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Introduction

SolidFire PowerShell Tools is a collection of Microsoft® Windows® PowerShell functions that use SolidFire API to control a SolidFire storage system. These functions allow administrators to query for information, make changes to objects in a storage system, and develop complex scripts on a single platform. You can use this module with other modules and snap-ins, such as VMware® PowerCLI and Cisco® UCS PowerTool, to extend capabilities throughout the infrastructure.

Any user with a SolidFire storage system and Windows PowerShell can take advantage of SolidFire PowerShell Tools. Before you use SolidFire PowerShell Tools, you should have an understanding of Windows PowerShell functions. The SolidFire PowerShell Tools module can be obtained through the SolidFire Support BrickFTP site or GitHub.

Software Prerequisites

Component	Application	Description
PowerShell	PowerShell 4.0 or 5.0	Version 4.0* is the minimum recommended version to use with SolidFire PowerShell Tools. Functionality may vary on earlier versions. It is also recommended to additionally enable PowerShell 2.0 on your system. PowerShell 2.0 is a prerequisite for other PowerShell snap-ins and modules, such as PowerCLI and UCS PowerTool.
SolidFire Element OS		Element versions 7 through 9
.NET framework		4.5.1 or later

^{*}Additional components might be required in order to take full advantage of PowerShell 4.0 and SolidFire PowerShell Tools. These components include WS-Management 3.0 and Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI) 3.0.

Supported OS and OS-level Virtualization

The following operating systems and container software are supported:

OS and Containers	Description	
Microsoft® Windows® 8.1	Windows PowerShell is installed by default. Install the KB2883200 update.	
Microsoft® Windows® 7 SP1	Windows PowerShell is supported but not installed.	
Microsoft® Windows® 10	Windows PowerShell is installed by default.	
Windows® Server 2012 R2 64-bit	Windows PowerShell is installed by default.	
Windows® Server 2016	Windows PowerShell is installed by default.	
Mac OS 10.11	Windows PowerShell for Mac is not installed by default.	
Linux	Windows PowerShell for Linux is not installed by default.	
Docker	Runs a container with Ubuntu and the SolidFire PowerShell tools pre-installed.	

^{*}The installer for SolidFire PowerShell Tools requires a 64-bit operating system to successfully complete installation.

Installing SolidFire PowerShell Tools on Windows

SolidFire PowerShell Tools is a module that is imported into your PowerShell modules when you install it. When you open a PowerShell window after installation, SolidFire cmdlets will be available and can be invoked in the same way as other existing cmdlets.

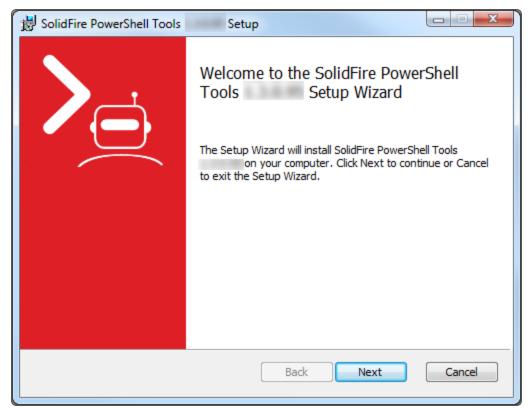
Prerequisites

- Administrative privileges to be able to complete the installation.
- 64-bit operating system needed to run the installer.
- Review Software Prerequisites.

Procedure

- 1. Download the installer from SolidFire <u>BrickFTP</u> or <u>GitHub</u> to a local or network directory that is accessible to the Windows system from which you will be running PowerShell commands.
- 2. Double-click the **SolidFire_PowerShell_<version number>-install.msi** installer.

The Welcome window appears.



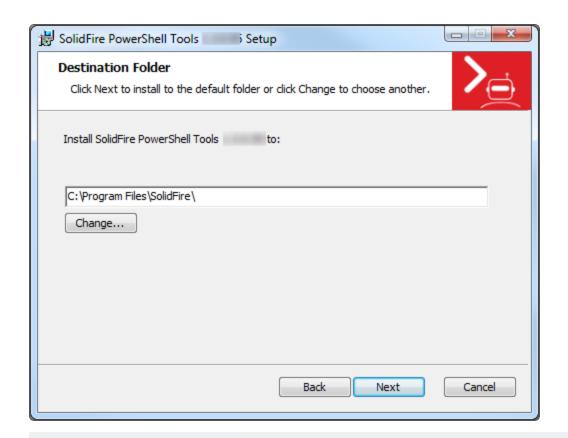
3. Click Next.

