

IBM i and Cloud

A hybrid cloud strategy for IBM's premiere integrated operating system, maximizing client value and minimizing client risk



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A silhouette of a person stands on a rocky outcrop, looking up at a vast night sky filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy. The galaxy's colorful bands of light stretch across the dark expanse of the universe. The person's shadow is cast on the rock, and the overall scene conveys a sense of wonder and contemplation about our place in the cosmos.

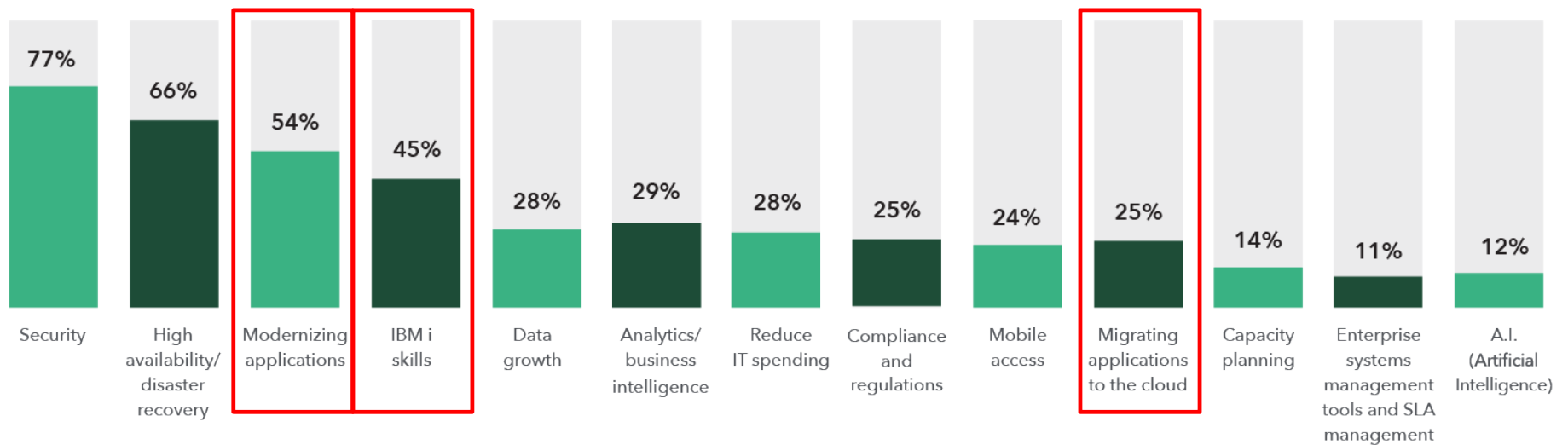
WHY ARE WE HERE?



Top IT Concerns – 2020 Survey

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What are your top concerns as you plan your IT environment?

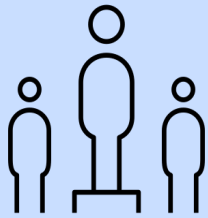


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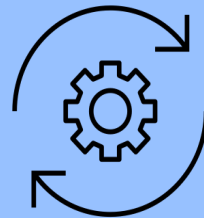
Factors Driving Modernization

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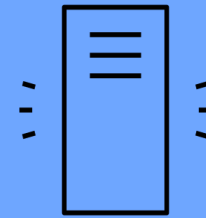
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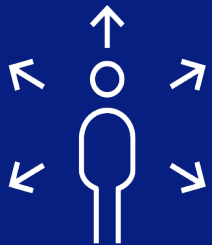
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Technology



Skills



Tools



Resources

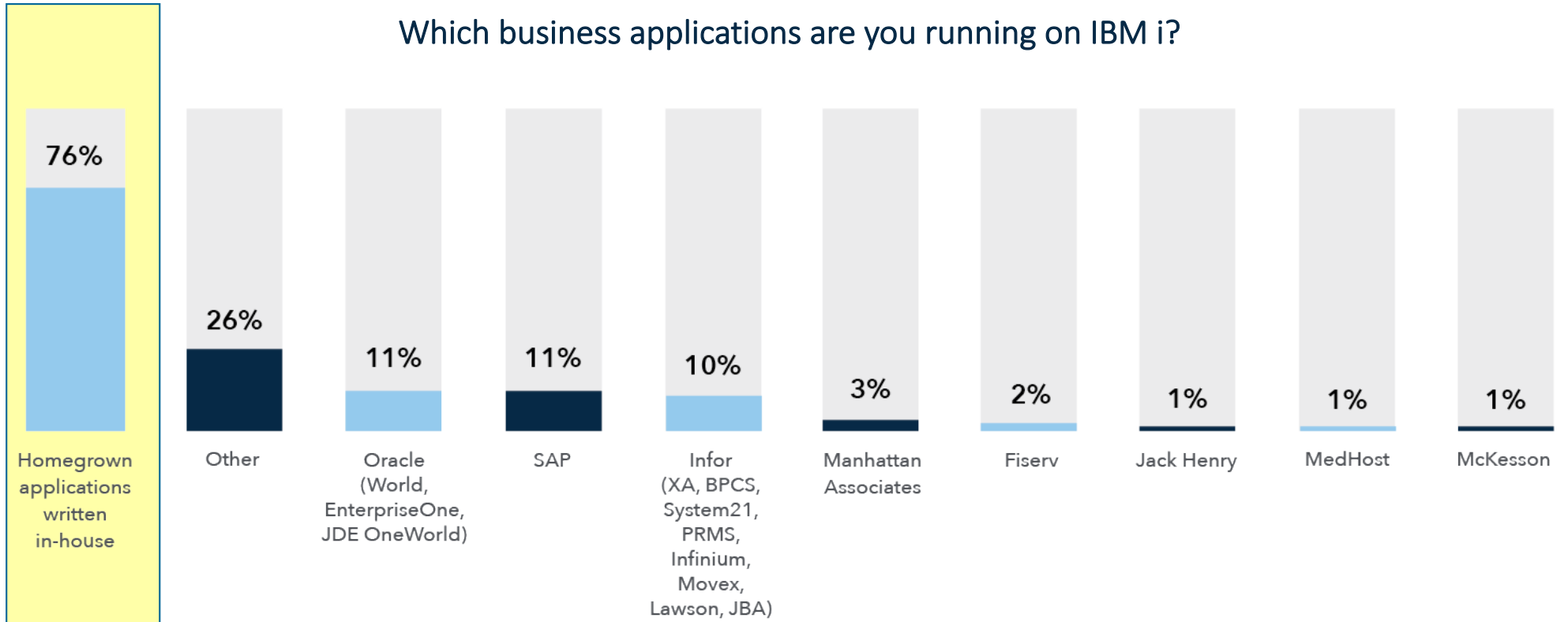


Time



Different Applications Running on IBM i

Which business applications are you running on IBM i?



There are literally thousands of ISVs with packages available on IBM i.

