


Azure PowerShell Benefits



Benefits to using PowerShell to manage Azure services:	Orchestrate various Azure services together
Provides great flexibility when interacting with Azure resources	Helps in reducing complexity in the code




Prerequisites for PowerShell Management



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Azure Az PowerShell module

- GA in December 2018
- New and recommended PowerShell module for interacting with Azure
- Shorter commands
- Cross platform support (Windows, Linux and MacOS)
- cannot co-exist with the AzureRM module
- All future development of Azure products will be for the Az module



Azure AzureRM PowerShell module

- Has been replaced with the new Az module
- No longer the recommended PowerShell module for interacting with Azure
- No Cross platform support
- Currently in bugfix-only maintenance mode until December 2020
- AzureRM module will no longer receive new cmdlets or features



Prerequisite for Azure PowerShell Az Module

Windows

- Windows PowerShell 5.1 and .Net Framework 4.7.2 or later
- Or
- PowerShell Core 6.x and later

MacOS and Linux

- PowerShell Core 6.x and later



Installing Azure PowerShell Az Module

Installed from the PowerShell Gallery (ARM)

PowerShell Gallery is currently the only supported installation method



Installing from the PowerShell Gallery (ARM)

Install the Azure Resource Manager modules:
`Install-Module Az`

Cmdlet will install the Azure modules in
%ProgramFiles%\WindowsPowerShell\Modules

Note :

You need to use an elevated (Run as Administrator) Windows PowerShell prompt

If an error occurs during install, you can manually remove the Az* folders in your %ProgramFiles%\WindowsPowerShell\Modules folder, and try the installation again

Running Cmdlet `Install-Module` requires `PackageManagement` installation. `PackageManagement` modules can be installed independently, or they include into `Windows Management Framework 5.1` (WMF 5.1). Windows 10 includes this by default.



Check if Azure PowerShell is installed correctly

Open a standard Windows PowerShell console, or [PowerShell Integrated Scripting Environment](#) (PowerShell ISE)

Once the installation completes, your \$env:PSModulePath setting should include the directories containing the Azure PowerShell cmdlets

Azure PowerShell Modules and versions:

`Get-Module -ListAvailable Az*`

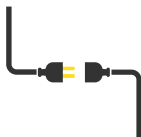


Check if Azure PowerShell is installed correctly

Open up your PowerShell console and type **Connect-AzAccount**. Input your credentials to attach your Azure subscription to the Azure PowerShell module.

Get-AzSubscription shows you all of the Azure subscriptions you have setup with PowerShell.

If you have more than one subscription, you can set the subscription to be default by using the **Select-AzSubscription** cmdlet. This allows you to set both the Azure subscription in your current session as well as all other PowerShell sessions.



Azure Profile

Save-AzProfile -Path
C:\AzureProfileFolder\azureprofile.json
will create the file `azureprofile.json`, which contains
some information for your Azure account.




Azure Profile

To login with a saved profile use:
Select-AzProfile
-Name C:\AzureProfileFolder\azureprofile.json

To allow Azure PowerShell to remember your context after the PowerShell session is
closed use:


Enable-AzContextAutoSave

This copies your `azureprofile.json` context and credential file to a hidden folder
(\$env:USERPROFILE\Azure on Windows, and \$HOME/Azure on other platforms)



Azure Cloud Shell

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Azure Cloud Shell



Azure Cloud Shell is an interactive, browser-accessible shell for managing Azure resources

Provides the flexibility of choosing the shell experience that best suits the way you work

Linux users can opt for a Bash experience, while Windows users can opt for PowerShell

Access Azure cloud shell from within the Azure portal, at <https://shell.azure.com>, Azure CLI, Azure mobile app or VS Code Azure Account extension

Azure Cloud Shell Concepts

- Cloud Shell runs on a temporary host provided on a per-session, per-user basis
- Cloud Shell times out after 20 minutes without interactive activity
- Cloud Shell requires an Azure file share to be mounted
- Cloud Shell uses the same Azure file share for both Bash and PowerShell
- Cloud Shell is assigned one machine per user account
- Cloud Shell persists \$Home using a 5-GB image held in your file share
- Permissions are set as a regular Linux user in Bash

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Demo: Azure Cloud Shell









Creating Azure Storage Accounts

PowerShell Command for creating a storage Account
New-AzStorageAccount

Command parameters required:

	
- ResourceGroupName	- SkuName
	
- Name	- Location

Creating Azure Storage Accounts

Before attempting to create a storage account, you can check to verify the availability of the storage account name in Azure.

