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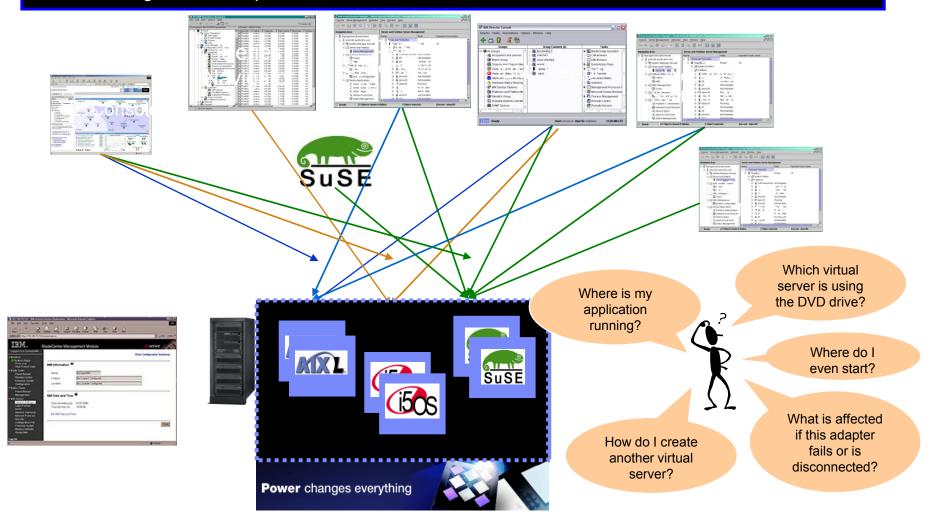
Overview - IBM Systems Director family

- What is it? What is the value on Z?
- Topology
- Product Overview Base functions
- z/VM Center Extension
 - Overview and Topology
 - Manageability Access Point (MAP) for z/VM
 - CIM Instrumentation
 - Assisted Install
 - z/VM Center Tasks
 - Virtual Server Deployment
 - Server Complexes
 - Utility Service Configuration Manager
- IBM Director Extension: Software Distribution Premium Edition
- IBM Director and Tivoli Provisioning Manager (TPM) integration
- Summary, Additional Information & Documentation



What skill does it take to do basic management tasks?

We have many tools, but they are not coordinated and require deep, unique skills for each platform and virtualization technology. Even basic management tasks require using multiple, unrelated tools – even for a single hardware platform.



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What is IBM Director?

- IBM Director is a management solution for heterogeneous IT environments
 - Operating Systems
 - Linux running on System z / i / p / x
 - i5/OS and AIX
 - Windows
 - Physical & Virtual resources
 - BladeCenter / Storage Devices
 - z/VM, p HMC/LPAR, Xen, VMWare
- IBM Director provides base platform management ...
 - ... and integrates into higher-level Tivoli management stacks e.g.
 - Tivoli Provisioning Manager,
 - Tivoli Monitoring (on System z known as OMEGAMON)
 - Tivoli Configuration Manager

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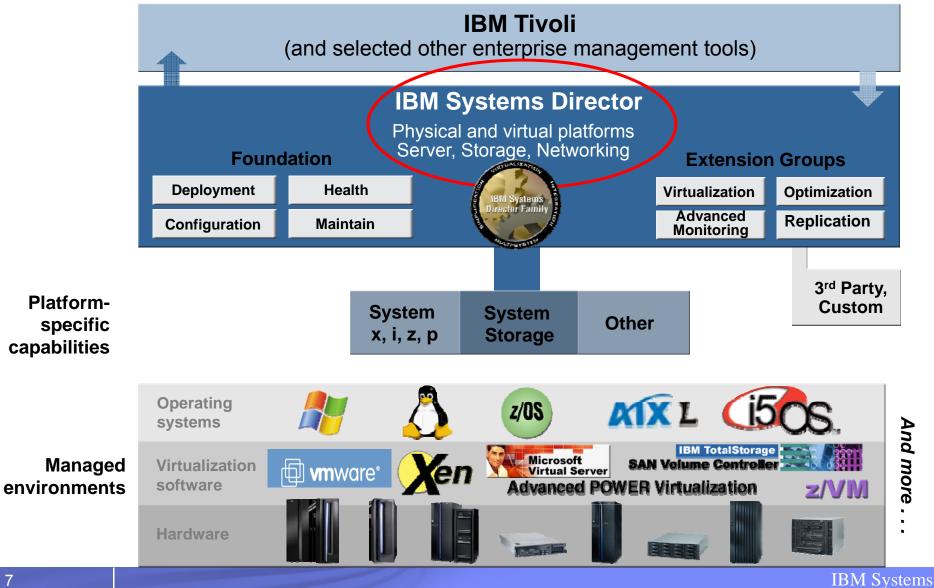
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Overall Picture

