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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

This chapter contains the following topics:	

Product overview

The Ansible Modules for Dell EMC PowerMax are used to automate and orchestrate the configuration, and deployment of the Dell EMC PowerMax arrays. The capabilities of Ansible modules are managing volumes, storage groups, ports, port groups, hosts, host groups, masking views, snapshots, SRDF pairings and state, gather high level facts about the arrays and RDF group configuration. The options available for each capability are list, show, create, delete, and modify.

The Ansible modules are called by tasks within the Ansible playbooks. The *Idempotency* feature is enabled for all the modules. The *Idempotency* feature enables the playbook to be run multiple times and hence supports fault tolerance. The modules use Unisphere RESTAPI to interface with the PowerMax arrays.

List of Ansible Modules for Dell EMC PowerMax

The following are the list of modules:

- · Gather facts module
- Storage group module
- Volume module
- Host module
- Host group module
- Port module
- Port group module
- Masking view module
- Snapshot module
- SRDF module
- RDF Group module

CHAPTER 2

Configure Ansible

This chapter contains the following topics:

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Software prerequisites

This table provides information about the software prerequisites for the Ansible Modules for Dell EMC PowerMax.

Prerequisites

Table 1 Software prerequisites

Ansible Modules	Unisphere Version	PowerMaxOS	Red Hat Enterprise Linux	Python version	Python library version	Ansible
v1.0	9.0	5978.221.221 5978.444.444	7.5	2.7.12	3.0.0.14	2.6 or later
v1.1	9.0 9.1	5978.221.221 5978.444.444	7.5	2.7.12 3.5.2	3.1.x	2.6 or later

Note: The user must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.

Set up the Ansible servers

The Ansible server must be configured to write and run Ansible playbooks.

About this task

Do the following before you run playbooks on Ansible modules for Dell EMC PowerMax:

Procedure

1. Install Python library for Unisphere.

Run the following command to install PyU4V:

```
sudo apt install python-pip
pip install PyU4V==3.1.5
```

For more information, see Python Documentation.

- 2. Create the dellemc folder in one of the following folders if it is not available:
 - For Python 2.7 /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages/ansible/modules/storage
 - For Python 3.5 /usr/lib/python3.5/site-packages/ansible/modules/storage
- 3. Copy the Ansible modules to the appropriate locations in the virtual machine.
 - a. Copy *dellemc_ansible_utils.py* from the /utils one of the following locations:
 - For Python 2.7 /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages/ansible/module utils/
 - For Python 3.5 /usr/lib/python3.5/site-packages/ansible/module utils/

- b. Copy all the module python files from the /library folder to one of the following:
 - For Python 2.7 /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages/ansible/modules/storage/dellemc
 - For Python 3.5 /usr/lib/python3.5/site-packages/ansible/modules/storage/dellemc/
- c. Copy the *dellemc.py* from /doc fragments to one of the following:
- For Python 2.7 /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages/ansible/plugins/doc_fragments
- For Python 3.5 /usr/lib/python3.5/site-packages/ansible/plugins/ doc_fragments/
- Note: The path may vary depending on the Python library version and the operating system.

Configure Ansible

CHAPTER 3

Ansible modules for Dell EMC PowerMax

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	RDF Group module	

Gather Facts module

The Gather Facts module displays a list of specific entities in PowerMax array. The Gather facts module is used with Ansible to register values that are used in conditional statements within the playbooks.

The Gather Facts module supports two sets of operations.

- Operations on the Unisphere server
- Operations on the PowerMax array registered under an Unisphere server

On the Unisphere host, the Gather Facts module lists the registered storage arrays that are managed by the Unisphere host.

On the PowerMax array, the Gather Facts module lists the following entities:

- · Arrays in an Unisphere host
- Volumes in a specific array
- · Storage groups in a specific array
- Hosts in a specific array
- Host groups in a specific array
- Storage resource pools in a specific array
- Ports in a specific array
- Port groups in a specific array
- Masking views in a specific array
- RDF groups in a specific array

Get list of volumes

The user can get the list of volumes and TDEV volumes in the storage array by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is as follows:

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of arrays

The user can get the list of registered storage arrays that are managed by the Unisphere host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax for the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get array list
  dellemc_powermax_gatherfacts:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of storage group

The user can get the list of storage groups in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax for the playbook is shown as follows:

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of storage resource pool

The user can get the list of storage resource pools, and the details of each storage resource pool in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

Get list of port groups

The user can get the list of port groups in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax for the playbook is shown as follows:

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of hosts

The user can get the list of hosts in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax for the playbook is shown as follows:

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of host groups

The user can get the list of host groups in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Get list of Host Groups
dellemc_powermax_gatherfacts:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial no: "{{serial no}}"
```

