# Windows

Not just for houses

# Windows 1-10



#### Windows Server

Essentially a jacked up windows 8 box

- Still GUI based
- Still makes no sense
- No start menu :(
  - (Install classic shell)... trust me...



# Windows Server

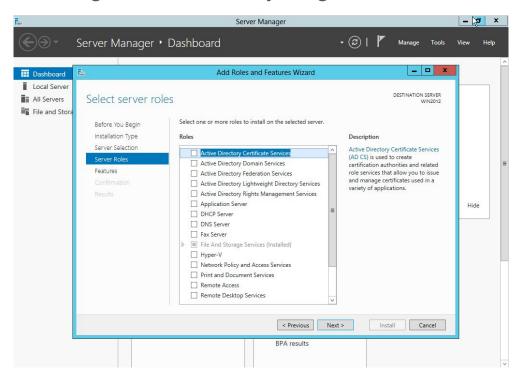
#### What can it do?

- Email
- File storage
- User privileges
- Authentication
- Website
- DNS
- Many more



#### Roles and Features

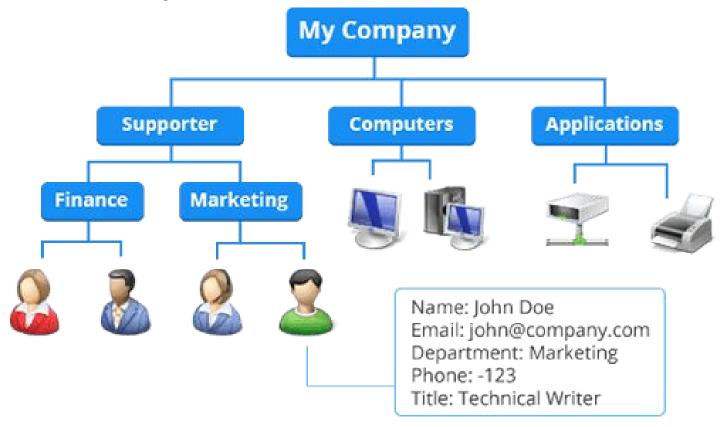
Building blocks for everything Windows server



# Common Roles and Features

- Active Directory
- Group Policy
- SMB Server
- FTP Server
- Exchange Server
- Firewall
- Application deployment
- Centralized monitoring
- VPN
- DNS
- IIS (web server)

# **Active Directory**

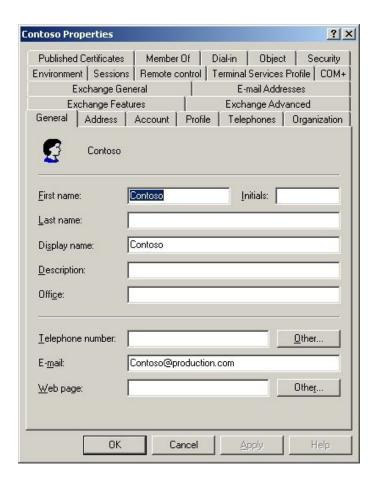


# **Active Directory**

- Database of objects in a network (Domain)
  - Users
  - Computers
  - Printers
  - more
- Stores objects in hierarchy
  - Called organizational units (OU)
  - Duplicate real world hierarchy of organization

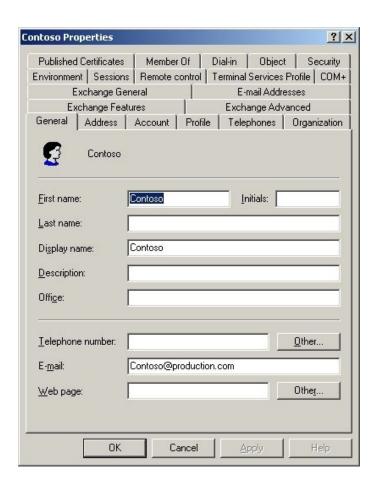
## Users

- Stores information on user
  - Name
  - Email
  - Phone number
  - Address
  - Location in organization
  - Password (hashed)



#### Users

- Controls permissions
  - File and folder access
  - VPN access
  - Password management
  - Active account
  - Access control
- Ability to control total network access
- Map drives to computer
- Folder redirection



