New & Cool Tools! Management with Project Honolulu



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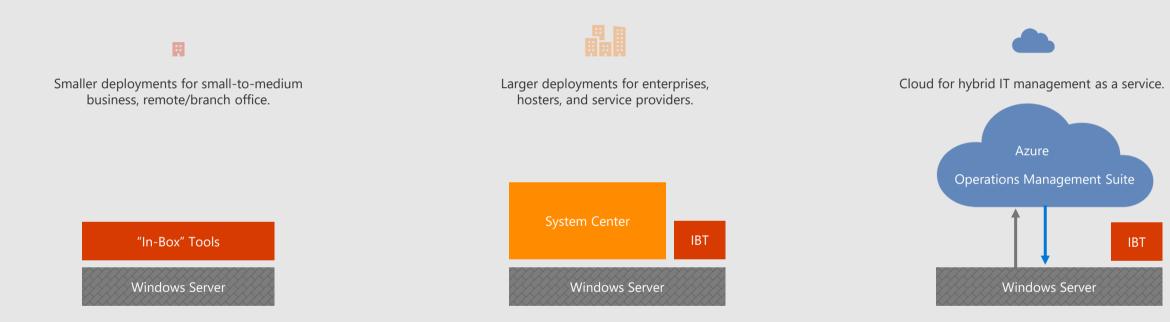
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Server Management

Core graphical management experiences for Windows Server

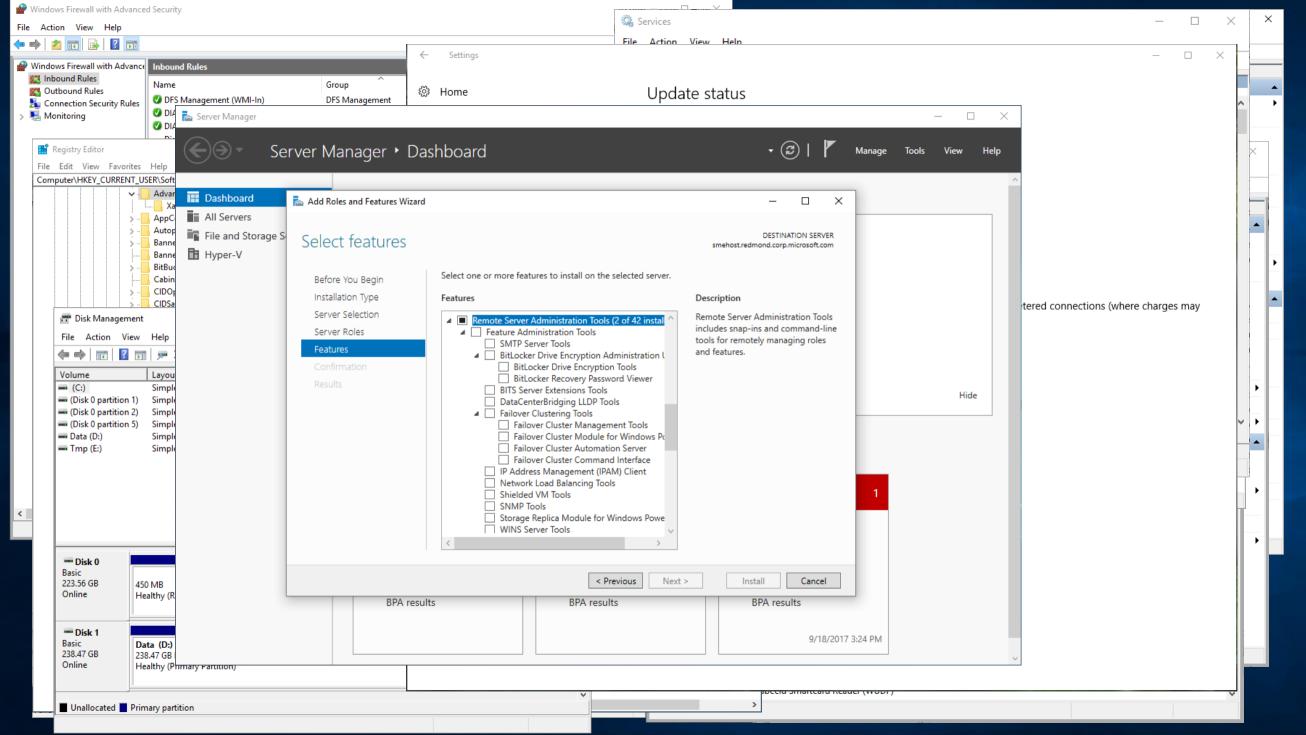


Server management experiences: evolution of "in-box" tools, what's new and what's next. Complementary to System Center and OMS; not replacements, and not competitors.

