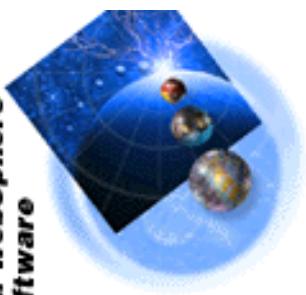


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## **WebSphere Application Server for z/OS and OS/390**



# **WSADMIN**

# **Scripting Interface**

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## WSADMIN Scripting Primer

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Look for update in future with index.

If you're interested in going deeper  
still, refer to white paper WP100421  
on the "Techdocs" website

<http://www.ibm.com/support/techdocs/atsmastr.nsf/WebIndex/WP100421>

Includes a ZIP file with dozens of exercises.

This presentation won't go into  
nearly as much detail; rather it'll  
pick up the key points.

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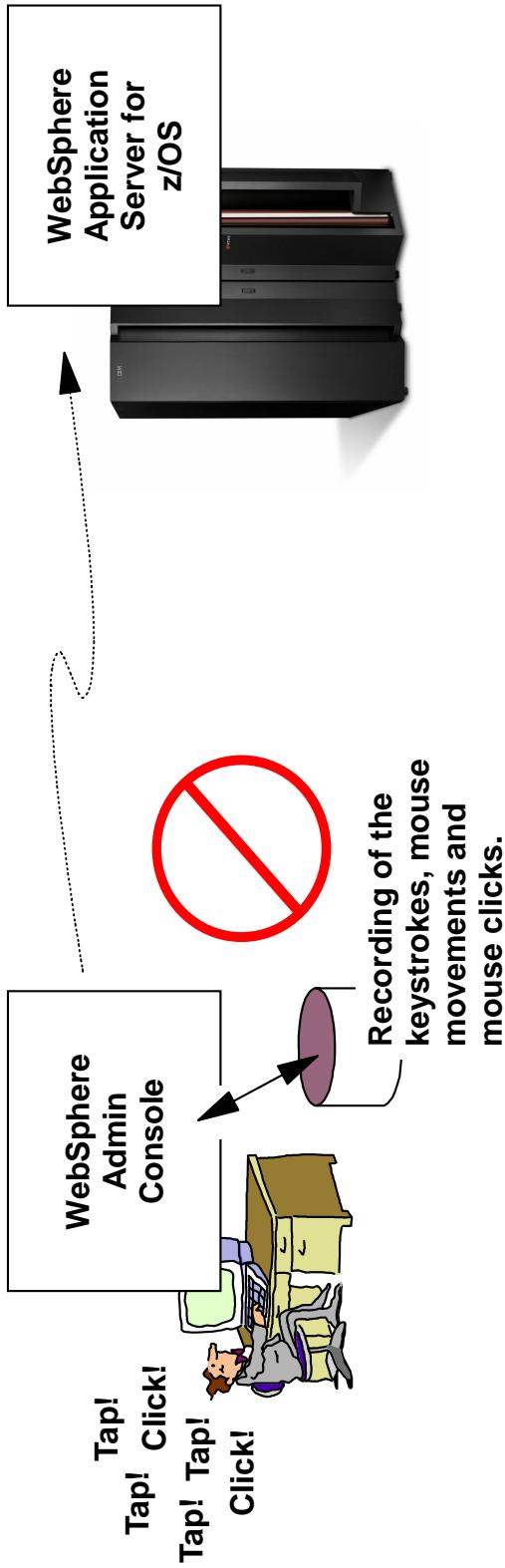
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# What WSADMIN is NOT

WSADMIN is not a keyboard activity record-and-playback mechanism.



A common question is whether it's possible to record Admin Console work and use it to create a WSADMIN script.

The answer is "no" ... but that's not necessarily a bad thing. As you'll see, many WSADMIN commands are far simpler than the steps you'd take in the Admin Console to achieve the same thing.

Some, however, are more complex. It's a tradeoff.

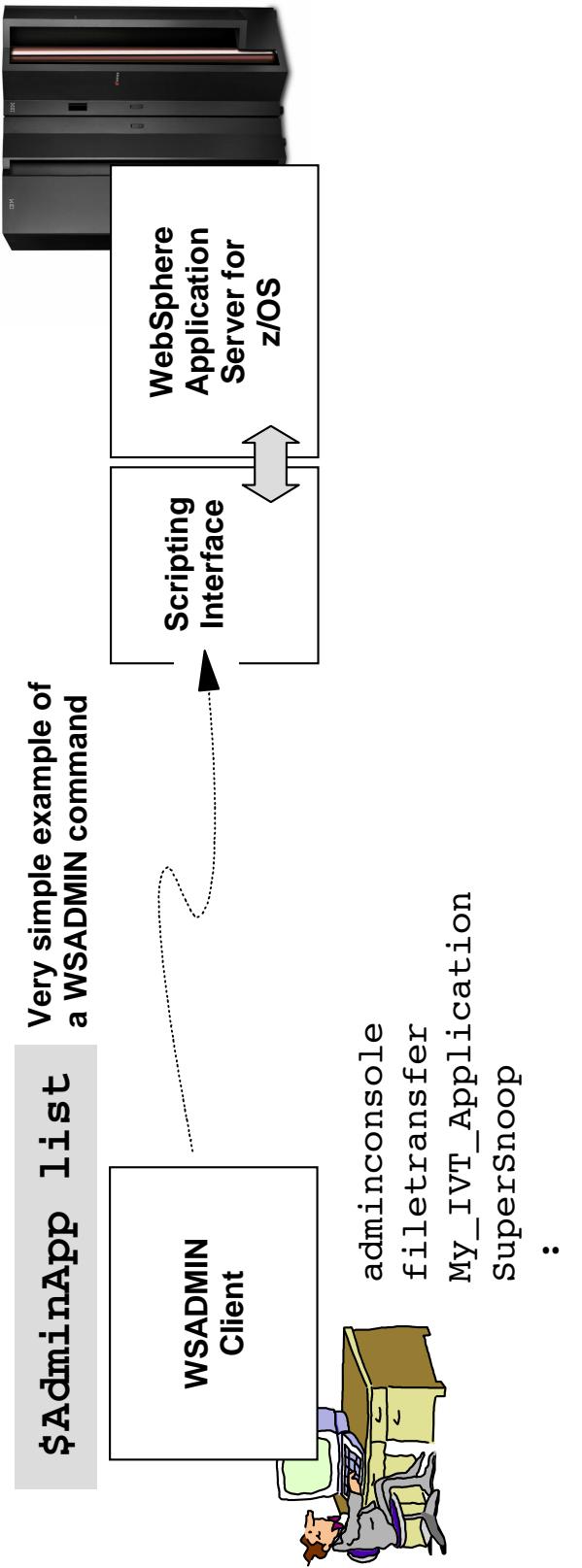
What is  
WSADMIN?

# WSADMIN is Scripting Interface

WSADMIN is an interface to WebSphere that allows commands issued to modify some aspect of the runtime environment:

```
$AdminApp list
```

Very simple example of  
a WSADMIN command

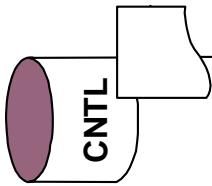


What sort of things can be accomplished?

- Install or uninstall applications
- Modify an existing application
- Start or stop servers
- Initiate node synchronization
- Create new servers, clusters, virtual hosts, etc.

Without realizing it, you may have already used WSADMIN ...

