

1 Q. Re page B-87: is it anticipated that the iSeries Operating System will require  
2 annual upgrades?

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5 A. iSeries operating system upgrades are normally scheduled every two years.  
6 In addition, software updates called Program Temporary Fixes, or PTFs, are  
7 applied to the iSeries operating system each year. These PTF updates are  
8 part of the scheduled iSeries preventive maintenance plan. These  
9 timeframes may be adjusted in response to factors such as vendor upgrade  
10 and support schedules or application software upgrade requirements.

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iSeries Upgrade Schedule 2001-2007:

2007	Future plan for iSeries operating system upgrade from V5R3 to current version.
2006	PTF Updates.
2005	iSeries operating system upgrade from V5R2 to V5R3 and iSeries hardware replacement.
2004	PTF Updates.
2003	iSeries operating system upgrade from V5R1 to V5R2. Required as a prerequisite to the SAN storage project.
2002	iSeries operating system upgrade from V4R5 to V5R1.
2001	PTF Updates