

Ansible - Faster Than Light

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TASK [Introduce myself] **********



```
ok: [localhost] => {
    "me": {
        "name": "Bernhard Hopfenmüller",
        "occupation": "Consultant/Developer@Atix",
        "irc_twitter_github": "Fobhep",
        }
    }
}
```



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TASK [The Name] ************





imdb.com

TASK [The Question] ***********



```
ok: [localhost] => {
    "msg": "How do we get there?"
}
```

TASK [Categories of Optimization] *****



TASK [Debug task duration - Profiling] ***** ATIX



```
[defaults]
callback whitelist = profile tasks
```

```
export PROFILE_TASKS_SORT_ORDER=none
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
 "profiling": "duration of each task"
```




```
- hosts: web1
 gather_facts: no
 tasks:
   - name: Create directory
    file:
      path: /tmp/ansible_speed
      state: directory
   - name: Create Files
     include: create_file.yaml
    loop: "{{ range(0, 10)|list }}"
   - name: Remove directory
    file:
      path: /tmp/ansible_speed
      state: absent
```



```
ok: [localhost] => {
 "tweaks": {
         "testing": "30 times w/wo tweaks",
         "tests" : "tested each tweak independently ",
         "results" : "qualitative",
         "disclaimer " : "no guarantee for reproducibility",
```

TASK [Categories of Optimization] ****** ATIX



```
ok: [localhost] => {
 "category": "settings"
```

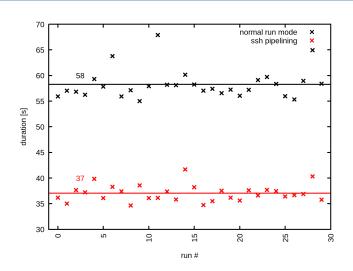



```
[ssh]
pipelining = true
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
"reuse": "one ssh tunnel",
"Needs!": "requiretty=false on managed host!"
```

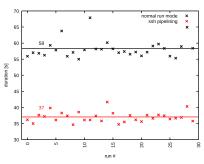
TASK [Pipelining Benchmark]





TASK [SSH Pipelining Result] *********





```
ok: [localhost] => {
    "msg" : "factor 1.5"
}
```

TASK [SSH Multiplexing] ***********

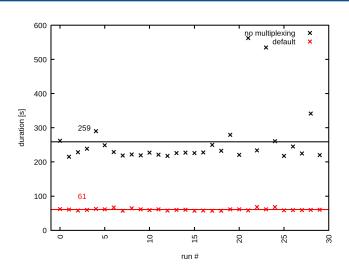


```
[ssh]
ssh_args = -o ControlMaster=auto -o ControlPersist=60s
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "parallel" : "usage of connection",
  "enabled" : "per default",
}
```

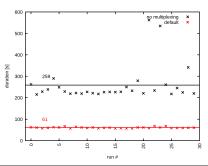
TASK [Multiplexing Benchmark] *******





TASK [Multiplexing Result] *********





```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "msg" : "factor 4.3"
}
```



```
[defaults]
forks = 5
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
   "forks": {
        "# of parallel processes": "# parallel hosts",
        "too few forks" : "multiplexing closed",
        "here":"no tests",
     }
}
```

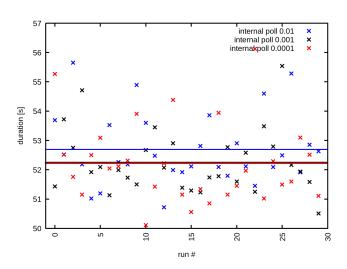


```
[defaults]
internal_poll_interval = 0.001
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
"interval" : "internal ansible process polling",
"msg" : "Greater interval means less CPU Load",
}
```

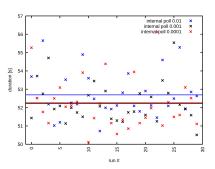
TASK [Internal Poll Benchmark] ********





TASK [Internal Poll Result] *********





```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "tweaking" : "here not really time wise improvement",
  "relevant" : "CPU load",
}
```

TASK [Categories of Optimization] ****** ATIX



```
ok: [localhost] => {
 "category": "layer8optimization"
```