# You've Probably Used WSADMIN



Submitted before you started  
the server ... don't need server  
running to install applications

**BBOWIAPP**

```
//INST1 EXEC PGM=IKJEFT01,REGION=0M
//SYSTSPPRT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSTSIN DD *
BPXBATCH SH +
/wasv5config/g5cell1+
/AppServer+
/bin/wsadmin.sh -conntype none +
-c '$AdminApp install +
/wasv5config/g5cell1+
/AppServer+
/installableApps/adminconsole.ear +
{-appname adminconsole +
-MapRolesToUsers [{"administrator" ...
{"monitor" No NO G5ADMIN G5CFG} +
{"operator" No NO G5ADMIN G5CFG} +
{"configurator" No NO G5ADMIN G5CFG} } +
-server g5sr01c +
-node g5nodec +
-cell g5cell1 +
-copy.sessionmgr.
g5sr01c} +
1> /tmp/bbowiapp_26921.out +
2> /tmp/bbowiapp_26921.err
/*

```

**When configuring WebSphere  
initially, the BBOWIAPP job  
installed the Admin Console  
into your new server using  
WSADMIN**

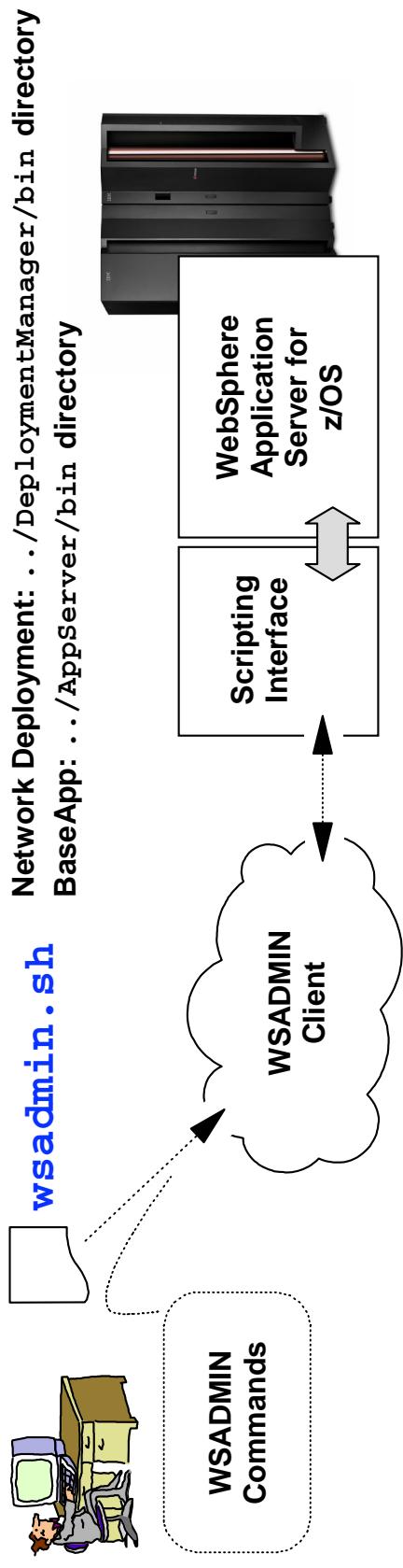
**Some interesting things:**

- Server wasn't up when you installed application
- Simple BPXBATCH invocation of wsadmin.sh shell script
- WSADMIN command and its attributes/options contained in the JCL

We'll explore all of these things in this presentation.

# WSADMIN "Client"

To exercise the scripting interface you use the WSADMIN client. On z/OS the client comes in the form of a shell script:



This is the bare-bones basics of it. There are a lot of variations on how this is done, which we'll cover. For now, understand three key points:

- WSADMIN client is shell script
- WSADMIN commands passed into client
- Client operates against WebSphere

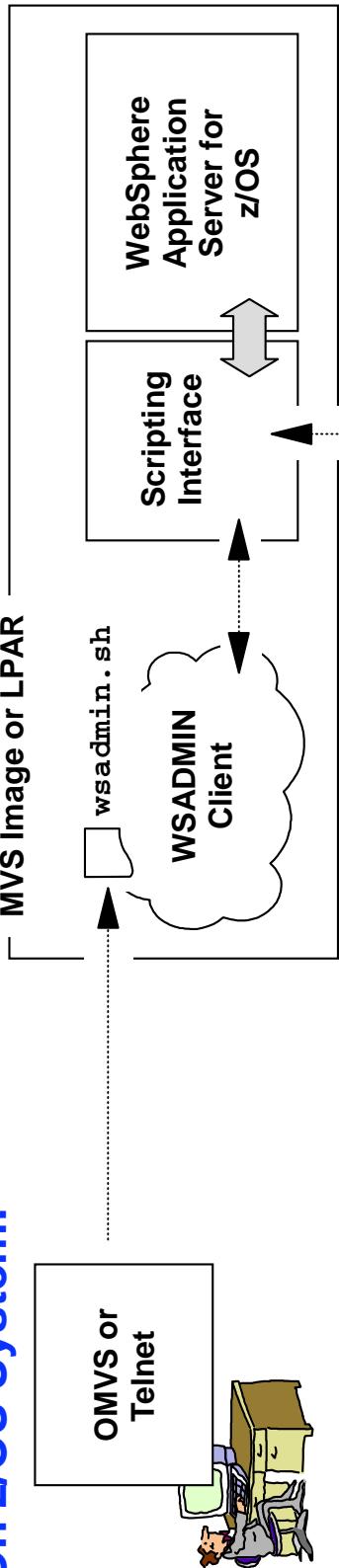
Where can you run client?

# Where You May Run Client

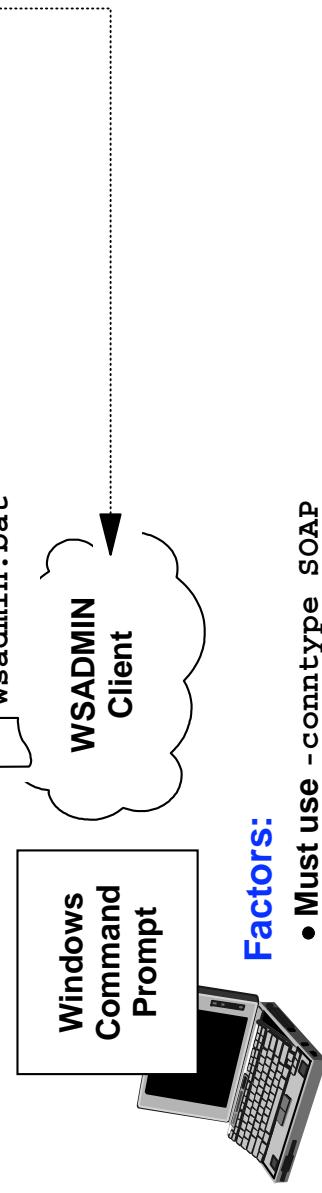


**WSADMIN is provided on all WebSphere Application Server platforms. So it's possible to run the WSADMIN client in different places:**

**On z/OS System:**



**From Distributed Platform**  
(for example, Windows)



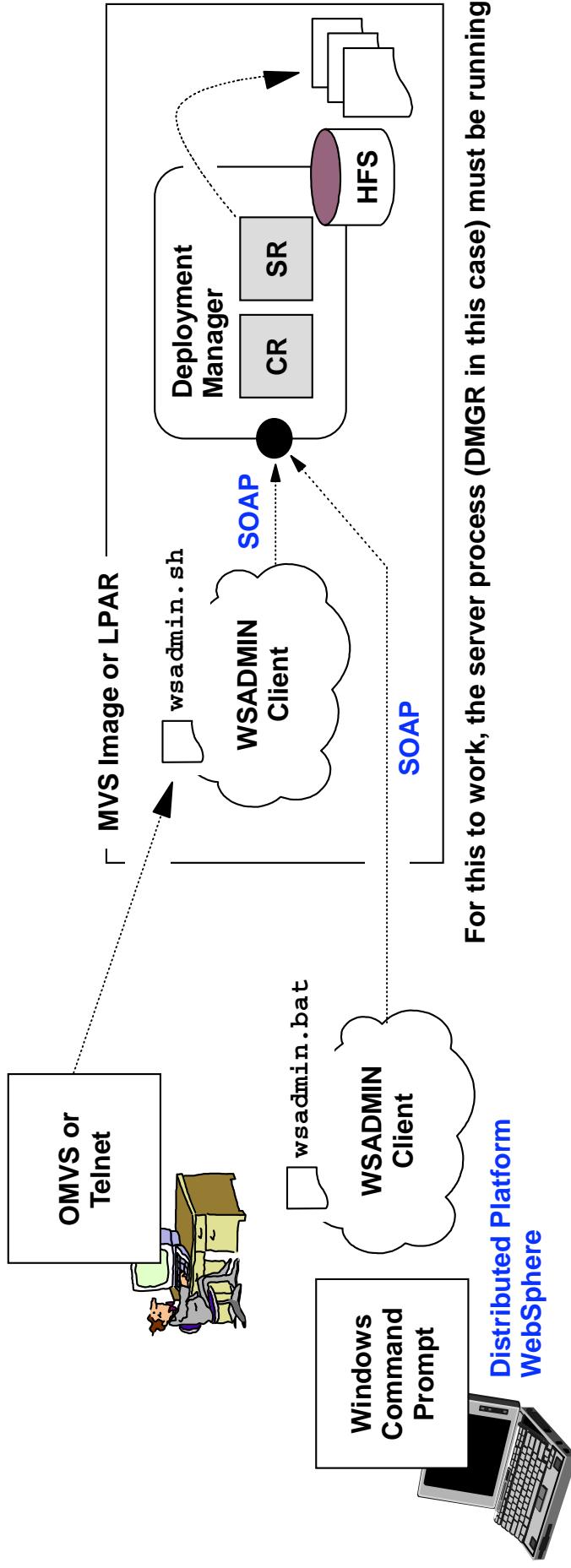
**Factors:**

- Must use -comntype SOAP
- Target server process must be up
- When security on then need to coordinate certificates

