

W01 - Command Line Interface US Army Cyber School



CCTC Windows Module Layout

CCTC - Windows Module

- W01 Command Line Tools
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Windows Section 1 - Command Line Tools

- SKILL CCWE01: Employ commands using COMMAND LINE INTERFACE
 - •CCWE01.01 Use command line commands to gain situational awareness of the current workstation
 - •CCWE01.02 Use System Internal tools to gain situational awareness of the current workstation
- SKILL CCWE02: Employ commands using WINDOWS MANAGEMENT INSTRUMENTATION COMMAND line
 - •CCWE02.01 Use WMIC commands to gain situational awareness of the current workstation



Windows Section 1 - Command Line Tools

- SKILL CCWE03: Employ commands using POWERSHELL
 - •CCWE03.01 Identify the purpose of using PowerShell in operations
 - •CCWE03.02 Demonstrate basic functionality of PowerShell
 - •CCWE03.03 Describe the main components of PowerShell
- SKILL CCWE04: Develop SCRIPTS
 - •CCWE04.01 Discuss the purpose of creating a script
 - •CCWE04.02 Create a batch script that will perform a basic enumeration of a workstation
 - •CCWE04.03 Create a Powershell script that will perform basic enumeration of a workstation



Day 1





Command Line Interface (CLI)

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Command Line Interface (CLI)

Why is it so important to be comfortable using the command line tools and understanding and comprehending the output?

- Understanding the output of command line tools could make or break your operation
- The GUI may not be available in all situations you encounter
- Often times a command line tool must be used
- Facilitates standardization and automation (Repeatable, scriptable)



CMD.exe Basic Native Commands

set

- view all env variables in command shell

where

- find executables within the PATH variable

echo

- outputs strings passed to it

dir

- list folder contents

type

- output contents of a file

findstr

windows grep

hostname

system hostname

date /t

output system date (/t keeps it from trying to set)

time /t

- output system time (/t keeps it from trying to set)

• This is a just a SMALL SUBSET of the available commands. These commands can be put together and saved into a Batch (.bat) file and run automatically. This allows for automation of tasks.



CMD.exe Native Command Controllers

REDIRECTION OPERATORS

- redirect STDOUT. Create/overwrite
- redirect STDOUT. Create/append
- Piping sends output of one command to input of another

CONDITIONAL PROCESSING

- & and ; execute second command regardless of success/failure of first
- **88** execute second command ONLY if the first is successful
- execute second command ONLY if the first fails

NESTING COMMANDS

() - nest commands for complex arrangement



echo - print text, usually to the screen

echo Hello

- prints

echo

- shows if echo is on or off

echo .

- print a blank line

@echo off

- the @ suppresses display of the line in a batch file

set - view all environment variables in command shell

set

- show all environment variables

set A=4

defines a new variable

echo A=%A%

prints the new variable

echo "A=%A%"

- spaces are retained, as are quotes

echo %COMPUTERNAME%

- built-in environment variable



where - find executables within the PATH variable; are commands native to cmd

where

where dir

where where

where pslist

internal to cmd

built into windows

- third party (sysinternals)



dir - show directory contents

dir

dir .

dir ..

dir C:\

dir /b

dir /s

dir /a:h

- current directory
- current directory also
- parent directory
- specific directory (absolute path)
- /b for bare, just show full filenames
- /s subdirectories, recursive
- show hidden files



type - print a file, usually to the screen

echo Hello > hello.txt

- create a file

echo There >> hello.txt

- append to the file, create if needed

type hello.txt

- prints two lines

date / time - view all environment variables in command shell

date /t

/t prevents setting date. MM/DD/YYYY

time /t

/t prevents setting time. HH:MM AM/PM



findstr - find a substring

```
type hello.txt | findstr "There"

type hello.txt | findstr /i "there"

type hello.txt | findstr /r "h.*r"

type hello.txt | findstr lo
```

hostname - show computer name

hostname

echo %COMPUTERNAME%

path - where to find executable programs

path

echo %PATH%

- search for a pattern
- /i ignore case
- regular expression (like grep)
- piping sends text from left into right

- works
- works also

works

works also



CONDITIONAL PROCESSING

```
echo a & echo b & echo c

dir hello.txt && echo exists

dir noway.nohow || echo failed

dir noway.nohow && echo failed

echo %ERRORLEVEL%
```

- unconditional separator
- only do second command if first succeeded
- only do second command if first failed
- won't print failed, assuming the file doesn't exist
- zero means success, otherwise failure code

NESTING STATEMENTS

```
((dir hello.txt && echo success) - success
|| echo failure)

((dir noway.nohow && echo - failure
success) || echo failure)
```

```
((dir desktop && echo "success") || (echo
"failure")) & ((dir desktopP && echo
"success") || (echo "failure"))
```

What will the above set of commands do when executed in one line?



