IBM Director for Linux on System z

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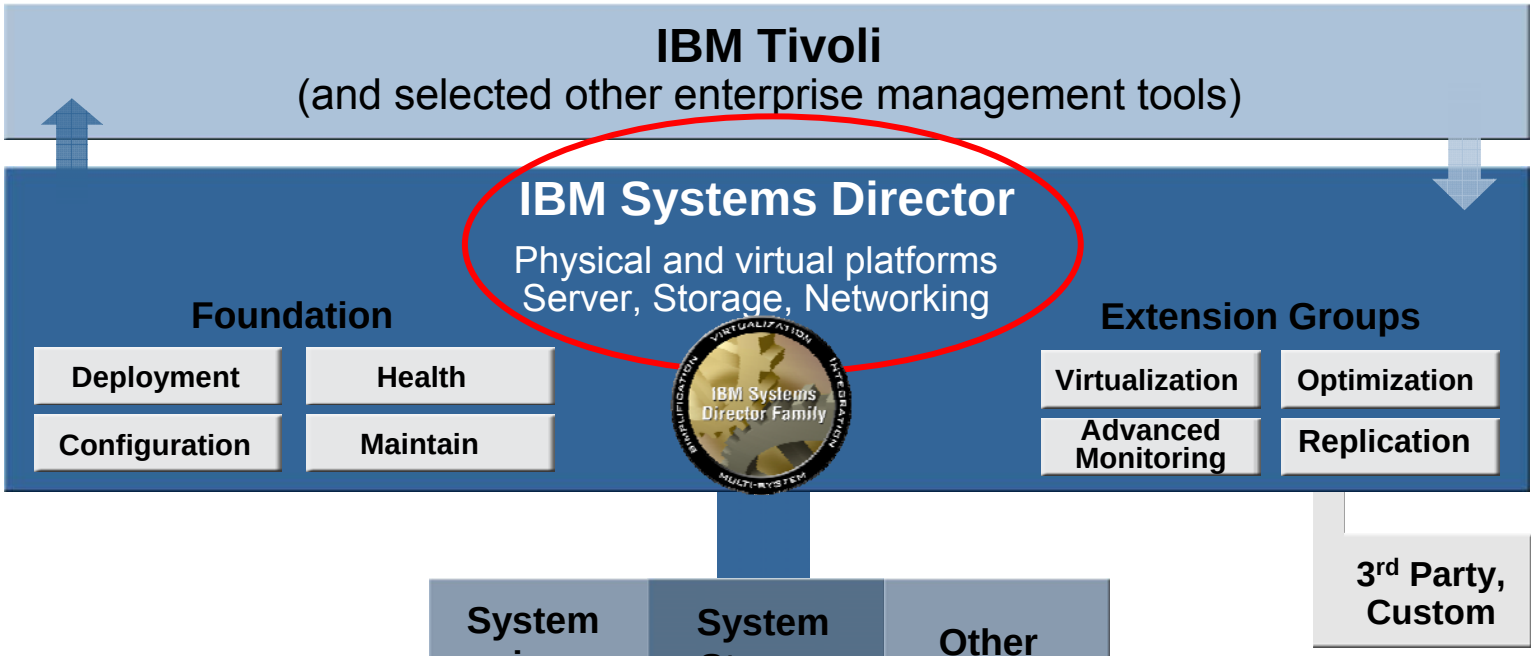

IBM Systems Director family - Virtualize more, manage less

- IBM's unified family of **platform management** tools for managing:
  - Physical and virtual resources together
  - Servers, storage, and networking
  - IBM and compatible non-IBM resources
- Seamless integration with IBM Service Management offerings from Tivoli®
- **Helps lower operational costs and increase productivity:**
  - Simplified management of physical and virtual infrastructure
  - Rapid deployment of IT resources
  - Reduction in time consuming management tasks

IBM Director for Linux on System z

IBM Director for Linux on System 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®

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	
Base	**IBM Director**
Feature	**IBM Director z/VM Center**
Feature	**IBM Director Software Distribution Premium Edition**

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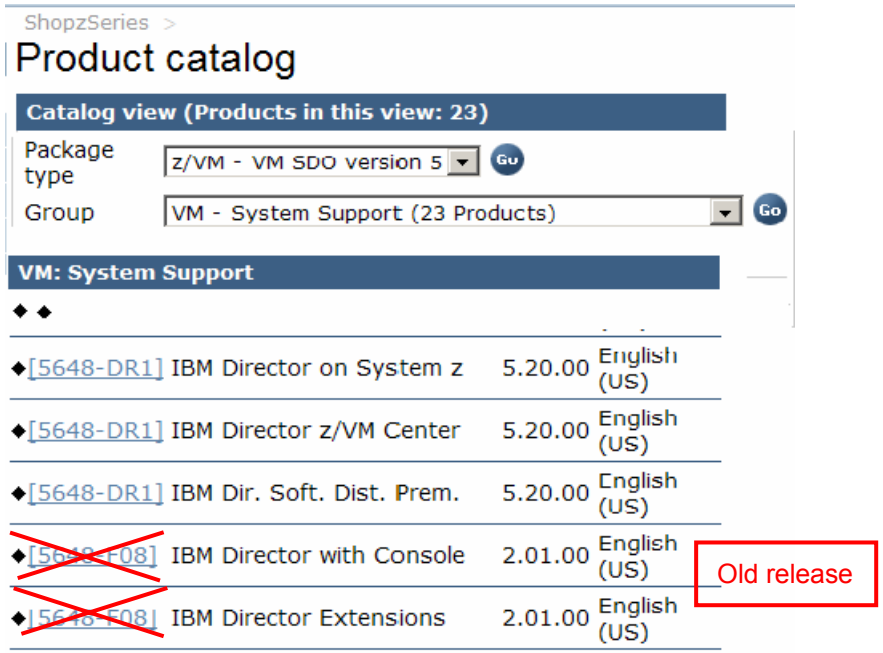
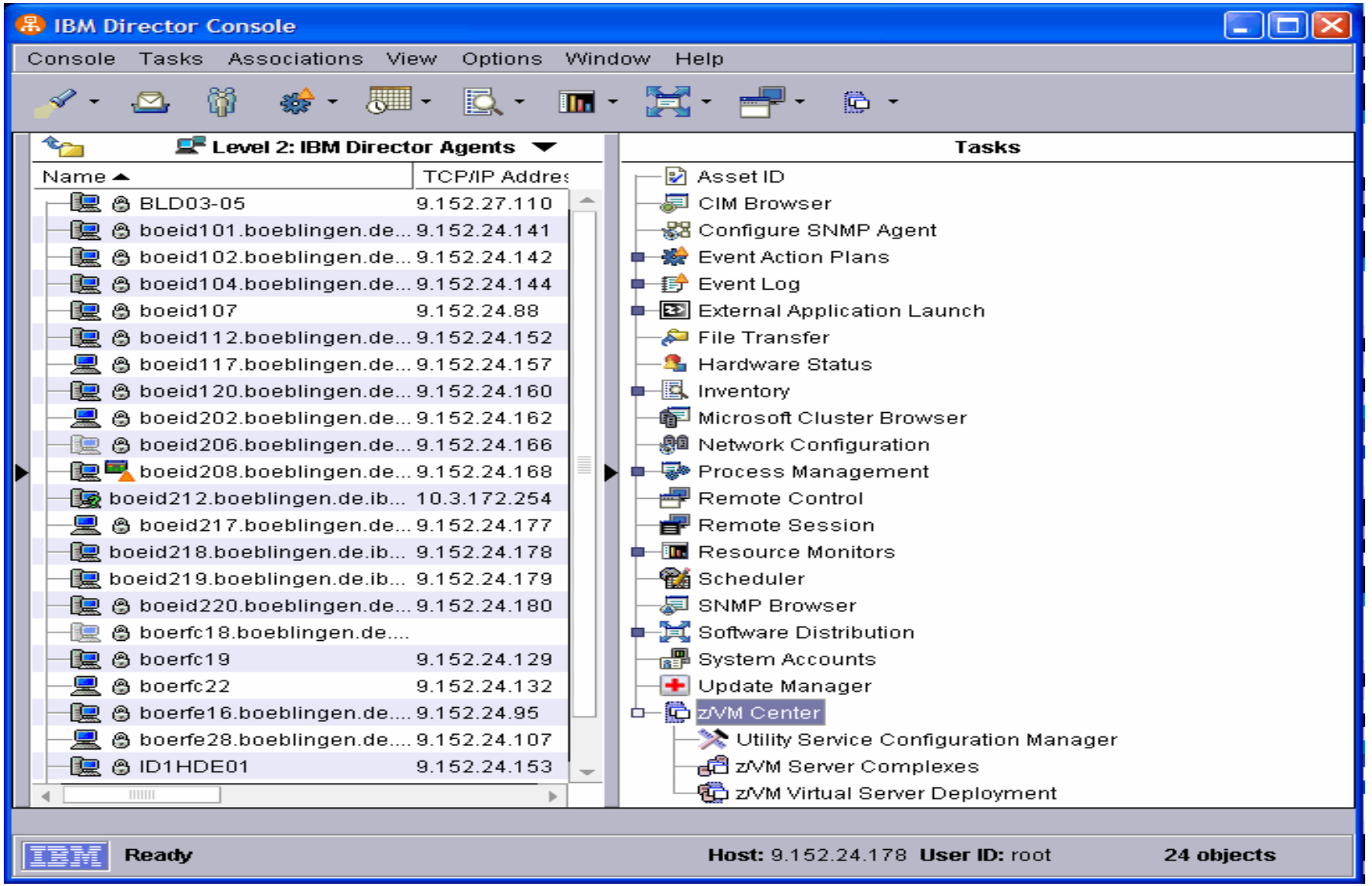


