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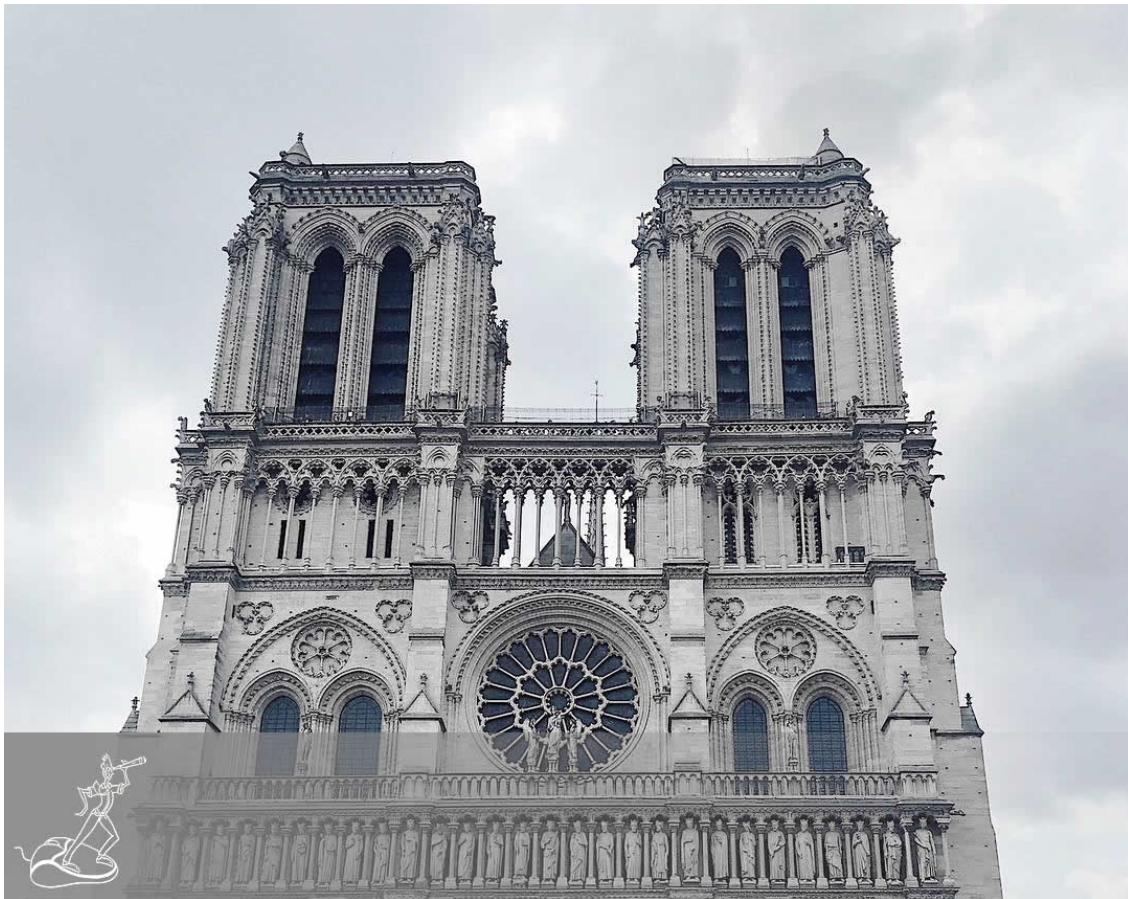
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GUESS WHERE I AM !

Every month we will invite Newsletter readers to guess in which part of the world is the EPV explorer. The editorial staff will collect the results and at the end of the year we will send a symbolic prize to the participant with the highest number of correct answers. In case of a tie the winner will be chosen by drawing.

The real prize is that he will also decide the NGO EPV Technologies will donate 1.000,00 Euro to, choosing from: MSF (www.medicisenzafrontiere.it), TDH (www.terredeshommes.it) and WWF (www.wwf.it).

