z/VSE Technical Update and z/VSE V6.2 Preview

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z/VSE Roadmap

z/VSE releases in service

Unsupported z/VSE releases

z/VSE 6.2 GA planned for 4Q 2017

z114 / z196 or higher, *zHPF / SIMD support*, *Tapeless installation SCSI / ECKD*, *CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2*, *security and connector enhancements*

z/VSE 6.1 Ann 10/ 05/2015, GA 11/27/2015

CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1: CICS Explorer update, Channels & Containers; TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.1, IPv6/VSE 1.2, **z10 or higher**; z Systems exploitation

z/VSE 5.2 04/2014, end of service 10/31/2018

z Systems exploitation, z9 or higher, device support, Tapeless installation, networking / security enhancements

z/VSE 5.1 11/2011, end of service 06/30/2016

64 bit virtual, z Systems exploitation, z9 or higher z/VSE 5.1.1 06/2012: CICS Explorer, LFP in LPAR, database connector z/VSE 5.1.2 06/2013: TS1140, 64 bit I/O, openSSL, db connector enhancements

z/VSE 4.3 11/2010, end of service 10/31/2014 Virtual storage constraint relief, 4 digit cuus, z/VSE 4.3.1 08/2011

*z/VSE 4.2 October 2008, end of service 10/31/2012 M*ore tasks, more memory, EF for z/VSE 1.1, CPU balancing, SCRT on z/VSE *z/VSE 4.2.1* 07/2009 - PAV, EF for z/VSE 1.2, *z/VSE 4.2.2* 04/2010 - IPv6/VSE 05/2010 CICS/VSE end of service 10/31/2012

z/VSE 4.1 March 2007, end of service 04/30/2011 z/Architecture only, 64 bit real addressing, MWLC – full and sub-capacity pricing

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IBM z Systems server support

- IBM eServer zSeries z890 Server end of service October 31, 2016 <u>http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/printableversion.wss?docURL=/common/ssi/rep_sm/1/897/ENUS2086-_h01/index.html</u>
- zBC12 / zEC12 end of marketing announcement http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=AN&subtype=CA&htmlfid=897/ENUS916-037&appname=USN
- Statement of general direction (SOD)
 - z/VSE 6.1 last release planned to support z10 server family of servers http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?subtype=ca&infotype=an&appname=iSource&supplier=897&letternum=ENUS216-312
 - z13 / z13s will be the last z Systems servers to support running an operating system in ESA/390 architecture mode
 - all 24-bit and 31-bit problem-state application programs originally written to run on the ESA/390 architecture will be unaffected by this change. See z13 announcement January 2015: http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=an&subtype=ca&appname=gpateam&supplier=897&letternum=ENUS115-001

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IBM z Systems server support

VSE Release	z800 / z900 z890 / z990	z9	z10	z196 / z114 / zEC12 zBC12 / z13 / z13s	End of Marketing	End of Support
z/VSE V6.2	No	No	No	Yes	tbd	tbd
z/VSE V6.1	No	No	Yes	Yes	tbd	tbd
z/VSE V5.2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	03/13/2017	10/31/2018
z/VSE V5.1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	05/23/2014	06/30/2016
z/VSE V4.3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	06/25/2012	10/31/2014
z/VSE V4.2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10/26/2010	10/31/2012
z/VSE V4.1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10/17/2008	04/30/2011
z/VSE V3.1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	05/31/2008	07/31/2009
VSE/ESA V2.7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	09/30/2005	02/28/2007
VSE/ESA V2.6	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	03/14/2003	03/31/2006

z/VSE release / hardware status: http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/about/status.html



z/VM support

- z/VM End of Service Effective Dates:
 - http://www.vm.ibm.com/techinfo/lpmigr/vmleos.html
- z/VM 5.4 End of Service December 31, 2017

https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=AN&subtype=CA&htmlfid=897/ENUS916-121&appname=USN

- Operates on z800 / z900 or higher, up to zBC12 / zEC12, not supported on z13 / z13s
- z/VM 6.2 End of service June 30, 2017
 - Supports z10 or higher
- z/VM 6.3 End of service December 31, 2017
 - SOD: Last release planned to support z10 server family of servers

z/VM 6.4

- Available since November 11, 2016
- Architectural Level Set (ALS) to z114 / z196
- Availability announcement: <u>https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=AN&subtype=CA&htmlfid=897/ENUS216-</u> <u>075&appname=USN</u>
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Announcements: z/VSE 5.2 End of Marketing / Service

z/VSE 5.2 End of Marketing was March 13, 2017

- After end of marketing products can no longer be ordered.

