

Check Agent Service Account Privileges

This document describes a BMC Database Automation (BDA) Action that will compare the privileges granted to the user a BDA Agent is running as to the privileges that are granted to the NT AUTHORITY\System user (the Local System Authority, or LSA).

How it works

The action uses the Windows command WHOAMI /PRIV to capture the list of privileges granted to a user.

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C:\Windows\system32>"c:\Program Files (x86)\PsTools\psexec.exe" -s cmd
PsExec v1.96 - Execute processes remotely
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Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
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C:\Windows\system32>whoami
nt authority\system

C:\Windows\system32>whoami /priv

PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
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Privilege Name            Description                State
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SeAssignPrimaryTokenPrivilege  Replace a process level token  Disabled
SeLockMemoryPrivilege         Lock pages in memory          Enabled
SeIncreaseQuotaPrivilege      Adjust memory quotas for a process  Disabled
SeTcbPrivilege                Act as part of the operating system  Enabled
SeSecurityPrivilege           Manage auditing and security log   Disabled
SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege      Take ownership of files or other objects  Disabled
SeLoadDriverPrivilege         Load and unload device drivers      Disabled
SeSystemProfilePrivilege      Profile system performance         Enabled
SeSystemtimePrivilege         Change the system time             Disabled
SeProfileSingleProcessPrivilege  Profile single process            Enabled
SeIncreaseBasePriorityPrivilege  Increase scheduling priority       Enabled
SeCreatePagefilePrivilege      Create a pagefile                 Enabled
SeCreatePermanentPrivilege     Create permanent shared objects    Enabled
SeBackupPrivilege              Back up files and directories      Disabled
SeRestorePrivilege             Restore files and directories      Disabled
SeShutdownPrivilege            Shut down the system               Disabled
SeDebugPrivilege               Debug programs                     Enabled
SeAuditPrivilege               Generate security audits            Enabled
SeSystemEnvironmentPrivilege    Modify firmware environment values  Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege        Bypass traverse checking           Enabled
SeUndockPrivilege              Remove computer from docking station  Disabled
SeManageVolumePrivilege        Perform volume maintenance tasks    Disabled
SeImpersonatePrivilege          Impersonate a client after authentication  Enabled
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege         Create global objects               Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege   Increase a process working set      Enabled
SeTimeZonePrivilege            Change the time zone                Enabled
SeCreateSymbolicLinkPrivilege   Create symbolic links               Enabled

C:\Windows\system32>_
  
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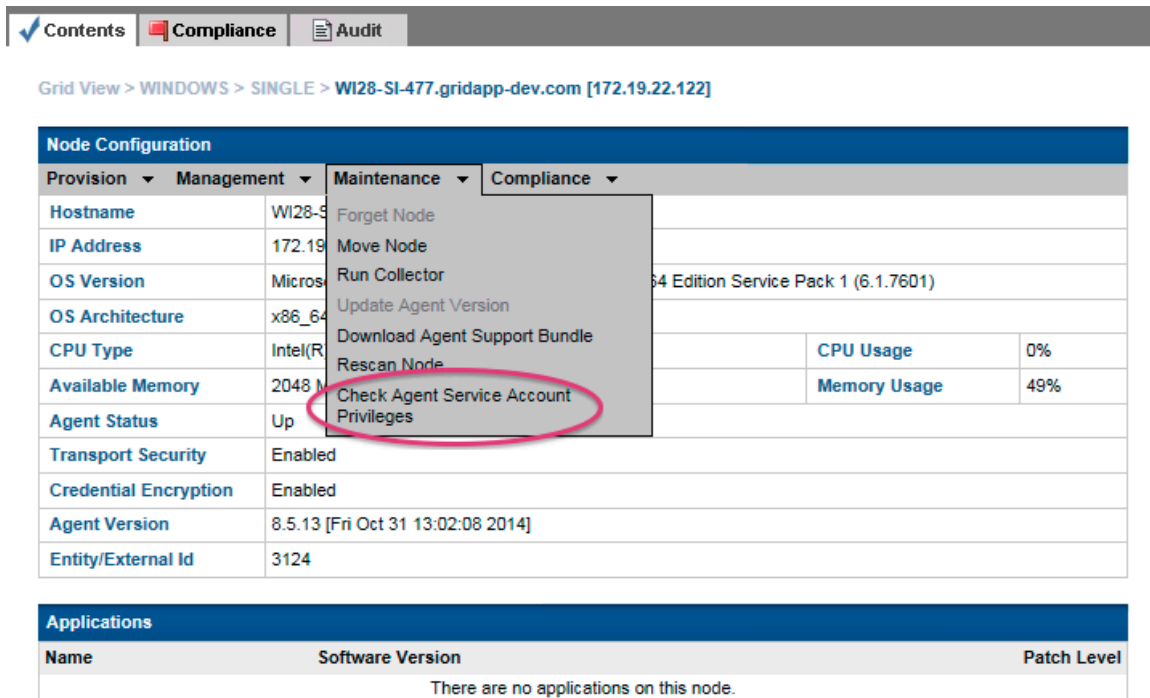
These privileges and their states are then compared to the list of privileges and states returned from a WHOAMI /PRIV command run as the NT AUTHORITY\System user. For reference, those privileges and states are listed here:

