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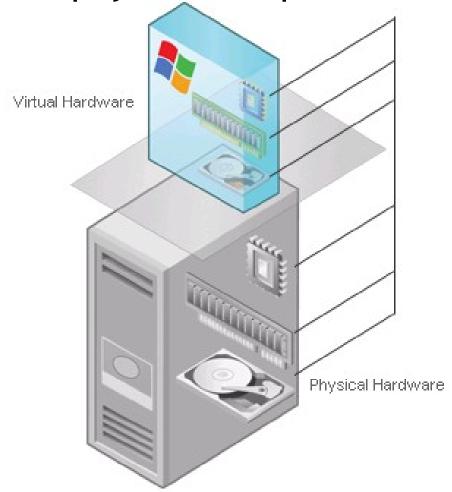
# Virtual Machines

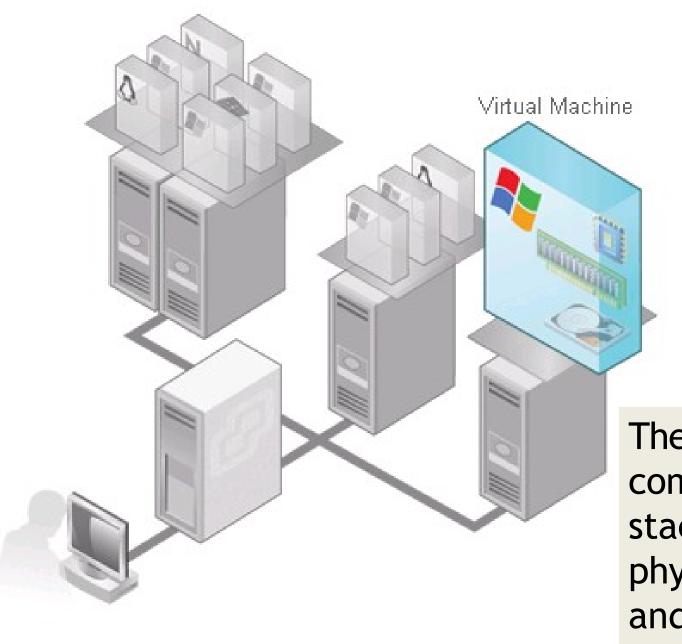
- What is this technology?
- Why would I use it?
- What does it look like?
- How would I use it?
- How do I get it?

# Virtual Machines Benefits

- In general, VMware virtual machines possess four key characteristics that benefit the user:
- Compatibility: Virtual machines are compatible with all standard x86 computers
- Isolation: Virtual machines are isolated from each other as if physically separated
- Encapsulation: Virtual machines encapsulate a complete computing environment
- Hardware independence: Virtual

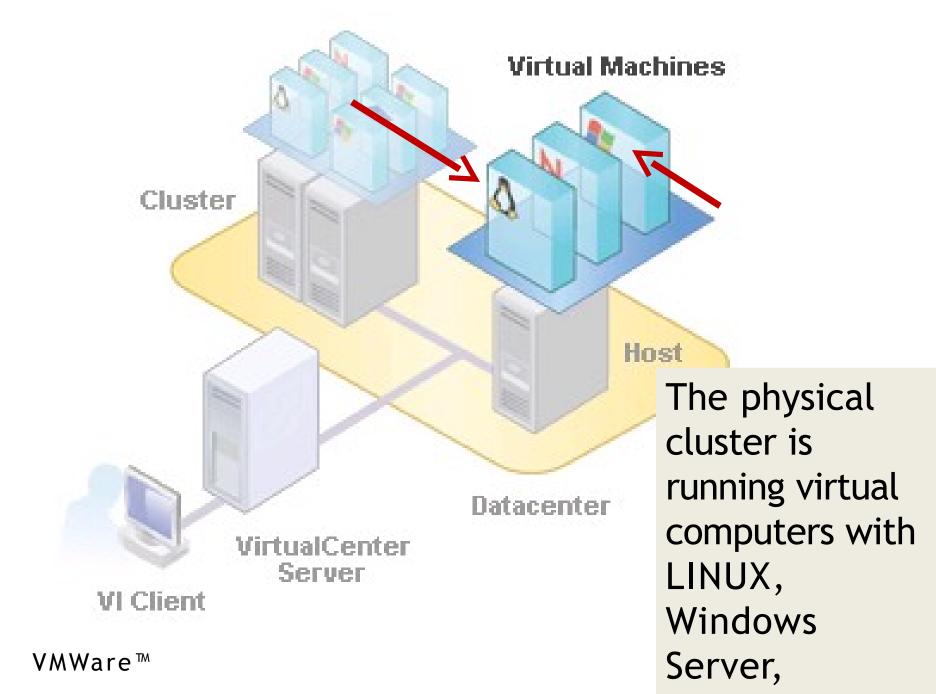
We create our own virtual computer that runs in a physical computer



