

SPECjbb2005 performance on Intel- and AMD-processorbased servers running Red Hat Enterprise Linux v.4.4

Executive summary

Intel Corporation (Intel) commissioned Principled Technologies (PT) to measure the SPECjbb2005 performance of the following dual-processor servers running Red Hat Enterprise Linux v.4.4:

- Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with dualcore AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SE
- Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355

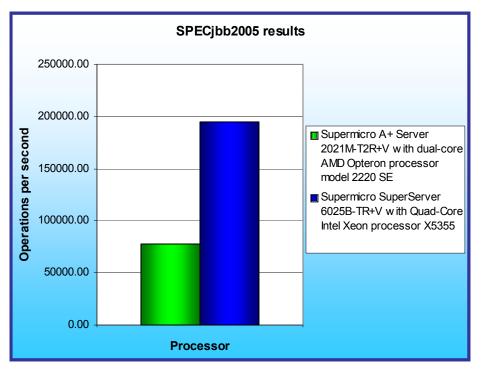
KEY FINDING

 The Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s delivered over 151 percent higher peak performance than the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs (see Figure 1).

In this section, we discuss the best results for each server. For complete details of the performance of each Java Virtual Machine (JVM) by warehouse for each server, see the Test results section.

Figure 1 shows the SPECjbb2005 results, in bops, of the test servers. Each result is the median score of three runs of the benchmark. See the Test results section for the scores from all three runs. A higher SPECjbb2005 score indicates the server is able to handle more Java requests and thus deliver greater throughput.

The Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s produced the higher results, 194,688 bops, while the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs achieved 77,460 bops. The Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s thus delivered a 151.3 percent performance increase over the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs.



Workload

SPECjbb2005 is an industrystandard benchmark created by the Standard Performance Evaluation Corp. (SPEC) to measure a server's Java performance. SPEC modeled SPECibb2005 on the three-tier client/server architecture. with the middle layer as the primary focus. Per SPEC. "Random input selection represents the first (user) tier. SPECjbb2005 fully implements the middle tier business logic. The third tier is represented by tables of objects, implemented by Java Collections, rather than a separate database." (www.spec.org/ibb2005/docs/U serGuide.html).

SPECjbb2005 utilizes multiple special data groups and multiple threads as it runs. Each data unit is a



"warehouse", which is a roughly 25MB collection of data objects. Each thread represents an active user posting transaction requests within a warehouse. The benchmark run begins with one warehouse and then increases the number of warehouses; its goal is to saturate the server's processor capacity. As the number of warehouses increases, so does the number of threads. The benchmark's results portray the server's throughput in bops (business operations per second). Because bops is a rate, a higher number of bops is better. (For more information on SPECjbb2005, go to www.spec.org.)

Test results

Figure 2 shows the median SPECjbb2005 results with processor affinity for both servers. We used processor affinity to map processes to logical processors, a practice that typically helps the server achieve maximum performance. (We verified with experiments that both systems scored higher with processor affinity than without it.) In each test, we ran two JVMs at the same time, a common practice on servers with many processors. To compute the overall score for the system, SPECjbb2005 sums the scores of all the JVMs. SPECjbb2005 computes the score of each JVM by taking the average of the results during mixes when the server is running at peak performance. (In SPEC's terms, these results are from "compliant" runs, which means we can disclose them publicly though we are not posting them on the SPEC Web site with all the files SPEC requires. We do present here all the data necessary to reproduce these results.)

	Operations per seco	ond
	Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs	Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s
JVM 1	38,770	96,848
JVM 2	38,690	97,840
Total Score	77,460	194,688

Figure 2: SPECjbb2005 results for each server by JVM. Higher numbers are better.

Figure 3 shows the results by warehouse for the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs for all three runs. Run 3 produced the median results.

