

Verification and Validation Testing with Ansible and Goss

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A band of Linux SysAdmins, they overclock their Amps and put thermal paste on their strings.

📍 Hampshire, UK 🔗 github.com/dev-null-and-t... 🕒 Born 1 January 1970

📅 Joined June 2019

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Heatwave 2019 at The Bird Cage

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Martha Reeves & The Vandellas ~ Heat Wave (1963) Written by Holland-Dozier-Holland.

The world of Enterprise



SC Cleared Automation Consultant (Contract)

NATS

Jun 2018 – Dec 2019 · 1 yr 7 mos

Whiteley, Fareham

Automation Engineer using Ansible and Puppet.



SC Cleared Linux Specialist Consultant (Contract)

Arqiva

Aug 2016 – Jun 2018 · 1 yr 11 mos

Winchester

Redhat Satellite 5.x 6.x and Linux Security and patching, puppet, infrastructure as code



Linux Engineer - Critical National Infrastructure

National Grid

May 2016 – Aug 2016 · 4 mos

Wokingham

Redhat Satellite 6 (Katello, Foreman and Puppet) proof of concept and automated builds.



Senior Infrastructure Engineer - The Logic Group

Barclays

Jul 2014 – May 2016 · 1 yr 11 mos

Fleet - Hampshire

Linux Builds, Projects and Automation. Redhat Satellite 5.x 6.x and Linux Security.



