

Let's Build a z Environment - 101

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Abstract – Let's Build a z Environment!

The two presentations in this series focus on the building of a z Environment – Hardware, Software, Security – with the goal of establishing a ‘Trusted Computing Base’. A z/OS System that can provide the reliability needed to meet demanding service levels, integrity and security objectives. All are necessary to execute mission critical applications. This is Intended for those new to z Systems or just beginning their careers with organizations that capitalize on systems anchored to the power and reliability of the IBM Mainframe.

In – 101 – the focus will be on the platform, in this case a z14, hardware divisions of the Central Processing Complex (CEC), its various channel pathways and related devices that define a UCW (Unit Control Work), the front half of the z System Device Chain. This segment continues with the definition of an associated Operating System configuration, its various I/O devices and related features that define a UCB (Unit Control Block), the back half of the z System Device. Detailing both the Power-On and IPL process will join UCWs and UCBs to form a fully addressable device across which data (encrypted or not) may flow to and from the CEC.

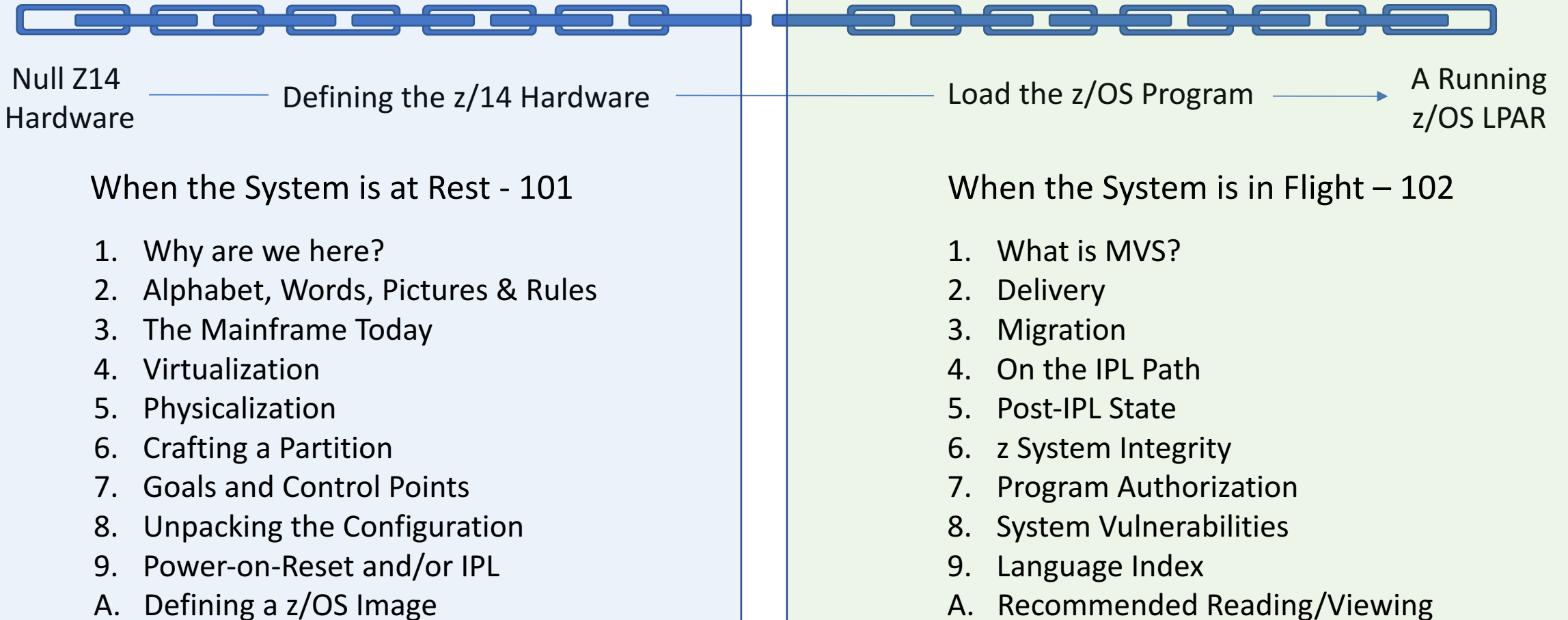
In – 102 – the focus will shift to a discussion of Multiple Virtual Storage (MVS), what is z/OS, how to get it, install it, support it and upgrade/migrate from release to release. The elements of the IPL Path – IPLPARM, IRIMS, IODF, SYSRES – to name just a few will be examined in detail as will the Post-IPL environment – APFLST, LNKST, LPALST, SVCs, EXITs, PPT. The integrity of the environment will be described within the context of the IBM Integrity Statement and the Authorized Program Facility (APF). The session ends with a discussion concerning system vulnerabilities, their potential impact and sources of possible remediation.

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Sysplex with two z14s and a z14 (CF). A total of 30 LPARs - An average size z/OS shop.



1 - Why are we here?



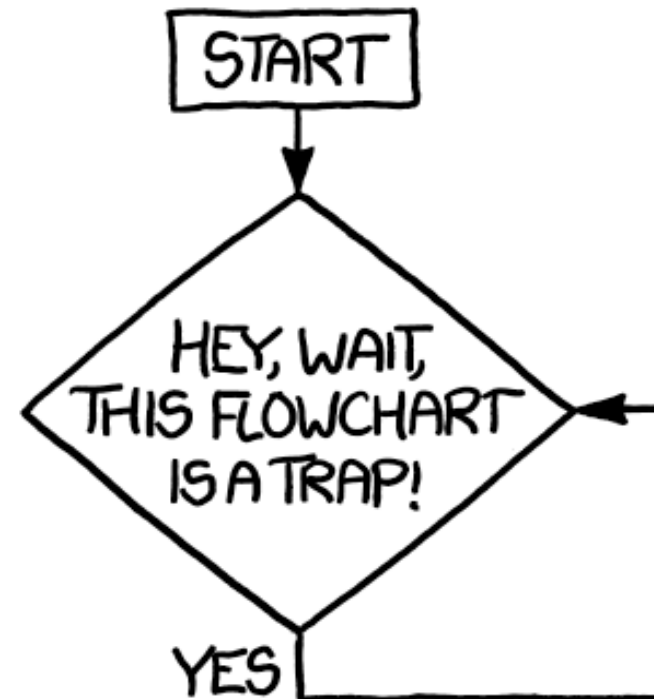
“The world is in the midst of a transformation that is having a profound effect on us as individuals, in business, and in society at large. As we adapt to capitalize on these trends, we must come to understand that trust will be the valued currency that will drive our economies.”

The Mainframe Language

APF	- Authorized Program Facility
ASID	- The Numeric Address Space Identifier
BCP	- The Base Control Program - Backbone of z/OS Reliability and Integrity
CPC	- The Central Processing Complex
CLI	- Compare Logical Intermediate - In snippet - test for change in State
DEB	- Data Extent Block build on OPEN of DCB (Data Control Block).
DUCT	- Dispatchable Unit Control Table - Control over the Authority State
EDT	- Eligible Device Table
ESM	- External Security Manager

Mainframe Words and Pictures

- Sometimes when mainframe words are used to describe an element, it is best to reduce your understanding of the commentary to a picture/flowchart.
- Sometimes when a picture/flowchart is presented as a mainframe process, it is best to reduce your understanding to mainframe words.
- It's always best to reconcile the two as one or the other might be a trap. Likely not both!



Rules to Live By

System Integrity and System Security are equally important.

Systems at Rest and those in Flight require different management controls.

When possible, employ separation of duties. Make responsibilities crystal clear.

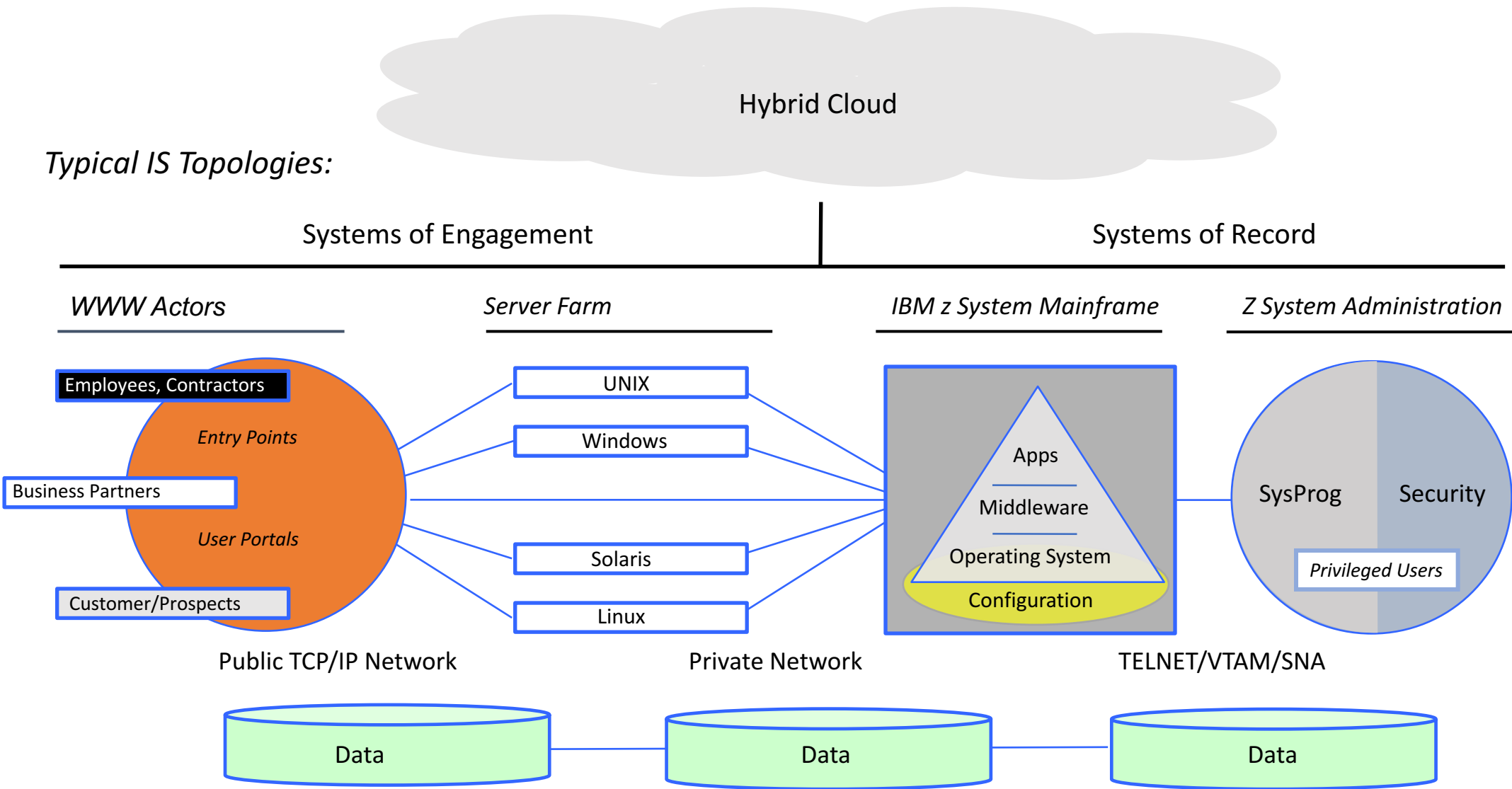
Always make a backup before you make a change.

Don't misplace your master keys.

