

How to disable Host Key Checking in Ansible ?

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Host Key Checking

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$ ssh -i "dowithscripting.pem" ec2-user@ec2-54-173-27-110.compute-1.amazonaws.com
The authenticity of host 'ec2-54-173-27-110.compute-1.amazonaws.com (54.173.27.110)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:Gq2bi5kNCS6lgYkVeRnuRHgn8/x6pEvPQX60R+WDS4Y.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? |
```

- **export ANSIBLE_HOST_KEY_CHECKING=False**

```
[defaults]  
host_key_checking = False
```

- **We can also pass in inventory but we will discuss this while working with hosts/inventory variables.**

Thank you

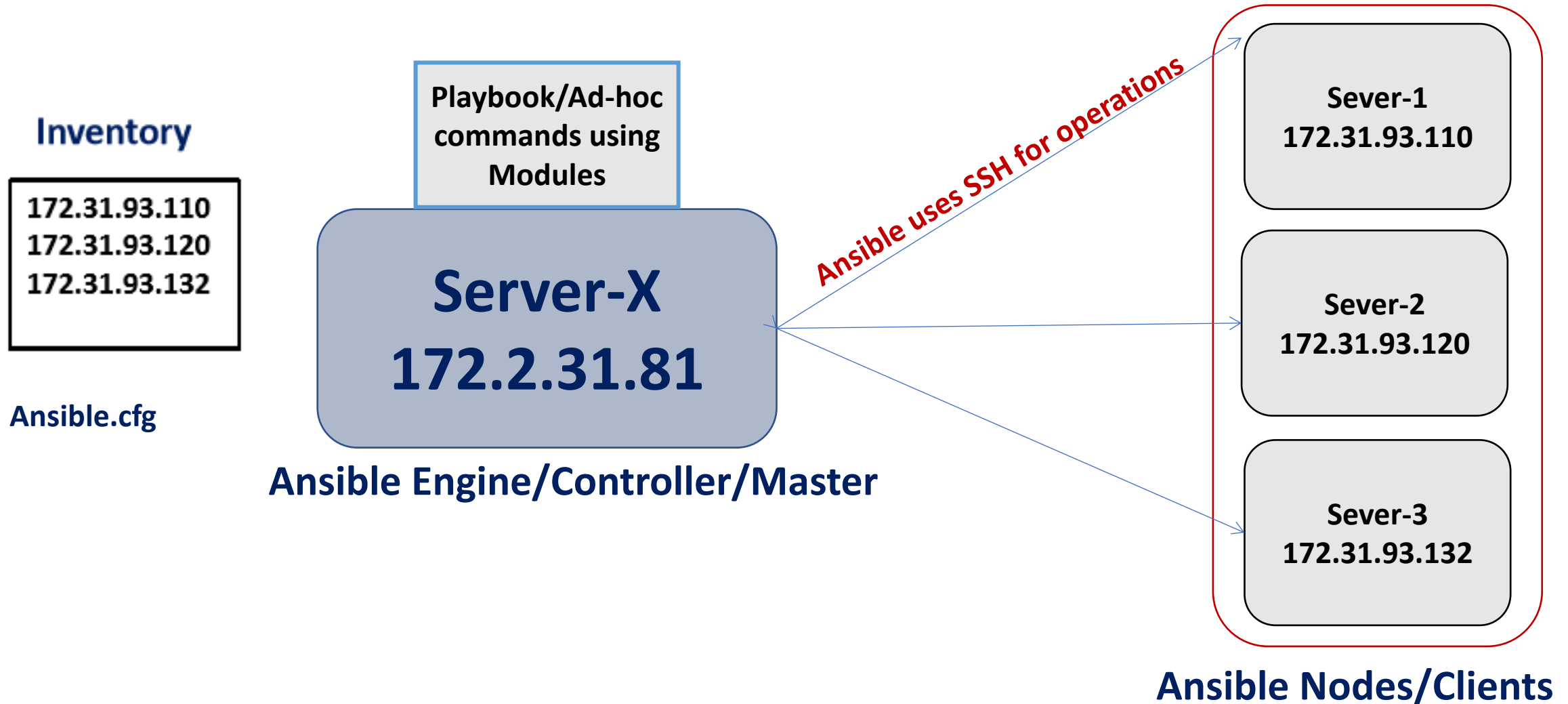
```
/etc/ansible/  
├── ansible.cfg  
├── hosts  
└── roles
```

- **/etc/ansible** — The default ansible home directory, which consist of:
 - **ansible.cfg**
 - **hosts**
 - **roles**

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Simple Ansible Architecture



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 - Location of inventory file
 - `host_key_checking` as `False`
- The default location is: `/etc/ansible/ansible.cfg`
- But we can define ansible configuration file in different location and for this there is a priority for this files.
- Locations with priority(starting from top to bottom):
 - `ANSIBLE_CONFIG` environment variable
 - `./ansible.cfg` from the current directory
 - `~/.ansible.cfg` file present in home directory
 - `/etc/ansible/ansible.cfg` **default ansible.cfg file.**
- **Ansible will only use the configuration settings from the file which is found in this sequence first, it will not look for the settings in the higher sequence files if the setting is not present in the file which is chosen for deployment.**