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Two new capping options

<i>Function</i>	<i>z/OS release</i>	V2.2	V2.1
<i>z13 GA2 LPAR Absolute group capping</i>		OA47752	OA47752
Absolute MSU capping		OA49201	OA49201

▪ LPAR absolute group capping

- Feature of PR/SM as of z13 GA2, and z13s
- Like LPAR absolute capping but for a group of LPARs
- Specified on the HMC as number of processors with 2 decimal places (like 3.75). All processor classes supported.
- Recognized by WLM as possible limit to the LPAR capacity

▪ WLM Absolute MSU capping

- Function of WLM provided by APAR OA49201. Requires zEC12 GA2 or later.
- Similar to WLM defined capacity or group capacity but LPAR will always be capped
 - Independent of 4 hour rolling average consumption.
 - General purpose processor
- Specified in IEAOPTxx.
Limit is the LPAR defined capacity or group capacity specified on the HMC in **MSU**.

Using absolute MSU capping

IEAOPTxx ABSMSUCAPPING=	
<u>NO</u>	Defined capacity limits and group capacity limits should be enforced only while the long term four hour rolling average consumption exceeds the respective limit (existing and usually desired behavior).
YES	Defined capacity limits and group capacity limit should be enforced permanently, independently of the long term four hour rolling average consumption. Becomes effective on zEC12 GA2 or later.

- AbsMSUcapping=Yes limits LPAR consumption to a certain MSU number at all times.
 - I.e., the system loses the flexibility of consuming above the defined capacity limit while the four hour rolling average is below the limit.
- Limit remains stable even when CEC configuration changes, e.g. through On/Off CoD or CBU activations or deactivations.
 - Absolute MSU capping is an effective means to permanently limit the consumption of an LPAR to a specific MSU figure at all times
 - including times when the *four-hour rolling average* does not exceed the defined limit.

Using absolute MSU capping with group capacity

- When used with an LPAR capacity group:
 - Limit on behalf of the group entitlement will always be enforced
 - Regardless of the *four-hour rolling group average* consumption.
 - As with AbsMSUcapping=NO, an LPAR is allowed to take benefit of the unused group capacity
 - Unless the LPAR is also capped via other LPAR limits.
 - All members of a capacity group that use AbsMSUcapping=YES will permanently enforce the limit on behalf of the capacity group.
 - All members of a capacity group that do *not* use AbsMSUcapping=YES will be capped while the group *four-hour rolling group average* consumption is greater or equal to the group limit

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Comparison of capping types

→ New capping types (spring 2016)

Type of capping	Scope	Specification unit	Proc types	Stability of limit under configuration changes	Suitable to isolate LPARs or LPAR groups	Control point
Initial (hard) capping	LPAR	LPAR share of CPC capacity	Any	-	+	SE/HMC
LPAR Absolute capping (zEC12 GA2 and later)	LPAR	Fractional #processors		○	+	
LPAR Group Absolute Capping (z13 GA2 and later)	Group of LPARs	Fractional #processors		○	+	
Defined capacity (DC, soft capping)	LPAR	MSU (4HRA)	CP	+	-	SE/HMC + IEAOPT
LPAR group capacity (GC, soft capping)	Group of LPARs	MSU (4HRA)		+	-	
Absolute MSU Capping	LPAR or Group	MSU		+	+ (CP only)	
Resource group capping	Groups of service classes in Sysplex or per LPAR	Unweighted CPU SU/sec, fraction of LPAR share, or fractional #CPs	CP*	+	N/A	WLM Policy
Logical configuration	LPAR	Integer #processors	Any	○	+ but coarse grain	HMC+OS

PR/SM controlled

WLM controlled, PR/SM enforced

WLM controlled

Which capping techniques may be combined?

Type of capping→	Initial (hard capping)	LPAR Absolute capping	LPAR Absolute group capping	Defined capacity ⁽¹⁾	LPAR group capacity ⁽¹⁾	Resource group capping
Initial (hard capping)		+	+	-	-	+
LPAR Absolute capping	+		+	+	+	+
LPAR Group Absolute capping	+	+		+	(2)	+
Defined capacity ⁽¹⁾	-	+	+		+	+
LPAR group capacity ⁽¹⁾	-	+	(2)	+		+
Resource group capping	+	+	+	+	+	

- (1) Includes ABSMSUCAPPING=NO and ABSMSUCAPPING=YES
(2) Is compatible if LPAR Group is the same

Reporting enhancements for CICS, IMS, and Mobile and Cloud Workloads

- [Mobile Workload Pricing](#) (MWP) is an IBM Software Pricing option, announced in May 2014
- [Workload Pricing for Cloud](#) (zWPC) is an IBM Software Pricing option, announced in July 2016
- For eligible software both can reduce the cost of transactions that originate from mobile devices or new public cloud workloads
 - MWP and zWPC can mitigate the impact of such workloads on sub-capacity license charges, specifically in the cases where higher mobile or cloud transaction volumes may cause a spike in machine utilization
- Reporting enhancements for CICS, IMS, and Mobile and Cloud Workloads introduce WLM enhancements that can simplify the identifying and reporting of the mobile- or cloud-sourced transactions and their processor consumption

Enablement of Reporting Enhancements for Mobile Workloads

<i>Function</i>	<i>z/OS release</i>	<i>z/OS V2.1</i>	<i>z/OS V2.2</i>	<i>Other</i>
WLM: Reporting Enhancements for Mobile Workloads		<i>OA47042</i>	<i>OA47042</i>	
RMF Reporting Enhancements for Mobile Workloads		<i>OA48466</i>	<i>OA48466</i>	
<i>z/OSMF</i> Reporting Enhancements for Mobile Workloads		<i>PI47638</i>	<i>PI47638</i>	
CICS TS Reporting Enhancements for Mobile Workloads				<i>CICS 5.3</i>
IMS TM Reporting Enhancements for Mobile Workloads				<i>IMS 14 PI46933 (available) PI51948 (1H2016*)</i>
<i>SCRT and Billing System Support</i>				<i>SCRT 23.13.0 (mobile, available) SCRT 24.10.0 (cloud, available)</i>

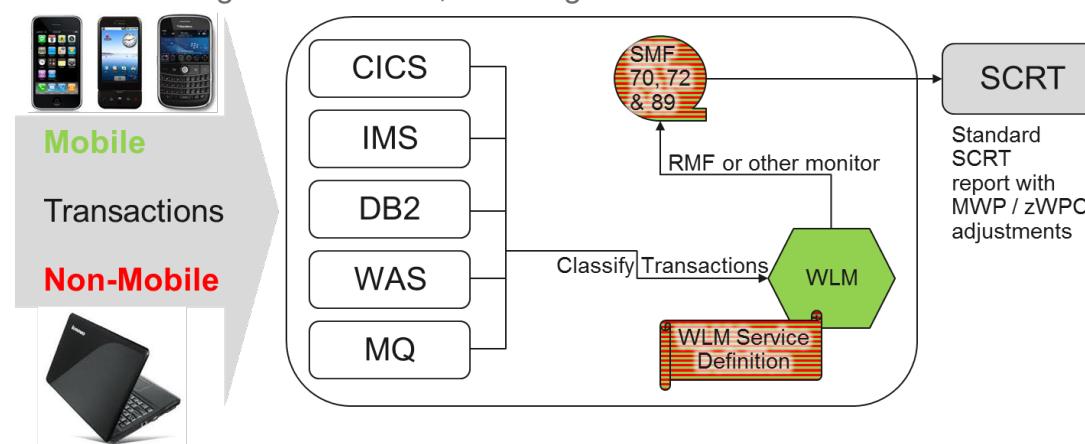
Identifying Mobile and Cloud Workload

MWP and zWPC offer a discount on MSUs consumed by transactions that originated from a mobile device or new public cloud workloads

To take advantage of this discount, you need a process, agreed upon by you and IBM, to **identify (tag and track)** mobile- or cloud-sourced transactions and report on their consumption

→ **NEW** Identify mobile or cloud transaction via a **transaction level attribute** in the WLM service definition

- Processor consumption data aggregated by WLM
- Reporting integrated into standard performance monitors (RMF) and low volume SMF records
- Applicable to wide range of workloads, including enclave work and CICS/IMS work



Identifying Mobile and Cloud Workload (cont.)

- In your WLM classification rules, classify transactions as **MOBILE, CATEGORYA or CATEGORYB**
- The assigned attribute is independent from the assigned service and report class
 - Eliminates the need for using new dedicated classes for mobile or cloud workload reporting
- The assigned attribute is transparent to subsystems
- WLM tracks and reports the total and the **MOBILE, CATEGORYA and CATEGORYB CPU consumption** for all service and report classes
 - With exploiting levels of CICS and IMS, CPU consumption data is also available for CICS and IMS transaction service and report classes that previously did not report any CPU consumption data
 - Subsystems using independent enclaves can participate transparently; only the classification rules need to be updated.
- WLM also aggregates and reports the **system-wide MOBILE, CATEGORYA and CATEGORYB consumption** data

Using the New Support – An Example

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----- Modify Rules for the Subsystem Type ----- Row 1 to 16 of 16
Command ==> _____ Scroll ===> CSR

Subsystem Type . : CICS      Fold qualifier names? Y (Y or N)
Description . . : CICS rules

Action codes: A=After      C=Copy      M=Move      I=Insert rule
              B=Before     D=Delete row  R=Repeat    IS=Insert Sub-rule
                           More ==>
Action   Type      Qualifier----- Class----- Service Report
         Name      Start          DEFUALTS: CICSDFT CICS_DFT
----- 1 TC      BANKING      _____
----- 2 TN      BTRAD        _____
----- 3 CT      TCPMOB       _____
----- 2 TN      BDIRECT      _____
----- 3 CT      TCPMOB       _____
----- 1 TC      HR           _____
                                         CICSSLOW
                                         BTRAD
                                         BDIRECT
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Scroll right twice

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Description . . : CICS rules

