

# IBM z16 and Hybrid Cloud with z/TPF

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# Agenda

- z16 benefits for z/TPF clients
- Some z16 data for all you nerds out there
- Halftime Show
- Why z16 is built for Hybrid Cloud
- When, why, how Hybrid Cloud

# IBM z16 is built to build

We built a powerful and secure platform for business.  
Let's build the future of yours.



Predict and Automate for Increased Decision Velocity



Secure with a Cyber Resilient System



Build a Sustainable Infrastructure



Modernize with Hybrid Cloud

# Where Are You in Your AI Journey

- **43%** accelerated their rollout of AI as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic
- **Data Security** is the biggest area of AI investment in the next 12-24 months
- **49%** say getting insights where and when they are needed is a big challenge
- Over **90%** of companies using AI say their ability to explain how AI arrived at a decision is critical
  
- Top reasons why companies are investing in automation tooling:
  1. Driving greater efficiencies
  2. Cost savings
  3. Faster problem resolution
  4. Giving valuable time back to employees to work on other tasks

74% of companies are exploring or deploying AI



# IBM z16 Integrated Accelerator for AI (AIU)



Industry first integrated on-chip AI accelerator designed for high-speed, latency-optimized inferencing

## Accelerated AI at scale

Up to **300 billion** deep learning inference requests per day with 1ms response time

## Speed to scale with transaction volume

Up to **19x higher throughput** and **20x lower response time** **co-locating** applications and inferencing

## Real-time insights when you need them

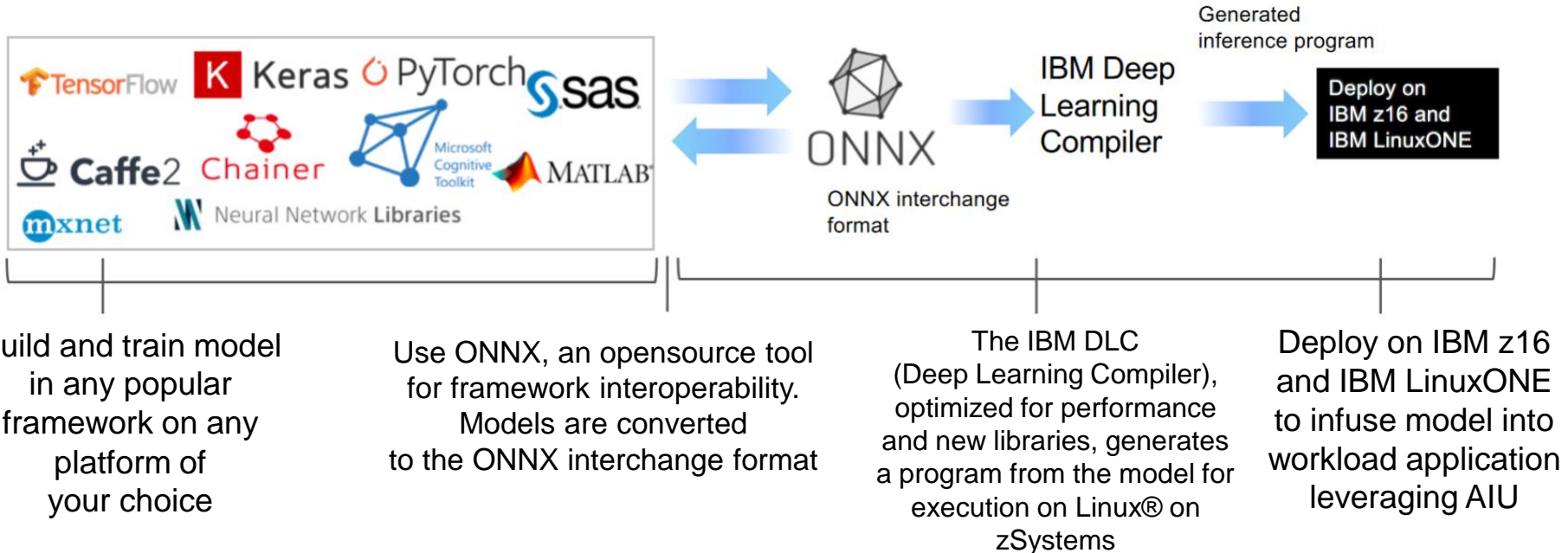
Infuse AI into **every transaction** while still meeting the most stringent SLAs

## Improve business outcomes

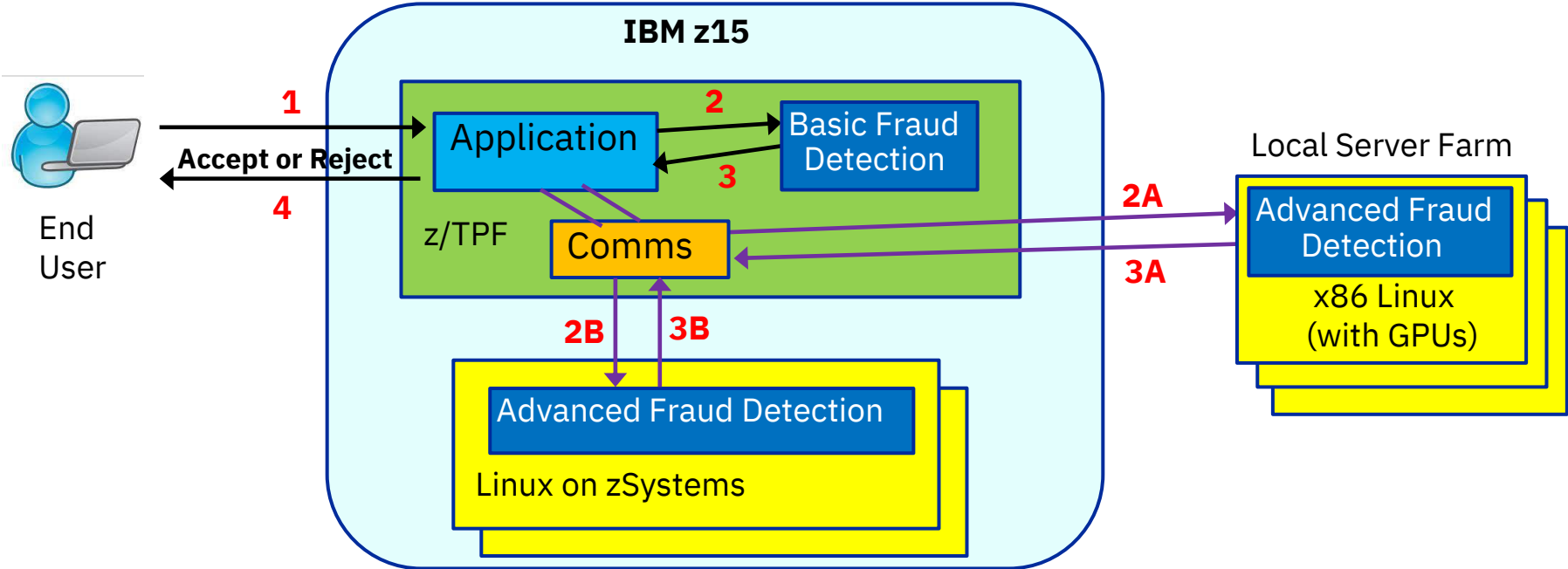
Scoring 100% of transactions can **reduce fraud loss by over \$100M** per year for a large bank

# Seamlessly Leverage AI Accelerator on IBM z16

- Bring machine learning & deep learning models to IBM z16 with ONNX/DLC
- Exploit IBM Integrated Accelerator for AI (AIU) for best inference performance
- Repeatable practice for different vendors to leverage IBM z16 and AIU

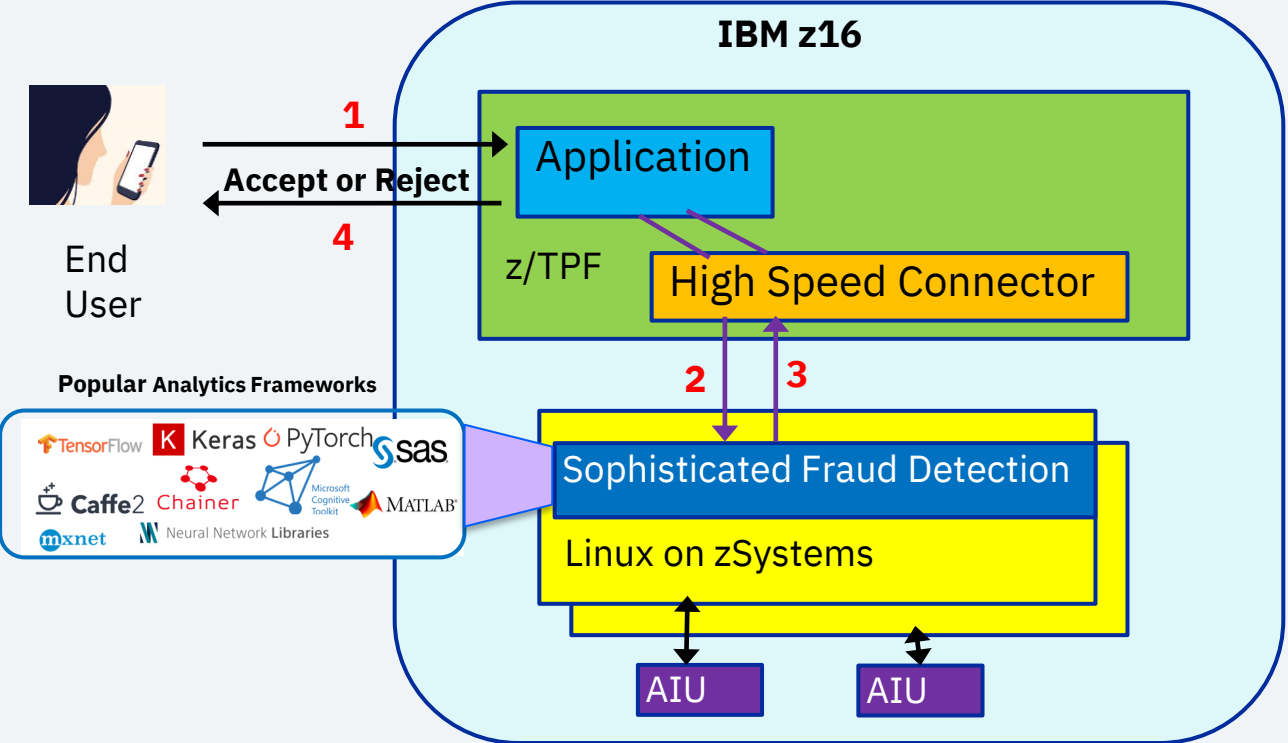


# Before: Real-Time Fraud Detection



Basic checks done on z/TPF. More advanced Fraud Detection code was created and deployed on Linux servers, but only a **subset** of transactions used that because of cost and response time SLAs.

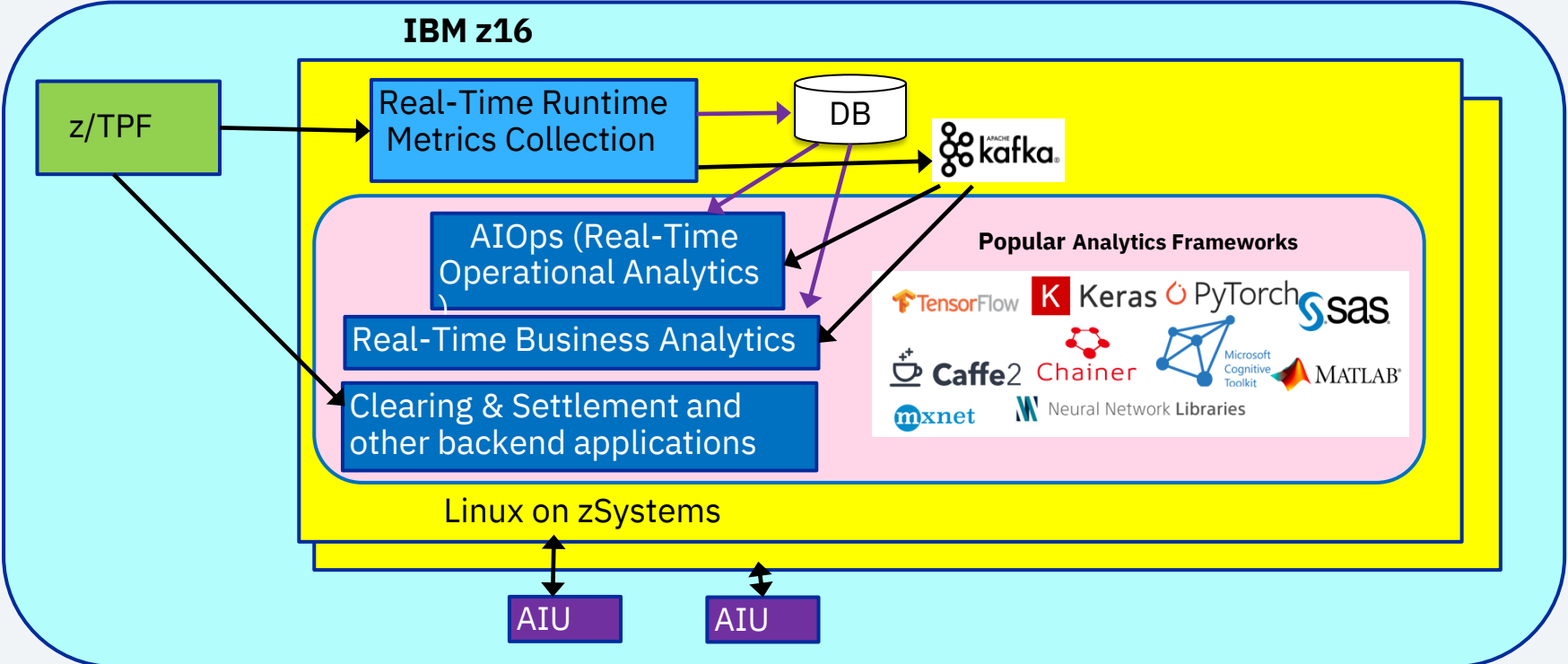
# Now: Real-Time Fraud Detection



Do advanced Fraud Detection on **every** transaction leveraging popular AI frameworks and on-chip HW AI acceleration (AIU) to scale and meet your response time SLAs.



