

EPM Infrastructure Deep Dive

Eric Helmer, VP Advanced Technical Services, ADI Strategies John Booth, Director of Infrastructure/Integration Huron Rob Donahue, Director of EPM Infrastructure, Rolta

ODTUGKscope14

Agenda

- 1. First Session Eric Helmer 30 mins
 - 11.1.2.x what's new and overall architecture
 - Installation/upgrade tips, tricks, and considerations
 - Patching best practices
- 2. Second Session John Booth 30 mins
 - Performance tuning
 - Backup/recovery
 - Disaster recovery
- 3. Third Session Rob Donahue 30 mins
 - Health monitoring
 - Troubleshooting
 - Logs and diagnostics
- 4. Q&A 30 mins



EPM What's New, Installation, Patching



analytics for enterprise performance



Eric Helmer

VP Advanced IT services, ADI Strategies

Oracle ACE Director

Contact Eric at:

ehelmer@adistrategies.com

Blog: http://EricHelmer.wordpress.com

Web: www.EricHelmer.com

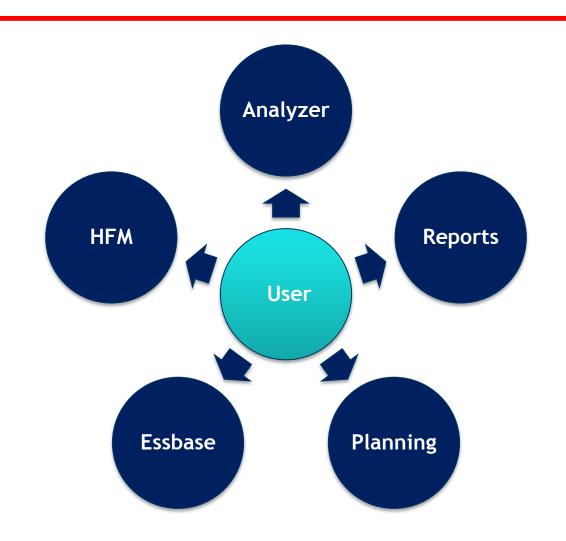
Twitter: @erichelmer



Pre-System 9

Separate, Best of Breed

- Individual Separate Products
- No real single sign-on
- Individually installed
- No common look and feel or portal

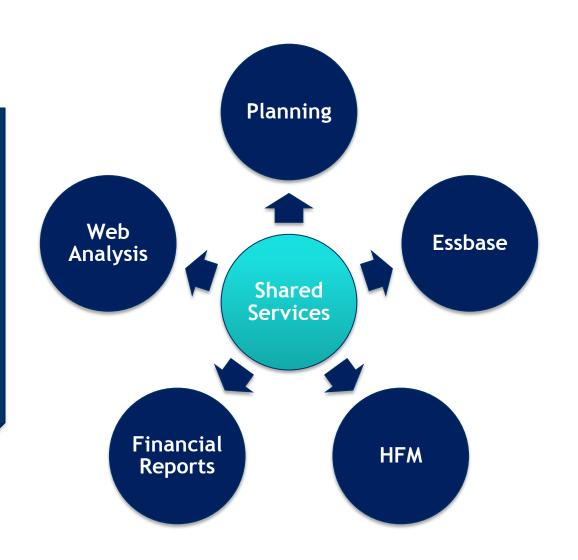




System 9/11

Enterprise Class

- ✓ Integrated enterprise
- ✓ Complex architecture
- ✓ Seamless to end user
- ✓ Single sign-on
- ✓ Same look and feel





Modern Challenges

- Mixed Operating Systems, virtualized environments
- Outsourced IT departments
- ✓ Helpdesk integration, ticket systems, support
- ✓ 3rd party hosting companies
- Global implementations
- Formal design review
- System monitoring
- High availability/load balancing
- Disaster recovery
- Vulnerability testing, port scanning
- ✓ SSL/HTTPS
- Change Management, versioning systems
- Firewalls
- Automation and scheduling software
- OBIEE integration

Enterprise Class Solutions need Enterprise IT planning, design, and transition.

IT methodology must include full enterprise class rollouts, meeting all Corporate IT challenges.



Latest Versions





Version History Compatibilities

11.1.1 - 2008

- ✓ Most products are 32-bit
- ✓ Windows Server 2003 SP1 and SP2 (32-bit or 64-bit)
- ✓ IE 6 and 7, Office 2003 and 2007

11.1.2.0 - 2010

- ✓ Intended for a new install, but a lot will migrate
- ✓ No backward compatibility
- ✓ Full 64-bit binaries
- ✓ Windows server 2008 R1
- ✓ IE 7 and 8, Office 2003 and 2007

11.1.2.1 - 2010

- ✓ Upgrade path and backward compatibility
- ✓ 9.2.1, 9.3.3, 11.1.1.3 & 11.1.2
- ✓ Windows server 2008 R2
- ✓ Office 2010



11.1.2

Significantly different - Fusion

- Weblogic embedded and required
- Almost 100% 64-bit support (except FDM, Strat Fi, ODI)
- Significant changes in directory paths and folder organization
- Support for Server 2008 and IE 8 and FF 3.5, Office 2010
- Oracle HTTP server replaces Apache
- SSL termination at web server support
- Essbase clustering
- No more OpenLDAP!
- Better Logging mechanisms
- Exalytics Machine