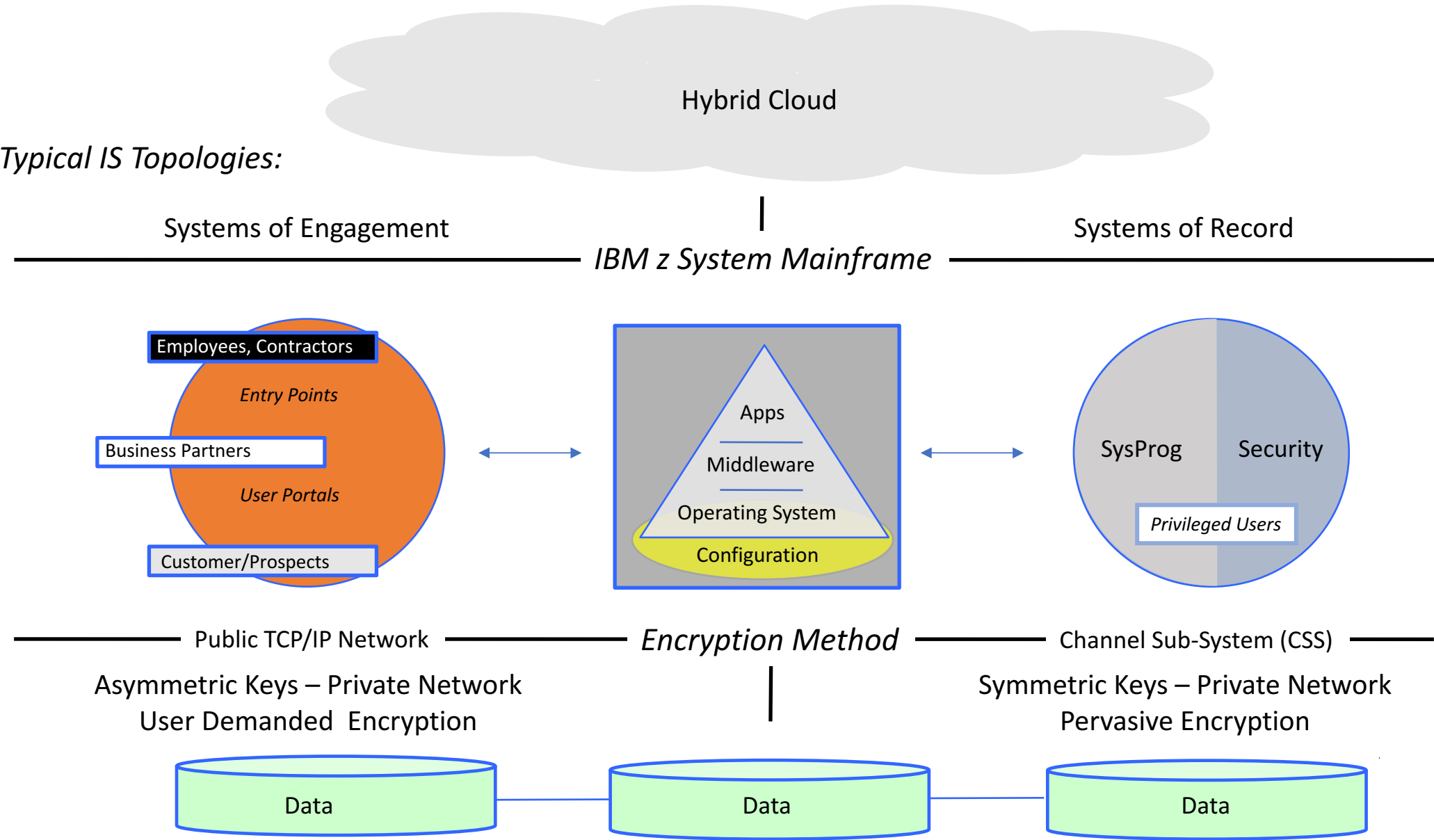
Compatibility above all

"It's the Pipe"!

3 - The Mainframe - Today.

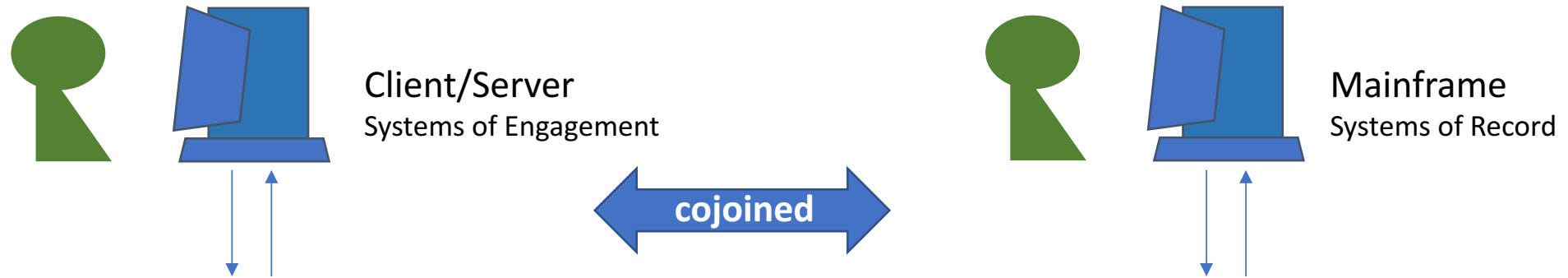


3 - The Mainframe - Tomorrow.



3 - The Mainframe Today.

Today, to the end-user it all appears to be the same. Really it's not! It's Real-Time Vs. Batch.



Real-Time Processing:

Transaction oriented, involving a continuous process of input and output of data. Hence, it processes in a short period of time. Examples of programs which use Real-Time processing, Bank ATMs, customer services, and Point of Sale (POS) Systems.

Every transaction is directly reflected in the master file as it occurs.

Batching Processing:

Focused on processing of a large volume of data all at once, i.e. in a batch. It is an extremely efficient way to handle data that is collected over a period of time. It reduces operational costs and JOBS can be scheduled at off-hours.

System Master files are likely outdated upon the completion of a "Batch-Run" as current transactions are not reflected after a data cutoff.

3 - The Mainframe Today.

zHyperLink Express

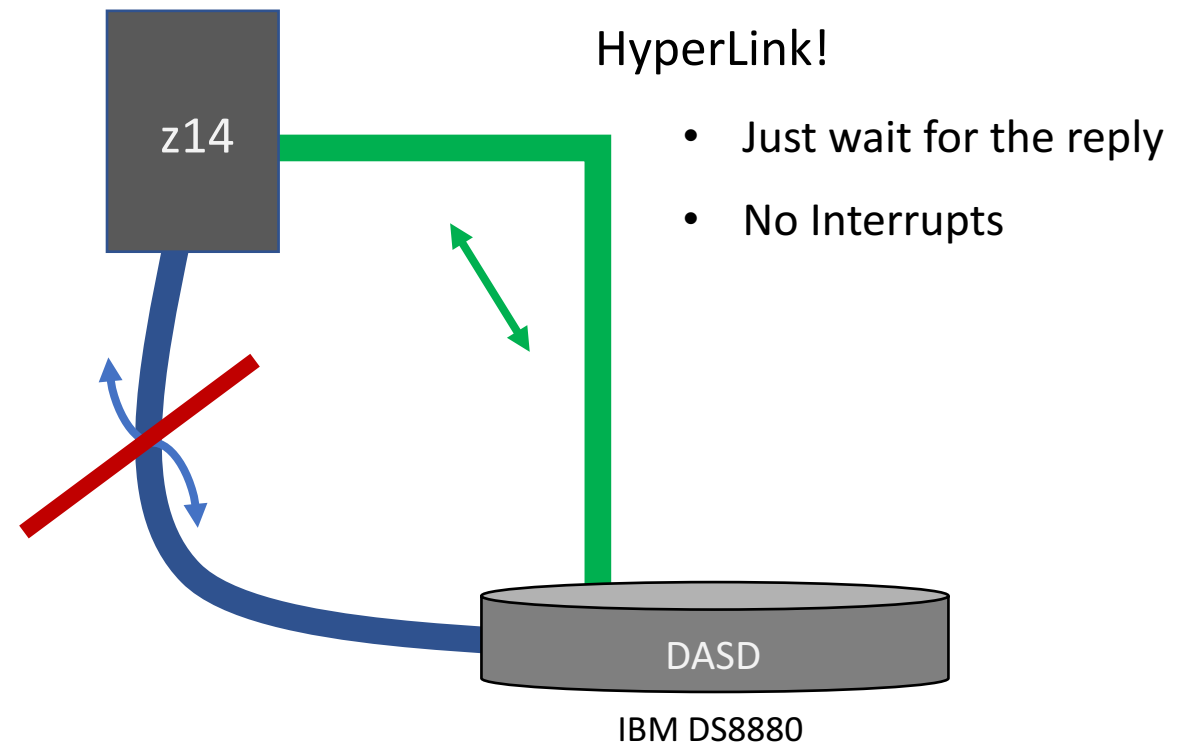
Reduces I/O latency between a z14 Mainframe and data storage (DASD) by interconnecting the z14 directly to DASD, specifically the IBM DS8880.

How?

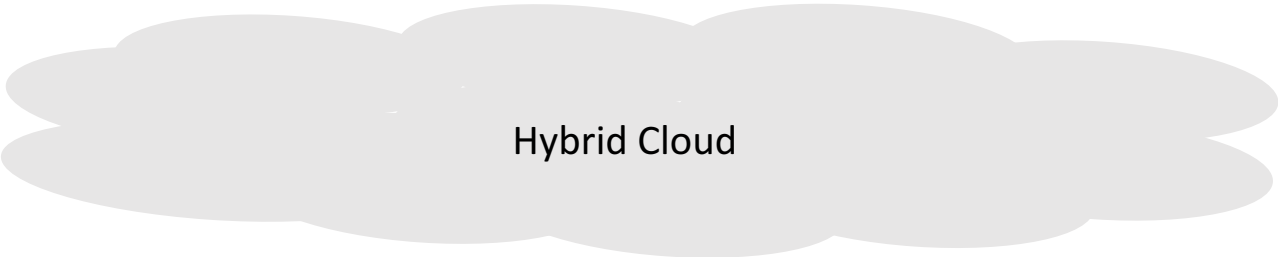
- No need to suspend the running task
- Eliminates the need to wait for a reply
- Super Small I/O Service Time

Pipe Interrupted!

- Task Suspended
- Waiting for reply



3 - The Mainframe Today.



Typical IS Topologies:

Systems of Engagement

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IBM z System Mainframe

Systems of Record



IBM LinuxONE/zR1/z14/z13
Hypervisor is KVM/zHPM

Vs.

IBM /zR1/z14/z13/z12
Hypervisor is PR/SM-MVS



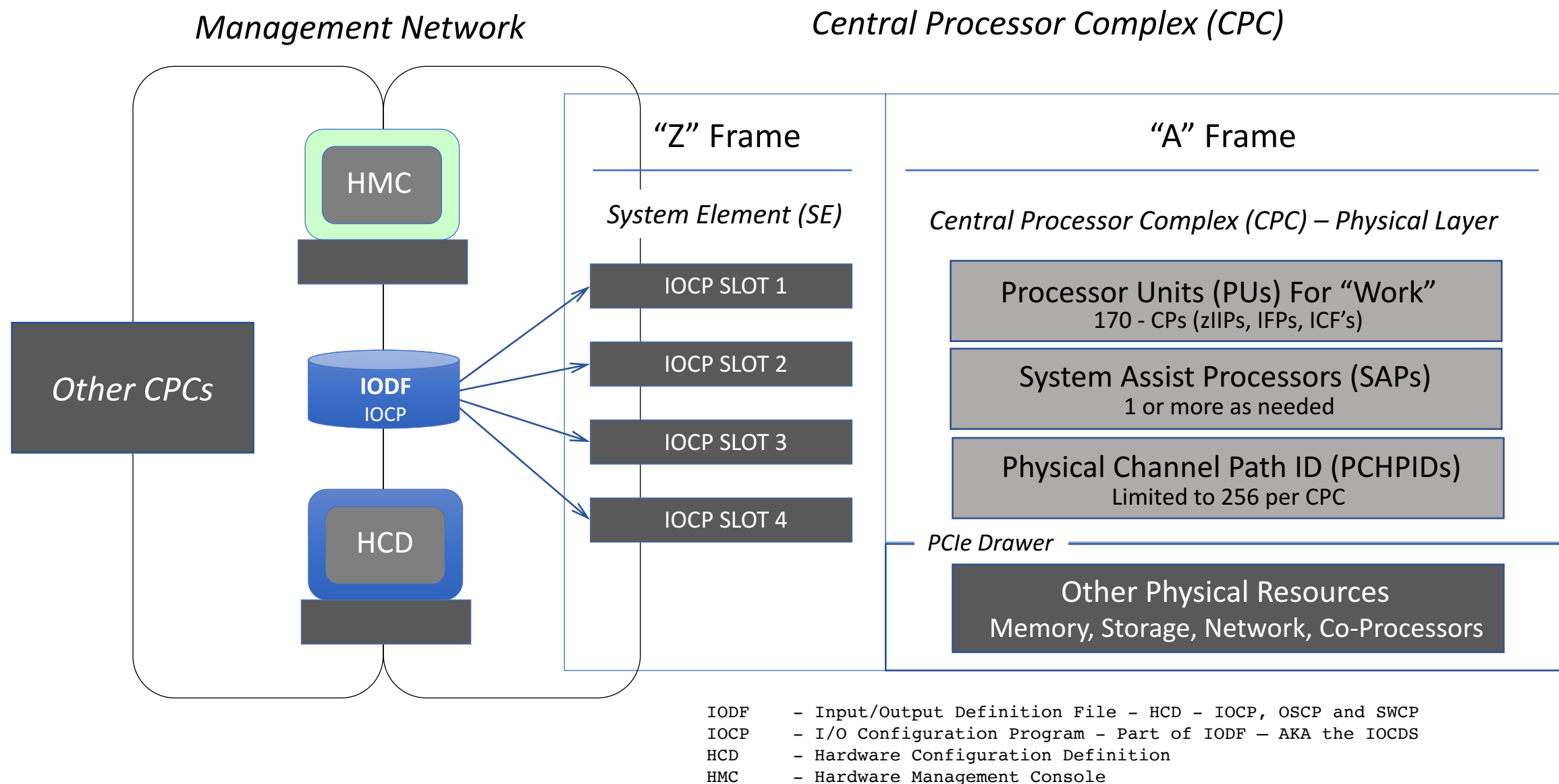
————— The ‘Big Deal’ here (DPM) is a change in the way we define the Virtualization of zResources —————

Dynamic Partion Management
Sets DPM Mode – Can’t run z/OS

Vs.