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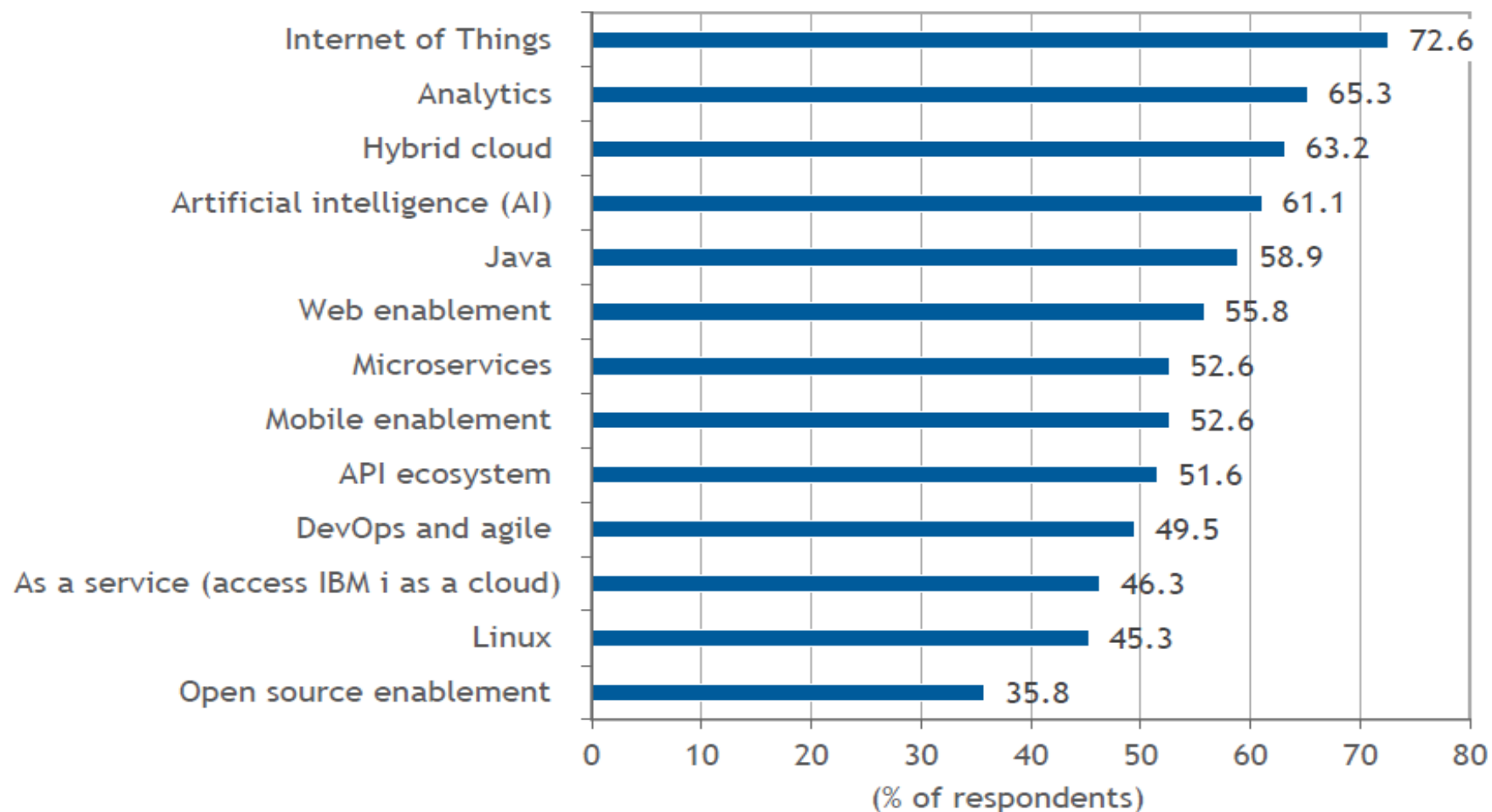
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- User Interface – natural starting point
- Database transformation – take advantage of the power of SQL & Query optimizer
 - Plus encryption, security, XML/JSON, built-in analytics and more
- Integrate cloud-based services – chat bots, AI, ML, weather, markets, ordering, payments, etc.
- Get real-time input from sensors and other Internet-of-Things (IOT) devices
- Guide robotic/automated manufacturing, distribution, warehouses, greenhouses, etc.
- Integrate with social/telco
- Make “services” out of core business logic for use by clients, partners & internal software
- And more ...

IDC – Modernization Initiatives on IBM i

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Source: IDC, 2020 <https://idcdocserv.com/US46775720>

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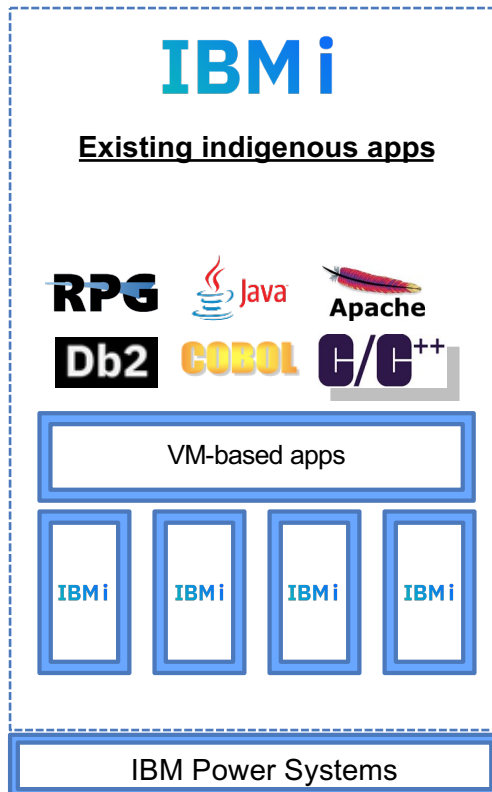
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“Cloud”-related modernization

Modernizing Adds Value to Existing Assets

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Modernizing **protects the value** created as the business solution evolved

- Business practices and processes
- Data model
- Competitive advantage
- Client, Partner, Supplier interactions

Modernizing **extends the value** by integrating new technology *with purpose*

- Customized user interface
- Services from other software
- Db2 definition leveraging SQL, Analytics, XML/JSON, Encryption
- Implementing Agile, CI/CD, DevOps
- Enabling new programmers & infrastructure engineers
- Creating opportunities for Opex within IT budgets

The IBM i Hybrid Application Development Strategy

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IBM i

World's Best RDBMS

COBOL+RPG

**Lowest cost of ownership
(TCO)**

**Reliability, securability,
efficiency**

Protection of investment



Open Source

Enterprise Ready

Microservices / APIs

DevOps

Internet of Things

Web Technologies

Pathway to Innovation

Focus: **Integration, integration, integration!!**

Continued investment in:

- Language (Python, Node.js, PHP) integration libraries
- Various Message Queueing technologies
- Integration with cognitive and quantum technologies
- Db2 enhancements
- Db2 connectivity (ODBC)

Many technologies available in RPM form
Many many more available from the
community

To learn about RPMs and get started, see
<http://ibm.biz/ibmi-rpms>



IBM i Strategy – Give Clients Choices

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- Goal:
- Code what needs to be coded using languages fit for the purpose
 - Integrate what needs to be integrated

Traditional Languages & Environments



IBM WebSphere®
Liberty

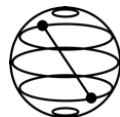
Open Source Language Runtimes



Tools

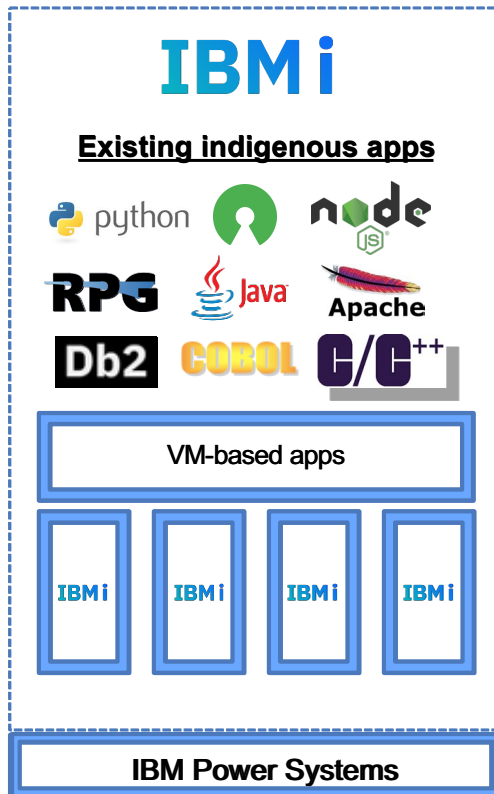


Open Frameworks



Modernization Often Starts on IBM i – with Modern Languages

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- Many options, and great value, from modern languages “running native”
- Open Source languages, frameworks and tools can easily be added
 - Allow new developers to “hit the ground running” with tech they know
 - Open languages frequently built for modern requirements
 - Mobile interfaces, services & microservices, analytics ...
 - Modern RPG easily learned by non-IBM i developers
 - ILE, free-format, not tied to 5250, using modern development tools

