

# Let's Build a z Environment - 102

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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.

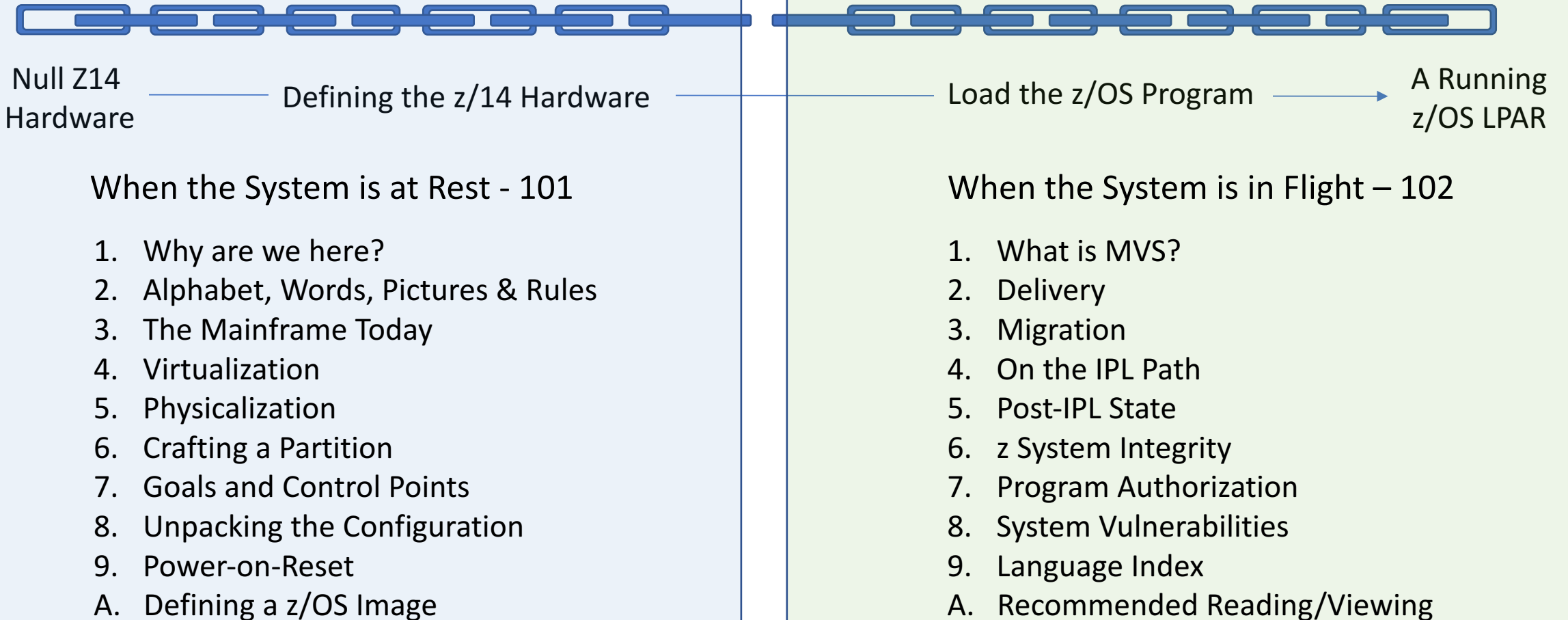
In – 102 – the focus will shift to a discussion of Multiple Virtual Storage (MVS), what is z/OS, how to get it, install it, support it and upgrade/migrate from release to release. The elements of the IPL Path – IPLPARM, IRIMS, IODF, SYSRES – to name just a few will be examined in detail as will the Post-IPL 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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The corporate mission of NewEra Software is to provide software solutions that help users avoid z/OS non-compliance, make corrections when needed and in doing so, continuously improve z/OS integrity and Security.

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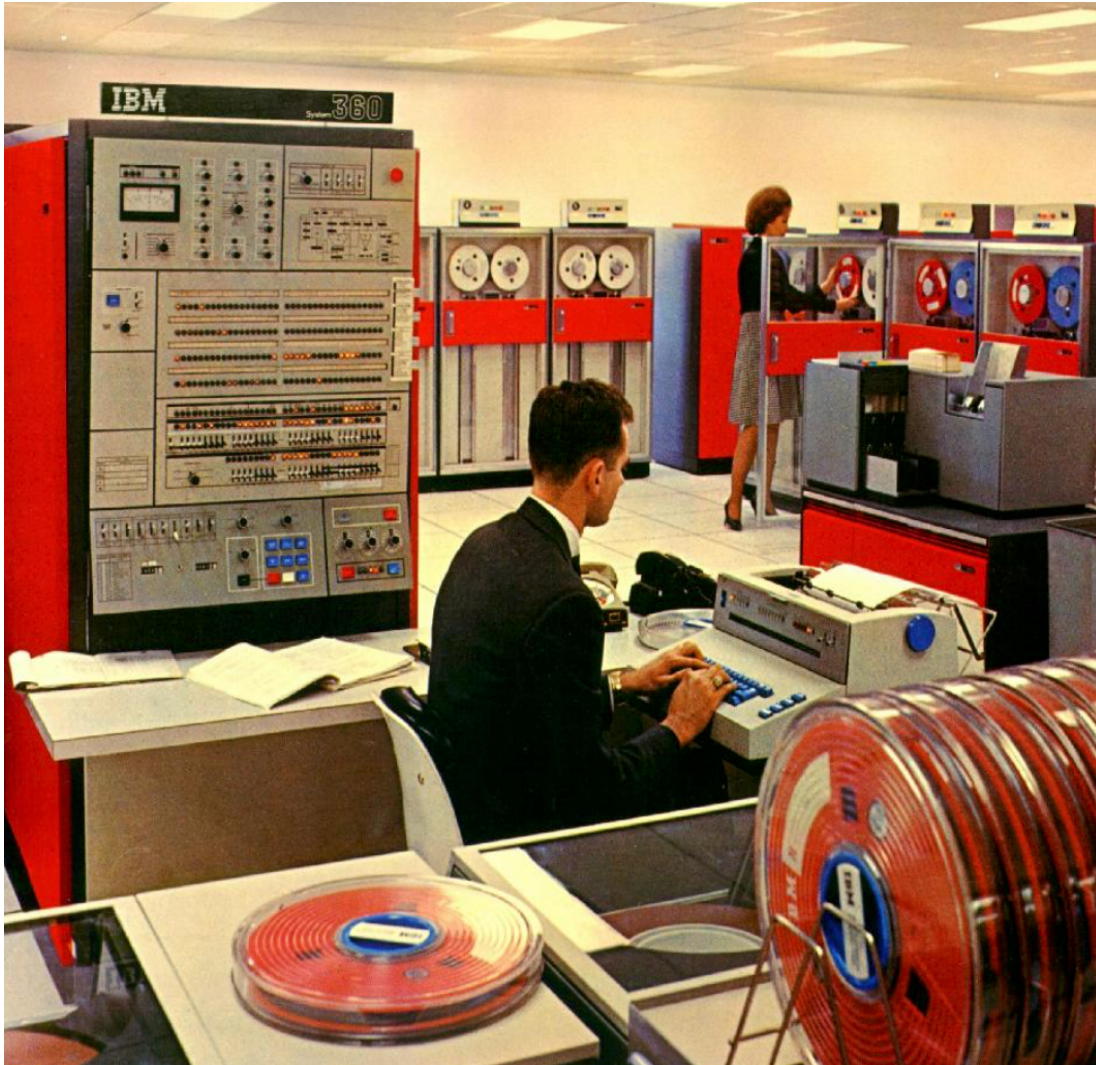
# Why are we here?



“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.”



# 1 - What is MVS?

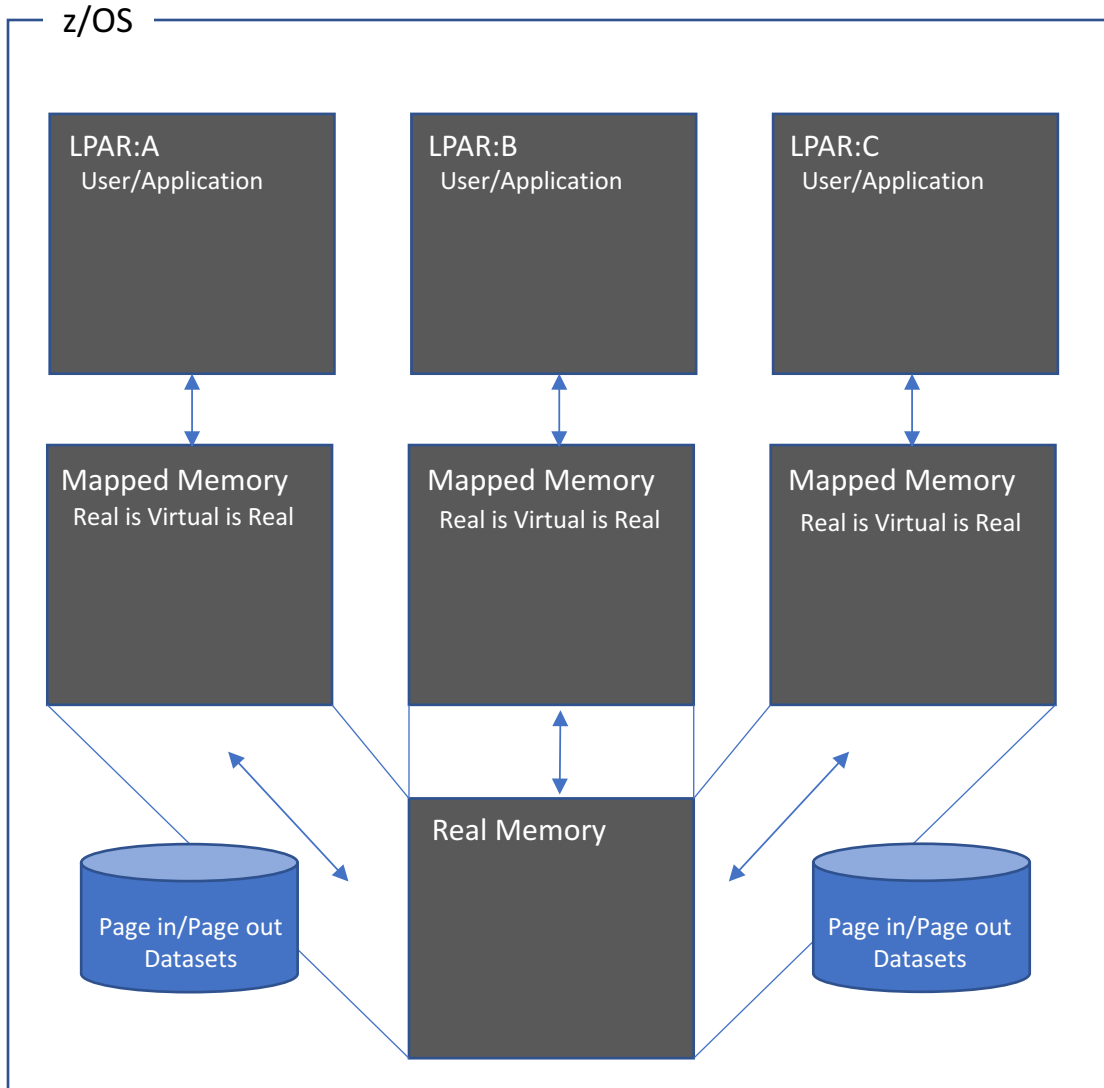


## Some History:

MVS (Multiple Virtual Storage) is an operating system from IBM that continues to run on many of IBM's mainframe and large server computers. MVS has been said to be the operating system that keeps the world going and the same could be said of its successor systems, OS/390 and z/OS. The payroll, accounts receivable, transaction processing, database management, and other programs critical to the world's largest businesses are usually run on an MVS or successor system. Although MVS has often been seen as a monolithic, centrally-controlled information system, IBM has in recent years repositioned it (and successor systems) as a "large server" in a network-oriented distributed environment.

