

EXPLORING SQLPS

The SQL Server Powershell Module In Depth



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What is SQLPS?

The Provider

Cmdlets/Functions

Practical Use

```
$trns = Get-ChildItem $dir -recurse | Where-Object {$_.name -like "*.trn"} | sort-object LastWriteTime
}
else{
    $full = Get-ChildItem $dir | Where-Object {$_.name -like "*.bak"} | Sort-Object LastWriteTime -desc | Select-Object -first 1
    $diff = Get-ChildItem $dir | Where-Object {$_.name -like "*.dff"} | sort-object LastWriteTime -desc | select-object -first 1
    $trns = Get-ChildItem $dir | Where-Object {$_.name -like "*.trn"} | sort-object LastWriteTime
}

#initialize and process full backup
$outputfile = Join-Path -Path $outputdir -ChildPath "restore_$database.sql"
$restore = Get-RestoreObject $database $full
$shfull = Get-Header $restore $smosrv
if($database.Length -eq 0)
{
    $database = $shfull.DatabaseName
    $restore.Database=$database
}

$LSNCheck = $shfull.CheckpointLSN
$files = $restore.ReadFileList($smosrv)
foreach($file in $files){
    $pfile = $file.PhysicalName
    if($newdata.Length -gt 0 -and $file.Type -eq "D"){
        $pfile=$newdata + $pfile.Substring($pfile.LastIndexOf("\"))
    }

    if($newdata.Length -gt 0 -and $file.Type -eq "L"){
        $pfile=$newlog + $pfile.Substring($pfile.LastIndexOf("\"))
    }

    $newfile = New-Object("Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.Smo.RelocateFile") ($file.LogicalName,$pfile)
    $restore.RelocateFiles.Add($newfile) | out-null
}

$ssqlout += "/******"
$ssqlout += "Restore Database Script Generated $(Get-Date)"
$ssqlout += "Database: "+$database
$ssqlout += "*****/"
$ssqlout += "--FULL RESTORE"
If($owner){$ssqlout += "EXECUTE AS LOGIN = '$owner';"}
$ssqlout += $restore.Script($smosrv)

#process differential backups
if($diff -ne $null){
    $restore = Get-RestoreObject $database $diff
    $hdiff = Get-Header $restore $smosrv

    if($hdiff.DatabaseBackupLSN -eq $LSNCheck){
        $ssqlout += "--DIFF RESTORE"
        $ssqlout += $restore.Script($smosrv)
        $LSNCheck = $hdiff.LastLSN
    }
    else{
        . . . . .
    }
}
```

Don't focus on the code,
focus on the concepts.

Ask questions!

In the beginning...

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SQLPS

- Powershell module for SQL Server
- Includes cmdlets and the provider
- SQL Server 2012 or greater
- Powershell 2.0 or greater

`Import-Module SQLPS`



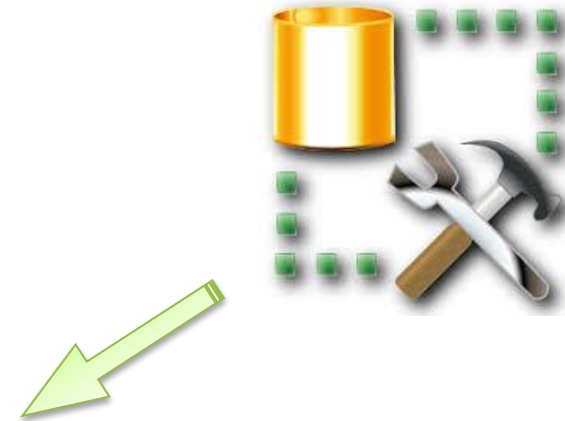
SqlServer

- Introduced with SSMS July 2016 update!
- Includes everything from SQLPS along with fixes
- Not compatible with SQLPS!

`Import-Module SqlServer`



- Not installed specifically
 - Included anytime you install ANY SQL Server component
 - SQLPS Installation Path:
C:\Program Files (x86)
 \Microsoft SQL Server
 130\Tools\PowerShell\Modules
 - SqlServer Installation Path
C:\Program Files\WindowsPowerShell\Modules
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.Net Library
requires .Net 2.0

SMO ASSEMBLIES	
Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.Common	Microsoft.SqlServer.SqlEnum
Microsoft.SqlServer.Smo	Microsoft.SqlServer.RegSvrEnum
Microsoft.SqlServer.Dmf	Microsoft.SqlServer.WmiEnum
Microsoft.SqlServer.Instapi	Microsoft.SqlServer.ServiceBrokerEnum
Microsoft.SqlServer.SqlWmiManagement	Microsoft.SqlServer.ConnectionInfoExtended
Microsoft.SqlServer.ConnectionInfo	Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.Collector
Microsoft.SqlServer.SmoExtended	Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.CollectorEnum
Microsoft.SqlServer.SqlTDiagM	Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.Dac
Microsoft.SqlServer.SString	Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.DacEnum
Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.RegisteredServers	Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.Utility
Microsoft.SqlServer.Management.Sdk.Sfc	

