

Power Shell

It is task-based Command line & Scripting language. It is designed specially for system administrator & power-user to rapidly automate administration of multiple operating systems.

It is based on .NET framework. It supports cross-platform option.

3 ways through which PowerShell can be launched:-

- Command Prompt
- PowerShell Console Host
- PowerShell ISE

Cmdlet! - (Commandlet) :-

It is a command-line script that performs a specific function.

It is lightweight Windows PowerShell script that performs a single function.

Windows PowerShell uses "verb-noun" naming system for naming cmdlets, where each cmdlet name consists of standard 'verb' hyphenated with specific noun.

'verb' identifies action that the cmdlet performs

'noun' identifies the entity on which action is performed.

i) retrieve information about the version for windows PowerShell

→ Get-Host

↓ ↓

verb noun.

ii) used to retrieve all commands that are registered in PowerShell.

→ ~~Get-command, Get-alias, Get-Variable, Get-Module~~.

→ Get-Command for giving command types, name, module name info. giving.

3) with the help of -Name Parameter You can Search Specific Cmdlet also.

→ Get-Command -Name Get-Host

If you want to search only verb or noun Parameter Cmdlets then you can,

→ Get-Command -Verb Get → for showing all 'Get' Cmdlets

→ Get-Command -Noun Host → for showing all 'Host' Cmdlets

v) To retrieve all info. such as syntax, function, alias, example and properties about specific Cmdlet.

→ Get-Help

→ Get-Help <Cmdlet-Name> → for help of Particular Cmdlet.

→ Get-Help <Cmdlet-Name> -online → To get online help.

→ Get-Help * → for all list of available help topics.

(Name, Category, module, Syntax)

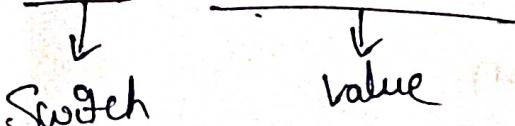
→ Get-Help Get-Host → for Particular Cmdlet help.

Powershell Parameters! -

Every Cmdlet associated with one or more Parameters

allows to Perform Certain action, hence retrieving defined info. Every Cmdlet Contains Switch & value as shown.

Get-Help -Name Get-Command



This PowerShell has three Parameters:

1) optional Parameter

2) mandatory "

3) Positional "

1) The Cmdlet with optional Parameter having its Switch
Can be executed without specifying square brackets.

→ Get-Help -Name Get-Command

→ Get-Help (Get-Command) → here without specifying
(-name) switch it can be executed.

But 'verb & noun' its mandatory to specify.

2) Parameter with no outer square brackets around Parameter
(Switch & value) indicates its mandatory Parameter.
It is Cmdlet Parameter can't be executed without
specifying value to Parameter. These Parameters also
have optional Switches.

→ Get-Eventlog -logName Application

mandatory Parameter ↓
value is mandatory

→ Get-Eventlog Application

3) A positional Parameter requires that you type of the
arguments in relative order.

→ Copy-Item -LiteralPath D:\file1.txt -Destination D:\file2.txt.

if you are not specifying [-LiteralPath & Destination]

Parameters then by default its taking source &
destination.

→ Copy-Item file1.txt -literalPath file2.txt
dest. (file2) will be replaced by file1.txt
possible that we left to add file1.txt

Alias:- ~~It's a command that can be created for any windows PowerShell cmdlet. PowerShell also has predefined built-in alias for certain cmdlets.~~

The following cmdlets are used to work with alias,

1) Get-Alias

2) New-Alias

3) Set-Alias

4) Remove-Item

1) It can also return aliases depending all the aliases.

→ Get-Alias → for Alias cmdlets display

→ Get-Alias -Name w* } Alias shows whatever w*
w } names there in front & back

→ Get-Alias -Definition Get-Command → Definition
Parameter is used to retrieve alias for
Particular cmdlet.

2) Cannot be used to re-assign an existing alias to another
cmdlet.

→ New-Alias -Name Command | Get-Command → for
Creating new alias | or Get-Command | cmdlet
Give any name

→ Get-Alias -Definition Get-Command → for showing
alias for particular cmdlet.