z/VSE 5.2 End of Service is planned for October 31, 2018

- The affected products are:
 - z/VSE 5.2
 - z/VSE Central Functions 9.2
 - CICS TS for VSE/ESA 1.1.1
 - IBM IPv6/VSE 1.1
 - IBM TCP/IP for VSE/ESA 1.5
- End of Marketing Announcement:
 - <u>http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?infotype=AN&subtype=CA&htmlfid=897/ENUS916-094</u>
- End of Support Announcement:
 - https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/rep_ca/8/897/ENUS917-008/ENUS917-008.PDF







Multi-Version Measurement (MVM)

MVM replaces the Migration Pricing Option (MPO) and Single Version Charging (SVC)

- No time limits for running multiple eligible versions of a software program on the same machine
 - VSE/ESA V1 / V2, z/VSE 3.1, z/VSE V4, z/VSE V5, z/VSE V6, in any combination
- E.g. systems with zELC, AEWLC and MWLC pricing are eligible for MVM
- MVM only possible for versions within same machine. Multiple machines can not be combined

• Full-capacity clients:

- No additional requirements
- Need to request MVM, except SVC systems
- If one non-subcapacity Version on machine, you will be billed at the highest version price as full capacity

Sub-capacity clients:

- Pay for the combined MSUs (concurrent peak) at the latest version price.
- Sub-Capacity Reporting Tool (SCRT) requirement:
 - SCRT V24.2.0 (Classic) or SCRT V24.11.0 (Java[™]), or later required
 - Available since April 10, 2017.
- See web page for Monthly License Charge (MLC) programs <u>http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/resources/swprice/reference/exhibits/mlc.html</u>
- See MVM announcement letter for details: <u>https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?subtype=ca&infotype=an&appname=iSource&supplier=897&letternum=ENUS217-093</u>

z/VSE 6.1



- **Preview:** May 11, 2015
- GA announcement: October 5, 2015
- GA: November 27, 2015
 - → Recommended Service Level (RSL) with cutoff December 31, 2016

Hardware support

- Architectural Level Set to IBM System z10 or later
- IBM z13 / z13s support
- z/VSE Network Appliance (VNA)
- IBM System Storage options
 - Tape solutions
 - IBM TS7700 Virtualization Engine Release 4.0 (IBM TS7760)
 - Disk solutions
 - IBM System Storage DS8870 Release 7.5,
 - IBM System Storage DS8880 (DS8884, DS8886, DS8888)
 - ➤As ECKD and FCP-attached SCSI disks
 - IBM FlashSystem V9000 for use with FCP-attached SCSI disks.

z/VSE 6.1 ...



New CICS version: CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1

- CICS Explorer monitor and update CICS resources
- Channels & Containers to lift 32K Commarea limitation

Networking enhancements (firewall support)

- IBM IPv6/VSE 1.2 new release
- IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.1 new version

Connectors

- MQ Client Trigger Monitor

z/VSE 6.1 requires an initial installation

- Fast Service Upgrade (FSU) from z/VSE V5 not supported

z/VSE 6.1 and follow-on releases are delivered in English only

z/VSE 6.1 ...



Statement of direction (SOD):

