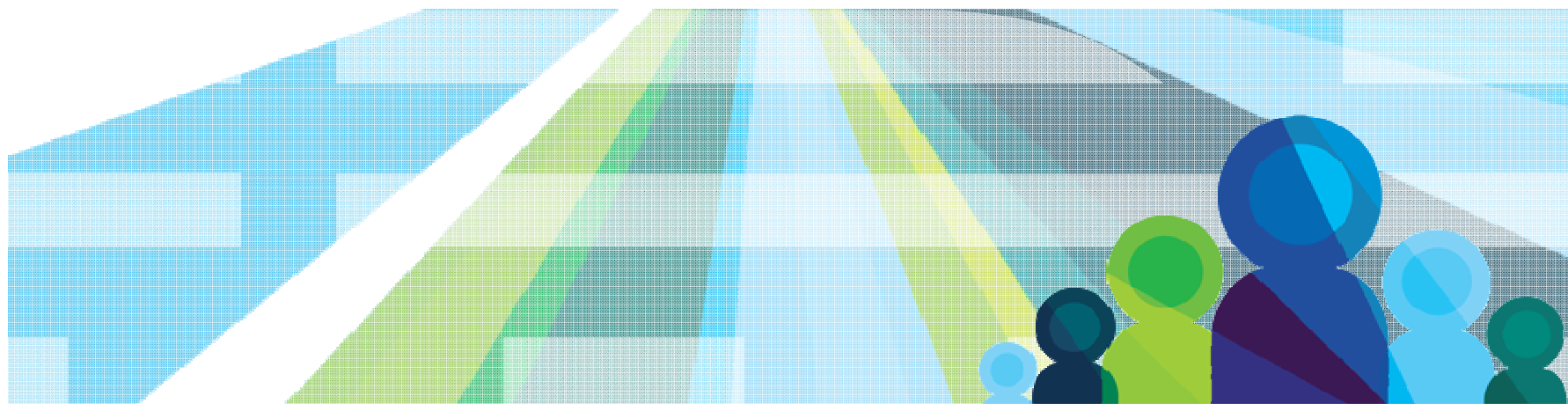


Pourquoi Linux on Power ?

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POWER platform: best known for...



Design point is “purposeful”

for new and existing Enterprise workloads (Analytics, Big Data, OLTP, ERP, SAP, etc.)

Design Goals

Increase the performance per core while reducing the cost per workload

Optimization

Integrate processor micro-architecture with hypervisor, OS, IBM middleware and storage

Designed for enterprise reliability

- *Higher Performance per Core = less software licenses needed to accomplish the same amount of work*
- *Less software licenses = lower cost per workload*

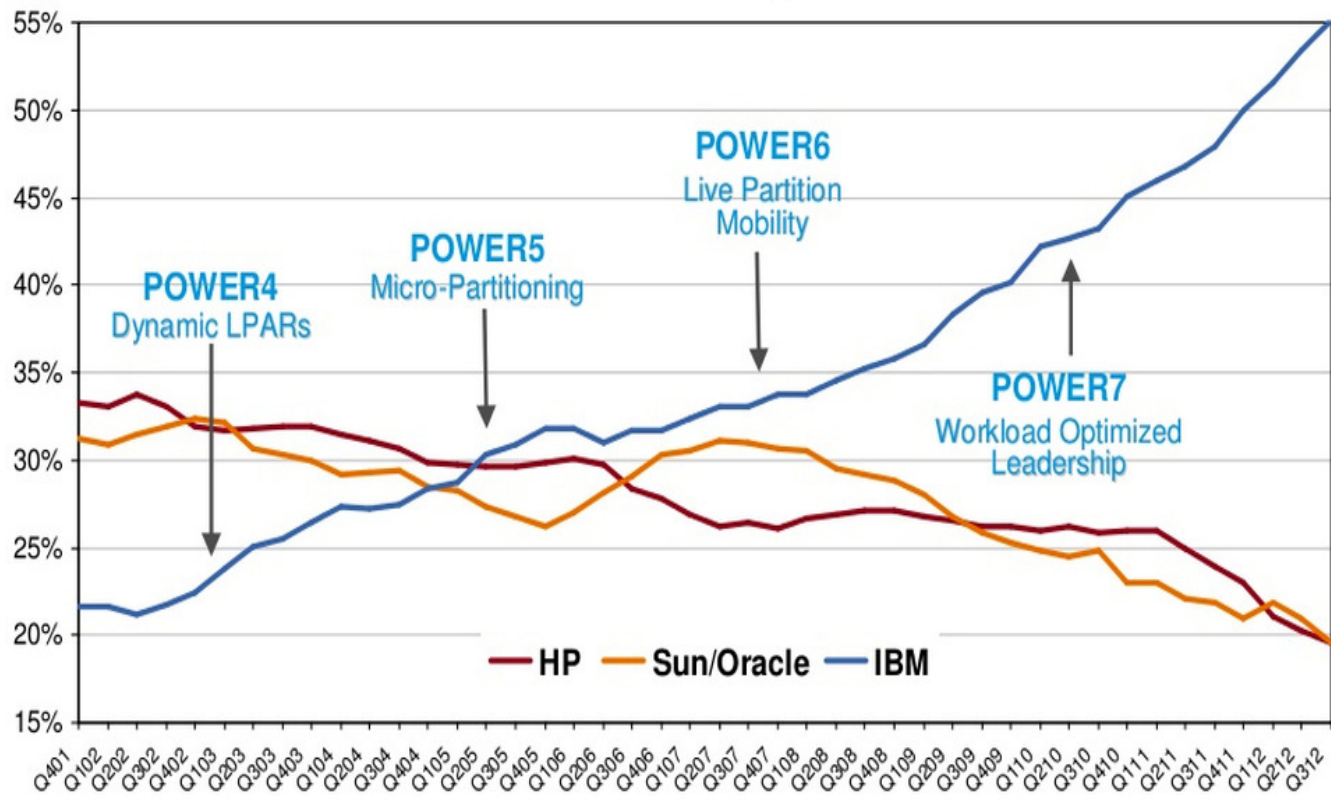
Traditional, back-office applications and workloads. We call these “Systems of Record.” If you are a retailer, think of your warehouse inventory records; if you are a healthcare provider, think of your patient records; if you are an insurer, your claims records, etc. In addition, there are traditional IT applications for customer relationship management, and finance and accounting systems, to name a few.



