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Gathering AD Data with the Active Directory PowerShell Module

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Microsoft provided several Active Directory PowerShell cmdlets with Windows Server 2008 R2 (and newer) which greatly simplify tasks which previously required putting together lengthy lines of code involving ADSI.

On a Windows client, install the Remote Server Administration Tools (RSAT) (<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=45520>) and ensure the Active Directory PowerShell module is installed.

On a Windows server (2008 R2 or newer), run the following commands in a PowerShell console (as an Administrator):

Import-Module ServerManager ; Add-WindowsFeature RSAT-AD-PowerShell

Here's my (poor) ADSI example:

```
$UserID = "JoeUser"
$root = [ADSI]''
$searcher = new-object System.DirectoryServices.DirectorySearcher($root)
$searcher.filter = "(&(objectClass=user)(sAMAccountName= $UserID))"
$user = $searcher.findall()
$user
```

Here's the same thing with the AD PowerShell cmdlet:

```
Import-module ActiveDirectory
$UserID = "JoeUser"
Get-ADUser $UserID -property *
```

Note that with PowerShell version 3 and newer, you don't need to run the first line since Powershell will identify the necessary module and auto load it.

Once you have the Active Directory PowerShell module loaded, you can do cool stuff like browse AD like a file system

```
PS C:\Users\LukeSkywalker> import-module activedirectory
PS C:\Users\LukeSkywalker> dir ad:
```

Name	ObjectClass	DistinguishedName
lab	domainDNS	DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Configuration	configuration	CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Schema	dMD	CN=Schema,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DomainDnsZones	domainDNS	DC=DomainDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
ForestDnsZones	domainDNS	DC=ForestDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org

```
PS C:\Users\LukeSkywalker> set-location ad:
PS AD:\> set-location "dc=lab,dc=adsecurity,dc=org"
PS AD:\dc=lab,dc=adsecurity,dc=org> dir
```

Name	ObjectClass	DistinguishedName
Admin Groups	organizationalUnit	OU=Admin Groups,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Builtin	builtinDomain	CN=Builtin,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Computers	container	CN=Computers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
CorpOU	organizationalUnit	OU=CorpOU,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Domain Controllers	organizationalUnit	OU=Domain Controllers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Domain Management	organizationalUnit	OU=Domain Management,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
ForeignSecurityPr...	container	CN=ForeignSecurityPrincipals,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Infrastructure	infrastructureUpdate	CN=Infrastructure,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
LostAndFound	lostAndFound	CN=LostAndFound,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Managed Service A...	container	CN=Managed Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Program Data	container	CN=NTDS Quotas,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Service Accounts	organizationalUnit	OU=Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
System	container	CN=System,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Users	container	CN=TPM Devices,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org

```
PS AD:\dc=lab,dc=adsecurity,dc=org>
```

Finding Useful Commands (Cmdlets):

Discover available PowerShell modules: **Get-Module -ListAvailable**

Discover cmdlets in a PowerShell module: **Get-Command -module ActiveDirectory**

PowerShell AD Module Cmdlets:

- Windows Server 2008 R2: 76 cmdlets
- Windows Server 2012: 135 cmdlets
- Windows Server 2012 R2: 147 cmdlets
- Windows Server 2016: 147 cmdlets

```
(Get-Command -module ActiveDirectory).count
```

Finding Active Directory Flexible Master Single Operation (FSMO) Roles:

Active Directory Module:

- (Get-ADForest).SchemaMaster
- (Get-ADForest).DomainNamingMaster

- `(Get-ADDomain).InfrastructureMaster`

- `(Get-ADDomain).PDCEmulator`

- `(Get-ADDomain).RIDMaster`

.NET Calls:

- `([System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Forest]::GetCurrentForest()).SchemaRoleOwner`

- `([System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Forest]::GetCurrentForest()).NamingRoleOwner`

- `([System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Domain]::GetCurrentDomain()).InfrastructureRoleOwner`

- `([System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Domain]::GetCurrentDomain()).PdcRoleOwner`

- `([System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Domain]::GetCurrentDomain()).RidRoleOwner`

Active Directory PowerShell Module Cmdlet Examples:

