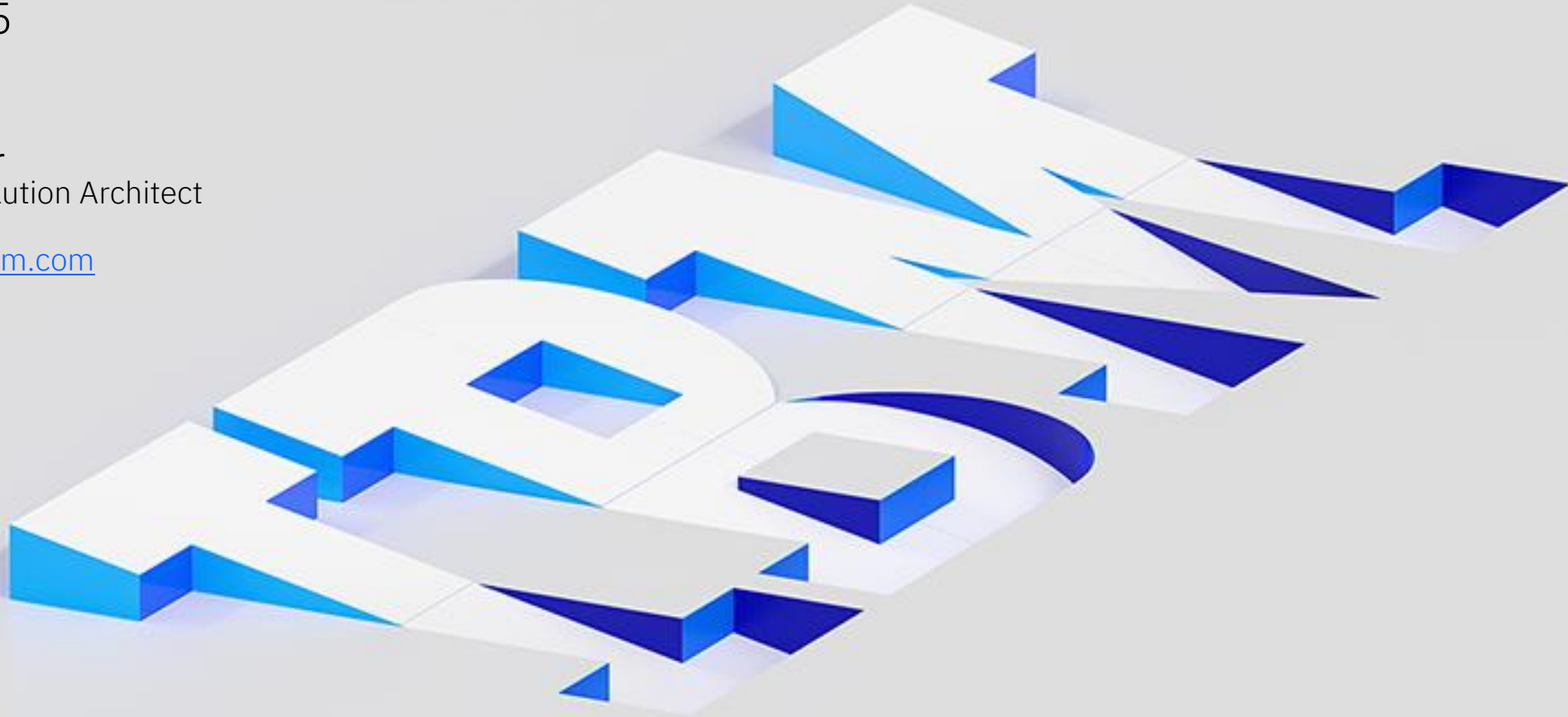


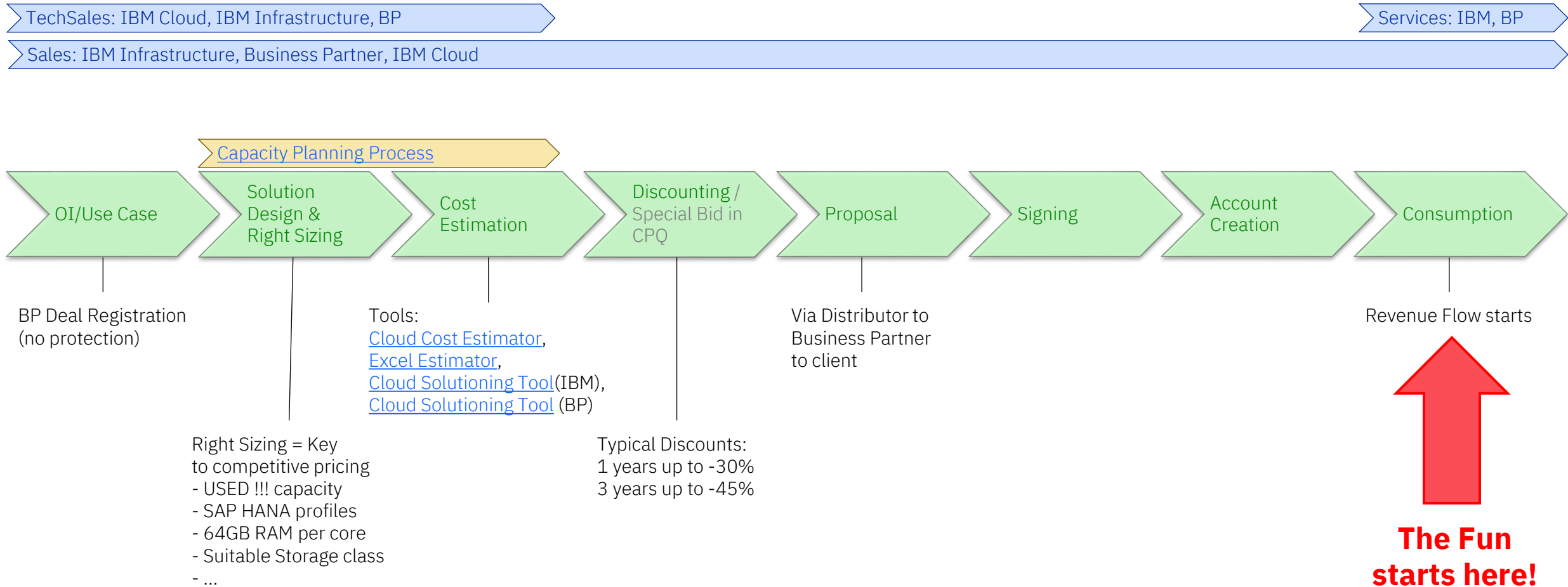
# Power Systems Virtual Server

Sales Process, Sizing and Pricing  
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# Power Systems Virtual Server Opportunity Workflow - Complicated? Simply work with your IBM Cloud colleagues!



# The Use Case defines the Scope



## Data Center Strategy Optimization

Business expansion and worldwide growth

Frictionless migration. Architecture aligned with certified stack.

Grow quickly. Accelerate time to value. Geographic expansion.

Maintain ISV certifications and support.

Multisite implementation with Production, HA, DR and Dev/test environment



## Business Continuity Planning

Reliable failover solutions

Backup, HA, DR

Reduce Capex

Flexible DR capacity

Reduce capacity planning complexity and capacity headroom



## Modernize

Modernize process and evaluate cloud feasibility

Increase business agility

Modernize - connected with 200+ IBM Cloud® Services

Cloud integrated API that easily integrates to existing tooling

Shift from buying max capacity to provision on-demand

Start with Dev/Test environment



## Improve operational cost

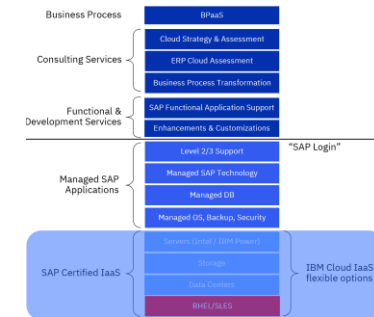
