

AGENDA

- Why Go to SHARE?
- Quotes of Interest
- Odds and Ends
- Best Sessions
- Other Sessions of Interest
- SHARE Status

Cover: Cinderella's Castle at Walt Disney World in Florida (Personal by Ed Webb)

Here: Cartwheel Galaxy from James Webb Space Telescope

Courtesy of NASA

Last slide: Disney's Tron ride at Walt Disney World in Florida (Disney Photopass)



WHY GO TO SHARE?

- Mainframe Skills Council customers and vendors and IBM
 - https://newsroom.ibm.com/IBM-Mainframe-Skills
 - Mainframe Skills Council IBM, SHARE, other key organizations
- ibm.biz/aprvirtualfair IBM Z Career Fair (online) April 11, 2024
- z/OS 3.1 <u>Announcement</u> Review and Upgrade Planning
- Late-breaking z/OS 3.1 News IQ2024 Continuous Delivery Functions
- Networking with peers and IBM developers and executives

WHY GO TO SHARE?

- SHARE Requirements Carry More Weight with IBM than Ideas (were RFEs)
 - On SHARE site, use Vote for Submission to more easily view text of requirement
 - https://www.share.org/Connect/Advocacy-Requirements-System
 - www.ibm.com/ideas z/OS direct link
 - · Submit tactical rather than strategic Ideas

WHY (DO I STILL) GO TO SHARE?

- Because I'm a Z Person who has attended these conferences since 1979; first at GUIDE starting in 1979, then at SHARE in 1999
- Networking with Friends and Vendors
- Staying Current and Being Re-energized about z/OS
- SHARE Emeritus Membership eliminates Membership Cost
 - Dramatically Reduces Registration expenses
- Walt Disney World!

SHARE 2024 ORLANDO

5 Days In-Person and Some Recordings!

- Four Days Full of Content with some sessions recorded
- SHARE Tech Exchange Monday and Tuesday evenings with food
- SHARE Tech Exchange Wednesday lunch with food
- Lunch (free) at Learn Sessions on Monday and Thursday
- Broadcom-sponsored Lunch (free) on Tuesday
- Recorded sessions are available soon (Ends July 31, 2024)
 - 45-50 minute sessions video and audio with handouts in most cases
- SHARE Partners with dedicated sessions on Tuesday

QUOTES OF INTEREST

- Justin Wren, former mixed martial arts player, as SHARE keynote
 - https://www.fightfortheforgotten.org
 Fight for the Forgotten
- · "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together"
 - Swahili proverb
- "If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping in a closed room with a mosquito"

QUOTES OF INTEREST

- Cheryl Watson at Core Tech z/OS Track Welcome
- "Share your SHARE experience, session reports"
- "Don't say no to any new skills"
- "Travel as much of the world as you can to understand world and people"
 - · "Governments are crap but people are great"

ODDS AND ENDS

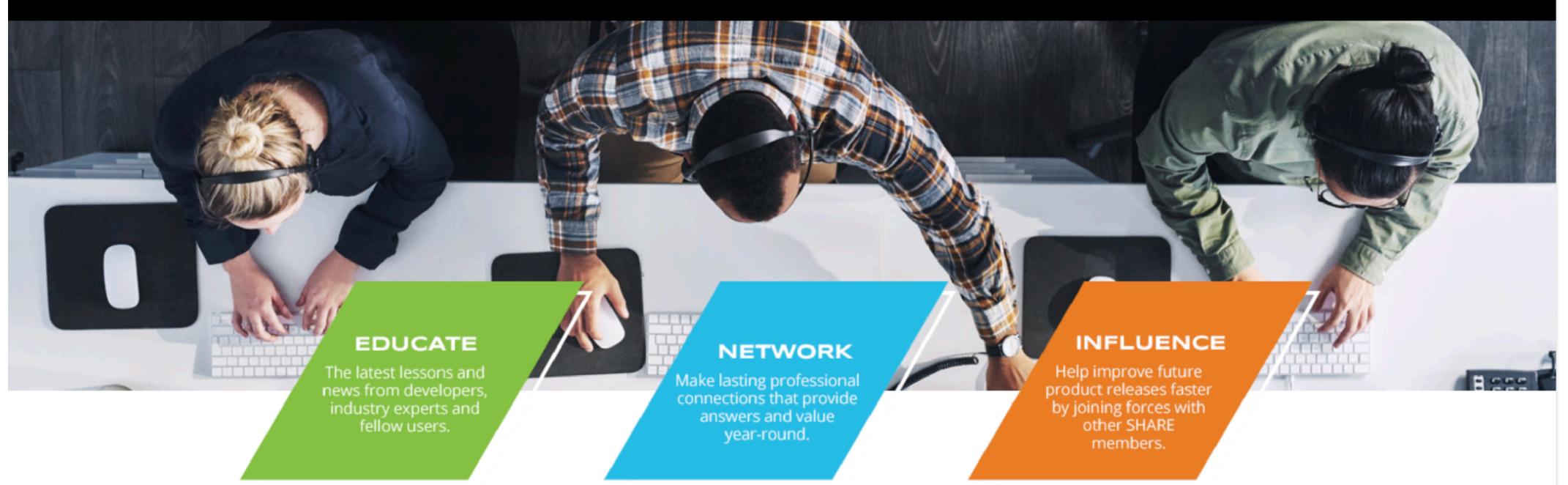
- Curious about some new z/OS function? Then locate details here:
 - https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/new-function-apars-zos-platform
 - https://www.ibm.com/support/z-content-solutions/management-services
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Core Tech z/OS Track Welcome

