

IBM System p

IX 6 Preview





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ntroducing AIX 6

AIX 6 is **binary compatible*** with AIX 5L™ It is *named* to reflect unity with POWER6™



The POWER of SIX – AIX 6 and POWER6

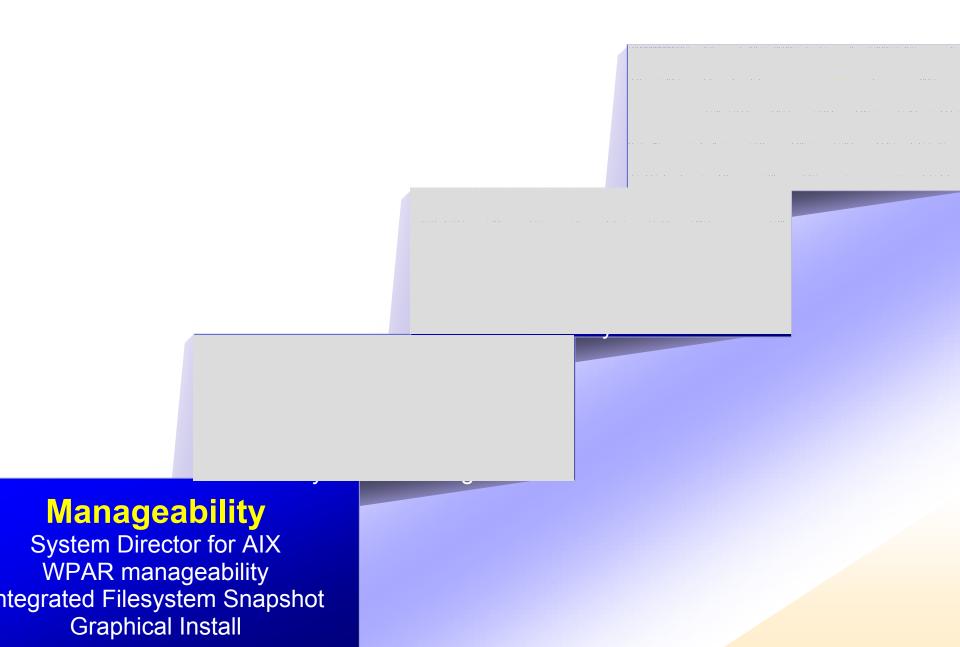
- Workload Partitions
- Live Application Mobility
- Live Partition Mobility
- Storage Keys
- Hardware Decimal Floating-Point
- Dynamic Variable Page Size

POWER 6

IBM System p Innovation and ↑ 'vanced POWER™ Virtualization

Customer Exploitation

IX 6: The Next Step in the Evolution of UNIX



POWER6 and AIX 6 New Functionality

Feature	Licensed Via			Supported OS			Supported Hard		
	Firm Ware	APV	AIX V6.1	AIX V5.3	AIX V6.1	Linux	POWER4™ POWER5™	POWER6	GA Date*
Dedicated processor sharing		1		1	1	/		4	6/07
Hardware Decimal FP	1			1	1	1		1	6/07
Integrated Virtual Ethernet	1			1	1	/		1	6/07
Storage keys - application	1			1	^			4	6/07
Storage keys – kernel*			1		\			✓	4Q07
Live Partition Mobility*		1		1	1	/		✓	4Q07
Multiple virtual shared pools*		1		1	/	/		4	4Q07
WPARs*			1		1		✓ ✓ ✓	✓	4Q07
Live Application Mobility*			1		/		<i>✓ ✓</i>	4	4Q07

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IX V6 New Features/Function

- RBAC (Role Based Access Control)
- AIX Expert (additional hardening/functionality)
- WPAR Manager/Application Mobility
- Trusted AIX
 - (labels -> TOP SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, etc...)
 - More than likely aimed at Government installations
 - MLS (Multi-Level Security)

- WPARs (Workload Partitions)
- Encrypted Filesystems (efs/efsenable)
- Trusted Execution (trustchk)
- File Permissions Manager (fpm)
- JFS2 Snapshots
- Systems Director for AIX