IBM Director - Console



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

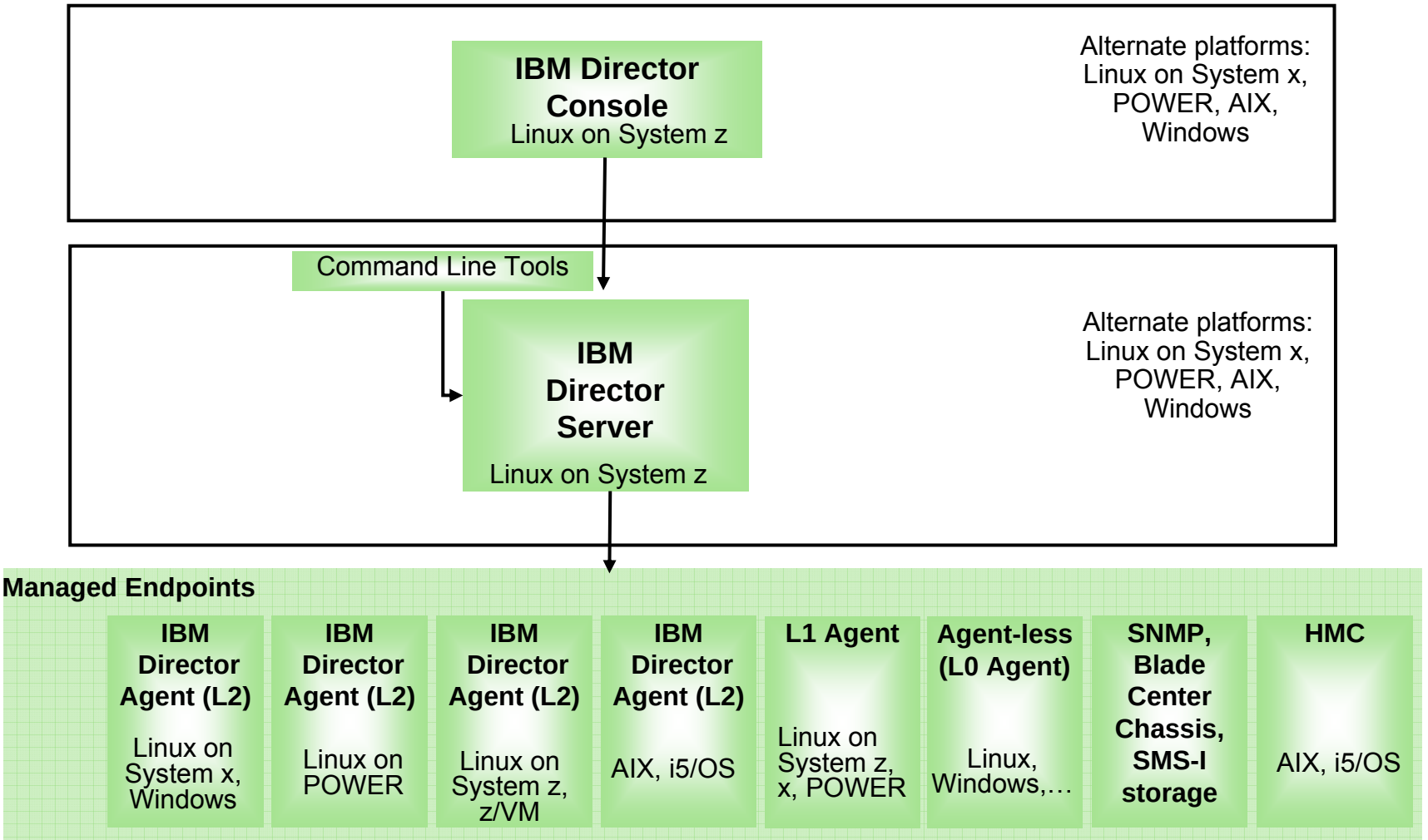
Supported Task

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

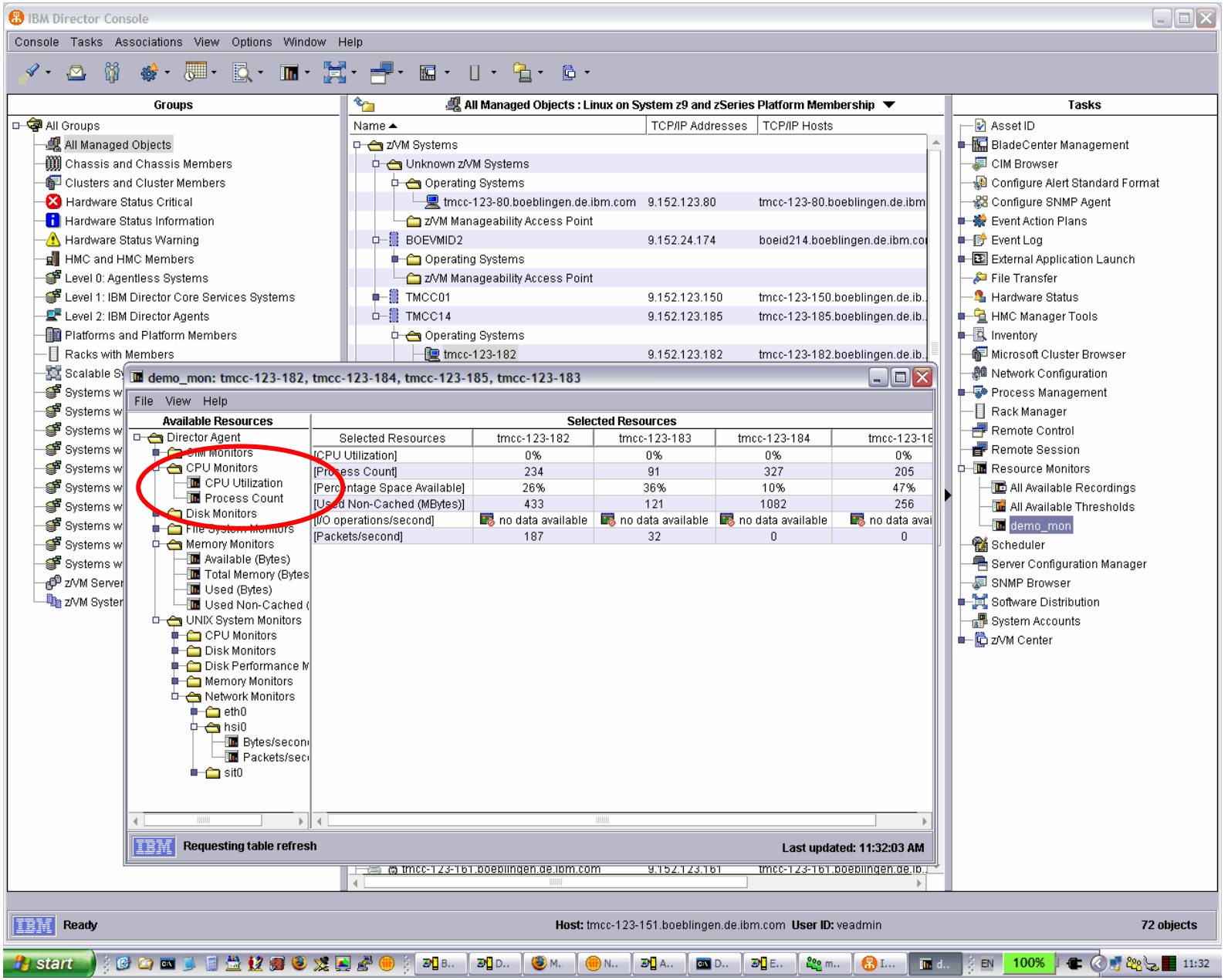
Supported Task	
Remote Session	Establish command line sessions (ssh/telnet) with remote system
File Transfer	Transfer files between management server and managed systems (e.g., to synchronize files, directories, configurations)
CIM Browser	Plain browsing through CIMOM of CIM instrumentation on managed 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