Linux Systems Administrator

Visa Europe

Oct 2012 – Jun 2014 · 1 yr 9 mos

Basingstoke



SC Cleared Linux Systems Engineer

QinetiQ

Oct 2010 – Nov 2012 · 2 yrs 2 mos

Security cleared to SC level



SC Cleared Linux Systems Administrator

Accenture

Feb 2006 – Sep 2010 · 4 yrs 8 mos

Hampshire

Security cleared to SC level



IT Support Engineer

Torotrak

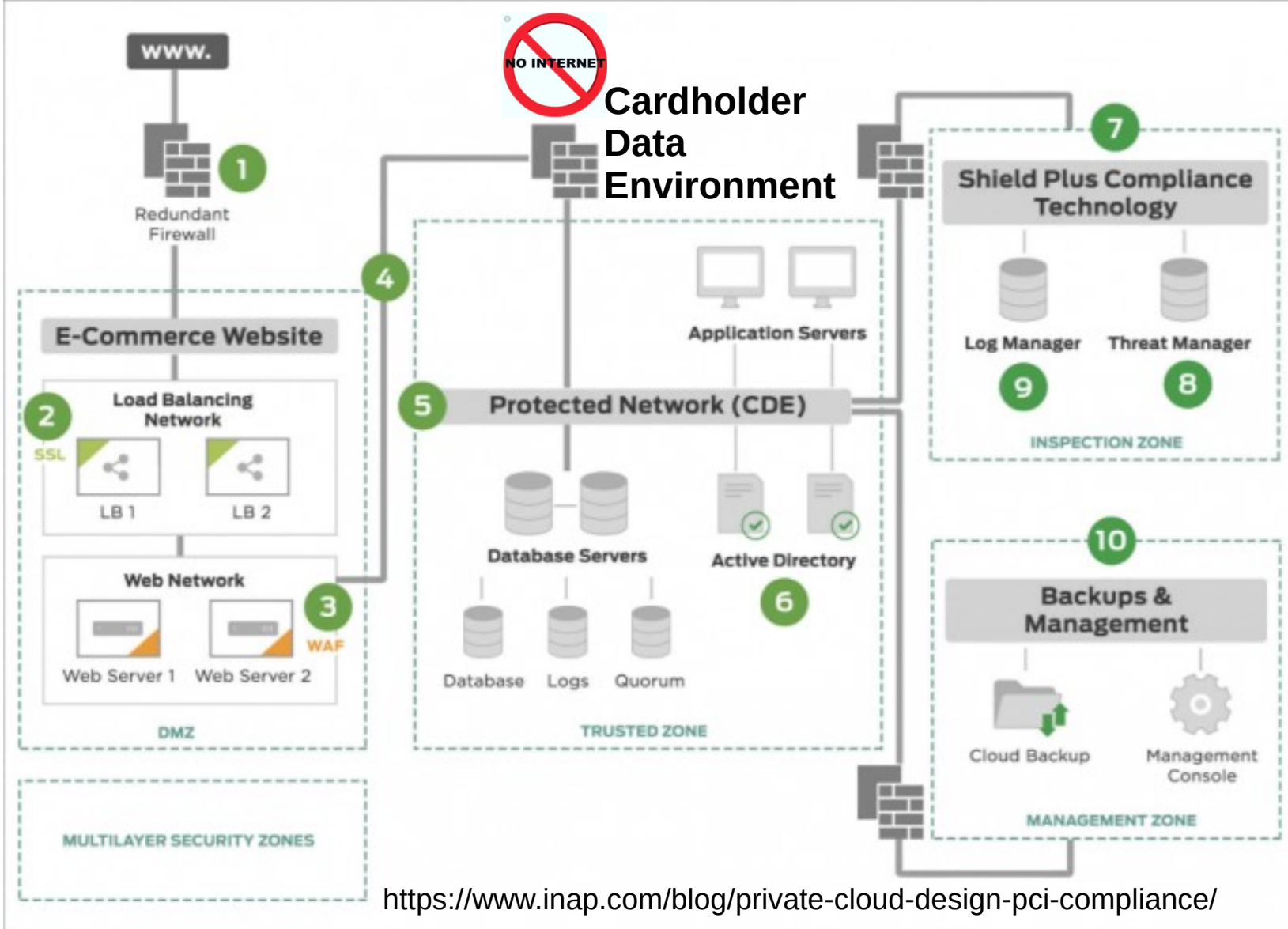
2003 – 2006 · 3 yrs



ISP Support Analyst

BT

Jan 2000 – Jan 2003 · 3 yrs 1 mo



OPSWAT

Meta Defender Platform

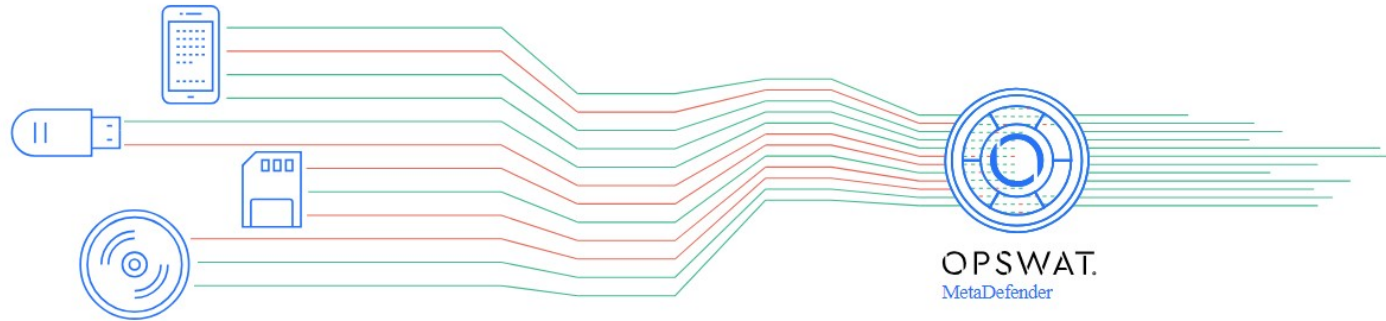
Modern enterprises of all types and sizes face an increasing number of challenges from major attack vectors, including email, BYOD, the Cloud, and web portals. OPSWAT created a platform for preventing and detecting cyber security threats on multiple data channels and devices. The platform is powered by patented technologies and is controlled by a flexible workflow engine to efficiently prevent advanced threats. OPSWAT main use cases include isolated network protection, web and email security, and secure device access.

