

ANSIBLE DOCUMENTATION

1. Installation of Ansible

sudo apt-get update

sudo apt-get install ansible -y

```
PS D:\Ansible> wsl
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ansible --version
ansible 2.10.8
  config file = None
  configured module search path = ['/home/cesar/.ansible/plugins/modules', '/usr/share/ansible/plugins/modules']
  ansible python module location = /usr/lib/python3/dist-packages/ansible
  executable location = /usr/bin/ansible
  python version = 3.10.12 (main, Jun 11 2023, 05:26:28) [GCC 11.4.0]
```

2. Set up SSH keys

ssh-keygen -t rsa

ssh-copy-id vagrant@192.168.33.15

```
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ssh vagrant@192.168.33.15
Linux bullseye 5.10.0-32-amd64 #1 SMP Debian 5.10.223-1 (2024-08-10) x86_64

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permitted by applicable law.
Last login: Tue Sep 24 09:18:47 2024 from 10.0.2.2
vagrant@bullseye:~$
```

3. Create an inventory file and run Ansible ad-hoc command

```
> cesar@MFSPUSLACNT: /mnt/d/Ansible
web_servers
192.168.33.15 ansible_ssh_user=vagrant
```

```
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ansible -i hosts.ini -m ping all
192.168.33.15 | SUCCESS => {
  "ansible_facts": {
    "discovered_interpreter_python": "/usr/bin/python3"
  },
  "changed": false,
  "ping": "pong"
}
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$
```

4. Create INGNIX Playbook and run the Playbook

```
esar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ cat nginx_playbook.yml
--
hosts: web_server
become: yes
tasks:
  - name: Install Nginx
    apt:
      name: nginx
      state: present
  - name: Starting Nginx
    service:
      name: nginx
      state: started
      enabled: yes
```

```
esar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ansible-playbook -i hosts.ini nginx_playbook.yml

PLAY [web_server] *****
TASK [Gathering Facts] *****
ok: [192.168.33.15]
TASK [Install Nginx] *****
changed: [192.168.33.15]
TASK [Starting N] *****
ok: [192.168.33.15]
PLAY RECAP *****
192.168.33.15 : ok=3 changed=1 unreachable=0 failed=0 skipped=0 rescued=0 ignored=0
```

5. Verify Nginx Installation

⚠ Not secure 192.168.33.15

Welcome to nginx!

If you see this page, the nginx web server is successfully installed and working. Further configuration is required.

For online documentation and support please refer to nginx.org.
Commercial support is available at nginx.com.

Thank you for using nginx.

6. Create a user to sudoers group using Ansible and copy SSH keys

```
---
- hosts: web_server
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: Create user joe
      user:
        name: joe
        shell: /bin/bash
        groups: sudo
    - name: Create .ssh directory for 'joe'
      file:
        path: /home/joe/.ssh
        state: directory
        owner: joe
        group: joe
        mode: '0700'
    - name: Set up SSH authorized keys for 'joe'
      copy:
        src: /home/cesar/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
        dest: /home/joe/.ssh/authorized_keys
        owner: joe
        group: joe
        mode: '0600'
```

```
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ansible-playbook -i hosts.ini user_playbook.yml

PLAY [web_server] *****
TASK [Gathering Facts] *****
ok: [192.168.33.15]
TASK [Create user joe] *****
ok: [192.168.33.15]
TASK [Create .ssh directory for 'joe'] *****
changed: [192.168.33.15]
TASK [Set up SSH authorized keys for 'joe'] *****
changed: [192.168.33.15]
PLAY RECAP *****
192.168.33.15 : ok=4 changed=2 unreachable=0 failed=0 skipped=0 rescued=0 ignored=0
```

```
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ssh joe@192.168.33.15
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joe@bullseye:~$
joe@bullseye:~$
joe@bullseye:~$ exit
```

7. Deploy a based web application using Ansible.

- Welcome page

```
GNU nano 6.2
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Welcome</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Welcome to My Web Application!</h1>
  <p>This is the welcome page deployed using Ansible</p>
  <a href="about.html">About</a>
</body>
</html>
```

- About page

```
GNU nano 6.2
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>About</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>About This Application</h1>
  <p>This is the about page.</p>
  <a href="welcome.html">Home</a>
</body>
</html>
```

