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Best Practices for Install/Update of WebSphere Application Server V8.x Full Profile - Using Installation Manager

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Agenda

- Overview of IBM® Installation Manager
- Repositories Concepts
- Important Directories
- Install Options (Graphical, Silent and Command mode)
- Best Practices and Common Problems
- Mustgather Data
- Questions and Answers



Introduction - Installation Manager (IM)

- IBM® Installation Manager (IM) is an application that simplifies downloading, installing, updating, and uninstalling many IBM software products from a single user interface
- A single instance of IBM Installation Manager can manage the product life cycle for any IBM Installation Manager based product from WebSphere[®], Rational[®], Lotus[®] and any other brand within IBM
- Provides a full graphical user interface for distributed platforms (excluding z/OS[®] and IBM i systems)
- Provides a utility for all platforms to perform install operations silently, using either command-line options or a response file
- Operates on the local system where IBM products are installed, and can pull repositories from a remote system





Repositories Concepts

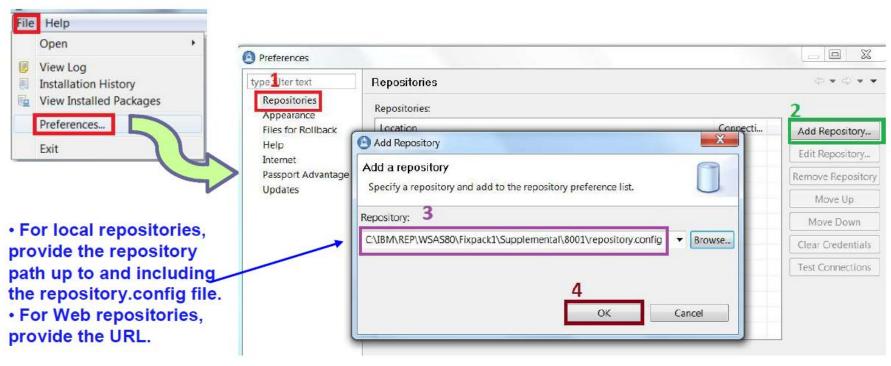


Repositories

- Repositories are collections of files in a directory structure that contain product installation metadata and files
- IBM Installation Manager repository contains the full content required to install on various platforms, operating systems and so on
- Repository topologies can be generalized in three categories:
 - Public repository (Web repository) publicly accessible using a URL, typically on ibm.com
 - Local repository that is used by a single system and not shared with others
 - ▶ Enterprise repository created in-house, typically exists behind the firewall and is accessed only by systems within the enterprise intranet
- IBM Packaging Utility is available to copy offerings from one repository to another and retrieve offerings from remote repositories



Add repository to Installation Manager



Alternatively, repositories can be added to response file for silent install mode

```
<server>
<repository location='/opt/IBM/wasdepot/WAS/WAS8_ND/repository'/>
<repository location='/opt/IBM/wasdepot/WAS/WAS8_ND/supplements_V8'/>
</server>
```

For Command line – repositories <PATH TO REPOSITORIES> can be used with imcl command

Repositories for V8.5.5

- Public (Web) repository Connecting to the public repository allows a product to be downloaded directly from ibm.com using Installation Manager. It's available for clients entitled with Passport Advantage
 - Example URLs for different editions of V8.5:
 NOTE: These 3 URLs should be added to IM and cannot be accessed via Browser.
 http://www.ibm.com/software/repositorymanager/com.ibm.websphere.BASE.v85
 http://www.ibm.com/software/repositorymanager/com.ibm.websphere.EXPRESS.v85
 - Complete List: https://ibm.biz/BdX943

NOTE: You can add Passport Advantage credentials to IM and should be able to list WAS offerings. IM should have access to Internet

 Local repository – The repository is downloaded locally to the system prior to running Installation Manager

Local repositories – WAS v8.5.5

- For guidance on the repositories ("part numbers") to download, visit:
 http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27038624
- Download the part numbers grouped together for an offering
- 32-bit and 64-bit editions are bundled in the same download (no longer separate)
- AIX®, HP-UX®, Linux®, Solaris™, and Windows® editions are included in same download

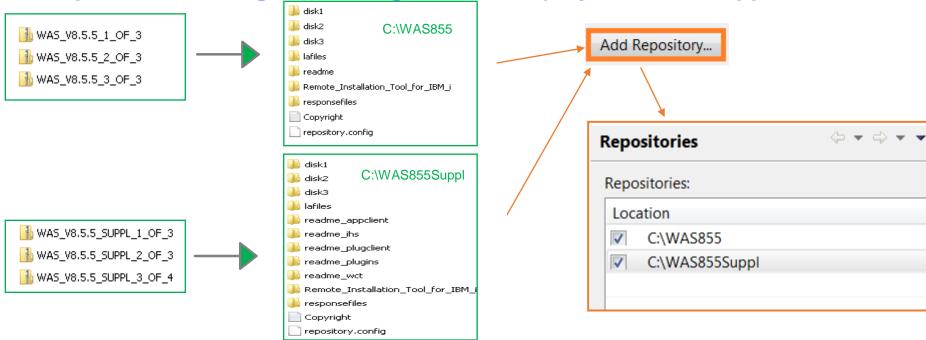
Example of Network Deployment and Supplemental offerings:

| Base Network Deployment Express Developers Liberty Core | |
|--|---|
| IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V8.5.5 (1 of 3) for Multiplatform, Multillingual | CIK2HML |
| IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V8.5.5 (2 of 3) for Multiplatform, Multilingual | CIK2IML Network Deployment |
| IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V8.5.5 (3 of 3) for Multiplatform, Multilingual | CIK2JML |
| IBM WebSphere Application Server V8.5.5 Supplements (1 of 3) for Multiplatform, Multilingual IBM WebSphere Application Server V8.5.5 Supplements (2 of 3) for Multiplatform, Multilingual IBM WebSphere Application Server V8.5.5 Supplements (3 of 3) for Multiplatform, Multilingual | CIK1VML CIK1XML IHS / AppClient/ Plugin |
| IBM WebSphere SDK Java Technology Edition V7.0 (1 of 3) Multiplatform, Multilingual (for WebSphere Application Server V8.5.5) IBM WebSphere SDK Java Technology Edition V7.0 (2 of 3) Multiplatform, Multilingual (for WebSphere Application Server V8.5.5) | CIUC7ML JAVA™ 7.0 (optional) |
| IBM WebSphere SDK Java Technology Edition V7.0 (3 of 3) Multiplatform, Multilingual (for WebSphere Application Server V8.5.5) | CIUC9ML |