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IBM Director for Linux on System z

IBM Director for Linux on System Z is a full member of the IBM Systems Director family, delivering:

- IBM Director Server, Console and Agent to run on Linux on System z
- Free of charge core / base functions: discovery, inventory, monitor, alert, etc.
 common to all IBM systems
- **Extensions**: z/VM Center, Software Distribution Premium Edition
- Upgrade options to Service Management solutions from Tivoli





IBM Director for Linux on System z – Value

Simplified administration of enterprise wide IT, including z/VM Linux systems

- Consistent tool set across IBM platforms can reduce need for system specific administration skill
- Administration of z/VM virtual guests is like for any other server

Automation of z/VM Linux guest system deployment

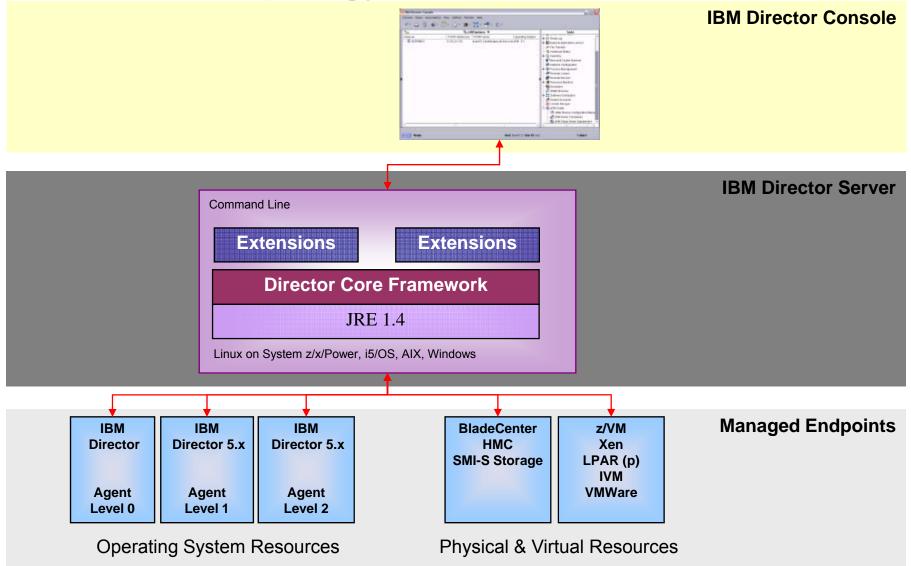
- Template-based deployment of test and development systems, managed via IBM Director console GUI
- Flexible management of z/VM virtual servers based on industry CIM (Common Information Model) standard

Platform management with upgrade path to IBM Tivoli solutions on System z

- Easy start start with one product only to get the basic systems management functions
- Grow into comprehensive IBM Service Management solutions like IBM Tivoli Monitoring (ITM) and OMEGAMON[®]



Director 5.x Topology



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Product Overview

IBM Director base functions for Linux on System z

- Discovery
- Group Management
- Inventory
- Basic Resource Monitor
- Event Action Plan
- Process Management
- Remote Session
- File Transfer
- Network Configuration
- Software Distribution
- SNMP Browser

z/VM Center

- Utility Service Configuration Manager
- z/VM Virtual Server Deployment
- z/VM Server Complexes

Software Distribution Premium Edition

SW package distribution

IBM Director for Linux on System z, Version 5.2 - PID: 5648-DR1

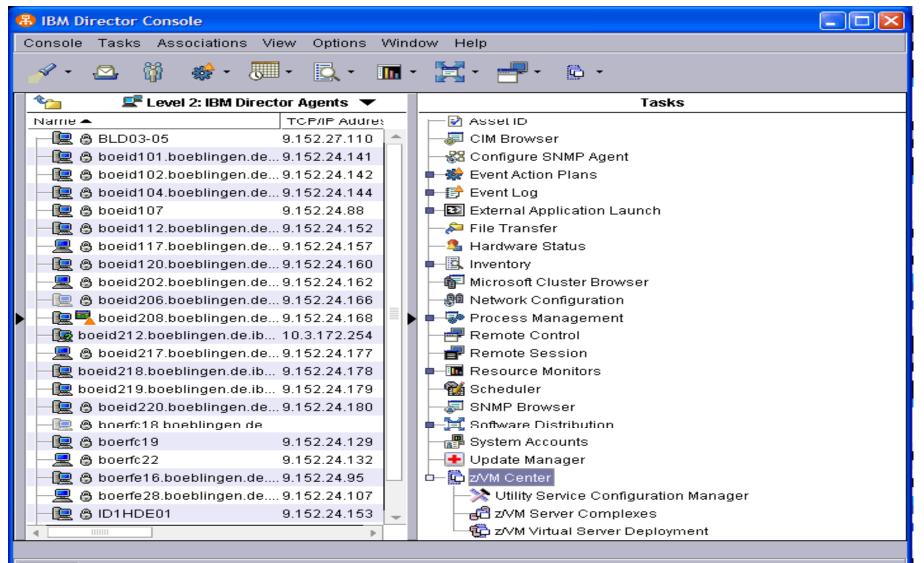
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Base Management – Linux on System z