Supermicro A+ S	Server 2021M-T2R+V with	n dual-core AMD Opteron p	rocessor model 2220 SE	
	Run 1 Run 2 Run 3			
Warehouse		JVM 1		
1	16,793	16,934	17,313	
2	38,436	38,476	38,597	
3	38,860	38,739	38,555	
4	38,982	38,485	39,159	
5	38,578	38,338	38,531	
6	38,772	38,115	38,607	
7	38,494	38,141	38,214	
8	38,039	37,868	38,032	
Score	38,759	38,567	38,770	
Warehouse		JVM 2		
1	17,664	17,162	17,648	
2	38,300	38,123	38,261	
3	38,973	38,263	38,824	
4	38,891	37,979	38,986	
5	38,282	38,524	38,387	
6	38,045	38,633	38,242	
7	38,134	38,050	37,574	
8	37,941	37,672	37,188	
Score	38,721	38,122	38,690	
Total Score	77,480	76,689	77,460	

Figure 3: SPECjbb2005 results for the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs. Higher numbers are better.

Figure 4 shows the results by warehouse for the Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s for all three runs. Run 3 produced the median results.

Supermicro	SuperServer 6025B-TR+	V with Quad-Core Intel Xee	on processor X5355	
	Run 1 Run 2 Run 3			
Warehouse		JVM 1		
1	31,522	32,110	32,221	
2	65,346	64,959	64,912	
3	82,459	81,865	81,937	
4	100,027	99,009	99,056	
5	98,540	98,406	98,311	
6	97,656	96,771	97,011	
7	95,337	95,218	95,696	
8	95,150	93,984	94,167	
Score	97,342	96,678	96,848	
Warehouse		JVM 2		
1	31,893	31,706	31,045	
2	65,417	65,105	65,569	
3	82,162	82,228	81,777	
4	99,613	100,342	99,517	
5	100,071	98,908	99,662	
6	97,502	98,997	98,824	
7	96,035	96,523	96,439	
8	94,303	94,953	94,760	
Score	97,505	97,945	97,840	
Total Score	194,847	194,623	194,688	

Figure 4: SPECjbb2005 results for the Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Xeon processor X5355s. Higher numbers are better.

Test methodology

Figure 5 summarizes some key aspects of the configurations of the server systems; Appendix A provides detailed configuration information.

Server	Supermicro A+ Server 2021M- T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs	Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad- Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s
Processor frequency (GHz)	2.8 GHz	2.66 GHz
System bus	2000 MHz HyperTransport	1333 MHz
Number of processor packages	2	2
Number of cores per processor package	2	4
Number of hardware threads per core	1	1
Motherboard	Super H8DME-2	Supermicro X7DBE+
Chipset	NVIDIA MCP55 Pro	Intel 5000P Chipset
RAM (8GB in each)	PC2-5300	PC2-5300 FBDIMM
Hard Drive	Western Digital WD740ADFD 74 GB 10,000 RPM	Western Digital WD740ADFD 74 GB 10,000 RPM
NICs	NVIDIA MCP55 Pro Chipset Dual-Port Ethernet Controller	Intel PRO/1000 EB Network Dual Port Network Connection

Figure 5: Summary of some key aspects of the server configurations.

Intel configured and provided both servers.

With the following exceptions, we used the default BIOS settings on each server: on the Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s, we disabled the HW Prefetcher and Adjacent Cache Line Prefetcher. On the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs, we changed the OS installation option to Linux.

We began by installing a fresh copy of Red Hat Enterprise Linux v.4.4 on both servers. We installed each system with the default operating system (OS) installation options.

SPECjbb2005 configuration

We used SPECjbb2005 version 1.07, dated March 15, 2006. We followed SPEC's run rules. (For more information about SPECjbb2005 and its run rules, see www.spec.org/jbb2005/docs/RunRules.html.) We installed SPECjbb2005 by copying the contents of the SPECjbb2005 CD on the server's hard disk.

SPECjbb2005 requires a Java Virtual Machine (JVM) on the system under test. For both systems we used the BEA JRockit 5.0 (build P27.1.0-19-75699-1.5.0_10-20070125-1059-linux-x86_64) JVM. In all tests, we left the default benchmark installation settings.

