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# MZ2POL-00: SDK Management Zone Analysis Tool

> **Series:** MZ2POL | **Notebook:** 1 of 8 | **Created:** December 2025

> **Purpose:** Query Management Zone configurations via the Dynatrace SDK,
analyze entity assignments, and assess security context coverage to support
migration planning.

## What This Notebook Does

1. **Export all MZ configurations** – Get all MZ rules in a flat table format
via Settings API
2. **Analyze MZ rule patterns** – Understand what types of rules are in use
3. **Check entity security context coverage** – Find entities missing
`dt.security_context`
4. **Identify most-used MZs** – Prioritize migration based on usage
5. **Find tag patterns** – Discover common tag structures for segment
creation
6. **Kubernetes namespace analysis** – K8s namespaces for segment variables
7. **Host group analysis** – Host groups for vertical MZ migration
8. **Migration readiness summary** – Combined view of readiness indicators

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## 1. Export All Management Zone Configurations

This TypeScript function queries all MZs via the Settings API and flattens
their rules into an analyzable table.

```python
import { settingsObjectsClient } from "@dynatrace-sdk/client-classic-
environment-v2";

// Type definitions
interface MzAttributeRuleCondition {
  key: string;
  operator: string;
  tag?: string;
  stringValue?: string;
  caseSensitive?: boolean;
}

interface MzAttributeRule {
  entityType: string;
  serviceToHostPropagation?: boolean;
  serviceToPGPropagation?: boolean;
  conditions?: MzAttributeRuleCondition[];
}

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}

interface MzRule {
  enabled: boolean;
  type: string;
  entitySelector?: string;
  attributeRule: MzAttributeRule[];
}

interface MzDefinition {
  name: string;
  description?: string;
  rules: MzRule[];
}

// Fetch all MZs with pagination
async function getAllMzs(nextPageKey?: string, mzList: MzDefinition[] = []):
Promise {
  const config: any = nextPageKey
    ? { nextPageKey }
    : { schemaIds: "builtin:management-zones", pageSize: 100, fields:
"objectId,value" };

  const resp = await settingsObjectsClient.getSettingsObjects(config);
  mzList.push(...resp.items.map(elem => elem.value as MzDefinition));

  return resp.nextPageKey ? getAllMzs(resp.nextPageKey, mzList) : mzList;
}

// Flatten rules into records
function flattenRules(mzList: MzDefinition[]): any[] {
  const records: any[] = [];

  mzList.forEach(mz => {
    mz.rules?.forEach(rule => {
      if (rule.attributeRule) {
        const attr = rule.attributeRule;
        const base = {
          mzName: mz.name,
          description: mz.description || "",
          ruleType: rule.type,
          ruleEnabled: rule.enabled,
          entityType: attr.entityType || "",
          propagateToHost: attr.serviceToHostPropagation || false,
          propagateToPG: attr.serviceToPGPropagation || false
        };

        if (attr.conditions?.length) {
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        attr.conditions.forEach(c => {
          records.push({
            ...base,
            conditionKey: c.key,
            operator: c.operator,
            value: c.stringValue || c.tag || "",
            caseSensitive: c.caseSensitive || false
          });
        });
      } else {
        records.push({ ...base, conditionKey: "", operator: "", value: "", caseSensitive: false });
      }
    }

    if (rule.type === "SELECTOR") {
      records.push({
        mzName: mz.name,
        description: mz.description || "",
        ruleType: "SELECTOR",
        ruleEnabled: rule.enabled,
        entityType: "",
        propagateToHost: false,
        propagateToPG: false,
        conditionKey: "entitySelector",
        operator: "SELECTOR",
        value: rule.entitySelector || "",
        caseSensitive: false
      });
    }
  });
}

return records;
}

export default async function() {
  const mzList = await getAllMzs();
  return flattenRules(mzList);
}
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## 2. MZ Rule Pattern Analysis
Analyze what types of MZ rules are in use to understand migration complexity.

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```python
import { settingsObjectsClient } from "@dynatrace-sdk/client-classic-
environment-v2";

interface MzRule {
  enabled: boolean;
  type: string;
  entitySelector?: string;
  attributeRule?: { entityType: string; conditions?: { key: string; operator: string }[] }[];
}

interface MzDefinition {
  name: string;
  rules: MzRule[];
}

async function getAllMzs(nextPageKey?: string, mzList: MzDefinition[] = []): Promise {
  const config: any = nextPageKey
    ? { nextPageKey }
    : { schemaIds: "builtin:management-zones", pageSize: 100, fields: "objectId,value" };
  const resp = await settingsObjectsClient.getSettingsObjects(config);
  mzList.push(...resp.items.map(elem => elem.value as MzDefinition));
  return resp.nextPageKey ? getAllMzs(resp.nextPageKey, mzList) : mzList;
}

export default async function() {
  const mzList = await getAllMzs();

  // Count patterns
  const stats = {
    totalMzs: mzList.length,
    totalRules: 0,
    byRuleType: {} as Record,
    byEntityType: {} as Record,
    byConditionKey: {} as Record,
    byOperator: {} as Record,
    selectorRules: 0,
    meRules: 0,
    tagBasedRules: 0,
    nameBasedRules: 0
  };

  mzList.forEach(mz => {
    mz.rules?.forEach(rule => {
      stats.totalRules++;
    });
  });
}
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stats.byRuleType[rule.type] = (stats.byRuleType[rule.type] || 0) + 1;

if (rule.type === "SELECTOR") {
  stats.selectorRules++;
} else if (rule.type === "ME" && rule.attributeRule) {
  stats.meRules++;
  const attr = rule.attributeRule;
  stats.byIdentityType[attr.entityType] =
(stats.byIdentityType[attr.entityType] || 0) + 1;

  attr.conditions?.forEach(c => {
    stats.byConditionKey[c.key] = (stats.byConditionKey[c.key] || 0) +
1;
    stats.byOperator[c.operator] = (stats.byOperator[c.operator] || 0)
+ 1;

    if (c.key.includes("TAGS")) stats.tagBasedRules++;
    if (c.key.includes("NAME")) stats.nameBasedRules++;
  });
}
});

// Convert to table format
const results = [
  { category: "Summary", metric: "Total Management Zones", count:
stats.totalMzs },
  { category: "Summary", metric: "Total Rules", count: stats.totalRules },
  { category: "Summary", metric: "Avg Rules per MZ", count:
Math.round(stats.totalRules / stats.totalMzs * 10) / 10 },
  { category: "Rule Type", metric: "SELECTOR rules", count:
stats.selectorRules },
  { category: "Rule Type", metric: "ME (attribute) rules", count:
stats.meRules },
  { category: "Pattern", metric: "Tag-based rules", count:
stats.tagBasedRules },
  { category: "Pattern", metric: "Name-based rules", count:
stats.nameBasedRules }
];

// Add top entity types
Object.entries(stats.byIdentityType)
  .sort((a, b) => b[1] - a[1])
  .slice(0, 10)
  .forEach(([type, count]) => {
    results.push({ category: "Entity Type", metric: type, count });
  });

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// Add top condition keys
Object.entries(stats.byConditionKey)
  .sort((a, b) => b[1] - a[1])
  .slice(0, 10)
  .forEach(([key, count]) => {
    results.push({ category: "Condition Key", metric: key, count });
  });

  return results;
}
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## 3. Entity Security Context Coverage

Check how many entities have `dt.security_context` set vs those relying only on `managementZones`.

### Service Coverage