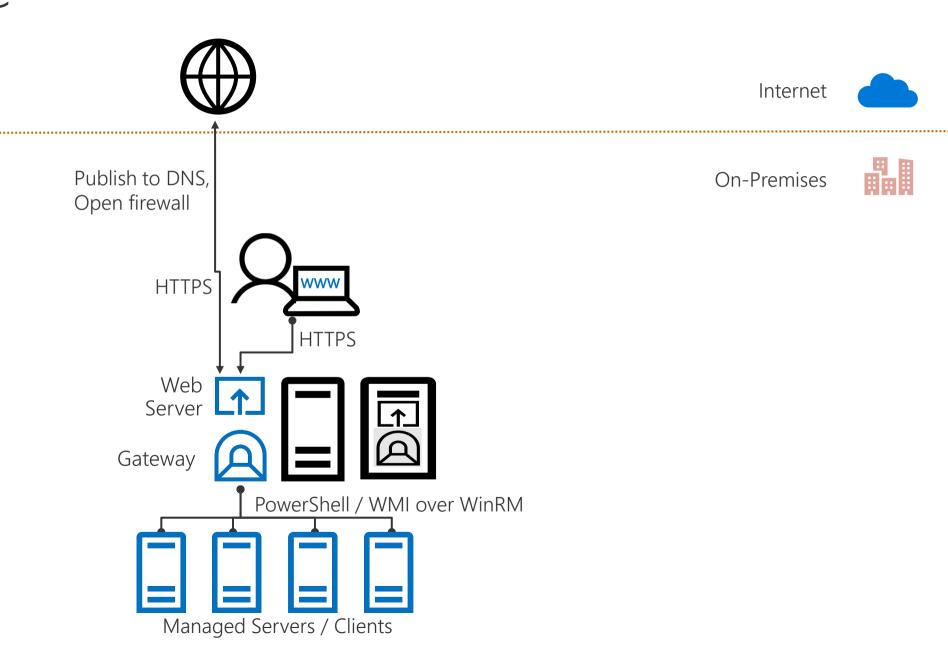
Project Honolulu Public Preview

Released 9/14/2017

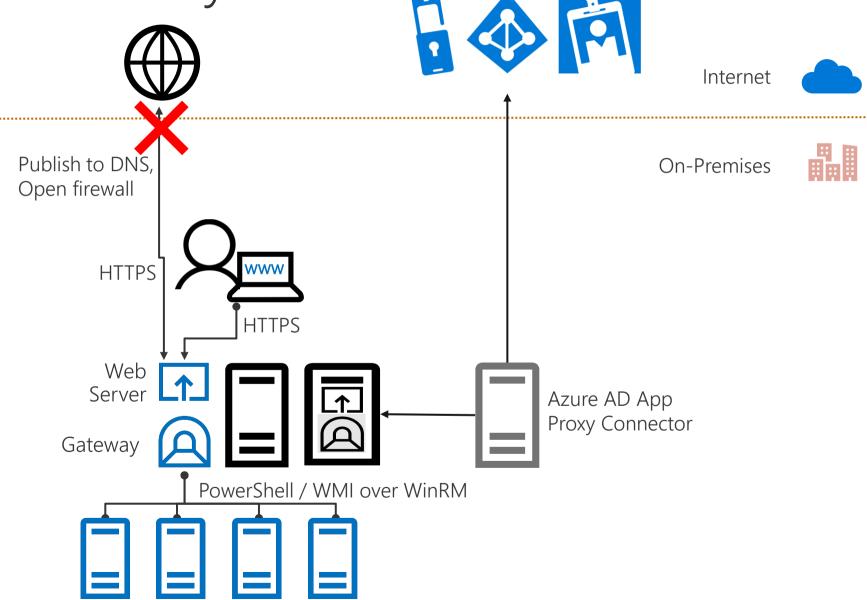
Project "Honolulu" is a browser-based customer-deployed solution for remote Windows Server management scenarios for troubleshooting, configuration and maintenance.