Get-RootDSE gets information about the LDAP server (the Domain Controller) and displays it. There's some interesting information in the results like what OS the DC is running.

```

PS C:\Windows\system32> get-adrootdse

configurationNamingContext : CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
currentTime                : 1/18/2015 9:07:52 PM
defaultNamingContext       : DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
dnsHostName                : ADSDC05.lab.adsecurity.org
domainControllerFunctionality : Windows2012R2
domainFunctionality        : Windows2003Domain
dsServiceName              : CN=NTDS Settings,CN=ADSDC05,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
forestFunctionality         : Windows2003Forest
highestCommittedUSN        : 110986
isGlobalCatalogReady      : {TRUE}
isSynchronized             : {TRUE}
ldapServiceName            : lab.adsecurity.org:adsdc05$@LAB.ADSECURITY.ORG
namingContexts             : {DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org, CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org,
                             CN=Schema,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org,
                             DC=DomainDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org...}
rootDomainNamingContext    : DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
schemaNamingContext        : CN=Schema,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
serverName                 : CN=ADSDC05,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
subschemaSubentry          : CN=Aggregate,CN=Schema,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
supportedCapabilities       : {1.2.840.113556.1.4.800 (LDAP_CAP_ACTIVE_DIRECTORY_OID), 1.2.840.113556.1.4.1670
                             (LDAP_CAP_ACTIVE_DIRECTORY_V51_OID), 1.2.840.113556.1.4.1791
                             (LDAP_CAP_ACTIVE_DIRECTORY_LDAP_INTEG_OID), 1.2.840.113556.1.4.1935
                             (LDAP_CAP_ACTIVE_DIRECTORY_V61_OID)...}
supportedControl            : {1.2.840.113556.1.4.319 (LDAP_PAGED_RESULT_OID_STRING), 1.2.840.113556.1.4.801
                             (LDAP_SERVER_SD_FLAGS_OID), 1.2.840.113556.1.4.473 (LDAP_SERVER_SORT_OID), 1.2.840.113556.1.4.528
                             (LDAP_SERVER_NOTIFICATION_OID)...}
supportedLDAPPolicies       : {MaxPoolThreads, MaxPercentDirSyncRequests, MaxDatagramRecv, MaxReceiveBuffer...}
supportedLDAPVersion        : {3, 2}
supportedSASLMechanisms    : {GSSAPI, GSS-SPNEGO, EXTERNAL, DIGEST-MD5}

```

Get-ADForest provides information about the Active Directory forest the computer you run the command is in.


```
PS C:\Windows\system32> get-adforest
```

```
ApplicationPartitions : {DC=DomainDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org, DC=ForestDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org}  
CrossForestReferences : {}  
DomainNamingMaster   : ADSDC01.lab.adsecurity.org  
Domains               : {lab.adsecurity.org}  
ForestMode            : Windows2003Forest  
GlobalCatalogs       : {ADSDC01.lab.adsecurity.org, ADSDC02.lab.adsecurity.org, ADSDC04.lab.adsecurity.org,  
                        ADSDC05.lab.adsecurity.org}  
Name                  : lab.adsecurity.org  
PartitionsContainer   : CN=Partitions,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org  
RootDomain            : lab.adsecurity.org  
SchemaMaster          : ADSDC01.lab.adsecurity.org  
Sites                 : {Default-First-Site-Name}  
SPNSuffixes           : {}  
UPNSuffixes           : {}
```

Get-ADDomain provides information about the current domain you are in.

```

PS C:\Windows\system32> Get-ADDomain

AllowedDNSSuffixes      : {}
ChildDomains            : {}
ComputersContainer      : CN=Computers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DeletedObjectsContainer : CN=Deleted Objects,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DistinguishedName       : DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DNSRoot                 : lab.adsecurity.org
DomainControllersContainer : OU=Domain Controllers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DomainMode              : Windows2003Domain
DomainSID                : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127
ForeignSecurityPrincipalsContainer : CN=ForeignSecurityPrincipals,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Forest                  : lab.adsecurity.org
InfrastructureMaster     : ADSDC01.lab.adsecurity.org
LastLogonReplicationInterval :
LinkedGroupPolicyObjects : {cn={ABDBA081-F312-4F2A-9F95-143800450B88},cn=policies,cn=system,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org,
                          cn={19DB3FB7-0098-4F85-8E24-B03050C686DE},cn=policies,cn=system,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org,
                          CN={31B2F340-016D-11D2-945F-00C04FB984F9},CN=Policies,CN=System,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org}
LostAndFoundContainer   : CN=LostAndFound,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
ManagedBy              :
Name                    : lab
NetBIOSName             : ADSECLAB
ObjectClass              : domainDNS
ObjectGUID              : f6d46828-b721-463d-9696-3b3714e2676a
ParentDomain            :
PDCEmulator             : ADSDC01.lab.adsecurity.org
QuotasContainer         : CN=NTDS Quotas,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
ReadOnlyReplicaDirectoryServers : {}
ReplicaDirectoryServers : {ADSDC01.lab.adsecurity.org, ADSDC02.lab.adsecurity.org, ADSDC04.lab.adsecurity.org,
                          ADSDC05.lab.adsecurity.org}
RIDMaster               : ADSDC02.lab.adsecurity.org
SubordinateReferences   : {DC=ForestDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org, DC=DomainDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org,
                          CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org}
SystemsContainer        : CN=System,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
UsersContainer          : CN=Users,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org

