An affordable single-socket, quad-core server with high performance and data protection for small, medium, and large businesses

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IBM System x3200 M3

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		Suggested uses: Small and medium businesses, distributed large enterprises, retail, banking, and insurance companies seeking scalability, top performance, and enterprise-class availability features at an entry-level price.
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x3200 M3 Images	10	you need to match your business needs and growth. If cost is your primary concern, the x3200 M3 offers a model using the affordable dual-core Celeron processor with 2MB of L3 cache. In between, there are
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Server Comparison Char	t 15	extensions (EM64T), and multithreading, to provide the computing power you need to match your business needs and growth. In addition, the x3200 M3 uses industry-standard 1066/1333MHz DDR3
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		For additional performance and high availability, the x3200 M3 offers integrated hardware RAID-0/1 support standard in the <i>hot-swap</i> SAS/SATA models (optional for <i>simple-swap</i> SATA models), and optional RAID-10/5/6 . To meet your backup requirements, the x3200 M3 supports a choice of half-high tape drives , an optical drive, or an IBM RDX Removable Hard Disk Storage System . The server ships as a tower unit; an optional rack conversion kit turns the x3200 M3 hot-swap models into a 5U rack-mounted server to save precious data center floor space.
		Standard in the x3200 M3 is the Integrated Management Module (IMM) that enables the user to manage and control the server easily—both locally and remotely. The IMM offers a high level of manageability that is designed to keep costs down and the system up—even when network usage increases. These advanced features help maximize network availability by increasing uptime, as do hot-swap and simple-swap SATA HDDs ; hot-swap/redundant SAS HDDs, redundant ultra-efficient power supplies; integrated RAID; redundant power ³ ; IPMI 2.0 support, including highly secure remote power control and Serial over LAN; as well as text-console redirect over LAN.
		Another improvement with the new generation of X-Architecture is the replacement of legacy BIOS with a new generation United Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI). UEFI provides a more intuitive user interface and understandable event logs and better management.
		With the inclusion of unique IBM service and support features such as the IMM, IBM Systems Director , IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager [™] , IBM ServerGuide [™] and support for the optional Virtual Media Key for remote presence capability, the x3200 M3 is designed for superior uptime.
		For a balance of high-performance processing, high availability and vast internal storage at a budget price, the x3200 M3 is the ideal system.

¹ Using RDIMMS.

² GB equals 1,000,000,000 bytes and TB equals 1,000,000,000 bytes when referring to hard disk drive capacity. Accessible capacity may be less. ³ A second high-efficiency redundant 430W power supply is available for the x3200 M3. (Model dependant or via CTO.)

Selling Features	Price/Performance									
	The x3200 M3 offers numerous features to boost performance and reduce product and operating cost									
	 Models with a quad-core Xeon processor, high-end 1333MHz memory access, and 8MB of L3 cache, offer peak performance, capable of tackling the toughest jobs. 									
	 Models containing a high-performance dual-core Core i3 processor, with high-end 1333MHz memory access and 4MB of L3 cache, offer superior performance at an aggressive price. 									
	 Models containing a dual-core Celeron or Pentium processor with speedy 1066MHz memory access, for those on a budget. 									
	Ultra-fast 1333MHz or 1066MHz DDR3 ECC memory offers high speed and high availability.									
	 High-speed PCIe adapter slots offers investment protection by supporting high-performance adapters, such as Ethernet, Fibre Channel and InfiniBand cards, none of which will run in older legacy PCI slots. 									
	 Integrated hardware RAID-0/1 support (standard in hot-swap models; optional in simple-swap models) doesn't consume a valuable adapter slot. RAID-0 offers improved disk performance via da striping and RAID-1 offers disk mirroring for high availability. 									
	 Gen 2 HDD cage support for up to four hot-swap 3.5-inch SAS or SATA hard disk drives or up to eight hot-swap 2.5-inch SAS HDDs (CTO/special bid), offers high-performance and large capaci with high availability. The SAS/SATA controller provides full-duplex (2 x 300MBps) data transfers SAS drives. For lower cost with high capacity, other models support up to four simple-swap SAT, drives. 									
	The integrated dual-port Gigabit Ethernet controller provides high-speed network communication									
	A high degree of device integration, including SAS/SATA, RAID-0/1/1E, Gigabit Ethernet, IMM systems management, and video controllers, lowers costs and frees up valuable adapter slots.									
	Flexibility									
	The x3200 M3 has the ability to grow with your application requirements, thanks to:									
	 A choice of one quad-core Xeon processor with 2.4 to 2.93GHz clock rate, 8MB of L3 cache, and to 1333MHz memory access, or a dual-core Celeron, Pentium or Core i3 processor with a 2.26 3.06GHz clock rate, 2MB to 4MB of L3 cache, and 1066MHz or 1333MHz memory access. 									
	 A choice of 73W dual-core or 95W quad-core processors. 									
	 Up to 32GB of high-speed DDR3 system memory. 									
	 Five available adapter slots: two PCle x8, two PCle x4 (one PCle slot is reserved for a ServeRAI controller) and two legacy PCl (32-bit, 33MHz) slots in all models. 									
	 The seven USB 2.0 ports (two front, four rear, one internal) are up to 40X faster⁴ than older USB ports. This provides speedy access to external HDDs (non-arrayed), optical drives, tape drives, ar other USB devices. The internal port can be used for an optional tape drive, disk cartridge backup device or USB key with embedded hypervisor. 									
	 Up to four internal 3.5-inch simple-swap SATA or hot-swap SAS or SATA HDDs or eight 2.5- inch hot-swap SAS HDDs (by special bid only), can be installed. This provides tremendous inter- storage capability, along with full data backup. 									
	 Alternatively, iSCSI or Fibre Channel-attached storage can be attached using IBM System Storage servers. 									
	Manageability									
	Powerful systems management features simplify local and remote management of the x3200 M3:									
	• The x3200 M3 includes an Integrated Management Module (IMM) to monitor server availability, perform Predictive Failure Analysis, etc., and trigger IBM Systems Director alerts. The IMM performs the functions of both the mini Baseboard Management Controller (mBMC) of earlier systems and the Remote Supervisor Adapter II and is upgradeable to remote presence/cKVM .									
	 An optional Virtual Media Key provides additional systems management capabilities, including Wey based out-of-band control; virtual floppy and optical drive support; Windows "blue screen" error capture; LDAP and SSL support; and remote redirection of PCI video, text, keyboard and mouse (cKVM). And it does all this without consuming a valuable adapter slot. 									
	 Integrated industry-standard Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) next-generation BI New capabilities include: 									
	 Human readable event logs – no more beep codes 									
	 Complete setup solution by allowing adapter configuration function to be moved into UEFI 									

⁴ Data transfer rates may be less than the maximum possible.