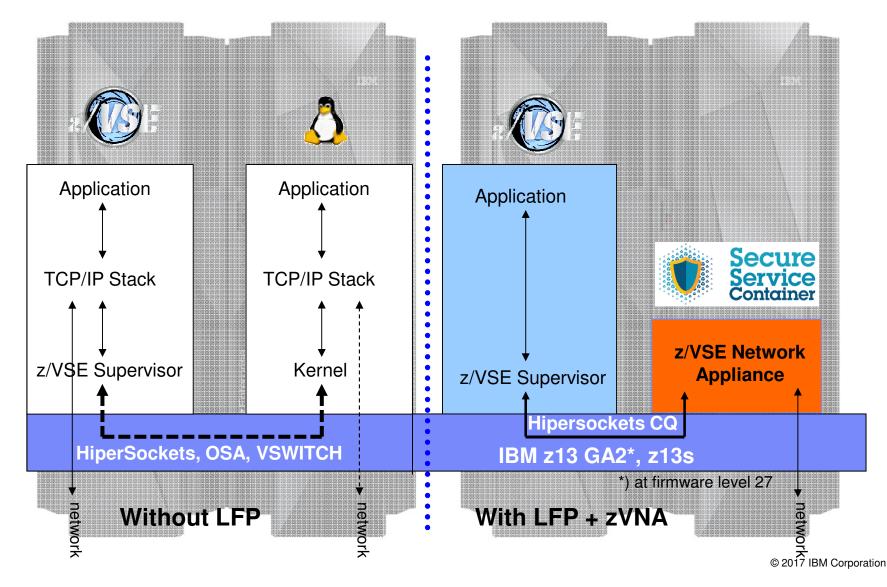
- IBM plans to deliver future upgrades of z/VSE on DVD or electronically only.
- High Performance FICON (zHPF)
- Install from DVD stage 2 (FBA / SCSI)
- New CICS TS for z/VSE release
- Web services (SOAP) enhancements (JSON support)
- Security enhancements

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z/VSE Network Appliance (zVNA)

Exploits the IBM Secure Service Container introduced on the z13 platform





z/VSE 6.2 Preview



- Preview: April 11, 2017
 - GA planned for 4Q 2017
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgibin/ssialias?infotype=an&subtype=ca&appname=GPA&htmlfid=897/ENUS217-091

Hardware support

- Architectural Level Set to IBM zEnterprise 114 (z114) or IBM zEnterprise 196 (z196) or later
- Support for
 - High Performance FICON (zHPF)
 - z13 Vector Facility (Single Instruction Multiple Data SIMD)
 - Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC) accelerated with CryptoExpress5S of z13 / z13s, exploited by OpenSSL
 - FlashCopy Space Efficient (SE) for Extent Space Efficient (ESE) volumes configured in an DS8880
- Tape-less initial installation using SCSI or FBA disks
- Support for stand-alone dump on SCSI disks

z/VSE 6.2 Preview ...

CICS TS for z/VSE enhancements

- New CICS TS release CICS TS for z/VSE V2.2
- CICS Explorer enhancements (define programs, files, etc.)
- Channels & containers enhancements
- HTTP 1.1 upgrade for CICS Web Support (CWS)

Connector enhancements

- z/VSE SOAP engine to exploit Channels and Containers
- New z/VSE REST (Representational State Transfer) engine with JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) support
- z/VSE database connector enhancements

Security enhancements

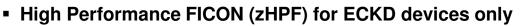
- Basic Security Manager (BSM) enhancement
- Interactive Interface dialog for batch resources (DTSECTAB security)

New TCP/IP releases

- IBM IPv6/VSE 1.3
- IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.2
- Product delivery of z/VSE on DVD and electronically only



z/VSE 6.2: High Performance FICON support



- Designed to improve the execution of small block I/O requests
- Channel programs are translated to zHPF commands
- Multiple channel commands are sent as a single entity to the control unit
- May reduce overhead and increase I/O rates on the channel

z/VSE supports zHPF implementation phase 1

- Translates a subset of CCW commands (define extent, locate record, TIC, ...)
- I/O APIs will not change, translation occurs at low level I/O interfaces
- If transport mode I/O results in an I/O error, or can not be translated to zHPF commands, the request will be retried in command mode
- LPAR and z/VM guests supported (z/VM APAR may be required)

Interfaces

- SYSDEF SYSTEM command extended to start / stop the zHPF support
 - SYSDEF SYSTEM, ZHPF=START / STOP
- zHPF support may be started, stopped or restarted any time
 - Can be used to verify, if the workload benefits from z/VSE's zHPF support
- The **SIR SMF**, **ZHPF** command shows ZHPF specific I/O counters

