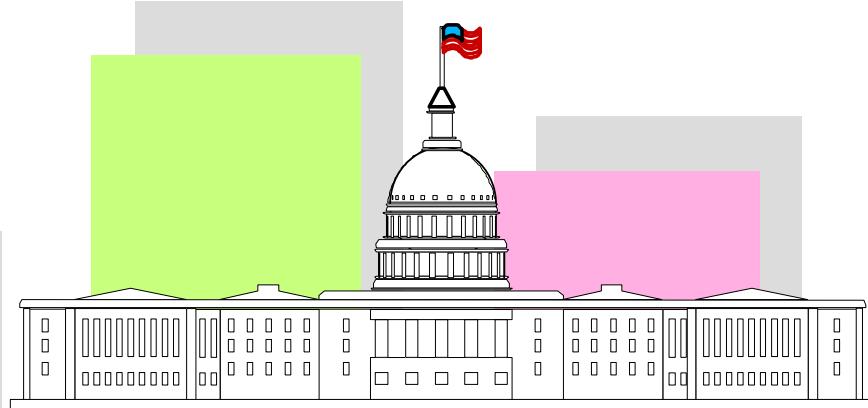


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LSPR Background zSeries Capacity Planning

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Purpose

To demonstrate,
through measurement,
zSeries & S/390 processor
capacity running various SCP's
and associated workload environments

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LSPR Documentation

Large Systems Performance Reference

Technical Bulletin **SC28-1187** (available via Internet)

- Processor capacity planning background
- Metrics for expressing processor capacity
- zSeries & S/390 workload environments
- Using **LSPR** data
- Validating a new processor capacity expectation
- **LSPR** ITR ratios for zSeries processors

LSPR document and data from the Internet

<http://www.ibm.com/servers/eserver/zseries/lspri/>



LSPR Background

1. A set of representative SCP/workload environments
 - SCP's: **z/OS**, **z/VM**, and **Linux**
 - Workloads: **Batch** **Online**
2. A methodology that focuses on processor capacity
 - No significant external constraints
 - Equivalent (reasonably high) processor utilization
3. A metric to communicate the results
 - **ITR** (Internal Throughput Rate)
 - Transactions or Jobs per processor busy second



LSPR Background

Focus is on processor capacity, without regard to

- External resources, including . . .
 - ▶ Central storage
 - ▶ Expanded storage
 - ▶ Channels
 - ▶ DASD devices
 - ▶ Operator activities
- Special features, such as . . .
 - ▶ Vector processing
 - ▶ ADMF
 - ▶ DB2 Sort Assist
 - ▶ Compression
 - ▶ Encryption

Capacity is represented by ITR values depicting each processor in its best light. Therefore, ratios between ITR values provide reasonable capacity relationships for capacity planning purposes.



The LSPR Advantage

Workloads exploit

- ✓ SCP (**z/OS, z/VM, Linux**, etc.)
JES2, VTAM, DFSMS, RACF, RMF/SMF

- ✓ Application Subsystems
CICS, DB2, IMS, WebSphere

- ✓ Access Methods
VSAM, RSAM, QSAM, BDAM

Representative work run in a representative way

Program Products
ASSEMBLER, COBOL, FORTRAN, PL/1
DFSORT, GDDM, ISPF, PL/1, SLR, SCRIPT

- ✓ **No kernels or synthetic workloads**
Transactions / Jobs
 - Includes a broad mix of activities
 - Realistic end-user / initiator count
 - Representative inter-arrival times



LSPR Workloads

z/OS

- **CB-L** Commercial batch - long, CPU-intensive jobs
- **CB-S** Commercial batch - short, I/O-intensive jobs
- **WASDB** WebSphere applications and DB2 data base
- **OLTP-W** Web enabled access to CICS/DB2 database
- **OLTP-T** Traditional IMS Data Systems online workload

z/VM

- **CMS** CMS interactive user workload
- **WASDB/LVm** WebSphere under Linux as many small guests

Linux

- **WASDB/L** WebSphere under Linux
- **EAS-AS/L** SAP Application server



LSPR Capacity Metrics

ETR

- ☛ External Throughput Rate
- ✓ Bears direct relationship to work done
- ✓ Computed as work ÷ elapsed time
- ✓ Characterizes capacity of the entire processing system

ITR

- ☛ Internal Throughput Rate
- ✓ Bears direct relationship to work done
- ✓ Computed as work done ÷ processor busy time
- ✓ Characterizes capacity of the processor itself

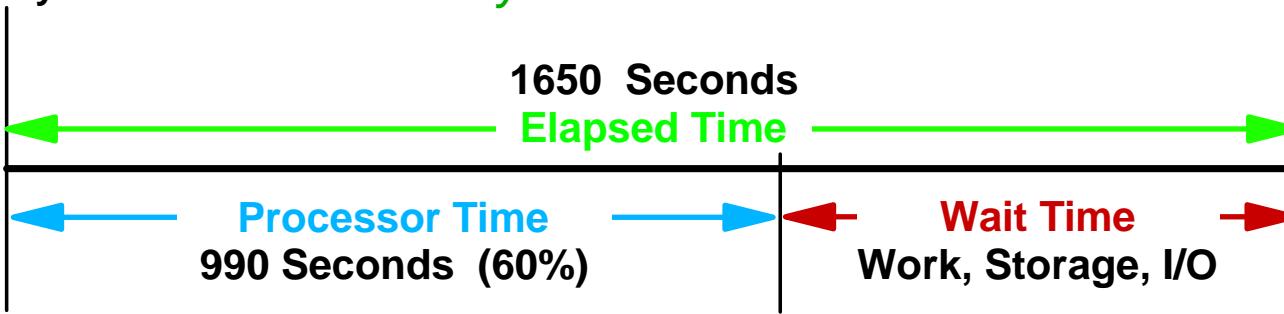
ITRR

- ☛ Internal Throughput Rate Ratio
- ✓ Statement of one processor's capacity relative to another
- ✓ The **LSPR** bottom-line

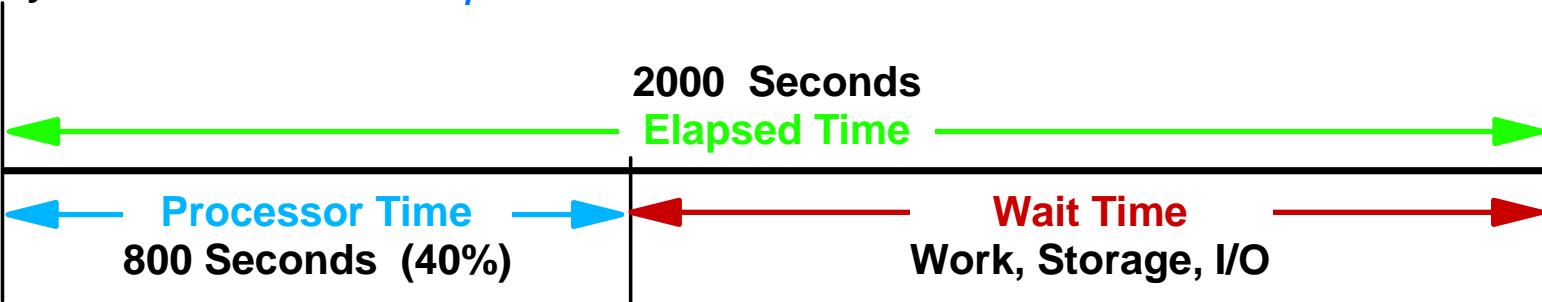


ETR and **ITR**

System #1: "the better system"



System #2: "the better processor"





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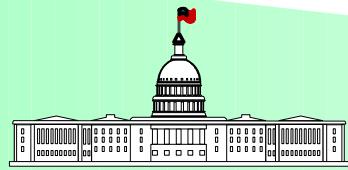
ETR

External Throughput Rate

Actual work done ÷ elapsed time

Provides a methodology for comparing **System Capacity**

- System is measured at/near a fully-loaded operating level
- Any resource is a potential capacity inhibitor, including
 - ▶ Central Processor
 - ▶ Memory (C-store and E-store)
 - ▶ Channels, CU's and I/O devices
 - ▶ TP network
 - ▶ Operator actions
- A response time criteria is commonly used to define when the system is saturated



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Actual Work Done ÷ Processor Busy Time

Provides a methodology for comparing Processor Capacity

- Processor is the only capacity inhibitor
 - ▶ Resources such as memory, channels, DASD, etc., are adequate to support the workload being measured
 - ▶ Minimal CPU is consumed managing resource constraints
- Processors are measured at equal utilization
- Processors are measured at reasonably high utilization
 - ▶ Batch is measured (start to end) at/near 100% utilization
 - ▶ Online is measured (steady-state) at 90% utilization



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ITR / ETR Relationship

$$\text{Utilization} = \frac{\text{Processor Busy Time}}{\text{Elapsed Time}}$$

$$\text{ETR} = \frac{\text{Units-of-Work}}{\text{Elapsed Time}}$$

$$\text{ITR} = \frac{\text{Units-of-Work}}{\text{Processor Busy Time}} = \frac{\text{ETR}}{\text{Utilization}}$$



LSPR Measurement Example

Measurement Steps

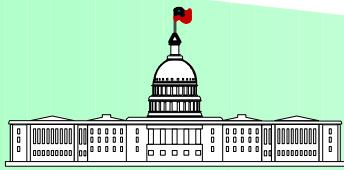
1. Approximate user count to achieve target processor utilization
2. Setup system and restore data to startup condition
3. Logon estimated number of users (staggered over time)
4. Add/drop users to achieve target processor utilization
5. Allow system to achieve steady state
6. Measure for period deemed to be a repeatable sample
7. Analyze monitor data for problems/bottlenecks



LSPR Measurement Example

z/OS with **OLTP-W**

<u>Measured data</u>	<u>2064-2C2</u>	<u>2064-2C4</u>	<u>Ratio</u>
Elapsed seconds	1,201.30	900.78	
Processor seconds	1,072.16	828.63	
Transaction count	201,374	298,609	
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<u>Calculated data</u>			
Utilization	89.25 %	91.99 %	
ETR	167.630	331.500	1.98
ITR	187.821	360.365	1.92



