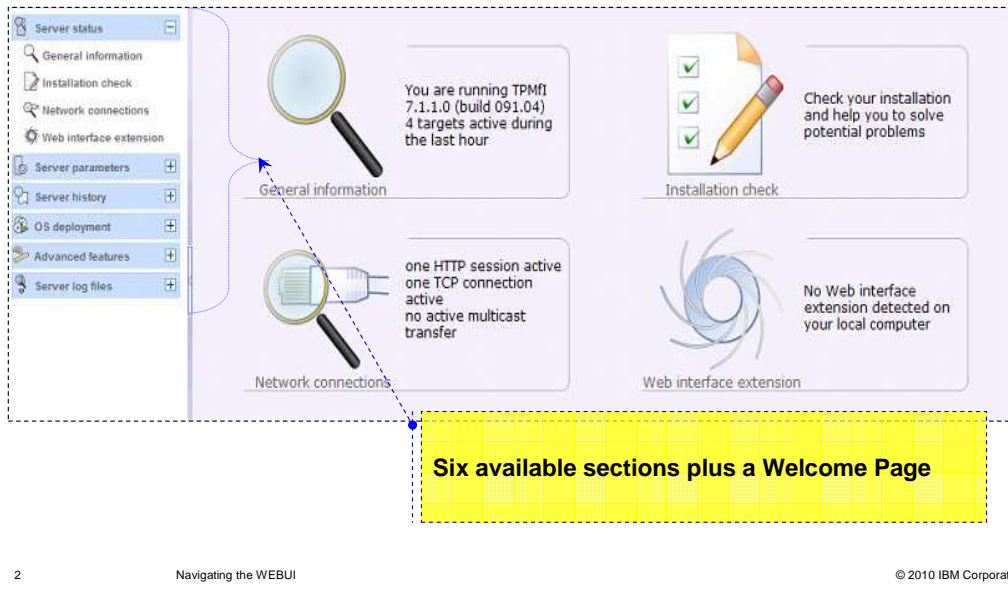

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Navigating the WEBUI



In this module, you will navigate the product WEBUI and see the sections and the options available inside each section. You will also learn about the main product functions that you can use through the WEBUI pages.

WEBUI sections



The Web interface is divided into six sections: Server status; Server parameters; Server history; OS deployment; Advanced features; Server log files; plus a Welcome Page. You can access these components in two different ways: by clicking their respective icons in the main frame of the Web interface; by using the menu provided in the left frame of the Web interface.

Welcome page (1 of 2)

WELCOME

Welcome to IBM Tivoli Provisioning Manager for Images. You will find on this page some hints about a few things you must check and do before starting to work, this includes building some software packages with independent software vendor tools. These tools are required to deploy modern operating systems, but you will have to build these packages only once.

Error check

Ensure that no serious errors occurred in the server logs; this can be checked in detail on the installation check page. Also ensure that there is enough free space on the server.

- ✔ No errors found in log files during the last 30 minutes.
- ✔ 1.55GB left on server filesystem; the disk space is sufficient.

Independent software vendor material

To install an operating system with Tivoli Provisioning Manager for Images, some independent software vendor material is required. You must have:

For Linux scripted installation:

- ✔ An original installation DVD.

For Linux clone installation:

- A reference machine from which to capture the image.

Error check:

- Logs
- Disk space

Third-party software required

You can access the Welcome page by clicking the Tivoli® Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment server name at the top left side of the product WEBUI. The Welcome page has a summary of your server status and information about whether the requirements for operating system deployment are being met. More precisely, you can see reports about errors that have been encountered recently on the server and whether there is enough space for the server processing. You can also find out whether you created at least one Linux® unattended profile and one Linux clone profile.

Welcome page (2 of 2)

For Linux scripted installation:
 ✓ An original installation DVD.

For Linux clone installation:
 • A reference machine from which to capture the image.