# Also Leverage AIU for Post-Transaction Processing and AIOps



# z16 Security Highlights



- **Industry-first cyber resilient system**
  - Multiple layers of firmware secured with dual-signature scheme including a quantum safe algorithm
- Secure memory (transparent memory encryption)
  - 8-channel RAIM (50% less overhead\*)
- HW accelerated **quantum safe symmetric key cryptography** (AES-256)
  - Over **700K operations per second per I-stream** on z/TPF with 4K data size (22% increase\*)
  - 28% higher throughput for 1000-byte messages over TLS on z/TPF\*
- New Crypto-Express8 adapter for HW accelerated RSA operations
  - Requires z/TPF APAR PJ46507 (April 2022)

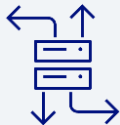
# Business Continuity is a Key Aspect of Cyber Resiliency



## Proactive Outage Avoidance

With extreme weather events becoming more and more frequent, a proactive approach to delivering continuous service is needed.

You need to be able to migrate your critical workloads to an alternate site **before** your business gets impacted.



## Disaster Recovery and DR Testing

In the event of an unplanned outage, including cyber attacks, the ability to **rapidly restore** operations and service is paramount.

The ability to test that **production workloads can be shifted** and run at full capacity is critical for ensuring continuous availability during unplanned outages is key



## Business Continuity Compliance

Regulation around business continuity and disaster recovery policies are increasing and becoming more stringent.

These regulations mandate that businesses be able to switch over full production loads to a secondary data center and **operate there for extended periods of time.**



## Site Facility Maintenance

Site facility and building maintenance is an ongoing activity for businesses. Upgrading for health, environmental, and safety purposes or other improvements **sometimes requires closures.**

The ability to continue to provide 24x7 service to your customers is more important than ever.

# IBM z16 Flexible Capacity for Cyber Resiliency



Designed to help organizations proactively reduce the impact of downtime by dynamically shifting their critical workloads to an alternate site for business continuity

## → Greater Flexibility

**Dynamically shift production capacity** between z16 systems at different sites.

Can be used for proactive outage avoidance, business continuity compliance, disaster recovery and DR test scenarios.

Be confident that production workloads can be seamlessly shifted to an alternate site and **still meet production SLAs.**

## → Complete Client Control

Remotely transfer capacity – **no on-site personnel required** after initial set up.

Flexibility over duration of capacity transfer, production **can remain at the alternate site for up to one year.**

Integrates with System Recovery Boost for **faster system and workload startup**

## → Simplified Compliance

Simplify business continuity **compliance and improve audit readiness** by using the **same procedures for both for DR testing and real unplanned disasters.**

Test recovery procedures for unplanned outages to provide near-continuous availability and disaster recovery.

# An Outdoor Hot Tub in the Middle of Winter



**Great for the legs after  
a full day of skiing**



**Watch that electric  
meter spin**

# Sustainability is a Rapidly Growing Area of Focus

- Over **2,500 climate laws and policies** exist worldwide
- 86% of companies have a **sustainability strategy**, but **only 35% have acted** on them
- 51% of CEOs name **sustainability as their greatest challenge** for their organization over the next 2–3 years
- If you don't know what **ESG** is yet, you will



# Which Architecture Would Mother Nature Choose



- OR -



**z16 Server running z/TPF,  
consolidated Linux servers, or both**

**Thousands** of x86 servers

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## Reduction in:

- **Electricity consumption**
- **Floor space**
- **Software costs**
- **CO<sub>2</sub>e footprint**

## And as added bonuses:

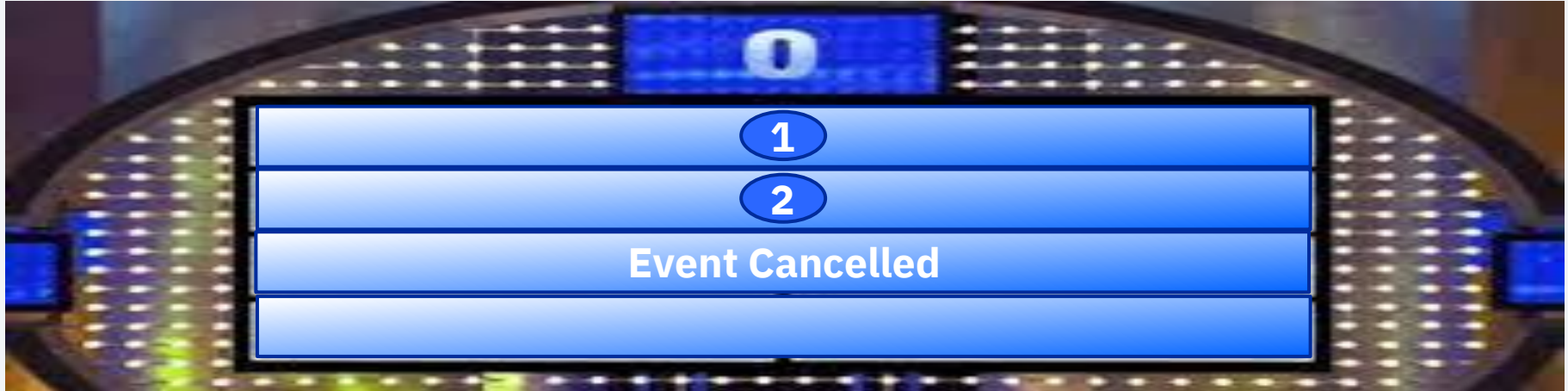
- **Better performance**
- **More secure**
- **More reliable**
- **Easier to manage**



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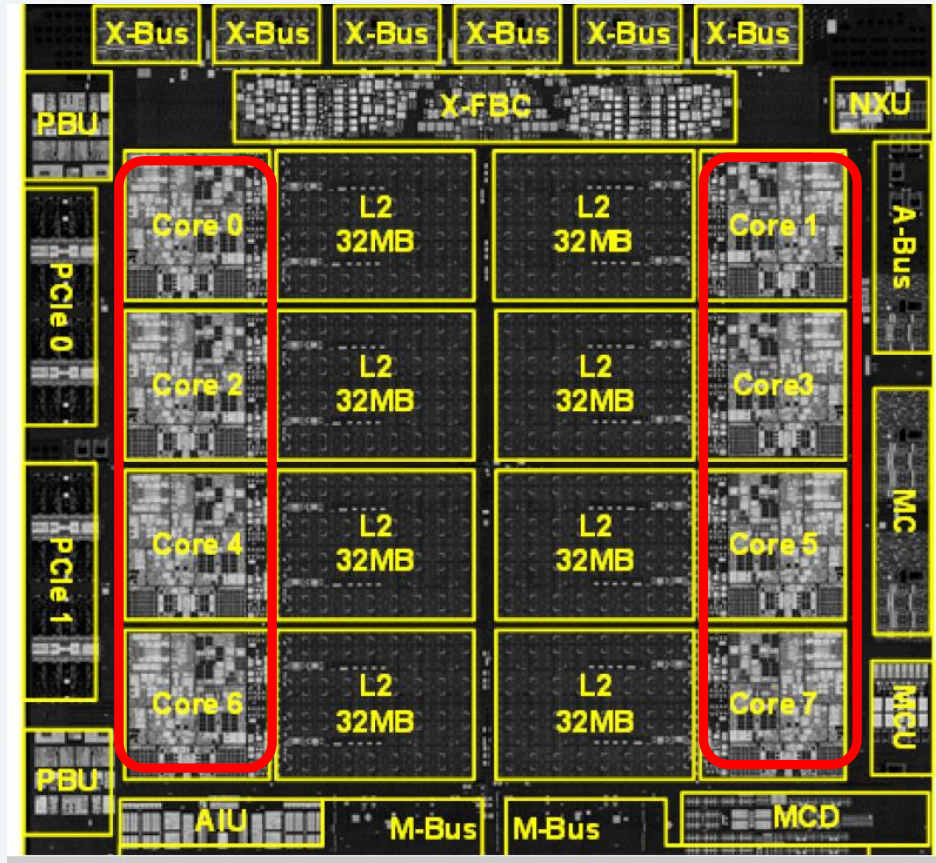
Capacity on Demand - Most IBM z16 and LinuxONE servers have dark cores that can be enabled to **turn on extra CPU capacity that exists in the boxes you already have!**

# z16 CPU and Memory Improvements (Compared to z15)

- 11% more CPU capacity per core\*
- **25% more CPU capacity per drawer\*** (Large single LPAR growth)
- 40% more CPU capacity in maximum configuration\*
- Redesigned memory cache with flatter topology
  - **Faster data access (50% more memory cache capacity per core)**
  - Reduced average access latency
  - Semi-private L2 per core, virtual L3 per chip, virtual L4 per drawer
- Up to 32TB of memory per LPAR (100% more)