The follow-on versions of MVS (z/OS, for example) no longer includes the "MVS" in its names.

## 2 - What is MVS?



### Virtual Storage:

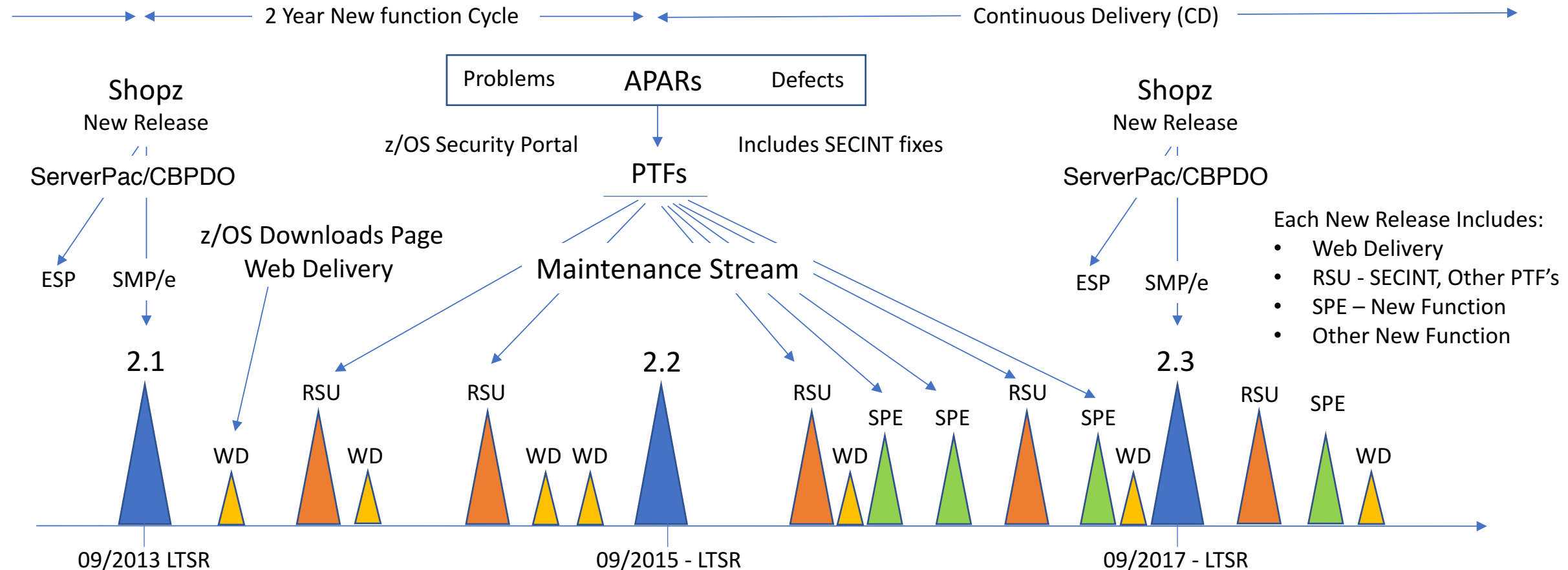
The Virtual Storage in MVS refers to the use of virtual memory in the operating system.

Virtual storage or memory allows a program to have access to the maximum amount of memory in a system even though this memory is actually being shared among more than one application program.

The operating system (z/OS) translates the program's virtual address into the real physical memory address where the data is actually located.

The Multiple in MVS indicates that a separate virtual memory is maintained in the mapped form within a Paged Dataset for each multiple task partition. These Pages are, in turn, called (Paged) in and out of Real Memory as needed.

## 2 - Delivery - How you get it



APAR	- Authorized Program Analysis Report describes problem and is formally tracked until resolved
RSU	- Recommended Service Update
SPE	- Describes a New Function APAR
PTF	- Program Temporary Fix - When applied, resolves a related APAR - FIX Package FIXPCK
EOS	- End of Service
LTSR	- Long-Term Support Release - 2yrs Minimum, 1yr extension is optional at End of Service - CD has a shorter support cycle
ESP	- Early Support Program
SECINT	- System Security and Integrity APARs/PTFs
CBPDO	- Custom-Built Product Delivery Option

## 2 - Delivery - How you install it

### About ServerPac

ServerPac - An entitled software delivery package consisting of products and services for which IBM® has performed the SMP/E installation steps and some post-SMP/E steps.

- A full system replacement installs a complete z/OS system. A full system replacement helps assure a successful first IPL.
- A software upgrade installs only system software and does not create the set of new operational data sets required to IPL.

### About CBPDO

CBPDO - An entitled software delivery package consisting of uninstalled products and unintegrated service. There is no dialog program to help you install, as there is with ServerPac.

- Other than z/OS itself, CBPDO is useful to upgrade an existing product, or add a new product to an existing SMP/E environment.
- By contrast, the Product ServerPac is useful when creating a new SMP/E environment.

### About SMP/E

SMP/E is the basic tool for installing and maintaining z/OS® systems and subsystems. It controls changes at the element level by:

- Selecting the proper levels of elements to be installed (from a large number of possible changes),
- Calling required system utility programs to install the changes and
- Keeping records of the installed changes.

SMP/E is an integral part of the installation, service, and maintenance processes for CBPDOs, ProductPacs, RefreshPacs, and selective follow-on service for CustomPacs.

SMP/E can be used to install and service any software, including vendor software, that is packaged in SMP/E system modification (SYSMOD) format.

[What are the basic SMP/E commands I need to know?](#)

# 3 - Migration - Workflow

## z/OSMF

### Migration Actions Workflows:

one or more XML Files

[z/OS V2.3 Migration Workflow - GitHub](#)

- Review the Documentation - Links below and Workflow - see GitHub.
- Migration actions on “old” z/OS Release before new z/OS Release IPL - Health Check.
- Order and install “Coexistence” and “Fallback” services for systems that will share resources.
- Prepare the driving system.
- Order and install z/OS Release - ServerPac or CBPDO
- Prepare target, Actions to perform before the first IPL of z/OS Release
- IPL new z/OS Release with updated configuration files
- Migration actions after first IPL of New z/OS Release - Health Check.
- Deploy z/OS Release to other systems, migration is now complete.
- If no ‘Fallback” to prior release, exploit features of New Release.
- Deploy exploits to other systems, sysplex, the enterprise.

[IBM z/OS Migration \(GA32-0889-30\)](#)

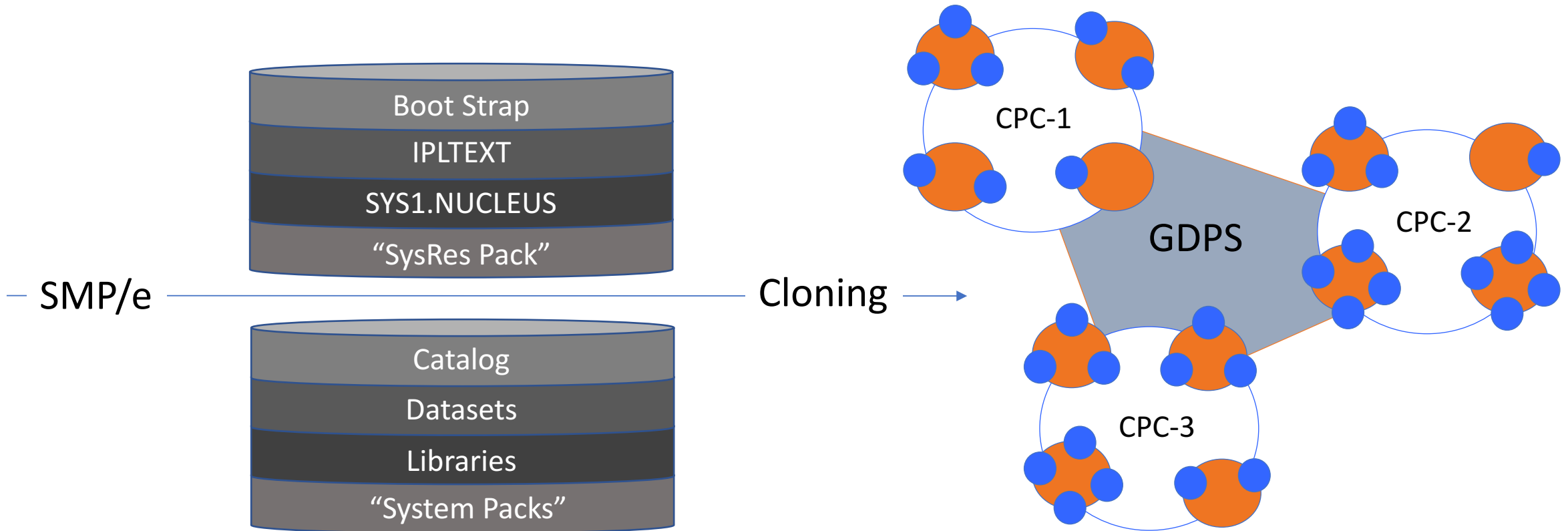
[IBM z/OS Introduction and Release Guide \(GA32-0887-30\)](#)

[IBM z/OS Planning for Installation \(GA32-0890-30\)](#)

[IBM z/OS Management Facility V2R3 - IBM Redbooks](#)



### 3 - Migration - Sysplex



Cloning an already-installed z/OS system is faster and easier than installing z/OS with an IBM installation package such as ServerPac. Cloning system libraries (logical SYSRES volume) may also save DASD and support costs because you only need to install service once.

However, before cloning z/OS, you must have a license for each z/OS operating system that you run. If you do not have the appropriate license or licenses, any cloning is an unauthorized use of z/OS.

# 3 - Migration - Hardware

*You'll have to run pretty hard just to keep up with it all!*

			z14 Q3/2017 146,700 MIPS 2200
		2827-7A1 Q3/2012 78,426 MIPS 1188	
	z10 Q3/2009 31,900 MIPS 403		
2084-332 Q4/2003 9,060 MIPS 137			