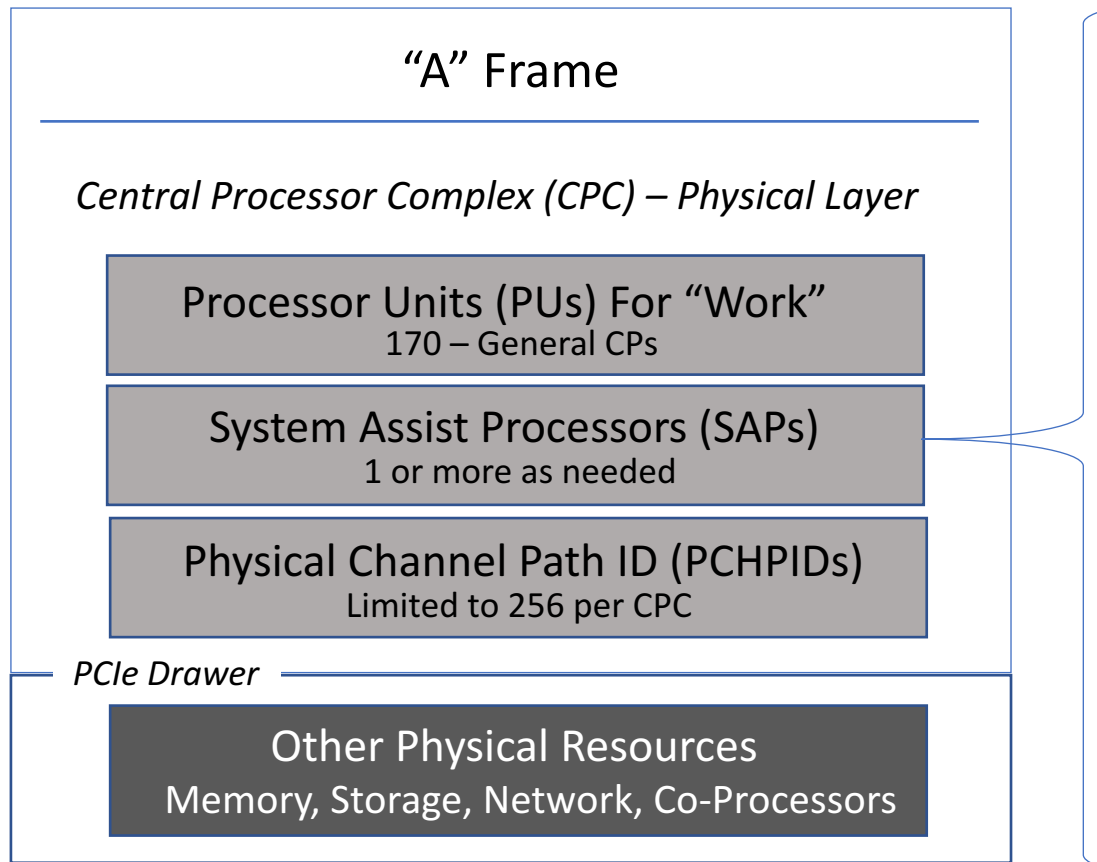
Processor Resource/System Manager
Sets PR/SM Mode – Can’t run KVM/zHPM

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Central Processor Complex (CPC)



Specialty z System Processing Units (PU)*

Designed to Help Reduce Operational Cost

SAP – System Assist Processor

Dedicated to supporting z System Input/Output and Channel Facility Operations.

zIIP – Integrated Information Processor

Dedicated to running specific DB2 processing loads, and for offloading other z/OS workloads.

zAAP – z Application Assist Processor

Dedicated to running specific Java and XML workloads under z/OS.

IFL – Integrated Facility for Linux

Dedicated to running specific Linux Workloads under z/OS.

* These processors do not contain microcode or hardware features that accelerate their workloads. Instead, by relieving the general CP of particular workloads, they often lead to a higher workload throughput at reduced license fees. - From Wikipedia

3 - The Mainframe Today.

Each IBM Mainframe (CPC) has a channel subsystem (CSS).

- The role of the CSS is to control communication of internal and external channels, control units and devices for the movement of data.
- The CSS is the very heart of moving data into and out of the CPC and doing so independently of the processors dedicated to the “Work” being performed by the CPC itself. This means that input/output (I/O) to/from the CPC is done asynchronously.
- When I/O operations are required, the CSS is passed the request from the main CPC processor. While awaiting completion of an I/O request, the CPC is able to continue processing other “Work”. This is a critical performance factor in a system designed to handle massive numbers of concurrent transactions – Millions-Plus/Second.
- The processors that run the CSS system are called the system assist processors (SAP). There generally are more than one SAPs running the channel subsystem, depending on specific workload requirements.

Central Processing Complex (CPC), Layer 1 - Physical

Processor Units (PUs) For “Work”
170 - CPs (zIIPs, zAAPs, IFL's)

System Assist Processors (SAPs)
1 or more as needed

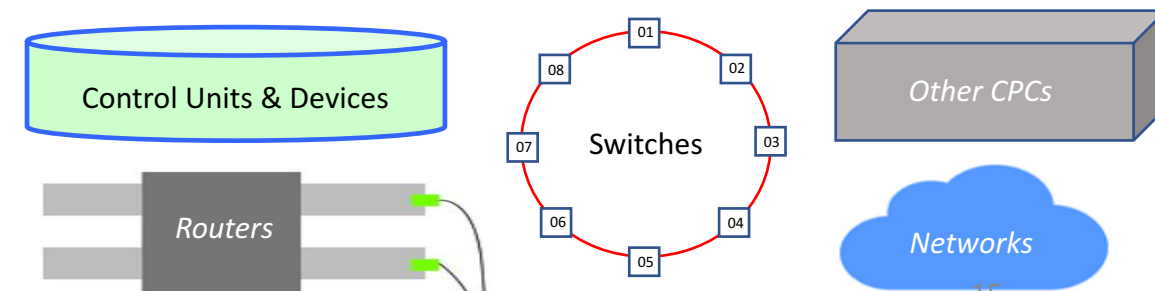
Physical Channel Path ID (PCHPIDs)
Limited to 256 per CPC