Projects start by adding incremental value, and adding more, quickly

- Many client stories, testimonials & descriptions of projects
- Help available from service, partners, community
- Code examples are plentiful

Many client stories with Traditional + Open

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*“The ability to run the latest **open source software** alongside unmodified code from the 1980s is surely unheard of on any other platform, and this **offers huge value** to our business in terms of **reducing both ongoing risk and costs in IT.**”*

<https://www.ibm.com/case-studies/cras-systems-open-source>



*“The fact that the platform supports **open source solutions** means that we can **leverage the very best technology** and benefit from the support and development of the open source community while **avoiding** inhibitive **licensing costs.**”*

<https://www.ibm.com/case-studies/fibrocit-systems-furniture-design>

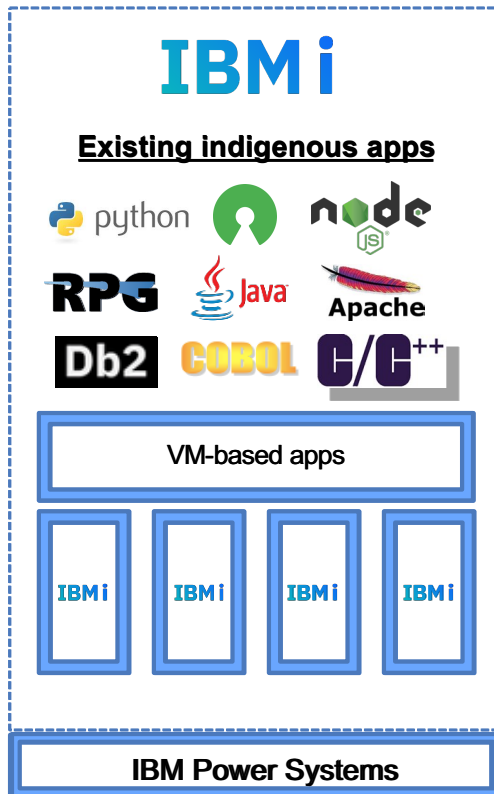


*“We can develop in C, PHP, Java – there’s now a full range of **open source software** on the platform that **meshes seamlessly with the core technologies** that we’ve been **running for decades.**”*

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The same techniques for modernizing natively can be used for modernizing for Cloud!

You and i – IBM i AND Cloud

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It's "IBM i **AND** the Cloud," not "IBM i **OR** the Cloud"

<https://community.ibm.com/community/user/power/blogs/steven-will1/2021/02/26/you-and-i-ibm-i-and-cloud>

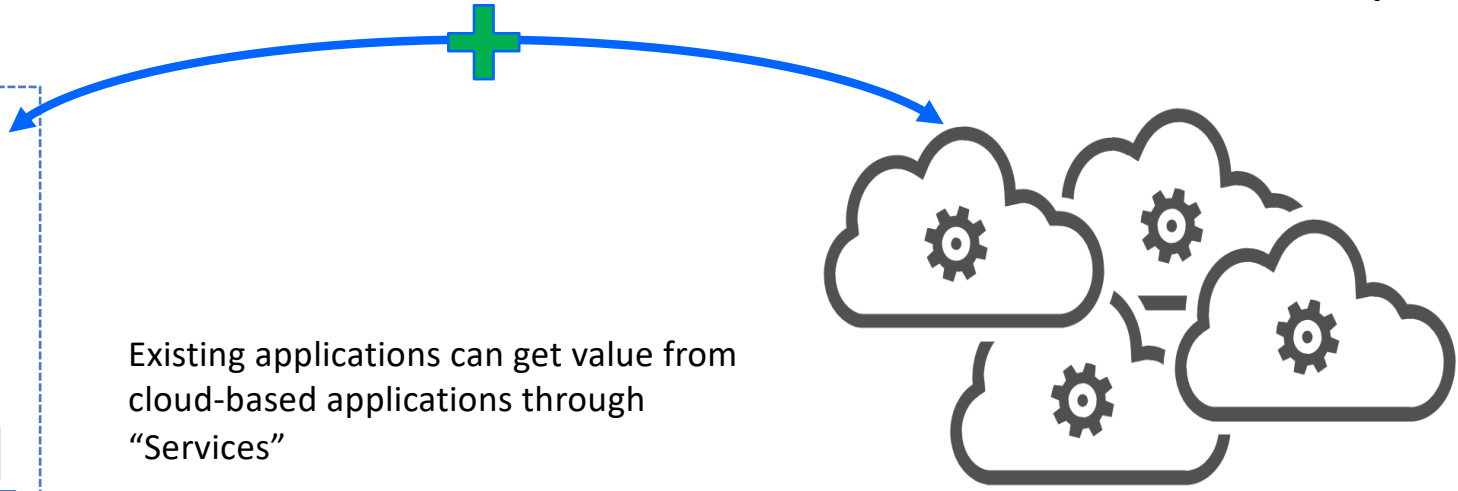
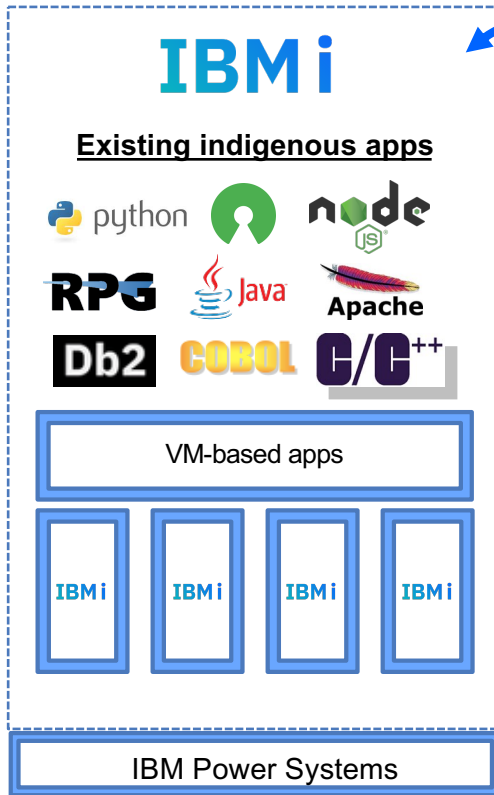
IBM i does “modern” on its own – and plays well with others

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- On IBM i: Db2, Modern RPG, Open Source allow native
 - Analytics with live data – with security
 - Modularity + easy transfer of knowledge to new programmers (Fresh Faces)
 - Integration of existing open source libraries for AI, Machine Learning, Data Streaming, etc.
- To achieve business value or strategy, production IBM i can integrate with
 - High-performance enterprise services on other platforms
 - Adjacent IBM i workloads on other systems
 - “Services” provided in the IT landscape
 - Public-cloud resources

Modernizing with Cloud Value - IBM i *and* Cloud

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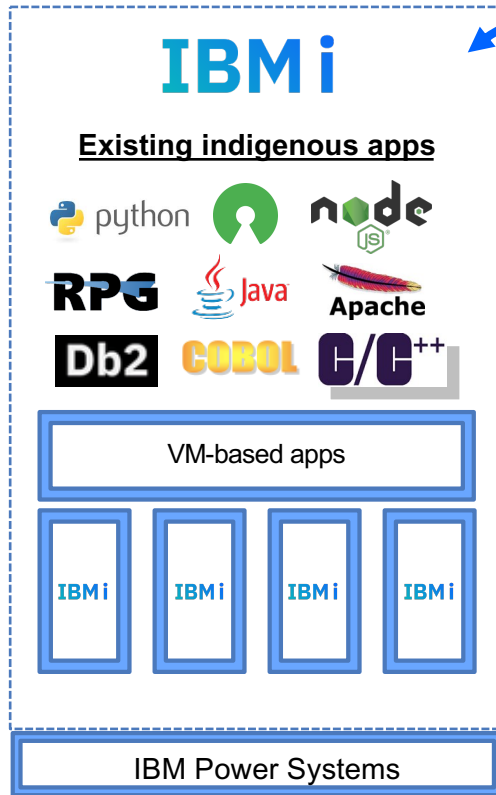
Existing applications can get value from cloud-based applications through "Services"

- Existing IBM i applications call services
- Refactored IBM i applications can provide services to others – easily, in a standard Restful way

The process of modernizing for services is very similar to modernizing for better UI

IBM i *and* Cloud – Modernizing to extend value, using Cloud

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The “Cloud” options on Power Systems allow container-based applications and native IBM i applications to provide value to one another.