Action codes: A=After      C=Copy      M=Move      I=Insert rule
              B=Before     D=Delete row  R=Repeat    IS=Insert Sub-rule
                           More ==>
Action   Type      Qualifier----- Storage Critical Reporting Manage Region
         Name      Start          Critical Attribute Using Goals Of
----- 1 TC      BANKING      NO      NONE      N/A
----- 2 TN      BTRAD        NO      NONE      N/A
----- 3 CT      TCPMOB       NO      MOBILE   N/A
----- 2 TN      BDIRECT      NO      NONE      N/A
----- 3 CT      TCPMOB       NO      MOBILE   N/A
----- 1 TC      HR           NO      NONE      N/A
```

Using the New Support – RMF Sample Workload Activity Report (I)

Get processor consumption data for CICS and IMS transactions from **low-volume** SMF records:

REPORT BY: POLICY=BASE	WORKLOAD=CICSWKLD	SERVICE CLASS=CICSF <color>FAST</color>	RESOURCE GROUP=*NONE
CRITICAL =NONE			
DESCRIPTION =CICS fast Service class			
-TRANSACTIONS- TRANS-TIME HHH.MM.SS.TTT			
AVG 0.00 ACTUAL 1.432			
MPL 0.00 EXECUTION 710			
ENDED 632 QUEUED 0			
END/S 10.58 R/S AFFIN 0			
#SWAPS 0 INELIGIBLE 0			
EXCTD 631 CONVERSION 0			
AVG ENC 0.00 STD DEV 0			
REM ENC 0.00			
MS ENC 0.00			
MOBILE : CP 99.16 AAP/IIP ON CP 0.00 AAP/IIP 0.00			



Using the New Support – RMF Sample Workload Activity Report (II)

Use processor consumption data for CICS and IMS transactions for charge-back:

REPORT BY	Overall consumption for CICS transaction service class	WORKLOAD=CICSWKLD	SERVICE CLASS=CICSFAST	RESOURCE GROUP=*NONE
TRANSACTIONS APPL% :	TOTAL : CP 185.92 MOBILE : CP 99.16	AAP/IIP ON CP	0.00	AAP/IIP 0.00
TRANSACTIONS APPL% :	AAP/IIP ON CP	0.00	AAP/IIP 0.00	
REPORT CLASS=BTRAD	40% can be charged back to the traditional banking division	DESCRIPTION =Report Class for tradit.banking		
TRANSACTIONS APPL% :	TOTAL : CP 74.32 MOBILE : CP 24.84	AAP/IIP ON CP	0.00	AAP/IIP 0.00
TRANSACTIONS APPL% :	AAP/IIP ON CP	0.00	AAP/IIP 0.00	
REPORT CLASS=BDIRECT	60% can be charged back to the direct banking division	DESCRIPTION =Report Class for direct banking		
TRANSACTIONS APPL% :	TOTAL : CP 111.59 MOBILE : CP 74.32	AAP/IIP ON CP	0.00	AAP/IIP 0.00
TRANSACTIONS APPL% :	AAP/IIP ON CP	0.00	AAP/IIP 0.00	

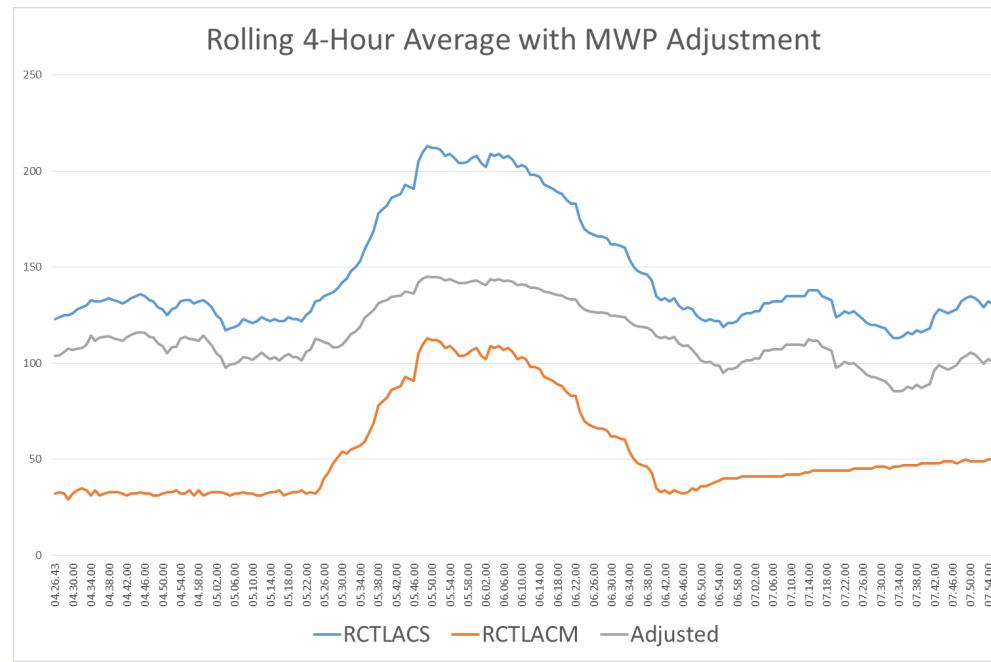
Using the New Support – RMF Sample Workload Activity Report (III)

Check region overhead of CICS and IMS regions:

REPORT BY: POLICY=BASE		WORKLOAD=STCWORK		SERVICE CLASS=VEL80		RESOURCE GROUP=*NONE	
		CRITICAL	=NONE	DESCRIPTION	=Velocity=80 goal		
-TRANSACTIONS- TRANS-TIME HHH.MM.SS.TTT --DASD I/O-- ---SERVICE--- SERVICE TIME ---APPL %--- --PROMOTED-- ----STORAGE----							
AVG	3.00	ACTUAL	0	SSCHRT	0.0	IOC	0
MPL	3.00	EXECUTION	0	RESP	0.0	CPU	132.597
ENDED	0	QUEUED	0	CONN	0.0	MSO	7266K
END/S	0.00	R/S AFFIN	0	DISC	0.0	SRB	0.001
#SWAPS	0	INELIGIBLE	0	Q+PEND	0.0	TOT	180672K
EXCTD	0	CONVERSION	0	IOSQ	0.0	/SEC	224
AVG ENC	0.00	STD DEV	0			IIT	0.000
REM ENC	0.00					IIP	0.000
MS ENC	0.00					ABSRPTN	2321K
						TRX SERV	2321K
TRANSACTIONS APPL% : TOTAL : CP 36.06 AAP/IIP ON CP 0.00 AAP/IIP 0.00							
MOBILE : CP 0.00 AAP/IIP ON CP 0.00 AAP/IIP 0.00							
-----SERVICE CLASSES BEING SERVED-----							
CICSFAST							
Region-only service, excluding transaction service = the region overhead				Overall region consumption including transaction service			

Using the New Support – System-wide Consumption

- WLM aggregates the system-wide total, MOBILE, CATEGORYA and CATEGORYB processor consumption data, accumulates the values into a rolling 4-hour average, and reports it to performance monitors
- From there, RMF or other monitors are be able to pick it up and report into SMF70



XML Format WLM service definitions recommended

- For several releases WLM has supported to store a service definitions in **XML format**
 - z/OSMF WLM task
 - ISPF Administrative Application: “Save as XML”...
- XML format avoids particular problems with the ISPF tables format, namely coexistence behavior, when a new functionality level needs to be introduced, and the number of table columns needs to be extended.
 - **For example, OA47042 introduces such a change**
 - **And there is more to come!**
- **Recommendation:**
Use the XML-format for your WLM service definition data sets
- In the next release, XML-format will be the default for the “Save” and “Save as” actions in the ISPF Administrative Application*



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Why new z/OS service definition objects?

Cloud workload paradigm asks for new ways of metering workloads in multi-tenant environments

IBM Z business asks for an infrastructure to support novel pricing options

- A Tenant Report Class (TRC) is similar to a WLM Report Class. TRCs are assigned through WLM classification and are always associated with a Tenant Resource Group.

- A Tenant Resource Group (TRG) is somewhat similar to a WLM Resource Group and can be associated with tenants or solutions.
- TRGs aggregate consumption data and can optionally be used to apply consumption limits.

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Overview of WLM/SRM Enhancements for Container Pricing for IBMZ

- New panels for defining and modifying Tenant Resource Groups
- New panels for defining and modifying Tenant Report Classes
- Resource Group (RG) and Tenant Resource Group (TRG) enhancements
 - New Sysplex-wide Type 4 limit expressed at a scale of “MSU”
 - Optionally, specialty processor consumption can be counted towards the limit
- A new service definition option that allows to disable “Discretionary Goal Management” globally
- WLM/SRM programming services are enhanced
 - A new IWM4QTNT service allows monitoring products to retrieve TRG-level consumption data
 - Various APIs provide TRC and TRG indications
- *WLM TRG level data will be reported by monitoring products, such as RMF*
 - *Also in SMF type 70 record*
- *SMF70 TRG data can be consumed in SCRT*
- *Various other components to be updated (SMF, SDSF, z/OSMF, ...)*

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TRG and TRC Definition*

- The WLM Administrative Application Level increased to 32.
- Tenant Resource Groups and Tenant Report Classes can be defined via new menu items.
- Specification of these new objects will increase the functionality level of the service definition to 32.

```
Functionality LEVEL032      Definition Menu      WLM Appl LEVEL032
-----
Definition data set . . . : 'WLM.DEMO.SRVDEF.XML'
Definition name . . . . . PROD01      (Required)
Description . . . . . Production service definition

Select one of the following options.

--      1. Policies          12. Tenant Resource Groups
      2. Workloads         13. Tenant Report Classes
      3. Resource Groups
      4. Service Classes
      5. Classification Groups
      6. Classification Rules
      7. Report Classes
      8. Service Coefficients/Options
      9. Application Environments
     10. Scheduling Environments
     11. Guest Platform Mgmt Provider
```

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Tenant Resource Group (TRG) Definition*

- The TRG name is mandatory (8 char)
- Description, Tenant ID, Tenant Name are optional and are expected to be used in a z/OS cloud context
- For qualified offerings, a 64 char Solution ID needs to be provided.
 - Exactly enter (paste) the IBM provided Solution ID string
 - WLM performs sanity check only.
 - Solution ID considered during SCRT processing.
Multiple TRGs may specify same Solution ID
- TRG capacity limits should not be specified unless there is a need to limit processor consumption.
There is NO minimum consumption limit.

Create a Tenant Resource Group

Enter or change the following information:

Tenant Resource Group Name TRGDEM01 (required)

Description Sample TRG

Solution ID:
ZS1ZZZA-I1F9FAD-6B20999D15-85370C8D-726F-458C-B84A-37D01D-A10E44

Tenant ID -----

Tenant Name Solution Newapp

Define Capacity: --
1. In Service Units (Sysplex Scope)
2. As Percentage of the LPAR share (System Scope)
3. As a Number of CPs times 100 (System Scope)
4. In accounted workload MSU (Sysplex Scope)

Maximum Capacity -----

Include Specialty Processor Consumption NO (YES or NO)

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Tenant Report Class (TRC) Definition*

- The TRC name is mandatory (8 char)
 - Name must be unique (also across report classes)
 - Up to 2047 Report Classes and Tenant Report Classes can be defined
- The TRG name is required, i.e. any TRC must be associated with a TRG
- Monitoring interfaces and monitors report on TRC as on standard report classes

Create a Tenant Report Class

Enter or change the following information:

Tenant Report Class Name . . . T_CDC (Required)
Description TRC including CDC region

Tenant Resource Group Name . . . TRGDEM01 (Required; name or ?)

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Comparision of TRG and RG Capping Types*

Type 1	Type 2	Type 3	Type 4
Raw CPU+SRB service units ("Raw" meaning that Service Definition Coefficients are not applied)	Percent of CP LPAR share (even if specialty processor consumption included). May exceed 100%.	Percent of one CP processor (even if specialty processor consumption included)	Processor consumption expressed in "accounted workload MSU"
Limit applies to Sysplex	Limit applies to each System	Limit applies to each system	Limit applies to Sysplex

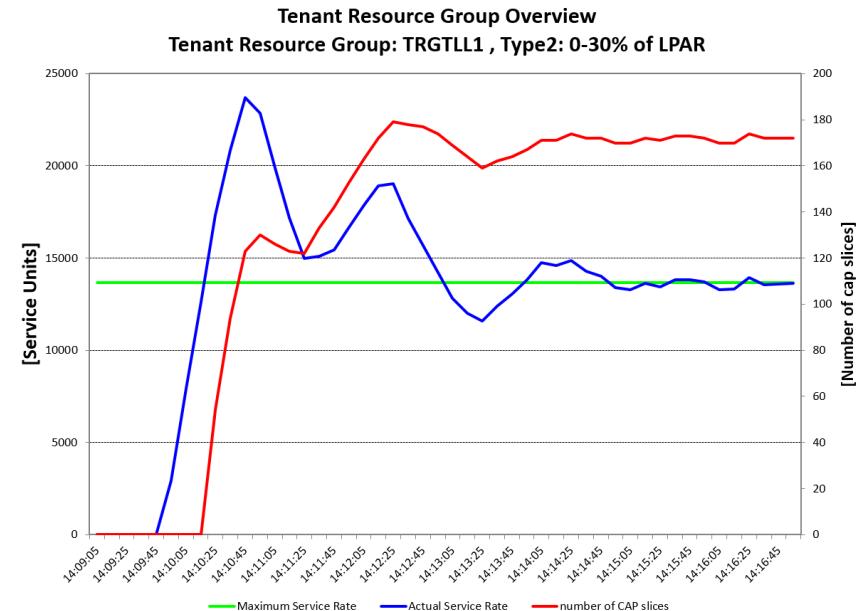
For all (T)RG types only captured TCB and SRB times are counted towards the limit. The limit is enforced based on a one minute average (i.e., no 4HRA). Up to 32 RGs **plus 32 TRGs** may be defined.

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TRG Capping*

- TRG capping is based on Resource Group capping and inherits its characteristics.
 - Time is divided into 256 “slices”.
In any slice the whole (T)RG can be set
 - dispatchable (called awake slice)
 - non-dispatchable (cap slice)
 - The cap pattern is adjusted every 10 sec based on the average of the last minute
 - (T)RG consumption will vary base on demand, mix of dispatch priorities, number of dispatchable units and number of processors.
 - The system will attempt to over-cap the work, i.e., the consumption will be throttled to remain below the limit. Depending on the characteristics this may not always be possible.
 - Usually consumption levels in within minutes
 - Very latency sensitive work not a good candidate for capping. Multiple TRGs with same Solution ID may be used when needed.

Sample cap pattern showing work that is capped 50% of time



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New IWMW4QTNT Service*

- Returns TRG related data in the return area mapped by IWMWQTAA.
 - TRG description data
 - Long term average (4HRA) of CP consumption in MSU.

The captured TRG consumption is extrapolated to the LPAR consumption, i.e., apportioned uncaptured time is included.
 - Consumption in Service Units (SU) on each processor type

