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Activity 9: Install, Configure, and Man	age Performance Monitoring tools

1. Objectives

Create and design a workflow that installs, configure and manage enterprise performance tools using Ansible as an Infrastructure as Code (IaC) tool.

2. Discussion

Performance monitoring is a type of monitoring tool that identifies current resource consumption of the workload, in this page we will discuss multiple performance monitoring tool.

Prometheus

Prometheus fundamentally stores all data as timeseries: streams of timestamped values belonging to the same metric and the same set of labeled dimensions. Besides stored time series, Prometheus may generate temporary derived time series as the result of queries. Source: Prometheus - Monitoring system & time series database

Cacti

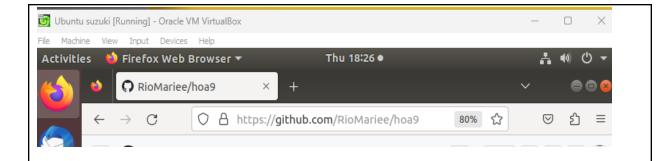
Cacti is a complete network graphing solution designed to harness the power of RRDTool's data storage and graphing functionality. Cacti provides a fast poller, advanced graph templating, multiple data acquisition methods, and user management features out of the box. All of this is wrapped in an intuitive, easy to use interface that makes sense for LAN-sized installations up to complex networks with thousands of devices. Source: Cacti® - The Complete RRDTool-based Graphing Solution

3. Tasks

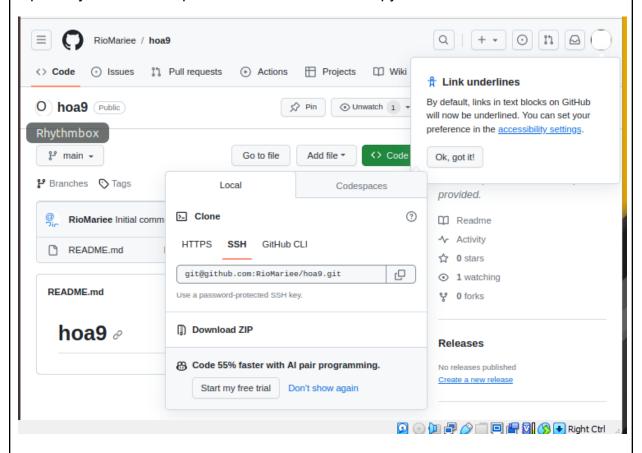
- 1. Create a playbook that installs Prometheus in both Ubuntu and CentOS. Apply the concept of creating roles.
- 2. Describe how you did step 1. (Provide screenshots and explanations in your report. Make your report detailed such that it will look like a manual.)
- 3. Show an output of the installed Prometheus for both Ubuntu and CentOS.
- 4. Make sure to create a new repository in GitHub for this activity.

4. Output (screenshots and explanations)

Step 1. First we open our virtual machines, and go to the main virtual machine's search engine then search github.com



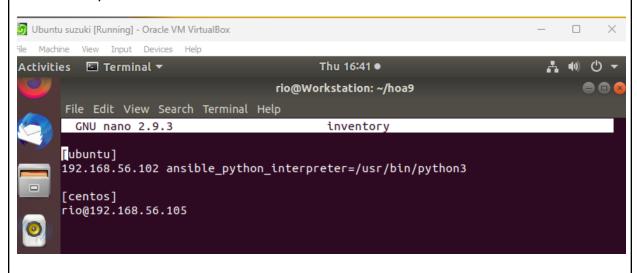
Step 2. Create a separate github repository for this activity and copy the link of the repository in the code option then select ssh and copy the url.