Architecture



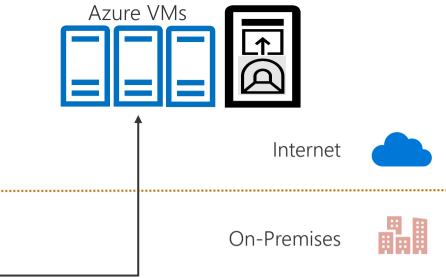
Architecture with Proxy



Managed Servers / Clients

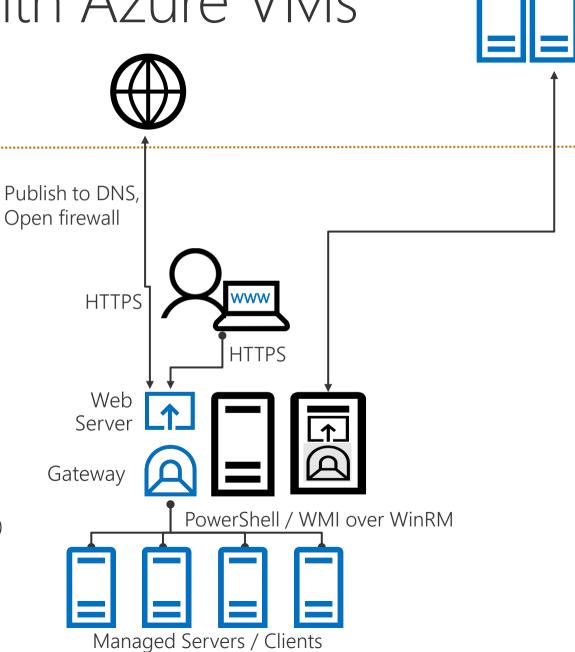
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Architecture with Azure VMs

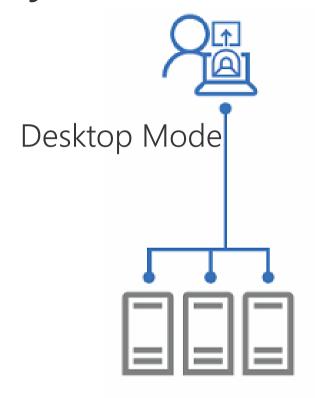


On Azure VMs:

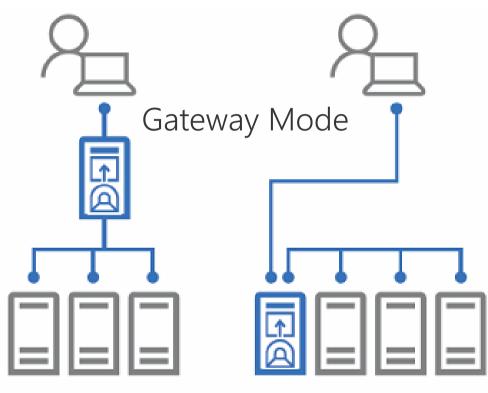
- Public IP's (optional w/VPN)
- Inbound tcp/5989 WinRM over HTTP
- Open port in Azure NSG (custom rule)



Deployment Models



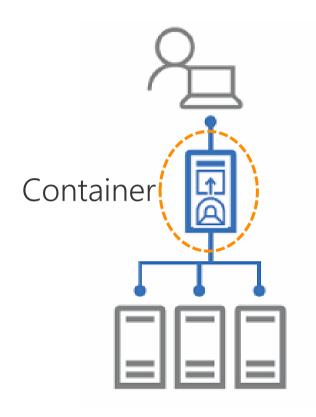
Install on a local
Windows 10 client that
has connectivity to the
managed servers.
Great for quick start,
testing, ad-hoc or
small scale scenarios.



Install on a designated gateway server and access from any client browser with connectivity to the gateway server.

Install directly on a managed server for the purpose of managing itself or a cluster in which it's a member node.

