



The Nano Driven Datacenter

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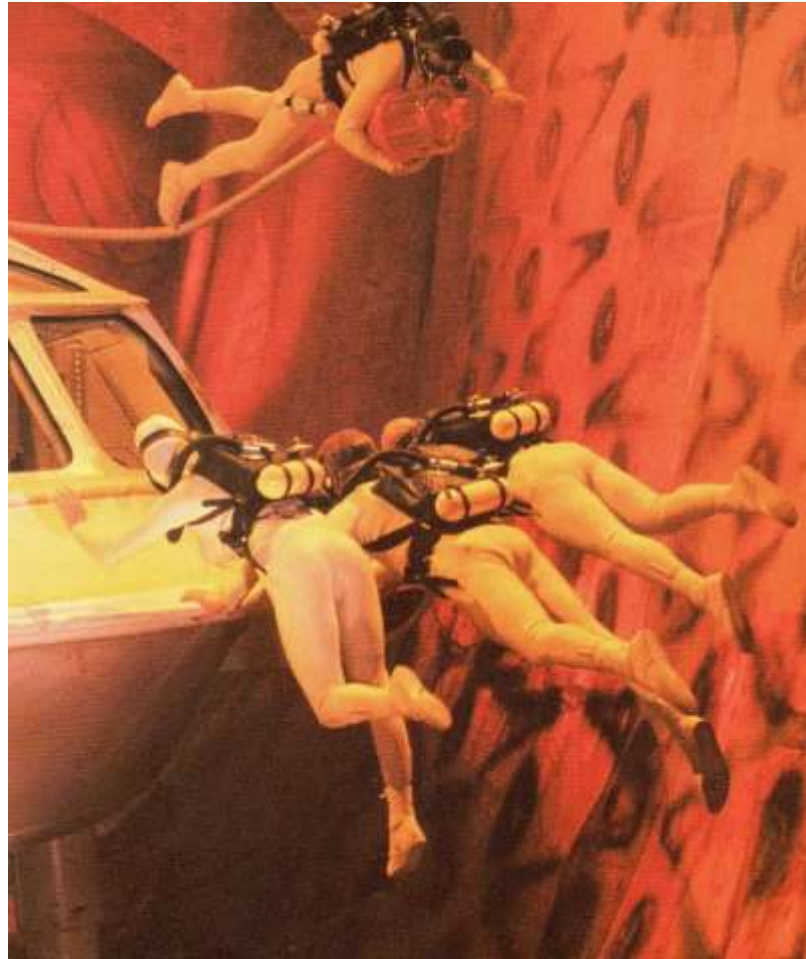
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Download demos from:

<https://github.com/jdhitsolutions/NanoDatacenter>

The Future is Tiny

- GUI -> Core -> Nano
- Small foot print
- Potentially smaller resource requirements
- Potentially smaller attack surface
- Potentially few reboots and updates



Nano Essentials

- Built on .NET Core
- Run in a VM or physical iron
- No interactive console
- Use standard remote management tools and PowerShell
- Windows Server 2016

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                                     Nano Server Recovery Console
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Computer Name: NANO-01
User Name:      globomantics\jeff
Domain:         GLOBOMANTICS.local
OS:             Microsoft Windows Server 2016 Standard
Local date:     Thursday, October 20, 2016
Local time:     7:49 PM
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> Networking
   Inbound Firewall Rules
   Outbound Firewall Rules
   WinRM

Up/Dn: Scroll | ESC: Log out | F5: Refresh | Ctl+F6: Restart
Ctl+F12: Shutdown | ENTER: Select
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Nano Everywhere!

How far can
Nano go in the
datacenter?

How hard can
it be?

Let's build a
Nano-driven
datacenter

My PowerShell/Nano Toolbox



- ▶ Custom tooling built around the NanoServerImageGenerator module
- ▶ Using RTM media (September 2016)
- ▶ Microsoft Hyper-V (Server 2016)
- ▶ Desired State Configuration
- ▶ Domain environment

Caveats

- ▶ .NET Core is still evolving
- ▶ I didn't test full functionality for each server or feature
- ▶ I assume you have some familiarity with Nano Server



Let's Get Small

<https://github.com/jdhitsolutions//NanoDatacenter>

Discussion & Questions

What are your roadblocks to adoption?

What would make Nano “better”?

Take Aways

- ▶ Expect to build your own Nano Server tooling
- ▶ DSC Resources might need Nano Server versions
- ▶ We need a few more key Nano Server features
- ▶ Plan on a lot of trial and error testing



Thank You



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