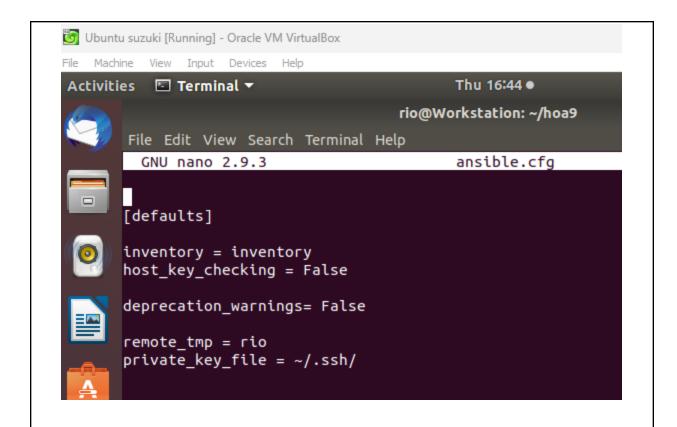
Step 3. After copying the url of the repository you can now clone it to the workstation's terminal using the command "git clone (paste the url here)"

```
rio@Workstation:~$ git clone git@github.com:RioMariee/hoa9.git
Cloning into 'hoa9'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 3, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (3/3), done.
rewelcome to Ubuntu delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 0
Receiving objects: 100% (3/3), done.
rio@Workstation:~$
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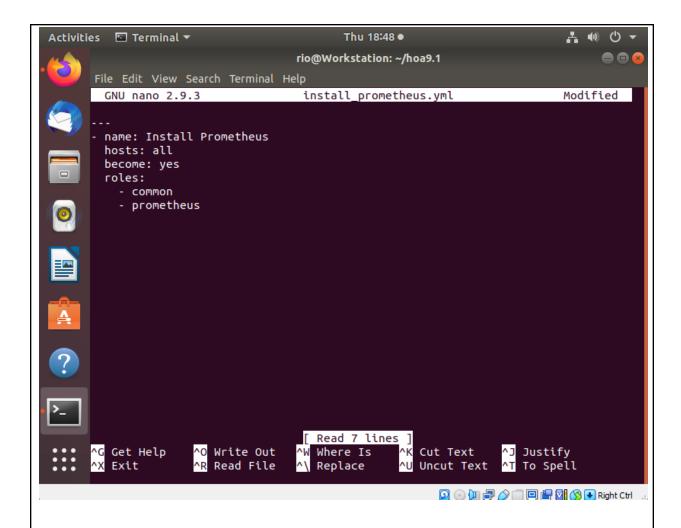
Step 4. After cloning the git hub repository we need to first create the inventory for the hands-on activity. This contains the ip addresses of the ubuntu and centos that we used in the previous activities.



Step 5. After creating the inventory we need to create the ansible.cfg which contains the defaults group, in which I just copied in the past hands on activity given to us.



Step 6. After that we need to make the install_prometheus.yml



Step 7. Next step is to create a directory structure for this activity. First we need to create roles by using the command "mkdir roles" and change the directory to roles.

```
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9$ mkdir roles
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9$ cd roles
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9/roles$
```

Step 8. After creating the roles we need to create 2 separate roles under the roles which are the common and prometheus.

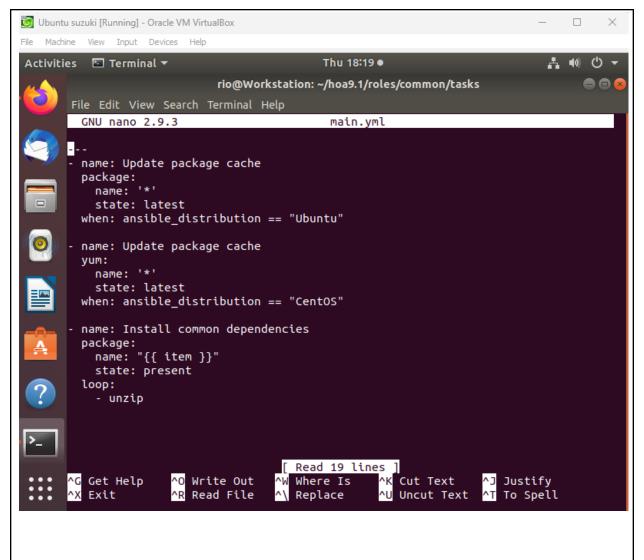
Step 9. After creating the common we will make another directory under the common name it as task we will put here the tasks that are both applicable on ubuntu and centOS, like updating packages and installing essential packages. After creating we will now go back to roles using the command "cd ..".