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Name	Provider	Root	CurrentLocation
----	-----	----	-----
A	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem	A:\	
Alias	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\Alias		
C	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem	C:\	Users\Administrator
Cert	Microsoft.PowerShell.Security\Certificate	\	
D	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem	D:\	
Env	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\Environment		
Function	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\Function		
HKCU	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\Registry	HKEY_CURRENT_USER	
HKLM	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\Registry	HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE	
Variable	Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\Variable		
WSMan	Microsoft.WSMan.Management\WSMan		

Windows Components as Drives

Get-PSDrive

Explore/Use like a FileSystem

Windows PowerShell

PS SQLSERVER:\> dir

Name	Root	Description
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DAC	SQLSERVER:\DAC	SQL Server Data-Tier Application Component
DataCollection	SQLSERVER:\DataCollection	SQL Server Data Collection
SQLPolicy	SQLSERVER:\SQLPolicy	SQL Server Policy Management
Utility	SQLSERVER:\Utility	SQL Server Utility
SQLRegistration	SQLSERVER:\SQLRegistration	SQL Server Registrations
SQL	SQLSERVER:\SQL	SQL Server Database Engine
SSIS	SQLSERVER:\SSIS	SQL Server Integration Services
XEvent	SQLSERVER:\XEvent	SQL Server Extended Events
DatabaseXEvent	SQLSERVER:\DatabaseXEvent	SQL Server Extended Events
SQLAS	SQLSERVER:\SQLAS	SQL Server Analysis Services

PS SQLSERVER:\sql\localhost\default



Provider

Folder

Host/Server

Instance

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Timeouts!