```
gather_subset:
    - hg
```

Get list of ports

The user can get the list of ports in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax for the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get list of Ports
dellemc_powermax_gatherfacts:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   gather_subset:
   - port
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of masking views

The user can get the list of masking views available in the storage array by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax for the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get list of Maskng Views
  dellemc_powermax_gatherfacts:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    gather_subset:
    - mv
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get list of RDF groups

The user can get the list of RDF groups in the array by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Get list of all RDF Groups of given PowerMax/VMAX Storage System dellemc_powermax_gatherfacts:
```

Gather Facts module parameters

The following table provides the information about the parameters that are displayed on the console, when the user runs the *playbook* using the Gather facts module:

Table 2 Parameters

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. • True - Verify the SSL certificate. • False - Do not verify the SSL certificate. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.

Table 2 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is optional.
gather_subset	 vol srp sg pg host hg port mv rdf 	List of string variables to specify the PowerMax entities for which the information is required. Required only if serial_no is present. • vol - volumes • srp - storage resource pools • sg - storage groups • pg - port groups • host - hosts • hg - host groups • port - ports • mv - masking views • rdf - RDF groups
tdev_volumes	True False	This parameter supports a boolean variable. By setting the value of this parameter to <i>True</i> , only TDEV Volumes will be listed. The default value of this parameter is <i>True</i> .

Storage group module

The Storage group module manages the storage groups available on the PowerMax storage array. The storage group module has the following functionalities:

- List the volumes of a storage group.
- Create a storage group.
- Delete an existing storage group.
- Add existing volumes to a storage group.
- Remove existing volumes from a storage group.
- · Create volumes in a storage group.

- Modify the storage group attributes.
- Add child storage group to a parent storage group.
- Remove child storage group from a parent storage group.

Get details of storage group including the volumes

The user can get the details of a storage group in the array. The details include the list of volumes within the storage group.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get storage group details including volumes
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg"
   state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Create empty storage group

The user can create an empty storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create empty storage group
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "foo"
   service_level: "Diamond"
   srp: "SRP_1"
   compression: True
   state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Delete empty storage group

The user can delete an empty storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Delete the storage Group dellemc powermax storagegroup:
```

```
unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
universion: "{{universion}}"
verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
user: "{{user}}"
password: "{{password}}"
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
sg_name: "foo"
state: "absent"
```

Add existing volumes to the existing storage group

The user can add one or more existing volumes to a storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Adding existing volume(s) to existing SG
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "foo"
   state: "present"
   volumes:
        - vol_id: "00028"
        - vol_id: "00025"
        vol_state: "present-in-group"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Create new volumes for existing storage group

The user can create new volumes for an existing storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Create new volumes for existing SG
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "foo"
   state: "present"
   volumes:
        - vol_name: "foo"
        size: 1
        cap_unit: "GB"
```

```
- vol_name: "bar"
    size: 1
    cap_unit: "GB"
vol_state: "present-in-group"
```

Remove volumes from storage group

The user can remove one or multiple volumes from a storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Remove volume(s) from existing SG
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "foo"
    state: "present"
    volumes:
        - vol_id: "00028"
        - vol_id: "00018"
        - vol_name: "ansible-vol"
    vol_state: "absent-in-group"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Add child storage group to parent storage group

The user can add a child storage group to a parent storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Adding child SG to parent SG
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "parent_sg"
    state: "present"
    child_storage_groups:
        - "pie"
        - "bar"
    child_sg_state: "present-in-group"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Remove child storage group from parent storage group

The user can remove a child storage group from a parent storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Removing child SG from parent SG
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "parent_sg":
    state: "present"
    child_storage_groups:
        - "pie"
        - "bar"
    child_sg_state: "absent-in-group"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Rename storage group

The user can rename a storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Rename Storage Group
dellemc_powermax_storagegroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg":
   new_sg_name: "ansible_sg_renamed"
   state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Storage Group module parameters

The following table lists the parameters that must be set before the user runs the playbook for the Storage Group module:

Table 3 Parameters

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. • True - Verifies the SSL certificate. • False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified.
		This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
sg_name		The name of the storage group. This parameter is mandatory.

