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Success Story

Fortune 1000 Insurance Company

Automating Mainframe as Part
of a Hybrid IT Environment

**Fortune 1000
Insurer**



This transformation is a textbook example of how organizations in highly regulated industries can modernize legacy systems without a disruptive rip-and-replace approach. With Stonebranch, this insurer didn't have to choose between the reliability of its mainframe and the agility of the cloud — it now enjoys the best of both worlds, orchestrated seamlessly.



Challenges

Legacy Mainframe Scheduler Lacked Hybrid Cloud Support

A leading Fortune 1000 insurance company faced mounting pressure to modernize its IT infrastructure. With customer expectations shifting toward digital-first experiences, the IT operations team was tasked with transforming legacy systems — centered around a traditional mainframe scheduler — into a modern hybrid IT environment.

Designed for a pre-cloud era, the incumbent tool operated in isolation, lacked API-based extensibility, and couldn't integrate with modern platforms like AWS or Microsoft Azure. This created silos that slowed cloud adoption and limited the ability to deliver new services.

The insurer needed a future-proof solution that could:

- Seamlessly integrate mainframe, cloud, and on-premises environments.
- Support real-time, event-driven automation.
- Eliminate inefficiencies and centralize orchestration across the enterprise.

“Stonebranch gave us the bridge between our legacy and modern IT environments. Today, we run automated workflows that span our z/OS mainframe, AWS, and beyond — all from one platform.”

Senior IT Director
Anonymous Insurance
Customer

Results

- Centralized orchestration across mainframe, cloud, and on-prem
- Accelerated cloud adoption with AWS and Azure
- Reduced complexity and cost by eliminating legacy tools
- Increased agility via real-time, event-driven automation
- Improved compliance and reliability in a regulated environment

The Solution

Hybrid Cloud Orchestration with Stonebranch UAC

The insurer turned to Stonebranch Universal Automation Center (UAC) to future-proof its workload automation strategy. With UAC, the IT operations team gained a single pane of glass to orchestrate jobs across:

- IBM z/OS mainframes
- AWS and Azure cloud services
- On-prem Linux and Windows servers
- Enterprise data pipelines and managed file transfers

Using Stonebranch's agent-based and agentless architecture, UAC provides native integration with both legacy mainframe environments and cloud-native platforms. The Universal Integration Platform enables fast connectivity to third-party applications via APIs, SDKs, and reusable integration templates. With Stonebranch, the insurer achieves:

- **Mainframe Modernization:** UAC automates legacy batch jobs while seamlessly integrating them into larger hybrid workflows.
- **Event-Driven Automation:** Workflows trigger in real-time based on business or IT events, rather than rigid time schedules.
- **Self-Service Enablement:** Business users and developers trigger and monitor jobs from a centralized portal without needing mainframe expertise.
- **Cross-Platform Visibility:** Unified dashboards provided complete observability into all automated processes — mainframe, cloud, and beyond.



The Results

Best of Both Worlds: Orchestration Across the Entire Enterprise

By transitioning to Stonebranch UAC, the insurer transformed its approach to workload automation and orchestration:

- **Centralized Hybrid IT Orchestration:** Gained full visibility and control across mainframe and cloud environments from a single platform.
- **Accelerated Cloud Adoption:** Freed IT teams to migrate and manage workloads in AWS and Azure without being constrained by mainframe scheduler limitations.
- **Reduced Complexity and Cost:** Eliminated multiple automation tools, reduced manual processes, and lowered overall infrastructure management overhead.
- **Improved Business Agility:** Real-time event-driven automation allowed the insurer to deliver new digital services faster.
- **Compliance and Reliability:** Standardized automation improved auditability and reduced operational risk in a highly regulated industry.

ABOUT STONEBRANCH

Stonebranch builds IT orchestration and automation solutions that transform business IT environments from simple IT task automation into sophisticated, real-time business service automation. No matter the degree of automation, the Stonebranch platform is simple, modern, and secure.

Using the Stonebranch Universal Automation Center, enterprises can seamlessly orchestrate workloads and data across technology ecosystems and silos. Stonebranch serves some of the world's largest financial, manufacturing, healthcare, travel, transportation, energy, and technology institutions.



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