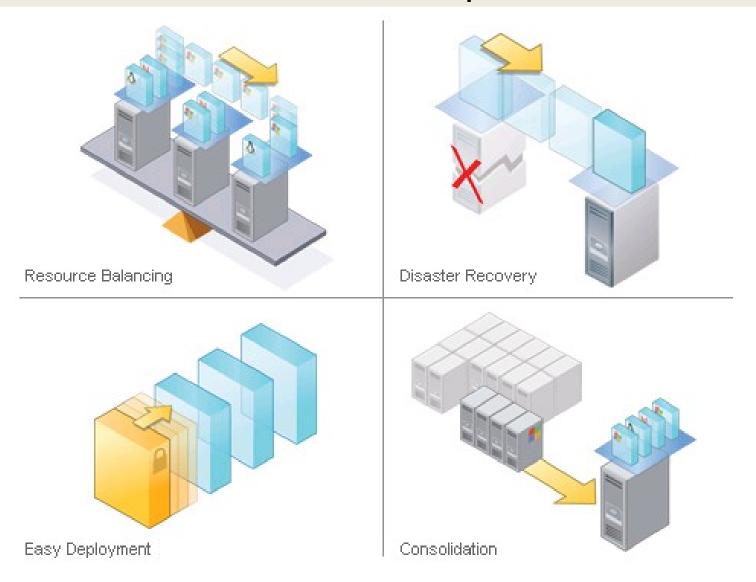


The virtual computer is stacked on a physical cluster and EACH has its own operating

VMWare™



# Four reasons to use virtual computer environment.



## **VMWare Workstation:**

### Pros:

- Rapid prototyping
- Easy to involve student programmers
- Bridged to internet for real testing

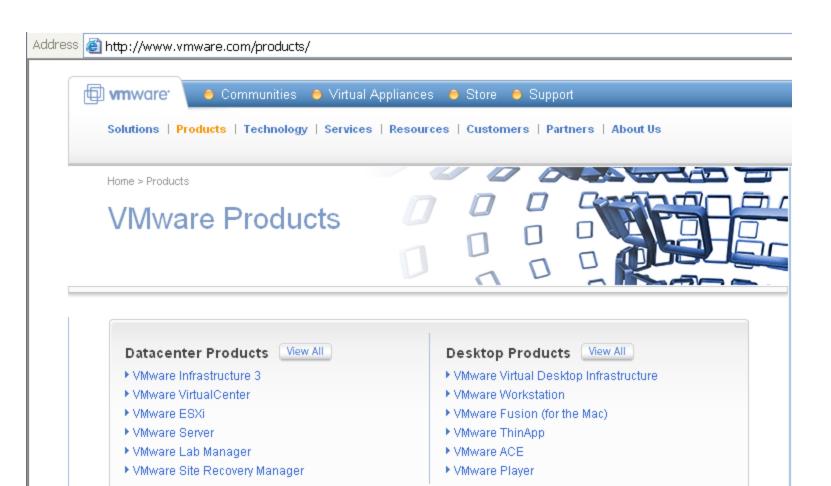
### Cons:

- Slower
- limited file access (image size includes harddrive allocation)

better for streaming data than for massive arrays of files.

# VM Server (Offsite Cluster)

- Rapid installation
- Better resource utilization
- Back-up and Recovery
- Freedom from Hardware limitations
- Cheaper than hardware (for School of Agriculture units)
- Computational speed is slower



### http://www.vmware.com/products/

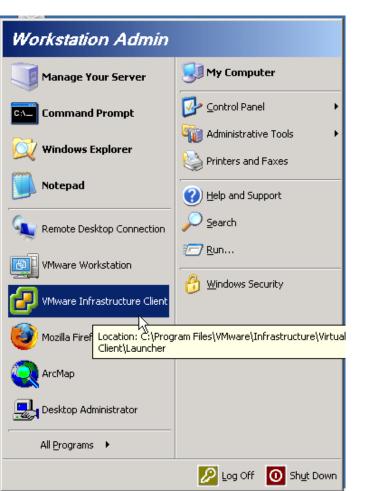
### **Products by Business Need**

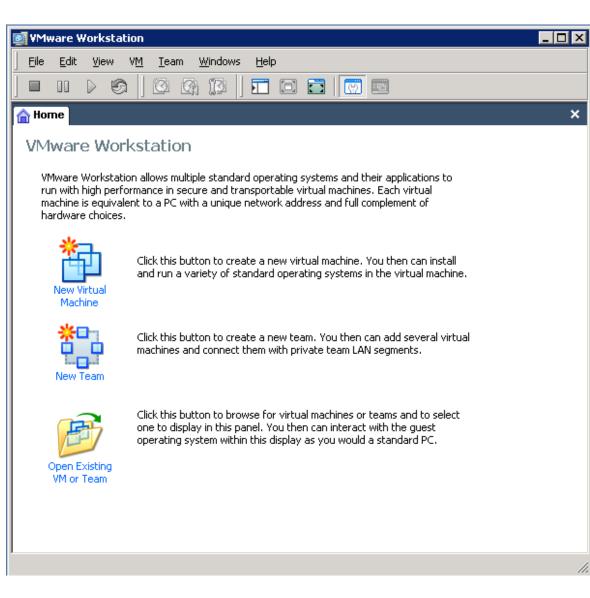
- ▶ Reduce Costs with Server Consolidation
- Business Continuity & Disaster Recovery

