



WorkshopPLUS - Windows PowerShell: Foundation Skills

Microsoft Services



Operators and Pipelining



Learnings Units covered in this Module

Introduction to Operators

Understanding the Windows PowerShell Pipeline

Working with Pipelining

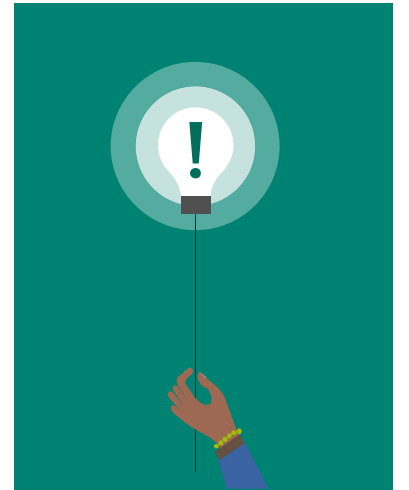
Different types of Operators

Introduction to Operators

Objectives

After completing Introduction to Operators, you will be able to:

- Use operators to make code decisions



Comparison Operators

Comparison Operators

- Compare values
- Useful when testing conditions (If, Switch, Where-Object, etc.)
- Do not use = , > , < , ==, etc. to compare values
- Object type on left governs comparison

Comparison Operators - Basic

No Wildcards

-eq	Equals	-ceq	-ieq
-ne	Not Equals	-cne	-ine
-gt	Greater Than	-cgt	-igt
-ge	Greater Than or Equal To	-cge	-ige
-lt	Less Than	-clt	-ilt
-le	Less Than or Equal To	-cle	-ile

Case-Insensitive
Version

Case-Sensitive
Version

Basic Operators

```
PS C:\> 1 -eq 1  
True
```

```
PS C:\> 1 -eq 2  
False
```

```
PS C:\> 10 -gt 20  
False
```

```
PS C:\> 10 -gt 5  
True
```

Basic Operators

```
PS C:\> $true -eq '$false'  
True
```

```
PS C:\> 'PowerShell' -gt 'CMDPrompt'  
True
```

```
PS C:\> 'a' -lt 'aa'  
True
```

```
PS C:\> $service = Get-Service bits  
PS C:\> $service.Status -eq 'Running'  
True
```

Demonstration

Operators



Comparison Operators - Wildcards

-like	Equals with wildcards	-clike	-ilike
-notlike	Not Equals with wildcards	-cnotlike	-inotlike

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Allowed Wildcards	
*	Zero or any number of any chars
?	Exactly one of any char
[1az9]	Exactly one of given char(s)
[a-l]	Exactly one of range of given char(s)

-Like

```
PS C:\> 'Pear' -eq 'p*'
False
```

```
PS C:\> 'Pear' -like 'p*'
True
```

```
PS C:\> $Process = Get-Process -Name Sys*
PS C:\> $Process
```

Handles	NPM(K)	PM(K)	WS(K)	VM(M)	CPU(s)	Id	ProcessName
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	--	-----
724	0	8972	628	13	51.33	4	System

```
PS C:\> $Process.Name -like '???????*'
False
```

Must be 7 chars followed
by zero or more

Comparison Operators – Regular Expressions

- See `Get-Help about_Regular_Expressions`

<code>-match</code>	Regular Expression comparison	<code>-cmatch</code>	<code>-imatch</code>
<code>-notmatch</code>	Regular Expression NOT comparison	<code>-cnotmatch</code>	<code>-inotmatch</code>

Case-Sensitive
Version

-Match

```
PS C:\> 'Digit 5 in this string' -match '\d'  
True
```

```
PS C:\> 'hello there' -match '^there'  
False
```

```
PS C:\> 'Program Files' -match 'files$'  
True
```

\d - Digit

^ - Start of Text

\$ - End of Text

See Get-Help about_Regular_Expressions for syntax

Comparison Operators – Array/Collection Containment

Always results in Boolean (True/False)

Case-Sensitive
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Array on left, Singleton on Right			
-contains	Array Contains single	-ccontains	-icontains
-notcontains	Array not Contains single	-cnotcontains	-inotcontains

Case-insensitive
Version

Singleton on left, Array on Right			
-in	Single in Array	-cin	-iin
-notin	Single not in Array	-cnotin	-inotin
-in, -notin, inotin introduced by PowerShell v3.0			

Array Containment

```
PS C:\> 1,2,3 -contains 2
```

```
True
```

```
PS C:\> "a","b","c" -notcontains "a"
```

```
False
```

```
PS C:\> 2 -in 1,2,3
```

```
True
```

```
PS C:\> "a" -notin "a","b","c"
```

```
False
```

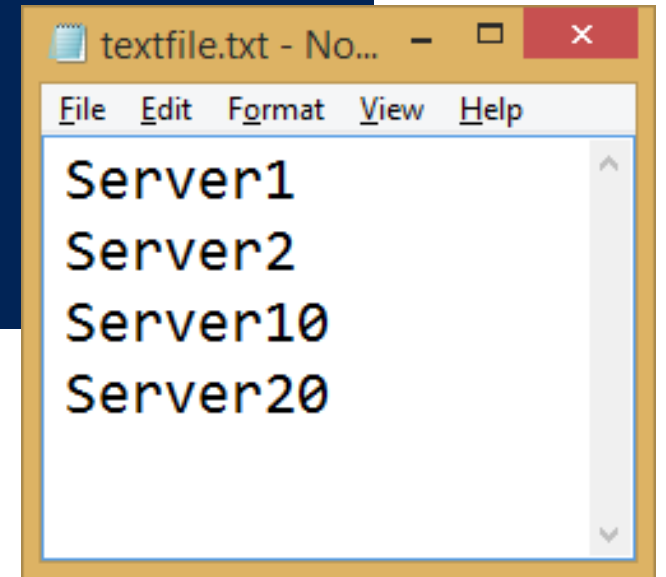
Array Containment

```
PS C:\> (Get-Process).Name -contains  
'Notepad'  
True
```

```
PS C:\> $ServerList = Get-Content  
.\textfile.txt
```

```
PS C:\> $ServerList -contains 'Server10'  
True
```

```
PS C:\> 'Server20' -in $ServerList  
True
```



Operator Case Sensitivity

```
PS C:\> "abcd" -eq "ABCD"  
True
```

```
PS C:\> "abcd" -like "ABC*"  
True
```

```
PS C:\> "abcd" -match "ABCD$"  
True
```

```
PS C:\> "abcd" -ceq "ABCD"  
False
```

```
PS C:\> "abcd" -clike "ABC*"  
False
```

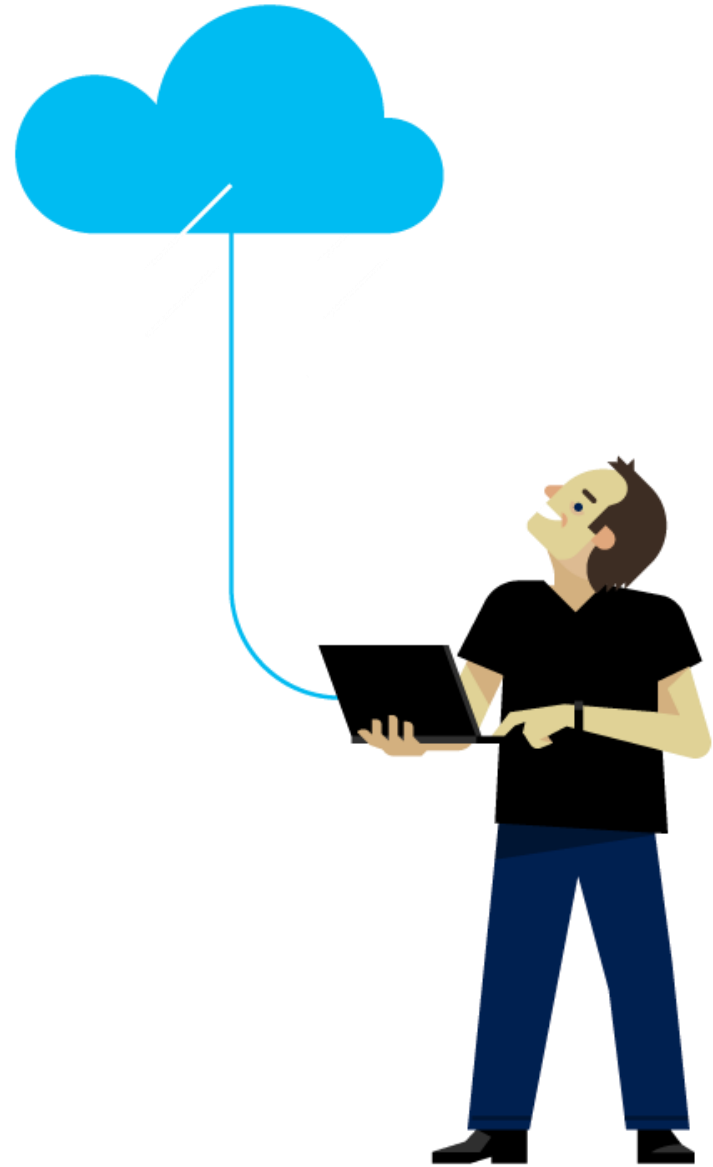
```
PS C:\> "abcd" -cmatch "ABCD$"  
False
```

Demonstration

Advanced Operators



Questions?



Logical Operators

Logical Operators

- Connect statements
- Compound conditions

Operator	Description
-and	TRUE only when both statements are TRUE.
-or	TRUE when either or both statements are TRUE.
-xor	TRUE only when one of the statements is TRUE and the other is FALSE.
-not or !	Negates the statement that follows it.

-and, -or, -xor, -not, !

```
PS C:\> (4 -lt 8) -and (5 -lt 10)
True
```

```
PS C:\> (4 -lt 8) -or (5 -lt 4)
True
```

```
PS C:\> (4 -lt 8) -xor (5 -lt 10)
False
```

```
PS C:\> -not (4 -lt 8)
False
```

```
PS C:\> !(Test-Path C:\windows)
False
```

```
PS C:\> (5 -lt 3 -or 4 -lt 8) -and (5 -lt 10 -and 20 -gt 10)
True
```

Demonstration

Logical operators



Range Operators

Range Operator

Numerical

```
PS C:\> 1..10
```

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10
```

```
PS C:\> 11..20
```

```
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20
```

```
PS C:\> 5..-4
```

```
5  
4  
3  
2  
1  
0  
-1  
-2  
-3  
-4
```

```
PS C:\> -1..-9
```

```
-1  
-2  
-3  
-4  
-5  
-6  
-7  
-8  
-9
```

Range of Characters Operator

Alphabetical [<letter>-<letter>]

Used with -Like,-NotLike and Parameters that accept wildcards

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem C:\windows\System32\[a-d]*
```

Directory: C:\windows\System32

Mode	LastWriteTime	Length	Name
----	-----	-----	----
d-----	22/08/2013 11:36 AM		AdvancedInstallers
d-----	20/05/2014 8:22 AM		AppLocker
d-----	19/10/2013 8:19 AM		Appmgmt
d-----	8/04/2014 7:38 PM		Ar-SA
d-----	19/10/2013 12:05 PM		BestPractices
...			

Specified Characters Operator

Alphabetical [<letter> <letter>]

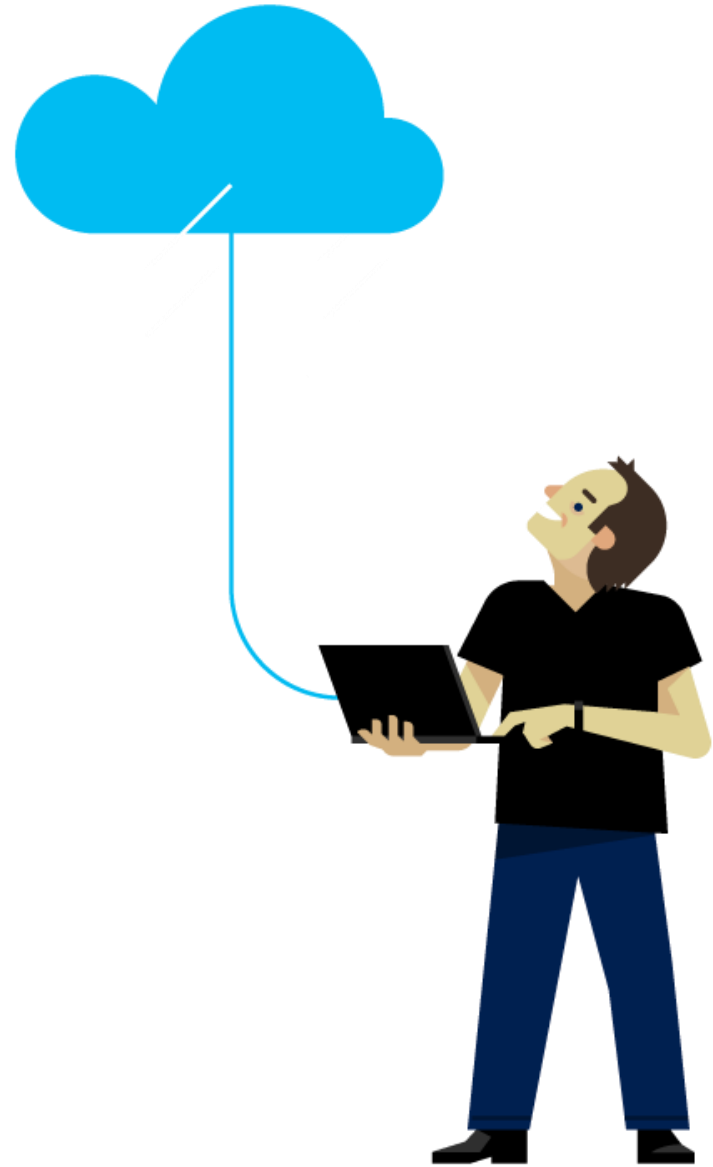
Used with -Like, -NotLike and Parameters that accept wildcards