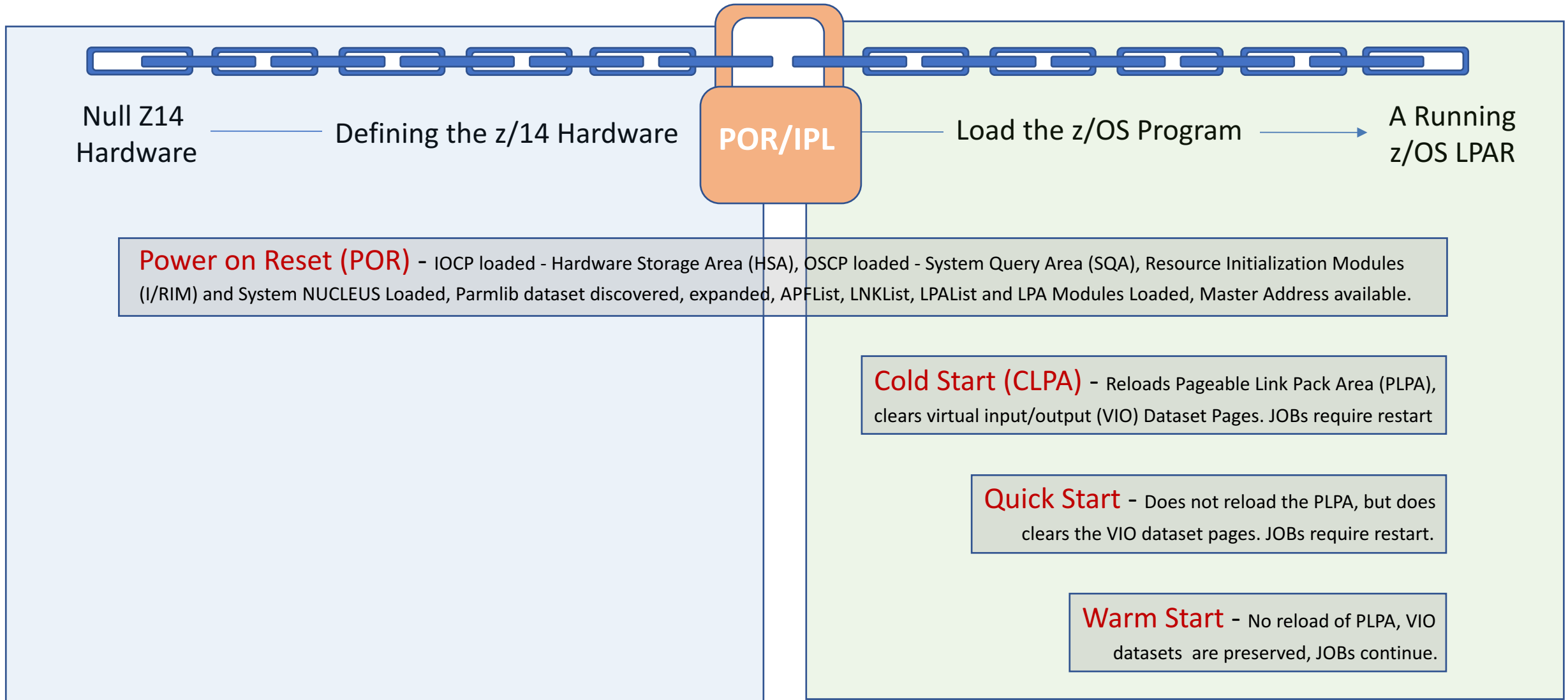
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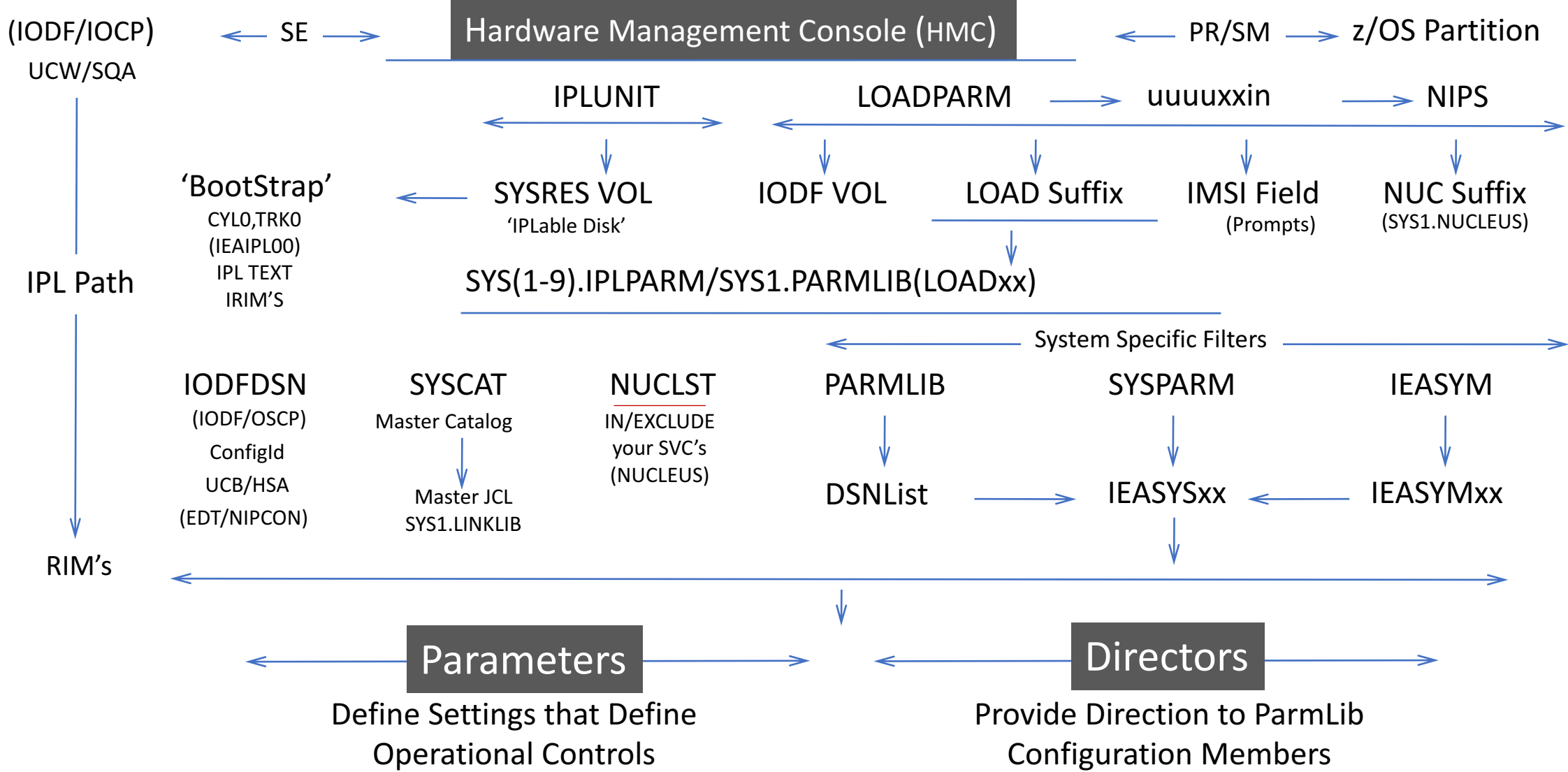
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## 4 - On the IPL Path:

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Parameters		Directors	
CLPA	NSYS LX	ALLOC=xx,xx	<b>IKJTSO=xx</b> – Auth Cmds/Progs
CMB	<b>OPI</b> – See Below*	APF=xx	IOS=xx
CSA	<b>PAGE</b> – Datasets	AUTOR=xx,xx	IQP=xx,xx
CSCBLOC	PAGESCM	AXR=xx,xx	<b>IZU=xx</b> – z/OSMF
CVIO	PAGTOTL	CATALOG=xx,xx	IXGCNF=xx,xx
<b>DRMODE</b>	PLEXCFG	CEA=xx,xx	<b>LNK=xx,xx</b> – LNK LST
DUMP	PRESCPU	CEE=xx,xx	<b>LPA=xx,xx</b> – LPALST
GRS	RDE	CLOCK=xx,xx	MLPA=xx,xx
HVCOMMON	REAL	CMD=xx,xx	MSTRJCL=xx
HVSHARE	RER	CON=xx	OMVS=xx,xx
HZSPROC	RSU	COUPLE=xx	OPT=xx
LFAREA	RSVNONR	DEVSUP=xx,xx	PAK=xx
LICENSE	RSVSTRT	DIAG=xx,xx	PROD=xx,xx
<b>LNKAUTH</b> – APF	SQA	<b>EXIT=xx</b> – Site	<b>PROG=xx,xx</b> – APF/LNK LST/LPAMOD
LOGCLS	<b>SYSNAME</b> – Name	FIX=xx,xx	<b>RACF=xx,xx</b> – Db Configuration
LOGLMT	SYSP	<b>FXE=xx</b> – Registry	<b>SCH=xx,xx</b> – PPTable
LOGREC	VIODSN	GRSCNF=xx	SMF=xx,xx
MAXCAD	VRREGN	GRSRNL=xx,xx	SMS=xx,xx
MAXUSER	WARNUND	GTZ=xx,xx	SSI=xx,xx
NONVIO	ZAAPZIIP	HZS=xx,xx	<b>SVC=xx,xx</b> – Site SVC Table
		<b>IEFOPZ=xx,xx</b>	SYSP=OPR,xx,xx
			UNI=xx & VAL=xx,xx

\*Directors and Parameters that can be placed in an IEASYSxx member or specified by the operator.



# 4 - On the IPL Path:

Unit Address

LOADPARM

\*---+---1---+---2---+---3---+---4---+---5---+---6---+---7

HWNAME h1  
LPARNAME l1  
VMUSERID v1  
ARCHLVL a  
DYNCPADD { nnnn | ENABLE | DISABLE}  
IEASYM [xx]  
          [(xx,yy,zz,...,L)]  
INITSQA xxxxK yyyyK  
          xxxxM yyyyM  
**IODF xx hiqualf configid id y s**  
MACHMIG x1,x2,...,xn  
MTLSHARE {Y | N}  
NUCLEUS n  
NUCLST nn y  
PARMLIB dsn

- 01-04** - IODF Keyword
- 10-11** - IODF DS Suffix, if "01" then Dataset name would be IODF01
- 13-21** - IODF DS High Level Qualifier, if "SYS1" then fully qualified = SYS1.IODF01
- 22-29** - OS configuration identifier used to select named OSCP from the IODF DS
- 31-32** - The Eligible Device Table associated with a named OSCP configuration
- 34-34** - "Y" to load all IODF defined devices & any other dynamically available devices
- 36-36** - "S" the subchannel set to be used during an IPL – Specify 0,1,2,3 or \*

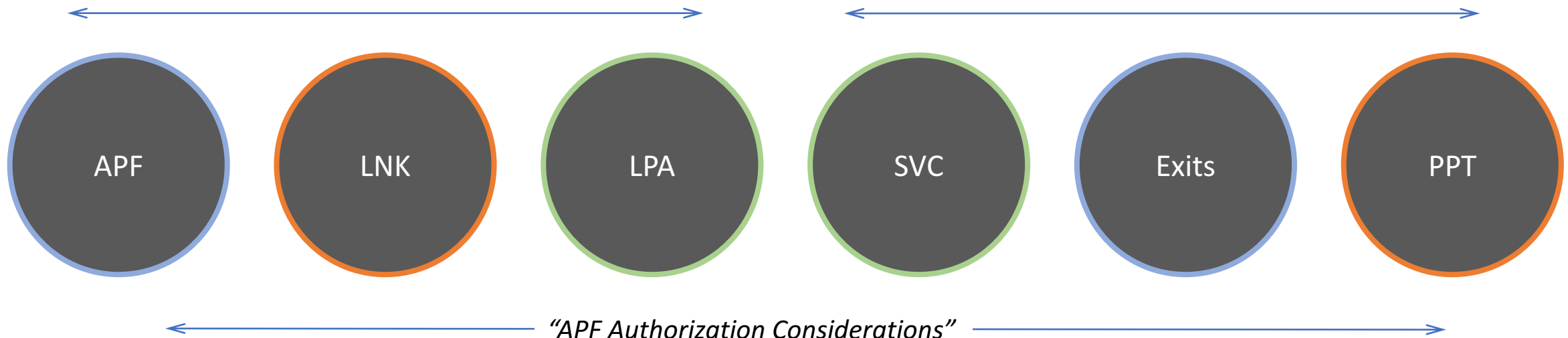
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[\*\*\*\*\*]  
[\*MCAT\*]

PROCVIEW {CORE | CPU | CORE,CPU\_OK}  
SYSCAT volserxycsdsname hlqtcv  
SYSPARM [xx]  
          [(xx,yy,zz,...,L)]  
SYSPLEX plexname

When PROCVIEW CPU is in effect, DYNCPADD applies to CPUs. When PROCVIEW CORE is in effect, DYNCPADD applies to cores. Remains unchanged for the duration of the IPL.

