

Open CloudServer (OCS) Operations Toolkit User Guide

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1 Overview

The Open CloudServer (OCS) Operations Toolkit is a collection of scripts and utilities for updating, diagnosing, and testing OCS servers and chassis managers. This Toolkit provides a one stop shop for utilities, tests and diagnostics that provide:

- Diagnostics
 - o Identify defective components such as HDD, DIMM, and processor
 - View, log, and compare configurations
 - o Read, clear and log errors
- Stressors
 - o System stress tests to identify intermittent problems
 - Component specific stress tests
 - Cycling tests to identify intermittent initialization problems
- Updates
 - Update programmable components such as BIOS and BMC
 - o Batch update of all programmable components
- Miscellaneous
 - Debug functions to execute IPMI and REST commands

The Toolkit runs on 64 bit versions of WinPE version 5.1 or later, Windows Server 2012 or later, and Windows 8.1 or later. The Toolkit can be deployed on bootable WinPE USB flash drives, WinPE RAM drives (from PXE Server), and drives with the Windows Server and Desktop Operating Systems.

1.1 Implementation

The Toolkit is implemented using PowerShell scripts. Every command in the Toolkit is a PowerShell function that can be executed within a PowerShell console, from a CMD shell, or from within another PowerShell script. The advantages of using PowerShell are...

- Shared code inside and outside of Microsoft
- Significant experience within Microsoft and the industry
- Readable and writeable with text editor
- Runs under WinPE and Windows
- WMI support
- Expandable with 3rd party utilities (ie: LSI/Mellanox)

2 Quick Start Guide - WinPE

The Toolkit is designed to run under WinPE 5.1 or later. The Toolkit can be added to an existing WinPE image or a new image can be created specifically for the Toolkit.

2.1.1 Create the USB flash drive

To create a Toolkit WinPE image on a USB flash drive see the Installation for WinPE section.

2.1.2 Insert the USB flash drive

Insert the USB flash drive into the server blade's USB connector. The mechanical location of the USB connector is different for each blade and in some cases may require a special converter cable and/or removing brackets to get access.

2.1.3 Boot to the USB flash drive

Power on the blade and boot to the USB drive. In some cases the BIOS boot order may need to be changed to boot to the USB drive. If this is the case enter BIOS setup using the serial connection and change the boot order.

2.1.4 Open a Serial Connection

If running on a headless server then a serial connection is used for video and keyboard. To open a serial connection from a Chassis Manager from WCSCLI command prompt:

wcscli -startbladeserialsession -i <bladeslot>

When the blade has booted to the WinPE image the serial console will display a SAC> prompt. A short time later a message saying CMD is available is displayed. After the CMD is available start a CMD session from the SAC prompt by typing:

cmd ch -si 1

2.1.5 Start the Toolkit

To start the Toolkit from the command prompt type PowerShell and then load the scripts by typing

. \WcsTest\Scripts\WcsScripts.ps1

2.1.6 Common Commands

The following table lists common commands used for debugging with the WinPE image.

Command	Description
View-WcsHealth	Displays the current health of the system
View-WcsSel -Hardware	Displays hardware error entries in the BMC SEL
Clear-WcsError	Clears Windows event logs and BMC SEL
View-WcsDimm	Displays basic DIMM info for each DIMM in the system
View-WcsDisk	Displays basic disk info and status for each disk in the system
View-WcsFirmware	Displays BIOS and BMC versions
Run-Quickstress	Runs system stress for the time specified

3 Quick Start Guide -Windows Server and Desktop OS

3.1.1 Install the Toolkit

To install the Toolkit see the Installation for Windows Server and Desktop OS section.

3.1.2 Start the Toolkit

Double click the <u>OCS Toolkit</u> shortcut on the desktop. This opens a PowerShell console and automatically loads the scripts.

3.1.3 Common Commands

To display a list of commands type Get-OcsHelp or OcsHelp.

The following table lists common commands used within the Windows Desktop and Server OS. For additional help on any of these commands type Get-Help <command name> -Full

Command	Description
View-WcsHealth	Displays the current health of the system
View-WcsSel -Hardware	Displays hardware error entries in the BMC SEL
Clear-WcsError	Clears Windows event logs and BMC SEL
View-WcsConfig	Displays configuration information on the system
View-WcsVersion	Displays the version of the Toolkit
Run-Quickstress	Runs system stress for the time specified

3.1.4 Documentation

This User Guide can be found in \WcsTest\Scripts\Reference\Documentation directory.

4 Command List Summary

4.1 Diagnostic Commands

4.1.1 System Health and Error Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Clear-WcsError	Clears Windows event logs and BMC SEL	
Check-WcsError	Checks the Windows event logs and BMC SEL for suspect	
CHECK-WCSLITOI	errors	
View-WcsHealth	Displays the current health of the system	
Log-WcsHealth	Logs the current health of the system to a file	
Get-WcsHealth	Returns an object containing the health of the system	
View-WcsSel	Displays the BMC SEL	
Log-WcsSel	Logs the BMC SEL to a file	
Get-WcsSel	Returns an object containing the BMC SEL entries	