Absolute ITR Values
z/OS LSPR Workloads as of 05/13/2003

<u>Processor</u>	<u>Features</u>	<u>CB-L</u>	<u>CB-S</u>	<u>WASDB</u>	<u>OLTP-W</u>	<u>OLTP-T</u>
<u>zSeries 900 Turbo</u>						
2064-2C1	1W	0.12748	3.92286	253.601	97.610	196.468
2064-2C2	2W	0.25277	7.06646	489.024	187.821	377.053
2064-2C3	3W	0.37557	10.07036	720.555	275.406	549.791
2064-2C4	4W	0.49588	12.93456	948.196	360.365	714.681
2064-2C5	5W	0.61371	15.65907	1,171.945	442.700	871.725
2064-2C6	6W	0.72906	18.24387	1,391.804	522.408	1,020.921
2064-2C7	7W	0.84192	20.68898	1,607.771	599.492	1,162.271
2064-2C8	8W	0.95230	22.99439	1,819.847	673.950	1,295.774
2064-2C9	9W	1.06019	25.16010	2,028.032	745.783	1,421.429
2064-210	10W	1.16559	27.18611	2,232.326	814.990	1,539.238
2064-211	11W	1.26851	29.07243	2,432.729	881.572	1,649.200
2064-212	12W	1.36895	30.81905	2,629.240	945.528	1,751.314
2064-213	13W	1.46690	32.42597	2,821.861	1,006.859	1,845.582
2064-214	14W	1.56236	33.89319	3,010.590	1,065.565	1,932.003
2064-215	15W	1.65535	35.22071	3,195.428	1,121.645	2,010.577
2064-216	16W	1.74584	36.40854	3,376.375	1,175.100	2,081.304
<u>zSeries 990</u>						
2084-301	1W	0.20000	6.17591	408.637	153.050	303.443
2084-302	2W	0.38975	11.08934	777.099	294.670	582.525
2084-303	3W	0.57570	15.77285	1,138.765	431.510	849.637
2084-304	4W	0.75784	20.22642	1,493.636	563.569	1,104.779
2084-305	5W	0.93617	24.45007	1,841.710	690.847	1,347.950
2084-306	6W	1.11069	28.44378	2,182.989	813.345	1,579.151
2084-307	7W	1.28140	32.20757	2,517.471	931.063	1,798.381
2084-308	8W	1.44831	35.74142	2,845.158	1,044.000	2,005.640
2084-309	9W	1.61141	39.04535	3,166.049	1,152.157	2,200.929



How LSPR Data Can Be Used

1. Determine relative capacity for a potential new processor, to that of a currently installed processor, based on the SCP/workload environment
2. Scale relative capacity to any single processor's assumed (**MIPS**) rating (generally the currently installed processor would be used)
3. Define a mix of workloads to represent the current production workload, providing a tailored capacity expectation for potential new processors
4. Predict processor life assuming workload growth rates for each of the various production workload components
5. Assess capacity for workload consolidation when planning to merge various workload components running on different processors onto a single processor
6. Analyze workload metrics for the LSPR workloads and assesses the effects of changing them (e.g.; CPU intensity and inter-arrival time) on the number of users that could be supported.



Developing an **LSPR** Mixed-Workload Capacity Relationship

Formula to compute LSPR capacity ratio for a mixed-workload

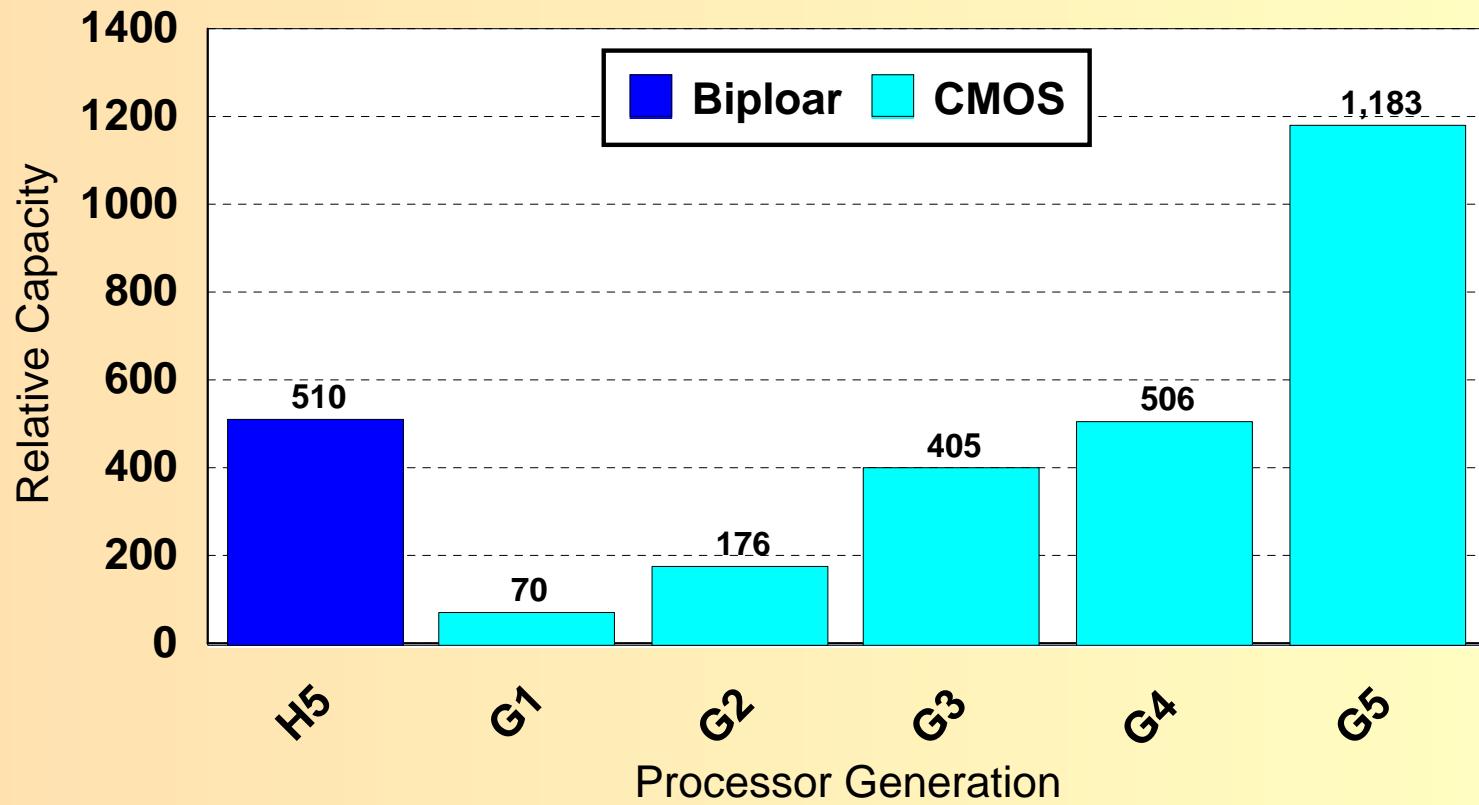
A *Harmonic Mean* calculation

$$\frac{1}{\left(\frac{\% \text{ CB-L}}{\text{CB-L ITRR}} + \frac{\% \text{ CB-S}}{\text{CB-S ITRR}} + \frac{\% \text{ WASDB}}{\text{WASDB ITRR}} + \frac{\% \text{ OLTP-W}}{\text{OLTP-W ITRR}} + \frac{\% \text{ OLTP-T}}{\text{OLTP-T ITRR}} \right)}$$



Mainframe Capacity Growth

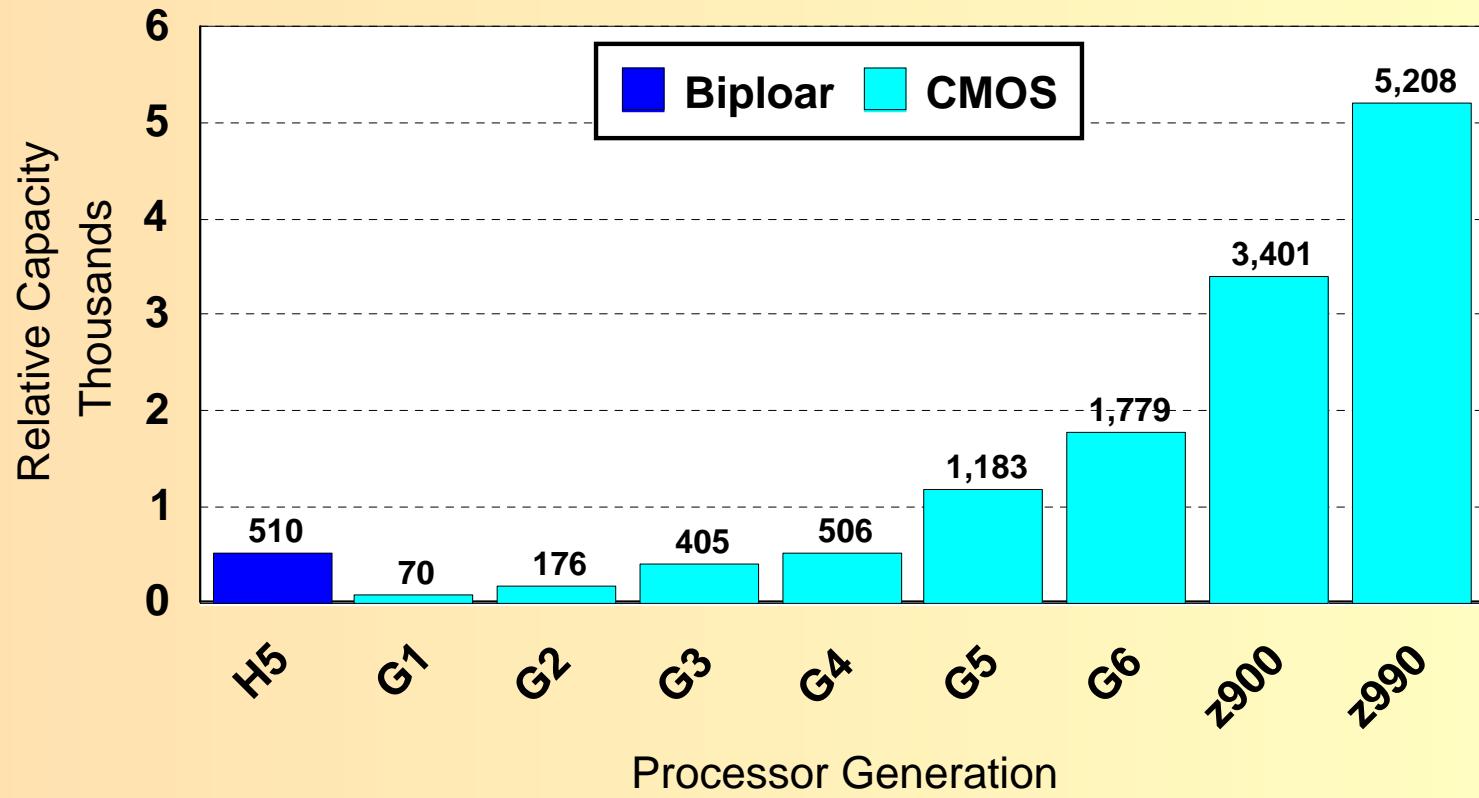
Maximum Capacity for a Single OS Image
MIPS rating for Average Workload (LSPR-Mix)





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Changes across IBM Processor Families that Affect Capacity

Bipolar	CMOS		
H5	G4	G5	z990
Slow cycle time	Fast cycle time	Faster cycle time	Faster cycle time
Complex hardware logic	Hardware / uCode logic	More hardware logic	More hardware logic
Super scalar	Sequential decode	G4 plus ...	G5 plus ...
Branch history table	In-order execution	Branch history table	Super scalar
Instruction prefetch	High speed circuits	More sophisticated HSB	Multiple inst per cycle
Multiple decode	High speed buffer	L1 - 256KB	2nd level TLB
Multile E-units	L1 - 64KB	L2 - 2x4MB private	64-bit addressing
Out-of-order execution	L2 - 4x768KB private		Up to 4 books (32 CPs)
High speed buffer	L2.5 - 2MB		More sophisticated HSB
L1 - 2x128KB			L1 - per CP
L2 - 2x4MB shared			256KB instruction
			256KB data
			L2 - per book
			32MB shared
			LPAR-mode only