**Trust no file.
Trust no device**

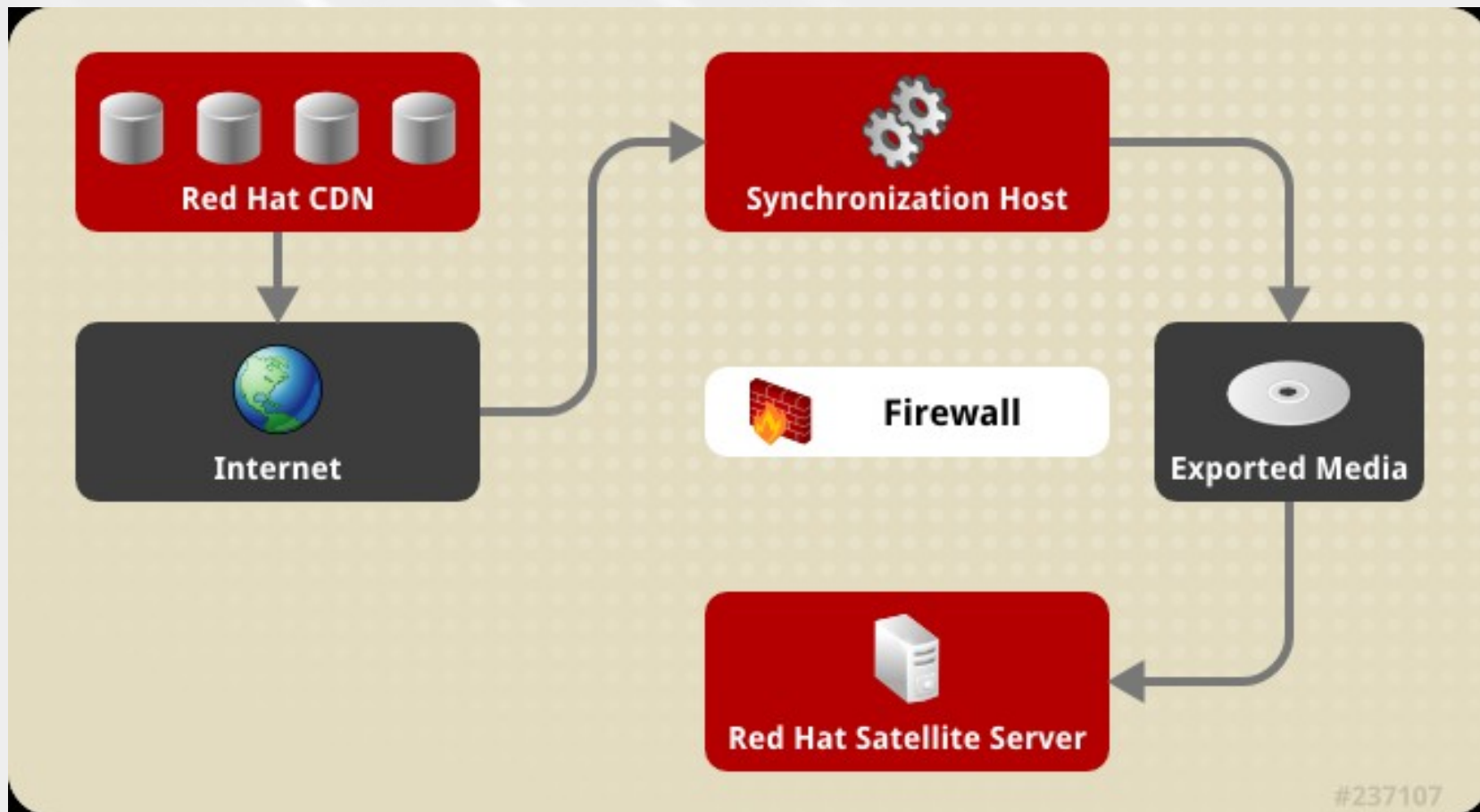
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Isolated Network Protection

Critical networks are especially challenging for security practitioners because isolated and air-gapped networks are vulnerable to attacks from portable media and other file transfer technologies. OPSWAT creates a secure end-to-end process for transferring files to and from isolated networks, which is widely used in manufacturing, energy, government, banking, pharmaceutical, and entertainment industries.