Clear-WcsSel Clears the BMC SEL	
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4.1.2 Configuration Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
View-WcsDimm	Displays DIMM info and status for each DIMM	
View-WcsDisk	Displays disk info and status for each disk	
View-WcsDrive	Displays logical drives in the system	
View-WcsFirmware	Displays BIOS and BMC versions	
View-WcsFru	Displays basic FRU info	
View-WcsHba	Displays basic info for storage adapter	
View-WcsNic	Displays basic info for NIC adapter	
View-WcsProcessor	Displays basic info on processor	
View-WcsUpdate	Displays updates available	
Cot WesConfig	Reads the system configuration from a file or the current	
Get-WcsConfig	system and returns an XML object	
Log-WcsConfig	Logs a system configuration into an XML file and text	
Log-vvcscoring	readable file	
Compare-WcsConfig	Compares two configurations and returns the number of	
Compare wescoming	mismatches	
View-WcsConfig	Displays a system configuration	
Update-WcsConfig	Batch updates system to all of the latest programmable	
opuate-wescoming	components	
Log-MsInfo32	Logs system information from msinfo32 into a log file	No WinPE

4.2 Update Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Update-WcsConfig	Batch updates system to all of the latest programmable	
Opuate-wcscoming	components	

4.3 Stress Commands

4.3.1 System Stress Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Run-QuickStress	Runs IO, memory and processor stress using Prime95 and	
Ruii-QuickStress	DiskSpeed or IOmeter	
Varify QuickStross	Command verifies the results of Run-QuickStress when run	
Verify-QuickStress	with the -NoWait option	
Run-IOmeter	Runs IOmeter	No WinPE
Verify-IOmeter	Command verifies the results of Run-IOmeter when run	No WinPE
verily-ioineter	with the -NoWait option	
Run-DiskSpeed	Runs DiskSpeed IO stress	
Varify DickSpood	Command verifies the results of Run-DiskSpeed when run	
Verify-DiskSpeed	with the -NoWait option	

Run-Prime95	Runs Prime95 torture test	
Verify-Prime95	Command verifies the results of Run-Prime95 when run	
verify-r filliess	with the -NoWait option	
Run-DiskSmartTest	Runs the SMART disk test	

4.3.2 Cycle Test Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Cycle OsPahaat	Runs IO, memory and processor stress using Prime95	
Cycle-OsReboot	and DiskSpeed or IOmeter	
Cycle-WcsUpdate	Cycles between two versions of updates	No WinPE
Cycle-WcsBladePower	Cycles power to multiple blades within a chassis	No WinPE
Cycle-WcsCheck	Checks configuration and errors on startup. Used with	
Cycle-wcscheck	Cycle-WcsBladePower command.	
Set-Autologin	Setup the OS for autologin	No WinPE

4.3.3 Test Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Pre-WcsTest	Run before test to clear logs and gather config information	
Post-WcsTest	Run after test to gather log and config information	

4.4 Miscellaneous Commands

4.4.1 Base Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Get-WcsHelp or	Displays Taalkit commands	
Get-OcsHelp	Displays Toolkit commands	
View-WcsVersion or	Displays the version of the OCS Operations Toolkit	
View-OcsVersion	Displays the version of the OCS Operations Toolkit	

4.4.2 Comm Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Invoke-WcsRest	Executes a REST command on one or more chassis	
IIIVOKE-WCSKEST	managers and returns result as an XML object	

4.4.3 IPMI Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Invoke-Wcslpmi	Executes an IPMI command on a WCS blade	
Get-WcsFruData	Direct read of FRU device	
Update-WcsFruData	Direct write of FRU device	
Update-WcsFruChecksum	Writes checksum for a FRU data range	
Log-WcsFru	Logs the FRU device data	
Get-WcsFru	Gets the FRU information	
Update-WcsFru	Updates the FRU with user information such as Asset	
Opuate-west tu	Tag	

4.4.4 Remote Commands

Command	Description	Limitations
Copy-WcsFile	Copies files to one or more remote systems	
Copy-WcsRemoteFile	Copies files from one or more remote systems	
Invoke-WcsCommand	Runs command on one or more remote systems	
Invoke-WcsScript	Runs script on one or more remote systems	
Ping-WcsSystem	Pings one or more remote systems	
Set-WcsBladeCredential	Sets default credential for WCS blade accesss	
Set-WcsChassisCredential	Sets default credential for WCS chassis managers	
Reboot-WcsBlade	Reboots one or more remote blade systems	
Reboot-WcsChassis	Reboots one or more remote chassis managers	
Remove-WcsRemoteFile	Deletes files on one or more remote system	
Shutdown-WcsBlade	Shuts down one or more remote blade systems	

5 Requirements to Run the Toolkit

5.1.1 PowerShell ExecutionPolicy must allow script execution

The Toolkit requires the PowerShell execution policy be set to allow the running of scripts. One possible way to enable script execution is to run this command:

PowerShell -Command Set-ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned -Force

5.1.2 Run As Administrator

Many of the commands must be run as administrator because they read low level hardware information. If commands are not run as an administrator they may return incomplete or incorrect information.

Note that starting the Toolkit using the desktop shortcut automatically runs the Toolkit as administrator.

6 Running the Toolkit

6.1 Running in a PowerShell Console - Windows OS

The PowerShell console allows commands to be executed interactively and is the best environment for debugging and developing new scripts. Within Windows Desktop or Server OS the easiest way to run the Toolkit in a PowerShell console is to double-click the <u>OCS Toolkit</u> shortcut on the desktop.



To load the scripts without using the shortcut start a PowerShell console (as Administrator) and dot source the top level script by typing:

. \WcsTest\Scripts\WcsScripts.ps1

6.2 Running in a PowerShell Console - WinPE

Start a PowerShell console (as Administrator) and dot source the top level script by typing:

. \WcsTest\Scripts\WcsScripts.ps1

When using the SAC (Special Administration Console) the PowerShell console can be started by typing PowerShell from the CMD session prompt.

