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Gerry Voras wrote:

> Care to define what "SUS" is?

Hi

Microsoft Software Update Services (SUS) is a kind of "Windows Update" server you can set up inside your own network, where you centrally approve what security updates is to be distributed to the clients.

The clients use Automatic Update to connect to the SUS server and download and install updates that apply to that computer (note that there is no Windows Update GUI available).

More here:

Microsoft Software Update Services (SUS)

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsserversystem/sus/default.msp>

Patch Management Using Microsoft Software Update Services – Operations Guide

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/itsolutions/msm/swdist/pmsusog.asp>

Note that the current version will only install critical updates and security rollup packages (SRPs), as well as SP4 for Win2k and SP1 for WinXP.

A new version is in the works (SUS 2.0, renamed to WUS):

<http://groups.google.com/groups?selm=ungsInEZDHA.2336%40TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl>

SUS needs to be installed on a IIS server. Supports Win2k, WinXP and Win2k3 clients only. SP1 for WinXP and SP3/4 for Win2k installs the WU/SUS client as default.

Fyi, there is a separate newsgroup for SUS:

microsoft.public.softwareupdatesvcs

<news://msnews.microsoft.com/microsoft.public.softwareupdatesvcs>

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URL to the group softwareupdatesvcs for those who uses the Web interface to access the newsgroups:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsserver2003/community/newsgroups/dgbrowser/en-us/default.aspx?dg=microsoft>.

A Web site about SUS with a FAQ and a SUS forum:

<http://www.susserver.com/>

More SUS Web sites:

<http://www.cites.uiuc.edu/sus/faq.html>

<http://www.faqshop.com/sus/default.htm>

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Administration scripting examples and an ONLINE version of
the 1328 page Scripting Guide:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/community/scriptcenter/default.aspx>