3) Re-Assign an existing alias to a different cmdlet unlike
new-alias.

→ Set-Alias -Name Command | Get-Host → by using Set-
alias we can assign to another cmdlet. but
inbuilt alias we can't assign.

- 8 Get-Alias - Definition Get-Host → for checking alias
 to particular cmdlet.
- Set-Alias - Name Host Get-Host → Alias Creating &
 Give name assign to particular cmdlet.

PowerShell Variables:-

Variables are objects that can store data. In PowerShell
 variable name starts with '\$' character
 Variable can be given any name. It can contain a mix of
letter, numbers, symbols or even Space.
 we can assign a value to variable using the Assignment-
 ment(=) operator.

→ \$myname = "Value" → storing variable

↓
 \$myname → calling variable

↓
 Answer → Answer

→ \${"hellow come"} = "DevOps" → storing variable

↓
 \${"hellow come"} → calling variable

↓
 DevOps → Answer

for variable type know:-

→ \$myname.GetType()

↓
 string

→ \${"hellow come"}.GetType()

↓
 string

→ what Properties & methods are available for the variable by using 'Get-Member' Cmdlet.

↳ \$welcome | Get-Member (or) \$Myname | Get-Member

→ we can use one cmdlet output to another variable also,

↳ \$Command = Get-Command



\$Command → All 'Get-Command' output

Show here with help

of variable

↳ "Hello \$welcome"



Hello word → Answer

Variable Type Coding! - 1) user defined variable.

↳ \$a=10 → type = Int32

↳ \$b=20.11 → type = Double

↳ \$c="30" → type = String

↳ \$a+\$b = 30.11 (Int32+Double)

↳ \$a+\$c = 40 (Int32+String)

↳ \$a.GetType() → Int32

↳ \$b.GetType() → Double

↳ \$c.GetType() → String

↳ [int]\$d="40"

↳ \$d.GetType() → Int32

PowerShell Processes the operators in following Precedence

order. ↗ negative no.

(), -, *, /, %, " for -"

2) Automatic variable:-

- ↳ \$Home → Contains full path of home directory
- ↳ \$PSHome → Full path of installation directory for windows PowerShell.
- ↳ \$PSVersionTable → display about version of PowerShell.
- ↳ \$false → Contains false } Instead of using strings (true & false)
↳ \$true → Contains true } you can use these variables in script.
- ↳ \$null → Contains null or empty value.

3. environment variable:-

- ↳ these variable have a name & value.
- ↳ these variable describe the environment in which the program run.

Types:-

↳ user environment variable:- They are specific to your user account & store user specific data.

↳ system environment variable:- They are global & cannot be changed by any user. Their values are same for all user accounts.

↳ environment variable:- These are used to change the behaviour of application.

↳ system environment variable:- These are used to change the behaviour of operating system.

↳ user environment variable:- These are used to change the behaviour of user.

Read-Write Cmdlet!:-

* Reading Input from the User & Displaying output in Console.

→ \$name = Read-Host "Please enter name"

Reading as variable.

Please enter name: valu

→ \$password = Read-Host "Please enter Password" -AsSecureString

Please enter Password: *****

→ Write-Host "My name is \$name"

My name is valu.

Powershell Scripts!:-

A Powershell Script is a plain text file that contains one or more window Powershell Cmdlets. The extension of Powershell Script is .PS1.

In Powershell we have four different types of execution policies.

1) Restricted (default)!:- Prevents any script from being run.

2) AllSigned!:- Script will run only if they have been signed by trusted Publisher.

3) RemoteSigned!:- Scripts created locally will run, but those downloaded from Internet will not run unless they are digitally signed by trusted Publisher.

4) unrestricted!:- All Scripts will run.

- checking current execution policy.
- ↳ Get-ExecutionPolicy
 - ↓
 - Restricted (B) RemoteSigned
- To change execution Policy.
- ↳ Set-ExecutionPolicy Unrestricted
 - ↓
 - Execution Policy changed, then you can run all PowerShell Script.