Supported Operating System	
Linux on zSeries	Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS, Version 4.0 Novell SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9 (Service Pack 2) & 10
Supported Task	
Discovery	Discovery of managed systems (agent-less system [level 0]), systems with core services (level 1), IBM Director agents (level 2) (incl. z/VM), SNMP agents, and more – see topology overview
Group Management	Create and manage dynamic and static groups of systems in order to get control over discovered systems (e.g., to apply IBM Director task to groups) - z/VM Systems and z/VM Server Complexes groups are provided
Inventory	Inventory (SW, HW fixes,) of discovered systems
Resource Monitors	Define / view resource monitors for systems/ groups and set thresholds (e.g., disk, memory usage, CPU usage)
Event Action Plan/Log	Define event filters and associated actions for resource monitors and process monitors
Process Management	View/ start/ stop/ monitor processes (e.g. CPU or memory utilization); execute commands and create schedulable tasks (e.g. cleanup or backup process)



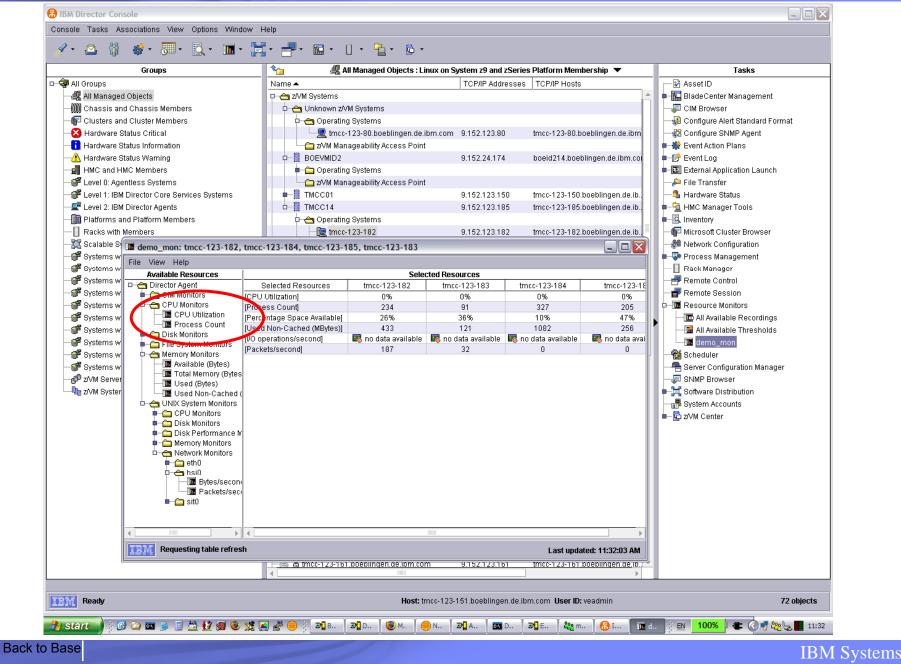
Base Management – Linux on System z

Supported Task

Remote Session	Establish command line sessions (ssh/telnet) with remote system
File Transfer	Transfer files between management server and managed systems (e.g., to synchronize files, directories, configurations)
CIM Browser	Plain browsing through CIMOM of CIM instrumentation on managed system
SNMP Browser	View SNMP information and set SNMP attributes
Scheduler	Schedule and monitor non-interactive management tasks (e.g. Backup process)
Network Configuration	Information about the network configuration
System Accounts	Management of Linux User IDs on managed systems (create / change User IDs and passwords, manage groups, expiration settings)
Software Distribution	Deployment of RPMs for IBM Director agents into Linux systems or groups
	- New with V5.20: Software Distribution Premium Edition

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z/VM Center Extension



Product Overview – z/VM Center

IBM Director base functions for Linux on System z

- Discovery
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z/VM Center

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Software Distribution Premium Edition

SW package distribution

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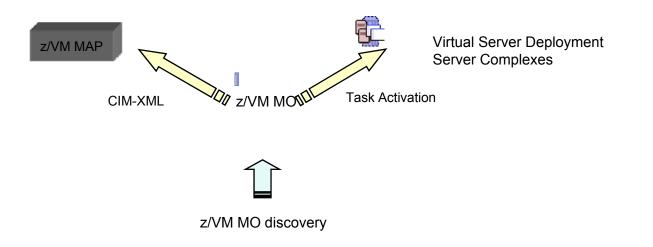
What is the Idea behind z/VM Center?

