

# Ansible / Vagrant Runbook

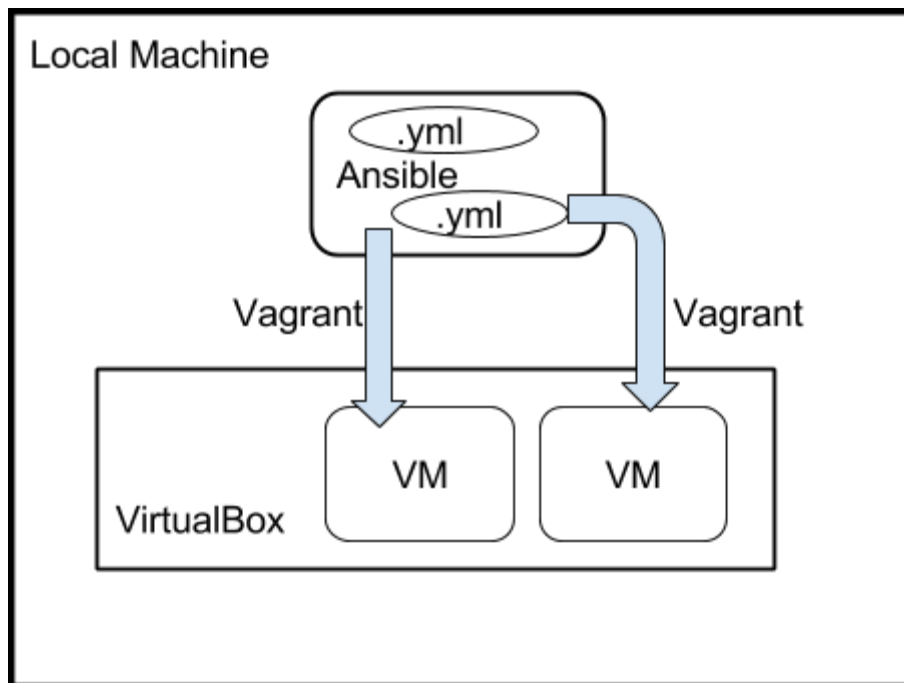
## Short Description

*Using Ansible to create web and database playbooks and Vagrant to quickly spin up and destroy VMs.*

## Required Software

*Some terminal software (if not Mac or Linux), Ansible, Vagrant, Virtualbox, vagrantfile (if not downloaded yet)*

## Architecture Diagram



## Deployment

Download Ansible:

[http://docs.ansible.com/ansible/intro\\_installation.html](http://docs.ansible.com/ansible/intro_installation.html)

Download Vagrant:

<https://www.vagrantup.com/downloads.html>

Download Virtualbox:

<https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads>

Make sure you have a vagrantfile (with iso)

If not:

vagrant init

Spin up vm:

vagrant up

In case of authentication error: <https://github.com/mitchellh/vagrant/issues/7610>

Edit local ssh-config file:

vagrant ssh-config

Copy output

sudo vi /etc/ssh/ssh\_config

Paste output

Command ssh hostname should immediately log into vm

Once ansible playbooks are finished and debugged, run command to run playbooks:

ansible-playbook -i hosts.ini playbook.yml

To shut in vault:

Ansible-vault create secrets.yml

Input vault password

List passwords and keys in opened file. Save file.

If file needs to be edited: ansible-vault edit secrets.yml

Return to other playbooks and remove those passwords and keys

Now run playbooks with command:

ansible-playbook -i hosts.ini playbook.yml --ask-vault-pass

That's all folks!

## Issues

**Title:** *Storage Full*

**Description:** *Logs fill up all the storage.*

**Remediation Steps:** *Automate logs to be copied to another location. Delete logs. Repeat every week or so.*

**Title:** *Service Process Dies*

**Description:** *When a service process stops working on a vm.*

**Remediation Steps:** *Vagrant destroy, vagrant up, run ansible playbook on vm.*

**Title:** *Blackout*

**Description:** *When the power is going down and service must stay up.*

**Remediation Steps:** *Back up server / vms. Cloud computing like AWS is recommended. Safely shut down servers before intentional blackout and point IPs to backup service. Start servers back up and resume service on them.*

**Title:** Memory Overload

**Description:** *When a process(es) try to use too much memory and freeze vm.*

**Remediation Steps:** *Ctrl - C or open a new terminal and vagrant destroy. Use vagrant up to spin up a new vm. Run ansible to reload information back on server.*