Extracting installation repositories

- Extract all zip files for the offering to the same directory
- Don't extract files for different offerings to same directory

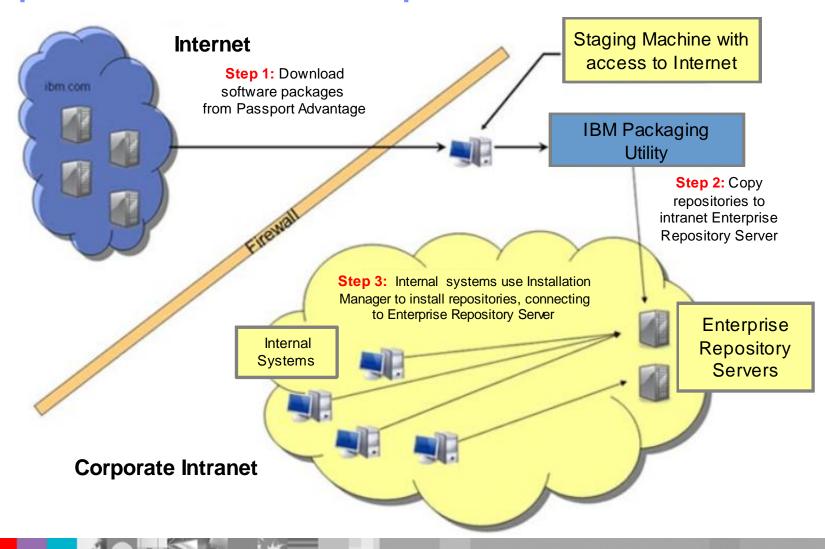
Example for extracting and adding Network Deployment and Supp. to IM:



 It is okay to unzip repository files on one system (such as Windows) and move them to a different system (such as Linux) later

NOTE: Installation Manager's installer files should be extracted directly on the targeted system

Repositories in Enterprise



The IBM Packaging Utility

- The IBM Packaging Utility (PU) is a free companion tool to Installation Manager
- IBM Packaging Utility and IBM Installation Manager can be used independently of each other
- IBM Packaging Utility capabilities:
 - Generate a new repository containing one or more product repositories
 - Delete packages from an existing repository, such as unneeded fix pack levels
 - Combine a split repository into a single repository (important for servers)
 - Can extract offerings for a single operating system from a large repository, producing a smaller "platformscoped" repository
 - Repositories can be made available to your own organization using a Web Server or FTP Server
 - Hosting a single repository containing multiple packages means fewer repositories need to be added to Installation Manager's preferences
 - For more details on how to create Enterprise Repositories you can review WSTE: Managing Repositories for Installation of WebSphere Application Server V8 http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27023967



Platform-scoped Repositories

- IBM Packaging Utility V1.5.1 offers a to create "platform-scoped repositories"
 - The packages for an offering on a specific operating system and architecture can be extracted from one repository and copied into a different repository
 - The resulting repository is a "platform-scoped repository"; that is, it contains an offering meant for a specific platform
 - Please see the WebSphere Install Architect's article for complete details: http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/websphere/library/techarticles/1201_se elemann/1201_seelemann.html
- WebSphere Application Server V8.x platform-scoped repositories are significantly smaller than the full standard V8.x installation repositories

PUCL command with -platform parameter

pucl copy packageID_version -acceptLicense -repositories SOURCE_PATHS
-target TARGET_PATH -platform os=OS_CHOICE, arch=ARCH_CHOICE

- packageID_version Represents the packageID and version, separated by an underscore character (_). The underscore and version is optional; if not specified, the latest available version will be used from the package. Refer to a repository's repository.xml file to find the offeringID and version values
- SOURCE_PATHS List the paths to the source repositories, separated by comma characters
- TARGET_PATH Specify the destination path for the generated repository

NOTE: Specify -prompt parameter if the repository requires authentication, such as on ibm.com

PUCL command with -platform parameter

pucl copy packageID_version -acceptLicense -repositories SOURCE_PATHS
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- OS_CHOICE Specify which operating system you want to extract from the specified source repositories
- ARCH_CHOICE Specify which architecture (associated with the OS_CHOICE) you want to extract

Allowed values for OS_CHOICE and ARCH_CHOICE

| Platform | Options | Resulting Repository | |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Windows | os=win32,arch=x86 | Windows 32 bit and 64 bit | |
| | os=win32 | | |
| Linux Intel | os=linux,arch=x86 | Linux Intel 32 bit and 64 bit | |
| Linux Power® | os=linux,arch=ppc | Linux Power 32 bit and 64 bit | |
| zLinux | os=linux,arch=s390 | zLinux 32 bit and 64 bit | |
| AIX® | os=aix | AIX 32 bit and 64 bit | |
| Solaris Sparc | os=solaris,arch=sparc | Solaris Sparc 32 bit and 64 bit | |
| Solaris Intel | os=solaris,arch=x86 | Solaris Intel 64 bit | |
| HP-UX Itanium | os=hpux | HP-UX Itanium 64 bit | |
| z/OS® | os=zos | z/OS | |

NOTE: Both 64-bit and 32-bit repositories are included in the generated platform-scoped repository. As of now the 32-bit and 64-bit packages cannot be separated



Important Directories



Installation Manager Modes

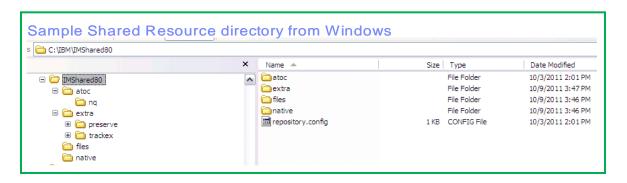
- The Installation Manager can be used in one of three administrative modes:
 - Administrator mode (Root user): Only one administrator Installation Manager can be installed per system
 - User mode (Non root user): One user mode Installation Manager can be installed per user
 - Group mode: All users in a predefined group can run the same instance of Installation Manager to manage packages that are enabled for group mode (NOTE: Group mode is not available for Windows)





