



HP's UNIX Patch Strategy: Moving from Tru64 to HP-UX



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Agenda







Industry Wide Software Patching

Industry Wide Customer Patching Practices



Customer behavior varies greatly

- Some install changes suggested by vendor
- •Others avoid any changes (except fixes to bugs they have reported)
- Many prefer to make their own decisions about which releases and upgrades they adopt

Typical to install a patch tentatively to analyze impact before committing as permanent part of OS

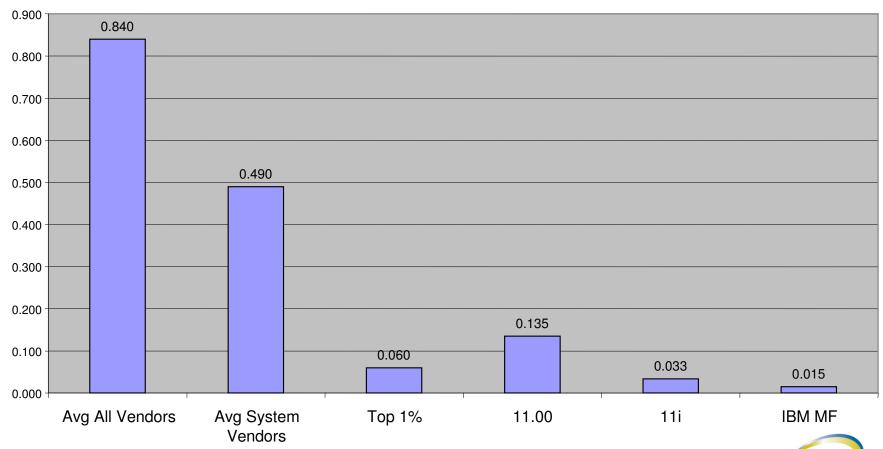


Industry Wide - Best in Class Defect Density



11i has 23.5K Function Pts, compared to industry data for 10K

Delivered Defects/Function Point

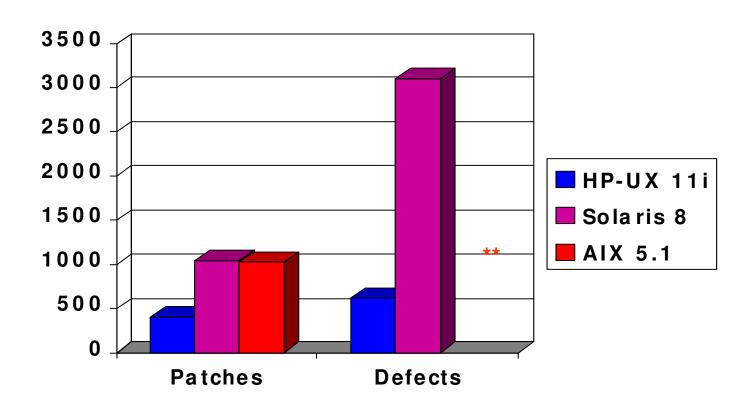


Applied Software Measurement, 2nd Edition, Capers Jones





HP-UX 11i versus Solaris 8, AIX 5.1 First 15 months of shipments



** Could not get AIX 5.1 defect data





HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview



"The patch-management field has been a conservative one, slow to change. D.H. Brown Associates, Inc. (DHBA) believes that innovation of the kind described here is long overdue."

White Paper: HP Improves Patch Management to Reduce System Downtime

D.H. Brown Associates, Inc., March 2000



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HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview

How did HP-UX get there?





HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview Customer Patch Requirements

Minimize down time for patch operations

To provide the most stable environment possible, I want to choose exactly patches I apply.

Particularly in the kernel and other sensitive areas, keep patches small.

Patches should only be fixes to defects, not enhancements.



But keep patch management simple – I don't want to spend a lot of time here.

Provide me with tools to manage multiple systems – track what is installed, install a golden image on multiple systems, etc.





HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview Key Improvements

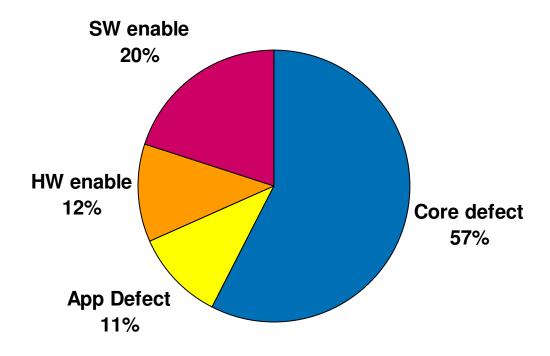


- 1. Label Patches with our confidence rating 1,2 or 3
 - Rating 1 has gone through all labs tests
 - Rating 2 has significant customer exposure (60% fewer warnings)
 - Rating 3 has passed our system tests (80% fewer warnings)
- 2. Keep patches as small as possible, but they must be cumulative from the last patch.
- Use bundles to simplify proactive patch management -QPK
- Enhancements can only be delivered in patches if they enable new hardware or add compatible minor features.

HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview Types of HP-UX 11iv1 Patches



32% Deliver Enhancements



Software enablement includes IPV6, Virtual partitions, Processor Sets, Interrupt Migration, and Compressed Dump

Contents of SWPack, and Support Plus – 421 total patches



HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview Key Improvements



- Provide more robust patch management tools and processes
 - IT Resource Center (ITRC)
 - Recommendations based upon patch ratings
 - Complete dependency management
 - New patch assessment capability
 - "Ideal system" concept
 - incorporation of patch sets
 - combination of internal and external tools
 - removal of entitlement requirement
 - "HP Live" access to patch support experts
 - Mission Critical Software Change Management (MCSCM)



HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview Reactive and Proactive Patching



Reactive Patching

Solve an existing problem

Timeliness: Highest priorityReliability: Fix it the first time

- Change: Minimize

Risk: Fast delivery of fix may compromise testing

Find the **Best** patch to fix the problem, as quickly as possible.

Proactive Patching

Preventive maintenance

- Reliability: Highest priority. Use only most stable tested patches
- Timeliness: Periodic activity, planned in advance, time allotted for testing
- Change: Understand and evaluate
- Risk: Larger changes introduce greater risk, however, risk is reduced by more testing.

Choose a period for proactive patching.
Use standard HP recommended sources.

Timeliness vs. Risk



HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview Summary



- HP Patch strategy allows many options
 - Small patches in most sensitive areas for reactive patching
 - Patch bundles for proactive patching
 - Customer choice on how frequently to patch and what to patch
 - Levels of confidence in patches (lower risk) based on customer usage and HP testing.
 - Proactive notification of any problem patches, but most customers remove very few of them.







HP UNIX patching comparison Scope



Tru64

Core (OS) patches

HP-UX

Core patches

Application patches



HP UNIX patching comparison Individual patches



Tru64

CSP (Customer Specific Patch)

No equivalent

ERP (Early Release Patch) patches are equivalent to GR at levels 2 & 3.

HP-UX

Site Specific

GR0 (controlled release)

GR (General Release) patches at level 1-3

- 1 Initial release
- 2 Widely distributed & used
- 3 Greatest amount of testing





Patch Installation SW Package Installer

Tru64

dupatch

- Install and remove all or selected patches (-install, delete)
- View the patch-specific documentation (-help)
- View patch tracking information (-track)
- Establish a baseline for systems that have had manually installed system files placed on them
- No equivalent to adding patches to a depot

HP-UX

SD – SW Distributor

- Install and remove selected patches (swinstall, swremove)
- No equivalent to view patch specific documentation
- View patch tracking information (swlist)
- No equivalent to establish a baseline
- Adding patches to a depot (swcopy)
- Network support



Patch Installation

Install and remove all or selected patches.

Tru64

dupatch

- Cluster aware
- Patch applicability
- Patch dependencies
- Patch removal, rollback
- System inventory changes for patches
- Capturing patch activities in log files

HP-UX

SD – SW Distributor

- No knowledge of clusters
- Patch applicability
- Patch dependencies (11.11)
- Patch removal, rollback
- System inventory changes for patches
- Capturing patch activities in log files
- Combined product patch installs





Patch Installation Viewing the Patch Documentation

Tru64

Select the Patch Documentation item of the main menu, dupatch displays:

- Problem summaries
- Full descriptions
- Special Instructions
- Report identifiers
- Revision control strings

HP-UX

- 1. Retrieve individual patches using ITRC, it displays:
 - One line description
 - Symptoms
 - Defect description
 - Patch files
 - Special Installation Instructions
 - Other information fields for
 - Analysis
 - Selection
 - Some patch documentation in the ITRC can be updated after the patch is released.
- 2. Swlist (SD) can view the original, embedded patch documentation 2004



Patch Installation

Cold Install Options

Tru64

- Remote installation service (RIS)
 - curses (text menu)
 - pull only
 - not integrated with cloning
- Install GUI interface
 - 1. Collection of command line, RIS, and sysmon sub-menus

