



# **WBSR85**

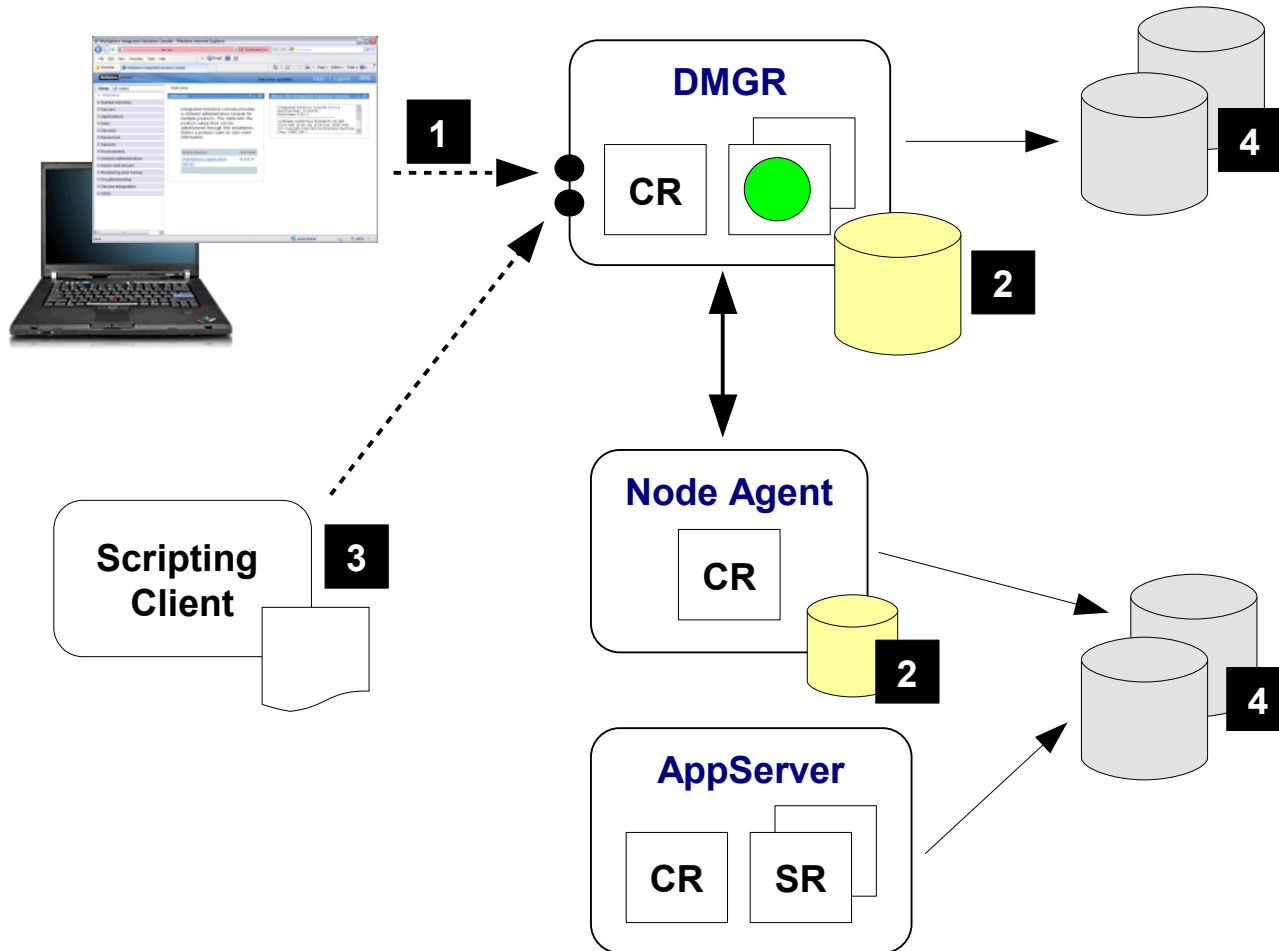
**WebSphere Application Server z/OS V8.5**

## **Unit 2 - Administration Model**

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# High-Level Conceptual Picture

This provides the framework of our focus areas this unit:



**1 Administrative Console**

**2 Configuration File Systems for each Node**

**3 WSADMIN scripting interface**

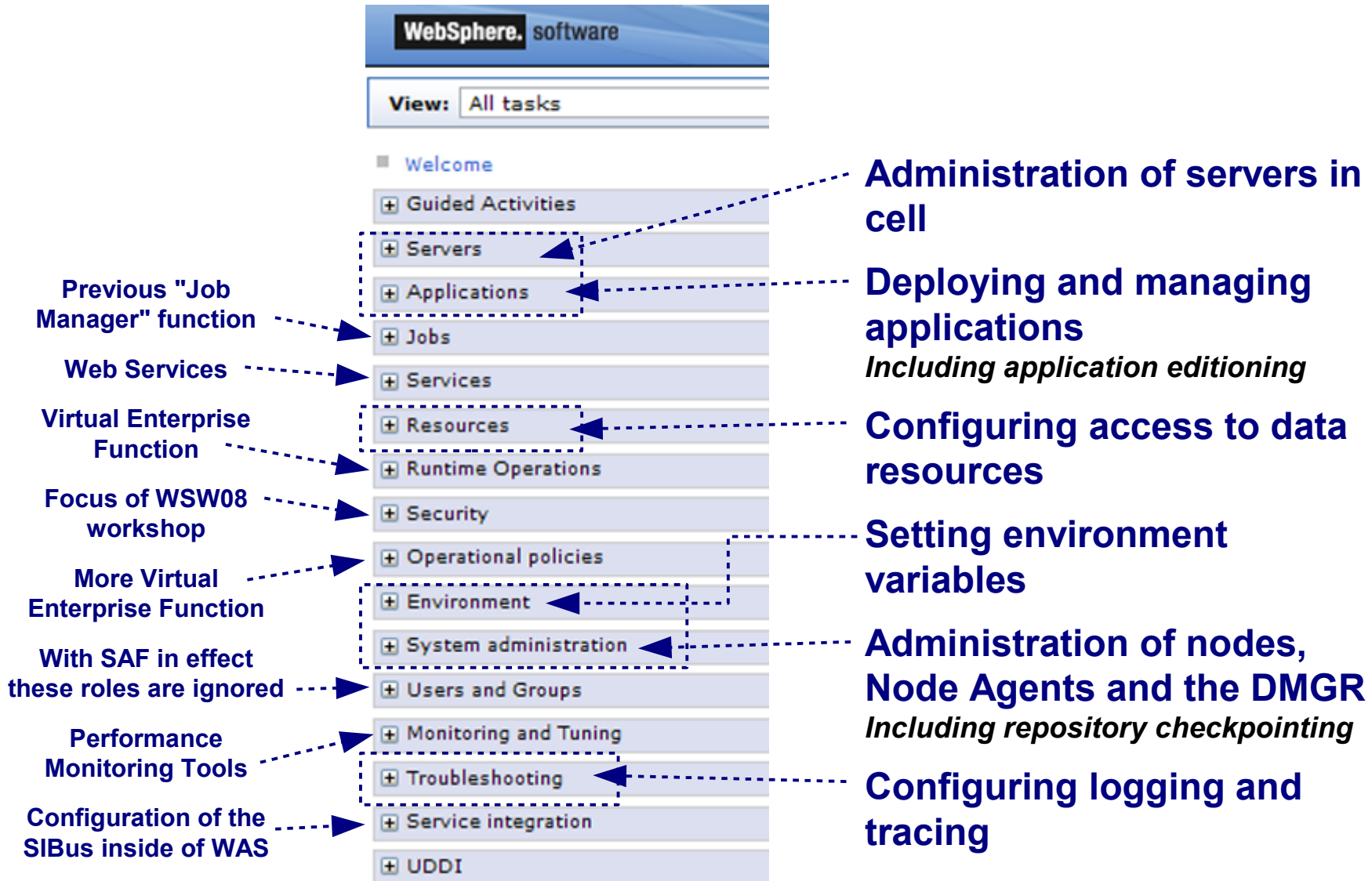
**4 Logging and tracing and HPEL**

**These are the topics we'll cover in this unit**

# Admin Console

# Left-Side Navigator Bar for V8.5 Admin Console

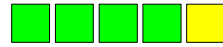
At this level the Admin Console is common across all platforms. The areas of focus for us in this workshop are indicated below:



Commonality ...

# Degree of Commonality Across Platforms

Is actually fairly high ...



## Servers and Clustering

Very common until you get to things like server short names and the Multi-JVM model



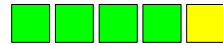
## Applications

Identical across platforms



## Web Services

Identical across platforms



## Security

Fairly common with the exception of definitions to allow use of SAF



## Environment

Interface is identical. Some of the variables you enter may be z/OS-specific.



## Resources

Very common until you get to the definition of local adapters and native libraries



## System Administration

Very common with the exception of the "z/OS location server" under "Node Groups"



## SIBus

Identical across platforms

Platform specifics ...

# Examples of Platform Specifics Surfacing

A brief sampling of where some z/OS platform specifics surface in the Administration Console:

## Under a given application server:

### General Properties

Name  
qcsr01c

Node name  
qcnodec

\* Short Name  
QCSR01C

Short names are exclusive to z/OS

### Application servers > qcsr01c > Process definition

Use this page to configure a process definition. A process definition is used to start or initialize a process.

#### Preferences

Process type ⌵

You can administer the following resources:

[Adjunct](#)

[Control](#)

[Servant](#)

The Multi-JVM model is only on z/OS

### General Properties

Start command  
START QCACRC

Start command arguments  
JOBNAME=QCSR01C,ENV=QCCELL.QCNODEC.QCSR01C,REUSASID=YES

The start command for the server is specific to the platform

## Under Global Security:

- [Security domains](#)
- [External authorization pr](#)
- [Programmatic session co](#)
- [Custom properties](#)
- [z/OS security options](#)

A section on z/OS-specific security settings and properties

## Under the integrated Java Batch configuration:

- Record usage data in SMF (z/OS only)

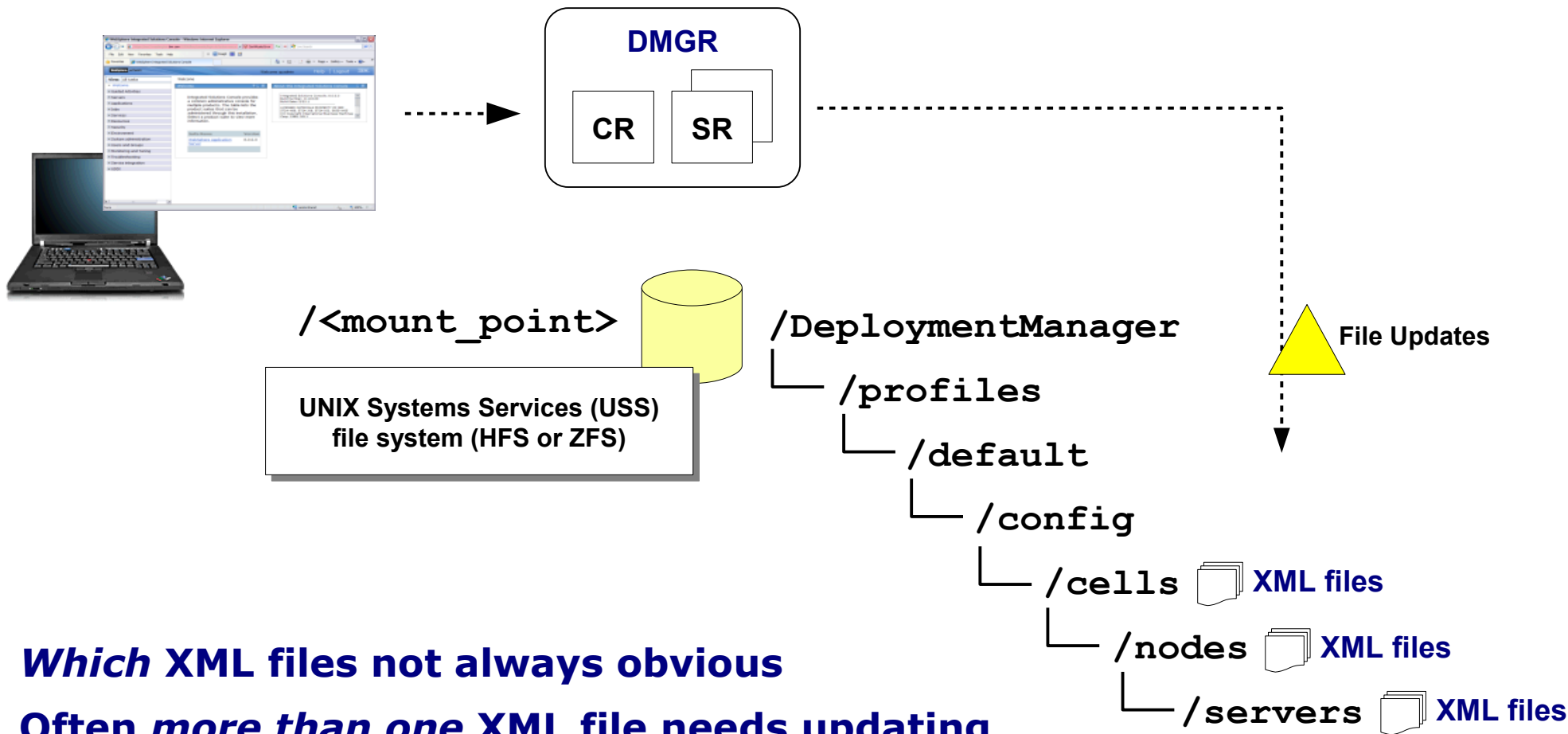
Exploit z/OS SMF if you wish

**Point here is that while the Admin Console has a great deal of commonality, you can find differences the closer to the platform you get**

Updating XML ...