IBM Director - Topology



Overview of Inventory Collected by System

Director Inventory Query	Linux/Windows, System x	Linux System i, p	Linux System z	AIX, I5/OS
Base Inventory via operating system: **•Disk and Logical Drive** **•Installed Memory, Processor** **•Installed Patches and Packages** **•Network Adapter & IP Address** **•Operating System/System Information** **•Physical Enclosure**	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
SNMP Agent Configuration	Yes	Yes	No	No
Serial Number Information	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Asset ID/Personalized Data	Yes	Yes	No	Yes (no AssetID)
Lease/Warranty Information	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A
FRU Service Numbers	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes
Memory Modules	Yes	No	No	No
Firmware	Yes	Yes	N/A	No
BIOS Details	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Processor Details	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
System Board Configuration	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes
Cache	Yes	No	No	No
Port Connectors	Yes	Yes	No	No
Partition, Geographic Information	Yes	Yes	No	Yes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Console Tasks Associations View Options Window Help
Groups
All Groups
All Managed Objects
Chassis and Chassis Members
Clusters and Cluster Members
Hardware Status Critical
Hardware Status Information
Hardware Status Warning
HMC and HMC Members
Level 0: Agentless Systems
Level 1: IBM Director Core Services Systems
Level 2: IBM Director Agents
Platforms and Platform Members
Racks with Members
All Managed Objects : Linux on System z9 and zSeries Platform Membership
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TCP/IP Addresses
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Configure Alert Standard Format
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File Transfer
Hardware Status
HMC Manager Tools
Inventory
Microsoft Cluster Browser
Network Configuration
Process Management
Rack Manager
Remote Control
Remote Session
Resource Monitors
All Available Recordings
All Available Thresholds
demo_mon
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File View Help
Available Resources
Director Agent
CPU Monitors
CPU Utilization
Process Count
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Memory Monitors
Available (Bytes)
Total Memory (Bytes
Used (Bytes)
UNIX System Monitors
CPU Monitors
Disk Monitors
Memory Monitors
Network Monitors
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[Percentage Space Available] 26% 36% 10% 47%
[Used Non-Cached (MBytes)] 433 121 1082 256
[I/O operations/second] no data available no data available no data available
[Packets/second] 187 32 0 0
Requesting table refresh
Last updated: 11:32:03 AM
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72 objects
start
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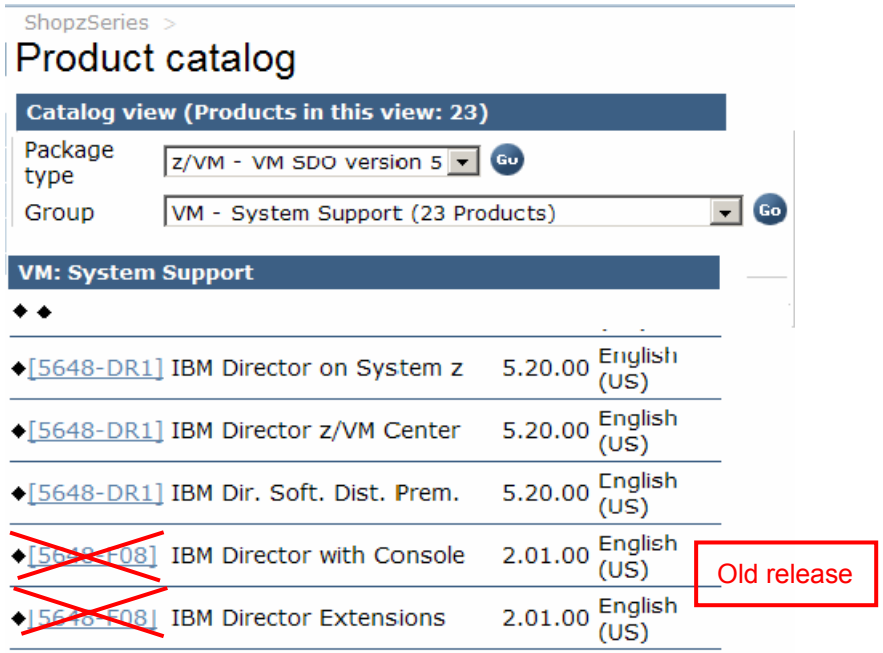
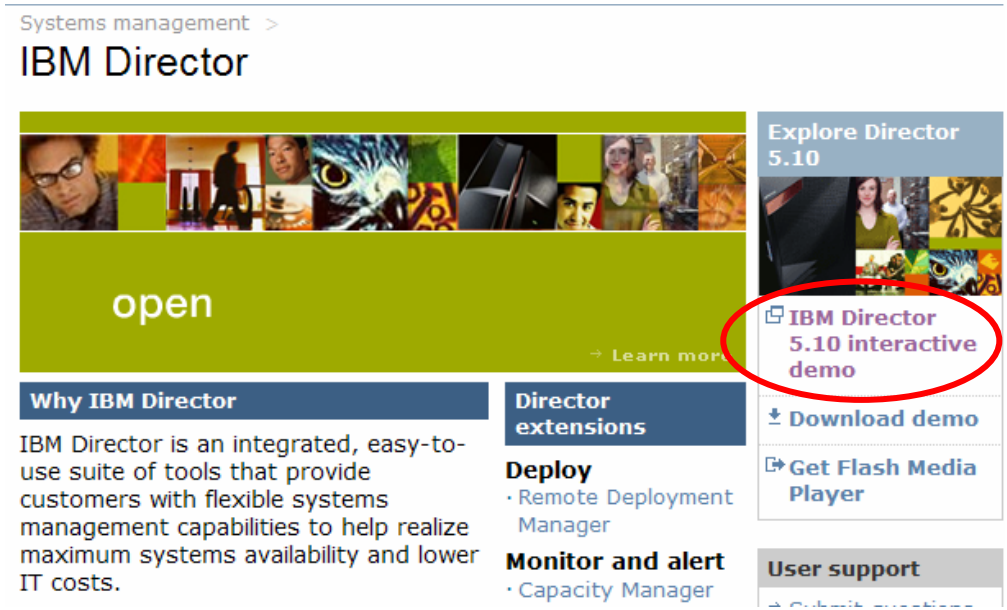
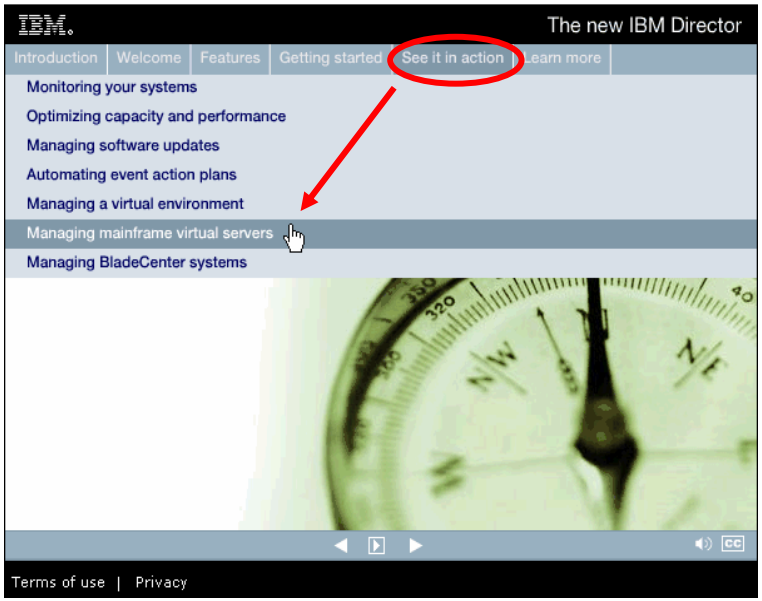