- Integrated IPMI 2.0 support alerts IBM Systems Director to anomalous environmental factors, such as voltage and thermal conditions. It also supports highly secure remote power control using data encryption.
- Text Console Redirection support allows the administrator to remotely view x3200 M3 text messages over Serial or LAN.
- The completely redesigned IBM Systems Director is included for proactive systems management. IBM Systems Director comes with a portfolio of tools, including IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager[™], Service and Support Manager, and others. In addition, IBM Systems Director offers extended systems management tools for additional server management and increased availability. When a problem is encountered, IBM Systems Director can issue administrator alerts via e-mail, pager, and other methods.
- IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager™, an IBM-exclusive, is designed to take advantage
 of new system power management features, by providing actual realtime energy monitoring and
 reporting features. The optional (CTO/special bid) 431W hot-swap power supply is AEM-supported.
- The x3200 M3 optionally supports remote presence/concurrent KVM (cKVM) and concurrent media (cMedia) access by multiple administrators at once, via the IMM. This feature requires an upgrade, via the Virtual Media Key.
- Trusted Platform Module (TPM) 1.2 support.

Availability and Serviceability

The x3200 M3 provides many features to simplify serviceability and increase system uptime:

- Toolless cover removal provides easy access to upgrades and serviceable parts. Similarly, the Virtual Media Key and the ServeRAID-BR10il controller can be installed and replaced without tools. This means less time (and therefore less money) spent servicing the x3200 M3. Similarly, hotswap/redundant HDDs, fan modules and power supplies, as well as online mirrored memory, mean greater system uptime while these components are being serviced.
- A lighted LED beside each DIMM slot indicates a working DIMM. When a DIMM fails, the LED goes out. This.quickly leads the technician to the failed DIMM and simplifies servicing, speeds up problem resolution and helps increase server availability.
- Integrated RAID-1/1E disk mirroring standard in hot-swap models enable the server to keep
 operating in the event of a failure to any one drive. (RAID-1E, an IBM exclusive, supports mirroring of
 an odd number of drives.)
- IPMI 2.0 supports highly secure remote system power control using data encryption. This allows an administrator to restart a server without having to visit it in person, saving travel time and getting the server back up and running quickly and securely. It also adds new features to those provided by IPMI 1.5, including VLAN support, Serial over LAN, enhanced authentication and encryption algorithms (RMCP+, AES) and a firmware firewall.
- The three-year (parts and labor) limited onsite warranty⁵ offered on selected models (Machine Type 7328) offers peace of mind and greater investment protection than a one-year warranty does.

Key Features

Multicore Intel Processors

The x3200 M3 supports one of the latest **Intel Xeon 3400 Series** processors, allowing you to choose the most appropriate processor for your business needs. The x3200 M3 offers a choice of processor clock rates, memory access speeds and power draws:

- 95W quad-core Xeon processor models X3430, X3440, X3450, X3460, or X3470* running at 2.4, 2.53. 2,66. 2.8, or 2.93GHz (respectively), with 64-bit extensions, *efficient power draw* (23.75W per core), a 1333MHz FSB, 8MB of L3 processor cache, and Turbo Boost Technology
- 73W dual-core Core i3 processor models 530 or 540* running at 2.93GHz or 3.06GHz (respectively), with 64-bit extensions, *reduced power draw* (36.5W per core), a 1333MHz FSB, plus 4MB of L3 processor cache
- 73W dual-core Pentium processor model G6950* running at 2.8GHz, with 64-bit extensions, reduced power draw (36.5W per core), a 1066MHz FSB, plus 3MB of L3 processor cache
- 73W dual-core Celeron processor model G1101 running at 2.26GHz, with 64-bit extensions, *reduced power draw* (36.5W per core), a 1066MHz FSB, plus 2MB of L3 processor cache

* Processor available via Configure-to-Order (CTO) process.

The **dual-core** processors contain **two complete processor cores**; **quad-core** processors, similarly, contain **four** cores. The processors also contain one shared cache. The shared cache is dynamically allocated between cores as needed. The cores appear to software as physical processors. The two-core

⁵ For terms and conditions or copies of the IBM Statement of Limited Warranty, call 800-772-2227 in the U.S. In Canada call 800-426-2255. Telephone support may be subject to additional charges. For warranties including onsite labor, a technician is sent after IBM attempts to resolve the problem remotely. International warranty service is available in any country in which this product is sold.

processors offer considerably higher performance than a same-speed Xeon processor with a single core. Likewise, four-core processors offer considerably higher performance than a same-speed Xeon processor with two cores.

Note: Because of the integrated memory controller the former front-side bus (FSB) no longer exists.

Intel **Extended Memory 64 Technology (EM64T)** 64-bit extensions allow the Xeon processor to use large memory addressing when running with a 64-bit operating system. This in turn lets individual software processes directly access more than 4GB of RAM, which was the limit of 32-bit addressing. This can result in much higher performance for certain kinds of programs, such as database management and CAD. Additional registers and instructions (SSE3) can further boost performance for applications written to use them. Contact your software providers to determine their software support for EM64T.

Intelligent Power Capability powers individual processor elements on and off as needed, to reduce power draw.

Execute Disable Bit functionality can help prevent certain classes of malicious buffer overflow attacks when combined with a supporting operating system.

High-Speed DDR3 ECC Memory

The x3200 M3 ships with either one or two DIMMs installed and supports up to **32GB** of Registered DIMM (**RDIMM**) memory in **6** DIMM sockets, or up to **16GB** of Unbuffered DIMM (**UDIMM**) memory in **4** sockets. It uses **PC3-10600** or **PC3-8500R-777** double data rate III (**DDR3**) memory (operating at **800**, **1066**, or **1333MHz**. depending on the processor type and memory configuration) for faster access, and provides ECC memory protection.