- In the same data center, treated as a cloud
- Outside the data center, in a public or partner cloud
- In both places – a Hybrid cloud

IBM i Next Gen Applications

Modern IBM i applications are

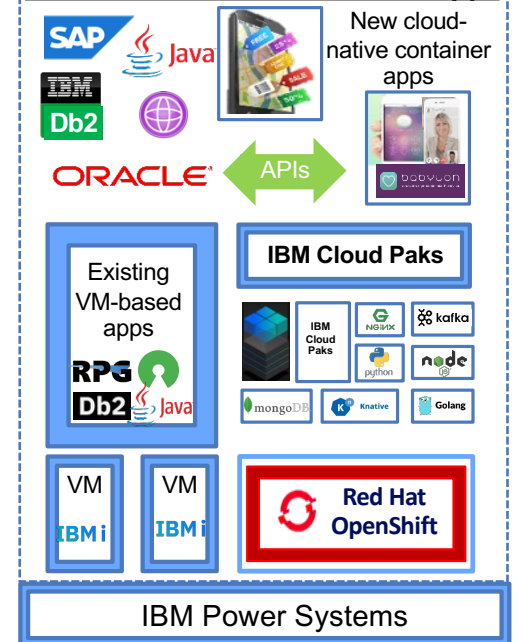
- Modular
- Agile/DevOps capable
- Robust/Highly Available

Clients have better results with modernization than re-platforming.



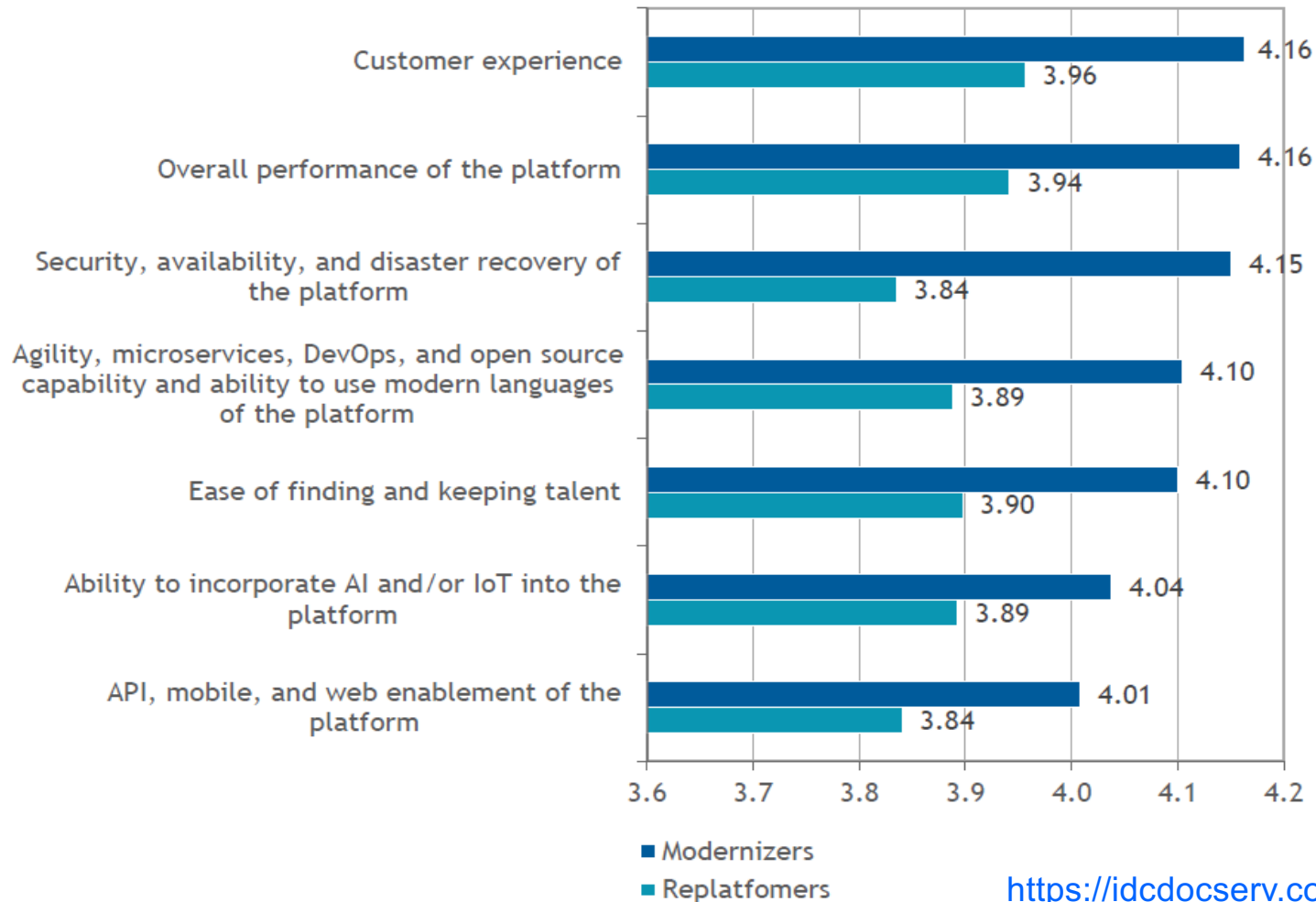
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Modernized container-based apps



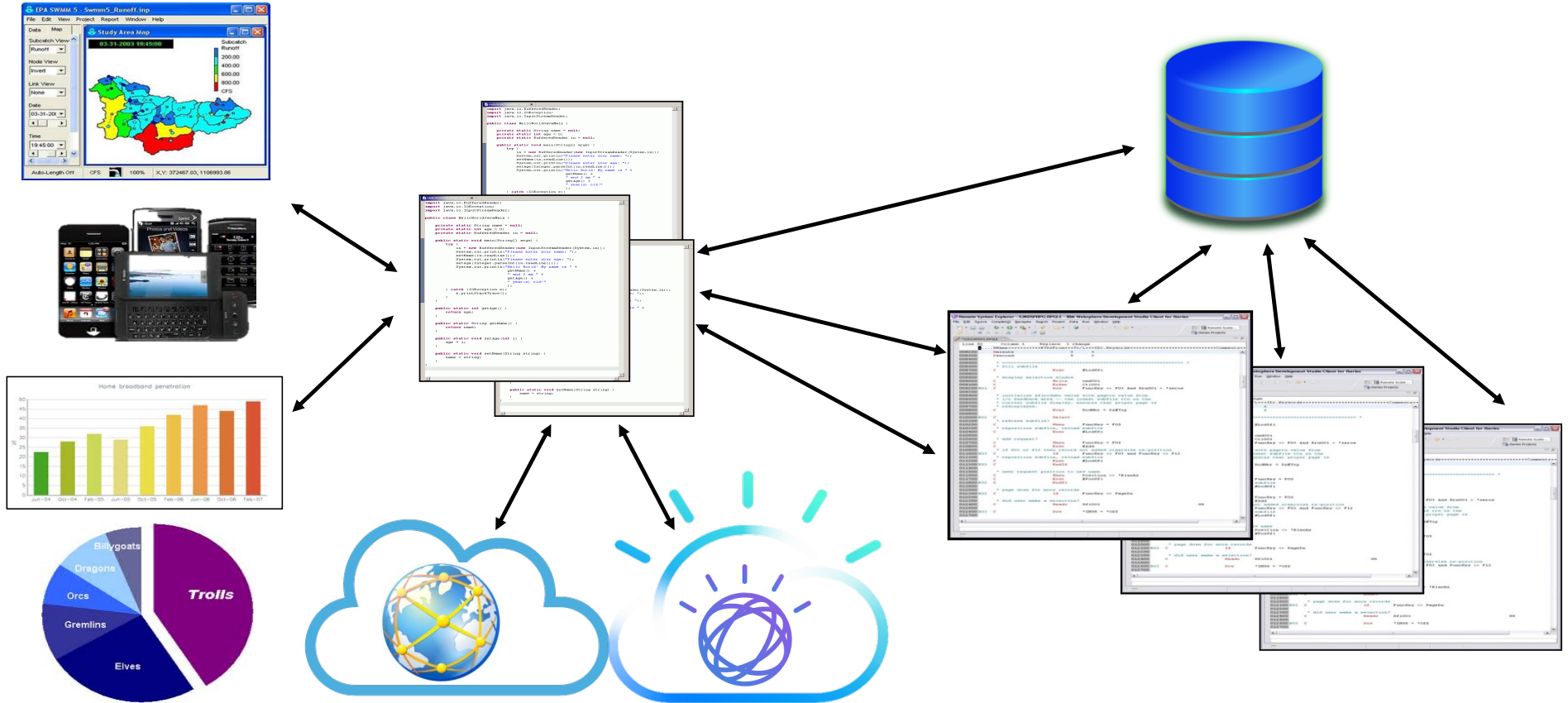
Satisfaction after Modernizing vs. Replatforming