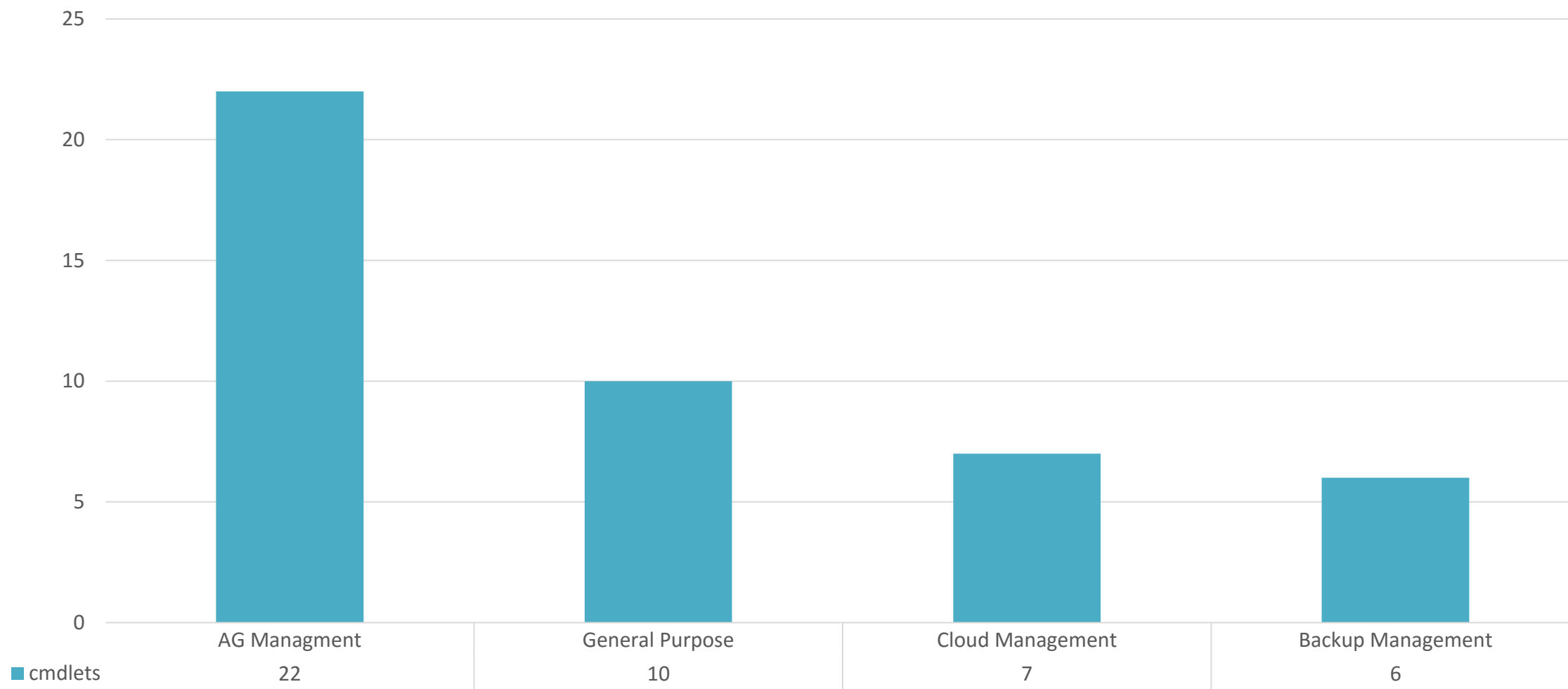
Tab completion and Intellisense

Contextual behavior



Verb-Noun

45 cmdlets total



Convert-UrnToPath

Decode-SqlName

Encode-SqlName

Get-SqlCredential

Get-SqlDatabase


Invoke-PolicyEvaluation

Invoke-Sqlcmd

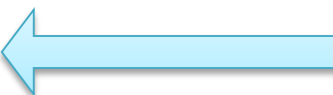
New-SqlCredential

Remove-SqlCredential

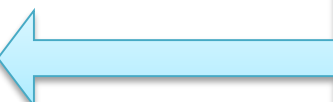
Set-SqlCredential



Do not match Powershell
naming standards



Useful for checking Policy
Based Management



“Replacement” for sqlcmd,
heavily used

Backup-SqlDatabase

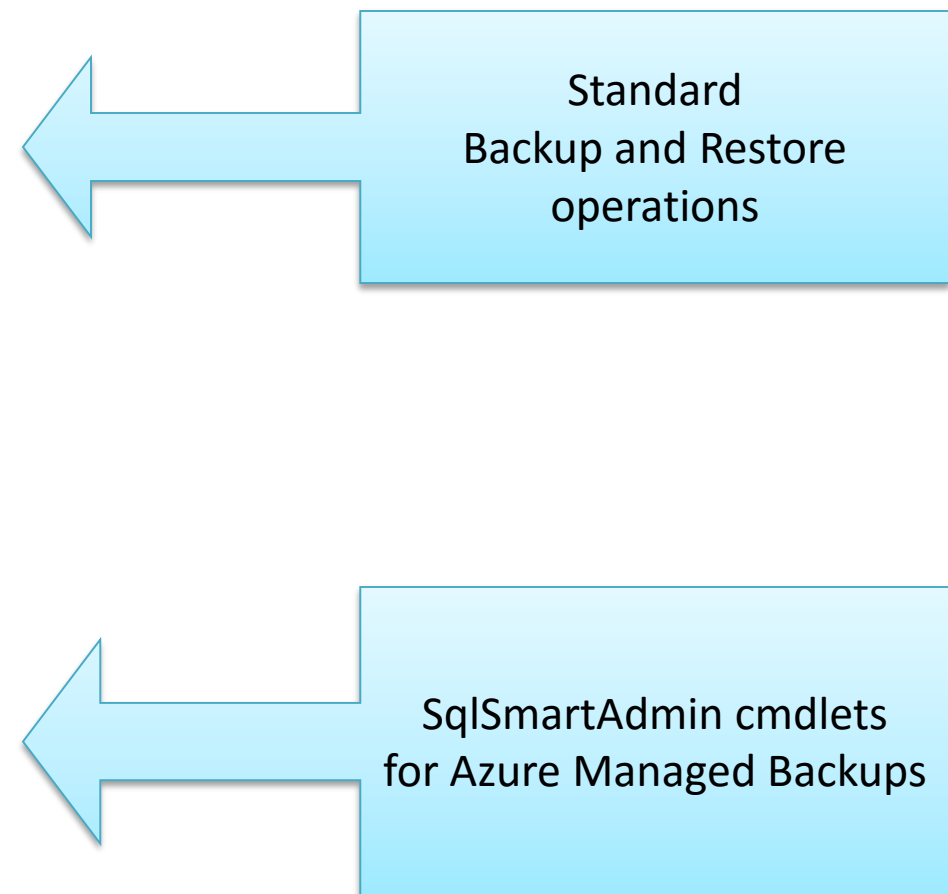
Restore-SqlDatabase

New-SqlBackupEncryptionOption

Get-SqlSmartAdmin

Set-SqlSmartAdmin

Test-SqlSmartAdmin



Standard
Backup and Restore
operations

SqlSmartAdmin cmdlets
for Azure Managed Backups

Add-SqlFirewallRule

Remove-SqlFirewallRule

Get-SqlInstance

Set-SqlAuthenticationMode

Set-SqlNetworkConfiguration

Start-SqlInstance

Stop-SqlInstance

These cmdlets all require the
Cloud Adapter Service

Careful, this doesn't return
what you think it does...