After installation, as per the SPECjbb run rules we edited the SPECjbb_config.props file in the root SPECjbb2005 directory to include disclosure information about the server and our license information. SPECjbb2005 uses this file when generating the results output for each run. We also modified the SPECjbb.props file to change the number of JVM instances to two. This change allows a server to run two JVM instances during testing.

We created a shell script, which we placed in the root SPECjbb2005 directory of each server, to issue the Java run command to launch the benchmark. During testing, we used the terminal console window to run this shell script.

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🗉 taskset_run_multi.sh
Ele Edit View Insert Format Help
echo date
echo echo Setting OS tunning options echo 3200 > /proc/sys/vm/nr_hugepages mkdir -p /mnt/hugepages mount none /mnt/hugepages -t hugetlbfs chmod 777 /mnt/hugepages cat /proc/meminfo grep Huge
sleep 2
echo PATH=/jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/bin:\$PATH echo PATH="\$PATH"
echo java -version
sleep 1 echo date
JVM_OPTIONS="-Xms3000m -Xmx3000m -XXaggressive -XXthroughputCompaction -XXallocPrefetch -XXallocRedoPrefetch -XXcompressedRefs -XXlazyUnlocking -XXtlasize128k" echo echo Starting Controller ava -cp jbb.jar:check.jar -Xms256m -Xmx256m -Xgc:parallel spec.jbb.Controller -propfile SPECjbb.props &
sleep 5
echo "Starting instance 1" tasksetcpu-list 0,1 java -cp jbb.jar:check.jar \$JVM_OPTIONS spec.jbb.JBBmain -propfile SPECjbb.props -id 1 > multi.1 &
echo "Starting instance 2" tasksetcpu-list 2,3 java -cp jbb.jar:check.jar \$JVM_OPTIONS spec.jbb.JBBmain -propfile SPECjbb.props -id 2 > multi.2 &
date
For Help, press F1

Figure 6: The text of the shell script we used to execute the SPECjbb2005 benchmark on the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs.

Figure 6 shows the shell script we used for the Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs. Figure 7 shows the shell script we used for the Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s. We used the same Java options for both test servers. In each script, we set the following Java options:

- *-Xms3000m* This option sets the minimum heap size. We set the minimum and maximum heap sizes to be the same, so the heap size would stay a constant 3000MB.
- -*Xmx3000m* This option sets the maximum heap size.
- -XXaggressive This option basically tells the JVM to perform at maximum speed.
- *-XXthroughputCompaction* This option adjusts the compaction ratio dynamically based on live data in the heap.
- -XXallocPrefetch This option tells the JVM to prefetch a chunk of data when it uses a related, earlier bit of data.
- -XXallocRedoPrefetch This option also affects JVM prefetch behavior.
- -XXcompressedRefs This option turns on compressed references.
- -XXIazyUnlocking This option affects when the JVM releases locks.
- -XXtlasize128k This option sets the thread-local area size the JVM uses.

To improve Java performance, we enabled large pages in memory. To enable this service, we included the commands at the start of our shell script. We also used the "taskset" command on both servers to set processor affinity. While we used the same "taskset" command on both servers, we set the number of bound processors differently on the two systems because they have different numbers of logical processors.

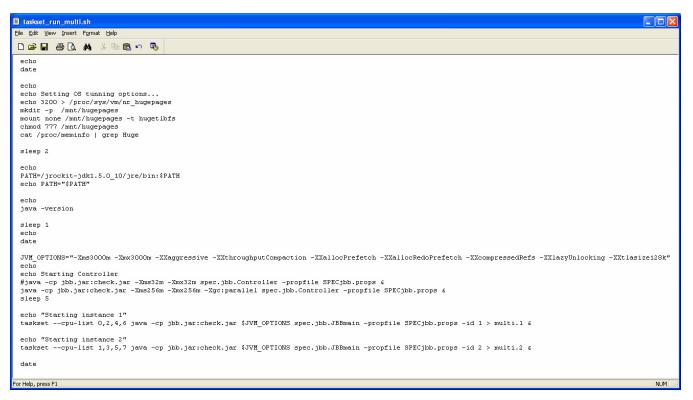


Figure 7: The text of the shell script we used to execute the SPECjbb2005 benchmark on the Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s.