Table 3 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
new_sg_name		The new name of the storage group.
service_level		The name of the service level
srp		The name of the storage resource pool. This parameter is ignored if the service_level is not specified. The default value is the name of the default storage resource pool of the array.
compression	truefalseThe default value is true.	Defines if the compression is enable for a storage group. This parameter is unavailable if the service_level is not specified.
state	absentpresent	Defines whether the storage group should exist or not. This parameter is mandatory.
volumes		This parameter lists the volumes present in the storage group. Each volume has four attributes.
		• vol_name
		• size
		• cap_unit
		• vol_id
		Use either volume name or volume ID to identify the volumes. Both cannot be used simultaneously to identify the volumes. For new volumes that are added to storage group, the name and size must be provided. This parameter is optional.
vol_state	present-in-groupabsent-in-group	Defines the state of the volumes inside the storage group.
child_storage_groups		Lists the child storage group.
child_sg_state	present-in-groupabsent-in-group	Describes the state of child storage group in a parent storage group.

Volume module

The Volume module manages the storage volumes on PowerMax arrays.

The volume module has the following capabilities:

- Create volume.
- · Expand volume.
- Rename volume.
- Delete volume using the volume ID.
- Move volumes between storage groups.
- · Get volume details.

Create volume

The user can create a volume in the storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create volume
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    vol_name: "{{vol_name}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    size: 1
    cap_unit: "{{cap_unit}}"
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Expand volume

The user can expand the size of the volumes by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Expanding volume size
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    size: 3
    cap_unit: "{{cap_unit}}"
    vol_id: "0059B"
    state: 'present'
```

Rename volume

The user can rename the volume by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Renaming volume
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    new_name: "Test_GOLD_vol_Renamed"
    vol_id: "0059B"
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Delete volume

The user can delete the volume by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete volume
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    vol_id: "0059B"
    state: 'absent'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Move volumes between storage group

The user can move the volumes from one storage group to another by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Move volume between storage group
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
```

```
password: "{{password}}"
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
vol_name: "{{vol_name}}"
sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
new_sg_name: "{{new_sg_name}}"
state: 'present'
```

Get volume using WWN

The user can get details of a volume using WWN by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get volume details
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    vol_wwn: "{{result.volume_details.wwn}}"
    state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Expand volume using WWN

The user can expand the size of the volumes using WWN by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Expand volume using wwn
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    size: 21
    cap_unit: "{{cap_unit}}"
    vol_wwn: "{{result.volume_details.wwn}}"
    state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Move volumes between storage groups using WWN

The user can move the volumes using WWN, from one storage group to another by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Move volume between SGs
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    vol_wwn: "{{result.volume_details.wwn}}"
    new_sg_name: "{{new_sg_name}}"
    state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Rename volume using WWN

The user can rename the volume using WWN by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Rename volume
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    new_name: "Ansible_Testing_Renamed"
    vol_wwn: "{{result.volume_details.wwn}}"
    state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Delete volume using WWN

The user can delete the volume using WWN by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Delete volume
  dellemc_powermax_volume:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
```

```
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
vol_wwn: "{{result.volume_details.wwn}}"
state: "absent"
```

Volume module parameters

The parameters of the Volume module are listed as follows:

Table 4 Parameters

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. • True - Verifies the SSL certificate. • False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered

Table 4 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
		array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
vol_name		The name of the volume.
new_name		The new identifier for the volume.
sg_name		The name of the current storage group.
new_sg_name		The name of the target storage group for moving volumes from one storage group to another.
size		The desired size of the volume. This parameter is mandatory when you create or expand the volume. Shrinking of volumes is not supported.
cap_unit	MBGBTBThe default unit is GB.	Volume capacity unit.
vol_id		The native id of the volume. This parameter is optional.
state	absentpresent	Defines whether the volume should exist in the storage group. This parameter is mandatory.
vol_wwn		The external WWN of the volume. This parameter is optional.

Host module

The host module manages the host within the PowerMax array.

The host module has the following functions:

- Create host with initiators and host flags.
- Add initiators to the host.
- · Remove initiators from the host.
- Modify host flag values.
- Rename host.

Delete host.

Create host

The user can create a host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create host
   dellemc_powermax_host:
     unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
     universion: "{{universion}}"
     verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
     user: "{{user}}"
     password: "{{password}}"
      serial no: "{{serial no}}"
     host name: "{{host name}}"
     init ators:
      - 10000090fa7b4e85
     host flags:
          spc2_protocol_version: true
          consistent lun: true
          volume set addressing: 'unset'
         disable_q_reset_on_ua: false
openvms: 'unset'
      state: 'present'
      initiator state: 'present-in-host'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get details of the host

The user can get details of the host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
-name: Get host details
  dellemc_powermax_host:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    host_name: "{{host_name}}"
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Add initiator to host

The user can add an initiator to the host by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Adding initiator to host
```

```
dellemc_powermax_host:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   host_name: "{{host_name}}"
   initiators:
   - 10000090fa3d303e
   initiator_state: 'present-in-host'
   state: 'present'
```

