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## Service Management

# Aufgabe 1

Run a PowerShell as administrator.

- a. Force stopping the service *AudioSrv* with *Stop-Service -Force AudioSrv*. Then retrieve the status of the service by issung the command Get-Service. Restart the service AudioSrv with Start-Service.
- b. Set the startup type of AudioSrv to automatic (keyword Automatic) by using the command Set-Service < NAME> -StartupType < TYPE>.
- c. Create a variable \$srv with the assignment \$srv="AudioSrv" and repeat the first part of the exercise. Just replace the actual name of the service by the variable \$srv (don't forget the dollar sign when referring to the variable). What are the advantages of using a variable?
- d. Create a log file for the service *AudioSrv* at the current user's desktop. To this end redirect the output of the Cmdlet Get-Service with the help of Out-File to a file srv.log at the desktop by putting Out-File -FilePath C:\users\<USER>\Desktop\srv.log behind every command.
- **e.** Make use of the environment variable \$Env:userprofile when specifying the path to the log file, instead of the absolute path to the log file.

# 🐧 Exercise 2 (Bonus)

- a. List all services that are stopped and have a name that begins with the letter ,S'.
- b. Determine the number of services currently running (status *Running*) on your computer and compare it to the number of stopped services (status Stopped)<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> You may use the Cmdlet *Group-Object* for collecting (grouping) the objects.

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## **Exercise 3 (Bonus)**

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Find a partner of form a group of three.

- a. Exchange IP addresses with your partner(s) and issue mutual ping<sup>2</sup> commands.
- b. Investigate the structure of the msg command with msg /? .
- c. Send your partner(s) the message *coffee break?* via *msg*. You partner can either respond with *I'll be right there* or *Sorry, I don't have any time*. What is the purpose of parameters /V and /W?

# **Exercise 4 (Bonus)**

Run a command prompt as administrator.

- a. Start and stop the service *LicenseManager* with *net start* resp. *net stop*.
- b. Start the service *AudioSrv* with *sc start*. What state is the service in directly after you started it? Make sure the service is running again with *sc query*. Stop the service with *sc stop* and keep an eye on the state again.
- c. Set the startup type of AudioSrv to automatic using the program sc config.
- d. Create a variable *srv* using the *set* command and repeat the first part of the exercise. (Make sure you enclose the variable name in percent signs when referring to the variable). What are the advantages of using a variable?
- e. Create a log file for the service *AudioSrv* at the current user's desktop. To this end redirect the output of the *sc* commands with the append operator >> to a file *srv.log* located at the desktop.
- f. Use the environment variable *%userprofile%* for the path to the log file.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Use either the command *ping* or the Cmdlet *Test-Connection* to this end.