- Idea:
 - Management of z/VM
 - Management of Linux guest operating systems with IBM Director
- Today: z/VM Center extension provides access to the provisioning capabilities of z/VM
- z/VM Manageability Access Point (MAP)
 - Linux system providing out-of-band access to z/VM management
 - Uses Systems Management APIs for z/VM
- z/VM Center is a client that exploits the management interface of the z/VM MAP

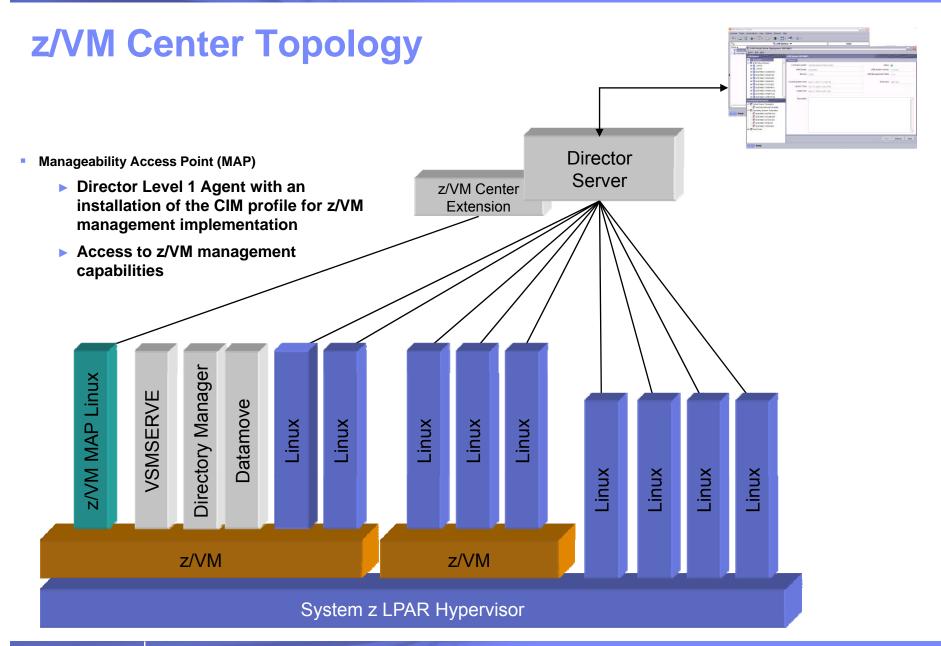


About z/VM Managed Objects ...

- z/VM Managed Objects ...
 - Model z/VM operating systems as user-perceivable entities
 - Provide basic z/VM system information
 - Negotiates CIM communication to the z/VM MAP
 - Start point to launch z/VM Center Tasks