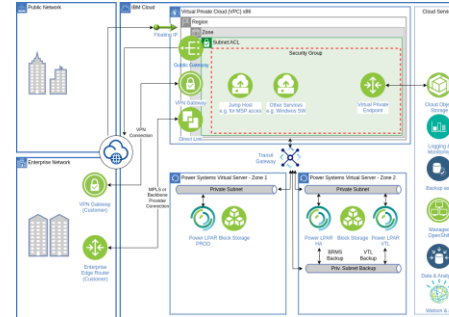
Operational Excellence and Cost Optimization

Ease of technology upgrade. Supported software.

Pay-as-you-go billing. Capex to Opex.

Align specialized skilled resources with key business objectives

Improve service and response time, off hours coverage



## What's the customers need / plan?

- Development instances?
- Additional capacity?
- DR or Backup location?
- Application modernization keeping Power at the core?
- Replace CAPEX by OPEX?
- Move complete Power footprint to Cloud?

We need to cover the full scope of the customer to win.

## There is no solution which consists of PowerVS only!

- Power VS, COS, VTL
- Networking (VPC, VPN, DL ..)
- Security (VPC, Firewalls, ...)
- Additional x86 Instances
- Operational Services
  - Logging, Monitoring
  - Backup, ...
- ...

Potentially a lot to size & price.

## Who is going to do what?

- Which skills does the client have?
- Who will perform setup tasks?
- Who will perform migration tasks?
- Who operates which parts of the solution?

Remember? The FUN starts with deployment & usage.

# Power VS Sizing is about Workloads / LPARs

Understanding the customer's workload(s) in scope is key to create a meaningful solution, sizing and pricing.

