

Extending Your Mainframe For More Business Value

Server Consolidation to Linux on IFLs

Typical Scenarios

- Most data centers are not green field projects
- Cost concerns drive typical scenarios:
- Large transactional workloads and database
 - Scale may compel platform choice
- Adding new workload to an existing System z
 - The rule of three
- Server consolidation to Linux on IFLs
 - Consolidation Math
- Offloading projects
 - Proliferation of cores defeats distributed price advantages

Distributed Server Sprawl



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Distributed Server Sprawl Uses...

- Lots of hardware
 - Lots of floorspace
 - Lots of power
 - Lots of networking
- Lots of software licenses
- Lots of people to manage the systems

Consequences

- Low Utilization of Hardware Resources
- Complexity
- Increased time to respond to business requirements
- Difficulty integrating information from various systems



Server Utilization At A Large Financial Institution



Utilization Of Distributed Servers



Statistics Can Work In Our Favor

- When the number of workloads is small
 - To guarantee that work will complete within "specified" time requires more excess capacity
- When the number of workloads is large
 - Combination of arriving workloads is more statistically predictable
 - Higher predictability means lower excess capacity required to meet the specified response times



Utilization

Number of workloads

When many applications are brought from single application servers to a centralized server, wasted utilization can be squeezed out of the datacenter

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An Experiment Shows How Combining Workloads On A Shared Server Statistically Improves Utilization

- Group 1
 - Take 1 die and roll it 10 times. Count the number of times you get a 1, 2, 3, 6
 - Plot your results on a histogram
 - Group 2
 - Take 9 dice and roll them 10 times. On each roll get the total value on the 10 dice. Count the number of times you get a 9,10, 11, 12,, 30, 31, ... 54.
 - Plot your results on a histogram.
- What do we see about the "predictability" of the result of a "roll"? (Let's roll the dice with a computer.)

After Rolling 1 Die (1 Workload) The Distribution Would Look Like This



After Rolling 9 Dice (9 Workloads) The Distribution Would Look Like This



After Rolling 30 Dice (30 Workloads) The Distribution Would Look Like This



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After Rolling 100 Dice (100 Workloads) The Distribution Would Look Like This



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Economics Of Consolidation

- Consolidating workload means running multiple workloads on the mainframe at the same time
- Consolidation achieves greater utilization of assets which minimizes cost per unit of work
- Same principal was applied by Henry Ford at the dawn of the industry era
 - It still applies today
- Workload consolidation on a mainframe squeezes out cost to achieve maximum efficiency
 - And return on investment



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Consolidation Math

What is the theoretical maximum number of servers that can be consolidated?



Implementation variations from average and practical considerations will constrain this theoretical number

Identify Consolidation Opportunities

The more servers you can consolidate, the more money you will save (Maximize N)



Observed Consolidation Ratios



The Mainframe Can Consolidate Thousands of Workloads

- Mainframe hardware provides:
 - Hypervisor assigns processor resources to logical partitions
 - Intelligent Resource Director supervises this assignment
 - Virtualized I/O Subsystem
- z/OS provides:
 - Workload Manager assigns resources within a z/OS image according to service level agreements
 - Also performs this function across a cluster of z/OS images
- z/VM provides:
 - Virtual Machine Resource Manager
 - Complete mainframe virtualization (including memory)
- All of these facilities provide
 - Business workload oriented goal or velocity definitions
 - Autonomic and continuous management to those definitions

Other Workload Management Solutions Lack Business Goals and Dynamic Flexibility

- For example, HP-UX workload manager
 - Marketing description looks like it is referring to z/OS WLM!
 - "...a goal based policy engine..."
 - In fact, HP's WLM uses static relationships based on the IT environment, not related to business goals
 - Can adjust share/number of CPUs available to a workload but only via static relationships:
 - "3 cpu-shares per connected user with a minimum of x, maximum of y"
 - Can only hard code memory and disk bandwidth shares
 - Dynamic changes not possible so only useful for hard-caps
- No sign of z/OS WLM business goals like:
 - Application X will achieve <2s response time for 95% of users during US Eastern business hours, <5s at other times</p>

Example Workloads That Can Be Consolidated On A Mainframe

What	Where	Specialty Processor	How	
Growth of Existing Mainframe Workload	z/OS		Capacity on demand	
New CICS or IMS Applications	z/OS		Develop	
Data Warehouse	z/OS	zIIP	Deploy	
SAP Database Server	z/OS	zIIP	Deploy	
WebSphere Application Server	z/OS	zAAP	Deploy	
WebSphere Portal Server	z/OS	zAAP	Deploy	
WebSphere Process Server	z/OS	zAAP	Deploy	
.NET Applications	z/OS	zAAP	Mainsoft	
Domino	z/OS		Deploy	