Benefits

- Transparent to applications
- May improve I/O performance
- Highly dependent on workload characteristics



z/VSE 6.2: z13 / z13s Vector Facility support



- Vector Facility also called Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD)
 - New set of vector instructions described in the z/Architecture Principles of Operation
 - Vector instructions work on 32 128-bit registers
 - Vector registers are partially shared with floating point registers

z/VSE support

- Instructions can be exploited by assembler applications
- z/VSE uses 31-bit vector register save area to save / restore status
- Application has to activate / deactivate vector register support via VECTOR macro
 - Activate allocates save area for task / partition, deactivate frees save area virtual storage
 - To save 31-bit virtual storage, if vector registers are not used
- LPAR and z/VM guests supported (z/VM APAR may be required)
- Benefits for applications, that exploit vector instructions
 - May improve performance
 - Highly dependent on workload characteristics

z/VSE 6.2: Enhancements for SCSI device support

Tape-less installation

- Available since z/VSE 5.2 for ECKD
- Tools provided to create an installation disk (supported for LPAR and z/VM guest)
- Installation disk
 - Contains a boot program and the z/VSE base tape in AWS file format
 - Created on LPAR may be used by a z/VM guest or vice versa
 - LPAR: create installation disk by using the DVD with the HMC or SE Load function
- Installation from installation disk possible on ECKD, FBA and FBA-SCSI
- Files required for the creation of the installation disk delivered on DVD or via the Internet
- Tape-less installation to be enhanced for installation disk on FCP-attached SCSI devices
- Installation on ECKD, FBA and FCP-attached SCSI disks supported
- Supports initial installation only

Stand-alone dump

- Can be created on tape or disk device
- Currently only stand-alone dump to ECKD or FBA disks are supported
- z/VSE 6.2 will support stand-alone dump to SCSI disk







CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2

- Only available for z/VSE 6.2 and later, replaces CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1
 - CICS TS for VSE/ESA 1.1.1 still delivered with z/VSE Version 5
 - CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1 still delivered with z/VSE 6.1

New CICS TS for z/VSE V2.2 includes

- Enhancements to the CICS Explorer to more easily manage CICS resources:
 - Define new CICS resources and modify or delete existing resources
 - Monitor, control, and update dynamic storage areas and global temporary storage queue statistics
 - Support "definitions" views for selected CICS resources
- HTTP 1.1 Support for CICS Web Support:
 - Persistent connections, pipelining, and chunking
- Enhancements to the CICS API to provide:
 - Support for UTF-8 and UTF-16 with the channels and containers API
 - Support for the APPEND parameter for PUT CONTAINER
 - Support for the BYTEOFFSET parameter for GET CONTAINER
 - Support for Internet-type date and time stamp formats
 - Support for Language Environment (LE) MAIN for Assembler applications.
- Support for OpenSSL with CICS Web Support



CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2 – CICS Explorer

• CICS Explorer "display only" in z/VSE Version 5

- System management framework for CICS TS
- Consists of CICS Explorer client and a CICS TS server extension
- CICS Explorer client
 - Read-only capabilities (like CEMT INQUIRE)
 - Eclipse-based user interface on workstation
 - · Connects to CICS TS via TCP/IP Communication via HTTP requests
 - One CICS Explorer client for z/VSE and z/OS
- CICS Explorer server extension
 - Delivered as PTF for CICS TS for VSE/ESA 1.1.1

Integrated into CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1 (z/VSE 6.1)

- Provides update capability to CICS resources (like CEMT SET)
 - · Update resources as you would do with transactions on your CICS terminal
 - Enable / disable CICS resources, change selected CICS definitions, ...

Integrated into CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2 (z/VSE 6.2)

- Define new CICS resources and modify or delete existing resources (like CEDA)
- Monitor, control, and update dynamic storage areas and global temporary storage queue statistics.



Channels and Containers

Already available in CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1 on z/VSE 6.1

- Channels and containers lift the 32K Commarea limitation
 - Applicable for both LINK and XCTL, Distributed Program Link (DPL)
 - Affects the exchange of data between CICS tasks
 - Local and transaction routing
 - START with data
- z/VSE ported the channel and container APIs based on CICS TS for z/OS 3.1
 - Language support is provided for C, COBOL, HLASM, and PL/I
- Channels and Containers limitations
 - In 31 bit virtual storage only
 - No support for
 - External CICS Interface (EXCI), External Call Interface (ECI)
 - EXEC CICS WEB ... commands to receive/send data directly into/from containers
 - Business Transaction Services (BTS)







Containers

'Employee'	
'Branch'	
'Payslip']