```
IWM4QTNT      ANSAREA=xansarea
                ,ANSLEN=xanslen
                ,QUERYLEN=xquerylen
                ,ANSTOKN=xanstokn
                [,RETCODE=xretcode]
                [,RSNCODE=xrsncode]
                [,PLISTVER={xplistver|IMPLIED_VERSION}]
                [,MF=S]
                [,MF=(L,xmfctrl{,xmfattr|@D})]
                [,MF=(E,xmfctrl{,COMPLETE})]
```

For each TRG, IWM4QTNT returns increasing aggregated values.
Monitoring products can derive interval values by computing deltas, e.g. for reporting in SMF type 70.1 records

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New service definition option to deactivate DGM

Discretionary Goal Management (DGM) can improve throughput of discretionary work by throttling certain vastly over-achieving non-discretionary work.

It “throttles” through dynamically created resource groups.

With this support, DGM can optionally be disabled.

- Service Coefficient/Service Definition Options

- Enter or change the Service Coefficients:

CPU	1.0	(0.1-99.9)
IOC	0.5	(0.0-99.9)
MSO	0.0000	(0.0000-99.9999)
SRB	1.0	(0.0-99.9)
- Enter or change the service definition options:

I/O priority management	NO	(Yes or No)
Enable I/O priority groups	NO	(Yes or No)
Dynamic alias tuning management	NO	(Yes or No)
Deactivate Discretionary Goal Management	Yes	(Yes or No)

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Enablement of More granular resource controls*

<i>Function</i>	<i>z/OS Release</i>	
		z/OS V2.2
		z/OS V2.1
WLM/SRM Support	OA50845	OA50845
RMF Reporting Enhancements	OA50760	OA50760
<i>z/OS Supervisor Support</i>	OA50953	OA50953
<i>z/OS RSM (Real Storage Manager)</i>	OA51171	OA51171
<i>z/OSMF Reporting Enhancements</i>	PI71118	PI71084

More granular resource controls*

- **Purpose:** provide more granular control over CPU and memory consumption by workload
- Initial focus on demanding workloads that run only on specialty engines like Java batch, SPARK and other analytics, and zCloud workloads
- New controls:
 - Honor Priority by service class
 - Memory Limit for resource groups
- More to come ☺



More granular resource controls* Honor Priority by Service Class

```
                         Modify a Service Class                               Row 1 to 4 of 4
Command ==> _____
Service Class Name . . . . . : FAST
Description . . . . . : Velocity=80 goal
Workload Name . . . . . : STCWORK (name or ?)
Base Resource Group . . . . . :
Cpu Critical . . . . . : NO (YES or NO)
I/O Priority Group . . . . . : NORMAL (NORMAL or HIGH)
Honor Priority . . . . . : NO (DEFAULT or NO)

Specify BASE GOAL information. Action Codes: I=Insert new period,
E>Edit period, D>Delete period.

-- Period -- ----- Goal -----
Action # Duration Imp. Description
--- 1 2000000 2 Average response time of 00:00:01.000
--- 2 2000000 3 Average response time of 00:00:10.000
--- 3 4 Execution velocity of 80
***** Bottom of data *****
```

- Specifies whether work in this service class is exempted from default IFAHONORPRIORITY and IIPHONORPRIORITY processing
- Also for Service Class Overrides
- Limitation to specialty engines enforced collaboratively with SUP



Recommendations for HonorPriority

- Some zIIP work may be very latency sensitive and require to be dispatched quickly .
 - Namely some DB2 work, such as prefetch SRBs.
 - zIIP capacity may be constrained but CP capacity might be available to help
- Recommendation:
 - At the system level (IEAOPTxx) specify or default to IIPHonorPriority=Yes to allow CPs to help zIIP work.
 - Use the service class specific HonorPriority=No to selectively exclude work from receiving help.
 - Examples could be SPARK or Java batch that you do not want to be processed on general purpose processors

More granular resource controls*

Memory Limit for Resource Groups

```
-----  
                         Modify a Resource Group  
Command ==> _____  
  
Enter or change the following information:  
  
Resource Group Name : : : : : MEMLIMIT  
Description . . . . : : Provide a memory limit for work  
  
Define Capacity:  
— 1. In Service Units (Sysplex Scope)  
   2. As Percentage of the LPAR share (System Scope)  
   3. As a Number of CPs times 100 (System Scope)  
Minimum Capacity : : : : : _____  
Maximum Capacity : : : : : _____  
  