```

Get-ADDomainController provides computer information specific to Domain Controllers.

This cmdlet makes it easy to find all DCs in a specific site or running an OS version.

```

PS C:\Windows\system32> Get-ADDomainController

ComputerObjectDN      : CN=ADSDC05,OU=Domain Controllers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DefaultPartition      : DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Domain                : lab.adsecurity.org
Enabled               : True
Forest                : lab.adsecurity.org
HostName              : ADSDC05.lab.adsecurity.org
InvocationId          : 2df64259-f56d-4e61-acde-3b67548a0977
IPv4Address           : 172.16.11.15
IPv6Address           :
IsGlobalCatalog       : True
IsReadOnly            : False
LdapPort              : 389
Name                  : ADSDC05
NTDSSettingsObjectDN  : CN=NTDS Settings,CN=ADSDC05,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
OperatingSystem       : Windows Server 2012 R2 Datacenter
OperatingSystemHotfix :
OperatingSystemServicePack :
OperatingSystemVersion : 6.3 (9600)
OperationMasterRoles  : {}
Partitions            : {DC=ForestDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org, DC=DomainDnsZones,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org, CN=Schema,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org, CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org...}
ServerObjectDN        : CN=ADSDC05,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
ServerObjectGuid       : d68af971-b5af-4a32-9531-7f61f95e15cf
Site                  : Default-First-Site-Name
SslPort               : 636

```

Get-ADComputer provides most of what you would want to know about a computer object in AD.

Run with “-Prop **” to show all standard properties.

```

PS C:\Windows\system32> get-adcomputer adsdco5

DistinguishedName : CN=ADSDC05,OU=Domain Controllers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DNSHostName       : ADSDC05.lab.adsecurity.org
Enabled           : True
Name              : ADSDC05
ObjectClass       : computer
ObjectGUID        : 72b0c16d-a1b6-4f31-bd36-901744a699ec
SamAccountName    : ADSDC05$
SID               : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1602
UserPrincipalName :

```

Get-ADUser provides most of what you want to know about an AD user.

Run with “-Prop **” to show all standard properties.


```
PS C:\Windows\system32> get-aduser "hansolo"

DistinguishedName : CN=Han Solo,CN=Users,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Enabled           : True
GivenName        : Han
Name             : Han Solo
ObjectClass      : user
ObjectGUID       : 8239fdc4-f82a-4346-a6bb-fac16b4b7bbf
SamAccountName   : HanSolo
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1107
Surname          : Solo
UserPrincipalName : HanSolo@lab.adsecurity.org
```

Get-ADGroup provides information about an AD group. Find all security groups by running:

Get-ADGroup -Filter {GroupCategory -eq 'Security'}

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> get-adgroup "Administrators"

DistinguishedName : CN=Administrators,CN=Builtin,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
GroupCategory     : Security
GroupScope        : DomainLocal
Name              : Administrators
ObjectClass       : group
ObjectGUID        : db5e60b4-9e61-4712-a518-ce7d06a9db24
SamAccountName    : Administrators
SID               : S-1-5-32-544
```

Get-ADGroupMember enumerates and returns the group members. Use the Recursive parameter to include all members of nested groups.

Get-ADGroupMember 'Administrators' -Recursive


