

Salt Documentation

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Introduction to Salt

We're not just talking about NaCl.

1.1 The 30 second summary

Salt is:

- a configuration management system, capable of maintaining remote nodes in defined states (for example, ensuring that specific packages are installed and specific services are running)
- a distributed remote execution system used to execute commands and query data on remote nodes, either individually or by arbitrary selection criteria

It was developed in order to bring the best solutions found in the world of remote execution together and make them better, faster, and more malleable. Salt accomplishes this through its ability to handle large loads of information, and not just dozens but hundreds and even thousands of individual servers quickly through a simple and manageable interface.

1.2 Simplicity

Providing versatility between massive scale deployments and smaller systems may seem daunting, but Salt is very simple to set up and maintain, regardless of the size of the project. The architecture of Salt is designed to work with any number of servers, from a handful of local network systems to international deployments across different datacenters. The topology is a simple server/client model with the needed functionality built into a single set of daemons. While the default configuration will work with little to no modification, Salt can be fine tuned to meet specific needs.

1.3 Parallel execution

The core functions of Salt:

- enable commands to remote systems to be called in parallel rather than serially
- · use a secure and encrypted protocol
- use the smallest and fastest network payloads possible
- provide a simple programming interface

Salt also introduces more granular controls to the realm of remote execution, allowing systems to be targeted not just by hostname, but also by system properties.

1.4 Building on proven technology

Salt takes advantage of a number of technologies and techniques. The networking layer is built with the excellent ZeroMQ networking library, so the Salt daemon includes a viable and transparent AMQ broker. Salt uses public keys for authentication with the master daemon, then uses faster AES encryption for payload communication; authentication and encryption are integral to Salt. Salt takes advantage of communication via msgpack, enabling fast and light network traffic.

1.5 Python client interface

In order to allow for simple expansion, Salt execution routines can be written as plain Python modules. The data collected from Salt executions can be sent back to the master server, or to any arbitrary program. Salt can be called from a simple Python API, or from the command line, so that Salt can be used to execute one-off commands as well as operate as an integral part of a larger application.

1.6 Fast, flexible, scalable

The result is a system that can execute commands at high speed on target server groups ranging from one to very many servers. Salt is very fast, easy to set up, amazingly malleable and provides a single remote execution architecture that can manage the diverse requirements of any number of servers. The Salt infrastructure brings together the best of the remote execution world, amplifies its capabilities and expands its range, resulting in a system that is as versatile as it is practical, suitable for any network.

1.7 Open

Salt is developed under the Apache 2.0 license, and can be used for open and proprietary projects. Please submit your expansions back to the Salt project so that we can all benefit together as Salt grows. Please feel free to sprinkle Salt around your systems and let the deliciousness come forth.

1.8 Salt Community

Join the Salt!

There are many ways to participate in and communicate with the Salt community.

Salt has an active IRC channel and a mailing list.

1.9 Mailing List

Join the salt-users mailing list. It is the best place to ask questions about Salt and see whats going on with Salt development! The Salt mailing list is hosted by Google Groups. It is open to new members.

https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/salt-users

1.10 IRC

The #salt IRC channel is hosted on the popular Freenode network. You can use the Freenode webchat client right from your browser.

Logs of the IRC channel activity are being collected courtesy of Moritz Lenz.

If you wish to discuss the development of Salt itself join us in #salt-devel.

1.11 Follow on Github

The Salt code is developed via Github. Follow Salt for constant updates on what is happening in Salt development: https://github.com/saltstack/salt

1.12 Blogs

SaltStack Inc. keeps a blog with recent news and advancements:

http://www.saltstack.com/blog/

Thomas Hatch also shares news and thoughts on Salt and related projects in his personal blog The Red45:

http://red45.wordpress.com/

1.13 Example Salt States

The official salt-states repository is: https://github.com/saltstack/salt-states

A few examples of salt states from the community:

- https://github.com/blast-hardcheese/blast-salt-states
- https://github.com/kevingranade/kevingranade-salt-state
- https://github.com/uggedal/states
- https://github.com/mattmcclean/salt-openstack/tree/master/salt
- https://github.com/rentalita/ubuntu-setup/
- https://github.com/brutasse/states
- https://github.com/bclermont/states
- https://github.com/pcrews/salt-data

1.14 Follow on ohloh

https://www.ohloh.net/p/salt

1.10. IRC 3

1.15 Other community links

- Salt Stack Inc.
- Subreddit
- Google+
- YouTube
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Wikipedia page

1.16 Hack the Source

If you want to get involved with the development of source code or the documentation efforts, please review the *hacking section*!

Installation

See also:

Installing Salt for development and contributing to the project.

2.1 Quick Install

On most distributions, you can set up a **Salt Minion** with the Salt Bootstrap.

2.2 Platform-specific Installation Instructions

These guides go into detail how to install Salt on a given platform.

2.2.1 Arch Linux

Installation

Salt is currently available via the Arch User Repository (AUR). There are currently stable and -git packages available.

Stable Release

Install Salt stable releases from the Arch Linux AUR as follows:

```
wget https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/sa/salt/salt.tar.gz
tar xf salt.tar.gz
cd salt/
makepkg -is
```

A few of Salt's dependencies are currently only found within the AUR, so it is necessary to download and run makepkg -is on these as well. As a reference, Salt currently relies on the following packages which are only available via the AUR:

- https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/py/python2-msgpack/python2-msgpack.tar.gz
- https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/py/python2-psutil/python2-psutil.tar.gz

Note: yaourt

If a tool such as Yaourt is used, the dependencies will be gathered and built automatically.

The command to install salt using the yaourt tool is:

```
yaourt salt
```

Tracking develop

To install the bleeding edge version of Salt (**may include bugs!**), use the -git package. Installing the -git package as follows:

```
wget https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/sa/salt-git/salt-git.tar.gz
tar xf salt-git.tar.gz
cd salt-git/
makepkg -is
```

See the note above about Salt's dependencies.

Post-installation tasks

systemd

Activate the Salt Master and/or Minion via systemctl as follows:

```
systemctl enable salt-master.service
systemctl enable salt-minion.service
```

Start the Master

Once you've completed all of these steps you're ready to start your Salt Master. You should be able to start your Salt Master now using the command seen here:

```
systemctl start salt-master
```

Now go to the *Configuring Salt* page.

2.2.2 Debian Installation

Currently the latest packages for Debian Old Stable, Stable and Unstable (Squeeze, Wheezy and Sid) are published in our (saltstack.com) debian repository.

Configure Apt

Squeeze (Old Stable)

For squeeze, you will need to enable the debian backports repository as well as the debian.saltstack.com repository. To do so, add the following to /etc/apt/sources.list or a file in /etc/apt/sources.list.d:

```
deb http://debian.saltstack.com/debian squeeze-saltstack main deb http://backports.debian.org/debian-backports squeeze-backports main contrib non-free
```

Wheezy (Stable)

For wheezy, the following line is needed in either /etc/apt/sources.list or a file in /etc/apt/sources.list.d:

deb http://debian.saltstack.com/debian wheezy-saltstack main

Sid (Unstable)

For sid, the following line is needed in either /etc/apt/sources.list or a file in /etc/apt/sources.list.d:

deb http://debian.saltstack.com/debian unstable main

Import the repository key.

You will need to import the key used for signing.

```
wget -q -O- "http://debian.saltstack.com/debian-salt-team-joehealy.gpg.key" | apt-key add -
```

Note: You can optionally verify the key integrity with sha512sum using the public key signature shown here. E.g.:

echo "b702969447140d5553e31e9701be13ca11cc0a7ed5fe2b30acb8491567560ee62f834772b5095d735dfcecb2384a5c

Update the package database

apt-get update

Install packages

Install the Salt master, minion, or syndic from the repository with the apt-get command. These examples each install one daemon, but more than one package name may be given at a time:

```
apt-get install salt-master
apt-get install salt-minion
apt-get install salt-syndic
```

Post-installation tasks

Now, go to the Configuring Salt page.

Notes

1. These packages will be backported from the packages intended to be uploaded into debian unstable. This means that the packages will be built for unstable first and then backported over the next day or so.

- 2. These packages will be tracking the released versions of salt rather than maintaining a stable fixed feature set. If a fixed version is what you desire, then either pinning or manual installation may be more appropriate for you.
- 3. The version numbering and backporting process should provide clean upgrade paths between debian versions.

If you have any questions regarding these, please email the mailing list or look for joehh on irc.

2.2.3 Fedora

Beginning with version 0.9.4, Salt has been available in the primary Fedora repositories and EPEL. It is installable using yum. Fedora will have more up to date versions of Salt than other members of the Red Hat family, which makes it a great place to help improve Salt!

Installation

Salt can be installed using yum and is available in the standard Fedora repositories.

Stable Release

Salt is packaged separately for the minion and the master. It is necessary only to install the appropriate package for the role the machine will play. Typically, there will be one master and multiple minions.

```
yum install salt-master
yum install salt-minion
```

Post-installation tasks

Master

To have the Master start automatically at boot time:

```
systemctl enable salt-master.service
```

To start the Master:

```
\verb|systemctl| start salt-master.service|\\
```

Minion

To have the Minion start automatically at boot time:

```
systemctl enable salt-minion.service
```

To start the Minion:

```
systemctl start salt-minion.service
```

Now go to the *Configuring Salt* page.

2.2.4 FreeBSD

Salt was added to the FreeBSD ports tree Dec 26th, 2011 by Christer Edwards christer.edwards@gmail.com. It has been tested on FreeBSD 7.4, 8.2, 9.0 and 9.1 releases.

Salt is dependent on the following additional ports. These will be installed as dependencies of the sysutils/py-salt port.

```
/devel/py-yaml
/devel/py-pyzmq
/devel/py-Jinja2
/devel/py-msgpack
/security/py-pycrypto
/security/py-m2crypto
```

Installation

To install Salt from the FreeBSD ports tree, use the command:

```
make -C /usr/ports/sysutils/py-salt install clean
```

Post-installation tasks

Master

Copy the sample configuration file:

```
cp /usr/local/etc/salt/master.sample /usr/local/etc/salt/master
```

rc.conf

Activate the Salt Master in /etc/rc.conf or /etc/rc.conf.local and add:

```
+ salt_master_enable="YES"
```

Start the Master

Start the Salt Master as follows:

```
service salt_master start
```

Minion

Copy the sample configuration file:

```
cp /usr/local/etc/salt/minion.sample /usr/local/etc/salt/minion
```

rc.conf

Activate the Salt Minion in /etc/rc.conf or /etc/rc.conf.local and add:

```
+ salt_minion_enable="YES"
+ salt_minion_paths="/bin:/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/local/sbin"
```

Start the Minion

Start the Salt Minion as follows:

```
service salt_minion start
```

Now go to the Configuring Salt page.

2.2.5 Gentoo

Salt can be easily installed on Gentoo via Portage:

```
emerge app-admin/salt
```

Post-installation tasks

Now go to the Configuring Salt page.

2.2.6 OS X

Dependency Installation

When installing via Homebrew, dependency resolution is handled for you.

```
brew install saltstack
```

When using macports, zmq, swig, and pip may need to be installed this way:

```
sudo port install py-zmq
sudo port install py27-m2crypto
sudo port install py27-crypto
sudo port install py27-msgpack
sudo port install swig-python
sudo port install py-pip
```

For installs using the OS X system python, pip install needs to use 'sudo':

```
sudo pip install salt
```

Salt-Master Customizations

To run salt-master on OS X, the root user maxfiles limit must be increased:

```
sudo launchetl limit maxfiles 4096 8192
```

And sudo add this configuration option to the /etc/salt/master file:

```
max_open_files: 8192
```

Now the salt-master should run without errors:

```
\verb|sudo|/usr/local/share/python/salt-master| --log-level=all|
```

Post-installation tasks

Now go to the Configuring Salt page.

2.2.7 RHEL / CentOS / Scientific Linux / Amazon Linux / Oracle Linux

Installation Using pip

Since Salt is on PyPI, it can be installed using pip, though most users prefer to install using RPMs (which can be installed from EPEL). Installation from pip is easy:

```
pip install salt
```

Warning: If installing from pip (or from source using setup.py install), be advised that the yum-utils package is needed for Salt to manage packages. Also, if the Python dependencies are not already installed, then you will need additional libraries/tools installed to build some of them. More information on this can be found *here*.

Installation from EPEL

Beginning with version 0.9.4, Salt has been available in EPEL. It is installable using yum. Salt should work properly with all mainstream derivatives of RHEL, including CentOS, Scientific Linux, Oracle Linux and Amazon Linux. Report any bugs or issues on the issue tracker.

On RHEL6, the proper Jinja package 'python-jinja2' was moved from EPEL to the "RHEL Server Optional Channel". Verify this repository is enabled before installing salt on RHEL6.

Enabling EPEL on RHEL

If EPEL is not enabled on your system, you can use the following commands to enable it.

For RHEL 5:

```
rpm -Uvh http://mirror.pnl.gov/epel/5/i386/epel-release-5-4.noarch.rpm
```

For RHEL 6:

```
rpm -Uvh http://ftp.linux.ncsu.edu/pub/epel/6/i386/epel-release-6-8.noarch.rpm
```

Installing Stable Release

Salt is packaged separately for the minion and the master. It is necessary only to install the appropriate package for the role the machine will play. Typically, there will be one master and multiple minions.

On the salt-master, run this:

```
yum install salt-master
```

On each salt-minion, run this:

```
yum install salt-minion
```

Installing from epel-testing

When a new Salt release is packaged, it is first admitted into the epel-testing repository, before being moved to the stable repo.

To install from epel-testing, use the enablerepo argument for yum:

```
yum --enablerepo=epel-testing install salt-minion
```

Post-installation tasks

Master

To have the Master start automatically at boot time:

```
chkconfig salt-master on
```

To start the Master:

service salt-master start

Minion

To have the Minion start automatically at boot time:

```
chkconfig salt-minion on
```

To start the Minion:

```
service salt-minion start
```

Now go to the *Configuring Salt* page.

2.2.8 Solaris

Salt was added to the OpenCSW package repository in September of 2012 by Romeo Theriault <romeot@hawaii.edu> at version 0.10.2 of Salt. It has mainly been tested on Solaris 10 (sparc), though it is built for and has been tested minimally on Solaris 10 (x86), Solaris 9 (sparc/x86) and 11 (sparc/x86). (Please let me know if you're using it on these platforms!) Most of the testing has also just focused on the minion, though it has verified that the master starts up successfully on Solaris 10.

Comments and patches for better support on these platforms is very welcome.

As of version 0.10.4, Solaris is well supported under salt, with all of the following working well:

- 1. remote execution
- 2. grain detection
- 3. service control with SMF
- 4. 'pkg' states with 'pkgadd' and 'pkgutil' modules
- 5. cron modules/states
- 6. user and group modules/states
- 7. shadow password management modules/states

Salt is dependent on the following additional packages. These will automatically be installed as dependencies of the py_salt package.:

```
py_yaml
py_pyzmq
py_jinja2
py_msgpack_python
py_m2crypto
```

```
py_crypto
python
```

Installation

To install Salt from the OpenCSW package repository you first need to install pkgutil assuming you don't already have it installed:

On Solaris 10:

```
pkgadd -d http://get.opencsw.org/now
```

On Solaris 9:

```
wget http://mirror.opencsw.org/opencsw/pkgutil.pkg
pkgadd -d pkgutil.pkg all
```

Once pkgutil is installed you'll need to edit it's config file /etc/opt/csw/pkgutil.conf to point it at the unstable catalog:

```
- #mirror=http://mirror.opencsw.org/opencsw/testing
+ mirror=http://mirror.opencsw.org/opencsw/unstable
```

OK, time to install salt.

```
# Update the catalog
root> /opt/csw/bin/pkgutil -U
# Install salt
root> /opt/csw/bin/pkgutil -i -y py_salt
```

Minion Configuration

Now that salt is installed you can find it's configuration files in /etc/opt/csw/salt/.

You'll want to edit the minion config file to set the name of your salt master server:

```
- #master: salt
+ master: your-salt-server
```

If you would like to use pkgutil as the default package provider for your Solaris minions, you can do so using the providers option in the minion config file.

You can now start the salt minion like so:

On Solaris 10:

```
svcadm enable salt-minion
```

On Solaris 9:

```
/etc/init.d/salt-minion start
```

You should now be able to log onto the salt master and check to see if the salt-minion key is awaiting acceptance:

```
salt-key -l un
```

Accept the key:

```
salt-key -a <your-salt-minion>
```

Run a simple test against the minion:

```
salt '<your-salt-minion>' test.ping
```

Troubleshooting

Logs are in /var/log/salt

2.2.9 Ubuntu Installation

Add repository

The latest packages for Ubuntu are published in the saltstack PPA. If you have the add-apt-repository utility, you can add the repository and import the key in one step:

```
sudo add-apt-repository ppa:saltstack/salt
```

add-apt-repository: command not found?

The add-apt-repository command is not always present on Ubuntu systems. This can be fixed by installing *python-software-properties*:

```
sudo apt-get install python-software-properties
```

Note that since Ubuntu 12.10 (Raring Ringtail), add-apt-repository is found in the *software-properties-common* package, and is part of the base install. Thus, add-apt-repository should be able to be used out-of-the-box to add the PPA.

Alternately, manually add the repository and import the PPA key with these commands:

```
echo deb http://ppa.launchpad.net/saltstack/salt/ubuntu 'lsb_release -sc' main | sudo tee /etc/apt/sewget -q -O- "http://keyserver.ubuntu.com:11371/pks/lookup?op=get&search=0x4759FA960E27C0A6" | sudo ap
```

After adding the repository, update the package management database:

```
sudo apt-get update
```

Install packages

Install the Salt master, minion, or syndic from the repository with the apt-get command. These examples each install one daemon, but more than one package name may be given at a time:

```
sudo apt-get install salt-master
sudo apt-get install salt-minion
sudo apt-get install salt-syndic
```

Post-installation tasks

Now go to the Configuring Salt page.

2.2.10 Windows

Salt has full support for running the Salt Minion on Windows.

There are no plans for the foreseeable future to develop a Salt Master on Windows. For now you must run your Salt Master on a supported operating system to control your Salt Minions on Windows.

Many of the standard Salt modules have been ported to work on Windows and many of the Salt States currently work on Windows, as well.

Windows Installer

A Salt Minion Windows installer can be found here:

Download here

- 2014.1.0
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-2014.1.0-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-2014.1.0-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.5-2 (bugfix release)
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.5-2-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.5-2-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.5
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.5-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.5-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.4
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.4-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.4-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.2
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.2-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.2-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.1.1 Windows Installer bugfix release
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.1.1-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.1.1-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.1
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.1-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.1-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.17.0
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.0-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.17.0-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.16.3
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.16.3-win32-Setup.exe

- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.16.3-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.16.2
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.16.2-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.16.2-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.16.0
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.16.0-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.16.0-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.15.3
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.15.3-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.15.3-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.14.1
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.14.1-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.14.1-AMD64-Setup.exe
- 0.14.0
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.14.0-win32-Setup.exe
- http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads/Salt-Minion-0.14.0-AMD64-Setup.exe

Note: The executables above will install dependencies that the Salt minion requires.

The 64bit installer has been tested on Windows 7 64bit and Windows Server 2008R2 64bit. The 32bit installer has been tested on Windows 2003 Server 32bit. Please file a bug report on our GitHub repo if issues for other platforms are found.

The installer asks for 2 bits of information; the master hostname and the minion name. The installer will update the minion config with these options and then start the minion.

The *salt-minion* service will appear in the Windows Service Manager and can be started and stopped there or with the command line program *sc* like any other Windows service.

If the minion won't start, try installing the Microsoft Visual C++ 2008 x64 SP1 redistributable. Allow all Windows updates to run salt-minion smoothly.

Silent Installer option

The installer can be run silently by providing the /S option at the command line. The options /master and /minion-name allow for configuring the master hostname and minion name, respectively. Here's an example of using the silent installer:

Salt-Minion-0.17.0-Setup-amd64.exe /S /master=yoursaltmaster /minion-name=yourminionname

Setting up a Windows build environment

- 1. Install the Microsoft Visual C++ 2008 SP1 Redistributable, vcredist_x86 or vcredist_x64.
- 2. Install msysgit
- 3. Clone the Salt git repository from GitHub

git clone git://github.com/saltstack/salt.git

- 4. Install the latest point release of Python 2.7 for the architecture you wish to target
- 5. Add C:\Python27 and C:\Python27\Scripts to your system path
- 6. Download and run the Setuptools bootstrap ez_setup.py

python ez_setup.py

7. Install Pip

easy_install pip

- 8. Install the latest point release of OpenSSL for Windows
 - (a) During setup, choose first option to install in Windows system directory
- 9. Install the latest point release of M2Crypto
 - (a) In general, be sure to download installers targeted at py2.7 for your chosen architecture
- 10. Install the latest point release of pycrypto
- 11. Install the latest point release of pywin32
- 12. Install the latest point release of Cython
- 13. Install the latest point release of jinja2
- 14. Install the latest point release of msgpack
- 15. Install psutil

easy_install psutil

16. Install pyzmq

easy_install pyzmq

17. Install PyYAML

easy_install pyyaml

18. Install bbfreeze

easy_install bbfreeze

19. Install wmi

pip install wmi

20. Install esky

pip install esky

21. Install Salt

cd salt
python setup.py install

22. Build a frozen binary distribution of Salt

python setup.py bdist_esky

A zip file has been created in the dist/ folder, containing a frozen copy of Python and the dependency libraries, along with Windows executables for each of the Salt scripts.

Building the installer

The Salt Windows installer is built with the open-source NSIS compiler. The source for the installer is found in the pkg directory of the Salt repo here: https://github.com/saltstack/salt/tree/develop/pkg/windows/installer/Salt-Minion-Setup.nsi. To create the installer, extract the frozen archive from dist/into pkg/windows/buildenv/ and run NSIS.

The NSIS installer can be found here: http://nsis.sourceforge.net/Main_Page

Testing the Salt minion

- 1. Create the directory C:\salt (if it doesn't exist already)
- 2. Copy the example conf and var directories from pkg/windows/buildenv/ into C:\salt
- 3. Edit C:\salt\conf\minion

master: ipaddress or hostname of your salt-master

4. Start the salt-minion

```
cd C:\Python27\Scripts
python salt-minion
```

5. On the salt-master accept the new minion's key

```
sudo salt-key -A
```

(This accepts all unaccepted keys. If you're concerned about security just accept the key for this sp

- 6. Test that your minion is responding
 - (a) On the salt-master run:

```
sudo salt '*' test.ping
```

You should get the following response: {'your minion hostname': True}

Single command bootstrap script

On a 64 bit Windows host the following script makes an unattended install of salt, including all dependencies:

Not up to date.

This script is not up to date. Please use the installer found above

```
"PowerShell (New-Object System.Net.WebClient).DownloadFile('http://csa-net.dk/salt/bootstrap64.bat', (All in one line.)
```

You can execute the above command remotely from a Linux host using winexe:

```
winexe -U "administrator" //fqdn "PowerShell (New-Object .....);"
```

For more info check http://csa-net.dk/salt

Packages management under Windows 2003

On windows Server 2003, you need to install optional component "wmi windows installer provider" to have full list of installed packages. If you don't have this, salt-minion can't report some installed softwares.

2.2.11 SUSE Installation

With openSUSE 13.1, Salt 0.16.4 has been available in the primary repositories. The devel:language:python repo will have more up to date versions of salt, all package development will be done there.

Installation

Salt can be installed using zypper and is available in the standard openSUSE 13.1 repositories.

Stable Release

Salt is packaged separately for the minion and the master. It is necessary only to install the appropriate package for the role the machine will play. Typically, there will be one master and multiple minions.

```
zypper install salt-master
zypper install salt-minion
```

Post-installation tasks openSUSE

Master

To have the Master start automatically at boot time:

```
systemctl enable salt-master.service
```

To start the Master:

```
systemctl start salt-master.service
```

Minion

To have the Minion start automatically at boot time:

```
systemctl enable salt-minion.service
```

To start the Minion:

```
systemctl start salt-minion.service
```

Post-installation tasks SLES

Master

To have the Master start automatically at boot time:

```
chkconfig salt-master on
```

To start the Master:

```
rcsalt-master start
```

Minion

To have the Minion start automatically at boot time:

```
chkconfig salt-minion on
```

To start the Minion:

```
rcsalt-minion start
```

Unstable Release

openSUSE

For openSUSE Factory run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/openSUSE_Factory/deve
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

For openSUSE 13.1 run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/openSUSE_13.1/devel:
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

For openSUSE 12.3 run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/openSUSE_12.3/devel:
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

For openSUSE 12.2 run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/openSUSE_12.2/devel:
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

For openSUSE 12.1 run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/openSUSE_12.1/devel:
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

For bleeding edge python Factory run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/bleeding_edge_python
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

Suse Linux Enterprise

For SLE 11 SP3 run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP3/devel:languages:p
```

For SLE 11 SP2 run the following as root:

```
zypper addrepo http://download.opensuse.org/repositories/devel:languages:python/SLE_11_SP2/devel:languages
zypper refresh
zypper install salt salt-minion salt-master
```

Now go to the *Configuring Salt* page.

2.3 Dependencies

Salt should run on any Unix-like platform so long as the dependencies are met.

- Python 2.6 >= 2.6 < 3.0
- ZeroMQ >= 3.2.0
- pyzmq >= 2.2.0 ZeroMQ Python bindings
- PyCrypto The Python cryptography toolkit
- M2Crypto "Me Too Crypto" Python OpenSSL wrapper
- msgpack-python High-performance message interchange format
- YAML Python YAML bindings
- Jinja2 parsing Salt States (configurable in the master settings)
- MarkupSafe Implements a XML/HTML/XHTML Markup safe string for Python
- apache-libcloud Python lib for interacting with many of the popular cloud service providers using a unified API

2.4 Optional Dependencies

- mako an optional parser for Salt States (configurable in the master settings)
- gcc dynamic Cython module compiling

2.5 Upgrading Salt

When upgrading Salt, the master(s) should always be upgraded first. Backwards compatibility for minions running newer versions of salt than their masters is not guaranteed.

Whenever possible, backwards compatibility between new masters and old minions will be preserved. Generally, the only exception to this policy is in case of a security vulnerability.

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Tutorials

3.1 Introduction

3.1.1 Salt Masterless Quickstart

Running a master-less salt-minion lets you use Salt's configuration management for a single machine without calling out to a Salt master on another machine.

It is also useful for testing out state trees before deploying to a production setup.

The only real difference in using a standalone minion is that instead of issuing commands with salt, the salt-call command is used instead:

```
salt-call --local state.highstate
```

Bootstrap Salt Minion

The salt-bootstrap script makes boostrapping a server with Salt simple for any OS with a Bourne shell:

```
wget -0 - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

See the salt-bootstrap documentation for other one liners. When using Vagrant to test out salt, the salty-vagrant tool will provision the VM for you.

Create State Tree

Following the successful installation of a salt-minion, the next step is to create a state tree, which is where the SLS files that comprise the possible states of the minion are stored.

The following example walks through the steps necessary to create a state tree that ensures that the server has the Apache webserver installed.

1. Create the top.sls file:

```
/srv/salt/top.sls:
base:
'*':
- webserver
```

2. Create the webserver state tree:

```
/srv/salt/webserver.sls:

apache:  # ID declaration
  pkg:  # state declaration
  - installed  # function declaration
```

The only thing left is to provision our minion using the highstate command. To initiate a highstate run, use the salt-call command:

```
salt-call --local state.highstate -1 debug
```

The --local flag tells the salt-minion to look for the state tree in the local file system and not to contact a Salt Master for instructions.

To provide verbose output, used -1 debug.

The minion first examines the top.sls file and determines that it is a part of the group matched by \star glob and that the webserver SLS should be applied.

It then examines the webserver.sls file and finds the apache state, which installs the Apache package.

3.2 Basics

3.2.1 Salt Bootstrap

The Salt Bootstrap script allows for a user to install the Salt Minion or Master on a variety of system distributions and versions. This shell script known as bootstrap-salt.sh runs through a series of checks to determine the operating system type and version. It then installs the Salt binaries using the appropriate methods. The Salt Bootstrap script installs the minimum number of packages required to run Salt. This means that in the event you run the bootstrap to install via package, Git will not be installed. Installing the minimum number of packages helps ensure the script stays as lightweight as possible, assuming the user will install any other required packages after the Salt binaries are present on the system. The script source is available on GitHub: https://github.com/saltstack/salt-bootstrap

Supported Operating Systems

- Amazon Linux 2012.09
- Arch
- CentOS 5/6
- Debian 6.x/7.x
- Fedora 17/18
- FreeBSD 9.1
- Gentoo
- Linaro
- Linux Mint 13/14
- OpenSUSE 12.x
- Red Hat 5/6
- Red Hat Enterprise 5/6
- SmartOS

- SuSE 11 SP1/11 SP2
- Ubuntu 10.x/11.x/12.x/13.04

Note: In the event you do not see your distribution or version available please review the develop branch on Github as it main contain updates that are not present in the stable release: https://github.com/saltstack/saltbootstrap/tree/develop

Example Usage

The Salt Bootstrap script has a wide variety of options that can be passed as well as several ways of obtaining the bootstrap script itself.

For example, using curl to install your distribution's stable packages:

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

Using wget to install your distribution's stable packages:

```
wget -O - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

Installing the latest version available from git with curl:

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

If you have certificate issues using curl, try the following:

```
curl --insecure -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

If you have certificate issues using wget try the following:

```
wget --no-check-certificate -0 - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

Install a specific version from git using wget:

```
wget -O - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sh -s -- -P git v0.16.4
```

If you already have python installed, python 2.6, then it's as easy as:

```
python -m urllib "http://bootstrap.saltstack.org" | sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

All python versions should support the following one liner:

```
python -c 'import urllib; print urllib.urlopen("http://bootstrap.saltstack.org").read()' | \ sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

On a FreeBSD base system you usually don't have either of the above binaries available. You **do** have fetch available though:

```
fetch -o - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

If all you want is to install a salt-master using latest git:

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- -M -N git develop
```

If you want to install a specific release version (based on the git tags):

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```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- git v0.16.4
```

Downloading the develop branch (from here standard command line options may be passed):

```
wget https://raw.github.com/saltstack/salt-bootstrap/develop/bootstrap-salt.sh
```

Command Line Options

```
Here's
           summary
                     of
                         the
                               command
                                         line
                                               options
                                                       (and
                                                             how
                                                                    check
                                                                           them
                                                                                  against
http://bootstrap.saltstack.org):
$ sh bootstrap-salt.sh -h
 Usage: bootstrap-salt.sh [options] <install-type> <install-type-args>
 Installation types:
   - stable (default)
    - daily (ubuntu specific)
    - git
 Examples:
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh stable
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh daily
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git develop
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git v0.17.0
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git 8c3fadf15ec183e5ce8c63739850d543617e4357
 Options:
 -h Display this message
 -v Display script version
 -n No colours.
 -D Show debug output.
 -c Temporary configuration directory
 -g Salt repository URL. (default: git://github.com/saltstack/salt.git)
  -k Temporary directory holding the minion keys which will pre-seed
      the master.
  -M Also install salt-master
  -S Also install salt-syndic
 -N Do not install salt-minion
 -X Do not start daemons after installation
 -C Only run the configuration function. This option automatically
     bypasses any installation.
 -P Allow pip based installations. On some distributions the required salt
     packages or its dependencies are not available as a package for that
     distribution. Using this flag allows the script to use pip as a last
     resort method. NOTE: This only works for functions which actually
      implement pip based installations.
 -F Allow copied files to overwrite existing(config, init.d, etc)
  -U If set, fully upgrade the system prior to bootstrapping salt
 -K If set, keep the temporary files in the temporary directories specified
     with -c and -k.
 -I If set, allow insecure connections while downloading any files. For
     example, pass '--no-check-certificate' to 'wget' or '--insecure' to 'curl'
 -A Pass the salt-master DNS name or IP. This will be stored under
```

\${BS_SALT_ETC_DIR}/minion.d/99-master-address.conf

```
-i Pass the salt-minion id. This will be stored under
  ${BS_SALT_ETC_DIR}/minion_id
```

- -L Install the Apache Libcloud package if possible (required for salt-cloud)
- -p Extra-package to install while installing salt dependencies. One package per -p flag. You're responsible for providing the proper package name.

3.2.2 Standalone Minion

Since the Salt minion contains such extensive functionality it can be useful to run it standalone. A standalone minion can be used to do a number of things:

- Stand up a master server via States (Salting a Salt Master)
- Use salt-call commands on a system without connectivity to a master
- Masterless States, run states entirely from files local to the minion

Telling Salt Call to Run Masterless

The salt-call command is used to run module functions locally on a minion instead of executing them from the master. Normally the salt-call command checks into the master to retrieve file server and pillar data, but when running standalone salt-call needs to be instructed to not check the master for this data. To instruct the minion to not look for a master when running salt-call the file_client configuration option needs to be set. By default the file_client is set to remote so that the minion knows that file server and pillar data are to be gathered from the master. When setting the file_client option to local the minion is configured to not gather this data from the master.

```
file_client: local
```

Now the salt-call command will not look for a master and will assume that the local system has all of the file and pillar resources.

Running States Masterless

The state system can be easily run without a Salt master, with all needed files local to the minion. To do this the minion configuration file needs to be set up to know how to return file_roots information like the master. The file_roots setting defaults to /srv/salt for the base environment just like on the master:

```
file_roots:
   base:
     - /srv/salt
```

Now set up the Salt State Tree, top file, and SLS modules in the same way that they would be set up on a master. Now, with the file_client option set to local and an available state tree then calls to functions in the state module will use the information in the file_roots on the minion instead of checking in with the master.

Remember that when creating a state tree on a minion there are no syntax or path changes needed, SLS modules written to be used from a master do not need to be modified in any way to work with a minion.

This makes it easy to "script" deployments with Salt states without having to set up a master, and allows for these SLS modules to be easily moved into a Salt master as the deployment grows.

The declared state can now be executed with:

```
salt-call state.highstate
```

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Or the salt-call command can be executed with the --local flag, this makes it unnecessary to change the configuration file:

```
salt-call state.highstate --local
```

3.2.3 Opening the Firewall up for Salt

The Salt master communicates with the minions using an AES-encrypted ZeroMQ connection. These communications are done over TCP ports 4505 and 4506, which need to be accessible on the master only. This document outlines suggested firewall rules for allowing these incoming connections to the master.

Note: No firewall configuration needs to be done on Salt minions. These changes refer to the master only.

RHEL 6 / CentOS 6

The lokkit command packaged with some Linux distributions makes opening iptables firewall ports very simple via the command line. Just be careful to not lock out access to the server by neglecting to open the ssh port.

lokkit example:

```
lokkit -p 22:tcp -p 4505:tcp -p 4506:tcp
```

The system-config-firewall-tui command provides a text-based interface to modifying the firewall.

system-config-firewall-tui:

```
system-config-firewall-tui
```

openSUSE

Salt installs firewall rules in /etc/sysconfig/SuSEfirewall2.d/services/salt. Enable with:

```
SuSEfirewall2 open
SuSEfirewall2 start
```

If you have an older package of Salt where the above configuration file is not included, the SuSEfirewall2 command makes opening iptables firewall ports very simple via the command line.

SuSEfirewall example:

```
SuSEfirewall2 open EXT TCP 4505
SuSEfirewall2 open EXT TCP 4506
```

The firewall module in YaST2 provides a text-based interface to modifying the firewall.

YaST2:

```
yast2 firewall
```

iptables

Different Linux distributions store their *iptables* (also known as netfilter) rules in different places, which makes it difficult to standardize firewall documentation. Included are some of the more common locations, but your mileage may vary.

Fedora / RHEL / CentOS:

/etc/sysconfig/iptables

Arch Linux:

/etc/iptables/iptables.rules

Debian

Follow these instructions: https://wiki.debian.org/iptables

Once you've found your firewall rules, you'll need to add the two lines below to allow traffic on tcp/4505 and tcp/4506:

```
-A INPUT -m state --state new -m tcp -p tcp --dport 4505 -j ACCEPT -A INPUT -m state --state new -m tcp -p tcp --dport 4506 -j ACCEPT
```

Ubuntu

Salt installs firewall rules in /etc/ufw/applications.d/salt.ufw. Enable with:

```
ufw allow salt
```

pf.conf

The BSD-family of operating systems uses packet filter (pf). The following example describes the additions to pf.conf needed to access the Salt master.

```
pass in on $int_if proto tcp from any to $int_if port 4505 pass in on $int_if proto tcp from any to $int_if port 4506
```

Once these additions have been made to the pf.conf the rules will need to be reloaded. This can be done using the pfctl command.

```
pfctl -vf /etc/pf.conf
```

3.2.4 Whitelist communication to Master

There are situations where you want to selectively allow Minon traffic from specific hosts or networks into your Salt Master. The first scenario which comes to mind is to prevent unwanted traffic to your Master out of security concerns, but another scenario is to handle Minion upgrades when there are backwards incompatible changes between the installed Salt versions in your environment.

Here is an example *Linux iptables* ruleset to be set on the Master:

```
# Allow Minions from these networks
-I INPUT -s 10.1.2.0/24 -p tcp -m multiport --dports 4505,4506 -j ACCEPT
-I INPUT -s 10.1.3.0/24 -p tcp -m multiport --dports 4505,4506 -j ACCEPT
# Allow Salt to communicate with Master on the loopback interface
-A INPUT -i lo -p tcp -m multiport --dports 4505,4506 -j ACCEPT
# Reject everything else
-A INPUT -p tcp -m multiport --dports 4505,4506 -j REJECT
```

Note: The important thing to note here is that the salt command needs to communicate with the listening network socket of salt-master on the *loopback* interface. Without this you will see no outgoing Salt traffic from the master, even for a simple salt '*' test.ping, because the salt client never reached the salt-master to tell it to carry out the execution.

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3.2.5 Using cron with Salt

The Salt Minion can initiate its own highstate using the salt-call command.

```
$ salt-call state.highstate
```

This will cause the minion to check in with the master and ensure it is in the correct 'state'.

Use cron to initiate a highstate

If you would like the Salt Minion to regularly check in with the master you can use the venerable cron to run the salt-call command.

```
# PATH=/bin:/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/sbin
00 00 * * * salt-call state.highstate
```

The above cron entry will run a highstate every day at midnight.

Note: Be aware that you may need to ensure the PATH for cron includes any scripts or commands that need to be executed.

3.2.6 Remote execution tutorial

Before continuing make sure you have a working Salt installation by following the *installation* and the *configuration* instructions.

Stuck?

There are many ways to get help from the Salt community including our mailing list and our IRC channel #salt.

Order your minions around

Now that you have a *master* and at least one *minion* communicating with each other you can perform commands on the minion via the **salt** command. Salt calls are comprised of three main components:

```
salt '<target>' <function> [arguments]
```

See also:

salt manpage

target

The target component allows you to filter which minions should run the following function. The default filter is a glob on the minion id. For example:

```
salt '*' test.ping
salt '*.example.org' test.ping
```

Targets can be based on minion system information using the Grains system:

```
salt -G 'os:Ubuntu' test.ping
```

See also:

Grains system

Targets can be filtered by regular expression:

```
salt -E 'virtmach[0-9]' test.ping
```

Targets can be explicitly specified in a list:

```
salt -L 'foo,bar,baz,quo' test.ping
```

Or Multiple target types can be combined in one command:

```
salt -C 'G@os:Ubuntu and webser* or E@database.*' test.ping
```

function

A function is some functionality provided by a module. Salt ships with a large collection of available functions. List all available functions on your minions:

```
salt '*' sys.doc
```

Here are some examples:

Show all currently available minions:

```
salt '*' test.ping
```

Run an arbitrary shell command:

```
salt '*' cmd.run 'uname -a'
```

See also:

the full list of modules

arguments

Space-delimited arguments to the function:

```
salt '*' cmd.exec_code python 'import sys; print sys.version'
```

Optional, keyword arguments are also supported:

```
salt '*' pip.install salt timeout=5 upgrade=True
```

They are always in the form of kwarg=argument.

3.2.7 Pillar Walkthrough

Note: This walkthrough assumes that the reader has already completed the initial Salt walkthrough.

Pillars are tree-like structures of data defined on the Salt Master and passed through to minions. They allow confidential, targeted data to be securely sent only to the relevant minion.

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Note: Grains and Pillar are somtimes confused, just remember that Grains is data about a minion which is stored or generated from the minion. This is why information like the OS and CPU type are found in Grains. Pillar is information about a minion or many minions stored or generated on the Salt Master.

Pillar data is useful for:

Highly Sensitive Data: Information transferred via pillar is guaranteed to only be presented to the minions that are targeted, making Pillar suitable for managing security information, such as cryptographic keys and passwords.

Minion Configuration: Minion modules such as the execution modules, states, and returners can often be configured via data stored in pillar.

Variables: Variables which need to be assigned to specific minions or groups of minions can be defined in pillar and then accessed inside sls formulas and template files.

Arbitrary Data: Pillar can contain any basic data structure, so a list of values, or a key/value store can be defined making it easy to iterate over a group of values in sls formulas

Pillar is therefore one of the most important systems when using Salt, this walkthrough is designed to get a simple Pillar up and running in a few minutes and then to dive into the capabilities of Pillar and where the data is available.

Setting Up Pillar

The pillar is already running in Salt by default. To see the minion's pillar data:

```
salt '*' pillar.items
```

Note: Prior to version 0.16.2, this function is named pillar.data. This function name is still supported for backwards compatibility.

By default the contents of the master configuration file are loaded into pillar for all minions. This enables the master configuration file to be used for global configuration of minions.

Similar to the state tree, the pillar is comprised of sls files and has a top file. The default location for the pillar is in /srv/pillar.

Note: The pillar location can be configured via the *pillar_roots* option inside the master configuration file. It must not be in a subdirectory of the state tree.

To start setting up the pillar, the /srv/pillar directory needs to be present:

```
mkdir /srv/pillar
```

Now ceate a simple top file, following the same format as the top file used for states:

This top file associates the data.sls file to all minions. Now the /srv/pillar/data.sls file needs to be populated:

```
/srv/pillar/data.sls:
info: some data
```

Now that the file has been saved, the minions' pillars will be updated:

```
salt '*' pillar.items
```

The key info should now appear in the returned pillar data.

More Complex Data

Unlike states, pillar files do not need to define **formulas**. This example sets up user data with a UID:

```
/srv/pillar/users/init.sls:
users:
    thatch: 1000
    shouse: 1001
    utahdave: 1002
    redbeard: 1003
```

Note: The same directory lookups that exist in states exist in pillar, so the file users/init.sls can be referenced with users in the *top file*.

The top file will need to be updated to include this sls file:

Now the data will be available to the minions. To use the pillar data in a state, you can use Jinja:

```
/srv/salt/users/init.sls

{% for user, uid in pillar.get('users', {}).items() %}
{{user}}:
   user.present:
    - uid: {{uid}}
{% endfor %}
```

This approach allows for users to be safely defined in a pillar and then the user data is applied in an sls file.

Paramaterizing States With Pillar

Pillar data can be accessed in state files to customise behaviour for each minion. All pillar (and grain) data applicable to each minion is substituted into the state files through templating before being run. Typical uses include setting directories appropriate for the minion and skipping states that don't apply.

A simple example is to set up a mapping of package names in pillar for separate Linux distributions:

/srv/pillar/pkg/init.sls:

pkgs:
 {% if grains['os_family'] == 'RedHat' %}
 apache: httpd
 vim: vim-enhanced
 {% elif grains['os_family'] == 'Debian' %}
 apache: apache2
 vim: vim

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```
{% elif grains['os'] == 'Arch' %}
apache: apache
vim: vim
{% endif %}
```

The new pkg sls needs to be added to the top file:

```
/srv/pillar/top.sls:
base:
'*':
- data
- users
- pkg
```

Now the minions will auto map values based on respective operating systems inside of the pillar, so sls files can be safely parameterized:

```
/srv/salt/apache/init.sls:
apache:
  pkg.installed:
    - name: {{ pillar['pkgs']['apache'] }}
```

Or, if no pillar is available a default can be set as well:

Note: The function pillar.get used in this example was added to Salt in version 0.14.0

```
/srv/salt/apache/init.sls:
apache:
  pkg.installed:
    - name: {{ salt['pillar.get']('pkgs:apache', 'httpd') }}
```

In the above example, if the pillar value pillar ['pkgs'] ['apache'] is not set in the minion's pillar, then the default of httpd will be used.

Note: Under the hood, pillar is just a Python dict, so Python dict methods such as get and items can be used.

Pillar Makes Simple States Grow Easily

One of the design goals of pillar is to make simple sls formulas easily grow into more flexible formulas without refactoring or complicating the states.

A simple formula:

```
/srv/salt/edit/vim.sls:
vim:
   pkg:
     - installed

/etc/vimrc:
   file.managed:
     - source: salt://edit/vimrc
     - mode: 644
     - user: root
     - group: root
```

```
- require:
  - pkg: vim
```

Can be easily transformed into a powerful, parameterized formula:

```
/srv/salt/edit/vim.sls:
vim:
   pkg:
        - installed
        - name: {{ pillar['pkgs']['vim'] }}
/etc/vimrc:
   file.managed:
        - source: {{ pillar['vimrc'] }}
        - mode: 644
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - require:
        - pkg: vim
```

Where the vimrc source location can now be changed via pillar:

```
/srv/pillar/edit/vim.sls:

{% if grains['id'].startswith('dev') %}
vimrc: salt://edit/dev_vimrc
{% elif grains['id'].startswith('qa') %}
vimrc: salt://edit/qa_vimrc
{% else %}
vimrc: salt://edit/vimrc
{% endif %}
```

Ensuring that the right vimrc is sent out to the correct minions.

More On Pillar

Pillar data is generated on the Salt master and securely distributed to minions. Salt is not restricted to the pillar sls files when defining the pillar but can retrieve data from external sources. This can be useful when information about an infrastructure is stored in a separate location.

Reference information on pillar and the external pillar interface can be found in the Salt documentation:

Pillar

3.3 States

3.3.1 How Do I Use Salt States?

Simplicity, Simplicity, Simplicity

Many of the most powerful and useful engineering solutions are founded on simple principles. Salt States strive to do just that: K.I.S.S. (Keep It Stupidly Simple)

The core of the Salt State system is the SLS, or SaLt State file. The SLS is a representation of the state in which a system should be in, and is set up to contain this data in a simple format. This is often called configuration management.

Note: This is just the beginning of using states, make sure to read up on pillar *Pillar* next.

It is All Just Data

Before delving into the particulars, it will help to understand that the SLS file is just a data structure under the hood. While understanding that the SLS is just a data structure isn't critical for understanding and making use of Salt States, it should help bolster knowledge of where the real power is.

SLS files are therefore, in reality, just *dictionaries*, *lists*, *strings*, and *numbers*. By using this approach Salt can be much more flexible. As one writes more state files, it becomes clearer exactly what is being written. The result is a system that is easy to understand, yet grows with the needs of the admin or developer.

The Top File

The example SLS files in the below sections can be assigned to hosts using a file called **top.sls**. This file is described in-depth *here*.

Default Data - YAML

By default Salt represents the SLS data in what is one of the simplest serialization formats available - YAML.

A typical SLS file will often look like this in YAML:

Note: These demos use some generic service and package names, different distributions often use different names for packages and services. For instance *apache* should be replaced with *httpd* on a Red Hat system. Salt uses the name of the init script, systemd name, upstart name etc. based on what the underlying service management for the platform. To get a list of the available service names on a platform execute the service.get_all salt function.

Information on how to make states work with multiple distributions is later in the tutorial.

```
apache:
   pkg:
        - installed
   service:
        - running
        - require:
        - pkg: apache
```

This SLS data will ensure that the package named apache is installed, and that the apache service is running. The components can be explained in a simple way.

The first line is the ID for a set of data, and it is called the ID Declaration. This ID sets the name of the thing that needs to be manipulated.

The second and fourth lines are the start of the State Declarations, so they are using the pkg and service states respectively. The pkg state manages a software package to be installed via the system's native package manager, and the service state manages a system daemon.

The third and fifth lines are the function to run. This function defines what state the named package and service should be in. Here, the package is to be installed, and the service should be running.

Finally, on line six, is the word require. This is called a Requisite Statement, and it makes sure that the Apache service is only started after a successful installation of the apache package.

Adding Configs and Users

When setting up a service like an Apache web server, many more components may need to be added. The Apache configuration file will most likely be managed, and a user and group may need to be set up.

```
apache:
  pkg:
    - installed
  service:
    - running
    - watch:
      - pkg: apache
      - file: /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
      - user: apache
  user.present:
    - uid: 87
    - gid: 87
    - home: /var/www/html
    - shell: /bin/nologin
    - require:
     - group: apache
  group.present:
    - gid: 87
    - require:
      - pkg: apache
/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf:
  file.managed:
    - source: salt://apache/httpd.conf
    - user: root
    - group: root
    - mode: 644
```

This SLS data greatly extends the first example, and includes a config file, a user, a group and new requisite statement: watch.

Adding more states is easy, since the new user and group states are under the Apache ID, the user and group will be the Apache user and group. The require statements will make sure that the user will only be made after the group, and that the group will be made only after the Apache package is installed.

Next, the require statement under service was changed to watch, and is now watching 3 states instead of just one. The watch statement does the same thing as require, making sure that the other states run before running the state with a watch, but it adds an extra component. The watch statement will run the state's watcher function for any changes to the watched states. So if the package was updated, the config file changed, or the user uid modified, then the service state's watcher will be run. The service state's watcher just restarts the service, so in this case, a change in the config file will also trigger a restart of the respective service.

Moving Beyond a Single SLS

When setting up Salt States in a scalable manner, more than one SLS will need to be used. The above examples were in a single SLS file, but two or more SLS files can be combined to build out a State Tree. The above example also references a file with a strange source - salt://apache/httpd.conf. That file will need to be available as well.

The SLS files are laid out in a directory structure on the Salt master; an SLS is just a file and files to download are just files.

The Apache example would be laid out in the root of the Salt file server like this:

```
apache/init.sls
apache/httpd.conf
```

So the httpd.conf is just a file in the apache directory, and is referenced directly.

But when using more than one single SLS file, more components can be added to the toolkit. Consider this SSH example:

```
ssh/init.sls:
openssh-client:
  pkg.installed
/etc/ssh/ssh_config:
  file.managed:
    - user: root
    - group: root
    - mode: 644
    - source: salt://ssh/ssh_config
    - require:
      - pkg: openssh-client
ssh/server.sls:
include:
  - ssh
openssh-server:
  pkg.installed
sshd:
  service.running:
    - require:
      - pkg: openssh-client
      - pkg: openssh-server
      - file: /etc/ssh/banner
      - file: /etc/ssh/sshd_config
/etc/ssh/sshd_config:
  file.managed:
    - user: root
    - group: root
    - mode: 644
    - source: salt://ssh/sshd_config
    - require:
      - pkg: openssh-server
/etc/ssh/banner:
  file:
    - managed
    - user: root
    - group: root
    - mode: 644
    - source: salt://ssh/banner
    - require:
      - pkg: openssh-server
```

Note: Notice that we use two similar ways of denoting that a file is managed by Salt. In the /etc/ssh/sshd_config state section above, we use the file.managed state declaration whereas with the /etc/ssh/banner state section, we use the file

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state declaration and add a *managed* attribute to that state declaration. Both ways produce an identical result; the first way – using *file.managed* – is merely a shortcut.

Now our State Tree looks like this:

```
apache/init.sls
apache/httpd.conf
ssh/init.sls
ssh/server.sls
ssh/banner
ssh/ssh_config
ssh/sshd_config
```

This example now introduces the include statement. The include statement includes another SLS file so that components found in it can be required, watched or as will soon be demonstrated - extended.

The include statement allows for states to be cross linked. When an SLS has an include statement it is literally extended to include the contents of the included SLS files.

Note that some of the SLS files are called init.sls, while others are not. More info on what this means can be found in the *States Tutorial*.

Extending Included SLS Data

Sometimes SLS data needs to be extended. Perhaps the apache service needs to watch additional resources, or under certain circumstances a different file needs to be placed.

In these examples, the first will add a custom banner to ssh and the second will add more watchers to apache to include mod_python.

```
ssh/custom-server.sls:
include:
  - ssh.server
extend:
  /etc/ssh/banner:
   file:
      - source: salt://ssh/custom-banner
python/mod_python.sls:
include:
  - apache
extend:
  apache:
    service:
      - watch:
        - pkg: mod_python
mod_python:
  pkg.installed
```

The custom-server.sls file uses the extend statement to overwrite where the banner is being downloaded from, and therefore changing what file is being used to configure the banner.

In the new mod_python SLS the mod_python package is added, but more importantly the apache service was extended to also watch the mod_python package.

Using extend with require or watch

The extend statement works differently for require or watch. It appends to, rather than replacing the requisite component.

Understanding the Render System

Since SLS data is simply that (data), it does not need to be represented with YAML. Salt defaults to YAML because it is very straightforward and easy to learn and use. But the SLS files can be rendered from almost any imaginable medium, so long as a renderer module is provided.

The default rendering system is the yaml_jinja renderer. The yaml_jinja renderer will first pass the template through the Jinja2 templating system, and then through the YAML parser. The benefit here is that full programming constructs are available when creating SLS files.

Other renderers available are <code>yaml_mako</code> and <code>yaml_wempy</code> which each use the Mako or Wempy templating system respectively rather than the jinja templating system, and more notably, the pure Python or <code>py</code>, <code>pydsl & pyobjects</code> renderers. The <code>py</code> renderer allows for SLS files to be written in pure Python, allowing for the utmost level of flexibility and power when preparing SLS data; while the <code>pydsl</code> renderer provides a flexible, domain-specific language for authoring SLS data in Python; and the <code>pyobjects</code> renderer gives you a "Pythonic" interface to building state data.

Note: The templating engines described above aren't just available in SLS files. They can also be used in file.managed states, making file management much more dynamic and flexible. Some examples for using templates in managed files can be found in the documentation for the *file states*, as well as the *MooseFS example* below.

Getting to Know the Default - yaml_jinja

The default renderer - yaml_jinja, allows for use of the jinja templating system. A guide to the Jinja templating system can be found here: http://jinja.pocoo.org/docs

When working with renderers a few very useful bits of data are passed in. In the case of templating engine based renderers, three critical components are available, salt, grains, and pillar. The salt object allows for any Salt function to be called from within the template, and grains allows for the Grains to be accessed from within the template. A few examples:

```
apache/init.sls:
apache:
  pkg.installed:
    {% if grains['os'] == 'RedHat'%}
    - name: httpd
    {% endif %}
  service.running:
    {% if grains['os'] == 'RedHat'%}
    - name: httpd
    {% endif %}
    - watch:
      - pkg: apache
      - file: /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
      - user: apache
  user.present:
    - uid: 87
    - gid: 87
    - home: /var/www/html
```

```
- shell: /bin/nologin
- require:
    - group: apache
group.present:
    - gid: 87
- require:
    - pkg: apache

/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf:
file.managed:
    - source: salt://apache/httpd.conf
- user: root
    - group: root
    - mode: 644
```

This example is simple. If the os grain states that the operating system is Red Hat, then the name of the Apache package and service needs to be httpd. A more aggressive way to use Jinja can be found here, in a module to set up a MooseFS distributed filesystem chunkserver:

```
moosefs/chunk.sls:
include:
  - moosefs
{% for mnt in salt['cmd.run']('ls /dev/data/moose*').split() %}
/mnt/moose{{ mnt[-1] }}:
 mount.mounted:
   - device: {{ mnt }}
   - fstype: xfs
   - mkmnt: True
  file.directory:
   - user: mfs
    - group: mfs
    - require:
      - user: mfs
      - group: mfs
{% endfor %}
/etc/mfshdd.cfg:
  file.managed:
   - source: salt://moosefs/mfshdd.cfg
    - user: root
   - group: root
   - mode: 644
    - template: jinja
    - require:
      - pkg: mfs-chunkserver
/etc/mfschunkserver.cfg:
 file.managed:
   - source: salt://moosefs/mfschunkserver.cfg
    - user: root
   - group: root
    - mode: 644
    - template: jinja
    - require:
      - pkg: mfs-chunkserver
mfs-chunkserver:
```

```
pkg:
    - installed
mfschunkserver:
    service:
    - running
    - require:
{% for mnt in salt['cmd.run']('ls /dev/data/moose*') %}
    - mount: /mnt/moose{{ mnt[-1] }}
    - file: /mnt/moose{{ mnt[-1] }}
{% endfor %}
    - file: /etc/mfschunkserver.cfg
    - file: /etc/mfshdd.cfg
    - file: /var/lib/mfs
```

This example shows much more of the available power of Jinja. Multiple for loops are used to dynamically detect available hard drives and set them up to be mounted, and the salt object is used multiple times to call shell commands to gather data.

Introducing the Python, PyDSL and the Pyobjects Renderers

Sometimes the chosen default renderer might not have enough logical power to accomplish the needed task. When this happens, the Python renderer can be used. Normally a YAML renderer should be used for the majority of SLS files, but an SLS file set to use another renderer can be easily added to the tree.

This example shows a very basic Python SLS file:

This is a very simple example; the first line has an SLS shebang that tells Salt to not use the default renderer, but to use the py renderer. Then the run function is defined, the return value from the run function must be a Salt friendly data structure, or better known as a Salt *HighState data structure*.

Alternatively, using the *pydsl* renderer, the above example can be written more succinctly as:

```
#!pyds1
include('python', delayed=True)
state('django').pkg.installed()
```

The *pyobjects* renderer provides an "Pythonic" object based approach for building the state data. The above example could be written as:

```
#!pyobjects
include('python')
Pkg.installed("django")
```

This Python examples would look like this if they were written in YAML:

```
include:
    - python

django:
    pkg.installed
```

This example clearly illustrates that; one, using the YAML renderer by default is a wise decision and two, unbridled power can be obtained where needed by using a pure Python SLS.

Running and debugging salt states.

Once the rules in an SLS are ready, they should be tested to ensure they work properly. To invoke these rules, simply execute salt '*' state.highstate on the command line. If you get back only hostnames with a : after, but no return, chances are there is a problem with one or more of the sls files. On the minion, use the salt-call command: salt-call state.highstate -l debug to examine the output for errors. This should help troubleshoot the issue. The minions can also be started in the foreground in debug mode: salt-minion -l debug.

Next Reading

With an understanding of states, the next recommendation is to become familiar with Salt's pillar interface:

Pillar Walkthrough

3.3.2 States tutorial, part 1 - Basic Usage

The purpose of this tutorial is to demonstrate how quickly you can configure a system to be managed by Salt States. For detailed information about the state system please refer to the full *states reference*.

This tutorial will walk you through using Salt to configure a minion to run the Apache HTTP server and to ensure the server is running.

Before continuing make sure you have a working Salt installation by following the *installation* and the *configuration* instructions.

Stuck?

There are many ways to get help from the Salt community including our mailing list and our IRC channel #salt.

Setting up the Salt State Tree

States are stored in text files on the master and transferred to the minions on demand via the master's File Server. The collection of state files make up the State Tree.

To start using a central state system in Salt, the Salt File Server must first be set up. Edit the master config file (file_roots) and uncomment the following lines:

```
file_roots:
   base:
     - /srv/salt
```

Note: If you are deploying on FreeBSD via ports, the file_roots path defaults to /usr/local/etc/salt/states.

Restart the Salt master in order to pick up this change:

```
pkill salt-master
salt-master -d
```

Preparing the Top File

On the master, in the directory uncommented in the previous step, (/srv/salt by default), create a new file called top.sls and add the following:

The *top file* is separated into environments (discussed later). The default environment is base. Under the base environment a collection of minion matches is defined; for now simply specify all hosts (*).

Targeting minions

The expressions can use any of the targeting mechanisms used by Salt — minions can be matched by glob, PCRE regular expression, or by *grains*. For example:

```
base:
  'os:Fedora':
    - match: grain
    - webserver
```

Create an sls file

In the same directory as the top file, create a file named webserver.sls, containing the following:

The first line, called the *ID declaration*, is an arbitrary identifier. In this case it defines the name of the package to be installed.

Note: The package name for the Apache httpd web server may differ depending on OS or distro — for example, on Fedora it is httpd but on Debian/Ubuntu it is apache2.

The second line, called the *State declaration*, defines which of the Salt States we are using. In this example, we are using the pkg state to ensure that a given package is installed.

The third line, called the *Function declaration*, defines which function in the pkg state module to call.

Renderers

States sls files can be written in many formats. Salt requires only a simple data structure and is not concerned with how that data structure is built. Templating languages and DSLs are a dime-a-dozen and everyone has a favorite.

Building the expected data structure is the job of Salt renderers and they are dead-simple to write.

In this tutorial we will be using YAML in Jinja2 templates, which is the default format. The default can be changed by editing renderer in the master configuration file.

Install the package

Next, let's run the state we created. Open a terminal on the master and run:

```
% salt '*' state.highstate
```

Our master is instructing all targeted minions to run state.highstate. When a minion executes a highstate call it will download the *top file* and attempt to match the expressions. When it does match an expression the modules listed for it will be downloaded, compiled, and executed.

Once completed, the minion will report back with a summary of all actions taken and all changes made.

SLS File Namespace

Note that in the *example* above, the SLS file webserver.sls was referred to simply as webserver. The namespace for SLS files follows a few simple rules:

- 1. The .sls is discarded (i.e. webserver.sls becomes webserver).
- 2. Subdirectories can be used for better organization.
 - (a) Each subdirectory is represented by a dot.
 - (b) webserver/dev.sls is referred to as webserver.dev.
- 3. A file called init.sls in a subdirectory is referred to by the path of the directory. So, webserver/init.sls is referred to as webserver.
- 4. If both webserver.sls and webserver/init.sls happen to exist, webserver/init.sls will be ignored and webserver.sls will be the file referred to as webserver.

Troubleshooting Salt

If the expected output isn't seen, the following tips can help to narrow down the problem.

Turn up logging Salt can be quite chatty when you change the logging setting to debug:

```
salt-minion -1 debug
```

Run the minion in the foreground By not starting the minion in daemon mode (-d) one can view any output from the minion as it works:

```
salt-minion &
```

Increase the default timeout value when running salt. For example, to change the default timeout to 60 seconds:

```
salt -t 60
```

For best results, combine all three:

```
salt-minion -l debug & # On the minion
salt '*' state.highstate -t 60 # On the master
```

Next steps

This tutorial focused on getting a simple Salt States configuration working. *Part 2* will build on this example to cover more advanced sls syntax and will explore more of the states that ship with Salt.

3.3.3 States tutorial, part 2 - More Complex States, Requisites

Note: This tutorial builds on topics covered in part 1. It is recommended that you begin there.

In the *last part* of the Salt States tutorial we covered the basics of installing a package. We will now modify our webserver.sls file to have requirements, and use even more Salt States.

Call multiple States

You can specify multiple *State declaration* under an *ID declaration*. For example, a quick modification to our webserver.sls to also start Apache if it is not running:

```
papache:
pkg:
pkg:
- installed
service:
- running
- require:
- pkg: apache
```

Try stopping Apache before running state.highstate once again and observe the output.

Expand the SLS module

As you have seen, SLS modules are appended with the file extension .sls and are referenced by name starting at the root of the state tree. An SLS module can be also defined as a directory. Demonstrate that now by creating a directory named webserver and moving and renaming webserver.sls to webserver/init.sls. Your state directory should now look like this:

```
|- top.sls
'- webserver/
'- init.sls
```

Organizing SLS modules

You can place additional .sls files in a state file directory. This affords much cleaner organization of your state tree on the filesystem. For example, if we created a webserver/django.sls file that module would be referenced as webserver.django.

In addition, States provide powerful includes and extending functionality which we will cover in Part 3.

Require other states

We now have a working installation of Apache so let's add an HTML file to customize our website. It isn't exactly useful to have a website without a webserver so we don't want Salt to install our HTML file until Apache is installed and running. Include the following at the bottom of your webserver/init.sls file:

```
papache:
pkg:
pkg:
- installed
service:
- running
- require:
- pkg: apache
```

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```
/var/www/index.html:
                                                   # ID declaration
     file:
                                                   # state declaration
10
11
       - managed
                                                  # function
       - source: salt://webserver/index.html
                                                  # function arg
12
       - require:
                                                  # requisite declaration
13
         - pkg: apache
                                                   # requisite reference
14
```

line 9 is the *ID declaration*. In this example it is the location we want to install our custom HTML file. (**Note:** the default location that Apache serves may differ from the above on your OS or distro. /srv/www could also be a likely place to look.)

Line 10 the State declaration. This example uses the Salt file state.

Line 11 is the *Function declaration*. The managed function will download a file from the master and install it in the location specified.

Line 12 is a Function arg declaration which, in this example, passes the source argument to the managed function.

Line 13 is a *Requisite declaration*.

Line 14 is a *Requisite reference* which refers to a state and an ID. In this example, it is referring to the ID declaration from our example in *part 1*. This declaration tells Salt not to install the HTML file until Apache is installed.

Next, create the index.html file and save it in the webserver directory:

Last, call state.highstate again and the minion will fetch and execute the highstate as well as our HTML file from the master using Salt's File Server:

```
salt '*' state.highstate
```

Verify that Apache is now serving your custom HTML.

require vs. watch

There are two *Requisite declaration*, "require" and "watch". Not every state supports "watch". The service state does support "watch" and will restart a service based on the watch condition.

For example, if you use Salt to install an Apache virtual host configuration file and want to restart Apache whenever that file is changed you could modify our Apache example from earlier as follows:

```
/etc/httpd/extra/httpd-vhosts.conf:
    file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://webserver/httpd-vhosts.conf

apache:
    pkg:
        - installed
    service:
        - running
        - watch:
```

```
- file: /etc/httpd/extra/httpd-vhosts.conf
- require:
    pkg: apache
```

If the pkg and service names differ on your OS or distro of choice you can specify each one separately using a *Name declaration* which explained in *Part 3*.

Next steps

In part 3 we will discuss how to use includes, extends and templating to make a more complete State Tree configuration.

3.3.4 States tutorial, part 3 - Templating, Includes, Extends

Note: This tutorial builds on topics covered in *part 1* and *part 2*. It is recommended that you begin there.

This part of the tutorial will cover more advanced templating and configuration techniques for sls files.

Templating SLS modules

SLS modules may require programming logic or inline execution. This is accomplished with module templating. The default module templating system used is Jinja2 and may be configured by changing the renderer value in the master config.

All states are passed through a templating system when they are initially read. To make use of the templating system, simply add some templating markup. An example of an sls module with templating markup may look like this:

```
{% for usr in ['moe','larry','curly'] %}
{{ usr }}:
  user.present
{% endfor %}
```

This templated sls file once generated will look like this:

```
moe:
    user.present
larry:
    user.present
curly:
    user.present
```

Here's a more complex example:

```
{% for usr in 'moe','larry','curly' %}
{{ usr }}:
  group:
    - present
  user:
    - present
    - gid_from_name: True
    - require:
    - group: {{ usr }}
{% endfor %}
```

Using Grains in SLS modules

Often times a state will need to behave differently on different systems. *Salt grains* objects are made available in the template context. The *grains* can be used from within sls modules:

```
apache:
  pkg.installed:
    {% if grains['os'] == 'RedHat' %}
  - name: httpd
    {% elif grains['os'] == 'Ubuntu' %}
  - name: apache2
    {% endif %}
```

Calling Salt modules from templates

All of the Salt modules loaded by the minion are available within the templating system. This allows data to be gathered in real time on the target system. It also allows for shell commands to be run easily from within the sls modules.

The Salt module functions are also made available in the template context as salt:

```
moe:
    user:
        present
        gid: {{ salt['file.group_to_gid']('some_group_that_exists') }}
```

Note that for the above example to work, some_group_that_exists must exist before the state file is processed by the templating engine.

Below is an example that uses the network.hw_addr function to retrieve the MAC address for eth0:

```
salt['network.hw_addr']('eth0')
```

Advanced SLS module syntax

Lastly, we will cover some incredibly useful techniques for more complex State trees.

Include declaration

A previous example showed how to spread a Salt tree across several files. Similarly, *requisites* span multiple files by using an *Include declaration*. For example:

```
python/python-libs.sls:
python-dateutil:
   pkg.installed

python/django.sls:
include:
   - python.python-libs

django:
   pkg.installed:
   - require:
   - pkg: python-dateutil
```

Extend declaration

You can modify previous declarations by using an *Extend declaration*. For example the following modifies the Apache tree to also restart Apache when the vhosts file is changed:

```
apache/apache.sls:
apache:
   pkg.installed

apache/mywebsite.sls:
include:
   - apache.apache

extend:
   apache:
     service:
        - running
        - watch:
        - file: /etc/httpd/extra/httpd-vhosts.conf

/etc/httpd/extra/httpd-vhosts.conf:
   file.managed:
        - source: salt://apache/httpd-vhosts.conf
```

Using extend with require or watch

The extend statement works differently for require or watch. It appends to, rather than replacing the requisite component.

Name declaration

You can override the *ID declaration* by using a *Name declaration*. For example, the previous example is a bit more maintainable if rewritten as follows:

Names declaration

Even more powerful is using a *Names declaration* to override the *ID declaration* for multiple states at once. This often can remove the need for looping in a template. For example, the first example in this tutorial can be rewritten without the loop:

Next steps

In *part 4* we will discuss how to use salt's file_roots to set up a workflow in which states can be "promoted" from dev, to QA, to production.

3.3.5 States tutorial, part 4

Note: This tutorial builds on topics covered in part 1, part 2 and part 3. It is recommended that you begin there.

This part of the tutorial will show how to use salt's file_roots to set up a workflow in which states can be "promoted" from dev, to QA, to production.

Salt fileserver path inheritance

Salt's fileserver allows for more than one root directory per environment, like in the below example, which uses both a local directory and a secondary location shared to the salt master via NFS:

```
# In the master config file (/etc/salt/master)
file_roots:
   base:
        - /srv/salt
        - /mnt/salt-nfs/base
```

Salt's fileserver collapses the list of root directories into a single virtual environment containing all files from each root. If the same file exists at the same relative path in more than one root, then the top-most match "wins". For example, if /srv/salt/foo.txt and /mnt/salt-nfs/base/foo.txt both exist, then salt://foo.txt will point to /srv/salt/foo.txt.

Environment configuration

Configure a multiple-environment setup like so:

```
file_roots:
   base:
     - /srv/salt/prod
   qa:
     - /srv/salt/qa
     - /srv/salt/prod
   dev:
```

```
- /srv/salt/dev
- /srv/salt/qa
- /srv/salt/prod
```

Given the path inheritance described above, files within /srv/salt/prod would be available in all environments. Files within /srv/salt/qa would be available in both qa, and dev. Finally, the files within /srv/salt/dev would only be available within the dev environment.

Based on the order in which the roots are defined, new files/states can be placed within /srv/salt/dev, and pushed out to the dev hosts for testing.

Those files/states can then be moved to the same relative path within /srv/salt/qa, and they are now available only in the dev and ga environments, allowing them to be pushed to QA hosts and tested.

Finally, if moved to the same relative path within /srv/salt/prod, the files are now available in all three environments.

Practical Example

As an example, consider a simple website, installed to /var/www/foobarcom. Below is a top.sls that can be used to deploy the website:

Using pillar, roles can be assigned to the hosts:

```
/srv/pillar/top.sls:
base:
    'web*prod*':
        - webserver.prod
    'web*qa*':
        - webserver.qa
    'web*dev*':
        - webserver.dev

/srv/pillar/webserver/prod.sls:
webserver_role: prod
/srv/pillar/webserver/qa.sls:
webserver_role: qa
/srv/pillar/webserver/dev.sls:
webserver_role: dev
```

And finally, the SLS to deploy the website:

```
/srv/salt/prod/webserver/foobarcom.sls:
```

```
{% if pillar.get('webserver_role', '') %}
/var/www/foobarcom:
  file.recurse:
    - source: salt://webserver/src/foobarcom
    - env: {{ pillar['webserver_role'] }}
    - user: www
    - group: www
    - dir_mode: 755
    - file_mode: 644
{% endif %}
```

Given the above SLS, the source for the website should initially be placed in /srv/salt/dev/webserver/src/foobarcom.

First, let's deploy to dev. Given the configuration in the top file, this can be done using state.highstate:

```
salt --pillar 'webserver_role:dev' state.highstate
```

However, in the event that it is not desirable to apply all states configured in the top file (which could be likely in more complex setups), it is possible to apply just the states for the foobarcom website, using state.sls:

```
salt --pillar 'webserver_role:dev' state.sls webserver.foobarcom
```

the Once the dev, files be moved from site has been tested in then can /srv/salt/dev/webserver/src/foobarcom to /srv/salt/qa/webserver/src/foobarcom, and deployed using the following:

```
salt --pillar 'webserver_role:qa' state.sls webserver.foobarcom
```

Finally, once the site has been tested in qa, then the files can be moved from /srv/salt/qa/webserver/src/foobarcom to /srv/salt/prod/webserver/src/foobarcom, and deployed using the following:

```
salt --pillar 'webserver_role:prod' state.sls webserver.foobarcom
```

Thanks to Salt's fileserver inheritance, even though the files have been moved to within /srv/salt/prod, they are still available from the same salt:// URI in both the ga and dev environments.

Continue Learning

The best way to continue learning about Salt States is to read through the *reference documentation* and to look through examples of existing state trees. Many pre-configured state trees can be found on Github in the saltstack-formulas collection of repositories.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or just want to chat with other people who are using Salt, we have a very *active community* and we'd love to hear from you.

In addition, by continuing to part 5, you can learn about the powerful orchestration of which Salt is capable.

3.3.6 States Tutorial, Part 5 - Orchestration with Salt

Note: This tutorial builds on some of the topics covered in the earlier *States Walkthrough* pages. It is recommended to start with *Part 1* if you are not familiar with how to use states.

Orchestration can be accomplished in two distinct ways:

- 1. The *OverState System*. Added in version 0.11.0, this Salt *Runner* allows for SLS files to be organized into stages, and to require that one or more stages successfully execute before another stage will run.
- 2. The *Orchestrate Runner*. Added in version 0.17.0, this Salt *Runner* can use the full suite of *requisites* available in states, and can also execute states/functions using salt-ssh. This runner was designed with the eventual goal of replacing the *OverState*.

The OverState System

Often servers need to be set up and configured in a specific order, and systems should only be set up if systems earlier in the sequence has been set up without any issues.

The OverState system can be used to orchestrate deployment in a smooth and reliable way across multiple systems in small to large environments.

The OverState SLS

The OverState system is managed by an SLS file named overstate.sls, located in the root of a Salt fileserver environment.

The overstate.sls configures an unordered list of stages, each stage defines the minions on which to execute the state, and can define what sls files to run, execute a state.highstate, or execute a function. Here's a sample overstate.sls:

```
mysql:
  match: 'db*'
  sls:
    - mysql.server
    - drbd
webservers:
  match: 'web*'
  require:
    - mysql
all:
  match: '*'
  require:
    - mysql
  - webservers
```

Given the above setup, the OverState will be carried out as follows:

- 1. The mysql stage will be executed first because it is required by the webservers and all stages. It will execute state.sls once for each of the two listed SLS targets (mysql.server and drbd). These states will be executed on all minions whose minion ID starts with "db".
- 2. The webservers stage will then be executed, but only if the mysql stage executes without any failures. The webservers stage will execute a state.highstate on all minions whose minion IDs start with "web".
- 3. Finally, the all stage will execute, running state.highstate on all systems, if and only if the mysql and webservers stages completed without any failures.

Any failure in the above steps would cause the requires to fail, preventing the dependent stages from executing.

Using Functions with OverState

In the above example, you'll notice that the stages lacking an sls entry run a state.highstate. As mentioned earlier, it is also possible to execute other functions in a stage. This functionality was added in version 0.15.0.

Running a function is easy:

The list of function arguments are defined after the declared function. So, the above stage would run pkg.install http. Requisites only function properly if the given function supports returning a custom return code.

Executing an OverState

Since the OverState is a *Runner*, it is executed using the salt-run command. The runner function for the OverState is state.over.

```
salt-run state.over
```

The function will by default look in the root of the base environment (as defined in file_roots) for a file called overstate.sls, and then execute the stages defined within that file.

Different environments and paths can be used as well, by adding them as positional arguments:

```
salt-run state.over dev /root/other-overstate.sls
```

The above would run an OverState using the dev fileserver environment, with the stages defined in /root/other-overstate.sls.

Warning: Since these are positional arguments, when defining the path to the overstate file the environment must also be specified, even if it is the base environment.

Note: Remember, salt-run is always executed on the master.

The Orchestrate Runner

New in version 0.17.0.

As noted above in the introduction, the Orchestrate Runner (originally called the state.sls runner) offers all the functionality of the OverState, but with a couple advantages:

- All requisites available in states can be used.
- The states/functions can be executed using salt-ssh.

The Orchestrate Runner was added with the intent to eventually deprecate the OverState system, however the OverState will still be maintained for the foreseeable future.

Configuration Syntax

The configuration differs slightly from that of the OverState, and more closely resembles the configuration schema used for states.

To execute a state, use salt.state:

```
install_nginx:
    salt.state:
    - tgt: 'web*'
    - sls:
    - nginx
```

To execute a function, use salt.function:

```
cmd.run:
    salt.function:
        - tgt: '*'
        - arg:
        - rm -rf /tmp/foo
```

Triggering a Highstate

Wheras with the OverState, a Highstate is run by simply omitting an sls or function argument, with the Orchestrate Runner the Highstate must explicitly be requested by using highstate: True:

```
webserver_setup:
    salt.state:
        - tgt: 'web*'
        - highstate: True
```

Executing the Orchestrate Runner

The Orchestrate Runner can be executed using the state.orchestrate runner function. state.orch also works, for those that would like to type less.

Assuming that your base environment is located at /srv/salt, and you have placed a configuration file in /srv/salt/orchestration/webserver.sls, then the following could both be used:

```
salt-run state.orchestrate orchestration.webserver
salt-run state.orch orchestration.webserver
```

Changed in version 2014.1.1: The runner function was renamed to state.orchestrate. In versions 0.17.0 through 2014.1.0, state.sls must be used. This was renamed to avoid confusion with the state.sls execution function.

```
salt-run state.sls orchestration.webserver
```

More Complex Orchestration

Many states/functions can be configured in a single file, which when combined with the full suite of *requisites*, can be used to easily configure complex orchestration tasks. Additionally, the states/functions will be executed in the order in which they are defined, unless prevented from doing so by any *requisites*, as is the default in SLS files since 0.17.0.

```
storage_setup:
    salt.state:
        - tgt: 'role:storage'
        - tgt_type: grain
        - sls: ceph
        - require:
              - salt: webserver_setup

webserver_setup:
    salt.state:
        - tgt: 'web*'
        - highstate: True
```

Given the above setup, the orchestration will be carried out as follows:

- 1. The shell command bootstrap will be executed on all minions in the 10.0.0.0/24 subnet.
- 2. A Highstate will be run on all minions whose ID starts with "web", since the storage_setup state requires it.
- 3. Finally, the ceph SLS target will be executed on all minions which have a grain called role with a value of storage.

3.4 Advanced Topics

3.4.1 SaltStack Walk-through

Note: Welcome to SaltStack! I am excited that you are interested in Salt and starting down the path to better infrastructure management. I developed (and am continuing to develop) Salt with the goal of making the best software available to manage computers of almost any kind. I hope you enjoy working with Salt and that the software can solve your real world needs!

- · Thomas S Hatch
- · Salt creator and Chief Developer
- CTO of SaltStack, Inc.

Getting Started

What is Salt?

Salt is a different approach to infrastructure management, founded on the idea that high-speed communication with large numbers of systems can open up new capabilities. This approach makes Salt a powerful multitasking system that can solve many specific problems in an infrastructure.

The backbone of Salt is the remote execution engine, which creates a high-speed, secure and bi-directional communication net for groups of systems. On top of this communication system, Salt provides an extremely fast, flexible and easy-to-use configuration management system called Salt States.

Installing Salt

SaltStack has been made to be very easy to install and get started. Setting up Salt should be as easy as installing Salt via distribution packages on Linux or via the Windows installer. The *installation documents* cover platform-specific installation in depth.

Starting Salt

Salt functions on a master/minion topology. A master server acts as a central control bus for the clients, which are called minions. The minions connect back to the master.

Setting Up the Salt Master Turning on the Salt Master is easy – just turn it on! The default configuration is suitable for the vast majority of installations. The Salt Master can be controlled by the local Linux/Unix service manager:

On Systemd based platforms (OpenSuse, Fedora):

```
systemctl start salt-master
```

On Upstart based systems (Ubuntu, older Fedora/RHEL):

```
service salt-master start
```

On SysV Init systems (Debian, Gentoo etc.):

```
/etc/init.d/salt-master start
```

Alternatively, the Master can be started directly on the command-line:

```
salt-master -d
```

The Salt Master can also be started in the foreground in debug mode, thus greatly increasing the command output:

```
salt-master -1 debug
```

The Salt Master needs to bind to two TCP network ports on the system. These ports are 4505 and 4506. For more in depth information on firewalling these ports, the firewall tutorial is available *here*.

Setting up a Salt Minion

Note: The Salt Minion can operate with or without a Salt Master. This walk-through assumes that the minion will be connected to the master, for information on how to run a master-less minion please see the master-less quick-start guide:

Masterless Minion Quickstart

The Salt Minion only needs to be aware of one piece of information to run, the network location of the master.

By default the minion will look for the DNS name salt for the master, making the easiest approach to set internal DNS to resolve the name salt back to the Salt Master IP.

Otherwise, the minion configuration file will need to be edited so that the configuration option master points to the DNS name or the IP of the Salt Master:

Note: The default location of the configuration files is /etc/salt. Most platforms adhere to this convention, but platforms such as FreeBSD and Microsoft Windows place this file in different locations.

/etc/salt/minion:

```
master: saltmaster.example.com
```

Now that the master can be found, start the minion in the same way as the master; with the platform init system or via the command line directly:

As a daemon:

```
salt-minion -d
```

In the foreground in debug mode:

```
salt-minion -1 debug
```

When the minion is started, it will generate an id value, unless it has been generated on a previous run and cached in the configuration directory, which is /etc/salt by default. This is the name by which the minion will attempt to authenticate to the master. The following steps are attempted, in order to try to find a value that is not localhost:

- 1. The Python function socket.getfqdn() is run
- 2. /etc/hostname is checked (non-Windows only)
- 3. /etc/hosts (%WINDIR%\system32\drivers\etc\hosts on Windows hosts) is checked for host-names that map to anything within 127.0.0.0/8.

If none of the above are able to produce an id which is not localhost, then a sorted list of IP addresses on the minion (excluding any within 127.0.0.0/8) is inspected. The first publicly-routable IP address is used, if there is one. Otherwise, the first privately-routable IP address is used.

If all else fails, then localhost is used as a fallback.

Note: Overriding the id

The minion id can be manually specified using the id parameter in the minion config file. If this configuration value is specified, it will override all other sources for the id.

Now that the minion is started, it will generate cryptographic keys and attempt to connect to the master. The next step is to venture back to the master server and accept the new minion's public key.

Using salt-key Salt authenticates minions using public-key encryption and authentication. For a minion to start accepting commands from the master, the minion keys need to be accepted by the master.

The salt-key command is used to manage all of the keys on the master. To list the keys that are on the master:

```
salt-key -L
```

The keys that have been rejected, accepted and pending acceptance are listed. The easiest way to accept the minion key is to accept all pending keys:

```
salt-key -A
```

Note: Keys should be verified! The secure thing to do before accepting a key is to run salt-key -f minion-id to print the fingerprint of the minion's public key. This fingerprint can then be compared against the fingerprint generated on the minion.

On the master:

```
# salt-key -f foo.domain.com
Unaccepted Keys:
foo.domain.com: 39:f9:e4:8a:aa:74:8d:52:1a:ec:92:03:82:09:c8:f9
```

On the minion:

```
# salt-call key.finger --local
local:
    39:f9:e4:8a:aa:74:8d:52:1a:ec:92:03:82:09:c8:f9
```

If they match, approve the key with salt-key -a foo.domain.com.

Sending the First Commands Now that the minion is connected to the master and authenticated, the master can start to command the minion.

Salt commands allow for a vast set of functions to be executed and for specific minions and groups of minions to be targeted for execution.

The salt command is comprised of command options, target specification, the function to execute, and arguments to the function.

A simple command to start with looks like this:

```
salt '*' test.ping
```

The \star is the target, which specifies all minions.

test.ping tells the minion to run the test.ping function.

In the case of test.ping, test refers to a *execution module*. ping refers to the ping function contained in the aforementioned test module.

Note: Execution modules are the workhorses of Salt. They do the work on the system to perform various tasks, such as manipulating files and restarting services.

The result of running this command will be the master instructing all of the minions to execute test.ping in parallel and return the result.

This is not an actual ICMP ping, but rather a simple function which returns True. Using test.ping is a good way of confirming that a minion is connected.

Note: Each minion registers itself with a unique minion ID. This ID defaults to the minion's hostname, but can be explicitly defined in the minion config as well by using the id parameter.

Of course, there are hundreds of other modules that can be called just as test.ping can. For example, the following would return disk usage on all targeted minions:

```
salt '*' disk.percent
```

Getting to Know the Functions Salt comes with a vast library of functions available for execution, and Salt functions are self-documenting. To see what functions are available on the minions execute the sys.doc function:

```
salt '*' sys.doc
```

This will display a very large list of available functions and documentation on them.

Note: Module documentation is also available *on the web*.

These functions cover everything from shelling out to package management to manipulating database servers. They comprise a powerful system management API which is the backbone to Salt configuration management and many other aspects of Salt.

Note: Salt comes with many plugin systems. The functions that are available via the salt command are called *Execution Modules*.

Helpful Functions to Know The *cmd* module contains functions to shell out on minions, such as cmd.run and cmd.run_all:

```
salt '*' cmd.run 'ls -1 /etc'
```

The pkg functions automatically map local system package managers to the same salt functions. This means that pkg.install will install packages via yum on Red Hat based systems, apt on Debian systems, etc.:

```
salt '*' pkg.install vim
```

Note: Some custom Linux spins and derivatives of other distributions are not properly detected by Salt. If the above command returns an error message saying that pkg.install is not available, then you may need to override the pkg provider. This process is explained *here*.

The network.interfaces function will list all interfaces on a minion, along with their IP addresses, netmasks, MAC addresses, etc:

```
salt '*' network.interfaces
```

salt-call The examples so far have described running commands from the Master using the salt command, but when troubleshooting it can be more beneficial to login to the minion directly and use salt-call.

Doing so allows you to see the minion log messages specific to the command you are running (which are *not* part of the return data you see when running the command from the Master using salt), making it unnecessary to tail the minion log. More information on salt-call and how to use it can be found *here*.

Grains Salt uses a system called *Grains* to build up static data about minions. This data includes information about the operating system that is running, CPU architecture and much more. The grains system is used throughout Salt to deliver platform data to many components and to users.

Grains can also be statically set, this makes it easy to assign values to minions for grouping and managing.

A common practice is to assign grains to minions to specify what the role or roles a minion might be. These static grains can be set in the minion configuration file or via the grains.setval function.

Targeting Salt allows for minions to be targeted based on a wide range of criteria. The default targeting system uses globular expressions to match minions, hence if there are minions named larry1, larry2, curly1 and curly2, a glob of larry* will match larry1 and larry2, and a glob of *1 will match larry1 and curly1.

Many other targeting systems can be used other than globs, these systems include:

Regular Expressions Target using PCRE-compliant regular expressions

Grains Target based on grains data: Targeting with Grains

Pillar Target based on pillar data: Targeting with Pillar

IP Target based on IP address/subnet/range

Compound Create logic to target based on multiple targets: Targeting with Compound

Nodegroup Target with nodegroups: Targeting with Nodegroup

The concepts of targets are used on the command line with Salt, but also function in many other areas as well, including the state system and the systems used for ACLs and user permissions.

Passing in Arguments Many of the functions available accept arguments which can be passed in on the command line:

```
salt '*' pkg.install vim
```

This example passes the argument vim to the pkg.install function. Since many functions can accept more complex input then just a string, the arguments are parsed through YAML, allowing for more complex data to be sent on the command line:

```
salt '*' test.echo 'foo: bar'
```

In this case Salt translates the string 'foo: bar' into the dictionary "{ 'foo': 'bar'}"

Note: Any line that contains a newline will not be parsed by YAML.

Salt States

Now that the basics are covered the time has come to evaluate States. Salt States, or the State System is the component of Salt made for configuration management.

The state system is already available with a basic Salt setup, no additional configuration is required. States can be set up immediately.

Note: Before diving into the state system, a brief overview of how states are constructed will make many of the concepts clearer. Salt states are based on data modeling and build on a low level data structure that is used to execute each state function. Then more logical layers are built on top of each other.

The high layers of the state system which this tutorial will cover consists of everything that needs to be known to use states, the two high layers covered here are the *sls* layer and the highest layer *highstate*.

Understanding the layers of data management in the State System will help with understanding states, but they never need to be used. Just as understanding how a compiler functions assists when learning a programming language, understanding what is going on under the hood of a configuration management system will also prove to be a valuable asset.

The First SLS Formula

The state system is built on SLS formulas. These formulas are built out in files on Salt's file server. To make a very basic SLS formula open up a file under /srv/salt named vim.sls. The following state ensures that vim is installed on a system to which that state has been applied.

```
/srv/salt/vim.sls:
vim:
   pkg.installed
```

Now install vim on the minions by calling the SLS directly:

```
salt '*' state.sls vim
```

This command will invoke the state system and run the vim SLS.

Now, to beef up the vim SLS formula, a vimrc can be added:

```
/srv/salt/vim.sls:
vim:
  pkg.installed

/etc/vimrc:
  file.managed:
    - source: salt://vimrc
    - mode: 644
    - user: root
    - group: root
```

Now the desired vimro needs to be copied into the Salt file server to /srv/salt/vimro. In Salt, everything is a file, so no path redirection needs to be accounted for. The vimro file is placed right next to the vim.sls file. The same command as above can be executed to all the vim SLS formulas and now include managing the file.

Note: Salt does not need to be restarted/reloaded or have the master manipulated in any way when changing SLS formulas. They are instantly available.

Adding Some Depth

Obviously maintaining SLS formulas right in a single directory at the root of the file server will not scale out to reasonably sized deployments. This is why more depth is required. Start by making an nginx formula a better way, make an nginx subdirectory and add an init.sls file:

```
/srv/salt/nginx/init.sls:
nginx:
pkg:
    - installed
service:
    - running
    - require:
    - pkg: nginx
```

A few concepts are introduced in this SLS formula.

First is the service statement which ensures that the nginx service is running.

Of course, the nginx service can't be started unless the package is installed – hence the require statement which sets up a dependency between the two.

The require statement makes sure that the required component is executed before and that it results in success.

Note: The *require* option belongs to a family of options called *requisites*. Requisites are a powerful component of Salt States, for more information on how requisites work and what is available see: *Requisites*

Also evaluation ordering is available in Salt as well: Ordering States

This new sls formula has a special name — init.sls. When an SLS formula is named init.sls it inherits the name of the directory path that contains it. This formula can be referenced via the following command:

```
salt '*' state.sls nginx
```

Note: Reminder!

Just as one could call the test.ping or disk.usage execution modules, state.sls is simply another execution module. It simply takes the name of an SLS file as an argument.

Now that subdirectories can be used, the vim.sls formula can be cleaned up. To make things more flexible, move the vim.sls and vimrc into a new subdirectory called edit and change the vim.sls file to reflect the change:

```
/srv/salt/edit/vim.sls:
vim:
  pkg.installed

/etc/vimrc:
  file.managed:
    - source: salt://edit/vimrc
    - mode: 644
    - user: root
    - group: root
```

Only the source path to the vimrc file has changed. Now the formula is referenced as edit.vim because it resides in the edit subdirectory. Now the edit subdirectory can contain formulas for emacs, nano, joe or any other editor that may need to be deployed.

Next Reading

Two walk-throughs are specifically recommended at this point. First, a deeper run through States, followed by an explanation of Pillar.

- 1. Starting States
- 2. Pillar Walkthrough

An understanding of Pillar is extremely helpful in using States.

Getting Deeper Into States

Two more in-depth States tutorials exist, which delve much more deeply into States functionality.

- 1. Thomas' original states tutorial, How Do I Use Salt States?, covers much more to get off the ground with States.
- 2. The States Tutorial also provides a fantastic introduction.

These tutorials include much more in-depth information including templating SLS formulas etc.

So Much More!

This concludes the initial Salt walk-through, but there are many more things still to learn! These documents will cover important core aspects of Salt:

- Pillar
- Job Management

A few more tutorials are also available:

- Remote Execution Tutorial
- Standalone Minion

This still is only scratching the surface, many components such as the reactor and event systems, extending Salt, modular components and more are not covered here. For an overview of all Salt features and documentation, look at the *Table of Contents*.

3.4.2 MinionFS Backend Walkthrough

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Sometimes, you might need to propagate files that are generated on a minion. Salt already has a feature to send files from a minion to the master:

```
salt 'minion-id' cp.push /path/to/the/file
```

This command will store the file, including its full path, under cachedir /master/minions/minion-id/files. With the default cachedir the example file above would be stored as /var/cache/salt/master/minions/minion-id/files/path/to/the/file.

Note: This walkthrough assumes basic knowledge of Salt and cp.push. To get up to speed, check out the *walkthrough*.

Since it is not a good idea to expose the whole cachedir, MinionFS should be used to send these files to other minions.

Simple Configuration

To use the minions backend only two configuration changes are required on the master. The fileserver_backend option needs to contain a value of minion and file_recv needs to be set to true:

```
fileserver_backend:
    roots
    minion
file_recv: True
```

These changes require a restart of the master, then new requests for the salt://minion-id/ protocol will send files that are pushed by cp.push from minion-id to the master.

Note: All of the files that are pushed to the master are going to be available to all of the minions. If this is not what you want, please remove minion from fileserver_backend in the master config file.

Note: Having directories with the same name as your minions in the root that can be accessed like salt://minion-id/might cause confusion.

Commandline Example

Lets assume that we are going to generate SSH keys on a minion called minion-source and put the public part in ~/.ssh/authorized_keys of root user of a minion called minion-destination.

First, lets make sure that /root/.ssh exists and has the right permissions:

```
[root@salt-master file] # salt '*' file.mkdir dir_path=/root/.ssh user=root group=root mode=700
minion-source:
    None
minion-destination:
    None
```

We create an RSA key pair without a passphrase ¹:

¹ Yes, that was the actual key on my server, but the server is already destroyed.

```
[root@salt-master file] # salt 'minion-source' cmd.run 'ssh-keygen -N "" -f /root/.ssh/id_rsa'
minion-source:
   Generating public/private rsa key pair.
    Your identification has been saved in /root/.ssh/id_rsa.
    Your public key has been saved in /root/.ssh/id_rsa.pub.
   The key fingerprint is:
    9b:cd:1c:b9:c2:93:8e:ad:a3:52:a0:8b:0a:cc:d4:9b root@minion-source
   The key's randomart image is:
    +--[ RSA 2048]----+
    1 0
    1 0 0 S 0
    |= + . B o
    | o+ E
           B =
    |+ .
          .+ 0
    0 ...000
```

and we send the public part to the master to be available to all minions:

```
[root@salt-master file] # salt 'minion-source' cp.push /root/.ssh/id_rsa.pub
minion-source:
    True
```

now it can be seen by everyone:

```
[root@salt-master file] # salt 'minion-destination' cp.list_master_dirs
minion-destination:
    - .
    - etc
    - minion-source/root
    - minion-source/root/.ssh
```

Lets copy that as the only authorized key to minion-destination:

```
[root@salt-master file] # salt 'minion-destination' cp.get_file salt://minion-source/root/.ssh/id_rsa
minion-destination:
    /root/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

Or we can use a more elegant and salty way to add an SSH key:

```
[root@salt-master file] # salt 'minion-destination' ssh.set_auth_key_from_file user=root source=salt:
minion-destination:
    new
```

3.4.3 Automatic Updates / Frozen Deployments

New in version 0.10.3.d.

Salt has support for the Esky application freezing and update tool. This tool allows one to build a complete zipfile out of the salt scripts and all their dependencies - including shared objects / DLLs.

Getting Started

To build frozen applications, you'll need a suitable build environment for each of your platforms. You should probably set up a virtualenv in order to limit the scope of Q/A.

This process does work on Windows. Follow the directions at https://github.com/saltstack/salt-windows-install for details on installing Salt in Windows. Only the 32-bit Python and dependencies have been tested, but they have been tested on 64-bit Windows.

You will need to install esky and bbfreeze from Pypi in order to enable the bdist_esky command in setup.py.

Building and Freezing

Once you have your tools installed and the environment configured, you can then python setup.py bdist to get the eggs prepared. After that is done, run python setup.py bdist_esky to have Esky traverse the module tree and pack all the scripts up into a redistributable. There will be an appropriately versioned salt-VERSION.zip in dist/if everything went smoothly.

Windows

You will need to add C:\Python27\lib\site-packages\zmq to your PATH variable. This helps bbfreeze find the zmq dll so it can pack it up.

Using the Frozen Build

Unpack the zip file in your desired install location. Scripts like salt-minion and salt-call will be in the root of the zip file. The associated libraries and bootstrapping will be in the directories at the same level. (Check the Esky documentation for more information)

To support updating your minions in the wild, put your builds on a web server that your minions can reach. salt.modules.saltutil.update() will trigger an update and (optionally) a restart of the minion service under the new version.

Gotchas

My Windows minion isn't responding

The process dispatch on Windows is slower than it is on *nix. You may need to add '-t 15' to your salt calls to give them plenty of time to return.

Windows and the Visual Studio Redist

You will need to install the Visual C++ 2008 32-bit redistributable on all Windows minions. Esky has an option to pack the library into the zipfile, but OpenSSL does not seem to acknowledge the new location. If you get a no OPENSSL_Applink error on the console when trying to start your frozen minion, you have forgotten to install the redistributable.

Mixed Linux environments and Yum

The Yum Python module doesn't appear to be available on any of the standard Python package mirrors. If you need to support RHEL/CentOS systems, you should build on that platform to support all your Linux nodes. Also remember to build your virtualenv with <code>--system-site-packages</code> so that the yum module is included.

Automatic (Python) module discovery

Automatic (Python) module discovery does not work with the late-loaded scheme that Salt uses for (Salt) modules. You will need to explicitly add any misbehaving modules to the freezer_includes in Salt's setup.py. Always check the zipped application to make sure that the necessary modules were included.

3.4.4 Multi Master Tutorial

As of Salt 0.16.0, the ability to connect minions to multiple masters has been made available. The multi-master system allows for redundancy of Salt masters and facilitates multiple points of communication out to minions. When using a multi-master setup, all masters are running hot, and any active master can be used to send commands out to the minions.

In 0.16.0, the masters do not share any information, keys need to be accepted on both masters, and shared files need to be shared manually or use tools like the git fileserver backend to ensure that the file_roots are kept consistent.

Summary of Steps

- 1. Create a redundant master server
- 2. Copy primary master key to redundant master
- 3. Start redundant master
- 4. Configure minions to connect to redundant master
- 5. Restart minions
- 6. Accept keys on redundant master

Prepping a Redundant Master

The first task is to prepare the redundant master. There is only one requirement when preparing a redundant master, which is that masters share the same private key. When the first master was created, the master's identifying key was generated and placed in the master's pki_dir. The default location of the key is /etc/salt/pki/master/master.pem. Take this key and copy it to the same location on the redundant master. Assuming that no minions have yet been connected to the new redundant master, it is safe to delete any existing key in this location and replace it.

Note: There is no logical limit to the number of redundant masters that can be used.

Once the new key is in place, the redundant master can be safely started.

Configure Minions

Since minions need to be master-aware, the new master needs to be added to the minion configurations. Simply update the minion configurations to list all connected masters:

```
master:
```

- saltmaster1.example.com
- saltmaster2.example.com

Now the minion can be safely restarted.

Now the minions will check into the original master and also check into the new redundant master. Both masters are first-class and have rights to the minions.

Sharing Files Between Masters

Salt does not automatically share files between multiple masters. A number of files should be shared or sharing of these files should be strongly considered.

Minion Keys

Minion keys can be accepted the normal way using **salt-key** on both masters. Keys accepted, deleted, or rejected on one master will NOT be automatically managed on redundant masters; this needs to be taken care of by running salt-key on both masters or sharing the /etc/salt/pki/master/{minions,minions_pre,minions_rejected} directories between masters.

Note: While sharing the /etc/salt/pki/master directory will work, it is strongly discouraged, since allowing access to the master.pem key outside of Salt creates a *SERIOUS* security risk.

File Roots

The file_roots contents should be kept consistent between masters. Otherwise state runs will not always be consistent on minions since instructions managed by one master will not agree with other masters.

The recommended way to sync these is to use a fileserver backend like gitfs or to keep these files on shared storage.

Pillar_Roots

Pillar roots should be given the same considerations as file_roots.

Master Configurations

While reasons may exist to maintain separate master configurations, it is wise to remember that each master maintains independent control over minions. Therefore, access controls should be in sync between masters unless a valid reason otherwise exists to keep them inconsistent.

These access control options include but are not limited to:

- · external_auth
- client_acl
- peer
- peer_run

3.4.5 Preseed Minion with Accepted Key

In some situations, it is not convenient to wait for a minion to start before accepting its key on the master. For instance, you may want the minion to bootstrap itself as soon as it comes online. You may also want to to let your developers provision new development machines on the fly.

There is a general four step process to do this:

1. Generate the keys on the master:

```
root@saltmaster# salt-key --gen-keys=[key_name]
```

Pick a name for the key, such as the minion's id.

2. Add the public key to the accepted minion folder:

```
root@saltmaster# cp key_name.pub /etc/salt/pki/master/minions/[minion_id]
```

It is necessary that the public key file has the same name as your minion id. This is how Salt matches minions with their keys. Also note that the pki folder could be in a different location, depending on your OS or if specified in the master config file.

3. Distribute the minion keys.

There is no single method to get the keypair to your minion. The difficulty is finding a distribution method which is secure. For Amazon EC2 only, an AWS best practice is to use IAM Roles to pass credentials. (See blog post, http://blogs.aws.amazon.com/php/post/Tx1F82CR0ANO3ZI/Providing-credentials-to-the-AWS-SDK-for-PHP)

Security Warning

Since the minion key is already accepted on the master, distributing the private key poses a potential security risk. A malicious party will have access to your entire state tree and other sensitive data if they gain access to a preseeded minion key.

4. Preseed the Minion with the keys

You will want to place the minion keys before starting the salt-minion daemon:

```
/etc/salt/pki/minion/minion.pem
/etc/salt/pki/minion/minion.pub
```

Once in place, you should be able to start salt-minion and run salt-call state.highstate or any other salt commands that require master authentication.

3.4.6 Salt Bootstrap

The Salt Bootstrap script allows for a user to install the Salt Minion or Master on a variety of system distributions and versions. This shell script known as bootstrap-salt.sh runs through a series of checks to determine the operating system type and version. It then installs the Salt binaries using the appropriate methods. The Salt Bootstrap script installs the minimum number of packages required to run Salt. This means that in the event you run the bootstrap to install via package, Git will not be installed. Installing the minimum number of packages helps ensure the script stays as lightweight as possible, assuming the user will install any other required packages after the Salt binaries are present on the system. The script source is available on GitHub: https://github.com/saltstack/salt-bootstrap

Supported Operating Systems

• Amazon Linux 2012.09

- Arch
- CentOS 5/6
- Debian 6.x/7.x
- Fedora 17/18
- FreeBSD 9.1
- Gentoo
- Linaro
- Linux Mint 13/14
- OpenSUSE 12.x
- Red Hat 5/6
- Red Hat Enterprise 5/6
- SmartOS
- SuSE 11 SP1/11 SP2
- Ubuntu 10.x/11.x/12.x/13.04

Note: In the event you do not see your distribution or version available please review the develop branch on Github as it main contain updates that are not present in the stable release: https://github.com/saltstack/saltbootstrap/tree/develop

Example Usage

The Salt Bootstrap script has a wide variety of options that can be passed as well as several ways of obtaining the bootstrap script itself.

For example, using curl to install your distribution's stable packages:

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

Using wget to install your distribution's stable packages:

```
wget -O - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

Installing the latest version available from git with curl:

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

If you have certificate issues using curl, try the following:

```
curl --insecure -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

If you have certificate issues using wget try the following:

```
wget --no-check-certificate -O - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

Install a specific version from git using wget:

```
wget -0 - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sh -s -- -P git v0.16.4
```

If you already have python installed, python 2.6, then it's as easy as:

```
python -m urllib "http://bootstrap.saltstack.org" | sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

All python versions should support the following one liner:

```
python -c 'import urllib; print urllib.urlopen("http://bootstrap.saltstack.org").read()' | \ sudo sh -s -- git develop
```

On a FreeBSD base system you usually don't have either of the above binaries available. You **do** have fetch available though:

```
fetch -o - http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh
```

If all you want is to install a salt-master using latest git:

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- -M -N git develop
```

If you want to install a specific release version (based on the git tags):

```
curl -L http://bootstrap.saltstack.org | sudo sh -s -- git v0.16.4
```

Downloading the develop branch (from here standard command line options may be passed):

```
wget https://raw.github.com/saltstack/salt-bootstrap/develop/bootstrap-salt.sh
```

Command Line Options

Here's a summary of the command line options (and how check them against http://bootstrap.saltstack.org):

```
$ sh bootstrap-salt.sh -h
 Usage : bootstrap-salt.sh [options] <install-type> <install-type-args>
 Installation types:
   - stable (default)
    - daily (ubuntu specific)
   - git
 Examples:
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh stable
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh daily
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git develop
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git v0.17.0
    $ bootstrap-salt.sh git 8c3fadf15ec183e5ce8c63739850d543617e4357
 Options:
 -h Display this message
 -v Display script version
 -n No colours.
 -D Show debug output.
 -c Temporary configuration directory
 -g Salt repository URL. (default: git://github.com/saltstack/salt.git)
 {\sf -k} Temporary directory holding the minion keys which will pre-seed
      the master.
 -M Also install salt-master
```

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-S Also install salt-syndic

- -N Do not install salt-minion
- -X Do not start daemons after installation
- -C Only run the configuration function. This option automatically bypasses any installation.
- -P Allow pip based installations. On some distributions the required salt packages or its dependencies are not available as a package for that distribution. Using this flag allows the script to use pip as a last resort method. NOTE: This only works for functions which actually implement pip based installations.
- -F Allow copied files to overwrite existing(config, init.d, etc)
- -U If set, fully upgrade the system prior to bootstrapping salt
- -K If set, keep the temporary files in the temporary directories specified with -c and -k.
- -I If set, allow insecure connections while downloading any files. For example, pass '--no-check-certificate' to 'wget' or '--insecure' to 'curl'
- -A Pass the salt-master DNS name or IP. This will be stored under \${BS_SALT_ETC_DIR}/minion.d/99-master-address.conf
- -i Pass the salt-minion id. This will be stored under \${BS_SALT_ETC_DIR}/minion_id
- -L Install the Apache Libcloud package if possible (required for salt-cloud)
- -p Extra-package to install while installing salt dependencies. One package per -p flag. You're responsible for providing the proper package name.

3.4.7 GitFS Backend Walkthrough

While the default location of the salt state tree is on the Salt master, in /srv/salt, the master can create a bridge to external resources for files. One of these resources is the ability for the master to directly pull files from a git repository and serve them to minions.

Note: This walkthrough assumes basic knowledge of Salt. To get up to speed, check out the *walkthrough*.

The gitfs backend hooks into any number of remote git repositories and caches the data from the repository on the master. This makes distributing a state tree to multiple masters seamless and automated.

Salt's file server also has a concept of environments, when using the gitfs backend, Salt translates git branches and tags into environments, making environment management very simple. Just merging a QA or staging branch up to a production branch can be all that is required to make those file changes available to Salt.

Simple Configuration

Note: GitFS requires the Python module GitPython, version 0.3.0 or newer. If your Master runs Ubuntu 12.04 LTS, you will likely need to install GitPython using pip.

```
# pip install GitPython
```

To use the gitfs backend only two configuration changes are required on the master. The fileserver_backend option needs to be set with a value of git:

To configure what fileserver backends will be searched for requested files.

Now the gitfs system needs to be configured with a remote:

```
gitfs_remotes:
    - git://github.com/saltstack/salt-states.git
```

Note: The salt-states repo is not currently updated with the latest versions of the available states. Please review https://github.com/saltstack-formulas for the latest versions.

These changes require a restart of the master, then the git repo will be cached on the master and new requests for the salt:// protocol will send files found in the remote git repository via the master.

Note: The master caches the files from the git server and serves them out, minions do not connect directly to the git server meaning that only requested files are delivered to minions.

Multiple Remotes

The gitfs_remotes option can accept a list of git remotes, the remotes are then searched in order for the requested file. A simple scenario can illustrate this behavior.

Assuming that the gitfs_remotes option specifies three remotes:

```
gitfs_remotes:
    git://github.com/example/first.git
    git://github.com/example/second.git
    file:///root/third
```

Note: This example is purposefully contrived to illustrate the behavior of the gitfs backend. This example should not be read as a recommended way to lay out files and git repos.

The **file:**// prefix denotes a git repository in a local directory. However, it will still use the given **file:**// URL as a remote, rather than copying the git repo to the salt cache. This means that any refs you want accessible must exist as *local* refs in the specified repo.

Warning: Salt versions prior to 2014.1.0 (Hydrogen) are not tolerant of changing the order of remotes, or modifying the URI of existing remotes. In those versions, when modifying remotes it is a good idea to remove the gitfs cache directory (/var/cache/salt/master/qitfs) before restarting the salt-master service.

Assume that each repository contains some files:

```
first.git:
    top.sls
    edit/vim.sls
    edit/vimrc
    nginx/init.sls

second.git:
    edit/dev_vimrc
    haproxy/init.sls

third:
    haproxy/haproxy.conf
    edit/dev_vimrc
```

The repositories will be searched for files by the master in the order in which they are defined in the configuration, Therefore the remote **git://github.com/example/first.git** will be searched first, if the requested file is found then it is served and no further searching is executed. This means that if the file **salt://haproxy/init.sls** is requested then it will

be pulled from the **git://github.com/example/second.git** git repo. If **salt://haproxy/haproxy.conf** is requested then it will be pulled from the third repo.

Serving from a Subdirectory

The gitfs_root option gives the ability to serve files from a subdirectory within the repository. The path is defined relative to the root of the repository.

With this repository structure:

```
repository.git:
    somefolder
    otherfolder
    top.sls
    edit/vim.sls
    edit/vimrc
    nginx/init.sls
```

Configuration and files can be accessed normally with:

```
gitfs_root: somefolder/otherfolder
```

Multiple Backends

Sometimes it may make sense to use multiple backends. For instance, if sls files are stored in git, but larger files need to be stored directly on the master.

The logic used for multiple remotes is also used for multiple backends. If the fileserver_backend option contains multiple backends:

```
fileserver_backend:
  - roots
  - git
```

Then the roots backend (the default backend of files in /srv/salt) will be searched first for the requested file, then if it is not found on the master the git remotes will be searched.

Branches, environments and top.sls files

As stated above, when using the gitfs backend, branches will be mapped to environments using the branch name as identifier. There is an exception to this rule thought: the master branch is implicitly mapped to the base environment. Therefore, for a typical base, qa, dev setup, you'll have to create the following branches:

```
master
qa
dev
```

Also, top.sls files from different branches will be merged into one big file at runtime. Since this could lead to hardly manageable configurations, the recommended setup is to have the top.sls file only in your master branch, and use environment-specific branches for states definitions.

GitFS Remotes over SSH

In order to configure a gitfs_remotes repository over SSH transport the git+ssh URL form must be used.

```
gitfs_remotes:
    - git+ssh://git@github.com/example/salt-states.git
```

The private key used to connect to the repository must be located in ~/.ssh/id_rsa for the user running the salt-master.

Using Git as an External Pillar Source

Git repositories can also be used to provide *Pillar* data, using the *External Pillar* system. To define a git external pillar, you can add a section like the following to your master config file:

```
ext_pillar:
    - git: <branch> <repo> [root=<gitroot>]
```

Changed in version Helium: The optional root parameter will be added.

The

| Stranch > param is the branch containing the pillar SLS tree, and the <repo > param is the URI for the repository. The below example would add the master branch of the specified repo as an external pillar source:

```
ext_pillar:
    - git: master https://domain.com/pillar.git
```

Use the root parameter to use pillars from a subdirectory of the GIT repository:

```
ext_pillar:
    - git: master https://domain.com/pillar.git root=subdirectory
```

More information on the git external pillar can be found here.

Why aren't my custom modules/states/etc. syncing to my Minions?

In versions 0.16.3 and older, when using the *git fileserver backend*, certain versions of GitPython may generate errors when fetching, which Salt fails to catch. While not fatal to the fetch process, these interrupt the fileserver update that takes place before custom types are synced, and thus interrupt the sync itself. Try disabling the git fileserver backend in the master config, restarting the master, and attempting the sync again.

This issue is worked around in Salt 0.16.4 and newer.

3.4.8 The MacOS X (Maverick) Developer Step By Step Guide To Salt Installation

This document provides a step-by-step guide to installing a Salt cluster consisting of one master, and one minion running on a local VM hosted on Mac OS X.

Note: This guide is aimed at developers who wish to run Salt in a virtual machine. The official (Linux) walkthrough can be found here.

The 5 Cent Salt Intro

Since you're here you've probably already heard about Salt, so you already know Salt lets you configure and run commands on hordes of servers easily. Here's a brief overview of a Salt cluster:

- Salt works by having a "master" server sending commands to one or multiple "minion" servers ². The master server is the "command center". It is going to be the place where you store your configuration files, aka: "which server is the db, which is the web server, and what libraries and software they should have installed". The minions receive orders from the master. Minions are the servers actually performing work for your business.
- Salt has two types of configuration files:
 - 1. the "salt communication channels" or "meta" or "config" configuration files (not official names): one for the master (usually is /etc/salt/master, on the master server), and one for minions (default is /etc/salt/minion or /etc/salt/minion.conf, on the minion servers). Those files are used to determine things like the Salt Master IP, port, Salt folder locations, etc.. If these are configured incorrectly, your minions will probably be unable to receive orders from the master, or the master will not know which software a given minion should install.
 - 2. the "business" or "service" configuration files (once again, not an official name): these are configuration files, ending with ".sls" extension, that describe which software should run on which server, along with particular configuration properties for the software that is being installed. These files should be created in the /srv/salt folder by default, but their location can be changed using ... /etc/salt/master configuration file!

Note: This tutorial contains a third important configuration file, not to be confused with the previous two: the virtual machine provisioning configuration file. This in itself is not specifically tied to Salt, but it also contains some Salt configuration. More on that in step 3. Also note that all configuration files are YAML files. So indentation matters.

Before Digging In, The Architecture Of The Salt Cluster

Salt Master

The "Salt master" server is going to be the Mac OS machine, directly. Commands will be run from a terminal app, so Salt will need to be installed on the Mac. This is going to be more convenient for toying around with configuration files.

Salt Minion

We'll only have one "Salt minion" server. It is going to be running on a Virtual Machine running on the Mac, using VirtualBox. It will run an Ubuntu distribution.

3.4.9 Step 1 - Configuring The Salt Master On Your Mac

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Because Salt has a lot of dependencies that are not built in Mac OS X, we will use Homebrew to install Salt. Homebrew is a package manager for Mac, it's great, use it (for this tutorial at least!). Some people spend a lot of time installing libs by hand to better understand dependencies, and then realize how useful a package manager is once they're configuring a brand new machine and have to do it all over again. It also lets you *uninstall* things easily.

Note: Brew is a Ruby program (Ruby is installed by default with your Mac). Brew downloads, compile and links software. The linking phase is when compiled software is deployed on your machine. It may conflict with manually installed software, especially in the /usr/local directory. It's ok, remove the manually installed version then refresh the link by typing brew link 'packageName'. Brew has a brew doctor command that can help you troubleshoot. It's a great command, use it often. Brew requires xcode command line tools. When you run brew the first time it asks you to install them if they're not already on your system. Brew installs software in /usr/local/bin (system

² Salt also works with "masterless" configuration where a minion is autonomous (in which case salt can be seen as a local configuration tool), or in "multiple master" configuration. See the documentation for more on that.

bins are in /usr/bin). In order to use those bins you need your \$PATH to search there first. Brew tells you if your \$PATH needs to be fixed.

Tip: Use the keyboard shortcut cmd + shift + period in the "open" Mac OS X dialog box to display hidden files and folders, such as .profile.

Install Homebrew

Install Homebrew here http://brew.sh/ Or just type

```
ruby -e "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.github.com/mxcl/homebrew/go)"
```

Now type the following commands in your terminal (you may want to type brew doctor after each to make sure everything's fine):

```
brew install python
brew install swig
brew install zmq
```

Note: zmq is ZeroMQ. It's a fantastic library used for server to server network communication and is at the core of Salt efficiency.

Install Salt

you should now have everything ready to launch this command:

```
pip install salt
```

Note: There should be no need for sudo pip install salt. Brew installed Python for your user, so you should have all the access. In case you would like to check, type which python to ensure that it's /usr/local/bin/python, and which pip which should be /usr/local/bin/pip.

Now type python in a terminal then, import salt. There should be no errors. Now exit the Python terminal using exit().

Create The Master Configuration

If the default /etc/salt/master configuration file was not created, copy-paste it from here: http://docs.saltstack.com/ref/configuration/examples.html#configuration-examples-master

Note: /etc/salt/master is a file, not a folder.

Salt Master configuration changes. The Salt master needs a few customization to be able to run on Mac OS X:

```
sudo launchetl limit maxfiles 4096 8192
```

In the /etc/salt/master file, change max_open_files to 8192 (or just add the line: max_open_files: 8192 (no quote) if it doesn't already exists).

You should now be able to launch the Salt master:

```
sudo salt-master --log-level=all
```

There should be no errors when running the above command.

Note: This command is supposed to be a daemon, but for toying around, we'll keep it running on a terminal to monitor the activity.

Now that the master is set, let's configure a minion on a VM.

3.4.10 Step 2 - Configuring The Minion VM

The Salt minion is going to run on a Virtual Machine. There are a lot of software options that let you run virtual machines on a mac, But for this tutorial we're going to use VirtualBox. In addition to virtualBox, we will use Vagrant, which allows you to create the base VM configuration.

Vagrant lets you build ready to use VM images, starting from an OS image and customizing it using "provisioners". In our case, we'll use it to:

- · Download the base Ubuntu image
- Install salt on that Ubuntu image (Salt is going to be the "provisioner" for the VM).
- Launch the VM
- SSH into the VM to debug
- Stop the VM once you're done.

Install VirtualBox

Go get it here: https://www.virtualBox.org/wiki/Downloads (click on VirtualBox for OS X hosts => x86/amd64)

Install Vagrant

Go get it here: http://downloads.vagrantup.com/ and choose the latest version (1.3.5 at time of writing), then the .dmg file. double-click to install it. Make sure the vagrant command is found when run in the terminal. Type vagrant. It should display a list of commands.

Create The Minion VM Folder

Create a folder in which you will store your minion's VM. In this tutorial, it's going to be a minion folder in the \$home directory.

```
cd $home
mkdir minion
```

Initialize Vagrant

From the minion folder, type

```
vagrant init
```

This command creates a default Vagrantfile configuration file. This configuration file will be used to pass configuration parameters to the Salt provisioner in Step 3.

Import Precise64 Ubuntu Box

vagrant box add precise64 http://files.vagrantup.com/precise64.box

Note: This box is added at the global Vagrant level. You only need to do it once as each VM will use this same file.

Modify the Vagrantfile

Modify /minion/Vagrantfile to use th precise64 box. Change the config.vm.box line to:

```
config.vm.box = "precise64"
```

Uncomment the line creating a host-only IP. This is the ip of your minion (you can change it to something else if that IP is already in use):

```
config.vm.network :private_network, ip: "192.168.33.10"
```

At this point you should have a VM that can run, although there won't be much in it. Let's check that.

Checking The VM

From the \$home/minion folder type:

```
vagrant up
```

A log showing the VM booting should be present. Once it's done you'll be back to the terminal:

```
ping 192.168.33.10
```

The VM should respond to your ping request.

Now log inside the VM in ssh using Vagrant again:

```
vagrant ssh
```

You should see the shell prompt changing to something similar to vagrant@precise64:~\$ meaning you're inside the VM. From there enter the following:

```
ping 10.0.2.2
```

Note: That ip is the ip of your VM host (the Mac OS X OS). The number is a VirtualBox default and is displayed in the log after the Vagrant ssh command. We'll use that IP to tell the minion where the Salt master is. Once you're done, end the ssh session by typing exit.

It's now time to connect the VM to the salt master

3.4.11 Step 3 - Connecting Master and Minion

Creating The Minion Configuration File

Create the /etc/salt/minion file. In that file, put the following lines, giving the ID for this minion, and the IP of the master:

```
master: 10.0.2.2
id: 'minion1'
file_client: remote
```

Minions authenticate with the master using keys. Keys are generated automatically if you don't provide one, and you can accept them later on. But this requires you to accept the minion key every time you destroy and recreate a minion (which could be quite often). A better way is to create those keys in advance, feed them to the minion, and authorize them once.

Preseed minion keys

From the minion folder on your Mac run:

```
sudo salt-key --gen-keys=minion1
```

This should create two files: minion1.pem, and minion1.pub. Since those files have been created by sudo, but will be used by vagrant, you need to change ownership:

```
sudo chown youruser:yourgroup minion1.pem
sudo chown youruser:yourgroup minion1.pub
```

Then copy the .pub file into the list of accepted minions:

```
sudo cp minion1.pub /etc/salt/pki/master/minions/minion1
```

Modify Vagrantfile to Use Salt Provisioner

Let's now modify the Vagrantfile used to provision the Salt VM. Add the following section in the Vagrantfile (note: it should be at the same indentation level as the other properties):

```
# salt-vagrant config
config.vm.provision :salt do |salt|
    salt.run_highstate = true
    salt.minion_config = "./minion.conf"
    salt.minion_key = "./minion1.pem"
    salt.minion_pub = "./minion1.pub"
end
```

Now destroy the vm and recreate it from the /minion folder:

```
vagrant destroy vagrant up
```

If everything is fine you should see the following message:

```
"Bootstrapping Salt... (this may take a while) Salt successfully configured and installed!"
```

Checking Master-Minion Communication

To make sure the master and minion are talking to each other, enter the following:

```
sudo salt '*' test.ping
```

You should see your minion answering the ping. It's now time to do some configuration.

3.4.12 Step 4 - Configure Services to Install On the Minion

In this step we'll use the Salt master to instruct our minion to install Nginx.

Checking the system's original state

First, make sure that an HTTP server is not installed on our minion. When opening a browser directed at http://192.168.33.10/ You should get an error saying the site cannot be reached.

Initialize the top.sls file

System configuration is done in the /srv/salt/top.sls file (and subfiles/folders), and then applied by running the state.highstate command to have the Salt master give orders so minions will update their instructions and run the associated commands.

First Create an empty file on your Salt master (Mac OS X machine):

```
touch /srv/salt/top.sls
```

When the file is empty, or if no configuration is found for our minion an error is reported:

```
sudo salt 'minion1' state.highstate
```

Should return an error stating: "No Top file or external nodes data matches found".

Create The Nginx Configuration

Now is finally the time to enter the real meat of our server's configuration. For this tutorial our minion will be treated as a web server that needs to have Nginx installed.

Insert the following lines into the /srv/salt/top.sls file (which should current be empty).

```
base:
  'minion1':
    - bin.nginx
```

Now create a /srv/salt/bin/nginx.sls file containing the following:

```
nginx:
   pkg.installed:
     - name: nginx
   service.running:
     - enable: True
     - reload: True
```

Check Minion State

Finally run the state.highstate command again:

```
sudo salt 'minion1' state.highstate
```

You should see a log showing that the Nginx package has been installed and the service configured. To prove it, open your browser and navigate to http://192.168.33.10/, you should see the standard Nginx welcome page.

Congratulations!

Where To Go From Here

A full description of configuration management within Salt (sls files among other things) is available here: http://docs.saltstack.com/index.html#configuration-management

3.4.13 Writing Salt Tests

Note: THIS TUTORIAL IS A WORK IN PROGRESS

Salt comes with a powerful integration and unit test suite. The test suite allows for the fully automated run of integration and/or unit tests from a single interface. The integration tests are surprisingly easy to write and can be written to be either destructive or non-destructive.

Gettign Set Up For Tests

To walk through adding an integration test, start by getting the latest development code and the test system from github:

Note: The develop branch often has failing tests and should always be considered a staging area. For a checkout that tests should be running perfectly on please checkout from a specific release tag.

```
git clone git@github.com:saltstack/salt.git
pip install git+https://github.com/saltstack/salt-testing.git#egg=SaltTesting
```

Now that a fresh checkout is available run the test suite

Destructive vs Non-destructive

Since Salt is used to change the settings and behavior of systems often the best approach to run tests is to make actual changes to an underlying system. This is where the concept of destructive integration tests comes into play. Tests can be written to alter the system they are running on. This capability is what fills in the gap needed to properly test aspects of system management like package installation.

To write a destructive test import and use the *destructiveTest* decorator for the test method:

```
import integration
from salttesting.helpers import destructiveTest

class PkgTest(integration.ModuleCase):
    @destructiveTest
    def test_pkg_install(self):
        ret = self.run_function('pkg.install', name='finch')
        self.assertSaltTrueReturn(ret)
        ret = self.run_function('pkg.purge', name='finch')
        self.assertSaltTrueReturn(ret)
```

Automated Test Runs

SaltStack maintains a Jenkins server which can be viewed at http://jenkins.saltstack.com. The tests executed from this Jenkins server create fresh virtual machines for each test run, then execute the destructive tests on the new clean virtual machine. This allows for the execution of tests across supported platforms.

3.5 Salt Cloud

3.5.1 Salt as a Cloud Controller

In Salt 0.14.0 advanced cloud control systems were introduced, allowing for private cloud vms to be managed directly with Salt. This system is generally referred to as **Salt Virt**.

The Salt Virt system already exists and is installed within Salt itself, this means that beyond setting up Salt no additional salt code needs to be deployed.

The main goal of Salt Virt is the facilitate a very fast and simple cloud. A cloud that can scale and a fully featured cloud. Salt Virt comes with the ability to set up and manage complex virtual machine networking, powerful image and disk management, as well as virtual machine migration, migration with and without shared storage.

This means that Salt Virt can be used to create a cloud from a blade center and a SAN, but can also create a cloud out of a swarm of Linux Desktops without a single shared storage system. Salt Virt can make clouds from truly commodity hardware, but can also stand up the power of specialized hardware as well.

Setting up Hypervisors

The first step to set up the hypervisors involves getting the correct software installed and setting up the hypervisor network interfaces.

Installing Hypervisor Software

Salt Virt is made to be hypervisor agnostic, but currently the only fully implemented hypervisor is KVM via libvirt.

The required software for a hypervisor is libvirt and kym. For advanced features install libguestfs or qemu-nbd.

Note: Libguestfs and qemu-nbd allow for virtual machine images to be mounted before startup and get pre-seeded with configurations and a salt minion

This sls will set up the needed software for a hypervisor, and run the routines to set up the libvirt pki keys.

Note: Package names and setup used is Red Hat specific, different package names will be required for different platforms

```
libvirt:
  pkg:
    - installed
  file:
    - managed
    - name: /etc/sysconfig/libvirtd
    - contents: 'LIBVIRTD ARGS="--listen"'
    - require:
      - pkg: libvirt
  libvirt:
    - keys
    - require:
      - pkg: libvirt
  service:
    - running
    - name: libvirtd
    - require:
```

```
- pkg: libvirt
- network: br0
- libvirt: libvirt
- watch:
- file: libvirt

libvirt-python:
pkg:
- installed

libguestfs:
pkg:
- installed
- pkgs:
- libguestfs
- libguestfs-tools
```

Hypervisor Network Setup

The hypervisors will need to be running a network bridge to serve up network devices for virtual machines, this formula will set up a standard bridge on a hypervisor connecting the bridge to eth0:

```
eth0:
    network.managed:
    - enabled: True
    - type: eth
    - bridge: br0

br0:
    network.managed:
    - enabled: True
    - type: bridge
    - proto: dhcp
    - require:
    - network: eth0
```

Virtual Machine Network Setup

Salt Virt comes with a system to model the network interfaces used by the deployed virtual machines, by default a single interface is created for the deployed virtual machine and is bridged to br0. To get going with the default networking setup ensure that the bridge interface named br0 exists on the hypervisor and is bridged to an active network device.

Note: To use more advanced networking in Salt Virt read the Salt Virt Networking document:

Salt Virt Networking

Libvirt State

One of the challenges of deploying a libvirt based cloud is the distribution of libvirt certificates. These certificates allow for virtual machine migration. Salt comes with a system used to auto deploy these certificates. Salt manages the signing authority key and generates keys for libvirt clients on the master, signs them with the certificate authority and

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uses pillar to distribute them. This is managed via the libvirt state. Simply execute this formula on the minion to ensure that the certificate is in place and up to date:

Note: The above formula includes the calls needed to set up libvirt keys.

```
libvirt_keys:
   libvirt.keys
```

Getting Virtual Machine Images Ready

Salt Virt, requires that virtual machine images be provided as these are not generated on the fly. Generating these virtual machine images differs greatly based on the underlying platform.

Virtual machine images can be manually created using KVM and running through the installer, but this process is not recommended since it is very manual and prone to errors.

Virtual Machine generation applications are available for many platforms:

vm-builder: https://wiki.debian.org/VMBuilder

Once virtual machines images are available the easiest way to make them available to Salt Virt is to place them in the Salt file server. Just copy an image into /srv/salt and it can now be used by Salt Virt.

For purposes of this demo, the file name centos.img will be used.

Existing Virtual Machine Images

Many existing Linux distributions distribute virtual machine images which can be used with Salt Virt. Please be advised that NONE OF THESE IMAGES ARE SUPPORTED BY SALTSTACK.

CentOS These images have been prepared for OpenNebula but should work without issue with Salt Virt, only the raw qcow image file is needed: http://wiki.centos.org/Cloud/OpenNebula

Fedora Linux Images for Fedora Linux can be found here: http://fedoraproject.org/en/get-fedora#clouds

Ubuntu Linux Images for Ubuntu Linux can be found here: http://cloud-images.ubuntu.com/

Using Salt Virt

With hypervisors set up and virtual machine images ready, Salt can start issuing cloud commands.

Start by running a Salt Virt hypervisor info command:

```
salt-run virt.hyper_info
```

This will query what the running hypervisor stats are and display information for all configured hypervisors. This command will also validate that the hypervisors are properly configured.

Now that hypervisors are available a virtual machine can be provisioned. The virt.init routine will create a new virtual machine:

```
salt-run virt.init centos1 2 512 salt://centos.img
```

This command assumes that the CentOS virtual machine image is sitting in the root of the Salt fileserver. Salt Virt will now select a hypervisor to deploy the new virtual machine on and copy the virtual machine image down to the hypervisor.

Once the VM image has been copied down the new virtual machine will be seeded. Seeding the VMs involves setting pre-authenticated Salt keys on the new VM and if needed, will install the Salt Minion on the new VM before it is started.

Note: The biggest bottleneck in starting VMs is when the Salt Minion needs to be installed. Making sure that the source VM images already have Salt installed will GREATLY speed up virtual machine deployment.

Now that the new VM has been prepared, it can be seen via the virt.query command:

```
salt-run virt.query
```

This command will return data about all of the hypervisors and respective virtual machines.

Now that the new VM is booted it should have contacted the Salt Master, a test.ping will reveal if the new VM is running.

Migrating Virtual Machines

Salt Virt comes with full support for virtual machine migration, and using the libvirt state in the above formula makes migration possible.

A few things need to be available to support migration. Many operating systems turn on firewalls when originally set up, the firewall needs to be opened up to allow for libvirt and kvm to cross communicate and execution migration routines. On Red Hat based hypervisors in particular port 16514 needs to be opened on hypervisors:

```
iptables -A INPUT -m state --state NEW -m tcp -p tcp --dport 16514 -j ACCEPT
```

Note: More in-depth information regarding distribution specific firewall settings can read in:

Opening the Firewall up for Salt

Salt also needs an additional flag to be turned on as well. The virt.tunnel option needs to be turned on. This flag tells Salt to run migrations securely via the libvirt TLS tunnel and to use port 16514. Without virt.tunnel libvirt tries to bind to random ports when running migrations. To turn on virt.tunnel simple apply it to the master config file:

```
virt.tunnel: True
```

Once the master config has been updated, restart the master and send out a call to the minions to refresh the pillar to pick up on the change:

```
salt \* saltutil.refresh_modules
```

Now, migration routines can be run! To migrate a VM, simply run the Salt Virt migrate routine:

```
salt-run virt.migrate centos <new hypervisor>
```

VNC Consoles

Salt Virt also sets up VNC consoles by default, allowing for remote visual consoles to be oped up. The information from a virt.query routine will display the vnc console port for the specific vms:

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```
centos
  CPU: 2
  Memory: 524288
  State: running
  Graphics: vnc - hyper6:5900
  Disk - vda:
     Size: 2.0G
     File: /srv/salt-images/ubuntu2/system.qcow2
     File Format: qcow2
  Nic - ac:de:48:98:08:77:
     Source: br0
     Type: bridge
```

The line *Graphics: vnc - hyper6:5900* holds the key. First the port named, in this case 5900, will need to be available in the hypervisor's firewall. Once the port is open, then the console can be easily opened via vncviewer:

```
vncviewer hyper6:5900
```

By default there is no VNC security set up on these ports, which suggests that keeping them firewalled and mandating that SSH tunnels be used to access these VNC interfaces. Keep in mind that activity on a VNC interface that is accessed can be viewed by any other user that accesses that same VNC interface, and any other user logging in can also operate with the logged in user on the virtual machine.

Conclusion

Now with Salt Virt running, new hypervisors can be seamlessly added just by running the above states on new bare metal machines, and these machines will be instantly available to Salt Virt.

3.6 Halite

3.6.1 Installing and Configuring Halite

In this tutorial, we'll walk through installing and setting up Halite. The current version of Halite is considered prealpha and is supported only in Salt v2014.1.0 (Hydrogen) or greater. Additional information is available on GitHub: https://github.com/saltstack/halite

Before beginning this tutorial, ensure that the salt-master is installed. To install the salt-master, please review the installation documentation: http://docs.saltstack.com/topics/installation/index.html

Note: Halite only works with Salt versions greater than 2014.1.0 (Hydrogen).

Installing Halite Via Package

On CentOS, RHEL, or Fedora:

```
$ yum install python-halite
```

Note: By default python-halite only installs CherryPy. If you would like to use a different webserver please review the instructions below to install pip and your server of choice. The package does not modify the master configuration with /etc/salt/master.

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Installing Halite Using pip

To begin the installation of Halite from PyPi, you'll need to install pip. The Salt package, as well as the bootstrap, do not install pip by default.

On CentOS, RHEL, or Fedora:

```
$ yum install python-pip
On Debian:
$ apt-get install python-pip
```

Once you have pip installed, use it to install halite:

```
$ pip install -U halite
```

Depending on the webserver you want to run halite through, you'll need to install that piece as well. On RHEL based distros, use one of the following:

```
$ pip install cherrypy

$ pip install paste

$ yum install python-devel
$ yum install gcc
$ pip install gevent
```

On Debian based distributions:

```
$ pip install CherryPy
$ pip install paste

$ apt-get install gcc
$ apt-get install python-dev
$ apt-get install libevent-dev
$ pip install gevent
```

Configuring Halite Permissions

Configuring Halite access permissions is easy. By default, you only need to ensure that the @runner group is configured. In the /etc/salt/master file, uncomment and modify the following lines:

```
external_auth:
  pam:
    testuser:
    - .*
    - '@runner'
```

Note: You cannot use the root user for pam login; it will fail to authenticate.

Halite uses the runner manage.present to get the status of minions, so runner permissions are required. For example:

```
external_auth:
   pam:
     mytestuser:
     - .*
```

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```
- '@runner'
- '@wheel'
```

Currently Halite allows, but does not require, any wheel modules.

Configuring Halite Settings

Once you've configured the permissions for Halite, you'll need to set up the Halite settings in the /etc/salt/master file. Halite supports CherryPy, Paste and Gevent out of the box.

To configure cherrypy, add the following to the bottom of your /etc/salt/master file:

```
halite:
    level: 'debug'
    server: 'cherrypy'
    host: '0.0.0.0'
    port: '8080'
    cors: False
    tls: True
    certpath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.crt'
    keypath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.key'
    pempath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.pem'
```

If you wish to use paste:

```
halite:
    level: 'debug'
    server: 'paste'
    host: '0.0.0.0'
    port: '8080'
    cors: False
    tls: True
    certpath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.crt'
    keypath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.key'
    pempath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.pem'
```

To use gevent:

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```
halite:
  level: 'debug'
  server: 'gevent'
  host: '0.0.0.0'
  port: '8080'
  cors: False
  tls: True
  certpath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.crt'
  keypath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.key'
  pempath: '/etc/pki/tls/certs/localhost.pem'
```

The "cherrypy" and "gevent" servers require the certpath and keypath files to run tls/ssl. The .crt file holds the public cert and the .key file holds the private key. Whereas the "paste" server requires a single .pem file that contains both the cert and key. This can be created simply by concatenating the .crt and .key files.

If you want to use a self-signed cert, you can create one using the Salt.tls module:

Note: You might wish to target only a specific minion. The example below targets all connected minions.

```
salt '*' tls.create_self_signed_cert test
```

You can also use salt-call to create a self-signed cert.

```
salt-call tls.create_self_signed_cert tls
```

Note that certs generated by the above command can be found under the /etc/pki/tls/certs/ directory. When using self-signed certs, browsers will need approval before accepting the cert. If the web application page has been cached with a non-HTTPS version of the app, then the browser cache will have to be cleared before it will recognize and prompt to accept the self-signed certificate.

Starting Halite

Once you've configured the halite section of your /etc/salt/master, you can restart the salt-master service, and your halite instance will be available. Depending on your configuration, the instance will be available either at http://localhost:8080/app, http://domain:8080/app, or http://localhost:8080/app.

Note: halite requires an HTML 5 compliant browser.

All logs relating to halite are logged to the default /var/log/salt/master file.

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Targeting Minions

Targeting minions is specifying which minions should run a command or execute a state by matching against host-names, or system information, or defined groups, or even combinations thereof.

For example the command salt web1 apache.signal restart to restart the Apache httpd server specifies the machine web1 as the target and the command will only be run on that one minion.

Similarly when using States, the following *top file* specifies that only the web1 minion should execute the contents of webserver.sls:

```
base:
  'web1':
    - webserver
```

There are many ways to target individual minions or groups of minions in Salt:

4.1 Matching the minion id

Each minion needs a unique identifier. By default when a minion starts for the first time it chooses its FQDN (fully qualified domain name) as that identifier. The minion id can be overridden via the minion's id configuration setting.

Tip: minion id and minion keys

The *minion id* is used to generate the minion's public/private keys and if it ever changes the master must then accept the new key as though the minion was a new host.

4.1.1 Globbing

The default matching that Salt utilizes is shell-style globbing around the *minion id*. This also works for states in the *top file*.

Note: You must wrap **salt** calls that use globbing in single-quotes to prevent the shell from expanding the globs before Salt is invoked.

Match all minions:

```
salt '*' test.ping
```

Match all minions in the example.net domain or any of the example domains:

```
salt '*.example.net' test.ping

Match all the webN minions in the example.net domain (web1.example.net, web2.example.net ...
webN.example.net):
salt 'web?.example.net' test.ping

Match the web1 through web5 minions:
salt 'web[1-5]' test.ping

Match the web1 and web3 minions:
salt 'web[1,3]' test.ping

Match the web-x, web-y, and web-z minions:
salt 'web-[x-z]' test.ping
```

Note: For additional targeting methods please review the *compound matchers* documentation.

4.1.2 Regular Expressions

Minions can be matched using Perl-compatible regular expressions (which is globbing on steroids and a ton of caffeine).

Match both web1-prod and web1-devel minions:

```
salt -E 'web1-(prod|devel)' test.ping
```

When using regular expressions in a State's *top file*, you must specify the matcher as the first option. The following example executes the contents of webserver.sls on the above-mentioned minions.

```
base:
  'web1-(prod|devel)':
  - match: pcre
  - webserver
```

4.1.3 Lists

At the most basic level, you can specify a flat list of minion IDs:

```
salt -L 'web1, web2, web3' test.ping
```

4.2 Grains

Salt comes with an interface to derive information about the underlying system. This is called the grains interface, because it presents salt with grains of information.

The grains interface is made available to Salt modules and components so that the right salt minion commands are automatically available on the right systems.

It is important to remember that grains are bits of information loaded when the salt minion starts, so this information is static. This means that the information in grains is unchanging, therefore the nature of the data is static. So grains information are things like the running kernel, or the operating system.

Match all CentOS minions:

```
salt -G 'os:CentOS' test.ping
```

Match all minions with 64-bit CPUs, and return number of CPU cores for each matching minion:

```
salt -G 'cpuarch:x86_64' grains.item num_cpus
```

Additionally, globs can be used in grain matches, and grains that are nested in a *dictionary* can be matched by adding a colon for each level that is traversed. For example, the following will match hosts that have a grain called ec2_tags, which itself is a *dict* with a key named environment, which has a value that contains the word production:

```
salt -G 'ec2_tags:environment:*production*'
```

4.2.1 Listing Grains

Available grains can be listed by using the 'grains.ls' module:

```
salt '*' grains.ls
```

Grains data can be listed by using the 'grains.items' module:

```
salt '*' grains.items
```

4.2.2 Grains in the Minion Config

Grains can also be statically assigned within the minion configuration file. Just add the option grains and pass options to it:

```
grains:
    roles:
    - webserver
    - memcache
    deployment: datacenter4
    cabinet: 13
    cab_u: 14-15
```

Then status data specific to your servers can be retrieved via Salt, or used inside of the State system for matching. It also makes targeting, in the case of the example above, simply based on specific data about your deployment.

4.2.3 Grains in /etc/salt/grains

If you do not want to place your custom static grains in the minion config file, you can also put them in /etc/salt/grains on the minion. They are configured in the same way as in the above example, only without a top-level grains: key:

```
roles:
   - webserver
   - memcache
deployment: datacenter4
cabinet: 13
cab_u: 14-15
```

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4.2.4 Matching Grains in the Top File

With correctly configured grains on the Minion, the *top file* used in Pillar or during Highstate can be made very efficient. For example, consider the following configuration:

For this example to work, you would need to have defined the grain node_type for the minions you wish to match. This simple example is nice, but too much of the code is similar. To go one step further, Jinja templating can be used to simplify the the *top file*.

Using Jinja templating, only one match entry needs to be defined.

Note: The example above uses the grains.get function to account for minions which do not have the node_type grain set.

4.2.5 Writing Grains

Grains are easy to write. The grains interface is derived by executing all of the "public" functions found in the modules located in the grains package or the custom grains directory. The functions in the modules of the grains must return a Python *dict*, where the keys in the *dict* are the names of the grains and the values are the values.

Custom grains should be placed in a _grains directory located under the file_roots specified by the master config file. They will be distributed to the minions when state.highstate is run, or by executing the saltutil.sync_grains or saltutil.sync_all functions.

Before adding a grain to Salt, consider what the grain is and remember that grains need to be static data. If the data is something that is likely to change, consider using *Pillar* instead.

4.2.6 Precedence

Core grains can be overriden by custom grains. As there are several ways of defining custom grains, there is an order of precedence which should be kept in mind when defining them. The order of evaluation is as follows:

- 1. Core grains.
- 2. Custom grains in /etc/salt/grains.
- 3. Custom grains in /etc/salt/minion.
- 4. Custom grain modules in _grains directory, synced to minions.

Each successive evaluation overrides the previous ones, so any grains defined in /etc/salt/grains that have the same name as a core grain will override that core grain. Similarly, /etc/salt/minion overrides both core grains and grains set in /etc/salt/grains, and custom grain modules will override *any* grains of the same name.

4.2.7 Examples of Grains

The core module in the grains package is where the main grains are loaded by the Salt minion and provides the principal example of how to write grains:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/grains/core.py

4.2.8 Syncing Grains

Syncing grains can be done a number of ways, they are automatically synced when state.highstate is called, or (as noted above) the grains can be manually synced and reloaded by calling the saltutil.sync_grains or saltutil.sync_all functions.

4.3 Node groups

Nodegroups are declared using a compound target specification. The compound target documentation can be found *here*.

The nodegroups master config file parameter is used to define nodegroups. Here's an example nodegroup configuration within /etc/salt/master:

```
nodegroups:
    group1: 'L@foo.domain.com,bar.domain.com,baz.domain.com or bl*.domain.com'
    group2: 'G@os:Debian and foo.domain.com'
```

Note: The L within group1 is matching a list of minions, while the G in group2 is matching specific grains. See the *compound matchers* documentation for more details.

To match a nodegroup on the CLI, use the -N command-line option:

```
salt -N group1 test.ping
```

To match a nodegroup in your *top file*, make sure to put - match: nodegroup on the line directly following the nodegroup name.