By Art Gutowski of Huntington Bank and others

 Core Tech Track includes z/OS Systems programming, hardware, storage, communication server

• https://www.ibm.com/cloud/wazi-as-a-service

Critical z/OS Service APARs by John Shebey of IBM

Core Tech z/OS Track Welcome

Cheryl Watson Keynote and Farewell

- Math and physics degrees
- IBM 1620 1964 first computer she worked on
- IBM 1401 1965 Wrote a payroll system for 4K hardware in Autocoder
- IBM 360 1966 COBOL and Assembler
- 1976 First SHARE when she was at EDS, built a 3-ring binder of session handouts with tabbed sections
- 1985 First IBM PC
- 1986 met Tom Walker
- 1987 Barry Merrill brought MXG to SHARE; MXG was from SAS and he bought it from SAS
- 1991 Cheryl Watson's Tuning Letter
- 1995 WLM QuickStart Policy

Core Tech z/OS Track Welcome

Cheryl Watson Keynote and Farewell

- 1998 Cheryl's Hot Flashes session started at SHARE
- 2014 Frank Kyne joined W&W from IBM Redbooks
- 2015 GSE in Boblingen, Germany
- 2019 Frank Kyne became President of W&W
- 2023 CW rotator cup damaged, reverse shoulder replacement surgery
 - Deep brain stimulator to control tremors
 - 2 months in Morocco and Spain
 - Decided to retire and enjoy life
 - CW is currently 79 in 2024

Core Tech z/OS Track Welcome

Cheryl Watson Keynote and Farewell

- Future of the mainframe
 - More attention to young people
 - Different vocabulary
 - Fewer nuts and bolts (I.e. parameters)
 - Controlled (managed) Al
 - Higher effort on security

What's New in z/OS 3.1: The Sunshine Edition

By Dave Surmon, Steve Warren, Marna Walle of IBM

- · New version (first in 10 years), updated license requirements, same pricing
- no V for version in front of 3.1 it's just IBM z/OS 3.1
- z/OS 3.1 themes are Al-Infusion, modernization and simplification, security and resiliency
- z/OS 3.1 requires Semeru [Java] 11, Java 8 still works on 3.1
 - Semeru 17 Available and will be Required during life of z/OS 3.1 (Nov. 2024)
 - 25 years of Java on z/OS Anniversary
- SCA (Security Configuration Assistant) line mode support can be used before z/OSMF starts first time

z/OS 3.1 Release Overview – z/OS support summary

Release	z10 EC z10 BC WdfM	z196 Z114 WdfM	zEC12 zBC12 WdfM	z13 Z13s WdfM	z14 ZR1 WdfM	z15	z 16	End of Service	Extended Defect Support
z/OS V2.2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9/20	9/232
z/OS V2.3			X	X	X	X	X	9/22	9/252
z/OS V2.4			X	X	X	X	X	9/241	9/272
z/OS V2.5				X	X	X	X	9/26 ¹	9/292
z/OS 3.1					X	X	X	9/28 ¹	9/31 ²

Notes:

WdfM - Server has been withdrawn from Marketing

Legend

Defect support provided with IBM Software Support Services for z/OS

Generally supported

¹- All statements regarding IBM's plans, directions, and intent are subject to change or withdrawal without notice.