Planned AIX Workload Partitions

. Workload Partitions provide even more capability

proved administrative efficiency by reducing the number of AIX images to maintain

oftware partitioned system capacity

- Each Workload Partition obtains a regulated share of system resources
- Each Workload Partition can have unique network, filesystems and security

wo types of Workload Partitions

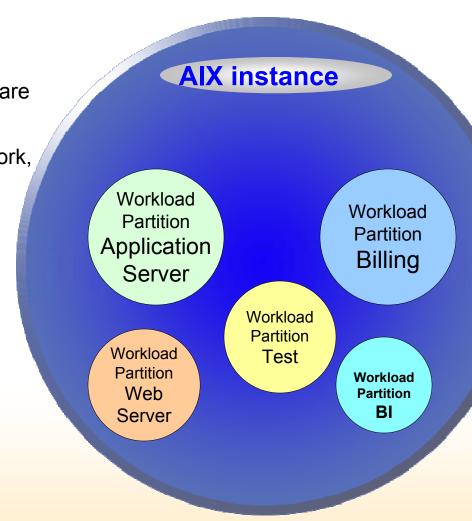
- System Partitions
- Application Partitions

eparate administrative control

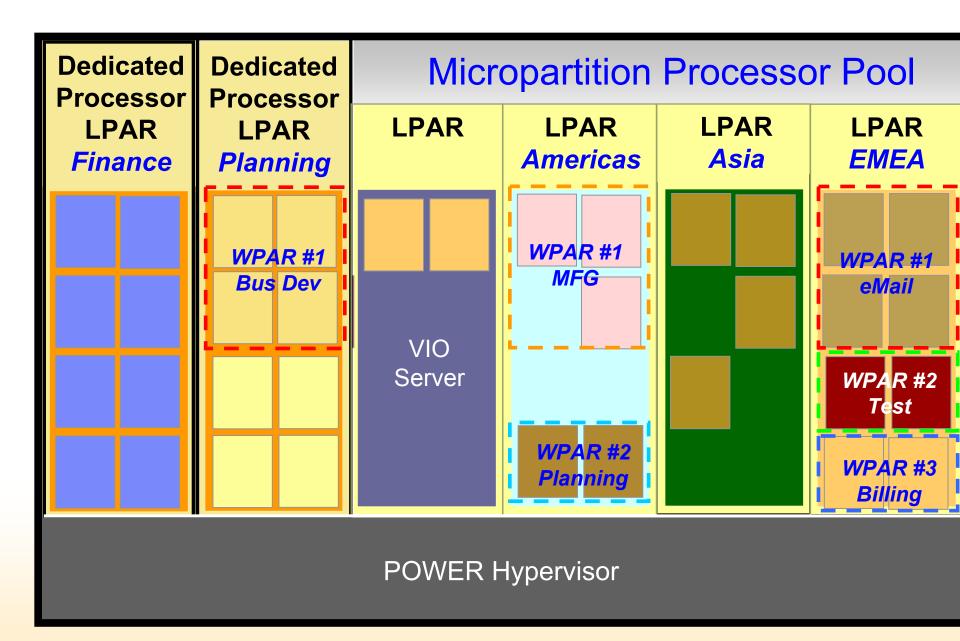
Each System Workload partition is a separate administrative and security domain