11.1.2.2

- Websphere 7.0.0.19+ support
- MS Office 2010 64-bit
- Firefox 10.x and IE9
- Smart View to HSF
- No FR Print Server
- Compact Deployment
- New HFM and Planning UI (ADF)
- Calc. Manager replaces HBR
- Standalone client installers



11.1.2.3 **Update**

- ASO native in Planning
- FDM EE
- Vertical Clustering
- New Log analysis tool
- LCM change auditing
- Workspace OBIEE integration
- LCM more of an end user tool
- EPM LCM "cloning"
- IE 10



Types of Upgrades

- In-place on top of existing servers
 - Requires Downtime
 - Cannot change Operating System
- Out-of-place new hardware
 - Must install new, migrate applications
 - No downtime, cut-over when ready
 - Can refresh hardware and Operating system



UPGRADING



Upgrade Methodology

Pre-Installation 2 Installation

3 Migration Post-Installation

Training & Go-Live



The Three Keys to Success

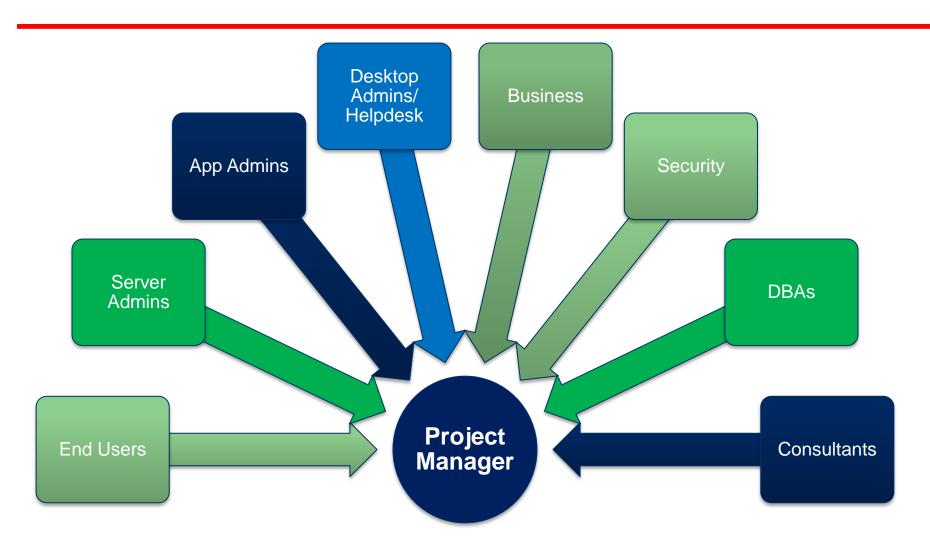
Establish the Team and Methodology





Project Management

Most Solidify a Partnership Between IT and Finance!





DESIGN GOALS

Proper IT Design

- Server sizing
- Disk systems
- Memory usage

Performance



- High availability
- Backups
- Clustering
- Disaster Recovery

Reliability



- Right sizing
- Virtualization
- Load balancing

Scalability





Inputs to IT Architecture

Named, Concurrent Where are the users?

User Profile

- How many Planning, HFM, Essbase users?
- How will end-users access system

Tolerance to Downtime

High availability design?

Multiple Environments

User Population

DEV, Test, Training, UAT, PROD, DR

End-user Desktop

Admin Rights?

Internal IT Standards

- **Operating System**
- Helpdesk / Monitoring
- 3rd Party Standards

Migration Strategy

- Who?
- Frequency?
- **QC** Procedures

Backups

- Procedures, backup windows
- Disaster Recovery

Security Requirements

- SSL? Firewalls?
- **External Authentication**



Enterprise IT design

Linium's Advanced EPM Hardware Design Services

- Enterprise Class IT design, best practices, scalability, availability
- Shift from IT being simply necessary to being a competitive advantage and part of the strategic vision and business direction

Virtual vs. Physical

In-House vs. Hosting

Scalability

Backup / Recovery

High Availability

Helpdesk Integration

Automated Monitoring

Maintainability

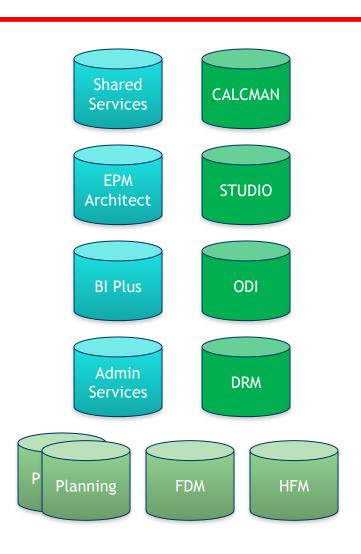
Security / SSL / HTTPS

Disaster Recovery



Database Design

- Shared Services
- ✓ EPM Architect
- Business Intelligence
 - Used by Workspace, FR, WA, IR
- Analytic Administration Services
- Calculation Manager
- Essbase Studio
- Oracle Data Integrator
- Data Relationship Manager
- Strategic Finance
- More for Planning, HFM, FDM, etc.





