Original task was to setup databases in the created earlier domain

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Portfolio 2

Observations

Topology and VMs descriptions can be seen here (Table 1, Figure 1).

Microsoft SQL server 14.0.1000.169 as well as SQL Server Management Studio 18.1 were installed on the third Windows server machine. After that, simple database was created, two tables were added and filled with data samples (Figure 2).

Database was then backed up manually (Figure 3, Figure 4). Several options can be configured: backup type (full, differential or transaction log), backup path (local path or URL), encryption, schedule, etc. In this case, whole database was backed up to the local hard drive.

Then, tables were deleted (Figure 5). Query returns error, that there is no such a table.

Database was restored from the back up (Figure 6). All the data is in place.

MySQL community server 8.0 was installed on the second Linux server. After that, simple database was created (Figure 8).

Database was backed up manually using mysqldump utility (Figure 9). Mysqldump utility has a lot of different options. One can back up different databases to different backup files, remote server can be specified, back up files can be compressed and/or encrypted, etc.

Then, database was dropped completely (Figure 10).

Database was then restored from the back up (Figure 11). All the data can be seen again (Figure 12).

Table 1. VMs description

VM Name	OS	Memory	Disk Space	Admin account	VM function	IP address
WINSRV1-	Windows	4 GB	40 GB	Administrator	Domain Controller,	10.174.68.10/24
SB-8569394	server 2016			Secret55	DNS and DHCP	
					server	
WINSRV2-	Windows	4 GB	40 GB	Administrator	Domain Controller,	10.174.68.11/24
SB-8569394	server 2016			Secret55	DNS and DHCP	
					server	
LINSRV1-SB-	CentOS 7	1 GB	8 GB	Administrator	Web-Server	10.174.68.12/24
8569394				Root		
				Secret55		
LINSRV2-	CentOS 7	1 GB	8 GB	Administrator	MySQL Server	10.174.68.13/24
SB9394				Root		
				Secret55		
WINWS-SB-	Windows 10	2 GB	32 GB	Administrator	Workstation	10.174.68.40/24
8569394				Secret55		
LINWS-SB-	CentOS 7	1 GB	4 GB	Administrator	Workstation	10.174.68.41/24
8569394				Root		
				Secret55		
BACKSRV-	Windows	4 GB	40 GB	Administrator	MS SQL Server	10.174.68.30/24
SB-8569394	Server 2016			Secret55		

