Available Now Projects currently shipped and available on z/TPF



DF Encryption

Capability to automatically encrypt the z/TPFDF Database Automatic encryption of data when at rest No application changes required No data base downtime required Data encryption occurs at database level to enable successful audits for compliance

Java[™] Platform Standard Edition 8 now available on z/TPF. Develop new z/TPF service applications in Java or use existing third party Java programs.

Create new or extend existing z/TPF applications incrementally using Java without requiring any z/TPF knowledge

Run any Java package, third party or open source, on z/ TPF quickly

Develop on laptop and deploy to z/TPF

Attract new talent and enable immediate productivity in the z/TPF environment

High Speed Connector

Enables z/TPF application to send messages to servers in a more efficient way than heavierweight middleware

Efficient communication between z/TPF and local servers

Facilitate integration of z/TPF with hybrid-cloud environments

Manage connections with the ability to change network topology without changing applications

REST Server

TE Eligible

The defacto-standard way to expose z/TPF services to mobile and cloud applications Reduces the amount of coding needed to REST-enable a service

Standard tooling, based on OpenAPI, to quickly generate a REST service

Use IBM API Connect to query for available REST services



DFDL Enhancements

Describes binary data in a standard and platform independent way to easily expose and consume data between systems

A standardized way of describing data

Convert z/TPF binary data to XML/JSON on or off platform and vice versa

A powerful translation tool that can be used in applications as well as heavily leveraged by z/TPF



MongoDB Enhancements Enhancements to the standard MongoDB

interface for clients to access the z/TPF DF data Easy to define users and their authorizations using standard MongoDB administrator commands

Better diagnostics for the z/TPF support of MongoDB

z/TPF Enhancements

Reduce the time to IPL z/TPF

With fewer application changes necessary, instrumenting applications using ECB owner names becomes easier and therefore allows better understanding of resource consumption

Moving Forward Upcoming for z/TPF



NVPC

Provides insights about how z/TPF resources are being consumed

Identify system resource issues more quickly Understand the resource impact of code changes prior to deploying into production

Track and charge based on resource use

Predict resource impact of new workloads

Dynamic CPU Capacity

Allows a service provider to add CPU capacity without having an outage

Handle a sustained increase in workload without needing to take an outage

Maximize CPU resources in a shared CPU environment

Selectively run utilities even during peak volumes without impacting real-time transactions

Java Phase 2

Local Java[™] applications can call existing business logic on *z*/TPF and continue to take advantage of *z*/TPF's scalability and response times

Can use Java anywhere in the z/TPF application stack Leverage existing z/TPF code with little z/TPF knowledge and no changes to the existing z/TPF application

Monitor and receive alerts of abnormal conditions in the Java environment to quickly take corrective action

IBM TPF Toolkit

Eclipse-based IDE to develop and debug applications on *z*/TPF

Simplified installation mechanism - Unzip and go! Simpler to add Eclipse-based plug ins Improved reliability, availability, and usability Improved remote development via synchronized projects

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MongoDB Enhancements Shipped



Overview

Standard interface to access and update z/TPF data from other platforms

Value

Easy to define users and their authorizations using standard MongoDB administrator commands. Now takes seconds when it used to take days

Logging added for an audit trail of data changes

Reduces complexity of application development

Better diagnostics for the z/TPF support of MongoDB for problem diagnosis, unit testing, etc.

Learn More

Check out these posts about MongoDB on our z/TPF Blog



Using MongoDB in your Java Applications on z/TPF How to Use Logging for z/TPF Support for MongoDB

High Speed Connector Shipped



Overview

Highly optimized and simplified communication between z/TPF and local servers without need for heavy-weight and complex middleware

Value

Efficient communication between z/TPF and local servers

Facilitates integration of z/TPF with hybrid cloud environments

Simplifies application development: Because z/TPF manages network topology details, the developer no longer requires this knowledge to send messages

Enables load balancing and dynamically adding capacity to servers without changing applications

Optimized for Linux OS on z Systems™

Learn More

Read more about High Speed Connector in IBM's Knowledge Center



High Speed Connector

Java Phase 1 Shipped



Overview

Java[™] Platform Standard Edition 8 (Java SE 8) now available on z/TPF. Develop new z/TPF service applications in Java or use existing third party Java programs.

Value

Create new or extend existing z/TPF applications using Java without requiring any z/TPF knowledge

Run any Java package, third party or open source, on z/TPF quickly

Integration with existing z/TPF programs to enable incremental modernization to be done in place; No need to re-write an entire application in Java

Leverage z/TPF strengths such as database and networking

Portability enables code to be developed and tested in any preferred Java development environment; Develop on laptop and deploy to z/TPF!

Attract new talent and enable immediate productivity in the z/TPF environment

Learn More

Check out these posts about Java Phase 1 on our z/TPF Blog



z/TPF Support for Java is now available Using MongoDB in your Java Applications on z/TPF Sample Applications and Starter Kits for Java

DF Encryption Shipped



Overview

Capability to automatically encrypt the z/TPFDF Database

Value

Automatic encryption of data when at rest; Includes data on disk and data cached in memory on z/TPF No application changes required to enable support No database downtime to set up or change encryption support Data encryption occurs at database level to enable successful audits for compliance Optional data integrity checking to detect accidental or malicious data corruption Leverages highly efficient cryptography hardware

Learn More

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z/TPFDF Encryption Support

REST Server Shipped



Overview

Expose z/TPF services as REST APIs quickly using standard tooling which can then be easily consumed by mobile and cloud applications

Value

Expose existing z/TPF services via REST as well as new services written in Java

Quickly generate a REST service using tooling based on Swagger / OpenAPI

Reduces the amount of coding needed to REST-enable a service by eliminating the need for user code to process HTTP, JSON, or XML

Easily generate REST client code needed to invoke services in any language that supports REST (C++, Java, Python, Perl, etc)

A developer can use IBM API Connect to query what REST services are available on a given z/TPF system for a given user

Attract new talent and enable immediate productivity in the z/TPF environment

Learn More

Check out these additional links about REST server



REST Support on Knowledge Center Creating Native REST artifacts for z/TPF

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Integrated with new technologies on z/TPF such as Data Events, MongoDB, REST, and Java

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Learn More

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DFDL on Knowledge Center

NVPC Name Value Pair Collection Futures



Overview

Provides insights about how z/TPF resources are being consumed by application package, message type, and end user

Value

A coverage programmer can quickly identify the cause of system resource issues

An application developer can understand the resource consumption impact of code changes prior to deploying into production

An IT provider can track and charge based on resource use

A capacity planner can better predict resource impact of new workloads or changes in usage of existing workloads

Not only are the possbilities endless, this can also be used in production with minimal impact

Pre-requisite

Requires IBM Application Discovery Intelligence

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Value

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Java can read and make complex database updates locally

Monitor and receive alerts of abnormal conditions in the Java environment in order to take corrective action within five minutes

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