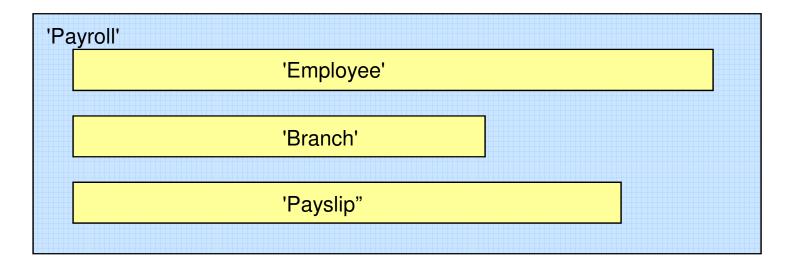
- To solve the 32K Commarea problem a new construct is provided
- Named block of data designed for passing information between programs
 - Like named COMMAREAs

CONTAINER API

- Created using (EXEC CICS) PUT CONTAINER, defines the size of the container
- Read using (EXEC CICS) GET CONTAINER
- Delete using (EXEC CICS) DELETE CONTAINER, to free storage, if no longer required
- No CICS enforced size limitation
 - Containers are stored within the CICS EDSA (31 bit partition virtual storage)



Channels



A group of Containers

- No limit on the number of Containers in a Channel

A Channel is a sort of program interface

- Passed on LINK, XCTL, pseudo-conversational RETURN, and START commands

Non-persistent

- Non-recoverable resource similar to commareas

CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2 - HTTP 1.1 Support

CICS Web Support has been upgraded to comply with HTTP 1.1

- Provides support for the latest web browsers and applications
- Ported from CICS TS for z/OS 3.1, CICS acting as a server
- TCPIPSERVICE PROTOCOL(<u>HTTP</u>|ECI|USER)

New function has been added:

- Persistent connections
 - Allows to keep a connection open so that additional HTTP requests can flow over the same connection
 - Avoids connection establishment overhead for frequent requests
- Pipelining
 - Allows to flow multiple HTTP requests over a single (persistent) connection
 - Subsequent request can be transmitted before the response of the first one has been received
 - Response must be returned in the same sequence as request was received
- Chunking
 - · Allows to send data in several smaller chunks, each with its own size and data
 - No longer need to know the complete size of the data before sending the data
- Support for additional HTTP methods:
 - · OPTIONS: To get capabilities of the server without requesting a resource
 - TRACE: Client can see what the other end received

CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2 – Misc. enhancements



- Relative addressing instructions in Assembler programs (without base register)
 - New operands added to DFHEIENT and DFHEIRET macros
 - Beneficial for translated programs that are greater than 4095 bytes

Common date and time stamp formats used on the internet

- Define correct date and time stamp in HTTP header
- New CONVERTTIME command and new option for FORMATTIME

Language Environment (LE) MAIN for Assembler applications

- New translator option LEASM to enable LE functions and setup LE environment
- Assembler programs translated with LEASM can be used as task-related user exits (TRUEs) or global user exits (GLUEs)

New SIT parameter: MAXSOCKETS

- Specifies the maximum number of TCP/IP sockets, that can be handled by CICS

z/VSE 6.2: Security Enhancements



OpenSSL component of z/VSE enhancements:

- The OpenSSL component of z/VSE (z/VSE Cryptographic Services) will be upgraded benefit from newer SSL/TLS functions
- The OpenSSL component will transparently use hardware acceleration for Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC), if available

CICS TS V2.2 security enhancements:

 OpenSSL support for CICS Web Support will give clients more flexibility and allow them to take advantage of the OpenSSL security

EZA API enhancements:

 The EZA 'Multiplexer' and the EZA OpenSSL support will simplify the use of the EZA interface with any TCP/IP stack and allow to transparently use OpenSSL with EZA SSL-applications

VTAPE enhancements:

 Clients can use SSL/TLS connections for remote VTAPEs (virtual tapes) to protect sensitive data during network transfer

z/VSE 6.2: Security Enhancements ...