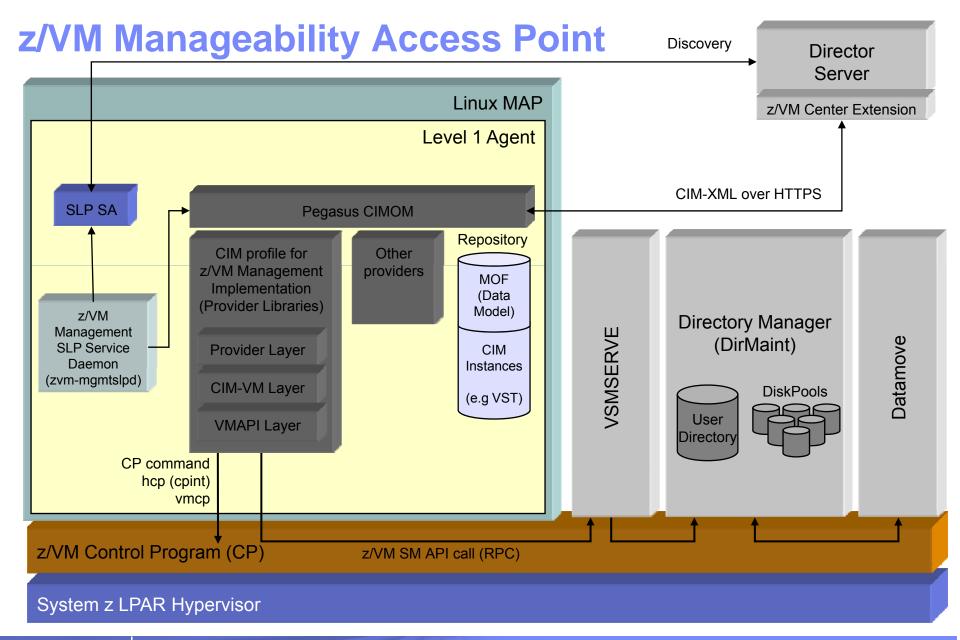






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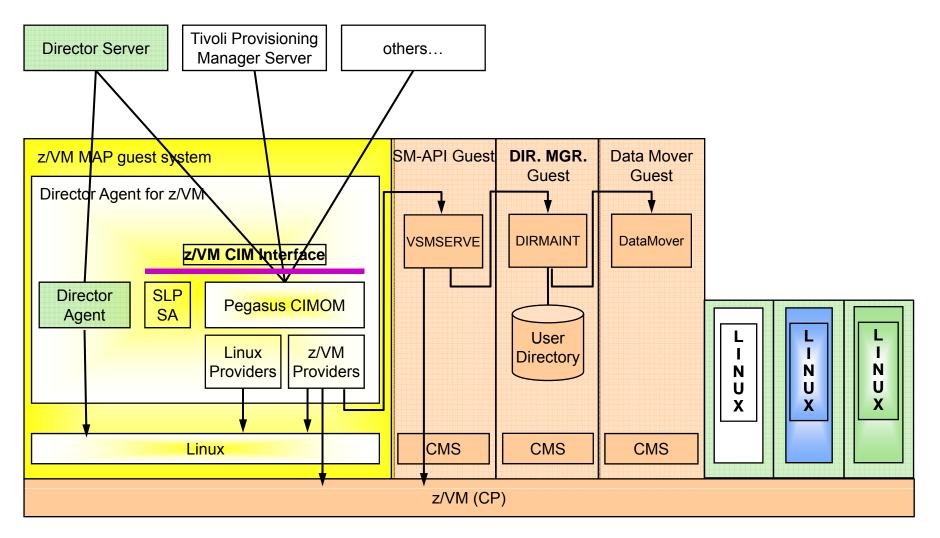




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Management Access Point (MAP) - CIM Instrumentation of z/VM (additional backup chart)



Back to z/VM



z/VM Center Tasks

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z/VM Center Task Overview

- **1.** Virtual Server Deployment VSD (per z/VM instance)
 - Capture and Deploy Linux operating systems into Virtual Servers
- 2. Server Complexes SC (per z/VM instance)
 - Provisioning into a property-enforced environment
- **3.** Utility Service Configuration Manager
 - Ease-of-use application deployment and configuration (via HTTP or CIM)
- 4. Assisted Installation for z/VM MAP (3270 based application)
 - **REXX script based installation with autoyast and kickstart**

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1) Virtual Server Deployment

- General z/VM information
- Basic Virtual Server 'Lifecycle' management
- Virtual Server Template management
- Capturing of Operating System Templates (OST)
- Creation of virtual servers and deployment of Operating System templates



z/VM Center – Task 'Virtual Server Deployment'

Supported Operating System

Linux on zSeries	Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS, Version 4.0 Novell SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9 (Service Pack 2) & 10
z/VM	z/VM 5.2 or 5.3, requires DirMaint – see z/VM Center set-up
Virtual Server Deployment - Basic	provisioning of virtual guests on z/VM
z/VM System Status	List existing virtual servers (virtual guests) running under the selected z/VM system + properties of virtual servers
Templates	Use templates to provision new z/VM virtual server and Linux operating systems Templates can be created as snap-shot of existing virtual servers or Linux systems, or defined new via a wizard
Create virtual server under z/VM	Use virtual server template to provision new virtual server
Deploy Linux operating system	Use operating system template to provision Linux operating system