- Verify the availability of storage account name in Azure

```
Get-AzStorageAccountNameAvailability -Name
```

- Example: A new locally redundant ARM storage account

```
New-AzStorageAccount -ResourceGroupName ContosoRG1 -Name contosostore1  
-SkuName Standard_LRS -Location "East US"
```

Setting a Default Storage Account

A subscription can have multiple storage accounts. One can be chosen as the default.

The default storage account is used as the default for all commands in the same PowerShell session

PowerShell command to set a default storage account
Set-AzCurrentStorageAccount

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- Name

Creating a Storage Account Context

An Azure storage context is an object in PowerShell to encapsulate the storage account credentials. To create a storage account context, you must obtain the account keys

- PowerShell command for retrieving the storage account keys

```
$storageAccountKey = Get-AzStorageAccountKey  
-ResourceGroupName $resourceGroup -Name $storageaccount
```



- PowerShell command for creating storage account context

```
$ctx = New-AzStorageContext -StorageAccountName $storageaccount  
-StorageAccountKey $storageAccountKey.value[0]
```

Creating a Container

To store blobs/files in Azure storage, you must first create an Azure storage container to store the blobs

To create a storage container with PowerShell you must first do one of the following:

- Choose a desired storage account and set as the default storage account
- Create an Azure storage context for the required storage account

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Command parameters required:

Default Storage Account

- Name 

Storage Account Context

= Context 
- Name 

OR

Uploading VHDs to Azure Storage

- Uploading a VHD to Azure Storage requires you to know the URI of the storage container where the VHD will be stored.
- To gather the URI: Login to the Azure portal and copy the Uri of the storage account and container or use the URI syntax below.

Container

Uri Syntax: `http://<storage account>.blob.core.windows.net/<container>`

Example: `http://ContosoStorage1.blob.core.windows.net/VHDPUploads`

Blob

Uri Syntax: `http://<storage account>.blob.core.windows.net/<container>/<blob>`

Example: `http://ContosoStorage1.blob.core.windows.net/VHDPUploads/disk1.vhd`

Uploading VHDs to Azure Storage

PowerShell command for uploading VHDs to storage
Add-AzVhd

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- LocalFilePath



- Destination

Downloading VHDs from Azure Storage

PowerShell command for downloading VHDs from storage
Save-AzVhd

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- LocalFilePath



- SourceUri

Removing Azure Storage Accounts

PowerShell command for removing a storage account
Remove-AzStorageAccount

Command parameters required:



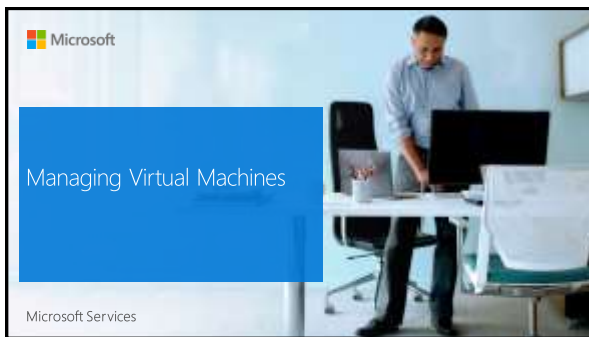
- ResourceGroupName



- Name

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Creating Azure Virtual Machine

- Resource Group
- Storage Account
- Network Security Group
- Public IP Address
- Virtual Network
- Network Interface
- Virtual Machine

- ✓ Create Resource Group
- ✓ Create Storage Account
- ✓ Create Network Security Group
- ✓ Create Public IP Address
- ✓ Create Virtual Network
- ✓ Create Network Interface
- ✓ Create Virtual Machine Configuration and Virtual Machine

