

Bring your intranet to the IBM i With Drupal and Zend Server

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Audience

- Manager looking for Intranet/place to put stuff
- Developers looking to leverage PHP
- Excess CPW
- Avoid buying more Intel servers
- Executive looking for new home base for apps



Agenda

- Zend Server
- MySQL on IBM i
- Review of Drupal
- Drupal Installation
- Drupal in action
- Implement cron (batch) scripts with Zend
 Server Job Queue
- Wrap-up



Questions?

- If you have a question you can
 - ▶ Type in the Chat panel

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Resources

- Recorded Webinars
 - http://www.zend.com/en/resources/webinars/i5-os
- Zend Server for IBM i main page, link to downloads
 - http://www.zend.com/en/products/server/zend-server-ibm-i
- Zend Server manual:
 - ▶ PDF: http://www.zend.com/topics/Zend-Server-5-for-IBMi-Reference-Manual.pdf
 - ▶ Online: http://files.zend.com/help/Zend-Server-5/zend-server-5/zend-server.htm#installation_guide.htm



On the road with Zend





- Techfest 2010 Dallas, TX
- July 30, 2010
- http://www.zend.com/en/company/news/event/dallas-techfest
- COMMON San Antonio, TX
- October 4-6, 2010

- www.common.org
- ZendCon 2010 Santa Clara, CA November 1-4, 2010
 - http://www.zendcon.com/



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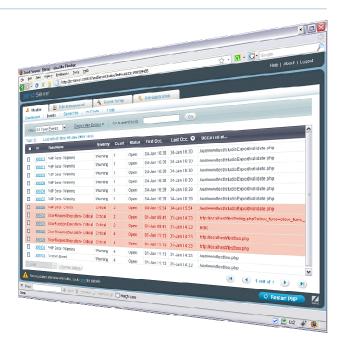
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Technical overview



What Is Zend Server?

- Production quality PHP stack
 - PHP, ZF, DB connectivity, debugging extension, and more
- Two Editions Free "Community Edition" provided by IBM & Full commercial edition
 - Both are production ready
- Application monitoring and diagnostics (integrated with Zend Studio)
- Multi-level performance enhancement capabilities
- Software updates and security hot fixes
- Easy and quick installation
- Zend Framework Integration





Zend Server for IBM i

- Next generation of PHP stack for IBM i
- Best of both Zend Core and Zend Platform
- Single Licensed Program Installation
- Two products
 - ▶ Zend Server for IBM i Community Edition
 - Available at no charge per IBM partnership
 - Zend Server for IBM i
 - Subscription available from Zend
 - High value extra features
 - Higher Support SLAs



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MySQL



Why run MySQL when I have DB2?

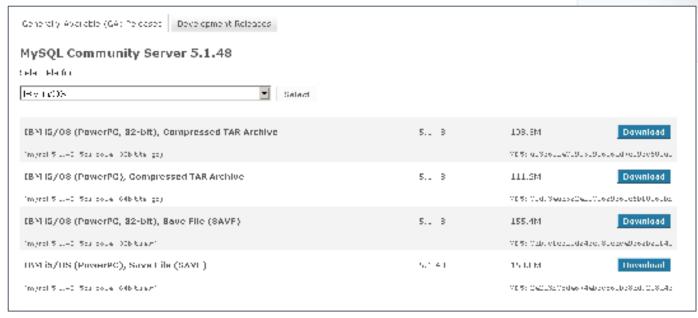
- Access to thousands of Open Source Apps
- Easy to use Database
- Open the door to new report options
 - Zend Server simultaneous connections to:
 - DB2
 - MySQL
 - Microsoft SQL Server
 - PHP Toolkit (RPG & COBOL programs & more)
- DB2 Storage Engine
 - Application thinks it's writing to MySQL
 - Data store resides in DB2
 - ▶ RPG applications can now access data!





Where do I get it?

