Windows To Linux Migration Toolkit: Your Windows To Linux Extreme Makeover
Synopsis
This book will teach people how to migrate systems from Windows to Linux. It provides migration process planning, automated migration scripts, anti-virus / anti-spam solutions, and specific migration and deployment details for all relevant technologies. IT professionals who wish to maximize the value of their Windows to Linux migration services will find this book valuable. The book will help them fine-tune their migration services to make them more efficient, thorough, feature-enhanced, and cost-effective by utilizing migration scripts and best practices gleaned from the author's many years of real-world migrations in large and small companies. * The book and fully functioning scripts on the CD-ROM work for migrations from Windows NT or Windows 2000 to any Linux distribution. * David Allen has done over 25,000 user migrations from Windows to Linux. * Microsoft will stop supporting Windows NT in December 2004 forcing over 2 million enterprise customers to migrate from Windows NT to a new server operating system. Both IBM and Dell are offering enterprise servers running Linux which will allow customers to realize a 50% reduction in TCO. In 2003 Linux servers represented the largest growth segment in the Server market, and all the major research groups indicate this trend will continue through at least 2007.

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Linux has grown tremendously in the server Operating System market, primarily due to the fact that it is stable and secure. But this growth has been restricted to the bigger corporates, with server farms and data centers, who have the resources to hire former Unix sysadmins and get high-priced
consultants to manage migration of their existing IT infrastructure to a Linux-based one. Small and Medium Enterprises till now have generally remained Microsoft customers, because quite often, there is no specialized IT department in such organizations, and Microsoft’s server products have GUI interfaces that make it easy for laypersons to set-up and administer services. Besides, Microsoft has tightly integrated services, like Active Directory and Exchange, which is a further incentive to use Microsoft server products. However, the proliferation of security issues, stability issues and the high cost of user-licenses have forced quite a lot of the SMEs to explore the possibility of using Linux to replace most, if not all the Microsoft server software. IT consultants catering to the SME market are also facing queries from their clients regarding the hype surrounding Linux, and the possible advantages of switching to Linux. The book “Windows to Linux Migration Toolkit” is aimed at this SME segment that is exploring ways to cut costs by switching to Linux. The book is divided into 11 chapters and 3 appendices, which cover almost all the major services used by SMEs today. Chapter 1 deals with the planning the roadmap and, keeping its target audience in mind, introduces us to the migration roadmaps of two fictional SMEs: Acme Widgets Manufacturing Inc. and Ballystyx Global Semiconductor Engineering Inc.

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