Disconnected Satellite Red Hat Satellite 6.x



Separation of Duties

Data Security, Regulation & Compliance

The basic principle of separation of duties is that no individual person, role, or group, should be able to execute all parts of a transaction or process.

A single person should not be judge, jury, and executioner.

- **Linux Team**
- **Windows Team**
- **Database Team**
- **Virtualization Team**
- **Storage Team**
- **Network Team**
- **Security & Firewall Team**





Dev – Environments

- Laptop/Workstation
- Development Labs

Test - Environments

- DIT - Development Integration Testing
- RIT - Rational Integration Testing
- SIT - System Integration Testing
- PIT - Performance Integration Testing
- UAT - User Acceptance Testing

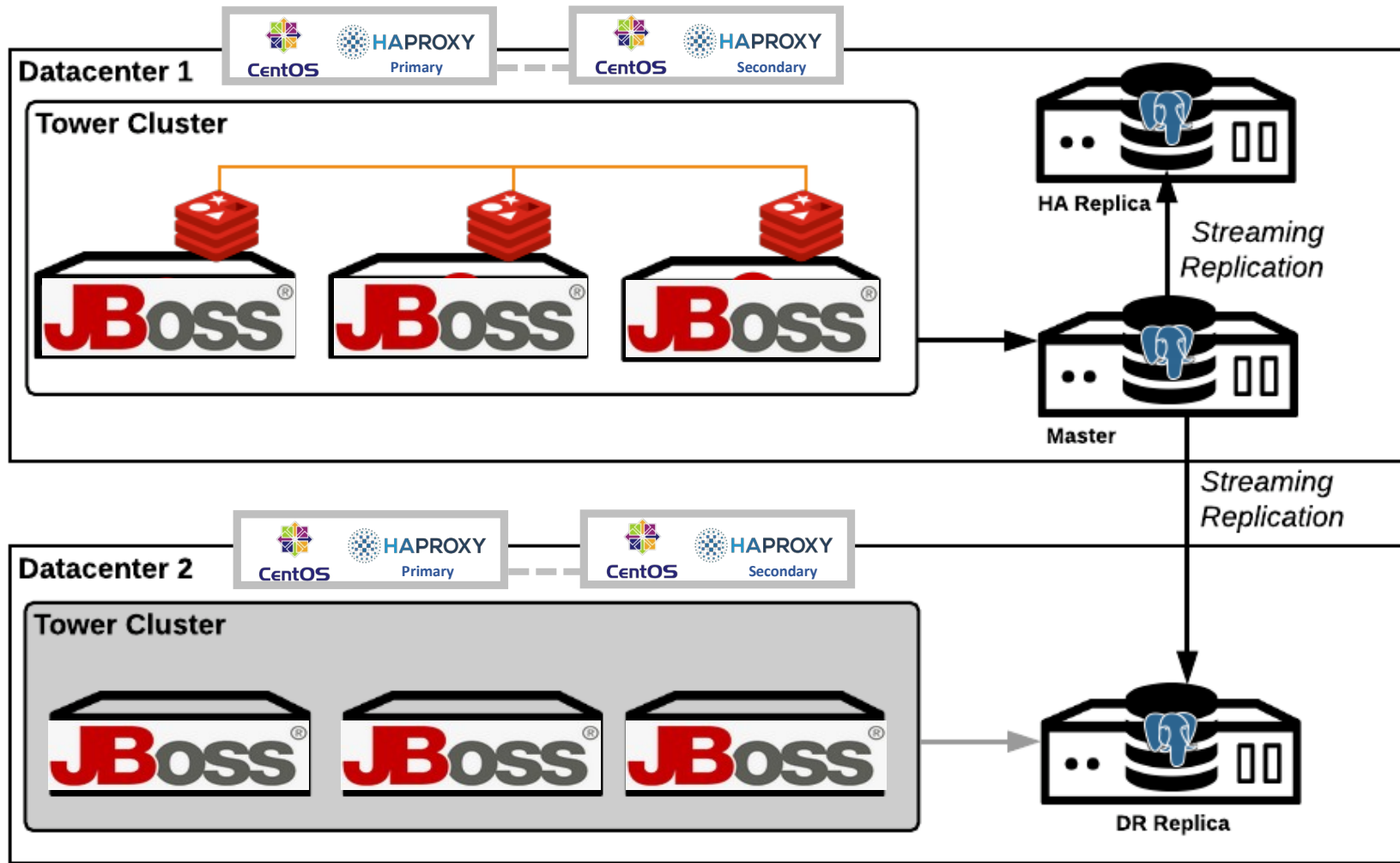
Pre-Prod

- Staging
- External Client Acceptance

Production

Deployment Environments

Environment/Tier Name	Description