- Bundled in Zend Server for IBM i
 - Convenient installation
 - Use QSECOFR!
- Also available at MySQL website







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Drupal





Drupal is popular





Statistics

- Nearly 1/3rd of the Internet is running PHP
- About 1% of all internet websites are running Drupal
- Drupal is second only to WordPress as a content management site (backendbattles.com)







- Dries Buytaert PHD dissertation starts Drupal by accident
- 1999: Developed a message board while studying LAN tech
- 2000: Received a lot of interest from folks
- 2001: Turned it loose as open source Drupal
- 2007: Forms Acquia
- 2008: Dries defends his dissertaion
- 2009: Acquia helps launch Whitehouse.gov
- Today: Current project lead





Drupal itself

- Current version 6.17
 - Available at drupal.org
 - Loads of features like: blogs, forums, RSS, Generic content, etc.
 - Key enhancements: Simplified installer,
 Language support, Update status and more
- Next version 7
 - ▶ (no ETA, as of yet...)
 - Heavy focus on usability
 - Improving platform for developers
 - ▶ Some consider Drupal 7 another framework



DrupalGardens

- Runs on Drupal 7
- Hosted solution with three pricing tiers starting at free!
- No need to buy/run server
- Drupal in the cloud!
- Currently in beta
- Should be available around the same time as Drupal 7





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Drupal Installation

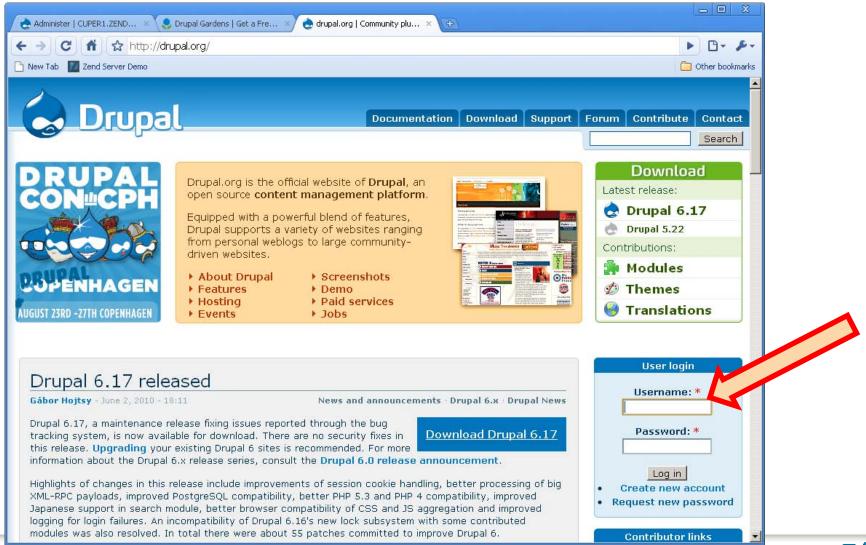


Drupal Installation Steps

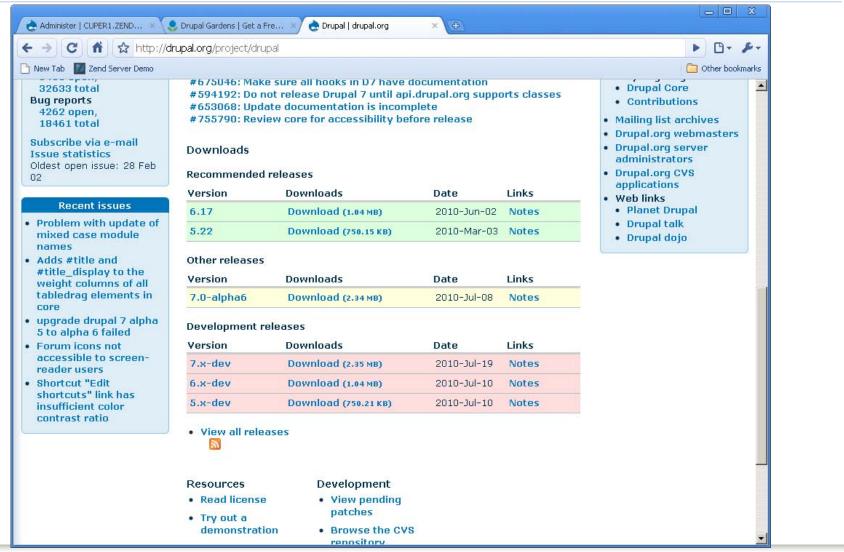
- Downlod drupal
- Move to the IFS
- Untar
- Create database
- Settings.php
- Run install script
- Have fun!



Download Drupal - Login first



Download Drupal 6...