Privilege Name	Description	State
SeAssignPrimaryTokenPrivilege	Replace a process level token	Disabled
SeLockMemoryPrivilege	Lock pages in memory	Enabled
SeIncreaseQuotaPrivilege	Adjust memory quotas for a process	Disabled
SeTcbPrivilege	Act as part of the operating system	Enabled
SeSecurityPrivilege	Manage auditing and security log	Enabled
SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege	Take ownership of files or other objects	Disabled
SeLoadDriverPrivilege	Load and unload device drivers	Disabled
SeSystemProfilePrivilege	Profile system performance	Enabled
SeSystemtimePrivilege	Change the system time	Disabled
SeProfileSingleProcessPrivilege	Profile single process	Enabled
SeIncreaseBasePriorityPrivilege	Increase scheduling priority	Enabled
SeCreatePagefilePrivilege	Create a pagefile	Enabled
SeCreatePermanentPrivilege	Create permanent shared objects	Enabled
SeBackupPrivilege	Back up files and directories	Disabled
SeRestorePrivilege	Restore files and directories	Disabled
SeShutdownPrivilege	Shut down the system	Disabled
SeDebugPrivilege	Debug programs	Enabled
SeAuditPrivilege	Generate security audits	Enabled
SeSystemEnvironmentPrivilege	Modify firmware environment values	Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege	Bypass traverse checking	Enabled
SeUndockPrivilege	Remove computer from docking station	Disabled
SeManageVolumePrivilege	Perform volume maintenance tasks	Disabled
SeImpersonatePrivilege	Impersonate a client after authentication	Enabled
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege	Create global objects	Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege	Increase a process working set	Enabled
SeTimeZonePrivilege	Change the time zone	Enabled
SeCreateSymbolicLinkPrivilege	Create symbolic links	Enabled

BMC will only support BDA agents that are running with these privileges in these states.

How to use the action

Once the action has been imported into BDA, it can either be run via the Actions Repository, or it may be run via a menu entry in the “Maintenance” menu on the target node’s information page:



The screenshot shows the BDA interface with the 'Maintenance' menu open for a node. The 'Check Agent Service Account Privileges' option is highlighted with a red circle. The interface includes a navigation bar with 'Contents', 'Compliance', and 'Audit' tabs. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb path is 'Grid View > WINDOWS > SINGLE > WI28-SI-477.gridapp-dev.com [172.19.22.122]'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Node Configuration' and 'Applications'.