\* Based on published processor ratings, your results may vary

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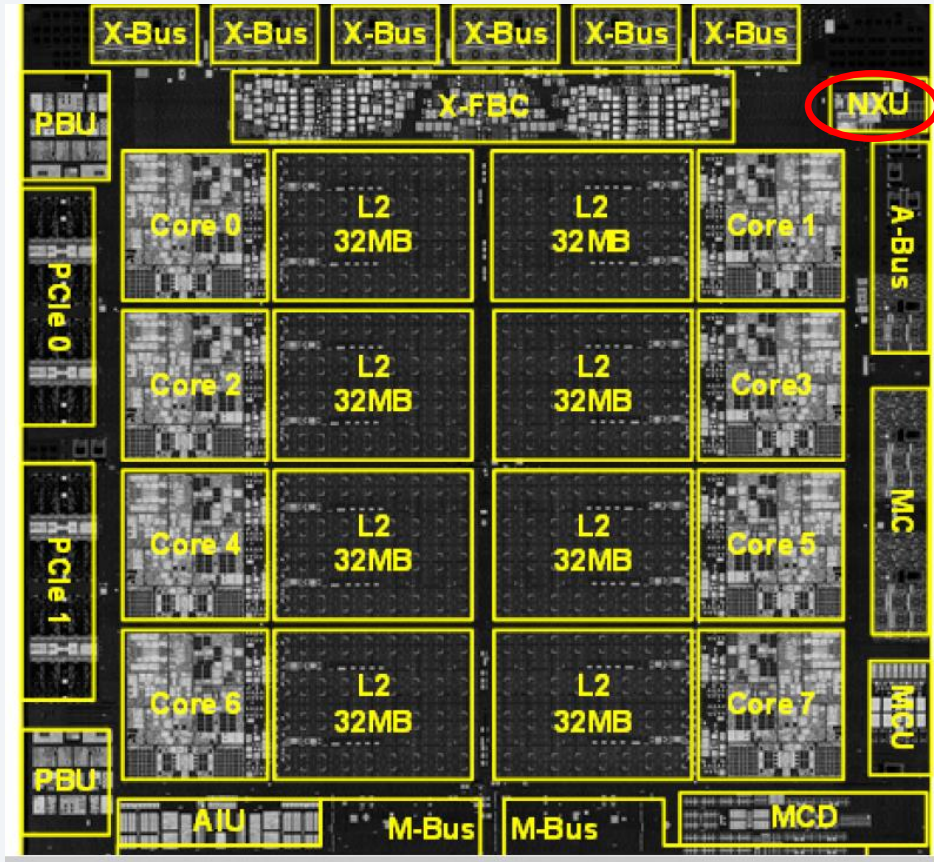
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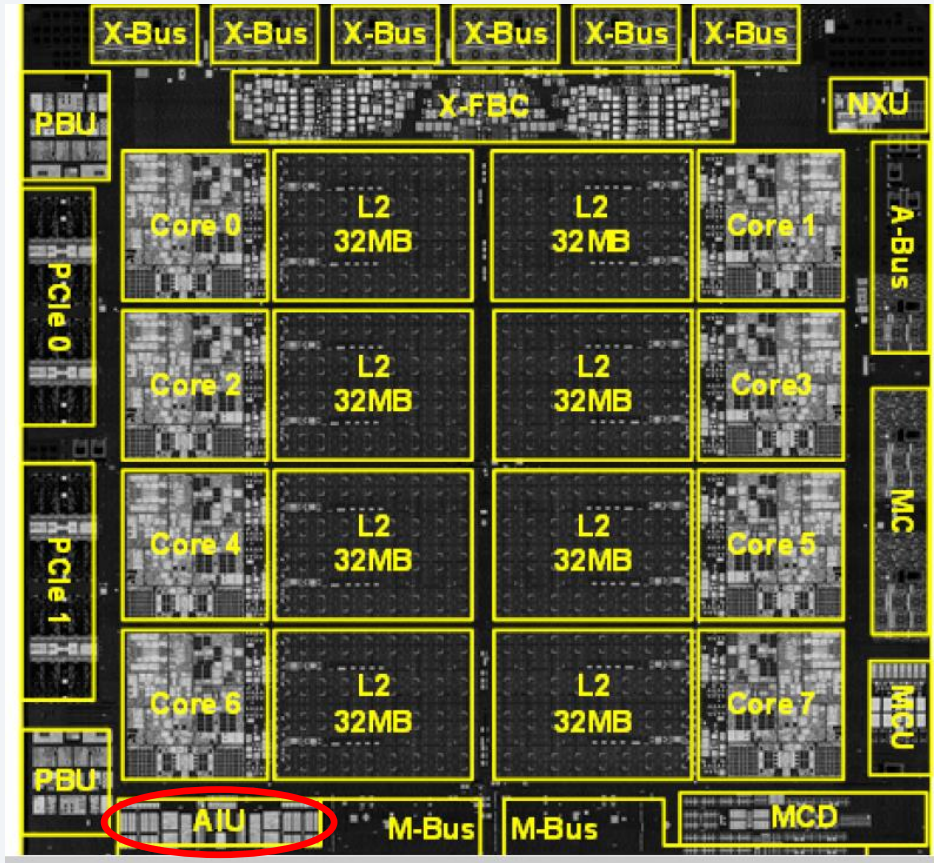
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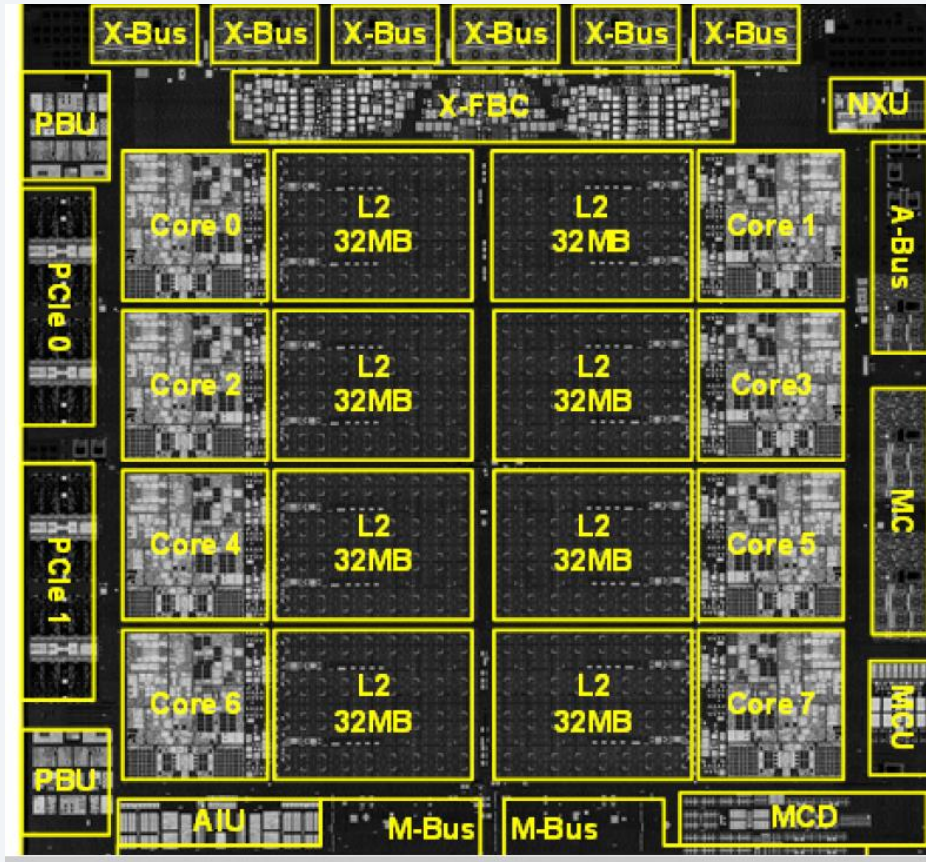


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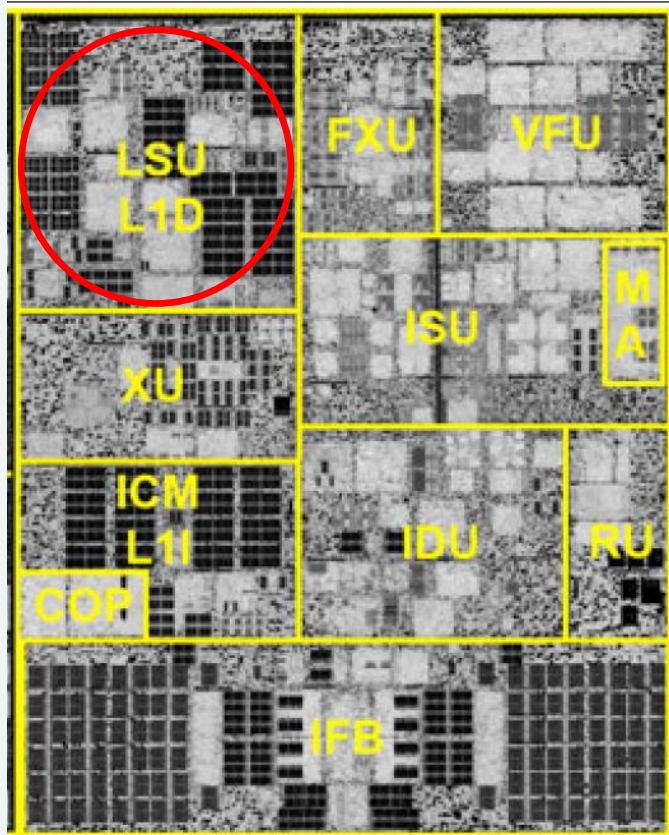
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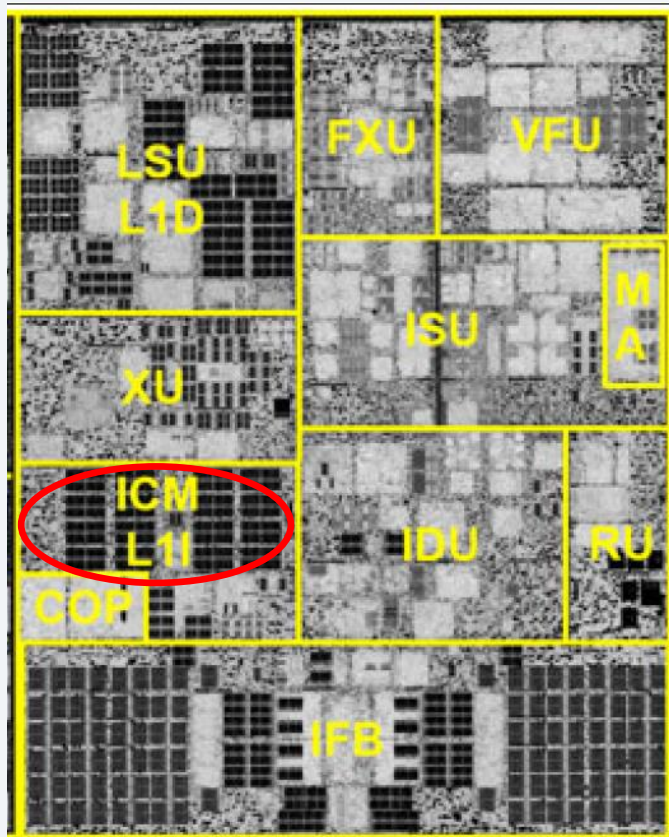
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- **22.5 billion transistors on each Dual Chip Module (DCM)**

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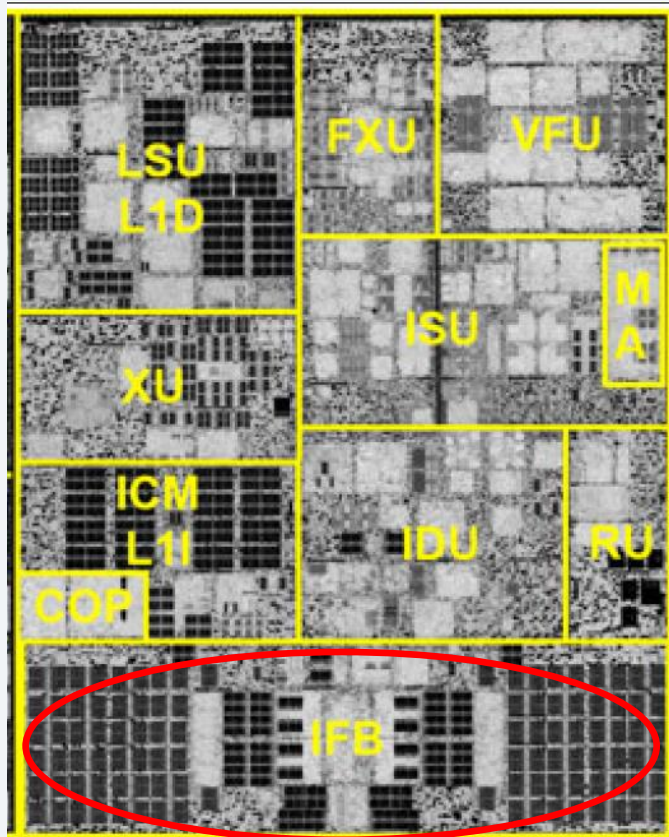
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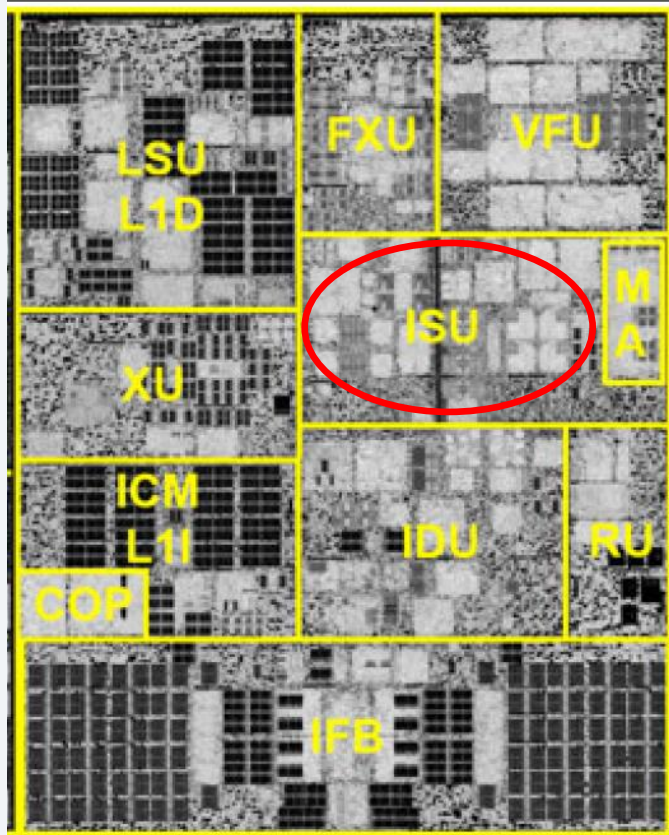
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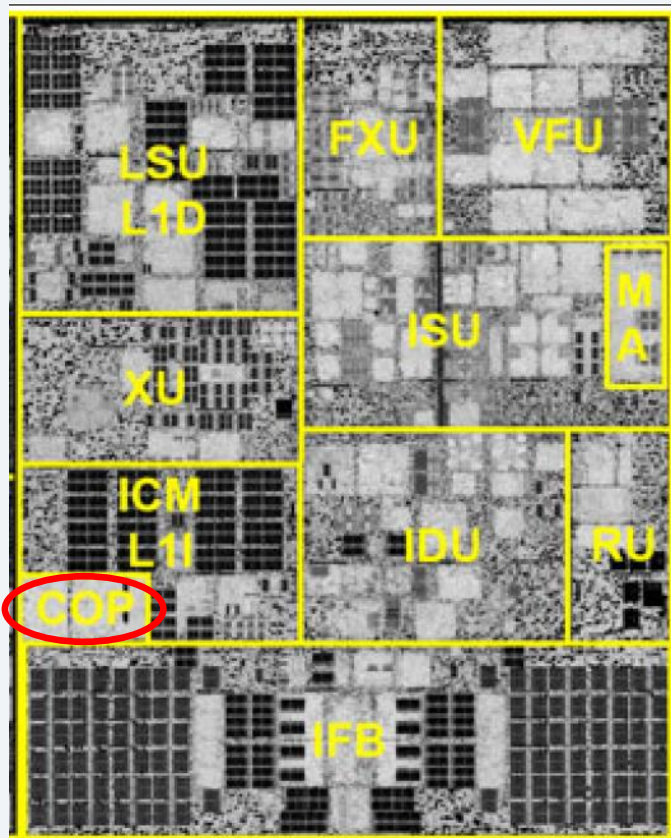
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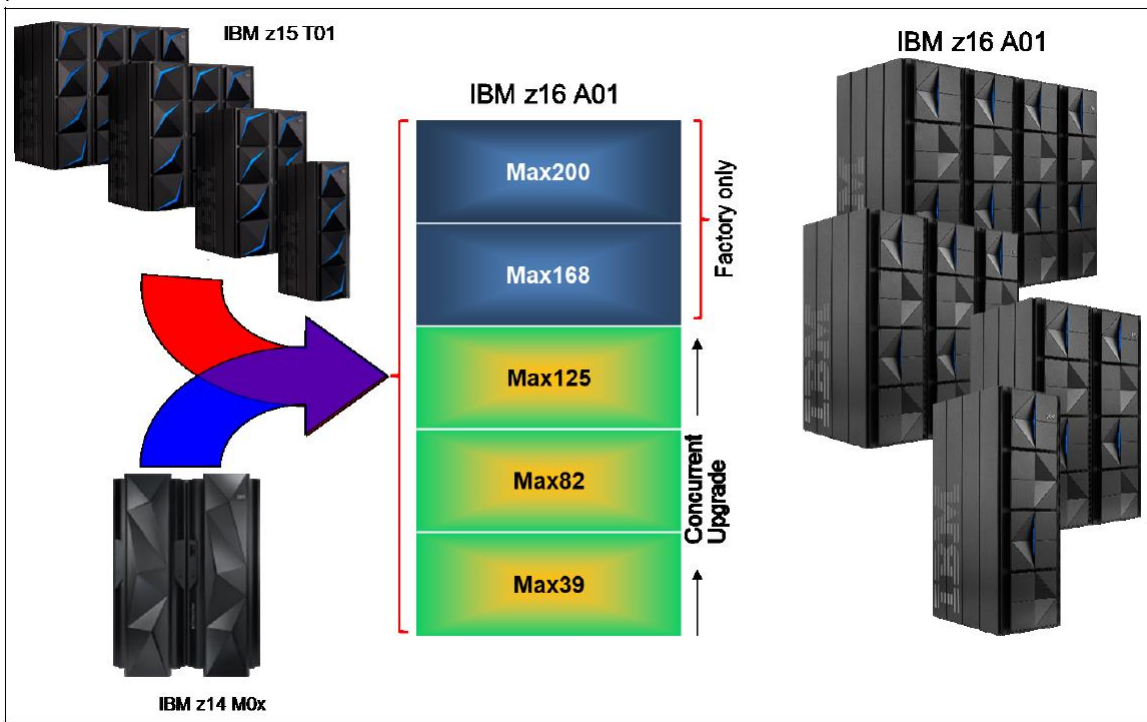
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- **Crypto HW accelerator on chip**
  - **Central Processor Assist for Cryptographic Functions (CPACF)**

