Version 6.0 of the IBM WebSphere Business Modeler family of products provides unrivaled business modeling, simulation, and collaboration capabilities to revolutionize business flexibility.

Overview

WebSphere® Business Modeler products help organizations fully visualize, comprehend, and document their business processes. Rapid results can be obtained through the collaboration functionality, where subject matter experts team to clearly define business models and eliminate inefficiencies. You can model business processes, then deploy, monitor, and take actions based upon key performance indicators (KPIs), alerts, and triggers for continuous optimization. Business processes then get tightly linked with strategic corporate objectives and honed as required. WebSphere Business Modeler products can drive much more granular business insight and knowledge, where knowledge equates to competitive advantage.

WebSphere Business Modeler products can serve to close the gap that exists between an organization’s business units, and IT’s understanding of the business drivers. IT requirements for defining a system will be well articulated, since both are utilizing a common framework, implemented through an Eclipse 3.0 shared workspace. Given that a business process is a defined set of activities leading to specific results, modeling them assures that your best practices are well documented and communicated. With this simple-to-use modeling and simulation tool, those who best understand the business can model critical business processes. Accurate business modeling is the starting point for successful IT deployment.

WebSphere Business Modeler helps you precisely model those aspects of the business that matter the most. The business measures editing function allows you to define the KPIs and metrics for your organization. When modeling your information assets, the information model will provide a view of your data, and its exact use within a business process. The resource model allows you to identify all of the different resource types so they can be associated directly to the model. The swimlane view can be used to visually display the model according to role, resource, organization unit, and classifier. You can both view and edit models in the swimlane view.

Key prerequisites

- Windows™ 2000
- Windows XP

For details, refer to the Hardware requirements and Software requirements sections.

Planned availability dates

- November 30, 2005 — V6.0 electronic delivery
- December 16, 2005 — V6.0 media

At a glance

WebSphere Business Modeler products let you model and optimize your business-critical processes:

- Understand and transform your business through superior business modeling, simulation, analysis, and collaboration capabilities.
- Define situations and situation outcomes in order to have key performance indicators (KPIs) and metrics drive appropriate and timely actions.
- Analyze simulation results to determine how to correct problem areas in your models, such as bottlenecks and workload imbalances.
- Improve process design through fact-based simulation.
- Anticipate market changes, and make process improvements to have your business stay flexible and adaptable.
- Generate reports from your models or simulation results using a wide variety of predefined report templates, or create your own custom reports.
- Optimize all of your business processes before deploying them, and drive higher ROI and customer satisfaction.
- Document your business processes for regulatory compliance.
- Ensure rapid and accurate deployment of your solutions with a clean hand-off to IT.

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WebSphere Business Modeler products are core components of business innovation and optimization. Business innovation and optimization allow you to understand the status of business processes across business and IT, put that understanding in context against goals and trends, and then take action quickly to improve execution. The Modeler solution delivers a structure for continuous business improvement. A core underlying functionality is the ability to analyze and model business processes. WebSphere Business Modeler provides software tools to help you model, simulate, and analyze complex business processes quickly and effectively. Line-of-business managers as well as business analysts can more easily design and develop process flows that improve how you do business. With the WebSphere Business Modeler products, you will be able to maximize business effectiveness by optimizing processes that give you competitive leadership in today’s on-demand business environment.

The four products in the V6 WebSphere Business Modeler family are:

- **WebSphere Business Modeler Basic** — provides a low-cost option for business users who are looking for a simple and easy-to-use tool to model, document, and print their business processes.

- **WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced** — provides all the features of WebSphere Business Modeler Basic, plus complex model simulation and analysis capabilities. In addition, it lets IT-focused users export models to multiple build time environments to help “jump-start” application development.

- **WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server** — provides the ability to publish business process models to a Portlet-based server where multiple subject matter experts can view and review the information simultaneously through a standard Internet browser.

- **WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Edition** — consists of 10 WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced licenses, plus one license of the WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server.

**WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced**

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced bridges the gap between line of business and IT. It provides robust functionality for process modeling, enterprise modeling, essential data and artifact modeling, organization modeling, resource modeling, timeline and location modeling, and business process analysis. The Modeler is intuitive and easy to use with six modes:

- **Basic**
- **Intermediate**
- **Advanced**
- **Business Process Execution Language (BPEL)** for either the WebSphere Business Integration Server Foundation or WebSphere Process Server runtime
- **WebSphere MQ Workflow Flow Definition Language (FDL)**

With WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced, business and IT communities utilize an Eclipse-based shared workspace. BPEL and FDL allow you to work in the mode with which you will be deploying. Business analysis is core for improving your business. Many business process modeling efforts stop at developing flow diagrams or process maps. With WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced, the effort is extended to include simulation, analysis, and redesign.