Note that the console window is limited to 25 lines when running the SAC within WinPE. This significantly reduces the data that can be displayed.

6.3 Running from the Command Line

A CMD shell can be opened using either SAC or Remote Desktop. From within the CMD shell individual Toolkit commands can be run using the following syntax:

PowerShell -Command EXIT (. \WcsTest\Scripts\WcsScripts.ps1; <command>)

The Exit() syntax is required so the command's return code is provided to the caller.

The . \WcsTest\Scripts\WcsScripts.ps1 is required to load the scripts and libraries that the command requires. Note the loading of the scripts can be added to a profile so that this is done automatically.

6.4 Running Remotely with PsExec

Commands can be run on one or more remote systems. This is implemented using the PsExec utility. Remote execution requires:

- 1. Knowing the IP address or hostname of the targets
- 2. Network access to the targets
- 3. Knowing the administrator credentials for the target
- 4. Remote execution enabled on the target's OS

Because of the above requirements remote execution is typically only used in a lab or preproduction environment.

7 Documentation and Help

7.1 User Guide

This User Guide can be found in the \WcsTest\Scripts\References\Documentation directory. This User Guide provides general information on the Toolkit but for more detailed information refer to the Online Help and PowerShell scripts.

7.2 Online Help

All commands include standard PowerShell help information that can be viewed using the built-in PowerShell Get-Help command. To display a list of commands type one of the following commands:

Get-WcsHelp WcsHelp OcsHelp Get-OcsHelp

To display help information on a command in the above list use the Get-Help commands like:

```
Get-Help Run-QuickStress
```

Displays help information on the Run-QuickStress command. Use the standard PowerShell switches -Full and -Examples to get additional help information.

7.3 PowerShell Scripts

Commands are implemented as PowerShell functions and can be read with a text editor or the PowerShell ISE. Reading the scripts is the best way to determine what the commands actually do and why they do it.

The scripts can be found in the \WcsTest\Scripts and \WcsTest\Scripts\Library directories. The top level script is \WcsTest\Scripts\WcsSripts.ps1. This script loads the rest of the library scripts.

To find the source for a specific command look in the library file for that command's group. The command's group can be found in the Command List Summary section. For example:

- Base commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\BaseLibrary.ps1
- Configuration commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\ConfigLibrary.ps1
- Comm commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\CommLibrary.ps1
- System stress commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\StressLibrary.ps1
- Cycle test commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\CycleLibrary.ps1
- Test commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\TestLibrary.ps1
- Remote commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\RemoteLibrary.ps1
- IPMI commands are in \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\IpmiLibrary.ps1

7.4 Logging Results

By default all commands log results in the \WcsTest\Results directory. This can be changed using input parameters on most Toolkit commands. However, the idea is to place all commands in the same area so they are easy to find.

8 Diagnostic Commands

8.1 Health and Error Commands

8.1.1 Clear-WcsError

Command clears the Windows Event Logs and the BMC SEL.

8.1.2 Check-WcsError

Command backs up and checks the Windows Event Logs and BMC SEL for suspect errors. Suspect errors are defined as entries likely to be caused by hardware issues. By default the command considers the following entries as suspect errors:

- BMC SEL entries for hardware errors
- Windows System Event Log entries from WHEA, bug checks, and critical errors

8.1.3 View-WcsHealth

Command displays the overall health of the System. The commands includes switches to ignore errors in the Windows Device Manager, FRU, and hardware error logs. The below example shows a system with ECC errors and missing device drivers. Note there is no device manager in WinPE.

8.1.4 Log-WcsHealth

Command logs the current health to a file.

8.1.5 View-WcsSel

Displays the BMC SEL entries. The command has a switch to display decoded or undecoded entries. It also has a switch to only display hardware error entries. It can also filter by sensor and record types.

8.1.6 Log-WcsSel

Command logs the current BMC SEL entries to a file.

8.1.7 Clear-WcsSel

Command clears the BMC SEL entries. This command is a subset of the functionality of the Clear-WcsError command.

8.2 Configuration Commands

These commands get, view, log, and compare system configurations. There are several configuration commands that display a subset of the information displayed by the View-WcsConfig command. These commands limit their output to less than 25 lines and 80 characters so they work well when using the SAC console within WinPE.

8.2.1 View-WcsFirmware

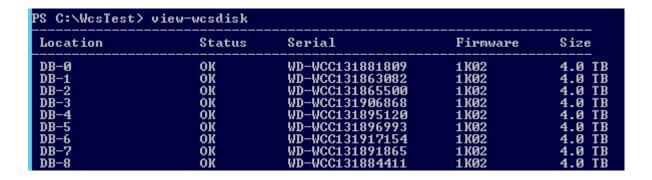
Displays the BIOS and BMC version of the system.

8.2.2 View-WcsDisk

Command displays the disk location, status, serial number, and firmware version. Disk location is displayed as <BladeType>-<LabelNumber> where:

- < BladeType > is SB for Server Blade or DB for a Disk/Data Blade
- < LabelNumber > is the number on the blade disk label in the front/top of blade

Example output from View-WcsDisk showing HDD on the data blade (JBOD).



8.2.3 View-WcsDimm

Command displays the DIMM location, status, serial number, model, and size. DIMM location is the silkscreen label on the board next to the connector. If the DIMM has reported ECC errors then the status will indicate an error as show on DIMM A1 below.

