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Some things you should know about our Linux OS upgrade and working at Controls consoles in the field

- Some background
- Info about field consoles
- Summary slide (all you REALLY need to know)

Some background

Most Controls Linux computers (servers and consoles) are now running

Red Hat Enterprise Linux Workstation release <u>6</u>.3 (Linux WS 6)

Some of our computers are still running an older version like

Red Hat Enterprise Linux Client release <u>5</u>.7 (Linux WS 5)

because

- they have some special hardware or software that complicates the upgrade process
- they are older machines that have compatibility problems with the new OS
- we haven't gotten the upgrade scheduled yet

Type **WSversion** at a command prompt and you should see either

WS6 : Red Hat Enterprise Linux Workstation release 6.3 (Santiago) or

WS5 : Red Hat Enterprise Linux Client release 5.7 (Tikanga)

C++ Programs built on WS5 machines run on WS6 BUT...

Programs built on WS6 do NOT run on WS5 They do something like this if you try

<u>File Edit View Search Terminal Help</u>

Up until now, we have been

- releasing programs built for WS5
- testing programs built for WS6

We want to get out of this mixed mode

We have a high degree of confidence in apps built for WS6 based on

- test experience so far
- experience in past OS upgrades

Starting Wednesday (2/6) we will begin releasing programs built for WS6

If you work at a WS6 console (like the consoles in MCR), you shouldn't notice the change

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Help

If you are working at a console that is still at the WS 5 level

- Programs will display at your console but run from a WS6 host
- StartUp will do that for you automatically

Application PPM

• Typing StartUp on a command line runs StartUp from a WS6 host

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Find:	Reading console_file for auxiliary	16
	StartUp V3.0 for Linux Workstations Console Name: auxiliary Console Directory: /operations/app_store/Consoles/auxiliary/ StartUp Running On: acnlin66.pbn.bnl.gov X Display: localhost:11.0 ***********************************	
Display: this screen 🗆 🔲 Start in xterm		- 12 7

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If you are working at a console that is still at the WS 5 level

- Programs will display at your console but run from a WS6 host
- Typing 'run <programName>' on a command line will do it, too

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<u>File Edit View S</u>earch <u>Terminal H</u>elp
cscompute01 115:
cscompute01 115:run pet
OS: 5.7
Running program on acnlin66.
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<u>File Edit View S</u>earch <u>T</u>erminal <u>H</u>elp
acnlin23 111:run pet &
[1] 13793
acnlin23 112:0S: 6.3
Running program on local host. 'run' command not necessary.
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Other things to note

- The remote StartUp and *run* command will also work at our very old Tektronix Xterminals
- NX server acnuser01 is being upgraded to WS6 tonight (2/5/13)
- Wyse terminals need to be reset/configured to work with WS6 hosts (should be complete by the end of the day tomorrow)





All you REALLY need to know

- Start programs from StartUp and it will "do the right thing"
- At some consoles, you may need to type 'run <programName>' if you want to start programs at a command prompt
- This presentation will be posted in the Controls Wiki *What's New* section
- If you have problems, call for help