IBM Director Extension - z/VM Center

- **Virtual Server Deployment (VSD) - Easy deployment of Linux virtual servers under z/VM**
  - Creation of templates for virtual server and Linux operating system provisioning
  - Creation of virtual server from template
  - Applying Linux into a virtual server from template





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- **Server Complexes – On-going management of Linux virtual servers**
- **Utility Service Configuration Manager – Ease-of-use application configuration (via HTTP or CIM)**

z/VM Center – Task 'Virtual Server Deployment'

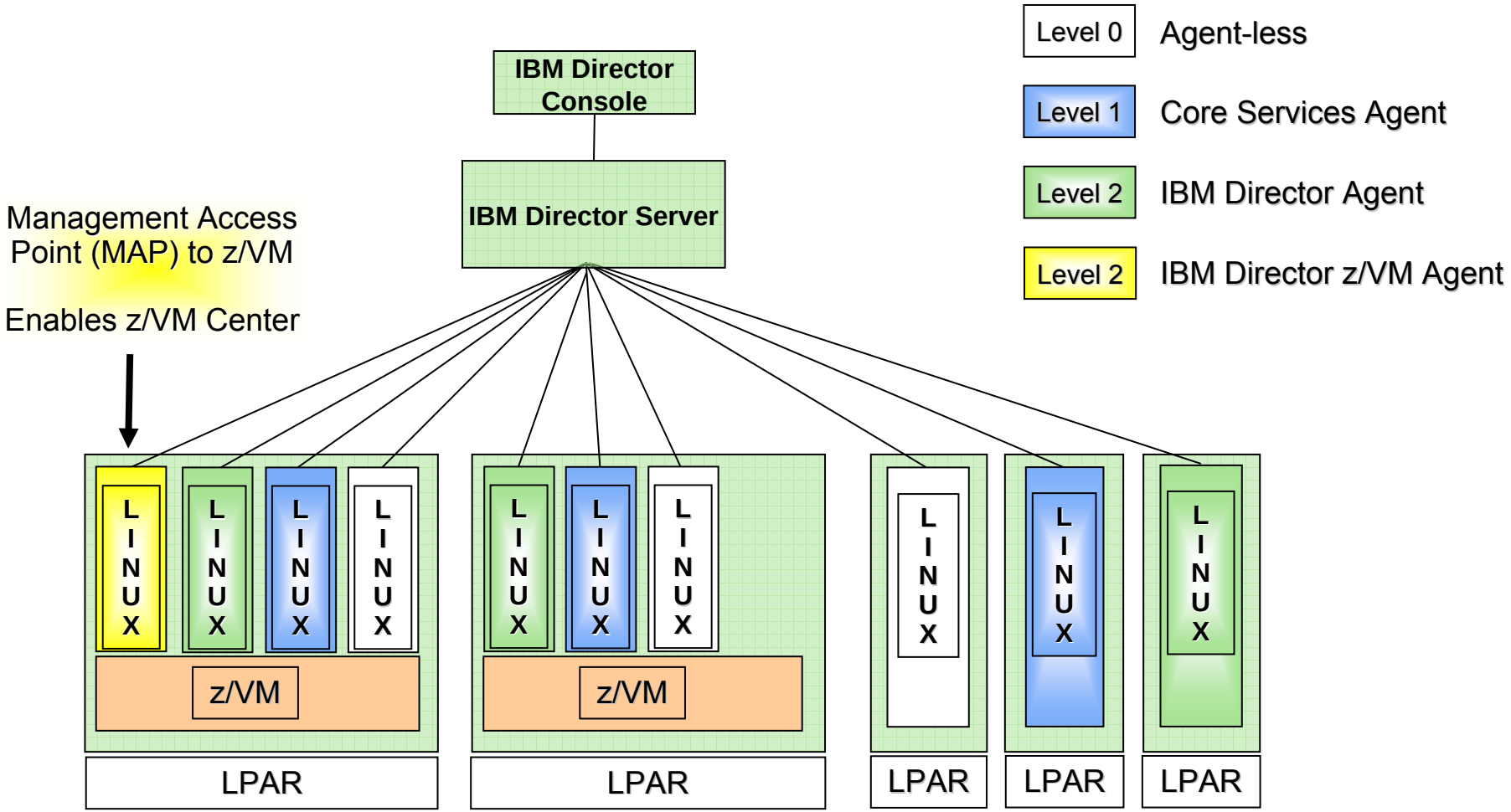
Supported Operating System

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, requires DirMaint – see z/VM Center set-up

