

# Microsoft Windows PowerShell and SQL Server 2005 SMO - Part 2

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## Microsoft Windows PowerShell and SQL Server 2005 SMO - Part 1

### *The MAK*

**Part I of this series shows how to set up and use simple PowerShell and SMO commands. In Part II we will learn more about PowerShell as well as its features associated with SMO. If you've ever known programming languages ??like PERL, Python or C, you can find similarities with the syntax used in PowerShell. In addition, it is compatible with operating systems like UNIX, Linux, MS-DOS .**

Although PowerShell has great power, not all tasks can be handled with PowerShell. However, Power Shell's

shortcomings can be filled using .NET classes and Window managers, such as WMI. Automation techniques of the Power Shell cmdlets can be completed by creating script code.

### Restore system date and time using Power Shell

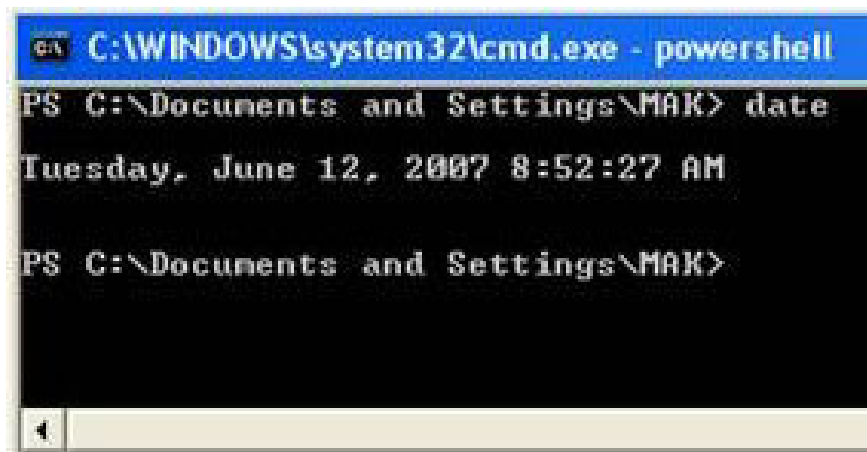
A simple date and time value of the system can be restored using a simple 'date' cmdlet. [Figure 1.0]

**Cmdlet:**

**date**

**Result:**

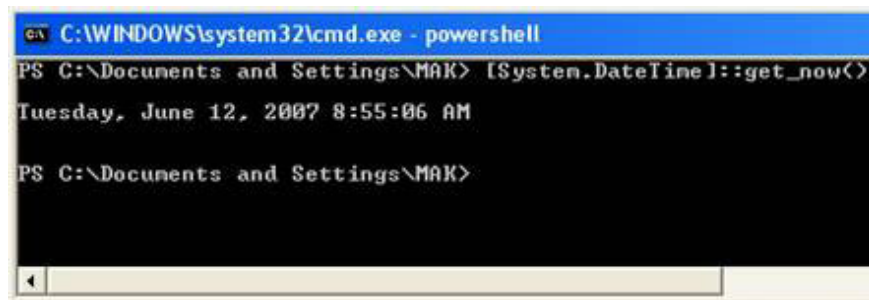
**Tuesday, June 12, 2007 8:52:27 AM**



```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe - powershell
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MAK> date
Tuesday, June 12, 2007 8:52:27 AM
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MAK>
```

Figure 1.0

The system's Date and Time value can be recovered by using a .NET class, following the following cmdlets. [Figure 1.1]



```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe - powershell
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MAK> [System.DateTime]::get_now()
Tuesday, June 12, 2007 8:55:06 AM
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MAK>
```

Figure 1.1

We can even give detailed information like Year, Month and Day. [Figure 1.2]

**Cmdlet:**

```
[System.DateTime] :: get_now (). Year  
[System.DateTime] :: get_now (). Month  
[System.DateTime] :: get_now (). Day
```