MIPS as a Processor Metric

- ☛ Millions of Instructions Per Second
- ✓ Meaningless Indicator of Performance
- ✓ A ***ball-park*** (average) indicator of processor capacity
- ✗ No correlation to actual instruction rate
- ✗ Implies some type of ***universal scale***, loosely associated with actual Instruction Execution Rate (**IER**)
- ✗ A ***single-number metric***, which is insensitive to workload

Capacity is dependent on workload type and partition configuration

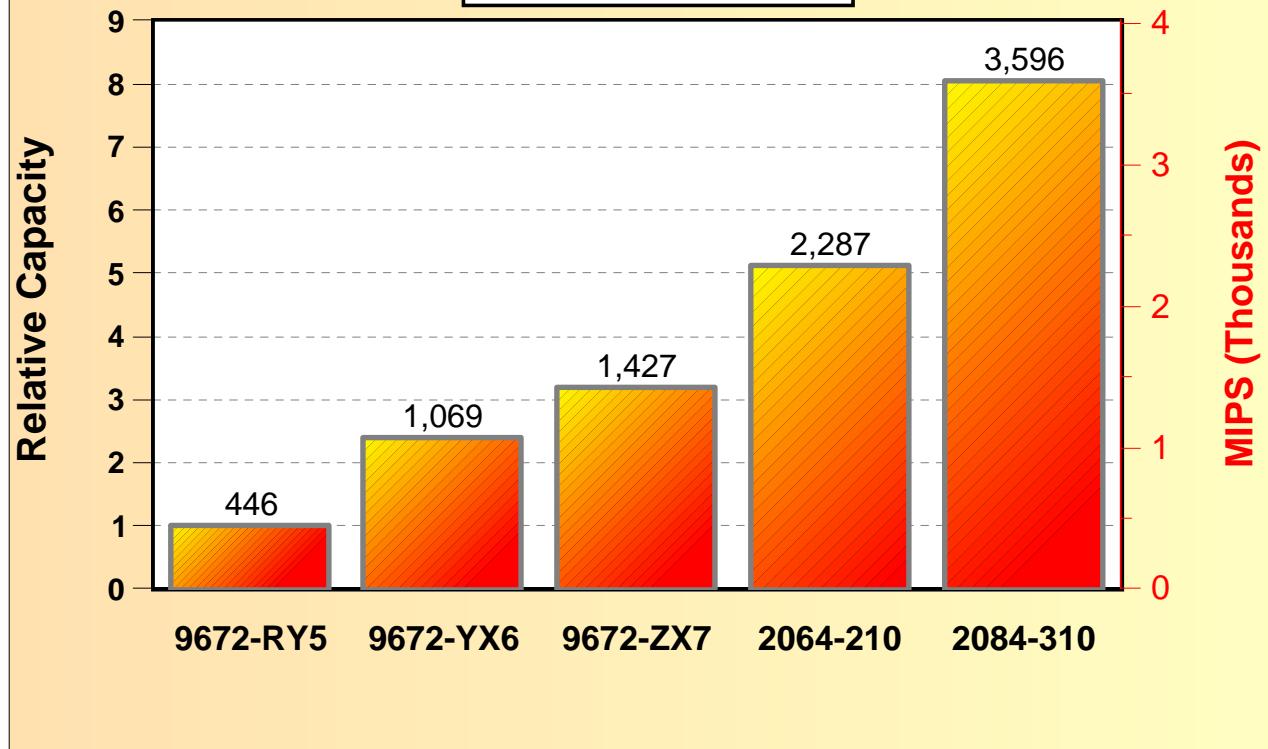
Actual capacity can vary +/- 20% or more from relationships determined via MIPS tables



MIPS Table

Relative Capacity 10-Way Processors

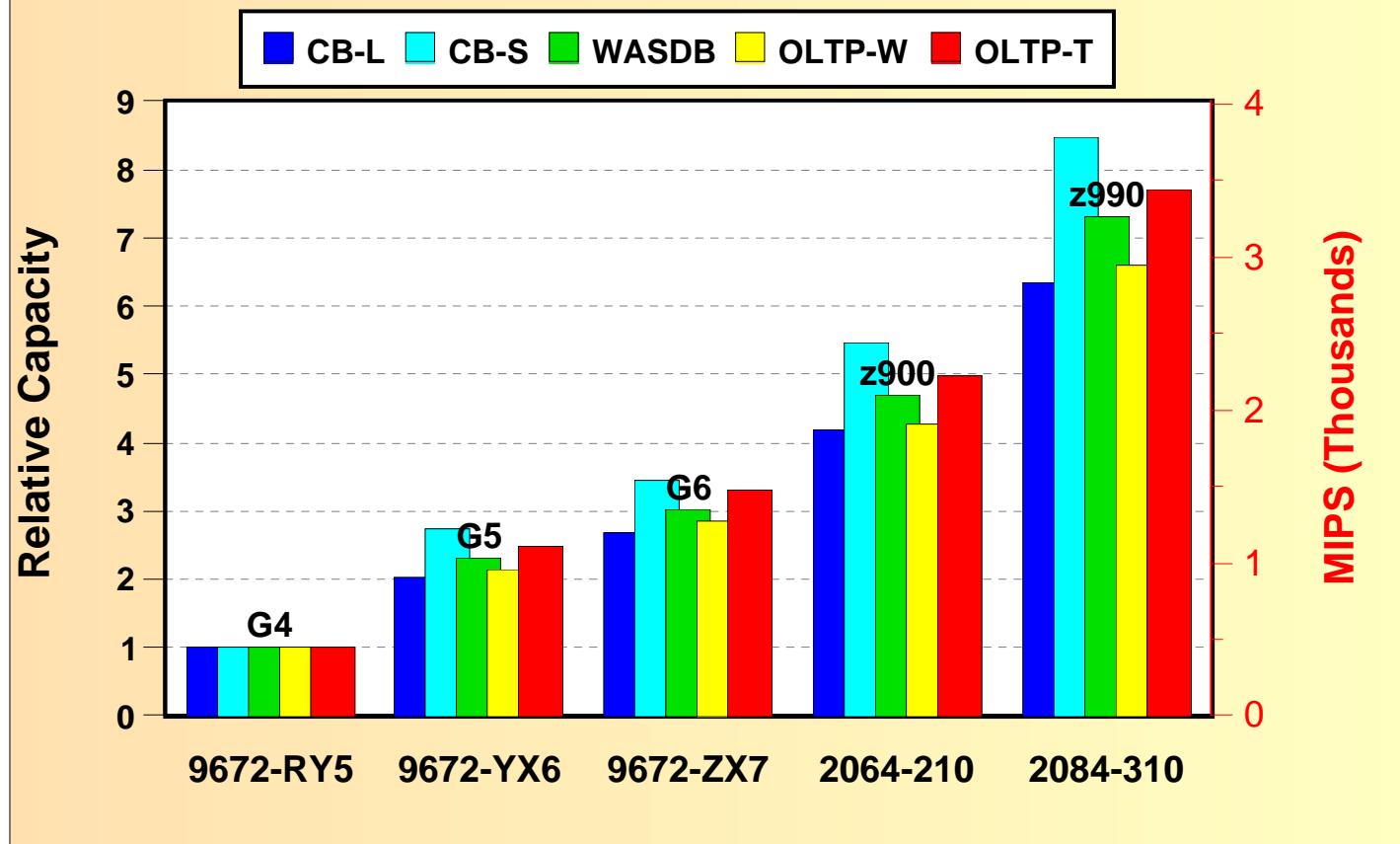
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Relative Capacity 10-Way Processors z/OS V1R4





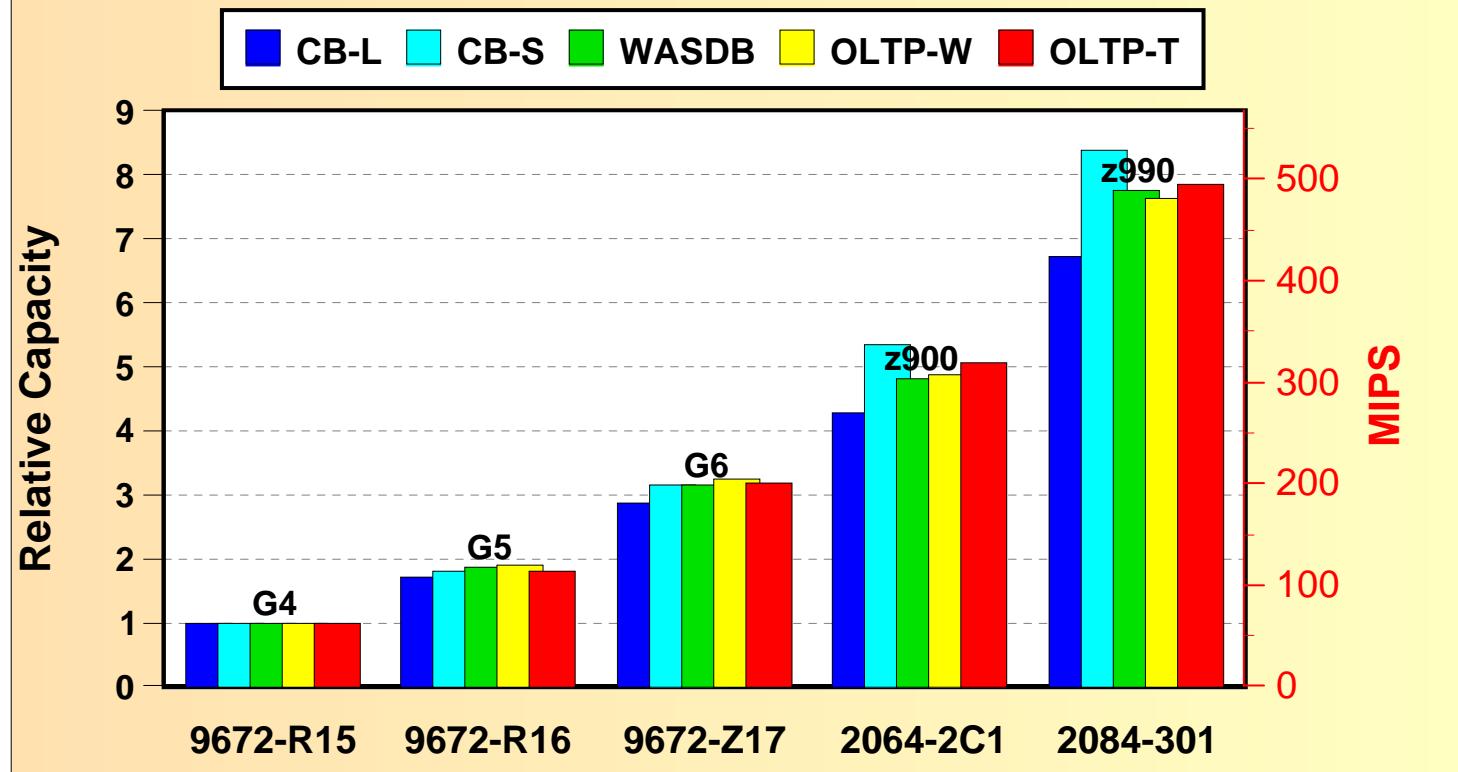
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Relative Capacity