# Administrative Application - Smart XML Updater

It does other things, but a large portion of the Administrative Application's function is to know how to translate mouse clicks into XML updates:



**Which XML files not always obvious**

**Often more than one XML file needs updating**

**You could **try** to do this yourself ...**

**Better to allow administrative function to do it**

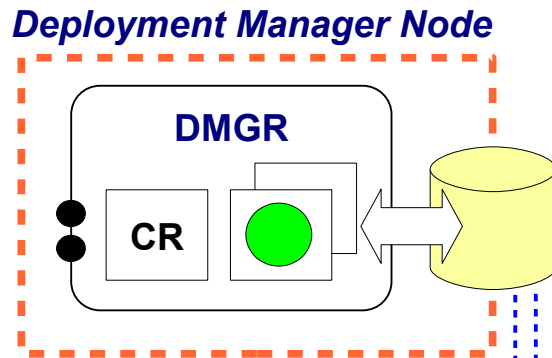
Config file system ...



# Configuration File System

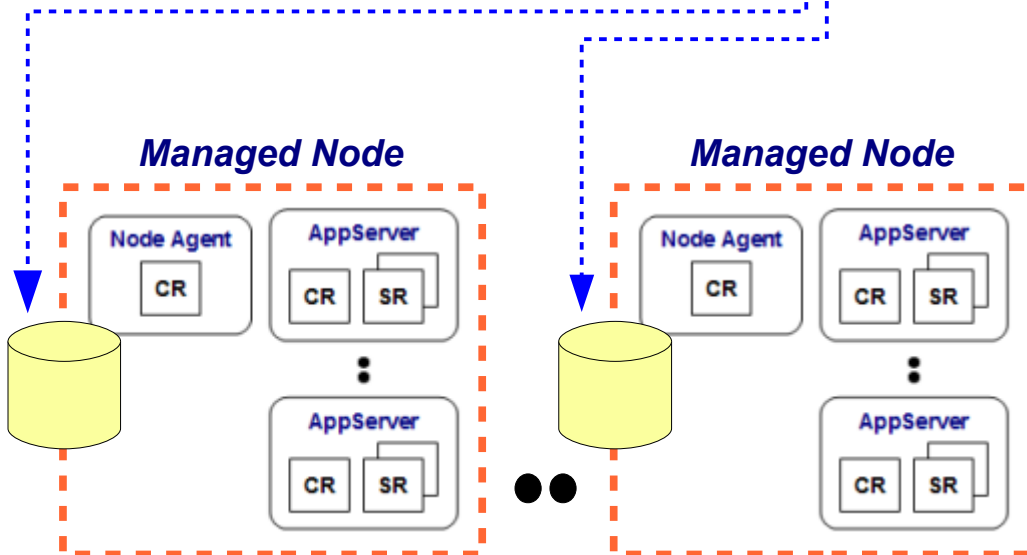
# Each Node Has a Configuration Structure

In a Network Deployment (ND) configuration, each node has its own configuration file structure. DMGR owns the "master" and nodes are subordinate to that:



## Master Configuration

- Is maintained in a USS file system (HFS or ZFS)
- Is updated by the Administrative Application
- Has all the information about the whole cell
- Updates to master are propagated to each node via act of **synchronization**



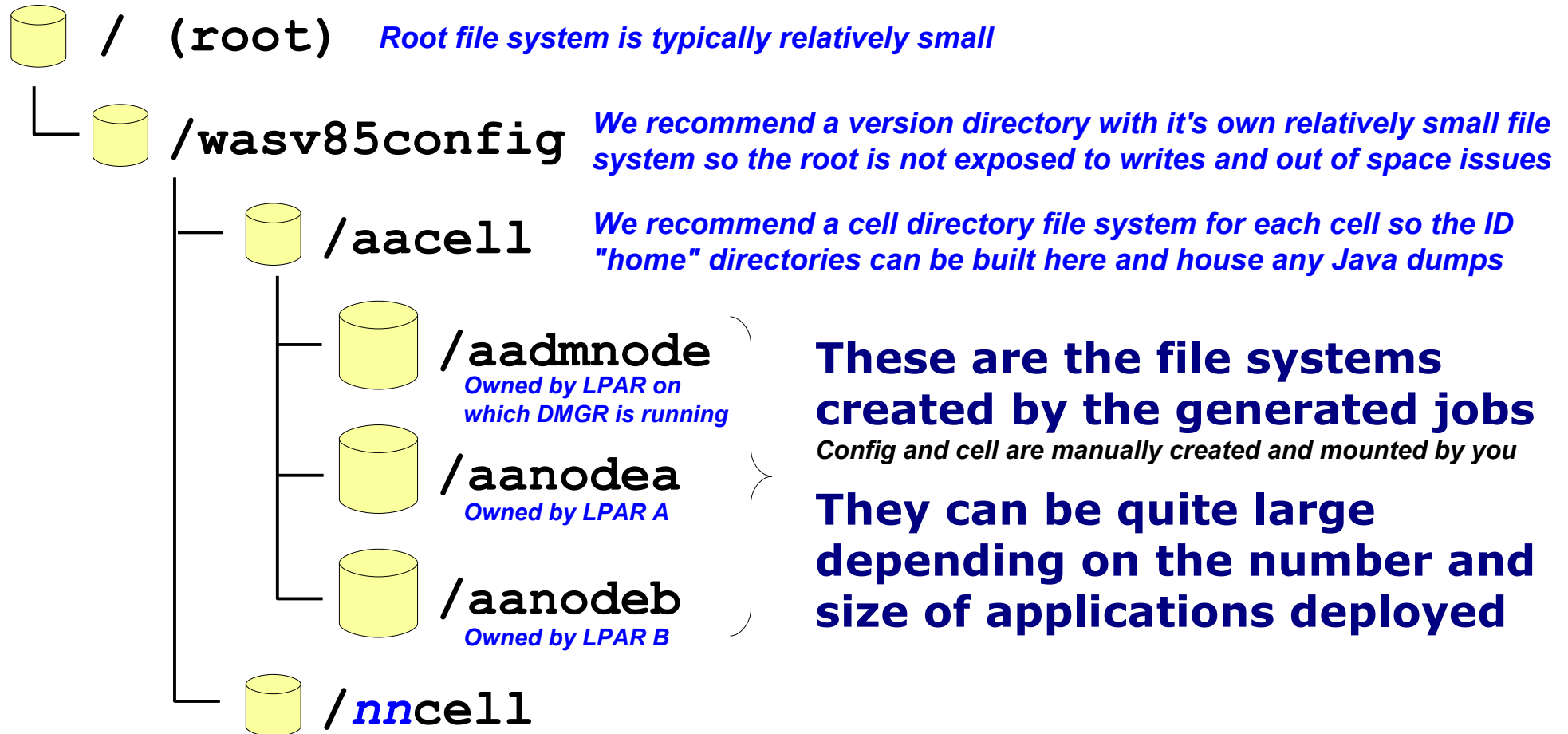
## Node Configuration

- Is maintained in a USS file system (HFS or ZFS)
- Can be in same file system as DMGR, but we recommend separate for each node
- Is updated by the Node Agent during synchronization
- Has all the information its node
- Has *some* information about other nodes

Common file system layout ...

# How We Generally See the File Systems Deployed

Here's a picture that shows how the file system would be created and mounted based on the jobs generated using the PRS4686\* planning spreadsheets:



# The Essential Structure of DMGR Configuration Tree

Here's a snapshot of **some** of the key elements of the configuration structure:

```
/wasv85config/aacell/aadmnode/DeploymentManager
```

Deployment Manager's  
mount point and root

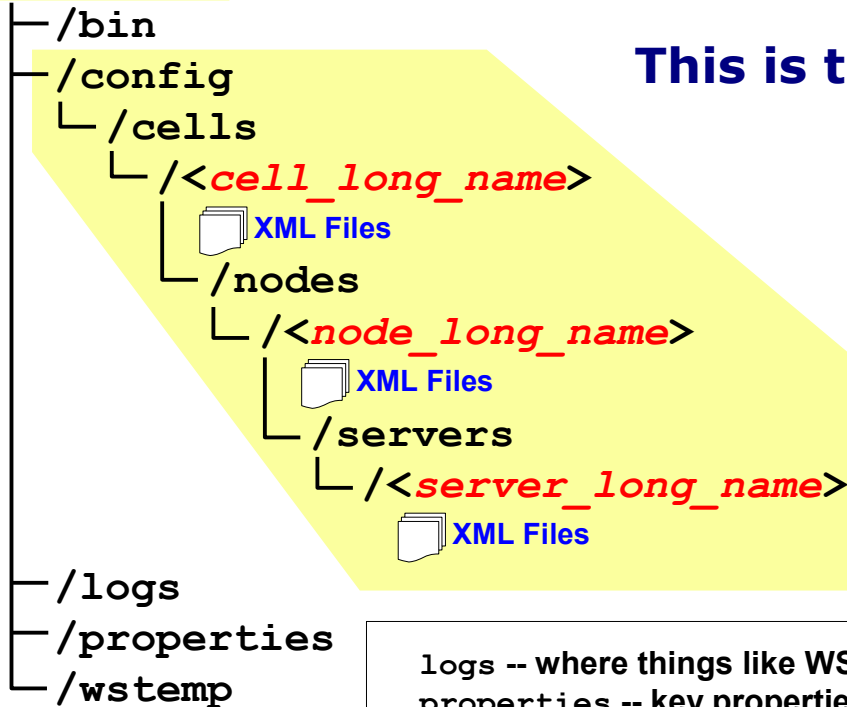
```
/bin
/installableApps
/java
/java64
/lib
```

Java symlinked from here

Shell scripts, JAR  
files and shared  
object modules

```
/profiles
└ /default
```

*Other platforms use "profiles" to allow multiple cell configurations in the same install root. But on z/OS we separate configuration from install so one profile is sufficient*