```
base:
   group1:
   - match: nodegroup
   - webserver
```

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4.4 Compound matchers

Compound matchers allow very granular minion targeting using any of Salt's matchers. The default matcher is a glob match, just as with CLI and *top file* matching. To match using anything other than a glob, prefix the match string with the appropriate letter from the table below, followed by an @ sign.

Letter	Match Type	Example
G	Grains glob	G@os:Ubuntu
Е	PCRE Minion ID	E@web\d+\.(dev qa prod)\.loc
P	Grains PCRE	P@os:(RedHat Fedora CentOS)
L	List of minions	L@minion1.example.com,minion3.domain.com or bl*.domain.com
I	Pillar glob	I@pdata:foobar
S	Subnet/IP address	S@192.168.1.0/24 or S@192.168.1.100
R	Range cluster	R@%foo.bar

Matchers can be joined using boolean and, or, and not operators.

For example, the following string matches all Debian minions with a hostname that begins with webserv, as well as any minions that have a hostname which matches the regular expression web-dcl-srv.*:

```
salt -C 'webserv* and G@os:Debian or E@web-dc1-srv.*' test.ping
```

That same example expressed in a *top file* looks like the following:

```
base:
```

Note that a leading not is not supported in compound matches. Instead, something like the following must be done:

```
salt -C '* and not G@kernel:Darwin' test.ping
```

Excluding a minion based on its ID is also possible:

```
salt -C '* and not web-dc1-srv' test.ping
```

4.5 Batch Size

The -b (or --batch-size) option allows commands to be executed on only a specified number of minions at a time. Both percentages and finite numbers are supported.

```
salt '*' -b 10 test.ping
salt -G 'os:RedHat' --batch-size 25% apache.signal restart
```

This will only run test.ping on 10 of the targeted minions at a time and then restart apache on 25% of the minions matching os:RedHat at a time and work through them all until the task is complete. This makes jobs like rolling web server restarts behind a load balancer or doing maintenance on BSD firewalls using carp much easier with salt.

The batch system maintains a window of running minions, so, if there are a total of 150 minions targeted and the batch size is 10, then the command is sent to 10 minions, when one minion returns then the command is sent to one additional minion, so that the job is constantly running on 10 minions.

Storing Static Data in the Pillar

Pillar is an interface for Salt designed to offer global values that can be distributed to all minions. Pillar data is managed in a similar way as the Salt State Tree.

Pillar was added to Salt in version 0.9.8

Note: Storing sensitive data

Unlike state tree, pillar data is only available for the targeted minion specified by the matcher type. This makes it useful for storing sensitive data specific to a particular minion.

5.1 Declaring the Master Pillar

The Salt Master server maintains a pillar_roots setup that matches the structure of the file_roots used in the Salt file server. Like the Salt file server the pillar_roots option in the master config is based on environments mapping to directories. The pillar data is then mapped to minions based on matchers in a top file which is laid out in the same way as the state top file. Salt pillars can use the same matcher types as the standard top file.

The configuration for the pillar_roots in the master config file is identical in behavior and function as file_roots:

```
pillar_roots:
   base:
     - /srv/pillar
```

This example configuration declares that the base environment will be located in the /srv/pillar directory. It must not be in a subdirectory of the state tree. The top file used matches the name of the top file used for States, and has the same structure:

```
/srv/pillar/top.sls
base:
    '*':
    - packages
```

This further example shows how to use other standard top matching types (grain matching is used in this example) to deliver specific salt pillar data to minions with different os grains:

```
dev:
    'os:Debian':
    - match: grain
    - servers
```

```
/srv/pillar/packages.sls
{% if grains['os'] == 'RedHat' %}
apache: httpd
git: git
{% elif grains['os'] == 'Debian' %}
apache: apache2
git: git-core
{% endif %}
```

Now this data can be used from within modules, renderers, State SLS files, and more via the shared pillar dict:

```
apache:
   pkg:
        - installed
        - name: {{ pillar['apache'] }}

git:
   pkg:
        - installed
        - name: {{ pillar['git'] }}
```

Note that you cannot just list key/value-information in top.sls.

5.2 Pillar namespace flattened

The separate pillar files all share the same namespace. Given a top.sls of:

Then a request for the bind pillar will only return 'named'; the 'bind9' value is not available. It is better to structure your pillar files with more hierarchy. For example your package.sls file could look like:

```
packages:
  bind: bind9
```

5.3 Including Other Pillars

New in version 0.16.0.

Pillar SLS files may include other pillar files, similar to State files. Two syntaxes are available for this purpose. The simple form simply includes the additional pillar as if it were part of the same file:

```
include:
    - users
```

The full include form allows two additional options – passing default values to the templating engine for the included pillar file as well as an optional key under which to nest the results of the included pillar:

```
include:
    - users:
        defaults:
            sudo: ['bob', 'paul']
        key: users
```

With this form, the included file (users.sls) will be nested within the 'users' key of the compiled pillar. Additionally, the 'sudo' value will be available as a template variable to users.sls.

5.4 Viewing Minion Pillar

Once the pillar is set up the data can be viewed on the minion via the pillar module, the pillar module comes with two functions, pillar.items and and pillar.raw. pillar.items will return a freshly reloaded pillar and pillar.raw will return the current pillar without a refresh:

```
salt '*' pillar.items
```

Note: Prior to version 0.16.2, this function is named pillar.data. This function name is still supported for backwards compatibility.

5.5 Pillar "get" Function

New in version 0.14.0.

The pillar.get function works much in the same way as the get method in a python dict, but with an enhancement: nested dict components can be extracted using a : delimiter.

If a structure like this is in pillar:

```
foo:
   bar:
   baz: qux
```

Extracting it from the raw pillar in an sls formula or file template is done this way:

```
{{ pillar['foo']['bar']['baz'] }}
```

Now, with the new pillar.get function the data can be safely gathered and a default can be set, allowing the template to fall back if the value is not available:

```
{{ salt['pillar.get']('foo:bar:baz', 'qux') }}
```

This makes handling nested structures much easier.

```
Note: pillar.get() vs salt['pillar.get']()
```

It should be noted that within templating, the pillar variable is just a dictionary. This means that calling pillar.get() inside of a template will just use the default dictionary .get() function which does not include the extra: delimeter functionality. It must be called using the above syntax (salt['pillar.get']('foo:bar:baz', 'qux')) to get the salt function, instead of the default dictionary behavior.

5.6 Refreshing Pillar Data

When pillar data is changed on the master the minions need to refresh the data locally. This is done with the saltutil.refresh_pillar function.

```
salt '*' saltutil.refresh_pillar
```

This function triggers the minion to asynchronously refresh the pillar and will always return None.

5.7 Targeting with Pillar

Pillar data can be used when targeting minions. This allows for ultimate control and flexibility when targeting minions.

```
salt -I 'somekey:specialvalue' test.ping
```

Like with *Grains*, it is possible to use globbing as well as match nested values in Pillar, by adding colons for each level that is being traversed. The below example would match minions with a pillar named foo, which is a dict containing a key bar, with a value beginning with baz:

```
salt -I 'foo:bar:baz*' test.ping
```

5.8 Master Config In Pillar

For convenience the data stored in the master configuration file is made available in all minion's pillars. This makes global configuration of services and systems very easy but may not be desired if sensitive data is stored in the master configuration.

To disable the master config from being added to the pillar set pillar_opts to False:

```
pillar_opts: False
```

Reactor System

Salt version 0.11.0 introduced the reactor system. The premise behind the reactor system is that with Salt's events and the ability to execute commands, a logic engine could be put in place to allow events to trigger actions, or more accurately, reactions.

This system binds sls files to event tags on the master. These sls files then define reactions. This means that the reactor system has two parts. First, the reactor option needs to be set in the master configuration file. The reactor option allows for event tags to be associated with sls reaction files. Second, these reaction files use highdata (like the state system) to define reactions to be executed.

6.1 Event System

A basic understanding of the event system is required to understand reactors. The event system is a local ZeroMQ PUB interface which fires salt events. This event bus is an open system used for sending information notifying Salt and other systems about operations.

The event system fires events with a very specific criteria. Every event has a **tag**. Event tags allow for fast top level filtering of events. In addition to the tag, each event has a data structure. This data structure is a dict, which contains information about the event.

6.2 Mapping Events to Reactor SLS Files

Reactor SLS files and event tags are associated in the master config file. By default this is /etc/salt/master, or /etc/salt/master.d/reactor.conf.

In the master config section 'reactor:' is a list of event tags to be matched and each event tag has a list of reactor SLS files to be run.

```
reactor: # Master config section "reactor"

- 'salt/minion/*/start': # Match tag "salt/minion/*/start"

- /srv/reactor/start.sls # Things to do when a minion starts

- /srv/reactor/monitor.sls # Other things to do

- 'salt/cloud/*/destroyed': # Globs can be used to matching tags

- /srv/reactor/decommision.sls # Things to do when a server is removed
```

Reactor sls files are similar to state and pillar sls files. They are by default yaml + Jinja templates and are passed familar context variables.

They differ because of the addition of the tag and data variables.

- The tag variable is just the tag in the fired event.
- The data variable is the event's data dict.

Here is a simple reactor sls:

```
{% if data['id'] == 'mysql1' %}
highstate_run:
   cmd.state.highstate:
   - tgt: mysql1
{% endif %}
```

This simple reactor file uses Jinja to further refine the reaction to be made. If the id in the event data is mysql1 (in other words, if the name of the minion is mysql1) then the following reaction is defined. The same data structure and compiler used for the state system is used for the reactor system. The only difference is that the data is matched up to the salt command API and the runner system. In this example, a command is published to the mysql1 minion with a function of state. highstate. Similarly, a runner can be called:

```
{% if data['data']['overstate'] == 'refresh' %}
overstate_run:
   runner.state.over
{% endif %}
```

This example will execute the state overstate runner and initiate an overstate execution.

6.3 Fire an event

```
To fire an event from a minion call event.fire_master
```

```
salt-call event.fire_master '{"overstate": "refresh"}' 'foo'
```

After this is called, any reactor sls files matching event tag foo will execute with {{ data['data']['overstate'] }} equal to 'refresh'.

See salt.modules.event for more information.

6.4 Knowing what event is being fired

Knowing exactly which event is being fired and what data is has for use in the sls files can be challenging. The easiest way to see exactly what's going on is to use the **eventlisten.py** script. This script is not part of packages but is part of the source.

If the master process is using the default socket, no additional options will be required. Otherwise, you will need to specify the socket location.

Example usage:

```
wget https://raw.github.com/saltstack/salt/develop/tests/eventlisten.py
python eventlisten.py
# OR
python eventlisten.py --sock-dir /path/to/var/run/salt
```

Example output:

```
Event fired at Fri Dec 20 10:43:00 2013
******
Tag: salt/auth
Data:
{'_stamp': '2013-12-20_10:47:54.584699',
 'act': 'accept',
 'id': 'fuzzer.domain.tld',
'pub': '----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY----\nMIICIDANBgk+TRIMMED+EMZ8CAQE=\n----END PUBLIC KEY----\n',
 'result': True}
Event fired at Fri Dec 20 10:43:01 2013
******
Tag: salt/minion/fuzzer.domain.tld/start
{'_stamp': '2013-12-20_10:43:01.638387',
'cmd': '_minion_event',
'data': 'Minion fuzzer.domain.tld started at Fri Dec 20 10:43:01 2013',
 'id': 'fuzzer.domain.tld',
 'pretag': None,
 'tag': 'salt/minion/fuzzer.domain.tld/start'}
```

6.5 Debugging the Reactor

The best window into the Reactor is to run the master in the foreground with debug logging enabled. The output will include when the master sees the event, what the master does in response to that event, and it will also include the rendered SLS file (or any errors generated while rendering the SLS file).

- 1. Stop the master.
- 2. Start the master manually:

```
salt-master -1 debug
```

6.6 Understanding the Structure of Reactor Formulas

While the reactor system uses the same data structure as the state system, this data does not translate the same way to operations. In state files formula information is mapped to the state functions, but in the reactor system information is mapped to a number of available subsystems on the master. These systems are the **LocalClient** and the **Runners**. The **state declaration** field takes a reference to the function to call in each interface. So to trigger a salt-run call the **state declaration** field will start with **runner**, followed by the runner function to call. This means that a call to what would be on the command line **salt-run manage.up** will be **runner.manage.up**. An example of this in a reactor formula would look like this:

```
manage_up:
    runner.manage.up
```

If the runner takes arguments then they can be specified as well:

```
overstate_dev_env:
    runner.state.over:
    - env: dev
```

Executing remote commands maps to the **LocalClient** interface which is used by the **salt** command. This interface more specifically maps to the **cmd_async** method inside of the **LocalClient** class. This means that the arguments

passed are being passed to the **cmd_async** method, not the remote method. A field starts with **cmd** to use the **Local-Client** subsystem. The result is, to execute a remote command, a reactor formular would look like this:

```
clean_tmp:
    cmd.cmd.run:
        - tgt: '*'
        - arg:
        - rm -rf /tmp/*
```

The arg option takes a list of arguments as they would be presented on the command line, so the above declaration is the same as running this salt command:

```
salt '*' cmd.run 'rm -rf /tmp/*'
```

Use the expr_form argument to specify a matcher:

```
clean_tmp:
    cmd.cmd.run:
        - tgt: 'os:Ubuntu'
        - expr_form: grain
        - arg:
              - rm -rf /tmp/*

clean_tmp:
    cmd.cmd.run:
        - tgt: 'G@roles:hbase_master'
        - expr_form: compound
        - arg:
              - rm -rf /tmp/*
```

An interesting trick to pass data from the Reactor script to state.highstate or state.sls is to pass it as inline Pillar data since both functions take a keyword argument named pillar.

The following example uses Salt's Reactor to listen for the event that is fired when the key for a new minion is accepted on the master using salt-key.

```
/etc/salt/master.d/reactor.conf:
reactor:
    - 'salt/key':
     - /srv/salt/haproxy/react_new_minion.sls
```

The Reactor then fires a state.sls command targeted to the HAProxy servers and passes the ID of the new minion from the event to the state file via inline Pillar.

The above command is equivalent to the following command at the CLI:

```
salt 'haproxy*' state.sls haproxy.refresh_pool 'pillar={new_minion: minionid}'
```

Finally, that data is available in the state file using the normal Pillar lookup syntax. The following example is grabbing web server names and IP addresses from *Salt Mine*. If this state is invoked from the Reactor then the custom Pillar value from above will be available and the new minion will be added to the pool but with the disabled flag so that HAProxy won't yet direct traffic to it.

```
/srv/salt/haproxy/refresh_pool.sls:
{% set new_minion = salt['pillar.get']('new_minion') %}

listen web *:80
    balance source
    {% for server,ip in salt['mine.get']('web*', 'network.interfaces', ['eth0']).items() %}
    {% if server == new_minion %}
    server {{ server }} {{ ip }}:80 disabled
    {% else %}
    server {{ server }} {{ ip }}:80 check
    {% endif %}
    {% endfor %}
```

6.7 A complete example

In this example, we're going to assume that we have a group of servers that will come online at random and need to have keys automatically accepted. We'll also add that we don't want all servers being automatically accepted. For this example, we'll assume that all hosts that have an id that starts with 'ink' will be automatically accepted and have state.highstate executed. On top of thise, we're going to add that a host coming up that was replaced (meaning a new key) will also be accepted.

Our master configuration will be rather simple. All minions that attempte to authenticate will match the **tag** of **salt/auth**. When it comes to the minion key being accepted, we get a more refined **tag** that includes the minion id, which we can use for matching.

```
/etc/salt/master.d/reactor.conf:
reactor:
    - 'salt/auth':
          - /srv/reactor/auth-pending.sls
    - 'salt/minion/ink*/start':
          - /srv/reactor/auth-complete.sls
```

In this sls file, we say that if the key was rejected we will delete the key on the master and then also tell the master to ssh in to the minion and tell it to restart the minion, since a minion process will die if the key is rejected.

We also say that if the key is pending and the id starts with ink we will accept the key. A minion that is waiting on a pending key will retry authentication authentication every ten second by default.

```
/srv/reactor/auth-pending.sls:
{# Ink server faild to authenticate -- remove accepted key #}
{% if not data['result'] and data['id'].startswith('ink') %}
minion_remove:
   wheel.key.delete:
        - match: {{ data['id'] }}
minion_rejoin:
   cmd.cmd.run:
        - tgt: salt-master.domain.tld
```

```
- arg:
    - ssh -o UserKnownHostsFile=/dev/null -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no "{{ data['id'] }}" 'sleep 10
{% endif %}

{# Ink server is sending new key -- accept this key #}
{% if 'act' in data and data['act'] == 'pend' and data['id'].startswith('ink') %}

minion_add:
    wheel.key.accept:
    - match: {{ data['id'] }}
{% endif %}
```

No if statements are needed here because we already limited this action to just Ink servers in the master configuration.

/srv/reactor/auth-complete.sls:

```
{# When an Ink server connects, run state.highstate. #}
highstate_run:
   cmd.state.highstate:
   - tgt: {{ data['id'] }}
```

The Salt Mine

Granted, it took a while for this name to be used in Salt, but version 0.15.0 introduces a new system to Salt called the Salt Mine.

The Salt Mine is used to bridge the gap between setting static variables and gathering live data. The Salt mine is used to collect arbitrary data from minions and store it on the master. This data is then made available to all minions via the mine module.

The data is gathered on the minion and sent back to the master where only the most recent data is maintained (if long term data is required use returners or the external job cache).

7.1 Mine Functions

To enable the Salt Mine the *mine_functions* option needs to be applied to a minion. This option can be applied via the minion's configuration file, or the minion's pillar. The *mine_functions* option dictates what functions are being executed and allows for arguments to be passed in:

```
mine_functions:
  network.interfaces: []
  test.ping: []
```

7.2 Mine Interval

The Salt Mine functions are executed when the minion starts and at a given interval by the scheduler. The default interval is every 60 minutes and can be adjusted for the minion via the *mine_interval* option:

```
mine_interval: 60
```

External Authentication System

Salt's External Authentication System (eAuth) allows for Salt to pass through command authorization to any external authentication system, such as PAM or LDAP.

8.1 Access Control System

New in version 0.10.4.

Salt maintains a standard system used to open granular control to non administrative users to execute Salt commands. The access control system has been applied to all systems used to configure access to non administrative control interfaces in Salt. These interfaces include, the peer system, the external auth system and the client acl system.

The access control system mandated a standard configuration syntax used in all of the three aforementioned systems. While this adds functionality to the configuration in 0.10.4, it does not negate the old configuration.

Now specific functions can be opened up to specific minions from specific users in the case of external auth and client ACLs, and for specific minions in the case of the peer system.

The access controls are manifested using matchers in these configurations:

In the above example, fred is able to send commands only to minions which match the specified glob target. This can be expanded to include other functions for other minions based on standard targets.

```
external_auth:
  pam:
  dave:
    - test.ping
    - mongo\*:
     - network.*
    - log\*:
     - network.*
    - pkg.*
    - 'G@os:RedHat':
     - kmod.*
```

```
steve:
```

The above allows for all minions to be hit by test.ping by dave, and adds a few functions that dave can execute on other minions. It also allows steve unrestricted access to salt commands.

The external authentication system allows for specific users to be granted access to execute specific functions on specific minions. Access is configured in the master configuration file and uses the *access control system*:

The above configuration allows the user thatch to execute functions in the test and network modules on the minions that match the web* target. User steve is given unrestricted access to minion commands.

Note: The PAM module does not allow authenticating as root.

To allow access to wheel modules or runner modules the following @ syntax must be used:

```
external_auth:
   pam:
    thatch:
        - '@wheel'
        - '@runner'
```

The external authentication system can then be used from the command-line by any user on the same system as the master with the -a option:

```
$ salt -a pam web\* test.ping
```

The system will ask the user for the credentials required by the authentication system and then publish the command.

To apply permissions to a group of users in an external authentication system, append a % to the ID:

8.2 Tokens

With external authentication alone, the authentication credentials will be required with every call to Salt. This can be alleviated with Salt tokens.

Tokens are short term authorizations and can be easily created by just adding a -T option when authenticating:

```
$ salt -T -a pam web\* test.ping
```

Now a token will be created that has a expiration of 12 hours (by default). This token is stored in a file named .salt_token in the active user's home directory.

Once the token is created, it is sent with all subsequent communications. User authentication does not need to be entered again until the token expires.

Token expiration time can be set in the Salt master config file.

8.3 LDAP

Salt supports both user and group authentication for LDAP.

LDAP configuration happens in the Salt master configuration file.

Server configuration values:

```
auth.ldap.server: localhost
auth.ldap.port: 389
auth.ldap.tls: False
auth.ldap.scope: 2
```

Salt also needs to know which Base DN to search for users and groups and the DN to bind to:

```
auth.ldap.basedn: dc=saltstack,dc=com
auth.ldap.binddn: cn=admin,dc=saltstack,dc=com
```

To bind to a DN, a password is required

```
auth.ldap.bindpw: mypassword
```

Salt users a filter to find the DN associated with a user. Salt substitutes the { { username } } value for the username when querying LDAP.

```
auth.ldap.filter: uid={{ username }}
```

If group support for LDAP is desired, one can specify an OU that contains group data. This is pre-pendeed to the basedn to create a search path

```
auth.ldap.groupou: Groups
```

Once configured, LDAP permissions can be assigned to users and groups.

To configure an LDAP group, append a % to the ID:

```
external_auth:
ldap:
    test_ldap_group%:
         ' *':
          test.echo
```

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Job Management

New in version 0.9.7.

Since Salt executes jobs running on many systems, Salt needs to be able to manage jobs running on many systems.

9.1 The Minion proc System

Salt Minions maintain a *proc* directory in the Salt cachedir. The *proc* directory maintains files named after the executed job ID. These files contain the information about the current running jobs on the minion and allow for jobs to be looked up. This is located in the *proc* directory under the cachedir, with a default configuration it is under */var/cache/salt/proc*.

9.2 Functions in the saltutil Module

Salt 0.9.7 introduced a few new functions to the *saltutil* module for managing jobs. These functions are:

- 1. running Returns the data of all running jobs that are found in the *proc* directory.
- 2. find_job Returns specific data about a certain job based on job id.
- 3. signal_job Allows for a given jid to be sent a signal.
- 4. term_job Sends a termination signal (SIGTERM, 15) to the process controlling the specified job.
- 5. kill_job Sends a kill signal (SIGKILL, 9) to the process controlling the specified job.

These functions make up the core of the back end used to manage jobs at the minion level.

9.3 The jobs Runner

A convenience runner front end and reporting system has been added as well. The jobs runner contains functions to make viewing data easier and cleaner.

The jobs runner contains a number of functions...

9.3.1 active

The active function runs saltutil.running on all minions and formats the return data about all running jobs in a much more usable and compact format. The active function will also compare jobs that have returned and jobs that are still running, making it easier to see what systems have completed a job and what systems are still being waited on.

```
# salt-run jobs.active
```

9.3.2 lookup jid

When jobs are executed the return data is sent back to the master and cached. By default it is cached for 24 hours, but this can be configured via the keep_jobs option in the master configuration. Using the lookup_jid runner will display the same return data that the initial job invocation with the salt command would display.

```
# salt-run jobs.lookup_jid < job id number>
```

9.3.3 list jobs

Before finding a historic job, it may be required to find the job id. list_jobs will parse the cached execution data and display all of the job data for jobs that have already, or partially returned.

```
# salt-run jobs.list_jobs
```

9.4 Scheduling Jobs

In Salt versions greater than 0.12.0, the scheduling system allows incremental executions on minions or the master. The schedule system exposes the execution of any execution function on minions or any runner on the master.

Scheduling is enabled via the schedule option on either the master or minion config files, or via a minion's pillar data.

Note: The scheduler executes different functions on the master and minions. When running on the master the functions reference runner functions, when running on the minion the functions specify execution functions.

Specify maxrunning to ensure that there are no more than N copies of a particular routine running. Use this for jobs that may be long-running and could step on each other or otherwise double execute. The default for maxrunning is

States are executed on the minion, as all states are. You can pass positional arguments and provide a yaml dict of named arguments.

9.5 States

```
schedule:
  log-loadavg:
    function: cmd.run
    seconds: 3660
    args:
        - 'logger -t salt < /proc/loadavg'
    kwargs:</pre>
```

```
stateful: False
shell: True
```

9.6 Highstates

To set up a highstate to run on a minion every 60 minutes set this in the minion config or pillar:

```
schedule:
   highstate:
    function: state.highstate
   minutes: 60
```

Time intervals can be specified as seconds, minutes, hours, or days.

9.7 Runners

Runner executions can also be specified on the master within the master configuration file:

```
schedule:
  overstate:
    function: state.over
    seconds: 35
    minutes: 30
    hours: 3
```

The above configuration will execute the state over runner every 3 hours, 30 minutes and 35 seconds, or every 12,635 seconds.

9.8 Scheduler With Returner

The scheduler is also useful for tasks like gathering monitoring data about a minion, this schedule option will gather status data and send it to a mysql returner database:

```
schedule:
   uptime:
    function: status.uptime
   seconds: 60
   returner: mysql
meminfo:
   function: status.meminfo
   minutes: 5
   returner: mysql
```

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Salt Event System

The Salt Event System is used to fire off events enabling third party applications or external processes to react to behavior within Salt.

The event system is comprised of a two primary components:

- The event sockets which publishes events.
- The event library which can listen to events and send events into the salt system.

10.1 Listening for Events

The event system is accessed via the event library and can only be accessed by the same system user that Salt is running as. To listen to events a SaltEvent object needs to be created and then the get_event function needs to be run. The SaltEvent object needs to know the location that the Salt Unix sockets are kept. In the configuration this is the sock_dir option. The sock_dir option defaults to "/var/run/salt/master" on most systems.

The following code will check for a single event:

```
import salt.utils.event
event = salt.utils.event.MasterEvent('/var/run/salt/master')
data = event.get_event()
```

Events will also use a "tag". Tags allow for events to be filtered. By default all events will be returned. If only authentication events are desired, then pass the tag "auth".

The get_event method has a default poll time assigned of 5 seconds. To change this time set the "wait" option.

The following example will only listen for auth events and will wait for 10 seconds instead of the default 5.

```
import salt.utils.event
event = salt.utils.event.MasterEvent('/var/run/salt/master')
data = event.get_event(wait=10, tag='auth')
```

Instead of looking for a single event, the iter_events method can be used to make a generator which will continually yield salt events.

The iter events method also accepts a tag but not a wait time:

```
import salt.utils.event
event = salt.utils.event.MasterEvent('/var/run/salt/master')
for data in event.iter_events(tag='auth'):
    print(data)
```

10.2 Firing Events

It is possible to fire events on either the minion's local bus or to fire events intended for the master.

To fire a local event from the minion, on the command line:

```
salt-call event.fire ' {"data": "message to be sent in the event"}' ' tag'
```

To fire an event to be sent to the master, from the minion:

```
salt-call event.fire_master '{"data": "message for the master"}' 'tag'
```

If a process is listening on the minion, it may be useful for a user on the master to fire an event to it:

```
salt minionname event.fire '{"data": "message for the minion"}' 'tag'
```

10.3 Firing Events From Code

Events can be very useful when writing execution modules, in order to inform various processes on the master when a certain task has taken place. In Salt versions previous to 0.17.0, the basic code looks like:

```
# Import the proper library
import salt.utils.event
# Fire deploy action
sock_dir = '/var/run/salt/minion'
event = salt.utils.event.SaltEvent('master', sock_dir)
event.fire_event('Message to be sent', 'tag')
```

In Salt version 0.17.0, the ability to send a payload with a more complex data structure than a string was added. When using this interface, a Python dictionary should be sent instead.

It should be noted that this code can be used in 3rd party applications as well. So long as the salt-minion process is running, the minion socket can be used:

```
sock_dir = '/var/run/salt/minion'
```

So long as the salt-master process is running, the master socket can be used:

sock_dir = '/var/run/salt/master'

This allows 3rd party applications to harness the power of the Salt event bus programmatically, without having to make other calls to Salt.

A 3rd party process can listen to the event bus on the master and another 3rd party process can fire events to the process on the master, which Salt will happily pass along.

Salt Syndic

The Salt Syndic interface is a powerful tool which allows for the construction of Salt command topologies. A basic Salt setup has a Salt Master commanding a group of Salt Minions. The Syndic interface is a special passthrough minion, it is run on a master and connects to another master, then the master that the Syndic minion is listening to can control the minions attached to the master running the syndic.

The intent for supporting many layouts is not presented with the intent of supposing the use of any single topology, but to allow a more flexible method of controlling many systems.

11.1 Configuring the Syndic

Since the Syndic only needs to be attached to a higher level master the configuration is very simple. On a master that is running a syndic to connect to a higher level master the syndic_master option needs to be set in the master config file. The syndic_master option contains the hostname or IP address of the master server that can control the master that the syndic is running on.

The master that the syndic connects to sees the syndic as an ordinary minion, and treats it as such. the higher level master will need to accept the syndic's minion key like any other minion. This master will also need to set the order_masters value in the configuration to True. The order_masters option in the config on the higher level master is very important, to control a syndic extra information needs to be sent with the publications, the order_masters option makes sure that the extra data is sent out.

To sum up, you have those configuration options available on the master side:

- syndic_master: MasterOfMaster ip/address
- syndic_master_port: MasterOfMaster ret_port
- syndic_log_file: path to the logfile (absolute or not)
- syndic_pidfile: path to the pidfile (absolute or not)

Each Syndic must provide its own file_roots directory. Files will not be automatically transferred from the master-master.

11.2 Running the Syndic

The Syndic is a separate daemon that needs to be started on the master that is controlled by a higher master. Starting the Syndic daemon is the same as starting the other Salt daemons.

salt-syndic

Note: If you have an exceptionally large infrastructure or many layers of syndics, you may find that the CLI doesn't wait long enough for the syndics to return their events. If you think this is the case, you can set the syndic_wait value in the upper master config. The default value is 1, and should work for the majority of deployments.

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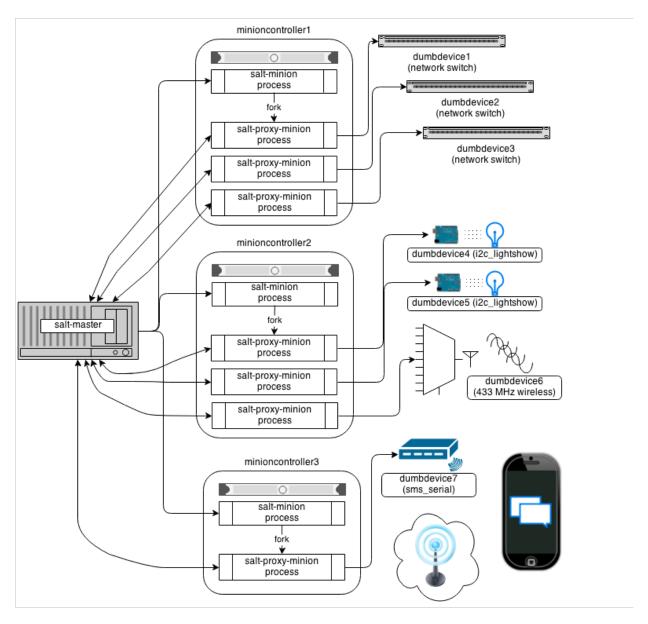
Proxy minions are a developing Salt feature that enables controlling devices that, for whatever reason, cannot run a standard salt-minion. Examples include network gear that has an API but runs a proprietary OS, devices with limited CPU or memory, or devices that could run a minion, but for security reasons, will not.

Proxy minions are not an "out of the box" feature. Because there are an infinite number of controllable devices, you will most likely have to write the interface yourself. Fortunately, this is only as difficult as the actual interface to the proxied device. Devices that have an existing Python module (PyUSB for example) would be relatively simple to interface. Code to control a device that has an HTML REST-based interface should be easy. Code to control your typical housecat would be excellent source material for a PhD thesis.

Salt proxy-minions provide the 'plumbing' that allows device enumeration and discovery, control, status, remote execution, and state management.

12.1 Getting Started

The following diagram may be helpful in understanding the structure of a Salt installation that includes proxy-minions:



The key thing to remember is the left-most section of the diagram. Salt's nature is to have a minion connect to a master, then the master may control the minion. However, for proxy minions, the target device cannot run a minion, and thus must rely on a separate minion to fire up the proxy-minion and make the initial and persistent connection.

After the proxy minion is started and initiates its connection to the 'dumb' device, it connects back to the salt-master and ceases to be affiliated in any way with the minion that started it.

To create support for a proxied device one needs to create four things:

- 1. The proxytype connection class (located in salt/proxy).
- 2. The grains support code (located in salt/grains).
- 3. Salt modules specific to the controlled device.
- 4. Salt states specific to the controlled device.

12.1.1 Configuration parameters on the master

Proxy minions require no configuration parameters in /etc/salt/master.

Salt's Pillar system is ideally suited for configuring proxy-minions. Proxies can either be designated via a pillar file in pillar_roots, or through an external pillar. External pillars afford the opportunity for interfacing with a configuration management system, database, or other knowledgeable system that that may already contain all the details of proxy targets. To use static files in pillar_roots, pattern your files after the following examples, which are based on the diagram above:

```
/srv/salt/pillar/top.sls
base:
 minioncontroller1:
    - networkswitches
 minioncontroller2:
    - reallydumbdevices
 minioncontroller3:
    - smsgateway
/srv/salt/pillar/networkswitches.sls
 dumbdevice1:
   proxytype: networkswitch
   host: 172.23.23.5
   username: root
   passwd: letmein
 dumbdevice2:
   proxytype: networkswitch
   host: 172.23.23.6
   username: root
   passwd: letmein
 dumbdevice3:
   proxytype: networkswitch
   host: 172.23.23.7
   username: root
   passwd: letmein
/srv/salt/pillar/reallydumbdevices.sls
proxy:
 dumbdevice4:
   proxytype: i2c_lightshow
   i2c_address: 1
 dumbdevice5:
   proxytype: i2c_lightshow
    i2c_address: 2
 dumbdevice6:
   proxytype: 433mhz_wireless
/srv/salt/pillar/smsgateway.sls
proxy:
 minioncontroller3:
   dumbdevice7:
      proxytype: sms_serial
      deventry: /dev/tty04
```

Note the contents of each minioncontroller key may differ widely based on the type of device that the proxy-minion is managing.

In the above example

- dumbdevices 1, 2, and 3 are network switches that have a management interface available at a particular IP address.
- dumbdevices 4 and 5 are very low-level devices controlled over an i2c bus. In this case the devices are physically connected to machine 'minioncontroller2', and are addressable on the i2c bus at their respective i2c addresses.
- dumbdevice6 is a 433 MHz wireless transmitter, also physically connected to minioncontroller2
- dumbdevice7 is an SMS gateway connected to machine minioncontroller3 via a serial port.

Because of the way pillar works, each of the salt-minions that fork off the proxy minions will only see the keys specific to the proxies it will be handling. In other words, from the above example, only minioncontroller1 will see the connection information for dumbdevices 1, 2, and 3. Minioncontroller2 will see configuration data for dumbdevices 4, 5, and 6, and minioncontroller3 will be privy to dumbdevice7.

Also, in general, proxy-minions are lightweight, so the machines that run them could conceivably control a large number of devices. The example above is just to illustrate that it is possible for the proxy services to be spread across many machines if necessary, or intentionally run on machines that need to control devices because of some physical interface (e.g. i2c and serial above). Another reason to divide proxy services might be security. In more secure environments only certain machines may have a network path to certain devices.

Now our salt-minions know if they are supposed to spawn a proxy-minion process to control a particular device. That proxy-minion process will initiate a connection back to the master to enable control.

12.1.2 Proxytypes

A proxytype is a Python class called 'Proxyconn' that encapsulates all the code necessary to interface with a device. Proxytypes are located inside the salt.proxy module. At a minimum a proxytype object must implement the following methods:

proxytype (self): Returns a string with the name of the proxy type.

proxyconn (self, **kwargs): Provides the primary way to connect and communicate with the device. Some proxyconns instantiate a particular object that opens a network connection to a device and leaves the connection open for communication. Others simply abstract a serial connection or even implement endpoints to communicate via REST over HTTP.

id (self, opts): Returns a unique, unchanging id for the controlled device. This is the "name" of the device, and is used by the salt-master for targeting and key authentication.

Optionally, the class may define a shutdown (self, opts) method if the controlled device should be informed when the minion goes away cleanly.

It is highly recommended that the test.ping execution module also be defined for a proxytype. The code for ping should contact the controlled device and make sure it is really available.

Here is an example proxytype used to interface to Juniper Networks devices that run the Junos operating system. Note the additional library requirements—most of the "hard part" of talking to these devices is handled by the jnpr.junos, jnpr.junos.utils and jnpr.junos.cfg modules.

```
# Import python libs
import logging
import os

import jnpr.junos
import jnpr.junos.utils
import jnpr.junos.cfg
HAS_JUNOS = True
```

```
class Proxyconn (object):
    def __init__(self, details):
        self.conn = jnpr.junos.Device(user=details['username'], host=details['host'], password=details
        self.conn.open()
        self.conn.bind(cu=jnpr.junos.cfg.Resource)
    def proxytype(self):
        return 'junos'
    def id(self, opts):
        return self.conn.facts['hostname']
    def ping(self):
        return self.conn.connected
    def shutdown(self, opts):
        print('Proxy module {} shutting down!!'.format(opts['id']))
            self.conn.close()
        except Exception:
            pass
```

Grains are data about minions. Most proxied devices will have a paltry amount of data as compared to a typical Linux server. Because proxy-minions are started by a regular minion, they inherit a sizeable number of grain settings which can be useful, especially when targeting (PYTHONPATH, for example).

All proxy minions set a grain called 'proxy'. If it is present, you know the minion is controlling another device. To add more grains to your proxy minion for a particular device, create a file in salt/grains named [proxytype].py and place inside it the different functions that need to be run to collect the data you are interested in. Here's an example:

12.2 The __proxyenabled__ directive

Salt states and execution modules, by and large, cannot "automatically" work with proxied devices. Execution modules like pkg or sqlite3 have no meaning on a network switch or a housecat. For a state/execution module to be available to a proxy-minion, the __proxyenabled__ variable must be defined in the module as an array containing the names of all the proxytypes that this module can support. The array can contain the special value * to indicate that the module supports all proxies.

If no __proxyenabled__ variable is defined, then by default, the state/execution module is unavailable to any proxy.

Here is an excerpt from a module that was modified to support proxy-minions:

```
def ping():
    if 'proxyobject' in __opts__:
        if 'ping' in __opts__['proxyobject'].__attr__():
            return __opts['proxyobject'].ping()
        else:
```

```
return False
else:
    return True

And then in salt.proxy.junos we find
def ping(self):
```

```
return self.connected
```

The Junos API layer lacks the ability to do a traditional 'ping', so the example simply checks the connection object field that indicates if the ssh connection was successfully made to the device.

Windows Software Repository

The Salt Windows Software Repository provides a package manager and software repository similar to what is provided by yum and apt on Linux.

It permits the installation of software using the installers on remote windows machines. In many senses, the operation is similar to that of the other package managers salt is aware of:

- the pkg.installed and similar states work on Windows.
- the pkg.install and similar module functions work on Windows.
- each windows machine needs to have pkg.refresh_db executed against it to pick up the latest version of the package database.

High level differences to yum and apt are:

- The repository metadata (sls files) is hosted through either salt or git.
- Packages can be downloaded from within the salt repository, a git repository or from http(s) or ftp urls.
- No dependencies are managed. Dependencies between packages needs to be managed manually.

13.1 Operation

The install state/module function of the windows package manager works roughly as follows:

- 1. Execute pkg.list_pkgs and store the result
- 2. Check if any action needs to be taken. (ie compare required package and version against pkg.list_pkgs results)
- 3. If so, run the installer command.
- 4. Execute pkg.list_pkgs and compare to the result stored from before installation.
- 5. Success/Failure/Changes will be reported based on the differences between the original and final pkg.list_pkgs results.

If there are any problems in using the package manager it is likely to be due to the data in your sls files not matching the difference between the pre and post pkg.list_pkgs results.

13.2 Usage

By default, the Windows software repository is found at /srv/salt/win/repo This can be changed in the master config file (default location is /etc/salt/master) by modifying the win_repo variable. Each piece of software should have its own directory which contains the installers and a package definition file. This package definition file is a YAML file named init.sls.

The package definition file should look similar to this example for Firefox: /srv/salt/win/repo/firefox/init.sls

```
Firefox:
  17.0.1:
    installer: 'salt://win/repo/firefox/English/Firefox Setup 17.0.1.exe'
    full_name: Mozilla Firefox 17.0.1 (x86 en-US)
    locale: en_US
    reboot: False
    install_flags: ' -ms'
    uninstaller: '%ProgramFiles(x86)%/Mozilla Firefox/uninstall/helper.exe'
    uninstall_flags: ' /S'
    installer: 'salt://win/repo/firefox/English/Firefox Setup 16.0.2.exe'
    full_name: Mozilla Firefox 16.0.2 (x86 en-US)
    locale: en_US
    reboot: False
    install_flags: ' -ms'
    uninstaller: '%ProgramFiles(x86)%/Mozilla Firefox/uninstall/helper.exe'
    uninstall_flags: ' /S'
  15.0.1:
    installer: 'salt://win/repo/firefox/English/Firefox Setup 15.0.1.exe'
    full_name: Mozilla Firefox 15.0.1 (x86 en-US)
    locale: en_US
    reboot: False
    install_flags: ' -ms'
    uninstaller: '%ProgramFiles(x86)%/Mozilla Firefox/uninstall/helper.exe'
    uninstall_flags: ' /S'
```

More examples can be found here: https://github.com/saltstack/salt-winrepo

The version number and full_name need to match the output from pkg.list_pkgs so that the status can be verfied when running highstate. Note: It is still possible to successfully install packages using pkg.install even if they don't match which can make this hard to troubleshoot.

```
0.3.8.76
Notepad++:
6.4.2
Salt Minion 0.16.0:
0.16.0
```

If any of these preinstalled packages already exist in winrepo the full_name will be automatically renamed to their package name during the next update (running highstate or installing another package).

```
test-2008:
    7zip:
       9.20.00.0
   Microsoft .NET Framework 4 Client Profile:
       4.0.30319, 4.0.30319
   Microsoft .NET Framework 4 Extended:
       4.0.30319, 4.0.30319
   Microsoft Visual C++ 2008 Redistributable - x64 9.0.21022:
        9.0.21022
   Mozilla Maintenance Service:
       17.0.1
   Notepad++:
        6.4.2
    Salt Minion 0.16.0:
        0.16.0
    firefox:
       17.0.1
    nsclient:
        0.3.9.328
```

Add msiexec: True if using an MSI installer requiring the use of msiexec /i to install and msiexec /x to uninstall.

The install_flags and uninstall_flags are flags passed to the software installer to cause it to perform a silent install. These can often be found by adding /? or /h when running the installer from the command line. A great resource for finding these silent install flags can be found on the WPKG project's wiki:

```
7zip:
9.20.00.0:
    installer: salt://win/repo/7zip/7z920-x64.msi
    full_name: 7-Zip 9.20 (x64 edition)
    reboot: False
    install_flags: ' /q '
    msiexec: True
    uninstaller: salt://win/repo/7zip/7z920-x64.msi
    uninstall_flags: ' /qn'
```

13.3 Generate Repo Cache File

Once the sls file has been created, generate the repository cache file with the winrepo runner:

```
salt-run winrepo.genrepo
```

Then update the repository cache file on your minions, exactly how it's done for the Linux package managers:

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

13.4 Install Windows Software

Now you can query the available version of Firefox using the Salt pkg module.

As you can see, there are three versions of Firefox available for installation. You can refer a software package by its name or its full_name surround by single quotes.

```
salt '*' pkg.install 'Firefox'
```

The above line will install the latest version of Firefox.

```
salt '*' pkg.install 'Firefox' version=16.0.2
```

The above line will install version 16.0.2 of Firefox.

If a different version of the package is already installed it will be replaced with the version in winrepo (only if the package itself supports live updating).

You can also specify the full name:

```
salt '*' pkg.install 'Mozilla Firefox 17.0.1 (x86 en-US)'
```

13.5 Uninstall Windows Software

Uninstall software using the pkg module:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove 'Firefox'
salt '*' pkg.purge 'Firefox'
```

pkg.purge just executes pkg.remove on Windows. At some point in the future pkg.purge may direct the installer to remove all configs and settings for software packages that support that option.

13.6 Standalone Minion Salt Windows Repo Module

In order to facilitate managing a Salt Windows software repo with Salt on a Standalone Minion on Windows, a new module named winrepo has been added to Salt. winrepo matches what is available in the salt runner and allows you to manage the Windows software repo contents. Example: salt '*' winrepo.genrepo

13.7 Git Hosted Repo

Windows software package definitions can also be hosted in one or more git repositories. The default repo is one hosted on Github.com by SaltStack,Inc., which includes package definitions for open source software. This repo points to the HTTP or ftp locations of the installer files. Anyone is welcome to send a pull request to this repo to add new package definitions. Browse the repo here: https://github.com/saltstack/salt-winrepo.

Configure which git repos the master can search for package definitions by modifying or extending the win_gitrepos configuration option list in the master config.

Checkout each git repo in win_gitrepos, compile your package repository cache and then refresh each minion's package cache:

```
salt-run winrepo.update_git_repos
salt-run winrepo.genrepo
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

13.8 Troubleshooting

13.8.1 Incorrect name/version

If the package seems to install properly, but salt reports a failure then it is likely you have a version or full_name mismatch.

Check the exact full_name and version used by the package. Use pkg.list_pkgs to check that the names and version exactly match what is installed.

13.8.2 Changes to sls files not being picked up

Ensure you have (re)generated the repository cache file and then updated the repository cache on the relevant minions:

```
salt-run winrepo.genrepo
salt 'MINION' pkg.refresh_db
```

13.8.3 Packages management under Windows 2003

On windows server 2003, you need to install optional windows component "wmi windows installer provider" to have full list of installed packages. If you don't have this, salt-minion can't report some installed software.

Salt Cloud

14.1 Getting Started

14.1.1 Install Salt Cloud

Salt Cloud is now part of Salt proper. It was merged in as of Salt version 2014.1.0.

Salt Cloud depends on apache-libcloud. Libcloud can be installed via pip with pip install apache-libcloud.

Installing Salt Cloud for development

Installing Salt for development enables Salt Cloud development as well, just make sure apache-libcloud is installed as per above paragraph.

See these instructions: Installing Salt for development.

14.1.2 Getting Started With Azure

New in version 2014.1.0.

Azure is a cloud service by Microsoft providing virtual machines, SQL services, media services, and more. This document describes how to use Salt Cloud to create a virtual machine on Azure, with Salt installed.

You can find more information about Azure at http://www.windowsazure.com/.

Dependencies

- The Azure Python SDK.
- A Microsoft Azure account
- OpenSSL (to generate the certificates)
- Salt

Configuration

Set up the provider config at /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/azure.conf:

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/azure.conf
my-azure-config:
   provider: azure
   subscription_id: 3287abc8-f98a-c678-3bde-326766fd3617
   certificate_path: /etc/salt/azure.pem

# Set up the location of the salt master
#
minion:
   master: saltmaster.example.com

provider: azure

# Optional
management_host: management.core.windows.net
```

The certificate used must be generated by the user. OpenSSL can be used to create the management certificates. Two certificates are needed: a .cer file, which is uploaded to Azure, and a .pem file, which is stored locally.

To create the .pem file, execute the following command:

```
openssl req -x509 -nodes -days 365 -newkey rsa:1024 -keyout /etc/salt/azure.pem -out /etc/salt/azure
```

To create the .cer file, execute the following command:

```
openssl x509 -inform pem -in /etc/salt/azure.pem -outform der -out /etc/salt/azure.cer
```

After you creating these files, the .cer file will need to be uploaded to Azure via the "Upload" action of the "Settings" tab of the management portal.

Optionally, a management_host may be configured, if necessary for your region.

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles:

```
azure-ubuntu:
   provider: my-azure-config
   image: 'b39f27a8b8c64d52b05eac6a62ebad85__Ubuntu-12_04_3-LTS-amd64-server-20131003-en-us-30GB'
   size: Small
   location: 'East US'
   ssh_username: azureuser
   ssh_password: verybadpass
   slot: production
   media_link: 'http://portalvhdabcdefghijklmn.blob.core.windows.net/vhds'
```

These options are described in more detail below. Once configured, the profile can be realized with a salt command:

```
salt-cloud -p azure-ubuntu newinstance
```

This will create an salt minion instance named newinstance in Azure. If the command was executed on the salt-master, its Salt key will automatically be signed on the master.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

salt newminion test.ping

Profile Options

The following options are currently available for Azure.

provider

The name of the provider as configured in /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/azure.conf.

image

The name of the image to use to create a VM. Available images can be viewed using the following command:

```
salt-cloud --list-images my-azure-config
```

size

The name of the size to use to create a VM. Available sizes can be viewed using the following command:

```
salt-cloud --list-sizes my-azure-config
```

location

The name of the location to create a VM in. Available locations can be viewed using the following command:

```
salt-cloud --list-locations my-azure-config
```

ssh_username

The user to use to log into the newly-created VM to install Salt.

ssh password

The password to use to log into the newly-created VM to install Salt.

slot

The environment to which the hosted service is deployed. Valid values are *staging* or *production*. When set to *production*, the resulting URL of the new VM will be *<vm_name>.cloudapp.net*. When set to *staging*, the resulting URL will contain a generated hash instead.

media link

This is the URL of the container that will store the disk that this VM uses. Currently, this container must already exist. If a VM has previously been created in the associated account, a container should already exist. In the web interface, go into the Storage area and click one of the available storage selections. Click the Containers link, and then copy the URL from the container that will be used. It generally looks like:

http://portalvhdabcdefghijklmn.blob.core.windows.net/vhds

Show Instance

This action is a thin wrapper around --full-query, which displays details on a single instance only. In an environment with several machines, this will save a user from having to sort through all instance data, just to examine a single instance.

salt-cloud -a show_instance myinstance

14.1.3 Getting Started With Digital Ocean

Digital Ocean is a public cloud provider that specializes in Linux instances.

Dependencies

The Digital Ocean driver requires no special dependencies outside of Salt.

Configuration

Using Salt for Digital Ocean requires a client_key and an api_key. These can be found in the Digital Ocean web interface, in the "My Settings" section, under the API Access tab.

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ directory.

my-digitalocean-config:
   provider: digital_ocean
   client_key: wFGEwgregeqw3435gDger
   api_key: GDE43t43REGTrkilg43934t34qT43t4dgegerGEgg
   location: New York 1
```

Profiles

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles or in the /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/ directory:

```
digitalocean-ubuntu:
   provider: my-digitalocean-config
   image: Ubuntu 12.10 x64
   size: 512MB
   location: New York 1
```

```
private_networking: True
    backups_enabled: True
Sizes can be obtained using the --list-sizes option for the salt-cloud command:
# salt-cloud --list-sizes my-digitalocean-config
my-digitalocean-config:
    digital_ocean:
        512MB:
            _____
            cost_per_hour:
                0.00744
            cost_per_month:
                5.0
            cpu:
                1
            disk:
            id:
                 66
            memory:
                512
            name:
                512MB
            slug:
                None
...SNIP...
Images can be obtained using the --list-images option for the salt-cloud command:
# salt-cloud --list-images my-digitalocean-config
my-digitalocean-config:
    _____
    digital_ocean:
        Arch Linux 2013.05 x64:
            distribution:
                Arch Linux
            id:
                350424
            name:
                Arch Linux 2013.05 x64
            public:
                True
            slug:
```

Note: DigitalOcean's concept of Applications is nothing more than a pre-configured instance (same as a normal Droplet). You will find examples such Docker 0.7 Ubuntu 13.04 x64 and Wordpress on Ubuntu 12.10 when using the --list-images option. These names can be used just like the rest of the standard instances when specifying an image in the cloud profile configuration.

Note: Additional documentation is available from Digital Ocean.

None

...SNIP...

14.1.4 Getting Started With AWS EC2

Amazon EC2 is a very widely used public cloud platform and one of the core platforms Salt Cloud has been built to support.

Previously, the suggested provider for AWS EC2 was the aws provider. This has been deprecated in favor of the ec2 provider. Configuration using the old aws provider will still function, but that driver is no longer in active development.

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ directory.
my-ec2-southeast-public-ips:
 # Set up the location of the salt master
 minion:
   master: saltmaster.example.com
  # Set up grains information, which will be common for all nodes
  # using this provider
 grains:
   node_type: broker
   release: 1.0.1
  # Specify whether to use public or private IP for deploy script.
  # Valid options are:
       private_ips - The salt-master is also hosted with EC2
       public_ips - The salt-master is hosted outside of EC2
 ssh_interface: public_ips
  # Set the EC2 access credentials (see below)
 id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
 key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
  # Make sure this key is owned by root with permissions 0400.
 private_key: /etc/salt/my_test_key.pem
 keyname: my_test_key
 securitygroup: default
  # Optionally configure default region
 location: ap-southeast-1
 availability_zone: ap-southeast-1b
  # Configure which user to use to run the deploy script. This setting is
  # dependent upon the AMI that is used to deploy. It is usually safer to
  # configure this individually in a profile, than globally. Typical users
  # are:
  # Amazon Linux -> ec2-user
  # RHEL
               -> ec2-user
               -> ec2-user
  # CentOS
                -> ubuntu
  # Ubuntu
 ssh_username: ec2-user
```

```
# Optionally add an IAM profile
 iam_profile: 'arn:aws:iam::123456789012:instance-profile/ExampleInstanceProfile'
 provider: ec2
my-ec2-southeast-private-ips:
 # Set up the location of the salt master
 #
 minion:
   master: saltmaster.example.com
  # Specify whether to use public or private IP for deploy script.
  # Valid options are:
       private_ips - The salt-master is also hosted with EC2
       public_ips - The salt-master is hosted outside of EC2
 ssh_interface: private_ips
  # Set the EC2 access credentials (see below)
 id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
 key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
  # Make sure this key is owned by root with permissions 0400.
 private_key: /etc/salt/my_test_key.pem
 keyname: my_test_key
 securitygroup: default
  # Optionally configure default region
 location: ap-southeast-1
 availability_zone: ap-southeast-1b
  # Configure which user to use to run the deploy script. This setting is
  # dependent upon the AMI that is used to deploy. It is usually safer to
  # configure this individually in a profile, than globally. Typical users
  # are:
  # Amazon Linux -> ec2-user
  # RHEL
            -> ec2-user
  # CentOS
                -> ec2-user
  # Ubuntu
                -> ubuntu
 ssh username: ec2-user
  # Optionally add an IAM profile
 iam_profile: 'my other profile name'
 provider: ec2
```

Access Credentials

The id and key settings may be found in the Security Credentials area of the AWS Account page:

https://portal.aws.amazon.com/gp/aws/securityCredentials

Both are located in the Access Credentials area of the page, under the Access Keys tab. The id setting is labeled Access Key ID, and the key setting is labeled Secret Access Key.

Key Pairs

In order to create an instance with Salt installed and configured, a key pair will need to be created. This can be done in the EC2 Management Console, in the Key Pairs area. These key pairs are unique to a specific region. Keys in the us-east-1 region can be configured at:

https://console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-east-1#s=KeyPairs

Keys in the us-west-1 region can be configured at

https://console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-west-1#s=KeyPairs

...and so on. When creating a key pair, the browser will prompt to download a pem file. This file must be placed in a directory accessible by Salt Cloud, with permissions set to either 0400 or 0600.

Security Groups

An instance on EC2 needs to belong to a security group. Like key pairs, these are unique to a specific region. These are also configured in the EC2 Management Console. Security groups for the us-east-1 region can be configured at:

https://console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/home?region=us-east-1#s=SecurityGroups

...and so on.

A security group defines firewall rules which an instance will adhere to. If the salt-master is configured outside of EC2, the security group must open the SSH port (usually port 22) in order for Salt Cloud to install Salt.

IAM Profile

Amazon EC2 instances support the concept of an instance profile, which is a logical container for the IAM role. At the time that you launch an EC2 instance, you can associate the instance with an instance profile, which in turn corresponds to the IAM role. Any software that runs on the EC2 instance is able to access AWS using the permissions associated with the IAM role.

Scaffolding the profile is a 2-step configuration process:

- 1. Configure an IAM Role from the IAM Management Console.
- 2. Attach this role to a new profile. It can be done with the AWS CLI:

```
> aws iam create-instance-profile --instance-profile-name PROFILE_NAME
```

> aws iam add-role-to-instance-profile --instance-profile-name PROFILE_NAME --role-name ROLE

Once the profile is created, you can use the **PROFILE_NAME** to configure your cloud profiles.

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles:

```
base_ec2_private:
 provider: my-ec2-southeast-private-ips
 image: ami-e565ba8c
 size: Micro Instance
 ssh_username: ec2-user
base_ec2_public:
 provider: my-ec2-southeast-public-ips
 image: ami-e565ba8c
 size: Micro Instance
 ssh_username: ec2-user
base_ec2_db:
 provider: my-ec2-southeast-public-ips
 image: ami-e565ba8c
 size: m1.xlarge
 ssh_username: ec2-user
 volumes:
    - { size: 10, device: /dev/sdf }
    - { size: 10, device: /dev/sdg, type: io1, iops: 1000 }
    - { size: 10, device: /dev/sdh, type: io1, iops: 1000 }
  # optionally add tags to profile:
 tag: {'Environment': 'production', 'Role': 'database'}
  # force grains to sync after install
 sync_after_install: grains
base_ec2_vpc:
 provider: my-ec2-southeast-public-ips
 image: ami-a73264ce
 size: ml.xlarge
 ssh_username: ec2-user
 script: /etc/salt/cloud.deploy.d/user_data.sh
 network_interfaces:
    - DeviceIndex: 0
     PrivateIpAddresses:
        - Primary: True
      #auto assign public ip (not EIP)
      AssociatePublicIpAddress: True
      SubnetId: subnet-813d4bbf
      SecurityGroupId:
       - sq-750af413
 volumes:
    - { size: 10, device: /dev/sdf }
    - { size: 10, device: /dev/sdg, type: io1, iops: 1000 }
    - { size: 10, device: /dev/sdh, type: io1, iops: 1000 }
 del_root_vol_on_destroy: True
 del_all_vol_on_destroy: True
 tag: {'Environment': 'production', 'Role': 'database'}
  sync_after_install: grains
```

The profile can now be realized with a salt command:

```
# salt-cloud -p base_ec2 ami.example.com
# salt-cloud -p base_ec2_public ami.example.com
# salt-cloud -p base_ec2_private ami.example.com
```

This will create an instance named ami.example.com in EC2. The minion that is installed on this instance will have an id of ami.example.com. If the command was executed on the salt-master, its Salt key will automatically be signed on the master.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
# salt 'ami.example.com' test.ping
```

Required Settings

The following settings are always required for EC2:

```
# Set the EC2 login data
my-ec2-config:
   id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
   key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
   keyname: test
   securitygroup: quick-start
   private_key: /root/test.pem
   provider: ec2
```

Optional Settings

EC2 allows a location to be set for servers to be deployed in. Availability zones exist inside regions, and may be added to increase specificity.

```
my-ec2-config:
    # Optionally configure default region
location: ap-southeast-1
availability_zone: ap-southeast-1b
```

EC2 instances can have a public or private IP, or both. When an instance is deployed, Salt Cloud needs to log into it via SSH to run the deploy script. By default, the public IP will be used for this. If the salt-cloud command is run from another EC2 instance, the private IP should be used.

```
my-ec2-config:
    # Specify whether to use public or private IP for deploy script
    # private_ips or public_ips
    ssh_interface: public_ips
```

Many EC2 instances do not allow remote access to the root user by default. Instead, another user must be used to run the deploy script using sudo. Some common usernames include ec2-user (for Amazon Linux), ubuntu (for Ubuntu instances), admin (official Debian) and bitnami (for images provided by Bitnami).

```
my-ec2-config:
    # Configure which user to use to run the deploy script
    ssh_username: ec2-user
```

Multiple usernames can be provided, in which case Salt Cloud will attempt to guess the correct username. This is mostly useful in the main configuration file:

Multiple security groups can also be specified in the same fashion:

```
my-ec2-config:
    securitygroup:
    - default
    - extra
```

Your instances may optionally make use of EC2 Spot Instances. The following example will request that spot instances be used and your maximum bid will be \$0.10. Keep in mind that different spot prices may be needed based on the current value of the various EC2 instance sizes. You can check current and past spot instance pricing via the EC2 API or AWS Console.

```
my-ec2-config:
   spot_config:
   spot_price: 0.10
```

By default, the spot instance type is set to 'one-time', meaning it will be launched and, if it's ever terminated for whatever reason, it will not be recreated. If you would like your spot instances to be relaunched after a termination (by your or AWS), set the type to 'persistent'.

NOTE: Spot instances are a great way to save a bit of money, but you do run the risk of losing your spot instances if the current price for the instance size goes above your maximum bid.

The following parameters may be set in the cloud configuration file to control various aspects of the spot instance launching:

- wait_for_spot_timeout: seconds to wait before giving up on spot instance launch (default=600)
- wait_for_spot_interval: seconds to wait in between polling requests to determine if a spot instance is available (default=30)
- wait_for_spot_interval_multiplier: a multiplier to add to the interval in between requests, which is useful if AWS is throttling your requests (default=1)
- wait_for_spot_max_failures: maximum number of failures before giving up on launching your spot instance (default=10)

If you find that you're being throttled by AWS while polling for spot instances, you can set the following in your core cloud configuration file that will double the polling interval after each request to AWS.

```
wait_for_spot_interval: 1
wait_for_spot_interval_multiplier: 2
```

See the AWS Spot Instances documentation for more information.

Block device mappings enable you to specify additional EBS volumes or instance store volumes when the instance is launched. This setting is also available on each cloud profile. Note that the number of instance stores varies by instance type. If more mappings are provided than are supported by the instance type, mappings will be created in the order provided and additional mappings will be ignored. Consult the AWS documentation for a listing of the available instance stores, device names, and mount points.

```
my-ec2-config:
  block_device_mappings:
    - DeviceName: /dev/sdb
     VirtualName: ephemeral0
    - DeviceName: /dev/sdc
     VirtualName: ephemeral1
```

You can also use block device mappings to change the size of the root device at the provisioning time. For example, assuming the root device is '/dev/sda', you can set its size to 100G by using the following configuration.

```
my-ec2-config:
  block_device_mappings:
```

```
- DeviceName: /dev/sda
Ebs.VolumeSize: 100
```

Existing EBS volumes may also be attached (not created) to your instances or you can create new EBS volumes based on EBS snapshots. To simply attach an existing volume use the volume_id parameter.

```
device: /dev/xvdj
mount_point: /mnt/my_ebs
volume_id: vol-12345abcd
```

Or, to create a volume from an EBS snapshot, use the snapshot parameter.

```
device: /dev/xvdj
mount_point: /mnt/my_ebs
snapshot: snap-abcd12345
```

Note that volume_id will take precedence over the snapshot parameter.

Tags can be set once an instance has been launched.

```
my-ec2-config:
    tag:
        tag0: value
        tag2: value
```

Modify EC2 Tags

One of the features of EC2 is the ability to tag resources. In fact, under the hood, the names given to EC2 instances by salt-cloud are actually just stored as a tag called Name. Salt Cloud has the ability to manage these tags:

```
salt-cloud -a get_tags mymachine
salt-cloud -a set_tags mymachine tag1=somestuff tag2='Other stuff'
salt-cloud -a del_tags mymachine tag1,tag2,tag3
```

Rename EC2 Instances

As mentioned above, EC2 instances are named via a tag. However, renaming an instance by renaming its tag will cause the salt keys to mismatch. A rename function exists which renames both the instance, and the salt keys.

```
salt-cloud -a rename mymachine newname=yourmachine
```

EC2 Termination Protection

EC2 allows the user to enable and disable termination protection on a specific instance. An instance with this protection enabled cannot be destroyed.

```
salt-cloud -a enable_term_protect mymachine
salt-cloud -a disable_term_protect mymachine
```

Rename on Destroy

When instances on EC2 are destroyed, there will be a lag between the time that the action is sent, and the time that Amazon cleans up the instance. During this time, the instance still retails a Name tag, which will cause a collision if the

creation of an instance with the same name is attempted before the cleanup occurs. In order to avoid such collisions, Salt Cloud can be configured to rename instances when they are destroyed. The new name will look something like:

```
myinstance-DEL20f5b8ad4eb64ed88f2c428df80a1a0c
```

In order to enable this, add rename_on_destroy line to the main configuration file:

```
my-ec2-config:
    rename_on_destroy: True
```

Listing Images

Normally, images can be queried on a cloud provider by passing the --list-images argument to Salt Cloud. This still holds true for EC2:

```
salt-cloud --list-images my-ec2-config
```

However, the full list of images on EC2 is extremely large, and querying all of the available images may cause Salt Cloud to behave as if frozen. Therefore, the default behavior of this option may be modified, by adding an owner argument to the provider configuration:

```
owner: aws-marketplace
```

The possible values for this setting are amazon, aws-marketplace, self, <AWS account ID> or all. The default setting is amazon. Take note that all and aws-marketplace may cause Salt Cloud to appear as if it is freezing, as it tries to handle the large amount of data.

It is also possible to perform this query using different settings without modifying the configuration files. To do this, call the avail_images function directly:

```
salt-cloud -f avail_images my-ec2-config owner=aws-marketplace
```

EC2 Images

The following are lists of available AMI images, generally sorted by OS. These lists are on 3rd-party websites, are not managed by Salt Stack in any way. They are provided here as a reference for those who are interested, and contain no warranty (express or implied) from anyone affiliated with Salt Stack. Most of them have never been used, much less tested, by the Salt Stack team.

- Arch Linux
- FreeBSD
- Fedora
- CentOS
- Ubuntu
- Debian
- OmniOS
- All Images on Amazon

show image

This is a function that describes an AMI on EC2. This will give insight as to the defaults that will be applied to an instance using a particular AMI.

```
$ salt-cloud -f show_image ec2 image=ami-fd20ad94
```

show_instance

This action is a thin wrapper around --full-query, which displays details on a single instance only. In an environment with several machines, this will save a user from having to sort through all instance data, just to examine a single instance.

```
$ salt-cloud -a show_instance myinstance
```

ebs_optimized

This argument enables switching of the EbsOptimized setting which default to 'false'. Indicates whether the instance is optimized for EBS I/O. This optimization provides dedicated throughput to Amazon EBS and an optimized configuration stack to provide optimal Amazon EBS I/O performance. This optimization isn't available with all instance types. Additional usage charges apply when using an EBS-optimized instance.

This setting can be added to the profile or map file for an instance.

If set to True, this setting will enable an instance to be EbsOptimized

```
ebs_optimized: True
```

This can also be set as a cloud provider setting in the EC2 cloud configuration:

```
my-ec2-config:
   ebs_optimized: True
```

del root vol on destroy

This argument overrides the default DeleteOnTermination setting in the AMI for the EBS root volumes for an instance. Many AMIs contain 'false' as a default, resulting in orphaned volumes in the EC2 account, which may unknowingly be charged to the account. This setting can be added to the profile or map file for an instance.

If set, this setting will apply to the root EBS volume

```
del_root_vol_on_destroy: True
```

This can also be set as a cloud provider setting in the EC2 cloud configuration:

```
my-ec2-config:
   del_root_vol_on_destroy: True
```

del_all_vols_on_destroy

This argument overrides the default DeleteOnTermination setting in the AMI for the not-root EBS volumes for an instance. Many AMIs contain 'false' as a default, resulting in orphaned volumes in the EC2 account, which may unknowingly be charged to the account. This setting can be added to the profile or map file for an instance.

If set, this setting will apply to any (non-root) volumes that were created by salt-cloud using the 'volumes' setting.

The volumes will not be deleted under the following conditions * If a volume is detached before terminating the instance * If a volume is created without this setting and attached to the instance

```
del_all_vols_on_destroy: True
```

This can also be set as a cloud provider setting in the EC2 cloud configuration:

```
my-ec2-config:
   del_all_vols_on_destroy: True
```

The setting for this may be changed on all volumes of an existing instance using one of the following commands:

```
salt-cloud -a delvol_on_destroy myinstance
salt-cloud -a keepvol_on_destroy myinstance
salt-cloud -a show_delvol_on_destroy myinstance
```

The setting for this may be changed on a volume on an existing instance using one of the following commands:

```
salt-cloud -a delvol_on_destroy myinstance device=/dev/sda1
salt-cloud -a delvol_on_destroy myinstance volume_id=vol-1a2b3c4d
salt-cloud -a keepvol_on_destroy myinstance device=/dev/sda1
salt-cloud -a keepvol_on_destroy myinstance volume_id=vol-1a2b3c4d
salt-cloud -a show_delvol_on_destroy myinstance device=/dev/sda1
salt-cloud -a show_delvol_on_destroy myinstance volume_id=vol-1a2b3c4d
```

EC2 Termination Protection

EC2 allows the user to enable and disable termination protection on a specific instance. An instance with this protection enabled cannot be destroyed. The EC2 driver adds a show_term_protect action to the regular EC2 functionality.

```
salt-cloud -a show_term_protect mymachine
salt-cloud -a enable_term_protect mymachine
salt-cloud -a disable_term_protect mymachine
```

Alternate Endpoint

Normally, EC2 endpoints are build using the region and the service_url. The resulting endpoint would follow this pattern:

```
ec2.<region>.<service_url>
```

This results in an endpoint that looks like:

```
ec2.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
```

There are other projects that support an EC2 compatibility layer, which this scheme does not account for. This can be overridden by specifying the endpoint directly in the main cloud configuration file:

```
my-ec2-config:
  endpoint: myendpoint.example.com:1138/services/Cloud
```

Volume Management

The EC2 driver has several functions and actions for management of EBS volumes.

Creating Volumes

A volume may be created, independent of an instance. A zone must be specified. A size or a snapshot may be specified (in GiB). If neither is given, a default size of 10 GiB will be used. If a snapshot is given, the size of the snapshot will be used.

```
salt-cloud -f create_volume ec2 zone=us-east-1b
salt-cloud -f create_volume ec2 zone=us-east-1b size=10
salt-cloud -f create_volume ec2 zone=us-east-1b snapshot=snap12345678
salt-cloud -f create_volume ec2 size=10 type=standard
salt-cloud -f create_volume ec2 size=10 type=io1 iops=1000
```

Attaching Volumes

Unattached volumes may be attached to an instance. The following values are required; name or instance_id, volume_id and device.

```
salt-cloud -a attach_volume myinstance volume_id=vol-12345 device=/dev/sdb1
```

Show a Volume

The details about an existing volume may be retrieved.

```
salt-cloud -a show_volume myinstance volume_id=vol-12345
salt-cloud -f show_volume ec2 volume_id=vol-12345
```

Detaching Volumes

An existing volume may be detached from an instance.

```
salt-cloud -a detach_volume myinstance volume_id=vol-12345
```

Deleting Volumes

A volume that is not attached to an instance may be deleted.

```
salt-cloud -f delete_volume ec2 volume_id=vol-12345
```

Managing Key Pairs

The EC2 driver has the ability to manage key pairs.

Creating a Key Pair

A key pair is required in order to create an instance. When creating a key pair with this function, the return data will contain a copy of the private key. This private key is not stored by Amazon, will not be obtainable past this point, and should be stored immediately.

```
salt-cloud -f create_keypair ec2 keyname=mykeypair
```

Show a Key Pair

This function will show the details related to a key pair, not including the private key itself (which is not stored by Amazon).

```
salt-cloud -f show_keypair ec2 keyname=mykeypair
```

Delete a Key Pair

This function removes the key pair from Amazon.

```
salt-cloud -f delete_keypair ec2 keyname=mykeypair
```

14.1.5 Getting Started With GoGrid

GoGrid is a public cloud provider supporting Linux and Windows.

Dependencies

The GoGrid driver for Salt Cloud requires Libcloud 0.13.2 or higher to be installed.

Configuration

To use Salt Cloud with GoGrid log into the GoGrid web interface and create an API key. Do this by clicking on "My Account" and then going to the API Keys tab.

The apikey and the sharedsecret configuration parameters need to be set in the configuration file to enable interfacing with GoGrid:

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ directory.

my-gogrid-config:
   provider: gogrid
   apikey: asdff7896asdh789
   sharedsecret: saltybacon
```

Profiles

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles or in the /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/ directory:

```
gogrid_512:
   provider: my-gogrid-config
   size: 512MB
   image: CentOS 6.2 (64-bit) w/ None
```

Sizes can be obtained using the --list-sizes option for the salt-cloud command:

```
# salt-cloud --list-sizes my-gogrid-config
my-gogrid-config:
    gogrid:
        512MB:
            bandwidth:
                None
            disk:
                30
            driver:
            get_uuid:
                512MB
            name:
                512MB
            price:
                0.095
            ram:
                512
            uuid:
                bde1e4d7c3a643536e42a35142c7caac34b060e9
...SNIP...
Images can be obtained using the --list-images option for the salt-cloud command:
# salt-cloud --list-images my-gogrid-config
my-gogrid-config:
   gogrid:
        CentOS 6.4 (64-bit) w/ None:
            driver:
            extra:
                _____
            get_uuid:
            id:
                18094
            name:
                CentOS 6.4 (64-bit) w/ None
            uuid:
               bfd4055389919e01aa6261828a96cf54c8dcc2c4
```

14.1.6 Getting Started With Google Compute Engine

Google Compute Engine (GCE) is Google-infrastructure as a service that lets you run your large-scale computing workloads on virtual machines. This document covers how to use Salt Cloud to provision and manage your virtual machines hosted within Google's infrastructure.

You can find out more about GCE and other Google Cloud Platform services at https://cloud.google.com.

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Dependencies

- Libcloud >= 0.14.0-beta3
- PyCrypto >= 2.1.
- A Google Cloud Platform account with Compute Engine enabled
- A registered Service Account for authorization
- · Oh, and obviously you'll need salt

Google Compute Engine Setup

1. Sign up for Google Cloud Platform

Go to https://cloud.google.com and use your Google account to sign up for Google Cloud Platform and complete the guided instructions.

2. Create a Project

Next, go to the console at https://cloud.google.com/console and create a new Project. Make sure to select your new Project if you are not automatically directed to the Project.

Projects are a way of grouping together related users, services, and billing. You may opt to create multiple Projects and the remaining instructions will need to be completed for each Project if you wish to use GCE and Salt Cloud to manage your virtual machines.

3. Enable the Google Compute Engine service

In your Project, either just click *Compute Engine* to the left, or go to the *APIs & auth* section and *APIs* link and enable the Google Compute Engine service.

4. Create a Service Account

To set up authorization, navigate to *APIs & auth* section and then the *Credentials* link and click the *CRE-ATE NEW CLIENT ID* button. Select *Service Account* and click the *Create Client ID* button. This will prompt you to save a private key file. Look for a new *Service Account* section in the page and record the generated email address for the matching key/fingerprint. The email address will be used in the service_account_email_address of your /etc/salt/cloud file.

5. Key Format

You will need to convert the private key to a format compatible with libcloud. The original Google-generated private key was encrypted using *notasecret* as a passphrase. Use the following command and record the location of the converted private key and record the location for use in the service_account_private_key of your /etc/salt/cloud file:

```
openssl pkcs12 -in ORIG.pkey -passin pass:notasecret \
-nodes -nocerts | openssl rsa -out NEW.pem
```

Configuration

Set up the cloud config at /etc/salt/cloud:

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud
providers:
   gce-config:
    # Set up the Project name and Service Account authorization
```

```
#
project: "your_project_name"
service_account_email_address: "123-a5gt@developer.gserviceaccount.com"
service_account_private_key: "/path/to/your/NEW.pem"

# Set up the location of the salt master
#
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com

# Set up grains information, which will be common for all nodes
# using this provider
grains:
    node_type: broker
    release: 1.0.1

provider: gce
```

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles:

```
all_settings:
   image: centos-6
   size: n1-standard-1
   location: europe-west1-b
   network: default
   tags: '["one", "two", "three"]'
   metadata: '{"one": "1", "2": "two"}'
   use_persistent_disk: True
   delete_boot_pd: False
   deploy: True
   make_master: False
   provider: gce-config
```

The profile can be realized now with a salt command:

```
salt-cloud -p all_settings gce-instance
```

This will create an salt minion instance named gce-instance in GCE. If the command was executed on the salt-master, its Salt key will automatically be signed on the master.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
salt 'ami.example.com' test.ping
```

GCE Specific Settings

Consult the sample profile below for more information about GCE specific settings. Some of them are mandatory and are properly labeled below but typically also include a hard-coded default.

```
all_settings:
    # Image is used to define what Operating System image should be used
    # to for the instance. Examples are Debian 7 (wheezy) and CentOS 6.
    #
# MANDATORY
```

```
image: centos-6
# A 'size', in GCE terms, refers to the instance's 'machine type'. See
# the on-line documentation for a complete list of GCE machine types.
# MANDATORY
size: n1-standard-1
# A 'location', in GCE terms, refers to the instance's 'zone'. GCE
# has the notion of both Regions (e.g. us-central1, europe-west1, etc)
# and Zones (e.g. us-central1-a, us-central1-b, etc).
# MANDATORY
location: europe-west1-b
# Use this setting to define the network resource for the instance.
# All GCE projects contain a network named 'default' but it's possible
# to use this setting to create instances belonging to a different
# network resource.
network: default
# GCE supports instance/network tags and this setting allows you to
# set custom tags. It should be a list of strings and must be
# parse-able by the python ast.literal_eval() function to convert it
# to a python list.
tags: '["one", "two", "three"]'
# GCE supports instance metadata and this setting allows you to
# set custom metadata. It should be a hash of key/value strings and
# parse-able by the python ast.literal_eval() function to convert it
# to a python dictionary.
metadata: '{"one": "1", "2": "two"}'
# Use this setting to ensure that when new instances are created,
# they will use a persistent disk to preserve data between instance
# terminations and re-creations.
use_persistent_disk: True
# In the event that you wish the boot persistent disk to be permanently
# deleted when you destroy an instance, set delete_boot_pd to True.
delete_boot_pd: False
```

GCE instances do not allow remote access to the root user by default. Instead, another user must be used to run the deploy script using sudo.

```
my-gce-config:
    # Configure which user to use to run the deploy script
    ssh_username: user
    ssh_keyfile: /home/user/.ssh/google_compute_engine
```

Single instance details

This action is a thin wrapper around --full-query, which displays details on a single instance only. In an environment with several machines, this will save a user from having to sort through all instance data, just to examine a single instance.

```
salt-cloud -a show_instance myinstance
```

Destroy, persistent disks, and metadata

As noted in the provider configuration, it's possible to force the boot persistent disk to be deleted when you destroy the instance. The way that this has been implemented is to use the instance metadata to record the cloud profile used when creating the instance. When destroy is called, if the instance contains a salt-cloud-profile key, it's value is used to reference the matching profile to determine if delete_boot_pd is set to True.

Be aware that any GCE instances created with salt cloud will contain this custom salt-cloud-profile metadata entry.

List various resources

It's also possible to list several GCE resources similar to what can be done with other providers. The following commands can be used to list GCE zones (locations), machine types (sizes), and images.

```
salt-cloud --list-locations gce
salt-cloud --list-sizes gce
salt-cloud --list-images gce
```

Persistent Disk

The Compute Engine provider provides functions via salt-cloud to manage your Persistent Disks. You can create and destroy disks as well as attach and detach them from running instances.

Create

When creating a disk, you can create an empty disk and specify its size (in GB), or specify either an 'image' or 'snapshot'.

```
salt-cloud -f create_disk gce disk_name=pd location=us-central1-b size=200
```

Delete

Deleting a disk only requires the name of the disk to delete

```
salt-cloud -f delete_disk gce disk_name=old-backup
```

Attach

Attaching a disk to an existing instance is really an 'action' and requires both an instance name and disk name. It's possible to use this ation to create bootable persistent disks if necessary. Compute Engine also supports attaching a persistent disk in READ_ONLY mode to multiple instances at the same time (but then cannot be attached in READ_WRITE to any instance).

salt-cloud -a attach_disk myinstance disk_name=pd mode=READ_WRITE boot=yes

Detach

Detaching a disk is also an action against an instance and only requires the name of the disk. Note that this does *not* safely sync and umount the disk from the instance. To ensure no data loss, you must first make sure the disk is unmounted from the instance.

```
salt-cloud -a detach_disk myinstance disk_name=pd
```

Show disk

It's also possible to look up the details for an existing disk with either a function or an action.

```
salt-cloud -a show_disk myinstance disk_name=pd
salt-cloud -f show_disk gce disk_name=pd
```

Create snapshot

You can take a snapshot of an existing disk's content. The snapshot can then in turn be used to create other persistend disks. Note that to prevent data corruption, it is strongly suggested that you unmount the disk prior to taking a snapshot. You must name the snapshot and provide the name of the disk.

```
salt-cloud -f create_snapshot gce name=backup-20140226 disk_name=pd
```

Delete snapshot

You can delete a snapshot when it's no longer needed by specifying the name of the snapshot.

```
salt-cloud -f delete_snapshot gce name=backup-20140226
```

Show snapshot

Use this function to look up information about the snapshot.

```
salt-cloud -f show_snapshot gce name=backup-20140226
```

Networking

Compute Engine supports multiple private networks per project. Instances within a private network can easily communicate with each other by an internal DNS service that resolves instance names. Instances within a private network can also communicate with either directly without needing special routing or firewall rules even if they span different regions/zones.

Networks also support custom firewall rules. By default, traffic between instances on the same private network is open to all ports and protocols. Inbound SSH traffic (port 22) is also allowed but all other inbound traffic is blocked.

Create network

New networks require a name and CIDR range. New instances can be created and added to this network by setting the network name during create. It is not possible to add/remove existing instances to a network.

```
salt-cloud -f create_network gce name=mynet cidr=10.10.10.0/24
```

Destroy network

Destroy a network by specifying the name. Make sure that there are no instances associated with the network prior to deleting it or you'll have a bad day.

```
salt-cloud -f delete_network gce name=mynet
```

Show network

Specify the network name to view information about the network.

```
salt-cloud -f show_network gce name=mynet
```

Create firewall

You'll need to create custom firewall rules if you want to allow other traffic than what is described above. For instance, if you run a web service on your instances, you'll need to explicitly allow HTTP and/or SSL traffic. The firewall rule must have a name and it will use the 'default' network unless otherwise specified with a 'network' attribute. Firewalls also support instance tags for source/destination

```
salt-cloud -f create_fwrule gce name=web allow=tcp:80,tcp:443,icmp
```

Delete firewall

Deleting a firewall rule will prevent any previously allowed traffic for the named firewall rule.

```
salt-cloud -f delete_fwrule gce name=web
```

Show firewall

Use this function to review an existing firewall rule's information.

```
salt-cloud -f show_fwrule gce name=web
```

Load Balancer

Compute Engine possess a load-balancer feature for splitting traffic across multiple instances. Please reference the documentation for a more complete discription.

The load-balancer functionality is slightly different than that described in Google's documentation. The concept of *TargetPool* and *ForwardingRule* are consolidated in salt-cloud/libcloud. HTTP Health Checks are optional.

HTTP Health Check

HTTP Health Checks can be used as a means to toggle load-balancing across instance members, or to detect if an HTTP site is functioning. A common use-case is to set up a health check URL and if you want to toggle traffic on/off to an instance, you can temporarily have it return a non-200 response. A non-200 response to the load-balancer's health check will keep the LB from sending any new traffic to the "down" instance. Once the instance's health check URL beings returning 200-responses, the LB will again start to send traffic to it. Review Compute Engine's documentation for allowable parameters. You can use the following salt-cloud functions to manage your HTTP health checks.

```
salt-cloud -f create_hc gce name=myhc path=/ port=80
salt-cloud -f delete_hc gce name=myhc
salt-cloud -f show_hc gce name=myhc
```

Load-balancer

When creating a new load-balancer, it requires a name, region, port range, and list of members. There are other optional parameters for protocol, and list of healtch checks. Deleting or showing details about the LB only requires the name.

```
salt-cloud -f create_lb gce name=lb region=... ports=80 members=w1,w2,w3
salt-cloud -f delete_lb gce name=lb
salt-cloud -f show_lb gce name=lb
```

Attach and Detach LB

It is possible to attach or detach an instance from an existing load-balancer. Both the instance and load-balancer must exist before using these functions.

```
salt-cloud -f attach_lb gce name=lb member=w4
salt-cloud -f detach_lb gce name=lb member=oops
```

14.1.7 Getting Started With Joyent

Joyent is a public cloud provider supporting SmartOS, Linux, FreeBSD and Windows.

Dependencies

The Joyent driver for Salt Cloud requires Libcloud 0.13.2 or higher to be installed.

Configuration

The Joyent cloud requires three configuration parameters. The user name and password that are used to log into the Joyent system, and the location of the private ssh key associated with the Joyent account. The ssh key is needed to send the provisioning commands up to the freshly created virtual machine.

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ directory.

my-joyent-config:
    provider: joyent
    user: fred
```

```
password: saltybacon
private_key: /root/joyent.pem
```

Profiles

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles or in the /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/ directory:

```
joyent_512
  provider: my-joyent-config
  size: Extra Small 512 MB
  image: Arch Linux 2013.06
```

Sizes can be obtained using the --list-sizes option for the salt-cloud command:

```
# salt-cloud --list-sizes my-joyent-config
my-joyent-config:
    joyent:
        Extra Small 512 MB:
            default:
                false
            disk:
                15360
                Extra Small 512 MB
            memory:
                512
            name:
                Extra Small 512 MB
            swap:
               1024
            vcpus:
                1
...SNIP...
```

Images can be obtained using the --list-images option for the salt-cloud command:

14.1.8 Getting Started With LXC

The LXC module is designed to install Salt in an LXC container on a controlled and possibly remote minion.

In other words, Salt will connect to a minion, then from that minion:

- Provision and configure a container for networking access
- · Use saltify to deploy salt and re-attach to master

Limitation

- You can only act on one minion and one provider at a time.
- Listing images must be targeted to a particular driver (nothing will be outputted with all)

Operation

This does not use lxc.init to provide a more generic fashion to tie minions to their master (if any and defined) to allow custom association code.

Order of operation:

- Spin up the LXC template container using the LXC execution module on the desired minion (clone or template)
- Change LXC config option (if any need to be changed)
- · Start container
- Change base passwords if any
- Change base DNS base configuration if neccessary
- Wait for LXC container to be up and ready for ssh
- Test SSH connection and bailout in error
- Via SSH (with the help of saltify, upload deploy script and seeds and re-attach minion.

Provider configuration

Here is a simple configuration example:

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ directory.
devhost10-lxc:
   target: devhost10
   provider: lxc
```

Profile configuration

Here are the options to configure your containers:

```
target
    Host minion id to install the lxc Container into
profile
   lxc pillar profile
Container creation/clone options
   Use a container using clone
       from_container
           Name of an original container using clone
        snapshot
           Do we use snapshots on cloned filesystems
    lxc template using total creation
        image
            template to use
        backing
            Backing store type (None, lvm, brtfs)
            LVM lvname if any
        fstype
            fstype
size
    Size of the containera (for brtfs, or lvm)
   LVM vgname if any
users
    sysadmin users [ubuntu] of the container
ssh_username
    sysadmin ssh_username (ubuntu) of the container
sudo
   Do we use sudo
ssh_gateway
    if the minion is not in your 'topmaster' networ, use
   that gateway to connect to the lxc container.
   This may be the public ip of the hosting minion
ssh_gateway_key
   When using gateway, additionnal parameters as in saltify
ssh_gateway_port
   When using gateway, additionnal parameters as in saltify
ssh_gateway_user
   When using gateway, additionnal parameters as in saltify
   password for root and sysadmin (ubuntu)
mac
   mac address to associate
ip
```

```
ip to link to
netmask
   netmask for ip
bridge
   bridge to use
dnsservers
   optionnal list of dns servers to use
   Will be restricted to that list if used
lxc_conf_unset
   Configuration variables to unset in lxc conf
   LXC configuration variables to set in lxc_conf
minion
   minion configuration (as usual with salt cloud)
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.profile or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.profile.d/ directory.
devhost10-lxc:
 provider: devhost10-lxc
 from_container: ubuntu
 backing: lvm
 sudo: True
 size: 3g
 ip: 10.0.3.9
 minion:
   master: 10.5.0.1
   master_port: 4506
 lxc_conf:
    - lxc.utsname: superlxc
```

Driver Support

- Container creation
- Image listing (LXC templates)
- Running container informations (IP addresses, etc.)

14.1.9 Getting Started With Linode

Linode is a public cloud provider with a focus on Linux instances.

Dependencies

The Linode driver for Salt Cloud requires Libcloud 0.13.2 or higher to be installed.

Configuration

Linode requires a single API key, but the default root password for new instances also needs to be set:

```
# Note: This example is for /etc/salt/cloud.providers or any file in the
# /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ directory.

my-linode-config:
```

```
apikey: asldkgfakl;sdfjsjaslfjaklsdjf;askldjfaaklsjdfhasldsadfghdkf password: F00barbaz provider: linode
```

The password needs to be 8 characters and contain lowercase, uppercase and numbers.

Profiles

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles or in the /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/ directory:

```
linode_1024:
 provider: my-linode-config
  size: Linode 1024
  image: Arch Linux 2013.06
Sizes can be obtained using the --list-sizes option for the salt-cloud command:
# salt-cloud --list-sizes my-linode-config
my-linode-config:
    linode:
        Linode 1024:
            bandwidth:
                 2000
            disk:
                 49152
            driver:
            get_uuid:
            id:
                 1
            name:
                Linode 1024
            price:
                 20.0
            ram:
                 1024
            uuid:
                 03e18728ce4629e2ac07c9cbb48afffb8cb499c4
...SNIP...
Images can be obtained using the --list-images option for the salt-cloud command:
# salt-cloud --list-images my-linode-config
my-linode-config:
    -----
    linode:
```

Arch Linux 2013.06:
----driver:
extra:

14.1.10 Getting Started With OpenStack

OpenStack is one the most popular cloud projects. It's an open source project to build public and/or private clouds. You can use Salt Cloud to launch OpenStack instances.

• Using the new format, set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/openstack.conf:

```
my-openstack-config:
    # Set the location of the salt-master
#
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com

# Configure the OpenStack driver
#
identity_url: http://identity.youopenstack.com/v2.0/
compute_name: nova
protocol: ipv4

compute_region: RegionOne

# Configure Openstack authentication credentials
#
user: myname
password: 123456
# tenant is the project name
tenant: myproject

provider: openstack
```

Using nova client to get information from OpenStack

One of the best ways to get information about OpenStack is using the novaclient python package (available in pypi as python-novaclient). The client configuration is a set of environment variables that you can get from the Dashboard. Log in and then go to Project -> Access & security -> API Access and download the "OpenStack RC file". Then:

```
source /path/to/your/rcfile
nova credentials
nova endpoints
```

In the nova endpoints output you can see the information about compute_region and compute_name.

Compute Region

It depends on the OpenStack cluster that you are using. Please, have a look at the previous sections.

Authentication

The user and password is the same user as is used to log into the OpenStack Dashboard.

Profiles

Here is an example of a profile:

```
openstack_512:
    provider: my-openstack-config
    size: m1.tiny
    image: cirros-0.3.1-x86_64-uec
    ssh_key_file: /tmp/test.pem
```

size can be one of the options listed in the output of nova flavor-list.

image can be one of the options listed in the output of nova image-list.

14.1.11 Getting Started With Parallels

Parallels Cloud Server is a product by Parallels that delivers a cloud hosting solution. The PARALLELS module for Salt Cloud enables you to manage instances hosted by a provider using PCS. Further information can be found at:

http://www.parallels.com/products/pcs/

• Using the old format, set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud:

```
# Set up the location of the salt master
#
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com

# Set the PARALLELS access credentials (see below)
#
PARALLELS.user: myuser
PARALLELS.password: badpass

# Set the access URL for your PARALLELS provider
#
PARALLELS.url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
```

• Using the new format, set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/parallels.conf:

```
my-parallels-config:
    # Set up the location of the salt master
    #
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com

# Set the PARALLELS access credentials (see below)
    #
user: myuser
```

```
password: badpass

# Set the access URL for your PARALLELS provider

#
url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
provider: parallels
```

Access Credentials

The user, password and url will be provided to you by your cloud provider. These are all required in order for the PARALLELS driver to work.

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles or /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/parallels.conf:

• Using the old cloud configuration format:

```
parallels-ubuntu:
    provider: parallels
    image: ubuntu-12.04-x86_64
```

• Using the new cloud configuration format and the cloud configuration example from above:

```
parallels-ubuntu:
    provider: my-parallels-config
    image: ubuntu-12.04-x86_64
```

The profile can be realized now with a salt command:

```
# salt-cloud -p parallels-ubuntu myubuntu
```

This will create an instance named myubuntu on the cloud provider. The minion that is installed on this instance will have an id of myubuntu. If the command was executed on the salt-master, its Salt key will automatically be signed on the master.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
# salt myubuntu test.ping
```

Required Settings

The following settings are always required for PARALLELS:

• Using the old cloud configuration format:

```
PARALLELS.user: myuser
PARALLELS.password: badpass
PARALLELS.url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
```

• Using the new cloud configuration format:

```
my-parallels-config:
   user: myuser
   password: badpass
   url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
   provider: parallels
```

Optional Settings

Unlike other cloud providers in Salt Cloud, Parallels does not utilize a size setting. This is because Parallels allows the end-user to specify a more detailed configuration for their instances, than is allowed by many other cloud providers. The following options are available to be used in a profile, with their default settings listed.

```
# Description of the instance. Defaults to the instance name.
desc: <instance_name>
# How many CPU cores, and how fast they are (in MHz)
cpu_number: 1
cpu_power: 1000
# How many megabytes of RAM
ram: 256
# Bandwidth available, in kbps
bandwidth: 100
# How many public IPs will be assigned to this instance
ip_num: 1
# Size of the instance disk (in GiB)
disk_size: 10
# Username and password
ssh_username: root
password: <value from PARALLELS.password>
# The name of the image, from ''salt-cloud --list-images parallels''
image: ubuntu-12.04-x86_64
```

14.1.12 Getting Started With Proxmox

Proxmox Virtual Environment is a complete server virtualization management solution, based on KVM virtualization and OpenVZ containers. Further information can be found at:

http://www.proxmox.org/

Please note: This module allows you to create both OpenVZ and KVM but installing Salt on it will only be done when the VM is an OpenVZ container rather than a KVM virtual machine.

```
• Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/proxmox.conf:

my-proxmox-config:
    # Set up the location of the salt master
    #
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com

# Set the PROXMOX access credentials (see below)
    #
user: myuser@pve
password: badpass

# Set the access URL for your PROXMOX provider
```

```
url: your.proxmox.host
provider: proxmox
```

Access Credentials

The user, password and url will be provided to you by your cloud provider. These are all required in order for the PROXMOX driver to work.

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles or /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/proxmox.conf:

• Configure a profile to be used:

```
proxmox-ubuntu:
    provider: proxmox
    image: local:vztmpl/ubuntu-12.04-standard_12.04-1_amd64.tar.gz
    technology: openvz
    host: myvmhost
    ip_address: 192.168.100.155
    password: topsecret
```

The profile can be realized now with a salt command:

```
# salt-cloud -p proxmox-ubuntu myubuntu
```

This will create an instance named myubuntu on the cloud provider. The minion that is installed on this instance will have a hostname of myubuntu. If the command was executed on the salt-master, its Salt key will automatically be signed on the master.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
# salt myubuntu test.ping
```

Required Settings

The following settings are always required for PROXMOX:

• Using the new cloud configuration format:

```
my-proxmox-config:
  provider: proxmox
  user: saltcloud@pve
  password: xyzzy
  url: your.proxmox.host
```

Optional Settings

Unlike other cloud providers in Salt Cloud, Proxmox does not utilize a size setting. This is because Proxmox allows the end-user to specify a more detailed configuration for their instances, than is allowed by many other cloud providers. The following options are available to be used in a profile, with their default settings listed.

```
# Description of the instance.
desc: <instance_name>
# How many CPU cores, and how fast they are (in MHz)
cpus: 1
cpuunits: 1000
# How many megabytes of RAM
memory: 256
# How much swap space in MB
swap: 256
# Whether to auto boot the vm after the host reboots
onboot: 1
# Size of the instance disk (in GiB)
disk: 10
# Host to create this vm on
host: myvmhost
# Nameservers. Defaults to host
nameserver: 8.8.8.8 8.8.4.4
# Username and password
ssh_username: root
password: <value from PROXMOX.password>
# The name of the image, from ''salt-cloud --list-images proxmox''
image: local:vztmpl/ubuntu-12.04-standard_12.04-1_amd64.tar.gz
```

14.1.13 Getting Started With Rackspace

Rackspace is a major public cloud platform which may be configured using either the *rackspace* or the *openstack* driver, depending on your needs.

Please note that the *rackspace* driver is only intended for 1st gen instances, aka, "the old cloud" at Rackspace. It is required for 1st gen instances, but will *not* work with OpenStack-based instances. Unless you explicitly have a reason to use it, it is highly recommended that you use the *openstack* driver instead.

To use the *openstack* driver (recommended), set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/rackspace.conf:

```
my-rackspace-config:
    # Set the location of the salt-master
#
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com

# Configure Rackspace using the OpenStack plugin
#
identity_url: 'https://identity.api.rackspacecloud.com/v2.0/tokens'
compute_name: cloudServersOpenStack
protocol: ipv4

# Set the compute region:
```

The settings that follow are for using Rackspace with the *openstack* driver, and will not work with the *rackspace* driver.

Compute Region

Rackspace currently has six compute regions which may be used:

```
DFW -> Dallas/Forth Worth
ORD -> Chicago
SYD -> Sydney
LON -> London
IAD -> Northern Virginia
HKG -> Hong Kong
```

Note: Currently the LON region is only avaiable with a UK account, and UK accounts cannot access other regions

Authentication

The user is the same user as is used to log into the Rackspace Control Panel. The tenant and apikey can be found in the API Keys area of the Control Panel. The apikey will be labeled as API Key (and may need to be generated), and tenant will be labeled as Cloud Account Number.

To instantiate a machine based on this profile:

```
# salt-cloud -p openstack_512 myinstance
```

This will create a virtual machine at Rackspace with the name myinstance. This operation may take several minutes to complete, depending on the current load at the Rackspace data center.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
# salt myinstance test.ping
```

RackConnect Environments

Rackspace offers a hybrid hosting configuration option called RackConnect that allows you to use a physical firewall appliance with your cloud servers. When this service is in use the public_ip assigned by nova will be replaced by a NAT ip on the firewall. For salt-cloud to work properly it must use the newly assigned "access ip" instead of the Nova assigned public ip. You can enable that capability by adding this to your profiles:

```
openstack_512:
    provider: my-openstack-config
    size: 512 MB Standard
    image: Ubuntu 12.04 LTS (Precise Pangolin)
    rackconnect: True
```

Managed Cloud Environments

Rackspace offers a managed service level of hosting. As part of the managed service level you have the ability to choose from base of lamp installations on cloud server images. The post build process for both the base and the lamp installations used Chef to install things such as the cloud monitoring agent and the cloud backup agent. It also takes care of installing the lamp stack if selected. In order to prevent the post installation process from stomping over the bootstrapping you can add the below to your profiles.

```
openstack_512:
    provider: my-rackspace-config
    size: 512 MB Standard
    image: Ubuntu 12.04 LTS (Precise Pangolin)
    managedcloud: True
```

First and Next Generation Images

Rackspace provides two sets of virtual machine images, *first* and *next* generation. As of 0.8.9 salt-cloud will default to using the *next* generation images. To force the use of first generation images, on the profile configuration please add:

```
FreeBSD-9.0-512:

provider: my-rackspace-config
size: 512 MB Standard
image: FreeBSD 9.0
force_first_gen: True
```

14.1.14 Getting Started With HP Cloud

HP Cloud is a major public cloud platform and uses the libcloud *openstack* driver. The current version of OpenStack that HP Cloud uses is Havana. When an instance is booted, it must have a floating IP added to it in order to connect to it and further below you will see an example that adds context to this statement.

Set up a cloud provider configuration file

To use the *openstack* driver for HP Cloud, set up the cloud provider configuration file as in the example shown below:

```
/etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/hpcloud.conf:
hpcloud-config:
  # Set the location of the salt-master
 minion:
   master: saltmaster.example.com
  # Configure HP Cloud using the OpenStack plugin
 identity_url: https://region-b.geo-1.identity.hpcloudsvc.com:35357/v2.0/tokens
 compute_name: Compute
 protocol: ipv4
  # Set the compute region:
 compute_region: region-b.geo-1
  # Configure HP Cloud authentication credentials
 user: myname
 tenant: myname-project1
 password: xxxxxxxxx
  # keys to allow connection to the instance launched
 ssh_key_name: yourkey
 ssh_key_file: /path/to/key/yourkey.priv
 provider: openstack
```

The subsequent example that follows is using the openstack driver.

Compute Region

Originally, HP Cloud, in its OpenStack Essex version (1.0), had 3 availability zones in one region, US West (regiona.geo-1), which each behaved each as a region.

This has since changed, and the current OpenStack Havana version of HP Cloud (1.1) now has simplified this and now has two regions to choose from:

```
region-a.geo-1 -> US West
region-b.geo-1 -> US East
```

Authentication

The user is the same user as is used to log into the HP Cloud management UI. The tenant can be found in the upper left under "Project/Region/Scope". It is often named the same as user albeit with a -project1 appended. The password is of course what you created your account with. The management UI also has other information such as being able to select US East or US West.

Set up a cloud profile config file

The profile shown below is a know working profile for an Ubuntu instance. The profile configuration file is stored in the following location:

```
/etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/hp_ae1_ubuntu.conf:
hp_ae1_ubuntu:
    provider: hp_ae1
    image: 9302692b-b787-4b52-a3a6-daebb79cb498
    ignore_cidr: 10.0.0.1/24
    networks:
        - floating: Ext-Net
    size: standard.small
    ssh_key_file: /root/keys/test.key
    ssh_key_name: test
    ssh_username: ubuntu
```

Some important things about the example above:

• The image parameter can use either the image name or image ID which you can obtain by running in the example below (this case US East):

```
# salt-cloud --list-images hp_ae1
```

- The parameter ignore_cidr specifies a range of addresses to ignore when trying to connect to the instance. In this case, it's the range of IP addresses used for an private IP of the instance.
- The parameter networks is very important to include. In previous versions of Salt Cloud, this is what made it possible for salt-cloud to be able to attach a floating IP to the instance in order to connect to the instance and set up the minion. The current version of salt-cloud doesn't require it, though having it is of no harm either. Newer versions of salt-cloud will use this, and without it, will attempt to find a list of floating IP addresses to use regardless.
- The ssh_key_file and ssh_key_name are the keys that will make it possible to connect to the instance to set up the minion
- The ssh_username parameter, in this case, being that the image used will be ubuntu, will make it possible to not only log in but install the minion

Launch an instance

To instantiate a machine based on this profile (example):

```
# salt-cloud -p hp_ae1_ubuntu ubuntu_instance_1
```

After several minutes, this will create an instance named ubuntu_instance_1 running in HP Cloud in the US East region and will set up the minion and then return information about the instance once completed.

Manage the instance

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
# salt ubuntu_instance_1 ping
```

SSH to the instance

Additionally, the instance can be acessed via SSH using the floating IP assigned to it

```
# ssh ubuntu@<floating ip>
```

Using a private IP

Alternatively, in the cloud profile, using the private IP to log into the instance to set up the minion is another option, paerticularly if salt-cloud is running within the cloud on an instance that is on the same network with all the other instances (minions)

The example below is a modified version of the previous example. Note the use of ssh_interface:

```
hp_ael_ubuntu:
    provider: hp_ael
    image: 9302692b-b787-4b52-a3a6-daebb79cb498
    size: standard.small
    ssh_key_file: /root/keys/test.key
    ssh_key_name: test
    ssh_username: ubuntu
    ssh_interface: private_ips
```

With this setup, salt-cloud will use the private IP address to ssh into the instance and set up the salt-minion

14.1.15 Getting Started With SoftLayer

SoftLayer is a public cloud provider, and baremetal hardware hosting provider.

Dependencies

The SoftLayer driver for Salt Cloud requires the softlayer package, which is available at PyPi:

https://pypi.python.org/pypi/SoftLayer

This package can be installed using *pip* or *easy_install*:

```
# pip install softlayer
# easy_install softlayer
```

Configuration

Set up the cloud config at /etc/salt/cloud.providers:

```
# Note: These examples are for /etc/salt/cloud.providers

my-softlayer:
    # Set up the location of the salt master
    minion:
        master: saltmaster.example.com

# Set the SoftLayer access credentials (see below)
    user: MYUSER1138
    apikey: 'e3b68aa711e6deadc62d5b76355674beef7cc3116062ddbacafe5f7e465bfdc9'
    provider: softlayer

my-softlayer-hw:
    # Set up the location of the salt master
    minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com
```

```
# Set the SoftLayer access credentials (see below)
user: MYUSER1138
apikey: 'e3b68aa711e6deadc62d5b76355674beef7cc3116062ddbacafe5f7e465bfdc9'
provider: softlayer_hw
```

Access Credentials

The *user* setting is the same user as is used to log into the SoftLayer Administration area. The *apikey* setting is found inside the Admin area after logging in:

- Hover over the Administrative menu item.
- Click the API Access link.
- The *apikey* is located next to the *user* setting.

Profiles

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles:

```
base_softlayer_ubuntu:
  provider: my-softlayer
  image: UBUNTU_LATEST
  cpu number: 1
  ram: 1024
  disk_size: 100
  local_disk: True
  hourly_billing: True
  domain: example.com
  location: sjc01
  # Optional
  max_net_speed: 1000
  private_vlan: 396
  private_network: True
  private_ssh: True
  # May be used _instead_of_ image
  global_identifier: 320d8be5-46c0-dead-cafe-13e3c51
```

Most of the above items are required; optional items are specified below.

image Images to build an instance can be found using the *-list-images* option:

```
# salt-cloud --list-images my-softlayer
```

The setting used will be labeled as *template*.

cpu_number This is the number of CPU cores that will be used for this instance. This number may be dependent upon the image that is used. For instance:

```
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6 - Minimal Install (64 bit) (1 - 4 Core):
------
name:
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6 - Minimal Install (64 bit) (1 - 4 Core)
template:
REDHAT_6_64
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6 - Minimal Install (64 bit) (5 - 100 Core):
-----
name:
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6 - Minimal Install (64 bit) (5 - 100 Core)
template:
REDHAT_6_64
```

Note that the template (meaning, the *image* option) for both of these is the same, but the names suggests how many CPU cores are supported.

ram This is the amount of memory, in megabytes, that will be allocated to this instance.

disk size The amount of disk space that will be allocated to this image, in megabytes.

local_disk When true the disks for the computing instance will be provisioned on the host which it runs, otherwise SAN disks will be provisioned.

hourly_billing When true the computing instance will be billed on hourly usage, otherwise it will be billed on a monthly basis.

domain The domain name that will be used in the FQDN (Fully Qualified Domain Name) for this instance. The *domain* setting will be used in conjunction with the instance name to form the FQDN.

location Images to build an instance can be found using the *-list-locations* option:

```
# salt-cloud --list-location my-softlayer
```

max_net_speed Specifies the connection speed for the instance's network components. This setting is optional. By default, this is set to 10.

public_vlan If it is necessary for an instance to be created within a specific frontend VLAN, the ID for that VLAN can be specified in either the provider or profile configuration.

This ID can be queried using the *list_vlans* function, as described below. This setting is optional.

private_vlan If it is necessary for an instance to be created within a specific backend VLAN, the ID for that VLAN can be specified in either the provider or profile configuration.

This ID can be queried using the *list_vlans* function, as described below. This setting is optional.

private_network If a server is to only be used internally, meaning it does not have a public VLAN associated with it, this value would be set to True. This setting is optional. The default is False.

private_ssh Whether to run the deploy script on the server using the public IP address or the private IP address. If set to True, Salt Cloud will attempt to SSH into the new server using the private IP address. The default is False. This settiong is optional.

global_identifier When creating an instance using a custom template, this option is set to the corresponding value obtained using the *list_custom_images* function. This option will not be used if an *image* is set, and if an *image* is not set, it is required.

The profile can be realized now with a salt command:

```
# salt-cloud -p base_softlayer_ubuntu myserver
```

Using the above configuration, this will create *myserver.example.com*.

Once the instance has been created with salt-minion installed, connectivity to it can be verified with Salt:

```
# salt 'myserver.example.com' test.ping
```

Cloud Profiles

Set up an initial profile at /etc/salt/cloud.profiles:

```
base_softlayer_hw_centos:
   provider: my-softlayer-hw
# CentOS 6.0 - Minimal Install (64 bit)
   image: 13963
# 2 x 2.0 GHz Core Bare Metal Instance - 2 GB Ram
   size: 1921
# 250GB SATA II
   hdd: 19
# San Jose 01
   location: 168642
   domain: example.com
# Optional
   vlan: 396
   port_speed: 273
   banwidth: 248
```

Most of the above items are required; optional items are specified below.

image Images to build an instance can be found using the *-list-images* option:

```
# salt-cloud --list-images my-softlayer-hw
```

A list of *id's and names will be provided. The 'name* will describe the operating system and architecture. The *id* will be the setting to be used in the profile.

size Sizes to build an instance can be found using the *-list-sizes* option:

```
# salt-cloud --list-sizes my-softlayer-hw
```

A list of *id's and names will be provided. The 'name* will describe the speed and quantity of CPU cores, and the amount of memory that the hardware will contain. The *id* will be the setting to be used in the profile.

hdd There are currently two sizes of hard disk drive (HDD) that are available for hardware instances on SoftLayer:

```
19: 250GB SATA II
1267: 500GB SATA II
```

The *hdd* setting in the profile will be either 19 or 1267. Other sizes may be added in the future.

location Locations to build an instance can be found using the *-list-images* option:

```
# salt-cloud --list-locations my-softlayer-hw
```

A list of IDs and names will be provided. The *location* will describe the location in human terms. The *id* will be the setting to be used in the profile.

domain The domain name that will be used in the FQDN (Fully Qualified Domain Name) for this instance. The *domain* setting will be used in conjunction with the instance name to form the FQDN.

vlan If it is necessary for an instance to be created within a specific VLAN, the ID for that VLAN can be specified in either the provider or profile configuration.

This ID can be queried using the *list_vlans* function, as described below.

port_speed Specifies the speed for the instance's network port. This setting refers to an ID within the SoftLayer API, which sets the port speed. This setting is optional. The default is 273, or, 100 Mbps Public & Private Networks. The following settings are available:

- 273: 100 Mbps Public & Private Networks
- 274: 1 Gbps Public & Private Networks
- 21509: 10 Mbps Dual Public & Private Networks (up to 20 Mbps)
- 21513: 100 Mbps Dual Public & Private Networks (up to 200 Mbps)
- 2314: 1 Gbps Dual Public & Private Networks (up to 2 Gbps)
- 272: 10 Mbps Public & Private Networks

bandwidth Specifies the network bandwidth available for the instance. This setting refers to an ID within the SoftLayer API, which sets the bandwidth. This setting is optional. The default is 248, or, 5000 GB Bandwidth. The following settings are available:

- 248: 5000 GB Bandwidth
- 129: 6000 GB Bandwidth
- 130: 8000 GB Bandwidth
- 131: 10000 GB Bandwidth
- 36: Unlimited Bandwidth (10 Mbps Uplink)
- 125: Unlimited Bandwidth (100 Mbps Uplink)

Actions

The following actions are currently supported by the SoftLayer Salt Cloud driver.

show instance

This action is a thin wrapper around *–full-query*, which displays details on a single instance only. In an environment with several machines, this will save a user from having to sort through all instance data, just to examine a single instance.

```
$ salt-cloud -a show_instance myinstance
```

Functions

The following functions are currently supported by the SoftLayer Salt Cloud driver.

list_vlans

This function lists all VLANs associated with the account, and all known data from the SoftLayer API concerning those VLANs.

```
$ salt-cloud -f list_vlans my-softlayer
$ salt-cloud -f list_vlans my-softlayer-hw
```

The *id* returned in this list is necessary for the *vlan* option when creating an instance.

list_custom_images

This function lists any custom templates associated with the account, that can be used to create a new instance.

```
$ salt-cloud -f list_custom_images my-softlayer
```

The *globalIdentifier* returned in this list is necessary for the *global_identifier* option when creating an image using a custom template.

Optional Products for SoftLayer HW

The softlayer_hw provider supports the ability to add optional products, which are supported by SoftLayer's API. These products each have an ID associated with them, that can be passed into Salt Cloud with the *optional_products* option:

```
softlayer_hw_test:
  provider: my-softlayer-hw
  # CentOS 6.0 - Minimal Install (64 bit)
  image: 13963
  # 2 x 2.0 GHz Core Bare Metal Instance - 2 GB Ram
  size: 1921
  # 250GB SATA II
  hdd: 19
  # San Jose 01
  location: 168642
  domain: example.com
  optional_products:
    # MySQL for Linux
    - id: 28
    # Business Continuance Insurance
    - id: 104
```

These values can be manually obtained by looking at the source of an order page on the SoftLayer web interface. For convenience, many of these values are listed here:

Public Secondary IP Addresses

- 22: 4 Public IP Addresses
- 23: 8 Public IP Addresses

Primary IPv6 Addresses

• 17129: 1 IPv6 Address

Public Static IPv6 Addresses

• 1481: /64 Block Static Public IPv6 Addresses

OS-Specific Addon

- 17139: XenServer Advanced for XenServer 6.x
- 17141: XenServer Enterprise for XenServer 6.x
- 2334: XenServer Advanced for XenServer 5.6
- 2335: XenServer Enterprise for XenServer 5.6
- 13915: Microsoft WebMatrix
- 21276: VMware vCenter 5.1 Standard

Control Panel Software

- 121: cPanel/WHM with Fantastico and RVskin
- 20778: Parallels Plesk Panel 11 (Linux) 100 Domain w/ Power Pack
- 20786: Parallels Plesk Panel 11 (Windows) 100 Domain w/ Power Pack
- 20787: Parallels Plesk Panel 11 (Linux) Unlimited Domain w/ Power Pack
- 20792: Parallels Plesk Panel 11 (Windows) Unlimited Domain w/ Power Pack
- 2340: Parallels Plesk Panel 10 (Linux) 100 Domain w/ Power Pack
- 2339: Parallels Plesk Panel 10 (Linux) Unlimited Domain w/ Power Pack
- 13704: Parallels Plesk Panel 10 (Windows) Unlimited Domain w/ Power Pack

Database Software

- 29: MySQL 5.0 for Windows
- 28: MySQL for Linux
- 21501: Riak 1.x

- 20893: MongoDB
- 30: Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Express
- 92: Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Workgroup
- 90: Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Standard
- 94: Microsoft SQL Server 2005 Enterprise
- 1330: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express
- 1340: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Web
- 1337: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Workgroup
- 1334: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Standard
- 1331: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Enterprise
- 2179: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express R2
- 2173: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Web R2
- 2183: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Workgroup R2
- 2180: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Standard R2
- 2176: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Enterprise R2

Anti-Virus & Spyware Protection

- 594: McAfee VirusScan Anti-Virus Windows
- 414: McAfee Total Protection Windows

Insurance

• 104: Business Continuance Insurance

Monitoring

- 55: Host Ping
- 56: Host Ping and TCP Service Monitoring

Notification

• 57: Email and Ticket

Advanced Monitoring

- 2302: Monitoring Package Basic
- 2303: Monitoring Package Advanced
- 2304: Monitoring Package Premium Application

Response

- 58: Automated Notification
- 59: Automated Reboot from Monitoring
- 60: 24x7x365 NOC Monitoring, Notification, and Response

Intrusion Detection & Protection

• 413: McAfee Host Intrusion Protection w/Reporting

Hardware & Software Firewalls

- 411: APF Software Firewall for Linux
- 894: Microsoft Windows Firewall
- 410: 10Mbps Hardware Firewall
- 409: 100Mbps Hardware Firewall
- 408: 1000Mbps Hardware Firewall

14.2 Core Configuration

14.2.1 Core Configuration

A number of core configuration options and some options that are global to the VM profiles can be set in the cloud configuration file. By default this file is located at /etc/salt/cloud.

Thread Pool Size

When salt cloud is operating in parallel mode via the -P argument, you can control the thread pool size by specifying the pool_size parameter with a positive integer value.

By default, the thread pool size will be set to the number of VMs that salt cloud is operating on.

```
pool_size: 10
```

Minion Configuration

The default minion configuration is set up in this file. This is where the minions that are created derive their configuration from.

```
minion:
    master: saltmaster.example.com
```

In particular, this is the location to specify the location of the salt master.

New Cloud Configuration Syntax

The data specific to interacting with public clouds is set up here.

ATTENTION: Since version 0.8.7 a new cloud provider configuration syntax was implemented. It will allow for multiple configurations of the same cloud provider where only minor details can change, for example, the region for an EC2 instance. While the old format is still supported and automatically migrated every time salt-cloud configuration is parsed, a choice was made to warn the user or even exit with an error if both formats are mixed.

Migrating Configurations

If you wish to migrate, there are several alternatives. Since the old syntax was mainly done on the main cloud configuration file, see the next before and after migration example.

• Before migration in /etc/salt/cloud:

```
AWS.id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
AWS.key: 'kdjgfsgm;woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
AWS.keyname: test
AWS.securitygroup: quick-start
AWS.private_key: /root/test.pem
```

• After migration in /etc/salt/cloud:

```
providers:
   my-aws-migrated-config:
    id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
    key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
    keyname: test
    securitygroup: quick-start
    private_key: /root/test.pem
    provider: aws
```

Notice that it's no longer required to name a cloud provider's configuration after its provider; it can be an alias, though an additional configuration key is added, provider. This allows for multiple configuration for the same cloud provider to coexist.

While moving towards an improved and extensible configuration handling regarding the cloud providers, —providers—config, which defaults to /etc/salt/cloud.providers, was added to the cli parser. It allows for the cloud providers configuration to be provided in a different file, and/or even any matching file on a sub-directory, cloud.providers.d/*.conf which is relative to the providers configuration file(with the above configuration file as an example, /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/*.conf).

So, using the example configuration above, after migration in /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/aws-migrated.conf:

```
my-aws-migrated-config:
   id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
   key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
   keyname: test
   securitygroup: quick-start
   private_key: /root/test.pem
   provider: aws
```

Notice that on this last migrated example, it **no longer** includes the providers starting key.

While migrating the cloud providers configuration, if the provider alias (from the above example my-aws-migrated-config) changes from what you had (from the above example aws), you will also need to change the provider configuration key in the defined profiles.

• From:

```
rhel_aws:
   provider: aws
   image: ami-e565ba8c
   size: Micro Instance

   • To:

rhel_aws:
   provider: my-aws-migrated-config
   image: ami-e565ba8c
   size: Micro Instance
```

This new configuration syntax even allows you to have multiple cloud configurations under the same alias, for example:

```
production-config:
    - id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
    key: 'kdjgfsgm;woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
    keyname: test
    securitygroup: quick-start
    private_key: /root/test.pem

- user: example_user
    apikey: 123984bjjas87034
    provider: rackspace
```

Notice the dash and indentation on the above example.

Having multiple entries for a configuration alias also makes the provider key on any defined profile to change, see the example:

```
rhel_aws_dev:
   provider: production-config:aws
   image: ami-e565ba8c
   size: Micro Instance

rhel_aws_prod:
   provider: production-config:aws
   image: ami-e565ba8c
   size: High-CPU Extra Large Instance

database_prod:
   provider: production-config:rackspace
   image: Ubuntu 12.04 LTS
   size: 256 server
```

Notice that because of the multiple entries, one has to be explicit about the provider alias and name, from the above example, production-config:aws.

Cloud Configurations

Rackspace

Rackspace cloud requires two configuration options:

• Using the old format:

```
RACKSPACE.user: example_user
RACKSPACE.apikey: 123984bjjas87034
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-rackspace-config:
   user: example_user
   apikey: 123984bjjas87034
   provider: rackspace
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: rackspace-config instead of provider: rackspace on a profile configuration.

Amazon AWS

A number of configuration options are required for Amazon AWS:

• Using the old format:

```
AWS.id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
AWS.key: 'kdjgfsgm;woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
AWS.keyname: test
AWS.securitygroup: quick-start
AWS.private_key: /root/test.pem
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-aws-quick-start:
   id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
   key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
   keyname: test
   securitygroup: quick-start
   private_key: /root/test.pem
   provider: aws

my-aws-default:
   id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
   key: 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
   keyname: test
   securitygroup: default
   private_key: /root/test.pem
   provider: aws
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-aws-quick-start or provider: my-aws-default instead of provider: aws on a profile configuration.

Linode

Linode requires a single API key, but the default root password also needs to be set:

• Using the old format:

```
LINODE.apikey: asldkgfakl;sdfjsjaslfjaklsdjf;askldjfaaklsjdfhasldsadfghdkf LINODE.password: F00barbaz
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-linode-config:
    apikey: asldkgfakl;sdfjsjaslfjaklsdjf;askldjfaaklsjdfhasldsadfghdkf
    password: F00barbaz
    provider: linode
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-linode-config instead of provider: linode on a profile configuration.

The password needs to be 8 characters and contain lowercase, uppercase and numbers.

Joyent Cloud

The Joyent cloud requires three configuration parameters. The username and password that are used to log into the Joyent system, and the location of the private SSH key associated with the Joyent account. The SSH key is needed to send the provisioning commands up to the freshly created virtual machine.

• Using the old format:

```
JOYENT.user: fred
JOYENT.password: saltybacon
JOYENT.private_key: /root/joyent.pem
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-joyent-config:
    user: fred
    password: saltybacon
    private_key: /root/joyent.pem
    provider: joyent
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-joyent-config instead of provider: joyent on a profile configuration.

GoGrid

To use Salt Cloud with GoGrid log into the GoGrid web interface and create an API key. Do this by clicking on "My Account" and then going to the API Keys tab.

The GOGRID.apikey and the GOGRID.sharedsecret configuration parameters need to be set in the configuration file to enable interfacing with GoGrid:

• Using the old format:

```
GOGRID.apikey: asdff7896asdh789
GOGRID.sharedsecret: saltybacon
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-gogrid-config:
   apikey: asdff7896asdh789
   sharedsecret: saltybacon
   provider: gogrid
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-gogrid-config instead of provider: gogrid on a profile configuration.

OpenStack

OpenStack configuration differs between providers, and at the moment several options need to be specified. This module has been officially tested against the HP and the Rackspace implementations, and some examples are provided for both.

• Using the old format:

```
OPENSTACK.identity_url: 'https://region-a.geo-1.identity.hpcloudsvc.com:35357/v2.0/'
OPENSTACK.compute_name: Compute
OPENSTACK.compute_region: 'az-1.region-a.geo-1'
OPENSTACK.tenant: myuser-tenant1
OPENSTACK.user: myuser
OPENSTACK.ssh_key_name: mykey
OPENSTACK.ssh_key_file: '/etc/salt/hpcloud/mykey.pem'
OPENSTACK.password: mypass
# For Rackspace
OPENSTACK.identity_url: 'https://identity.api.rackspacecloud.com/v2.0/tokens'
OPENSTACK.compute_name: cloudServersOpenStack
OPENSTACK.protocol: ipv4
OPENSTACK.compute_region: DFW
OPENSTACK.protocol: ipv4
OPENSTACK.user: myuser
OPENSTACK.tenant: 5555555
OPENSTACK.password: mypass
```

If you have an API key for your provider, it may be specified instead of a password:

```
OPENSTACK.apikey: 901d3f579h23c8v73q9
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
# For HP
my-openstack-hp-config:
  identity_url:
  'https://region-a.geo-1.identity.hpcloudsvc.com:35357/v2.0/'
  compute_name: Compute
  compute_region: 'az-1.region-a.geo-1'
  tenant: myuser-tenant1
  user: myuser
  ssh_key_name: mykey
  ssh_key_file: '/etc/salt/hpcloud/mykey.pem'
  password: mypass
  provider: openstack
# For Rackspace
my-openstack-rackspace-config:
  identity_url: 'https://identity.api.rackspacecloud.com/v2.0/tokens'
  compute_name: cloudServersOpenStack
  protocol: ipv4
  compute_region: DFW
  protocol: ipv4
  user: myuser
```

tenant: 5555555
password: mypass
provider: openstack

If you have an API key for your provider, it may be specified instead of a password:

```
my-openstack-hp-config:
   apikey: 901d3f579h23c8v73q9

my-openstack-rackspace-config:
   apikey: 901d3f579h23c8v73q9
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-openstack-hp-config or provider: my-openstack-rackspace-config instead of provider: openstack on a profile configuration.

You will certainly need to configure the user, tenant and either password or apikey.

If your OpenStack instances only have private IP addresses and a CIDR range of private addresses are not reachable from the salt-master, you may set your preference to have Salt ignore it. Using the old could configurations syntax:

```
OPENSTACK.ignore_cidr: 192.168.0.0/16
```

Using the new syntax:

```
my-openstack-config:
  ignore_cidr: 192.168.0.0/16
```

For in-house OpenStack Essex installation, libcloud needs the service_type:

```
my-openstack-config:
  identity_url: 'http://control.openstack.example.org:5000/v2.0/'
  compute_name : Compute Service
  service_type : compute
```

Digital Ocean

Using Salt for Digital Ocean requires a client_key and an api_key. These can be found in the Digital Ocean web interface, in the "My Settings" section, under the API Access tab.

• Using the old format:

```
DIGITAL_OCEAN.client_key: wFGEwgregeqw3435gDger
DIGITAL_OCEAN.api_key: GDE43t43REGTrkilg43934t34qT43t4dgegerGEgg
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-digitalocean-config:
   provider: digital_ocean
   client_key: wFGEwgregeqw3435gDger
   api_key: GDE43t43REGTrkilg43934t34qT43t4dgegerGEgg
   location: New York 1
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-digitalocean-config instead of provider: digital_ocean on a profile configuration.

Parallels

Using Salt with Parallels requires a user, password and URL. These can be obtained from your cloud provider.

• Using the old format:

```
PARALLELS.user: myuser
PARALLELS.password: xyzzy
PARALLELS.url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
```

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-parallels-config:
    user: myuser
    password: xyzzy
    url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
    provider: parallels
```

NOTE: With the new providers configuration syntax you would have provider: my-parallels-configuration instead of provider: parallels on a profile configuration.

Proxmox

Using Salt with Proxmox requires a user, password and URL. These can be obtained from your cloud provider. Both PAM and PVE users can be used.

• Using the new configuration format:

```
my-proxmox-config:
  provider: proxmox
  user: saltcloud@pve
  password: xyzzy
  url: your.proxmox.host
```

Ixc

The lxc driver is a new, experimental driver for installing Salt on newly provisionned (via saltcloud) lxc containers. It will in turn use saltify to install salt an rattach the lxc container as a new lxc minion. As soon as we can, we manage baremetal operation over SSH. You can also destroy those containers via this driver.

```
devhost10-lxc:
  target: devhost10
  provider: lxc
```

And in the map file:

```
devhost10-lxc:
  provider: devhost10-lxc
  from_container: ubuntu
  backing: lvm
  sudo: True
  size: 3g
  ip: 10.0.3.9
  minion:
    master: 10.5.0.1
    master_port: 4506
```

```
lxc_conf:
   -lxc.utsname: superlxc
```

Saltify

The Saltify driver is a new, experimental driver for installing Salt on existing machines (virtual or bare metal). Because it does not use an actual cloud provider, it needs no configuration in the main cloud config file. However, it does still require a profile to be set up, and is most useful when used inside a map file. The key parameters to be set are ssh_host, ssh_username and either ssh_keyfile or ssh_password. These may all be set in either the profile or the map. An example configuration might use the following in cloud profiles:

```
make_salty:
  provider: saltify

And in the map file:

make_salty:
  - myinstance:
    ssh_host: 54.262.11.38
    ssh_username: ubuntu
    ssh_keyfile: '/etc/salt/mysshkey.pem'
    sudo: True
```

Extending Profiles and Cloud Providers Configuration

As of 0.8.7, the option to extend both the profiles and cloud providers configuration and avoid duplication was added. The extends feature works on the current profiles configuration, but, regarding the cloud providers configuration, only works in the new syntax and respective configuration files, i.e. /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/*.conf.

Extending Profiles

Some example usage on how to use extends with profiles. Consider /etc/salt/salt/cloud.profiles containing:

```
development-instances:
  provider: my-ec2-config
  size: Micro Instance
  ssh_username: ec2_user
  securitygroup:
    - default
  deploy: False

Amazon-Linux-AMI-2012.09-64bit:
  image: ami-54cf5c3d
  extends: development-instances

Fedora-17:
  image: ami-08d97e61
  extends: development-instances
CentOS-5:
  provider: my-aws-config
```

```
image: ami-09b61d60
extends: development-instances
```

The above configuration, once parsed would generate the following profiles data:

```
[{'deploy': False,
  'image': 'ami-08d97e61',
 'profile': 'Fedora-17',
 'provider': 'my-ec2-config',
 'securitygroup': ['default'],
 'size': 'Micro Instance',
 'ssh_username': 'ec2_user'},
 {'deploy': False,
  'image': 'ami-09b61d60',
 'profile': 'CentOS-5',
 'provider': 'my-aws-config',
 'securitygroup': ['default'],
 'size': 'Micro Instance',
 'ssh_username': 'ec2_user'},
 {'deploy': False,
  'image': 'ami-54cf5c3d',
 'profile': 'Amazon-Linux-AMI-2012.09-64bit',
 'provider': 'my-ec2-config',
 'securitygroup': ['default'],
 'size': 'Micro Instance',
 'ssh_username': 'ec2_user'},
 {'deploy': False,
  'profile': 'development-instances',
 'provider': 'my-ec2-config',
 'securitygroup': ['default'],
 'size': 'Micro Instance',
 'ssh_username': 'ec2_user'}]
```

Pretty cool right?

Extending Providers

Some example usage on how to use extends within the cloud providers configuration. Consider /etc/salt/cloud.providers containing:

```
my-develop-envs:
    - id: HJGRYCILJLKJYG
    key: 'kdjgfsgm;woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn'
    keyname: test
    securitygroup: quick-start
    private_key: /root/test.pem
    location: ap-southeast-1
    availability_zone: ap-southeast-1b
    provider: aws

- user: myuser@mycorp.com
    password: mypass
    ssh_key_name: mykey
    ssh_key_file: '/etc/salt/ibm/mykey.pem'
    location: Raleigh
    provider: ibmsce
```

```
my-productions-envs:
    - extends: my-develop-envs:ibmsce
    user: my-production-user@mycorp.com
    location: us-east-1
    availability_zone: us-east-1
```

The above configuration, once parsed would generate the following providers data:

```
'providers': {
    'my-develop-envs': [
        {'availability_zone': 'ap-southeast-1b',
         'id': 'HJGRYCILJLKJYG',
         'key': 'kdjgfsgm; woormgl/aserigjksjdhasdfgn',
         'keyname': 'test',
         'location': 'ap-southeast-1',
         'private_key': '/root/test.pem',
         'provider': 'aws',
         'securitygroup': 'quick-start'
        },
        {'location': 'Raleigh',
         'password': 'mypass',
         'provider': 'ibmsce',
         'ssh_key_file': '/etc/salt/ibm/mykey.pem',
         'ssh_key_name': 'mykey',
         'user': 'myuser@mycorp.com'
    ],
    'my-productions-envs': [
        {'availability_zone': 'us-east-1',
         'location': 'us-east-1',
         'password': 'mypass',
         'provider': 'ibmsce',
         'ssh_key_file': '/etc/salt/ibm/mykey.pem',
         'ssh_key_name': 'mykey',
         'user': 'my-production-user@mycorp.com'
    ]
```

14.3 Windows Configuration

14.3.1 Spinning up Windows Minions

It is possible to use Salt Cloud to spin up Windows instances, and then install Salt on them. This functionality is available on all cloud providers that are supported by Salt Cloud. However, it may not necessarily be available on all Windows images.

Requirements

Salt Cloud makes use of *smbclient* and *winexe* to set up the Windows Salt Minion installer. *smbclient* may be part of either the *samba* package, or its own *smbclient* package, depending on the distribution. *winexe* is less commonly available in distribution-specific repositories. However, it is currently being built for various distributions in 3rd party channels:

- RPMs at pbone.net
- OpenSuse Build Service

Additionally, a copy of the Salt Minion Windows installer must be present on the system on which Salt Cloud is running. This installer may be downloaded from saltstack.com:

• SaltStack Download Area

Firewall Settings

Because Salt Cloud makes use of *smbclient* and *winexe*, port 445 must be open on the target image. This port is not generally open by default on a standard Windows distribution, and care must be taken to use an image in which this port is open, or the Windows firewall is disabled.

Configuration

Configuration is set as usual, with some extra configuration settings. The location of the Windows installer on the machine that Salt Cloud is running on must be specified. This may be done in any of the regular configuration files (main, providers, profiles, maps). For example:

Setting the installer in /etc/salt/cloud.providers:

```
my-softlayer:
   provider: softlayer
   user: MYUSER1138
   apikey: 'e3b68aa711e6deadc62d5b76355674beef7cc3116062ddbacafe5f7e465bfdc9'
   minion:
        master: saltmaster.example.com
   win_installer: /root/Salt-Minion-0.17.0-AMD64-Setup.exe
   win_username: Administrator
   win_password: letmein
```

The default Windows user is *Administrator*, and the default Windows password is blank.

14.4 Using Salt Cloud

14.4.1 VM Profiles

Salt cloud designates virtual machines inside the profile configuration file. The profile configuration file defaults to /etc/salt/cloud.profiles and is a yaml configuration. The syntax for declaring profiles is simple:

```
fedora_rackspace:
   provider: rackspace
   image: Fedora 17
   size: 256 server
   script: Fedora
```

A few key pieces of information need to be declared and can change based on the public cloud provider. A number of additional parameters can also be inserted:

```
centos_rackspace:
   provider: rackspace
   image: CentOS 6.2
   size: 1024 server
```

```
script: RHEL6
minion:
    master: salt.example.com
    append_domain: webs.example.com
    grains:
        role: webserver
```

The image must be selected from available images. Similarly, sizes must be selected from the list of sizes. To get a list of available images and sizes use the following command:

```
salt-cloud --list-images openstack
salt-cloud --list-sizes openstack
```

Some parameters can be specified in the main Salt cloud configuration file and then are applied to all cloud profiles. For instance if only a single cloud provider is being used then the provider option can be declared in the Salt cloud configuration file.

Multiple Configuration Files

In addition to /etc/salt/cloud.profiles, profiles can also be specified in any file matching cloud.profiles.d/*conf which is a sub-directory relative to the profiles configuration file(with the above configuration file as an example, /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/*.conf). This allows for more extensible configuration, and plays nicely with various configuration management tools as well as version control systems.

Larger Example

```
rhel_ec2:
   provider: ec2
    image: ami-e565ba8c
    size: Micro Instance
    script: RHEL6
   minion:
        cheese: edam
ubuntu_ec2:
   provider: ec2
   image: ami-7e2da54e
    size: Micro Instance
    script: Ubuntu
   minion:
        cheese: edam
ubuntu_rackspace:
   provider: rackspace
    image: Ubuntu 12.04 LTS
    size: 256 server
    script: Ubuntu
   minion:
        cheese: edam
fedora_rackspace:
   provider: rackspace
    image: Fedora 17
    size: 256 server
    script: Fedora
    minion:
```

```
cheese: edam
cent_linode:
   provider: linode
    image: CentOS 6.2 64bit
    size: Linode 512
    script: RHEL6
cent_gogrid:
   provider: gogrid
    image: 12834
    size: 512MB
    script: RHEL6
cent_joyent:
   provider: joyent
    image: centos-6
    script: RHEL6
    size: Small 1GB
```

14.4.2 Cloud Map File

A number of options exist when creating virtual machines. They can be managed directly from profiles and the command line execution, or a more complex map file can be created. The map file allows for a number of virtual machines to be created and associated with specific profiles.

Map files have a simple format, specify a profile and then a list of virtual machines to make from said profile:

```
fedora_small:
    - web1
    - web2
    - web3
fedora_high:
    - redis1
    - redis2
    - redis3
cent_high:
    - riak1
    - riak2
    - riak3
```

This map file can then be called to roll out all of these virtual machines. Map files are called from the salt-cloud command with the -m option:

```
$ salt-cloud -m /path/to/mapfile
```

Remember, that as with direct profile provisioning the -P option can be passed to create the virtual machines in parallel:

```
$ salt-cloud -m /path/to/mapfile -P
```

A map file can also be enforced to represent the total state of a cloud deployment by using the --hard option. When using the hard option any vms that exist but are not specified in the map file will be destroyed:

```
$ salt-cloud -m /path/to/mapfile -P -H
```

Be careful with this argument, it is very dangerous! In fact, it is so dangerous that in order to use it, you must explicitly enable it in the main configuration file.

```
enable_hard_maps: True
```

A map file can include grains and minion configuration options:

```
fedora_small:
    - web1:
        minion:
        log_level: debug
        grains:
        cheese: tasty
        omelet: du fromage
    - web2:
        minion:
        log_level: warn
        grains:
        cheese: more tasty
        omelet: with peppers
```

A map file may also be used with the various query options:

Setting up New Salt Masters

Proceed? [N/y]

Bootstrapping a new master in the map is as simple as:

```
fedora_small:
    - web1
    make_master: True
    - web2
    - web3
```

Notice that ALL bootstrapped minions from the map will answer to the newly created salt-master.

To make any of the bootstrapped minions answer to the bootstrapping salt-master as opposed to the newly created salt-master, as an example:

```
fedora_small:
    - web1
    make_master: True
    minion:
        master: <the local master ip address>
        local_master: True
```

```
- web2
```

The above says the minion running on the newly created salt-master responds to the local master, ie, the master used to bootstrap these VMs.

Another example:

```
fedora_small:
    - web1
        make_master: True
    - web2
    - web3
      minion:
        master: <the local master ip address>
        local_master: True
```

The above example makes the web3 minion answer to the local master, not the newly created master.

14.4.3 Cloud Actions

Once a VM has been created, there are a number of actions that can be performed on it. The "reboot" action can be used across all providers, but all other actions are specific to the cloud provider. In order to perform an action, you may specify it from the command line, including the name(s) of the VM to perform the action on:

```
$ salt-cloud -a reboot vm_name
$ salt-cloud -a reboot vm1 vm2 vm2
```

Or you may specify a map which includes all VMs to perform the action on:

```
$ salt-cloud -a reboot -m /path/to/mapfile
```

The following is a list of actions currently supported by salt-cloud:

```
all providers:
    - reboot
ec2:
    - start
    - stop
joyent:
    - stop
```

14.4.4 Cloud Functions

Cloud functions work much the same way as cloud actions, except that they don't perform an operation on a specific instance, and so do not need a machine name to be specified. However, since they perform an operation on a specific cloud provider, that provider must be specified.

```
$ salt-cloud -f show_image ec2 image=ami-fd20ad94
```

14.5 Miscellaneous Options

14.5.1 Miscellaneous Salt Cloud Options

This page describes various miscellaneous options available in Salt Cloud

Deploy Script Arguments

Custom deploy scripts are unlikely to need custom arguments to be passed to them, but salt-bootstrap has been extended quite a bit, and this may be necessary. script_args can be specified in either the profile or the map file, to pass arguments to the deploy script:

```
ec2-amazon:
    provider: ec2
    image: ami-1624987f
    size: Micro Instance
    ssh_username: ec2-user
    script: bootstrap-salt
    script_args: -c /tmp/
```

This has also been tested to work with pipes, if needed:

```
script_args: | head
```

Sync After Install

Salt allows users to create custom modules, grains and states which can be synchronised to minions to extend Salt with further functionality.

This option will inform Salt Cloud to synchronise your custom modules, grains, states or all these to the minion just after it has been created. For this to happen, the following line needs to be added to the main cloud configuration file:

```
sync_after_install: all
```

The available options for this setting are:

```
modules
grains
states
all
```

Setting up New Salt Masters

It has become increasingly common for users to set up multi-hierarchal infrastructures using Salt Cloud. This sometimes involves setting up an instance to be a master in addition to a minion. With that in mind, you can now lay down master configuration on a machine by specifying master options in the profile or map file.

```
make_master: True
```

This will cause Salt Cloud to generate master keys for the instance, and tell salt-bootstrap to install the salt-master package, in addition to the salt-minion package.

The default master configuration is usually appropriate for most users, and will not be changed unless specific master configuration has been added to the profile or map:

```
master:
    user: root
    interface: 0.0.0.0
```

Delete SSH Keys

When Salt Cloud deploys an instance, the SSH pub key for the instance is added to the known_hosts file for the user that ran the salt-cloud command. When an instance is deployed, a cloud provider generally recycles the IP address for the instance. When Salt Cloud attempts to deploy an instance using a recycled IP address that has previously been accessed from the same machine, the old key in the known hosts file will cause a conflict.

In order to mitigate this issue, Salt Cloud can be configured to remove old keys from the known_hosts file when destroying the node. In order to do this, the following line needs to be added to the main cloud configuration file:

```
delete_sshkeys: True
```

Keeping /tmp/ Files

When Salt Cloud deploys an instance, it uploads temporary files to /tmp/ for salt-bootstrap to put in place. After the script has run, they are deleted. To keep these files around (mostly for debugging purposes), the –keep-tmp option can be added:

```
salt-cloud -p myprofile mymachine --keep-tmp
```

For those wondering why /tmp/ was used instead of /root/, this had to be done for images which require the use of sudo, and therefore do not allow remote root logins, even for file transfers (which makes /root/ unavailable).

Hide Output From Minion Install

By default Salt Cloud will stream the output from the minion deploy script directly to STDOUT. Although this can been very useful, in certain cases you may wish to switch this off. The following config option is there to enable or disable this output:

```
display_ssh_output: False
```

Connection Timeout

There are several stages when deploying Salt where Salt Cloud needs to wait for something to happen. The VM getting it's IP address, the VM's SSH port is available, etc.

If you find that the Salt Cloud defaults are not enough and your deployment fails because Salt Cloud did not wait log enough, there are some settings you can tweak.

Note

All values should be provided in seconds

You can tweak these settings globally, per cloud provider, or event per profile definition.

wait_for_ip_timeout

The amount of time Salt Cloud should wait for a VM to start and get an IP back from the cloud provider. Default: 5 minutes.

wait for ip interval

The amount of time Salt Cloud should sleep while querying for the VM's IP. Default: 5 seconds.

ssh_connect_timeout

The amount of time Salt Cloud should wait for a successful SSH connection to the VM. Default: 5 minutes.

wait_for_passwd_timeout

The amount of time until an ssh connection can be established via password or ssh key. Default 15 seconds.

wait for fun timeout

Some cloud drivers check for an available IP or a successful SSH connection using a function, namely, SoftLayer and SoftLayer-HW. So, the amount of time Salt Cloud should retry such functions before failing. Default: 5 minutes.

wait for spot timeout

The amount of time Salt Cloud should wait before an EC2 Spot instance is available. This setting is only available for the EC2 cloud driver.

14.6 Troubleshooting Steps

14.6.1 Troubleshooting Salt Cloud

This page describes various steps for troubleshooting problems that may arise while using Salt Cloud.

Generic Troubleshooting Steps

This section describes a set of instructions that are useful to a large number of situations, and are likely to solve most issues that arise.

Version Compatibility

One of the most common issues that Salt Cloud users run into is import errors. These are often caused by version compatibility issues with Salt.

Salt 0.16.x works with Salt Cloud 0.8.9 or greater.

Salt 0.17.x requires Salt Cloud 0.8.11.