Systems of Record



IBM Power in the Unix market (market share)



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Power is not best known for...



Facts on Linux

Over 90% of world fastest supercomputers run on Linux

8 of the world's top 10 website run on Linux (Google, YouTube, Yahoo, Facebook, Twitter)

80% of all Stock Exchanges rely on Linux

US Department of Defense is the “single biggest install base for Red Hat Linux”

95% of the servers used by Hollywood animation films run on Linux



Systems of Engagement

“Systems of Engagement.” For online retailers, customers can browse what is in their stores, recommend items and complete transactions via their phones; insurers have new mobile apps where customers can file accident claims via their mobile devices; and so on. These new mobile and social apps require an infrastructure where they can be quickly developed, deployed, modified, and redeployed. And then of course, you want to turn the data generated from these applications into insights that can be acted on.



Power8 – innovation for today

More Cores

*Industry
Best Practice*

12 processor cores per socket (50% more than before) that deliver better per core performance

What this means

Enjoy better scale up performance, and more throughput per scale out server node.

More Threads

Industry Leading

SMT8 – 8 dynamic threads per core, supporting SMT1, 2, 4, & 8 modes dynamically across VMs

What this means

You choose – Deploy VM's in the optimal SMT mode based on application needs.

More Cache

Industry Leading

At 100MB, 3X the on-chip cache as POWER7 – plus 128MB of new off-chip cache as well

What this means

Memory-intensive applications (like database) will perform better as memory latency is enhanced.

More Bandwidth

Industry Leading

2.3X our prior gen (and 4.6X the competition) to memory, and 2.4X our prior gen to I/O.

What this means

Data-hungry applications (like big data & analytics) will respond twice as fast and scale more efficiently.



Understanding the impact of “more threads”



Intel HyperThreading: 2 x Threads per Core
Power Simultaneous Multi-Threading: 1 / 2 / 4 / 8 x Threads per Core
+ 1.6 times single thread performance of Power7+

Understanding the impact of “more bandwidth”

Data is here (Disks)



Processors are here



96 MB L3 cache
128 MB L4 cache
230GB/s sustained
memory bandwidth



Unusual transports

Unfortunately moving data is a different story



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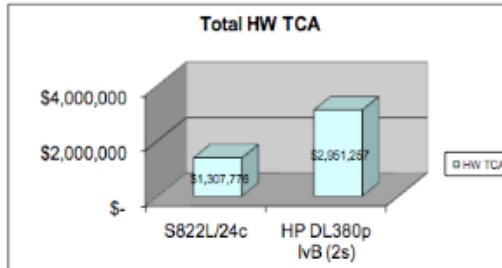


Power8 vs Intel: geek comparison

	Sandy Bridge EP	Ivy Bridge EP E5-26xx v2	Ivy Bridge EX E7-88xx v2	POWER 7+ Systems	POWER8
Clock rates	1.8–3.6GHz	1.7-3.7GHz	1.9-3.4 GHz	3.1–4.4 GHz	3.0-4.1 GHz
SMT options	1,2*	1, 2*	1, 2*	1, 2, 4	1, 2, 4, 8
Max Threads / sock	16	24	30	32	96
Max L1 Data Cache	32KB	32KB*	32KB*	32KB	64KB
Max L2 Cache	256 KB	256 KB	256 KB	256 KB	512 KB
Max L3 Cache	20 MB	30 MB	37.5 MB	80 MB	96 MB
Max L4 Cache	0	0	0	0	128 MB
Memory Bandwidth	31.4-51.2 GB/s	42.6-59.7 GB/s	68-85** GB/s	100 – 180 GB/sec	230 - 410 GB/sec

The equation between performance and \$\$\$

Do the same with less



Power S822L

- TCA/TCO is for 34 servers, **816 cores**
- **3x** better virtualized throughput vs. an HP 2 socket **Ivy Bridge**
- 2S, 24 cores each
- POWER8, 3.0GHz
- PowerVM

HP DL 380 G8

- TCA/TCO is for 100 servers, **2400 cores**
- 100 HP servers needed for – equal virtualized throughput of 34 Power S822L
- 2S, 24 cores each
- **Ivy Bridge**, 2.7GHz
- VMware vSphere Ent

