Packer Vagrant. Machine image creation automation

Here is an example workflow:

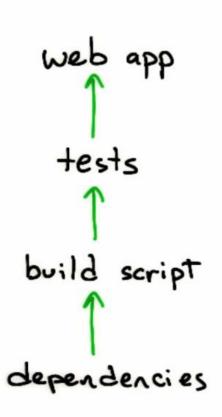
- You use Packer to build a Vagrant Box for the **virtualbox** provider
- The vagrant-cloud post-processor is configured to point to the box hashicorp/foobar on Vagrant Cloud via the box_tag configuration
- The post-processor receives the box from the vagrant postprocessor
- It then creates the configured version, or verifies the existence of it, on Vagrant Cloud
- A provider matching the name of the Vagrant provider is then created
- The box is uploaded to Vagrant Cloud
- The upload is verified
- The version is released and available to users of the box

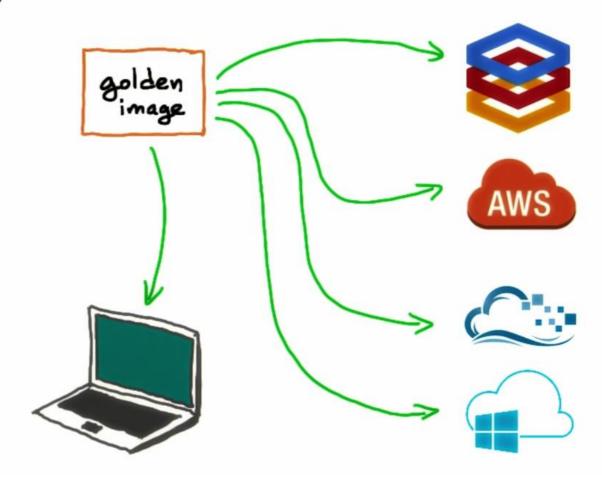
Project Overview

tests
build script
dependencies

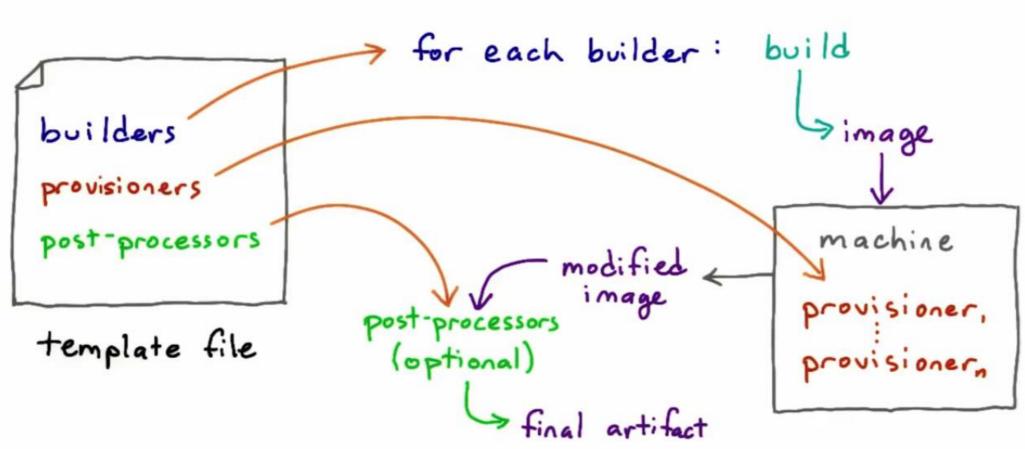


Project Overview





Packer Overview



```
"variables": {
          "PACKER OS_FLAVOUR": "ubuntu",
          "PACKER BOX NAME": "ubuntu-14.04.2-server-amd64",
          "AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID": "{{env `AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID`}}",
          "AWS SECRET ACCESS KEY": "{{env `AWS SECRET ACCESS KEY`}}"
        },
 8
        "builders":
10
            "type": "virtualbox-iso",
            "boot command": [
11
12
              "<esc><wait>".
              "<esc><wait>",
13
              "<enter><wait>",
14
              "/install/vmlinuz<wait>",
15
              " auto<wait>".
16
              " console-setup/ask_detect=false<wait>",
17
              " console-setup/layoutcode=us<wait>",
18
              " console-setup/modelcode=pc105<wait>",
19
              " debconf/frontend=noninteractive<wait>".
20
              " debian-installer=en US<wait>".
21
              " fb=false<wait>",
22
              " initrd=/install/initrd.gz<wait>",
23
24
              " kbd-chooser/method=us<wait>",
              " keyboard-configuration/layout=USA<wait>",
25
              " keyboard-configuration/variant=USA<wait>",
26
27
              " locale=en US<wait>".
```

```
● ● ●
                                                 application-server.json
               " noapic<wait>",
 30
               " preseed/url=http://{{ .HTTPIP }}:{{ .HTTPPort }}/preseed.cfg<wait>",
 31
               " -- <wait>".
 32
 33
               "<enter><wait>"
 34
             ],
 35
             "boot wait": "10s".
 36
             "headless": false.
 37
             "disk size": 10140,
 38
             "guest_additions_path": "VBoxGuestAdditions_{{.Version}}.iso",
 39
             "guest_os_type": "Ubuntu 64".
 40
             "http_directory": "http",
             "iso_checksum": "8acd2f56bfcba2f7ac74a7e4a5e565ce68c024c38525c0285573e41c86ae90c0".
 41
 42
             "iso_checksum_type": "sha256",
 43
             "iso url": "http://releases.ubuntu.com/trusty/{{ user `PACKER BOX NAME` }}.iso",
 44
             "shutdown_command": "echo 'vagrant'|sudo -S shutdown -P now",