Creating Azure Virtual Machines

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Create Azure Resource Group

```
New-AzResourceGroup -Name -Location
```

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Create Azure Storage Account

```
New-AzStorageAccount -ResourceGroupName -Name -SkuName -Kind -Location
```

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Create Azure Network Security Group

Create network security rule configuration that will be used to create the network security group

```
New-AzNetworkSecurityRuleConfig -Name -Description -Access -Protocol -SourcePortRange -SourceAddressPrefix -DestinationPortRange -DestinationAddressPrefix -Direction -Priority
```

Create network security group using the network security rule configuration

```
New-AzNetworkSecurityGroup -Name -ResourceGroupName -Location -SecurityRules
```

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Create Azure Virtual Network



Create virtual network subnet virtual configuration that will be used to create the virtual network

```
New-AzVirtualNetworkSubnetConfig -Name -AddressPrefix
```

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Create Azure Virtual network using the virtual network subnet configuration

```
New-AzVirtualNetwork -Name -ResourceGroupName -Location  
-AddressPrefix -Subnet
```

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Create Azure Public Address



Create virtual network subnet virtual configuration that will be used to create the virtual network

```
New-AzPublicIpAddress -Name -ResourceGroupName -Location -AllocationMethod
```

7

Create Network Interface Card



Create Azure Virtual network using the virtual network subnet configuration

```
New-AzNetworkInterface -Name -ResourceGroupName  
-Location -SubnetId -PublicIpAddressId
```

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Get Virtual Machine publisher, Image Offer, Sku and Image



```
Get-AzVMImagePublisher -location  
↓  
Get-AzVMImageOffer -location -publisher  
↓  
Get-AzVMImageSku -location -publisher -offer  
↓  
Get-AzVMImage -location -publisher -offer -sku
```



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Get an Virtual Machine configuration file

This command creates a configurable local virtual machine object for Azure. Store the results as a variable.

```
$VM = New-AzVMConfig -VMName -VMSize
```

Other cmdlets can be used to configure a virtual machine object

- Set the operating system properties - `Set-AzVMOperatingSystem`
- Set the platform image for virtual machine - `Set-AzVMSourceImage`
- Add virtual network interface - `Add-AzVMNetworkInterface`
- Set the operating system disk properties - `Add-AzVMNetworkInterface`

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Example: Create an VM configuration file and configure VM object

```
$VM = New-AzVMConfig -VMName $vmname -VMSize "Standard_A1"
$VM = Set-AzVMOperatingSystem -VM $vm -Windows
-ComputerName $compName -Credential $cred -ProvisionVMAgent
-EnableAutoUpdate
$VM = Set-AzVMSourceImage -VM $vm -PublisherName $publisher
-Offer $offer -Skus $sku -Version $image
$VM = Add-AzVMNetworkInterface -VM $vm -Id $nic.Id
$VM = Set-AzVMOSDisk -VM $vm -Name $diskName -VhdUri
$osDiskUri -CreateOption fromImage
```

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Create Azure Virtual Machine

This cmdlet creates the virtual machine once all the previous requirements are complete. The -VM parameter accepts the virtual machine configuration that is stored in a variable

```
New-AzVM -ResourceGroupName -Location -VM
```

Example: Creating an Azure Virtual Machine

```
New-AzVM -ResourceGroupName ContosoRG1 -Location "East US"
-VM $VM
```

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Creating Azure Virtual Machines with Generalized Images

Creating a virtual machine from a generalized image is similar to creating a virtual machine using an Azure image.

The generalized image must be uploaded to an Azure storage account.

No requirement to gather the publisher, offer and sku for virtual machine creation when using a generalized image.

The VM configuration file should point to the generalized Image Uri in storage and not to an Azure VM image.