For Windows scripted installation:
 • A windows machine with Web interface extension and WAIK installed
 • An original installation DVD.
 ✓ A WinPE 2 engine for TPMFI. ▶ **Make one now.**
 • A valid product key.

For Windows Clone installation:
 • A windows machine with Web interface extension and WAIK installed
 ✓ A WinPE 2 engine for TPMFI. ▶ **Make one now.**
 • A reference machine, prepared with SysPrep, from which to capture the image.
 • A valid product key.

For Windows universal images, you might also need:
 ✓ Windows driver packages.

You can also update BIOS and configure RAID arrays, but to do this you must create Hardware Configurations. They require:

- ✗ For DELL hardware, the OpenManage Deployment Toolkit.
- ✗ For HP hardware, the SmartStart Scripting Toolkit.
- ✗ For IBM hardware, the ServerGuide Scripting Toolkit.

WinPE 2 engine
 Prerequisite for Windows deployments

Hardware environments created for the various Scripting Toolkit tools

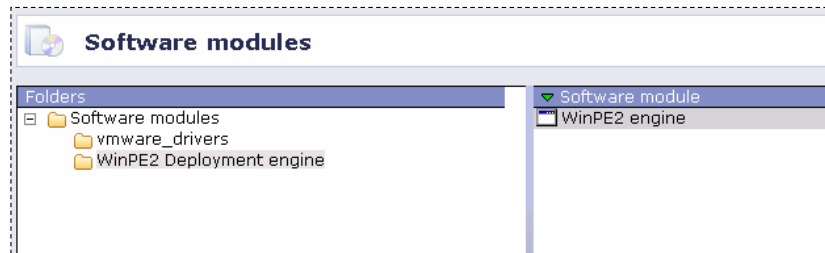
On the Welcome page, you can find information about the machine where you are opening the product WEBUI. You can see if it is a Windows® machine with the Web Interface Extension running and WAIK 32-bit installed. This setup is required to create a WinPE2 software module to deploy unattended and clone Windows profiles. If the WinPE2 software module has not been created, you can click **Make one now** and follow the wizard. The WinPE software module is the standard product layer for the Windows deployments. You can also see if you created hardware environments and configurations for the various hardware vendors.

WinPE 2 engine



All Windows deployments are based on WinPE

For Windows deployments, you must create a WinPE package



As mentioned before, WinPE is the environment where the Windows deployment runs. You can create WinPE from the Welcome page. A software module entry is added to the Software modules WEBUI page after the creation process is finished.

Server status section

The screenshot displays the 'Server status' section of the Tivoli Provisioning Manager for Images. The left-hand navigation pane includes the following items: Server status (selected), General information, Installation check, Network connections, Web interface extension, Server parameters, Server history, OS deployment, Advanced features, and Server log files. The main content area is divided into three sections:

- General information:** You are running TPMFI 7.1.1.0 (build 091.04) 4 targets active during the last hour.
- Network connections:** one HTTP session active, one TCP connection active, no active multicast transfer.
- Installation check:** Check your installation and help you to solve potential problems. A yellow callout box highlights this section with the following items:
 - General system information
 - Summary of errors that happened in the past 30 minutes
 - Network connections information
 - Web interface extension status on the machine where you are opening the browser

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The Server status section is subdivided into four subsections: General information, Installation check, Network connections, and Web interface extension. General information contains general server information, such as the OS deployment server version, the number of active targets, and the last warning messages. Installation check provides a summary of all errors that have happened in the past 30 minutes. They are presented in distinct sections representing their associated log file. Network connections displays the active connections onto the OS deployment server. They are presented with three different links: *Unicast* connections, *Multicast* connections, and *HTTP* connections. The numbers Traffic IN and Traffic OUT are in kilobytes (total number of KB seen on this connection). Web interface extension displays the status of the Web interface extension on the computer that is running the browser. If you are opening the browser from a machine different from the Tivoli Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment where you have not installed the Web interface extension yet, you have a red status. You can download the Web Interface Extension installation package for the specific operation system type to install it.

