ANSIBLE LOOPS

- Ansible offers the **loop**, **with_<lookup>**, and **until** keywords to execute a task multiple time.
- Ansible supports iterating a task over a set of iteams using the loop keyword.

Examples: Changing ownership on several files and/or directories with the **file module**, creating multiple users with the **user module**, installing multiple packages using **apt or yum** module until a certain result is reached.

Example: (without looping)

- hosts: webservers

become: true

become_user: root

tasks:

- name: Apache is running

service:

name: httpd

state: started

- name: FTP is running

service:

name: vsftpd

state: started

Using LOOP:

```
hosts: webservers
become: true
become_user: root
tasks:

name: Apache & FTP are running
service:
name: "{{ item }}"
state: started
loop:

httpd
vsftpd

$ansible-playbook loop.yml -K
```

Loops over a list of variables (Hashes):

Example1:

hosts: webservers
become: true
become_user: root
vars:
my_services:
httpd
vsftpd

tasks:

```
- name: Apache & FTP are Running
  service:
    name: "{{ item }}"
    state: started
    loop: "{{ my_services }}"
...
```

Example2:

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- hosts: webservers
 become: true
 become_user: root
 tasks:
  - name: User Exist
   user:
    name: "{{ item.name }}"
    groups: "{{ item.groups }}"
   loop:
    - name: ram
      groups: ayodhya
    - name: ravan
      groups: lanka
    - name: sita
      groups: nepal
```

###Groups are exist in the agent
#groupadd ayodhya
#groupadd lanka
#groupadd nepal