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IBM i Next Generation Application Structure

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Existing modernization technology & steps

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STUD002  09/21/21  Service Address Inquiry  0/27/21
MORICKL  OPAD0V107  SERVICE ADDRESS INQUIRY  10/26/08

Option: AD10      Qualifier: 00000  ABBEY STREET
Service Address key 0045675  Street code 100  Status A
House Number      2  Street Name ABBEY STREET  Apt #
Service Address  2 ABBEY STREET
City, State, Zip  SAN FRANCISCO  CA 94114
Postal Carrier    00000  Old System # 00000000000000000000
Description
Units             1 Franchise Code SFO County Code SFO
Map Area         M15  Map Sub Area  000  Resource Parcel # 3566 029
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Garbage...       Earliest Arrival 0000  Latest Arrival 0000
Recycling...     Earliest Arrival 0000  Latest Arrival 0000
Organics...      Earliest Arrival 0000  Latest Arrival 0000
Defaults
Account Type #   Bill Cycle #13 Fran Schedule SFO Day 4 (MTWTFSS) ---T---
Route 094 Block 10 Stop 30
I=End/return  2=Search Scrn  9/21=Tickets
    
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Refactor – Extract Critical Business Logic with existing tool

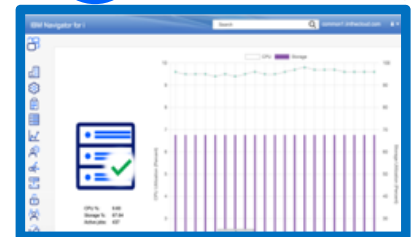
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RPG pgm
Main;
 Open Display File
 Open Database
 Read data
 Call Proc
 (Compute Ticket Price)
 Show Screen
 Listen for Action
 Buy Ticket
 End PGM;

Proc;
 Compute Ticket Price
 - calculate
 - factor class
 - factor # tickets
 - factor in Tax
 End Proc

2
 Make it into a cloud-ready Rest service with existing IWS
 Rest API Engine

3
 Cloud Applications Access Key Business Logic and Data via Rest



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Application Modernization Patterns/Aspects

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Discover apps



Expose with APIs & Services



Enterprise DevOps



Extend existing apps



Refactor and Locate near the data



Exploit data streaming

What About IBM i Running in the
Cloud?

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IBM i has been offered in “Clouds” for years ...

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Public Cloud Use Cases from IBM i Community



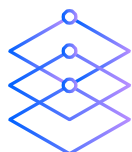
ISV expansion with Public Cloud

With the help of the public Cloud, ISVs can expand the footprint of their products globally with shorter time to value using Power Infrastructure in the Cloud.



Test AIX and IBM i in the Public Cloud

A separate but secure sandbox environment for Power users and ISVs to test their own AIX or IBM i workloads, try out new OS versions operating systems or the latest hardware available.



Run enterprise Power workloads in the Cloud

AIX and IBM i applications are no longer restricted to on-premise. Help clients build out a hybrid cloud environment with the ability to host their AIX and IBM i based mission-critical ISV apps in the public Cloud.



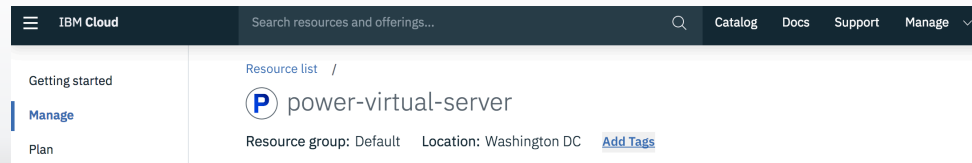
Disaster Recovery without double commitment

Currently, AIX and IBM i clients need to build out their own datacenter to ensure DR. Now, with the Cloud, they get those options at a more affordable cost.

Infrastructure as a Service Model

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Customer Portal



Customer/BP/MSP/GTS
Managed



PTFs
Upgrades
Backups
DR/HA

IBM
Managed



Power Systems and Storage



IBM Power Virtual Server DC Rollout Target

(as of 1/27/21, updated twice monthly)

DAL13 Expand

● October-Present



WDC04 Expand*

● Target Q1 2021



OSA21

● Target March 2021



MON01

● Target Q1 2021



SYD05

● Target Q2'21



SA004

● Target TBD



*As part of this expansion, 980s will be available for HANA

Due to Covid-19's impact on travel, supply chain and onsite resource restriction, the target dates remain fluid and could move in either direction as mitigations are worked and regulations are adjusted.

GA Centers

FRA04 TOR01
 FRA05 WDC04* SYD04
 LON06 LON04 DAL12
 DAL13* TOK04 SAO01*

*New/Expansion



● In Deployment, good confidence



● DC setup, HW ordering, fair confidence



● Architecting and Planning, target only



Power Systems in IBM Cloud

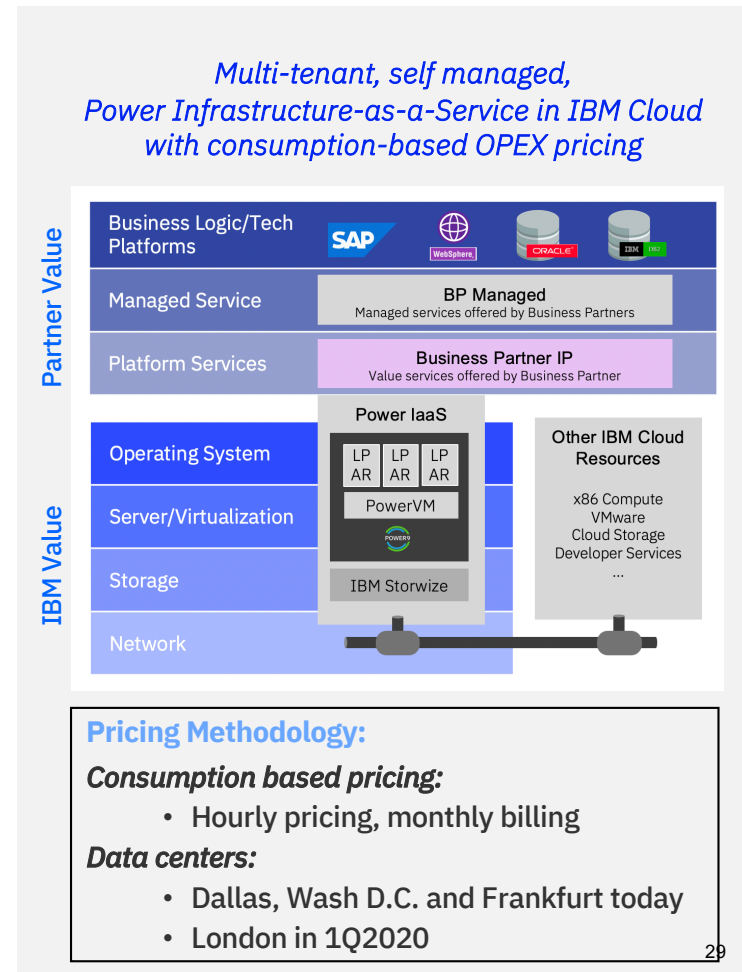
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IBM Power Systems Virtual Server on IBM Cloud

