

Re: AIX 5.2 verses AIX 5.3

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First thing here, I wouldn't do a hardware OR software upgrade on the storage side in tandem with an OS upgrade. I wouldn't even do a device driver update unless it was specifically required. My motto is one problem at a time.

I personally would stick with 5.2 -ML04, and latest patches from last month. I run several Oracle/Psoft servers all at this level and have had little issue with anything, including my EMC. You will need newer versions of PowerPath and CLArray software if you're using Clarrion. Email me if you need any help with that or....and don't forget emcpowerreset for the hdiskpower drive ODM definitions...I have that as well if you need it.

5.3 is brand new and I really haven't heard a peep from anyone about it.....and I don't like that to be honest

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Folks,

Sorry, have been away for a couple months so this question may have been asked.

We have two IBM P655 that fill a very critical role. Because EMC would not bless AIX 5.2 when we first got these systems, we stayed back on AIX 5.1. Now, we are about to have a major maintenance weekend and we are going to newer EMC hardware and software. So, my question is, do I take this opportunity to upgrade these two servers to AIX 5.2 ML?? (that I know is blessed by EMC, has been out for quite some time, is on all my other P655's and is stable)? Or do I jump to latest ML of AIX 5.3?

I have heard very little about AIX 5.3 so maybe it is obviously not ready for critical servers? Or has it too been debugged by many sites using it? If you recommend 5.3, are there ML's and which one do I want to go too?

Thanks,

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