PS C:\WcsTest 	> view-wcsdi	ካጠ 		
Location	Status	Serial	Mode1	Size
DIMM A1	ERROR	213E702C	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM A2	OK	213E7052	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM B1	ОК	213E7Ø33	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM B2	ОК	213E702D	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM C1	OK	213E709B	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM C2	ОК	213E6FF3	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM D1	ОК	213E70A1	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM D2	OK	213E7023	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM E1	ОК	213E6FEF	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM E2	OK	213E70A4	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM F1	OK	213E7ØAB	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB
DIMM F2	OK	213E7ØA5	M393B1G73BH0-YH9	8.0 GiB

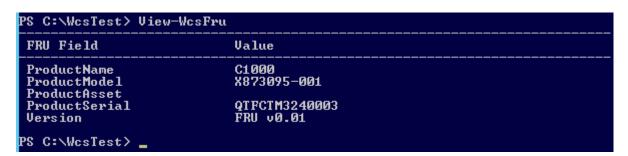
8.2.4 View-WcsDrive

Displays logical drives mapped by the OS.



8.2.5 View-WcsFru

Displays blade FRU information. Example output showing a blade with missing Asset information.



8.2.6 View-WcsHba

Displays blade HBA model, serial number, and firmware.

PS C:\WcsTest> View-WcsHba			
НВА	Serial	Firwmare	FW Package
LSI MegaRAID SAS 9270CU-8i	SV31732362	3.340.55-3173	23.22.0-0020
PS C:\WcsTest> _			

8.2.7 View-WcsNic

Displays blade NIC model, MAC, and firmware.

NIC			Mac
Mellanox ConnectX-3 Ethernet Adapter Mellanox ConnectX-3 Ethernet Adapter		08:9E:01:93:CF:BI 08:9E:01:93:CF:BO	
Mellanox ID	Firwmare	PXE	UEFI

8.2.8 View-WcsProcessor

Displays processor information.

```
PS C:\WcsTest> View-Wcsprocessor

Processor Model

SOCKET Ø Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2450 Ø @ 2.10GHz
Intel64 Family 6 Model 45 Stepping 7

SOCKET 1 Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2450 Ø @ 2.10GHz
Intel64 Family 6 Model 45 Stepping 7

PS C:\WcsTest> _____
```

8.2.9 Full Configuration Commands

The rest of the configuration commands view, log, and compare the full configuration of systems. Because these commands display a lot of information it is not recommended to run them within the SAC.

8.2.10 View-WcsConfig

To view the current configuration:

```
View-WcsConfig
```

By default only displays a summary of the config. To see the full summary add the -Full switch.

Partial example of View-WcsConfig output:

```
System Info
    Computer
    TotalMemmory
                                                       68683476992 (64.0 GiB)
    Total Processors
                                                       16
Software Info
    BIOS Version
BMC Version
                                                       T6M_3B07
4.05
    OS Name
                                                       Microsoft Windows Server 2012 Datacenter (Version 6.2.9200)
RU Info
    Chassis Part Number
Chassis Serial Number
Board Manufacturer
Board Name
                                                       X873021-001
                                                       Microsoft
                                                       C1000

X873096-001

MH832100310

FRU v0.01
    Board Part Number
Board Serial Number
Board FRU
Processor Info
                                                       Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2450 0 @ 2.10GHz (Cores: 8 LogicalCores:
Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2450 0 @ 2.10GHz (Cores: 8 LogicalCores:
    SOCKET 0
    SOCKET 1
DIMM Info
    ChannelB_Dimm1
ChannelC_Dimm1
ChannelE_Dimm1
ChannelF_Dimm1
                                                                                                                                               Speed: 1333
Speed: 1333
Speed: 1333
Speed: 1333
                                                                                                        36KSF2G72PZ-1G6E1
36KSF2G72PZ-1G6E1
36KSF2G72PZ-1G6E1
                                                       Micron
                                                       Micron
                                                       Micron
                                                                                                        36KSF2G72PZ-1G6E1
                                                       Micron
 isk Info
```

8.2.11 Get-WcsConfig

To store the current configuration in a PowerShell variable:

```
$NewConfig = Get-WcsConfig
```

8.2.12 Log-WcsConfig

To log the configuration stored in the variable \$NewConfig to the file MyConfigFile:

```
Log-WcsConfig -Config $NewConfig -File MyConfigFile
```

Configurations are logged in an XML file and a more readable text file. The resulting file names are <filename>.Config.XML and <filename>.Config.Log. In the above example they would be MyConfigFile.Config.XML and MyConfigFile.Config.Log.

By default all configurations are logged to and read from \WcsTest\Configurations directory.

By default the command will log the current configuration. For example, to log the current configuration to \WcsTest\Configurations\CurrentFile.*

Log-WcsConfig -File CurrentFile

8.2.13 Compare-WcsConfig

Configurations can be compared with the Compare-WcsConfig command. By default the Compare-WcsConfig does not compare unique fields such as MAC address and serial numbers. To include the unique fields in the comparison use the -Exact switch. Typically the -Exact switch is used when comparing against a previous configuration where the components should be exactly the same.