Releases after 0.17.x (0.18 or greater) should not encounter issues as Salt Cloud has been merged into Salt itself.

Debug Mode

Frequently, running Salt Cloud in debug mode will reveal information about a deployment which would otherwise not be obvious:

```
salt-cloud -p myprofile myinstance -l debug
```

Keep in mind that a number of messages will appear that look at first like errors, but are in fact intended to give developers factual information to assist in debugging. A number of messages that appear will be for cloud providers that you do not have configured; in these cases, the message usually is intended to confirm that they are not configured.

Salt Bootstrap

By default, Salt Cloud uses the Salt Bootstrap script to provision instances:

This script is packaged with Salt Cloud, but may be updated without updating the Salt package:

```
salt-cloud -u
```

The Bootstrap Log

If the default deploy script was used, there should be a file in the /tmp/ directory called bootstrap-salt.log. This file contains the full output from the deployment, including any errors that may have occurred.

Keeping Temp Files

Salt Cloud uploads minion-specific files to instances once they are available via SSH, and then executes a deploy script to put them into the correct place and install Salt. The --keep-tmp option will instruct Salt Cloud not to remove those files when finished with them, so that the user may inspect them for problems:

```
salt-cloud -p myprofile myinstance --keep-tmp
```

By default, Salt Cloud will create a directory on the target instance called /tmp/.saltcloud/. This directory should be owned by the user that is to execute the deploy script, and should have permissions of 0700.

Most cloud providers are configured to use root as the default initial user for deployment, and as such, this directory and all files in it should be owned by the root user.

The /tmp/.saltcloud/ directory should the following files:

- A deploy.sh script. This script should have permissions of 0755.
- A .pem and .pub key named after the minion. The .pem file should have permissions of 0600. Ensure that the .pem and .pub files have been properly copied to the /etc/salt/pki/minion/directory.
- A file called minion. This file should have been copied to the /etc/salt/ directory.
- Optionally, a file called grains. This file, if present, should have been copied to the /etc/salt/ directory.

Unprivileged Primary Users

Some providers, most notably EC2, are configured with a different primary user. Some common examples are ec2-user, ubuntu, fedora and bitnami. In these cases, the /tmp/.saltcloud/ directory and all files in it should be owned by this user.

Some providers, such as EC2, are configured to not require these users to provide a password when using the sudo command. Because it is more secure to require sudo users to provide a password, other providers are configured that way.

If this instance is required to provide a password, it needs to be configured in Salt Cloud. A password for sudo to use may be added to either the provider configuration or the profile configuration:

```
sudo_password: mypassword
```

/tmp/ is Mounted as noexec

It is more secure to mount the /tmp/ directory with a noexec option. This is uncommon on most cloud providers, but very common in private environments. To see if the /tmp/ directory is mounted this way, run the following command:

```
mount | grep tmp
```

The if the output of this command includes a line that looks like this, then the /tmp/ directory is mounted as no exec:

```
tmpfs on /tmp type tmpfs (rw,noexec)
```

If this is the case, then the deploy_command will need to be changed in order to run the deploy script through the sh command, rather than trying to execute it directly. This may be specified in either the provider or the profile config:

```
deploy_command: sh /tmp/.saltcloud/deploy.sh
```

Please note that by default, Salt Cloud will place its files in a directory called /tmp/.saltcloud/. This may be also be changed in the provider or profile configuration:

```
tmp_dir: /tmp/.saltcloud/
```

If this directory is changed, then the deploy_command need to be changed in order to reflect the tmp_dir configuration.

Executing the Deploy Script Manually

If all of the files needed for deployment were successfully uploaded to the correct locations, and contain the correct permissions and ownerships, the deploy script may be executed manually in order to check for other issues:

```
cd /tmp/.saltcloud/
./deploy.sh
```

14.7 Extending Salt Cloud

14.7.1 Writing Cloud Provider Modules

Salt Cloud runs on a module system similar to the main Salt project. The modules inside saltcloud exist in the salt/cloud/clouds directory of the salt source.

There are two basic types of cloud modules. If a cloud provider is supported by libcloud, then using it is the fastest route to getting a module written. The Apache Libcloud project is located at:

http://libcloud.apache.org/

Not every cloud provider is supported by libcloud. Additionally, not every feature in a supported cloud provider is necessary supported by libcloud. In either of these cases, a module can be created which does not rely on libcloud.

All Modules

The following functions are required by all modules, whether or not they are based on libcloud.

The virtual () Function

This function determines whether or not to make this cloud module available upon execution. Most often, it uses get_configured_provider() to determine if the necessary configuration has been set up. It may also check for necessary imports, to decide whether to load the module. In most cases, it will return a True or False value. If the name of the driver used does not match the filename, then that name should be returned instead of True. An example of this may be seen in the Azure module:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/tree/develop/salt/cloud/clouds/msazure.py

The get_configured_provider() Function

This function uses <code>config.is_provider_configured()</code> to determine wither all required information for this driver has been configured. The last value in the list of required settings should be followed by a comma.

Libcloud Based Modules

Writing a cloud module based on libcloud has two major advantages. First of all, much of the work has already been done by the libcloud project. Second, most of the functions necessary to Salt have already been added to the Salt Cloud project.

The create() Function

The most important function that does need to be manually written is the create() function. This is what is used to request a virtual machine to be created by the cloud provider, wait for it to become available, and then (optionally) log in and install Salt on it.

A good example to follow for writing a cloud provider module based on libcloud is the module provided for Linode:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/tree/develop/salt/cloud/clouds/linode.py

The basic flow of a create () function is as follows:

- Send a request to the cloud provider to create a virtual machine.
- Wait for the virtual machine to become available.
- Generate kwargs to be used to deploy Salt.
- Log into the virtual machine and deploy Salt.
- Return a data structure that describes the newly-created virtual machine.

At various points throughout this function, events may be fired on the Salt event bus. Four of these events, which are described below, are required. Other events may be added by the user, where appropriate.

When the create() function is called, it is passed a data structure called vm_. This dict contains a composite of information describing the virtual machine to be created. A dict called __opts__ is also provided by Salt, which contains the options used to run Salt Cloud, as well as a set of configuration and environment variables.

The first thing the create() function must do is fire an event stating that it has started the create process. This event is tagged salt/cloud/<vm name>/creating. The payload contains the names of the VM, profile and provider.

A set of kwargs is then usually created, to describe the parameters required by the cloud provider to request the virtual machine.

An event is then fired to state that a virtual machine is about to be requested. It is tagged as salt/cloud/<vm name>/requesting. The payload contains most or all of the parameters that will be sent to the cloud provider. Any private information (such as passwords) should not be sent in the event.

After a request is made, a set of deploy kwargs will be generated. These will be used to install Salt on the target machine. Windows options are supported at this point, and should be generated, even if the cloud provider does not currently support Windows. This will save time in the future if the provider does eventually decide to support Windows.

An event is then fired to state that the deploy process is about to begin. This event is tagged salt/cloud/<vm name>/deploying. The payload for the event will contain a set of deploy kwargs, useful for debugging purposed. Any private data, including passwords and keys (including public keys) should be stripped from the deploy kwargs before the event is fired.

If any Windows options have been passed in, the salt.utils.cloud.deploy_windows() function will be called. Otherwise, it will be assumed that the target is a Linux or Unix machine, and the salt.utils.cloud.deploy_script() will be called.

Both of these functions will wait for the target machine to become available, then the necessary port to log in, then a successful login that can be used to install Salt. Minion configuration and keys will then be uploaded to a temporary directory on the target by the appropriate function. On a Windows target, the Windows Minion Installer will be run in silent mode. On a Linux/Unix target, a deploy script (bootstrap-salt.sh, by default) will be run, which will autodetect the operating system, and install Salt using its native package manager. These do not need to be handled by the developer in the cloud module.

After the appropriate deploy function completes, a final event is fired which describes the virtual machine that has just been created. This event is tagged salt/cloud/<vm name>/created. The payload contains the names of the VM, profile and provider.

Finally, a dict (queried from the provider) which describes the new virtual machine is returned to the user. Because this data is not fired on the event bus it can, and should, return any passwords that were returned by the cloud provider. In some cases (for example, Rackspace), this is the only time that the password can be queried by the user; post-creation queries may not contain password information (depending upon the provider).

The libcloudfuncs Functions

A number of other functions are required for all cloud providers. However, with libcloud-based modules, these are all provided for free by the libcloudfuncs library. The following two lines set up the imports:

```
from salt.cloud.libcloudfuncs import * # pylint: disable=W0614,W0401
from salt.utils import namespaced_function
```

And then a series of declarations will make the necessary functions available within the cloud module.

```
get_size = namespaced_function(get_size, globals())
get_image = namespaced_function(get_image, globals())
avail_locations = namespaced_function(avail_locations, globals())
avail_images = namespaced_function(avail_images, globals())
```

```
avail_sizes = namespaced_function(avail_sizes, globals())
script = namespaced_function(script, globals())
destroy = namespaced_function(destroy, globals())
list_nodes = namespaced_function(list_nodes, globals())
list_nodes_full = namespaced_function(list_nodes_full, globals())
list_nodes_select = namespaced_function(list_nodes_select, globals())
show_instance = namespaced_function(show_instance, globals())
```

If necessary, these functions may be replaced by removing the appropriate declaration line, and then adding the function as normal.

These functions are required for all cloud modules, and are described in detail in the next section.

Non-Libcloud Based Modules

In some cases, using libcloud is not an option. This may be because libcloud has not yet included the necessary driver itself, or it may be that the driver that is included with libcloud does not contain all of the necessary features required by the developer. When this is the case, some or all of the functions in libcloudfuncs may be replaced. If they are all replaced, the libcloud imports should be absent from the Salt Cloud module.

A good example of a non-libcloud provider is the Digital Ocean module:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/tree/develop/salt/cloud/clouds/digital_ocean.py

The create() Function

The create () function must be created as described in the libcloud-based module documentation.

The get_size() Function

This function is only necessary for libcloud-based modules, and does not need to exist otherwise.

The get_image() Function

This function is only necessary for libcloud-based modules, and does not need to exist otherwise.

The avail locations() Function

This function returns a list of locations available, if the cloud provider uses multiple data centers. It is not necessary if the cloud provider only uses one data center. It is normally called using the --list-locations option.

```
salt-cloud --list-locations my-cloud-provider
```

The avail images() Function

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This function returns a list of images available for this cloud provider. There are not currently any known cloud providers that do not provide this functionality, though they may refer to images by a different name (for example, "templates"). It is normally called using the --list-images option.

```
salt-cloud --list-images my-cloud-provider
```

The avail sizes() Function

This function returns a list of sizes available for this cloud provider. Generally, this refers to a combination of RAM, CPU and/or disk space. This functionality may not be present on some cloud providers. For example, the Parallels module breaks down RAM, CPU and disk space into separate options, whereas in other providers, these options are baked into the image. It is normally called using the --list-sizes option.

```
salt-cloud --list-sizes my-cloud-provider
```

The script() Function

This function builds the deploy script to be used on the remote machine. It is likely to be moved into the salt.utils.cloud library in the near future, as it is very generic and can usually be copied wholesale from another module. An excellent example is in the Azure driver.

The destroy() Function

This function irreversably destroys a virtual machine on the cloud provider. Before doing so, it should fire an event on the Salt event bus. The tag for this event is salt/cloud/<vm name>/destroying. Once the virtual machine has been destroyed, another event is fired. The tag for that event is salt/cloud/<vm name>/destroyed.

This function is normally called with the -d options:

```
salt-cloud -d myinstance
```

The list nodes() Function

This function returns a list of nodes available on this cloud provider, using the following fields:

- id (str)
- image (str)
- size (str)
- state (str)
- private_ips (list)
- public_ips (list)

No other fields should be returned in this function, and all of these fields should be returned, even if empty. The private_ips and public_ips fields should always be of a list type, even if empty, and the other fields should always be of a str type. This function is normally called with the -Q option:

```
salt-cloud -Q
```

The list_nodes_full() Function

All information available about all nodes should be returned in this function. The fields in the list_nodes() function should also be returned, even if they would not normally be provided by the cloud provider. This is because some functions both within Salt and 3rd party will break if an expected field is not present. This function is normally called with the -F option:

```
salt-cloud -F
```

The list_nodes_select() Function

This function returns only the fields specified in the query.selection option in /etc/salt/cloud. Because this function is so generic, all of the heavy lifting has been moved into the salt.utils.cloud library.

A function to call list_nodes_select() still needs to be present. In general, the following code can be used as-is:

However, depending on the cloud provider, additional variables may be required. For instance, some modules use a conn object, or may need to pass other options into list_nodes_full(). In this case, be sure to update the function appropriately:

This function is normally called with the -S option:

```
salt-cloud -S
```

The show instance() Function

This function is used to display all of the information about a single node that is available from the cloud provider. The simplest way to provide this is usually to call <code>list_nodes_full()</code>, and return just the data for the requested node. It is normally called as an action:

```
salt-cloud -a show_instance myinstance
```

Actions and Functions

Extra functionality may be added to a cloud provider in the form of an --action or a --function. Actions are performed against a cloud instance/virtual machine, and functions are performed against a cloud provider.

Actions

Actions are calls that are performed against a specific instance or virtual machine. The show_instance action should be available in all cloud modules. Actions are normally called with the -a option:

```
salt-cloud -a show_instance myinstance
```

Actions must accept a name as a first argument, may optionally support any number of kwargs as appropriate, and must accept an argument of call, with a default of None.

Before performing any other work, an action should normally verify that it has been called correctly. It may then perform the desired feature, and return useful information to the user. A basic action looks like:

Please note that generic kwargs, if used, are passed through to actions as kwargs and not **kwargs. An example of this is seen in the Functions section.

Functions

Functions are called that are performed against a specific cloud provider. An optional function that is often useful is show_image, which describes an image in detail. Functions are normally called with the -f option:

```
salt-cloud -f show_image my-cloud-provider image='Ubuntu 13.10 64-bit'
```

A function may accept any number of kwargs as appropriate, and must accept an argument of call with a default of None.

Before performing any other work, a function should normally verify that it has been called correctly. It may then perform the desired feature, and return useful information to the user. A basic function looks like:

Take note that generic kwargs are passed through to functions as kwargs and not **kwargs.

14.7.2 OS Support for Cloud VMs

Salt Cloud works primarily by executing a script on the virtual machines as soon as they become available. The script that is executed is referenced in the cloud profile as the script. In older versions, this was the os argument. This was changed in 0.8.2.

A number of legacy scripts exist in the deploy directory in the saltcloud source tree. The preferred method is currently to use the salt-bootstrap script. A stable version is included with each release tarball starting with 0.8.4. The most updated version can be found at:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt-bootstrap

If you do not specify a script argument, this script will be used at the default.

If the Salt Bootstrap script does not meet your needs, you may write your own. The script should be written in bash and is a Jinja template. Deploy scripts need to execute a number of functions to do a complete salt setup. These functions include:

- 1. Install the salt minion. If this can be done via system packages this method is HIGHLY preferred.
- 2. Add the salt minion keys before the minion is started for the first time. The minion keys are available as strings that can be copied into place in the Jinja template under the dict named "vm".
- 3. Start the salt-minion daemon and enable it at startup time.
- 4. Set up the minion configuration file from the "minion" data available in the Jinja template.

A good, well commented, example of this process is the Fedora deployment script:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt-cloud/blob/master/saltcloud/deploy/Fedora.sh

A number of legacy deploy scripts are included with the release tarball. None of them are as functional or complete as Salt Bootstrap, and are still included for academic purposes.

Other Generic Deploy Scripts

If you want to be assured of always using the latest Salt Bootstrap script, there are a few generic templates available in the deploy directory of your saltcloud source tree:

```
curl-bootstrap
curl-bootstrap-git
python-bootstrap
wget-bootstrap
wget-bootstrap-git
```

These are example scripts which were designed to be customized, adapted, and refit to meet your needs. One important use of them is to pass options to the salt-bootstrap script, such as updating to specific git tags.

Post-Deploy Commands

Once a minion has been deployed, it has the option to run a salt command. Normally, this would be the state.highstate command, which would finish provisioning the VM. Another common option is state.sls, or for just testing, test.ping. This is configured in the main cloud config file:

```
start_action: state.highstate
```

This is currently considered to be experimental functionality, and may not work well with all providers. If you experience problems with Salt Cloud hanging after Salt is deployed, consider using Startup States instead:

http://docs.saltstack.com/ref/states/startup.html

Skipping the Deploy Script

For whatever reason, you may want to skip the deploy script altogether. This results in a VM being spun up much faster, with absolutely no configuration. This can be set from the command line:

```
salt-cloud --no-deploy -p micro_aws my_instance
```

Or it can be set from the main cloud config file:

```
deploy: False
```

Or it can be set from the provider's configuration:

```
RACKSPACE.user: example_user
RACKSPACE.apikey: 123984bjjas87034
RACKSPACE.deploy: False
```

Or even on the VM's profile settings:

```
ubuntu_aws:
   provider: aws
   image: ami-7e2da54e
   size: Micro Instance
   deploy: False
```

The default for deploy is True.

In the profile, you may also set the script option to None:

```
script: None
```

This is the slowest option, since it still uploads the None deploy script and executes it.

Updating Salt Bootstrap

Salt Bootstrap can be updated automatically with salt-cloud:

```
salt-cloud -u
salt-cloud --update-bootstrap
```

Bear in mind that this updates to the latest (unstable) version, so use with caution.

Keeping /tmp/ Files

When Salt Cloud deploys an instance, it uploads temporary files to /tmp/ for salt-bootstrap to put in place. After the script has run, they are deleted. To keep these files around (mostly for debugging purposes), the –keep-tmp option can be added:

```
salt-cloud -p myprofile mymachine --keep-tmp
```

For those wondering why /tmp/ was used instead of /root/, this had to be done for images which require the use of sudo, and therefore do not allow remote root logins, even for file transfers (which makes /root/ unavailable).

Deploy Script Arguments

Custom deploy scripts are unlikely to need custom arguments to be passed to them, but salt-bootstrap has been extended quite a bit, and this may be necessary. script_args can be specified in either the profile or the map file, to pass arguments to the deploy script:

```
aws-amazon:
    provider: aws
    image: ami-1624987f
    size: Micro Instance
    ssh_username: ec2-user
    script: bootstrap-salt
    script_args: -c /tmp/
```

This has also been tested to work with pipes, if needed:

```
script_args: | head
```

14.8 Using Salt Cloud from Salt

14.8.1 Using the Salt Modules for Cloud

In addition to the salt-cloud command, Salt Cloud can be called from Salt, in a variety of different ways. Most users will be interested in either the execution module or the state module, but it is also possible to call Salt Cloud as a runner.

Because the actual work will be performed on a remote minion, the normal Salt Cloud configuration must exist on any target minion that needs to execute a Salt Cloud command. Because Salt Cloud now supports breaking out configuration into individual files, the configuration is easily managed using Salt's own file.managed state function. For example, the following directories allow this configuration to be managed easily:

```
/etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/
/etc/salt/cloud.profiles.d/
```

Minion Keys

Keep in mind that when creating minions, Salt Cloud will create public and private minion keys, upload them to the minion, and place the public key on the machine that created the minion. It will *not* attempt to place any public minion keys on the master, unless the minion which was used to create the instance is also the Salt Master. This is because granting arbitrary minions access to modify keys on the master is a serious security risk, and must be avoided.

Execution Module

The cloud module is available to use from the command line. At the moment, almost every standard Salt Cloud feature is available to use. The following commands are available:

list images

This command is designed to show images that are available to be used to create an instance using Salt Cloud. In general they are used in the creation of profiles, but may also be used to create an instance directly (see below). Listing images requires a provider to be configured, and specified:

```
salt myminion cloud.list_images my-cloud-provider
```

list sizes

This command is designed to show sizes that are available to be used to create an instance using Salt Cloud. In general they are used in the creation of profiles, but may also be used to create an instance directly (see below). This command is not available for all cloud providers; see the provider-specific documentation for details. Listing sizes requires a provider to be configured, and specified:

```
salt myminion cloud.list_sizes my-cloud-provider
```

list locations

This command is designed to show locations that are available to be used to create an instance using Salt Cloud. In general they are used in the creation of profiles, but may also be used to create an instance directly (see below). This command is not available for all cloud providers; see the provider-specific documentation for details. Listing locations requires a provider to be configured, and specified:

```
salt myminion cloud.list_locations my-cloud-provider
```

query

This command is used to query all configured cloud providers, and display all instances associated with those accounts. By default, it will run a standard query, returning the following fields:

id The name or ID of the instance, as used by the cloud provider.

image The disk image that was used to create this instance.

private_ips Any public IP addresses currently assigned to this instance.

public_ips Any private IP addresses currently assigned to this instance.

size The size of the instance; can refer to RAM, CPU(s), disk space, etc., depending on the cloud provider.

state The running state of the instance; for example, running, stopped, pending, etc. This state is dependent upon the provider.

This command may also be used to perform a full query or a select query, as described below. The following usages are available:

```
salt myminion cloud.query
salt myminion cloud.query list_nodes
salt myminion cloud.query list_nodes_full
```

full query

This command behaves like the query command, but lists all information concerning each instance as provided by the cloud provider, in addition to the fields returned by the query command.

```
salt myminion cloud.full_query
```

select_query

This command behaves like the query command, but only returned select fields as defined in the /etc/salt/cloud configuration file. A sample configuration for this section of the file might look like:

```
query.selection:
   - id
   - key_name
```

This configuration would only return the id and key_name fields, for those cloud providers that support those two fields. This would be called using the following command:

```
salt myminion cloud.select_query
```

profile

This command is used to create an instance using a profile that is configured on the target minion. Please note that the profile must be configured before this command can be used with it.

```
salt myminion cloud.profile ec2-centos64-x64 my-new-instance
```

Please note that the execution module does *not* run in parallel mode. Using multiple minions to create instances can effectively perform parallel instance creation.

create

This command is similar to the profile command, in that it is used to create a new instance. However, it does not require a profile to be pre-configured. Instead, all of the options that are normally configured in a profile are passed directly to Salt Cloud to create the instance:

```
salt myminion cloud.create my-ec2-config my-new-instance \
    image=ami-1624987f size='Micro Instance' ssh_username=ec2-user \
    securitygroup=default delvol_on_destroy=True
```

Please note that the execution module does *not* run in parallel mode. Using multiple minions to create instances can effectively perform parallel instance creation.

destroy

This command is used to destroy an instance or instances. This command will search all configured providers and remove any instance(s) which matches the name(s) passed in here. The results of this command are *non-reversable* and should be used with caution.

```
salt myminion cloud.destroy myinstance
salt myminion cloud.destroy myinstance1, myinstance2
```

action

This command implements both the action and the function commands used in the standard salt-cloud command. If one of the standard action commands is used, an instance name must be provided. If one of the standard function commands is used, a provider configuration must be named.

```
salt myminion cloud.action start instance=myinstance
salt myminion cloud.action show_image provider=my-ec2-config \
   image=ami-1624987f
```

The actions available are largely dependent upon the module for the specific cloud provider. The following actions are available for all cloud providers:

- **list_nodes** This is a direct call to the query function as described above, but is only performed against a single cloud provider. A provider configuration must be included.
- **list_nodes_select** This is a direct call to the full_query function as described above, but is only performed against a single cloud provider. A provider configuration must be included.
- **list_nodes_select** This is a direct call to the select_query function as described above, but is only performed against a single cloud provider. A provider configuration must be included.
- **show_instance** This is a thin wrapper around list_nodes, which returns the full information about a single instance. An instance name must be provided.

State Module

A subset of the execution module is available through the cloud state module. Not all functions are currently included, because there is currently insufficient code for them to perform statefully. For example, a command to create an istance may be issued with a series of options, but those options cannot currently be statefully managed. Additional states to manage these options will be released at a later time.

cloud.present

This state will ensure that an instance is present inside a particular cloud provider. Any option that is normally specified in the cloud.create execution module and function may be declared here, but only the actual presence of the instance will be managed statefully.

```
my-instance-name:
    cloud.present:
        - provider: my-ec2-config
        - image: ami-1624987f
        - size: 'Micro Instance'
        - ssh_username: ec2-user
        - securitygroup: default
        - delvol_on_destroy: True
```

cloud.profile

This state will ensure that an instance is present inside a particular cloud provider. This function calls the cloud.profile execution module and function, but as with cloud.present, only the actual presence of the instance will be managed statefully.

```
my-instance-name:
   cloud.present:
   - profile ec2-centos64-x64
```

cloud.absent

This state will ensure that an instance (identified by name) does not exist in any of the cloud providers configured on the target minion. Please note that this state is *non-reversable* and may be considered especially destructive when issued as a cloud state.

```
my-instance-name:
    cloud.absent
```

Runner Module

The cloud runner module is executed on the master, and performs actions using the configuration and Salt modules on the master itself. This means that any public minion keys will also be properly accepted by the master.

Using the functions in the runner module is no different than using those in the execution module, outside of the behavior described in the above paragraph. The following functions are available inside the runner:

- list_images
- list_sizes
- list_locations
- query
- full_query
- · select_query
- · profile
- · destroy
- · action

Outside of the standard usage of salt-run itself, commands are executed as usual:

```
salt-run cloud.profile ec2-centos64-x86_64 my-instance-name
```

CloudClient

The execution, state and runner modules ultimately all use the CloudClient library that ships with Salt. To use the CloudClient library locally (either on the master or a minion), create a client object and issue a command against it:

```
import salt.cloud
import pprint
client = salt.cloud.CloudClient('/etc/salt/cloud')
nodes = client.query()
pprint.pprint(nodes)
```

14.9 Feature Comparison

14.9.1 Feature Matrix

A number of features are available in most cloud providers, but not all are available everywhere. This may be because the feature isn't supported by the cloud provider itself, or it may only be that the feature has not yet been added to Salt Cloud. In a handful of cases, it is because the feature does not make sense for a particular cloud provider (Saltify, for instance).

This matrix shows which features are available in which cloud providers, as far as Salt Cloud is concerned. This is not a comprehensive list of all features available in all cloud providers, and shoult not be used to make business decisions concerning choosing a cloud provider. In most cases, adding support for a feature to Salt Cloud requires only a little effort.

Legacy Drivers

Both AWS and Rackspace are listed as "Legacy". This is because those drivers have been replaced by other drivers, which are generally the prerferred method for working with those providers.

The EC2 driver should be used instead of the AWS driver, when possible. The OpenStack driver should be used instead of the Rackspace driver, unless the user is dealing with instances in "the old cloud" in Rackspace.

Note for Developers

When adding new features to a particular cloud provider, please make sure to add the feature to this table. Additionally, if you notice a feature that is not properly listed here, pull requests to fix them is appreciated.

Standard Features

These are features that are available for almost every provider.

	AWS	Cloud-	Digi-	EC2	2 GoG	ri d oyE	nttin-	Open-	Par-	Rackspac	e Salti	fySoft-	Soft-
	(Legacy)Stack	tal			,	ode	Stack	al-	(Legacy)		layer	layer
		,	Ocean						lels	, ,		_	Hard-
													ware
Query	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
Full	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
Query													
Selec-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
tive													
Query													
List	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
Sizes													
List	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
Im-													
ages													
List	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
Loca-													
tions													
create	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
de-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
stroy													

Actions

These are features that are performed on a specific instance, and require an instance name to be passed in. For example:

```
# salt-cloud -a attach_volume ami.example.com
```

Actions	AWS	Cloud	Digi-	EC2	2 GoG	ridoyE	rltin-	Open-	Par-	Rackspac	eSalt	ifySoft-	Soft-
	(Legac	y)Stack	tal				ode	Stack	al-	(Legacy)		layer	layer
			Ocean						lels				Hard-
													ware
at-				Yes									
tach_volum	ie												
cre-	Yes			Yes									
ate_attach_	volumes												
del_tags	Yes			Yes									
delvol_on_	destroy			Yes									
de-				Yes									
tach_volum	ie												
dis-	Yes			Yes									
able_term_	protect												
en-	Yes			Yes									
able_term_	protect												
get_tags	Yes			Yes									
keep-				Yes									
vol_on_des													
list_keypaiı	1		Yes										
rename	Yes			Yes									
set_tags	Yes			Yes									
show_delvo		troy		Yes									
show_insta			Yes	Yes					Yes			Yes	Yes
show_term				Yes									
start	Yes			Yes		Yes			Yes				
stop	Yes			Yes		Yes			Yes				
take_action						Yes							

Functions

These are features that are performed against a specific cloud provider, and require the name of the provider to be passed in. For example:

salt-cloud -f list_images my_digitalocean

unctions	AWS (Legacy)	CloudStack	Digital Ocean	EC2	GoGrid	JoyEnt	Linode	OpenSt
lock_device_mappings	Yes							
reate_keypair				Yes				
reate_volume				Yes				
elete_key						Yes		
elete_keypair				Yes				
elete_volume				Yes				
et_image			Yes			Yes		
et_ip		Yes						
et_key		Yes						
et_keyid			Yes					
et_keypair		Yes						
et_networkid		Yes						
et_node						Yes		
et_password		Yes						
et_size			Yes			Yes		
et_spot_config				Yes				
	lock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_keypair elete_volume et_image et_ip et_key et_keyid et_keypair et_networkid et_node et_password et_size et_spot_config	lock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_keypair elete_volume et_image et_ip et_key et_keyid et_keypair et_networkid et_node et_password et_size	llock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_keypair elete_volume et_image et_ip et_key et_key et_keyid et_keypair et_networkid et_node et_password et_size	lock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_keypair elete_volume et_image et_ip et_key et_key et_keyid et_keypair et_networkid et_node et_password et_size Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Y	llock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_key elete_keyolume et_image et_ip et_key et_key et_keyid et_keypair et_networkid et_node et_password et_size Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Y	llock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_key elete_keyoume et_image et_ip et_key et_keyid et_keypair et_networkid et_node et_password et_size Ves	llock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_ke	lock_device_mappings reate_keypair reate_volume elete_key elete_key elete_keypair et_image et_image et_keyid et_keyid et_node et_password et_size lock_device_mappings

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Functions	AWS (Legacy)	CloudStack	Digital Ocean	EC2	GoGrid	JoyEnt	Linode	OpenSt
get_subnetid				Yes				
iam_profile	Yes			Yes				
import_key						Yes		
key_list						Yes		
keyname	Yes			Yes				
list_availability_zones				Yes				
list_custom_images								
list_keys						Yes		
list_vlans								
rackconnect								Yes
reboot				Yes		Yes		
reformat_node						Yes		
securitygroup	Yes			Yes				
securitygroupid				Yes				
show_image				Yes				
show_key						Yes		
show_keypair			Yes	Yes				
show_volume				Yes				

Salt Virt

The Salt Virt cloud controller capability was initial added to Salt in version 0.14.0 as an alpha technology.

The initial Salt Virt system supports core cloud operations:

- · Virtual machine deployment
- · Inspection of deployed VMs
- Virtual machine migration
- · Network profiling
- · Automatic VM integration with all aspects of Salt
- · Image Pre-seeding

Many features are currently under development to enhance the capabilities of the Salt Virt systems.

Note: It is noteworthy that Salt was originally developed with the intent of using the Salt communication system as the backbone to a cloud controller. This means that the Salt Virt system is not an afterthought, simply a system that took the back seat to other development. The original attempt to develop the cloud control aspects of Salt was a project called butter. This project never took off, but was functional and proves the early viability of Salt to be a cloud controller.

15.1 Salt Virt Tutorial

A tutorial about how to get Salt Virt up and running has been added to the tutorial section:

Cloud Controller Tutorial

15.2 The Salt Virt Runner

The point of interaction with the cloud controller is the **virt** runner. The **virt** runner comes with routines to execute specific virtual machine routines.

Reference documentation for the virt runner is available with the runner module documentation:

Virt Runner Reference

15.3 Based on Live State Data

The Salt Virt system is based on using Salt to query live data about hypervisors and then using the data gathered to make decisions about cloud operations. This means that no external resources are required to run Salt Virt, and that the information gathered about the cloud is live and accurate.

15.4 Deploy from Network or Disk

15.4.1 Virtual Machine Disk Profiles

Salt Virt allows for the disks created for deployed virtual machines to be finely configured. The configuration is a simple data structure which is read from the config.option function, meaning that the configuration can be stored in the minion config file, the master config file, or the minion's pillar.

This configuration option is called virt.disk. The default virt.disk data structure looks like this:

```
virt.disk:
   default:
      - system:
        size: 8192
      format: qcow2
      model: virtio
```

Note: The format and model does not need to be defined, Salt will default to the optimal format used by the underlying hypervisor, in the case of kvm this it is **qcow2** and **virtio**.

This configuration sets up a disk profile called default. The default profile creates a single system disk on the virtual machine.

Define More Profiles

Many environments will require more complex disk profiles and may require more than one profile, this can be easily accomplished:

```
virt.disk:
    default:
        - system:
            size: 8192
    database:
        - system:
            size: 8192
    - data:
            size: 30720
    web:
        - system:
            size: 1024
        - logs:
            size: 5120
```

This configuration allows for one of three profiles to be selected, allowing virtual machines to be created with different storage needs of the deployed vm.

15.4.2 Virtual Machine Network Profiles

Salt Virt allows for the network devices created for deployed virtual machines to be finely configured. The configuration is a simple data structure which is read from the config.option function, meaning that the configuration can be stored in the minion config file, the master config file, or the minion's pillar.

This configuration option is called virt.nic. By default the virt.nic option is empty but defaults to a data structure which looks like this:

```
virt.nic:
  default:
    eth0:
       bridge: br0
       model: virtio
```

Note: The model does not need to be defined, Salt will default to the optimal model used by the underlying hypervisor, in the case of kym this model is **virtio**

This configuration sets up a network profile called default. The default profile creates a single Ethernet device on the virtual machine that is bridged to the hypervisor's **br0** interface. This default setup does not require setting up the virt.nic configuration, and is the reason why a default install only requires setting up the **br0** bridge device on the hypervisor.

Define More Profiles

Many environments will require more complex network profiles and may require more than one profile, this can be easily accomplished:

```
virt.nic:
  dual:
    eth0:
      bridge: service_br
    eth1:
      bridge: storage_br
  single:
    eth0:
      bridge: service_br
  triple:
    eth0:
      bridge: service_br
    eth1:
      bridge: storage_br
    eth2:
      bridge: dmz_br
  all:
    eth0:
      bridge: service_br
      bridge: storage_br
    eth2:
      bridge: dmz_br
    eth3:
      bridge: database_br
  dmz:
      bridge: service_br
    eth1:
```

```
bridge: dmz_br
database:
  eth0:
    bridge: service_br
  eth1:
    bridge: database_br
```

This configuration allows for one of six profiles to be selected, allowing virtual machines to be created which attach to different network depending on the needs of the deployed vm.

Understanding YAML

The default renderer for SLS files is the YAML renderer. YAML is a markup language with many powerful features. However, Salt uses a small subset of YAML that maps over very commonly used data stuctures, like lists and dictionaries. It is the job of the YAML renderer to take the YAML data structure and compile it into a Python data structure for use by Salt.

Though YAML syntax may seem daunting and terse at first, there are only three very simple rules to remember when writing YAML for SLS files.

16.1 Rule One: Indentation

YAML uses a fixed indentation scheme to represent relationships between data layers. Salt requires that the indentation for each level consists of exactly two spaces. Do not use tabs.

16.2 Rule Two: Colons

Python dictionaries are, of course, simply key-value pairs. Users from other languages may recognize this data type as hashes or associative arrays.

Dictionary keys are represented in YAML as strings terminated by a trailing colon. Values are represented by either a string following the colon, separated by a space:

```
my_key: my_value
```

In Python, the above maps to:

```
{'my_key': 'my_value'}
```

Alternatively, a value can be associated with a key through indentation.

```
my_key:
   my_value
```

Note: The above syntax is valid YAML but is uncommon in SLS files because most often, the value for a key is not singular but instead is a *list* of values.

In Python, the above maps to:

```
{'my_key': 'my_value'}

Dictionaries can be nested:

first_level_dict_key:
    second_level_dict_key: value_in_second_level_dict

And in Python:

{
    'first_level_dict_key': {
        'second_level_dict_key': 'value_in_second_level_dict'
    }
}
```

16.3 Rule Three: Dashes

To represent lists of items, a single dash followed by a space is used. Multiple items are a part of the same list as a function of their having the same level of indentation.

```
- list_value_one
- list_value_two
- list_value_three
```

Lists can be the value of a key-value pair. This is quite common in Salt:

```
my_dictionary:
    - list_value_one
    - list_value_two
    - list_value_three
```

Master Tops System

In 0.10.4 the *external_nodes* system was upgraded to allow for modular subsystems to be used to generate the top file data for a highstate run on the master.

The old *external_nodes* option still works, but will be removed in the future in favor of the new *master_tops* option which uses the modular system instead. The master tops system contains a number of subsystems that are loaded via the Salt loader interfaces like modules, states, returners, runners, etc.

Using the new *master_tops* option is simple:

```
master_tops:
    ext_nodes: cobbler-external-nodes

for Cobbler or:

master_tops:
    reclass:
    inventory_base_uri: /etc/reclass
    classes_uri: roles
```

for Reclass.

Salt SSH

Note: SALT-SSH IS ALPHA SOFTWARE AND MAY NOT BE READY FOR PRODUCTION USE

Note: On many systems, salt-ssh will be in its own package, usually named salt-ssh.

In version 0.17.0 of Salt a new transport system was introduced, the ability to use SSH for Salt communication. This addition allows for Salt routines to be executed on remote systems entirely through ssh, bypassing the need for a Salt Minion to be running on the remote systems and the need for a Salt Master.

Note: The Salt SSH system does not supercede the standard Salt communication systems, it simply offers an SSH based alternative that does not require ZeroMQ and a remote agent. Be aware that since all communication with Salt SSH is executed via SSH it is substantially slower than standard Salt with ZeroMQ.

Salt SSH is very easy to use, simply set up a basic *roster* file of the systems to connect to and run salt-ssh commands in a similar way as standard salt commands.

Note: The Salt SSH eventually is supposed to support the same set of commands and functionality as standard salt command.

At the moment fileserver operations must be wrapped to ensure that the relevant files are delivered with the salt-ssh commands. The state module is an exception, which compiles the state run on the master, and in the process finds all the references to salt:// paths and copies those files down in the same tarball as the state run. However, needed fileserver wrappers are still under development.

18.1 Salt SSH Roster

The roster system in Salt allows for remote minions to be easily defined.

Note: See the *Roster documentation* for more details.

Simply create the roster file, the default location is /etc/salt/roster:

```
web1: 192.168.42.1
```

This is a very basic roster file where a Salt ID is being assigned to an IP address. A more elaborate roster can be created:

```
web1:
  host: 192.168.42.1 # The IP addr or DNS hostname
  user: fred  # Remote executions will be executed as user fred
  passwd: foobarbaz # The password to use for login, if omitted, keys are used
  sudo: True  # Whether to sudo to root, not enabled by default
web2:
  host: 192.168.42.2
```

18.2 Calling Salt SSH

The salt-ssh command can be easily executed in the same was as a salt command:

```
salt-ssh '*' test.ping
```

Commands with salt-ssh follow the same syntax as the salt command.

The standard salt functions are available! The output is the same as salt and many of the same flags are available. Please see http://docs.saltstack.com/ref/cli/salt-ssh.html for all of the available options.

18.2.1 Raw Shell Calls

By default salt-ssh runs Salt execution modules on the remote system, but salt-ssh can also execute raw shell commands:

```
salt-ssh '*' -r 'ifconfig'
```

18.3 States Via Salt SSH

The Salt State system can also be used with salt-ssh. The state system abstracts the same interface to the user in salt-ssh as it does when using standard salt. The intent is that Salt Formulas defined for standard salt will work seamlessly with salt-ssh and vice-versa.

The standard Salt States walkthroughs function by simply replacing salt commands with salt-ssh.

18.4 Targeting with Salt SSH

Due to the fact that the targeting approach differs in salt-ssh, only glob and regex targets are supported as of this writing, the remaining target systems still need to be implemented.

18.5 Configuring Salt SSH

Salt SSH takes its configuration from a master configuration file. Normally, this file is in /etc/salt/master. If one wishes to use a customized configuration file, the -c option to Salt SSH facilitates passing in a directory to look inside for a configuration file named master.

18.6 Running Salt SSH as non-root user

By default, Salt read all the configuration from /etc/salt/. If you are running Salt SSH with a regular user you have to modify some paths or you will get "Permission denied" messages. You have to modify two parameters: pki_dir and cachedir. Those should point to a full path writable for the user.

It's recommed not to modify /etc/salt for this purpose. Create a private copy of /etc/salt for the user and run the command with -c /new/config/path.

Salt Rosters

Salt rosters are plugable systems added in Salt 0.17.0 to facilitate the salt-ssh system. The roster system was created because salt-ssh needs a means to identify which systems need to be targeted for execution.

Note: The Roster System is not needed or used in standard Salt because the master does not need to be initially aware of target systems, since the Salt Minion checks itself into the master.

Since the roster system is pluggable, it can be easily augmented to attach to any existing systems to gather information about what servers are presently available and should be attached to by salt-ssh. By default the roster file is located at /etc/salt/roster.

19.1 How Rosters Work

The roster system compiles a data structure internally referred to as *targets*. The *targets* is a list of target systems and attributes about how to connect to said systems. The only requirement for a roster module in Salt is to return the *targets* data structure.

19.1.1 Targets Data

The information which can be stored in a roster target is the following:

```
<Salt ID>:  # The id to reference the target system with
host:  # The IP address or DNS name of the remote host
user:  # The user to log in as
passwd:  # The password to log in with

# Optional parameters
port:  # The target system's ssh port number
sudo:  # Boolean to run command via sudo
priv:  # File path to ssh private key, defaults to salt-ssh.rsa
timeout:  # Number of seconds to wait for response
```

Reference

20.1 Full list of builtin auth modules

auto	An "Always Approved" eauth interface to test against, not intended for
keystone	Provide authentication using OpenStack Keystone
ldap	Provide authentication using simple LDAP binds
pam	Authenticate against PAM
stormpath_mod	Salt Stormpath Authentication

20.1.1 salt.auth.auto

An "Always Approved" eauth interface to test against, not intended for production use

```
salt.auth.auto.auth(username, password)
Authenticate!
```

20.1.2 salt.auth.keystone

Provide authentication using OpenStack Keystone

depends

• keystoneclient Python module

```
salt.auth.keystone.auth(username, password)
    Try and authenticate
salt.auth.keystone.get_auth_url()
    Try and get the URL from the config, else return localhost
```

20.1.3 salt.auth.ldap

Provide authentication using simple LDAP binds

depends

• Idap Python module

```
salt.auth.ldap.auth (username, password)
salt.auth.ldap.groups (username, *args, **kwargs)
```

20.1.4 salt.auth.pam

Authenticate against PAM

Provides an authenticate function that will allow the caller to authenticate a user against the Pluggable Authentication Modules (PAM) on the system.

Implemented using ctypes, so no compilation is necessary.

Note: PAM authentication will not work for the root user.

The Python interface to PAM does not support authenticating as root.

Retreive groups for a given user for this auth provider

```
class salt.auth.pam.PamConv
     Wrapper class for pam_conv structure
     appdata_ptr
          Structure/Union member
     conv
          Structure/Union member
class salt.auth.pam.PamHandle
     Wrapper class for pam_handle_t
     handle
          Structure/Union member
class salt.auth.pam.PamMessage
     Wrapper class for pam_message structure
     msq
          Structure/Union member
     msg style
          Structure/Union member
class salt.auth.pam.PamResponse
     Wrapper class for pam response structure
     resp
          Structure/Union member
     resp_retcode
          Structure/Union member
salt.auth.pam.auth(username, password, **kwargs)
     Authenticate via pam
salt.auth.pam.authenticate(username, password, service='login')
     Returns True if the given username and password authenticate for the given service. Returns False otherwise
     username: the username to authenticate
     password: the password in plain text
     service: the PAM service to authenticate against. Defaults to 'login'
salt.auth.pam.groups (username, *args, **kwargs)
```

Uses system groups

20.1.5 salt.auth.stormpath_mod

Salt Stormpath Authentication

Module to provide authentication using Stormpath as the backend.

depends

· stormpath-sdk Python module

configuration This module requires the development branch of the stormpath-sdk which can be found here: https://github.com/stormpath/stormpath-sdk-python

The following config items are required in the master config:

```
stormpath.api_key_file: <path/to/apiKey.properties>
stormpath.app_url: <Rest url of your Stormpath application>
```

Ensure that your apiKey.properties is readable by the user the Salt Master is running as, but not readable by other system users.

```
salt.auth.stormpath_mod.auth(username, password)
Try and authenticate
```

20.2 Command Line Reference

Salt can be controlled by a command line client by the root user on the Salt master. The Salt command line client uses the Salt client API to communicate with the Salt master server. The Salt client is straightforward and simple to use.

Using the Salt client commands can be easily sent to the minions.

Each of these commands accepts an explicit —*config* option to point to either the master or minion configuration file. If this option is not provided and the default configuration file does not exist then Salt falls back to use the environment variables SALT_MASTER_CONFIG and SALT_MINION_CONFIG.

See also:

Configuration

20.2.1 Using the Salt Command

The Salt command needs a few components to send information to the Salt minions. The target minions need to be defined, the function to call and any arguments the function requires.

Defining the Target Minions

The first argument passed to salt, defines the target minions, the target minions are accessed via their hostname. The default target type is a bash glob:

```
salt '*foo.com' sys.doc
```

Salt can also define the target minions with regular expressions:

```
salt -E '.*' cmd.run 'ls -l | grep foo'
```

Or to explicitly list hosts, salt can take a list:

```
salt -L foo.bar.baz,quo.qux cmd.run 'ps aux | grep foo'
```

More Powerful Targets

The simple target specifications, glob, regex and list will cover many use cases, and for some will cover all use cases, but more powerful options exist.

Targeting with Grains

The Grains interface was built into Salt to allow minions to be targeted by system properties. So minions running on a particular operating system can be called to execute a function, or a specific kernel.

Calling via a grain is done by passing the -G option to salt, specifying a grain and a glob expression to match the value of the grain. The syntax for the target is the grain key followed by a globexpression: "os:Arch*".

```
salt -G 'os:Fedora' test.ping
```

Will return True from all of the minions running Fedora.

To discover what grains are available and what the values are, execute the grains item salt function:

```
salt '*' grains.items
```

Targeting with Executions

As of 0.8.8 targeting with executions is still under heavy development and this documentation is written to reference the behavior of execution matching in the future.

Execution matching allows for a primary function to be executed, and then based on the return of the primary function the main function is executed.

Execution matching allows for matching minions based on any arbitrary running data on the minions.

Compound Targeting

New in version 0.9.5.

Multiple target interfaces can be used in conjunction to determine the command targets. These targets can then be combined using and or or statements. This is well defined with an example:

```
salt -C 'G@os:Debian and webser* or E@db.*' test.ping
```

In this example any minion who's id starts with webser and is running Debian, or any minion who's id starts with db will be matched.

The type of matcher defaults to glob, but can be specified with the corresponding letter followed by the @ symbol. In the above example a grain is used with G@ as well as a regular expression with E@. The webser* target does not need to be prefaced with a target type specifier because it is a glob.

Node Group Targeting

New in version 0.9.5.

Often the convenience of having a predefined group of minions to execute targets on is desired. This can be accomplished with the new nodegroups feature. Nodegroups allow for predefined compound targets to be declared in the master configuration file:

```
nodegroups:
    group1: 'L@foo.domain.com,bar.domain.com,baz.domain.com and bl*.domain.com'
    group2: 'G@os:Debian and foo.domain.com'
```

Calling the Function

The function to call on the specified target is placed after the target specification.

New in version 0.9.8.

Functions may also accept arguments, space-delimited:

```
salt '*' cmd.exec_code python 'import sys; print sys.version'
```

Optional, keyword arguments are also supported:

```
salt '*' pip.install salt timeout=5 upgrade=True
```

They are always in the form of kwarg=argument.

Arguments are formatted as YAML:

```
salt '*' cmd.run 'echo "Hello: $FIRST_NAME"' env='{FIRST_NAME: "Joe"}'
```

Note: dictionaries must have curly braces around them (like the env keyword argument above). This was changed in 0.15.1: in the above example, the first argument used to be parsed as the dictionary {'echo "Hello': '\$FIRST_NAME"'}. This was generally not the expected behavior.

If you want to test what parameters are actually passed to a module, use the test.arg_repr command:

```
salt '*' test.arg_repr 'echo "Hello: $FIRST_NAME"' env='{FIRST_NAME: "Joe"}'
```

Finding available minion functions

The Salt functions are self documenting, all of the function documentation can be retried from the minions via the sys.doc() function:

```
salt '*' sys.doc
```

Compound Command Execution

If a series of commands needs to be sent to a single target specification then the commands can be sent in a single publish. This can make gathering groups of information faster, and lowers the stress on the network for repeated commands.

Compound command execution works by sending a list of functions and arguments instead of sending a single function and argument. The functions are executed on the minion in the order they are defined on the command line, and then the data from all of the commands are returned in a dictionary. This means that the set of commands are called in a predictable way, and the returned data can be easily interpreted.

Executing compound commands if done by passing a comma delimited list of functions, followed by a comma delimited list of arguments:

```
salt '*' cmd.run,test.ping,test.echo 'cat /proc/cpuinfo',,foo
```

The trick to look out for here, is that if a function is being passed no arguments, then there needs to be a placeholder for the absent arguments. This is why in the above example, there are two commas right next to each other. test.ping takes no arguments, so we need to add another comma, otherwise Salt would attempt to pass "foo" to test.ping.

If you need to pass arguments that include commas, then make sure you add spaces around the commas that separate arguments. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run,test.ping,test.echo 'echo "1,2,3"' , , foo
```

You may change the arguments separator using the --args-separator option:

```
salt --args-separator=:: '*' some.fun,test.echo params with , comma :: foo
```

20.2.2 salt-call

salt-call

Synopsis

```
salt-call [options]
```

Description

The salt-call command is used to run module functions locally on a minion instead of executing them from the master.

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

```
-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir
```

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

-g, --grains

Return the information generated by the Salt grains

```
-m MODULE_DIRS, --module-dirs=MODULE_DIRS
```

Specify an additional directories to pull modules from, multiple directories can be delimited by commas

-d, --doc, --documentation

Return the documentation for the specified module or for all modules if none are specified

--master=MASTER

Specify the master to use. The minion must be authenticated with the master. If this option is omitted, the master options from the minion config will be used. If multi masters are set up the first listed master that responds will be used.

--return RETURNER

Set salt-call to pass the return data to one or many returner interfaces. To use many returner interfaces specify a comma delimited list of returners.

--local

Run salt-call locally, as if there was no master running.

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG_LEVEL, --log-level=LOG_LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: info.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/minion.

--log-file-level=LOG LEVEL LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: info.

Output Options

--out

Pass in an alternative outputter to display the return of data. This outputter can be any of the available outputters:

```
grains, highstate, json, key, overstatestage, pprint, raw, txt, yaml
```

Some outputters are formatted only for data returned from specific functions; for instance, the grains outputter will not work for non-grains data.

If an outputter is used that does not support the data passed into it, then Salt will fall back on the pprint outputter and display the return data using the Python pprint standard library module.

Note: If using <code>--out=json</code>, you will probably want <code>--static</code> as well. Without the static option, you will get a JSON string for each minion. This is due to using an iterative outputter. So if you want to feed it to a JSON parser, use <code>--static</code> as well.

--out-indent OUTPUT_INDENT, --output-indent OUTPUT_INDENT

Print the output indented by the provided value in spaces. Negative values disable indentation. Only applicable in outputters that support indentation.

--out-file=OUTPUT_FILE, --output-file=OUTPUT_FILE

Write the output to the specified file.

--no-color

Disable all colored output

--force-color

Force colored output

See also

salt(1) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)

20.2.3 salt

salt

Synopsis

```
salt '*' [ options ] sys.doc
salt -E '.*' [ options ] sys.doc cmd
salt -G 'os:Arch.*' [ options ] test.ping
salt -C 'G@os:Arch.* and webserv* or G@kernel:FreeBSD' [ options ] test.ping
```

Description

Salt allows for commands to be executed across a swath of remote systems in parallel. This means that remote systems can be both controlled and queried with ease.

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

```
-c CONFIG DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG dir
```

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

```
-t TIMEOUT, --timeout=TIMEOUT
```

The timeout in seconds to wait for replies from the Salt minions. The timeout number specifies how long the command line client will wait to query the minions and check on running jobs. Default: 5

-s, --static

By default as of version 0.9.8 the salt command returns data to the console as it is received from minions, but previous releases would return data only after all data was received. To only return the data with a hard timeout and after all minions have returned then use the static option.

--async

Instead of waiting for the job to run on minions only print the jod id of the started execution and complete.

--state-output=STATE_OUTPUT

New in version 0.17.

Override the configured state_output value for minion output. Default: full

--subset=SUBSET

Execute the routine on a random subset of the targeted minions. The minions will be verified that they have the named function before executing.

-v VERBOSE, --verbose

Turn on verbosity for the salt call, this will cause the salt command to print out extra data like the job id.

-b BATCH, --batch-size=BATCH

Instead of executing on all targeted minions at once, execute on a progressive set of minions. This option takes an argument in the form of an explicit number of minions to execute at once, or a percentage of minions to execute on.

-a EAUTH, --auth=EAUTH

Pass in an external authentication medium to validate against. The credentials will be prompted for. Can be used with the -T option.

-T, --make-token

Used in conjunction with the -a option. This creates a token that allows for the authenticated user to send commands without needing to re-authenticate.

--return=RETURNER

Chose an alternative returner to call on the minion, if an alternative returner is used then the return will not come back to the command line but will be sent to the specified return system.

-d, --doc, --documentation

Return the documentation for the module functions available on the minions

--args-separator=ARGS SEPARATOR

Set the special argument used as a delimiter between command arguments of compound commands. This is useful when one wants to pass commas as arguments to some of the commands in a compound command.

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG_LEVEL, --log-level=LOG_LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/master.

--log-file-level=LOG LEVEL LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

Target Selection

-E, --pcre

The target expression will be interpreted as a PCRE regular expression rather than a shell glob.

-L, --list

The target expression will be interpreted as a comma-delimited list; example: server1.foo.bar,server2.foo.bar,example7.quo.qux

-G, --grain

The target expression matches values returned by the Salt grains system on the minions. The target expression is in the format of '<grain value>:<glob expression>'; example: 'os:Arch*'

This was changed in version 0.9.8 to accept glob expressions instead of regular expression. To use regular expression matching with grains, use the –grain-pcre option.

--grain-pcre

The target expression matches values returned by the Salt grains system on the minions. The target expression is in the format of '<grain value>:< regular expression>'; example: 'os:Arch.*'

-N, --nodegroup

Use a predefined compound target defined in the Salt master configuration file.

-R, --range

Instead of using shell globs to evaluate the target, use a range expression to identify targets. Range expressions look like %cluster.

Using the Range option requires that a range server is set up and the location of the range server is referenced in the master configuration file.

-C, --compound

Utilize many target definitions to make the call very granular. This option takes a group of targets separated by and or or. The default matcher is a glob as usual. If something other than a glob is used, preface it with the letter denoting the type; example: 'webserv* and G@os:Debian or E@db*' Make sure that the compound target is encapsulated in quotes.

-X, --exsel

Instead of using shell globs, use the return code of a function.

-I, --pillar

Instead of using shell globs to evaluate the target, use a pillar value to identify targets. The syntax for the target is the pillar key followed by a glob expression: "role:production*"

-S, --ipcidr

Match based on Subnet (CIDR notation) or IPv4 address.

Output Options

--out

Pass in an alternative outputter to display the return of data. This outputter can be any of the available outputters:

```
grains, highstate, json, key, overstatestage, pprint, raw, txt, yaml
```

Some outputters are formatted only for data returned from specific functions; for instance, the grains outputter will not work for non-grains data.

If an outputter is used that does not support the data passed into it, then Salt will fall back on the pprint outputter and display the return data using the Python pprint standard library module.

Note: If using <code>--out=json</code>, you will probably want <code>--static</code> as well. Without the static option, you will get a JSON string for each minion. This is due to using an iterative outputter. So if you want to feed it to a JSON parser, use <code>--static</code> as well.

--out-indent OUTPUT_INDENT, --output-indent OUTPUT_INDENT

Print the output indented by the provided value in spaces. Negative values disable indentation. Only applicable in outputters that support indentation.

--out-file=OUTPUT_FILE, --output-file=OUTPUT_FILE

Write the output to the specified file.

--no-color

Disable all colored output

--force-color

Force colored output

See also

salt(7) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)

20.2.4 salt-cloud

salt-cloud

Provision virtual machines in the cloud with Salt

Synopsis

```
salt-cloud -m /etc/salt/cloud.map
salt-cloud -p PROFILE NAME
salt-cloud -p PROFILE NAME1 NAME2 NAME3 NAME4 NAME5 NAME6
```

Description

Salt Cloud is the system used to provision virtual machines on various public clouds via a cleanly controlled profile and mapping system.

Options

-h, --help

Print a usage message briefly summarizing these command-line options.

-p PROFILE, --profile=PROFILE

Select a single profile to build the named cloud VMs from. The profile must be defined in the specified profiles file.

-m MAP, --map=MAP

Specify a map file to use. If used without any other options, this option will ensure that all of the mapped VMs are created. If the named VM already exists then it will be skipped.

-H, --hard

When specifying a map file, the default behavior is to ensure that all of the VMs specified in the map file are created. If the –hard option is set, then any VMs that exist on configured cloud providers that are not specified in the map file will be destroyed. Be advised that this can be a destructive operation and should be used with care.

-d, --destroy

Pass in the name(s) of VMs to destroy, salt-cloud will search the configured cloud providers for the specified names and destroy the VMs. Be advised that this is a destructive operation and should be used with care. Can be used in conjunction with the -m option to specify a map of VMs to be deleted.

-P, --parallel

Normally when building many cloud VMs they are executed serially. The -P option will run each cloud vm build in a separate process allowing for large groups of VMs to be build at once.

Be advised that some cloud provider's systems don't seem to be well suited for this influx of vm creation. When creating large groups of VMs watch the cloud provider carefully.

-Q, --query

Execute a query and print out information about all cloud VMs. Can be used in conjunction with -m to display only information about the specified map.

-F, --full-query

Execute a query and print out all available information about all cloud VMs. Can be used in conjunction with -m to display only information about the specified map.

-S, --select-query

Execute a query and print out selected information about all cloud VMs. Can be used in conjunction with -m to display only information about the specified map.

--list-images

Display a list of images available in configured cloud providers. Pass the cloud provider that available images are desired on, aka "linode", or pass "all" to list images for all configured cloud providers.

--list-sizes

Display a list of sizes available in configured cloud providers. Pass the cloud provider that available sizes are desired on, aka "aws", or pass "all" to list sizes for all configured cloud providers

-C CLOUD_CONFIG, --cloud-config=CLOUD_CONFIG

Specify an alternative location for the salt cloud configuration file. Default location is /etc/salt/cloud.

-M MASTER_CONFIG, --master-config=MASTER_CONFIG

Specify an alternative location for the salt master configuration file. The salt master configuration file is used to determine how to handle the minion RSA keys. Default location is /etc/salt/master.

-V VM_CONFIG, --profiles=VM_CONFIG, --vm_config=VM_CONFIG

Specify an alternative location for the salt cloud profiles file. Default location is /etc/salt/cloud.profiles.

--raw-out

Print the output from the salt command in raw python form, this is suitable for re-reading the output into an executing python script with eval.

--text-out

Print the output from the salt command in the same form the shell would.

--vaml-out

Print the output from the salt command in yaml.

-- ison-out

Print the output from the salt command in json.

--no-color

Disable all colored output.

Examples

To create 4 VMs named web1, web2, db1 and db2 from specified profiles:

```
salt-cloud -p fedora_rackspace web1 web2 db1 db2
```

To read in a map file and create all VMs specified therein:

```
salt-cloud -m /path/to/cloud.map
```

To read in a map file and create all VMs specified therein in parallel:

```
salt-cloud -m /path/to/cloud.map -P
```

To delete any VMs specified in the map file:

```
salt-cloud -m /path/to/cloud.map -d
```

To delete any VMs NOT specified in the map file:

```
salt-cloud -m /path/to/cloud.map -H
```

To display the status of all VMs specified in the map file:

```
salt-cloud -m /path/to/cloud.map -Q
```

See also

```
salt-cloud(7) salt(7) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)
```

20.2.5 salt-cp

salt-cp

Copy a file to a set of systems

Synopsis

```
salt-cp '*' [ options ] SOURCE DEST
salt-cp -E '.*' [ options ] SOURCE DEST
salt-cp -G 'os:Arch.*' [ options ] SOURCE DEST
```

Description

Salt copy copies a local file out to all of the Salt minions matched by the given target.

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

```
-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir
```

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

```
-t TIMEOUT, --timeout=TIMEOUT
```

The timeout in seconds to wait for replies from the Salt minions. The timeout number specifies how long the command line client will wait to query the minions and check on running jobs. Default: 5

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG LEVEL, --log-level=LOG LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/master.

--log-file-level=LOG LEVEL LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

Target Selection

-E, --pcre

The target expression will be interpreted as a PCRE regular expression rather than a shell glob.

-L, --list

The target expression will be interpreted as a comma-delimited list; example: server1.foo.bar,server2.foo.bar,example7.quo.qux

-G, --grain

The target expression matches values returned by the Salt grains system on the minions. The target expression is in the format of '<grain value>:<glob expression>'; example: 'os:Arch*'

This was changed in version 0.9.8 to accept glob expressions instead of regular expression. To use regular expression matching with grains, use the –grain-pcre option.

--grain-pcre

The target expression matches values returned by the Salt grains system on the minions. The target expression is in the format of '<grain value>:< regular expression>'; example: 'os:Arch.*'

-N, --nodegroup

Use a predefined compound target defined in the Salt master configuration file.

-R, --range

Instead of using shell globs to evaluate the target, use a range expression to identify targets. Range expressions look like %cluster.

Using the Range option requires that a range server is set up and the location of the range server is referenced in the master configuration file.

See also

salt(1) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)

20.2.6 salt-key

salt-key

Synopsis

salt-key [options]

Description

Salt-key executes simple management of Salt server public keys used for authentication.

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

-q, --quiet

Suppress output

-y, --yes

Answer 'Yes' to all questions presented, defaults to False

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/minion.

--log-file-level=LOG_LEVEL_LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

Output Options

--out

Pass in an alternative outputter to display the return of data. This outputter can be any of the available outputters:

```
grains, highstate, json, key, overstatestage, pprint, raw, txt, yaml
```

Some outputters are formatted only for data returned from specific functions; for instance, the grains outputter will not work for non-grains data.

If an outputter is used that does not support the data passed into it, then Salt will fall back on the pprint outputter and display the return data using the Python pprint standard library module.

Note: If using <code>--out=json</code>, you will probably want <code>--static</code> as well. Without the static option, you will get a JSON string for each minion. This is due to using an iterative outputter. So if you want to feed it to a JSON parser, use <code>--static</code> as well.

--out-indent OUTPUT_INDENT, --output-indent OUTPUT_INDENT

Print the output indented by the provided value in spaces. Negative values disable indentation. Only applicable in outputters that support indentation.

--out-file=OUTPUT_FILE, --output-file=OUTPUT_FILE

Write the output to the specified file.

--no-color

Disable all colored output

--force-color

Force colored output

Actions

-1 ARG, --list=ARG

List the public keys. The args pre, un, and unaccepted will list unaccepted/unsigned keys. acc or accepted will list accepted/signed keys. rej or rejected will list rejected keys. Finally, all will list all keys.

-L, --list-all

List all public keys. (Deprecated: use --list all)

-a ACCEPT, --accept=ACCEPT

Accept the specified public key (use –include-all to match rejected keys in addition to pending keys). Globs are supported.

-A, --accept-all

Accepts all pending keys.

-r REJECT, --reject=REJECT

Reject the specified public key (use –include-all to match accepted keys in addition to pending keys). Globs are supported.

-R, --reject-all

Rejects all pending keys.

--include-all

Include non-pending keys when accepting/rejecting.

-p PRINT, --print=PRINT

Print the specified public key.

-P, --print-all

Print all public keys

-d DELETE, --delete=DELETE

Delete the specified key. Globs are supported.

-D, --delete-all

Delete all keys.

-f FINGER, --finger=FINGER

Print the specified key's fingerprint.

-F, --finger-all

Print all keys' fingerprints.

Key Generation Options

--gen-keys=GEN_KEYS

Set a name to generate a keypair for use with salt

--gen-keys-dir=GEN_KEYS_DIR

Set the directory to save the generated keypair. Only works with 'gen_keys_dir' option; default is the current directory.

--keysize=KEYSIZE

Set the keysize for the generated key, only works with the '-gen-keys' option, the key size must be 2048 or higher, otherwise it will be rounded up to 2048. The default is 2048.

salt(7) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)

20.2.7 salt-master

salt-master

The Salt master daemon, used to control the Salt minions

Synopsis

salt-master [options]

Description

The master daemon controls the Salt minions

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

-u USER, --user=USER

Specify user to run salt-master

-d, --daemon

Run salt-master as a daemon

--pid-file PIDFILE

Specify the location of the pidfile. Default: /var/run/salt-master.pid

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG_LEVEL, --log-level=LOG_LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/master.

--log-file-level=LOG_LEVEL_LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

```
salt(1) salt(7) salt-minion(1)
```

20.2.8 salt-minion

salt-minion

The Salt minion daemon, receives commands from a remote Salt master.

Synopsis

salt-minion [options]

Description

The Salt minion receives commands from the central Salt master and replies with the results of said commands.

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

-u USER, --user=USER

Specify user to run salt-minion

-d, --daemon

Run salt-minion as a daemon

--pid-file PIDFILE

Specify the location of the pidfile. Default: /var/run/salt-minion.pid

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG_LEVEL, --log-level=LOG_LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/minion.

--log-file-level=LOG_LEVEL_LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

salt(1) salt(7) salt-master(1)

20.2.9 salt-run

salt-run

Execute a Salt runner

Synopsis

salt-run RUNNER

Description

salt-run is the frontend command for executing Salt Runners. Salt runners are simple modules used to execute convenience functions on the master

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

-t TIMEOUT, --timeout=TIMEOUT

The timeout in seconds to wait for replies from the Salt minions. The timeout number specifies how long the command line client will wait to query the minions and check on running jobs. Default: 1

-d, --doc, --documentation

Display documentation for runners, pass a module or a runner to see documentation on only that module/runner.

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG_LEVEL, --log-level=LOG_LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/master.

--log-file-level=LOG_LEVEL_LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

```
salt(1) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)
```

20.2.10 salt-ssh

salt-ssh

Synopsis

```
salt-ssh '*' [ options ] sys.doc
salt-ssh -E '.*' [ options ] sys.doc cmd
```

Description

Salt SSH allows for salt routines to be executed using only SSH for transport

Options

-r, --raw, --raw-shell

Execute a raw shell command.

--priv

Specify the SSH private key file to be used for authentication.

--roster

Define which roster system to use, this defines if a database backend, scanner, or custom roster system is used. Default is the flat file roster.

--roster-file

Define an alternative location for the default roster file location. The default roster file is called roster and is found in the same directory as the master config file.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

--refresh, --refresh-cache

Force a refresh of the master side data cache of the target's data. This is needed if a target's grains have been changed and the auto refresh timeframe has not been reached.

--max-procs

Set the number of concurrent minions to communicate with. This value defines how many processes are opened up at a time to manage connections, the more running process the faster communication should be, default is 25.

-i, --ignore-host-keys

Ignore the ssh host keys which by default are honored and connections would ask for approval.

--passwd

Set the default password to attempt to use when authenticating.

--key-deploy

Set this flag to attempt to deploy the authorized ssh key with all minions. This combined with –passwd can make initial deployment of keys very fast and easy.

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

Target Selection

-E, --pcre

The target expression will be interpreted as a PCRE regular expression rather than a shell glob.

-L, --list

The target expression will be interpreted as a comma-delimited list; example: server1.foo.bar,server2.foo.bar,example7.quo.qux

-G, --grain

The target expression matches values returned by the Salt grains system on the minions. The target expression is in the format of '<grain value>:<glob expression>'; example: 'os:Arch*'

This was changed in version 0.9.8 to accept glob expressions instead of regular expression. To use regular expression matching with grains, use the –grain-pcre option.

--grain-pcre

The target expression matches values returned by the Salt grains system on the minions. The target expression is in the format of '<grain value>:< regular expression>'; example: 'os:Arch.*'

-N, --nodegroup

Use a predefined compound target defined in the Salt master configuration file.

-R, --range

Instead of using shell globs to evaluate the target, use a range expression to identify targets. Range expressions look like %cluster.

Using the Range option requires that a range server is set up and the location of the range server is referenced in the master configuration file.

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

-1 LOG LEVEL, --log-level=LOG LEVEL

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/ssh.

--log-file-level=LOG_LEVEL_LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

Output Options

--out

Pass in an alternative outputter to display the return of data. This outputter can be any of the available outputters:

```
grains, highstate, json, key, overstatestage, pprint, raw, txt, yaml
```

Some outputters are formatted only for data returned from specific functions; for instance, the grains outputter will not work for non-grains data.

If an outputter is used that does not support the data passed into it, then Salt will fall back on the pprint outputter and display the return data using the Python pprint standard library module.

Note: If using <code>--out=json</code>, you will probably want <code>--static</code> as well. Without the static option, you will get a JSON string for each minion. This is due to using an iterative outputter. So if you want to feed it to a JSON parser, use <code>--static</code> as well.

--out-indent OUTPUT_INDENT, --output-indent OUTPUT_INDENT

Print the output indented by the provided value in spaces. Negative values disable indentation. Only applicable in outputters that support indentation.

```
--out-file=OUTPUT_FILE, --output-file=OUTPUT_FILE
```

Write the output to the specified file.

--no-color

Disable all colored output

--force-color

Force colored output

See also

```
salt(7) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)
```

20.2.11 salt-syndic

salt-syndic

The Salt syndic daemon, a special minion that passes through commands from a higher master

Synopsis

salt-syndic [options]

Description

The Salt syndic daemon, a special minion that passes through commands from a higher master.

Options

--version

Print the version of Salt that is running.

--versions-report

Show program's dependencies and version number, and then exit

-h, --help

Show the help message and exit

```
-c CONFIG_DIR, --config-dir=CONFIG_dir
```

The location of the Salt configuration directory. This directory contains the configuration files for Salt master and minions. The default location on most systems is /etc/salt.

-u USER, --user=USER

Specify user to run salt-syndic

-d, --daemon

Run salt-syndic as a daemon

--pid-file PIDFILE

Specify the location of the pidfile. Default: /var/run/salt-syndic.pid

Logging Options Logging options which override any settings defined on the configuration files.

```
-1 LOG_LEVEL, --log-level=LOG_LEVEL
```

Console logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

--log-file=LOG_FILE

Log file path. Default: /var/log/salt/master.

--log-file-level=LOG_LEVEL_LOGFILE

Logfile logging log level. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, quiet. Default: warning.

See also

```
salt(1) salt-master(1) salt-minion(1)
```

20.3 Client ACL system

The salt client ACL system is a means to allow system users other than root to have access to execute select salt commands on minions from the master.

The client ACL system is configured in the master configuration file via the client_acl configuration option. Under the client_acl configuration option the users open to send commands are specified and then a list of regular expressions which specify the minion functions which will be made available to specified user. This configuration is much like the peer configuration:

```
# Allow thatch to execute anything and allow fred to use ping and pkg
client_acl:
    thatch:
        - .*
    fred:
        - test.*
        - pkg.*
```

20.3.1 Permission Issues

Directories required for client_acl must be modified to be readable by the users specified:

chmod 755 /var/cache/salt /var/cache/salt/jobs /var/run/salt

Note: In addition to the changes above you will also need to modify the permissions of /var/log/salt and the existing log file. If you do not wish to do this then you must disable logging or Salt will generate errors as it cannot write to the logs as the system users.

If you are upgrading from earlier versions of salt you must also remove any existing user keys and re-start the Salt master:

```
rm /var/cache/salt/.*key
service salt-master restart
```

20.4 Python client API

There are several ways to access Salt programatically.

20.4.1 Calling Salt from shell scripts

Salt CLI tools can, of course, be called from shell scripts. Reference the help output to see what structured *output formats* are supported. For example:

```
salt '*' disk.usage --out=json
```

20.4.2 Calling Salt via a REST API

Salt provides a REST API, currently as a separate sister-project. It will be merged into Salt core.

https://github.com/saltstack/salt-api

This API utilizes Salt's Python interface documented below. It is also useful as a reference implementation.

20.4.3 Calling Salt from a Python application

Salt provides several entry points for interfacing with Python applications. These entry points are often referred to as $\star \texttt{Client}$ () APIs.

opts

Some clients require access to Salt's opts dictionary. (The dictionary representation of the *master* or *minion* config files.)

A common pattern for fetching the opts dictionary is to defer to environment variables if they exist or otherwise fetch the config from the default location.

```
import salt.config
```

```
master_opts = salt.config.master_config(
    os.environ.get('SALT_MASTER_CONFIG', '/etc/salt/master'))
minion_opts = salt.config.minion_config(
    os.environ.get('SALT_MINION_CONFIG', '/etc/salt/minion'))
```

20.4.4 Salt's Python interface

LocalClient

class salt.client.LocalClient (c_path='/etc/salt/master', mopts=None)

The interface used by the salt CLI tool on the Salt Master

LocalClient is used to send a command to Salt minions to execute *execution modules* and return the results to the Salt Master.

Importing and using LocalClient must be done on the same machine as the Salt Master and it must be done using the same user that the Salt Master is running as. (Unless external_auth is configured and authentication credentials are included in the execution).

import salt.client

```
local = salt.client.LocalClient()
local.cmd('*', 'test.fib', [10])
```

cmd (tgt, fun, arg=(), timeout=None, expr_form='glob', ret='', kwarg=None, **kwargs)

Synchronously execute a command on targeted minions

The cmd method will execute and wait for the timeout period for all minions to reply, then it will return all minion data at once.

```
>>> import salt.client
>>> local = salt.client.LocalClient()
>>> local.cmd('*', 'cmd.run', ['whoami'])
{'jerry': 'root'}
```

With extra keyword arguments for the command function to be run:

```
local.cmd('*', 'test.arg', ['arg1', 'arg2'], kwarg={'foo': 'bar'})
```

Compound commands can be used for multiple executions in a single publish. Function names and function arguments are provided in separate lists but the index values must correlate and an empty list must be used if no arguments are required.

Parameters

- **tgt** (*string or list*) Which minions to target for the execution. Default is shell glob. Modified by the <code>expr_form option</code>.
- **fun** (*string or list of strings*) The module and function to call on the specified minions of the form module.function. For example test.ping or grains.items.

Compound commands Multiple functions may be called in a single publish by passing a list of commands. This can dramatically lower overhead and speed up the application communicating with Salt.

This requires that the arg param is a list of lists. The fun list and the arg list must correlate by index meaning a function that does not take arguments must still have a corresponding empty list at the expected index.

- **arg** (*list or list-of-lists*) A list of arguments to pass to the remote function. If the function takes no arguments arg may be omitted except when executing a compound command.
- timeout Seconds to wait after the last minion returns but before all minions return.
- **expr form** The type of tqt. Allowed values:
 - glob Bash glob completion Default
 - pcre Perl style regular expression
 - list Python list of hosts
 - grain Match based on a grain comparison
 - grain_pcre Grain comparison with a regex
 - pillar Pillar data comparison
 - nodegroup Match on nodegroup
 - range Use a Range server for matching
 - compound Pass a compound match string
- ret The returner to use. The value passed can be single returner, or a comma delimited list of returners to call in order on the minions
- **kwarg** A dictionary with keyword arguments for the function.
- **kwargs** Optional keyword arguments.

Authentication credentials may be passed when using external_auth.

- eauth the external_auth backend
- username and password
- token

Returns A dictionary with the result of the execution, keyed by minion ID. A compound command will return a sub-dictionary keyed by function name.

```
cmd_async (tgt, fun, arg=(), expr_form='glob', ret='', kwarg=None, **kwargs)
Asynchronously send a command to connected minions
```

The function signature is the same as cmd () with the following exceptions.

Returns A job ID or 0 on failure.

```
>>> local.cmd_async('*', 'test.sleep', [300])
'20131219215921857715'
```

cmd_batch (tgt, fun, arg=(), expr_form='glob', ret='', kwarg=None, batch='10%', **kwargs)

Iteratively execute a command on subsets of minions at a time

The function signature is the same as cmd () with the following exceptions.

Parameters batch – The batch identifier of systems to execute on

Returns A generator of minion returns

```
>>> returns = local.cmd_batch('*', 'state.highstate', bat='10%')
>>> for return in returns:
... print return
{'jerry': {...}}
{'dave': {...}}
{'stewart': {...}}
```

cmd_iter (tgt, fun, arg=(), timeout=None, expr_form='glob', ret='', kwarg=None, **kwargs)
Yields the individual minion returns as they come in

The function signature is the same as cmd () with the following exceptions.

Returns A generator

```
>>> ret = local.cmd_iter('*', 'test.ping')
>>> for i in ret:
...    print i
{'jerry': {'ret': True}}
{'dave': {'ret': True}}
{'stewart': {'ret': True}}
```

Blocks while waiting for individual minions to return.

The function signature is the same as cmd () with the following exceptions.

Returns None until the next minion returns. This allows for actions to be injected in between minion returns.

```
>>> ret = local.cmd_iter('*', 'test.ping')
>>> for i in ret:
...    print i
None
{'jerry': {'ret': True}}
{'dave': {'ret': True}}
None
{'stewart': {'ret': True}}
```

cmd_subset (tgt, fun, arg=(), expr_form='glob', ret='', kwarg=None, sub=3, cli=False, **kwargs)
Execute a command on a random subset of the targeted systems

The function signature is the same as cmd () with the following exceptions.

Parameters sub – The number of systems to execute on

```
>>> SLC.cmd_subset('*', 'test.ping', sub=1)
{'jerry': True}
```

get_cli_returns (*jid*, *minions*, *timeout=None*, *tgt='*'*, *tgt_type='glob'*, *verbose=False*, **kwargs)

Starts a watcher looking at the return data for a specified JID

Returns all of the information for the JID

get_event_iter_returns (jid, minions, timeout=None)

Gather the return data from the event system, break hard when timeout is reached.

run_job (tgt, fun, arg=(), expr_form='glob', ret='', timeout=None, kwarg=None, **kwargs)
Asynchronously send a command to connected minions

Prep the job directory and publish a command to any targeted minions.

Returns A dictionary of (validated) pub_data or an empty dictionary on failure. The pub_data contains the job ID and a list of all minions that are expected to return data.

```
>>> local.run_job('*', 'test.sleep', [300])
{'jid': '20131219215650131543', 'minions': ['jerry']}
```

Salt Caller

```
class salt.client.Caller(c_path='/etc/salt/minion', mopts=None)
    Caller is the same interface used by the salt-call command-line tool on the Salt Minion.
```

Importing and using Caller must be done on the same machine as a Salt Minion and it must be done using the same user that the Salt Minion is running as.

Usage:

```
import salt.client
caller = salt.client.Caller()
caller.function('test.ping')

# Or call objects directly
caller.sminion.functions['cmd.run']('ls -l')
```

Note, a running master or minion daemon is not required to use this class. Running salt-call --local simply sets file_client to 'local'. The same can be achived at the Python level by including that setting in a minion config file.

Instantiate a new Caller() instance using a file system path to the minion config file:

```
caller = salt.client.Caller('/path/to/custom/minion_config')
caller.sminion.functions['grains.items']()
```

Instantiate a new Caller() instance using a dictionary of the minion config:

New in version Helium: Pass the minion config as a dictionary.

RunnerClient

```
class salt.runner.RunnerClient (opts)
```

The interface used by the salt-run CLI tool on the Salt Master

It executes runner modules which run on the Salt Master.

Importing and using RunnerClient must be done on the same machine as the Salt Master and it must be done using the same user that the Salt Master is running as.

Salt's external_auth can be used to authenticate calls. The eauth user must be authorized to execute runner modules: (@runner). Only the master call() below supports eauth.

```
async (fun, low, user='UNKNOWN')
```

Execute the runner in a multiprocess and return the event tag to use to watch for the return

cmd (fun, arg, kwarg=None, pub_data=None)

Execute a runner function

```
>>> opts = salt.config.master_config('/etc/salt/master')
>>> runner = salt.runner.RunnerClient(opts)
>>> runner.cmd('jobs.list_jobs', [])
    '20131219215650131543': {
        'Arguments': [300],
        'Function': 'test.sleep',
        'StartTime': '2013, Dec 19 21:56:50.131543',
        'Target': '*',
        'Target-type': 'glob',
        'User': 'saltdev'
    },
    '20131219215921857715': {
        'Arguments': [300],
        'Function': 'test.sleep',
        'StartTime': '2013, Dec 19 21:59:21.857715',
        'Target': '*',
        'Target-type': 'glob',
        'User': 'saltdev'
    },
```

get_docs (arg=None)

Return a dictionary of functions and the inline documentation for each

low (fun, low)

Pass in the runner function name and the low data structure

```
runner.low({'fun': 'jobs.lookup_jid', 'jid': '20131219215921857715'})
```

```
master_call(**kwargs)
```

Execute a runner function through the master network interface (eauth).

This function requires that external_auth is configured and the user is authorized to execute runner functions: (@runner).

```
runner.master_call(
    fun='jobs.list_jobs',
    username='saltdev',
    password='saltdev',
    eauth='pam')
```

WheelClient

```
class salt.wheel.WheelClient (opts=None)
```

An interface to Salt's wheel modules

Wheel modules interact with various parts of the Salt Master.

Importing and using WheelClient must be done on the same machine as the Salt Master and it must be done using the same user that the Salt Master is running as. Unless external_auth is configured and the user is authorized to execute wheel functions: (@wheel).

```
call_func (fun, **kwargs)
         Execute a wheel function
         >>> opts = salt.config.master_config('/etc/salt/master')
         >>> wheel = salt.wheel.Wheel(opts)
         >>> wheel.call_func('key.list_all')
         {'local': ['master.pem', 'master.pub'],
         'minions': ['jerry'],
         'minions_pre': [],
         'minions_rejected': []}
     get_docs()
         Return a dictionary of functions and the inline documentation for each
     master call(**kwargs)
         Execute a wheel function through the master network interface (eauth).
         This function requires that external_auth is configured and the user is authorized to execute wheel
         functions: (@wheel).
         >>> wheel.master_call(**{
              'fun': 'key.finger',
              'match': 'jerry',
              'eauth': 'auto',
              'username': 'saltdev',
              'password': 'saltdev',
          {'data': {
              '_stamp': '2013-12-19_22:47:44.427338',
              'fun': 'wheel.key.finger',
              'jid': '20131219224744416681',
             'return': {'minions': {'jerry': '5d:f6:79:43:5e:d4:42:3f:57:b8:45:a8:7e:a4:6e:ca'}},
              'success': True,
              'tag': 'salt/wheel/20131219224744416681',
              'user': 'saltdev'
         },
         'tag': 'salt/wheel/20131219224744416681'}
CloudClient
class salt.cloud.CloudClient (path=None, opts=None, config_dir=None)
     The client class to wrap cloud interactions
     action (fun=None, cloudmap=None, names=None, provider=None, instance=None, kwargs=None)
         Execute a single action via the cloud plugin backend
         client.action(fun='show_instance', names=['myinstance'])
         client.action(fun='show_image', provider='my-ec2-config',
              kwargs={'image': 'ami-10314d79'}
         )
     create (provider, names, **kwargs)
         Create the named VMs, without using a profile
         Example:
```

client.create(names=['myinstance'], provider='my-ec2-config',

```
kwargs={'image': 'ami-1624987f', 'size': 'Micro Instance', 'ssh_username': 'ec2-user', 'securi-
             tygroup': 'default', 'delvol_on_destroy': True})
destroy (names)
     Destroy the named VMs
full_query (query_type='list_nodes_full')
     Query all instance information
list images (provider=None)
     List all available images in configured cloud systems
list_locations (provider=None)
     List all available locations in configured cloud systems
list_sizes (provider=None)
     List all available sizes in configured cloud systems
low (fun, low)
     Pass the cloud function and low data structure to run
profile (profile, names, vm overrides=None, **kwargs)
     Pass in a profile to create, names is a list of vm names to allocate
         vm_overrides is a special dict that will be per node options overrides
query (query_type='list_nodes')
     Query basic instance information
select_query (query_type='list_nodes_select')
     Query select instance information
volume_action (provider, names, action, **kwargs)
     Perform actions with block storage devices
     Example:
     client.volume_action(names=['myblock'], action='create',
         provider='my-nova', kwargs={'voltype': 'SSD', 'size': 1000}
```

20.5 Full list of Salt Cloud modules

botocore_aws	The AWS Cloud Module
cloudstack	CloudStack Cloud Module
digital_ocean	Digital Ocean Cloud Module
ec2	The EC2 Cloud Module
gce	Copyright 2013 Google Inc. All Rights Reserved.
gogrid	GoGrid Cloud Module
joyent	Joyent Cloud Module
lxc	Install Salt on an LXC Container
libcloud_aws	The AWS Cloud Module
linode	Linode Cloud Module
msazure	Azure Cloud Module
nova	OpenStack Nova Cloud Module
openstack	OpenStack Cloud Module
parallels	Parallels Cloud Module
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rackspace	Rackspace Cloud Module	
saltify	Saltify Module	
softlayer	SoftLayer Cloud Module	

20.5.1 salt.cloud.clouds.botocore aws

The AWS Cloud Module

The AWS cloud module is used to interact with the Amazon Web Services system.

This module has been replaced by the EC2 cloud module, and is no longer supported. The documentation shown here is for reference only; it is highly recommended to change all usages of this driver over to the EC2 driver.

```
If this driver is still needed, set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers
     /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/aws.conf:
my-aws-botocore-config:
  # The AWS API authentication id
  id: GKTADJGHEIQSXMKKRBJ08H
  # The AWS API authentication key
 key: askdjghsdfjkghWupUjasdflkdfklgjsdfjajkghs
  # The ssh keyname to use
  keyname: default
  # The amazon security group
  securitygroup: ssh_open
  # The location of the private key which corresponds to the keyname
  private_key: /root/default.pem
  provider: aws
salt.cloud.clouds.botocore_aws.disable_term_protect(name, call=None)
    Disable termination protection on a node
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -a disable_term_protect mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.botocore_aws.enable_term_protect(name, call=None)
    Enable termination protection on a node
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -a enable_term_protect mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.botocore_aws.get_configured_provider()
```

20.5.2 salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack

Return the first configured instance.

CloudStack Cloud Module

The CloudStack cloud module is used to control access to a CloudStack based Public Cloud.

Use of this module requires the apikey, secretkey, host and path parameters.

or

```
my-cloudstack-cloud-config:
  apikey: <your api key >
  secretkey: <your secret key >
  host: localhost
  path: /client/api
  provider: cloudstack
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.avail_images (conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.avail_locations(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.avail_sizes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
     Delete a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_image(conn, vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_ip (data)
     Return the IP address of the VM If the VM has public IP as defined by libcloud module then use it Otherwise
     try to extract the private IP and use that one.
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_key()
     Returns the ssk private key for VM access
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_keypair(vm_)
     Return the keypair to use
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_location(conn, vm_)
     Return the node location to use
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get networkid(vm )
     Return the networkid to use, only valid for Advanced Zone
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_password(vm_)
     Return the password to use
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.get_size(conn, vm_)
     Return the VM's size object
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.list_nodes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.list_nodes_full(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with all fields
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.list_nodes_select(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.script (vm_)
    Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.cloudstack.show_instance (name, call=None)
    Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
```

20.5.3 salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean

Digital Ocean Cloud Module

The Digital Ocean cloud module is used to control access to the Digital Ocean VPS system.

Use of this module only requires the api_key parameter to be set. Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/digital_ocean.conf:

```
my-digital-ocean-config:
  # Digital Ocean account keys
  client_key: wFGEwgregeqw3435gDger
  api_key: GDE43t43REGTrkilg43934t34qT43t4dgegerGEgg
  provider: digital_ocean
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.avail_images (call=None)
     Return a list of the images that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.avail_locations(call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.avail_sizes(call=None)
     Return a list of the image sizes that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.create_node(args)
     Create a node
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.destroy(name, call=None)
     Destroy a node. Will check termination protection and warn if enabled.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud --destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.get_image(vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.get_keyid(keyname)
     Return the ID of the keyname
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.get_location(vm_)
     Return the VM's location
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.get_size(vm_)
     Return the VM's size. Used by create_node().
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.list_keypairs(call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.list_nodes(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.list_nodes_full(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.digital ocean.list nodes select(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.digital ocean.query (method='droplets',
                                                                   droplet id=None,
                                                                                       com-
                                              mand=None, args=None)
     Make a web call to Digital Ocean
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from Digital Ocean concerning a droplet
salt.cloud.clouds.digital_ocean.show_keypair(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an SSH keypair
```

20.5.4 salt.cloud.clouds.ec2

The EC2 Cloud Module

The EC2 cloud module is used to interact with the Amazon Elastic Cloud Computing. This driver is highly experimental! Use at your own risk!

```
To use the EC2 cloud module, set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/ec2.conf:
```

```
my-ec2-config:
  # The EC2 API authentication id
 id: GKTADJGHEIQSXMKKRBJ08H
  # The EC2 API authentication key
 key: askdjghsdfjkghWupUjasdflkdfklgjsdfjajkghs
  # The ssh keyname to use
 keyname: default
  # The amazon security group
 securitygroup: ssh_open
  # The location of the private key which corresponds to the keyname
 private_key: /root/default.pem
  # Be default, service_url is set to amazonaws.com. If you are using this
  # driver for something other than Amazon EC2, change it here:
 service_url: amazonaws.com
  # The endpoint that is ultimately used is usually formed using the region
  # and the service_url. If you would like to override that entirely, you
  # can explicitly define the endpoint:
 endpoint: myendpoint.example.com:1138/services/Cloud
  # SSH Gateways can be used with this provider. Gateways can be used
  # when a salt-master is not on the same private network as the instance
  # that is being deployed.
  # Defaults to None
  # Required
```

```
ssh_gateway: gateway.example.com
  # Defaults to port 22
  # Optional
  ssh_gateway_port: 22
  # Defaults to root
  # Optional
  ssh_gateway_username: root
  # One authentication method is required. If both
  # are specified, Private key wins.
  # Private key defaults to None
  ssh_gateway_private_key: /path/to/key.pem
  # Password defaults to None
  ssh_gateway_password: ExamplePasswordHere
  provider: ec2
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.attach_volume(name=None,
                                                          kwargs=None,
                                                                         instance_id=None,
                                           call=None)
    Attach a volume to an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.avail_images(kwargs=None, call=None)
    Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider.
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.avail_locations(call=None)
    List all available locations
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.avail_sizes(call=None)
    Return a dict of all available VM sizes on the cloud provider with relevant data. Latest version can be found at:
    http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/instance-types.html
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.block_device_mappings(vm_)
    Return the block device mapping:
     [{'DeviceName': '/dev/sdb', 'VirtualName': 'ephemeral0'},
       {'DeviceName': '/dev/sdc', 'VirtualName': 'ephemeral1'}]
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.copy_snapshot (kwargs=None, call=None)
    Copy a snapshot
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.create(vm_=None, call=None)
    Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.create_attach_volumes (name, kwargs, call=None)
    Create and attach volumes to created node
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.create_keypair(kwargs=None, call=None)
    Create an SSH keypair
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.create_snapshot(kwargs=None, call=None)
    Create a snapshot
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.create_volume(kwargs=None, call=None)
    Create a volume
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.del_tags (name, kwargs, call=None)
    Delete tags for a node
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a del_tags mymachine tag1,tag2,tag3
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.delete_keypair(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Delete an SSH keypair
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.delete_snapshot(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Delete a snapshot
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.delete_volume(name=None,
                                                            kwargs=None,
                                                                            instance id=None,
                                            call=None)
     Delete a volume
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.delvol_on_destroy (name, kwargs=None, call=None)
     Delete all/specified EBS volumes upon instance termination
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a delvol_on_destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.describe_snapshots(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Describe a snapshot (or snapshots)
     snapshot_id One or more snapshot IDs. Multiple IDs must be separated by ",".
     owner Return the snapshots owned by the specified owner. Valid values include: self, amazon, <AWS Account
         ID>. Multiple values must be separated by ",".
     restorable by One or more AWS accounts IDs that can create volumes from the snapshot. Multiple aws
         account IDs must be separated by ",".
     TODO: Add all of the filters.
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.destroy(name, call=None)
     Destroy a node. Will check termination protection and warn if enabled.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud --destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.detach volume(name=None,
                                                            kwargs=None,
                                                                            instance id=None,
                                            call=None)
     Detach a volume from an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.disable_term_protect (name, call=None)
     Disable termination protection on a node
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a disable_term_protect mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.enable_term_protect(name, call=None)
     Enable termination protection on a node
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a enable_term_protect mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_availability_zone(vm_)
     Return the availability zone to use
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_location(vm_=None)
     Return the EC2 region to use, in this order:
            • CLI parameter
            · VM parameter
            • Cloud profile setting
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_spot_config(vm_)
     Returns the spot instance configuration for the provided vm
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_ssh_gateway_config(vm_)
     Return the ssh_gateway configuration.
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_subnetid(vm_)
     Returns the SubnetId to use
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_tags (name=None, instance_id=None, call=None, location=None)
     Retrieve tags for a node
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.get_tenancy(vm_)
     Returns the Tenancy to use.
     Can be "dedicated" or "default". Cannot be present for spot instances.
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.iam_profile(vm_)
     Return the IAM profile.
     The IAM instance profile to associate with the instances. This is either the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of
     the instance profile or the name of the role.
     Type: String
     Default: None
     Required: No
     Example: arn:aws:iam::1111111111111:instance-profile/s3access
     Example: s3access
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.keepvol_on_destroy(name, kwargs=None, call=None)
     Do not delete all/specified EBS volumes upon instance termination
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a keepvol_on_destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.keyname(vm_)
     Return the keyname
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.list_availability_zones()
     List all availability zones in the current region
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.list_nodes(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.list_nodes_full (location=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.list_nodes_select(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.optimize_providers(providers)
     Return an optimized list of providers.
     We want to reduce the duplication of querying the same region.
     If a provider is using the same credentials for the same region the same data will be returned for each provider,
     thus causing un-wanted duplicate data and API calls to EC2.
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.query (params=None, setname=None, requesturl=None, location=None,
                                  return url=False, return root=False)
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.reboot (name, call=None)
     Reboot a node.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a reboot mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.rename(name, kwargs, call=None)
     Properly rename a node. Pass in the new name as "new name".
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a rename mymachine newname=yourmachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.securitygroup(vm_)
     Return the security group
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.securitygroupid(vm_)
     Returns the SecurityGroupId
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.set tags (name, tags, call=None, location=None, instance id=None)
     Set tags for a node
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a set_tags mymachine tag1=somestuff tag2='Other stuff'
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.show_delvol_on_destroy(name, kwargs=None, call=None)
     Do not delete all/specified EBS volumes upon instance termination
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a show_delvol_on_destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.show_image(kwargs, call=None)
     Show the details from EC2 concerning an AMI
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from EC2 concerning an AMI
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.show_keypair(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an SSH keypair
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.show_term_protect (name=None,
                                                               instance id=None,
                                                                                  call=None.
                                                 quiet=False)
     Show the details from EC2 concerning an AMI
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.show_volume(name=None,
                                                          kwargs=None,
                                                                            instance_id=None,
                                          call=None)
     Show volume details
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.ssh_interface (vm_)
    Return the ssh_interface type to connect to. Either 'public_ips' (default) or 'private_ips'.
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.start (name, call=None)
    Start a node
salt.cloud.clouds.ec2.stop (name, call=None)
    Stop a node
```

20.5.5 salt.cloud.clouds.gce

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Google Compute Engine Module

The Google Compute Engine module. This module interfaces with Google Compute Engine. To authenticate to GCE, you will need to create a Service Account.

Setting up Service Account Authentication:

- Go to the Cloud Console at: https://cloud.google.com/console.
- Create or navigate to your desired Project.
- Make sure Google Compute Engine service is enabled under the Services section.
- Go to "APIs and auth" and then the "Registered apps" section.
- Click the "REGISTER APP" button and give it a meaningful name.
- Select "Web Application" and click "Register".
- Select Certificate, then "Generate Certificate"
- Copy the Email Address for inclusion in your /etc/salt/cloud file in the 'service_account_email_address' setting.
- · Download the Private Key
- The key that you download is a PKCS12 key. It needs to be converted to the PEM format.
- Convert the key using OpenSSL (the default password is 'notasecret'): C{openssl pkcs12 -in PRIVKEY.p12 -passin pass:notasecret -nodes -nocerts | openssl rsa -out ~/PRIVKEY.pem}
- Add the full path name of the converted private key to your /etc/salt/cloud file as 'ser-vice_account_private_key' setting.
- Consider using a more secure location for your private key.

Supported commands: # Create a few instances fro profile_name in /etc/salt/cloud.profiles - salt-cloud -p profile_name inst1 inst2 inst3 # Delete an instance - salt-cloud -d inst1 # Look up data on an instance - salt-cloud -a show_instance inst2 # List available locations (aka 'zones') for provider 'gce' - salt-cloud -list-locations gce # List available instance sizes (aka 'machine types') for provider 'gce' - salt-cloud -list-sizes gce # List

available images for provider 'gce' - salt-cloud -list-images gce # Create a persistent disk - salt-cloud -f create_disk gce disk_name=pd location=us-central1-b ima... # Permanently delete a persistent disk - salt-cloud -f delete disk gce disk name=pd # Attach an existing disk to an existing instance - salt-cloud -a attach disk myinstance disk_name=mydisk mode=READ_ONLY # Detach a disk from an instance - salt-cloud -a detach_disk myinstance disk_name=mydisk # Show information about the named disk - salt-cloud -a show_disk myinstance disk name=pd - salt-cloud -f show disk gce disk name=pd # Create a snapshot of a persistent disk - saltcloud -f create snapshot gce name=snap-1 disk name=pd # Permanently delete a disk snapshot - salt-cloud -f delete snapshot gce name=snap-1 # Show information about the named snapshot - salt-cloud -f show snapshot gce name=snap-1 # Create a network - salt-cloud -f create network gce name=mynet cidr=10.10.10.0/24 # Delete a network - salt-cloud -f delete_network gce name=mynet # Show info for a network - salt-cloud f show_network gce name=mynet # Create a firewall rule - salt-cloud -f create_fwrule gce name=fw1 network=mynet allow=tcp:80 # Delete a firewall rule - salt-cloud -f delete_fwrule gce name=fw1 # Show info for a firewall rule -salt-cloud -f show_fwrule gce name=fw1 # Create a load-balancer HTTP health check - saltcloud -f create_hc gce name=hc path=/ port=80 # Delete a load-balancer HTTP health check - salt-cloud -f delete_hc gce name=hc # Show info about an HTTP health check - salt-cloud -f show_hc gce name=hc # Create a load-balancer configuration - salt-cloud -f create_lb gce name=lb region=us-central1 ports=80 ... # Delete a load-balancer configuration - salt-cloud -f delete_lb gce name=lb # Show details about load-balancer - salt-cloud -f show lb gce name=lb # Add member to load-balancer - salt-cloud -f attach lb gce name=lb member=www1 # Remove member from load-balancer - salt-cloud -f detach_lb gce name=lb member=www1

```
my-gce-config:
  # The Google Cloud Platform Project ID
  project: google.com:erjohnso
  # The Service ACcount client ID
  service_account_email_address: 1234567890@developer.gserviceaccount.com
  # The location of the private key (PEM format)
  service_account_private_key: /home/erjohnso/PRIVKEY.pem
  provider: gce
     maintainer Eric Johnson <erjohnso@google.com>
     maturity new
     depends libcloud >= 0.14.1
     depends pycrypto >= 2.1
salt.cloud.clouds.qce.attach_disk (name=None, kwargs=None, call=None)
     Attach an existing disk to an existing instance.
     CLI Example:
     \verb|salt-cloud-a| attach_disk myinstance disk_name=mydisk mode=READ_WRITE| \\
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.attach lb(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Add an existing node/member to an existing load-balancer configuration.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f attach_lb gce name=lb member=myinstance
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.avail_images (conn=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
```

Note that for GCE, there are custom images within the project, but the generic images are in other projects. This returns a dict of images in the project plus images in 'debian-cloud' and 'centos-cloud' (If there is overlap in names, the one in the current project is used.)

```
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.avail_locations (conn=None, call=None)
Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.avail sizes(conn=None)
     Return a dict of available instances sizes (a.k.a machine types) and convert them to something more serializable.
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create(vm_=None, call=None)
     Create a single GCE instance from a data dict.
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create disk(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Create a new persistent disk. Must specify disk name and location. Can also specify an image or snapshot but
     if neither of those are specified, a size (in GB) is required.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f create_disk gce disk_name=pd size=300 location=us-central1-b
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create fwrule(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Create a GCE firewall rule. The 'default' network is used if not specified.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f create_fwrule gce name=allow-http allow=tcp:80
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create_hc (kwargs=None, call=None)
     Create an HTTP health check configuration.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f create_hc gce name=hc path=/healthy port=80
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create_lb(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Create a load-balancer configuration.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f create_lb gce name=lb region=us-central1 ports=80
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create_network(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Create a GCE network.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f create_network gce name=mynet cidr=10.10.10.0/24
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.create_snapshot(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Create a new disk snapshot. Must specify name and disk_name.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f create_snapshot qce name=snap1 disk_name=pd
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.delete_disk(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Permanently delete a persistent disk.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f delete_disk gce disk_name=pd
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.delete_fwrule(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Permanently delete a firewall rule.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f delete_fwrule gce name=allow-http
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.delete_hc(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Permanently delete a health check.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f delete_hc gce name=hc
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.delete_lb(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Permanently delete a load-balancer.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f delete_lb gce name=lb
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.delete_network(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Permanently delete a network.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f delete_network gce name=mynet
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.delete_snapshot(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Permanently delete a disk snapshot.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f delete_snapshot gce name=disk-snap-1
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.destroy(vm_name, call=None)
     Call 'destroy' on the instance. Can be called with "-a destroy" or -d
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a destroy myinstance1 myinstance2 ...
     salt-cloud -d myinstance1 myinstance2 ...
salt.cloud.clouds.qce.detach disk(name=None, kwargs=None, call=None)
     Detach a disk from an instance.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a detach_disk myinstance disk_name=mydisk
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.detach_lb (kwargs=None, call=None)
     Remove an existing node/member from an existing load-balancer configuration.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f detach_lb gce name=lb member=myinstance
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.get_conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.get_lb_conn (gce_driver=None)
     Return a load-balancer conn object
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.list_nodes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.list_nodes_full(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with all fields
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.list_nodes_select(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.reboot(vm_name, call=None)
     Call GCE 'reset' on the instance.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a reboot myinstance
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_disk(name=None, kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an existing disk.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a show_disk myinstance disk_name=mydisk
     salt-cloud -f show_disk gce disk_name=mydisk
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_fwrule(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an existing firewall rule.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f show_fwrule gce name=allow-http
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_hc(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an existing health check.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f show_hc gce name=hc
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_instance(vm_name, call=None)
     Show the details of the existing instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_lb (kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an existing load-balancer.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f show_lb gce name=lb
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_network(kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an existing network.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f show_network gce name=mynet
salt.cloud.clouds.gce.show_snapshot (kwargs=None, call=None)
     Show the details of an existing snapshot.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f show_snapshot gce name=mysnapshot
```

20.5.6 salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid

GoGrid Cloud Module

The GoGrid cloud module. This module interfaces with the gogrid public cloud service. To use Salt Cloud with GoGrid log into the GoGrid web interface and create an api key. Do this by clicking on "My Account" and then going to the API Keys tab.

Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/gogrid.conf:

```
my-gogrid-config:
  # The generated api key to use
  apikey: asdff7896asdh789
  # The apikey's shared secret
  sharedsecret: saltybacon
  provider: gogrid
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.avail_images(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.avail_sizes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.create(vm )
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
     Delete a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.get_conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.get_image(conn, vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.get_size(conn, vm_)
     Return the VM's size object
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.list_nodes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.list nodes full(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with all fields
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.list_nodes_select (conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.gogrid.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
```

20.5.7 salt.cloud.clouds.joyent

Joyent Cloud Module

The Joyent Cloud module is used to interact with the Joyent cloud system.

Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/joyent.conf:

```
my-joyent-config:
    # The Joyent login user
    user: fred
    # The Joyent user's password
    password: saltybacon
    # The location of the ssh private key that can log into the new VM
    private_key: /root/joyent.pem
    provider: joyent
```

When creating your profiles for the joyent cloud, add the location attribute to the profile, this will automatically get picked up when performing tasks associated with that vm. An example profile might look like:

```
joyent_512:
  provider: my-joyent-config
  size: Extra Small 512 MB
  image: centos-6
  location: us-east-1
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.avail_images (call=None)
    get list of available images
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud --list-images
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.avail_locations(call=None)
    List all available locations
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.avail_sizes(call=None)
    get list of available packages
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud --list-sizes
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.create(vm_)
    Create a single VM from a data dict
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -p profile_name vm_name
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.create_node(**kwargs)
    convenience function to make the rest api call for node creation.
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.delete_key(kwargs=None, call=None)
    List the keys available
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -f delete_key joyent keyname=mykey
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.destroy(name, call=None)
    destroy a machine by name
```

Parameters

- name name given to the machine
- call call value in this case is 'action'

Returns array of booleans, true if successful; ly stopped and true if successfully removed

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt-cloud -d vm_name

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.get_configured_provider()
    Return the first configured instance.

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.get_image(vm_)
    Return the image object to use

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.get_location(vm_=None)
```

Return the joyent datacenter to use, in this order:

- CLI parameter
- VM parameter
- · Cloud profile setting

```
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.get_location_path (location='us-east-1')
    create url from location variable :param location: joyent datacenter location :return: url
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.get_node (name)
    gets the node from the full node list by name :param name: name of the vm :return: node object
```

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.get_size(vm_)

Return the VM's size object

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.has_method(obj, method_name)

Find if the provided object has a specific method

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.import_key (kwargs=None, call=None)
List the keys available

CLI Example:

```
salt-cloud -f import_key joyent keyname=mykey keyfile=/tmp/mykey.pub
```

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.joyent_node_state(id_)

Convert joyent returned state to state common to other datacenter return values for consistency

Parameters id – joyent state value

Returns libeloudfunes state value

```
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.key_list (key='name', items=None)
convert list to dictionary using the key as the identifier :param key: identifier - must exist in the arrays elements own dictionary :param items: array to iterate over :return: dictionary
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.list_keys(kwargs=None, call=None)
List the keys available
```

salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.list_nodes (full=False, call=None)
list of nodes, keeping only a brief listing

CLI Example:

```
salt-cloud -Q
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.list_nodes_full(call=None)
     list of nodes, maintaining all content provided from joyent listings
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -F
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.list_nodes_select(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.query(action=None, command=None, args=None, method='GET',
                                        data=None, headers=None)
     Make a web call to Joyent
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.query2 (action=None, command=None, args=None, method='GET',
                                         location=None, data=None)
     Make a web call to Joyent
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.reboot(name, call=None)
     reboot a machine by name :param name: name given to the machine :param call: call value in this case is
     'action' :return: true if successful
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a reboot vm_name
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.reformat node(item=None, full=False)
     Reformat the returned data from joyent, determine public/private IPs and strip out fields if necessary to provide
     either full or brief content.
          Parameters
                • item – node dictionary
                • full – full or brief output
          Returns dict
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.show_key(kwargs=None, call=None)
     List the keys available
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.ssh_interface(vm_)
     Return the ssh_interface type to connect to. Either 'public_ips' (default) or 'private_ips'.
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.start(name, call=None)
     start a machine by name :param name: name given to the machine :param call: call value in this case is 'action'
     :return: true if successful
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a start vm_name
salt.cloud.clouds.joyent.stop(name, call=None)
     stop a machine by name :param name: name given to the machine :param call: call value in this case is 'action'
     :return: true if successful
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a stop vm_name
```

take action call used by start,stop, reboot :param name: name given to the machine :param call: call value in this case is 'action' :command: api path :data: any data to be passed to the api, must be in json format :method: GET,POST,or DELETE :location: datacenter to execute the command on :return: true if successful

20.5.8 salt.cloud.clouds.lxc

Install Salt on an LXC Container

New in version Helium.

20.5.9 salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud aws

The AWS Cloud Module

The AWS cloud module is used to interact with the Amazon Web Services system.

Show the details from the provider concerning an instance

This module has been replaced by the EC2 cloud module, and is no longer supported. The documentation shown here is for reference only; it is highly recommended to change all usages of this driver over to the EC2 driver.

```
# The location of the private key which corresponds to the keyname
  private_key: /root/default.pem
  provider: aws
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.block_device_mappings(vm_)
    Return the block device mapping:
     [{'DeviceName': '/dev/sdb', 'VirtualName': 'ephemeral0'},
       {'DeviceName': '/dev/sdc', 'VirtualName': 'ephemeral1'}]
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.create(vm_)
    Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.create_attach_volumes(volumes, location, data)
    Create and attach volumes to created node
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud aws.del tags (name, kwargs, call=None)
    Delete tags for a node
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -a del_tags mymachine tag1, tag2, tag3
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.destroy(name)
    Wrap core libcloudfuncs destroy method, adding check for termination protection
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.get_availability_zone(conn, vm_)
    Return the availability zone to use
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.get_configured_provider()
    Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.get_conn(**kwargs)
    Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.get_location(vm_=None)
    Return the AWS region to use, in this order:
           • CLI parameter
           • Cloud profile setting
           · Global salt-cloud config
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.get_tags (name, call=None)
    Retrieve tags for a node
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.iam_profile(vm_)
    Return the IAM role
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.keyname(vm_)
    Return the keyname
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud aws.rename(name, kwargs, call=None)
    Properly rename a node. Pass in the new name as "new name".
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -a rename mymachine newname=yourmachine
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.securitygroup(vm_)
    Return the security group
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.set_tags (name, tags, call=None)
    Set tags for a node

CLI Example:
    salt-cloud -a set_tags mymachine tag1=somestuff tag2='Other stuff'

salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.ssh_interface(vm_)
    Return the ssh_interface type to connect to. Either 'public_ips' (default) or 'private_ips'.

salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.ssh_username(vm_)
    Return the ssh_username. Defaults to 'ec2-user'.

salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.start (name, call=None)
    Start a node

salt.cloud.clouds.libcloud_aws.stop (name, call=None)
    Stop a node
```

20.5.10 salt.cloud.clouds.linode

Linode Cloud Module

The Linode cloud module is used to control access to the Linode VPS system

Use of this module only requires the apikey parameter.

Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/linode.conf:

```
my-linode-config:
  # Linode account api key
  apikey: JVkbSJDGHSDKUKSDJfhsdklfjqsjdkflhjlsdfffhqdqjkenrtuinv
  provider: linode
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.avail_images (conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.avail locations(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.avail_sizes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.create(vm )
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
     Delete a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.get_conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.get_image(conn, vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.get_location(conn, vm_)
     Return the node location to use
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.get_password(vm_)
   Return the password to use
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.get_size(conn, vm_)
   Return the VM's size object
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.list_nodes(conn=None, call=None)
   Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.list_nodes_full(conn=None, call=None)
   Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with all fields
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.list_nodes_select(conn=None, call=None)
   Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.script(vm_)
   Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.linode.show_instance(name, call=None)
   Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
```

20.5.11 salt.cloud.clouds.msazure

Azure Cloud Module

The Azure cloud module is used to control access to Microsoft Azure

Use of this module only requires the apikey parameter. Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/azure.conf:

```
my-azure-config:
   provider: azure
   subscription_id: 3287abc8-f98a-c678-3bde-326766fd3617
   certificate_path: /etc/salt/azure.pem
   management_host: management.core.windows.net
```

Information on creating the pem file to use, and uploading the associated cer file can be found at:

http://www.windowsazure.com/en-us/develop/python/how-to-guides/service-management/

```
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.avail_images (conn=None, call=None)
    List available images for Azure

salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.avail_locations (conn=None, call=None)
    List available locations for Azure

salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.avail_sizes (call=None)
    Because sizes are built into images with Azure, there will be no sizes to return here

salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.create(vm_)
    Create a single VM from a data dict

salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
    Destroy a VM

salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.get_configured_provider()
    Return the first configured instance.

salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.get_conn()
```

Return a conn object for the passed VM data

```
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.list_disks(conn=None, call=None)
     Destroy a VM
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.list_hosted_services(conn=None, call=None)
     List VMs on this Azure account, with full information
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.list nodes(conn=None, call=None)
     List VMs on this Azure account
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.list nodes full(conn=None, call=None)
     List VMs on this Azure account, with full information
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.list_nodes_select(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.list_storage_services(conn=None, call=None)
     List VMs on this Azure account, with full information
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.msazure.show instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
```

20.5.12 salt.cloud.clouds.nova

OpenStack Nova Cloud Module

PLEASE NOTE: This module is currently in early development, and considered to be experimental and unstable. It is not recommended for production use. Unless you are actively developing code in this module, you should use the OpenStack module instead.

OpenStack is an open source project that is in use by a number a cloud providers, each of which have their own ways of using it.

The OpenStack Nova module for Salt Cloud was bootstrapped from the OpenStack module for Salt Cloud, which uses a libcloud-based connection. The Nova module is designed to use the nova and glance modules already built into Salt.

These modules use the Python novaclient and glanceclient libraries, respectively. In order to use this module, the proper salt configuration must also be in place. This can be specified in the master config, the minion config, a set of grains or a set of pillars.

```
my_openstack_profile:
   keystone.user: admin
   keystone.password: verybadpass
   keystone.tenant: admin
   keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
```

Note that there is currently a dependency upon netaddr. This can be installed on Debian-based systems by means of the python-netaddr package.

This module currently requires the latest develop branch of Salt to be installed.

This module has been tested to work with HP Cloud and Rackspace. See the documentation for specific options for either of these providers. These examples could be set up in the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/openstack.conf:

```
my-openstack-config:
    # The ID of the minion that will execute the salt nova functions
    auth_minion: myminion
```

For local installations that only use private IP address ranges, the following option may be useful. Using the old syntax:

Note: For api use, you will need an auth plugin. The base novaclient does not support apikeys, but some providers such as rackspace have extended keystone to accept them

```
my-openstack-config:
  # Ignore IP addresses on this network for bootstrap
  ignore_cidr: 192.168.50.0/24
my-nova:
  identity_url: 'https://identity.api.rackspacecloud.com/v2.0/'
  compute_region: IAD
  user: myusername
  password: mypassword
  tenant: <userid>
  provider: nova
my-api:
  identity_url: 'https://identity.api.rackspacecloud.com/v2.0/'
  compute_region: IAD
  user: myusername
  api_key: <api_key>
  os_auth_plugin: rackspace
  tenant: <userid>
  provider: nova
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.avail_images()
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.avail_locations()
     Would normally return a list of available datacenters (ComputeRegions? Availability Zones?), but those don't
     seem to be available via the nova client.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.avail_sizes()
     Return a dict of all available VM sizes on the cloud provider.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
     Delete a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.get configured provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.get conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.get_image(conn, vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.get size(conn, vm )
     Return the VM's size object
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.ignore_cidr(vm_, ip)
     Return True if we are to ignore the specified IP. Compatible with IPv4.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.list_nodes(call=None, **kwargs)
     Return a list of the VMs that in this location
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.list_nodes_full(call=None, **kwargs)
     Return a list of the VMs that in this location
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.list_nodes_select(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.managedcloud(vm )
     Determine if we should wait for the managed cloud automation before running. Either 'False' (default) or
     'True'.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.preferred_ip(vm_, ips)
     Return the preferred Internet protocol. Either 'ipv4' (default) or 'ipv6'.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.rackconnect(vm_)
     Determine if we should wait for rackconnect automation before running. Either 'False' (default) or 'True'.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.reboot (name, conn=None)
     Reboot a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.ssh_interface(vm_)
     Return the ssh interface type to connect to. Either 'public ips' (default) or 'private ips'.
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.volume_attach(name, server_name, device='/dev/xvdb', **kwargs)
     Attach block volume
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.volume_create(name, size=100, snapshot=None, voltype=None,
                                              **kwargs)
     Create block storage device
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.volume_delete(name, **kwargs)
     Delete block storage device
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.volume_detach(name, **kwargs)
     Detach block volume
salt.cloud.clouds.nova.volume_list(**kwargs)
     Attach block volume
```

20.5.13 salt.cloud.clouds.openstack

OpenStack Cloud Module

OpenStack is an open source project that is in use by a number a cloud providers, each of which have their own ways of using it.

OpenStack provides a number of ways to authenticate. This module uses password- based authentication, using auth v2.0. It is likely to start supporting other methods of authentication provided by OpenStack in the future.

Note that there is currently a dependency upon netaddr. This can be installed on Debian-based systems by means of the python-netaddr package.

This module has been tested to work with HP Cloud and Rackspace. See the documentation for specific options for either of these providers. Some examples, using the old cloud configuration syntax, are provided below:

```
Set
                   the
                          cloud
                                   configuration
                                                  at
                                                        /etc/salt/cloud.providers
                                                                                          or
/etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/openstack.conf:
my-openstack-config:
  # The OpenStack identity service url
  identity_url: https://region-b.geo-1.identity.hpcloudsvc.com:35357/v2.0/
  # The OpenStack compute region
  compute_region: region-b.geo-1
  # The OpenStack compute service name
  compute_name: Compute
  # The OpenStack tenant name (not tenant ID)
 tenant: myuser-tenant1
  # The OpenStack user name
 user: myuser
  # The OpenStack keypair name
  ssh_key_name: mykey
  # The ssh key file
  ssh_key_file: /path/to/keyfile/test.pem
  # The OpenStack network UUIDs
  networks:
      - fixed:
          - 4402cd51-37ee-435e-a966-8245956dc0e6
      - floating:
          - Ext-Net
  files:
      /path/to/dest.txt:
          /local/path/to/src.txt
  provider: openstack
  userdata_file: /tmp/userdata.txt
For in-house Openstack Essex installation, libcloud needs the service type:
my-openstack-config:
  identity_url: 'http://control.openstack.example.org:5000/v2.0/'
  compute_name : Compute Service
  service_type : compute
Either a password or an API key must also be specified:
my-openstack-password-or-api-config:
```

The OpenStack password

password: letmein

```
# The OpenStack API key
apikey: 901d3f579h23c8v73q9
```

For local installations that only use private IP address ranges, the following option may be useful. Using the old syntax:

```
my-openstack-config:
    # Ignore IP addresses on this network for bootstrap
ignore_cidr: 192.168.50.0/24
```

It is possible to upload a small set of files (no more than 5, and nothing too large) to the remote server. Generally this should not be needed, as salt itself can upload to the server after it is spun up, with nowhere near the same restrictions.

```
my-openstack-config:
  files:
      /path/to/dest.txt:
           /local/path/to/src.txt
Alternatively, one could use the private IP to connect by specifying:
my-openstack-config:
  ssh_interface: private_ips
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.avail_images(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.avail_locations(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.avail sizes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
     Delete a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.get_conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.get_image(conn, vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.get_size(conn, vm_)
     Return the VM's size object
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.ignore_cidr(vm_, ip)
     Return True if we are to ignore the specified IP. Compatible with IPv4.
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.list_nodes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.list_nodes_full(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with all fields
```

salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.list_nodes_select(conn=None, call=None)

Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields

```
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.managedcloud(vm_)
    Determine if we should wait for the managed cloud automation before running. Either 'False' (default) or 'True'.

salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.preferred_ip(vm_, ips)
    Return the preferred Internet protocol. Either 'ipv4' (default) or 'ipv6'.

salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.rackconnect (vm_)
    Determine if we should wait for rackconnect automation before running. Either 'False' (default) or 'True'.

salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.reboot (name, conn=None)
    Reboot a single VM

salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.script (vm_)
    Return the script deployment object

salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.show_instance (name, call=None)
    Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.openstack.ssh_interface (vm_)
    Return the ssh_interface type to connect to. Either 'public_ips' (default) or 'private_ips'.
```

20.5.14 salt.cloud.clouds.parallels

Parallels Cloud Module

The Parallels cloud module is used to control access to cloud providers using the Parallels VPS system.

Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/parallels.c

```
my-parallels-config:
  # Parallels account information
  user: myuser
  password: mypassword
  url: https://api.cloud.xmission.com:4465/paci/v1.0/
  provider: parallels
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.avail images (call=None)
    Return a list of the images that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.create(vm_)
    Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.create_node(vm_)
    Build and submit the XML to create a node
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.destroy(name, call=None)
    Destroy a node.
    CLI Example:
    salt-cloud --destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.get_configured_provider()
    Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.get_image(vm_)
    Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.list_nodes(call=None)
    Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.list_nodes_full(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.list_nodes_select(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.query(action=None,
                                                            command=None,
                                                                                 args=None,
                                         method='GET', data=None)
     Make a web call to a Parallels provider
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.show_image(kwargs, call=None)
     Show the details from Parallels concerning an image
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from Parallels concerning an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.start (name, call=None)
     Start a node.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a start mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.stop(name, call=None)
     Stop a node.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a stop mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.parallels.wait until (name, state, timeout=300)
     Wait until a specific state has been reached on a node
```

20.5.15 salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox

Proxmox Cloud Module

New in version Helium.

The Proxmox cloud module is used to control access to cloud providers using the Proxmox system (KVM / OpenVZ).

Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/proxmox.com

```
my-proxmox-config:
    # Proxmox account information
    user: myuser@pam or myuser@pve
    password: mypassword
    url: hypervisor.domain.tld
    provider: proxmox

    maintainer Frank Klaassen <frank@cloudright.nl>
    maturity new
    depends requests >= 2.2.1
    depends IPy >= 0.81
```

```
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.avail_images (call=None, location='local', img_type='vztpl')
     Return a list of the images that are on the provider
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud --list-images my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.avail_locations(call=None)
     Return a list of the hypervisors (nodes) which this Proxmox PVE machine manages
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud --list-locations my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -p proxmox-ubuntu vmhostname
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.create_node(vm_)
     Build and submit the requestdata to create a new node
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.destroy(name, call=None)
     Destroy a node.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud --destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.get_resources_nodes(call=None, resFilter=None)
     Retrieve all hypervisors (nodes) available on this environment CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f get_resources_nodes my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.get_resources_vms(call=None, resFilter=None, includeCon-
                                                     fig=True)
     Retrieve all VMs available on this environment
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -f get_resources_vms my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.get_vm_status(vmid=None, name=None, host=None, node-
                                                 Type=None)
     Get the status for a VM, either via the ID or the hostname
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.get_vmconfig(vmid, node=None, node_type='openvz')
     Get VM configuration
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.list_nodes(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are managed by the provider
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -Q my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.list_nodes_full(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -F my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.list_nodes_select (call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -S my-proxmox-config
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.query(conn_type, option, post_data=None)
     Execute the HTTP request to the API
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.set_vm_status(status, name=None, vmid=None)
     Convenience function for setting VM status
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.show_instance(name, call=None, instance_type=None)
     Show the details from Proxmox concerning an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.shutdown (name=None, vmid=None, call=None)
     Shutdown a node via ACPI.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a shutdown mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.start (name, vmid=None, call=None)
     Start a node.
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a start mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.stop(name, vmid=None, call=None)
     Stop a node ("pulling the plug").
     CLI Example:
     salt-cloud -a stop mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.wait_for_created(upid, timeout=300)
     Wait until a the vm has been created successfully
salt.cloud.clouds.proxmox.wait_for_state(vmid, node, nodeType, state, timeout=300)
     Wait until a specific state has been reached on a node
```

20.5.16 salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace

Rackspace Cloud Module

The Rackspace cloud module. This module uses the preferred means to set up a libcloud based cloud module and should be used as the general template for setting up additional libcloud based modules.

Please note that the *rackspace* driver is only intended for 1st gen instances, aka, "the old cloud" at Rackspace. It is required for 1st gen instances, but will *not* work with OpenStack-based instances. Unless you explicitly have a reason to use it, it is highly recommended that you use the *openstack* driver instead.

The rackspace cloud module interfaces with the Rackspace public cloud service and requires that two configuration parameters be set for use, user and apikey.

Set up the cloud configuration at /etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/rackspace.conf

```
my-rackspace-config:
  provider: rackspace
  # The Rackspace login user
  user: fred
  # The Rackspace user's apikey
  apikey: 901d3f579h23c8v73q9
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.avail_images(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.avail_locations(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM locations on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.avail_sizes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider with relevant data
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.destroy(name, conn=None, call=None)
     Delete a single VM
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.get_conn()
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.get_image(conn, vm_)
     Return the image object to use
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.get_size(conn, vm_)
     Return the VM's size object
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.list_nodes(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.list_nodes_full(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with all fields
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.list_nodes_select(conn=None, call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.preferred_ip(vm_, ips)
     Return the preferred Internet protocol. Either 'ipv4' (default) or 'ipv6'.
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.script(vm_)
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from the provider concerning an instance
salt.cloud.clouds.rackspace.ssh_interface(vm_)
     Return the ssh_interface type to connect to. Either 'public_ips' (default) or 'private_ips'.
```

20.5.17 salt.cloud.clouds.saltify

Saltify Module

The Saltify module is designed to install Salt on a remote machine, virtual or bare metal, using SSH. This module is useful for provisioning machines which are already installed, but not Salted.

Use of this module requires no configuration in the main cloud configuration file. However, profiles must still be configured, as described in the *core config documentation*.

```
salt.cloud.clouds.saltify.create(vm_)
    Provision a single machine

salt.cloud.clouds.saltify.get_configured_provider()
    Return the first configured instance.

salt.cloud.clouds.saltify.list_nodes()
    Because this module is not specific to any cloud providers, there will be no nodes to list.

salt.cloud.clouds.saltify.list_nodes_full()
    Because this module is not specific to any cloud providers, there will be no nodes to list.

salt.cloud.clouds.saltify.list_nodes_select()
    Because this module is not specific to any cloud providers, there will be no nodes to list.

salt.cloud.clouds.saltify.script(vm_)
    Return the script deployment object
```

20.5.18 salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer

SoftLayer Cloud Module

The SoftLayer cloud module is used to control access to the SoftLayer VPS system.