The SolidFire End User License Agreement appears.



- 4. Read the license agreement and select the check box to accept the terms of the agreement.
- 5. Click **Next**.

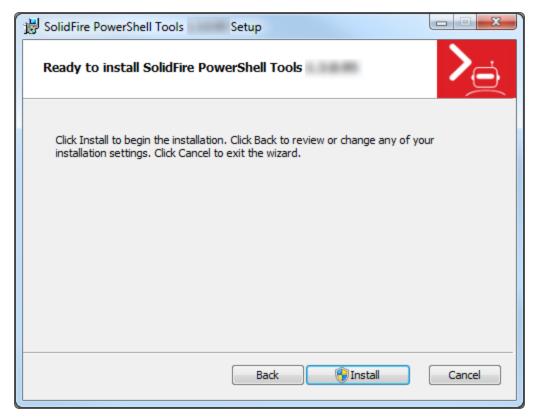
The **Destination Folder** window appears.



NOTE: By default, SolidFire PowerShell Tools installs to **C:\Program Files\SolidFire**. To change the installation location, click **Change** and provide the new location.

6. Click Next.

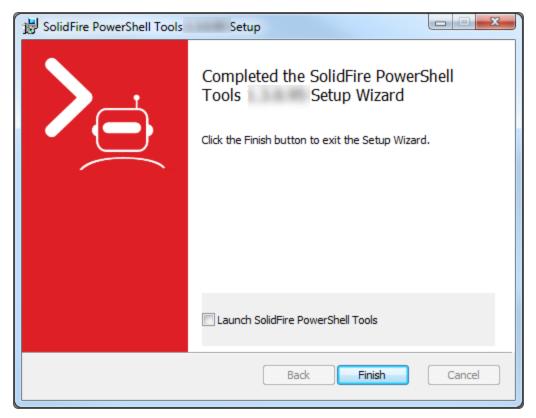
The *Ready to install* window appears.



7. Click Install.

NOTE: You must have administrative privileges to complete the process.

The Completed the SolidFire PowerShell Tools Setup Wizard window appears after the installation has completed successfully.



- 8. Click Launch SolidFire PowerShell Tools.
- 9. Click Finish.

Installing SolidFire PowerShell Tools on MacOS

You can install SolidFire PowerShell Tools as a module on MacOS once you have installed PowerShell for Mac. When you open a PowerShell window after installation, SolidFire cmdlets will be available and can be invoked in the same way as other existing cmdlets.

Prerequisites

- Run installation commands in a terminal session from the machine that will contain the PowerShell Tools installation. Commands can be run from any directory.
- Sudo access is needed to complete the installation.
- 64-bit operating system.
- Review Software Prerequisites.

Procedure

1. Install PowerShell for Mac:

NOTE: For additional instructions, see the PowerShell for Mac installation page.

a. Install the dependencies with Homebrew.

```
brew install openssl
brew install curl --with-openssl
```

b. Download the PowerShell for Mac package.

wget https://github.com/PowerShell/PowerShell/releases/download/v6.0.0-alpha.13/powershell-6.0.0-alpha.13.pkg

c. Install the PowerShell package on your machine.

```
sudo installer -pkg powershell-6.0.0-alpha.13.pkg -target /
```

- 2. Install SolidFire PowerShell Tools.
 - a. Create a directory for the SolidFire PowerShell Tools module.

```
mkdir -p /usr/local/share/powershell/Modules/SolidFire
```

b. Download the SolidFire PowerShell Tools Module DLLs from GitHub.

```
cd /usr/local/share/powershell/Modules/SolidFire && curl --remote-name-all
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/DotNetSdk.dll
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/Newtonsoft.Json.dll
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/SolidFire.dll
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/SolidFire.psd1
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/Initialize-
SFEnvironment.ps1
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/SolidFire.dll-
help.xml >/dev/null && cd -
```

c. [OPTIONAL] Set up the SolidFire PowerShell Tools initializer script:

```
echo ". /usr/local/share/powershell/Modules/SolidFire/Initialize-SFEnvironment.ps1" > /usr/local/microsoft/powershell/6.0.0-alpha.13/profile.ps1
```

d. Launch PowerShell session:

powershell

Installing SolidFire PowerShell Tools on Linux

You can install SolidFire PowerShell Tools as a module on Linux once you have installed PowerShell. When you open a PowerShell window after installation, SolidFire cmdlets will be available and can be invoked in the same way as other existing cmdlets.

