

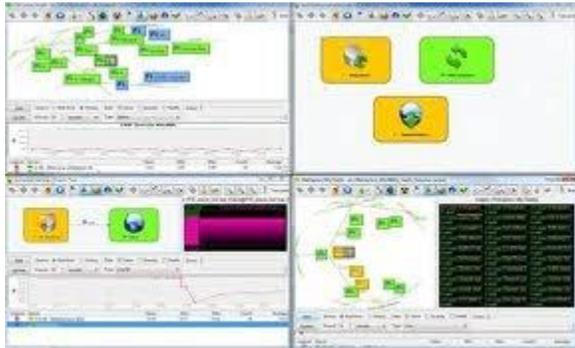
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## Nastel 's AutoPilot 6.5 Platform Manages Multiple Middleware Technologies

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Nastel's AutoPilot 6.5 simplifies the ability to monitor and manage applications end-to-end

across the enterprise by automating the analysis of complex issues. It also aims to help IT staff to be more efficient, and eliminate risks, said Charles Rich, Nastel's vice president of product management

“With AutoPilot 6.5, enterprises can begin to master the exploitation of big data and as a result resolve problems faster, retain customers and better understand customer behavior,” Rich said in a statement. AutoPilot works for both web and legacy application performance data and analytic.

Nastel's expertise is in providing end-to-end monitoring and automation solutions to ensure high performance and high-availability needed for SLAs and transaction integrity across integrated enterprise application environments and infrastructures. AutoPilot applies analytics across all middleware to ensure apps are performing well and enables governance over transactions, application performance, middleware and business activity.

AutoPilot 6.5 features:

- Single security model for all middleware
- Web-based GUI to make it easier to manage apps
- Enhanced z/OS monitoring, providing deeper operational support for System Z, CICS, WMQ and DB2

- Availability and performance monitoring of Cassandra (NoSQL database used in Cloud-based systems)
- Tracking business process flows and their status (milestones)

AutoPilot 6.5 can monitor the data for all of these platforms in a single solution and analyze them in conjunction with each other, Rich added. In his Nastel blog, Rich noted several benefits to this architecture:

“A unified middleware management strategy can be beneficial in removing some of the duplicate tools or at least funneling their events into a single view and analysis engine and thus reduce both cost and error. This strategy can also reduce some of the redundant processes that are tool specific.

“Furthermore, a single view across all middleware is just the ticket for the vital insight into compliance that enterprises need to stay on track with the ever increasing set of regulatory standards applied to business. This is especially helpful when there is also a way to control segregation of duties across all middleware solutions as opposed to a separate process for each solution.”

In operation, AutoPilot 6.5 uses an embedded virtual Complex Event Processing (CEP) engine to reduce application degradation and outages, as well as provide users situational awareness of the performance of their applications and resources. AutoPilot also gathers deep analytics and mines data infrastructure, web and mainframe apps to provide users proactive and predictive insights.