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem C:\windows\System32\[jz]*
```

Directory: C:\windows\System32

Mode	LastWriteTime		Length	Name
----	-----		-----	----
d----	23/08/2013	1:36 AM		ja-JP
d----	23/08/2013	1:36 AM		zh-CN
-a---	23/08/2013	5:12 AM	25600	jnwmon.dll
-a---	22/08/2013	9:03 PM	142848	joy.cpl
-a---	22/08/2013	9:01 PM	429568	zipfldr.dll
...				

Questions?



Numeric Multipliers

Numeric Byte Multipliers

- Convenient byte multiples
- Commonly-used powers of 2
- Case-insensitive

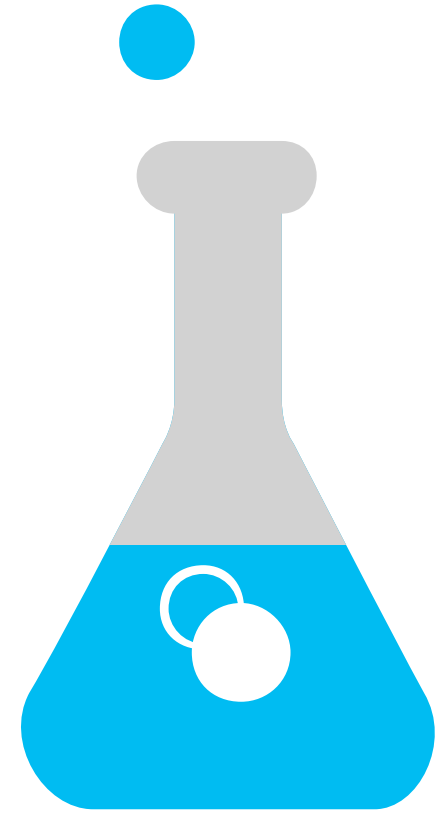
Multiplier	Meaning	Example
kb	kilobyte ($n * 1024$)	PS C:\> 2kb 2048
mb	megabyte ($n * 1024 * 1024$)	PS C:\> 100mb 104857600
gb	gigabyte ($n * 1024 * 1024 * 1024$)	PS C:\> 1.5gb 1610612736
tb	terabyte ($n * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024$)	PS C:\> 1tb 1099511627776
pb	petabyte ($n * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024$)	PS C:\> 1pb 1125899906842624

Demonstration

Numeric Byte Multipliers



Introduction to Operators



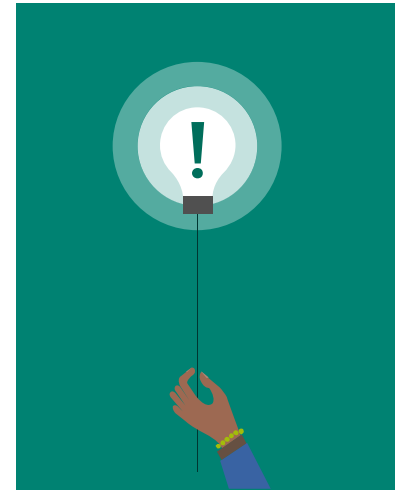
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Understanding the Windows PowerShell Pipeline

Objectives


After completing Understanding the Windows PowerShell Pipeline, you will be able to:

- Work with the powershell Pipeline
- Understand how the basic commands interact with the Pipeline



What is a pipeline?

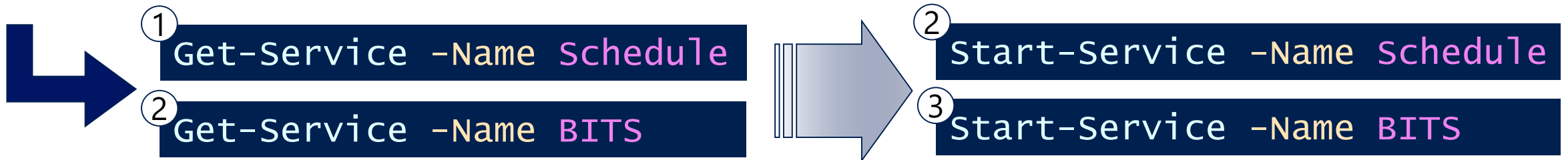
What is a Pipeline?

- Series of commands connected by the pipeline character.
 - Broken vertical bar 
- Passes OBJECT, not text, **Left** to **Right** starting with first command.
 - Each subsequent command takes its **Input** from the previous command's **Output**
- Allows Filtering, Formatting and Outputting
- Cmdlets are designed to be in a pipeline
- Pipeline statements typically start with a "Get" command which introduces the objects to be used throughout the statement.
- Increases performance of operations by allowing simultaneous execution

Using the Pipeline

- Sends output from one command as input to another command
- Pipeline statements typically start with a “Get” command which introduces the objects to be used throughout the statement.
- Increases performance of operations by allowing simultaneous execution of each portion of pipeline statement.

```
PS C:\> Get-Service -Name Schedule , BITS | Start-Service
```



Order of Operations

(Happens Simultaneously)

1. Get-Service -Name Schedule	
2. Start-Service -Name Schedule	2. Get-Service -Name Bits
3. Start-Service -Name Bits	

The "Get" Cmdlets

- Typically placed first in the pipeline
- Provides the input to be processed

Returns schedule and
bits services


```
PS C:\> Get-Service -Name Schedule , BITS | Start-Service
```

Takes an action on the
services

External Commands

- Can be used as input to the pipeline

External
command



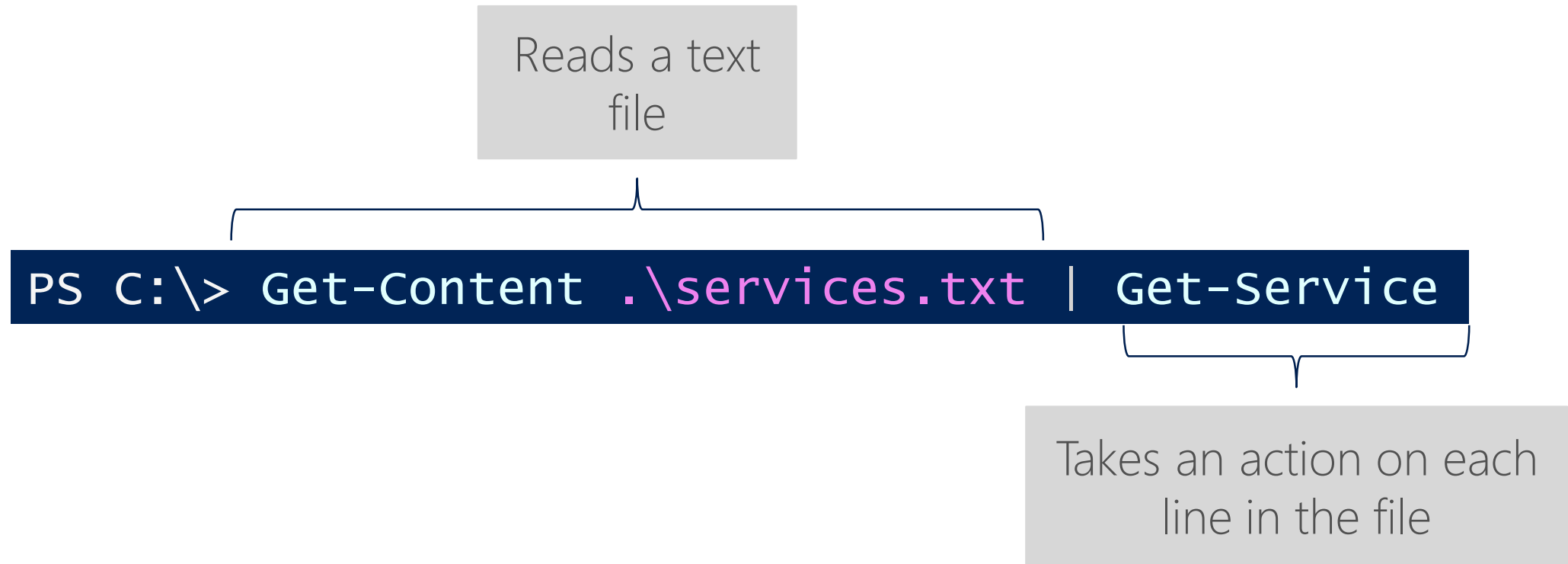
```
PS C:\> whoami.exe  
Contoso\power
```

```
PS C:\> whoami.exe | Split-Path -Parent  
contoso
```

```
PS C:\> whoami.exe | Split-Path -Leaf  
power
```

Text File Input

- Text files provide input to be processed by the pipeline



Pipeline Input

- Commands that get information are very suitable for use in the pipeline like the "Get-" commands
- Pipeline input can be any object
- PowerShell will bind properties from the input object on the left to the new command on the right

The "Get" Cmdlets

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- Provides the input to be processed

Returns schedule and
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```
PS C:\> Get-Service -Name Schedule , BITS | Start-Service
```

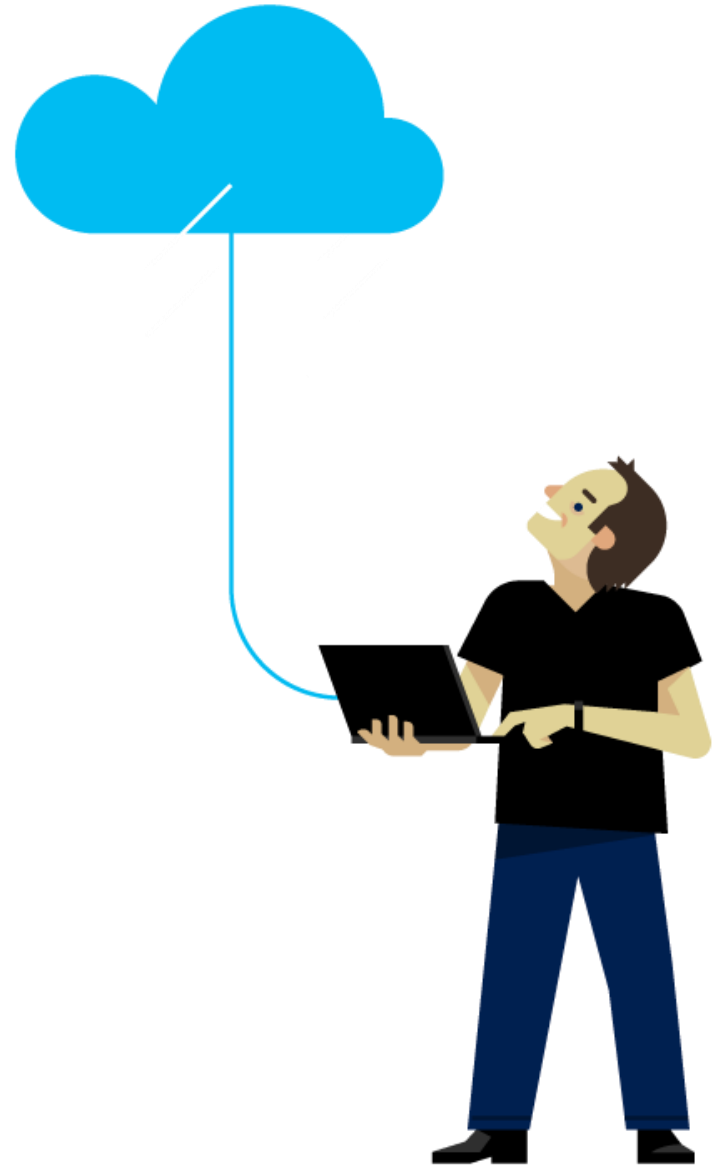
Takes an action on the
services

Demonstration

Pipeline Basics and
Optimization



Questions?



Object Cmdlets

Object Cmdlets

Name	Description
Sort-Object	Sorts objects by property values
Select-Object	Selects object properties
Group-Object	Groups objects that contain the same value for specified properties
Measure-Object	Calculates numeric properties of objects, and the characters, words, and lines in string objects, such as text files
Compare-Object	Compares two sets of objects

Sort-Object and Select-Object

Get all processes, Sort by virtual memory then Select top 2

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Sort-Object VM -Descending |  
Select-Object -First 2
```

Handles	NPM(K)	PM(K)	WS(K)	VM(M)	CPU(s)	Id	ProcessName
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	--	-----
1283	55	21020	30340	1237	477.78	304	svchost
1926	44	285244	230112	1165	716.45	4124	livecomm

Group-Object

Get security event log then Group by entry type

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Security |  
Group-Object EntryType
```

Count	Name	Group
-----	-----	-----
18105	SuccessAudit	{System.Diagnostics.EventLogEntry, Sys...
25	FailureAudit	{System.Diagnostics.EventLogEntry, Sys...