To compare against a previous configuration stored in a file:

```
$Recipe = Get-WcsConfig <Name of previous configuration file>
Compare-WcsConfig -RefConfig $Recipe -Exact
```

To compare against a recipe stored in a file:

```
$Recipe = Get-WcsConfig <Name of recipe file>
Compare-WcsConfig -RefConfig $Recipe -OnlyRefDevices
```

The results of the comparison can be saved into a variable. Simply pass a reference to the variable to store the results. The below examples shows the comparison results being stored in the \$Results variable and then logged to the CompareResultsFile.

```
Compare-WcsConfig -RefConfig $Recipe -RefToResults ([ref] $Results) Log-WcsConfig -Config $Results -File CompareResultsFile
```

9 Configuration Updates

To update all system components use the Update-WcsConfig command. To update an individual programmable component within the console type the full path to the WcsUpdate.ps1 file. To determine which updates are available for updating run the View-WcsUpdate command.

9.1.1 Update-WcsConfig

The Update-WcsConfig command updates all the programmables for any WCS blade or chassis manager. The command works as follows:

- 1. Reads the BIOS version and FRU to determine the system type
- 2. Reads current versions of all programmables
- 3. Updates only the down-rev programmables in the proper sequence. This may require reboots or power cycles
- 4. When all programmables have been updated returns code 0 and displays a message

This command requires the latest programmables to update to the latest configurations. Before updating any programmables always ensure using the latest release.

10 System Stress Commands

The system stress commands provide functional stress at the system or subsystem level. These commands configure the stress applications, run them the time specified, and then parse their log files for errors.

10.1.1 Run-IoMeter and Run-DiskSpeed (IO Stress)

There are two applications used for IO stress: IOmeter and DiskSpd. To run IOmeter for 60 minutes:

```
Run-IOmeter -TimeInMin 60
```

By default the IO stress test is run on all logical drives, except C:, with at least 100MB free space and all physical drives without a partition. To test the C: use the -Full switch.

10.1.2 Run-Prime95 (Memory and Processor Stress)

The Run-Prime95 command runs the Prime95 torture test concurrently as a memory and processor stress test. To run the stress for 60 minutes:

Run-Prime95 -TimeInMin 60

10.1.3 Run-Quickstress (Concurrent System Stress)

The Run-QuickStress command runs the Prime95 torture test concurrently with IO stress. The default IO stress is DiskSpd but IOmeter can also be run. To run concurrent systems stress for 60 minutes:

```
Run-QuickStress -TimeInMin 60
```

By default the IO stress test is run on all logical drives, except C:, with at least 100MB free space and all physical drives without a partition. To test the C: use the -Full switch. If no drives are available then only Prime95 is run.

10.2 Cycle Test Commands

The Cycle Test Commands provide a way to continuously cycle systems. During each cycle the configuration is checked against a reference configuration and Check-WcsError is run to find any suspect errors.

The Cycle Test Commands require systems to be setup for auto-login. Follow the help information in the Set-Autologin script help to accomplish this.

10.2.1 Cycle-OsReboot

This command reboots the system using the OS reboot command. This command requires some setup before execution. Refer to the command's help information for what setup is required. To run 100 reboots on a system:

10.2.2 Cycle-WcsUpdate

It is also possible to cycle test the updating of the BIOS or other firmware using the Cycle-WcsUpdate command. This command requires some setup before execution. Refer to the command's help information for what setup is required. This command is targeted for internal validation of server blade systems.

10.2.3 Cycle-WcsBladePower

It is also possible to power cycle all blades in a chassis using the Cycle-WcsBladePower command. This command requires some setup before execution. Refer to the command's help information for what setup is required. This command is targeted for internal validation of server blade systems.

10.3 Test Commands

10.3.1 Pre-WcsTest

Command to be run prior to a test that logs the system configuration and then clears the error logs.

10.3.2 Post-WcsTest

Command to be run after a test that reports the number of suspect errors in the Windows System Event Log and the BMC SEL and then backs up the error logs and saves the system configuration.

11 Miscellaneous Commands

11.1 Communication (Comm) Commands

11.1.1 Invoke-WcsRest

This commands allows REST commands to be sent to one or more chassis managers concurrently. The responses are returned as an array of XML objects. The below examples read the chassis manager service version for all the targets specified in \$ipList

\$Resp = Invoke-WcsRest -TargetList \$IpList -Command "GetServiceVersion"

11.2 IPMI Commands

11.2.1 Invoke-Wcslpmi

This commands allows in band access to the server BMC using IPMI commands. This command requires knowing the low level byte inputs and outputs for IPMI. Refer to the IPMI specification and this command's help for details on how to run.

11.3 Remote Commands

Commands can be run on one or more remote systems. Remote execution requires:

- Knowing the IP address or hostname of the targets
- Network access to the targets
- Knowing the administrator credentials for the target
- Remote execution enabled on the target's OS

Because of the above requirements remote execution is typically only used in a lab or preproduction environment. There is significant delay with running remote commands so it only make sense to use them when running commands on more than one system or when running commands unattended.

For additional details on remote commands recommend looking at the example script located here:

\WcsTest\Scripts\Reference\ExampleScripts\RemoteExample.ps1

To run a command remotely follow this sequence:

1. By default the remote commands used are the credentials in the \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\CredentialLibrary.ps1 file. To use different credentials modify that file or run the following commands:

```
Set-WcsBladeCredential -User <user> -Password <password>
Set-WcsChassisCredential -User <user> -Password <password>
```

2. Copy the Toolkit to the targets. If the targets already have the latest Toolkit installed this step can be skipped.

```
Copy-WcsFile -Target $TargetList -LocalDir \Wcstest -RemoteDirectory
\WcsTest [-Chassis]
```

Specifying -Chassis uses the chassis credentials. If not specified then uses the blade credentials.