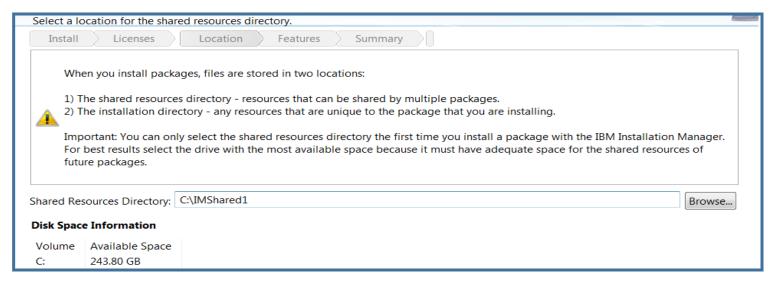
Installation Manager Shared Data

- The Shared Resources Directory is used by Installation Manager:
 - To store artifacts that can be used by more than one product
 - As a "staging area" during install. All new artifacts are first transferred to the Shared Resources Directory. This process involves validating bytes using MD5 checksum to ensure all files are available and not corrupt
 - As a cache for rollback, without the need to connect to a repository
- Location is selected the first time a package is installed by Install Manager and cannot be changed or moved once selected
- Multiple products share this directory
- Choose location with reasonable free disk space
- Contents of this directory should not be deleted in an effort to conserve file system space (NOTE: Tips on reducing disk space are covered in Common issues section)
- This directory should not be deleted as long as any offering is installed



Installation Manager Shared Data

Graphical



Response file

com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.eclipseCache'
value='C:\IBM\IMShared'/>

Command line

-sharedResourcesDirectory C:\IM\im-shared_ws11

Installation Manager Agent Data

- appDataLocation, also called Installation Manager Agent Data Directory or IM_DATA directory
- Installation Manager uses the Agent Data Location (or appDataLocation) to store state and history about the installations it manages
- Default Agent Data Location

| Operating system | Administrator installation | Nonadministrator installation | Group installation |
|---|--|--|--|
| Windows XP Professional | C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Application Data\IBM \Installation Manager | C:\Documents and Settings\user\Application Data\IBM\Installation Manager | Not available. |
| Windows Vista, Windows 2008, Windows 7, Windows 8, and Windows 2012 | C:\ProgramData \IBM\Installation Manager | C:\Users\user\AppData \Roaming\IBM\Installation Manager | Not available. |
| Linux and UNIX | /var/ibm /InstallationManager | /user_home_directory /var/lbm /InstallationManager | /user_home_directory /var/ibm /InstallationManager_Group |

Contents of Agent Data

| Folder or file | Information | |
|---------------------|--|--|
| adapters | Directory location where adapters save information for rollbacks | |
| bundles | Contains package bundles | |
| settings | Preferences | |
| histories | Contains information about previous installations and uninstall procedures | |
| installRegistry.xml | Contains information about known profiles and installed packages | |
| installRegistry | Metadata for installed offerings | |
| installed.xml | Contains information about the set of installation locations and installed packages | |
| license | The license folder is empty for IBM products that do not use Installation Manager licensing. | |
| logs | Agent log files | |
| p2 | Contains Eclipse p2 profile metadata | |
| pluginState | Contains Eclipse plug-in state information and the Eclipse error log file | |
| temp | Contains temporary file during installation | |
| uninstall | Contains an executable file and other files needed for uninstalling packages | |

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| Windows Vista, Windows 2008, Windows 7, Windows 8, and Windows 2012 | C:\ProgramData \IBM\Installation Manager | C:\Users\user\AppData \Roaming\IBM\Installation Manager | Not available. |
| Linux and UNIX | /var/ibm /InstallationManager | /user_home_directory /var/ibm /InstallationManager | /user_home_directory /var/ibm /InstallationManager_Group |

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Installation Manager Agent Data

- Once Installation Manager is installed, the appDataLocation cannot be changed
- If directory is lost or corrupt, future updates to the product can be affected
 - Products will run fine but cannot be updated or uninstalled
- Recommended to backup this directory when WAS backup is taken
- The default can be changed by installing IM with -dL or -dataLocation option
 - Example for Graphical Install
 - ./userinst -dL /usr/IBM/AppData (non root)
 - ./install -dL /opt/IBM/AppData (root)
- The user can use different appDataLocation for each product by specifying the dataLocation (or -dL) option when starting Installation Manager, and then should use the same option on subsequent invocations
 - User needs to maintain record of data agent used for each install

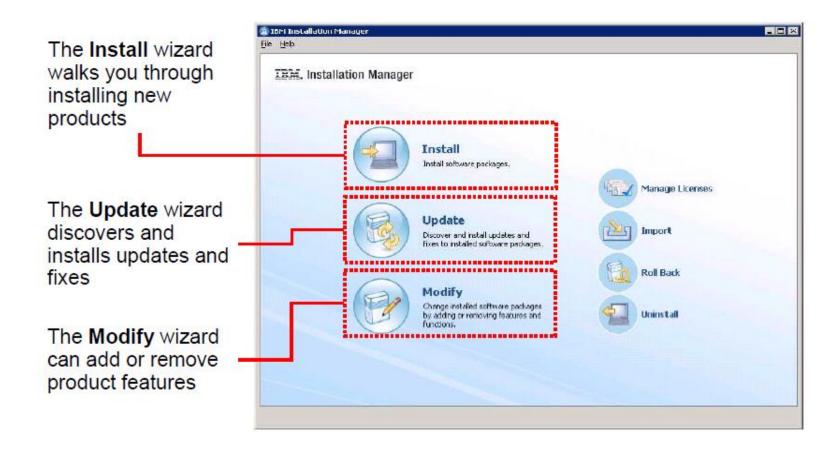


Install Options (Graphical, Silent and Command mode)