Central Processing Complex (CPC) – Layer 2 - Virtual

Logical Partitions (LPARs)
Up to 85 for ‘Work’, 5 Reserved

Logical Sub channels (LCSSs)
Up to 6, each housing up to 15 LPARS

Channel Path Identifiers (CHPIDs)
Up to 256 assigned to each named LPAR

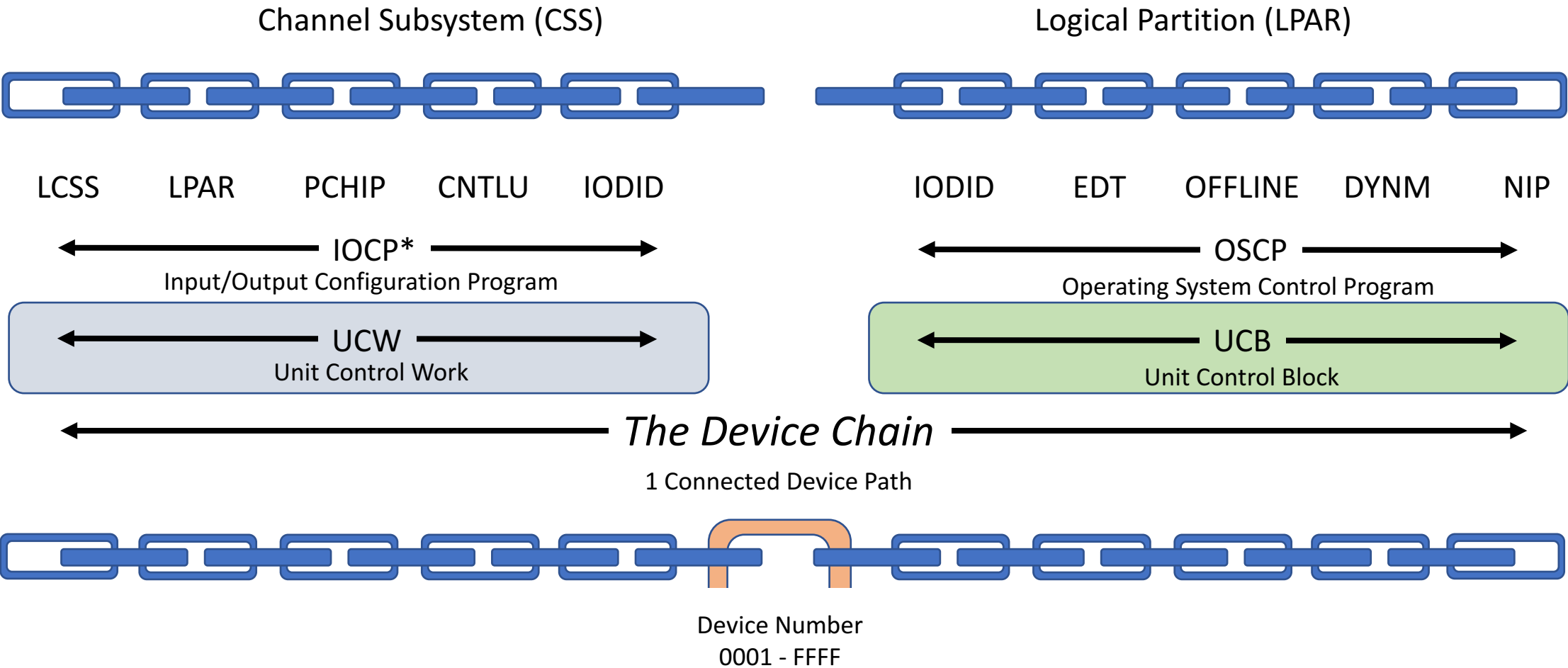




*"It's the Pipe"!*₁₆

4 – Virtualization - The Device Chain: CSS Segments

Understanding How Data Flows – I/O Addressability



*Sometimes referred to as the IOCDs - Input/Output Configuration Dataset

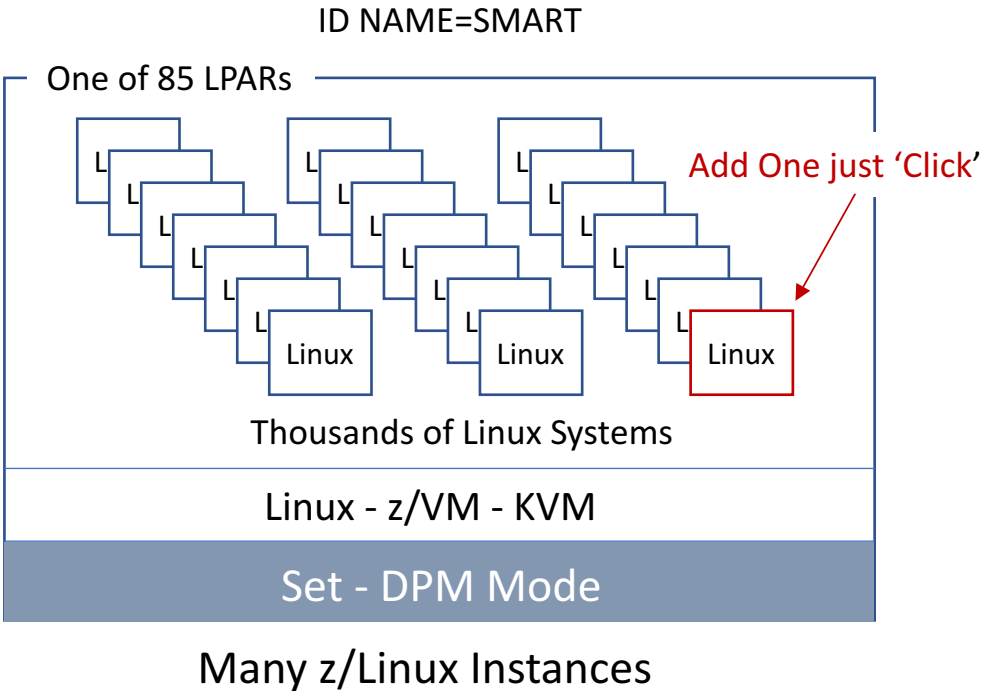
4 - Virtualization - One size fits all



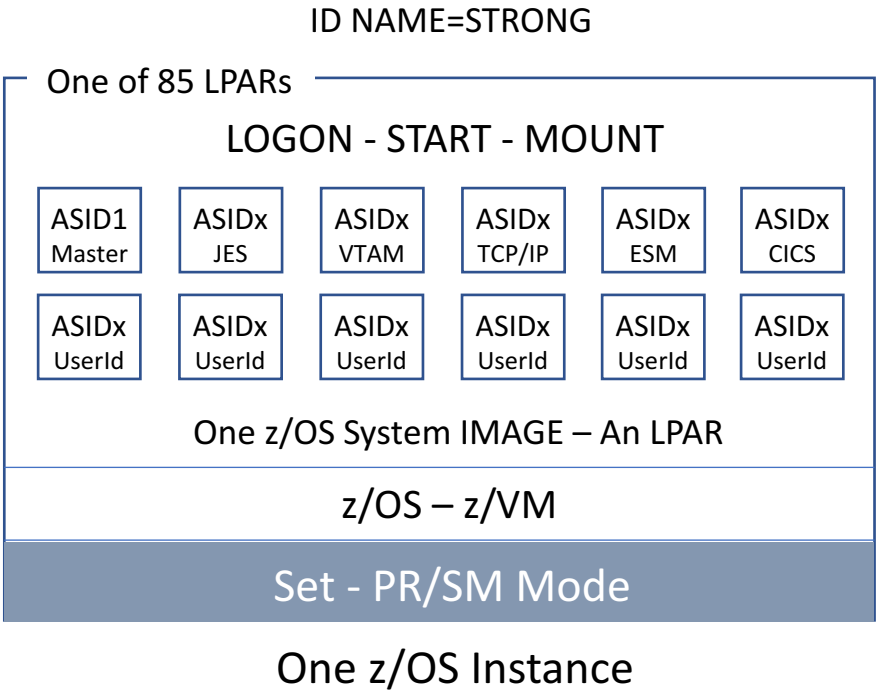
At Power on Reset (POR)

Systems of Engagement

Systems of Record



Vs.



Hypervisor - A process that separates a computer's operating system and applications from the underlying physical hardware. Usually done as software although embedded hypervisors can be created for things like mobile devices.

4 - Virtualization - z/OS Logical Partitions

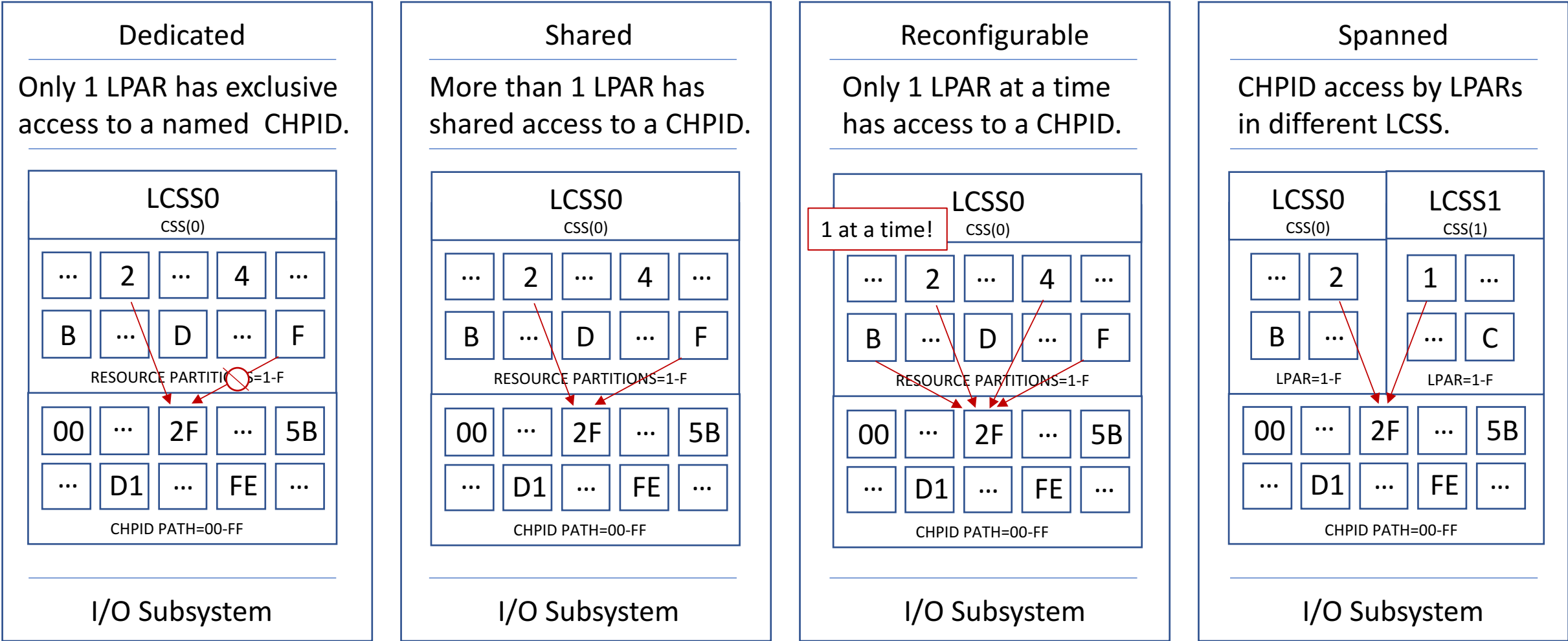
z 14 Maxed Out

LCSS0 CSS(0)	LCSS1 CSS(1)	LCSS2 CSS(2)	LCSS3 CSS(3)	LCSS4 CSS(4)	LCSS5 CSS(5)
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<p align="center">Logical Channel Path Identifiers</p> <p align="center">CHPID = 255 x LCSS = 6</p>					

1530 Virtual Interface Paths/Points shared by up to 85 LPARs

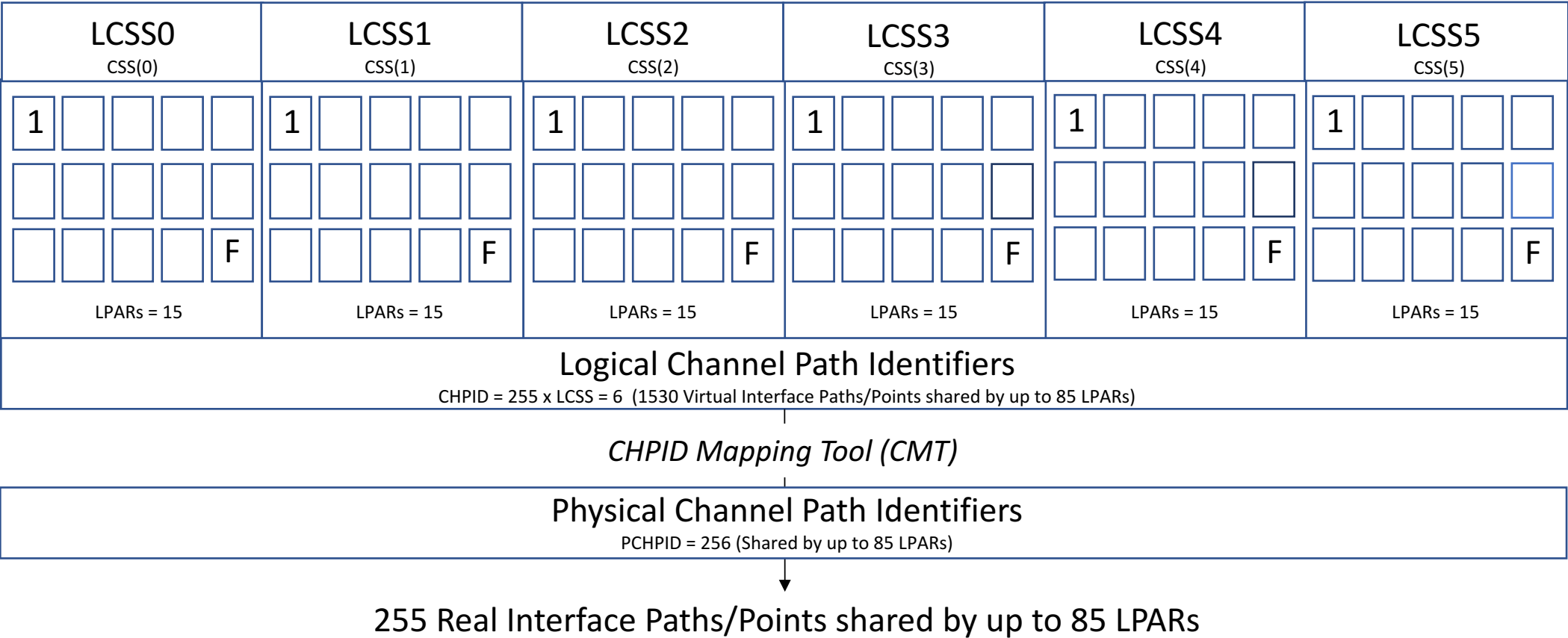
4 - Virtualization - Channel Paths

Types of Channel Paths



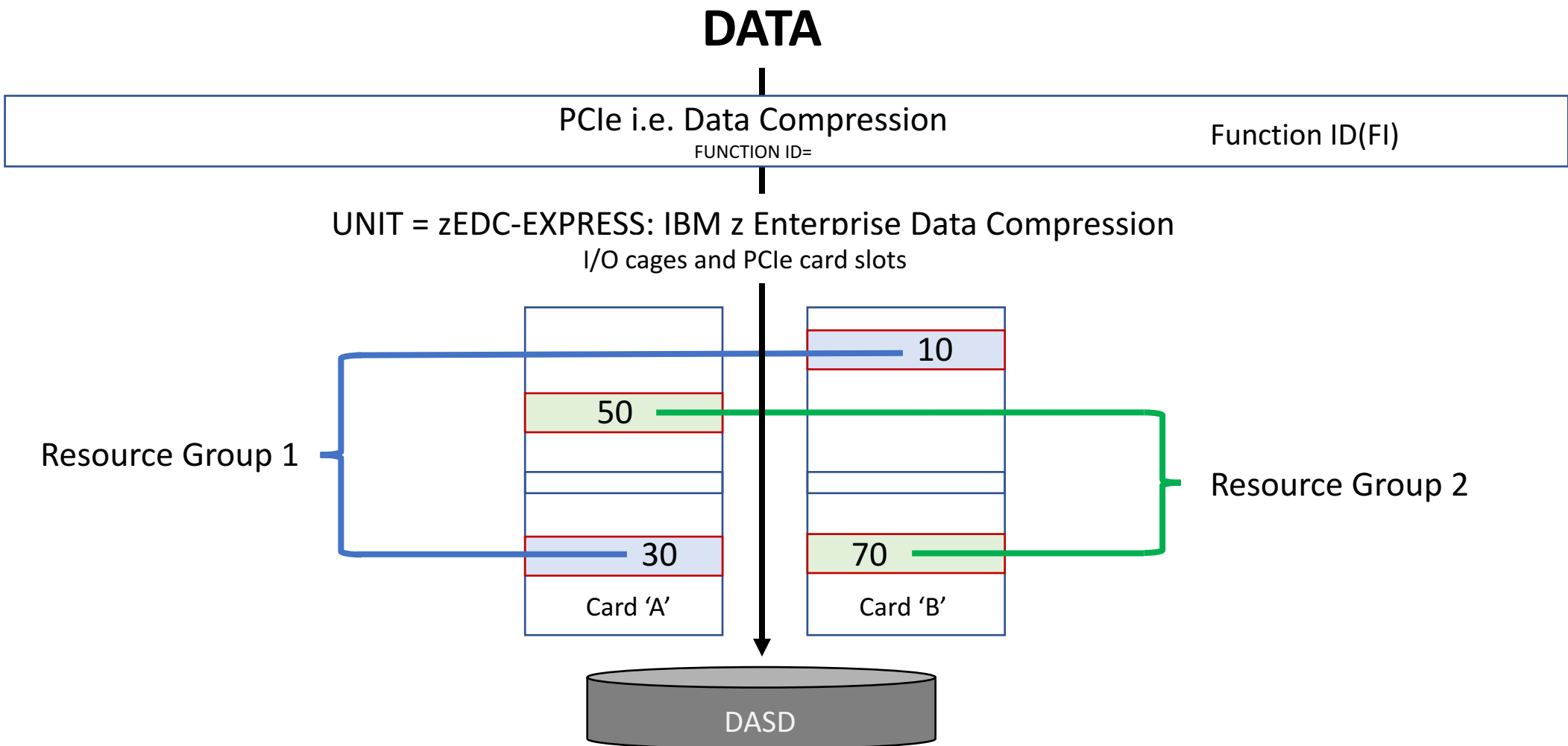
5 - Physicalization - Mapping to the Physical World

Mapping to Reality!



