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IBM WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Communications Enabled Applications

Installation Manager overview



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This presentation provides an overview of IBM Installation Manager, the tool that is used to install the WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Communications Enabled Applications (CEA).

Agenda

- IBM Installation Manager overview
- Usage and benefits



This presentation begins by giving an overview of IBM Installation Manager, and then describes the usage scenario for installing the Feature Pack for CEA and some of the benefits of using the Installation Manager technology.

Section

IBM Installation Manager overview



This section provides an overview of IBM Installation Manager and the features it provides.

IBM Installation Manager overview

- IBM Installation Manager is an application that makes it easy to download, install, update, and uninstall many IBM software products from a single user interface
 - ▶ The Installation Manager is used to install the WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Communications Enabled Applications
- Using Installation Manager, you can:
 - ▶ Download and install product packages from a Web repository
 - ▶ Select exactly which product packages to install so that you download only the features you need
 - Reduces product footprint and download time
 - ▶ Configure a local product repository if you need to install products on a system without internet access



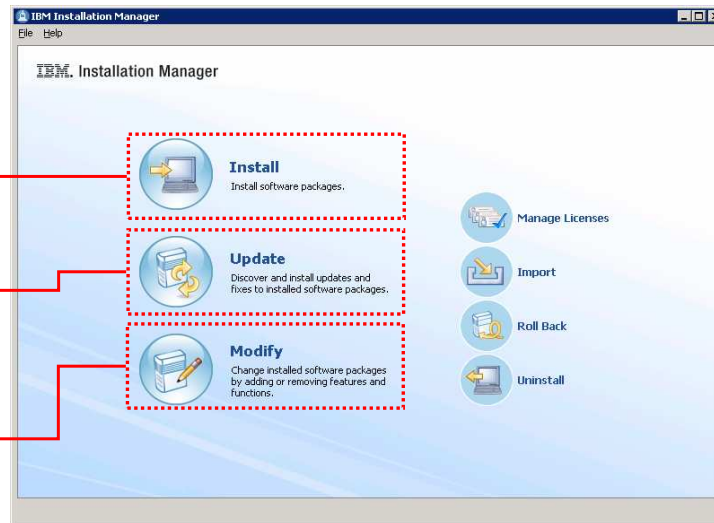
IBM Installation Manager is a common installer for many IBM software products that you can use to install this WebSphere Application Server feature pack. This feature pack is one of the first WebSphere Application Server products to be installed by Installation Manager rather than by the programs based on InstallShield MultiPlatform (ISMP) that are used to install, update, and uninstall previous versions of WebSphere Application Server. Installation Manager is a single installation program that can use remote or local software repositories to install, modify, or update new WebSphere Application Server products. It determines and shows available packages—including products, fix packs, ifixes, and so on—checks prerequisites and interdependencies, and installs the selected packages. You also use Installation Manager to easily uninstall the packages that it installed. Installation Manager supports installing products from a Web-based repository, or a local repository. This repository structure allows you to select which features you need to install so that you can reduce your product footprint, and, if using a Web repository, reduce your download time because you are only downloading the features you need. The download process for getting installation images and fixes for products that use ISMP-based technology require you to manually select the appropriate operating system and hardware architecture. Installation Manager simplifies this process by only allowing you to download and install packages that are suitable for your operating system and hardware.

Installation Manager features

The **Install** wizard walks you through installing new products

The **Update** wizard discovers and installs updates and fixes

The **Modify** wizard can add or remove product features



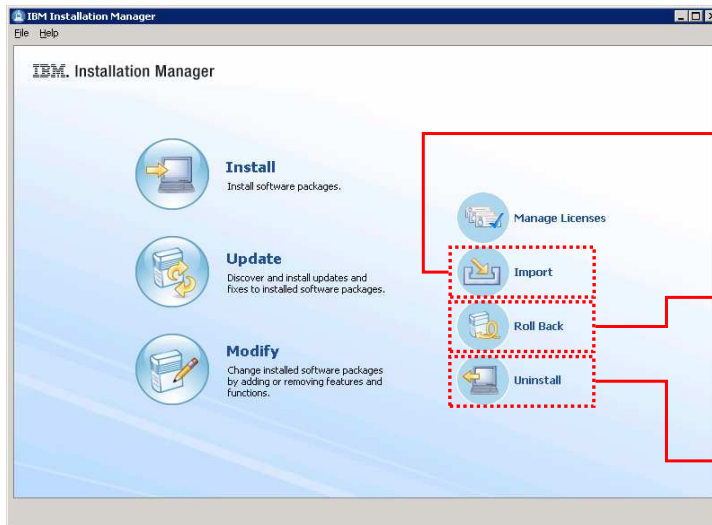
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The Installation Manager includes several wizards that guide you through installing, updating, and uninstalling software products. The Install wizard is the starting place for installing new software packages. It will access the repositories you have configured, provide a list of packages available for installation, and step you through the installation process. The Update wizard discovers and installs updates and fixes to your software packages – this is the interface you use to apply software maintenance or update your products to a new version. This wizard displays and recommends fixes and maintenance packages that are targeted to your operating system and set of installed products. You can also apply refresh packs to update your software to the latest version. Installation Manager allows you to select from a set of product features that you want to install for some products. If you do not choose to install a feature while installing a product, you can use the Modify wizard to add that feature to the product later, or remove a feature that has already been installed. The Feature Pack for CEA is built as a single product package and does not contain features, so you do not need to use the Modify wizard when working with this feature pack.

