Production installation guide for an HEIG-VD Ubuntu virtual machine

Here you can see the steps I followed to install production ubuntu web server.

Versions

Tool	Version
Ubuntu	20.04.4 LTS
Apache	
Supervisord	
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PHP	8.1.8
Composer	2.3.9
Docker	4.10.1
Docker Compose	
Curl	
Open SSL	

Requirements

Before every thing, you need to follow the deployment guide available on the project README: \ https://github.com/heig-fablab/fablab-manager/blob/main/README.md

Usefull commands

Know hostname:

hostname -f

Apache server commands:

sudo systemctl stop apache2
sudo systemctl start apache2
sudo systemctl restart apache2
sudo systemctl reload apache2

Apache host configuration commands:

sudo a2ensite your_domain.conf
udo a2dissite your_domain.conf
udo apache2ctl configtest

Production architecture schema

Here is a schema that represents production architecture:

SSH Connection

To start, connect yourself in ssh to the server. To do this, you need to be in HEIG-VD network. \ If you are not, use a VPN and login yourself with your credentials. Here is the command:

ssh <user>@<hostname>

Update packages

First thing to do is to update and upgrade package managers:

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt update
apt list --upgradable
sudo apt update
sudo apt upgrade -y
```

Setup for ssh and Creating a new user

I followed the following tutorial: \ https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/initial-server-setup-with-ubuntu-20-04

Create user

```
adduser fablab-admin
sudo usermod -aG sudo fablab-admin
```

Enable firewall

```
ufw allow OpenSSH
ufw enable
ufw status
```

Add usefull tools

Open ssl

Verify if already installed:

```
openssl version -a
```

If not, run:

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get upgrade
```

Then:

```
sudo apt-get install libssl-dev
```

Curl

To install curl run:

```
sudo apt install curl
```

Project setup

Git installation

First install git:

```
sudo apt-get install git-all
```

Verify if it is installed:

```
git version
```

Clone of GitHub project

Get project git url here (HTTPS):

```
https://github.com/heig-fablab/fablab-manager
```

Create future folder that will contain all apache websites:

```
sudo mkdir /srv/apache2
cd /srv/apache2
```

Clone project:

```
sudo git clone https://github.com/heig-fablab/fablab-manager.git
cd fablab-manager/
```

If asked, run this command:

```
git config --global --add safe.directory /var/www/fablab-manager
```

Pull project:

```
sudo git pull
```

PHP installation

PHP is required to run the project. To do this, you can follow this tutorial: \ https://computingforgeeks.com/how-to-install-php-on-ubuntu-linux-system/

Install needs to get PHP:

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt install lsb-release ca-certificates apt-transport-https software-properties-common -y
sudo add-apt-repository ppa:ondrej/php
```

Update package manager:

```
sudo apt update
```

Install PHP 8.1:

```
sudo apt install php8.1
```

Verify php is installed:

```
php --version
```

See all extension available:

```
sudo apt install php8.1-<TAB> -> to watch extension
```

Install following extensions:

```
sudo apt install php8.1-{mbstring,xml,bcmath,mysql,curl}
sudo apt-get install php8.1 libapache2-mod-php8.1
```

See all modules installed with following command:

```
php --modules
```

Verify you have installed the following extensions: * BCMath * Ctype * Fileinfo * JSON * Mbstring * OpenSSL * PDO * Tokenizer * XML

Composer installation

Verify you are in the project folder:

```
cd /srb/apache2/fablab-manager
```

Install composer:

```
sudo apt-get install composer
```

Install project dependencies:

```
composer install
```

Generate self-signed certificate

We only needs self-signed certificate in this project because HEIG-VD already provides a valid SSL / TLS certificate. \

First create the folder that will contain the certificate and the key:

```
mkdir /etc/apache2/certificate/
cd /etc/apache2/certificate/
```

Then generate the certificate and the key:

```
openssl req -new -newkey rsa:4096 -x509 -sha256 -days 365 -nodes -out apache-certificate.crt -keyout a
```

Docker & Docker Compose Installation

I followed these tutorials to install Docker: $\$ https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/ubuntu/ https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/how-to-install-and-use-docker-on-ubuntu-20-04-fr https://docs.docker.com/compose/install/compose-plugin/#install-using-the-repository

Upgrade dependencies:

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt upgrade
sudo apt-get update
```

Install Docker:

```
sudo apt-get install docker-ce docker-ce-cli containerd.io docker-compose-plugin
```

Verify Docker is installed:

```
sudo docker run hello-world
```

Verify Docker Compose version:

```
sudo docker compose version
```

Database is running inside a docker container. I created a docker composer containing: * A MySQL database * An Adminer * An MySQL container that perform backups

We need to start this Docker-compose, to do this, first go in mysql folder:

```
cd /srv/apache2/fablab-manager/mysql
```

Prepare Docker-compose with env file:

```
sudo cp .env.example .env
sudo nano .env
```

Change these entries to match the Laravel app configuration:

```
DB_DATABASE=<bd name>
DB_USERNAME=<username | fablab-admin>
DB_PASSWORD=<password>
DB_ADMINER_PORT=8080

DB_VOLUME_PATH=/home/<example-user | fablab-admin>/mysqldata:/var/lib/mysql

DB_DUMP_TARGET=/home/<example-user | fablab-admin>/mysqldump:/var/lib/mysql
```

Run containers:

```
sudo docker compose up -d
```

Setup Laravel project

Copy production .env to create it:

```
sudo cp .env.prod.example .env
```

Modify it with:

```
sudo nano .env
```

The following entries are the one to change (To obtain the values, contact Yves Chevallier):

```
DB_PASSWORD=<password from fablab-admin>
LARAVEL_WEBSOCKETS_SSL_LOCAL_CERT=/etc/apache2/certificate/apache-certificate.crt
LARAVEL_WEBSOCKETS_SSL_LOCAL_PK=/etc/apache2/certificate/apache.key
KEYCLOAK_REALM_PUBLIC_KEY=<realm public key>
```

Add some rights:

```
sudo chown -R root:www-data storage
sudo chown -R fablab-admin:www-data storage
sudo chmod -R g+rwX storage
sudo chmod g+s storage
```

Generate project keys:

```
sudo php artisan key:generate

Add job category images to storage for seeding:

sudo mkdir storage/app/public/images

cd job-categories-images

sudo cp cat1.jpg cat2.jpg cat3.jpg cat4.jpg cat5.jpg cat6.jpg cat7.jpg cat8.jpg cat9.jpg ../storage/ap

cd ..

Run all base migrations:

sudo php artisan migrate --seed

Clear config:
```

Run project:

sudo php artisan up

sudo php artisan config:clear

Apache

Now we arrive in a big part, we will setup Apache.

Apache installation

First, I followed the following tutorial to install Apache: \ https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/how-to-install-the-apache-web-server-on-ubuntu-20-04

I followed these steps.

1. Update package manager

sudo apt update

2. Install Apache 2

sudo apt install apache2

3. Adjust firewall

```
sudo ufw app list
sudo ufw allow 'Apache'
sudo ufw status
```

4. Check web server

sudo systemctl status apache2

Apache Create Virtual Host file

We create a Virtual Host to keep Apache config intact. \ It also provides the possibility to have more than one configuration at a time. \ We can also have multiple websites running.