66% Less Systems and Cores

*Lower SW Licenses Fees
Reduced Management Costs
Reduced Floor Space*

58% Lower HW TCA

Vs Ivy Bridge with VMWare

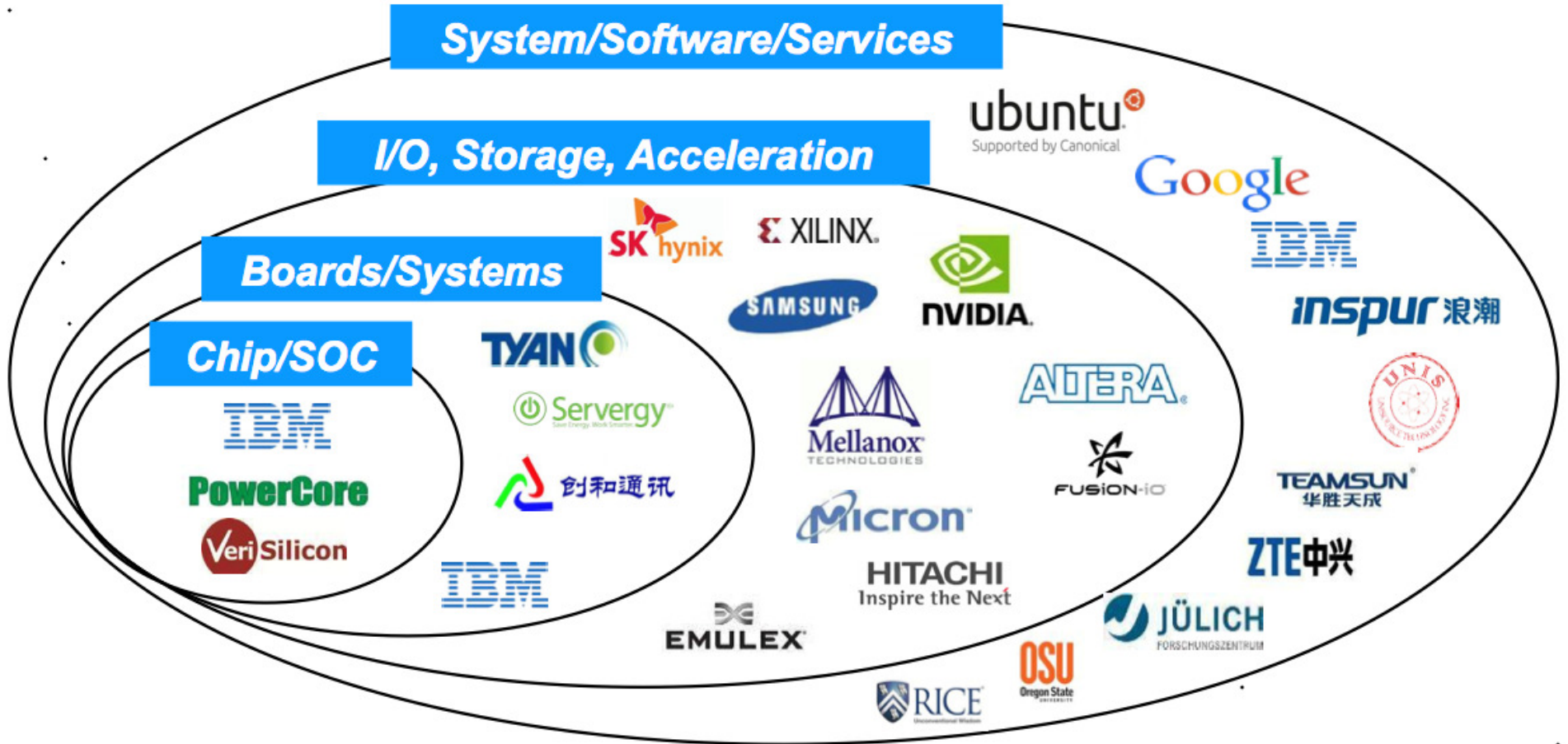
Do more with the same

Power8 delivers insights 82x faster

Running Cognos BI reports, with DB2 BLU acceleration vs Ivy Bridge with a traditional database

- DB2 with BLU Acceleration on POWER8 for Cognos BI is 'Fast on Fast on Fast!'
- First processor designed for Big Data to run more concurrent queries in parallel faster, across multiple cores with more threads per core
 - **18x more throughput for simple reports**
 - **40x more throughput for intermediate reports**
 - **747x better throughput for complex reports**

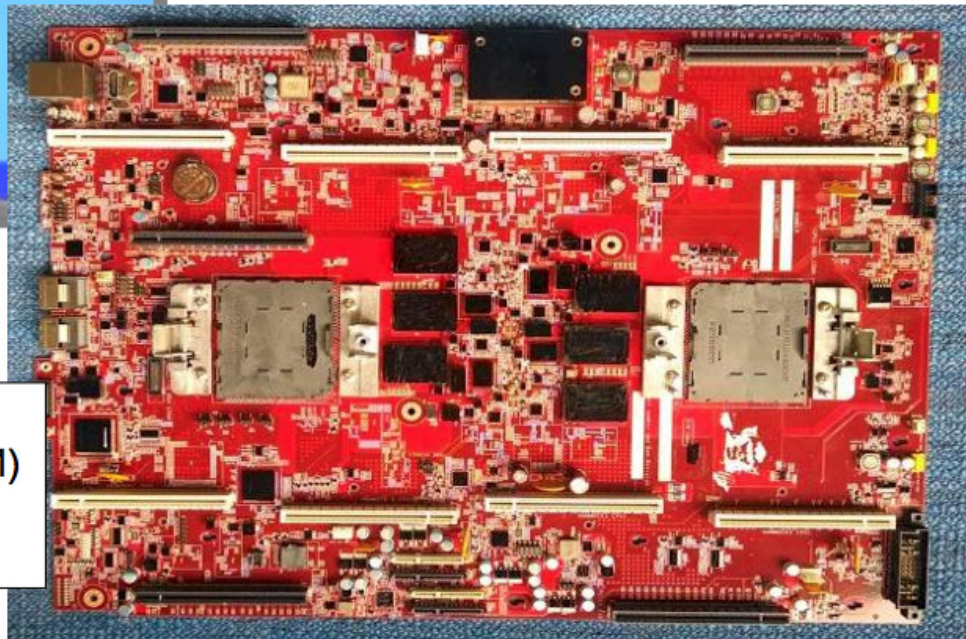
Additional information available in The Edison Group paper at https://www.ibm.com/services/forms/signup.do?source=stg-web&S_PKG=ov23147



Non IBM Power8 products



- The Tyan reference (ATX) board, SP010, measures 12" by 9.6"
- › one single-chip module (SCM)
 - › four DDR3 memory slots
 - › four 6 Gb/sec SATA peripheral connectors
 - › two USB 3.0 ports
 - › two Gigabit Ethernet network interfaces
 - › keyboard and video
 - › intended for developers

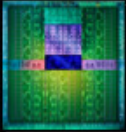


- The Google reference board
- › two single-chip module (SCM)
 - › four modified SATA ports
 - › Google use only




http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9241409/IBM_opens_up_Power_chip_design_partners_with_Google

That is why IBM NVIDIA Partners to Build Next-Generation Supercomputers

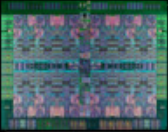


Tesla GPU




NVIDIA


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POWER8 CPU



IBM



GPU-Accelerated POWER-Based Systems Available in 2014

One of the more interesting aspects of OpenPower is IBM and Google partnering with Nvidia, which is tuning its CUDA parallel programming toolkit for Power processors. Both could help resolve the issue around the software and make Power another good alternative, McGregor said.



Power 8 – CPU or Accelerator ?

	Intel Xeon (E5-2697V2)	IBM Power 8	NVIDIA K40
Cores	12	12	15
Frequency (GHz)	2.7 (3.5)	4.116	0.745
GFLOPS (SP/DP)	259.2 / 129.6	790.3 / 395.1	4.29 / 1.43
Threads	24	96	240
GB/s (peak)	59.7	192	288
Vector unit (SP/DP)	8 / 4	4 / 2	32 / 32
Contexts (SP/DP)	24 / 24	96 / 96	1440 / 480



- Bandwidth of a GPU : entering the 200 GB/s range
- Flexibility of a CPU : small vector units
- Great FLOPS : 3x on the E5-V2.





How does it translate in real-world applications ?

FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY USE-CASE

- Fixed cash flows pricer – accumulate discounts of cash flows with linear interpolation on the interest rate

$$\pi = \sum_{\text{cash flows}} N * e^{-T * r(T)}$$
$$r(T) = \frac{T - T_-}{T_+ - T_-} * r_+ + \frac{T_+ - T}{T_+ - T_-} * r_-$$

- Implementations: Java, Default (C++), optimized with FMA, optimized without FMA. All implementations have same algorithmic optimizations (precalculated lookups and interpolations).

Default implementation of exp seems to be the biggest performance blocker



Growing the ecosystem

Success factors

- **Better TCA**
- **Better TCO** (thanks to “do even more with less”)
- **Even better TCO** for IBM Power Linux solutions (for aggressive PVU)

- **Choice of Hypervisor:** PowerKVM attracts MSP using OpenStack (Ubuntu in > 50% OpenStack deployment; Ubuntu > 50% Amazon EC2 Instances)
- **OpenPower:** open innovation
- **Bi-Endian:** choice granted by Linux distribution



Power virtualization options

Reflect the customer segmentation: enterprise vs born on web/cloud



PowerVM: Provides virtualization of Processors, Memory, Storage, & Networking for AIX, IBM i, and Linux environments on Power Systems.

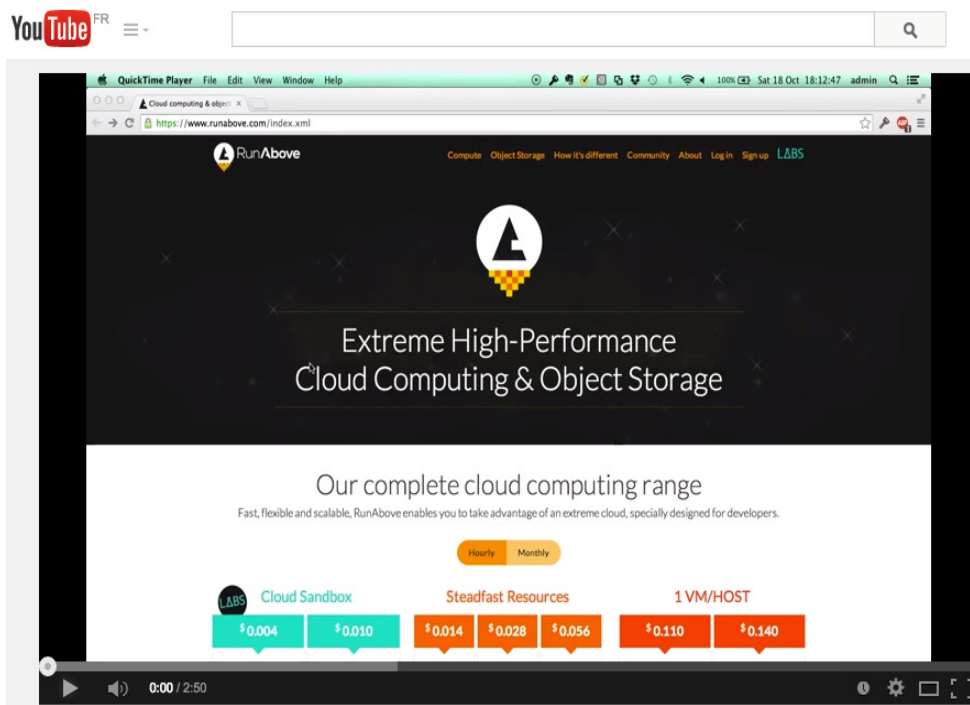
	PowerVM	PowerKVM
GA Availability	2004	Q2 2014
Supported Hardware	All P6, P7, P7+, P8 Systems	PowerLinux P8 Systems S812L & S822L
Supported OS	AIX, IBM i & Linux	Linux
Workload Mobility	Supports AIX, IBM i & Linux	Linux
Basic Virtualization Management	IVM / HMC / FSM	Virtman/libvirt
Advanced Virtualization Management	PowerVC/VMControl	PowerVC, Vanilla OpenStack
Admin Type	Power Centric	Linux/x86 Centric
Established Security Track Record on Power	Yes	No
Open Source Hypervisor	No	Yes



PowerKVM: Open Source option for virtualization on Power Systems for Linux workloads.



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kE4cjPW2q14>

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POWER8

RunAbove

Power 8 is the latest generation of IBM CPUs, designed and built especially for very intensive parallelized computing. Real use case shows that these systems, using their « scale out » approach to distribute the operations to dozens of threads, can provide up to 100 times the power of a classic x86 setup.

Runabove.com – history of OVH and Power8



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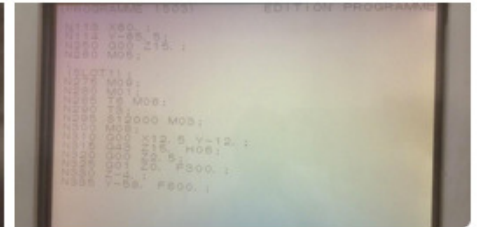
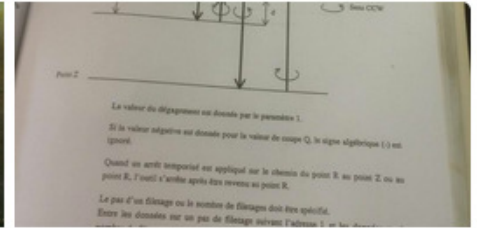
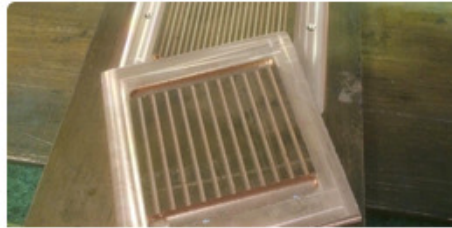
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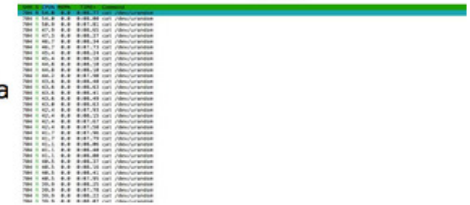
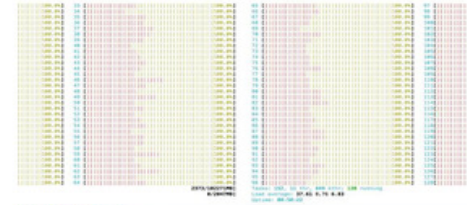
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@olesovhcom Du #PowerVC #PowerKVM en masse \o/. le P8 ouvre des nouvelles oportunités et ne sera plus reservé aux Banques/Assurances/etc..