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced has a very flexible and visual process modeling environment that is enhanced by the ability to color code the elements by role, classification, or organization units. In addition to the name of the object, labels can be added to the top and bottom of an object. User customization allows the appropriate labels to be displayed on the model at the appropriate time. In addition to these visual analysis techniques, a swimlane view can be used to display the model according to role, resource, organization unit, and classifier. Modeler V6 provides the ability to view the model via swimlanes and also edit the model in the swimlane view.

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced includes a simulation engine that allows you to simulate the dynamic behavior of your process, permitting analysis of workloads and bottlenecks. You can view analysis on the process, resources, activity, and queue during the simulation or after the simulation is complete. The flows are animated in a step-by-step simulation that allow you to see real-time data on the flows. Simulation snapshots are available for reference. The simulation engine enables you to determine the most efficient model prior to implementation by quickly conducting the “what-if” analysis. To quickly go from the modeling phase to the simulation phase, metric information (such as costs and time) are entered into the model while it is being modeled in the process editor.

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced provides new capabilities for adding and viewing simulation attributes in a table format to simplify the steps to adding the attributes and running a simulation. In addition, new distributions have been added to support additional statistical types of analysis that have been widely used in the healthcare industry but are applicable across industries. These distributions are Weibull, Continuous, Beta, Erlang, Johnson, and Triangular. To support these large simulations and the complex distributions, significant enhancements have been made to the usability and performance of the simulations so that results can be obtained faster and can be stored in a relational database. Another important feature added to support the simulation capabilities is the ability to generate multiple instances of a single resource to faster simulate resource utilization within a business process.

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced includes a reporting tool that can automatically create written, numerical, and graphical reports. The reports provide valuable guidance in the process analysis and redesign. Some of the predefined reports are:

- **Process Summary Report** — provides a single report that contains essential cost and time analysis reports.
- **Process Comparison Reports** — combines and compares the Process Summary Reports from two process simulations for comparisons and provides ROI comparisons of as-is and to-be flows.
- **Documentation Report** — provides an overview of the attributes of business items, resources, or other model elements.
- **Procedure Report** — documents the sequence of steps within a process, and the relationships of that process to other processes and roles.

These reports allow for a detailed weighted average analysis to validate and optimize the processes defined.
You can improve your business by understanding the processes’ time and cost performances. All of this can be rolled up into comprehensive communication tools through charts, tables, reports, graphs, or diagrams. If a customized report is needed, there is a Report Builder to help you generate it. This release also includes support for publishing models to the Web.

WebSphere Business Modeler V6 includes integration with Crystal reports enabling you to create reports in Crystal reports that can combine business process information with additional business information.

Once the models have been built, simulated, analyzed, and corrected, you can deploy them to multiple code generation tools. The models can be exported to WebSphere Studio Application Developer Integration Edition V5.1 through Business Process Execution Language (BPEL), Web Services Description Language (WSDL), and XML schema definitions (XSDs). In addition WebSphere Business Modeler exports to the new WebSphere Integration Developer tooling environment through the generation of Service Component Architecture (SCA) components, modules, task execution language (TEL) for human tasks, BPEL, WSDL, and XSDs. In addition WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced can create the wiring of those artifacts. WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced also supports the capability to export to Rational® XDE®, under the Business Modeling Profile. Integration with Rational Software Architect (RSA) is performed within the RSA environment by importing the WebSphere Business Modeler process models into the RSA tool. And finally, the tool still supports integration with WebSphere MQ Workflow through flow definition language (FDL). FDL can be exported directly to WebSphere MQ Workflow Build-time.

In addition to the deployment capabilities, WebSphere Business Modeler provides model management capabilities by being able to version, check in and check out, merge, and compare different versions, track element history, and get a specific version from the history. These capabilities are provided by the CVS plug-in as part of the Eclipse platform. WebSphere Business Modeler offers optional support for Rational ClearCase® as a version control system.