- Self-provision and purchase monthly subscription virtual machines from IBM Cloud
- Self-service VM management of pool of compute, memory, storage & network infrastructure
- Secure access to PowerVM-based LPARs through client-owned IBM Cloud resources
- IBM manages IaaS resources and supports everything up to the operating system (OS)
- Client self-manages the OS and all software installed atop the OS
- Client can bring their own OS images and add to IBM-provided OS images
- Client can bring their own software for ISVs who support BYOL for public cloud

Power IaaS Details:

Systems:	S922, E880 or E980 (Frankfurt)
Compute:	0.25-143 cores (15 for S922, 143 for E880/980), <i>Dedicated or Shared option for Cores</i>
Memory:	8-64 GB per core
Storage Type:	Type: Tier 3 or Tier 1
Storage Quantity	10 GB minimum, 10 GB increments
Network:	Public and/or Private IP
OS:	AIX / IBM i



Integrated into the IBM Cloud Catalog

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The screenshot displays the IBM Cloud Catalog interface. On the left is a vertical navigation sidebar with icons for various services. The main content area is titled 'Compute' and lists several service cards. A blue double-line oval highlights the 'Power Systems Virtual Server' card. At the top right, there is a search bar and a 'Filter' button.

Search: Search the catalog... **Filter**

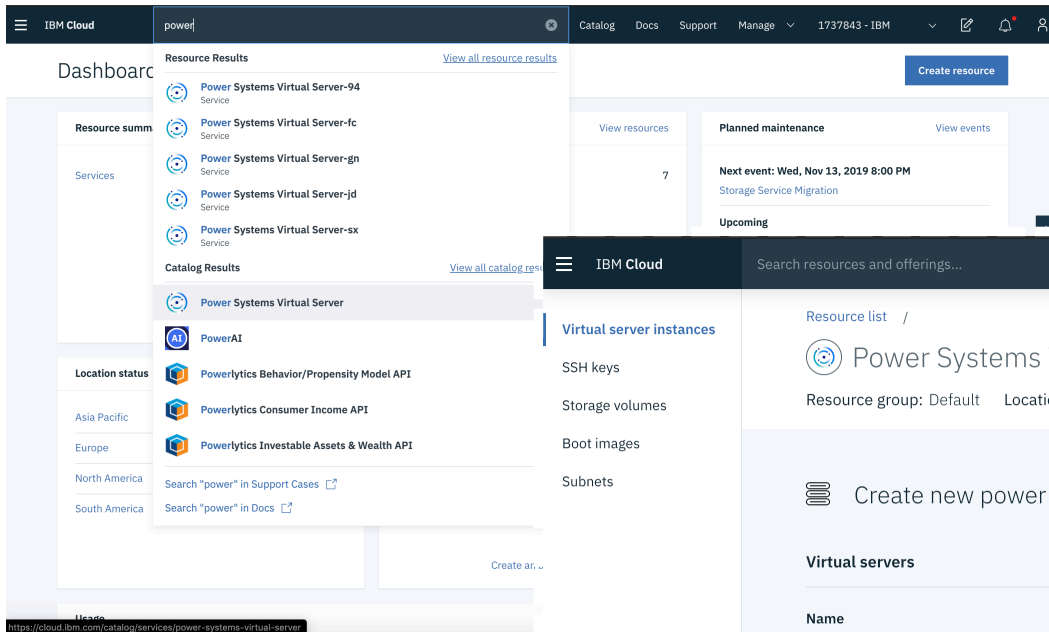
Categories: All Categories >

- VPC Infrastructure
- Compute
- Containers
- Networking
- Storage
- AI
- Analytics
- Databases
- Developer Tools
- Integration
- Internet of Things
- Security and Identity
- Starter Kits
- Content Marketplace
- Web and Mobile
- Web and Application
- Platform Services