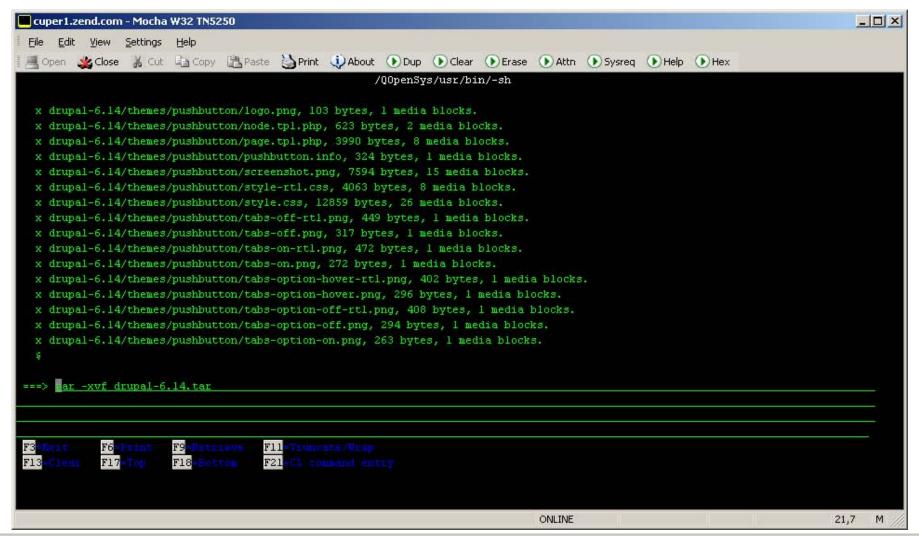


Unpack the file

- FTP file to the IFS of the IBM i
- Start QP2TERM to get PASE command shell
- Issue the standard TAR (Tape Archive) command
 - tar -xvf drupal-6.14.tar
- Command details: -xvf means...
 - x = Extract, v = verbose, f = Include file name in command
- Files are unpacked to a directory called drupal-6.14
- Tar command is part of LP's required for Zend Server!



Unpack output...





Copy the settings file and change security

- cp default.settings.php settings.php
- This makes a backup so you can restart if necessary
- Navigate to the default directory and change the security
- chmod a+w settings.php
- Remember where this file is as you will go back & reset



Create database in MySQL

- Navigate to the MySQL binaries directory
 - cd /usr/local/mysql/bin
- Issue command to start MySQL command line
 - mysql -u root
- Create profile information for drupal (i.e. drupalcon)
- Create the database
 - create database drupalbase1;
- Give drupalcon authority to the database
 - grant select, insert, update, delete, create, drop, index, alter on drupalbase1.* to 'drupalcon'@'localhost';
 - flush privileges;