The x3200 M3 supports either 1, 2, or 4 UDIMMs, or 1, 2, 4 or 6 RDIMMs. Valid configurations include:

- UDIMMs in Slot 1 only, or Slots 1 and 4, or Slots 1, 2, 4, and 5. (16GB maximum)
- RDIMMs in Slot 1 only, or Slots 1 and 4, or Slots 1, 2, 4, and 5, or all 6 slots. (32GB maximum)

UDIMMs are available in kits consisting of *one* **1GB DIMM** or *two* **1GB**, **2GB**, or **4GB** DIMMs. **RDIMMs** are available in kits consisting of *one* **1GB DIMM** or *two* **1GB**, **2GB**, **4GB**, or **8GB** DIMMs. Mixing UDIMMs and RDIMMs in the same server is not supported. Mixing ECC and non-ECC UDIMMs *is* supported; however the result will be all DIMMs operating in non-ECC mode.

The x3200 M3 supports both **single**- and **dual-rank UDIMMs**. **Single**-, **dual**-, and **quad-rank RDIMMs** are supported. Up to **6** single- or dual-rank RDIMMs, or up to **4** quad-rank RDIMMs can be used. Maximum capacities include:

- 4 single-rank UDIMMs (4 x 2GB = 8GB)
- 4 dual-rank UDIMMs (4 x 4GB = 16GB)
- 6 single-rank RDIMMs (6 x 2GB = 12GB)
- 6 dual-rank RDIMMs (6 x 4GB = 24GB)
- 4 quad-rank RDIMMs (4 x 8GB = 32GB)

Gigabit Ethernet Controller

The x3200 M3 includes **one** integrated **dual-port Intel 82574L** Gigabit Ethernet controller for up to 10X higher maximum throughput than a 10/100 Ethernet controller. The controller provides fully integrated Media Access Control (MAC) and Physical-Layer (PHY) capabilities that can be configured for either 1000Mb/s or 10/100 Mb/s modes of operation. In addition, it supports **IPMI-over-LAN**. The first port supports the **IMM systems management** controller.

The controller also supports **Wake on LAN**[®] and **PXE** (Preboot Execution Environment) flash interface. Optional PCI adapters offering failover and load balancing between adapters are available for added throughput and increased system availability.

Hot-Swap/Redundant Components

System availability is maximized through the use of hot-swap and redundant components, including:

- Hot-swap/redundant or simple-swap hard disk drives (with RAID-1/1E protection standard)
 - Hot-swap, redundant power supplies (model-specific or via CTO)



Large HDD Storage Capacity

The x3200 M3 offers a choice of disk storage, supporting up to **four 3.5-inch simple-swap** or **hot-swap** Serial ATA II (SATA II) drives, or **four 3.5-inch hot-swap** high-performance Serial-Attach SCSI (SAS) drives, or up to **eight 2.5-inch hot-swap SAS** drives (via CTO).

3.5-inch Hot-Swap SAS

• 15,000 RPMs - 146.8GB (587.2TB maximum)

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2.5-inch Hot-Swap SAS (3 Gbps or 6Gbps)

- 15,000 RPMs 73.4 or 146.8GB (1.17TB maximum)
- 10,000 RPMs -146.8 or 300GB (2.4TB)

3.5-inch Hot-Swap SATA

- 10,000 RPMs 250, 500 or 750GB (3TB maximum)
- 7,200 RPMs 1TB (4.0TB)

3.5-inch Simple-Swap SATA

- 10,000 RPMs 250, 500 or 750GB (3TB maximum)
- 7,200 RPMs 1TB (4.0TB)

Notes: Enterprise-class 500GB or higher SATA drives offer increased reliability compared to lowercapacity SATA drives. Simple-swap SATA drives are *not* hot-swappable (the system must first be powered off); however, no tools or jumpers are required for installation and removal, allowing for faster, simpler servicing than fixed drives. Hot-swap SAS drives use the Converged Tray for interchangeability with other IBM System x[®] systems.

If you need more storage space, terabyte capacities are possible with external direct-attach, NAS, and SAN solutions.

Drive Bays

Some x3200 M3 models (**3.5**-inch HDD models) contain **7** drive bays, while others (**2.5**-inch HDD models for CTO, via special bid) provide **11** drive bays. All models offer **two 5.25-inch** bays, **one 3.5**-**inch** floppy drive bay, and either **four 3.5**-inch HDD bays or **eight 2.5**-inch HDD bays (via CTO). Some models support up to **four hot-swap SAS/SATA** or **simple-swap SATA** drives; other models support up to **four simple-swap SATA** drives.

An optical drive with a SATA interface ships standard in one 5.25-inch bay. The other 5.25-inch bay supports one of several backup options: a **half-high tape** drive, a **DVD-ROM** drive, or an **RDX Removable Hard Disk Storage System**. An internal USB port is provided standard for use with a tape drive or **USB key with embedded hypervisor**. An *external* USB floppy drive may be used, if needed.

Hot-swap and simple-swap drives may be inserted or removed through the front of the server. **Hot-swap** drives *do not* require powering off the system. **Simple-swap** SATA drives *do* require powering off the system first; however, no tools or jumpers are required for installation and removal, allowing for faster, simpler servicing than fixed drives.

For still more storage, a direct-attach, iSCSI, or SAN external expansion option can be added, using an optional controller.

Disk/Tape Controllers

Hot-swap x3200 M3 models include an integrated **ServeRAID-BR10il SAS/SATA Controller V2** that offers hardware **RAID-0/1** support in a dedicated x4 PCIe slot. The controller supports up to **four 3.5-inch** or **eight 2.5-inch** internal **SAS** LVD (low-voltage differential) **hot-swap** drives, and provides data transfer speeds of up to **300MB** per second⁶ in *each* direction (**full-duplex**) for **SAS** drives, for an aggregate speed of **600MBps**, nearly double that of Ultra320 SCSI's **320MBps** (half-duplex) bandwidth. The serial design of the SAS bus allows maximum performance to be maintained as additional drives are added. This controller also supports up to **four** Serial ATA (**SATA**) drives at **300MBps** (half-duplex).

Simple-swap models include a **SATA** controller, integrated into the Intel chipset. The controller, supports up to **four** internal **simple-swap** LVD **SATA II** drives at the same **300MBps** (**half-duplex**) throughput. A dedicated SATA port is available for use with an **internal tape drive**. The optional **ServeRAID-BR10iI** controller can be added for **RAID-0/1/1E** support.