Basic Security Manager (BSM)

- Repositories for online and batch security (VSE / BSM control file, DTSECTAB)
- Batch resources protected via DTSECTAB phase
- z/VSE 6.2 provides a common interface for online and batch resources via Interactive Interface dialogs
 - New dialogs generate the DTSECTAB

LDAP sign-on enhancements provide

- RESET option for LDAP user mapping tool to clear cached user password hash
 - Forces full LDAP sign-on at next user sign-on
- Wildcard support for CHANGE and DELETE commands of user mapping tool

z/VSE 6.2: EZA API Enhancements

• EZA Multiplexer

- With the EZASOKET and EZASMI interfaces you can specify which socket interface module to the TCP/IP partition is to be used
 - Default: EZASOH99 (for TCP/IP for z/VSE)
- Select the EZA socket interface routine:
 - Via JCL statement: // SETPARM [SYSTEM,]EZA\$PHA='phasename'
 - Via parameter ADSNAME on the EZAAPI/EZASOKET INITAPI call
- It must be ensured that the correct socket interface modules are used with the configured Stack ID
 - If you for example try to use the IPv6/VSE socket interface module with the TCP/IP for z/VSE Stack, then this will fail
- The EZA Multiplexer can be used to ease the correct setup of socket interface modules for the corresponding stack IDs.
 - The multiplexer allows you to perform a **one time setup** and to assign the corresponding socket interface modules to the stack IDs
 - The use of the multiplexer is transparent for your application

EZA OpenSSL Support

- Besides the EZA socket interface routine, the EZA Multiplexer also allows you to specify an alternative EZA SSL interface routine
 - Default: The same as the EZA socket interface routine
- The new EZA SSL interface routine IJBEZAOS provides an interface to z/VSE's OpenSSL implementation
- The use of an alternative EZA SSL interface routine is transparent for your application
 - OpenSSL uses different key and certificate formats (e.g. PEM instead of .PRVK, .ROOT, .CERT)

→ This makes z/VSE's OpenSSL support available for non-LE/C applications (i.e. COBOL, PL/1, HLASM)

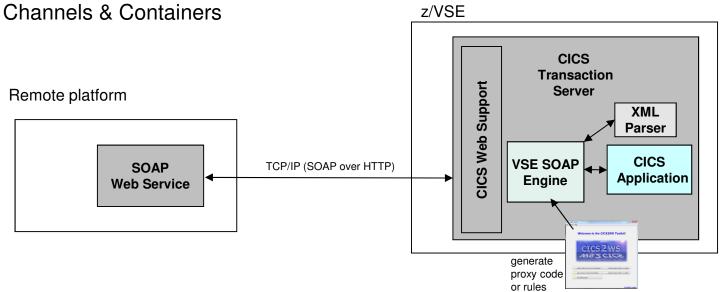




z/VSE 6.2: Connector Enhancements

Web Service-enable z/VSE CICS applications

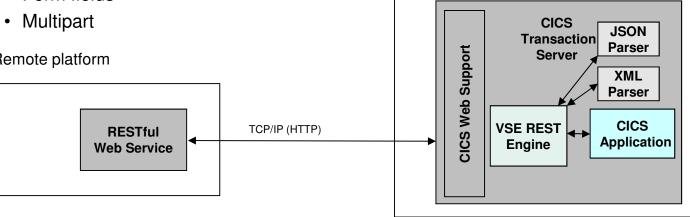
- Provide existing CICS applications as Web Service to the outside world
 - z/VSE as the SOAP server
- Use/call external Web Services from within z/VSE CICS applications
 - z/VSE as the SOAP client
- CICS2WS Tool is used to generate proxy code or mapping rules
- New with z/VSE 6.2:
 - z/VSE SOAP Engine now supports



z/VSE 6.2: RESTful Web Services support

- Use REST (Representational State Transfer) with CICS applications
 - Provide existing CICS applications as RESTful Web Service to the outside world
 - z/VSE as the REST server
 - Use/call external RESTful Web Services from within z/VSE CICS applications
 - z/VSE as the REST client
 - Payload can be:
 - JSON (JavaScript Object Notation)
 - XML
 - Plain text
 - Binary
 - Form fields

Remote platform



z/VSE





What is REST (Representational State Transfer)?