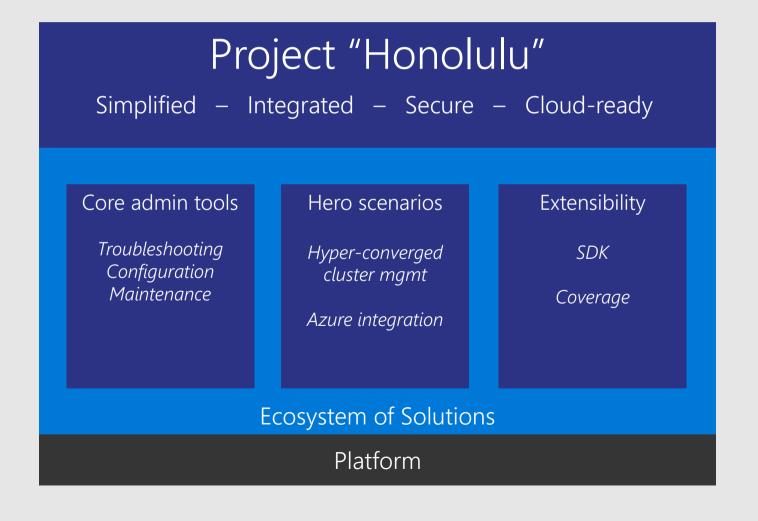
Deployment Models



Run as Windows Container –On-Premises or in Azure Self-contained, portable, flexible, scalable *Not officially supported... yet.

https://github.com/aavdberg

Modernizing the graphical management experience for Windows Server



Honolulu Design Choices



Visual Design

Aligning with Microsoft common design language and patterns



Leveraging open source technologies Angular, TypeScript, jQuery, SignalR, Chart.js, PrimeNG, RxJS, etc.















Building extensibility into the architecture

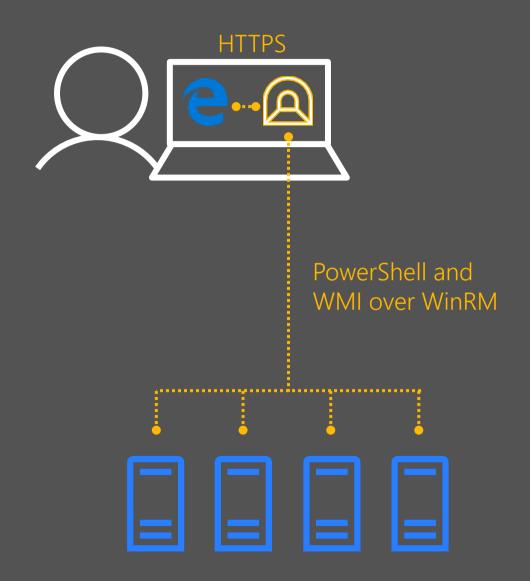
All core tools are built as separate modules Deep linking and contextual reusability



