Ansible-core 2.13 Porting Guide

This section discusses the behavioral changes between ansible-core 2.12 and ansible-core 2.13.

It is intended to assist in updating your playbooks, plugins and other parts of your Ansible infrastructure so they will work with this version of Ansible.

We suggest you read this page along with ansible-core Changelog for 2.13 to understand what updates you may need to make.

This document is part of a collection on porting. The complete list of porting guides can be found at ref. porting guides >porting guides>`.

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System Message: ERROR/3 (D:\onboarding-resources\sample-onboarding-resources\ansible-devel\docs\docsite\rst\porting_guides\(ansible-devel) (docs) (docsite) (rst) (porting_guides) porting_guide_core_2.13.rst, line 14); backlink

Unknown interpreted text role "ref".
```

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Playbook

• Templating - You can no longer perform arithmetic and concatenation operations outside of the jinja template. The following statement will need to be rewritten to produce [1, 2]:

```
- name: Prior to 2.13
  debug:
    msg: '[1] + {{ [2] }}'
- name: 2.13 and forward
  debug:
    msg: '{{ [1] + [2] }}'
```

- The return value of the __repr__ method of an undefined variable represented by the AnsibleUndefined object changed. {{ '%r'|format (undefined_variable) }} returns AnsibleUndefined (hint=None, obj=missing, name='undefined_variable') in 2.13 as opposed to just AnsibleUndefined in versions 2.12 and prior.
- The finalize method is no longer exposed in the globals for use in templating. To convert None to an empty string the following expression can be used: {{ value if value is not none }}.

Command Line

No notable changes

Deprecated

No notable changes

Modules

• To use ansible-core 2.13 for module execution, you must use Python 2 version 2.7 or Python 3 version 3.5 or newer. Any code utilizing ansible.module utils.basic will not function with lower Python versions.

Modules removed

The following modules no longer exist:

• No notable changes

Deprecation notices

No notable changes

Noteworthy module changes

No notable changes

Breaking Changes

• ansible.module_utils.urls.fetch_url will now return the captured HTTPError exception as r. HTTPError is a response like object that can offer more information to module authors. Modules should rely on info['status'] >= 400 to determine if there was a failure, instead of using r is None or catching AttributeError when attempting r.read().

Plugins

No notable changes

Porting custom scripts

No notable changes

Networking

No notable changes