# 5 - Post IPL - The z System Environment

*These are loaded before the system is operational. Therefore, during the IPL their referential integrity cannot be fully validated.*



APF Datasets are defined to the system at a very early stage of the IPL process. As a result the system has no knowledge of their actual existence and loads "as is". Errors in naming lead to Post-IPL APF vulnerabilities if they are allocated

LINKLIST Datasets are APF-authorized when IEASYS value LNKAUTH is set =LNKLST and a fetch is done using that dataset as part of the LNKLST but not when using that dataset as part of JOBLIB/STEPLIB/TASKLIB or any user-opened-DCB.

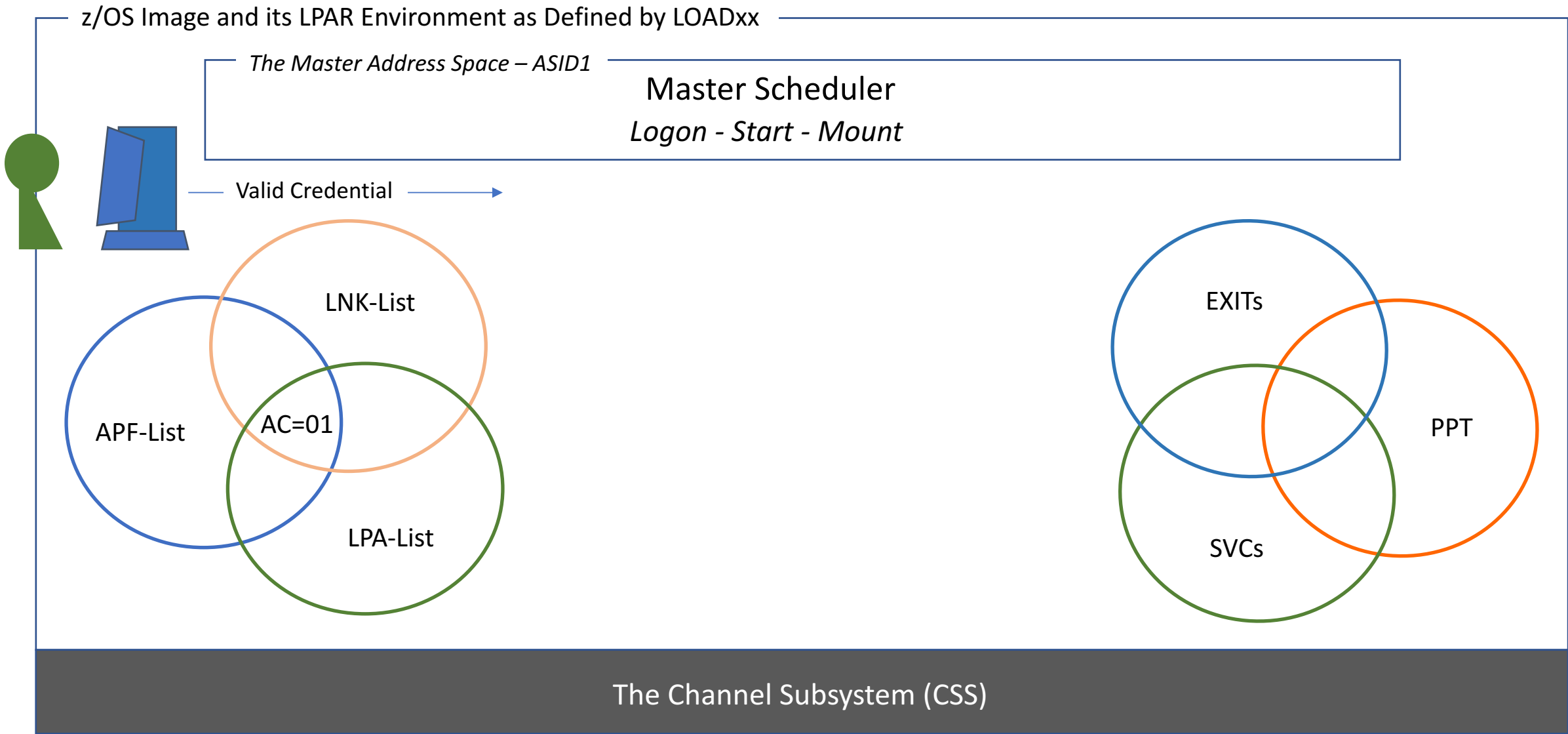
If a library is in the LNKLST concatenation but is not APF-authorized, the system will consider the library to be unauthorized for the duration of the job or step if the library is referred to through a JOBLIB or STEPLIB DD statement.

It is not necessary for the datasets in the LPALST to be APF-authorized. However, any module in the link pack area (pageable, modified, fixed, or dynamic LPA) is treated by the system as though it came from an APF authorized library

PSW keys 0 - 7 are used by the z/OS base control program (BCP) and various subsystems and middleware. Key 0 is the master key. PSW keys 8 through 15 are assigned to users. The Program Properties Table can be used to modify expected PSW key values

Properly protect LNK and LPA data set to avoid system security and integrity exposures, just as you would any APF-authorized library.

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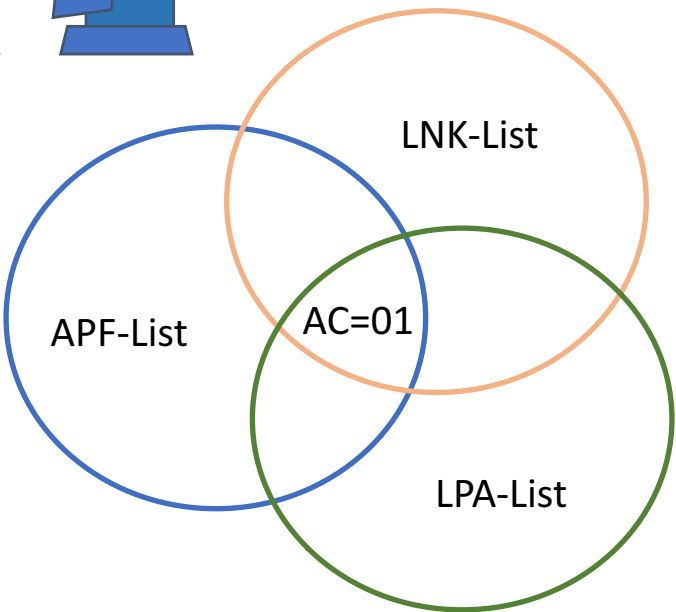
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z/OS Image and its LPAR Environment as Defined by LOADxx

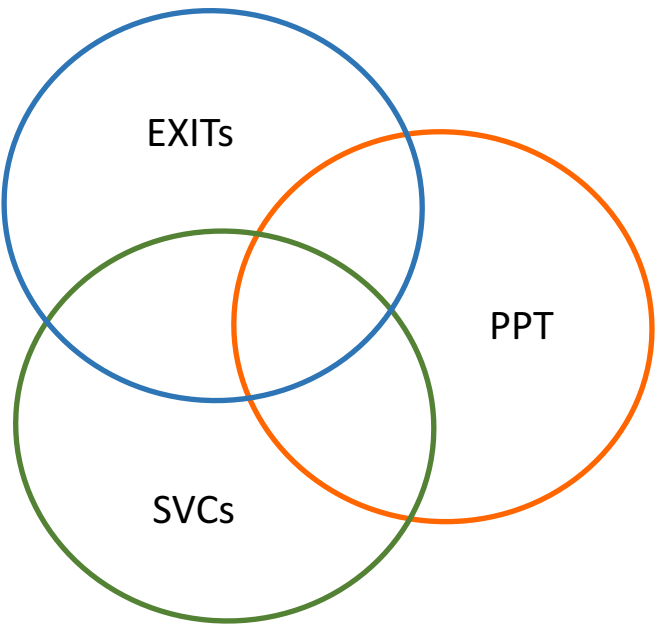
The Master Address Space – ASID1

Master Scheduler  
Logon - Start - Mount

Valid Credential



ESM ASID=xx	IUZ ASID=xx	HZS ASID=xx	TSO ASID=xx
USS ASID=xx	IMS ASID=xx	DB2 ASID=xx	CICS ASID=xx
USR ASID=xx	USR ASID=xx	OMVS ASID=xx	OMVS ASID=xx
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The Channel Subsystem (CSS)

## 5 - Post IPL - The z System Environment

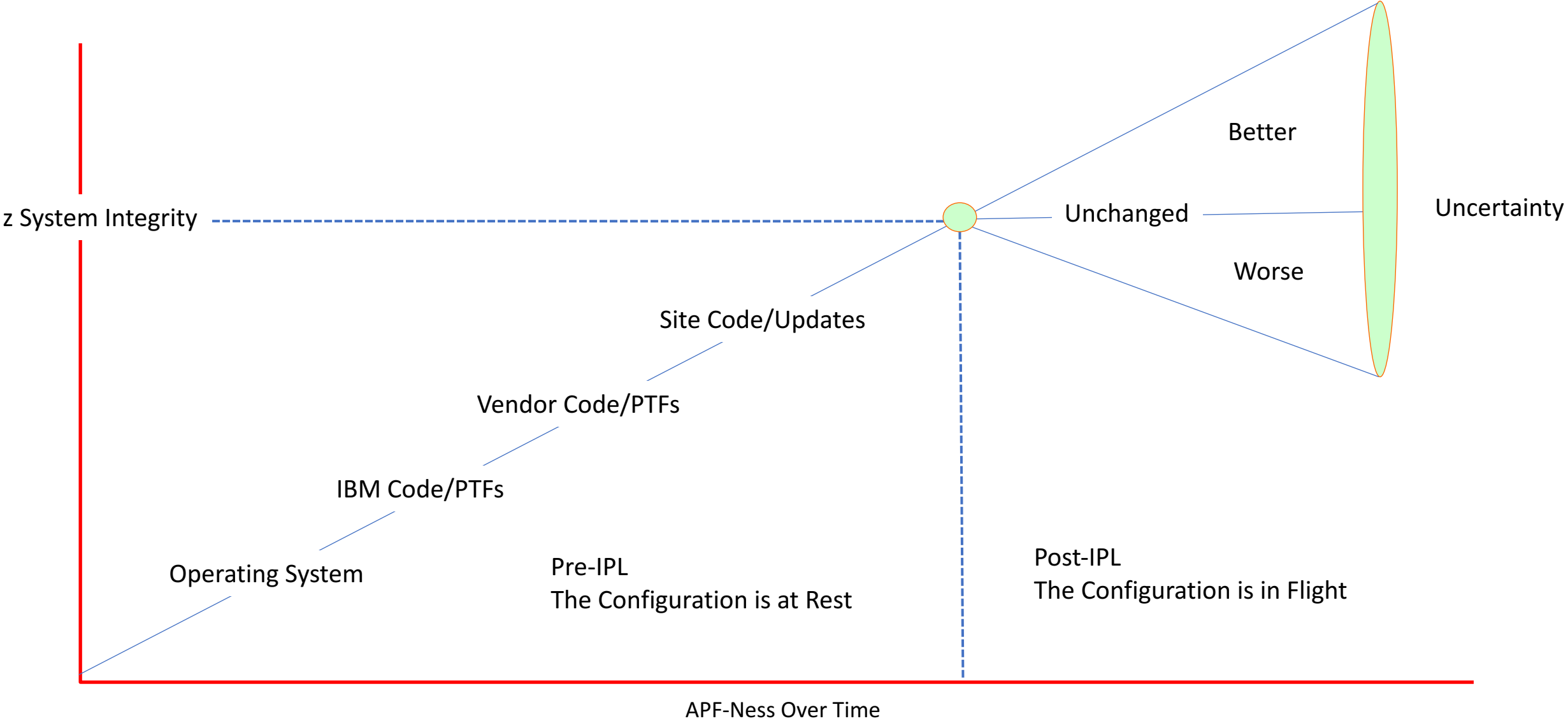
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***** Top of Data *****
000001 //USERLST JOB 1,'PRIVILEGED USER LIST',
000002 //          CLASS=A,
000003 //          MSGCLASS=A
000004 //*
000005 //LISTING PROC USRPRFX='ICE.TEST',
000006 //*
000007 //USERLIST EXEC PGM=NEZRUSRL,PARM='PRIVUSERS'
000008 //STEPLIB DD DSN=&USEPRFX.LOAD,DISP=SHR
000009 //SYSPRINT DD DSN=ICE.APPS.REPORTS,DISP=SHR
000010 //*
000011 /*
***** Bottom of Data ****
SUBMIT
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000011 /*
***** Bottom of Data *****
IKJ56250I JOB USERLST(JOB02123) SUBMITTED
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On IBM mainframe systems *Job Entry Control Language* or *JECL* is the set of command language control statements that provide information for the [spooling](#) subsystem – JES2/JES3 - Wikipedia



# 5 - Post IPL - The z System Environment



## z Integrity



### System Integrity

System integrity is the responsibility of the operating system and deals with hardware features.