Measure-Object

Get files in c:\scripts then **Measure** their number (count) and total size (length) in bytes

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem C:\Scripts |  
Measure-Object -Property Length -Sum
```

```
Count      : 2  
Average    :  
Sum        : 217837  
Maximum    :  
Minimum    :  
Property   : Length
```

Compare-Object

Comparing text files

```
PS C:\> $ref = Get-Content -Path .\servers1.txt
```

```
PS C:\> Get-Content -Path .\servers2.txt | Compare-Object -ReferenceObject  
$ref
```

InputObject	SideIndicator
-----	-----
Server3	=>

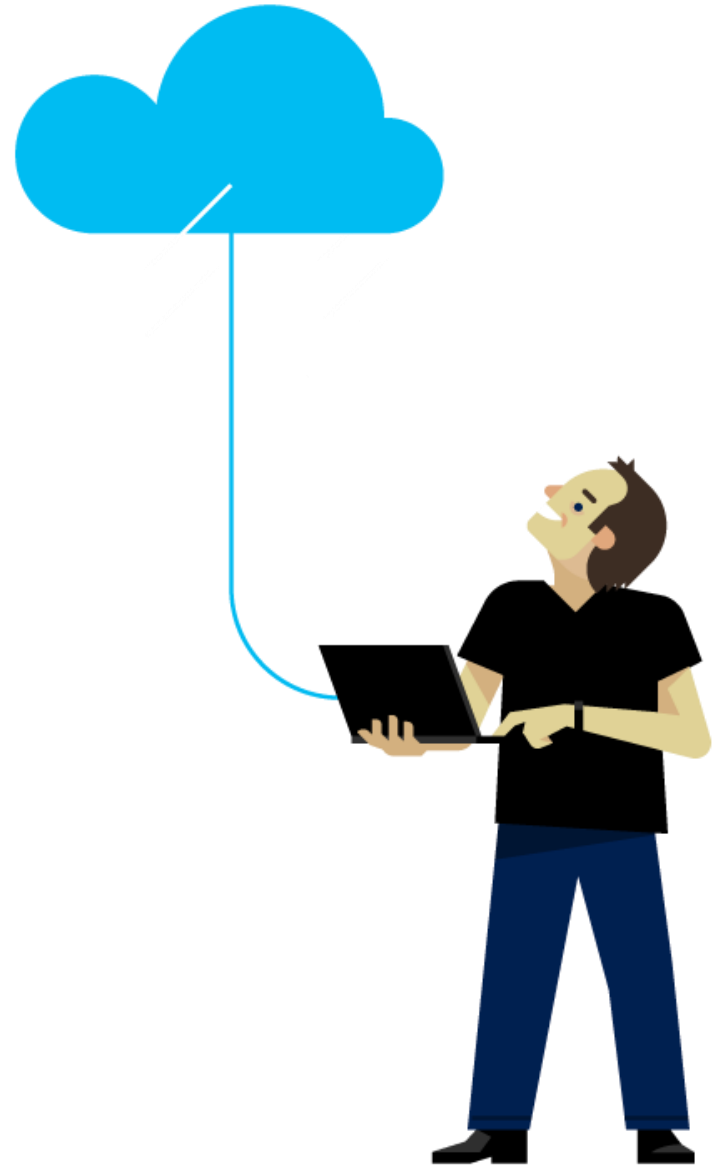
"Server3" is only in the difference variable (servers2.txt)

Demonstration

Object Cmdlets in the Pipeline



Questions?



Format Cmdlets

Format Cmdlets

- Convert pipeline objects into formatted output, typically for human consumption
- Should be last Cmdlet on the pipeline (only followed by Out-* Cmdlets)

Format-List

- Key Parameters:
- -Property *
lists all properties

Format-Table

- Key Parameters:
- -Autosize
- -Wrap

Format-Wide

- Key Parameters:
- -Autosize
- -Column

Format-List With Default Properties

```
PS C:\> Get-Process -Name powershell | Format-List
```

```
Id       : 6400  
Handles  : 472  
CPU      : 0.78125  
Name     : powershell
```

- Output is in list format
- Properties chosen are based on default formatting in PowerShell by object type

Format-List With Apecific Properties

```
PS C:\> Get-Process -Name powershell |  
Format-List -Property Name, BasePriority,  
PriorityClass
```

```
Name           : powershell  
BasePriority    : 8  
PriorityClass   : Normal
```

- Output in list format
- Consists of specified properties

Format-Table With Default Properties

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Format-Table
```

Handles	NPM(K)	PM(K)	WS(K)	VM(M)	CPU(s)	Id	ProcessName
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	--	-----
82	7	1308	1420	45	0.14	2308	armsvc
195	13	2568	3440	94	3.78	1192	atiectlxx
110	6	852	1172	23	0.09	868	atiesrxx
565	20	6384	7092	113	42.14	4308	BasisSync
180	12	2276	2660	89	0.41	7744	BDAppHost
142	11	1860	1768	76	0.14	7712	BDExtHost
335	24	12120	14988	126	1.31	7772	BDRuntimeHost
413	31	8128	10668	209	1.39	6636	BingDesktop

Format-Table With Specific Properties

```
PS C:\> Get-Process |  
Format-Table -Property name,workingset,handles
```

Name	workingSet	Handles
----	-----	-----
csrss	847872	216
csrss	356352	91
csrss	15646720	183
dwm	7045120	176
dwm	30498816	201
explorer	37539840	1427
Idle	4096	0
LogonUI	6897664	367
lsass	7622656	1050
MsMpEng	24444928	528
powershell_ise	144850944	515
...		

Format-Table With Specific Properties and -AutoSize

```
PS C:\> Get-Process |  
Format-Table -Property name,workingset,handles -AutoSize
```

Name	workingSet	Handles
----	-----	-----
csrss	843776	216
csrss	356352	91
csrss	15523840	183
dwm	7045120	176
dwm	30691328	201
explorer	37486592	1421
Idle	4096	0
LogonUI	6897664	367
lsass	7454720	1055
MsMpEng	22908928	527
powershell_ise	147017728	565
...		

Format-Table With Specific Properties

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Format-Table -Property Name,Path,WorkingSet
```

Name	Path	WorkingSet
----	----	-----
armsvc		1454080
atieclxx		3760128
atiesrxx		1200128
audiodg		1191168
BDAppHost	C:\Program Fil...	2736128
BDExtHost	C:\Program Fil...	1826816
BDRuntimeHost	C:\Program Fil...	15331328
BingDesktop	C:\Program Fil...	10981376
CCC	C:\Pro	5857280

...

Path truncated due to
wide values

Format-Table With Auto Sized Columns

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Format-Table -Property Name,Path,WorkingSet -AutoSize
```

Name	Path
----	----
armsvc	
atieclxx	
atiesrxx	
BDAppHost	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BDAppHost.exe
BDExtHost	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BDExtHost.exe
BDRuntimeHost	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BDRuntimeHost...
BingDesktop	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BingDesktop.exe
CCC	C:\Program Files (x86)\ATI Technology\ATI.ACE\Core-
Stati...	
...	

Path property truncation is minimized with -AutoSize, but workingset column lost

Format-Table With Wrap

```
PS C:\> Get-Process |  
Format-Table -Property Name,Path,workingSet -AutoSize -Wrap
```

Name	Path
----	----
armsvc	
atieclxx	
atiesrxx	
BDAppHost	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BDAppHost.exe
BDExtHost	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BDExtHost.exe
BDRuntimeHost	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BDRuntimeHost.exe
BingDesktop	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft\BingDesktop\BingDesktop.exe

Path property is line wrapped, workingset still lost in this case

Format-Table With Grouping

Processes are grouped by BasePriority
(need to sort by groupby prop first)

```
PS C:\> Get-Process |  
Sort-Object -Property BasePriority |  
Format-Table -GroupBy BasePriority -Wrap -AutoSize
```

BasePriority: 0

Handles	NPM(K)	PM(K)	WS(K)	VM(M)	CPU(s)	Id	ProcessName
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	--	-----
0	0	0	24	0		0	Idle

...

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Security | Group-Object EntryType | Format-  
Table -AutoSize -Wrap
```

Count	Name	Group
-----	-----	-----
181027	SuccessAudit	{System.Diagnostics.EventLogEntry}
25	FailureAudit	{System.Diagnostics.EventLogEntry}

Autosize minimizes data
truncation, wrap eliminates it

Format-Wide – Default 2 Columns

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem | Format-Wide
```

```
Directory: C:\
```

```
[PerfLogs]
```

```
[Program Files (x86)]
```

```
[Users]
```

```
[Program Files]
```

```
[PShell]
```

```
[Windows]
```

Output displayed in 2
columns by default

Format-Wide – Explicit Number of Columns

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem | Format-Wide -Column 3
```

Directory: C:\

[PerfLogs]	[Program Files]	[Program Files (x86)]
[PShell]	[Users]	[Windows]

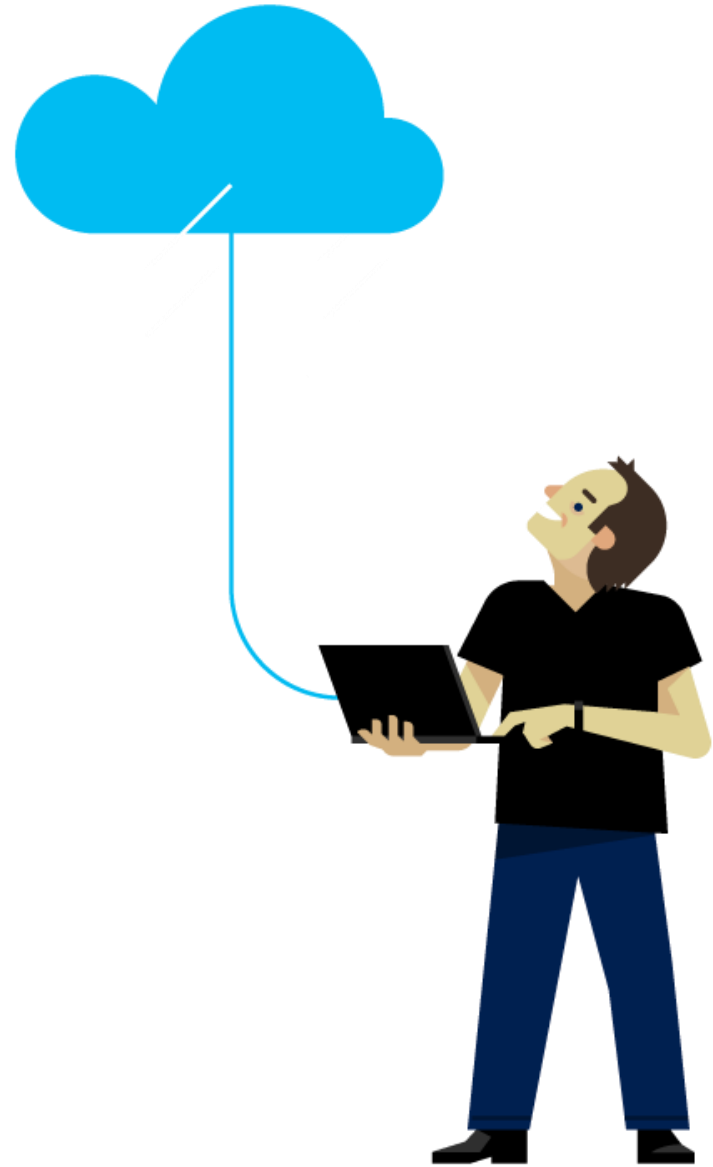
Output displayed in 3
columns

Demonstration

Format Cmdlets



Questions?



Export and Import Cmdlets

Export Cmdlets

- Export objects to text file
- Provides structured information which can be imported
- Should be last cmdlet on the pipeline

Export-Csv

- Key Properties:
 - -Path
 - -Delimiter
 - -UseCulture

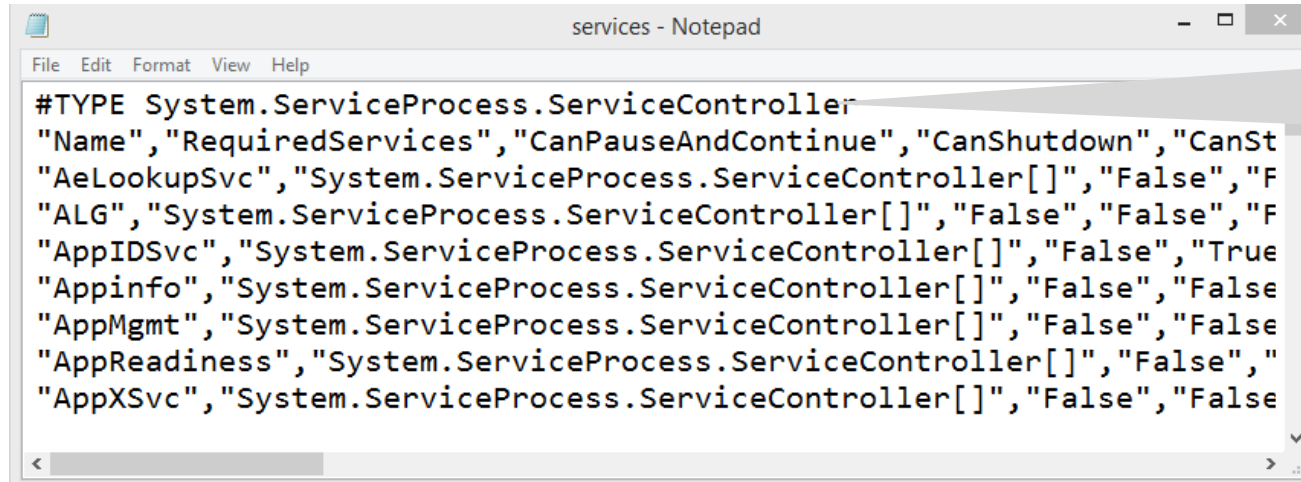
Export-CliXml

- Key Properties
 - -Path
 - -Depth

Export-CSV