The \$TargetList variable is an array of IP addresses or hostnames for the targets. For example:

```
$TargetList = @('192.168.200.10','192.168.200.11')
$TargetList = @('host01','host02')
```

3. Run one or more commands using the Invoke-WcsCommand command. This example shows running QuickStress on all the targets in the \$TargetList.

```
Invoke-WcsCommand -Target $TargetList -Command 'Run-Quickstress -Time 1'
```

By default the Invoke-WcsCommand only waits 5 minutes for the remote command to complete. If the commands takes longer than 5 minutes a timeout error occurs. To increase this wait time use the WaitTimeInSeconds parameters.

The command returns the number of targets that did not return an exit code of 0. If all targets returned 0 then the commands returns 0. The command also displays the return code information for each target if not 0.

A common return code is 1326 which indicates the credentials are not valid.

4. [Optional] Copy the log files back. To copy all the results files from all the remote system use the following command.

```
Copy-WcsRemoteFile -Target $TargetList -RemoteDir \WcsTest\Results
```

The target's files are copied to \WcsTest\RemoteFiles\<target>\Results. For example:

\WcsTest\RemoteFiles\192.168.200.10\Results\...

\WcsTest\RemoteFiles\192.168.200.11\Results\...

12 Installation for Windows Server and Desktop OS

To install the Toolkit to Windows 8.1 or Server 2012 or later:

- 1. If a previous installation exists delete the \WcsTest\Scripts folder
- 2. Copy all files into \WcsTest

The Toolkit can be installed in any directory. Simply extract the compressed file to the install directory desired. However, examples in this document assume the Toolkit is installed in \WcsTest so if the Toolkit is installed in a different directory replace \WcsTest with the install directory.

3. Enable script execution in PowerShell. One possible way to enable script execution is to run this command:

PowerShell -Command Set-ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned -Force

- 4. Copy the shortcut \WcsTest\OCS Toolkit.lnk to the desktop. If not installing to \WcsTest then modify the shortcut properties to point to the install directory.
- 5. For Open Source Releases install 3rd party applications according to Appendix: Installing 3rd Party Apps

To uninstall:

1. Delete the install directory (typically c:\WcsTest)

13 Installation for WinPE

The Toolkit is designed to work with WinPE 5.1 and later. To add the Toolkit to an existing WinPE image simply add the \WcsTest folder and enable script execution for PowerShell.

Instructions for creating a new WinPE image can be found here:

\WcsTest\Scripts\References\Documenation\WinPE\Creating_OCS_WinPE_Image.txt

14 Troubleshooting with the Toolkit

14.1 Finding Component's Physical Location

14.1.1 Finding Disks

The View-WcsDisk command reports a disk's location as <BladeType>-<LabelNumber> where:

- < BladeType > is SB for Server Blade or DB for a Disk/Data Blade
- < LabelNumber > is the number on the blade disk label in the front/top of blade

For example, the Disk SB-3 is server blade disk #3 according to the label on the front/top of the server blade. Disk DB-8 is disk blade disk #8 according to its label.

14.1.2 Finding DIMMs

The View-WcsDimm command reports a DIMM's location as the silkscreen label on the board next to the connector.

14.1.3 Finding Processors

The View-WcsProcessor command reports processors as Socket 0 or Socket 1 which corresponds to CPU 0 and CPU 1 on the board silkscreen.

14.2 Identifying Unresponsive Components

By definition unresponsive components cannot be read therefore the only way to detect them is compare the current components against a list of expected components or a previous list when all components were working. This can be done using the commands below.

14.2.1 Using Process of Elimination

To identify an unresponsive disk list all responding disks then visually inspect the system to identify any slots with disks that did not respond. To list the responding disks use one of:

View-WcsDisk

View-WcsConfig

The same technique can be used to identify DIMMs, NIC, and HBA.

14.2.2 Comparing against a Previous Configuration

When using a previous configuration the comparison reports the unresponsive components along with unique information for the missing component such as serial number, firmware, and manufacturer. To compare against a previous configuration:

```
$Recipe = Get-WcsConfig <Name of previous configuration file>
Compare-WcsConfig -RefConfig $Recipe -Exact
```

14.2.3 Comparing against a Recipe File

The recipe file lists the expected components at each location but without any knowledge of component specific information such as serial number and firmware version. When the comparison is done it reports any components missing from the recipe file. To compare against a recipe:

```
$Recipe = Get-WcsConfig <Name of recipe file>
Compare-WcsConfig -RefConfig $Recipe -OnlyRefDevices
```

14.3 Identifying Disks with Errors

To identify disks that are responsive but reporting errors run the following command:

```
View-WcsDisk
```

14.4 Identifying DIMM with ECC Errors

To identify DIMMS that are reporting errors run the following command:

```
View-WcsDimm
```

14.5 Identifying Intermittent Boot Problems

Intermittent boot problems can be identified by continuously rebooting the system and looking for errors. To cycle a system for 300 cycles run the following command:

```
Cycle-OsReboot -NumberOfCycles 300
```

This command requires some setup. Refer to the command's help information for details.

14.6 Identifying Intermittent Problems

In many cases intermittent hardware problems can be found by running functional system stress for an extended period of time. To run system stress for 60 minutes:

```
Run-QuickStress -TimeInMin 60
```

To run the stress for 15 minutes:

Run-QuickStress -TimeInMin 15

After system stress is completed check for errors in the Windows System Event Log and BMC SEL by running Check-WcsError.