Install Drupal

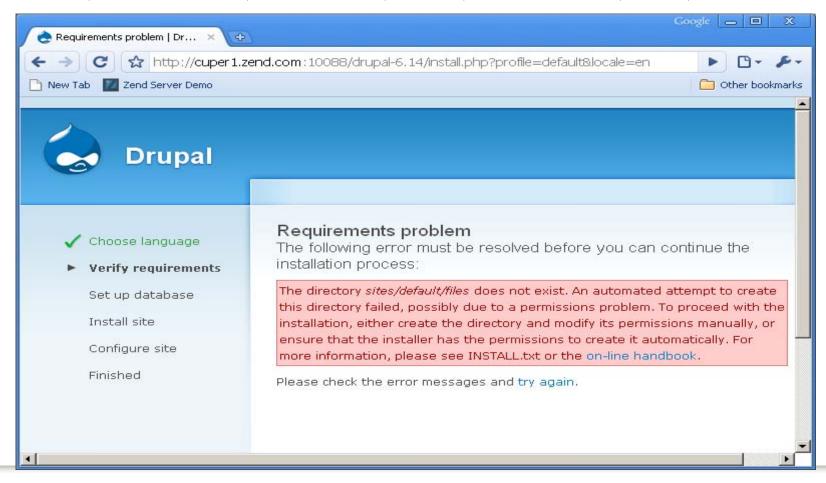
http://myssystemname:10088/drupal-6.14





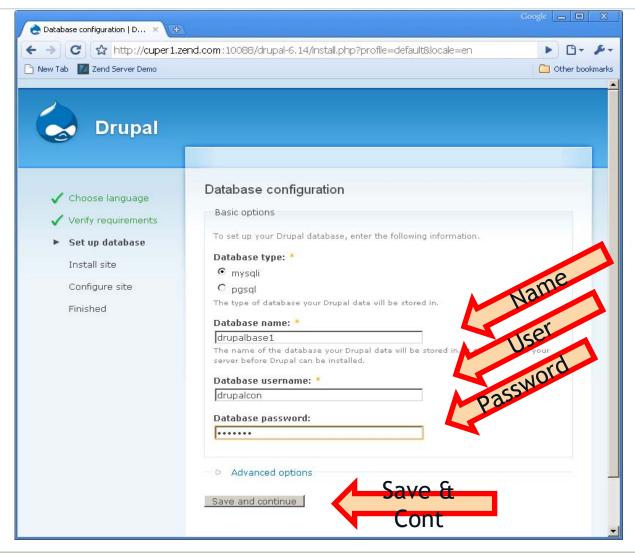
Attempt to write to document root

CHGAUT OBJ('/www/zendsvr/htdocs/drupal-6.14')
 USER(QTMHHTTP) DTAAUT(*RWX) SUBTREE(*ALL)