# z16 Models and Upgrade Options

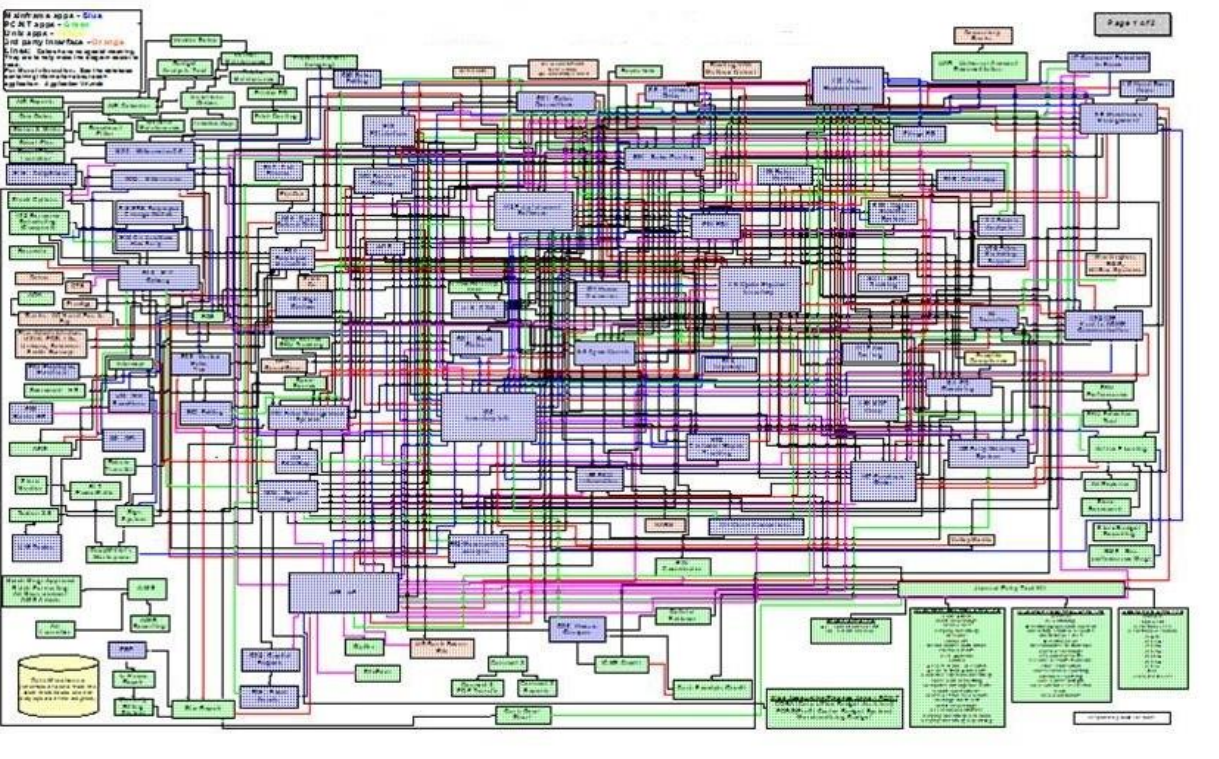


Model	Cores	Drawers	Memory
Max39	Up to 39	1	Up to 10TB
Max82	Up to 82	2	Up to 20TB
Max125	Up to 125	3	Up to 30TB
Max168	Up to 168	4	Up to 40TB
Max200	Up to 200	4	Up to 40TB



# Halftime Show

# Eventually Your Architecture Looked Like This



Networks, switches, and servers, oh my!

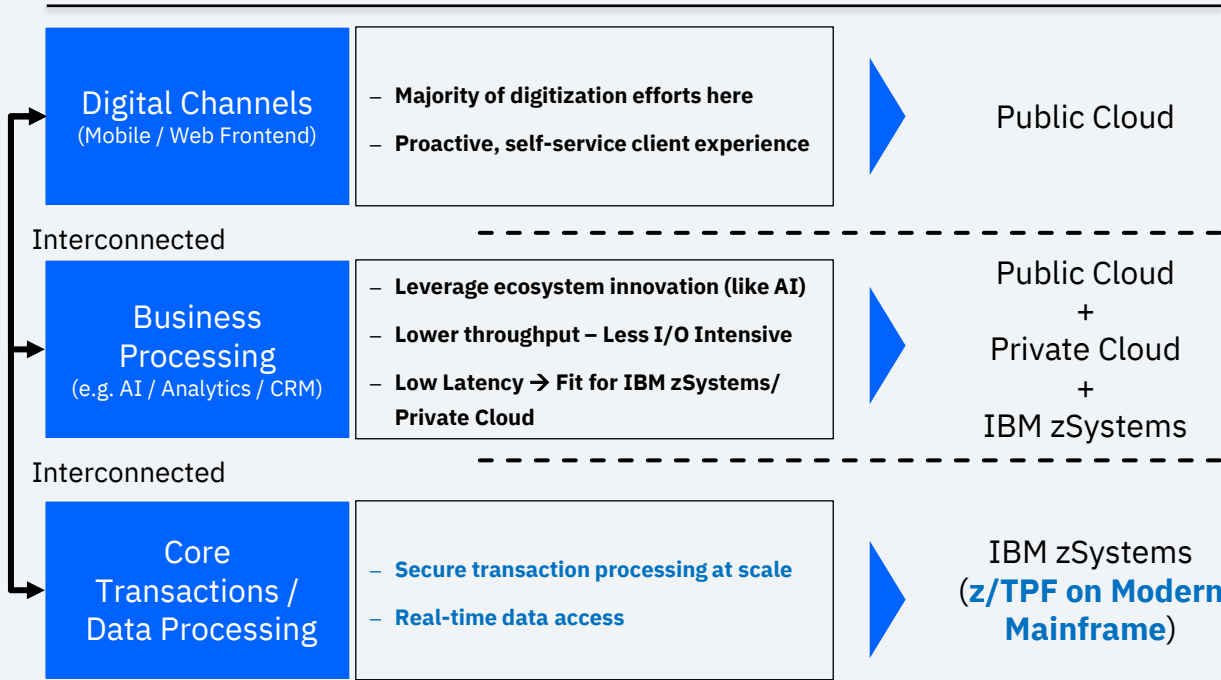


# What Do The Following Statements Have in Common

- Texas is not that big
- Everyone attending the TPFUG is in bed by 8PM
- Every workload should run on IBM zSystems
- Every workload should run in the cloud

**They are all wrong!**

# Deliver Digital Innovation without Sacrificing Performance or Resilience



**Fit-for-Purpose** - Choosing the right platform based on workload requirements is critical first step to modernization

**IBM zSystems delivers the scalability, and availability required for core systems ... while cloud brings the innovation for digital channels and analytics. Private Cloud can be x86 or Linux on zSystems**

**Critical to ensure workloads across different platforms are seamlessly interconnected – at the app and data layer**

**Modernization = Hybrid Cloud = zSystems AND Cloud, not either or**

# President Biden Visits IBM Poughkeepsie (Oct 6, 2022)



“**IBM has more patents** than any other U.S. company – than any other”

“**It’s here at this factory where America’s future is literally being built** because of the groundbreaking CHIPS and Science Act ”

“As we saw during the pandemic **when factories** that make these chips **shut down** around the world, **the global economy, literally, comes to a screeching halt.**”

# If I Had a Nickel for Every Time I've Heard...



# Claim 1: My Pilot Project to Move One Workload to Cloud was Successful; therefore, I Can Move Everything to Cloud

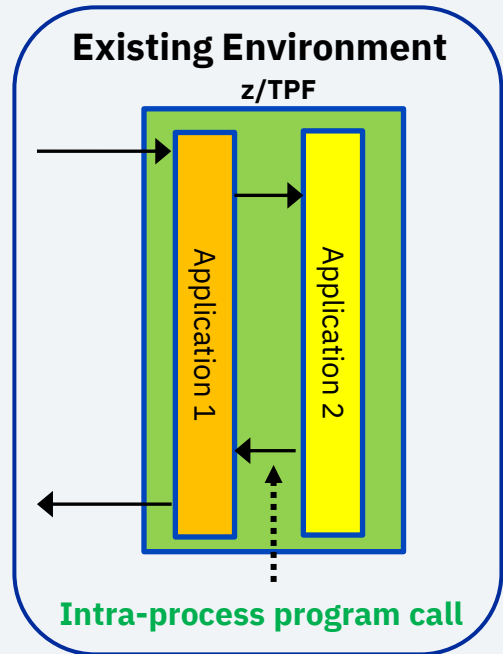
Digging into the details, that pilot workload...

