***Inventory Part 1***

1. Ansible inventory file is located at: **sudo vi /etc/ansible/hosts**

***Inventory part 2***

[loadbalancer]

lb01

[webserver]

app01

app02

[database]

db01

[control]

Control ansible\_connection=local

**Here ansible\_connection states to make connection with the hosts without having to create an ssh key.**

**Command to list all the available hosts in a files.**

ansible -i hosts --list-hosts all

**To view ansible configuration file:**

Sudo vi /etc/ansible/ansible.cfg

You can create ansible.cfg in local directory and add “hosts” file under default key. This would eliminate the need to specify -i option every time, to work with hosts file.

ansible.cfg

[defaults]

inventory = ./hosts