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http://www.pc.ibm.com/ww/eserver/xseries/clusteri ng/parallel_server.html

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IBM @server & TotalStorage Advantage

- **Application Flexibility** providing the choice of building and deploying applications from a foundation of legacy and open standards with a strong commitment to Open Source Linux.
- **Innovative Technology** for extreme performance, outstanding scalability, reliability and security.
- **Risk Mitigation** by leveraging all IBM servers, storage, finance, middleware, etc. and the ISV relationships.
- **Infrastructure Efficiency** with self-managing systems and distributed computing over a network.
- **TCO Reduction** via a vast portfolio of mainframe, UNIX, Intel-based and integrated servers and disk, tape or NAS storage

zSeries mainframe servers

Maximum performance, security and reliability for transaction processing and workload consolidation, supporting z/OS and zLinux.

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Powerful, scalable, and reliable UNIX servers, leveraging IBM's POWER technology running AIX and Linux.

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Enterprise Storage Server

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FASTt Storage Servers

For data protection with dual redundant components, multiple RAID levels, LUN masking and enhanced management options

Tape storage devices

Include the 3494 Enterprise Tape Library, the enterprise Virtual Tape Server and the line of Linear Tape-Open (LTO) technology midrange and high-end libraries.

Leading Benchmark Results

"The **Oracle Applications Standard Benchmark**, (OASB), is a comparable standard workload which demonstrates the performance and scalability of Oracle Applications and provides metrics for the comparison of Oracle Applications performance on different system configurations." Current results are posted at:

http://www.oracle.com/apps_benchmark/html/index.html?results.html

As of August 2003, the IBM xSeries model 440 leveraging its Enterprise x-Architecture™ blueprint maintains the highest concurrent user count for any Intel® based server running Linux on the OASB version 11.5.3.

System:	IBM xSeries 440, 5-way (1.6GHz) 32GB
User Count:	3,472 (OASB 11.5.3)
Average Response Time:	1.17 seconds
Database:	Oracle 9i R2 Enterprise Edition
Operating System:	Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS 2.1
Date Submitted:	June 14, 2002

Oracle has released an updated version of the OASB workload (11.5.6), and the x440 just posted the top performance result as of June 2, 2003.

System:	IBM xSeries 440, 8-way (2.0GHz) 32GB
User Count:	5,656 (OASB 11.5.6)
Average Response Time:	0.474 seconds
Database:	Oracle 9i R2 Enterprise Edition
Operating System:	SuSE Linux Enterprise Server 8
Date Submitted:	June 2, 2003

Oracle Certifications on xSeries:

Oracle has identified the operating systems below as strategic components of its overall platform strategy for Intel based servers. Oracle now certifies their code to the operating systems (OS) listed in the table below. Any server that the operating system vendor lists as certified on the OS vendor's website, Oracle will in turn regard as certified to run Oracle9i.

Oracle Certification Guidelines¹:

<http://metalink.oracle.com/metalink/certify/certify.istore.welcome>

IBM	Windows 2003 Enterprise Server*	Windows® 2000 Adv. Server*	Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS 2.1	SuSE Linux Enterprise Server 8
IBM BladeCenter 2-way Blade HS20	In Plan	√	√	√
X445 4/8-way	√	√	√	√
X440 4/8-way	√	√	√	√
X360 4-way	In Plan	√	√	√
X345 2-way	In Plan	√	√	√
X335 2-way	In Plan	√	√	√
X330 2-way	In Plan	√	In Plan	√
X255 4-way	In Plan	√	In Plan	√
X235 2-way	In Plan	√	√	√

* No support for Network Attached Storage.

** x450 4-way 64-bit certified for Redhat Enterprise Linux AS 2.1 for the Itanium Processor Family.

Oracle Product Purchase Information:

<http://oraclestore.oracle.com>

Oracle Product Information: <http://www.oracle.com/>

¹Requires Metalink user id

Why IBM Servers for Oracle?

- IBM's strong technology relationship with Oracle. See: <http://oracle.com/collateral/letter.rtf>
- IBM's strong commitment to enable Oracle products on IBM servers -> onsite engineering and hardware resources at Oracle Corporation
- IBM ~ strong performance -> IBM xSeries leads the Oracle Applications Standard Benchmark (OASB) 11.5.3 and 11.5.6 results as of June 2, 2003
- IBM xSeries provides an extremely wide array of scalable hardware solutions in single and multi-node configurations
- IBM's robust clustering solutions contribute to Oracle's "unbreakable" Real Application Cluster (RAC) environment - proven cluster software and Oracle's 9i/RAC deliver scalable and reliable solutions
- IBM's industry leading systems management capabilities which provide for uninterrupted operation and lower Total Cost of Ownership
- IBM's worldwide, world-class sales, support and service – proven commitment to customer satisfaction.
- Oracle and Linux Competency & Solution Centers provide technical expertise, benchmarking, sizing, customer briefings
- IBM xSeries Oracle Sizing Lab – located in San Mateo, California to validate Oracle sizing assumptions – located within minutes of Oracle's headquarters in Redwood Shores, CA
- IBM Linux Technology Center – Headquartered in Beaverton, Oregon aims to provide datacenter harden features (scalability, high availability, etc.) to enhance Linux

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