1-Way Processors

z/OS V1R4



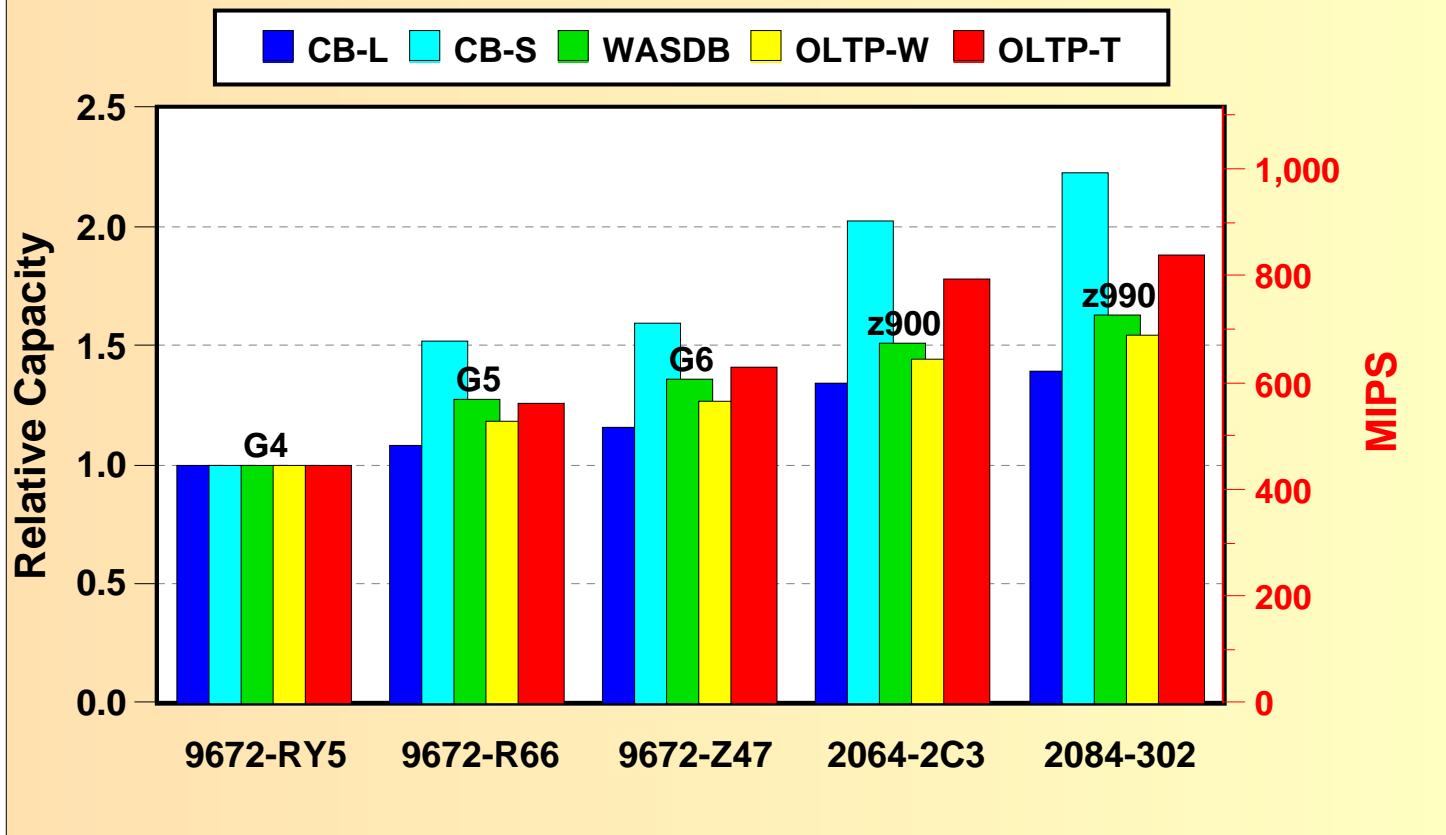


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Relative Capacity

Slightly Increasing Capacity Progression

z/OS V1R4





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Factors That Affect Processor Capacity Relationships

Architecture

zArchitecture (including **S/390**)

The only architecture covered by LSPR

Hardware Design

*Each **zArchitecture** (**S/390**) processor family
has its own unique internal design*



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Factors That Affect Processor Capacity Relationships

Hardware

- Basic processor cycle time
 - + OPCODE efficiency
- High Speed Buffer (HSB) design
- Multi-Processor (N-way) efficiency
- Special hardware / microcode features



Factors That Affect Processor Capacity Relationships



Software

- CPU time per transaction / job
- % Supervisor or % Problem state
- I/O rate per second or per unit-of-work
- Working set size
- Etc . . .



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Factors That Affect Processor Capacity Relationships

the
internal
view

Software

- **Instruction set usage**
 - ▶ **OPCODE frequency and sequencing**
- **Storage reference patterns**
- **Dispatch rate**
- **Use of special features**



Factors That Affect Processor Capacity Relationships

Software

- Instruction set usage
- Storage reference patterns
- Dispatch rate
- Use of special features

Varies by:
SCP/workload environment

Hardware

- OPCODE efficiency
- HSB design
- N-way efficiency
- Special hardware / microcode

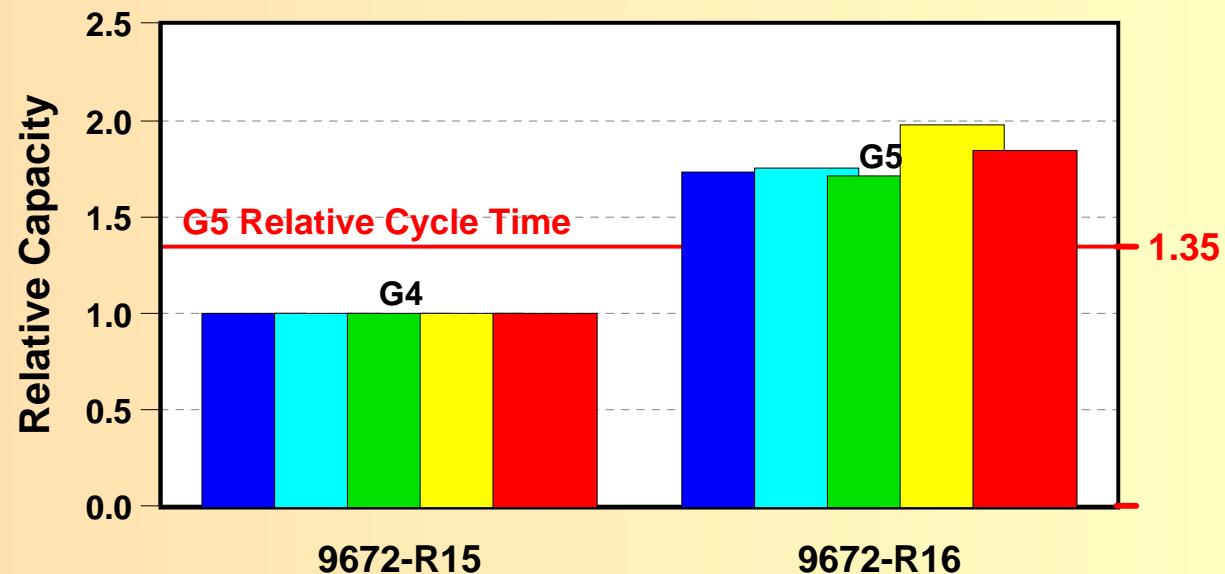
Varies by:
Processor family design



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Relative Capacity 1-Way Processors OS/390 V2R10

