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IBM i hosting IBM i (aka. i Virtualization)

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Abstract

In this session I will go through the concepts and implementation steps for IBM i client partitions (aka. virtual partitions), when hosted by an IBM i host partition.

Both HMC controlled machine and Non-HMC controlled setups will be covered.





Agenda

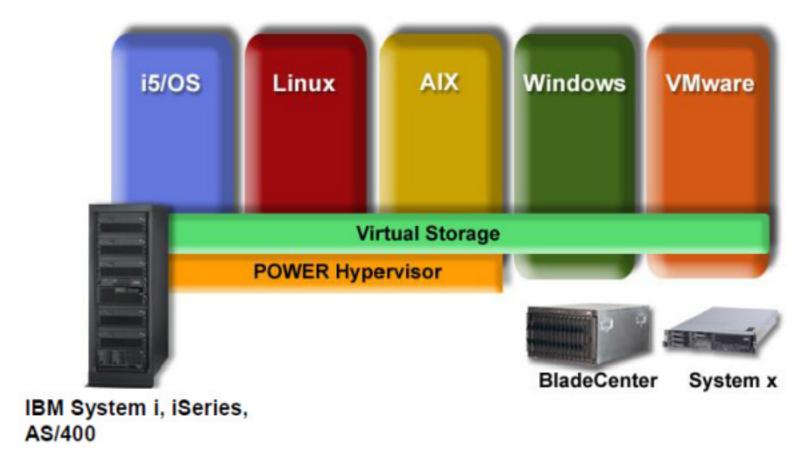
- Overview
- Enhancments in IBM i 7.1, 7.2 & 7.3
- VPM based setup (GUI & 5250)
- HMC based setup (Classic UI)
- Hints & Tips
- Documentation





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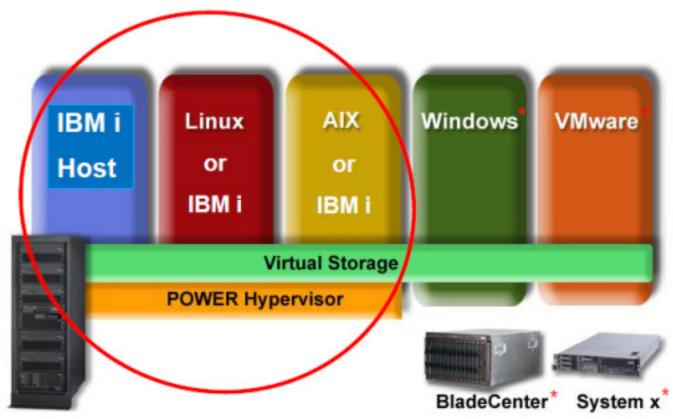








IBM i Innovative Virtualization Technology – over the last 20+ years



IBM Power Systems And earlier System i, iSeries, AS/400

* No further development on iSCSI attached System x & BC. Power8 and IBM i 7.2 is the last supported HW & SW. No non-IBM x86 servers to be supported





What Is PowerVM?

Hardware and software that delivers industry-leading virtualization on IBM POWER processor-based servers for IBM i, UNIX and Linux clients



- Subsystems
- Workload Capping
- ·IBM i Hosting i



- Workload Partitions
- Live Application Mobility

Power VM

Features (edition dependent):

- Micro-Partitioning
- Virtual I/O Server (VIOS)
- Integrated Virtualization Manager (IVM)
- Live Partition Mobility (LPM)
- Active Memory Sharing (AMS)
- Suspend/Resume
- Shared Storage Pools
- Logical Partitioning

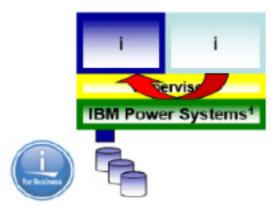




Virtualizing storage for partitions on traditional servers

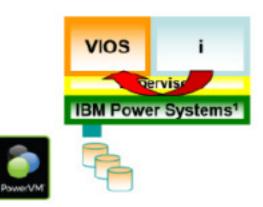
IBM i hosting

- Disk storage resources owned by an IBM i partition
- Used by secondary partitions (AIX, IBM i, Linux, and/or Windows)
- Integrated or SAN attached disk storage virtualized using virtual SCSI (vSCSI)
- Tape virtualization as standalone device via vSCSI
- HMC usually required, but VPM is an option on smaller systems
- Can mix virtual and direct I/O in client partitions



Virtual I/O Server (VIOS) hosting

- Disk storage resources "owned" by VIOS partition
- Used by secondary partitions (AIX, IBM i, Linux)
- Integrated or SAN attached disk storage virtualized using vSCSI
- SAN attached storage via virtual fibre channel (NPIV)
- Tape virtualized as standalone device via vSCSI
- Tape virtualized as library via NPIV
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- Can mix virtual and direct I/O in client partitions



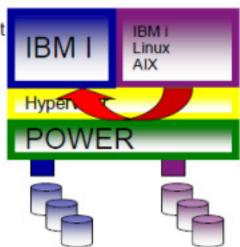






IBM i Virtual Client Partitions

- 'IBM i' based Virtualization ("iVirtualization")
 - IBM i partition uses I/O resources from another IBM i partition
 - Eliminates requirement to buy adapters and disk drives for each IBM i partition
 - Supports simple creation of additional partitions for test, development or production workload.
 - Requires IBM i 7.1 or later. IBM i 6.1 will work*
 - Requires PowerVM standard edition**
 - Can mix virtual and direct I/O in client (with HMC)
- Platform support
 - All POWER6, P7, P8 System models (that supports IBM i)
 - (NOT PowerBlades or Flex System Power Nodes)
- Storage support
 - Determined by host IBM i partition and HW (External Storage or integrated disks)
- LPAR management
 - HMC / vHMC
 - VPM (virtual partition manager) with IBM i 7.1 TR3 (or later) on scaleout servers.
- * IBM i 6.1 only supported with Service Extension
- ** On some older systems with VPM, you can create up to 2 client lpars without the PowerVM key







Virtualization Options

IBM i partition can host ("N+1 / N-2"):

- IBM i 7.3, 7.2, 7.1 and IBM i 6.1* client partitions
 - Note: NOT 6.1 clients on Power8 servers!
- AIX and Linux client partitions
- iSCSI attached System x and BladeCenter **

PowerVM VIOS can host:

- IBM i 7.3, 7.2, 7.1 and IBM i 6.1*client partitions
- AIX and Linux client partitions
- VIOS supports advanced virtualization technologies including Active Memory Sharing, NPIV, Live Partition Mobility, Suspend/Resume
- * IBM i 6.1 only supported with Service Extension
- ** No further development on iSCSI attached System x & BC. Power8 and IBM i 7.2 is the last supported HW & SW.



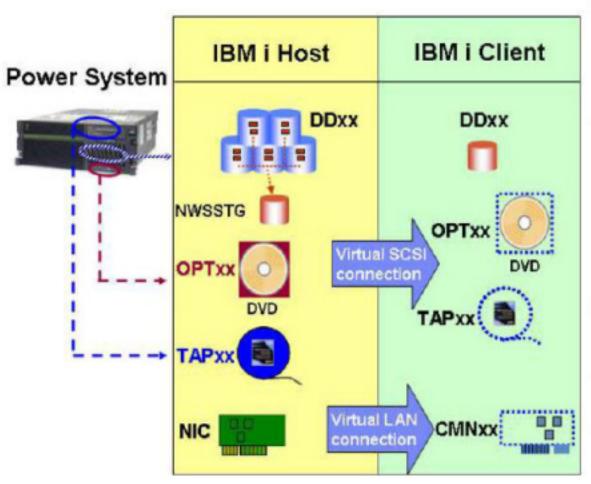


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IBM i Host and Client Partitions: Overview



Requirements

- POWER6/7/8 hardware
- IBM I 6.1 (or later) on host and client
- PowerVM standard edition

DASD

- Hardware assigned to host LPAR in HMC
- DASD can be integrated or external storage
- DASD virtualized as NWSSTG objects (aka. Storage spaces / Virtual disks)

Optical

- DVD drive in host LPAR virtualized directly (OPTxx)
- Tape virtualization
 - new from 7.1 TR2

Networking

- Network adapter and Virtual Ethernet adapter in host LPAR
- Virtual Ethernet adapter in client LPAR
- Layer 2 bridge supported from
 7.1 TR3 ____





IBM i Virtualization Enhancements Overview 1/2

IBM i Virtualization Support	Configuration (Native, VIOS, IVIrt)	IBM i 7.3	IBM i 7.2	IBM i 7.1
Enhancements from April / May 2016 (below)				
Live Partition Mobility - Support for active tapes	VIOS	Base	Tech Refresh 4	N/A

IBM i Virtualization Support	Configuration (Native, VIOS, IVIT)	IBM i 7.2	IBM i 7.1
Enhancements from Nov 2015 (below)			
Little Endian Linux Client	iVirt	Tech Refresh 3	Tech Refresh 11
vNC with SR-IOV	VIOS	Tech Refresh 3	Tech Refresh 11
VLAN Tag Support for Network Boot and Install	VIOS	Tech Refresh 3	N/A
Large Send Offload on Virtual Ethernet	Mirt	Tech Refresh 3	Tech Refresh 11
Enhancements from May 2015 (below)			
SR-IOV support for Power Systems with POWER8 technology	Native, Mrt, VIOS	Tech Refresh 2	Tech Refresh 10
Enhancements from Jun 2014 (below)			
Native SR-IOV Ethernet	Native, Mrt, VIOS	Base	Tech Refresh 8
increased number of virtual disks per VSCSI adapter	IVIT, VIOS	Base	Tech Refresh 8
Layer-2 bridging of VLAN-tagged frames	Mrt	Base	N/A
Control over resources used to initialize client disk	Mrt	Base	N/A
SSD preference for virtual disk	Mit	Base	N/A
Easier tape and optical configuration	Mrt	Base	N/A

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IBM i Virtualization Enhancements Overview 2/2

Virtualization Support by GA date	IBM i 7.2	IBM i 7.1 Minimum code level	IBM I 6.1 (with 6.1.1 Manhine Code) Minimum code level	Environment
March 2013		Technology Refresh 6		
- NPIV attach of SVC and Storwize V7000, V3700, V3500	Base	x	2	VIOS
October 2012		Technology Refresh 5		195.000
- Large Receive Officed for layer 2 bridging	Base	X		VIOS
- IBM FowerVM V2.2 Refresh with SSP & LPM updates	Dase	X		VIOS
May 2012		Technology Refresh 4		0.790
- IBM i Live Partition Mebility	Base	X	-	VIOS
- HMC Remote Restart PRPQ	Base	X		VIOS
- Performance enhancement for zeroing virtual disk	Base	x		Nitualization
December 2011		Technology Refresh 3		
- IBM PowerVM V2.2 Refresh with SSP enhancements	Base	×	2	VIOS
October 2011		Technology Refresh 3		
- Ethernel layer-2 bridging	Base	X		Nittualization
- Mirroring with NPTV Attached Storage	Buse			VIOS
- VPM enhancement to create IBM I partitions	Base	X	x (client only)	Nittualization
- Power/M NPIV attachment of DS5000 for Blades	Base	X		VIOS
- IBM PowerVM V2.2 Refresh with Network Load Balancing	Base	x	×	WOS
Way 2011		Technology Refresh 2		
- Partition Suspend and Resume	Dase	Z moonings		vios
- IBM i to IBM i virtual tape support	Base	, i	APAR #14615 (client only)	Olimatzation
PowerVM N_Port ID Virtualization attachment of D95000	Rase	×	-	VIOS.
December 2010		Technology Refresh 1		
- Power/M with Shared Storage Pools	Dase	x	-	VIOS
Saptember 2010		Technology Retrest 1		PROPOSITION
- Support for embedded media changers	Base	X		Nittualization
- Expanded HBA and switch support for NPIV on blades	Base	X	X	VIOS





Review of Load Source Sizes

	7.1	7.2	7.2 TR1
Minimum LS Size	17 GB	70 GB	70 GB physical disks 35 GB* virtual disks 520 bytes 40 GB* virtual disks 512 bytes
Max Device size	2 TB	2 TB	2 TB
Max LS Size	1.2 TB	2 TB	2 TB

^{*} PTFs are required before upgrading to a 35 GB Load Source





IBM i host to IBM i Client Virtual Tape Summary

- Allows IBM i client partitions to use tape devices attached to IBM i server partitions
 - Client partition utilizes existing support for VIOS-hosted tape devices
 - Server partition utilizes existing support for Linux & Windows virtual tape clients
 - Error recovery & serviceability improvements
- Only a subset of tape drives are supported for virtualization
 - Physical tape drives only, no support for exporting tape image catalogs to IBM i clients
 - LTO3/LTO4/LTO5/LTO6
 - DAT72/DAT160/DAT320
 - IOPless attachment only, IOP attached tape drives are not supported by the IBM i client
 - Tape library devices are only supported when in sequential mode (no library functions).
- Both the server and client partitions should be at the latest PTF levels.





System Requirements – Virtual Tape

Server Partition Software

- IBM i 7.3 GA
- IBM i 7.2 GA
- IBM i 7.1 with Technology Refresh 2

Client Partition Software

- IBM i 7.3 GA
- IBM i 7.2 GA
- IBM i 7.1 with TR2 + MF52103
- OR -
- IBM i 7.1 + client support PTFs
- -- OR --
- IBM i 6.1.1 + client support PTFs.