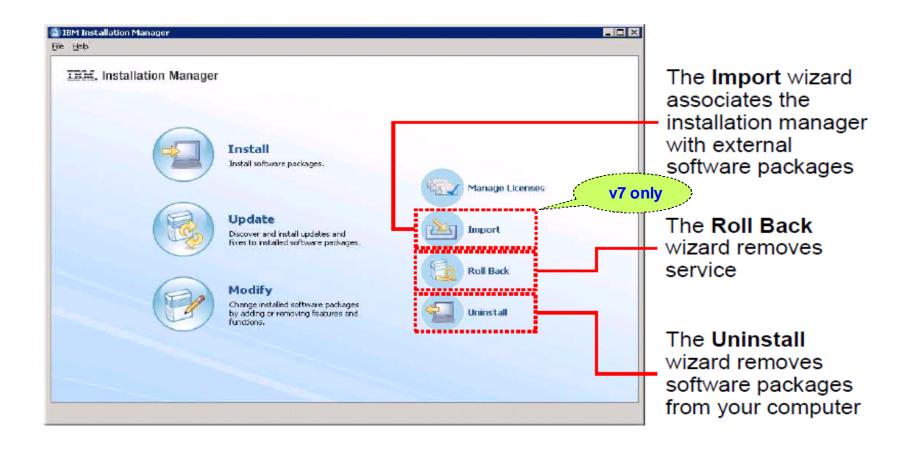


Installation Manager graphical options

IM can be started using IBMIM.exe (windows) from IM_HOME/eclipse



Installation Manager graphical options





Silent Install

- Silent install is performed using a response file
 - Sample response file from Information Center is available
 - Response file can also be recorded
- Response file is in xml format
- Same command (such as "imcl") is used for installing, uninstalling, updating, or rolling back
 - Only need to change options in the response file in order to perform different operations
- A single response file can perform multiple offerings install
- IM_HOME/eclipse/tools imcl -acceptLicense input /usrt/installv8.xml -log /tmp/log.xml -sP



Recording a response file

- IM graphical interface will indicate that it is recording response file
 - ► CMD: IBMIM -skipInstall C:\RecordV8 -record installv8_n.xml



- Don't specify IM's true agent data directory with skipInstall recommend using a dummy repository instead
- Once response file is recorded, you can use it on another system (edit PATHS as needed for the new system)
- Keep the same dummy agent data directory to allow you to record response files for future updates, installs, or uninstalls for the same environment when using skipInstall
- Useful when response file needed to record multiple offerings in one install attempt



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!--The "acceptLicense" attribute has been deprecated. Use "-acceptLicense" command line option to accept license agreements.-->
<agent-input acceptLicense='true'clean="true" temporary="true">
<repository location='C:\IBM\REP\WSAS8ENT\repository.config'/>
                                                                          Repository Details
 <profile id='IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V8.0' installLocation='C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer8005'>
 <data kev='eclipseLocation' value='C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer8005'/>
 <data key='user.import.profile' value='false'/>
                                           eclipse location is always offering home
 <data key='cic.selector.nl' value='en'/>
<install modify='false'>
<offering id='com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80' version='8.0.5.20121022 1902' profile='IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment</pre>
V8.0' features='core.feature,ejbdeploy,thinclient,embeddablecontainer,com.ibm.sdk.6 64bit' installFixes='none'/>
</install>
                                .....
<preference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.eclipseCache' value='C:\IBM\IMSharednw'/>
-
                                                                              Shared Directory Resource
ference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.connectTimeout' value='30'/>
reference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.readTimeout' value='45'/>
<preference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.downloadAutoRetryCount' value='0'/>
ference name='offering.service.repositories.areUsed' value='false'/>
ference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.ssl.nonsecureMode' value='false'/>
<preference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.http.disablePreemptiveAuthentication' value='false'/>
cpreference name='http.ntlm.auth.kind' value='NTLM'/>
ference name='http.ntlm.auth.enableIntegrated.win32' value='true'/>
<preference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.preserveDownloadedArtifacts' value='true'/>
<preference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.keepFetchedFiles' value='false'/>
preference name='PassportAdvantageIsEnabled' value='false'/>
com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.searchForUpdates' value='false'/>
reference name='com.ibm.cic.agent.ui.displayInternalVersion' value='false'/>
com.ibm.cic.common.sharedUI.showErrorLog' value='true'/>
ference name='com.ibm.cic.common.sharedUI.showWarningLog' value='true'/>
ference name='com.ibm.cic.common.sharedUI.showNoteLog' value='true'/>
</agent-input>
```

<agent-input>

</agent-input>

```
<variables>
                                                                            Sample Response file to install
  <variable name='sharedLocation' value='C:\M\IMShared'/>
</variables>
                                                                                 WAS, IHS, WCT - v8.5.5.6
<server>
  <repository location='C:\IBM\Rep85'/>
</server>
cprofile id='IBM HTTP Server V8.5' installLocation='C:\IBM\HTTPServer'>
  <data key='cic.selector.arch' value='x86'/>
  <data key='user.ihs.http.server.service.name' value='none'/>
  <data key='user.ihs.httpPort' value='80'/>
  <data key='user.ihs.installHttpService' value='false'/>
  <data key='user.ihs.http.server.service.name.key' value='IBMHTTPServerV8.5'/>
 <data key='user.ihs.win.serverServiceLogOnAsLocalSystem' value='true'/>
  <data key='user.ihs.win.serverServiceStartType' value='auto'/>
</profile>
<install>
 <!-- IBM HTTP Server for WebSphere Application Server 8.5.5.6 -->
 <offering profile='IBM HTTP Server V8.5' id='com.ibm.websphere.IHS.v85' version='8.5.5006.20150529 0536' features='core.feature,arch.32bit'/>
</install>
<data key='cic.selector.arch' value='x86'/>
</profile>
<install>
  <!-- IBM WebSphere Application Server 8.5.5.6 -->
 <offering profile='IBM WebSphere Application Server V8.5' id='com.ibm.websphere.BASE.v85' version='8.5.5006.20150529 0536'</pre>
 features='core.feature,ejbdeploy,thinclient,embeddablecontainer,com.ibm.sdk.6 64bit'/>
</install>
<prefile id='WebSphere Customization Toolbox V8.5' installLocation='C:\IBM\WebSphere\Toolbox'>
 <data key='cic.selector.arch' value='x86'/>
</profile>
<install>
  <!-- WebSphere Customization Toolbox 8.5.5.6 -->
 <offering profile='WebSphere Customization Toolbox V8.5' id='com.ibm.websphere.WCT.v85' version='8.5.5006.20150529 0536' features='core.feature,pct'/>
</install>
<preference name='com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.eclipseCache' value='${sharedLocation}'/>
cpreference name='offering.service.repositories.areUsed' value='false'/>
```

GenerateResponseFile option (starting IM 1.7.0)

- Used to generate response files from packages in a repository or from installed packages
- The following options are common to both methods of generating a response file:
 - To filter the packages included in the generated response file, you must specify one or more package IDs on the command line after the generateResponseFile option. Only packages or fixes with one of those IDs are included in the output
 - By default, the generated response file is displayed on the console. To include the output in a file, use the -output output_file command
- When you do not specify the -repositories or the -connectPassportAdvantage option, the generateResponseFile command generates a response file that is based on the packages that are currently installed

Generating a response file from packages in a repository