The solution of September is

Piazza del Plebiscito - Naples

Tech-papers

z14 Capacity Planning - Part 2

On July 17th IBM announced its new generation of the mainframe. The new system is simply called IBM z14 while the family model is 3906.

Experienced capacity planners know that every new generation of machines provides a major challenge to their skills. They also know that their best friends are the IBM LSPR benchmarks, the IBM zPCR tool, the Measurement Facility counters provided in SMF 113 and an up to date performance database.

In the first part of this paper we'll have a first look at the most important capacity

characteristics of the IBM z14. Starting from the IBM LSPR benchmarks we'll then estimate the MIPS capacity of each IBM z14 processor model.

Finally we will compare z14 single CP capacity and workload variability with previous machine generations.

In the second part we'll compare z13 and z14 processor cache architecture. Then we'll analyse in more detail the new z14 Measurement Facility extended counters provided in SMF 113, using them to calculate the RNI index.

If you want to receive the paper you can reply to this e-mail writing "z14 Capacity Planning - Part 2" in the subject

Tech-news

GSE UK 2017

The annual GSE UK technical conference will be held at Whittlebury Hall Hotel in Whittlebury, Towchester on November 7th and 8th 2017.

EPV will give the following presentation: "zIIP and Memory the two Pillars of z/OS Cost Reduction"

More details at:

<http://conferences.gse.org.uk/2017/agenda>

Tech-notes

EPV User Group 2017 report

On October 25th we held the 15th edition of the International EPV User Group. This year we had more than 50 participants representing 8 different Countries.

The agenda included:

- 6 user's papers, from Belgium, Germany and Italy;
- some EPV presentations to show the direction of development in different EPV products;
- an EPV technical paper focused on the news in the z/OS arena and on the IBM strategy.

The general comment was that it is very interesting to see what others do, because you see things through a different perspective and come back to work with ideas and suggestions.

Overall, as usual, an excellent feedback.

EPV customers interested in the presentations can simply reply to this Newsletter asking for them.

See you next year!

Tech-support

Secure FTP site

A new SFTP site is available for EPV customer when they need to exchange files with EPV Technical Support.

Customers who wants to use this new sites have to write to epv.support@epvtech.com to get their credentials.

RECIPES



Cannelloni zucca e ricotta

Ingredients

200 g Fresh Egg Pasta
1 leek
200 g pumpkin
1 celery
1 carrot
2 amaretti biscuits
400 g ricotta cheese
60 g butter
100 g di parmesan cheese
nutmeg

Method

Cut all the vegetables into small pieces. Let them simmer in a saucepan with olive oil for 5 minutes, then melt with hot water and continue cooking by stirring occasionally until the liquids that have been created are dried. Apply salt and

pepper

Blend 3/4 of vegetables with the amaretti and the nutmeg using a mixer and diluting with an oil drop until you get a dense cream. Hold aside.

In a bowl, melt the ricotta cheese in a homogenous cream using a spatula or spoon. Transfer it within a pastry bag.

Bake the rectangles of pasta in salted water. Drain them on a kitchen towel. Place a strip of ricotta on each rectangle of pasta, one of pumpkin cream and grated Parmesan cheese in quantity as desired.

Roll the pasta tightly to form the cannelloni and place them side by side in a well-buttered pan.

Sprinkle the surface of the cannelloni with the remaining pumpkin cream, the cooked vegetables aside, the butter's flakes and grated parmesan cheese.

Cook in the oven already warm at 200° for 15 minutes. Bring out and serve the pumpkin and ricotta cannelloni immediately

QUOTES



“If I know a song of Africa, of the giraffe and the African new moon lying on her back, of the plows in the fields and the sweaty faces of the coffee pickers, does Africa know a song of me? Will the air over the plain quiver with a color that I have had on, or the children invent a game in which my name is, or the full moon throw a shadow over the gravel of the drive that was like me, or will the eagles of the Ngong Hills look out for me?”

Out of Africa



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