²-Extended support dates are projected and are subject to change or withdrawal without notice.

What's New in z/OS 3.1:The Sunshine Edition

- z/OS Software Package Signing (CD)
 - IBM Portable Software Instances being signed with intro of 3.1 (optional use)
 - Exploitable by ISVs such as Broadcom
- Python Al Toolkit for IBM z/OS 1.1
 - Free and paid versions
- Al Toolkit for IBM Z and LinuxOne
 - Free and paid versions

- z/OS Management Services Catalog (CD)
- System Management
 - Al System Services for IBM z/OS
 - Machine Learning for z/OS Core and Common Data provider
 - SMF Explorer with Python (CD)
 - JES2 Policy, Job Notifications, Resiliency improvements
 - MEMLIMIT diagnostics, BCPii and HCM are 64-bit and support Semeru II

- Data Serving and Storage
 - Cloud Storage via DASD or Tape or directly (cloud data access (CD))
 - DFhsm hierarchical support for cloud, other enhancements
 - UNIX file backup and restore including EXCLUDE
 - DFdfp Catalog enhancements, exits, reporting
 - DFrmm Tape Management z/OSMF plug-in
 - NFS server and Union File System (CD)
 - Data Set File System (CD) for Unix access to z/OS data sets

- Security
 - Database encryption requires moving RACF DB to VSAM DB
 - Improvement for SPECIAL user revocation
 - · ICSF Master Key Ownership, Read-Only Archive keyword
 - TLS improvements affect TSO and FTP
 - z/OS Authorized Code Scanner and Monitor priced feature
 - z/OS Authorized Code Monitor for production
 - Compliance Support for z/OS better reporting, health checks

- z/OS Education Assistant for z/OS 3.1 materials at z/OS github:
 - https://github.com/IBM/IBM-Z-zOS/tree/main/zOS-Education/zOS-3.1-Education
- z/OS Requirements (RFEs) are now Ideas based on AHA platform:
 - https://ideas.IBM.com
- Here's the Link to User Requirements satisfied by z/OS 2.5 (any in 3.1?):
 - https://www-01.ibm.com/servers/resourcelink/svc00100.nsf/pages/zosv2r5user-req?OpenDocument
- Use SHARE requirements to submit requirements
 - https://www.share.org/Connect/Advocacy-Requirements-System

IBM z/OS Container Platform

by Kershaw Mehta of IBM

- Open Container Initiative for container runtime and Kubernetes orchestration technology
- Container
 - Standard unit of software that packages app code and all required dependencies
 - Uses facilities in OS to run apps in isolated environment
 - Moving, stacking, unstacking of compliant software easier app portability and isolation containers, like applications, are OS and HW dependent
 - Containers are the currency for Cloud applications
- z/OS Container Extensions (zCX) run linux, docker or OpenShift apps on z/OS

- Containers for Application Deployment
 - Personal computer>virtual machines > Containers
 - Remove VM layer and update OS to run containers
- Containers Today
 - X86, Windows Containers, Linux on Z, z/OS Container Extensions
- Benefits behind containers
 - Skills consistency (tools and skills are aligned across organization)
 - Standardization, orchestration (deploy and management such as Kubernetes) across container-supporting platforms

- z/OS Container Platform is (OCI-compliant) native on z/OS
- z/OS Container Platform Is New
 - Announced March 5, 2024 at SHARE
 - App, config, monitoring agent, software libraries
 - Enable sysprogs to create templates (images) for consumption by developers in a regulated manner

- Open source tech is used to implement containers on z/OS
 - OCI-compliant, Kubernetes [kubelet is Started Task], CRI-O (lightweight alternative to Docker runs as Started Task), RunC is container runtime, Podman (POD manager) [CLI build, run for lifecycle of container], skopeo [CLI to manage images], umoci [image build]
 - Red Hat Open Shift runs these same technologies
- K Control Plane (zCX-like address space) built to run as a appliance (zCPA)
 - K cluster has odd number of zCPAs that vote to manage apps

- z/OS Container Platform Rollout
 - z/OS Unix applications z/OS Connect, Java, Node.js, Python
 - z/OS Connect will probably be the first z/OS containerized application
 - Traditional middleware apps CICS, IMS, Db2
- z/OS Container Platform GA March 15, 2024
 - Kubernetes and other parts will be delivered later
 - Order with z/OS 2.5 and 3.1 at no charge (S&S charges may apply)
 - Installed via 35 PTFs FIXCAT(IBM.z/OS.ContainerPlatform)
 - Pull container images from IBM Secure Registry