Another important feature of WebSphere Business Modeler is the ability to generate business measures models via the business measures editor. This feature enables Modeler to support WebSphere Business Monitor by allowing you to take a snapshot of a modeled process and update it with key performance indicator (KPI) and metric information. KPIs and metrics are modeled by defining what triggers them and under what conditions they are monitored. In addition situations can be defined that allow WebSphere Business Monitor to determine a situation has occurred and an action must be taken. Once you have defined the KPIs, metrics, and situation, an integration specialist can go in and ensure that the appropriate events both are available and contain the correct information in order to properly be monitored. Once this has been completed, a business measures model is generated. This business measures model is a deployable artifact for the WebSphere Business Monitor.

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced is able to import FDL from WebSphere MQ Workflow, models from WebSphere Business Integration Modeler V4.2.4, and WebSphere Business Integration Modeler V5 models. Included with the product are Visio import capabilities as well as a proprietary XML import and export capabilities. This XML capability can be used to facilitate integration with other tools, allowing users to import information from external sources, as well as export it to additional environments.

WebSphere Business Modeler allows you to support and implement enterprise initiatives, such as:

- Workflow automation
- Policy and procedure documentation
- Application development
- Sarbanes-Oxley initiatives
- HIPAA

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced provides support for:

- WebSphere MQ Workflow by exporting in FDL
- WebSphere Server Foundation by exporting in BPEL
- WebSphere Process Server by exporting BPEL
- Rational XDE through UML 1.4 export

### WebSphere Business Modeler Basic

WebSphere Business Modeler Basic is a low-cost entry edition providing basic modeling to capture data. The Basic Edition is for enterprise departments and individual users who do not require the full capabilities of WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced. WebSphere Business Modeler Basic is used for modeling, validation, and documentation. All three modeling modes (basic, intermediate, and advanced) are available. Once the models are entered, the validation rules still apply; however, WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced is needed to utilize the simulation engine and analysis. The reporting tool and the complete set of static documentation reports are available in this base release. The models can be captured, validated, and documented in this version. WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced is needed to run simulations and export to the multiple code generation tools. WebSphere Business Modeler Basic provides an easy-to-use tool at an affordable price.

Following are the key functional differences between WebSphere Business Modeler Basic and WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced:

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WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server

WebSphere Business Modeler provides the capability to publish business processes created within WebSphere Business Modeler. Once published, authorized viewers can view and comment on the business processes using a standard Internet browser.

**Publish the business process:** WebSphere Business Modeler is able to create visual representations of business processes along with supporting information. The more accurate and detailed the information contained in WebSphere Business Modeler, the more accurate the analysis. An important step in modeling the business processes is to validate the process and its data. One way to achieve this validation is to make the business processes available so that subject matter experts and other interested parties can review them. Publishing Server allows someone using WebSphere Business Modeler to publish an entire business process modeling project or just parts of it to a server. Models are published in the standard process model view, not the swimlane view. The subject matter experts and other reviewers can then view the process diagrams and their supporting information using a standard Internet browser. By more widely publishing business processes, you increase the likelihood of the model being accurate and reduce the risk of a subject matter expert introducing information that is unique to that user.

A published business process can also serve as training tool for new employees. The business process model can provide new employees with a high-level view of their role in the company and clearly identify the tasks they are expected to perform. It can identify what the employees need to do in certain conditions, if the model has that level of detail.

**Obtain additional information:** In addition to just viewing business processes, authorized reviewers can use Publishing Server to comment on a diagram or on its supporting information. Because the comments are visible and other reviewers can respond to the comments, Publishing Server provides a forum for discussing and resolving differences of opinion on a business process. The comments and responses are tracked by originator and date/time at creation. These comments and responses can then be exported permitting the modeling team to update the model, making it more accurate.

WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server also allows authorized reviewers to post attachments such as MS Word documents. The attachments allow the reviewer to provide the modeling team with additional information that they can use to update the business processes.

WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server has three major components: publisher, publishing server, and client.

**Publisher:** The publisher is a plug-in for Business Integration Modeler that takes modeling projects or selected elements from a modeling project and publishes them to the publishing server.

The publisher acts as a gateway to the publishing server. The person performing the role of publisher selects which projects or model elements to publish and which publishing server will host the published project. Projects or model elements can be published in an in-progress mode. An administrator can then publish the information into a released mode. Information published in both modes is displayed with information contained in the advanced mode of WebSphere Business Modeler. This becomes useful when working with multiple versions of the business process models so that the correct level of information is shown to users at the right time.