Note: LTO6 support requires the following PTFS:

- V6R1M1 MF55885 and MF55968
 - If using BRMS, SI47038 or superseding PTF
- IBM i 7.1 MF55886 and MF55967
 - If using BRMS, SI47039 or superseding PTF

Note: LTO-7 support requires the following PTFs:

- IBM i 7.1 MF60438
- If using BRMS, \$157213 or superseding PTF
- IBM i 7.2 MF60437
 - If using BRMS, \$157214 or susperseding PTF

Tape Device Hardware

- TS2240 HH-LTO4 SAS
- TS2340 LTO4 SAS
- FC 5746 HH-LTO4 SAS
- TS2250 HH-LTO5 SAS
- TS2350 LTO5 SAS
- TS2260 HH-LTO6 SAS
- TS2360 LTO6 SAS
- FC 5638 HH-LTO5 SAS
- FC EU11 HH-LT06 SAS
- TS2900 in sequential mode with LTO4, LTO5, or LTO6 SAS drives
- TS3100 in seguential mode with LTO3 Fibre Channel drives
- TS3100 in sequential mode with LTO4, LTO5 or LTO6 SAS / Fibre Channel drives
- TS3200 in sequential mode with LTO3 Fibre Channel drives.
- TS3200 in sequential mode with LTO4, LTO5 or LTO6 SAS / Fibre Channel drives
- FC 5907 DAT72 SAS
- FC 5619 DAT160 SAS
- FC 5661 DAT320 SAS
- 7206 Model 336 external SCSI DAT72 drive.
- TS2230 HH-LTO3 SCSI drive
- TS7620 (ProtecTIER) see note 1
- TS7650 (ProtecTIER) see note 1

Additional devices supported with client partitions running release V7R1 (IBM i 7.1) or later:

- TS2270 LTO-7 SAS HH Stand Alone Tape drive
- HH LTO-7 6.0TB SAS, 7226 w/FC8441
- FC 8446 HH LTO-7 Fibre Channel in 7226 enclosure
- 3572 (TS2900) in sequential mode with SAS LTO-7 drives.
- 3573 (TS3100, TS3200) in sequential mode with SAS and Fibre Channel LTO-7 drives

For complete list of required PTFs see:

https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/community/wikis/home?lang=en#/wiki/IBM%20Removable%20Media%20on% 20IBM%20i/page/Client%20Virtual%20Tape%20Devices

. Or Info APAR: "II14615 - SUPPORT OF CLIENT VIRTUAL TAPE DEVICES ON SYSTEM I"



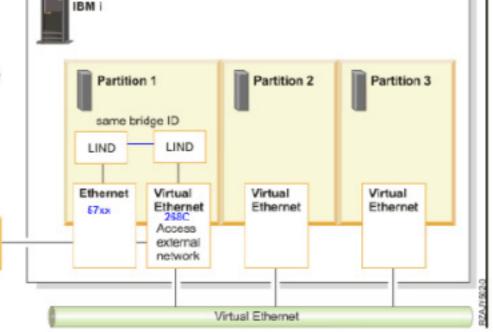




Network Virtualization with an IBM i Bridged Ethernet Adapter

I I Network

- IBM i now provides the capability to share a physical network adapter by creating a Layer-2 Virtual Ethernet bridge
 - Bridges an internal VLAN switched managed by the POWER Hypervisor to the external LAN through a physical Ethernet adapter.
- Virtual Ethernet adapters in client IBM i partitions get direct access to outside network.
- Done though an option on the Hardware Management Console (HMC) or automatically via VPM
- Plus configuring new parameter on the Ethernet line descriptions (BRIDGE)
- · Note: HEA is not supported







Steps to create client partition

Highlevel steps:

- Ensure sufficient free resources processor, memory, diskspace
- Create Ipar (container) via HMC/VPM
- Create network server description (NWSD)
- 4. Create virtual storage (storage space / virtual disk)
- Install IBM i





Using VPM to create partitions





Virtual Partition Manager (VPM)

- Virtual Partition Manager (VPM) is a partition management tool that supports the creation of partitions that use only virtual I/O and does not require the HMC or IVM.
- In addition to being able to manage Linux guest partitions, the VPM now supports creation and management of IBM i client partitions.
- VPM function is available on POWER Systems Servers that do not have an external management console (nor requires one).
- Requirement IBM i 7.1 TR3 in host Ipar for 5250
- Requirement IBM i 7.1 TR6 in host lpar for GUI
- LAN Console! IBM i 7.3 requires IBM Access Client Solution (ACS) LAN Console
 - the old IBM i Access 7.1 for Windows LAN Console will not work after initial D-IPL



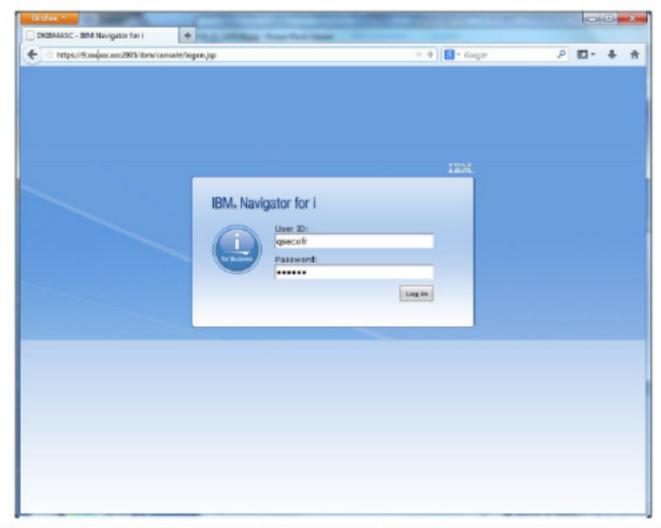


Using VPM GUI to create partitions





VPM Navigator for i – interface (IBM i 7.1 TR6 and later)



To access the VPM GUI open in a browser: https://<HOST-IP>:2005/ibm/console/logon.jsp

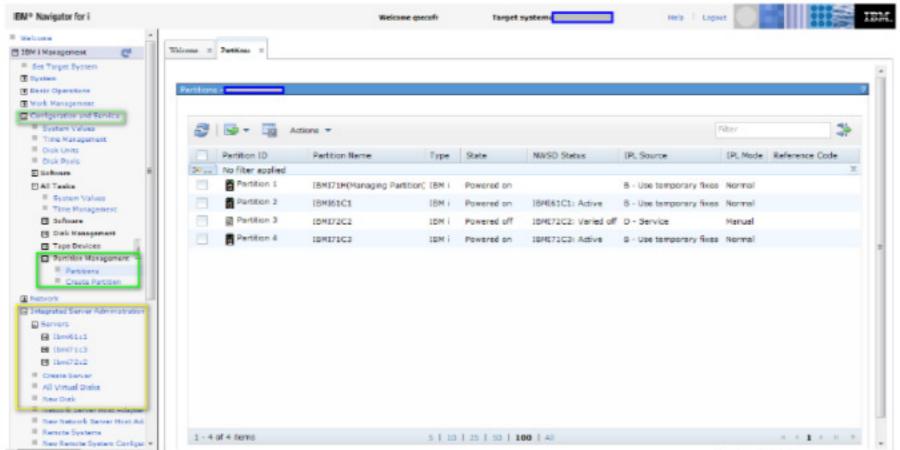






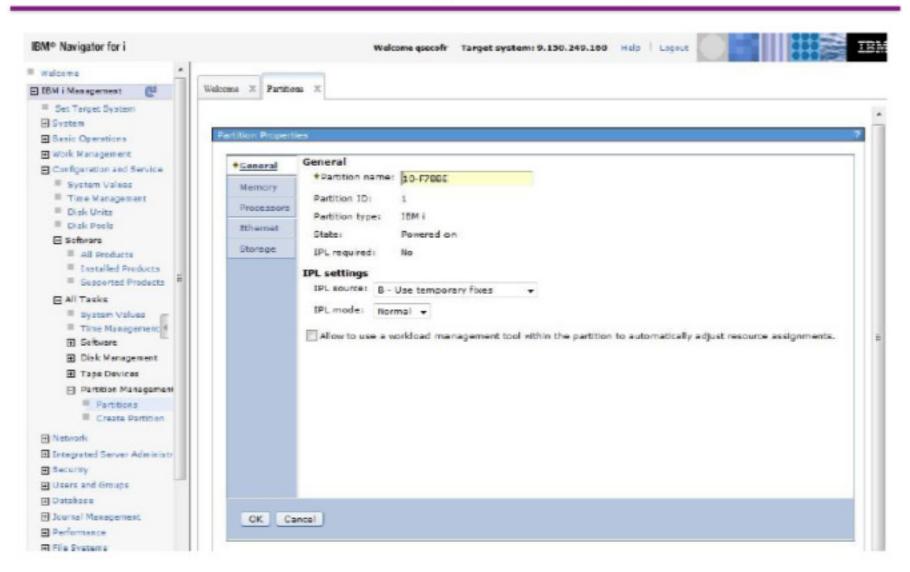
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Virtual Partition Manager (VPM) Navigator for i interface is found under: Configuration and Services => All Tasks => Partition Management