Screenshots

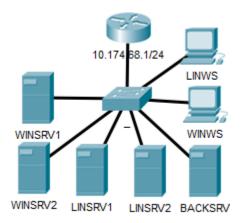


Figure 1. Topology

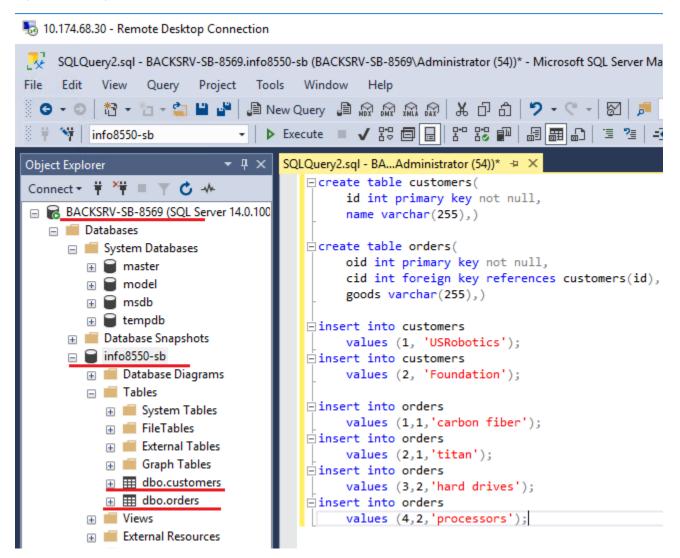


Figure 2. MS SQL database was created

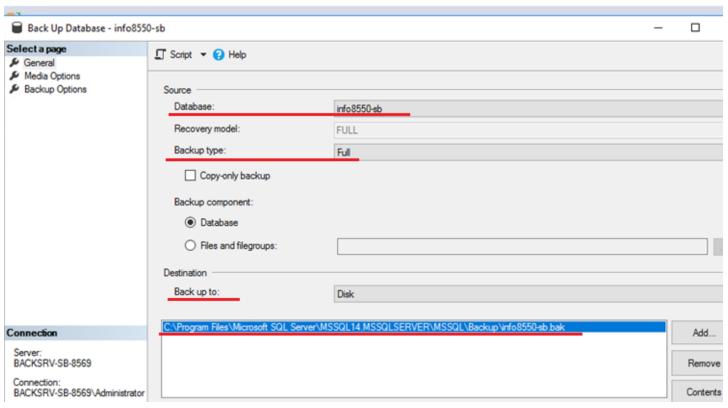


Figure 3. Backing up MS SQL database

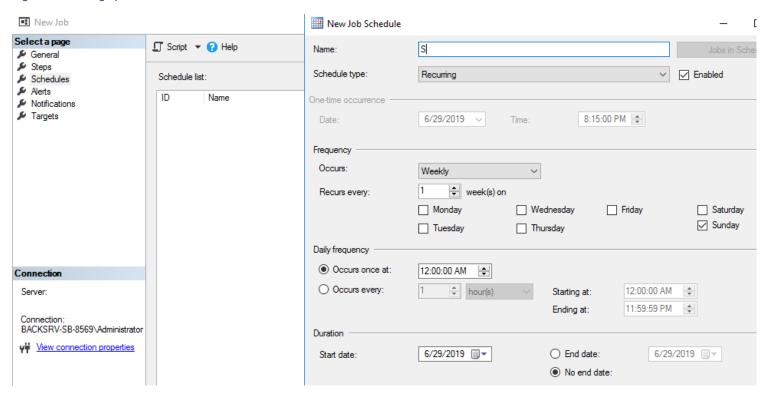


Figure 4. Scheduling backing up process of MS SQL database

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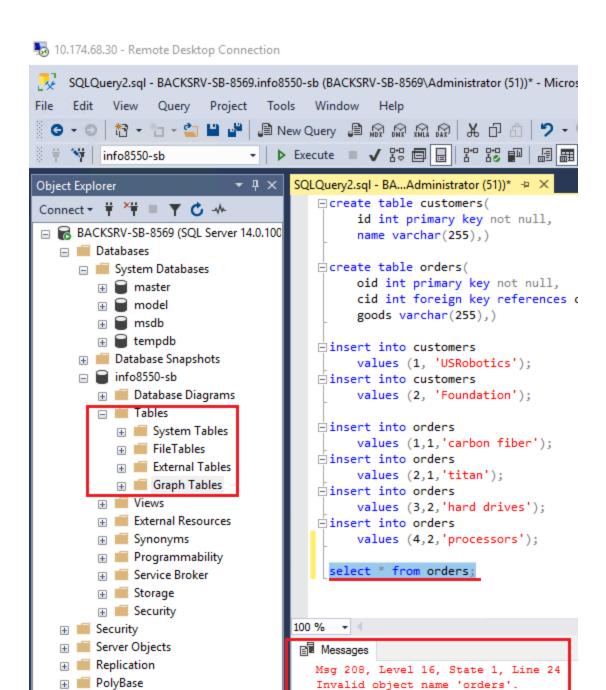


Figure 5. Tables were deleted

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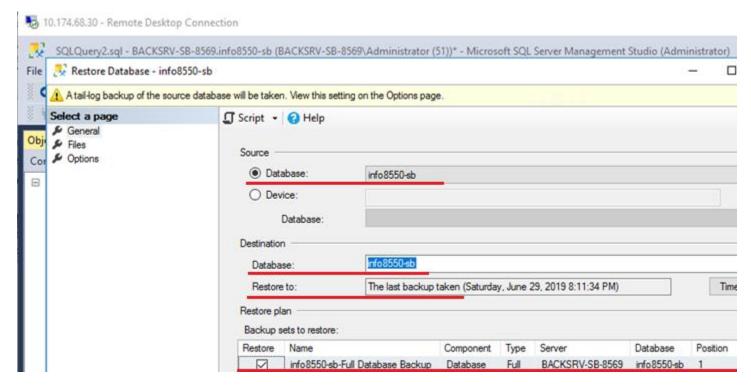


Figure 6. Restoring database

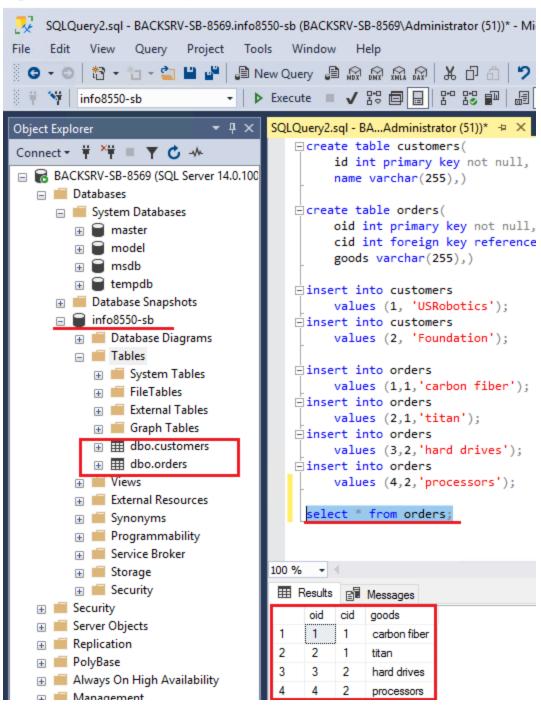


Figure 7. Database was restored

Figure 8. MySQL database was created

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[root@linsrv2-sb9394 ~]# mysqldump -u root -p 14 > 14.backup
Enter password:
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Figure 9. MySQL database was backed up

Figure 10. Database was deleted

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[root@linsrv2-sb9394 ~]# mysqldump -u root -p 14 > 14.backup
Enter password:
```

Figure 11. Restoring database

Figure 12. Restored MySQL database

Reflections

Although, backup was created, there is no big sense in them in the real environment. They can only prevent accidental data changes. For instance, if hard drive failure occurs, database will not be recovered. Database should be backed up to several different places: to another hard drive, to another host, maybe to a cloud. This will increase redundancy significantly. Then, this process must be scheduled. It can be done in the MS SQL Management Studio (Figure 4) on Windows machines and using cron utility for MySQL database on Linux machine. E.g. every day at night, when databases are hardly loaded. Furthermore, several processes can be configured, i.e. one for full backup once a week and another one for quicker differential everyday backup.

One issue with MySQL server was faced during completing this portfolio. MySQL server did not want to install on Linux VM with thin provisioned disk, although maximum capacity of the disk was big enough. 'Ignorespacecheck' flag did not help. So, it was decided to reimage VM with thick provisioned disk.

Changes

There were minor changes in the Observations section, the table with descriptions was added.

Topology screenshot was added to the Screenshots section. On several other screenshots a few details were highlighted.

Reflections sections now contains more details. A problem description and its resolution were also added.

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