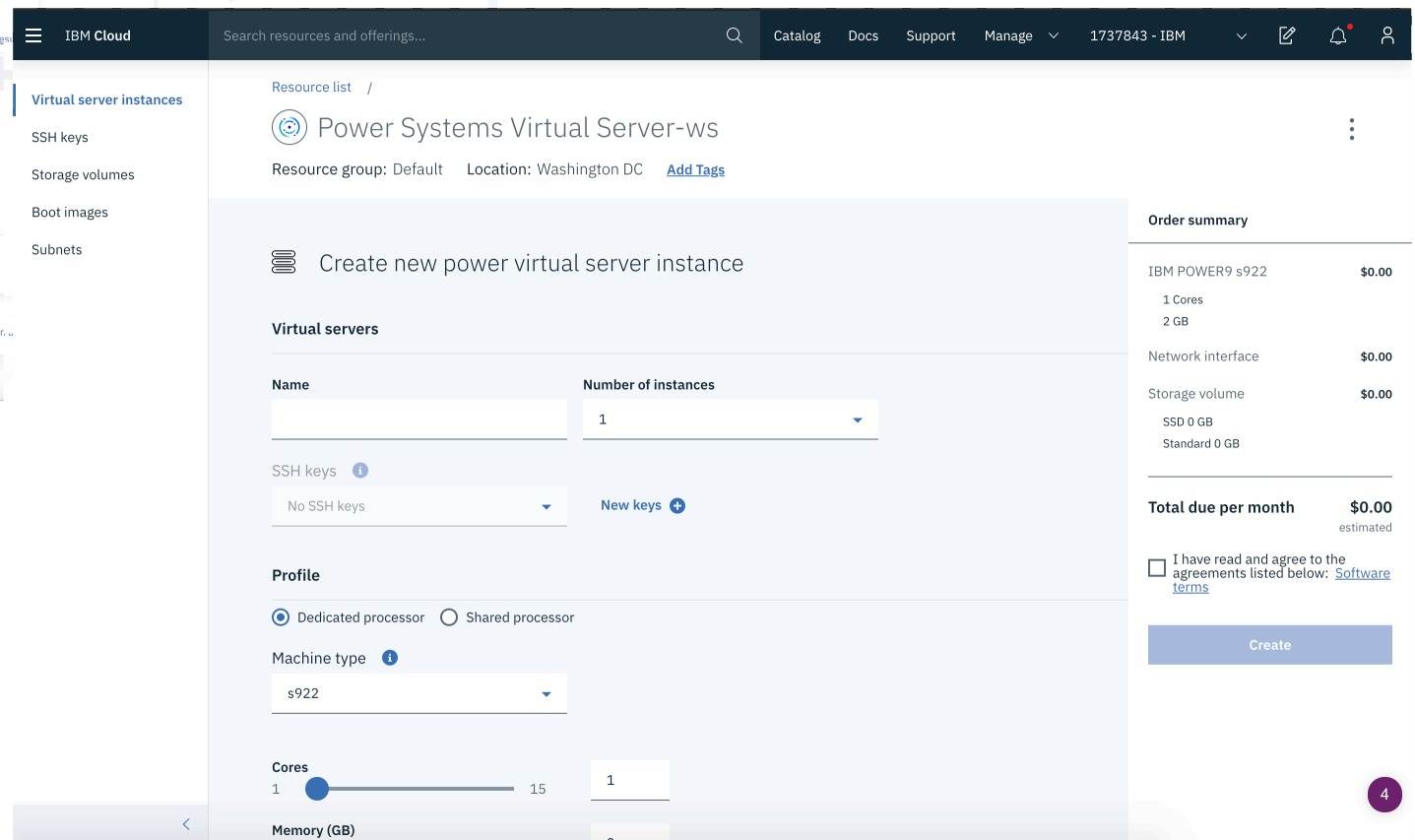
Compute

Infrastructure

- Kubernetes Service**
IBM • IAM-enabled
Deploy secure, highly available apps in a native Kubernetes experience.
- Bare Metal Server**
IBM
Bare metal servers provide the raw horsepower you demand for your processor-intensive and disk I/O-intensive workloads. These servers come wit...
- Cloud Foundry Enterprise Environment**
IBM • IAM-enabled
Isolated enterprise-grade Cloud Foundry environment as a service.
- OSNEXUS Software Defined Storage**
IBM
Build your own SAN/NAS environments with the capacity you need and the performance you crave
- Power Systems Virtual Server**
IBM • IAM-enabled
Power Systems Virtual Server instances deliver flexible compute capacity built upon the advanced RAS features and leading performance of the...
- Virtual Server**
IBM • IAM-enabled
Virtual servers deliver a higher degree of transparency, predictability, and automation for all workload types. Virtual servers are guaranteed n...
- WebSphere Application Server**
IBM
Allows you to quickly get up and running on a pre-configured WebSphere Application Server installation in a hosted cloud environment in IBM...



Access the offering from the IBM Cloud Portal cloud.ibm.com and search for Power. **IBM i Anywhere**
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- Create a resource group in your desired region.
- Customize the LPAR with the amount of cores, memory, storage, and operating system.
- Provision in moments.

Recent Features Added to PowerVS

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The screenshot displays the IBM i Operations console interface. At the top, the 'System Reference Code' section shows the SRC '00000000'. Below this, the 'Operations' panel is active, displaying a warning: 'The following actions are advanced actions which may have a critical impact on your service. Only one operation may be run at a time, [learn more](#).' The actions are categorized into 'Job operations' and 'Boot operations'. The 'Job operations' list includes: (21) Activate dedicated service tools (selected), (34) Retry Dump, (66) Enable remote service, (67) Disk unit IOP reset / reload, (70) IOP Control storage dump, and (22) Dump restart. The 'Boot operations' section is currently empty. At the bottom of the panel, there are 'Cancel' and 'Run action' buttons.

SRCs and Panel Functions

IBM i Compute Considerations

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E880 or E980 is a P30 SW tier

S922 is a P10 SW tier

Choose your machine type, processor, memory and cores.

Machine type

- e980
- ✓ s922

Processor

Dedicated Shared uncapped Shared capped

Memory (GB)

2

Cores (CPUs)

1.25

IBM i Shared Uncapped Processors

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CPU shows entitlement

For IBM i, the VCPU # is rounded up

– In this example the VCPU quantity would be 2

IBM i has a limit of 4 VCPU/4 cores of entitlement on the S922 per VM

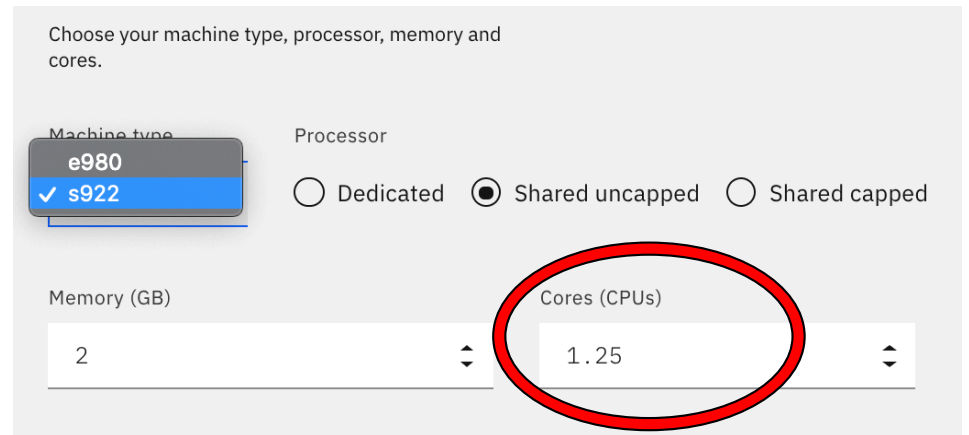
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Machine type
e980
✓ s922

Processor
 Dedicated Shared uncapped Shared capped

Memory (GB)
2

Cores (CPUs)
1.25



IBM i Software available

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3 4 'Stock' images available get copied to your account as boot volumes

- IBM i 7.1
- IBM i 7.2
- IBM i 7.3
- IBM i 7.4

Additional LPP are available to added on at create time or dynamically added later.

- 5770-HAS and 5733-ICC are per .25 core priced
- 5770-WDS is user based
- All software is relative to this one VM
- Db2 Web Query for i (5733-WQX)

SWMA included in the price of the software

The screenshot shows a configuration interface for IBM i software. It includes a dropdown menu for 'Operating system' set to 'IBM i', a section for 'IBM i Licenses' with checkboxes for 'IBM i Cloud Storage Solution', 'IBM i Power HA', and 'Rational Dev Studio for IBM i' (which is checked), and a text input field for 'Number of users (RDS Only)' containing the value '5'. An 'Image' dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Select an image', 'IBMi-72-09-003', 'IBMi-73-07-001', and 'IBMi-74-01-001'. The 'Select an image' option is highlighted with a blue bar.

Db2 Web Query for i now in the PowerVS Offering

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Boot image
Select from AIX, IBM i, or Linux boot images. If you are deploying a Linux virtual machine (VM), you must first purchase a subscription, then register it and register with your Linux vendor after deployment. Learn more about [purchasing and subscribing to Linux](#)

Operating system: **IBM i**

Storage type ⓘ: **Tier 1**

Image: **IBMi-74-01-001**

IBM i Licenses

- IBM i Cloud Storage Solution
- IBM Db2 Web Query for i**
- IBM i Power HA
- Rational Dev Studio for IBM i

Profile
Choose your machine type, processor, memory and cores.

Machine type: **s922**

Processor

Summary USD

1	IBM POWER9 s922 1 cores 2 GB IBM i	\$1,893.62
	Network interface	\$0.00
	Storage volume 80 GB	\$16.80
	Software Licenses IBM Db2 Web Query for i	\$1,284.00
	Total monthly cost*	\$3,194.42 <i>estimated</i>

I agree to the [Terms and conditions](#)

Cancel Create instance

Base IBM i and LPP Package Software

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•5770-SS1 IBM i OS – processor and includes unlimited users