             "ssh password": "vagrant".
 45
             "ssh_port": 22.
 46
             "ssh_username": "vagrant",
 47
             "ssh wait timeout": "10000s",
 48
             "type": "virtualbox-iso".
 49
 50
             "vm_name": "{{ user `PACKER_BOX_NAME` }}",
             "vboxmanage": [
 51
 52
               ["modifyvm", "{{.Name}}", "--memory", "1024"],
 53
               ["modifyvm", "{{.Name}}", "--cpus", "2"]
 54
 55
             "virtualbox version file": ".vbox version"
 56
           },
```

```
application-server.json
68
69
      "provisioners":
70
          "type": "shell",
71
72
          "execute_command": "echo 'vagrant' | {{.Vars}} sudo -S -E bash '{{.Path}}'",
73
          "scripts": [
74
            "scripts/update.sh"
75
76
        },
77
        "type": "shell",
78
79
        "only": ["virtualbox-iso"],
80
        "execute_command": "echo 'vagrant'|sudo -S -E bash '{{.Path}}'",
        "scripts": [
81
82
        "scripts/virtualbox.sh",
        "scripts/vagrant.sh"
83
84
        },
85
86
87
          "type": "shell",
88
          "execute_command": "echo 'vagrant'|sudo -S -E bash '{{.Path}}'",
          "scripts": [
89
            "scripts/application.sh",
90
            "scripts/cleanup.sh"
91
92
93
        }
94
```

```
application-server.json
76
         },
77
         "type": "shell",
78
 79
         "only": ["virtualbox-iso"],
         "execute_command": "echo 'vagrant'|sudo -S -E bash '{{.Path}}'",
 80
         "scripts": [
81
 82
         "scripts/virtualbox.sh",
 83
         "scripts/vagrant.sh"
84
85
         },
86
87
           "type": "shell",
           "execute_command": "echo 'vagrant'|sudo -S -E bash '{{.Path}}'",
 88
89
           "scripts": [
 90
             "scripts/application.sh",
91
             "scripts/cleanup.sh"
92
93
94
       ],
95
      "post-processors":
96
97
             "type": "vagrant",
98
             "compression_level": "9",
99
             "output": "{{.Provider}}/{{ user `PACKER_BOX_NAME` }}-appserver_{{.Provider}}.box"
100
101
102
```

Packer Overview

How would you switch from Ubuntu to CentOS in Packer
Run Packer on a machine or VM running CentOS.
Change the source in the builder configuration.
Change the source in the provisioner configuration.
Change the target in the post-processor configuration.
You can't: Packer only supports Ubuntu.

Packer Overview

How would you switch from Ubuntu to CentOS in Packer
Run Packer on a machine or VM running CentOS.
Change the source in the builder configuration.
Change the source in the provisioner configuration.
Change the target in the post-processor configuration.
You can't; Packer only supports Ubuntu.

IT Orchestration

Orchestration is the automated configuration, coordination and management of computer systems and software.

Examples of tools: Ansible, Puppet, Salt, Terraform, AWS CloudFormation.

Container Orchestration: Kubernetes software, managed services as AWS EKS, AWS ECS, Amazon Fargate.