```
Run either the -repositories or -connectPassportAdvantage command with these options:

imcl generateResponseFile -repositories source_repository
imcl generateResponseFile -connectPassportAdvantage
imcl generateResponseFile [packageId[_Version]]... -repositories source_repository
imcl generateResponseFile [packageId[_Version]]... -connectPassportAdvantage
```

Generating a response file from installed packages

```
imcl generateResponseFile -installation_directory installation_directory
imcl generateResponseFile [packageId[_Version]]...
[-installationDirectory]
```

imcl command options

- The imcl command is used to run most Installation Manager commands:
 - imcl install
 - imcl uninstall
 - imcl listAvailablePackages
 - imcl listAvailableFixes
 - imcl listInstalledPackages
 - imcl version
 - imutilsc command is used to create credentials files for accessing secured repositories
 - imcl rollback
 - On details on usage of the imcl command please check Blog How to use imcl command to view the list of the packages, updates, and features in a source repository https://ibm.biz/BdX9sV
- imcl and imutilsc reside in <IM_install_directory>/eclipse/tools

Examples of imcl commands

./imcl listInstalledPackages -long

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer : com.ibm.websphere.IBMJAVA.v70_7.0.6001.20140324_2202 : IBM WebSphere SDK Java Technology Edition (Optional) : 7.0.6.1

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer : com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85_8.5.5002.20140408_1947 : IBM WebSphere

Application Server Network Deployment: 8.5.5.2

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer: 8.5.5.0-WS-WASProd-IFPI15756_8.5.5000.20140411_1012: 8.5.5.0-WS-

WASProd-IFPI15756: 8.5.5000.20140411_1012

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer: 8.5.5.2-WS-WAS-IFPI15581_8.5.5002.20140411_1052: 8.5.5.2-WS-

WAS-IFPI15581: 8.5.5002.20140411_1052

imcl listAvailablePackages -repositories C:\IBM\REP\WSAS8.5\855Fixpack

com.ibm.websphere.BASE.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.BASETRIAL.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.DEVELOPERS.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.DEVELOPERSILAN.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.EXPRESS.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.EXPRESSTRIAL.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.NDDMZ.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.NDDMZTRIAL.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044

com.ibm.websphere.NDTRIAL.v85_8.5.5000.20130514_1044



imcl -install

Install one or more packages:

imcl install <package>

- -installationDirectory <where to install>
- -repositories <list of repository URL's, separated by commas>
- -sharedResourcesDirectory <cache location>
- -acceptLicense
- If no package version is specified, then the highest version (usually the most recent) is installed: com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85
- To specify a particular version:com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85_8.5.5006.20150529_0536
- See the service website or listAvailablePackages output for exact versions

Example of imcl install option

```
./imcl install
```

com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85,core.feature,ejbdeploy,thinclient,embeddablecontainer,com.ibm.sdk.6_64bit -repositories C:\WAS855,C:\WAS8556 -installationDirectory

/opt/IBM/WAS8556 -sharedResourcesDirectory /opt/IBM/IMShared -sP -acceptLicense -log installv8.xml -preferences

offering.service.repositories.areUsed=true,com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.ke epFetchedFiles=false,com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.preserveDownloadedArt ifacts=false

| 25% | 50% | 75% | 100% |
|-----|-----|-----|------|
| | | | |

Installed com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85_8.5.5006.20150529_0536 to the /opt/IBM/WAS8556 directory.

Check installv8.xml for any error.

The following log entry will show success:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

- <result>
- </result>



Rollback vs Uninstall

- Rollback: Used to uninstall the current fixpack and go to previously installed fixpack
- Uninstall: Option is used to uninstall the offering and also any ifixes installed. If uninstall option is used to uninstall fixpack it will remove the complete offering

Using the imcl command to rollback WebSphere Application Server fix packs https://ibm.biz/BdXB5R



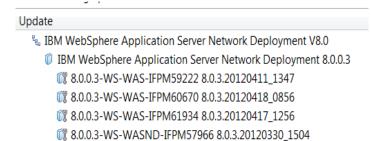


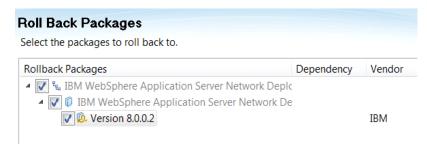
ROLLBACK



Install 8.0.2 then Update to 8.0.3 + ifixes

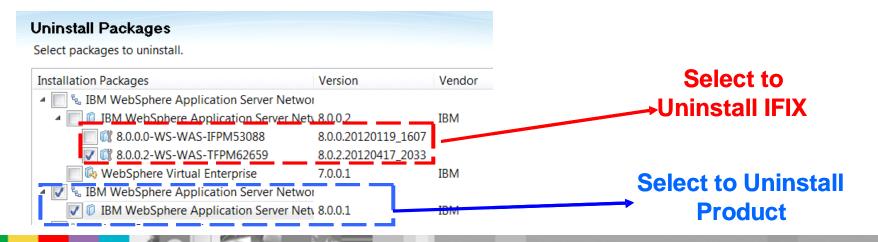
Roll back option will allow to rollback to 8.0.2





UNINSTALL

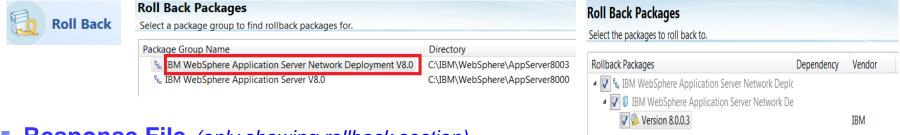




Uninstall fixpack – Rollback 8.0.5 - 8.0.3

Installed 8.0.3. Updated to 8.0.5. Now need to move back to 8.0.3

Graphical Mode



Response File (only showing rollback section)

<rollback>

<offering id='com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80' version='8.0.3.20120320_0536' profile='IBM WebSphere Application
Server Network Deployment V8.0' features="/>

</rollback>

imcl command

./imcl rollback *com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80_8.0.3.20120320_0536* -repositories C:\IBM\fixpack803 -installationDirectory *C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer*

NOTE: If file saved for rollback option is selected then repository is not needed



Installation Manager commands - uninstall

Uninstall one or more packages or ifixes

imcl uninstall <package> -installationDirectory <where product is installed>

Example

To uninstall WAS v8.5

imcl uninstall com.ibm.websphere.ND.v85 -installationDirectory /usr/IBM/WebSphere/V85

- Only the selected product package is uninstalled
- You may have to delete any remaining files at the installation location before re-using that location for a new install

To uninstall an ifix

/imcl uninstall 8.5.5.5-WS-WAS-IFPI39793 -installationDirectory /usr/IBM /WebSphere/V85

NOTE: When uninstalling ifix we should specify ifix ID only



IM console mode - imcl -c

- WAS offerings don't use console mode for install/update/modify/uninstall options
- This option can be used to manage preferences and repositories in IM in silent mode