Local	Developer's desktop/workstation
Development/Trunk	Development server acting as a sandbox where unit testing may be performed by the developer
Integration	CI build target, or for developer testing of side effects
Testing/Test/QC/Internal Acceptance	The environment where interface testing is performed. A quality control team ensures that the new code will not have any impact on the existing functionality and tests major functionalities of the system after deploying the new code in the test environment.
Staging/Stage/Model /Pre-production/External-Client Acceptance/Demo	Mirror of production environment
Production/Live	Serves end-users/clients

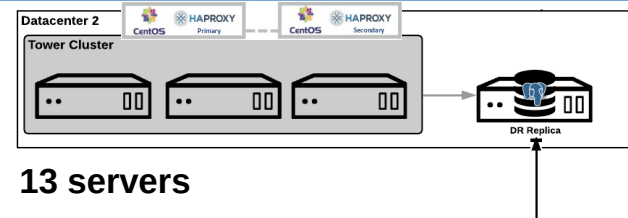
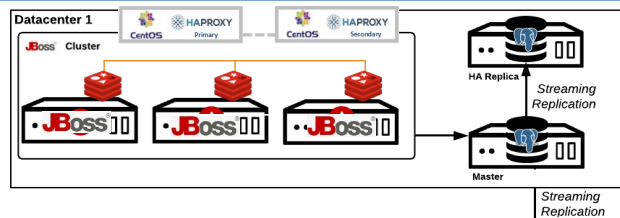


52 Servers in Just one Application Stack – Simple Env

Prod

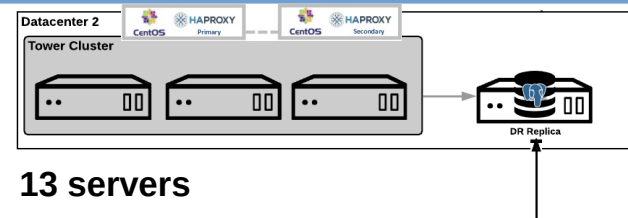
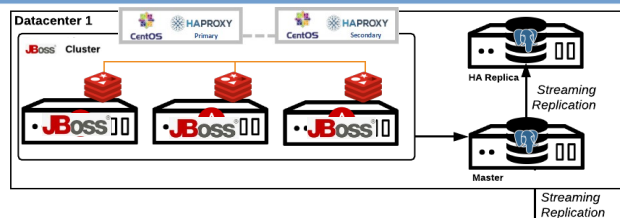