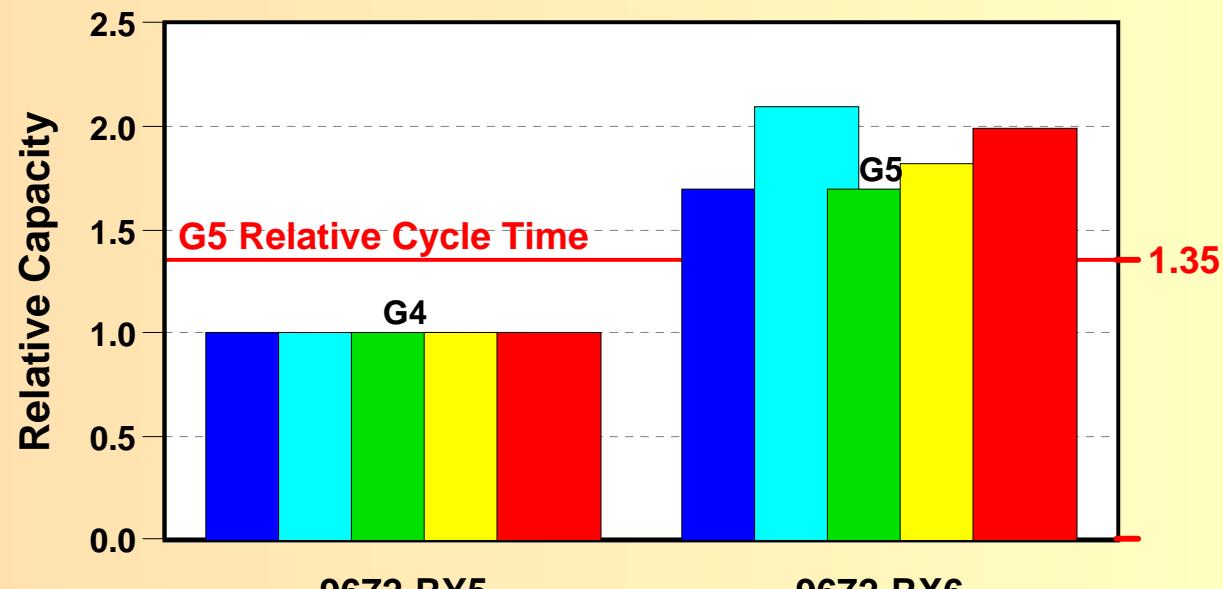
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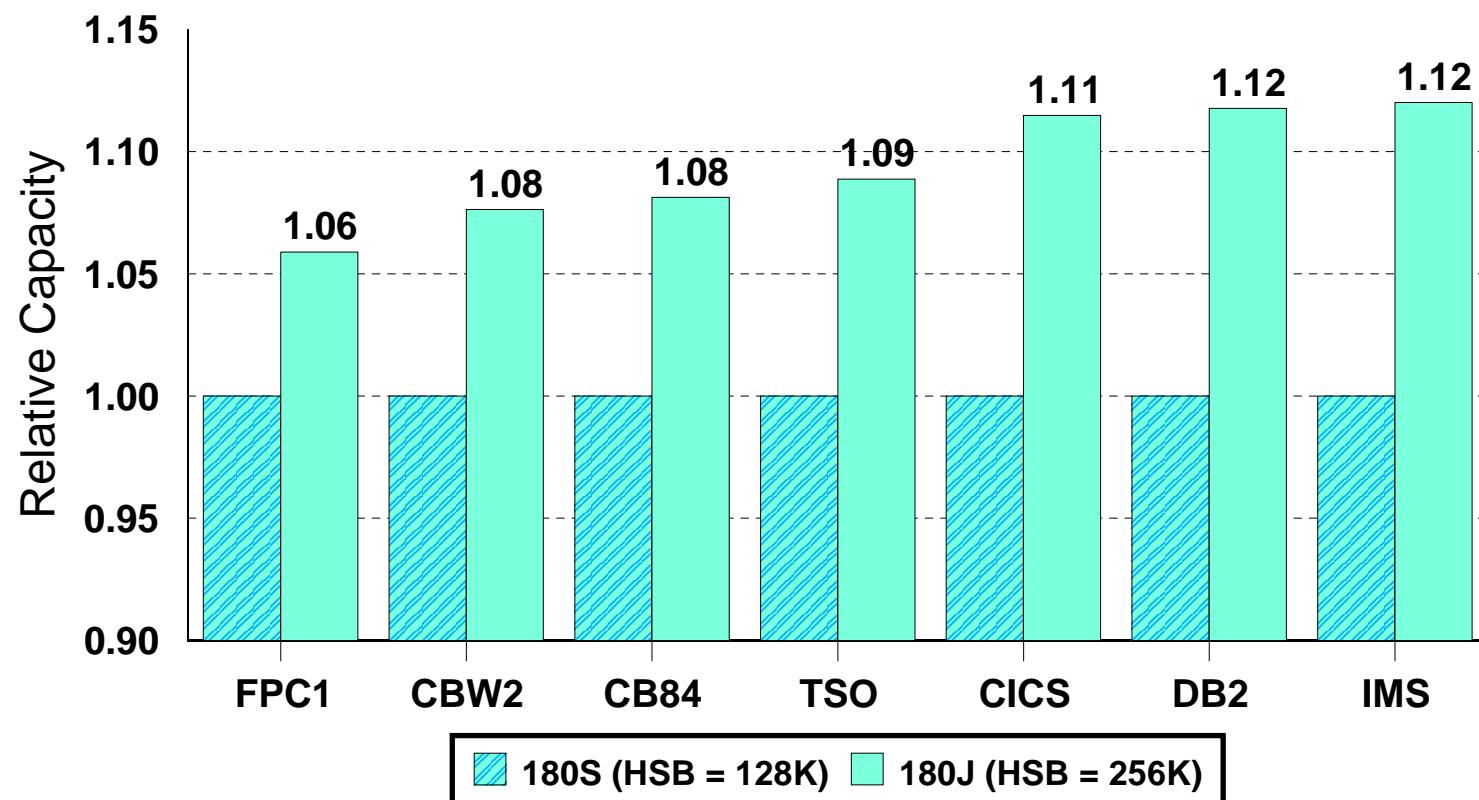
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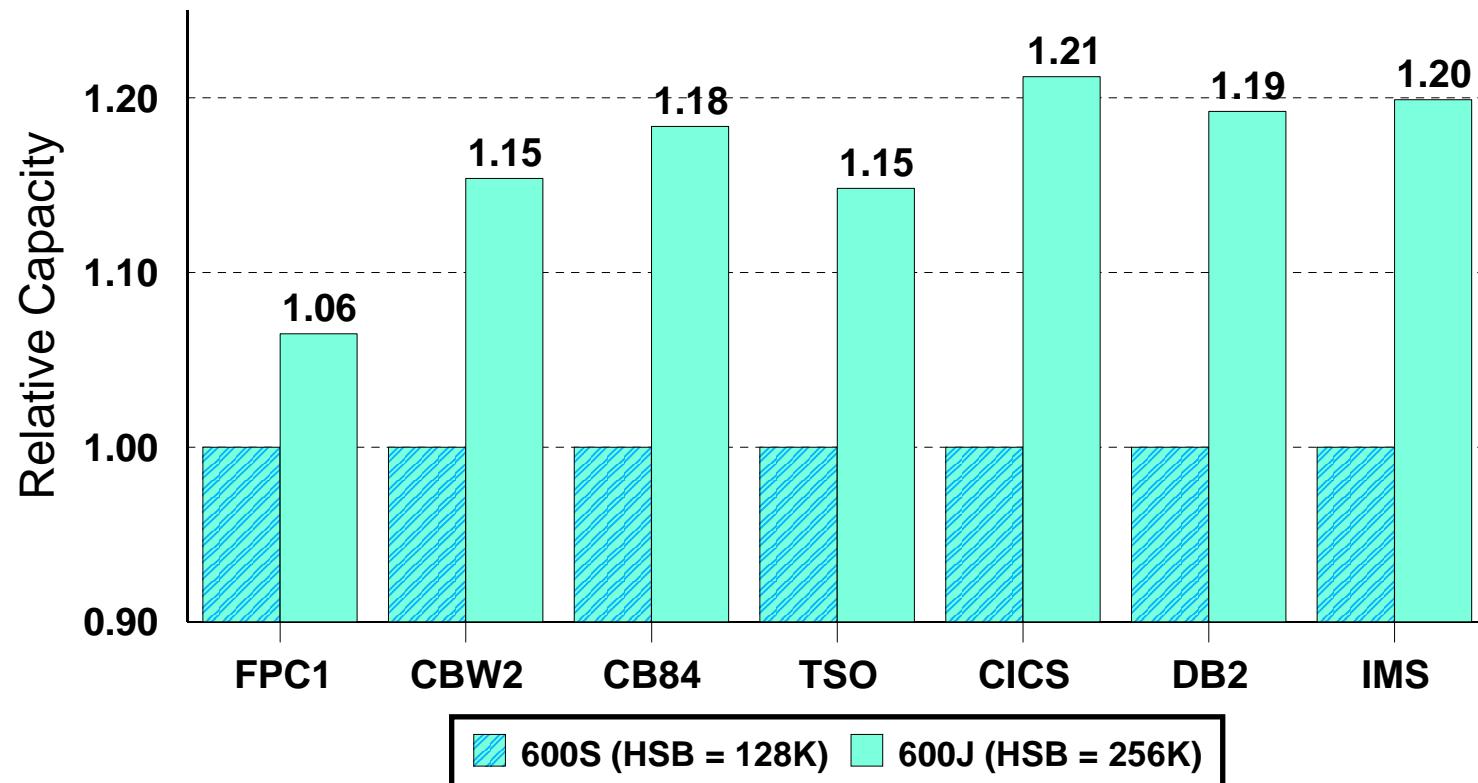
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High Speed Buffer Effect 3090-180J vs 3090-180S



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High Speed Buffer Effect 3090-600J vs 3090-600S