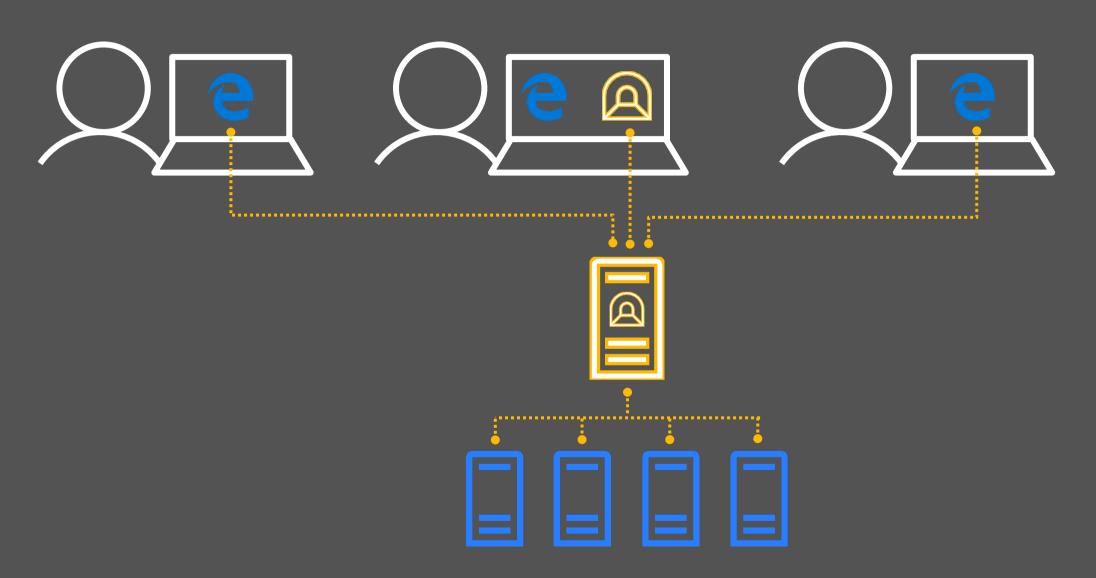
Designing for integration opportunities

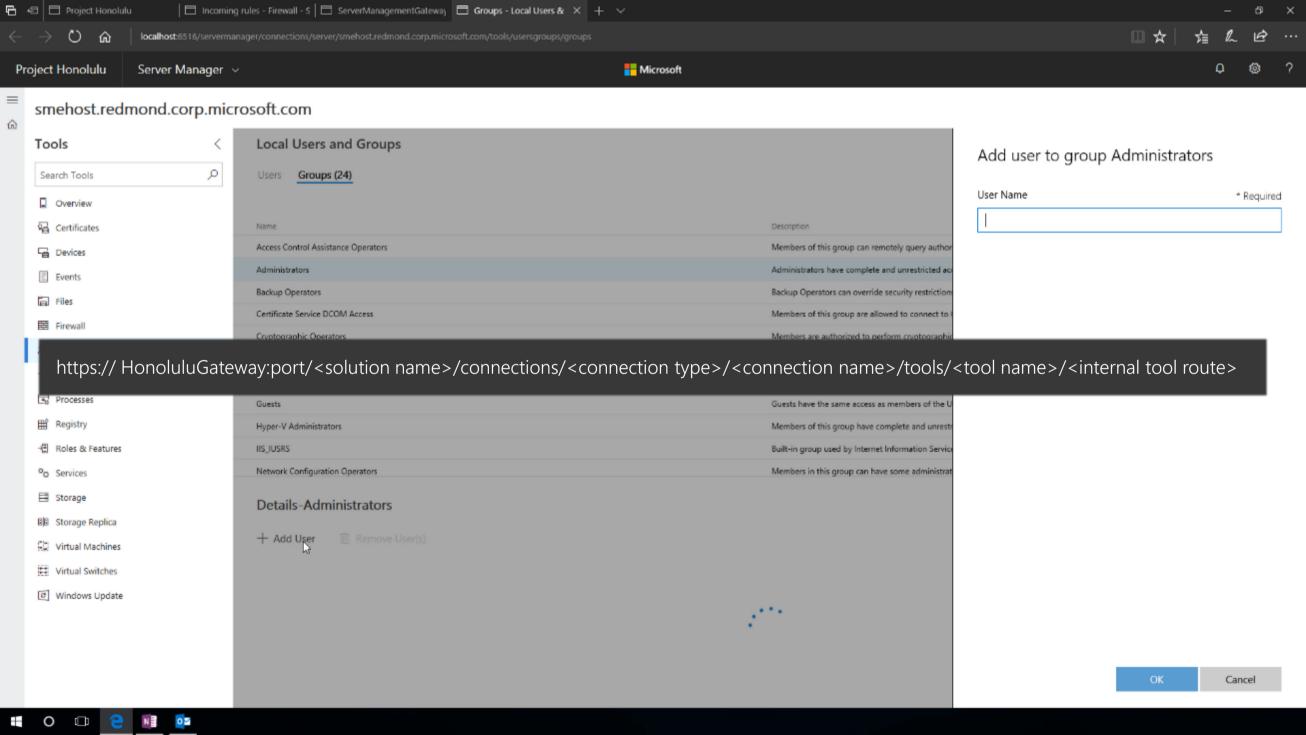
iFrame separation allows for implementation variety and portability of extension modules Content can be rendered for integration back into Azure or other cloud scenarios

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Requirements

OS Support for Install

- Windows 10 (Desktop Mode), Server 2016 Full or Core (Gateway Mode), Windows Server Build 1709 Core (Gateway Mode), Server 2016 or Hyper-V Server Core container (not yet officially supported)
 - Server Gateway requires Kerberos delegation enabled in domain.

