Introduction to WfM Component Instrumentation

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Agenda

- What's Instrumentation
- WfM Baseline Instrumentation Requirements
- Delivering Instrumentation
- WfM Instrumentation Information Sources

Demystifying WfM component instrumentation



Definitions

- Desktop Management Interface (DMI)
- Service Provider (SP)
- Management Information Format (MIF)
- Management Interface (MI)
- Component Interface/Instrumentation (CI)
- Management Application (MA)



What's Instrumentation



- A WfM Baseline component technology to help reduce TCO
- Gives access/control to PC system/components
- Enables PCs to report unusual conditions autonomously

Instrumentation makes PC manageable



WfM Baseline Instrumentation Requirements

- Instrumentation requirements specified in terms of DMI 2.00
- Platforms must host DMI SP 2.00 and utilize MI and CI
- Platforms must instrument DMI standard groups/attributes

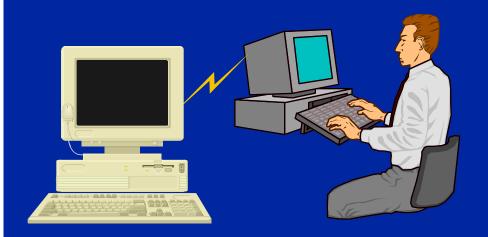
Standard instrumentation makes Baselinemanaged PCs remotely manageable



Delivering Instrumentation Three Steps

Service Provider

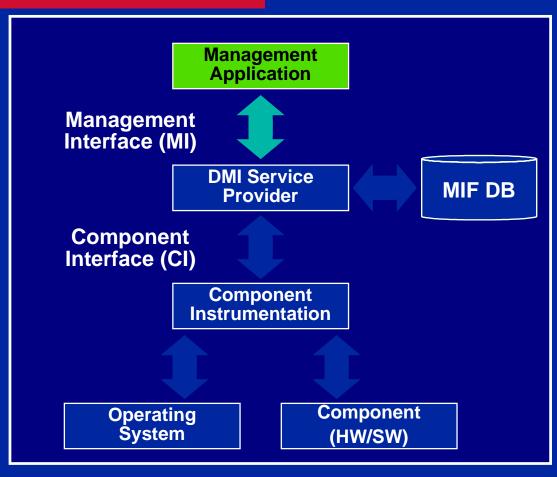
Instrumentation



- DMI Service Provider 2.0
- WfM Baselinecompliant instrumentation
- Interoperability validation

Delivering Instrumentation DMI 2.0 Architecture

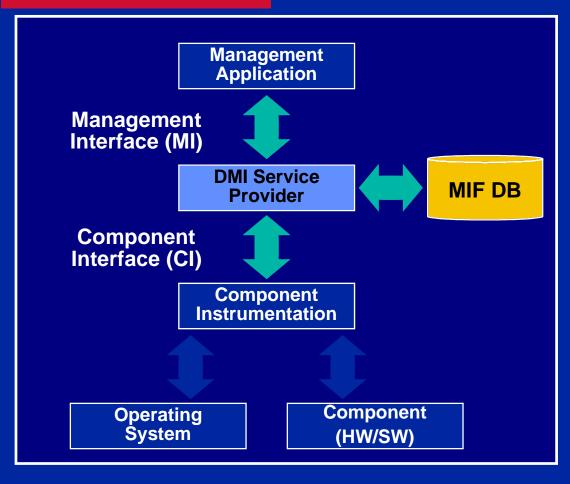
DMI Service Provider



- Mas control/ manage elements of desktops or servers
- Applications communicate with SP through MI

Delivering Instrumentation DMI 2.0 Architecture

DMI Service Provider

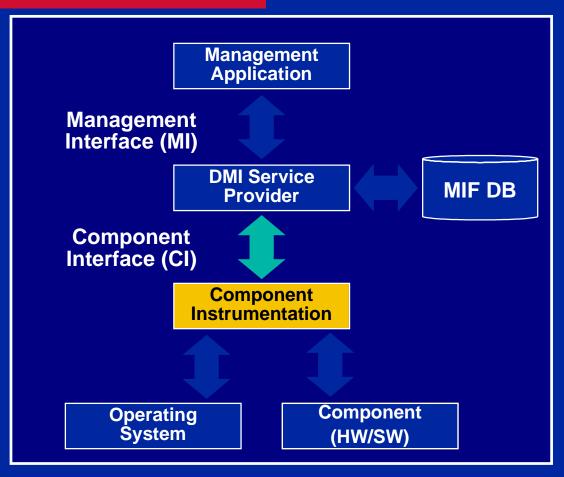


- Three interfaces:
 CI, MI and
 interface to the
 MIF database
- MIF database contains descriptions of managed products
- Each component is described by its MIF