Prerequisites

- Run installation commands in a terminal session from the machine that will contain the PowerShell Tools installation. Commands can be run from any directory.
- Sudo access is needed to complete the installation.
- 64-bit operating system.
- Review Software Prerequisites.

Procedure

- 1. Install PowerShell for Linux:
 - Ubuntu 14.04
 - a. Download the Debian package **powershell_6.0.0-alpha.13-1ubuntu1.14.04.1_amd64.deb** from the PowerShell **releases page** onto your Ubuntu machine.
 - b. Type the following commands in the terminal:

```
sudo dpkg -i powershell_6.0.0-alpha.13-1ubuntu1.14.04.1_amd64.deb sudo apt-get install -f
```

NOTE: The Debian install command <code>dpkg-i</code> fails if there are unmet dependencies. The command <code>apt-getinstall-f</code> resolves these dependencies and completes the configuration of the PowerShell package.

Ubuntu 16.04

- a. Download the Debian package powershell_6.0.0-alpha.13-1ubuntu1.16.04.1_amd64.deb from the PowerShell releases page onto your Ubuntu machine.
- b. Type the following commands in the terminal:

```
sudo dpkg -i powershell_6.0.0-alpha.13-1ubuntu1.16.04.1_amd64.deb
sudo apt-get install -f
```

NOTE: The Debian install command <code>dpkg-ifails</code> if there are unmet dependencies. The command <code>apt-getinstall-f</code> resolves these dependencies and completes the configuration of the PowerShell package.

CentOS 7

a. Download the RPM package powershell-6.0.0_alpha.13-1.el7.centos.x86_64.rpm from the PowerShell releases page onto your CentOS machine.

NOTE: This package works on Oracle Linux 7 and Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.

b. Type the following commands in the terminal:

```
sudo yum install ./powershell-6.0.0 alpha.13-1.el7.centos.x86 64.rpm
```

- 2. Install SolidFire PowerShell Tools.
 - a. Create a directory for the SolidFire PowerShell Tools module.

```
mkdir -p /usr/local/share/powershell/Modules/SolidFire
```

b. Download the SolidFire PowerShell Tools Module DLLs from GitHub.

```
cd /usr/local/share/powershell/Modules/SolidFire && curl --remote-name-all
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/DotNetSdk.dll
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/Newtonsoft.Json.dll
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/SolidFire.dll
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/SolidFire.psdl
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/Initialize-
SFEnvironment.ps1
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/solidfire/PowerShell/release1.3/packages/SolidFire.dll-
help.xml >/dev/null && cd -
```

c. [OPTIONAL] Set up the SolidFire PowerShell Tools initializer script:

```
echo "./usr/local/share/powershell/Modules/SolidFire/Initialize-SFEnvironment.ps1" > /usr/local/microsoft/powershell/6.0.0-alpha.13/profile.ps1
```

d. Launch PowerShell session:

powershell

Installing SolidFire PowerShell Tools as Docker Container

You can install SolidFire PowerShell Tools as a Docker container. When you open a PowerShell window after installation, SolidFire cmdlets will be available and can be invoked in the same way as other existing cmdlets.

Prerequisites

- Run installation commands in a terminal session from the machine that will contain the PowerShell Tools installation. Commands can be run from any directory.
- A Docker engine is installed and running on your host machine.

- 64-bit operating system.
- Review Software Prerequisites.

Procedure

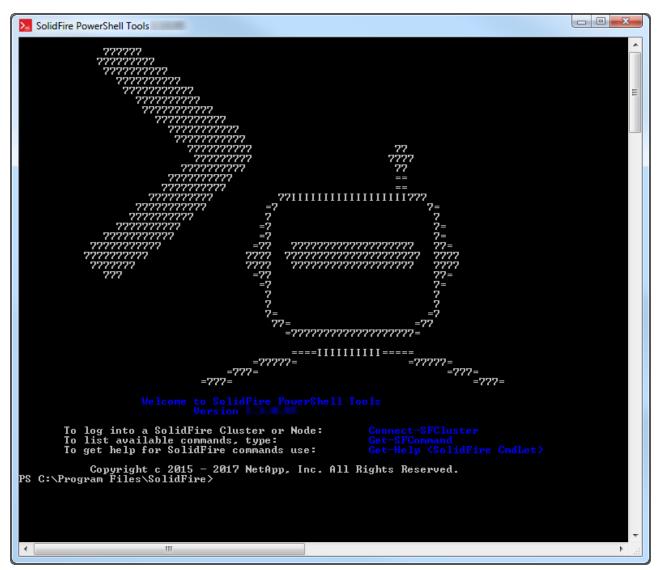
1. From a terminal, type this command to pull and run the latest SolidFire PowerShell Tools image from the NetApp SolidFire public Docker repo:

```
docker run -it -v $(pwd):/scripts solidfire/powershell
```