An optional **ServeRAID-MR10i SAS/SATA Controller** can be added to all models for **RAID-10/5/6** support, as well as optional battery backup with **256MB** of cache memory. The controller provides data transfer speeds of up to **3Gbps**⁷ per SAS port on an 8-lane 2.5 Gbps PCIe card.

The x3200 M3 also supports hardware-based full-disk encryption with **RAID-0/1/10/5/50/6/60** support using the optional **ServeRAID-MR10is Vault** card. Other supported SAS/SATA RAID controllers include the IBM **ServeRAID-M1015** (x8 PCIe, RAID-0/1/10), IBM **ServeRAID-M5014** (x8 PCIe, **256MB** cache, battery backup, RAID-0/1/10/5/50), IBM **ServeRAID-M5015** (x8 PCIe, **512MB** cache, battery backup, RAID-0/1/10/5/50) and the **IBM ServeRAID-M5025** (x8 PCIe, **512MB** cache, battery backup, RAID-0/1/10/5/50, supports up to 9 external IBM **System Storage EXP3000** expansion units). The **IBM ServeRAID M1000 Advance Feature Key** adds RAID-5 and Self-Encrypting Disk (SED) support to the ServeRAID-M1015.

 $\frac{6}{2}$ Data transfer rates depend on many factors and are often less than the maximum possible.

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For external storage, the **ServeRAID-MR10M** controller enables connection to up to four IBM System Storage EXP3000 SAS expansion units (48 HDDs total). It provides **RAID-0/1/10/5/50** support and **256MB** of onboard cache

All models provide a dedicated internal USB port for a USB key with embedded hypervisor.

Internal Backup

The x3200 M3 supports several internal SAS/SATA- or USB-attached **half-high backup** options. Supported technologies include:

- IBM 36/72GB DDS-5 (SATA)
- IBM DDS-6 (USB)
- IBM RDX Removable Hard Disk Storage System (USB)-external version also available
- IBM HH 400/800GB LTO-3 (SAS)

High-Performance Adapter Slots

The x3200 M3 offers six total adapter slots. Three PCle (PCl Express) full-length/full-height adapter slots are provided for general use. Two slots are x8 Gen 2 slots, that is x8 physical and x8 electrical (8GBps) slots, capable of supporting x1/x4/x8 adapters at their native speeds. Another slot is a x4/x1 PCle Gen 2 (1GBps) slot, capable of accepting x1 or x4 adapters⁸. Two other slots are full-length/full-height legacy 33MHz PCl slots.

In addition, a **fourth** PCIe slot, **x4/x4** PCIe **Gen 2** (**4GBps**), is dedicated for use with an IBM ServeRAID controller.

PCI Express is a high-performance, low-latency, next-generation serial I/O bus that is rapidly replacing the older parallel PCI and PCI-X buses. A x8 PCIe Gen 2 adapter offers approximately *eight times* the maximum throughput of a 133MHz PCI-X adapter⁹. (A x1 Gen 2 adapter offers throughput similar to a 64-bit 133MHz PCI-X slot.)

The RAID daughtercard plugs into a dedicated slot on the planar. This, coupled with the fact that the **SAS/SATA**, **Gigabit Ethernet**, **systems management** and **video** controllers are integrated onto the system board, means that all PCI/PCIe adapter slots are all *available*, which provides a wide degree of latitude in expansion options.

Ultra-Efficient Cooling

Strategically located fans, combined with efficient airflow paths, provide highly effective system cooling for the x3200 M3, known as **Calibrated Vectored Cooling**. The server includes **three** fans. In addition, the power supply contains a fan.

The fans automatically adjust speeds in response to changing thermal requirements, from minimum RPMs to maximum, depending on the zone, redundancy, and internal temperatures. When the temperature inside the server increases, the fans speed up to maintain the proper ambient temperature. When the temperature returns to a normal operating level, the fans return to their default speed.

Why not simply run the fans at 100% capacity all the time? For several good reasons: to reduce the ambient noise, reduce the wear-and-tear on the fans, and reduce the server power draw. The reduction in ambient noise and power draw may be relatively minor for a single server, but put dozens or hundreds in a data center and it can make a big difference!

In addition, the server uses **hexagonal ventilation holes** in the chassis. Hexagonal holes can be grouped more densely than round holes, providing greater airflow through the system cover.

This cooling scheme is important because newer, more powerful, processors generate a significant amount of heat, and heat must be controlled for the system to function properly.

Other Features

- Second 430W power supply Provides redundant power. (Model-dependant or via CTO.)
- Seven USB 2.0 ports Provides flexibility to add high-speed external devices. The USB 2.0 specification supports up to 480Mbps transfer rates. (Note: Not all USB 2.0 devices are capable of achieving this rate.) Two ports are provided on the front of the server, four are on the back, and one is internal to support a hypervisor USB key or a USB-interface tape drive.
- Tower-to-Rack Conversion Kit This option allows hot-swap x3200 M3 models to be installed in a rack.
- Toolless chassis The cover can be opened without tools, and many components can be installed or removed and replaced without tools, including the optical drive, simple-swap and hot-swap HDDs, PCI and PCIe adapters, as well as the integrated RAID controller. This can save a servicer significant

⁸ The slot accepts x1 or x4 adapters; however the slot provides x1 throughput only.





⁹ Actual throughput will depend on the adapter vendor's implementation.

time.

Rack Cable Management and KVM Console Switching

IBM Advanced Cabling Technology (**ACT**) is an optional feature that offers many advantages over standard KVM cabling across the entire System x and xSeries product line. So now you can interconnect all of your servers with one smart cabling architecture. ACT cabling eliminates the need for one-to-one direct connections between each server and a KVM switch by using a daisy-chain approach.