Installation Manager features



The **Import** wizard associates the installation manager with external software packages

The **Roll Back** wizard removes service

The **Uninstall** wizard removes software packages from your computer

The Import wizard allows you to point to an existing product installation on your system and link it to Installation Manager. For example, before installing the Feature Pack for CEA, you need to import an installation of WebSphere Application Server V7 so that you can install the feature pack on top of the application server. The Import button is not present until you add a WebSphere repository to the Installation Manager. The Roll Back wizard allows you to move your product back to a previous version of service – for example, moving a product from Fix Pack Y to Fix Pack X. The Uninstall wizard allows you to remove software packages from your computer and remove links to products that you have imported. You use the Uninstall wizard to uninstall the Feature Pack for CEA and to remove the link between Installation Manager and WebSphere Application Server V7 – sometimes called unimporting the application server. The Manage Licenses wizard is not used by WebSphere products at this time. Also, the import and unimport operations are only available with WebSphere Application Server V7. Do not try to use Installation Manager to import or unimport other products, like Rational Application Developer.

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Usage and benefits

This section describes a sample usage scenario for and benefits of using Installation Manager.

Example usage scenario

Scenario: Installing a feature pack on top of WebSphere Application Server	
Earlier ISMP-based installation solution	New IBM Installation Manager solution
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Locate and download the feature pack installation package ▪ Install each WebSphere Application Server feature pack separately <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ During installation, you can select an existing installation or browse to a different existing installation <p>NOTE: The required WebSphere Application Server fix pack is bundled with the feature pack even if the fix pack has already been applied to the existing installation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Install the IBM Installation Manager ▪ Start the IBM Installation Manager, and point to the WebSphere repository ▪ Browse to and import the WebSphere Application Server installation into Installation Manager ▪ Select and install the new feature packs

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Earlier installation methods for installing feature packs for WebSphere Application Server used ISMP-based tools. To install these feature packs, you had to locate and download the feature pack installation package and install each feature pack separately. During installation, you can select an existing installation or browse to a particular existing installation location. For each feature pack, the required WebSphere Application Server fix pack is bundled with the feature pack, even if the fix pack has already been applied to the existing installation.

The Feature Pack for CEA uses the new IBM Installation Manager solution. Before installing the feature pack, you need to install IBM Installation Manager. The version of IBM Installation Manager made available with the feature pack is automatically configured to point to the Web repositories for WebSphere products. If you are using a local repository, you need to point to the local repository location. Then, browse to and import the WebSphere Application Server installation into Installation Manager and select and install the new feature packs. The required WebSphere Application Server fix packs are not packaged with the feature packs.

Installation Manager benefits

- Single interface to install, update, uninstall many IBM software products
 - ▶ Replaces dedicated installers and uninstallers and maintenance tools
- Work with multiple packages at the same time
- Reduce product download footprint
 - ▶ Choose which features to install; Installation Manager only downloads the content you need
 - ▶ Required fixes are not bundled with products but downloaded separately
- Simplifies product maintenance
 - ▶ Identifies recommended fixes and can automatically download them
 - ▶ Only lets you download fixes for your platform

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IBM Installation Manager offers several benefits over earlier installation technologies. The single interface is used to install, update, and uninstall many IBM software products, for example, WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Communications Enabled Applications and Rational Application Developer. Installation Manager replaces dedicated installers and uninstallers and other maintenance tools. Installation Manager allows you to work with multiple packages at the same time. You can install multiple feature packs and related fixes all in one pass through the user interface; you can also uninstall multiple packages simultaneously. Installation Manager helps you reduce your product download footprint. You choose the features you want to install, and Installation Manager downloads only the content you need. Required fixes are not bundled with products but are downloaded separately. Installation Manager also simplifies product maintenance. It identifies recommended fixes for you and can automatically download and apply them. It only lets you download fixes for your platform.

Section

Summary



This section gives a summary of this presentation.

Summary

- Use the IBM Installation Manager to install, update, and uninstall the WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Communications Enabled Applications
- Single interface that streamlines product operations, reduces download footprint, and simplifies maintenance



IBM Installation Manager is the tool you use to install, update, and uninstall the WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Communications Enabled Applications. Installation Manager is a single interface that helps you streamline product operations by enabling you to work with multiple product packages at once. By using Web repositories and allowing you to select only the product features you need, Installation Manager can help to reduce product footprint. The Installation Manager also simplifies maintenance by identifying recommended maintenance for your installed products, targeted to your operating system.

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