Use of this module only requires the apikey parameter. Set up the cloud configuration at:

```
/etc/salt/cloud.providers or /etc/salt/cloud.providers.d/softlayer.conf:
my-softlayer-config:
  # SoftLayer account api key
  user: MYLOGIN
  apikey: JVkbSJDGHSDKUKSDJfhsdklfjgsjdkflhjlsdfffhgdgjkenrtuinv
  provider: softlayer
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.avail_images(call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM images on the cloud provider.
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.avail_locations(call=None)
     List all available locations
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.avail_sizes(call=None)
     Return a dict of all available VM sizes on the cloud provider with relevant data. This data is provided in three
     dicts.
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.create(vm_)
     Create a single VM from a data dict
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.destroy(name, call=None)
     Destroy a node.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt-cloud --destroy mymachine
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.get_configured_provider()
     Return the first configured instance.
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.get_conn(service='SoftLayer_Virtual_Guest')
     Return a conn object for the passed VM data
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.get_location(vm_=None)
     Return the location to use, in this order:

    CLI parameter

    VM parameter

           · Cloud profile setting
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.list_custom_images(call=None)
     Return a dict of all custom VM images on the cloud provider.
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.list_nodes(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.list_nodes_full(mask='mask[id]', call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.list_nodes_select(call=None)
     Return a list of the VMs that are on the provider, with select fields
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.list_vlans(call=None)
     List all VLANs associated with the account
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.script(vm )
     Return the script deployment object
salt.cloud.clouds.softlayer.show_instance(name, call=None)
     Show the details from SoftLayer concerning a guest
```

20.6 Configuration file examples

- Example master configuration file
- Example minion configuration file

20.6.1 Example master configuration file

```
#default include: master.d/*.conf
# The address of the interface to bind to
#interface: 0.0.0.0
# Whether the master should listen for IPv6 connections. If this is set to True,
# the interface option must be adjusted too (for example: "interface: '::'")
#ipv6: False
# The tcp port used by the publisher
#publish_port: 4505
# The user under which the salt master will run. Salt will update all
# permissions to allow the specified user to run the master. The exception is
# the job cache, which must be deleted if this user is changed. If the
# modified files cause conflicts set verify_env to False.
#user: root
# Max open files
# Each minion connecting to the master uses AT LEAST one file descriptor, the
# master subscription connection. If enough minions connect you might start
# seeing on the console(and then salt-master crashes):
# Too many open files (tcp_listener.cpp:335)
  Aborted (core dumped)
# By default this value will be the one of 'ulimit -Hn', ie, the hard limit for
# max open files.
# If you wish to set a different value than the default one, uncomment and
# configure this setting. Remember that this value CANNOT be higher than the
# hard limit. Raising the hard limit depends on your OS and/or distribution,
# a good way to find the limit is to search the internet for(for example):
   raise max open files hard limit debian
#max_open_files: 100000
# The number of worker threads to start, these threads are used to manage
# return calls made from minions to the master, if the master seems to be
# running slowly, increase the number of threads
#worker threads: 5
# The port used by the communication interface. The ret (return) port is the
# interface used for the file server, authentication, job returnes, etc.
#ret_port: 4506
# Specify the location of the daemon process ID file
#pidfile: /var/run/salt-master.pid
# The root directory prepended to these options: pki_dir, cachedir,
# sock_dir, log_file, autosign_file, autoreject_file, extension_modules,
# key_logfile, pidfile.
#root_dir: /
# Directory used to store public key data
#pki_dir: /etc/salt/pki/master
# Directory to store job and cache data
#cachedir: /var/cache/salt/master
```

```
# Directory for custom modules. This directory can contain subdirectories for
# each of Salt's module types such as "runners", "output", "wheel", "modules",
# "states", "returners", etc.
#extension_modules: <no default>
# Verify and set permissions on configuration directories at startup
#verify_env: True
# Set the number of hours to keep old job information in the job cache
#keep_jobs: 24
# Set the default timeout for the salt command and api, the default is 5
#timeout: 5
# The loop_interval option controls the seconds for the master's maintenance
# process check cycle. This process updates file server backends, cleans the
# job cache and executes the scheduler.
#loop_interval: 60
# Set the default outputter used by the salt command. The default is "nested"
#output: nested
# By default output is colored, to disable colored output set the color value
# to False
#color: True
# Set the directory used to hold unix sockets
#sock_dir: /var/run/salt/master
# The master can take a while to start up when lspci and/or dmidecode is used
# to populate the grains for the master. Enable if you want to see GPU hardware
# data for your master.
# enable_gpu_grains: False
# The master maintains a job cache, while this is a great addition it can be
# a burden on the master for larger deployments (over 5000 minions).
# Disabling the job cache will make previously executed jobs unavailable to
# the jobs system and is not generally recommended.
#job_cache: True
# Cache minion grains and pillar data in the cachedir.
#minion_data_cache: True
# The master can include configuration from other files. To enable this,
# pass a list of paths to this option. The paths can be either relative or
# absolute; if relative, they are considered to be relative to the directory
# the main master configuration file lives in (this file). Paths can make use
# of shell-style globbing. If no files are matched by a path passed to this
# option then the master will log a warning message.
# Include a config file from some other path:
#include: /etc/salt/extra_config
# Include config from several files and directories:
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#include:
# - /etc/salt/extra_config
#####
            Security settings
                                   #####
# Enable "open mode", this mode still maintains encryption, but turns off
# authentication, this is only intended for highly secure environments or for
# the situation where your keys end up in a bad state. If you run in open mode
# you do so at your own risk!
#open_mode: False
# Enable auto accept, this setting will automatically accept all incoming
# public keys from the minions. Note that this is insecure.
#auto_accept: False
# If the autosign_file is specified, incoming keys specified in the
# autosign_file will be automatically accepted. This is insecure. Regular
# expressions as well as globing lines are supported.
#autosign_file: /etc/salt/autosign.conf
# Works like autosign_file, but instead allows you to specify minion IDs for
# which keys will automatically be rejected. Will override both membership in
# the autosign_file and the auto_accept setting.
#autoreject_file: /etc/salt/autosign.conf
# Enable permissive access to the salt keys. This allows you to run the
# master or minion as root, but have a non-root group be given access to
# your pki_dir. To make the access explicit, root must belong to the group
# you've given access to. This is potentially quite insecure.
# If an autosign_file is specified, enabling permissive_pki_access will allow group access
# to that specific file.
#permissive_pki_access: False
# Allow users on the master access to execute specific commands on minions.
# This setting should be treated with care since it opens up execution
# capabilities to non root users. By default this capability is completely
# disabled.
#client acl:
# larrv:
  - test.ping
  - network.*
# Blacklist any of the following users or modules
# This example would blacklist all non sudo users, including root from
# running any commands. It would also blacklist any use of the "cmd"
# module.
# This is completely disabled by default.
#client acl blacklist:
# users:
   - '^(?!sudo_).*$'  # all non sudo users
# modules:
    - cmd
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# The external auth system uses the Salt auth modules to authenticate and
# validate users to access areas of the Salt system.
#external_auth:
# pam:
    fred:
      - test.*
# Time (in seconds) for a newly generated token to live. Default: 12 hours
#token_expire: 43200
# Allow minions to push files to the master. This is disabled by default, for
# security purposes.
#file_recv: False
# Set a hard-limit on the size of the files that can be pushed to the master.
# It will be interpreted as megabytes.
# Default: 100
#file_recv_max_size: 100
# Signature verification on messages published from the master.
# This causes the master to cryptographically sign all messages published to its event
# bus, and minions then verify that signature before acting on the message.
# This is False by default.
# Note that to facilitate interoperability with masters and minions that are different
# versions, if sign_pub_messages is True but a message is received by a minion with
# no signature, it will still be accepted, and a warning message will be logged.
# Conversely, if sign_pub_messages is False, but a minion receives a signed
# message it will be accepted, the signature will not be checked, and a warning message
# will be logged. This behavior will go away in Salt 0.17.6 (or Hydrogen RC1, whichever
# comes first) and these two situations will cause minion to throw an exception and
# drop the message.
# sign_pub_messages: False
##### Master Module Management
# Manage how master side modules are loaded
# Add any additional locations to look for master runners
#runner_dirs: []
# Enable Cython for master side modules
#cython_enable: False
#####
                                  #####
          State System settings
# The state system uses a "top" file to tell the minions what environment to
# use and what modules to use. The state_top file is defined relative to the
# root of the base environment as defined in "File Server settings" below.
#state_top: top.sls
# The master_tops option replaces the external_nodes option by creating
# a plugable system for the generation of external top data. The external_nodes
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# option is deprecated by the master_tops option.
# To gain the capabilities of the classic external_nodes system, use the
# following configuration:
# master_tops:
  ext_nodes: <Shell command which returns yaml>
#master_tops: {}
# The external_nodes option allows Salt to gather data that would normally be
# placed in a top file. The external_nodes option is the executable that will
# return the ENC data. Remember that Salt will look for external nodes AND top
# files and combine the results if both are enabled!
#external_nodes: None
# The renderer to use on the minions to render the state data
#renderer: yaml_jinja
# The Jinja renderer can strip extra carriage returns and whitespace
# See http://jinja.pocoo.org/docs/api/#high-level-api
# If this is set to True the first newline after a Jinja block is removed
# (block, not variable tag!). Defaults to False, corresponds to the Jinja
# environment init variable "trim_blocks".
# jinja_trim_blocks: False
# If this is set to True leading spaces and tabs are stripped from the start
# of a line to a block. Defaults to False, corresponds to the Jinja
# environment init variable "lstrip_blocks".
# jinja_lstrip_blocks: False
# The failhard option tells the minions to stop immediately after the first
# failure detected in the state execution, defaults to False
#failhard: False
# The state_verbose and state_output settings can be used to change the way
# state system data is printed to the display. By default all data is printed.
# The state_verbose setting can be set to True or False, when set to False
# all data that has a result of True and no changes will be suppressed.
#state_verbose: True
# The state_output setting changes if the output is the full multi line
# output for each changed state if set to 'full', but if set to 'terse'
# the output will be shortened to a single line. If set to 'mixed', the output
# will be terse unless a state failed, in which case that output will be full.
#state_output: full
#####
          File Server settings
                                    #####
# Salt runs a lightweight file server written in zeromg to deliver files to
# minions. This file server is built into the master daemon and does not
# require a dedicated port.
# The file server works on environments passed to the master, each environment
# can have multiple root directories, the subdirectories in the multiple file
# roots cannot match, otherwise the downloaded files will not be able to be
# reliably ensured. A base environment is required to house the top file.
# Example:
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# file roots:
  base:
     - /srv/salt/
#
  dev:
     - /srv/salt/dev/services
     - /srv/salt/dev/states
  prod:
#
     - /srv/salt/prod/services
#
     - /srv/salt/prod/states
#file_roots:
# base:
  - /srv/salt
# The hash_type is the hash to use when discovering the hash of a file on
# the master server. The default is md5, but sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384
# and sha512 are also supported.
#hash_type: md5
# The buffer size in the file server can be adjusted here:
#file_buffer_size: 1048576
# A regular expression (or a list of expressions) that will be matched
# against the file path before syncing the modules and states to the minions.
# This includes files affected by the file.recurse state.
# For example, if you manage your custom modules and states in subversion
# and don't want all the '.svn' folders and content synced to your minions,
# you could set this to '/\.svn(\$//)'. By default nothing is ignored.
#file_ignore_regex:
# - '/\.svn($|/)'
# - '/\.git($|/)'
# A file glob (or list of file globs) that will be matched against the file
# path before syncing the modules and states to the minions. This is similar
# to file_ignore_regex above, but works on globs instead of regex. By default
# nothing is ignored.
# file_ignore_glob:
# - '*.pvc'
# - '*/somefolder/*.bak'
# - '*.swp'
# File Server Backend
# Salt supports a modular fileserver backend system, this system allows
# the salt master to link directly to third party systems to gather and
# manage the files available to minions. Multiple backends can be
# configured and will be searched for the requested file in the order in which
# they are defined here. The default setting only enables the standard backend
# "roots" which uses the "file_roots" option.
#fileserver_backend:
# - roots
# To use multiple backends list them in the order they are searched:
#fileserver_backend:
# - git
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# - roots
#
# Uncomment the line below if you do not want the file_server to follow
# symlinks when walking the filesystem tree. This is set to True
# by default. Currently this only applies to the default roots
# fileserver_backend.
#fileserver_followsymlinks: False
# Uncomment the line below if you do not want symlinks to be
# treated as the files they are pointing to. By default this is set to
# False. By uncommenting the line below, any detected symlink while listing
# files on the Master will not be returned to the Minion.
#fileserver_ignoresymlinks: True
# By default, the Salt fileserver recurses fully into all defined environments
# to attempt to find files. To limit this behavior so that the fileserver only
# traverses directories with SLS files and special Salt directories like _modules,
# enable the option below. This might be useful for installations where a file root
# has a very large number of files and performance is impacted. Default is False.
# fileserver_limit_traversal: False
# The fileserver can fire events off every time the fileserver is updated,
# these are disabled by default, but can be easily turned on by setting this
# flag to True
#fileserver_events: False
# Git fileserver backend configuration
# Gitfs can be provided by one of two python modules: GitPython or pygit2. If
# using pygit2, both libgit2 and git must also be installed.
#gitfs_provider: gitpython
# When using the git fileserver backend at least one git remote needs to be
# defined. The user running the salt master will need read access to the repo.
# The repos will be searched in order to find the file requested by a client
# and the first repo to have the file will return it.
# When using the git backend branches and tags are translated into salt
# environments
# Note: file:// repos will be treated as a remote, so refs you want used must
# exist in that repo as *local* refs.
#gitfs_remotes:
# - git://github.com/saltstack/salt-states.git
  - file:///var/git/saltmaster
# The gitfs_ssl_verify option specifies whether to ignore ssl certificate
# errors when contacting the gitfs backend. You might want to set this to
# false if you're using a git backend that uses a self-signed certificate but
# keep in mind that setting this flag to anything other than the default of True
# is a security concern, you may want to try using the ssh transport.
#gitfs_ssl_verify: True
# The gitfs_root option gives the ability to serve files from a subdirectory
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# within the repository. The path is defined relative to the root of the
# repository and defaults to the repository root.
#gitfs_root: somefolder/otherfolder
#####
             Pillar settings
# Salt Pillars allow for the building of global data that can be made selectively
# available to different minions based on minion grain filtering. The Salt
# Pillar is laid out in the same fashion as the file server, with environments,
# a top file and sls files. However, pillar data does not need to be in the
# highstate format, and is generally just key/value pairs.
#pillar roots:
# base:
  - /srv/pillar
#ext_pillar:
# - hiera: /etc/hiera.yaml
  - cmd_yaml: cat /etc/salt/yaml
# The pillar_gitfs_ssl_verify option specifies whether to ignore ssl certificate
# errors when contacting the pillar gitfs backend. You might want to set this to
# false if you're using a git backend that uses a self-signed certificate but
# keep in mind that setting this flag to anything other than the default of True
# is a security concern, you may want to try using the ssh transport.
#pillar_gitfs_ssl_verify: True
# The pillar_opts option adds the master configuration file data to a dict in
# the pillar called "master". This is used to set simple configurations in the
# master config file that can then be used on minions.
#pillar_opts: True
#####
              Syndic settings
                                   #####
# The Salt syndic is used to pass commands through a master from a higher
# master. Using the syndic is simple, if this is a master that will have
# syndic servers(s) below it set the "order_masters" setting to True, if this
# is a master that will be running a syndic daemon for passthrough the
# "syndic_master" setting needs to be set to the location of the master server
# to receive commands from.
# Set the order_masters setting to True if this master will command lower
# masters' syndic interfaces.
#order_masters: False
# If this master will be running a salt syndic daemon, syndic_master tells
# this master where to receive commands from.
#syndic_master: masterofmaster
# This is the 'ret_port' of the MasterOfMaster
#syndic_master_port: 4506
# PID file of the syndic daemon
#syndic_pidfile: /var/run/salt-syndic.pid
# LOG file of the syndic daemon
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#syndic_log_file: syndic.log
         Peer Publish settings
                                  #####
# Salt minions can send commands to other minions, but only if the minion is
# allowed to. By default "Peer Publication" is disabled, and when enabled it
# is enabled for specific minions and specific commands. This allows secure
# compartmentalization of commands based on individual minions.
# The configuration uses regular expressions to match minions and then a list
# of regular expressions to match functions. The following will allow the
# minion authenticated as foo.example.com to execute functions from the test
# and pkg modules.
#peer:
# foo.example.com:
#
   - test.*
    - pkg. *
# This will allow all minions to execute all commands:
#peer:
# .*:
# This is not recommended, since it would allow anyone who gets root on any
# single minion to instantly have root on all of the minions!
# Minions can also be allowed to execute runners from the salt master.
# Since executing a runner from the minion could be considered a security risk,
# it needs to be enabled. This setting functions just like the peer setting
# except that it opens up runners instead of module functions.
# All peer runner support is turned off by default and must be enabled before
# using. This will enable all peer runners for all minions:
#peer_run:
# .*:
# To enable just the manage.up runner for the minion foo.example.com:
#peer_run:
# foo.example.com:
   - manage.up
            Mine settings
                            #####
# Restrict mine.get access from minions. By default any minion has a full access
# to get all mine data from master cache. In acl definion below, only pcre matches
# are allowed.
# mine_get:
#
  . *:
#
# Example below enables minion foo.example.com to get 'network.interfaces' mine data only
# , minions web* to get all network.* and disk.* mine data and all other minions won't get
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# any mine data.
# mine_get:
  foo.example.com:
    - network.interfaces
  web. *:
     - network.*
     - disk.*
#####
             Logging settings
                                  #####
# The location of the master log file
# The master log can be sent to a regular file, local path name, or network
# location. Remote logging works best when configured to use rsyslogd(8) (e.g.:
# ''file:///dev/log''), with rsyslogd(8) configured for network logging. The URI
# format is: <file|udp|tcp>://<host|socketpath>:<port-if-required>/<log-facility>
#log_file: /var/log/salt/master
#log_file: file:///dev/log
#log_file: udp://loghost:10514
#log_file: /var/log/salt/master
#key_logfile: /var/log/salt/key
# The level of messages to send to the console.
# One of 'garbage', 'trace', 'debug', info', 'warning', 'error', 'critical'.
#log_level: warning
# The level of messages to send to the log file.
# One of 'garbage', 'trace', 'debug', info', 'warning', 'error', 'critical'.
#log_level_logfile: warning
# The date and time format used in log messages. Allowed date/time formating
# can be seen here: http://docs.python.org/library/time.html#time.strftime
#log_datefmt: '%H:%M:%S'
#log_datefmt_logfile: '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'
# The format of the console logging messages. Allowed formatting options can
# be seen here: http://docs.python.org/library/logging.html#logrecord-attributes
#log_fmt_console: '[%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
#log_fmt_logfile: '%(asctime)s,%(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
# This can be used to control logging levels more specificically. This
# example sets the main salt library at the 'warning' level, but sets
# 'salt.modules' to log at the 'debug' level:
  log_granular_levels:
    'salt': 'warning',
     'salt.modules': 'debug'
#log_granular_levels: {}
#####
            Node Groups
                                  #####
# Node groups allow for logical groupings of minion nodes.
# A group consists of a group name and a compound target.
#nodegroups:
# group1: 'L@foo.domain.com,bar.domain.com,baz.domain.com and bl*.domain.com'
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# group2: 'G@os:Debian and foo.domain.com'
#####
        Range Cluster settings
                                #####
# The range server (and optional port) that serves your cluster information
# https://qithub.com/grierj/range/wiki/Introduction-to-Range-with-YAML-files
#range_server: range:80
        Windows Software Repo settings #####
# Location of the repo on the master
#win_repo: '/srv/salt/win/repo'
# Location of the master's repo cache file
#win_repo_mastercachefile: '/srv/salt/win/repo/winrepo.p'
# List of git repositories to include with the local repo
#win_gitrepos:
# - 'https://github.com/saltstack/salt-winrepo.git'
```

20.6.2 Example minion configuration file

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##### Primary configuration settings #####
# Per default the minion will automatically include all config files
# from minion.d/*.conf (minion.d is a directory in the same directory
# as the main minion config file).
#default_include: minion.d/*.conf
# Set the location of the salt master server, if the master server cannot be
# resolved, then the minion will fail to start.
#master: salt
# If multiple masters are specified in the 'master' setting, the default behavior
# is to always try to connect to them in the order they are listed. If random_master is
# set to True, the order will be randomized instead. This can be helpful in distributing
# the load of many minions executing salt-call requests, for example from a cron job.
# If only one master is listed, this setting is ignored and a warning will be logged.
#random_master: False
# Set whether the minion should connect to the master via IPv6
#ipv6: False
# Set the number of seconds to wait before attempting to resolve
# the master hostname if name resolution fails. Defaults to 30 seconds.
# Set to zero if the minion should shutdown and not retry.
# retry_dns: 30
# Set the port used by the master reply and authentication server
#master_port: 4506
# The user to run salt
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#user: root
# Specify the location of the daemon process ID file
#pidfile: /var/run/salt-minion.pid
# The root directory prepended to these options: pki_dir, cachedir, log_file,
# sock_dir, pidfile.
#root_dir: /
# The directory to store the pki information in
#pki_dir: /etc/salt/pki/minion
# Explicitly declare the id for this minion to use, if left commented the id
# will be the hostname as returned by the python call: socket.getfqdn()
# Since salt uses detached ids it is possible to run multiple minions on the
# same machine but with different ids, this can be useful for salt compute
# clusters.
#id:
# Append a domain to a hostname in the event that it does not exist. This is
# useful for systems where socket.qetfqdn() does not actually result in a
# FQDN (for instance, Solaris).
#append_domain:
# Custom static grains for this minion can be specified here and used in SLS
# files just like all other grains. This example sets 4 custom grains, with
# the 'roles' grain having two values that can be matched against:
#grains:
# roles:
    - webserver
    - memcache
# deployment: datacenter4
# cabinet: 13
# cab u: 14-15
# Where cache data goes
#cachedir: /var/cache/salt/minion
# Verify and set permissions on configuration directories at startup
#verify_env: True
# The minion can locally cache the return data from jobs sent to it, this
# can be a good way to keep track of jobs the minion has executed
# (on the minion side). By default this feature is disabled, to enable
# set cache_jobs to True
#cache_jobs: False
# set the directory used to hold unix sockets
#sock_dir: /var/run/salt/minion
# Set the default outputter used by the salt-call command. The default is
# "nested"
#output: nested
# By default output is colored, to disable colored output set the color value
# to False
#color: True
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# Backup files that are replaced by file.managed and file.recurse under
# 'cachedir'/file_backups relative to their original location and appended
# with a timestamp. The only valid setting is "minion". Disabled by default.
# Alternatively this can be specified for each file in state files:
# /etc/ssh/sshd_config:
  file.managed:
     - source: salt://ssh/sshd_config
     - backup: minion
#backup_mode: minion
# When waiting for a master to accept the minion's public key, salt will
# continuously attempt to reconnect until successful. This is the time, in
# seconds, between those reconnection attempts.
#acceptance_wait_time: 10
# If this is nonzero, the time between reconnection attempts will increase by
# acceptance_wait_time seconds per iteration, up to this maximum. If this is
# set to zero, the time between reconnection attempts will stay constant.
#acceptance_wait_time_max: 0
# If the master rejects the minion's public key, retry instead exiting. Rejected keys
# # will be handled the same as waiting on acceptance.
#rejected_retry: False
# When the master key changes, the minion will try to re-auth itself to receive
# the new master key. In larger environments this can cause a SYN flood on the
# master because all minions try to re-auth immediately. To prevent this and
# have a minion wait for a random amount of time, use this optional parameter.
# The wait-time will be a random number of seconds between
# 0 and the defined value.
#random_reauth_delay: 60
# When waiting for a master to accept the minion's public key, salt will
# continuously attempt to reconnect until successful. This is the timeout value,
# in seconds, for each individual attempt. After this timeout expires, the minion
# will wait for acceptance_wait_time seconds before trying again.
# Unless your master is under unusually heavy load, this should be left at the default.
#auth_timeout: 3
# If you don't have any problems with syn-floods, dont bother with the
# three recon_* settings described below, just leave the defaults!
#
# The ZeroMQ pull-socket that binds to the masters publishing interface tries
# to reconnect immediately, if the socket is disconnected (for example if
# the master processes are restarted). In large setups this will have all
# minions reconnect immediately which might flood the master (the ZeroMQ-default
# is usually a 100ms delay). To prevent this, these three recon_* settings
# can be used.
# recon default: the interval in milliseconds that the socket should wait before
                 trying to reconnect to the master (100ms = 1 second)
# recon_max: the maximum time a socket should wait. each interval the time to wait
             is calculated by doubling the previous time. if recon_max is reached,
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it starts again at recon_default. Short example:
#
            reconnect 1: the socket will wait 'recon_default' milliseconds
#
             reconnect 2: 'recon_default' * 2
#
            reconnect 3: ('recon_default' * 2) * 2
             reconnect 4: value from previous interval * 2
             reconnect 5: value from previous interval * 2
             reconnect x: if value >= recon_max, it starts again with recon_default
# recon_randomize: generate a random wait time on minion start. The wait time will
                  be a random value between recon_default and recon_default +
                   recon_max. Having all minions reconnect with the same recon_default
                  and recon max value kind of defeats the purpose of being able to
#
                  change these settings. If all minions have the same values and your
#
                  setup is quite large (several thousand minions), they will still
                   flood the master. The desired behaviour is to have timeframe within
                   all minions try to reconnect.
# Example on how to use these settings:
# The goal: have all minions reconnect within a 60 second timeframe on a disconnect
#
# The settings:
#recon_default: 1000
#recon_max: 59000
#recon_randomize: True
# Each minion will have a randomized reconnect value between 'recon_default'
# and 'recon_default + recon_max', which in this example means between 1000ms
\# 60000ms (or between 1 and 60 seconds). The generated random-value will be
# doubled after each attempt to reconnect. Lets say the generated random
# value is 11 seconds (or 11000ms).
# reconnect 1: wait 11 seconds
# reconnect 2: wait 22 seconds
# reconnect 3: wait 33 seconds
# reconnect 4: wait 44 seconds
# reconnect 5: wait 55 seconds
# reconnect 6: wait time is bigger than 60 seconds (recon_default + recon_max)
# reconnect 7: wait 11 seconds
# reconnect 8: wait 22 seconds
# reconnect 9: wait 33 seconds
# reconnect x: etc.
# In a setup with ~6000 thousand hosts these settings would average the reconnects
# to about 100 per second and all hosts would be reconnected within 60 seconds.
#recon_default: 100
#recon max: 5000
#recon_randomize: False
# The loop_interval sets how long in seconds the minion will wait between
# evaluating the scheduler and running cleanup tasks. This defaults to a
# sane 60 seconds, but if the minion scheduler needs to be evaluated more
# often lower this value
#loop_interval: 60
# The grains_refresh_every setting allows for a minion to periodically check
# its grains to see if they have changed and, if so, to inform the master
# of the new grains. This operation is moderately expensive, therefore
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# care should be taken not to set this value too low.
# Note: This value is expressed in __minutes__!
# A value of 10 minutes is a reasonable default.
# If the value is set to zero, this check is disabled.
#grains_refresh_every: 1
# Cache grains on the minion. Default is False.
# grains_cache: False
# Grains cache expiration, in seconds. If the cache file is older than this
# number of seconds then the grains cache will be dumped and fully re-populated
# with fresh data. Defaults to 5 minutes. Will have no effect if 'grains_cache'
# is not enabled.
# grains_cache_expiration: 300
# When healing, a dns_check is run. This is to make sure that the originally
# resolved dns has not changed. If this is something that does not happen in
# your environment, set this value to False.
#dns_check: True
# Windows platforms lack posix IPC and must rely on slower TCP based inter-
# process communications. Set ipc_mode to 'tcp' on such systems
#ipc_mode: ipc
# Overwrite the default tcp ports used by the minion when in tcp mode
#tcp_pub_port: 4510
#tcp_pull_port: 4511
# The minion can include configuration from other files. To enable this,
# pass a list of paths to this option. The paths can be either relative or
# absolute; if relative, they are considered to be relative to the directory
# the main minion configuration file lives in (this file). Paths can make use
# of shell-style globbing. If no files are matched by a path passed to this
# option then the minion will log a warning message.
# Include a config file from some other path:
# include: /etc/salt/extra_config
# Include config from several files and directories:
#include:
# - /etc/salt/extra_config
  - /etc/roles/webserver
##### Minion module management
# Disable specific modules. This allows the admin to limit the level of
# access the master has to the minion
#disable modules: [cmd, test]
#disable_returners: []
# Modules can be loaded from arbitrary paths. This enables the easy deployment
# of third party modules. Modules for returners and minions can be loaded.
# Specify a list of extra directories to search for minion modules and
```

```
# returners. These paths must be fully qualified!
#module_dirs: []
#returner_dirs: []
#states_dirs: []
#render_dirs: []
# A module provider can be statically overwritten or extended for the minion
# via the providers option, in this case the default module will be
# overwritten by the specified module. In this example the pkg module will
# be provided by the yumpkg5 module instead of the system default.
#providers:
# pkg: yumpkg5
# Enable Cython modules searching and loading. (Default: False)
#cython_enable: False
# Specify a max size (in bytes) for modules on import
# this feature is currently only supported on *nix OSs and requires psutil
# modules_max_memory: -1
        State Management Settings
# The state management system executes all of the state templates on the minion
# to enable more granular control of system state management. The type of
# template and serialization used for state management needs to be configured
# on the minion, the default renderer is yaml_jinja. This is a yaml file
# rendered from a jinja template, the available options are:
# yaml_jinja
# yaml_mako
# yaml_wempy
# json_jinja
# json_mako
# json_wempy
#renderer: yaml_jinja
# The failhard option tells the minions to stop immediately after the first
# failure detected in the state execution, defaults to False
#failhard: False
# autoload dynamic modules Turns on automatic loading of modules found in the
# environments on the master. This is turned on by default, to turn of
# autoloading modules when states run set this value to False
#autoload_dynamic_modules: True
# clean_dynamic_modules keeps the dynamic modules on the minion in sync with
# the dynamic modules on the master, this means that if a dynamic module is
# not on the master it will be deleted from the minion. By default this is
# enabled and can be disabled by changing this value to False
#clean_dynamic_modules: True
# Normally the minion is not isolated to any single environment on the master
# when running states, but the environment can be isolated on the minion side
```

```
# by statically setting it. Remember that the recommended way to manage
# environments is to isolate via the top file.
#environment: None
# If using the local file directory, then the state top file name needs to be
# defined, by default this is top.sls.
#state_top: top.sls
# Run states when the minion daemon starts. To enable, set startup_states to:
# 'highstate' -- Execute state.highstate
# 'sls' -- Read in the sls_list option and execute the named sls files
# 'top' -- Read top_file option and execute based on that file on the Master
#startup_states: ''
# list of states to run when the minion starts up if startup_states is 'sls'
#sls_list:
# - edit.vim
# - hyper
# top file to execute if startup_states is 'top'
#top file: "
#####
       File Directory Settings
                                    #####
# The Salt Minion can redirect all file server operations to a local directory,
# this allows for the same state tree that is on the master to be used if
# copied completely onto the minion. This is a literal copy of the settings on
# the master but used to reference a local directory on the minion.
# Set the file client. The client defaults to looking on the master server for
# files, but can be directed to look at the local file directory setting
# defined below by setting it to local.
#file_client: remote
# The file directory works on environments passed to the minion, each environment
# can have multiple root directories, the subdirectories in the multiple file
# roots cannot match, otherwise the downloaded files will not be able to be
# reliably ensured. A base environment is required to house the top file.
# Example:
# file roots:
  base:
    - /srv/salt/
#
  dev:
    - /srv/salt/dev/services
    - /srv/salt/dev/states
   prod:
     - /srv/salt/prod/services
     - /srv/salt/prod/states
#file_roots:
# base:
    - /srv/salt
# By default, the Salt fileserver recurses fully into all defined environments
# to attempt to find files. To limit this behavior so that the fileserver only
# traverses directories with SLS files and special Salt directories like _modules,
# enable the option below. This might be useful for installations where a file root
# has a very large number of files and performance is negatively impacted.
```

```
# Default is False.
# fileserver_limit_traversal: False
# The hash_type is the hash to use when discovering the hash of a file in
# the local fileserver. The default is md5, but sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384
# and sha512 are also supported.
#hash_type: md5
# The Salt pillar is searched for locally if file_client is set to local. If
# this is the case, and pillar data is defined, then the pillar_roots need to
# also be configured on the minion:
#pillar roots:
# base:
  - /srv/pillar
             Security settings
                               #####
# Enable "open mode", this mode still maintains encryption, but turns off
# authentication, this is only intended for highly secure environments or for
# the situation where your keys end up in a bad state. If you run in open mode
# you do so at your own risk!
#open_mode: False
# Enable permissive access to the salt keys. This allows you to run the
# master or minion as root, but have a non-root group be given access to
# your pki_dir. To make the access explicit, root must belong to the group
# you've given access to. This is potentially quite insecure.
#permissive_pki_access: False
# The state_verbose and state_output settings can be used to change the way
# state system data is printed to the display. By default all data is printed.
# The state_verbose setting can be set to True or False, when set to False
# all data that has a result of True and no changes will be suppressed.
#state_verbose: True
# The state_output setting changes if the output is the full multi line
# output for each changed state if set to 'full', but if set to 'terse'
# the output will be shortened to a single line.
#state_output: full
# Fingerprint of the master public key to double verify the master is valid,
# the master fingerprint can be found by running "salt-key -F master" on the
# salt master.
#master_finger: ''
             Thread settings
######
                                   #####
# Disable multiprocessing support, by default when a minion receives a
# publication a new process is spawned and the command is executed therein.
#multiprocessing: True
#####
            Logging settings
                                  #####
# The location of the minion log file
# The minion log can be sent to a regular file, local path name, or network
# location. Remote logging works best when configured to use rsyslogd(8) (e.g.:
```

```
# ''file:///dev/log''), with rsyslogd(8) configured for network logging. The URI
# format is: <file|udp|tcp>://<host|socketpath>:<port-if-required>/<log-facility>
#log_file: /var/log/salt/minion
#log_file: file:///dev/log
#log_file: udp://loghost:10514
#log_file: /var/log/salt/minion
#key_logfile: /var/log/salt/key
# The level of messages to send to the console.
# One of 'garbage', 'trace', 'debug', info', 'warning', 'error', 'critical'.
# Default: 'warning'
#log_level: warning
# The level of messages to send to the log file.
# One of 'garbage', 'trace', 'debug', info', 'warning', 'error', 'critical'.
# Default: 'warning'
#log_level_logfile:
# The date and time format used in log messages. Allowed date/time formating
# can be seen here: http://docs.python.org/library/time.html#time.strftime
#log_datefmt: '%H:%M:%S'
#log_datefmt_logfile: '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'
# The format of the console logging messages. Allowed formatting options can
# be seen here: http://docs.python.org/library/logging.html#logrecord-attributes
#log_fmt_console: '[%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
#log_fmt_logfile: '%(asctime)s,%(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
# This can be used to control logging levels more specificically. This
# example sets the main salt library at the 'warning' level, but sets
# 'salt.modules' to log at the 'debug' level:
   log_granular_levels:
     'salt': 'warning',
     'salt.modules': 'debug'
#log_granular_levels: {}
######
           Module configuration
# Salt allows for modules to be passed arbitrary configuration data, any data
# passed here in valid yaml format will be passed on to the salt minion modules
# for use. It is STRONGLY recommended that a naming convention be used in which
# the module name is followed by a . and then the value. Also, all top level
# data must be applied via the yaml dict construct, some examples:
# You can specify that all modules should run in test mode:
#test: True
# A simple value for the test module:
#test.foo: foo
# A list for the test module:
#test.bar: [baz,quo]
# A dict for the test module:
#test.baz: {spam: sausage, cheese: bread}
```

```
######
           Update settings
# Using the features in Esky, a salt minion can both run as a frozen app and
# be updated on the fly. These options control how the update process
# (saltutil.update()) behaves.
# The url for finding and downloading updates. Disabled by default.
#update_url: False
# The list of services to restart after a successful update. Empty by default.
#update_restart_services: []
           Keepalive settings
# ZeroMQ now includes support for configuring SO_KEEPALIVE if supported by
# the OS. If connections between the minion and the master pass through
# a state tracking device such as a firewall or VPN gateway, there is
# the risk that it could tear down the connection the master and minion
# without informing either party that their connection has been taken away.
# Enabling TCP Keepalives prevents this from happening.
# Overall state of TCP Keepalives, enable (1 or True), disable (0 or False)
# or leave to the OS defaults (-1), on Linux, typically disabled. Default True, enabled.
#tcp_keepalive: True
# How long before the first keepalive should be sent in seconds. Default 300
# to send the first keepalive after 5 minutes, OS default (-1) is typically 7200 seconds
# on Linux see /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_keepalive_time.
#tcp_keepalive_idle: 300
\# How many lost probes are needed to consider the connection lost. Default -1
# to use OS defaults, typically 9 on Linux, see /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_keepalive_probes.
#tcp_keepalive_cnt: -1
# How often, in seconds, to send keepalives after the first one. Default -1 to
# use OS defaults, typically 75 seconds on Linux, see
# /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_keepalive_intvl.
#tcp_keepalive_intvl: -1
######
           Windows Software settings ######
# Location of the repository cache file on the master
#win_repo_cachefile: 'salt://win/repo/winrepo.p'
```

20.7 Configuring Salt

Salt configuration is very simple. The default configuration for the *master* will work for most installations and the only requirement for setting up a *minion* is to set the location of the master in the minion configuration file.

The configuration files will be installed to /etc/salt and are named after the respective components, /etc/salt/master and /etc/salt/minion.

20.7.1 Master Configuration

By default the Salt master listens on ports 4505 and 4506 on all interfaces (0.0.0.0). To bind Salt to a specific IP, redefine the "interface" directive in the master configuration file, typically /etc/salt/master, as follows:

```
- #interface: 0.0.0.0
+ interface: 10.0.0.1
```

After updating the configuration file, restart the Salt master. See the *master configuration reference* for more details about other configurable options.

20.7.2 Minion Configuration

Although there are many Salt Minion configuration options, configuring a Salt Minion is very simple. By default a Salt Minion will try to connect to the DNS name "salt"; if the Minion is able to resolve that name correctly, no configuration is needed.

If the DNS name "salt" does not resolve to point to the correct location of the Master, redefine the "master" directive in the minion configuration file, typically /etc/salt/minion, as follows:

```
- #master: salt
+ master: 10.0.0.1
```

After updating the configuration file, restart the Salt minion. See the *minion configuration reference* for more details about other configurable options.

20.7.3 Running Salt

1. Start the master in the foreground (to daemonize the process, pass the -d flag):

```
salt-master
```

2. Start the minion in the foreground (to daemonize the process, pass the -d flag):

```
salt-minion
```

Having trouble?

The simplest way to troubleshoot Salt is to run the master and minion in the foreground with log level set to debug:

```
salt-master --log-level=debug
```

For information on salt's logging system please see the *logging document*.

Run as an unprivileged (non-root) user

To run Salt as another user, set the user parameter in the master config file.

Additionally, ownership and permissions need to be set such that the desired user can read from and write to the following directories (and their subdirectories, where applicable):

- /etc/salt
- /var/cache/salt
- · /var/log/salt

More information about running salt as a non-privileged user can be found *here*.

There is also a full *troubleshooting guide* available.

20.7.4 Key Management

Salt uses AES encryption for all communication between the Master and the Minion. This ensures that the commands sent to the Minions cannot be tampered with, and that communication between Master and Minion is authenticated through trusted, accepted keys.

Before commands can be sent to a Minion, its key must be accepted on the Master. Run the salt-key command to list the keys known to the Salt Master:

```
[root@master ~] # salt-key -L
Unaccepted Keys:
alpha
bravo
charlie
delta
Accepted Keys:
```

This example shows that the Salt Master is aware of four Minions, but none of the keys has been accepted. To accept the keys and allow the Minions to be controlled by the Master, again use the salt-key command:

```
[root@master ~] # salt-key -A
[root@master ~] # salt-key -L
Unaccepted Keys:
Accepted Keys:
alpha
bravo
charlie
delta
```

The salt-key command allows for signing keys individually or in bulk. The example above, using -A bulk-accepts all pending keys. To accept keys individually use the lowercase of the same option, -a keyname.

See also:

salt-key manpage

20.7.5 Sending Commands

Communication between the Master and a Minion may be verified by running the test.ping command:

```
[root@master ~] # salt alpha test.ping
alpha:
    True
```

Communication between the Master and all Minions may be tested in a similar way:

```
[root@master ~] # salt '*' test.ping
alpha:
    True
bravo:
    True
charlie:
    True
```

```
delta:
True
```

Each of the Minions should send a True response as shown above.

20.7.6 What's Next?

Understanding *targeting* is important. From there, depending on the way you wish to use Salt, you should also proceed to learn about *States* and *Execution Modules*.

20.8 Configuring the Salt Master

The Salt system is amazingly simple and easy to configure, the two components of the Salt system each have a respective configuration file. The **salt-master** is configured via the master configuration file, and the **salt-minion** is configured via the minion configuration file.

See also:

example master configuration file

The configuration file for the salt-master is located at /etc/salt/master. The available options are as follows:

20.8.1 Primary Master Configuration

interface

Default: 0.0.0.0 (all interfaces)
The local interface to bind to.
interface: 192.168.0.1

ipv6

Default: False

Whether the master should listen for IPv6 connections. If this is set to True, the interface option must be adjusted too (for example: "interface: '::")

ipv6: True

publish_port

Default: 4505

The network port to set up the publication interface

publish_port: 4505

user

Default: root

The user to run the Salt processes

user: root

max open files

Default: max_open_files

Each minion connecting to the master uses AT LEAST one file descriptor, the master subscription connection. If enough minions connect you might start seeing on the console(and then salt-master crashes):

```
Too many open files (tcp_listener.cpp:335)
Aborted (core dumped)
```

By default this value will be the one of *ulimit -Hn*, i.e., the hard limit for max open files.

If you wish to set a different value than the default one, uncomment and configure this setting. Remember that this value CANNOT be higher than the hard limit. Raising the hard limit depends on your OS and/or distribution, a good way to find the limit is to search the internet for(for example):

```
raise max open files hard limit debian
max_open_files: 100000
```

worker_threads

Default: 5

The number of threads to start for receiving commands and replies from minions. If minions are stalling on replies because you have many minions, raise the worker_threads value.

Worker threads should not be put below 3 when using the peer system, but can drop down to 1 worker otherwise.

```
worker_threads: 5
```

ret_port

Default: 4506

The port used by the return server, this is the server used by Salt to receive execution returns and command executions.

```
ret_port: 4506
```

pidfile

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```
Default: /var/run/salt-master.pid
Specify the location of the master pidfile
pidfile: /var/run/salt-master.pid
```

root_dir

Default: /

The system root directory to operate from, change this to make Salt run from an alternative root.

root_dir: /

Note: This directory is prepended to the following options: pki_dir, cachedir, sock_dir, log_file, autosign_file, autoreject_file, pidfile.

pki_dir

Default: /etc/salt/pki

The directory to store the pki authentication keys.

pki_dir: /etc/salt/pki

extension_modules

Directory for custom modules. This directory can contain subdirectories for each of Salt's module types such as "runners", "output", "wheel", "modules", "states", "returners", etc. This path is appended to root_dir.

extension_modules: srv/modules

cachedir

Default: /var/cache/salt

The location used to store cache information, particularly the job information for executed salt commands.

cachedir: /var/cache/salt

verify_env

Default: True

Verify and set permissions on configuration directories at startup.

verify_env: True

keep_jobs

Default: 24

Set the number of hours to keep old job information

timeout

Default: 5

Set the default timeout for the salt command and api.

loop_interval

Default: 60

The loop_interval option controls the seconds for the master's maintenance process check cycle. This process updates file server backends, cleans the job cache and executes the scheduler.

output

Default: nested

Set the default outputter used by the salt command.

color

Default: True

By default output is colored, to disable colored output set the color value to False

color: False

sock_dir

Default: /var/run/salt/master

Set the location to use for creating Unix sockets for master process communication

sock_dir: /var/run/salt/master

enable_gpu_grains

Default: False

The master can take a while to start up when lspci and/or dmidecode is used to populate the grains for the master. Enable if you want to see GPU hardware data for your master.

job_cache

Default: True

The master maintains a job cache, while this is a great addition it can be a burden on the master for larger deployments (over 5000 minions). Disabling the job cache will make previously executed jobs unavailable to the jobs system and is not generally recommended. Normally it is wise to make sure the master has access to a faster IO system or a tmpfs is mounted to the jobs dir

minion_data_cache

Default: True

The minion data cache is a cache of information about the minions stored on the master, this information is primarily the pillar and grains data. The data is cached in the Master cachedir under the name of the minion and used to pre determine what minions are expected to reply from executions.

```
minion_data_cache: True
```

ext_job_cache

Default: ''

Used to specify a default returner for all minions, when this option is set the specified returner needs to be properly configured and the minions will always default to sending returns to this returner. This will also disable the local job cache on the master

```
ext_job_cache: redis
```

enforce_mine_cache

Default: False

By-default when disabling the minion_data_cache mine will stop working since it is based on cached data, by enabling this option we explicitly enabling only the cache for the mine system.

```
enforce_mine_cache: False
```

20.8.2 Master Security Settings

open_mode

Default: False

Open mode is a dangerous security feature. One problem encountered with pki authentication systems is that keys can become "mixed up" and authentication begins to fail. Open mode turns off authentication and tells the master to accept all authentication. This will clean up the pki keys received from the minions. Open mode should not be turned on for general use. Open mode should only be used for a short period of time to clean up pki keys. To turn on open mode set this value to True.

```
open_mode: False
```

auto_accept

Default: False

Enable auto_accept. This setting will automatically accept all incoming public keys from minions.

```
auto_accept: False
```

autosign_file

Default: not defined

If the autosign_file is specified incoming keys specified in the autosign_file will be automatically accepted. Matches will be searched for first by string comparison, then by globbing, then by full-string regex matching. This is insecure!

autoreject_file

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Default: not defined

Works like autosign_file, but instead allows you to specify minion IDs for which keys will automatically be rejected. Will override both membership in the autosign_file and the auto_accept setting.

client_acl

Default: {}

Enable user accounts on the master to execute specific modules. These modules can be expressed as regular expressions

```
client_acl:
    fred:
        - test.ping
        - pkg.*
```

client_acl_blacklist

Default: {}

Blacklist users or modules

This example would blacklist all non sudo users, including root from running any commands. It would also blacklist any use of the "cmd" module.

This is completely disabled by default.

```
client_acl_blacklist:
    users:
    - root
    - '^(?!sudo_).*$' # all non sudo users
modules:
    - cmd
```

external_auth

Default: {}

The external auth system uses the Salt auth modules to authenticate and validate users to access areas of the Salt system.

```
external_auth:
   pam:
    fred:
        - test.*
```

token_expire

Default: 43200

Time (in seconds) for a newly generated token to live. Default: 12 hours

```
token_expire: 43200
```

file recv

Default: False

Allow minions to push files to the master. This is disabled by default, for security purposes.

```
file_recv: False
```

20.8.3 Master Module Management

runner_dirs

Default: []

Set additional directories to search for runner modules

cython_enable

Default: False

Set to true to enable cython modules (.pyx files) to be compiled on the fly on the Salt master

```
cython_enable: False
```

20.8.4 Master State System Settings

state_top

Default: top.sls

The state system uses a "top" file to tell the minions what environment to use and what modules to use. The state_top file is defined relative to the root of the base environment

```
state_top: top.sls
```

master_tops

Default: {}

The master_tops option replaces the external_nodes option by creating a plugable system for the generation of external top data. The external_nodes option is deprecated by the master_tops option. To gain the capabilities of the classic external_nodes system, use the following configuration:

```
master_tops:
    ext_nodes: <Shell command which returns yaml>
```

external nodes

Default: None

The external_nodes option allows Salt to gather data that would normally be placed in a top file from and external node controller. The external_nodes option is the executable that will return the ENC data. Remember that Salt will look for external nodes AND top files and combine the results if both are enabled and available!

```
external_nodes: cobbler-ext-nodes
```

renderer

Default: yaml_jinja

The renderer to use on the minions to render the state data

```
renderer: yaml_jinja
```

failhard

Default: False

Set the global failhard flag, this informs all states to stop running states at the moment a single state fails

```
failhard: False
```

state_verbose

Default: True

Controls the verbosity of state runs. By default, the results of all states are returned, but setting this value to False will cause salt to only display output for states which either failed, or succeeded without making any changes to the minion.

```
state_verbose: False
```

state_output

Default: full

The state_output setting changes if the output is the full multi line output for each changed state if set to 'full', but if set to 'terse' the output will be shortened to a single line. If set to 'mixed', the output will be terse unless a state failed, in which case that output will be full. If set to 'changes', the output will be full unless the state didn't change.

```
state_output: full
```

yaml_utf8

Default: False

Enable extra yaml render routines for states containing UTF characters

```
yaml_utf8: False
```

test

Default: False

Set all state calls to only test if they are going to actually make changes or just post what changes are going to be made

test: False

20.8.5 Master File Server Settings

fileserver_backend

Default:

```
fileserver_backend:
    - roots
```

Salt supports a modular fileserver backend system, this system allows the salt master to link directly to third party systems to gather and manage the files available to minions. Multiple backends can be configured and will be searched for the requested file in the order in which they are defined here. The default setting only enables the standard backend roots, which is configured using the file_roots option.

Example:

```
fileserver_backend:
  - roots
  - git
```

hash_type

Default: md5

The hash_type is the hash to use when discovering the hash of a file on the master server. The default is md5, but sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384 and sha512 are also supported.

```
hash_type: md5
```

file_buffer_size

Default: 1048576

The buffer size in the file server in bytes

```
file_buffer_size: 1048576
```

file_ignore_regex

Default: ''

A regular expression (or a list of expressions) that will be matched against the file path before syncing the modules and states to the minions. This includes files affected by the file recurse state. For example, if you manage your custom modules and states in subversion and don't want all the '.svn' folders and content synced to your minions, you could set this to '/.svn(\$|/)'. By default nothing is ignored.

```
file_ignore_regex:
    - '/\.svn($|/)'
    - '/\.git($|/)'
```

file_ignore_glob

Default ''

A file glob (or list of file globs) that will be matched against the file path before syncing the modules and states to the minions. This is similar to file_ignore_regex above, but works on globs instead of regex. By default nothing is ignored.

```
file_ignore_glob:
    '\*.pyc'
    '\*/somefolder/\*.bak'
    '\*.swp'
```

roots: Master's Local File Server

file_roots

Default:

```
base:
    - /srv/salt
```

Salt runs a lightweight file server written in ZeroMQ to deliver files to minions. This file server is built into the master daemon and does not require a dedicated port.

The file server works on environments passed to the master. Each environment can have multiple root directories. The subdirectories in the multiple file roots cannot match, otherwise the downloaded files will not be able to be reliably ensured. A base environment is required to house the top file. Example:

```
file_roots:
    base:
        - /srv/salt
    dev:
        - /srv/salt/dev/services
        - /srv/salt/dev/states
    prod:
        - /srv/salt/prod/services
        - /srv/salt/prod/states
```

git: Git Remote File Server Backend

gitfs_remotes

Default: []

When using the git fileserver backend at least one git remote needs to be defined. The user running the salt master will need read access to the repo.

The repos will be searched in order to find the file requested by a client and the first repo to have the file will return it. Branches and tags are translated into salt environments.

```
gitfs_remotes:
    - git://github.com/saltstack/salt-states.git
    - file:///var/git/saltmaster
```

Note: file://repos will be treated as a remote, so refs you want used must exist in that repo as local refs.

Note: As of the upcoming **Helium** release (and right now in the development branch), it is possible to have per-repo versions of the <code>gitfs_root</code> and <code>gitfs_mountpoint</code> parameters. For example:

```
gitfs_remotes:
    - https://foo.com/foo.git
    - https://foo.com/bar.git:
    - root: salt
    - mountpoint: salt://foo/bar/baz
    - https://foo.com/baz.git:
    - root: salt/states
```

gitfs_provider

New in version Helium.

Gitfs can be provided by one of two python modules: GitPython or pygit2. If using pygit2, both libgit2 and git itself must also be installed. More information can be found in the gitfs backend documentation.

```
gitfs_provider: pygit2
```

gitfs ssl verify

Default: []

The gitfs_ssl_verify option specifies whether to ignore ssl certificate errors when contacting the gitfs backend. You might want to set this to false if you're using a git backend that uses a self-signed certificate but keep in mind that setting this flag to anything other than the default of True is a security concern, you may want to try using the ssh transport.

```
gitfs_ssl_verify: True
```

gitfs_mountpoint

New in version Helium.

Default: ''

Specifies a path on the salt fileserver from which gitfs remotes are served. Can be used in conjunction with gitfs_root. Can also be configured on a per-remote basis, see here for more info.

```
gitfs_mountpoint: salt://foo/bar
```

Note: The salt:// protocol designation can be left off (in other words, foo/bar and salt://foo/bar are equivalent).

gitfs_root

Default: ''

Serve files from a subdirectory within the repository, instead of the root. This is useful when there are files in the repository that should not be available to the Salt fileserver. Can be used in conjunction with gitfs_mountpoint.

```
gitfs_root: somefolder/otherfolder
```

Changed in version Helium: Ability to specify gitfs roots on a per-remote basis was added. See here for more info.

gitfs_base

Default: master

Defines which branch/tag should be used as the base environment.

```
gitfs_base: salt
```

gitfs_env_whitelist

New in version Helium.

Default: []

Used to restrict which environments are made available. Can speed up state runs if your gitfs remotes contain many branches/tags. Full names, globs, and regular expressions are accepted.

If used, only branches/tags/SHAs which match one of the specified expressions will be exposed as fileserver environments.

If used in conjunction with <code>gitfs_env_blacklist</code>, then the subset of hosts which match the whitelist but do *not* match the blacklist will be exposed as fileserver environments.

gitfs_env_blacklist

New in version Helium.

Default: []

Used to restrict which environments are made available. Can speed up state runs if your gitfs remotes contain many branches/tags. Full names, globs, and regular expressions are accepted.

If used, branches/tags/SHAs which match one of the specified expressions will *not* be exposed as fileserver environments.

If used in conjunction with gitfs_env_whitelist, then the subset of hosts which match the whitelist but do *not* match the blacklist will be exposed as fileserver environments.

```
gitfs_env_blacklist:
    base
    v1.*
    'mybranch\d+'
```

hg: Mercurial Remote File Server Backend

hgfs_remotes

New in version 0.17.0.

Default: []

When using the hg fileserver backend at least one mercurial remote needs to be defined. The user running the salt master will need read access to the repo.

The repos will be searched in order to find the file requested by a client and the first repo to have the file will return it. Branches and/or bookmarks are translated into salt environments, as defined by the hgfs_branch_method parameter.

```
hgfs_remotes:
    - https://username@bitbucket.org/username/reponame
```

Note: As of the upcoming **Helium** release (and right now in the development branch), it is possible to have per-repo versions of the hgfs_root and hgfs_mountpoint parameters. For example:

```
hgfs_remotes:
    https://username@bitbucket.org/username/repo1
    https://username@bitbucket.org/username/repo2:
        root: salt
        mountpoint: salt://foo/bar/baz
    https://username@bitbucket.org/username/repo3:
        root: salt/states
```

hgfs_branch_method

New in version 0.17.0.

Default: branches

Defines the objects that will be used as fileserver environments.

- branches Only branches and tags will be used
- bookmarks Only bookmarks and tags will be used
- mixed Branches, bookmarks, and tags will be used

hgfs_branch_method: mixed

Note: Starting in version 2014.1.0 (Hydrogen), the value of the hgfs_base parameter defines which branch is used as the base environment, allowing for a base environment to be used with an hgfs_branch_method of bookmarks.

Prior to this release, the default branch will be used as the base environment.

hgfs_mountpoint

New in version Helium.

Default: ''

Specifies a path on the salt fileserver from which hgfs remotes are served. Can be used in conjunction with hgfs_root. Can also be configured on a per-remote basis, see here for more info.

```
hgfs_mountpoint: salt://foo/bar
```

Note: The salt:// protocol designation can be left off (in other words, foo/bar and salt://foo/bar are equivalent).

hgfs_root

New in version 0.17.0.

Default: ''

Serve files from a subdirectory within the repository, instead of the root. This is useful when there are files in the repository that should not be available to the Salt fileserver. Can be used in conjunction with hgfs_mountpoint.

```
hgfs_root: somefolder/otherfolder
```

Changed in version Helium: Ability to specify hgfs roots on a per-remote basis was added. See here for more info.

hgfs_base

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Default: default

Defines which branch should be used as the base environment. Change this if hgfs_branch_method is set to bookmarks to specify which bookmark should be used as the base environment.

```
hgfs_base: salt
```

syn: Subversion Remote File Server Backend

svnfs_remotes

New in version 0.17.0.

Default: []

When using the svn fileserver backend at least one subversion remote needs to be defined. The user running the salt master will need read access to the repo.

The repos will be searched in order to find the file requested by a client and the first repo to have the file will return it. The trunk, branches, and tags become environments, with the trunk being the base environment.

```
svnfs_remotes:
    - svn://foo.com/svn/myproject
```

Note: As of the upcoming **Helium** release (and right now in the development branch), it is possible to have per-repo versions of the following configuration parameters:

- svnfs_root
- svnfs_mountpoint
- svnfs_trunk

- svnfs branches
- svnfs_tags

For example:

```
svnfs_remotes:
    - svn://foo.com/svn/project1
    - svn://foo.com/svn/project2:
          - root: salt
          - mountpoint: salt://foo/bar/baz
          - svn//foo.com/svn/project3:
          - root: salt/states
          - branches: branch
          - tags: tag
```

svnfs_mountpoint

New in version Helium.

Default: ''

Specifies a path on the salt fileserver from which svnfs remotes are served. Can be used in conjunction with svnfs_root. Can also be configured on a per-remote basis, see here for more info.

```
svnfs_mountpoint: salt://foo/bar
```

Note: The salt:// protocol designation can be left off (in other words, foo/bar and salt://foo/bar are equivalent).

svnfs_root

New in version 0.17.0.

Default: ''

Serve files from a subdirectory within the repository, instead of the root. This is useful when there are files in the repository that should not be available to the Salt fileserver. Can be used in conjunction with svnfs_mountpoint.

```
svnfs_root: somefolder/otherfolder
```

Changed in version Helium: Ability to specify svnfs roots on a per-remote basis was added. See here for more info.

svnfs_trunk

New in version Helium.

Default: trunk

Path relative to the root of the repository where the trunk is located. Can also be configured on a per-remote basis, see here for more info.

```
svnfs_trunk: trunk
```

synfs branches

New in version Helium.

Default: branches

Path relative to the root of the repository where the branches are located. Can also be configured on a per-remote basis, see here for more info.

```
svnfs_branches: branches
```

svnfs_tags

New in version Helium.

Default: tags

Path relative to the root of the repository where the tags is located. Can also be configured on a per-remote basis, see here for more info.

```
svnfs_tags: tags
```

20.8.6 Pillar Configuration

pillar_roots

Default:

```
base:
    - /srv/pillar
```

Set the environments and directories used to hold pillar sls data. This configuration is the same as file_roots:

```
pillar_roots:
   base:
    - /srv/pillar
   dev:
    - /srv/pillar/dev
   prod:
    - /srv/pillar/prod
```

ext_pillar

The ext_pillar option allows for any number of external pillar interfaces to be called when populating pillar data. The configuration is based on ext_pillar functions. The available ext_pillar functions can be found herein:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/pillar

By default, the ext_pillar interface is not configured to run.

Default: None

```
ext_pillar:
    - hiera: /etc/hiera.yaml
    - cmd_yaml: cat /etc/salt/yaml
    - reclass:
        inventory_base_uri: /etc/reclass
```

There are additional details at Pillars

20.8.7 Syndic Server Settings

A Salt syndic is a Salt master used to pass commands from a higher Salt master to minions below the syndic. Using the syndic is simple. If this is a master that will have syndic servers(s) below it, set the "order_masters" setting to True. If this is a master that will be running a syndic daemon for passthrough the "syndic_master" setting needs to be set to the location of the master server

Do not not forget that in other word it means that it shares with the local minion it's ID and PKI_DIR.

order_masters

Default: False

Extra data needs to be sent with publications if the master is controlling a lower level master via a syndic minion. If this is the case the order masters value must be set to True

```
order_masters: False
```

syndic_master

Default: None

If this master will be running a salt-syndic to connect to a higher level master, specify the higher level master with this configuration value

```
syndic_master: masterofmasters
```

syndic_master_port

Default: 4506

If this master will be running a salt-syndic to connect to a higher level master, specify the higher level master port with this configuration value

```
syndic_master_port: 4506
```

syndic_pidfile

Default: salt-syndic.pid

If this master will be running a salt-syndic to connect to a higher level master, specify the pidfile of the syndic daemon.

```
syndic_pidfile: syndic.pid
```

syndic_log_file

Default: syndic.log

If this master will be running a salt-syndic to connect to a higher level master, specify the log_file of the syndic daemon.

```
syndic_log_file: salt-syndic.log
```

20.8.8 Peer Publish Settings

Salt minions can send commands to other minions, but only if the minion is allowed to. By default "Peer Publication" is disabled, and when enabled it is enabled for specific minions and specific commands. This allows secure compartmentalization of commands based on individual minions.

peer

Default: {}

The configuration uses regular expressions to match minions and then a list of regular expressions to match functions. The following will allow the minion authenticated as foo.example.com to execute functions from the test and pkg modules

```
peer:
   foo.example.com:
        - test.*
        - pkq.*
```

This will allow all minions to execute all commands:

```
peer:
.*:
```

This is not recommended, since it would allow anyone who gets root on any single minion to instantly have root on all of the minions!

By adding an additional layer you can limit the target hosts in addition to the accessible commands:

```
peer:
   foo.example.com:
    'db*':
        - test.*
        - pkg.*
```

peer_run

Default: {}

The peer_run option is used to open up runners on the master to access from the minions. The peer_run configuration matches the format of the peer configuration.

The following example would allow foo.example.com to execute the manage.up runner:

20.8.9 Master Logging Settings

log_file

Default: /var/log/salt/master

The master log can be sent to a regular file, local path name, or network location. See also log_file.

Examples:

```
log_file: /var/log/salt/master
log_file: file:///dev/log
log_file: udp://loghost:10514
```

log_level

Default: warning

The level of messages to send to the console. See also log_level.

```
log_level: warning
```

log_level_logfile

Default: warning

The level of messages to send to the log file. See also log_level_logfile.

```
log_level_logfile: warning
```

log_datefmt

Default: %H:%M:%S

The date and time format used in console log messages. See also log_datefmt.

```
log_datefmt: '%H:%M:%S'
```

log_datefmt_logfile

```
Default: %Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S
```

The date and time format used in log file messages. See also log_datefmt_logfile.

```
log_datefmt_logfile: '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'
```

log_fmt_console

```
Default: [%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s
```

The format of the console logging messages. See also log_fmt_console.

```
log_fmt_console: '[%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
```

log_fmt_logfile

```
Default: %(asctime)s, %(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s
```

The format of the log file logging messages. See also log_fmt_logfile.

```
log_fmt_logfile: '%(asctime)s,%(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
```

log_granular_levels

Default: {}

This can be used to control logging levels more specifically. See also log_granular_levels.

20.8.10 Node Groups

Default: {}

Node groups allow for logical groupings of minion nodes. A group consists of a group name and a compound target.

```
nodegroups
```

```
group1: 'L@foo.domain.com,bar.domain.com,baz.domain.com or bl*.domain.com'
group2: 'G@os:Debian and foo.domain.com'
```

20.8.11 Range Cluster Settings

range_server

Default: ''

The range server (and optional port) that serves your cluster information https://github.com/grierj/range/wiki/Introduction-to-Range-with-YAML-files

```
range_server: range:80
```

20.8.12 Include Configuration

default include

Default: master.d/*.conf

The master can include configuration from other files. Per default the master will automatically include all config files from master.d/*.conf where master.d is relative to the directory of the master configuration file.

include

Default: not defined

The master can include configuration from other files. To enable this, pass a list of paths to this option. The paths can be either relative or absolute; if relative, they are considered to be relative to the directory the main minion configuration file lives in. Paths can make use of shell-style globbing. If no files are matched by a path passed to this option then the master will log a warning message.

```
# Include files from a master.d directory in the same
# directory as the master config file
include: master.d/*

# Include a single extra file into the configuration
include: /etc/roles/webserver

# Include several files and the master.d directory
include:
    - extra_config
    - master.d/*
    - /etc/roles/webserver
```

20.8.13 Windows Software Repo Settings

20.9 Configuring the Salt Minion

The Salt system is amazingly simple and easy to configure, the two components of the Salt system each have a respective configuration file. The **salt-master** is configured via the master configuration file, and the **salt-minion** is configured via the minion configuration file.

See also:

example minion configuration file

The Salt Minion configuration is very simple, typically the only value that needs to be set is the master value so the minion can find its master.

20.9.1 Minion Primary Configuration

master

Default: salt

The hostname or ipv4 of the master.

master: salt

master_port

Default: 4506

The port of the master ret server, this needs to coincide with the ret_port option on the Salt master.

```
master_port: 4506
```

user

Default: root

The user to run the Salt processes

user: root

pidfile

```
Default: /var/run/salt-minion.pid
The location of the daemon's process ID file
pidfile: /var/run/salt-minion.pid
```

root_dir

Default: /

This directory is prepended to the following options: pki_dir, cachedir, log_file, sock_dir, and pidfile.

```
root_dir: /
```

pki_dir

Default: /etc/salt/pki

The directory used to store the minion's public and private keys.

pki_dir: /etc/salt/pki

id

Default: the system's hostname

See also:

Salt Walkthrough

The Setting up a Salt Minion section contains detailed information on how the hostname is determined.

Explicitly declare the id for this minion to use. Since Salt uses detached ids it is possible to run multiple minions on the same machine but with different ids.

id: foo.bar.com

append domain

Default: None

Append a domain to a hostname in the event that it does not exist. This is useful for systems where socket.getfqdn() does not actually result in a FQDN (for instance, Solaris).

append_domain: foo.org

cachedir

Default: /var/cache/salt

The location for minion cache data.

cachedir: /var/cache/salt

verify_env

Default: True

Verify and set permissions on configuration directories at startup.

verify_env: True

Note: When marked as True the verify_env option requires WRITE access to the configuration directory (/etc/salt/). In certain situations such as mounting /etc/salt/ as read-only for templating this will create a stack trace when state.highstate is called.

cache_jobs

Default: False

The minion can locally cache the return data from jobs sent to it, this can be a good way to keep track of the minion side of the jobs the minion has executed. By default this feature is disabled, to enable set cache_jobs to True.

```
cache_jobs: False
```

sock_dir

Default: /var/run/salt/minion

The directory where Unix sockets will be kept.

```
sock_dir: /var/run/salt/minion
```

backup_mode

Default: []

Backup files replaced by file.managed and file.recurse under cachedir.

```
backup_mode: minion
```

acceptance_wait_time

Default: 10

The number of seconds to wait until attempting to re-authenticate with the master.

```
acceptance_wait_time: 10
```

random_reauth_delay

When the master key changes, the minion will try to re-auth itself to receive the new master key. In larger environments this can cause a syn-flood on the master because all minions try to re-auth immediately. To prevent this and have a minion wait for a random amount of time, use this optional parameter. The wait-time will be a random number of seconds between 0 and the defined value.

```
random_reauth_delay: 60
```

acceptance_wait_time_max

Default: None

The maximum number of seconds to wait until attempting to re-authenticate with the master. If set, the wait will increase by acceptance_wait_time seconds each iteration.

```
acceptance_wait_time_max: None
```

dns_check

Default: True

When healing, a dns_check is run. This is to make sure that the originally resolved dns has not changed. If this is something that does not happen in your environment, set this value to False.

```
dns_check: True
```

ipc_mode

Default: ipc

Windows platforms lack POSIX IPC and must rely on slower TCP based inter-process communications. Set ipc_mode to tcp on such systems.

```
ipc_mode: ipc
```

tcp_pub_port

Default: 4510

Publish port used when ipc_mode is set to tcp.

```
tcp_pub_port: 4510
```

tcp_pull_port

Default: 4511

Pull port used when ipc_mode is set to tcp.

```
tcp_pull_port: 4511
```

20.9.2 Minion Module Management

disable_modules

Default: [] (all modules are enabled by default)

The event may occur in which the administrator desires that a minion should not be able to execute a certain module. The sys module is built into the minion and cannot be disabled.

This setting can also tune the minion, as all modules are loaded into ram disabling modules will lover the minion's ram footprint.

```
disable_modules:
    - test
    - solr
```

disable_returners Default: [] (all returners are enabled by default) If certain returners should be disabled, this is the place disable_returners: - mongo_return module_dirs Default: [] A list of extra directories to search for Salt modules module_dirs: - /var/lib/salt/modules returner_dirs Default: [] A list of extra directories to search for Salt returners returners_dirs: - /var/lib/salt/returners states_dirs Default: [] A list of extra directories to search for Salt states states_dirs: - /var/lib/salt/states grains_dirs Default: [] A list of extra directories to search for Salt grains grains_dirs: - /var/lib/salt/grains

render_dirs

Default: []

A list of extra directories to search for Salt renderers

```
render_dirs:
   - /var/lib/salt/renderers
```

cython_enable

Default: False

Set this value to true to enable auto-loading and compiling of .pyx modules, This setting requires that gcc and cython are installed on the minion

```
cython_enable: False
```

providers

Default: (empty)

A module provider can be statically overwritten or extended for the minion via the providers option. This can be done *on an individual basis in an SLS file*, or globally here in the minion config, like below.

```
providers:
   service: systemd
```

20.9.3 State Management Settings

renderer

Default: yaml_jinja

The default renderer used for local state executions

```
renderer: yaml_jinja
```

state_verbose

Default: False

state_verbose allows for the data returned from the minion to be more verbose. Normally only states that fail or states that have changes are returned, but setting state_verbose to True will return all states that were checked

```
state_verbose: True
```

state_output

Default: full

The state_output setting changes if the output is the full multi line output for each changed state if set to 'full', but if set to 'terse' the output will be shortened to a single line.

```
state_output: full
```

autoload_dynamic_modules

Default: True

autoload_dynamic_modules Turns on automatic loading of modules found in the environments on the master. This is turned on by default, to turn of auto-loading modules when states run set this value to False

```
autoload_dynamic_modules: True
```

Default: True

clean_dynamic_modules keeps the dynamic modules on the minion in sync with the dynamic modules on the master, this means that if a dynamic module is not on the master it will be deleted from the minion. By default this is enabled and can be disabled by changing this value to False

```
clean_dynamic_modules: True
```

environment

Default: None

Normally the minion is not isolated to any single environment on the master when running states, but the environment can be isolated on the minion side by statically setting it. Remember that the recommended way to manage environments is to isolate via the top file.

```
environment: None
```

20.9.4 File Directory Settings

file client

Default: remote

The client defaults to looking on the master server for files, but can be directed to look on the minion by setting this parameter to local.

```
file_client: remote
```

file_roots

Default:

```
base:
    - /srv/salt
```

When using a local file_client, this parameter is used to setup the fileserver's environments. This parameter operates identically to the master config parameter of the same name.

```
file_roots:
    base:
        - /srv/salt
    dev:
        - /srv/salt/dev/services
        - /srv/salt/dev/states
    prod:
        - /srv/salt/prod/services
        - /srv/salt/prod/states
```

hash_type

Default: md5

The hash_type is the hash to use when discovering the hash of a file on the local fileserver. The default is md5, but sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384 and sha512 are also supported.

```
hash_type: md5
```

pillar_roots

Default:

```
base:
    - /srv/pillar
```

When using a local file_client, this parameter is used to setup the pillar environments.

```
pillar_roots:
   base:
     - /srv/pillar
   dev:
     - /srv/pillar/dev
   prod:
     - /srv/pillar/prod
```

20.9.5 Security Settings

open_mode

Default: False

Open mode can be used to clean out the PKI key received from the Salt master, turn on open mode, restart the minion, then turn off open mode and restart the minion to clean the keys.

```
open_mode: False
```

20.9.6 Thread Settings

Default: True

Disable multiprocessing support by default when a minion receives a publication a new process is spawned and the command is executed therein.

```
multiprocessing: True
```

20.9.7 Minion Logging Settings

log_file

Default: /var/log/salt/minion

The minion log can be sent to a regular file, local path name, or network location. See also log_file.

```
Examples:
log_file: /var/log/salt/minion
log_file: file://dev/log
log_file: udp://loghost:10514
log_level
Default: warning
The level of messages to send to the console. See also log_level.
log_level: warning
log_level_logfile
Default: warning
The level of messages to send to the log file. See also log_level_logfile.
log_level_logfile: warning
log_datefmt
Default: %H:%M:%S
The date and time format used in console log messages. See also log_datefmt.
log_datefmt: '%H:%M:%S'
log_datefmt_logfile
Default: %Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S
The date and time format used in log file messages. See also log_datefmt_logfile.
log_datefmt_logfile: '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'
log_fmt_console
Default: [%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s
```

The format of the console logging messages. See also log_fmt_console.

log_fmt_console: '[%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'

log_fmt_logfile

```
Default: %(asctime)s, %(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s
The format of the log file logging messages. See also log_fmt_logfile.
log_fmt_logfile: '%(asctime)s,%(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
log_granular_levels
```

Default: {}

This can be used to control logging levels more specifically. See also log_granular_levels.

20.9.8 Include Configuration

default_include

Default: minion.d/*.conf

The minion can include configuration from other files. Per default the minion will automatically include all config files from minion.d/*.conf where minion.d is relative to the directory of the minion configuration file.

include

Default: not defined

The minion can include configuration from other files. To enable this, pass a list of paths to this option. The paths can be either relative or absolute; if relative, they are considered to be relative to the directory the main minion configuration file lives in. Paths can make use of shell-style globbing. If no files are matched by a path passed to this option then the minion will log a warning message.

```
# Include files from a minion.d directory in the same
# directory as the minion config file
include: minion.d/*.conf
# Include a single extra file into the configuration
include: /etc/roles/webserver
# Include several files and the minion.d directory
include:
  - extra_config
  - minion.d/*

    /etc/roles/webserver
```

20.9.9 Frozen Build Update Settings

These options control how salt.modules.saltutil.update() works with esky frozen apps. For more information look at https://github.com/cloudmatrix/esky/.

update url

Default: False (Update feature is disabled)

The url to use when looking for application updates. Esky depends on directory listings to search for new versions. A webserver running on your Master is a good starting point for most setups.

```
update_url: 'http://salt.example.com/minion-updates'
```

update_restart_services

Default: [] (service restarting on update is disabled)

A list of services to restart when the minion software is updated. This would typically just be a list containing the minion's service name, but you may have other services that need to go with it.

```
update_restart_services: ['salt-minion']
```

20.10 Running the Salt Master/Minion as an Unprivileged User

While the default setup runs the master and minion as the root user, some may consider it an extra measure of security to run the master as a non-root user. Keep in mind that doing so does not change the master's capability to access minions as the user they are running as. Due to this many feel that running the master as a non-root user does not grant any real security advantage which is why the master has remained as root by default.

Note: Some of Salt's operations cannot execute corectly when the master is not running as root, specifically the pam external auth system, as this system needs root access to check authentication.

As of Salt 0.9.10 it is possible to run Salt as a non-root user. This can be done by setting the user parameter in the master configuration file. and restarting the salt-master service.

The minion has it's own user parameter as well, but running the minion as an unprivileged user will keep it from making changes to things like users, installed packages, etc. unless access controls (sudo, etc.) are setup on the minion to permit the non-root user to make the needed changes.

In order to allow Salt to successfully run as a non-root user, ownership and permissions need to be set such that the desired user can read from and write to the following directories (and their subdirectories, where applicable):

- /etc/salt
- /var/cache/salt
- /var/log/salt

Ownership can be easily changed with chown, like so:

```
# chown -R user /etc/salt /var/cache/salt /var/log/salt
```

Warning: Running either the master or minion with the root_dir parameter specified will affect these paths, as will setting options like pki_dir, cachedir, log_file, and other options that normally live in the above directories.

20.11 Logging

The salt project tries to get the logging to work for you and help us solve any issues you might find along the way.

If you want to get some more information on the nitty-gritty of salt's logging system, please head over to the *logging* development document, if all you're after is salt's logging configurations, please continue reading.

20.11.1 Available Configuration Settings

log file

The log records can be sent to a regular file, local path name, or network location. Remote logging works best when configured to use rsyslogd(8) (e.g.: file:///dev/log), with rsyslogd(8) configured for network logging. The format for remote addresses is: file:dev/log.

Default: Dependent of the binary being executed, for example, for salt-master, /var/log/salt/master.

Examples:

```
log_file: /var/log/salt/master
log_file: /var/log/salt/minion
log_file: file:///dev/log
log_file: udp://loghost:10514
```

log_level

Default: warning

The level of log record messages to send to the console. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, critical, quiet.

```
log_level: warning
```

log_level_logfile

Default: warning

The level of messages to send to the log file. One of all, garbage, trace, debug, info, warning, error, critical, quiet.

```
log_level_logfile: warning
```

log_datefmt

Default: %H:%M:%S

The date and time format used in console log messages. Allowed date/time formatting can be seen on time.strftime.

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```
log_datefmt: '%H:%M:%S'
```

log_datefmt_logfile

```
Default: %Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S
```

The date and time format used in log file messages. Allowed date/time formatting can be seen on time.strftime.

```
log_datefmt_logfile: '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'
```

log_fmt_console

```
Default: [%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s
```

The format of the console logging messages. Allowed formatting options can be seen on the *LogRecord attributes*.

```
log_fmt_console: '[%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
```

log_fmt_logfile

```
Default: % (asctime) s, % (msecs) 03.0f [% (name) -17s] [% (levelname) -8s] % (message) s
```

The format of the log file logging messages. Allowed formatting options can be seen on the *LogRecord attributes*.

```
log_fmt_logfile: '%(asctime)s,%(msecs)03.0f [%(name)-17s][%(levelname)-8s] %(message)s'
```

log_granular_levels

```
Default: {}
```

This can be used to control logging levels more specifically. The example sets the main salt library at the 'warning' level, but sets salt.modules to log at the debug level:

```
log_granular_levels:
    'salt': 'warning',
    'salt.modules': 'debug'
```

External Logging Handlers

Besides the internal logging handlers used by salt, there are some external which can be used, see the *external logging handlers* document.

20.12 External Logging Handlers

logstash_mod	Logstash Logging Handler
sentry mod	Sentry Logging Handler

20.12.1 Logstash Logging Handler

New in version 0.17.0.

This module provides some Logstash logging handlers.

UDP Logging Handler

For versions of Logstash before 1.2.0:

In the salt configuration file:

```
logstash_udp_handler:
  host: 127.0.0.1
  port: 9999
  version: 0
```

In the Logstash configuration file:

```
input {
  udp {
    type => "udp-type"
    format => "json_event"
  }
}
```

For version 1.2.0 of Logstash and newer:

In the salt configuration file:

```
logstash_udp_handler:
host: 127.0.0.1
port: 9999
version: 1
```

In the Logstash configuration file:

```
input {
  udp {
    port => 9999
    codec => json
  }
}
```

Please read the UDP input configuration page for additional information.

ZeroMQ Logging Handler

For versions of Logstash before 1.2.0:

In the salt configuration file:

```
logstash_zmq_handler:
  address: tcp://127.0.0.1:2021
  version: 0
```

In the Logstash configuration file:

```
input {
  zeromq {
    type => "zeromq-type"
    mode => "server"
    topology => "pubsub"
    address => "tcp://0.0.0.0:2021"
    charset => "UTF-8"
    format => "json_event"
  }
}
```

For version 1.2.0 of Logstash and newer:

In the salt configuration file:

```
logstash_zmq_handler:
  address: tcp://127.0.0.1:2021
  version: 1
```

In the Logstash configuration file:

```
input {
  zeromq {
    topology => "pubsub"
    address => "tcp://0.0.0.0:2021"
    codec => json
  }
}
```

Please read the ZeroMQ input configuration page for additional information.

Important Logstash Setting

One of the most important settings that you should not forget on your Logstash configuration file regarding these logging handlers is format. Both the *UDP* and *ZeroMQ* inputs need to have format as <code>json_event</code> which is what we send over the wire.

Log Level

Both the logstash_udp_handler and the logstash_zmq_handler configuration sections accept an additional setting log_level. If not set, the logging level used will be the one defined for log_level in the global configuration file section.

HWM

The high water mark for the ZMQ socket setting. Only applicable for the logstash_zmq_handler.

Inspiration

This work was inspired in pylogstash, python-logstash, canary and the PyZMQ logging handler.

20.12.2 Sentry Logging Handler

New in version 0.17.0.

This module provides a Sentry logging handler.

Note

The Raven library needs to be installed on the system for this logging handler to be available.

Configuring the python Sentry client, Raven, should be done under the sentry_handler configuration key. At the bare minimum, you need to define the DSN. As an example:

```
sentry_handler:
  dsn: https://pub-key:secret-key@app.qetsentry.com/app-id
```

More complex configurations can be achieved, for example:

```
sentry_handler:
    servers:
        - https://sentry.example.com
        - http://192.168.1.1
    project: app-id
    public_key: deadbeefdeadbeefdeadbeef
    secret_key: beefdeadbeefdeadbeefdead
```

All the client configuration keys are supported, please see the Raven client documentation.

The default logging level for the sentry handler is ERROR. If you wish to define a different one, define log_level under the sentry_handler configuration key:

```
sentry_handler:
  dsn: https://pub-key:secret-key@app.getsentry.com/app-id
  log_level: warning
```

The available log levels are those also available for the salt cli tools and configuration; salt ——help should give you the required information.

Threaded Transports

Raven's documents rightly suggest using its threaded transport for critical applications. However, don't forget that if you start having troubles with Salt after enabling the threaded transport, please try switching to a non-threaded transport to see if that fixes your problem.

20.13 Salt File Server

Salt comes with a simple file server suitable for distributing files to the Salt minions. The file server is a stateless ZeroMQ server that is built into the Salt master.

The main intent of the Salt file server is to present files for use in the Salt state system. With this said, the Salt file server can be used for any general file transfer from the master to the minions.

20.13.1 File Server Backends

Salt version 0.12.0 introduced the ability for the Salt Master to integrate different file server backends. File server backends allows the Salt file server to act as a transparent bridge to external resources. The primary example of this is the git backend which allows for all of the Salt formulas and files to be maintained in a remote git repository.

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The fileserver backend system can accept multiple backends as well. This makes it possible to have the environments listed in the file_roots configuration available in addition to other backends, or the ability to mix multiple backends.

This feature is managed by the fileserver_backend option in the master config. The desired backend systems are listed in order of search priority:

```
fileserver_backend:
  - roots
  - git
```

With this configuration, the environments and files defined in the file_roots parameter will be searched first, if the referenced environment and file is not found then the git backend will be searched.

Environments

The concept of environments is followed in all backend systems. The environments in the classic roots backend are defined in the file_roots option. Environments map differently based on the backend, for instance the git backend translated branches and tags in git to environments. This makes it easy to define environments in git by just setting a tag or forking a branch.

20.13.2 Dynamic Module Distribution

New in version 0.9.5.

Salt Python modules can be distributed automatically via the Salt file server. Under the root of any environment defined via the file_roots option on the master server directories corresponding to the type of module can be used.

The directories are prepended with an underscore:

- 1. _modules
- 2. _grains
- 3. renderers
- 4. _returners
- 5. _states

The contents of these directories need to be synced over to the minions after Python modules have been created in them. There are a number of ways to sync the modules.

Sync Via States

The minion configuration contains an option autoload_dynamic_modules which defaults to True. This option makes the state system refresh all dynamic modules when states are run. To disable this behavior set autoload_dynamic_modules to False in the minion config.

When dynamic modules are autoloaded via states, modules only pertinent to the environments matched in the master's top file are downloaded.

This is important to remember, because modules can be manually loaded from any specific environment that environment specific modules will be loaded when a state run is executed.

Sync Via the saltutil Module

The saltutil module has a number of functions that can be used to sync all or specific dynamic modules. The saltutil module function saltutil.sync_all will sync all module types over to a minion. For more information see: salt.modules.saltutil

20.13.3 File Server Configuration

The Salt file server is a high performance file server written in ZeroMQ. It manages large files quickly and with little overhead, and has been optimized to handle small files in an extremely efficient manner.

The Salt file server is an environment aware file server. This means that files can be allocated within many root directories and accessed by specifying both the file path and the environment to search. The individual environments can span across multiple directory roots to create overlays and to allow for files to be organized in many flexible ways.

Environments

The Salt file server defaults to the mandatory base environment. This environment MUST be defined and is used to download files when no environment is specified.

Environments allow for files and sls data to be logically separated, but environments are not isolated from each other. This allows for logical isolation of environments by the engineer using Salt, but also allows for information to be used in multiple environments.

Directory Overlay

The environment setting is a list of directories to publish files from. These directories are searched in order to find the specified file and the first file found is returned.

This means that directory data is prioritized based on the order in which they are listed. In the case of this file_roots configuration:

```
file_roots:
  base:
    - /srv/salt/base
    - /srv/salt/failover
```

If a file's URI is salt://httpd/httpd.conf, it will first search for the file at /srv/salt/base/httpd/httpd.conf. If the file is found there it will be returned. If the file is not found there, then /srv/salt/failover/httpd/httpd.conf will be used for the source.

This allows for directories to be overlaid and prioritized based on the order they are defined in the configuration.

It is also possible to have file_roots which supports multiple environments:

```
file_roots:
  base:
    - /srv/salt/base
  dev:
    - /srv/salt/dev
    - /srv/salt/base
  prod:
    - /srv/salt/prod
    - /srv/salt/base
```

This example ensures that each environment will check the associated environment directory for files first. If a file is not found in the appropriate directory, the system will default to using the base directory.

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Local File Server

New in version 0.9.8.

The file server can be rerouted to run from the minion. This is primarily to enable running Salt states without a Salt master. To use the local file server interface, copy the file server data to the minion and set the file_roots option on the minion to point to the directories copied from the master. Once the minion file_roots option has been set, change the file_client option to local to make sure that the local file server interface is used.

20.13.4 The cp Module

The cp module is the home of minion side file server operations. The cp module is used by the Salt state system, salt-cp and can be used to distribute files presented by the Salt file server.

Environments

Since the file server is made to work with the Salt state system, it supports environments. The environments are defined in the master config file and when referencing an environment the file specified will be based on the root directory of the environment.

get file

The cp.get_file function can be used on the minion to download a file from the master, the syntax looks like this:

```
# salt '*' cp.get_file salt://vimrc /etc/vimrc
```

This will instruct all Salt minions to download the vimrc file and copy it to /etc/vimrc

Template rendering can be enabled on both the source and destination file names like so:

```
# salt '*' cp.get_file "salt://{{grains.os}}/vimrc" /etc/vimrc template=jinja
```

This example would instruct all Salt minions to download the vimrc from a directory with the same name as their OS grain and copy it to /etc/vimrc

For larger files, the cp.get_file module also supports gzip compression. Because gzip is CPU-intensive, this should only be used in scenarios where the compression ratio is very high (e.g. pretty-printed JSON or YAML files).

Use the *gzip* named argument to enable it. Valid values are 1..9, where 1 is the lightest compression and 9 the heaviest. 1 uses the least CPU on the master (and minion), 9 uses the most.

```
# salt '*' cp.get_file salt://vimrc /etc/vimrc gzip=5
```

Finally, note that by default cp.get_file does *not* create new destination directories if they do not exist. To change this, use the *makedirs* argument:

```
# salt '*' cp.get_file salt://vimrc /etc/vim/vimrc makedirs=True
```

In this example, /etc/vim/ would be created if it didn't already exist.

get dir

The cp.get_dir function can be used on the minion to download an entire directory from the master. The syntax is very similar to get file:

```
# salt '*' cp.get_dir salt://etc/apache2 /etc
```

cp.get_dir supports template rendering and gzip compression arguments just like get_file:

```
# salt '*' cp.get_dir salt://etc/{{pillar.webserver}} /etc gzip=5 template=jinja
```

20.13.5 File Server Client API

A client API is available which allows for modules and applications to be written which make use of the Salt file server.

The file server uses the same authentication and encryption used by the rest of the Salt system for network communication.

FileClient Class

The FileClient class is used to set up the communication from the minion to the master. When creating a FileClient object the minion configuration needs to be passed in. When using the FileClient from within a minion module the built in __opts__ data can be passed:

Using the FileClient class outside of a minion module where the __opts__ data is not available, it needs to be generated:

20.14 Full list of builtin fileserver modules

gitfs	Git Fileserver Backend
hgfs	The backed for the mercurial based file server system.
roots	The default file server backend
s3fs	The backend for a fileserver based on Amazon S3
minionfs	The backend for serving files pushed to master by cp.push (file_recv).

20.14.1 salt.fileserver.gitfs

Git Fileserver Backend

With this backend, branches and tags in a remote git repository are exposed to salt as different environments.

To enable, add git to the fileserver_backend option in the master config file.

As of the **Helium** release, the Git fileserver backend will support GitPython, pygit2, and dulwich to provide the Python interface to git. If more than one of these are present, the order of preference for which one will be chosen is the same as the order in which they were listed: GitPython, pygit2, dulwich (keep in mind, this order is subject to change).

pygit2 and dulwich support presently exist only in the develop branch and are not yet available in an official release

An optional master config parameter (gitfs provider) can be used to specify which provider should be used.

Note: Minimum requirements

Using GitPython requires a minimum GitPython version of 0.3.0, as well as git itself.

Using pygit2 requires a minimum pygit2 version of 0.19.0. Additionally, using pygit2 as a provider requires libgit2 0.19.0 or newer, as well as git itself. pygit2 and libgit2 are developed alongside one another, so it is recommended to keep them both at the same major release to avoid unexpected behavior.

Warning: pygit2 does not yet support supplying passing SSH credentials, so at this time only http://, https://, and file:// URIs are supported as valid gitfs_remotes entries if pygit2 is being used. Additionally, pygit2 does not yet support passing http/https credentials via a .netrc file.

```
salt.fileserver.gitfs.dir_list(load)
Return a list of all directories on the master

salt.fileserver.gitfs.envs(ignore_cache=False)
Return a list of refs that can be used as environments

salt.fileserver.gitfs.file_hash(load, fnd)
Return a file hash, the hash type is set in the master config file

salt.fileserver.gitfs.file_list(load)
Return a list of all files on the file server in a specified environment

salt.fileserver.gitfs.file_list_emptydirs(load)
Return a list of all empty directories on the master

salt.fileserver.gitfs.find_file(path, tgt_env='base', **kwargs)
Find the first file to match the path and ref, read the file out of git and send the path to the newly cached file

salt.fileserver.gitfs.init()
Return the git repo object for this session

salt.fileserver.gitfs.purge_cache()
```

```
salt.fileserver.gitfs.serve_file (load, fnd)
     Return a chunk from a file based on the data received
salt.fileserver.gitfs.update()
     Execute a git fetch on all of the repos
```

20.14.2 salt.fileserver.hgfs

The backed for the mercurial based file server system.

After enabling this backend, branches, bookmarks, and tags in a remote mercurial repository are exposed to salt as different environments. This feature is managed by the fileserver_backend option in the salt master config file.

This fileserver has an additional option hqfs_branch_method that will set the desired branch method. Possible values are: branches, bookmarks, or mixed. If using branches or mixed, the default branch will be mapped to base.

Changed in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen) The hqfs_base master config parameter was added, allowing for a branch other than default to be used for the base environment, and allowing for a base environment to be specified when using an hgfs_branch_method of bookmarks.

depends

- · mercurial
- python bindings for mercurial (python-hglib)

```
salt.fileserver.hqfs.dir list(load)
     Return a list of all directories on the master
salt.fileserver.hqfs.envs(ignore_cache=False)
     Return a list of refs that can be used as environments
salt.fileserver.hgfs.file_hash(load, fnd)
     Return a file hash, the hash type is set in the master config file
salt.fileserver.hgfs.file_list(load)
     Return a list of all files on the file server in a specified environment
salt.fileserver.hgfs.file_list_emptydirs(load)
     Return a list of all empty directories on the master
salt.fileserver.hqfs.find_file(path, tgt_env='base', **kwargs)
     Find the first file to match the path and ref, read the file out of hg and send the path to the newly cached file
salt.fileserver.hqfs.init()
     Return a list of hglib objects for the various hgfs remotes
salt.fileserver.hqfs.purge_cache()
salt.fileserver.hqfs.serve_file(load, fnd)
     Return a chunk from a file based on the data received
salt.fileserver.hgfs.update()
     Execute an hg pull on all of the repos
```

20.14.3 salt.fileserver.roots

The default file server backend

Based on the environments in the file_roots configuration option.

```
salt.fileserver.roots.dir list(load)
     Return a list of all directories on the master
salt.fileserver.roots.envs()
     Return the file server environments
salt.fileserver.roots.file hash (load, fnd)
     Return a file hash, the hash type is set in the master config file
salt.fileserver.roots.file_list(load)
     Return a list of all files on the file server in a specified environment
salt.fileserver.roots.file_list_emptydirs(load)
     Return a list of all empty directories on the master
salt.fileserver.roots.find_file (path, saltenv='base', env=None, **kwargs)
     Search the environment for the relative path
salt.fileserver.roots.serve_file (load, fnd)
     Return a chunk from a file based on the data received
salt.fileserver.roots.symlink list(load)
     Return a dict of all symlinks based on a given path on the Master
salt.fileserver.roots.update()
     When we are asked to update (regular interval) lets reap the cache
```

20.14.4 salt.fileserver.s3fs

The backend for a fileserver based on Amazon S3

See also:

Salt File Server

This backend exposes directories in S3 buckets as Salt environments. This feature is managed by the fileserver_backend option in the Salt Master config.

S3 credentials can be set in the master config file like so:

```
s3.keyid: GKTADJGHEIQSXMKKRBJ08H
s3.key: askdjghsdfjkghWupUjasdflkdfklgjsdfjajkghs
```

Alternatively, if on EC2 these credentials can be automatically loaded from instance metadata.

Additionally, s3fs must be included in the fileserver_backend config parameter in the master config file:

```
fileserver_backend:
    - s3fs
```

This fileserver supports two modes of operation for the buckets:

1. A single bucket per environment

```
s3.buckets:
  production:
    - bucket1
    - bucket2
  staging:
    - bucket3
    - bucket4
```

2. Multiple environments per bucket

```
s3.buckets:
- bucket1
- bucket2
- bucket3
- bucket4
```

Note that bucket names must be all lowercase both in the AWS console and in Salt, otherwise you may encounter SignatureDoesNotMatch errors.

A multiple-environment bucket must adhere to the following root directory structure:

```
s3://<bucket name>/<environment>/<files>
salt.fileserver.s3fs.dir list(load)
     Return a list of all directories on the master
salt.fileserver.s3fs.envs()
     Return a list of directories within the bucket that can be used as environments.
salt.fileserver.s3fs.file_hash(load, fnd)
     Return an MD5 file hash
salt.fileserver.s3fs.file list(load)
     Return a list of all files on the file server in a specified environment
salt.fileserver.s3fs.file_list_emptydirs(load)
     Return a list of all empty directories on the master
salt.fileserver.s3fs.find_file(path, saltenv='base', env=None, **kwargs)
     Look through the buckets cache file for a match. If the field is found, it is retrieved from S3 only if its cached
     version is missing, or if the MD5 does not match.
salt.fileserver.s3fs.serve_file (load, fnd)
     Return a chunk from a file based on the data received
salt.fileserver.s3fs.update()
     Update the cache file for the bucket.
```

20.14.5 salt.fileserver.minionfs

The backend for serving files pushed to master by cp.push (file_recv).

```
\verb|file_recv| needs to be enabled in the master config file.
```

```
salt.fileserver.minionfs.dir_list(load)
```

Return a list of all directories on the master

CLI Example:

Return "base" as the file server environment, because there is only one set of minions.

```
salt.fileserver.minionfs.file_hash (load, fnd)
    Return a file hash, the hash type is set in the master config file
salt.fileserver.minionfs.file_list (load)
    Return a list of all files on the file server in a specified environment
salt.fileserver.minionfs.find_file (path, env='base', **kwargs)
    Search the environment for the relative path
salt.fileserver.minionfs.serve_file (load, fnd)
    Return a chunk from a file based on the data received
    CLI Example:
    $ salt 'source-minion' cp.push /path/to/the/file # Push the file to the master
    $ salt 'destination-minion' cp.get_file salt://source-minion/path/to/the/file /destination/filessalt.fileserver.minionfs.update()
    When we are asked to update (regular interval) lets reap the cache
```

20.15 Salt code and internals

Reference documentation on Salt's internal code.

20.15.1 Contents

salt.serializers

salt.utils.aggregation

This library allows to introspect dataset and aggregate nodes when it is instructed.

Note: The following examples with be expressed in YAML for convenience sake:

- !aggr-scalar will refer to Scalar python function
- · !aggr-map will refer to Map python object
- !aggr-seq will refer for Sequence python object

How to instructs merging This yaml document have duplicate keys:

```
foo: !aggr-scalar first
foo: !aggr-scalar second
bar: !aggr-map {first: foo}
bar: !aggr-map {second: bar}
baz: !aggr-scalar 42
```

but tagged values instruct salt that overlaping values they can be merged together:

```
foo: !aggr-seq [first, second]
bar: !aggr-map {first: foo, second: bar}
baz: !aggr-seq [42]
```

Default merge strategy is keeped untouched For example, this yaml document have still duplicate keys, but does not instruct aggregation:

```
foo: first
foo: second
bar: {first: foo}
bar: {second: bar}
baz: 42
```

So the late found values prevail:

```
foo: second
bar: {second: bar}
baz: 42
```

Limitations Aggregation is permitted between tagged objects that share the same type. If not, the default merge strategy prevails.

For example, these examples:

```
foo: {first: value}
foo: !aggr-map {second: value}
bar: !aggr-map {first: value}
bar: 42

baz: !aggr-seq [42]
baz: [fail]

qux: 42
qux: !aggr-scalar fail

are interpreted like this:
foo: !aggr-map{second: value}
bar: 42

baz: [fail]

qux: !aggr-seq [fail]
```

Introspection TODO: write this part

salt.utils.aggregation.aggregate(obj_a,

```
'salt.utils.aggregation.Map'>, sequence_class=<class
'salt.utils.aggregation.Sequence'>)
Merge obj_b into obj_a.

>>> aggregate('first', 'second', True) == ['first', 'second']
True

class salt.utils.aggregation.Aggregate
   Aggregation base.

class salt.utils.aggregation.Map(*args, **kwds)
   Map aggregation.
```

 obj_b ,

level=False,

map class=<class

```
salt.utils.aggregation.Scalar(obj)
    Shortcut for Sequence creation

>>> Scalar('foo') == Sequence(['foo'])
    True

class salt.utils.aggregation.Sequence
    Sequence aggregation.
```

Exceptions

Salt-specific exceptions should be thrown as often as possible so the various interfaces to Salt (CLI, API, etc) can handle those errors appropriately and display error messages appropriately.

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exception salt.exceptions.AuthenticationError
```

If sha256 signature fails during decryption

```
exception salt.exceptions.AuthorizationError
```

Thrown when runner or wheel execution fails due to permissions

```
exception salt.exceptions.CommandExecutionError
```

Used when a module runs a command which returns an error and wants to show the user the output gracefully instead of dying

exception salt.exceptions.CommandNotFoundError

Used in modules or grains when a required binary is not available

exception salt.exceptions.EauthAuthenticationError

Thrown when eauth authentication fails

```
exception salt.exceptions.LoaderError
```

Problems loading the right renderer

```
exception salt.exceptions.MasterExit
```

Rise when the master exits

```
exception salt.exceptions.MinionError
```

Minion problems reading uris such as salt:// or http://

```
exception salt.exceptions.PkgParseError
```

Used when of the pkg modules cannot correctly parse the output from the CLI tool (pacman, yum, apt, aptitude, etc)

```
exception salt.exceptions.SaltClientError
```

Problem reading the master root key

```
\boldsymbol{exception} \; \texttt{salt-exceptions.Salt-Exception}
```

Base exception class; all Salt-specific exceptions should subclass this

```
exception salt.exceptions.SaltInvocationError
```

Used when the wrong number of arguments are sent to modules or invalid arguments are specified on the command line

exception salt.exceptions.SaltMasterError

Problem reading the master root key

exception salt.exceptions.SaltRenderError(error, line_num=None, buf='', marker=' <============'.</pre>

trace=None)

Used when a renderer needs to raise an explicit error. If a line number and buffer string are passed, get_context will be invoked to get the location of the error.

exception salt.exceptions.SaltReqTimeoutError

Thrown when a salt master request call fails to return within the timeout

exception salt.exceptions.SaltRunnerError

Problem in runner

exception salt.exceptions.SaltSystemExit (code=0, msg=None)

This exception is raised when an unsolvable problem is found. There's nothing else to do, salt should just exit.

exception salt.exceptions.SaltWheelError

Problem in wheel

exception salt.exceptions.TimedProcTimeoutError

Thrown when a timed subprocess does not terminate within the timeout, or if the specified timeout is not an int or a float

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Thrown when token authentication fails

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salt.serializers

salt.utils.serializers

This module implements all the serializers needed by salt. Each serializer offers the same functions and attributes:

```
deserialize function for deserializing string or stream
```

serialize function for serializing a Python object

available flag that tells if the serializer is available (all dependencies are met etc.)

salt.utils.serializers.json

Implements JSON serializer.

It's just a wrapper around json (or simplejson if available).

```
salt.utils.serializers.json.deserialize(stream_or_string, **options)
```

Deserialize any string of stream like object into a Python data structure.

Parameters

- **stream_or_string** stream or string to descrialize.
- options options given to lower json/simplejson module.

```
salt.utils.serializers.json.serialize (obj, **options) Serialize Python data to JSON.
```

Parameters

- **obj** the datastructure to serialize
- options options given to lower json/simplejson module.

salt.utils.serializers.yaml

Implements YAML serializer.

Underneath, it is based on pyyaml and use the safe dumper and loader. It also use C bindings if they are available.

```
salt.utils.serializers.yaml.deserialize(stream_or_string, **options)

Deserialize any string of stream like object into a Python data structure.
```

Parameters

- **stream_or_string** stream or string to deserialize.
- **options** options given to lower yaml module.

```
salt.utils.serializers.yaml.serialize(obj, **options)
Serialize Python data to YAML.
```

Parameters

- **obj** the datastructure to serialize
- options options given to lower yaml module.

salt.utils.serializers.sls

SLS is a format that allows to make things like sls file more intuitive.

It's an extension of YAML that implements all the salt magic. For example it implies omap for any dict like.

For example, the file *states.sls* has this contents:

```
foo:
  bar: 42
  baz: [1, 2, 3]
```

The file can be parsed into Python like this

```
from salt.utils.serializers import sls
with open('state.sls', 'r') as stream:
    obj = sls.deserialize(stream)
```

Check that obj is an OrderedDict

```
from salt.utils.odict import OrderedDict

assert isinstance(obj, dict)
assert isinstance(obj, OrderedDict)
```

```
sls __repr__ and __str__ objects' methods render YAML understandable string. It means that they are template
friendly.
print '{0}'.format(obj)
returns:
{foo: {bar: 42, baz: [1, 2, 3]}}
and they are still valid YAML:
from salt.utils.serializers import yaml
yml_obj = yaml.deserialize(str(obj))
assert yml_obj == obj
sls implements also custom tags:
!aggregate
          this tag allows structures aggregation.
     For example:
     placeholder: !aggregate foo
     placeholder: !aggregate bar
     placeholder: !aggregate baz
     is rendered as
     placeholder: [foo, bar, baz]
!reset
          this tag allows to flush the computing value.
     placeholder: {!aggregate foo: {foo: 42}}
     placeholder: {!aggregate foo: {bar: null}}
     !reset placeholder: {!aggregate foo: {baz: inga}}
     is roughly equivalent to
     placeholder: {!aggregate foo: {baz: inga}}
Document is defacto an aggregate mapping.
salt.utils.serializers.sls.deserialize(stream_or_string, **options)
     Deserialize any string of stream like object into a Python data structure.
          Parameters
                • stream_or_string – stream or string to deserialize.
```

• options – options given to lower yaml module.

```
salt.utils.serializers.sls.serialize(obj, **options)
Serialize Python data to YAML.
```

Parameters

- **obj** the datastructure to serialize
- options options given to lower yaml module.

salt.utils.serializers.msgpack

Implements MsgPack serializer.

```
salt.utils.serializers.msgpack.deserialize (stream_or_string, **options)

Deserialize any string of stream like object into a Python data structure.
```

Parameters

- **stream_or_string** stream or string to descrialize.
- options options given to lower msgpack module.

```
salt.utils.serializers.msgpack.serialize(obj, **options)
Serialize Python data to MsgPack.
```

Parameters

- **obj** the datastructure to serialize
- **options** options given to lower msgpack module.

20.16 Full list of builtin execution modules

Virtual modules

20.16.1 salt.modules.pkg

pkg is a virtual module that is fulfilled by one of the following modules:

- salt.modules.aptpkg
- salt.modules.brew
- salt.modules.ebuild
- salt.modules.freebsdpkg
- salt.modules.openbsdpkg
- salt.modules.pacman
- salt.modules.pkgin
- salt.modules.pkgng
- salt.modules.pkgutil
- salt.modules.solarispkg
- salt.modules.win_pkg
- salt.modules.yumpkg
- salt.modules.zypper

aliases	Manage the information in the aliases file
alternatives	Support for Alternatives system
apache	Support for Apache
aptpkg	Support for APT (Advanced Packaging Tool)

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archive A module to wrap archive calls ..

at Wrapper module for at(1)

augeas_cfg Manages configuration files via augeas

aws_sqs Support for the Amazon Simple Queue Service.

blockdev Module for managing block devices ..

bluez Support for Bluetooth (using BlueZ in Linux).

brew Homebrew for Mac OS X

bridge Module for gathering and managing bridging information

bsd shadow Manage the password database on BSD systems

chocolatey A dead simple module wrapping calls to the Chocolatey package manager

cloud Salt-specific interface for calling Salt Cloud directly

cmdmod A module for shelling out

composer Use composer to install PHP dependencies for a directory

config Return config information
cp Minion side functions for salt-cp

cron Work with cron

daemontools daemontools service module. This module will create daemontools type

darwin_sysctl Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters

data Manage a local persistent data structure that can hold any arbitrary data

ddns Support for RFC 2136 dynamic DNS updates.

deb_apache Support for Apache debconfmod Support for Debconf

debian_ip The networking module for Debian based distros

debian_service Service support for Debian systems (uses update-rc.d and /sbin/service)

defaults

dig Compendium of generic DNS utilities disk Module for gathering disk information

djangomod Manage Django sites

dnsmasq Module for managing dnqmasq Compendium of generic DNS utilities

dockerio Management of dockers =========== ...

dpkg Support for DEB packages
ebuild Support for Portage
eix Support for Eix

environ Support for getting and setting the environment variables

eselect Support for eselect, Gentoo's configuration and management tool.

etcd_mod Execution module to work with etcd

event Use the Salt Event System to fire events from the extfs Module for managing ext2/3/4 file systems file Manage information about regular files, directories,

file Manage information about regular files, directories, freebsd_sysctl Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters

freebsdjail The jail module for FreeBSD

freebsdkmodModule to manage FreeBSD kernel modulesfreebsdpkgRemote package support using pkg_add(1) ..freebsdportsInstall software from the FreeBSD ports(7) system

freebsdservice The service module for FreeBSD

gem Manage ruby gems.

gentoo_service Top level package command wrapper, used to translate the os detected by grains

gentoolkitmod Support for Gentoolkit git Support for the Git SCM

glance Module for handling openstack glance calls.

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glusterfs Manage a glusterfs pool gnomedesktop GNOME implementations

grains Return/control aspects of the grains data groupadd Manage groups on Linux and OpenBSD

grub_legacy Support for GRUB Legacy

guestfs Interact with virtual machine images via libguestfs

hadoop Support for hadoop

hg Support for the Mercurial SCM
hosts Manage the information in the hosts file
htpasswd Support for htpasswd command ..

img Virtual machine image management tools

incron Work with incron
ini_manage Edit ini files
iptables Support for iptables

junos Module for interfacing to Junos devices

key Functions to view the minion's public key information

keyboard Module for managing keyboards on supported POSIX-like systems such as

keystone Module for handling openstack keystone calls.

Module to manage Linux kernel modules

launchctl Module for the management of MacOS systems that use launchd/launchctl

layman Support for Layman

ldapmod Salt interface to LDAP commands

linux_acl Support for Linux File Access Control Lists

linux lvm Support for Linux LVM2

linux_sysctl Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters
localemod Module for managing locales on POSIX-like systems.

locate Module for using the locate utilities
logrotate Module for managing logrotate.
lvs Support for LVS (Linux Virtual Server)
lxc Control Linux Containers via Salt
mac_group Manage groups on Mac OS 10.7+
mac_user Manage users on Mac OS 10.7+

makeconf Support for modifying make.conf under Gentoo

match The match module allows for match routines to be run and determine target specs

mdadm Salt module to manage RAID arrays with mdadm memcached Module for Management of Memcached Keys

mine The function cache system allows for data to be stored on the master so it can be easily read by other min

modjk Control Modjk via the Apache Tomcat "Status" worker mongodb Module to provide MongoDB functionality to Salt

monit Monit service module.

moosefs Module for gathering and managing information about MooseFS

mount Salt module to manage unix mounts and the fstab file

munin Run munin plugins/checks from salt and format the output as data.

mysql Module to provide MySQL compatibility to salt.

netbsd_sysctl Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters

 $\label{eq:continuous_problem} \mbox{netbsdservice} \qquad \mbox{The service module for NetBSD}$

network Module for gathering and managing network information

nfs3 Module for managing NFS version 3.

nginx Support for nginx

nova Module for handling OpenStack Nova calls

npm Manage and query NPM packages.

omapi This module interacts with an ISC DHCP Server via OMAPI.

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openbsdpkg Package support for OpenBSD openbsdservice The service module for OpenBSD

openstack_config Modify, retrieve, or delete values from OpenStack configuration files.

Mac OS X implementations of various commands in the "desktop" interface

pacman A module to wrap pacman calls, since Arch is the best

pagerduty Module for Firing Events via PagerDuty

pam Support for pam

parted Module for managing partitions on POSIX-like systems.

pecl Manage PHP pecl extensions.
pillar Extract the pillar data for this minion

pip Install Python packages with pip to either the system or a virtualenv

pkg_resource Resources needed by pkg providers

pkgin Package support for pkgin based systems, inspired from freebsdpkg module

pkgng Support for pkgng, the new package manager for FreeBSD

pkgutil Pkgutil support for Solaris portage_config Configure portage(5)

postgres Module to provide Postgres compatibility to salt.

poudriere Support for poudriere powerpath powerpath support.

A salt interface to psutil, a system and process library.

publish Publish a command from a minion to a target

puppet Execute puppet routines pw_group Manage groups on FreeBSD

pw_user Manage users with the useradd command

qemu_img Qemu-img Command Wrapper qemu_nbd Qemu Command Wrapper

quota Module for managing quotas on POSIX-like systems.

rabbitmq Module to provide RabbitMQ compatibility to Salt.

rbenv Manage ruby installations with rbenv.
rdp Manage RDP Service on Windows servers

reg Manage the registry on Windows
rest_package Service support for the REST example
rest_sample Module for interfacing to the REST example
rest_service Service support for the REST example

Module to integrate with the returner system and retrieve data sent to a salt returner

rh_ip The networking module for RHEL/Fedora based distros

rh_service Service support for RHEL-based systems, including support for both upstart and sysvinit

riak Riak Salt Module
rpm Support for rpm
rsync Wrapper for rsync ...

rvm Manage ruby installations and gemsets with RVM, the Ruby Version Manager.

S3 Connection module for Amazon S3

saltcloudmod Control a salt cloud system

The Saltutil module is used to manage the state of the salt minion itself. It is used to manage minion mod

seed Virtual machine image management tools

selinux Execute calls on selinux ..

service The default service module, if not otherwise specified salt will fall back

shadow Manage the shadow file

smartos_vmadm Module for managing VMs on SmartOS

smf Service support for Solaris 10 and 11, should work with other systems

solaris_group Manage groups on Solaris

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solaris_shadow Manage the password database on Solaris systems

solaris_user Manage users with the useradd command

solarispkgPackage support for SolarissolrApache Solr Salt Modulesqlite3Support for SQLite3

Manage client ssh components state

Manage client ssh components

Control the state system on the minion

status Module for returning various status data about a minion.

supervisord Provide the service module for system supervisord or supervisord in a

svn Subversion SCM

sysbench' module is used to analyse the

sysmod The sys module provides information about the available functions on the minion

systemSupport for reboot, shutdown, etcsystemdProvide the service module for systemdtestModule for running arbitrary tests

timezone Module for managing timezone on POSIX-like systems.

tls A salt module for SSL/TLS.

tomcat Support for Tomcat

upstart Module for the management of upstart systems.
useradd Manage users with the useradd command

uwsgi uWSGI stats server http://uwsgi-docs.readthedocs.org/en/latest/StatsServer.html

virt Work with virtual machines managed by libvirt

virtualenv_mod Create virtualenv environments

win_autoruns Module for listing programs that automatically run on startup

win_disk Module for gathering disk information on Windows
win_dns_client Module for configuring DNS Client on Windows systems

win_file Manage information about files on the minion, set/read user, group

win_firewall Module for configuring Windows Firewall

win_groupadd Manage groups on Windows

win_ip The networking module for Windows based systems win_network Module for gathering and managing network information

win_ntp Management of NTP servers on Windows
win_path Manage the Windows System PATH
win_pkg A module to manage software on Windows

win_repo Module to manage Windows software repo on a Standalone Minion win_servermanager Manage Windows features via the ServerManager powershell module

win_service Windows Service module.
win_shadow Manage the shadow file

win_status Module for returning various status data about a minion.

win_system Support for reboot, shutdown, etc

win_timezone Module for managing timezone on Windows systems.
win useradd Manage Windows users with the net user command

xapi This module (mostly) uses the XenAPI to manage Xen virtual machines.

xmpp Module for Sending Messages via XMPP (a.k.a. Jabber)

yumpkg Support for YUM

zfs Module for running ZFS command
zpool Module for running ZFS zpool command
znc znc - An advanced IRC bouncer

zypper Package support for openSUSE via the zypper package manager

20.16.2 salt.modules.aliases

```
Manage the information in the aliases file
salt.modules.aliases.get_target(alias)
     Return the target associated with an alias
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' aliases.get_target alias
salt.modules.aliases.has_target (alias, target)
     Return true if the alias/target is set
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' aliases.has_target alias target
salt.modules.aliases.list_aliases()
     Return the aliases found in the aliases file in this format:
     {'alias': 'target'}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' aliases.list_aliases
salt.modules.aliases.rm_alias(alias)
     Remove an entry from the aliases file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' aliases.rm_alias alias
salt.modules.aliases.set_target (alias, target)
     Set the entry in the aliases file for the given alias, this will overwrite any previous entry for the given alias or
     create a new one if it does not exist.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' aliases.set_target alias target
20.16.3 salt.modules.alternatives
Support for Alternatives system
     codeauthor Radek Rada < radek.rada@gmail.com>
     copyright © 2012 by the SaltStack Team, see AUTHORS for more details.
     license Apache 2.0, see LICENSE for more details.
salt.modules.alternatives.auto(name)
     Trigger alternatives to set the path for <name> as specified by priority.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.auto name
salt.modules.alternatives.check_installed(name, path)
```

Check if the current highest-priority match for a given alternatives link is set to the desired path

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.check_installed name path
salt.modules.alternatives.display(name)
     Display alternatives settings for defined command name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.display editor
salt.modules.alternatives.install (name, link, path, priority)
     Install symbolic links determining default commands
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.install editor /usr/bin/editor /usr/bin/emacs23 50
salt.modules.alternatives.remove(name, path)
     Remove symbolic links determining the default commands.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.remove name path
salt.modules.alternatives.set (name, path)
     Manually set the alternative <path> for <name>.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.set name path
salt.modules.alternatives.show_current(name)
     Display the current highest-priority alternative for a given alternatives link
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' alternatives.show_current editor
```

20.16.4 salt.modules.apache

Support for Apache

Please note: The functions in here are generic functions designed to work with all implementations of Apache. Debian-specific functions have been moved into deb_apache.py, but will still load under the apache namespace when a Debian-based system is detected.

```
Create VirtualHost configuration files

name File for the virtual host

config VirtualHost configurations

Note: This function is not meant to be used from the command line. Config is meant to be an ordered dict of all of the apache configs.

salt '*' apache.config /etc/httpd/conf.d/ports.conf

config="[{'Listen': '22'}]"
```

Return list of directives together with expected arguments and places where the directive is valid (apachectl-L)

salt.modules.apache.directives()

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' apache.directives
salt.modules.apache.fullversion()
     Return server version from apachectl -V
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' apache.fullversion
salt.modules.apache.modules()
     Return list of static and shared modules from apachectl -M
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' apache.modules
salt.modules.apache.server status(profile='default')
     Get Information from the Apache server-status handler
     NOTE: the server-status handler is disabled by default. in order for this function to work it needs to be enabled.
     http://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.2/mod/mod_status.html
     The following configuration needs to exists in pillar/grains each entry nested in apache.server-status is a profile
     of a vhost/server this would give support for multiple apache servers/vhosts
     apache.server-status:
          'default': 'url': http://localhost/server-status 'user': someuser 'pass': password 'realm': 'authentication
              realm for digest passwords' 'timeout': 5
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' apache.server_status
     salt '*' apache.server_status other-profile
salt.modules.apache.servermods()
     Return list of modules compiled into the server (apachectl -l)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' apache.servermods
salt.modules.apache.signal(signal=None)
     Signals httpd to start, restart, or stop.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' apache.signal restart
salt.modules.apache.useradd (pwfile, user, password, opts='')
     Add an HTTP user using the htpasswd command. If the htpasswd file does not exist, it will be created. Valid
     options that can be passed are:
```

n Don't update file; display results on stdout. m Force MD5 encryption of the password (default). d Force CRYPT encryption of the password. p Do not encrypt the password (plaintext). s Force SHA encryption of the password.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' apache.useradd /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry badpassword
salt '*' apache.useradd /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry badpass opts=ns
```

```
salt.modules.apache.userdel (pwfile, user)
```

Delete an HTTP user from the specified htpasswd file.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' apache.userdel /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry
```

```
salt.modules.apache.version()
```

Return server version from apachectl -v

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' apache.version
```

```
salt.modules.apache.vhosts()
```

Show the settings as parsed from the config file (currently only shows the virtualhost settings). (apachect1 -S) Because each additional virtual host adds to the execution time, this command may require a long timeout be specified.

CLI Example:

```
salt -t 10 '*' apache.vhosts
```

20.16.5 salt.modules.aptpkg

Support for APT (Advanced Packaging Tool)

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.del_repo(repo, **kwargs)
```

Delete a repo from the sources.list / sources.list.d

If the .list file is in the sources.list.d directory and the file that the repo exists in does not contain any other repo configuration, the file itself will be deleted.

The repo passed in must be a fully formed repository definition string.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.del_repo "myrepo definition"
```

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.expand_repo_def(repokwargs)
```

Take a repository definition and expand it to the full pkg repository dict that can be used for comparison. This is a helper function to make the Debian/Ubuntu apt sources sane for comparison in the pkgrepo states.

There is no use to calling this function via the CLI.

```
salt.modules.aptpkq.file dict(*packages)
```

List the files that belong to a package, grouped by package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list
```

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.file_list(*packages)
```

List the files that belong to a package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list

salt.modules.aptpkg.get_repo (repo, **kwargs)
    Display a repo from the sources.list/sources.list.d
    The repo passed in needs to be a complete repo entry.
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' pkg.get_repo "myrepo definition"

salt.modules.aptpkg.get_selections (pattern=None, state=None)
    View package state from the dpkg database.
```

Returns a dict of dicts containing the state, and package names:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.get_selections
salt '*' pkg.get_selections 'python-*'
salt '*' pkg.get_selections state=hold
salt '*' pkg.get_selections 'openssh*' state=hold
```

salt.modules.aptpkg.install (name=None, refresh=False, fromrepo=None, skip_verify=False, debconf=None, pkgs=None, sources=None, **kwargs)

Install the passed package, add refresh=True to update the dpkg database.

name The name of the package to be installed. Note that this parameter is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources" is passed. Additionally, please note that this option can only be used to install packages from a software repository. To install a package file manually, use the "sources" option.

32-bit packages can be installed on 64-bit systems by appending the architecture designation (:i386, etc.) to the end of the package name.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
```

refresh Whether or not to refresh the package database before installing.

fromrepo Specify a package repository to install from (e.g., apt-get -t unstable install somepackage)

skip_verify Skip the GPG verification check (e.g., --allow-unauthenticated, or --force-bad-verify for install from package file).

debconf Provide the path to a debconf answers file, processed before installation.

version Install a specific version of the package, e.g. 1.2.3~0ubuntu0. Ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" is passed. Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. Must be passed as a python list.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "1.2.3-0ubuntu0"}]'
```

sources A list of DEB packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package. Dependencies are automatically resolved and marked as auto-installed.

32-bit packages can be installed on 64-bit systems by appending the architecture designation (:i386, etc.) to the end of the package name.

Changed in version Helium.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkq.install sources='[{"foo": "salt://foo.deb"},{"bar": "salt://bar.deb"}]'
```

force_yes Passes --force-yes to the apt-get command. Don't use this unless you know what you're doing.

New in version 0.17.4.

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

A specific repo can be requested using the fromrepo keyword argument.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name> fromrepo=unstable
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

List the packages currently installed in a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

removed If True, then only packages which have been removed (but not purged) will be returned.

purge_desired If True, then only packages which have been marked to be purged, but can't be purged due to their status as dependencies for other installed packages, will be returned. Note that these packages will appear in installed

Changed in version 2014.1.1: Packages in this state now correctly show up in the output of this function.

External dependencies:

```
Virtual package resolution requires dctrl-tools. Without dctrl-tools virtual packages will be reported as not installed.
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs versions_as_list=True
```

salt.modules.aptpkg.list_repos()

Lists all repos in the sources.list (and sources.lists.d) files

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_repos
salt '*' pkg.list_repos disabled=True
```

salt.modules.aptpkg.list_upgrades(refresh=True)

List all available package upgrades.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
```

```
salt.modules.aptpkq.mod_repo (repo, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Modify one or more values for a repo. If the repo does not exist, it will be created, so long as the definition is well formed. For Ubuntu the "ppa:
repo" format is acceptable. "ppa:" format can only be used to create a new repository.

The following options are available to modify a repo definition:

```
comps (a comma separated list of components for the repo, e.g. "main")
file (a file name to be used)
keyserver (keyserver to get gpg key from)
keyid (key id to load with the keyserver argument)
key_url (URL to a gpg key to add to the apt gpg keyring)
consolidate (if true, will attempt to de-dup and consolidate sources)

* Note: Due to the way keys are stored for apt, there is a known issue
    where the key wont be updated unless another change is made
    at the same time. Keys should be properly added on initial
```

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.mod_repo 'myrepo definition' uri=http://new/uri
salt '*' pkg.mod_repo 'myrepo definition' comps=main,universe
```

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.purge(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Remove packages via apt-get purge along with all configuration files and unused dependencies.

name The name of the package to be deleted.

configuration.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.refresh_db()
```

Updates the APT database to latest packages based upon repositories

Returns a dict, with the keys being package databases and the values being the result of the update attempt. Values can be one of the following:

- •True: Database updated successfully
- •False: Problem updating database
- •None: Database already up-to-date

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

```
salt.modules.aptpkg.remove (name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Remove packages using apt-get remove.

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'

salt.modules.aptpkg.set_selections(path=None, selection=None, saltenv='base')
```

Change package state in the dpkg database.

The state can be any one of, documented in dpkg (1):

- •install
- •hold
- deinstall
- •purge

This command is commonly used to mark specific packages to be held from being upgraded, that is, to be kept at a certain version. When a state is changed to anything but being held, then it is typically followed by apt-get-u dselect-upgrade.

Note: Be careful with the clear argument, since it will start with setting all packages to deinstall state.

Returns a dict of dicts containing the package names, and the new and old versions:

```
salt '*' pkg.set_selections selection='{"install": ["netcat"]}'
     salt '*' pkg.set_selections selection='{"hold": ["openssh-server", "openssh-client"]}'
     salt '*' pkg.set_selections salt://path/to/file
     salt '*' pkg.set_selections salt://path/to/file clear=True
salt.modules.aptpkg.upgrade(refresh=True, **kwargs)
     Upgrades all packages via apt-get dist-upgrade
     Returns a dict containing the changes.
         {'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>', 'new': '<new-version>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.upgrade
salt.modules.aptpkg.upgrade_available(name)
     Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
salt.modules.aptpkg.version(*names, **kwargs)
     Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package
     name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
salt.modules.aptpkg.version_cmp(pkg1, pkg2)
     Do a cmp-style comparison on two packages. Return -1 if pkg1 < pkg2, 0 if pkg1 == pkg2, and 1 if pkg1 >
     pkg2. Return None if there was a problem making the comparison.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.version_cmp '0.2.4-Oubuntu1' '0.2.4.1-Oubuntu1'
```

20.16.6 salt.modules.archive

A module to wrap archive calls

```
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

salt.modules.archive.gunzip(gzipfile, template=None)

Uses the gunzip command to unpack gzip files

```
CLI Example to create /tmp/sourcefile.txt:
```

```
salt '*' archive.gunzip /tmp/sourcefile.txt.gz
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution.

```
salt '*' archive.gunzip template=jinja /tmp/{{grains.id}}.txt.gz
```

```
salt.modules.archive.gzip(sourcefile, template=None)
```

Uses the gzip command to create gzip files

CLI Example to create /tmp/sourcefile.txt.qz:

```
salt '*' archive.gzip /tmp/sourcefile.txt
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' archive.gzip template=jinja /tmp/{{grains.id}}.txt
```

salt.modules.archive.rar(rarfile, sources, template=None)

Uses the rar command to create rar files Uses rar for Linux from http://www.rarlab.com/

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' archive.rar /tmp/rarfile.rar /tmp/sourcefile1,/tmp/sourcefile2
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution.

For example:

```
salt '*' archive.rar template=jinja /tmp/rarfile.rar /tmp/sourcefile1,/tmp/{{grains.id}}.txt
salt.modules.archive.tar(options, tarfile, sources=None, dest=None, cwd=None, template=None)
```

Note: This function has changed for version 0.17.0. In prior versions, the cwd and template arguments must be specified, with the source directories/files coming as a space-separated list at the end of the command. Beginning with 0.17.0, sources must be a comma-separated list, and the cwd and template arguments are optional.

Uses the tar command to pack, unpack, etc tar files

options: Options to pass to the tar binary.

tarfile: The tar filename to pack/unpack.

sources: Comma delimited list of files to pack into the tarfile.

dest: The destination directory to **unpack** the tarfile to.

cwd: The directory in which the tar command should be executed.

template: Template engine name to render the command arguments before execution.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' archive.tar cjvf /tmp/tarfile.tar.bz2 /tmp/file_1,/tmp/file_2
```

The template arg can be set to jinja or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution. For example:

```
salt '*' archive.tar template=jinja cjvf /tmp/salt.tar.bz2 {{grains.saltpath}}
```

To unpack a tarfile, for example:

```
salt '*' archive.tar foo.tar xf dest=/target/directory
```

```
salt.modules.archive.unrar(rarfile, dest, excludes=None, template=None)
```

Uses the unrar command to unpack rar files Uses rar for Linux from http://www.rarlab.com/

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' archive.unrar /tmp/rarfile.rar /home/strongbad/ excludes=file_1,file_2
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution.

For example:

```
salt '*' archive.unrar template=jinja /tmp/rarfile.rar /tmp/{{grains.id}}/ excludes=file_1,file_
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.archive.unzip| (\textit{zipfile}, \textit{dest}, \textit{excludes} = \textit{None}, \textit{template} = \textit{None}, \textit{options} = \textit{None}) \\$

Uses the unzip command to unpack zip files

options: Options to pass to the unzip binary.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' archive.unzip /tmp/zipfile.zip /home/strongbad/ excludes=file_1,file_2
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution.

For example:

```
salt '*' archive.unzip template=jinja /tmp/zipfile.zip /tmp/{{grains.id}}/ excludes=file_1,file_
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.archive.zip| (\textit{zipfile}, \textit{sources}, \textit{template} = None)$

Uses the zip command to create zip files

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' archive.zip /tmp/zipfile.zip /tmp/sourcefile1,/tmp/sourcefile2
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution.

For example:

```
salt '*' archive.zip template=jinja /tmp/zipfile.zip /tmp/sourcefile1,/tmp/{{grains.id}}.txt
```

20.16.7 salt.modules.at

Wrapper module for at(1)

Also, a 'tag' feature has been added to more easily tag jobs.

```
salt.modules.at.at(*args, **kwargs)
Add a job to the queue.
```

The 'timespec' follows the format documented in the at(1) manpage.

```
salt '*' at.at <timespec> <cmd> [tag=<tag>] [runas=<user>]
salt '*' at.at 12:05am '/sbin/reboot' tag=reboot
salt '*' at.at '3:05am +3 days' 'bin/myscript' tag=nightly runas=jim
```

```
salt.modules.at.atc(jobid)
```

Print the at(1) script that will run for the passed job id. This is mostly for debugging so the output will just be text.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' at.atc <jobid>
salt.modules.at.atq(tag=None)
```

List all queued and running jobs or only those with an optional 'tag'.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' at.atq
salt '*' at.atq [tag]
salt '*' at.atq [job number]
```

salt.modules.at.atrm(*args)

Remove jobs from the queue.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' at.atrm <jobid> <jobid> .. <jobid>
salt '*' at.atrm all
salt '*' at.atrm all [tag]
```

```
salt.modules.at.jobcheck(**kwargs)
```

Check the job from queue. The kwargs dict include 'hour minute day month year tag runas' Other parameters will be ignored.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' at.jobcheck runas=jam day=13
salt '*' at.jobcheck day=13 month=12 year=13 tag=rose
```

20.16.8 salt.modules.augeas_cfg

Manages configuration files via augeas

This module requires the augeas Python module.

Warning: Minimal installations of Debian and Ubuntu have been seen to have packaging bugs with python-augeas, causing the augeas module to fail to import. If the minion has the augeas module installed, but the functions in this execution module fail to run due to being unavailable, first restart the salt-minion service. If the problem persists past that, the following command can be run from the master to determine what is causing the import to fail:

```
salt minion-id cmd.run 'python -c "from augeas import Augeas"'
```

For affected Debian/Ubuntu hosts, installing libpython2.7 has been known to resolve the issue.

```
salt.modules.augeas_cfg.get (path, value='')
Get a value for a specific augeas path
CLI Example:
salt '*' augeas.get /files/etc/hosts/1/ ipaddr
```

```
salt.modules.augeas_cfq.ls (path)
     List the direct children of a node
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.ls /files/etc/passwd
salt.modules.augeas_cfg.match (path, value='')
     Get matches for path expression
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.match /files/etc/services/service-name ssh
salt.modules.augeas_cfg.remove(path)
     Get matches for path expression
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.remove /files/etc/sysctl.conf/net.ipv4.conf.all.log_martians
salt.modules.augeas_cfg.setvalue(*args)
     Set a value for a specific augeas path
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.setvalue /files/etc/hosts/1/canonical localhost
     This will set the first entry in /etc/hosts to localhost
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.setvalue /files/etc/hosts/01/ipaddr 192.168.1.1 \
                                /files/etc/hosts/01/canonical test
     Adds a new host to /etc/hosts the ip address 192.168.1.1 and hostname test
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.setvalue prefix=/files/etc/sudoers/ \
              "spec[user = '%wheel']/user" "%wheel" \
               "spec[user = '%wheel']/host_group/host" 'ALL' \
               "spec[user = '%wheel']/host_group/command[1]" 'ALL' \
               "spec[user = '%wheel']/host_group/command[1]/tag" 'PASSWD' \
               "spec[user = '%wheel']/host_group/command[2]" '/usr/bin/apt-get' \
               "spec[user = '%wheel']/host_group/command[2]/tag" NOPASSWD
     Ensures that the following line is present in /etc/sudoers:
     %wheel ALL = PASSWD : ALL , NOPASSWD : /usr/bin/apt-get , /usr/bin/aptitude
salt.modules.augeas_cfg.tree(path)
     Returns recursively the complete tree of a node
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' augeas.tree /files/etc/
```

20.16.9 salt.modules.aws_sqs

Support for the Amazon Simple Queue Service.

```
salt.modules.aws_sqs.create_queue (name, region, opts=None, user=None)
     Creates a queue with the correct name.
     name Name of the SQS queue to create
     region Region to create the SQS queue in
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
salt.modules.aws_sqs.delete_queue (name, region, opts=None, user=None)
     Deletes a queue in the region.
     name Name of the SQS queue to deletes
     region Name of the region to delete the queue from
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
salt.modules.aws_sqs.list_queues(region, opts=None, user=None)
     List the queues in the selected region.
     region Region to list SQS queues for
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
salt.modules.aws_sqs.queue_exists (name, region, opts=None, user=None)
     Returns True or False on whether the queue exists in the region
     name Name of the SQS queue to search for
     region Name of the region to search for the queue in
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
20.16.10 salt.modules.blockdev
Module for managing block devices
New in version Helium.
salt.modules.blockdev.dump(device, args=None)
     Return all contents of dumpe2fs for a specified device
     CLI Example: .. code-block:: bash
          salt '*' extfs.dump /dev/sda1
salt.modules.blockdev.tune(device, **kwargs)
     Set attributes for the specified device
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' blockdev.tune /dev/sda1 read-ahead=1024 read-write=True
```

Valid options are: read-ahead, filesystem-read-ahead, read-only, read-write.

See the blockdev (8) manpage for a more complete description of these options.

```
salt.modules.blockdev.wipe(device)
     Remove the filesystem information
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' blockdev.wipe /dev/sda1
20.16.11 salt.modules.bluez
Support for Bluetooth (using BlueZ in Linux).
The following packages are required packages for this module:
     bluez \geq 5.7 bluez-libs \geq 5.7 bluez-utils \geq 5.7 pybluez \geq 0.18
salt.modules.bluez.address()
     Get the many addresses of the Bluetooth adapter
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.address
salt.modules.bluez.block (bdaddr)
     Block a specific bluetooth device by BD Address
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.block DE:AD:BE:EF:CA:FE
salt.modules.bluez.discoverable(dev)
     Enable this bluetooth device to be discoverable.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.discoverable hci0
salt.modules.bluez.noscan(dev)
     Turn off scanning modes on this device.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.noscan hci0
salt.modules.bluez.pair(address, key)
     Pair the bluetooth adapter with a device
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.pair DE:AD:BE:EF:CA:FE 1234
     Where DE:AD:BE:EF:CA:FE is the address of the device to pair with, and 1234 is the passphrase.
     TODO: This function is currently broken, as the bluez-simple-agent program no longer ships with BlueZ >=
     5.0. It needs to be refactored.
salt.modules.bluez.power(dev, mode)
     Power a bluetooth device on or off
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' bluetooth.power hci0 on
```

salt '*' bluetooth.power hci0 off

```
salt.modules.bluez.scan()
     Scan for bluetooth devices in the area
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.scan
salt.modules.bluez.start()
     Start the bluetooth service.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.start
salt.modules.bluez.stop()
     Stop the bluetooth service.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.stop
salt.modules.bluez.unblock(bdaddr)
     Unblock a specific bluetooth device by BD Address
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.unblock DE:AD:BE:EF:CA:FE
salt.modules.bluez.unpair(address)
     Unpair the bluetooth adapter from a device
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetooth.unpair DE:AD:BE:EF:CA:FE
     Where DE:AD:BE:EF:CA:FE is the address of the device to unpair.
     TODO: This function is currently broken, as the bluez-simple-agent program no longer ships with BlueZ >=
     5.0. It needs to be refactored.
salt.modules.bluez.version()
     Return Bluez version from bluetoothd -v
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bluetoothd.version
20.16.12 salt.modules.brew
Homebrew for Mac OS X
salt.modules.brew.install(name=None, pkgs=None, taps=None, options=None, **kwargs)
     Install the passed package(s) with brew install
     name The name of the formula to be installed. Note that this parameter is ignored if "pkgs" is passed.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
```

CLI Example:

taps Unofficial Github repos to use when updating and installing formulas.

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> tap='<tap>'
salt '*' pkg.install zlib taps='homebrew/dupes'
salt '*' pkg.install php54 taps='["josegonzalez/php", "homebrew/dupes"]'
```

options Options to pass to brew. Only applies to initial install. Due to how brew works, modifying chosen options requires a full uninstall followed by a fresh install. Note that if "pkgs" is used, all options will be passed to all packages. Unreconized options for a package will be silently ignored by brew.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> tap='<tap>'
salt '*' pkg.install php54 taps='["josegonzalez/php", "homebrew/dupes"]' options='["--with-f
```

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of formulas to install. Must be passed as a python list.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
{'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>',
               'new': '<new-version>'}
CLI Example:
salt '*' pkg.install 'package package package'
```

```
salt.modules.brew.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation

Note that this currently not fully implemented but needs to return something to avoid a traceback when calling pkg.latest.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkq.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3>
```

salt.modules.brew.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)

List the packages currently installed in a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
salt.modules.brew.list_upgrades()
```

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for all packages

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
salt.modules.brew.refresh_db()
    Update the homebrew package repository.
```

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

salt.modules.brew.remove (name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)

Removes packages with brew uninstall.

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>,<package2>,<package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

salt.modules.brew.upgrade(refresh=True)

Upgrade outdated, unpinned brews.

refresh Fetch the newest version of Homebrew and all formulae from GitHub before installing.

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade
```

```
salt.modules.brew.upgrade_available(pkg)
```

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.brew.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3>
```

20.16.13 salt.modules.bridge

Module for gathering and managing bridging information

```
salt.modules.bridge.add(br=None)
```

Creates a bridge

```
salt '*' bridge.add br0
salt.modules.bridge.addif(br=None, iface=None)
     Adds an interface to a bridge
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.addif br0 eth0
salt.modules.bridge.delete(br=None)
     Deletes a bridge
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.delete br0
salt.modules.bridge.delif(br=None, iface=None)
     Removes an interface from a bridge
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.delif br0 eth0
salt.modules.bridge.find_interfaces(*args)
     Returns the bridge to which the interfaces are bond to
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.find_interfaces eth0 [eth1...]
salt.modules.bridge.interfaces(br=None)
     Returns interfaces attached to a bridge
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.interfaces br0
salt.modules.bridge.list()
     Returns the machine's bridges list
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.list
salt.modules.bridge.show(br=None)
     Returns bridges interfaces along with enslaved physical interfaces. If no interface is given, all bridges are shown,
     else only the specified bridge values are returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.show
     salt '*' bridge.show br0
salt.modules.bridge.stp(br=None, state='disable', iface=None)
     Sets Spanning Tree Protocol state for a bridge
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' bridge.stp br0 enable
     salt '*' bridge.stp br0 disable
```

For BSD-like operating systems, it is required to add the interface on which to enable the STP.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' bridge.stp bridge0 enable fxp0
salt '*' bridge.stp bridge0 disable fxp0
```

20.16.14 salt.modules.bsd_shadow

Manage the password database on BSD systems

```
salt.modules.bsd_shadow.default_hash()
    Returns the default hash used for unset passwords
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.default_hash
```

salt.modules.bsd_shadow.info(name)

Return information for the specified user

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.info someuser
```

```
salt.modules.bsd_shadow.set_password(name, password)
```

Set the password for a named user. The password must be a properly defined hash. The password hash can be generated with this command:

```
python -c "import crypt; print crypt.crypt('password', ciphersalt)"
```

NOTE: When constructing the ciphersalt string, you must escape any dollar signs, to avoid them being interpolated by the shell.

'password' is, of course, the password for which you want to generate a hash.

ciphersalt is a combination of a cipher identifier, an optional number of rounds, and the cryptographic salt. The arrangement and format of these fields depends on the cipher and which flavor of BSD you are using. For more information on this, see the manpage for crpyt (3). On NetBSD, additional information is available in passwd.conf (5).

It is important to make sure that a supported cipher is used.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.set_password someuser '$1$UYCIxa628.9qXjpQCjM4a..'
```

20.16.15 salt.modules.cassandra

Cassandra NoSQL Database Module

depends

• pycassa Cassandra Python adapter

configuration The location of the 'nodetool' command, host, and thrift port needs to be specified via pillar:

```
cassandra.nodetool: /usr/local/bin/nodetool
cassandra.host: localhost
cassandra.thrift_port: 9160
```

```
salt.modules.cassandra.column_families(keyspace=None)
    Return existing column families for all keyspaces or just the provided one.
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.column_families
    salt '*' cassandra.column_families <keyspace>
salt.modules.cassandra.column_family_definition(keyspace=None,
                                                                                     col-
                                                         umn family=None)
    Return a dictionary of column family definitions for the given keyspace/column_family
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.column_family_definition <keyspace> <column_family>
salt.modules.cassandra.compactionstats()
    Return compactionstats info
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.compactionstats
salt.modules.cassandra.info()
    Return cassandra node info
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.info
salt.modules.cassandra.keyspaces()
    Return existing keyspaces
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.keyspaces
salt.modules.cassandra.netstats()
    Return netstats info
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.netstats
salt.modules.cassandra.ring()
    Return cassandra ring info
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.ring
salt.modules.cassandra.tpstats()
    Return tpstats info
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cassandra.tpstats
salt.modules.cassandra.version()
    Return the cassandra version
    CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' cassandra.version
```

20.16.16 salt.modules.chocolatey

A dead simple module wrapping calls to the Chocolatey package manager (http://chocolatey.org)

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.bootstrap(force=False)
```

Download and install the latest version of the Chocolatey package manager via the official bootstrap.

Chocolatey requires Windows PowerShell and the .NET v4.0 runtime. Depending on the host's version of Windows, chocolatey.bootstrap will attempt to ensure these prerequisites are met by downloading and executing the appropriate installers from Microsoft.

Note that if PowerShell is installed, you may have to restart the host machine for Chocolatey to work.

force Run the bootstrap process even if Chocolatey is found in the path.

```
salt '*' chocolatey.bootstrap salt '*' chocolatey.bootstrap force=True
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.chocolatey.install| (name, version=None, source=None, force=False)|$

Instructs Chocolatey to install a package.

name The name of the package to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

version Install a specific version of the package. Defaults to latest version.

source Chocolatey repository (directory, share or remote URL feed) the package comes from. Defaults to the official Chocolatey feed.

force Reinstall the current version of an existing package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install <package name>
salt '*' chocolatey.install <package name> version=<package version>
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.install_cygwin (name)
```

Instructs Chocolatey to install a package via Cygwin.

name The name of the package to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install_cygwin <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.install_gem(name, version=None)
```

Instructs Chocolatey to install a package via Ruby's Gems.

name The name of the package to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

version Install a specific version of the package. Defaults to latest version available.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install_gem <package name>
salt '*' chocolatey.install_gem <package name> version=<package version>
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.install_missing(name, version=None, source=None)
```

Instructs Chocolatey to install a package if it doesn't already exist.

name The name of the package to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

version Install a specific version of the package. Defaults to latest version available.

source Chocolatey repository (directory, share or remote URL feed) the package comes from. Defaults to the official Chocolatey feed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install_missing <package name>
salt '*' chocolatey.install_missing <package name> version=<package version>
```

salt.modules.chocolatey.install_python(name, version=None)

Instructs Chocolatey to install a package via Python's easy_install.

name The name of the package to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

version Install a specific version of the package. Defaults to latest version available.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install_python <package name> salt '*' chocolatey.install_python <package name> version=<package version>
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.install_webpi(name)
```

Instructs Chocolatey to install a package via the Microsoft Web PI service.

name The name of the package to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install_webpi <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.install windowsfeatures(name)
```

Instructs Chocolatey to install a Windows Feature via the Deployment Image Servicing and Management tool.

name The name of the feature to be installed. Only accepts a single argument.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.install_windowsfeatures <package name>
```

salt.modules.chocolatey.list (filter, all_versions=False, pre_versions=False, source=None) Instructs Chocolatey to pull a vague package list from the repository.

filter Term used to filter down results. Searches against name/description/tag.

all_versions Display all available package versions in results. Defaults to False.

pre_versions Display pre-release packages in results. Defaults to False.

source Chocolatey repository (directory, share or remote URL feed) the package comes from. Defaults to the official Chocolatey feed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.list <filter>
salt '*' chocolatey.list <filter> all_versions=True
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.list_webpi()
```

Instructs Chocolatey to pull a full package list from the Microsoft Web PI repository.

```
salt '*' chocolatey.list_webpi
```

salt.modules.chocolatey.list_windowsfeatures()

Instructs Chocolatey to pull a full package list from the Windows Features list, via the Deployment Image Servicing and Management tool.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.list_windowsfeatures
```

salt.modules.chocolatey.uninstall(name, version=None)

Instructs Chocolatey to uninstall a package.

name The name of the package to be uninstalled. Only accepts a single argument.

version Uninstalls a specific version of the package. Defaults to latest version installed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' chocolatey.uninstall <package name>
salt '*' chocolatey.uninstall <package name> version=<package version>
```

salt.modules.chocolatey.update(name, source=None, pre_versions=False)

Instructs Chocolatey to update packages on the system.

name The name of the package to update, or "all" to update everything installed on the system.

source Chocolatey repository (directory, share or remote URL feed) the package comes from. Defaults to the official Chocolatey feed.

pre_versions Include pre-release packages in comparison. Defaults to False.

CLI Example:

```
salt "*" chocolatey.update all
salt "*" chocolatey.update <package name> pre_versions=True
```

```
salt.modules.chocolatey.version(name,
```

check remote=False,

source=None,

pre_versions=False)
Instructs Chocolatey to check an installed package version, and optionally compare it to one available from a remote feed.

name The name of the package to check.

check_remote Get the version number of the latest package from the remote feed. Defaults to False.

source Chocolatey repository (directory, share or remote URL feed) the package comes from. Defaults to the official Chocolatey feed.

pre_versions Include pre-release packages in comparison. Defaults to False.

CLI Example:

```
salt "*" chocolatey.version <package name>
salt "*" chocolatey.version <package name> check_remote=True
```

20.16.17 salt.modules.cloud

Salt-specific interface for calling Salt Cloud directly

```
salt.modules.cloud.action(fun=None, cloudmap=None, names=None, provider=None, in-
                               stance=None, **kwargs)
     Execute a single action on the given provider/instance
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.action start instance=myinstance
     salt '*' cloud.action stop instance=myinstance
     salt '*' cloud.action show_image provider=my-ec2-config
                                                                               image=ami-1624987f
salt.modules.cloud.create(provider, names, **kwargs)
     Create an instance using Salt Cloud
     CLI Example:
     salt minionname cloud.create my-ec2-config myinstance
                                                                              image=ami-1624987f size='Micro
salt.modules.cloud.destroy(names)
     Destroy the named VM(s)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.destroy myinstance
salt.modules.cloud.full_query (query_type='list_nodes_full')
     List all available cloud provider data
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.full_query
salt.modules.cloud.list_images (provider='all')
     List cloud provider images for the given providers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.list_images my-gce-config
salt.modules.cloud.list_locations(provider='all')
     List cloud provider locations for the given providers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.list_locations my-gce-config
salt.modules.cloud.list sizes(provider='all')
     List cloud provider sizes for the given providers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.list_sizes my-gce-config
salt.modules.cloud.profile (profile, names, vm_overrides=None, **kwargs)
     Spin up an instance using Salt Cloud
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cloud.profile my-gce-config myinstance
salt.modules.cloud.query (query_type='list_nodes')
     List cloud provider data for all providers
     CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' cloud.query
    salt '*' cloud.query list_nodes_full
    salt '*' cloud.query list_nodes_select
salt.modules.cloud.select_query (query_type='list_nodes_select')
    List selected nodes
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' cloud.select_query
salt.modules.cloud.volume_attach (provider, names, **kwargs)
    Attach volume to a server
    CLI Example:
    salt minionname cloud.volume_attach my-nova myblock
                                                                             server_name=myserver
salt.modules.cloud.volume_create(provider, names, **kwargs)
    Create volume
    CLI Example:
    salt minionname cloud.volume_create my-nova myblock size=100
                                                                                      voltype=SSD
salt.modules.cloud.volume_delete(provider, names, **kwargs)
    Delete volume
    CLI Example:
    salt minionname cloud.volume_delete my-nova myblock
salt.modules.cloud.volume detach(provider, names, **kwargs)
    Detach volume from a server
    CLI Example:
    salt minionname cloud.volume_detach my-nova myblock
                                                                             server_name=myserver
salt.modules.cloud.volume list(provider)
    List block storage volumes
    CLI Example:
    salt minionname cloud.volume_list my-nova
```

20.16.18 salt.modules.cmdmod

A module for shelling out

Keep in mind that this module is insecure, in that it can give whomever has access to the master root execution access to all salt minions

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.exec_code (lang, code, cwd=None)
```

Pass in two strings, the first naming the executable language, aka - python2, python3, ruby, perl, lua, etc. the second string containing the code you wish to execute. The stdout and stderr will be returned

```
salt '*' cmd.exec_code ruby 'puts "cheese"'
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.has exec(cmd)
```

Returns true if the executable is available on the minion, false otherwise

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cmd.has_exec cat
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.retcode (cmd, cwd=None, stdin=None, runas=None, shell='/bin/bash', python_shell=True, env=None, clean_env=False, template=None, umask=None, output_loglevel='info', quiet=False, timeout=None, reset_system_locale=True, ignore_retcode=False, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Execute a shell command and return the command's return code.

Note that env represents the environment variables for the command, and should be formatted as a dict, or a YAML string which resolves to a dict.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cmd.retcode "file /bin/bash"
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.retcode template=jinja "file {{grains.pythonpath[0]}}/python"
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
salt '*' cmd.retcode "grep f" stdin='one\ntwo\nthree\nfour\nfive\n'
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.run(cmd,
                                      cwd=None,
                                                   stdin=None,
                                                                 runas=None,
                                                                                shell='/bin/bash',
                              python_shell=True,
                                                   env=None,
                                                               clean env=False,
                                                                                  template=None,
                                                             output_loglevel='info',
                               rstrip=True,
                                             umask=None,
                                                                                     quiet=False,
                              timeout=None,
                                                reset system locale=True,
                                                                            ignore retcode=False,
                               salteny='base', **kwargs)
```

Execute the passed command and return the output as a string

Note that env represents the environment variables for the command, and should be formatted as a dict, or a YAML string which resolves to a dict.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run "ls -l | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run template=jinja "ls -l /tmp/{{grains.id}} | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

Specify an alternate shell with the shell parameter:

```
salt '*' cmd.run "Get-ChildItem C:\ " shell='powershell'
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
salt '*' cmd.run "grep f" stdin='one\ntwo\nthree\nfour\nfive\n'
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.run_all(cmd, cwd=None, stdin=None, runas=None, shell='/bin/bash', python_shell=True, env=None, clean_env=False, template=None, rstrip=True, umask=None, output_loglevel='info', quiet=False, timeout=None, reset_system_locale=True, ignore_retcode=False, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Execute the passed command and return a dict of return data

Note that env represents the environment variables for the command, and should be formatted as a dict, or a YAML string which resolves to a dict.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_all "ls -l | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_all template=jinja "ls -l /tmp/{{grains.id}} | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_all "grep f" stdin='one\ntwo\nthree\nfour\nfive\n'
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.run_stderr(cmd, cwd=None, stdin=None, runas=None, shell='/bin/bash', python_shell=True, env=None, clean_env=False, template=None, rstrip=True, umask=None, output_loglevel='info', quiet=False, timeout=None, reset_system_locale=True, ignore retcode=False, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Execute a command and only return the standard error

Note that env represents the environment variables for the command, and should be formatted as a dict, or a YAML string which resolves to a dict.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_stderr "ls -l | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_stderr template=jinja "ls -l /tmp/{{grains.id}} | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_stderr "grep f" stdin='one\ntwo\nthree\nfour\nfive\n'
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.run_stdout(cmd, cwd=None, stdin=None, runas=None, shell='/bin/bash', python_shell=True, env=None, clean_env=False, template=None, rstrip=True, umask=None, output_loglevel='info', quiet=False, timeout=None, reset_system_locale=True, ignore_retcode=False, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Execute a command, and only return the standard out

Note that env represents the environment variables for the command, and should be formatted as a dict, or a YAML string which resolves to a dict.

```
salt '*' cmd.run_stdout "ls -l | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

The template arg can be set to 'jinja' or another supported template engine to render the command arguments before execution. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_stdout template=jinja "ls -l /tmp/{{grains.id}} | awk '/foo/{print \$2}'"
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
salt '*' cmd.run_stdout "grep f" stdin='one\ntwo\nthree\nfour\nfive\n'
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.script (source, args=None, cwd=None, stdin=None, runas=None, shell='/bin/bash', python_shell=True, env=None, template='jinja', umask=None, output_loglevel='info', quiet=False, timeout=None, reset_system_locale=True, __env__=None, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Download a script from a remote location and execute the script locally. The script can be located on the salt master file server or on an HTTP/FTP server.

The script will be executed directly, so it can be written in any available programming language.

The script can also be formatted as a template, the default is jinja. Arguments for the script can be specified as well.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cmd.script salt://scripts/runme.sh
salt '*' cmd.script salt://scripts/runme.sh 'arg1 arg2 "arg 3"'
salt '*' cmd.script salt://scripts/windows_task.ps1 args=' -Input c:\tmp\infile.txt' shell='powe
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
salt '*' cmd.script salt://scripts/runme.sh stdin='one\ntwo\nthree\nfour\nfive\n'
```

Download a script from a remote location and execute the script locally. The script can be located on the salt master file server or on an HTTP/FTP server.

The script will be executed directly, so it can be written in any available programming language.

The script can also be formatted as a template, the default is jinja.

Only evaluate the script return code and do not block for terminal output

CLI Example:

```
salt '\,\star' cmd.script_retcode salt://scripts/runme.sh
```

A string of standard input can be specified for the command to be run using the stdin parameter. This can be useful in cases where sensitive information must be read from standard input.:

```
\verb|salt'*'| cmd.script_retcode salt://scripts/runme.sh | stdin='one \ntwo \nthree \nfour \nfive \n' | stdin='one \nthree \nfour \nfive \n' | stdin='one \nthree \nfour \nfive \n' | stdin='one \nthree \nfive \n' | stdin='one \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \n' | stdin='one \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \nthree \n' | stdin='one \nthree \
```

```
salt.modules.cmdmod.which(cmd)
```

Returns the path of an executable available on the minion, None otherwise

```
salt '*' cmd.which cat

salt.modules.cmdmod.which_bin(cmds)
   Returns the first command found in a list of commands

CLI Example:
   salt '*' cmd.which_bin '[pip2, pip, pip-python]'
```

20.16.19 salt.modules.composer

Use composer to install PHP dependencies for a directory

```
salt.modules.composer.install (dir, composer=None, php=None, runas=None, prefer\_dist=None, no\_scripts=None, no\_plugins=None, optimize=None, no\_dev=None, quiet=False, composer\_home='/root')
```

Install composer dependencies for a directory.

If composer has not been installed globally making it available in the system PATH & making it executible, the composer and php parameters will need to be set to the location of the executables.

dir Directory location of the composer.json file.

composer Location of the composer.phar file. If not set composer will just execute "composer" as if it is installed globally. (i.e. /path/to/composer.phar)

php Location of the php executible to use with composer. (i.e. /usr/bin/php)

runas Which system user to run composer as.

prefer_source -prefer-source option of composer.

prefer_dist -prefer-dist option of composer.

no_scripts –no-scripts option of composer.

no_plugins –no-plugins option of composer.

optimize -optimize-autoloader option of composer. Recommended for production.

no_dev –no-dev option for composer. Recommended for production.

quiet –quiet option for composer. Whether or not to return output from composer.

composer_home \$COMPOSER_HOME environment variable

CLI Example:

20.16.20 salt.modules.config

```
Return config information
```

```
salt.modules.config.backup_mode (backup='')
Return the backup mode
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' config.backup_mode
salt.modules.config.dot_vals(value)
     Pass in a configuration value that should be preceded by the module name and a dot, this will return a list of all
     read key/value pairs
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' config.dot_vals host
salt.modules.config.gather_bootstrap_script (replace=False)
     Download the salt-bootstrap script, set replace to True to refresh the script if it has already been downloaded
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' config.gather_bootstrap_script True
salt.modules.config.get (key, default='')
     Attempt to retrieve the named value from opts, pillar, grains of the master config, if the named value is not
     available return the passed default. The default return is an empty string.
     The value can also represent a value in a nested dict using a ":" delimiter for the dict. This means that if a dict
     looks like this:
     {'pkg': {'apache': 'httpd'}}
     To retrieve the value associated with the apache key in the pkg dict this key can be passed:
     pkg:apache
     This routine traverses these data stores in this order:
         •Local minion config (opts)
         •Minion's grains
         •Minion's pillar
         •Master config
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' config.get pkg:apache
salt.modules.config.manage_mode(mode)
     Return a mode value, normalized to a string
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' config.manage_mode
salt.modules.config.merge(value,
                                              default='',
                                                             omit_opts=False,
                                                                                  omit_master=False,
                                   omit pillar=False)
     Retrieves an option based on key, merging all matches.
     Same as option () except that it merges all matches, rather than taking the first match.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' config.merge schedule
salt.modules.config.option(value,
                                               default="',
                                                             omit_opts=False,
                                                                                  omit_master=False,
                                    omit pillar=False)
```

Pass in a generic option and receive the value that will be assigned

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' config.option redis.host
salt.modules.config.valid_fileproto(uri)
```

Returns a boolean value based on whether or not the URI passed has a valid remote file protocol designation

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' config.valid_fileproto salt://path/to/file
```

20.16.21 salt.modules.cp

Minion side functions for salt-cp

Download and cache everything under a directory from the master

include_pat [None] Glob or regex to narrow down the files cached from the given path. If matching with a regex, the regex must be prefixed with \mathbb{E}_{0} , otherwise the expression will be interpreted as a glob.

New in version Helium.

exclude_pat [None] Glob or regex to exclude certain files from being cached from the given path. If matching with a regex, the regex must be prefixed with E@, otherwise the expression will be interpreted as a glob.

Note: If used with include_pat, files matching this pattern will be excluded from the subset of files defined by include_pat.

New in version Helium.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' cp.cache_dir salt://path/to/dir
salt '*' cp.cache_dir salt://path/to/dir include_pat='E@*.py$'
```

salt.modules.cp.cache_file (path, saltenv='base', env=None)

Used to cache a single file in the local salt-master file cache.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.cache_file salt://path/to/file
```

```
salt.modules.cp.cache_files (paths, saltenv='base', env=None)
```

Used to gather many files from the master, the gathered files will be saved in the minion cachedir reflective to the paths retrieved from the master.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.cache_files salt://pathto/file1,salt://pathto/file1
```

```
\verb|salt.modules.cp.cache_local_file|(path)|
```

Cache a local file on the minion in the localfiles cache

```
salt '*' cp.cache_local_file /etc/hosts
```

```
salt.modules.cp.cache master(saltenv='base', env=None)
     Retrieve all of the files on the master and cache them locally
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cp.cache_master
salt.modules.cp.get_dir(path, dest, saltenv='base', template=None, gzip=None, env=None)
     Used to recursively copy a directory from the salt master
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cp.get_dir salt://path/to/dir/ /minion/dest
     get_dir supports the same template and gzip arguments as get_file.
salt.modules.cp.get_file (path, dest, saltenv='base', makedirs=False, template=None, gzip=None,
                                 env=None)
     Used to get a single file from the salt master
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cp.get_file salt://path/to/file /minion/dest
     Template rendering can be enabled on both the source and destination file names like so:
     salt '*' cp.get_file "salt://{{grains.os}}/vimrc" /etc/vimrc template=jinja
     This example would instruct all Salt minions to download the vimrc from a directory with the same name as
     their os grain and copy it to /etc/vimrc
     For larger files, the cp.get file module also supports gzip compression. Because gzip is CPU-intensive, this
     should only be used in scenarios where the compression ratio is very high (e.g. pretty-printed JSON or YAML
     Use the gzip named argument to enable it. Valid values are 1..9, where 1 is the lightest compression and 9 the
     heaviest. 1 uses the least CPU on the master (and minion), 9 uses the most.
salt.modules.cp.get_file_str(path, saltenv='base', env=None)
     Return the contents of a file from a URL
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cp.get_file_str salt://my/file
salt.modules.cp.qet template(path, dest, template='jinja', saltenv='base', env=None, **kwargs)
     Render a file as a template before setting it down
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cp.qet_template salt://path/to/template /minion/dest
salt.modules.cp.get url(path, dest, saltenv='base', env=None)
     Used to get a single file from a URL.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cp.get_url salt://my/file /tmp/mine
     salt '*' cp.get_url http://www.slashdot.org /tmp/index.html
```

Return the hash of a file, to get the hash of a file on the salt master file server prepend the path with salt://<file on server> otherwise, prepend the file with / for a local file.

salt.modules.cp.hash file (path, saltenv='base', env=None)

```
CLI Example:
```

salt '*' cp.hash_file salt://path/to/file

salt.modules.cp.is_cached (path, saltenv='base', env=None)

Return a boolean if the given path on the master has been cached on the minion

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.is_cached salt://path/to/file
```

salt.modules.cp.list_master(saltenv='base', prefix='', env=None)

List all of the files stored on the master

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.list_master
```

salt.modules.cp.list_master_dirs (saltenv='base', prefix='', env=None)

List all of the directories stored on the master

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.list_master_dirs
```

salt.modules.cp.list_master_symlinks(saltenv='base', prefix='', env=None)

List all of the symlinks stored on the master

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.list_master_symlinks
```

salt.modules.cp.list_minion(saltenv='base', env=None)

List all of the files cached on the minion

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.list_minion
```

salt.modules.cp.list_states (saltenv='base', env=None)

List all of the available state modules in an environment

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.list_states
```

salt.modules.cp.push(path)

Push a file from the minion up to the master, the file will be saved to the salt master in the master's minion files cachedir (defaults to /var/cache/salt/master/minions/minion-id/files)

Since this feature allows a minion to push a file up to the master server it is disabled by default for security purposes. To enable, set file_recv to True in the master configuration file, and restart the master.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.push /etc/fstab
```

salt.modules.cp.push_dir(path, glob=None)

Push a directory from the minion up to the master, the files will be saved to the salt master in the master's minion files cachedir (defaults to /var/cache/salt/master/minions/minion-id/files). It also has a glob for matching specific files using globbing.