More Example Workloads That Can Be Consolidated On A Mainframe

What	Where	Specialty Processor	How
Linux Applications	Linux on z/VM	IFL	Recompile
Linux Middleware - IBM Brands (DB2, WebSphere, Lotus, Rational, Tivoli) - Oracle Database - etc.	Linux on z/VM	IFL	Rehost
Linux Packaged Applications - SAP - Oracle - etc.	Linux on z/VM	IFL	Rehost
.NET Applications	Linux on z/VM	IFL	Mono, Mainsoft
Open Solaris Applications	Open Solaris on z/VM	IFL	Sine Nomine

Linux On z/VM

We've seen some examples of incremental growth on z/OS

- Extend new access channels with WebSphere
- New data workloads with DB2
- Business insight with DB2 and Information Server
- Communications backbone with IBM Enterprise Service Bus

Now let's look at some examples of roll-up consolidation to Linux on z/VM



Nationwide[®] Saves \$16+ Million With Linux On Your Side[®] On System z

Problems:

- High TCO including data center power and floor space scarcity
 - New facility would cost \$10M+
- Long server provisioning process

Solution:

- 350 servers virtualized with 15 z990 IFLs 23 to 1 consolidation
 - 12 mission critical applications with 100,000+ users/day
- ▶ 50% reduction in Web hosting monthly costs
- 80% reduction in floor space and power conservation
- 50% reduction in hardware and OS support efforts
 - Significant savings on middleware costs
- Significantly faster provisioning speed (months \rightarrow days)
- Mainframe high availability and disaster recovery

Vastly improved TCO, Speed & Simplification

Nationwide Saves \$16+ Million With On Your Side⁻ Linux On System z

Update (August 2008):

- \$16M savings realized a year earlier than planned
 In 2 years not 3
- Up to 18 mission critical applications
 Added more WebSphere, Portal, and DB2
- Upgraded from z990 to z9 IFL's
- 517 virtual servers with 1,630 JVM's running on 35 z9 IFL's
 So, workloads that would have required 1,630 physical servers are running on 35 z9 IFL's 47 to 1 consolidation

Improved TCO, Speed and Simplification

Telemar Roll-up Consolidation Project

Largest provider of fixed-line telecommunications services in South America.

Consolidated 16 geographically dispersed UNIX servers on a centralized System z9 EC 16 to 1 consolidation







Benefits:

- Open-standards-based solution
- Maximized manageability, scalability, security and availability of its key business systems.
- Reduced need for server capacity by one-third
- Lowered operating and administration for maintaining email server applications.

Source Robert Frances Group



Case Study: Québec Government Runs Oracle At IFL Prices

Running 292 server instances on a z9-EC with 5 IFL's

- 200 Oracle, 80 WebSphere, 12 WebSphere messaging
- Reduced cost of hardware and software by 30%
 - Saved \$800,000 in licensing cost in the first year
- Used RACF for consistent security
- Each administrator can manage 100 consolidated Linux images (up from 30)
- Easy migration
 - Create new Linux server in 30 min (vs. 1 week 3 months)
 - Clone Oracle DB instance in 30-45 min (vs. 10 14 hours)
- Inherited benefits of z platform workload management, availability, disaster recovery, I/O bandwidth

Case Study: Consolidate On Mainframe vs. Keeping Dedicated Servers





Existing processors: 4 general purpose



Or maintain existing 292 server farm for Oracle data servers



3 year TCO \$9.06M

Annual operating cost \$0.67M

Breakeven in first year 3 year TCO

\$30.13M

Annual operating cost \$10.04 M

Case Study: Consolidate On Mainframe vs. Keeping Dedicated Servers

Mainframe Incremental Hardware			Mainframe Software				
OT	С	ANNUAL		OTC		ANNUAL	
3 IFL Processors	\$375,000	Processor ² Maintenance	\$52,524	z/VM	\$67,500	z/VM ²	\$16,890
		Power/Space ¹	\$47,073				
Conn. + Disk Acquisition	\$639,033	Conn. + Disk Maintenance 1	\$87,480			Oracle S&S ²	\$26,400
RAM (190GB)	\$1,140,000	System Admin ¹	\$386,518			Linux S&S ¹	\$45,000
Migration	\$4,920,492	On-Premise Network Maintenance ¹	\$8,935				
TOTAL	\$7,074,525	TOTAL \$582,530) (year 2, 3)	ΤΟΤΑΙ	\$67 500	TOTAL \$	88 290 (vear 2-3)
Dedicated Hardware			Dedicated Software				
OT	OTC ANNUAL		OTC ANNUAL		NNUAL		
Sunk Cost	\$0	Disk Maintenance 1	\$59,276	Sunk Costs	\$0	Oracle S&S ¹	\$2,569,600
		Server maintenance ¹	\$226,884				+_,
		Off-Premise Network 1	\$299,008			Linux S&S ¹	\$379,308
		Power/Floorspace ¹	\$501,656				
		System Admin ¹	\$5,944,828				
		On-Premise Network Maintenance ¹	\$62,196				
TOTAL	\$0	TOTAL	\$7,093,848	TOTAL	\$0	TOTAL	\$2,948,908