Pre-Installation

Download
Documentation and
Software

Consultant Access Accounts, Work Area Create needed System Accounts

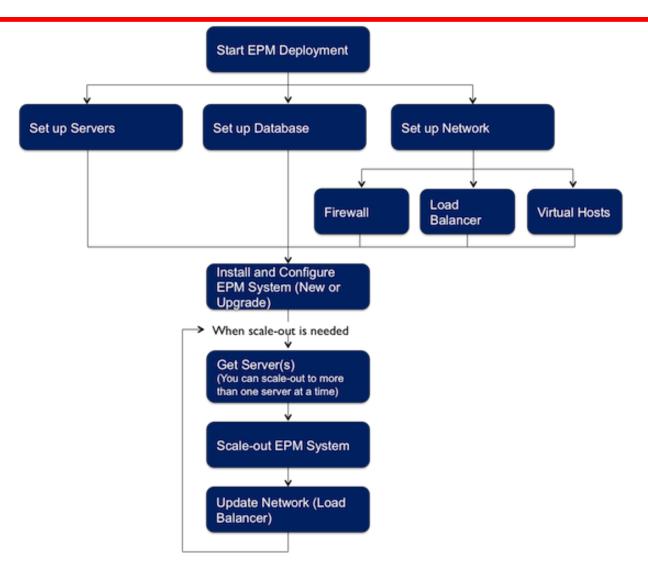
Disable Unnecessary
Services, Virus
Scanning

Database Client and Connectivity Testing

Prepare Servers



Installation Process





Migration / Upgrade Objects

Security

Reports

Applications (i.e. Planning, Essbase, HFM, FDM)

Data

ETL and Automation

Business rules to Calc Manager conversion



Go-live / Operational Readiness

Parallel close, user acceptance, conference room pilots

Monitoring agents

Helpdesk and ticketing systems

Support procedures, on-call and responsibility

Performance testing and tuning

Disaster recovery testing/ documentation

Backup/recovery testing

Business continuity, redundancy testing

Security hardening

Patching

- Patch Sets (PSU's)
 - Should be installed in all environments
 - le .100, .200, .300....
- Patch Set Exception
 - On-off situational only
 - Non round numbers



EPM Tuning, Backup, and DR



ACE John A. Booth





@johnabooth



metavero.com



+1.224.545.8820



Tuning

Virtual Machine

Operating System

Relational Database

Web Server Java Server

Application

- Virtual Machine
- Operating System
- Relational Database
- Web Server
- Java Server
- Application



Tuning: Virtual Machine









Size as if were physical machines; disable power saving in physical machine BIOS

#1 performance killer is shared resources

- Physical Server has VM's exceeding 2:1 I prefer closer to 1:1 on Analytic Apps e.g. HFM, HSF, Essbase. On very busy (overcommitted) servers more cores can lead to less performance
- On Analytic Apps ensure you have THICK disk provisioning -FIXED (Hyper-V 2012) or EAGER ZERO (VMWare)

Do not use Hyper-V 2008

Tuning: Operating System

- Network Settings e.g. Max Ports, Time to Reuse Ports, ...
- Disable power saving features; CPU, disk, ...
- Disable real-time AV scans on analytic data stores e.g. Essbase, HSF
- Consider impact of port driven AV scans e.g. port 80, 443, 19000, DCOM, all the JVM ports.
 Recommend you exempt from port scanning
- Windows: AdditionalDelayedWorkerThreads, AdditionalCriticalWorkerThreads

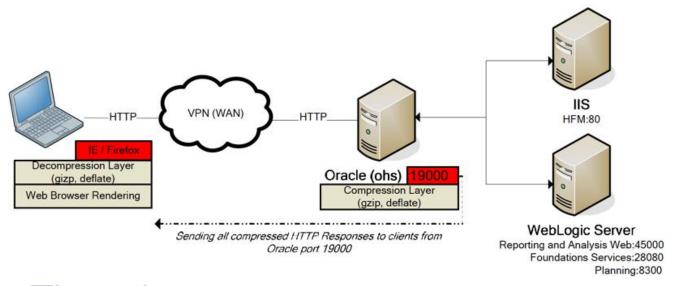
Tuning: Relational Database

- Storage speed (HFM, FDM/FDM EE, HPCM)
- Open Cursors (HFM)
- Temporary space (HFM/FDM/FDMEE)
 - On SQL Server have one tempdb per core of SQL Server
- RAM
 - SGA sizing for Oracle
 - % of RAM for SQL Server
- Number of allowed Connections / Sessions
- Allow for auto growth by at least 100 MB



Tuning: Web Server

- Offloading of SSL
- Compression especially for global deployments



- Threads
- Timeouts



Tuning: Java Server (WebLogic)

- General
 - Tune your minimum / maximum heap sizes
 - Tune stack sizes where appropriate e.g. Planning
 - Timeouts
- WebLogic
 - Maximum data source connections; see tuning guides
 - Native IO drivers on platforms where applicable
 - 64-bit Solaris platforms including Exalytics as of June 2014 deploy with a 32-bit AdminServer which leads to slow JVM starts



Tuning: Application

- RA Framework disable harvester and transformer when Interactive Reports are not used; broker connection settings to 500, heap settings
- Planning OLAP Connections
- Essbase DB Settings, Essbase.cfg, opmn.xml
- Financial Management Registry Settings