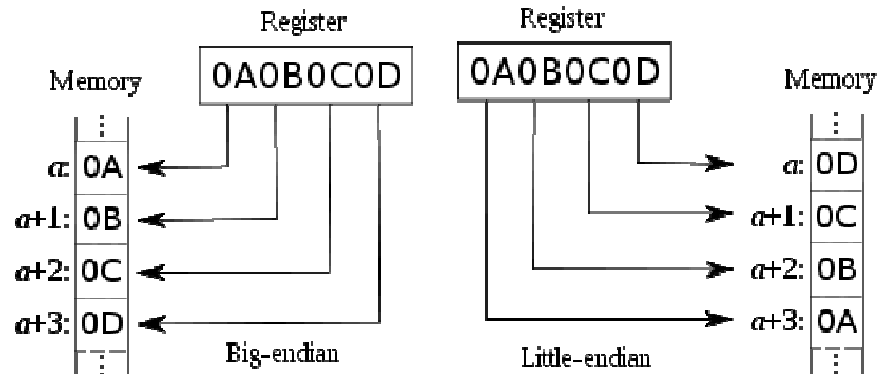


IBM SWG licensing (Power vs Intel)

Processor Technologies												
Processor Brand			Processor Type									
Processor Vendor	Processor Name	Server model numbers	Maximum number of sockets per server	Cores per socket					IFL Engine	Proc. Model Number	PVUs per Core	
				(1)	(2)	(4)	(6)	(8)				(12)
IBM	POWER Systems cores running Linux OS	7R1, 7R2, 7R4 POWER IFL, p24L, S812L, S822L	All			■	■	■	■		All	70
		Any POWER System core running Linux										
	POWER8	S814, S822, S824	2				■	■	■		All	70
	POWER7 ⁴	770, 780, 795	> 4			■	■	■			All	120
		750, 755, 760, 775, PS704, p460, Power ESE	4			■	■	■			All	100
		PS700-703, 710-740, p260, p270	2			■	■	■			All	70
POWER6	550, 560, 570, 575, 595	All		■						All	120	
	520, JS12, JS22, JS23, JS43	All		■						All	80	

Processor Vendor	Processor Name	Maximum number of sockets per server	Cores per socket								Proc. Model Number ¹	PVUs per Core	
			(1)	(2)	(4)	(6)	(8)	(10)	(12)	(16)			
Intel®	Xeon® (Sandy Bridge EP)	4			■	■	■				E5-4600 to 4699	100	
		2			■	■	■	■			E5-1400 to 1499 E5-1600 to 1699 E5-1600V2 to 1699V2 E5-2400 to 2499 E5-2600 to 2699 E5-2600V2 to 2699V2	70	
	> 4	Xeon® (Nehalem EX) ²									6500 to 6599 7500 to 7599 E3-1200 to 1299	120	
			4			■	■	■	■	■	E3-1200 V2 to 1299V2 E7-2800 to 2899	100	
			2								E7-4800 to 4899 E7-8800 to 8899	70	
		Xeon® (Nehalem EP)	2			■	■	■			3400 to 3699 5500 to 5699	70	
		Xeon® (pre-Nehalem)	All			■	■	■			3000 to 3399 5000 to 5499 7000 to 7499	50	
	AMD	Opteron	All			■	■	■	■			All	50
	Any	Any single-core	All	■								All	100

What is endianness



In computing, memory commonly stores binary data by organizing it into 8-bit units called bytes. When reading or writing a data word consisting of multiple such units, the order of the bytes stored in memory determines the interpretation of the data word.

Each memory storage location is associated with an index, called its address, which indicates its position. Bytes of a single data word are generally stored in consecutive memory addresses.

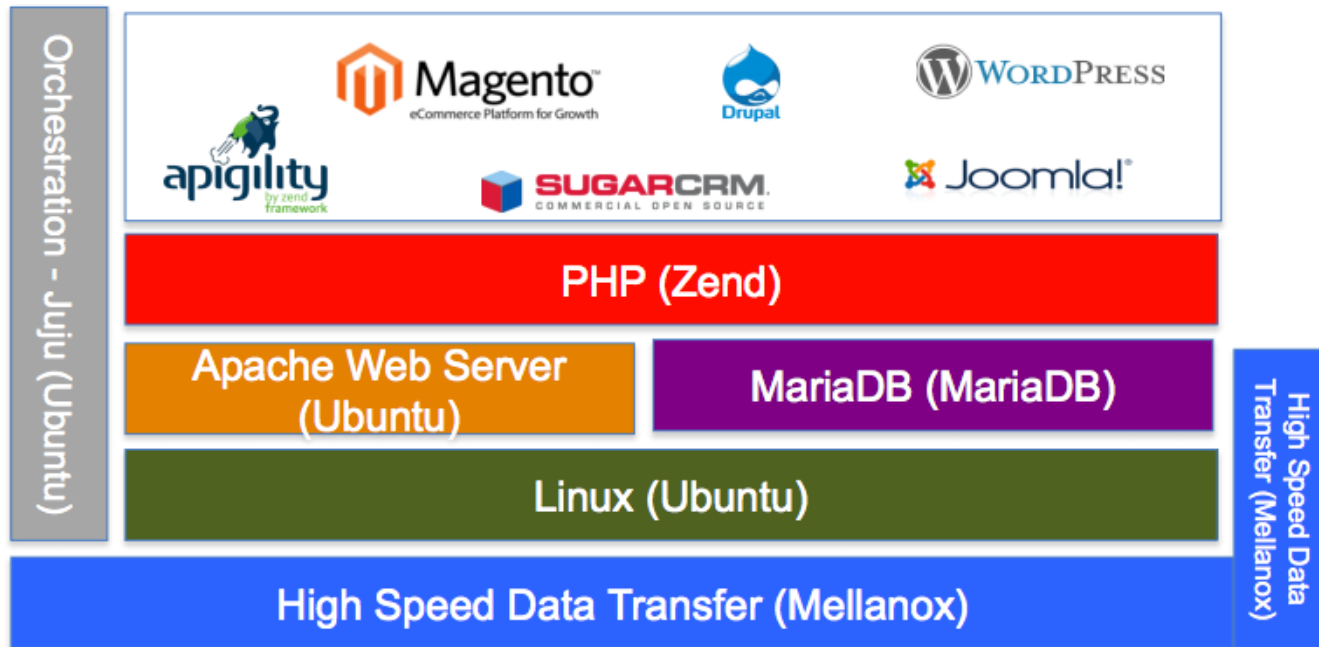
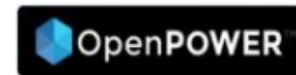
Big-endian systems store the most significant byte of a word in the smallest address and the least significant byte is stored in the largest address.