Server parameters section

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> ibm-dffe3198623 > Server parameters

- Server status
- Server parameters**
- Server configuration
- HTTP console security
- Predefined channels
- Hardware handling
- Server replication
- Server history
- OS deployment
- Advanced features
- Server log files

Server configuration
OS deployment server running in debuglevel 3: Log significant information

HTTP console access management
HTTP console security

Predefined channels
You have one TCP tunnel defined and there is no defined authentication domain

Server replication
You have a single OS deployment server in the database, 1 active, and no replicated OS deployment server

- Customize the server settings, such as the server debug level
- Set the access rights for the users accessing the WEBUI and define authentication domains
- Manage the server hierarchy in a multiserver environment (parent and child servers) and start the replication

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The Server parameters section is for the OS configuration of the Provisioning server. The section is divided into five subsections. Server configuration provides read and write access to the main server OS configuration parameters. HTTP console security allows you to change the administrator name and password. You can also create security roles to secure access to the OS deployment server through the Web interface. Predefined channels is the location to define TCP tunnels and authentication domains. Hardware handling provides information about the known compatibility and incompatibility of hardware devices with Tivoli Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment. Server replication is the subsection where you can replicate parent and child servers.

Improving the deployment efficiency with network share

Deployment scheme

and

Configuration

Useful for Vista deployments that use large WIM files

➔ Share the folder containing the Tivoli Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment partition directory

Note:
When using this configuration, the download is in unicast mode

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On the OS Configuration page inside the Server parameters section, you can configure a shared directory to improve the image transfer efficiency during Microsoft® Vista/2008 deployments. Generally, a Windows Vista/2008 profile contains a WIM file greater in size than 1 GB and this file must be transferred from the server to the target system during the deployment. You can set the server shared repository folder containing the image files using the **Relative directory for the shared repository** field. Then, you can set the option **Download files with a network share when applicable** to **Yes** in the scheme that you will use for your deployment. The image transfer is always executed in unicast mode when using a network share configuration.

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Server history section

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> ibm-dffe3198623 > Server history

- Server status
- Server parameters
- Server history
- Server statistics
- Deployment statistics
- Modification history
- Tasks
- OS deployment
- Advanced features
- Server log files

Real-time task graphs for the OS deployment server

Modification history of the OS deployment server objects

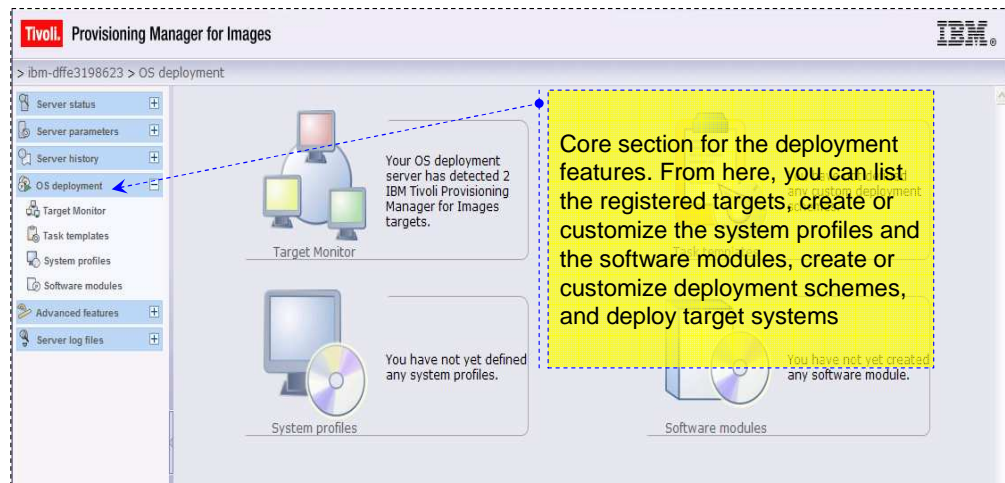
Tasks

- Statistics for the server and the operating system deployments
- Objects and configuration modification history
- Scheduled, running, and completed tasks