The snarl of cabling behind most racks is at best inconvenient to work around and at worst an expensive logistical nightmare, requiring the rewiring of servers, PDUs, KVM switches, and other equipment whenever a rack server is added or removed. Even worse, the veil of cables blocks rack airflow and can actually contribute to equipment failure due to overheating. ACT cabling is the solution for reducing behind-the-rack cabling by as much as **87%**. *The illustration below shows a sample ACT configuration:*



Conventional cabling has bulky KVM cables exiting each server, which then connect to a KVM switch. The cables exiting a series of KVM switches must then be aggregated via additional KVM switches and PDUs, which only increases the number—and cost—of cables, KVM switches and PDUs. Instead, the daisy-chain approach of ACT cabling uses readily available, inexpensive CAT5 and 6 cabling to considerably *reduce* the number of cables, KVM switches, and PDUs needed, rather than increasing them. If a server is removed or added, no complicated rewiring is needed. One cable connects the first server in the rack to the next, and so on. Up to **16** servers form a chain; up to **8** chains can connect to one Local Console Manager (LCM); **16** LCMs can connect to one Global Console Manager (GCM). In this manner, up to **2,048 servers** can be centrally managed. Equally importantly, with ACT—unlike some other offerings—everything is done externally via cabling; *no* special adapters are required.

Extensive System Support Features

The IBM services and technical support portfolio provides world-class, consistent, high-quality service and support. The x3200 M3 server offers a number of tools and services designed to make ownership a positive experience. From the start, IBM programs make it easier for customers to plan for, configure and purchase System x or xSeries servers, get them running and keep them running long-term. These features include IBM ServerProven[®], the IBM Standalone Solutions Configuration Tool, IBM System x and BladeCenter Power Configurator, IBM ServerGuide, IBM Systems Director Service and Support Manager, Product Customization Services and extensive technical support offerings.

The IBM **ServerProven** program provides the confidence that specific options and operating systems have been tested on the server and are officially supported to work together. It is updated frequently to ensure that the latest compatibility information is always at your customers' fingertips.

The IBM **Standalone Solutions Configuration Tool** (SSCT) is a downloadable tool that simplifies the often complex chore of configuring a full rack of servers (including blade servers) and confirming that you have all the cables, power distribution units, KVM (keyboard, video and mouse) switch boxes and other components you need, as well as the proper airflow clearances, electrical circuits and other environmental conditions.

IBM **System x and BladeCenter Power Configurator** helps IT managers plan for data center power needs, by providing the following information for specific configurations of System x and BladeCenter systems: *power input* (watts), *PDU sizing* (amps), *heat output* (BTUs), *airflow requirements through chassis* (CFM), *VA rating, leakage current* (mA), and *peak inrush current* (amps).

IBM **ServerGuide** (installed from CD) simplifies the process of installing and configuring System x and xSeries servers. ServerGuide goes beyond mere hardware configuration by assisting with the





automated installation of the Microsoft[®] Windows[®] Server 2003 and 2008 operating systems, device drivers and other system components, with minimal user intervention. (Drivers are also included for support of Novell NetWare, Red Hat Linux and SUSE LINUX.) This focus on deployment helps customers reduce both their total cost of ownership and the complexity that administrators and technical personnel face.

IBM Systems Director Service and Support Manager (previously called IBM Electronic Service AgentTM) is an innovative "call home" feature that allows System x and BladeCenter servers to automatically report hardware problems to IBM support, which can even dispatch onsite service if necessary to those customers entitled to onsite support under the terms of their warranty or an IBM Maintenance Agreement. Service and Support Manager resides on a server and provides electronic support and problem management capabilities through a highly secure electronic dialogue between your systems and IBM. It monitors networked servers for hardware errors and it can perform hardware and software inventories and report inventory changes to IBM. All information sent to IBM is stored in a highly secure database and used for improved problem determination.

Additional services include hardware warranty upgrades and factory-installed **Product Customization Services** (PCS), such as asset tagging, hardware integration, software imaging and operating systems personalization.

IBM offers extensive **technical support** by phone and via the Web. Support options include links to forums/newsgroups, problem submission, online shopping support, service offerings, device drivers for all IBM product lines, software downloads and even upcoming technical seminar worldwide schedules and registration. Also available are remote installation, configuration and usage support for System x and xSeries hardware and software, as well as onsite custom services to give customers the level of expertise they require.

Advanced Systems Management Capabilities

The x3200 M3 has a high level of systems management capabilities that are well-suited to remote locations as well as to stand-alone environments. Features include **UEFI, IMM**, IBM ToolsCenter, IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager, Automatic Server Restart, Wake on LAN[®] support, PXE support, text console redirect, Predictive Failure Analysis, and IBM Systems Director.

The **IMM** provides industry-standard **Intelligent Platform Management Interface (IPMI) 2.0**-compliant systems management. It provides a number of important system functions, including:

- Monitoring of system and battery voltage, system temperature, fans, power supplies, processor and DIMM status
- · Fan speed control
- Product ID and Family ID detection
- Highly secure remote power on/off
- System reset control
- NMI/SMI detection and generation
- System diagnostic LED control (power, HDD, activity, alerts, heartbeat)
- IPMI over LAN
- Serial Over LAN
- Proxy server support
- LAN messaging and alerting
- Predictive Failure Analysis for system fans
- Web-based out-of-band control
- SSL (Secure Socket Layer) and LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol) support
- Text console redirection over LAN
- VLAN support
- Enhanced authentication and encryption algorithms (RMCP+, AES)
- · Local update of IMM firmware
- Firmware firewall
- Support for IPMI v2.0 compliant management software (e.g., xCAT)
- Other mandatory and optional IPMI IMM functions

The IMM alerts IBM Systems Director to anomalous environmental factors, such as voltage and thermal conditions—even if the server has failed.