```
PS C:\> Get-Service | Export-Csv c:\services.csv
```

```
PS C:\> notepad.exe c:\services.csv
```



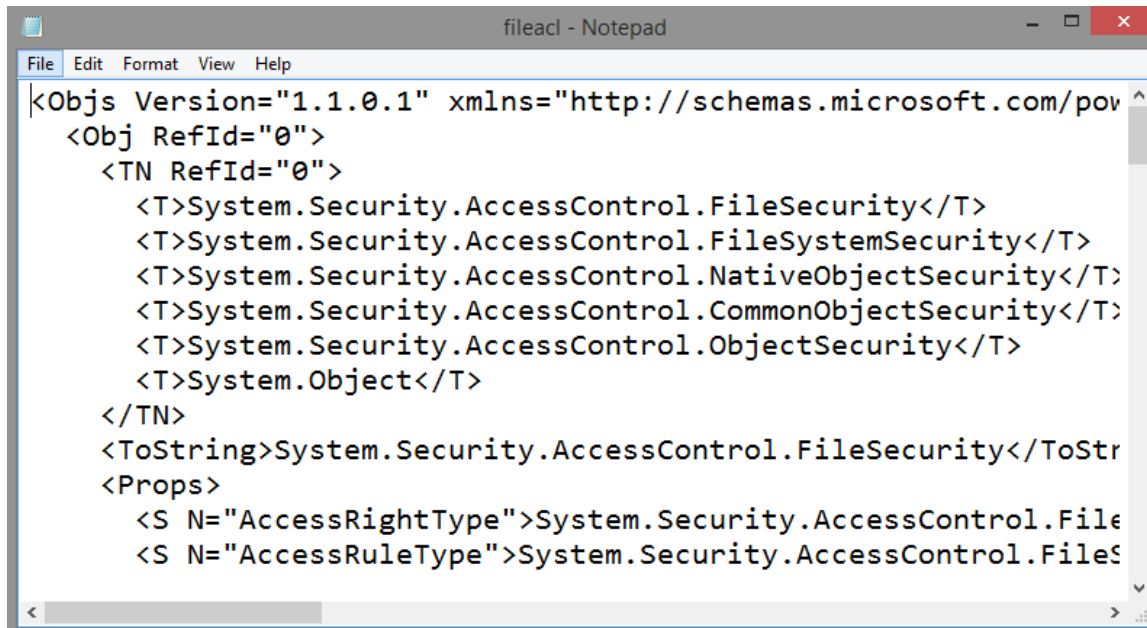
```
services - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
#TYPE System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController
"Name","RequiredServices","CanPauseAndContinue","CanShutdown","CanSt
"AeLookupSvc","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","F
"ALG","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","False","F
"AppIDSvc","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","True
"Appinfo","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","False
"AppMgmt","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","False
"AppReadiness","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","
"AppXSvc","System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[]","False","False
```

-NoTypeInfoInformation
parameter avoids this as
1st line

Export-Clixml

```
PS C:\> get-ac1 C:\Process.txt -Audit |  
Export-Clixml -Path fileac1.xml
```

```
PS C:\> notepad .\fileac1.xml
```



```
fileac1 - Notepad  
File Edit Format View Help  
<?xml Version="1.1.0.1" xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/pov" >  
  <Obj RefId="0">  
    <TN RefId="0">  
      <T>System.Security.AccessControl.FileSecurity</T>  
      <T>System.Security.AccessControl.FileSystemSecurity</T>  
      <T>System.Security.AccessControl.NativeObjectSecurity</T>  
      <T>System.Security.AccessControl.CommonObjectSecurity</T>  
      <T>System.Security.AccessControl.ObjectSecurity</T>  
      <T>System.Object</T>  
    </TN>  
    <ToString>System.Security.AccessControl.FileSecurity</ToStr>  
    <Props>  
      <S N="AccessRightType">System.Security.AccessControl.File  
      <S N="AccessRuleType">System.Security.AccessControl.Files
```

Import Cmdlets

- Imports objects from text file
- Should be first cmdlet on the pipeline

Import-Csv

- Key Properties:
- -Path
- -Delimiter
- -UseCulture

Import-CliXml

- Key Properties
- -Path

Import-Csv

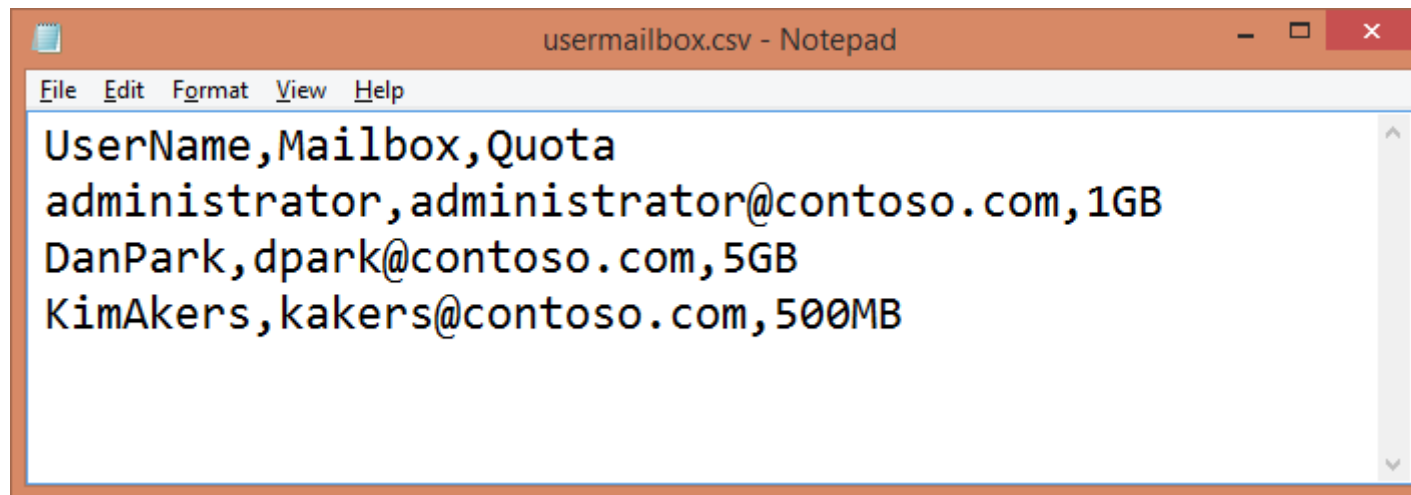
```
PS C:\> Import-Csv C:\usermailbox.csv | select-object mailbox
```

Mailbox

administrator@contoso.com

dpark@contoso.com

kakers@contoso.com



Import-CliXml

```
PS C:\> Import-Clixml -Path 'C:\temp\1.xml'  
tekst
```

Handles	NPM(K)	PM(K)	WS(K)	CPU(s)	Id	S
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	--	-
811	44	31340	68712	4,53	9452	2

C:\temp\1.xml

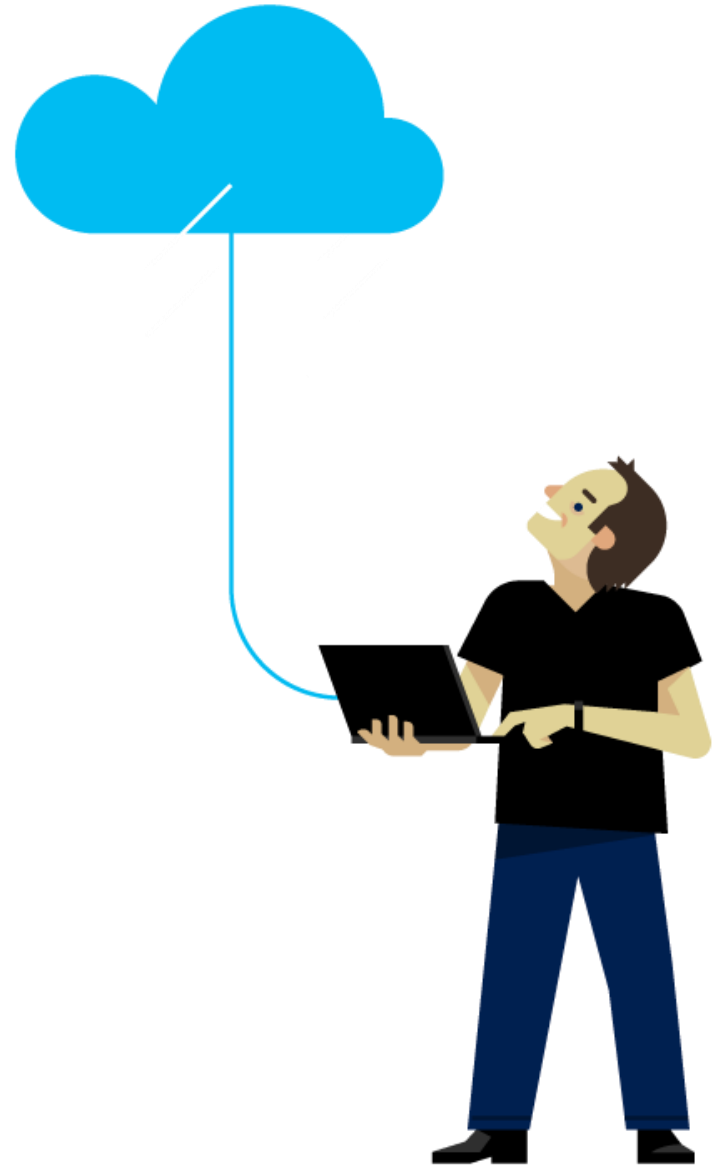
```
<?xml version="1.0"?>  
- <Objs xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/powershell/2004/04" Version="1.1.0.1">  
  <S>tekst</S>  
  - <Obj RefId="0">  
    - <TN RefId="0">  
      <T>System.Diagnostics.Process</T>  
      <T>System.ComponentModel.Component</T>  
      <T>System.MarshalByRefObject</T>  
      <T>System.Object</T>  
    </TN>  
    <ToString>System.Diagnostics.Process (ApplicationFrameHost)</ToString>  
  - <Props>  
    <I32 N="BasePriority">8</I32>
```


Demonstration

Import and Export cmdlets



Questions?



Out Cmdlets

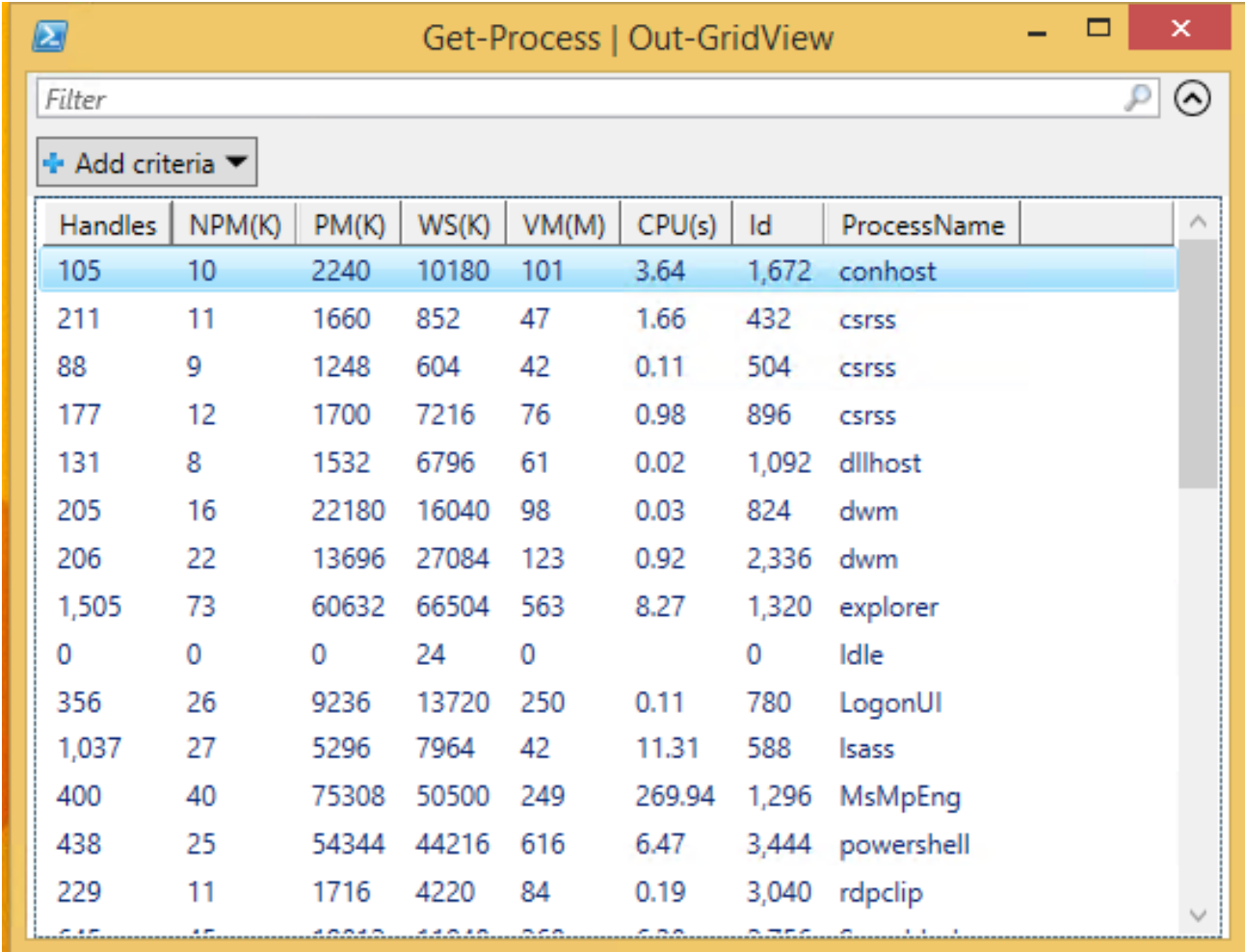
Out Cmdlets

Sends command output to a specified device

Name	Description
Out-Default	Sends output to default formatter and to default output cmdlet (Out-Host)
Out-File	Sends output to a file Append switch parameter Encoding parameter allows control of the character encoding
Out-GridView	Sends output to an interactive table in a separate GUI
Out-Host	Default Sends output to PowerShell host Paging switch parameter displays one page at a time
Out-Null	Deletes output instead of sending it down the pipeline
Out-Printer	Sends output to a printer
Out-String	Sends objects to the host as a series of strings

Out-Gridview

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Out-GridView
```