HP-UX

- Ignite-UX
 - graphical & command line
 - push or pull
 - designed for cloning
- Install GUI interface
 - 1. Ignite-ux
 - Integrated with SD





Patch Installation

SW cloning model

Tru64

Installation cloning

 Can create definition text files to be read by installation engine to customize the system being installed

HP-UX

Ignite-UX server "config files"

 Allows definition of configuration options to be set as well as software components to be loaded on client

Golden image/OS archive

 Mechanism to create a tar ball of a system's installation image for re-installation or cloning



Patch Installation SW Update - Migration

Tru64

Installupdate

Same functions

HP-UX

update-ux

- performs update preparation steps
- executes swinstall
- selection & analysis of sw to load
- SW load & reboot
- Clean up old information





Patch Installation Patch management on clusters

Tru64

- Rolling Patch
- No-Roll Patch

HP-UX

No Equivalent – until11i Version 3





Collections of patches

- 1. Tested together
- 2. Delivered together
- 3. Intended to be installed together





Collections of patches

Tru64

HP-UX

Kits

By base level, for designated OS streams

Defect Fixes

- Inaugural/Aggregate kits
- One kit per supported release
- One milestone CD containing all latest base level kits
- Support for current kit and one back
- Guaranteed 1 year minimum support on 5.1B-1 forward.
- IPK:Inaugural kit released at 6 weeks
- PKn: Aggregate kits released at 4-6 month intervals based upon business need

Bundles

Per OS stream for all currently supported Enterprise releases

Defect Fixes

- QPK (Quality Pack)
- One bundle per OS version
- Share Support Plus CD
- No support restriction on previous bundle version
- First bundle approximately 6 months after release
- Subsequent bundles at 6 month intervals HP WORLD 2004
 Solutions and Technology Conference & Expo



Collections of patches

Tru64

HP-UX

Kits

- New Core SW features
 - No equivalent
- New Hardware
 - NHD (New Hardware Device) for those requiring boot support
- Layered Products by segment
 - APCD (Associated Products CD)
- Layered Products
 - Software Product Library

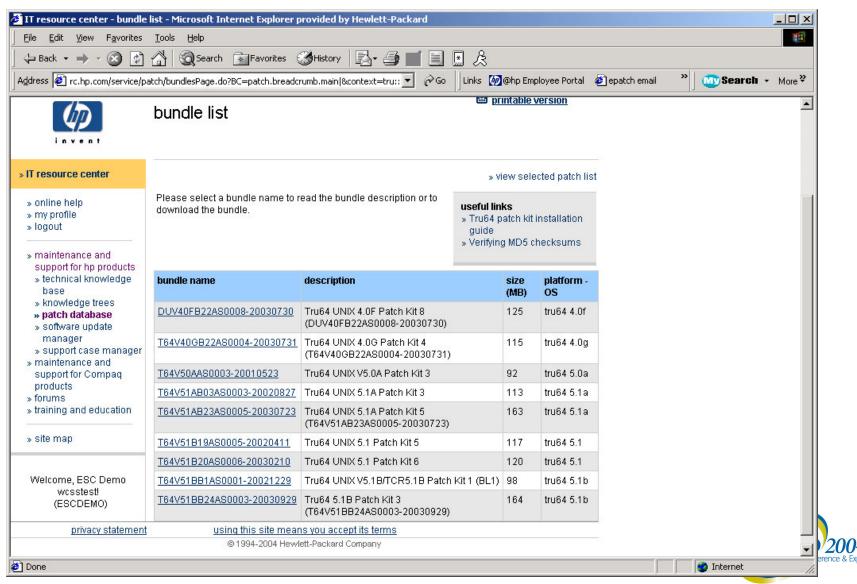
Bundles

- New Core SW features
 - SPK (SW Pack)
- New Hardware
 - HWE (Hardware Enablement)
- Application Products by segment
 - OE (Operating Environment)Products
- Application Products
 - AR (Application Release)