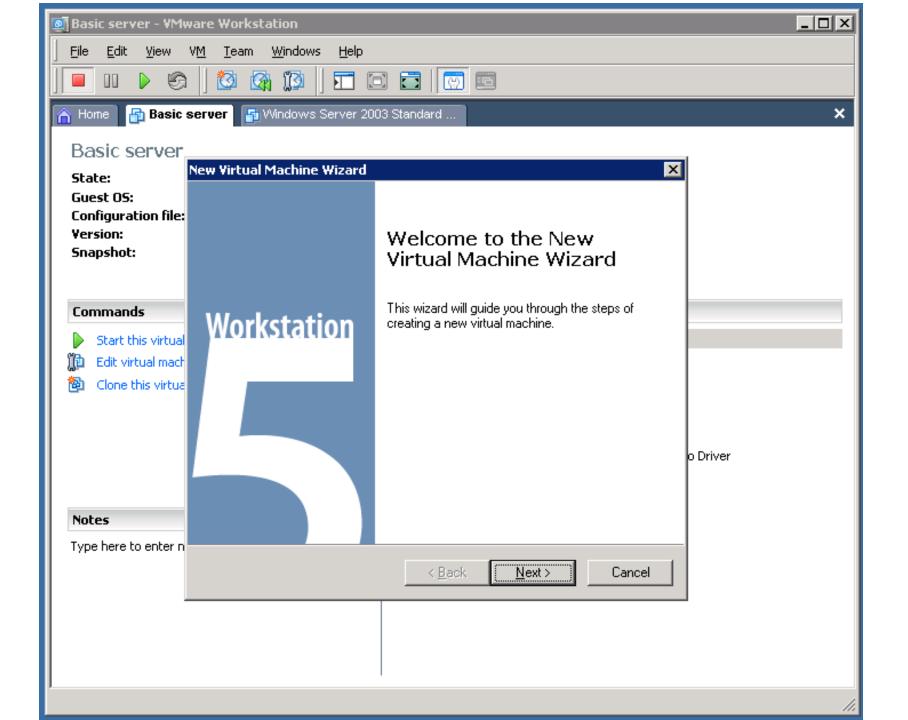
- ▶ Desktop Management & Control
- ▶ Virtual Lab Automation

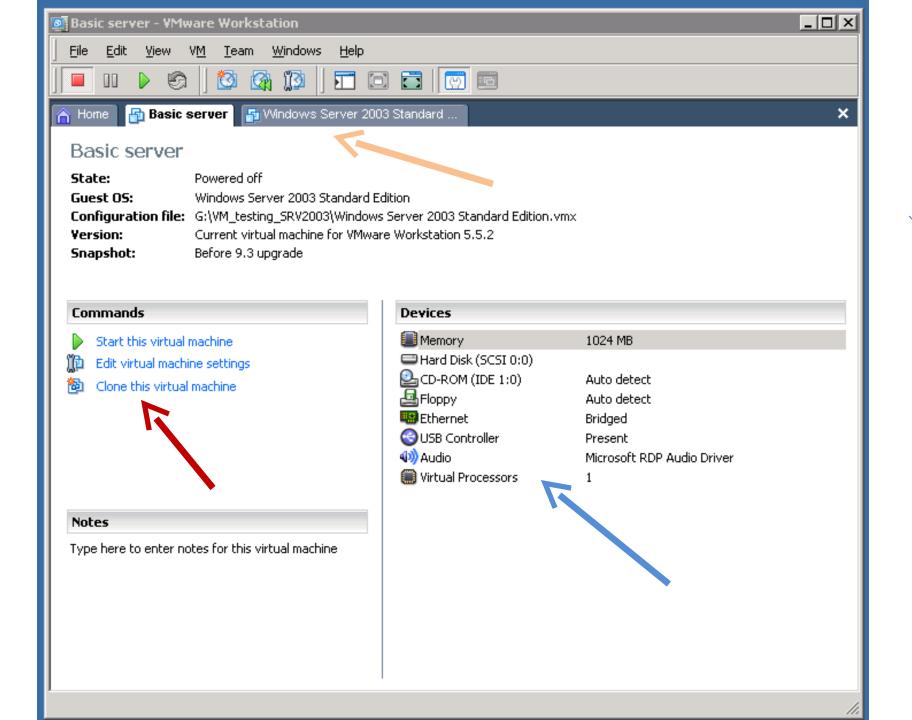
### VMware Products: From the Desktop to the Datacenter