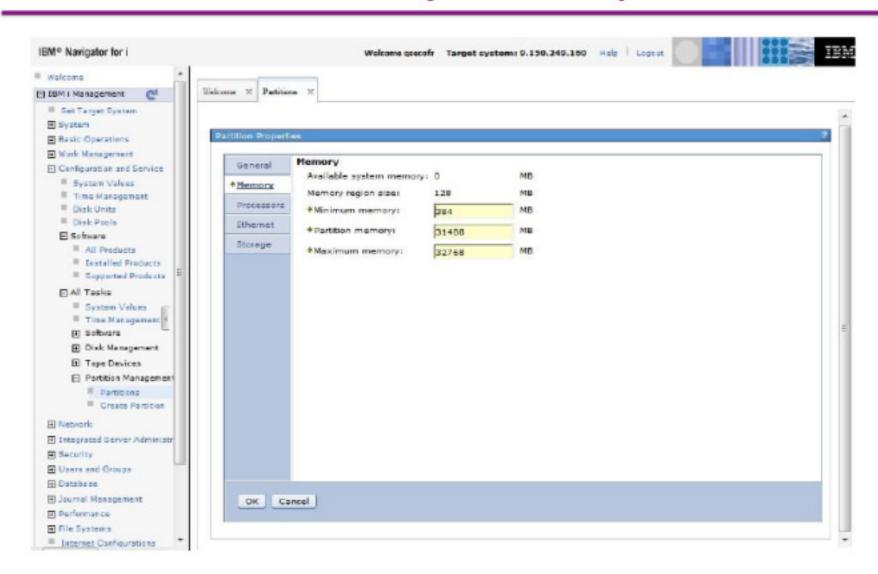






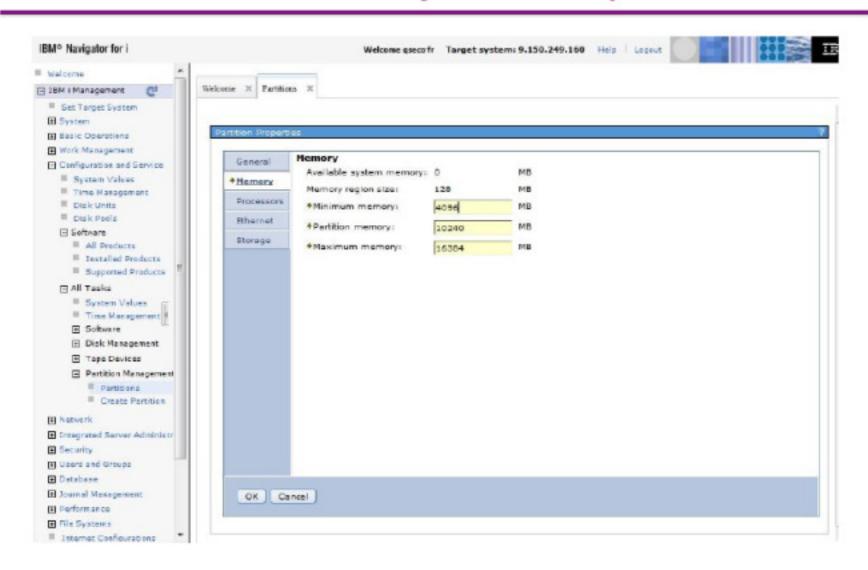






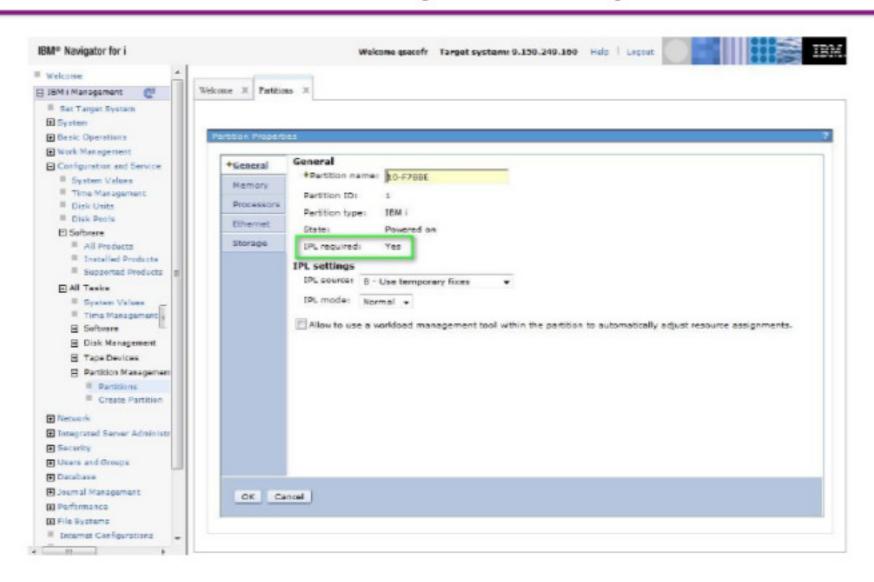






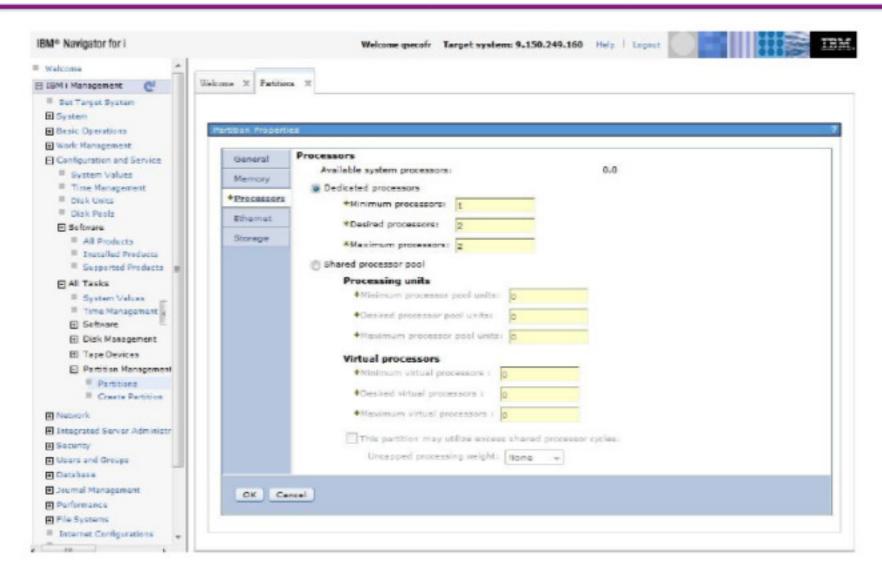






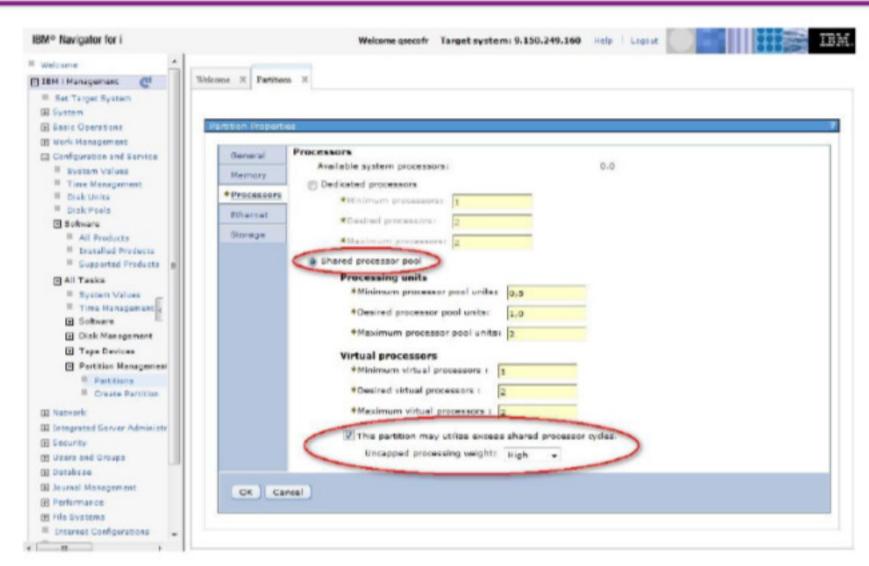
















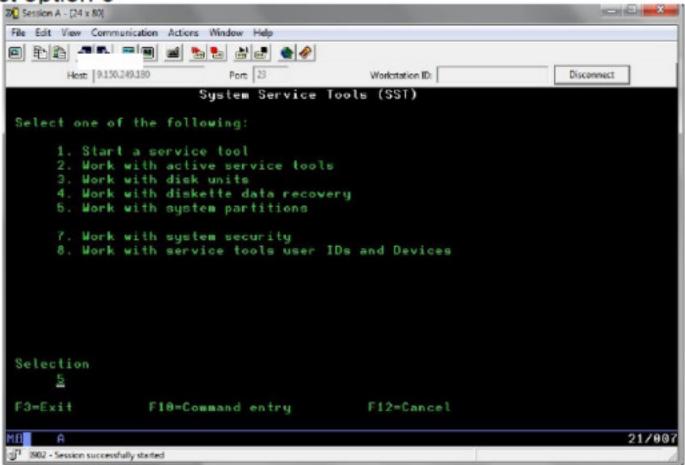
Using VPM 5250 SST/DST to create partitions





Partitioning - Getting Started

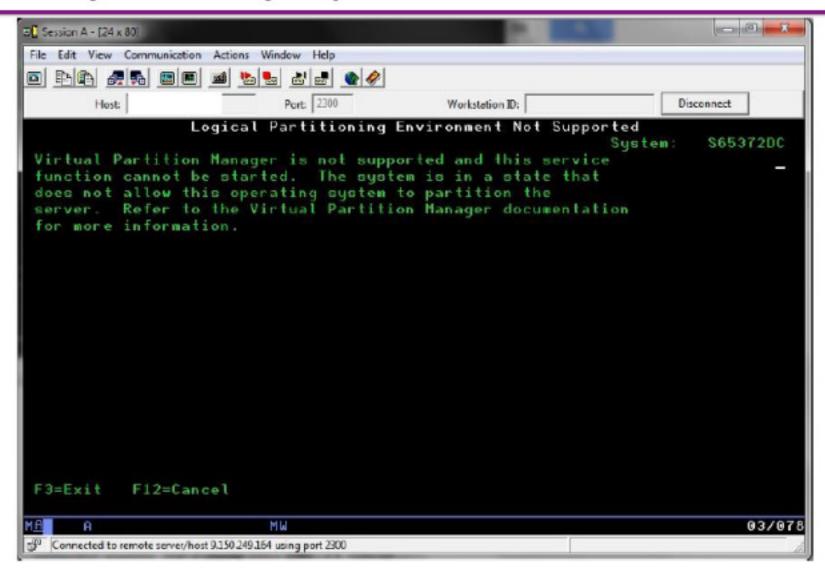
- Logon to DST or SST (strsst)
- Select option 5







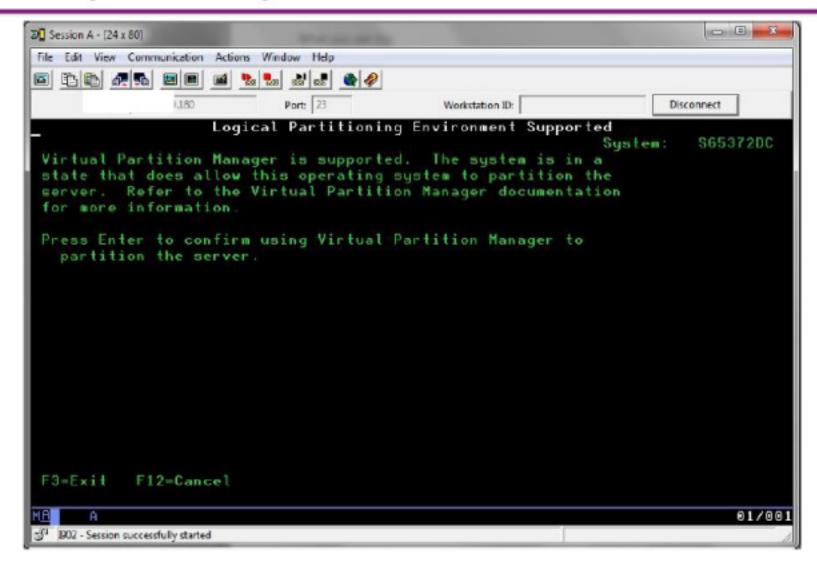
Is the System Ready? Ups – HMC controlled...







Is the System Ready? YES – not HMC.

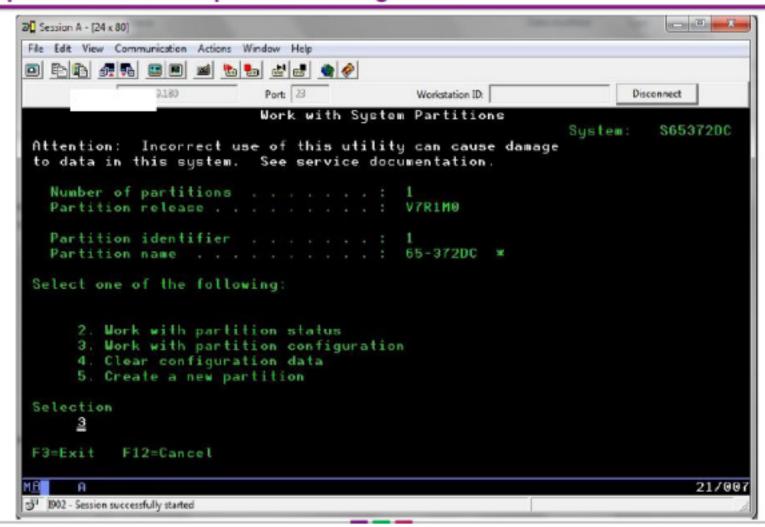






Free some CPU and Memory

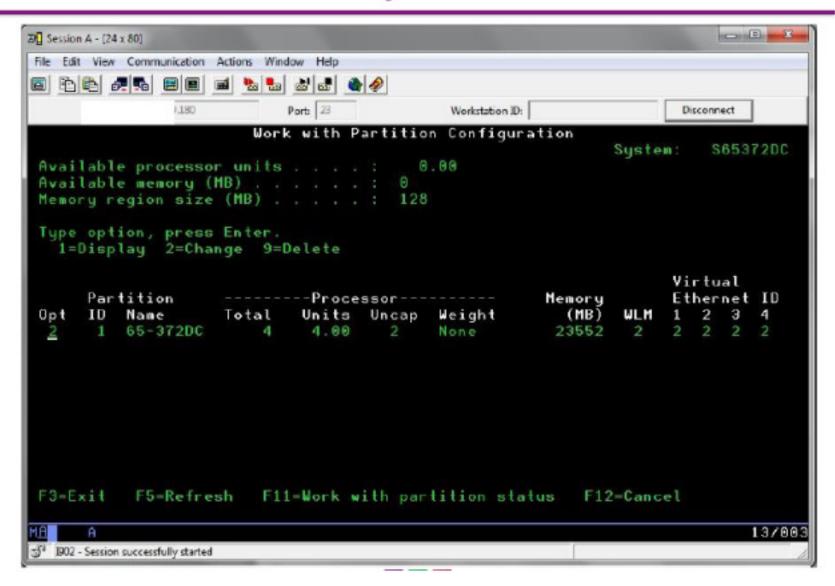
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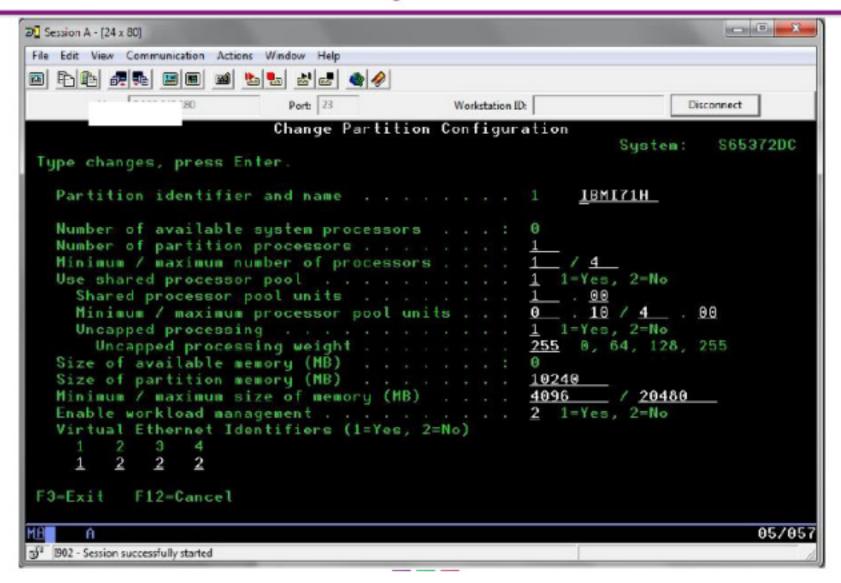
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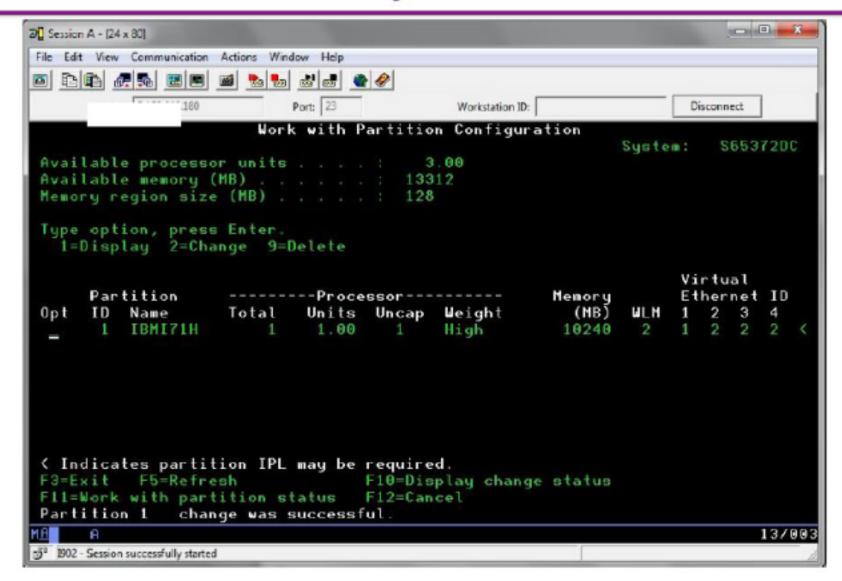
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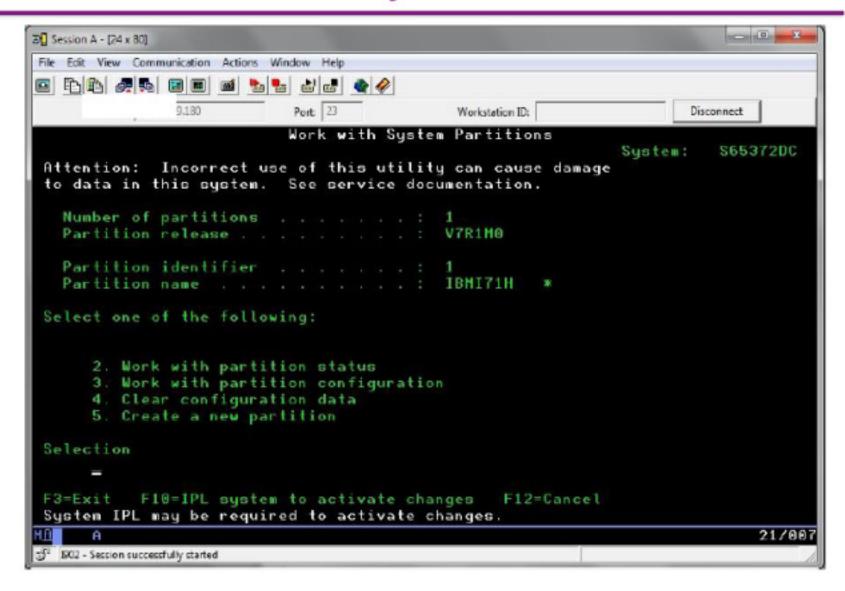
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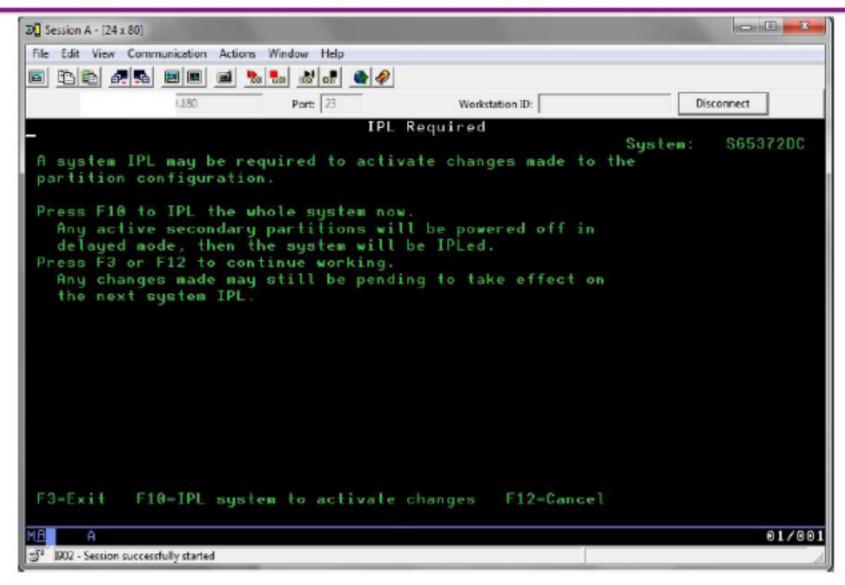
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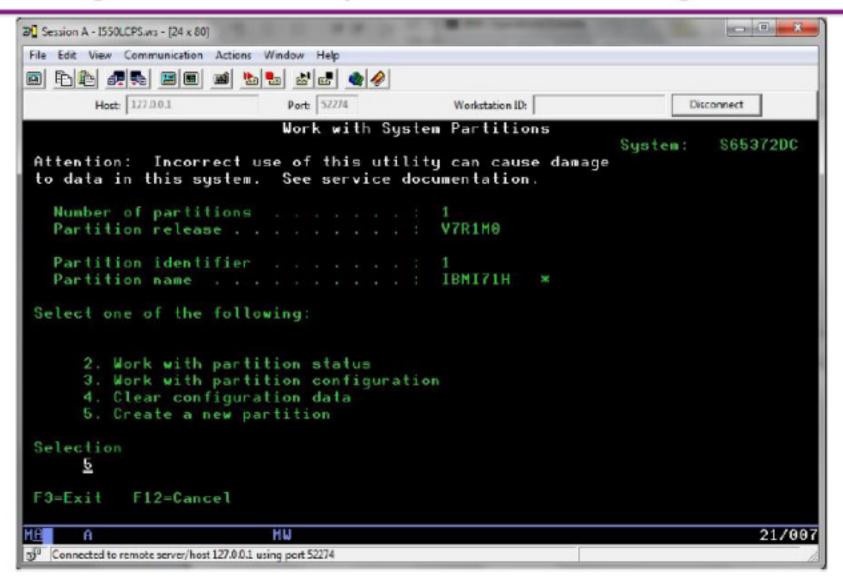
Free some CPU and Memory – IPL but take care