```
PS C:\Windows\system32> get-adgroupmember "Administrators"

distinguishedName : CN=svc-SQLReporting,OU=Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
name              : svc-SQLReporting
objectClass       : user
objectGUID        : d85ccfa7-bec2-43a8-bf3e-cbf7760b90bc
SamAccountName    : svc-SQLReporting
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1609

distinguishedName : CN=admin,OU=Domain Management,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
name              : admin
objectClass       : user
objectGUID        : f608ef24-72b8-4013-9dda-03008d6fd56a
SamAccountName    : admin
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1000

distinguishedName : CN=Domain Admins,CN=Users,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
name              : Domain Admins
objectClass       : group
objectGUID        : 66bbe7dd-1a23-4df1-9904-4ea276cdf303
SamAccountName    : Domain Admins
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-512

distinguishedName : CN=Enterprise Admins,CN=Users,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
name              : Enterprise Admins
objectClass       : group
objectGUID        : 833a5827-5d7c-44a7-b5a6-b1b5f6f1d4b1
SamAccountName    : Enterprise Admins
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-519

distinguishedName : CN=Administrator,OU=Domain Management,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
name              : Administrator
objectClass       : user
objectGUID        : bc70c1fd-9513-40d9-9e29-264cface3fcf
SamAccountName    : Administrator
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-500
```

These cmdlets are useful to identify situations that previously required purchasing a product or custom scripting.

The following examples find inactive (stale) computers and users – accounts that haven't changed their passwords in the last 10 days. Note that this is a lab example. For real-world checks, change this to 60 to 90 days for computers and 180 – 365 days for users.

Find inactive computers.

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> $InactiveDate = (get-date).AddDays(-10)
Get-ADComputer -filter {(LastLogonDate -le $InactiveDate) -AND (PasswordLastSet -le $InactiveDate)} -property Name,IPv4Address,
LastLogonDate,PasswordLastSet,Description,Created,DNSHostName
```

```
Created           : 12/7/2014 12:13:35 PM
Description       :
DistinguishedName : CN=ADSWKWIN8,CN=Computers,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
DNSHostName       : ADSWkwin8.lab.adsecurity.org
Enabled           : True
IPv4Address        : 172.16.11.202
LastLogonDate     : 1/6/2015 2:31:23 PM
Name              : ADSWKWIN8
ObjectClass       : computer
ObjectGUID        : ff423c3c-842c-41a2-ba02-0d035364a249
PasswordLastSet   : 1/7/2015 10:58:35 AM
SamAccountName    : ADSWKWIN8$
SID               : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1109
UserPrincipalName :
```

Find inactive users.

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> $InactiveDate = (get-date).AddDays(-15)
Get-ADUser -filter {(LastLogonDate -le $InactiveDate) -AND (PasswordLastSet -le $InactiveDate)} -property SAMAccountName,DisplayName,
LastLogonDate,PasswordLastSet,Description,Created,UserPrincipalName

Created           : 12/28/2014 7:15:49 PM
Description       :
DisplayName       : svc-SQLAgent01
DistinguishedName : CN=svc-SQLAgent01,OU=Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Enabled          : True
GivenName        :
LastLogonDate     : 12/28/2014 7:18:02 PM
Name             : svc-SQLAgent01
ObjectClass       : user
ObjectGUID        : eba3c611-6ea6-46bc-b68c-c8f28685e7f5
PasswordLastSet   : 1/3/2015 1:42:01 PM
SamAccountName    : svc-SQLAgent01
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1606
Surname          :
UserPrincipalName : svc-SQLAgent01@lab.adsecurity.org

Created           : 12/28/2014 7:16:23 PM
Description       :
DisplayName       : svc-SQLDBEngine01
DistinguishedName : CN=svc-SQLDBEngine01,OU=Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Enabled          : True
GivenName        :
LastLogonDate     : 12/28/2014 7:18:02 PM
Name             : svc-SQLDBEngine01
ObjectClass       : user
ObjectGUID        : 9f05af08-4f2c-4e95-8064-ad7a690ee495
PasswordLastSet   : 1/3/2015 1:43:26 PM
SamAccountName    : svc-SQLDBEngine01
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1607
Surname          :
UserPrincipalName : svc-SQLDBEngine01@lab.adsecurity.org
```

Enumerate Domain Trusts

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> $DomainDNS = [System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Domain]::GetCurrentDomain().Name
[array]$ADDomainTrusts = Get-ADObject -Filter {ObjectClass -eq "trustedDomain"} -Properties *
[int]$ADDomainTrustsCount = $ADDomainTrusts.Count

Write-Output "Discovered $ADDomainTrustsCount Trust(s) in $DomainDNS `r"
$ADDomainTrusts | select Name,Created,flatName,instanceType,trustAttributes,trustDirection,securityIdentifier | format-table -auto
Discovered 1 Trust(s) in lab.adsecurity.org

Name           Created           flatName instanceType trustAttributes trustDirection securityIdentifier
----           -
rd.adsecurity.org 1/11/2015 5:09:45 PM ADSECRD         4              8              2 S-1-5-21-3834807805-851291830-904607491
```


Get AD site information.