- HMC export is a good source for **CPU** (entitled cores) and **RAM**
- Power generation, machine type and model to compare / calculate CPU capacity
- Used **Storage** (not attached), storage performance / capacity to best match it in PowerVS
- Operating systems in scope incl. current and planned version(s)
- Applications and their characteristics (SAP, Oracle, custom IBM I applications, ...?)
- RPO / RTO requirements
- Backup requirements (size and number of backups, retention policies, ...)
- Operational tools to consider
- Non Power workloads to consider since they depend on the Power workload in scope?
- Focus on current, near-term USED (!!!) capacity
- Leverage PowerVS flexibility and automation to scale up/down
- Consider ramp-up steps and project phases with different capacity requirements

# Power VS Sizing – Best Practices I

## Compute:

- Optimize each LPAR, use rPerf/CPW/SAPS values to calculate required performance (P7, P8, P9, P10, x86 (SAPS))
  - [IBMi – Commercial Processing Workload \(CPW\) ratings](#)
  - [AIX - Relative Performance \(rperfs\) ratings](#)
- Use shared uncapped cores by default, capped for Oracle, dedicated only if required e.g. for SAP HANA
- Certified HANA Profiles provide drastically lower Core & RAM prices
- Aim for 1 Core : 64GB RAM ratio; above 64GB RAM per Core has a 1,5 price multiplier (does not apply to SPPs)
- Use S922 by default, other models when required only (up to 65% discount on P9)
- Power 10 performance gain is roughly compensated by higher price (still S1022 potentially very attractive for IBM i)

## Storage:

- Make sure to size the currently used storage + growth as needed (do not match currently attached storage = oversizing)
- Use Tier 3 storage when ever possible
- Mix storage Tiers as required, make sure to use higher Tiers only for Volumes which really require the performance
- Use Cloud Object Storage for configuration files, Images, Backup, Archive since it comes with the lowest cost (but is slower)

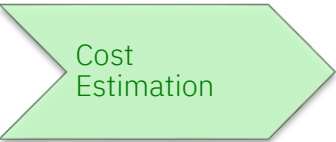
## Networking:

- Local Transit Gateway traffic is (currently Q2/25) free of charge, if a PowerVS is Workspace is attached
- VPNaaS via VPC is the cheapest way to connect to customer networks

# Power VS Sizing – Best Practices II

## Licensing:

- AIX OS license and support are part of the hourly LPAR price, no ByoL for AIX
- Linux subscriptions (SLES, RHEL) can be ByoL or can be paid with the LPAR hourly price
- Use [Movable OS licensing IBM i MOL](#) to convert perpetual IBM i licenses into a discounted IBM i subscription price which is included in the LPAR hourly price
- IBM i License Program Products (LPP) included in IBM i image and LPAR hourly price (<https://cloud.ibm.com/docs/power-iaas?topic=power-iaas-ibmi-lpps> )
- Additional IBM i Software can be subscribed: ICSS, PowerHA, Rational Developer Studio
- IBM i licensing: Processor Group P10: S922 & S1022; Processor Group P30: E980 & E1080
- Extended Support costs for IBM i 7.2 and 7.3 are automatically added to hourly LPAR price
- IBM Passport Advantage Software must be licensed based on PVUs (ByoL)
- Power HA for AIX must be licensed separately, for Power VS only N+1 licenses/subscriptions are required
- ORACLE requires capped cores or SPPs; only S922 can be used for Standard Edition licenses (ByoL)



# Cost Estimation

## IBM Cloud Website – Cost Estimator:

- <https://cloud.ibm.com/power/overview#estimator>
- LPARs, Storage, SPPs, VPN (deprecated), VTL for IBM i backup, Dedicated host
- Other IBM Cloud Services
- Best used for single quick estimations

## IBM Cloud Solutioning (COOL) Tool:

- IBM: <https://internal.cloud-solutioning.ibm.com/login>
- BP: <https://public.cloud-solutioning.ibm.com/login>
- Embedded demo within the COOL tool
- Slack channel #cool-power-support
- LPARs and Networking
- Nice export / import feature

## Excel Power VS Estimator:

- Always download latest version from Seismic <https://ibm.seismic.com/Link/Content/DCpPGRcbqCc4c87J7HRWT8DWTQT8>
- LPARs, Storage, SPPs, VTL for IBM i backup, dedicated host
- Fastest way, but lacks non PowerVS pricing

LPAR	Data Center		System	Processor Type	Desired Cores	Memory (GB)	OS	Storage (GB)		DSI VTL Repository Size whole number TB	IBM i Add On Licenses	
	name or #				P9 Cores			Tier 1	Tier 3		Power HA for IBM i (y/n)	IBM i Cloud Storage Soln (y/n)
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EXAMPLE	1		DAL13	S922	5	2.25	64	AIX	500			
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