1 – Needs three years maintenance, 2 – Needs two years maintenance

Network Simplification





- Consolidation replaces cables and routers with internal connections
- Better performance and security



Case Study: Network Before Consolidation (292 Servers To 1 System z)

Catalyst 3560E-24TD – 24 ports 1gbps	25
Catalyst 3560E-12D – 12 ports 10gbps	6
50 Ft UTP Cable	584
10GB Eth Fiber Cable	60



Case Study: Network After Consolidation (292 Servers To 1 System z)

Network Simplification!

Better Performance and Security



Other Benefits Of Virtualization

- Fast provisioning of pre-installed and configured images
 - Minutes instead of days or weeks
 - No additional space, electric connections or network cables
- Compatible with the data center practice of standardizing on strategic software stacks
 - Pre-tested stacks
 - Consistent levels and patch
 - A management approach to achieve better stability
 - Jukebox selection of standard enterprise images

Demo: Provisioning using z/VM Center

Need a new machine? Let's see how fast we can get one...



Benefits Of Consolidation On The Mainframe

- Less hardware
- Fewer software licenses
- Less costly to manage
- Consumes less power and floor space
- Responsiveness to the business via faster provisioning
- Inherit the benefits of the mainframe platform
 - High reliability
 - I/O bandwidth
 - Consistent security
 - Systematic disaster recovery
- Lower annual costs!



Mainframe Labor Costs Per MIP Declining

- IBM Survey five years ago, average MIPS per person
 50 for z/OS
- Typical MIPS per person today
 150 to 700 for z/OS (1,300 to 2,000 for zLinux)
- A major bank went from 128 MIPS/person to 597 MIPS/person in 8 years with no extra people
- Gartner showed the MIPS/person doubling in 3 years at another site
- An outsourcer stated they doubled MIPS with only 20% increase in headcount

IBM Internal Project To Consolidate Over 3,000 Servers

- IBM expects substantial operational annual savings by consolidating 3,917 distributed servers to about 30 mainframes
 - 86% savings in system administration cost
 - 85% savings in floor space
 - 81% savings in power
 - 57% savings in network management
- \$81M savings per year including
 - Operational savings above
 - Hardware and software maintenance

TCO Case Studies Demonstrate Consistent Savings In Annual Operations Costs

Scenarios	Cost of Distributed vs.		Distributed	Cores vs.		Core
	z		Cost Ratio	z Processors		Ratio
Linux Consolidation Nationwide Quebec Govt Hannaford Brokerage Firm (Power) Brokerage Firm (Floor) Major Bank 	\$12.7M vs \$25.5M vs \$46.9M vs	\$7.8M \$10.7M \$19.9M	1.6x 2.4x 2.4x	$\begin{array}{ccc} 1630 \rightarrow \\ 292 \rightarrow \\ 150 \rightarrow \\ 112 \rightarrow \\ 180 \rightarrow \\ 520 \rightarrow \end{array}$	35 5 1 1 2 14	$47 \rightarrow 1$ $58 \rightarrow 1$ $150 \rightarrow 1$ $112 \rightarrow 1$ $90 \rightarrow 1$ $37 \rightarrow 1$

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Lower annual costs pay back initial migration investment quickly Core consolidation ratio varies with situation

What About Using VMWare On Intel?

- VMWare lacks the consolidation efficiency of z/VM
- Less efficient use of memory and storage
- Less efficient use of processors
- Not fully supported with enterprise software

	z/VM	VMWare
Maximum memory per virtual Linux server	More than 256GB	16GB
Maximum CPU's per virtual Linux server	Up to 64	Up to 4
Maximum "Active virtual memory" supported	Up to 8TB	16,384MB
Maximum virtual CPU's per core	Thousands	Up to 8
Maximum real memory	Up to 256GB	Up to 64GB
Maximum virtual servers per machine	Thousands	128
Call Oracle for support if you have a database problem?	Yes	No - uncertified

Result: Consolidation on z/VM Saves the Most Money

Comparison of consolidation options



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Cost of Different Linux Consolidation Solutions (Zoom on 0-300 Servers)

Comparison of Consolidation TCO



Do YOU Need To Consolidate?

- I/T department whose budget is consumed by operating cost?
- Contemplating new data centers due to power or floor space constraints?
- Need a systematic site failover plan for all applications and data?
- Quality of service issues?
- Lots of UNIX or Linux servers?
- Lots of small database servers scattered around (including Oracle)?



Service Oriented Finance Did A Roll-up Consolidation Of Linux Servers

I saved a lot of money by consolidating our Linux servers onto System z!



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