

VirtualBox and Vagrant [14 Nov 2022 Homework]

The homework

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What is VirtualBox?

VirtualBox is a hypervisor used to run operating systems in a special environment, called a virtual machine, on top of the existing operating system.

What is Vagrant?

Vagrant is an open-source software product for building and maintaining portable virtual software development environments. Vagrant **IS NOT** a virtual machine provider so the user needs to have a provider as **VirtualBox**, **Hyper-V**, **Docker** or **VMware** to work with.

Installing VirtualBox in Arch Based Linux

1. Install the [VirtualBox](#) core packages

```
↳ sudo pacman virtualbox
```

2. Install host modules

Can use [virtualbox-host-modules-arch](#) for linux kernel

```
↳ sudo pacman virtualbox-host-modules-arch
```

or can use [virtualbox-host-dkms](#) for other kernels

```
↳ sudo pacman virtualbox-host-dkms
```

3. Install the appropriate headers package for the kernel

Example: For linux-lts kernel can use [linux-lts-headers](#)

```
↳ sudo pacman linux-lts-headers
```

4. Validate install

```
↳ virtualbox -h
Oracle VM VirtualBox VM Selector v7.0.2
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No special options.

If you are looking for --startvm and related options, you need to use VirtualBoxVM.</pre>
```

Installing Vagrant

5. Install the [Vagrant](#) package

```
↳ sudo pacman vagrant
```

6. Validate install

```
↳ vagrant -v
Vagrant 2.3.2</pre>
```

Using Vagrant

1. Start by exploring vagrant box subcommands

```
↳ vagrant box
Usage: vagrant box <subcommand> [<args>]

Available subcommands:
  add
```

```
list
outdated
prune
remove
repackage
update
```

For help on any individual subcommand run ``vagrant box <subcommand> -h``

```
--[no-]color           Enable or disable color output
--machine-readable      Enable machine readable output
-v, --version           Display Vagrant version
--debug                Enable debug output
--timestamp             Enable timestamps on log output
--debug-timestamp       Enable debug output with timestamps
--no-tty                Enable non-interactive output
```

2. Search for the box needed. It's possible to find many templates here

<https://app.vagrantup.com/boxes/search>

3. After you find the template add it to vagrant. Using ubuntu/focal64 as example

```
↳λ vagrant box add ubuntu/focal64
```

4. It can list all the local boxes ready to be mount in Vagrant using the following command

```
↳λ vagrant box list
generic/fedora35 (virtualbox, 4.2.2)
ubuntu/focal64  (virtualbox, 20221107.0.0)
```

5. Create a dir to store the config file for the box

```
↳λ mkdir ubuntu-vagrant-test
↳λ cd ubuntu-vagrant-test
```

6. In created dir intialize vagrant

```
↳λ vagrant init ubuntu/focal64
```

A ``Vagrantfile`` has been placed in this directory. You are now ready to ``vagrant up`` your first virtual environment! Please read the comments in the Vagrantfile as well as documentation on ``vagrantup.com`` for more information on using Vagrant.

7. Stand the virtual machine

```
↳λ vagrant up
```

8. Get inside command line of virtual machine

```
↳λ vagrant ssh
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.5 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0-131-generic x86_64)

- Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
- Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
- Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

System information as of Tue Nov 15 14:38:11 UTC 2022


System load: 0.0 Processes: 121
Usage of /: 3.5% of 38.70GB Users logged in: 0
Memory usage: 20% IPv4 address for enp0s3: 10.0.2.15
Swap usage: 0%

0 updates can be applied immediately.

The list of available updates is more than a week old.
To check for new updates run: sudo apt update
New release '22.04.1 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.

vagrant@ubuntu-focal:~
```

9. Open VirtualBox to watch it running

 Screenshot of virtualbox

10. To shutdown the virtual machine use

```
↳λ vagrant halt
```

11. To destroy the virtual machine use

```
↳λ vagrant destroy
```

Vagrant on Arch considerations

1. Be sure **Safe Virtual Machine** mode is enabled in your motherboard and OS

2. In case of finding this error:

The private key to connect to the machine via SSH must be owned by the user running Vagrant. This is a strict requirement from SSH itself. Please fix the following key to be owned by the user running Vagrant:

```
/mnt/specific_dir/.vagrant/machines/default/virtualbox/private_key
```

- If using NTFS format on file system, SSH won't work so it can be disabled on Vagrantfile adding this lines:

```
config.ssh.insert_key=false
```

- If using a Linux file system check status with:

```
stat /mnt/specific_dir/.vagrant/machines/default/virtualbox/private_key
```

Check actual user with:

```
id
```

Set owner with

```
chown '[username]' /mnt/specific_dir/.vagrant/machines/default/virtualbox/private
```

Architecture

"Más allá de los algoritmos y estructuras de datos de la computación; el diseño y especificación de la estructura global del sistema es un nuevo tipo de problema." **An introduction to Software Architecture, David Garlan & Mary Shaw**

Architecture, referring to software, is a concept that emerged in the 1960s and refers to planning based on models, patterns and theoretical abstractions, when creating a piece of software of a certain complexity and as a prior step to any implementation. In this way, we have a detailed theoretical guide that allows us to understand how each of the pieces of our product or service will fit together.

Therefore, in architecture we call a pattern any general and reusable solution for recurring problems in software engineering in a given context, they are similar to the patterns used in programming, but specifically oriented to the structure at a higher and more generic level.

Some design patterns

- Client-server pattern
- Layered pattern
- Master-slave pattern
- Model-View-Controller (MVC) pattern
- Broker pattern
- Pipelining pattern

([Read more...](#))

How Software Architecture is related to Enterprise Architecture

- Similarities
 - Methods for specifying architectures
 - Modeling language and meta models
 - Reuse approach
 - Using architecture templates & architecture patterns
- Differences

| Enterprise | Software |
|---|---|
| Business requirements based | Functional and technological requirements based |
| Multi-system vision approach | User cases approach |
| Business scenarios | Software frameworks |
| Business strategy & Business operation guided | Software lifecycle guided |