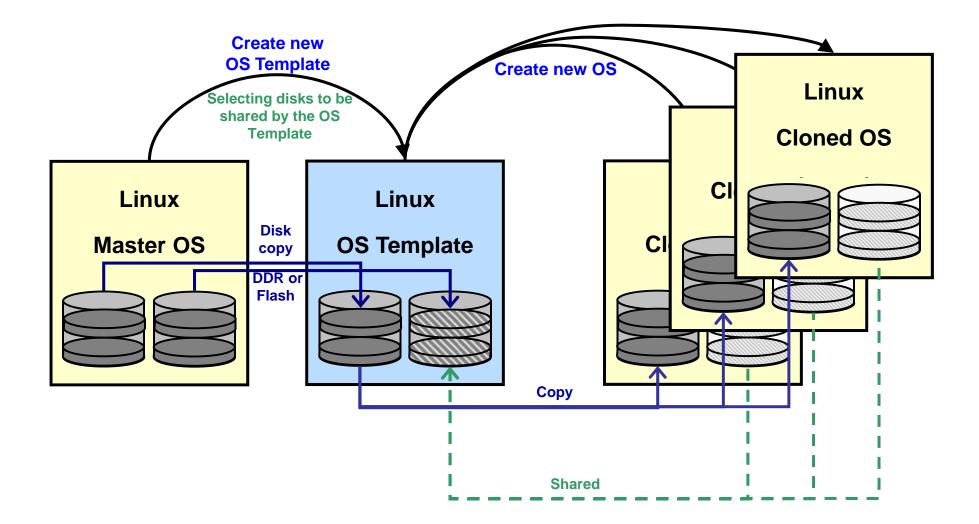


Five Steps to your own z/VM Virtual Server

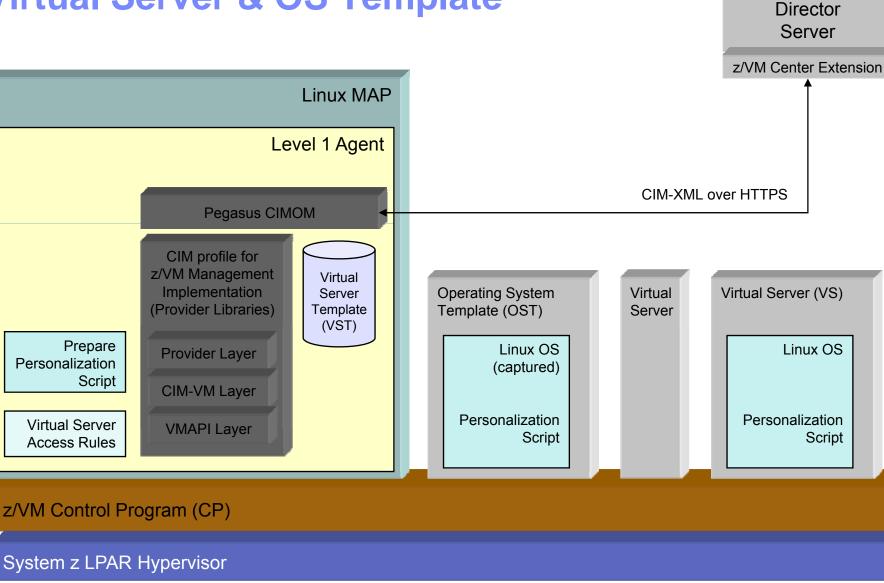
- **1.** Register a manually installed Linux guest operating system with z/VM Center
- 2. Capture this Linux guest operating system by creating a new Operating System Template (OST)
- **3.** Create a Virtual Server Template
 - Specify main memory sizes, number of CPUs, ...
- 4. Create a new z/VM Virtual Server based on this template
- 5. Deploy the OST into the newly created z/VM Virtual Server
 - Specify network settings