**Publishing server:** The publishing server hosts published business modeling projects. The server consists of WebSphere Portal Server and a database. WebSphere Portal Server displays the business process information in four portal windows and an additional portal for displaying comments. The database stores the comments.

The publishing server also has an administration page that allows an authorized person to perform the administration role to define user access, edit and remove business processes, and edit and remove comments.

**Client:** The client is a standard Internet Explorer Internet browser with the Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG) Viewer plug-in. The SVG Viewer enables you to zoom in and out of the process diagrams.

To access a published business process model, the person performing the role of reviewer enters the model's URL on the publishing server. Once the reviewer has logged onto the publishing server, the client displays the portals served by the server. The information displayed by the portals depends on what elements or buttons the reviewer has clicked in any of the portals.

When viewing published business process models, you can select information either through the navigation portlet or the view portlet, once a process or element has been selected. Once a business process model or model element is selected, you can view its associated attribute information as well as any comments or responses or add new comments and responses via the comments portlet. In addition you can associate additional read only documents or URLs to model elements in the view portlets to help provide additional contextual information about the element.

**WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Edition**

Whether you are establishing business process modeling as a core competency or expanding your business modeling environment, you will benefit from WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Edition, a package that includes one copy of WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server, and 10 licenses of the WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced. WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Edition enables team collaboration in publishing and review of business process models, where subject matter experts ensure process model accuracy while facilitating communication and participation across the organization. This bundle provides a perfect entry point for customers interested in setting up centers of excellence and competence using WebSphere Business Modeler. This bundle provides an easier way to purchase the products and install WebSphere Business Modeler and Publishing Server simultaneously and obtain tremendous value.

**Statement of direction**

IBM plans to make national language translations for WebSphere Business Modeler V6 available in the first quarter of 2006.
All statements regarding IBM’s plans, directions, and intent are subject to change or withdrawal without notice.

Reference information

Refer to

- Software Announcement 205-226, dated September 12, 2005
- Software Announcement 205-227, dated September 12, 2005

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Technical information

Specified operating environment

Hardware requirements: Refer to the appropriate Web site below:

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced

WebSphere Business Modeler Basic
http://www.ibm.com/software/integration/wbimodeler/entry/sysreq/

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Software requirements: Refer to the appropriate Web site below

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Planning information

**Extended entitlement:** IBM plans to protect customer investments and does not expect current customers to migrate immediately from currently entitled products to WebSphere Business Modeler V6. In order to facilitate the extended migration periods that some customers may require, IBM is offering extended entitlement.

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http://www.ibm.com/software/integration/wbimodeler

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Packaging

WebSphere Business Modeler Basic ships on 1 CD-ROM.

WebSphere Business Modeler Advanced ships on 1 CD-ROM.

WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server consists of:

- WebSphere Business Modeler Publishing Server — 1 CD-ROM
- WebSphere Portal — 1 CD-ROM
- Domino™ Enterprise Server — 1 CD-ROM

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The customer is responsible for evaluation, selection, and implementation of security features, administrative procedures, and appropriate controls in application systems and communication facilities.

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### Charge metrics definitions

**Processor:** In Full Capacity charging — Proofs of Entitlement (PoEs) must be acquired for all activated “processors” (available for use) that are on the server where the Program or a component of the Program is run.

1. If there are Program Components included in the offering whose function is not to be included in the charge metric, these must be listed in the Program-unique Terms of the License Information.

2. IBM defines a physical processor in a computer as a functional unit that interprets and executes instructions. A physical processor consists of at least an instruction control unit and one or more arithmetic and logic units.

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4. In the zSeries® Integrated Facility for Linux™ (IFL) environment, each IFL engine is considered a single “physical processor.”

5. Threading, a technique which makes a single processor seem to perform as two or more, does not affect the count of physical processors.

6. Where “blade” technology is employed, each “blade” is considered a separate server and charging is based upon the total number of processors on the blade on which the Program is run.

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The Program may be installed on one or more computers, and accessed by multiple Users provided that a User authorization has been obtained for each individual User.

1. Users have unique specific identity and IDs cannot be shared.
2. An ID may establish one or more connections and count as a single User.
3. An ID may only be reassigned for the long-term replacement of personnel, machine, program, or device.

**Passport Advantage program licenses**

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