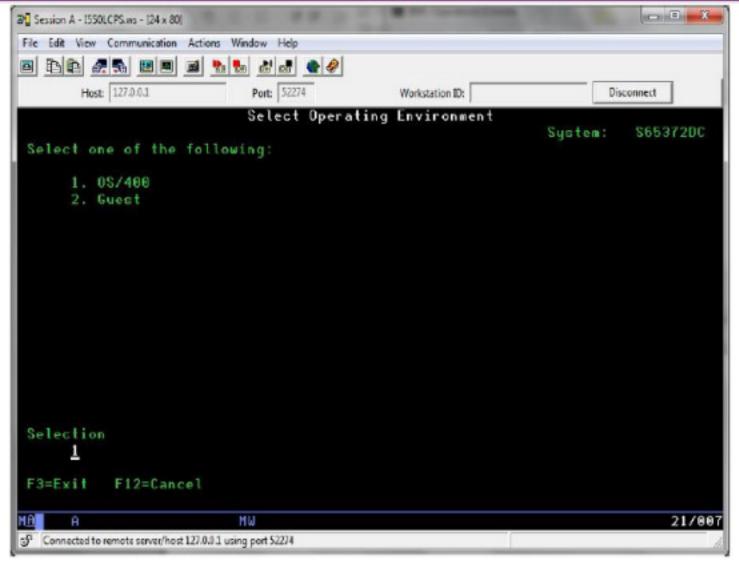
Creating an IBM i Client partition => STRSST again







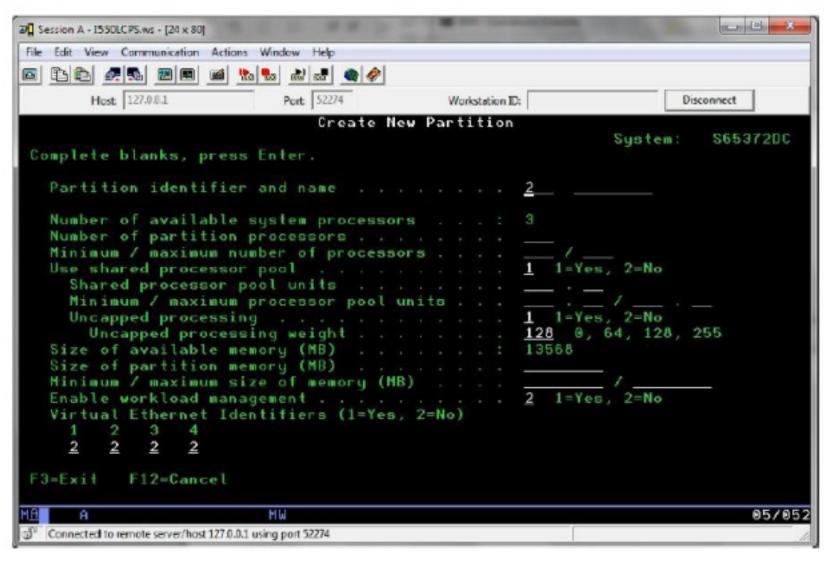
Creating an IBM i Client partition – Select Operating Environment







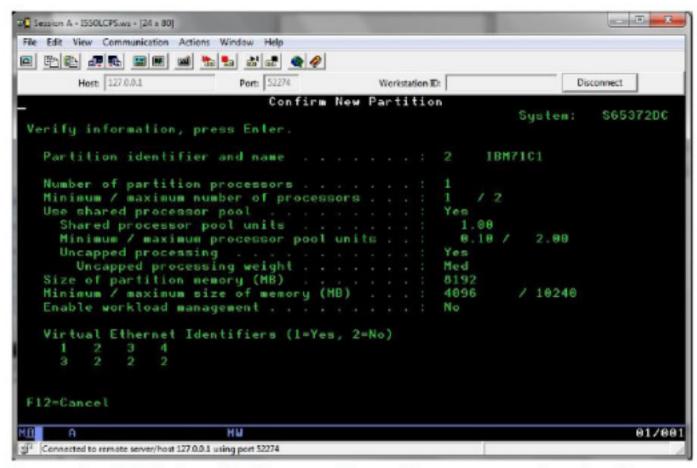
Creating an IBM i Client partition – Create New Partition







Creating an IBM i Client partition - confirm

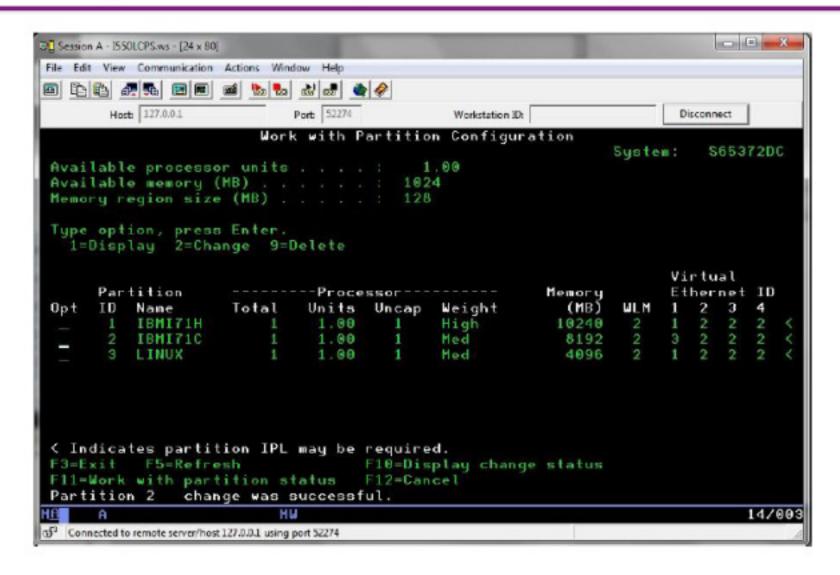


In order to select Virtual Ethernet as the console device you have to set a Virtual Ethernet Identifier to '3', Instead of '1'.





Creating an IBM i Client partition – IPL required '<'

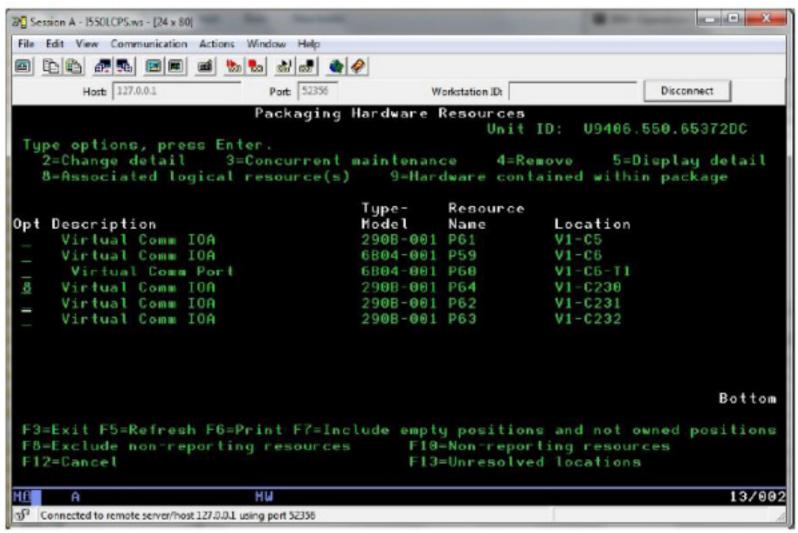






Identify virtual SCSI resource

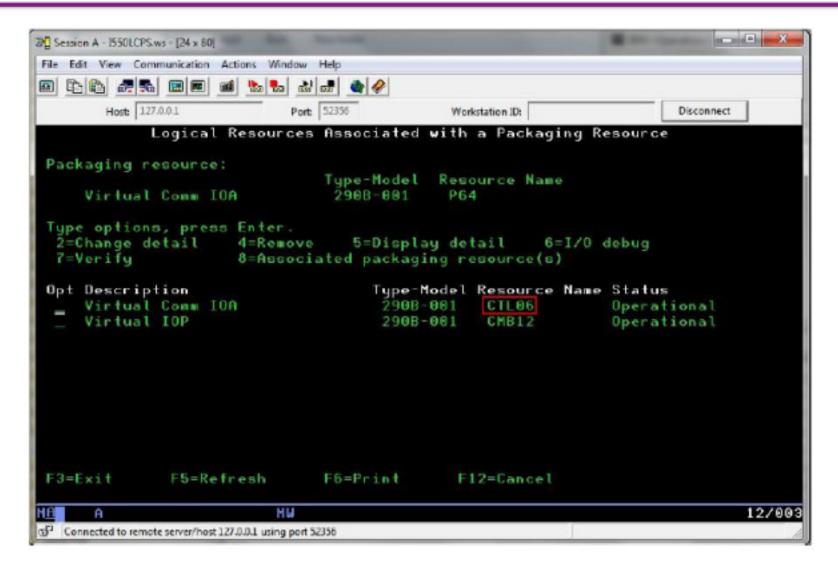
Look for "290B" with location ending Cx30







Identify virtual SCSI resource







Common setup tasks (regardless of VPM 5250 or HMC)





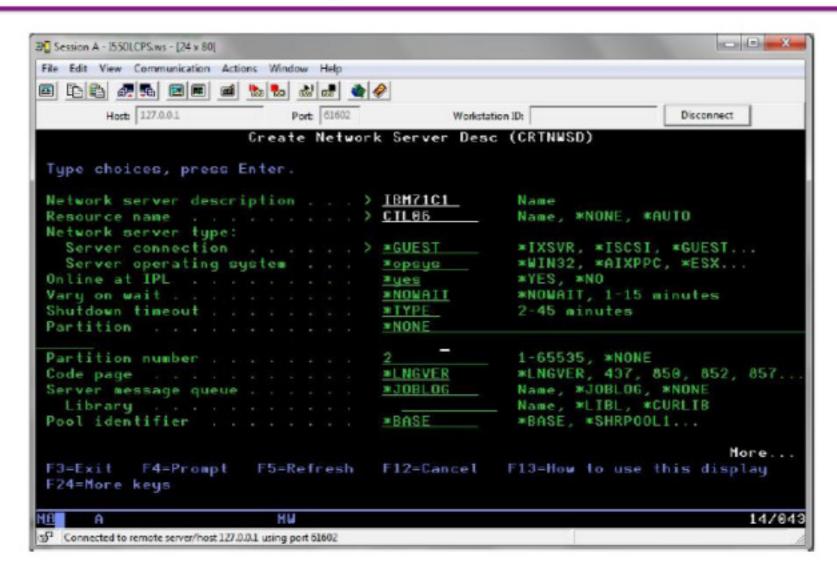
Setting up IBM i Virtual I/O Resources

- Create Network Server Description (NWSD) *
- Create Network Storage Space (aka Virtual Disk) *
- Linking the virtual disks to the NWSD *
- Optionally create a Virtual Image Catalog
- * All done in one step by the IBM i Navigator VPM partition create wizard!