Backup and Recovery

Scope

Procedure

Implement

Test Test

Test

- Identify scope
- Identify procedure
- Implement procedure
- Test procedure



Backup and Recovery

- Backup Production and Non-Production
 - Although non-prod is less critical, it is more expensive to perform re-work Vs. restore lost work
- Data retention
 - Be able to go back 30 days
 - Be able to go back to point in time up to 3 months
 - Be able to go back to individual quarter ends up to 12 months
- O/S, Install user home directory, Registry (Win),
 Data folders, and Application Installation



Backup and Recovery

HOT vs COLD; HOT is non-invasive

 DO test your backup strategy – there are many sad stories about the backup that doesn't work

NEVER: Restore Shared Services DB to another environment

HINT: LCM for shared services role provisioning as well as granular items you may want to restore with minimal IT involvement e.g. Calcs, Rules, Grids, Forms, Reports, ...



Backup and Recovery

Area	Technique				
Base Application	File system backups (and registry for Windows)				
VM's	Snapshots/point in time of full machine				
Foundation	LCM exports of ROLE security				
BIPlus	Relational and File Backups (RM1)				
Essbase	File backup for key artifacts: *.sec, *.otl, *.csc, *.rul, *.rep, Data Options: 1. Full Archive + Transactions 2. Exports of data e.g. Calc Data Export, Level 0 3. PAGE/INDEX files				
FDM	Relational and File Backups (FDMData)				
HFM	Relational Backups				
HSF	File Backups (HSFData)				



Disaster Recovery

Application Criticality

Recovery Point Objective Recovery Time Objective Implement
Test
Exercise

- Identify Application Criticality
- Identify Recovery Point Objective (RPO)
- Implement Recovery Time Objective (RTO)
- Test procedure



Disaster Recovery: Good Practices

- Don't put your eggs in one basket: Ensure
 Disaster Recovery Center is in location least
 likely to be affected by an event in your primary
 data center
- If it's not tested, don't count on it: Yearly recovery test of critical applications



Disaster Recovery: Options

- Maintain production in two data centers in sync at all times
- Restore to a dedicated environment
- Restore over a QA/TEST environment
- Full restore to an isolated network (VLAN)
 - Identical to production in every sense; requires duplicated architecture for whole environment e.g. AD/LDAP, DNS, networks, ...
 - Usually the least amount of work for the application teams

Disaster Recovery: Terms

- Application Criticality What critical processes are impacted when my system is down?
- Recovery Point Objective (RPO) amount of data lost
- Recovery Time Objective (RTO) time to recover from last recovery point



Resources

Oracle EPM Tuning Guide

EPM 11.1.2.2 and 11.1.2.3 Infrastructure Tuning Guide (Doc ID 1595920.1)

Oracle VM-3 10GbE Network Performance Tuning

http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/server-storage/vm/ovm3-10gbe-perf-1900032.pdf

Virtually all the time

https://blogs.oracle.com/jsavit/

VMWare Tuning for latency sensitive workloads

http://www.vmware.com/files/pdf/techpaper/VMW-Tuning-Latency-Sensitive-Workloads.pdf

Performance Tuning Guidelines for Hyper-V 2012 (Windows Server 2012 R2)

http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/windows/hardware/dn529133.aspx

11.1.2.3 EPM Deploy and Installation Documentation

http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E40248_01/nav/portal_1.htm



Troubleshooting EPM



Rob Donahue

Rolta

rob.donahue@rolta.com



@EPMTechTips

614.937.5428



Types of Issues

- Issues can be categorized into 2 buckets
 - Isolated A problem that occurred once
 - i.e. Workspace crashed on Monday
 - Systemic A problem that continually occurs with some frequency
 - i.e. Planning crashes regularly during close cycles
- There is not a lot of point in trying to find the root cause of an isolated issue
 - It's difficult and time consuming to try and often the effort yields little information
 - Just walk away...
- Systemic issues need to have some root cause analysis done
 - It is important to determine the cause of the issue to prevent it from continuing to happen
 - Restarting Planning 3 times a week during close is not a resolution



Resolving an Issue

- Once the issue has been triaged & the scope and impact is known one can go about the effort trying to resolve the issue
- The process of troubleshooting is more of an art than a skill that can be taught
- Like anything however there are principles which can be learned and applied when the need arises

The goal of troubleshooting is not to determine 'why' so much as to find a resolution to the issue