**This is the heart of it**

**All the nodes and all the servers and their properties for the whole cell represented here**

**Identical to distributed in basic structure; different in certain ways we'll show**

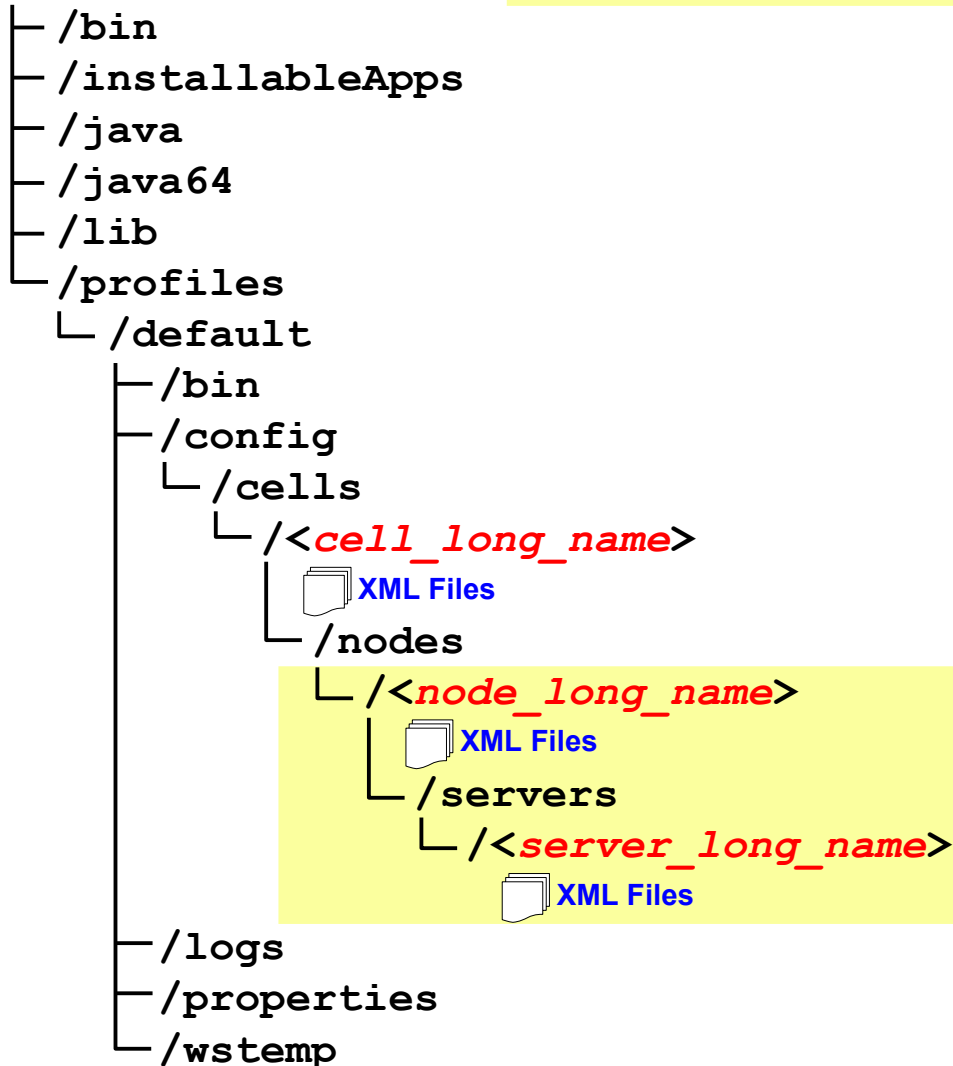
logs -- where things like WSADMIN logging goes  
properties -- key properties files for functions and activities  
wstemp -- temporary directory that you can clean periodically

Node file system ...

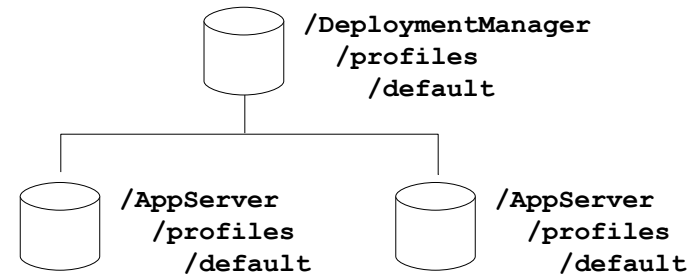
# Each Managed Node Has Similar Configuration

The key difference is in that it maintains only **partial awareness** of *other* nodes but **full awareness of itself**:

`/wasv85config/aacell/aanodea/AppServer`



The mount point and the node root are different because this is a different node from the Deployment Manager node



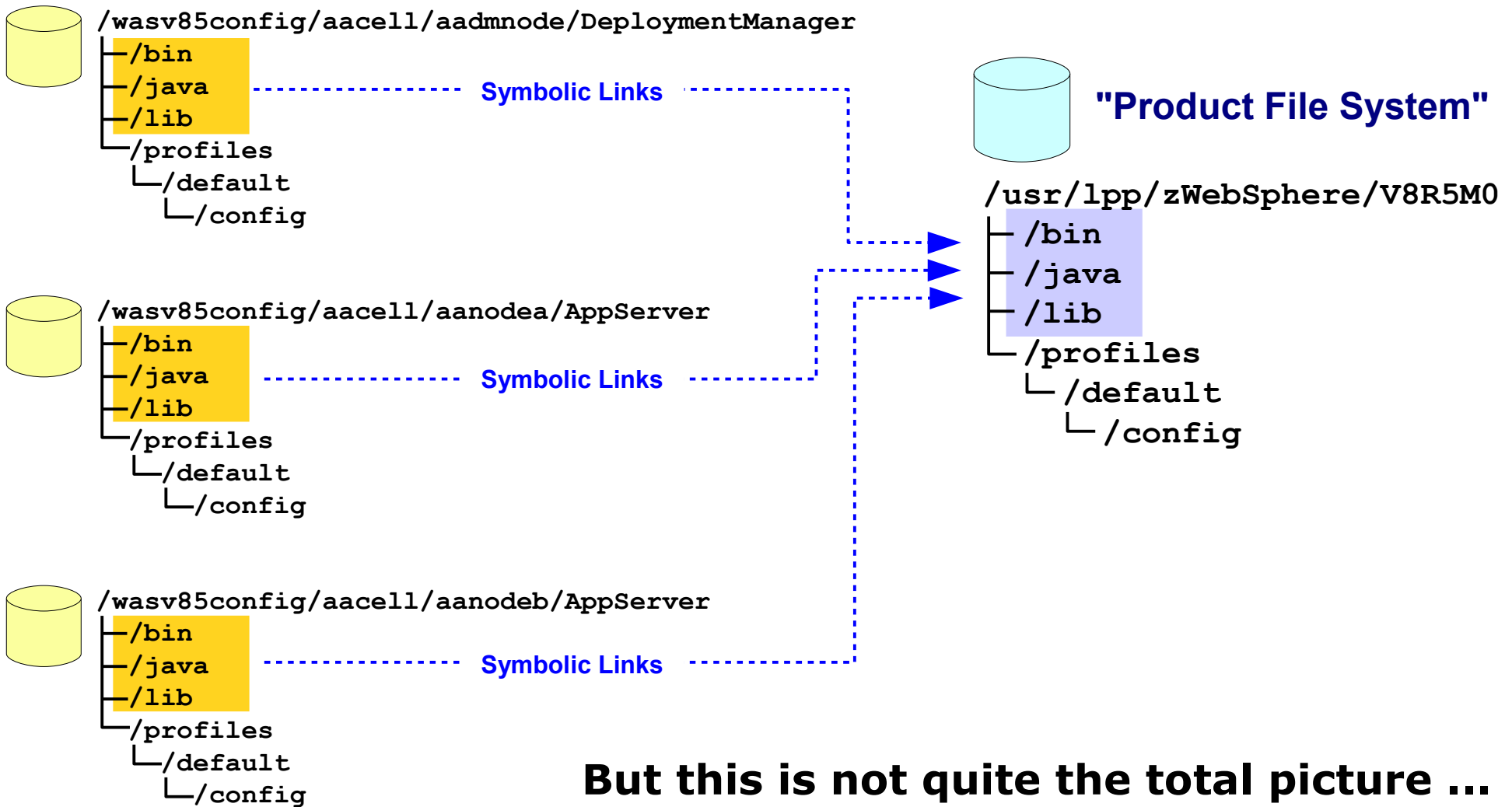
**It will have a directory for each node. Other nodes have some meta-data files that provides the partial information.**

**But the node directory for itself and the servers under it are fully populated with detailed XML**

Relationship to install image ...

# Relationship to "Install Image"

The "install image" is the file system that contains the product binaries. The configuration file systems link to that via symbolic links:

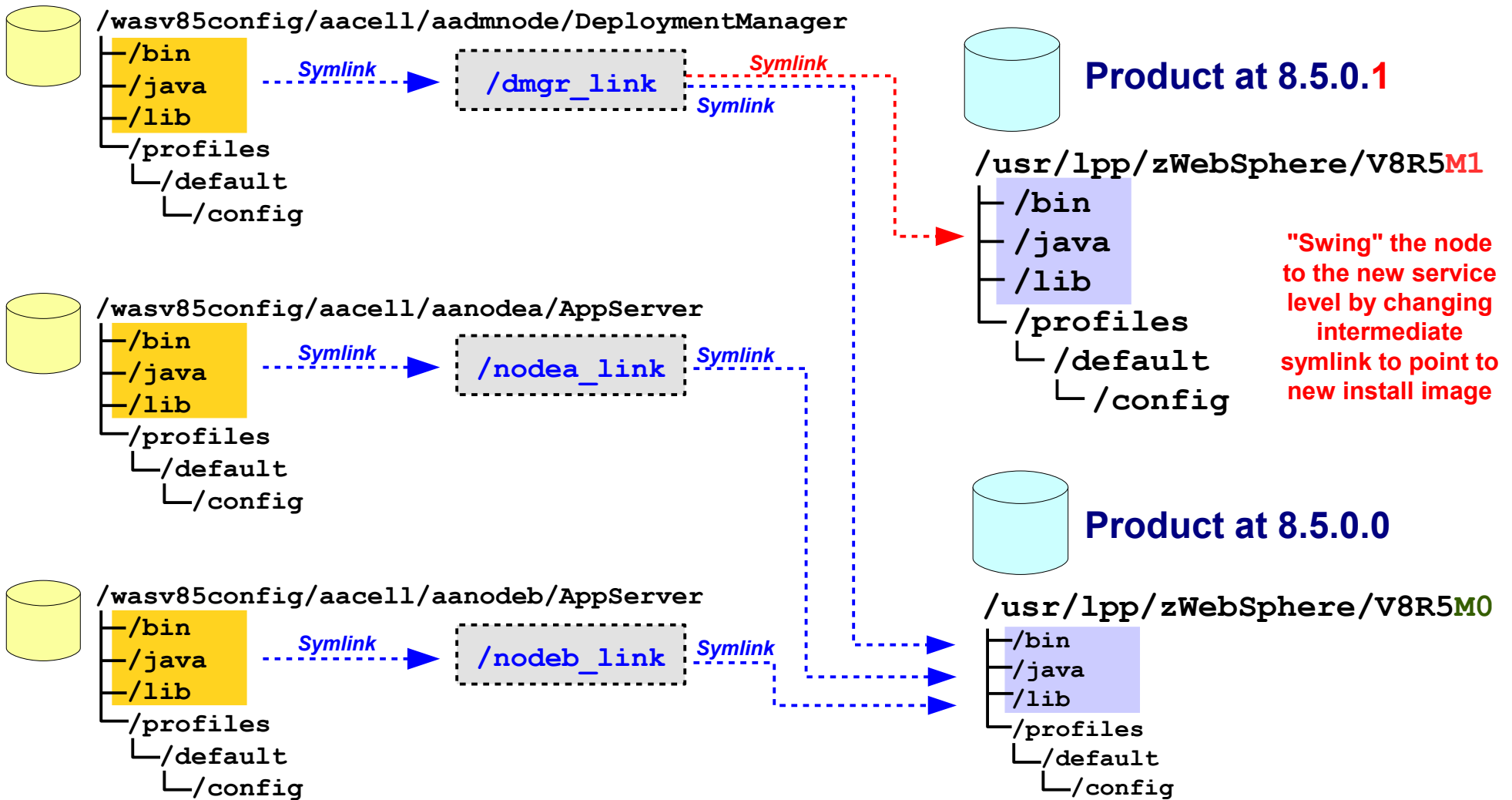


**But this is not quite the total picture ...**

Intermediate symlinks ...