Memory Limit (System Scope)  24  GB
```

- Specifies the maximum amount of memory that address spaces associated with the resource group through classification may consume on the local system (System Scope)
- The attribute is specified as absolute value in GB in the range 1 – 99,999,999.
- Also for Resource Group Overrides
- Memory limit enforced collaboratively with RSM



How do memory pools work?

- A Resource Group definition, as part of the WLM service definition, has Sysplex scope.
- All address spaces get classified by WLM and get a Service Class assigned
 - If the assigned Service Class is associated to a resource group **and** the resource group specifies a memory limit, WLM notifies RSM to connect the address space to a memory pool
- When the first address space connects to a memory pool, RSM creates that pool. The pool name is equal to the resource group name.
- An RSM memory pool represents only a logical pool (=upper limit). It is **not** dedicating or reserving real storage.
 - A memory pool can specify a size exceeding the real storage of a given system
- All work in the system is managed towards the global pool (total real storage). Address spaces connected to a memory pool are also subject to the pool limit.
 - When the pool limit is approached self-stealing is initiated to keep the number of frames within the limit.
- Address spaces may be temporarily deferred, if the pool limit would be exceeded by adding the space.

Memory pools - current limitations

- When the memory pool support becomes available the following limitations apply:
 - An active address space cannot be reclassified to another defined memory pool.
 - The address space has to terminate in order to be reclassified, or it must be reclassified to the global pool and then reclassified again to the new pool.
 - Exception: initiator address spaces for a new job
 - Resource Group memory pool limits cannot be *decreased* while it is defined into a policy.
 - The only way to decrease the limit is to activate a policy that does not have the resource group defined and then activate a policy that defines the pool with a smaller limit.
 - However, a pool can be dynamically *increased* via a new policy activation.
 - Memory related Sysevents (such as STGTEST) are not memory pool aware
- ➔ IBM recommends that you use memory pools when it is required to limit memory consumption for new workloads such as Apache SPARK that provided guidance on how to operate them in a memory pool.

New WLM/SRM Messages

- **IRA450E MEMORY POOL *mmmmmmmm* MEMORY LIMIT REACHED - *nnn* JOBS DEFERRED**
 - The system detected a memory pool shortage in memory pool *mmmmmmmm*. Jobs which start and are associated to this memory pool are deferred until the memory pool shortage is resolved.
- **IRA452I MEMORY POOL *mmmmmmmm* BELOW THE MEMORY LIMIT**
 - There is no longer a memory pool shortage for memory pool *mmmmmmmm*.
- **IRA459I MEMORY POOL - *text***
 - A new WLM policy was activated or an address space was reclassified to a new WLM service class via the RESET command. Possible problems:
 - **MEMORY LIMIT REDUCTION NOT SUPPORTED**
 - **RECLASSIFY TO MEMORY POOL *mmmmmmmm* IS NOT SUPPORTED**
 - **CREATION PROBLEM mmmmmmmm**
 - **INTERNAL PROBLEM mmmmmmmm RSN=xxxx**

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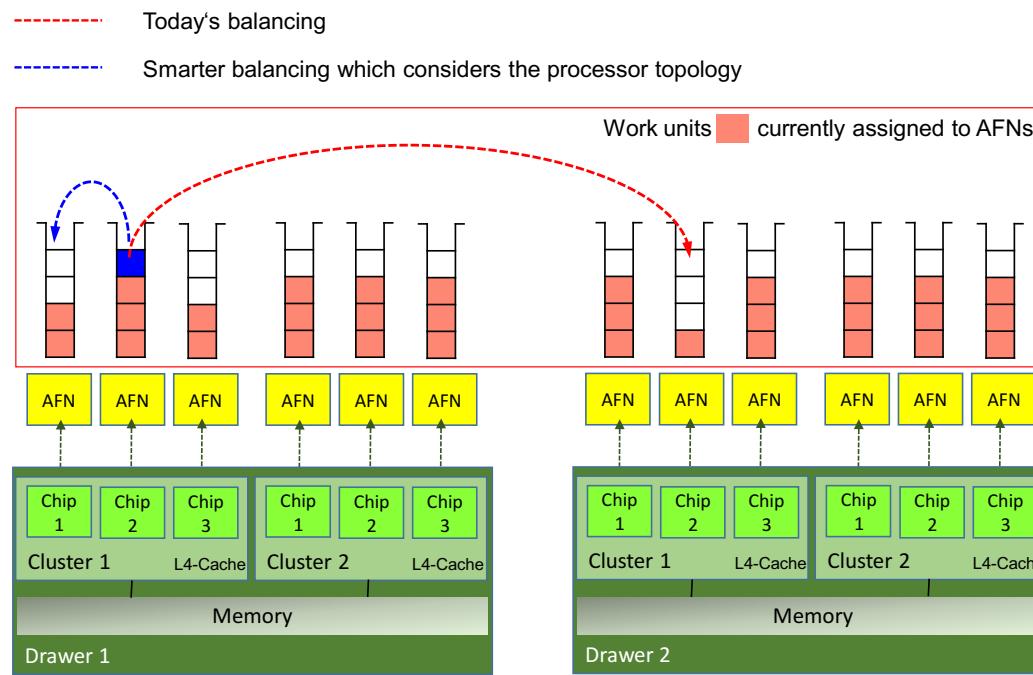
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WLM/SRM Exploitation of IBM z14

<i>Function</i>	<i>z/OS release</i>	V2.3	V2.2	V2.1
<i>WLM/SRM Support for IBM z14</i>		+	<i>OA50144</i>	<i>OA50144</i>
<i>SRM Support for RSM Performance</i>		+	<i>OA51904</i>	<i>OA51904</i>

OA50144: Hiperdispatch Memory Affinity

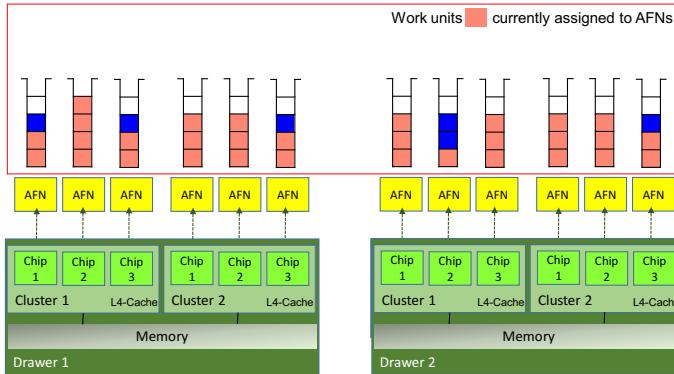
- HiperDispatch (HD) implements a smarter HD balancer move algorithm for ‘high storage consumers’ (HSC) which considers now the processor topology of the HD affinity nodes (AFN) and thus implicitly of memory affinity



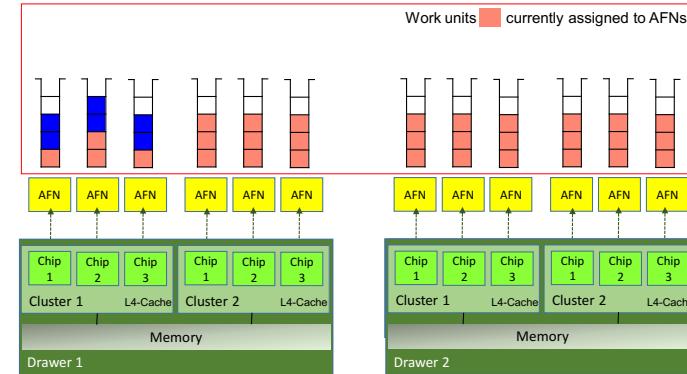
OA50144: HiperDispatch Topology Enhancements

- HiperDispatch (HD) implements a smarter HD address space breakup algorithm which considers the processor topology of the broken up address space and its split off TCBs

Today's balancing of broken up address spaces and its TCBs ■

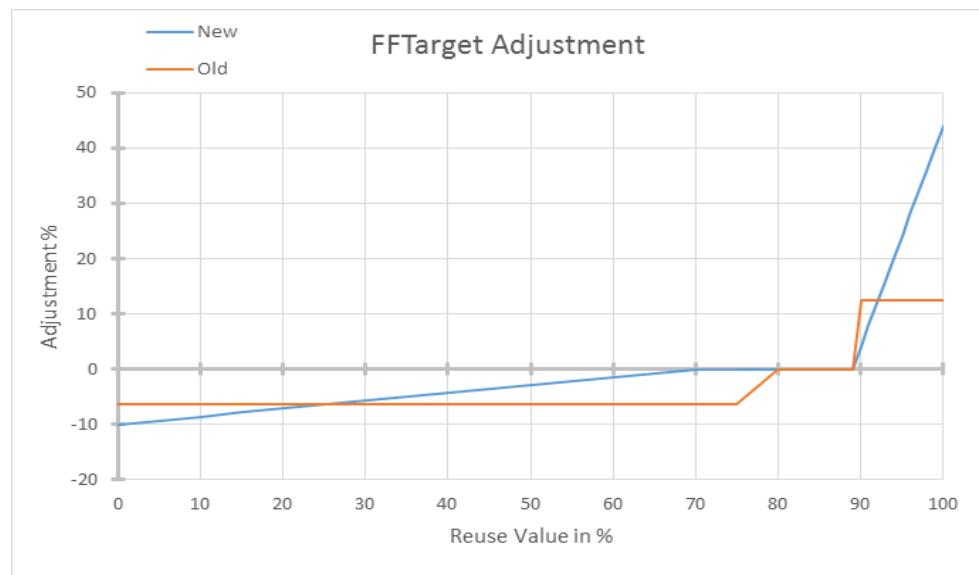


Smarter HD balancer algorithm for broken up address spaces and its split off TCBs ■
which considers the processor topology



OA51904: SRM support for RSM performance items

- z/OS Freemained Frame management is extended to high frames, sometimes referred to as authorized storage
- Adaptive region Freemained Frame Target (FFTTarget) calculation based upon requirements (1% to 40%)
- Freemained Frames now get stolen by SRM based upon importance (from unimportant address spaces first)



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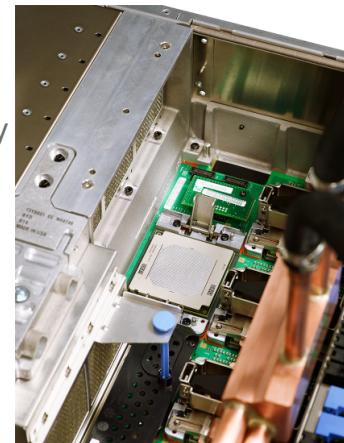
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WLM/SRM support overview for IBM z13

<i>Function</i>	<i>z/OS release</i>	V2.2	V2.1	V1.13
<i>z13 GA2 LPAR Absolute group capping</i>		OA47752	OA47752	
<i>z13 Support (base)</i>		+	OA43622 OA47021	OA43622
<i>z13 HiperDispatch Optimizations</i>		OA47968 (Included in GA code)	OA47968	OA47968
<i>zIIP SMT Support</i>		+	OA43622	
<i>Hiper- Dispatch z13 & ZEC12</i>	<i>Unpark while capped Unused capacity refinement Prime cycle elimination</i>	+	OA43622	
	<i>SRM storage management changes in support of RSM for z13</i>	OA48858	OA44504 OA46396 OA48858	OA44504 OA46396 OA48858

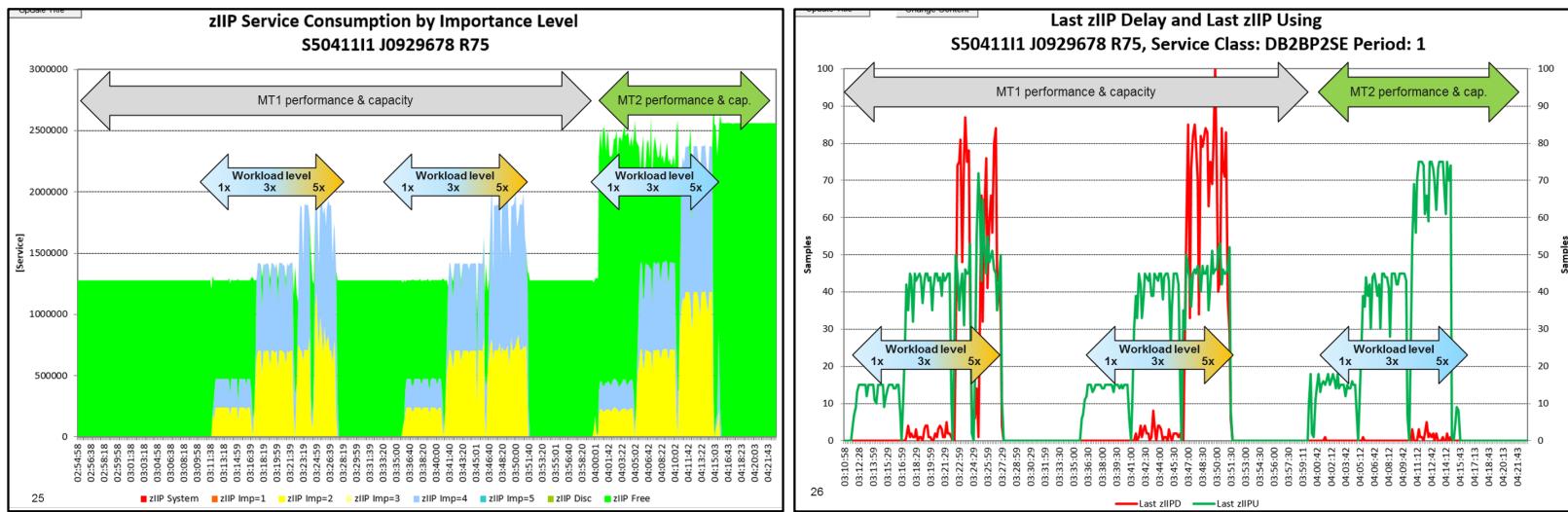
Base z13 support

- New limits for z13
 - 85 LPARs
 - Up to 141 processors per CPC
 - Up to 141-way on z/OS V2.1 (non-SMT mode)
 - Up to 128-way on z/OS V2.1 (SMT mode), or z/OS <V2.1
 - Maximum active threads in SMT mode is 213 with zIIP:CP ratio of 2:1
- New Cache topology
 - Chip, node, drawer
 - No longer using “books”
 - z/OS HiperDispatch uses new topology information to place work topologically close – to maximize cache efficiency
 - New as-is tool available for download from the WLM homepage
[WLM Topology Report](#)
- No zAAPs

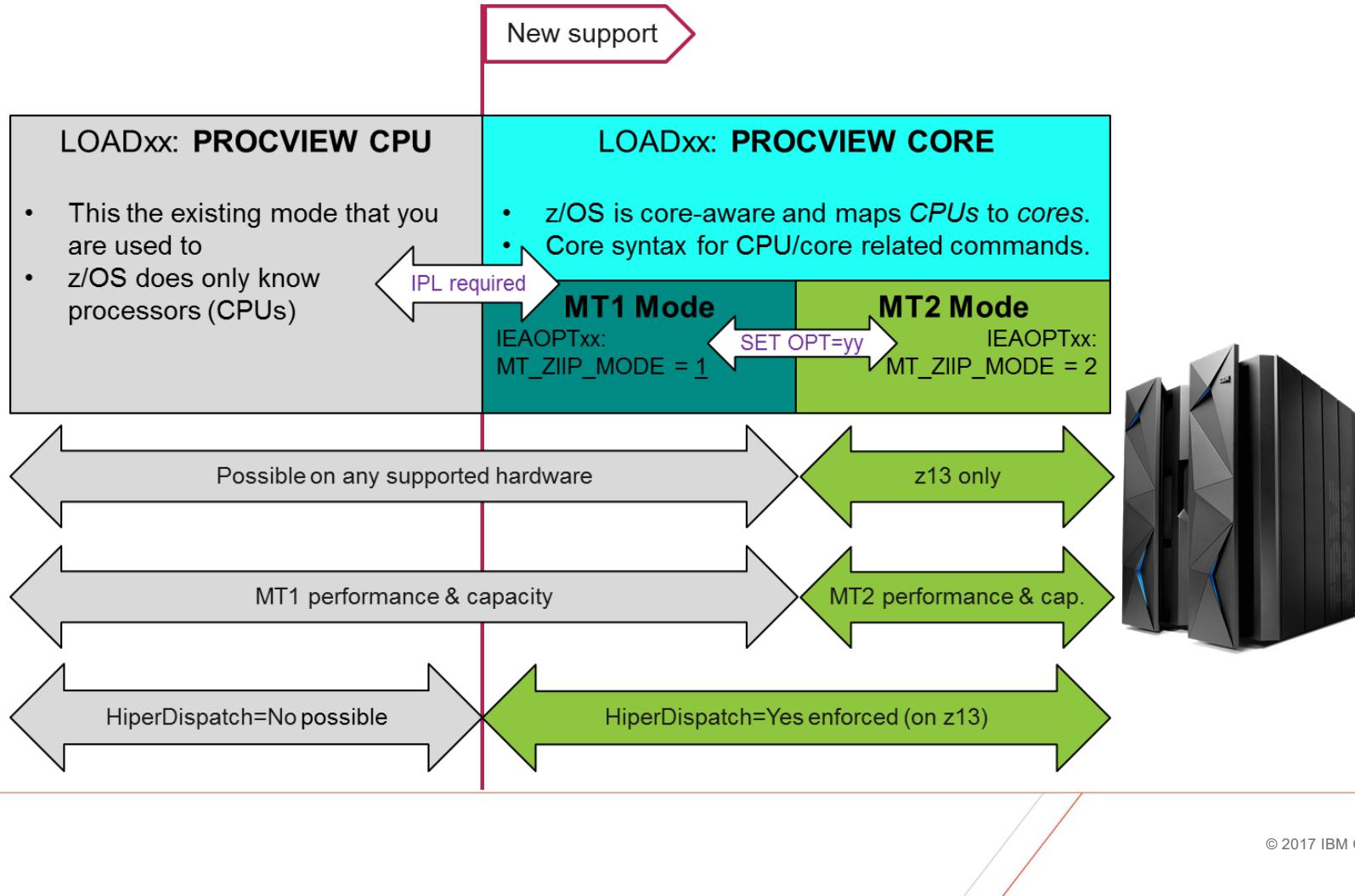


zIIP SMT support

- With z13, Simultaneous multithreading (SMT) allows up to two instructions streams per core to run simultaneously to get better overall throughput and better utilize the processor hardware units
- On z/OS, SMT is available for zIIP processing:
 - Two concurrent threads are available per core
 - Capacity (throughput) usually increases
 - Performance may be superior using single threading



At a glance: What is new with multithreading support?



zIIP SMT support – WLM considerations

- Less overflow from zIIP to CPs may occur because
 - zIIP capacity increases, and
 - number of zIIP CPUs double
- CPU time and CPU service variability may increase, because
 - Threads which are running on a core at the same time influence each other
 - Threads may be dispatched at thread density 1 or 2
 - Unlike other OS, z/OS attempts to dispatch threads densely
- Sysplex workload routing: Routing recommendation may change because of increased zIIP capacity and variability
- Goals should be verified for zIIP-intensive work, because
 - The number of zIIP CPUs double and the achieved velocity may change
 - “Chatty” (frequent dispatches) workloads may profit because there is a chance of more timely dispatching
 - More capacity is available
 - Any single thread will effectively run at a reduced speed and the achieved velocity will be lower.
Affects processor speed bound work, such as single threaded Java batch

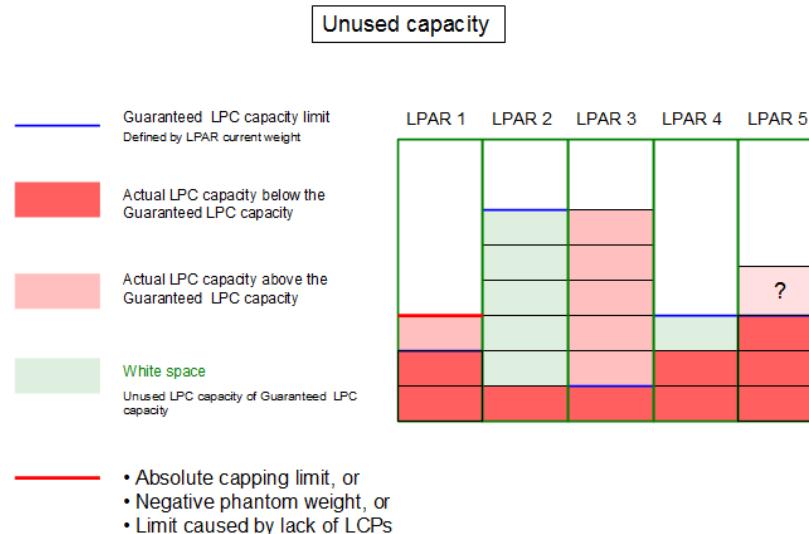
HiperDispatch “Unpark while capped”

- Previously, HiperDispatch
 - Parked all Vertical Low (VL) processors when a system capped via positive phantom weight
 - VLs are used for discretionary capacity and not required to absorb the LPAR weight
 - However, it was seen that, for some workloads, the reduced number of logical processors made it difficult to fully utilize the cap target capacity.
 - Unparked all VL processors when a system was capped by negative phantom weight, or some cases of PR/SM absolute capping
- Now, HiperDispatch can unpark VL processors if the processors can be used efficiently.

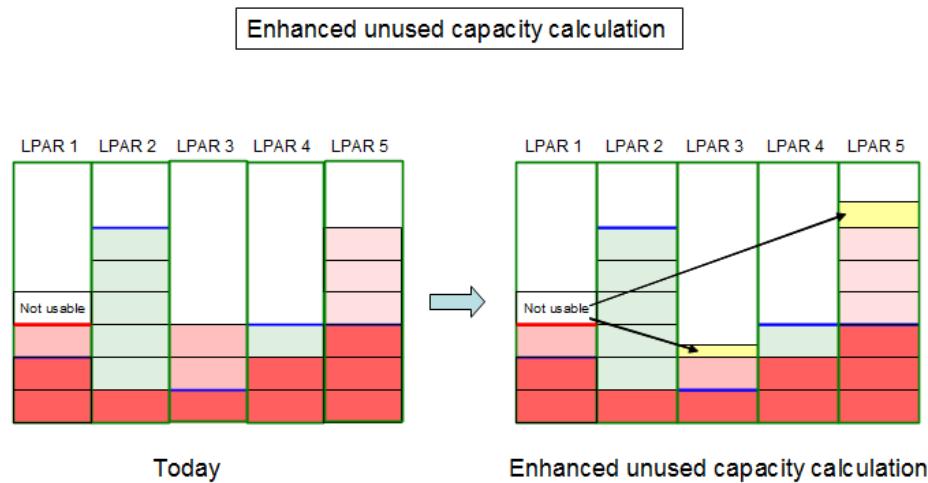
HiperDispatch refinement of “unused capacity” use

- HiperDispatch decisions consider the CPC-wide ‘unused capacity share’ situation
- The ‘unused capacity share’ calculation was enhanced to also include the LPAR configuration values
 - absolute capping value
 - negative phantom weight