Physical Servers



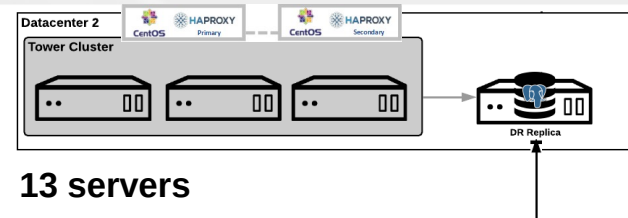
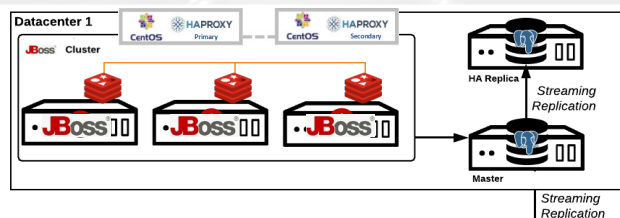
13 servers

UAT



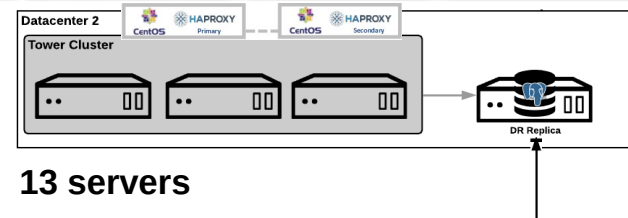
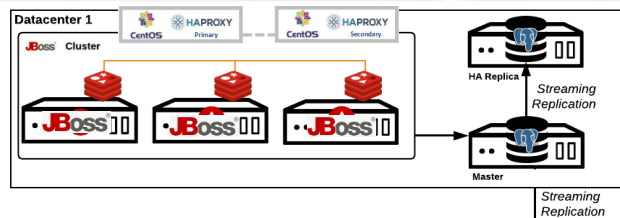
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Test



13 servers

DEV



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Why do I need to test my code? ... it's perfect.

ansible_default_ipv4 is not what you think



George Shuklin

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Most people think that `ansible_default_ipv4` is some magical way to guess what IP address is the 'main' IP for a server.

It is not.

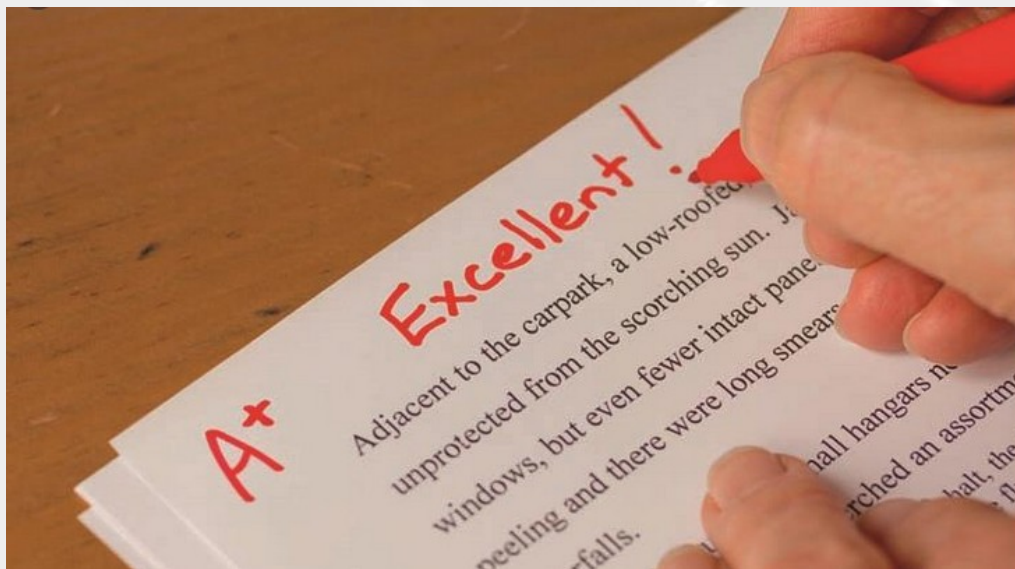
It is the IP address which resides on interface where the default route points to. If you do `ip route` command you can see something like that:

Why Can't I just use Ansible for Testing?