**Result:**

```
2007  
6  
twelfth
```

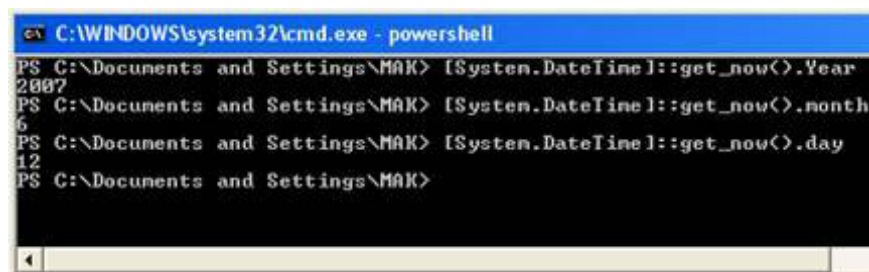


Figure 1.2

Use the WMI cmdlet to recover Date and Time information. [Figure 1.3]

**Cmdlet:**

```
get-wmiobject -Namespace rootcimv2 -Class Win32_CurrentTime
```

**Result:**

```
__GENUS: 2  
__CLASS: Win32_LocalTime  
__SUPERCLASS: Win32_CurrentTime  
__DYNASTY: Win32_CurrentTime  
__RELPATH: Win32_LocalTime = @  
__PROPERTY_COUNT: 10  
__DERIVATION: {Win32_CurrentTime}  
__SERVER: HOME  
__NAMESPACE: rootcimv2  
__PATH: HOMERootcimv2: Win32_LocalTime = @  
Day: 12  
DayOfWeek: 2  
Hour: 9  
Milliseconds:  
Minute: 3  
Month: 6  
Quarter: 2  
Second: 0  
WeekInMonth: 3  
Year: 2007  
__GENUS: 2
```

```

__CLASS: Win32_UTCTime
__SUPERCLASS: Win32_CurrentTime
__DYNASTY: Win32_CurrentTime
__RELPATH: Win32_UTCTime = @
__PROPERTY_COUNT: 10
__DERIVATION: {Win32_CurrentTime}
__SERVER: HOME
__NAMESPACE: rootcimv2
__PATH: HOMERootcimv2: Win32_UTCTime = @
Day: 12
DayOfWeek: 2
Hour: 13
Milliseconds:
Minute: 3
Month: 6
Quarter: 2
Second: 0
WeekInMonth: 3
Year: 2007

```

```

C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe - powershell
PS C:\Documents and Settings\Felix> get-wmiobject -Namespace rootcimv2 -Class Win32_CurrentTime

__CLASS           : Win32_LocalTime
__SUPERCLASS      : Win32_CurrentTime
__DYNASTY          : Win32_CurrentTime
__RELPATH         : Win32_LocalTime=0
__PROPERTY_COUNT  : 10
__DERIVATION      : {Win32_CurrentTime}
__SERVER          : HOME
__NAMESPACE       : rootcimv2
__PATH            : \\HOME\rootcimv2:Win32_LocalTime=0
Day               : 12
DayOfWeek         : 2
Hour              : 9
Milliseconds      :
Minute           : 3
Month             : 6
Quarter          : 2
Second           : 0
WeekInMonth      : 3
Year             : 2007

__CLASS           : Win32_UTCTime
__SUPERCLASS      : Win32_CurrentTime
__DYNASTY          : Win32_CurrentTime
__RELPATH         : Win32_UTCTime=0
__PROPERTY_COUNT  : 10
__DERIVATION      : {Win32_CurrentTime}
__SERVER          : HOME
__NAMESPACE       : rootcimv2
__PATH            : \\HOME\rootcimv2:Win32_UTCTime=0
Day               : 12
DayOfWeek         : 2
Hour              : 13
Milliseconds      :
Minute           : 3

```

Figure 1.3

Power Shell also allows you to run or execute ad-hock SQL queries for SQL 2000 or SQL 2005 databases.

We can get the Date and Time value from SQL Server using SQLServer Management Object and *getdate ()* function. In this example, we make a simple connection to a SQL Server and execute the simple *getdate ()* function to recover the Date and Time value according to the commands below. [Figure 1.4]

```

C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe - powershell
C:\Documents and Settings\MRK>powershell
Windows PowerShell
Copyright (C) 2006 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlConnection = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlConnection
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlConnection.ConnectionString = "Server=HOME\SQLEXPRESS; Database=master; Integrated
Security=True"
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlCmd = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlCmd.CommandText = "select getdate() as MyDate"
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlCmd.Connection = $SqlConnection
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlAdapter.SelectCommand = $SqlCmd
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $DataSet = New-Object System.Data.DataSet
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlAdapter.Fill($DataSet)
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $SqlConnection.Close()
PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> $DataSet.Tables[0]

MyDate
6/12/2007 9:35:18 AM

PS C:\Documents and Settings\MRK> _