Appendix A – Test server configuration information This appendix provides detailed configuration information about each of the test server systems, which we list in

alphabetical order.

Systems	Supermicro A+ Server 2021M- T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs	Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V with two Quad- Core Intel Xeon processor X5355s
General processor setup	•	
Number of processor packages	2	2
Number of cores per processor package	2	4
Number of hardware threads per core	1	1
CPU		
Vendor	AMD	Intel
Name	dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SE	Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355
Stepping	2	7
Socket type	F	LGA 771
Core frequency (GHz)	2.8 GHz	2.66 GHz
Front-side bus frequency (MHz)	2000 MHz HyperTransport	1333 MHz
L1 Cache	64 KB + 64 KB (per core)	32 KB + 32 KB (per core)
L2 Cache	2 x 1 MB	2 x 4MB (each 4MB shared by 2 cores)
Platform		
Vendor and model number	dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SE-based server	Quad-Core Intel Xeon processor X5355-based server
Motherboard model number	Super H8DME-2	Supermicro X7DBE+
Motherboard chipset	NVIDIA MCP55 Pro	Intel 5000P Chipset
Motherboard revision number	A2	92
Motherboard serial number	Q5785G16010104	TM66S06520
BIOS name and version	American Megatrends Inc. AMIBIOS 08.00.14 11/28/06	Phoenix BIOS DB8A026 Rev 1.1c
BIOS settings	OS installation Linux	HW Prefetcher disabled
Memory module(s)		
Vendor and model number	Hynix HYMP525P72BP4-Y5	Kingston KVR667D2D4F5/2G
Туре	PC-5300	PC2-5300 FBDIMM
Speed (MHz)	667 MHz	667 MHz
Speed in the system currently running @ (MHz)	667 MHz	667 MHz
Timing/Latency (tCL-tRCD-iRP- tRASmin)	5-5-5-15	5-5-5-15
Size	8186 MB	8196 MB
Number of RAM modules	4	4
Chip organization	Double-Sided	Double-Sided
Hard disk		
Vendor and model number	Western Digital Raptor WD740ADFD	Western Digital Raptor WD740ADFD
Number of disks in system	1	1
Size	74 GB	74 GB

Buffer Size	8 MB	8 MB
RPM	10,000	10,000
Туре	SATA	SATA
Controller	NVIDIA MCP55 Pro SATA2	Intel 3100 Chipset SATA
Controller	Controller	Controller
Controller driver	sata_nv	Ata_piix
Operating system		
Name	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4
Name	Advanced Server	Advanced Server
Build number	v.4.4	v.4.4
File system	Ext3	Ext3
Kernel	2.6.9-42.ELsmp	2.6.9-42.ELsmp
Language	English	English
Graphics		
Vendor and model number	ATI ES1000	ATI ES1000
Chipset	ATI ES1000 PCI	ATI ES1000 PCI
Туре	Integrated	Integrated
Resolution	1024 x 768	1024 x 768
Driver	ATI ES1000	ATI ES1000
Network card/subsystem		
Vendor and model number	NVIDIA MCP55 Pro Chipset Dual-	Intel PRO/1000 EB Network Dual
	Port Ethernet Controller	Port Network Connection
Туре	Integrated	Integrated
Driver	eth0	eth0
Optical drive		
Vendor and model number	Matshita DVD-ROM SR-8178	Matshita DVD-ROM SR-8178
Туре	DVD-ROM	CD/DVD
Interface	Internal	Internal
Dual/Single layer	Single	Single
USB ports		
Number	4	4
Туре	USB 2.0	USB 2.0

Figure 8: Detailed system configuration information for the test servers.

Appendix B – SPECjbb2005 output

This appendix provides the output of the benchmark for each of the test servers.