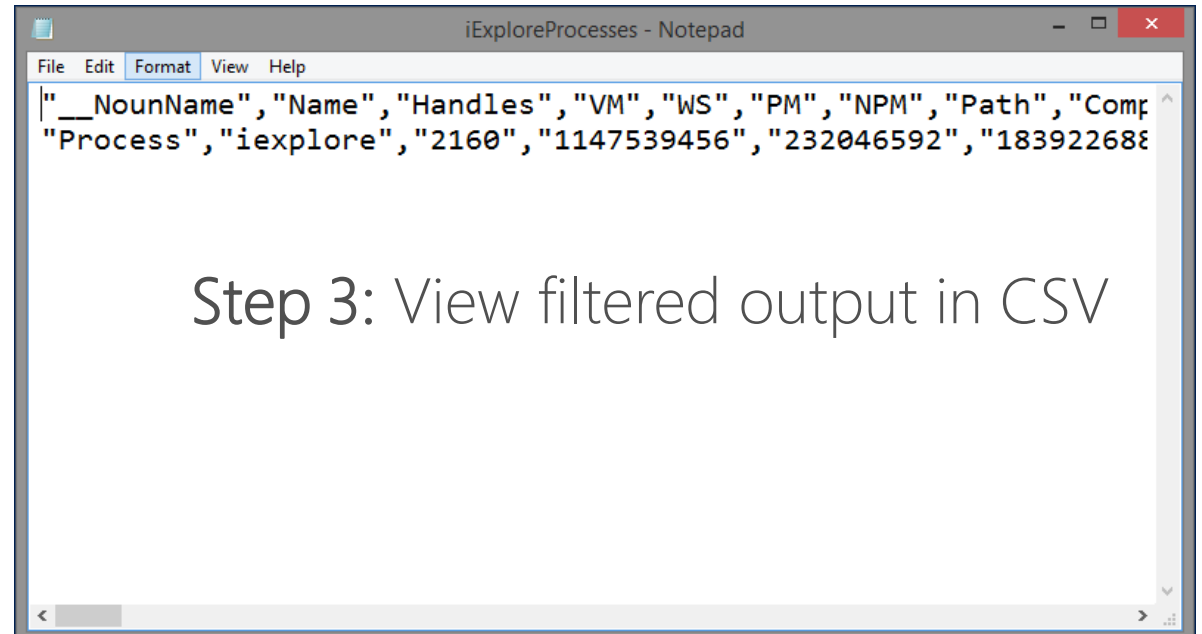
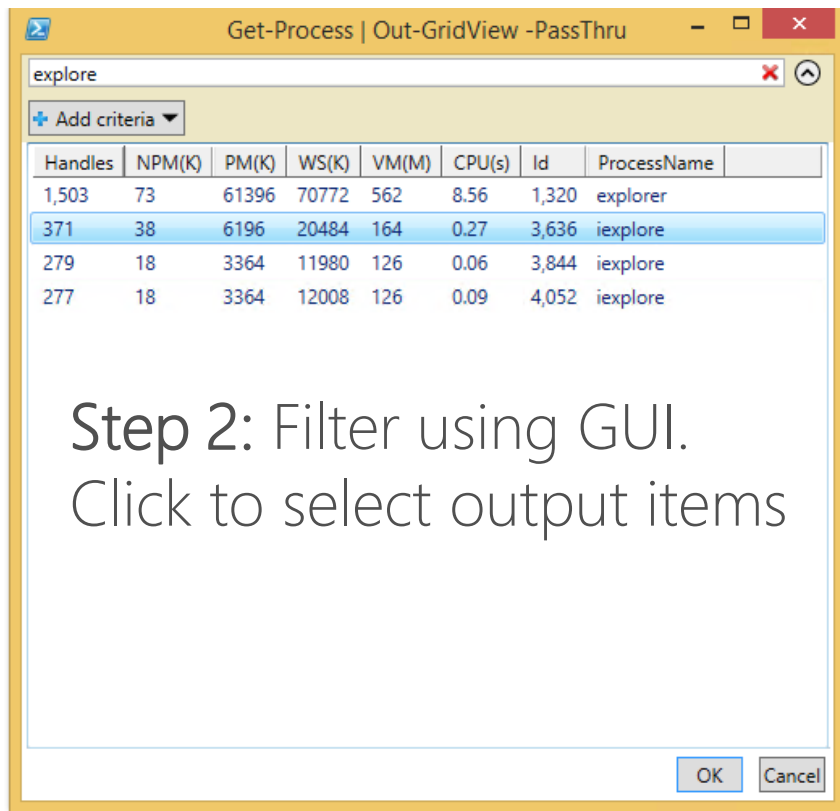
The screenshot shows a Windows application window titled "Get-Process | Out-GridView". It features a search bar at the top labeled "Filter" with a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar is a button labeled "+ Add criteria" with a dropdown arrow. The main area contains a table with process information. The table has columns for Handles, NPM(K), PM(K), WS(K), VM(M), CPU(s), Id, and ProcessName. The first row is highlighted in blue and shows the 'conhost' process. Other visible processes include csrss, dllhost, dwm, explorer, Idle, LogonUI, lsass, MsMpEng, powershell, and rdpclip. A vertical scrollbar is on the right side of the table.

Handles	NPM(K)	PM(K)	WS(K)	VM(M)	CPU(s)	Id	ProcessName
105	10	2240	10180	101	3.64	1,672	conhost
211	11	1660	852	47	1.66	432	csrss
88	9	1248	604	42	0.11	504	csrss
177	12	1700	7216	76	0.98	896	csrss
131	8	1532	6796	61	0.02	1,092	dllhost
205	16	22180	16040	98	0.03	824	dwm
206	22	13696	27084	123	0.92	2,336	dwm
1,505	73	60632	66504	563	8.27	1,320	explorer
0	0	0	24	0		0	Idle
356	26	9236	13720	250	0.11	780	LogonUI
1,037	27	5296	7964	42	11.31	588	lsass
400	40	75308	50500	249	269.94	1,296	MsMpEng
438	25	54344	44216	616	6.47	3,444	powershell
229	11	1716	4220	84	0.19	3,040	rdpclip

Out-Gridview with PassThru

Step 1: Send Get-Process output to Out-GridView with PassThru switch parameter, followed by export to CSV

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Out-GridView -PassThru |  
Export-Csv c:\scripts\iExploreProcesses.csv -NoTypeInfoation
```

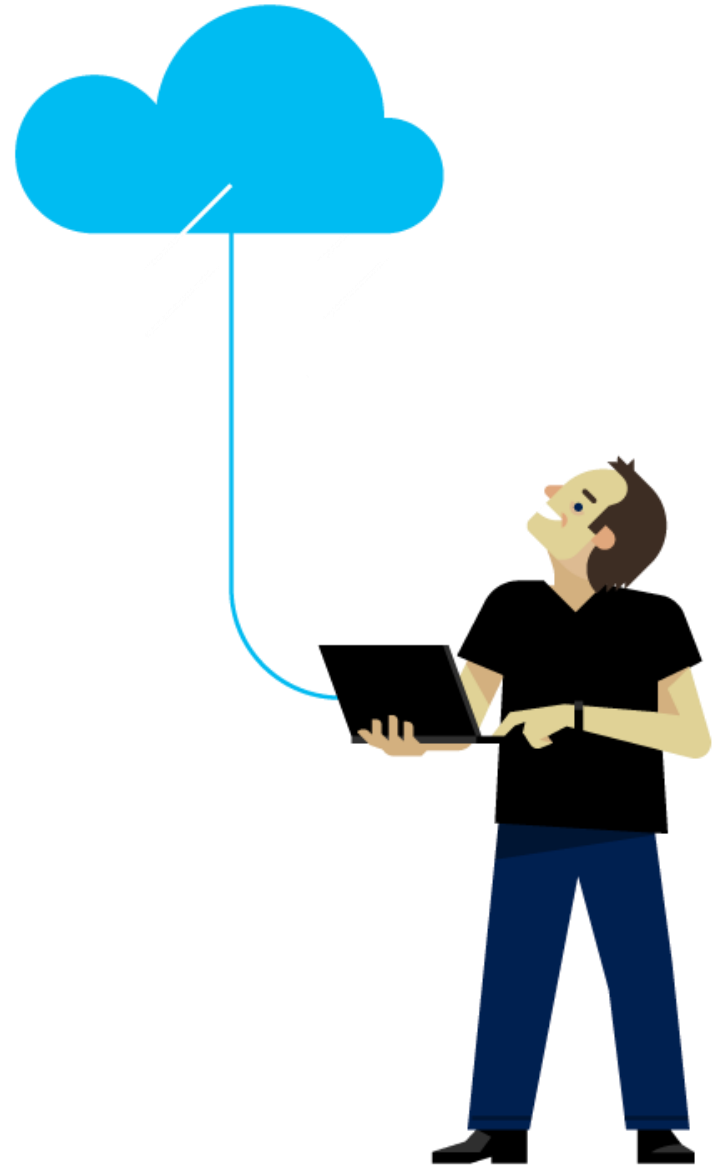


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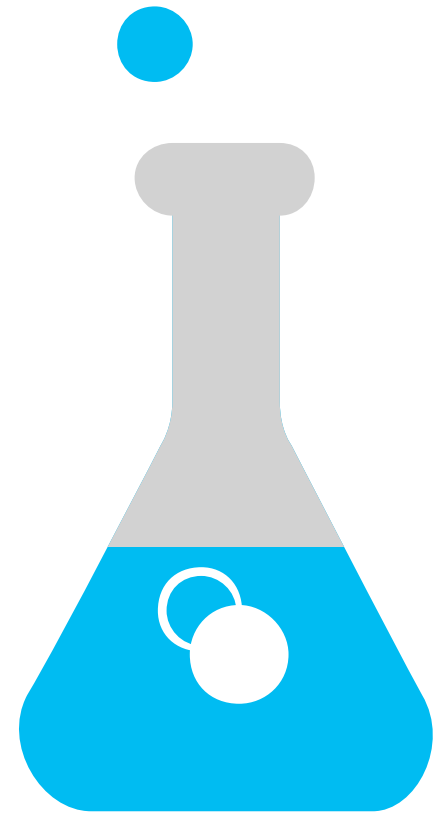
Out-* Cmdlets



Questions?



Understanding the Windows PowerShell Pipeline



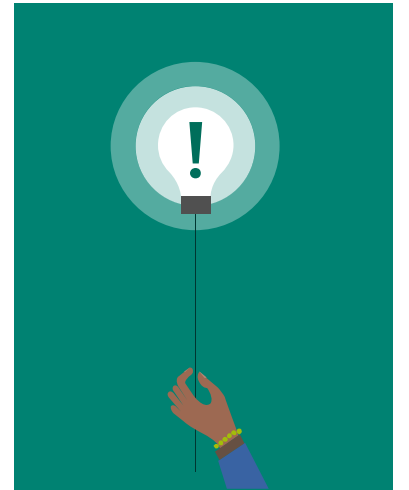
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Working with Pipelining

Objectives

After completing Working with Pipelining, you will be able to:

- Work with advanced Pipeline objects



Pipeline Variable

Pipeline Variables

- When multiple objects are piped, PowerShell sends objects one at a time
- Built-in variables `$_` and `$PSItem` represent current object on pipeline
- Used to perform an action on every object
- Use `-PipelineVariable` parameter to name your own variable on the pipeline
- Scoped only to current pipeline

Pipeline Variables - Examples

Default Pipeline variables:

Both lines produce the same result

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | Where-Object {$psitem.ws -gt 100MB}
PS C:\> Get-Process | Where-Object {$_.ws -gt 100MB}
```

User defined variables:

Storing cmdlet output in a user-defined

```
PS C:\> Get-Process -PipelineVariable CurrentProcess |
Where-Object {$CurrentProcess.ws -gt 100MB}
```

Demonstration

Pipeline Variables



More Object Cmdlets

Other Object Cmdlets

Cmdlet	Usecase
ForEach-Object	<p>Performs an operation against each item.</p> <p>Aliases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• %• ForEach
Where-Object	<p>Filters objects in the pipeline</p> <p>Aliases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ?• Where

ForEach-Object

Take an action on each object

```
PS C:\> Get-Service net* | ForEach-Object -process  
{"Hello " + $_.Name}
```

```
Hello Netlogon
```

```
Hello Netman
```

```
Hello netprofm
```

```
Hello NetTcpPortSharing
```