 - number of logical processors
 - effective defined capacity and group capacity limit of possible ‘unused capacity’ receivers

CPC with 5 LPARs. LPAR1 has an absolute capping limit, which is indicated with the red line. LPAR2, and LPAR4 are unused capacity donors, while LPAR1 / 3 / 5 are unused capacity receivers.



HiperDispatch refinement of “unused capacity” use



- Figure on the left shows today's unused capacity calculation, which does not consider LPAR capping limits.
- Unused capacity calculation is only based on the receiver's weight share.
- Figure on the right shows an example of enhanced unused capacity calculation. It considers the capping limits of the receivers.
- Because LPAR1 is not able to use its total unused capacity share its 'not usable' unused capacity share portion increases the unused capacity share of LPAR5.

OA47968: HiperDispatch Optimizations for z13

- Vertical Low (VL) processors are used to absorb discretionary (“above the weight) processor capacity. VLs may float between different physical processors – consuming free physical capacity not used by other logical processors
- With OA47968 HiperDispatch takes benefit of the fact that lower VL numbers are likely to be topologically “closer” to the LPAR’s VH and VM processors
- Visible effect is that the park time in the RMF CPU activity report should be increasing from the low to the high processor numbers
 - Due to weight changes numbers can still decrease
- On z13, even in the presence of free CPC capacity, unparking can be more restrictive, based on effective capacity used on the VM and VL processors.

Sample CPU Activity Report...

showing high VL numbers unparked

0---CPU---		TIME %				LOG PROC		--I/O INTERRUPTS--	
NUM	TYPE	ONLINE	LPAR BUSY	MVS BUSY	PARKED	SHARE	%	RATE	% VIA TPI
0	CP	100.00	73.07	73.01	0.00	100.0	HIGH	331.0	47.48
...									
D	CP	100.00	62.53	62.49	0.00	100.0	HIGH	12768	14.71
E	CP	100.00	50.63	53.18	0.00	50.0	MED	134.8	60.51
F	CP	100.00	5.03	41.30	85.77	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
10	CP	100.00	5.14	38.64	84.88	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
11	CP	100.00	4.10	42.47	88.22	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
12	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
13	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
14	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
15	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
16	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
17	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
18	CP	100.00	8.81	46.39	76.66	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
19	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
1A	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
1B	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
1C	CP	100.00	0.00	-----	100.00	0.0	LOW	0.00	0.00
TOTAL/AVERAGE		33.37		62.25		1450		35779	15.49

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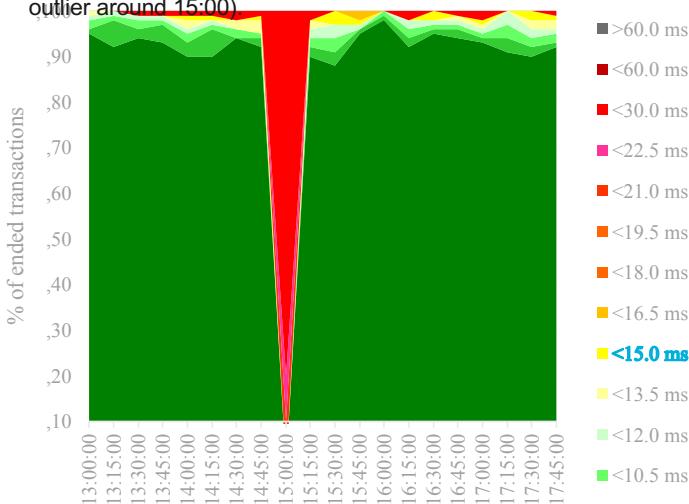
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Shorter Response Time Goal*

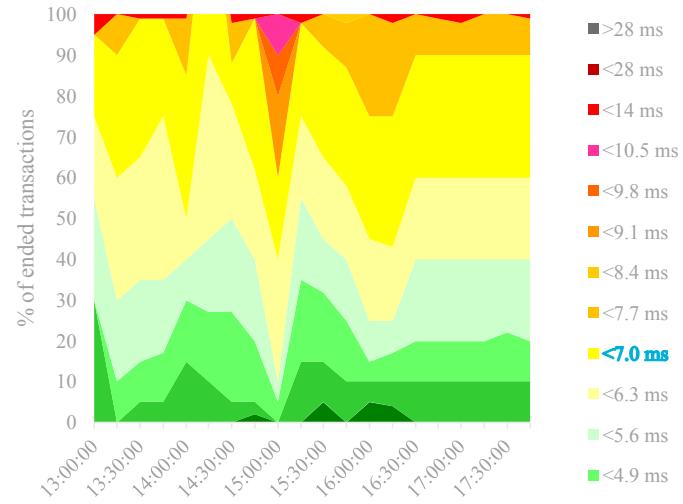
- With z/OS V2R3, the current lower bound of 15 milliseconds for a response time goal is replaced by one millisecond allowing to specify meaningful goal values for very fast running transactions.

This figure illustrates an exemplary response time distribution for a service class with a 15 msec response time goal and very fast running transactions. During the presented time period, approximately 95% of the transactions complete with an average response time below 7.5 msec (dark green area). Thus, the service class considerably overachieves its goal allowing it to run at a low dispatching priority. This makes the service class susceptible to workload spikes where the average response time of all transactions rises far above the goal (red area with the outlier around 15:00).



A more meaningful goal of 7 milliseconds will cause a better balanced response time distribution as illustrated in the following figure.

The workload always runs at reasonable dispatch priority preventing bad response times even with workload spikes.



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Shorter Response Time Goal Usage & Invocation*

- The WLM Administrative Application is enhanced to allow the definition of service period response time goals below 15 milliseconds which is the minimum response time goal with z/OS V2R2 and below. The new minimum goal value is 0.001 seconds (one millisecond) and can be defined for base goals or when overriding attributes for a service class.
- When specifying an average response time goal, the total response time can be between 0.001 seconds (one millisecond) and 24 hours.

<p>IWMAP34 Average response time goal</p> <p>Enter a response time of up to 24 hours for period 2</p> <p>Hours 00 (0-24) Minutes 00 (0-99) Seconds 00.005 (0-9999)</p> <p>Importance . . . 2 (1=highest, 5=lowest) Duration 10000 (1-999,999,999, or none for last period)</p> <p>F1=Help F2=Split F5=KeysHelp F9=Swap F12=Cancel</p>	<p>IWMAP35 Response time with percentile goal</p> <p>Enter a percentile and response time goal for period 3</p> <p>Percentile . . . 90 (1-99) Hours 00 (0-24) Minutes 00 (0-99) Seconds 00.008 (0-9999)</p> <p>Importance . . . 2 (1=highest, 5=lowest) Duration 10000 (1-999,999,999, or none for last period)</p> <p>F1=Help F2=Split F5=KeysHelp F9=Swap F12=Cancel</p>
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- With z/OS V2R3, the WLM Application level displayed on the Definition Menu panel changes to LEVEL035. As soon as at least one service class period is defined with a response time goal below 0.015 seconds (15 milliseconds), the Functionality level is raised to LEVEL035.

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WLM Sysplex Routing Services Overview

WLM Interface	Typical Use (not exhaustive)	Purpose
IWMWSYSQ	Applications and sub-systems that want to consider free and displaceable capacity.	Obtain free & displaceable capacity of systems in Sysplex (1, 3, and 10 min rolling averages).
IWMSRSRS FUNCTION=SELECT FUNCTION=SPECIFIC	Sysplex Distributor BASEWLM DDF	Obtain best suited registered servers to route work to. Only capacity considered. Obtain list of registered eligible servers and recommended weights. Considers capacity goal achievement (PI), queue time for enclaves, health.
IWM4SRSC	Sysplex Distributor SERVERWLM	Obtain recommendation for a specific server address space. No registration required. Capacity, server-specific capacity goal achievement (PI), abnormal termination rate, health is considered; optionally crossover cost and importance level weighting

Routing Enhancements for Softcapping*



- WLM Sysplex Routing services like IWMSRSRS and IWM4SRSC base their recommendation on the free and displaceable capacity of the systems in the Sysplex (3 minutes rolling average of actual capacities).
 - This might result in routing work to a system which will be capped shortly thereafter due to Defined Capacity Limit or Group Capacity Limit.
 - WLM is enhanced to **take the capping limits into account** when the free/displaceable capacity is determined. WLM will calculate the estimated time to capping for a system. The closer the system is to capping the more the available capacity will be reduced by the specified limit and influence the routing recommendations to send less work to the system.

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New IEAOPTxx parmlib option RTCapLeadTime*

IEAOPTXX RTCAPLEADTIME=nn	
<u>0</u>	The default behavior is as today: capping of this system will not be considered in advance.
[1-60]	Specifies the time in minutes, how long in advance an upcoming soft capping should influence WLM's Sysplex routing recommendations. When the estimated time to capping is less than n minutes WLM will consider the upcoming soft capping in its routing recommendations.

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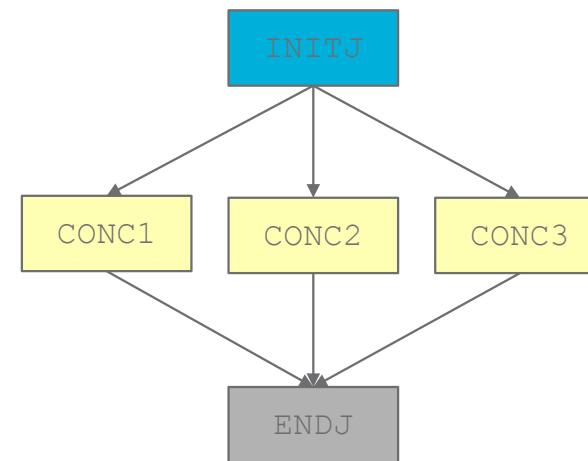
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```
//JGROUP  JOBGROUP
//INITJ   GJOB
//CONC1   GJOB
//          AFTER NAME=INITJ
//CONC2   GJOB
//CONC3   GJOB
//          CONCURRENT NAME=(CONC1,CONC2)
//ENDJ    GJOB
//          AFTER NAME=CONC1,WHEN=(RC=0)
//JGROUP  ENDGROU
//INITJ   JOB TIME=NOLIMIT,REGION=0K,MSGCLASS=H,CLASS=J
//          SCHEDULE JOBGROUP=JGROUP
//STEP1   EXEC PGM=...
//CONC1   JOB TIME=NOLIMIT,REGION=0K,MSGCLASS=H,CLASS=J
//          SCHEDULE JOBGROUP=JGROUP
//STEP1   EXEC PGM=...
...
...
```