Variable Scope:-

In PowerShell the scope of variable refers to current environment in which they are used. PowerShell scopes have a parent-child relationship. Scope of variable is decided based on the place of its declaration.

The following scope types:-

- 1) Global (default scope).
- 2) Script
- 3) Private
- 4) numbered

1) Global:-

variable scope with global can be accessed by all the objects within the current PowerShell session.

↳ \$var = "Global"

↓

\$var

↓

Global

2) Script :- Can be accessed only within the Script, can't be accessed by the objects outside the Script.

↳ \$var1 = "Global"
↓
↳ Get-Content ScriptScope.ps1
\$var1
\$var1 = "within script"
\$var1
↓
Global within script

3) Private Scope :- Can be accessed only within the Current Scope.

↳ Get-Content PrivateScope.ps1
\$private:var1 = "Script"
Write-Host \$var1
function ScopeDemo()
{
 Write-Host \$var1
 \$var2 = "within function"
 Write-Host "\$var2"
}
ScopeDemo

↓
Script
Global
within function

4) Numbered Scope :-

used to refer the variable with the same name in different scopes. variables are identifying referring it using a name or a number.

↳ Content NumberScope.PS1

\$num = "Numbered Scope"

function funct1

{

\$num = "within funct1"

function funct2

{

\$num = "within funct2"

cret-variable num - scope 0

u " " " 1
" u " " 2

}

funct2

}

funct1

↓
dictionary

name

value

num

within funct2

num

within funct1

num

numbered Scope

Flow Control Statement:-

A flow control statement specifies the block of code to be executed based on condition.

It is classified into:

Selection

* If

* While

else

else if

else if

Iteration

* While

* Do-While

* Do-until

* for

* foreach

Branching

* Continue

* Break

If Statement:-

- * In an "if" statement, a condition is tested. If condition is true, a set of statement following 'if' condition are executed.
- * If condition is false 'elseif' condition will be tested. If condition is true a set of statement following 'elseif' condition are executed.

↳ \$a = "PowerShell" → Create "if.ps1" file & enter following code.

```
IF ($a -eq "PowerShell")  
{  
    "Statement is true"  
}  
ELSE  
{  
    "Statement is false"  
}
```

↓
Script execute & give result.
→ if.ps1
↓
Statement is true

Switch Statement:-

It is selection control statement that helps to select a choice from a set of available choices.

Create file, switch.ps1

```
$var = "L1043"  
Switch ($var)  
{  
    L1043 {"you are in L1043 classRoom"}  
    L2130 {"you are in L2130 classRoom"}  
    CR3 {"you are in CR3 classRoom"}  
}
```

↓
you are in L1043 classRoom //

While Loop! -

It is used to repeat Set of statements as long as the condition is true. When the condition becomes false, the "while" loop exits.

↳ Get-Content whiledemo.ps1

\$n = Get-Process | Measure-Object | Select-Object -ExpandProperty Count
 no.of processes
 Counts & refers to variable 'n'.
 {
 while (\$n -gt 100)
 {
 write-Host \$n "Processes are running"
 \$n -- # Assume we are killing Process foreudre load
 }
 }
 ↓
 109 Processes are running
 :
 101 "Processes are running"

Do-while Loop! -

Used to repeat Set of statements as long as the condition is true. In "do-while" the condition is tested at the end of loop.

↳ Get-Content dowhile.ps1

\$n = Get-Process | Measure-Object | Select-Object -ExpandProperty Count
 do
 {
 write-Host \$n "Processes are running"
 \$n--
 } while (\$n -gt 100)
 ↓
 112 Processes are running
 :
 101 "Processes are running"

DO-until loop:-

It is similar to "do-while Loop". But repeats a set of statement as long as condition evaluates to false. When condition becomes true, the loop exists.

↳ Get-Content dountil.ps1

```
$n=(Get-Process | Measure-Object | Select-Object -ExpandProperty Count)  
do
```

 Write-Host \$n "Process are running"

 \$n-- #

} until (\$n -lt 100)

↓
111 Process are running

↓
100 Process are running.

For Loop:-

Used to execute certain set of statements a specific no. of times.