The Concept of Operating System Templates

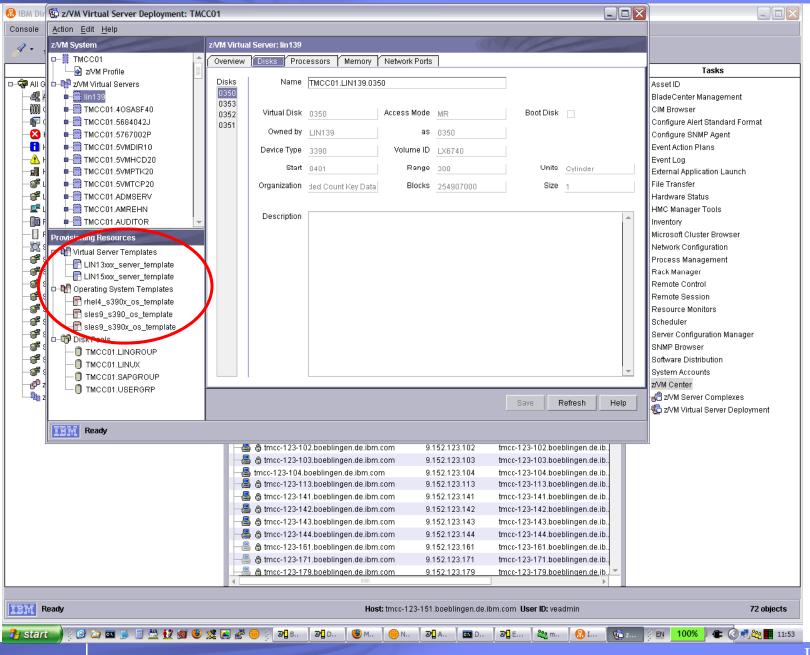






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Operating System Template

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2) Server Complexes

- Represents a (possibly) multi-tier grouping of virtual servers
- Each tier can have specific properties and/or common properties of the Server Complex
 - Configuration settings can be predefined
- Configuration properties are:
 - Control of VM resource assignments (uses z/VM's Virtual Machine Resource Manager SM APIs)
 - Definition of virtual networking
 - Definition of additional minidisks



z/VM Center – Task 'Server Complexes'

Server Complexes – Ease-of-use Virtual Server Deployment

- Automates configuration of z/VM Linux guests
- Configuration settings can be predefined via the properties of a server complex
- Every Linux guest which is added/cloned to a server complex, is configured according to these properties
 - taking care of the underlying z/VM as well as Linux configuration

Fast cloning

- Virtual Server Deployment with predefined configuration settings
- z/VM Linux guest systems creation with minimal manual interaction

Customization

Personalization of clones via scripts

Reduced failures

- Configuration consistency (z/VM and Linux) is controlled:
 - Deviations are listed
 - Consistent configuration is applied

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z/VM Center – Server Complexes

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Server Complexes - Ease-of-use Virtu	ual Server Deployment
Tiers/Guests in a Server Complex	Server Complexes are defined per z/VM; they predefine the configuration settings of multiple Linux virtual servers – every tier in a Server Complex might represent its own different configuration settings
Configuration Properties	Allows predefinition of network settings (LAN, VSwitch, OSA), minidisks and z/VM resource allocations to tiers within a Server Complex
Cloning	Multiple instances of Linux operating systems can be deployed without interaction for configuration specification



3) Utility Service Configuration Manager

- Ease-of-use application deployment & configuration
 - Application installation and customization steps are prepared
 - User can do application installation & configuration without specific knowledge of underlying OS
- Fast, easy deployment of applications
 - Prepared application installation and customization instructions/software packages
 - Deployment via Software Distribution Premium Edition (prerequisite)
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 - Configuration settings can be changed from remote

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z/VM Center – Task 'Utility Service Configuration Manager ' & Software Distribution Premium Edition

Utility Service – Ease-of- use application deployment and configuration

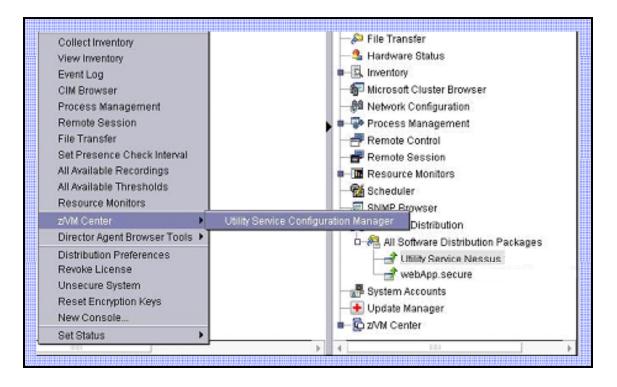
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Fast, easy deployment of applications

- Prepared application installation and customization instructions/software packages
- Deployment via Software Distribution Premium Edition

Easy customization of application configuration

- Configuration settings can be changed from remote
- Configuration menu in IBM Director Console (CIM based) or in launched browser





IBM Director Extension - 'Software Distribution Premium Edition'

Keep IT Environment up-to-date

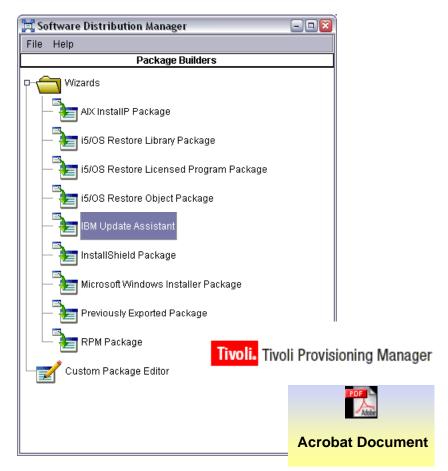
- 'Software distribution' part of the base management functions of IBM Director allows to distribute IBMprovided software packages
- Premium Edition enables to both build and distribute own software packages

