

.. /Odbccconf.exe

Execute (DLL)

Used in Windows for managing ODBC connections

Paths:

C:\Windows\System32\odbcconf.exe
C:\Windows\SysWOW64\odbcconf.exe

Resources:

- <https://gist.github.com/NickTyrer/6ef02ce3fd623483137b45f65017352b>
- <https://github.com/woanware/application-restriction-bypasses>
- <https://www.hexacorn.com/blog/2020/08/23/odbcconf-lolbin-trifecta/>

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Detections:

- Sigma: https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/6312dd1d44d309608552105c334948f793e89f48/rules/windows/process_creation/proc_creation_win_odbcconf_response_file.yml
- Sigma: https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/6312dd1d44d309608552105c334948f793e89f48/rules/windows/process_creation/proc_creation_win_odbcconf_response_file_susp.yml
- Elastic: https://github.com/elastic/detection-rules/blob/414d32027632a49fb239abb8fbbb55d3fa8dd861/rules/windows/defense_evasion_unusual_process_network_connection.toml
- Elastic: https://github.com/elastic/detection-rules/blob/414d32027632a49fb239abb8fbbb55d3fa8dd861/rules/windows/defense_evasion_network_connection_from_windows_binary.toml

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. ExecuteDllRegisterServer from DLL specified.

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odbcconf /a {REGSVR c:\test\test.dll}
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| Privileges required: | User |
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. Install a driver and load the DLL. Requires administrator privileges.

```
odbcconf INSTALLDRIVER "lolbas-project|Driver=c:\test\test.dll|APILevel=2"  
odbcconf configsysdsn "lolbas-project" "DSN=lolbas-project"
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. Load DLL specified in target .RSP file. See the Code Sample section for an example .RSP file.

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odbcconf -f file.rsp
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