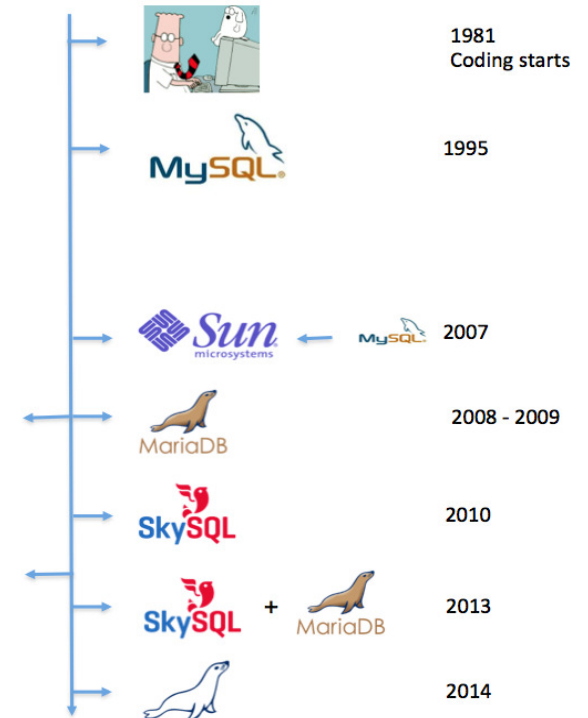
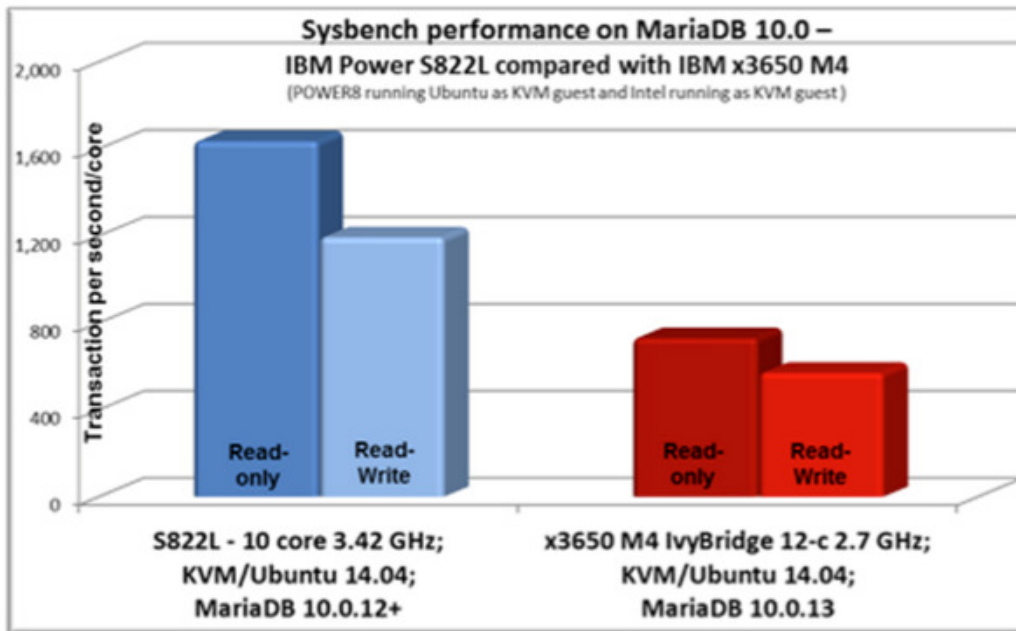
Little-endian systems, in contrast, store the least significant byte in the smallest address.

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Endianness>



Open Power for Open Source partners





Preliminary benchmarking results shows that MariaDB performance on POWER8 per core is 2.2x more than on x86. Source: MariaDB



- Benefits**
- ✓ Oracle Compatibility
 - ✓ Enhanced Performance Features
 - ✓ Advanced Security
 - ✓ Postgres Enterprise Manager
 - ✓ Virtual Private Database
 - ✓ Index Advisor
 - ✓ MS SQL Server Replication
 - ✓ All Benefits from EDB Tools

License Fee Per Core

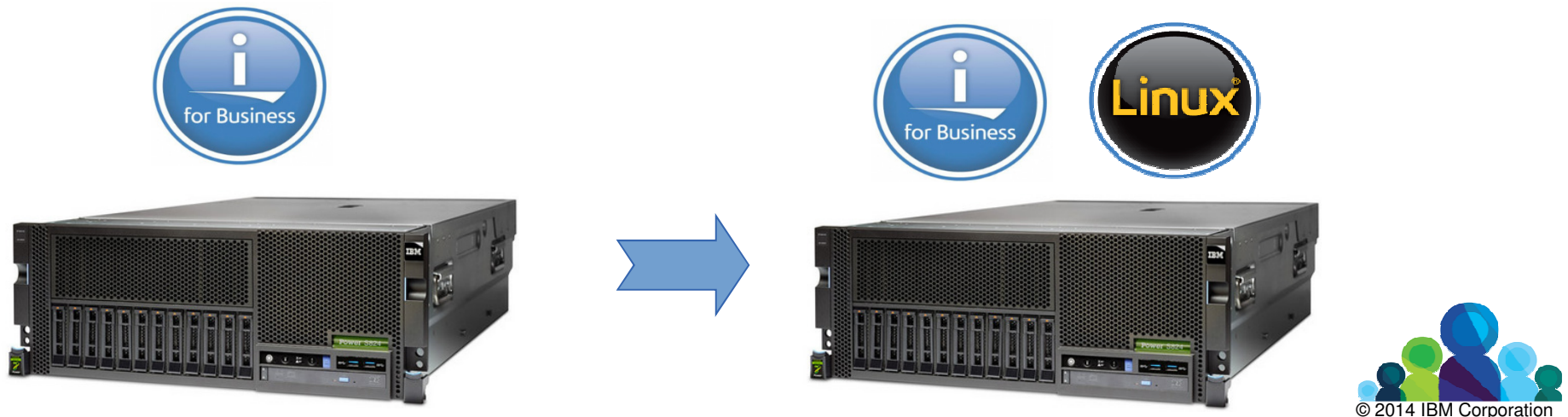
	Oracle Enterprise Edition <i>(4 sockets/32 cores) (Power processor)</i>	EDB Postgres Plus Enterprise Edition <i>(4 sockets/32 cores) (Power processor)</i>
Database	\$47,500	included in subscription
Partitioning	\$11,500	Included
Data Guard	\$11,500	Included
Diagnostics	\$5,000	Included
Total License Fee per Core	\$75,500	included in subscription
Total License Fee per Server (CapEx)	\$2,416,000	\$0
Annual support/subscription cost per core	22% of License Fee	\$6,900 per socket
Annual Support/Maintenance per Server (OpEx)	\$531,520	\$27,600
Total 3 Year License and Support Cost	\$4,010,560	\$82,800