Upgrading to 3.1: Planning (1 of 2)

By Marna Walle and Aaron Kippins of IBM

- z16 HW workflow
 - /usr/lpp/bcp/upgrade/z16_zOS_Upgrade_Workflow.xml
- Content of 3.1
 - Crypto HCR77E0 is element of z/OS 3.1 no web-deliverable needed
 - "Future function" related to IBM Documentation Function
 - DFSMStvs priced feature is now part of base
 - RMF enables z/OS Advanced Data gatherer and ADG enables zWIC

- Ordering a deliverable
 - z/OS 3.1 Ordering started Sept. 19, 2023
 - requires entitlement (new version but no price change) so get human involved
 - Crypto 2.5 HCR77D2 and 3.1 HCR77E0 are incorporated
- No charge orderables but require S&S paid:
 - IBM Al System Services for IBM z/OS
 - SDK for Node.js 16.0 and 18.0 (20.0 not yet supported by Zowe)

- Ordering a deliverable (continued)
- IBM Semeru Runtime Certified Edition [Java] for z/OSVI.II
 - ===>>> z/OS 3.1 requires this Semeru II EOM Apr2024 and EOS Nov2024
 - ===>>> z/OS 3.1 Now Requires Semeru 17
- You can Port SMS to non-SMS during PSI install

- z/OS Support policies
 - IBM.Coexistence.z/OS.3.1
 - Use IBM.Coexistence.z/OS.* for FIXCAT
- Target System DASD sizing
 - Target, DLIB and Fonts libraries PDS and PDSE (about same as 2.4 and 2.5)
 - Root 4500>5600 CYLs Extended Addressability volume is strongly recommended
- Driving System
 - z/OS 2.4 or z/OS 2.5 with z/OSMF active and Software Management available
 - READ access to CB.OS* and CB.ST* data set names
 - APPLY Driving System PTFs using FIXCAT IBM.DrivingSystem-RequiredService

- Upgrade workflows
 - /usr/lpp/BCP/upgrade has Workflows for 2.4>3.1 or 2.5>3.1
- Updates to 3.1 upgrade workflow will have same FIXCAT
 - "Create new based on existing" to pick up updates and continue your WF
- Reordered steps by time sequence instead of component order
 - HOLD Action PTFs are in WF, so if PTF is installed WF skips steps
 - Automatically runs REPORT MISSINGFIX
- General z/OSMF Portable Software Instance (ServerPac)
 - https://www.IBM.com/support/z-content-solutions/serverpac-install-zosmf/

Upgrading to z/OS V3.1: Planning Summary



- Changing content of z/OS 3.1
 - New z/OS content: XML Toolkit, Change TrackerDFSMStvs is included in the base
 - •Removed in z/OS V2.5: HFS
 - •Removed in z/OS 3.1: JES3, ISFPARMS, Alternate Base, CommServer Security L3, ...
- Timeline of z/OS ordering and deliverables associated products to consider
- z/OS Policies
 - •Three consecutive releases (√2.4 → 3.1) for coexistence, upgrade, fallback.
- Ensuring System Requirements are Satisfied
 - •Driving, Target SW, Target HW, and Coexisting System Requirements
 - •z/OS 3.1 requires z14 or later
 - •Memory requirements: 8 GB "native", or 2 GB zPDT or under zVM of memory
 - Target system requirements: general Java SDK 11 functional requirement.
 - •Use FIXCATs IBM. TargetSystem-RequiredService.z/OS.3.1, IBM.Coexistence.z/OS.3.1, IBM.Function.HealthChecker, IBM.TargetSystem-RequiredService.Semeru.* ...
- Use IBM Health Checker for Upgrade Actions:Install and activate checks
- Use z/OSMF Workflow for z/OS 3,1 Upgrade:Goodbye, book!
- z/OSMF is the ServerPac driving system as of July 10, 2022!
 - This includes all ServerPacs, including middleware.