Network Server Description: CRTNWSD







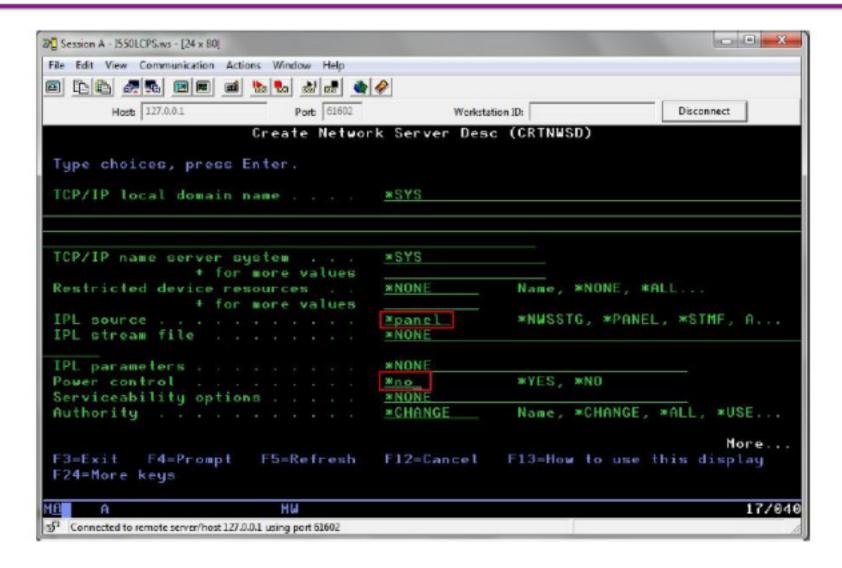
Network Server Description: CRTNWSD page 2

3 Session A - I550LCPS.ws - [24 x 80]	_ C X
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help	
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Host: 127.0.0.1 Port: 61602	Workstation ID: Disconnect
Create Network	k Server Desc (CRTNWSD)
Type choices, press Enter.	
	*NONE *NONE, 1, 2, 3, 4
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t for more values _ TCP/IP route configuration: _ Route destination Subnet mask	*NONE
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F3=Exit F4=Prompt F5=Refresh F24=More keys	More F12=Cancel F13=How to use this display
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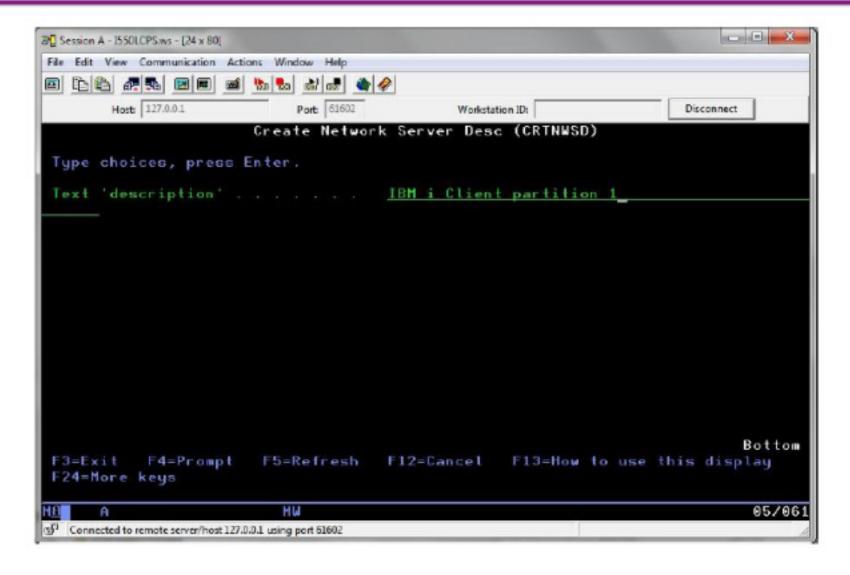
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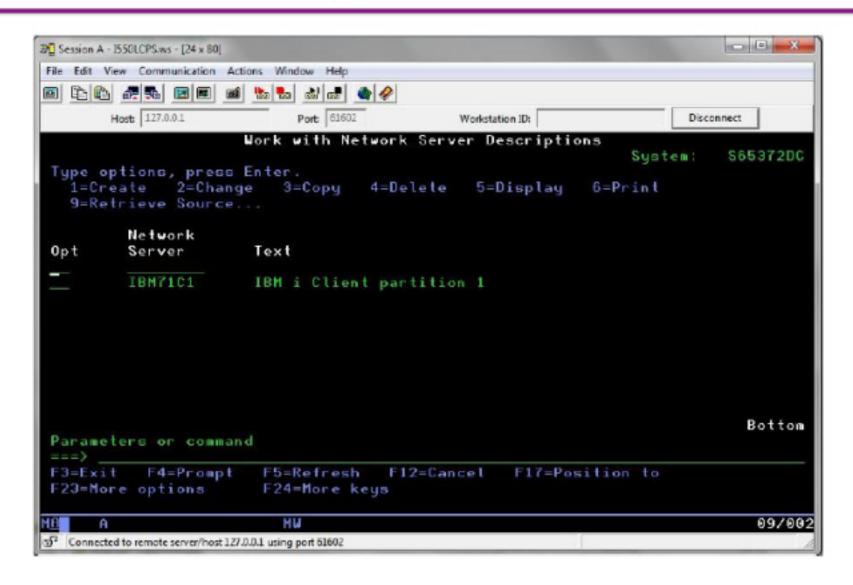
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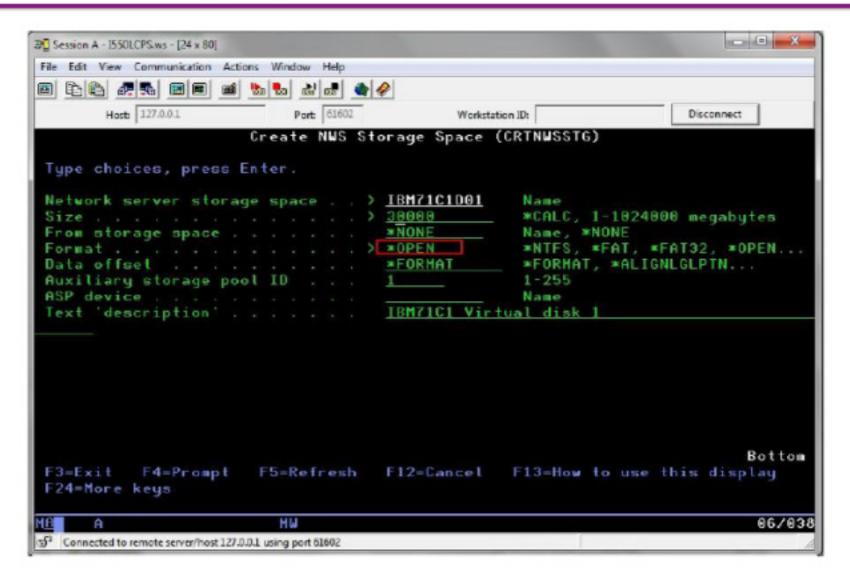
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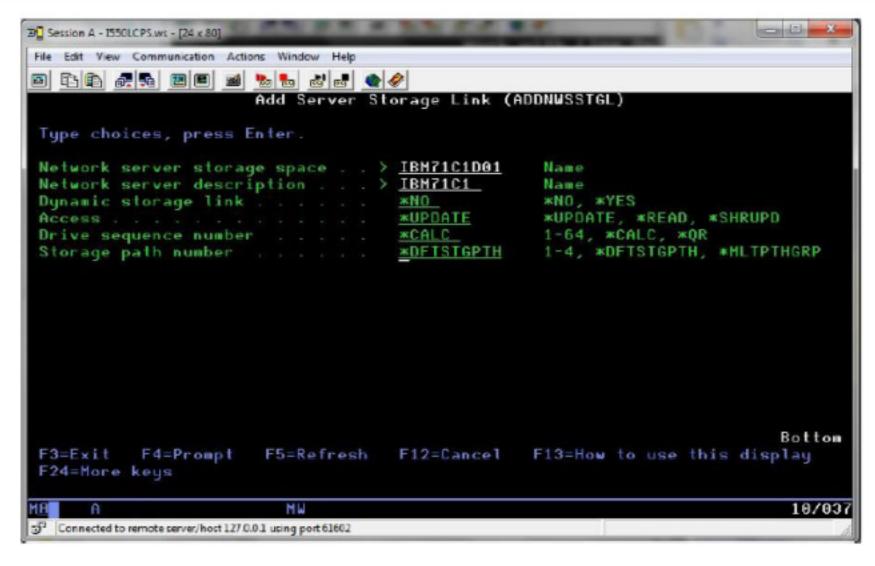
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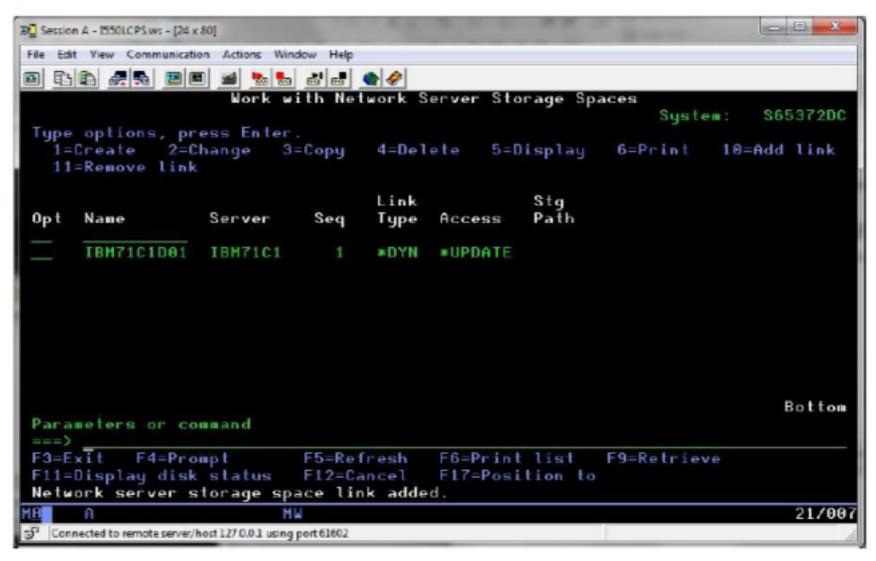
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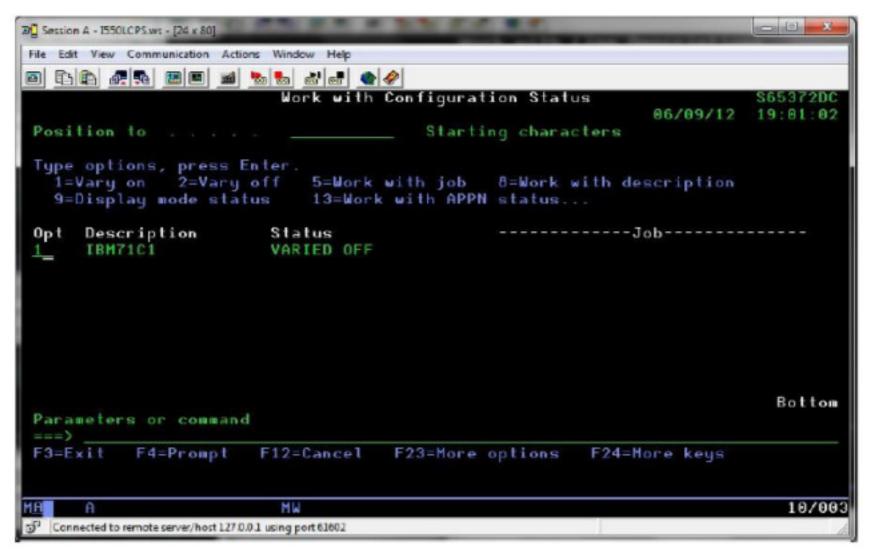
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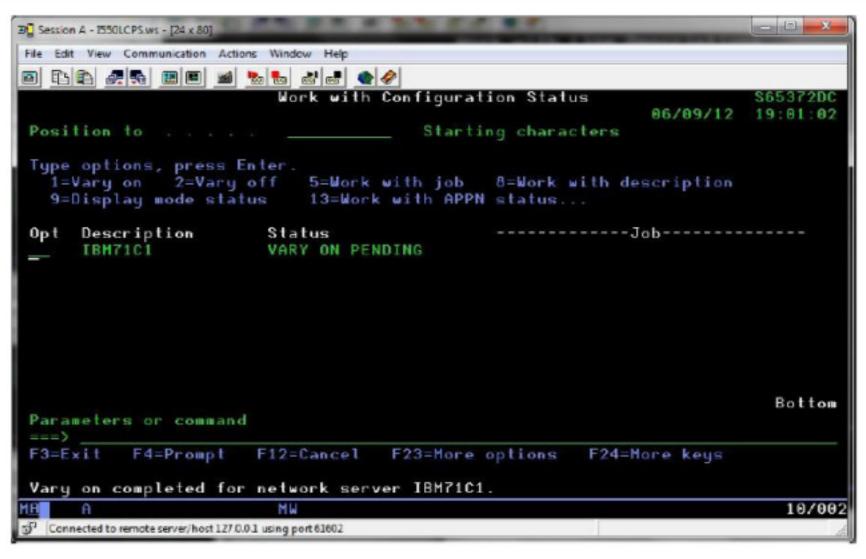
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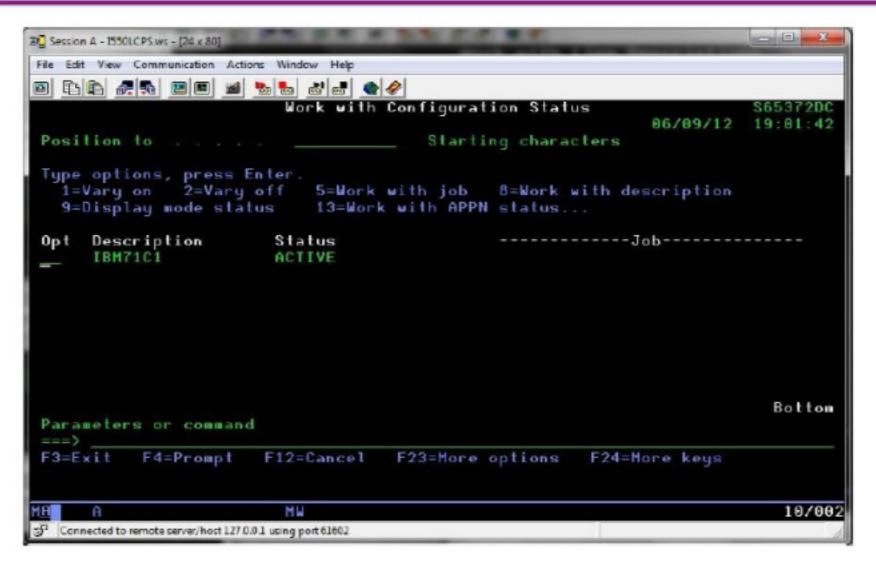
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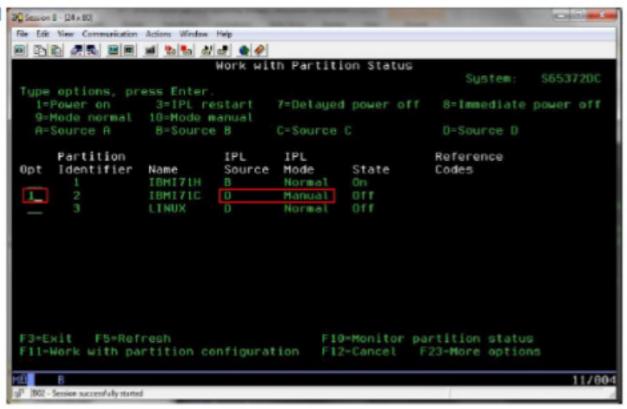