Remove initiators from host

The user can remove initiators from the host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Removing initiator from host
  dellemc_powermax_host:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    host_name: "{{host_name}}"
    initiators:
    - 10000090fa3d303e
    initiator_state: 'absent-in-host'
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Modify host flags

The user can modify the host flags by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Modify flags of host
   dellemc_powermax_host:
     unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
     universion: "{{universion}}"
     verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
     user: "{{user}}"
     password: "{{password}}"
     serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
     host_name: "{{host_name}}"
     host_flags:
        spc2_protocol_version: unset
        consistent_lun: unset
        volume_set_addressing: true
        disable q reset on ua: false
```

```
openvms: false
  avoid_reset_broadcast: true
state: 'present'
```

Rename host

The user can rename the host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Rename host
   dellemc_powermax_host:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    host_name: "{{host_name}}"
    new_name: "{{new_host_name}}"
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Delete host

The user can delete the host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete host
  dellemc_powermax_host:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    host_name: "{{new_host_name}}"
    state: 'absent'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Host module parameters

The parameters of the Host module are listed as follows:

Table 5 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate.
		True - Verifies the SSL certificate.
		False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified.
		This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
host_name		The name of the host. The following conditions are applicable when naming the host:

Table 5 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		Do not use special characters except "" Case sensitive for RestAPI calls.
		This parameter is mandatory.
new_name		The new name of the host when you rename the host. The following conditions must be met when you enter a new name:
		Do not use special characters except ""
		Case sensitive for RestAPI calls.
initiators		Lists the initiator WWN or IQN that needs to be added to or removed from the host.
host_flags	yesnounset	Enter as in yaml dictionary. The host_flags are optional. All the host_flags are listed below.
	The default parameter is	volume_set_addressing
	unset.	disable_q_reset_on_ua
		environ_set
		avoid_reset_broadcast
		• openvms
		• scsi_3
		spc2_protocol_version
		scsi_support1
		consistent_lun
state	absent precent	Defines whether the host must exist in the system.
	• present	absent - indicates that the host must not exist in the system.
		present - indicates that the host must exist in the system.
		This parameter is mandatory.
initiator_state	present-in-host	Defines whether the initiator must be available in the host.

Table 5 Parameters (continued)

absent-in-host	
	 present-in-host - indicates that the initiator must be present in the host.
	 absent-in-host - indicates that the initiator must not be present in the host.
	This parameter is mandatory for the following conditions:
	Create a host with initiators.
	Add initiators to a host.
	Remove initiators from a host

Host group module

The host group module manages the host group within the PowerMax array. A host group is a container for multiple hosts and enables simple configuration of clusters.

The functions of the host group module are as follows:

- Create host group with hosts.
- Add hosts to a host group.
- Remove hosts from a host group.
- Rename host group.
- Modify the host flags of a host group.
- Delete host group.

Create host group

The user can create a host group by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Create host group
dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   hostgroup_name: "{{hostgroup_name}}"
   hosts:
   - Ansible_Testing_host
   state: 'present'
```

```
host_state: 'present-in-group'
host_flags:
    spc2_protocol_version: true
    consistent_lun: true
    disable_q_reset_on_ua: false
    openvms: 'unset'
```

Get details of host group

The user can get the details of the host group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get host group details
  dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    hostgroup_name: "{{hostgroup_name}}"
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Add host to host group

The user can add host to a host group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Adding host to host group
dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   hostgroup_name: "{{hostgroup_name}}"
   hosts:
   - Ansible_Testing_host2
   state: 'present'
   host_state: 'present-in-group'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Remove host from host group

The user can remove a host from the host group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Removing host from host group
dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   hostgroup_name: "{{hostgroup_name}}"
   hosts:
   - Ansible_Testing_host2
   state: 'present'
   host_state: 'absent-in-group'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Modify host group flags

The user can modify the host flags by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Modify flags of host group
dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   hostgroup_name: "{{hostgroup_name}}"
   host_flags:
       spc2_protocol_version: unset
       disable_q_reset_on_ua: false
       openvms: false
       avoid_reset_broadcast: true
   state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Rename host group

The user can rename the host group by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Rename host group
dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
```