The x3200 M3 also supports an optional **IBM Virtual Media Key** for additional systems management capabilities, including:

• Windows "blue screen" capture

- Graphical console redirection over LAN
- Remote virtual floppy and CD-ROM
- · High-speed remote redirection of PCI video, keyboard and mouse

IBM developed IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager to put control of system power-saving features at the fingertips of administrators. Active Energy Manager is designed to take advantage of new features, such as monitoring power usage and balancing the performance of the system according to available power input. It provides the ability to plan and predict power consumption based on your hardware configuration. It also helps enable you to reduce the infrastructure required for redundancy, by using fewer servers on smaller power feeds and potentially lowering your overall data center support costs. It does this by inventorying all components, then adding up the total power draw and tracking the usage. It also includes power management features to help administrators manage or reduce power usage. Automatic Server Restart (ASR) helps reduce downtime by restarting the server automatically in the event of a system lockup. ASR technology is a combination of hardware circuitry tied into the server's system reset function and a device driver. As long as the server continues running, the ASR watchdog timer will keep being reset, but if the operating system crashes or the hardware freezes somehow the ASR software will be unable to reset the hardware timer. If the timer is not reset within five minutes, it automatically triggers the ASR hardware, which immediately restarts the server (and logs an ASR event with IBM Systems Director). These features are designed so that no more than five minutes can pass before the server is restarted. Wake on LAN permits the server to be remotely powered on if it has been shut off. Once powered up, the server can be controlled across the network, using the Preboot Execution Environment (PXE). Like Wake on LAN, PXE is system firmware. It enables software such as the optional IBM Remote Deployment Manager to take control of a system before the BIOS, operating system or applications are loaded (using Wake on LAN/PXE) and lets an administrator perform many low-level tasks remotely that would otherwise require a visit to each system. These tasks may include such things as formatting a hard disk drive, updating system firmware, or deploying a Windows or Linux operating system. Text Console Redirection support allows the administrator to remotely view x3200 M3 text messages over serial or LAN. An optional upgrade to the Virtual Media Key adds graphical console redirection. Predictive Failure Analysis (PFA) is designed to allow the system to detect impending failure of supported components (memory, voltage regulator module (VRD), fans, and hot-swap HDDs) before actual failure, and alert the administrator through IBM Systems Director. This gives you the ability to replace the failing component before it fails, resulting in increased uptime. IBM Systems Director software for advanced workgroup management is included with the x3200 M3. IBM Systems Director comes with a portfolio of tools, including IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager, Service and Support Manager, and others. System Availability (a no-charge download) and Capacity Manager (sold separately) are available as add-ons for additional server management and increased availability. IBM Systems Director provides a single uniform graphical interface for all of these systems management functions. IBM Systems Director enables you to customize thresholds and monitor system components (for things like temperature, voltage regulation, etc.) to help maximize uptime.

Key Options

IBM options for System x servers let you take your servers to a higher level

You rely on System x options to supply a complete solution for your business needs. Options help you create an optimized server system to meet your data protection, storage and availability needs. Every IBM option is designed and tested for peak performance and flexibility, helping to maximize your return on investment. The combination of System x servers and options lets you keep your fingers on the pulse of your business.

Memory — Memory is a significant factor in systems application performance. Adding more memory to a System x server is one of the most effective ways to increase application performance. For best performance in a server with a **dual-core** processor, there should be twice as much memory available as for a single-core processor. A **quad-core** processor should have twice as much memory as a dual-core processor.

Hard Disk Drives — IBM hard disk drives help customers improve the transaction and cost performance of their System x servers. The choice of hard disk drives can be a critical aspect of maximizing the I/O throughput of the system. SAS hard disk drives (3.5-inch) are available for the x3200 M3 with capacities of 500GB at 7,200 RPMs, up to 300GB at 10,000 RPMs and 146.8GB at 15,000 RPMs. Enterprise-class SATA hard disk drives are available with capacities of 1TB (3.5-inch) at 7,200 RPMs and up to 750GB at 10,000 RPMs. In addition, 2.5-inch SAS drives with capacities of 500GB at 7,200 RPMs, up to 300GB at 10,000 RPMs, and 146.8GB at 15,000 RPMs are supported in some models.

IBM ServeRAID Controllers — System x servers using ServeRAID technology allow companies to build a reliable foundation for business-critical computing. IBM ServeRAID technology allows an array

consisting of multiple physical hard disk drives to be treated as one logical drive. ServeRAID technology also allows data to be stored redundantly, across multiple hard disk drives- enhancing both the integrity and the availability of the data. SAS and SATA ServeRAID controllers offer enhanced performance due to onboard processors and cache. Because IBM ServeRAID controllers can help significantly improve data transfer rates, this technology is extremely effective when implementing demanding, transaction-oriented applications. By employing the advanced fault tolerance of IBM ServeRAID technology, companies can effectively implement networked business systems that require large amounts of storage space for data and applications that must be available for their businesses to continue operating. The ServeRAID-MR10i SAS/SATA Controller offers RAID-10/5/6 support and optional battery backup with 256MB of cache memory, with up to 3Gbps per SAS port. The ServeRAID-MR10is Vault card offers hardware-based full-disk encryption and RAID-0/1/10/5/50/6/60 support. ServeRAID-MR10M controller provides RAID-0/1/10/5/50 support and 256MB of onboard cache and enables connection to up to four IBM System Storage EXP3000 SAS expansion units (48 HDDs total). Other supported SAS/SATA RAID controllers include the IBM ServeRAID-M1015 (x8 PCIe, RAID-0/1/10), IBM ServeRAID-M5014 (x8 PCIe, 256MB cache, battery backup, RAID-0/1/10/5/50 with Selfencrypting Disk, or SED, support), IBM ServeRAID-M5015 (x8 PCIe, 512MB cache, battery backup, RAID-0/1/10/5/50 and SED) and the IBM ServeRAID-M5025 (x8 PCIe, 512MB cache, battery backup, RAID-0/1/10/5/50 and SED, supports up to 9 external IBM System Storage EXP3000 expansion units). The IBM ServeRAID M1000 Advance Feature Key adds RAID-5 and SED support to the ServeRAID-M1015. External Storage — The IBM System Storage EXP700 and EXP810 expansion units, as well as the DS3000, DS4000, and DS5000 series storage subsystems, comprise a powerful and broad shared storage family with integrated management software designed to meet midrange and enterprise needs. Power Supply — A second high-efficiency redundant 430W power supply is available for the x3200 M3. (Model-dependant or via CTO). Virtual Media Key — The x3200 M3 includes a plethora of systems management features built-in; however, sometimes additional management capability is needed. In those situations, the Virtual Media Key not only offers powerful new features, it does so without taking up a valuable adapter slot, instead using a dedicated connector on the motherboard.