Prevent Unauthorized use of privileged functions.

- System Access Facility (SAF)
- System Management Facility (SMF)

### Data Integrity

Data integrity is managed by the External Security Managers:

RACF, ACF2 & Top Secret

Prevent Unauthorized user access to resources.

- Maintain/Enforce Logon Credentials
- Maintain/Enforce Data Access Rules



## 6 - z System Integrity

*System Integrity is IBM's commitment, design, and development practices intended to prevent unauthorized application programs, subsystems and users from bypassing system security—that is, to prevent them from gaining access, circumventing, disabling, altering or obtaining control of key system processes and resources unless allowed by the installation.*

### Authorized Program Facility (APF)

Allows the authorization of system-level programs to access/use privileged Instructions in order to modify or extend the basic z/OS functions.

### For a Module to become APF Authorized:

1. It must Reside in a APF Dataset
2. Be Link Edited AC Code of (01) or
3. Reside in the Link Pack Area (LPA)

Abuse of APF Authorization will result in a loss of System Integrity and Security!

APF Authorized Libraries

Any AC(01) Module in APF Libraries

-----Active LNK Datasets-----	APF	X	Cat	Type	Volume	SMSVol
SYS1.LINKLIB	APF	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES1	-----
SYS1.MIGLIB	APF	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES1	---
SYS1.CSSLIB	APF	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES1	--
SYS1.SIEALNKE	APF	1	YES	PLIB	ZDRES1	--
SYS1.SIEAMIGE	APF	1	YES	PLIB	ZDRES1	--
SYS1.SHASLNKE	APF	1	YES	PLIB	ZDRES1	--
SYS1.SERBLINK	APF	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES1	--
ISF.SISFLOAD	---	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES2	--
ISF.SISFLINK	---	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES2	--
ISF.SISFMOD1	---	1	YES	PDS	ZDRES2	--

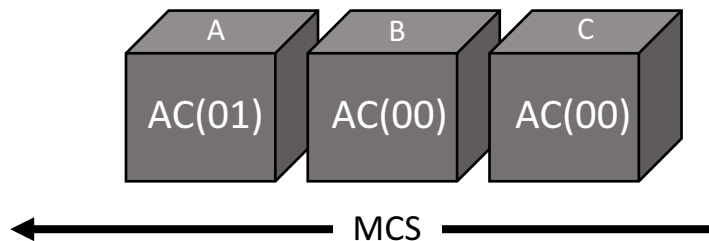
Name	Prompt	Alias-of	Size	TTR	AC
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BPXQRSD5		BPXINLP2	00050338	02470E	00
BPXTHENF		BPXINLP2	00050338	02470E	00
BPXWRXEV			00000188	003E10	00
CBRBLSUI			00011E68	02990B	00
CBRCTLR			000001F0	011905	00
CBRCTLR2			00000420	01190C	00
CBRHCTLG		CBRHMSI	00003BA0	011913	00
CBRHDMAP			00000120	011921	00
CBRHMAT			00000770	011928	00

Just take a Look-See using TSO/ISPF 3.4!

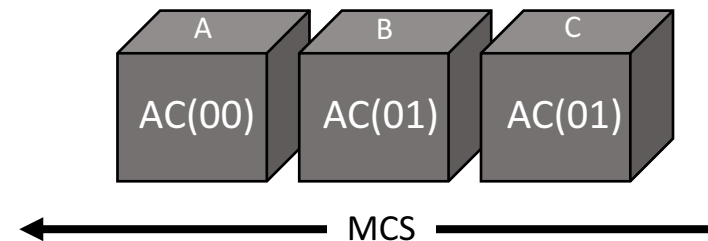
### A Program's "Module Calling Sequence" will determine if it's APF Authorized!

- The "Module Calling Sequence" (MCS) represents the order in which modules are concatenated together in order to build "Complete" Program Functions.
- The "Lead Off" Module in the MCS must be Link Edited AC(01) for the Program to achieve Authorized Program Status.
- Except for the "Lead Off" Module all other modules in the "Module Calling Sequence" all others need NOT be Link Edited AC(01) but they must all come from APF Authorized Datasets for the Program to gain Authorized Program Status or APF Authorized sources, i.e. System Link Pack Area (LPA).
- Upon execution of an Authorized Program all modules are treated "as if" they are AC(01).

*Good to go!*



*Not so much!*



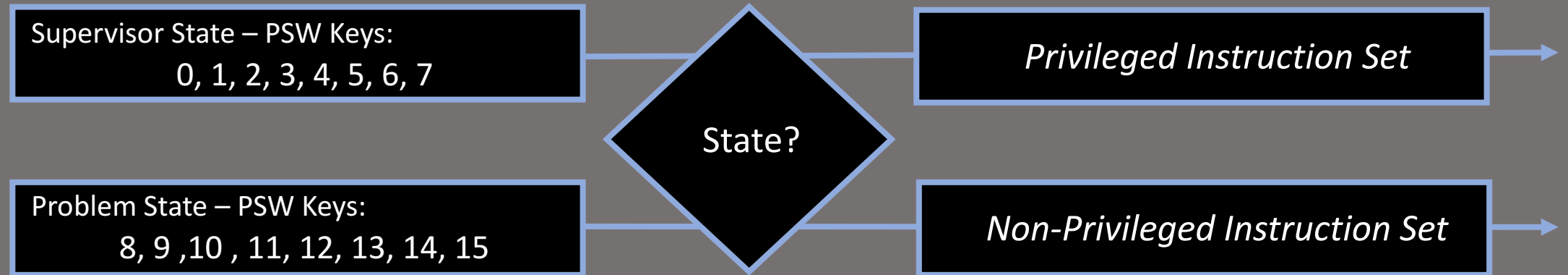


## 7 - Program Authorization

*As a general statement, Privileged instructions are intended for OS supervisory functions. If by intent or not they may be used to compromise other users or the entire z Environment.*

*z/OS operates in either of two states: Problem or Supervisor/System State. Which is determined by the value of their Program Status Word (PSW).*

- Programs with a PSW in the range of 0-7 operate in Supervisor State - execute privileged instructions.*
- Programs with a PSW in the range of 8-15 operate in Problem State - execute non-privileged instructions.*

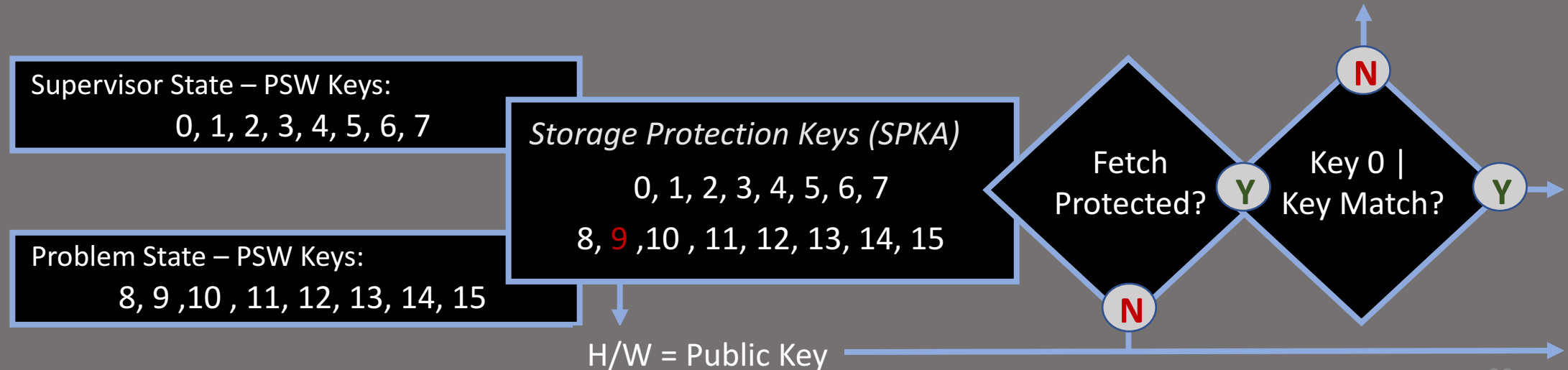


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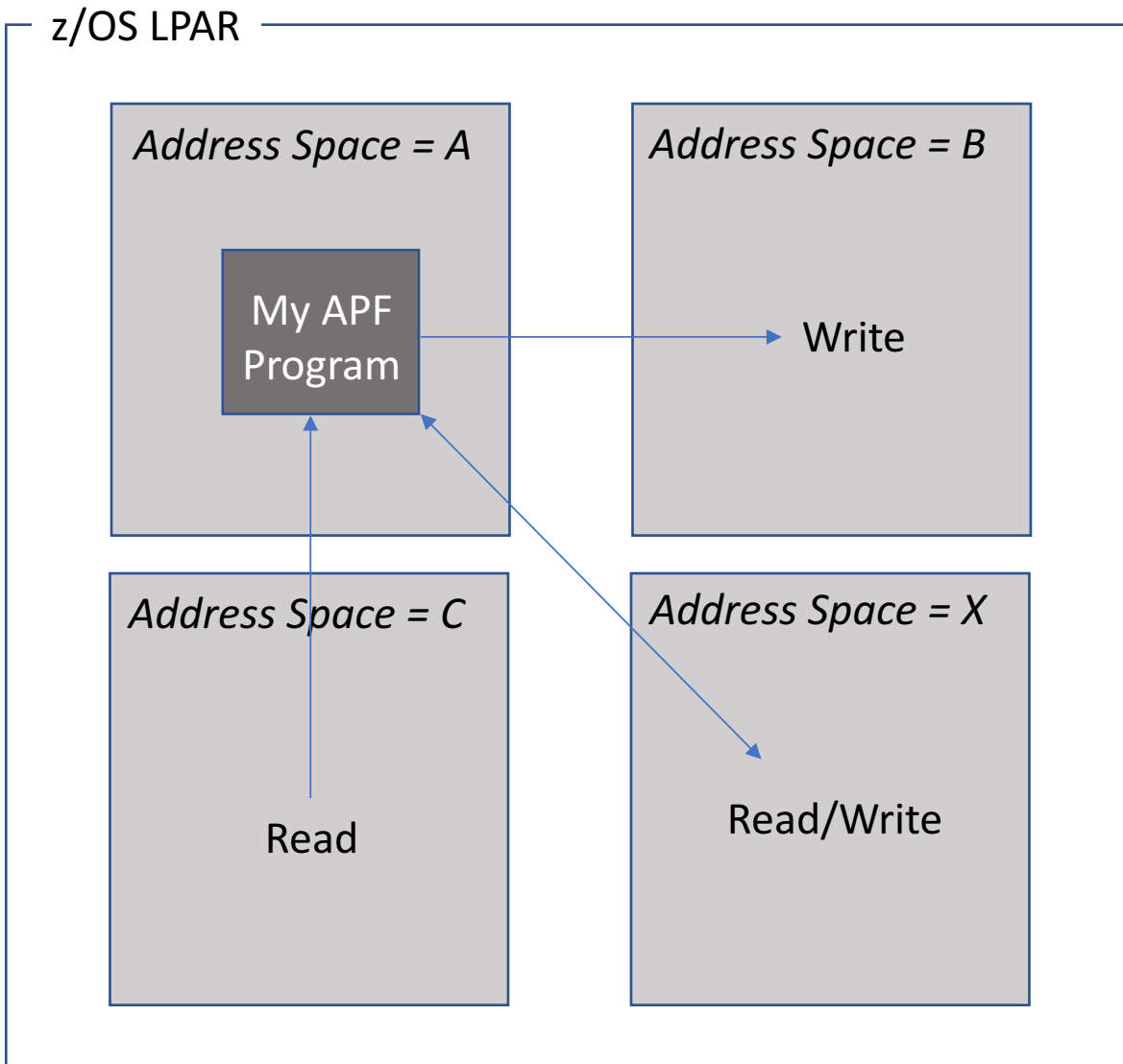
*Storage KEYS (SPKA) range from 0 to 15. 0-7 are "system keys". 8-15 are considered "user keys". Key 9 is a "public key" to which normal KEY checking does not apply. KEY 9 is a hardware implementation.*