```
universion: "{{universion}}"
verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
user: "{{user}}"
password: "{{password}}"
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
hostgroup_name: "{{hostgroup_name}}"
new_name: "Ansible_Testing_hostgroup2"
state: 'present'
```

Delete host group

The user can delete the host group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete host group
dellemc_powermax_hostgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   hostgroup_name: "Ansible_Testing_hostgroup2"
   state: 'absent'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Host Group module parameters

The parameters of the Host Group module are listed as follows with an example:

Table 6 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate.

Table 6 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		 True - Verifies the SSL certificate. False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified.
		This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
host_group_name		The name of the host group. The following conditions must be met when you enter the name: • Do not use special characters except "" • Case sensitive for RestAPI calls. This parameter is mandatory.
new_name		The new name of the host group when you rename the host group. The following conditions must be met when you enter a new name: Do not use special characters except "" Case sensitive for RestAPI calls.
hosts		Lists of the host names that are added to the host group

Table 6 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		or removed from host group. You can create an empty host group.
host_state	present-in-groupabsent-in-group	Defines whether the host must be available in the host group. • present-in-group - indicates that the host must be present in the host group. • absent-in-group -
		indicates that the host must not be present in the host group.
host_flags	 yes no unset (default) 	Enter as in yaml dictionary. All the host_flags are listed below. volume_set_addressing disable_q_reset_on_ua environ_set avoid_reset_broadcast openvms scsi_3 spc2_protocol_version scsi_support1 consistent_lun
state	absentpresent	Defines whether the host group must be present in the system. • absent - The host must not be present in the system. • present - The host must be present in the system. This parameter is mandatory.

Port module

The ports available on the PowerMax array are managed by the Port module. The Port module lists the details of single or multiple ports.

Get details of single/multiple ports

The user can get the details of single or multiple ports by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get details of single/multiple ports
dellemc_powermax_port:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
    ports:
    - director_id: "FA-1D"
        port_id: "5"
    - director_id: "SE-1F"
        port_id: "29"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Port module parameters

The parameters for the Port module are listed as follows with an example:

Table 7 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	TrueFalse	To validate the SSL certificate. • True - Verifies the SSL certificate.

Table 7 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		 False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
ports		Lists the port director and the port id.

Port Group module

The Port Group module manages the port group in the PowerMax array.

The port group management module has the following functions:

- Create a port group with ports.
- Create empty port group.
- Add ports to a port group.
- Remove ports from a port group.
- Rename a port group.
- Remove a port group.

Create port group without ports

The user can create a port group without ports by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

- name: Create port group without ports

```
dellemc_powermax_portgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
   portgroup_name: "{{portgroup_name}}"
   state: "present"
```

Create port group with ports

The user can create a port group with ports by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create port group with ports
dellemc_powermax_portgroup:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
    portgroup_name: "{{portgroup_name}}"
    state: "present"
    ports:
    - director_id: "FA-1D"
        port_id: "5"
    - director_id: "FA-2D"
        port_id: "5"
    port_state: "present-in-group"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Add ports to port group

The user can add ports to a port group by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Add ports to port group
dellemc_powermax_portgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
   portgroup_name: "{{portgroup_name}}"
   state: "present"
   ports:
   - director_id: "FA-2D"
        port_id: "8"
   - director_id: "FA-2D"
```

```
port_id: "9"
port_state: "present-in-group"
```

Remove ports from port group

The user can remove ports from the port group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Remove ports from port group
dellemc_powermax_portgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
   portgroup_name: "{{portgroup_name}}"
   state: "present"
   ports:
   - director_id: "FA-2D"
   port_id: "8"
   - director_id: "FA-2D"
   port_id: "9"
   port_state: "absent-in-group"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Rename port group

The user can rename the port group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Modify port group
dellemc_powermax_portgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
   portgroup_name: "{{portgroup_name}}"
   state: "present"
   new_name: "{{new_name}}"
```

Delete port group

The user can delete a port group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete port group
dellemc_powermax_portgroup:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{array_id}}"
   portgroup_name: "{{portgroup_name}}"
   state: "absent"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Port Group module parameters

The parameters for the Port Group module are listed as follows with an example:

Table 8 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. True - Verifies the SSL certificate. False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using

Table 8 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Ch	oice/default	Comments
			Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password			The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no			The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
portgroup_name			The name of the port group. The following conditions must be met when you enter the name:
			Do not use special characters except ""
			Case sensitive for RestAPI calls.
			This parameter is mandatory.
state	•	absent present	Defines whether the port group must be present in the system.
			absent: The port group must not be present in the system.
			present: The port group must be present in the system.
			This parameter is mandatory.
ports			Lists the port director and ports that are added to the port group or removed from port group.
port_state	•	present-in-group absent-in-group	Defines whether the port must be available in the port group.
			present-in-group: indicates that the port

Table 8 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		must be present in the port group. • absent-in-group: indicates that the port must not be present in the port group.
new_name		The new name of the port group when you rename the port group. The following conditions must be met when you enter a new name:
		Do not use special characters except ""
		Case sensitive for RestAPI calls.

Masking View module

The Masking View module manages the masking views on the PowerMax array.

The masking view module has the following functions:

- Create masking view with a port group, storage group, host, or host group.
- Modify masking view.
- · Delete masking view.

For creating a masking view, the port groups, storage groups, hosts, and host groups must be present on the array. Once the masking view is created, only the name of the masking view can be changed. The entities such as port group, storage group, hosts, or host group cannot be changed. The masking view can be created either for a host or a host group, but not for both. The host name or a host group name must be provided to create masking view.

Create masking view with host group

The user can create a masking view with a host group by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Create MV with hostgroup
dellemc_powermax_maskingview:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   mv_name: "{{mv_name}}"
   portgroup_name: "Ansible_Testing_portgroup"
   hostgroup_name: "Ansible_Testing_hostgroup"
```

```
sg_name: "Ansible_Testing_SG"
state: "present"
```