Note that the Windows 2012 module includes cmdlet for sites (Get-ADReplicationSite (https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/hh852269(v=wps.630).aspx)*).

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> $AD Sites = [System.DirectoryServices.ActiveDirectory.Forest]::GetCurrentForest().Sites
[int]$AD SitesCount = $AD Sites.Count
Write-Output "There are $AD SitesCount AD Sites `r"

$AD Sites | select-object Name,Domains,Subnets,AdjacentSites,SiteLinks | format-table -AutoSize
```

There are 1 AD Sites

Name	Domains	Subnets	AdjacentSites	SiteLinks
Default-First-Site-Name	{lab.adsecurity.org}	{}	{}	{DEFAULTIPSITELINK}

Backup domain GPOs

Note this requires that the Group Policy PowerShell module is installed, which is separate from the Active Directory module.

```
PS C:\Users\Administrator.ADSECMLAB> Backup-GPO -All -Domain "mlab.adsecurity.org" -Path "C:\GPOBackup"
```

```

DisplayName      : Default Domain Policy
GpoId             : 31b2f340-016d-11d2-945f-00c04fb984f9
Id               : f64bc902-e7d0-45f5-a702-ac610cf04a4b
BackupDirectory  : C:\GPOBackup
CreationTime     : 1/27/2015 8:30:42 PM
DomainName       : mlab.adsecurity.org
Comment          :

DisplayName      : Default Domain Controllers Policy
GpoId            : 6ac1786c-016f-11d2-945f-00c04fb984f9
Id              : 33ddea3b-c539-4b2c-bfe5-2e080f47dea0
BackupDirectory  : C:\GPOBackup
CreationTime     : 1/27/2015 8:30:47 PM
DomainName       : mlab.adsecurity.org
Comment          :
```

Find AD Kerberos Service Accounts


```
PS C:\Windows\system32> Get-ADUser -filter {ServicePrincipalName -like "*"} -property serviceprincipalname

DistinguishedName : CN=krbtgt,CN=Users,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Enabled           : False
GivenName        :
Name             : krbtgt
ObjectClass      : user
ObjectGUID       : 6fd9529f-0805-4f3c-bb4d-29ad2ac377ef
SamAccountName   : krbtgt
serviceprincipalname : {kadmin/changepw}
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-502
Surname          :
UserPrincipalName :

DistinguishedName : CN=svc-SQLAgent01,OU=Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Enabled           : True
GivenName        :
Name             : svc-SQLAgent01
ObjectClass      : user
ObjectGUID       : eba3c611-6ea6-46bc-b68c-c8f28685e7f5
SamAccountName   : svc-SQLAgent01
serviceprincipalname : {MSSQLSvc/ADSAPPSQL03.lab.adsecurity.org:1433,
MSSQLSvc/ADSAPPSQL02.lab.adsecurity.org:1433,
MSSQLSvc/ADSAPPSQL01.lab.adsecurity.org:1433}
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1606
Surname          :
UserPrincipalName : svc-SQLAgent01@lab.adsecurity.org

DistinguishedName : CN=svc-MSSQLServer01,OU=Service Accounts,DC=lab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
Enabled           : True
GivenName        :
Name             : svc-MSSQLServer01
ObjectClass      : user
ObjectGUID       : 2260906f-6985-404b-b6ea-fbed5d573bff
SamAccountName   : svc-MSSQLServer01
serviceprincipalname : {MSSQLSvc/admswin2k8r2:1433, MSSQLSvc/admswin2k8r2.lab.adsecurity.org:1433}
SID              : S-1-5-21-1473643419-774954089-2222329127-1613
Surname          :
UserPrincipalName : svc-MSSQLServer01@lab.adsecurity.org
```

Inventory Domain Controllers

```
Get-ADDomainController -filter * | `select hostname,IPv4Address,IsGlobalCatalog,IsReadOnly,OperatingSystem |
`format-table -auto
```

hostname	IPv4Address	IsGlobalCatalog	IsReadOnly	OperatingSystem
adsm1abdc1.mlab.adsecurity.org	172.16.16.11	True	False	Windows Server 2008 R2 Datacenter
adsm1abdc5.mlab.adsecurity.org	172.16.16.12	True	False	Windows Server 2012 R2 Datacenter

Get-ADReplicationPartnerMetadata (Windows Server 2012 and newer)