New in version Helium.

Since this feature allows a minion to push files up to the master server it is disabled by default for security purposes. To enable, set file recy to True in the master configuration file, and restart the master.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cp.push /usr/lib/mysql
salt '*' cp.push_dir /etc/modprobe.d/ glob='*.conf'
salt.modules.cp.recv(files, dest)
```

Used with salt-cp, pass the files dict, and the destination.

This function receives small fast copy files from the master via salt-cp. It does not work via the CLI.

20.16.22 salt.modules.cron

```
Work with cron
```

```
salt.modules.cron.list tab(user)
```

Return the contents of the specified user's crontab

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cron.list_tab root
```

```
salt.modules.cron.ls(user)
```

Return the contents of the specified user's crontab

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cron.list_tab root
```

```
salt.modules.cron.raw_cron(user)
```

Return the contents of the user's crontab

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cron.raw_cron root
```

salt.modules.cron.rm(user, cmd, minute=None, hour=None, daymonth=None, month=None, dayweek=None, identifier=None)

Remove a cron job for a specified user. If any of the day/time params are specified, the job will only be removed if the specified params match.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' cron.rm_job root /usr/local/weekly
salt '*' cron.rm_job root /usr/bin/foo dayweek=1
```

salt.modules.cron.rm_env(user, name)

Remove cron environment variable for a specified user.

CLI Example:

```
salt '\star' cron.rm_env root MAILTO
```

Remove a cron job for a specified user. If any of the day/time params are specified, the job will only be removed if the specified params match.

```
salt '*' cron.rm_job root /usr/local/weekly
     salt '*' cron.rm_job root /usr/bin/foo dayweek=1
salt.modules.cron.set_env(user, name, value=None)
     Set up an environment variable in the crontab.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cron.set_env root MAILTO user@example.com
salt.modules.cron.set_job(user, minute, hour, daymonth, month, dayweek, cmd, comment, identi-
     Sets a cron job up for a specified user.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cron.set_job root '*' '*' '*' 1 /usr/local/weekly
salt.modules.cron.set_special(user, special, cmd)
     Set up a special command in the crontab.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cron.set_special root @hourly 'echo foobar'
salt.modules.cron.write cron file (user, path)
     Writes the contents of a file to a user's crontab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cron.write_cron_file root /tmp/new_cron
salt.modules.cron.write_cron_file_verbose(user, path)
     Writes the contents of a file to a user's crontab and return error message on error
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' cron.write_cron_file_verbose root /tmp/new_cron
```

20.16.23 salt.modules.daemontools

daemontools service module. This module will create daemontools type service watcher.

This module is compatible with the service states, so it can be used to maintain services using the provider argument:

```
myservice:
    service:
    - running
    - provider: daemontools

salt.modules.daemontools.available(name)
    Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' daemontools.available foo

salt.modules.daemontools.full_restart(name)
    Calls daemontools.restart() function
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.full_restart <service name>
salt.modules.daemontools.get_all()
     Return a list of all available services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.get_all
salt.modules.daemontools.missing(name)
     The inverse of daemontools available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.missing foo
salt.modules.daemontools.reload(name)
     Wrapper for term()
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.reload <service name>
salt.modules.daemontools.restart(name)
     Restart service via daemontools. This will stop/start service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.restart <service name>
salt.modules.daemontools.start(name)
     Starts service via daemontools
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.start <service name>
salt.modules.daemontools.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service via daemontools, return pid if running
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.status <service name>
salt.modules.daemontools.stop(name)
     Stops service via daemontools
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.stop <service name>
salt.modules.daemontools.term(name)
     Send a TERM to service via daemontools
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' daemontools.term <service name>
```

20.16.24 salt.modules.darwin_sysctl

```
Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters
salt.modules.darwin_sysctl.assign(name, value)
     Assign a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.assign net.inet.icmp.icmplim 50
salt.modules.darwin_sysctl.get (name)
     Return a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.get hw.physmem
salt.modules.darwin_sysctl.persist(name, value, config='/etc/sysctl.conf')
     Assign and persist a simple sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.persist net.inet.icmp.icmplim 50
     salt '*' sysctl.persist coretemp_load NO config=/etc/sysctl.conf
salt.modules.darwin_sysctl.show()
     Return a list of sysctl parameters for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.show
```

20.16.25 salt.modules.data

Manage a local persistent data structure that can hold any arbitrary data specific to the minion

```
salt.modules.data.cas (key, value, old_value)
Check and set a value in the minion datastore
CLI Example:
salt '*' data.cas <key> <value> <old_value>
salt.modules.data.clear()
Clear out all of the data in the minion datastore, this function is destructive!
CLI Example:
salt '*' data.clear
salt.modules.data.dump (new_data)
Replace the entire datastore with a passed data structure
CLI Example:
salt '*' data.dump '{'eggs': 'spam'}'
salt.modules.data.getval (key)
Get a value from the minion datastore
```

```
salt '*' data.getval <key>
salt.modules.data.getvals(*keys)
     Get values from the minion datastore
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' data.getvals <key> [<key> ...]
salt.modules.data.load()
     Return all of the data in the minion datastore
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' data.load
salt.modules.data.update(key, value)
     Update a key with a value in the minion datastore
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' data.update <key> <value>
20.16.26 salt.modules.ddns
Support for RFC 2136 dynamic DNS updates.
     depends
            • dnspython Python module
     configuration If you want to use TSIG authentication for the server, there are a couple of optional con-
          figuration parameters made available to support this (the keyname is only needed if the keyring
          contains more than one key):
          ddns.keyring: keyring file (default=None)
          ddns.keyname: key name in file (default=None)
          The keyring file needs to be in json format and the key name needs to end with an extra period in
          the file, similar to this:
          {'keyname.': 'keycontent'}
salt.modules.ddns.add_host (zone, name, ttl, ip, nameserver='127.0.0.1', replace=True, **kwargs)
     Add, replace, or update the A and PTR (reverse) records for a host.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 ddns.add_host example.com host1 60 10.1.1.1
salt.modules.ddns.delete(zone, name, rdtype=None, data=None, nameserver='127.0.0.1',
                                **kwargs)
     Delete a DNS record.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 ddns.delete example.com host1 A
```

Returns true if any records are deleted.

Delete the forward and reverse records for a host.

salt.modules.ddns.delete_host(zone, name, nameserver='127.0.0.1', **kwargs)

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 ddns.delete_host example.com host1
```

Add, replace, or update a DNS record. nameserver must be an IP address and the minion running this module must have update privileges on that server. If replace is true, first deletes all records for this name and type.

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 ddns.update example.com host1 60 A 10.0.0.1
```

20.16.27 salt.modules.deb_apache

Support for Apache

Please note: The functions in here are Debian-specific. Placing them in this separate file will allow them to load only on Debian-based systems, while still loading under the apache namespace.

```
salt.modules.deb_apache.a2dismod(mod)
```

Runs a2dismod for the given mod.

This will only be functional on Debian-based operating systems (Ubuntu, Mint, etc).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' apache.a2dismod vhost_alias
```

```
salt.modules.deb_apache.a2dissite(site)
```

Runs a2dissite for the given site.

This will only be functional on Debian-based operating systems (Ubuntu, Mint, etc).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' apache.a2dissite example.com
```

```
salt.modules.deb_apache.a2enmod(mod)
```

Runs a2enmod for the given mod.

This will only be functional on Debian-based operating systems (Ubuntu, Mint, etc).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' apache.a2enmod vhost_alias
```

```
salt.modules.deb_apache.a2ensite(site)
```

Runs a2ensite for the given site.

This will only be functional on Debian-based operating systems (Ubuntu, Mint, etc).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' apache.a2ensite example.com
```

salt.modules.deb_apache.check_mod_enabled(mod)

Checks to see if the specific mod symlink is in /etc/apache2/mods-enabled.

This will only be functional on Debian-based operating systems (Ubuntu, Mint, etc).

```
salt '*' apache.check_mod_enabled status.conf
salt '*' apache.check_mod_enabled status.load

salt.modules.deb_apache.check_site_enabled(site)
    Checks to see if the specific Site symlink is in /etc/apache2/sites-enabled.
    This will only be functional on Debian-based operating systems (Ubuntu, Mint, etc).
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' apache.check_site_enabled example.com
```

20.16.28 salt.modules.debconfmod

```
Support for Debconf
```

```
salt.modules.debconfmod.get_selections (fetchempty=True)
     Answers to debconf questions for all packages in the following format:
     {'package': [['question', 'type', 'value'], ...]}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' debconf.get_selections
salt.modules.debconfmod.set (package, question, type, value, *extra)
     Set answers to debconf questions for a package.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' debconf.set <package> <question> <type> <value> [<value> ...]
salt.modules.debconfmod.set_file (path, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
     Set answers to debconf questions from a file.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' debconf.set_file salt://pathto/pkg.selections
salt.modules.debconfmod.show(name)
     Answers to debconf questions for a package in the following format:
     [['question', 'type', 'value'], ...]
     If debconf doesn't know about a package, we return None.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' debconf.show <package name>
```

20.16.29 salt.modules.debian_ip

The networking module for Debian based distros

```
salt.modules.debian_ip.apply_network_settings(**settings)
Apply global network configuration.
CLI Example:
```

.

```
salt '*' ip.apply_network_settings
salt.modules.debian_ip.build_bond(iface, **settings)
     Create a bond script in /etc/modprobe.d with the passed settings and load the bonding kernel module.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_bond bond0 mode=balance-alb
salt.modules.debian_ip.build_interface(iface, iface_type, enabled, **settings)
     Build an interface script for a network interface.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_interface eth0 eth <settings>
salt.modules.debian_ip.build_network_settings(**settings)
     Build the global network script.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_network_settings <settings>
salt.modules.debian_ip.build_routes(iface, **settings)
     Add route scripts for a network interface using up commands.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_routes eth0 <settings>
salt.modules.debian_ip.down(iface, iface_type)
     Shutdown a network interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.down eth0
salt.modules.debian_ip.get_bond(iface)
     Return the content of a bond script
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_bond bond0
salt.modules.debian_ip.get_interface(iface)
     Return the contents of an interface script
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_interface eth0
salt.modules.debian_ip.get_network_settings()
     Return the contents of the global network script.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_network_settings
salt.modules.debian_ip.get_routes(iface)
     Return the routes for the interface
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' ip.get_interface eth0
salt.modules.debian_ip.up(iface, iface_type)
     Start up a network interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.up eth0
20.16.30 salt.modules.debian_service
Service support for Debian systems (uses update-rc.d and /sbin/service)
salt.modules.debian_service.available(name)
     Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.available sshd
salt.modules.debian_service.disable (name, **kwargs)
     Disable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.debian service.disabled(name)
     Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.debian_service.enable (name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.debian_service.enabled(name)
     Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.debian service.force reload(name)
     Force-reload the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.force reload <service name>
salt.modules.debian_service.get_all()
     Return all available boot services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
```

```
salt.modules.debian service.get disabled()
     Return a set of services that are installed but disabled
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.debian_service.get_enabled()
     Return a list of service that are enabled on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.debian_service.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.debian_service.reload(name)
     Reload the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.debian service.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.debian_service.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.debian_service.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service, pass a signature to use to find the service via ps
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.debian service.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
```

20.16.31 salt.modules.defaults

```
salt.modules.defaults.get (key, default='')
```

defaults.get is used much like pillar.get except that it will read a default value for a pillar from defaults.json or defaults.yaml files that are stored in the root of a salt formula.

When called from the CLI it works exactly like pillar.get.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' defaults.get core:users:root
```

When called from an SLS file, it works by first reading a defaults.json and second a defaults.yaml file. If the key exists in these files and does not exist in a pillar named after the formula, the value from the defaults file is used.

Example core/defaults.json file for the 'core' formula:

```
{
    "users": {
        "root": 0
    }
}
```

With this, from a state file you can use salt['defaults.get']('users:root') to read the '0' value from defaults.json if a core:users:root pillar key is not defined.

20.16.32 salt.modules.dig

Compendium of generic DNS utilities

```
salt.modules.dig.A(host, nameserver=None)
```

Return the A record for host.

Always returns a list.

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 dig.A www.google.com
```

salt.modules.dig.AAAA (host, nameserver=None)

Return the AAAA record for host.

Always returns a list.

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 dig.AAAA www.google.com
```

salt.modules.dig.MX (domain, resolve=False, nameserver=None)

Return a list of lists for the MX of domain.

If the resolve argument is True, resolve IPs for the servers.

It's limited to one IP, because although in practice it's very rarely a round robin, it is an acceptable configuration and pulling just one IP lets the data be similar to the non-resolved version. If you think an MX has multiple IPs, don't use the resolver here, resolve them in a separate step.

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 dig.MX google.com
```

salt.modules.dig.NS (domain, resolve=True, nameserver=None)

Return a list of IPs of the nameservers for domain

If resolve is False, don't resolve names.

```
salt ns1 dig.NS google.com
salt.modules.dig.SPF (domain, record='SPF', nameserver=None)
     Return the allowed IPv4 ranges in the SPF record for domain.
     If record is SPF and the SPF record is empty, the TXT record will be searched automatically. If you know the
     domain uses TXT and not SPF, specifying that will save a lookup.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 dig.SPF google.com
salt.modules.dig.TXT (host, nameserver=None)
     Return the TXT record for host.
     Always returns a list.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 dig.TXT google.com
salt.modules.dig.check_ip(addr)
     Check if address is a valid IP. returns True if valid, otherwise False.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 dig.check_ip 127.0.0.1
     salt ns1 dig.check_ip 1111:2222:3333:4444:5555:6666:7777:8888
20.16.33 salt.modules.disk
Module for gathering disk information
salt.modules.disk.inodeusage(args=None)
     Return inode usage information for volumes mounted on this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' disk.inodeusage
salt.modules.disk.percent(args=None)
     Return partion information for volumes mounted on this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' disk.percent /var
salt.modules.disk.usage(args=None)
     Return usage information for volumes mounted on this minion
```

20.16.34 salt.modules.djangomod

Manage Django sites

CLI Example:

salt '*' disk.usage

```
salt.modules.djangomod.collectstatic(settings_module,
                                                                                 bin env=None,
                                              no_post_process=False, ignore=None, dry_run=False,
                                              clear=False, link=False, no default ignore=False,
                                              pythonpath=None, env=None)
     Collect static files from each of your applications into a single location that can easily be served in production.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' django.collectstatic <settings_module>
salt.modules.djangomod.command(settings_module, command, bin_env=None, pythonpath=None,
                                       env=None, *args, **kwargs)
     Run arbitrary django management command
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' django.command <settings_module> <command>
salt.modules.djangomod.createsuperuser(settings_module, username, email, bin_env=None,
                                                 database=None, pythonpath=None, env=None)
     Create a super user for the database. This function defaults to use the --noinput flag which prevents the
     creation of a password for the superuser.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' django.createsuperuser <settings_module> user user@example.com
salt.modules.djangomod.loaddata(settings_module, fixtures, bin_env=None, database=None,
                                        pythonpath=None, env=None)
     Load fixture data
     Fixtures: comma separated list of fixtures to load
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' django.loaddata <settings_module> <comma delimited list of fixtures>
salt.modules.djangomod.syncdb (settings module, bin env=None, migrate=False, database=None,
                                      pythonpath=None, env=None, noinput=True)
     Run syncdb
     Execute the Django-Admin syncdb command, if South is available on the minion the migrate option can be
     passed as True calling the migrations to run after the syncdb completes
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' django.syncdb <settings_module>
20.16.35 salt.modules.dnsmasq
Module for managing dnqmasq
salt.modules.dnsmasq.fullversion()
     Shows installed version of dnsmasq, and compile options
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' dnsmasq.version
salt.modules.dnsmasq.get_config (config_file='/etc/dnsmasq.conf')
     Dumps all options from the config file
```

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' dnsmasq.get_config
salt '*' dnsmasq.get_config file=/etc/dnsmasq.conf
```

salt.modules.dnsmasq.set_config (config_file='/etc/dnsmasq.conf', follow=True, **kwargs)

Sets a value or a set of values in the specified file. By default, if conf-dir is configured in this file, salt will attempt to set the option in any file inside the conf-dir where it has already been enabled. If it does not find it inside any files, it will append it to the main config file. Setting follow to False will turn off this behavior.

If a config option currently appears multiple times (such as dhcp-host, which is specified at least once per host), the new option will be added to the end of the main config file (and not to any includes). If you need an option added to a specific include file, specify it as the config_file.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' dnsmasq.set_config domain=mydomain.com
salt '*' dnsmasq.set_config follow=False domain=mydomain.com
salt '*' dnsmasq.set_config file=/etc/dnsmasq.conf domain=mydomain.com
salt.modules.dnsmasq.version()
Shows installed version of dnsmasq
CLI Example:
salt '*' dnsmasq.version
```

20.16.36 salt.modules.dnsutil

Compendium of generic DNS utilities

```
salt.modules.dnsutil.A(host, nameserver=None)
```

Return the A record for 'host'.

Always returns a list.

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 dig.A www.google.com
```

salt.modules.dnsutil.MX(domain, resolve=False, nameserver=None)

Return a list of lists for the MX of domain.

If the 'resolve' argument is True, resolve IPs for the servers.

It's limited to one IP, because although in practice it's very rarely a round robin, it is an acceptable configuration and pulling just one IP lets the data be similar to the non-resolved version. If you think an MX has multiple IPs, don't use the resolver here, resolve them in a separate step.

CLI Example:

```
salt ns1 dig.MX google.com
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.dnsutil.NS| (domain, \textit{resolve} = \textit{True}, \textit{nameserver} = None)|$

Return a list of IPs of the nameservers for domain

If 'resolve' is False, don't resolve names.

```
salt ns1 dig.NS google.com
salt.modules.dnsutil.SPF (domain, record='SPF', nameserver=None)
     Return the allowed IPv4 ranges in the SPF record for domain.
     If record is SPF and the SPF record is empty, the TXT record will be searched automatically. If you know the
     domain uses TXT and not SPF, specifying that will save a lookup.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 dig.SPF google.com
salt.modules.dnsutil.check ip(ip addr)
     Check that string ip_addr is a valid IP
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 dig.check_ip 127.0.0.1
salt.modules.dnsutil.hosts_append (hostsfile='/etc/hosts', ip_addr=None, entries=None)
     Append a single line to the /etc/hosts file.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' dnsutil.hosts_append /etc/hosts 127.0.0.1 ad1.yuk.co,ad2.yuk.co
salt.modules.dnsutil.hosts_remove (hostsfile='/etc/hosts', entries=None)
     Remove a host from the /etc/hosts file. If doing so will leave a line containing only an IP address, then the line
     will be deleted. This function will leave comments and blank lines intact.
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' dnsutil.hosts_remove /etc/hosts adl.yuk.co
     salt '*' dnsutil.hosts_remove /etc/hosts ad2.yuk.co,ad1.yuk.co
salt.modules.dnsutil.parse_hosts(hostsfile='/etc/hosts', hosts=None)
     Parse /etc/hosts file.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' dnsutil.parse_hosts
salt.modules.dnsutil.parse_zone(zonefile=None, zone=None)
     Parses a zone file. Can be passed raw zone data on the API level.
     CLI Example:
     salt ns1 dnsutil.parse_zone /var/lib/named/example.com.zone
```

20.16.37 salt.modules.dockerio

Management of dockers

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Note: The DockerIO integration is still in beta; the API is subject to change

General notes

- As we use states, we don't want to be continuously popping dockers, so we will map each container id (or image) with a grain whenever it is relevant.
- As a corollary, we will resolve a container id either directly by the id or try to find a container id matching something stocked in grain.

Installation prerequisites

- You will need the 'docker-py' python package in your python installation running salt. The version of docker-py should support version 1.6 of docker remote API..
- For now, you need docker-py from sources:

https://github.com/dotcloud/docker-py

Prerequisite pillar configuration for authentication

- To push or pull you will need to be authenticated as the docker-py bindings require it
- For this to happen, you will need to configure a mapping in the pillar representing your per URL authentication bits:

```
docker-registries:
    registry_url:
        email: foo@foo.com
    password: s3cr3t
    username: foo
```

• You need at least an entry to the default docker index:

```
docker-registries:
   https://index.docker.io/v1:
        email: foo@foo.com
        password: s3cr3t
        username: foo
```

you can define multiple registries blocks for them to be aggregated, their id just must finish with -docker-registries:

```
ac-docker-registries:
   https://index.bar.io/v1:
        email: foo@foo.com
        password: s3cr3t
        username: foo

ab-docker-registries:
   https://index.foo.io/v1:
        email: foo@foo.com
        password: s3cr3t
        username: foo
```

Would be the equivalent to:

```
docker-registries:
   https://index.bar.io/v1:
        email: foo@foo.com
        password: s3cr3t
```

username: foo https://index.foo.io/v1: email: foo@foo.com password: s3cr3t username: foo

Registry dialog methods

- login
- push
- pull

Docker management

- version
- info

Image management

You have those methods:

- · search
- inspect_image
- get_images
- remove_image
- import_image
- build
- tag

Container management

You have those methods:

- start
- stop
- restart
- kill
- wait
- get_containers
- inspect_container
- remove_container
- is_running

- top
- · ports
- logs
- · diff
- commit
- · create container
- export
- get_container_root

Runtime execution within a specific already existing and running container

- Idea is to use lxc-attach to execute inside the container context.
- We do not use a "docker run command" but want to execute something inside a running container.

You have those methods:

- retcode
- run
- run_all
- run_stderr
- run_stdout
- script
- · script retcode

```
salt.modules.dockerio. \textbf{build} (path=None, \ tag=None, \ quiet=False, \ fileobj=None, \ nocache=False, \\ rm=True, \ timeout=None, \ *args, **kwargs)
```

Build a docker image from a dockerfile or an URL

You can either:

- •give the url/branch/docker_dir
- •give a path on the file system

path URL or path in the filesystem to the dockerfile

tag Tag of the image

quiet quiet mode

nocache do not use docker image cache

rm remove intermediate commits

timeout timeout is seconds before aborting

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.build
```

salt.modules.dockerio.commit(container, repository=None, tag=None, message=None, author=None, conf=None, *args, **kwargs)

Commit a container (promotes it to an image)

```
container container id
     repository repository/imageName to commit to
     tag optional tag
     message optional commit message
     author optional author
     conf optional conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.commit <container id>
                                                                                  hostname=None,
salt.modules.dockerio.create_container(image,
                                                              command=None,
                                                                 detach=True,
                                                   user=None,
                                                                                 stdin_open=False,
                                                   tty=False, mem_limit=0, ports=None, environ-
                                                   ment=None, dns=None, volumes=None, vol-
                                                   umes_from=None, name=None, *args, **kwargs)
     Create a new container
     image image to create the container from
     command command to execute while starting
     hostname hostname of the container
     user user to run docker as
     detach daemon mode
     environment environment variable mapping ({'foo':'BAR'})
     dns list of DNS servers
     ports ports redirections ({'222': {}})
     volumes list of volumes mapping:
          (['/mountpoint/in/container:/guest/foo',
             '/same/path/mounted/point'])
     tty attach ttys
     stdin_open let stdin open
     volumes_from container to get volumes definition from
     name name given to container
     EG:
          salt-call docker.create container o/ubuntu volumes="['/s','/m:/f']"
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.create_container <image>
salt.modules.dockerio.diff(container, *args, **kwargs)
     Get container diffs
     container container id
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' docker.diff <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.exists(container, *args, **kwargs)
     Check if a given container exists
          Parameters container (string) – Container id
          Return type boolean:
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.exists <container>
salt.modules.dockerio.export (container, path, *args, **kwargs)
     Export a container to a file
     container container id
     path path to the export
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.export <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.get_container_root(container)
     Get the container rootfs path
     container container id or grain
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.get_container_root <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.get_containers(all=True, trunc=False, since=None, before=None,
                                               limit=-1, *args, **kwargs)
     Get a list of mappings representing all containers
     all Return all containers
     trunc Set it to True to have the short ID
     Returns a mapping of something which looks like container
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.get_containers
salt.modules.dockerio.get_images (name=None, quiet=False, all=True, *args, **kwargs)
     List docker images
          Parameters
                • name (string) – A repository name to filter on
               • quiet (boolean) – Only show image ids
               • all (boolean) – Show all images
          Return type dict
          Returns A status message with the command output
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.get_images [name] [quiet=True|False] [all=True|False]
```

```
salt.modules.dockerio.import_image (src, repo, tag=None, *args, **kwargs)
     Import content from a local tarball or a URL to a docker image
          Parameters
                • src (string) – The content to import (URL, absolute path to a tarball)
                • repo (string) – The repository to import to
                • tag (string) – An optional tag to set
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.import_image <src> <repo> [tag]
salt.modules.dockerio.info(*args, **kwargs)
     Get the version information about docker
          Return type dict
          Returns A status message with the command output
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.info
salt.modules.dockerio.inspect_container(container, *args, **kwargs)
     Get container information. This is similar to the docker inspect command.
          Parameters container (string) – The id of the container to inspect
          Return type dict
          Returns A status message with the command output
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.inspect_container <container>
salt.modules.dockerio.inspect_image(image, *args, **kwargs)
     Inspect the status of an image and return relative data
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.inspect_image <image>
salt.modules.dockerio.invalid (m, id=<object object at 0x468ec70>, comment='We did not get
                                       any expectable answer from docker', out=None)
     Return invalid status
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.invalid
salt.modules.dockerio.is_running(container, *args, **kwargs)
     Is this container running
     container Container id
     Return boolean
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.is_running <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.kill(container, *args, **kwargs)
     Kill a running container
```

Parameters container (*string*) – The container id to kill

Return type dict

Returns

A status message with the command output ex:

```
{'id': 'abcdef123456789',
'status': True}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.kill <container id>
```

Wrapper to the docker.py login method, does not do much yet

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.login <container id>
```

salt.modules.dockerio.logs (container, *args, **kwargs)

Return logs for a specified container

container container id

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.logs <container id>
```

```
salt.modules.dockerio.port (container, private_port, *args, **kwargs)
```

Private/Public for a specific port mapping allocation information This method is broken on docker-py side Just use the result of inspect to mangle port allocation

container container id

private_port private port on the container to query for

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.port <container id>
```

```
salt.modules.dockerio.pull(repo, tag=None, *args, **kwargs)
```

Pulls an image from any registry. See above documentation for how to configure authenticated access.

Parameters

• repo (string) – The repository to pull. [registryurl://]REPOSITORY_NAME_image eg:

```
index.docker.io:MyRepo/image
superaddress.cdn:MyRepo/image
MyRepo/image
```

• tag (string) – The specific tag to pull

Return type dict

Returns

A status message with the command output Example:

```
comment:
                 Image NAME was pulled (ID
                 None
             out:
                  - id:
                      2c80228370c9
                  - status:
                     Download complete
                  - id:
                      2c80228370c9
                  - progress:
                     [======>
                                                                                ]
                  - status:
                     Downloading
                  - id:
                      2c80228370c9
                  - status
                      Pulling image (latest) from foo/ubuntubox
                  - status:
                     Pulling repository foo/ubuntubox
             status:
                 True
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.pull <repository> [tag]
salt.modules.dockerio.push(repo, *args, **kwargs)
     Pushes an image from any registry See this top level documentation to know how to configure authenticated
     access
     repo [registryurl://]REPOSITORY_NAME_image eg:
         index.docker.io:MyRepo/image
         superaddress.cdn:MyRepo/image
         MyRepo/image
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.push <repo>
salt.modules.dockerio.remove_container(container=None, force=False, v=False, *args,
                                                **kwargs)
     Removes a container from a docker installation
     container Container id to remove
     force By default, do not remove a running container, set this to remove it unconditionally
     v verbose mode
     Return True or False in the status mapping and also any information about docker in status['out']
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' docker.remove_container <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.remove_image (image, *args, **kwargs)
Remove an image from a system.

Parameters image (string) - The image to remove
Return type string
Returns A status message.
CLI Example:
salt '*' docker.remove_image <image>
```

salt.modules.dockerio.restart (container, timeout=10, *args, **kwargs)
Restart a running container

Parameters

- container (string) The container id to restart
- timeout Wait for a timeout to let the container exit gracefully before killing it

Return type dict

Returns

A status message with the command output ex:

```
{'id': 'abcdef123456789',
'status': True}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.restart <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.retcode(container, cmd, *args, **kwargs)
```

Wrapper for cmdmod.retcode inside a container context

container container id (or grain)

Other params: See cmdmod documentation

The return is a bit different as we use the docker struct, The output of the command is in 'out' The result is false if command failed

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.retcode <container id> 'ls -l /etc'
salt.modules.dockerio.run (container, cmd, *args, **kwargs)
Wrapper for cmdmod.run inside a container context
```

container container id (or grain)

Other params: See cmdmod documentation

The return is a bit different as we use the docker struct, The output of the command is in 'out' The result is always True

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.run <container id> 'ls -l /etc'
salt.modules.dockerio.run_all (container, cmd, *args, **kwargs)
Wrapper for cmdmod.run_all inside a container context
```

container container id (or grain)

Other params: See cmdmod documentation

The return is a bit different as we use the docker struct, The output of the command is in 'out' The result if false if command failed

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.run_all <container id> 'ls -l /etc'
salt.modules.dockerio.run_stderr(container, cmd, *args, **kwargs)
Wrapper for cmdmod.run_stderr inside a container context
```

container container id (or grain)

Other params: See cmdmod documentation

The return is a bit different as we use the docker struct, The output of the command is in 'out' The result is always True

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.run_stderr <container id> 'ls -l /etc'
salt.modules.dockerio.run_stdout (container, cmd, *args, **kwargs)
Wrapper for cmdmod.run_stdout inside a container context
```

container container id (or grain)

Other params: See cmdmod documentation

The return is a bit different as we use the docker struct, The output of the command is in 'out' The result is always True

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

CLI Example:

container container id or grain

others params and documentation See cmd.retcode

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' docker.script <container id> salt://docker_script.py

salt.modules.dockerio.script_retcode (container, source, cwd=None, stdin=None, runas=None, shell='/bin/bash', env=None, tem-plate='jinja', umask=None, timeout=None, reset_system_locale=True, no_clean=False, saltenv='base', *args, **kwargs)
```

Same usage as cmd.script_retcode but running inside a container context

container container id or grain

others params and documentation See cmd.retcode

WARNING: Be advised that this function allows for raw shell access to the named container! If allowing users to execute this directly it may allow more rights than intended!

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.script_retcode <container id> salt://docker_script.py
salt.modules.dockerio.search(term, *args, **kwargs)
Search for an image on the registry
```

Parameters term (string) – The search keyword to query

CLI Example:

restart the specified container

container Container id

Returns the status mapping as usual

salt '*' docker.search <term>

```
{'id': id of the container, 'status': True if started }
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.start <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.stop(container, timeout=10, *args, **kwargs)
Stop a running container
```

Parameters

- **container** (*string*) The container id to stop
- timeout (int) Wait for a timeout to let the container exit gracefully before killing it

Return type dict

Returns

A status message with the command output ex:

```
{'id': 'abcdef123456789',
               'status': True}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.stop <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.taq(image, repository, tag=None, force=False, *args, **kwargs)
     Tag an image into a repository
          Parameters
                • image (string) – The image to tag
                • repository (string) – The repository to tag the image
               • tag (string) – The tag to apply
               • force (boolean) – Forces application of the tag
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.tag <image> <repository> [tag] [force=(True|False)]
salt.modules.dockerio.top(container, *args, **kwargs)
     Run the docker top command on a specific container
     container Container id
     Returns in the 'out' status mapping a mapping for those running processes:
           'Titles': top titles list,
           'processes': list of ordered by
                         titles processes information,
           'mprocesses': list of mappings processes information
           constructed above the upon information
     }
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.top <container id>
salt.modules.dockerio.valid(m, id=<object object at 0x468ec70>, comment='', out=None)
     Return valid status
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.valid
salt.modules.dockerio.version(*args, **kwargs)
     Get docker version
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' docker.version
salt.modules.dockerio.wait (container, *args, **kwargs)
     Blocking wait for a container exit gracefully without timeout killing it
     container Container id
     Return container id if successful
          {'id': id of the container, 'status': True if stopped }
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' docker.wait <container id>
```

20.16.38 salt.modules.dpkg

Support for DEB packages

```
salt.modules.dpkg.file_dict(*packages)
```

List the files that belong to a package, grouped by package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' lowpkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' lowpkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' lowpkg.file_list
```

```
salt.modules.dpkg.file_list(*packages)
```

List the files that belong to a package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' lowpkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' lowpkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' lowpkg.file_list
```

salt.modules.dpkg.list_pkgs(*packages)

List the packages currently installed in a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

External dependencies:

Virtual package resolution requires aptitude. Because this function uses dpkg, virtual packages will be reported as not installed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' lowpkg.list_pkgs
salt '*' lowpkg.list_pkgs httpd
```

salt.modules.dpkg.unpurge(*packages)

Change package selection for each package specified to 'install'

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' lowpkg.unpurge curl
```

20.16.39 salt.modules.ebuild

Support for Portage

optdepends

• portage Python adapter

For now all package names *MUST* include the package category, i.e. 'vim' will not work, 'app-editors/vim' will.

```
salt.modules.ebuild.check_db(*names, **kwargs)
```

New in version 0.17.0.

Returns a dict containing the following information for each specified package:

- 1.A key found, which will be a boolean value denoting if a match was found in the package database.
- 2.If found is False, then a second key called suggestions will be present, which will contain a list of possible matches. This list will be empty if the package name was specified in category/pkgname format, since the suggestions are only intended to disambiguate ambiguous package names (ones submitted without a category).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.check_db <package1> <package2> <package3>
```

salt.modules.ebuild.check_extra_requirements(pkgname, pkgver)

Check if the installed package already has the given requirements.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.check_extra_requirements 'sys-devel/gcc' '~>4.1.2:4.1::gentoo[nls,fortran]'
```

salt.modules.ebuild.depclean(name=None, slot=None, fromrepo=None, pkgs=None)

Portage has a function to remove unused dependencies. If a package is provided, it will only removed the package if no other package depends on it.

name The name of the package to be cleaned.

slot Restrict the remove to a specific slot. Ignored if name is None.

fromrepo Restrict the remove to a specific slot. Ignored if name is None.

pkgs Clean multiple packages. slot and from repo arguments are ignored if this argument is present. Must be passed as a python list.

Return a list containing the removed packages:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.depclean <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.ebuild.ex_mod_init(low)
```

If the config option <code>ebuild.enforce_nice_config</code> is set to True, this module will enforce a nice tree structure for /etc/portage/package.* configuration files.

New in version 0.17.0: Initial automatic enforcement added when pkg is used on a Gentoo system.

Changed in version 2014.1.0-Hydrogen: Configure option added to make this behaviour optional, defaulting to off.

See also:

```
\label{lem:cond_init} \begin{tabular}{ll} ebuild.ex\_mod\_init is called automatically when a state invokes a pkg state on a Gentoo system. \\ salt.states.pkg.mod\_init() \end{tabular}
```

```
ebuild.ex_mod_init uses portage_config.enforce_nice_config to do the lifting.
salt.modules.portage_config.enforce_nice_config()
```

```
salt '*' pkg.ex_mod_init
```

Install the passed package(s), add refresh=True to sync the portage tree before package is installed.

name The name of the package to be installed. Note that this parameter is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources" is passed. Additionally, please note that this option can only be used to emerge a package from the portage tree. To install a tbz2 package manually, use the "sources" option described below.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
```

refresh Whether or not to sync the portage tree before installing.

version Install a specific version of the package, e.g. 1.0.9-r1. Ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" is passed.

slot Similar to version, but specifies a valid slot to be installed. It will install the latest available version in the specified slot. Ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" or "version" is passed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sys-devel/gcc slot='4.4'
```

fromrepo Similar to slot, but specifies the repository from the package will be installed. It will install the latest available version in the specified repository. Ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" or "version" is passed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install salt fromrepo='gentoo'
```

uses Similar to slot, but specifies a list of use flag. Ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" or "version" is passed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sys-devel/gcc uses='["nptl", "-nossp"]'
```

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from the portage tree. Must be passed as a python list.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo","bar","~category/package:slot::repository[use]"]'
```

sources A list of tbz2 packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"foo": "salt://foo.tbz2"},{"bar": "salt://bar.tbz2"}]'
```

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.ebuild.latest version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
salt.modules.ebuild.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)
     List the packages currently installed in a dict:
     {'<package_name>': '<version>'}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
salt.modules.ebuild.list_upgrades (refresh=True)
     List all available package upgrades.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
salt.modules.ebuild.porttree_matches(name)
     Returns a list containing the matches for a given package name from the portage tree. Note that the specific
     version of the package will not be provided for packages that have several versions in the portage tree, but rather
     the name of the package (i.e. "dev-python/paramiko").
salt.modules.ebuild.purge (name=None, slot=None, fromrepo=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Portage does not have a purge, this function calls remove followed by depclean to emulate a purge process
     name The name of the package to be deleted.
     slot Restrict the remove to a specific slot. Ignored if name is None.
     fromrepo Restrict the remove to a specific slot. Ignored if name is None.
     Multiple Package Options:
     pkgs Uninstall multiple packages. slot and from repo arguments are ignored if this argument is present.
          Must be passed as a python list.
     New in version 0.16.0.
     Returns a dict containing the changes.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package name> slot=4.4
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
     salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.ebuild.refresh_db()
     Updates the portage tree (emerge –sync). Uses eix-sync if available.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Remove packages via emerge –unmerge.

slot Restrict the remove to a specific slot. Ignored if name is None.

fromrepo Restrict the remove to a specific slot. Ignored if name is None.

salt.modules.ebuild.remove (name=None, slot=None, fromrepo=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs Uninstall multiple packages. slot and fromrepo arguments are ignored if this argument is present. Must be passed as a python list.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name> slot=4.4 fromrepo=gentoo
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

salt.modules.ebuild.update(pkg, slot=None, fromrepo=None, refresh=False)

Updates the passed package (emerge –update package)

slot Restrict the update to a particular slot. It will update to the latest version within the slot.

fromrepo Restrict the update to a particular repository. It will update to the latest version within the repository.

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.update <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.ebuild.upgrade (refresh=True)
```

Run a full system upgrade (emerge –update world)

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade
```

```
salt.modules.ebuild.upgrade_available (name)
```

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.ebuild.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name> salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

salt.modules.ebuild.version_clean(version)

Clean the version string removing extra data.

```
salt '*' pkg.version_clean <version_string>
salt.modules.ebuild.version_cmp (pkg1, pkg2)
     Do a cmp-style comparison on two packages. Return -1 if pkg1 < pkg2, 0 if pkg1 == pkg2, and 1 if pkg1 >
     pkg2. Return None if there was a problem making the comparison.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.version_cmp '0.2.4-0' '0.2.4.1-0'
```

20.16.40 salt.modules.eix

```
Support for Eix
```

```
salt.modules.eix.sync()
     Sync portage/overlay trees and update the eix database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eix.sync
salt.modules.eix.update()
     Update the eix database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eix.update
```

20.16.41 salt.modules.environ

Support for getting and setting the environment variables of the current salt process.

```
salt.modules.environ.get (key, default='')
     Get a single salt process environment variable.
```

key String used as the key for environment lookup.

default If the key is not found in the enironment, return this value. Default: "

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' environ.get foo
salt '*' environ.get baz default=False
```

```
salt.modules.environ.has_value(key, value=None)
```

Determine whether the key exists in the current salt process environment dictionary. Optionally compare the current value of the environment against the supplied value string.

key Must be a string. Used as key for environment lookup.

value: Optional. If key exists in the environment, compare the current value with this value. Return True if they are equal.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' environ.has_value foo
salt.modules.environ.item(keys, default='')
```

Get one or more salt process environment variables. Returns a dict.

keys Either a string or a list of strings that will be used as the keys for environment lookup.

default If the key is not found in the enironment, return this value. Default: "

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' environ.item foo
    salt '*' environ.item '[foo, baz]' default=None
salt.modules.environ.items()
```

Return a dict of the entire environment set for the salt process

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' environ.items
```

```
salt.modules.environ.setenv(environ, false_unsets=False, clear_all=False, up-date_minion=False)
```

Set multiple salt process environment variables from a dict. Returns a dict.

environ Must be a dict. The top-level keys of the dict are the names of the environment variables to set. Each key's value must be a string or False. Refer to the 'false_unsets' parameter for behavior when a value set to False.

false_unsets If a key's value is False and false_unsets is True, then the key will be removed from the salt processes environment dict entirely. If a key's value is Flase and false_unsets is not True, then the key's value will be set to an empty string. Default: False

clear_all USE WITH CAUTION! This option can unset environment variables needed for salt to function properly. If clear_all is True, then any environment variables not defined in the environ dict will be deleted. Default: False

update_minion If True, apply these environ changes to the main salt-minion process. If False, the environ changes will only affect the current salt subprocess. Default: False

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' environ.setenv '{"foo": "bar", "baz": "quux"}'
salt '*' environ.setenv '{"a": "b", "c": False}' false_unsets=True
```

salt.modules.environ.setval(key, val, false_unsets=False)

Set a single salt process environment variable. Returns True on success.

key The environment key to set. Must be a string.

val The value to set. Must be a string or False. Refer to the 'false_unsets' parameter for behavior when set to False.

false_unsets If val is False and false_unsets is True, then the key will be removed from the salt processes environment dict entirely. If val is False and false_unsets is not True, then the key's value will be set to an empty string. Default: False.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' environ.setval foo bar
salt '*' environ.setval baz val=False false_unsets=True
```

20.16.42 salt.modules.eselect

Support for eselect, Gentoo's configuration and management tool.

```
salt.modules.eselect.exec_action (module, action, parameter='', state_only=False)
     Execute an arbitrary action on a module.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eselect.exec_action <module name> <action> [parameter]
salt.modules.eselect.get_current_target (module)
     Get the currently selected target for the given module.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eselect.get_current_target <module name>
salt.modules.eselect.get_modules()
     Get available modules list.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eselect.get_modules
salt.modules.eselect.get_target_list(module)
     Get available target for the given module.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eselect.get_target_list <module name>
salt.modules.eselect.set_target (module, target)
     Set the target for the given module. Target can be specified by index or name.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' eselect.set_target <module name> <target>
```

20.16.43 salt.modules.etcd mod

Execution module to work with etcd

depends

• python-etcd

In order to use an etcd server, a profile should be created in the master configuration file:

```
my_etd_config:
  etcd.host: 127.0.0.1
  etcd.port: 4001
```

It is technically possible to configure etcd without using a profile, but this is not consided to be a best practice, especially when multiple etcd servers or clusters are available.

```
etcd.host: 127.0.0.1
etcd.port: 4001
salt.modules.etcd_mod.get (key, recurse=False, profile=None)
    New in version Helium.
Get a value from etcd, by direct path
CLI Examples:
```

salt myminion etcd.get /path/to/key salt myminion etcd.get /path/to/key profile=my_etcd_config salt myminion etcd.get /path/to/key recurse=True profile=my_etcd_config

```
salt.modules.etcd_mod.ls(path='/', profile=None)
```

New in version Helium.

Return all keys and dirs inside a specific path

CLI Example:

salt myminion etcd.ls /path/to/dir/ salt myminion etcd.ls /path/to/dir/ profile=my etcd config

```
salt.modules.etcd_mod.rm(key, recurse=False, profile=None)
```

New in version Helium.

Delete a key from etcd

CLI Example:

salt myminion etcd.rm /path/to/key salt myminion etcd.rm /path/to/key profile=my_etcd_config salt myminion etcd.rm /path/to/dir recurse=True profile=my_etcd_config

```
salt.modules.etcd mod.set (key, value, profile=None)
```

New in version Helium.

Set a value in etcd, by direct path

CLI Example:

salt myminion etcd.set /path/to/key value salt myminion etcd.set /path/to/key value pro-file=my_etcd_config

```
salt.modules.etcd_mod.tree(path='/', profile=None)
```

New in version Helium.

Recurse through etcd and return all values

CLI Example:

salt myminion etcd.tree salt myminion etcd.tree profile=my_etcd_config salt myminion etcd.tree /path/to/keys profile=my_etcd_config

20.16.44 salt.modules.event

Use the Salt Event System to fire events from the master to the minion and vice-versa.

```
salt.modules.event.fire(data, tag)
```

Fire an event on the local minion event bus. Data must be formed as a dict.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' event.fire '{"data":"my event data"}' 'tag'
```

salt.modules.event.fire_master(data, tag, preload=None)

Fire an event off up to the master server

```
salt '*' event.fire_master '{"data":"my event data"}' 'tag'
```

20.16.45 salt.modules.extfs

```
Module for managing ext2/3/4 file systems
salt.modules.extfs.attributes (device, args=None)
    Return attributes from dumpe2fs for a specified device
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' extfs.attributes /dev/sda1
salt.modules.extfs.blocks(device, args=None)
    Return block and inode info from dumpe2fs for a specified device
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' extfs.blocks /dev/sda1
salt.modules.extfs.dump(device, args=None)
    Return all contents of dumpe2fs for a specified device
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' extfs.dump /dev/sda1
salt.modules.extfs.mkfs(device, fs_type, **kwargs)
    Create a file system on the specified device
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' extfs.mkfs /dev/sda1 fs_type=ext4 opts='acl,noexec'
    Valid options are:
    block_size: 1024, 2048 or 4096
    check: check for bad blocks
    direct: use direct IO
    ext_opts: extended file system options (comma-separated)
    fragment_size: size of fragments
    force: setting force to True will cause mke2fs to specify the -F option
            twice (it is already set once); this is truly dangerous
    blocks_per_group: number of blocks in a block group
    number_of_groups: ext4 option for a virtual block group
    bytes_per_inode: set the bytes/inode ratio
    inode_size: size of the inode
     journal: set to True to create a journal (default on ext3/4)
    journal_opts: options for the fs journal (comma separated)
    blocks_file: read bad blocks from file
    label: label to apply to the file system
    reserved: percentage of blocks reserved for super-user
    last_dir: last mounted directory
    test: set to True to not actually create the file system (mke2fs -n)
    number of inodes: override default number of inodes
    creator_os: override "creator operating system" field
    opts: mount options (comma separated)
    revision: set the filesystem revision (default 1)
    super: write superblock and group descriptors only
    fs_type: set the filesystem type (REQUIRED)
    usage_type: how the filesystem is going to be used
    uuid: set the UUID for the file system
```

See the mke2fs (8) manpage for a more complete description of these options.

```
salt.modules.extfs.tune(device, **kwargs)
    Set attributes for the specified device (using tune2fs)
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' extfs.tune /dev/sda1 force=True label=wildstallyns opts='acl,noexec'
    Valid options are:
    max: max mount count
    count: mount count
    error: error behavior
    extended_opts: extended options (comma separated)
    force: force, even if there are errors (set to True)
    group: group name or gid that can use the reserved blocks
    interval: interval between checks
    journal: set to True to create a journal (default on ext3/4)
    journal_opts: options for the fs journal (comma separated)
    label: label to apply to the file system
    reserved: percentage of blocks reserved for super-user
    last dir: last mounted directory
    opts: mount options (comma separated)
    feature: set or clear a feature (comma separated)
    mmp_check: mmp check interval
    reserved: reserved blocks count
    quota_opts: quota options (comma separated)
    time: time last checked
```

See the mke2fs (8) manpage for a more complete description of these options.

user: user or uid who can use the reserved blocks

uuid: set the UUID for the file system

20.16.46 salt.modules.file

Manage information about regular files, directories, and special files on the minion, set/read user, group, mode, and data

```
salt.modules.file.access(path, mode)
```

Test whether the Salt process has the specified access to the file. One of the following modes must be specified:

- f: Test the existence of the path r: Test the readability of the path w: Test the writability of the path
- x: Test whether the path can be executed

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.access /path/to/file f
salt '*' file.access /path/to/file x
salt.modules.file.append(path, *args)
New in version 0.9.5.
```

Append text to the end of a file

```
salt '*' file.append /etc/motd \
    "With all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt." \
    "Salt is what makes things taste bad when it isn't in them."
```

```
salt.modules.file.blockreplace (path, marker_start='#- start managed zone -', marker_end='#-
end managed zone -', content='', append_if_not_found=False,
prepend_if_not_found=False, backup='.bak', dry_run=False,
show changes=True)
```

Replace content of a text block in a file, delimited by line markers

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

A block of content delimited by comments can help you manage several lines entries without worrying about old entries removal.

Note: This function will store two copies of the file in-memory (the original version and the edited version) in order to detect changes and only edit the targeted file if necessary.

path Filesystem path to the file to be edited

- marker_start The line content identifying a line as the start of the content block. Note that the whole line containing this marker will be considered, so whitespaces or extra content before or after the marker is included in final output
- marker_end The line content identifying a line as the end of the content block. Note that the whole line containing this marker will be considered, so whitespaces or extra content before or after the marker is included in final output
- **content** The content to be used between the two lines identified by marker_start and marker_stop.
- **append_if_not_found** [False] If markers are not found and set to True then, the markers and content will be appended to the file.
- **prepend_if_not_found** [False] If markers are not found and set to True then, the markers and content will be prepended to the file.
- **backup** The file extension to use for a backup of the file if any edit is made. Set to False to skip making a backup.
- **dry_run** Don't make any edits to the file.
- **show_changes** Output a unified diff of the old file and the new file. If False, return a boolean if any changes were made.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.blockreplace /etc/hosts '#-- start managed zone foobar : DO NOT EDIT --' \ '#-- end managed zone foobar --' \$'10.0.1.1 foo.foobar\n10.0.1.2 bar.foobar' True
```

Check for the changes in the file metadata.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.check_file_meta /etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf salt://http/httpd.conf '{hash_type: '
```

Note: Supported hash types include sha512, sha384, sha256, sha224, sha1, and md5.

```
salt.modules.file.check_hash(path, hash)
```

Check if a file matches the given hash string

Returns true if the hash matched, otherwise false. Raises ValueError if the hash was not formatted correctly.

path A file path

```
hash A
                 string
                                        form
                                                 <hash type>:<hash value>.
                                                                                       For
                                                                                               example:
                          in
                                 the
          md5:e138491e9d5b97023cea823fe17bac22
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.check_hash /etc/fstab md5:<md5sum>
salt.modules.file.check_managed(name, source, source_hash, user, group, mode, tem-
                                          plate, makedirs, context, defaults, salteny, contents=None,
                                          **kwargs)
     Check to see what changes need to be made for a file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.check_managed /etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf salt://http/httpd.conf '{hash_type: 'mo
salt.modules.file.check_perms (name, ret, user, group, mode)
     Check the permissions on files and chown if needed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.check_perms /etc/sudoers '{}' root root 400
salt.modules.file.chgrp(path, group)
     Change the group of a file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.chgrp /etc/passwd root
salt.modules.file.chown (path, user, group)
     Chown a file, pass the file the desired user and group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.chown /etc/passwd root root
salt.modules.file.comment(path, regex, char='#', backup='.bak')
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use replace() instead.
     Comment out specified lines in a file
     path The full path to the file to be edited
     regex A regular expression used to find the lines that are to be commented; this pattern will be wrapped in
          parenthesis and will move any preceding/trailing ^ or $ characters outside the parenthesis (e.g., the pattern
          ^foo$ will be rewritten as ^ (foo) $)
     char [#] The character to be inserted at the beginning of a line in order to comment it out
     backup [.bak] The file will be backed up before edit with this file extension
                       This backup will be overwritten each time sed / comment / uncomment is called.
           Meaning the backup will only be useful after the first invocation.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.comment /etc/modules pcspkr
salt.modules.file.contains(path, text)
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use search () instead.
     Return True if the file at path contains text
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.contains /etc/crontab 'mymaintenance.sh'
salt.modules.file.contains_glob(path, glob)
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use search () instead.
     Return True if the given glob matches a string in the named file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.contains_glob /etc/foobar '*cheese*'
salt.modules.file.contains_regex (path, regex, lchar='')
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use search() instead.
     Return True if the given regular expression matches on any line in the text of a given file.
     If the lchar argument (leading char) is specified, it will strip lchar from the left side of each line before trying to
     match
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.contains_regex /etc/crontab
salt.modules.file.contains regex multiline(path, regex)
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use search () instead.
     Return True if the given regular expression matches anything in the text of a given file
     Traverses multiple lines at a time, via the salt BufferedReader (reads in chunks)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.contains_regex_multiline /etc/crontab '^maint'
salt.modules.file.copy (src, dst)
     Copy a file or directory
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.copy /path/to/src /path/to/dst
salt.modules.file.delete backup (path, backup id)
     Restore a previous version of a file that was backed up using Salt's file state backup system.
     New in version 0.17.0.
     path The path on the minion to check for backups
     backup id The numeric id for the backup you wish to delete, as found using file.list backups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.restore_backup /foo/bar/baz.txt 0
salt.modules.file.directory_exists(path)
     Tests to see if path is a valid directory. Returns True/False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.directory_exists /etc
```

```
salt.modules.file.extract_hash(hash_fn, hash_type='md5', file_name='')
```

This routine is called from the file.managed state to pull a hash from a remote file. Regular expressions are used line by line on the source_hash file, to find a potential candidate of the indicated hash type. This avoids many problems of arbitrary file lay out rules. It specifically permits pulling hash codes from debian *.dsc files.

For example:

```
openerp_7.0-latest-1.tar.gz:
    file.managed:
        - name: /tmp/openerp_7.0-20121227-075624-1_all.deb
        - source: http://nightly.openerp.com/7.0/nightly/deb/openerp_7.0-20121227-075624-1.tar.gz
        - source_hash: http://nightly.openerp.com/7.0/nightly/deb/openerp_7.0-20121227-075624-1.dsc
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.extract_hash /etc/foo sha512 /path/to/hash/file
```

```
salt.modules.file.file_exists(path)
```

Tests to see if path is a valid file. Returns True/False.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.file_exists /etc/passwd
```

```
salt.modules.file.find(path, **kwargs)
```

Approximate the Unix find (1) command and return a list of paths that meet the specified criteria.

The options include match criteria:

```
= path-glob
name
                                  # case sensitive
iname = path-glob
                                 # case insensitive
regex = path-regex
                                 # case sensitive
iregex = path-regex
                                 # case insensitive
     = file-types
                                 # match any listed type
type
user = users
                                 # match any listed user
group = groups
                                  # match any listed group
       = [+-]number[size-unit] # default unit = byte
= interval # modified since date
size
mtime = interval
                                  # modified since date
                                  # search file contents
grep = regex
```

and/or actions:

The default action is 'print=path'.

file-glob:

```
* = match zero or more chars
? = match any char
[abc] = match a, b, or c
[!abc] or [^abc] = match anything except a, b, and c
[x-y] = match chars x through y
[!x-y] or [^x-y] = match anything except chars x through y
{a,b,c} = match a or b or c
```

path-regex: a Python re (regular expression) pattern to match pathnames

file-types: a string of one or more of the following:

```
a: all file types
     b: block device
     c: character device
     d: directory
     p: FIFO (named pipe)
     f: plain file
     1: symlink
     s: socket
     users: a space and/or comma separated list of user names and/or uids
     groups: a space and/or comma separated list of group names and/or gids
     size-unit:
     b: bytes
     k: kilobytes
     m: megabytes
     g: gigabytes
     t: terabytes
     interval:
     [<num>w] [<num>h] [<num>m] [<num>s]
     where:
         w: week
         d: day
         h: hour
         m: minute
     print-opts: a comma and/or space separated list of one or more of the following:
     group: group name
     md5: MD5 digest of file contents
     mode: file permissions (as integer)
     mtime: last modification time (as time_t)
     name: file basename
     path: file absolute path
     size: file size in bytes
     type: file type
     user: user name
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' file.find / type=f name=\*.bak size=+10m
     salt '*' file.find /var mtime=+30d size=+10m print=path, size, mtime
     salt '*' file.find /var/log name=<math>\\*.[0-9] mtime=+30d size=+10m delete
salt.modules.file.get_devmm(name)
     Get major/minor info from a device
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_devmm /dev/chr
salt.modules.file.get_diff(minionfile, masterfile, env=None, saltenv='base')
     Return unified diff of file compared to file on master
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' file.qet_diff /home/fred/.vimrc salt://users/fred/.vimrc
salt.modules.file.get_gid(path, follow_symlinks=True)
     Return the id of the group that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_gid /etc/passwd
     Changed in version 0.16.4: follow_symlinks option added
salt.modules.file.get_group(path, follow_symlinks=True)
     Return the group that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_group /etc/passwd
     Changed in version 0.16.4: follow_symlinks option added
salt.modules.file.get hash(path, form='md5', chunk size=4096)
     Get the hash sum of a file
     This is better than get_sum for the following reasons:
            • It does not read the entire file into memory.
            • It does not return a string on error. The returned value of get_sum cannot really be trusted
                 since it is vulnerable to collisions: get_sum(..., 'xyz') == 'Hash xyz not
                 supported'
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_hash /etc/shadow
salt.modules.file.get_managed(name, template, source, source_hash, user, group, mode, saltenv,
                                      context, defaults, **kwargs)
     Return the managed file data for file.managed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_managed /etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf jinja salt://http/httpd.conf '{hash_type:
salt.modules.file.get_mode(path, follow_symlinks=True)
     Return the mode of a file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_mode /etc/passwd
     Changed in version 2014.1.0: follow_symlinks option added
salt.modules.file.get_selinux_context(path)
     Get an SELinux context from a given path
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_selinux_context /etc/hosts
salt.modules.file.get_sum(path, form='md5')
     Return the sum for the given file, default is md5, sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384, sha512 are supported
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' file.get_sum /etc/passwd sha512
salt.modules.file.get_uid(path, follow_symlinks=True)
     Return the id of the user that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_uid /etc/passwd
     Changed in version 0.16.4: follow_symlinks option added
salt.modules.file.get_user(path, follow_symlinks=True)
     Return the user that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_user /etc/passwd
     Changed in version 0.16.4: follow_symlinks option added
salt.modules.file.gid to group (gid)
     Convert the group id to the group name on this system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.gid_to_group 0
salt.modules.file.grep (path, pattern, *args)
     Grep for a string in the specified file
     Note: This function's return value is slated for refinement in future versions of Salt
     path A file path
     pattern A string. For example: test a [0-5]
     args grep options. For example: " -v" " -i -B2"
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.grep /etc/passwd nobody
     salt '*' file.grep /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth0 ipaddr " -i"
     salt '*' file.grep /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth0 ipaddr " -i -B2"
     salt '*' file.grep "/etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/*" ipaddr " -i -l"
salt.modules.file.group_to_gid(group)
     Convert the group to the gid on this system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.group_to_gid root
salt.modules.file.is blkdev(name)
     Check if a file exists and is a block device.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.is_blkdev /dev/blk
salt.modules.file.is chrdev(name)
     Check if a file exists and is a character device.
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.is_chrdev /dev/chr
salt.modules.file.is_fifo(name)
     Check if a file exists and is a FIFO.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.is_fifo /dev/fifo
salt.modules.file.link(src, link)
     Create a hard link to a file
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.link /path/to/file /path/to/link
salt.modules.file.list_backups(path, limit=None)
     Lists the previous versions of a file backed up using Salt's file state backup system.
     New in version 0.17.0.
     path The path on the minion to check for backups
     limit Limit the number of results to the most recent N backups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.list_backups /foo/bar/baz.txt
salt.modules.file.lstat(path)
     Returns the lstat attributes for the given file or dir. Does not support symbolic links.
     CLI Example:
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     salt '*' file.lstat /path/to/file
salt.modules.file.makedirs(path, user=None, group=None, mode=None)
     Ensure that the directory containing this path is available.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.makedirs /opt/code
salt.modules.file.makedirs perms (name, user=None, group=None, mode='0755')
     Taken and modified from os.makedirs to set user, group and mode for each directory created.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.makedirs_perms /opt/code
salt.modules.file.manage_file(name, sfn, ret, source, source_sum, user, group, mode,
                                       salteny, backup, template=None, show diff=True, contents=None,
                                       dir mode=None)
     Checks the destination against what was retrieved with get_managed and makes the appropriate modifications
```

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(if necessary). CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.manage_file /etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf '{}' salt://http/httpd.conf '{hash_type:
salt.modules.file.mkdir(dir_path, user=None, group=None, mode=None)
     Ensure that a directory is available.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.mkdir /opt/jetty/context
salt.modules.file.mknod(name, ntype, major=0, minor=0, user=None, group=None, mode='0600')
          Create a block device, character device, or fifo pipe. Identical to the gnu mknod.
         CLI Examples:
     salt '*' file.mknod /dev/chr c 180 31
     salt '*' file.mknod /dev/blk b 8 999
     salt '*' file.nknod /dev/fifo p
salt.modules.file.mknod_blkdev(name, major, minor, user=None, group=None, mode='0660')
     Create a block device.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.mknod blkdev /dev/blk 8 999
salt.modules.file.mknod_chrdev(name, major, minor, user=None, group=None, mode='0660')
     Create a character device.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.mknod_chrdev /dev/chr 180 31
salt.modules.file.mknod_fifo (name, user=None, group=None, mode='0660')
     Create a FIFO pipe.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.mknod_fifo /dev/fifo
salt.modules.file.patch (originalfile, patchfile, options='', dry_run=False)
     New in version 0.10.4.
     Apply a patch to a file
     Equivalent to:
     patch <options> <originalfile> <patchfile>
     originalfile The full path to the file or directory to be patched
     patchfile A patch file to apply to original file
     options Options to pass to patch.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.patch /opt/file.txt /tmp/file.txt.patch
salt.modules.file.path_exists_glob(path)
     Tests to see if path after expansion is a valid path (file or directory). Expansion allows usage of ? * and character
     ranges []. Tilde expansion is not supported. Returns True/False.
```

New in version Hellium.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.path_exists_glob /etc/pam*/pass*
```

Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use replace() instead.

Make a simple edit to a file (pure Python version)

Equivalent to:

```
sed <backup> <options> "/<limit>/ s/<before>/<after>/<flags> <file>"
```

path The full path to the file to be edited

before A pattern to find in order to replace with after

after Text that will replace before

limit [''] An initial pattern to search for before searching for before

backup [.bak] The file will be backed up before edit with this file extension; **WARNING:** each time sed/comment/uncomment is called will overwrite this backup

flags [gMS]

Flags to modify the search. Valid values are:

- g: Replace all occurrences of the pattern, not just the first.
- I: Ignore case.
- L: Make \w, \W, \b, \B, \s and \S dependent on the locale.
- M: Treat multiple lines as a single line.
- S: Make . match all characters, including newlines.
- U: Make \w, \W, \b, \B, \d, \D, \s and \S dependent on Unicode.
- X: Verbose (whitespace is ignored).

multi: False If True, treat the entire file as a single line

Forward slashes and single quotes will be escaped automatically in the before and after patterns.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.sed /etc/httpd/httpd.conf 'LogLevel warn' 'LogLevel info'
```

salt.modules.file.readdir(path)

Return a list containing the contents of a directory

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' file.readdir /path/to/dir/
```

salt.modules.file.readlink(path)

Return the path that a symlink points to

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' file.readlink /path/to/link
salt.modules.file.remove(path)
     Remove the named file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.remove /tmp/foo
salt.modules.file.rename(src, dst)
     Rename a file or directory
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.rename /path/to/src /path/to/dst
salt.modules.file.replace(path,
                                       pattern,
                                                 repl,
                                                        count=0,
                                                                   flags=0,
                                                                             bufsize=1,
                                pend_if_not_found=False,
                                                                   prepend_if_not_found=False,
                                not found content=None,
                                                            backup='.bak',
                                                                               dry run=False,
                                search_only=False, show_changes=True)
```

Replace occurrences of a pattern in a file

New in version 0.17.0.

This is a pure Python implementation that wraps Python's sub ().

Parameters

- path Filesystem path to the file to be edited
- pattern The PCRE search
- repl The replacement text
- count Maximum number of pattern occurrences to be replaced
- flags (list or int) A list of flags defined in the re module documentation. Each list item should be a string that will correlate to the human-friendly flag name. E.g., ['IGNORECASE', 'MULTILINE']. Note: multiline searches must specify file as the bufsize argument below.
- **bufsize** (*int or str*) How much of the file to buffer into memory at once. The default value 1 processes one line at a time. The special value file may be specified which will read the entire file into memory before processing. Note: multiline searches must specify file buffering.
- :param append_if_not_found If pattern is not found and set to True then, the content will be appended to the file.
- :param prepend_if_not_found If pattern is not found and set to True then, the content will be appended to the file.
- **:param not_found_content Content to use for append/prepend if not found. If** None (default), uses repl. Useful when repl uses references to group in pattern.

Parameters

- **backup** The file extension to use for a backup of the file before editing. Set to False to skip making a backup.
- **dry_run** Don't make any edits to the file

- search_only Just search for the pattern; ignore the replacement; stop on the first match
- **show_changes** Output a unified diff of the old file and the new file. If False return a boolean if any changes were made. Note: using this option will store two copies of the file in-memory (the original version and the edited version) in order to generate the diff.

Return type bool or str

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.replace /etc/httpd/httpd.conf 'LogLevel warn' 'LogLevel info'
     salt '*' file.replace /some/file 'before' 'after' flags='[MULTILINE, IGNORECASE]'
salt.modules.file.restore_backup(path, backup_id)
     Restore a previous version of a file that was backed up using Salt's file state backup system.
     New in version 0.17.0.
     path The path on the minion to check for backups
     backup_id The numeric id for the backup you wish to restore, as found using file.list_backups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.restore_backup /foo/bar/baz.txt 0
salt.modules.file.restorecon(path, recursive=False)
     Reset the SELinux context on a given path
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.restorecon /home/user/.ssh/authorized_keys
salt.modules.file.rmdir(path)
     Remove the specified directory. Fails if a directory is not empty.
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.rmdir /tmp/foo/
salt.modules.file.search (path, pattern, flags=0, bufsize=1)
     Search for occurrences of a pattern in a file
     New in version 0.17.0.
     Params are identical to replace ().
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.search /etc/crontab 'mymaintenance.sh'
salt.modules.file.sed(path, before, after, limit='', backup='.bak', options='-r -e', flags='g', es-
                            cape_all=False, negate_match=False)
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use replace() instead.
     Make a simple edit to a file
     Equivalent to:
     sed <backup> <options> "/<limit>/ s/<before>/<after>/<flags> <file>"
     path The full path to the file to be edited
```

```
before A pattern to find in order to replace with after
     after Text that will replace before
     limit [''] An initial pattern to search for before searching for before
     backup [.bak] The file will be backed up before edit with this file extension; WARNING: each time
          sed/comment/uncomment is called will overwrite this backup
     options [-r -e] Options to pass to sed
     flags [g] Flags to modify the sed search; e.g., i for case-insensitve pattern matching
     negate_match [False] Negate the search command (!)
          New in version 0.17.0.
     Forward slashes and single quotes will be escaped automatically in the before and after patterns.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.sed /etc/httpd/httpd.conf 'LogLevel warn' 'LogLevel info'
salt.modules.file.sed_contains(path, text, limit='', flags='g')
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use search () instead.
     Return True if the file at path contains text. Utilizes sed to perform the search (line-wise search).
     Note: the p flag will be added to any flags you pass in.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.contains /etc/crontab 'mymaintenance.sh'
salt.modules.file.seek_read(path, size, offset)
     Seek to a position on a file and write to it
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.seek_read /path/to/file 4096 0
salt.modules.file.seek_write(path, data, offset)
     Seek to a position on a file and write to it
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.seek_write /path/to/file 'some data' 4096
salt.modules.file.set_mode(path, mode)
     Set the mode of a file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.set_mode /etc/passwd 0644
salt.modules.file.set_selinux_context(path,
                                                           user=None,
                                                                         role=None,
                                                                                        type=None,
                                                  range=None)
     Set a specific SELinux label on a given path
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' file.set_selinux_context path <role> <type> <range>
salt.modules.file.source_list (source, source_hash, saltenv)
     Check the source list and return the source to use
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.source_list salt://http/httpd.conf '{hash_type: 'md5', 'hsum': <md5sum>}' base
salt.modules.file.stats(path, hash_type='md5', follow_symlinks=True)
     Return a dict containing the stats for a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.stats /etc/passwd
salt.modules.file.statvfs(path)
     Perform a statvfs call against the filesystem that the file resides on
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.statvfs /path/to/file
salt.modules.file.symlink(src, link)
     Create a symbolic link to a file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.symlink /path/to/file /path/to/link
salt.modules.file.touch(name, atime=None, mtime=None)
     New in version 0.9.5.
     Just like the touch command, create a file if it doesn't exist or simply update the atime and mtime if it already
     does.
     atime: Access time in Unix epoch time
     mtime: Last modification in Unix epoch time
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.touch /var/log/emptyfile
salt.modules.file.truncate(path, length)
     Seek to a position on a file and write to it
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.truncate /path/to/file 512
salt.modules.file.uid_to_user(uid)
     Convert a uid to a user name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.uid_to_user 0
```

```
salt.modules.file.uncomment (path, regex, char='#', backup='.bak')
     Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use replace() instead.
     Uncomment specified commented lines in a file
     path The full path to the file to be edited
     regex A regular expression used to find the lines that are to be uncommented. This regex should not include the
          comment character. A leading ^ character will be stripped for convenience (for easily switching between
          comment() and uncomment()).
     char [#] The character to remove in order to uncomment a line
     backup [.bak] The file will be backed up before edit with this file extension; WARNING: each time
          sed/comment/uncomment is called will overwrite this backup
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.uncomment /etc/hosts.deny 'ALL: PARANOID'
salt.modules.file.user_to_uid(user)
     Convert user name to a uid
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.user_to_uid root
20.16.47 salt.modules.freebsd_sysctl
Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters
salt.modules.freebsd_sysctl.assign(name, value)
     Assign a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.assign net.inet.icmp.icmplim 50
salt.modules.freebsd_sysctl.get (name)
     Return a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.get hw.physmem
salt.modules.freebsd_sysctl.persist(name, value, config='/etc/sysctl.conf')
     Assign and persist a simple sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.persist net.inet.icmp.icmplim 50
     salt '*' sysctl.persist coretemp_load NO config=/boot/loader.conf
salt.modules.freebsd_sysctl.show()
     Return a list of sysctl parameters for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.show
```

20.16.48 salt.modules.freebsdjail

```
The jail module for FreeBSD
salt.modules.freebsdjail.fstab(jail)
     Display contents of a fstab(5) file defined in specified jail's configuration. If no file is defined, return False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.fstab <jail name>
salt.modules.freebsdjail.get_enabled()
     Return which jails are set to be run
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.get_enabled
salt.modules.freebsdjail.is_enabled()
     See if jail service is actually enabled on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.is_enabled <jail name>
salt.modules.freebsdjail.restart(jail='')
     Restart the specified jail or all, if none specified
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.restart [<jail name>]
salt.modules.freebsdjail.show_config(jail)
     Display specified jail's configuration
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.show_config <jail name>
salt.modules.freebsdjail.start(jail='')
     Start the specified jail or all, if none specified
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.start [<jail name>]
salt.modules.freebsdjail.status(jail)
     See if specified jail is currently running
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.status <jail name>
salt.modules.freebsdjail.stop(jail='')
     Stop the specified jail or all, if none specified
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' jail.stop [<jail name>]
salt.modules.freebsdjail.sysctl()
     Dump all jail related kernel states (sysctl)
```

```
salt '*' jail.sysctl
```

20.16.49 salt.modules.freebsdkmod

```
Module to manage FreeBSD kernel modules
salt.modules.freebsdkmod.available()
     Return a list of all available kernel modules
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.available
salt.modules.freebsdkmod.check_available(mod)
     Check to see if the specified kernel module is available
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.check_available kvm
salt.modules.freebsdkmod.load(mod)
     Load the specified kernel module
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.load kvm
salt.modules.freebsdkmod.lsmod()
     Return a dict containing information about currently loaded modules
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.lsmod
salt.modules.freebsdkmod.remove (mod)
     Remove the specified kernel module
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.remove kvm
```

20.16.50 salt.modules.freebsdpkg

Remote package support using pkg_add(1)

Warning: This module has been completely rewritten. Up to and including version 0.17.0, it supported $pkg_add(1)$, but checked for the existence of a pkgng local database and, if found, would provide some of pkgng's functionality. The rewrite of this module has removed all pkgng support, and moved it to the pkgng execution module. For verisions $\leq 0.17.0$, the documentation here should not be considered accurate. If your Minion is running one of these versions, then the documentation for this module can be viewed using the sys.doc function:

```
salt bsdminion sys.doc pkg
```

This module acts as the default package provider for FreeBSD 9 and older. If you need to use pkgng on a FreeBSD 9 system, you will need to override the pkg provider by setting the providers parameter in your Minion config file, in order to use pkgng.

```
providers:
   pkg: pkgng
```

More information on pkgng support can be found in the documentation for the pkgng module.

- fromrepo: ftp://ftp2.freebsd.org/

This module will respect the PACKAGEROOT and PACKAGESITE environment variables, if set, but these values can also be overridden in several ways:

1. **Salt configuration parameters.** The configuration parameters freebsdpkg.PACKAGEROOT and freebsdpkg.PACKAGESITE are recognized. These config parameters are looked up using config.get and can thus be specified in the Master config file, Grains, Pillar, or in the Minion config file. Example:

```
freebsdpkg.PACKAGEROOT: ftp://ftp.freebsd.org/
freebsdpkg.PACKAGESITE: ftp://ftp.freebsd.org/pub/FreeBSD/ports/ia64/packages-9-stable/Latest/
```

2. **CLI arguments.** Both the packageroot (used interchangeably with from repo for API compatibility) and packagesite CLI arguments are recognized, and override their config counterparts from section 1 above.

```
salt -G 'os:FreeBSD' pkg.install zsh fromrepo=ftp://ftp2.freebsd.org/
salt -G 'os:FreeBSD' pkg.install zsh packageroot=ftp://ftp2.freebsd.org/
salt -G 'os:FreeBSD' pkg.install zsh packagesite=ftp://ftp2.freebsd.org/pub/FreeBSD/ports/ia
.. note::
    These arguments can also be passed through in states:
    .. code-block:: yaml
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkg.file_dict(*packages)
```

pkg.installed:

List the files that belong to a package, grouped by package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

zsh:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkg.file_list(*packages)
```

List the files that belong to a package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list

salt .modules.freebsdpkg.install(name=None, refresh=False, fromrepo=None, pkgs=None,
```

Install package(s) using pkg_add(1)

name The name of the package to be installed.

refresh Whether or not to refresh the package database before installing.

fromrepo or packageroot Specify a package repository from which to install. Overrides the system default, as well as the PACKAGEROOT environment variable.

sources=None, **kwargs)

packagesite Specify the exact directory from which to install the remote package. Overrides the PACKAGE-SITE environment variable, if present.

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. Must be passed as a python list.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

sources A list of packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"foo": "salt://foo.deb"}, {"bar": "salt://bar.deb"}]'
```

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkg.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

pkg_add(1) is not capable of querying for remote packages, so this function will always return results as if there is no package available for install or upgrade.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

salt.modules.freebsdpkg.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, with_origin=False, **kwargs)

List the packages currently installed as a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

with_origin [False] Return a nested dictionary containing both the origin name and version for each installed package.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkg.refresh_db()
```

pkg_add(1) does not use a local database of available packages, so this function simply returns True. it exists merely for API compatibility.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkg.rehash()
```

Recomputes internal hash table for the PATH variable. Use whenever a new command is created during the current session.

```
salt '*' pkg.rehash
```

salt.modules.freebsdpkg.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)

Remove packages using pkg_delete(1)

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkg.upgrade()
```

Upgrades are not supported with pkg_add(1). This function is included for API compatibility only and always returns an empty dict.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdpkq.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

with_origin [False] Return a nested dictionary containing both the origin name and version for each specified package.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.51 salt.modules.freebsdports

Install software from the FreeBSD ports (7) system

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

This module allows you to install ports using BATCH=yes to bypass configuration prompts. It is recommended to use the the ports state to install ports, but it it also possible to use this module exclusively from the command line.

```
salt minion-id ports.config security/nmap IPV6=off
salt minion-id ports.install security/nmap
salt.modules.freebsdports.config(name, reset=False, **kwargs)
```

Modify configuration options for a given port. Multiple options can be specified. To see the available options for a port, use ports.showconfig.

name The port name, in category/name format

reset [False] If True, runs a make rmconfig for the port, clearing its configuration before setting the desired options

```
CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' ports.config security/nmap IPV6=off
```

salt.modules.freebsdports.deinstall(name)

De-install a port.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' ports.deinstall security/nmap
```

salt.modules.freebsdports.install(name, clean=True)

Install a port from the ports tree. Installs using BATCH=yes for non-interactive building. To set config options for a given port, use ports.config.

clean [True] If True, **cleans** after installation. Equivalent to running make install clean BATCH=yes.

Note: It may be helpful to run this function using the -t option to set a higher timeout, since compiling a port may cause the Salt command to exceed the default timeout.

CLI Example:

```
salt -t 1200 '*' ports.install security/nmap
```

salt.modules.freebsdports.list_all()

Lists all ports available.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' ports.list_all
```

Warning: Takes a while to run, and returns a LOT of output

```
salt.modules.freebsdports.rmconfig(name)
```

Clear the cached options for the specified port; run a make rmconfig

name The name of the port to clear

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' ports.rmconfig security/nmap
```

salt.modules.freebsdports.search(name)

Search for matches in the ports tree. Globs are supported, and the category is optional

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' ports.search 'security/*'
salt '*' ports.search 'security/n*'
salt '*' ports.search nmap
```

Warning: Takes a while to run

salt.modules.freebsdports.showconfig(name, default=False, dict_return=False)

Show the configuration options for a given port.

default [False] Show the default options for a port (not necessarily the same as the current configuration) **dict_return** [False] Instead of returning the output of make showconfig, return the data in an dictionary

CLI Example:

extract [False] If True, runs a portsnap extract after fetching, should be used for first-time installation of the ports tree.

CLI Example:

salt '*' ports.update

20.16.52 salt.modules.freebsdservice

```
The service module for FreeBSD
```

```
\verb|salt.modules.freebsdservice.available| (|name|)
```

Check that the given service is available.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.available sshd
```

salt.modules.freebsdservice.disable(name, **kwargs)

Disable the named service to start at boot

Arguments the same as for enable()

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.disable <service name>
```

salt.modules.freebsdservice.disabled(name)

Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.freebsdservice.enable| (\textit{name}, **kwargs)|$

Enable the named service to start at boot

name service name

config [/etc/rc.conf] Config file for managing service. If config value is empty string, then /etc/rc.conf.d/<service> used. See man rc.conf(5) for details.

Also service.config variable can be used to change default.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.enable <service name>
```

salt.modules.freebsdservice.enabled(name)

Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise

name Service name

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.freebsdservice.get all()
     Return a list of all available services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.freebsdservice.get_disabled()
     Return what services are available but not enabled to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.freebsdservice.get_enabled()
     Return what services are set to run on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.freebsdservice.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.freebsdservice.reload(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.freebsdservice.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.freebsdservice.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.freebsdservice.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service (True or False).
     name Name of service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
```

```
salt.modules.freebsdservice.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
20.16.53 salt.modules.gem
Manage ruby gems.
salt.modules.gem.install(gems, ruby=None, runas=None, version=None, rdoc=False, ri=False)
     Installs one or several gems.
     gems The gems to install
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     version [None] Specify the version to install for the gem. Doesn't play nice with multiple gems at once
     rdoc [False] Generate RDoc documentation for the gem(s).
     ri [False] Generate RI documentation for the gem(s).
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.install vagrant
salt.modules.gem.list(prefix='', ruby=None, runas=None)
     List locally installed gems.
     prefix : Only list gems when the name matches this prefix.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.list
salt.modules.gem.sources_add(source_uri, ruby=None, runas=None)
     Add a gem source.
     source_uri The source URI to add.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.sources_add http://rubygems.org/
salt.modules.gem.sources_list(ruby=None, runas=None)
     List the configured gem sources.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' gem.sources_list
salt.modules.gem.sources_remove (source_uri, ruby=None, runas=None)
     Remove a gem source.
     source uri The source URI to remove.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.sources_remove http://rubygems.org/
salt.modules.gem.uninstall(gems, ruby=None, runas=None)
     Uninstall one or several gems.
     gems The gems to uninstall.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.uninstall vagrant
salt.modules.gem.update(gems, ruby=None, runas=None)
     Update one or several gems.
     gems The gems to update.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.update vagrant
salt.modules.gem.update_system(version='', ruby=None, runas=None)
     Update rubygems.
     version [(newest)] The version of rubygems to install.
     ruby [None] If RVM is installed, the ruby version and gemset to use.
     runas [None] The user to run gem as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gem.update_system
```

20.16.54 salt.modules.gentoo_service

```
Top level package command wrapper, used to translate the os detected by grains to the correct service manager salt.modules.gentoo_service.available (name)
```

Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.

```
salt '*' service.available sshd
salt.modules.gentoo_service.disable(name, **kwargs)
     Disable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.gentoo_service.disabled(name)
     Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.gentoo_service.enable(name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.gentoo_service.enabled(name)
     Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.gentoo_service.get_all()
     Return all available boot services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.gentoo_service.get_disabled()
     Return a set of services that are installed but disabled
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.gentoo_service.get_enabled()
     Return a list of service that are enabled on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.gentoo_service.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.gentoo_service.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.gentoo_service.start (name)
    Start the specified service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.gentoo_service.status (name, sig=None)
    Return the status for a service, returns the PID or an empty string if the service is running or not, pass a signature to use to find the service via ps
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.status <service name> [service signature]
salt.modules.gentoo_service.stop (name)
    Stop the specified service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.stop <service name>
```

20.16.55 salt.modules.gentoolkitmod

Support for Gentoolkit

Clean obsolete portage sources

destructive Only keep minimum for reinstallation

package_names Protect all versions of installed packages. Only meaningful if used with destructive=True

size_limit <size> Don't delete distfiles bigger than <size>. <size> is a size specification: "10M" is "ten megabytes", "200K" is "two hundreds kilobytes", etc. Units are: G, M, K and B.

time_limit <time> Don't delete distfiles files modified since <time> <time> is an amount of time: "1y" is "one year", "2w" is "two weeks", etc. Units are: y (years), m (months), w (weeks), d (days) and h (hours).

fetch_restricted Protect fetch-restricted files. Only meaningful if used with destructive=True

exclude_file Path to exclusion file. Default is /etc/eclean/distfiles.exclude This is the same default eclean-dist uses. Use None if this file exists and you want to ignore.

Returns a dict containing the cleaned, saved, and deprecated dists:

```
{'cleaned': {<dist file>: <size>},
  'deprecated': {<package>: <dist file>},
  'saved': {<package>: <dist file>},
  'total_cleaned': <size>}

CLI Example:
salt '*' gentoolkit.eclean_dist destructive=True
```

```
salt.modules.gentoolkitmod.eclean_pkg (destructive=False, age_names=False, time_limit=0, ex-clude file='/etc/eclean/packages.exclude')
```

Clean obsolete binary packages

destructive Only keep minimum for reinstallation

package_names Protect all versions of installed packages. Only meaningful if used with destructive=True

time_limit <time> Don't delete distfiles files modified since <time> <time> is an amount of time: "1y" is "one year", "2w" is "two weeks", etc. Units are: y (years), m (months), w (weeks), d (days) and h (hours).

exclude_file Path to exclusion file. Default is /etc/eclean/packages.exclude This is the same default eclean-pkg uses. Use None if this file exists and you want to ignore.

Returns a dict containing the cleaned binary packages:

```
{'cleaned': {<dist file>: <size>},
    'total_cleaned': <size>}

CLI Example:
    salt '*' gentoolkit.eclean_pkg destructive=True

salt.modules.gentoolkitmod.glsa_check_list (glsa_list)
    List the status of Gentoo Linux Security Advisories
```

glsa_list can contain an arbitrary number of GLSA ids, filenames containing GLSAs or the special identifiers 'all' and 'affected'

Returns a dict containing glsa ids with a description, status, and CVEs:

```
{<glsa_id>: {'description': <glsa_description>,
    'status': <glsa status>,
    'CVEs': [<list of CVEs>]}}

CLI Example:
    salt '*' gentoolkit.glsa_check_list 'affected'
salt.modules.gentoolkitmod.revdep_rebuild(lib=None)
```

Fix up broken reverse dependencies

lib Search for reverse dependencies for a particular library rather than every library on the system. It can be a full path to a library or basic regular expression.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' gentoolkit.revdep_rebuild
```

20.16.56 salt.modules.git

Support for the Git SCM

```
salt.modules.git.add(cwd, file_name, user=None, opts=None)
add a file to git
```

cwd The path to the Git repository

file_name Path to the file in the cwd

opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line

```
user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.add /path/to/git/repo /path/to/file
salt.modules.qit.archive(cwd, output, rev='HEAD', fmt=None, prefix=None, user=None)
     Export a tarball from the repository
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     output The path to the archive tarball
     rev: HEAD The revision to create an archive from
     fmt: None Format of the resulting archive, zip and tar are commonly used
     prefix [None] Prepend prefix>/ to every filename in the archive
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     If prefix is not specified it defaults to the basename of the repo directory.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.archive /path/to/repo /path/to/archive.tar.gz
salt.modules.git.checkout (cwd, rev, force=False, opts=None, user=None)
     Checkout a given revision
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     rev The remote branch or revision to checkout
     force [False] Force a checkout even if there might be overwritten changes
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' git.checkout /path/to/repo somebranch user=jeff
     salt '*' git.checkout /path/to/repo opts='testbranch -- conf/file1 file2'
     salt '*' git.checkout /path/to/repo rev=origin/mybranch opts=--track
salt.modules.git.clone(cwd, repository, opts=None, user=None, identity=None)
     Clone a new repository
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     repository The git URI of the repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     identity [None] A path to a private key to use over SSH
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.clone /path/to/repo git://github.com/saltstack/salt.git
     salt '*' git.clone /path/to/repo.git\
               git://github.com/saltstack/salt.git '--bare --origin github'
```

```
salt.modules.git.commit (cwd, message, user=None, opts=None)
     create a commit
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     message The commit message
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.commit /path/to/git/repo 'The commit message'
salt.modules.git.config get(cwd, setting name, user=None)
     Get a key from the git configuration file (.git/config) of the repository.
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     setting_name The name of the configuration key to get
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.config_get /path/to/repo user.email
salt.modules.git.config_set(cwd, setting_name, setting_value, user=None, is_global=False)
     Set a key in the git configuration file (.git/config) of the repository or globally.
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     setting name The name of the configuration key to set
     setting_value The (new) value to set
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     is_global [False] Set to True to use the '-global' flag with 'git config'
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.config_set /path/to/repo user.email me@example.com
salt.modules.git.current_branch(cwd, user=None)
     Returns the current branch name, if on a branch.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.current_branch /path/to/repo
salt.modules.git.describe(cwd, rev='HEAD', user=None)
     Returns the git describe string (or the SHA hash if there are no tags) for the given revision
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     rev: HEAD The revision to describe
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' git.describe /path/to/repo
     salt '*' git.describe /path/to/repo develop
```

```
salt.modules.git.fetch(cwd, opts=None, user=None, identity=None)
     Perform a fetch on the given repository
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     identity [None] A path to a private key to use over SSH
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.fetch /path/to/repo '--all'
     salt '*' git.fetch cwd=/path/to/repo opts='--all' user=johnny
salt.modules.git.init(cwd, opts=None, user=None)
     Initialize a new git repository
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.init /path/to/repo.git opts='--bare'
salt.modules.git.ls_remote(cwd, repository='origin', branch='master', user=None, iden-
                                    tity=None)
     Returns the upstream hash for any given URL and branch.
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     repository: origin The name of the repository to get the revision from. Can be the name of a remote, an URL,
     branch: master The name of the branch to get the revision from.
     user [none] run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     identity [none] a path to a private key to use over ssh
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.ls_remote /pat/to/repo origin master
salt.modules.git.merge(cwd, branch='@{upstream}', opts=None, user=None)
     Merge a given branch
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     branch [@{upstream}] The remote branch or revision to merge into the current branch
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.fetch /path/to/repo
     salt '*' git.merge /path/to/repo @{upstream}
salt.modules.git.pull(cwd, opts=None, user=None, identity=None)
     Perform a pull on the given repository
```

```
cwd The path to the Git repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     identity [None] A path to a private key to use over SSH
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.pull /path/to/repo opts='--rebase origin master'
salt.modules.git.push(cwd, remote_name, branch='master', user=None, opts=None, iden-
                            tity=None)
     Push to remote
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     remote name Name of the remote to push to
     branch [master] Name of the branch to push
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     identity [None] A path to a private key to use over SSH
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.push /path/to/git/repo remote-name
salt.modules.git.rebase(cwd, rev='master', opts=None, user=None)
     Rebase the current branch
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     rev [master] The revision to rebase onto the current branch
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.rebase /path/to/repo master
     salt '*' git.rebase /path/to/repo 'origin master'
     That is the same as:
     git rebase master
     git rebase origin master
salt.modules.git.remote_get (cwd, remote='origin', user=None)
     get the fetch and push URL for a specified remote name
     remote [origin] the remote name used to define the fetch and push URL
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.remote_get /path/to/repo
     salt '*' git.remote_get /path/to/repo upstream
salt.modules.git.remote set(cwd, name='origin', url=None, user=None)
     sets a remote with name and URL like git remote add <remote_name> <remote_url>
```

```
remote_name [origin] defines the remote name
     remote_url [None] defines the remote URL; should not be None!
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.remote_set /path/to/repo remote_url=git@github.com:saltstack/salt.git
     salt '*' git.remote_set /path/to/repo origin git@github.com:saltstack/salt.git
salt.modules.git.remotes(cwd, user=None)
     Get remotes like git remote -v
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.remotes /path/to/repo
salt.modules.git.reset (cwd, opts=None, user=None)
     Reset the repository checkout
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.reset /path/to/repo master
salt.modules.git.revision(cwd, rev='HEAD', short=False, user=None)
     Returns the long hash of a given identifier (hash, branch, tag, HEAD, etc)
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     rev: HEAD The revision
     short: False Return an abbreviated SHA1 git hash
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.revision /path/to/repo mybranch
salt.modules.git.rm(cwd, file_name, user=None, opts=None)
     Remove a file from git
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     file_name Path to the file in the cwd
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.rm /path/to/git/repo /path/to/file
salt.modules.git.stash(cwd, opts=None, user=None)
     Stash changes in the repository checkout
```

```
cwd The path to the Git repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.stash /path/to/repo master
salt.modules.git.status(cwd, user=None)
     Return the status of the repository. The returned format uses the status codes of gits 'porcelain' output mode
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.status /path/to/git/repo
salt.modules.git.submodule(cwd, init=True, opts=None, user=None, identity=None)
     Initialize git submodules
     cwd The path to the Git repository
     init [True] Ensure that new submodules are initialized
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run git as a user other than what the minion runs as
     identity [None] A path to a private key to use over SSH
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' git.submodule /path/to/repo.git/sub/repo
```

20.16.57 salt.modules.glance

Module for handling openstack glance calls.

optdepends

· glanceclient Python adapter

configuration This module is not usable until the following are specified either in a pillar or in the minion's config file:

```
keystone.user: admin
keystone.password: verybadpass
keystone.tenant: admin
keystone.tenant_id: f80919baedab48ec8931f200c65a50df
keystone.insecure: False  #(optional)
keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
```

If configuration for multiple openstack accounts is required, they can be set up as different configuration profiles: For example:

```
openstack1:
  keystone.user: admin
  keystone.password: verybadpass
  keystone.tenant: admin
```

```
keystone.tenant_id: f80919baedab48ec8931f200c65a50df
           keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
         openstack2:
           keystone.user: admin
           keystone.password: verybadpass
           keystone.tenant: admin
           keystone.tenant_id: f80919baedab48ec8931f200c65a50df
           keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.2:5000/v2.0/'
         With this configuration in place, any of the keystone functions can make use of a configuration
         profile by declaring it explicitly. For example:
         salt '*' glance.image_list profile=openstack1
salt.modules.glance.image_create(profile=None, **kwargs)
     Create an image (glance image-create)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glance.image_create name=f16-jeos is_public=true \
              disk_format=qcow2 container_format=ovf \
               copy_from=http://berrange.fedorapeople.org/images/2012-02-29/f16-x86_64-openstack-sda.c
     For all possible values, run glance help image-create on the minion.
salt.modules.glance.image_delete(id=None, name=None, profile=None)
     Delete an image (glance image-delete)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' glance.image delete c2eb2eb0-53e1-4a80-b990-8ec887eae7df
     salt '*' qlance.image_delete id=c2eb2eb0-53e1-4a80-b990-8ec887eae7df
     salt '*' glance.image_delete name=f16-jeos
salt.modules.glance.image list(id=None, profile=None)
     Return a list of available images (glance image-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glance.image_list
salt.modules.glance.image_show (id=None, name=None, profile=None)
     Return details about a specific image (glance image-show)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glance.image_get
20.16.58 salt.modules.glusterfs
Manage a glusterfs pool
salt.modules.glusterfs.create(name, peers=None, brick='/srv/gluster/brick1', replica=False,
                                    count=2, **kwargs)
     Create a glusterfs volume.
     name name of the gluster volume
     brick filesystem path for the brick
```

```
peers peers that will be part of the cluster
     replica replicated or distributed cluster
     count number of nodes per replica block
     short (optional) use short names for peering
     CLI Example:
     salt 'one.gluster*' glusterfs.create mymount /srv/
                                                                           peers='["one", "two"]'
     salt -G 'gluster:master' glusterfs.create mymount /srv/gluster/brick1
                                                                                               peers='["one",
salt.modules.glusterfs.list_peers()
     Return a list of gluster peers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glusterfs.list_peers
salt.modules.glusterfs.list_volumes()
     List configured volumes
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glusterfs.list_volumes
salt.modules.glusterfs.peer(name)
     Add another node into the peer probe.
     Need to add the ability to add to use ip addresses
     name The remote host with which to peer.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'one.gluster.*' glusterfs.peer two
salt.modules.glusterfs.start(name)
     Start a gluster volume.
     name Volume name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glusterfs.start mycluster
salt.modules.glusterfs.status(name)
     Check the status of a gluster volume.
     name Volume name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' glusterfs.status mycluster
```

20.16.59 salt.modules.gnomedesktop

GNOME implementations

```
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.get (schema=None, key=None, user=None, **kwargs)
     Get key in a particular GNOME schema
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.get user=<username> schema=org.gnome.desktop.screensaver key=idle-activation-enak
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.getClockFormat(**kwargs)
     Return the current clock format, either 12h or 24h format.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.getClockFormat user=<username>
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.getClockShowDate(**kwargs)
     Return the current setting, if the date is shown in the clock
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.getClockShowDate user=<username>
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.getIdleActivation(**kwargs)
     Get whether the idle activation is enabled
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.getIdleActivation user=<username>
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.getIdleDelay(**kwargs)
     Return the current idle delay setting in seconds
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.getIdleDelay user=<username>
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.ping(**kwargs)
     A test to ensure the GNOME module is loaded
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.ping user=<username>
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.setClockFormat(clockFormat, **kwargs)
     Set the clock format, either 12h or 24h format.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.setClockFormat <12h|24h> user=<username>
salt.modules.qnomedesktop.setClockShowDate(kvalue, **kwargs)
     Set whether the date is visible in the clock
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' gnome.setClockShowDate <True|False> user=<username>
salt.modules.gnomedesktop.setIdleActivation(kvalue, **kwargs)
     Set whether the idle activation is enabled
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' qnome.setIdleActivation <True|False> user=<username>
```

```
Set the current idle delay setting in seconds

CLI Example:

salt '*' gnome.setIdleDelay <seconds> user=<username>

salt.modules.gnomedesktop.set (schema=None, key=None, user=None, value=None, **kwargs)

Set key in a particular GNOME schema

CLI Example:

salt '*' gnome.set user=<username> schema=org.gnome.desktop.screensaver key=idle-activation-enak
```

20.16.60 salt.modules.grains

Return/control aspects of the grains data

```
salt.modules.grains.append(key, val)
New in version 0.17.0.
```

Append a value to a list in the grains config file

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' grains.append key val
salt.modules.grains.delval(key, destructive=False)
New in version 0.17.0.
```

Delete a grain from the grains config file

Parameters Destructive – Delete the key, too. Defaults to False.

salt.modules.gnomedesktop.setIdleDelay(delaySeconds, **kwargs)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' grains.delval key
salt.modules.grains.filter_by (lookup_dict, grain='os_family', merge=None, default='default')
New in version 0.17.0.
```

Look up the given grain in a given dictionary for the current OS and return the result

Although this may occasionally be useful at the CLI, the primary intent of this function is for use in Jinja to make short work of creating lookup tables for OS-specific data. For example:

```
{% set apache = salt['grains.filter_by']({
    'Debian': {'pkg': 'apache2', 'srv': 'apache2'},
    'RedHat': {'pkg': 'httpd', 'srv': 'httpd'},
    'default': 'Debian',
}) %}

myapache:
   pkg:
    - installed
   - name: {{ apache.pkg }}
service:
    - running
    - name: {{ apache.srv }}
```

Values in the lookup table may be overridden by values in Pillar. An example Pillar to override values in the example above could be as follows:

```
apache:
  lookup:
   pkg: apache_13
   srv: apache
```

The call to filter_by () would be modified as follows to reference those Pillar values:

Parameters

- lookup_dict A dictionary, keyed by a grain, containing a value or values relevant to systems matching that grain. For example, a key could be the grain for an OS and the value could the name of a package on that particular OS.
- grain The name of a grain to match with the current system's grains. For example, the value of the "os_family" grain for the current system could be used to pull values from the lookup_dict dictionary.
- merge A dictionary to merge with the lookup_dict before doing the lookup. This allows Pillar to override the values in the lookup_dict. This could be useful, for example, to override the values for non-standard package names such as when using a different Python version from the default Python version provided by the OS (e.g., python26-mysql instead of python-mysql).
- **default** default lookup_dict's key used if the grain does not exists or if the grain value has no match on lookup_dict.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' grains.filter_by '{Debian: Debheads rule, RedHat: I love my hat}'
# this one will render {D: {E: I, G: H}, J: K}
salt '*' grains.filter_by '{A: B, C: {D: {E: F,G: H}}}' 'xxx' '{D: {E: I},J: K}' 'C'
salt.modules.grains.get (key, default='')
```

Attempt to retrieve the named value from grains, if the named value is not available return the passed default. The default return is an empty string.

The value can also represent a value in a nested dict using a ":" delimiter for the dict. This means that if a dict in grains looks like this:

```
{'pkg': {'apache': 'httpd'}}
```

To retrieve the value associated with the apache key in the pkg dict this key can be passed:

pkg:apache

```
salt '*' grains.get pkg:apache
```

```
salt.modules.grains.get_or_set_hash (name, length=8, chars='abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz0123456789!@#$\%^&*(-
                                               =+)')
     Perform a one-time generation of a hash and write it to the local grains. If that grain has already been set return
     the value instead.
     This is useful for generating passwords or keys that are specific to a single minion that don't need to be stored
     somewhere centrally.
     State Example:
     some_mysql_user:
       mysql_user:
          - present
          - host: localhost
          - password: {{ grains.get_or_set_hash('mysql:some_mysql_user') }}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.get_or_set_hash 'django:SECRET_KEY' 50
salt.modules.grains.has_value(key)
     Determine whether a named value exists in the grains dictionary.
     Given a grains dictionary that contains the following structure:
     {'pkg': {'apache': 'httpd'}}
     One would determine if the apache key in the pkg dict exists by:
     pkg:apache
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.has_value pkg:apache
salt.modules.grains.item(*args, **kwargs)
     Return one or more grains
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.item os
     salt '*' grains.item os osrelease oscodename
     Sanitized CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.item host sanitize=True
salt.modules.grains.items(sanitize=False)
     Return all of the minion's grains
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.items
     Sanitized CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.items sanitize=True
```

Return a list of all available grains

salt.modules.grains.ls()

```
salt '*' grains.ls
salt.modules.grains.remove(key, val)
     New in version 0.17.0.
     Remove a value from a list in the grains config file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.remove key val
salt.modules.grains.setval(key, val, destructive=False)
     Set a grains value in the grains config file
         Parameters Destructive – If an operation results in a key being removed, delete the key, too. De-
             faults to False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' grains.setval key val
     salt '*' grains.setval key "{'sub-key': 'val', 'sub-key2': 'val2'}"
20.16.61 salt.modules.groupadd
Manage groups on Linux and OpenBSD
salt.modules.groupadd.add(name, gid=None, system=False)
     Add the specified group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.add foo 3456
salt.modules.groupadd.adduser(name, username)
     Add a user in the group.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.adduser foo bar
     Verifies if a valid username 'bar' as a member of an existing group 'foo', if not then adds it.
salt.modules.groupadd.chgid(name, gid)
     Change the gid for a named group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.groupadd.delete(name)
     Remove the named group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.delete foo
salt.modules.groupadd.deluser(name, username)
     Remove a user from the group.
     CLI Example:
```

```
Removes a member user 'bar' from a group 'foo'. If group is not present then returns True.

salt.modules.groupadd.getent (refresh=False)
Return info on all groups
CLI Example:
salt '*' group.getent

salt.modules.groupadd.info(name)
Return information about a group
CLI Example:
salt '*' group.info foo

salt.modules.groupadd.members(name, members_list)
Replaces members of the group with a provided list.
CLI Example:
salt '*' group.members foo 'user1,user2,user3,...'
```

Replaces a membership list for a local group 'foo'. foo:x:1234:user1,user2,user3,...

20.16.62 salt.modules.grub_legacy

```
Support for GRUB Legacy
salt.modules.grub_legacy.conf()
    Parse GRUB conf file
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' grub.conf

salt.modules.grub_legacy.version()
    Return server version from grub -version
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' grub.version
```

20.16.63 salt.modules.guestfs

Interact with virtual machine images via libguestfs

depends

· libguestfs

```
salt.modules.guestfs.mount (location, access='rw')
    Mount an image
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' guest.mount /srv/images/fedora.qcow
```

20.16.64 salt.modules.hadoop

```
Support for hadoop
     maintainer Yann Jouanin < yann.jouanin@intelunix.fr>
     maturity new
     depends
     platform linux
salt.modules.hadoop.dfs(command=None, *args)
     Execute a command on DFS
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hadoop.dfs ls /
salt.modules.hadoop.dfs_absent (path)
     Check if a file or directory is absent on the distributed FS.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hadoop.dfs_absent /some_random_file
     Returns True if the file is absent
salt.modules.hadoop.dfs_present (path)
     Check if a file or directory is present on the distributed FS.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hadoop.dfs_present /some_random_file
     Returns True if the file is present
salt.modules.hadoop.namenode_format (force=None)
     Format a name node
     salt '*' hadoop.namenode_format force=True
salt.modules.hadoop.version()
     Return version from hadoop version
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hadoop.version
```

20.16.65 salt.modules.hg

rev: tip The revision to create an archive from

```
Support for the Mercurial SCM
salt.modules.hg.archive(cwd, output, rev='tip', fmt=None, prefix=None, user=None)
Export a tarball from the repository
cwd The path to the Mercurial repository
output The path to the archive tarball
```

fmt: None Format of the resulting archive. Mercurial supports: tar, tbz2, tgz, zip, uzip, and files formats.

```
prefix [None] Prepend prefix>/ to every filename in the archive
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
     If prefix is not specified it defaults to the basename of the repo directory.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hg.archive /path/to/repo output=/tmp/archive.tgz fmt=tgz
salt.modules.hg.clone(cwd, repository, opts=None, user=None)
     Clone a new repository
     cwd The path to the Mercurial repository
     repository The hg URI of the repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hg.clone /path/to/repo https://bitbucket.org/birkenfeld/sphinx
salt.modules.hg.describe(cwd, rev='tip', user=None)
     Mimick git describe and return an identifier for the given revision
     cwd The path to the Mercurial repository
     rev: tip The path to the archive tarball
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hg.describe /path/to/repo
salt.modules.hg.pull(cwd, opts=None, user=None)
     Perform a pull on the given repository
     cwd The path to the Mercurial repository
     opts [None] Any additional options to add to the command line
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hq.pull /path/to/repo opts=-u
salt.modules.hg.revision(cwd, rev='tip', short=False, user=None)
     Returns the long hash of a given identifier (hash, branch, tag, HEAD, etc)
     cwd The path to the Mercurial repository
     rev: tip The revision
     short: False Return an abbreviated commit hash
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hg.revision /path/to/repo mybranch
salt.modules.hg.update(cwd, rev, force=False, user=None)
     Update to a given revision
```

```
cwd The path to the Mercurial repository
     rev The revision to update to
     force [False] Force an update
     user [None] Run hg as a user other than what the minion runs as
     CLI Example:
     salt devserver1 hg.update /path/to/repo somebranch
20.16.66 salt.modules.hosts
Manage the information in the hosts file
salt.modules.hosts.add_host(ip, alias)
     Add a host to an existing entry, if the entry is not in place then create it with the given host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hosts.add_host <ip> <alias>
salt.modules.hosts.get_alias(ip)
     Return the list of aliases associated with an ip
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hosts.get_alias <ip addr>
salt.modules.hosts.get_ip(host)
     Return the ip associated with the named host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hosts.get_ip <hostname>
salt.modules.hosts.has_pair(ip, alias)
     Return true if the alias is set
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' hosts.has_pair <ip> <alias>
salt.modules.hosts.list_hosts()
     Return the hosts found in the hosts file in this format:
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' hosts.list_hosts
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.hosts.rm_host| (ip, alias)$

Remove a host entry from the hosts file

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' hosts.rm_host <ip> <alias>
```

{'<ip addr>': ['alias1', 'alias2', ...]}

```
salt.modules.hosts.set host(ip, alias)
```

Set the host entry in the hosts file for the given ip, this will overwrite any previous entry for the given ip

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' hosts.set_host <ip> <alias>
```

20.16.67 salt.modules.htpasswd

Support for htpasswd command

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

The functions here will load inside the webutil module. This allows other functions that don't use htpasswd to use the webutil module name.

```
salt.modules.htpasswd.useradd(pwfile, user, password, opts='')
```

Add an HTTP user using the htpasswd command. If the htpasswd file does not exist, it will be created. Valid options that can be passed are:

n Don't update file; display results on stdout. m Force MD5 encryption of the password (default). d Force CRYPT encryption of the password. p Do not encrypt the password (plaintext). s Force SHA encryption of the password.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' webutil.useradd /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry badpassword
salt '*' webutil.useradd /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry badpass opts=ns
```

```
salt.modules.htpasswd.useradd_all (pwfile, user, password, opts='')
```

Add an HTTP user using the htpasswd command. If the htpasswd file does not exist, it will be created. Valid options that can be passed are:

n Don't update file; display results on stdout. m Force MD5 encryption of the password (default). d Force CRYPT encryption of the password. p Do not encrypt the password (plaintext). s Force SHA encryption of the password.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' webutil.useradd /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry badpassword
salt '*' webutil.useradd /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry badpass opts=ns
```

salt.modules.htpasswd.userdel(pwfile, user)

Delete an HTTP user from the specified htpasswd file.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' webutil.userdel /etc/httpd/htpasswd larry
```

20.16.68 salt.modules.img

Virtual machine image management tools

```
salt.modules.img.bootstrap(location, size, fmt)
```

HIGHLY EXPERIMENTAL Bootstrap a virtual machine image

location: The location to create the image

size: The size of the image to create in megabytes

```
fmt: The image format, raw or qcow2
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' img.bootstrap /srv/salt-images/host.qcow 4096 qcow2
salt.modules.img.mount_image(location)
     Mount the named image and return the mount point
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' img.mount_image /tmp/foo
salt.modules.img.umount_image(mnt)
     Unmount an image mountpoint
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' img.umount_image /mnt/foo
20.16.69 salt.modules.incron
Work with incron
salt.modules.incron.list_tab(user)
     Return the contents of the specified user's incrontab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.list_tab root
salt.modules.incron.ls(user)
     Return the contents of the specified user's incrontab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.list_tab root
salt.modules.incron.raw_incron(user)
     Return the contents of the user's incrontab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.raw_cron root
salt.modules.incron.raw_system_incron()
     Return the contents of the system wide incrontab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.raw_system_cron
salt.modules.incron.rm(user, path, mask, cmd)
     Remove a cron job for a specified user. If any of the day/time params are specified, the job will only be removed
     if the specified params match.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.rm_job root /path
```

```
salt.modules.incron.rm_job (user, path, mask, cmd)
     Remove a cron job for a specified user. If any of the day/time params are specified, the job will only be removed
     if the specified params match.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.rm_job root /path
salt.modules.incron.set_job(user, path, mask, cmd)
     Sets a cron job up for a specified user.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.set_job root '/root' 'IN_MODIFY' 'echo "$$ $@ $# $% $&"'
salt.modules.incron.write_cron_file_verbose(user, path)
     Writes the contents of a file to a user's crontab and return error message on error
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.write_incron_file_verbose root /tmp/new_cron
salt.modules.incron.write_incron_file (user, path)
     Writes the contents of a file to a user's crontab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' incron.write_cron_file root /tmp/new_cron
20.16.70 salt.modules.ini_manage
Edit ini files
     maintainer <ageeleshwar.kandavelu@csscorp.com>
     maturity new
     depends re
     platform all
Use section as DEFAULT_IMPLICIT if your ini file does not have any section (for example /etc/sysctl.conf)
salt.modules.ini_manage.get_option(file_name, section, option)
     Get value of a key from a section in an ini file. Returns None if no matching key was found.
     API Example:
     import salt
     sc = salt.client.get_local_client()
     sc.cmd('target', 'ini.get_option',
             [path_to_ini_file, section_name, option])
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ini.get_option /path/to/ini section_name option_name
salt.modules.ini_manage.get_section (file_name, section)
     Retrieve a section from an ini file. Returns the section as dictionary. If the section is not found, an empty
     dictionary is returned.
     API Example:
```

```
import salt
     sc = salt.client.get_local_client()
     sc.cmd('target', 'ini.get_section',
             [path_to_ini_file, section_name])
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ini.get_section /path/to/ini section_name
salt.modules.ini_manage.remove_option (file_name, section, option)
     Remove a key/value pair from a section in an ini file. Returns the value of the removed key, or None if nothing
     was removed.
     API Example:
     import salt
     sc = salt.client.get_local_client()
     sc.cmd('target', 'ini.remove_option',
             [path_to_ini_file, section_name, option])
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ini.remove_option /path/to/ini section_name option_name
salt.modules.ini_manage.remove_section (file_name, section)
     Remove a section in an ini file. Returns the removed section as dictionary, or None if nothing was removed.
     API Example:
     import salt
     sc = salt.client.get_local_client()
     sc.cmd('target', 'ini.remove_section',
             [path_to_ini_file, section_name])
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ini.remove_section /path/to/ini section_name
salt.modules.ini_manage.set_option (file_name, sections=None, summary=True)
     Edit an ini file, replacing one or more sections. Returns a dictionary containing the changes made.
     file_name path of ini_file
     sections [None] A dictionary representing the sections to be edited ini file
     Set summary=False if return data need not have previous option value
     API Example:
     import salt
     sc = salt.client.get_local_client()
     sc.cmd('target', 'ini.set_option',
             ['path_to_ini_file', '{"section_to_change": {"key": "value"}}'])
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ini.set_option /path/to/ini '{section_foo: {key: value}}'
```

20.16.71 salt.modules.iptables

Support for iptables

```
salt.modules.iptables.append(table='filter', chain=None, rule=None, family='ipv4')
Append a rule to the specified table/chain.
```

This function accepts a rule in a standard iptables command format, starting with the chain. Trying to force users to adapt to a new method of creating rules would be irritating at best, and we already have a parser that can handle it.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' iptables.append filter INPUT \
    rule='-m state --state RELATED, ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT'

IPv6:
salt '*' iptables.append filter INPUT \
    rule='-m state --state RELATED, ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT' \
    family=ipv6
```

Build a well-formatted iptables rule based on kwargs. Long options must be used (*-jump* instead of *-j*) because they will have the – added to them. A *table* and *chain* are not required, unless *full* is True.

If *full* is *True*, then *table*, *chain* and *command* are required. *command* may be specified as either a short option ('I') or a long option (*-insert*). This will return the iptables command, exactly as it would be used from the command line.

If a position is required (as with -I or -D), it may be specified as position. This will only be useful if full is True.

If connstate is passed in, it will automatically be changed to state.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' iptables.build_rule match=state \
    connstate=RELATED, ESTABLISHED jump=ACCEPT
salt '*' iptables.build_rule filter INPUT command=I position=3 \
    full=True match=state state=RELATED, ESTABLISHED jump=ACCEPT

IPv6:
salt '*' iptables.build_rule match=state \
    connstate=RELATED, ESTABLISHED jump=ACCEPT \
    family=ipv6
salt '*' iptables.build_rule filter INPUT command=I position=3 \
    full=True match=state state=RELATED, ESTABLISHED jump=ACCEPT \
    family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.check(table='filter', chain=None, rule=None, family='ipv4')
```

Check for the existence of a rule in the table and chain

This function accepts a rule in a standard iptables command format, starting with the chain. Trying to force users to adapt to a new method of creating rules would be irritating at best, and we already have a parser that can handle it.

```
salt '*' iptables.check filter INPUT \
    rule='-m state --state RELATED,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT'

IPv6:
salt '*' iptables.check filter INPUT \
    rule='-m state --state RELATED,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT' \
    family=ipv6
```

```
salt.modules.iptables.check_chain (table='filter', chain=None, family='ipv4') New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Check for the existence of a chain in the table

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' iptables.check_chain filter INPUT

IPv6:
salt '*' iptables.check_chain filter INPUT family=ipv6
```

salt.modules.iptables.delete(table, chain=None, position=None, rule=None, family='ipv4')

Delete a rule from the specified table/chain, specifying either the rule in its entirety, or the rule's position in the chain.

This function accepts a rule in a standard iptables command format, starting with the chain. Trying to force users to adapt to a new method of creating rules would be irritating at best, and we already have a parser that can handle it.

CLI Examples:

Delete custom chain to the specified table.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' iptables.delete_chain filter CUSTOM_CHAIN

IPv6:
salt '*' iptables.delete_chain filter CUSTOM_CHAIN family=ipv6
```

salt.modules.iptables.flush(table='filter', chain='', family='ipv4')

Flush the chain in the specified table, flush all chains in the specified table if not specified chain.

```
salt '*' iptables.flush filter INPUT

IPv6:
    salt '*' iptables.flush filter INPUT family=ipv6

salt.modules.iptables.get_policy(table='filter', chain=None, family='ipv4')
    Return the current policy for the specified table/chain

CLI Example:
    salt '*' iptables.get_policy filter INPUT
```

```
IPv6:
     salt '*' iptables.get_policy filter INPUT family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.get_rules(family='ipv4')
     Return a data structure of the current, in-memory rules
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' iptables.get_rules
     TP176.
     salt '*' iptables.get_rules family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.get_saved_policy(table='filter', chain=None, conf_file=None, fam-
                                                ily='ipv4'
     Return the current policy for the specified table/chain
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' iptables.get saved policy filter INPUT
     salt '*' iptables.get_saved_policy filter INPUT \
         conf_file=/etc/iptables.saved
     TPv6:
     salt '*' iptables.get_saved_policy filter INPUT family=ipv6
     salt '*' iptables.get_saved_policy filter INPUT \
         conf_file=/etc/iptables.saved family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.get_saved_rules(conf_file=None, family='ipv4')
     Return a data structure of the rules in the conf file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' iptables.get_saved_rules
     salt '*' iptables.get_saved_rules family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.insert(table='filter', chain=None, position=None, rule=None, fam-
                                   ilv='ipv4'
     Insert a rule into the specified table/chain, at the specified position.
```

This function accepts a rule in a standard iptables command format, starting with the chain. Trying to force users to adapt to a new method of creating rules would be irritating at best, and we already have a parser that can handle it.

If the position specified is a negative number, then the insert will be performed counting from the end of the list. For instance, a position of -1 will insert the rule as the second to last rule. To insert a rule in the last position, use the append function instead.

```
salt '*' iptables.insert filter INPUT position=3 \
    rule='-m state --state RELATED, ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT'

IPv6:
salt '*' iptables.insert filter INPUT position=3 \
    rule='-m state --state RELATED, ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT' \
    family=ipv6
```

```
salt.modules.iptables.new_chain(table='filter', chain=None, family='ipv4')
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Create new custom chain to the specified table.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' iptables.new_chain filter CUSTOM_CHAIN
     salt '*' iptables.new_chain filter CUSTOM_CHAIN family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.save(filename=None, family='ipv4')
     Save the current in-memory rules to disk
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' iptables.save /etc/sysconfig/iptables
     salt '*' iptables.save /etc/sysconfig/iptables family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.set_policy (table='filter', chain=None, policy=None, family='ipv4')
     Set the current policy for the specified table/chain
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' iptables.set_policy filter INPUT ACCEPT
     salt '*' iptables.set_policy filter INPUT ACCEPT family=ipv6
salt.modules.iptables.version(family='ipv4')
     Return version from iptables -version
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' iptables.version
     salt '*' iptables.version family=ipv6
20.16.72 salt.modules.junos
Module for interfacing to Junos devices
ALPHA QUALITY code.
salt.modules.junos.commit()
salt.modules.junos.diff()
salt.modules.junos.facts refresh()
     Reload the facts dictionary from the device. Usually only needed if the device configuration is changed by some
     other actor.
salt.modules.junos.ping()
salt.modules.junos.rollback()
salt.modules.junos.set_hostname(hostname=None, commit_change=True)
```

20.16.73 salt.modules.key

```
Functions to view the minion's public key information
```

```
salt.modules.key.finger()
    Return the minion's public key fingerprint
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' key.finger
```

20.16.74 salt.modules.keyboard

Module for managing keyboards on supported POSIX-like systems such as Arch, Redhat, Debian, and Gentoo systems.

```
salt.modules.keyboard.get_sys()
     Get current system keyboard setting
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keyboard.get_sys
salt.modules.keyboard.get_x()
     Get current X keyboard setting
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keyboard.get_x
salt.modules.keyboard.set_sys(layout)
     Set current system keyboard setting
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keyboard.set_sys dvorak
salt.modules.keyboard.set_x (layout)
     Set current X keyboard setting
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keyboard.set_x dvorak
```

20.16.75 salt.modules.keystone

Module for handling openstack keystone calls.

optdepends

• keystoneclient Python adapter

configuration This module is not usable until the following are specified either in a pillar or in the minion's config file:

```
keystone.user: admin
keystone.password: verybadpass
keystone.tenant: admin
keystone.tenant_id: f80919baedab48ec8931f200c65a50df
keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
```

```
OR (for token based authentication)
         keystone.token: 'ADMIN'
         keystone.endpoint: 'http://127.0.0.1:35357/v2.0'
         If configuration for multiple openstack accounts is required, they can be set up as different configu-
         ration profiles: For example:
         openstack1:
           keystone.user: admin
           keystone.password: verybadpass
           keystone.tenant: admin
           keystone.tenant_id: f80919baedab48ec8931f200c65a50df
           keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
         openstack2:
           keystone.user: admin
           keystone.password: verybadpass
           keystone.tenant: admin
           keystone.tenant_id: f80919baedab48ec8931f200c65a50df
           keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.2:5000/v2.0/'
         With this configuration in place, any of the keystone functions can make use of a configuration
         profile by declaring it explicitly. For example:
         salt '*' keystone.tenant_list profile=openstack1
salt.modules.keystone.auth(profile=None, **connection_args)
     Set up keystone credentials
     Only intended to be used within Keystone-enabled modules
salt.modules.keystone.ec2_credentials_create(user_id=None,
                                                                        name=None,
                                                                                        ten-
                                                       ant_id=None, tenant=None, profile=None,
                                                       **connection_args)
     Create EC2-compatibile credentials for user per tenant
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_create name=admin tenant=admin
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_create
                                                              user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
salt.modules.keystone.ec2_credentials_delete(user_id=None,
                                                                        name=None.
                                                                                        ac-
                                                       cess_key=None, profile=None,
                                                                                     **con-
                                                       nection_args)
     Delete EC2-compatibile credentials
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_delete
                                                               860f8c2c38ca4fab989f9bc56a061a64
         access_key=5f66d2f24f604b8bb9cd28886106f442
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_delete name=admin
                                                                           access_key=5f66d2f24f604b8bb9cd2
salt.modules.keystone.ec2_credentials_get(user_id=None, name=None, access=None, pro-
                                                   file=None, **connection args)
     Return ec2_credentials for a user (keystone ec2-credentials-get)
     CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_get c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 access=722787eb5408491586
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_get user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 access=722787eb54
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_get name=nova access=722787eb540849158668370dc627ec5f
salt.modules.keystone.ec2_credentials_list(user_id=None, name=None, profile=None,
                                                    **connection args)
     Return a list of ec2_credentials for a specific user (keystone ec2-credentials-list)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_list 298ce377245c4ec9b70e1c639c89e654
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_list user_id=298ce377245c4ec9b70e1c639c89e654
     salt '*' keystone.ec2_credentials_list name=jack
salt.modules.keystone.endpoint_create(service, publicurl=None, internalurl=None, admin-
                                             url=None, region=None, profile=None, **connec-
                                              tion_args)
     Create an endpoint for an Openstack service
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.endpoint_create nova 'http://public/url'
         'http://internal/url' 'http://adminurl/url' region
salt.modules.keystone.endpoint_delete(service, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Delete endpoints of an Openstack service
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.endpoint_delete nova
salt.modules.keystone.endpoint_get(service, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return a specific endpoint (keystone endpoint-get)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.endpoint_get nova
salt.modules.keystone.endpoint list(profile=None, **connection args)
     Return a list of available endpoints (keystone endpoints-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.endpoint_list
salt.modules.keystone.role_create (name, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Create named role
     salt '*' keystone.role_create admin
salt.modules.keystone.role_delete(role_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connec-
                                         tion_args)
     Delete a role (keystone role-delete)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.role_delete c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.role_delete role_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.role_delete name=admin
salt.modules.keystone.role qet (role id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connection args)
     Return a specific roles (keystone role-get)
```

```
CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.role_get c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.role_get role_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.role_get name=nova
salt.modules.keystone.role_list(profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return a list of available roles (keystone role-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.role_list
salt.modules.keystone.service_create(name, service_type, description=None, profile=None,
                                             **connection args)
     Add service to Keystone service catalog
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.service_create nova compute
                                                                         'OpenStack Compute Service'
salt.modules.keystone.service_delete(service_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **con-
                                             nection_args)
     Delete a service from Keystone service catalog
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.service_delete c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.service_delete name=nova
salt.modules.keystone.service_get(service_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connec-
                                         tion_args)
     Return a specific services (keystone service-get)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.service_qet c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.service_get service_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.service_get name=nova
salt.modules.keystone.service_list(profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return a list of available services (keystone services-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.service_list
salt.modules.keystone.tenant_create(name, description=None, enabled=True, profile=None,
                                            **connection args)
     Create a keystone tenant
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_create nova description='nova tenant'
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_create test enabled=False
salt.modules.keystone.tenant_delete(tenant_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connec-
                                           tion_args)
     Delete a tenant (keystone tenant-delete)
     CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' keystone.tenant_delete c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_delete tenant_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_delete name=demo
salt.modules.keystone.tenant_get(tenant_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connec-
                                        tion args)
     Return a specific tenants (keystone tenant-get)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_get c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_get tenant_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_get name=nova
salt.modules.keystone.tenant_list(profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return a list of available tenants (keystone tenants-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_list
salt.modules.keystone.tenant_update(tenant_id=None, name=None,
                                                                         email=None,
                                                                                       en-
                                           abled=None, profile=None, **connection args)
     Update a tenant's information (keystone tenant-update) The following fields may be updated: name, email,
     enabled. Can only update name if targeting by ID
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_update name=admin enabled=True
     salt '*' keystone.tenant_update c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 name=admin email=admin@domain.c
salt.modules.keystone.token_qet (profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return the configured tokens (keystone token-get)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.token_get c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
salt.modules.keystone.user create (name, password, email, tenant id=None, enabled=True,
                                         profile=None, **connection_args)
     Create a user (keystone user-create)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_create name=jack password=zero email=jack@halloweentown.org tenant_id=a28
salt.modules.keystone.user_delete(user_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connec-
                                         tion_args)
     Delete a user (keystone user-delete)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_delete c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.user_delete user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.user_delete name=nova
salt.modules.keystone.user_get (user_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return a specific users (keystone user-get)
     CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' keystone.user_get c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.user_get user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082
     salt '*' keystone.user_get name=nova
salt.modules.keystone.user_list (profile=None, **connection_args)
     Return a list of available users (keystone user-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' keystone.user_list
salt.modules.keystone.user_password_update(user_id=None, name=None, password=None,
                                                    profile=None, **connection_args)
     Update a user's password (keystone user-password-update)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_delete c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 password=12345
     salt '*' keystone.user_delete user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 password=12345
     salt '*' keystone.user_delete name=nova password=12345
salt.modules.keystone.user_role_add(user_id=None, user=None, tenant_id=None, ten-
                                           ant=None, role_id=None, role=None, profile=None,
                                            **connection_args)
     Add role for user in tenant (keystone user-role-add)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_role_add
                                                    user_id=298ce377245c4ec9b70e1c639c89e654
     salt '*' keystone.user_role_add user=admin tenant=admin role=admin
salt.modules.keystone.user_role_list(user_id=None, tenant_id=None, user_name=None,
                                            tenant_name=None,
                                                                 profile=None,
                                                                                 **connec-
                                             tion_args)
     Return a list of available user_roles (keystone user-roles-list)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_role_list
                                                     user_id=298ce377245c4ec9b70e1c639c89e654
     salt '*' keystone.user_role_list user_name=admin tenant_name=admin
salt.modules.keystone.user_role_remove(user_id=None, user=None, tenant_id=None, ten-
                                               ant=None, role_id=None, role=None, profile=None,
                                               **connection args)
     Remove role for user in tenant (keystone user-role-remove)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_role_remove
                                                        user_id=298ce377245c4ec9b70e1c639c89e654
     salt '*' keystone.user_role_remove user=admin tenant=admin role=admin
salt.modules.keystone.user_update(user_id=None, name=None, email=None, enabled=None,
                                         tenant=None, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Update a user's information (keystone user-update) The following fields may be updated: name, email, enabled,
     tenant. Because the name is one of the fields, a valid user id is required.
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_update user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 name=newname
     salt '*' keystone.user_update c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 name=newname email=newemail@domai
```

```
salt.modules.keystone.user_verify_password(user_id=None, name=None, password=None,
                                                     profile=None, **connection args)
     Verify a user's password
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' keystone.user_verify_password name=test password=foobar
     salt '*' keystone.user_verify_password_user_id=c965f79c4f864eaaa9c3b41904e67082 password=foobar
20.16.76 salt.modules.kmod
Module to manage Linux kernel modules
salt.modules.kmod.available()
     Return a list of all available kernel modules
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.available
salt.modules.kmod.check_available (mod)
     Check to see if the specified kernel module is available
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.check_available kvm
salt.modules.kmod.is_loaded(mod)
     Check to see if the specified kernel module is loaded
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.is_loaded kvm
salt.modules.kmod.load(mod, persist=False)
     Load the specified kernel module
     mod Name of module to add
     persist Write module to /etc/modules to make it load on system reboot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.load kvm
salt.modules.kmod.lsmod()
     Return a dict containing information about currently loaded modules
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.lsmod
salt.modules.kmod.mod_list(only_persist=False)
     Return a list of the loaded module names
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' kmod.mod_list
salt.modules.kmod.remove (mod, persist=False, comment=True)
     Remove the specified kernel module
     mod Name of module to remove
```

```
persist Also remove module from /etc/modules
```

comment If persist is set don't remove line from /etc/modules but only comment it

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' kmod.remove kvm
```

20.16.77 salt.modules.launchctl

Module for the management of MacOS systems that use launchd/launchctl

depends

• plistlib Python module

```
\verb|salt.modules.launchctl.available| (job\_label)
```

Check that the given service is available.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' service.available com.openssh.sshd
```

```
salt.modules.launchctl.get_all()
```

Return all installed services

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.get_all
```

```
salt.modules.launchctl.missing(job_label)
```

The inverse of service available Check that the given service is not available.

CLI Example:

```
salt '\star' service.missing com.openssh.sshd
```

```
salt.modules.launchctl.restart(job_label, runas=None)
```

Restart the named service

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.restart <service label>
```

salt.modules.launchctl.start(job_label, runas=None)

Start the specified service

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.start <service label>
salt '*' service.start org.ntp.ntpd
salt '*' service.start /System/Library/LaunchDaemons/org.ntp.ntpd.plist
```

salt.modules.launchctl.status(job_label, runas=None)

Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.status <service label>
```

```
salt.modules.launchctl.stop(job_label, runas=None)
```

Stop the specified service

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' service.stop <service label>
salt '*' service.stop org.ntp.ntpd
salt '*' service.stop /System/Library/LaunchDaemons/org.ntp.ntpd.plist
```

20.16.78 salt.modules.layman

Support for Layman

```
salt.modules.layman.add(overlay)
```

Add the given overlay from the caced remote list to your locally installed overlays. Specify 'ALL' to add all overlays from the remote list.

Return a list of the new overlay(s) added:

salt.modules.layman.delete(overlay)

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' layman.add <overlay name>
```

Remove the given overlay from the your locally installed overlays. Specify 'ALL' to remove all overlays.

Return a list of the overlays(s) that were removed:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' layman.delete <overlay name>
salt.modules.layman.list_local()
    List the locally installed overlays.
```

List the locally histarica overlays.

Return a list of installed overlays:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' layman.list_local
salt.modules.layman.sync(overlay='ALL')
```

Update the specified overlay. Use 'ALL' to synchronize all overlays. This is the default if no overlay is specified.

overlay Name of the overlay to sync. (Defaults to 'ALL')

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' layman.sync
```

20.16.79 salt.modules.ldapmod

Salt interface to LDAP commands

depends

· Idap Python module

configuration In order to connect to LDAP, certain configuration is required in the minion config on the LDAP server. The minimum configuration items that must be set are:

```
ldap.basedn: dc=acme,dc=com (example values, adjust to suit)
```

If your LDAP server requires authentication then you must also set:

```
ldap.binddn: admin
ldap.bindpw: password
```

In addition, the following optional values may be set:

```
ldap.server: localhost (default=localhost, see warning below)
ldap.port: 389 (default=389, standard port)
ldap.tls: False (default=False, no TLS)
ldap.scope: 2 (default=2, ldap.SCOPE_SUBTREE)
ldap.attrs: [saltAttr] (default=None, return all attributes)
```

Warning: At the moment this module only recommends connection to LDAP services listening on localhost. This is deliberate to avoid the potentially dangerous situation of multiple minions sending identical update commands to the same LDAP server. It's easy enough to override this behaviour, but badness may ensue - you have been warned.

Search and connection options can be overridden by specifying the relevant option as key=value pairs, for example:

'saltState': ['foo', 'bar']}]],

```
salt 'ldaphost' ldap.search filter=cn=myhost dn=ou=hosts,o=acme,c=gb
scope=1 attrs='' server='localhost' port='7393' tls=True bindpw='ssh'
```

'time': {'human': '1.2ms', 'raw': '0.00123'}}}

20.16.80 salt.modules.linux_acl

Support for Linux File Access Control Lists

```
salt.modules.linux_acl.delfacl(acl_type, acl_name, *args)
Remove specific FACL from the specified file(s)
```

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' acl.delfacl user myuser /tmp/house/kitchen
salt '*' acl.delfacl default:group mygroup /tmp/house/kitchen
salt '*' acl.delfacl d:u myuser /tmp/house/kitchen
salt '*' acl.delfacl g myuser /tmp/house/kitchen /tmp/house/livingroom
salt.modules.linux_acl.getfacl(*args)
Return (extremely verbose) map of FACLs on specified file(s)
```

```
salt '*' acl.getfacl /tmp/house/kitchen
    salt '*' acl.getfacl /tmp/house/kitchen /tmp/house/livingroom
salt.modules.linux_acl.modfacl(acl_type, acl_name, perms, *args)
    Add or modify a FACL for the specified file(s)
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' acl.addfacl user myuser rwx /tmp/house/kitchen
    salt '\star' acl.addfacl default:group mygroup rx /tmp/house/kitchen
    salt '*' acl.addfacl d:u myuser 7 /tmp/house/kitchen
    salt '*' acl.addfacl g mygroup 0 /tmp/house/kitchen /tmp/house/livingroom
salt.modules.linux acl.version()
    Return facl version from getfacl -version
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' acl.version
salt.modules.linux_acl.wipefacls(*args)
    Remove all FACLs from the specified file(s)
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' acl.wipefacls /tmp/house/kitchen
    salt '*' acl.wipefacls /tmp/house/kitchen /tmp/house/livingroom
20.16.81 salt.modules.linux lvm
Support for Linux LVM2
salt.modules.linux_lvm.fullversion()
    Return all version info from lvm version
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' lvm.fullversion
salt.modules.linux_lvm.lvcreate(lvname, vgname, size=None, extents=None, snapshot=None,
                                      pv='', **kwargs)
    Create a new logical volume, with option for which physical volume to be used
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' lvm.lvcreate new_volume_name vg_name size=10G
    salt '*' lvm.lvcreate new_volume_name vg_name extents=100 /dev/sdb
    salt '*' lvm.lvcreate new_snapshot vg_name snapshot=volume_name size=3G
salt.modules.linux_lvm.lvdisplay(lvname='')
    Return information about the logical volume(s)
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' lvm.lvdisplay
    salt '*' lvm.lvdisplay /dev/vg_myserver/root
salt.modules.linux_lvm.lvremove(lvname, vgname)
    Remove a given existing logical volume from a named existing volume group
    CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' lvm.lvremove lvname vgname force=True
salt.modules.linux_lvm.pvcreate(devices, **kwargs)
    Set a physical device to be used as an LVM physical volume
    CLI Examples:
    salt mymachine lvm.pvcreate /dev/sdb1,/dev/sdb2
    salt mymachine lvm.pvcreate /dev/sdb1 dataalignmentoffset=7s
salt.modules.linux_lvm.pvdisplay(pvname='')
    Return information about the physical volume(s)
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' lvm.pvdisplay
    salt '*' lvm.pvdisplay /dev/md0
salt.modules.linux_lvm.version()
    Return LVM version from lvm version
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' lvm.version
salt.modules.linux lvm.vgcreate(vgname, devices, **kwargs)
    Create an LVM volume group
    CLI Examples:
    salt mymachine lvm.vgcreate my_vg /dev/sdb1,/dev/sdb2
    salt mymachine lvm.vgcreate my_vg /dev/sdb1 clustered=y
salt.modules.linux lvm.vqdisplay(vgname='')
    Return information about the volume group(s)
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' lvm.vgdisplay
    salt '*' lvm.vgdisplay nova-volumes
salt.modules.linux_lvm.vgremove(vgname)
    Remove an LVM volume group
    CLI Examples:
    salt mymachine lvm.vgremove vgname
    salt mymachine lvm.vgremove vgname force=True
20.16.82 salt.modules.linux_sysctl
Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters
salt.modules.linux_sysctl.assign(name, value)
    Assign a single sysctl parameter for this minion
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' sysctl.assign net.ipv4.ip_forward 1
```

```
salt.modules.linux_sysctl.default_config()
     Linux hosts using systemd 207 or later ignore /etc/sysctl.conf and only load from
     /etc/sysctl.d/*.conf. This function will do the proper checks and return a default config file which
     will be valid for the Minion. Hosts running systemd >= 207 will use /etc/sysctl.d/99-salt.conf.
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'kernel:Linux' sysctl.default_config
salt.modules.linux_sysctl.get (name)
     Return a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.get net.ipv4.ip_forward
salt.modules.linux_sysctl.persist(name, value, config=None)
     Assign and persist a simple sysctl parameter for this minion. If config is not specified, a sensible default will
     be chosen using sysctl.default_config.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.persist net.ipv4.ip_forward 1
salt.modules.linux sysctl.show()
     Return a list of sysctl parameters for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.show
```

20.16.83 salt.modules.localemod

```
Module for managing locales on POSIX-like systems.
```

```
salt.modules.localemod.get_locale()
   Get the current system locale

   CLI Example:
   salt '*' locale.get_locale

salt.modules.localemod.list_avail()
   Lists available (compiled) locales

   CLI Example:
   salt '*' locale.list_avail

salt.modules.localemod.set_locale(locale)
   Sets the current system locale

   CLI Example:
   salt '*' locale.set_locale 'en_US.UTF-8'
```

20.16.84 salt.modules.locate

Module for using the locate utilities

```
salt.modules.locate.locate(pattern, database='', limit=0, **kwargs)
     Performs a file lookup. Valid options (and their defaults) are:
     basename=False
     count=False
     existing=False
     follow=True
     ignore=False
     nofollow=False
     wholename=True
     regex=False
     database=<locate's default database>
     limit=<integer, not set by default>
     See the manpage for locate (1) for further explanation of these options.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' locate.locate
salt.modules.locate.stats()
     Returns statistics about the locate database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' locate.stats
salt.modules.locate.updatedb()
     Updates the locate database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' locate.updatedb
salt.modules.locate.version()
     Returns the version of locate
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' locate.version
20.16.85 salt.modules.logrotate
Module for managing logrotate.
salt.modules.logrotate.set (key, value, setting=None, conf_file='/etc/logrotate.conf')
     Set a new value for a specific configuration line
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' logrotate.set rotate 2
     Can also be used to set a single value inside a multiline configuration block. For instance, to change rotate in
     the following block:
     /var/log/wtmp {
         monthly
         create 0664 root root
         rotate 1
     }
```

```
Use the following command:
```

```
salt '*' logrotate.set /var/log/wtmp rotate 2
```

This module also has the ability to scan files inside an include directory, and make changes in the appropriate file.

```
salt.modules.logrotate.show_conf (conf_file='/etc/logrotate.conf')
Show parsed configuration
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' logrotate.show_conf
```

20.16.86 salt.modules.lvs

```
Support for LVS (Linux Virtual Server)
```

Add a real server to a virtual service.

protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).

service_address The LVS service address.

server address The real server address.

packet_forward_method The LVS packet forwarding method(dr for direct routing, tunnel for tunneling, nat for network access translation).

weight The capacity of a server relative to the others in the pool.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' lvs.add_server tcp 1.1.1.1:80 192.168.0.11:8080 nat 1
```

```
salt.modules.lvs.add_service(protocol=None, service_address=None, scheduler='wlc')
Add a virtual service.
```

protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).

service address The LVS service address.

scheduler Algorithm for allocating TCP connections and UDP datagrams to real servers.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' lvs.add_service tcp 1.1.1.1:80 rr
```

Check the real server exists in the specified service.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' lvs.check_server tcp 1.1.1.1:80 192.168.0.11:8080
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.lvs.check_service|| (protocol=None, service_address=None, **kwargs)||$

Check the virtual service exists.

```
salt '*' lvs.check_service tcp 1.1.1.1:80
salt.modules.lvs.clear()
     Clear the virtual server table
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.clear
salt.modules.lvs.delete_server(protocol=None, service_address=None, server_address=None)
     Delete the realserver from the virtual service.
     protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).
     service address The LVS service address.
     server address The real server address.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.delete_server tcp 1.1.1.1:80 192.168.0.11:8080
salt.modules.lvs.delete_service(protocol=None, service_address=None)
     Delete the virtual service.
     protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).
     service_address The LVS service address.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.delete_service tcp 1.1.1.1:80
salt.modules.lvs.edit_server(protocol=None, service_address=None, server_address=None,
                                     packet_forward_method=None, weight=None, **kwargs)
     Edit a real server to a virtual service.
     protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).
     service address The LVS service address.
     server address. The real server address.
     packet forward method The LVS packet forwarding method(dr for direct routing, tunnel for tunneling,
          nat for network access translation).
     weight The capacity of a server relative to the others in the pool.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.edit_server tcp 1.1.1.1:80 192.168.0.11:8080 nat 1
salt.modules.lvs.edit_service(protocol=None, service_address=None, scheduler=None)
     Edit the virtual service.
     protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).
     service address The LVS service address.
     scheduler Algorithm for allocating TCP connections and UDP datagrams to real servers.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.edit_service tcp 1.1.1.1:80 rr
```

```
salt.modules.lvs.get rules()
     Get the virtual server rules
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.get_rules
salt.modules.lvs.list(protocol=None, service_address=None)
     List the virtual server table if service_address is not specified. If a service_address is selected, list this service
     only.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.list
salt.modules.lvs.zero(protocol=None, service_address=None)
     Zero the packet, byte and rate counters in a service or all services.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lvs.zero
20.16.87 salt.modules.lxc
Control Linux Containers via Salt
     depends 1xc package for distribution
You need lxc >= 1.0 (even beta alpha)
class salt.modules.lxc.LXCConfig(**kwargs)
     LXC configuration data
     as_string()
     pattern = <_sre.SRE_Pattern object at 0x65346e0>
     tempfile()
     write()
salt.modules.lxc.bootstrap(name, config=None, approve_key=True, install=True)
     Install and configure salt in a container.
     salt 'minion' lxc.bootstrap name [config=config_data] \
               [approve_key=(True|False)] [install=(True|False)]
     config Minion configuration options. By default, the master option is set to the target host's master.
     approve_key Request a pre-approval of the generated minion key. Requires that the salt-master be configured
          to either auto-accept all keys or expect a signing request from the target host. Default: True
     install Whether to attempt a full installation of salt-minion if needed.
salt.modules.lxc.clone (name, orig, snapshot=False, profile=None, **kwargs)
     Create a new container.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion' lxc.clone name orig [snapshot=(True|False)] \
               [size=filesystem_size] [vgname=volume_group] \
               [profile=profile_name]
```

```
name Name of the container.
     orig Name of the cloned original container
     snapshot Do we use Copy On Write snapshots (LVM)
     size Size of the container
     vgname LVM volume group(lxc)
     profile A LXC profile (defined in config or pillar).
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.clone myclone ubuntu "snapshot=True"
salt.modules.lxc.create(name, config=None, profile=None, options=None, **kwargs)
     Create a new container.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion' lxc.create name [config=config_file] \
               [profile=profile] [template=template_name] \
               [backing=backing_store] [vgname=volume_group] \
               [size=filesystem_size] [options=template_options]
     name Name of the container.
     config The config file to use for the container. Defaults to system-wide config (usually in /etc/lxc/lxc.conf).
     profile A LXC profile (defined in config or pillar).
     template The template to use. E.g., 'ubuntu' or 'fedora'.
     backing The type of storage to use. Set to 'lvm' to use an LVM group. Defaults to filesystem within
          /var/lib/lxc/.
     vgname Name of the LVM volume group in which to create the volume for this container. Only applicable if
          backing=lvm. Defaults to 'lxc'.
     fstype fstype to use on LVM lv.
     size Size of the volume to create. Only applicable if backing=lvm. Defaults to 1G.
     options Template specific options to pass to the lxc-create command.
salt.modules.lxc.destroy(name, stop=True)
     Destroy the named container. WARNING: Destroys all data associated with the container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.destroy name [stop=(True|False)]
salt.modules.lxc.exists(name)
     Returns whether the named container exists.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.exists name
salt.modules.lxc.freeze(name)
     Freeze the named container.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' lxc.freeze name
salt.modules.lxc.get_parameter(name, parameter)
     Returns the value of a cgroup parameter for a container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.get_parameter name parameter
salt.modules.lxc.info(name)
     Returns information about a container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.info name
salt.modules.lxc.init (name, cpuset=None, cpushare=None, memory=None, nic='default', pro-
                             file=None, nic opts=None, **kwargs)
     Initialize a new container.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion' lxc.init name [cpuset=cgroups_cpuset] \
               [cpushare=cgroups_cpushare] [memory=cgroups_memory] \
               [nic=nic_profile] [profile=lxc_profile] \
               [nic_opts=nic_opts] [start=(True|False)] \
               [seed=(True|False)] [install=(True|False)] \
               [config=minion_config] [approve_key=(True|False) \
               [clone=original]
     name Name of the container.
     cpuset cgroups cpuset.
     cpushare cgroups cpu shares.
     memory cgroups memory limit, in MB.
     nic Network interfaces profile (defined in config or pillar).
     profile A LXC profile (defined in config or pillar).
     nic_opts Extra options for network interfaces. E.g. {"eth0": {"mac": "aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff", "ipv4": "10.1.1.1",
          "ipv6": "2001:db8::ff00:42:8329"}}
     start Start the newly created container.
     seed Seed the container with the minion config. Default: True
     install If salt-minion is not already installed, install it. Default: True
     config Optional config parameters. By default, the id is set to the name of the container.
     approve_key Attempt to request key approval from the master. Default: True
     clone Original from which to use a clone operation to create the container. Default: None
salt.modules.lxc.list(extra=False)
     List defined containers classified by status. Status can be running, stopped, and frozen.
          extra Also get per container specific info at once. Warning: it will not return a collection of list but
              a collection of mappings by status and then per container name:
```

```
{'running': ['foo']} # normal mode
              {'running': {'foo': {'infol': 'bar'}} # extra mode
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.list
     salt '*' lxc.list extra=True
salt.modules.lxc.run_cmd(name, cmd, no_start=False, preserve_state=True, stdout=True,
                                stderr=False)
     Run a command inside the container.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion' name command [no_start=(True|False)] \
              [preserve_state=(True|False)] [stdout=(True|False)] \
               [stderr=(True|False)]
     name Name of the container on which to operate.
     cmd Command to run
     no start If the container is not running, don't start it. Default: False
     preserve_state After running the command, return the container to its previous state. Default: True
     stdout: Return stdout. Default: True
     stderr: Return stderr. Default: False
     Note: If stderr and stdout are both False, the return code is returned. If stderr and stdout are both True, the
     pid and return code are also returned.
salt.modules.lxc.set_dns (name, dnsservers=None, searchdomains=None)
     Update container DNS configuration and possibly also resolvon one.
     CLI Example:
     salt-call -lall lxc.set_dns ubuntu ['8.8.8.8', '4.4.4.4']
salt.modules.lxc.set_parameter(name, parameter, value)
     Set the value of a cgroup parameter for a container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.set_parameter name parameter value
salt.modules.lxc.set_pass(name, users, password)
     Set the password of one or more system users inside containers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.set_pass root foo
salt.modules.lxc.start(name, restart=False)
     Start the named container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.start name
```

```
salt.modules.lxc.state(name)
     Returns the state of a container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.state name
salt.modules.lxc.stop(name)
     Stop the named container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.stop name
salt.modules.lxc.templates(templates_dir='/usr/share/lxc/templates')
     Returns a list of existing templates
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.templates
salt.modules.lxc.unfreeze(name)
     Unfreeze the named container.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lxc.unfreeze name
salt.modules.lxc.update_lxc_conf (name, lxc_conf, lxc_conf_unset)
     Edit LXC configuration options
     CLI Example:
     salt-call -lall lxc.update_lxc_conf ubuntu
                                                                     lxc_conf="[{'network.ipv4.ip':'10.0.3
20.16.88 salt.modules.mac_group
Manage groups on Mac OS 10.7+
salt.modules.mac_group.add(name, gid=None, **kwargs)
     Add the specified group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.add foo 3456
```

```
salt.modules.mac_group.chgid(name, gid)
    Change the gid for a named group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.mac_group.delete(name)
    Remove the named group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.delete foo
```

```
salt.modules.mac_group.getent(refresh=False)
     Return info on all groups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.getent
salt.modules.mac_group.info(name)
     Return information about a group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.info foo
20.16.89 salt.modules.mac_user
Manage users on Mac OS 10.7+
salt.modules.mac_user.add (name, uid=None, gid=None, groups=None, home=None, shell=None,
                                fullname=None, createhome=True, **kwargs)
     Add a user to the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.add name <uid> <gid> <groups> <home> <shell>
salt.modules.mac_user.chfullname (name, fullname)
     Change the user's Full Name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chfullname foo 'Foo Bar'
salt.modules.mac_user.chgid(name, gid)
     Change the default group of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.mac_user.chgroups (name, groups, append=False)
     Change the groups to which the user belongs. Note that the user's primary group does not have to be one of the
     groups passed, membership in the user's primary group is automatically assumed.
     groups Groups to which the user should belong, can be passed either as a python list or a comma-separated
         string
     append Instead of removing user from groups not included in the groups parameter, just add user to any
          groups for which they are not members
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgroups foo wheel, root
salt.modules.mac_user.chhome (name, home)
     Change the home directory of the user
     CLI Example:
```

salt '*' user.chhome foo /Users/foo

```
salt '*' user.chshell foo /bin/zsh
salt.modules.mac_user.chuid(name, uid)
     Change the uid for a named user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chuid foo 4376
salt.modules.mac_user.delete(name, *args)
     Remove a user from the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.delete foo
salt.modules.mac_user.getent(refresh=False)
     Return the list of all info for all users
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.getent
salt.modules.mac_user.info(name)
     Return user information
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.info root
salt.modules.mac_user.list_groups(name)
     Return a list of groups the named user belongs to
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.list_groups foo
salt.modules.mac user.list users()
     Return a list of all users
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.list_users
20.16.90 salt.modules.makeconf
Support for modifying make.conf under Gentoo
salt.modules.makeconf.append_cflags(value)
     Add to or create a new CFLAGS in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
```

salt.modules.mac_user.chshell(name, shell)

Change the default shell of the user

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' makeconf.append_cflags '-pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.append_cxxflags(value)
     Add to or create a new CXXFLAGS in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.append_cxxflags '-pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.append_emerge_default_opts(value)
     Add to or create a new EMERGE_DEFAULT_OPTS in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.append_emerge_default_opts '--jobs'
salt.modules.makeconf.append features(value)
     Add to or create a new FEATURES in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.append_features 'webrsync-gpg'
salt.modules.makeconf.append_gentoo_mirrors(value)
     Add to or create a new GENTOO MIRRORS in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.append_gentoo_mirrors 'http://distfiles.gentoo.org'
salt.modules.makeconf.append_makeopts(value)
     Add to or create a new MAKEOPTS in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.append_makeopts '-j3'
```

```
salt.modules.makeconf.append var(var, value)
     Add to or create a new variable in the make conf.
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                       'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.append_var 'LINGUAS' 'en'
salt.modules.makeconf.cflags contains(value)
     Verify if CFLAGS variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.cflags_contains '-pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.chost_contains(value)
     Verify if CHOST variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.chost_contains 'x86_64-pc-linux-gnu'
salt.modules.makeconf.cxxflags_contains(value)
     Verify if CXXFLAGS variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.cxxflags_contains '-pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.emerge_default_opts_contains(value)
     Verify if EMERGE_DEFAULT_OPTS variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.emerge_default_opts_contains '--jobs'
salt.modules.makeconf.features_contains(value)
     Verify if FEATURES variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.features_contains 'webrsync-gpg'
salt.modules.makeconf.gentoo_mirrors_contains(value)
     Verify if GENTOO_MIRRORS variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' makeconf.gentoo_mirrors_contains 'http://distfiles.gentoo.org'
salt.modules.makeconf.get_cflags()
     Get the value of CFLAGS variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_cflags
salt.modules.makeconf.get_chost()
     Get the value of CHOST variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_chost
salt.modules.makeconf.get cxxflags()
     Get the value of CXXFLAGS variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_cxxflags
salt.modules.makeconf.get_emerge_default_opts()
     Get the value of EMERGE DEFAULT OPTS variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_emerge_default_opts
salt.modules.makeconf.get features()
     Get the value of FEATURES variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_features
salt.modules.makeconf.get_gentoo_mirrors()
     Get the value of GENTOO MIRRORS variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_gentoo_mirrors
salt.modules.makeconf.get_makeopts()
     Get the value of MAKEOPTS variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' makeconf.get_makeopts
salt.modules.makeconf.get_sync()
     Get the value of SYNC variable in the make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in the make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_sync
salt.modules.makeconf.get_var(var)
     Get the value of a variable in make.conf
     Return the value of the variable or None if the variable is not in make.conf
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.get_var 'LINGUAS'
salt.modules.makeconf.makeopts contains(value)
     Verify if MAKEOPTS variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.makeopts_contains '-j3'
salt.modules.makeconf.remove var(var)
     Remove a variable from the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for the variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                       'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.remove var 'LINGUAS'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_cflags(value)
     Set the CFLAGS variable
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                       'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.set_cflags '-march=native -02 -pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_chost(value)
     Set the CHOST variable
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                       'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' makeconf.set_chost 'x86_64-pc-linux-gnu'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_cxxflags(value)
    Set the CXXFLAGS variable
    Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' makeconf.set_cxxflags '-march=native -02 -pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_emerge_default_opts(value)
    Set the EMERGE_DEFAULT_OPTS variable
    Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' makeconf.set_emerge_default_opts '--jobs'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_gentoo_mirrors(value)
    Set the GENTOO MIRRORS variable
    Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' makeconf.set_gentoo_mirrors 'http://distfiles.gentoo.org'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_makeopts(value)
    Set the MAKEOPTS variable
    Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' makeconf.set_makeopts '-j3'
salt.modules.makeconf.set_sync(value)
    Set the SYNC variable
    Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' makeconf.set_sync 'rsync://rsync.namerica.gentoo.org/gentoo-portage'
```

```
salt.modules.makeconf.set var(var, value)
     Set a variable in the make conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.set_var 'LINGUAS' 'en'
salt.modules.makeconf.sync_contains(value)
     Verify if SYNC variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.sync_contains 'rsync://rsync.namerica.gentoo.org/gentoo-portage'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim_cflags(value)
     Remove a value from CFLAGS variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_cflags '-pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim_cxxflags(value)
     Remove a value from CXXFLAGS variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_cxxflags '-pipe'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim_emerge_default_opts(value)
     Remove a value from EMERGE_DEFAULT_OPTS variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                       'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_emerge_default_opts '--jobs'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim_features(value)
     Remove a value from FEATURES variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
```

```
{'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_features 'webrsync-qpq'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim gentoo mirrors(value)
     Remove a value from GENTOO MIRRORS variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_gentoo_mirrors 'http://distfiles.gentoo.org'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim_makeopts(value)
     Remove a value from MAKEOPTS variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_makeopts '-j3'
salt.modules.makeconf.trim_var(var, value)
     Remove a value from a variable in the make.conf
     Return a dict containing the new value for variable:
     {'<variable>': {'old': '<old-value>',
                      'new': '<new-value>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.trim_var 'LINGUAS' 'en'
salt.modules.makeconf.var_contains(var, value)
     Verify if variable contains a value in make.conf
     Return True if value is set for var
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' makeconf.var_contains 'LINGUAS' 'en'
```

20.16.91 salt.modules.match

The match module allows for match routines to be run and determine target specs

```
salt.modules.match.compound(tgt)
```

Return True if the minion matches the given compound target

```
salt '*' match.compound 'L@cheese, foo and *'
salt.modules.match.data(tgt)
     Return True if the minion matches the given data target
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.data 'spam:eggs'
salt.modules.match.glob(tgt)
     Return True if the minion matches the given glob target
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.glob '*'
salt.modules.match.grain(tgt, delim=':')
     Return True if the minion matches the given grain target. The delim argument can be used to specify a different
     delimiter.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.grain 'os:Ubuntu'
     salt '*' match.grain_pcre 'ipv6|2001:db8::ff00:42:8329' delim='|'
     Changed in version 0.16.4: delim argument added
salt.modules.match.grain pcre(tgt, delim=':')
     Return True if the minion matches the given grain pere target. The delim argument can be used to specify a
     different delimiter.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.grain_pcre 'os:Fedo.*'
     salt '*' match.grain_pcre 'ipv6|2001:.*' delim='|'
     Changed in version 0.16.4: delim argument added
salt.modules.match.ipcidr(tgt)
     Return True if the minion matches the given ipcidr target
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.ipcidr '192.168.44.0/24'
salt.modules.match.list(tgt)
     Return True if the minion matches the given list target
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.list 'server1, server2'
salt.modules.match.pcre(tgt)
     Return True if the minion matches the given pere target
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' match.pcre '.*'
salt.modules.match.pillar(tgt, delim=':')
     Return True if the minion matches the given pillar target. The delim argument can be used to specify a different
     delimiter.
```

```
salt '*' match.pillar 'cheese:foo'
salt '*' match.pillar 'clone_url|https://github.com/saltstack/salt.git' delim='|'
```

Changed in version 0.16.4: delim argument added

20.16.92 salt.modules.mdadm

Salt module to manage RAID arrays with mdadm

```
salt.modules.mdadm.create(*args)
```

Create a RAID device.

Warning: Use with CAUTION, as this function can be very destructive if not used properly!

Use this module just as a regular mdadm command.

For more info, read the mdadm (8) manpage

NOTE: It takes time to create a RAID array. You can check the progress in "resync_status:" field of the results from the following command:

```
salt '*' raid.detail /dev/md0
```

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' raid.create /dev/md0 level=1 chunk=256 raid-devices=2 /dev/xvdd /dev/xvde test_mode=Tru
```

Note: Test mode

Adding test_mode=True as an argument will print out the mdadm command that would have been run.