Pipeline Filtering With Where-Object

```
Get-ChildItem -path c:\windows -filter *.ini |`  
  where-object -filterscript {$_.length -lt 10kb} |`  
  Sort-Object -property Length |`  
  Format-Table -property name, length
```

Get-ChildItem -path c:\windows -filter *.ini

(FileInfo)
(*.ini)

Where-Object {\$_.length -lt 10kb}

(FileInfo)
(*.ini)
(Length < 10240)

Sort-Object -property Length

(FileInfo)
(*.ini)
(Length < 10240)
(Sorted by length)

Format-Table -property name,
length

(FileInfo)
(*.ini)
(Length < 10240)
(Sorted by length)
(Formatted in table)

Where-Object (Simple syntax)

- Simplified filtering syntax
- Syntax emulates natural language
- PowerShell v3.0+
- Note: Multiple filter conditions need full syntax

PowerShell v1.0+

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem | where-Object { $_.Length -gt 1MB }  
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem | where-Object { $_.PSIsContainer }  
PS C:\> Get-Service | where-Object { $_.Status -eq "Running" -and $_.CanShutdown }
```

PowerShell v3.0+ (Single comparison operator only)

```
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem | where-Object Length -gt 1MB  
PS C:\> Get-ChildItem | where PSIsContainer  
PS C:\> Get-Service | where Status -eq Running
```

No compound
conditions with
simplified syntax

Filtering With Parameters vs. Where-Object

Filter output with Where-Object (~11 milliseconds)

```
PS C:\> Get-Process | where-Object {$_.Name -match "net"}
```

VS.

Filter output with parameters (~4 milliseconds)

```
PS C:\> Get-Process -Name *net*
```

```
PS C:\> Get-ADUser -Filter * -Properties Surname | ?{$_.Surname -eq "Snover"}
```

Grab All Users as Objects and Perform Filtering (3.8k Users) ~2300 milliseconds

VS.

Filtering occurs on DC and matching objects are returned. (1 user) ~10 milliseconds

```
PS C:\> Get-ADUser -Filter {Surname -eq "Snover" }
```

3.8k Users

Domain
Controller

PowerShell Proverb: If a Cmdlet has a -Filter there's a reason.

Automatic Member Enumeration

Retrieve single property from collection without using ForEach-Object

Single level

```
PS C:\> (Get-Process).ID  
4300  
8844  
8812
```

Doesn't work in PowerShell
v1.0 and v2.0

Multiple levels deep

```
PS C:\> (Get-EventLog -Log System).TimeWritten.DayOfWeek |  
>> Group-Object
```

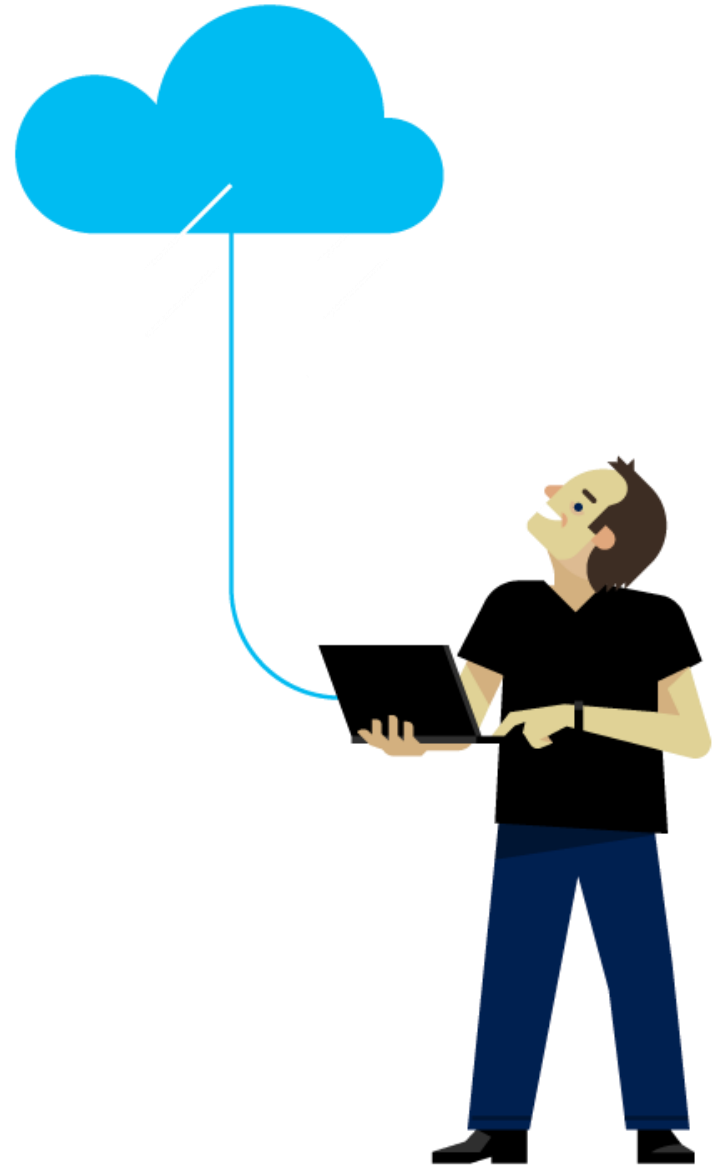
Count	Name	Group
4174	Tuesday	{Tuesday, Tuesday, Tuesday...}
4349	Monday	{Monday, Monday, Monday...}

Demonstration

Foreach-Object and Where-Object



Questions?



Begin, Process and End Blocks

Foreach-Object - Anatomy

- Begin Block
 - Statements executed once, before first pipeline object
- Process Block
 - Statements executed for each pipeline object delivered
 - If called outside a pipeline context, block is executed exactly once
 - Default if unnamed
- End block
 - Statements executed once, after last pipeline object

Foreach-Object -Process Parameter

ForEach-Object often used with positional parameter in simple scenario

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Application -Newest 5 |  
ForEach-Object {$_.Message | Out-File -FilePath Events.txt -  
Append}
```

Position 1 is -Process
Parameter

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Application -Newest 5 |  
ForEach-Object -Process {$_.Message | Out-File Events.txt -  
Append}
```

Parameter can be named

Begin, Process and End Parameters

ForEach-Object cmdlet supports Begin, Process, and End Parameters

Begin block → run once before any items are processed

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Application -Newest 5 |  
ForEach-Object  
-Begin {Remove-Item .\Events.txt; Write-Host "Start" -ForegroundColor Red}  
-Process {$_.Message | Out-File -FilePath Events.txt -Append}  
-End {Write-Host "End" -ForegroundColor Green; notepad.exe Events.txt}
```

Begin, Process and End Parameters

ForEach-Object cmdlet supports Begin, Process, and End Parameters

Process block → run for each object on pipeline

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Application -Newest 5 |  
ForEach-Object  
-Begin {Remove-Item .\Events.txt; Write-Host "Start" -ForegroundColor Red}  
-Process {$_.Message | Out-File -Filepath Events.txt -Append}  
-End {Write-Host "End" -ForegroundColor Green; notepad.exe Events.txt}
```

Begin, Process and End Parameters

ForEach-Object cmdlet supports Begin, Process, and End Parameters

End block → run once after all items have been processed

```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Application -Newest 5 |  
ForEach-Object  
-Begin {Remove-Item .\Events.txt; Write-Host "Start" -ForegroundColor Red}  
-Process {$_.Message | Out-File -Filepath Events.txt -Append}  
-End {Write-Host "End" -ForegroundColor Green; notepad.exe Events.txt}
```

Named Blocks in Functions/ScriptBlocks

- Statements can be in an unnamed block or in one or more named blocks
- Allows custom processing of collections coming from pipelines
- Can be defined in any order
- Use the Begin / Process / End blocks

Named Blocks

```
function My-Function
{
    Begin
    {
        Remove-Item .\Events.txt
        Write-Host "Start" -ForegroundColor Red
    }
    Process
    {
        $_.Message | Out-File -Filepath Events.txt -Append
    }
    End
    {
        Write-Host "End" -ForegroundColor Green
        notepad.exe Events.txt
    }
}
```

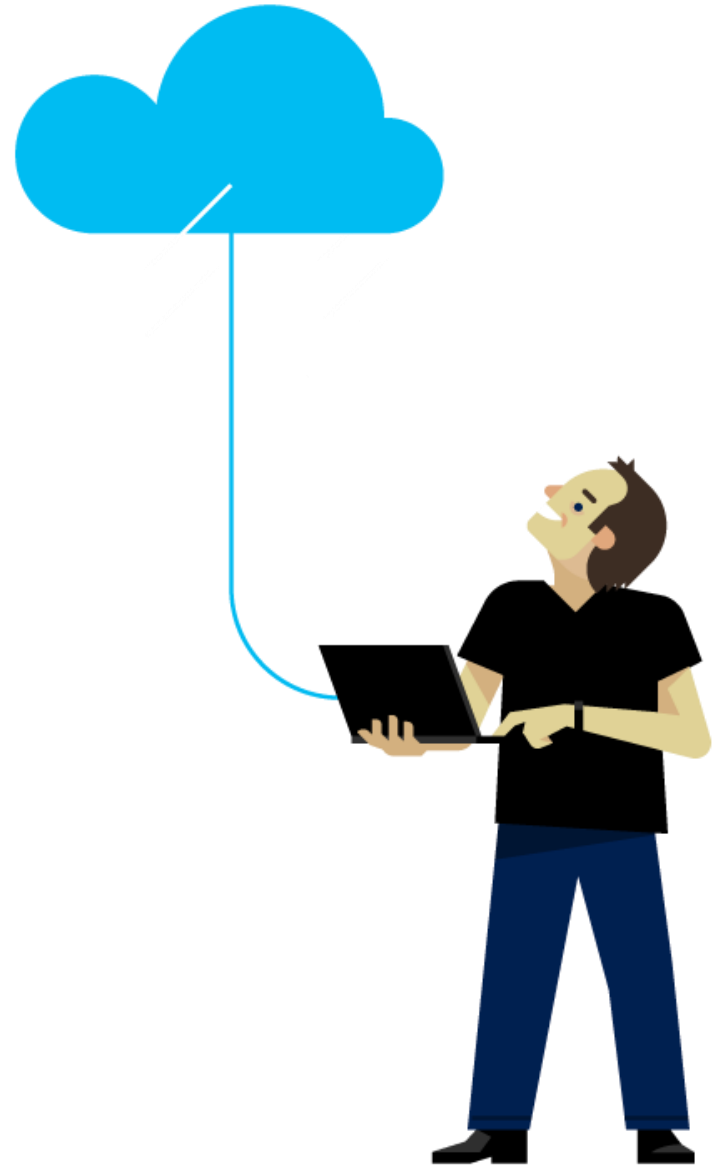
```
PS C:\> Get-EventLog -LogName Application -Newest 5 | My-Function
```


Demonstration

Begin Process End



Questions?



Two ways to accept pipeline
input

Methods Of Accepting Parameter Pipeline Input

Cmdlet parameters can accept pipeline input in one of two ways:

- ByValue (Object Data Type)
- ByPropertyName (Object Property Name)

Cmdlet parameters may accept pipelined objects by value, by property name or both.

Does a Parameter Accept Pipeline Input?

```
PS C:\> Get-Help Restart-Computer -Parameter  
ComputerName
```

```
-ComputerName <String[]>
```

Specifies one or more remote computers. The ...

Required?	false
Position?	1
Default value	Local computer
Accept pipeline input?	True (ByValue, ByPropertyName)
Accept wildcard characters?	false

Pipeline Input ByVal

For parameters that accept pipeline input ByVal, piped **objects** will bind:

- To a parameter of the same TYPE
- To a parameter that can be converted to the same TYPE

Pipeline Input ByValue

Restart-Computer ComputerName Parameter

```
PS C:\> Get-Help Restart-Computer -Parameter ComputerName
```

-ComputerName <String[]>

Specifies one or more remote computers. The default is ...

Required? false

Position? 1

Default value Local computer

Accept pipeline input? True (ByValue, ByPropertyName)

Accept wildcard characters? false

Pipe Computer names (strings) to Restart-Computer

```
PS C:\> 'MS', 'DC' | Restart-Computer -WhatIf
```

what if: Performing the operation "Restart the computer." on target "MS".

what if: Performing the operation "Restart the computer." on target "DC".

Pipeline Input ByPropertyName

For parameters that accept pipeline input ByPropertyName, piped objects **properties** will bind:

- To parameter(s) of the same name

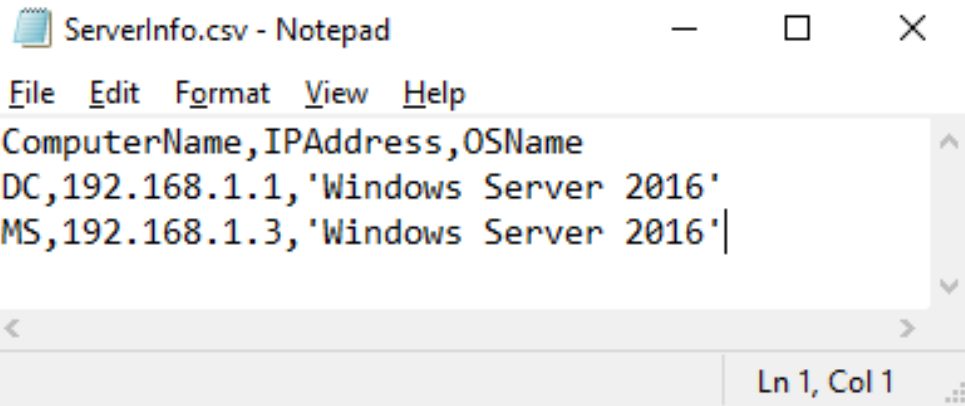
Pipeline Input ByProperty

Restart-Computer ComputerName Parameter

```
PS C:\> Get-Help Restart-Computer -Parameter ComputerName
```

ComputerName <String[]>

Specifies one or more remote computers. The default is ...