Attend Upgrading to z/OS 3.1: Part 2 Technical Actions for an overview of the upgrade

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Upgrading to 3.1:Technical Actions (2 of 2)

- What is an upgrade action? Not exploitation, just getting current stuff running on 3.1
- Upgrade actions
 - Now, Pre-First-IPL, Post-First IPL is new order for Upgrade Workflows
 - Steps are Required, Required-IF, Recommended
 - Overview to 3.1 from 2.5 or 2.4
 - 80+ new upgrade actions
 - No new address spaces
 - SDSF cleanup: ISF.SISFLINK and SISFMIG removed from LPALST and LNKLST
 - New in 3.1: XML toolkit target, dlibs, paths
 - HealthChecks
 - 2.5 added 9 checks, 3.1 added 3 checks

<u>Upgrade actions at V2.5 you should not overlook:</u>

1. z/OSMF ServerPac driving system requirement.



2. HFS removal



3. Use only SAF-based security to protect SDSF functions



- 4. Activate JES2 z22 mode
- 5. Perform updates for RMF structural changes



<u>Upgrade actions at 3.1 you should not overlook:</u>



1. IBM JES3 removal



2. Use dynamic statements for SDSF configuration, not assembler macros.



3. Sysplex couple data sets are System Status Detection (SSD) capable



- 4. OpenSSH new ported level, 8.4p1
- 5. z/OSMF Workflow definition files for undeclared referenced entities, before 3.1 IPL.
- 6. zCX Workflow instances should be completed, before 3.1 IPL.

z/OS 3.1 User Experience

By Ed Jaffe of Phoenix Software International

- z/OS RFA 223-012 Announcement
- SPEs have new name: Continuous Delivery
 - 778 SPEs in 106 weeks from 2.5 GA thru Oct. 17, 2023
 - Now 7.34 SPEs per week
- OA62568 DAE EXPIRE(60|n) consider changing to I [day]
- z/OSMF Security Configuration Assistant (SCA)
 - Review & Fix
 - Security Definition File (SDF)

z/OS 3.1 User Experience

- Management Services Catalog (MSC) a z/OSMF Plug-in
 - Lots of services available
 - Swagger (built-in How to Use tool) is very helpful
 - Get Service Submission details
 - Just get dumped output, not very helpful
 - JSON object is what you want
- Ed Jaffe likes MSC!

- by Ken Irwin and Trevor Geisler of IBM
- PH56207 PARMLIB Management plug-in
- Use Security Configuration Assistant
- SMF REST Services
 - Heavyweight interface
 - If installed on Primary z/OSMF, all other REST services disabled
 - Run SMF REST Services on separate z/OSMF server instance (another ANGEL service not required)

- Java and Liberty on 3.1
- Semeru II (II.0.19.1) 64-bit implementation
 - https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6208335
 - Liberty 23.0.0.3
 - Java/Semeru SYMLINK a cautionary tale
 - z/OSMF sets JAVA_HOME in PARMLIB IZUPRM00
 - JAVA_HOME('usr/lpp/java/J11.0_64")
 - See Java APAR IJ4945 I fixes current_64 link (11.0.22 build UI95683)
 - Use z/OSMF Symlink

- TLSVI.3
 - z/OSMF 3.1 default IZU_SSL_PROTOCOL=TLS
 - Actually protocols TLS 1.2 and 1.3, not from earlier 1.0 or 1.1
 - could be set explicitly to TLS1.3 but does your network have TLS 1.3 in use?
- RSA Hardware key usage
 - Affects TLS I.3 and I.2
 - Semeru II and I7 requires RSASSA-PSS for IBMJCECCA provider (like z/OSMF)
 - Enforced at 11.0.19.0 and 17.0.7.0
 - Java 8 running on z/OS 3.1
 - 8.0.8.5
 - https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/7028845

- Open a Case
 - Determine team by URL
 - /zosmf/restfiles... z/OSMF REST team
 - /zosmf/restjobs... z/OSMF JES team
 - /zosmf/tsoapp....TSO team

Customizing z/OSMF Using Plug-ins

By Jerry Spencer of DTS Software LLC

- Download IBM Sample plug-in
 - From GitHub, download TSO Backend and others
 - extract all
- Install IBM sample plug-in
 - Steps described follow them carefully!
- Overcome personal issues
 - failed to download as binary
 - "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic" Arthur C. Clarke
 - "Get all down in it if you want to understand it" Williams

Customizing z/OSMF Using Plug-ins

- Understand IBM sample plug-in
 - Sample was written in Angular
 - "Learn Angular in 5 minutes"
 - Took more angular courses at Unity
 - Review var... files for application source
 - made minor changes then did build [analogous to compile]
 - Upload files as Binary