BASIC WINDOWS ACCOUNTS

net

where net

net /?

net help

net help user

net user

net user admin

net help localgroup

net localgroup

net localgroup administrators

- find net
- let's see what windows can do
- how to find help
- expanded help on user
- list of all users
- detailed output of admin account / local group membership
- help for localgroup
- view all local groups on computer
- view members of administrator group



MAPPING A REMOTE DRIVE

```
net use t:\\computername\c$ /persistent:no
```

dir t:\users

net use t: /delete

- establish a temporary drive
- use temp drive
- remove the t: drive label



ACTIVITY: Windows Batch Script

(Using only CMD commands)

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WMIC Command Basics

WMIC PROCESSES

```
wmic /?
wmic process /?
```

```
wmic process get /all /format:list
wmic process list brief
```

wmic service list brief

- explain global switches and aliases
- shows all the running processes. This is object oriented and can be sorted by headers.
- all process details in list format
- shows an output similar to tasklist in a legible format.
- shows all the services that are running

WMIC Command Basics

WMIC ACCOUNTS

wmic useraccount list brief

- shows all the users on the machine

WMIC NETWORKING

wmic nicconfig list brief

NIC information

WMIC LOGGING AND ACCOUNTING

wmic nteventlog list brief

wmic ntevent /?

- list logs

- query individual log entries



ACTIVITY: Windows Batch Script

(Using only WMIC commands)

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Day 2







Introduction to Powershell

Powershell Integrated Scripting Environment is available for use

Different versions of Powershell across windows

- Powershell 1.0 Nov 2006 (Win XP)
- Powershell 2.0 Oct 2009 (Win 7)
- Powershell 3.0 Sep 2012 (Win 8)
- Powershell 4.0 Oct 2013 (Win 8.1)
- Powershell 5.0 Apr 2014 (Win 10)

Powershell uses commandlets (cmdlets)

- Unique to Powershell
- Follow a 'verb-noun' pattern : get-process

Introduction to Powershell

Why use Powershell?

- Much more functionality than cmd
- cmd.exe may be disabled, powershell may not

Powershell is OBJECT ORIENTED

get-help <content>

You can search for help and commands using the above syntax

get-help <command>

You can get help on specific commands using the above syntax



Introduction to Powershell

External commands (cmd.exe or sysinternals) return a string

Running a Powershell command will return an object

- Demo: tasklist get-member
- Demo: get-process get-member

An object is a data structure that contains properties and methods

- PROPERTIES = data
- METHODS = functions

tasklist | get-member VS get-process | get-member
object.<PropertyName> VS object.<method>(args)



EXTERNAL COMMANDS - spawn new process (attrib)

INTERNAL COMMANDS - runs inside powershell process (ping, dir)

• cmd.exe is parent of all internal command

OBJECTS

Output from a powershell command

CLASSES

General term for grouped objects

CIM and WMIC

- Common Information Model (CIM) meant to be cross platform
- Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI) Windows specific



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VARIABLES

```
$a="Hello World"
```

COMMAND SUBSTITUTION

```
$(get-process).name
```

LOOPING

```
$(get-process).name | foreach-object {echo "$_is a running
process"}
$a=1..5; foreach ($i in $a) {echo "$i is a number"}
$x=0; while ($x -lt 100) {echo "this is loop number $x"; $x++}
```

INDEXING - Indices always start at 0

```
$(get-process)[4] --OR-- $(get-process)[0..4]
```



ARITHMETIC

FUNCTIONS

A list of commands chained together to serve a purpose Once function is declared, issue name of function as command to execute commands in the function.