# Mapped drives and folder redirection

#### Mapped Drives

- Useful with many network drives
- Useful when user is moving computers
- Easy and seamless transition

#### Folder Redirection

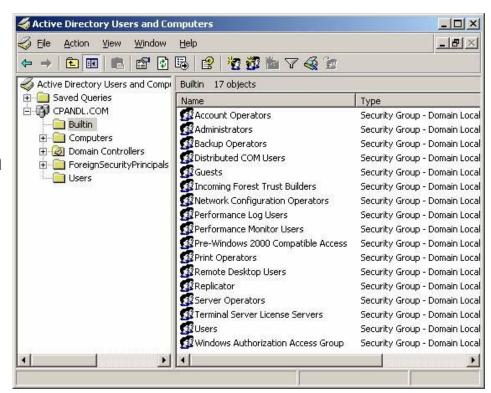
- Nothing is stored locally
- Documents, pictures, desktop redirected to server
- Backups
- Mobility

# Why this is bad

- Too many users to manage them all
  - UB has ~ 30,000 users
- Can leave security holes
  - Terminated employee
  - Other permission changes can affect
- Use groups instead

# Groups

- Objects can be put in groups
- Helps keep organized
- Can assign settings to groups
- Acts similarly to users configuration
- Manage every user at once



#### Active Directory Game Domain My Company Supporter Computers **Applications** Groups **Finance** Marketing Computers Network share Printer Name: John Doe Email: john@company.com Department: Marketing Users Phone: -123 Title: Technical Writer

# Groups in Groups?



# Nesting

- Can put groups in groups
- Starts to get complicated
- Need to lay out organization before building AD
- Leads to inheritance

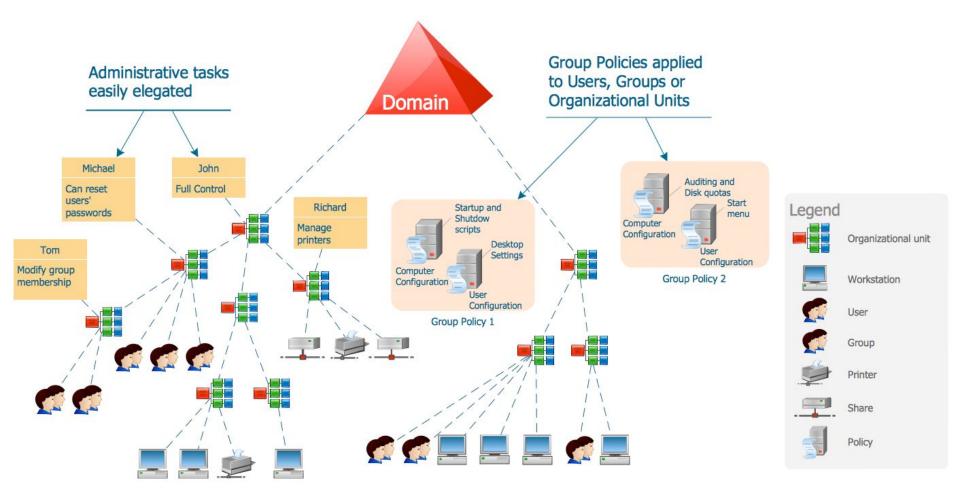


#### Inheritance

Think of trickle down theory..... But if it actually worked

- Sub groups inherit permissions from group above
- Users in a group, in a group, will get settings placed on top level group





# Confused yet?

- Domains control network
- OU's store information on things (objects)
- Groups contain objects
- Groups go in groups
- Windows is GUI (unless it's not) :(

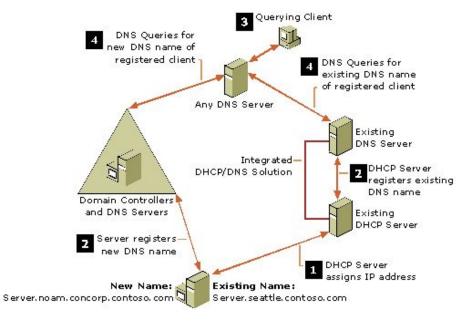
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Inspecting system...
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                       Server Configuration

    Domain/Workgroup:

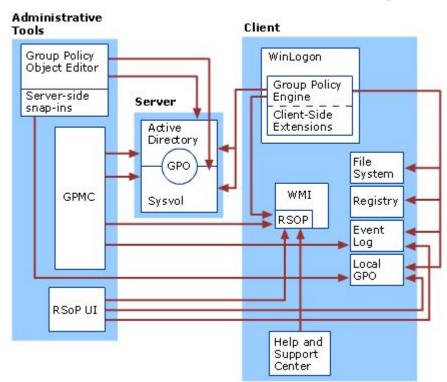
                                     Domain: fareast.corp.microsoft.com
2) Computer Name:
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3) Add Local Administrator
4) Configure Remote Management
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5) Windows Update Settings:
6) Download and Install Updates
7) Remote Desktop:
                                     Enabled (more secure clients only)
8) Network Settings
Date and Time
10) Log Off User
11) Restart Server
12) Shut Down Server
13) Exit to Command Line
Enter number to select an option: 4
  Configure Remote Management
1) Allow MMC Remote Management
Enable Windows PowerShell
3) Allow Server Manager Remote Management
4) Show Windows Firewall settings
Return to main menu
Enter selection:
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# **AD Tips**

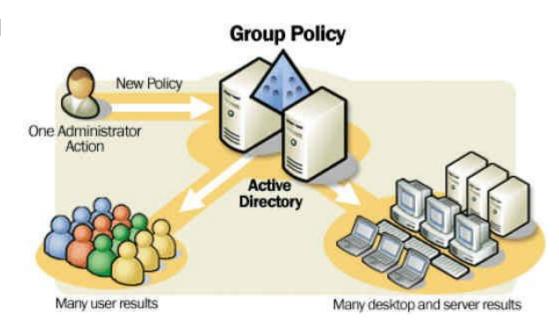
# DON'T LET DNS DIE



- Because this wasn't complicated enough already

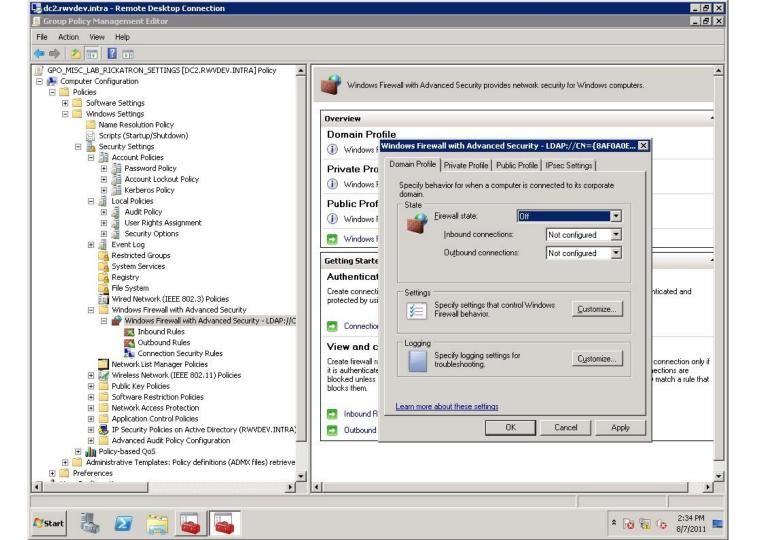


- Centralized management tool for windows networks
- Can control machine level setting
- Works with Active Directory



- Can be used to force any setting on objects in AD
- Login scripts
- Mapped network drives
- Sleep settings
- Remote desktop access
- Password policy
- Set firewall policy
- Change background
- Change cursor
- Windows Update timing
- Pretty much anything you can think of



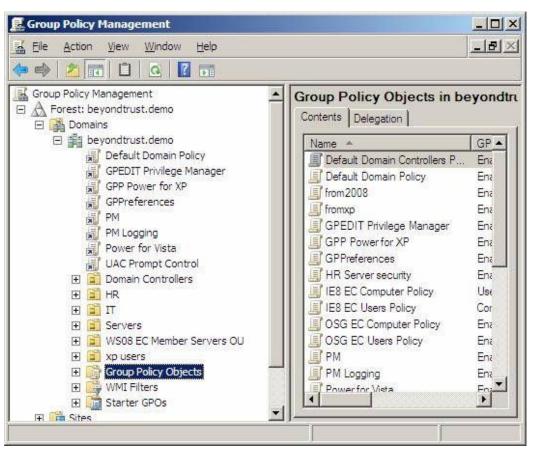


#### Key terms:

- Enforced
  - Can not be overwritten by other policy
- Linked
  - Link policy to specific OU
- Filtering
  - Can choose to apply Group policy to computers that meet criteria
  - < 4GB RAM
- Group Policy Object
  - A set of rules that can be applied to a network object