Delivering Instrumentation DMI 2.0 Architecture

DMI Service Provider



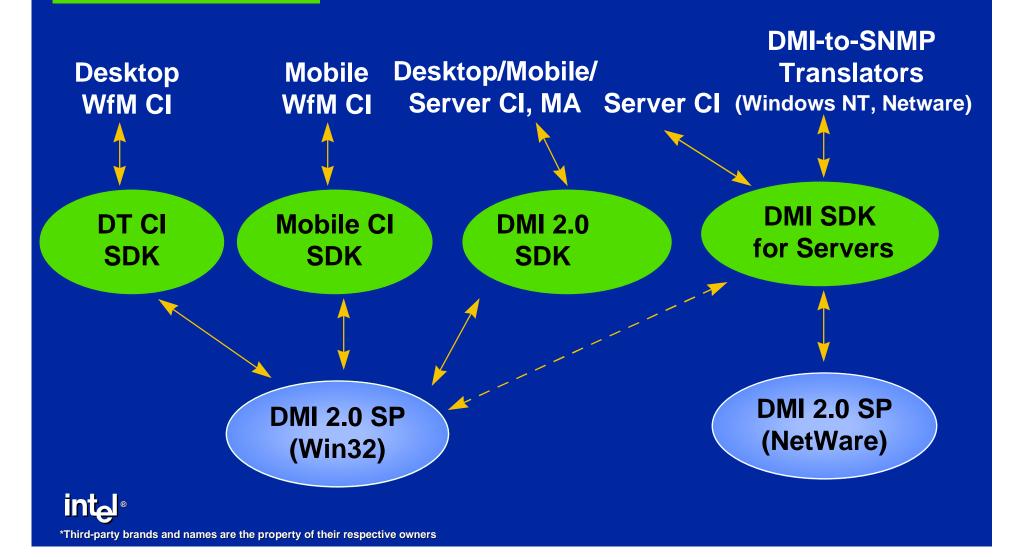
- CI consists of 7 main entry points
- Instrumentation communicates with SP through CI
- Components (HW/SW) are modeled with attributes



DMI provides powerful manageability

Delivering Instrumentation Development Support Tools

Instrumentation



Delivering Instrumentation CI Development Tools

Instrumentation



- Includes DMI SP 2.0 in binary form
- Allows CI development for desktops and laptops
- Interoperability validation tools for CI testing (DCTS2, CompCheck)

Delivering Instrumentation CI Development Tools

Instrumentation



- Setup utility for installing and redistributing DMI SP
- Comes with DMI MA and CI examples
- Is free

Several CI development tools are available



Delivering Instrumentation Working With DMI 2.0 SP SDK

Instrumentation



- Runs on Windows 95, and Windows NT
- Requires familiarity with MIF files
- Must know DMI Specification 2.00
- Requires C/C++ experience

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Delivering InstrumentationWorking With DMI 2.0 SP SDK

Instrumentation



- SDK header files and libraries:
 - Error codes in \include\dmi2err.h
 - DMI 2.0 API in \include\dmi2com.h
 - Memory handling API in \include\dmi2mem.h
 - Indication handling API in \include\clidmi.h

Find API info quickly using header files



Delivering Instrumentation Instrumentation Guidelines

Instrumentation WfM WfM Baseline MIF **Standard Groups** and User-**Defined Extensions User-Added Groups** Intel DMI 2.0 SDK CI Code intal®

- Start with WfM standard groups
- Add productspecific groups
- Use CompCheck to validate your MIF
- Choose instrumentation model (.EXE, .DLL, device driver)

Delivering Instrumentation Instrumentation Guidelines

Instrumentation WfM WfM Baseline MIF **Standard Groups** and User-**Defined Extensions User-Added Groups** Intel DMI 2.0 SDK CI Code

- Use SDK examples as templates
- Implement the 7 instrumentation entry points
- Install the component and register with DMI SP
- Use DCTS and Compcheck for testing

Delivering Instrumentation Start with WfM standard groups

Instrumentation

Start Path

Name = "DUMMY
INSTRUMENTATION"

Win32 = DirectInterface

End Path

MIF DB

- Select a symbolic name for your component
- Win32 =
 Means Windows 95
 and Windows NT
 platforms



Delivering Instrumentation Extending Standard Groups

Instrumentation

Start Attribute Name =

"Attribute_Name"

ID = 1

Value = * "DUMMY
INSTRUMENTATION"