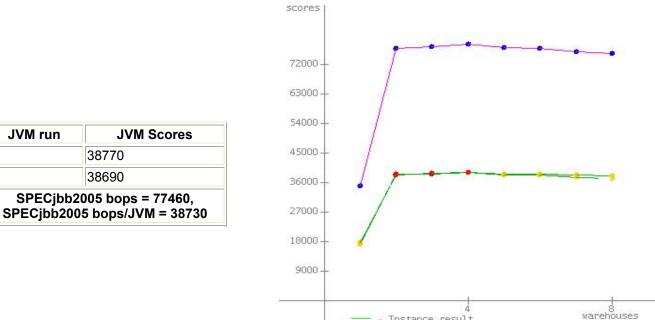
Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V with two dual-core AMD Opteron processor model 2220 SEs

SPECjbb2005

1 2

SPECjbb2005 bops = 77460, SPECjbb2005 bops/JVM = 38730

Supermicro A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V BEA JRockit(R) (build P27.1.0-19-75699-1.5.0_10-20070125-1059-linux-x86_64, compiled mode)



- Instance result - Aggregated result

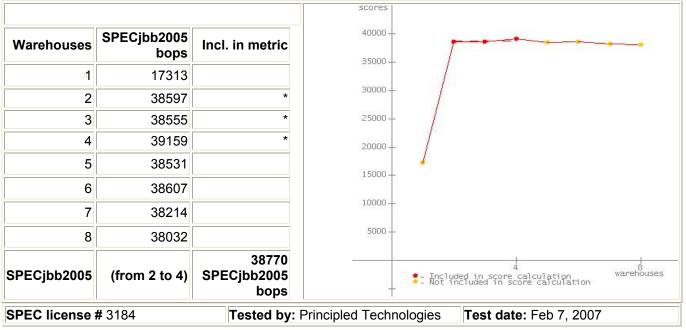
	Hardware		Software
Hardware	Supermicro	Software Vendor	BEA
Vendor	oupermicro	Vendor URL	http://www.bea.com
	http://www.supermicro.co		JRockit(R) (build P27.1.0-19-75699-1.5.0 10-
URL	<u>m</u>	JVM Version	20070125-1059-linux-x86_64)
Model	A+ Server 2021M-T2R+V		java -Xms3000m -Xmx3000m -XXaggressive -
Procesor	Dual-Core AMD Opteron	JVM Command	XXthroughputCompaction -XXallocPrefetch -
110003301	2220 SE	Line	XXallocRedoPrefetch -XXcompressedRefs -
MHz	2800		XXIazyUnlocking -XXtlasize128k
# of Chips	2	JVM Initial Heap	3000
# of Cores	2	Memory (MB)	
# of	2	JVM Maximum Heap Memory	3000
Cores/Chip	2	(MB)	5000
HW	No	JVM Address bits	64
Threading			
		JVM CLASSPATH	job.jar.

Enabled?			check.jar
Procs Avail to Java	4		/jrockit- jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/jrockit1.5.0.jar: /jrockit-
Memory (MB)	8196		jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/managementapi.j ar:
Memory Details	4 x 2GB PC2-5300 ECC registered	JVM BOOTCLASSPAT	/jrockit- jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/jmxmapi.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0 10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/rmp.jar:
Primary cache	64KBI+64KBD (per core)	H	/jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/rt.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/rt.jar:
Secondary cache	2 x 1MB		/jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/sunrsasign.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/jsse.jar:
Other cache	N/A		/jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/jce.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/charsets.jar:
Filesystem	ext3		/jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/classes
Disks	1 x 73GB SATA	OS Version	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 update 4
Other hardware		Other software	

Test Information		AOT Compilation
Tested by	Principled Technologies	Tuning
SPEC license #	3184	i anng
Test location	Durham, NC	
Test date	Feb 7, 2007	Notes
H/w available		
JVM available	2007	
OS available		
Other s/w available		

JVM 1 Scores:

No errors. Valid run.



