

Manage Infrastructure using Chef

Configuration Management - Assignment 1 [Chef]

Note(s):

1. To complete this assignment, you need to create an account on https://manage.chef.io/

Task 1 (Get a Chef Server (Hosted Chef account))

- 1. Login to https://manage.chef.io/ and create a new account.
- 2. Once you confirm the email, login to https://manage.chef.io/ and explore your "Chef Organization".

Task 2 (Configure a Chef Workstation)

- 1. Access your hosted chef account and download "Chef Starter Kit"
- 2. Create a new VM (local or on any Cloud) and copy the starter kit on this VM. This machine will be configured as your Chef Workstation.
- 3. unzip starter kit under user's home folder.
- 4. Install "Chef Development Kit" on workstation (as per the OS flavor)
- 5. go inside chef-repo directory and run following command:

command: knife client list



Note(s): If you see a single output without any error message that means the workstation configuration is completed successfully.



Task 3 (Bootstrap a Chef Node)

- 1. Create a new VM (local or on any cloud). Configure its hostname as "node-a".
- 2. bootstrap this node to your chef ecosystem, using knife bootstrap command.
- 3. Check if you are able see this node via the following command on your workstation:

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Command: knife node list
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4. Check if you can see this node listed under nodes on your chef Web UI.

Task 4 (Recipes and Cookbooks)

- 1. Write a recipe to install git, tree, and zip on a chef node. The recipe should be tested on both Ubuntu and CentOS flavours.
- 2. Write a recipe to create a file ""/tmp/test1" using a string. File should be created only if "/tmp/file-x" is not present. Test this recipe in both conditions when file-x is present and when it's absent.
- 3. Write a recipe to install "ntp" package only on systems running CentOS
- 4. Write a recipe to manage Nginx web server in such a way that Nginx service is reloaded every time a change is pushed to its configuration file (/etc/nginx/nginx.conf).

Hint: use notifies and subscribes notifications