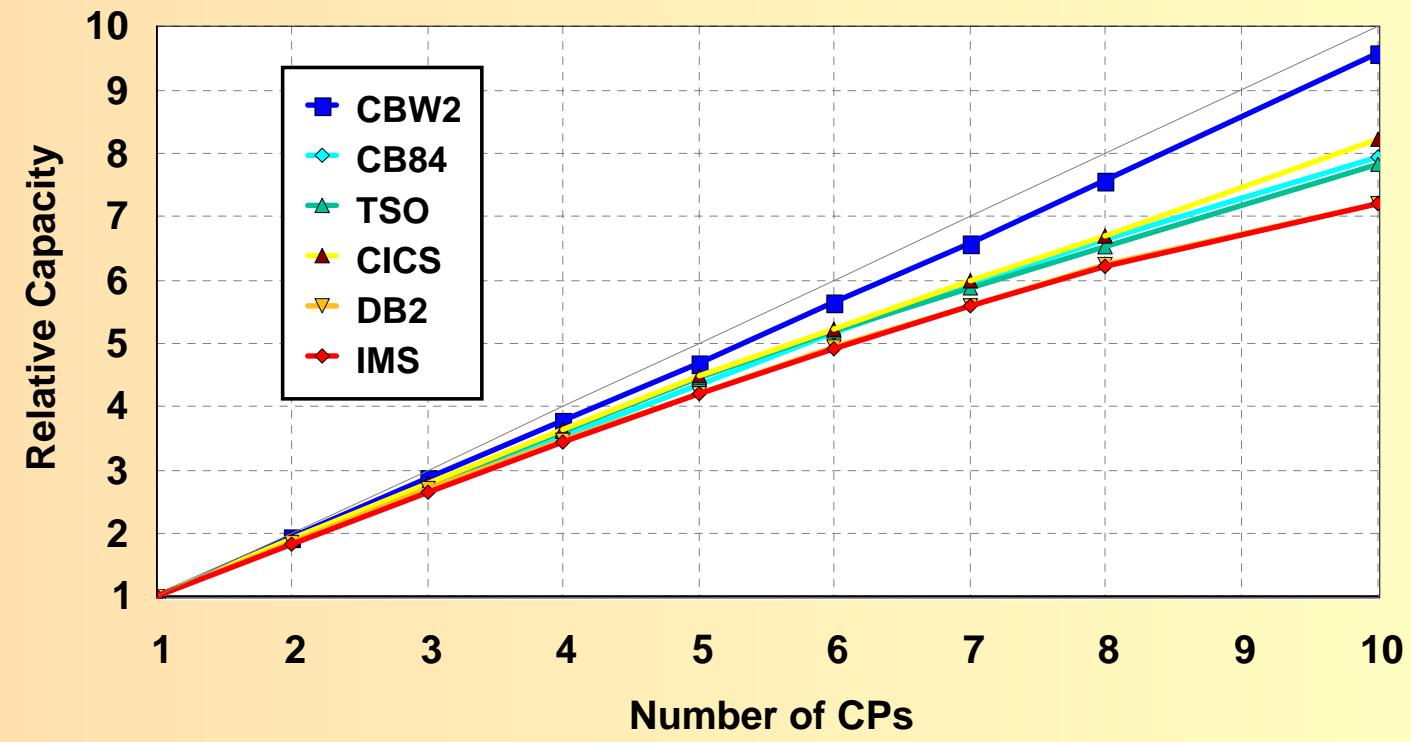


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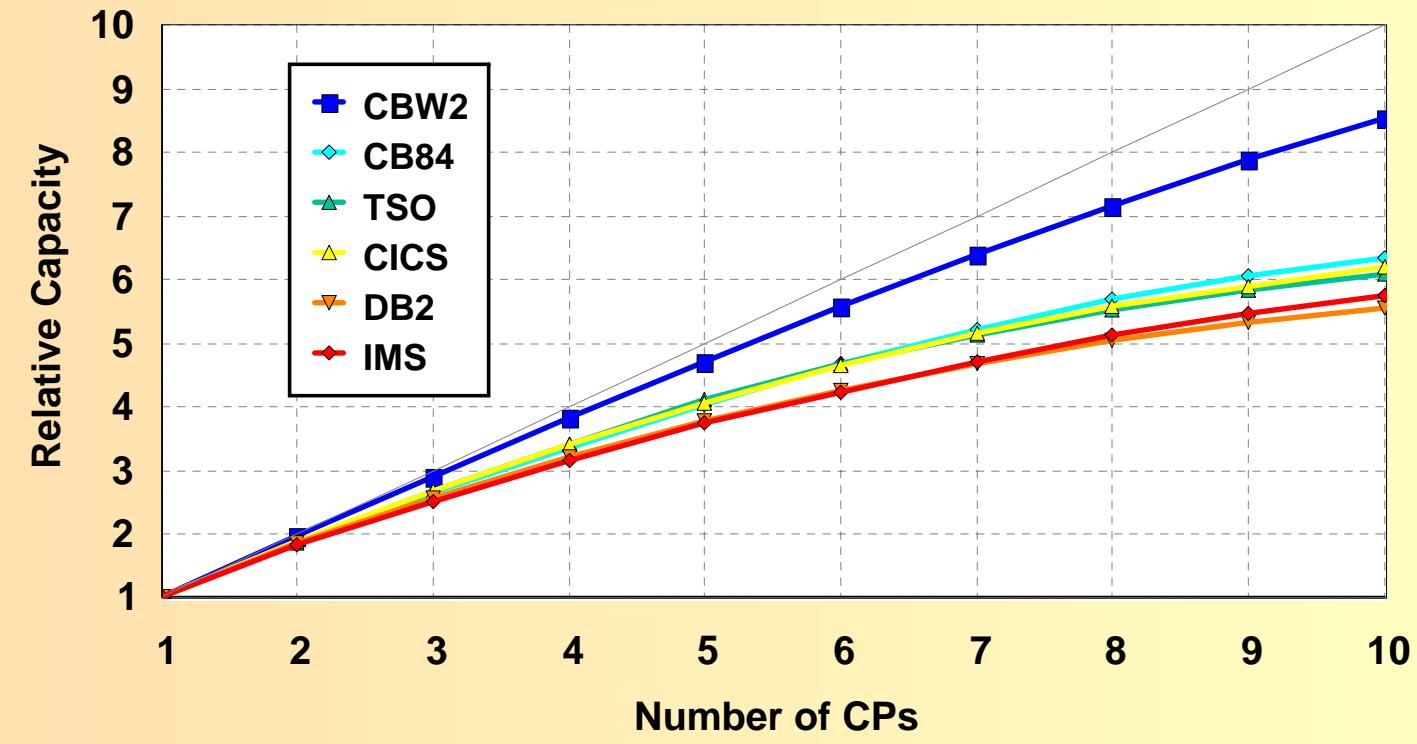
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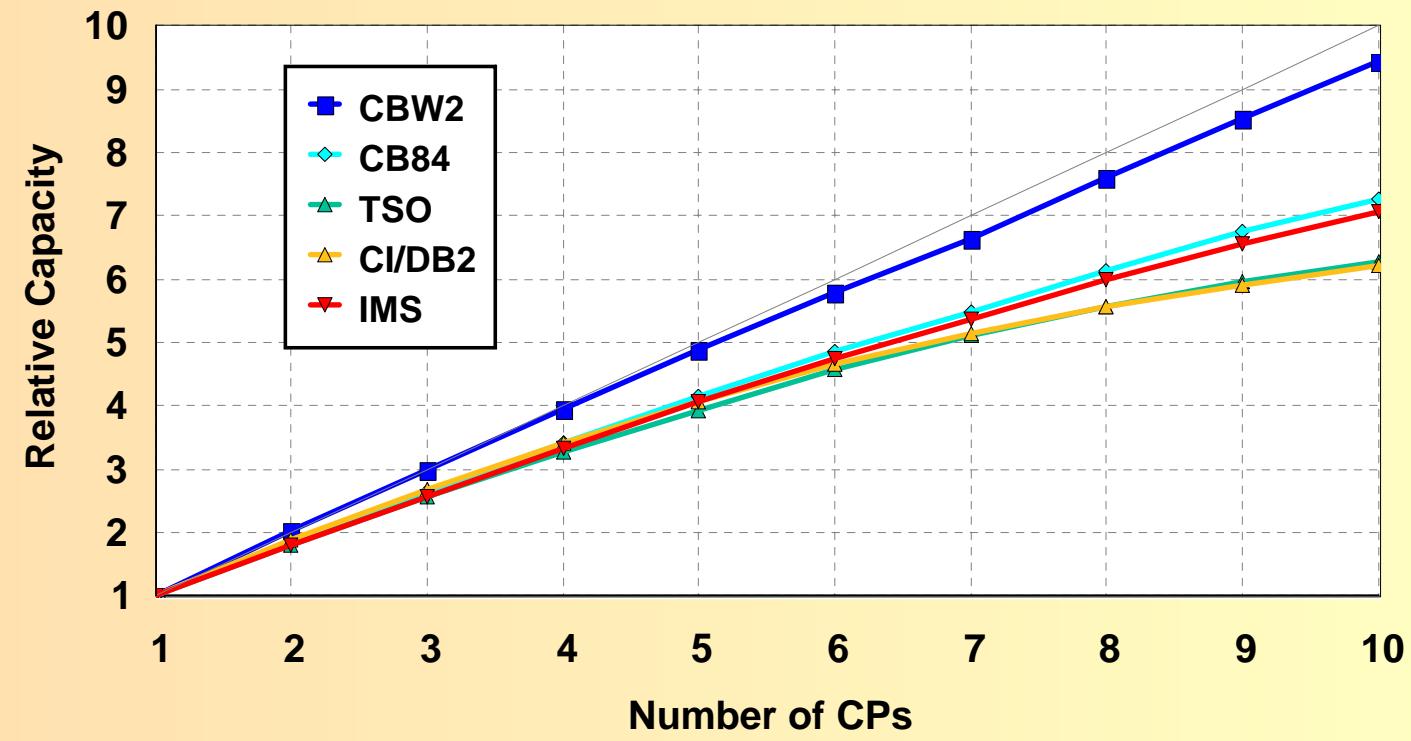
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