Node Configuration	
Provision	Management
Hostname	WI28-SI-477
IP Address	172.19.22.122
OS Version	Microsoft Windows [Version 6.0.6002.18000] Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
OS Architecture	x86_64
CPU Type	Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-3612QM CPU @ 2.30GHz
Available Memory	2048 MB
Agent Status	Up
Transport Security	Enabled
Credential Encryption	Enabled
Agent Version	8.5.13 [Fri Oct 31 13:02:08 2014]
Entity/External Id	3124

Applications		
Name	Software Version	Patch Level
There are no applications on this node.		

If the action runs to completion successfully, the user that the BDA Agent is running as has all the correct privileges and no further action is necessary. If the action fails, the STDOUT from the action will contain a table enumerating what privileges the user has, which privileges it shares with `NT AUTHORITY\System` but are in the incorrect state, and which privileges it is missing but are granted to `NT AUTHORITY\System`. A sample output from a failed run of this action can be found in Appendix B.

Viewing the STDOUT from an action

BDA provides the ability to examine the STDOUT from an Action via the Job Summary page:

Job Summary

Information		Rerun Job	
Job Name	Execute Action Check_Agent_Service_Account_Privileges		
Job ID	7833		
Description	Execute Action Check_Agent_Service_Account_Privileges against WI28-SI-477.gridapp-dev.com		
Domain	---		
Affected Nodes	WI28-SI-477.gridapp-dev.com [172.19.22.122]		
User	sysadmin		
User IP	172.21.36.179		
Create Time	09-29-2015 12:14:41		
Start Time	09-29-2015 12:14:44		
Completion Time	09-29-2015 12:15:15		
Elapsed Time	31 sec		
Status	Success		
ITSM Change ID	---		
ITSM Task ID	---		
Results	---		

Pre-Verification		View Details	
Pre-Verification Tests	2 Success 0 Failed 0 Ignored		
Pre-Verification Logs	Verification Log Verification Log Package		

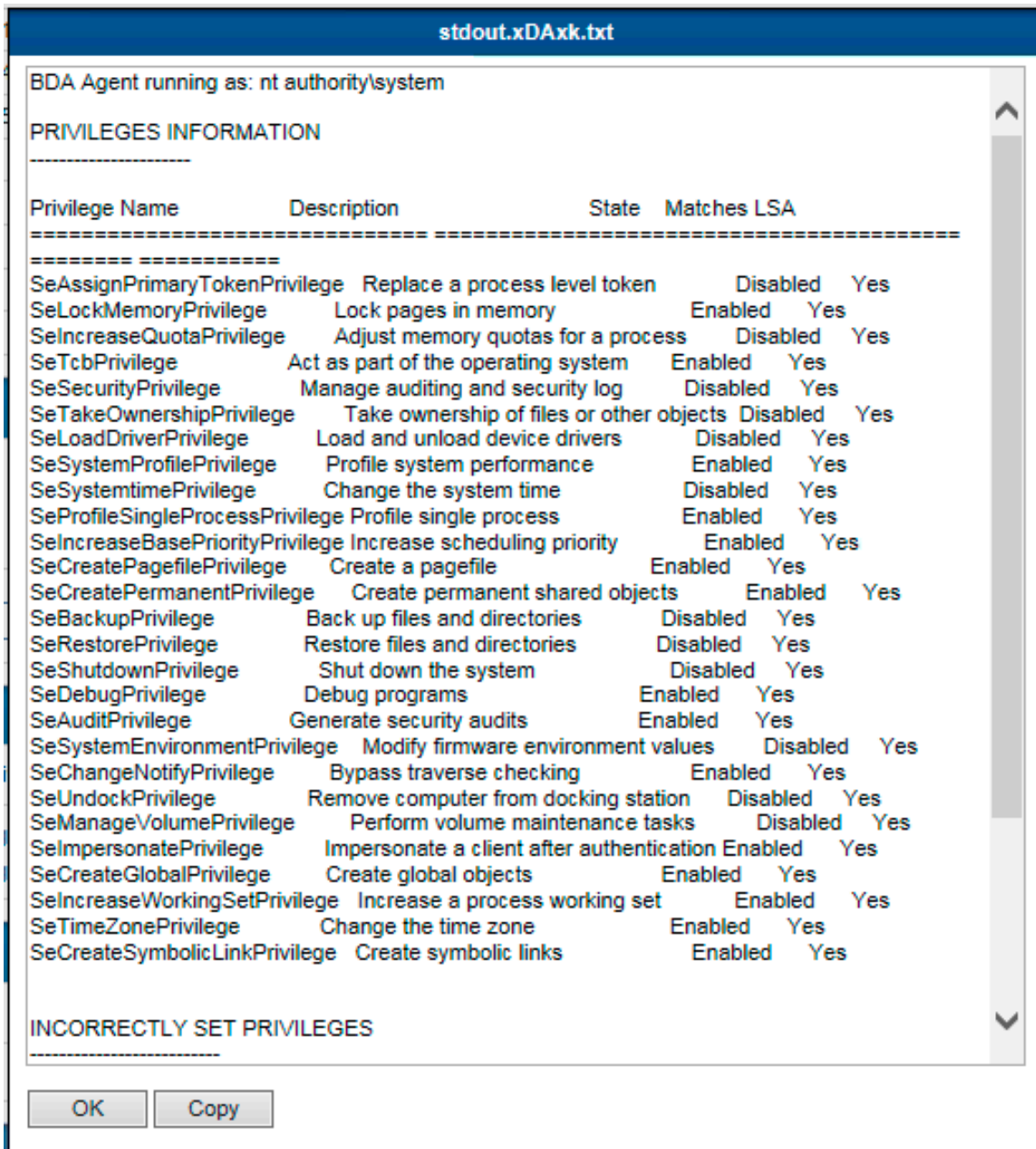
Provisioning		View Details	
Provisioning Progress	6 out of 6 activities completed		
Provisioning Logs	Provisioning Log Provisioning Log Package		