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The Server history section helps you monitor the tasks of your OS deployment server. The section is divided into four subsections. Server statistics contains three pages that show graphically the load of the deployment server. Deployment statistics shows you, in tabular form, when deployments were performed. The time span might be the last 24 hours, the last month, or the last two years. You can select to view successful or failed deployments by OS configuration, by deployment scheme, by computer model, or by administrative group. Modification history keeps track of creations, deletions, and modifications. This tracking is used for OS configurations, system profiles, deployment schemes, and software modules. For every update, the page displays the date and time of the update, the author, the item description, and the version number. Tasks page includes the performed actions. Examples of tasks are deployment, creation of cloning profiles, and detection of the operating system that is currently on a target. You can also see a description, an execution and an expiration date, current state, and progress rate. To cancel a task, select **Cancel task** from the contextual menu when a target is selected. You can export the log files for a specific task. To do that, you expand the task by clicking plus sign (+) and right-clicking the target. Then, you select the option to export the debug data. It will export the logs (both the server and tasks logs) into a .cab file.

OS deployment section



The OS deployment section provides access to the main functions of Tivoli Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment. You can manage targets and prepare and run deployments. The section is divided into four subsections: Target Monitor to manage the targets; Task template to manage screen layouts on the target and deployment schemes; System Profiles to manage the operating system profiles and OS configurations; Software modules to manage software to be deployed with an operating system. Because this is the core section in the product WEBUI, you will see the subsections in detail in the next slides.

OS deployment target monitor page

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10.2.1.30 > OS deployment > Target Monitor

Target Monitor

Folders

- targets
 - by Administrative groups
 - Default
 - OS deployment snapshots
 - by Custom Lists
 - by dynamic searches
 - by Hypervisor
 - by Subnet

target / IP	Mac
pc-5452000B0B77	54:52:00:0B:0B:77
pc-545200709055	54:52:00:70:90:55
10.2.1.10	00:50:56:49:20:E5 KDFHBHV
Windows 2003 Srv	00:0C:29:59:1F:71 VMware-56 4
10.2.1.129	00:0C:29:C8:6F:49 VMware-56 4
10.2.1.137	00:11:25:EE:FD:F2 LMYD6KR
10.2.1.139	00:0C:29:9B:E3:39 VMware-56 4
Vista_new_VM	00:0C:29:88:76:67 VMware-56 4
10.2.1.148	00:0C:29:01:CC:B7
10.2.1.151	00:16:41:2C:21:A4 LMFFF8V
10.2.1.202	54:52:00:2B:1D:0F

Machines are known to the system:

- after their first network boot
- if manually registered (MAC, serial, UUID, IP)

From the OS Deployment > Target Monitor panel, you can perform several operations regarding the target systems. You can import a list of targets or register targets individually, view the targets by subnet, or customize the target details. You can also start a deployment, restore a snapshot profile on a target system, or capture its hardware configuration, that is capture the RAID and fiber channel information.