Parameters

- args The arguments u pass to this function.
- **arguments** arguments['new_array']: The name of the new RAID array that will be created. arguments['opt_val']: Option with Value. Example: raid-devices=2 arguments['opt_raw']: Option without Value. Example: force arguments['disks_to_array']: The disks that will be added to the new raid.

Returns

test_mode=True: Prints out the full command.

test_mode=False (Default): Executes command on remote the host(s) and Prints out the mdadm output.

```
salt.modules.mdadm.destroy(device)
```

Destroy a RAID device.

WARNING This will zero the superblock of all members of the RAID array..

```
salt '*' raid.destroy /dev/md0
```

```
salt.modules.mdadm.detail(device='/dev/md0')
     Show detail for a specified RAID device
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' raid.detail '/dev/md0'
salt.modules.mdadm.list()
     List the RAID devices.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' raid.list
salt.modules.mdadm.save_config()
     Save RAID configuration to config file.
     Same as: mdadm -detail -scan >> /etc/mdadm/mdadm.conf
     Fixes this issue with Ubuntu REF: http://askubuntu.com/questions/209702/why-is-my-raid-dev-md1-showing-
     up-as-dev-md126-is-mdadm-conf-being-ignored
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' raid.save_config
20.16.93 salt.modules.memcached
Module for Management of Memcached Keys
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
                                                                       port=11211,
                                                   host='127.0.0.1',
salt.modules.memcached.add(key,
                                                                                      time=0,
                                          value,
                                  min\ compress\ len=0)
     Add a key to the memcached server, but only if it does not exist. Returns False if the key already exists.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.add <key> <value>
salt.modules.memcached.decrement (key, delta=1, host='127.0.0.1', port=11211)
     Decrement the value of a key
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.decrement <key>
     salt '*' memcached.decrement <key> 2
salt.modules.memcached.delete(key, host='127.0.0.1', port=11211, time=0)
     Delete a key from memcache server
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.delete <key>
salt.modules.memcached.get (key, host='127.0.0.1', port=11211)
     Retrieve value for a key
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.get <key>
```

```
salt.modules.memcached.increment (key, delta=1, host='127.0.0.1', port=11211)
     Increment the value of a key
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.increment <key>
     salt '*' memcached.increment <key> 2
salt.modules.memcached.replace(key,
                                              value,
                                                       host='127.0.0.1',
                                                                        port=11211,
                                                                                        time=0,
                                        min\ compress\ len=0)
     Replace a key on the memcached server. This only succeeds if the key already exists. This is the opposite of
     memcached.add
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.replace <key> <value>
                                                    host='127.0.0.1',
salt.modules.memcached.set (key,
                                                                        port=11211,
                                                                                        time=0,
                                          value,
                                  min compress len=0)
     Set a key on the memcached server, overwriting the value if it exists.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.set <key> <value>
salt.modules.memcached.status(host='127.0.0.1', port=11211)
     Get memcached status
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' memcached.status
20.16.94 salt.modules.mine
The function cache system allows for data to be stored on the master so it can be easily read by other minions
salt.modules.mine.delete(fun)
     Remove specific function contents of minion. Returns True on success.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mine.delete 'network.interfaces'
salt.modules.mine.flush()
     Remove all mine contents of minion. Returns True on success.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mine.flush
salt.modules.mine.get (tgt, fun, expr_form='glob')
     Get data from the mine based on the target, function and expr_form
     Targets can be matched based on any standard matching system that can be matched on the master via these
     keywords:
     glob
     pcre
     grain
     grain_pcre
```

```
salt '*' mine.get '*' network.interfaces
salt '*' mine.get 'os:Fedora' network.interfaces grain
salt.modules.mine.send(func, *args, **kwargs)
Send a specific function to the mine.
CLI Example:
salt '*' mine.send network.interfaces eth0
salt.modules.mine.update(clear=False)
```

Execute the configured functions and send the data back up to the master The functions to be executed are merged from the master config, pillar and minion config under the option "function_cache":

```
mine_functions:
  network.ip_addrs:
    - eth0
  disk.usage: []
```

The function cache will be populated with information from executing these functions

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mine.update
```

20.16.95 salt.modules.modjk

Control Modjk via the Apache Tomcat "Status" worker (http://tomcat.apache.org/connectors-doc/reference/status.html)

Below is an example of the configuration needed for this module. This configuration data can be placed either in *grains* or *pillar*.

If using grains, this can be accomplished *statically* or via a *grain module*.

If using pillar, the yaml configuration can be placed directly into a pillar SLS file, making this both the easier and more dynamic method of configuring this module.

salt '*' modjk.bulk_activate node1, node2, node3 loadbalancer1 other-profile

```
modjk:
  default:
    url: http://localhost/jkstatus
    user: modjk
    pass: secret
    realm: authentication realm for digest passwords
    timeout: 5
  otherVhost:
    url: http://otherVhost/jkstatus
    user: modjk
    pass: secret2
    realm: authentication realm2 for digest passwords
    timeout: 600
salt.modules.modjk.bulk_activate(workers, lbn, profile='default')
    Activate all the given workers in the specific load balancer
    CLI Examples:
    salt '*' modjk.bulk_activate node1,node2,node3 loadbalancer1
```

```
salt '*' modjk.bulk_activate ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_activate ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.bulk_disable (workers, lbn, profile='default')
     Disable all the given workers in the specific load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_disable node1, node2, node3 loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_disable node1,node2,node3 loadbalancer1 other-profile
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_disable ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_disable ["node1","node2","node3"] loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.bulk_recover(workers, lbn, profile='default')
     Recover all the given workers in the specific load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_recover node1, node2, node3 loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_recover node1, node2, node3 loadbalancer1 other-profile
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_recover ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_recover ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.bulk_stop(workers, lbn, profile='default')
     Stop all the given workers in the specific load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_stop node1, node2, node3 loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_stop node1, node2, node3 loadbalancer1 other-profile
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_stop ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.bulk_stop ["node1", "node2", "node3"] loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.dump_config(profile='default')
     Dump the original configuration that was loaded from disk
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.dump_config
     salt '*' modjk.dump_config other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.get running(profile='default')
     Get the current running config (not from disk)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.get_running
     salt '*' modjk.get_running other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.lb_edit(lbn, settings, profile='default')
     Edit the loadbalancer settings
     Note: http://tomcat.apache.org/connectors-doc/reference/status.html Data Parameters for the standard Update
     Action
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.lb_edit loadbalancer1 "{'vlr': 1, 'vlt': 60}"
     salt '*' modjk.lb_edit loadbalancer1 "{'vlr': 1, 'vlt': 60}" other-profile
```

```
salt.modules.modjk.list configured members(lbn, profile='default')
     Return a list of member workers from the configuration files
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.list_configured_members loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.list_configured_members loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.recover_all(lbn, profile='default')
     Set the all the workers in lbn to recover and activate them if they are not
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.recover_all loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.recover_all loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.reset_stats(lbn, profile='default')
     Reset all runtime statistics for the load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.reset_stats loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.reset_stats loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.version(profile='default')
     Return the modik version
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.version
     salt '*' modjk.version other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.worker_activate(worker, lbn, profile='default')
     Set the worker to activate state in the lbn load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.worker_activate node1 loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.worker_activate node1 loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.worker_disable(worker, lbn, profile='default')
     Set the worker to disable state in the lbn load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.worker_disable node1 loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.worker_disable nodel loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.worker_edit (worker, lbn, settings, profile='default')
     Edit the worker settings
     Note: http://tomcat.apache.org/connectors-doc/reference/status.html Data Parameters for the standard Update
     Action
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.worker_edit node1 loadbalancer1 "{'vwf': 500, 'vwd': 60}"
     salt '*' modjk.worker_edit nodel loadbalancer1 "{'vwf': 500, 'vwd': 60}" other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.worker_recover (worker, lbn, profile='default')
     Set the worker to recover this module will fail if it is in OK state
     CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' modjk.worker_recover node1 loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.worker_recover nodel loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.worker_status(worker, profile='default')
     Return the state of the worker
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.worker_status node1
     salt '*' modjk.worker_status node1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.worker_stop(worker, lbn, profile='default')
     Set the worker to stopped state in the lbn load balancer
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.worker_activate nodel loadbalancer1
     salt '*' modjk.worker_activate nodel loadbalancer1 other-profile
salt.modules.modjk.workers(profile='default')
     Return a list of member workers and their status
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' modjk.workers
     salt '*' modjk.workers other-profile
20.16.96 salt.modules.mongodb
Module to provide MongoDB functionality to Salt
```

configuration This module uses PyMongo, and accepts configuration details as parameters as well as configuration settings:

```
mongodb.host: 'localhost'
mongodb.port: 27017
mongodb.user: "
mongodb.password: ''
```

This data can also be passed into pillar. Options passed into opts will overwrite options passed into

salt.modules.mongodb.db_exists (name, user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None) Checks if a database exists in Mongodb

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mongodb.db_exists <name> <user> <password> <host> <port>
```

salt.modules.mongodb.db_list(user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None) List all Mongodb databases

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mongodb.db_list <user> <password> <host> <port>
```

salt.modules.mongodb.db_remove (name, user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None) Remove a Mongodb database

```
salt '*' mongodb.db_remove <name> <user> <password> <host> <port>
salt.modules.mongodb.user_create(name, passwd, user=None, password=None, host=None,
                                       port=None, database='admin')
    Create a Mongodb user
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' mongodb.user_create <name> <user> <password> <host> <port> <database>
salt.modules.mongodb.user_exists (name, user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None,
                                       database='admin')
    Checks if a user exists in Mongodb
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' mongodb.user_exists <name> <user> <password> <host> <port> <database>
salt.modules.mongodb.user_list(user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None,
                                    database='admin')
    List users of a Mongodb database
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' mongodb.user_list <name> <user> <password> <host> <port> <database>
salt.modules.mongodb.user_remove (name, user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None,
                                      database='admin')
    Remove a Mongodb user
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' mongodb.user_remove <name> <user> <password> <host> <port> <database>
20.16.97 salt.modules.monit
Monit service module. This module will create a monit type service watcher.
salt.modules.monit.monitor(name)
    monitor service via monit
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' monit.monitor <service name>
salt.modules.monit.restart(name)
    Restart service via monit
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' monit.restart <service name>
salt.modules.monit.start(name)
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' monit.start <service name>
salt.modules.monit.stop(name)
    Stops service via monit
    CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' monit.stop <service name>
salt.modules.monit.summary(svc_name='')
    Display a summary from monit
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' monit.summary
    salt '*' monit.summary <service name>
salt.modules.monit.unmonitor(name)
    Unmonitor service via monit
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' monit.unmonitor <service name>
20.16.98 salt.modules.moosefs
Module for gathering and managing information about MooseFS
salt.modules.moosefs.dirinfo(path, opts=None)
    Return information on a directory located on the Moose
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' moosefs.dirinfo /path/to/dir/ [-[n][h|H]]
salt.modules.moosefs.fileinfo(path)
    Return information on a file located on the Moose
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' moosefs.fileinfo /path/to/dir/
salt.modules.moosefs.getgoal(path, opts=None)
    Return goal(s) for a file or directory
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' moosefs.getgoal /path/to/file [-[n][h|H]]
    salt '*' moosefs.getgoal /path/to/dir/ [-[n][h|H][r]]
salt.modules.moosefs.mounts()
    Return a list of current MooseFS mounts
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' moosefs.mounts
20.16.99 salt.modules.mount
```

Salt module to manage unix mounts and the fstab file

```
salt.modules.mount.active()
     List the active mounts.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' mount.active
salt.modules.mount.fstab(config='/etc/fstab')
     List the contents of the fstab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.fstab
salt.modules.mount.is_fuse_exec(cmd)
     Returns true if the command passed is a fuse mountable application.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.is_fuse_exec sshfs
salt.modules.mount.mount (name, device, mkmnt=False, fstype='', opts='defaults')
     Mount a device
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.mount /mnt/foo /dev/sdz1 True
salt.modules.mount.remount (name, device, mkmnt=False, fstype='', opts='defaults')
     Attempt to remount a device, if the device is not already mounted, mount is called
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.remount /mnt/foo /dev/sdz1 True
salt.modules.mount.rm_fstab(name, config='/etc/fstab')
     Remove the mount point from the fstab
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.rm_fstab /mnt/foo
salt.modules.mount.set_fstab (name, device, fstype, opts='defaults', dump=0, pass_num=0, con-
                                     fig='/etc/fstab', test=False, **kwargs)
     Verify that this mount is represented in the fstab, change the mount to match the data passed, or add the mount
     if it is not present.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.set_fstab /mnt/foo /dev/sdz1 ext4
salt.modules.mount.swapoff(name)
     Deactivate a named swap mount
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.swapoff /root/swapfile
salt.modules.mount.swapon(name, priority=None)
     Activate a swap disk
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mount.swapon /root/swapfile
salt.modules.mount.swaps()
     Return a dict containing information on active swap
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' mount.swaps

salt.modules.mount.umount (name)
   Attempt to unmount a device by specifying the directory it is mounted on
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' mount.umount /mnt/foo
```

20.16.100 salt.modules.munin

Run munin plugins/checks from salt and format the output as data.

```
salt.modules.munin.list_plugins()
    List all the munin plugins

CLI Example:
    salt '*' munin.list_plugins

salt.modules.munin.run (plugins)
    Run one or more named munin plugins

CLI Example:
    salt '*' munin.run uptime
    salt '*' munin.run uptime, cpu, load, memory

salt.modules.munin.run_all()
    Run all the munin plugins

CLI Example:
    salt '*' munin.run_all
```

20.16.101 salt.modules.mysql

Module to provide MySQL compatibility to salt.

depends

• MySQLdb Python module

Note: On CentOS 5 (and possibly RHEL 5) both MySQL-python and python26-mysqldb need to be installed.

configuration In order to connect to MySQL, certain configuration is required in /etc/salt/minion on the relevant minions. Some sample configs might look like:

```
mysql.host: 'localhost'
mysql.port: 3306
mysql.user: 'root'
mysql.pass: ''
mysql.db: 'mysql'
mysql.unix_socket: '/tmp/mysql.sock'
mysql.charset: 'utf8'
```

You can also use a defaults file:

```
mysql.default_file: '/etc/mysql/debian.cnf'
```

Changed in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen) charset connection argument added. This is a MySQL charset, not a python one

Changed in version 0.16.2: Connection arguments from the minion config file can be overridden on the CLI by using the arguments defined *here*. Additionally, it is now possible to setup a user with no password.

```
salt.modules.mysql.db_check(name, table=None, **connection_args)
     Repairs the full database or just a given table
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_check dbname
     salt '*' mysql.db_check dbname dbtable
salt.modules.mysql.db_create(name, character_set=None, collate=None, **connection_args)
     Adds a databases to the MySQL server.
     name The name of the database to manage
     character set. The character set, if left empty the MySQL default will be used
     collate The collation, if left empty the MySQL default will be used
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_create 'dbname'
     salt '*' mysql.db_create 'dbname' 'utf8' 'utf8_general_ci'
salt.modules.mysql.db_exists(name, **connection_args)
     Checks if a database exists on the MySQL server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_exists 'dbname'
salt.modules.mysql.db_list(**connection_args)
     Return a list of databases of a MySQL server using the output from the SHOW DATABASES query.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_list
salt.modules.mysql.db_optimize(name, table=None, **connection_args)
     Optimizes the full database or just a given table
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_optimize dbname
salt.modules.mysql.db_remove(name, **connection_args)
     Removes a databases from the MySQL server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_remove 'dbname'
salt.modules.mysql.db_repair (name, table=None, **connection_args)
     Repairs the full database or just a given table
```

```
salt '*' mysql.db_repair dbname
salt.modules.mysql.db_tables(name, **connection_args)
     Shows the tables in the given MySQL database (if exists)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.db_tables 'database'
salt.modules.mysql.free_slave(**connection_args)
     Frees a slave from its master. This is a WIP, do not use.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.free_slave
salt.modules.mysql.get_master_status(**connection_args)
     Retrieves the master status from the minion.
     Returns:
         {'host.domain.com': {'Binlog_Do_DB': '', 'Binlog_Ignore_DB': '', 'File': 'mysql-bin.000021', 'Posi-
             tion': 107}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.get_master_status
salt.modules.mysql.get slave status(**connection args)
     Retrieves the slave status from the minion.
     Returns:
     {'host.domain.com': {'Connect_Retry': 60,
                     'Exec_Master_Log_Pos': 107,
                     'Last_Errno': 0,
                     'Last_Error': '',
                     'Last_IO_Errno': 0,
                     'Last_IO_Error': '',
                     'Last_SQL_Errno': 0,
                     'Last_SQL_Error': '',
                     'Master_Host': 'comet.scion-eng.com',
                     'Master_Log_File': 'mysql-bin.000021',
                     'Master_Port': 3306,
                     'Master_SSL_Allowed': 'No',
                     'Master_SSL_CA_File': '',
                     'Master_SSL_CA_Path': '',
                     'Master_SSL_Cert': '',
                     'Master_SSL_Cipher': '',
                     'Master_SSL_Key': '',
                     'Master_SSL_Verify_Server_Cert': 'No',
                     'Master_Server_Id': 1,
                     'Master_User': 'replu',
                     'Read_Master_Log_Pos': 107,
                     'Relay_Log_File': 'klo-relay-bin.000071',
                     'Relay_Log_Pos': 253,
                     'Relay_Log_Space': 553,
                     'Relay_Master_Log_File': 'mysql-bin.000021',
                     'Replicate_Do_DB': '',
                     'Replicate_Do_Table': ''
                     'Replicate_Ignore_DB': '',
```

```
'Replicate_Ignore_Server_Ids': '',
                      'Replicate_Ignore_Table': '',
                      'Replicate_Wild_Do_Table': '',
                      'Replicate_Wild_Ignore_Table': '',
                      'Seconds_Behind_Master': 0,
                      'Skip_Counter': 0,
                      'Slave_IO_Running': 'Yes',
                      'Slave_IO_State': 'Waiting for master to send event',
                      'Slave_SQL_Running': 'Yes',
                      'Until_Condition': 'None',
                      'Until_Log_File': '',
                      'Until_Log_Pos': 0}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.get_slave_status
salt.modules.mysql.grant add(grant, database, user, host='localhost', grant option=False, es-
                                    cape=True, **connection_args)
     Adds a grant to the MySQL server.
     For database, make sure you specify database.table or database.*
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.grant_add
                                              'SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, ...' 'database.*' 'frank' 'localhost'
salt.modules.mysql.grant exists(grant, database, user, host='localhost', grant option=False,
                                        escape=True, **connection args)
     Checks to see if a grant exists in the database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.grant_exists
                                                   'SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, ...' 'database.*' 'frank' 'localh
salt.modules.mysql.grant_revoke(grant, database, user, host='localhost', grant_option=False,
                                        escape=True, **connection_args)
     Removes a grant from the MySQL server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.grant_revoke
                                                  'SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE' 'database.*' 'frank' 'localhost'
salt.modules.mysql.processlist(**connection_args)
     Retrieves the processlist from the MySQL server via "SHOW FULL PROCESSLIST".
     Returns: a list of dicts, with each dict representing a process:
         ('Command': 'Query', 'Host': 'localhost', 'Id': 39, 'Info': 'SHOW FULL PROCESSLIST',
              'Rows_examined': 0, 'Rows_read': 1, 'Rows_sent': 0, 'State': None, 'Time': 0, 'User': 'root',
             'db': 'mysql'}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.processlist
salt.modules.mysql.query (database, query, **connection_args)
     Run an arbitrary SQL query and return the results or the number of affected rows.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' mysql.query mydb "UPDATE mytable set myfield=1 limit 1"
     Return data:
     {'query time': {'human': '39.0ms', 'raw': '0.03899'}, 'rows affected': 1L}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.query mydb "SELECT id, name, cash from users limit 3"
     Return data:
     {'columns': ('id', 'name', 'cash'),
         'query time': {'human': '1.0ms', 'raw': '0.001'},
         'results': ((1L, 'User 1', Decimal('110.000000')),
                       (2L, 'User 2', Decimal('215.636756')),
                       (3L, 'User 3', Decimal('0.040000'))),
         'rows returned': 3L}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.query mydb 'INSERT into users values (null, "user 4", 5)'
     Return data:
     {'query time': {'human': '25.6ms', 'raw': '0.02563'}, 'rows affected': 1L}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.query mydb 'DELETE from users where id = 4 limit 1'
     Return data:
     {'query time': {'human': '39.0ms', 'raw': '0.03899'}, 'rows affected': 1L}
     Jinja Example: Run a query on mydb and use row 0, column 0's data.
     {{ salt['mysql.query']('mydb', 'SELECT info from mytable limit 1')['results'][0][0] }}
salt.modules.mysql.quote_identifier(identifier, for_grants=False)
     Return an identifier name (column, table, database, etc) escaped for MySQL
     This means surrounded by "" character and escaping this charater inside. It also means doubling the "%"
     character for MySQLdb internal usage.
         Parameters
               • identifier – the table, column or database identifier
               • for_grants – is False by default, when using database names on grant queries you should set
                 it to True to also escape "_" and "%" characters as requested by MySQL. Note that theses
                 characters should only be escaped when requesting grants on the database level (my_%db.*)
                 but not for table level grants (my_%db.'foo')
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' mysql.quote_identifier 'foo'bar'
```

Returns:: show global variables full dict

salt.modules.mysql.showglobal(**connection_args)
Retrieves the show global variables from the minion.

```
salt '*' mysql.showglobal
```

salt.modules.mysql.showvariables(**connection_args)

Retrieves the show variables from the minion.

Returns:: show variables full dict

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mysql.showvariables
```

```
salt.modules.mysql.slave_lag(**connection_args)
```

Return the number of seconds that a slave SQL server is lagging behind the master, if the host is not a slave it will return -1. If the server is configured to be a slave for replication but slave IO is not running then -2 will be returned. If there was an error connecting to the database or checking the slave status, -3 will be returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mysql.slave_lag
```

```
salt.modules.mysql.status(**connection_args)
```

Return the status of a MySQL server using the output from the SHOW STATUS query.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mysql.status
```

salt.modules.mysql.tokenize_grant(grant)

External wrapper function :param grant: :return: dict

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mysql.tokenize_grant
```

"GRANT SELECT, INSERT ON testdb.* TO 'testuser'@'local

Change password for a MySQL user

host Host for which this user/password combo applies

password The password to set for the new user. Will take precedence over the password_hash option if both are specified.

password_hash The password in hashed form. Be sure to quote the password because YAML doesn't like the*. A password hash can be obtained from the mysql command-line client like so:

allow_passwordless If True, then password and password_hash can be omitted (or set to None) to permit a passwordless login.

New in version 0.16.2: The allow_passwordless option was added.

```
salt '*' mysql.user_chpass frank localhost newpassword
salt '*' mysql.user_chpass frank localhost password_hash='hash'
salt '*' mysql.user_chpass frank localhost allow_passwordless=True
```

Creates a MySQL user

host Host for which this user/password combo applies

password The password to use for the new user. Will take precedence over the password_hash option if both are specified.

password_hash The password in hashed form. Be sure to quote the password because YAML doesn't like the*. A password hash can be obtained from the mysql command-line client like so:

```
mysql> SELECT PASSWORD('mypass');
+------+
| PASSWORD('mypass')
| +-----+
| *6C8989366EAF75BB670AD8EA7A7FC1176A95CEF4 |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

allow_passwordless If True, then password and password_hash can be omitted (or set to None) to permit a passwordless login.

unix_socket If True and allow_passwordless is True then will be used unix_socket auth plugin.

New in version 0.16.2: The allow passwordless option was added.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' mysql.user_create 'username' 'hostname' 'password'
salt '*' mysql.user_create 'username' 'hostname' password_hash='hash'
salt '*' mysql.user_create 'username' 'hostname' allow_passwordless=True
```

Checks if a user exists on the MySQL server. A login can be checked to see if passwordless login is permitted by omitting password and password_hash, and using passwordless=True.

New in version 0.16.2: The passwordless option was added.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mysql.user_exists 'username' 'hostname' 'password'
salt '*' mysql.user_exists 'username' 'hostname' password_hash='hash'
salt '*' mysql.user_exists 'username' passwordless=True
```

salt.modules.mysql.user_grants (user, host='localhost', **connection_args)
Shows the grants for the given MySQL user (if it exists)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' mysql.user_grants 'frank' 'localhost'
```

salt.modules.mysql.user_info(user, host='localhost', **connection_args)
Get full info on a MySQL user

```
salt '*' mysql.user_info root localhost

salt.modules.mysql.user_list (**connection_args)
    Return a list of users on a MySQL server

CLI Example:
    salt '*' mysql.user_list

salt.modules.mysql.user_remove (user, host='localhost', **connection_args)
    Delete MySQL user

CLI Example:
    salt '*' mysql.user_remove frank localhost

salt modules.mysql.version (**connection_args)
    Return the version of a MySQL server using the output from the SELECT VERSION() query.

CLI Example:
    salt '*' mysql.version
```

20.16.102 salt.modules.netbsd_sysctl

```
Module for viewing and modifying sysctl parameters
```

```
salt.modules.netbsd_sysctl.assign(name, value)
     Assign a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.assign net.inet.icmp.icmplim 50
salt.modules.netbsd_sysctl.get (name)
     Return a single sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.get hw.physmem
salt.modules.netbsd_sysctl.persist(name, value)
     Assign and persist a simple sysctl parameter for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.persist net.inet.icmp.icmplim 50
salt.modules.netbsd_sysctl.show()
     Return a list of sysctl parameters for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sysctl.show
```

20.16.103 salt.modules.netbsdservice

The service module for NetBSD

```
salt.modules.netbsdservice.available(name)
     Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.available sshd
salt.modules.netbsdservice.disable(name, **kwargs)
     Disable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.disabled(name)
     Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.enable (name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.enabled(name)
     Return True if the named service is enabled, false otherwise
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.force_reload(name)
     Force-reload the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.force_reload <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.get all()
     Return all available boot services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.netbsdservice.get_disabled()
     Return a set of services that are installed but disabled
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.netbsdservice.get_enabled()
     Return a list of service that are enabled on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
```

```
salt.modules.netbsdservice.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.netbsdservice.reload(name)
     Reload the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.netbsdservice.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
20.16.104 salt.modules.network
Module for gathering and managing network information
salt.modules.network.active_tcp()
     Return a dict containing information on all of the running TCP connections
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.active_tcp
salt.modules.network.arp()
     Return the arp table from the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.arp
```

```
salt.modules.network.dig(host)
     Performs a DNS lookup with dig
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.dig archlinux.org
salt.modules.network.get_hostname()
     Get hostname
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.get_hostname
salt.modules.network.hw_addr(iface)
     Return the hardware address (a.k.a. MAC address) for a given interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.hw_addr eth0
salt.modules.network.hwaddr(iface)
     Return the hardware address (a.k.a. MAC address) for a given interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.hw_addr eth0
salt.modules.network.in_subnet(cidr)
     Returns True if host is within specified subnet, otherwise False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.in subnet 10.0.0.0/16
salt.modules.network.interfaces()
     Return a dictionary of information about all the interfaces on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.interfaces
salt.modules.network.ip_addrs(interface=None, include_loopback=False, cidr=None)
     Returns a list of IPv4 addresses assigned to the host. 127.0.0.1 is ignored, unless 'include loopback=True' is
     indicated. If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned. Providing a
     CIDR via 'cidr="10.0.0.0/8" will return only the addresses which are within that subnet.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs
salt.modules.network.ip_addrs6 (interface=None, include_loopback=False)
     Returns a list of IPv6 addresses assigned to the host. ::1 is ignored, unless 'include_loopback=True' is indicated.
     If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs6
salt.modules.network.ipaddrs(interface=None, include_loopback=False, cidr=None)
     Returns a list of IPv4 addresses assigned to the host. 127.0.0.1 is ignored, unless 'include_loopback=True' is
     indicated. If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned. Providing a
     CIDR via 'cidr="10.0.0.0/8" will return only the addresses which are within that subnet.
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs
salt.modules.network.ipaddrs6(interface=None, include_loopback=False)
     Returns a list of IPv6 addresses assigned to the host. ::1 is ignored, unless 'include_loopback=True' is indicated.
     If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs6
salt.modules.network.mod_hostname(hostname)
     Modify hostname
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.mod_hostname
                                        master.saltstack.com
salt.modules.network.netstat()
     Return information on open ports and states
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.netstat
salt.modules.network.ping(host)
     Performs a ping to a host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ping archlinux.org
salt.modules.network.subnets()
     Returns a list of subnets to which the host belongs
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.subnets
salt.modules.network.traceroute(host)
     Performs a traceroute to a 3rd party host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.traceroute archlinux.org
20.16.105 salt.modules.nfs3
Module for managing NFS version 3.
salt.modules.nfs3.del_export (exports='/etc/exports', path=None)
     Remove an export
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nfs.del_export /media/storage
```

List configured exports

CLI Example:

salt.modules.nfs3.list_exports(exports='/etc/exports')

```
salt '*' nfs.list_exports
```

20.16.106 salt.modules.nginx

```
Support for nginx
salt.modules.nginx.configtest()
     test configuration and exit
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nginx.configtest
salt.modules.nginx.signal(signal=None)
     Signals nginx to start, reload, reopen or stop.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nginx.signal reload
salt.modules.nginx.status(url='http://127.0.0.1/status')
     Return the data from an Nginx status page as a dictionary. http://wiki.nginx.org/HttpStubStatusModule
     url The URL of the status page. Defaults to 'http://127.0.0.1/status'
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nginx.status
salt.modules.nginx.version()
     Return server version from nginx -v
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nginx.version
```

20.16.107 salt.modules.nova

Module for handling OpenStack Nova calls

depends

• novaclient Python module

configuration This module is not usable until the user, password, tenant, and auth URL are specified either in a pillar or in the minion's config file. For example:

```
keystone.user: admin
keystone.password: verybadpass
keystone.tenant: admin
keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
# Optional
keystone.region_name: 'regionOne'
```

If configuration for multiple OpenStack accounts is required, they can be set up as different configuration profiles: For example:

```
openstack1:
            keystone.user: admin
            keystone.password: verybadpass
            keystone.tenant: admin
            keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.1:5000/v2.0/'
          openstack2:
            keystone.user: admin
            keystone.password: verybadpass
            keystone.tenant: admin
            keystone.auth_url: 'http://127.0.0.2:5000/v2.0/'
          With this configuration in place, any of the nova functions can make use of a configuration profile
          by declaring it explicitly. For example:
          salt '*' nova.flavor_list profile=openstack1
salt.modules.nova.boot (name, flavor_id=0, image_id=0, profile=None, timeout=300)
     Boot (create) a new instance
     name Name of the new instance (must be first)
     flavor id Unique integer ID for the flavor
     image_id Unique integer ID for the image
     timeout How long to wait, after creating the instance, for the provider to return information about it (default
          300 seconds).
          New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.boot myinstance flavor_id=4596 image_id=2
     The flavor_id and image_id are obtained from nova.flavor_list and nova.image_list
     salt '*' nova.flavor_list
     salt '*' nova.image_list
salt.modules.nova.delete(instance id, profile=None)
     Delete an instance
     instance_id ID of the instance to be deleted
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.delete 1138
salt.modules.nova.flavor_create(name, flavor_id=0, ram=0, disk=0, vcpus=1, profile=None)
     Add a flavor to nova (nova flavor-create). The following parameters are required:
     name Name of the new flavor (must be first)
     flavor_id Unique integer ID for the new flavor
     ram Memory size in MB
     disk Disk size in GB
     vcpus Number of vcpus
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' nova.flavor_create myflavor flavor_id=6
                                                                             ram=4096 disk=10 vcpus=1
salt.modules.nova.flavor_delete (flavor_id, profile=None)
     Delete a flavor from nova by id (nova flavor-delete)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.flavor_delete 7
salt.modules.nova.flavor_list (profile=None)
     Return a list of available flavors (nova flavor-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.flavor_list
salt.modules.nova.image_list(name=None, profile=None)
     Return a list of available images (nova images-list + nova image-show) If a name is provided, only that image
     will be displayed.
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' nova.image_list
     salt '*' nova.image_list myimage
salt.modules.nova.image_meta_delete(image_id=None, name=None,
                                                                           keys=None,
                                                                                       pro-
                                            file=None)
     Delete a key=value pair from the metadata for an image (nova image-meta set)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' nova.image_meta_delete
                                                          6f52b2ff-0b31-4d84-8fd1-af45b84824f6 keys=cheese
     salt '*' nova.image_meta_delete name=myimage keys=salad,beans
salt.modules.nova.image_meta_set (image_id=None, name=None, profile=None, **kwargs)
     Sets a key=value pair in the metadata for an image (nova image-meta set)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' nova.image_meta_set 6f52b2ff-0b31-4d84-8fd1-af45b84824f6
                                                                                                cheese=gruyere
     salt '*' nova.image_meta_set name=myimage salad=pasta beans=baked
salt.modules.nova.keypair_add(name, pubfile=None, pubkey=None, profile=None)
     Add a keypair to nova (nova keypair-add)
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' nova.keypair_add mykey pubfile='/home/myuser/.ssh/id_rsa.pub'
     salt '*' nova.keypair_add mykey pubkey='ssh-rsa <key> myuser@mybox'
salt.modules.nova.keypair_delete(name, profile=None)
     Add a keypair to nova (nova keypair-delete)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.keypair_delete mykey'
salt.modules.nova.keypair_list(profile=None)
     Return a list of available keypairs (nova keypair-list)
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' nova.keypair_list
salt.modules.nova.list(profile=None)
     To maintain the feel of the nova command line, this function simply calls the server_list function.
salt.modules.nova.lock (instance_id, profile=None)
     Lock an instance
     instance_id ID of the instance to be locked
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.lock 1138
salt.modules.nova.resume(instance id, profile=None)
     Resume an instance
     instance_id ID of the instance to be resumed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.resume 1138
salt.modules.nova.secgroup_create (name, description, profile=None)
     Add a secgroup to nova (nova secgroup-create)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.secgroup_create mygroup 'This is my security group'
salt.modules.nova.secgroup_delete(name, profile=None)
     Delete a secgroup to nova (nova secgroup-delete)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.secgroup_delete mygroup
salt.modules.nova.secgroup_list(profile=None)
     Return a list of available security groups (nova items-list)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.secgroup_list
salt.modules.nova.server_by_name (name, profile=None)
     Return information about a server
     name Server Name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.server_by_name myserver profile=openstack
salt.modules.nova.server_list(profile=None)
     Return list of active servers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.show
salt.modules.nova.server_list_detailed(profile=None)
     Return detailed list of active servers
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' nova.server_list_detailed
salt.modules.nova.server_show(server_id, profile=None)
     Return detailed information for an active server
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.server_show <server_id>
salt.modules.nova.show(server_id, profile=None)
     To maintain the feel of the nova command line, this function simply calls the server_show function.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.show
salt.modules.nova.suspend(instance_id, profile=None)
     Suspend an instance
     instance_id ID of the instance to be suspended
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.suspend 1138
salt.modules.nova.volume_attach (name, server_name, device='/dev/xvdb', profile=None, time-
                                        out = 300)
     Attach a block storage volume
     name Name of the new volume to attach
     server_name Name of the server to attach to
     device Name of the device on the server
     profile Profile to build on
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.volume_attach myblock slice.example.com profile=openstack
     salt '*' nova.volume_attach myblock server.example.com
                                                                                      device='/dev/xvdb' profil
salt.modules.nova.volume_create(name, size=100, snapshot=None, voltype=None, pro-
                                        file=None)
     Create a block storage volume
     name Name of the new volume (must be first)
     size Volume size
     snapshot Block storage snapshot id
     voltype Type of storage
     profile Profile to build on
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.volume_create myblock size=300 profile=openstack
salt.modules.nova.volume_delete(name, profile=None)
     Destroy the volume
     name Name of the volume
     profile Profile to build on
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.volume_delete myblock profile=openstack
salt.modules.nova.volume_detach(name, profile=None, timeout=300)
     Attach a block storage volume
     name Name of the new volume to attach
     server name Name of the server to detach from
     profile Profile to build on
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.volume_detach myblock profile=openstack
salt.modules.nova.volume_list (search_opts=None, profile=None)
     List storage volumes
     search_opts Dictionary of search options
     profile Profile to use
     CLI Example:
                                                    search_opts='{"display_name": "myblock"}'
     salt '*' nova.volume_list
salt.modules.nova.volume_show (name, profile=None)
     Create a block storage volume
     name Name of the volume
     profile Profile to use
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' nova.volume_show myblock profile=openstack
```

20.16.108 salt.modules.npm

Manage and query NPM packages.

```
salt.modules.npm.install (pkg=None, dir=None, runas=None)
Install an NPM package.
```

If no directory is specified, the package will be installed globally. If no package is specified, the dependencies (from package.json) of the package in the given directory will be installed.

pkg A package name in any format accepted by NPM, including a version identifier

dir The target directory in which to install the package, or None for global installation

runas The user to run NPM with

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' npm.install coffee-script
salt '*' npm.install coffee-script@1.0.1
salt.modules.npm.list(pkg=None, dir=None)
List installed NPM packages.
```

If no directory is specified, this will return the list of globally- installed packages.

```
pkg Limit package listing by name
```

dir The directory whose packages will be listed, or None for global installation

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' npm.list
```

salt.modules.npm.uninstall(pkg, dir=None, runas=None)

Uninstall an NPM package.

If no directory is specified, the package will be uninstalled globally.

pkg A package name in any format accepted by NPM

dir The target directory from which to uninstall the package, or None for global installation

runas The user to run NPM with

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' npm.uninstall coffee-script
```

20.16.109 salt.modules.omapi

This module interacts with an ISC DHCP Server via OMAPI. server_ip and server_port params may be set in the minion config or pillar:

```
omapi.server_ip: 127.0.0.1
omapi.server_port: 7991
```

depends pypureomapi Python module

```
salt.modules.omapi.add\_host(mac, name=None, ip=None, ddns=False, group=None, super-sede\_host=False)
```

Add a host object for the given mac.

CLI Example:

```
salt dhcp-server omapi.add_host ab:ab:ab:ab:ab:ab:ab name=host1
```

Add ddns-hostname and a fixed-ip statements:

```
salt dhcp-server omapi.add_host ab:ab:ab:ab:ab:ab name=host1 ip=10.1.1.1 ddns=true
```

salt.modules.omapi.delete_host(mac=None, name=None)

Delete the host with the given mac or name.

CLI Examples:

```
salt dhcp-server omapi.delete_host name=host1
salt dhcp-server omapi.delete_host mac=ab:ab:ab:ab:ab:ab
```

20.16.110 salt.modules.openbsdpkg

Package support for OpenBSD

```
salt.modules.openbsdpkg.install(name=None, pkgs=None, sources=None, **kwargs)
Install the passed package
```

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
{'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>',
                      'new': '<new-version>'}}
     CLI Example, Install one package:
     salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
     CLI Example, Install more than one package:
     salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["<package name>", "<package name>"]'
     CLI Example, Install more than one package from a alternate source (e.g. salt file-server, HTTP, FTP, local
     filesystem):
     salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"<pkg name>": "salt://pkgs/<pkg filename>"}]'
salt.modules.openbsdpkg.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
     The available version of the package in the repository
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt.modules.openbsdpkg.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)
     List the packages currently installed as a dict:
     {'<package_name>': '<version>'}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
salt.modules.openbsdpkq.purge(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Package purges are not supported, this function is identical to remove ().
     name The name of the package to be deleted.
     Multiple Package Options:
     pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this
          option is passed.
     New in version 0.16.0.
     Returns a dict containing the changes.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
     salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.openbsdpkg.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Remove a single package with pkg_delete
     Multiple Package Options:
```

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this

option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
    salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
    salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.openbsdpkg.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.111 salt.modules.openbsdservice

```
The service module for OpenBSD
```

```
salt.modules.openbsdservice.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.openbsdservice.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.openbsdservice.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.openbsdservice.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
```

20.16.112 salt.modules.openstack_config

```
Modify, retrieve, or delete values from OpenStack configuration files.
```

```
maintainer Jeffrey C. Ollie <jeff@ocjtech.us>
     maturity new
     depends
     platform linux
salt.modules.openstack_config.delete (filename, section, parameter)
```

Delete a value from an OpenStack configuration file.

```
filename The full path to the configuration file
     section The section from which to delete the parameter
     parameter The parameter to delete
     CLI Example:
     salt-call openstack_config.delete /etc/keystone/keystone.conf sql connection
salt.modules.openstack_config.get (filename, section, parameter)
     Get a value from an OpenStack configuration file.
     filename The full path to the configuration file
     section The section from which to search for the parameter
     parameter The parameter to return
     CLI Example:
     salt-call openstack_config.get /etc/keystone/keystone.conf sql connection
salt.modules.openstack_config.set (filename, section, parameter, value)
     Set a value in an OpenStack configuration file.
     filename The full path to the configuration file
     section The section in which the parameter will be set
     parameter The parameter to change
     value The value to set
     CLI Example:
     salt-call openstack_config.set /etc/keystone/keystone.conf sql connection foo
20.16.113 salt.modules.osxdesktop
Mac OS X implementations of various commands in the "desktop" interface
salt.modules.osxdesktop.get_output_volume()
     Get the output volume (range 0 to 100)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' desktop.get_output_volume
```

CLI Example: salt '*' desktop.get_output_volume salt.modules.osxdesktop.lock() Lock the desktop session CLI Example: salt '*' desktop.lock salt.modules.osxdesktop.say(*words)

salt '*' desktop.say <word0> <word1> ... <wordN>

Say some words. CLI Example:

```
salt.modules.osxdesktop.screensaver()
    Launch the screensaver

CLI Example:
    salt '*' desktop.screensaver

salt.modules.osxdesktop.set_output_volume(volume)
    Set the volume of sound (range 0 to 100)

CLI Example:
    salt '*' desktop.set_output_volume <volume>
```

20.16.114 salt.modules.pacman

A module to wrap pacman calls, since Arch is the best (https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Arch_is_the_best)

```
salt.modules.pacman.file_dict(*packages)
```

List the files that belong to a package, grouped by package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list
```

salt.modules.pacman.file_list(*packages)

List the files that belong to a package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the system's package database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list
```

Install (pacman -S) the passed package, add refresh=True to install with -y, add sysupgrade=True to install with -u.

name The name of the package to be installed. Note that this parameter is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources" is passed. Additionally, please note that this option can only be used to install packages from a software repository. To install a package file manually, use the "sources" option.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
```

refresh Whether or not to refresh the package database before installing.

sysupgrade Whether or not to upgrade the system packages before installing.

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. Must be passed as a python list. A specific version number can be specified by using a single-element dict representing the package and its version. As with the version parameter above, comparison operators can be used to target a specific version of a package.

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "1.2.3-4"}]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "<1.2.3-4"}]'</pre>
```

sources A list of packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package.

CLI Example:

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.pacman.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

salt.modules.pacman.list_pkgs(versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)

List the packages currently installed as a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
```

salt.modules.pacman.list_upgrades (refresh=False)

List all available package upgrades on this system

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
```

```
salt.modules.pacman.purge(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Recursively remove a package and all dependencies which were installed with it, this will call a pacman -Rsc

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

```
salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

```
salt.modules.pacman.refresh_db()
     Just run a pacman -Sy, return a dict:
     {'<database name>': Bool}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
salt.modules.pacman.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Remove packages with pacman -R.
     name The name of the package to be deleted.
     Multiple Package Options:
     pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this
          option is passed.
     New in version 0.16.0.
     Returns a dict containing the changes.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
     salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.pacman.upgrade(refresh=False)
     Run a full system upgrade, a pacman -Syu
     refresh Whether or not to refresh the package database before installing.
     Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:
     {'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>',
                      'new': '<new-version>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.upgrade
salt.modules.pacman.upgrade_available (name)
     Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
salt.modules.pacman.version(*names, **kwargs)
     Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package
     name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.115 salt.modules.pagerduty

Module for Firing Events via PagerDuty

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

depends

• pygerduty python module

configuration This module can be used by either passing a jid and password directly to send_message, or by specifying the name of a configuration profile in the minion config, minion pillar, or master config.

For example:

```
my-pagerduty-account:
    pagerduty.api_key: F3Rbyjbve43rfFWf2214
    pagerduty.subdomain: mysubdomain
```

Create an event in PagerDuty. Designed for use in states.

CLI Example:

pagerduty.create_event <service_key> <description> <details> profile=my-pagerduty-account

The following parameters are required:

service_key This key can be found by using pagerduty.list_services.

description This is a short description of the event.

details This can be a more detailed description of the event.

profile This refers to the configuration profile to use to connect to the PagerDuty service.

salt.modules.pagerduty.list_incidents(profile)

List services belonging to this account

CLI Example:

pagerduty.list_incidents my-pagerduty-account

salt.modules.pagerduty.list_services(profile)

List services belonging to this account

CLI Example:

pagerduty.list_services my-pagerduty-account

20.16.116 salt.modules.pam

Support for pam

```
salt.modules.pam.read_file (file_name)
    This is just a test function, to make sure parsing works
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' pam.read_file /etc/pam.d/login
```

20.16.117 salt.modules.parted

Module for managing partitions on POSIX-like systems.

Some functions may not be available, depending on your version of parted.

Check the manpage for parted (8) for more information, or the online docs at:

http://www.gnu.org/software/parted/manual/html_chapter/parted_2.html

In light of parted not directly supporting partition IDs, some of this module has been written to utilize sfdisk instead. For further information, please reference the man page for sfdisk(8).

```
salt.modules.parted.align_check (device, part_type, partition)
partition.align check device part type partition
```

Check if partition satisfies the alignment constraint of part_type. Type must be "minimal" or "optimal".

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.align_check /dev/sda minimal 1
salt.modules.parted.check (device, minor)
partition.check device minor
```

Checks if the file system on partition <minor> has any errors.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.check 1
salt.modules.parted.cp (device, from_minor, to_minor)
partition.check device from_minor to_minor
```

Copies the file system on the partition <from-minor> to partition <to-minor>, deleting the original contents of the destination partition.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.cp /dev/sda 2 3
salt.modules.parted.exists(device='')
partition.exists device
```

Check to see if the partition exists

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.exists /dev/sdb1
```

```
salt.modules.parted.get_id(device, minor)
```

Prints the system ID for the partition. Some typical values are:

```
b: FAT32 (vfat)
7: HPFS/NTFS
82: Linux Swap
83: Linux
8e: Linux LVM
fd: Linux RAID Auto

CLI Example:
salt '*' partition.qet_id /dev/sda 1
```

```
salt.modules.parted.list (device, unit=None)
partition.list device unit
```

Prints partition information of given <device>

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' partition.list /dev/sda
salt '*' partition.list /dev/sda unit=s
salt '*' partition.list /dev/sda unit=kB
```

salt.modules.parted.mkfs (device, fs_type)
partition.mkfs device fs_type

partition.mklabel device label_type

Makes a file system <fs_type> on partition <device>, destroying all data that resides on that partition. <fs_type> must be one of "ext2", "fat32", "fat16", "linux-swap" or "reiserfs" (if libreiserfs is installed)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.mkfs /dev/sda2 fat32
salt.modules.parted.mklabel(device, label_type)
```

Create a new disklabel (partition table) of label_type. Type should be one of "aix", "amiga", "bsd", "dvh", "gpt", "loop", "mac", "msdos", "pc98", or "sun".

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.mklabel /dev/sda msdos
```

salt.modules.parted.mkpart (device, part_type, fs_type=None, start=None, end=None)
partition.mkpart device part_type fs_type start end

Make a part_type partition for filesystem fs_type, beginning at start and ending at end (by default in megabytes). part_type should be one of "primary", "logical", or "extended".

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' partition.mkpart /dev/sda primary fat32 0 639
salt '*' partition.mkpart /dev/sda primary start=0 end=639
```

salt.modules.parted.mkpartfs (device, part_type, fs_type, start, end)
partition.mkpartfs device part_type fs_type start end

Make a <part_type> partition with a new filesystem of <fs_type>, beginning at <start> and ending at <end> (by default in megabytes). <part_type> should be one of "primary", "logical", or "extended". <fs_type> must be one of "ext2", "fat32", "fat16", "linux-swap" or "reiserfs" (if libreiserfs is installed)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' partition.mkpartfs /dev/sda logical ext2 440 670
```

salt.modules.parted.name (device, partition, name)

partition.name device partition name

Set the name of partition to name. This option works only on Mac, PC98, and GPT disklabels. The name can be placed in quotes, if necessary.

```
salt '*' partition.name /dev/sda 1 'My Documents'
```

```
salt.modules.parted.part_list (device, unit=None)
     Deprecated. Calls partition.list.
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' partition.part_list /dev/sda
     salt '*' partition.part_list /dev/sda unit=s
     salt '*' partition.part_list /dev/sda unit=kB
salt.modules.parted.probe (device='')
     Ask the kernel to update its local partition data
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' partition.probe
     salt '*' partition.probe /dev/sda
salt.modules.parted.rescue(device, start, end)
     partition.rescue device start end
     Rescue a lost partition that was located somewhere between start and end. If a partition is found, parted
          will ask if you want to create an entry for it in the partition table.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' partition.rescue /dev/sda 0 8056
salt.modules.parted.resize(device, minor, start, end)
     partition.resize device minor, start, end
     Resizes the partition with number <minor>. The partition will start <start> from the beginning of the
          disk, and end <end> from the beginning of the disk. resize never changes the minor number. Extended
          partitions can be resized, so long as the new extended partition completely contains all logical partitions.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' partition.resize /dev/sda 3 200 850
salt.modules.parted.rm (device, minor)
     partition.rm device minor
     Removes the partition with number <minor>.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' partition.rm /dev/sda 5
salt.modules.parted.set (device, minor, flag, state)
     partition.set device minor flag state
     Changes a flag on the partition with number <minor>. A flag can be either "on" or "off". Some or all of
          these flags will be available, depending on what disk label you are using.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' partition.set /dev/sda 1 boot on
salt.modules.parted.set_id(device, minor, system_id)
     Sets the system ID for the partition. Some typical values are:
      b: FAT32 (vfat)
      7: HPFS/NTFS
```

82: Linux Swap

```
83: Linux
8e: Linux LVM
fd: Linux RAID Auto

CLI Example:
salt '*' partition.set_id /dev/sda 1 83

salt.modules.parted.system_types()
List the system types that are supported by the installed version of sfdisk
CLI Example:
salt '*' partition.system_types

salt.modules.parted.toggle(device, partition, flag)
partition.toggle device partition flag

Toggle the state of <flag> on <partition>
CLI Example:
salt '*' partition.name /dev/sda 1 boot
```

20.16.118 salt.modules.pecl

Manage PHP pecl extensions.

```
salt.modules.pecl.install(pecls, defaults=False, force=False, preferred_state='stable')
Installs one or several pecl extensions.
```

pecls The pecl extensions to install.

defaults Use default answers for extensions such as pecl_http which ask questions before installation. Without this option, the pecl.installed state will hang indefinitely when trying to install these extensions.

force Whether to force the installed version or not

Note: The defaults option will be available in version 0.17.0.

```
CLI Example:

salt '*' pecl.install fuse

salt.modules.pecl.list()
List installed pecl extensions.

CLI Example:

salt '*' pecl.list

salt.modules.pecl.uninstall(pecls)
Uninstall one or several pecl extensions.

pecls The pecl extensions to uninstall.

CLI Example:

salt '*' pecl.uninstall fuse
```

```
salt.modules.pecl.update (pecls)
     Update one or several pecl extensions.

pecls The pecl extensions to update.

CLI Example:
    salt '*' pecl.update fuse
```

20.16.119 salt.modules.pillar

Extract the pillar data for this minion

```
salt.modules.pillar.ext (external)
   Generate the pillar and apply an explicit external pillar
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' pillar.ext '{libvirt: _}'
salt.modules.pillar.get (key, default='', merge=False)
   New in version 0.14.
```

Attempt to retrieve the named value from pillar, if the named value is not available return the passed default. The default return is an empty string.

If the merge parameter is set to *True*, the default will be recursively merged into the returned pillar data.

The value can also represent a value in a nested dict using a ":" delimiter for the dict. This means that if a dict in pillar looks like this:

```
{'pkg': {'apache': 'httpd'}}
```

To retrieve the value associated with the apache key in the pkg dict this key can be passed:

```
pkg:apache
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pillar.get pkg:apache
salt.modules.pillar.item(*args)
```

Return one ore more pillar entries

CLI Examples:

New in version 0.16.2.

```
salt '*' pillar.item foo
salt '*' pillar.item foo bar baz
salt.modules.pillar.items(*args)
```

Calls the master for a fresh pillar and generates the pillar data on the fly

Contrast with raw () which returns the pillar data that is currently loaded into the minion.

```
salt '*' pillar.items
```

```
salt.modules.pillar.raw(key=None)
```

Return the raw pillar data that is currently loaded into the minion.

Contrast with items () which calls the master to fetch the most up-to-date Pillar.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pillar.raw
```

With the optional key argument, you can select a subtree of the pillar raw data.:

```
salt '*' pillar.raw key='roles'
```

20.16.120 salt.modules.pip

Install Python packages with pip to either the system or a virtualenv

```
salt.modules.pip.freeze(bin_env=None, user=None, runas=None, cwd=None)
Return a list of installed packages either globally or in the specified virtualenv
```

bin_env path to pip bin or path to virtualenv. If doing an uninstall from the system python and want to use a specific pip bin (pip-2.7, pip-2.6, etc..) just specify the pip bin you want. If uninstalling from a virtualenv, just use the path to the virtualenv (/home/code/path/to/virtualenv/)

user The user under which to run pip

Note: The runas argument is deprecated as of 0.16.2. user should be used instead.

cwd Current working directory to run pip from

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pip.freeze /home/code/path/to/virtualenv/
```

```
salt.modules.pip.install(pkgs=None,
                                             requirements=None,
                                                                   env=None,
                                                                                bin env=None,
                                                 log=None, proxy=None, timeout=None,
                               use wheel=False,
                               itable=None, find_links=None, index_url=None, extra_index_url=None,
                               no index=False, mirrors=None, build=None, target=None, down-
                               load=None, download_cache=None, source=None, upgrade=False,
                               force reinstall=False, ignore installed=False, exists action=None,
                                                     no install=False,
                                                                           no download=False,
                               no_deps=False,
                               global_options=None, install_options=None, user=None, runas=None,
                               no_chown=False, cwd=None, activate=False, pre_releases=False,
                               __env__=None, saltenv='base')
```

Install packages with pip

Install packages individually or from a pip requirements file. Install packages globally or to a virtualenv.

pkgs comma separated list of packages to install

requirements path to requirements

bin_env path to pip bin or path to virtualenv. If doing a system install, and want to use a specific pip bin (pip-2.7, pip-2.6, etc..) just specify the pip bin you want. If installing into a virtualenv, just use the path to the virtualenv (/home/code/path/to/virtualenv/)

env deprecated, use bin env now

use wheel Prefer wheel archives (requires pip>=1.4)

log Log file where a complete (maximum verbosity) record will be kept

proxy Specify a proxy in the form user:passwd@proxy.server:port. Note that the user:password@ is optional and required only if you are behind an authenticated proxy. If you provide user@proxy.server:port then you will be prompted for a password.

timeout Set the socket timeout (default 15 seconds)

editable install something editable (i.e. git+https://github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.git#egg=djangoembed)

find_links URL to look for packages at

index_url Base URL of Python Package Index

extra_index_url Extra URLs of package indexes to use in addition to index_url

no_index Ignore package index

mirrors Specific mirror URL(s) to query (automatically adds –use-mirrors)

build Unpack packages into build dir

target Install packages into target dir

download Download packages into download instead of installing them

download_cache Cache downloaded packages in download_cache dir

source Check out editable packages into source dir

upgrade Upgrade all packages to the newest available version

force_reinstall When upgrading, reinstall all packages even if they are already up-to-date.

ignore_installed Ignore the installed packages (reinstalling instead)

exists_action Default action when a path already exists: (s)witch, (i)gnore, (w)wipe, (b)ackup

no_deps Ignore package dependencies

no_install Download and unpack all packages, but don't actually install them

no_download Don't download any packages, just install the ones already downloaded (completes an install run with -no-install)

install_options Extra arguments to be supplied to the setup.py install command (use like –install-option="–install- scripts=/usr/local/bin"). Use multiple –install- option options to pass multiple options to setup.py install. If you are using an option with a directory path, be sure to use absolute path.

global_options Extra global options to be supplied to the setup.py call before the install command.

user The user under which to run pip

Note: The runas argument is deprecated as of 0.16.2. user should be used instead.

no_chown When user is given, do not attempt to copy and chown a requirements file

cwd Current working directory to run pip from

activate Activates the virtual environment, if given via bin_env, before running install.

pre_releases Include pre-releases in the available versions

```
salt '*' pip.install <package name>,<package2 name>
salt '*' pip.install requirements=/path/to/requirements.txt
salt '*' pip.install <package name> bin_env=/path/to/virtualenv
salt '*' pip.install <package name> bin_env=/path/to/pip_bin
```

Complicated CLI example:

```
\verb|salt'*'| pip.install markdown, django editable = git + \texttt{https://github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.github.com/worldcompany/djangoembed.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.github.
```

salt.modules.pip.list (prefix=None, bin_env=None, user=None, runas=None, cwd=None)

Filter list of installed apps from freeze and check to see if prefix exists in the list of packages installed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pip.list salt
```

```
salt.modules.pip.uninstall(pkgs=None, requirements=None, bin\_env=None, log=None, proxy=None, timeout=None, user=None, runas=None, no\_chown=False, cwd=None, \_env\_=None, saltenv='base')
```

Uninstall packages with pip

Uninstall packages individually or from a pip requirements file. Uninstall packages globally or from a virtualenv.

pkgs comma separated list of packages to install

requirements path to requirements

bin_env path to pip bin or path to virtualenv. If doing an uninstall from the system python and want to use a specific pip bin (pip-2.7, pip-2.6, etc..) just specify the pip bin you want. If uninstalling from a virtualenv, just use the path to the virtualenv (/home/code/path/to/virtualenv/)

log Log file where a complete (maximum verbosity) record will be kept

proxy Specify a proxy in the form user:passwd@proxy.server:port. Note that the user:password@ is optional and required only if you are behind an authenticated proxy. If you provide user@proxy.server:port then you will be prompted for a password.

timeout Set the socket timeout (default 15 seconds)

user The user under which to run pip

Note: The runas argument is deprecated as of 0.16.2. user should be used instead.

no_chown When user is given, do not attempt to copy and chown a requirements file

cwd Current working directory to run pip from

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pip.uninstall <package name>,<package2 name>
salt '*' pip.uninstall requirements=/path/to/requirements.txt
salt '*' pip.uninstall <package name> bin_env=/path/to/virtualenv
salt '*' pip.uninstall <package name> bin_env=/path/to/pip_bin
```

salt.modules.pip.version(bin_env=None)

New in version 0.17.0.

Returns the version of pip. Use bin_env to specify the path to a virtualenv and get the version of pip in that virtualenv.

If unable to detect the pip version, returns None.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pip.version
```

20.16.121 salt.modules.pkg_resource

```
Resources needed by pkg providers
```

```
salt.modules.pkg_resource.add_pkg(pkgs, name, version)
```

Add a package to a dict of installed packages.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.add_pkg '{}' bind 9
```

```
salt.modules.pkg_resource.check_extra_requirements(pkgname, pkgver)
```

Check if the installed package already has the given requirements. This function will simply try to call "pkg.check_extra_requirements".

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.check_extra_requirements <pkgname> <extra_requirements>
```

```
salt.modules.pkg_resource.pack_sources(sources)
```

Accepts list of dicts (or a string representing a list of dicts) and packs the key/value pairs into a single dict.

```
'[{"foo": "salt://foo.rpm"}, {"bar": "salt://bar.rpm"}]' would become {"foo": "salt://foo.rpm", "bar": "salt://bar.rpm"}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.pack_sources '[{"foo": "salt://foo.rpm"}, {"bar": "salt://bar.rpm"}]'
```

```
salt.modules.pkg_resource.parse_targets (name=None, pkgs=None, sources=None, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
```

Parses the input to pkg.install and returns back the package(s) to be installed. Returns a list of packages, as well as a string noting whether the packages are to come from a repository or a binary package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.parse_targets
```

```
salt.modules.pkg resource.sort pkglist(pkgs)
```

Accepts a dict obtained from pkg.list_pkgs() and sorts in place the list of versions for any packages that have multiple versions installed, so that two package lists can be compared to one another.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.sort_pkglist '["3.45", "2.13"]'
```

```
\verb|salt.modules.pkg_resource.stringify| (pkgs)
```

Takes a dict of package name/version information and joins each list of installed versions into a string.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.stringify 'vim: 7.127'
```

```
salt.modules.pkg_resource.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Common interface for obtaining the version of installed packages.

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.version vim
salt '*' pkg_resource.version foo bar baz
salt '*' pkg_resource.version 'python*'
```

salt.modules.pkg_resource.version_clean(version)

Clean the version string removing extra data. This function will simply try to call pkg.version_clean.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg_resource.version_clean <version_string>
```

20.16.122 salt.modules.pkgin

Package support for pkgin based systems, inspired from freebsdpkg module

```
salt.modules.pkgin.available version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name> salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> ...
```

salt.modules.pkgin.file_dict(package)

List the files that belong to a package.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list nginx
```

salt.modules.pkgin.file_list(package)

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CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list nginx
```

Install the passed package

name The name of the package to be installed.

refresh Whether or not to refresh the package database before installing.

fromrepo Specify a package repository to install from.

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. Must be passed as a python list.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo","bar"]'
```

sources A list of packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package.

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"foo": "salt://foo.deb"}, {"bar": "salt://bar.deb"}]'
     Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:
     {'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>',
                      'new': '<new-version>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
salt.modules.pkgin.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
     Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation.
     If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> ...
salt.modules.pkgin.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)
     List the packages currently installed as a dict:
     {'<package_name>': '<version>'}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkq.list_pkqs
salt.modules.pkgin.purge (name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Package purges are not supported, this function is identical to remove ().
     name The name of the package to be deleted.
     Multiple Package Options:
     pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this
          option is passed.
     New in version 0.16.0.
     Returns a dict containing the changes.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
     salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.pkgin.refresh_db()
     Use pkg update to get latest pkg summary
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
salt.modules.pkgin.rehash()
     Recomputes internal hash table for the PATH variable. Use whenever a new command is created during the
     current session.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.rehash
salt.modules.pkgin.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a list containing the removed packages.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>,<package2>,<package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

salt.modules.pkgin.search(pkg_name)

Searches for an exact match using pkgin ^package\$

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search 'mysql-server'
```

```
salt.modules.pkgin.upgrade()
```

Run pkg upgrade, if pkgin used. Otherwise do nothing

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade
```

```
salt.modules.pkgin.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.123 salt.modules.pkgng

Support for pkgng, the new package manager for FreeBSD

Warning: This module has been completely rewritten. Up to and including version 0.17.x, it was available as the pkgng module, (pkgng.install, pkgng.delete, etc.), but moving forward this module will no longer be available as pkgng, as it will behave like a normal Salt pkg provider. The documentation below should not be considered to apply to this module in versions <= 0.17.x. If your minion is running a 0.17.x release or older, then the documentation for this module can be viewed using the sys.doc function:

```
salt bsdminion sys.doc pkgng
```

This module provides an interface to pkg (8). It acts as the default package provider for FreeBSD 10 and newer. For FreeBSD hosts which have been upgraded to use pkgng, you will need to override the pkg provider by setting the providers parameter in your Minion config file, in order to use this module to manage packages, like so:

```
providers:
    pkg: pkgng

salt.modules.pkgng.audit (jail=None, chroot=None)
    Audits installed packages against known vulnerabilities
    CLI Example:
```

salt '*' pkg.audit

jail Audit packages within the specified jail

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.audit jail=<jail name or id>
```

chroot Audit packages within the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.audit chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

salt.modules.pkgng.autoremove(jail=None, chroot=None, dryrun=False)

Delete packages which were automatically installed as dependencies and are not required anymore.

dryrun Dry-run mode. The list of changes to packages is always printed, but no changes are actually made.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.autoremove
salt '*' pkg.autoremove jail=<jail name or id>
salt '*' pkg.autoremove dryrun=True
salt '*' pkg.autoremove jail=<jail name or id> dryrun=True
```

salt.modules.pkgng.backup(file_name, jail=None, chroot=None)

Export installed packages into yaml+mtree file

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.backup /tmp/pkg
```

jail Backup packages from the specified jail. Note that this will run the command within the jail, and so the path to the backup file will be relative to the root of the jail

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.backup /tmp/pkg jail=<jail name or id>
```

chroot Backup packages from the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified). Note that this will run the command within the chroot, and so the path to the backup file will be relative to the root of the chroot.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.backup /tmp/pkg chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

 $salt.modules.pkgng.\textbf{check}\ (jail=None,\ chroot=None,\ depends=False,\ recompute=False,\ check-sum=False)$

Sanity checks installed packages

```
jail Perform the sanity check in the specified jail
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.check jail=<jail name or id>
     chroot Perform the sanity check in the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.check chroot=/path/to/chroot
     Of the below, at least one must be set to True.
     depends Check for and install missing dependencies.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.check recompute=True
     recompute Recompute sizes and checksums of installed packages.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.check depends=True
     checksum Find invalid checksums for installed packages.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.check checksum=True
salt.modules.pkgng.clean(jail=None, chroot=None)
     Cleans the local cache of fetched remote packages
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.clean
     salt '*' pkg.clean jail=<jail name or id>
     salt '*' pkg.clean chroot=/path/to/chroot
salt.modules.pkgnq.fetch (name, jail=None, chroot=None, fetch all=False, quiet=False, from-
                                repo=None, glob=True, regex=False, pcre=False, local=False, de-
                                pends=False)
     Fetches remote packages
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name>
     jail Fetch package in the specified jail
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> jail=<jail name or id>
     chroot Fetch package in the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

fetch_all Fetch all packages.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> fetch_all=True
     quiet Quiet mode. Show less output.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> quiet=True
     from repo Fetches packages from the given repo if multiple repo support is enabled. See pkg.conf (5).
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkq.fetch <package name> fromrepo=repo
     glob Treat pkg_name as a shell glob pattern.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> glob=True
     regex Treat pkg_name as a regular expression.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <regular expression> regex=True
     pcre Treat pkg_name is an extended regular expression.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <extended regular expression> pcre=True
     local Skip updating the repository catalogues with pkg-update(8). Use the local cache only.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> local=True
     depends Fetch the package and its dependencies as well.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.fetch <package name> depends=True
salt.modules.pkgng.install(name=None, fromrepo=None, pkgs=None, sources=None, jail=None,
                                   chroot=None, orphan=False, force=False, glob=False, local=False,
                                   dryrun=False, quiet=False, require=False, regex=False, pcre=False,
                                   **kwargs)
     Install package(s) from a repository
     name The name of the package to install
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
     jail Install the package into the specified jail
     chroot Install the paackage into the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)
     orphan Mark the installed package as orphan. Will be automatically removed if no other packages depend on
          them. For more information please refer to pkg-autoremove (8).
          CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> orphan=True
```

force Force the reinstallation of the package if already installed.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> force=True
```

glob Treat the package names as shell glob patterns.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> glob=True
```

local Do not update the repository catalogues with pkg-update(8). A value of True here is equivalent to using the -U flag with pkg install.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> local=True
```

dryrun Dru-run mode. The list of changes to packages is always printed, but no changes are actually made.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> dryrun=True
```

quiet Force quiet output, except when dryrun is used, where pkg install will always show packages to be installed, upgraded or deleted.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> quiet=True
```

require When used with force, reinstalls any packages that require the given package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> require=True force=True
```

fromrepo In multi-repo mode, override the pkg.conf ordering and only attempt to download packages from the named repository.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name> fromrepo=repo
```

regex Treat the package names as a regular expression

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <regular expression> regex=True
```

pcre Treat the package names as extended regular expressions.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <extended regular expression> pcre=True
```

```
salt.modules.pkgng.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

jail List the packages in the specified jail

chroot List the pacakges in the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

with_origin [False] Return a nested dictionary containing both the origin name and version for each installed package.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs jail=<jail name or id>
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

salt.modules.pkgng.parse_config(file_name='/usr/local/etc/pkg.conf')

Return dict of uncommented global variables.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.parse_config
```

NOTE: not working properly right now

```
salt.modules.pkgng.refresh_db (jail=None, chroot=None, force=False)
```

Refresh PACKAGESITE contents

Note: This function can accessed using pkg.update in addition to pkg.refresh_db, to more closely match the CLI usage of pkg(8).

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

jail Refresh the pkg database within the specified jail

chroot Refresh the pkg database within the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

force Force a full download of the repository catalogue without regard to the respective ages of the local and remote copies of the catalogue.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db force=True
```

```
salt.modules.pkgng.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, jail=None, chroot=None, all_installed=False, force=False, glob=False, dryrun=False, recurse=False, regex=False, pcre=False, **kwargs)
```

Remove a package from the database and system

Note: This function can accessed using pkg.delete in addition to pkg.remove, to more closely match the CLI usage of pkg (8).

name The package to remove

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
```

jail Delete the package from the specified jail

chroot Delete the paackage grom the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

all_installed Deletes all installed packages from the system and empties the database. USE WITH CAUTION!

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove all all_installed=True force=True
```

force Forces packages to be removed despite leaving unresolved dependencies.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name> force=True
```

glob Treat the package names as shell glob patterns.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name> glob=True
```

dryrun Dry run mode. The list of packages to delete is always printed, but no packages are actually deleted.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name> dryrun=True
```

recurse Delete all packages that require the listed package as well.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name> recurse=True
```

regex Treat the package names as regular expressions.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <regular expression> regex=True
```

pcre Treat the package names as extended regular expressions.

CLI Example:

```
salt '\star' pkg.remove <extended regular expression> pcre=True
```

salt.modules.pkgng.restore(file_name, jail=None, chroot=None)

Reads archive created by pkg backup -d and recreates the database.

```
salt '*' pkg.restore /tmp/pkg
```

jail Restore database to the specified jail. Note that this will run the command within the jail, and so the path to the file from which the pkg database will be restored is relative to the root of the jail.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.restore /tmp/pkg jail=<jail name or id>
```

chroot Restore database to the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified). Note that this will run the command within the chroot, and so the path to the file from which the pkg database will be restored is relative to the root of the chroot.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.restore /tmp/pkg chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

salt.modules.pkgng.search (name, jail=None, chroot=None, exact=False, glob=False, regex=False, pcre=False, comment=False, desc=False, full=False, depends=False, size=False, quiet=False, origin=False, prefix=False)

Searches in remote package repositories

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern
```

jail Perform the search using the pkg.conf (5) from the specified jail

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern jail=<jail name or id>
```

chroot Perform the search using the pkg.conf (5) from the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

exact Treat pattern as exact pattern.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern exact=True
```

glob Treat pattern as a shell glob pattern.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern glob=True
```

regex Treat pattern as a regular expression.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern regex=True
```

pcre Treat pattern as an extended regular expression.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.search pattern pcre=True
```

comment Search for pattern in the package comment one-line description.

```
desc Search for pattern in the package description.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern desc=True
     full Displays full information about the matching packages.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern full=True
     depends Displays the dependencies of pattern.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern depends=True
     size Displays the size of the package
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern size=True
     quiet Be quiet. Prints only the requested information without displaying many hints.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern quiet=True
     origin Displays pattern origin.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern origin=True
     prefix Displays the installation prefix for each package matching pattern.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.search pattern prefix=True
salt.modules.pkgng.stats(local=False, remote=False, jail=None, chroot=None)
     Return pkgng stats.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.stats
     local Display stats only for the local package database.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.stats local=True
     remote Display stats only for the remote package database(s).
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.stats remote=True
```

salt '*' pkg.search pattern comment=True

```
jail Retrieve stats from the specified jail.
         CLI Example:
         salt '*' pkg.stats jail=<jail name or id>
         salt '*' pkg.stats jail=<jail name or id> local=True
         salt '*' pkg.stats jail=<jail name or id> remote=True
     chroot Retrieve stats from the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified).
         CLI Example:
         salt '*' pkg.stats chroot=/path/to/chroot
         salt '*' pkg.stats chroot=/path/to/chroot local=True
         salt '*' pkg.stats chroot=/path/to/chroot remote=True
salt.modules.pkgng.update_package_site (new_url)
     Updates remote package repo URL, PACKAGESITE var to be exact.
     Must use http://, ftp://, or https:// protocol
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.update_package_site http://127.0.0.1/
salt.modules.pkgng.updating(name, jail=None, chroot=None, filedate=None, filename=None)
     ' Displays UPDATING entries of software packages
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.updating foo
     jail Perform the action in the specified jail
         CLI Example:
         salt '*' pkg.updating foo jail=<jail name or id>
     chroot Perform the action in the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)
         CLI Example:
         salt '*' pkg.updating foo chroot=/path/to/chroot
     filedate Only entries newer than date are shown. Use a YYYYMMDD date format.
         CLI Example:
         salt '*' pkg.updating foo filedate=20130101
     filename Defines an alternative location of the UPDATING file.
         CLI Example:
         salt '*' pkg.updating foo filename=/tmp/UPDATING
salt.modules.pkgng.upgrade (jail=None, chroot=None, force=False, local=False, dryrun=False)
     Upgrade all packages (run a pkg upgrade)
```

CLI Example:

salt '*' pkg.upgrade

jail Audit packages within the specified jail

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade jail=<jail name or id>
```

chroot Audit packages within the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade chroot=/path/to/chroot
```

Any of the below options can also be used with jail or chroot.

force Force reinstalling/upgrading the whole set of packages.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade force=True
```

local Do not update the repository catalogues with pkg-update (8). A value of True here is equivalent to using the -U flag with pkg upgrade.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade local=True
```

dryrun Dry-run mode: show what packages have updates available, but do not perform any upgrades. Repository catalogues will be updated as usual unless the local option is also given.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade dryrun=True
```

```
salt.modules.pkgng.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

Note: This function can accessed using pkg.info in addition to pkg.version, to more closely match the CLI usage of pkg(8).

jail Get package version information for the specified jail

chroot Get package version information for the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)

with_origin [False] Return a nested dictionary containing both the origin name and version for each specified package.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package name> jail=<jail name or id>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

salt.modules.pkgng.which(path, jail=None, chroot=None, origin=False, quiet=False)

Displays which package installed a specific file

```
salt '*' pkg.which <file name>
     jail Perform the check in the specified jail
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.which <file name> jail=<jail name or id>
     chroot Perform the check in the specified chroot (ignored if jail is specified)
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.which <file name> chroot=/path/to/chroot
     origin Shows the origin of the package instead of name-version.
          CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.which <file name> origin=True
     quiet Quiet output.
         CLI Example:
          salt '*' pkg.which <file name> quiet=True
20.16.124 salt.modules.pkgutil
Pkgutil support for Solaris
salt.modules.pkgutil.install(name=None,
                                                   refresh=False,
                                                                   version=None,
                                                                                   pkgs=None,
                                     **kwargs)
     Install packages using the pkgutil tool.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.install <package_name>
     salt '*' pkg.install SMClgcc346
     Multiple Package Installation Options:
```

pkgs A list of packages to install from OpenCSW. Must be passed as a python list.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "1.2.3"}]'
```

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.pkgutil.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

```
salt '*' pkgutil.latest_version CSWpython
     salt '*' pkgutil.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
salt.modules.pkgutil.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)
     List the packages currently installed as a dict:
     {'<package_name>': '<version>'}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
     salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs versions_as_list=True
salt.modules.pkgutil.list_upgrades(refresh=True)
     List all available package upgrades on this system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkgutil.list_upgrades
salt.modules.pkgutil.purge (name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Package purges are not supported, this function is identical to remove ().
     name The name of the package to be deleted.
     Multiple Package Options:
     pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this
          option is passed.
     New in version 0.16.0.
     Returns a dict containing the changes.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
     salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.pkgutil.refresh db()
     Updates the pkgutil repo database (pkgutil -U)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkgutil.refresh_db
salt.modules.pkgutil.remove (name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
     Remove a package and all its dependencies which are not in use by other packages.
     name The name of the package to be deleted.
     Multiple Package Options:
     pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this
          option is passed.
```

CLI Example:

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>,<package2>,<package3>
     salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.pkgutil.upgrade(refresh=True, **kwargs)
     Upgrade all of the packages to the latest available version.
     Returns a dict containing the changes:
     {'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>',
                     'new': '<new-version>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkgutil.upgrade
salt.modules.pkgutil.upgrade_available (name)
     Check if there is an upgrade available for a certain package
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkgutil.upgrade_available CSWpython
salt.modules.pkgutil.version(*names, **kwargs)
     Returns a version if the package is installed, else returns an empty string
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkqutil.version CSWpython
20.16.125 salt.modules.portage config
Configure portage (5)
salt.modules.portage_config.append_to_package_conf (conf,
                                                                                flags=None,
                                                              string='', overwrite=False)
     Append a string or a list of flags for a given package or DEPEND atom to a given configuration file.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' portage_config.append_to_package_conf use string="app-admin/salt ldap -libvirt"
     salt '*' portage_config.append_to_package_conf use atom="> = app-admin/salt-0.14.1" flags="['lda
salt.modules.portage_config.append_use_flags (atom, uses=None, overwrite=False)
     Append a list of use flags for a given package or DEPEND atom
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' portage_config.append_use_flags "app-admin/salt[ldap, -libvirt]"
     salt '*' portage_config.append_use_flags ">=app-admin/salt-0.14.1" "['ldap', '-libvirt']"
salt.modules.portage_config.enforce_nice_config()
     Enforce a nice tree structure for /etc/portage/package.* configuration files.
     See also:
     salt.modules.ebuild.ex_mod_init() for information on automatically running this when pkg is
         used.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' portage_config.enforce_nice_config
```

salt.modules.portage_config.get_flags_from_package_conf(conf, atom)

Get flags for a given package or DEPEND atom. Warning: This only works if the configuration files tree is in the correct format (the one enforced by enforce_nice_config)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' portage_config.get_flags_from_package_conf license salt
```

salt.modules.portage_config.get_missing_flags(conf, atom, flags)

Find out which of the given flags are currently not set. CLI Example:

```
salt '*' portage_config.get_missing_flags use salt "['ldap', '-libvirt', 'openssl']"
```

```
salt.modules.portage_config.has_flag(conf, atom, flag)
```

Verify if the given package or DEPEND atom has the given flag. Warning: This only works if the configuration files tree is in the correct format (the one enforced by enforce nice config)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' portage_config.has_flag license salt Apache-2.0
```

```
salt.modules.portage_config.has_use(atom, use)
```

Verify if the given package or DEPEND atom has the given use flag. Warning: This only works if the configuration files tree is in the correct format (the one enforced by enforce_nice_config)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' portage_config.has_use salt libvirt
```

```
salt.modules.portage_config.is_present(conf, atom)
```

Tell if a given package or DEPEND atom is present in the configuration files tree. Warning: This only works if the configuration files tree is in the correct format (the one enforced by enforce_nice_config)

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' portage_config.is_present unmask salt
```

20.16.126 salt.modules.postgres

Module to provide Postgres compatibility to salt.

configuration In order to connect to Postgres, certain configuration is required in /etc/salt/minion on the relevant minions. Some sample configs might look like:

```
postgres.host: 'localhost'
postgres.port: '5432'
postgres.user: 'postgres' -> db user
postgres.pass: ''
postgres.maintenance_db: 'postgres'
```

The default for the maintenance_db is 'postgres' and in most cases it can be left at the default setting. This data can also be passed into pillar. Options passed into opts will overwrite options passed into pillar

List available postgresql extensions

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.available_extensions
salt.modules.postgres.create_extension(name,
                                                         if_not_exists=None,
                                                                              schema=None,
                                               ext_version=None,
                                                                         from_version=None,
                                               user=None, host=None, port=None, mainte-
                                               nance db=None, password=None, runas=None)
     Install a postgresql extension
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.create_extension 'adminpack'
salt.modules.postgres.create_metadata(name, ext_version=None, schema=None, user=None,
                                              host=None, port=None, maintenance_db=None,
                                              password=None, runas=None)
     Get lifecycle informations about an extension
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.create_metadata adminpack
salt.modules.postgres.db alter(name,
                                              user=None,
                                                          host=None.
                                                                       port=None,
                                                                                    mainte-
                                                        password=None.
                                     nance_db=None,
                                                                           tablespace=None,
                                      owner=None, runas=None)
     Change tablesbase or/and owner of databse.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.db_alter dbname owner=otheruser
salt.modules.postgres.db_create(name,
                                              user=None,
                                                           host=None,
                                                                       port=None,
                                       nance db=None, password=None, tablespace=None, encod-
                                       ing=None, lc_collate=None, lc_ctype=None, owner=None,
                                       template=None, runas=None)
     Adds a databases to the Postgres server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.db_create 'dbname'
     salt '*' postgres.db_create 'dbname' template=template_postgis
                                              user=None,
salt.modules.postgres.db_exists(name,
                                                           host=None,
                                                                       port=None,
                                                                                    mainte-
                                       nance db=None, password=None, runas=None)
     Checks if a database exists on the Postgres server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.db_exists 'dbname'
salt.modules.postgres.db_list(user=None, host=None, port=None, maintenance_db=None,
                                    password=None, runas=None)
     Return dictionary with information about databases of a Postgres server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.db_list
salt.modules.postgres.db_remove(name,
                                              user=None, host=None, port=None,
                                                                                    mainte-
                                       nance db=None, password=None, runas=None)
     Removes a databases from the Postgres server.
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.db_remove 'dbname'
salt.modules.postgres.drop_extension(name, if_exists=None, restrict=None, cascade=None,
                                             user=None,
                                                          host=None,
                                                                       port=None,
                                                                                    mainte-
                                             nance_db=None, password=None, runas=None)
     Drop an installed postgresql extension
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.drop_extension 'adminpack'
salt.modules.postgres.get_available_extension(name,
                                                                  user=None.
                                                                                 host=None.
                                                        port=None,
                                                                       maintenance_db=None,
                                                        password=None, runas=None)
     Get info about an available postgresql extension
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.get_available_extension plpgsql
salt.modules.postgres.get_installed_extension(name,
                                                                  user=None,
                                                                                 host=None,
                                                                       maintenance db=None,
                                                        port=None,
                                                        password=None, runas=None)
     Get info about an installed postgresql extension
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.get_installed_extension plpgsql
salt.modules.postgres.group_create(groupname, user=None, host=None, port=None, main-
                                          tenance_db=None, password=None, createdb=None,
                                          createuser=None, createroles=None, encrypted=None,
                                           login=None, inherit=None, superuser=None, repli-
                                           cation=None.
                                                          rolepassword=None,
                                                                               groups=None,
                                           runas=None)
     Creates a Postgres group. A group is postgres is similar to a user, but cannot login.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.group_create 'groupname' user='user' \
             host='hostname' port='port' password='password' \
             rolepassword='rolepassword'
salt.modules.postgres.group_remove(groupname, user=None, host=None, port=None, mainte-
                                          nance db=None, password=None, runas=None)
     Removes a group from the Postgres server.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.group_remove 'groupname'
salt.modules.postgres.group_update(groupname, user=None, host=None, port=None, main-
                                          tenance_db=None, password=None, createdb=None,
                                          createroles=None, createuser=None, encrypted=None,
                                          inherit=None, login=None, superuser=None, repli-
                                           cation=None.
                                                         rolepassword=None,
                                                                              groups=None,
                                           runas=None)
     Updated a postgres group
```

```
salt '*' postgres.group_update 'username' user='user' \
              host='hostname' port='port' password='password' \
              rolepassword='rolepassword'
salt.modules.postgres.installed_extensions(user=None,
                                                                    host=None,
                                                                                  port=None,
                                                     maintenance db=None,
                                                                             password=None,
                                                     runas=None)
     List installed postgresql extensions
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.installed_extensions
salt.modules.postgres.is_available_extension (name, user=None, host=None, port=None,
                                                        maintenance db=None, password=None,
                                                        runas=None)
     Test if a specific extension is installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.is_installed_extension
salt.modules.postgres.is_installed_extension (name, user=None, host=None, port=None,
                                                        maintenance db=None, password=None,
                                                        runas=None)
     Test if a specific extension is installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.is_installed_extension
salt.modules.postgres.owner_to (dbname, ownername, user=None, host=None, port=None, pass-
                                      word=None, runas=None)
     Set the owner of all schemas, functions, tables, views and sequences to the given username.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.owner_to 'dbname' 'username'
salt.modules.postgres.psql_query (query, user=None,
                                                             host=None, port=None, mainte-
                                         nance_db=None, password=None, runas=None)
     Run an SQL-Query and return the results as a list. This command only supports SELECT statements.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.psql_query 'select * from pg_stat_activity'
salt.modules.postgres.role_get (name,
                                              user=None,
                                                           host=None,
                                                                        port=None,
                                                                                     mainte-
                                      nance\_db=None,
                                                        password=None,
                                                                          runas=None,
                                                                                          re-
                                      turn_password=False)
     Return a dict with information about users of a Postgres server.
     Set return_password to True to get password hash in the result.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' postgres.role_get postgres
```

```
salt.modules.postgres.user_create (username, user=None, host=None, port=None, main-
tenance_db=None, password=None, createdb=None,
createuser=None, createroles=None, inherit=None,
login=None, encrypted=None, superuser=None, repli-
cation=None, rolepassword=None, groups=None,
runas=None)
```

Creates a Postgres user.

CLI Examples:

salt.modules.postgres.user_exists(name, user=None, host=None, port=None, maintenance db=None, password=None, runas=None)

Checks if a user exists on the Postgres server.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' postgres.user_exists 'username'
```

Return a dict with information about users of a Postgres server.

Set return_password to True to get password hash in the result.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' postgres.user_list
```

salt.modules.postgres.user_remove(username, user=None, host=None, port=None, maintenance_db=None, password=None, runas=None)

Removes a user from the Postgres server.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' postgres.user_remove 'username'
```

salt.modules.postgres.user_update (username, user=None, host=None, port=None, mainte-nance_db=None, password=None, createdb=None, createdb=None, createdb=None, createroles=None, encrypted=None, superuser=None, inherit=None, login=None, replication=None, rolepassword=None, groups=None, runas=None)

Creates a Postgres user.

CLI Examples:

Return the version of a Postgres server.

```
salt '*' postgres.version
```

20.16.127 salt.modules.poudriere

```
Support for poudriere
salt.modules.poudriere.bulk_build(jail, pkg_file, keep=False)
     Run bulk build on poudriere server.
     Return number of pkg builds, failures, and errors, on error dump to CLI
     CLI Example:
     salt -N buildbox_group poudriere.bulk_build 90amd64 /root/pkg_list
salt.modules.poudriere.create_jail (name, arch, version='9.0-RELEASE')
     Creates a new poudriere jail if one does not exist
     NOTE creating a new jail will take some time the master is not hanging
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' poudriere.create_jail 90amd64 amd64
salt.modules.poudriere.create_ports_tree()
     Not working need to run portfetch non interactive
salt.modules.poudriere.delete_jail(name)
     Deletes poudriere jail with name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' poudriere.delete_jail 90amd64
salt.modules.poudriere.is_jail(name)
     Return True if jail exists False if not
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' poudriere.is_jail <jail name>
salt.modules.poudriere.list_jails()
     Return a list of current jails managed by poudriere
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' poudriere.list_jails
salt.modules.poudriere.list_ports()
     Return a list of current port trees managed by poudriere
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' poudriere.list_ports
salt.modules.poudriere.make_pkgng_aware(jname)
     Make jail jname pkgng aware
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' poudriere.make_pkgng_aware <jail name>
salt.modules.poudriere.parse_config(config_file=None)
     Returns a dict of poudriere main configuration definitions
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' poudriere.parse_config

salt.modules.poudriere.update_jail (name)
   Run freebsd-update on name poudriere jail

CLI Example:
   salt '*' poudriere.update_jail freebsd:10:x86:64

salt.modules.poudriere.update_ports_tree (ports_tree)
   Updates the ports tree, either the default or the ports_tree specified
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' poudriere.update_ports_tree staging

salt.modules.poudriere.version ()
   Return poudriere version
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' poudriere.version
```

20.16.128 salt.modules.powerpath

powerpath support.

```
Assumes RedHat
```

```
salt.modules.powerpath.add_license(key)
    Add a license
salt.modules.powerpath.has_powerpath()
salt.modules.powerpath.list_licenses()
    returns a list of applied powerpath license keys
salt.modules.powerpath.remove_license(key)
    Remove a license
```

20.16.129 salt.modules.ps

A salt interface to psutil, a system and process library. See http://code.google.com/p/psutil.

depends

- psutil Python module, version 0.3.0 or later
- python-utmp package (optional)

```
salt.modules.ps.boot time()
```

Return the boot time in number of seconds since the epoch began.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' ps.boot_time
salt.modules.ps.cached_physical_memory()
Deprecated since version Helium: Use ps.virtual_memory instead.
```

Return the amount cached memory.

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.cached_physical_memory
salt.modules.ps.cpu_percent (interval=0.1, per_cpu=False)
     Return the percent of time the CPU is busy.
     interval the number of seconds to sample CPU usage over
     per_cpu if True return an array of CPU percent busy for each CPU, otherwise aggregate all percents into one
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.cpu_percent
salt.modules.ps.cpu_times (per_cpu=False)
     Return the percent of time the CPU spends in each state, e.g. user, system, idle, nice, iowait, irq, softirq.
     per_cpu if True return an array of percents for each CPU, otherwise aggregate all percents into one number
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.cpu_times
salt.modules.ps.disk io counters()
     Return disk I/O statisitics.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.disk_io_counters
salt.modules.ps.disk partition usage(all=False)
     Return a list of disk partitions plus the mount point, filesystem and usage statistics.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.disk_partition_usage
salt.modules.ps.disk_partitions(all=False)
     Return a list of disk partitions and their device, mount point, and filesystem type.
     all if set to False, only return local, physical partitions (hard disk, USB, CD/DVD partitions). If True, return all
          filesystems.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.disk_partitions
salt.modules.ps.disk_usage(path)
     Given a path, return a dict listing the total available space as well as the free space, and used space.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.disk_usage /home
salt.modules.ps.get_pid_list()
     Return a list of process ids (PIDs) for all running processes.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.get_pid_list
```

```
salt.modules.ps.get_users()
     Return logged-in users.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.get_users
salt.modules.ps.kill_pid(pid, signal=15)
     Kill a process by PID.
     salt 'minion' ps.kill_pid pid [signal=signal_number]
     pid PID of process to kill.
     signal Signal to send to the process. See manpage entry for kill for possible values. Default: 15 (SIGTERM).
     Example:
     Send SIGKILL to process with PID 2000:
     salt 'minion' ps.kill_pid 2000 signal=9
salt.modules.ps.network_io_counters()
     Return network I/O statisitics.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.network_io_counters
salt.modules.ps.num_cpus()
     Return the number of CPUs.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.num_cpus
salt.modules.ps.pgrep(pattern, user=None, full=False)
     Return the pids for processes matching a pattern.
     If full is true, the full command line is searched for a match, otherwise only the name of the command is
     searched.
     salt '*' ps.pgrep pattern [user=username] [full=(true|false)]
     pattern Pattern to search for in the process list.
     user Limit matches to the given username. Default: All users.
     full A boolean value indicating whether only the name of the command or the full command line should be
          matched against the pattern.
     Examples:
     Find all httpd processes on all 'www' minions:
     salt 'www.*' ps.pgrep httpd
     Find all bash processes owned by user 'tom':
     salt '*' ps.pgrep bash user=tom
```

```
salt.modules.ps.physical_memory_buffers()
     Deprecated since version Helium: Use ps. virtual memory instead.
     Return the amount of physical memory buffers.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.physical_memory_buffers
salt.modules.ps.physical_memory_usage()
     Deprecated since version Helium: Use ps.virtual_memory instead.
     Return a dict that describes free and available physical memory.
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' ps.physical_memory_usage
salt.modules.ps.pkill (pattern, user=None, signal=15, full=False)
     Kill processes matching a pattern.
     salt '*' ps.pkill pattern [user=username] [signal=signal_number] \
               [full=(true|false)]
     pattern Pattern to search for in the process list.
     user Limit matches to the given username. Default: All users.
     signal Signal to send to the process(es). See manpage entry for kill for possible values. Default: 15
          (SIGTERM).
     full A boolean value indicating whether only the name of the command or the full command line should be
          matched against the pattern.
     Examples:
     Send SIGHUP to all httpd processes on all 'www' minions:
     salt 'www.*' ps.pkill httpd signal=1
     Send SIGKILL to all bash processes owned by user 'tom':
     salt '*' ps.pkill bash signal=9 user=tom
salt.modules.ps.swap_memory()
     New in version Helium.
     Return a dict that describes swap memory statistics.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ps.swap_memory
salt.modules.ps.top(num_processes=5, interval=3)
     Return a list of top CPU consuming processes during the interval. num processes = return the top N CPU
     consuming processes interval = the number of seconds to sample CPU usage over
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' ps.top
     salt '*' ps.top 5 10
```

```
salt.modules.ps.total_physical_memory()
    Return the total number of bytes of physical memory.

CLI Example:
    salt '*' ps.total_physical_memory

salt.modules.ps.virtual_memory()
    New in version Helium.

Return a dict that describes statistics about system memory usage.

CLI Example:
    salt '*' ps.virtual_memory_usage()
    Deprecated since version Helium: Use ps.virtual_memory instead.

Return a dict that describes free and available memory, both physical and virtual.

CLI Example:
```

20.16.130 salt.modules.publish

salt '*' ps.virtual_memory_usage

Publish a command from a minion to a target

```
salt.modules.publish.full_data (tgt, fun, arg=None, expr_form='glob', returner='', timeout=5) Return the full data about the publication, this is invoked in the same way as the publish function
```

CLI Example:

```
salt system.example.com publish.full_data '*' cmd.run 'ls -la /tmp'
```

Attention

If you need to pass a value to a function argument and that value contains an equal sign, you **must** include the argument name. For example:

```
salt '*' publish.full_data test.kwarg arg='cheese=spam'
```

```
salt.modules.publish.publish(tgt, fun, arg=None, expr_form='glob', returner='', timeout=5)
Publish a command from the minion out to other minions.
```

Publications need to be enabled on the Salt master and the minion needs to have permission to publish the command. The Salt master will also prevent a recursive publication loop, this means that a minion cannot command another minion to command another minion as that would create an infinite command loop.

The expr_form argument is used to pass a target other than a glob into the execution, the available options are:

```
•glob
•pcre
•grain
•grain_pcre
•pillar
```

```
•ipcidr
```

•range

compound

The arguments sent to the minion publish function are separated with commas. This means that for a minion executing a command with multiple args it will look like this:

```
salt system.example.com publish.publish '*' user.add 'foo,1020,1020'
salt system.example.com publish.publish 'os:Fedora' network.interfaces '' grain
CLI Example:
salt system.example.com publish.publish '*' cmd.run 'ls -la /tmp'
```

Attention

If you need to pass a value to a function argument and that value contains an equal sign, you **must** include the argument name. For example:

```
salt '*' publish.publish test.kwarg arg='cheese=spam'
```

```
salt.modules.publish.runner(fun, arg=None, timeout=5)
```

Execute a runner on the master and return the data from the runner function

CLI Example:

```
salt publish.runner manage.down
```

20.16.131 salt.modules.puppet

Execute puppet routines

```
salt.modules.puppet.fact (name, puppet=False)
Run facter for a specific fact
CLI Example:
    salt '*' puppet.fact kernel

salt.modules.puppet.facts (puppet=False)
Run facter and return the results
CLI Example:
    salt '*' puppet.facts

salt.modules.puppet.noop (*args, **kwargs)
```

Execute a puppet noop run and return a dict with the stderr, stdout, return code, etc. Usage is the same as for puppet.run.

```
salt '*' puppet.noop
salt '*' puppet.noop tags=basefiles::edit,apache::server
salt '*' puppet.noop debug
salt '*' puppet.noop apply /a/b/manifest.pp modulepath=/a/b/modules tags=basefiles::edit,apache:
```

```
salt.modules.puppet.run(*args, **kwargs)
```

Execute a puppet run and return a dict with the stderr, stdout, return code, etc. The first positional argument given is checked as a subcommand. Following positional arguments should be ordered with arguments required by the subcommand first, followed by non-keyvalue pair options. Tags are specified by a tag keyword and comma separated list of values. – http://docs.puppet/labs.com/puppet/latest/reference/lang_tags.html

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' puppet.run
salt '*' puppet.run tags=basefiles::edit,apache::server
salt '*' puppet.run agent onetime no-daemonize no-usecacheonfailure no-splay ignorecache
salt '*' puppet.run debug
salt '*' puppet.run apply /a/b/manifest.pp modulepath=/a/b/modules tags=basefiles::edit,apache::
```

20.16.132 salt.modules.pw_group

```
Manage groups on FreeBSD
salt.modules.pw_group.add(name, gid=None, **kwargs)
    Add the specified group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.add foo 3456
salt.modules.pw_group.chgid(name, gid)
    Change the gid for a named group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.pw_group.delete(name)
    Remove the named group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.delete foo
salt.modules.pw_group.getent(refresh=False)
    Return info on all groups
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.getent
salt.modules.pw_group.info(name)
    Return information about a group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.info foo
```

20.16.133 salt.modules.pw_user

Manage users with the useradd command

```
salt.modules.pw_user.add(name, uid=None, gid=None, groups=None, home=None, shell=None,
                              unique=True, fullname='', roomnumber='', workphone='', home-
                              phone='', createhome=True, **kwargs)
     Add a user to the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.add name <uid> <gid> <groups> <home> <shell>
salt.modules.pw_user.chfullname(name, fullname)
     Change the user's Full Name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chfullname foo "Foo Bar"
salt.modules.pw_user.chgid(name, gid)
     Change the default group of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.pw_user.chgroups (name, groups, append=False)
     Change the groups this user belongs to, add append to append the specified groups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgroups foo wheel, root True
salt.modules.pw_user.chhome (name, home, persist=False)
     Change the home directory of the user, pass true for persist to copy files to the new home dir
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhome foo /home/users/foo True
salt.modules.pw_user.chhomephone(name, homephone)
     Change the user's Home Phone
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhomephone foo "7735551234"
salt.modules.pw_user.chroomnumber(name, roomnumber)
     Change the user's Room Number
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chroomnumber foo 123
salt.modules.pw_user.chshell(name, shell)
     Change the default shell of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chshell foo /bin/zsh
salt.modules.pw user.chuid(name, uid)
     Change the uid for a named user
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' user.chuid foo 4376
salt.modules.pw_user.chworkphone(name, workphone)
     Change the user's Work Phone
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chworkphone foo "7735550123"
salt.modules.pw_user.delete(name, remove=False, force=False)
     Remove a user from the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.delete name remove=True force=True
salt.modules.pw_user.getent(refresh=False)
     Return the list of all info for all users
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.getent
salt.modules.pw_user.info(name)
     Return user information
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.info root
salt.modules.pw_user.list_groups(name)
     Return a list of groups the named user belongs to
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.list_groups foo
```

20.16.134 salt.modules.qemu_img

Qemu-img Command Wrapper

The qemu img command is wrapped for specific functions

```
depends qemu-img
```

```
salt.modules.qemu_img.make_image(location, size, fmt)
```

Create a blank virtual machine image file of the specified size in megabytes. The image can be created in any format supported by qemu

```
salt '*' qemu_img.make_image /tmp/image.qcow 2048 qcow2
salt '*' qemu_img.make_image /tmp/image.raw 10240 raw
```

20.16.135 salt.modules.gemu nbd

Qemu Command Wrapper

The gemu system comes with powerful tools, such as gemu-img and gemu-nbd which are used here to build up kvm images.

```
salt.modules.qemu_nbd.clear(mnt)
```

Pass in the mnt dict returned from nbd_mount to unmount and disconnect the image from nbd. If all of the partitions are unmounted return an empty dict, otherwise return a dict containing the still mounted partitions

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' qemu_nbd.clear '{"/mnt/foo": "/dev/nbd0p1"}'
salt.modules.qemu_nbd.connect(image)
    Activate nbd for an image file.
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' qemu_nbd.connect /tmp/image.raw
salt.modules.qemu_nbd.init(image)
    Mount the named image via gemu-nbd and return the mounted roots
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' qemu_nbd.init /srv/image.qcow2
```

salt.modules.qemu_nbd.mount (nbd)

Pass in the nbd connection device location, mount all partitions and return a dict of mount points

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' qemu_nbd.mount /dev/nbd0
```

20.16.136 salt.modules.quota

Module for managing quotas on POSIX-like systems.

```
salt.modules.quota.get_mode(device)
```

Report whether the quota system for this device is on or off

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' quota.get_mode
salt.modules.quota.off(device)
     Turns off the quota system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' quota.off
salt.modules.quota.on(device)
     Turns on the quota system
     CLI Example:
```

salt '*' quota.on

```
salt.modules.quota.report (mount)
     Report on quotas for a specific volume
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' quota.report /media/data
salt.modules.quota.set (device, **kwargs)
     Calls out to setquota, for a specific user or group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' quota.set /media/data user=larry block-soft-limit=1048576
     salt '*' quota.set /media/data group=painters file-hard-limit=1000
salt.modules.quota.stats()
     Runs the quotastats command, and returns the parsed output
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' quota.stats
salt.modules.quota.warn()
     Runs the warnquota command, to send warning emails to users who are over their quota limit.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' quota.warn
```

20.16.137 salt.modules.rabbitmq

Module to provide RabbitMQ compatibility to Salt. Todo: A lot, need to add cluster support, logging, and minion configuration data.

```
salt '*' rabbitmq.clear_password rabbit_user
salt.modules.rabbitmq.cluster_status(user=None)
     return rabbitmq cluster_status
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.cluster_status
salt.modules.rabbitmq.delete_policy(vhost, name, runas=None)
     Delete a policy based on rabbitmqctl clear_policy.
     Reference: http://www.rabbitmq.com/ha.html
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.delete_policy / HA'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.delete_user (name, runas=None)
     Deletes a user via rabbitmqctl delete_user.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.delete_user rabbit_user
salt.modules.rabbitmq.delete_vhost(vhost, runas=None)
     Deletes a vhost rabbitmqctl delete_vhost.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.delete_vhost '<vhost_name>'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.disable_plugin (name, runas=None)
     Disable a RabbitMQ plugin via the rabbitmq-plugins command.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.disable_plugin foo
salt.modules.rabbitmq.enable_plugin (name, runas=None)
     Enable a RabbitMQ plugin via the rabbitmq-plugins command.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.enable_plugin foo
salt.modules.rabbitmq.force_reset (runas=None)
     Forcefully Return a RabbitMQ node to its virgin state
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.force_reset
salt.modules.rabbitmq.join cluster(host, user='rabbit', runas=None)
     Join a rabbit cluster
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.join_cluster 'rabbit' 'rabbit.example.com'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list_permissions(vhost, runas=None)
     Lists permissions for vhost via rabbitmqctl list permissions
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' rabbitmq.list_permissions '/myvhost'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list_policies(runas=None)
     Return a dictionary of policies nested by vhost and name based on the data returned from rabbitmqctl
     list_policies.
     Reference: http://www.rabbitmq.com/ha.html
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.list_policies'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list queues(*kwargs)
     Returns queue details of the / virtual host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.list_queues messages consumers
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list_queues_vhost (vhost, *kwargs)
     Returns queue details of specified virtual host. This command will consider first parameter as the vhost name
     and rest will be treated as queueinfoitem. For getting details on vhost /, use list_queues instead).
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.list_queues messages consumers
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list_user_permissions(name, user=None)
     List permissions for a user via rabbitmqctl list_user_permissions
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.list_user_permissions 'user'.
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list_users(runas=None)
     Return a list of users based off of rabbitmqctl user_list.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.list_users
salt.modules.rabbitmq.list_vhosts(runas=None)
     Return a list of vhost based on rabbitmqctl list_vhosts.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.list_vhosts
salt.modules.rabbitmq.plugin_is_enabled(name, runas=None)
     Return whether the plugin is enabled.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.plugin_is_enabled foo
salt.modules.rabbitmq.policy exists(vhost, name, runas=None)
     Return whether the policy exists based on rabbitmqctl list_policies.
     Reference: http://www.rabbitmq.com/ha.html
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' rabbitmq.policy_exists / HA
salt.modules.rabbitmq.reset(runas=None)
     Return a RabbitMQ node to its virgin state
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.reset
salt.modules.rabbitmq.set_permissions(vhost, user, conf='.*', write='.*', read='.*',
                                              runas=None)
     Sets permissions for vhost via rabbitmqctl set_permissions
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.set_permissions 'myvhost' 'myuser'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.set_policy(vhost,
                                                                  definition,
                                                                              priority=None,
                                                name,
                                                         pattern,
     Set a policy based on rabbitmqctl set_policy.
     Reference: http://www.rabbitmq.com/ha.html
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.set_policy / HA '.*' '{"ha-mode": "all"}'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.set_user_tags (name, tags, runas=None)
     Add user tags via rabbitctl set user tags
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.set_user_tags 'myadmin' 'administrator'
salt.modules.rabbitmq.start_app (runas=None)
     Start the RabbitMQ application.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.start_app
salt.modules.rabbitmq.status(user=None)
     return rabbitmq status
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.status
salt.modules.rabbitmq.stop_app(runas=None)
     Stops the RabbitMQ application, leaving the Erlang node running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.stop_app
salt.modules.rabbitmq.user_exists(name, runas=None)
     Return whether the user exists based on rabbitmqctl list_users.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rabbitmq.user_exists rabbit_user
```

```
salt.modules.rabbitmq.vhost_exists(name, runas=None)
```

Return whether the vhost exists based on rabbitmgctl list vhosts.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rabbitmq.vhost_exists rabbit_host
```

20.16.138 salt.modules.rbeny

Manage ruby installations with rbenv.

New in version 0.16.0.

```
salt.modules.rbenv.default(ruby=None, runas=None)
```

Returns or sets the currently defined default ruby.

ruby=None The version to set as the default. Should match one of the versions listed by rbenv.versions. Leave blank to return the current default.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rbenv.default
salt '*' rbenv.default 2.0.0-p0
```

salt.modules.rbenv.do(cmdline=None, runas=None)

Execute a ruby command with rbenv's shims from the user or the system.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rbenv.do 'gem list bundler'
salt '*' rbenv.do 'gem list bundler' deploy
```

salt.modules.rbenv.do_with_ruby (ruby, cmdline, runas=None)

Execute a ruby command with rbenv's shims using a specific ruby version.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rbenv.do_with_ruby 2.0.0-p0 'gem list bundler'
salt '*' rbenv.do_with_ruby 2.0.0-p0 'gem list bundler' deploy
```

salt.modules.rbenv.install(runas=None, path=None)

Install Rbenv systemwide

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rbenv.install
```

salt.modules.rbenv.install_ruby(ruby, runas=None)

Install a ruby implementation.

ruby The version of Ruby to install, should match one of the versions listed by rbenv.list

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rbenv.install_ruby 2.0.0-p0
```

salt.modules.rbenv.is_installed(runas=None)

Check if Rbenv is installed.

```
salt '*' rbenv.is_installed
salt.modules.rbenv.list(runas=None)
     List the installable versions of ruby.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rbenv.list
salt.modules.rbenv.rehash(runas=None)
     Run rbenv rehash to update the installed shims.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rbenv.rehash
salt.modules.rbenv.uninstall_ruby(ruby, runas=None)
     Uninstall a ruby implementation.
     ruby The version of ruby to uninstall. Should match one of the versions listed by rbenv.versions
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rbenv.uninstall_ruby 2.0.0-p0
salt.modules.rbenv.update(runas=None, path=None)
     Updates the current versions of Rbenv and Ruby-Build
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rbenv.update
salt.modules.rbenv.versions(runas=None)
     List the installed versions of ruby.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rbenv.versions
20.16.139 salt.modules.rdp
Manage RDP Service on Windows servers
salt.modules.rdp.disable()
     Disable RDP the service on the server
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rdp.disable
salt.modules.rdp.enable()
     Enable RDP the service on the server
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rdp.enable
salt.modules.rdp.status()
     Show if rdp is enabled on the server
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' rdp.status
```

20.16.140 salt.modules.reg

```
Manage the registry on Windows
```

depends

• winreg Python module

```
class salt.modules.reg.Registry
     Delay 'winreg' usage until this module is used
salt.modules.reg.create_key (hkey, path, key, value=None, reflection=True)
     Create a registry key
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' req.create_key HKEY_CURRENT_USER 'SOFTWARE\Salt' 'version' '0.97'
salt.modules.reg.delete_key (hkey, path, key, reflection=True)
     Delete a registry key
     Note: This cannot delete a key with subkeys
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' req.delete_key HKEY_CURRENT_USER 'SOFTWARE\Salt' 'version'
salt.modules.req.read_key (hkey, path, key, reflection=True)
     Read registry key value
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' reg.read_key HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE 'SOFTWARE\Salt' 'version'
salt.modules.req.set_key (hkey, path, key, value, vtype='REG_DWORD', reflection=True)
     Set a registry key vtype: http://docs.python.org/2/library/_winreg.html#value-types
     CLI Example:
```

20.16.141 salt.modules.rest_package

Service support for the REST example

salt '*' req.set_key HKEY_CURRENT_USER 'SOFTWARE\Salt' 'version' '0.97' REG_DWORD

```
salt.modules.rest_package.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.142 salt.modules.rest sample

Module for interfacing to the REST example

```
pre-pre-ALPHA QUALITY code.
```

```
salt.modules.rest_sample.grains_refresh()
    Refresh the cache.
salt.modules.rest_sample.ping()
```

20.16.143 salt.modules.rest_service

```
Service support for the REST example
```

```
salt.modules.rest service.list()
    List services.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rest_service.list <service name>
salt.modules.rest service.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rest_service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.rest_service.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rest_service.start <service name>
salt.modules.rest_service.status(name)
     Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rest_service.status <service name>
salt.modules.rest_service.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
```

salt '*' rest_service.stop <service name>

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20.16.144 salt.modules.ret

```
Module to integrate with the returner system and retrieve data sent to a salt returner
salt.modules.ret.get_fun (returner, fun)
     Return info about last time fun was called on each minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ret.get_fun mysql network.interfaces
salt.modules.ret.get_jid(returner, jid)
     Return the information for a specified job id
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ret.get_jid redis 20421104181954700505
salt.modules.ret.get_jids(returner)
     Return a list of all job ids
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ret.get_jids mysql
salt.modules.ret.get_minions(returner)
     Return a list of all minions
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ret.get_minions mysql
20.16.145 salt.modules.rh ip
The networking module for RHEL/Fedora based distros
salt.modules.rh_ip.apply_network_settings(**settings)
     Apply global network configuration.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.apply_network_settings
salt.modules.rh_ip.build_bond(iface, **settings)
     Create a bond script in /etc/modprobe.d with the passed settings and load the bonding kernel module.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_bond bond0 mode=balance-alb
salt.modules.rh_ip.build_interface(iface, iface_type, enabled, **settings)
     Build an interface script for a network interface.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_interface eth0 eth <settings>
salt.modules.rh_ip.build_network_settings(**settings)
     Build the global network script.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' ip.build_network_settings <settings>
salt.modules.rh_ip.build_routes(iface, **settings)
     Build a route script for a network interface.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.build_routes eth0 <settings>
salt.modules.rh_ip.down(iface, iface_type)
     Shutdown a network interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.down eth0
salt.modules.rh_ip.get_bond(iface)
     Return the content of a bond script
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_bond bond0
salt.modules.rh_ip.get_interface(iface)
     Return the contents of an interface script
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_interface eth0
salt.modules.rh_ip.get_network_settings()
     Return the contents of the global network script.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_network_settings
salt.modules.rh_ip.get_routes(iface)
     Return the contents of the interface routes script.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.get_routes eth0
salt.modules.rh_ip.up(iface, iface_type)
     Start up a network interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ip.up eth0
```

20.16.146 salt.modules.rh_service

Service support for RHEL-based systems, including support for both upstart and sysvinit

```
salt.modules.rh_service.available (name, limit='')

Return True if the named service is available. Use the limit param to
```

Return True if the named service is available. Use the limit param to restrict results to services of that type.

```
salt '*' service.available sshd
     salt '*' service.available sshd limit=upstart
     salt '*' service.available sshd limit=sysvinit
salt.modules.rh_service.disable(name, **kwargs)
     Disable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.rh_service.disabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is disabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.rh service.enable(name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.rh_service.enabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is enabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.rh_service.get_all(limit='')
     Return all installed services. Use the limit param to restrict results to services of that type.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
     salt '*' service.get_all limit=upstart
     salt '*' service.get_all limit=sysvinit
salt.modules.rh_service.get_disabled(limit='')
     Return the disabled services. Use the limit param to restrict results to services of that type.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
     salt '*' service.get_disabled limit=upstart
     salt '*' service.get_disabled limit=sysvinit
salt.modules.rh_service.get_enabled(limit='')
     Return the enabled services. Use the limit param to restrict results to services of that type.
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
     salt '*' service.get_enabled limit=upstart
     salt '*' service.get_enabled limit=sysvinit
salt.modules.rh_service.missing(name, limit='')
     The inverse of service available. Return True if the named service is not available. Use the limit param to
     restrict results to services of that type.
```

```
CLI Examples:
    salt '*' service.missing sshd
    salt '*' service.missing sshd limit=upstart
    salt '*' service.missing sshd limit=sysvinit
salt.modules.rh_service.reload(name)
    Reload the named service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.rh service.restart(name)
    Restart the named service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.rh_service.start(name)
    Start the specified service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.rh_service.status(name, sig=None)
    Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.rh service.stop(name)
    Stop the specified service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.stop <service name>
```

20.16.147 salt.modules.riak

Riak Salt Module

```
salt.modules.riak.cluster plan()
     Review Cluster Plan
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' riak.cluster_plan
salt.modules.riak.member_status()
     Get cluster member status
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' riak.member_status
salt.modules.riak.start()
     Start Riak
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' riak.start
salt.modules.riak.stop()
     Stop Riak
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' riak.stop
20.16.148 salt.modules.rpm
Support for rpm
salt.modules.rpm.file_dict(*packages)
     List the files that belong to a package, sorted by group. Not specifying any packages will return a list of every
     file on the system's rpm database (not generally recommended).
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' lowpkg.file_dict httpd
     salt '*' lowpkg.file_dict httpd postfix
     salt '*' lowpkg.file_dict
salt.modules.rpm.file_list(*packages)
     List the files that belong to a package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of _every_ file on the
     system's rpm database (not generally recommended).
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' lowpkg.file_list httpd
     salt '*' lowpkg.file_list httpd postfix
     salt '*' lowpkg.file_list
salt.modules.rpm.list_pkgs(*packages)
     List the packages currently installed in a dict:
```

salt '*' lowpkg.list_pkgs

{'<package_name>': '<version>'}

```
salt.modules.rpm.verify(*package)
     Runs an rpm -Va on a system, and returns the results in a dict
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' lowpkg.verify
20.16.149 salt.modules.rsync
Wrapper for rsync
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
This data can also be passed into pillar. Options passed into opts will overwrite options passed into pillar.
salt.modules.rsync.config (confile='/etc/rsyncd.conf')
     Return rsync config
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rsync.config
salt.modules.rsync.rsync(src, dst, delete=False, force=False, update=False, passwordfile=None,
                               exclude=None, excludefrom=None)
     Rsync files from src to dst
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rsync.rsync {src} {dst} {delete=True} {update=True} {passwordfile=/etc/pass.crt} {exclusion
     salt '*' rsync.rsync {src} {dst} {delete=True} {excludefrom=/xx.ini}
salt.modules.rsync.version()
     Return rsync version
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rsync.version
20.16.150 salt.modules.rvm
Manage ruby installations and gemsets with RVM, the Ruby Version Manager.
salt.modules.rvm.do(ruby, command, runas=None)
     Execute a command in an RVM controlled environment.
     ruby: The ruby to use.
     command: The command to execute.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.do 2.0.0 <command>
```

salt.modules.rvm.gemset_copy (source, destination, runas=None)

source The name of the gemset to copy, complete with ruby version.

Copy all gems from one gemset to another.

destination The destination gemset.

```
runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.gemset_copy foobar bazquo
salt.modules.rvm.gemset_create(ruby, gemset, runas=None)
     Creates a gemset.
     ruby The ruby version to create the gemset for.
     gemset The name of the gemset to create.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.gemset_create 2.0.0 foobar
salt.modules.rvm.gemset_delete(ruby, gemset, runas=None)
     Deletes a gemset.
     ruby The ruby version the gemset belongs to.
     gemset The gemset to delete.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.gemset_delete 2.0.0 foobar
salt.modules.rvm.gemset_empty(ruby, gemset, runas=None)
     Remove all gems from a gemset.
     ruby The ruby version the gemset belongs to.
     gemset The gemset to empty.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.gemset_empty 2.0.0 foobar
salt.modules.rvm.gemset_list(ruby='default', runas=None)
     List all gemsets for the given ruby.
     ruby [default] The ruby version to list the gemsets for
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.gemset_list
salt.modules.rvm.gemset_list_all(runas=None)
     List all gemsets for all installed rubies.
     Note that you must have set a default ruby before this can work.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.gemset_list_all
```

```
salt.modules.rvm.get (version='stable', runas=None)
     Update RVM.
     version [stable] Which version of RVM to install, e.g. stable or head.
     ruby The version of ruby to reinstall.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.get
salt.modules.rvm.install(runas=None)
     Install RVM system wide.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.install
salt.modules.rvm.install_ruby(ruby, runas=None)
     Install a ruby implementation.
     ruby The version of ruby to install.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.install_ruby 1.9.3-p385
salt.modules.rvm.is_installed(runas=None)
     Check if RVM is installed.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.is_installed
salt.modules.rvm.list(runas=None)
     List all rvm installed rubies.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.list
salt.modules.rvm.reinstall_ruby(ruby, runas=None)
     Reinstall a ruby implementation.
     ruby The version of ruby to reinstall.
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' rvm.reinstall_ruby 1.9.3-p385
salt.modules.rvm.rubygems (ruby, version, runas=None)
     Installs a specific rubygems version in the given ruby.
     ruby The ruby to install rubygems for.
     version The version of rubygems to install or 'remove' to use the version that ships with 1.9
     runas [None] The user to run rvm as.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' rvm.rubygems 2.0.0 1.8.24
salt.modules.rvm.set_default (ruby, runas=None)
Set the default ruby.
```

ruby The version of ruby to make the default.

runas [None] The user to run rvm as.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rvm.set_default 2.0.0
```

salt.modules.rvm.wrapper(ruby_string, wrapper_prefix, runas=None, *binaries)
Install RVM wrapper scripts.

ruby_string Ruby/gemset to install wrappers for.

wrapper_prefix What to prepend to the name of the generated wrapper binaries.

runas [None] The user to run rvm as.

binaries [None] The names of the binaries to create wrappers for. When nothing is given, wrappers for ruby, gem, rake, irb, rdoc, ri and testrb are generated.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' rvm.wrapper <ruby_string> <wrapper_prefix>
```

20.16.151 salt.modules.s3

Connection module for Amazon S3

configuration This module accepts explicit s3 credentials but can also utilize IAM roles assigned to the instance trough Instance Profiles. Dynamic credentials are then automatically obtained from AWS API and no further configuration is necessary. More Information available at:

```
http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/iam-roles-for-amazon-ec2.html
```

If IAM roles are not used you need to specify them either in a pillar or in the minion's config file:

```
s3.keyid: GKTADJGHEIQSXMKKRBJ08H
s3.key: askdjghsdfjkghWupUjasdflkdfklgjsdfjajkghs
```

A service_url may also be specified in the configuration:

```
s3.service_url: s3.amazonaws.com
```

If a service_url is not specified, the default is s3.amazonaws.com. This may appear in various documentation as an "endpoint". A comprehensive list for Amazon S3 may be found at:

```
http://docs.aws.amazon.com/general/latest/gr/rande.html#s3_region
```

The service_url will form the basis for the final endpoint that is used to query the service.

This module should be usable to query other S3-like services, such as Eucalyptus.

```
salt.modules.s3. \textbf{delete} (\textit{bucket}, path=None, action=None, key=None, keyid=None, service\_url=None)
```

Delete a bucket, or delete an object from a bucket.

CLI Example to delete a bucket:

```
salt myminion s3.delete mybucket
```

CLI Example to delete an object from a bucket:

```
salt myminion s3.delete mybucket remoteobject
```

List the contents of a bucket, or return an object from a bucket. Set return_bin to True in order to retrieve an object wholesale. Otherwise, Salt will attempt to parse an XML response.

CLI Example to list buckets:

```
salt myminion s3.get
```

CLI Example to list the contents of a bucket:

```
salt myminion s3.get mybucket
```

CLI Example to return the binary contents of an object:

```
salt myminion s3.get mybucket myfile.png return_bin=True
```

CLI Example to save the binary contents of an object to a local file:

```
salt myminion s3.get mybucket myfile.png local_file=/tmp/myfile.png
```

It is also possible to perform an action on a bucket. Currently, S3 supports the following actions:

acl
cors
lifecycle
policy
location
logging
notification
tagging
versions
requestPayment
versioning
website

To perform an action on a bucket:

```
salt myminion s3.get mybucket myfile.png action=acl
```

salt.modules.s3.head(bucket, path=None, key=None, keyid=None, service_url=None)

Return the metadata for a bucket, or an object in a bucket.

CLI Examples:

```
salt myminion s3.head mybucket
salt myminion s3.head mybucket myfile.png
```

Create a new bucket, or upload an object to a bucket.

CLI Example to create a bucket:

```
salt myminion s3.put mybucket
```

CLI Example to upload an object to a bucket:

```
salt myminion s3.put mybucket remotepath local_path=/path/to/file
```

20.16.152 salt.modules.saltcloudmod

```
Control a salt cloud system
salt.modules.saltcloudmod.create (name, profile)
    Create the named vm
CLI Example:
    salt <minion-id> saltcloud.create webserver rackspace_centos_512
```

20.16.153 salt.modules.saltutil

The Saltutil module is used to manage the state of the salt minion itself. It is used to manage minion modules as well as automate updates to the salt minion.

depends

```
e updates to the sait minion.
```

```
salt.modules.saltutil.cached()
   Return the data on all cached salt jobs on the minion
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' saltutil.cached
```

Assuming this minion is a master, execute a salt command

• esky Python module for update functionality

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt.modules.saltutil.find_cached_job(jid)
```

Return the data for a specific cached job id

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.find_cached_job <job id>
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.saltutil.find_job| (jid)$

Return the data for a specific job id

```
salt '*' saltutil.find_job <job id>
```

```
salt.modules.saltutil.is_running(fun)
     If the named function is running return the data associated with it/them. The argument can be a glob
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.is_running state.highstate
salt.modules.saltutil.kill_job(jid)
     Sends a kill signal (SIGKILL 9) to the named salt job's process
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.kill_job <job id>
salt.modules.saltutil.mmodule(saltenv, fun, *args, **kwargs)
     Loads minion modules from an environment so that they can be used in pillars for that environment
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.mmodule base test.ping
salt.modules.saltutil.refresh_modules()
     Signal the minion to refresh the module and grain data
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.refresh_modules
salt.modules.saltutil.refresh pillar()
     Signal the minion to refresh the pillar data.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.refresh_pillar
salt.modules.saltutil.regen_keys()
     Used to regenerate the minion keys.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.regen_keys
salt.modules.saltutil.revoke_auth()
     The minion sends a request to the master to revoke its own key. Note that the minion session will be revoked
     and the minion may not be able to return the result of this command back to the master.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.revoke_auth
salt.modules.saltutil.running()
     Return the data on all running salt processes on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' saltutil.running
salt.modules.saltutil.signal_job(jid, sig)
     Sends a signal to the named salt job's process
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' saltutil.signal_job <job id> 15
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_all(saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync down all of the dynamic modules from the file server for a specific environment

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_all
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_grains (saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync the grains from the _grains directory on the salt master file server. This function is environment aware, pass the desired environment to grab the contents of the _grains directory, base is the default environment.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_grains
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_modules(saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync the modules from the _modules directory on the salt master file server. This function is environment aware, pass the desired environment to grab the contents of the _modules directory, base is the default environment.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_modules
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_outputters (saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync the outputters from the _outputters directory on the salt master file server. This function is environment aware, pass the desired environment to grab the contents of the _outputters directory, base is the default environment.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_outputters
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_renderers (saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync the renderers from the _renderers directory on the salt master file server. This function is environment aware, pass the desired environment to grab the contents of the _renderers directory, base is the default environment.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_renderers
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_returners(saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync the returners from the _returners directory on the salt master file server. This function is environment aware, pass the desired environment to grab the contents of the _returners directory, base is the default environment.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_returners
```

salt.modules.saltutil.sync_states (saltenv=None, refresh=True)

Sync the states from the _states directory on the salt master file server. This function is environment aware, pass the desired environment to grab the contents of the _states directory, base is the default environment.

```
salt '*' saltutil.sync_states
```

```
salt.modules.saltutil.term_job (jid)
```

Sends a termination signal (SIGTERM 15) to the named salt job's process

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.term_job <job id>
```

```
salt.modules.saltutil.update(version=None)
```

Update the salt minion from the URL defined in opts['update url']

This feature requires the minion to be running a bdist_esky build.

The version number is optional and will default to the most recent version available at opts['update_url'].

Returns details about the transaction upon completion.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' saltutil.update 0.10.3
```

20.16.154 salt.modules.seed

Virtual machine image management tools

```
salt.modules.seed.apply(path, id=None, config=None, approve\_key=True, install=True, prep\_install=False)
```

Seed a location (disk image, directory, or block device) with the minion config, approve the minion's key, and/or install salt-minion.

CLI Example:

path Full path to the directory, device, or disk image on the target minion's file system.

id Minion id with which to seed the path.

config Minion configuration options. By default, the 'master' option is set to the target host's 'master'.

approve_key Request a pre-approval of the generated minion key. Requires that the salt-master be configured to either auto-accept all keys or expect a signing request from the target host. Default: true.

install Install salt-minion, if absent. Default: true.

prep_install Prepare the bootstrap script, but don't run it. Default: false

20.16.155 salt.modules.selinux

Execute calls on selinux

Note: This module requires the semanage and setsebool commands to be available on the minion. On RHEL-based distros, this means that the policycoreutils and policycoreutils-python packages must be installed. If not on a RHEL-based distribution, consult the selinux documentation for your distro to ensure that the proper packages are installed.

```
salt.modules.selinux.getenforce()
     Return the mode selinux is running in
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux.getenforce
salt.modules.selinux.getsebool(boolean)
     Return the information on a specific selinux boolean
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux.getsebool virt_use_usb
salt.modules.selinux.list_sebool()
     Return a structure listing all of the selinux booleans on the system and what state they are in
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux.list_sebool
salt.modules.selinux_fs_path(*args)
     Return the location of the SELinux VFS directory
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux_selinux_fs_path
salt.modules.selinux.setenforce(mode)
     Set the SELinux enforcing mode
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux.setenforce enforcing
salt.modules.selinux.setsebool(boolean, value, persist=False)
     Set the value for a boolean
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux.setsebool virt_use_usb off
salt.modules.selinux.setsebools(pairs, persist=False)
     Set the value of multiple booleans
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' selinux.setsebools '{virt_use_usb: on, squid_use_tproxy: off}'
```

20.16.156 salt.modules.service

The default service module, if not otherwise specified salt will fall back to this basic module

```
\verb|salt.modules.service.available| (name)
```

Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.

```
salt '*' service.available sshd
```

```
salt.modules.service.get_all()
     Return a list of all available services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.service.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.service.reload(name)
     Restart the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.service.restart(name)
     Restart the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.service.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.service.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service, returns the PID or an empty string if the service is running or not, pass a signature
     to use to find the service via ps
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name> [service signature]
salt.modules.service.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
20.16.157 salt.modules.shadow
Manage the shadow file
salt.modules.shadow.default_hash()
     Returns the default hash used for unset passwords
```

CLI Example:

salt '*' shadow.default_hash

```
salt.modules.shadow.info(name)
```

Return information for the specified user

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.info root
```

```
salt.modules.shadow.set_date(name, date)
```

Sets the value for the date the password was last changed to days since the epoch (January 1, 1970). See man chage.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.set_date username 0
```

```
salt.modules.shadow.set_expire(name, expire)
```

Changed in version Helium.