# Intermediate Symbolic Links

We've taken this symlink structure one step further by introducing an "intermediate symbolic link" for each node between the node and the install image:

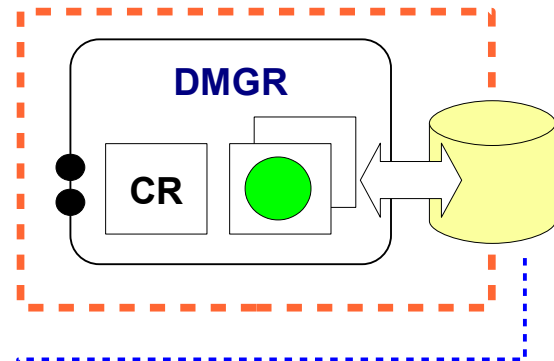


Repository Checkpoints ...

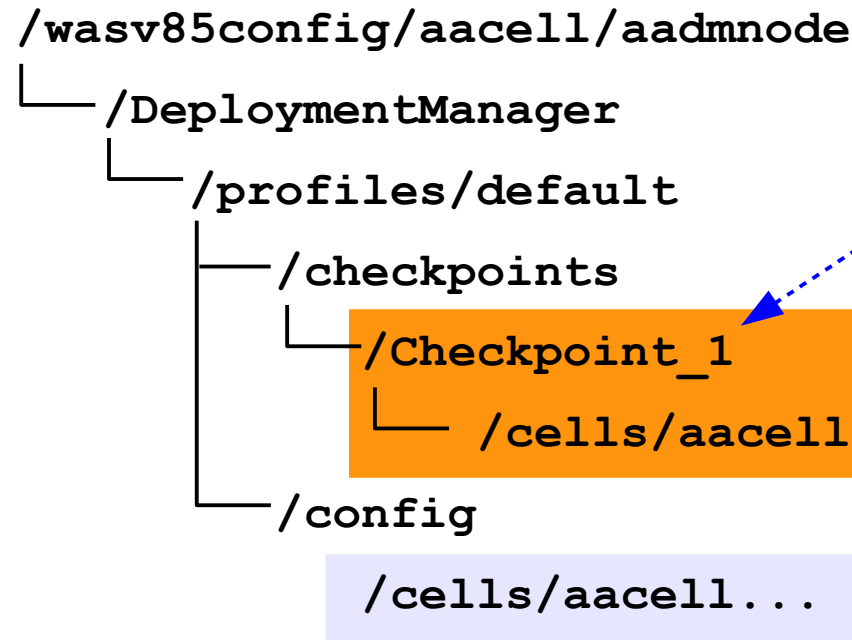
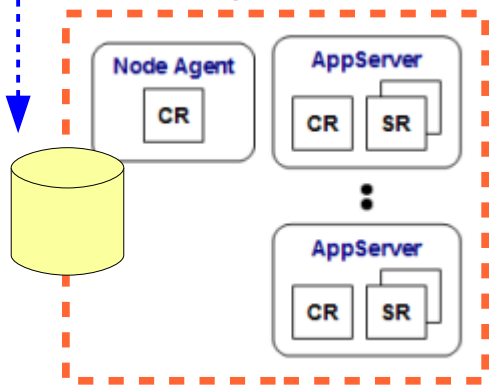
# Repository Checkpoints in Concept

It's fairly simple ... the Admin function now provides a way to "take a snapshot" of the master configuration and restore back to previous snapshots if you wish:

## Deployment Manager Node



## Managed Nodes



Checkpoint name  
you provide

All configuration  
files copied

## Notes:

- Checkpoint is performed through Admin Console\*
- Location where checkpoints stored is configurable
- Multiple checkpoints possible
- Restore selected checkpoint through Admin Console\*

\* or WSADMIN



# Admin Console for Repository Checkpoints

Some bitmap captures that illustrate the process of taking a checkpoint backup:

**General Properties**

- \* Repository location: `/wasv85config/qccs/profiles/default/c` **Current location plus field to configure location**
- \* Repository Checkpoint location: `${USER_INSTALL_ROOT}/che`
- Enable automatic repository checkpoints
- \* Automatic checkpoint depth: `5`

**Additional Properties**

- Repository Checkpoints

**Preferences**

New Delete Restore Export

Select Name

None

Total 0

**General Properties**

- \* Name: **Name and description of your choosing**
- Description

Apply OK Reset Cancel

**Table of Resources:**

Select	Name	Documents	Timestamp
You can administer the following resources:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">WBSR85 Illustration</a>	549	Jun 13, 2012 12:47:13 PM

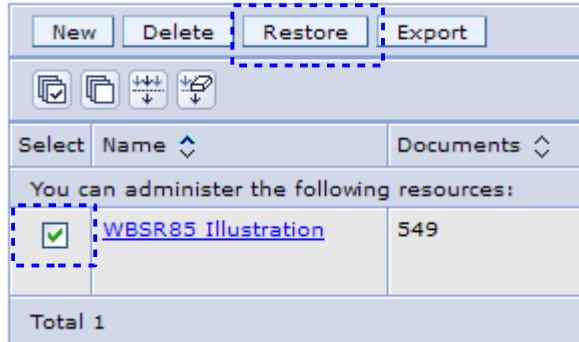
**Annotation:** Checking this box means automatic checkpoints are taken after every change. Up to configured number of checkpoints kept, then oldest discarded.

Checkpoints may then be "restored" to fall back to a previous configuration checkpoint. Configuration reverts to those settings.

Restoring a saved checkpoint ...

# Restoring Checkpoints

A couple of notes regarding this ...



**Restoring means the checkpoint configuration files and directories are copied back to the master configuration's /config/cells path**

**Updates to node configuration file systems through normal synchronization process**

Process will synchronize with the nodes if auto-synchronize is set for the Node Agents. If not, remember to manually synchronize to the nodes.

**You may need to log off the Admin Console and back on to see the restored configuration artifacts in the Admin Console display**

**Restore puts configuration files back in place, but it does *not* restart servers or applications that were deleted and then restored**

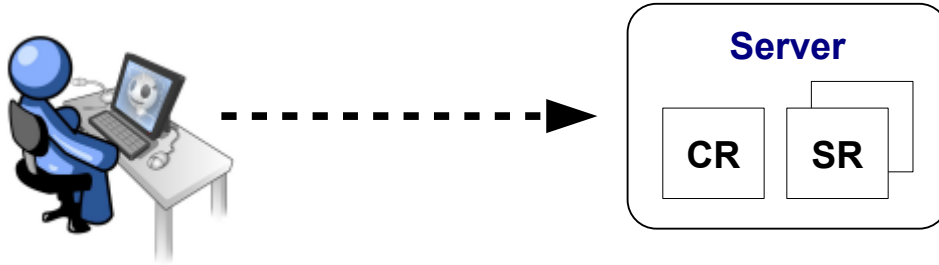
**You should *still* have a solid backup/restore process in addition to this checkpoint function**

MODIFY command ...

# **z/OS MODIFY**

# MODIFY Facility of z/OS Operating System

MODIFY is a means of dynamically displaying information about started task, or dynamically updating the runtime settings for that started task



**F** <jobname>, *keyword*, *keyword* . . .

F Z9SR01A, **HELP**

F Z9SR01A, HELP

BBOO0178I THE COMMAND MODIFY MAY BE FOLLOWE

BBOO0179I CANCEL - CANCEL THIS CONTROL REGI

BBOO0179I TRACEALL - SET OVERALL TRACE LEVE

:

BBOO0179I **DISPLAY** - DISPLAY STATUS

:

BBOO0179I WLM\_MIN\_MAX - RESET WLM MIN/MAX SERVANT SETTINGS

BBOO0179I RECLASSIFY - RE-PROCESS WLM CLASSIFICATION FILE

:

BBOO0179I FAILOVER - FAILS OVER CONNECTIONS FOR RESOURCE IDENTIFIED BY GIVEN JNDINAME

BBOO0179I FAILBACK - FAILS BACK CONNECTIONS TO RESOURCE IDENTIFIED BY GIVEN JNDINAME

Example of output generated by simply specifying HELP on the MODIFY

**35** MODIFY commands for WAS z/OS

**18** DISPLAY options

# MODIFY Commands, Part 1

Here's the first 18 of 35 MODIFY commands available with WAS z/OS V8:

- CANCEL - CANCEL THIS CONTROL REGION
- TRACEALL - SET OVERALL TRACE LEVEL
- TRACEBASIC - SET BASIC TRACE COMPONENTS
- TRACEDetail - SET DETAILED TRACE COMPONENTS
- TRACESPECIFIC - SET SPECIFIC TRACE POINTS
- TRACEINIT - RESET TO INITIAL TRACE SETTINGS
- TRACENONE - TURN OFF ALL TRACING
- TRACETOSYSPRINT - SEND TRACE OUTPUT TO SYSPRINT (YES/NO)
- DISPLAY** - DISPLAY STATUS ←
- TRACE\_EXCLUDE\_SPECIFIC - EXCLUDE SPECIFIC TRACE POINTS
- JAVACORE - GENERATE JVM CORE DUMP
- HEAPDUMP - GENERATE JVM HEAP DUMP
- JAVATDUMP - GENERATE JVM TDUMP
- TRACEJAVA - SET JAVA TRACE OPTIONS
- TRACETOTRCFILE - SEND TRACE OUTPUT TO TRCFILE (YES/NO)
- MDBSTATS - MDB DETAILED STATISTICS
- PAUSELISTENERS - PAUSE THE COMMUNICATION LISTENERS
- RESUMELISTENERS - RESUME THE COMMUNICATION LISTENERS

Specifying ,HELP on many these will then display the parameters acceptable for that particular command

We'll focus on the DISPLAY command in a moment

## MODIFY Commands, Part 2

Here's the final 17 of 35 MODIFY commands available with WAS z/OS V8:

STACKTRACE - LOG JAVA THREAD STACK TRACEBACKS  
TIMEOUTDUMPACTION - SET TIMEOUT DUMP ACTION  
TIMEOUTDUMPACTIONSESSION - SET TIMEOUT DUMP ACTION SESSION  
TIMEOUT\_DELAY - SET TIMEOUT DELAY VALUE  
WLM\_MIN\_MAX - RESET WLM MIN/MAX SERVANT SETTINGS  
SMF - SET SMF120 OPTIONS  
DPM - DISPATCH PROGRESS MONITOR  
RECLASSIFY - RE-PROCESS WLM CLASSIFICATION FILE  
TRACERECORD - SET TRACE RECORD WRITE OPTIONS  
MSGROUTE - SET ROUTING LOCATION OPTIONS  
FORMFEED - ISSUE FORMFEED TO SYSOUT AND SYSPRINT  
DISABLEFAILOVER - DISABLES FAILOVER SUPPORT FOR RESOURCE IDENTIFIED BY GIVEN JNDINAME  
ENABLEFAILOVER - ENABLES FAILOVER SUPPORT FOR RESOURCE IDENTIFIED BY GIVEN JNDINAME  
FAILOVER - FAILS OVER CONNECTIONS FOR RESOURCE IDENTIFIED BY GIVEN JNDINAME  
FAILBACK - FAILS BACK CONNECTIONS TO RESOURCE IDENTIFIED BY GIVEN JNDINAME  
SETOLATRACE - SET OLA TRACE LEVEL. SETOLATRACE=0..2, RGE | REGNAME | JOBNAME =x...x  
SETOLATRACEPROPS - READ OLA TRACE PROPERTIES FILE

Specifying ,HELP on many these will then display the parameters acceptable for that particular command

