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Dell Extends the Scalable Enterprise with Eighth-Generation PowerEdge Servers

By John Fruehe

Eighth-generation Dell PowerEdge servers are designed as the foundation for a cost-effective network infrastructure that can grow flexibly to meet business needs—delivering excellent manageability, performance, and scalability across the enterprise.



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Remote Configuration of Serial and Telnet Interfaces to the DRAC 4

By Jon McGary and Carl Kagy

The Dell Remote Access Controller 4 (DRAC 4) provides a command-line interface designed to enable the configuration and systems management functions that an administrator would normally perform using the DRAC 4 Web-based graphical user interface. This article discusses the tools available to the DRAC 4 through serial and Telnet sessions, which help provide administrators with a quick, convenient way to manage remote systems.



Improving Server Security Through DRAC 4 User Role-based Permissions

By Jon McGary

The Dell Remote Access Controller 4 provides excellent remote access controller (RAC) security by giving administrators the capability to configure user permissions. This article focuses on the use of the RAC graphical user interface and Racadm command-line interface to add and configure RAC users.



Dell and VMware: Partnering to Deliver VMware Virtualization Software on Dell PowerEdge Servers

By Lara Benson and Simone Shumate

Dell and VMware partnered in Dell development labs to release the latest shipping version of VMware virtualization software on Dell PowerEdge servers—enabling enterprises to implement and manage simple, pretested virtual server configurations. This article highlights Dell and VMware co-development activities including certification, qualification, and beta testing that help support VMware products on Dell servers and Dell/EMC storage.



Managing Dell PowerEdge Servers Using IPMItool

By Tim T. Murphy

Dell promotes industry-standard server management capabilities through its support for Intelligent Platform Management Interface (IPMI) 1.5 technology in eighth-generation Dell PowerEdge servers. This article provides guidance on the preparation and use of an open source tool called IPMItool with IPMI 1.5-compliant Dell servers running a Linux operating system.