- A program with any PSW KEY can READ storage that is not fetch-protected. Only a program with PSW KEY 0 or with PSW KEY exactly matching the storage KEY can READ fetch-protected storage, unless KEY 9.*
- A program with PSW KEY 0 can WRITE into storage of any key. A program with PSW KEY 1-15 can WRITE into storage only of that exact KEY or KEY=9.*

*Therefore, when in PSW KEY 0, a program can do whatever!*



## 7 - Program Authorization



### Question:

Can My APF Authorized program (from a valid APF Authorized Dataset marked AC(01) in one Address Space (A) Read from or Write to the memory of any other Address Space – B, C, X?

### Answer:

If the Target Memory is not Fetch Protected, no problem.

If operating in Supervisor State, PSW KEY=0, no problem!

If Target Memory is Fetch Protected and the PSW Key of My APF matches the SPKA or the Target Memory, no problem.

If operating in PSW Key "ZERO", no problem. You have the Key to the "Kingdom"!

# 7 - Program Authorization

- Note that giving WRITE or higher access to an APF authorized library is analogous to giving a Linux user root authority. Users with WRITE or higher access to an APF authorized library can do anything they want to the system:
- As an APF authorized program I can issue SAF calls (RACROUTE) to create and delete security credentials with NO extraordinary RACF privileges
- Read/update the RACF database as an APF authorized program with NO extraordinary RACF privileges
- By giving someone update access to an APF authorized library you are saying "they can invoke ANY API that is available on this system that would normally be restricted. ANY of the restricted APIs
- MODESET can get you into and out of supervisor state and into key 0 or 8. To get into other keys, you would issue an SPKA instruction.
- The thing about supervisor state, key 0 is that you can access any storage in any key in any address space. When you are in supervisor state, non-zero key, you can access all storage in the key you are in and all storage you own, but the operating system protects you from accessing other storage.
- It's the job of the application/program to set the key and to request the key assigned to allocated storage. Some storage subpools have system-defined keys. But for all intents and purposes, it's the program itself that controls those values.
- Is correct when he says AC(1) does not give you either key 0 or supervisor state. It does give you the variations of MODESET that issue an SVC, and that can give you key 0 and supervisor state.
- It can change to supervisor state; it can to whatever key it wants to be running in - that is why the access to APF libraries is of such high concern to auditors.