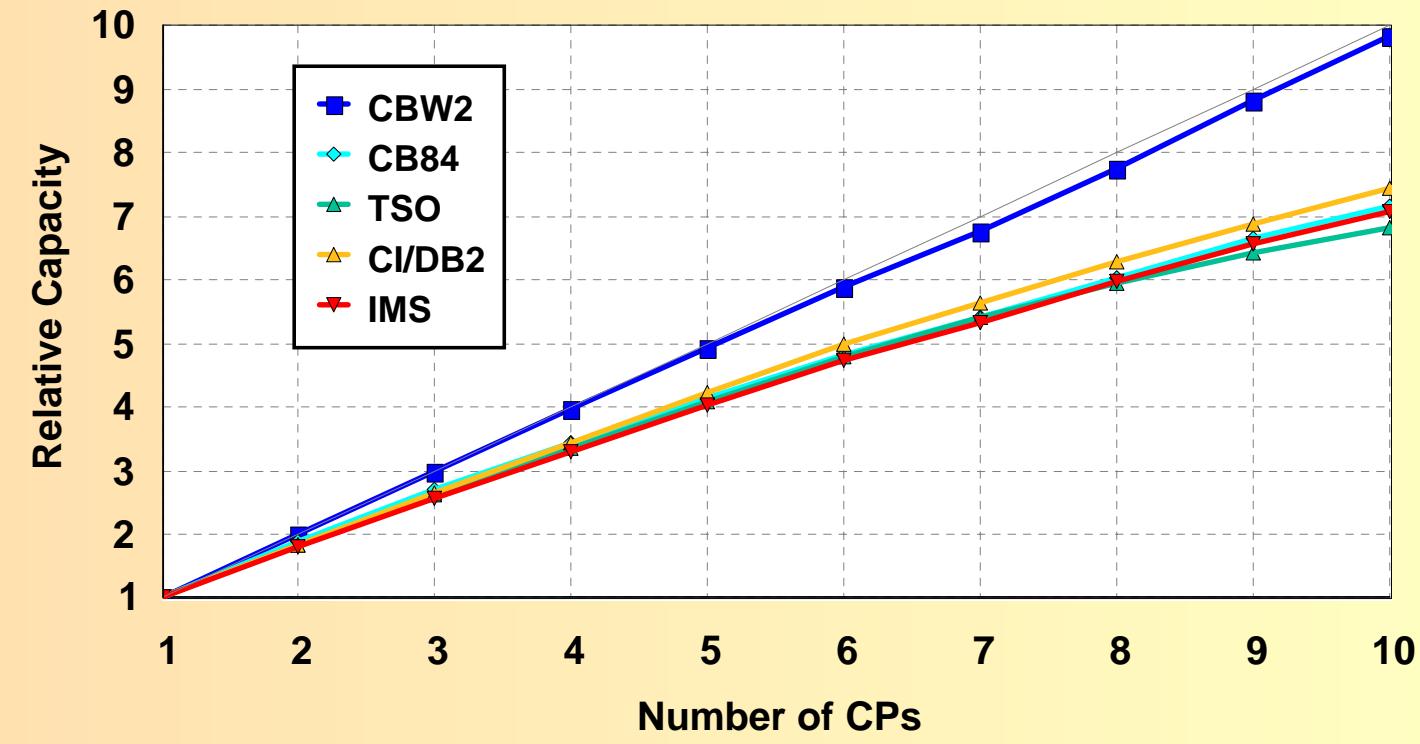
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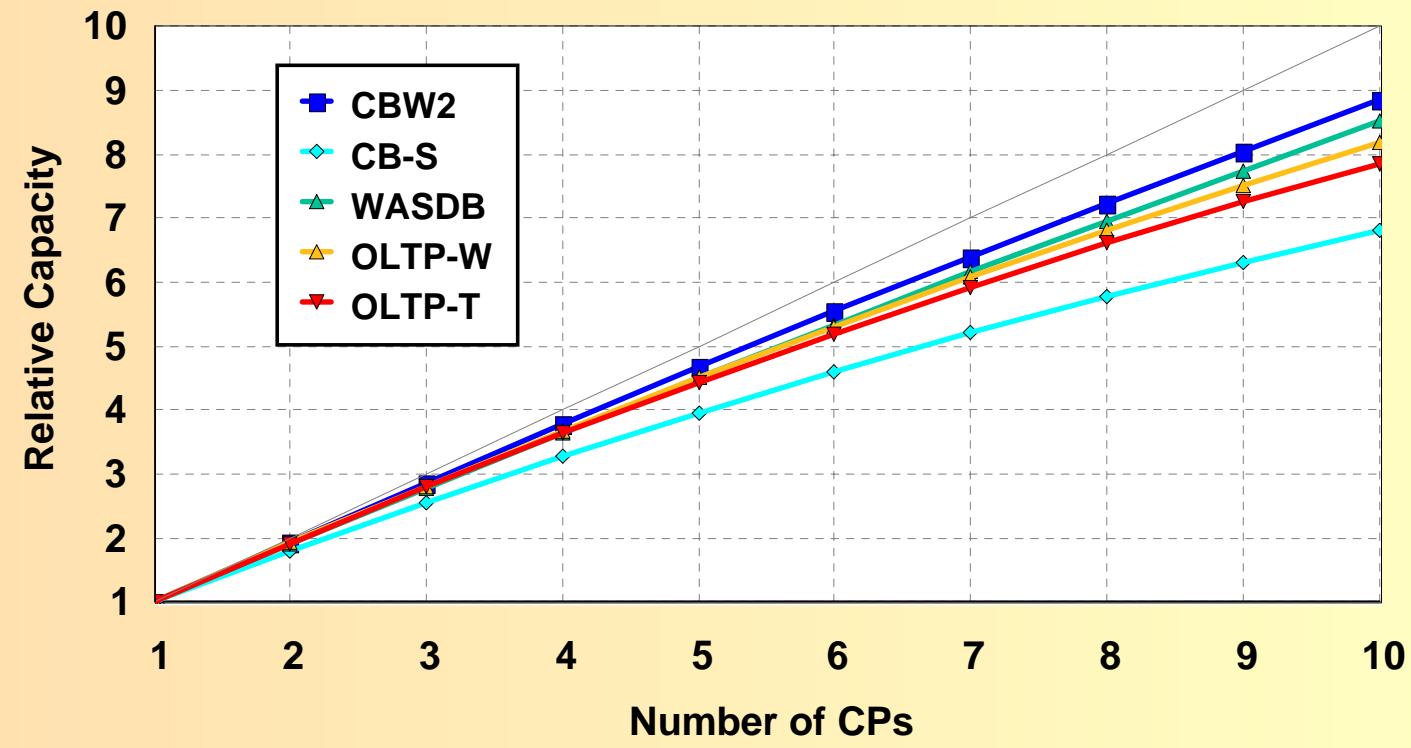
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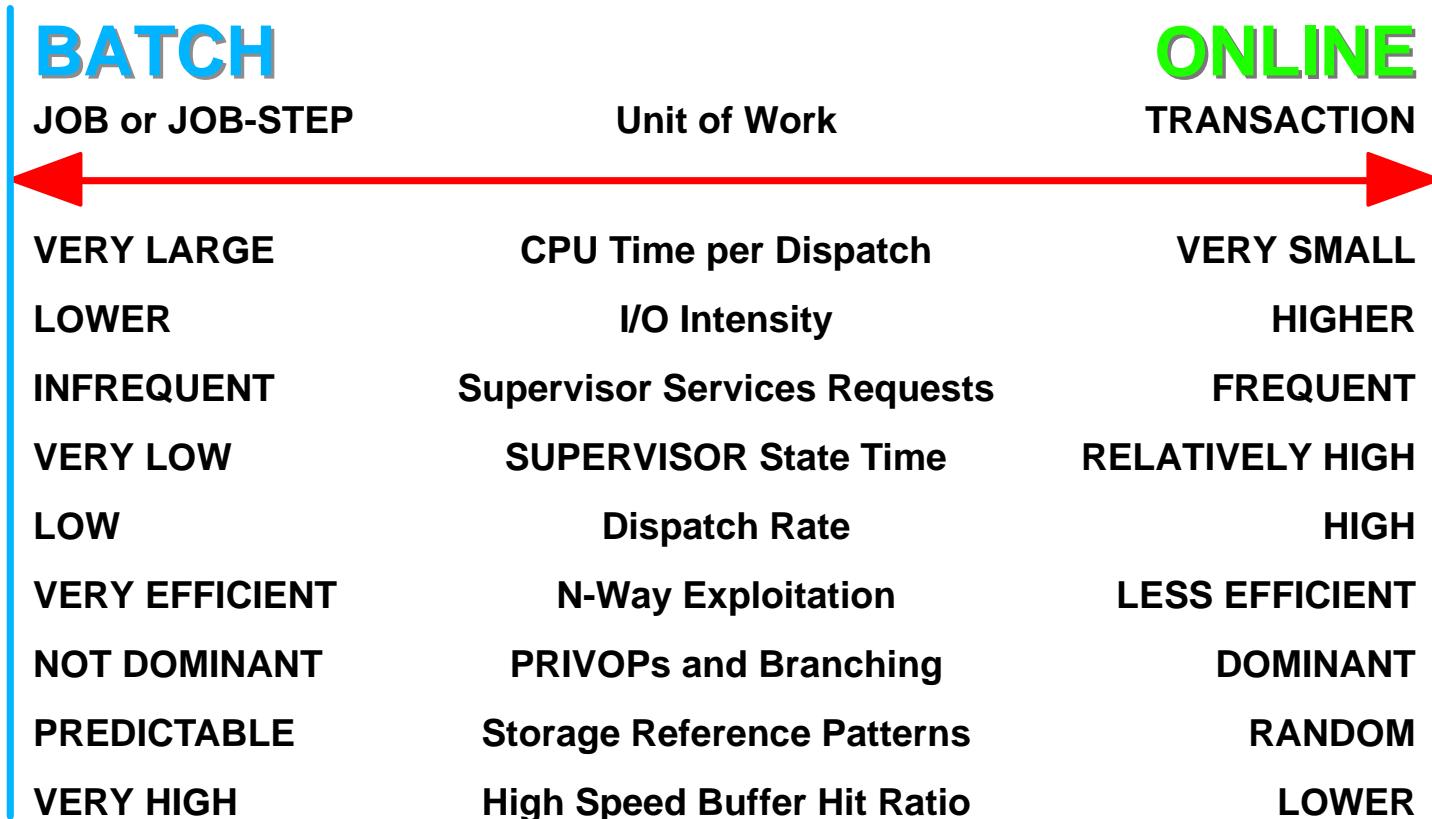
Factors Affecting Processor Capacity Relationships