These do the same as Start-
Service and Stop-Service

Add-SqlAvailabilityDatabase	Remove-SqlAvailabilityReplica
Add-SqlAvailabilityGroupListenerStaticIp	Resume-SqlAvailabilityDatabase
Disable-SqlAlwaysOn	Set-SqlAvailabilityGroup
Enable-SqlAlwaysOn	Set-SqlAvailabilityGroupListener
Join-SqlAvailabilityGroup	Set-SqlAvailabilityReplica
New-SqlAvailabilityGroup	Set-SqlHADREndpoint
New-SqlAvailabilityGroupListener	Suspend-SqlAvailabilityDatabase
New-SqlAvailabilityReplica	Switch-SqlAvailabilityGroup
New-SqlHADREndpoint	Test-SqlAvailabilityGroup
Remove-SqlAvailabilityDatabase	Test-SqlAvailabilityReplica
Remove-SqlAvailabilityGroup	Test-SqlDatabaseReplicaState

Advanced Topic

Always Encrypted 18 cmdlets

Add-SqlAzureAuthenticationContext	New-SqlColumnEncryptionKey
Add-SqlColumnEncryptionKeyValue	New-SqlColumnEncryptionKeyEncryptedValue
Complete-SqlColumnMasterKeyRotation	New-SqlColumnEncryptionSettings
Get-SqlColumnEncryptionKey	New-SqlColumnMasterKey
Get-SqlColumnMasterKey	New-SqlCspColumnMasterKeySettings
Invoke-SqlColumnMasterKeyRotation	Remove-SqlColumnEncryptionKey
New-SqlAzureKeyVaultColumnMasterKeySettings	Remove-SqlColumnEncryptionKeyValue
New-SqlCertificateStoreColumnMasterKeySettings	Remove-SqlColumnMasterKey
New-SqlCngColumnMasterKeySettings	Set-SqlColumnEncryption

SQL Agent 6 cmdlets

Get-SqlAgent
Get-SqlAgentJob
Get-SqlAgentJobHistory
Get-SqlAgentJobSchedule
Get-SqlAgentJobStep
Get-SqlAgentSchedule

SQL Error Log 2 cmdlets

Get-SqlErrorLog
Set-SqlErrorLog

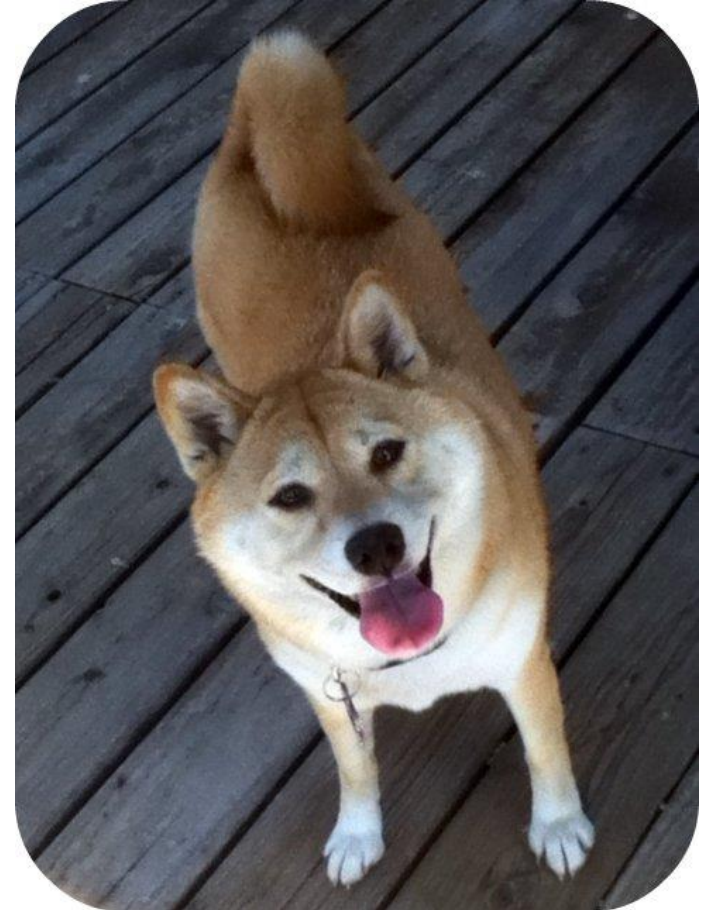


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Poorly Documented
(Changing!)
Unexpected behavior

Lack of support
(Changing!)



So now what?

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WHAT'S
NEXT?

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- ✓ What is the SQLPS Module?
- ✓ How do we use it?
- ✓ The Provider, what is that all about?
- ✓ What kind of cmdlets (functions) are there?
- ✓ How do I use this darn thing, anyway?





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