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Automating Geodatabase Administration with Python

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Python and Geodatabases

Python

- Is the programming language for geoprocessing.
- ArcPy site package is used to access geoprocessing functionality.

Geodatabase

- Core ArcGIS Data model
 - A comprehensive model for representing and managing GIS data
- A physical store of geographic data.
- A transactional model for managing GIS workflows.

Things you need to know

- Familiar with using Python for geoprocessing
 - Arcpy, Python lists, looping, string manipulation, data types.
- Familiar with Enterprise geodatabase concepts
 - Versions, replicas, connection files, data ownership.

Agenda

- Demo 1
 - Geodatabase maintenance.
 - Reconcile/post/delete versions, synchronize replicas, error reporting and automatic notifications
- Demo 2
 - Scheduling your scripts to run (Windows)
- Brief discussion of new admin 10.1 features

Version Maintenance

- Synchronize replicas
- Reconcile versions
- Post versions
 - Delete versions this will depend on your organization's workflow and version structure.
- Compress database
- Email notifications



Scheduling your script to run

- Using Windows task scheduler you can automate when your script will be run.
- This is especially useful for tasks that need to be run on a regular basis.



What's new at 10.1

- Tools:
 - Analyze Datasets
 - Rebuild Indexes
 - Reconcile Versions
- Python functions:
 - ListVersions
 - ListReplicas
 - ListUsers (lists connected users)
 - DisconnectUsers
 - Describe will return the current release of a geodatabase

This script is available online:

 Should be page 5 or 6 of the Geoprocessing tool gallery.

- URL
 - http://resources.arcgis.com/gallery/file/geoprocessing/details?entryID=A709782C-1422-2418-7FD5-E83695D0381E

Related Sessions

- Road Ahead GDB Admin
 - Thursday 3:40 Room 27B

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