End Attribute

 Add productspecific groups and attributes

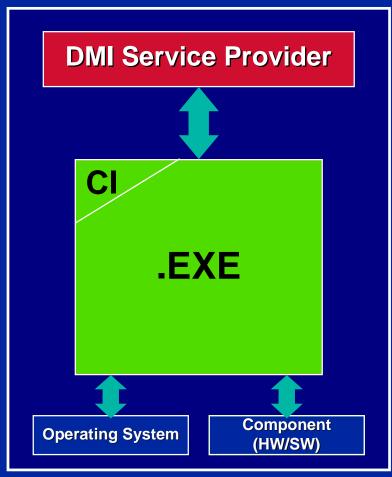
"*" means the attribute is instrumented

MIF DB



Delivering Instrumentation Choose Instrumentation Model

Instrumentation

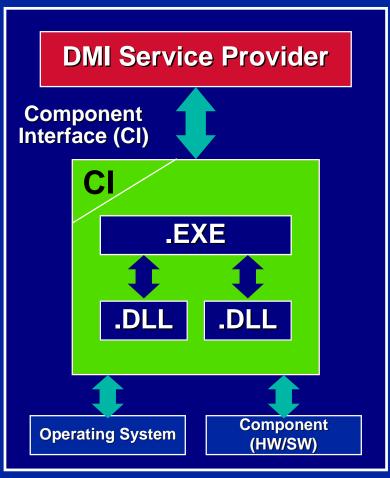


A stand-alone .EXE module that can run as a service



Delivering Instrumentation Choose Instrumentation Model

Instrumentation

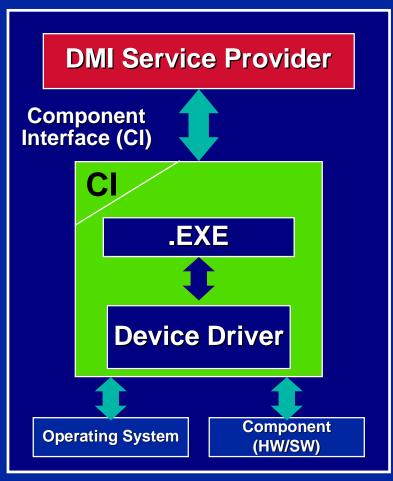


 A combination of .EXE and .DLLs to reduce memory foot print



Delivering Instrumentation Choose Instrumentation Model

Instrumentation



 A combination of .EXE and device driver for getting ring zero data

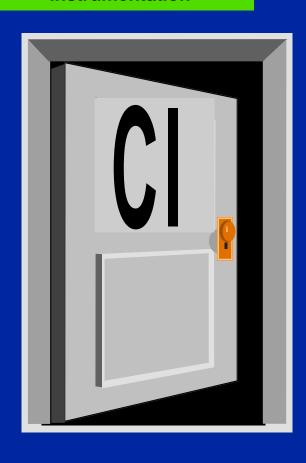
Instrumentation can be implemented as EXEs, DLLs or device drivers

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Delivering Instrumentation Implement CI Entry Points

Instrumentation



- CiGetAttribute()
- CiGetNextAttribute()
- CiSetAttribute()
- CiReserveAttribute()
- CiReleaseAttribute()
- CiAddRow()
- CiDeleteRow()



You must implement all seven!

Delivering Instrumentation Implementation Checklist

Instrumentation







Set node address and register with SP



Check for installed components



Find component ID using "exactMatch"



- **Install the component MIF**
- **Initialize the CI entry points**
- Fill group and attribute info
- Register component as Direct-Interface



Delivering Instrumentation Test the instrumentation



- Run CompCheck for DMI compliance checking
- Use DCTS2 to exercise/test your instrumentation
- Test your CI code locally and remotely

Test for interoperability and compliance with WfM baseline.



Stage Demo

- Step through the Multi-Timer instrumentation code example
- Run Multi-Timer instrumentation on the managed node
- Use DCTS2 on the managing node to subscribe for, and receive events from the managed node



WfM Instrumentation Information Sources



- Intel DMI 2.0 SP SDK Updates
 - www.intel.com/managedpc
- Technical Support
 - Newsgroups and FAQs in developer area of www.intel.com/managedpc
 - developer_support@intel.com
 - support@dmtf.org
- DMI 2.0 Specification and Other DMTF Documents
 - WfM CD, www.dmtf.org



Summary

- DMI provides powerful manageability
- Three WfM development tools are available
- Save time by using the SDK examples
- Instrumentation can be implemented as EXEs, DLLs or device drivers
- Instrumentation must implement the seven CI entry points



Call to Action



 Develop WfM compliant instrumentation for your products