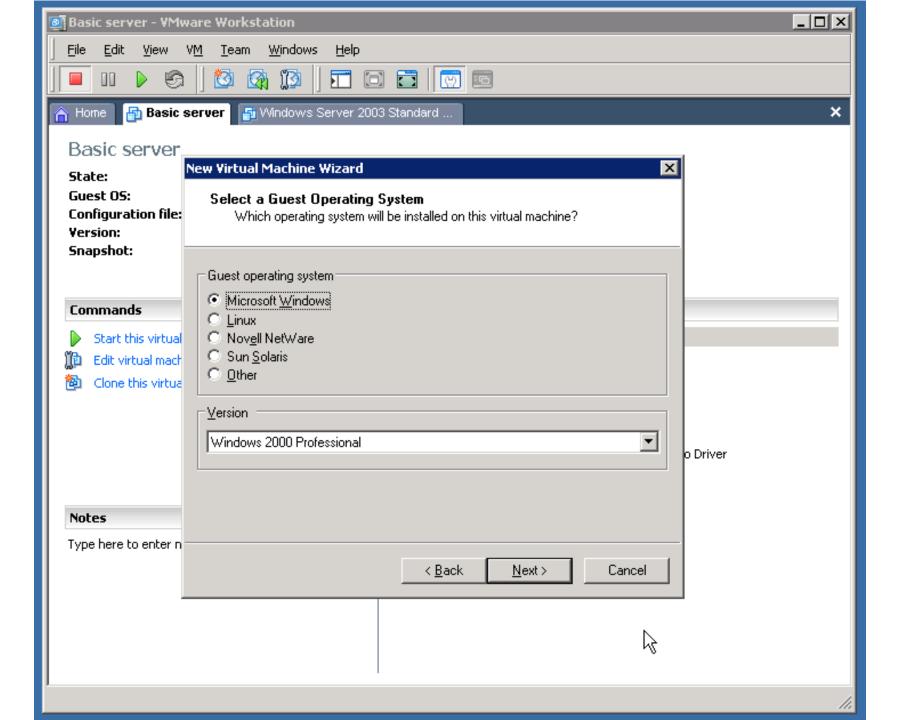
VMware is the recognized leader in virtualization technology solutions proven to increase the utilization of existing hardware and reduce capital and operational costs throughout the organization.