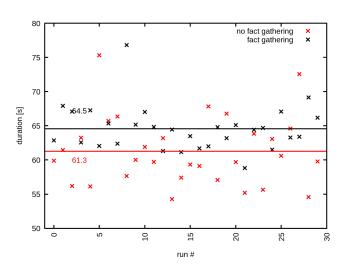



```
- hosts: web1
 gather_facts: no
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
"facts": "do I really need them?",
"facts": "do I need them now?",
"facts": "consider fact cache!",
```

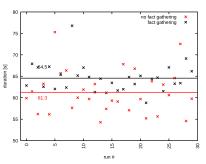
TASK [Fact Gathering Benchmark] ****** A





TASK [Fact Gathering Result] ********





```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "msg" : "it's bigger on the inside",
}
```



ansible-pull -U mygit.com/baseline baseline_playbook.yaml

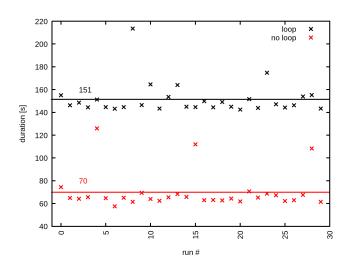
```
ok: [localhost] => {
   "use_pull": [
       "no need for ssh",
       "combine with Cron",
       "self managing host",
       ]
}
```

TASK [Do not loop] **************



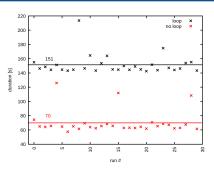
```
- name: Install packages in loop
  package:
    name: "{{ item }}"
    state: present
  loop: "{{ packages }}"

- name: Install packages without loop
  package:
    name: "{{ packages }}"
  state: present
```

TASK [Do not loop Result] **********





```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "list_of" : "6 packages",
  "factor" : " 2",
  "seems":" independently from package number",
}
```



```
ok: [localhost] => {
    "honorable_mentions": {
    "free strategy" : "might help",
    "server installation" : "golden image",
    "move" : "master close to slaves!",
    "general" : "optimize data flow",
    }
}
```

TASK [Categories of Optimization] ****** ATIX



```
ok: [localhost] => {
 "category": "Mitogen"
```

TASK [A small excursus] ***********



```
ok: [localhost] => {
   "msg": " o -> 0 -> 8 -> o o "
}
```

TASK [A small excursus] **********



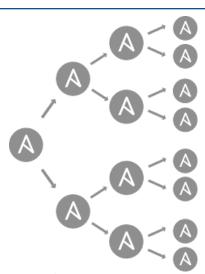
```
ok: [localhost] => {
   "msg": " o -> 0 -> 8 -> o o "
}
```

```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "msg": "division of cell nuclei, triggered by mitogen"
}
```

TASK [Mitogen]



```
ok: [localhost] => {
   "mitogen": {
     "described as" : "network-
   capable fork() on steroids",
     "replicate" : "itself",
     "distribute": "itself",
     "connection": "1/target",
     "runs": "ephemeral",
   }
}
```



src: mitogen docs

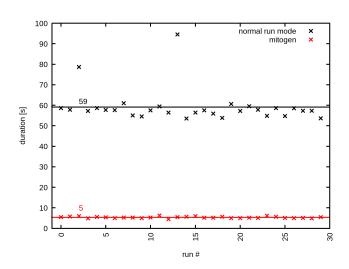
TASK [Mitogen] *************



```
[defaults]
strategy_plugins = /path/to/mitogen
strategy = mitogen_linear
```

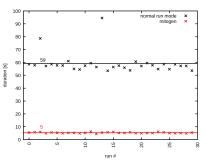
TASK [Mitogen Benchmark] *********





TASK [Mitogen Result]





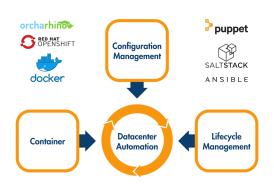
```
ok: [localhost] => {
   "msg": "factor 12",
   "docs claim": "factor 1.5 - 7"
}
```




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SSH Pipelining+
SSH Multiplexing 0
Fork+
Internal Poll 0
No Fact Gathering+
Pull mode+
Do not loop+
Async+
Free Strategy+
golden image+
wan to lan++
Mitogen++

30s, please ;-)





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TASK [Mitogen vs Pipelining] *********



```
ok: [localhost] => {
  "honorable_mentions": {
    "similarity" : "yes",
    "caching of code" : "mitogen",
    "python processes" : "reused in mitogen",
    "SSH stdio pipeline" : "reused in mitogen",
  }
}
```