Customizing z/OSMF Using Plug-ins

- Create your own plug-in
 - Tweaked IBM's plug-in to create new application
 - Provide a DTS software interface for z/OSMF that mimics ISPF software
 - Update properties
 - Work-in-progress
- Wrap up
 - why not workflows instead of plug-ins?
 - Retrieved example plug-in, installed and understood it, cloned it to make our own plug-in
 - Introduced Angular learning
 - Have rudimentary plug-in

Cheryl and Her "Boy's" Lukewarm Flashes

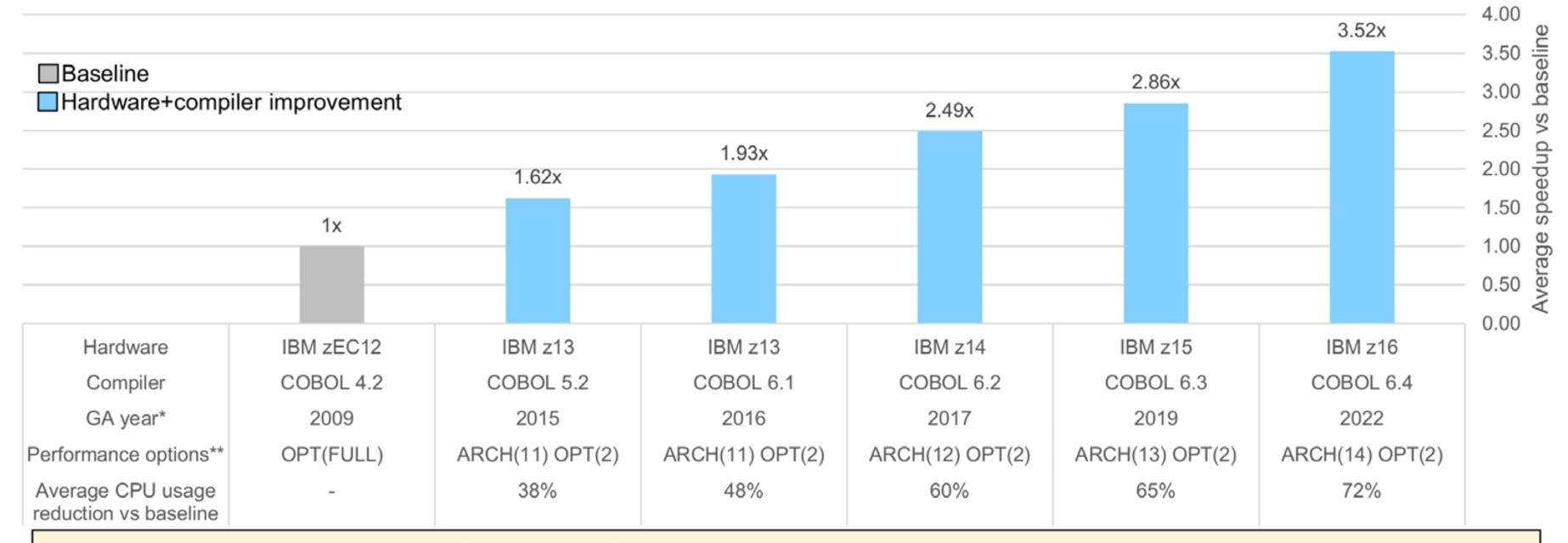
By Mario Bezzi and Frank Kyne of Watson and Walker

- z/OS Cloud Data Access (CDA)
 - z/OS application does not know where data came from and stored
 - GDKUTIL to move data between Z and Cloud
- zPCR and Modeling
 - Virtual Low CPs and zllPs
 - Too many means high overhead to manage VL CPs and zIIPs
 - Avoid VL CP and zIIPs

Evolution of COBOL compiler



History of Enterprise COBOL Performance for compute intensive and I/O bound COBOL applications



3.52x speedup from hardware and compiler improvements

Enterprise COBOL 4.2 on IBM zEC12 → Enterprise COBOL 6.4 on IBM z16 based on internal benchmarks for compute intensive and I/O bound COBOL applications

Performance results for customer applications will vary, depending on the source code, the compiler options specified, and other factors. Find the full disclaimer here.