Additional features wizard

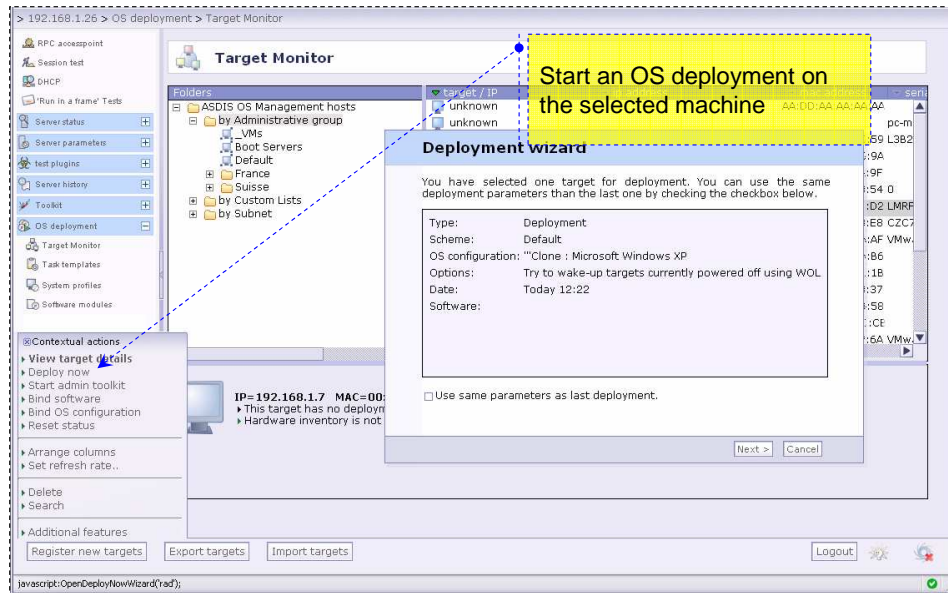
The screenshot displays the 'Target Monitor' interface. On the left, a sidebar contains a 'Contextual actions' menu with options like 'View target details', 'Deploy now', 'Bind software', 'Bind OS configuration', 'Reset status', 'Arrange columns', 'Set refresh rate..', 'Register new targets', 'Delete', 'Search', 'Additional features', 'Export targets to file', 'Import targets', and 'Logout'. The 'Additional features' option is highlighted. A dialog box titled 'Additional features wizard' is open, showing a list of actions for a selected target: 'Destroy hard disk contents', 'Restore a profile' (selected), and 'Capture hardware parameters'. A yellow callout box on the right contains the following text:

In the **Contextual actions** menu you can list all the operations that can be done on the known target systems. You can send a deployment and manage the software module and OS configuration bindings. You can use additional features, like format the target disk, restore a snapshot image profile, or start a hardware capture task.

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By right-clicking a target system or using the Contextual actions menu, you can select the **Additional features** option. A wizard opens in which you can perform the following operations: format the target disk; restore a snapshot image profile (only for Windows systems); capture the hardware parameters (for the RAID and fiber channel configuration). Each menu option selection starts the related task on the specific target system.

Deploying a target machine



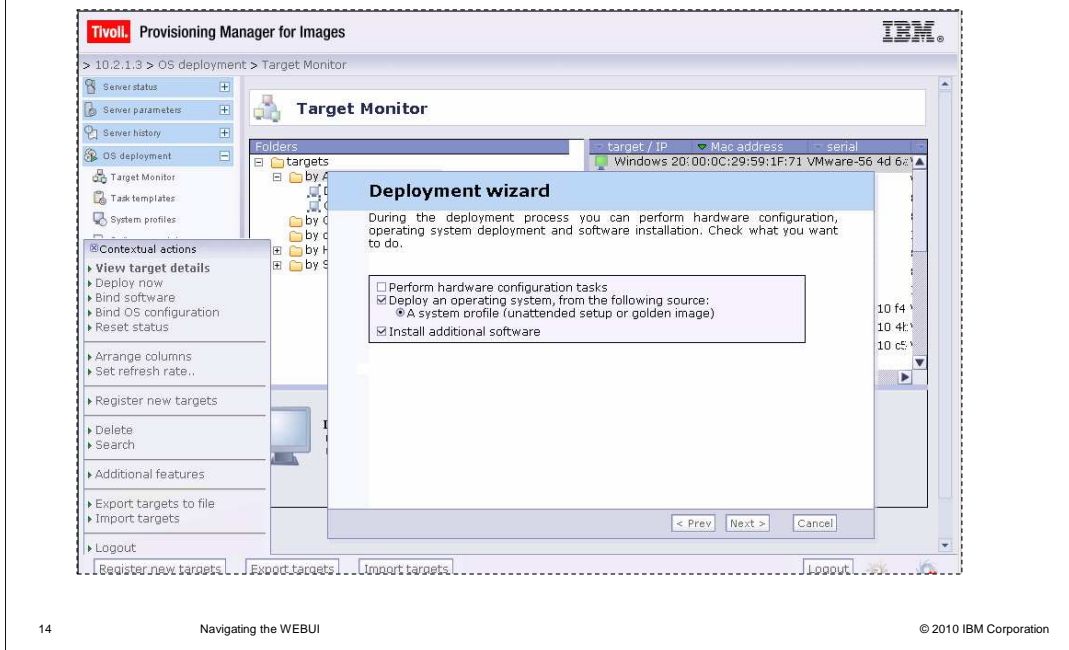
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From the OS Deployment > Target Monitor page, you can start an operating system deployment on a target. To start the Deployment wizard, you select the machine and select the **Deploy now** option in the Contextual menu. Or, you right-click the target system.