- Was written decades ago when zSystems was the only option
- Throughput is measured in transactions per **minute**
- Database profile is predominantly **read-only**
- Is the only application that uses this database
- Is **not OLTP**

**Reality** - Core zSystems workloads...

- Have transaction rates **1000x** higher with demanding **response time SLAs**
- Are **write-intensive** updating multiple databases in an **always consistent** manner
- Have databases shared by multiple applications, all of which need to be **co-located** to meet SLAs

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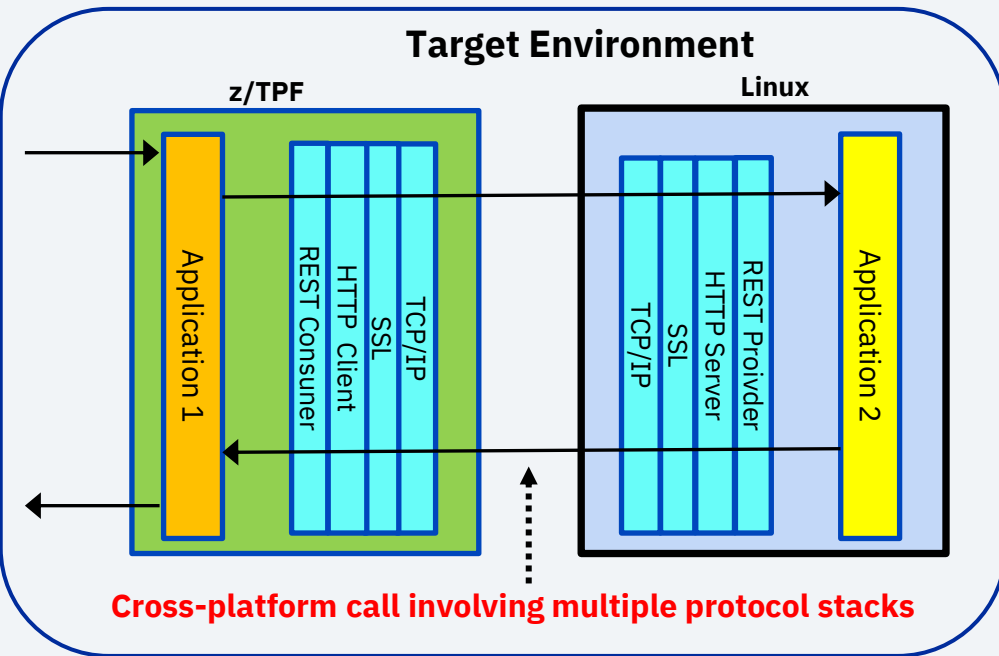
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Simple Example, Single Call



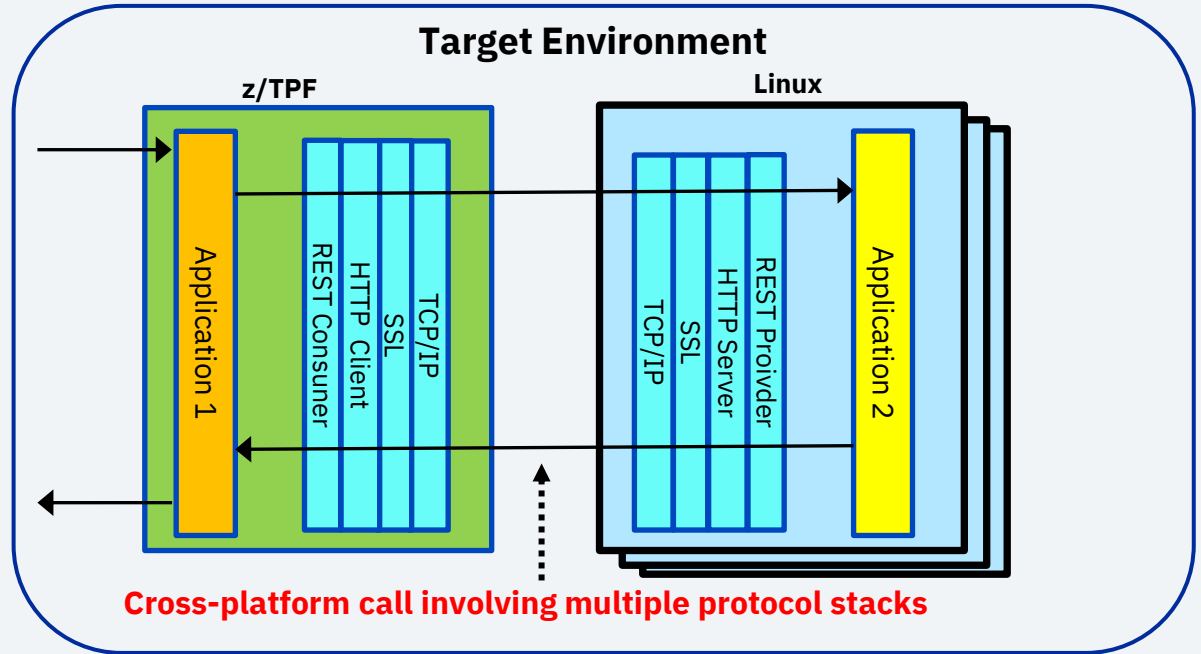
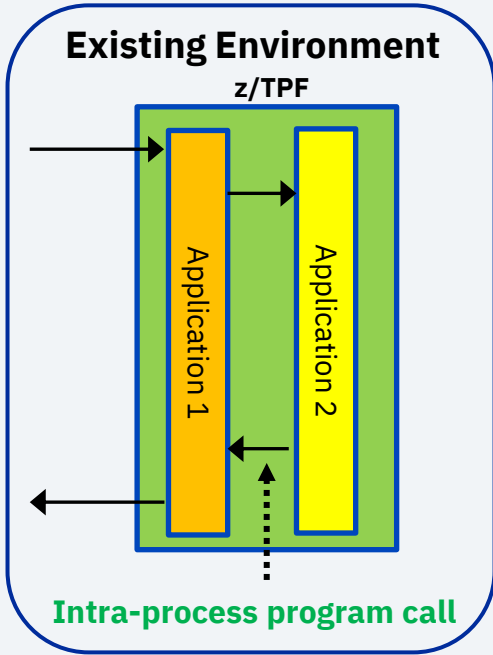
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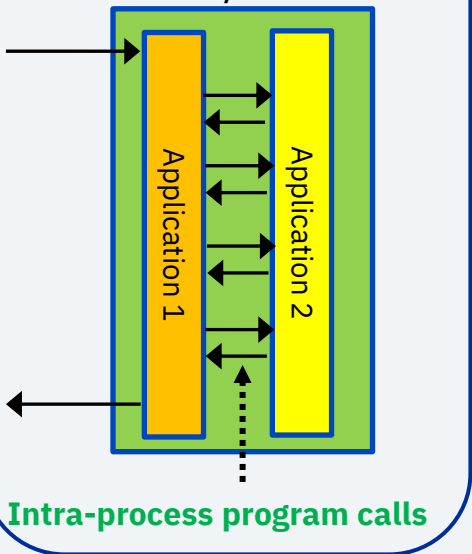
## The Reality

- CPU costs on z/TPF and overall **IT costs can go up**
- Have **another platform to manage**, including High Availability (HA), D/R, security, network
- **More complex environment**, more components that could fail, harder to debug

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## Existing Environment

z/TPF

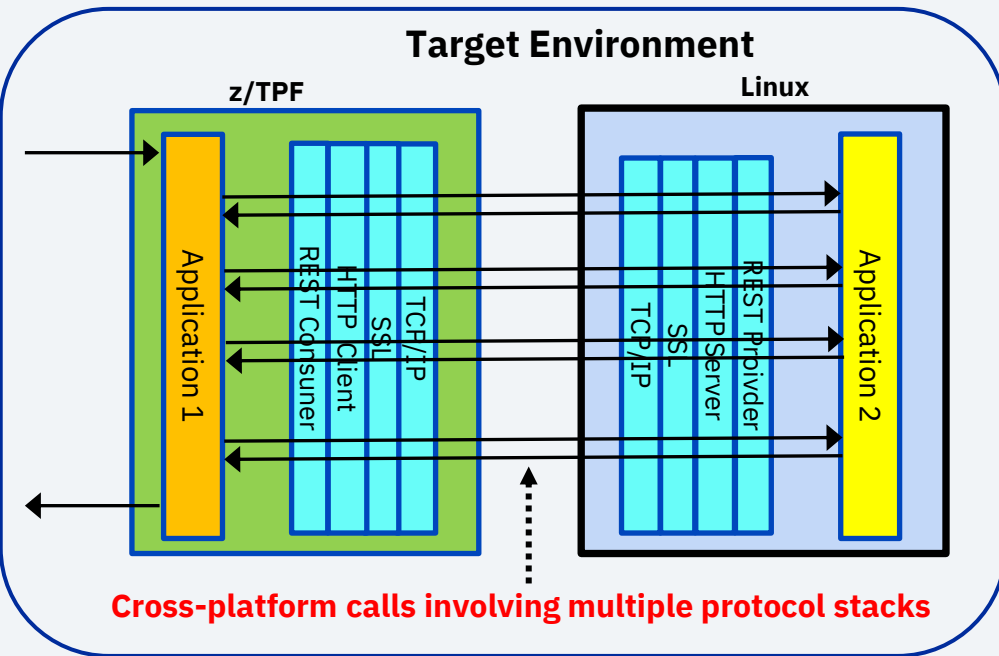


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More Complex Example, Chatty Application Makes Multiple Calls

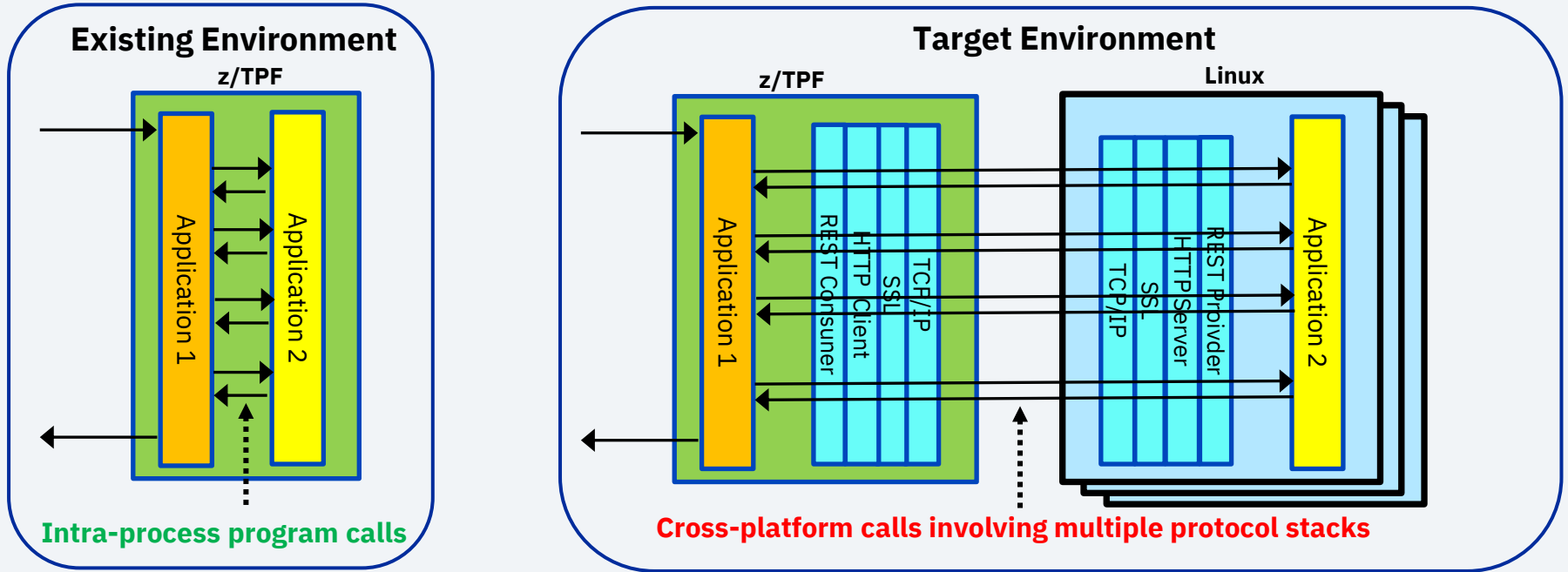
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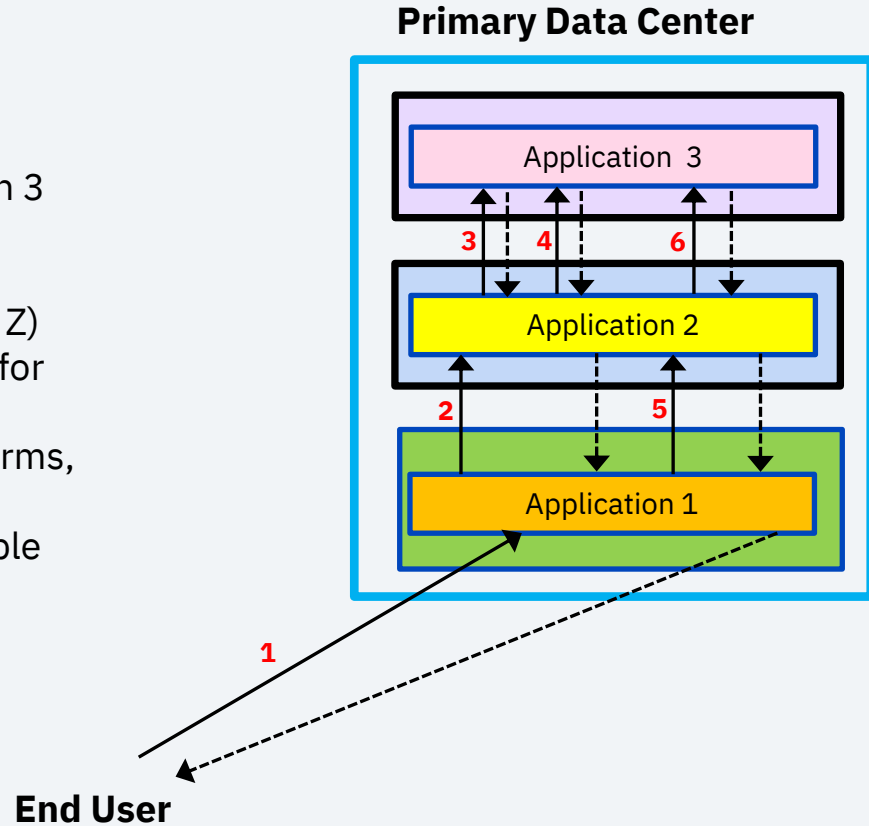
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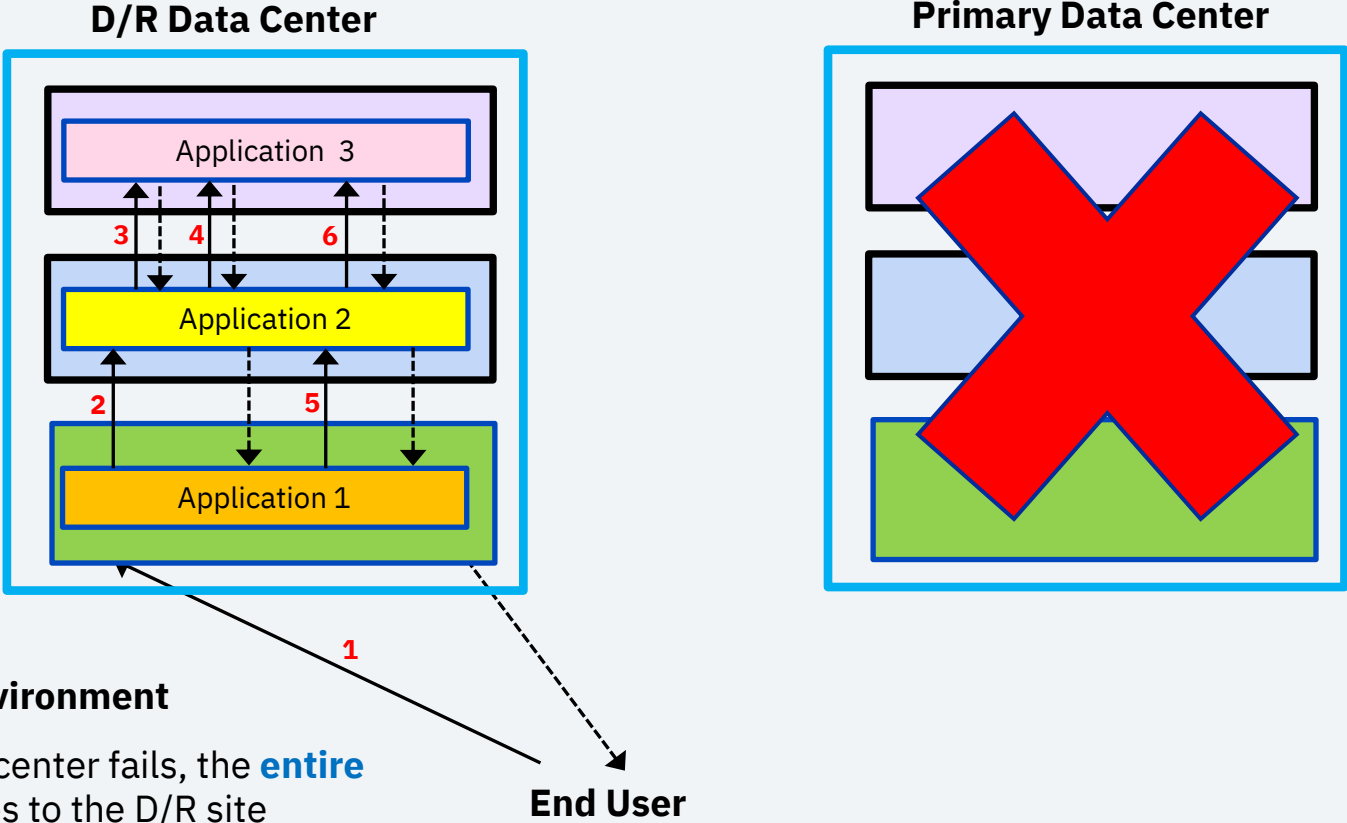
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## Existing Environment