Well of course you can.

However there is a school of thought that says...

“You should never mark your own homework”

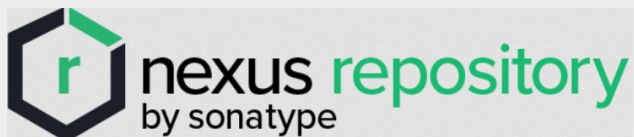


Verification and Validation Testing

"One of the most important tests to run when deploying an IT solution is infrastructure verification and validation (V&V). In other words, making sure the system is configured the way it is supposed to be."

The ability to automate the bulk of testing brings huge benefits in terms of time to complete and consistency of results.

Hosting your repository ?





Mgmt Connection over port 22 SSH

HTTPS 443



VIP



Heartbeat - Health Check

Active

Passive

HTTPS 443

RabbitMQ - 4369, 25672



Primary DB Link - 5432

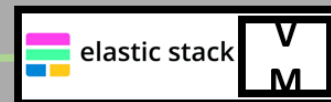
Secondary DB Link - 5432



Replication



Pandora Agent TCP 41121



HTTP 80 / HTTPS 443

DC_in_a_box
Virtual
Machines



What is Goss?

Goss is a YAML based serverspec alternative tool for validating a server's configuration. It eases the process of writing tests by allowing the user to generate tests from the current system state. Once the test suite is written they can be executed, waited-on, or served as a health endpoint.

Why use Goss?

Goss is EASY! - Goss in 45 seconds

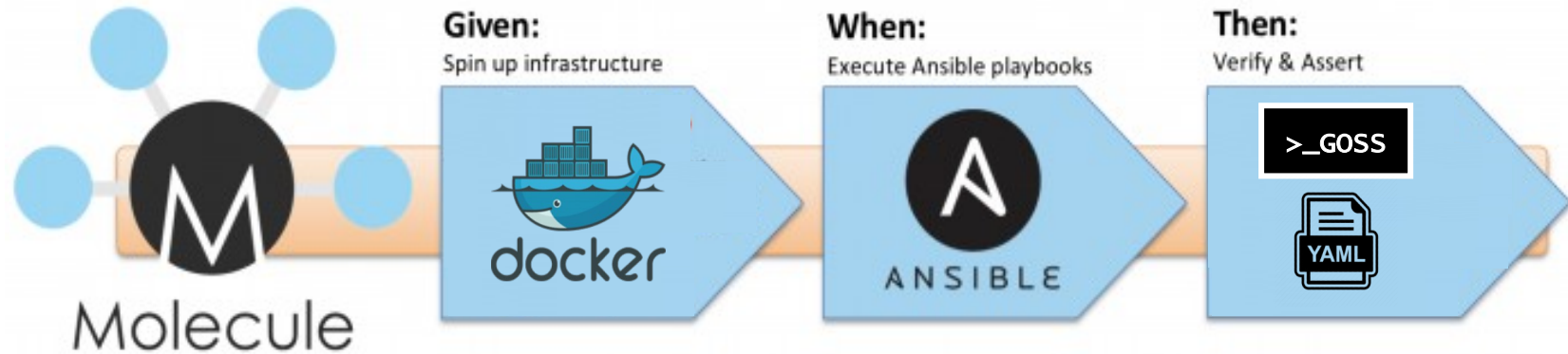
Goss is FAST! - small-medium test suits are near instantaneous, see benchmarks

Goss is SMALL! - <10MB single self-contained binary

<https://github.com/aelsabbahy/goss>

<https://github.com/aelsabbahy/goss/releases/>

You can also use the goss plugin as a verifier for molecule



Based on an image at : <http://blog.codecentric.de>