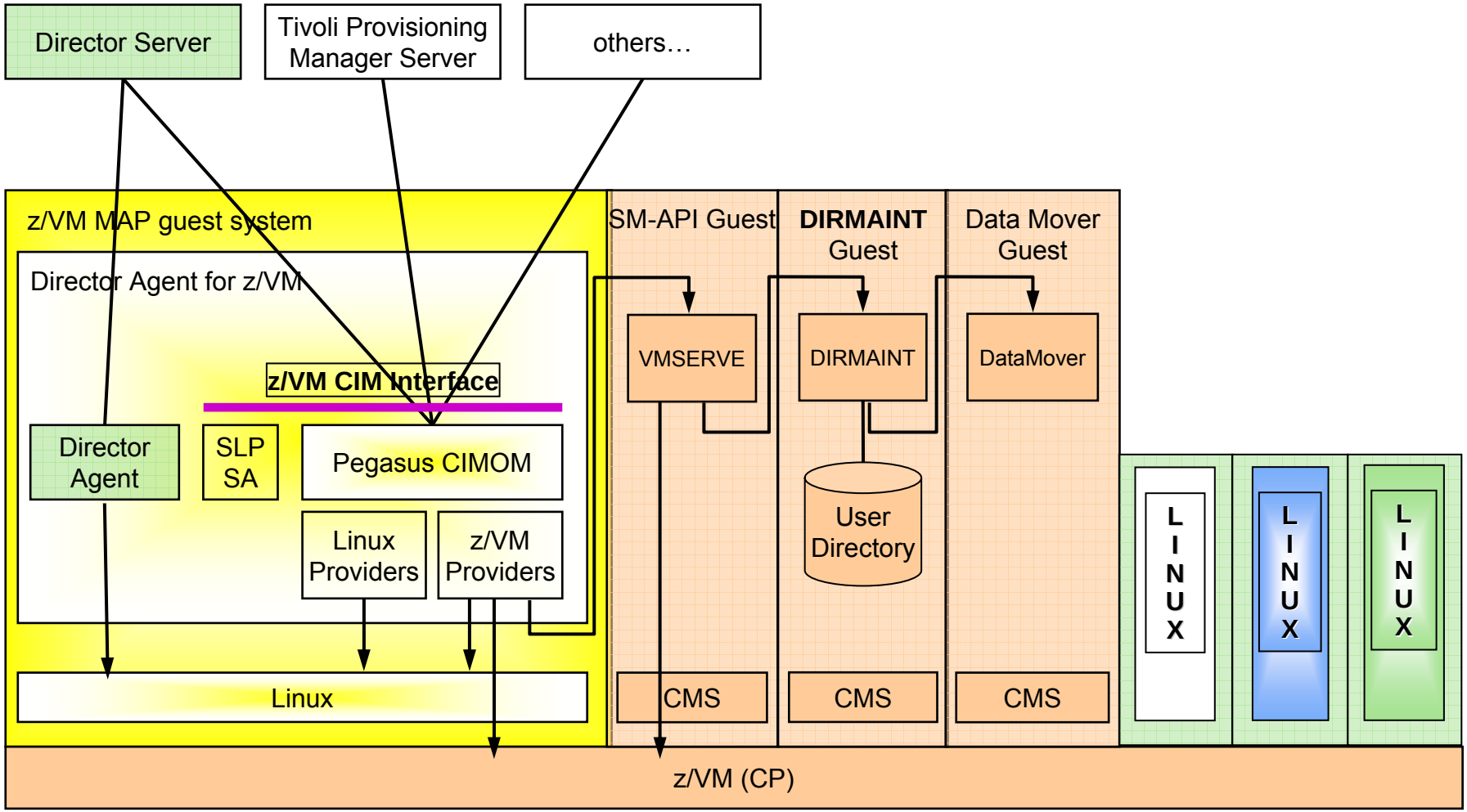
Virtual Server Deployment - Basic provisioning of virtual guests on z/VM

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

IBM Director z/VM Center – System Set-up



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



MAP to z/VM – Assisted Install

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

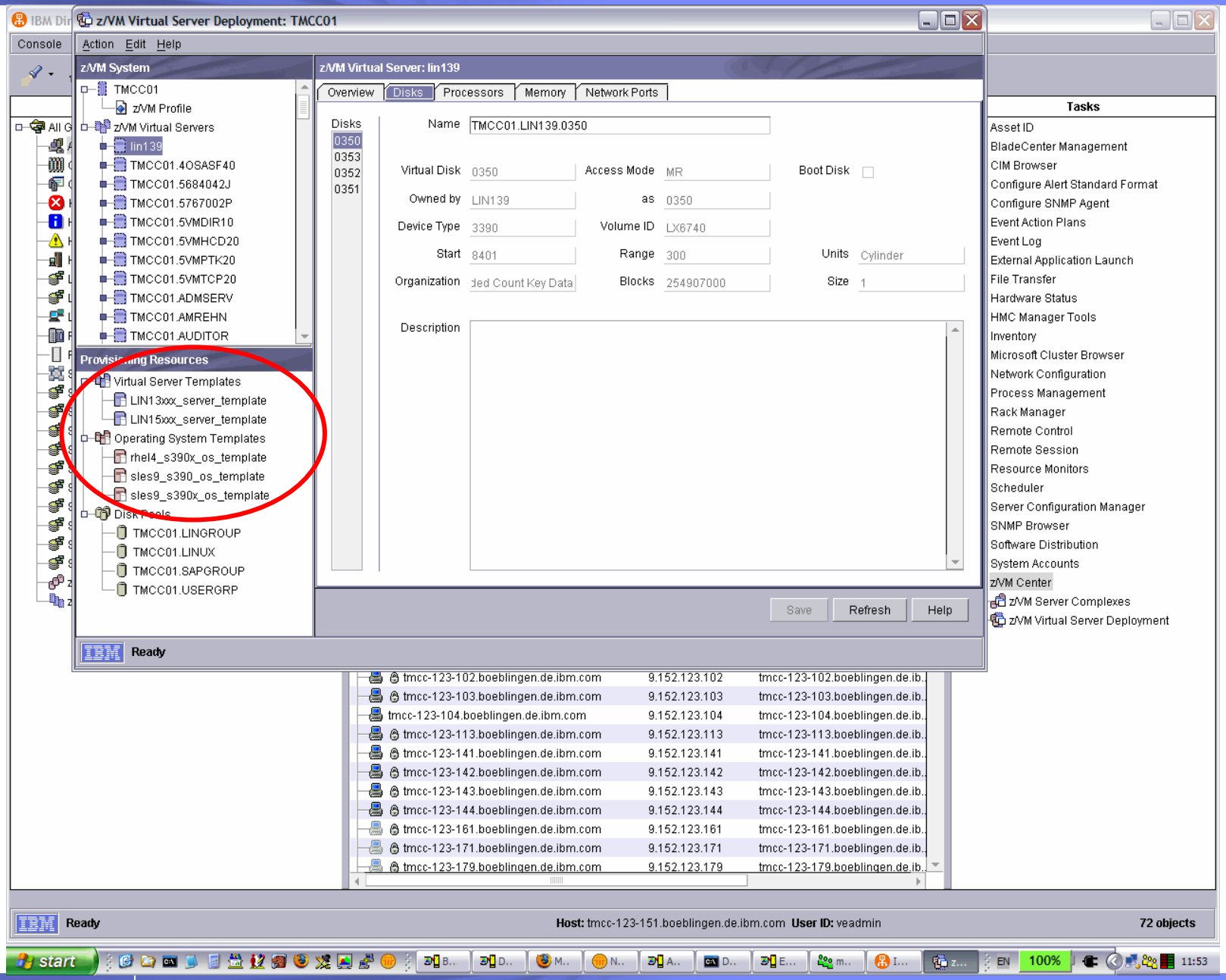
Install the Linux operating system incl. IBM Director Agent and/or Server "out of the box" via delivered:

- 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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Provisioning Resources
Virtual Server Templates
LIN13xxx_server_template
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Operating System Templates
rhel4_s390x_os_template
sles9_s390_os_template
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Disk Pools
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z/VM Virtual Server: lin139
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Event Action Plans
Event Log
External Application Launch
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Hardware Status
HMC Manager Tools
Inventory
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Process Management
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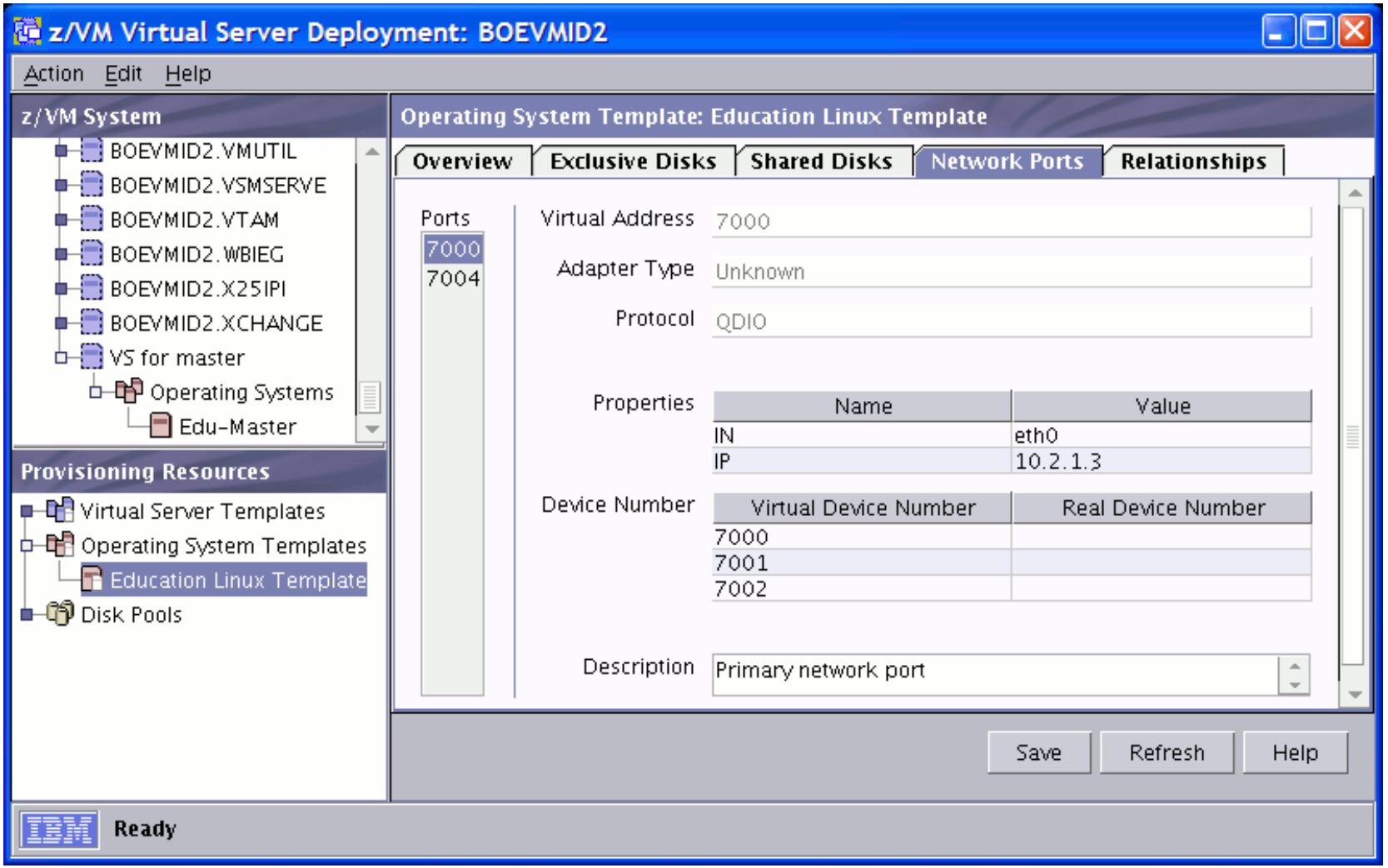
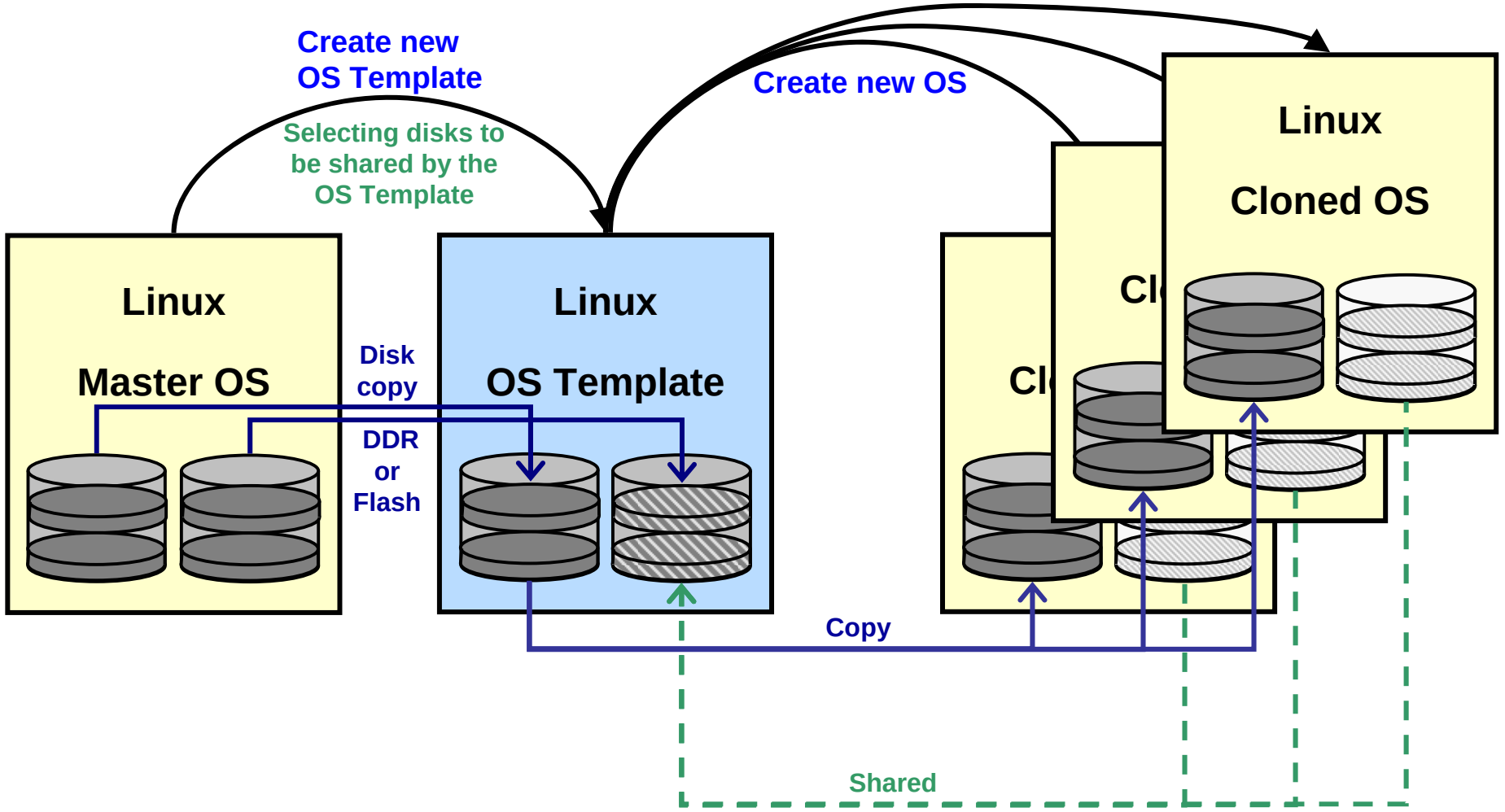
Operating System Template



Operating System (OS) Template - Concept



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

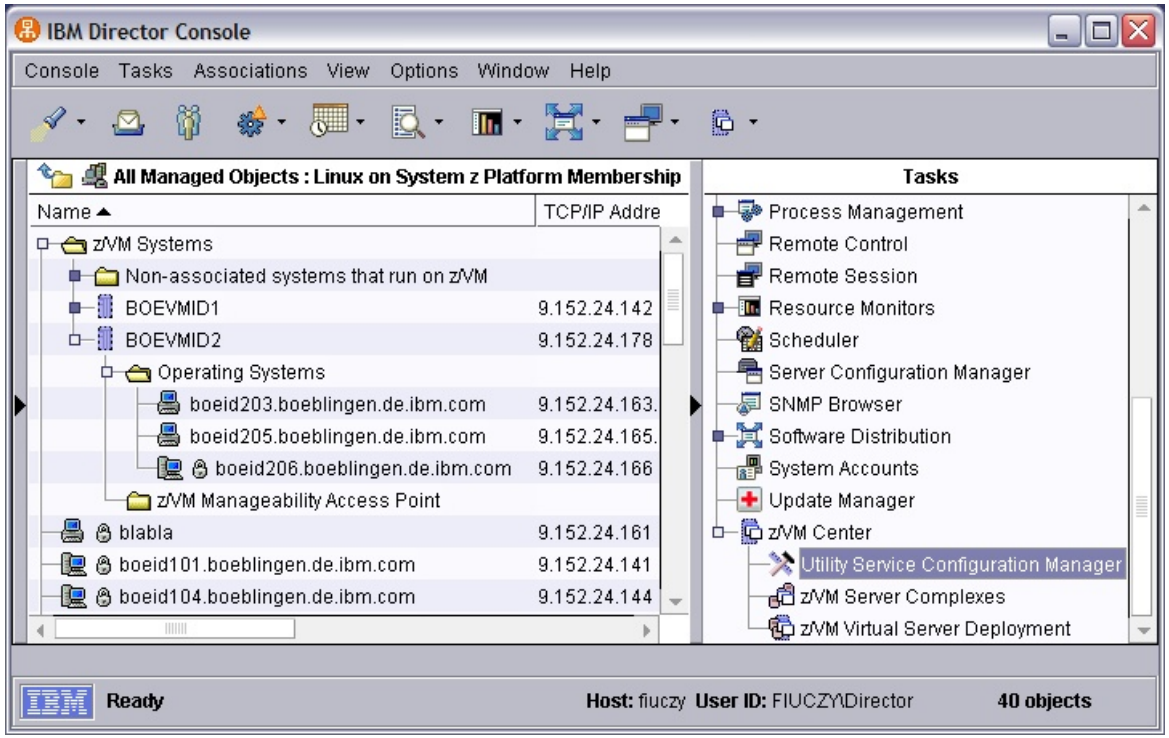
- Virtual Server Deployment with predefined configuration settings
- z/VM Linux guest systems creation with minimal manual interaction