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- For a set of concurrent jobs, WLM extends the *demand batch initiator* interface with JES2:
 - WLM returns the most eligible system for starting the demand batch initiators, or indicates that all candidate systems are too constrained
 - If a system is eligible, then
 - WLM reuses drained initiators, or
 - starts demand batch initiators.Both select the concurrent jobs specified by JES2
 - When the jobs are finished, both the reused and the newly started initiators go to the drained state

IWM4OPTQ: Interface to retrieve IEAOPT keywords and values

- Prior to this support it was difficult for a monitoring product to identify
 - what IEAOPTxx parameters are known to the system, and
 - the values for those parameters
- IWM4OPTQ returns a self-describing list of all keywords, and their values. Return area is mapped by IWMWOPTI
- Exploited e.g. by RMF

```
>>+-----+--IWM4OPTQ-----OPTINFO_BLOCK=optinfo_block----->
  '-name-'

>---,ANSLEN=anslen-----QUERYLEN=querylen----->

>-----+-----+-----+
  '-, RETCODE=ret code-'  '- ,RSNCODE=rsncode-'

  .-, PLISTVER=IMPLIED_VERSION-.

>-----+-----+
  +- ,PLISTVER=MAX-----+
  '- ,PLISTVER=0-----'

  .-,MF=S-----.

>-----+-----><
  |           .-,0D---.      |
  +- ,MF=(L-,list addr-----+-)-----+
  |           '- ,attr-'     |
  |           .-,COMPLETE-.   |
  '- ,MF=(E-,list addr-----+-)-'
```

IWM4HLTH: Extensions for health based routing

- WLM Sysplex routing services provide advice for routing work within a Sysplex
 - Enable distributed client/server environments to balance work among multiple servers based, on capacity, performance, server health
 - Utilized e.g. by Sysplex distributor (SERVERWLM), DB2 DDF
- The IWM4HLTH service allows to modify the health value when the health status of the server changes for the worse or better
- Before z/OS V2.2 the server health value solely is based on self-assessment with only the last value reported is being kept by WLM
- **With z/OS V2.2 the IWM4HLTH service is extended to work with multiple components providing their views of the health of a server address space.**
The new IWM4QLTH service allows to query the health.