hared system resources

Operating System, I/O, Processor, Memory

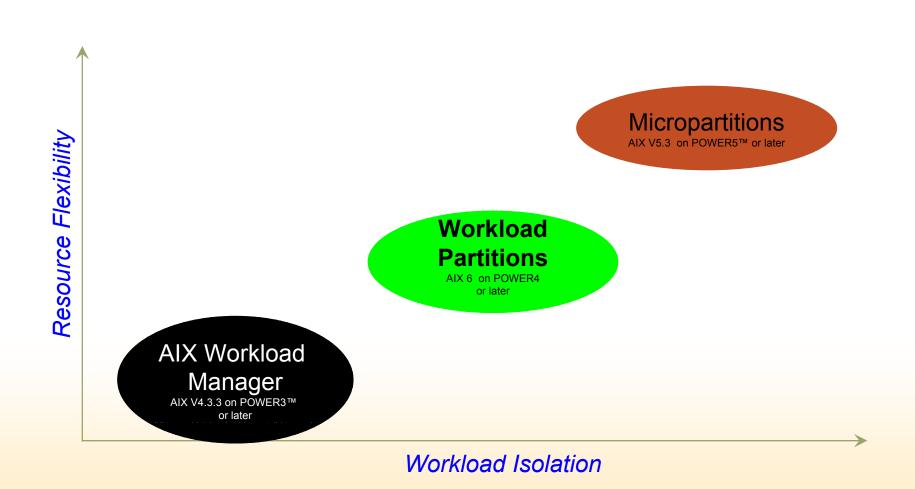


IX Workload Partitions can be Used in LPARs



Planned IBM System p Flexible Resource Manageme

IX Workload Partitions Complement System p Logical Partitions



orkload Partitions provide Simplified System Manageme



One button install and configuration

- Installs in minutes
- Highly configurable and flexible
- Command line, SMIT interface, or template



One button startup/boot

Workload Partition boots in seconds



One button stop/shutdown



VPAR (Workload Partitions)

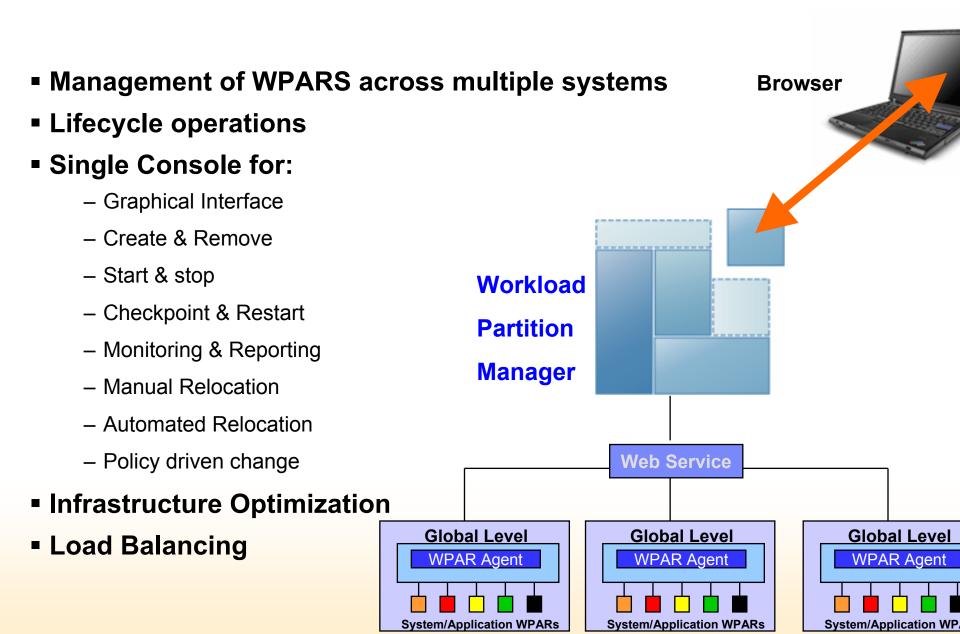
Let's look at wpars!

VPAR creation/deletion

```
mkwpar
    -d (Directory structure)
    -n (wpar name)
    -g (volume group) default is always rootvg
    -r (keep resource structure – /etc/resolv.conf, gateway)
    -N (Network parameters interface, address, netmask)
    -h (hostname)
startwpar <wparname> / stopwpar <wparname>
clogin (run a command on a wpar or login to w wpar)
    # clogin <wparname> <command to run on wpar>
 Iswpar
    # Iswpar
    Name State Type Hostname Directory
    DemoWpar D S DemoWpar /wparfs/DemoWpar
```