Create masking view with host

The user can create a masking view with host by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create MV with host
  dellemc_powermax_maskingview:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    mv_name: "{{mv_name}}"
    portgroup_name: "Ansible_Testing_portgroup"
    host_name: "Ansible_Testing_SG"
    state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Rename masking view

The user can rename the masking view by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Rename host masking view
dellemc_powermax_maskingview:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   mv_name: "{{mv_name}}"
   new_mv_name: "Ansible_Testing_mv_renamed"
   state: "present"
```

Delete masking view

The user can delete the masking view by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete host masking view
dellemc_powermax_maskingview:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   mv_name: "Ansible_Testing_mv_renamed"
   state: "absent"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Masking View module parameters

The parameters for the Masking View module are listed as follows with an example:

Table 9 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	TrueFalse	To validate the SSL certificate. • True - Verifies the SSL certificate. • False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using

Table 9 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
mv_name		The name of the masking view. The following conditions must be met when you enter the name:
		Do not use special characters except ""
		Case sensitive for RestAPI calls.
		This parameter is mandatory.
new_mv_name		The new name of the masking view when you rename the existing masking view. The following conditions must be met when you provide the new name for masking view:
		Do not use special characters except ""
		Case sensitive for REST API calls.
portgroup_name		The name of the existing port group.
hostgroup_name		The name of the existing host group. Use this parameter to create cluster export.
host_name		The name of the existing host. Use this parameter to create an exclusive host or to export to a host.

Table 9 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
sg_name		The name of the existing storage group.
state	absentpresent	Defines whether the masking view must be present on the system. This parameter is mandatory.

Snapshot module

The Snapshot module manages the snapshots available on the PowerMax array.

The snapshot module has the following functions:

- Create a storage group snapshot.
- · Get details of a storage group snapshot.
- Rename a storage group snapshot.
- · Change storage group snapshot link status.
- Delete storage group snapshot.

Create snapshot for a storage group

The user can create a snapshot for a storage group by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create a Snapshot for a Storage Group
dellemc_powermax_snapshot:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg"
   snapshot_name: "ansible_sg_snap"
   ttl: "2"
   ttl_unit: "days"
   state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get details of storage group snapshot

The user can get details of a storage group snapshot by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Get Storage Group Snapshot details dellemc_powermax_snapshot:
```

```
unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
universion: "{{universion}}"
verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
user: "{{user}}"
password: "{{password}}"
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
sg_name: "ansible_sg"
snapshot_name: "ansible_sg_snap"
state: "present"
```

Delete storage group snapshot

The user can delete a storage group snapshot by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete Storage Group Snapshot
dellemc_powermax_snapshot:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg"
   snapshot_name: "ansible_sg_snap"
   generation: 1
   state: "absent"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Rename storage group snapshot

The user can rename the storage group snapshot by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Rename Storage Group Snapshot
dellemc_powermax_snapshot:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg"
   snapshot_name: "ansible_snap_new"
   generation: 0
   state: "present"
```

Change snapshot link status to linked

The user can change the link status of the snapshot to *linked* by running the appropriate playbook. The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Change Snapshot Link Status to Linked
dellemc_powermax_snapshot:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg"
   snapshot_name: "ansible_snap_new"
   generation: 1
   target_sg_name: "ansible_sg_target"
   link_status: "linked"
   state: "present"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Change snapshot link status to unlinked

The user can change the link status of the snapshot to *unlinked* by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Change Snapshot Link Status to UnLinked
dellemc_powermax_snapshot:
   unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
   universion: "{{universion}}"
   verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
   user: "{{user}}"
   password: "{{password}}"
   serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
   sg_name: "ansible_sg"
   snapshot_name: "ansible_snap_new"
   generation: 1
   target_sg_name: "ansible_sg_target"
   link_status: "unlinked"
   state: "present"
```

Snapshot module parameters

The parameters for the Snapshot module are listed as follows with an example:

Table 10 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. • True - Verifies the SSL certificate.
		False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified.
		This parameter is mandatory.
user		The user name to access the Unisphere server. The user name can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
sg_name		The name of the storage group. This parameter is mandatory.