```
ServerInfo.csv - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
ComputerName,IPAddress,OSName
DC,192.168.1.1,'Windows Server 2016'
MS,192.168.1.3,'Windows Server 2016'
Ln 1, Col 1
```

false

1

Local computer

True (ByValue,

s? false

ByPropertyName)

```
PS C:\> Import-Csv .\ServerInfo.csv | Restart-Computer -whatIf
```

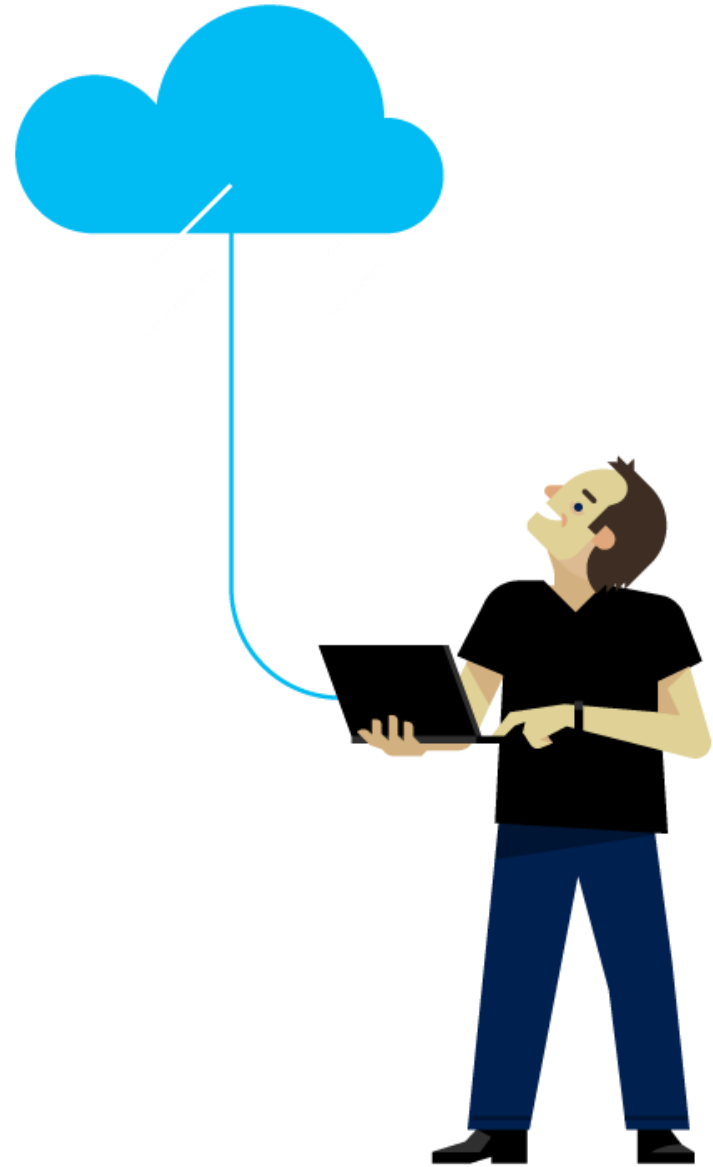
What if: Performing the operation "Restart the computer." on target "DC".

What if: Performing the operation "Restart the computer." on target "MS".

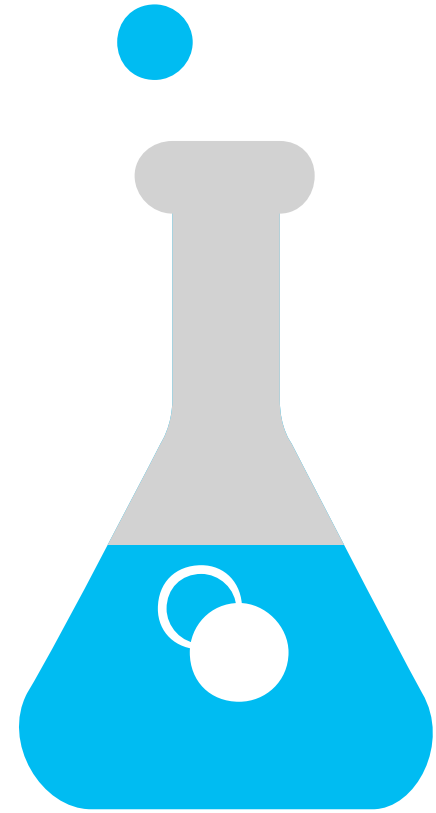
The Parameter Binding Steps

1. Bind all named parameters
2. Bind all positional parameters
3. Bind from the pipeline **by value** with exact match
4. Bind from the pipeline **by value** with conversion
5. Bind from the pipeline **by name** with exact type match
6. Bind from the pipeline **by name** with type conversion

Questions?



Working With Pipelining



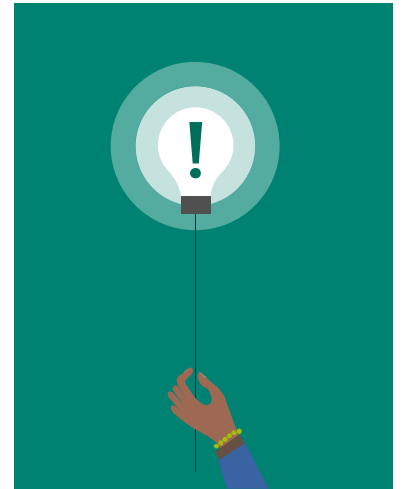
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Different types of Operators

Objectives

After completing Different types of Operators, you will be able to:

- Work with advanced operators
- Work with text objects and manipulate them



Arithmetic Operators

Arithmetic Operators

- Arithmetic operators are mathematical functions that takes two operands and performs a calculation on them
- Arithmetic Operators work with more than only integer types

Arithmetic Operators

Operator	Description	Example(s)	Result(s)
+	Adds integers; concatenates strings, arrays, and hash tables	6 + 2 "file" + "name"	8 filename
-	Subtracts values	6 - 2	4
-	Indicates negative value	-6 + 2	-4
*	Multiplies integers; copies strings and arrays	6 * 2 "ABC" * 3	12 ABCABCABC
/	Divides values	6/2	3
%	Returns remainder of division (modulus)	7%2	1
-shl	Shift-left bitwise	100 -shl 2	400
-shr	Shift-right bitwise	100 -shr 1	50

100 in binary is 1100100
-shl shifts digits n chars left
400 in binary is 110010000

100 in binary is 1100100
-shr shifts digits n chars right
50 in binary is 110010

Rounding Integers

Integers get rounded to the closest whole number

If the value starts with 0.5 rounding happens to the nearest even number by default

Additional rounding options available if needed

```
PS C:\>[int](5/2)
2
PS C:\>[int](7/2)
4
```

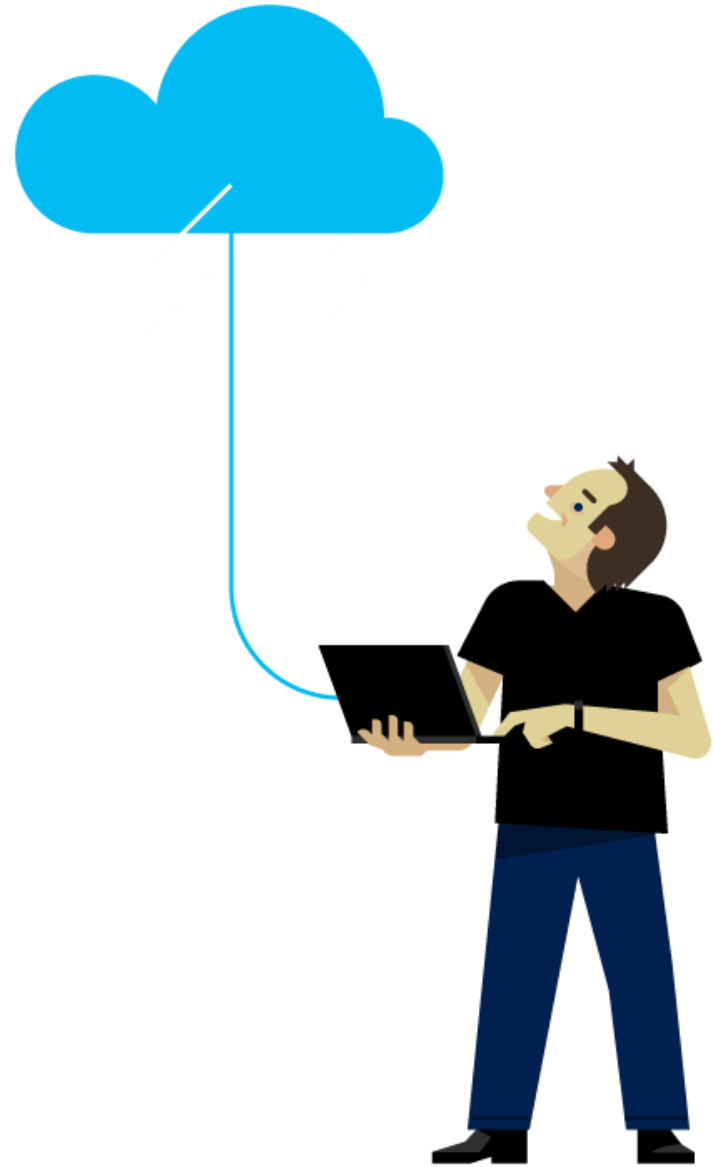
```
PS C:\>[int](12.5)
12
PS C:\>[int](13.5)
14
```

Demonstration

Arithmetic Operators



Questions?



Assignment Operators

Assignment Operators

- An assignment operator assigns a value to its left operand based on the value of its right operand.

Assignment Operators

Operator	Description	Example(s)
=	Sets variable	<code>\$integer = 100</code>
+=	Increases variable	<code>\$integer += 1</code>
-=	Decreases variable	<code>\$integer -= 1</code>
*=	Multiplies variable	<code>\$integer *= 2</code>
/=	Divides variable	<code>\$integer /= 2</code>
%=	Divides variable and assigns remainder to variable	<code>\$integer %= 3</code>
++	Unary Operator. Increases variable by 1	<code>\$integer++</code>
--	Unary Operator. Decreases variable by 1	<code>\$integer--</code>

All produce same
result