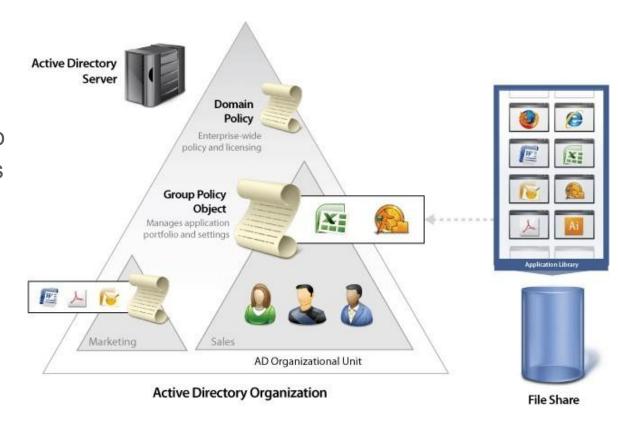
# Multiple Group Policies

- Can have many sets of policies
- Helps keep network organized
- Different rules for each department or group



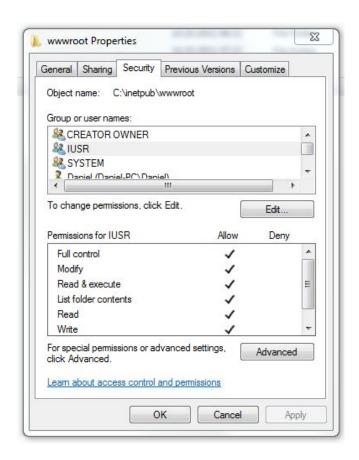
# Active directory and Group Policy

- Some the the most powerful tools for an admin
- Can be used together to control 90% of functions
- Organization is key

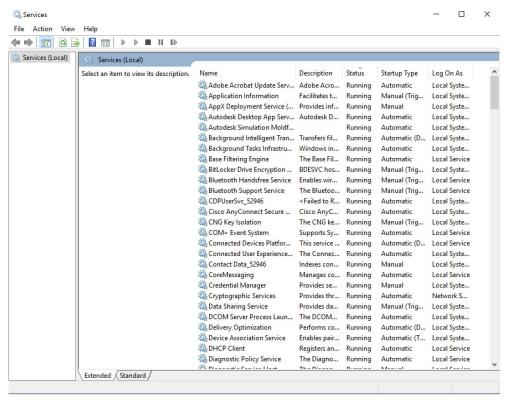


#### File Permissions

- Can be set on individual files, folders, network shares, hard drives
- Can specify who has read, write, or modify permissions
- File permissions can be inherited from containing folder
- Ex) Can share whole folder instead of every file
- Can be set using group policy and Active Directory