NOTE: This command downloads the SolidFire PowerShell Tools Docker image, starts a new container, and opens a shell from your terminal with the SolidFire module loaded and ready to use. Any scripts in your host's present working directory (PWD) are available at /scripts once you are in the shell.

Successful Installation

After successful installation, SolidFire PowerShell Tools opens in a customized PowerShell window.



Upgrading SolidFire PowerShell Tools on Windows

To upgrade SolidFire PowerShell Tools on Windows, download the latest MSI release from the SolidFire public <u>GitHub</u> repository or from <u>BrickFTP</u>. Once the MSI is downloaded and brought into your existing PowerShell environment, double-click the MSI file and follow the installation prompts. For a description of the installation process, see <u>Installing SolidFire PowerShell Tools on Windows</u>.

How to Use SolidFire PowerShell Tools

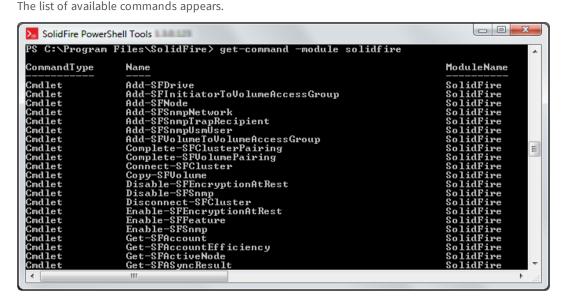
The following topics describe ways to access available functions for SolidFire PowerShell Tools, manage connections to a SolidFire node, and find additional cmdlet parameter and return object information.

Listing Available Functions

The available functions for SolidFire PowerShell Tools can be explored using the native Get-Command PowerShell Tools cmdlet.

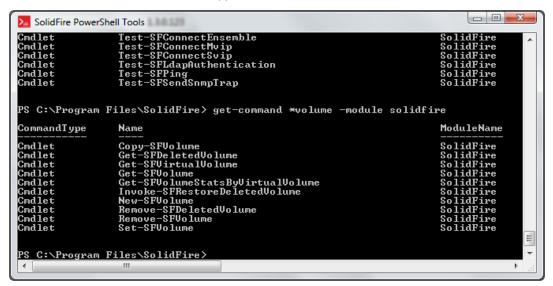
Procedure

1. In the command line interface, type <code>Get-Command -Module SolidFire</code>.



2. Type a search term with an asterisk before and after the term to filter the command list: Get-Command *volume* - Module SolidFire.

The filtered list of available commands appears.



Accessing Embedded Help

SolidFire PowerShell Tools contains help examples that are accessible through the command line. Help content includes details about each command and examples of each function in use.

Procedure

In the command line interface, type Get-Help <cmdlet>.
 The cmdlet description from embedded help appears.

```
_ = X
SolidFire PowerShell Tools
   C:\Program Files\SolidFire> get-help connect-sfcluster
     Connect-SFC1uster
SYNOPSIS
     [Node/Cluster] Initiates a connection sequence that establishes a SolidFire n
     Connect-SFCluster [-Target] <string> [-Credential] <pscredential> [-Node] [-V
     Connect-SFCluster [-Target] <string> [-Username] <string> [-Password] <string [<CommonParameters>]
DESCRIPTION
     Establishes a connection to a SolidFire Cluster or node. Validates the provid the version of the cluster.
     Stores connection information in the global:$SFConnection variable.
     To change the target API version use the -versionAPI parameter.
     Multiple connections are supported. Each successful connection is stored in
RELATED LINKS
REMARKS
     nno
To see the examples, type: "get-help Connect-SFCluster -examples
For more information, type: "get-help Connect-SFCluster -detailed
For technical information, type: "get-help Connect-SFCluster -fu!
```

NOTE: To view full cmdlet help, see Accessing Return Values Using Get-Help.