# The DISPLAY Command

A particularly useful MODIFY command is DISPLAY, which has keywords that allow you to display specific information about the server:

```
F Z9SR01A,DISPLAY,HELP
```

```
BBOO0178I THE COMMAND DISPLAY, MAY BE FOLLOWED BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING KEYWORDS:
```

```
BBOO0179I SERVERS - DISPLAY ACTIVE CONTROL PROCESSES
```

```
BBOO0179I SERVANTS - DISPLAY SERVANT PROCESSES OWNED BY THIS CONTROL PROCESS
```

```
BBOO0179I LISTENERS - DISPLAY LISTENERS
```

```
BBOO0179I CONNECTIONS - DISPLAY CONNECTION INFORMATION
```

```
BBOO0179I TRACE - DISPLAY INFORMATION ABOUT TRACE SETTINGS
```

```
BBOO0179I JVMHEAP - DISPLAY JVM HEAP STATISTICS
```

```
BBOO0179I WORK - DISPLAY WORK ELEMENTS
```

```
BBOO0179I ERRLOG - DISPLAY THE LAST 10 ENTRIES IN THE ERROR LOG
```

```
BBOO0179I MODE - DISPLAY THE EXECUTION BITMODE
```

```
BBOO0179I THREADS - DISPLAY THREAD STATUS
```

```
BBOO0179I ADAPTER - DISPLAY OLA ADAPTER STATUS
```

```
BBOO0179I OLATRACE - DISPLAY ADAPTER TRACE RECORDS. OLATRACE=* or jobname
```

```
BBOO0179I WLM - DISPLAY WLM SETTINGS
```

```
BBOO0179I SMF - DISPLAY SMF120-9 SETTINGS AND STATUS
```

```
BBOO0179I FRCA - DISPLAY FRCA INFORMATION
```

```
BBOO0179I DPM - DISPLAY DISPATCH PROGRESS MONITOR SETTINGS
```

```
BBOO0179I TRACERECORD - DISPLAY TRACERECORD SETTING
```

```
BBOO0179I MSGROUTE - DISPLAY MESSAGE ROUTING SETTINGS
```

**Specifying ,HELP on many these will then display the parameters acceptable for that particular command**

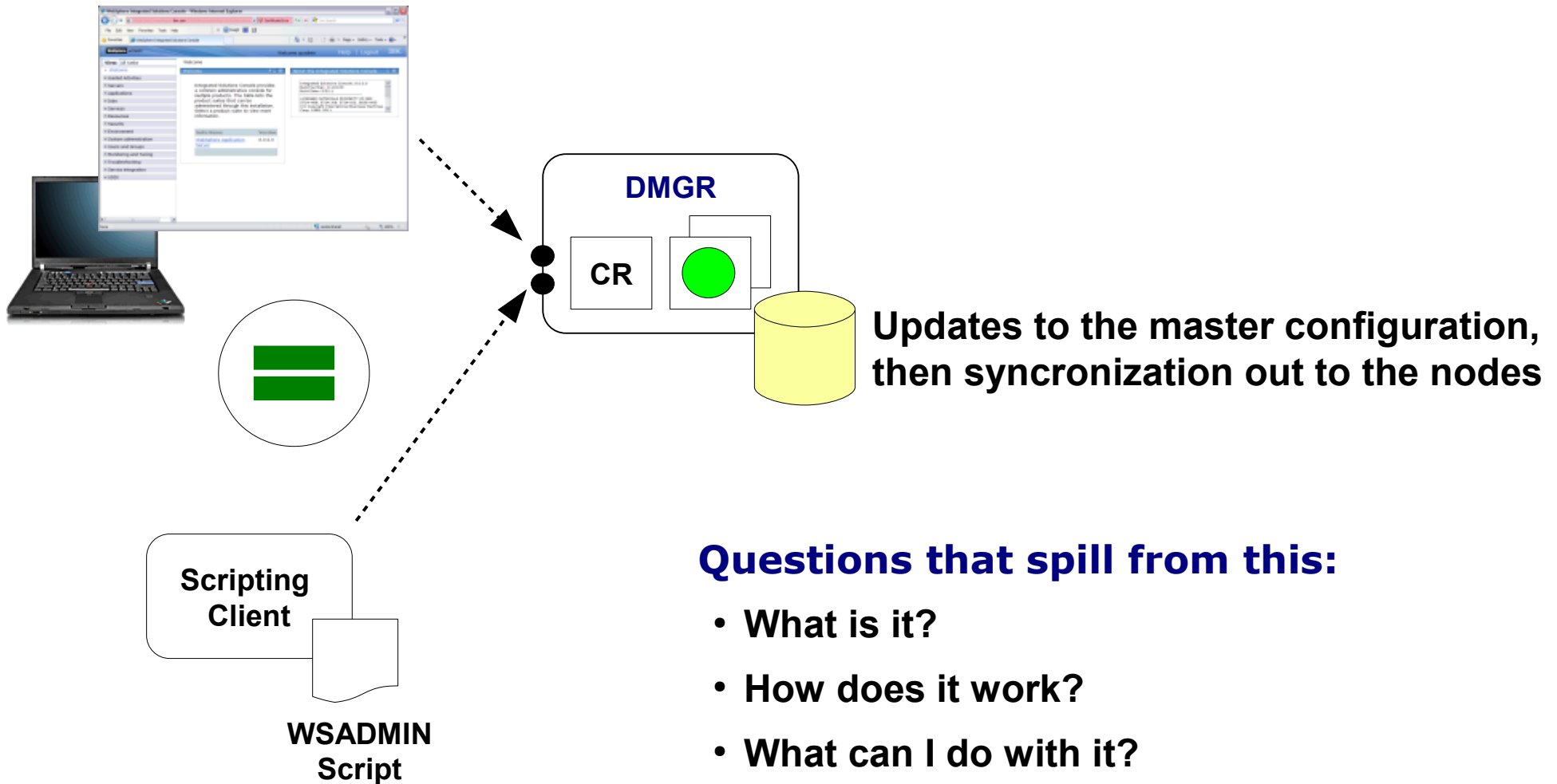
WSADMIN ...

# WSADMIN



# In a Nutshell, WSADMIN is ...

... a set of interfaces to the administrative function you may use to automate tasks you might otherwise do with the Admin Console:



Command objects ...

# The WSADMIN Command Objects

The interface is composed of four main "objects" (commands) that provide the administrative function:

**AdminApp** {  
 install  
 uninstall  
 list  
 options  
 export  
 ... many more

**AdminConfig** {  
 list  
 show  
 save  
 create  
 update  
 remove  
 ... many more

**AdminControl** {  
 startServer  
 stopServer  
 invoke  
 ... many more

**AdminTask** {  
 changeHostName  
 modifyServerPort  
 ... many more

## Key Points:

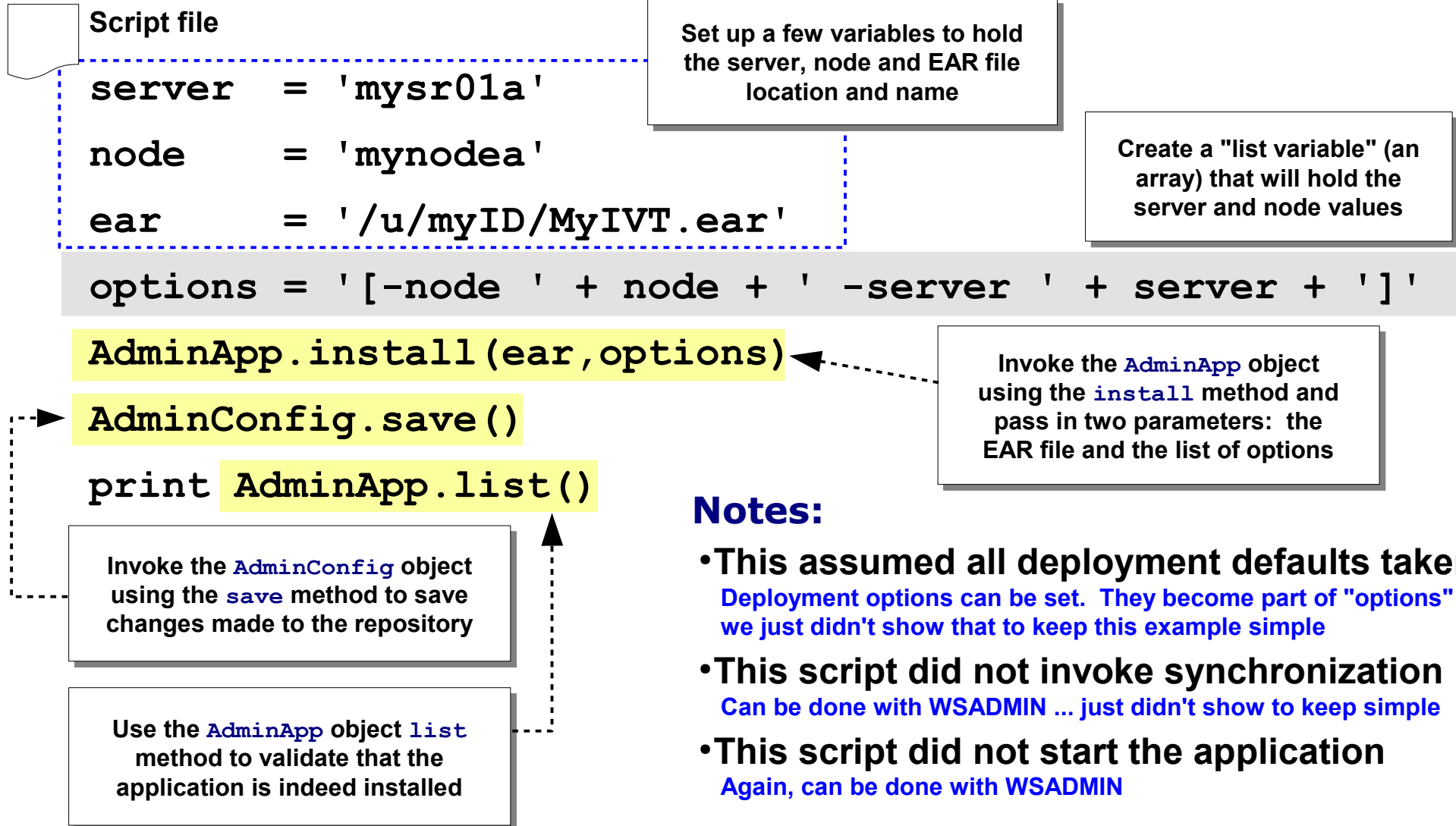
- WSADMIN is a command interface
- Four major commands, each with many sub-options
- Your script uses these commands to make the changes you wish

Think of AdminTask as commands that contain other more "primitive" WSADMIN commands under the wrapper. It was created as a way to make scripting easier for common tasks ... hence the name "AdminTask"

A very simple example ...

# A Very Simple Example of Installing an Application

Automating the deployment of applications is a very common use for WSADMIN. Here's an example of a Jython script that installs an application:



## Notes:

- This assumed all deployment defaults taken  
Deployment options can be set. They become part of "options" ... we just didn't show that to keep this example simple
- This script did not invoke synchronization  
Can be done with WSADMIN ... just didn't show to keep simple
- This script did not start the application  
Again, can be done with WSADMIN

Slightly more advanced example ...

# The App Install Script from Upcoming Lab

Uninstalls app if already present, then installs the named application again:

```

import sys
# -----
# Uninstall the app if it is present
# -----
application = ""
applicationlist = AdminApp.list().splitlines()
for application in applicationlist:
    if application == "SuperSnoop":
        print "Found and uninstalling " + application
        AdminApp.uninstall(application)
        AdminConfig.save()
    if application != "SuperSnoop":
        print "Application in list not SuperSnoop. Skipping. Name is: " + application
    continue
# -----
# Install SuperSnoop
# -----
application = "SuperSnoop"
print "Installing application " + application
earfile = "/wasetc/was8lab/applications/SuperSnoopProj.ear"
appopts = "[-appname "
appopts = appopts + application
appopts = appopts + " -MapModulesToServers [[ SuperSnoopWeb SuperSnoopWeb.war,WEB-INF/web.xml "
appopts = appopts + "WebSphere:cell=z9cell,node=z9nodea,server=z9sr01a ]]"
# -- debug if needed: comment out if not needed -----
print "appopts = " + appopts
# -- invoke the AdminApp.install() method -----
AdminApp.install(earfile, appopts)
AdminConfig.save()
print "Application installed successfully."

```

For Loop

Brings in a set of support functions useful to Jython

Retrieves all installed applications in the cell. splitlines() splits into a list that can be iterated through

Loops through list. If it finds SuperSnoop it uninstalls it, otherwise it notes application skipped over

Pointer to location of EAR

Building the application install options list array

Debug print ... just to see what the option list passed to AdminApp.install() actually looks like.

Invoke AdminApp.install() and then save the changes to the Master. This does *not* synchronize.