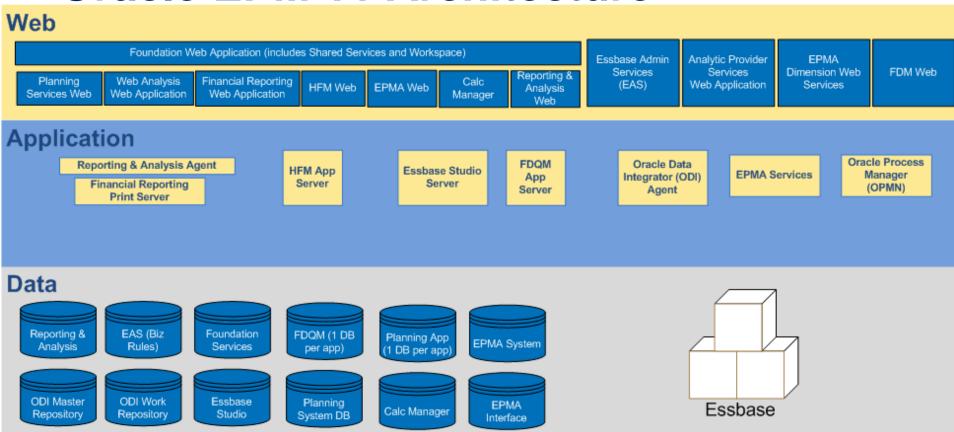


Resolving an Issue: What you need to know

- In order to be able to effectively troubleshoot an issue in an Oracle EPM environment one must have a grasp of:
 - Basic architecture of the products deployed in the environment
 - Understanding of the where's, what's & how's the Web, Application & Data tiers behave
 - Understanding of the inter-dependencies for the applications & tiers
 - Location of log & property files
 - Remember not just the Oracle EPM logs are relevant. The Web Application server or Event logs might contain important information
 - Note: Log Locations changed beginning with 11.1.2 & are grouped under <EPM_MIDDLEWARE_HOME>/user_projects/<epm_systemN>/diag nostics/logs
 - Basic understanding of Java Web Application servers & HTTP processing



Oracle EPM 11 Architecture





Troubleshooting 101

- Locate the problem
 - Example: A user says that they cannot run reports
 - This is a pretty generic statement so in order to help steer the troubleshooting the general source of the issue needs to be located
 - Can the user login to workspace?
 - Can they see the report they want to run?
 - Does the report open when they attempt to run it?
 - What error is given to the user?
 - Based on the answers to these questions one would be able to determine if the issue is with Workspace, Financial Reporting, Essbase or security allowing one to focus the troubleshooting on a targeted area
 - Be sure to capture any error messages to be used in later research



Troubleshooting 101

- Trace the problem
 - Once the general component or location of the issue is identified then the process of tracing the issue can begin
 - Review the log files and system logs for the identified component and try to correlate any errors in the logs with the time the error was known to occur.
 - This may lead you to another component, don't be afraid to follow the trail where it leads
 - It may be required to increase the logging on a particular component to capture additional information about the problem before a good trace can be captured



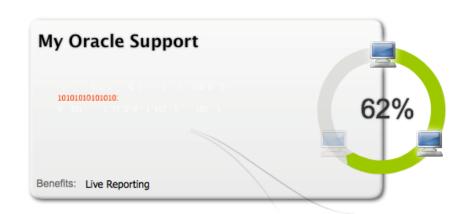
Troubleshooting 101: Trust No One!

- Verify the problem
 - Don't take anyone's word on anything
 - If the problem is repeatable then try to replicate the issue
 - If the problem seems localized to a single user to a special situation then witness the issue
 - If possible walk through the issue with the user at their desk or via an online meeting tool
 - Get screen prints



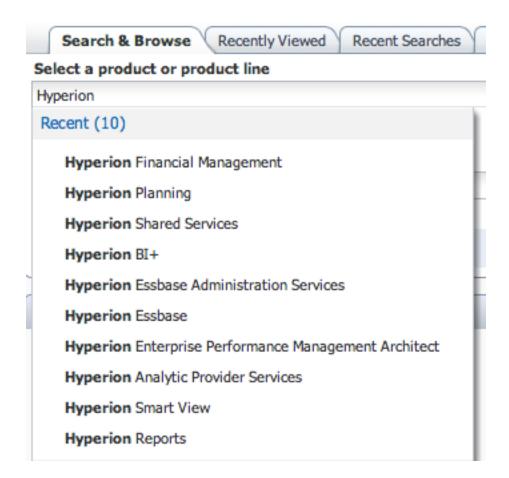
- Oracle Support Knowledge Base
 - It is actually useful!
 - No Really!

http://support.oracle.com



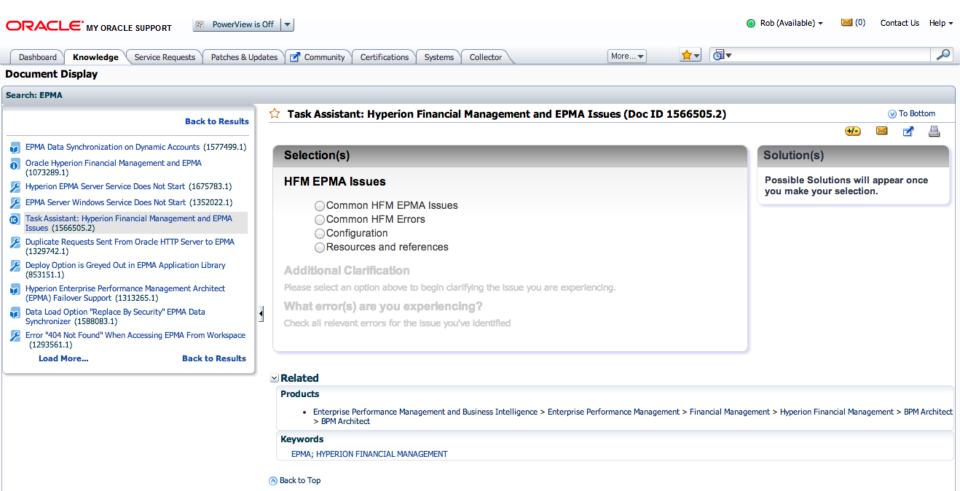


EPM Information broken up by product lines





Navigating the Results





Custom Google Search

 Oracle Discussions, IT Toolbox Discussions & Network 54

http://bit.ly/mMmHof

Refine results by Version for business rules error:

Version 9.3 Version 9.2 Version 9.0 Version 11

Business rules conncet - "Error connecting to Essbase server ...