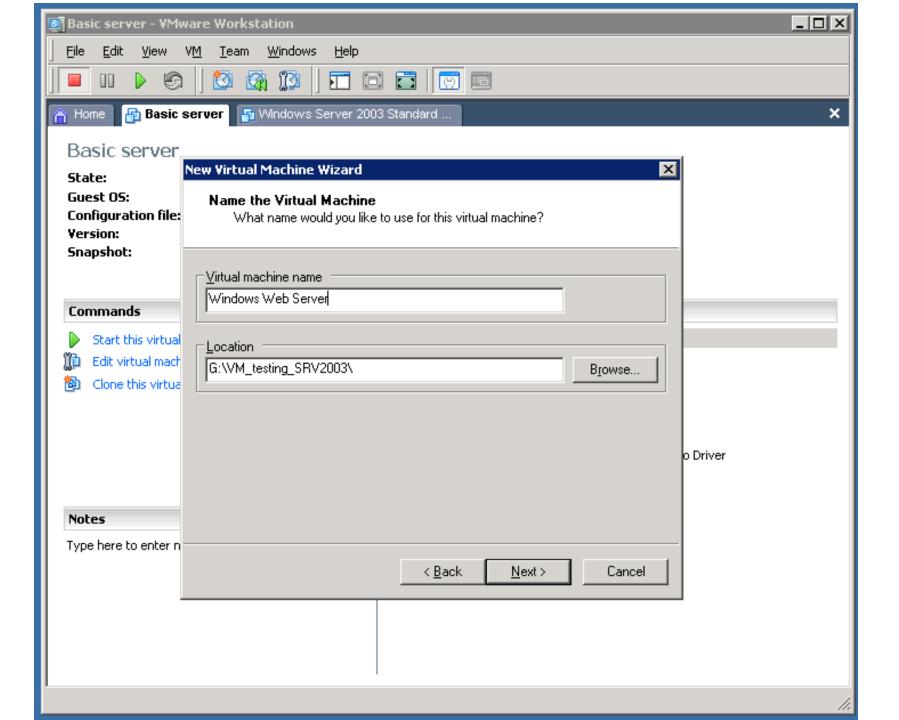


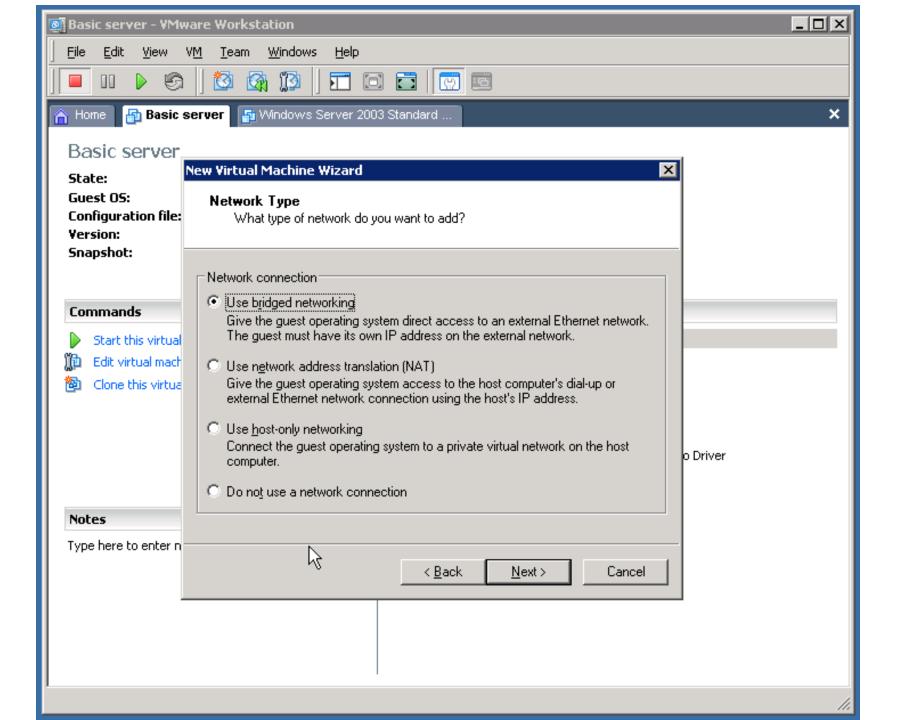


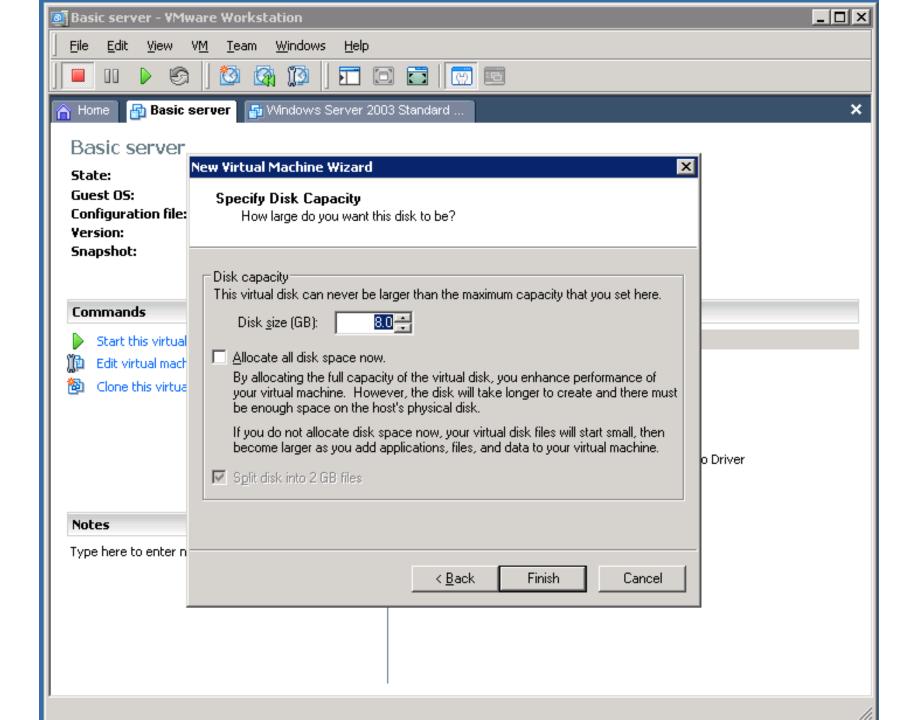


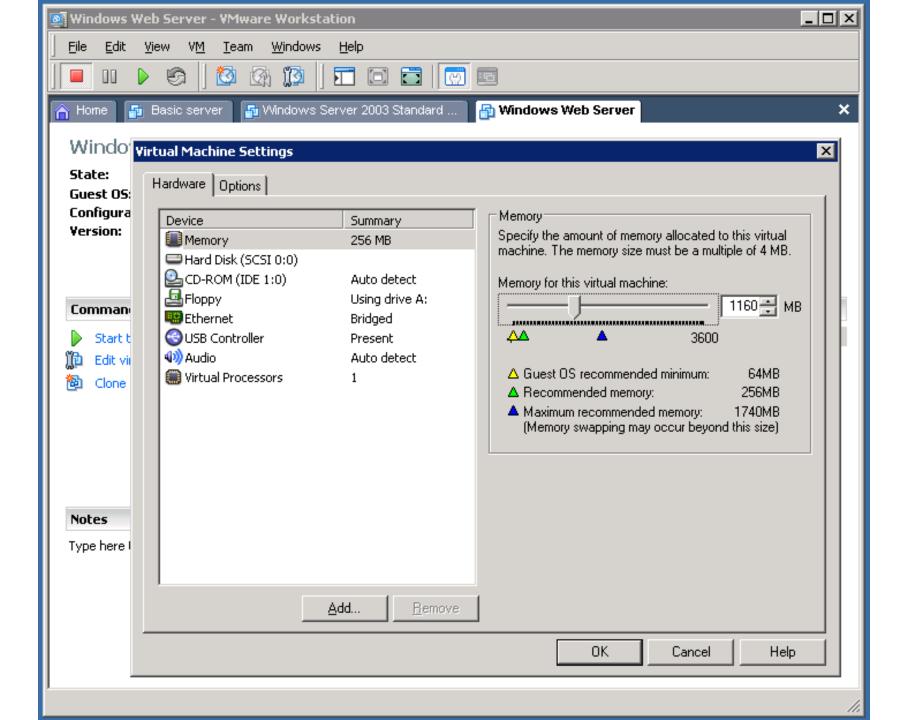