OS Support for Clients

- Windows 10, Server 2016, Server Build 1709
- 2012 & 2012R2 require WMF 5 install (\$PSVersionTable)

Certificate

• *Self-Signed or Legit (60 days expiration on generated certificate)

WinRM, WMI, PowerShell Remoting

- Admin rights, local or domain → Local Administrator Password Solution (LAPS)
- Framework 5 → Server 2012 / 2012R2 (again \$PSVersionTable)
- WinRM over HTTP inbound → Existing rule needs to be enabled by network location
- Trusted Hosts → Done by installer now

WinRM and WMI

- "winrm quickconfig"
- WinRM enabled on Public network by default limits access to local subnet
- Firewall Rules
 - WinRM over HTTP tcp/5698 (not HTTPS!)
 - "Set-NetFirewallRule -Name WINRM-HTTP-In-TCP-PUBLIC -RemoteAddress Any"
- Trusted Hosts
 - Have installer do it for you
 - Troubleshooting

 check this

Tips

- Use tags
- Ul can be customized, but messy (manifest.json & strings.json)
- Connection entries kept in ESENT DB
 - Gateway %windir%\ServiceProfiles\NetworkService\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\ServerManagementExperience
 - Desktop %AppData%\Microsoft\ServerManagementExperience
- Local Admin authentication may require Registry edit on target
 - REG ADD HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\System /v LocalAccountTokenFilterPolicy /t REG_DWORD /d 1
- PowerShell modules
 - Remoting \Program Files\Project 'Honolulu' (Technical Preview)\PowerShell\Modules\ManagementTools
 - Core \ProgramData\Server Management Experience\Ux\powershell-module\Microsoft.SME.Shell

Honolulu FAQ

Cost	Browse using	Installs on	Manages	Connectivity
Free!	© Edge © Chrome	Windows Server, version 1709 Windows Server 2016 Windows 10	Windows Server, version 1709 Windows Server 2016 Windows Server 2012 R2 Windows Server 2012 Microsoft Hyper-V Server	Azure not required Internet not required AD not required

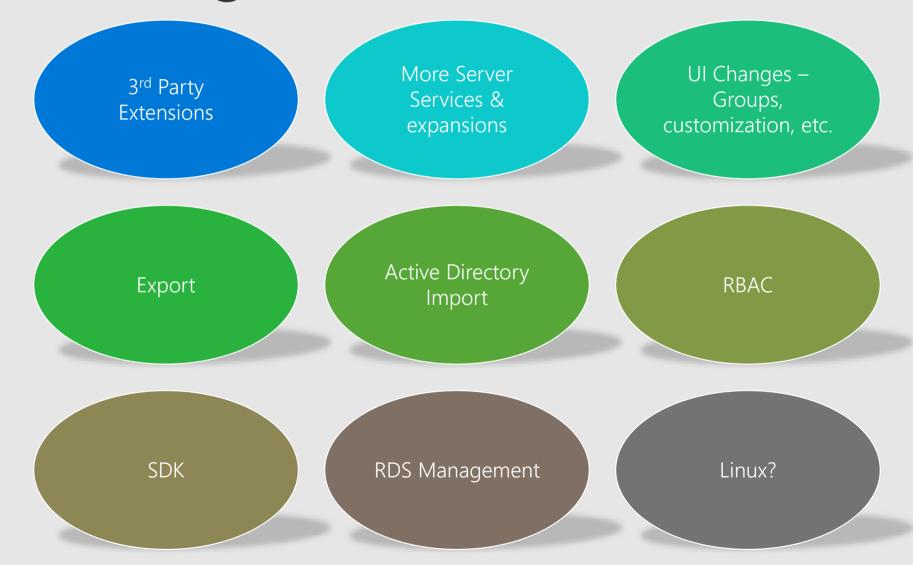
Security	Configuration	Positioning	Feedback	Extensions
HTTPS LAPS Delegation	IIS not required Agents not required SQL not required WMF 5.1 required on WS 2012 and 2012 R2	Evolution of "in-box" tools Complementary to RSAT, SC and OMS	Upvotes via UserVoice	Early alpha SDK in private preview

What's Missing Yet

Quite a bit actually, but it's growing rapidly

Some serious focus on Clustering and Hyper-V

What's Coming*



Demos

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