Table 10 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
snapshot_name		The name of the snapshot. This parameter is mandatory.
new_snapshot_name		The new name of the snapshot.
generation		The generation number of the Snapshot. Generation is mandatory for link, unlink, rename, and delete operations. Optional for <i>Get snapshot details</i> operation. Create snapshot creates a snapshot with generation number 0. Rename is supported only for generation number 0.
target_sg_name		The target storage group name.
link_status	linked unlinked	Defines the link status of the snapshot.
ttl		The Time To Live (TTL) value for the Snapshot. If the TTL value is not specified, the storage group snapshot details would be returned. However, to create a storage group snapshot, the TTL must be specified. If the storage group snapshot does not have a TTL value, specify the TTL value as "None."
ttl_unit	hoursdays	The unit for TTL. If no ttl_unit is specified, 'days' is taken as default value.
state	absent present	Defines whether the snapshot must exist on the storage array. This parameter is mandatory.

SRDF Module

The SRDF Module manages the SRDF links in Dell EMC PowerMax arrays. The SRDF Module supports the following functionalities:

- Create SRDF links with the following replication modes:
 - Synchronous

- Asynchronous
- Adaptive copy
- Active mode
- Get SRDF pair states for a given storage group and RDFG number.
- Modify SRDF link mode.
- Perform the following operations:
 - Establish
 - Restore
 - Swap
 - Failover
 - Resume
 - Suspend
 - Split
 - Failback
 - Setbias
- Metro configurations: Set bias operation, change resiliency between bias and witness.
- Run create and update operations Asynchronously (by default) or synchronously.
- Get Job details for a given Job ID.
- Delete SRDF links.
- (i) Note: The following features are not supported:
 - Device expansion and Online Device expansion for metro and non-metro configurations
 - The Star, Concurrent, and Cascaded multisite SRDF configurations
 - The Invalidate, Ready, Not Ready, Move Pairs, and Refresh SRDF pairing operations
 - Migration use cases through the SRDF Module

Create SRDF links

The user can create SRDF links by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create and establish storagegroup SRDF/S pairing
   dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    remote_serial_no: "{{remote_serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    srdf_mode: 'Synchronous'
    srdf_state: 'Establish'
    state: 'present'
```

Create and establish a storage group SRDF/a pairing

The user can create and establish a storage group SRDF/a pairing by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create and establish storagegroup SRDF/a pairing
  register: Job_details_body
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    remote_serial_no: "{{remote_serial_no}}"
    srdf_mode: 'Asynchronous'
    srdf_state: 'Establish'
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Create a storage group SRDF/s pair in suspended mode

The user can create a storage group SRDF/s pair in the default suspended mode by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get SRDF details

The user can get SRDF details by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Get SRDF details
```

```
dellemc_powermax_srdf:
unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
universion: "{{universion}}"
verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
user: "{{user}}"
password: "{{password}}"
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
state: 'present'
```

Modify SRDF mode

The user can modify SRDF mode by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Modify SRDF mode
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    srdf_mode: 'Synchronous'
    state: 'present'
```

You can modify the srdf mode parameter to any of the following modes:

- Synchronous
- Asynchronous
- Adaptive copy
- Active

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Failover SRDF link

The user can perform failover operation by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Failover SRDF link
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    srdf_state: 'Failover'
    state: 'present'
```

Failback SRDF link

The user can perform failback operation by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Failback SRDF link
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{ serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    rdfg_no: "{{rdfg_no}}"
    srdf_state: "Failback"
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Create storage group Metro SRDF pair with Witness for resiliency

The user can create a storage group Metro SRDF pair with Witness for resiliency by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Create storagegroup Metro SRDF pair with Witness for resiliency
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    remote_serial_no: "{{remote_serial_no}}"
    state: 'present'
    srdf_mode: 'Active'
    srdf_state: 'Establish'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Get SRDF Job status

The user can get SRDF Job status by running the appropriate playbook.

```
- name: Get SRDF Job status dellemc_powermax_srdf:
```

```
unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
universion: "{{universion}}"
verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
user: "{{user}}"
password: "{{password}}"
serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
job_id: "{{job_id}}"
state: 'present'
```

Establish SRDF link

The user can establish the SRDF link by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Establish SRDF link
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    srdf_state: 'Establish'
    state: 'present'
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

Suspend SRDF link

The user can suspend the SRDF link by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Suspend SRDF link
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name2}}"
    srdf_state: 'Suspend'
    state: 'present'
```

Delete SRDF link

The user can delete the SRDF links by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Delete SRDF link
  dellemc_powermax_srdf:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: "{{serial_no}}"
    sg_name: "{{sg_name}}"
    state: 'absent'
```

(i) Note: Only links in Suspended states can be deleted.