↳ Processes name matching to Particular file,

```
Get-Process | Select-Object Name | Out-File -FilePath testit.txt
```

↳ Get-Content forloop.ps1

```
$text=Get-Content testit.txt
```

```
$pattern="*powershell"
```

```
for ($i=0; $i -lt $text.length; $i++)
```

```
{
```

```
    if ($text[$i] -like $pattern)
```

```
{
```

```
        "Line $i Contains $pattern"
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

↓ Line 61 Containing *Powershell*

Foreach Loop!-

used to loop through a set of objects & execute an action against each of the object.

↳ Get-Content foreach.ps1

```
$var=Get-Process  
Foreach ($a in $var)  
{  
    Write-Host "The Process id ob $a.name is" $a.id.  
}
```



The Process id ob actress is 4592
" " " ansver is 1880

The Process id ob chrome is 6484.

Break Statement!-

Breaks the flow of execution work. forces termination of loop. when a "break" is encountered in a loop, the loop terminates immediately & the execution resumes with the next command block following loop.

↳ Get-Content break.ps1

```
$var=Get-Process  
Foreach ($a in $var)  
{  
    if ($a.name -eq "Powershell")  
    {  
        Write-Host "The Process id ob Powershell is" $a.id  
        break  
    }  
}
```

The Process ID of PowerShell is 13296.

Continue statement:-

It forces the next iteration of the loop take place. Skips the command block b/w 'Continue' statement & end of loop.

↳ Get-Content Continue.ps1