Deployment wizard



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In the Deployment wizard, you can deploy system profiles and software modules. You can also start hardware configuration tasks as predeployment operations or stand-alone operations. You create both a hardware environment for the specific hardware vendor and a hardware configuration to perform a hardware tasks configuration.

Task templates page

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> tpmfspd > OS deployment > Task templates

Task templates

Folders

- Task Templates
 - Administrator
 - Toolkit Layout
 - Deployment Schemes
 - Idle Layout
 - Menu Layout
 - OS Detection Layout
 - Profile Creation Layout
 - Profile Restoration Layout
 - State Capture Layout
 - State Restoration Layout

Template description

- Default
- redeployment

Deployment Schemes > Redeployment

Idle Layout: Handling on unknown targets

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On the Task templates page, you can create and customize deployment schemes. These schemes specify the way your predefined OS configurations are installed onto targets. Redeployment schemes are for the redeployment features. You can set the layouts for the various operations on the targets and customize the **Idle State** within the Idle Layout for handling unknown targets.

System profiles page

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> 10.2.1.3 > OS deployment > System profiles

System profiles

Folders

- System profiles
 - Setup : Linux SLES10 Setup
 - Setup : Windows Server 2003, EE FAT32
 - Setup : Windows Server 2003, EE NTFS
 - SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 10 (i586)
 - Windows Server (R) 2008 Enterprise

This tree shows your **System profiles** currently defined. The selected folder If you need to organize them, you can sort them into subfolders.

Contextual actions

- Add a new profile
- Export to .RAD file
- Import from .RAD file
- Create deployment media
- Logout

New profile RAD Export RAD Import Generate Media Logout

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On the System profiles page, you can start a system profile creation for the supported operating systems or customize an existing system profile you created. You can also export profiles into .rad files (.RAD Export button) or import .rad files previously exported (.RAD Import button).

Quick overview of creating a system profile

Profile Wizard

This wizard guides you through the process of creating a new system profile. A system profile contains the partition layout and files necessary for deployment.

A machine can be automatically installed either by running a full setup procedure, or by cloning a reference machine, by cloning an installation file such as a WIM image. Choose the type of system profile that you want to create:

- Unattended setup (scripted install)
- Cloning from a reference image file
- Cloning from a reference machine

Note: The Web interface extension must be installed and running on your local computer for you to create an image file clone.

Next > Cancel

An unattended system profile

1. Have DVD/CD with the product key
2. Install Web interface extension where your browser is running
3. Select the correct folder
Information about the OS is displayed
4. Introduce all parameters related to this profile into the different panels in the Web console now or later

A cloning system profile from a reference image file (WIM clone image)

1. Have the files for Windows or Solaris
Information about the OS is displayed
2. Introduce all the parameters related to this profile into the different panels in the Web console now or later

A cloning system profile from a reference machine

1. Have a computer properly installed (OS and applications)
2. For a Windows OS, you must sysprep the computer
3. Reboot the computer
The computer must boot onto the Tivoli Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment server

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This slide provides a quick overview of the options that are available in the Profile Wizard when you create a new system profile. You can create three system profile types: Unattended setup from a specific operating system image, such as a DVD/CD; Cloning from a reference image file, such as a WIM file or Solaris Flash Archive file; Cloning from a reference machine, such as an installed system (Windows or Linux on Intel®) that is previously prepared.