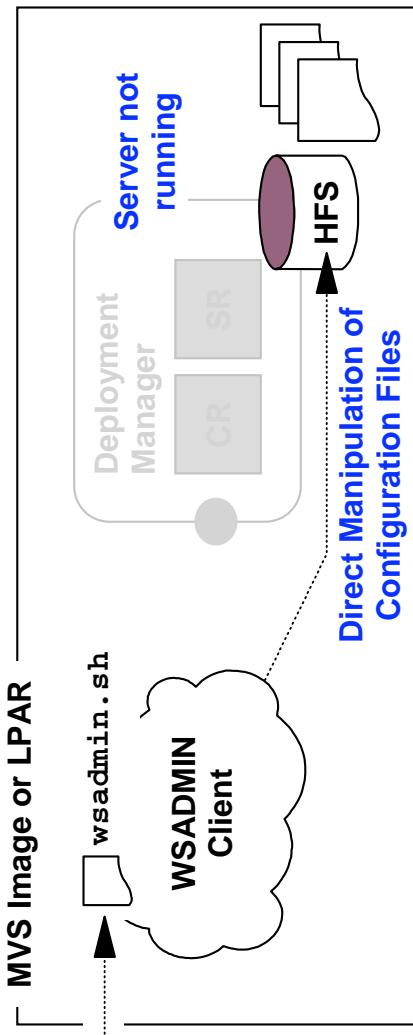
**Next: two "modes" of operation ...**

# "Local" Mode vs. "Remote" Mode

"Remote" Mode -- Connect via SOAP to server; let server modify configuration files



For this to work, the server process (DMGR in this case) must be running



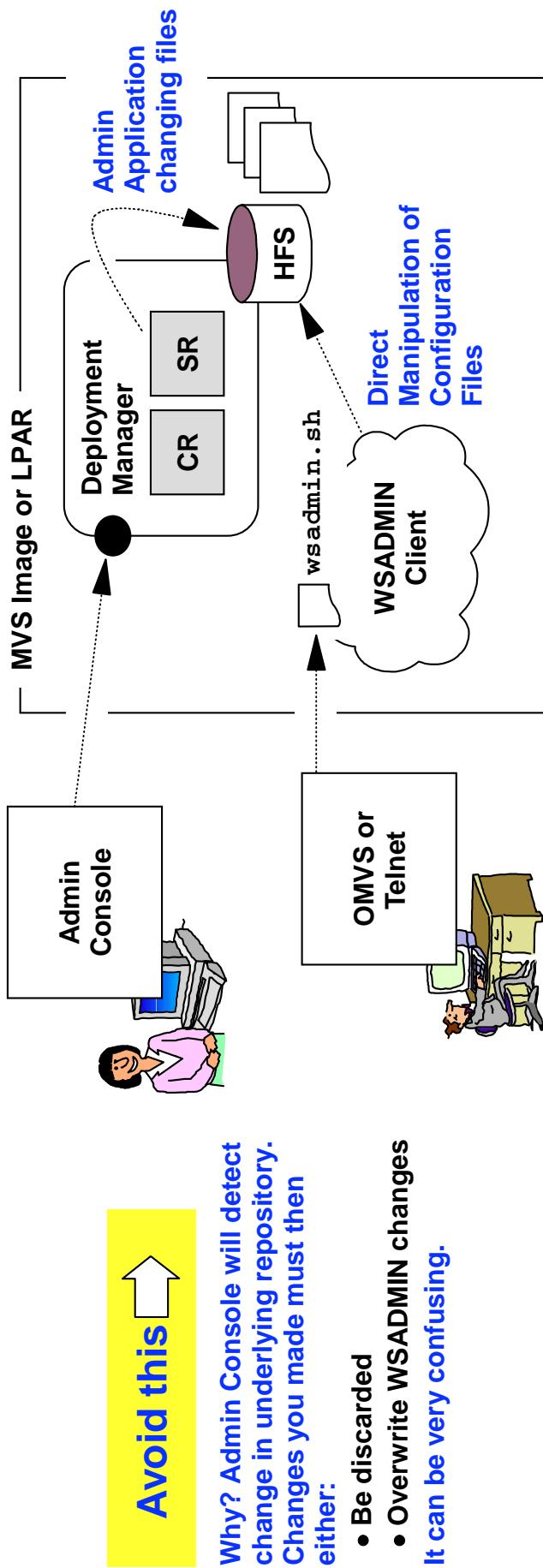
**"Local" Mode --  
WSADMIN changes  
configuration files  
directly**

- WSADMIN must run on z/OS
- BBOWIAPP did this
- Some functions not available (\$AdminControl)

# When "Local" vs. "Remote"



**Rule of Thumb:** If Deployment Manager (or AppServer if BaseApp) is available, connect to it ("Remote"). If server process not available, then use "Local."



If you come in "remote," the server running the administrative service can handle (to some degree) two different forces working against the configuration repository. But it has to know about WSADMIN doing it, and it can't if WSADMIN is operating in "local" mode.

"...to some degree..." -- Some configuration buffering does occur. Based on timing, it's possible changes in one environment won't be "seen" in the other.

Generally speaking, even in remote mode you should avoid having the Admin Console working against repository at the same time WSADMIN is doing it.

# On z/OS, Run Under "WAS Admin ID"



In order to have access to the configuration directory structure, wsadmin.sh must run under the authority of the "WebSphere Administrator ID"

If Telnet or OMVS:

```
EZYTE27I login: USER1  
EZYTE28I user1 Password: xxxxxxxx  
:  
:  
USER1:/u/user1-> su g5admin
```

Enter the password for g5admin: xxxxxxxx

```
USER1:/u/user1-> cd /wasv5config/g5cell/DeploymentManager/bin  
USER1:/wasv5config/g5cell/DeploymentManager/bin-> ./wsadmin.sh ...
```

Switch users to the  
WebSphere Admin ID

If JCL

```
*****  
//WSADMIN  JOB (ACCTNO,ROOM), 'USER1',  
//   USER=G5ADMIN,PASSWORD=xxxxxxxx  
//INST1 EXEC PGM=IKJUFT01,REGION=0M  
//SYSTSPL DD SYSOUT=*  
//SYSTSIN DD *  
BPXBATCH SH +  
/wasv5config/g5cell+  
/DeploymentManager/bin/wsadmin.sh ...
```

Any UID=0 ID? It'll work,  
but it may affect file  
ownership. Better to use  
WAS Admin ID.

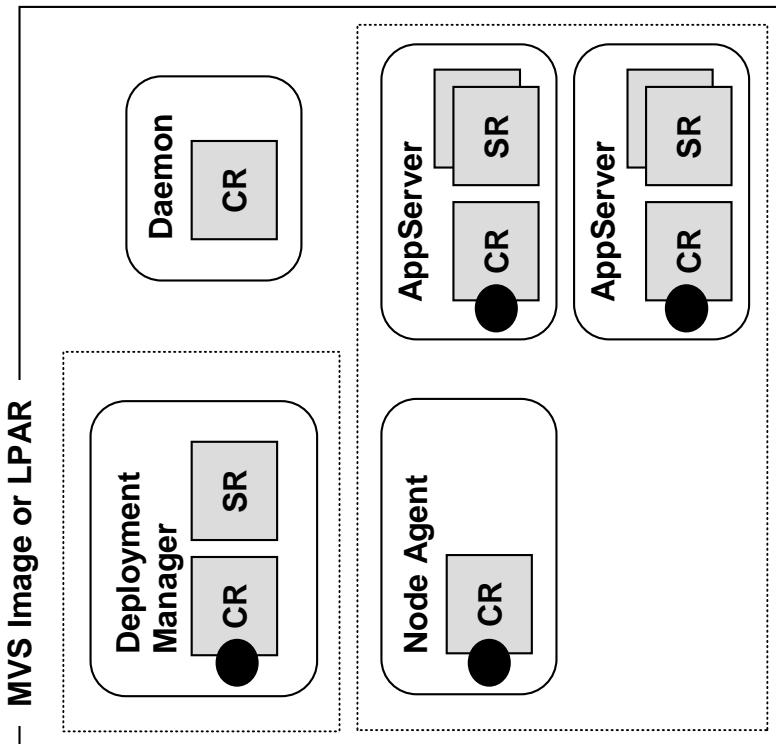
Provide authority  
via JOB card

This is different from the  
issue of authentication  
when "Global Security"  
enabled. More on that at  
end of presentation.