x3200 M3 Images

Front View



Rear View



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Interior View



x3200 M3 Specifications										
Machine type		7327- C1x, C2x, 22x, 32x, 42x, 54x, 62x (1 yr. war.) 7328- C1x, C2x, 22x, 32x, 42x, 54x, 62x (3 yr. war.)								
Form factor	Tower (hot-swap models convertible to 5U rack)									
Processor type	Quad-core Xeon (X3400 Series) 2.4GHz X3430 (Cxx), 2.53GHz X3440 (42x), 2.67GHz X3450 (54x), 2.8GHz X3460 (62x), 2.93GHz X3670 (CTO)	Dual-core Celeron (G1100 Series) 2.26GHz G1101 (22x)	Dual-core Pentium (G6900 Series) 2.8GHz G6950 (CTO)	Dual-core Core i3 (500 Series) 2.93GHz 530 (32x), 3.06GHz 540 (CTO)						
Maximum processor power draw	95W (C1x, C2x, 42x, 54x, 62x, CTO)									
# of processors standard / maximum	1 / 1									
Internal L2 cache	1MB L2 (256K per core)									
Internal L3 cache	8MB (1 unified 8MB)— C1x, C2x, 42x, 54x, 62x, CTO	4MB —32x, CTO	ЗМВ—СТО	2MB —22x						

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Chipset			Intel	3420						
Standard / maximum memory ¹⁰	2GB (2 x 1GB) / 32GB RDIMM, 16GB 1GB (1 x 1GB) / 16GB UDIMM (22x, 3 UDIMM (C1x, C2x, 42x, 54x, 62x, CTO) CTO)									
Memory types supported		Unbuffered PC3-8500R-777 (1066MHz) DDR3 ECC (non-Chipkill); Registered PC3-10600 (1333MHz) DDR3 ECC (non-Chipkill)								
Memory access speed	1333MHz (C1x, C2x, 32x, 42x, 54x, 62x)			1066MHz (22x, CTO)						
DIMM capacities supported	1GB, 2GB, 4GB UDIMMs; 1GB, 2GB, 4GB, 8GB RDIMMs;									
# of DIMMs standard	2 RDIMMs (C1x, C2	2x, 42x, 54	x, 62x, CTO)	2 UD	IMMs (22x	, 32x, CTO)				
# of DIMM sockets total / available	6 / 4 RDIMMs or 4 / 42x, 54x	2 UDIMM , 62x, CTC		4 / 3 U	DIMMs (22	2x, 32x, CTO)				
# of DIMMs supported	1, 2, or 4 UDIMMs ((C1x, C2x, 42)	(22x, 32x, CTO)								
Online spare memory supported			Ν	0						
Memory mirroring supported			Ν	0						
# of drive bays total / available	11 / 10 (2.5	5-inch mod	els)	7 /	6 (3.5-incl	n models)				
# of HDD drive bays total / available	8 / 8 2.5	-inch (CTC))	4 / 4 3.5-inch (Cxx, 32x, 42x, 54x, 62x, CTO)						
# of 5.25" bays total / available			2 / 1 (optical o	drive installed)						
Maximum HDD capacity standard	4TB (4 x 1TB) 3.5- inch hot-swap SATA II	inch si	t 750GB) 3.5- mple-swap ATA II	587.2GB 1 46.8GB) 3 hot-swap	3.5-inch	4GB (8 x 500GB) 2.5-inch hot-swap SAS				
HDD capacities supported	<u>3.5-inch SAT</u> 250, 500, 750GB - RPMs; 1 TB—7.2K RP	00, 750GB—10K <u>3.5-inc</u> RPMs; 146.8GB—			2.5-inch SAS ch SAS 73.4, 146.8GB—15H -15K RPMs 146.8, 300GB—10H 500GB—7.2K R					
# of HDDs standard	Nr			one						
Disk drive technology	3.5-inch hot -sv SAS/SATA (C2x, 4 62x)			mple -swap x, 22x, 32x)	ch hot -swap SAS (CTO)					
Integrated disk controller	Four-port ServeRAI hot-sw	D- BR10il S ap models		Four-port SA	TA (via chi mode	pset)—simple-swap Is				
# of disk drives supported <i>per</i> port										
Integrated RAID controller	ServeRAI	D- BR10il (0MB cache)h	ot-swap model	s only—RA	ND 0/1/1E				
Optional RAID controllers supported	ServeRAID- MR10i , ServeRAID- MR10is Vault , ServeRAID- M5014 and ServeRAID- M5015									
Internal backup drives supported	1 half-high 5.25-ir	nch tape dr	ive, CD-RW, or	RDX Removab	le Hard Dis	sk Storage System				
# of optical drives standard	1 SATA DVD-ROM (in dedicated 5.25" bay)									
Optical drives optional			Multik	ourner						
# of diskette drives standard	None (USB-attach)									
# of adapter slots total / available			6	6						
# of PCI-E x8/x8 Gen 2 slots (8GBps)			2 full-heigh	t/full-length						

¹⁰ Maximum memory and disk capacity may require the replacement of standard components with the largest supported component available.

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# of PCI-E x4/x4 Gen 2 slots (4GBps)	1 full-height/full-length (dedicated to ServeRAID controller)							
# of PCI-E x4/x1 slots (1GBps)	1 full-height/full-length							
# of PCI-X/66 slots (500MBps)	None							
# of legacy 33MHz legacy PCI slots	:	2						
# of video ports	1							
Video controller	Matrox G200eV graphic c	ontroller integrated in IMM						
Video memory	16MB DDR2 standa	rd (shared with IMM)						
Maximum video resolution at 32- bit color		h a color depth of 32 bits at 85Hz ; a a color depth of 32 bits at 60Hz						
Gigabit Ethernet controller	Intel 8	2574L						
# of Gigabit Ethernet ports	2 (rear)—1 reserved fo	r systems management						
# of RS485 ports	Nc	ne						
# of serial ports	1 (r	ear)						
# of parallel ports	Nc	ne						
# of PS/2 mouse ports	None (USB-attach)							
# of PS/2 keyboard ports	None (US	GB-attach)						
# of USB 2.0 ports	6 external ports (2 front, 4 rear), plus 1 internal connector for hypervisor USB key or tape drive							
Integrated systems management controller	Yes (IMM)							
Optional systems management adapter	Nc	ne						
Light path diagnostics support	None (lighted LEDs next to DIMM sockets go out if DIMM fails)							
Predictive Failure Analysis support	Memory, voltage regulator moc	lule (VRD), HS HDDs, and fans						
Hot-swap/redundant power supported	Yes / Yes (54x or via CTO)	No / No (all other models)						
# of power supplies standard / maximum	1 / 2 (54x or via CTO)	1 / 1 (all other models)						
Power supply size	430W universal, autoswitching (54x or via CTO) 401W universal, autoswitching (all o models)							
# of fans/blowers standard / maximum	3 / 3 (plus one fan per power supply)							
Hot-swap/redundant fans supported	No							
Heat emitted: maximum per hour	433.3 BTUs (model-specific) / 130W							
Maximum altitude	7,000 ft;	2,133 m						
Operating temperature range	50 – 95° F; 10 – 35° C (up to 3,000 ft / 914.4 m); 50 – 90° F; 10 – 32° C (3,000 ft to 7,000 ft / 914.4m to 2,133m)							
Operating humidity range	8-8	0%						
Dimensions (HWD) / weight	17.25" (438.2mm) H 8.5" (215.9mm) W	43 (minimum) – 47 lb (maximum) 19.6 – 21.4 kg						