IWM4HLTH: Extensions for health based routing

```

>>-----+---IWM4HLTH---STOKEN=stoken-----+
| | |
| +--name--+
| |
| +--, FUNCTION=SET----+
| |
| +--, FUNCTION=RESET---+
| ,HEALTH=health----->

>-----+
| |
| +--, SUBSYS=NO_SUBSYS---+
| |
| +--, SUBSYS=subsys-----+
| |
| +--, SUBSYSNM=NO_SUBSYSNM---+
| |
| +--, SUBSYSNM=subsysnm-----+
| |
| +--, HEALTHRSN=NO_RSN-----+
| |
| +--, HEALTHRSN=healthrsn---+
| |
| >-----+
| |
| +--, RETCODE=retcode---+
| |
| +--, RSNCODE=rsncode---+
| |
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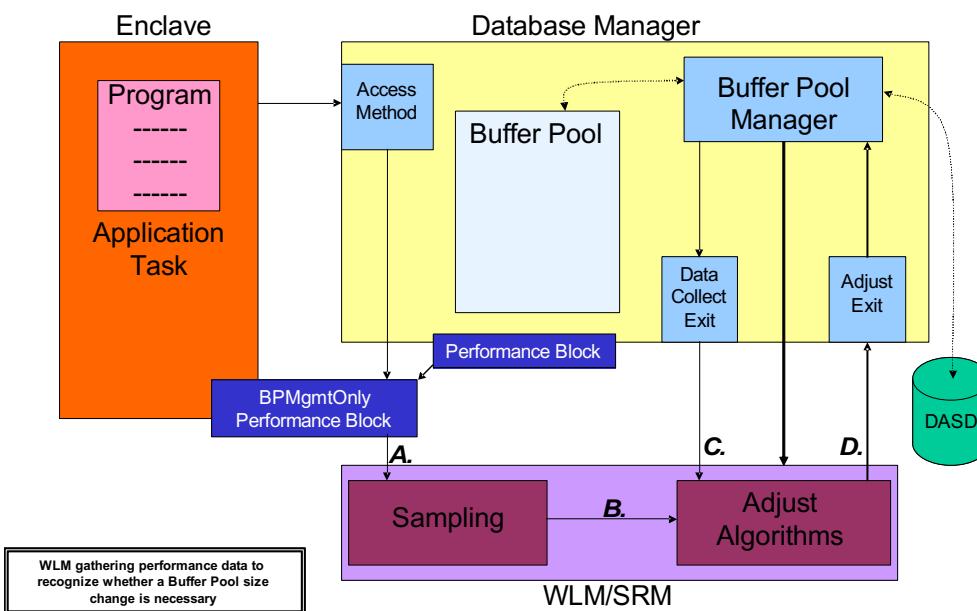
Runtime Diagnostics of Health Values

- z/OS Runtime Diagnostic display & analyze all server health values <100 through F HZR,ANALYZE command:

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EVENT 17: HIGH - SERVERHEALTH - SYSTEM: SYS1      2016/04/19 - 08:00:30  
JOB NAME: DB1XDIST ASID: 01CC CURRENT HEALTH VALUE: 75  
CURRENT LOWEST HEALTH VALUES:  
    SUBSYSTEM   HEALTH           REPORTED  
    SUBSYSTEM  NAME      SETTING      REASON DATE AND TIME  
DB1TDIST          75           2016/04/19 06:01:04  
    ERROR: ADDRESS SPACE SERVER CURRENT HEALTH VALUE LESS THAN 100.  
    ERROR: THIS VALUE MAY IMPACT YOUR SYSTEM OR SYSPLEX TRANSACTION  
    ERROR: PROCESSING.  
ACTION: USE YOUR SOFTWARE MONITORS TO INVESTIGATE THE ASID AND TO  
ACTION: DETERMINE THE IMPACT OF THE HEALTH OF THE ADDRESS SPACE TO  
ACTION: OVERALL TRANSACTION PROCESSING.
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WLM-managed DB2 Bufferpools: Overall flow

- DB2 registers bufferpool with WLM
- WLM will recommend to grow the size of the bufferpool when the Performance Index of a Service Class Period is impacted and bufferpool delays are a significant contributor
- WLM will recommend to shrink the size of the bufferpool due to donation to a suffering Service Class period, or due to regular housekeeping cycles
- DB2 de-registers bufferpool from WLM management



- DB2 10: ALTER BUFFERPOOL [VPSIZE(s)] AUTOSIZE(YES)
 - ➔ MIN size = $0.75 \times VPSIZE$
 - ➔ MAX size = $1.25 \times VPSIZE$
- DB2 11: MIN/MAX can be specified
- Initial USED size between MIN size and MAX size
- Management range between MIN and MAX sizes

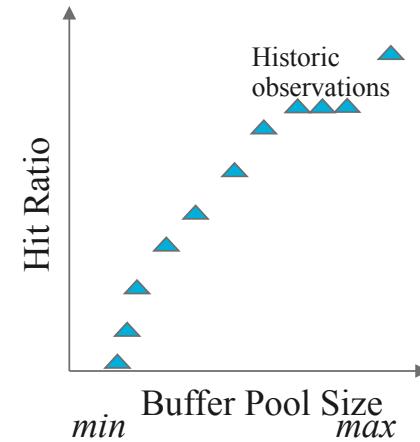
WLM-Managed DB2 Bufferpool: Changes in z/OS V2.2 plus V2.1

A bufferpool can be increased when

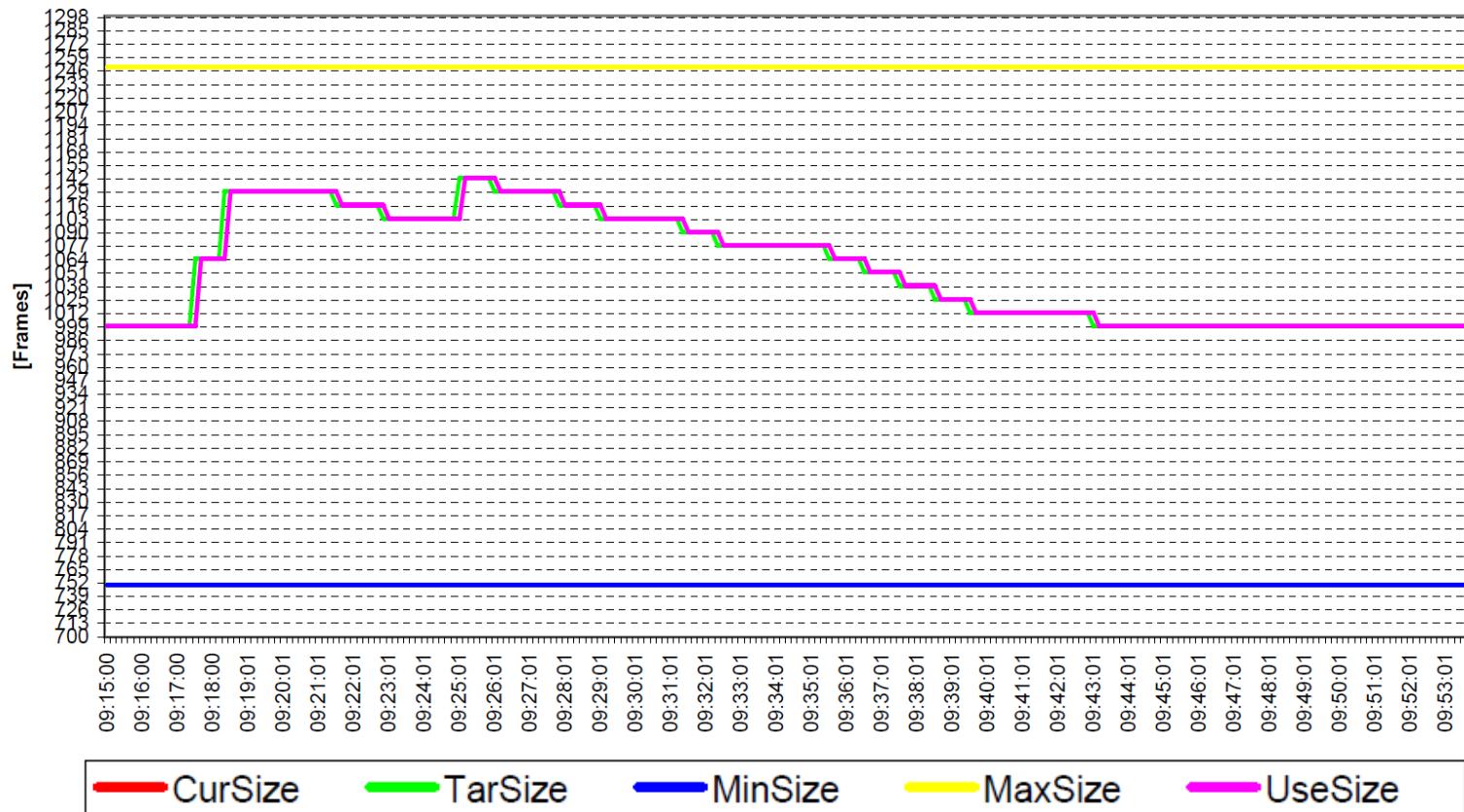
- Performance index impacted and buffer pool delays are a significant contributor

A bufferpool may shrink...

- Due to donation to a suffering service class period
 - May suffer storage related delays
- Due to regular housekeeping cycles
 - Consider one BP reduction candidate per 10 sec interval
 - BP idle - had no references
 - No delays, i.e. 100% hit ratio
 - Least important period showing buffer pool delays
- Any bufferpool may shrink no more than once per 5 min
- When WLM recommends to increase the size of a bufferpool, DB2 accepts the recommended size as new current VPSIZE. DB2 does not necessarily use the entire recommended size ➔ Used size of the bufferpool will be less or equal the current VPSIZE

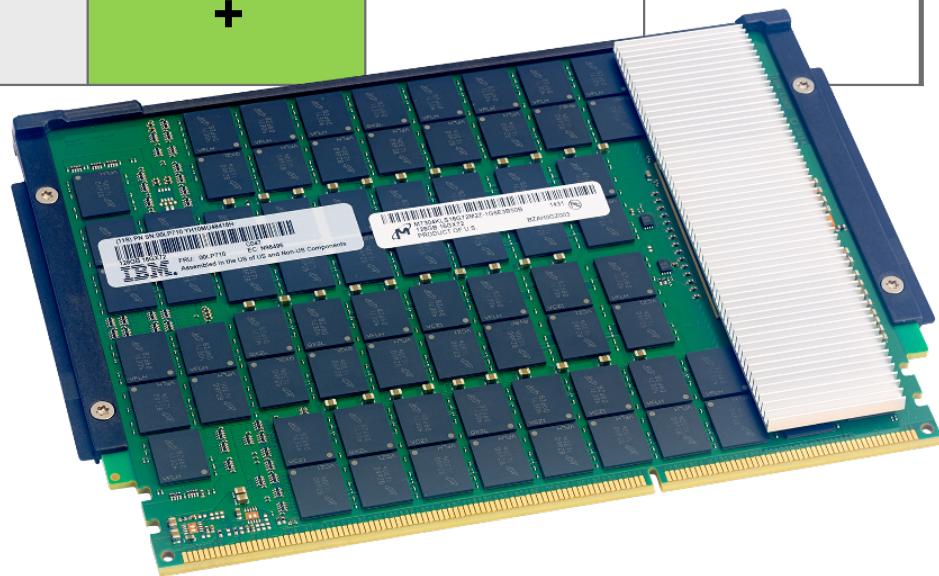


Bufferpool
BP: BP11 ,0100002000000002,AS: DBX2DBM1,SC: \$SRMS059



SRM Enhancements for large real storage

<i>Function</i>	<i>z/OS release</i>	V2.2	V2.1	V1.13
<i>MCCFXPTR Limit</i>		+	OA44668 OA44207(RSM)	
<i>New AUTO keyword for RCCFXET and RCCFXTT</i>		+		



New MCCFXPTR Limit

- The MCCFXPTR keyword in the IEAOPTxx specifies the percentage of online storage that may be page fixed before a pageable storage shortage is detected and message IRA400E is issued.
 - Before OA44668, MCCFXPTR default of 80% requires that 20% (100 minus MCCFXPTR) of storage remain pageable, regardless of the amount of online storage. On systems with large amounts of central storage, the MCCFXPTR default of 80% can result in a pageable storage shortage being detected when there is still plenty of pageable storage.
 - With OA44688 **at most 64GB** of pageable online storage will be required before a pageable storage shortage is recognized.

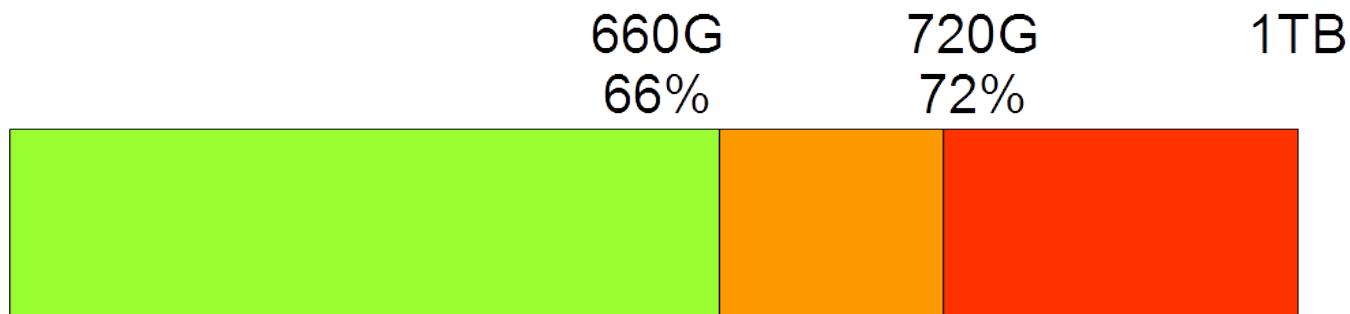


New AUTO keyword for RCCFXET and RCCFXTT

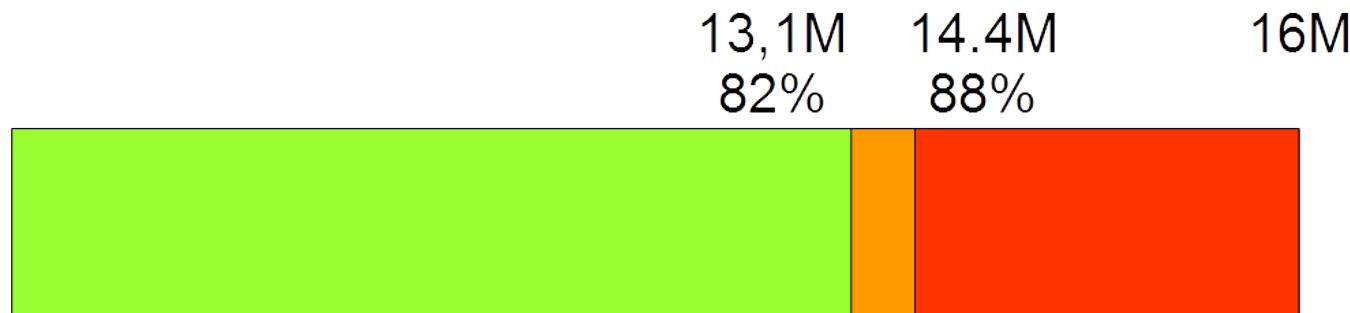
- The IEAOPTxx *RCCFXTT* keyword specifies low and high threshold of fixed real storage:
 - SRM uses these thresholds to determine if the **system MPL** needs to be increased/decreased. The default is 66% and 72%.
 - On small systems such percentages are not a problem.
 - On a 1TB LPAR these percentages imply that WLM will stop increasing the MPL. when 660G of storage is fixed
- Similarly, *RCCFXET* specifies the low and high thresholds of fixed real storage below 16M. SRM uses these thresholds to determine if the **system MPL** needs to be increased/decreased. The default is 82% and 88%.
 - This OPT keyword is also enhanced, mainly for consistency with the RCCFXTT keyword. The default is still: RCCFXET=(82, 88)
- Both keywords were enhanced to accept a value of **AUTO**
 - AUTO allows SRM to compute thresholds based on available storage.
 - Allows to higher utilize available storage in large systems without risking system shortages
 - AUTO needs to be specified in IEAOPTxx (not default)

New AUTO keyword for RCCFXET and RCCFXTT

Current RCCFXTT thresholds:



Current RCCFXET thresholds:



Agenda

New capping options

Reporting enhancements for CICS and IMS, and Mobile Workloads

Container Pricing*

More granular resource controls*

IBM z14 Exploitation

IBM z13 Support

z/OS V2.3 Preview

z/OS V2.2 Enhancements

Other service stream enhancements and recommendations

* Statements regarding IBM future direction and intent are subject to change or withdrawal, and represent goals and objectives only.

OA50900 – WLM Absolute MSU Capping requires zEC12 GA2 or later

- The initial documentation for Absolute MSU capping did not indicate that a zEC12 GA2 or later processor is required to enable this function.
- DOC APAR OA50900 is going to document this requirement:

IEAOPTxx ABSMSUCAPPING=	
<u>NO</u>	Defined capacity limits and group capacity limits should be enforced only while the long term four hour rolling average consumption exceeds the respective limit (existing and usually desired behavior).