Editing the profile details

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10.2.1.3 > OS deployment > System profiles > Profile details

Profile details

A system profile is a complete image of the operating system that must be installed to the target computer hard disk during a deployment. It mainly consists of a set of partition images.

Details	Conf
Disk image: stpvndvs903774	Profile name: Setup : Windows Server 2003, EE FAT32
Version: 3 [20080609 14:45:26]	OS code page:
OS type: Windows 2003 Setup	System catg 0:
Hot modal:	System catg 1:
CMOS image:	System catg 2:
Comment:	System catg 3:

Original partition layout

Here is the original partition as defined when your profile was created. You can edit it here if you want to change the layout for all configurations associated to this profile. Alternatively, you can customize the partition layout individually for each configuration.

Logical Disk 1 mapped on disk0.

FAT32
100%

- ▶ Modify partition layout
- ▶ Modify device mapping
- ▶ Browse image of primary partition 1 (approx. 503MB on disk)
- ▶ Get more information on the OS in the image

▶ Add an additional disk

OS configurations

The operating system post-configuration parameters such as language settings, etc. are stored in one or more OS configuration objects, attached to the profile and listed below. Click on an OS configuration to view and edit it.

- ▶ OS configurations for profile Setup : Windows Server 2003, EE FAT32
 - ▶ Setup : Windows Server 2003, Enterprise Edition

From the System profiles page, you can customize the profile and its OS configuration by right-clicking the specific system profile and editing the profile.

Example of changing the partition layout

The screenshot displays the 'Profile details' page for a Windows Server (R) 2008 Enterprise profile. The 'Original partition layout' section shows a single NTFS partition on Logical Disk 1 mapped to disk0. A yellow callout box highlights the following actions:

- Change disk and partition layout
- Modify device mapping
- Browse disk partitions

Below the partition bar, a list of actions is available:

- ▶ Modify partition layout
- ▶ Modify device mapping
- ▶ Browse Image of primary partition 1 (approx. 6.24GB on disk, NTFS)
- ▶ Get more information on the OS in the image

At the bottom of the partition layout area, there is an option to 'Add an additional disk'.

For example, in the Profile details, you can customize the partition layout (add new partitions, remove existing partitions, customize the partition), add new disks, and browse the image of the partitions.

Generating media

Generate Media

Deployment Media Wizard

This wizard will help you to create deployment media such as CD,DVD or USB key. Using such media, you can install machines without network connectivity. You can also create a network boot CD or USB key, making it possible to use Tivoli Provisioning Manager for Images without PXE or DHCP. CD/DVD can be protected with a time-limited activation code.

Please choose the kind of action do you want to perform.

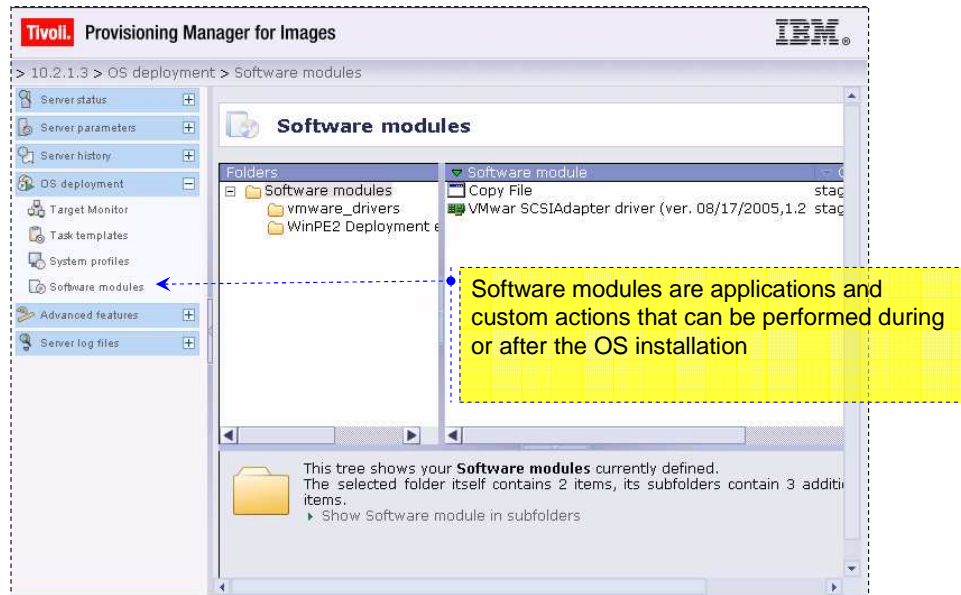
- Create a deployment CD/DVD
- Create a deployment USB key
- Create a Network boot CD/DVD
- Create a Network boot USB key
- Generate a new activation code