- Representational State Transfer (REST) is a software architecture style consisting of guidelines and best practices for creating web services
 - REST has gained widespread acceptance across the web as a simpler alternative to SOAP and WSDL-based web services



- RESTful systems typically communicate over the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (**HTTP**) with the same HTTP verbs (GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, and so on) used by web browsers
- The payload (message) transported by RESTful web services can be of various types (content types)
 - Commonly used is **JSON** as well as **XML**, but it can also be plain text, or even binary data
- A RESTful web service typically operates on a certain 'object' on a server
 - The object is typically addressed through the URI (part of the URL), for example http://example.com/resource
- Actions on such resources are typically denoted by the HTTP request types:
 - GET would typically read the resource
 - **PUT** would typically **update/replace** the resource
 - POST would typically create the resource
 - DELETE would typically delete the resource
- RESTful web services are typically stateless
 - Each request from any client contains all the information necessary to service the request
 - The session state is therefore held in the client

→ As denoted by the term 'typically' in above descriptions, there is no hard requirement for any of the described properties

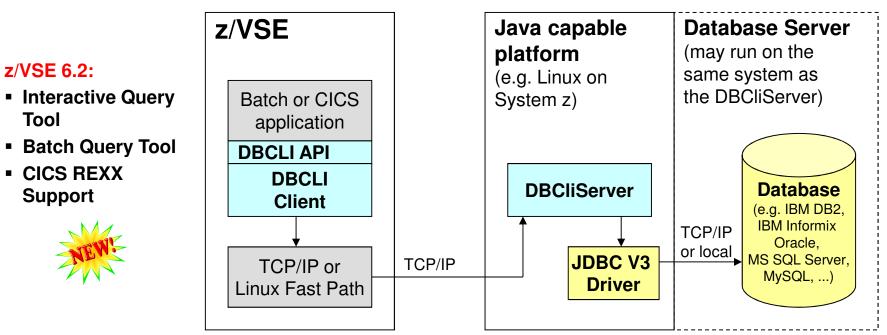


z/VSE 6.2: z/VSE Database Call Level Interface enhancements

- Allows z/VSE applications to access a relational database on any suitable database server
 - IBM DB2, IBM Informix, Oracle, MS SQL Server, MySQL, etc.
 - →The database product must provide a JDBC driver that supports JDBC V3.0 or later

→Utilize advanced database functions and use SQL statements provided by modern database products

- Available since z/VSE 5.2



z/VSE 6.2: Networking Enhancements

\rightarrow New TCP/IP releases

IBM IPv6/VSE 1.3

- New FTP server security interface
 - FTP access to z/VSE file system may be protected by Basic Security Mager (BSM) or External Security Manger (ESM) using the resource class FACILITY

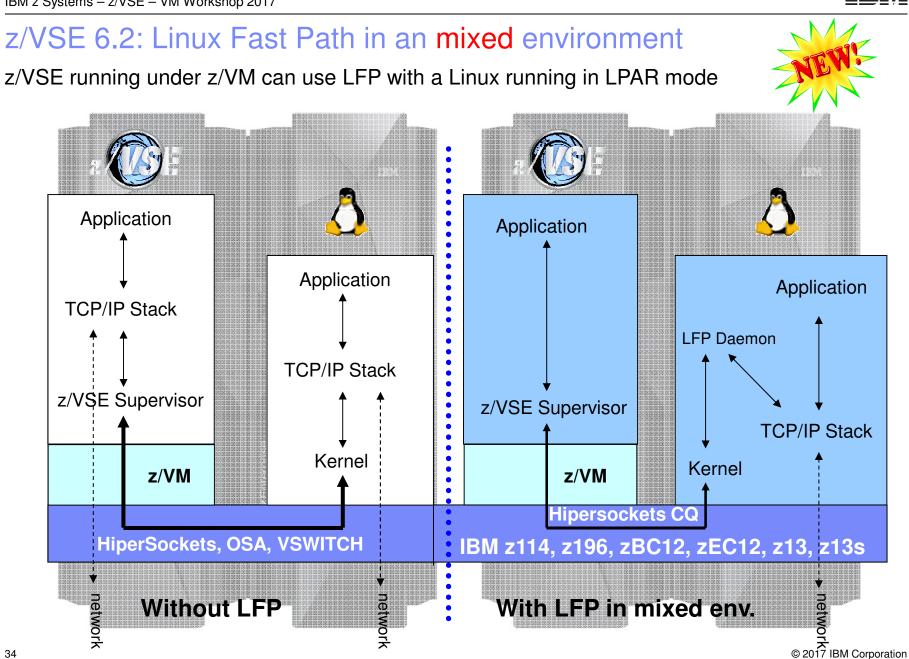
- SSH copy facility
 - Uses a Linux pass-through image for a SSL connection to a remote host
 - Secure file transfer via SSH to and from z/VSE
 - Compatible with IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE, LFP, z/VM IP Assist (VIA) and VNA
- TXT2PDF generation facility
 - Based on open source txt2pdf
 - Converts a text file into a Portable Docment Format (PDF) file
- IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.2
 - Provides TLS 1.2 support