Sets the value for the date the account expires as days since the epoch (January 1, 1970). Using a value of -1 will clear expiration. See man chage.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.set_expire username -1
```

salt.modules.shadow.set_inactdays(name, inactdays)

Set the number of days of inactivity after a password has expired before the account is locked. See man chage.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.set_inactdays username 7
```

salt.modules.shadow.set_maxdays(name, maxdays)

Set the maximum number of days during which a password is valid. See man chage.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' shadow.set_maxdays username 90
```

salt.modules.shadow.set_mindays(name, mindays)

Set the minimum number of days between password changes. See man chage.

CLI Example:

```
salt '\star' shadow.set_mindays username 7
```

```
salt.modules.shadow.set_password(name, password, use_usermod=False)
```

Set the password for a named user. The password must be a properly defined hash. The password hash can be generated with this command:

```
python -c "import crypt; print crypt.crypt('password', '\$6\$SALTsalt')"
```

SALTsalt is the 8-character crpytographic salt. Valid characters in the salt are ., /, and any alphanumeric character.

Keep in mind that the \$6 represents a sha512 hash, if your OS is using a different hashing algorithm this needs to be changed accordingly

```
salt '*' shadow.set_password root '$1$UYCIxa628.9qXjpQCjM4a..'
```

```
salt.modules.shadow.set_warndays(name, warndays)
    Set the number of days of warning before a password change is required. See man chage.
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' shadow.set_warndays username 7
20.16.158 salt.modules.smartos_imgadm
Module for running imgadm command on SmartOS
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.avail(search=None)
    Return a list of available images
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.avail [percona]
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.delete(uuid=None)
    Remove an installed image
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.delete e42f8c84-bbea-11e2-b920-078fab2aab1f
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.get (uuid=None)
    Return info on an installed image
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.get e42f8c84-bbea-11e2-b920-078fab2aab1f
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.import_image(uuid=None)
    Import an image from the repository
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.import_image e42f8c84-bbea-11e2-b920-078fab2aab1f
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.list_installed()
    Return a list of installed images
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.list_installed
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.show(uuid=None)
    Show manifest of a given image
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.show e42f8c84-bbea-11e2-b920-078fab2aab1f
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.update_installed()
    Gather info on unknown images (locally installed)
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.update_installed()
```

```
salt.modules.smartos_imgadm.version()
    Return imgadm version
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' imgadm.version
20.16.159 salt.modules.smartos_vmadm
Module for managing VMs on SmartOS
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.destroy(uuid=None)
    Hard power down the virtual machine, this is equivalent to pulling the power
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.destroy <uuid>
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.get_macs(uuid=None)
    Return a list off MAC addresses from the named VM
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.get_macs <uuid>
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.init(**kwargs)
    Initialize a new VM
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.init image_uuid='...' alias='...' [...]
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.list_active_vms()
    Return a list of uuids for active virtual machine on the minion
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.list_active_vms
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.list_inactive_vms()
    Return a list of uuids for inactive virtual machine on the minion
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.list_inactive_vms
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.list_vms()
    Return a list of virtual machine names on the minion
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.list_vms
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.reboot (uuid=None)
    Reboot a domain via ACPI request
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.reboot <uuid>
```

```
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.setmem(uuid, memory)
     Change the amount of memory allocated to VM. <memory> is to be specified in MB.
     Note for KVM: this would require a restart of the VM.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.setmem <uuid> 512
salt.modules.smartos vmadm.shutdown(uuid=None)
     Send a soft shutdown signal to the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.shutdown <uuid>
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.start(uuid=None)
     Start a defined domain
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.start <uuid>
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.vm_info(uuid=None)
     Return a dict with information about the specified VM on this CN
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.vm_info <uuid>
salt.modules.smartos_vmadm.vm_virt_type (uuid=None)
     Return VM virtualization type: OS or KVM
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.vm_virt_type <uuid>
20.16.160 salt.modules.smf
Service support for Solaris 10 and 11, should work with other systems that use SMF also. (e.g. SmartOS)
salt.modules.smf.available(name)
     Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.available net-snmp
salt.modules.smf.disable(name, **kwargs)
     Disable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.smf.disabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is disabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
```

```
salt.modules.smf.enable(name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.smf.enabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is enabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.smf.get_all()
     Return all installed services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.smf.get_disabled()
     Return the disabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.smf.get_enabled()
     Return the enabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.smf.get_running()
     Return the running services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_running
salt.modules.smf.get_stopped()
     Return the stopped services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_stopped
salt.modules.smf.missing(name)
    The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing net-snmp
salt.modules.smf.reload(name)
     Reload the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.reload <service name>
```

```
salt.modules.smf.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.smf.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.smf.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.smf.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
20.16.161 salt.modules.solaris_group
Manage groups on Solaris
salt.modules.solaris_group.add(name, gid=None, **kwargs)
     Add the specified group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.add foo 3456
salt.modules.solaris_group.chgid(name, gid)
     Change the gid for a named group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.solaris_group.delete(name)
     Remove the named group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.delete foo
salt.modules.solaris_group.getent(refresh=False)
     Return info on all groups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.getent
```

```
salt.modules.solaris_group.info(name)
     Return information about a group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' group.info foo
20.16.162 salt.modules.solaris_shadow
Manage the password database on Solaris systems
salt.modules.solaris_shadow.default_hash()
     Returns the default hash used for unset passwords
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' shadow.default_hash
salt.modules.solaris_shadow.info(name)
     Return information for the specified user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' shadow.info root
salt.modules.solaris_shadow.set_maxdays(name, maxdays)
     Set the maximum number of days during which a password is valid. See man passwd.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' shadow.set_maxdays username 90
salt.modules.solaris_shadow.set_mindays(name, mindays)
     Set the minimum number of days between password changes. See man passwd.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' shadow.set_mindays username 7
salt.modules.solaris_shadow.set_password(name, password)
     Set the password for a named user. The password must be a properly defined hash, the password hash can be
     generated with this command: openssl passwd -1 <plaintext password>
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' shadow.set_password root $1$UYCIxa628.9qXjpQCjM4a..
salt.modules.solaris_shadow.set_warndays(name, warndays)
     Set the number of days of warning before a password change is required. See man passwd.
     CLI Example:
```

20.16.163 salt.modules.solaris_user

salt '*' shadow.set_warndays username 7

Manage users with the useradd command

```
salt.modules.solaris_user.add(name, uid=None, gid=None, groups=None, home=None,
                                    shell=None, unique=True, fullname='', roomnumber='', work-
                                    phone='', homephone='', createhome=True, **kwargs)
     Add a user to the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.add name <uid> <gid> <groups> <home> <shell>
salt.modules.solaris_user.chfullname(name, fullname)
     Change the user's Full Name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chfullname foo "Foo Bar"
salt.modules.solaris_user.chgid(name, gid)
     Change the default group of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.solaris_user.chgroups(name, groups, append=False)
     Change the groups this user belongs to, add append to append the specified groups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgroups foo wheel, root True
salt.modules.solaris_user.chhome (name, home, persist=False)
     Change the home directory of the user, pass true for persist to copy files to the new home dir
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhome foo /home/users/foo True
salt.modules.solaris_user.chhomephone(name, homephone)
     Change the user's Home Phone
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhomephone foo "7735551234"
salt.modules.solaris_user.chroomnumber(name, roomnumber)
     Change the user's Room Number
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chroomnumber foo 123
salt.modules.solaris_user.chshell (name, shell)
     Change the default shell of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chshell foo /bin/zsh
salt.modules.solaris user.chuid(name, uid)
     Change the uid for a named user
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' user.chuid foo 4376
salt.modules.solaris_user.chworkphone(name, workphone)
    Change the user's Work Phone
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.chworkphone foo "7735550123"
salt.modules.solaris_user.delete(name, remove=False, force=False)
    Remove a user from the minion
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.delete name remove=True force=True
salt.modules.solaris_user.getent(refresh=False)
    Return the list of all info for all users
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.getent
salt.modules.solaris_user.info(name)
    Return user information
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.info root
salt.modules.solaris_user.list_groups(name)
    Return a list of groups the named user belongs to
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.list_groups foo
```

20.16.164 salt.modules.solarispkg

Package support for Solaris

salt.modules.solarispkg.install(name=None, sources=None, saltenv='base', **kwargs)
Install the passed package. Can install packages from the following sources:

```
* Locally (package already exists on the minion
* HTTP/HTTPS server
* FTP server
* Salt master
```

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example, installing a datastream pkg that already exists on the minion:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"<pkg name>": "/dir/on/minion/<pkg filename>"}]'
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"SMClgcc346": "/var/spool/pkg/gcc-3.4.6-sol10-sparc-local.pkg"}]
```

CLI Example, installing a datastream pkg that exists on the salt master:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"<pkg name>": "salt://pkgs/<pkg filename>"}]'
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"SMClgcc346": "salt://pkgs/gcc-3.4.6-sol10-sparc-local.pkg"}]'
```

CLI Example, installing a datastream pkg that exists on a HTTP server:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"<pkg name>": "http://packages.server.com/<pkg filename>"}]' salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"SMClgcc346": "http://packages.server.com/gcc-3.4.6-sol10-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sparc-sp
```

If working with solaris zones and you want to install a package only in the global zone you can pass 'current_zone_only=True' to salt to have the package only installed in the global zone. (Behind the scenes this is passing '-G' to the pkgadd command.) Solaris default when installing a package in the global zone is to install it in all zones. This overrides that and installs the package only in the global.

CLI Example, installing a datastream package only in the global zone:

```
salt 'global_zone' pkg.install sources='[{"SMClgcc346": "/var/spool/pkg/gcc-3.4.6-sol10-sparc-lc
```

By default salt automatically provides an adminfile, to automate package installation, with these options set:

```
email=
instance=quit
partial=nocheck
runlevel=nocheck
idepend=nocheck
rdepend=nocheck
space=nocheck
setuid=nocheck
conflict=nocheck
action=nocheck
basedir=default
```

You can override any of these options in two ways. First you can optionally pass any of the options as a kwarg to the module/state to override the default value or you can optionally pass the 'admin_source' option providing your own adminfile to the minions.

Note: You can find all of the possible options to provide to the adminfile by reading the admin man page:

```
man -s 4 admin
```

CLI Example - Overriding the 'instance' adminfile option when calling the module directly:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"<pkg name>": "salt://pkgs/<pkg filename>"}]' instance="overwrit
```

CLI Example - Overriding the 'instance' adminfile option when used in a state:

```
SMClgcc346:
   pkg.installed:
      - sources:
      - SMClgcc346: salt://srv/salt/pkgs/gcc-3.4.6-sol10-sparc-local.pkg
      - instance: overwrite
```

Note: the ID declaration is ignored, as the package name is read from the "sources" parameter.

CLI Example - Providing your own adminfile when calling the module directly:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"<pkg name>": "salt://pkgs/<pkg filename>"}]' admin_source='salt
```

CLI Example - Providing your own adminfile when using states:

```
<pkg name>:
   pkg.installed:
     - sources:
```

```
- <pkg name>: salt://pkgs/<pkg filename>
- admin_source: salt://pkgs/<adminfile filename>
```

Note: the ID declaration is ignored, as the package name is read from the "sources" parameter.

```
salt.modules.solarispkq.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

NOTE: As package repositories are not presently supported for Solaris pkgadd, this function will always return an empty string for a given package.

```
salt.modules.solarispkg.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)
List the packages currently installed as a dict:
```

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
```

```
salt.modules.solarispkg.purge(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Package purges are not supported, this function is identical to remove ().

name The name of the package to be deleted

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>,<package2>,<package3>
salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

salt.modules.solarispkg.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, saltenv='base', **kwargs)

Remove packages with pkgrm

name The name of the package to be deleted

By default salt automatically provides an adminfile, to automate package removal, with these options set:

```
email=
instance=quit
partial=nocheck
runlevel=nocheck
idepend=nocheck
rdepend=nocheck
space=nocheck
setuid=nocheck
```

```
conflict=nocheck
action=nocheck
basedir=default
```

You can override any of these options in two ways. First you can optionally pass any of the options as a kwarg to the module/state to override the default value or you can optionally pass the 'admin_source' option providing your own adminfile to the minions.

Note: You can find all of the possible options to provide to the adminfile by reading the admin man page:

```
man -s 4 admin
```

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove SUNWgit
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>,<package2>,<package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

salt.modules.solarispkg.upgrade_available(name)

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
salt.modules.solarispkg.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.165 salt.modules.solr

Apache Solr Salt Module

Author: Jed Glazner Version: 0.2.1 Modified: 12/09/2011

This module uses HTTP requests to talk to the apache solr request handlers to gather information and report errors. Because of this the minion doesn't necessarily need to reside on the actual slave. However if you want to use the signal function the minion must reside on the physical solr host.

This module supports multi-core and standard setups. Certain methods are master/slave specific. Make sure you set the solr.type. If you have questions or want a feature request please ask.

Coming Features in 0.3

- 1. Add command for checking for replication failures on slaves
- 2. Improve match_index_versions since it's pointless on busy solr masters
- 3. Add additional local fs checks for backups to make sure they succeeded

Override these in the minion config

solr.cores A list of core names eg ['core1','core2']. An empty list indicates non-multicore setup.

solr.baseurl The root level URL to access solr via HTTP

solr.request_timeout The number of seconds before timing out an HTTP/HTTPS/FTP request. If nothing is specified then the python global timeout setting is used.

solr.type Possible values are 'master' or 'slave'

solr.backup_path The path to store your backups. If you are using cores and you can specify to append the core name to the path in the backup method.

solr.num_backups For versions of solr >= 3.5. Indicates the number of backups to keep. This option is ignored if your version is less.

solr.init_script The full path to your init script with start/stop options

solr.dih.options A list of options to pass to the DIH.

Required Options for DIH

```
clean [False] Clear the index before importing
```

commit [True] Commit the documents to the index upon completion

optimize [True] Optimize the index after commit is complete

verbose [True] Get verbose output

```
salt.modules.solr.abort import(handler, host=None, core name=None, verbose=False)
```

MASTER ONLY Aborts an existing import command to the specified handler. This command can only be run if the minion is configured with solr.type=master

handler [str] The name of the data import handler.

host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.

core [str (None)] The core the handler belongs to.

verbose [boolean (False)] Run the command with verbose output.

Return: dict<str,obj>:

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

```
\verb|salt '*' | \verb| solr.abort_import | dataimport | None | music | \{'clean': True\}| \\
```

```
salt.modules.solr.backup(host=None, core name=None, append core to path=False)
     Tell solr make a backup. This method can be mis-leading since it uses the backup API. If an error happens
     during the backup you are not notified. The status: 'OK' in the response simply means that solr received the
     request successfully.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or
          if you want to check all cores.
     append_core_to_path [boolean (False)] If True add the name of the core to the backup path. Assumes that
          minion backup path is not None.
     Return : dict<str,obj>:
     {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.backup music
salt.modules.solr.core_status(host=None, core_name=None)
     MULTI-CORE HOSTS ONLY Get the status for a given core or all cores if no core is specified
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core_name [str] The name of the core to reload
     Return : dict<str,obj>:
     {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.core_status None music
salt.modules.solr.delta_import(handler, host=None, core_name=None, options=None, ex-
                                          tra=None)
     Submits an import command to the specified handler using specified options. This command can only be run if
     the minion is configured with solr.type=master
     handler [str] The name of the data import handler.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core [str (None)] The core the handler belongs to.
     options [dict (_opts_)] A list of options such as clean, optimize commit, verbose, and pause_replication.
          leave blank to use __opts__ defaults. options will be merged with __opts__
     extra [dict ([])] Extra name value pairs to pass to the handler. eg ["name=value"]
     Return : dict<str,obj>:
     {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.delta_import dataimport None music {'clean':True}
salt.modules.solr.full_import(handler, host=None, core_name=None, options=None, ex-
                                        tra=None)
     MASTER ONLY Submits an import command to the specified handler using specified options. This command
     can only be run if the minion is configured with solr.type=master
```

```
handler [str] The name of the data import handler.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core [str (None)] The core the handler belongs to.
     options [dict (_opts_)] A list of options such as clean, optimize commit, verbose, and pause_replication.
          leave blank to use opts defaults, options will be merged with opts
     extra [dict ([])] Extra name value pairs to pass to the handler. e.g. ["name=value"]
     Return: dict<str,obj>:
      {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.full_import dataimport None music {'clean':True}
salt.modules.solr.import_status (handler, host=None, core_name=None, verbose=False)
     Submits an import command to the specified handler using specified options. This command can only be run if
     the minion is configured with solr.type: 'master'
     handler [str] The name of the data import handler.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core [str (None)] The core the handler belongs to.
     verbose [boolean (False)] Specifies verbose output
     Return: dict<str,obj>:
      {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.import_status dataimport None music False
salt.modules.solr.is_replication_enabled(host=None, core_name=None)
     SLAVE CALL Check for errors, and determine if a slave is replicating or not.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or
          if you want to check all cores.
     Return: dict<str,obj>:
      {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.is_replication_enabled music
salt.modules.solr.lucene_version(core_name=None)
     Gets the lucene version that solr is using. If you are running a multi-core setup you should specify a core name
     since all the cores run under the same servlet container, they will all have the same version.
     core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or
```

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if you want to check all cores.

Return: dict<str,obj>:

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
CLI Example:
salt '*' solr.lucene_version
```

salt.modules.solr.match_index_versions(host=None, core_name=None)

SLAVE CALL Verifies that the master and the slave versions are in sync by comparing the index version. If you are constantly pushing updates the index the master and slave versions will seldom match. A solution to this is pause indexing every so often to allow the slave to replicate and then call this method before allowing indexing to resume.

host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.

core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or if you want to check all cores.

Return: dict<str,obj>:

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' solr.match_index_versions music
```

```
salt.modules.solr.optimize(host=None, core name=None)
```

Search queries fast, but it is a very expensive operation. The ideal process is to run this with a master/slave configuration. Then you can optimize the master, and push the optimized index to the slaves. If you are running a single solr instance, or if you are going to run this on a slave be aware than search performance will be horrible while this command is being run. Additionally it can take a LONG time to run and your HTTP request may timeout. If that happens adjust your timeout settings.

host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.

core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or if you want to check all cores.

```
Return: dict<str,obj>:
```

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' solr.optimize music
```

```
salt.modules.solr.ping(host=None, core_name=None)
```

Does a health check on solr, makes sure solr can talk to the indexes.

host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.

core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or if you want to check all cores.

Return : dict<str,obj>:

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

```
salt '*' solr.ping music
```

```
salt.modules.solr.reload core(host=None, core name=None)
     MULTI-CORE HOSTS ONLY Load a new core from the same configuration as an existing registered core.
     While the "new" core is initializing, the "old" one will continue to accept requests. Once it has finished, all new
     request will go to the "new" core, and the "old" core will be unloaded.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core name [str] The name of the core to reload
     Return : dict<str,obj>:
     {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.reload core None music
     Return data is in the following format:
     {'success':bool, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
salt.modules.solr.reload_import_config(handler, host=None, core_name=None,
                                                    bose = False)
     MASTER ONLY re-loads the handler config XML file. This command can only be run if the minion is a
     'master' type
     handler [str] The name of the data import handler.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. opts ['host'] is default.
     core [str (None)] The core the handler belongs to.
     verbose [boolean (False)] Run the command with verbose output.
     Return : dict<str,obj>:
     {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.reload_import_config dataimport None music {'clean':True}
salt.modules.solr.replication_details(host=None, core_name=None)
     Get the full replication details.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
     core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or
          if you want to check all cores.
     Return : dict<str,obj>:
     {'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' solr.replication_details music
salt.modules.solr.set_is_polling(polling, host=None, core_name=None)
     SLAVE CALL Prevent the slaves from polling the master for updates.
     polling [boolean] True will enable polling. False will disable it.
     host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.
```

core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or if you want to check all cores.

```
Return : dict<str,obj>:
```

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' solr.set_is_polling False
```

```
salt.modules.solr.set_replication_enabled(status, host=None, core_name=None)
```

MASTER ONLY Sets the master to ignore poll requests from the slaves. Useful when you don't want the slaves replicating during indexing or when clearing the index.

status [boolean] Sets the replication status to the specified state.

host [str (None)] The solr host to query. __opts__['host'] is default.

core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or if you want to set the status on all cores.

Return : dict<str,obj>:

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' solr.set_replication_enabled false, None, music
```

```
salt.modules.solr.signal(signal=None)
```

Signals Apache Solr to start, stop, or restart. Obviously this is only going to work if the minion resides on the solr host. Additionally Solr doesn't ship with an init script so one must be created.

signal [str (None)] The command to pass to the apache solr init valid values are 'start', 'stop', and 'restart'

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' solr.signal restart
```

```
salt.modules.solr.version(core name=None)
```

Gets the solr version for the core specified. You should specify a core here as all the cores will run under the same servlet container and so will all have the same version.

core_name [str (None)] The name of the solr core if using cores. Leave this blank if you are not using cores or if you want to check all cores.

Return: dict<str,obj>:

```
{'success':boolean, 'data':dict, 'errors':list, 'warnings':list}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' solr.version
```

20.16.166 salt.modules.sqlite3

Support for SQLite3

```
salt.modules.sqlite3.fetch(db=None, sql=None)
```

Retrieve data from an sqlite3 db (returns all rows, be careful!)

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.fetch /root/test.db 'SELECT * FROM test;'
salt.modules.sqlite3.indexes(db=None)
     Show all indices in the database, for people with poor spelling skills
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.indexes /root/test.db
salt.modules.sqlite3.indices(db=None)
     Show all indices in the database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.indices /root/test.db
salt.modules.sqlite3.modify(db=None, sql=None)
     Issue an SQL query to sqlite3 (with no return data), usually used to modify the database in some way (insert,
     delete, create, etc)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.modify /root/test.db 'CREATE TABLE test(id INT, testdata TEXT);'
salt.modules.sqlite3.sqlite_version()
     Return version of sqlite
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.sqlite_version
salt.modules.sqlite3.tables(db=None)
     Show all tables in the database
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.tables /root/test.db
salt.modules.sqlite3.version()
     Return version of pysqlite
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' sqlite3.version
20.16.167 salt.modules.ssh
Manage client ssh components
salt.modules.ssh.auth_keys (user, config='.ssh/authorized_keys')
     Return the authorized keys for the specified user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.auth_keys root
salt.modules.ssh.check_key (user, key, enc, comment, options, config='.ssh/authorized_keys',
                                 cache keys=None)
```

Check to see if a key needs updating, returns "update", "add" or "exists"

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.check_key <user> <key> <enc> <comment> <options>
salt.modules.ssh.check_key_file (user, source, config='.ssh/authorized_keys', saltenv='base',
                                          env=None)
     Check a keyfile from a source destination against the local keys and return the keys to change
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' root salt://ssh/keyfile
salt.modules.ssh.check_known_host(user, hostname, key=None, fingerprint=None, con-
                                            fig='.ssh/known hosts')
     Check the record in known_hosts file, either by its value or by fingerprint (it's enough to set up either key or
     fingerprint, you don't need to set up both).
     If provided key or fingerprint doesn't match with stored value, return "update", if no value is found for a given
     host, return "add", otherwise return "exists".
     If neither key, nor fingerprint is defined, then additional validation is not performed.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.check_known_host <user> <hostname> key='AAAA...FAaQ=='
salt.modules.ssh.get_known_host (user, hostname, config='.ssh/known_hosts')
     Return information about known host from the configfile, if any. If there is no such key, return None.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.get_known_host <user> <hostname>
salt.modules.ssh.host_keys(keydir=None)
     Return the minion's host keys
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.host_keys
salt.modules.ssh.recv known host (hostname, enc=None, port=None, hash hostname=False)
     Retrieve information about host public key from remote server
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.recv_known_host <hostname> enc=<enc> port=<port>
salt.modules.ssh.rm_auth_key(user, key, config='.ssh/authorized_keys')
     Remove an authorized key from the specified user's authorized key file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.rm_auth_key <user> <key>
salt.modules.ssh.rm_known_host (user, hostname, config='.ssh/known_hosts')
     Remove all keys belonging to hostname from a known_hosts file.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ssh.rm_known_host <user> <hostname>
salt.modules.ssh.set_auth_key(user, key, enc='ssh-rsa', comment='', options=None, con-
                                       fig='.ssh/authorized_keys', cache_keys=None)
     Add a key to the authorized_keys file. The "key" parameter must only be the string of text that is the encoded
```

key. If the key begins with "ssh-rsa" or ends with user@host, remove those from the key before passing it to this function.

CLI Example:

Add a key to the authorized_keys file, using a file as the source.

salt '*' ssh.set_auth_key <user> '<key>' enc='dsa'

CLI Example:

Download SSH public key from remote host "hostname", optionally validate its fingerprint against "fingerprint" variable and save the record in the known_hosts file.

If such a record does already exists in there, do nothing.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' ssh.set_known_host <user> fingerprint='xx:xx:..:xx'
```

enc='ssh-rsa' conf

20.16.168 salt.modules.state

Control the state system on the minion

```
salt.modules.state.clear_cache()
```

Clear out cached state files, forcing even cache runs to refresh the cache on the next state execution.

Remember that the state cache is completely disabled by default, this execution only applies if cache=True is used in states

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' state.clear_cache
```

```
salt.modules.state.high (data, queue=False, **kwargs)
```

Execute the compound calls stored in a single set of high data This function is mostly intended for testing the state system

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' state.high '{"vim": {"pkg": ["installed"]}}'
```

salt.modules.state.highstate(test=None, queue=False, **kwargs)

Retrieve the state data from the salt master for this minion and execute it

Custom Pillar data can be passed with the pillar kwarg.

```
salt '*' state.highstate
salt '*' state.highstate exclude=sls_to_exclude
salt '*' state.highstate exclude="[{'id': 'id_to_exclude'}, {'sls': 'sls_to_exclude'}]"
salt '*' state.highstate pillar="{foo: 'Foo!', bar: 'Bar!'}"
```

```
salt.modules.state.low(data, queue=False, **kwargs)
     Execute a single low data call This function is mostly intended for testing the state system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.low '{"state": "pkg", "fun": "installed", "name": "vi"}'
salt.modules.state.pkg(pkg_path, pkg_sum, hash_type, test=False, **kwargs)
     Execute a packaged state run, the packaged state run will exist in a tarball available locally. This packaged state
     can be generated using salt-ssh.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.pkg /tmp/state_pkg.tgz
salt.modules.state.running(concurrent=False)
     Return a dict of state return data if a state function is already running. This function is used to prevent multiple
     state calls from being run at the same time.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.running
salt.modules.state.show_highstate(queue=False, **kwargs)
     Retrieve the highstate data from the salt master and display it
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.show_highstate
salt.modules.state.show_low_sls (mods, saltenv='base', test=None, queue=False, env=None,
                                           **kwargs)
     Display the low data from a specific sls. The default environment is base, use saltenv (env in Salt 0.17.x
     and older) to specify a different environment.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.show_low_sls foo
salt.modules.state.show_lowstate(queue=False, **kwargs)
     List out the low data that will be applied to this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.show_lowstate
salt.modules.state.show_sls(mods, saltenv='base', test=None, queue=False, env=None,
                                     **kwargs)
     Display the state data from a specific sls or list of sls files on the master. The default environment is base, use
     saltenv (env in Salt 0.17.x and older) to specify a different environment.
     This function does not support topfiles. For top.sls please use show_top instead.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.show_sls core,edit.vim dev
salt.modules.state.show_top(queue=False, **kwargs)
     Return the top data that the minion will use for a highstate
```

```
salt '*' state.show_top
```

```
salt.modules.state.single(fun, name, test=None, queue=False, **kwargs)
```

Execute a single state function with the named kwargs, returns False if insufficient data is sent to the command

By default, the values of the kwargs will be parsed as YAML. So, you can specify lists values, or lists of single entry key-value maps, as you would in a YAML salt file. Alternatively, JSON format of keyword values is also supported.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' state.single pkg.installed name=vim
```

Execute a set list of state modules from an environment. The default environment is base, use saltenv (env in Salt 0.17.x and older) to specify a different environment

Custom Pillar data can be passed with the pillar kwarg.

concurrent: WARNING: This flag is potentially dangerous. It is designed for use when multiple state runs can safely be run at the same Do not use this flag for performance optimization.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' state.sls core,edit.vim dev
     salt '*' state.sls core exclude="[{'id': 'id_to_exclude'}, {'sls': 'sls_to_exclude'}]"
     salt '*' state.sls myslsfile pillar="{foo: 'Foo!', bar: 'Bar!'}"
salt.modules.state.template(tem, queue=False, **kwargs)
     Execute the information stored in a template file on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.template '<Path to template on the minion>'
salt.modules.state.template_str(tem, queue=False, **kwargs)
     Execute the information stored in a string from an sls template
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.template_str '<Template String>'
salt.modules.state.top(topfn, test=None, queue=False, **kwargs)
     Execute a specific top file instead of the default
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' state.top reverse_top.sls
     salt '\star' state.top reverse_top.sls exclude=sls_to_exclude
```

salt '*' state.top reverse_top.sls exclude="[{'id': 'id_to_exclude'}, {'sls': 'sls_to_exclude'}]

20.16.169 salt.modules.status

Module for returning various status data about a minion. These data can be useful for compiling into stats later.

```
salt.modules.status.all_status()
```

Return a composite of all status data and info for this minion. Warning: There is a LOT here!

```
salt '*' status.all_status
salt.modules.status.cpuinfo()
     Return the CPU info for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.cpuinfo
salt.modules.status.cpustats()
     Return the CPU stats for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.cpustats
salt.modules.status.custom()
     Return a custom composite of status data and info for this minion, based on the minion config file. An example
     config like might be:
     status.cpustats.custom: [ 'cpu', 'ctxt', 'btime', 'processes' ]
     Where status refers to status.py, cpustats is the function where we get our data, and custom is this function It is
     followed by a list of keys that we want returned.
     This function is meant to replace all_status(), which returns anything and everything, which we probably don't
     By default, nothing is returned. Warning: Depending on what you include, there can be a LOT here!
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.custom
salt.modules.status.diskstats()
     Return the disk stats for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.diskstats
salt.modules.status.diskusage(*args)
     Return the disk usage for this minion
     Usage:
     salt '*' status.diskusage [paths and/or filesystem types]
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.diskusage
                                           # usage for all filesystems
     salt '*' status.diskusage / /tmp # usage for / and /tmp
     salt '*' status.diskusage ext? # usage for ext[234] filesystems
     salt '*' status.diskusage / ext? # usage for / and all ext filesystems
salt.modules.status.loadavg()
     Return the load averages for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.loadavg
```

```
salt.modules.status.meminfo()
     Return the memory info for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.meminfo
salt.modules.status.netdev()
     Return the network device stats for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.netdev
salt.modules.status.netstats()
     Return the network stats for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.netstats
salt.modules.status.pid(sig)
     Return the PID or an empty string if the process is running or not. Pass a signature to use to find the process via
     ps.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.pid <sig>
salt.modules.status.procs()
     Return the process data
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.procs
salt.modules.status.uptime()
     Return the uptime for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt ' *' status.uptime
salt.modules.status.version()
     Return the system version for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.version
salt.modules.status.vmstats()
     Return the virtual memory stats for this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.vmstats
salt.modules.status.w()
     Return a list of logged in users for this minion, using the w command
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' status.w
```

20.16.170 salt.modules.supervisord

```
Provide the service module for system supervisord or supervisord in a virtualenv
salt.modules.supervisord.add(name, user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Activates any updates in config for process/group.
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.add <name>
salt.modules.supervisord.custom(command, user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Run any custom supervisord command
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.custom "mstop '*gunicorn*'"
salt.modules.supervisord.options(name, conf_file=None)
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Read the config file and return the config options for a given process
     name Name of the configured process
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.options foo
salt.modules.supervisord.remove (name, user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Removes process/group from active config
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.remove <name>
salt.modules.supervisord.reread(user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Reload the daemon's configuration files
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisored bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' supervisord.reread
salt.modules.supervisord.restart(name='all', user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Restart the named service. Process group names should not include a trailing asterisk.
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisored bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.restart <service>
     salt '*' supervisord.restart <group>:
salt.modules.supervisord.start(name='all', user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Start the named service. Process group names should not include a trailing asterisk.
     user user to run supervisoretl as
     conf file path to supervisord config file
     bin env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.start <service>
     salt '*' supervisord.start <group>:
salt.modules.supervisord.status(name=None, user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     List programs and its state
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisored bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.status
salt.modules.supervisord.status_raw(name=None,
                                                                                      conf_file=None,
                                                                    user=None,
                                                 bin env=None)
     Display the raw output of status
     user user to run supervisoretl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.status_raw
salt.modules.supervisord.stop(name='all', user=None, conf file=None, bin env=None)
     Stop the named service. Process group names should not include a trailing asterisk.
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
```

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.stop <service>
     salt '*' supervisord.stop <group>:
salt.modules.supervisord.update(user=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)
     Reload config and add/remove as necessary
     user user to run supervisorctl as
     conf_file path to supervisord config file
     bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' supervisord.update
20.16.171 salt.modules.svn
Subversion SCM
salt.modules.svn.add(cwd, targets, user=None, username=None, password=None, *opts)
     Add files to be tracked by the Subversion working-copy checkout
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     targets [None] files and directories to pass to the command as arguments
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
          New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.add /path/to/repo /path/to/new/file
salt.modules.svn.checkout(cwd, remote, target=None, user=None, username=None, pass-
                                  word=None, *opts)
     Download a working copy of the remote Subversion repository directory or file
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     remote [None] URL to checkout
     target [None] The name to give the file or directory working copy Default: svn uses the remote basename
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
          New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.checkout /path/to/repo svn://remote/repo
salt.modules.svn.commit(cwd, targets=None, msg=None, user=None, username=None, pass-
                                word=None, *opts)
     Commit the current directory, files, or directories to the remote Subversion repository
```

```
cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     targets [None] files and directories to pass to the command as arguments Default: svn uses '.'
     msg [None] Message to attach to the commit log
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
           New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.commit /path/to/repo
salt.modules.svn.diff(cwd, targets=None, user=None, username=None, password=None, *opts)
     Return the diff of the current directory, files, or directories from the remote Subversion repository
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     targets [None] files and directories to pass to the command as arguments Default: svn uses '.'
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
           New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.diff /path/to/repo
salt.modules.svn.export(cwd, remote, target=None, user=None, username=None, password=None,
                                 revision='HEAD', *opts)
     Create an unversioned copy of a tree.
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     remote [None] URL and path to file or directory checkout
     target [None] The name to give the file or directory working copy Default: svn uses the remote basename
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
           New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.export /path/to/repo svn://remote/repo
salt.modules.svn.info(cwd, targets=None, user=None, username=None, password=None,
                              fmt = 'str')
     Display the Subversion information from the checkout.
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     targets [None] files, directories, and URLs to pass to the command as arguments svn uses '.' by default
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
```

```
username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
          New in version 0.17.0.
     fmt [str] How to fmt the output from info. (str, xml, list, dict)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.info /path/to/svn/repo
salt.modules.svn.remove(cwd, targets, msg=None, user=None, username=None, password=None,
     Remove files and directories from the Subversion repository
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     targets [None] files, directories, and URLs to pass to the command as arguments
     msg [None] Message to attach to the commit log
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
          New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.remove /path/to/repo /path/to/repo/remove
salt.modules.svn.status(cwd, targets=None, user=None, username=None, password=None, *opts)
     Display the status of the current directory, files, or directories in the Subversion repository
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     targets [None] files, directories, and URLs to pass to the command as arguments Default: svn uses '.'
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
     password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
          New in version 0.17.0.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' svn.status /path/to/repo
salt.modules.svn.switch(cwd, remote, target=None, user=None, username=None, password=None,
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Switch a working copy of a remote Subversion repository directory
     cwd The path to the Subversion repository
     remote [None] URL to switch
     target [None] The name to give the file or directory working copy Default: svn uses the remote basename
     user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
     username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
```

```
password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
CLI Example:
    salt '*' svn.switch /path/to/repo svn://remote/repo

salt.modules.svn.update (cwd, targets=None, user=None, username=None, password=None, *opts)
    Update the current directory, files, or directories from the remote Subversion repository
    cwd The path to the Subversion repository
    targets [None] files and directories to pass to the command as arguments Default: svn uses '.'
    user [None] Run svn as a user other than what the minion runs as
    password [None] Connect to the Subversion server with this password
        New in version 0.17.0.
    username [None] Connect to the Subversion server as another user
CLI Example:
    salt '*' svn.update /path/to/repo
```

20.16.172 salt.modules.sysbench

The 'sysbench' module is used to analyse the performance of the minions, right from the master! It measures various system parameters such as CPU, Memory, FileI/O, Threads and Mutex.

- •sequential rewrite
- •sequential read
- •random read
- •random write
- •random read and write

The test works with 32 files with each file being 1Gb in size The test consumes a lot of time. Be patient!

```
salt '*' sysbench.fileio

salt.modules.sysbench.memory()
   This tests the memory for read and write operations.
   CLI Examples:
   salt '*' sysbench.memory
```

```
salt.modules.sysbench.mutex()
    Tests the implementation of mutex

CLI Examples:
    salt '*' sysbench.mutex

salt.modules.sysbench.ping()

salt.modules.sysbench.threads()
    This tests the performance of the processor's scheduler
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' sysbench.threads
```

20.16.173 salt.modules.sysmod

The sys module provides information about the available functions on the minion

```
salt.modules.sysmod.argspec(module='')
```

Return the argument specification of functions in Salt execution modules.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' sys.argspec pkg.install
salt '*' sys.argspec sys
salt '*' sys.argspec
```

```
salt.modules.sysmod.doc(*args)
```

Return the docstrings for all modules. Optionally, specify a module or a function to narrow the selection.

The strings are aggregated into a single document on the master for easy reading.

Multiple modules/functions can be specified.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' sys.doc
salt '*' sys.doc sys
salt '*' sys.doc sys.doc
salt '*' sys.doc network.traceroute user.info
```

salt.modules.sysmod.list_functions(*args, **kwargs)

List the functions for all modules. Optionally, specify a module or modules from which to list.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' sys.list_functions
salt '*' sys.list_functions sys
salt '*' sys.list_functions sys user

salt.modules.sysmod.list_modules()
    List the modules loaded on the minion
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' sys.list_modules

salt.modules.sysmod.reload_modules()
```

Tell the minion to reload the execution modules

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' sys.reload_modules
```

20.16.174 salt.modules.system

```
Support for reboot, shutdown, etc
salt.modules.system.halt()
     Halt a running system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.halt
salt.modules.system.init(runlevel)
     Change the system runlevel on sysV compatible systems
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.init 3
salt.modules.system.poweroff()
     Poweroff a running system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.poweroff
salt.modules.system.reboot()
     Reboot the system using the 'reboot' command
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.reboot
salt.modules.system.shutdown(at_time=None)
     Shutdown a running system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.shutdown
```

20.16.175 salt.modules.systemd

```
Provide the service module for systemd
```

```
salt.modules.systemd.available (name)
Check that the given service is available taking into account template units.
CLI Example:
salt '*' service.available sshd
salt.modules.systemd.disable (name, **kwargs)
Disable the named service to not start when the system boots
```

```
salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.disabled(name)
     Return if the named service is disabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.enable(name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start when the system boots
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.enabled(name)
     Return if the named service is enabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.force_reload(name)
     Force-reload the specified service with systemd
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.force_reload <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.get all()
     Return a list of all available services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.systemd.get disabled()
     Return a list of all disabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.systemd.get_enabled()
     Return a list of all enabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.systemd.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.systemd.reload(name)
     Reload the specified service with systemd
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.restart(name)
     Restart the specified service with systemd
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.start(name)
     Start the specified service with systemd
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service via systemd, returns a bool whether the service is running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service with systemd
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
salt.modules.systemd.systemctl reload()
     Reloads systemctl, an action needed whenever unit files are updated.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.systemctl_reload
```

20.16.176 salt.modules.test

Module for running arbitrary tests

```
salt.modules.test.arg(*args, **kwargs)
```

Print out the data passed into the function *args and `kwargs, this is used to both test the publication data and cli argument passing, but also to display the information available within the publication data. Returns {"args": args, "kwargs": kwargs}.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' test.arg 1 "two" 3.1 txt="hello" wow='{a: 1, b: "hello"}'
salt.modules.test.arg_repr(*args, **kwargs)
```

Print out the data passed into the function *args and `kwargs, this is used to both test the publication data and cli argument passing, but also to display the information available within the publication data. Returns {"args": repr(args), "kwargs": repr(kwargs)}.

```
salt '*' test.arg_repr 1 "two" 3.1 txt="hello" wow='{a: 1, b: "hello"}'
```

```
salt.modules.test.arg_type(*args, **kwargs)
     Print out the types of the args and kwargs. This is used to test the types of the args and kwargs passed down to
     the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.arg_type 1 'int'
salt.modules.test.collatz(start)
     Execute the collatz conjecture from the passed starting number, returns the sequence and the time it took to
     compute. Used for performance tests.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.collatz 3
salt.modules.test.conf test()
     Return the value for test.foo in the minion configuration file, or return the default value
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.conf_test
salt.modules.test.cross_test(func, args=None)
     Execute a minion function via the __salt__ object in the test module, used to verify that the minion functions
     can be called via the salt module.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.cross_test file.gid_to_group 0
salt.modules.test.echo(text)
     Return a string - used for testing the connection
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.echo 'foo bar baz quo qux'
salt.modules.test.exception(message='Test Exception')
     Raise an exception
     Optionally provide an error message or output the full stack.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.exception 'Oh noes!'
salt.modules.test.fib(num)
     Return a Fibonacci sequence up to the passed number, and the timeit took to compute in seconds. Used for
     performance tests
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.fib 3
salt.modules.test.get_opts()
     Return the configuration options passed to this minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.get_opts
```

```
salt.modules.test.kwarg(**kwargs)
     Print out the data passed into the function **kwarqs, this is used to both test the publication data and cli kwarg
     passing, but also to display the information available within the publication data.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.kwarg num=1 txt="two" env='{a: 1, b: "hello"}'
salt.modules.test.not_loaded()
     List the modules that were not loaded by the salt loader system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.not_loaded
salt.modules.test.opts_pkg()
     Return an opts package with the grains and opts for this minion. This is primarily used to create the options
     used for master side state compiling routines
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.opts_pkg
salt.modules.test.outputter(data)
     Test the outputter, pass in data to return
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.outputter foobar
salt.modules.test.ping()
     Just used to make sure the minion is up and responding Return True
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.ping
salt.modules.test.provider(module)
     Pass in a function name to discover what provider is being used
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.provider service
salt.modules.test.providers()
     Return a dict of the provider names and the files that provided them
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.providers
salt.modules.test.rand_sleep(max=60)
     Sleep for a random number of seconds, used to test long-running commands and minions returning at differing
     intervals
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.rand_sleep 60
salt.modules.test.retcode(code=42)
     Test that the returncode system is functioning correctly
```

```
salt '*' test.retcode 42
salt.modules.test.sleep(length)
     Instruct the minion to initiate a process that will sleep for a given period of time.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.sleep 20
salt.modules.test.stack()
     Return the current stack trace
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.stack
salt.modules.test.tty(device, echo=None)
     Echo a string to a specific tty
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.tty tty0 'This is a test'
     salt '*' test.tty pts3 'This is a test'
salt.modules.test.version()
     Return the version of salt on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.version
salt.modules.test.versions_information()
     Returns versions of components used by salt as a dict
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.versions_information
salt.modules.test.versions_report()
     Returns versions of components used by salt
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' test.versions_report
```

20.16.177 salt.modules.timezone

```
Module for managing timezone on POSIX-like systems.
```

```
salt.modules.timezone.get_hwclock()
     Get current hardware clock setting (UTC or localtime)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_hwclock
salt.modules.timezone.get_offset()
     Get current numeric timezone offset from UCT (i.e. -0700)
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' timezone.get_offset
salt.modules.timezone.get_zone()
     Get current timezone (i.e. America/Denver)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_zone
salt.modules.timezone.get_zonecode()
     Get current timezone (i.e. PST, MDT, etc)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_zonecode
salt.modules.timezone.set hwclock(clock)
     Sets the hardware clock to be either UTC or localtime
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.set_hwclock UTC
salt.modules.timezone.set zone(timezone)
     Unlinks, then symlinks /etc/localtime to the set timezone.
     The timezone is crucial to several system processes, each of which SHOULD be restarted (for instance, whatever
     you system uses as its cron and syslog daemons). This will not be magically done for you!
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.set_zone 'America/Denver'
salt.modules.timezone.zone compare(timezone)
     Checks the md5sum between the given timezone, and the one set in /etc/localtime. Returns True if they match,
```

salt '*' timezone.zone_compare 'America/Denver'

and False if not. Mostly useful for running state checks.

20.16.178 salt.modules.tls

A salt module for SSL/TLS. Can create a Certificate Authority (CA) or use Self-Signed certificates.

depends

PyOpenSSL Python module

configuration Add the following values in /etc/salt/minion for the CA module to function properly:

Create a Certificate Authority (CA)

ca_name name of the CA

bits number of RSA key bits, default is 2048

days number of days the CA will be valid, default is 365

CN common name in the request, default is "localhost"

C country, default is "US"

ST state, default is "Utah"

L locality, default is "Centerville", the city where SaltStack originated

O organization, default is "SaltStack"

OU organizational unit, default is None

emailAddress email address for the CA owner, default is 'xyz@pdq.net'

Writes out a CA certificate based upon defined config values. If the file already exists, the function just returns assuming the CA certificate already exists.

If the following values were set:

```
ca.cert_base_path='/etc/pki'
ca_name='koji'
```

the resulting CA, and corresponding key, would be written in the following location:

```
/etc/pki/koji/koji_ca_cert.crt
/etc/pki/koji/koji_ca_cert.key
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' tls.create_ca test_ca
```

```
salt.modules.tls.create_ca_signed_cert (ca_name, CN, days=365)
```

Create a Certificate (CERT) signed by a named Certificate Authority (CA)

ca_name name of the CA

CN common name matching the certificate signing request

days number of days certificate is valid, default is 365 (1 year)

Writes out a Certificate (CERT) If the file already exists, the function just returns assuming the CERT already exists.

The CN must match an existing CSR generated by create_csr. If it does not, this method does nothing.

If the following values were set:

```
ca.cert_base_path='/etc/pki'
ca_name='koji'
CN='test.egavas.org'
```

the resulting signed certificate would be written in the following location:

```
/etc/pki/koji/certs/test.egavas.org.crt
```

```
salt '*' tls.create_ca_signed_cert test localhost

salt.modules.tls.create_csr(ca_name, bits=2048, CN='localhost', C='US', ST='Utah',

L='Salt Lake City', O='SaltStack', OU=None, emailAd-
dress='xyz@pdq.net')

Create a Certificate Signing Request (CSR) for a particular Certificate Authority (CA)
```

```
ca name name of the CA
```

bits number of RSA key bits, default is 2048

CN common name in the request, default is "localhost"

C country, default is "US"

ST state, default is "Utah"

L locality, default is "Centerville", the city where SaltStack originated

O organization, default is "SaltStack" NOTE: Must the same as CA certificate or an error will be raised

OU organizational unit, default is None

emailAddress email address for the request, default is 'xyz@pdq.net'

Writes out a Certificate Signing Request (CSR) If the file already exists, the function just returns assuming the CSR already exists.

If the following values were set:

```
ca.cert_base_path='/etc/pki'
ca_name='koji'
CN='test.egavas.org'
```

the resulting CSR, and corresponding key, would be written in the following location:

```
/etc/pki/koji/certs/test.egavas.org.csr
/etc/pki/koji/certs/test.egavas.org.key
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' tls.create_csr test
```

```
salt.modules.tls.create_pkcs12 (ca_name, CN, passphrase='')
```

Create a PKCS#12 browser certificate for a particular Certificate (CN)

ca_name name of the CA

CN common name matching the certificate signing request

passphrase used to unlock the PKCS#12 certificate when loaded into the browser

If the following values were set:

```
ca.cert_base_path='/etc/pki'
ca_name='koji'
CN='test.egavas.org'
```

the resulting signed certificate would be written in the following location:

```
/etc/pki/koji/certs/test.egavas.org.p12
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' tls.create_pkcs12 test localhost
```

```
salt.modules.tls.create_self_signed_cert (tls_dir='tls', bits=2048, days=365, CN='localhost', C='US', ST='Utah', L='Salt Lake City', O='SaltStack', OU=None, emailAd-dress='xyz@pdq.net')
```

Create a Self-Signed Certificate (CERT)

tls_dir location appended to the ca.cert_base_path, default is 'tls'

bits number of RSA key bits, default is 2048

CN common name in the request, default is "localhost"

C country, default is "US"

ST state, default is "Utah"

L locality, default is "Centerville", the city where SaltStack originated

O organization, default is "SaltStack" NOTE: Must the same as CA certificate or an error will be raised

OU organizational unit, default is None

emailAddress email address for the request, default is 'xyz@pdq.net'

Writes out a Self-Signed Certificate (CERT). If the file already exists, the function just returns.

If the following values were set:

```
ca.cert_base_path='/etc/pki'
tls_dir='koji'
CN='test.egavas.org'
```

the resulting CERT, and corresponding key, would be written in the following location:

```
/etc/pki/koji/certs/test.egavas.org.crt
/etc/pki/koji/certs/test.egavas.org.key
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' tls.create_self_signed_cert
```

Passing options from the command line:

```
salt 'minion' tls.create_self_signed_cert CN='test.mysite.org'
```

20.16.179 salt.modules.tomcat

Support for Tomcat

This module uses the manager webapp to manage Apache tomcat webapps If the manager webapp is not configured some of the functions won't work

The following grains/pillar should be set:

```
tomcat-manager.user: admin user name
tomcat-manager.passwd: password
```

and also configure a user in the conf/tomcat-users.xml file:

Notes:

- More information about tomcat manager: http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/manager-howto.html
- if you use only this module for deployments you've might want to strict access to the manager only from localhost for more info: http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/manager-howto.html#Configuring_Manager_Application_Access

```
• Tested on:
     JVM Vendor: Sun Microsystems Inc.
     JVM Version: 1.6.0 43-b01
     OS Architecture: amd64
     OS Name: Linux
     OS Version: 2.6.32-358.el6.x86 64
     Tomcat Version: Apache Tomcat/7.0.37
salt.modules.tomcat.deploy_war(war, context, force='no', url='http://localhost:8080/manager',
                                        saltenv='base', timeout=180, env=None)
     Deploy a WAR file
     war absolute path to WAR file (should be accessible by the user running tomcat) or a path supported by the
          salt.modules.cp.get_file function
     context the context path to deploy
     force [False] set True to deploy the webapp even one is deployed in the context
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     saltenv [base] the environment for WAR file in used by salt.modules.cp.get_url function
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     cp module
     salt '*' tomcat.deploy_war salt://application.war /api
     salt '*' tomcat.deploy_war salt://application.war /api no
     salt '*' tomcat.deploy_war salt://application.war /api yes http://localhost:8080/manager
     minion local file system
     salt '*' tomcat.deploy_war /tmp/application.war /api
     salt '*' tomcat.deploy_war /tmp/application.war /api no
     salt '*' tomcat.deploy_war /tmp/application.war /api yes http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.fullversion()
     Return all server information from catalina.sh version
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' tomcat.fullversion
salt.modules.tomcat.leaks(url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     Find memory leaks in tomcat
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.leaks
salt.modules.tomcat.ls(url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     list all the deployed webapps
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
```

```
timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.ls
     salt '*' tomcat.ls http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.passwd(passwd, user='', alg='md5', realm=None)
     This function replaces the $CATALINS_HOME/bin/digest.sh script convert a clear-text password to the
     $CATALINA BASE/conf/tomcat-users.xml format
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.passwd secret
     salt '*' tomcat.passwd secret tomcat shal
     salt '*' tomcat.passwd secret tomcat shal 'Protected Realm'
salt.modules.tomcat.reload(app, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     Reload the webapp
     app the webapp context path
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.reload /jenkins
     salt '*' tomcat.reload /jenkins http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.serverinfo(url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     return detailes about the server
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.serverinfo
     salt '*' tomcat.serverinfo http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.sessions(app, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     return the status of the webapp sessions
     app the webapp context path
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.sessions /jenkins
     salt '*' tomcat.sessions /jenkins http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.signal(signal=None)
     Signals catalina to start, stop, securestart, forcestop.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' tomcat.signal start
```

```
salt.modules.tomcat.start (app, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     Start the webapp
     app the webapp context path
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.start /jenkins
     salt '*' tomcat.start /jenkins http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.status(url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     Used to test if the tomcat manager is up
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.status
     salt '*' tomcat.status http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.status_webapp(app, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     return the status of the webapp (stopped | running | missing)
     app the webapp context path
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.status_webapp /jenkins
     salt '*' tomcat.status_webapp /jenkins http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.stop(app, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     Stop the webapp
     app the webapp context path
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
     salt '*' tomcat.stop /jenkins
     salt '*' tomcat.stop /jenkins http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.undeploy(app, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
     Undeploy a webapp
     app the webapp context path
     url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp
     timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request
     CLI Examples:
```

```
salt '*' tomcat.undeploy /jenkins
salt '*' tomcat.undeploy /jenkins http://localhost:8080/manager
salt.modules.tomcat.version()
Return server version from catalina.sh version
CLI Example:
salt '*' tomcat.version
```

20.16.180 salt.modules.upstart

Module for the management of upstart systems. The Upstart system only supports service starting, stopping and restarting.

Currently (as of Ubuntu 12.04) there is no tool available to disable Upstart services (like update-rc.d). This[1] is the recommended way to disable an Upstart service. So we assume that all Upstart services that have not been disabled in this manner are enabled.

But this is broken because we do not check to see that the dependent services are enabled. Otherwise we would have to do something like parse the output of "initctl show-config" to determine if all service dependencies are enabled to start on boot. For example, see the "start on" condition for the lightdm service below[2]. And this would be too hard. So we wait until the upstart developers have solved this problem. :) This is to say that an Upstart service that is enabled may not really be enabled.

Also, when an Upstart service is enabled, should the dependent services be enabled too? Probably not. But there should be a notice about this, at least.

- [1] http://upstart.ubuntu.com/cookbook/#disabling-a-job-from-automatically-starting
- [2] example upstart configuration file:

```
lightdm
emits login-session-start
emits desktop-session-start
emits desktop-shutdown
start on ((((filesystem and runlevel [!06]) and started dbus) and (drm-device-added card0 PRIMARY_DEV
stop on runlevel [016]
```

Warning: This module should not be used on Red Hat systems. For these, the rh_service module should be used, as it supports the hybrid upstart/sysvinit system used in RHEL/CentOS 6.

```
salt.modules.upstart.available (name)
   Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.
   CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.available sshd

salt.modules.upstart.disable (name, **kwargs)
   Disable the named service from starting on boot
   CLI Example:
    salt '*' service.disable <service name>

salt.modules.upstart.disabled (name)
   Check to see if the named service is disabled to start on boot
   CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.enable(name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.enabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is enabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.force_reload(name)
     Force-reload the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.force_reload <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.full_restart(name)
     Do a full restart (stop/start) of the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.full_restart <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.get_all()
     Return all installed services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.upstart.get_disabled()
     Return the disabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.upstart.get_enabled()
     Return the enabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.upstart.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing sshd
salt.modules.upstart.reload(name)
     Reload the named service
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' service.reload <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.status(name, sig=None)
     Return the status for a service, returns a bool whether the service is running.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.status <service name>
salt.modules.upstart.stop(name)
     Stop the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.stop <service name>
20.16.181 salt.modules.useradd
Manage users with the useradd command
salt.modules.useradd.add(name, uid=None, gid=None, groups=None, home=None, shell=None,
                              unique=True, system=False, fullname='', roomnumber='', work-
                              phone='', homephone='', createhome=True)
     Add a user to the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.add name <uid> <gid> <groups> <home> <shell>
salt.modules.useradd.chfullname(name, fullname)
     Change the user's Full Name
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chfullname foo "Foo Bar"
salt.modules.useradd.chgid(name, gid)
     Change the default group of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgid foo 4376
salt.modules.useradd.chgroups (name, groups, append=False)
     Change the groups this user belongs to, add append to append the specified groups
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' user.chgroups foo wheel, root True
salt.modules.useradd.chhome (name, home, persist=False)
     Change the home directory of the user, pass true for persist to copy files to the new home dir
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhome foo /home/users/foo True
salt.modules.useradd.chhomephone(name, homephone)
     Change the user's Home Phone
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhomephone foo "7735551234"
salt.modules.useradd.chroomnumber(name, roomnumber)
     Change the user's Room Number
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chroomnumber foo 123
salt.modules.useradd.chshell(name, shell)
     Change the default shell of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chshell foo /bin/zsh
salt.modules.useradd.chuid(name, uid)
     Change the uid for a named user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chuid foo 4376
salt.modules.useradd.chworkphone(name, workphone)
     Change the user's Work Phone
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chworkphone foo "7735550123"
salt.modules.useradd.delete(name, remove=False, force=False)
     Remove a user from the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.delete name remove=True force=True
salt.modules.useradd.getent(refresh=False)
     Return the list of all info for all users
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.getent
salt.modules.useradd.info(name)
     Return user information
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' user.info root

salt.modules.useradd.list_groups (name)
    Return a list of groups the named user belongs to

CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.list_groups foo

salt.modules.useradd.list_users()
    Return a list of all users

CLI Example:
    salt '*' user.list_users
```

20.16.182 salt.modules.uwsgi

```
uWSGI stats server http://uwsgi-docs.readthedocs.org/en/latest/StatsServer.html
```

```
maintainer Peter Baumgartner <pete@lincolnloop.com>
maturity new
platform all
salt.modules.uwsgi.stats(socket)
Return the data from uwsgi -connect-and-read as a dictionary.
socket The socket the uWSGI stats server is listening on
CLI Example:
salt '*' uwsgi.stats /var/run/mystatsserver.sock
salt '*' uwsgi.stats 127.0.0.1:5050
```

20.16.183 salt.modules.virt

```
Work with virtual machines managed by libvirt
```

```
depends libvirt Python module
salt .modules.virt.create (vm_)
    Start a defined domain
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.create <vm name>
salt .modules.virt.create_xml_path (path)
    Start a domain based on the XML-file path passed to the function
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' virt.create_xml_path <path to XML file on the node>
salt .modules.virt.create_xml_str(xml)
    Start a domain based on the XML passed to the function
    CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' virt.create_xml_str <XML in string format>
salt.modules.virt.ctrl_alt_del(vm_)
     Sends CTRL+ALT+DEL to a VM
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.ctrl_alt_del <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.define_vol_xml_path(path)
     Define a volume based on the XML-file path passed to the function
     CLI Example:
     salt '\star' virt.define_vol_xml_path <path to XML file on the node>
salt.modules.virt.define_vol_xml_str(xml)
     Define a volume based on the XML passed to the function
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.define_vol_xml_str <XML in string format>
salt.modules.virt.define xml path(path)
     Define a domain based on the XML-file path passed to the function
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.define_xml_path <path to XML file on the node>
salt.modules.virt.define_xml_str(xml)
     Define a domain based on the XML passed to the function
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.define_xml_str <XML in string format>
salt.modules.virt.destroy(vm_)
     Hard power down the virtual machine, this is equivalent to pulling the power
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.destroy <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.freecpu()
     Return an int representing the number of unallocated cpus on this hypervisor
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.freecpu
salt.modules.virt.freemem()
     Return an int representing the amount of memory that has not been given to virtual machines on this node
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.freemem
salt.modules.virt.full_info()
     Return the node_info, vm_info and freemem
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' virt.full_info
salt.modules.virt.get_disks(vm_)
     Return the disks of a named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_disks <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.get_graphics(vm_)
     Returns the information on vnc for a given vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_graphics <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.get macs(vm )
     Return a list off MAC addresses from the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_macs <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.get_nics(vm_)
     Return info about the network interfaces of a named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_nics <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.get_profiles(hypervisor=None)
     Return the virt profiles for hypervisor.
     Currently there are profiles for:
        •nic
        •disk
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_profiles
     salt '*' virt.get_profiles hypervisor=esxi
salt.modules.virt.get_xml (vm_)
     Returns the XML for a given vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_xml <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.init(name, cpu, mem, image=None, nic='default', hypervisor='kvm', start=True,
                            disk='default', saltenv='base', **kwargs)
     Initialize a new vm
     CLI Example:
     salt 'hypervisor' virt.init vm_name 4 512 salt://path/to/image.raw
     salt 'hypervisor' virt.init vm_name 4 512 nic=profile disk=profile
salt.modules.virt.is_hyper()
     Returns a bool whether or not this node is a hypervisor of any kind
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' virt.is_hyper
salt.modules.virt.is_kvm_hyper()
     Returns a bool whether or not this node is a KVM hypervisor
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.is_kvm_hyper
salt.modules.virt.is_xen_hyper()
     Returns a bool whether or not this node is a XEN hypervisor
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.is_xen_hyper
salt.modules.virt.list active vms()
     Return a list of names for active virtual machine on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.list_active_vms
salt.modules.virt.list inactive vms()
     Return a list of names for inactive virtual machine on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.list_inactive_vms
salt.modules.virt.list vms()
     Return a list of virtual machine names on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.list_vms
salt.modules.virt.migrate(vm_, target, ssh=False)
     Shared storage migration
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.migrate <vm name> <target hypervisor>
salt.modules.virt.migrate_non_shared(vm_, target, ssh=False)
     Attempt to execute non-shared storage "all" migration
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.migrate_non_shared <vm name> <target hypervisor>
salt.modules.virt.migrate_non_shared_inc(vm_, target, ssh=False)
     Attempt to execute non-shared storage "all" migration
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.migrate_non_shared_inc <vm name> <target hypervisor>
salt.modules.virt.node info()
     Return a dict with information about this node
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' virt.node_info
salt.modules.virt.pause(vm_)
     Pause the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.pause <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.purge(vm_, dirs=False)
     Recursively destroy and delete a virtual machine, pass True for dir's to also delete the directories containing the
     virtual machine disk images - USE WITH EXTREME CAUTION!
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.purge <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.reboot(vm_)
     Reboot a domain via ACPI request
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.reboot <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.reset(vm )
     Reset a VM by emulating the reset button on a physical machine
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.reset <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.resume(vm_)
     Resume the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.resume <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.seed_non_shared_migrate(disks, force=False)
     Non shared migration requires that the disks be present on the migration destination, pass the disks information
     via this function, to the migration destination before executing the migration.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.seed_non_shared_migrate <disks>
salt.modules.virt.set_autostart(vm_, state='on')
     Set the autostart flag on a VM so that the VM will start with the host system on reboot.
     CLI Example:
     salt "*" virt.set_autostart <vm name> <on | off>
salt.modules.virt.setmem(vm_, memory, config=False)
     Changes the amount of memory allocated to VM. The VM must be shutdown for this to work.
     memory is to be specified in MB If config is True then we ask libvirt to modify the config as well
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.setmem myvm 768
```

```
salt.modules.virt.setvcpus(vm_, vcpus, config=False)
     Changes the amount of vcpus allocated to VM. The VM must be shutdown for this to work.
     vcpus is an int representing the number to be assigned If config is True then we ask libvirt to modify the config
     as well
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.setvcpus myvm 2
salt.modules.virt.shutdown(vm )
     Send a soft shutdown signal to the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.shutdown <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.start(vm )
     Alias for the obscurely named 'create' function
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.start <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.stop(vm_)
     Alias for the obscurely named 'destroy' function
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.stop <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.undefine(vm_)
     Remove a defined vm, this does not purge the virtual machine image, and this only works if the vm is powered
     down
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.undefine <vm name>
salt.modules.virt.virt_type()
     Returns the virtual machine type as a string
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.virt_type
salt.modules.virt.vm_cputime(vm_=None)
     Return cputime used by the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:
     [
          'your-vm': {
              'cputime' <int>
              'cputime_percent' <int>
              },
          ]
```

If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return all VMs.

```
salt '*' virt.vm_cputime
salt.modules.virt.vm_diskstats(vm_=None)
     Return disk usage counters used by the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:
          'your-vm': {
              'rd_req'
                           : 0,
              'rd_bytes' : 0,
              'wr_req'
                          : 0,
              'wr_bytes' : 0,
              'errs'
              },
          ]
     If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return
     all VMs.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.vm_blockstats
salt.modules.virt.vm_info(vm_=None)
     Return detailed information about the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:
          'your-vm': {
              'cpu': <int>,
              'maxMem': <int>,
              'mem': <int>,
              'state': '<state>',
              'cputime' <int>
              },
          ]
     If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return
     all VMs.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.vm_info
salt.modules.virt.vm_netstats(vm_=None)
     Return combined network counters used by the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:
          'your-vm': {
              'rx_bytes'
                             : 0,
              'rx_packets' : 0,
              'rx_errs'
                             : 0,
              'rx_drop'
              'tx_bytes'
              'tx_packets' : 0,
                          : 0,
: 0
              'tx_errs'
```

'tx_drop'

},

]

If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return all VMs.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' virt.vm_netstats
salt.modules.virt.vm_state(vm_=None)
Return list of all the vms and their state.
```

If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return all VMs.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' virt.vm_state <vm name>
```

20.16.184 salt.modules.virtualenv

Create virtualenv environments

```
salt.modules.virtualenv_mod.create(path, venv_bin=None, no_site_packages=None, system_site_packages=False, distribute=False, clear=False, python=None, extra_search_dir=None, never_download=None, prompt=None, pip=False, symlinks=None, upgrade=None, user=None, runas=None, saltenv='base')
```

Create a virtualeny

path The path to create the virtualenv

venv_bin [None (default 'virtualenv')] The name (and optionally path) of the virtualenv command. This can also be set globally in the minion config file as virtualenv.venv bin.

no_site_packages [None] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv if True. Deprecated since salt>=0.17.0. Use system_site_packages=False instead.

system_site_packages [False] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv or pyvenv

distribute [False] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv

pip [False] Install pip after creating a virtual environment, implies distribute=True

clear [False] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv or pyvenv

python [None (default)] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv

extra_search_dir [None (default)] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv

never_download [None (default)] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv if True

prompt [None (default)] Passthrough argument given to virtualenv if not None

symlinks [None] Passthrough argument given to pyvenv if True

upgrade [None] Passthrough argument given to pyvenv if True

user [None] Set ownership for the virtualenv

runas [None] Set ownership for the virtualenv

Note: The runas argument is deprecated as of Hydrogen. user should be used instead.

CLI Example: salt '*' virtualenv.create /path/to/new/virtualenv salt.modules.virtualenv_mod.get_site_packages (venv) Returns the path to the site-packages directory inside a virtualenv CLI Example: salt '*' virtualenv.get_site_packages /path/to/my/venv

20.16.185 salt.modules.win autoruns

Module for listing programs that automatically run on startup (very alpha...not tested on anything but my Win 7x64)

```
salt.modules.win_autoruns.list()
   Get a list of automatically running programs
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' autoruns.list
```

20.16.186 salt.modules.win disk

Module for gathering disk information on Windows

depends

• win32api Python module

```
\verb|salt.modules.win_disk.usage|()|
```

Return usage information for volumes mounted on this minion

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' disk.usage
```

20.16.187 salt.modules.win_dns_client

Module for configuring DNS Client on Windows systems

```
salt.modules.win_dns_client.add_dns (ip, interface='Local Area Connection', index=1)
Add the DNS server to the network interface (index starts from 1)
```

Note: if the interface DNS is configured by DHCP, all the DNS servers will be removed from the interface and the requested DNS will be the only one

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' win_dns_client.add_dns <interface> <index>
salt.modules.win_dns_client.dns_dhcp (interface='Local Area Connection')
Configure the interface to get its DNS servers from the DHCP server
CLI Example:
salt '*' win_dns_client.dns_dhcp <interface>
```

```
salt.modules.win_dns_client.get_dns_config (interface='Local Area Connection')
     Get the type of DNS configuration (dhcp / static)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' win_dns_client.get_dns_config 'Local Area Connection'
salt.modules.win_dns_client.qet_dns_servers (interface='Local Area Connection')
     Return a list of the configured DNS servers of the specified interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' win_dns_client.get_dns_servers 'Local Area Connection'
salt.modules.win_dns_client.rm_dns(ip, interface='Local Area Connection')
     Remove the DNS server to the network interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' win_dns_client.rm_dns <interface>
20.16.188 salt.modules.win_file
Manage information about files on the minion, set/read user, group data
     depends
            • win32api
            • win32con
            · win32security

    ntsecuritycon

salt.modules.win_file.chgrp (path, group)
     Change the group of a file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.chgrp c:\temp\test.txt administrators
salt.modules.win file.chown (path, user, group)
     Chown a file, pass the file the desired user and group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.chown c:\temp\test.txt myusername administrators
salt.modules.win_file.get_attributes(path)
     Return a dictionary object with the Windows file attributes for a file.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_attributes c:\temp\a.txt
salt.modules.win_file.get_gid(path)
     Return the id of the group that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_gid c:\temp\test.txt
```

```
salt.modules.win_file.get_group (path)
     Return the group that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_group c:\temp\test.txt
salt.modules.win_file.get_mode(path)
     Return the mode of a file
     Right now we're just returning None because Windows' doesn't have a mode like Linux
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_mode /etc/passwd
salt.modules.win_file.get_uid(path)
     Return the id of the user that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_uid c:\temp\test.txt
salt.modules.win_file.get_user(path)
     Return the user that owns a given file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.get_user c:\temp\test.txt
salt.modules.win_file.gid_to_group(gid)
     Convert the group id to the group name on this system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.gid_to_group S-1-5-21-626487655-2533044672-482107328-1010
salt.modules.win_file.group_to_gid(group)
     Convert the group to the gid on this system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.group_to_gid administrators
salt.modules.win_file.set_attributes(path, archive=None, hidden=None, normal=None,
                                              notIndexed=None, readonly=None, system=None, tem-
                                              porary=None)
     Set file attributes for a file. Note that the normal attribute means that all others are false. So setting it will clear
     all others.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.set_attributes c:\temp\a.txt normal=True
     salt '*' file.set_attributes c:\temp\a.txt readonly=True hidden=True
salt.modules.win_file.set_mode(path, mode)
     Set the mode of a file
     This just calls get_mode, which returns None because we don't use mode on Windows
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' file.set_mode /etc/passwd 0644
```

```
salt.modules.win_file.stats(path, hash_type='md5', follow_symlinks=False)
    Return a dict containing the stats for a given file
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' file.stats /etc/passwd
salt.modules.win_file.uid_to_user(uid)
    Convert a uid to a user name
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' file.uid_to_user S-1-5-21-626487655-2533044672-482107328-1010
salt.modules.win_file.user_to_uid(user)
    Convert user name to a uid
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' file.user_to_uid myusername
20.16.189 salt.modules.win firewall
Module for configuring Windows Firewall
salt.modules.win_firewall.disable()
    Disable all the firewall profiles
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' firewall.disable
salt.modules.win_firewall.get_config()
    Get the status of all the firewall profiles
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' firewall.get_config
20.16.190 salt.modules.win_groupadd
Manage groups on Windows
salt.modules.win_groupadd.add(name, gid=None, system=False)
    Add the specified group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.add foo
salt.modules.win_groupadd.delete(name)
    Remove the named group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.delete foo
salt.modules.win_groupadd.getent(refresh=False)
```

Return info on all groups

```
salt '*' group.getent
salt.modules.win_groupadd.info(name)
    Return information about a group
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' group.info foo
20.16.191 salt.modules.win_ip
The networking module for Windows based systems
salt.modules.win_ip.disable(iface)
    Disable an interface
    CLI Example:
    salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.disable 'Local Area Connection #2'
salt.modules.win_ip.enable(iface)
    Enable an interface
    CLI Example:
    salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.enable 'Local Area Connection #2'
salt.modules.win_ip.get_all_interfaces()
    Return configs for all interfaces
    CLI Example:
    salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.get_all_interfaces
salt.modules.win_ip.get_default_gateway()
    Set DNS source to DHCP on Windows
    CLI Example:
    salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.get_default_gateway
salt.modules.win_ip.get_interface(iface)
    Return the configuration of a network interface
    CLI Example:
    salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.get_interface 'Local Area Connection'
salt.modules.win_ip.get_subnet_length(mask)
    Convenience function to convert the netmask to the CIDR subnet length
    CLI Example:
    salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.get_subnet_length 255.255.255.0
salt.modules.win_ip.is_disabled(iface)
    Returns True if interface is disabled, otherwise False
```

```
salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.is_disabled 'Local Area Connection #2'
salt.modules.win_ip.is_enabled(iface)
     Returns True if interface is enabled, otherwise False
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.is_enabled 'Local Area Connection #2'
salt.modules.win_ip.raw_interface_configs()
     Return raw configs for all interfaces
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.raw_interface_configs
salt.modules.win_ip.set_dhcp_all(iface)
     Set both IP Address and DNS to DHCP
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_dhcp_all 'Local Area Connection'
salt.modules.win_ip.set_dhcp_dns(iface)
     Set DNS source to DHCP on Windows
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_dhcp_dns 'Local Area Connection'
salt.modules.win_ip.set_dhcp_ip(iface)
     Set Windows NIC to get IP from DHCP
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_dhcp_ip 'Local Area Connection'
salt.modules.win_ip.set_static_dns(iface, *addrs)
     Set static DNS configuration on a Windows NIC
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_static_dns 'Local Area Connection' '192.168.1.1'
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_static_dns 'Local Area Connection' '192.168.1.252' '192.168.1
salt.modules.win_ip.set_static_ip(iface, addr, gateway=None, append=False)
     Set static IP configuration on a Windows NIC
     iface The name of the interface to manage
     addr IP address with subnet length (ex. 10.1.2.3/24). The ip.get_subnet_length function can be
         used to calculate the subnet length from a netmask.
     gateway [None] If specified, the default gateway will be set to this value.
     append [False] If True, this IP address will be added to the interface. Default is False, which overrides any
         existing configuration for the interface and sets addr as the only address on the interface.
     CLI Example:
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_static_ip 'Local Area Connection' 10.1.2.3/24 gateway=10.1.2.
     salt -G 'os_family:Windows' ip.set_static_ip 'Local Area Connection' 10.1.2.4/24 append=True
```

20.16.192 salt.modules.win_network

```
Module for gathering and managing network information
salt.modules.win_network.dig(host)
     Performs a DNS lookup with dig
     Note: dig must be installed on the Windows minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.dig archlinux.org
salt.modules.win_network.hw_addr(iface)
     Return the hardware address (a.k.a. MAC address) for a given interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.hw_addr 'Wireless Connection #1'
salt.modules.win_network.hwaddr(iface)
     Return the hardware address (a.k.a. MAC address) for a given interface
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.hw_addr 'Wireless Connection #1'
salt.modules.win network.in subnet(cidr)
     Returns True if host is within specified subnet, otherwise False
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.in_subnet 10.0.0.0/16
salt.modules.win_network.interfaces()
     Return a dictionary of information about all the interfaces on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.interfaces
salt.modules.win_network.ip_addrs (interface=None, include_loopback=False)
     Returns a list of IPv4 addresses assigned to the host. 127.0.0.1 is ignored, unless 'include_loopback=True' is
     indicated. If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs
\verb|salt.modules.win_network.ip_addrs6| (interface=None, include\_loopback=False)|
     Returns a list of IPv6 addresses assigned to the host. ::1 is ignored, unless 'include_loopback=True' is indicated.
     If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs6
salt.modules.win_network.ipaddrs(interface=None, include_loopback=False)
     Returns a list of IPv4 addresses assigned to the host. 127.0.0.1 is ignored, unless 'include loopback=True' is
     indicated. If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' network.ip_addrs
salt.modules.win_network.ipaddrs6 (interface=None, include_loopback=False)
     Returns a list of IPv6 addresses assigned to the host. ::1 is ignored, unless 'include_loopback=True' is indicated.
     If 'interface' is provided, then only IP addresses from that interface will be returned.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ip_addrs6
salt.modules.win_network.netstat()
     Return information on open ports and states
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.netstat
salt.modules.win_network.nslookup(host)
     Query DNS for information about a domain or ip address
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.nslookup archlinux.org
salt.modules.win_network.ping(host)
     Performs a ping to a host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.ping archlinux.org
salt.modules.win_network.subnets()
     Returns a list of subnets to which the host belongs
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.subnets
salt.modules.win_network.traceroute(host)
     Performs a traceroute to a 3rd party host
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' network.traceroute archlinux.org
20.16.193 salt.modules.win ntp
Management of NTP servers on Windows
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
salt.modules.win ntp.qet servers()
     Get list of configured NTP servers
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' ntp.get_servers
```

salt.modules.win_ntp.set_servers (*servers)
Set Windows to use a list of NTP servers

```
salt '*' ntp.set_servers 'pool.ntp.org' 'us.pool.ntp.org'
```

20.16.194 salt.modules.win_path

Manage the Windows System PATH

Note that not all Windows applications will rehash the PATH environment variable, Only the ones that listen to the WM_SETTINGCHANGE message http://support.microsoft.com/kb/104011

```
salt.modules.win_path.add(path, index=0)
```

Add the directory to the SYSTEM path in the index location

CLI Example:

```
# Will add to the beginning of the path
salt '*' win_path.add 'c:\python27' 0

# Will add to the end of the path
salt '*' win_path.add 'c:\python27' index='-1'
salt.modules.win_path.exists(path)
```

Check if the directory is configured in the SYSTEM path Case-insensitive and ignores trailing backslash

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' win_path.exists 'c:\python27'
salt '*' win_path.exists 'c:\python27\'
salt '*' win_path.exists 'C:\pyThon27'

salt.modules.win_path.get_path()
    Returns the system path

salt.modules.win_path.rehash()
    Send a WM_SETTINGCHANGE Broadcast to Windows to rehash the Environment variables

salt.modules.win_path.remove(path)
    Remove the directory from the SYSTEM path
```

20.16.195 salt.modules.win_pkg

A module to manage software on Windows

depends

- win32com
- win32con
- win32api
- pywintypes

```
salt.modules.win_pkg.get_repo_data(saltenv='base')
```

Returns the cached winrepo data

```
salt '*' pkg.get_repo_data
```

Install the passed package

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.win pkg.latest version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

salt.modules.win_pkg.list_available(*names)

Return a list of available versions of the specified package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_available <package name>
salt '*' pkg.list_available <package name01> <package name02>
```

salt.modules.win_pkg.list_pkgs (versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)

List the packages currently installed in a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
salt '*' pkg.list pkgs versions as list=True
```

salt.modules.win_pkg.list_upgrades(refresh=True)

List all available package upgrades on this system

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
```

salt.modules.win_pkg.purge (name=None, pkgs=None, version=None, **kwargs)

Package purges are not supported, this function is identical to remove ().

name The name of the package to be deleted.

version The version of the package to be deleted. If this option is used in combination with the pkgs option below, then this version will be applied to all targeted packages.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'

salt.modules.win_pkg.refresh_db(saltenv='base')
    Just recheck the repository and return a dict:
    {'<database name>': Bool}

CLI Example:
    salt '*' pkg.refresh_db

salt.modules.win pkg.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, version=None, ex-
```

Remove packages.

name The name of the package to be deleted.

version The version of the package to be deleted. If this option is used in combination with the pkgs option below, then this version will be applied to all targeted packages.

tra uninstall flags=None, **kwargs)

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>,<package2>,<package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

salt.modules.win_pkg.upgrade(refresh=True)

Run a full system upgrade

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade
```

```
salt.modules.win_pkg.upgrade_available(name)
```

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.win_pkg.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a version if the package is installed, else returns an empty string

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
```

20.16.196 salt.modules.win_repo

Module to manage Windows software repo on a Standalone Minion

The following options must be set in the Minion config: file_client: local win_repo_cachefile: c:saltfile rootswinrepo.p win repo: c:saltfile rootswinrepo

Place all Windows package files in the 'win_repo' directory.

```
salt.modules.win_repo.genrepo()
```

Generate win_repo_cachefile based on sls files in the win_repo

CLI Example:

```
salt-call winrepo.genrepo -c c:\salt\conf
salt.modules.win_repo.update_git_repos()
    Checkout git repos containing Windows Software Package Definitions
```

Note: This function will not work unless git is installed and the git module is further updated to work on Windows. In the meantime just place all Windows package files in the win_repo directory.

20.16.197 salt.modules.win_servermanager

Manage Windows features via the ServerManager powershell module

```
salt.modules.win_servermanager.install (feature, recurse=False)
Install a feature
```

Note: Some features requires reboot after un/installation, if so until the server is restarted Other features can not be installed!

Note: Some features takes a long time to complete un/installation, set -t with a long timeout

```
salt '*' win_servermanager.install Telnet-Client
salt '*' win_servermanager.install SNMP-Services True

salt.modules.win_servermanager.list_available()
    List available features to install

    CLI Example:
    salt '*' win_servermanager.list_available

salt.modules.win_servermanager.list_installed()
    List installed features

CLI Example:
    salt '*' win_servermanager.list_installed
```

```
salt.modules.win_servermanager.remove (feature)
```

salt -t 600 '*' win_servermanager.remove Telnet-Client

Remove an installed feature

CLI Example:

Note: Some features require a reboot after installation/uninstallation. If one of these features are modified, then other features cannot be installed until the server is restarted. Additionally, some features take a while to complete installation/uninstallation, so it is a good idea to use the -t option to set a longer timeout.

```
20.16.198 salt.modules.win service
Windows Service module.
salt.modules.win service.available(name)
     Returns True if the specified service is available, otherwise returns False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.available <service name>
salt.modules.win service.disable(name, **kwargs)
     Disable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disable <service name>
salt.modules.win_service.disabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is disabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.disabled <service name>
salt.modules.win_service.enable(name, **kwargs)
     Enable the named service to start at boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enable <service name>
salt.modules.win service.enabled(name)
     Check to see if the named service is enabled to start on boot
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.enabled <service name>
salt.modules.win_service.get_all()
     Return all installed services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_all
salt.modules.win_service.get_disabled()
     Return the disabled services
```

```
salt '*' service.get_disabled
salt.modules.win_service.get_enabled()
     Return the enabled services
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_enabled
salt.modules.win_service.get_service_name(*args)
     The Display Name is what is displayed in Windows when services.msc is executed. Each Display Name has
     an associated Service Name which is the actual name of the service. This function allows you to discover the
     Service Name by returning a dictionary of Display Names and Service Names, or filter by adding arguments of
     Display Names.
     If no args are passed, return a dict of all services where the keys are the service Display Names and the values
     are the Service Names.
     If arguments are passed, create a dict of Display Names and Service Names
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.get_service_name
     salt '*' service.get_service_name 'Google Update Service (gupdate)' 'DHCP Client'
salt.modules.win_service.getsid(name)
     Return the sid for this windows service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.getsid <service name>
salt.modules.win_service.has_powershell()
     Confirm if Powershell is available
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.has_powershell
salt.modules.win_service.missing(name)
     The inverse of service available. Returns True if the specified service is not available, otherwise returns
     False.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.missing <service name>
salt.modules.win service.restart(name)
     Restart the named service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.restart <service name>
salt.modules.win_service.start(name)
     Start the specified service
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' service.start <service name>
```

```
salt.modules.win_service.status (name, sig=None)
   Return the status for a service, returns the PID or an empty string if the service is running or not, pass a signature to use to find the service via ps

CLI Example:
   salt '*' service.status <service name> [service signature]

salt.modules.win_service.stop (name)
   Stop the specified service

CLI Example:
   salt '*' service.stop <service name>
```

20.16.199 salt.modules.win_shadow

```
Manage the shadow file
```

```
salt.modules.win_shadow.info(name)
Return information for the specified user This is just returns dummy data so that salt states can work.
```

```
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' shadow.info root

salt.modules.win_shadow.set_password(name, password)
Set the password for a named user.

CLI Example:
salt '*' shadow.set_password root mysecretpassword
```

20.16.200 salt.modules.win status

Module for returning various status data about a minion. These data can be useful for compiling into stats later.

depends

- · pythoncom
- wmi

```
salt.modules.win_status.procs()
   Return the process data
   CLI Example:
   salt '*' status.procs
```

20.16.201 salt.modules.win_system

```
Support for reboot, shutdown, etc
salt.modules.win_system.get_computer_desc()
Get the Windows computer description
CLI Example:
```

```
salt 'minion-id' system.get_computer_desc
salt.modules.win_system.get_computer_name()
     Get the Windows computer name
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion-id' system.get_computer_name
salt.modules.win_system.get_pending_computer_name()
     Get a pending computer name. If the computer name has been changed, and the change is pending a system
     reboot, this function will return the pending computer name. Otherwise, None will be returned. If there was an
     error retrieving the pending computer name, False will be returned, and an error message will be logged to
     the minion log.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion-id' system.get_pending_computer_name
salt.modules.win system.get system date()
     Get the Windows system date
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.get_system_date
salt.modules.win_system.get_system_time()
     Get the Windows system time
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.get_system_time
salt.modules.win_system.halt(timeout=5)
     Halt a running system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.halt
salt.modules.win_system.init(runlevel)
     Change the system runlevel on sysV compatible systems
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.init 3
salt.modules.win system.join domain (domain,
                                                        username,
                                                                      passwd,
                                                                                  ou=None,
                                            acct_exists=False)
     Join a computer the an Active Directory domain
     CLI Example:
     salt 'minion-id' system.join_domain 'mydomain.local' 'myusername'
                                                                                            'mysecretpasswd'
salt.modules.win_system.poweroff(timeout=5)
     Poweroff a running system
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' system.poweroff
```

```
salt.modules.win_system.reboot (timeout=5)
    Reboot the system
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.reboot
salt.modules.win_system.set_computer_desc(desc)
    Set the Windows computer description
    CLI Example:
    salt 'minion-id' system.set_computer_desc 'This computer belongs to Dave!'
salt.modules.win_system.set_computer_name (name)
    Set the Windows computer name
    CLI Example:
    salt 'minion-id' system.set_computer_name 'DavesComputer'
salt.modules.win_system.set_system_date(newdate)
    Set the Windows system date. Use <mm-dd-yy> format for the date.
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.set_system_date '03-28-13'
salt.modules.win_system.set_system_time (newtime)
    Set the Windows system time
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.set_system_time '11:31:15 AM'
salt.modules.win_system.shutdown(timeout=5)
    Shutdown a running system
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.shutdown
salt.modules.win_system.shutdown_hard()
    Shutdown a running system with no timeout or warning
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.shutdown_hard
salt.modules.win_system.start_time_service()
    Start the Windows time service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.start_time_service
salt.modules.win_system.stop_time_service()
    Stop the Windows time service
    CLI Example:
    salt '*' system.stop_time_service
```

20.16.202 salt.modules.win timezone

```
Module for managing timezone on Windows systems.
salt.modules.win_timezone.get_hwclock()
     Get current hardware clock setting (UTC or localtime)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_hwclock
salt.modules.win_timezone.get_offset()
     Get current numeric timezone offset from UCT (i.e. -0700)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_offset
salt.modules.win_timezone.get_zone()
     Get current timezone (i.e. America/Denver)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_zone
salt.modules.win_timezone.get_zonecode()
     Get current timezone (i.e. PST, MDT, etc)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.get_zonecode
salt.modules.win_timezone.set_hwclock(clock)
     Sets the hardware clock to be either UTC or localtime
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.set_hwclock UTC
salt.modules.win_timezone.set_zone(timezone)
     Unlinks, then symlinks /etc/localtime to the set timezone.
     The timezone is crucial to several system processes, each of which SHOULD be restarted (for instance, whatever
     you system uses as its cron and syslog daemons). This will not be magically done for you!
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' timezone.set_zone 'America/Denver'
salt.modules.win_timezone.zone_compare(timezone)
     Checks the md5sum between the given timezone, and the one set in /etc/localtime. Returns True if they match,
     and False if not. Mostly useful for running state checks.
```

20.16.203 salt.modules.win_useradd

Example:

Manage Windows users with the net user command

NOTE: This currently only works with local user accounts, not domain accounts

salt '*' timezone.zone_compare 'America/Denver'

```
salt.modules.win_useradd.add(name, uid=None, gid=None, groups=None, home=False,
                                   shell=None, unique=False, system=False, fullname=False,
                                   roomnumber=False, workphone=False, homephone=False, create-
                                   home=False)
     Add a user to the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.add name password
salt.modules.win_useradd.addgroup(name, group)
     Add user to a group
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.addgroup username groupname
salt.modules.win_useradd.chfullname(name, fullname)
     Change the full name of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chfullname user 'First Last'
salt.modules.win_useradd.chgroups (name, groups, append=False)
     Change the groups this user belongs to, add append to append the specified groups
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chgroups foo wheel, root True
salt.modules.win useradd.chhome(name, home)
     Change the home directory of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chhome foo \\fileserver\home\foo
salt.modules.win_useradd.chprofile(name, profile)
     Change the profile directory of the user
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.chprofile foo \\fileserver\profiles\foo
salt.modules.win_useradd.delete(name, purge=False, force=False)
     Remove a user from the minion NOTE: purge and force have not been implemented on Windows yet
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.delete name
salt.modules.win_useradd.getent(refresh=False)
     Return the list of all info for all users
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' user.getent
salt.modules.win_useradd.info(name)
     Return user information
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' user.info root

salt .modules.win_useradd.list_groups (name)
   Return a list of groups the named user belongs to

CLI Example:
   salt '*' user.list_groups foo

salt .modules.win_useradd.list_users()
   Return a list of users on Windows

salt .modules.win_useradd.removegroup (name, group)
   Remove user from a group

CLI Example:
   salt '*' user.removegroup username groupname

salt .modules.win_useradd.setpassword(name, password)
   Set a user's password

CLI Example:
   salt '*' user.setpassword name password
```

20.16.204 salt.modules.xapi

This module (mostly) uses the XenAPI to manage Xen virtual machines.

Big fat warning: the XenAPI used in this file is the one bundled with Xen Source, NOT XenServer nor Xen Cloud Platform. As a matter of fact it *will* fail under those platforms. From what I've read, little work is needed to adapt this code to XS/XCP, mostly playing with XenAPI version, but as XCP is not taking precedence on Xen Source on many platforms, please keep compatibility in mind.

. http://downloads.xen.org/Wiki/XenAPI/xenapi-1.0.6.pdf . http://docs.vmd.citrix.com/XenServer/6.0.0/1.0/en_gb/api/

Useful documentation:

```
https://github.com/xapi-project/xen-api/tree/master/scripts/examples/python
http://xenbits.xen.org/gitweb/?p=xen.git;a=tree;f=tools/python/xen/xm;hb=HEAD

salt.modules.xapi.create(config_)
Start a defined domain
CLI Example:
salt '*' virt.create <path to Xen cfg file>

salt.modules.xapi.destroy(vm_)
Hard power down the virtual machine, this is equivalent to pulling the power
CLI Example:
salt '*' virt.destroy <vm name>

salt.modules.xapi.freecpu()
Return an int representing the number of unallocated cpus on this hypervisor
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' virt.freecpu
salt.modules.xapi.freemem()
     Return an int representing the amount of memory that has not been given to virtual machines on this node
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.freemem
salt.modules.xapi.full_info()
     Return the node_info, vm_info and freemem
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.full_info
salt.modules.xapi.get_disks(vm_)
     Return the disks of a named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_disks <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.get_macs(vm_)
     Return a list off MAC addresses from the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_macs <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.get_nics(vm_)
     Return info about the network interfaces of a named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.get_nics <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.is_hyper()
     Returns a bool whether or not this node is a hypervisor of any kind
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.is_hyper
salt.modules.xapi.list_vms()
     Return a list of virtual machine names on the minion
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.list_vms
salt.modules.xapi.migrate(vm_,
                                                                       node=-1,
                                                                                    ssl=None,
                                        target,
                                                  live=1,
                                                             port=0,
                                change home server=0)
     Migrates the virtual machine to another hypervisor
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.migrate <vm name> <target hypervisor> [live] [port] [node] [ssl] [change_home_serv
     Optional values:
     live Use live migration
     port Use a specified port
```

```
node Use specified NUMA node on target
     ssl use ssl connection for migration
     change_home_server change home server for managed domains
salt.modules.xapi.node_info()
     Return a dict with information about this node
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.node_info
salt.modules.xapi.pause(vm_)
     Pause the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.pause <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.reboot(vm_)
     Reboot a domain via ACPI request
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.reboot <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.reset(vm )
     Reset a VM by emulating the reset button on a physical machine
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.reset <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.resume(vm_)
     Resume the named vm
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.resume <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.setmem(vm_, memory)
     Changes the amount of memory allocated to VM.
     Memory is to be specified in MB
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.setmem myvm 768
salt.modules.xapi.setvcpus(vm_, vcpus)
     Changes the amount of vcpus allocated to VM.
     vcpus is an int representing the number to be assigned
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.setvcpus myvm 2
salt.modules.xapi.shutdown(vm_)
     Send a soft shutdown signal to the named vm
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' virt.shutdown <vm name>
salt.modules.xapi.start(config_)
     Alias for the obscurely named 'create' function
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.start <path to Xen cfg file>
salt.modules.xapi.vcpu_pin(vm_, vcpu, cpus)
     Set which CPUs a VCPU can use.
     CLI Example:
     salt 'foo' virt.vcpu_pin domU-id 2 1
     salt 'foo' virt.vcpu_pin domU-id 2 2-6
salt.modules.xapi.vm cputime(vm =None)
     Return cputime used by the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:
          'your-vm': {
              'cputime' <int>
              'cputime_percent' <int>
              },
          ]
     If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return
     all VMs.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.vm_cputime
salt.modules.xapi.vm_diskstats(vm_=None)
     Return disk usage counters used by the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:
          'vour-vm': {
              'io_read_kbs' : 0,
              'io_write_kbs' : 0
              },
         ]
     If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return
     all VMs.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' virt.vm_diskstats
salt.modules.xapi.vm_info(vm_=None)
     Return detailed information about the vms.
```

If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return all VMs.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' virt.vm_info
```

salt.modules.xapi.vm_netstats(vm_=None)

Return combined network counters used by the vms on this hyper in a list of dicts:

```
[
    'your-vm': {
        'io_read_kbs' : 0,
        'io_total_read_kbs' : 0,
        'io_total_write_kbs' : 0,
        'io_write_kbs' : 0
        },
    ...
]
```

If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return all VMs.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' virt.vm_netstats
salt.modules.xapi.vm_state(vm_=None)
```

Return list of all the vms and their state.

If you pass a VM name in as an argument then it will return info for just the named VM, otherwise it will return all VMs.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' virt.vm_state <vm name>
```

20.16.205 salt.modules.xmpp

Module for Sending Messages via XMPP (a.k.a. Jabber)

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

depends

sleekxmpp python module

configuration This module can be used by either passing a jid and password directly to send_message, or by specifying the name of a configuration profile in the minion config, minion pillar, or master config.

For example:

```
my-xmpp-login:
    xmpp.jid: myuser@jabber.example.org/resourcename
    xmpp.password: verybadpass
```

The resourcename refers to the resource that is using this account. It is user-definable, and optional. The following configurations are both valid:

```
my-xmpp-login:
    xmpp.jid: myuser@jabber.example.org/salt
    xmpp.password: verybadpass
my-xmpp-login:
```

```
xmpp.jid: myuser@jabber.example.org
xmpp.password: verybadpass

class salt.modules.xmpp.SendMsgBot (jid, password, recipient, msg)

start (event)

salt.modules.xmpp.send_msg (recipient, message, jid=None, password=None, profile=None)
Send a message to an XMPP recipient. Designed for use in states.

CLI Examples:

xmpp.send_msg 'admins@xmpp.example.com' 'This is a salt module test' profile='my-xmp xmpp.send_msg 'admins@xmpp.example.com' 'This is a salt module test' jid='myuser@xmp
```

20.16.206 salt.modules.yumpkg

Support for YUM

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.check_db(*names, **kwargs)
New in version 0.17.0.
```

Returns a dict containing the following information for each specified package:

- 1.A key found, which will be a boolean value denoting if a match was found in the package database.
- 2.If found is False, then a second key called suggestions will be present, which will contain a list of possible matches.

The fromrepo, enablerepo and disablerepo arguments are supported, as used in pkg states, and the disableexcludes option is also supported.

New in version Helium: Support for the disableexcludes option

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.check_db <package1> <package2> <package3>
salt '*' pkg.check_db <package1> <package2> <package3> fromrepo=epel-testing
salt '*' pkg.check_db <package1> <package2> <package3> disableexcludes=main

salt.modules.yumpkg.clean_metadata()
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Cleans local yum metadata. Functionally identical to refresh_db().

CLI Example:
salt '*' pkg.clean_metadata

salt.modules.yumpkg.del_repo (repo, basedir='/etc/yum.repos.d', **kwargs)
Delete a repo from <br/>basedir> (default basedir: /etc/yum.repos.d).
```

If the .repo file that the repo exists in does not contain any other repo configuration, the file itself will be deleted.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.del_repo myrepo
salt '*' pkg.del_repo myrepo basedir=/path/to/dir
```

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.expand repo def(repokwargs)
```

Take a repository definition and expand it to the full pkg repository dict that can be used for comparison. This is a helper function to make certain repo managers sane for comparison in the pkgrepo states.

There is no use to calling this function via the CLI.

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.file_dict(*packages)
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

List the files that belong to a package, grouped by package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of *every* file on the system's rpm database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list
salt.modules.yumpkg.file_list(*packages)
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

List the files that belong to a package. Not specifying any packages will return a list of *every* file on the system's rpm database (not generally recommended).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd
salt '*' pkg.file_list httpd postfix
salt '*' pkg.file_list
```

salt.modules.yumpkg.get_repo (repo, basedir='/etc/yum.repos.d', **kwargs)

Display a repo from <basedir> (default basedir: /etc/yum.repos.d).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.get_repo myrepo
salt '*' pkg.get_repo myrepo basedir=/path/to/dir
salt.modules.yumpkg.group_diff(name)
```

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Lists packages belonging to a certain group, and which are installed

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.group_diff 'Perl Support'
salt.modules.yumpkg.group_info(name)
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Lists packages belonging to a certain group

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.group_info 'Perl Support'
salt.modules.yumpkg.group_install(name, skip=(), include=(), **kwargs)
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Install the passed package group(s). This is basically a wrapper around pkg.install, which performs package group resolution for the user. This function is currently considered experimental, and should be expected to undergo changes.

name Package group to install. To install more than one group, either use a comma-separated list or pass the value as a python list.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.group_install 'Group 1'
salt '*' pkg.group_install 'Group 1,Group 2'
salt '*' pkg.group_install '["Group 1", "Group 2"]'
```

skip The name(s), in a list, of any packages that would normally be installed by the package group ("default" packages), which should not be installed. Can be passed either as a comma-separated list or a python list.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.group_install 'My Group' skip='foo,bar'
salt '*' pkg.group_install 'My Group' skip='["foo", "bar"]'
```

include The name(s), in a list, of any packages which are included in a group, which would not normally be installed ("optional" packages). Note that this will not enforce group membership; if you include packages which are not members of the specified groups, they will still be installed. Can be passed either as a comma-separated list or a python list.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.group_install 'My Group' include='foo,bar'
salt '*' pkg.group_install 'My Group' include='["foo", "bar"]'
```

Note: Because this is essentially a wrapper around pkg.install, any argument which can be passed to pkg.install may also be included here, and it will be passed along wholesale.

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.group_list()
```

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Lists all groups known by yum on this system

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.group_list
```

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.install (name=None, refresh=False, from repo=None, skip\_verify=False, pkgs=None, sources=None, **kwargs)
```

Install the passed package(s), add refresh=True to clean the yum database before package is installed.

name The name of the package to be installed. Note that this parameter is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources" is passed. Additionally, please note that this option can only be used to install packages from a software repository. To install a package file manually, use the "sources" option.

32-bit packages can be installed on 64-bit systems by appending the architecture designation (.i686, .i586, etc.) to the end of the package name.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install <package name>
```

refresh Whether or not to update the yum database before executing.

```
skip_verify Skip the GPG verification check (e.g., --nogpgcheck)
```

version Install a specific version of the package, e.g. 1.2.3-4.el5. Ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" is passed.

Repository Options:

```
fromrepo Specify a package repository (or repositories) from which to install. (e.g., yum --disablerepo='*' --enablerepo='somerepo')
```

enablerepo (ignored if fromrepo is specified) Specify a disabled package repository (or repositories) to enable. (e.g., yum --enablerepo='somerepo')

disablerepo (**ignored if fromrepo is specified**) Specify an enabled package repository (or repositories) to disable. (e.g., yum --disablerepo='somerepo')

```
disableexcludes Disable exclude from main, for a repo or for everything. (e.g., yum --disableexcludes='main')
```

New in version Helium.

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. Must be passed as a python list. A specific version number can be specified by using a single-element dict representing the package and its version.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "1.2.3-4.el5"}]'
```

sources A list of RPM packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"foo": "salt://foo.rpm"}, {"bar": "salt://bar.rpm"}]'
```

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

A specific repo can be requested using the from repo keyword argument, and the disableexcludes option is also supported.

New in version Helium: Support for the disableexcludes option

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name> fromrepo=epel-testing
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name> disableexcludes=main
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.yumpkg.list_pkgs| (\textit{versions}_\textit{as}_\textit{list=False}, **kwargs)|$

List the packages currently installed in a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
```

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.list_repo_pkgs(*args, **kwargs)
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Returns all available packages. Optionally, package names can be passed and the results will be filtered to packages matching those names. This can be helpful in discovering the version or repo to specify in a pkg.installed state. The return data is a dictionary of repo names, with each repo having a list of dictionaries denoting the package name and version. An example of the return data would look like this:

fromrepo [None] Only include results from the specified repo(s). Multiple repos can be specified, commaseparated.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_repo_pkgs
salt '*' pkg.list_repo_pkgs foo bar baz
salt '*' pkg.list_repo_pkgs 'samba4*' fromrepo=base,updates
```

salt.modules.yumpkg.list_repos(basedir='/etc/yum.repos.d')

Lists all repos in

basedir> (default: /etc/yum.repos.d/).

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_repos
```

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.list_upgrades(refresh=True, **kwargs)
```

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for all packages

The fromrepo, enablerepo, and disablerepo arguments are supported, as used in pkg states, and the disableexcludes option is also supported.

New in version Helium: Support for the disable excludes option

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
```

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.mod_repo(repo, basedir=None, **kwargs)
```

Modify one or more values for a repo. If the repo does not exist, it will be created, so long as the following values are specified:

repo name by which the yum refers to the repo

name a human-readable name for the repo

baseurl the URL for yum to reference

mirrorlist the URL for yum to reference

Key/Value pairs may also be removed from a repo's configuration by setting a key to a blank value. Bear in mind that a name cannot be deleted, and a baseurl can only be deleted if a mirrorlist is specified (or vice versa).

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.mod_repo reponame enabled=1 gpgcheck=1
salt '*' pkg.mod_repo reponame basedir=/path/to/dir enabled=1
salt '*' pkg.mod_repo reponame baseurl= mirrorlist=http://host.com/
```

salt.modules.yumpkg.normalize_name(name)

Strips the architecture from the specified package name, if necessary (in other words, if the arch matches the OS arch, or is noarch.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.normalize_name zsh.x86_64
```

salt.modules.yumpkg.purge(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)

Package purges are not supported by yum, this function is identical to pkg.remove.

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.yumpkg.refresh_db|()|$

Check the yum repos for updated packages

Returns:

•True: Updates are available

•False: An error occurred

•None: No updates are available

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

```
salt.modules.yumpkg.remove(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Remove packages with yum -q -y remove.

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
     salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
     salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.yumpkg.upgrade(refresh=True)
     Run a full system upgrade, a yum upgrade
     Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:
     {'<package>': {'old': '<old-version>',
                      'new': '<new-version>'}}
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.upgrade
salt.modules.yumpkq.upgrade_available (name)
     Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
salt.modules.yumpkg.verify(*names)
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Runs an rpm -Va on a system, and returns the results in a dict
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' pkg.verify
salt.modules.yumpkg.version(*names, **kwargs)
     Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package
     name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.16.207 salt.modules.zcbuildout

Management of zc.buildout

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

This module is inspired by minitage's buildout maker

Note: The zc.buildout integration is still in beta; the API is subject to change

General notes

You have those following methods:

- upgrade_bootstrap
- bootstrap

```
· run buildout
   · buildout
salt.modules.zcbuildout.bootstrap(*a, **kw)
     Run the buildout bootstrap dance (python bootstrap.py).
     directory directory to execute in
     config alternative buildout configuration file to use
     runas User used to run buildout as
     env environment variables to set when running
     buildout_ver force a specific buildout version (1 | 2)
     test_release buildout accept test release
     offline are we executing buildout in offline mode
     distribute Forcing use of distribute
     new set Forcing use of setuptools >= 0.7
     python path to a python executable to use in place of default (salt one)
     onlyif Only execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     unless Do not execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' buildout.bootstrap /srv/mybuildout
salt.modules.zcbuildout.buildout(*a, **kw)
     Run buildout in a directory.
     directory directory to execute in
     config buildout config to use
     parts specific buildout parts to run
     runas user used to run buildout as
     env environment variables to set when running
     buildout_ver force a specific buildout version (1 | 2)
     test_release buildout accept test release
     new_set Forcing use of setuptools >= 0.7
     distribute use distribute over setuptools if possible
     offline does buildout run offline
     python python to use
     debug run buildout with -D debug flag
     onlyif Only execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     unless Do not execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
```

newest run buildout in newest mode

verbose run buildout in verbose mode (-vvvvv)

```
CLI Example:
     salt '*' buildout.buildout /srv/mybuildout
salt.modules.zcbuildout.run_buildout(*a, **kw)
     Run a buildout in a directory.
     directory directory to execute in
     config alternative buildout configuration file to use
     offline are we executing buildout in offline mode
     runas user used to run buildout as
     env environment variables to set when running
     onlyif Only execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     unless Do not execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     newest run buildout in newest mode
     force run buildout unconditionally
     verbose run buildout in verbose mode (-vvvvv)
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' buildout.run_buildout /srv/mybuildout
salt.modules.zcbuildout.upgrade bootstrap(*a, **kw)
     Upgrade current bootstrap.py with the last released one.
     Indeed, when we first run a buildout, a common source of problem is to have a locally stale bootstrap, we just
     try to grab a new copy
     directory directory to execute in
     offline are we executing buildout in offline mode
     buildout_ver forcing to use a specific buildout version (1 | 2)
     onlyif Only execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     unless Do not execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' buildout.upgrade_bootstrap /srv/mybuildout
```

20.16.208 salt.modules.zfs

Module for running ZFS command

20.16.209 salt.modules.zpool

```
Module for running ZFS zpool command
salt.modules.zpool.add(pool_name, vdev)
Add the specified vdev to the given pool
CLI Example:
```

```
salt '*' zpool.add myzpool /path/to/vdev
salt.modules.zpool.create(pool_name, *vdevs)
     Create a new storage pool
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.create myzpool /path/to/vdev1 [/path/to/vdev2] [...]
salt.modules.zpool.create_file_vdev(size, *vdevs)
     Creates file based virtual devices for a zpool
     *vdevs is a list of full paths for mkfile to create
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.create_file_vdev 7g /path/to/vdev1 [/path/to/vdev2] [...]
     Depending on file size this may take a while to return
salt.modules.zpool.destroy(pool_name)
     Destroys a storage pool
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.destroy myzpool
salt.modules.zpool.exists(pool_name)
     Check if a ZFS storage pool is active
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.exists myzpool
salt.modules.zpool.iostat(name='')
     Display I/O statistics for the given pools
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.iostat
salt.modules.zpool.replace(pool_name, old, new)
     Replaces old device with new device.
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.replace myzpool /path/to/vdev1 /path/to/vdev2
salt.modules.zpool.scrub(pool_name=None)
     Begin a scrub
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.scrub myzpool
salt.modules.zpool.status(name='')
     Return the status of the named zpool
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.status
```

salt.modules.zpool.zpool_list()

```
Return a list of all pools in the system with health status and space usage
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' zpool.zpool_list
20.16.210 salt.modules.znc
znc - An advanced IRC bouncer
New in version Helium.
Provides an interface to basic ZNC functionality
salt.modules.znc.buildmod(*modules)
     Build module using znc-buildmod
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' znc.buildmod module.cpp [...]
salt.modules.znc.dumpconf()
     Write the active configuration state to config file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' znc.dumpconf
salt.modules.znc.rehashconf()
     Rehash the active configuration state from config file
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' znc.rehashconf
salt.modules.znc.version()
     Return server version from znc -version
     CLI Example:
     salt '*' znc.version
20.16.211 salt.modules.zypper
Package support for openSUSE via the zypper package manager
salt.modules.zypper.install(name=None,
                                                    refresh=False,
                                                                     fromrepo=None,
                                                                                       pkgs=None,
                                     sources=None, **kwargs)
     Install the passed package(s), add refresh=True to run 'zypper refresh' before package is installed.
     name The name of the package to be installed. Note that this parameter is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources"
          is passed. Additionally, please note that this option can only be used to install packages from a software
          repository. To install a package file manually, use the "sources" option.
          CLI Example:
```

refresh Whether or not to refresh the package database before installing.

salt '*' pkg.install <package name>

fromrepo Specify a package repository to install from.

version Can be either a version number, or the combination of a comparison operator (<, >, <=, >=, =) and a version number (ex. '>1.2.3-4'). This parameter is ignored if "pkgs" or "sources" is passed.

Multiple Package Installation Options:

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. Must be passed as a python list. A specific version number can be specified by using a single-element dict representing the package and its version. As with the version parameter above, comparison operators can be used to target a specific version of a package.

CLI Examples:

```
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "1.2.3-4"}]'
salt '*' pkg.install pkgs='["foo", {"bar": "<1.2.3-4"}]'</pre>
```

sources A list of RPM packages to install. Must be passed as a list of dicts, with the keys being package names, and the values being the source URI or local path to the package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.install sources='[{"foo": "salt://foo.rpm"}, {"bar": "salt://bar.rpm"}]'
```

Returns a dict containing the new package names and versions:

```
salt.modules.zypper.latest_version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Return the latest version of the named package available for upgrade or installation. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

If the latest version of a given package is already installed, an empty string will be returned for that package.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.latest_version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

salt.modules.zypper.list_pkgs(versions_as_list=False, **kwargs)

List the packages currently installed as a dict:

```
{'<package_name>': '<version>'}
```

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_pkgs
```

 $\verb|salt.modules.zypper.list_upgrades| (\textit{refresh=True})$

List all available package upgrades on this system

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.list_upgrades
```

```
salt.modules.zypper.purge(name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Recursively remove a package and all dependencies which were installed with it, this will call a <code>zypper -n</code> remove <code>-u</code>

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.purge <package name>
salt '*' pkg.purge <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.purge pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'

salt.modules.zypper.refresh_db()
   Just run a zypper refresh, return a dict:
   {'<database name>': Bool}

CLI Example:
salt '*' pkg.refresh_db
```

salt.modules.zypper.remove (name=None, pkgs=None, **kwargs)

Remove packages with zypper -n remove

name The name of the package to be deleted.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to delete. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

Returns a dict containing the changes.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.remove <package name>
salt '*' pkg.remove <package1>, <package2>, <package3>
salt '*' pkg.remove pkgs='["foo", "bar"]'
salt.modules.zypper.upgrade(refresh=True)
```

Run a full system upgrade, a zypper upgrade

Return a dict containing the new package names and versions:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade
```

```
\verb|salt.modules.zypper.upgrade_available| (|name|)
```

Check whether or not an upgrade is available for a given package

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.upgrade_available <package name>
```

```
salt.modules.zypper.version(*names, **kwargs)
```

Returns a string representing the package version or an empty string if not installed. If more than one package name is specified, a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' pkg.version <package name>
salt '*' pkg.version <package1> <package2> <package3> ...
```

20.17 Full list of builtin output modules

grains	Special outputter for grains
highstate	The return data from the Highstate command is a standard data structure
json_out	The JSON output module converts the return data into JSON.
key	Salt Key makes use of the outputter system to format information sent to the
nested	Recursively display nested data, this is the default outputter.
no_out	Display no output.
no_return	Display output for minions that did not return
overstatestage	Display clean output of an overstate stage
pprint_out	The python pretty print system was the default outputter.
raw	The raw outputter outputs the data via the python print function and is shown in a raw state.
txt	The txt outputter has been developed to make the output from shell
virt_query	virt.query outputter
_yaml_out	Output data in YAML, this outputter defaults to printing in YAML block mode

20.17.1 salt.output.grains

Special outputter for grains

```
salt.output.grains.output (grains)
Output the grains in a clean way
```

20.17.2 salt.output.highstate

The return data from the Highstate command is a standard data structure which is parsed by the highstate outputter to deliver a clean and readable set of information about the HighState run on minions.

Two configurations can be set to modify the highstate outputter. These values can be set in the master config to change the output of the salt-call command.

state_verbose: By default *state_verbose* is set to *True*, setting this to *False* will instruct the highstate outputter to omit displaying anything in green, this means that nothing with a result of True and no changes will not be printed

state_output: The highstate outputter has three output modes, full, terse, mixed, and changes. The default is set to full, which will display many lines of detailed information for each executed chunk. If the state_output option is set to terse then the output is greatly simplified and shown in only one line. If mixed is used, then terse output will be used unless a state failed, in which case full output will be used. If changes is used, then terse output will be used if there was no error and no changes, otherwise full output will be used.

state_tabular: If *state_output* uses the terse output, set this to *True* for an aligned output format. If you wish to use a custom format, this can be set to a string.

```
salt.output.highstate.output(data)
```

The HighState Outputter is only meant to be used with the state.highstate function, or a function that returns highstate return data.

20.17.3 salt.output.json out

The JSON output module converts the return data into JSON.

```
salt.output.json_out.output (data)

Print the output data in JSON
```

20.17.4 salt.output.key

Salt Key makes use of the outputter system to format information sent to the salt-key command. This outputter is geared towards ingesting very specific data and should only be used with the salt-key command.

```
salt.output.key.output (data)
```

Read in the dict structure generated by the salt key API methods and print the structure.

20.17.5 salt.output.nested

Recursively display nested data, this is the default outputter.

```
class salt.output.nested.NestDisplay
    Manage the nested display contents

display (ret, indent, prefix, out)
    Recursively iterate down through data structures to determine output
salt.output.nested.output (ret)
    Display ret data
```

20.17.6 salt.output.no_out

```
Display no output.
```

```
salt.output.no_out.output (ret)
    Don't display data. Used when you only are interested in the return.
```

20.17.7 salt.output.no_return

Display output for minions that did not return

20.17.8 salt.output.overstatestage

```
Display clean output of an overstate stage
```

```
salt.output.overstatestage.output (data)
Format the data for printing stage information from the overstate system
```

20.17.9 salt.output.pprint out

The python pretty print system was the default outputter. This outputter simply passed the data passed into it through the pprint module.

```
salt.output.pprint_out.output (data)
    Print out via pretty print
```

20.17.10 salt.output.raw

The raw outputter outputs the data via the python print function and is shown in a raw state. This was the original outputter used by Salt before the outputter system was developed.

```
salt.output.raw.output (data)
Rather basic....
```

20.17.11 salt.output.txt

The txt outputter has been developed to make the output from shell commands on minions appear as they do when the command is executed on the minion.

```
salt.output.txt.output (data)

Output the data in lines, very nice for running commands
```

20.17.12 salt.output.virt_query

20.17.13 salt.output.yaml_out

Output data in YAML, this outputter defaults to printing in YAML block mode for better readability.

```
salt.output.yaml_out.output (data)

Print out YAML using the block mode
```

20.18 Peer Communication

Salt 0.9.0 introduced the capability for Salt minions to publish commands. The intent of this feature is not for Salt minions to act as independent brokers one with another, but to allow Salt minions to pass commands to each other.

In Salt 0.10.0 the ability to execute runners from the master was added. This allows for the master to return collective data from runners back to the minions via the peer interface.

The peer interface is configured through two options in the master configuration file. For minions to send commands from the master the peer configuration is used. To allow for minions to execute runners from the master the peer_run configuration is used.

Since this presents a viable security risk by allowing minions access to the master publisher the capability is turned off by default. The minions can be allowed access to the master publisher on a per minion basis based on regular expressions. Minions with specific ids can be allowed access to certain Salt modules and functions.

20.18.1 Peer Configuration

The configuration is done under the peer setting in the Salt master configuration file, here are a number of configuration possibilities.

The simplest approach is to enable all communication for all minions, this is only recommended for very secure environments.

This configuration will allow minions with IDs ending in example.com access to the test, ps, and pkg module functions.

```
ceer:
    .*example.com:
    - test.*
    - ps.*
    - pkg.*
```

The configuration logic is simple, a regular expression is passed for matching minion ids, and then a list of expressions matching minion functions is associated with the named minion. For instance, this configuration will also allow minions ending with foo.org access to the publisher.

```
peer:
    .*example.com:
    - test.*
    - ps.*
    - pkg.*
    .*foo.org:
    - test.*
    - ps.*
    - pps.*
```

20.18.2 Peer Runner Communication

Configuration to allow minions to execute runners from the master is done via the peer_run option on the master. The peer_run configuration follows the same logic as the peer option. The only difference is that access is granted to runner modules.

To open up access to all minions to all runners:

This configuration will allow minions with IDs ending in example.com access to the manage and jobs runner functions.

```
peer_run:
    .*example.com:
    - manage.*
    - jobs.*
```

20.18.3 Using Peer Communication

The publish module was created to manage peer communication. The publish module comes with a number of functions to execute peer communication in different ways. Currently there are three functions in the publish module. These examples will show how to test the peer system via the salt-call command.

To execute test.ping on all minions:

```
# salt-call publish.publish \* test.ping
```

To execute the manage.up runner:

```
# salt-call publish.runner manage.up
```

To match minions using other matchers, use expr_form:

```
# salt-call publish.publish 'webserv* and not G@os:Ubuntu' test.ping expr_form='compound'
```

20.19 Pillars

Salt includes a number of built-in external pillars, listed at Full list of builtin pillar modules.

You may also wish to look at the standard pillar documentation, at Pillar Configuration

The source for the built-in Salt pillars can be found here: https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/pillar

20.20 Full list of builtin pillar modules

cmd_json	Execute a command and read the output as JSON. The JSON data is then directly overlaid onto the minion's
cmd_yaml	Execute a command and read the output as YAML. The YAML data is then directly overlaid onto the minion
cobbler	A module to pull data from Cobbler via its API into the Pillar dictionary
django_orm	Generate Pillar data from Django models through the Django ORM
etcd_pillar	Use etcd data as a Pillar source
git_pillar	Clone a remote git repository and use the filesystem as a Pillar source
hiera	Use hiera data as a Pillar source
libvirt	Load up the libvirt keys into Pillar for a given minion if said keys have been generated using the libvirt key r
mongo	Read Pillar data from a mongodb collection
pillar_ldap	Use LDAP data as a Pillar source
puppet	Execute an unmodified puppet_node_classifier and read the output as YAML. The YAML data is then direct
reclass_adapter	Use the "reclass" database as a Pillar source
virtkev	Accept a key from a hypervisor if the virt runner has already submitted an authorization request

20.20.1 salt.pillar.cmd_json

Execute a command and read the output as JSON. The JSON data is then directly overlaid onto the minion's Pillar data.

20.20.2 salt.pillar.cmd_yaml

Execute a command and read the output as YAML. The YAML data is then directly overlaid onto the minion's Pillar data

20.20.3 salt.pillar.cobbler

A module to pull data from Cobbler via its API into the Pillar dictionary

Configuring the Cobbler ext_pillar

The same cobbler.* parameters are used for both the Cobbler tops and Cobbler pillar modules.

```
ext_pillar:
    cobbler:
        key: cobbler # Nest results within this key. By default, values are not nested.
        only: [parameters] # Add only these keys to pillar.

cobbler.url: https://example.com/cobbler_api #default is http://localhost/cobbler_api cobbler.user: username # default is no username cobbler.password: password # default is no password
```

Module Documentation

```
salt.pillar.cobbler.ext_pillar (minion_id, pillar, key=None, only=())
Read pillar data from Cobbler via its API.
```

20.20.4 salt.pillar.django_orm

Generate Pillar data from Django models through the Django ORM

```
maintainer Micah Hausler < micah.hausler@gmail.com>
maturity new
```

Configuring the django orm ext pillar

To use this module, your Django project must be on the salt master server with database access. This assumes you are using virtualenv with all the project's requirements installed.

```
ext_pillar:
    django_orm:
    pillar_name: my_application
    project_path: /path/to/project/
    settings_module: my_application.settings
    env_file: /path/to/env/file.sh
    # Optional: If your project is not using the system python,
    # add your virtualenv path below.
    env: /path/to/virtualenv/

    django_app:

    # Required: the app that is included in INSTALLED_APPS
    my_application.clients:

    # Required: the model name
    Client:

# Required: model field to use as the key in the rendered
```

This would return pillar data that would look like

```
my_application:
    my_application.clients:
    Client:
    client_1:
        field_1: data_from_field_1
        field_2: data_from_field_2
    client_2:
        field_1: data_from_field_1
        field_1: data_from_field_1
        field_2: data_from_field_2
```

As another example, data from multiple database tables can be fetched using Django's regular lookup syntax. Note, using ManyToManyFields will not currently work since the return from values() changes if a ManyToMany is present.

Module Documentation

```
salt.pillar.django_orm.ext_pillar(minion_id, pillar, pillar_name, project_path, set-
tings_module, django_app, env=None, env_file=None,
*args, **kwargs)
```

Connect to a Django database through the ORM and retrieve model fields

Parameters

- pillar_name (str) The name of the pillar to be returned
- project_path (str) The full path to your Django project (the directory manage.py is in)

- **settings_module** (*str*) The settings module for your project. This can be found in your manage.py file
- **django_app** (*str*) A dictionary containing your apps, models, and fields
- env (str) The full path to the virtualenv for your Django project
- **env_file** (*str*) An optional bash file that sets up your environment. The file is run in a subprocess and the changed variables are then added

20.20.5 salt.pillar.etcd_pillar

Use etcd data as a Pillar source

New in version Helium.

depends

· python-etcd

In order to use an etcd server, a profile must be created in the master configuration file:

```
my_etd_config:
  etcd.host: 127.0.0.1
  etcd.port: 4001
```

After the profile is created, configure the external pillar system to use it. Optionally, a root may be specified.

```
ext_pillar:
  - etcd: my_etcd_config

ext_pillar:
  - etcd: my_etcd_config root=/salt
```

Using these configuration profiles, multiple etcd sources may also be used:

20.20.6 salt.pillar.git pillar

Clone a remote git repository and use the filesystem as a Pillar source

This external Pillar source can be configured in the master config file like so:

```
ext_pillar:
    - git: master git://gitserver/git-pillar.git root=subdirectory
```

The *root*= parameter is optional and used to set the subdirectory from where to look for Pillar files (such as top.sls).

Changed in version Helium: The optional root parameter will be added.

Note that this is not the same thing as configuring pillar data using the pillar_roots parameter. The branch referenced in the ext_pillar entry above (master), would evaluate to the base environment, so this branch needs to contain a top.sls with a base section in it, like this:

```
base:
  / */ ·
    - foo
To use other environments from the same git repo as git_pillar sources, just add additional lines, like so:
ext_pillar:
  - git: master git://gitserver/git-pillar.git
  - git: dev git://gitserver/git-pillar.git
In this case, the dev branch would need its own top. sls with a dev section in it, like this:
dev:
  ' *' :
    - bar
class salt.pillar.git_pillar.GitPillar(branch, repo_location, opts)
     Deal with the remote git repository for Pillar
     envs()
          Return a list of refs that can be used as environments
          Ensure you are following the latest changes on the remote
          Return boolean wether it worked
salt.pillar.git_pillar.envs (branch, repo_location)
     Return a list of refs that can be used as environments
salt.pillar.git_pillar.ext_pillar(minion_id, pillar, repo_string)
     Execute a command and read the output as YAML
salt.pillar.git_pillar.update(branch, repo_location)
     Ensure you are following the latest changes on the remote
     return boolean whether it worked
```

20.20.7 salt.pillar.hiera

Use hiera data as a Pillar source

```
salt.pillar.hiera.ext_pillar (minion_id, pillar, conf)
Execute hiera and return the data
```

20.20.8 salt.pillar.libvirt

Load up the libvirt keys into Pillar for a given minion if said keys have been generated using the libvirt key runner

Generate the keys to be used by libvirt hypervisors, this routine gens the keys and applies them to the pillar for the hypervisor minions

20.20.9 salt.pillar.mongo

Read Pillar data from a mongodb collection

```
depends pymongo (for salt-master)
```

This module will load a node-specific pillar dictionary from a mongo collection. It uses the node's id for lookups and can load either the whole document, or just a specific field from that document as the pillar dictionary.

Salt Master Mongo Configuration

The module shares the same base mongo connection variables as salt.returners.mongo_return. These variables go in your master config file.

- mongo.db The mongo database to connect to. Defaults to 'salt'.
- mongo.host The mongo host to connect to. Supports replica sets by specifying all hosts in the set, commadelimited. Defaults to 'salt'.
- mongo.port The port that the mongo database is running on. Defaults to 27017.
- mongo.user The username for connecting to mongo. Only required if you are using mongo authentication.
 Defaults to ''.
- mongo.password The password for connecting to mongo. Only required if you are using mongo authentication. Defaults to ''.

Configuring the Mongo ext_pillar

The Mongo ext_pillar takes advantage of the fact that the Salt Master configuration file is yaml. It uses a sub-dictionary of values to adjust specific features of the pillar. This is the explicit single-line dictionary notation for yaml. One may be able to get the easier-to-read multine dict to work correctly with some experimentation.

```
ext_pillar:
   - mongo: {collection: vm, id_field: name, re_pattern: \.example\.com, fields: [customer_id, software]
```

In the example above, we've decided to use the vm collection in the database to store the data. Minion ids are stored in the name field on documents in that collection. And, since minion ids are FQDNs in most cases, we'll need to trim the domain name in order to find the minion by hostname in the collection. When we find a minion, return only the customer_id, software, and apache_vhosts fields, as that will contain the data we want for a given node. They will be available directly inside the pillar dict in your SLS templates.

Module Documentation

```
salt.pillar.mongo.ext_pillar(minion_id, pillar, collection='pillar', id_field='_id', re_pattern=None, re_replace='', fields=None)

Connect to a mongo database and read per-node pillar information.
```

Parameters:

- *collection*: The mongodb collection to read data from. Defaults to 'pillar'.
- id field: The field in the collection that represents an individual minion id. Defaults to 'id'.
- re_pattern: If your naming convention in the collection is shorter than the minion id, you can use this to trim the name. re_pattern will be used to match the name, and re_replace will be used to replace it. Backrefs are supported as they are in the Python standard library. If None, no mangling of the name will be performed the collection will be searched with the entire minion id. Defaults to None.

- re_replace: Use as the replacement value in node ids matched with re_pattern. Defaults to ''. Feel free to use backreferences here.
- fields: The specific fields in the document to use for the pillar data. If None, will use the entire document. If using the entire document, the <u>_id</u> field will be converted to string. Be careful with other fields in the document as they must be string serializable. Defaults to None.

20.20.10 salt.pillar.pillar_ldap

Use LDAP data as a Pillar source

This pillar module parses a config file (specified in the salt master config), and executes a series of LDAP searches based on that config. Data returned by these searches is aggregated, with data items found later in the LDAP search order overriding data found earlier on.

The final result set is merged with the pillar data.

```
salt.pillar.pillar_ldap.ext_pillar(minion_id, pillar, config_file)
Execute LDAP searches and return the aggregated data
```

20.20.11 salt.pillar.puppet

Execute an unmodified puppet_node_classifier and read the output as YAML. The YAML data is then directly overlaid onto the minion's Pillar data.

```
salt.pillar.puppet.ext_pillar (minion_id, pillar, command)
Execute an unmodified puppet_node_classifier and read the output as YAML
```

20.20.12 salt.pillar.reclass_adapter

Use the "reclass" database as a Pillar source

This ext_pillar plugin provides access to the **reclass** database, such that Pillar data for a specific minion are fetched using **reclass**.

You can find more information about **reclass** at http://reclass.pantsfullofunix.net.

To use the plugin, add it to the ext_pillar list in the Salt master config and tell **reclass** by way of a few options how and where to find the inventory:

This would cause reclass to read the inventory from YAML files in /srv/salt/nodes and /srv/salt/classes.

If you are also using **reclass** as master_tops plugin, and you want to avoid having to specify the same information for both, use YAML anchors (take note of the differing data types for ext_pillar and master_tops):

```
reclass: &reclass
    storage_type: yaml_fs
    inventory_base_uri: /srv/salt
    reclass_source_path: ~/code/reclass
ext_pillar:
```

```
- reclass: *reclass
master_tops:
    reclass: *reclass
```

If you want to run reclass from source, rather than installing it, you can either let the master know via the PYTHONPATH environment variable, or by setting the configuration option, like in the example above.

```
salt.pillar.reclass_adapter.ext_pillar (minion_id, pillar, **kwargs)

Obtain the Pillar data from reclass for the given minion_id.
```

20.20.13 salt.pillar.virtkey

Accept a key from a hypervisor if the virt runner has already submitted an authorization request

```
salt.pillar.virtkey.ext_pillar(hyper_id, pillar, name, key)
Accept the key for the VM on the hyper, if authorized.
```

20.21 Renderers

The Salt state system operates by gathering information from common data types such as lists, dictionaries and strings that would be familiar to any developer.

SLS files are translated from whatever data templating format they are written in back into Python data types to be consumed by Salt.

By default SLS files are rendered as Jinja templates and then parsed as YAML documents. But since the only thing the state system cares about is raw data, the SLS files can be any structured format that can be dreamed up.

```
Currently there is support for Jinja + YAML, Mako + YAML, Wempy + YAML, Jinja + json, Mako + json and Wempy + json.
```

Renderers can be written to support any template type. This means that the Salt states could be managed by XML files, HTML files, Puppet files, or any format that can be translated into the Pythonic data structure used by the state system.

20.21.1 Multiple Renderers

A default renderer is selected in the master configuration file by providing a value to the renderer key.

When evaluating an SLS, more than one renderer can be used.

When rendering SLS files, Salt checks for the presence of a Salt-specific shebang line.

The shebang line directly calls the name of the renderer as it is specified within Salt. One of the most common reasons to use multiple renderers is to use the Python or py renderer.

Below, the first line is a shebang that references the py renderer.

20.21.2 Composing Renderers

A renderer can be composed from other renderers by connecting them in a series of pipes(|).

In fact, the default Jinja + YAML renderer is implemented by connecting a YAML renderer to a Jinja renderer. Such renderer configuration is specified as: jinja | yaml.

Other renderer combinations are possible:

```
yaml i.e, just YAML, no templating.
```

mako | yaml pass the input to the mako renderer, whose output is then fed into the yaml renderer.

jinja | mako | yaml This one allows you to use both jinja and make templating syntax in the input and then parse the final rendered output as YAML.

The following is a contrived example SLS file using the jinja | mako | yaml renderer:

For backward compatibility, jinja | yaml can also be written as yaml_jinja, and similarly, the yaml_mako, yaml_wempy, json_jinja, json_mako, and json_wempy renderers are all supported.

Keep in mind that not all renderers can be used alone or with any other renderers. For example, the template renderers shouldn't be used alone as their outputs are just strings, which still need to be parsed by another renderer to turn them into highstate data structures.

For example, it doesn't make sense to specify yaml | jinja because the output of the YAML renderer is a highstate data structure (a dict in Python), which cannot be used as the input to a template renderer. Therefore, when combining renderers, you should know what each renderer accepts as input and what it returns as output.

20.21.3 Writing Renderers

A custom renderer must be a Python module placed in the rendered directory and the module implement the render function.

The render function will be passed the path of the SLS file as an argument.

The purpose of of render function is to parse the passed file and to return the Python data structure derived from the file.

Custom renderers must be placed in a _renderers directory within the file_roots specified by the master config file.

Custom renderers are distributed when any of the following are run: state.highstate

```
saltutil.sync_renderers
saltutil.sync_all
```

Any custom renderers which have been synced to a minion, that are named the same as one of Salt's default set of renderers, will take the place of the default renderer with the same name.

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20.21.4 Examples

The best place to find examples of renderers is in the Salt source code.

Documentation for renderers included with Salt can be found here:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/renderers

Here is a simple YAML renderer example:

```
import yaml
def render(yaml_data, env='', sls='', **kws):
    if not isinstance(yaml_data, basestring):
        yaml_data = yaml_data.read()
    data = yaml.load(yaml_data)
    return data if data else {}
```

Full List of Renderers

Full list of builtin renderer modules

```
jinja
json
mako
py Pure python state renderer
pydsl A Python-based DSL
pyobjects
stateconf Wempy
yaml
```

salt.renderers.jinja

Jinja in States The most basic usage of Jinja in state files is using control structures to wrap conditional or redundant state elements:

In this example, the first if block will only be evaluated on minions that aren't running FreeBSD, and the second block changes the file name based on the *os* grain.

Writing **if-else** blocks can lead to very redundant state files however. In this case, using *pillars*, or using a previously defined variable might be easier:

```
{% set motd = ['/etc/motd'] %}
{% if grains['os'] == 'Debian' %}
   {% set motd = ['/etc/motd.tail', '/var/run/motd'] %}
{% endif %}

{% for motdfile in motd %}
{{ motdfile }}:
   file.managed:
    - source: salt://motd
{% endfor %}
```

Using a variable set by the template, the for loop will iterate over the list of MOTD files to update, adding a state block for each file.

Passing Variables It is also possible to pass additional variable context directly into a template, using the defaults and context mappings of the *file.managed* state:

The template will receive a variable message, which would be accessed in the template using { message } }. If the operating system is FreeBSD, the value of the variable message would be *Bar*, otherwise it is the default *Foo*

Include and Import Includes and imports can be used to share common, reusable state configuration between state files and between files.

```
{% from 'lib.sls' import test %}
```

This would import the test template variable or macro, not the test state element, from the file lib.sls. In the case that the included file performs checks again grains, or something else that requires context, passing the context into the included file is required:

```
{% from 'lib.sls' import test with context %}
```

Variable and block Serializers Salt allows one to serialize any variable into **json** or **yaml** or **python**. For example this variable:

```
data:
    foo: True
    bar: 42
    baz:
        - 1
        - 2
        - 3
    qux: 2.0
```

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with this template:

```
yaml -> {{ data|yaml }}
json -> {{ data|json }}
python -> {{ data|python }}
will be rendered has:
yaml -> {bar: 42, baz: [1, 2, 3], foo: true, qux: 2.0}
json -> {"baz": [1, 2, 3], "foo": true, "bar": 42, "qux": 2.0}
python -> {u'data': {u'bar': 42, u'baz': [1, 2, 3], u'foo': True, u'qux': 2.0}}
```

Strings and variables can be describlized with **load_yaml** and **load_json** tags and filters. It allows one to manipulate data directly in templates, easily:

```
{%- set json_var = '{"foo": "bar", "baz": "qux"}'|load_json %}
My json_var foo is {{ json_var.foo }}
{%- set yaml_var = "{bar: baz: qux}"|load_yaml %}
My yaml_var bar.baz is {{ yaml_var.bar.baz }}
{%- load_json as json_block %}
    "qux": {{ yaml_var|json }},
  }
{% endload %}
My json_block qux.bar.baz is {{ json_block.qux.bar.baz }}
{%- load_yaml as yaml_block %}
  bar:
    baz:
      qux
{% endload %}
My yaml_block bar.baz is {{ yaml2.bar.baz }}
will be rendered has:
My json_var foo is bar
My yaml_var bar.baz is qux
My json_block foo is quz
My yaml_block bar.baz is qux
```

Template Serializers Salt implements **import_yaml** and **import_json** tags. They work like the import tag, except that the document is also describilized.

Imagine you have a generic state file in which you have the complete data of your infrastucture:

```
- bob
baz:
- smith
```

But you don't want to expose everything to a minion. This state file:

```
# specialized.sls
{% import_yaml "everything.sls" as all %}
my_admins:
   my_foo: {{ all.users.foo|yaml }}
will be rendered has:
my_admins:
   my_foo: [john]
```

Macros Macros are helpful for eliminating redundant code, however stripping whitespace from the template block, as well as contained blocks, may be necessary to emulate a variable return from the macro.

```
# init.sls
{% from 'lib.sls' import pythonpkg with context %}
python-virtualenv:
  pkg.installed:
    - name: {{ pythonpkg('virtualenv') }}
python-fabric:
  pkg.installed:
    - name: {{ pythonpkg('fabric') }}
# lib.sls
{% macro pythonpkg(pkg) -%}
  {%- if grains['os'] == 'FreeBSD' -%}
   py27-{{ pkg }}
  {%- elif grains['os'] == 'Debian' -%}
   python-{{ pkg }}
  {%- endif -%}
{%- endmacro %}
```

This would define a macro that would return a string of the full package name, depending on the packaging system's naming convention. The whitespace of the macro was eliminated, so that the macro would return a string without line breaks, using whitespace control.

Template Inheritance Template inheritance works fine from state files and files. The search path starts at the root of the state tree or pillar.

Filters Saltstack extends builtin filters with his custom filters:

strftime Converts any time related object into a time based string. It requires a valid *strftime directives*. An *exhaustive list* can be found in the official Python documentation. Fuzzy dates are parsed by timelib python module. Some examples are available on this pages.

```
{{ "2002/12/25"|strftime("%y") }}
{{ "1040814000"|strftime("%Y-%m-%d") }}
{{ datetime|strftime("%u") }}
{{ "now"|strftime }}
```

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Jinja in Files Jinja can be used in the same way in managed files:

As an example, configuration was pulled from the file context and from an external template file.

Note: Macros and variables can be shared across templates. They should not be starting with one or more underscores, and should be managed by one of the following tags: $macro, set, load_yaml, load_json, import_yaml$ and $import_json$.

```
salt.renderers.jinja.render(template_file, saltenv='base', sls='', argline='', context=None, tm-
plpath=None, **kws)
```

Render the template_file, passing the functions and grains into the Jinja rendering system.

Return type string

salt.renderers.json

```
salt.renderers.json.render (json_data, saltenv='base', sls='', **kws)

Accepts JSON as a string or as a file object and runs it through the JSON parser.
```

Return type A Python data structure

salt.renderers.mako

Render the template_file, passing the functions and grains into the Mako rendering system.

Return type string

salt.renderers.py Pure python state renderer

The sls file should contain a function called run which returns high state data

In this module, a few objects are defined for you, including the usual (with "_" added) __salt__ dictionary, __grains__, __pillar__, __opts__, __env__, and __sls__.

```
home = '/home/{0}'.format(user)
         else:
10
              user = 'root'
11
              group = 'root'
12
              home = '/root/'
13
14
         config['s3cmd'] = {
15
              'pkg': [
16
                  'installed',
17
                   {'name': 's3cmd'},
18
              ],
         }
20
21
         config[home + '/.s3cfg'] = {
22
              'file.managed': [
23
                   {'source': 'salt://s3cfg/templates/s3cfg'},
24
                   {'template': 'jinja'},
25
                   {'user': user},
26
                   {'group': group},
27
                   {'mode': 600},
28
                   {'context': {
29
                       'aws_key': __pillar__['AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID'],
30
                       'aws_secret_key': __pillar__['AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY'],
31
                       },
                  },
              ],
34
         }
35
36
         return config
37
   salt.renderers.py.render(template, saltenv='base', sls='', tmplpath=None, **kws)
         Render the python module's components
             Return type string
   salt.renderers.pydsl A Python-based DSL
         maintainer Jack Kuan <kikuan@gmail.com>
         maturity new
         platform all
```

The *pydsl* renderer allows one to author salt formulas(.sls files) in pure Python using a DSL that's easy to write and easy to read. Here's an example:

```
#!pyds1
apache = state('apache')
apache.pkg.installed()
apache.service.running()
state('/var/www/index.html') \
file('managed',
source='salt://webserver/index.html') \
require(pkg='apache')
```

Notice that any Python code is allow in the file as it's really a Python module, so you have the full power of Python at your disposal. In this module, a few objects are defined for you, including the usual(with __ added) __salt__ dictionary, __grains__, __pillar__, __opts__, __env__, and __sls__, plus a few more:

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```
___file___
local file system path to the sls module.
__pydsl__
Salt PyDSL object, useful for configuring DSL behavior per sls rendering.
include
Salt PyDSL function for creating Include declaration's.
extend
Salt PyDSL function for creating Extend declaration's.
state
Salt PyDSL function for creating ID declaration's.
```

A state *ID declaration* is created with a state (id) function call. Subsequent state (id) call with the same id returns the same object. This singleton access pattern applies to all declaration objects created with the DSL.

```
state('example')
assert state('example') is state('example')
assert state('example').cmd is state('example').cmd
assert state('example').cmd.running is state('example').cmd.running
```

The id argument is optional. If omitted, an UUID will be generated and used as the id.

state (id) returns an object under which you can create a *State declaration* object by accessing an attribute named after *any* state module available in Salt.

```
state('example').cmd
state('example').file
state('example').pkg
```

Then, a Function declaration object can be created from a State declaration object by one of the following two ways:

1. by directly calling the attribute named for the *State declaration*, and supplying the state function name as the first argument.

```
state('example').file('managed', ...)
```

2. by calling a method named after the state function on the *State declaration* object.

```
state('example').file.managed(...)
```

With either way of creating a *Function declaration* object, any *Function arg declaration*'s can be passed as keyword arguments to the call. Subsequent calls of a *Function declaration* will update the arg declarations.

```
state('example').file('managed', source='salt://webserver/index.html')
state('example').file.managed(source='salt://webserver/index.html')
```

As a shortcut, the special *name* argument can also be passed as the first(second if calling using the first way) positional argument.

```
state('example').cmd('run', 'ls -la', cwd='/')
state('example').cmd.run('ls -la', cwd='/')
```

Finally, a *Requisite declaration* object with its *Requisite reference*'s can be created by invoking one of the requisite methods(require, watch, use, require_in, watch_in, and use_in) on either a *Function declaration* object

or a *State declaration* object. The return value of a requisite call is also a *Function declaration* object, so you can chain several requisite calls together.

Arguments to a requisite call can be a list of *State declaration* objects and/or a set of keyword arguments whose names are state modules and values are IDs of *ID declaration*'s or names of *Name declaration*'s.

```
apache2 = state('apache2')
apache2.pkg.installed()
state('libapache2-mod-wsgi').pkg.installed()
# you can call requisites on function declaration
apache2.service.running() \
               .require(apache2.pkg,
                        pkg='libapache2-mod-wsgi') \
               .watch(file='/etc/apache2/httpd.conf')
# or you can call requisites on state declaration.
# this actually creates an anonymous function declaration object
# to add the requisites.
apache2.service.require(state('libapache2-mod-wsgi').pkg,
                        pkg='apache2') \
               .watch(file='/etc/apache2/httpd.conf')
# we still need to set the name of the function declaration.
apache2.service.running()
```

Include declaration objects can be created with the include function, while *Extend declaration* objects can be created with the extend function, whose arguments are just *Function declaration* objects.

```
include('edit.vim', 'http.server')
extend(state('apache2').service.watch(file='/etc/httpd/httpd.conf')
```

The include function, by default, causes the included sls file to be rendered as soon as the include function is called. It returns a list of rendered module objects; sls files not rendered with the pydsl renderer return None's. This behavior creates no *Include declaration*'s in the resulting high state data structure.

```
import types

# including multiple sls returns a list.
_, mod = include('a-non-pydsl-sls', 'a-pydsl-sls')

assert _ is None
assert isinstance(slsmods[1], types.ModuleType)

# including a single sls returns a single object
mod = include('a-pydsl-sls')

# myfunc is a function that calls state(...) to create more states.
mod.myfunc(1, 2, "three")
```

Notice how you can define a reusable function in your pydsl sls module and then call it via the module returned by include.

It's still possible to do late includes by passing the delayed=True keyword argument to include.

```
include('edit.vim', 'http.server', delayed=True)
```

Above will just create a *Include declaration* in the rendered result, and such call always returns None.

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Special integration with the *cmd* **state** Taking advantage of rendering a Python module, PyDSL allows you to declare a state that calls a pre-defined Python function when the state is executed.

```
greeting = "hello world"
def helper(something, *args, **kws):
    print greeting  # hello world
    print something, args, kws # test123 ['a', 'b', 'c'] {'x': 1, 'y': 2}
state().cmd.call(helper, "test123", 'a', 'b', 'c', x=1, y=2)
```

The *cmd.call* state function takes care of calling our helper function with the arguments we specified in the states, and translates the return value of our function into a structure expected by the state system. See salt.states.cmd.call() for more information.

Implicit ordering of states Salt states are explicitly ordered via *Requisite declaration*'s. However, with *pydsl* it's possible to let the renderer track the order of creation for *Function declaration* objects, and implicitly add require requisites for your states to enforce the ordering. This feature is enabled by setting the ordered option on __pydsl__.

Note: this feature is only available if your minions are using Python ≥ 2.7 .

```
include('some.sls.file')
A = state('A').cmd.run(cwd='/var/tmp')
extend(A)

__pydsl__.set(ordered=True)

for i in range(10):
    i = str(i)
    state(i).cmd.run('echo '+i, cwd='/')
state('1').cmd.run('echo one')
state('2').cmd.run(name='echo two')
```

Notice that the ordered option needs to be set after any extend calls. This is to prevent *pydsl* from tracking the creation of a state function that's passed to an extend call.

Above example should create states from 0 to 9 that will output 0, one, two, 3, ... 9, in that order.

It's important to know that *pydsl* tracks the *creations* of *Function declaration* objects, and automatically adds a require requisite to a *Function declaration* object that requires the last *Function declaration* object created before it in the sls file.

This means later calls(perhaps to update the function's *Function arg declaration*) to a previously created function declaration will not change the order.

Render time state execution When Salt processes a salt formula file(.sls), the file is rendered to salt's high state data representation by a renderer before the states can be executed. In the case of the pydsl renderer, the .sls file is executed as a python module as it is being rendered which makes it easy to execute a state at render time. In pydsl, executing one or more states at render time can be done by calling a configured ID declaration object.

```
#!pyds1
s = state() # save for later invocation
# configure it
s.cmd.run('echo at render time', cwd='/')
```

```
s.file.managed('target.txt', source='salt://source.txt')
s() # execute the two states now
```

Once an ID declaration is called at render time it is detached from the sls module as if it was never defined.

Note: If *implicit ordering* is enabled(ie, via __pydsl___.set (ordered=True)) then the *first* invocation of a *ID* declaration object must be done before a new *Function declaration* is created.

Integration with the stateconf renderer The *salt.renderers.stateconf* renderer offers a few interesting features that can be leveraged by the *pydsl* renderer. In particular, when using with the *pydsl* renderer, we are interested in *stateconf* 's sls namespacing feature(via dot-prefixed id declarations), as well as, the automatic *start* and *goal* states generation.

Now you can use *pydsl* with *stateconf* like this:

```
#!pydsl|stateconf -ps
include('xxx', 'yyy')

# ensure that states in xxx run BEFORE states in this file.
extend(state('.start').stateconf.require(stateconf='xxx::goal'))

# ensure that states in yyy run AFTER states in this file.
extend(state('.goal').stateconf.require_in(stateconf='yyy::start'))
__pydsl__.set(ordered=True)
```

-s enables the generation of a stateconf *start* state, and -p lets us pipe high state data rendered by *pydsl* to *stateconf*. This example shows that by require-ing or require_in-ing the included sls' *start* or *goal* states, it's possible to ensure that the included sls files can be made to execute before or after a state in the including sls file.

Importing custom Python modules To use a custom Python module inside a PyDSL state, place the module somewhere that it can be loaded by the Salt loader, such as *_modules* in the */srv/salt* directory.

Then, copy it to any minions as necessary by using *saltutil.sync_modules*.

To import into a PyDSL SLS, one must bypass the Python importer and insert it manually by getting a reference from Python's *sys.modules* dictionary.

For example:

```
#!pydsl|stateconf -ps

def main():
    my_mod = sys.modules['salt.loaded.ext.module.my_mod']

salt.renderers.pydsl.render(template, saltenv='base', sls='', tmplpath=None, rendered sls=None, **kws)
```

salt.renderers.pyobjects Python renderer that includes a Pythonic Object based interface

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Let's take a look at how you use pyobjects in a state file. Here's a quick example that ensures the /tmp directory is in the correct state.