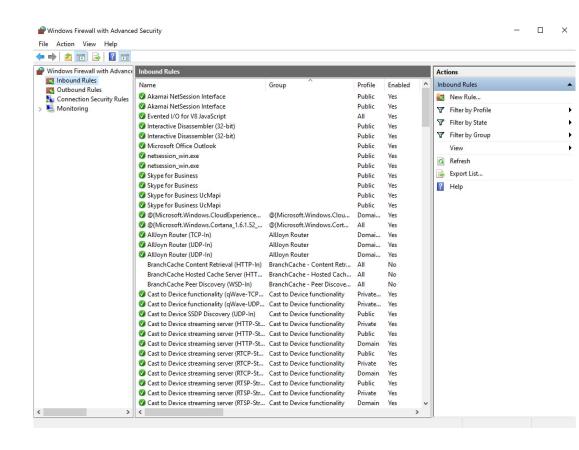


# Windows Services (not roles and features)



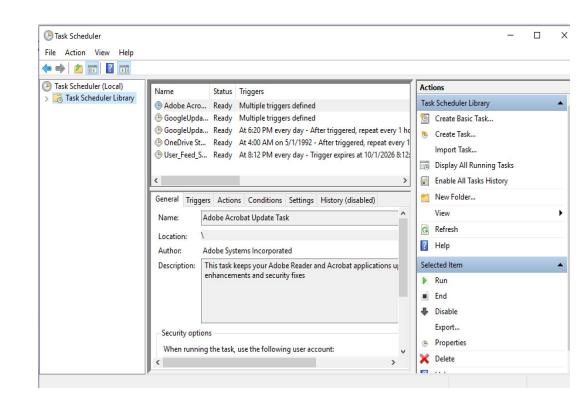
## Windows Firewalls

- Does not act like Linux
- Order does not matter
- Can block specific EXE's, ports, or services
- Can specify which network to block on
  - Domain
  - Public
  - Private



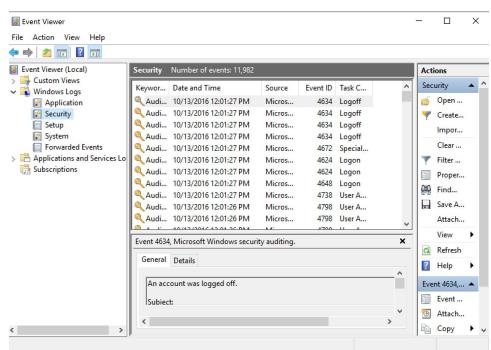
#### Task Scheduler

- Can be used to automate things
- Run at time intervals
- Run at specific events
- Run at startup
- Watch out for bad things,
   but use this for good things
- Use at work for backups



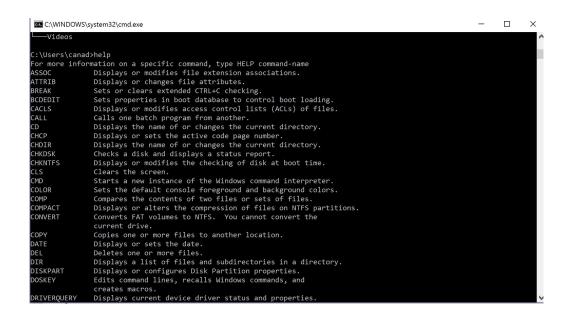
#### **Event Viewer**

- Monitors all system and application events
- Can be overwhelming
- Useful for troubleshooting
- Useful for looking for bad guys
- Centralized logging
  - Can send all logs to one server, aggregate data for analysis



#### Command line

- Basic windows commands
  - Ipconfig (Not Ifconfig!!!!)
  - Ping
  - Nslookup
  - Cd
  - Tracert
  - Tree
  - help



#### Powershell

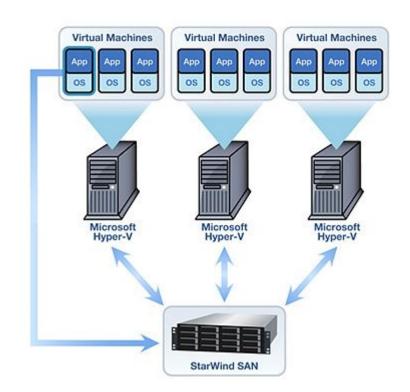
- Can do anything using powershell that you can do using GUI
- Just need to find the right commands
- Can create user and add them to group

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Install-User -Username "User" -Description "LocalAdmin" -FullName "Local Admin by Powershell" -Password "Password01" Add-GroupMember -Name 'Administrators' -Member 'User'
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Google is your friend

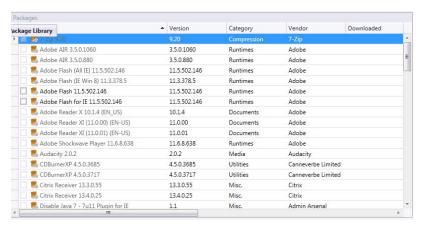
## Virtualization

- Hyper-V is windows hypervisor
- Useful for segmentation of services
- Backup DC- probably don't want to virtualize



#### Windows Admin Tools

- View open folders and files
  - Can be useful for troubleshooting a locked file
  - Can be useful for keeping attackers out
- Storage spaces
  - Software raid
- WSUS
  - Centralized windows updates
- Application deployment
  - PDQ deploy
  - Uses powershell to push out applications
- Process explorer
  - Dive deeper into whats running



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