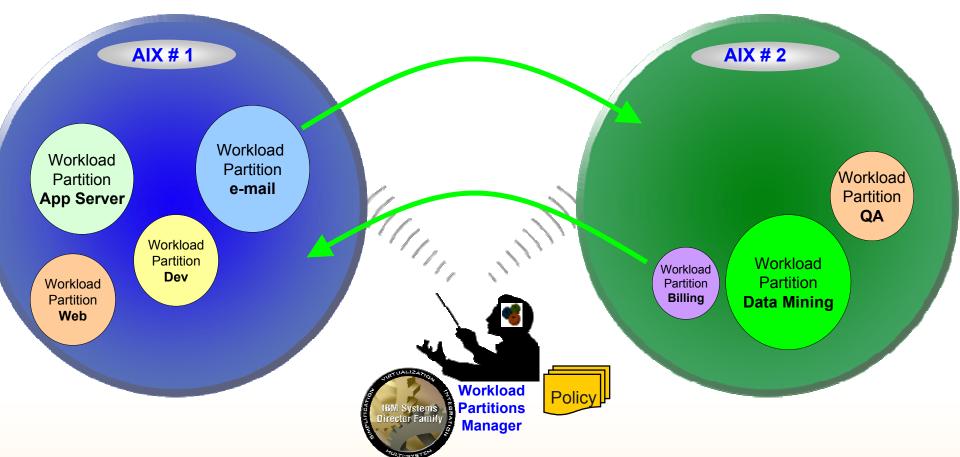
- rmwpar (-s to STOP wpar first)
- wparexec -n <wparname> <fullpath>/MyApp (application wpar)

Vorkload Partitions Manager (additional software/license)



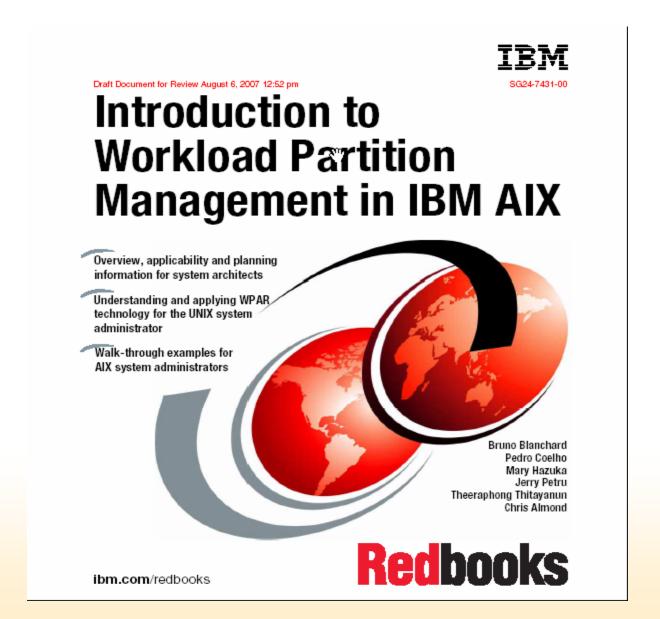
Planned AIX Live Application Mobility

Move a running Workload Partition from one server to another for outage avoidance and multi-system workload balancing



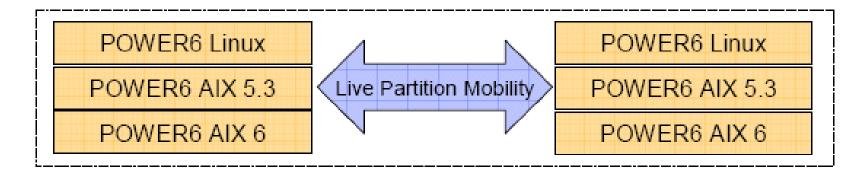
Vorks on any hardware supported by AIX 6, including POWER5