Dec 18, 2007 ... Hi, I'm have just installed planning 9.3.1 (not 9.3.0.1) and have installed the sample application that now comes with it.

businessintelligence.ittoolbox.com/.../business-rules-connect-error-connecting-to-essbase-server-hplanningsampap-1778961

OTN Discussion Forums: Business Rules ...

1 post - 1 author - Last post: Apr 25

When I patched prod, and then redeployed the web servers, **business rules** is now failing. This **error** is in the planning log: java.lang. ...

forums.oracle.com/forums/thread.jspa?threadID=2212669&tstart=0

Essbase Users: Business Rules: Error Connecting to Essbase ...

1 nost

Business Rules: Error Connecting to Essbase/Planning 931, January 25 2008 at 12:09 PM No score for this post, Anonymous from IP address 70.8.122.128 ...

www.network54.com/.../Business+Rules-+Error+Connecting+to+Essbase-Planning+931

OTN Discussion Forums: two business rules runtime errors ...

6 posts - 4 authors - Last post: Dec 17, 2009

The **business rules** looks very nice but I got two runtime **errors**, The first I have to deploy twice else I got a wdsl **error** ...

forums.oracle.com/forums/thread.jspa?messageID=3975133&tstart=0

Business rules conncet - "Error connecting to Essbase server ...

Dec 19, 2007 ... Hi Daniel, I assume you are using shared services. Following are the steps which we followed for resolution of the issue: - The ...

businessintelligence.ittoolbox.com/.../business-rules-conncet-error-connecting-to-essbase-server-hplanningsampap-1783491

OTN Discussion Forums: Business Rules Error in V11.1.1.2 ...

2 posts - 1 author - Last post: Mar 19, 2010

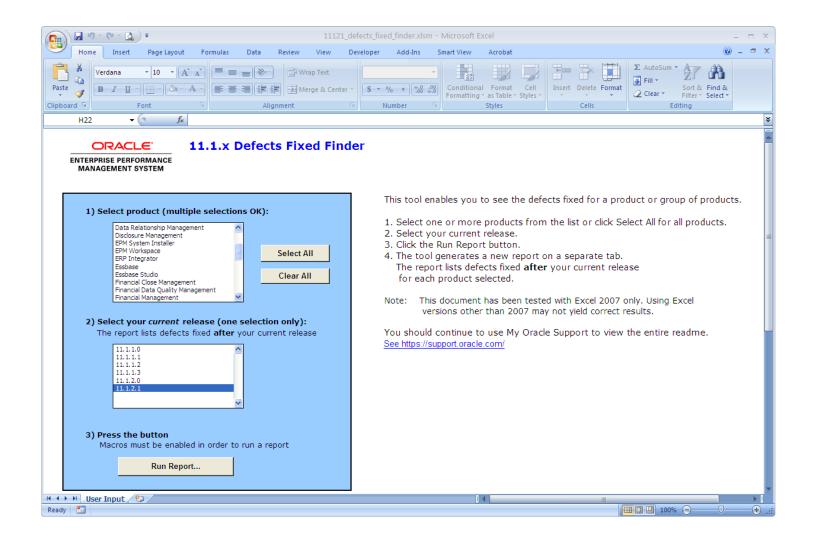
But when we try to expand **Business rule** node,then getting **error**. **Error**: reading plugin data.HBR is not configured correctly. JDBC.ORACLE. ...

forums.oracle.com/forums/thread.ispa?threadID=1045564



- Oracle Defects Fixed Finder Spreadsheet
 - Very useful to find defects and patches related to your installation
 - Current through version 11.1.2.3 as of 4/30/2014
 - Currently found under document ID 1292603.1







Product(s)	Delete this sheet Defects Fixed	Release Number	Supported Platforms	Oracle Patch Number
Planning	9952858 - Performance issues can occur when you open data forms in Planning 11.1.2. 12314413 - If a data form has hidden columns, copy and paste do not work correctly. 12314423 - When you paste data from Microsoft Excel into a Planning data form, a value may be missing. 12314431 - The Member Selection dialog box for a runtime prompt is empty.	11.1.2.0.002 Patch Set Exception (PSE): 12314814	Applies to all platforms supported in Release 11.1.2.0.	12314814
Planning	9857952 - When cells are hidden because the parent row or column is collapsed, cells are not updated by time period spreading or Grid Spread. 9857287 -Nonadministrator user types receive an error when using process management in Smart View for Office. 9885024 - An error is displayed when you create a data form and then select a variable. 9839681, 9819678 - Concurrency issues exist when two users launch a rule almost at the same time in an application using Calculation Manager as the calculation module. 9866296 - Employee expenses are not computed, because of missing FTE and Status Details when an employee is assigned to a job. 9840384 - Other Compensation Elements set to follow Salary Allocation are not available in View Allocated Expenses. 9840380 - Elements removed at the position level are still available in View Allocated Expenses. 9840351 - Changes made to a position's or employee's allocation data are not reflected in the View Allocation Expenses window. (cont.)		Applies to all supported platforms.	9809023