- Real-time (latency-sensitive) workload
- Transaction involves services (applications) on 3 different platforms in the data center
  - These platforms can be private (on prem) cloud or zSystems (z/TPF, z/OS, Linux on Z)
  - Each platform can have multiple servers for high availability and ability to scale
- Diagram illustrates 5 API calls between platforms, but in reality there could be dozens of calls
- Co-location of the platforms enables acceptable transaction response time and ability to meet SLAs



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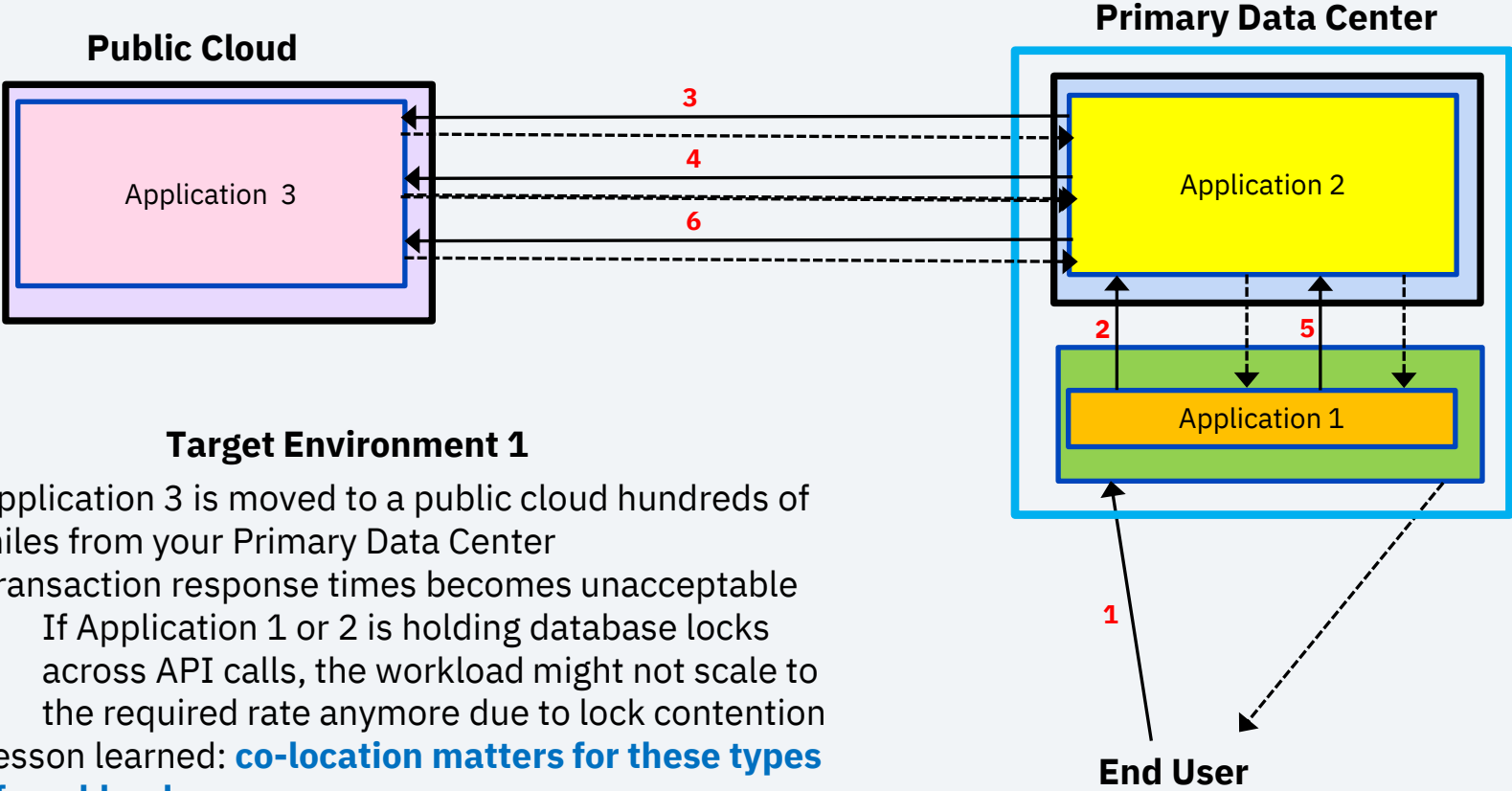


## Existing Environment

If primary data center fails, the **entire workload** moves to the D/R site

**End User**

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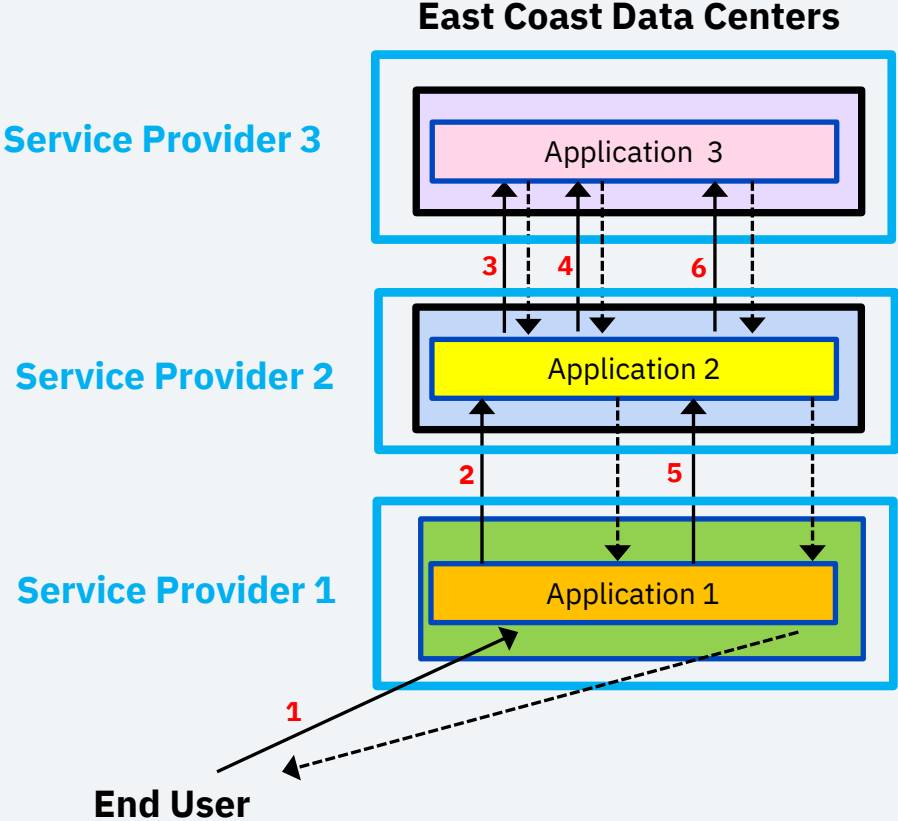
- Application 3 is moved to a public cloud hundreds of miles from your Primary Data Center
- Transaction response times becomes unacceptable
  - If Application 1 or 2 is holding database locks across API calls, the workload might not scale to the required rate anymore due to lock contention
- Lesson learned: **co-location matters for these types of workloads**



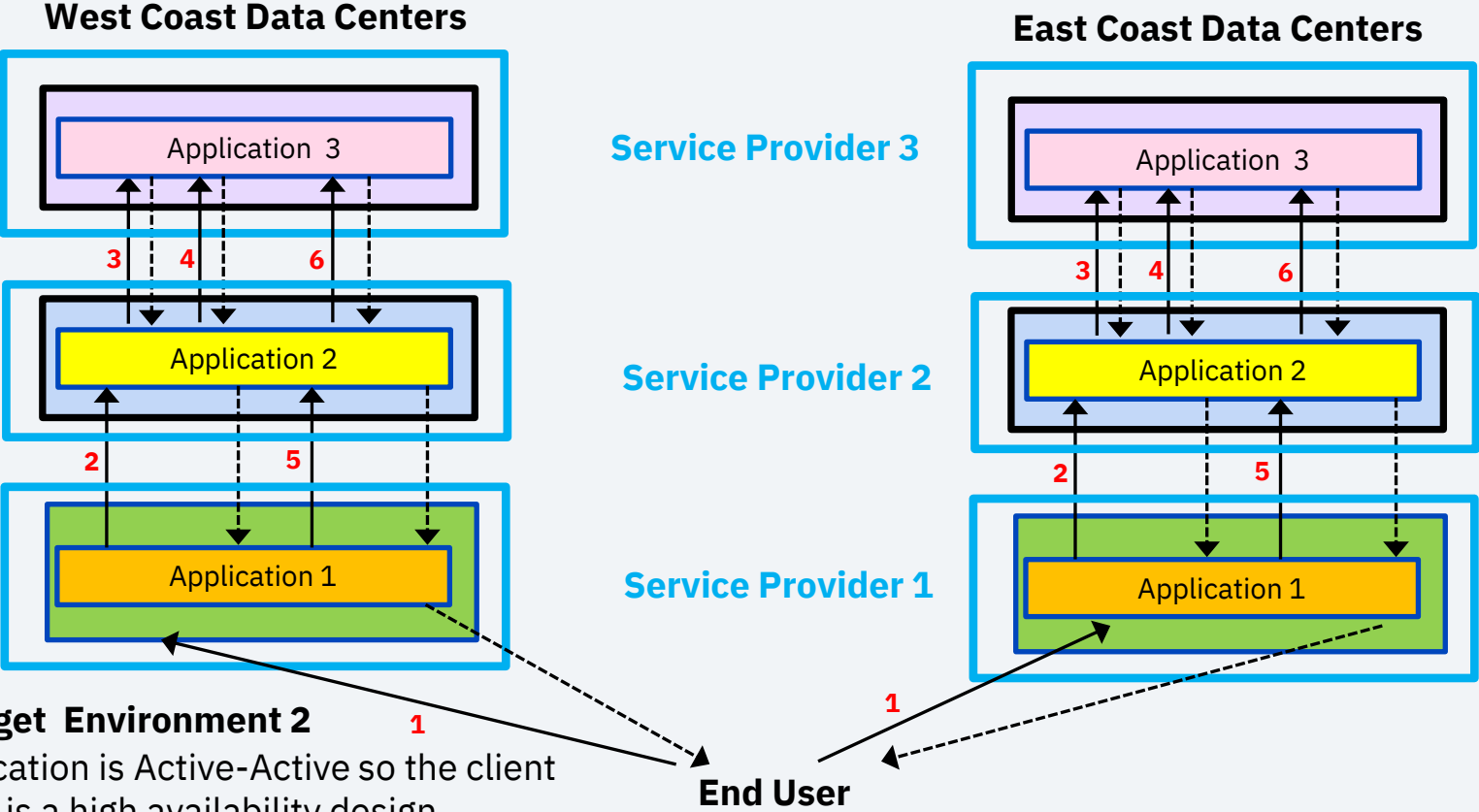
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## Target Environment 2