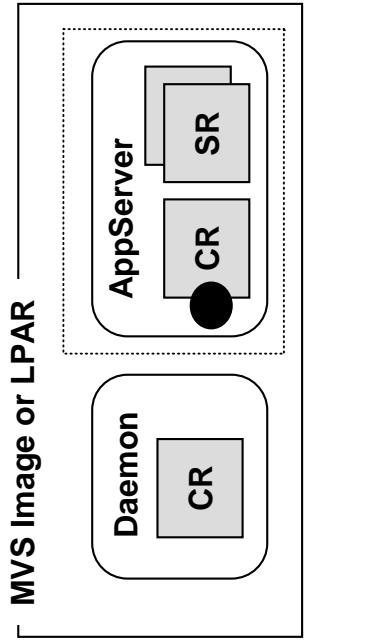
# Network Deployment vs. BaseApp



In a Network Deployment configuration, there are many different SOAP ports to which WADMIN could connect:



A Base Application Server node has only the application server, so that's what you'd connect to in "Remote" mode:



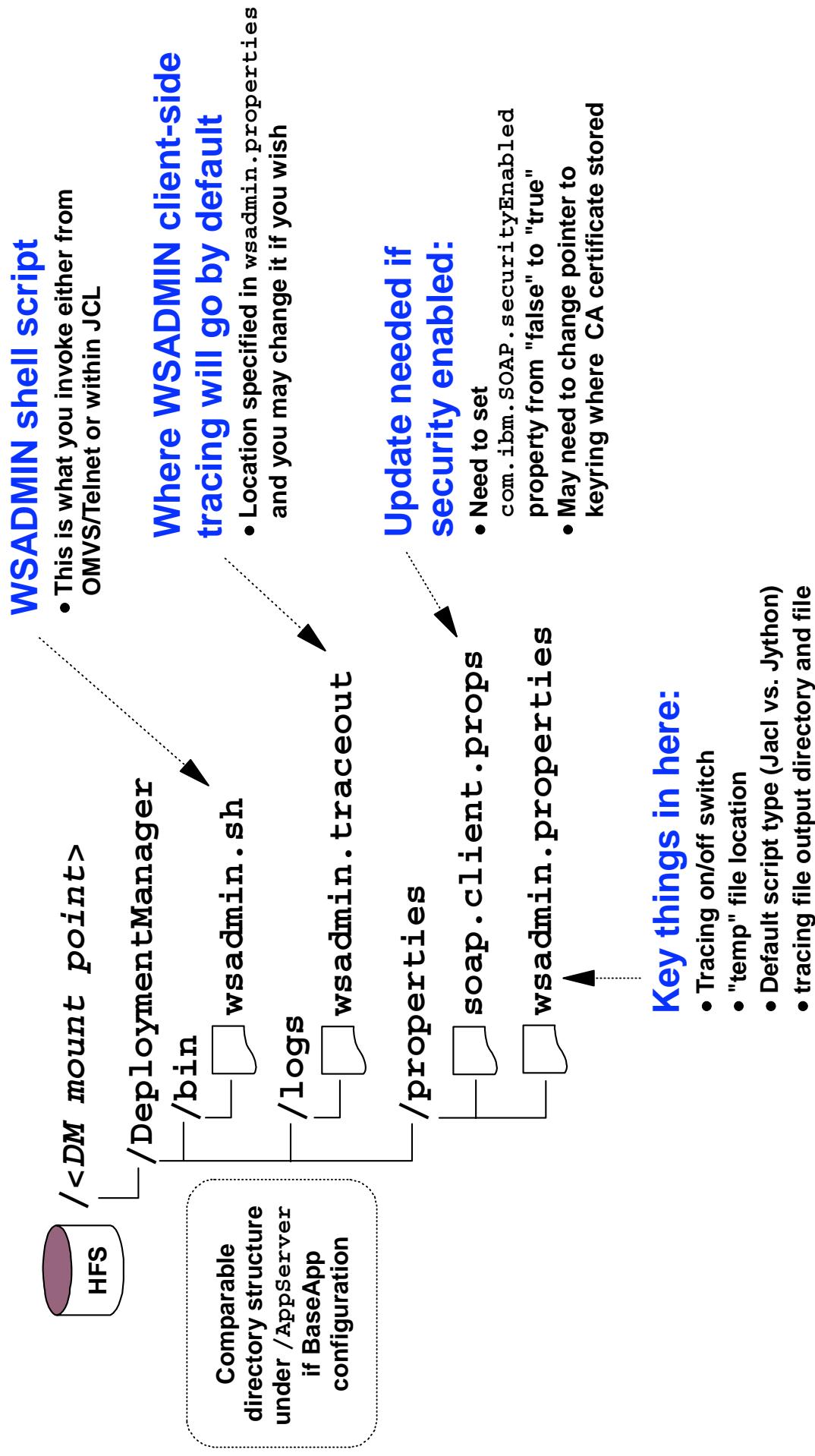
## Message:

- If ND, connect to DMGR

- When it comes to basics of WADMIN, Network Deployment or BaseApp are essentially the same
  - Going forward in this presentation we'll assume ND

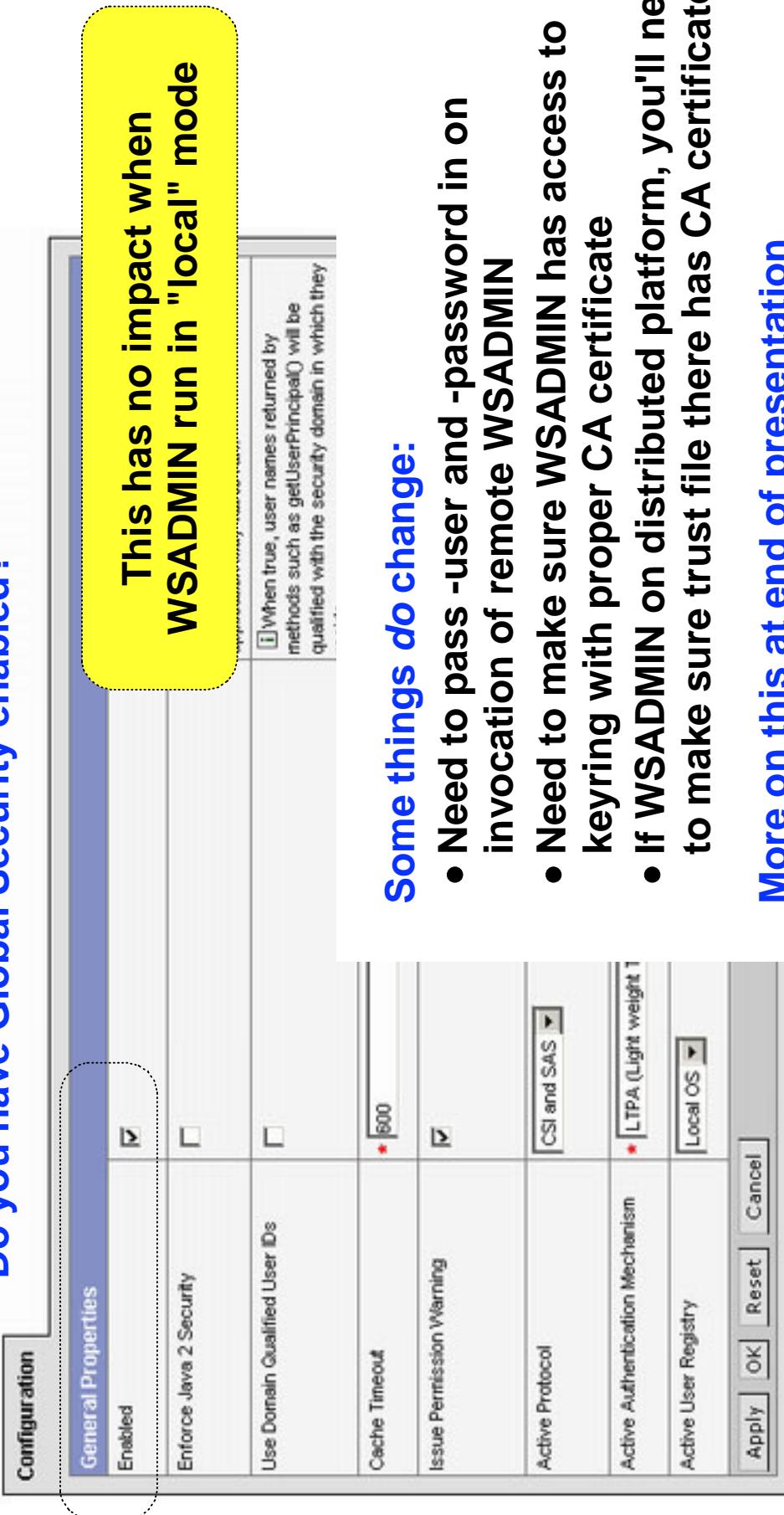
**Rule of Thumb: Connect to Deployment Manager. That'll then update "master configuration"**