```
C:\IBM\Installation Manager\eclipse\tools>imcl -c
=====> IBM Installation Manager
                                         These options not supported by WAS offerings 8.x
Select:
     1. Install - Install software packages
     2. Update - Find and install updates and fixes to installed software packages
     3. Modify - Change installed software packages

    Roll Back - Devert to an earlier version of installed software packages
    Uninstall Remove installed software packages

ther Options:
                                          These options can be used
     L. View Logs
     S. View Installation History
     U. View Installed Packages
     P. Preferences
     A. About IBM Installation Manager
     X. Exit Installation Manager
 ----> X
```



Best Practices and Common Issues





IM Shared Directory - Files for Rollback

- The Shared Resources Directory can consume a lot of disk space. To save on space you can select not to save files for rollback
 - Graphical:



- ▶ Response File: -preferences com.ibm.cic.common.core.preferences.preserveDownloadedArtifacts = false
- Command Line: imcl -c > select P > then 3

```
To roll back to a previous version of a package, Installation Manager must access files for that version. Select this option to save locally the files for rollback. If you do not want to save the files locally, Installation Manager must access them from the media or repositories that were u sed to install the package.

1. [X] Save files for rollback

Select "Delete Saved Files" to remove any files that were saved for rollback during previous installations. If you delete the files and want to roll back to a previous version, Installation Manager must access the files from the media or repositories that were used to install the package.

Size of saved files: 962.82 MB.