5 - Physicalization - Physical Redundancy

Redundancy will be your friend!



5 - Physicalization - Data Encryption

———— Pervasive DS Encryption - Don't Misplace Your Master Key! ————

ICSF/TKE – Make the Key
ICSF & HSM En/Decrypt DS

ESM – Authorize Access
Dataset, Key Label Binding

Compressed DATA

Master Key – Tamper Proof

Crypto Engines - Crypto Express5/6S
Symmetric Pervasive Dataset Encryption

Master Key – Key Label

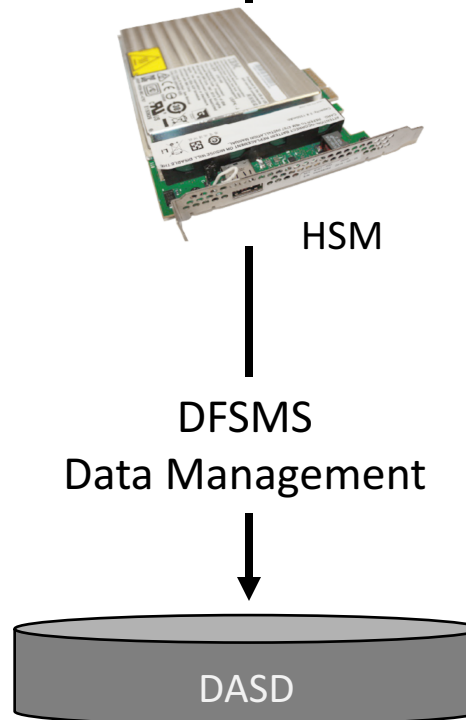
How to Make a Master Key:

- It takes 2 - 4 cooks to make a Master Key
- Each picks a secret Random String
- The Strings are called Key Parts
- Each enters their secret Key Part
- Each cook saves his/her Key Part
- XOR the pot and you have a Master Key
- Move the Master Key to the HSM
- Label the Key; you're good to go!

TKE – Trusted Key Entry Workstation
ICSF – Integrated Cryptographic Services Facility

We have Separation of Duties:

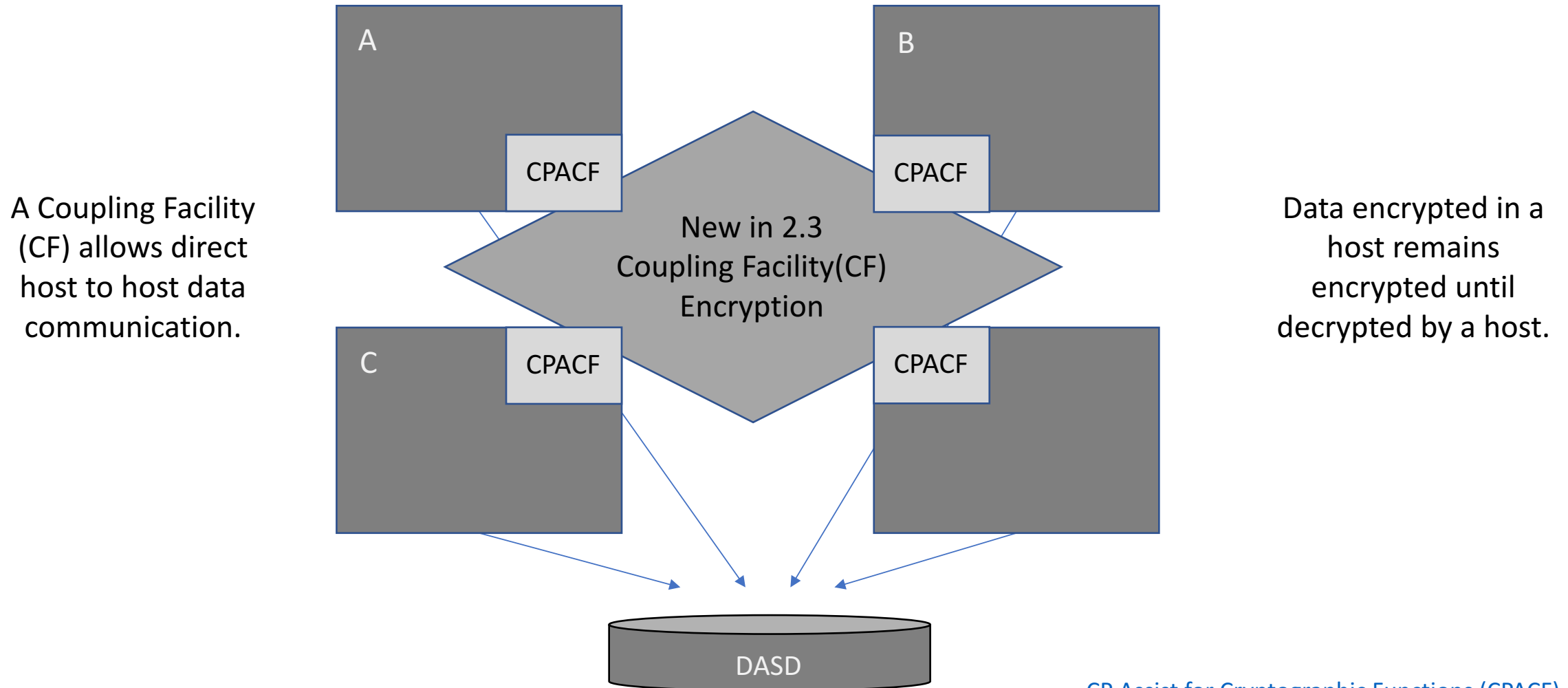
- DS Administration can: Backup, Archive and Restore without worry of reading it.
- Key Label & DS are bound by ESM. DS Users, with authority, can read/write the Dataset at will. ICSF works with the HSM to encrypt/decrypt as needed.
- PDE does not apply to System, PDS, PDSE and certain other Datasets used at IPL.



HSM – Hardware Security Module
PDE – Pervasive Dataset Encryption 23

5 - Physicalization - Data Encryption

————— *Pervasive DS Encryption - Don't Misplace Your Master Key!* —————

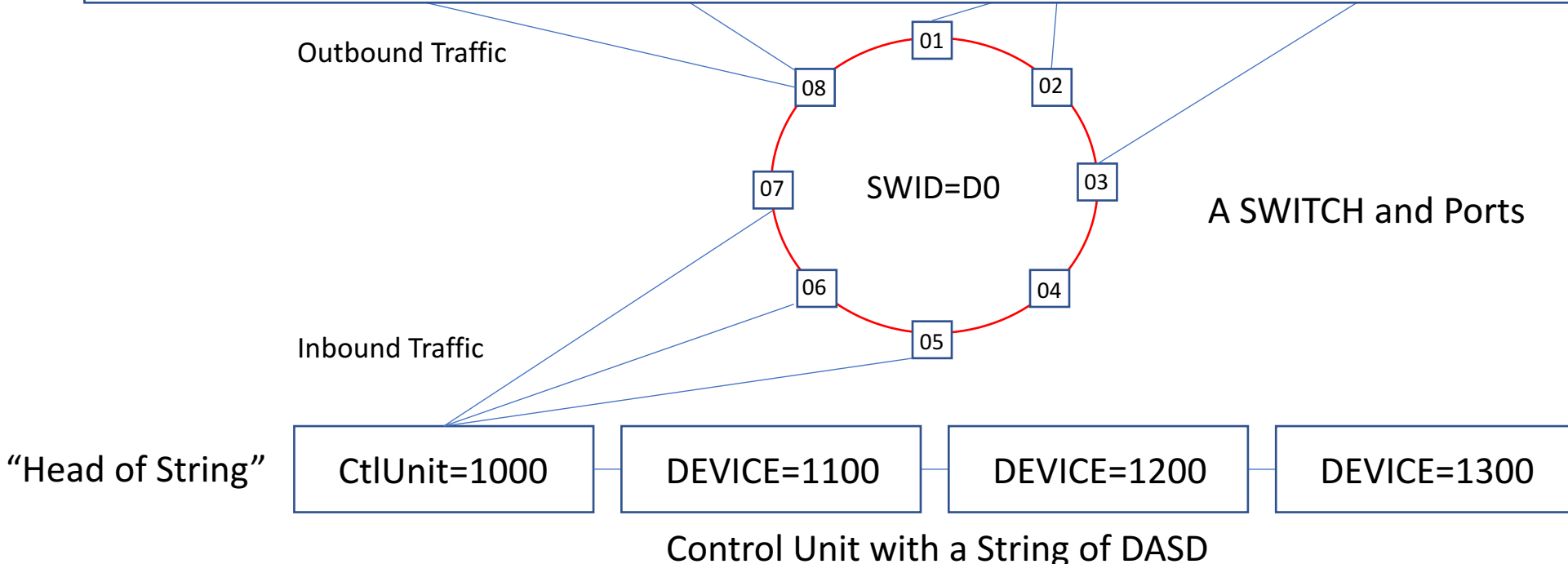


[CP Assist for Cryptographic Functions \(CPACF\)](#)

5 - Physicalization - Path Multiplication

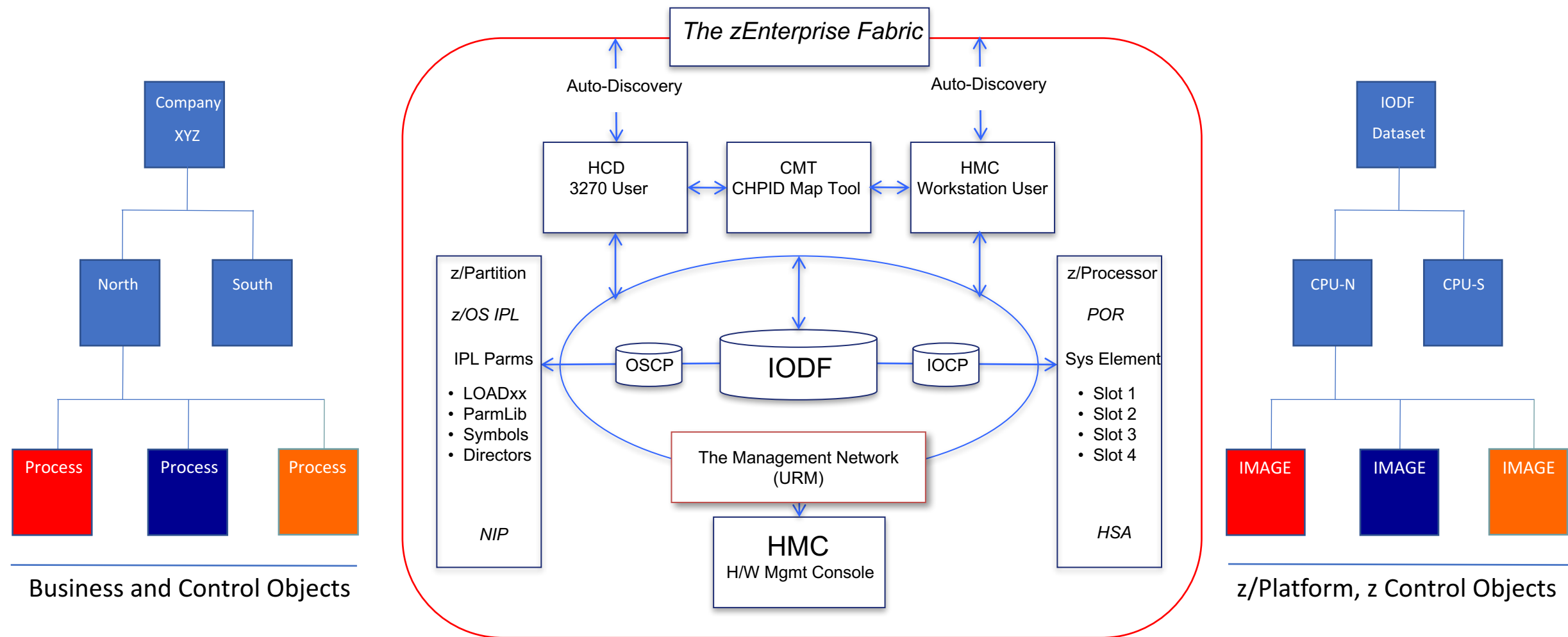
Contention will not be your friend!