Any given zArchitecture (or S/390) processor's capacity and performance potential is dependent on . . .

- ***that processor's underlying design***
- ***how the SCP/workload environment interacts with that design***

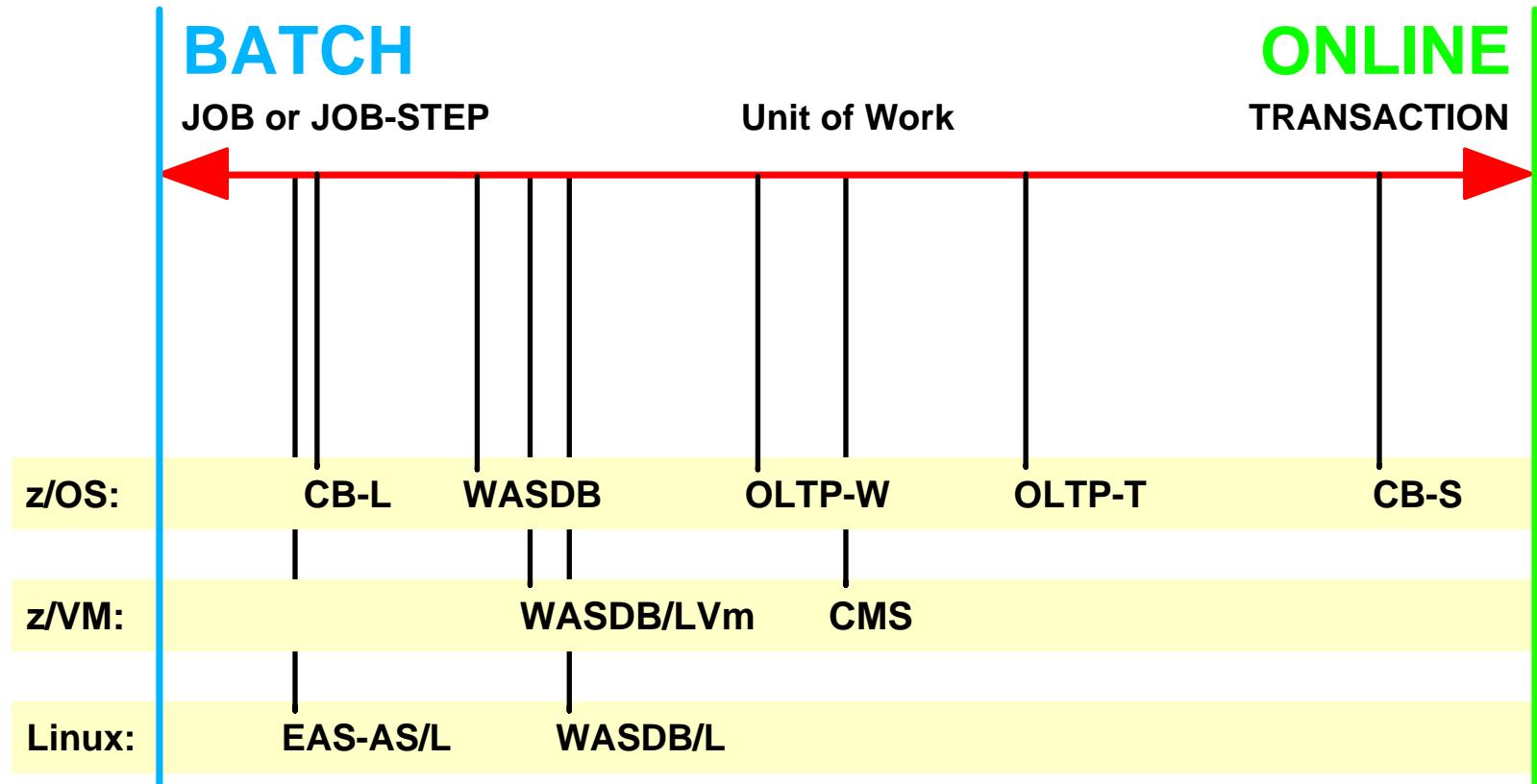


Scope of DP Workloads





Scope of LSPR Workloads





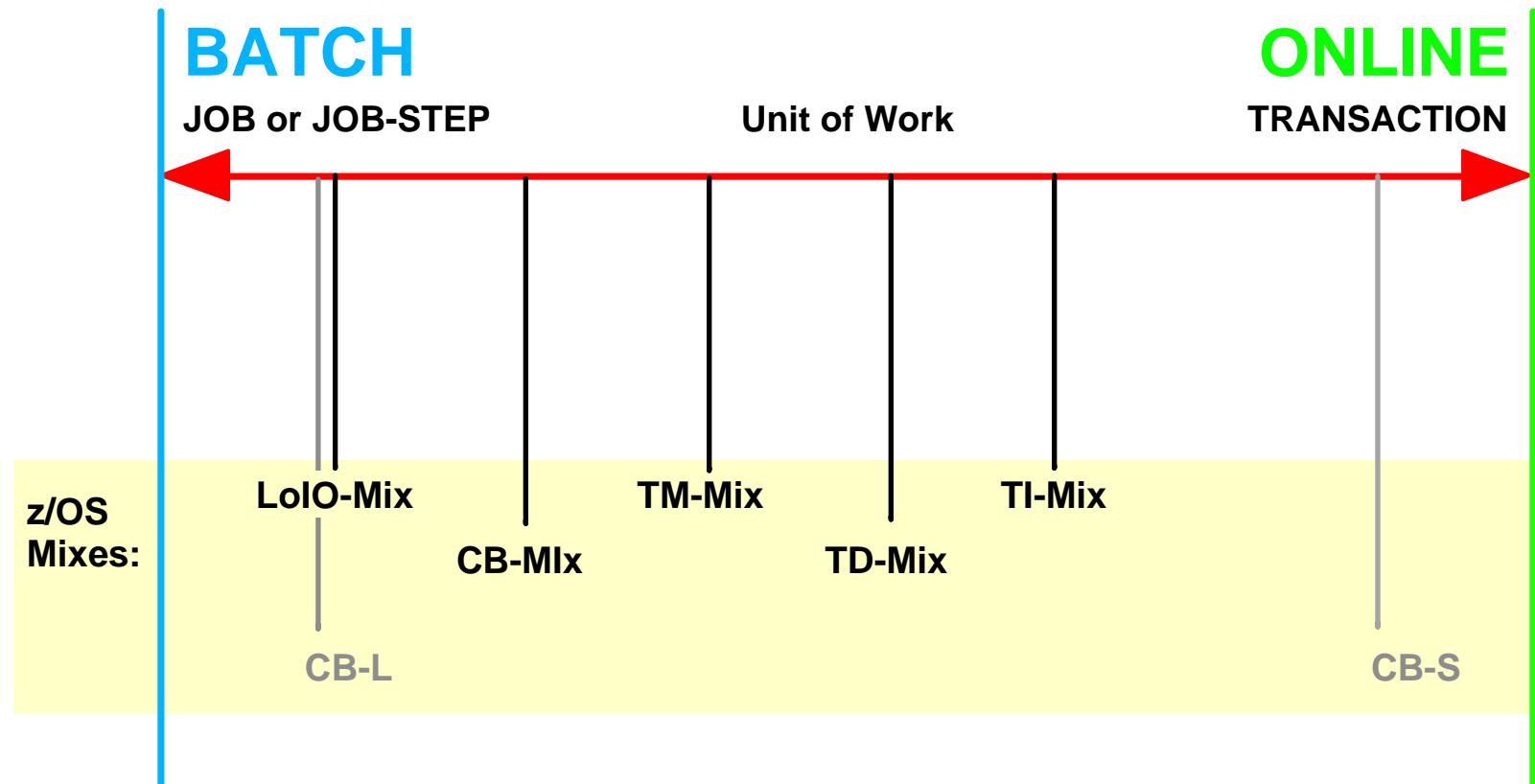
How Do I Relate My Workload to **LSPR** ?

Some general considerations

- Never focus solely on the LSPR workload that provides the best-case capacity relationship
- Always be aware of the LSPR workload with the worst-case capacity relationship
- For batch, don't use **CB-L** or **CB-S** independently without a specific reason; start with a mix of $\frac{3}{4}$ **CB-L** and $\frac{1}{4}$ **CB-S**
- For online workloads, factor in some **CB-L** when transactions are more than trivial (normally the case for today's environments)
- Capacity ratios are particularly sensitive to workload when **G1 - G4** is involved as the "from" processor. Also, when **z990** is "to" processor.
- Request help from IBM to determine which LSPR workload primitives should be considered, and how to best interpret resulting capacity relationships
- Use the predefined workload mixes available in **zPCR** and **PCRW** tools



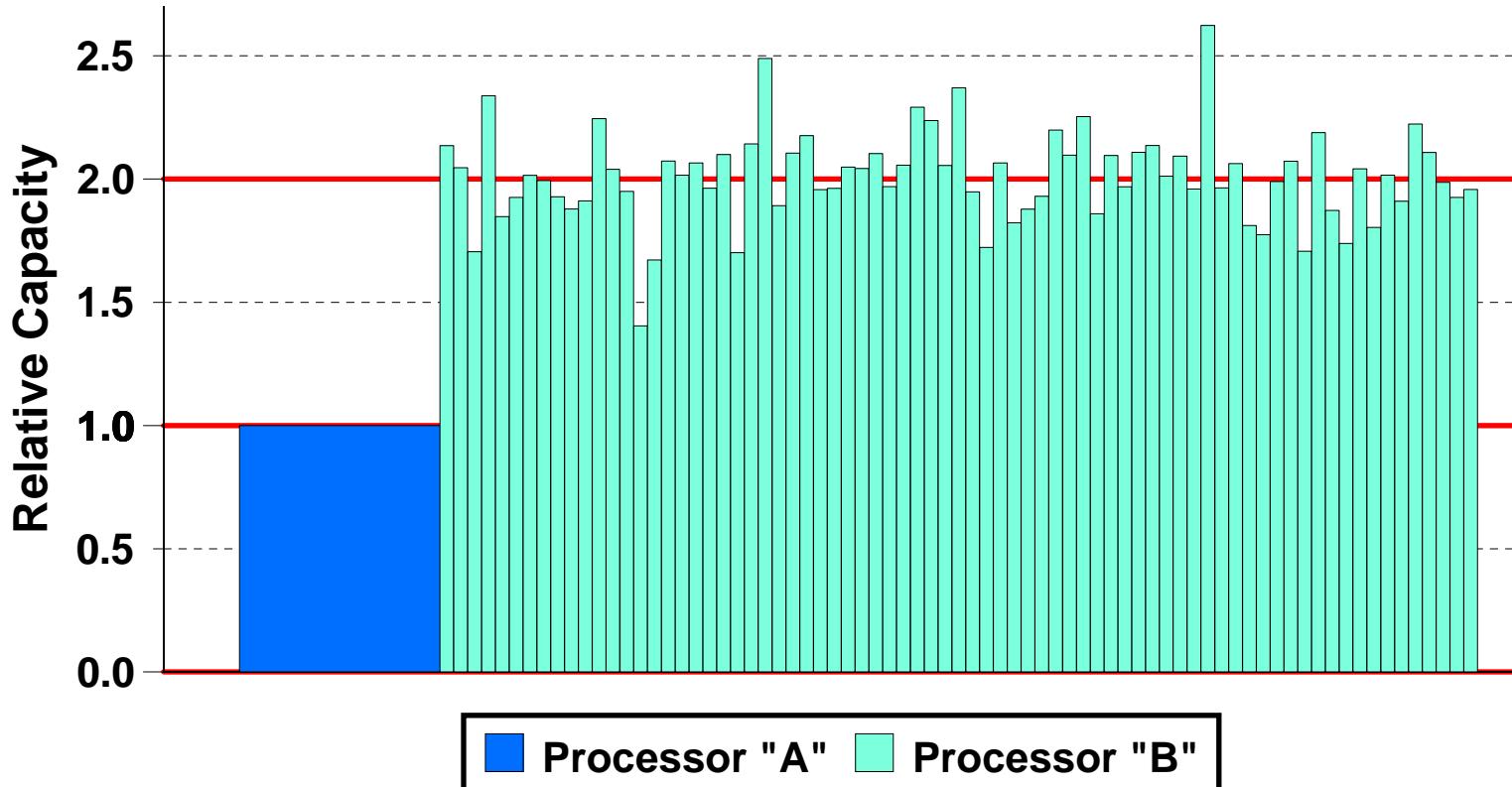
Scope of LSPR Workloads





General Capacity Observations

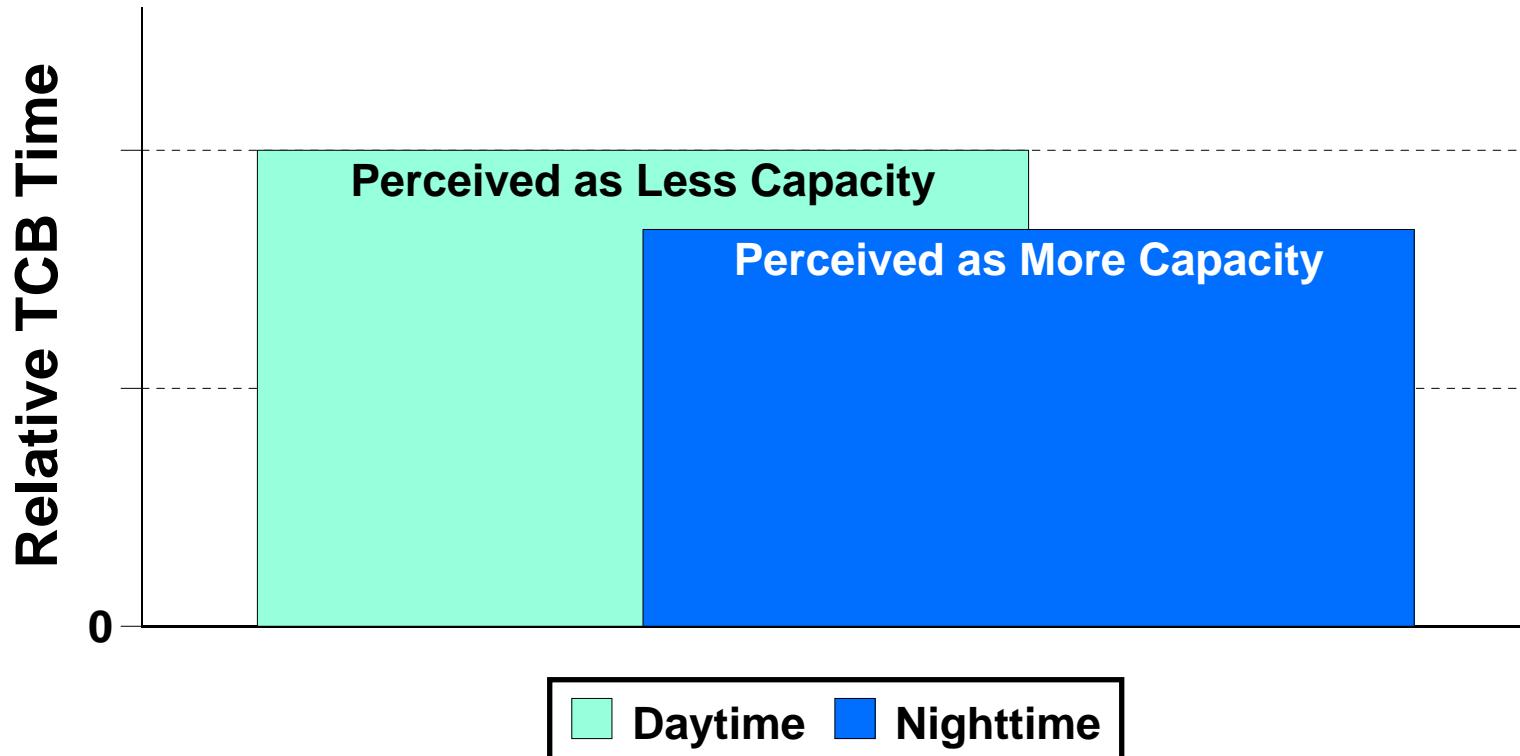
Workload Component vs Overall Workload
(An Example: "B" = 2.0 x "A")





General Capacity Observations

Processor Loading Effect on Job or Transaction TCB Time





Assessing Processor Capacity **Accuracy** vs **Cost**