# Other Files To Be Aware Of



# What About Security?

**Do you have Global Security enabled?**



**Some things do change:**

- Need to pass -user and -password in on invocation of remote WSADMIN
- Need to make sure WSADMIN has access to keyring with proper CA certificate
- If WSADMIN on distributed platform, you'll need to make sure trust file there has CA certificate

**More on this at end of presentation**

**Key Message:** scripting *itself* is not affected when security enabled -- only access to scripting interface

# Syntax of WSADMIN Invocation

```
./wsadmin.sh -?
```

```
wsadmin  
[ -h (elp) ]  
[ -? ]  
[ -c <command> ]  
[ -p <properties_file_name> ]  
[ -profile <profile_script_name> ]  
[ -f <script_file_name> ]  
[ -javaoption java_option ]  
[ -lang language ]  
[ -wsadmin_classpath classpath ]  
[ -conntype  
    SOAP  
    RMI  
    JMS <jms parms>  
    NONE ]  
[ script parameters ]
```

Used to indicate WSADMIN commands follow. We illustrate that in a few charts.

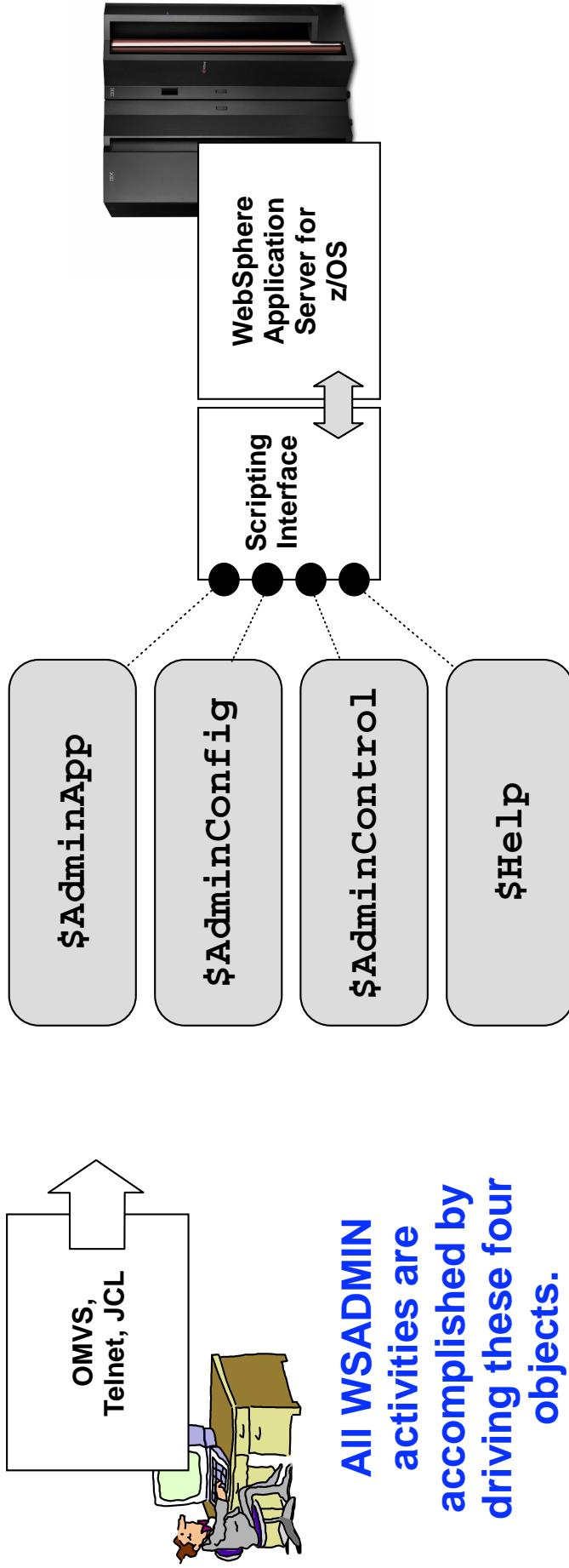
Used to tell WSADMIN that script file is in EBCDIC rather than default ASCII

Used to point to a file in which the commands are held. We illustrate that after -c switch.

Used to indicate the type of connection -- "Remote" (-conntype SOAP) or "Local" (-conntype NONE)

Note: if connecting via SOAP and global security is enabled, provide the WebSphere Admin ID and password on the invocation.

# Four WSADMIN Program "Objects"



Each has many different "methods," attributes and options:

Object	Method	Attribute	Options
\$AdminApp	uninstall	My_ITV_Application	
\$AdminApp	install	/u/user1/MyITV.ear	{ -server G5SR01C -node G5NODEC }

Good deal of the learning curve is discovering the syntax of these methods

More examples coming

# "Inline" Commands

Interactively at WSADMIN prompt

```
Telnet,  
OMVS  
:  
. /wsadmin.sh  
WASX7029I: For help, enter: "$Help help"  
wsadmin> $AdminApp list
```



All three of these are more or less the same thing

Passed in as parameter on shell script invocation

```
Telnet,  
OMVS  
:  
. /wsadmin.sh -c '$AdminApp list'  
BPXBATCH SH +  
/wasv5config/g5cell1+  
/AppServer+  
/bin/wsadmin.sh +  
-c '$AdminApp list' +  
/*
```



Great for relatively simple things, such as:

- listing installed applications
- uninstalling an application
- installing an application with a small set of options

- Exploring the "help" option -- getting information about an option, etc.

Parameter for shell script, but processed in JCL

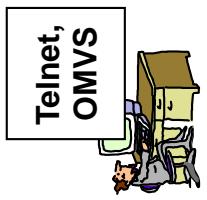
```
JCL  
BPXBATCH SH +  
/wasv5config/g5cell1+  
/AppServer+  
/bin/wsadmin.sh +  
-c '$AdminApp list' +  
/*
```



But as the input gets more complex, you want to keep things in a separate file ...

# Files Containing Script

It's called a "scripting interface" because scripting languages like "Jacl" and "Jython" can be used to drive the WSADMIN commands:



```
./bin/-> ./wsadmin.sh -conntype none -f /u/user1/install.jacl
```



```
install.jacl
set ear      "/u/user1/MyIVT.ear"
set node     "g5nodec"
set server   "g5sr01c"
# -----
set options [list -node $node -server $server]
# -----
$AdminApp install $ear $options
$AdminConfig save
```

Fairly simple  
script ... not  
a lot of fancy  
stuff going  
on here ...

## Script processing allows:

- **passing in parameters**
- **logic tests (if-then-else)**
- **built-in functions (count, length, string, etc.)**
- **error checking and handling**

