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IBM Z Linux®

Complete visibility, complete optimization

IBM zSystems and LinuxOne visibility

The IBM mainframe can be complex to manage. Visibility of what applications are running; what is end of life or end of service; growth of containerization; how do I stay agile, highly performant, and be future-proof? These topics are all top-of-mind for enterprises.

Flexera provides visibility into IBM zSystems and LinuxOne infrastructure, and insights into cost savings that span your entire IT estate, leaving no stone unturned. This latest addition to Flexera One provides valuable benefits for companies looking to maximize their investments in IBM zSystems and LinuxOne technology. Additionally, this joint offering helps customers move to a more sustainable, secure and scalable business model.

Manage and reduce costs

Flexera's unique partnership with IBM, which affords us access to IBM's entire data catalog, means we can deliver the most accurate and up-to-date insights to drive action that optimizes your technology investments.

We maintain an inventory of all software and hardware to manage customer requirements, including the ability to measure and manage physical, SaaS and hybrid environments. Flexera works extensively with many vendors to optimize their technology investments.

Many Flexera customers find they can optimize container usage, manage licenses across those, and make best use of IBM sub-capacity options.

Get more value by doing less

In addition to providing a complete license picture, including deployments, compliance and optimization recommendations, Flexera offers many other benefits:

- Understand technology debt and meet regulatory requirements; Flexera offers a complete view across all vendors and all environments—an Enterprise Technology Blueprint
- Bring the mainframe closer to the business by giving a complete view of the environment; become, faster, more agile and more integrated
- Reduce risk and vulnerability by understanding technology obsolescence; what is end of life, end of service, what needs to be patched, updated, etc.
- Maximize business and environmental efficiency; incorporate mainframe efficiencies into your ESG dashboard using Flexera technology insights for complete energy and carbon reporting
- Reduce unnecessary IT spend by reporting on mainframe efficiencies, bringing it closer to the business and part of a converged infrastructure

Using another tool would have required us to continue with a separate tool for IBM reporting for sub-capacity licensing requirements.

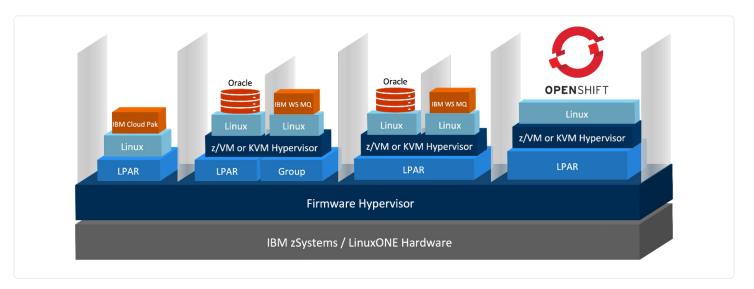
Based on the initial usage of [Flexera] we are very satisfied with its overall performance.

Gain a confident view of your IBM zSystems/LinuxOne infrastructure

IBM zSystems and LinuxOne is a highly secure and scalable enterprise platform widely used by organizations for the most critical applications and data. By offering support for IBM zSystems and LinuxOne, we're making it easier for you to manage your software assets and track usage, identify underutilized assets and optimize license allocation, which leads to significant cost savings. Now you can rest assured you're only paying for the licenses you

need and avoid the risk of non-compliance with licensing agreements.

When it comes to containers in this space, we provide even deeper visibility and optimization opportunities. The Flexera Kubernetes/OpenShift inventory agent has been extended to support Kubernetes/OpenShift on IBM zSystems and LinuxOne z/VM or KVM virtualization. This provides visibility into Kubernetes/OpenShift clusters and IBM products/Cloud Paks licensing running in Kubernetes containers.



Flexera provides visibility across a typical IBM zSystems infrastructure array

About Flexera

Flexera delivers SaaS-based IT management solutions that enable enterprises to accelerate digital transformation and multiply the value of their technology investments. We help organizations *inform their IT* with definitive visibility into complex hybrid IT ecosystems, providing unparalleled IT insights that allow them to seize technology opportunities. And we help them *transform their IT* with tools that deliver actionable intelligence across an ever-increasing range of dimensions to effectively manage, govern and optimize their hybrid IT estate.

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