- 5770-DG1: HTTP Server for i
- 5770-JV1: Developer Kit for Java
- 5770-NAE: Network Authentication Enablement for i
- 5733-SC1: Portable Utilities for i
- 5770-TC1: TCP/IP
- 5770-TS1: Transform Services for i
- 5770-UME: Universal Manageability Enablement for i
- 5770-XE1: IBM i Access for Windows
- Zend
- 5733-ARE: IBM Administration Runtime Expert
- 5798-FAX: IBM Facsimile Support for i
- 5770-SM1: IBM System Manager for i
- 5770-DFH: IBM CICS Transaction Server for i
- 5770-MG1: IBM Managed System Services for i
- 5770-SS1: IBM i Option 23, OptiConnect
- 5770-SS1 : IBM i Option 44, Encrypted Backup Enablement
- 5770-SS1 : IBM i Option 45, Encrypted ASP Enablement
- 5770-SS1 IBM i Option 18 Media & Storage Extensions
- 5770-SS1 IBM i Option 26 DB2 Symmetric Multiprocessing
- 5770-SS1 IBM i Option 27 DB2 Multisystem
- 5770-SS1 IBM i Option 38 PSF for IBM i Any Speed Printer Support
- 5770-SS1 IBM i Option 41 HA Switchable Resources
- 5770-SS1 IBM i Option 42 HA Journal Performance
- 5770-AF1: Advanced Function Printing for i (refer to Q&A)
- 5761-AMT: Rational Application Management Toolset
- 5770-AP1: Advanced DBCS Printer Support
- 5733-B45: AFP Font Collection for i
- 5770-BR1: Backup, Recovery and Media Services
- 5761-DB1: System/38 Utilities
- 5761-CM1: Communications Utilities
- 5761-DS2: Business Graphics Utility
- 5648-E77: InfoPrint Fonts
- 5769-FN1: AFP DBCS Fonts
- 5769-FNT: AFP Fonts
- 5722-IP1: InfoPrint Server for i
- 5770-JS1: Advanced Job Scheduler for i
- 5770-PT1: Performance Tools
- 5770-QU1: Query for i
- 5770-ST1: DB2 Query Manager and SQL Dev Kit for i
- 5733-XT2: XML Toolkit
- 5770-XW1: IBM i Access Family - unlimited users included

Movable IBM i is available in Power VS

IBM i Anywhere
IBM i Everywhere

- What is Movable IBM i (IBM i MOL)?
 - To protect client investment in IBM i entitlements, IBM i MOL allows clients to move existing on-prem entitlements to Power VS instead of purchasing new entitlements
 - Applicable to customers who have valid IBM i entitlements with active SWMA
 - P10 and P30 IBM i OS and base LPP are available as target environments for IBM i MOL (add-on LPPs are excluded)
 - Pricing estimates: Seismic Power VS Pricing Estimator
- When is IBM i MOL Available?
 - Nov. 12, 2020
- What is the value to the customer?
 - Protect client's investment in on-prem IBM i entitlements when moving to Power VS
 - Lower IBM i subscription fee as opposed to purchasing new IBM i subscription in Power VS

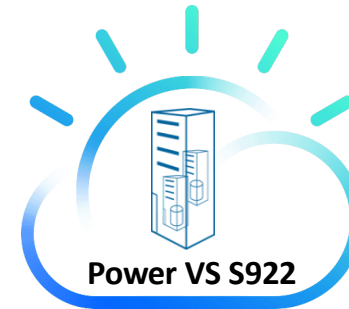
“Movable IBM i” solution (Using IBM i SW P10 tier as example)

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On-prem client entitlement:

- IBM i OS
- Base LPPs



- Client has existing perpetual entitlements on-prem
- (with active SWMA)
- Customer wishes to move IBM i workload to Power VS
- Client stops using identified IBM i entitlements on-prem
- Client stops paying SWMA on-prem



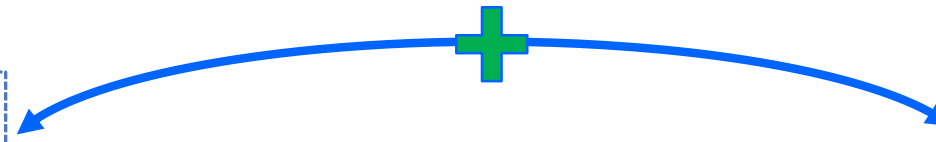
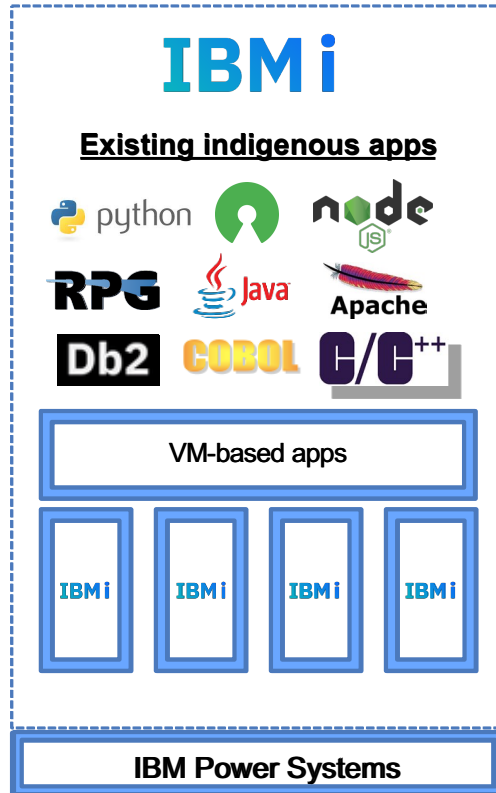
Movable IBM i (Nov 12, 2020)

- Contract signed
- # entitlements to be moved

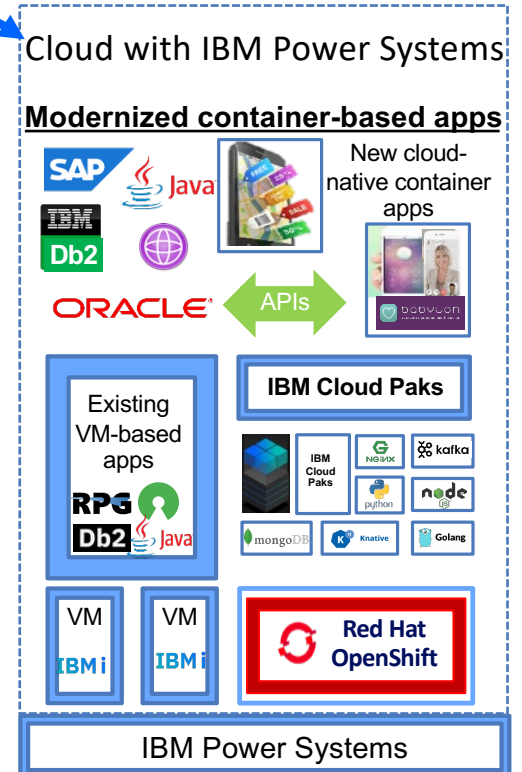
- Using Movable IBM i
- (P10 software tier as example)
- Client acquires entitlements on Power VS at reduced price
- IBM i Subscription/ core/ month
 - IBM i + Base LPPs + SWMA = \$616/month/core
- Need more capacity?
 - IBM i Subscription/ core/ month
 - (Software tier P10 as example)
 - IBM i + Base LPPs + SWMA = \$1400/core/month

IBM i and Cloud

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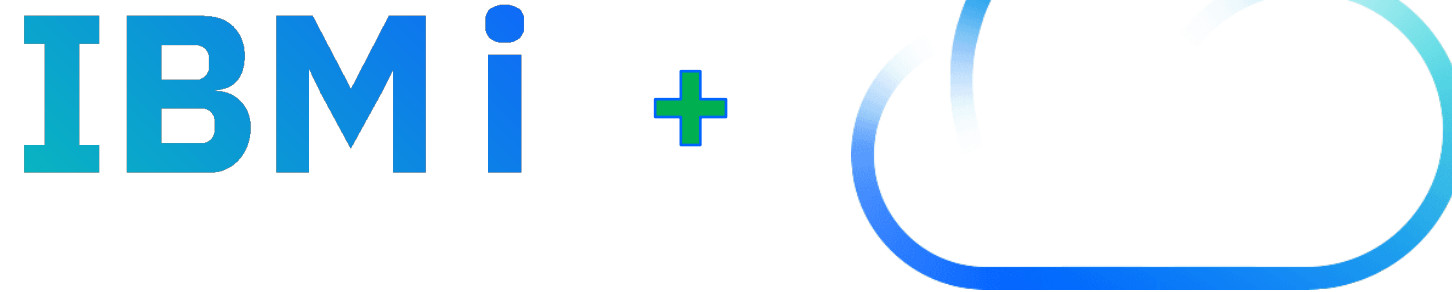
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ID Logistics – France – IBM i in the IBM Cloud



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It's "IBM i **AND** the Cloud," not "IBM i **OR** the Cloud"