```python
fetch dt.entity.service
| summarize
  total = count(),
  withSecurityContext = countIf(isNotNull(dt.security_context)),
  withMzs = countIf(isNotNull(managementZones)),
  noAccess = countIf(isNull(dt.security_context) AND
isNull(managementZones))
| fieldsAdd
  securityContextPercent = round(100.0 * withSecurityContext / total,
decimals: 2),
  mzPercent = round(100.0 * withMzs / total, decimals: 2)
```

### Host Coverage

```python
fetch dt.entity.host
| summarize
  total = count(),
  withSecurityContext = countIf(isNotNull(dt.security_context)),
  withMzs = countIf(isNotNull(managementZones))
| fieldsAdd
  securityContextPercent = round(100.0 * withSecurityContext / total,
decimals: 2),
  mzPercent = round(100.0 * withMzs / total, decimals: 2)
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#### ## 4. Entity Counts by Management Zone

See how many entities are assigned to each MZ to prioritize migration.

##### ### Services per Management Zone

```
```python
fetch dt.entity.service
| expand mz = managementZones
| filter isNotNull(mz)
| summarize entityCount = count(), by: {managementZone = mz}
| sort entityCount desc
| limit 30
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#### ## 5. Tag Pattern Analysis

Discover common tag patterns that could be used for segment creation.

##### ### Most Common Host Tags

```
```python
fetch dt.entity.host
| expand tag = tags
| filter isNotNull(tag)
| summarize count = count(), by: {tag}
| sort count desc
| limit 50
```
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##### ### Tag Key Frequency

Extract key from `key:value` format to see which tag keys are most common.