1. Add rights to the project folder

```
sudo chown -R $USER:$USER /srv/apache2/fablab-manager
sudo chmod -R 755 /srv/apache2/fablab-manager
```

2. Create configuration file .conf

sudo touch /etc/apache2/sites-available/fablab-manager.conf

Apache configuration

For SSL / TLS configuration, I followed this tutorial: \ https://techexpert.tips/apache/enable-https-apache/

For reverse proxy configuration, I mainly followed these docs: \t https://ghostscypher.medium.com/running-laravel-websockets-in-production-def368a84d56 \t https://ghostscypher.medium.com/running-laravel-websockets-in-production-setting-up-websockets-for-a-single-application-9d800c27926 \t https://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/en/mod/mod_proxy_wstunnel.html

1. To configure your Apache Virtual Host, open .conf file:

sudo nano /etc/apache2/sites-available/fablab-manager.conf

TODO: update

2. Add the following configuration

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
       # Redirection to port 443
       RewriteEngine On
       RewriteCond %{HTTPS} !=on
       RewriteRule ^/?(.*) https://%{SERVER_NAME}/$1 [R=301,L]
</VirtualHost>
<VirtualHost *:443>
       # Server information
       ServerAdmin alec.berney@heig-vd.ch
       ServerName tb22-berney.einet.ch
       ServerAlias tb22-berney.heig-vd.ch
       # Inform where the website is stored
       DocumentRoot /srv/apache2/fablab-manager/public
       # Give rights and options to website folder
        <Directory /srv/apache2//fablab-manager/public>
                Require all granted
                AllowOverride All
                Options -Indexes +FollowSymLinks +MultiViews
        </Directory>
       # Setup Proxy for websockets
       ProxyPass "/app/" "ws://127.0.0.1:6000/app/"
       ProxyPass "/apps/" "http://127.0.0.1:6000/apps/"
       # Setup Apache logs
       ErrorLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/error.log
       CustomLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/access.log combined
       # Setup SSL / TLS with certificate and key
       SSLEngine on
       SSLCertificateFile /etc/apache2/certificate/apache-certificate.crt
       SSLCertificateKeyFile /etc/apache2/certificate/apache.key
</VirtualHost>
```

3. Reload Apache config

sudo systemctl reload apache2

4. Open ports

```
sudo ufw allow 443
```

Extern processes

We will use to the **Supervisor** tool to manage external processes to website such as Laravel Websockets and Laravel queue. I chose this tool because he can easily be integrated to a docker later.

Supervisord installation

I followed these tutorial to install Supervisor: \ http://supervisord.org/installing.html https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/how-to-install-and-manage-supervisor-on-ubuntu-and-debian-vps

You just need to run:

```
sudo apt install supervisor
```

You will perhaps have some issue with supervisor when trying to running **supervisorctl** commands, so here is a ref: \https://github.com/Supervisor/supervisor/issues/491

Here is a way to fix it:

```
sudo nano /etc/supervisor/supervisord.conf
```

Remove comments at following line: \ serverurl=unix:///tmp/supervisor.sock; use a unix:// URL for a unix socket

Remove:

```
; use a unix:// URL for a unix socket
```

Laravel email queue

Create a new file .conf file:

```
sudo nano /etc/supervisor/conf.d/laravel-queue.conf
```

Add these lines:

```
[program:laravel-queue]
process_name=%(program_name)s_%(process_num)02d
command=sudo /usr/bin/php /srv/apache2/fablab-manager/artisan queue:work --daemon
user=fablab-admin
autostart=true
autorestart=true
numprocs=1
startsecs=0
redirect_stderr=true
stdout_logfile=/srv/apache2/fablab-manager/storage/logs/worker.log
```

Laravel Websockets

To add Laravel Websockets program to Supervisor, I followed this doc: \ https://beyondco.de/docs/laravel-websockets/basic-usage/starting

Create a new file .conf file:

```
sudo nano /etc/supervisor/conf.d/laravel-websockets.conf
```

Add these lines:

```
[program:laravel-websockets]
process_name=%(program_name)s_%(process_num)02d
command=sudo /usr/bin/php /srv/apache2/fablab-manager/artisan websockets:serve --port=6000
user=fablab-admin
numprocs=1
autostart=true
autorestart=true
```

Reload Supervisor config:

sudo supervisorctl reread
sudo supervisorctl update

Verify that everything is working:

sudo supervisorctl status