```
$var = Get-Process  
ForEach ($a in $var)  
{  
    $name = "PowerShell"  
    if ($a.name -ne $name)  
    {  
        Continue  
    }  
    Write-Host "The Process ID of PowerShell is '$a.id'"  
}
```

The Process ID of PowerShell is 13296.

Get-Service Cmdlet:-

The Get-Service Cmdlet retrieves information about all the services on local or remote computer.

↳ Get-Service → for showing Services status, Name, DisplayName.

→ for retrieving the Particular Service name,

↳ Get-Service -Name DHCP

↳ Get-Service -Name "net*" → whatever before & after 'net' words there. Those are services showing here.

→ for retrieving the Particular DisplayName,

↳ Get-Service -DisplayName "net"

Pipelining! - (1) :-

- * PowerShell allows you to control cmdlets & objects through a technique called Pipelining.
- * It is used to execute multiple cmdlet in sequence. As each cmdlet executes, its output is taken as an input to the next cmdlet.
- * An object that is pipelined is called as "current pipeline object" & represented by "\$_".

Where-Object Cmdlet:-

The Where-Object Cmdlet allows you to limit or filter the object being passed to the pipeline.

↳ Get-Service | where-object \$_.status -eq "Running" →
for showing all running Services.

↳ Get-Service | where-object \$_.Name -like "n*" →
for showing services which starting n or N.

↳ Get-Service | where-object \$_.Name -like "n*x" →
only showing services which starting with
N or n.

Parameter	works as
-lt	less than
-le	less than equal to
-gt	greater than
-ge	greater than equal to
-eq	Equal
-ne	not equal to
-like	Pattern matching
-clike	Pattern matching with like Services

Select-Object Cmdlet:-

* Select-Object is a filtering Cmdlet that selects specific properties of an object based on the parameter specified.

↳ Get-Service | Select-Object -Property Name → only Services

' names ' showing here.

↳ Get-Service | Select-Object -Property Name, Status → only Services

' names & status ' showing here

↳ Get-Service | Select-Object -First 3 → first three Services showing here.

↳ Get-Service | Select-Object -Last 5 → last 5 Services showing here.

Note:- The -ExpandProperty Parameter when used with the Select-Object Cmdlet will return only the values of the Property specified & doesn't include its name. In the

Export Data to a file!:-

↳ Get-Service | Out-File -FilePath Services.txt → Get-Service all data stored in Services.txt file.



↳ Get-Content Services.txt → shows Content of file.

↳ Get-Service | Select-Object -Last 10 | Export-Csv -Path

Services.csv → for export to CSV format file.

↓
dir & ls → showing all files

Get-Process:- This Cmdlet retrieves information about all the processes that are currently running on system.

↳ Get-Process

(Name, Id, CPU, VH, WS, NPM, Handles Shows for targeted B Process in column (Process))!

→ for knowing Particular Process Name, & Id.

↳ Get-Service

↳ Get-Process -Name Powershell

↳ Get-Process -Id 37876

→ for knowing list of Process with Particular Name Starts with,

↳ Get-Process -Name winx, Powx

Sort-Object:- This Cmdlet Sorts objects in ascending or descending order.

based on the Parameter mentioned.

↳ Get-Process | Sort-Object -Property CPU -Descending →
for showing Process in Descending order.

Measure-Object:-

The Measure-Object Cmdlet performs Calculation on the Property value of object.

It is used to calculate the min, max, sum & avg of numeric values & also count number of objects.

↳ Get-Process | Measure-Object

Each Property can measured to calculate min, max, sum & avg values.

↳ Get-Process | Measure-Object -Property VH -sum Average -maximum -minimum.

↳ Get-Process | Measure-Object -Property VM-Line-Word -Character
→ for showing no.of lines, word & character of
Process.

→ fetch total no.of processes running in system & highest
CPU being consumed.

↳ Get-Process | Measure-Object -Property CPU-Maximum | Select Count,
Name, Maximum.

Get-Content:-

The Get-Content Cmdlet retrieves the contents of a file
from specified location.

↳ Get-Content -Path myfile.txt → for showing content
of file.

↳ Get-Process | Export-Csv myfile.csv → GetProcess showing
in .csv file format.

↳ Import-Csv -Path myfile.csv → showing tabular
format data after import.

Get-Eventlog:-

It is used to retrieve the events in event log.

↳ Get-Eventlog -list → shows Eventlogs all.

↳ Get-Eventlog -logName Application → for retrieving the
logs for Particular Application's Event.

→ Shows those events having error in 'application'.
event log.

↳ Get-Eventlog -logName Application -EntryType Error

Formatting Data! — Windows PowerShell has a set of cmdlets that are used to format the way in which the properties of objects displayed.

The format cmdlets : format-wide, format-list, format-table

↳ format-wide only displays single property as it's -Property parameter only takes a single value.

→ Get-Eventlog -logname Application | Format-wide -Property Source.

↳ -Column Parameter can be used to specify no of columns in which data has to be displayed.

→ Get-Eventlog -logname Application | Format-wide -Property Source -Column 2

↳ Displays an object form of listing,

→ Get-Eventlog -logname Application | Format-list

↳ The format-table cmdlet formats the output in tabular format.

→ Get-Eventlog -logname Application | Select-Object InstanceId -First 10

{ Source InstanceId } → tabular format
: : → showing

↳ retrieve the source details of application Eventlog having errors.

→ Import-Csv -Path myfile.csv | Where-Object { \$_.EntryType -eq "Error" } |

Select-Object Source

↳ Formatting the data to be displayed in 5 columns & redirecting to a text file.

```
→ Import-Csv -Path myfile.csv | Where-Object {$_.EntryType -eq "Error"} |  
    Select-Object Source | Format-Wide -Column 5 | Out-File -FilePath  
    'myfile.txt'  
  
Get-ChildItem -  
It is used to retrieve all the files & folder from any  
specified directory.
```

↳ Get-ChildItem → shows Path of current working dire-

↳ Get-ChildItem -Path C:\Recurse → for 'C' drive all
files & folders showing.

→ for creating new directory

↳ New-Item -Name folder -Type Directory

→ for creating new file,

↳ New-Item -Name file -Type File

→ To add some value for particular file while creating,

↳ New-Item -Name file -Type File -Value "welcome PS".

→ Copy the files or folder from one location to another,

↳ Copy-Item C:\MyData\file1 Destination C:\MyData\Fold\file1.

→ move-Item cmdlet moves an item, including its
Properties, contents from one location to another.

↳ move-Item file1 -Destination C:\MyData\Fold\file1.

→ Remove-Item cmdlet is used for deleting the
specific item.

↳ Remove-Item -Path "C:\MyData\file1"