JVM 2 Scores:

No errors. Valid run.

			scores
Warehouses	SPECjbb2005 bops	Incl. in metric	35000 -
1	17648		
2	38261	*	30000 -
3	38824	*	25000 -
4	38986	*	20000 -
5	38387		15000
6	38242		
7	37574		10000 -
8	37188		5000
SPECjbb2005	(from 2 to 4)	38690 SPECjbb2005 bops	- Included in score calculation warehouses
SPEC license	# 3184	Tested by:	Principled Technologies Test date: Feb 7, 2007

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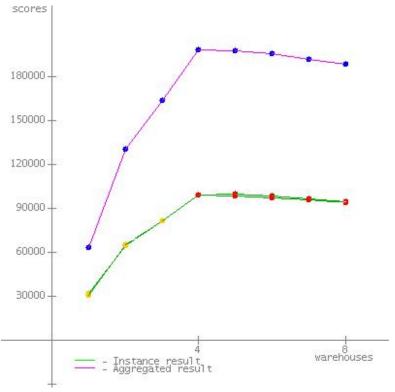
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SPECjbb2005

SPECjbb2005 bops = 194688, SPECjbb2005 bops/JVM = 97344

Supermicro SuperServer 6025B-TR+V BEA JRockit(R) (build P27.1.0-19-75699-1.5.0_10-20070125-1059-linux-x86_64, compiled mode)

JVM r	run JVM Scores
1	96848
2	97840
	;jbb2005 bops = 194688, bb2005 bops/JVM = 97344



Hardware		Software	
Hardware Vendor	Supermicro	Software Vendor	BEA
		Vendor URL	http://www.bea.com
Vendor URL	<u>http://www.supermicro.co</u> <u>m</u>	JVM Version	JRockit(R) (build P27.1.0-19-75699-1.5.0_10- 20070125-1059-linux-x86_64)
Model	SuperServer 6025B-TR+V		java -Xms3000m -Xmx3000m -XXaggressive - XXthroughputCompaction -XXallocPrefetch - XXallocRedoPrefetch -XXcompressedRefs -
Processor	Quad-Core Intel Xeon X5355	JVM Command Line	
MHz	2660		XXlazyUnlocking -XXtlasize128k
# of Chips	2	JVM Initial Heap	3000
# of Cores	4	Memory (MB)	
# of Cores/Chip	4	JVM Maximum Heap Memory (MB)	3000
HW Threading	No	JVM Address bits	64
Enabled?		JVM CLASSPATH	jbb.jar:

Procs			check.jar
Avail to Java	8		/jrockit- jdk1.5.0 10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/jrockit1.5.0.jar:
Memory (MB)	8196		/jrockit- jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/managementapi.j ar: /jrockit- jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/jmxmapi.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/amd64/jrockit/rmp.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/it3n.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/it3n.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/jsse.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/jsse.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/jce.jar: /jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/lib/charsets.jar:
Memory Details	4 x 2GB PC2-5300 ECC registered	JVM BOOTCLASSPAT H	
Primary cache	32KBI+32KBD (per core)		
	2 x 4MB (each 4MB shared by 2 cores)		
Other cache	N/A		
Filesystem	ext3		
Disks	1 x 73GB SATA		/jrockit-jdk1.5.0_10/jre/classes
Other		OS Version	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 update 4
hardware		Other software	

Test Information		AOT Compilation	
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Test location	Durham, NC		
Test date	Feb 6, 2007	Notes	
H/w available			
JVM available	2007		
OS available			
Other s/w available			

JVM 1 Scores:

No errors. Valid run.

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		20000 +
95696	*	
97011	*	4
98311	*	40000 -
99056	*	
81937		60000 - /
64912		
32221		80000 -
SPECjbb2005 bops	Incl. in metric	
	bops 32221 64912 81937 99056 98311 97011	bops Incl. In metric 32221

JVM 2 Scores:

No errors. Valid run.

Warehouses	SPECjbb2005 bops	Incl. in metric	
1	31045		80000-
2	65569		
3	81777		60000 - /
4	99517	*	
5	99662	*	40000 -
6	98824	*	4
7	96439	*	20000 -
8	94760	*	
SPECjbb2005	(from 4 to 8)	97840 SPECjbb2005 bops	 Included in score calculation warehouses Not included in score calculation
SPEC license	# 3184	Tested by	Principled Technologies Test date: Feb 6, 2007

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