Next you need to activate the partition

- From the SST go to VPM:
 - 5. Work with system partitions
 - 2. Work with partition status
 - Verify IPL source: D
 - Verify IPL Mode: Manual (20) Session 8 (24 x 80)
 - Option 1 to activate







Next you need to activate the partition (2)

- The partition will begin initialization. The hosting partition will present the virtual optical device or devices and if a real optical drive is assigned to the hosting partition it will be presented as well.
- The client partition will locate a valid install or bootable media from any of the optical devices it finds on the VSCSI connection.
- The rest of the install proceeds as normal, client partition will prompt for 'next media'. Go
 to the host partition and 'mount' the next media or virtual media image.
- Start your Operations Console LAN and connect to the IBM i Client LPAR.
 (Note: When configuring LAN console, the Target partition value reflects the Partition Identifier value.)
- IBM i 7.3 requires IBM Access Client Solution (ACS) LAN Console
 - the old IBM i Access 7.1 for Windows LAN Console will not work after initial D-IPL



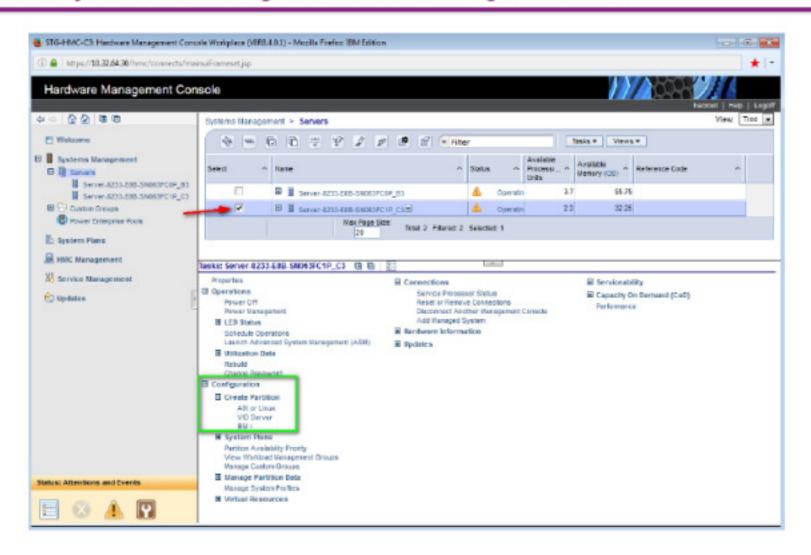


HMC Partition Creation (Classic GUI)





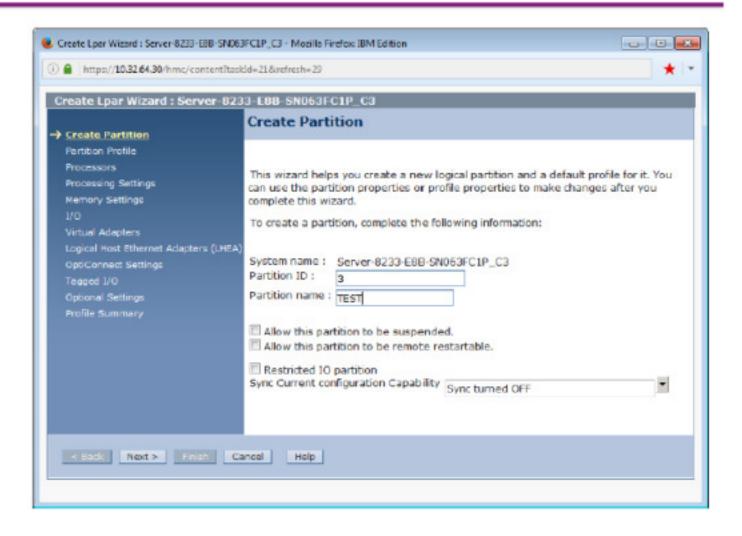
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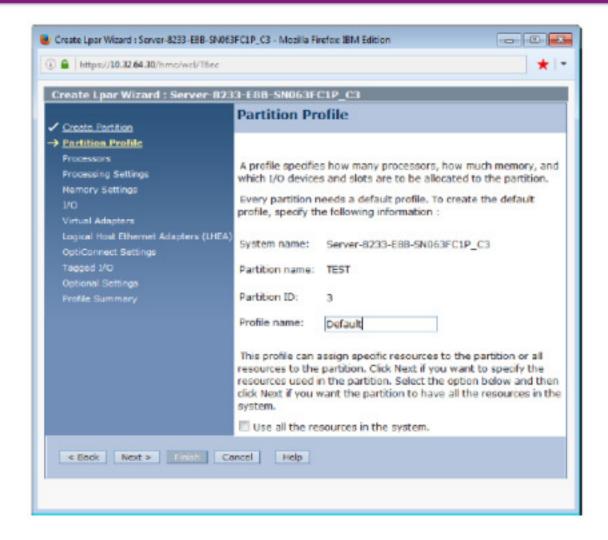
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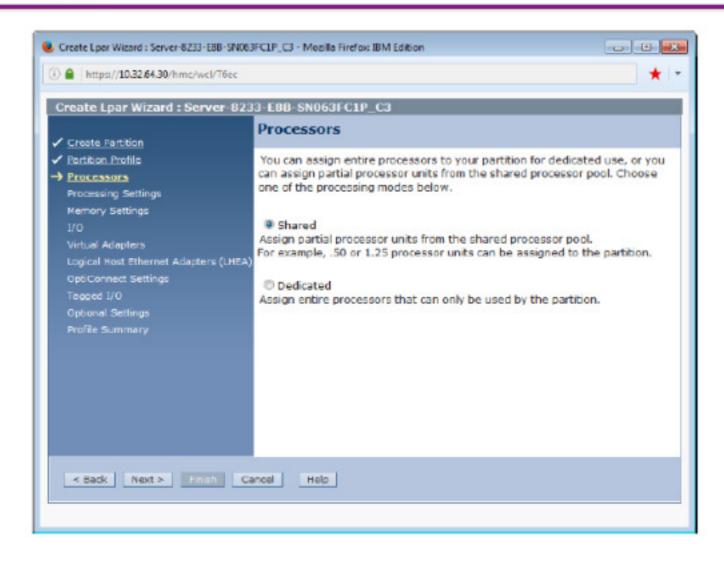
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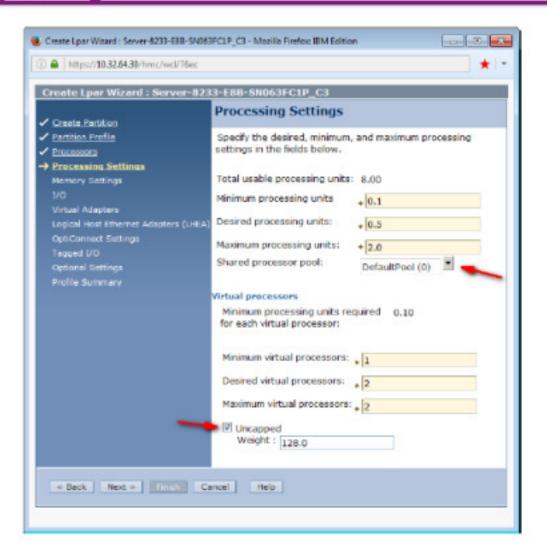
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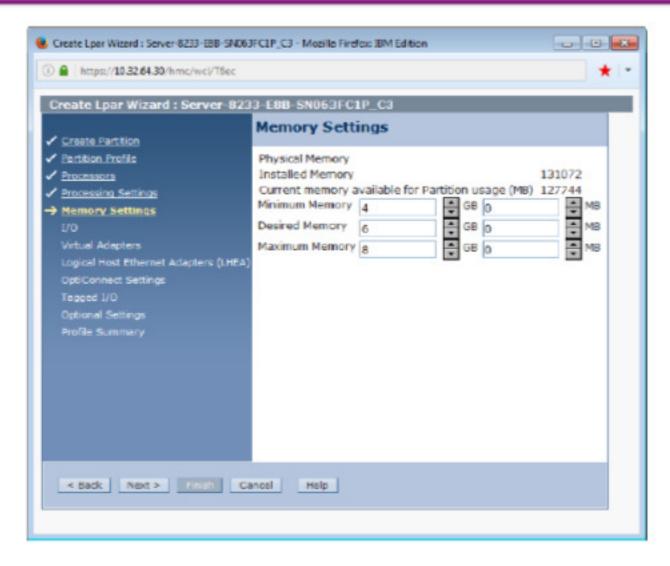
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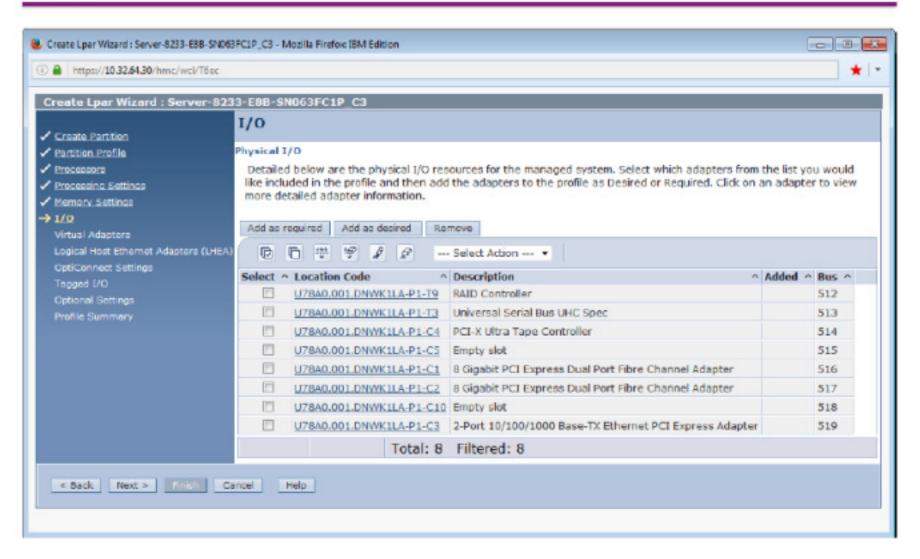
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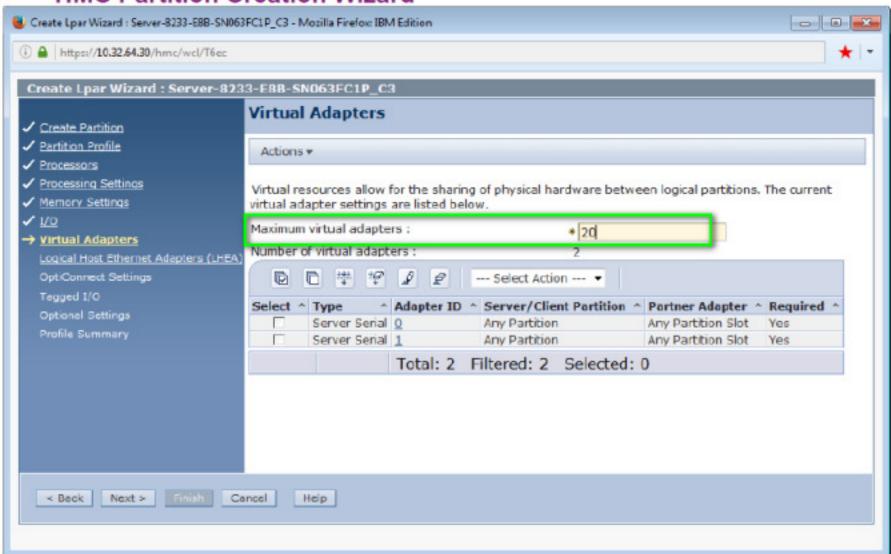


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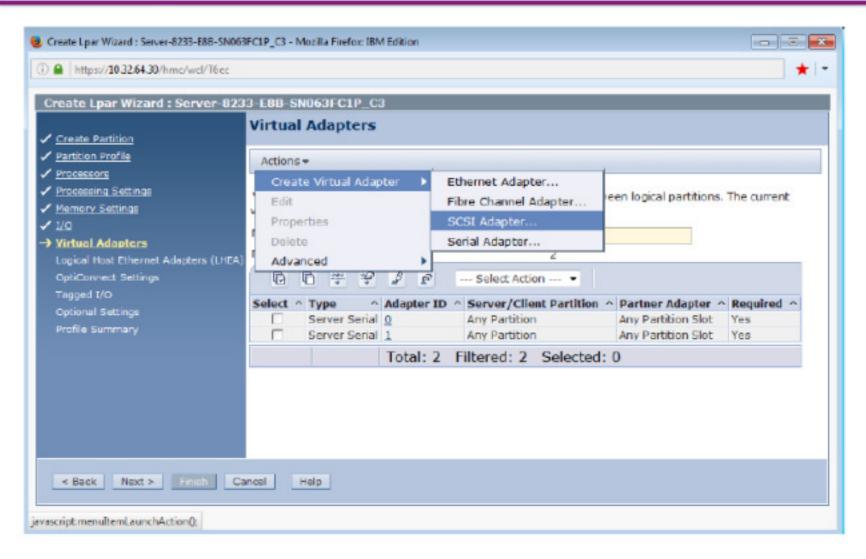








HMC Partition Creation Wizard - Virtual Adapters







HMC Partition Creation Wizard - Virtual Adapters

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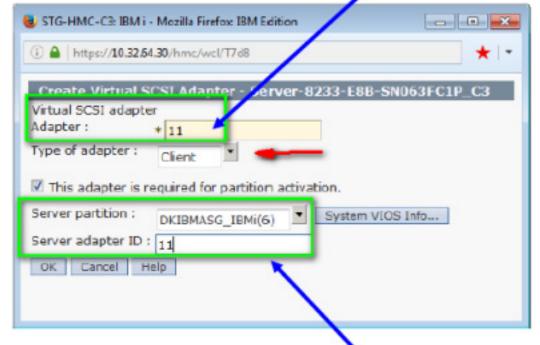
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Must match the number configured for the Server SCSI Adapter in the Host Ipar pointing to the Client adapter