```

Figure 1.4

**Cmdlets**

```

$ SqlConnection = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlConnection
$ SqlConnection.ConnectionString = "Server = HOMESQLEXPRESS; Database = master;
Integrated Security = True"
$ SqlCmd = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand
$ SqlCmd.CommandText = "select getdate () as MyDate"
$ SqlCmd.Connection = $ SqlConnection
$ SqlAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter
$ SqlAdapter.SelectCommand = $ SqlCmd
$ DataSet = New-Object System.Data.DataSet
$ SqlAdapter.Fill ($ DataSet)
$ SqlConnection.Close ()
$ DataSet.Tables [0]

```

**Result**

MyDate

-----

December 6, 2007 9:35:18 AM

This same example can be used for any adhoc query. Please execute the stored procedure 'sp\_helpdb' shown below.

**Cmdlets**

```

$ SqlConnection = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlConnection
$ SqlConnection.ConnectionString = "Server = HOMESQLEXPRESS; Database = master;
Integrated Security = True"
$ SqlCmd = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand
$ SqlCmd.CommandText = "sp_helpdb"
$ SqlCmd.Connection = $ SqlConnection
$ SqlAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter
$ SqlAdapter.SelectCommand = $ SqlCmd
$ DataSet = New-Object System.Data.DataSet

```

**\$ SqlAdapter.Fill (\$ DataSet)**

**\$ SqlConnection.Close ()**

**\$ DataSet.Tables [0]**

**Result**

**name: master**

**db\_size: 4.75 MB**

**owner: sa**

**dbid: 1**

**created: Apr 8 2003**

**status: Status = ONLINE, Updateability = READ\_WRITE, UserAccess = MULTI\_USER, Recovery = SIMPLE, Version = 611, Col**

**lution = SQL\_Latin1\_General\_CP1\_CI\_AS, SQLSortOrder = 52, IsAutoCreateStatistics, IsAutoUpdateStatist**

**ics**

**compatibility\_level: 90**

**name: model**

**db\_size: 1.69 MB**

**owner: sa**

**dbid: 3**

**created: Apr 8 2003**

**status: Status = ONLINE, Updateability = READ\_WRITE, UserAccess = MULTI\_USER, Recovery = SIMPLE, Version = 611, Col**

**lution = SQL\_Latin1\_General\_CP1\_CI\_AS, SQLSortOrder = 52, IsAutoCreateStatistics, IsAutoUpdateStatist**

**ics**

**compatibility\_level: 90**

**name: msdb**

**db\_size: 5.44 MB**

**owner: sa**

**dbid: 4**

**created: Oct 14 2005**

**status: Status = ONLINE, Updateability = READ\_WRITE, UserAccess = MULTI\_USER, Recovery = SIMPLE, Version = 611, Col**

**lution = SQL\_Latin1\_General\_CP1\_CI\_AS, SQLSortOrder = 52, IsAutoCreateStatistics, IsAutoUpdateStatist**

**ics, IsFullTextEnabled**

**compatibility\_level: 90**

**name: tempdb**

**db\_size: 2.50 MB**

**owner: sa**

**dbid: 2**

**created: Jun 12 2007**

**status: Status = ONLINE, Updateability = READ\_WRITE, UserAccess = MULTI\_USER, Recovery = SIMPLE, Version = 611, Col**

