

In domain\user syntax, you can often use the period as an abbreviation for “this computer”

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In general, the Windows syntax for a user in a domain on a system is `domain\user` or `computername\user`. A handy abbreviation is using a single period to represent the local computer name. For example, at the main logon screen, if you want to log in as a local account, you can type `.\user` instead of some monstrosity like `DESKTOP-LWFX8QRP\user`.

This is also useful when connecting remotely to another system either via Remote Desktop or the Visual Studio remote debugger: You can type `.\user` to provide a local account on the remote system.

Just a handy little typing-saver for today, that's all.