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	21.25" (539.8mm) D 30.4" (772mm) D (with redundant power)									
Operating systems supported	Microsoft Windows Server 2008 (Standard/Web/Enterprise Editions) 32/64-bit, Windows Small Business Server 2008 (SE/PE) 64-bit, Microsoft Windows Server 2003 & R2 (Standard/Web/Enterprise Editions) 32/64-bit, RHEL 4/5 32/64-bit with and without Xen, Red Hat 5 Workstation 64-bit, SLES 10/11 32/64-bit with and without Xen, VMware 4/4i									
Length of limited warranty	3 years (parts and labor) ¹¹ — Machine Type 7328 1 year (parts and labor) — Mac 7327									

The Bottom Line The x3200 M3 is an extremely powerful entry system, incorporating leading-edge industrystandard features and adding IBM-unique innovations:

Price/Performance

- High-throughput processors A choice of 2.4GHz to 2.93GHz quad-core Xeon or 2.26GHz to 3.06GHz dual-core Celeron, Pentium, or Core i3 processors
- Low-energy-draw dual-core Celeron, Pentium, or Core i3 processors, to help save you money on energy usage
- Large cache 2MB, 3MB, 4MB (dual-core), or 8MB (quad-core) of L3 processor cache (processor-dependent)
- 64-bit extensions (EM64T)
- High-performance memory access 1066MHz or 1333MHz (model-specific)
- High-performance disk technology Integrated SAS/SATA controller and slotless hardware-based RAID controller (standard in hot-swap models; optional in simple-swap models)
- High-performance external expansion Seven 480Mbps USB 2.0 ports (two front, four rear, one internal)
- High-performance communications Integrated dual-port Gigabit Ethernet controller
- Fast I/O Five PCIe Gen 2 adapter slots

Flexibility

- Large memory capacity Up to 32GB of RDIMM ECC memory or up to 16GB of UDIMM ECC memory
- High-capacity disk storage Up to 4TB of internal 3.5-inch hot-swap SATA II storage or 4TB of 3.5-inch simple-swap SATA storage, or 1.17TB of 3.5-inch hot-swap SAS storage, or up to 4TB of 2.5-inch hot-swap SAS storage
- Support for an **optional half-high tape**, **optical drive**, or **RDX Removable Hard Disk Storage System** drive (in *addition* to the HDDs)
- Hardware-based RAID-0/1/1E support standard in hot-swap models, optional in simple-swap models; RAID 10/5/50/6/60 support optional in all models; full hardware disk encryption support available in all models
- Six available adapter slots:
 - One x8/x8¹² PCle Gen 2 slot (8GBps)
 - One x8/4¹³ PCIe Gen 2 slot (4GBps)
 - One x4/x4¹⁴ PCle Gen 2 slots (4GBps)—reserved for ServeRAID controller
 - One x4/x1¹⁵ PCle Gen 2 slots (1GBps)
 - Two 33MHz legacy PCI slots

Manageability, Serviceability and Availability

- IBM Systems Director systems management software, including:
 - IBM Systems Director Active Energy Manager

¹³ The x8/x4 slot can accept x1, x4, or x8 adapters running at x1, x4, or x4 throughput, respectively.

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¹² The x8/x8 slot can accept x1, x4, or x8 adapters running at x1, x4, or x8 throughput, respectively.

¹⁴ The x4/x4 slot can accept x1 or x4 adapters running at x1 or x4 throughput, respectively.

¹⁵ The x4/x1 slot can accept x1 or x4 adapters running at x1 throughput.

- □ IBM Service and Support Manager
- Integrated Management Module (IMM):
 - □ IPMI 2.0 compliance, including highly secure remote power control
 - **Text console redirection** systems management standard
- Support for highly available hardware-based RAID-1/1E arrays standard, without consuming an adapter slot
- Hot-swap SAS, hot-swap SATA, or simple-swap SATA hard disk drives, for quick and simple installation and replacement of drives
- Ultra-efficient cooling
- Second hot-swap/redundant power supply (model-dependant or via CTO)
- PFA support for memory, voltage regulator module (VRD), hot-swap HDDs, and fans
- Optional tower-to-rack conversion kit

Server Comparison Chart

Important		Nice to Have Can do without				•	Best	Better Good							
			Requirements										Tov	vers	
Theme Key Workloads		Scalability	Floating Point Performance	Memory Throughput	Integer Performance	. I/O and Storage	Density	High Availability	Systems Management	Security	Distributed Deployment	x3100	x3200 M3	x3400 M2	x3500 M2
	Cluster / HPC														
HPC	Modeling & Simulation														
	High Performance DB														
	Business Intelligence		(-,+)				(-,+)			1.00					
	Search		1.1								1.1				
Web 2.0 /	Content														
Web 3D	Communities		1.1	1.1	1.1			1.1		1.1					
WCD OD	Commerce								1.1		1.1				
	Collaboration					1.1									
	ERP/SCM											<u> </u>	\circ	-	
Business	CRM	1.1			1.1							Q		-	
Applications	Hosted Client	-								1.1	1.1	\bigcirc	0	-	
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	Branch Office														
	Virtualization		1.00	1.1	1.1		1.1					L Q	L Q	<u> </u>	
	Business Continuity						1.1					L Q	L Q	\cup	
Intrastructure	Database												$ \bigcirc$		
	Email/Collaboration														
	Security	1.1			1.1									-	
	Web Serving		1.1												
File & Print							1.1								



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