15 Appendix: Additional References

15.1 Special Administration Console (SAC) Reference

Special Administration Console (SAC) is the primary Emergency Management Services command-line environment hosted by Windows Server operating systems. It is separate from the command-line environment and provides different functionality. When Emergency Management Services is enabled, SAC remains active as long as the kernel is running.

SAC provides a set of commands you can use to perform a number of management tasks that help return your system to a normally functioning state. These tasks include:

- Restarting or shutting down the server.
- Viewing a list of processes that are currently active.
- Ending processes.
- Setting or viewing the Internet Protocol (IP) address of the server.
- Generating a Stop error to create a memory dump file.
- Starting and accessing command prompts.

For more information about using SAC see MSDN.

15.1.1 Using SAC with the Toolkit

Useful SAC commands when running the Toolkit:

cmd Creates a Windows command-prompt channel

ch -si <n> Changes to channel <n> where channel 0 is SAC

I Displays IP parameters

restart Restarts

Within a CMD window to start Powershell:

Powershell

To enable script execution in PowerShell

Set-ExecutionPolicy -RemoteSigned -Force

To load the OCS Operations Toolkit scripts "dot source" them

. \<installDirectory>\Scripts\wcsScripts.ps1

Where <installDirectory> is the install directory of the scripts, typically \wcsTest

16 Appendix: Installing 3rd Party Apps

The following are instructions for integrating 3rd party utilities into the OCS Operations Toolkit. It is not required to integrate all or any of these utilities. Use the table below to determine which of the utilities best meet your needs.

Utility or Application	Toolkit dependencies	
Prime95	Used in Run-Prime95, Run-QuickStress	
IOmeter	Used in Run-IOmeter, Run-QuickStress	
DiskSpd	Used in Run-DiskSpeed, Run-QuickStress	
SmartCtl	Used for disk SMART test and configuration logging	
StorCli64	Used in View-WcsConfig, Update-WcsConfig	
	Required to read firmware version of LSI 9270 RAID adapter and disk information behind the LSI 9270. If not present then firmware version and disk information and status are reported as N/A.	
Sas2Flash	Used in View-WcsConfig, Get-WcsConfig	
	Required to read firmware version of LSI 9207 HBA. If not present then firmware version is reported as N/A.	
Mellanox Firmware Tools (MFT)	Used in View-WcsConfig, Get-WcsConfig	
	Required to read firmware version of Mellanox NIC. If not present then firmware version is reported as N/A.	
PsExec	Required for remote commands	
Programmable Update Utilities	Used in Update-WcsConfig. These utilities are used to update programmable components such as BIOS, BMC, and adapter firmware.	

16.1 Common Binaries

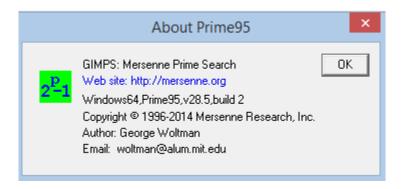
16.1.1 Prime95

The Prime95 application is used in the Run-Prime95 and Run-QuickStress commands. To integrate with the Toolkit download the version shown below from one of these sites:

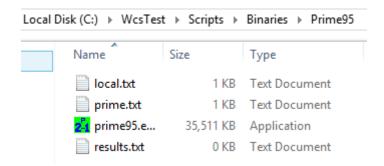
ftp://mersenne.org/gimps

http://www.mersenne.org/

The Toolkit has been tested with this version.



To integrate Prime95 copy prime95.exe, prime.txt, and local.txt to\WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\Prime95. In addition, create a blank file called results.txt. The below screen shot shows the directory after the files have been copied.



16.1.2 SmartCtl

The SmartCtl application is used in the Run-DiskSmartTest and Get-WcsConfig commands. To integrate with the Toolkit download from:

http://www.smartmontools.org/

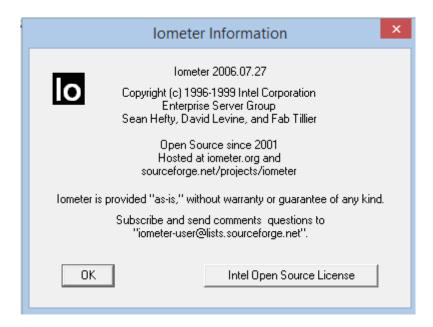
To integrate copy smartctl.exe to \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\Smart. Last version integrated and tested with the Toolkit was 6.1.

16.1.3 IOMeter

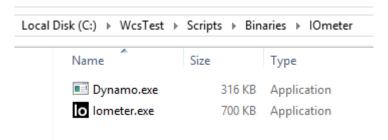
The IOmeter benchmark is used in the Run-IOmeter and Run-QuickStress commands and can be downloaded from this site:

http://www.iometer.org/

The Toolkit has been tested with this version.



To integrate IOmeter copy dynamo.exe and iometer.exe to \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\IOmeter. The below screen shot shows the directory after the files have been copied.



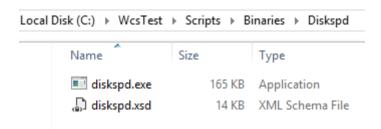
16.1.4 **DiskSpd**

The DiskSpd benchmark is used in the Run-DiskSpd and Run-QuickStress commands and can be downloaded from this site:

https://gallery.technet.microsoft.com/DiskSpd-a-robust-storage-6cd2f223

The Toolkit has been tested with version 2.0.12.