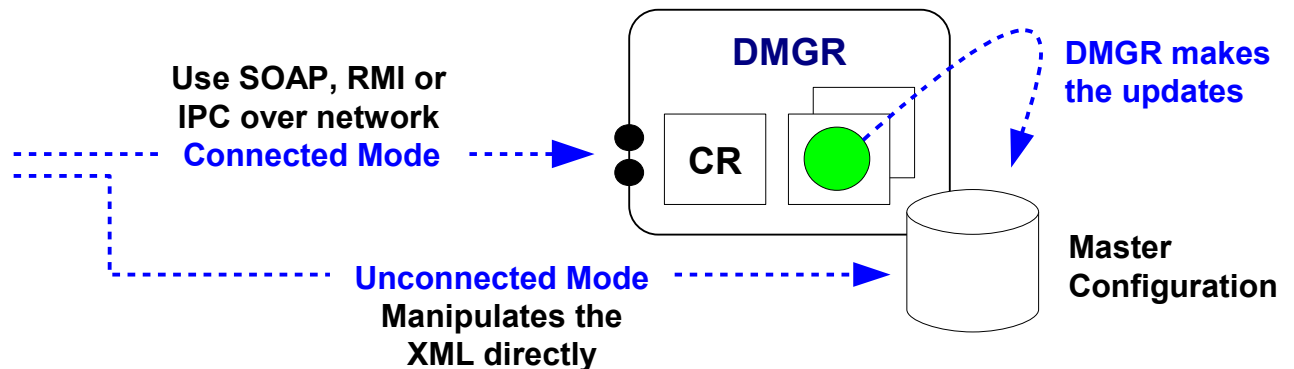
WSADMIN client ...

# The WSADMIN Client Shell Script and Invocation

To use WSADMIN you must invoke the `wsadmin.sh` client. You pass in the script file you have written. It then works against the interface to do the work ...

```
/wasv85config/aacell/aadmnode/DeploymentManager
```

```
└─ /profiles
   └─ /default
      └─ /bin
```



## Connected Mode (Recommended whenever DMGR is available)

```
./wsadmin.sh -lang jython -conntype SOAP
```

Or RMI or IPC with corresponding port

```
-host www.myhost.com -port 10002
```

```
-user myadmin -password myadmin -f /u/myhome/myscript.jy args
```

## Unconnected Mode

```
./wsadmin.sh -lang jython -conntype NONE -f /u/myhome/myscript.jy args
```

Passing in arguments ...

## Passing in Arguments to a Script

Scripts may be made even more flexible by passing in arguments on the invocation command and using those passed-in arguments within the script

```
./wsadmin.sh -lang jython -conntype SOAP
    -host www.myhost.com -port 10002 -user myadmin -password myadmin
    -f /u/myhome/myscript.jy z9sr01a z9nodea /u/myID/MyIVT.ear
                               server           node           EAR location
```

```
import sys
```

```
server = ""
```

```
node = ""
```

```
ear = ""
```

Initialize variables

Check to see if there's enough arguments to satisfy the script's requirements. This script expects to see 3 variables. Check for greater than 2.

```
if(len(sys.argv) > 2):
```

```
    server = sys.argv[0]
```

```
    node = sys.argv[1]
```

```
    ear = sys.argv[2]
```

Parse the arguments and assign each to the respective Jython variable that will be used elsewhere in the script.

Note that sequence of arguments not enforced by Jython. You either assume it's correct or build in more error checking.

```
else:
```

```
    print "Not enough arguments ... exiting"
```

```
    sys.exit()
```

```
:
: With arguments now held in Jython
: variables you may move on to the
: rest of your script processing
```

Script file character encoding ...

## Character Encoding of the Script file on z/OS

May be either ASCII or EBCDIC. WSADMIN by default expects ASCII. If you want to use EBCDIC you have to tell WSADMIN:



### *File stored in z/OS USS as ASCII*

By default WSADMIN expects script file to have ASCII character encoding so the `-javaoption` is not needed if ASCII



### *File stored in z/OS USS as EBCDIC*

```
./wsadmin.sh -lang jython -javaoption -Dscript.encoding=Cp1047  
-conntype SOAP -host www.myhost.com -port 10002  
-user myadmin -password myadmin -f /u/myhome/myscript.jy
```

WSADMIN and JCL batch ...

# WSADMIN and Batch

JCL invoking BPXBATCH works quite well ...

```
//WSADMIN JOB (ACCTNO,ROOM),REGION=0M,USER=MYADMIN,PASSWORD=MYADMIN
//STEP1 EXEC PGM=IKJEFT01
//SYSTSPRT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSTSIN DD *
```

Complete pointer to the  
wsadmin.sh client

**BPXBATCH SH +**

```
/wasv85config/z9cell/z9dmnode/DeploymentManager/profiles/default+
/bin/wsadmin.sh +
```

```
-lang jython +
-javaoption -Dscript.encoding=Cp1047 +
-conntype SOAP +
-host www.myhost.com +
-port 10002 +
-user MYADMIN +
-password MYADMIN +
-f /u/myID/myscript.jy args +
```

The invocation command is  
no different than before

```
1> /tmp/myID.out +
2> /tmp/myID.err
/*
```

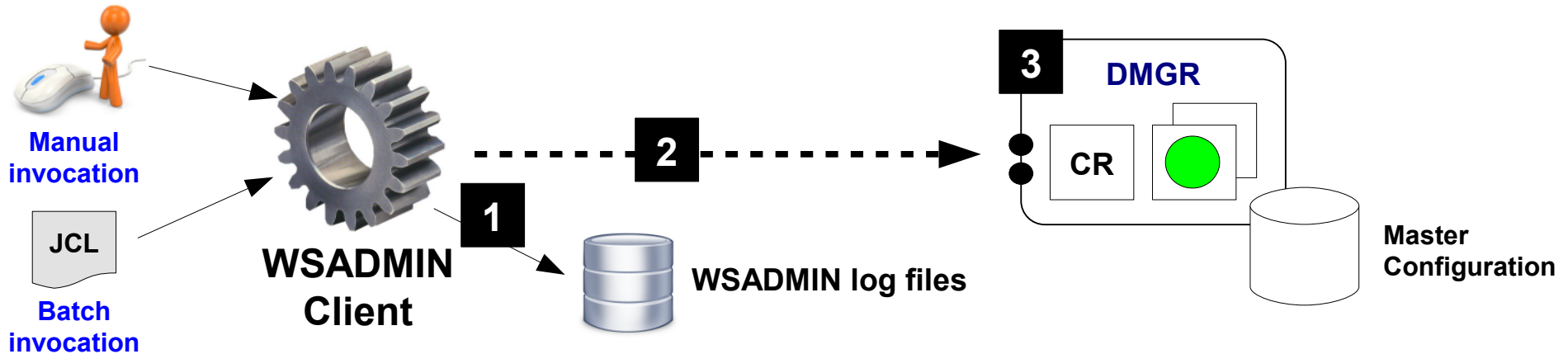
**This does bring up a few security  
issues we need to discuss ...**

Security ...



# WSADMIN and Security

Within what we've discussed so far are three key security considerations that must be taken into account for WSADMIN to work:



## 1. File permission access to WSADMIN log and trace files

Need write access, which requires at least GROUP access.

This is the ID used to log into Telnet or USS, or the ID on batch JOB (or effective ID). **WAS Admin ID**

## 2. Ability to establish SSL to DMGR when security enabled

Implies access to the CA certificate used to sign the DMGR's server certificate.

This is the ID used to log into Telnet or USS, or the ID on batch JOB (or effective ID). **WAS Admin ID**

## 3. Authentication and authorization to in the DMGR to perform the tasks

Valid RACF ID and proper access to EJBROLES.

This is the userid/password coded on the wsadmin.sh parameters. **Again, WAS Admin ID.**

**Other IDs *can* be made to have these properties ... WAS Admin ID has it by default**

Resources ...

# Resources for Learning and Reference

The following resources are available to gaining more experience with WSADMIN:

## IBM Techdocs -- [ibm.com/support/techdocs](http://ibm.com/support/techdocs)

Techdocs Library > White papers >

**WebSphere z/OS V6.1 - WSADMIN Primer (with Jython)** **WP101014**

Techdocs Library > White papers >

**Using Jython Scripting Language With WSADMIN** **WP100963**

Techdocs Library > Hints, tips & Technotes >

**Creating a New Server in WebSphere V7 for z/OS** **TD105447**

Techdocs Library > White papers >

**Staged Application Deployment in WebSphere on z/OS V7** **WP101641**

## IBM InfoCenter -- [publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/wasinfo/v8r0/index.jsp](http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/wasinfo/v8r0/index.jsp)

[Network Deployment \(z/OS\), Version 8.0](#) > [Scripting the application serving environment \(wsadmin\)](#)

**Getting started with wsadmin scripting** **txml\_script**

Very good reference source for searches on specific WSADMIN commands or methods

## WSADMIN client "Help" object and "help" methods

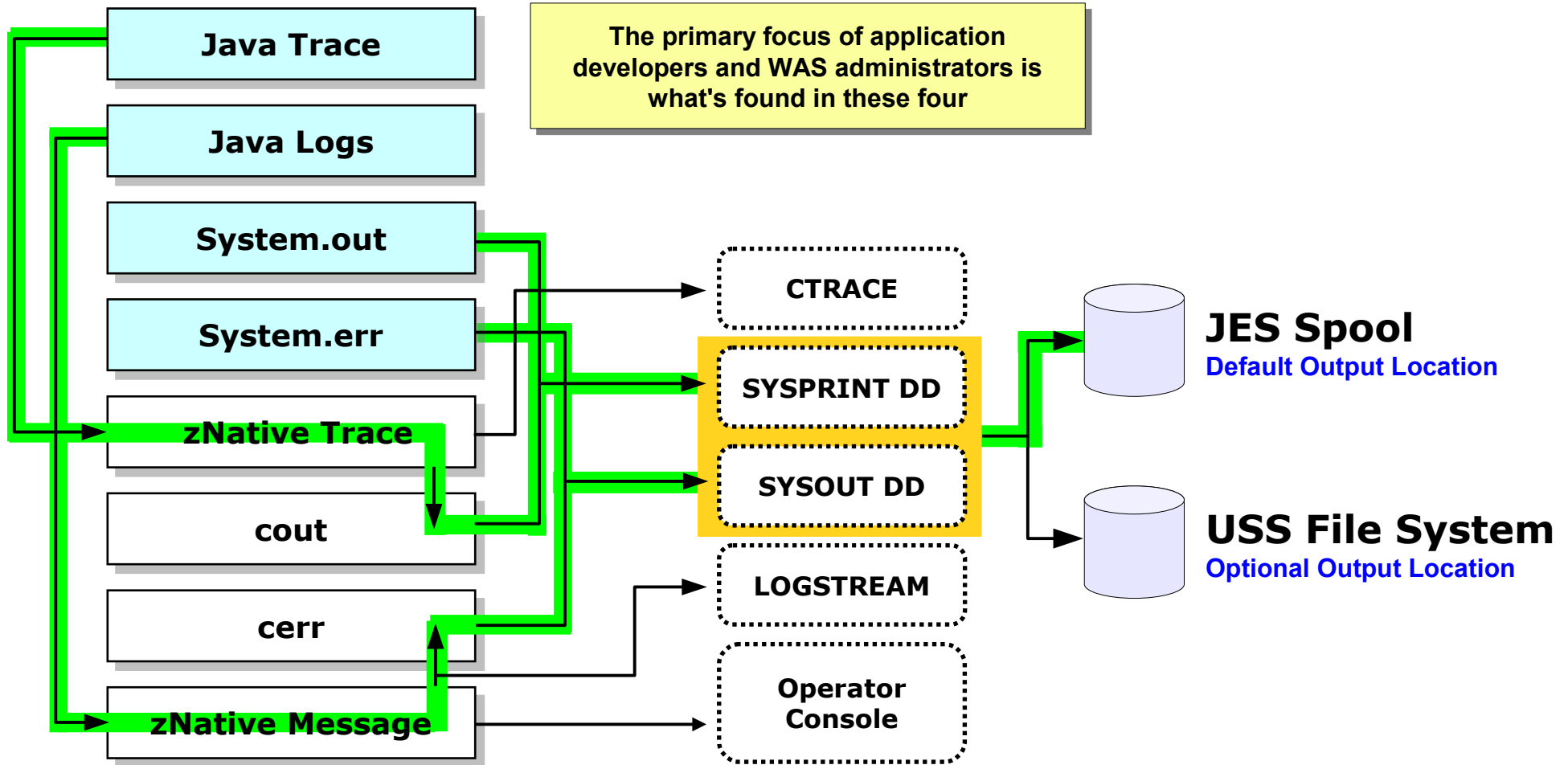
The WSADMIN client has extensive online help in its command syntax. It provides a way to drill down on syntax and usage for specific objects, method and attributes

Logging ...