No CAPEX • Annual OPEX reduction **95%** • 3 YR TCO cost savings **98%**



What's the easiest way to try it, for IBMi clients?

- Primary OS could be IBMi: Linux is a secondary OS
- Enabler: IBMi promo
 - Power standard comes with a Linux license almost for free
- Value proposition:
 - Business Intelligence (existing Power workload being the Data Source)
 - Infrastructural add-on
 - Front-ends (web-applications)





Previous architecture



Other environments

Each component required a server or virtual server, leading to additional costs for hardware or virtualization licenses. Complexity increasing exponentially

Power

Only a part of the solution on the enterprise level platform. Lot of unused resources



CRM	Workflow
Qualità	B2B / B2C
App	Configuratore
...	Project Management

- Jgalileo Business Logic (RPG-CLLE-Java)
- Jgalileo DB (db2 for i)
- Archiviazione Documentale (GD)
- Spedizione Documenti (SD)

Clients

Rich Client is resource consuming (CPU, Memory, Network). Presentation speed depends on Client.

ISV view

Rich Client has to be maintained and supported on too many OS.





New architecture



Client

Thanks to x2go the front-end is executed on the server, with the logic of terminal application (citrix-like). From a maintainability perspective everything is on the server.



- CRM
- Qualità
- App
- Workflow
- B2B / B2C
- Configuratore
- Project Management

Power

Consolidated design eases High Availability and Disaster Recovery

- Jgalileo Business Logic (RPG-CLLE-Java)
- Jgalileo DB (db2 for i)
- Archiviazione Documentale (GD)
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Linux

Re-use the free resources for running "other" workloads, instead of allocating additional servers for this.



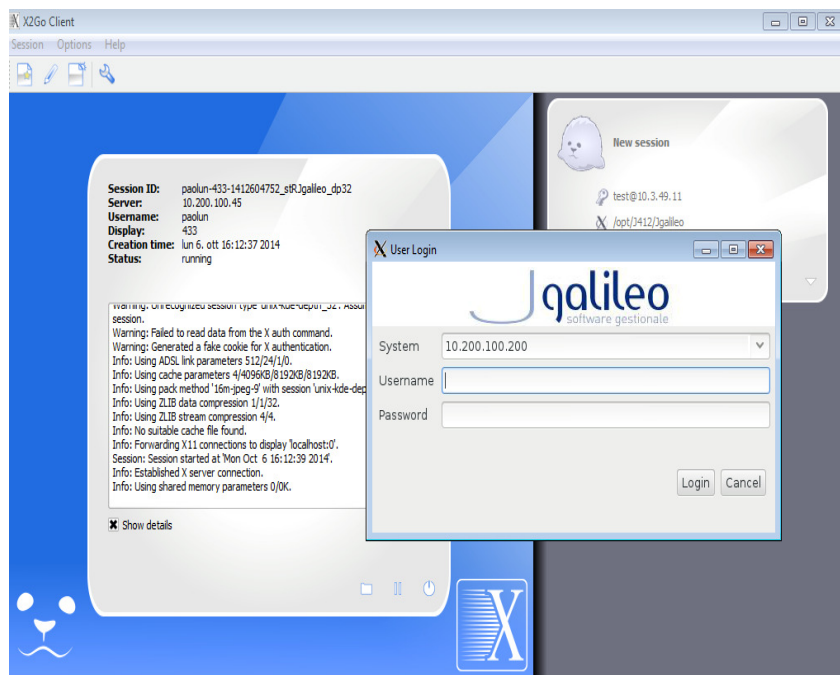


X2go for presentation logic



X2GO Client

*Installed on the user's laptop/desktop.
Allows the presentation logic within a terminal application window.
Supports Windows, MacOS, Linux.*



X2GO Server

*Installed on a Linux on Power partition.
Sends the visual session executed on Linux on Power to the x2go client.*

*Communication is optimized (compressed) and is designed to work also when network bandwidth is poor.
Supports encryption.*



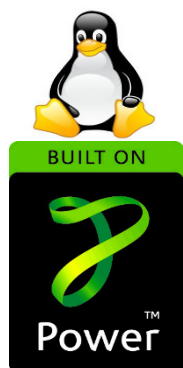
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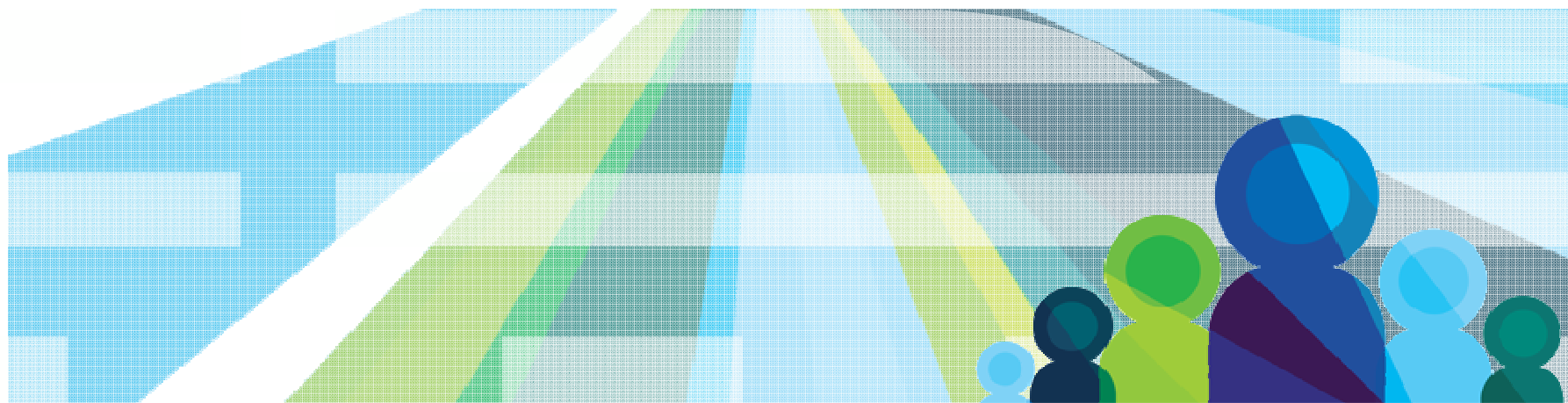
*~2x improvement from Power7+ to Power8
... Marketing does not lie!*