Easy creation and distribution of software packages

- Wizards support the build of different software distribution packages
- Rich set of supported software distribution packages – see screen shot
- Flexible distribution options
 - to individual systems or groups of systems
 - at a scheduled date and time
- Streaming and redirection methods of distributing software

Re-use of software packages

 Exported software package can be imported to Tivoli Provisioning Manager for Software





4) Assisted Installation for z/VM MAP

- 3270 application assists the user during the initial installation of the MAP system (scripts)
- Characteristics:
 - z/VM guest must be created manually for installation (z/VM 5.3 provides a predefined guest definition for the MAP)
 - 3270 panels guide the user through necessary installation steps
 - Linux distro type, Network settings, Guest & FTP parameters...
 - Linux installation is driven by AutoYaST and KickStart from Linux images available on a FTP server
 - User can select among different install scenarios: MAP w/ or w/o L2 agent, Director server, etc.



MAP to z/VM – Assisted Install (additional backup chart)

Get the set-up and configuration of the z/VM MAP Linux system right the first time

Install the Linux operating system incl. IBM Director Agent and/or Server "out of the box" via delivered:

- Scripts (REXX and bash) and
- Configuration files (kickstart and autoyast)

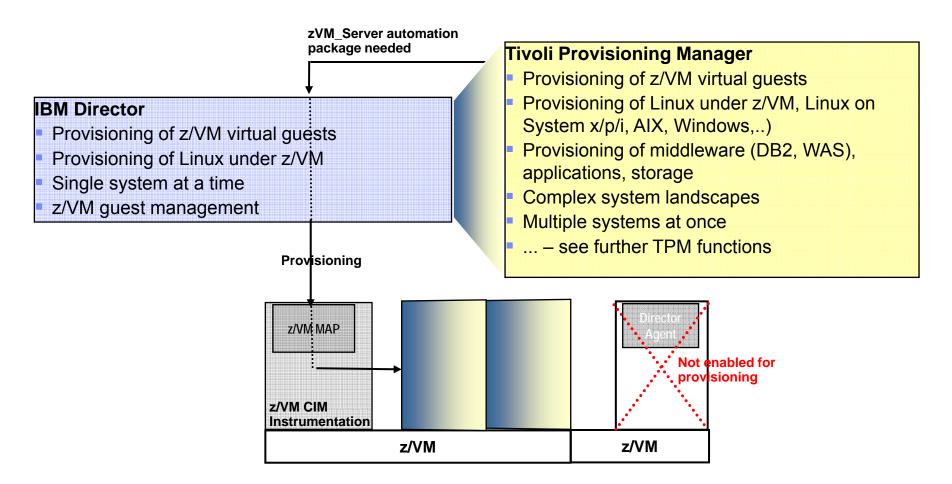
z/VM guest has to be created manually for installation

User dialog asks administrator for installation related parameters

- Linux distribution type (SLES vs. RHEL)
- Network setting of the new guest (IP address, hostname, gateway, virtual network ports etc.)
- Guest user parameters (user ID, minidisk address for the new Linux)
- FTP parameters
 - (server, path, ftp account) where the Linux distributors CDs are available
 - (server, path, ftp account) where the IBM Director installation CD is available
 - (server, path) where the autoinst/kickstart configuration files are available
- Time zone, locale
- Installation timeout



IBM Director + TPM – Integration Architecture



z/VM Manageability Access Point (MAP) = z/VM set-up needed for provisioning of z/VM Linux

- Set-up only once
- Leveraged by IBM Director and Tivoli Provisioning Manager (TPM)



Summary

IBM Director for Linux on System z

- Is part of IBM Systems Director family the unified family of platform management tools for managing
 - Physical and virtual resources together, servers, storage, networking, IBM and compatible non-IBM resources
 - With seamless integration into IBM Service Management offerings from Tivoli
- Supports System z virtualization leadership with z/VM
 - Attractive GUI reduces skill requirement for z/VM administration
 - Enables an easy start start with one product only to get the basic systems management functions
 - Enables fast and easy provisioning of new z/VM Linux systems



Additional Information and Documentation

IBM Director for Linux on System z website: http://www.vm.ibm.com/sysman/director/

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http://www-306.ibm.com/common/ssi/rep_ca/4/897/ENUS206-294/ENUS206-294.PDF

- IBM Director (cross platform) website: http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/management/director/index.html
- IBM Director extension z/VM Center

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