```
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9$ cd roles
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9/roles$ cd common
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9/roles/common$ mkdir tasks
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9/roles/common$ cd ..
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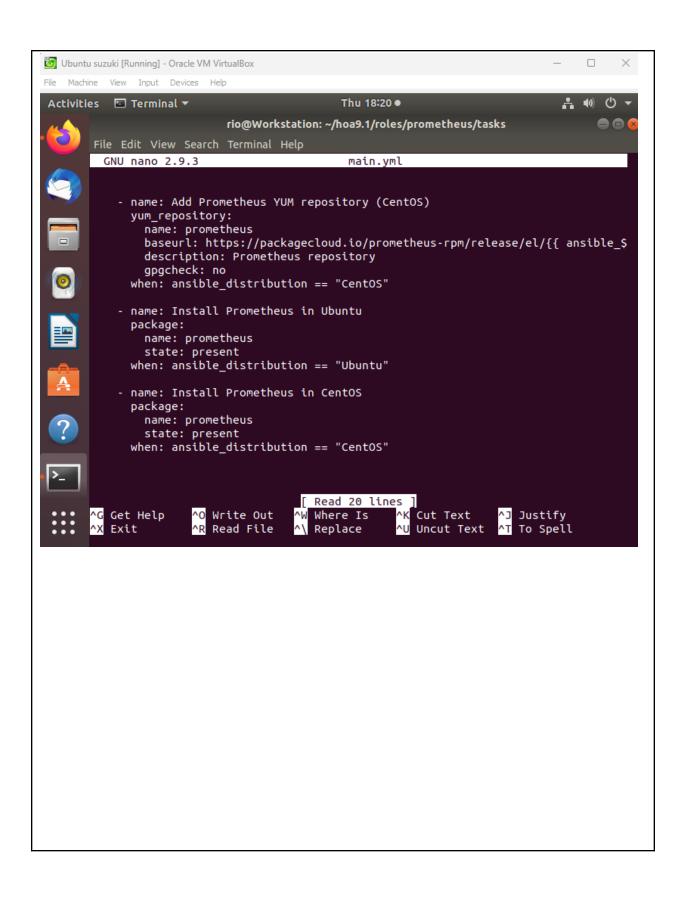
Step 10. In this step we will create the directory of prometheus under the roles which will contain the file of tasks that would be related to installing the prometheus.

```
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles/common$ cd ..
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles$ mkdir prometheus
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles$ cd prometheus
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles/prometheus$ mkdir tasks
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles/prometheus$ cd taks
bash: cd: taks: No such file or directory
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles/prometheus$ cd tasks
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles/prometheus$ sudo nano main.yml
```

Step 11. For the next step we will see the codes inside the main.yml of common under the roles.



Step 12. Next we will see the codes inside the main.yml of prometheus under the roles.



Step 13. To run the playbook to see if it's running we will use the command "ansible-playbook –ask-become-pass install_prometheus.yml" if there's no error in the output then the playbook has the right command. Here is the output of this playbook:

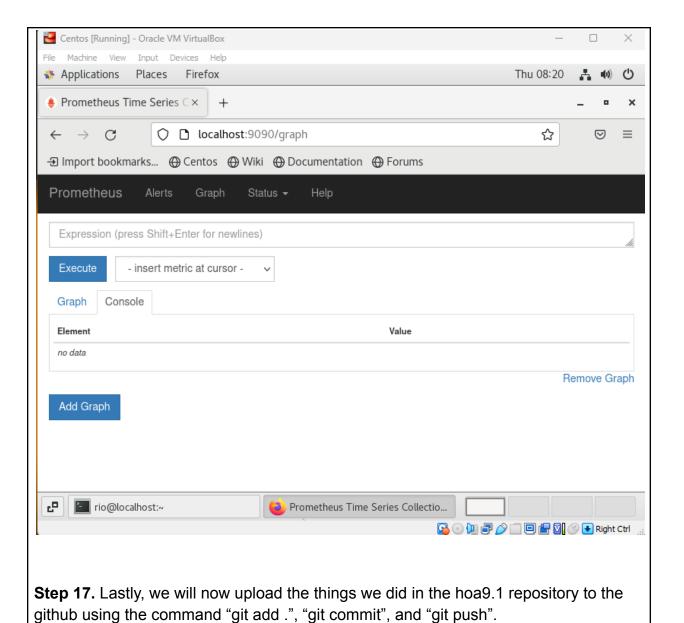
Step 14. Since we have no errors in the output we will then again check the tree if the tree is correct.

```
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1$ cd roles
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles$ tree

common
tasks
main.yml
prometheus
tasks
main.yml

4 directories, 2 files
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1/roles$
```

Step 15. We will also check in the firefox of the Server 1 and centOS. The command we will use is the "http:localhost:9090" Server1 [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox File Machine View Input Devices Help Thu 18:12 • ∄ •0) Ů ▼ Activities **№** Firefox Web Browser **▼** Prometheus Time Series (X) \leftarrow \rightarrow C localhost:9090/graph ₩ മ ≡ Prometheus ■ Enable query history Expression (press Shift+Enter for newlines) - insert metric at cursor -Graph Console Value Element no data Remove Graph Add Graph Step 16. We will also check in the Firefox of Server 1 and Firefox of centOS. The command we will use is the same in the server 1 which is the "http:localhost:9090".



```
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1$ git add .
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1$ git commit -m "hoa9.1"
[main e484565] hoa9.1
 5 files changed, 57 insertions(+)
 create mode 100644 ansible.cfg
 create mode 100644 install_prometheus.yml
 create mode 100644 inventory
 create mode 100644 roles/common/tasks/main.yml
 create mode 100644 roles/prometheus/tasks/main.yml
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1$ git push
Counting objects: 12, done.
Delta compression using up to 2 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (7/7), done.
Writing objects: 100% (12/12), 1.26 KiB | 1.26 MiB/s, done.
Total 12 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0)
To github.com:RioMariee/hoa9.1.git
   b9db6e3..e484565 main -> main
rio@Workstation:~/hoa9.1$
```