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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Server Complexes - Ease-of-use Virtual 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

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

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

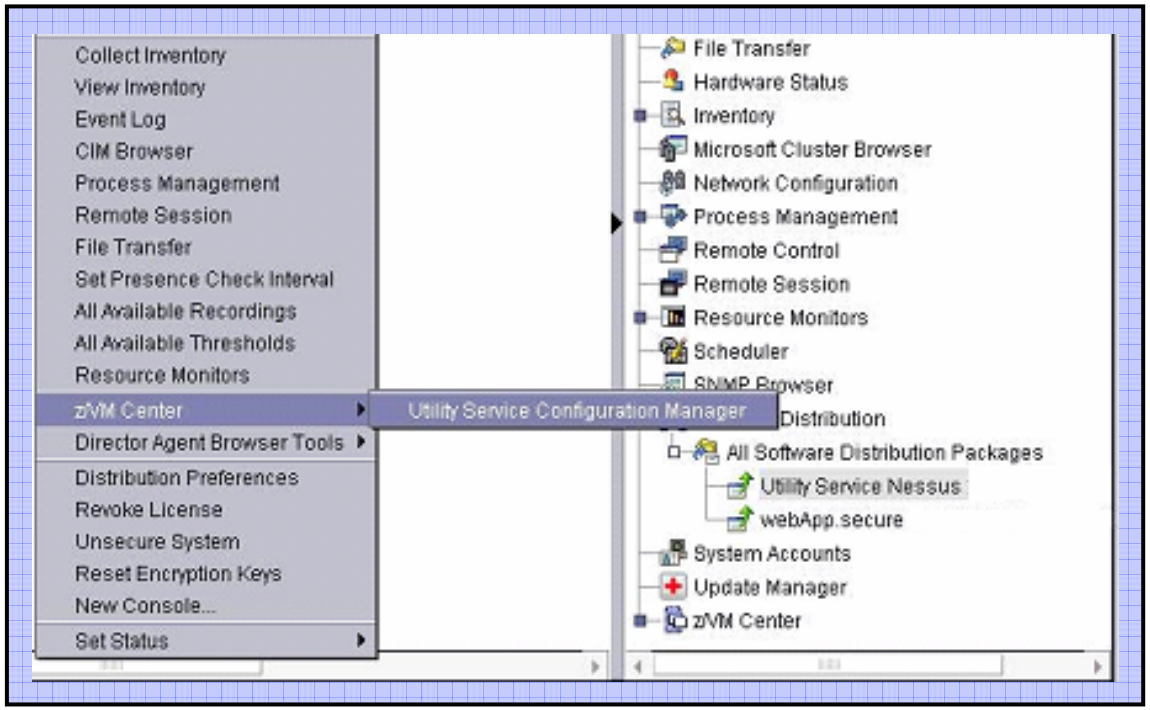
- Application installation and customization steps are prepared
- User can do application installation and configuration without specific knowledge of underlying operating system

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

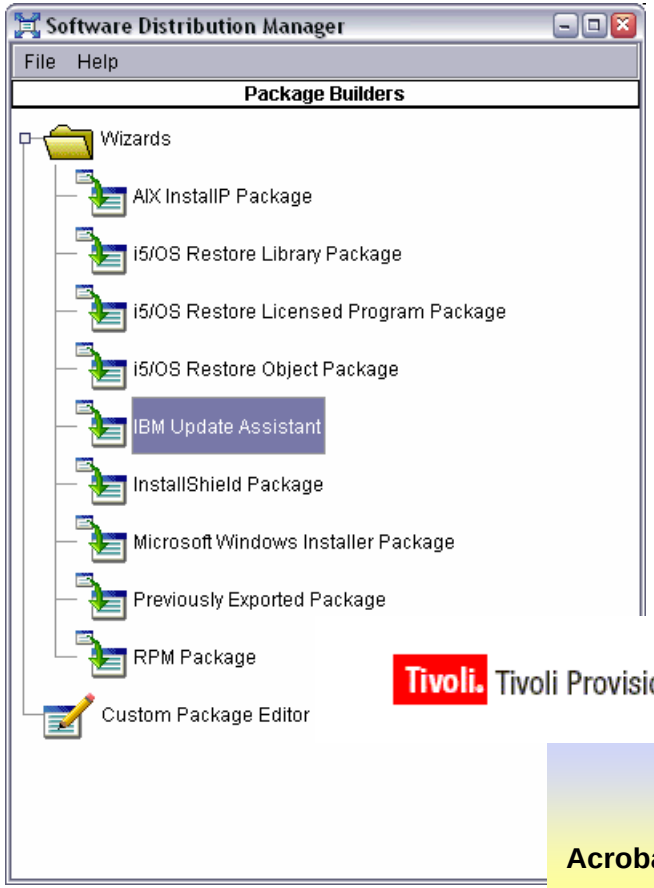
- 'Software distribution' – part of the base management functions of IBM Director allows to distribute IBM-provided software packages
- Premium Edition enables to both build and distribute own software packages