```
```python
fetch dt.entity.host
| expand tag = tags
| filter isNotNull(tag)
| filter contains(tag, ":")
| parse tag, "LD:tagKey ':' LD>tagValue"
| summarize count = count(), uniqueValues = countDistinct(tagValue), by:
{tagKey}
| sort count desc
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| limit 30
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## 6. Kubernetes Namespace Analysis

K8s namespaces are a common source for segment variables.

```python
fetch dt.entity.cloud_application_namespace
| fields namespace = entity.name, id
| sort namespace asc
| limit 30
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## 7. Host Group Analysis

Host groups are key for vertical MZ migration (environment-based access control).

```python
fetch dt.entity.host_group
| fields hostGroup = entity.name, id
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## 8. Migration Readiness Summary

Combined view of migration readiness indicators.

```python
import { settingsObjectsClient } from "@dynatrace-sdk/client-classic-environment-v2";
import { queryExecutionClient } from "@dynatrace-sdk/client-query";

async function getMZCount(): Promise {
  const resp = await settingsObjectsClient.getSettingsObjects({
    schemaIds: "builtin:management-zones",
    pageSize: 1,
    fields: "totalCount"
  });
  return resp.totalCount || 0;
}

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async function runDQL(query: string): Promise<any> {
  const resp = await queryExecutionClient.queryExecute({
    body: {
      query,
      requestTimeoutMilliseconds: 60000,
      maxResultRecords: 10
    }
  });
  return resp.result?.records || [];
}

export default async function() {
  const mzCount = await getMZCount();

  // Get service coverage
  const serviceCoverage = await runDQL(`  

    fetch dt.entity.service  

    | summarize  

      total = count(),  

      withSecContext = countIf(isNotNull(dt.security_context)),  

      withMZ = countIf(isNotNull(managementZones))  

  `);

  // Get host coverage
  const hostCoverage = await runDQL(`  

    fetch dt.entity.host  

    | summarize  

      total = count(),  

      withSecContext = countIf(isNotNull(dt.security_context))  

  `);

  const svc = serviceCoverage[0] || {};
  const host = hostCoverage[0] || {};

  return [
    { category: "Management Zones", metric: "Total MZs to migrate", value: mzCount, status: mzCount > 50 ? "HIGH" : "OK" },
    { category: "Services", metric: "Total services", value: svc.total || 0, status: "INFO" },
    { category: "Services", metric: "With security_context", value: svc.withSecContext || 0, status: (svc.withSecContext / svc.total) > 0.8 ? "GOOD" : "NEEDS_WORK" },
    { category: "Services", metric: "With MZ assignment", value: svc.withMZ || 0, status: "INFO" },
    { category: "Hosts", metric: "Total hosts", value: host.total || 0, status: "INFO" },
    { category: "Hosts", metric: "With security_context", value: host.withSecContext || 0, status: (host.withSecContext / host.total) > 0.8 ?
```

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"GOOD" : "NEEDS_WORK" }
];
}
```
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## Next Steps

### Based on the analysis above:

1. **High MZ count?** -> Prioritize by usage (query `dt.sfm.server.management_zones.queries_counter`)
2. **Low security_context coverage?** -> Plan host tag deployment or OpenPipeline enrichment
3. **Many tag-based MZ rules?** -> Map to segment filters using `matchesValue(tags, "key:value")`
4. **Many SELECTOR rules?** -> Review entity selectors for segment conversion
5. **Host groups in use?** -> Use `dt.host_group.id` in boundaries for vertical MZ migration

### Migration Priority:



Priority	Criteria	Action
1	MZs with >100 entities	Migrate first – highest impact
2	Tag-based MZ rules	Easy segment conversion
3	Host group-based MZs	Use boundary on `dt.host_group.id`
4	Entity selector MZs	Review and convert to segments
5	Complex/nested MZs	Manual analysis required


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## Related Notebooks



- MZ2POL-01**: Introduction – Why Migrate
- MZ2POL-03**: Assessment and Planning
- MZ2POL-06**: Migration Execution
- MZ2POL-07**: Validation and Troubleshooting



## Documentation



- [Management Zones Documentation]  
(https://docs.dynatrace.com/docs/manage/identity-access-management/permission-management/management-zones)
- [Upgrade from RBAC to IAM Policies]  
(https://docs.dynatrace.com/docs/manage/identity-access-management/permission-management/manage-user-permissions-)

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policies/advanced/migrate-roles)
– [Grant Access to Entities with Security Context]
(https://docs.dynatrace.com/docs/manage/identity-access-management/use-cases/access-security-context)
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