```
$integer = $integer + 1
$integer += 1
$integer++
```

Unary Operators Pre And Post Processing

Pre processing will increment the value before being used

Post processing will only increment the value after being used

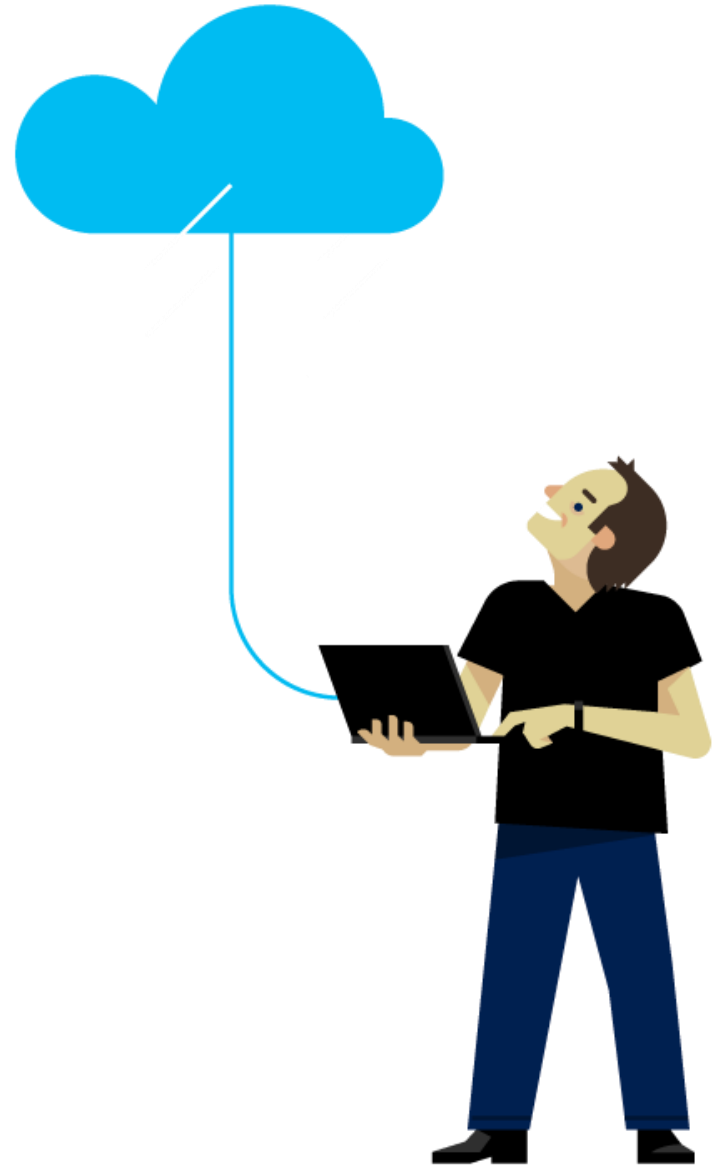
```
PS C:\> $1 = 5
PS C:\> $1
5
PS C:\> write-output -InputObject (++$1)
6
PS C:\> write-output -InputObject ($1++)
6
PS C:\> $1
7
```


Demonstration

Assignment Operators



Questions?



Binary Operators

Bitwise Operators

- Bitwise operators act on the binary format of a value at the level of their individual bits.
- Can be used to calculate if a bit is set. (Example User-account-control in AD)

Bitwise Operators

Operator	Description	Example(s)	Binary Format
-bAnd	Bitwise AND	10 -band 3	1010 (10) 0011 (3) ----- bAND 0010 (2)
-bOr	Bitwise OR (inclusive)	10 -bor 3	1010 (10) 0011 (3) ----- bOR 1011 (11)
-bXor	Bitwise OR (exclusive)	10 -bxor 3	1010 (10) 0011 (3) ----- bXOR 1001 (9)
-bNot	Bitwise NOT	-bnot 10	0000 1010 (10) ----- bNOT 1111 0101 (-11)

Split, Join and replace Operators

Split, Join, and Replace Operators

- The Split, Join, and Replace operators are used to manipulate text strings

Split Operator

Description	Example(s)
<p>Unary split operator: -split <string></p> <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Example splits on space as delimiter• Only splits the first string	<pre>PS C:\> -split "1 a b" 1 a b</pre>
<p>Binary split operator: <string> -split <delimiter></p> <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Example splits on comma as delimiter	<pre>PS C:\> "1,a b" -split "," 1 a b</pre>

The binary -Split operator uses a Regular Expression for the delimiter

Join Operator

Description	Example(s)
Unary join operator: -join <string[]>	<pre>PS C:\> -join ("a", "b", "c") abc</pre>
Binary join operator: String[]> - Join<Delimiter>	<pre>PS C:\> "Windows", "PowerShell", "4.0" -join [char]2 WindowsℳPowerShellℳ4.0 PS C:\> "How", "are", "you", "doing?" -join " " How are you doing?</pre>

Replace Operator

Description	Example(s)
Binary replace operator: <String[]> -Replace <Delimiter>	<pre>PS C:\> "Windows PowerShell 4.0" -replace "4.0", "5.0" Windows PowerShell 5.0</pre>

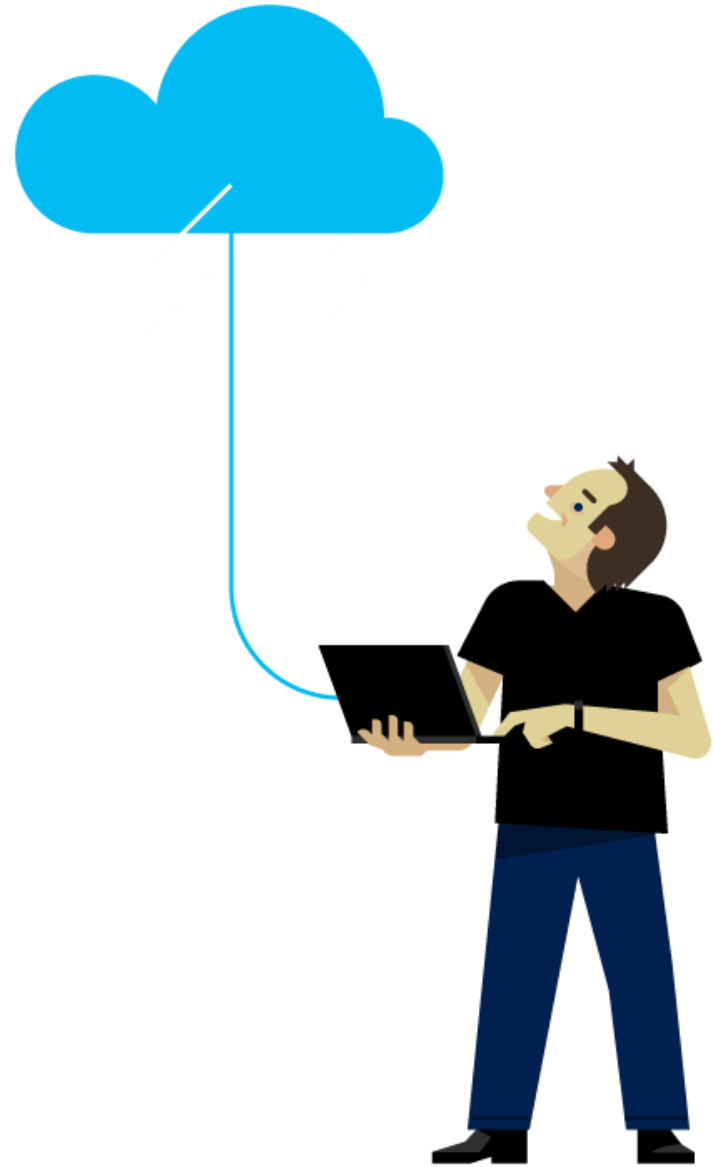
The -Replace operator uses a Regular Expression for the delimiter

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-Split , -Join and -Replace



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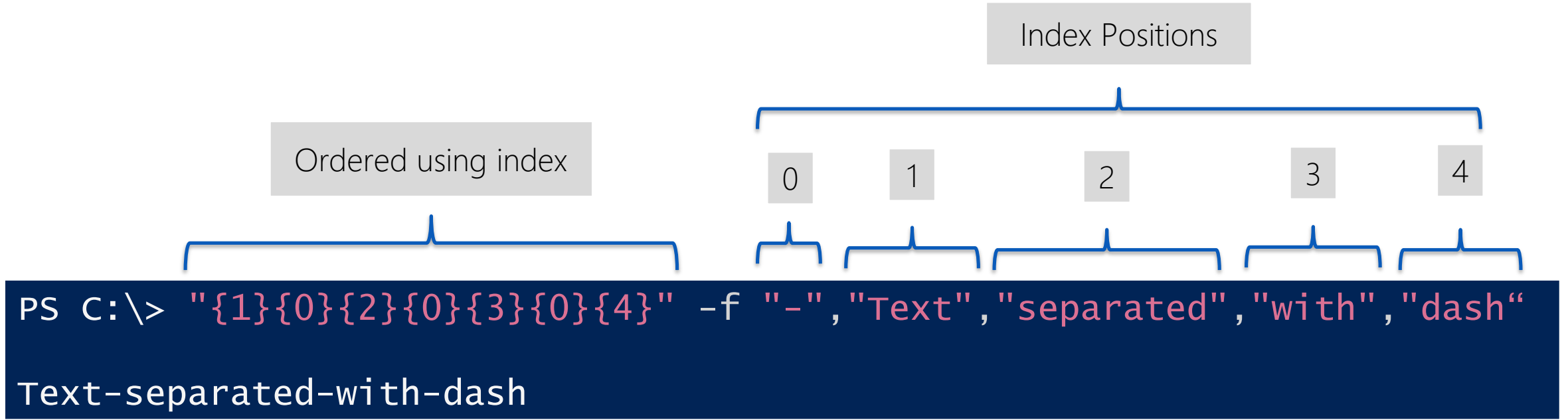


Format Operator

Format Operator (-f)

- Formats strings by using the format method of string objects
- Format string on the left side of the operator
- Objects to be formatted on the right side of the operator
- Format specifiers enable the value to take multiple forms

Format Operator – Index



{ index[,alignment][:formatString] } -f "string(s)" , "to be formatted"

Format Operator – Variations

```
PS C:\> $MyArray = 'Smith','John',123.456
```

```
PS C:\> "Custom Text" -f $MyArray  
Custom Text
```

```
PS C:\> "First name is: {1} Last name is: {0}" -f $MyArray  
First name is: John Last name is: Smith
```

```
PS C:\> "{2}" -f $MyArray  
123.456
```

```
PS C:\> "Using a Format Specifier {2:N1}" -f $MyArray  
Using a Format Specifier 123.5
```


Format Operator – Alignment

Forced Width
(negative-left justified, positive-right justified)

```
PS C:\> "{1}{0,5}{2}" -f "-", "Text", "separated", "with", "dash"
```

```
Text      -separated
```

{ index[,alignment] [:formatString] } -f "string(s)" , "to be formatted"

Format Operator – FormatString

Format as percentage

```
PS C:\> "{0:p} {1:p} {2:p}" -f 0.3,0.56,0.99
```

```
30.00% 56.00% 99.00%
```

{ index[,alignment] [:formatString] } -f "string(s)" , "to be formatted"

Format Operator – FormatString Cont.

Round number to 2 decimal places

```
PS C:\> "{0:n2}" -f 3.1415926
```

```
3.14
```

{ index[,alignment] [:formatString] } -f "string(s)" , "to be formatted"

List of Valid Format Strings

Conversions:

Format use	Explanation
:c	Currency format (for the current culture)
:d	Decimal. leading zeroes are added to the beginning of the number if needed.
:e	Scientific (exp) notation
:f	Fixed point :f5 = fix to 5 places
:g	Most compact format, fixed or sci :g5 = 5 significant digits
:n	Number, includes culture separator for thousands 1,000.00
:p	Percentage
:r	Reversible Precision
:x	Hex format

Date / Time:

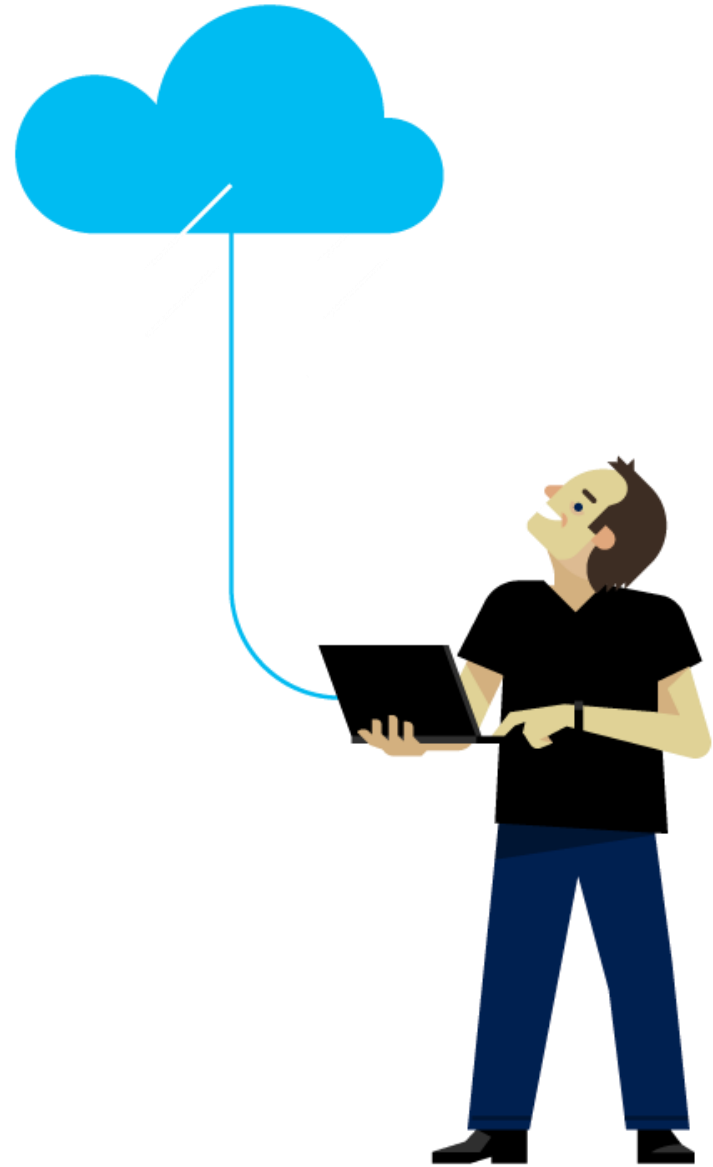
Format use	Explanation
:hh :mm :ss	Convert a DateTime to a 2 digit Hour/minute/second "{0:hh}:{0:mm}"
:HH	Hour in 24 Hour format
:dd	Day of Month
:MM	Month of year
:ddd	Convert a DateTime to Day of the Week
:dddd	Full name of Day of Week
:yyyy	Full year
#	Digit Place Holder

Demonstration

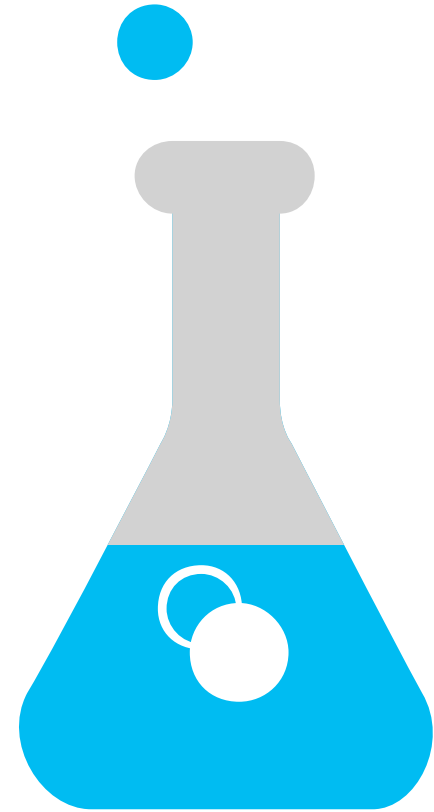
Formatting With -f



Questions?



Operator Types



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