Parameter Sets

Many of the functions for SolidFire PowerShell Tools have parameter sets to allow multiple use cases. For example, parameter sets are used with the creation and modification of SolidFire objects, such as Accounts, Volumes, and Volume Access Groups.

You can identify parameter sets by using Get-Help for the function and reviewing the content under the Syntax section.

Managing Connections to a SolidFire Cluster

All of the functions in SolidFire PowerShell Tools make direct calls to the SolidFire API. In order to manage authentication efficiently, a connection function has been developed for collecting target and authentication information.

Connecting to a SolidFire Cluster

Use Connect-SFCluster to connect to a SolidFire cluster. The function collects SolidFire connection information, including target and authentication information from the user. Connect-SFCluster also supports connections to multiple SolidFire clusters.

By default, the Connect-SFCluster cmdlet queries the target cluster and sets the connection information to the latest API version on the cluster. This could also change the URI property to the version of Element OS you are using. See <u>Changing API Versions</u> to specify an API.

Procedure

In the command line interface, type Connect-SFCluster -Target "<address>".
 The following example shows a successful connection.

```
_ D X
SolidFire PowerShell Tools
      C:\Program Files\SolidFire> connect-sfcluster -Target
cmdlet Connect-SFCluster at command pipeline position 1
Supply values for the following parameters:
(Type !? for Help.)
Credential
                                              .117.60.15
-FC
Target
 Port
 VersionApiNumber
VersionApiName
                                        Fluorine
                                        https://10.117.60.15/json-rpc/9.0
RequestCount
Credential
                                        3
System.Management.Automation.PSCredential

{"AccountCountMax" = 5000, "AccountNameLengthMax" = 64, "Acco
"ClusterPairsCountMax" = 4, "InitiatorNameLengthMax" = 224, "
4096, "SecretLengthMax" = 16, "SecretLengthMin" = 12, "Snapsh
16383, "VolumeAccessGroupNameLengthMax" = 64, "VolumeAccessGr
"InitiatorAliasLengthMax" = 224, "VolumeBurstIOPSMax" = 20000
"VolumeMinIOPSMax" = 15000, "VolumeMinIOPSMin" = 50, "VolumeN
"VolumeSPerAccountCountMax" = 2000, "VolumeSPerGroupSnapshotM
 Limits
Timeout
Element
                                        SolidFire.Element.Api.SolidFireElement
                                                                                                        =
=77777=
=777=
=777=
                                                         Fueled By NetApp SolidFire
Successfully connected to 'HI-FC' with address '10.117.60.15'.
PS C:\Program Files\SolidFire>
```

NOTE: If your connection to a SolidFire cluster is successful, the function Connect—SFCluster stores credentials and target information into a global variable \$SFConnection. Multiple connections are also supported, and each successful connection is stored in the global array variable \$SFconnections. See *Global Variables for All Functions*.

Connecting to a SolidFire Node

Use the Connect-SFCluster function with a -Node switch parameter to connect to a specific SolidFire node.

Procedure

- 1. In the command line interface, type Get-SFNode | Select Name, ManagementIP, NodeID to get the IP address for the node.
- 2. Include -Node and provide the node IP address in order to connect.
 Connect-SFCluster -Target <NodeIP> -UserName <AdminAccount> -Node:

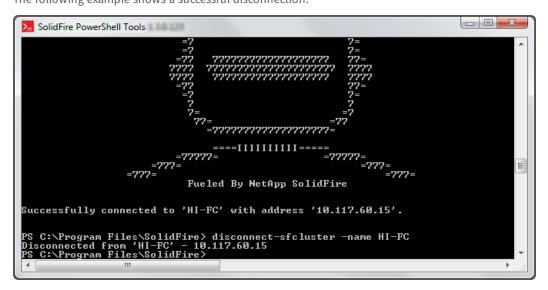
Disconnecting from a SolidFire Cluster or Node

Use the Disconnect-SFCluster function to disconnect from a SolidFire cluster. The function also clears the \$SFConnection and \$SFConnections global variables from the session. This makes it easier to secure the shell if you wish to keep it active or work with a different SolidFire cluster.

You can disconnect a specific connection using the name of the connection from the \$SFConnection or \$SFConnections global variables. This name is either the cluster or the node name. See *Global Variables for All Functions* for an example.