- Applications are moved to 3 different service providers
- Assumes the 3 data centers are close enough in proximity to meet transaction response time and other SLAs for this workload

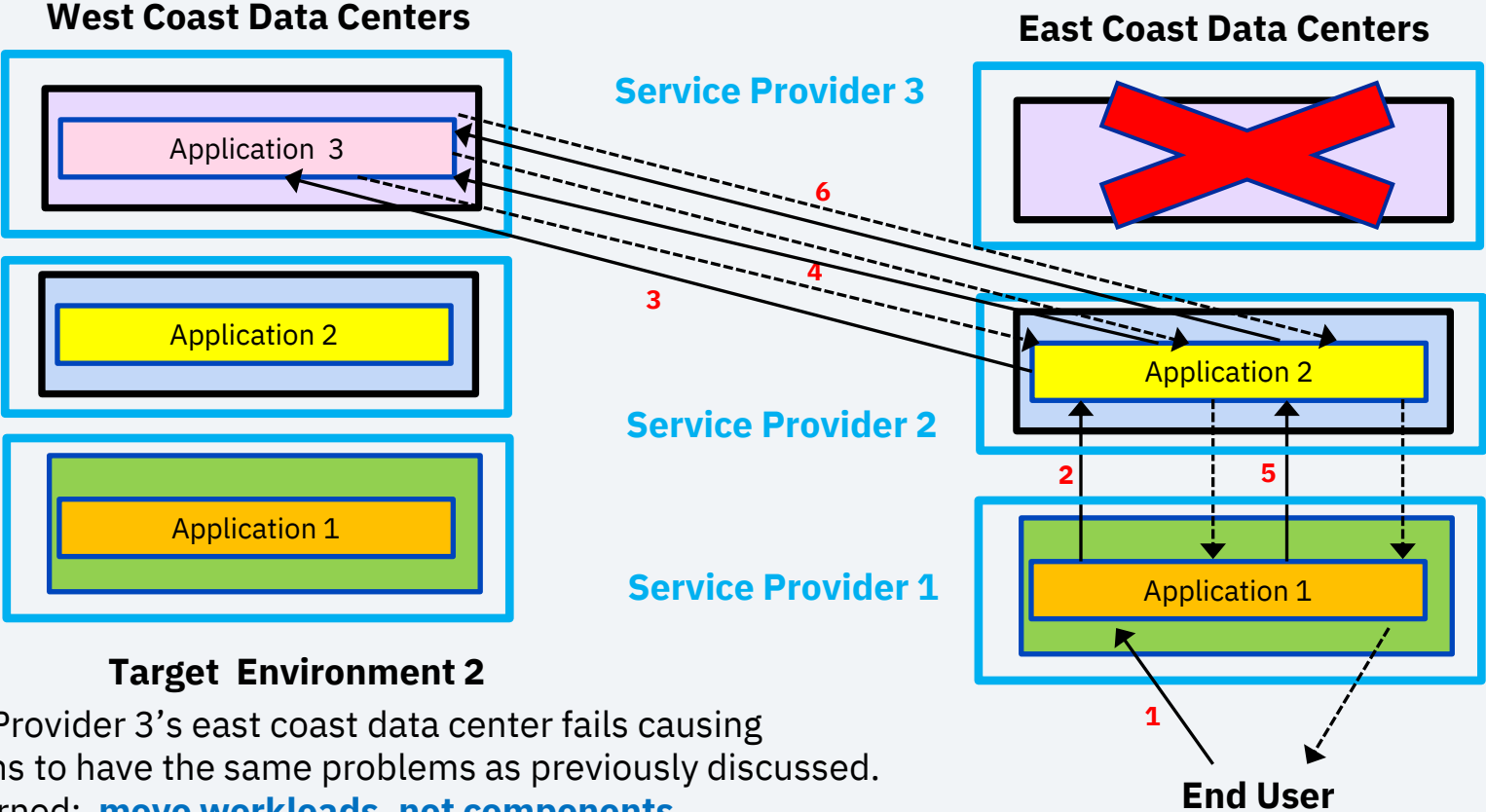


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Each application is Active-Active so the client **thinks** this is a high availability design...

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## Target Environment 2

... Service Provider 3's east coast data center fails causing transactions to have the same problems as previously discussed. Lesson learned: **move workloads, not components**

# The Number One Rule

## Real Estate



A similar house in a different location can **cost significantly more** and have different qualities of life

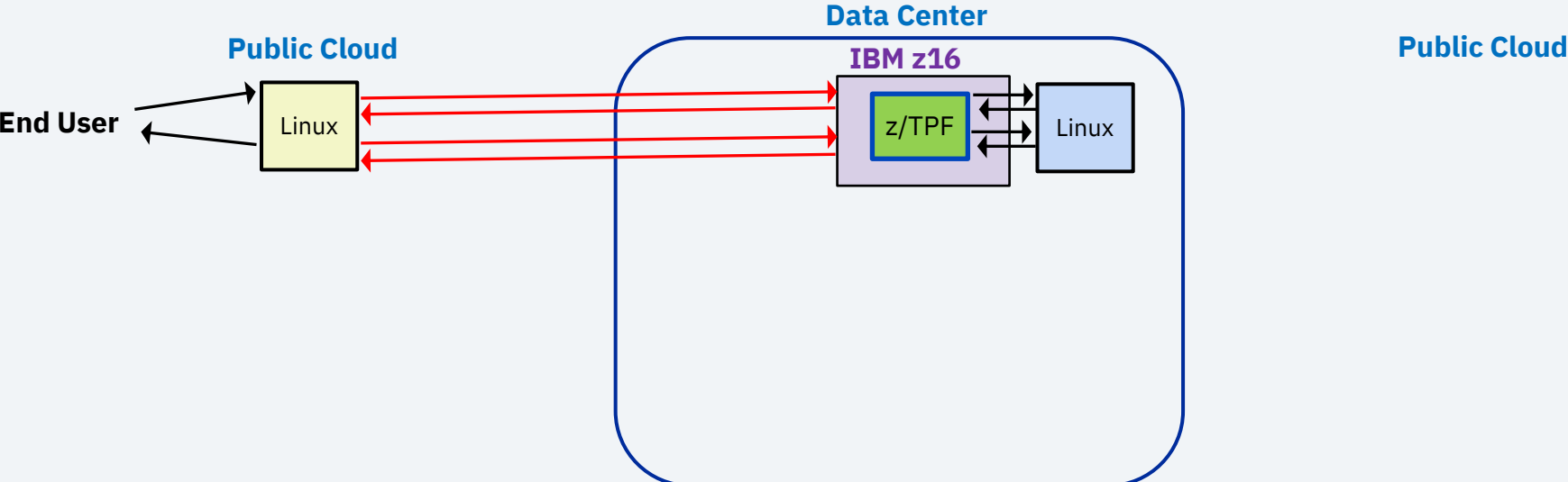
## High-Volume OLTP Workloads



The same workload in a different architecture can **cost significantly more** and have **lower qualities of service**

Important to **co-locate** the **latency sensitive** parts of the workload

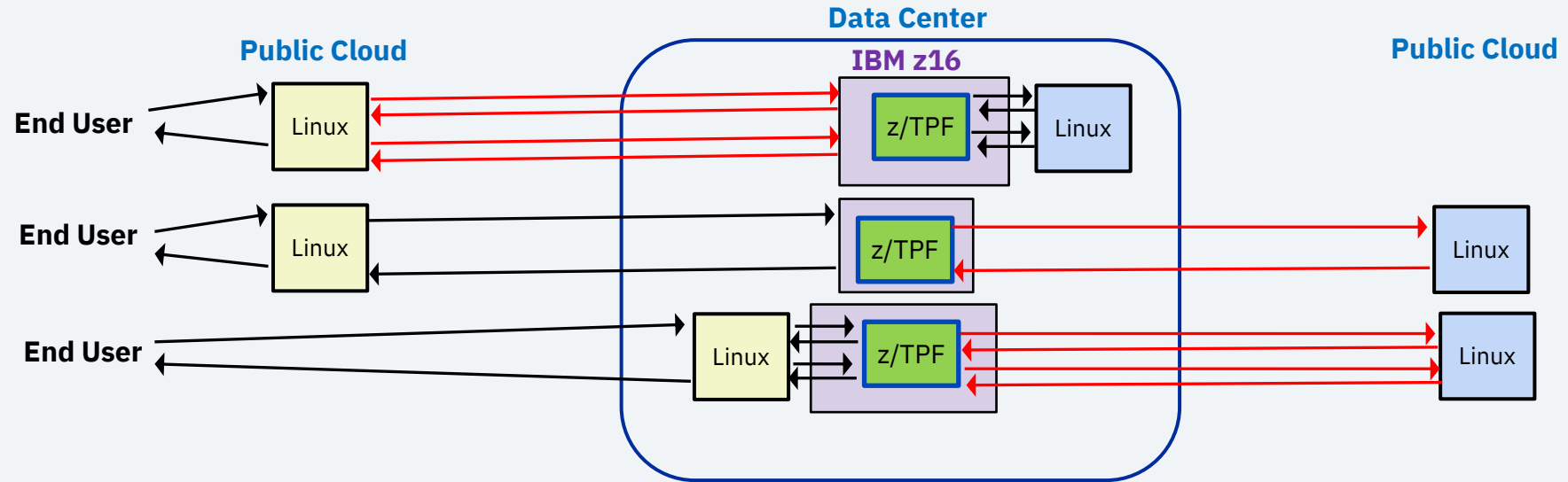
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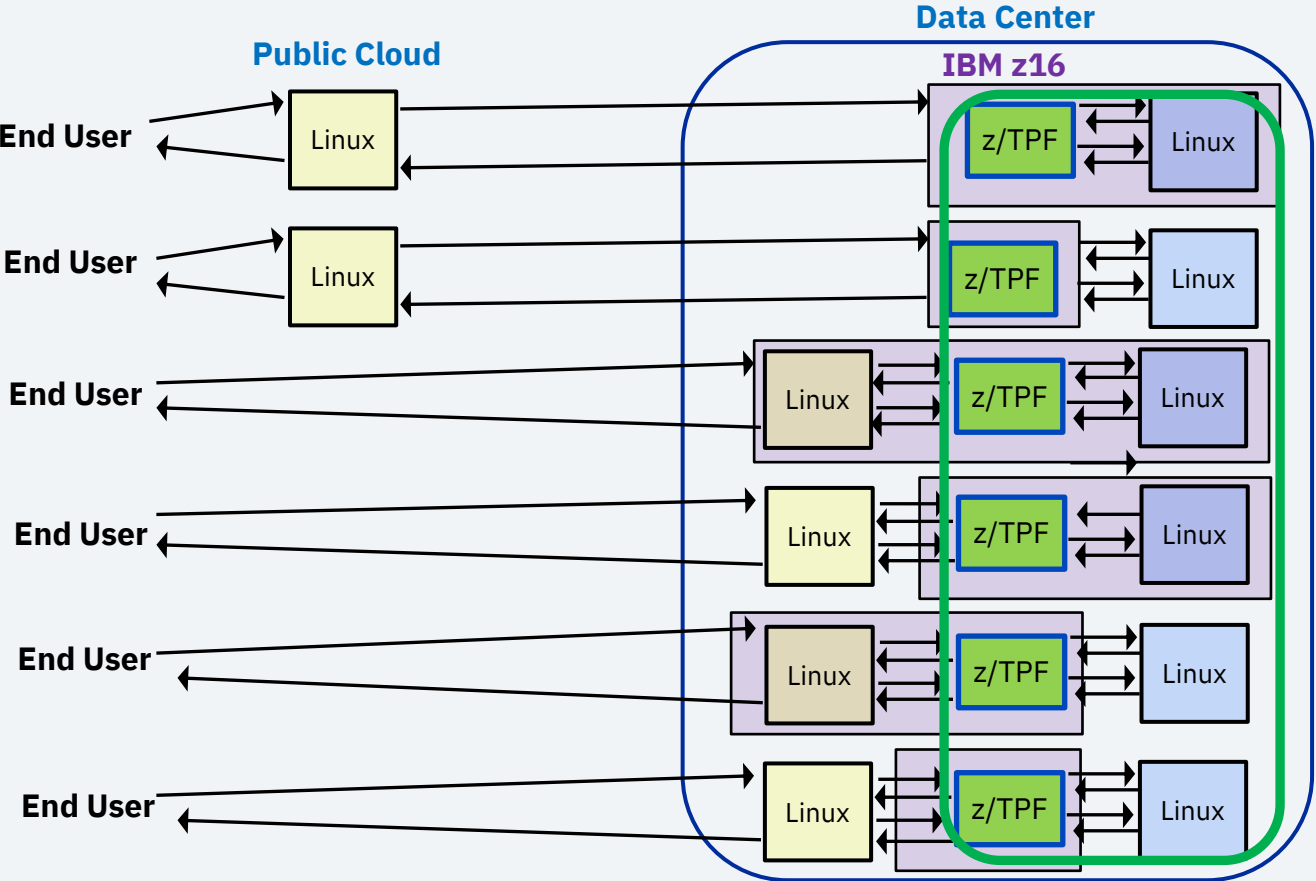
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2. Services consumed by z/TPF **transactions** are in public clouds.
  - Post-transaction data feed from z/TPF (via Business Events, Kafka Producer, and so on) to data and event consumers **can be** in public cloud or on prem