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LPARs = 15	LPARs = 15	LPARs = 15	LPARs = 15	LPARs = 15	LPARs = 15
CHPID = 255	CHPID = 255	CHPID = 255	CHPID = 255	CHPIP = 255	CHPID = 255
PCHPID = 255					



7 - Goals and Control Points - An Organization Mirror

Service Level Agreement (SLA)



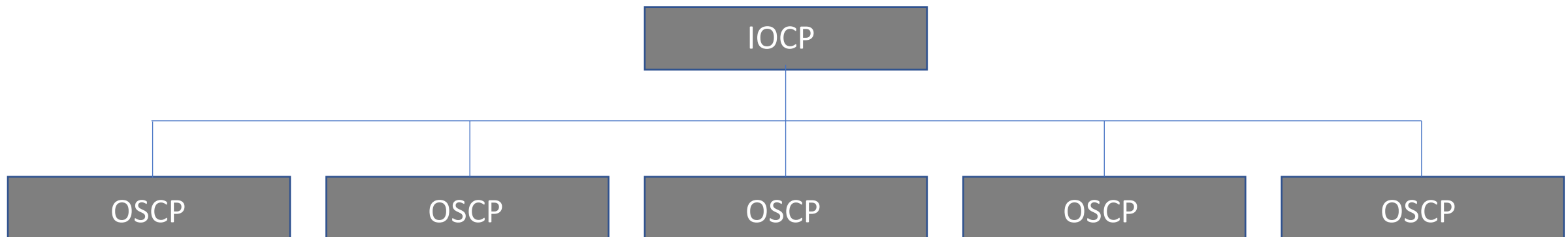
6 - Crafting a Partition - Defining OS Elements

————— *It begins by giving the Partition an ID and a Name!* —————

Each Partition must have its own I/O Configuration.

There may be more than one CEC defined in a single IODF. A single CEC can support up to 85 Partitions. Because of this “Multiplier Effect”, there will be many OSCP configurations defined, in parallel, with a named CEC in the same IODF.

This operational fact makes the identification and naming of each Partition a critical first step in defining the Partitions’ OS Elements.



7 - Goals and Control Points – Assured Separation

Access Vs. Candidate List!

Channel Paths

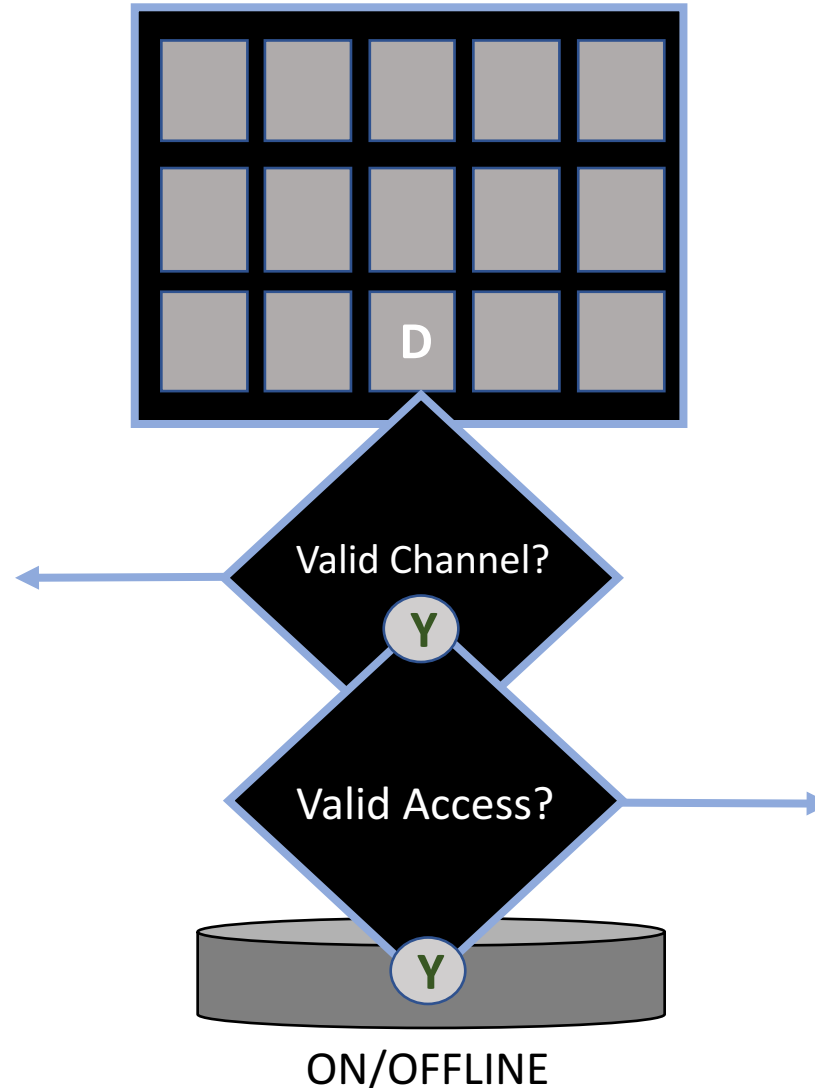
PART, or NOTPART – Not Optional

PART specifies the access list of LPARs that will have a named pair CHPID/PCHID configured online after a Power-on-Reset (POR), and

The related candidate list identifies the LPARs which can actually access the resulting channel path.

NOTPART specifies the negative access list of LPARs that will not have a named pair CSS/CHPID configured online after a Power-on-Reset POR.

The related candidate list of LPARs that cannot access the channel path or device(s) along it.



I/O Devices

PART or NOTPART - Optional

PART specifies a candidate list of LPARs that can access the device.

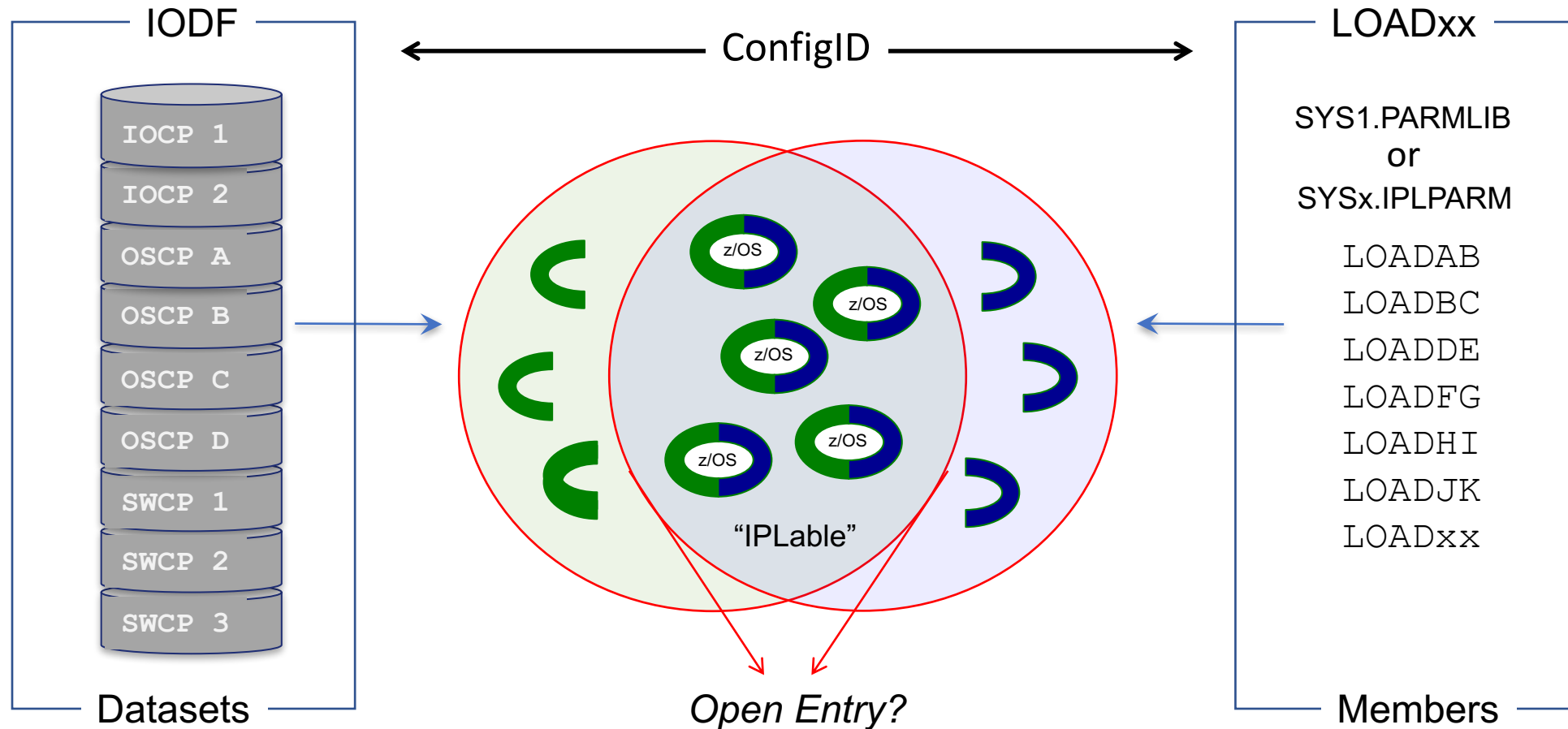
NOTPART specifies a negative candidate list of LPARs that cannot access the device. If not specified, all LPARs may access a named Device.

If PART or NOTPART is in the Device Statement, the CSS sub-keyword is required.

If a device has access to more than one CSS, the CSS sub-keyword indicates to which channel (CSS) subsystem the partition belongs.

7 - Goals and Control Points – Cleanup is Required

It's a *Best Practice* to identify and purge mismatched ConfigIDs.