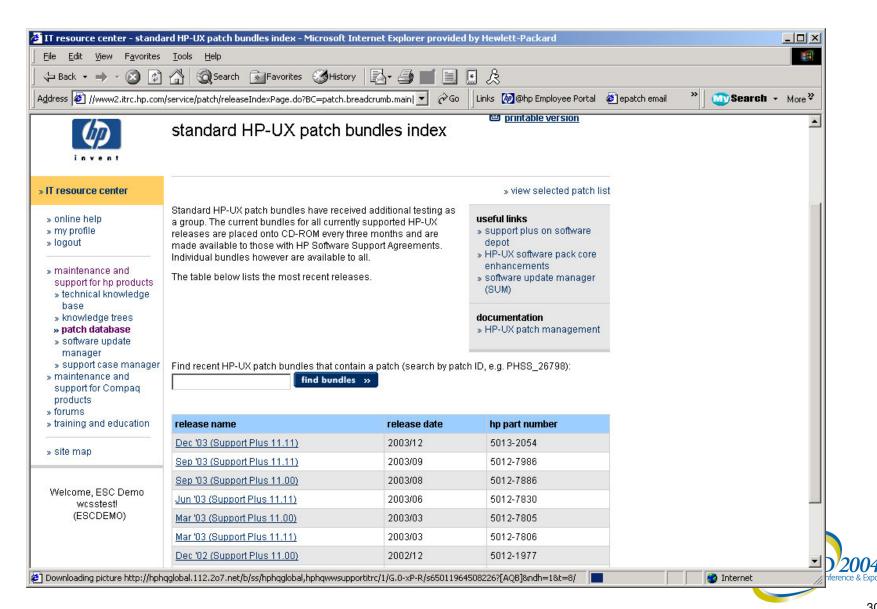


Tru64 – standard kits





HP-UX – standard patch bundles



HP UNIX patching comparison What is Factory Installed?



Tru64

Factory Installed Software (FIS)

- 1. Selected OS version
- Latest NHD
- 3. Latest Aggregate Patch Kit

HP-UX

Factory Ignition (IUX)

- Selected OE
- 2. Latest HWE
- 3. Latest QPK





Web services

Tru64

HP-UX

ITRC

New!

- PatchDB
 - Initially Aggregate patch kits, in the future: NHD's and individual ERPs
- No equivalent CPM

support.compaq.com

- Previously for Aggregate kits
- Has been replaced with ITRC

ITRC

PatchDB (all GR patches)

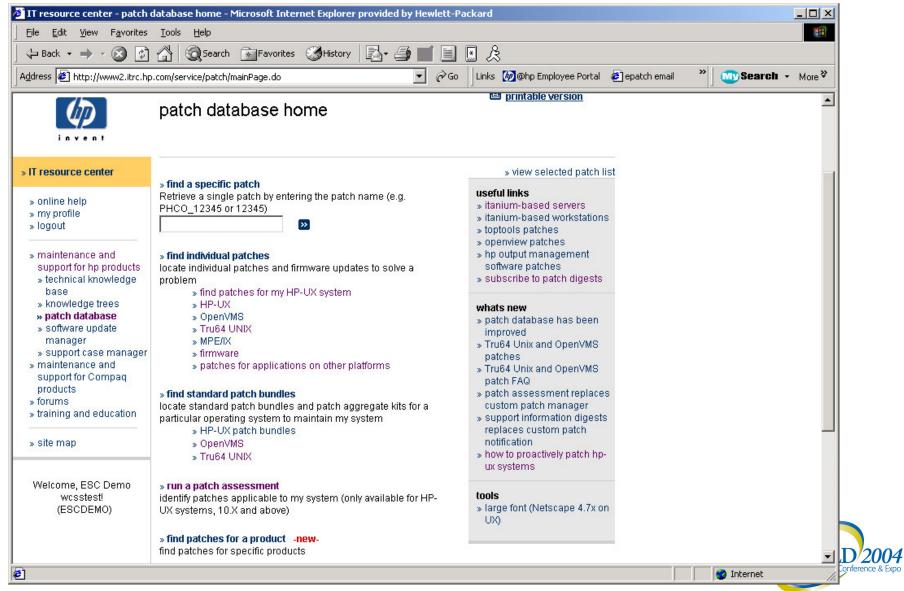
 CPM (Custom Patch Manager), Now Patch Assessment

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Latest version of all bundles