Repository Link: https://github.com/RioMariee/hoa9.1.git

Reflections:

Answer the following:

- 1. What are the benefits of having a performance monitoring tool?
 - Performance monitoring tools are important among industries, ensuring the seamless operation of IT systems. It is used in proactive issue detection, empowering efficient resource allocation, troubleshooting processes, and elevating the end-user experience. These tools serve as guardians of security, regulatory compliance, and optimal resource distribution. Their arsenal includes data analytics, predictive insights, and customizable alerts, empowering organizations with informed decision-making capabilities. Adaptable and equipped for remote monitoring, these tools meet the diverse operational demands of modern businesses. Furthermore, they excel in resource optimization, trimming expenses linked to downtime, and supporting adherence to service level agreements. In essence, integrating performance monitoring tools is a strategic necessity for dependable, efficient, and cost-effective IT systems, reinforcing the competitive edge and triumph of businesses across the spectrum.

Conclusions:

In conclusion, the pursuit of crafting a tailored workflow for the deployment, configuration, and maintenance of enterprise performance tools using Ansible as an Infrastructure as Code (IaC) instrument signifies a significant leap toward a more agile, resource-efficient, and robust infrastructure management approach. Through the leverage of Ansible's automation prowess, we've not only streamlined what were once intricate and time-consuming tasks associated with performance tools, but we've also laid the groundwork for standardized and scalable practices. The positive influence of this workflow manifests in various dimensions, most notably the substantial reduction in human errors, the nimble adaptability to evolving requirements, meticulous adherence to documentation and compliance norms, and the facilitation of collaborative efforts with enhanced version control. Moreover, the fiscal advantages, highlighted by cost savings and optimized resource allocation, underscore the immense importance of this approach. In essence, the integration of Ansible as an IaC tool for the administration of enterprise performance tools has firmly established itself as a cornerstone in modern infrastructure management. It fully embodies the core tenets of operational efficiency, unwavering reliability, and adaptive versatility, all of which are indispensable in upholding peak performance within the ever-evolving landscape of contemporary IT environments.

Assessment Rubrics

Criteria				Ra	Ratings								
SO 7 PI 1 Acquire and apply new knowledge from outside sources threshold: 4.8 pts				nal interests and did flourish outside rements,knowledge ces are pursued i		4 pts Satisfactory Look beyond classroom requirements, showing interest in pursuing knowledge independently		3 pts Unsatisfactory Begins to look beyond classroom requirements, showing interest in pursuing knowledge independently		2 pts Poor Relies on classroom instruction only		1 pts Very Poor No initiative or interest in acquiring new knowledge	6 pts
SO 7 PI 2 Learn independently. threshold: 4.8 pts	Excellent Completes an Good Completes an assigned task independently assigned task without		d task without	it minimal guidance to			3 pts Unsattsfactory Requires detailed or step-by-step instructions to complete a task		2 pts Poor Shows little interest to complete a task independently		1 pts Very Poor No interest to complete a task independently		
© SO 7 PI 3 Critical thinking in the broadest context of technological change threshold: 4.8 pts	6 pts Excellent Synthesizes and integrates information from a variety of sources; formulates a clear and precise perspective; draws appropriate conclusions	Goo infor varie form	5 pts Good Evaluate information from a variety of sources; formulates a clear and precise perspective.		4 pts Satisfactory Analyz information from a of sources; formulat clear and precise perspective.		a variety the gathered		2 pts Poor Gather a summarized th information fro of sources but formulate the	the from a variety ut failed to		1 pts Very Poor Gather information from a variety of sources	6 pt
SO 7 PI 4 Creativity and adaptability to new and emerging technologies threshold: 4.8 pts	new original and creative ways in line with and ada the new and emerging technology knowled		Good Ideas are cre and adapt the new knowledge to solve problem or address	d Ideas are creative adapt the new creative in so wledge to solve a lem or address an satisfactory creative in so problem, or a issue		olving a some creative ways to		ve ways to			1 pts Very Poor Ideas are copied or restated from the sources consulted		6 pts