CD/DVD deployment
 USB deployment
 Network boot CD/DVD
 Network boot USB

Next > Cancel

On the System Profiles page, you can start the creation of a deployment media. You can select CD/DVD or USB key to install machines that are not connected to the network. Or, you can select network boot CD/DVD or USB key to emulate the PXE boot on target systems, for example, when the NIC on the target is not PXE-enabled.

OS deployment software modules page



On the Software modules page, you can create and customize software modules to cover most of the software installation scenarios. These scenarios might include installation of Windows drivers, MSI applications, or custom actions for the various supported operating systems. You can customize the software modules to be installed during the operating system deployment or to be installed after the operating system has been installed and after additional reboots.

Advanced features section

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> 10.2.1.3 > Advanced features > Hardware configurations

- Server status
- Server parameters
- Server history
- OS deployment
- Advanced features
- Hardware configurations
- Server log files

Hardware configurations

Available hardware environments

available hardware environments

Available hardware configurations

Folders

- Hardware configurations

This tree shows the hardware configuration defined. These might be applied just before deploying operating system on targets allowing hardware configurations (such as BIOS settings, RAID configuration and so on...) to be

Hardware configurations are pre-OS installation tasks (BIOS update, RAID configuration)

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The Advanced features section includes the Hardware configuration page to create both hardware environments and hardware configurations.

Server log files section

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- Server status
- Server parameters
- Server history
- OS deployment
- Advanced features
- Server log files**
- Boot log file
- File log file
- HTTP log file
- NBP log file
- TCP log file
- VM log file
- Sync log file
- Log file cleaning

Boot log file
The Boot log is useful to diagnose DHCP/TFTP problems

File log file
The File log is useful to diagnose multicast file transfer problems

HTTP log file
The HTTP log records requests made by the Web interface

NBP log file
The NBP log records remote client commands such as authentication, file transfers, etc.

TCP log file
The TCP log is used to diagnose unicast file transfer problems

Sync log file
The Sync log records events generated by OS deployment server replication tasks

VM log file
The VM log records remote client commands such as authentication, file transfers, etc.

Log file cleaning
Your OS deployment server log file folder is using 61,7KB on disk.

The user can access the server log files content and show the warning and errors encountered by the Tivoli Provisioning Manager for OS Deployment server

The Server log files section helps in diagnosing problems and recording commands. Logs are color-coded. Blue indicates no warning or errors, yellow indicates warnings, red indicates errors. Logs are hierarchical. By clicking the expand sign, you can see more details. From the Server Log Files page, you can also clean the contents of the log files. You can either delete the content of individual server log files or perform a partial cleaning of all the server log files. You can also delete or perform a partial cleaning of all target log files. When you perform a partial cleaning of a log, you can keep the most recent content only.

Summary

In this module, you learned how to:

- Navigate the product WEBUI
- Understand the sections that are available in the WEBUI
- Understand the main operations that can be done in each section

In this module, you learned how to: navigate the product WEBUI; understand the sections that are available in the WEBUI; understand the main operations that can be done in each section.

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