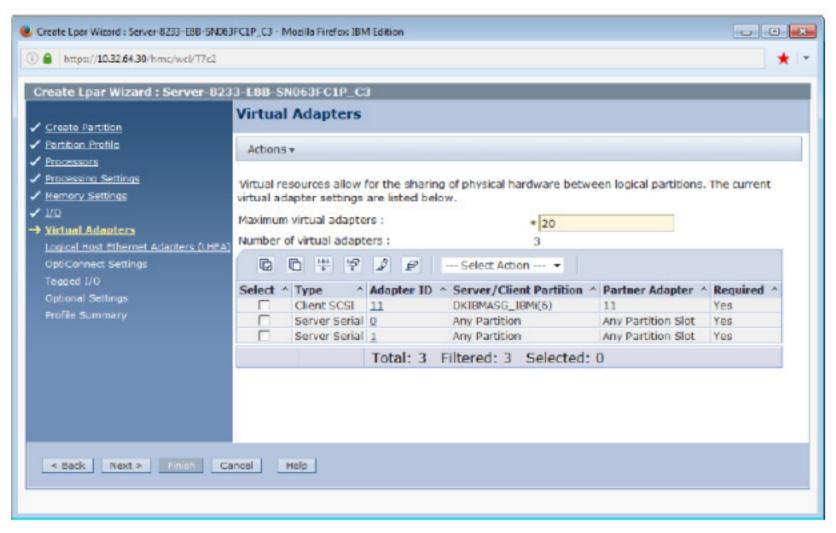


Must match the number of the Hosting Server SCSI Adapter





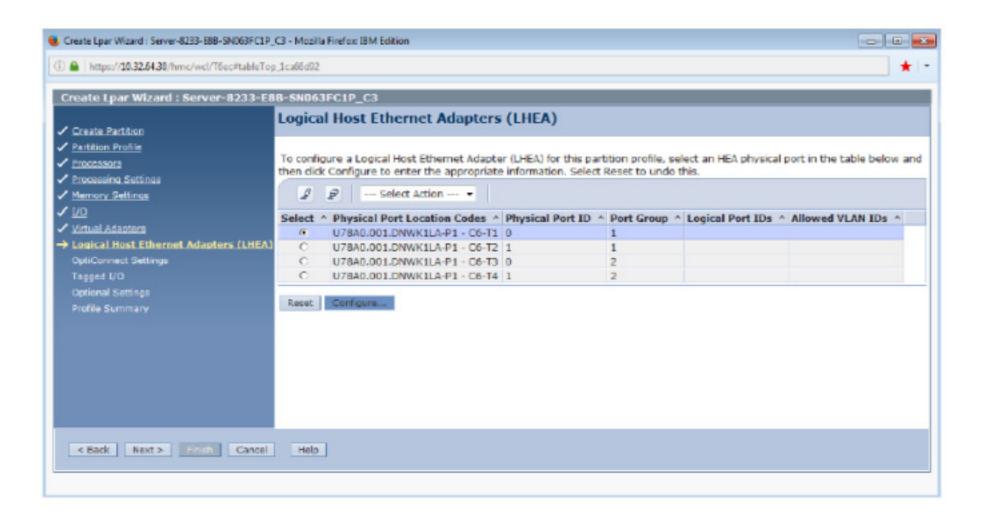
HMC Partition Creation Wizard - Virtual Adapters – inclusive new adapter







HMC Partition Creation Wizard - Logical Host Ethernet adapter

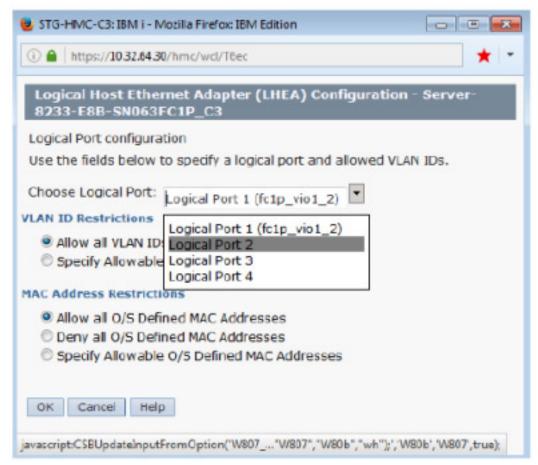






IBM i client partition creation – LHEA config

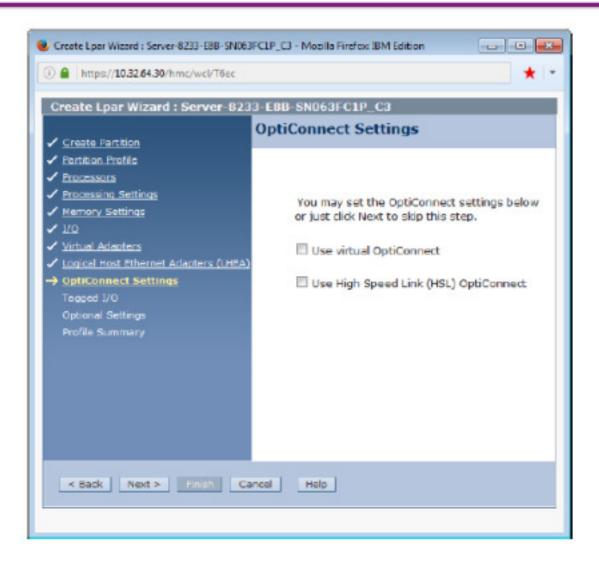
- Select available logical port
- 1 LHEA per physical HEA per LPAR is allowed
- Additional LHEAs per physical port can be enabled in the managed system's properties







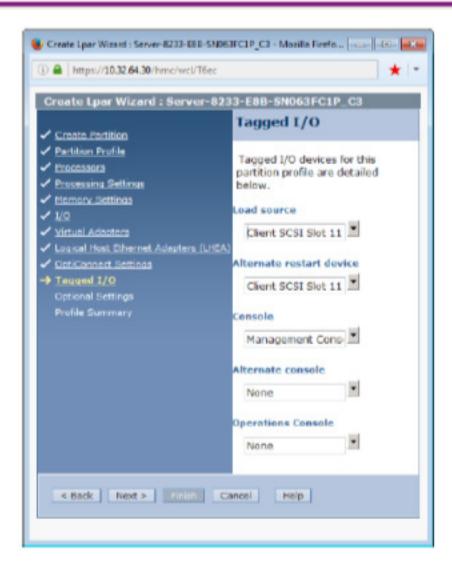
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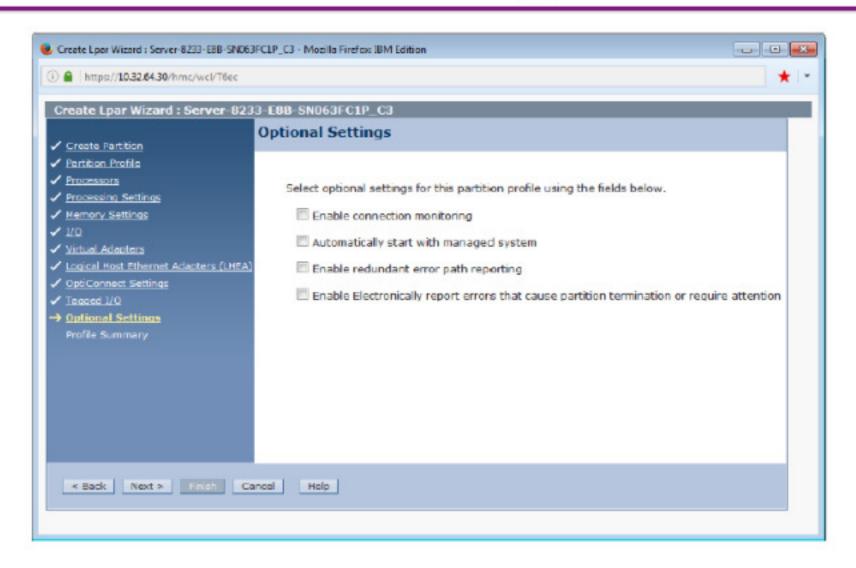
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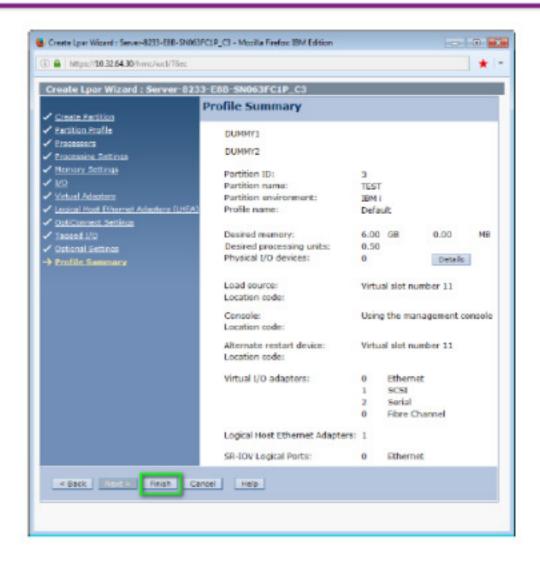
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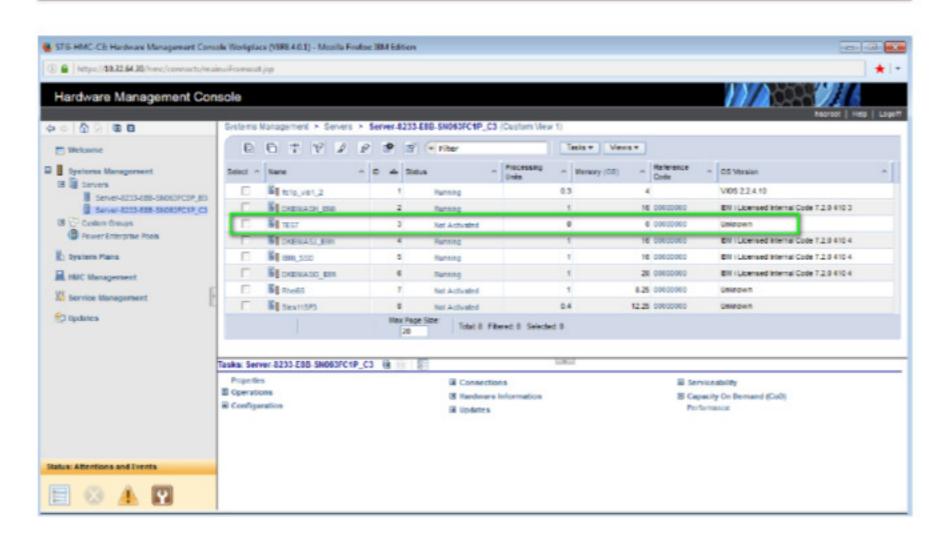
HMC Partition Creation Wizard - Profile Summary





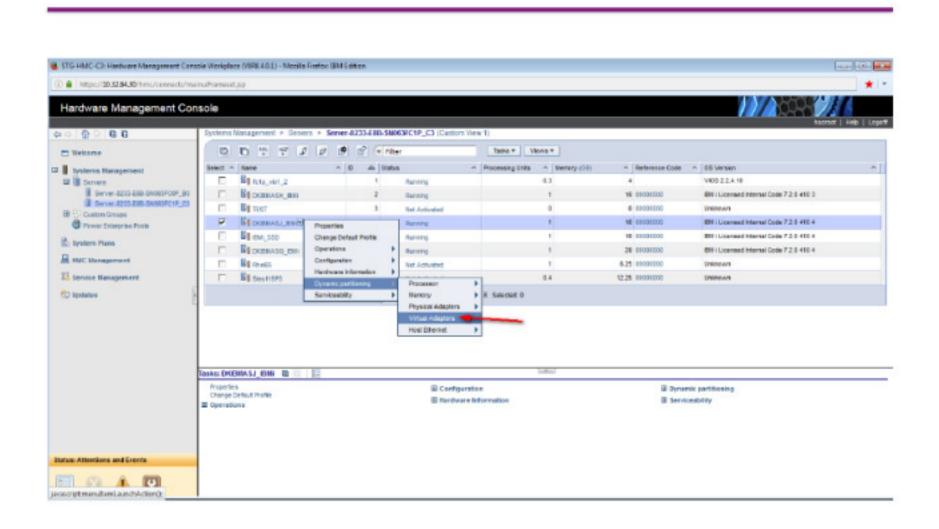


HMC Partition Creation - Result







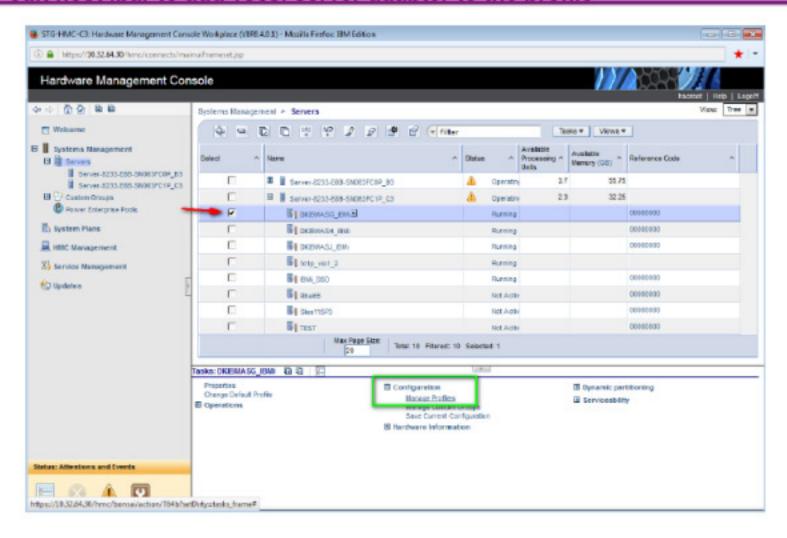






HMC Partition Creation

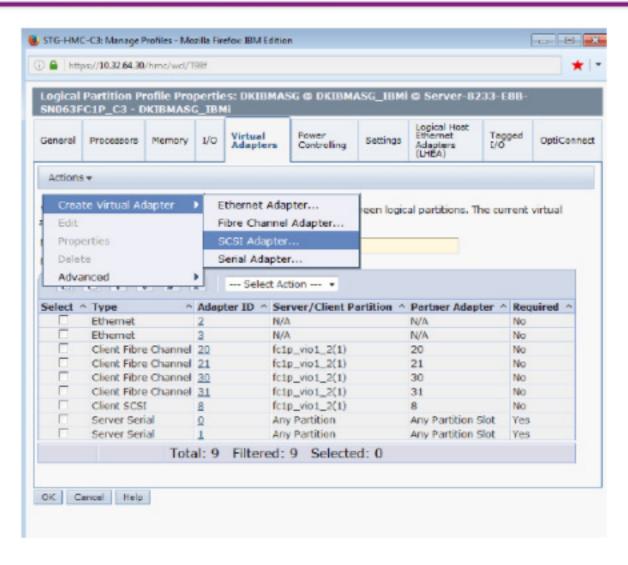
- edit host lpar to add vscsi server adapter to the profile







HMC Partition Creation - Virtual SCSI for the Host Partition

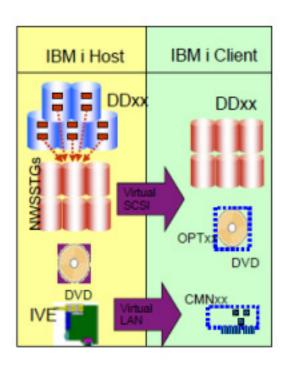


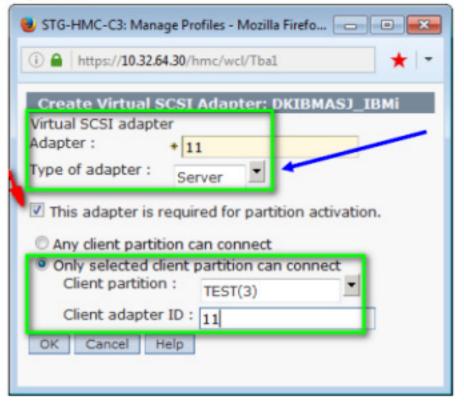




Using a HMC to create your virtual environment Virtual Server SCSI

- Navigate to Systems Management Servers
- Select the IBM i Host partition.
- Select Configuration Manage profiles Edit the profile and click Virtual Adapters tab
- Select Actions Create SCSI Adapter...

