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Web Integration Option, Version 1.x

What Are the New Server Options?

To better serve customers, Informix has simplified its product offerings. Informix Dynamic Server, formerly called INFORMIX-OnLine Dynamic Server, offers built-in parallelism and dynamic administration to guarantee the performance and availability essential for today's demanding database applications. As part of Informix Dynamic Server, Informix offers five configuration options:

- The Advanced Decision Support Option, formerly found in the Extended Parallel Server, exploits the capabilities of both symmetric multiprocessor (SMP) and uniprocessor architectures to deliver breakthrough database scalability, manageability, and performance for large-scale data warehousing and decision support applications. This option specifically optimizes query performance for specialized DSS indices.

- The Extended Parallel Option, formerly found in the Extended Parallel Server, optimizes Informix Dynamic Server for loosely coupled or shared-nothing computing architectures, including clusters of symmetric multiprocessors and massively parallel processors. This option features a completely shared-nothing design, offering proven near-linear scalability to hundreds of computers for the highest performance on terabytes of business data.

- The MetaCube ROLAP Option, formerly known as INFORMIX-MetaCube, provides a multidimensional view of warehouse data, enabling customers to search through data using open warehouse tools.

- The Universal Data Option, formerly part of INFORMIX-Universal Server, uses DataBlade technology to extend the traditional relational database functionality of Informix Dynamic Server to incorporate new data types, such as photos and maps, and new industry-specific business logic, such as package routing rules or complex currency exposure analysis. This option also allows customers to take advantage of new server functions and indexing methods for Web and content management.

- The Web Integration Option (formerly the Informix Web DataBlade Module and INFORMIX-Universal Web Connect) enables Web clients to be integrated with Informix Dynamic Server to create dynamic, content-driven Web sites.

What Is in This Web Integration Option Package?

The Web Integration Option is an application development and management environment designed specifically for creating dynamic, scalable, multimedia-rich Web applications that can easily keep pace with change. The Web Integration Option allows all Web site content and application logic to be stored centrally in Informix Dynamic Server.

This package consists of the following two products:

- INFORMIX-Universal Web Connect. This product includes the product CD and the installation guide. The user's guides are included in HTML format on the product CD.

- Informix Web DataBlade Module. This product includes the product CD, the user's guide, and the READ ME FIRST document for DataBlade modules.

What Should I Install?

If you are using Informix Dynamic Server Version 7.x, install Universal Web Connect. Follow the instructions in the installation guide.

If you are using Informix Dynamic Server Version 9.x with Universal Data Option, install the Web DataBlade module. Follow the instructions in the module's READ ME FIRST document.