ITRC Patch Database Homepage

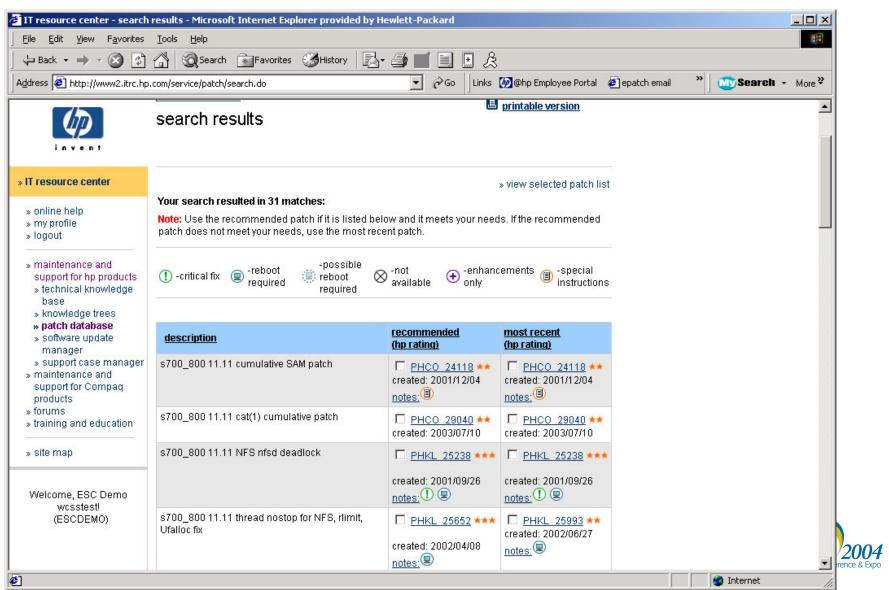




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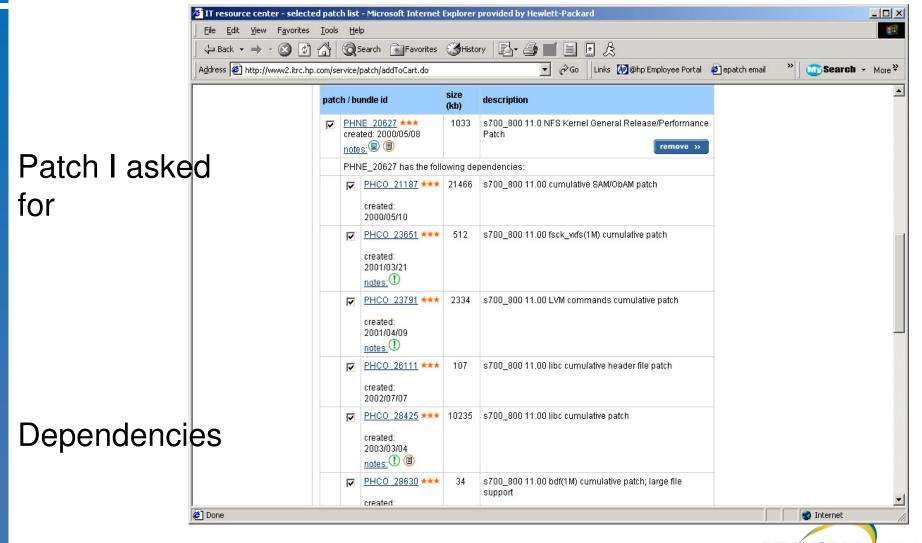


For a specific fix not contained in the bundle – use the ITRC



HP-UX Patch Strategy Overview The ITRC manages dependencies



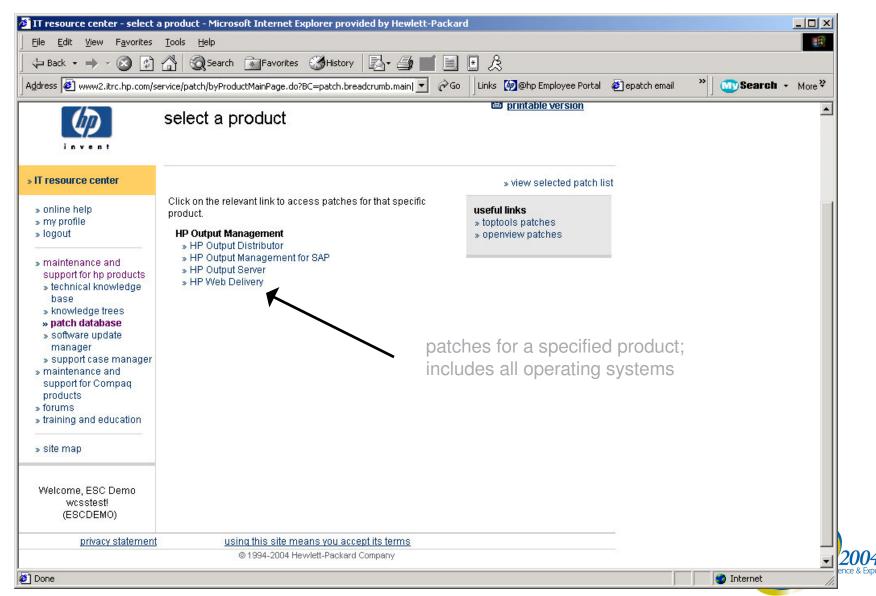


On 11i, the Software Distributor product also will warn when dependencies are not satisfied