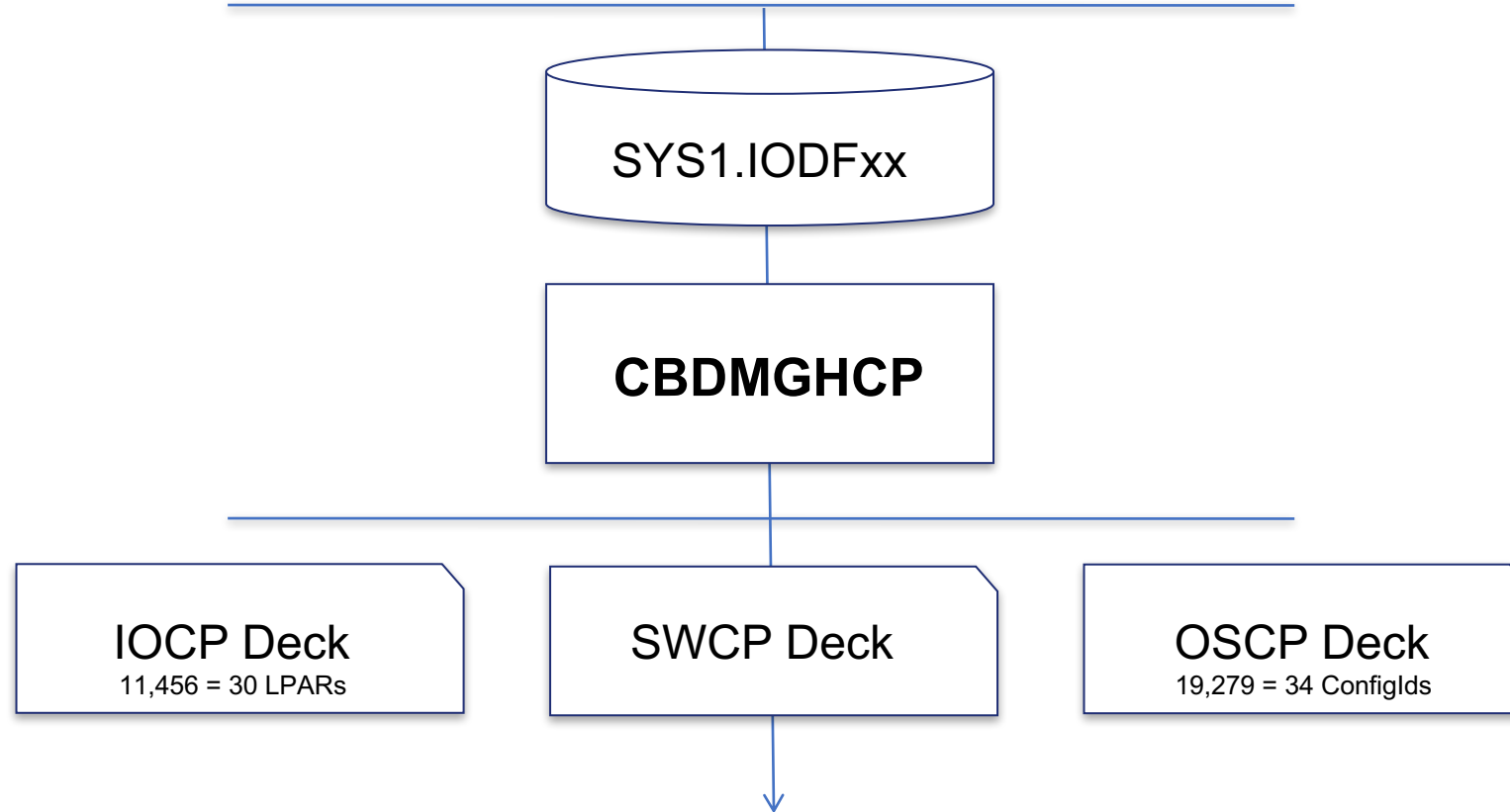


7 - Goals and Control Point - The Unknown can be Known

Publication SC34-2669-03 – Hardware Configuration Definition User's Guide

Chapter 13. How to invoke HCD batch utility functions

You Can See it!



Chapter 12. How to migrate existing input data sets

The CEC Details

```
TITLE 'SYS1.IODFA1 - 2017-08-27 20:38:47 '
```

```
*
```

```
  ID NAME=CPA,UNIT=2827,MODEL=H66,DESC='IBM zEC12 in NL',          *
```

```
    SERIAL=05A5372827,MODE=LPAR,LEVEL=H130331,LSYSTEM=CPA,      *
```

```
    SNAADDR=( IBM390PS,CPA),                                     *
```

```
    SCR='CPA          .ü..ð.ã..ßü...ð.....17-08-2720:38:47SYS*
```

```
1      IODFA1      '
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8 - Unpacking the Configuration - Defining/Naming the LPARS

Logical Partition Details

```
RESOURCE PARTITION=( (CSS(0), (CPAUS10A,A), (CPAUS102,2), (CPAUS10*  
6,6), (CPA0B,B), (CPA0C,C), (CPA0D,D), (CPA0F,F), (CPA01,1), (*  
CPA03,3), (CPA04,4), (CPA05,5), (CPA07,7), (CPA08,8), (CPA09,*  
9), (*,E))), MAXDEV=( (CSS(0), 65280, 65535, 65535)),  
DESCL=( 'CPAUS10A(PNB2DR)', 'CPAUS102 (PNB1DR)', 'CPAUS106 *  
(PNBZ)', 'CPA0B (SYSKDR)', 'CPA0C (SYSCDR)', 'CPA0D (SYSG)' *  
, 'HBUSCFDR (HBUS ICF)', 'CPA01 (HFN1DR)', 'CPA03 (HISV)', '*  
CPA04 (HIS7)', 'CPA05 (SYSL)', 'CPA07 (HTSW)', 'CPA08 (SYSS*  
)', 'CPA09 (SYST-NL)'),  
USAGE=(OS,OS,OS,OS,OS,OS,CF,OS,OS,OS,OS,OS,OS,OS,CF/OS)
```



8 - Unpacking the Configuration - Setting up Channel Pathways

Logical and Physical Channels Paths

```
CHPID PATH=(CSS(0,1),00), *
PARTITION=((CSS(1),(0),(CPA11))), *
NOTPART=((CSS(0),(CPA01,CPAUS102,CPA03,CPA04,CPAUS106,CPA07,CPA08,CPA09,CPA0C,CPA0D),(CPA0F))),PCHID=588, *
TYPE=OSD,SWPORT(80,00)

CHPID PATH=(CSS(0,1),01),SHARED, *
PARTITION=((CSS(1),(CPA11),(=))), *
NOTPART=((CSS(0),(CPA01,CPAUS102,CPA03,CPA04,CPA05,CPAUS106,CPA07,CPA08,CPA0B,CPA0D),(CPA0F))),PCHID=58C, *
TYPE=OSD

CHPID PATH=(CSS(0,1),02),REC, *
PARTITION=((CSS(0),(CPAUS106,CPAUS10A),(CPA01,CPAUS102,CPA03,CPA04,CPA05,CPA08,CPA09,CPA0B,CPA0C,CPA0D)),(CSS(1), *
,(0),(CPA11))),PCHID=5B4,TYPE=OSD
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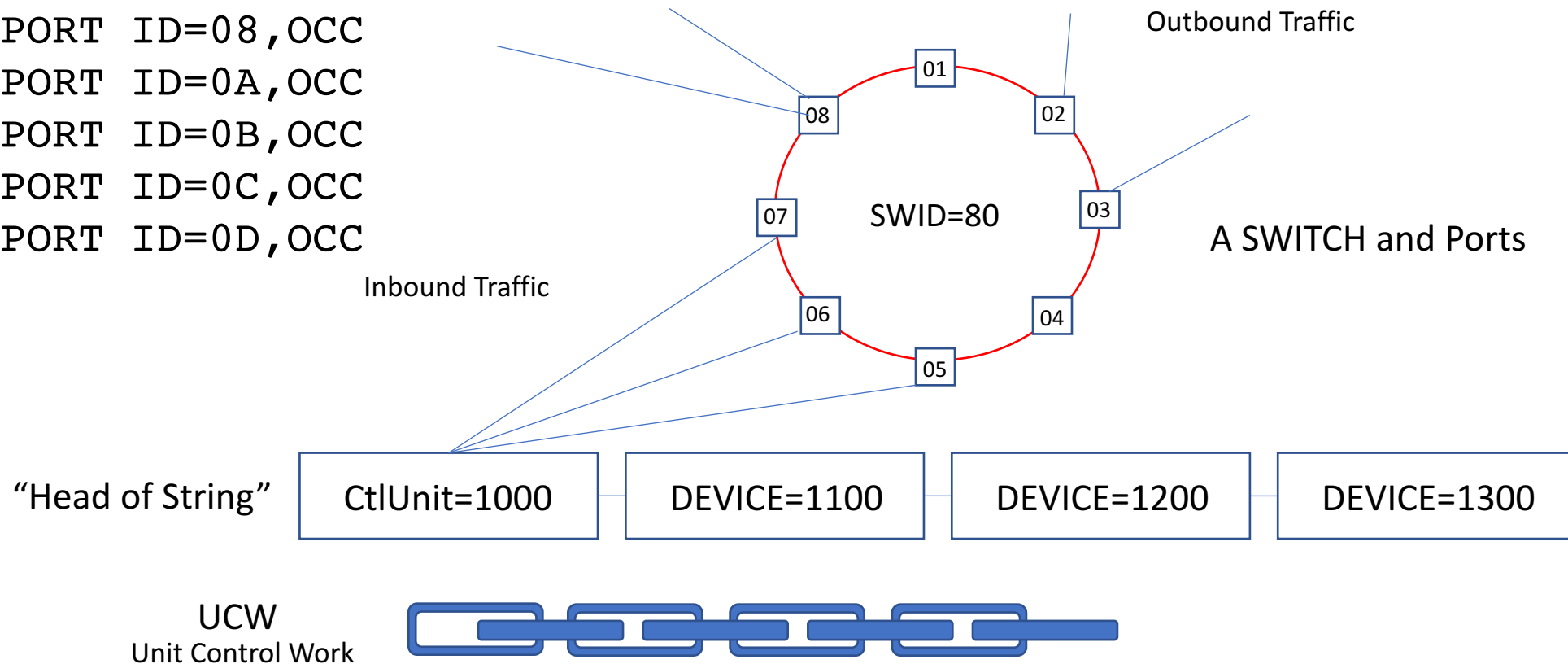


8 - Unpacking the Configuration – Eliminating Device Contention

The Switch

```
SWITCH SWID=80,ADDRESS=80,DESC='Great Switch of North',  
        PORT=((00,FF)),UNIT=2032,SWPORT=((08,02,01),(07,06,05))
```

```
PORT ID=07,OCC  
PORT ID=08,OCC  
PORT ID=0A,OCC  
PORT ID=0B,OCC  
PORT ID=0C,OCC  
PORT ID=0D,OCC
```



Control Units and I/O Devices

```
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBR=0460, *
        PATH=( (CSS(0),A6,A9,C2,C8), (CSS(1),A6,A9,C2,C8) ), *
        UNITADD=( (00,16) ), *
        LINK=( (CSS(0),800F,820F,802F,810F), (CSS(1),800F,820F,802F,810F) ), SHARED=N, CUADD=0, *
        DESC='VH LIBID=C6666, LIBPORT=41, CUA=0 ', UNIT=3490, *
        SWPORT=( (80,07), (80,06), (81,0F), (82,0F) )
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(0460,16), UNITADD=00, CUNUMBR=(0460), STADET=Y, *
        UNIT=3490
```

IODevice Mathematics: Read ADDRESS=(0460,16) as saying:

- Add 16 Devices of this type beginning with unit address 0460, attached to Named Control Unit

UCW
Unit Control Work



8 - Unpacking the Configuration – Naming the OS Configuration

Partition ConfigID and Name!

```
IOCONFIG ID=00,NAME=AMHDEV,TYPE=MVS,DESC='BUF DEV'  
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(0070,15),UNIT=OSA,OFFLINE=NO,DYNAMIC=YES,      *  
          LOCANY=YES,CUNUMBR=0070,SCHSET=(CSS(0),1)  
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(007F,1),UNIT=OSAD,OFFLINE=NO,DYNAMIC=YES,      *  
          LOCANY=YES,CUNUMBR=0070,SCHSET=(CSS(0),2)
```

I/O device definitions require Unit information modules (UIMs). A UIM contains the information and rules that HCD uses to process device definitions. When an IODF is created, HCD uses the UIMs to validate the device definitions entered and uses them during an IPL to build device related UCBs.

UIMs are provided with IBM® product software for devices that z/OS® supports. A generic UIM or a UIM from a similar IBM device is used for non-IBM® products.

SCHSET indicates the subchannel set (1,2,3,*) for normal base devices that have a special secondary device with the same address. The indicator provides direction at IPL such that the correct device(s) is online.