# Logging

# The Default WAS z/OS Log and Trace Model

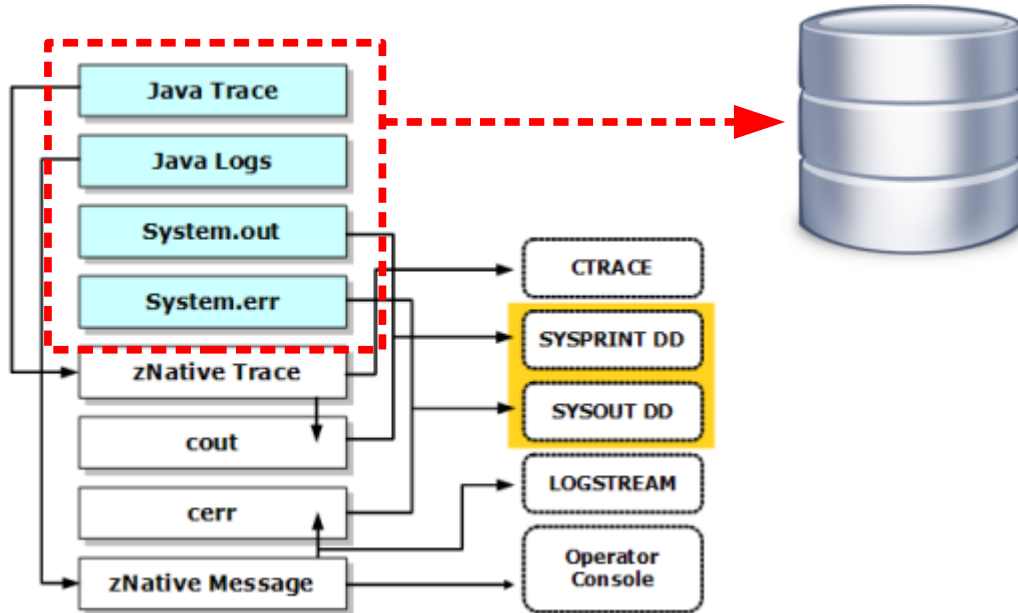
There are many sources of logging and tracing in WAS and WAS z/OS. This picture shows where output goes by default in WAS z/OS V8:



**Key Point:** Multiple source of logging and tracing. On z/OS default routes most of it to SYSPRINT and SYSOUT, which then goes to JES spool.

# Introducing High Performance Extensible Logging

Or "HPEL" for short ... it is a new binary logging mechanism in V8 for all platforms. It provides a more efficient logging mechanism than clear text logging



## WAS-specific binary format log file

Write to memory buffer, then file

Controls to dictate size limits, what to do when limit reached, how to trim files, start new files, etc.

## Viewing the Log:

### Admin Console View Facility

Usable tool to view binary file contents. Has ability to filter on criteria to limit what is seen

### Log Viewer Shell Script Utility

File is logViewer.sh and it has parameters to limit what is seen in the produced text-readable output file

### Download to PC

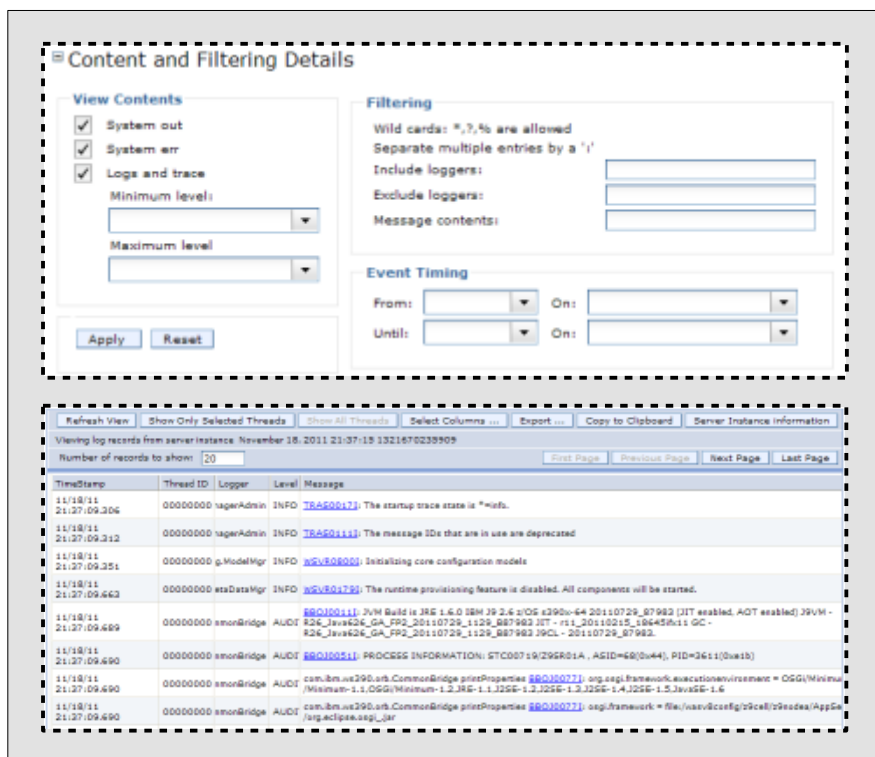
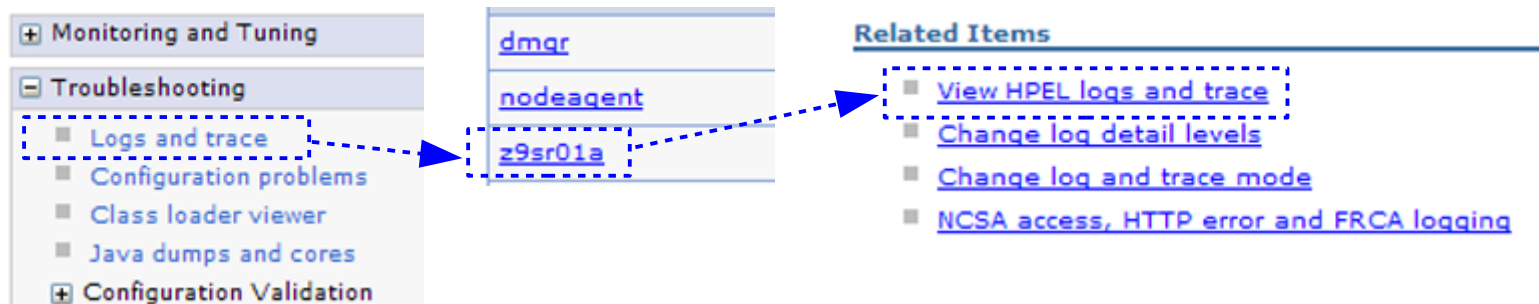
HPEL file is converted to readable text and downloaded as ZIP to your PC where standard text editors may be employed to view

**Optional ... Traditional Mode still available and is default**  
**Configurable on a server by server basis**

High level of log viewer in Admin Console ...

# High-Level of the Admin Console Log Viewer

This is a graphical log viewer supplied as part of the Admin Console:



Log selection and content filtering section. This influences what appears below ...

... record by record display of HPEL content based on filtering down above.

Content and filtering details ...

# Content and Filtering Details

This allows you to determine, with a fair degree of granularity, what HPEL records will be displayed in the output result set:

Expand the section with this twisty

Content and Filtering Details

Select HPEL log by date, start time of server, and by CR or specific instance of SR.  
Short identifier is the CR, the longer the SRs. SR STC number appended to end.

**Server Instance**

Server instances grouped by server start date and time:

- November 18, 2011
  - 21:37:15
    - 1321670235909/00000208000000001-Z9SR01AS\_STC00723
    - 1321670235909

Filter by type of output

- (all)
- FATAL
- SEVERE
- WARNING
- AUDIT
- INFO
- CONFIG
- DETAIL
- FINE
- FINER
- FINEST

**View Contents**

- System out
- System err
- Logs and trace

Minimum level:

Maximum level:

**Filtering**

Wild cards: \*,?,% are allowed  
Separate multiple entries by a ':'

Include loggers:

Exclude loggers:

Message contents:

Include or exclude specific WAS logger functions  
Filter by content of message  
Wildcards allowed

**Event Timing**

From:  On:

Until:  On:

Filter by range of time and date

"Apply" will put into effect your filtering selection

Record display ...

# Record Display of Content Based on Filtering

This displays in your Admin Console for the selected server's HPEL log:

**You may specify the number of rows displayed per page**

**You may configure which columns are displayed**

**Go to last page of the records**

**Refresh and see new records**

**Highlight a thread ID and you may then display records for that thread only**

**Export and save to your PC ... selected rows or whole repository**

**Bring up a summary listing of the server instance**

**Select Export Options**

Select the options for export

**Select log format**

- Binary format (readable by LogViewer)
- Basic format
- Advanced format

**Select log content**

- Current view only
- Whole Repository

OK Cancel

**Server Instance Information**

Name	Value
java.class.path	/wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/profiles/default/properties /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/properties /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/lib/bootsrap.jar /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/lib/bootsrap390.jar /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/lib/Impromy.jar /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/lib/startup.jar /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/java64/lib/tools.jar
was.ext.dirs	/wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/java64/lib /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/classes /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/lib /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/installedChannels /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/lib/ext /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/wab/help /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/deployso/http/plugins/com.ibm.etool /wasv8conf/qccell/ecndec/AppServer/java64/jre/lib
isServer	Y
orb.version	IBM Java ORB build orb626fp1-20110419.00
Version	Platform 8.0.0.0 [ND 8.0.0.0 n1118.03][WXDCG 8.0.0.0 a1119.06]
java.fullversion	JRE 1.6.0 IBM J9 2.6 z/OS s390x-64 20110418_80450 (JIT enabled, AOT enabled) J9VM - R26_Java626_GA_FPI_20110418_1915_880450 JIT - r11_20110215_18645f8 GC -

Example ...



# Simple Example of Filtering

Suppose you wish to see all the "Application started" messages:

**Select the SR log**

**Specify message string with wildcards**

**Note: case sensitive!**

**Click "Apply"**

Include loggers:  
Exclude loggers:  
Message contents:

Message

[WSVR0221I: Application started: SimpleJMS](#)

[WSVR0221I: Application started: ECIDateTimeAD01](#)

[WSVR0221I: Application started: PolicyIVPV5](#)

**Only matching records displayed**

TimeStamp	Thread ID	Logger	Level	Message
11/18/11 21:37:23.715	00000006	jonMgrImpl	AUDI	<a href="#">WSVR0221I: Application started: SimpleJMS</a>
11/18/11 21:37:23.799	00000008	jonMgrImpl	AUDI	<a href="#">WSVR0221I: Application started: ECIDateTimeAD01</a>
11/18/11 21:37:23.887	00000007	jonMgrImpl	AUDI	<a href="#">WSVR0221I: Application started: PolicyIVPV5</a>
11/18/11 21:37:24.240	00000008	jonMgrImpl	AUDI	<a href="#">WSVR0221I: Application started: ibmasyncrsp</a>
11/18/11 21:37:24.412	00000007	jonMgrImpl	AUDI	<a href="#">WSVR0221I: Application started: My_IVT_Application</a>
11/18/11 21:37:24.966	00000006	jonMgrImpl	AUDI	<a href="#">WSVR0221I: Application started: ATSSample2</a>

Configuring HPEL logging ...

# Configuring HPEL Logging for a Server

Process is relatively easy with a great deal of configurable options ...