To integrate DiskSpd copy dskspd.exe and DiskSpd.xsd to \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\Diskspd. The below screen shot shows the directory after the files have been copied.



16.1.5 LSI

The LSI utilities allow LSI adpater information to be viewed and LSI firmware updated. They can be download LSI site:

www.lsi.com

Download the MegaCli64, StorCli64, and Sas2Flash utilities with the below versions or later from the LSI site:

```
C:\WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\LSI\>sas2flash.exe -ver
LSI Corporation SAS2 Flash Utility
Version 19.00.00.00 (2014.03.17)
Copyright (c) 2008-2014 LSI Corporation. All rights reserved
No LSI SAS adapters found! Limited Command Set Available!
SAS2Flash Version is: 19.00.00.00 (2014.03.17)
```

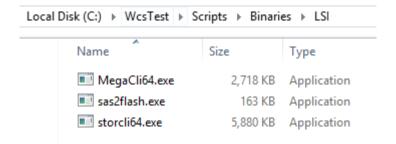
```
C:\WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\LSI>MegaCli64.exe -v

MegaCLI SAS RAID Management Tool Ver 8.06.04 February 19, 2013

(c)Copyright 2011, LSI Corporation, All Rights Reserved.
```

```
C:\WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\LSI>storcli64.exe -v
StorCli SAS Customization Utility Ver 1.09.13 June 09, 2014
(c)Copyright 2014, LSI Corporation, All Rights Reserved.
```

To integrate LSI utilities copy megacli64.exe, storcli64.exe, and sas2flash.exe to \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\LSI. The below screen shot shows the directory after the files have been copied.



16.1.6 Mellanox Firmware Tools (MFT)

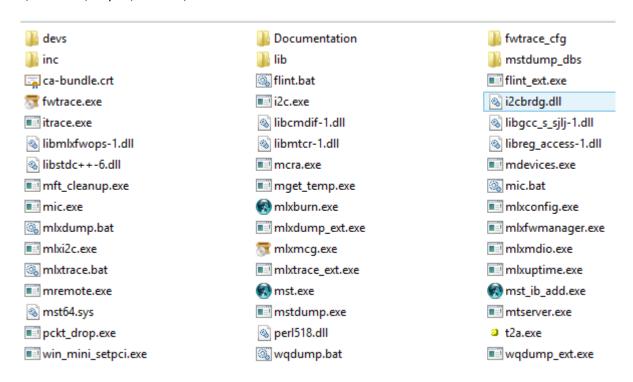
The Mellanox Firmware Tools (MFT) allow Mellanox NIC information to be viewed and NIC firmware updated. They can be download Mellanox site:

http://www.mellanox.com/

The last known direct link to the Mellanox Firmware Tools (MFT) download:

http://www.mellanox.com/page/firmware HCA FW Update

Install the MFT for 64 bit Windows on any 64bit Windows system then copy the files from the WinMFT install directory (C:\Program Files\Mellanox\WinMFT) to \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\Mellanox. The below screen shot shows the files in the WinMFT install directory for MFT version 3.7.1.3 that should be copied to \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\Mellanox.



16.1.7 Quanta

Copy any utilities for Quanta systems to the \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries\Quanta directory.

16.1.8 PsExec

The PsExec utility is required for the remote commands and can be downloaded from the Windows Sysinternal site:

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals

The last known direct link to the utility download page:

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/bb897553

The Toolkit has been verified with version 2.11 of PsExec. The PsExec version is displayed when run.

To integrate this utility into the Toolkit copy PsExec.exe to the \WcsTest\Scripts\Binaries directory.

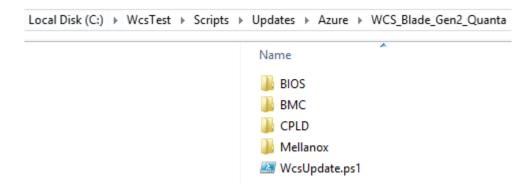
16.2 Update Binaries

Every system has a collection of update utilities. Copy these utilities to the directories under \WcsTest\Scripts\Updates. The directory hieararchy for the updates is:

\WcsTest\Scripts\Updates\<Recipe>\<SystemType>\<ComponentDirectories>

Where Recipe is Exchange, Azure, BingOnline, or BingOffline, SystemType is the system type such as WCS_Blade_Gen2_Quanta or WCS_Blade_Gen2_WiWynn, and ComponentDirectories is BIOS, BMC, etc.

In each SystemType directory there is a WcsUpdate.ps1 script that calls individual WcsUpdate.ps1 scripts in the child directories. Each programmable component (ie: BIOS, BMC, etc) has its own child directory. The screen shot shows a typical directory with child directories containing updates for BIOS, BMC, and CPLD.



If the system type is a new system type the following additional actions are required:

- Update \WcsTest\Scripts\Library\SystemLookup.ps1 with the new system type.
- Add a system script to \WcsTest\Scripts\DefinedSystems. The name of this file must match the system type name defined in SystemLookup.

Once the system has been added to the Toolkit update files can be created under a given recipe. For example, if the new system type is 'WCS_BLADE_GEN2_MYNAME' the update scripts for the Azure recipe would exist in \WcsTest\Scripts\Updates\Azure\WCS_BLADE_GEN2_MYNAME.

17 Appendix: Compatibility Requirements

Compatibility requirements are now covered in the Toolkit Compatibility Requirements Specification.