Troubleshooting 101

- Cover all angles
 - In most cases it makes sense to open an issue with Oracle as soon as the problem is verified & triaged
 - However this does not mean that the search for a resolution should wait on Oracle Support
 - While Oracle Support is 'researching' the issue it is important to continue the process of troubleshooting the problem, gathering more information to assist in the research and resolution



Troubleshooting 101

- Use Caution
 - When trying potential resolutions it's important to exercise caution so as to not create more problems in trying to fix the current one.
 - Only implement 1 fix idea at a time
 - This allows you to know which fix resolved the issue or which one caused more problems
 - Document each attempt and the results
 - Try to avoid crazy hacks that involve the registry, customizing delivered Hyperion code (i.e. JSP pages) or direct SQL changes to the DB
 - These have a tendency to come back and bite you later on

Trust me, I know!



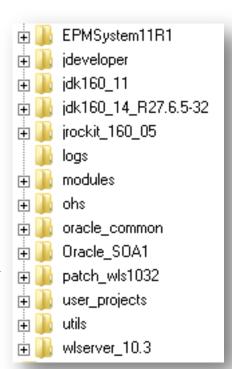
More Troubleshooting Tips

- Stay calm...
- Be methodical
- Document findings
- Discuss ideas with others
- Measure twice, cut once



Working with EPM 11.1.2.x

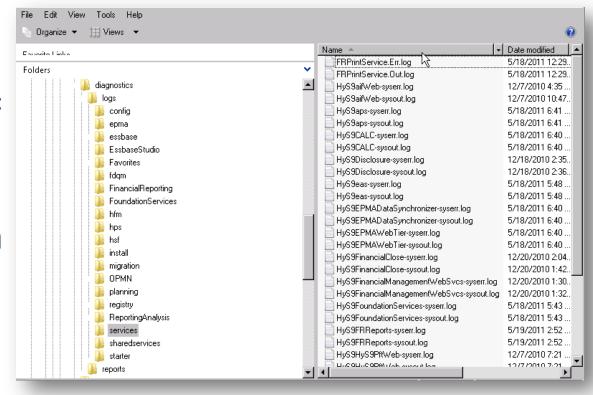
- The directory structure for 11.1.2.x has changed dramatically from version 11.1.1.3
- Logging has also changed a fair amount in the newest version
 - Many of the products now use the Oracle Diagnostic Logging framework
- Logs are 'generally' centralized under the <EPM_MW_HOME>\user_project s\epmsytem/\diagnostics\logs directory





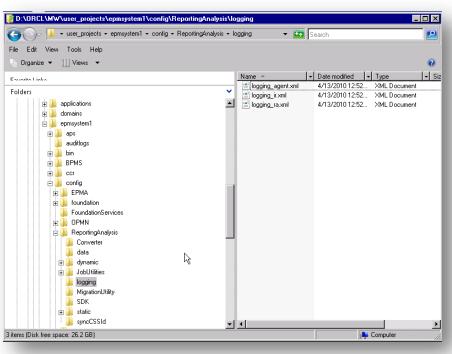
Working with EPM 11.1.2.x

- When reviewing the logs don't always trust the 'last modified date' in Windows
 - Many times this does not seem to reflect when the log was last updated
- The logs for the WebLogic and other Window 'Services' can be found in the 'services' folder





Working with EPM 11.1.2.x



To change the logging
 levels for ODL the XML
 file needs to be modified

These files are located in the <EPM_MW_HOME>\user _projects\epmsystem/\u00e4co nfig\product_name>



Working with EPM 11.1.2.x: ODL Logging Levels

Java Log Level	ODL Message Type: Log Level	ODL Description
SEVERE.intValue()+100	INTERNAL_ERROR:1	The program has experienced an error for some internal or unexpected non-recoverable exception
SEVERE	ERROR:1	A problem requiring attention from the system administrator has occurred
WARNING	WARNING:1	An action occurred or a condition was discovered that should be reviewed and may require action before an error occurs
INFO	NOTIFICATION:1	A report of a normal action or event. This could be a user operation, such as "login completed" or an automatic operation such as a log file rotation
CONFIG	NOTIFICATION:16	A configuration-related message or problem
DEBUG	TRACE:1	A trace or debug message used for debugging or performance monitoring. Typically contains detailed event data