~3x improvement with JVM, OS and Hypervisor tuning





Resources for ISVs



Tools and Assets

- Porting/Migration tools:
 - Chiphopper (migration/validation support with marketing benefits)
 - Rapid Port Program (migration support)
 - Migration Factory
- Testing/Performance optimization:
 - **21** Innovation Centers in Europe, in **19** countries (3 x **ESP POWER8**)
 - All IIC capable of performing POWER engagements
 - Montpellier PowerLinux Center
 - STG Lab Services
- Hardware Platform (other than IIC and MOP):
 - Power Development Platform
 - Hardware Malls (hardware on premises via leases and discounts)
- Co-marketing:
 - IBM/ISV joint marketing events
- Sales Kit
 - Eagle TCO

IBM Systems Application Advantage (Chiphopper)

If you answer yes to these questions, you are an excellent candidate for IBM Chiphopper

- Is your application written in C/C++, Java, COBOL, SmallTalk, PHP, Perl, Python or Shell?
- Does your application run on a Linux 32-bit or 64-bit x86 processor and does not have hardware-specific code or use your own kernel modules?
- Are you interested in porting your application to Red Hat Enterprise Linux or SUSE Linux Enterprise Server on IBM Power Systems, System z or both?

If you are still not sure if Chiphopper is right for you, send an email to chiphop@us.ibm.com. We can help you find the right IBM resources to assist you with your multi-platform Linux work.

Entry criteria

- IBM Partnerworld Member
- ISV nominate application for Chiphopper online: ibm.com/isv/go/chiphopper
- Leverage PDP or IIC for testing

IBM Power Development Cloud

The Power Cloud that enables developers offers no-charge remote access to IBM hardware, including IBM POWER8™, IBM POWER7+™ and IBM POWER7™ processor-based servers on the IBM AIX®, IBM i and Linux® operating systems.

PDP is intended for Development, Porting and Functional testing only.

User systems include virtualized CPU, disk and networking. Users have root access to their systems but cannot access the Hardware Management Console (HMC) or the Virtual I/O Server (VIOS). Reservation duration is up to 14 days with configuration defaults. System defaults can be adjusted using a promotional code.

Access to IBM Middleware.

<https://www.ibm.com/partnerworld/pdp>

	POWER8™ with AIX & Linux	PowerKVM™ with Linux	POWER8™ with IBM i
Server specification	IBM Power System S824	IBM Power System S822L	IBM Power System S824
OS supported	AIX 7.1, AIX 6.1, RHEL 6.5, SLES 11.3	RHEL7, Ubuntu 14.04	IBM i7.2
vCPU/Memory	1 to 2 vCPU / 2 to 4 GB RAM	1 to 2 vCPU / 2 to 4 GB RAM	1 to 2 vCPU / 2 to 4 GB
Storage space	35 GB storage on IBM System Storage® DS8000®	15 to 35 GB storage on IBM Storwize V7000®	100 GB storage on IBM System Storage® DS8000®
% of real CPU per Virtual CPU	20%	20%	20%

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Entry criteria

- Countries: Europe, North America
- Membership: All levels
- Cost: Variable

IBM Migration Support

The IBM Migration Factory makes it easier than you think with resources to help you move your solutions to the IBM POWER platform and help you differentiate your solutions from others. Read about some of the thousands of customers that have gained the POWER platform advantages and how they were able to provide exceptional client experience.

- Port to multiplatform Linux
- Solaris to Linux
- HP-UX to Linux
- Windows to Linux
- Skills migrations and re-platforming

<http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/power/migratetoibm/path.html>

IBM Innovation Centers (IIC)

The IBM Innovation Centers offer the resources you need including technical expertise, marketing and sales facilities and skills, and IBM hardware and software. Collaborate with IBM and other Business Partners through our worldwide centers.

21 Innovation Centers in Europe, in **19** countries (3 x **ESP POWER8**)

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Value

- Offer technical skills and hardware access across multiple platforms, local or remote, at little or no cost.
- Shorten development and testing time with hands-on assistance and leading edge technology.
- Qualify for "Ready for" marks to broaden your marketing reach
- Attend workshops, seminars, and more conducted by trained subject matter experts.
- Support Proof-of-concept or prototyping, Validation testing, Porting and enabling on IBM platforms, IBM operating systems (also specific Linux distributions) and IBM middleware, migration, integration testing, and performance and scalability testing



IBM Power Systems Linux Centers

The Centers leverage existing capabilities within IBM to deliver services to Clients, ISVs, SIs and MSPs.

Center Locations

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Capabilities

Briefing, demonstrations, porting and migration assistance, optimization and benchmarking, training

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Value

- Tailored customer briefings to learn about using Power Systems to deploy world-class Linux applications. Linux training workshops for how to program, port and optimize applications using Red Hat and SUSE environments on Power Systems.
- Hands-on assistance to show developers how to take advantage of Power parallel processing and advanced virtualization capabilities.

IBM Systems Lab Services

IBM Systems Lab Services helps BPs and ISVs to drive faster adoption of new technologies. IBM Lab Services has over 50 experienced Linux on Power technical consultants (world-wide).

IBM Lab Services teams with IBM Business Partners and ISVs to assist with technically complex on client site situations including proof of concepts, application performance optimization, virtualization optimization and management.

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Support for ISVs

- Power Systems Linux web site
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