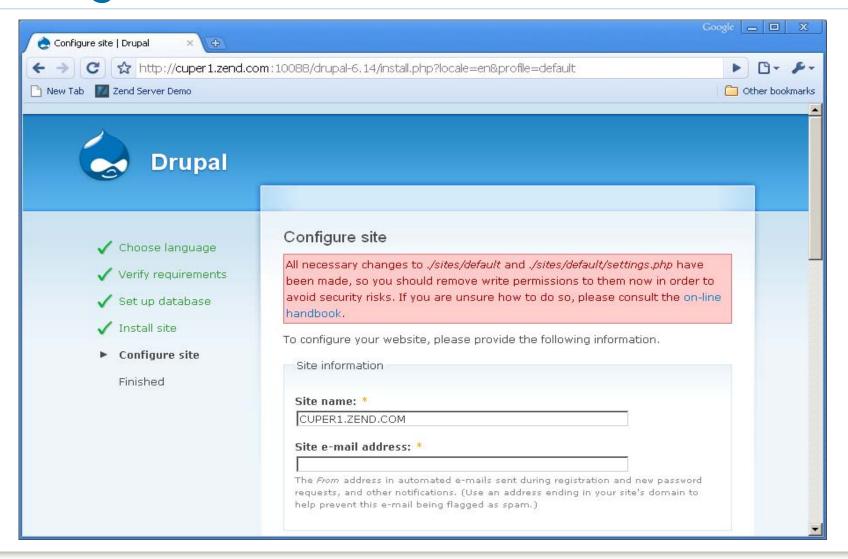


Setup database



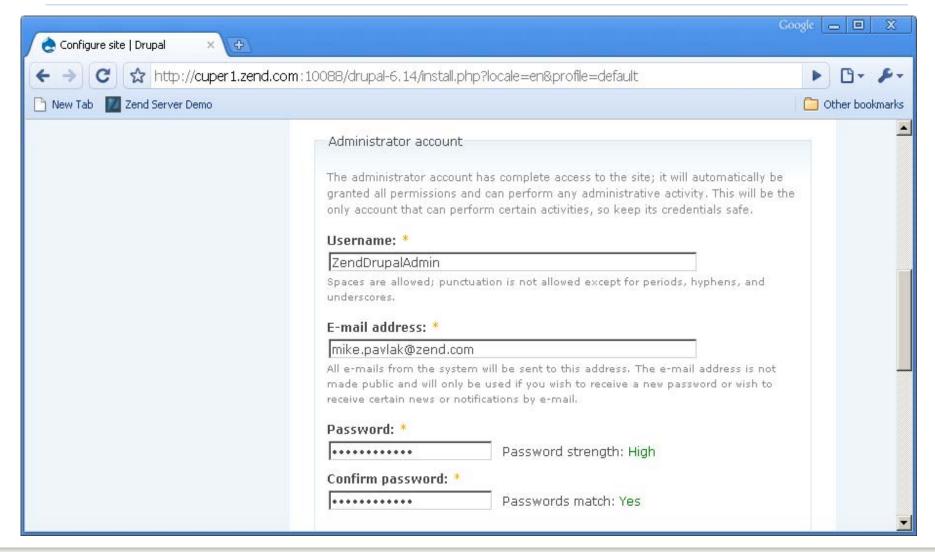


Configure



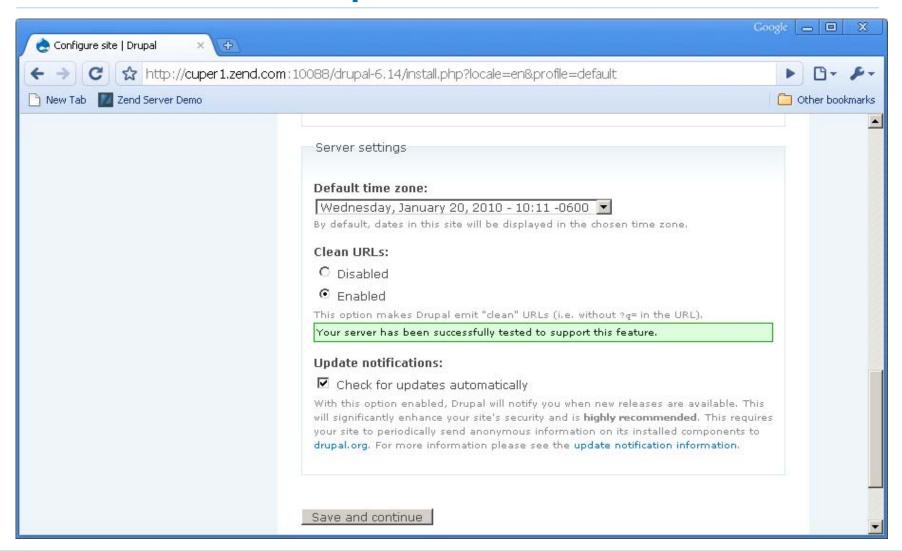


Setup the admin account



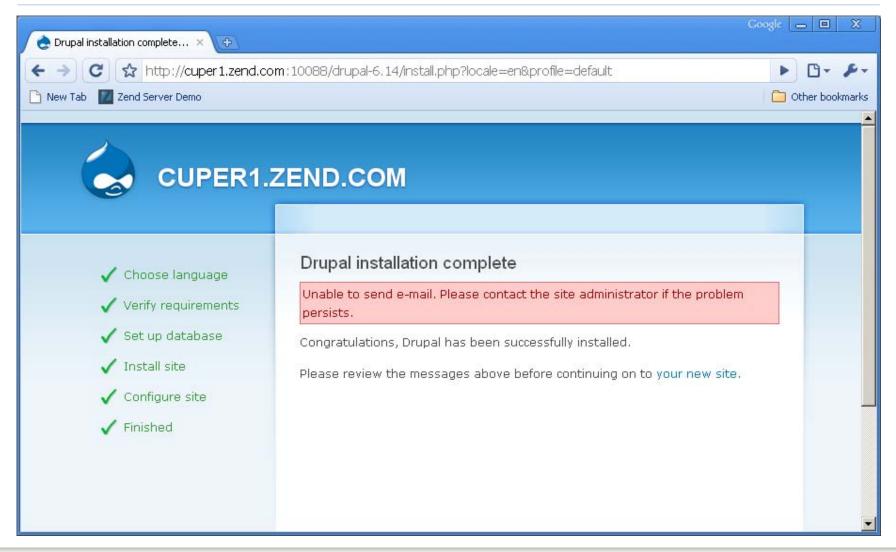


Set time zone & updates





Once completed, see summary screen...





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Drupal Tour



Tour key features of Drupal

- Module selection
- Theme selection
- Create page of content



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Zend Server Job Queue and Cron



Drupal updates via Cron job

- What is cron
 - Unix term for scheduled job (sound familiar?)
- Why periodically run the cron
 - Search module updates the index
 - Aggregator module retrieval of feeds
 - ▶ Ping module notification of other sites
 - System module's routine maintenance like pruning of logs
- Check Drupal documentation for all updates in cron



Drupal updates via Cron job

• How often do you run?

- It depends
- If content & activity is dynamic, run cron more often

Set up cron

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Configuring **cron** is an extremely important task in your Drupal website setup. Search module's indexing of your website's content, aggregator module's retrieval of feeds, ping module's notification of other sites of updates, and system module's routine maintenance tasks, such as pruning of logs, all depend a properly configured cron job.

What is a cron job?

Many Drupal modules have tasks that have to take place from time to time. Think of cron as the tolling of a bell, letting Drupal know that it should perform the appropriate tasks.