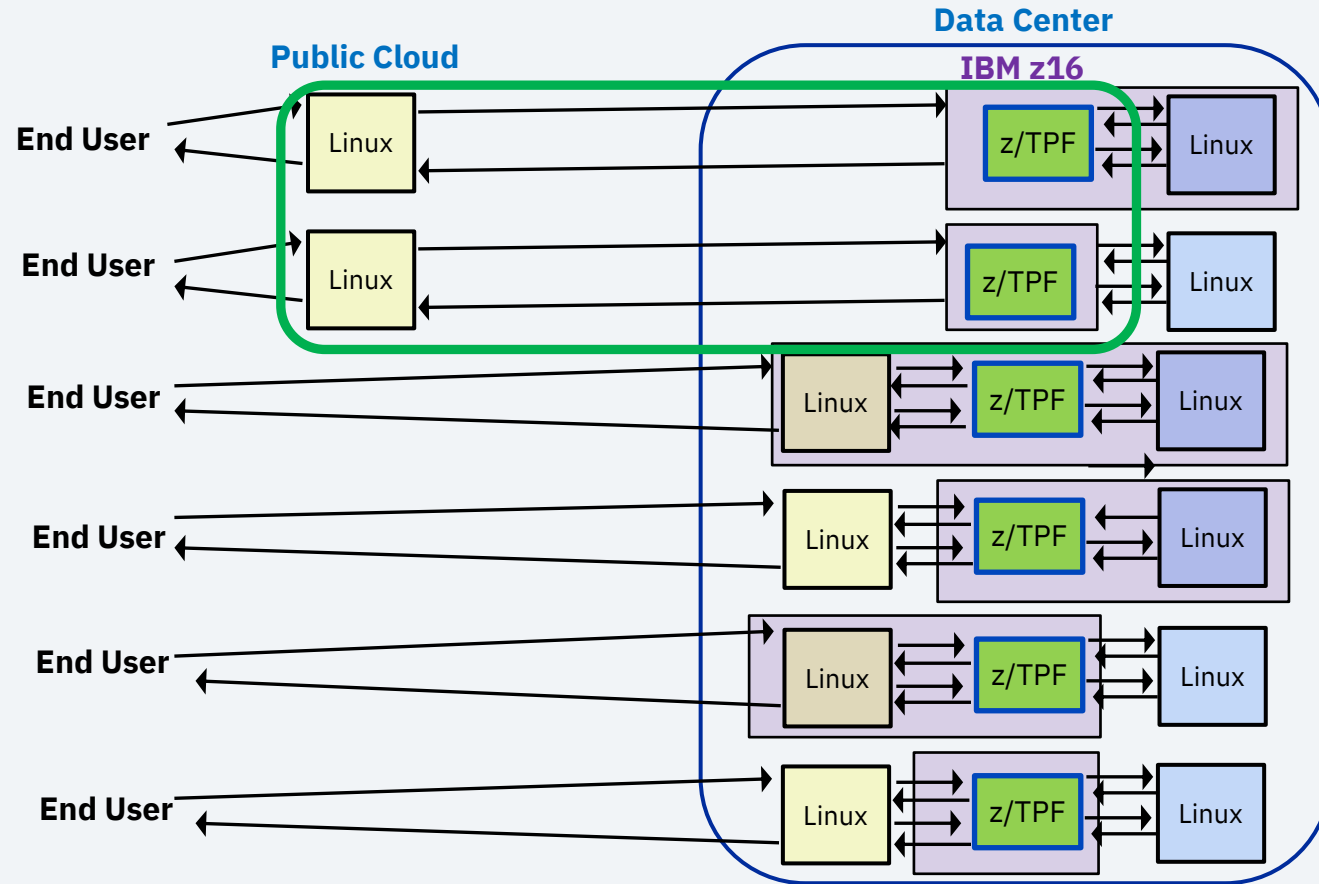
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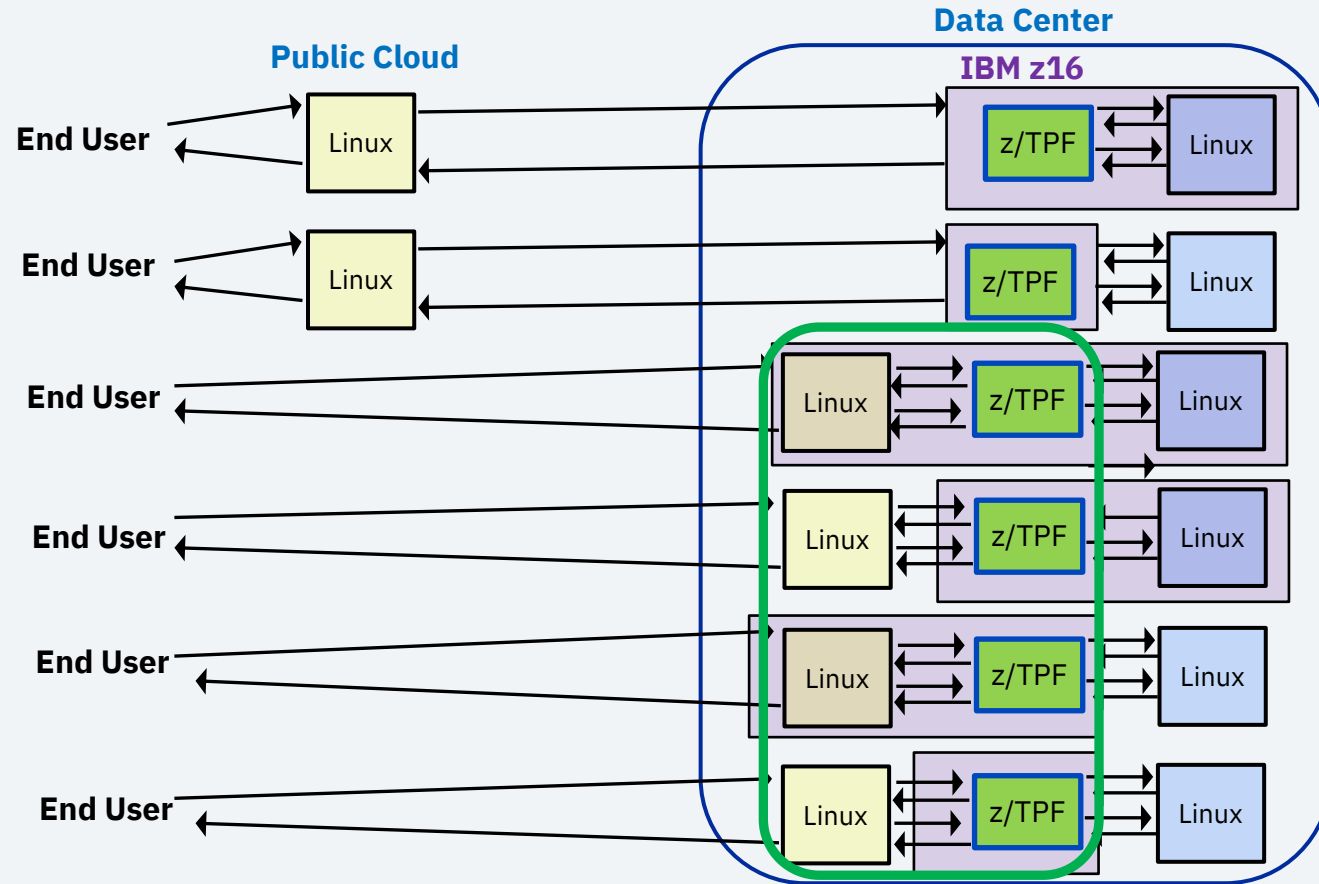


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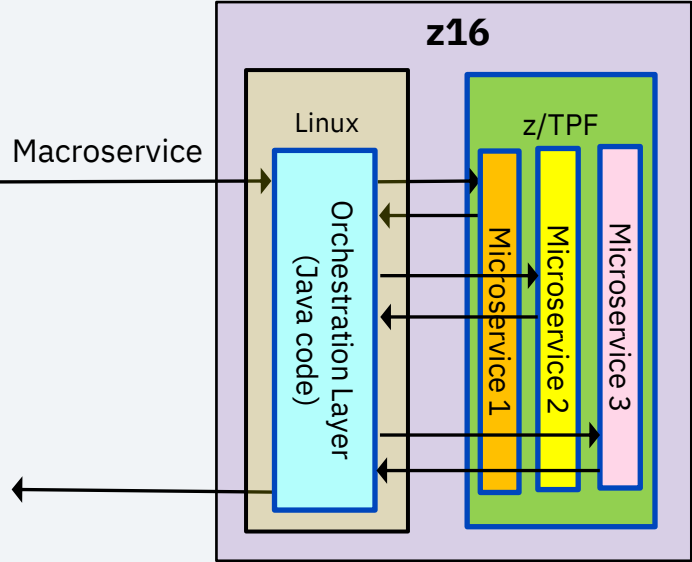
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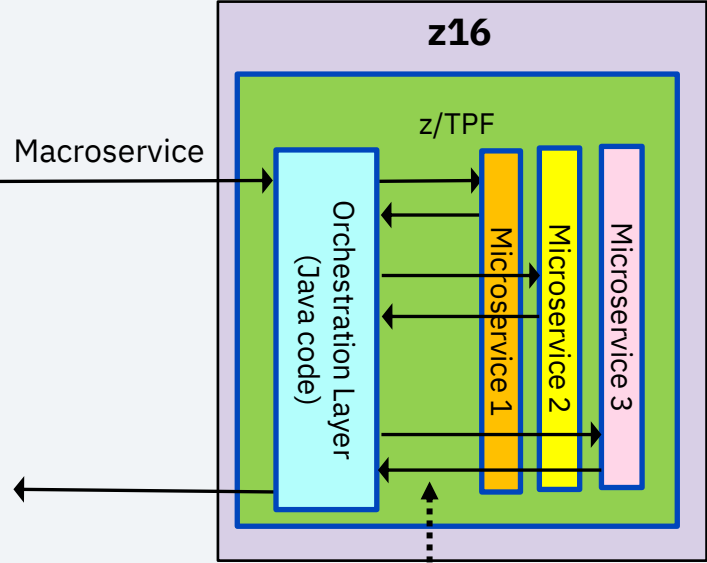
# Further Optimization Leveraging Java Support on z/TPF

- Expose a **macroservice** externally that drives many **microservices** on z/TPF
- If that orchestration layer is written in Java, move that into z/TPF to reduce latency and costs

**GOOD**



**BETTER**



**Optimized local calls**

# Summary

## IBM z16



**Predict and Automate for Increased Decision Velocity (AI)**



**Secure** with a Cyber Resilient System



**Build a Sustainable** Infrastructure



**Modernize with Hybrid Cloud**

## Architect a Hybrid Cloud solution...

That leverages the strengths of zSystems **and** cloud

**Capable** of scale, resiliency, failover, DR

**Optimized** for performance, latency, availability, security, cost, manageability

# Thank you

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