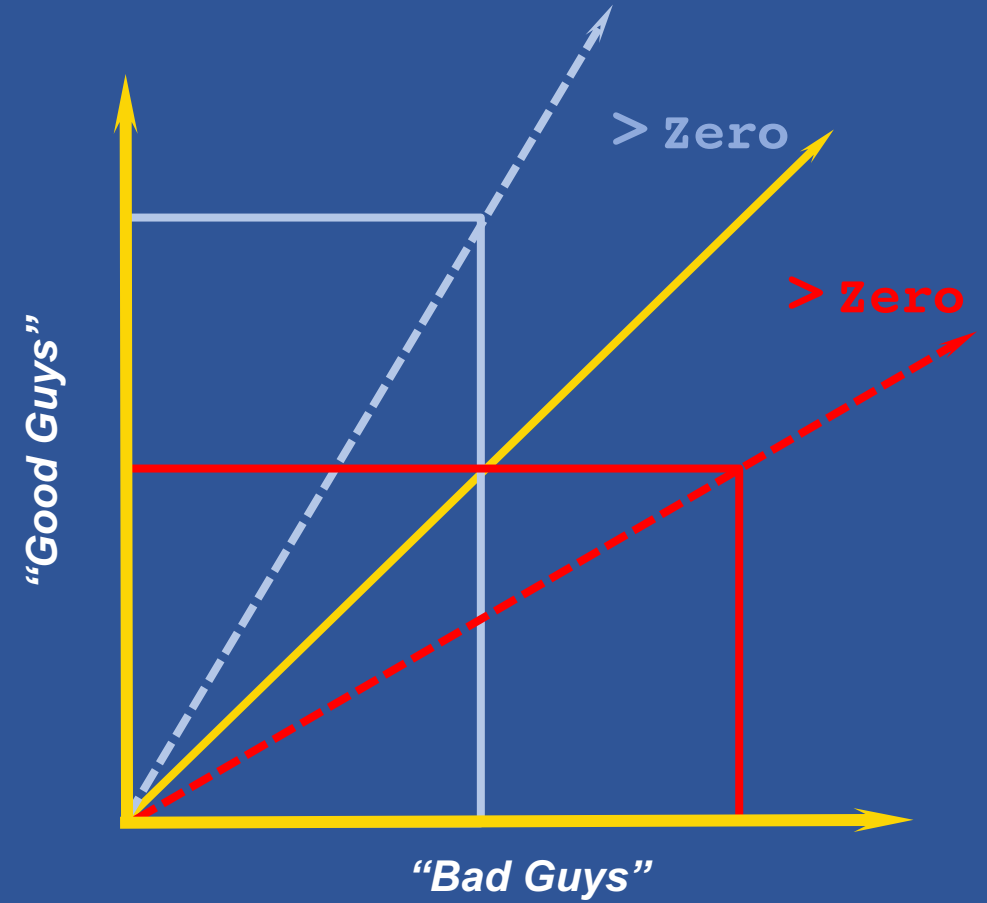
## 8 - System Vulnerabilities

**“Good Guys”**

**“Bad Guys”**



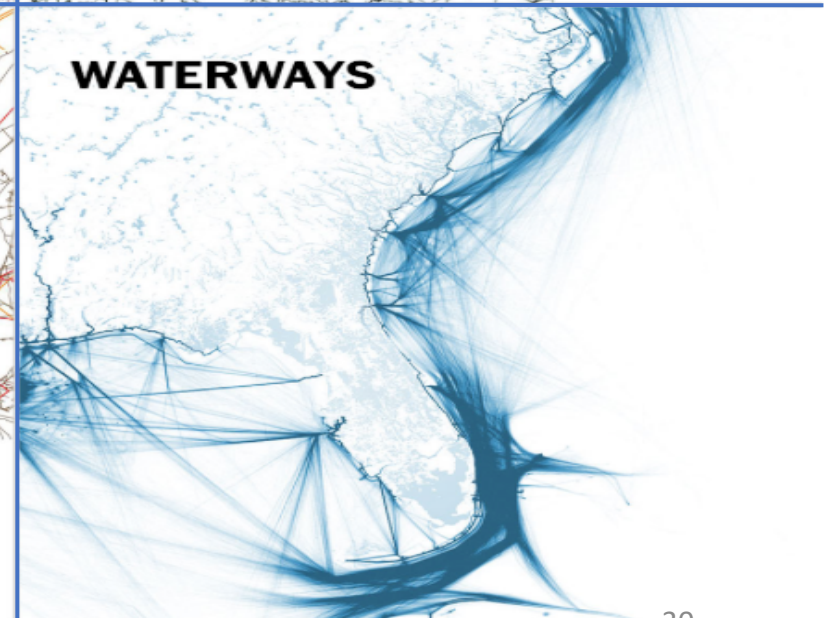
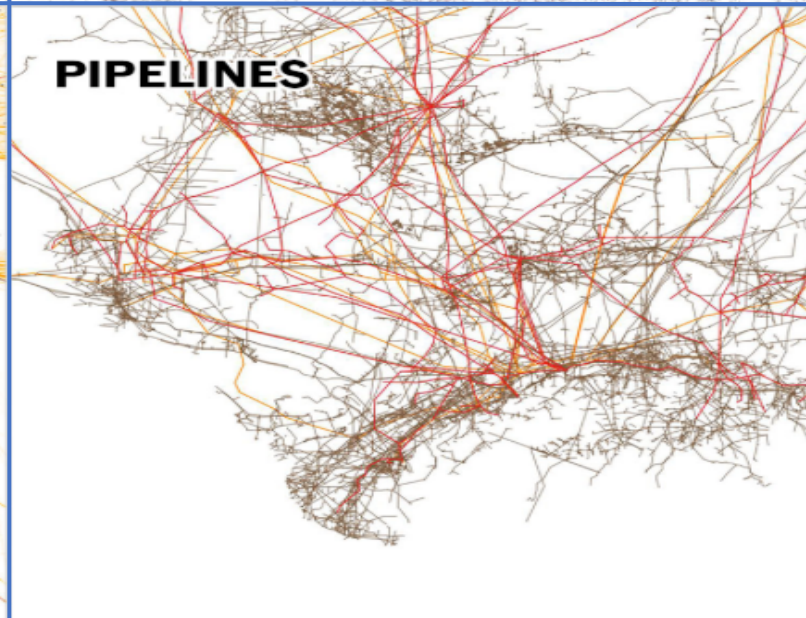
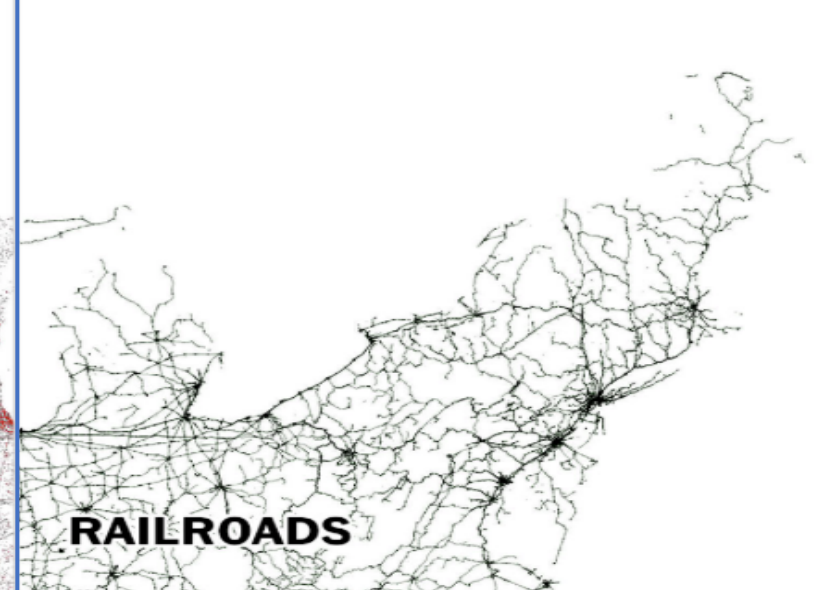
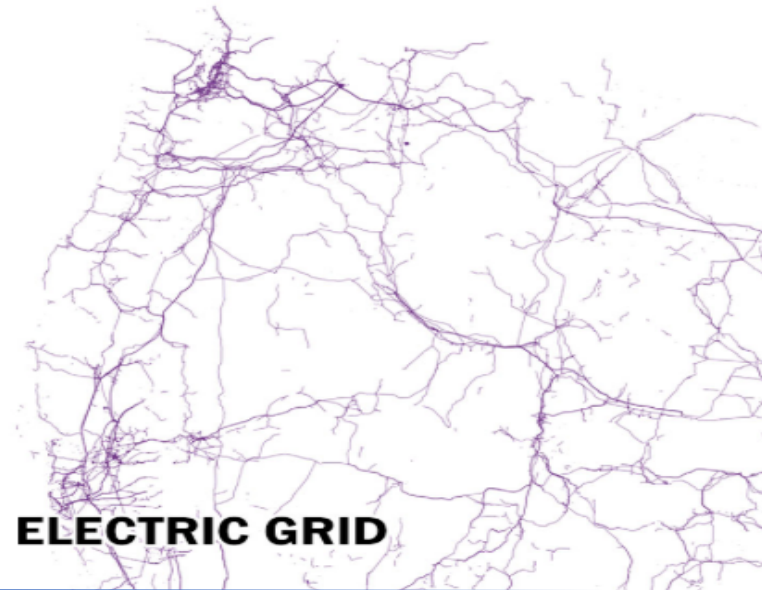
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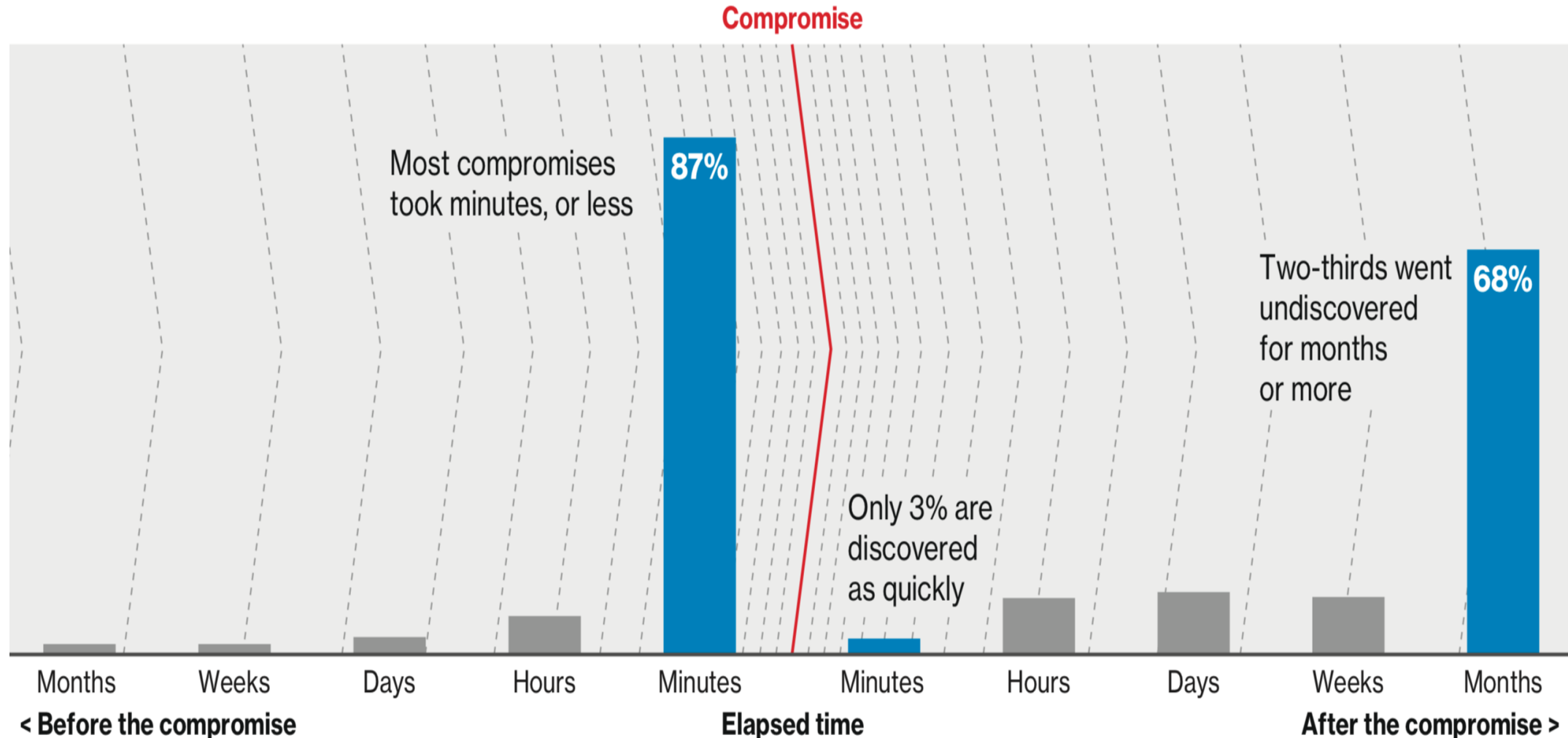
A System is Considered Secure when “Bad Guys” have a Negligible Advantage over “Good Guys”.



## 8 - System Vulnerabilities



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Those that result from lax User Credential Control  
Those that result from Over Privileging Users

Those that result from Configuration Errors  
Those that result from Code Based Errors

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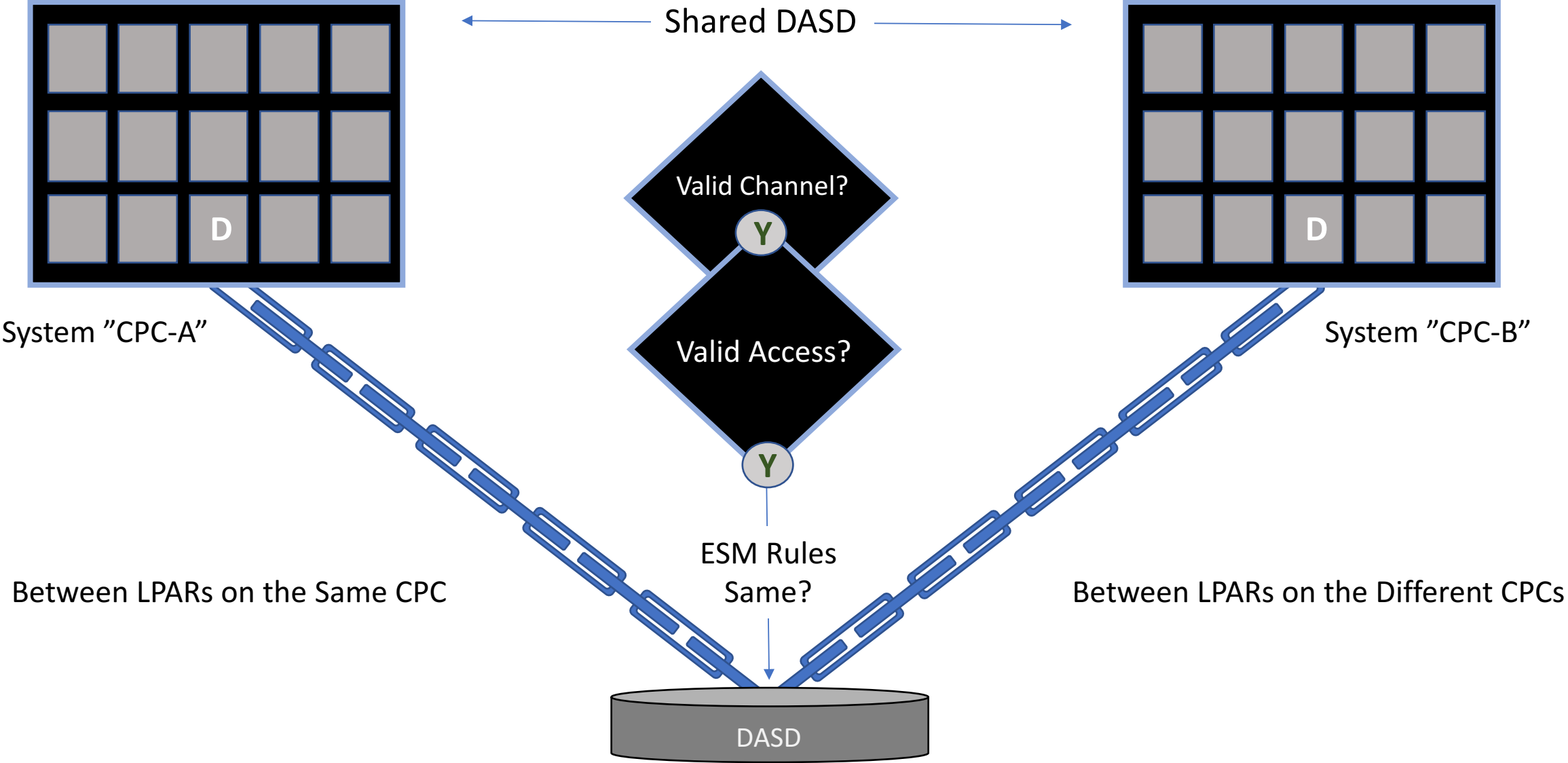


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————— *Pervasive DS Encryption - Don't Misplace Your Master Key!* —————

←————— Separation of Duties and Responsibilities —————→



### System Programming

- Key Life Cycle
- ICSF



### Storage Administration

- Dataset Management
- DFSMF



### Security Administration

- Dataset Access
- RACF, ACF2, TSS

Long/Short-term data storage can be securely managed without exposing content to administrators/others.

ICSF     - Integrated Cryptographic Services Facility

DSFMF   - Assign attributes to data sets and objects so system can auto manage storage

## 8 - System Vulnerabilities

### Code Based Vulnerabilities may exist:

Controlling access to Supervisor/System State and therefore restricting access to privileged instructions is a critical first step in preventing vulnerabilities that expose system memory, control functions, integrity and security.

By intent or not, a program, like the sample shown, operating authorized can, as in this case, use the MODESET instruction to move into and out of Supervisor/System State.