The actual "cron job" is a time-triggered action that is usually (and most efficiently) performed by your website's hosting server, but can also be configured by a remote service or even from your own desktop.

For your Drupal site, what actually happens is that the cron job triggers an invisible visit to the site's cron.php file (http://www.example.com/cron.php) which, in turn, executes tasks on behalf of installed modules.

- Configuring cron jobs
- Configuring cron jobs on DreamHost
- Configuring cron jobs on Media Temple Grid Servers (gs)
- Configuring cron jobs on Windows



Why would I schedule a job?

- Many Open Source applications have updates
- Updates are smartly distributed via a PHP script call
- Let's look at Drupal
- Cron job batch based update, needs no interactive
- Check Drupal documentation for all updates



Drupal cron Documentation





Zend Server Job Scheduler

- Can take a URL
- Also application and description
- Set a particular date/time
 - For a single event
 - For a recurring event
- Very powerful schedule process.



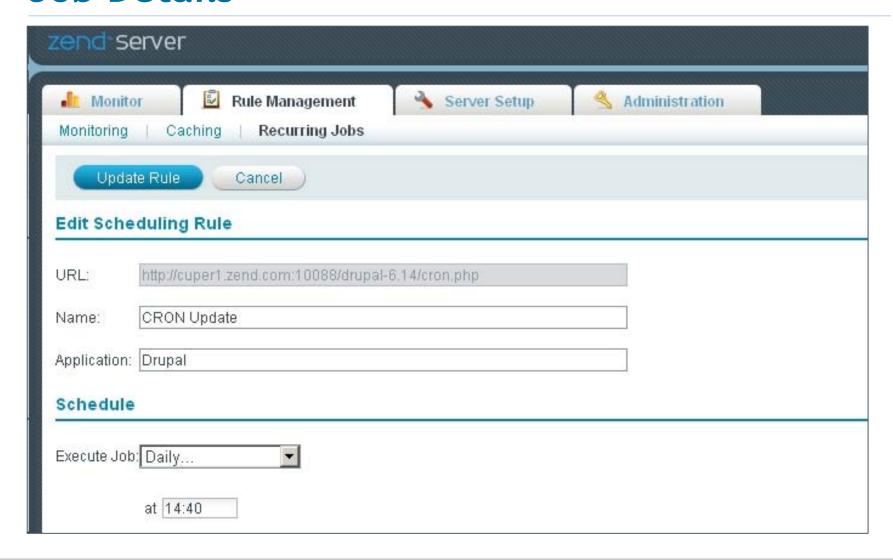
Zend Server Job Scheduler

- To see job scheduler
 - Navigate to Zend Server admin interface
 - ▶ Rule Management → Recurring jobs





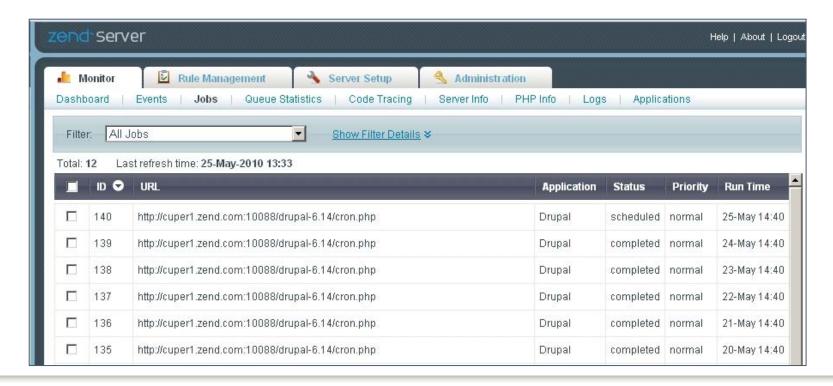
Job Details





How did the job do?

- Monitoring system will track batch jobs
- Can review output
- Navigate to Monitor → Jobs





But wait, there's more!

Page caching

- ▶ Not too exciting to most IBM i shops, unless...
- Very exciting when working with content management
- Built in to Zend Server
- Works a lot like caching on disk controllers.
- Save round trip to disk for static content and pages
- The less your content changes and the more your users access pages, the more you NEED page caching
- Cache one page or all



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Resources

- Drupal
 - http://drupal.org/
 - Documentation, code, downloads, modules, etc...
- Zend Server for IBM i main page, link to downloads
 - http://www.zend.com/en/products/server/zend-server-ibm-i
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