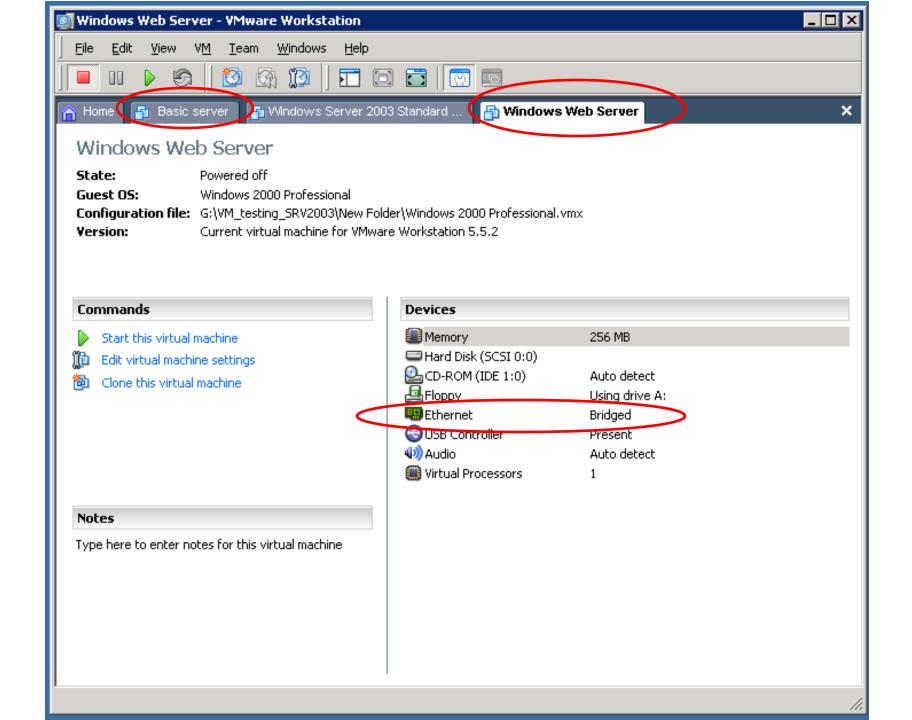


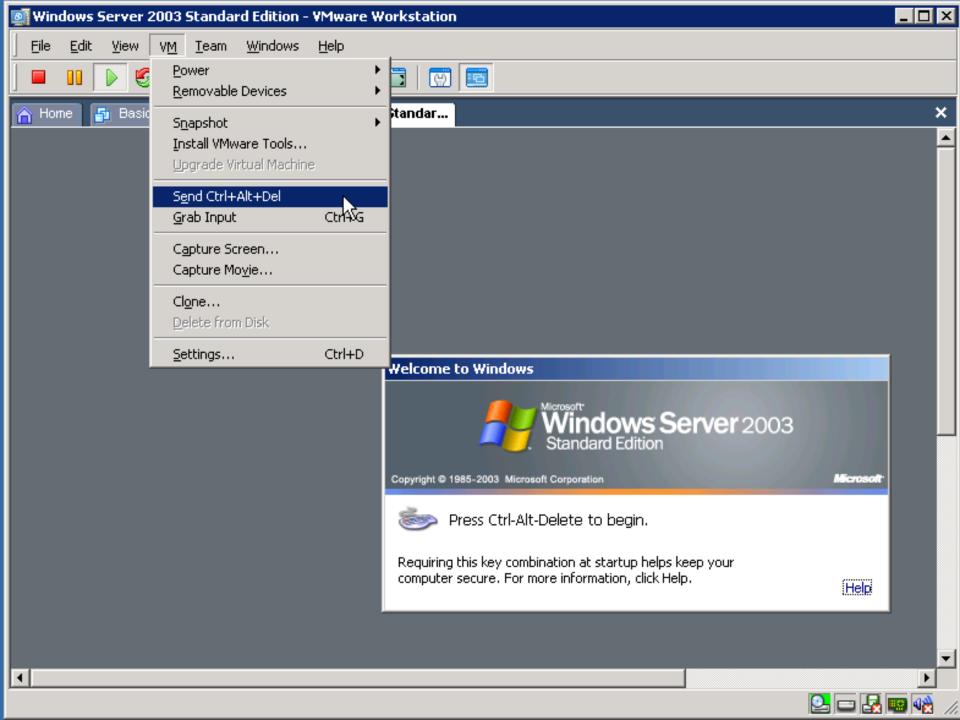


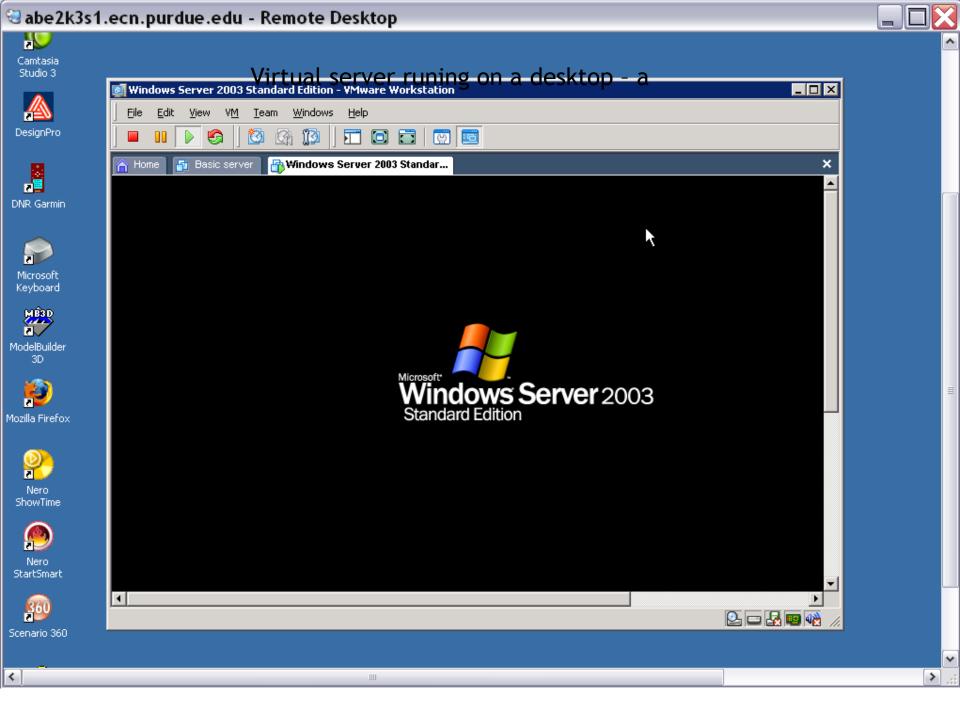


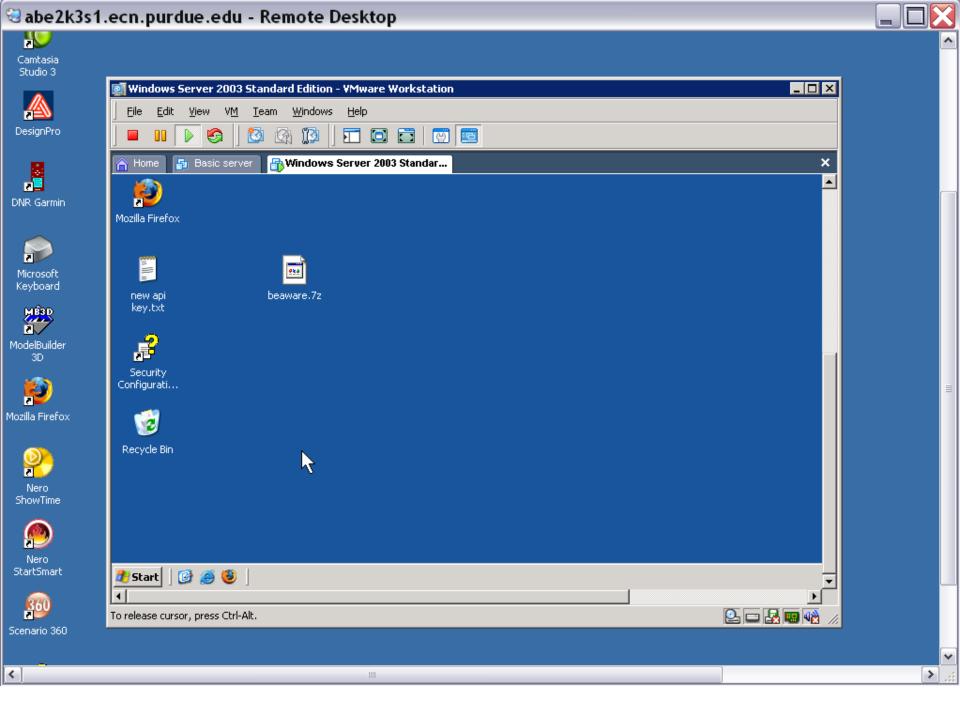