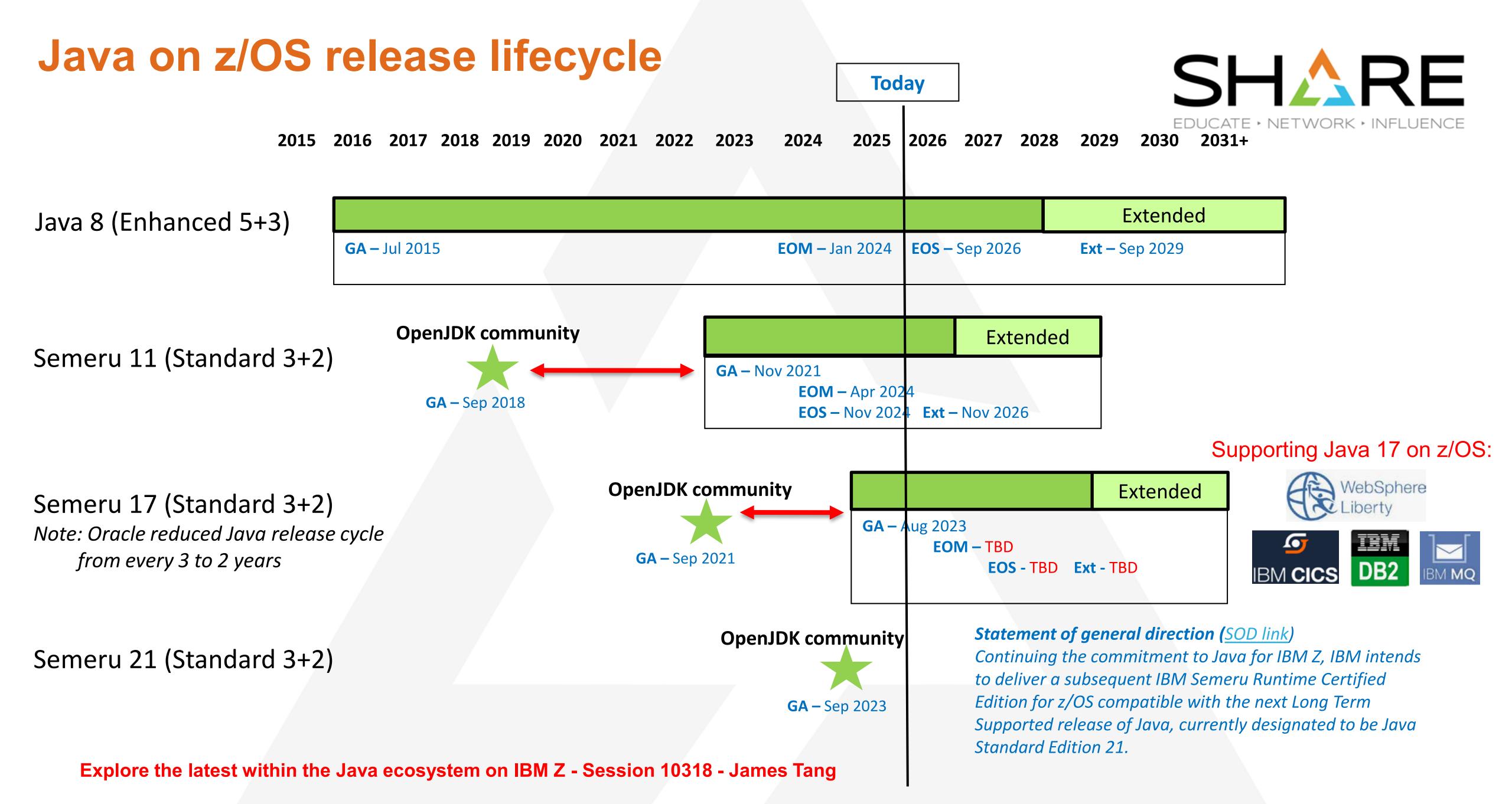
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COBOL 6.4 What's New - Session 10313 - Tom Ross

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^{*} Compiler GA year. Compiler releases generally align with hardware releases.

^{**} Recommended performance options for the respective hardware



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Bit Bucket x'43'

By Mike Shorkend, Lionel Dyck, Henri Kuiper, Ed Jaffe

- SHARE Requirements Please
 - Share.org>Connect>Advocacy and Requirements
- DSFS (data set file system)
 - ISPF interface for DSADM command for DSFS
 - github.com/lbdyck/dsfsadm
- What better for reading dataset in Python? ZOAUTIL or DSFS
 - DSFS is 53% faster than ZOAUTIL

Bit Bucket x'43'

Bob Shannon (1948-2023) - SHARE Icon and Co-Founder of Bit Bucket

- By Ed Jaffe
- SHARE volunteer history lost, deleted
 - Aron Eisenpress had old paper SHARE Interactions that helped reclaim Bob's SHARE history
- Founded SHARE Hands-on-Lab and led to SHARE LPAR at IBM POK
- Changed MVS Tech Steering to Singing and Drinking Society, now IBM Closed...

