

#	<i>Parameter considered for evaluation.</i>	<i>OpenInstaller</i>	<i>IzPack</i>
1	Footprint	4-5 MB just for installer dependencies.	Estimated 1-2 MB.
2	Multi-platform Support.	Yes, support available for all major platforms.	Yes, support available for all major platforms..
3	Console Installation Support.	Available through charva based(curses), adds up to the footprint, but good interface compared to simple interface by cnp.  Not supported in windows.	Not available at this time.
4	Maven, ant integrations	None	Available for build automation.
5	Silent Installation Support.	Available.	Available.
6	Ease-of-development	Highly declarative, no IDE support.	Highly declarative, Integrates with eclipse IDE.
7	Rich API set	Moderate support through Listeners.	Listeners available for custom actions. Not a lot of APIs are exposed.
8	Ease-of-customization to author a complex installation. -Configuration customizations, -Upgrade sequence, action customizations, -User interface customizations.	Automatic layout generator handles UI sequence. beanshell(model, view part beanshell part).  Cusomizations would require authoring beanshell extensions.	Customizations at all levels(UI, actions) possible, but never tried it yet.  Payload can be defined dynamically at run time, not @buildtime.
9	Reusability of existing installer codebase.	Prelude was developed using OpenInstaller, so most part of the code can be reused as it is.	A lot of rewrite needed as most of the code is framework specific.
10	Stable native interfaces to perform OS specific install activities.	Some native interfaces are broken such as Desktop integration. However, given the familiarity with OpenInstaller source code, GlassFish installer team has already started implementing the workarounds.	Available on Windows, unknown for other platforms. Claim support for Desktop integration on unix and windows platforms. Not tried yet.
11	Web-based installations.	Not supported.	Supported.
12	Rich/intuitive User interfaces	Some of AS specific UIs are also available(port panel, jdk detection).  Declarative UI, that could be customized to handle complex tasks.  Uses SwiXML, Charva, nCurses.	Support for skins(UI) available. Screens are not pretty. No CLI Interface.  Good online help support for panels.
13	i18n support.	Yes	Yes.
14	Good Documentation.	Evolving.	Evolving.
15	Support level and expertise.	None, but code base is familiar.	Not asked for official support yet. Not a big community, Jboss tried it for its community

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