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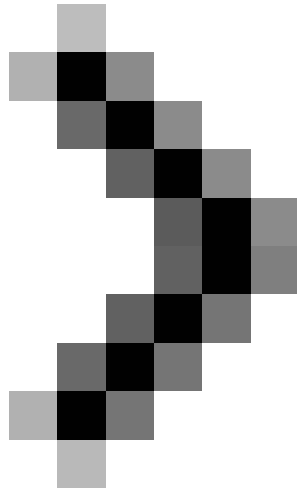
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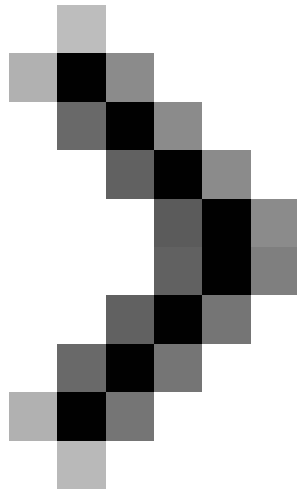
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**name: VixiaTrack**  
**db\_size: 6.94 MB**  
**owner: HOMEMAK**  
**dbid: 6**  
**created: Apr 22 2007**  
**status:**  
**compatibility\_level: 90**  
**name: XMLTest**  
**db\_size: 2.68 MB**  
**owner: HOMEMAK**  
**dbid: 7**  
**created: Apr 17 2007**  
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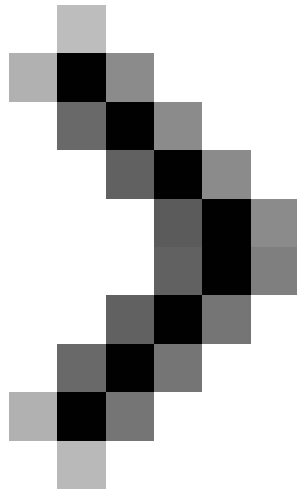
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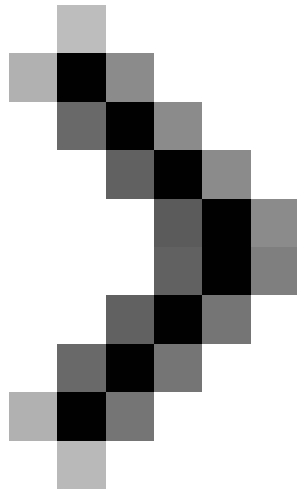
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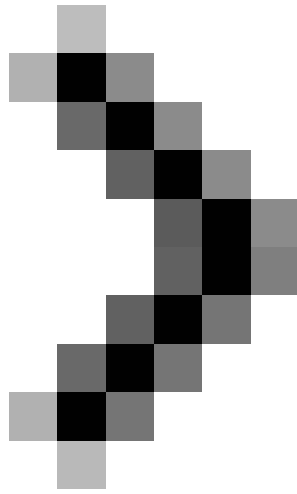
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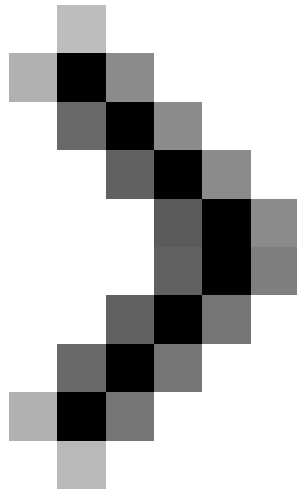
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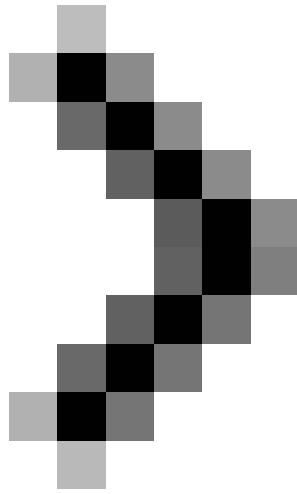
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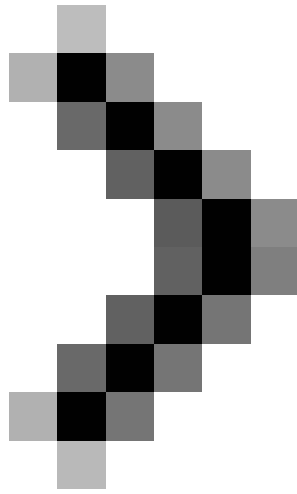
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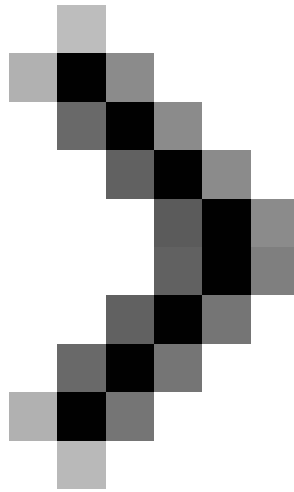
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