Troubleshooting

- Logs and trace **Select Server**
- Configuration problems
- Class loader viewer
- Java dumps and cores

**General Properties**

- Configure HPEL logging** (Current status not available)
- Configure HPEL trace (Current status not available)
- Configure HPEL text log (Current status not available)

**General Properties**

- Directory path**: `${SERVER_LOG_ROOT}` (Specifies location where HPEL log directories and files will reside)
- Enable log record buffering** (Record buffering enhances performance but delays slightly the writing of records to the file)
- Start new log file daily at:** 12 AM (Provides ability to split the logs at specified daily time)
- Log record purging policies**
  - Begin cleanup of oldest records**
  - when log size approaches maximum (Two options for record purging -- file size trigger or max age trigger)
  - Log record age limit: 48 Hours old
  - Maximum log size: 50 Megabytes
- Out of space action**: Stop logging (What to do when file system runs out of space -- stop logging, purge oldest records or stop server)

Apply OK Reset Cancel

**Server Restart Needed**

Configuring HPEL tracing ...

# Configuring HPEL Tracing for a Server

Process is relatively easy with a great deal of configurable options ...

- [-] Troubleshooting
  - Logs and trace
  - Configuration problems
  - Class loader viewer
  - Java dumps and cores

Select Server

## General Properties

[Configure HPEL logging](#)

Current status not available

[Configure HPEL trace](#)

Current status not available

[Configure HPEL text log](#)

Current status not available

## General Properties

- Trace to a directory
  - Enable log record buffering
  - Start new log file daily at: 12 AM

### Log record purging policies

- Begin cleanup of oldest records when log size approaches maximum
- Log record age limit: 48 Hours old
- Maximum log size: 50 Megabytes

- \* Out of space action: Purge old records

Identical configuration options as logging for "trace to directory" option

Server Restart Needed

Alternatively, trace to a memory buffer

- Trace to a memory buffer
  - \* Memory Buffer Size: 8 MB

\* Directory to use for tracing and dumping memory buffer: \${SERVER\_LOG\_ROOT}

Apply OK Reset Cancel

Where trace records written to or dumped to from memory buffer

Dump button writes memory buffer to file trace log where log viewer may display it

Configuration Runtime

- Trace to a memory buffer
- \* Memory Buffer Size: 8 MB
- Dump

Text logger ...

# Configuring Optional HPEL Text Logging for a Server

Process is relatively easy with a great deal of configurable options ...

- ▢ Troubleshooting
  - Logs and trace
  - Configuration problems
  - Class loader viewer
  - Java dumps and cores

Select Server

## General Properties

[Configure HPEL logging](#)

Current status not available

[Configure HPEL trace](#)

Current status not available

[Configure HPEL text log](#)

Current status not available

## General Properties

Enable text log

Turns on the concurrent text logging feature

\* Directory path

`${SERVER_LOG_ROOT}`

Of limited value ... CR only!

Enable log record buffering

Start new log file daily at: 12 AM

### Log record purging policies

Begin cleanup of oldest records

when log size approaches maximum

Identical configuration options as logging

Log record age limit  
48 Hours old

Maximum log size  
50 Megabytes

\* Out of space action

Purge old records

\* Text output format

Basic

Text format

Include trace records

In addition to text logging, include trace records as well

Apply OK Reset Cancel

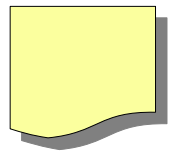
Server Restart Needed

Command line logViewer.sh ...

## The logViewer.sh Utility

A command-line utility to extract and view information from the binary HPEL logs. It has the same capabilities as the Admin Console log viewer:

logViewer.sh *-parameters*



Filtering Options



Server instance HPEL log

- Extract to a text-readable file
- Extract to a separate HPEL log
- Continuously monitor new output

**Let's take a tour of the parameters and options of this shell script utility. In lab you'll get a chance to use it.**

Simple example ...

# The logViewer.sh Utility - Simple Starting Example

Here's a starting example of using logViewer.sh ... first list the server instances, then use the server instance ID to extract a human-readable output file:

## Reminder of default location of HPEL logs for a given server:

```
/wasv85config/z9cell/z9nodea/AppServer/profiles/default/logs/z9sr01a
```

## ... and the location of the logViewer.sh shell script:

```
/wasv85config/z9cell/z9nodea/AppServer/profiles/default/bin/logViewer.sh
```

## Determines the HPEL server instance logs that are present *(all on one line)*

```
./logViewer.sh
```

```
-repositoryDir /wasv85config/z9cell/z9nodea/AppServer/profiles/default/logs/z9sr01a
```

```
-listInstances
```

Instance ID	Start Date
1321728440474	11/19/11 13:47:20.474 EST
<a href="#">1321728440474/0000012000000040-Z9SR01AS_STC00730</a>	11/19/11 13:47:27.081 EST
1321728440474/0000010800000046-Z9SR01AS_STC00731	11/19/11 13:47:40.617 EST

## Extract the HPEL log to a text-readable file ... view or download *(all on one line)*

```
./logViewer.sh
```

```
-repositoryDir /wasv85config/z9cell/z9nodea/AppServer/profiles/default/logs/z9sr01a
```

```
-instance 1321728440474/0000012000000040-Z9SR01AS\_STC00730
```

```
-outLog /tmp/hpelout.txt
```

← This file has the same format on z/OS as on other platforms. In EBCDIC, so download using "ascii"

Syntax ...

## Details of logViewer.sh Parameters

Here is the complete list of options and a brief description of each. Notice how the parameters mirror the Admin Console log viewer options:

### logViewer.sh

- repositoryDir** <directory name> *Location of HPEL repository to read from*
- outLog** <file\_name> *Path and file name of the output file*
- startDate** <date\_time> *Extract only records after this date and time (help provides syntax options)*
- stopDate** <date\_time> *Extract only records before this date and time*
- level** FINEST | FINER | FINE | DETAIL | CONFIG | INFO | AUDIT | WARNING | SEVERE | FATAL *Level to extract*
- minLevel** FINEST | FINER | FINE | DETAIL | CONFIG | INFO | AUDIT | WARNING | SEVERE | FATAL *Start range to extract*
- maxLevel** FINEST | FINER | FINE | DETAIL | CONFIG | INFO | AUDIT | WARNING | SEVERE | FATAL *End range to extract*
- format** <basic | advanced | CBE-1.0.1> *Format of output file*
- monitor** [interval] *Continuously monitor and update output file*
- includeLoggers** <logger\_names> *Include loggers by logger class name*
- excludeLoggers** <logger\_names> *Exclude loggers by logger class name*
- thread** <thread\_id> *Extract only for specified thread*
- extractToNewRepository** <directory\_name> *Option to create a sub-repository based on extract rules*
- listInstances** *List the server process instances found in the repository*
- instance** <instanceid> *Extract only named process instance*
- latestInstance** *Extract only the most recent server process instance*
- message** <message> *Extract records that match message mask ... asterisk and question mark wildcards allowed*

# Newest Method of Managing Output

New function introduced via an APAR to V7, V8 or V8.5:

- Introduced by APAR PM74923

Version	Maintenance
V7	7.0.0.29
V8	8.0.0.6
V8.5	8.5.0.2

- Fully describe in techdoc:

Techdocs Library > White papers >

**Implementing the Output APAR (PM74923) enhancements in WebSphere Application Server on z/OS**

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<http://www.ibm.com/support/techdocs/atmastr.nsf/WebIndex/WP102267>



# The Method Introduced By the APAR

Produces log output to a file system location you specify:

- File based.
- WebSphere ensures that there will be no naming conflicts
- Works for all components (Daemon, Dmgr, Nodeagents, Servers (both controllers, adjuncts, and servants))
- File switching is simple using a z/OS MODIFY command
- No need for users to access the filesystem
- Access to the output can be uncontrolled or controlled...
  - At the cell level
  - At the node
  - Server by server
  - Via normal security on the filesystem ... or ...
  - Via any security system that the HTTP server supports (SAF, LDAP, etc.)

Variables ...

# How does it work? What do I do to set it up?

It's really fairly simple ... a few WebSphere variables:

## In WebSphere:

Add variables at appropriate scopes.

- **They will be inherited by lower levels...**

Simplest setup is to just add them at the cell level and let all components write to the same path

The same variable at a lower level will take precedence

- **Variable names:**

`DAEMON_redirect_server_output_dir` (for the Daemon)

`redirect_server_output_dir` (for everything else)

Value is simply the path name where you wish the output to be written

Example: `/wasv85config/wasoutput/z9cell/z9cell`

# Setup in WebSphere

This is standard WebSphere environment variable setup:

WebSphere. software

View: All tasks

- Welcome
- Guided Activities
- Servers
- Applications
- Jobs
- Services
- Resources
- Runtime Operations
- Security
- Operational policies
- Environment
  - Virtual hosts
  - Update global Web server plug-in configuration
  - WebSphere variables
  - Shared libraries
  - SIP application routers
  - Replication domains
  - URI Groups
  - Naming
  - OSGI bundle repositories
- System administration
- Users and Groups
- Monitoring and Tuning
- Troubleshooting
- Service integration
- UDDI

Cell=z9cell, Profile=default

WebSphere Variables

WebSphere Variables > redirect\_server\_output\_dir

Use this page to define substitution variables. Variables specify a directories. Variables have a scope level, which is either server, no levels. When a variable has conflicting scope values, the more gra variables override node variables, which override cluster variables.

Configuration

General Properties

Name	redirect_server_output_dir
Value	/wasv85config/wasoutput/z9c
Description	

Apply OK Reset Cancel

**redirect\_server\_output\_dir**

**/wasv85config/wasoutput/z9cell/z9cell**

That's all there is ... in WebSphere

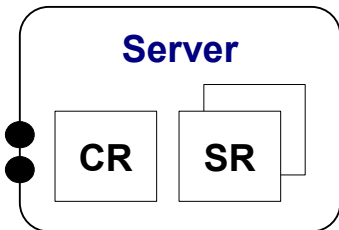
Server restart ...

# Server Restart and the Result ...

In WebSphere all that is left is to restart the components you believe that you have modified, and the output will be redirected to the path you've specified.

`DAEMON_redirect_server_output_dir` (for the Daemon)

`redirect_server_output_dir` (for everything else)



```
:/shared/wasoutput/z9cell/z9cell
```

```
-> ls
```

```
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.WG31.Z9DEMN.STC12090.DAEMON.130701.174549.SYSOUT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.WG31.Z9DEMN.STC12090.DAEMON.130701.174549.SYSPRINT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.Z9DMGR.Z9DMGR.STC12089.CTL.130701.134548.SYSOUT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.Z9DMGR.Z9DMGR.STC12089.CTL.130701.134548.SYSPRINT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.Z9DMGR.Z9DMGRS.STC12091.SR.130701.134606.SYSOUT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.Z9DMGR.Z9DMGRS.STC12091.SR.130701.134606.SYSPRINT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9NODEA.Z9AGNTA.Z9AGNTA.STC12092.CTL.130701.134710.SYSOUT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9NODEA.Z9AGNTA.Z9AGNTA.STC12092.CTL.130701.134710.SYSPRINT.txt
```

Output for the Daemon

Output for  
other servers  
in the cell

Rolling log files ...

# Rolling Log Files

If you wish to switch to a new file, from any z/OS Console:

Server JOBNAME

Modify Action

F Z9DEMN,ROLL\_LOGS

BBOO0211I MODIFY COMMAND ROLL\_LOGS COMPLETED SUCCESSFULLY

```
:/shared/wasoutput/z9cell/z9cell
```

```
-> ls
```

```
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.WG31.Z9DEMN.STC12090.DAEMON.130701.174549.SYSOUT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.WG31.Z9DEMN.STC12090.DAEMON.130701.174549.SYSPRINT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.WG31.Z9DEMN.STC12090.DAEMON.130701.174907.SYSOUT.txt
Z9CELL.Z9DMNODE.WG31.Z9DEMN.STC12090.DAEMON.130701.174907.SYSPRINT.txt
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Z9CELL.Z9NODEA.Z9AGNTA.Z9AGNTA.STC12092.CTL.130701.134710.SYSPRINT.txt
```

At this point, if all you want is ISPF browse or telnet access, you are done...

Result ...