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

SRDF module parameters

The following table provides information about the parameters that are displayed on the console, when the user runs the playbook using SRDF Module:

Table 11 Parameters

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (i) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. True - indicates that the SSL certificate should be verified. False - indicates that the SSL certificate should not be verified. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The username to access the Unisphere server. The username can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can

Table 11 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
		be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the source PowerMax or VMAX array (R1), when protecting a storage group. This parameter is mandatory. Note: You can issue srdf_state operations from an R1 or R2 array.
remote_serial_no		A 12-Digit serial number of the remote PowerMAX or VMAX array (R2). This parameter is mandatory when creating an SRDF pair.
sg_name		Name of the Storage group. SRDF pairings are managed at a storage group level. This parameter is required to identify the SRDF link. This parameter is mandatory.
srdf_mode	ActiveAdaptive CopySynchronousAsynchronous	The replication mode of the SRDF pair. This parameter is mandatory when creating an SRDF pair. It can be modified by specifying one of the following values: Active Adaptive Copy Synchronous
		Asynchronous
state	presentabsent	Define whether the SRDF pairing should exist or not. • present - indicate that the SRDF pairing should exist in the system. • absent - indicate that the SRDF pairing should not exist in the system.
		This parameter is mandatory.
srdf_state	EstablishRestoreSwapFailoverResumeSuspend	Desired state of the SRDF pairing. This parameter is optional. While creating a new SRDF pair, the allowed values are Establish and Suspend. If the srdf_state parameter is not specified, the pair will be created in the Suspend state.

Table 11 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
	SplitFailbackSetbias	
new_rdf_group	TrueFalseThe default value is false.	This flag overrides the SRDF Group selection functionality and forces the creation of a new SRDF Group. This parameter is optional.
rdfg_number		The RDF group number. This parameter is optional for each call. For the create operation, if specified, the array will reuse the RDF group, or display an error. For the modify and delete operations, if the RFD group number is not specified, the storage group is protected by multiple RDF Groups. This causes an error.
job_id		Job ID of an Asynchronous task. This parameter is used to get the details of a job.
<pre>wait_for_complet ion</pre>	True False The default value is false.	Flag to indicate if the operation should be run synchronously or asynchronously. True - Synchronous False - Asynchronously The default value is False. All create and update operations will be run asynchronously by default.
witness	• True • False	Flag to specify use of Witness for a Metro configuration. The flag can be set only for modifying the srdf_state parameter to either Establish, Suspend or Restore. True - To use Witness False - To use Bias Note: It is recommended to set this parameter for SRDF Metro in a production environment. Use Unipshere for PowerMAX UI or REST API to configure this parameter.

Table 11 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choices/default	Comments
		Note: Set witness to true when you create a Metro configuration.

RDF Group module

The RDF Group module provides details of the RDF group and the list of volumes available on a specified RDF Group. The RDF group module supports the Get details of RDF Groups and volumes function.

Get RDF group and volumes details

The user can get details of an RDF group and the list of volumes in a specific RDF Group, by running the appropriate playbook.

The syntax of the playbook is shown as follows:

```
- name: Get RDF Group detail and Volumes
  dellemc_powermax_rdfgroup:
    unispherehost: "{{unispherehost}}"
    universion: "{{universion}}"
    verifycert: "{{verifycert}}"
    user: "{{user}}"
    password: "{{password}}"
    serial_no: {{ serial_no }}
    rdfgroup_number: "{{rdfgroup_number}}"
    register: "rdfgroup_result"
```

The parameters must be set before the user runs the playbook. See the Parameters table for more information about the parameters.

RDF Group module parameters

The parameters for the RDF Group module are listed as follows with an example:

Table 12 Parameters

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
unispherehost		IP or FQDN of the Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
universion		The version of the Unisphere software. This parameter is mandatory. (1) Note: You must specify the Unisphere version as 9.0 (universion: "90") even if the

Table 12 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Choice/default	Comments
		Unisphere version used is 9.1.
verifycert	True False	To validate the SSL certificate. True - Verifies the SSL certificate. False - Specifies that the SSL certificate should not be verified. This parameter is mandatory.
user		The username to access the Unisphere server. The username can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
password		The password to access the Unisphere server. The password can be encrypted using Ansible vault. This parameter is mandatory.
serial_no		The serial number of the PowerMax array. If this parameter is absent, the script lists all the serial numbers of the registered array on the specified Unisphere host. This parameter is mandatory.
rdfgroup_number		The serial number of the RDF Group, used to get the details of an RDF Group and list the volumes of the specified RDF Group.

Ansible modules for Dell EMC PowerMax