UCB
Unit Control Block



Eligible Device Table (EDT)!

```
EDT ID=A1,DESC='BUF DEV EDT'
```

```
UNITNAME NAME=EAUTO,
```

```
UNIT=((2100,16),(2110,16),(2120,16),(2130,16),(2140,16),*  
(2150,16),(2160,16),(2170,16),(2180,16),(2190,16),(21A0,*  
16),(21B0,16),(21C0,16),(21D0,16),(21E0,16),(21F0,16),(2*  
200,16),(2210,16),(2220,16),(2230,16),(2240,16),(2250,16*  
) ,(2260,16),(2270,16))
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The eligible device table (EDT) is an installation-defined and named representation of the I/O devices defined to the device chain that are eligible for allocation. At IPL, information in the IODF and UIMs is used to build the EDT.

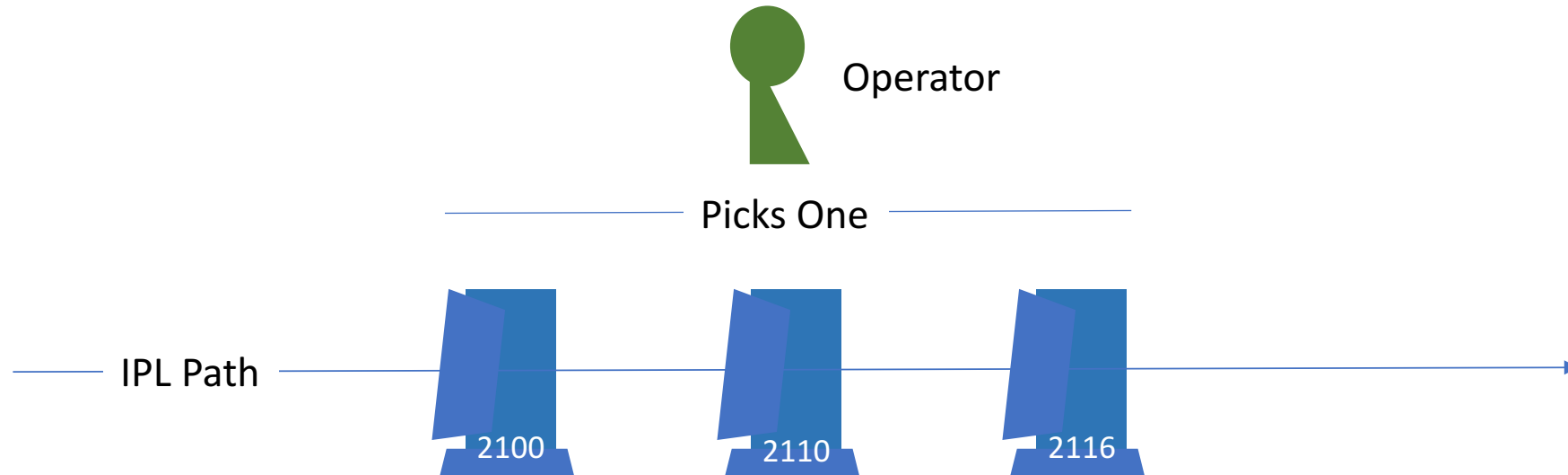
- Generic Device: A generic device is an MVS-defined grouping of devices with similar characteristics, which determines how devices are used in an esoteric device group.
- Esoteric Device: A single virtual device which can be allocated without using a specific device number. Devices within an esoteric may or may not be from the same device group.

UCB
Unit Control Block



Nucleus Initialization Console (NIPCON)!

NIPCON DEVNUM(2100,2110,2116)



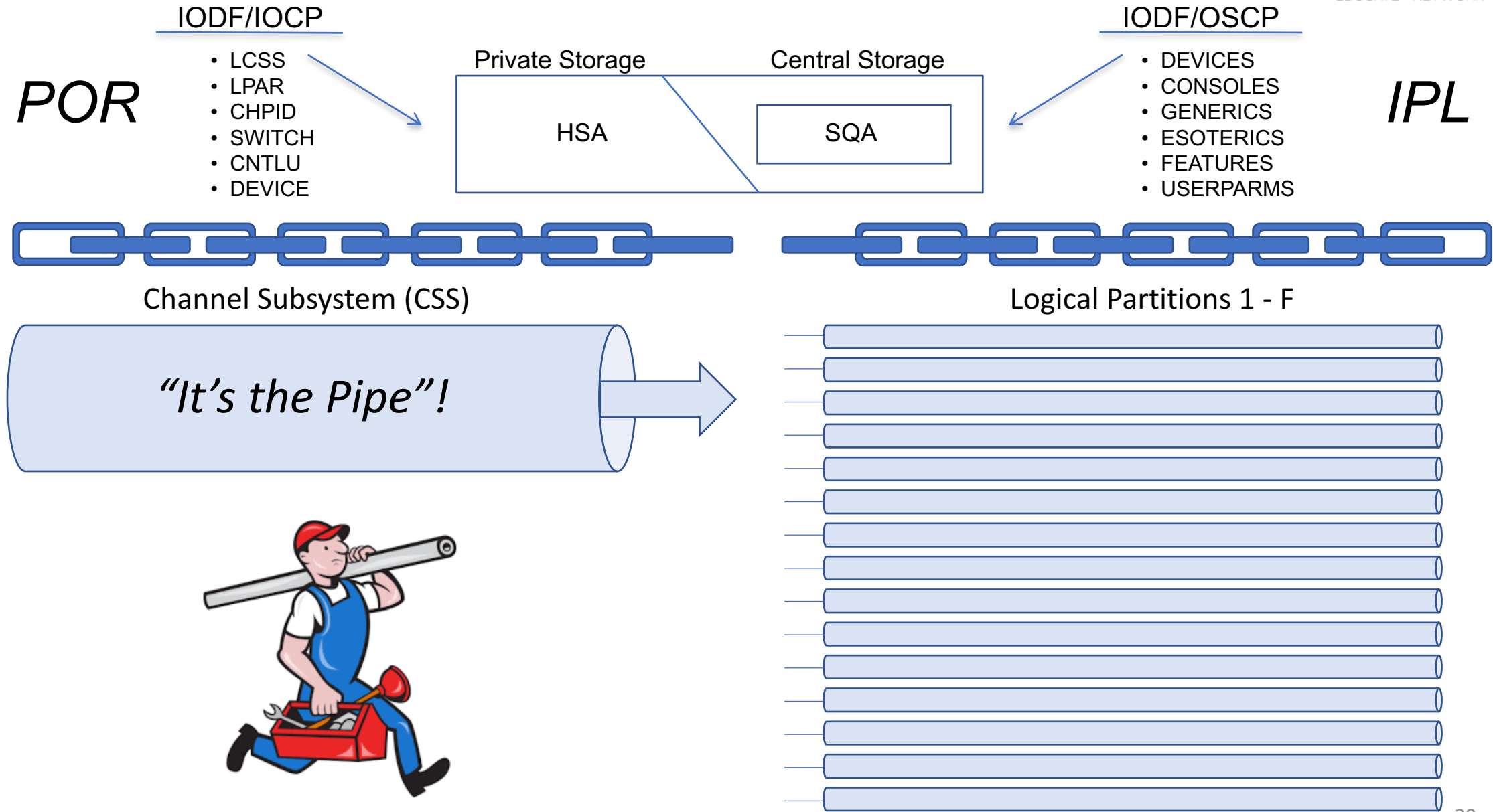
Specifies a list of device(s) to be used by MVS Operators as NIP consoles during the IPL.

- NIPCON and related devices are mandatory.
- All devices specified by NIPCON must be defined in the OSCP configuration.

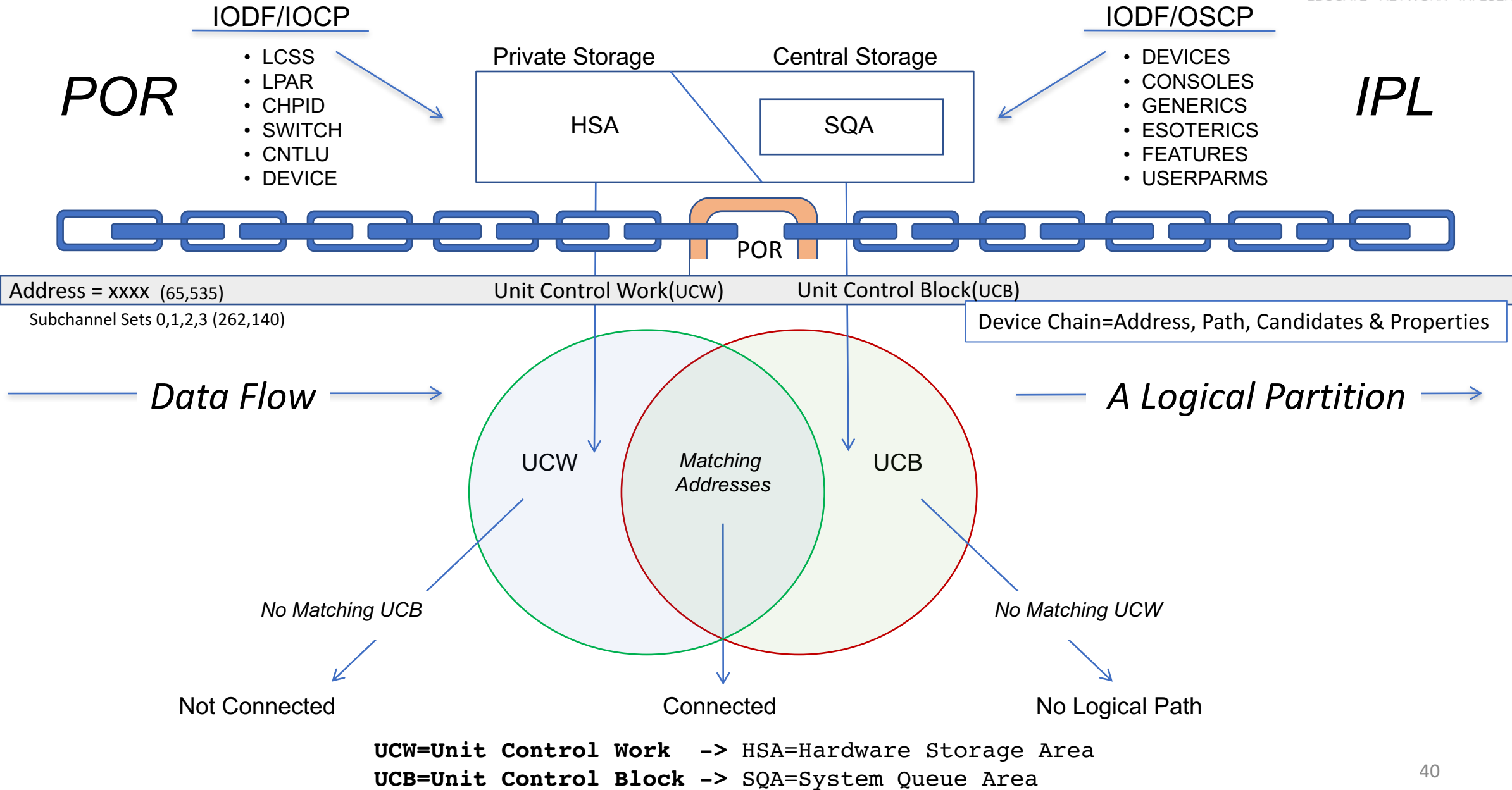
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9 - Power-on-Reset and/or IPL – Almost done!



9 - Power-on-Reset and/or IPL – Linking UCWs to UCBs



The Lessons Continue

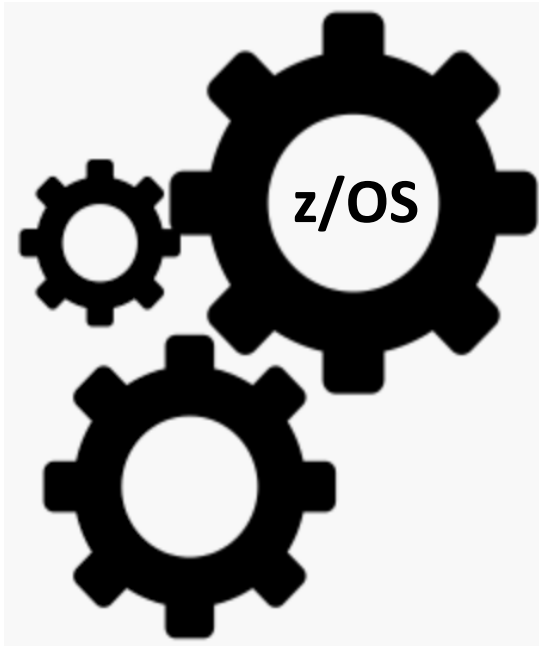
What's Next?

- System Integrity
Problem Vs. Supervisor State
- IPL Parameters
IPLPARM - LOADxx
- z/OS Configuration
PARMLIB – Parameters & Directors
- Start Parameters
Auto Start Sub-Systems & Task
- Job Entry Parameters
Yours, to Submit
- Data Security
SAF, SMF, ESM
- System Modules
SVC, LNK, LPA, EXIT
- Sub-System Modules
JES, VTAM, TCP/IP, HCKR
- Vendor Modules
IBM, CA, BMC, CompuWare
- Site Modules
Yours, Locally Written

New 102 Words

APF	- Authorized Program Facility	PPT	- Program Properties Table
ASID	- The Numeric Address Space Identifier	PSW	- Program Status Word
BCP	- The Base Control Program	SAF	- System Access Facility
DUCT	- Dispatchable Unit Control Table	SPKA	- Set Storage Protect Key
IMSI	- Message Suppression Indicator	SVC	- Supervisor Call
IRIM	- IPL Resource Initialization Modules	TCB	- Task Control Block

Thank You – Evaluations Please



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