

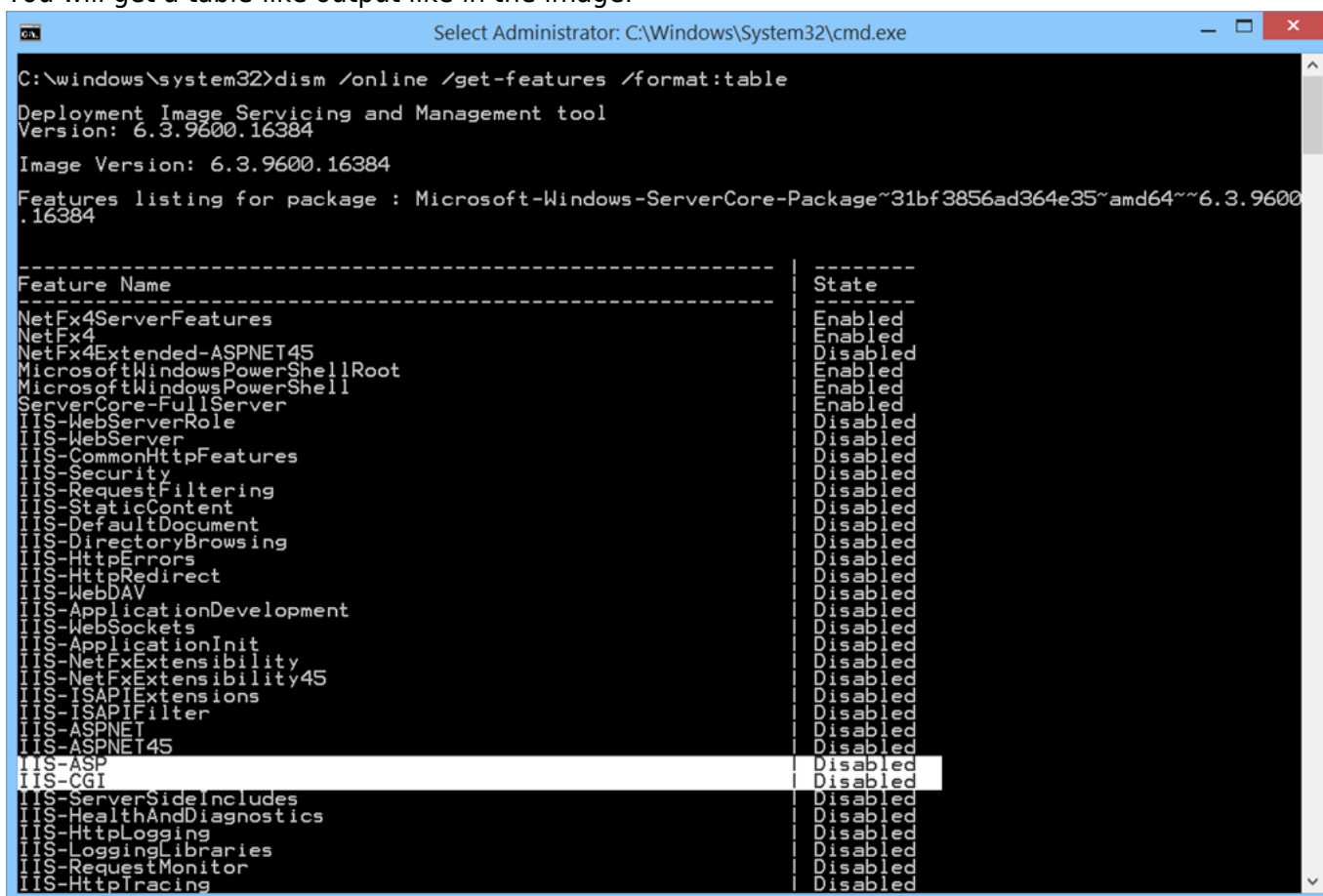
# Enable and disable Windows Features on Server 2012 R2 Core

So, you have installed Windows Server 2012 R2 Core and are determined to manage it without using any GUI tools. Very enthusiastic. I'd prefer to use Server Manager from a remote machine, but what the hell. Hit the keyboard.

The first thing to do is to list available features and their current state by using the 'dism' command. The output also reveals the precise feature names.

```
dism /online /get-features /format:table
```

You will get a table-like output like in the image:



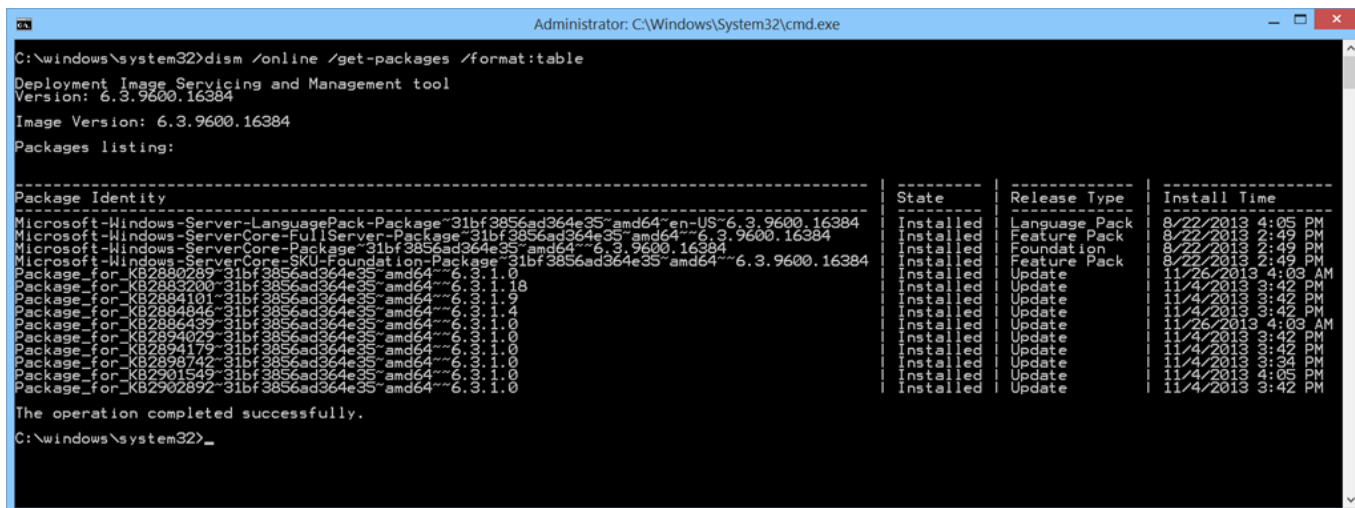
For additional feature information, use (eg. for SmbDirect)

```
Dism /online /get-featureInfo /featureName:SmbDirect
```

To list installed packets, use:

```
dism /online /get-packages /format:table
```

You will get table-like output like in the image:



For additional feature information, use (eg. for Package\_for\_KB2995004~31bf3856ad364e35~amd64~~6.3.1.0):

```
dism /online /get-packageinfo
/packageName:Package_for_KB2995004~31bf3856ad364e35~amd64~~6.3.1.0
```

To enable or disable features, use (eg. for SmbDirect):

```
Dism /online /enable-feature /featurename:SmbDirect
Dism /online /disable-feature /featurename:SmbDirect
```

Multiple /featureName arguments can be used if the features are components in the same parent package. Add /remove to remove the payloads without removing the feature's manifest from the image. Once the payload is removed, a feature will have the status, 'Disabled with Payload Removed.' and can be restored and enabled using /Enable-Feature with the /Source option.

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