YES	Defined capacity limits and group capacity limit should be enforced permanently, independently of the long term four hour rolling average consumption . Becomes effective on zEC12 GA2 or later processors.

OA50403 – Additional Message IWM068I when running at reduced processor speed

- When the effective processor speed changes WLM issues
IWM063I WLM POLICY WAS REFRESHED DUE TO A PROCESSOR SPEED CHANGE OR MT MODE CHANGE, and identifies the specific reason via IWM064I. For example,
IWM064I THE SYSTEM IS RUNNING WITH REDUCED CAPACITY BECAUSE OF A MANUAL CONTROL SETTING (i.e., static power save mode)
- IWM064I is also issued when a system is IPL'ed while running at reduced capacity
- Problem: Automation would not yet be available during early IPL. Alerts may be missed.
- APAR OA50403 (z/OS V2.2) provides new message IWM068I that is issued
 - hourly after IWM064I,
 - approximately 15 min after IPL
- For example:
IWM068I THE SYSTEM IS STILL RUNNING WITH REDUCED CAPACITY BECAUSE OF A MANUAL CONTROL SETTING

Other possible reasons:

- **THE SYSTEM IS STILL RUNNING WITH REDUCED CAPACITY BECAUSE OF A MACHINE EXCEPTION CONDITION**
- **THE SYSTEM IS STILL RUNNING WITH REDUCED CAPACITY BECAUSE OF A NON-EXCEPTION MACHINE CONDITION**
- **THE SYSTEM IS STILL RUNNING WITH REDUCED CAPACITY BECAUSE OF AN EXCEPTION CONDITION EXTERNAL TO THE MACHINE.**

OA50291 – New option to eliminate ICH70001I messages for WLM Application Environment Servers

- With Security=User, use of WLM application environments can result in a huge number of ICH70001I xxxxxxx LAST ACCESS AT 10:38:32 ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2015 messages
 - Fill up logs
 - RACF data base updates
- WLM APAR OA50291 allows for suppressing the RACF message and reducing the RACF data base updates
- To enable daily logon statistics it is required to
 - Update security (RACF) definitions
 - Specify new IEAOPTxx keyword: SuppSAFinfoMsg=YES

IEAOPTXX SuppSAFinfoMsg =	
<u>NO</u>	WLM performs a standard verification of the application environment server address spaces through the security product.
YES	WLM performs a verification of the application environment server address spaces through the security product and passes an APPL class profile with a name equal to the procedure name associated with the application environment. SAF informational messages, such as RACF message ICH70001I will be suppressed.

OA50291 – Option to eliminate ICH70001I messages

- Sample security definitions-

- The following security definitions allow to reduce the impact of recording logon statistics by recording for only the first daily logon by each user, rather than for every logon by each user:
 - Define a RACF APPL profile
RDEFINE APPL *applname* UACC(NONE) APPLDATA('RACF-INITSTATS(DAILY)')
where *applname* is the name of the JCL procedure name used for the WLM application environment
 - Ensure that no such APPL already exists
 - Generic profiles may be used
 - If UACC(NONE) was specified on the APPL, permit users READ access to the APPL profile
 - **PERMIT *applname* CLASS(APPL) ID(*userid*) ACCESS(READ)**
 - Activate or refresh the APPL profile:
 - if not yet active, issue
SETROPTS CLASSACT(APPL) RACLIST(APPL)
 - **SETROPTS RACLIST(APPL) REFRESH**
- For more details refer to [Reducing application logon statistics](https://ibm.biz/Bd4S3s) (<https://ibm.biz/Bd4S3s>)

OA48161 – Service Stream Enhancements for reduced WLM Address Space utilization

Minimizing Sampling Overhead for Performance Block (PBs)

- In some environments a – relatively – higher percentage of WLM address space utilization may be observed
- Typically these are mostly idle test systems hosting many CICS or DB2 subsystems
 - In such cases the WLM task responsible for sampling Performance Blocks (PBs) allocated by these subsystems may incur the highest CPU cost
- Recommendations:
 - On z/OS releases up to z/OS V1.13 install PTF for OA38280
 - Eliminates an IVSK instruction that is more costly on IBM z196 and later hardware
 - On z/OS V2.1 install PTF for OA48161
 - Eliminates an MVCSK instruction that was introduced with z/OS V2.1
 - Reduce the number of PB control blocks allocated by the subsystems:
 - CICS: Max task (MXT)
 - DB2 MSTR+DBM1: 1000 + MAXDBAT
 - + (n · 500) as needed
 - Reducing the effective max task and MAXDBAT numbers can help to reduce the WLM address space consumption

Service Stream Enhancements for more aggressive Blocked Workload support (OA44526)

- Problem addressed:
 - The current minimum value that can be specified for the Blocked Workload interval threshold BLWLINTHD is 5 sec.
DB2 could profit from earlier or more frequent trickling.
- More aggressive specifications will be enabled by OA44526
 - New lower limit is 1 sec
 - BLWLINTHD default and BLWLTRPCT remain unchanged
 - Consider lowering BLWLTRPCT with very small BLWLINTHD values if amount of trickle cycles that may be handed out is a concern.

XML Format WLM service definitions recommended

- For several releases WLM has supported service definitions in **XML format**
 - z/OSMF WLM task
 - ISPF Administrative Application: “Save as XML”...
- XML format avoids particular problems with the ISPF tables format, namely coexistence behavior, when a new functionality level needs to be introduced, and the number of table columns needs to be extended.
- **Recommendation:**
Consider using the XML-format for your WLM service definition data sets.

z/OS Workload Management

- More Information -

- z/OS WLM Homepage:
 - Inside WLM: <https://ibm.biz/BdF4L4>
- z/OS MVS documentation
 - z/OS MVS Planning: Workload Management:
<http://publibz.boulder.ibm.com/epubs/pdf/iea3w101.pdf>
 - z/OS MVS Programming: Workload Management Services:
<http://publibz.boulder.ibm.com/epubs/pdf/iea3w201.pdf>
- *IBM Redbooks publications:*
 - System Programmer's Guide to: Workload Manager:
<http://publib-b.boulder.ibm.com/abstracts/sg246472.html?Open>
 - ABCs of z/OS System Programming Volume 12
<http://publib-b.boulder.ibm.com/abstracts/sg247621.html?Open>



WLM Topology Report Tool (As-is)

- New **as-is** tool available for download from the WLM homepage
 - <https://ibm.biz/BdE74v>
- Visualizes mapping of HiperDispatch affinity nodes to physical structure
- Supports IBM zEC10 and later
- To use:
 1. Download from above location
 2. Run installer
 3. Upload Host code to a z/OS system
 4. Collect SMF99.14 records

Sample output (zEC12):