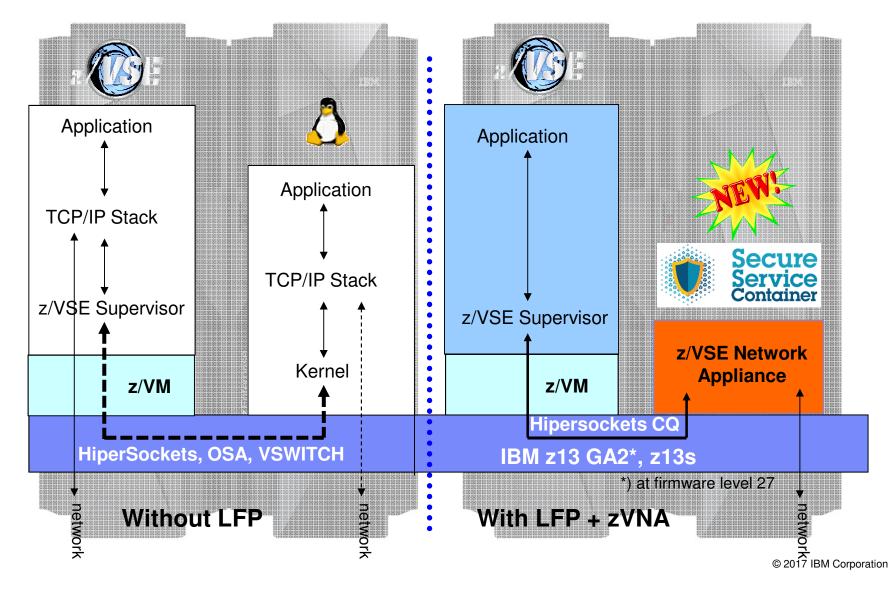






z/VSE 6.2: z/VSE Network Appliance (zVNA) with z/VSE under z/VM

Exploits the IBM Secure Service Container introduced on the z13 platform



z/VSE 6.2 Compatibility

- Architectural Level Set (ALS) to z114 / z196
- Tape delivery dropped with z/VSE 6.2
 - z/VSE will be delivered on DVD or electronically via Shopz
- Starting with z/VSE V6.1, z/VSE is shipped as English version only.
- z/VSE 6.2 can not be installed on 3380 disks (or 3390 in 3380 track compatibility mode)
 3380 disks still supported as data disks
- Upgrade to z/VSE 6.2 via Initial Installation or Fast Service Upgrade (FSU)
 - FSU from z/VSE 6.1 to z/VSE 6.2 only
 - FSU not supported from z/VSE V5 or if system disks are on 3380
 - z/VSE 6.2 upgrade will fail, if z/VSE not on z114 / z196 or higher
- CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2
 - Replaces CICS TS for z/VSE 2.1 (not supported on z/VSE 6.2)
 - All CICS tables from earlier releases need to be recompiled / relinked
 - TCPIPSERVICE need to be redefined
- CICS transactions no longer protected via DTSECTXN table
 - DTSECTXN table entries to be migrated to Basic Security Manager (BSM) control file
- IBM IPv6/VSE 1.3 replaces IBM IPv6/VSE 1.2 (not supported on z/VSE 6.2)
- IBM TCP/IP for z/VSE 2.2 replaces IBM TCP for z/VSE 2.1 (not supported on z/VSE 6.2)





Summary

z/VSE 6.2

- GA planned for 4Q 2017
- Exploits innovative IBM z Systems and IBM System Storage technology
- Runs on z196 / z144 or newer
- Provides lots of new features and functions
- Provides CICS TS for z/VSE 2.2
- Provides new releases of IBM IPv6/VSE and TCP/IP for z/VSE





Questions?



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