### z/VM Update

- Important news about z/VM Version 5.4
- Introducing z/VM Version 6.1

...and beyond





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## Agenda

IBM Systems Director

z/VM Version 5.4

z/VM Version 6.1

Statements of Direction



# IBM Systems Director VMControl Image Manager for Linux on System z Version 2.1 Announced July 21, 2009; Availabile July 24, 2009



- VMControl Image Manager is a plug-in to IBM Systems Director V6.1
  - Effectively replaces the "z/VM Center" extension of IBM Director V5.20
- Provides support to manage and automate the deployment of virtual images from a centralized location
  - A virtual image consists of an operating system instance and the software stack, such as middleware and applications, running on that operating system
- VMControl Image Manager provides a graphical interface to create and deploy Linux images on z/VM and AIX images on Power systems
  - Definition of these system images is based on the industry-standard Open Virtualization Format (OVF) specifications – facilitates importation of virtual images
  - Deploy an all-in-one solution instead of OS, middleware, and application piece parts
  - Clone already-tested system configurations
  - Propagate virtual image updates to all instances
- IBM Systems Director and VMControl Image Manager help support a Dynamic Infrastructure
  - Helps improve responsiveness to changing business needs
  - May increase operational productivity
  - Can help reduce service and support costs





#### z/VM Version 5.4 Functional Enhancements

- Port isolation security that provides the ability to restrict guest-to-guest communications within a Virtual Switch (VSWITCH) by exploiting OSA-Express2 and OSA-Express3 QDIO data connection isolation.
  - VM64463 (CP), PK67610 (VSWITCH controller), OSA LIC October 2008 or higher
- Linux guest use of Dynamic Storage Reconfiguration
  - VM64524
- SSL server that operates in a CMS environment instead of requiring a Linux distribution
  - PK65850+
- Support for the HCD WWPN prediction tool, CDBSCONF
  - VM64579
- Network driver needed by OpenSolaris
  - VM64471



#### z/VM Version 5.4 Functional Enhancements

- Support for the IBM FlashCopy SE feature on the IBM DS8000 which provides a spaceefficient snapshot capability that can greatly reduce the storage capacity needed for point-intime copies.
  - VM64449
- Multiple file dump support
  - VM64495
- Support for the IBM System Storage Enterprise 3592 Tape Controller Model C06 and 3592
   Tape Drive Model E06
  - VM64459 (CP), VM64458 (DFSMS/VM)
- Display encryption and solid-state indicators for IBM DS8000
  - VM64650
- DFSMS/RMS support for disk-only configuration of IBM Virtualization Engine TS7720
  - VM64657 (via z/VSE)



#### z/VM Version 5.4 Marketing and Service Updates

- End of Service for z/VM V5.4 has been extended to September 30, 2013
  - Expect software support until end of hardware service for System z9
- Marketing of z/VM V5.4 will continue after the availability of z/VM V6.1
  - Clients with pre-z10 systems and unable to move to z10 technology in a timely manner can upgrade to or acquire z/VM V5.4
  - Support of secondary hardware market
  - IBM will provide at least 3 months notice before z/VM V5.4 is withdrawn from marketing



## z/VM Version 6.1 The Foundation for System z Virtualization Growth Previewed July 7, 2009; Planned Availability: Q4 2009

- Establishes a new z/VM technology base for IBM System z10 and future systems
  - Acknowledges the highly attractive economics of workload consolidation on z10 servers
    - z/VM V6.1 only operates on z10 EC, z10 BC, and future generation servers
  - Allows optimization of z/VM function for greater business value on newer hardware
- New function and packaging in z/VM V6.1
  - Exploitation of the System z10 server cache management instructions to help improve the performance of z/VM virtual networking
  - Better integration with IBM Systems Director by shipping the Manageability Access Point (MAP) agent with z/VM V6.1 for easier installation of the agent
  - Inclusion of the functional enhancements previously delivered in the z/VM V5.4 service stream (most in base + a few SPEs)
- Preview announcement includes statements of direction for future z/VM support
  - z/VM hypervisor clustering support: "Single System Image"
  - Linux virtual machine mobility support: "Live Guest Relocation"



## z/VM Statements of Direction Clustered Hypervisor Support and Guest Mobility Overview of Planned New Function

- Clients can cluster up to four z/VM systems in a Single System Image (SSI)
- Provides a set of shared resources for the z/VM systems and their hosted virtual machines
- Users can run z/VM system images on the same and/or different System z10 servers
- Simplifies systems management of a multi-z/VM environment
  - Single user directory
  - Cluster management from any system
    - Apply maintenance to all systems in the cluster from one location
    - Issue commands from one system to operate on another
  - Built-in cross-system capabilities
  - Resource coordination and protection: network and disks
- Dynamically move Linux guests from one z/VM system to another with Live Guest Relocation
- Cross-system communications for "single system image" management

  Z/VM 1

  Shared disks

  Z/VM 2

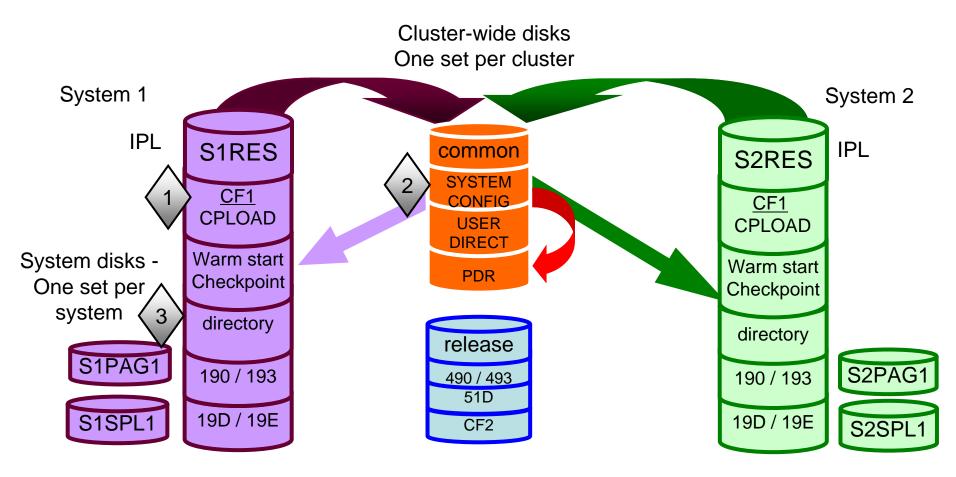
  Z/VM 4

  Private disks
- Reduce planned outages; enhance workload management
- Non-disruptively move work to available system resources <u>and</u> non-disruptively move system resources to work

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#### SSI Cluster – A closer look



Release disks
One set per release per cluster



# Thanks!