D. Delete Saved Files

R. Restore Defaults
A. Apply Changes and Return to Preferences Menu
P. Temporarily Keep Changes and Return to Preferences Menu
```

Continued.

- Never delete or alter contents of this directory manually
 - In case option for saving files for rollback is not selected, there are still files in IMShared which should not be deleted or modified
- Though this will save a lot of space, but in the event of a rollback you will need access to the repository
 - Note that artifacts will be staged here during install, so the space is still needed at install/update time
- To list the Shared Resources Directory and directories for all installed packages

imcl listInstallationDirectories -verbose

Example

Shared resources directory: C:\Program Files\IBM\IBMIMShared [Package group]

Name: IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V8.0 Installation directory: C:\Program Files\IBM\WebSphere\DemoAppServer

Translations: English (en)

Commands to install IM

| Installation Manager installation goal | Windows commands | Linux and UNIX commands |
|---|--|--|
| An administrator for the operating system installs Installation Manager for all users. | install.exe | #install |
| | ог | or |
| | installc.exe to install silently | #installc to install silently |
| A nonadministrator for the operating system installs Installation Manager for all users. | Windows 2000 and Windows XP Professional: You cannot install Installation Manager for all users as a nonadministrator. | \$sudo install or |
| | Windows Vista, Windows 2008, and Windows 7: | \$sudo installc to install silently |
| | install.exe | |
| | or | |
| | installc.exe to install silently | |
| | You are prompted to enter an administrator user ID and password. | |
| Installs Installation Manager for all users in group mode. | Not available. | #groupinst |
| mode. | | or |
| | | #groupinstc -dataLocation application_data_location to install silently |
| | | You can customize the install.xml file with additional configuration, such as the directory to install Installation Manager. |
| An administrator for the operating system installs Installation Manager only for the current user. | userinst.exe | #userinst |
| | or | or |
| | userinstc.exe to install silently | #userinstc to install silently |
| A nonadministrator for the operating system installs Installation Manager only for the current user. | userinst.exe | \$userinst |
| installation Manager only for the current user. | ог | or |
| | userinstc.exe to install silently | #userinstc to install silently |





Default IM install location

| | Administrator | Nonadministrator | Group |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Default installation directory | Windows XP Professional: C:\Program | Windows XP Professional: C:\Documents | Linux and UNIX: /user_home_directory |
| | Files\IBM\Installation Manager | and Settings\user\IBM\Installation | /IBM/InstallationManager_Group |
| | NE-d VE-d 0000 | Manager | -100-1 |
| | Windows Vista, Windows 2008, | | Z/OS: /InstallationManager/bin |
| | Windows 7, Windows 8, and Windows | Windows Vista, Windows 2008, | OC V enerating queterns (v |
| | 2012: C:\Program Files [(x86)]\IBM | Windows 7, Windows 8, and Windows | OS X operating system: /Users |
| | \Installation Manager | 2012: C:\Users\user\IBM | /user_home_directory |
| | Linux and UNIX: //TDV | \Installation Manager | /InstallationManager_Group |
| | Linux and UNIX: /opt/IBM | Linux and HMTV. / b dib | |
| | /InstallationManager | Linux and UNIX: /user_home_directory | |
| | IBM i: /QIBM/ProdData | /IBM/InstallationManager | |
| | /InstallationManager | IBM i: /user home directory | |
| | , 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | /IBM/InstallationManager | |
| | Z/OS: /InstallationManager/bin | ,, | |
| | _ | <pre>Z/OS: /user_home_directory</pre> | |
| | OS X operating system: /Applications | /InstallationManager/bin | |
| | /IBM/Installation Manager | | |
| | | OS X operating system: /Users | |
| | | /user_home_directory | |
| | | /IBM/Installation Manager | |
| | | | |



Silent install of IM to non Default location

- Open the directory where you extracted the installation files
- Locate and open the response install.xml file
- Update the file with the location for installing Installation Manager. You must use the profile command to specify the installation location
- Restriction: The installation location must be a directory named eclipse

Example

This example shows the install.xml file before the changes

This example shows the install.xml file after adding the profile command



IM reinstallIM Option (starting IM 1.6.0)

- Installation Manager might become unresponsive because an update of Installation Manager failed or the program files became corrupted
- Installation files from the same version or a later version of the installed version of Installation Manager
 - Installing an earlier version can cause issues that cannot be recovered
- Graphical

| Operating system | Administrator | Nonadministrator | Group |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Windows | install.exe - reinstallIM | userinst.exe - reinstallIM | Not available |
| Linux, UNIX, and the Mac OS X operating system | ./install - reinstallIM | ./userinst - reinstallIM | ./groupinst - dataLocation /user_home_directory/var/ibm/InstallationManager_Group - reinstallIM |

Silent

| Operating system | Administrator | Nonadministrator | Group | input command |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Windows | installc.exe -reinstallIM - acceptLicense | userinstc.exe - reinstallIM - acceptLicense | Not available. | <pre>imcl.exe input response_file - reinstallIM - repositories installation_files_dir -acceptLicense</pre> |
| Linux, UNIX, IBM i, IBM z/OS®, and the Mac OS X operating system | ./installc - reinstallIM - acceptLicense | ./userinstc - reinstallIM - acceptLicense | ./groupinstc - dataLocation /user_home_directory/var/ibm/InstallationManager_Group -reinstallIM -acceptLicense Group mode is not supported on IBM i. | ./imcl input response_file - reinstallIM - repositories installation_files_dir -acceptLicense |

Command line

| Operating system | install command |
|--|--|
| Windows | <pre>imcl.exe install com.ibm.cic.agent -reinstallIM -repositories installation_files_dir -acceptLicense</pre> |
| Linux, UNIX, IBM i, IBM z/OS®, and the Mac OS X operating system | ./imcl install com.ibm.cic.agent -reinstallIM -repositories installation_files_dir -acceptLicense |

NOTE: If -dL option was used to install IM initially, please add it

Convert 32 IM to 64 bit IM

This can be done. You can use the -reinstallIM option to replace the 32bit version of Installation Manager with the 64-bit version without affecting the existing install

"Changing the bit mode of Installation Manager"

https://ibm.biz/BdXxaG

 Installation files from the same version or a later version of the installed version of Installation Manager

IM 1.6.2 Graphical issue with AIX

- Eclipse changed the window system requirement from motif to gtk on UNIX operating systems
- Starting IM 1.6.2 for AIX, this Eclipse window system change requires the gtk libraries to be installed to support the GUI
- These GTK libraries is requirement for PMT /WCT to run for WAS 8.x and is documented in WAS 8.x infocenter

Required gtk libraries for Installation Manager on AIX

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21631478



Install of optional JAVA 7.x

- Java 6 is the product's default Java SDK that is installed
- Java 7.0 was shipped as an optional feature that can be installed with WAS v8.5.0.0
- Java 7.1 is shipped with WAS v8.5.5.2 (in a full installation) which can be installed as an optional feature on WAS v8.5.5.2 or higher (not available for WAS running on Solaris/HP)

Note: WAS v8.5.5.2 with Java 7.0 installed cannot update from Java 7.0 to Java 7.1., Java 7.1 is a different version of Java and has to be installed on an existing installation to take advantage of the Java 7.1 features. Once this is complete, 3 JDKs will exist:



• Installing the optional Java 7.0 or Java 7.1 does not imply that profiles can take advantage of this new version of Java. The *managesdk* command has to be used to switch Java (Admin Console or wsadmin can be used). Please review the blog for more details:

Installing optional Java 7.x on WebSphere Application Server 8.5 https://ibm.biz/BdXbXb

Best Practices for Backup of IM installs

- When doing backup of an offering we recommend to take backup of IMShared and DataAgent at the same date and time specially before and after applying fixpack, ifxes or any install being done using the IM
- When doing restore it is recommended that all 3 directories that is offering, IMShared and data agent should be restored from same time frame
- For IM backup:
 - http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/install/v1r6/index.jsp?topic=%2Fcom.ibm.cic.agent.ui.doc%2Ftopics%2Ft_im_backup.html
- If home directory of an offering is only restored after failure during update or install of any other offering then the IM Data gets out of sync., with installed offerings like WAS, IHS, plugin etc. There is no way to recover this except to install all the products managed by IM again
- NOTE: The above recommendation for backup is applicable if you are updating WebSphere Application Server offerings. If updating any additional offering using IM at the same time, please follow documentation for the backup of the offering in addition to the above steps



Problem: Why the second install of WAS on the same machine is not working with following response file?

- Profile id or Package Group Name should be unique for each install. This is chosen automatically by Installation Manager during GUI or command line mode. Can be customized with response file
- To find for Profile ID for installed products: imcl listInstalledPackages -verbose

```
[Package group]
Name: IBM WebSphere Application Server U8.0
Installation directory: C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer8000
Translations: English (en)

[Package]
Name: IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment (com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80)
Version: 8.0.0.5 (8.0.5.20121022_1902)
Repository: http://9.37.128.96
Features:
    IBM 64-bit SDK for Java, Version 6 (com.ibm.sdk.6_64bit)
    EJBDeploy tool for pre-EJB 3.0 modules (ejbdeploy)
    Embeddable EJB container (embeddablecontainer)
    Stand-alone thin clients and resource adapters (thinclient)
Fixes:
    None
```

Problem: When install location same but profileID is different

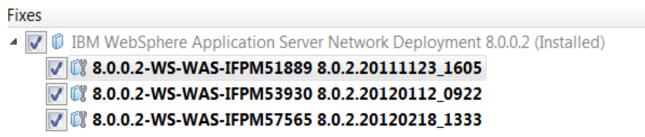
Current Install

Location: C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServerBPMTest

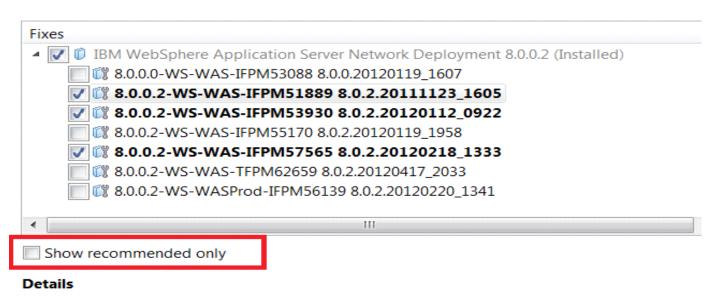
ProfileID: IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment: 8.0.0.2



Problem: Support provided testfix 8.0.0.2-WS-WAS-TFPM62659 but when trying to install, the ifix is not showing in list



"Show recommended only" option checked





Problem: How to verify install of ifix (Example: TFPM62659)?

From WAS Side versionInfo.sh/.bat –long