Procedure

In the command line interface, type Disconnect-SFCluster to disconnect from the cluster. You can add an optional extension -Name <node or cluster name> or optional -Target parameter to specify the IP address instead of the name.
 The following example shows a successful disconnection.



Changing API Versions

Use -VersionApi to specify a SolidFire API version. By default, the SolidFire PowerShell Tools module will use the most recent version of the SolidFire API available.

NOTE: Changing versions might produce unexpected results based on availability of features and possible API method changes between releases. Even if a connection to an API version works, not all new features might be available in the SolidFire PowerShell Tools module version that you have installed.

Procedure

- 1. In the command line interface, type \$cred = Get-Credential.
- 2. Type Connect-SFCluster -Target <address> -Credential \$cred -VersionApi <versionnumber>.

 The following example demonstrates connecting to a SolidFire cluster with API version 7.0 (Nitrogen).

```
_ D X
 SolidFire PowerShell Tools
      C:\Program Files\SolidFire> connect-sfcluster 10.117.60.15
     dlet Connect-SFCluster at command pipeline position 1
pply values for the following parameters:
ype !? for Help.)
edential
                                         10.117.60.15
HI-FC
 Target
 JersionApiNumber
JersionApiName
                                         Nitrogen
                                         https://10.117.60.15/json-rpc/7.0
RequestCount
Credential
Limits
                                         5
System.Management.Automation.PSCredential

("AccountCountMax" = 5000, "AccountNameLengthMax" = 64, "Acco
"ClusterPairsCountMax" = 4, "InitiatorNameLengthMax" = 224, "
4096, "SecretLengthMax" = 16, "SecretLengthMin" = 12, "Snapsh
16383, "VolumeAccessGroupNameLengthMax" = 64, "VolumeAccessGr
"InitiatorAliasLengthMax" = 224, "VolumeBurstIOPSMax" = 20000
"VolumeMinIOPSMax" = 15000, "VolumeMinIOPSMin" = 50, "VolumeN
"VolumeSPerAccountCountMax" = 2000, "VolumeSPerGroupSnapshotM
Timeout
Element
                                         SolidFire.Element.Api.SolidFireElement
                                                          Fueled By NetApp SolidFire
Successfully connected to 'HI-FC' with address '10.117.60.15'.
PS C:\Program Files\SolidFire>
```

Global Variables for All Functions

If your connection to a SolidFire cluster is successful, the function <code>Connect-SFCluster</code> stores credentials and target information in a global variable <code>\$SFConnection</code>. The information in this variable is used in API calls of other SolidFire PowerShell Tools functions. Multiple connections are also supported, and each successful connection is stored in the global array variable <code>\$SFConnections</code>.

```
SolidFire PowerShell Tools
                                                                                                      - - X
PS C:\Program Files\SolidFire> $SFConnection
                           172.27.1.56
Cerebro
Target
Name
VersionAPI
                           0xygen
VersionAPINumber
                           8
False
 lode
                           Raise
https://172.27.1.56/json-rpc/8.0
System.Management.Automation.PSCredential
True
UriAppliance
Credential
Connected
PS C:\Program Files\SolidFire> $SFConnections
                           172.27.1.52
Remote
Nitrogen
7
False
Target
Name
VersionAPI
VersionAPINumber
Node
                           https://172.27.1.52/json-rpc/7.0
System.Management.Automation.PSCredential
UriAppliance
Credential
Connected
                           172.27.1.56
Cerebro
Target
Name
VersionAPI
VersionAPINumber
                           0xygen
                           False
                           https://172.27.1.56/json-rpc/8.0
System.Management.Automation.PSCredential
True
UriAppliance
Credential
Connected
PS C:\Program Files\SolidFire>
```

Common Parameters

All cmdlets, with the exception of Connect-SFCluster and Disconnect-SFCluster, have the common parameter Target and SFConnection. These common parameters are not in the Get-Help examples for each cmdlet but can be assumed to be present. The embedded Help within PowerShell Tools has the common parameter in its examples.

If the -Target parameter is included in the cmdlet, the cmdlet will run against all connections in \$SFConnections whose name or target (IP address) matches using a wildcard pattern match. Results are written to output without indicating the target against which the cmdlet was run.