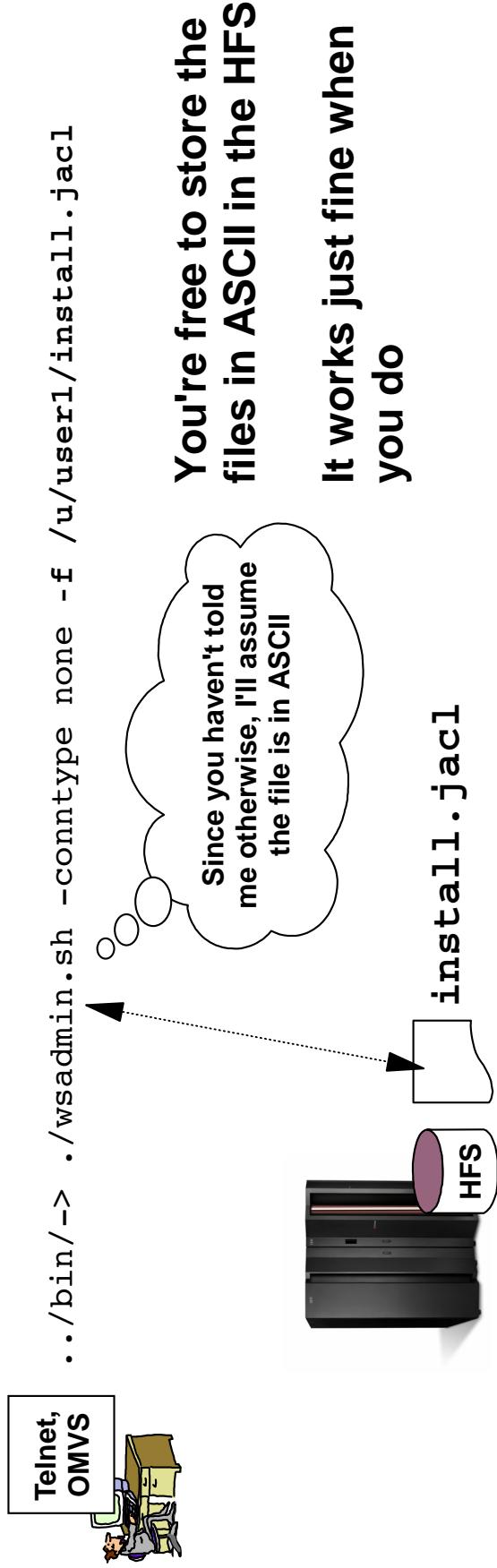
## Notes:

- "Jacl" is Java-based version of "Tcl" scripting language
- "Jacl" is default script-type expected
- Support for "Jython" in WebSphere for zOS Version 5.1

# WSADMIN Expects ASCII Script File



Be aware that WSADMIN client on z/OS expects -- by default -- for script files to be in ASCII encoding:



If file is really in EBCDIC and WSADMIN expects ASCII, it'll fail. But there is a way to tell WSADMIN that the file is in EBCDIC:

```
./wsadmin.sh -javaoption -Dscript.encoding=cp1047 -conntype none -f /u/user1/install.jac1
```

The -javaoption switch is used to pass in the type of encoding used by the script file

# The \$AdminApp Object

```
$AdminApp help
```

```
WASX7096I: Method: install
```

Arguments: filename, options

Description: Installs the application in the file specified by "filename" using the options specified by "options." All required information must be supplied in the options string; no prompting is performed.

```
installInteractive
```

```
list
```

```
listModules
```

```
options
```

```
publishWSDL
```

```
taskInfo
```

```
uninstall
```

```
updateAccessIDs
```

```
deleteUserAndGroupEntries
```

## Simple Example:

```
$AdminApp install /u/user1/MyIVT.ear {-node g5nodec -server g5sr01c}
```

Object	Method	Filename
--------	--------	----------

# \$AdminApp Options

The options method of \$AdminApp can be used to list back the tasks (or options) that are valid for a given EAR file:



```
WASX7112I: The following tasks are valid for "/u/user1/MYIVT.ear"  
BindJndiForEJBNonMessageBinding  
MapEJBRefToEJB  
MapWebModToVH  
MapModulesToServers
```

:

```
server  
cluster  
cell  
node
```

:

```
appname  
verbose  
contextroot
```

:

```
defaultbinding.force  
defaultbinding.strategy.file
```

You can use help to list back general information on each of these:

```
$AdminApp help appname
```

```
WASX7232I: "appname" option; use this option to specify  
the name of the application. The default is to use the  
display name of the application.
```

Two shown  
on the  
previous  
chart

The InfoCenter is helpful in determining syntax of these options.

Let's look at a simple example and start the discussion on Jacl scripting

# Jacl Scripting Basics

Let's show how simple \$AdminApp command can be coded in Jacl:

```
$AdminApp install /u/user1/MyIVT.ear {-node g5nodec -server g5sr01c}
```

```
install.jacl
```

```
set ear "/u/user1/MyIVT.ear"
set node "g5nodec"
set server "g5sr01c"
#
#-----#
set options [list -node $node -server $server]
#
$AdminApp install $ear $options
$AdminConfig save
```

=

Simply setting variables with values for EAR file location and name, node and server

Using Jacl list function to create the options, including the enclosing braces.

More variable substitution, including options list

Use of \$AdminConfig save to save to the master configuration

Now simply point to this file either on command line or from JCL. Change variables to install different application or install into different server ...

# Passing Arguments into Jac Script

Shell Script

```
./wsadmin.sh ... -f /u/user1/install.jacl g5nodec g5sr01c /u/user1/MyIVT.ear
```

Pointer to Jac File

Parameters Passed Into Script

Special variable \$argv

```
g5nodec g5sr01c /u/user1/MyIVT.ear
```

Variables  
same as  
before

```
set node [lindex $argv 0]
set server [lindex $argv 1]
set ear [lindex $argv 2]
```

Jacl function lindex  
parses elements out  
of a list. It has a  
zero-offset.

```
set options [list -node $node -server $server]
```

```
# ...  
$AdminApp install $ear $options  
$AdminConfig save
```

Jacl script is now "generic" and can be used to install any EAR file into any  
server ... simply by passing in parameters.

# Nested Options

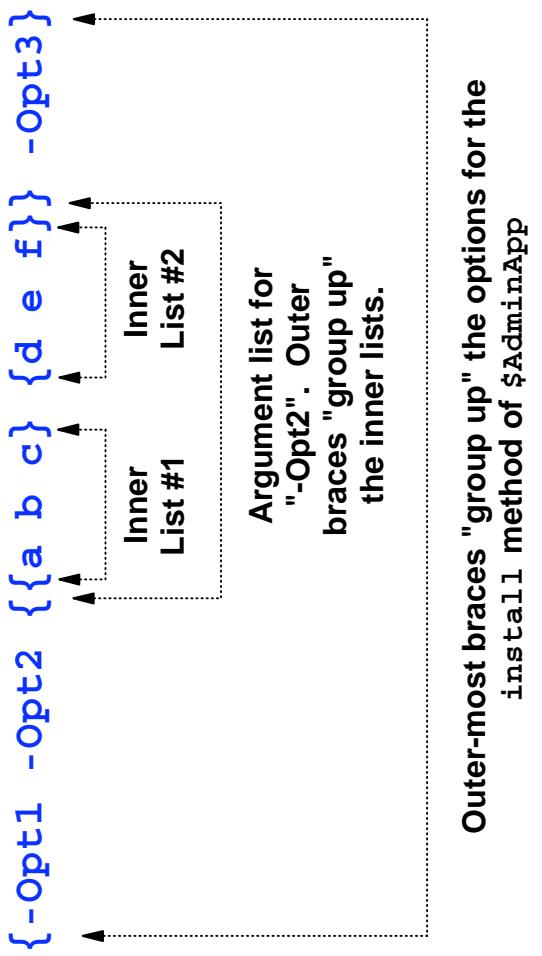
Some options have their own options ... which means it becomes necessary to nest option lists inside of other options:



**BBODIAAPP**  
(Installs Admin Console into DMGR)

```
:  
{-appname adminconsole  
-MapRolestoUsers {  
{"administrator" NO NO G5ADMIN G5CFG}  
 {"monitor" NO NO G5ADMIN G5CFG}  
 {"operator" NO NO G5ADMIN G5CFG}  
 {"configurator" NO NO G5ADMIN G5CFG}  
}  
-server dmgr  
-node g5dm  
-cell g5cell  
}  
:  
:
```

Simplified Schematic Diagram:



## Two ways you can build this with Jacl:

```
set inner_1 [list a b c]  
set inner_2 [list d e f]  
1 set Opt2_arg [list $inner_1 $inner_2]  
set options [list -Opt1 -Opt2 $Opt2_arg -Opt3]
```

```
2 set options [list -Opt1 -Opt2 [list a b c] [list d e f] ] -Opt3]
```

This is one of the most challenging aspects of WSADMIN and Jacl -- understanding the exact structure of option syntax, and matching up the braces.