Creating Azure Virtual Machines with Generalized Images

1

Upload the generalized image to Azure Storage

```
Add-AzVhd -ResourceGroup -Destination -LocalFilePath
```

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Creating Azure Virtual Machines with Generalized Images

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Create Azure Resource Group

Create virtual network subnet virtual configuration that will be used to create the virtual network

```
New-AzResourceGroup -Name -Location
```

3

Create Azure Storage Account

Create Azure Virtual network using the virtual network subnet configuration

```
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```

Creating Azure Virtual Machines with Generalized Images

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Create Azure Network Security Group

Create network security rule configuration

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-DestinationPortRange -DestinationAddressPrefix -Direction  
-Priority
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Creating Azure Virtual Machines with Generalized Images

Important: To Configure the OS disk to be created from the existing VHD image, use the **Set-AzVMOSDisk** cmdlet

The **-CreateOption** parameter should be set to **fromImage** and the **-SourceImageUri** should point to the Uri of the VHD image

Example:

```
$vm = Set-AzVMOSDisk -VM $vm -Name $osDiskName -VhdUri $osDiskUri -  
CreateOption fromImage -SourceImageUri $imageURI -  
-Windows
```

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New-AzVM -ResourceGroupName -Location -VM
```

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Stopping a Virtual Machine

PowerShell command for stopping a virtual machine
Stop-AzVM

Use the `-StayProvisioned` optional parameter to keep VM resources provisioned

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- Name

Starting a Virtual Machine

PowerShell command for starting a virtual machine
Start-AzVM

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- Name

Restarting a Virtual Machine

PowerShell command for restarting a virtual machine
Restart-AzVM

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- Name

Deleting a Virtual Machine

PowerShell command for deleting a virtual machine
Remove-AzVM

Command parameters required:



- ResourceGroupName



- Name

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Isolation



Access to the public Internet



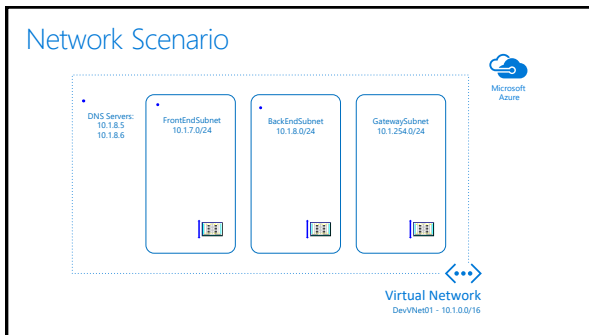
Access to Virtual Machines within the Virtual Network



Security



Connectivity



Choose names and locations

To choose names for Azure objects follow by [Naming Rules and Restrictions](#) article

Run `Get-AzLocation` | Select `DisplayName` to get a list of available locations.

Declare variables

```
Resource Group name:
$RG1 = "TestRG01"

Location:
$Location = "East US"

Virtual Network Name:
$VNetName1 = "DevVNet01"

Subnets:
$SubnetName1 = "FrontEndSubnet"
$SubnetName2 = "BackEndSubnet"
$SubnetName3 = "GatewaySubnet"
```

Declare variables

```
Virtual Network Prefix:
$VNetAddressPrefix = "10.1.0.0/16"

Subnet Prefixes:
$SubnetAddressPrefix1 = "10.1.7.0/24"
$SubnetAddressPrefix2 = "10.1.8.0/24"
$SubnetAddressPrefix3 = "10.1.254.0/24"

DNS Servers:
$DnsServer = @("10.1.8.5","10.1.8.6")
```

How to create Virtual Networks

- If necessary, create a Resource Group:

```
New-AzResourceGroup -Name $RG1 -Location $Location `
-Tag @{Dept="IT"; Environment="TestDev"}
```

- Create a new VNet:

```
$vnet01 = New-AzVirtualNetwork -ResourceGroupName $RG1 `
-Name $VNetName1 -AddressPrefix $VNetAddressPrefix `
-Location $location -Tag @{Dept="IT"; Environment="TestDev"}
```

How to create Virtual Networks

Add two subnets to the \$vnet01 variable:

```
Add-AzVirtualNetworkSubnetConfig -Name
FrontEndSubnet `
-VirtualNetwork $vnet01 -AddressPrefix
$SubnetAddressPrefix1

Add-AzVirtualNetworkSubnetConfig -Name
BackEndSubnet `
-VirtualNetwork $vnet01 -AddressPrefix
$SubnetAddressPrefix2
```