Function dostuff {get-date; get-process; get-service}

MULTITHREADING

- A technique that allows a single set of code to be used by several processors at different stages of execution
- To multithread in Powershell, use jobs
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4QnJPCqaOWQ
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kj98OhCW-xs





Powershell Demonstration

NAMESPACES

WMI is organized into namespaces, folders that correlate products/technology

get-ciminstance -namespace root\securitycenter2 -classname
antispywareproduct

FORMAT OBJECT OUTPUT

cmdlet run in PowerShell has default output format

get-wmiobject -class win32_BIOS

overrie default and format output by piping to format cmdlet

format-table, format-list, etc



Powershell Demonstration

```
get-process | get-member
```

Look at associated properties

```
get-process | select threads, processname, id
```

Choose a few properties to view

```
get-process | select threads, processname, id | where {$_.id
-lt 1000}
```

get more granular and view specific process properties



Powershell Enumeration Scripting

PRO TIP: PowerShell supports tab completion for files, commands, and options

Must set the ExecutionPolicy before running any PowerShell scripts set-ExecutionPolicy Unrestricted -Scope CurrentUser

Aliases are available to help all types of users (cmd.exe and bash)

Ex. get-childitem == ls, dir, gci

```
The ForEach (alias %) command has two distinct forms
   ForEach ($f in Get-ChildItem) {
     Write-output "$($f.Length) $($f.FullName)" }

Get-ChildItem | ForEach {
```

Write-output "\$(\$_.Length) \$(\$_.FullName)" }



Powershell Enumeration Scripting

The Where command can be used to filter (e.g. files over 1,000 bytes)

get-ChildItem | Where { \$_.Length -gt 1000 } | Select Length,

Name

Output can be controlled with Format-Table or Format-List

```
get-ChildItem | Format-Table -AutoSize
get-ChildItem | Format-List | more
```

Standard options are available

```
Remove-Item does_not_exist.txt
Remove-Item does_not_exist.txt -ErrorAction SilentlyContinue
New-Item -Type File it_exists.txt
Remove-Item it_exists.txt -Verbose
```



Powershell Functions

```
Functions in Powershell have unexpected quirks
  function summer($a,$b) {
     $total = $a + $b
     echo "a=$a b=$b sum=$total"
     return $total
  sum = summer 9 10
  Write-Output "Sum is $sum"
  summer 1 2
  summer 5, 6
  summer(7, 8)
```

summer(7, 8) (9,10)



EXERCISE: Through the Wire

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Day 3



System Enumeration Batch Script

Demonstrate a batch script that will perform basic enumeration of a windows workstation

PRO TIP: Variable (i.e. %i) must be doubled in a batch file (%%i)



@ECHO OFF



Dir hidden files updated in current month

SETLOCAL REM Find all hidden files touched since the first of the current month REM Make sure they provided a directory name. Else quit. IF "%~1" == "" ECHO Usage: %~nx0 directory && GOTO :EOF SET dir=%~1 SET dirout=%TEMP%\%~n0.temp REM Runs the DATE /T command, and puts the second token in %i and the fourth token in %j FOR /F "tokens=2,4 delims=/ " %%i in ('DATE /T') DO SET datevar=%%i/01/%%j ECHO Starting %~nx0 at %DATE% %TIME% REM Collect all the files changed since the first of the month, whether hidden or not FORFILES /P "%dir%" /S /D +%datevar% /C "CMD /C IF @isdir=="FALSE" ECHO @path" > "%dirout%" 2>%TEMP%\delete.me SET CNT=0 REM Reads the output from FORFILES and looks for hidden files FOR /F "delims=" %%i in (%dirout%) do (DIR /A:H %%i > %TEMP%\delete.me 2>&1 REM Returns an error if the file is not hidden, Success means the file is hidden IF NOT ERRORLEVEL 1 (REM Prints the attributes and the file name (A=Archived, S=System, H=Hidden, I=Not Indexed) ATTRIB %%i SET /A CNT=CNT+1