```
Installed IFix

Ifix ID

8.0.0.2-WS-WAS-TFPM62659

Product ID

Applicable Level

8.0.0.2
Install Manager Offering ID

Package

8.0.0.2-WS-WAS-TFPM62659_8.0.2.20120417_2033

Build Date

Included Apars

PM62659

PM62659
```

From IM_HOME/eclipse/tools> imcl listInstalledPackages -long

```
C:\IBM\IM\eclipse\tools>imcl listInstalledPackages -long
C:\IBM\IM\eclipse : com.ibm.cic.agent_1.5.2000.20120223_0907 : IBM? Installation
Manager : 1.5.2
C:\IBM\HTTPServer : com.ibm.websphere.IHS.v80_8.0.2.20111202_1708 : IBM HTTP Ser
ver for WebSphere Application Server : 8.0.0.2
C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer801 : com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80_8.0.2.20111202_1708 : I
BM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment : 8.0.0.2
C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer801 : com.ibm.websphere.WUE.v70_7.0.1.20110927_1903
WebSphere Virtual Enterprise : 7.0.0.1
C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer70 : com.ibm.websphere.ND.v70_7.0.21.20111215_0559 :
BM WebSphere Application Server - ND : 7.0.0.21
C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServertrial : com.ibm.websphere.NDTRIAL.v80_8.0.1.20110829_1
838 : IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment Trial : 8.0.0.1
C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer7test : com.ibm.websphere.ND.v70_7.0.17.20110417_2329
: IBM WebSphere Application Server - ND : 7.0.0.17
:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer8test1 : com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80_8.0.2.20111202_1708
 IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment: 8.0.0.2
:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer8test1 : 8.0.0.2-WS-WAS-TFPM62659_8.0.2.20120417_2033
 8.0.0.2-WS-WAS-TFPM62659 : 8.0.2.20120417_2033
C:\IBM\WebSphere\AppServer80test32bit : com.ibm.websphere.ND.v80_8.0.0.20110503_
0200 : IBM WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment : 8.0.0.0
```

Problem: Not sure of the location of IM or which IM was used for install

 In this case first thing to check is the output of versionInfo command (WAS_HOME/bin) and Log Directory under Installation section

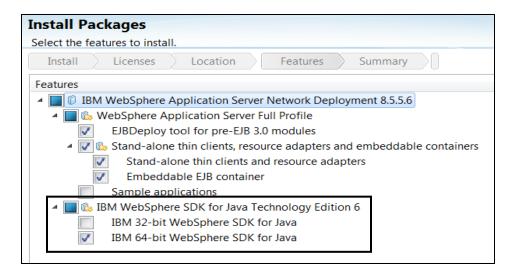


- Log Directory is the Agent Data location
- From Agent Data Directory, open installRegistry.xml



Problem: Using GUI and WAS is getting installed 64 bit, how can we get 32 bit WAS?

- By default IM will pick bit level of WAS based on OS bit level
- You can select 32 bit or 64 bit on Install Packages Panel



 When Installing optional JAVA 7.x the bit level used for initial install of WAS will be used



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Data needed by Support Teams

Export Agent Data directory **Export Installation Data** Graphical Select a location and specify the name of the .zip file to create. By exporting installation data to a .zip file, you can provide this important information to IBM Help support to help troubleshoot your situation. ? Help Contents Export to a .zip file: Browse... Search Export Data for Problem Analysis About IBM Installation Manager OK Cancel

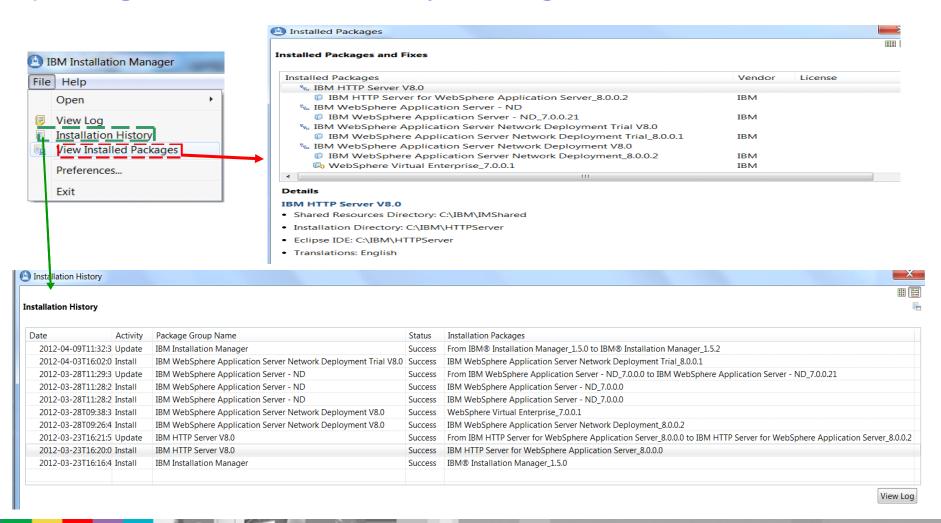
Command line: imcl exportInstallData IMData.zip

- Log created using -log option during IM operation
- Logs directory from WAS_HOME
- Response file or command used to install





Install Manager GUI can be used to view Installed packages, Installation history and logs



Summary

- Installation Manager should be used to install WAS v8.x
- Regular Backup should be taken of Agent Data, IMShared with offerings at same time
- Same user should be used for updates/modify which was used for initial install
- -dL and -dataLocation can be used to use non-default Agent Data location
- Agent Data and IMShared directories should not be deleted or modified manually



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