Provisioning Scripts		Rerun Scripts	
Pre-Provisioning Scripts	---		
Post-Provisioning Scripts	---		

Job Output						
Label	Target	Filename	Archive	Length	Truncated	
Action Check_Agent_Service_Account_Privileges Stdout	WI28-SI-477.gridapp-dev.com	stdout.xDAvk.txt	collected_job_pkg-172.19.22.122.zip	2.86KB	no	View Download
Action Check_Agent_Service_Account_Privileges Stderr	WI28-SI-477.gridapp-dev.com	stderr.rSxse.txt	collected_job_pkg-172.19.22.122.zip	0 bytes	no	View Download

[Go to Job List](#)

If you choose to view the output by using the “View” button, the table will be displayed in a variable-width font, so it may be difficult to read:



We recommend downloading the file and viewing it in a text editor.

Appendix A: Output of a successful run of this action

BDA Agent running as: nt authority\system

PRIVILEGES INFORMATION

Privilege Name	Description	State	Matches LSA
=====	=====	=====	=====
SeAssignPrimaryTokenPrivilege	Replace a process level token	Disabled	Yes
SeLockMemoryPrivilege	Lock pages in memory	Enabled	Yes
SeIncreaseQuotaPrivilege	Adjust memory quotas for a process	Disabled	Yes
SeTcbPrivilege	Act as part of the operating system	Enabled	Yes
SeSecurityPrivilege	Manage auditing and security log	Disabled	Yes
SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege	Take ownership of files or other objects	Disabled	Yes
SeLoadDriverPrivilege	Load and unload device drivers	Disabled	Yes
SeSystemProfilePrivilege	Profile system performance	Enabled	Yes
SeSystemtimePrivilege	Change the system time	Disabled	Yes
SeProfileSingleProcessPrivilege	Profile single process	Enabled	Yes
SeIncreaseBasePriorityPrivilege	Increase scheduling priority	Enabled	Yes
SeCreatePagefilePrivilege	Create a pagefile	Enabled	Yes
SeCreatePermanentPrivilege	Create permanent shared objects	Enabled	Yes
SeBackupPrivilege	Back up files and directories	Disabled	Yes
SeRestorePrivilege	Restore files and directories	Disabled	Yes
SeShutdownPrivilege	Shut down the system	Disabled	Yes
SeDebugPrivilege	Debug programs	Enabled	Yes
SeAuditPrivilege	Generate security audits	Enabled	Yes
SeSystemEnvironmentPrivilege	Modify firmware environment values	Disabled	Yes
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege	Bypass traverse checking	Enabled	Yes
SeUndockPrivilege	Remove computer from docking station	Disabled	Yes
SeManageVolumePrivilege	Perform volume maintenance tasks	Disabled	Yes
SeImpersonatePrivilege	Impersonate a client after authentication	Enabled	Yes
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege	Create global objects	Enabled	Yes
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege	Increase a process working set	Enabled	Yes
SeTimeZonePrivilege	Change the time zone	Enabled	Yes
SeCreateSymbolicLinkPrivilege	Create symbolic links	Enabled	Yes