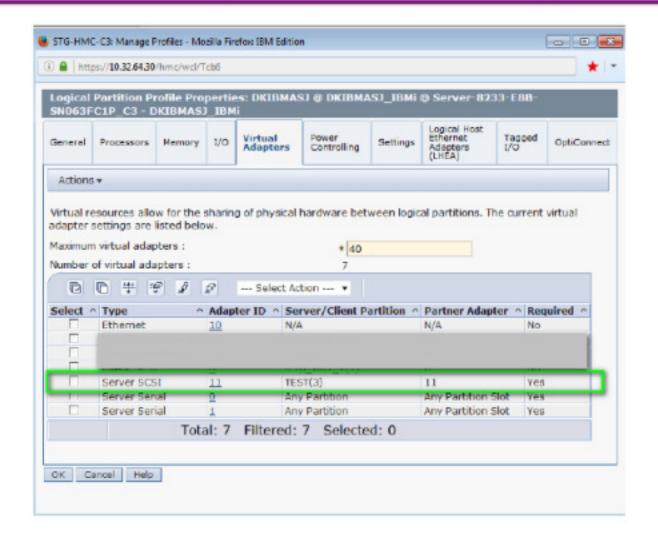








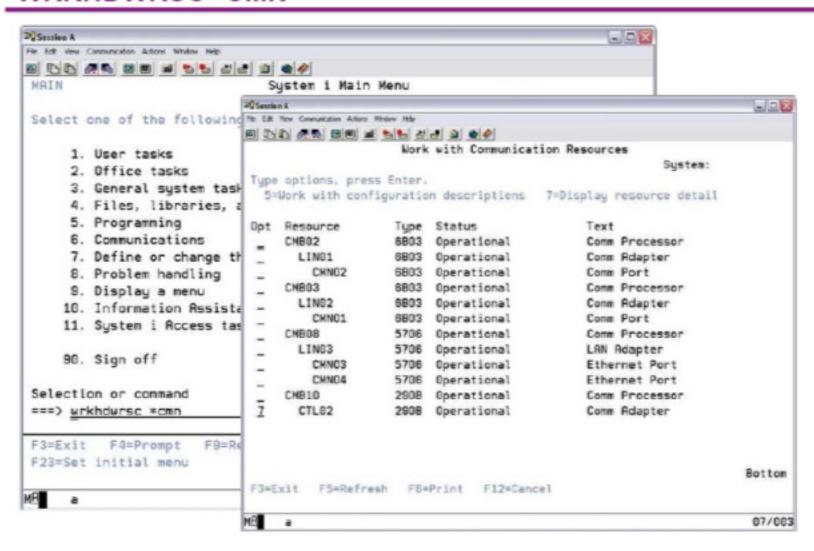
Using a HMC to create your virtual environment Add Virtual SCSI Server adapter to partition profile to stay permanent







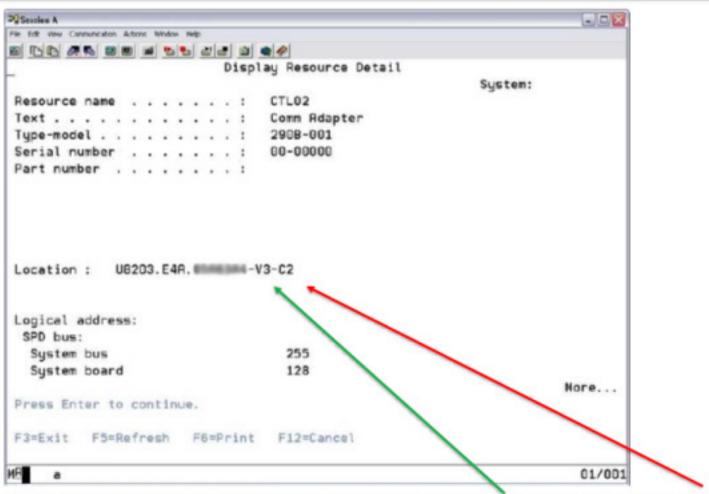
Using a HMC to create your virtual environment WRKHDWRSC *CMN







Using a HMC to create your virtual environment WRKDHWRSC – Resource Detail



In this example we have added a vscsi adaper to lpar with id 3 (V3) in virtual slot 2 (C2)





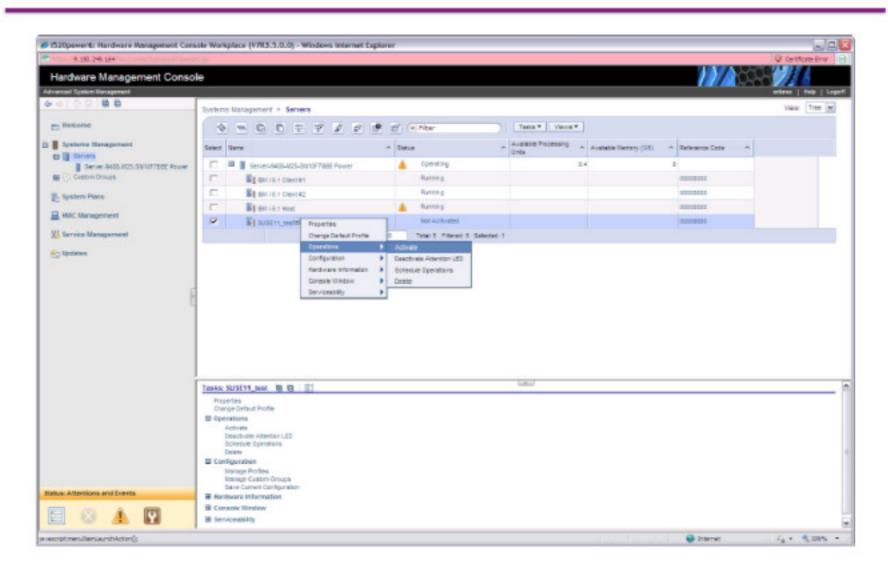
Next you need to activate the partition

- From the HMC Server management tab
 - Select Activate
 - Select Advanced Options
 - Set IPL source to D
 - Set IPL Mode to Manual
 - The partition will begin initialization. The hosting partition will present the virtual optical device or devices and if a real optical drive is assigned to the hosting partition it will be presented as well.
 - The client partition will locate a valid install or bootable media from any of the optical devices it finds on the VSCSI connection.
 - The rest of the install proceeds as normal, client partition will prompt for 'next media'. Go to the host partition and 'mount' the next media or virtual media image.





HMC Partition - Start







Install IBM i using virtual optical or real media

- The client partition will see all optical devices presented by the server partition.
- This includes any physical or virtual optical devices owned by the IBM i server partition.
- The client will not see any difference between virtual or physical.





Optionally - Create optical virtual image catalog

- Cannot use iNav or IBM System Director Navigator for IBM i
- Install media can be virtualized

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Create Image Catalog (CRTIMGCLG)
Tupe choices, press Enter.
                                  > V6R1INSTAL
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Create directory . . . . . . .
                                                   *YES, *NO
                                    *YES
Import image catalog . . . . .
                                                   *NO, *YES
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Catalog ASP threshold
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                                                   1-99, *CALC, *MAX
Add virtual volumes . . . . .
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F3=E×it
          F4=Prompt
                       F5=Refresh
                                    F10=Additional parameters
                                                                  F12=Cancel
F13=How to use this display
                                    F24=More keys
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Backups for IBM i Clients

- For full-system backup, the client storage spaces can be saved on the host IBM i partition
 - Similar to AIX, Linux client partitions and iSCSI integrated servers with Windows or Vmware => ideal for disaster recovery
 - File-level backup is not supported
 - Storage spaces can be restored on another IBM i host
 - Storage spaces can be located in IASP, Flash Copy can be used on IASP

You can use the following command to save a specific NWSSTG-obj: SAV DEV('/QSYS.LIB/TAP0x.DEVD') OBJ(('/QFPNWSSTG/virtual_disk_name'))

The accompanying restore command to restore a specific NWSSTG-obj is: RST DEV('/QSYS.LIB/TAP0x.DEVD')
OBJ(('/QFPNWSSTG/virtual_disk_name'))





Things to consider (HMC based)

- Recommend to use IBM i 7.2 or 7.3 in host lpar, with latest PTF level.
- Client Virtual Tape
 - Tape library drives can only be virtualized when configured as a stand-alone device, they are not supported while in library mode
- Considerations on number of storage spaces (virtual disks)
 - An even number, minimum 6, but leaving room for growth up to:
 - 16 with 6.1 & 7.1 up to TR7
 - 32 with 7.1 TR8, 7.2 & 7.3
 - Storage spaces should be same size for performance reasons
- Considerations on single or multiple virtual SCSI adapter pairs
 - Needed if more the 16 / 32 virtual disks
- Considerations on single or multiple disk pools (ASPs) in host lpars
 - Multiple diskpools if many IO intensive IBM i client lpars
- IBM i host vs. VIOS:
 - External storage (other than IBM DS8x00 and IBM Storwize)
 - Skills!
 - Advanced virtualization functions like:
 - Active Memory Sharing, Suspend/Resume, Live Partition Mobility





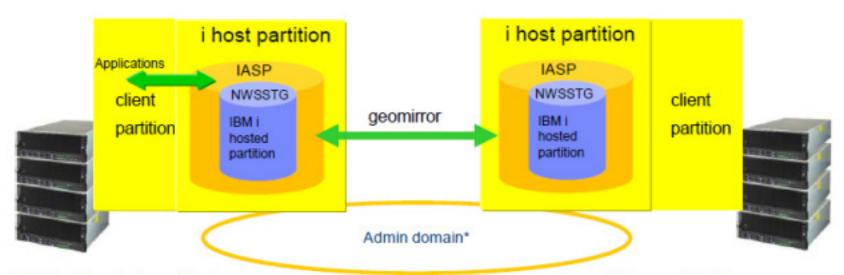
Additional things to consider with VPM based.

- VPM limitations vs. HMC
 - Only virtual IO
 - No dynamic movement of resources
 - Processor can run in uncapped mode.
 - Maximum 4 client lpars
 - If later switch to HMC recreation of the lpar definitions are required!
 However NO reinstall of the OS are req. The virtual disks are unchanged.
- Remember to keep HTTP group PTF up to date if using VPM GUI.





PowerHA – geomirroring – i hosting i remote partition restart for DR



- IBM i client placed into a network storage space which is placed into an IASP
- Guest and host partition must be shut down before remote host and client can be restarted
- Benefit: easy to set up (in production world wide today, Express Edition not required)
- Limitation: no heart beating, can't do concurrent OS upgrades
- Unplanned failover requires an abnormal IPL of target

* Admin Domain on host is optional





Where Do I Start with Installing IBM I hosting clients on Power system?

HMC based



IBM i Virtualization and Open Storage (read-me first)

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Same guide Describes VIOS hosting IBM i clients





This "read-rise first" paper provides detailed instructions on using ISM1 6.1/7.1 virtualization and connecting open storage to ISM1. It provides information on the prerequisites, supported hardware and software, planning considerations, install and post-install tasks such as backups. The paper also contains talks to many additional information sources.

I want to thank our reviewers for their assistance: Wayne Holm, Collin Deviloles, Jyoti Dodhia, Janus Hertz, Peter Cross, Dave Murray, Vess Notchev and Tom Grigoleit.

Latest version at:

http://www.ibm.com/systems/resources/systems_i_Virtualization_Open_Storage.pdf



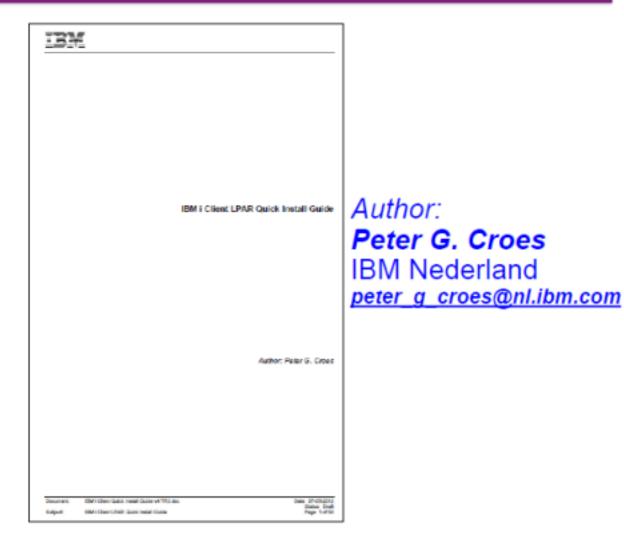




IBM i Client LPAR Quick Install Guide

Cover both VPM & HMC based Setups.

To get copy send email to Peter Croes







More information – IBM i

- IBM i Information Center IBM i client partition considerations
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/ssw_ibm_i_71/rzahc/rzahcblade5osvirtualpartitionsoverview.htm
- Technote: Cross-Referencing (Device Mapping) IBM i Disks with VIOS Disks:
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=nas8N1013791
- Technote: Creating IBM i Client Partitions Using Virtual Partition Manager (VPM 5250):
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=nas8N1011358





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Creating IBM i Client Partitions Using Virtual Partition Manager

Introduction

This IBMS Peopager⁵⁶ provides steps, considerations, limitations, and links to information regarding the creation of IBM i Clean Partitions using the third generation of Virtual Partition Manager (VPM).

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