Working with EPM 11.1.2.x: ODL Logging Levels

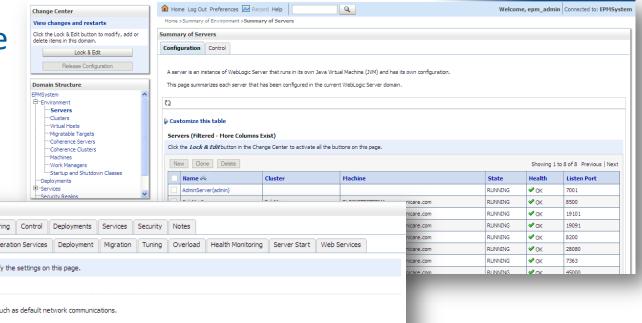
Log Message Format	Description
Time Stamp	Date and time when the message was generated, adjusted for time difference between the host where the message was generated and the host of the common repository. This field is set only when the log message is written to a central repository and should not be set by components. Example: [2010-01-22T05:23:31.755-08:00]
Component ID	The component that originated the message. Example: [FoundationServices0].
Message Type	ERROR—A serious problem that requires immediate attention from the System Administrator and is not caused by a bug in the product.
	WARNING—A potential problem that should be reviewed by the System Administrator.
	NOTIFICATION—A major lifecycle event such as the activation or deactivation of a primary subcomponent or feature.
	TRACE—Trace or debug information for events that are meaningful to users, such as public API entry/exit points. The messages should be understandable by those who do not know internal implementation details.
	UNKNOWN (may be used when the type is unknown).
Message ID	A short identifier that uniquely identifies the message. Example [EPMWKSP-000001]
Module ID	An identifier of the module that originated the message. The value is component specific. Example: [Initialization]
Execution Context Id (ECID)	Execution context ID helps connect multiple log files. Example: [ecid: 0000IPMCrhW17ic5PjWByd1BMQPg000002,0]
Message text	Actual log message



- There are 2 out of the box methods to assist in the management and troubleshooting of the EPM WebLogic Implementation
- WebLogic Administration Console
 - http://<admin_host>:7001/console
- Enterprise Manager Console
 - http://<admin_host>:7001/em
- Login to either using the WebLogic ID created during the initial configuration of EPM



 The admin console is used for managing the configuration of the managed servers in a domain

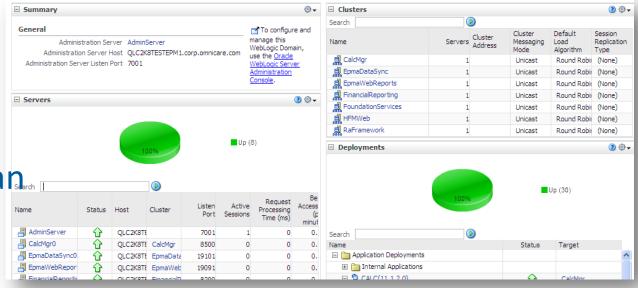




The Enterprise
 Manager
 Console can be
 used get status
 on the deployed
 components

Performance and log information can be viewed

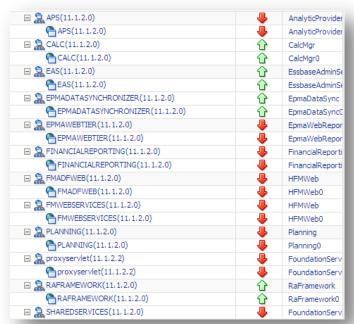






Servlets and JSPs					
Name	Web Module	Requests Processed	Average Client Processing Time (ms)	Requests (per minute)	Total Client Processing Time (ms)
WebServiceServlet	hfmadf	0	0	0.00	0
JspServlet	hfmadf	0	0	0.00	0
HFMPingServlet	hfmadf	4	152	0.00	609
jsp	hfmadf	855	11	0.00	9,311
WorkspaceManagerServlet	hfmadf	1	313	0.00	313
Faces Servlet	hfmadf	49	1,620	0.00	79,390
BIGAUGESERVLET	hfmadf	0	0	0.00	0
adw	hfmadf	0	0	0.00	0
-d - 1 -	1.0		-		

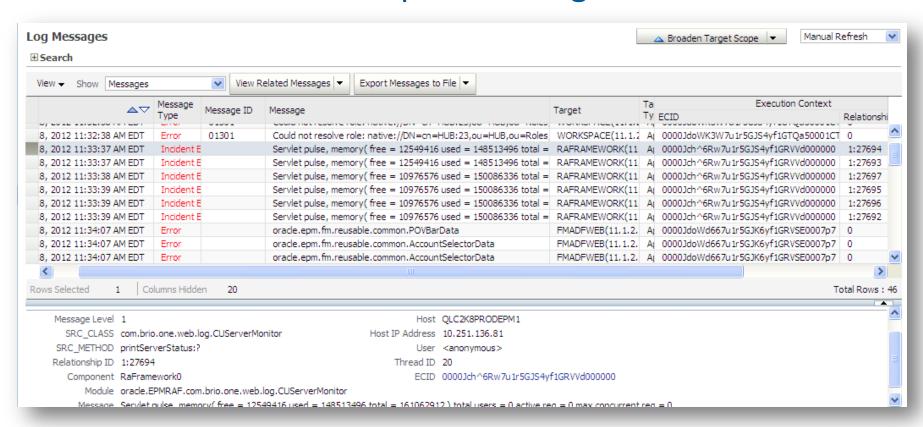
 Performance Information on the pages and servlets being served



Monitor Service availability



 Viewing Log Messages is one of the most useful features on the Enterprise Manager Console





A Word on Monitoring

- Implementing infrastructure & application monitoring can provide valuable information
 - Provide metrics to track performance over time
 - Provide information to assist in troubleshooting performance issues
 - Assist in proactively managing performance and reliability
- Many of the current IT monitoring applications can be configured to provide detailed information on an Oracle EPM implementation
 - Oracle Enterprise Manager (OEM)
 - HP OpenView
 - BMC
- Monitors can go beyond just server & hardware statistics if implemented properly