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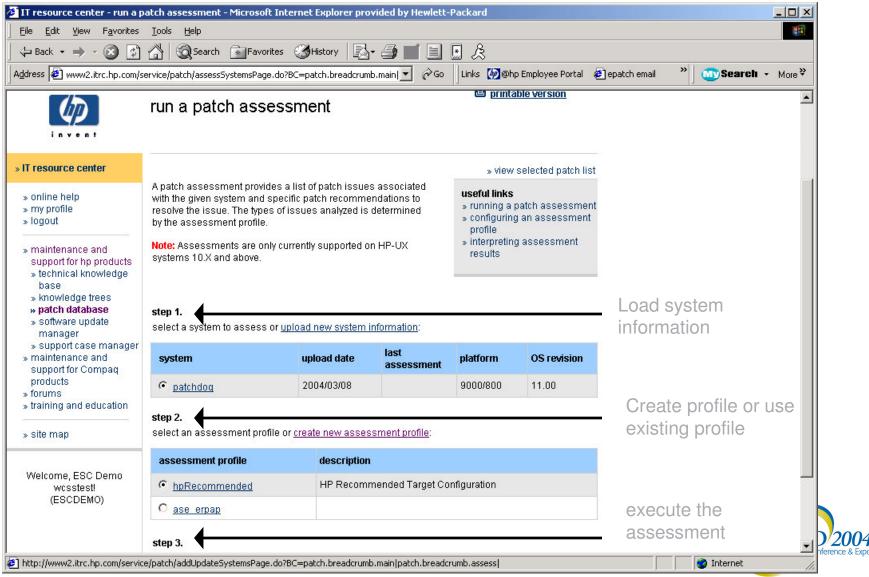
Find patches for a product