SESSIONS OF INTEREST

JES2 Product Updates

By Tom Wasik, IBM JES Architect

- JES2 3.1 Enforces Limits on TGs [Track Groups] and JOEs [Job Output Entries]
 - Environment for each option
 - If small "job", that is, TG<10K or JOE<600
 - then wait any job using more than 75%
 - If Large "job", that is, TG>10K or JOE>600
 - then wait job using more than 25%
 - Default is Wait
 - Any job will be waited
 - Control via JOBCLASS or Policy or Exit

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What's New for z/OSMF 3.1

Don't Despair, There is help for z/OSMF

- One Stop Hub
- Join IBM Z Communities to communicate with kindred spirits or lost souls
 - z/OSMF Guild <u>home page</u>
 - Archived presentations back into 2021

STATUS OF SHARE

- SHARE 2023 New Orleans highlighted 2 Changes:
 - SHARE Individual Membership (New in 2023!)
 - \$199 starting January 2024
 - Affiliate Membership at \$99 may still be available
 - SHARE Changes for Program and Projects
 - They are now called Focus Areas and Tracks
 - Some ongoing impact at Future SHAREs

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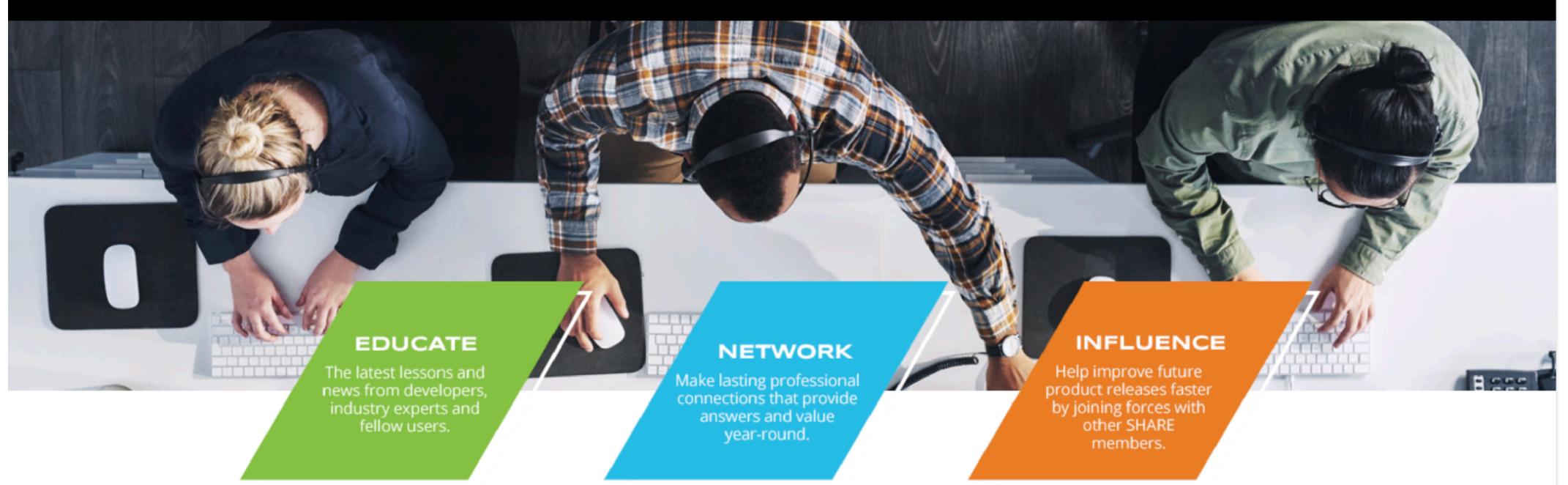
- SHARE 2024 Kansas City [Mo] will be a full four-day conference August 4-8
 - Call for Presentations Ends on Sunday, April 7, 2024
 - Registration opens in a few weeks
- Visit SHARE's **Event Calendar** for more details soon.



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zSecure Error trying to run Reports in Batch - File ...

By: David Astemborski, 25 days ago

Posted in: Security and Compliance (SEC) Open Community

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Aug 21, 08:00 - 17:00 (CT)