```
Get-ADReplicationPartnerMetadata -Target "adsm1abdc1"
```

```
CompressChanges           : False
ConsecutiveReplicationFailures : 0
DisableScheduledSync      : False
IgnoreChangeNotifications  : False
IntersiteTransport        :
IntersiteTransportGuid     :
IntersiteTransportType     : IP
LastChangeUsn              : 13042
LastReplicationAttempt     : 1/27/2015 9:14:54 PM
LastReplicationResult      : 0
LastReplicationSuccess     : 1/27/2015 9:14:54 PM
Partition                  : DC=m1ab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
PartitionGuid              : e2e5fdb0-bd05-4c73-8ab8-c28d054a7a2b
Partner                    : CN=NTDS Settings,CN=ADSM1ABDC5,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=m1ab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
PartnerAddress              : 326cb425-1ae0-4e46-8a08-9b526cacfaeb._msdcs.m1ab.adsecurity.org
PartnerGuid                 : 326cb425-1ae0-4e46-8a08-9b526cacfaeb
PartnerInvocationId         : 86bafa17-f779-4233-9028-f3b688b56bef
PartnerType                 : Inbound
ScheduledSync               : True
Server                      : adsm1abdc1.m1ab.adsecurity.org
SyncOnStartup               : True
TwoWaySync                  : False
UsnFilter                   : 13042
Writable                    : True
```

Get-ADReplicationPartnerFailure provides information on DC replication failure status.

```
Get-ADReplicationFailure -Target "adsm1abdc1"
```

```
FailureCount      : 14
FailureType       : Connection
FirstFailureTime  : 1/27/2015 6:32:05 PM
LastError         : 8524
Partner           : CN=NTDS Settings,CN=ADSM1ABDC2,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=m1ab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
PartnerGuid       : 72a1a78e-c1b6-4d15-a066-c8e634220ab9
Server            : adsm1abdc1.m1ab.adsecurity.org
```

Get-ADReplicationUptodatenessVectorTable tracks replication status between Domain Controllers.


```

PS C:\Users\Administrator.ADSECLAB> Get-ADReplicationUpToDatenessVectorTable -Target "adsm1abdc1"

LastReplicationSuccess : 1/27/2015 9:14:54 PM
Partition               : DC=m1ab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
PartitionGuid           : e2e5fdb0-bd05-4c73-8ab8-c28d054a7a2b
Partner                 : CN=NTDS Settings,CN=ADSM1ABDC5,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=m1ab,DC=ad
                        security,DC=org
PartnerInvocationId     : 86bafa17-f779-4233-9028-f3b688b56bef
Server                  : adsm1abdc1.m1ab.adsecurity.org
UsnFilter                : 13042

LastReplicationSuccess : 1/27/2015 9:36:54 PM
Partition               : DC=m1ab,DC=adsecurity,DC=org
PartitionGuid           : e2e5fdb0-bd05-4c73-8ab8-c28d054a7a2b
Partner                 : CN=NTDS Settings,CN=ADSM1ABDC1,CN=Servers,CN=Default-First-Site-Name,CN=Sites,CN=Configuration,DC=m1ab,DC=ad
                        security,DC=org
PartnerInvocationId     : 74a62edd-53bc-45e0-9ed4-cae49998cc9f
Server                  : adsm1abdc1.m1ab.adsecurity.org
UsnFilter                : 21021

```

These examples and more are in these presentation slides:

<http://adsecurity.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/NoVaPowerShellUsersGroup2015-ActiveDirectoryPowerShell.pdf>
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 - Mitch Impey on August 11, 2017
 - # (<https://adsecurity.org/?p=3719#comment-13203>)


Hi Sean, I have benefited from your expertise for many years. Thanks very much !

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 - SS on August 11, 2017
 - # (<https://adsecurity.org/?p=3719#comment-13204>)

Is there a way to prevent authenticated folks who are not authorized from running these commands?

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 - Sean Metcalf (<https://ADSecurity.org>) on August 14, 2017
 - **Author** # (<https://adsecurity.org/?p=3719#comment-13215>)

Not built-in and working to get these blocked would be non-trivial. Not that this is the same type of data that authenticated users can gather via LDAP.

Check out the PowerShell module "PowerView":

<https://github.com/PowerShellMafia/PowerSploit/tree/master/Recon>
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Joonas on August 17, 2017

▪ # (<https://adsecurity.org/?p=3719#comment-13229>)

There is a way to prevent cmdlets or functions for PS remote session. Look at Securing Privileged Access document from Microsoft. From there look at Just enough admin and you find how to restrict PS usage

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