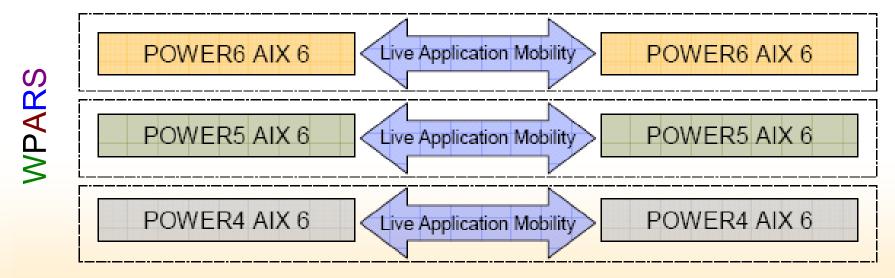
VPARs -- Further reading



application Mobility ≠ Partition Mobility

"The M & M's"
Live Partition Mobility and Live Application Mobility*





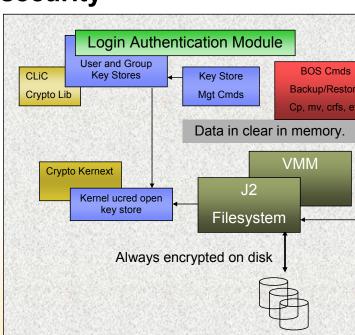
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Encrypted File System

- Backup in encrypted or clear formats
- Can be protected from root access to encrypted data
- Integrated into user and group administration
- Automatic key store creation on user creation
- Key store open on login, integrated into AIX security

Loadable Authentication Module

- Each file encrypted with unique key
- No keys stored in clear in kernel memory
- Key stores in PKCS12 format.
- AES, and RSA Cryptography



Encrypted Filesystems

Must have CliC library installed

```
clic.rte.includes 4.3.0.0 C F CryptoLite for C Library
clic.rte.kernext 4.3.0.0 C F CryptoLite for C Kernel
clic.rte.lib 4.3.0.0 C F CryptoLite for C Library
clic.rte.pkcs11 4.3.0.0 C F PKCS11 Software Token Support
```

- Contained on AIX V6 Expansion/Bonus Pak
- DO NOT use Expansion from AIX 5.3 version, it will not work
- Must load kernel extension before 'enabling' efs
- Use 'genkex' to determine if extension has been loaded

• Must 'enable' encryption with 'efsenable' command

efsenable -a

Enter password to protect your initial keystore: *******

Enter password again: ******

This creates the /var/efs directory structure

```
      drwx-----
      2 root
      system
      256 Nov 26 09:43 efs_admin

      -rw-r--r-
      1 root
      system
      0 Nov 26 09:44 efsenabled

      drwx-----
      3 root
      system
      256 Nov 26 09:43 groups

      drwx-----
      4 root
      system
      256 Nov 26 17:23 users
```

Encrypted Filesystems (continued)

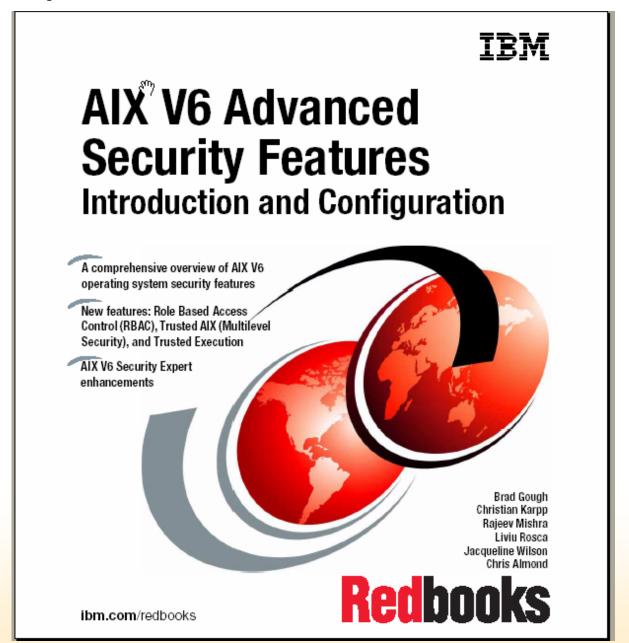
- Create an EFS-enabled filesystem (with –a efs=yes option)
 # crfs -m /efstest -A yes -a efs=yes -v jfs2 -g rootvg -a size=100000
- After mounting of EFS-enabled filesystem, turn on cryptographic inheritence with efsmgr command

```
# efsmgr -s -E </filesystem>
```