# \$AdminConfig Object

\$AdminConfig is used to create, modify or delete things in the configuration. This object has quite a few methods:

```
$AdminConfig help
```

```
attributes          required
checkin            reset
convertToCluster   save
create             setCrossDocumentValidationEnabled
createClusterMember
createDocument     setSaveMode
setValidationLevel
installResourceAdapter show
createUsingTemplate showAll
defaults           showAttribute
deleteDocument    types
existsDocument    validate
extract            getCrossDocumentValidationEnabled
getId              getObjectIdName
getSaveMode        getValidationLevel
getValidationSeverityResult
hasChanges         getValidationLevel
help               hasChanges
listTemplates      help
modify             listTemplates
parents           modify
queryChanges       parents
remove             queryChanges
remove             remove
```

**Further, these methods operate against configuration "types" -- specific configuration objects such as server, clusters and many more.**

```
$AdminConfig types
```

```
.....  
AdminInService  
Agent  
:  
WASQueueConnectionFactory  
WASTopicConnectionFactory  
WebContainer  
WebModuleConfig  
WebModuleDeployment  
WorkloadManagementServer .....
```

**255 Total!**

**When you create or modify part of the configuration, you'll be working against a "type"**

# Exploring virtualHost Type

First, use attributes method to list out the possible attributes for VirtualHost:

```
$AdminConfig attributes virtualHost  
  "aliases HostAlias*"  
  "mimetypes MimeEntry*"  
  "name String"
```

## Three attributes:

- aliases -- asterisk on "HostAlias" indicates there's more to this
- mimetypes -- asterisk indicates there's more
- name -- no asterisk: this is lowest level. "name" is attribute, a text string is its value

Next, drill down on the HostAlias type with attributes:

```
$AdminConfig attributes HostAlias  
  "hostname String"  
  "port String"
```

## Two attributes:

- hostname -- a string value
- port -- a string value

Finally, use required to determine minimum settings:

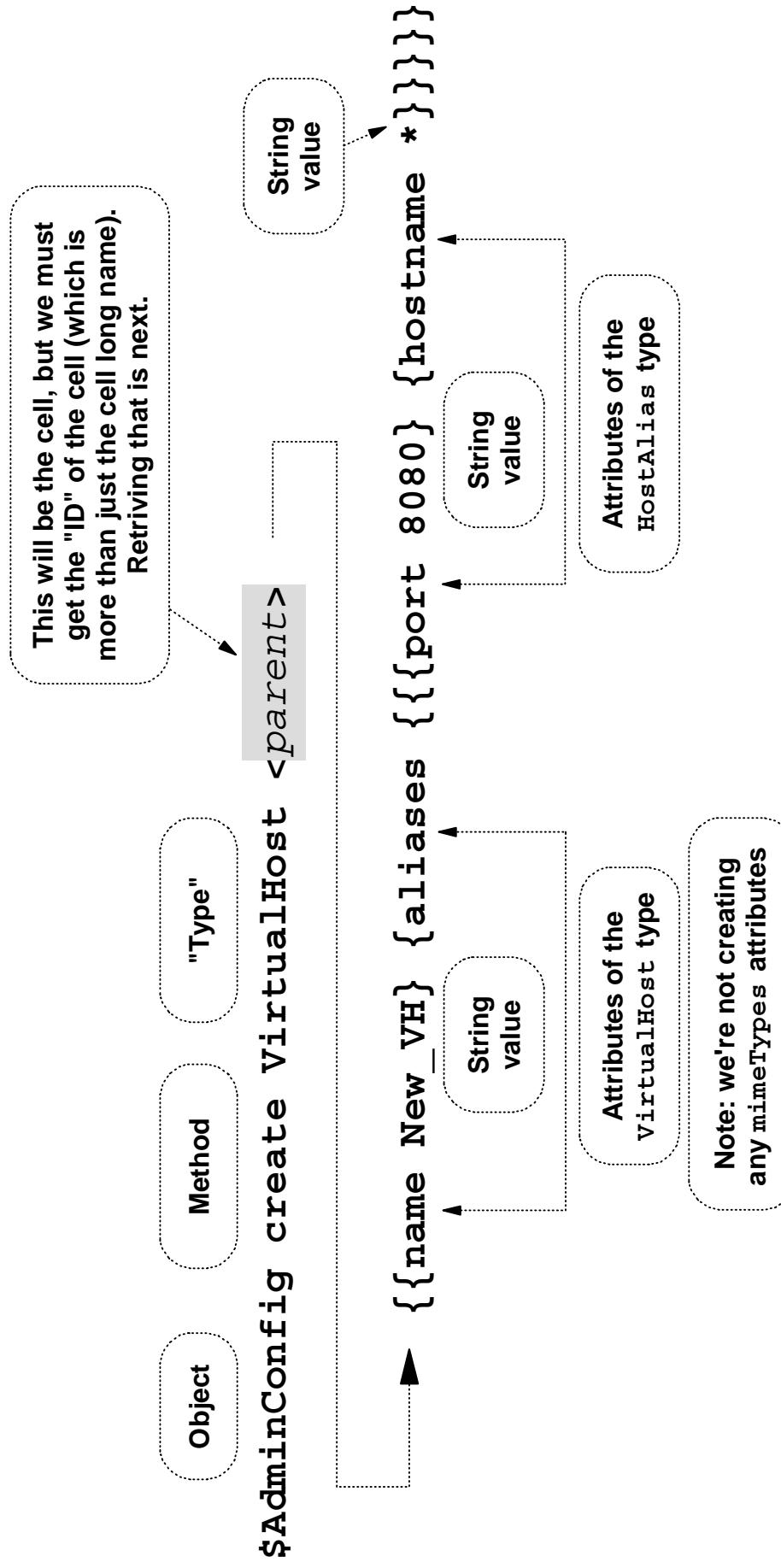
Attribute	Type	String
name		

Let's see example of actual \$AdminConfig command to create a new VirtualHost ...

You can get away with only the "name" attribute. VirtualHost won't actually work, but WSADMIN will allow it be created.

# Creating a New Virtual Host

The following shows the syntax of a \$AdminConfig command used to create a new virtual host called New\_VH. It'll have one port (8080) with a hostname of " \* "



Yes, it would be easier to do this through the Admin Console. One-off things like this won't be what you use WSADMIN for. Repeatable things ... yes.

# Using `getid` to Get `<parent>` Value

The `getid` method will return the unique "ID" value for a configuration object.  
You must supply a "containment path":

```
g5cell (cell/g5cell:cell#cell_1)
```

"Containment Path"  
of the cell long name

```
set cell_id [$AdminConfig getid /cell:g5cell/]  
$AdminConfig create VirtualHost $cell_id ...
```

```
set cell "g5cell"  
set vh_name "New_VH"  
set host1 "*"  
set port1 "8081"  
# -----  
set cell_id [$AdminConfig getid /cell:$cell/]  
# -----  
set name [list "name" $vh_name]  
set p1 [list port $port1]  
set h1 [list hostname $host1]  
set pair1 [list $p1 $h1]  
set aliasAttrs [list $pair1]  
set aliases [list aliases $aliasAttrs]  
set vhAttrs [list $name $aliases]  
# -----  
$AdminConfig create VirtualHost $cell_id $vhAttrs  
$AdminConfig save
```

Notion of "ID" of configuration  
object becomes critical when  
`$AdminConfig` is used to  
modify an existing object.

Let's now turn to the  
`$AdminControl` object ...

# The \$AdminControl Object

```
$AdminControl help
```

↓  
The \$AdminControl object is useful only in  
"Remote" mode where WADMIN is connected to a  
server process

```
If -conntype NONE used, $AdminControl considerably hobbled
```

Further, WADMIN must be connected to a server in  
which the Admin Application is running  
Possible to connect to Node Agent or AppServer in ND configuration, but  
\$AdminControl won't work.

**Examples:**

```
$AdminControl startServer g5sr01c g5nodec
$AdminControl stopServer g5sr01c g5nodec
$AdminControl reconnect
$AdminControl setAttribute_jmx
$AdminControl setAttributes_jmx
$AdminControl startServer
$AdminControl stopServer
$AdminControl testConnection
$AdminControl trace
```

A very important \$AdminControl method is  
invoke ... that's used to synchronize to the  
nodes in a Network Deployment configuration ...