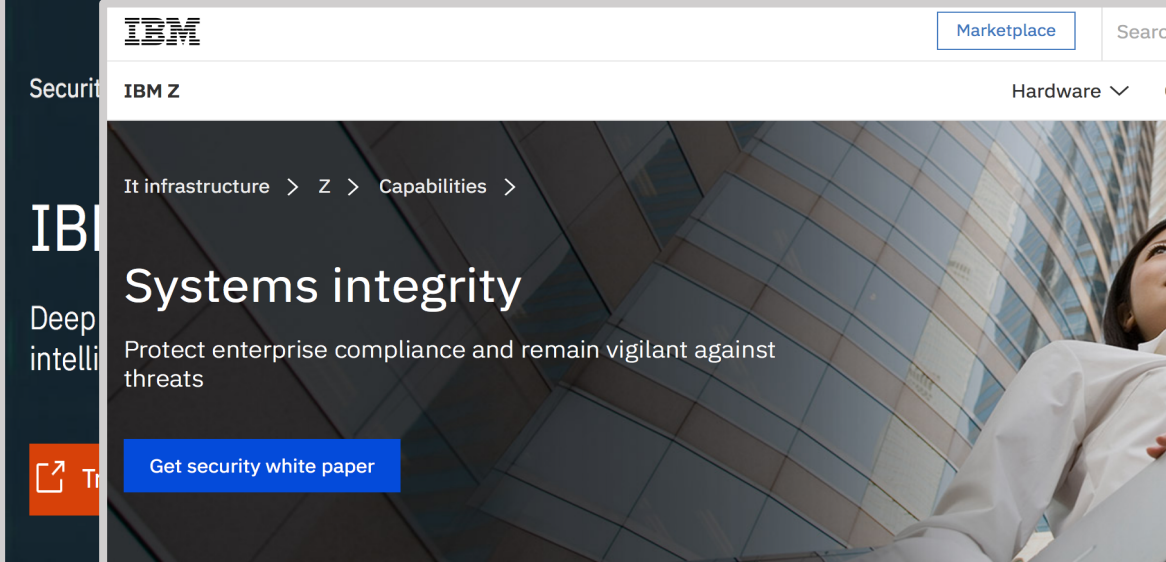
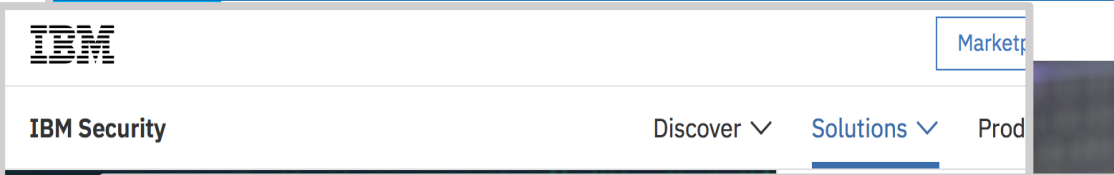

Such “State Switching” could give the program unintended powers to READ Memory, as in this case, to extract the PSW Key using other privileged instruction. Change the Key Value as needed and then replace the old value with the new, thus changing the PSW/SPKA key association.

```
TESTAUTH STATE=YES,RBLEVEL=1  TEST STATE
STC    R15,STATE               SAVE IT
LA     R2,0
MODESET MODE=SUP               CAPTURE KEY
IPK
MODESET MODE=PROB,KEY=NZERO    GET KEY R2
ST     R2,KEY                  SET KEY
.                                SAVE KEY
.
.
.
MODESET MODE=SUP
L      R2,KEY
SPKA   0(R2)                   REVERT KEY
CLI    STATE,0                 SUP. STATE
BE     RETURN2                 YES
MODESET MODE=PROB
```

Never forget PSW Key 0 is the Key to the “Kingdom”!

# 8 - System Vulnerabilities

IBM utilizes several internal and external sources as input to the security and system integrity process to assist IBM as it investigates and works on vulnerabilities that might potentially affect IBM Z. So should you! [US-CERT | United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team](#)



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# 9 - Language Index

## *Glossary of Terms:*

1. APAR - Authorized Program Analysis Report describes problem, formally tracked until resolved
2. APF - Authorized Program Facility
3. ASID - The Numeric Address Space Identifier
4. BCP - The Base Control Program - Backbone of z/OS Reliability and Integrity
5. CBPDO - Custom-Built Product Delivery Option
6. CF - Channel Facility
7. CPC - The Central Processing Complex
8. CPACF - CP Assist for Cryptographic Functions
9. CLI - Compare Logical Intermediate - In snippet - test for change in State
10. CSS - Channel Sub-System - Controls data flow input/output.
11. CHPID - Channel Path Identifier - a logical designation
12. CMT - CHPID Mapping Tool - Maps Logical to Physical Channels
13. DASD - Direct Access Storage Device
14. DEB - Data Extent Block build on OPEN of DCB (Data Control Block). Can examine but not change
15. DPM - Dynamic Partition Manager - Linux specific Partition Management
16. DUCT - Dispatchable Unit Control Table - Control over the Authority State
17. DSFME - Assign attributes to data sets and objects so system can auto manage storage
18. EDT - Eligible Device Table
19. EOS - End of Service - a date
20. ESM - External Security Manager

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## *Glossary of Terms:*

21.ESP	- Early Support Program
22.FICON	- Fiber Connection - FICON has replaced ESCON
23.GDPS	- Geographically Disbursed Sysplex
24.HCD	- Hardware Configuration Definition
25.HMC	- Hardware Management Console
26.HSA	- Hardware Storage Area
27.ICSF	- Integrated Cryptographic Services Facility
28.IFL	- Integrated Facility for Linux - A System Assist Processor(SAP)
29.IMSI	- Initialization Message Suppression Indicator
30.IOCP	- I/O Configuration Program - Hardware Portion of IODF
31.IODF	- Input/Output Definition File - HCD - IOCP, OSCP and SWCP
32.IOCDS	- Input/Output Configuration Dataset, same as IOCP
33.IPK	- Insert PSW Key - A privileged Instruction - See snippet
34.IRIM	- IPL Resource Initialization Modules
35.JCL	- JOB Control Language - used to submit job to z/OS
36.LCSS	- Logical Channel Sub-System - Up to 6 in a z14 each supports up to 15 LPARs
37.LPAR	- Logical Partition - Up to 85 in a z14
38.LTSR	- Long-Term Support Release - 2yrs Minimum, 1yr extension is optional at EOS
39.MODESET	- Change system status - alter PSW/PKM or State Indicator
40.NIPCON	- A named Console Device used only during a system IPL

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## *Glossary of Terms:*

41.NIPS	- Nucleus Initialization Processing
42.OSCP	- Operating System Control Program – Software portion of IODF
43.PCIe	- Peripheral Component Interconnect Express
44.PCHID	- Physical Channel Identifier – Up to 256 in a z14, shared by all CHPIDs
45.PDE	- Pervasive Dataset Encryption
46.PTF	- Program Temporary Fix – When applied resolves a related APAR – FIX Package FIXPCK
47.PU	- Processor Unit – Up to 107 in a single z14 CPC
48.RCT	- Region Control Task – Highest priority Task in Address Space – Controls Swap in/out
49.RIM	- Resource Initialization Modules
50.RRSF	- RACF Resource Sharing Facility
51.RSU	- Recommended Service Update
52.SAF	- System Access Facility
53.SAP	- Service Assist Processor – I/O Channel Channel Management, zIIPs, zAAPs, IFL's
54.SPE	- Describes a New Function APAR
55.SPKA	- Set Storage Protect Key from Address – A Privileged Instruction
56.SMP/E	- System Modification Program/Extended
57.SQA	- System Query Area – A storage area in main memory
58.SRB	- Service Request Block – Supervisor State – SRB Routine, SRB Mode, Scheduling an SRB
59.SVC	- Supervisor Call – Named System Modules – System Service Routines – IBM/USER
60.SWCP	- Switch Configuration Program

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## *Glossary of Terms:*

61.TCB	- Task Control Block - Problem State - Application Programs
62.UCB	- Unit Control Block - Software portion of the Device Chain
63.UCW	- Unit Control Work - Hardware portion of the Device Chain
64.USS	- Unix System Services
65.SE	- System Element - 1 of 2 CPC specific Workstations
66.SECINT	- System Security and Integrity APARs/PTFs
67.POR	- Power on Reset - A base level initialization of hardware and possible IPL
68.PPT	- Program Properties Table
69.PR/SM	- Processor Resource/System Manager
70.PKM	- Program Status Word MASK - Control PSW Key Changes
71.PSW	- Program Status Word - 0/7 protected & 8/15 not protected
72.SMF	- System Management Facility - used to control system event logging
73.SAN	- Storage Area Network - Sometime SNIA
74.TKE	- Trusted Key Entry Workstation
75.US-CERT	- United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team
76.z/OS	- A z Mainframe Operating System
77.z/OSMF	- The z/OS System Management Facility - a web-based workstation interface



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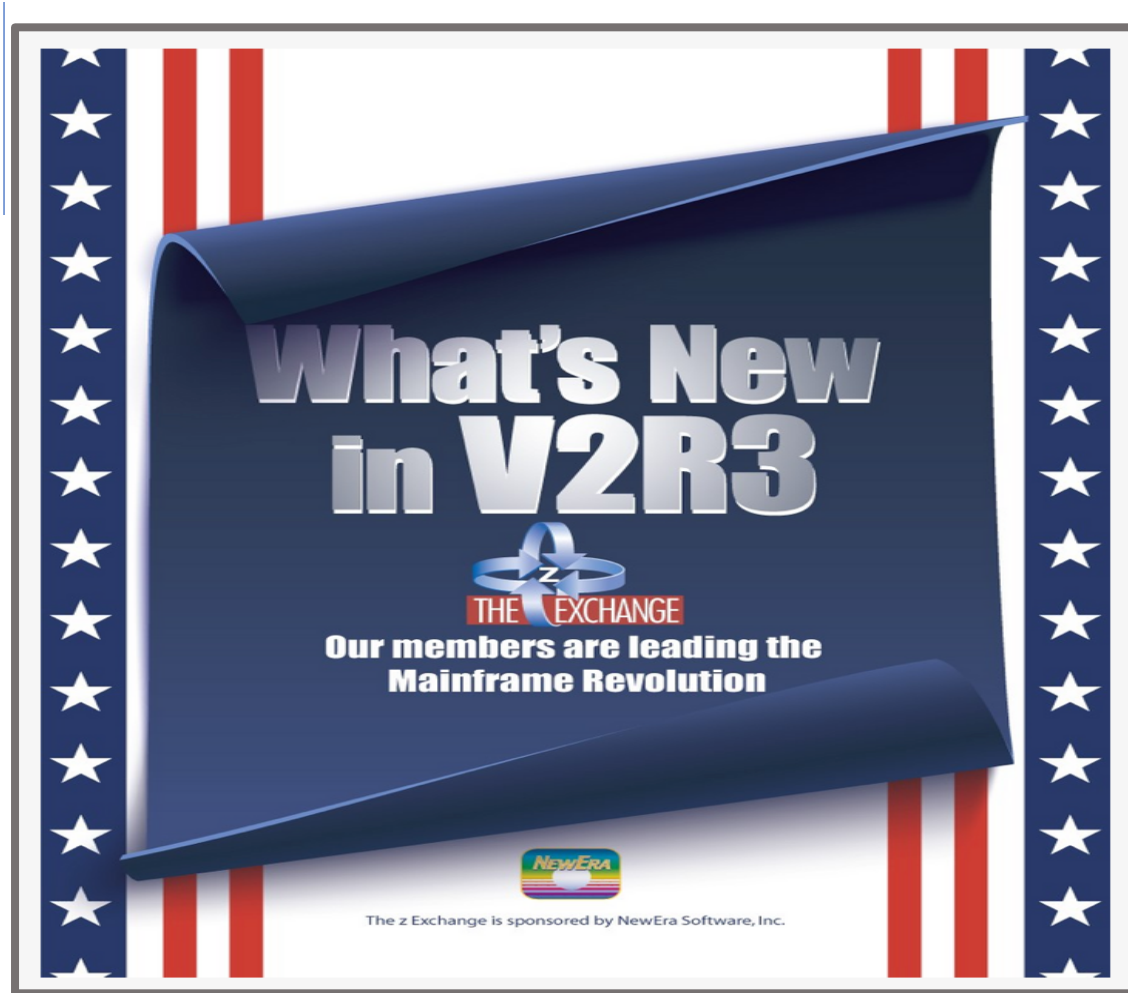
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- ✓ What we've been doing – How to Build a Trusted Computer Base, a base that provides both Operational Integrity and Data Security.
- ✓ What we know now is that the trust we seek is a process that will work most of the time. But, it's not an absolute or something we are able to measured.
- ✓ In order to understand how to build trust you need to study these materials and when you're done (it may take a while) be able to communicate your understanding clearly to others.
- ✓ To communicate it you need to explain how it works, why it matters to you and why others should care as well.
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