INCORRECTLY SET PRIVILEGES

None

MISSING PRIVILEGES

None

Appendix B: Sample output of an unsuccessful run of this action

BDA Agent running as: gridapp-dev\sqlserver

PRIVILEGES INFORMATION

Privilege Name	Description	State	Matches LSA
SeIncreaseQuotaPrivilege	Adjust memory quotas for a process	Disabled	Yes
SeSecurityPrivilege	Manage auditing and security log	Disabled	Yes
SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege	Take ownership of files or other objects	Disabled	Yes
SeLoadDriverPrivilege	Load and unload device drivers	Disabled	Yes
SeSystemProfilePrivilege	Profile system performance	Disabled	No
SeSystemtimePrivilege	Change the system time	Disabled	Yes
SeProfileSingleProcessPrivilege	Profile single process	Disabled	No
SeIncreaseBasePriorityPrivilege	Increase scheduling priority	Disabled	No
SeCreatePagefilePrivilege	Create a pagefile	Disabled	No
SeBackupPrivilege	Back up files and directories	Disabled	Yes
SeRestorePrivilege	Restore files and directories	Disabled	Yes
SeShutdownPrivilege	Shut down the system	Disabled	Yes
SeDebugPrivilege	Debug programs	Disabled	No
SeSystemEnvironmentPrivilege	Modify firmware environment values	Disabled	Yes
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege	Bypass traverse checking	Enabled	Yes
SeRemoteShutdownPrivilege	Force shutdown from a remote system	Disabled	No
SeUndockPrivilege	Remove computer from docking station	Disabled	Yes
SeManageVolumePrivilege	Perform volume maintenance tasks	Disabled	Yes
SeImpersonatePrivilege	Impersonate a client after authentication	Enabled	Yes
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege	Create global objects	Enabled	Yes
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege	Increase a process working set	Disabled	No
SeTimeZonePrivilege	Change the time zone	Disabled	No
SeCreateSymbolicLinkPrivilege	Create symbolic links	Disabled	No

INCORRECTLY SET PRIVILEGES

Privilege Name	Description	State	Matches LSA
SeSystemProfilePrivilege	Profile system performance	Disabled	No
SeProfileSingleProcessPrivilege	Profile single process	Disabled	No
SeIncreaseBasePriorityPrivilege	Increase scheduling priority	Disabled	No
SeCreatePagefilePrivilege	Create a pagefile	Disabled	No
SeDebugPrivilege	Debug programs	Disabled	No
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege	Increase a process working set	Disabled	No
SeTimeZonePrivilege	Change the time zone	Disabled	No
SeCreateSymbolicLinkPrivilege	Create symbolic links	Disabled	No

MISSING PRIVILEGES

Privilege Name	Description	State	Matches LSA
SeAssignPrimaryTokenPrivilege	Replace a process level token	Disabled	No
SeLockMemoryPrivilege	Lock pages in memory	Enabled	No
SeTcbPrivilege	Act as part of the operating system	Enabled	No
SeCreatePermanentPrivilege	Create permanent shared objects	Enabled	No
SeAuditPrivilege	Generate security audits	Enabled	No