# Using invoke Method to Sync Nodes

Updates made to the "master configuration" are not usable until they are "synchronized" to the nodes. This is done with the `invoke` method:

## Synchronizing with a single, specific node

```
WebSphere:platform=common,cell=g5cell,version=5.0,name=nodeSync,  
mbeanIdentifier=nodeSync,type=NodeSync,node=g5nodec,process=nodeagent
```

```
set var [$AdminControl completeObjectName type=NodeSync, node=g5nodec, *]  
$AdminControl invoke $var sync
```

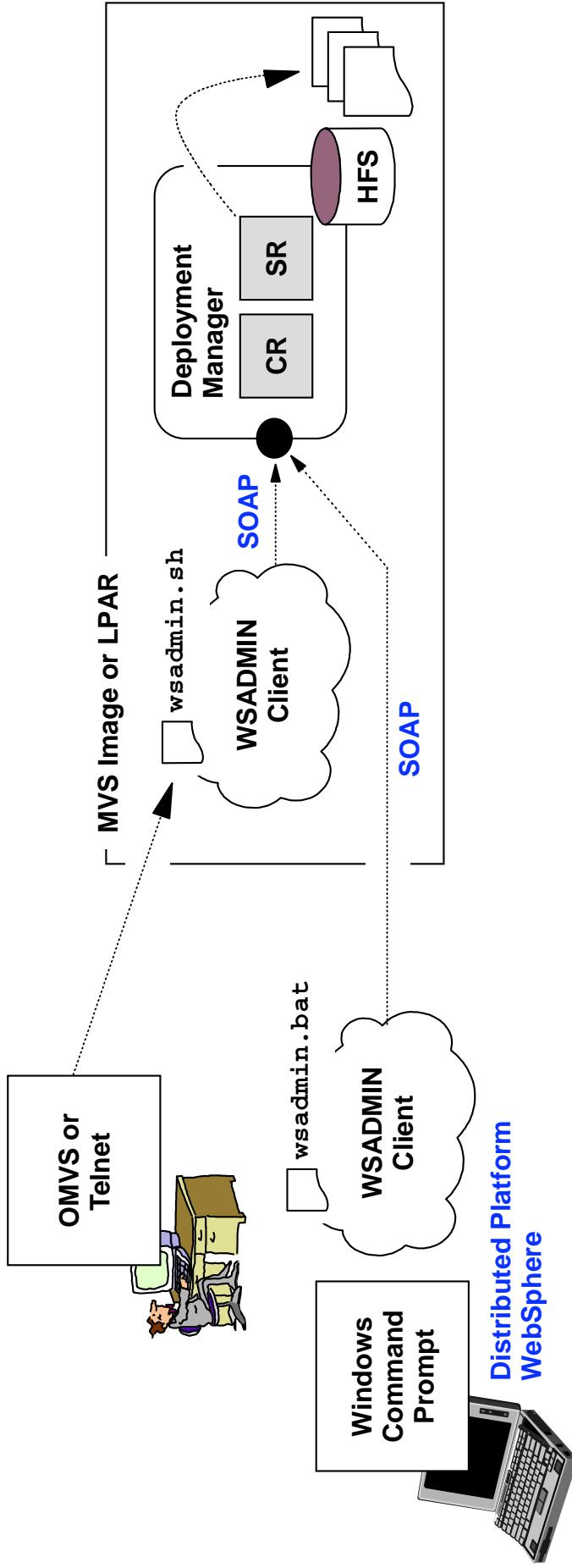
## Synchronizing with multiple nodes

```
set node_ids [$AdminConfig list Node]  
foreach node $node_ids {  
    set node_name [$AdminConfig showAttribute $node name]  
    set nodeSync [$AdminControl completeObjectName type=NodeSync, node=$node_name, *]  
    if { ! ($nodeSync=="") } then {  
        $AdminControl invoke $nodeSync sync  
    }  
}
```

```
All nodes  
in a cell:  
  
set c_id      [$AdminConfig getid /Servercluster:g5sr02cluster/]  
set c_memb   [$AdminConfig list ClusterMember $c_id]  
foreach m_id $c_memb {  
    set node_name [$AdminConfig showAttribute $m_id nodeName]  
    set nodeSync [$AdminControl completeObjectName type=NodeSync, node=$node_name, *]  
    set work [$AdminControl invoke $nodeSync sync]  
}
```

# If Global Security Enabled

Affects how you invoke WSADMIN in "remote" mode. ("Local" mode is unaffected by global security because it doesn't go through server.)



## Two things:

- Pass -user and -password in on invocation of WSADMIN:

```
./wsadmin.sh -connType SOAP ... -port 15510 -user g5admin -password #####
```

- Insure ID under which WSADMIN runs has proper CA Certificate in keyring  
Must have CA certificate used to sign default certificate of the DMGR controller ID's keyring

# User/Password Passed In



```
./wsadmin.sh -conntype SOAP -host wsc3.washington.ibm.com  
-port 15510 -user G5ADMIN -password XXXXXXXX -f /u/user1/test.jacl
```

## Couple of points:

- The userid and password you send in needs to have READ access to the EJBROLE profile defined for the WebSphere cell  
*Does not have to be the "WAS Admin ID," but that will by default have access*
- You can hard-code this into the soap.client.props file and avoid having to send it in on each command line:

```
# JMX SOAP connector identity  
com.ibm.SOAP.loginUserId=G5ADMIN  
com.ibm.SOAP.loginPassword=XXXXXX
```

No user passed in

BBO00222I SECJ0305I: Role based authorization check failed for 506 security name <null>, accessId NO\_CRED\_NO\_ACCESS\_ID while invoking method getProcessType on resource Server and module Server.

User passed in, not in EJBROLE

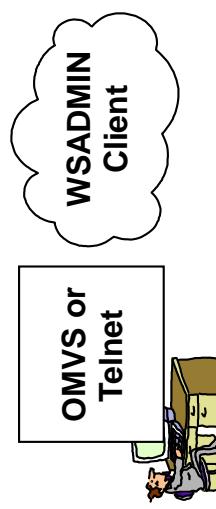
BBO00222I SECJ0305I: Role based authorization check failed for 507 security name <plex/ID>, accessId user:<plex/ID> while invoking method getRepositoryEpoch on resource ConfigRepository and module ConfigRepository.

# WSADMIN and CA Certificates

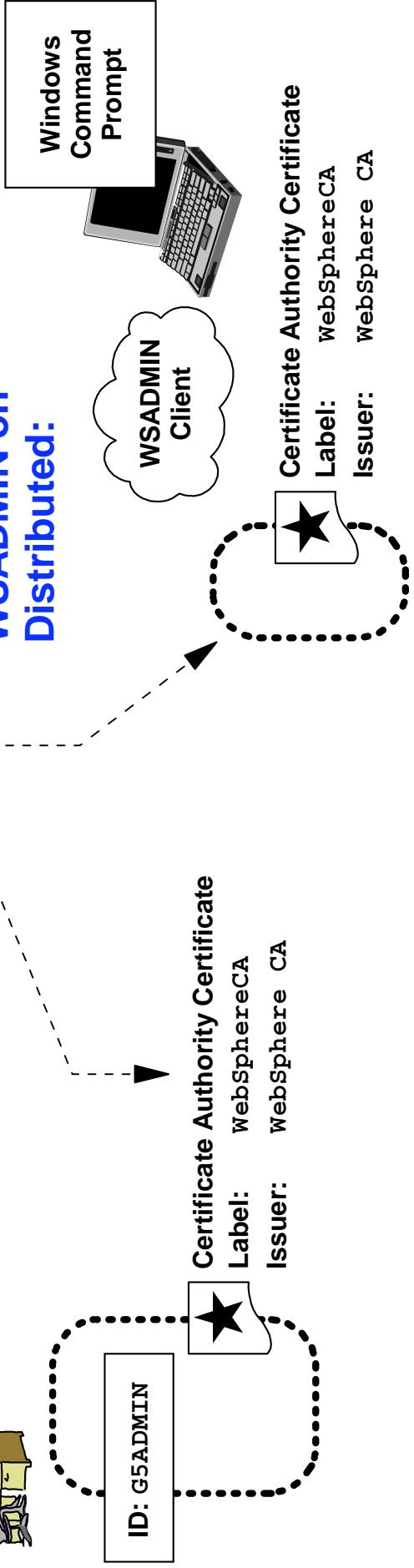
## Nutshell:

The Certificate for the CA who signed the DMGR's default certificate must be present in the keyrings of the client:

## WSADMIN on z/OS:



(Keyfile pointed to from the soap.client.props file)



## Error symptom:

WASX7023E: Error creating "SOAP" connection to host "<host>"; exception information:  
com.ibm.websphere.management.exception.ConnectorNotAvailableException

# Tracing of the WSADMIN Activities



**Two ways to control tracing:**

- Static from within properties file
- Dynamically with \$AdminControl



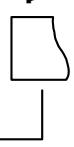
**/DeploymentManager**

**/logs**



**wsadmin.traceout**

**/properties**



**wsadmin.properties**

```
: com.ibm.ws.scripting.traceFile=/DeploymentManager/logs/wsadmin.traceout  
:  
#com.ibm.ws.scripting.traceString=com.ibm.*=all=enabled  
:  
Default state: off :  
:
```

**OMVS or  
Telnet**



**\$AdminControl trace com.ibm.\*=all=enabled**

**\$AdminControl trace com.ibm.\*=all=disabled**