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

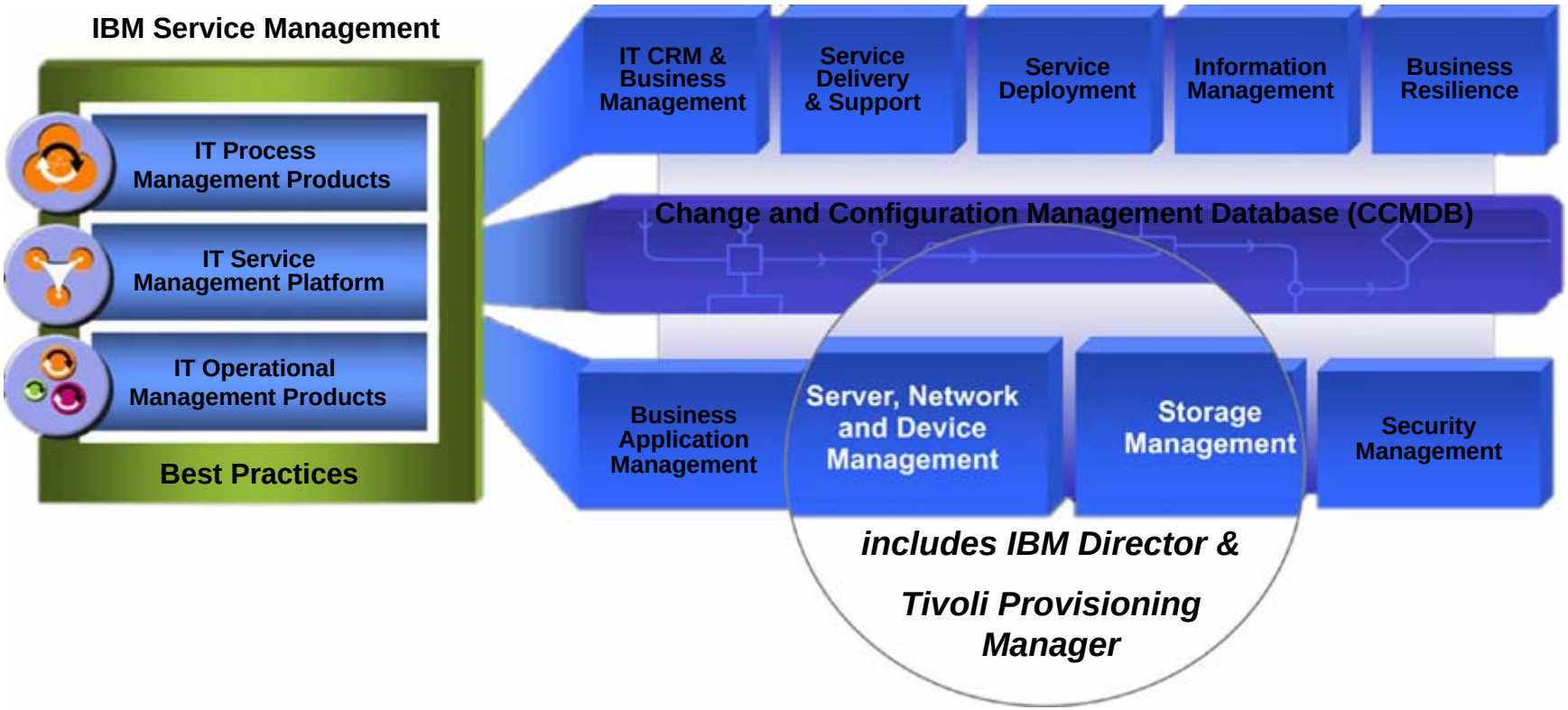
Re-use of software packages

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

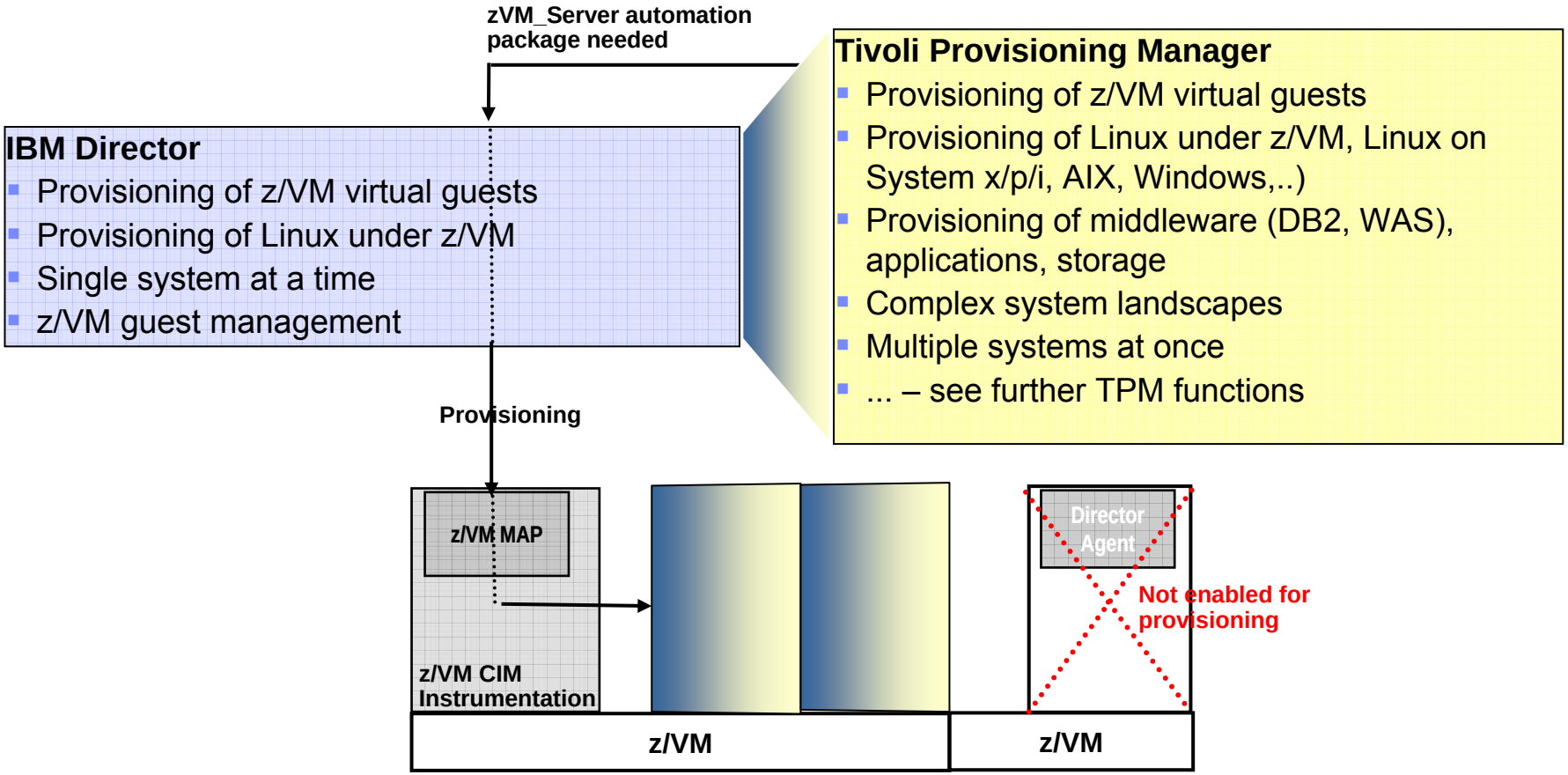


IBM Director and IBM Service Management

A better way to manage the business of IT



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)

Learning Points

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

Appendix

- **Additional Information**
- **Redbook with z/VM MAP installation instruction**

Additional Information and Documentation

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

Announcement - IBM Director V5.20 for Linux on System z:

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
Overview: http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/management/director/extensions/zvm.html

Concepts: http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/eserver/v1r2/index.jsp?topic=/diricinfo/vsd0_c_concepts.html

IBM Director extension – Software Distribution Premium Edition
http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/management/director/extensions/sdpe.html

IBM Director Information Center – see IBM Director V5.20
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IBM Director Documentation and Resources – see z/VM Center v5.10 and v5.20:
http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/management/director/resources/index.html#director_extensions

IBM Director – download page: https://www14.software.ibm.com/webapp/ShopzSeries/ShopzSeries.jsp

Specify Package type ‘z/VM – VM SDO version 5‘ and Group ‘VM – System Support (20 Products)

IBM Director V5.10 updates – download
pagehttp://www-304.ibm.com/jct01004c/systems/support/supportsite.wss/docdisplay?lndocid=MIGR-65094&brandind=5000016

IBM Director 5.10 Interactive demo:
Select ‘See it in action – Managing mainframe virtual servers’: www-03.ibm.com/servers/eserver/xseries/systems_management/ibm_director

z/VM Center scenario – Provisioning Linux to students:
http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/eserver/v1r2/index.jsp?topic=/diricinfo/vsd0_t_zvm_scenarios.html

Additional Information and Documentation cont.

Redpiece 'Managing Linux Guests Using IBM Director and z/VM Center':
http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redpieces/abstracts/redp4312.html

Redbook 'Implementing IBM Director V5.20': http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg246188.html

Redbook 'Virtualization Engine Version 2.1' http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redbooks/pdfs/sg247276.pdf

System management Guide: ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/pc/pccbbs/pc_servers_pdf/dir4.20_docs_sysmgt.pdf

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