If the -SFConnection parameter is included in the cmdlet, the cmdlet will run against the specific SFConnection that was handed in through that parameter. You can inspect the \$SFConnections session variable to find a specific SFConnection or you can pass the result of Connect-SFCluster into it.

Each cmdlet is configured to be run on either a cluster or node. Before processing the cmdlet against any target, the cmdlet will check the connection to make sure it matches the intended cluster or node. If there is no match, a non-terminating error message (as in the following example) appears that states it is skipping the command:

Get-SFNetworkConfig: Skipping command on connection 'Connection Name'. CmdLet requires Node connection.

All cmdlets will execute against all matching connections.

Return Object Descriptions

Return values are fully documented as part of the .NET SDK documentation that is available online. There are three methods for inspecting cmdlet return values:

- Accessing Return Value Reference Documentation
- Accessing Return Values Using Get-Help

• Leveraging Get-Member to Inspect Return Objects

Accessing Return Value Reference Documentation

Each return value is documented as part of the online documentation for the SolidFire .NET SDK. This documentation can be found on GitHub.

Accessing Return Values Using Get-Help

For any cmdlet included in SolidFire PowerShell Tools, type Get-Help <cmdlet name> -Full to return the following:

- A specific return type for the cmdlet that is described in the Outputs section.
- A URL to the related SolidFire .NET SDK reference page on GitHub.
- Examples of cmdlet use.

The following is an example of Get-Help Get-SFVolume -Full:

```
_ = = X
SolidFire PowerShell Tools
PS C:\Program Files\SolidFire> get-help get-sfvolume -full
NAME
    Get-SFVolume
SYNOPSIS
[Cluster] Gets a list of volumes from the cluster.
SYNTAX
    Get-SFVolume [[-VolumeID] <long[]>] [[-IncludeDeleted]] [-Target <List[string]>
    Get-SFVolume [[-Name] <string[]>] [[-IncludeDeleted]] [-Target <List[string]>]
    Get-SFVolume [-AccountID] <long[]> [[-IncludeDeleted]] [-Target <List[string]>]
    Get-SFVolume [-Account] <Account[]> [[-IncludeDeleted]] [-Target <List[string]>
DESCRIPTION
    Used to return a list of volumes that are in a cluster. If you want deleted vol
PARAMETERS
     -Account (Account[])
Please specify account(s)
         Required?
Position?
                                          true
ผ
         Default value
Accept pipeline input?
Accept wildcard characters?
                                          true (ByValue, ByPropertyName)
    -AccountID <long[]>
         Please enter an Account ID or list of Account IDs
         Required?
Position?
         Default value
Accept pipeline input?
Accept wildcard characters?
                                          true (ByValue, ByPropertyName)
    -IncludeDeleted
         Switch to specify if the resultset should be active volumes only
```

Leveraging Get-Member to Inspect Return Objects

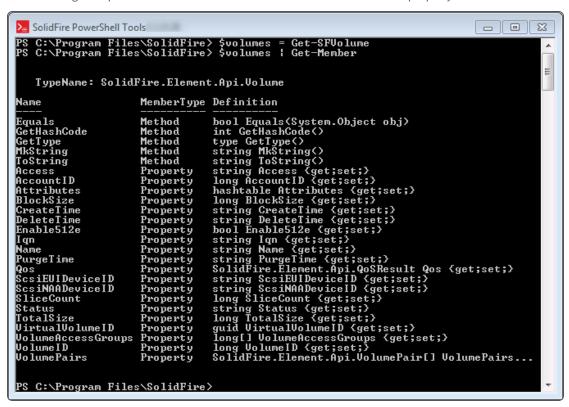
Use the built-in SolidFire PowerShell Tools Get-Member cmdlet to inspect return values.

Procedure

1. In the command line interface, type \$<variable> = <Cmdlet with appropriate parameters>

2. Type \$<variable> | Get-Member.

The following example shows the result for Get-SFVolume with each return property listed.



3. If objects are more than one layer deep (see the QoS property in the example from the previous step), examine additional layers using the dot operator \$<variable.property> | Get-Member.

Using SolidFire PowerShell Tools with Other Modules and Snap-ins

Several vendors have produced resources for PowerShell to help manage their solution. These resources include PowerCLI by VMware and the UCSPowerTool by Cisco. It is possible, when used in conjunction with SolidFire PowerShell Tools, to report or automate multiple layers of the infrastructure within a single script. This requires having each module or snap-in loaded in the PowerShell session.

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