- webapp deployment playbook

```
--
name: Deploy HTML Web Application
hosts: web_server
become: yes
tasks:
  - name: Copy HTML files to Nginx web directory
    copy:
      src: "{{ item }}"
      dest: /var/www/html/
      owner: www-data
      group: www-data
      mode: '0644'
    with_items:
      - welcome.html
      - about.html
```

- Run the playbook

```
cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible/html_files$ ansible-playbook -i ../hosts.ini webapp_deployment.yml

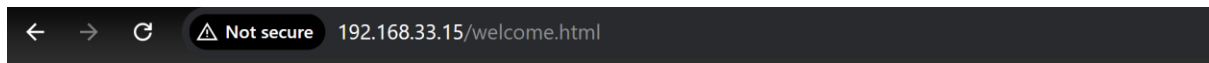
PLAY [Deploy HTML Web Application] *****

TASK [Gathering Facts] *****
ok: [192.168.33.15]

TASK [Copy HTML files to Nginx web directory] *****
changed: [192.168.33.15] => (item=welcome.html)
changed: [192.168.33.15] => (item=about.html)

PLAY RECAP *****
192.168.33.15 : ok=2    changed=1    unreachable=0    failed=0    skipped=0    rescued=0    ignored=0
```

- Verify the Web Application

A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows a back arrow, a forward arrow, a refresh icon, a warning icon with the text "Not secure", and the URL "192.168.33.15/welcome.html".

Welcome to My Web Application!

This is the welcome page deployed using Ansible

[About](#)

A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows a back arrow, a forward arrow, a refresh icon, a warning icon with the text "Not secure", and the URL "192.168.33.15/about.html".

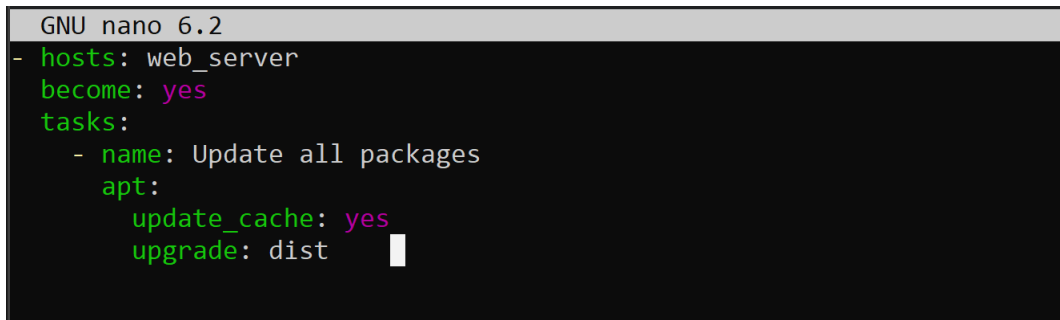
About This Application

This is the about page.

[Home](#)

8. Automate the process of updating all packages on the remote server.

- Update package playbook

A screenshot of a terminal window showing the GNU nano 6.2 text editor. The editor contains an Ansible playbook with the following content:

```
GNU nano 6.2
- hosts: web_server
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: Update all packages
      apt:
        update_cache: yes
        upgrade: dist
```

- Cron job for updating the package playbook

```

- name: Set up cron job for system updates
  hosts: web_server
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: Schedule system update
      cron:
        name: "system update"
        minute: "0"
        hour: "3" # Runs at 3 AM daily
        job: "ansible-playbook /mnt/d/Ansible/system_update.yml"
        user: "vagrant"

```

```

cesar@MFSPUSLACNT:/mnt/d/Ansible$ ansible-playbook -i hosts.ini cron_jon.yml
PLAY [Set up cron job for system updates] *****
TASK [Gathering Facts] *****
ok: [192.168.33.15]
TASK [Schedule system update] *****
changed: [192.168.33.15]
PLAY RECAP *****
192.168.33.15 : ok=2 changed=1 unreachable=0 failed=0 skipped=0 rescued=0 ignored=0

```

- Check the crontab on the remote server

```

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Last login: Tue Sep 24 13:31:30 2024 from 192.168.33.1
vagrant@bullseye:~$ crontab -l
#Ansible: system update
0 3 * * * ansible-playbook /mnt/d/Ansible/system_update.yml
vagrant@bullseye:~$

```