ECHO Finished %~nx0 at %DATE% %TIME%. Count = %CNT%





Dir hidden files updated in current month

```
Starting Hidden.bat at Wed 01/01/2017 15:46:32.94
             C:\users\fred\NTUSER.DAT
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\IconCache.db
   Н
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Credentials\68A8F6097AFFD807BE8B31CAB79E2CF7
   SH
   SH
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Credentials\7A5C2BCD963C43DD1CABCCC685110AA9
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\UsrClass.dat
   н
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\MSHist012017073120170807\container.dat
   SH
   SH
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\MSHist012017080720170808\container.dat
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\MSHist012017080820170809\container.dat
   SH
        I
   SH
        Ι
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\MSHist012017080920170810\container.dat
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Notifications\WPNPRMRY.tmp
   Н
   SH
C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Packages\Microsoft.Windows.Cortana cw5n1h2txyewy\AC\AppCache\63Z2SVEB\46\container.dat
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Packages\Microsoft.WindowsMaps_8wekyb3d8bbwe\AC\INetCache\container.dat
   SH
   SH
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Local\Packages\Microsoft.WindowsMaps 8wekyb3d8bbwe\AC\INetCookies\container.dat
             C:\users\fred\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Office\Recent\index.dat
A SH C:\users\fred\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Protect\S-1-5-21-1584042266-1357540265-3178510380-1001\39359ce9-b42b-46f7-b894-f54f8ca23cd0
  SH C:\users\fred\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Protect\S-1-5-21-1584042266-1357540265-3178510380-1001\fb38b817-be0b-4898-9437-8eea7329c2ce
             C:\users\fred\IntelGraphicsProfiles\Brighten Video.man.igpi
  SH
             C:\users\fred\IntelGraphicsProfiles\Darken Video.man.igpi
  SH
             C:\users\fred\IntelGraphicsProfiles\Enhance Video Colors.man.igpi
Finished Hidden.bat at Wed 01/01/2017 15:48:17.53. Count = 19
```



PowerShell hidden files updated in 7 days

```
[CmdletBinding()]
Param(
   [Parameter(Mandatory=$True,Position=1)] [String]$Dir
Get-ChildItem -Recurse $Dir -Force -ErrorAction
SilentlyContinue
  Where-Object { ($_.mode -match "h") -and
    ($_.LastWriteTime -gt (Get-Date).AddDays(-7))
```





PowerShell hidden files updated in 7 days

```
@echo off
                #disable echo
                #remark
echo %1 %2 %3
                #command line arguments
                #set a variable. avoid quotes here
set foo=bar
                #use 'set /a' for numeric
set x=4
                #now y is 5
set /a y=x+1
echo %x% %y%
                #prints '4 5'
echo %foo% + %bar%
set foo="This is some magic foo"
                                    #should never use quotes on a 'set'
set bar=This is some magic bar
                                    #all spaces are kept, including trailing spaces
echo %bar%
                    #use variable manipulation to remove the leading and trailing quotes
echo %foo:~1,-1%
setlocal
                #use local context for variables
endlocal
                #end local context (automatic at end of a .bat file)
if %foo% == 4 (echo yep) else (echo nope)
                                              #can be multi-line: '(' at end of line, ')' at beginning
                                              #if-exist
if exist c:\tmp\file.txt echo There it is
if errorlevel 1 ...
                                              #if previous command failed with %ERRORLEVEL% >= 1
for /?
for %i in ( 1 3 7 ) do @echo %i
                                                 #iterate through a list of values
for /1 %n in (0,1,5) do @(echo Round %n)
                                                 #for loop (start,increment,stop)
for /f $a in ( "file" ) do ...
                                                 #read values from a file (for /?)
Be aware that %i, etc all must be doubled inside a .bat file. I.e.,
for %%i in ( 1 3 7 ) do @echo %%i
                                                 #iterate through a list of values
```



ACTIVITY: DLL Enumeration

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SysInternals Tools

<tool name> /? - provides help menu for each tool

PROCESSES

psinfo

psinfo -h -s -d -nobanner

pslist

procmon

autoruns

handle

handle -p process name>

shows basic system info, remote capabilities

- shows processes in tree format
- view, monitor, filter processes (GUI based)
- checks autorun registry locations
- shows handles of all processes
- specific process (matches partial names)

SysInternals Tools

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USERS

logonsessions

logonsessions -p

psloggedon

NETWORKING

tcpview

- lists all currently logged in sessions
- lists processes running in each logon sessions
- more functionality regarding remote users sessions

robust netstat viewer/monitor



RESEARCH ACTIVITY: Sysinternals suite

psinfo logonsessions pslist

handle

psloggedon

tcpview



ACTIVITY: Groups by User

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ACTIVITY: Rootkit Hunter

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