- See chfs, efskeymgr, efsmgr
- See redpaper

AIX6 Advanced Security Features, Configuration and Installation

AIX Security – more information



rusted Execution

- New to AIX V6
- Not TCB
- Can be used or not used (unlike TCB, which is install-time decision)
- Requires Cryptographic Library/kernel extension (CliC)
- Uses trustchk command in conjunction with Trusted Signature Database (TSD) in /etc/security/tsd
- The trustchk command is used in the following situations:
 - * Managing the Trusted Signature Database (add/delete files)
 - * Auditing the security state of the system (could use cron)
 - * Enabling the Trusted Execution Mechanism
 - * Configuring different policies for Trusted Execution

rusted Execution

Let's try some stuff!

ile Permissions Manager (fpm)

- New to AIX V6
- Command to manage permission on shell scripts/daemons that are SETUID and/or SETGID
- Keeps track of all changes in /var/security/fpm directory
- Can run in 'preview' mode (-p)
- Three (four) levels (low, medium, high, DEFAULT)
- Wrapper written will be on Alphaworks or other external site soon (fpm_wrapper.ksh)

File Permissions Manager (fpm)

- # fpm -p -l low (186 files)
- # fpm -p -l medium (200 files)
- # fpm -p -l high (237 files)
- Let's try some commands!

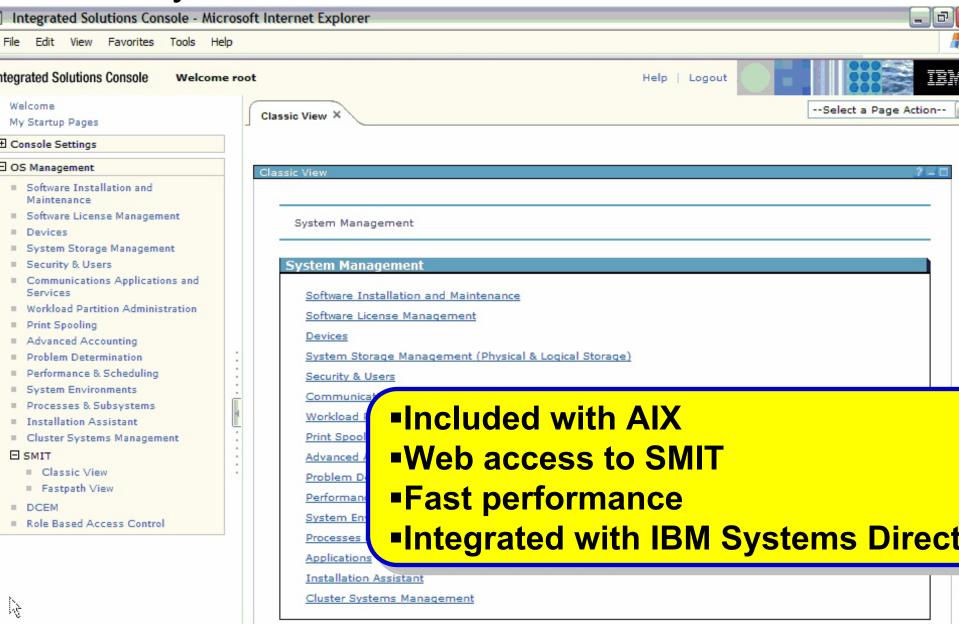
FS2 Snapshots

- Can create either EXTERNAL or INTERNAL snapshots
- Internal snapshots exist in <fsname>/.snapshot/snapshotname directory systems (hidden file)
- Must create a JFS2 filesystem that is 'snapshot' capable
- Can alter existing jfs2 filesystems with –a isnapshot=yes attribute
- Uses /usr/sbin/snapshot command
- snapshot –q <filesystem name> to query snapshots

fs2 snapshots

Run some snapshots/queries on an existing filesystem

Planned Systems Director Console for AIX



Systems Director Console for AIX

- Requires Systems Management Client fileset(s)
 - –sysmgt.psonsole fileset

```
(sysmgt.pconsole.rte 6.1.0.0 C F System P Console Runtime)
```

- -Was installed by default with AIX 610 Gold
- Browser-based

https://<hostname>:5663/ibm/console