HP-UX Patch Assessment

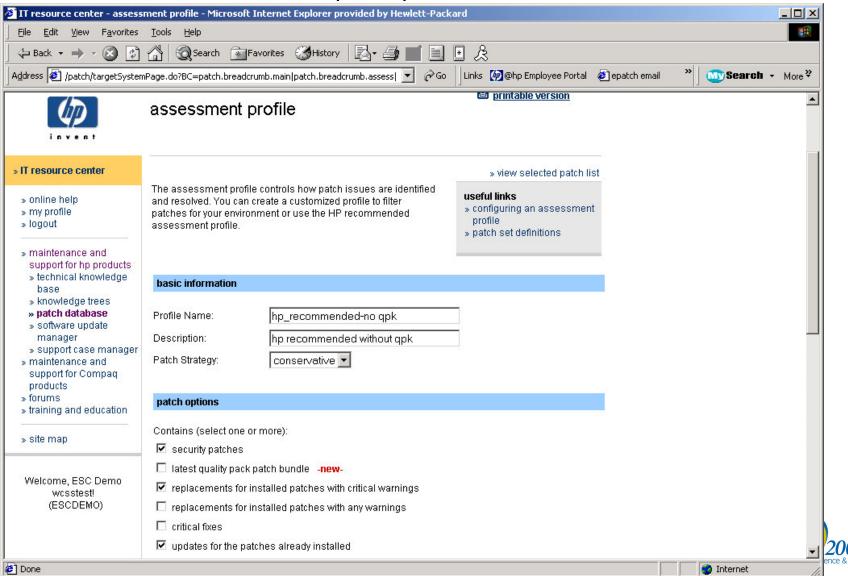




HP-UX Patch Assessment

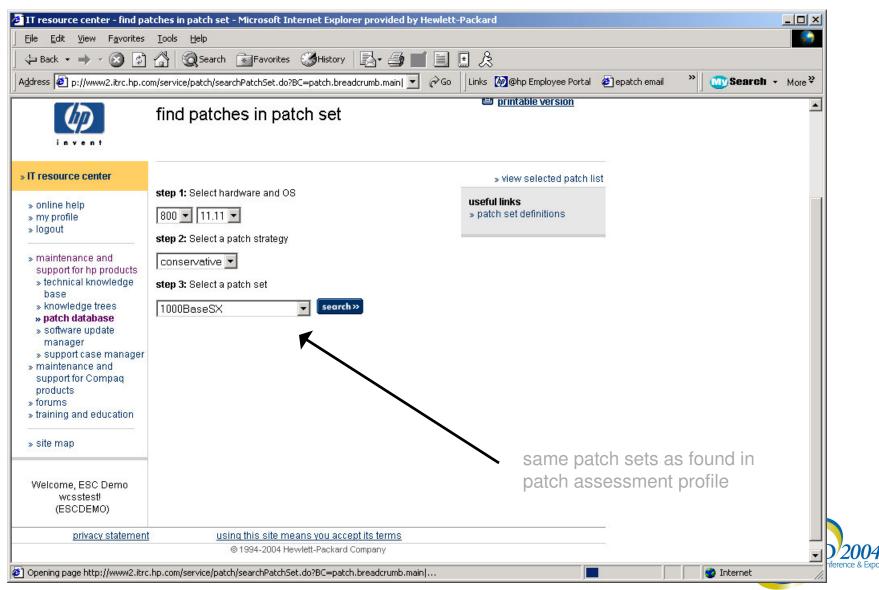


Setup the profile



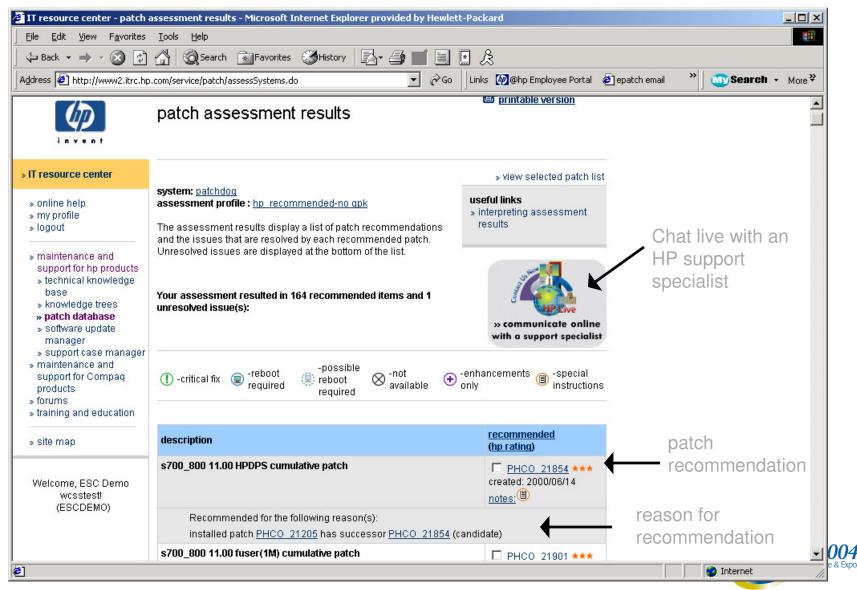


Find HP-UX patches in a patch set



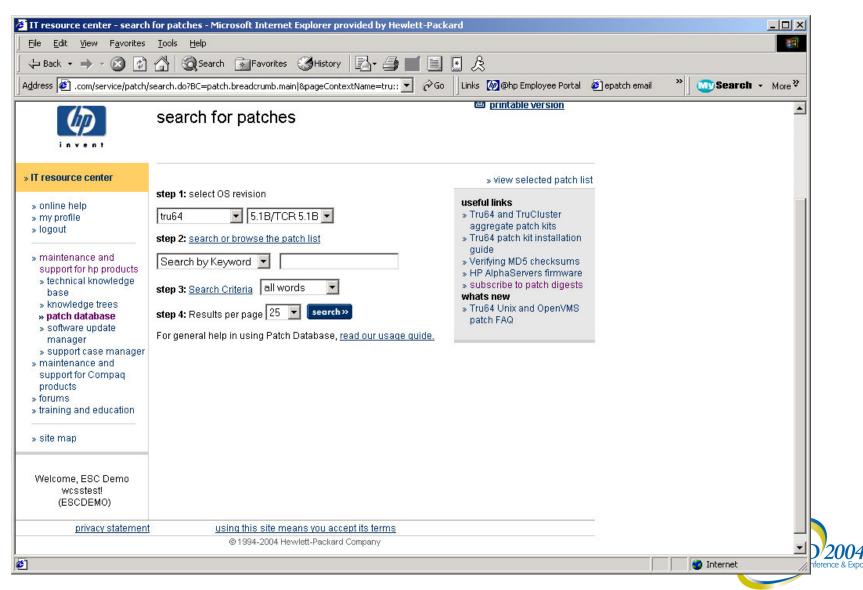
HP-UX Patch Assessment - results





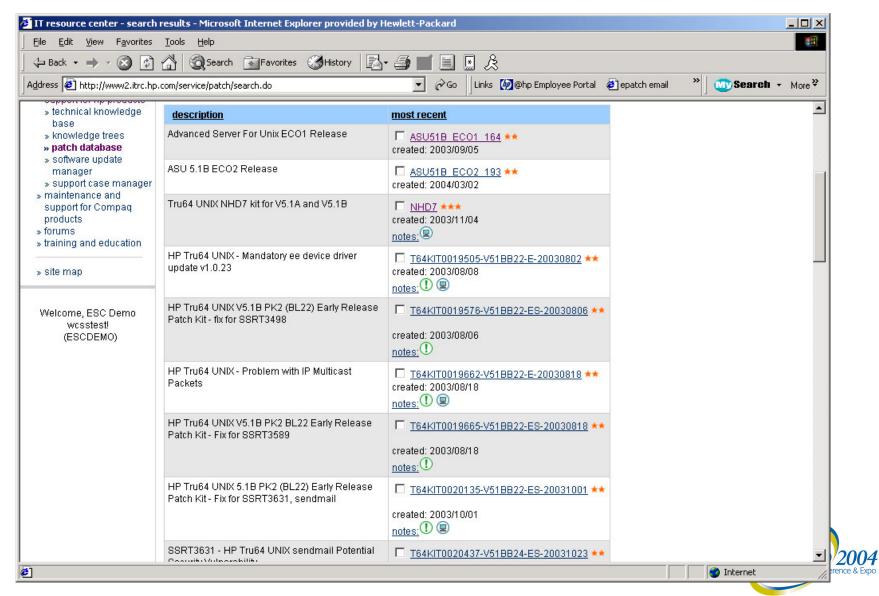
Tru64 Kits/ERPs/NHDs on ITRC





Tru64 – patch browsing





HP UNIX patching comparison



SW Support Guidelines

Tru64

- Patches provided on current kit or 1 back only for releases under standard support
- Guaranteed 1 year minimum support on 5.1B-1 forward
- No specific support level will be required

HP-UX

- All patches are cumulative customers not required to install a minimum supported level of sw to obtain patches
- Specific support level no longer required to access to CPM/Patch HPWORLD 2004 Assessment