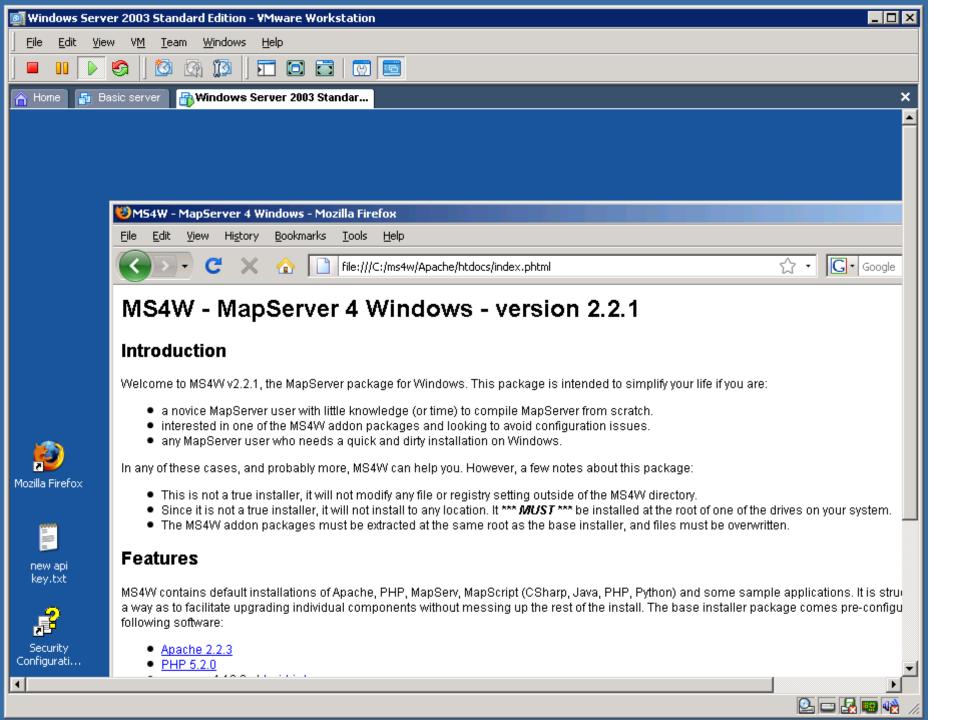


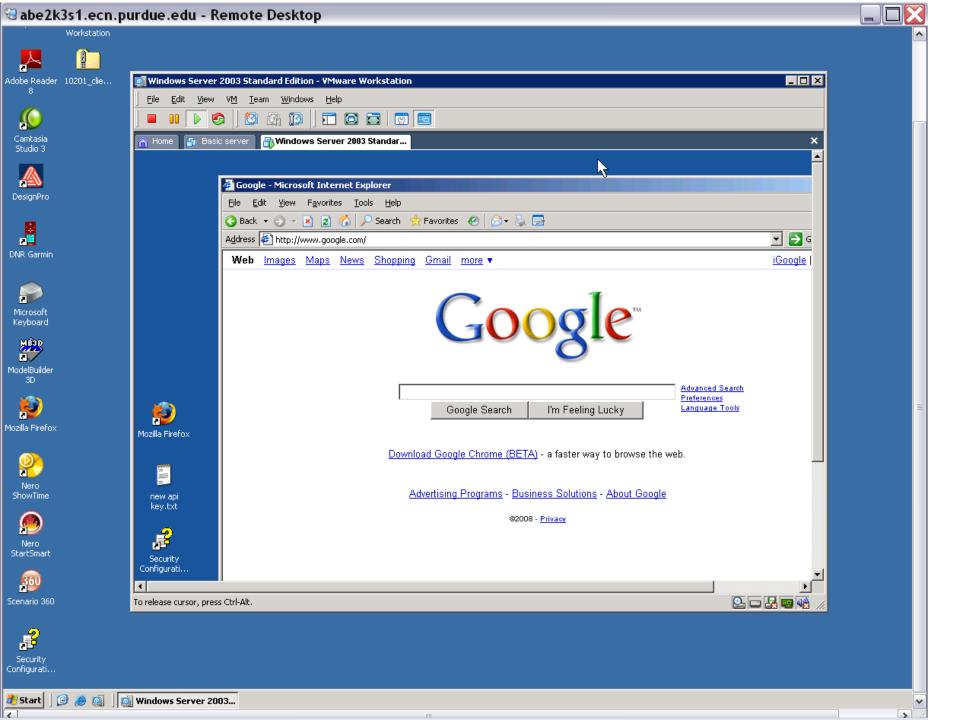


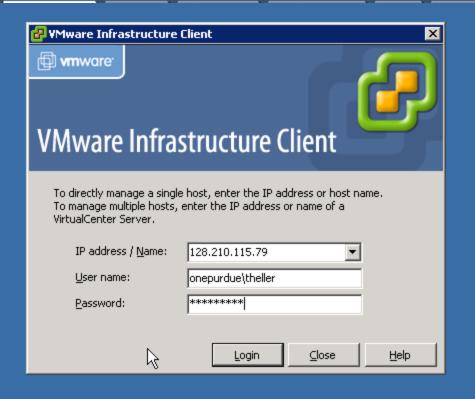


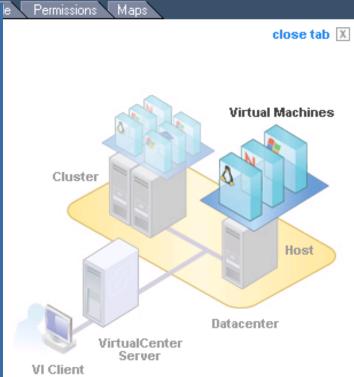












- Suspend the virtual machine
- 👺 Edit virtual machine settings



### **Explore Further**

- Learn more about virtual machines
- Learn how to install an operating system