How to create Virtual Networks

To save the changes to Azure, run:

```
Set-AzVirtualNetwork -VirtualNetwork $vnet01
```

In an output double check ProvisioningState
"ProvisioningState": "Succeeded"

To control created VNet:

```
Get-AzVirtualNetwork -ResourceGroupName $RG1 -Name $VNetName1
```

How to modify VNet configuration

a) `$vnet01 = Get-...` b) `Add-...` c) `Set-...`

We will change VNet configuration by adding:

Another one subnet object - "GatewaySubnet"

Array of DNS servers. Must be an array of up to 10 DNS servers, by IP address

How to modify VNet configuration

Read VNet configuration into a variable \$vnet01:

```
$vnet01 = Get-AzVirtualNetwork -ResourceGroupName $RG1 -Name $VNetName1
```

Add a new subnet to the \$vnet01 variable:

```
Add-AzVirtualNetworkSubnetConfig -Name $SubnetName3 -VirtualNetwork $vnet01 -AddressPrefix $SubnetAddressPrefix3
```

How to modify VNet configuration

And array of DNS servers to the \$vnet01 variable:

```
$vnet01.DhcpOptions.DnsServers = $DnsServer
```

Save the changes to Azure:

```
Set-AzVirtualNetwork -VirtualNetwork $vnet01
```

How to delete a Virtual Network

- In order to delete Virtual Network use **Remove-AzVirtualNetwork** cmdlet. By default, the cmdlet prompts you for confirmation. To suppress the prompt, use the **Force** parameter:

```
Remove-AzVirtualNetwork -Name $VNetName1 -ResourceGroupName $RG1 -Force
```

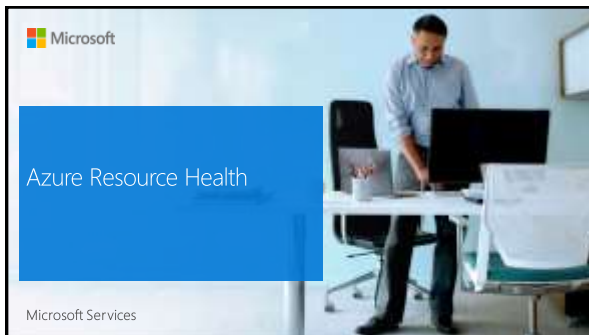
- Subnet objects are going to be deleted automatically
- Note, you can delete Resource Group with a VNet object in one cmdlet:

```
Remove-AzResourceGroup -Name $RG1 -Force -Verbose
```



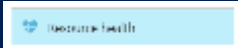
Demo: Create a Resource Group & Storage Account





Azure Resource Health


- Azure Resource health helps you diagnose and get support when an **Azure issue** impacts your resources.
- Provides you with a personalized dashboard of the health of your resources, as opposed to Azure Status which informs you about the global health status of Azure services.
- Shows you all the times your resources were unavailable in the past due to Azure service issues, making it simple for you to understand if an SLA was violated.
- Is a free service.



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Azure Resource Health Statuses

- **Available** The service has not detected any events impacting the health of the resource.
- **Unavailable** The service has detected an ongoing **platform** or **non-platform** event impacting the health of the resource.
 - **Platform events** These events are triggered by multiple components of the Azure infrastructure.
 - **Non-Platform events** These events are triggered by actions taken by users.
- Access up to **14 days** of historical health data in the Resource health blade.



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Demo: Azure Resource Health



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Azure Monitor

Azure Monitor is a service that provides a single source for monitoring your Azure resources.

Visualize, query, route, archive, and take action on the metrics and logs coming from resources in Azure.

Accessed via Azure portal, PowerShell, Cross-Platform CLI or Azure Monitor REST APIs.

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Azure Monitor Categories

- **Activity log:** Describes all operations performed on resources in your subscription e.g. who created or deleted a VM.
- **Metrics:** Provides a single view of all metrics so you can easily understand how your resources are performing.
- **Diagnostic logs:** Provide data about the operation of a particular resource e.g. NSG Rule Counters.



Demo: Azure Monitor





Lab: Automating VM Deployment with PowerShell

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