HP UNIX patching comparison Tru64 Patch Kit Support Policies



Previous Policy

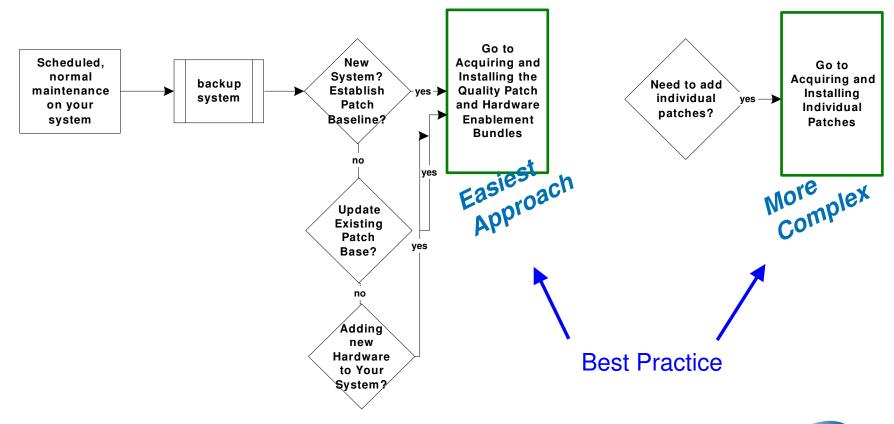
New Policy

- For releases under standard support, Tru64 UNIX Engineering supports the latest patch kit and one (1) back.
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- In addition, starting with V5.1B-1 (Vail) patch kits will be supported for a minimum of one (1) year after their release. Support for the latest patch kit and one (1) back AND the minimum of one (1) year from the time of release are both guarantees for V5.1B patch kits and V5.1-B associated updates (V5.1-B-WORLD 2004 V5.1B-2, etc..) only.

HP's UNIX Patch Strategy



When You do Move to HP-UX What is the Right Approach?



HP's UNIX Patch Strategy Summary



HP has track record of innovation

- Listening to our customers
- Responding with improved solutions







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