```
#!pyobjects
File.managed("/tmp", user='root', group='root', mode='1777')
```

Nice and Pythonic!

By using the "shebang" syntax to switch to the pyobjects renderer we can now write our state data using an object based interface that should feel at home to python developers. You can import any module and do anything that you'd like (with caution, importing sqlalchemy, django or other large frameworks has not been tested yet). Using the pyobjects renderer is exactly the same as using the built-in Python renderer with the exception that pyobjects provides you with an object based interface for generating state data.

Creating state data Pyobjects takes care of creating an object for each of the available states on the minion. Each state is represented by an object that is the CamelCase version of it's name (ie. File, Service, User, etc), and these objects expose all of their available state functions (ie. File.managed, Service.running, etc).

The name of the state is split based upon underscores (_), then each part is capitalized and finally the parts are joined back together.

Some examples:

- postgres_user becomes PostgresUser
- ssh_known_hosts becomes SshKnownHosts

Context Managers and requisites How about something a little more complex. Here we're going to get into the core of what makes pyobjects the best way to write states.

The objects that are returned from each of the magic method calls are setup to be used a Python context managers (with) and when you use them as such all declarations made within the scope will **automatically** use the enclosing state as a requisite!

The above could have also been written use direct requisite statements as.

You can use the direct requisite statement for referencing states that are generated outside of the current file.

```
#!pyobjects

# some-other-package is defined in some other state file
Pkg.installed("nginx", require=Pkg("some-other-package"))
```

The last thing that direct requisites provide is the ability to select which of the SaltStack requisites you want to use (require, require_in, watch, watch_in, use & use_in) when using the requisite as a context manager.

```
#!pyobjects
with Service("my-service", "watch_in"):
...
```

The above example would cause all declarations inside the scope of the context manager to automatically have their watch_in set to Service ("my-service").

Including and Extending To include other states use the include () function. It takes one name per state to include.

To extend another state use the extend () function on the name when creating a state.

Salt object In the spirit of the object interface for creating state data pyobjects also provides a simple object interface to the __salt__ object.

A function named salt exists in scope for your sls files and will dispatch its attributes to the __salt__ dictionary.

The following lines are functionally equivalent:

```
#!pyobjects
ret = salt.cmd.run(bar)
ret = __salt__['cmd.run'](bar)
```

Pillar, grain & mine data Pyobjects provides shortcut functions for calling pillar.get, grains.get & mine.get on the __salt__ object. This helps maintain the readability of your state files.

Each type of data can be access by a function of the same name: pillar(), grains() and mine().

The following pairs of lines are functionally equivalent:

```
#!pyobjects

value = pillar('foo:bar:baz', 'qux')

value = __salt__['pillar.get']('foo:bar:baz', 'qux')

value = grains('pkg:apache')

value = __salt__['grains.get']('pkg:apache')

value = __salt__['grains.get']('pkg:apache')

value = __salt__['mine.get']('os:Fedora', 'network.interfaces', 'grain')

value = __salt__['mine.get']('os:Fedora', 'network.interfaces', 'grain')
```

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Map Data When building complex states or formulas you often need a way of building up a map of data based on grain data. The most common use of this is tracking the package and service name differences between distributions.

To build map data using pyobjects we provide a class named Map that you use to build your own classes with inner classes for each set of values for the different grain matches.

To access the data in the map you simply access the attribute name on the base class that is extending Map.

```
#!pyobjects
2
3
    class Samba (Map):
        merge = 'samba:lookup'
5
        class Debian:
6
             server = 'samba'
7
             client = 'samba-client'
             service = 'samba'
        class Ubuntu:
11
             __grain__ = 'os'
12
             service = 'smbd'
13
14
        class RedHat:
15
             server = 'samba'
16
             client = 'samba'
17
             service = 'smb'
18
19
20
    with Pkg.installed("samba", names=[Samba.server, Samba.client]):
21
        Service.running("samba", name=Samba.service)
22
```

TODO

- Interface for working with reactor files
- Allow for imports based on the salt file root

```
salt.renderers.pyobjects.load_states()
    This loads our states into the salt __context__
salt.renderers.pyobjects.render(template, saltenv='base', sls='', **kwargs)
```

salt.renderers.stateconf

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```

This module provides a custom renderer that processes a salt file with a specified templating engine (e.g., Jinja) and a chosen data renderer (e.g., YAML), extracts arguments for any stateconf.set state, and provides the extracted arguments (including Salt-specific args, such as require, etc) as template context. The goal is to make writing reusable/configurable/parameterized salt files easier and cleaner.

To use this renderer, either set it as the default renderer via the renderer option in master/minion's config, or use the shebang line in each individual sls file, like so: #!stateconf. Note, due to the way this renderer works, it must be specified as the first renderer in a render pipeline. That is, you cannot specify #!mako|yaml|stateconf, for example. Instead, you specify them as renderer arguments: #!stateconf mako . yaml.

Here's a list of features enabled by this renderer.

• Prefixes any state id (declaration or reference) that starts with a dot (.) to avoid duplicated state ids when the salt file is included by other salt files.

For example, in the *salt://some/file.sls*, a state id such as .sls_params will be turned into some.file::sls_params. Example:

```
#!stateconf yaml . jinja
.vim:
   pkg.installed
```

Above will be translated into:

Notice how that if a state under a dot-prefixed state id has no name argument then one will be added automatically by using the state id with the leading dot stripped off.

The leading dot trick can be used with extending state ids as well, so you can include relatively and extend relatively. For example, when extending a state in *salt://some/other_file.sls*, e.g.,:

```
#!stateconf yaml . jinja
include:
    - .file

extend:
    .file::sls_params:
    stateconf.set:
     - name1: something
```

Above will be pre-processed into:

```
include:
   - some.file

extend:
   some.file::sls_params:
     stateconf.set:
     - name1: something
```

- Adds a sls_dir context variable that expands to the directory containing the rendering salt file. So, you can write salt://{{sls_dir}}/... to reference templates files used by your salt file.
- Recognizes the special state function, stateconf.set, that configures a default list of named arguments usable within the template context of the salt file. Example:

```
#!stateconf yaml . jinja
.sls_params:
    stateconf.set:
        - name1: value1
        - name2: value2
        - name3:
        - value1
        - value2
        - value2
        - value3
        - require_in:
        - cmd: output
```

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```
# --- end of state config ---
.output:
    cmd.run:
        name: |
            echo 'name1={{sls_params.name1}}
            name2={{sls_params.name2}}
            name3[1]={{sls_params.name3[1]}}
```

This even works with include + extend so that you can override the default configured arguments by including the salt file and then extend the stateconf.set states that come from the included salt file. (IMPORTANT: Both the included and the extending sls files must use the stateconf renderer for this "extend" to work!)

Notice that the end of configuration marker (# --- end of state config --) is needed to separate the use of 'stateconf.set' form the rest of your salt file. The regex that matches such marker can be configured via the stateconf_end_marker option in your master or minion config file.

Sometimes, you'd like to set a default argument value that's based on earlier arguments in the same stateconf.set. For example, you may be tempted to do something like this:

```
#!stateconf yaml . jinja
.apache:
    stateconf.set:
        - host: localhost
        - port: 1234
        - url: 'http://{{host}}:{{port}}/'
# --- end of state config ---
.test:
    cmd.run:
        - name: echo '{{apache.url}}'
        - cwd: /
```

However, this won't work, but can be worked around like so:

```
#!stateconf yaml . jinja
.apache:
    stateconf.set:
        - host: localhost
        - port: 1234
{# - url: 'http://{{host}}:{{port}}/' #}

# --- end of state config ---
# {{ apache.setdefault('url', "http://%(host)s:%(port)s/" % apache) }}
.test:
    cmd.run:
        - name: echo '{{apache.url}}'
        - cwd: /
```

• Adds support for relative include and exclude of .sls files. Example:

```
#!stateconf yaml . jinja
```

```
include:
   - .apache
   - .db.mysql
exclude:
   - sls: .users
```

If the above is written in a salt file at *salt://some/where.sls* then it will include *salt://some/apache.sls* and *salt://some/db/mysql.sls*, and exclude *salt://some/users.ssl*. Actually, it does that by rewriting the above include and exclude into:

```
include:
    - some.apache
    - some.db.mysql
exclude:
    - sls: some.users
```

• Optionally (enabled by default, *disable* via the -G renderer option, e.g., in the shebang line: #!stateconf -G), generates a stateconf.set goal state (state id named as .goal by default, configurable via the master/minion config option, stateconf_goal_state) that requires all other states in the salt file. Note, the .goal state id is subject to dot-prefix rename rule mentioned earlier.

Such goal state is intended to be required by some state in an including salt file. For example, in your webapp salt file, if you include a sls file that is supposed to setup Tomcat, you might want to make sure that all states in the Tomcat sls file will be executed before some state in the webapp sls file.

• Optionally (enable via the -o renderer option, e.g., in the shebang line: #!stateconf -o), orders the states in a sls file by adding a require requisite to each state such that every state requires the state defined just before it. The order of the states here is the order they are defined in the sls file. (Note: this feature is only available if your minions are using Python >= 2.7. For Python2.6, it should also work if you install the *ordereddict* module from PyPI)

By enabling this feature, you are basically agreeing to author your sls files in a way that gives up the explicit (or implicit?) ordering imposed by the use of require, watch, require_in or watch_in requisites, and instead, you rely on the order of states you define in the sls files. This may or may not be a better way for you. However, if there are many states defined in a sls file, then it tends to be easier to see the order they will be executed with this feature.

You are still allowed to use all the requisites, with a few restrictions. You cannot require or watch a state defined *after* the current state. Similarly, in a state, you cannot require_in or watch_in a state defined *before* it. Breaking any of the two restrictions above will result in a state loop. The renderer will check for such incorrect uses if this feature is enabled.

Additionally, names declarations cannot be used with this feature because the way they are compiled into low states make it impossible to guarantee the order in which they will be executed. This is also checked by the renderer. As a workaround for not being able to use names, you can achieve the same effect, by generate your states with the template engine available within your sls file.

Finally, with the use of this feature, it becomes possible to easily make an included sls file execute all its states *after* some state (say, with id X) in the including sls file. All you have to do is to make state, X, require_in the first state defined in the included sls file.

When writing sls files with this renderer, you should avoid using what can be defined in a name argument of a state as the state's id. That is, avoid writing your states like this:

```
/path/to/some/file:
  file.managed:
    - source: salt://some/file
```

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```
cp /path/to/some/file file2:
    cmd.run:
    - cwd: /
    - require:
    - file: /path/to/some/file
```

Instead, you should define the state id and the name argument separately for each state, and the id should be something meaningful and easy to reference within a requisite (which I think is a good habit anyway, and such extra indirection would also makes your sls file easier to modify later). Thus, the above states should be written like this:

```
add-some-file:
    file.managed:
        - name: /path/to/some/file
        - source: salt://some/file

copy-files:
    cmd.run:
        - name: cp /path/to/some/file file2
        - cwd: /
        - require:
        - file: add-some-file
```

Moreover, when referencing a state from a requisite, you should reference the state's id plus the state name rather than the state name plus its name argument. (Yes, in the above example, you can actually require the file: /path/to/some/file, instead of the file: add-some-file). The reason is that this renderer will rewrite or rename state id's and their references for state id's prefixed with .. So, if you reference name then there's no way to reliably rewrite such reference.

salt.renderers.wempy

Render the data passing the functions and grains into the rendering system

Return type string

salt.renderers.yaml

Understanding YAML The default renderer for SLS files is the YAML renderer. YAML is a markup language with many powerful features. However, Salt uses a small subset of YAML that maps over very commonly used data structures, like lists and dictionaries. It is the job of the YAML renderer to take the YAML data structure and compile it into a Python data structure for use by Salt.

Though YAML syntax may seem daunting and terse at first, there are only three very simple rules to remember when writing YAML for SLS files.

Rule One: Indentation YAML uses a fixed indentation scheme to represent relationships between data layers. Salt requires that the indentation for each level consists of exactly two spaces. Do not use tabs.

Rule Two: Colons Python dictionaries are, of course, simply key-value pairs. Users from other languages may recognize this data type as hashes or associative arrays.

Dictionary keys are represented in YAML as strings terminated by a trailing colon. Values are represented by either a string following the colon, separated by a space:

```
my_key: my_value
In Python, the above maps to:
{'my_key': 'my_value'}
In Python, the above maps to:
{'my_key': 'my_value'}
Dictionaries can be nested:
first_level_dict_key:
    second_level_dict_key: value_in_second_level_dict
And in Python:
{'first_level_dict_key': {'second_level_dict_key': 'value_in_second_level_dict' }
```

Rule Three: Dashes To represent lists of items, a single dash followed by a space is used. Multiple items are a part of the same list as a function of their having the same level of indentation.

```
- list_value_one
- list_value_two
- list_value_three
```

Lists can be the value of a key-value pair. This is quite common in Salt:

```
my_dictionary:
    - list_value_one
    - list_value_two
    - list_value_three
```

Reference

```
salt.renderers.yaml.get_yaml_loader (argline)
Return the ordered dict yaml loader
salt.renderers.yaml.render (yaml_data, saltenv='base', sls='', argline='', **kws)
Accepts YAML as a string or as a file object and runs it through the YAML parser.
```

Return type A Python data structure

20.22 Returners

By default the return values of the commands sent to the Salt minions are returned to the Salt master, however anything at all can be done with the results data.

By using a Salt returner, results data can be redirected to external data-stores for analysis and archival.

The returner interface allows the return data to be sent to any system that can receive data. This means that return data can be sent to a Redis server, a MongoDB server, a MySQL server, or any system.

See also:

Full list of builtin returners

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20.22.1 Using Returners

All Salt commands will return the command data back to the master. Specifying returners will ensure that the data is _also_ sent to the specified returner interfaces.

Specifying what returners to use is done when the command is invoked:

```
salt '*' test.ping --return redis_return
```

This command will ensure that the redis return returner is used.

It is also possible to specify multiple returners:

```
salt '*' test.ping --return mongo_return,redis_return,cassandra_return
```

In this scenario all three returners will be called and the data from the test.ping command will be sent out to the three named returners.

20.22.2 Writing a Returner

A returner is a Python module which contains a function called returner.

The returner function must accept a single argument for the return data from the called minion function. So if the minion function test.ping is called the value of the argument will be True.

A simple returner is implemented below:

The above example of a returner set to send the data to a Redis server serializes the data as JSON and sets it in redis.

Place custom returners in a _returners directory within the file_roots specified by the master config file.

Custom returners are distributed when any of the following are called: state.highstate

```
saltutil.sync_returners
saltutil.sync_all
```

Any custom returners which have been synced to a minion that are named the same as one of Salt's default set of returners will take the place of the default returner with the same name.

Note that a returner's default name is its filename (i.e. foo.py becomes returner foo), but that its name can be overridden by using a __virtual__function. A good example of this can be found in the redis returner, which is named redis return.py but is loaded as simply redis:

```
try:
    import redis
    HAS_REDIS = True
except ImportError:
    HAS_REDIS = False

__virtualname__ = 'redis'

def __virtual__():
    if not HAS_REDIS:
        return False
    return __virtualname__
```

20.22.3 Full List of Returners

Full list of builtin returner modules

carbon_return	Take data from salt and "return" it into a carbon receiver
cassandra_return	Return data to a Cassandra ColumnFamily
couchdb_return	Simple returner for CouchDB. Optional configuration
etcd_return	Return data to an etcd server or cluster
local	The local returner is used to test the returner interface, it just prints the
memcache_return	Return data to a memcache server
mongo_future_return	Return data to a mongodb server
mongo_return	Return data to a mongodb server
mysql	Return data to a mysql server
postgres	Return data to a postgresql server
redis_return	Return data to a redis server
sentry_return	Salt returner that report execution results back to sentry.
smtp_return	Return salt data via email
sqlite3_return	Insert minion return data into a sqlite3 database
syslog_return	Return data to the host operating system's syslog facility

salt.returners.carbon_return

Take data from salt and "return" it into a carbon receiver

Add the following configuration to the minion configuration files:

```
carbon.host: <server ip address>
carbon.port: 2003
```

 $Errors \ when \ trying \ to \ convert \ data \ to \ numbers \ may \ be \ ignored \ by \ setting \ \texttt{carbon.skip_on_error} \ to \ \textit{True}:$

```
\verb|carbon.skip_on_error: True|\\
```

By default, data will be sent to carbon using the plaintext protocol. To use the pickle protocol, set carbon.mode to pickle:

```
carbon.mode: pickle
```

Carbon settings may also be configured as:

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```
carbon:
    host: <server IP or hostname>
    port: <carbon port>
    skip_on_error: True
    mode: (pickle|text)

To use the carbon returner, append '--return carbon' to the salt command. ex:
    salt '*' test.ping --return carbon

salt.returners.carbon_return.returner(ret)
    Return data to a remote carbon server using the text metric protocol
    Each metric will look like:
    [module].[function].[minion_id].[metric path [...]].[metric name]
```

salt.returners.cassandra_return

Return data to a Cassandra ColumnFamily

Here's an example Keyspace / ColumnFamily setup that works with this returner:

```
create keyspace salt;
use salt;
create column family returns
  with key_validation_class='UTF8Type'
  and comparator='UTF8Type'
  and default_validation_class='UTF8Type';
```

Required python modules: pycassa

To use the cassandra returner, append '-return cassandra' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return cassandra
salt.returners.cassandra_return.returner(ret)
Return data to a Cassandra ColumnFamily
```

salt.returners.couchdb return

Simple returner for CouchDB. Optional configuration settings are listed below, along with sane defaults.

```
couchdb.db: 'salt' couchdb.url: 'http://salt:5984/'
```

To use the couchdb returner, append '-return couchdb' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return couchdb
```

```
salt.returners.couchdb_return.ensure_views()
```

This function makes sure that all the views that should exist in the design document do exist.

```
salt.returners.couchdb_return.get_fun (fun)
```

Return a dict with key being minion and value being the job details of the last run of function 'fun'.

```
salt.returners.couchdb_return.get_jid(jid)
    Get the document with a given JID.
salt.returners.couchdb_return.get_jids()
```

```
List all the jobs that we have..
```

```
salt.returners.couchdb_return.get_minions()
    Return a list of minion identifiers from a request of the view.

salt.returners.couchdb_return.get_valid_salt_views()
    Returns a dict object of views that should be part of the salt design document.

salt.returners.couchdb_return.returner(ret)
    Take in the return and shove it into the couchdb database.

salt.returners.couchdb_return.set_salt_view()
    Helper function that sets the salt design document. Uses get_valid_salt_views and some hardcoded values.
```

salt.returners.etcd_return

Return data to an etcd server or cluster

depends

· python-etcd

In order to return to an etcd server, a profile should be created in the master configuration file:

```
my_etd_config:
  etcd.host: 127.0.0.1
  etcd.port: 4001
```

It is technically possible to configure etcd without using a profile, but this is not consided to be a best practice, especially when multiple etcd servers or clusters are available.

```
etcd.host: 127.0.0.1 etcd.port: 4001
```

Additionally, two more options must be specified in the top-level configuration in order to use the etcd returner:

```
etcd.returner: my_etcd_config
etcd.returner_root: /salt/return
```

The etcd.returner option specifies which configuration profile to use. The etcd.returner_root option specifies the path inside etcd to use as the root of the returner system.

Once the etcd options are configured, the returner may be used:

CLI Example:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return etcd
salt .returners.etcd_return.get_fun (fun)
    Return a dict of the last function called for all minions
salt .returners.etcd_return.get_jid(jid)
    Return the information returned when the specified job id was executed
salt .returners.etcd_return.get_jids()
    Return a list of all job ids
salt .returners.etcd_return.get_load(jid)
    Return the load data that marks a specified jid
salt .returners.etcd_return.get_minions()
    Return a list of minions
salt .returners.etcd_return.returner(ret)
    Return data to an etcd server or cluster
```

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```
salt.returners.etcd_return.save_load (jid, load)
Save the load to the specified jid
```

salt.returners.local

The local returner is used to test the returner interface, it just prints the return data to the console to verify that it is being passed properly

To use the local returner, append '-return local' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return local
salt.returners.local.returner(ret)
Print the return data to the terminal to verify functionality
```

salt.returners.memcache_return

Return data to a memcache server

To enable this returner the minion will need the python client for memcache installed and the following values configured in the minion or master config, these are the defaults:

```
memcache.host: 'localhost' memcache.port: '11211'
python2-memcache uses 'localhost' and '11211' as syntax on connection.
salt.returners.memcache return.get fun (fun)
     Return a dict of the last function called for all minions
salt.returners.memcache_return.get_jid(jid)
     Return the information returned when the specified job id was executed
salt.returners.memcache_return.get_jids()
     Return a list of all job ids
salt.returners.memcache_return.get_load(jid)
     Return the load data that marks a specified jid
salt.returners.memcache_return.get_minions()
     Return a list of minions
salt.returners.memcache_return.returner(ret)
     Return data to a memcache data store
salt.returners.memcache_return.save_load(jid, load)
     Save the load to the specified jid
```

salt.returners.mongo future return

Return data to a mongodb server

Required python modules: pymongo

This returner will send data from the minions to a MongoDB server. To configure the settings for your MongoDB server, add the following lines to the minion config files:

```
mongo.db: <database name>
mongo.host: <server ip address>
mongo.user: <MongoDB username>
mongo.password: <MongoDB user password>
mongo.port: 27017
```

This mongo returner is being developed to replace the default mongodb returner in the future and should not be considered API stable yet.

To use the mongo returner, append '-return mongo' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return mongo

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .get_fun (fun)
Return the most recent jobs that have executed the named function

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .get_jid (jid)
Return the return information associated with a jid

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .get_jids ()
Return a list of job ids

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .get_load (jid)
Return the load associated with a given job id

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .get_minions ()
Return a list of minions

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .returner (ret)
Return data to a mongodb server

salt .returners .mongo_future_return .save_load (jid, load)
Save the load for a given job id
```

salt.returners.mongo return

Return data to a mongodb server

Required python modules: pymongo

This returner will send data from the minions to a MongoDB server. To configure the settings for your MongoDB server, add the following lines to the minion config files:

```
mongo.db: <database name>
mongo.host: <server ip address>
mongo.user: <MongoDB username>
mongo.password: <MongoDB user password>
mongo.port: 27017

To use the mongo returner, append '--return mongo' to the salt command. ex:
salt '*' test.ping --return mongo

salt.returners.mongo_return.get_fun(fun)
    Return the most recent jobs that have executed the named function

salt.returners.mongo_return.get_jid(jid)
    Return the return information associated with a jid

salt.returners.mongo_return.returner(ret)
    Return data to a mongodb server
```

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salt.returners.mysql

Return data to a mysql server

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platform all
```

To enable this returner the minion will need the python client for mysql installed and the following values configured in the minion or master config, these are the defaults:

```
mysql.host: 'salt'
mysql.user: 'salt'
mysql.pass: 'salt'
mysql.db: 'salt'
mysql.port: 3306
```

Use the following mysql database schema:

```
CREATE DATABASE 'salt'
  DEFAULT CHARACTER SET utf8
  DEFAULT COLLATE utf8_general_ci;
USE 'salt';
-- Table structure for table 'jids'
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS 'jids';
CREATE TABLE 'jids' (
  'jid' varchar(255) NOT NULL,
  'load' mediumtext NOT NULL,
 UNIQUE KEY 'jid' ('jid')
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8;
-- Table structure for table 'salt_returns'
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS 'salt_returns';
CREATE TABLE 'salt_returns' (
  'fun' varchar(50) NOT NULL,
  'jid' varchar(255) NOT NULL,
  'return' mediumtext NOT NULL,
  'id' varchar(255) NOT NULL,
  'success' varchar(10) NOT NULL,
  'full_ret' mediumtext NOT NULL,
  'alter_time' TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
  KEY 'id' ('id'),
  KEY 'jid' ('jid'),
  KEY 'fun' ('fun')
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8;
```

Required python modules: MySQLdb

To use the mysql returner, append '-return mysql' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return mysql
salt .returners.mysql.get_fun (fun)
    Return a dict of the last function called for all minions
salt .returners.mysql.get_jid(jid)
    Return the information returned when the specified job id was executed
salt .returners.mysql.get_jids()
    Return a list of all job ids
salt .returners.mysql.get_load(jid)
    Return the load data that marks a specified jid
salt .returners.mysql.get_minions()
    Return a list of minions
salt .returners.mysql.returner(ret)
    Return data to a mysql server
salt .returners.mysql.save_load(jid, load)
    Save the load to the specified jid id
```

salt.returners.postgres

Return data to a postgresql server

```
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```

To enable this returner the minion will need the psycopg2 installed and the following values configured in the minion or master config:

```
returner.postgres.host: 'salt'
returner.postgres.user: 'salt'
returner.postgres.passwd: 'salt'
returner.postgres.db: 'salt'
returner.postgres.port: 5432
```

Running the following commands as the postgres user should create the database correctly:

```
psql << EOF
CREATE ROLE salt WITH PASSWORD 'salt';
CREATE DATABASE salt WITH OWNER salt;
EOF

psql -h localhost -U salt << EOF
--
-- Table structure for table 'jids'
--

DROP TABLE IF EXISTS jids;
CREATE TABLE jids (
   jid bigint PRIMARY KEY,
   load text NOT NULL
);</pre>
```

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```
-- Table structure for table 'salt_returns'
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS salt_returns;
CREATE TABLE salt_returns (
  added TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE DEFAULT now(),
 fun text NOI NOIL,
jid varchar(20) NOT NULL,
 return text NOT NULL,
 id text NOT NULL,
 success boolean
);
CREATE INDEX ON salt_returns (added);
CREATE INDEX ON salt_returns (id);
CREATE INDEX ON salt_returns (jid);
CREATE INDEX ON salt_returns (fun);
Required python modules: psycopg2
     To use the postgres returner, append '-return postgres' to the salt command. ex:
         salt '*' test.ping -return postgres
salt.returners.postgres.get fun(fun)
     Return a dict of the last function called for all minions
salt.returners.postgres.get_jid(jid)
     Return the information returned when the specified job id was executed
salt.returners.postgres.get_jids()
     Return a list of all job ids
salt.returners.postgres.get_load(jid)
     Return the load data that marks a specified jid
salt.returners.postgres.get_minions()
     Return a list of minions
salt.returners.postgres.returner(ret)
     Return data to a postgres server
salt.returners.postgres.save_load(jid, load)
     Save the load to the specified jid id
```

salt.returners.redis_return

Return data to a redis server

To enable this returner the minion will need the python client for redis installed and the following values configured in the minion or master config, these are the defaults:

```
redis.db: '0' redis.host: 'salt' redis.port: 6379
```

To use the redis returner, append '-return redis' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return redis
salt.returners.redis_return.get_fun (fun)
Return a dict of the last function called for all minions
```

```
salt.returners.redis_return.get_jid(jid)
    Return the information returned when the specified job id was executed
salt.returners.redis_return.get_jids()
    Return a list of all job ids
salt.returners.redis_return.get_load(jid)
    Return the load data that marks a specified jid
salt.returners.redis_return.get_minions()
    Return a list of minions
salt.returners.redis_return.returner(ret)
    Return data to a redis data store
salt.returners.redis_return.save_load(jid, load)
    Save the load to the specified jid
```

salt.returners.sentry_return

Salt returner that report execution results back to sentry. The returner will inspect the payload to identify errors and flag them as such.

Pillar need something like:

```
raven:
    servers:
        - http://192.168.1.1
        - https://sentry.example.com
    public_key: deadbeefdeadbeefdeadbeefdeadbeef
    secret_key: beefdeadbeefdeadbeefdeadbeefdead
    project: 1
    tags:
        - os
        - master
        - saltversion
        - cpuarch
```

and https://pypi.python.org/pypi/raven installed

The tags list (optional) specifies grains items that will be used as sentry tags, allowing tagging of events in the sentry

```
salt.returners.sentry_return.returner(ret)
```

Log outcome to sentry. The returner tries to identify errors and report them as such. All other messages will be reported at info level.

salt.returners.smtp return

Return salt data via email

The following fields can be set in the minion conf file:

smtp.from (required) smtp.to (required) smtp.host (required) smtp.port (optional, defaults to 25) smtp.username (optional) smtp.password (optional) smtp.tls (optional, defaults to False) smtp.subject (optional, but helpful) smtp.gpgowner (optional) smtp.fields (optional)

There are a few things to keep in mind:

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- If a username is used, a password is also required. It is recommended (but not required) to use the TLS setting when authenticating.
- You should at least declare a subject, but you don't have to.
- The use of encryption, i.e. setting gpgowner in your settings, requires python-gnupg to be installed.
- The field gpgowner specifies a user's ~/.gpg directory. This must contain a gpg public key matching the address the mail is sent to. If left unset, no encryption will be used.
- smtp.fields lets you include the value(s) of various fields in the subject line of the email. These are commadelimited. For instance:

```
smtp.fields: id,fun
```

...will display the id of the minion and the name of the function in the subject line. You may also use 'jid' (the job id), but it is generally recommended not to use 'return', which contains the entire return data structure (which can be very large). Also note that the subject is always unencrypted.

To use the SMTP returner, append '-return smtp' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return smtp
salt.returners.smtp_return.returner(ret)
Send an email with the data
```

salt.returners.sqlite3

Insert minion return data into a sqlite3 database

```
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depends None
platform All
```

Sqlite3 is a serverless database that lives in a single file. In order to use this returner the database file must exist, have the appropriate schema defined, and be accessible to the user whom the minion process is running as. This returner requires the following values configured in the master or minion config:

```
returner.sqlite3.database: /usr/lib/salt/salt.db
returner.sqlite3.timeout: 5.0
```

Use the commands to create the sqlite3 database and tables:

```
sqlite3 /usr/lib/salt/salt.db << EOF
--
-- Table structure for table 'jids'
--

CREATE TABLE jids (
   jid TEXT PRIMARY KEY,
   load TEXT NOT NULL
  );
--
-- Table structure for table 'salt_returns'
--</pre>
CREATE TABLE salt_returns (
```

```
fun TEXT KEY,
    jid TEXT KEY,
    id TEXT KEY,
    fun_args TEXT,
    date TEXT NOT NULL,
    full_ret TEXT NOT NULL,
    success TEXT NOT NULL
    );
  EOF
To use the sqlite returner, append '--return sqlite' to the salt command. ex:
  salt '*' test.ping --return sqlite
salt.returners.sqlite3_return.get_fun (fun)
     Return a dict of the last function called for all minions
salt.returners.sqlite3 return.get jid(jid)
     Return the information returned from a specified jid
salt.returners.sqlite3_return.get_jids()
     Return a list of all job ids
salt.returners.sqlite3_return.get_load(jid)
     Return the load from a specified jid
salt.returners.sqlite3_return.get_minions()
     Return a list of minions
salt.returners.sqlite3_return.returner(ret)
     Insert minion return data into the sqlite3 database
salt.returners.sqlite3_return.save_load(jid, load)
     Save the load to the specified jid
```

salt.returners.syslog_return

Return data to the host operating system's syslog facility

Required python modules: syslog, json

The syslog returner simply reuses the operating system's syslog facility to log return data

To use the syslog returner, append '-return syslog' to the salt command. ex:

```
salt '*' test.ping -return syslog
salt.returners.syslog_return.returner(ret)
Return data to the local syslog
```

20.23 Salt Runners

Salt runners are convenience applications executed with the salt-run command.

Salt runners work similarly to Salt execution modules however they execute on the Salt master itself instead of remote Salt minions.

A Salt runner can be a simple client call or a complex application.

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See also:

The full list of runners

20.23.1 Full list of runner modules

cache	Return cached data from minions
doc	A runner module to collect and display the inline documentation from the
fileserver	Directly manage the salt fileserver plugins
jobs	A convenience system to manage jobs, both active and already run
launchd	Manage launchd plist files
lxc	Control Linux Containers via Salt
manage	General management functions for salt, tools like seeing what hosts are up
network	Network tools to run from the Master
search	Runner frontend to search system
state	Execute overstate functions
survey	A general map/reduce style salt runner for aggregating results returned by several different minions.
thin	The thin runner is used to manage the salt thin systems.
virt	Control virtual machines via Salt
winrepo	Runner to manage Windows software repo

salt.runners.cache

```
Return cached data from minions
```

```
salt.runners.cache.clear_all(tgt=None, expr_form='glob')
     Clear the cached pillar, grains, and mine data of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.clear_all
salt.runners.cache.clear_grains(tgt=None, expr_form='glob')
     Clear the cached grains data of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.clear_grains
salt.runners.cache.clear_mine(tgt=None, expr_form='glob')
     Clear the cached mine data of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.clear_mine
salt.runners.cache.clear_mine_func(tgt=None, expr_form='glob', clear_mine_func=None)
     Clear the cached mine function data of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.clear_mine_func tgt='*' clear_mine_func='network.interfaces'
salt.runners.cache.clear_pillar(tgt=None, expr_form='glob')
     Clear the cached pillar data of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
```

```
salt-run cache.clear_pillar
salt.runners.cache.grains(tgt=None, expr_form='glob', **kwargs)
     Return cached grains of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.grains
salt.runners.cache.mine(tgt=None, expr_form='glob', **kwargs)
     Return cached mine data of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.mine
salt.runners.cache.pillar(tgt=None, expr_form='glob', **kwargs)
     Return cached pillars of the targeted minions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run cache.pillar
salt.runners.doc
A runner module to collect and display the inline documentation from the various module types
salt.runners.doc.execution()
     Collect all the sys.doc output from each minion and return the aggregate
     CLI Example:
     salt-run doc.execution
salt.runners.doc.runner()
     Return all inline documetation for runner modules
     CLI Example:
     salt-run doc.runner
salt.runners.doc.wheel()
     Return all inline documentation for wheel modules
     CLI Example:
     salt-run doc.wheel
salt.runners.fileserver
Directly manage the salt fileserver plugins
salt.runners.fileserver.update()
     Execute an update for all of the configured fileserver backends
     CLI Example:
     salt-run fileserver.update
```

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salt.runners.jobs

```
A convenience system to manage jobs, both active and already run
salt.runners.jobs.active()
     Return a report on all actively running jobs from a job id centric perspective
     CLI Example:
     salt-run jobs.active
salt.runners.jobs.list_job(jid)
     List a specific job given by its jid
     CLI Example:
     salt-run jobs.list_job 20130916125524463507
salt.runners.jobs.list_jobs(ext_source=None)
     List all detectable jobs and associated functions
     CLI Example:
     salt-run jobs.list_jobs
salt.runners.jobs.lookup_jid(jid, ext_source=None, output=True)
     Return the printout from a previously executed job
     CLI Example:
     salt-run jobs.lookup_jid 20130916125524463507
salt.runners.jobs.print_job(job_id)
     Print job available details, including return data.
     CLI Example:
     salt-run jobs.print_job
salt.runners.launchd
Manage launchd plist files
salt.runners.launchd.write_launchd_plist(program)
     Write a launchd plist for managing salt-master or salt-minion
     CLI Example:
     salt-run launchd.write_launchd_plist salt-master
salt.runners.lxc
Control Linux Containers via Salt
     depends 1xc execution module
salt.runners.lxc.find_guest(name, quiet=False)
     Returns the host for a container.
```

```
salt-run lxc.find_guest name
salt.runners.lxc.freeze(name, quiet=False)
     Freeze the named container
     salt-run lxc.freeze name
salt.runners.lxc.info(name, quiet=False)
     Returns information about a container.
     salt-run lxc.info name
salt.runners.lxc.init (name, host=None, **kwargs)
     Initialize a new container
     salt-run lxc.init name host=minion_id [cpuset=cgroups_cpuset] \
               [cpushare=cgroups_cpushare] [memory=cgroups_memory] \
               [nic=nic_profile] [profile=lxc_profile] \
               [nic_opts=nic_opts] [start=(true|false)] \
               [seed=(true|false)] [install=(true|false)] \
               [config=minion_config] [clone=original] \
               [snapshot=(true|false)]
     name Name of the container.
     host Minion to start the container on. Required.
     cpuset cgroups cpuset.
     cpushare cgroups cpu shares.
     memory cgroups memory limit, in MB.
     nic Network interfaces profile (defined in config or pillar).
     profile A LXC profile (defined in config or pillar).
     nic_opts Extra options for network interfaces. E.g. {"eth0": {"mac": "aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff", "ipv4": "10.1.1.1",
          "ipv6": "2001:db8::ff00:42:8329"}}
     start Start the newly created container.
     seed Seed the container with the minion config and autosign its key. Default: true
     install If salt-minion is not already installed, install it. Default: true
     config Optional config paramers. By default, the id is set to the name of the container.
salt.runners.lxc.list (host=None, quiet=False)
     List defined containers (running, stopped, and frozen) for the named (or all) host(s).
     salt-run lxc.list [host=minion_id]
salt.runners.lxc.purge (name, delete_key=True, quiet=False)
     Purge the named container and delete its minion key if present. WARNING: Destroys all data associated with
     the container.
     salt-run lxc.purge name
salt.runners.lxc.start (name, quiet=False)
     Start the named container.
```

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```
salt-run lxc.start name
salt.runners.lxc.stop (name, quiet=False)
    Stop the named container.
    salt-run lxc.stop name
salt.runners.lxc.unfreeze (name, quiet=False)
    Unfreeze the named container
    salt-run lxc.unfreeze name
```

salt.runners.manage

General management functions for salt, tools like seeing what hosts are up and what hosts are down

Bootstrap minions with salt-bootstrap

Options: version: git tag of version to install [default: develop] script: Script to execute [default: http://bootstrap.saltstack.org] hosts: Comma separated hosts [example: hosts="host1.local,host2.local"]

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.bootstrap hosts="host1,host2"
salt-run manage.bootstrap hosts="host1,host2" version="v0.17"
salt-run manage.bootstrap hosts="host1,host2" version="v0.17" script="https://raw.github.com/sal
```

Bootstrap Windows minions via PsExec.

hosts Comma separated list of hosts to deploy the Windows Salt minion.

master Address of the Salt master passed as an argument to the installer.

version Point release of installer to download. Defaults to the most recent.

arch Architecture of installer to download. Defaults to win32.

installer_url URL of minion installer executable. Defaults to the latest version from http://docs.saltstack.com/downloads

username Optional user name for login on remote computer.

password Password for optional username. If omitted, PsExec will prompt for one to be entered for each host.

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.bootstrap_psexec hosts='host1,host2'
salt-run manage.bootstrap_psexec hosts='host1,host2' version='0.17' username='DOMAIN\Administrat
salt-run manage.bootstrap_psexec hosts='host1,host2' installer_url='http://exampledomain/salt-ir
```

salt.runners.manage.down (removekeys=False)

Print a list of all the down or unresponsive salt minions Optionally remove keys of down minions

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.down
salt-run manage.down removekeys=True
```

```
salt.runners.manage.key_regen()
```

This routine is used to regenerate all keys in an environment. This is invasive! ALL KEYS IN THE SALT ENVIRONMENT WILL BE REGENERATED!!

The key_regen routine sends a command out to minions to revoke the master key and remove all minion keys, it then removes all keys from the master and prompts the user to restart the master. The minions will all reconnect and keys will be placed in pending.

After the master is restarted and minion keys are in the pending directory execute a salt-key -A command to accept the regenerated minion keys.

The master *must* be restarted within 60 seconds of running this command or the minions will think there is something wrong with the keys and abort.

Only Execute this runner after upgrading minions and master to 0.15.1 or higher!

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.key_regen
```

salt.runners.manage.present()

Print a list of all minions that are up according to Salt's presence detection, no commands will be sent

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.present
```

salt.runners.manage.safe_accept (target, expr_form='glob')

Accept a minion's public key after checking the fingerprint over salt-ssh

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.safe_accept my_minion
salt-run manage.safe_accept minion1, minion2 expr_form=list
```

salt.runners.manage.status(output=True)

Print the status of all known salt minions

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.status
```

salt.runners.manage.up()

Print a list of all of the minions that are up

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.up
```

salt.runners.manage.versions()

Check the version of active minions

CLI Example:

```
salt-run manage.versions
```

salt.runners.network

Network tools to run from the Master

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```
salt.runners.network.wol (mac, bcast='255.255.255', destport=9)
Send a "Magic Packet" to wake up a Minion
```

CLI Example:

```
salt-run network.wol 08-00-27-13-69-77
salt-run network.wol 080027136977 255.255.255.255 7
salt-run network.wol 08:00:27:13:69:77 255.255.255.255 7
```

salt.runners.network.wollist(maclist, bcast='255.255.255.255', destport=9)

Send a "Magic Packet" to wake up a list of Minions. This list must contain one MAC hardware address per line

CLI Example:

```
salt-run network.wollist '/path/to/maclist'
salt-run network.wollist '/path/to/maclist' 255.255.255.255 7
salt-run network.wollist '/path/to/maclist' 255.255.255.255 7
```

salt.runners.search

Runner frontend to search system

```
salt.runners.search.query (term)
   Query the search system
   CLI Example:
   salt-run search.query foo
```

salt.runners.state

Execute overstate functions

```
salt.runners.state.event (tagmatch='*', count=1, quiet=False, sock_dir=None) Watch Salt's event bus and block until the given tag is matched
```

New in version Helium.

This is useful for taking some simple action after an event is fired via the CLI without having to use Salt's Reactor.

Parameters

- **tagmatch** the event is written to stdout for each tag that matches this pattern; uses the same matching semantics as Salt's Reactor.
- **count** this number is decremented for each event that matches the tagmatch parameter; pass –1 to listen forever.
- quiet do not print to stdout; just block
- sock_dir path to the Salt master's event socket file.

CLI Examples:

```
# Reboot a minion and run highstate when it comes back online
salt 'jerry' system.reboot && \
    salt-run state.event 'salt/minion/jerry/start' quiet=True && \
    salt 'jerry' state.highstate
# Reboot multiple minions and run highstate when all are back online
```

```
salt -L 'kevin, stewart, dave' system.reboot && \
         salt-run state.event 'salt/minion/*/start' count=3 quiet=True && \
         salt -L 'kevin, stewart, dave' state.highstate
     # Watch the event bus forever in a shell for-loop;
     # note, slow-running tasks here will fill up the input buffer.
     salt-run state.event count=-1 | while read -r tag data; do
         echo $tag
         echo $data | jq -colour-output .
     done
     Enable debug logging to see ignored events.
salt.runners.state.orchestrate (mods, saltenv='base', test=None, exclude=None, pillar=None)
     New in version 0.17.0.
     Execute a state run from the master, used as a powerful orchestration system.
     CLI Examples:
     salt-run state.orchestrate webserver
     salt-run state.orchestrate webserver saltenv=dev test=True
     Changed in version 2014.1.1: Runner renamed from state.sls to state.orchestrate
salt.runners.state.over(saltenv='base', os_fn=None)
     New in version 0.11.0.
     Execute an overstate sequence to orchestrate the executing of states over a group of systems
     CLI Examples:
     salt-run state.over base /path/to/myoverstate.sls
salt.runners.state.show_stages (saltenv='base', os_fn=None)
     New in version 0.11.0.
     Display the OverState's stage data
     CLI Examples:
```

salt.runners.survey

A general map/reduce style salt runner for aggregating results returned by several different minions.

Aggregated results are sorted by the size of the minion pools which returned matching results.

salt-run state.show_stages saltenv=dev /root/overstate.sls

Useful for playing the game: " some of these things are not like the others... " when identifying discrepancies in a large infrastructure managed by salt.

```
salt.runners.survey.diff(*args, **kwargs)
```

salt-run state.show_stages

Return the DIFFERENCE of the result sets returned by each matching minion pool. These pools are determined from the aggregated and sorted results of a salt command. This command displays the "diffs" as a series of 2-way differences—namely the diffence between the FIRST displayed minion pool (according to sort order) and EACH SUBSEQUENT minion pool result set. Differences are displayed according to the Python "difflib.unified_diff()" as in the case of the salt execution module "file.get diff".

This command is submitted via a salt runner using the general form:

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salt-run survey.diff [survey_sort=up/down] <target> <salt-execution-module> <salt-execution-module parameters>

```
Optionally accept a "survey_sort=" parameter. Default: "survey_sort=down"
```

CLI Example #1: (Example to display the "differences of files")

```
salt-run survey.diff survey_sort=up "*" cp.get_file_str file:///etc/hosts
```

```
salt.runners.survey.hash(*args, **kwargs)
```

Return the MATCHING minion pools from the aggregated and sorted results of a salt command. This command is submitted via a salt runner using the general form:

salt-run survey.hash [survey_sort=up/down] <target> <salt-execution-module> <salt-execution-module parameters>

```
Optionally accept a "survey_sort=" parameter. Default: "survey_sort=down"
```

CLI Example #1: (functionally equivalent to "salt-run manage.up")

```
salt-run survey.hash "*" test.ping
```

CLI Example #2: (find an "outlier" minion config file)

```
salt-run survey.hash "*" file.get_hash /etc/salt/minion survey_sort=up
```

salt.runners.thin

The thin runner is used to manage the salt thin systems.

Salt Thin is a transport-less version of Salt that can be used to run routines in a standalone way. This runner has tools which generate the standalone salt system for easy consumption.

```
salt.runners.thin.generate(extra_mods='', overwrite=False)
```

Generate the salt-thin tarball and print the location of the tarball Optional additional mods to include (e.g. mako) can be supplied as a comma delimited string. Permits forcing an overwrite of the output file as well.

CLI Example:

```
salt-run thin.generate
salt-run thin.generate mako
salt-run thin.generate mako,wempy 1
salt-run thin.generate overwrite=1
```

salt.runners.virt

Control virtual machines via Salt

```
salt.runners.virt.force_off(name)
```

Force power down the named virtual machine

```
salt.runners.virt.hyper_info(hyper=None)
```

Return information about the hypervisors connected to this master

```
salt.runners.virt.init(name, cpu, mem, image, hyper=None, seed=True, nic='default', in-
stall=True)
```

This routine is used to create a new virtual machine. This routines takes a number of options to determine what the newly created virtual machine will look like.

name The mandatory name of the new virtual machine. The name option is also the minion id, all minions must have an id.

cpu The number of cpus to allocate to this new virtual machine.

mem The amount of memory to allocate tot his virtual machine. The number is interpereted in megabytes.

image The network location of the virtual machine image, commonly a location on the salt fileserver, but http, https and ftp can also be used.

hyper The hypervisor to use for the new virtual macine, if this is ommitted Salt will automatically detect what hypervisor to use.

seed Set to False to prevent Salt from seeding the new virtual machine.

nic The nic profile to use, defaults to the "default" nic profile which assumes a single network interface per vm associated with the "br0" bridge on the master.

install Set to False to prevent Salt for instaling a minion on the new vm before it spins up.

```
salt.runners.virt.list(hyper=None, quiet=False)
```

List the virtual machines on each hyper, this is a simplified query, showing only the virtual machine names belonging to each hypervisor. A single hypervisor can be passed in to specify an individual hypervisor to list.

```
salt.runners.virt.migrate(name, target='')
```

Migrate a vm from one hypervisor to another. This routine will just start the migration and display information on how to look up the progress.

```
salt.runners.virt.next_hyper()
```

Return the hypervisor to use for the next autodeployed vm. This querires the available hypervisors and executes some math the determine the most "available" next hypervisor.

```
salt.runners.virt.pause(name)
```

Pause the named vm

```
salt.runners.virt.purge(name, delete_key=True)
```

Destroy the named vm

```
salt.runners.virt.query(hyper=None, quiet=False)
```

Query the virtual machines. When called without options all hypervisors are detected and a full query is returned. A single hypervisor can be passed in to specify an individual hypervisor to query.

```
salt.runners.virt.reset (name)
```

Force power down and restart an existing vm

```
salt.runners.virt.resume (name)
```

Resume a paused vm

```
salt.runners.virt.start(name)
```

Start a named virtual machine

```
salt.runners.virt.vm info(name, quiet=False)
```

Return the information on the named vm

salt.runners.winrepo

Runner to manage Windows software repo

```
salt.runners.winrepo.genrepo()
```

Generate win_repo_cachefile based on sls files in the win_repo

CLI Example:

```
salt-run winrepo.genrepo
```

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```
salt.runners.winrepo.update_git_repos()
    Checkout git repos containing Windows Software Package Definitions
    CLI Example:
    salt-run winrepo.update_git_repos
```

20.23.2 Writing Salt Runners

A Salt runner is written in a similar manner to a Salt execution module. Both are Python modules which contain functions and each public function is a runner which may be executed via the *salt-run* command.

For example, if a Python module named test.py is created in the runners directory and contains a function called foo, the test runner could be invoked with the following command:

```
# salt-run test.foo
```

To add custom runners, put them in a directory and add it to runner dirs in the master configuration file.

20.23.3 Examples

Examples of runners can be found in the Salt distribution:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/runners

A simple runner that returns a well-formatted list of the minions that are responding to Salt calls could look like this:

20.24 State Enforcement

Salt offers an optional interface to manage the configuration or "state" of the Salt minions. This interface is a fully capable mechanism used to enforce the state of systems from a central manager.

20.24.1 File State Backups

In 0.10.2 a new feature was added for backing up files that are replaced by the file.managed and file.recurse states. The new feature is called the backup mode. Setting the backup mode is easy, but it can be set in a number of places.

The backup_mode can be set in the minion config file:

```
backup_mode: minion
```

Or it can be set for each file:

```
/etc/ssh/sshd_config:
   file.managed:
     - source: salt://ssh/sshd_config
     - backup: minion
```

Backed-up Files

The files will be saved in the minion cachedir under the directory named file_backup. The files will be in the location relative to where they were under the root filesystem and be appended with a timestamp. This should make them easy to browse.

Interacting with Backups

Starting with version 0.17.0, it will be possible to list, restore, and delete previously-created backups.

Listing

The backups for a given file can be listed using file.list_backups:

```
# salt foo.bar.com file.list_backups /tmp/foo.txt
foo.bar.com:
   0:
       Backup Time:
           Sat Jul 27 2013 17:48:41.738027
       Location:
           /var/cache/salt/minion/file_backup/tmp/foo.txt_Sat_Jul_27_17:48:41_738027_2013
       Size:
           13
   1:
       Backup Time:
           Sat Jul 27 2013 17:48:28.369804
       Location:
           /var/cache/salt/minion/file_backup/tmp/foo.txt_Sat_Jul_27_17:48:28_369804_2013
       Size:
            35
```

Restoring

Restoring is easy using file.restore_backup, just pass the path and the numeric id found with file.list_backups:

The existing file will be backed up, just in case, as can be seen if file.list_backups is run again:

```
# salt foo.bar.com file.list_backups /tmp/foo.txt
foo.bar.com:
    0:
        Backup Time:
           Sat Jul 27 2013 18:00:19.822550
        Location:
           /var/cache/salt/minion/file_backup/tmp/foo.txt_Sat_Jul_27_18:00:19_822550_2013
        Size:
           53
    1:
        Backup Time:
           Sat Jul 27 2013 17:48:41.738027
        Location:
            /var/cache/salt/minion/file_backup/tmp/foo.txt_Sat_Jul_27_17:48:41_738027_2013
        Size:
            13
    2:
        Backup Time:
           Sat Jul 27 2013 17:48:28.369804
        Location:
           /var/cache/salt/minion/file_backup/tmp/foo.txt_Sat_Jul_27_17:48:28_369804_2013
        Size:
            35
```

Note: Since no state is being run, restoring a file will not trigger any watches for the file. So, if you are restoring a config file for a service, it will likely still be necessary to run a service.restart.

Deleting

Deleting backups can be done using mod:file.delete_backup <salt.modules.file.delete_backup>:

20.24.2 Understanding State Compiler Ordering

Note: This tutorial is an intermediate level tutorial. Some basic understanding of the state system and writing Salt Formulas is assumed.

Salt's state system is built to deliver all of the power of configuration management systems without sacrificing simplicity. This tutorial is made to help users understand in detail just how the order is defined for state executions in Salt

This tutorial is written to represent the behavior of Salt as of version 0.17.0.

Compiler Basics

To understand ordering in depth some very basic knowledge about the state compiler is very helpful. No need to worry though, this is very high level!

High Data and Low Data

When defining Salt Formulas in YAML the data that is being represented is referred to by the compiler as High Data. When the data is initially loaded into the compiler it is a single large python dictionary, this dictionary can be viewed raw by running:

```
salt '*' state.show_highstate
```

This "High Data" structure is then compiled down to "Low Data". The Low Data is what is matched up to create individual executions in Salt's configuration management system. The low data is an ordered list of single state calls to execute. Once the low data is compiled the evaluation order can be seen.

The low data can be viewed by running:

```
salt '*' state.show_lowstate
```

Note: The state execution module contains MANY functions for evaluating the state system and is well worth a read! These routines can be very useful when debugging states or to help deepen one's understanding of Salt's state system.

As an example, a state written thusly:

```
apache:
   pkg:
        - installed
   service:
        - running
        - watch:
        - file: /etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf
        - pkg: apache
/etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf:
   file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://apache/httpd.conf
```

Will have High Data which looks like this represented in json:

```
"pkg": "apache"
                ]
            },
            {
                "order": 10001
        "__sls__": "apache",
        "__env__": "base"
    "/etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf": {
        "file": [
            "managed",
            {
                 "source": "salt://apache/httpd.conf"
            },
                 "order": 10002
        ],
        "__sls__": "apache",
        "__env__": "base"
    }
}
The subsequent Low Data will look like this:
[
        "name": "apache",
        "state": "pkg",
        "__id__": "apache",
        "fun": "installed",
        "__env__": "base",
        "__sls__": "apache",
        "order": 10000
    },
        "name": "apache",
        "watch": [
            {
                 "file": "/etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf"
            },
            {
                "pkg": "apache"
        "state": "service",
        "__id__": "apache",
        "fun": "running",
        "__env__": "base",
        "__sls__": "apache",
        "order": 10001
    },
        "name": "/etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf",
        "source": "salt://apache/httpd.conf",
        "state": "file",
```

```
"__id__": "/etc/httpd/conf.d/httpd.conf",
    "fun": "managed",
    "__env__": "base",
    "__sls__": "apache",
    "order": 10002
}
```

This tutorial discusses the Low Data evaluation and the state runtime.

Ordering Layers

Salt defines 2 order interfaces which are evaluated in the state runtime and defines these orders in a number of passes.

Definition Order

Note: The Definition Order system can be disabled by turning the option *state_auto_order* to *False* in the master configuration file.

The top level of ordering is the *Definition Order*. The *Definition Order* is the order in which states are defined in salt formulas. This is very straightforward on basic states which do not contain include statements or a top file, as the states are just ordered from the top of the file, but the include system starts to bring in some simple rules for how the *Definition Order* is defined.

Looking back at the "Low Data" and "High Data" shown above, the order key has been transparently added to the data to enable the *Definition Order*.

The Include Statement Basically, if there is an include statement in a formula, then the formulas which are included will be run BEFORE the contents of the formula which is including them. Also, the include statement is a list, so they will be loaded in the order in which they are included.

In the following case:

```
foo.sls
include:
    - bar
    - baz
bar.sls
include:
    - quo
baz.sls
include:
    - qux
```

In the above case if *state.sls foo* were called then the formulas will be loaded in the following order:

- 1. quo
- 2. bar
- 3. qux

- 4. baz
- 5. foo

The order Flag

The *Definition Order* happens transparently in the background, but the ordering can be explicitly overridden using the *order* flag in states:

This order flag will over ride the definition order, this makes it very simple to create states that are always executed first, last or in specific stages, a great example is defining a number of package repositories that need to be set up before anything else, or final checks that need to be run at the end of a state run by using *order: last* or *order: -1*.

When the order flag is explicitly set the *Definition Order* system will omit setting an order for that state and directly use the order flag defined.

Lexicographical Fall-back

Salt states were written to ALWAYS execute in the same order. Before the introduction of *Definition Order* in version 0.17.0 everything was ordered lexicographically according to the name of the state, then function then id.

This is the way Salt has always ensured that states always run in the same order regardless of where they are deployed, the addition of the *Definition Order* method mealy makes this finite ordering easier to follow.

The lexicographical ordering is still applied but it only has any effect when two order statements collide. This means that if multiple states are assigned the same order number that they will fall back to lexicographical ordering to ensure that every execution still happens in a finite order.

Note: If running with *state_auto_order: False* the *order* key is not set automatically, since the Lexicographical order can be derived from other keys.

Requisite Ordering

Salt states are fully declarative, in that they are written to declare the state in which a system should be. This means that components can require that other components have been set up successfully. Unlike the other ordering systems, the *Requisite* system in Salt is evaluated at runtime.

The requisite system is also built to ensure that the ordering of execution never changes, but is always the same for a given set of states. This is accomplished by using a runtime that processes states in a completely predictable order instead of using an event loop based system like other declarative configuration management systems.

Runtime Requisite Evaluation

The requisite system is evaluated as the components are found, and the requisites are always evaluated in the same order. This explanation will be followed by an example, as the raw explanation may be a little dizzying at first as it creates a linear dependency evaluation sequence.

The "Low Data" is an ordered list or dictionaries, the state runtime evaluates each dictionary in the order in which they are arranged in the list. When evaluating a single dictionary it is checked for requisites, requisites are evaluated in order, *require* then *watch* then *prereq*.

Note: If using requisite in statements like require_in and watch_in these will be compiled down to require and watch statements before runtime evaluation.

Each requisite contains an ordered list of requisites, these requisites are looked up in the list of dictionaries and then executed. Once all requisites have been evaluated and executed then the requiring state can safely be run (or not run if requisites have not been met).

This means that the requisites are always evaluated in the same order, again ensuring one of the core design principals of Salt's State system to ensure that execution is always finite is intact.

Simple Runtime Evaluation Example

Given the above "Low Data" the states will be evaluated in the following order:

- 1. The pkg.installed is executed ensuring that the apache package is installed, it contains no requisites and is therefore the first defined state to execute.
- 2. The service running state is evaluated but NOT executed, a watch requisite is found, therefore they are read in order, the runtime first checks for the file, sees that it has not been executed and calls for the file state to be evaluated.
- 3. The file state is evaluated AND executed, since it, like the pkg state does not contain any requisites.
- 4. The evaluation of the service state continues, it next checks the pkg requisite and sees that it is met, with all requisites met the service state is now executed.

Best Practice

The best practice in Salt is to choose a method and stick with it, official states are written using requisites for all associations since requisites create clean, traceable dependency trails and make for the most portable formulas. To accomplish something similar to how classical imperative systems function all requisites can be omitted and the failhard option then set to *True* in the master configuration, this will stop all state runs at the first instance of a failure.

In the end, using requisites creates very tight and fine grained states, not using requisites makes full sequence runs and while slightly easier to write, and gives much less control over the executions.

20.24.3 Extending External SLS Data

Sometimes a state defined in one SLS file will need to be modified from a separate SLS file. A good example of this is when an argument needs to be overwritten or when a service needs to watch an additional state.

The Extend Declaration

The standard way to extend is via the extend declaration. The extend declaration is a top level declaration like include and encapsulates ID declaration data included from other SLS files. A standard extend looks like this:

A few critical things happened here, first off the SLS files that are going to be extended are included, then the extend dec is defined. Under the extend dec 2 IDs are extended, the apache ID's file state is overwritten with a new name and source. Than the ssh server is extended to watch the banner file in addition to anything it is already watching.

Extend is a Top Level Declaration

This means that extend can only be called once in an sls, if if is used twice then only one of the extend blocks will be read. So this is WRONG:

```
include:
    - http
    - ssh

extend:
    apache:
    file:
        - name: /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
        - source: salt://http/httpd2.conf

# Second extend will overwrite the first!! Only make one
extend:
    ssh-server:
    service:
        - watch:
        - file: /etc/ssh/banner
```

The Requisite "in" Statement

Since one of the most common things to do when extending another SLS is to add states for a service to watch, or anything for a watcher to watch, the requisite in statement was added to 0.9.8 to make extending the watch and require lists easier. The ssh-server extend statement above could be more cleanly defined like so:

```
include:
   - ssh

/etc/ssh/banner:
   file.managed:
    - source: salt://ssh/banner
```

```
- watch_in:
  - service: ssh-server
```

Rules to Extend By

There are a few rules to remember when extending states:

- 1. Always include the SLS being extended with an include declaration
- 2. Requisites (watch and require) are appended to, everything else is overwritten
- 3. extend is a top level declaration, like an ID declaration, cannot be declared twice in a single SLS
- 4. Many IDs can be extended under the extend declaration

20.24.4 Failhard Global Option

Normally, when a state fails Salt continues to execute the remainder of the defined states and will only refuse to execute states that require the failed state.

But the situation may exist, where you would want all state execution to stop if a single state execution fails. The capability to do this is called failing hard.

State Level Failhard

A single state can have a failhard set, this means that if this individual state fails that all state execution will immediately stop. This is a great thing to do if there is a state that sets up a critical config file and setting a require for each state that reads the config would be cumbersome. A good example of this would be setting up a package manager early on:

```
/etc/yum.repos.d/company.repo:
    file.managed:
        - source: salt://company/yumrepo.conf
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: 644
        - order: 1
        - failhard: True
```

In this situation, the yum repo is going to be configured before other states, and if it fails to lay down the config file, than no other states will be executed.

Global Failhard

It may be desired to have failhard be applied to every state that is executed, if this is the case, then failhard can be set in the master configuration file. Setting failhard in the master configuration file will result in failing hard when any minion gathering states from the master have a state fail.

This is NOT the default behavior, normally Salt will only fail states that require a failed state.

Using the global failhard is generally not recommended, since it can result in states not being executed or even checked. It can also be confusing to see states failhard if an admin is not actively aware that the failhard has been set.

To use the global failhard set failhard: True in the master configuration file.

20.24.5 Highstate data structure definitions

The Salt State Tree

A state tree is a collection of SLS files that live under the directory specified in file_roots. A state tree can be organized into SLS modules.

Top file

The main state file that instructs minions what environment and modules to use during state execution.

Configurable via state_top.

See also:

A detailed description of the top file

Include declaration

Defines a list of *Module reference* strings to include in this SLS.

Occurs only in the top level of the highstate structure.

Example:

```
include:
   - edit.vim
   - http.server
```

Module reference

The name of a SLS module defined by a separate SLS file and residing on the Salt Master. A module named edit.vim is a reference to the SLS file salt://edit/vim.sls.

ID declaration

Defines an individual highstate component. Always references a value of a dictionary containing keys referencing *State declaration* and *Requisite declaration*. Can be overridden by a *Name declaration* or a *Names declaration*.

Occurs on the top level or under the *Extend declaration*.

Must be unique across entire state tree. If the same ID declaration is used twice, only the first one matched will be used. All subsequent ID declarations with the same name will be ignored.

Note: Naming gotchas

Until 0.9.6, IDs could **not** contain a dot, otherwise highstate summary output was unpredictable. (It was fixed in versions 0.9.7 and above)

Extend declaration

Extends a *Name declaration* from an included SLS module. The keys of the extend declaration always define existing :ref'ID declaration' which have been defined in included SLS modules.

Occurs only in the top level and defines a dictionary.

Extend declarations are useful for adding-to or overriding parts of a *State declaration* that is defined in another SLS file. In the following contrived example, the shown mywebsite.sls file is include -ing and extend -ing the apache.sls module in order to add a watch declaration that will restart Apache whenever the Apache configuration file, mywebsite changes.

```
include:
    - apache

extend:
    apache:
    service:
    - watch:
        - file: mywebsite

mywebsite:
    file:
    - managed
```

See also:

watch_in and require_in

Sometimes it is more convenient to use the watch_in or require_in syntax instead of extending another SLS file.

State Requisites

State declaration

A list which contains one string defining the *Function declaration* and any number of *Function arg declaration* dictionaries.

Can, optionally, contain a number of additional components like the name override components — *name* and *names*. Can also contain *requisite declarations*.

Occurs under an ID declaration.

Requisite declaration

A list containing requisite references.

Used to build the action dependency tree. While Salt states are made to execute in a deterministic order, this order is managed by requiring and watching other Salt states.

Occurs as a list component under a State declaration or as a key under an ID declaration.

Requisite reference

A single key dictionary. The key is the name of the referenced *State declaration* and the value is the ID of the referenced *ID declaration*.

Occurs as a single index in a *Requisite declaration* list.

Function declaration

The name of the function to call within the state. A state declaration can contain only a single function declaration.

For example, the following state declaration calls the installed function in the pkg state module:

```
httpd:
   pkg.installed
```

The function can be declared inline with the state as a shortcut, but the actual data structure is better referenced in this form:

Where the function is a string in the body of the state declaration. Technically when the function is declared in dot notation the compiler converts it to be a string in the state declaration list. Note that the use of the first example more than once in an ID declaration is invalid yaml.

INVALID:

```
httpd:
  pkg.installed
  service.running
```

When passing a function without arguments and another state declaration within a single ID declaration, then the long or "standard" format needs to be used since otherwise it does not represent a valid data structure.

VALID:

Occurs as the only index in the *State declaration* list.

Function arg declaration

A single key dictionary referencing a Python type which is to be passed to the named *Function declaration* as a parameter. The type must be the data type expected by the function.

Occurs under a Function declaration.

For example in the following state declaration user, group, and mode are passed as arguments to the managed function in the file state module:

```
/etc/http/conf/http.conf:
    file.managed:
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: 644
```

Name declaration

Overrides the name argument of a *State declaration*. If name is not specified the *ID declaration* satisfies the name argument.

The name is always a single key dictionary referencing a string.

Overriding name is useful for a variety of scenarios.

For example, avoiding clashing ID declarations. The following two state declarations cannot both have /etc/motd as the ID declaration:

```
motd_perms:
    file.managed:
        - name: /etc/motd
        - mode: 644

motd_quote:
    file.append:
        - name: /etc/motd
        - text: "Of all smells, bread; of all tastes, salt."
```

Another common reason to override name is if the ID declaration is long and needs to be referenced in multiple places. In the example below it is much easier to specify mywebsite than to specify /etc/apache2/sites-available/mywebsite.com multiple times:

```
mywebsite:
    file.managed:
        - name: /etc/apache2/sites-available/mywebsite.com
        - source: salt://mywebsite.com

a2ensite mywebsite.com:
    cmd.wait:
        - unless: test -L /etc/apache2/sites-enabled/mywebsite.com
        - watch:
        - file: mywebsite

apache2:
    service:
        - running
        - watch:
        - file: mywebsite
```

Names declaration

Expands the contents of the containing State declaration into multiple state declarations, each with its own name.

For example, given the following state declaration:

Once converted into the lowstate data structure the above state declaration will be expanded into the following three state declarations:

```
python-django:
   pkg.installed

python-crypto:
   pkg.installed

python-yaml:
   pkg.installed
```

Large example

Here is the layout in yaml using the names of the highdata structure components.

```
<Include Declaration>:
  - <Module Reference>
  - <Module Reference>
<Extend Declaration>:
  <ID Declaration>:
    [<overrides>]
# standard declaration
<ID Declaration>:
  <State Declaration>:
    - <Function>
    - <Function Arg>
    - <Function Arg>
    - <Function Arg>
    - <Name>: <name>
    - <Requisite Declaration>:
      - <Requisite Reference>
      - <Requisite Reference>
# inline function and names
<ID Declaration>:
  <State Declaration>.<Function>:
    - <Function Arg>
    - <Function Arg>
    - <Function Arg>
    - <Names>:
      - <name>
      - <name>
      - <name>
    - <Requisite Declaration>:
      - <Requisite Reference>
      - <Requisite Reference>
# multiple states for single id
<ID Declaration>:
  <State Declaration>:
    - <Function>
```

```
- <Function Arg>
- <Name>: <name>
- <Requisite Declaration>:
- <Requisite Reference>
<State Declaration>:
- <Function>
- <Function Arg>
- <Name>>:
- <name>
- <name>
- <Requisite Declaration>:
- <Requisite Reference>
```

20.24.6 Include and Exclude

Salt sls files can include other sls files and exclude sls files that have been otherwise included. This allows for an sls file to easily extend or manipulate other sls files.

Include

When other sls files are included, everything defined in the included sls file will be added to the state run. When including define a list of sls formulas to include:

```
include:
    - http
    - libvirt
```

The include statement will include sls formulas from the same environment that the including sls formula is in. But the environment can be explicitly defined in the configuration to override the running environment, therefore if an sls formula needs to be included from an external environment named "dev" the following syntax is used:

```
include:
   - dev: http
```

Relative Include

In Salt 0.16.0 the capability to include sls formulas which are relative to the running sls formula was added, simply precede the formula name with a .:

```
include:
    - .virt
    - .virt.hyper
```

Exclude

The exclude statement, added in Salt 0.10.3 allows an sls to hard exclude another sls file or a specific id. The component is excluded after the high data has been compiled, so nothing should be able to override an exclude.

Since the exclude can remove an id or an sls the type of component to exclude needs to be defined. an exclude statement that verifies that the running highstate does not contain the http sls and the /etc/vimrc id would look like this:

```
exclude:
    - sls: http
    - id: /etc/vimrc
```

20.24.7 State System Layers

The Salt state system is comprised of multiple layers. While using Salt does not require an understanding of the state layers, a deeper understanding of how Salt compiles and manages states can be very beneficial.

Function Call

The lowest layer of functionality in the state system is the direct state function call. State executions are executions of single state functions at the core. These individual functions are defined in state modules and can be called directly via the state.single command.

```
salt '*' state.single pkg.installed name='vim'
```

Low Chunk

The low chunk is the bottom of the Salt state compiler. This is a data representation of a single function call. The low chunk is sent to the state caller and used to execute a single state function.

A single low chunk can be executed manually via the state.low command.

```
salt '*' state.low '{name: vim, state: pkg, fun: installed}'
```

The passed data reflects what the state execution system gets after compiling the data down from sls formulas.

Low State

The Low State layer is the list of low chunks "evaluated" in order. To see what the low state looks like for a highstate, run:

```
salt '*' state.show_lowstate
```

This will display the raw lowstate in the order which each low chunk will be evaluated. The order of evaluation is not necessarily the order of execution, since requisites are evaluated at runtime. Requisite execution and evaluation is finite; this means that the order of execution can be ascertained with 100% certainty based on the order of the low state.

High Data

High data is the data structure represented in YAML via SLS files. The High data structure is created by merging the data components rendered inside sls files (or other render systems). The High data can be easily viewed by executing the state.show_highstate or state.show_sls functions. Since this data is a somewhat complex data structure, it may be easier to read using the json, yaml, or pprint outputters:

```
salt '*' state.show_highstate --out yaml
salt '*' state.show_sls edit.vim --out pprint
```

SLS

Above "High Data", the logical layers are no longer technically required to be executed, or to be executed in a hierarchy. This means that how the High data is generated is optional and very flexible. The SLS layer allows for many mechanisms to be used to render sls data from files or to use the fileserver backend to generate sls and file data from external systems.

The SLS layer can be called directly to execute individual sls formulas.

Note: SLS Formulas have historically been called "SLS files". This is because a single SLS was only constituted in a single file. Now the term "SLS Formula" better expresses how a compartmentalized SLS can be expressed in a much more dynamic way by combining pillar and other sources, and the SLS can be dynamically generated.

To call a single SLS formula named edit.vim, execute state.sls:

```
salt '*' state.sls edit.vim
```

HighState

Calling SLS directly logically assigns what states should be executed from the context of the calling minion. The Highstate layer is used to allow for full contextual assignment of what is executed where to be tied to groups of, or individual, minions entirely from the master. This means that the environment of a minion, and all associated execution data pertinent to said minion, can be assigned from the master without needing to execute or configure anything on the target minion. This also means that the minion can independently retrieve information about its complete configuration from the master.

To execute the High State call state.highstate:

```
salt '*' state.highstate
```

OverState

The overstate layer expresses the highest functional layer of Salt's automated logic systems. The Overstate allows for stateful and functional orchestration of routines from the master. The overstate defines in data execution stages which minions should execute states, or functions, and in what order using requisite logic.

20.24.8 The Orchestrate Runner

Note: This documentation has been moved here.

20.24.9 Ordering States

The way in which configuration management systems are executed is a hotly debated topic in the configuration management world. Two major philosophies exist on the subject, to either execute in an imperative fashion where things are executed in the order in which they are defined, or in a declarative fashion where dependencies need to be mapped between objects.

Imperative ordering is finite and generally considered easier to write, but declarative ordering is much more powerful and flexible but generally considered more difficult to create.

Salt has been created to get the best of both worlds. States are evaluated in a finite order, which guarantees that states are always executed in the same order, and the states runtime is declarative, making Salt fully aware of dependencies via the *requisite* system.

State Auto Ordering

Salt always executes states in a finite manner, meaning that they will always execute in the same order regardless of the system that is executing them. But in Salt 0.17.0, the state_auto_order option was added. This option makes states get evaluated in the order in which they are defined in sls files.

The evaluation order makes it easy to know what order the states will be executed in, but it is important to note that the requisite system will override the ordering defined in the files, and the order option described below will also override the order in which states are defined in sls files.

If the classic ordering is preferred (lexicographic), then set state_auto_order to False in the master configuration file.

Requisite Statements

Note: This document represents behavior exhibited by Salt requisites as of version 0.9.7 of Salt.

Often when setting up states any single action will require or depend on another action. Salt allows for the building of relationships between states with requisite statements. A requisite statement ensures that the named state is evaluated before the state requiring it. There are three types of requisite statements in Salt, **require**, **watch** and **prereq**.

These requisite statements are applied to a specific state declaration:

```
httpd:
    pkg:
        - installed
file.managed:
        - name: /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
        - source: salt://httpd/httpd.conf
        - require:
        - pkg: httpd
```

In this example, the **require** requisite is used to declare that the file /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf should only be set up if the pkg state executes successfully.

The requisite system works by finding the states that are required and executing them before the state that requires them. Then the required states can be evaluated to see if they have executed correctly.

Require statements can refer to any state defined in Salt. The basic examples are *pkg*, *service* and *file*, but any used state can be referenced.

In addition to state declarations such as pkg, file, etc., **sls** type requisites are also recognized, and essentially allow 'chaining' of states. This provides a mechanism to ensure the proper sequence for complex state formulas, especially when the discrete states are split or groups into separate sls files:

```
include:
    - network

httpd:
    pkg:
        - installed
    service:
        - running
        - require:
        - pkg: httpd
        - sls: network
```

In this example, the httpd service running state will not be applied (i.e., the httpd service will not be started) unless both the https package is installed AND the network state is satisfied.

Note: Requisite matching

Requisites match on both the ID Declaration and the name parameter. Therefore, if using the pkgs or sources argument to install a list of packages in a pkg state, it's important to note that it is impossible to match an individual package in the list, since all packages are installed as a single state.

Multiple Requisites

The requisite statement is passed as a list, allowing for the easy addition of more requisites. Both requisite types can also be separately declared:

```
httpd:
  pkg:
    - installed
  service.running:
    - enable: True
    - watch:
      - file: /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
    - require:
      - pkg: httpd
      - user: httpd
      - group: httpd
  file.managed:
    - name: /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
    - source: salt://httpd/httpd.conf
    - require:
      - pkg: httpd
  user:
    - present
  group:
    - present
```

In this example, the httpd service is only going to be started if the package, user, group and file are executed successfully.

The Require Requisite

The foundation of the requisite system is the require requisite. The require requisite ensures that the required state(s) are executed before the requiring state. So, if a state is declared that sets down a vimrc, then it would be pertinent to make sure that the vimrc file would only be set down if the vim package has been installed:

```
vim:
    pkg:
        - installed
    file.managed:
        - source: salt://vim/vimrc
        - require:
        - pkg: vim
```

In this case, the vimrc file will only be applied by Salt if and after the vim package is installed.

The Watch Requisite

The watch requisite is more advanced than the require requisite. The watch requisite executes the same logic as require (therefore if something is watched it does not need to also be required) with the addition of executing logic if the required states have changed in some way.

The watch requisite checks to see if the watched states have returned any changes. If the watched state returns changes, and the watched states execute successfully, then the watching state will execute a function that reacts to the changes in the watched states.

Perhaps an example can better explain the behavior:

```
redis:
    pkg:
        - latest
    file.managed:
        - source: salt://redis/redis.conf
        - name: /etc/redis.conf
        - require:
              - pkg: redis
        service.running:
              - enable: True
              - watch:
                   - file: /etc/redis.conf
                   - pkg: redis
```

In this example, the redis service will only be started if the file /etc/redis.conf is applied, and the file is only applied if the package is installed. This is normal require behavior, but if the watched file changes, or the watched package is installed or upgraded, then the redis service is restarted.

Note: To reiterate: watch does not alter the original behavior of a function in any way. The original behavior stays, but additional behavior (defined by mod_watch as explored below) will be run if there are changes in the watched state. This is why, for example, we have to have a cmd.wait state for watching purposes. If you examine the source code, you'll see that cmd.wait is an empty function. However, you'll notice that mod_watch is actually just an alias of cmd.run. So if there are changes, we run the command, otherwise, we do nothing.

Watch and the mod_watch Function

The watch requisite is based on the mod_watch function. Python state modules can include a function called mod_watch which is then called if the watch call is invoked. When mod_watch is called depends on the execution of the watched state, which:

- If no changes then just run the watching state itself as usual. mod_watch is not called. This behavior is same as using a require.
- If changes then run the watching state AND if that changes nothing then react by calling mod_watch.

When reacting, in the case of the service module the underlying service is restarted. In the case of the cmd state the command is executed.

The mod watch function for the service state looks like this:

```
The name of the init or rc script used to manage the service
sig
    The string to search for when looking for the service process with ps
   _salt__['service.status'](name, sig):
    if 'service.reload' in __salt__ and reload:
       restart_func = __salt__['service.reload']
   elif 'service.full_restart' in __salt__ and full_restart:
       restart_func = __salt__['service.full_restart']
   else:
       restart_func = __salt__['service.restart']
else:
   restart_func = __salt__['service.start']
result = restart_func(name)
return {'name': name,
        'changes': {name: result},
        'result': result,
        'comment': 'Service restarted' if result else \
                   'Failed to restart the service'
```

The watch requisite only works if the state that is watching has a mod_watch function written. If watch is set on a state that does not have a mod_watch function (like pkg), then the listed states will behave only as if they were under a require statement.

Also notice that a mod_watch may accept additional keyword arguments, which, in the sls file, will be taken from the same set of arguments specified for the state that includes the watch requisite. This means, for the earlier service.running example above, the service can be set to reload instead of restart like this:

redis:

```
# ... other state declarations omitted ...
service.running:
   - enable: True
   - reload: True
   - watch:
    - file: /etc/redis.conf
   - pkg: redis
```

The Order Option

Before using the *order* option, remember that the majority of state ordering should be done with a *Requisite declaration*, and that a requisite declaration will override an *order* option, so a state with order option should not require or required by other states.

The order option is used by adding an order number to a state declaration with the option *order*:

By adding the order option to I this ensures that the vim package will be installed in tandem with any other state declaration set to the order I.

Any state declared without an order option will be executed after all states with order options are executed.

But this construct can only handle ordering states from the beginning. Certain circumstances will present a situation where it is desirable to send a state to the end of the line. To do this, set the order to last:

```
vim:
   pkg.installed:
      - order: last
```

20.24.10 OverState System

Note: This documentation has been moved *here*.

20.24.11 State Providers

New in version 0.9.8.

Salt predetermines what modules should be mapped to what uses based on the properties of a system. These determinations are generally made for modules that provide things like package and service management.

Sometimes in states, it may be necessary to use an alternative module to provide the needed functionality. For instance, an older Arch Linux system may not be running systemd, so instead of using the systemd service module, you can revert to the default service module:

```
httpd:
    service.running:
    - enable: True
    - provider: service
```

In this instance, the basic service module (which manages **sysvinit**-based services) will replace the systemd module which is used by default on Arch Linux.

However, if it is necessary to make this override for most or every service, it is better to just override the provider in the minion config file, as described in the section below.

Setting a Provider in the Minion Config File

Sometimes, when running Salt on custom Linux spins, or distribution that are derived from other distributions, Salt does not successfully detect providers. The providers which are most likely to be affected by this are:

- pkg
- service
- user
- group

When something like this happens, rather than specifying the provider manually in each state, it easier to use the providers parameter in the minion config file to set the provider.

If you end up needing to override a provider because it was not detected, please let us know! File an issue on the issue tracker, and provide the output from the grains.items function, taking care to sanitize any sensitive information.

Below are tables that should help with deciding which provider to use if one needs to be overridden.

Provider: pkg

Execution Module	Used for
apt	Debian/Ubuntu-based distros which use apt-get (8) for package management
brew	Mac OS software management using Homebrew
ebuild	Gentoo-based systems (utilizes the portage python module as well as emerge (1))
freebsdpkg	FreeBSD-based OSes using pkg_add(1)
openbsdpkg	OpenBSD-based OSes using pkg_add(1)
pacman	Arch Linux-based distros using pacman (8)
pkgin	NetBSD-based OSes using pkgin (1)
pkgng	FreeBSD-based OSes using pkg (8)
pkgutil	Solaris-based OSes using OpenCSW's pkgutil (1)
solarispkg	Solaris-based OSes using pkgadd (1M)
win_pkg	Windows
yumpkg	RedHat-based distros and derivatives (wraps yum(8))
zypper	SUSE-based distros using zypper (8)

Provider: service

Execution	Used for
Module	
de-	Debian (non-systemd)
bian_service	
freebsdser-	FreeBSD-based OSes using service (8)
vice	
gen-	Gentoo Linux using sysvinit and rc-update (8)
too_service	
launchetl	Mac OS hosts using launchetl(1)
netbsdservice	NetBSD-based OSes
openbsdser-	OpenBSD-based OSes
vice	
rh_service	RedHat-based distros and derivatives using service (8) and chkconfig (8). Supports both
	pure sysvinit and mixed sysvinit/upstart systems.
service	Fallback which simply wraps sysvinit scripts
smf	Solaris-based OSes which use SMF
systemd	Linux distros which use systemd
upstart	Ubuntu-based distros using upstart
win_service	Windows

Provider: user

Execution	Used for
Module	
useradd	Linux, NetBSD, and OpenBSD systems using useradd(8), userdel(8), and
	usermod(8)
pw_user	FreeBSD-based OSes using pw (8)
solaris_user	Solaris-based OSes using useradd(1M), userdel(1M), and usermod(1M)
win_useradd	Windows

Provider: group

Execution	Used for
Module	
groupadd	Linux, NetBSD, and OpenBSD systems using groupadd(8), groupdel(8), and
	groupmod(8)
pw_group	FreeBSD-based OSes using pw (8)
solaris_group	Solaris-based OSes using groupadd (1M), groupdel (1M), and groupmod (1M)
win_groupadd	Windows

Arbitrary Module Redirects

The provider statement can also be used for more powerful means, instead of overwriting or extending the module used for the named service an arbitrary module can be used to provide certain functionality.

```
emacs:
   pkg.installed:
      - provider:
      - cmd: customcmd
```

In this example, the state is being instructed to use a custom module to invoke commands.

Arbitrary module redirects can be used to dramatically change the behavior of a given state.

20.24.12 Requisites

The Salt requisite system is used to create relationships between states. The core idea being that, when one state is dependent somehow on another, that inter-dependency can be easily defined.

Requisites come in two types: Direct requisites (such as require and watch), and requisite_ins (require_in, watch_in, and prereq_in). The relationships are directional, so a requisite statement makes the requiring state declaration depend on the required state declaration:

```
vim:
   pkg.installed

/etc/vimrc:
   file.managed:
    - source: salt://edit/vimrc
    - require:
    - pkg: vim
```

So in this example, the file /etc/vimrc depends on the vim package.

Requisite_in statements are the opposite, instead of saying "I depend on something", requisite_ins say "Someone depends on me":

```
vim:
    pkg.installed:
    - require_in:
    - file: /etc/vimrc

/etc/vimrc:
    file.managed:
    - source: salt://edit/vimrc
```

So here, with a requisite_in, the same thing is accomplished, but just from the other way around. The vim package is saying "/etc/vimrc depends on me".

In the end, a single dependency map is created and everything is executed in a finite and predictable order.

Note: Requisite matching

Requisites match on both the ID Declaration and the name parameter. This means that, in the example above, the require_in requisite would also have been matched if the /etc/vimrc state was written as follows:

```
vimrc:
   file.managed:
        - name: /etc/vimrc
        - source: salt://edit/vimrc
```

Requisite and Requisite in types

There are three requisite statements that can be used in Salt: the require, watch and use requisites. Each requisite also has a corresponding requisite_in: require_in, watch_in and use_in. All of the requisites define specific relationships and always work with the dependency logic defined above.

Require

The most basic requisite statement is require. The behavior of require is simple. Make sure that the dependent state is executed before the depending state, and if the dependent state fails, don't run the depending state. So in the above examples the file /etc/vimrc will only be applied after the vim package is installed and only if the vim package is installed successfully.

Require an entire sls file

As of Salt 0.16.0, it is possible to require an entire sls file. Do this by first including the sls file and then setting a state to require the included sls file.

```
include:
   - foo

bar:
   pkg.installed:
      - require:
      - sls: foo
```

Watch

The watch statement does everything the require statement does, but with a little more. The watch statement looks into the state modules for a function called mod_watch. If this function is not available in the corresponding state module, then watch does the same thing as require. If the mod_watch function is in the state module, then the watched state is checked to see if it made any changes to the system, if it has, then mod_watch is called.

Perhaps the best example of using watch is with a service.running state. When a service watches a state, then the service is reloaded/restarted when the watched state changes:

```
ntpd:
    service.running:
    - watch:
        - file: /etc/ntp.conf
file.managed:
        - name: /etc/ntp.conf
        - source: salt://ntp/files/ntp.conf
```

Prereq

The prereq requisite is a powerful requisite added in 0.16.0. This requisite allows for actions to be taken based on the expected results of a state that has not yet been executed. In more practical terms, a service can be shut down because the prereq knows that underlying code is going to be updated and the service should be off-line while the update occurs.

The motivation to add this requisite was to allow for routines to remove a system from a load balancer while code is being updated.

The prereq checks if the required state expects to have any changes by running the single state with test=True. If the pre-required state returns changes, then the state requiring it will execute.

```
graceful-down:
    cmd.run:
        - name: service apache graceful
        - prereq:
              - file: site-code

site-code:
    file.recurse:
              - name: /opt/site_code
              - source: salt://site/code
```

In this case the apache server will only be shutdown if the site-code state expects to deploy fresh code via the file.recurse call, and the site-code deployment will only be executed if the graceful-down run completes successfully.

Use

The use requisite is used to inherit the arguments passed in another id declaration. This is useful when many files need to have the same defaults.

```
/etc/foo.conf:
    file.managed:
        - source: salt://foo.conf
        - template: jinja
        - mkdirs: True
        - user: apache
        - group: apache
        - mode: 755

/etc/bar.conf
    file.managed:
        - source: salt://bar.conf
        - use:
              - file: /etc/foo.conf
```

The use statement was developed primarily for the networking states but can be used on any states in Salt. This made sense for the networking state because it can define a long list of options that need to be applied to multiple network interfaces.

The use statement does not inherit the requisites arguments of the targeted state. This means also a chain of use requisites would not inherit inherited options.

Require In

The require_in requisite is the literal reverse of require. If a state declaration needs to be required by another state declaration then require_in can accommodate it, so these two sls files would be the same in the end:

```
Using require
httpd:
  pkg:
    - installed
  service:
    - running
    - require:
      - pkg: httpd
Using require_in
httpd:
  pkg:
    - installed
    - require_in:
      - service: httpd
  service:
    - running
```

The require_in statement is particularly useful when assigning a require in a separate sls file. For instance it may be common for httpd to require components used to set up PHP or mod_python, but the HTTP state does not need to be aware of the additional components that require it when it is set up:

http.sls

```
httpd:
    pkg:
        - installed
    service:
        - running
        - require:
        - pkg: httpd

php.sls

include:
        - http

php:
    pkg:
        - installed
        - require_in:
        - service: httpd
```

mod_python.sls

```
include:
   - http

mod_python:
   pkg:
    - installed
    - require_in:
    - service: httpd
```

Now the httpd server will only start if php or mod_python are first verified to be installed. Thus allowing for a requisite to be defined "after the fact".

Watch In

Watch in functions the same as require in, but applies a watch statement rather than a require statement to the external state declaration.

Prereq In

The prereq_in requisite in follows the same assignment logic as the require_in requisite in. The prereq_in call simply assigns prereq to the state referenced. The above example for prereq can be modified to function in the same way using prereq_in:

20.24.13 Startup States

Sometimes it may be desired that the salt minion execute a state run when it is started. This alleviates the need for the master to initiate a state run on a new minion and can make provisioning much easier.

As of Salt 0.10.3 the minion config reads options that allow for states to be executed at startup. The options are *startup_states*, *sls_list* and *top_file*.

The *startup_states* option can be passed one of a number of arguments to define how to execute states. The available options are:

```
highstate Execute state.highstate
```

sls Read in the sls_list option and execute the named sls files

top Read in the top_file option and execute states based on that top file on the Salt Master

Examples:

Execute state.highstate when starting the minion:

```
startup_states: highstate
```

Execute the sls files *edit.vim* and *hyper*:

```
startup_states: sls
sls_list:
    edit.vim
    hyper
```

20.24.14 State Testing

Executing a Salt state run can potentially change many aspects of a system and it may be desirable to first see what a state run is going to change before applying the run.

Salt has a test interface to report on exactly what will be changed, this interface can be invoked on any of the major state run functions:

```
salt '*' state.highstate test=True
salt '*' state.sls test=True
salt '*' state.single test=True
```

The test run is mandated by adding the test=True option to the states. The return information will show states that will be applied in yellow and the result is reported as None.

Default Test

If the value test is set to True in the minion configuration file then states will default to being executed in test mode. If this value is set then states can still be run by calling test=False:

```
salt '*' state.highstate test=False
salt '*' state.sls test=False
salt '*' state.single test=False
```

20.24.15 The Top File

The top file is used to map what SLS modules get loaded onto what minions via the state system. The top file creates a few general abstractions. First it maps what nodes should pull from which environments, next it defines which matches systems should draw from.

Environments

Environments allow conceptually organizing state tree directories. Environments can be made to be self-contained or state trees can be made to bleed through environments.

Note: Environments in Salt are very flexible, this section defines how the top file can be used to define what states from what environments are to be used for specific minions.

If the intent is to bind minions to specific environments, then the *environment* option can be set in the minion configuration file.

The environments in the top file corresponds with the environments defined in the file_roots variable. In a simple, single environment setup you only have the base environment, and therefore only one state tree. Here is a simple example of file_roots in the master configuration:

```
file_roots:
   base:
     - /srv/salt
```

This means that the top file will only have one environment to pull from, here is a simple, single environment top file:

```
base:
    '*':
    - core
    - edit
```

This also means that /srv/salt has a state tree. But if you want to use multiple environments, or partition the file server to serve more than just the state tree, then the file_roots option can be expanded:

```
file_roots:
   base:
        - /srv/salt/base
   dev:
        - /srv/salt/dev
   qa:
        - /srv/salt/qa
   prod:
        - /srv/salt/prod
```

Then our top file could reference the environments:

```
dev:
    'webserver*dev*':
        - webserver
    'db*dev*':
        - db

qa:
    'webserver*qa*':
        - webserver
    'db*qa*':
        - db

prod:
    'webserver*prod*':
        - webserver
    'db*prod*':
        - db
```

In this setup we have state trees in three of the four environments, and no state tree in the base environment. Notice that the targets for the minions specify environment data. In Salt the master determines who is in what environment, and many environments can be crossed together. For instance, a separate global state tree could be added to the base environment if it suits your deployment:

```
base:
    '*':
    - global
dev:
    'webserver*dev*':
    - webserver
    'db*dev*':
    - db
qa:
```

```
'webserver*qa*':
    - webserver
'db*qa*':
    - db
prod:
    'webserver*prod*':
    - webserver
'db*prod*':
    - db
```

In this setup all systems will pull the global SLS from the base environment, as well as pull from their respective environments. If you assign only one SLS to a system, as in this example, a shorthand is also available:

```
base:
    '*': global
dev:
    'webserver*dev*': webserver
    'db*dev*': db
qa:
    'webserver*qa*': webserver
    'db*qa*': db
prod:
    'webserver*prod*': webserver
    'db*prod*': db
```

Note: The top files from all defined environments will be compiled into a single top file for all states. Top files are environment agnostic.

Remember, that since everything is a file in Salt, the environments are primarily file server environments, this means that environments that have nothing to do with states can be defined and used to distribute other files. A clean and recommended setup for multiple environments would look like this:

```
# Master file_roots configuration:
file_roots:
  base:
    - /srv/salt/base
  dev:
    - /srv/salt/dev
  qa:
    - /srv/salt/qa
  prod:
    - /srv/salt/prod
```

Then only place state trees in the dev, qa and prod environments, leaving the base environment open for generic file transfers. Then the top.sls file would look something like this:

```
dev:
    'webserver*dev*':
        - webserver
    'db*dev*':
        - db

qa:
    'webserver*qa*':
        - webserver
    'db*qa*':
        - db

prod:
    'webserver*prod*':
```

```
- webserver
'db*prod*':
   - db
```

Other Ways of Targeting Minions

In addition to globs, minions can be specified in top files a few other ways. Some common ones are *compound matches* and *node groups*.

Here is a slightly more complex top file example, showing the different types of matches you can perform:

```
base:
    ' *':
        - ldap-client
        - networking
        - salt.minion
    'salt-master*':
        - salt.master
    '^(memcache|web).(qa|prod).loc$':
        - match: pcre
        - nagios.mon.web
        - apache.server
    'os:Ubuntu':
        - match: grain
        - repos.ubuntu
    'os: (RedHat | CentOS)':
        - match: grain_pcre
        - repos.epel
    'foo,bar,baz':
        - match: list
        - database
    'somekey:abc':
        - match: pillar
        - xyz
    'nag1* or G@role:monitoring':
        - match: compound
        - nagios.server
```

In this example top.sls, all minions get the ldap-client, networking and salt.minion states. Any minion with an id matching the salt-master* glob will get the salt.master state. Any minion with ids matching the regular expression ^ (memcache|web) . (qa|prod) .loc\$ will get the nagios.mon.web and apache.server states. All Ubuntu minions will receive the repos.ubuntu state, while all RHEL and CentOS minions will receive the repos.epel state. The minions foo, bar, and baz will receive the database state. Any minion with a pillar named somekey, having a value of abc will receive the xyz state. Finally, minions with ids matching the nag1* glob or with a grain named role equal to monitoring will receive the nagios.server state.

How Top Files Are Compiled

As mentioned earlier, the top files in the different environments are compiled into a single set of data. The way in which this is done follows a few rules, which are important to understand when arranging top files in different environments. The examples below all assume that the file_roots are set as in the *above multi-environment example*.

1. The base environment's top file is processed first. Any environment which is defined in the base top.sls as well as another environment's top file, will use the instance of the environment configured in base and ignore all other instances. In other words, the base top file is authoritative when defining environments. Therefore, in the example below, the dev section in /srv/salt/dev/top.sls would be completely ignored.

```
/srv/salt/base/top.sls:
base:
  ' *' ·
    - common
dev:
  'webserver*dev*':
    - webserver
  'db*dev*':
    - db
/srv/salt/dev/top.sls:
dev.
  '10.10.100.0/24':
    - match: ipcidr
    - deployments.dev.site1
  '10.10.101.0/24':
    - match: ipcidr
    - deployments.dev.site2
```

Note: The rules below assume that the environments being discussed were not defined in the base top file.

2. If, for some reason, the base environment is not configured in the base environment's top file, then the other environments will be checked in alphabetical order. The first top file found to contain a section for the base environment wins, and the other top files' base sections are ignored. So, provided there is no base section in the base top file, with the below two top files the dev environment would win out, and the common.centos SLS would not be applied to CentOS hosts.

```
/srv/salt/dev/top.sls:
base:
  'os:Ubuntu':
    - common.ubuntu
dev:
  'webserver*dev*':
    - webserver
  'db*dev*':
    - db
/srv/salt/qa/top.sls:
base:
  'os:Ubuntu':
    - common.ubuntu
  'os:CentOS':
    - common.centos
qa:
```

```
'webserver*qa*':
   - webserver
'db*qa*':
   - db
```

3. For environments other than base, the top file in a given environment will be checked for a section matching the environment's name. If one is found, then it is used. Otherwise, the remaining (non-base) environments will be checked in alphabetical order. In the below example, the qa section in /srv/salt/dev/top.sls will be ignored, but if /srv/salt/qa/top.sls were cleared or removed, then the states configured for the qa environment in /srv/salt/dev/top.sls will be applied.

```
/srv/salt/dev/top.sls:
dev:
  'webserver*dev*':
    - webserver
  'db*dev*':
    - db
qa:
  '10.10.200.0/24':
    - match: ipcidr
    - deployments.qa.site1
  '10.10.201.0/24':
    - match: ipcidr
    - deployments.qa.site2
/srv/salt/qa/top.sls:
qa:
  'webserver*qa*':
    - webserver
  'db*qa*':
    - db
```

Note: When in doubt, the simplest way to configure your states is with a single top.sls in the base environment.

20.24.16 SLS Template Variable Reference

The template engines available to sls files and file templates come loaded with a number of context variables. These variables contain information and functions to assist in the generation of templates. See each variable below for its availability – not all variables are available in all templating contexts.

Salt

The *salt* variable is available to abstract the salt library functions. This variable is a python dictionary containing all of the functions available to the running salt minion. It is available in all salt templates.

```
{% for file in salt['cmd.run']('ls -1 /opt/to_remove').splitlines() %}
/opt/to_remove/{{ file }}:
    file.absent
{% endfor %}
```

Opts

The *opts* variable abstracts the contents of the minion's configuration file directly to the template. The *opts* variable is a dictionary. It is available in all templates.

```
{{ opts['cachedir'] }}
```

The config.get function also searches for values in the *opts* dictionary.

Pillar

The *pillar* dictionary can be referenced directly, and is available in all templates:

```
{{ pillar['key'] }}
```

Using the pillar.get function via the *salt* variable is generally recommended since a default can be safely set in the event that the value is not available in pillar and dictionaries can be traversed directly:

```
{{ salt['pillar.get']('key', 'failover_value') }}
{{ salt['pillar.get']('stuff:more:deeper') }}
```

Grains

The grains dictionary makes the minion's grains directly available, and is available in all templates:

```
{{ grains['os'] }}
```

The grains .get function can be used to traverse deeper grains and set defaults:

```
{{ salt['grains.get']('os') }}
```

env

The env variable is available in only in sls files when gathering the sls from an environment.

```
{{ env }}
```

sls

The *sls* variable contains the sls reference value, and is only available in the actual SLS file (not in any files referenced in that SLS). The sls reference value is the value used to include the sls in top files or via the include option.

```
{{ sls }}
```

20.24.17 State Modules

State Modules are the components that map to actual enforcement and management of Salt states.

States are Easy to Write!

State Modules should be easy to write and straightforward. The information passed to the SLS data structures will map directly to the states modules.

Mapping the information from the SLS data is simple, this example should illustrate:

```
/etc/salt/master: # maps to "name"
file: # maps to State module filename e.g. https://github.com/saltstack/salt/tree/develop/salt/sta
   - managed # maps to the managed function in the file State module
   - user: root # one of many options passed to the manage function
   - group: root
   - mode: 644
   - source: salt://salt/master
```

Therefore this SLS data can be directly linked to a module, function and arguments passed to that function.

This does issue the burden, that function names, state names and function arguments should be very human readable inside state modules, since they directly define the user interface.

Keyword Arguments

Salt passes a number of keyword arguments to states when rendering them, including the environment, a unique identifier for the state, and more. Additionally, keep in mind that the requisites for a state are part of the keyword arguments. Therefore, if you need to iterate through the keyword arguments in a state, these must be considered and handled appropriately. One such example is in the pkgrepo.managed state, which needs to be able to handle arbitrary keyword arguments and pass them to module execution functions. An example of how these keyword arguments can be handled can be found here.

Using Custom State Modules

Place your custom state modules inside a _states directory within the file_roots specified by the master config file. These custom state modules can then be distributed in a number of ways. Custom state modules are distributed when state.highstate is run, or by executing the saltutil.sync_states or saltutil.sync_all functions.

Any custom states which have been synced to a minion, that are named the same as one of Salt's default set of states, will take the place of the default state with the same name. Note that a state's default name is its filename (i.e. foo.py becomes state foo), but that its name can be overridden by using a __virtual__function.

Cross Calling Modules

As with Execution Modules, State Modules can also make use of the __salt__ and __grains__ data.

It is important to note that the real work of state management should not be done in the state module unless it is needed. A good example is the pkg state module. This module does not do any package management work, it just calls the pkg execution module. This makes the pkg state module completely generic, which is why there is only one pkg state module and many backend pkg execution modules.

On the other hand some modules will require that the logic be placed in the state module, a good example of this is the file module. But in the vast majority of cases this is not the best approach, and writing specific execution modules to do the backend work will be the optimal solution.

Return Data

A State Module must return a dict containing the following keys/values:

- name: The same value passed to the state as "name".
- **changes:** A dict describing the changes made. Each thing changed should be a key, with its value being another dict with keys called "old" and "new" containing the old/new values. For example, the pkg state's **changes** dict has one key for each package changed, with the "old" and "new" keys in its sub-dict containing the old and new versions of the package.
- **result:** A boolean value. *True* if the action was successful, otherwise *False*.
- comment: A string containing a summary of the result.

Test State

All states should check for and support test being passed in the options. This will return data about what changes would occur if the state were actually run. An example of such a check could look like this:

```
# Return comment of changes if test.
if __opts__['test']:
    ret['result'] = None
    ret['comment'] = 'State Foo will execute with param {0}'.format(bar)
    return ret
```

Make sure to test and return before performing any real actions on the minion.

Watcher Function

If the state being written should support the watch requisite then a watcher function needs to be declared. The watcher function is called whenever the watch requisite is invoked and should be generic to the behavior of the state itself.

The watcher function should accept all of the options that the normal state functions accept (as they will be passed into the watcher function).

A watcher function typically is used to execute state specific reactive behavior, for instance, the watcher for the service module restarts the named service and makes it useful for the watcher to make the service react to changes in the environment.

The watcher function also needs to return the same data that a normal state function returns.

Mod_init Interface

Some states need to execute something only once to ensure that an environment has been set up, or certain conditions global to the state behavior can be predefined. This is the realm of the mod_init interface.

A state module can have a function called **mod_init** which executes when the first state of this type is called. This interface was created primarily to improve the pkg state. When packages are installed the package metadata needs to be refreshed, but refreshing the package metadata every time a package is installed is wasteful. The mod_init function for the pkg state sets a flag down so that the first, and only the first, package installation attempt will refresh the package database (the package database can of course be manually called to refresh via the refresh option in the pkg state).

The mod_init function must accept the **Low State Data** for the given executing state as an argument. The low state data is a dict and can be seen by executing the state.show_lowstate function. Then the mod_init function must return a bool. If the return value is True, then the mod_init function will not be executed again, meaning that the needed behavior has been set up. Otherwise, if the mod_init function returns False, then the function will be called the next time.

A good example of the mod_init function is found in the pkg state module:

The mod_init function in the pkg state accepts the low state data as low and then checks to see if the function being called is going to install packages, if the function is not going to install packages then there is no need to refresh the package database. Therefore if the package database is prepared to refresh, then return True and the mod_init will not be called the next time a pkg state is evaluated, otherwise return False and the mod_init will be called next time a pkg state is evaluated.

20.24.18 State Management

State management, also frequently called Software Configuration Management (SCM), is a program that puts and keeps a system into a predetermined state. It installs software packages, starts or restarts services or puts configuration files in place and watches them for changes.

Having a state management system in place allows one to easily and reliably configure and manage a few servers or a few thousand servers. It allows configurations to be kept under version control.

Salt States is an extension of the Salt Modules that we discussed in the previous *remote execution* tutorial. Instead of calling one-off executions the state of a system can be easily defined and then enforced.

20.24.19 Understanding the Salt State System Components

The Salt state system is comprised of a number of components. As a user, an understanding of the SLS and renderer systems are needed. But as a developer, an understanding of Salt states and how to write the states is needed as well.

Note: States are compiled and executed only on minions that have been targeted. To execute functions directly on masters, see *runners*.

Salt SLS System

The primary system used by the Salt state system is the SLS system. SLS stands for SaLt State.

The Salt States are files which contain the information about how to configure Salt minions. The states are laid out in a directory tree and can be written in many different formats.

The contents of the files and they way they are laid out is intended to be as simple as possible while allowing for maximum flexibility. The files are laid out in states and contains information about how the minion needs to be configured.

SLS File Layout

SLS files are laid out in the Salt file server.

A simple layout can look like this:

```
top.sls
ssh.sls
sshd_config
users/init.sls
users/admin.sls
salt/master.sls
web/init.sls
```

The top.sls file is a key component. The top.sls files is used to determine which SLS files should be applied to which minions.

The rest of the files with the .sls extension in the above example are state files.

Files without a .sls extensions are seen by the Salt master as files that can be downloaded to a Salt minion.

States are translated into dot notation. For example, the ssh.sls file is seen as the ssh state and the users/admin.sls file is seen as the users.admin state.

Files named init.sls are translated to be the state name of the parent directory, so the web/init.sls file translates to the web state.

In Salt, everything is a file; there is no "magic translation" of files and file types. This means that a state file can be distributed to minions just like a plain text or binary file.

SLS Files

The Salt state files are simple sets of data. Since SLS files are just data they can be represented in a number of different ways.

The default format is YAML generated from a Jinja template. This allows for the states files to have all the language constructs of Python and the simplicity of YAML.

State files can then be complicated Jinja templates that translate down to YAML, or just plain and simple YAML files.

The State files are simply common data structures such as dictionaries and lists, constructed using a templating language such as YAML.

Here is an example of a Salt State:

```
vim:
 pkg:
    - installed
salt:
  pkq:
    - latest
  service.running:
    - require:
      - file: /etc/salt/minion
      - pkg: salt
    - names:
      - salt-master
      - salt-minion
    - watch:
      - file: /etc/salt/minion
/etc/salt/minion:
  file.managed:
```

This short stanza will ensure that vim is installed, Salt is installed and up to date, the salt-master and salt-minion daemons are running and the Salt minion configuration file is in place. It will also ensure everything is deployed in the right order and that the Salt services are restarted when the watched file updated.

The Top File

The top file controls the mapping between minions and the states which should be applied to them.

The top file specifies which minions should have which SLS files applied and which environments they should draw those SLS files from.

The top file works by specifying environments on the top-level.

Each environment contains globs to match minions. Finally, each glob contains a list of lists of Salt states to apply to matching minions:

```
base:
    '*':
    - salt
    - users
    - users.admin
    'saltmaster.*':
    - match: pcre
    - salt.master
```

This above example uses the base environment which is built into the default Salt setup.

The base environment has two globs. First, the '*' glob contains a list of SLS files to apply to all minions.

The second glob contains a regular expression that will match all minions with an ID matching saltmaster.* and specifies that for those minions, the salt.master state should be applied.

Reloading Modules

Some Salt states require that specific packages be installed in order for the module to load. As an example the pip state module requires the pip package for proper name and version parsing.

In most of the common cases, Salt is clever enough to transparently reload the modules. For example, if you install a package, Salt reloads modules because some other module or state might require just that package which was installed.

On some edge-cases salt might need to be told to reload the modules. Consider the following state file which we'll call pep8.sls:

```
python-pip:
   cmd:
     - run
     - cwd: /
     - name: easy_install --script-dir=/usr/bin -U pip

pep8:
   pip.installed
```

```
requires:
   - cmd: python-pip
```

The above example installs pip using easy_install from setuptools and installs pep8 using pip, which, as told earlier, requires pip to be installed system-wide. Let's execute this state:

```
salt-call state.sls pep8
```

The execution output would be something like:

If we executed the state again the output would be:

Since we installed pip using cmd, Salt has no way to know that a system-wide package was installed.

On the second execution, since the required pip package was installed, the state executed correctly.

Note: Salt does not reload modules on every state run because doing so would greatly slow down state execution.

So how do we solve this *edge-case*? reload_modules!

reload_modules is a boolean option recognized by salt on all available states which forces salt to reload its modules once a given state finishes.

The modified state file would now be:

```
python-pip:
    cmd:
        - run
        - cwd: /
        - name: easy_install --script-dir=/usr/bin -U pip
```

```
- reload_modules: true
pep8:
  pip.installed
  requires:
    - cmd: python-pip
Let's run it, once:
salt-call state.sls pep8
The output is:
    State: - pip
   Name: pep8
Function: installed
        Result: True
        Comment: Package was successfully installed
        Changes: pep8==1.4.6: Installed
Summary
Succeeded: 2
Failed: 0
Total: 2
```

20.25 Full list of builtin state modules

alias	Configuration of email aliases
alternatives	Configuration of the alternatives system
apt	Package management operations specific to APT- and DEB-based systems
archive	Archive states.
augeas	Configuration management using Augeas
aws_sqs	Manage SQS Queues
cloud	Using states instead of maps to deploy clouds ====================================
cmd	Execution of arbitrary commands
composer	Installation of Composer Packages
cron	Management of cron, the Unix command scheduler
ddns	Dynamic DNS updates
debconfmod	Management of debconf selections
disk	Disk monitoring state
dockerio	Manage Docker containers
eselect	Management of Gentoo configuration using eselect
file	Operations on regular files, special files, directories, and symlinks
gem	Installation of Ruby modules packaged as gems
git	Interaction with Git repositories
gnomedesktop	Configuration of the GNOME desktop
grains	Manage grains on the minion
group	Management of user groups
hg	Interaction with Mercurial repositories
host	Management of addresses and names in hosts file
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htpasswd	Support for htpasswd module
iptables	Management of iptables
keyboard	Management of keyboard layouts
keystone	Management of Keystone users
kmod	Loading and unloading of kernel modules
layman	Management of Gentoo Overlays using layman
libvirt	Manage libvirt certificates
locale	Management of languages/locales
lvm	Management of Linux logical volumes
lvs_server	Management of LVS(Linux Virtual Server) Real Server.
lvs_service	Management of LVS(Linux Virtual Server) Service.
makeconf	Management of Gentoo make.conf
mdadm	Managing software RAID with mdadm
memcached	States for Management of Memcached Keys
modjk_worker	Manage modjk workers
module	Execution of Salt modules from within states
mongodb_database	Management of Mongodb databases
mongodb_user	Management of Mongodb users
mount	Mounting of filesystems
mysql_database	Management of MySQL databases (schemas)
mysql_grants	Management of MySQL grants (user permissions)
mysql_user	Management of MySQL users
network	Configuration of network interfaces
npm	Installation of NPM Packages
ntp	Management of NTP servers
openstack_config	Manage OpenStack configuration file settings.
pagerduty	Create an Event in PagerDuty
pecl	Installation of PHP Extensions Using pecl
pip_state	Installation of Python Packages Using pip
pkg	Installation of packages using OS package managers such as yum or apt-get
pkgng	Manage package remote repo using FreeBSD pkgng
pkgrepo	Management of package repos
portage_config	Management of Portage package configuration on Gentoo
ports	Manage software from FreeBSD ports
postgres_database	Management of PostgreSQL databases
postgres_group	Management of PostgreSQL groups (roles)
postgres_user	Management of PostgreSQL users (roles)
postgres_extension	Management of PostgreSQL extensions (eg: postgis)
powerpath	Powerpath configuration support
process	Process Management
quota	Management of POSIX Quotas
rabbitmq_cluster	Manage RabbitMQ Clusters
rabbitmq_plugin	Manage RabbitMQ Plugins
rabbitmq_policy	Manage RabbitMQ Policies
rabbitmq_user	Manage RabbitMQ Users
rabbitmq_vhost	Manage RabbitMQ Virtual Hosts
rbenv	Managing Ruby installations with rbenv
rdp	Manage RDP Service on Windows servers
reg	Manage the registry on Windows
rvm	Managing Ruby installations and gemsets with Ruby Version Manager (RVM)
saltmod	Control the Salt command interface
selinux	Management of SELinux rules

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service	Starting or restarting of services and daemons
ssh_auth	Control of entries in SSH authorized_key files
ssh_known_hosts	Control of SSH known_hosts entries
stateconf	Stateconf System
status	Minion status monitoring
supervisord	Interaction with the Supervisor daemon
svn	Manage SVN repositories
sysctl	Configuration of the Linux kernel using sysctrl
timezone	Management of timezones
tomcat	This state uses the manager webapp to manage Apache tomcat webapps
user	Management of user accounts
virtualenv_mod	Setup of Python virtualenv sandboxes
win_dns_client	Module for configuring DNS Client on Windows systems
win_firewall	State for configuring Windows Firewall
win_network	Configuration of network interfaces on Windows hosts
win_path	Manage the Windows System PATH
win_servermanager	Manage Windows features via the ServerManager powershell module
win_system	Management of Windows system information
xmpp	Sending Messages over XMPP
zcbuildout	Management of zc.buildout

20.25.1 salt.states.alias

Configuration of email aliases

The mail aliases file can be managed to contain definitions for specific email aliases:

```
username:
    alias.present:
        - target: user@example.com

salt.states.alias.absent (name)
    Ensure that the named alias is absent
    name The alias to remove

salt.states.alias.present (name, target)
    Ensures that the named alias is present with the given target
    name The local user/address to assign an alias to
    target The forwarding address
```

20.25.2 salt.states.alternatives

Configuration of the alternatives system

Control the alternatives system

```
{% set my_hadoop_conf = '/opt/hadoop/conf' %}
{{ my_hadoop_conf }}:
  file.directory
```

```
hadoop-0.20-conf:
  alternatives.install:
     - name: hadoop-0.20-conf
     - link: /etc/hadoop-0.20/conf
     - path: {{ my_hadoop_conf }}
     - priority: 30
     - require:
       - file: {{ my_hadoop_conf }}
hadoop-0.20-conf:
  alternatives.remove:
       - name: hadoop-0.20-conf
       - path: {{ my_hadoop_conf }}
salt.states.alternatives.auto(name)
     New in version 0.17.0.
     Instruct alternatives to use the highest priority path for <name>
     name is the master name for this link group (e.g. pager)
salt.states.alternatives.install(name, link, path, priority)
     Install new alternative for defined <name>
     name is the master name for this link group (e.g. pager)
     link is the symlink pointing to /etc/alternatives/<name>. (e.g. /usr/bin/pager)
     path is the location of the new alternative target. NB: This file / directory must already exist. (e.g. /usr/bin/less)
     priority is an integer; options with higher numbers have higher priority in automatic mode.
salt.states.alternatives.remove(name, path)
     Removes installed alternative for defined <name> and <path> or fallback to default alternative, if some defined
     before.
     name is the master name for this link group (e.g. pager)
     path is the location of one of the alternative target files. (e.g. /usr/bin/less)
salt.states.alternatives.set (name, path)
     New in version 0.17.0.
     Sets alternative for <name> to <path>, if <path> is defined as an alternative for <name>.
     name is the master name for this link group (e.g. pager)
     path is the location of one of the alternative target files. (e.g. /usr/bin/less)
```

20.25.3 salt.states.apt

Package management operations specific to APT- and DEB-based systems

```
salt.states.apt.held(name)
Set package in 'hold' state, meaning it will not be upgraded.
name The name of the package, e.g., 'tmux'
```

20.25.4 salt.states.archive

Archive states.

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

```
salt.states.archive.extracted(name, source, archive_format, tar_options=None, source_hash=None, if_missing=None, keep=False)

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

State that make sure an archive is extracted in a directory. The downloaded archive is erased if successfully extracted. The archive is downloaded only if necessary.

```
graylog2-server:
  archive:
    - extracted
    - name: /opt/
    - source: https://github.com/downloads/Graylog2/graylog2-server/graylog2-server-0.9.6p1.tar.
    - source_hash: md5=499ae16dcae71eeb7c3a30c75ea7a1a6
    - tar_options: J
    - archive_format: tar
    - if_missing: /opt/graylog2-server-0.9.6p1/
graylog2-server:
  archive:
    - extracted
    - name: /opt/
    - source: https://github.com/downloads/Graylog2/graylog2-server/graylog2-server-0.9.6p1.tar.
    - source_hash: md5=499ae16dcae71eeb7c3a30c75ea7a1a6
    - archive_format: tar
    - if_missing: /opt/graylog2-server-0.9.6p1/
```

name Directory name where to extract the archive

source Archive source, same syntax as file.managed source argument.

```
archive_format tar, zip or rar
```

if_missing Some archive, such as tar, extract themself in a subfolder. This directive can be used to validate if the archive had been previously extracted.

tar_options Only used for tar format, it need to be the tar argument specific to this archive, such as 'J' for LZMA. Using this option means that the tar executable on the target will be used, which is less platform independent. If this option is not set, then the Python tarfile module is used. The tarfile module supports gzip and bz2 in Python 2.

20.25.5 salt.states.augeas

Configuration management using Augeas

New in version 0.17.0.

This state requires the augeas Python module.

Augeas can be used to manage configuration files. Currently only the set command is supported via this state. The augeas module also has support for get, match, remove, etc.

Warning: Minimal installations of Debian and Ubuntu have been seen to have packaging bugs with python-augeas, causing the augeas module to fail to import. If the minion has the augeas module installed, and the state fails with a comment saying that the state is unavailable, first restart the salt-minion service. If the problem persists past that, the following command can be run from the master to determine what is causing the import to fail:

```
salt minion-id cmd.run 'python -c "from augeas import Augeas"'
```

For affected Debian/Ubuntu hosts, installing libpython2.7 has been known to resolve the issue.

Usage examples:

1. Set the first entry in /etc/hosts to localhost:

2. Add a new host to /etc/hosts with the IP address 192.168.1.1 and hostname test:

```
hosts:
   augeas.setvalue:
    - changes:
    - /files/etc/hosts/2/ipaddr: 192.168.1.1
    - /files/etc/hosts/2/canonical: foo.bar.com
    - /files/etc/hosts/2/alias[1]: foosite
    - /files/etc/hosts/2/alias[2]: foo
```

A prefix can also be set, to avoid redundancy:

```
nginx-conf:
  augeas.setvalue:
    - prefix: /files/etc/nginx/nginx.conf
    - changes:
    - user: www-data
    - worker_processes: 2
    - http/server_tokens: off
    - http/keepalive_timeout: 65

salt.states.augeas.setvalue(name, prefix=None, changes=None, **kwargs)
    Set a value for a specific augeas path
```

20.25.6 salt.states.aws_sqs

Manage SQS Queues

Create and destroy SQS queues. Be aware that this interacts with Amazon's services, and so may incur charges.

This module uses the awscli tool provided by Amazon. This can be downloaded from pip. Also check the documentation for awscli for configuration information.

```
myqueue:
    aws_sqs.exists:
    - region: eu-west-1

salt.states.aws_sqs.absent (name, region, user=None, opts=False)
    Remove the named SQS queue if it exists.
```

```
name Name of the SQS queue.
region Region to remove the queue from
user Name of the user performing the SQS operations
opts Include additional arguments and options to the aws command line
salt.states.aws_sqs.exists (name, region, user=None, opts=False)
Ensure the SQS queue exists.
name Name of the SQS queue.
region Region to create the queue
user Name of the user performing the SQS operations
opts Include additional arguments and options to the aws command line
```

20.25.7 salt.states.cloud

Using states instead of maps to deploy clouds

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Use this minion to spin up a cloud instance:

```
my-ec2-instance:
   cloud.profile:
    my-ec2-config
```

salt.states.cloud.absent (name, onlyif=None, unless=None)

Ensure that no instances with the specified names exist.

CAUTION: This is a destructive state, which will search all configured cloud providers for the named instance, and destroy it.

name The name of the instance to destroy

onlyif Do run the state only if is unless succeed

unless Do not run the state at least unless succeed

```
salt.states.cloud.present (name, cloud_provider, onlyif=None, unless=None, **kwargs)
```

Spin up a single instance on a cloud provider, using salt-cloud. This state does not take a profile argument; rather, it takes the arguments that would normally be configured as part of the state.

Note that while this function does take any configuration argument that would normally be used to create an instance, it will not verify the state of any of those arguments on an existing instance. Stateful properties of an instance should be configured using their own individual state (i.e., cloud.tagged, cloud.untagged, etc).

name The name of the instance to create

cloud_provider The name of the cloud provider to use

onlyif Do run the state only if is unless succeed

unless Do not run the state at least unless succeed

```
salt.states.cloud.profile (name, profile, onlyif=None, unless=None, **kwargs)
```

Create a single instance on a cloud provider, using a salt-cloud profile.

Note that while profiles used this function do take any configuration argument that would normally be used to create an instance using a profile, this state will not verify the state of any of those arguments on an existing instance. Stateful properties of an instance should be configured using their own individual state (i.e., cloud.tagged, cloud.untagged, etc).

```
name The name of the instance to create
profile The name of the cloud profile to use
onlyif Do run the state only if is unless succeed
unless Do not run the state at least unless succeed
kwargs Any profile override or addition
salt.states.cloud.volume_absent (name, provider=None, **kwargs)
    Check that a block volume exists.
salt.states.cloud.volume_attached (name, server_name, provider=None, **kwargs)
    Check if a block volume is attached.
salt.states.cloud.volume_detached (name, server_name=None, provider=None, **kwargs)
    Check if a block volume is attached.
salt.states.cloud.volume_present (name, provider=None, **kwargs)
    Check that a block volume exists.
```

20.25.8 salt.states.cmd

Execution of arbitrary commands

The cmd state module manages the enforcement of executed commands, this state can tell a command to run under certain circumstances.

A simple example to execute a command:

```
date > /tmp/salt-run:
   cmd.run
```

Only run if another execution failed, in this case truncate syslog if there is no disk space:

```
> /var/log/messages:
  cmd.run:
  - unless: echo 'foo' > /tmp/.test
```

Only run if the file specified by creates does not exist, in this case touch /tmp/foo if it does not exist.

```
touch /tmp/foo:
  cmd.run:
  - creates: /tmp/foo
```

Note: The creates option is only supported in releases greater than or equal to 2014.1.0.

Note that when executing a command or script, the state (i.e., changed or not) of the command is unknown to Salt's state system. Therefore, by default, the cmd state assumes that any command execution results in a changed state.

This means that if a cmd state is watched by another state then the state that's watching will always be executed due to the *changed* state in the cmd state.

Many state functions in this module now also accept a stateful argument. If stateful is specified to be true then it is assumed that the command or script will determine its own state and communicate it back by following a simple protocol described below:

- 1. **If there's nothing in the stdout of the command, then assume no changes.** Otherwise, the stdout must be either in JSON or its *last* non-empty line must be a string of key=value pairs delimited by spaces (no spaces on either side of =).
- 2. If it's JSON then it must be a JSON object (e.g., {}). If it's key=value pairs then quoting may be used to include spaces. (Python's shlex module is used to parse the key=value string)

Two special keys or attributes are recognized in the output:

```
changed: bool (i.e., 'yes', 'no', 'true', 'false', case-insensitive) comment: str (i.e., any string)
```

So, only if changed is True then assume the command execution has changed the state, and any other key values or attributes in the output will be set as part of the changes.

3. If there's a comment then it will be used as the comment of the state.

Here's an example of how one might write a shell script for use with a stateful command:

```
#!/bin/bash
#
echo "Working hard..."

# writing the state line
echo # an empty line here so the next line will be the last.
echo "changed=yes comment='something has changed' whatever=123"
```

And an example SLS file using this module:

```
Run myscript:
  cmd.run:
    - name: /path/to/myscript
    - cwd: /
    - stateful: True

Run only if myscript changed something:
    cmd.wait:
    - name: echo hello
    - cwd: /
    - watch:
        - cmd: Run myscript
```

Note that if the cmd.wait state also specifies stateful: True it can then be watched by some other states as well.

cmd. wait is not restricted to watching only cmd states. For example it can also watch a git state for changes

```
# Watch for changes to a git repo and rebuild the project on updates
my-project:
    git.latest:
        - name: git@github.com/repo/foo
        - target: /opt/foo
        - rev: master
    cmd.wait:
        - name: make install
        - cwd: /opt/foo
```

```
- watch:
- git: my-project

Should I use cmd.run or cmd.wait?
```

These two states are often confused. The important thing to remember about them is that cmd.run states are run each time the SLS file that contains them is applied. If it is more desirable to have a command that only runs after some other state changes, then cmd.wait does just that. cmd.wait is designed to watch other states, and is executed when the state it is watching changes. Example:

How do I create a environment from a pillar map?

The map that comes from a pillar cannot be directly consumed by the env option. To use it one must convert it to a list. Example:

Invoke a pre-defined Python function with arguments specified in the state declaration. This function is mainly used by the salt.renderers.pydsl renderer.

The interpretation of onlyif and unless arguments are identical to those of cmd.run, and all other arguments(cwd, runas, ...) allowed by cmd.run are allowed here, except that their effects apply only to the commands specified in *onlyif* and *unless* rather than to the function to be invoked.

In addition, the stateful argument has no effects here.

The return value of the invoked function will be interpreted as follows.

If it's a dictionary then it will be passed through to the state system, which expects it to have the usual structure returned by any salt state function.

Otherwise, the return value (denoted as result in the code below) is expected to be a JSON serializable object, and this dictionary is returned:

```
{
    'name': name
    'changes': {'retval': result},
```

put_loglevel='info', quiet=False, timeout=None, **kwargs)
Run a command if certain circumstances are met. Use cmd.wait if you want to use the watch requisite.

name The command to execute, remember that the command will execute with the path and permissions of the salt-minion.

onlyif A command to run as a check, run the named command only if the command passed to the onlyif option returns true

unless A command to run as a check, only run the named command if the command passed to the unless option returns false

cwd The current working directory to execute the command in, defaults to /root

user The user name to run the command as

group The group context to run the command as

shell The shell to use for execution, defaults to the shell grain

env A list of environment variables to be set prior to execution. Example:

```
salt://scripts/foo.sh:
  cmd.script:
    - env:
    - BATCH: 'yes'
```

Warning: The above illustrates a common PyYAML pitfall, that **yes**, **no**, **on**, **off**, **true**, and **false** are all loaded as boolean True and False values, and must be enclosed in quotes to be used as strings. More info on this (and other) PyYAML idiosyncrasies can be found *here*.

stateful The command being executed is expected to return data about executing a state

umask The umask (in octal) to use when running the command.

output_loglevel Control the loglevel at which the output from the command is logged. Note that the command being run will still be logged at loglevel INFO regardless, unless quiet is used for this value.

quiet The command will be executed quietly, meaning no log entries of the actual command or its return data. This is deprecated as of the **2014.1.0** (**Hydrogen**) release, and is being replaced with output_loglevel: quiet.

timeout If the command has not terminated after timeout seconds, send the subprocess sigterm, and if sigterm is ignored, follow up with sigkill

creates Only run if the file specified by creates does not exist.

New in version Helium.

Note: cmd.run supports the usage of reload_modules. This functionality allows you to force Salt to reload all modules. You should only use reload_modules if your cmd.run does some sort of installation (such as pip), if you do not reload the modules future items in your state which rely on the software being installed will fail.

```
getpip:
  cmd.run:
    - name: /usr/bin/python /usr/local/sbin/get-pip.py
    - unless: which pip
    - require:
        - pkg: python
        - file: /usr/local/sbin/get-pip.py
        - reload_modules: True
```

salt.states.cmd.script (name, source=None, template=None, onlyif=None, unless=None, creates=None, cwd=None, user=None, group=None, shell=None, env=None,
stateful=False, umask=None, timeout=None, **kwargs)

Download a script and execute it with specified arguments.

source The location of the script to download. If the file is located on the master in the directory named spam, and is called eggs, the source string is salt://spam/eggs

template If this setting is applied then the named templating engine will be used to render the downloaded file. Currently jinja, mako, and wempy are supported

name Either "cmd arg1 arg2 arg3..." (cmd is not used) or a source "salt://...".

onlyif Run the named command only if the command passed to the onlyif option returns true

unless Run the named command only if the command passed to the unless option returns false

cwd The current working directory to execute the command in, defaults to /root

user The name of the user to run the command as

group The group context to run the command as

shell The shell to use for execution. The default is set in grains['shell']

env A list of environment variables to be set prior to execution. Example:

```
salt://scripts/foo.sh:
    cmd.script:
    - env:
    - BATCH: 'yes'
```

Warning: The above illustrates a common PyYAML pitfall, that **yes**, **no**, **on**, **off**, **true**, and **false** are all loaded as boolean True and False values, and must be enclosed in quotes to be used as strings. More info on this (and other) PyYAML idiosyncrasies can be found *here*.

umask The umask (in octal) to use when running the command.

stateful The command being executed is expected to return data about executing a state

timeout If the command has not terminated after timeout seconds, send the subprocess sigterm, and if sigterm is ignored, follow up with sigkill

args String of command line args to pass to the script. Only used if no args are specified as part of the *name* argument. To pass a string containing spaces in YAML, you will need to doubly-quote it: "arg1 'arg two' arg3"

creates Only run if the file specified by creates does not exist.

New in version Helium.

name The command to execute, remember that the command will execute with the path and permissions of the salt-minion.

onlyif A command to run as a check, run the named command only if the command passed to the onlyif option returns true

unless A command to run as a check, only run the named command if the command passed to the unless option returns false

cwd The current working directory to execute the command in, defaults to /root

user The user name to run the command as

group The group context to run the command as

shell The shell to use for execution, defaults to /bin/sh

env A list of environment variables to be set prior to execution. Example:

```
salt://scripts/foo.sh:
  cmd.script:
    - env:
    - BATCH: 'yes'
```

Warning: The above illustrates a common PyYAML pitfall, that **yes**, **no**, **on**, **off**, **true**, and **false** are all loaded as boolean True and False values, and must be enclosed in quotes to be used as strings. More info on this (and other) PyYAML idiosyncrasies can be found *here*.

umask The umask (in octal) to use when running the command.

stateful The command being executed is expected to return data about executing a state

creates Only run if the file specified by creates does not exist.

New in version Helium.

```
salt.states.cmd.wait_call (name, func, args=(), kws=None, onlyif=None, unless=None, cre-
ates=None, stateful=False, **kwargs)
```

Download a script from a remote source and execute it only if a watch statement calls it.

source The source script being downloaded to the minion, this source script is hosted on the salt master server. If the file is located on the master in the directory named spam, and is called eggs, the source string is salt://spam/eggs

template If this setting is applied then the named templating engine will be used to render the downloaded file, currently jinja, mako, and wempy are supported

name The command to execute, remember that the command will execute with the path and permissions of the salt-minion.

onlyif A command to run as a check, run the named command only if the command passed to the onlyif option returns true

unless A command to run as a check, only run the named command if the command passed to the unless option returns false

cwd The current working directory to execute the command in, defaults to /root

user The user name to run the command as

group The group context to run the command as

shell The shell to use for execution, defaults to the shell grain

env A list of environment variables to be set prior to execution. Example:

```
salt://scripts/foo.sh:
  cmd.script:
    - env:
    - BATCH: 'yes'
```

Warning: The above illustrates a common PyYAML pitfall, that **yes**, **no**, **on**, **off**, **true**, and **false** are all loaded as boolean True and False values, and must be enclosed in quotes to be used as strings. More info on this (and other) PyYAML idiosyncrasies can be found *here*.

umask The umask (in octal) to use when running the command.

stateful The command being executed is expected to return data about executing a state

20.25.9 salt.states.composer

Installation of Composer Packages

These states manage the installed packages for composer for PHP. Note that either composer is installed and accessible via a bin directory or you can pass the location of composer in the state.

```
get-composer:
  cmd.run:
    - name: 'CURL='which curl'; $CURL -sS https://getcomposer.org/installer | php'
    - unless: test -f /usr/local/bin/composer
    - cwd: /root/
install-composer:
  cmd.wait:
    - name: mv /root/composer.phar /usr/local/bin/composer
    - cwd: /root/
    - watch:
      - cmd: get-composer
/path/to/project:
  composer.installed:
    - no_dev: true
    - require:
      - cmd: install-composer
# Without composer installed in your PATH
/path/to/composer:
  composer.installed:
    - composer: /path/to/composer.phar
    - php: /usr/local/bin/php
    - no_dev: true
```

```
salt.states.composer.installed(name, composer=None, php=None, runas=None, pre-
                                         fer_source=None,
                                                               prefer dist=None,
                                                                                    no_scripts=None,
                                          no plugins=None, optimize=None, no dev=None,
                                          poser_home='/root')
     Verify that composer has installed the latest packages give a composer.json and composer.lock file in
     a directory.
     dir Directory location of the composer.json file.
     composer Location of the composer.phar file. If not set composer will just execute "composer" as if it is
          installed globally. (i.e. /path/to/composer.phar)
     php Location of the php executible to use with composer. (i.e. /usr/bin/php)
     runas Which system user to run composer as.
     prefer_source -prefer-source option of composer.
     prefer_dist -prefer-dist option of composer.
     no_scripts –no-scripts option of composer.
     no_plugins –no-plugins option of composer.
     optimize –optimize-autoloader option of composer. Recommended for production.
     no dev –no-dev option for composer. Recommended for production.
     quiet -quiet option for composer. Whether or not to return output from composer.
     composer_home $COMPOSER_HOME environment variable
```

20.25.10 salt.states.cron

Management of cron, the Unix command scheduler

Cron declarations require a number of parameters. The following are the parameters used by Salt to define the various timing values for a cron job:

- minute
- hour
- daymonth
- month
- dayweek (0 to 6 are Sunday through Saturday, 7 can also be used for Sunday)

Warning: Any timing arguments not specified take a value of *. This means that setting hour to 5, while not defining the minute param, will result in Salt adding a job that will execute every minute between 5 and 6 A.M.! Additionally, the default user for these states is root. Therefore, if the cron job is for another user, it is necessary to specify that user with the user parameter.

A long time ago (before 2014.2), when making changes to an existing cron job, the name declaration is the parameter used to uniquely identify the job, so if an existing cron that looks like this:

```
date > /tmp/crontest:
    cron.present:
    - user: root
    - minute: 5
```

Is changed to this:

```
date > /tmp/crontest:
    cron.present:
    - user: root
    - minute: 7
    - hour: 2
```

Then the existing cron will be updated, but if the cron command is changed, then a new cron job will be added to the user's crontab.

The current behavior is still relying on that mechanism, but you can also specify an identifier to identify your crontabs: .. versionadded:: 2014.2 .. code-block:: yaml

date > /tmp/crontest:

cron.present:

· identifier: SUPERCRON

user: rootminute: 7hour: 2

And, some months later, you modify it: .. versionadded:: 2014.2 .. code-block:: yaml

superscript > /tmp/crontest:

cron.present:

· identifier: SUPERCRON

user: rootminute: 3hour: 4

The old **date > /tmp/crontest** will be replaced by **superscript > /tmp/crontest**.

Additionally, Salt also supports running a cron every \times minutes very similarly to the Unix convention of using */5 to have a job run every five minutes. In Salt, this looks like:

```
date > /tmp/crontest:
    cron.present:
    - user: root
    - minute: '*/5'
```

The job will now run every 5 minutes.

Additionally, the temporal parameters (minute, hour, etc.) can be randomized by using random instead of using a specific value. For example, by using the random keyword in the minute parameter of a cron state, the same cron job can be pushed to hundreds or thousands of hosts, and they would each use a randomly-generated minute. This can be helpful when the cron job accesses a network resource, and it is not desirable for all hosts to run the job concurrently.

```
/path/to/cron/script:
    cron.present:
    - user: root
    - minute: random
    - hour: 2
```

New in version 0.16.0.

Since Salt assumes a value of * for unspecified temporal parameters, adding a parameter to the state and setting it to random will change that value from * to a randomized numeric value. However, if that field in the cron entry on the minion already contains a numeric value, then using the random keyword will not modify it.

salt.states.cron.absent (name, user='root', identifier=None, **kwargs)

Verifies that the specified cron job is absent for the specified user; only the name is matched when removing a cron job.

name The command that should be absent in the user crontab.

user The name of the user whose crontab needs to be modified, defaults to the root user

identifier Custom-defined identifier for tracking the cron line for future crontab edits. This defaults to the state id

salt.states.cron.env_absent (name, user='root')

Verifies that the specified environment variable is absent from the crontab for the specified user

name The name of the environment variable to remove from the user crontab

user The name of the user whose crontab needs to be modified, defaults to the root user

salt.states.cron.env_present(name, value=None, user='root')

Verifies that the specified environment variable is present in the crontab for the specified user.

name The name of the environment variable to set in the user crontab

user The name of the user whose crontab needs to be modified, defaults to the root user

value The value to set for the given environment variable

```
salt.states.cron.file(name, source_hash='', user='root', template=None, context=None, re-
place=True, defaults=None, env=None, backup='', **kwargs)
```

Provides file.managed-like functionality (templating, etc.) for a pre-made crontab file, to be assigned to a given user.

name The source file to be used as the crontab. This source file can be hosted on either the salt master server, or on an HTTP or FTP server. For files hosted on the salt file server, if the file is located on the master in the directory named spam, and is called eggs, the source string is salt://spam/eggs.

If the file is hosted on a HTTP or FTP server then the source_hash argument is also required

source_hash This can be either a file which contains a source hash string for the source, or a source hash string. The source hash string is the hash algorithm followed by the hash of the file: md5=e138491e9d5b97023cea823fe17bac22

user The user to whom the crontab should be assigned. This defaults to root.

template If this setting is applied then the named templating engine will be used to render the downloaded file. Currently, jinja and mako are supported.

context Overrides default context variables passed to the template.

replace If the crontab should be replaced, if False then this command will be ignored if a crontab exists for the specified user. Default is True.

defaults Default context passed to the template.

backup Overrides the default backup mode for the user's crontab.

Verifies that the specified cron job is present for the specified user. For more advanced information about what

exactly can be set in the cron timing parameters, check your cron system's documentation. Most Unix-like systems' cron documentation can be found via the crontab man page: man 5 crontab.

name The command that should be executed by the cron job.

user The name of the user whose crontab needs to be modified, defaults to the root user

minute The information to be set into the minute section, this can be any string supported by your cron system's the minute field. Default is *

hour The information to be set in the hour section. Default is *

daymonth The information to be set in the day of month section. Default is *

month The information to be set in the month section. Default is *

dayweek The information to be set in the day of week section. Default is *

comment User comment to be added on line previous the cron job

identifier Custom-defined identifier for tracking the cron line for future crontab edits. This defaults to the state id

20.25.11 salt.states.ddns

Dynamic DNS updates

webserver:

Ensure a DNS record is present or absent utilizing RFC 2136 type dynamic updates. Requires dnspython module.

rdtype DNS resource type. Default 'A'.

20.25.12 salt.states.debconfmod

Management of debconf selections

The debconfmod state module manages the enforcement of debconf selections, this state can set those selections prior to package installation.

Available Functions

The debconfmod state has two functions, the set and set_file functions

set Set debconf selections from the state itself

set file Set debconf selections from a file

Note: Due to how PyYAML imports nested dicts (see *here*), the values in the data dict must be indented four spaces instead of two.

name: The package name to set answers for.

data: A set of questions/answers for debconf. Note that everything under this must be indented twice.

question: The question the is being pre-answered

type: The type of question that is being asked (string, boolean, select, etc.)

value: The answer to the question

```
salt.states.debconfmod.set_file (name, source, **kwargs)
Set debconf selections from a file

<state_id>:
    debconf.set_file:
        - source: salt://pathto/pkg.selections

<state_id>:
    debconf.set_file:
        - source: salt://pathto/pkg.selections?saltenv=myenvironment
```

source: The location of the file containing the package selections

20.25.13 salt.states.disk

Disk monitoring state

Monitor the state of disk resources

salt.states.disk.status(name, maximum=None, minimum=None)
Return the current disk usage stats for the named device

20.25.14 salt.states.dockerio

Manage Docker containers

Docker is a lightweight, portable, self-sufficient software container wrapper. The base supported wrapper type is LXC, cgroups, and the Linux Kernel.

Warning: This state module is beta. The API is subject to change. No promise as to performance or functionality is yet present.

Note: This state module requires docker-py which supports Docker Remote API version 1.6.

Available Functions

• built

installed

docker.pulled

· running

```
my_service:
     docker.running:
          - container: mysuperdocker
          - port_bindings:
              "5000/tcp":
                  HostIp: ""
                  HostPort: "5000"

    absent

 mys_old_uperdocker:
    docker.absent
• run
 /finish-install.sh:
      docker.run:
          - container: mysuperdocker
          - unless: grep -q something /var/log/foo
          - docker_unless: grep -q done /install_log
```

Note: The docker modules are named *dockerio* because the name 'docker' would conflict with the underlying docker-py library.

We should add magic to all methods to also match containers by name now that the 'naming link' stuff has been merged in docker. This applies for example to:

- running
- absent
- run

```
salt.states.dockerio.absent (name)
     Ensure that the container is absent; if not, it will will be killed and destroyed. (docker inspect)
     name: Either the container name or id
salt.states.dockerio.built(name.
                                           path=None,
                                                         quiet=False,
                                                                        nocache=False.
                                                                                         rm=True.
                                   force=False, timeout=None, *args, **kwargs)
     Build a docker image from a path or URL to a dockerfile. (docker build)
     name Tag of the image
     path URL (e.g. url/branch/docker dir/dockerfile) or filesystem path to the dockerfile
salt.states.dockerio.installed(name, image, command=None, hostname=None, user=None,
                                         detach=True, stdin_open=False, tty=False, mem_limit=0,
                                         ports=None, environment=None, dns=None, volumes=None,
                                         volumes_from=None, *args, **kwargs)
```

Ensure that a container with the given name exists; if not, build a new container from the specified image.

image Image from which to build this container

name Name for the container

environment

(docker run)

Environment variables for the container, either

· a mapping of key, values

• a list of mappings of key values

ports

List of ports definitions, either:

- · a port to map
- a mapping of mapping portInHost: PortInContainer

volumes List of volumes

For other parameters, see absolutely first the salt.modules.dockerio execution module and the docker-py python bindings for docker documentation https://github.com/dotcloud/docker-py#api for docker.create _container.

Note: This command does not verify that the named container is running the specified image.

```
salt.states.dockerio.mod_watch (name, sfun=None, *args, **kw)

salt.states.dockerio.present (name)

If a container with the given name is not present, this state will fail. (docker inspect)

name: container id

salt.states.dockerio.pulled (name, force=False, *args, **kwargs)

Pull an image from a docker registry. (docker pull)

Note: See first the documentation for docker login, docker pull, docker push, and docker.import_image (docker import). NOTE that We added saltack a way to identify yourself via pillar, see in the salt.modules.dockerio
```

name Tag of the image

force Pull even if the image is already pulled

execution module how to ident yourself via the pillar.

Run a command in a specific container

You can match by either name or hostname

name command to run in the container

cid Container id

state id state id

stateful stateful mode

onlyif Only execute cmd if statement on the host returns 0

unless Do not execute cmd if statement on the host returns 0

docked onlyif Only execute cmd if statement in the container returns 0

docked_unless Do not execute cmd if statement in the container returns 0

Ensure that a container is running. (docker inspect)

name name of the service

```
container name of the container to start
```

binds like -v of docker run command

```
- binds:
    - /var/log/service: /var/log/service
```

publish_all_ports

links Link several container together

```
- links:
    name_other_container: alias_for_other_container
```

port_bindings

List of ports to expose on host system

• a mapping port's guest, hostname's host and port's host.

```
- port_bindings:
    "5000/tcp":
        HostIp: ""
        HostPort: "5000"
```

```
salt.states.dockerio.script(*args, **kw)
```

Placeholder function for a cmd.script alike.

```
Note: Not yet implemented. Its implementation might be very similar from salt.states.dokcerio.run
```

20.25.15 salt.states.eselect

Management of Gentoo configuration using eselect

A state module to manage Gentoo configuration via eselect

name The name of the module

20.25.16 salt.states.file

Operations on regular files, special files, directories, and symlinks

Salt States can aggressively manipulate files on a system. There are a number of ways in which files can be managed.

Regular files can be enforced with the managed function. This function downloads files from the salt master and places them on the target system. The downloaded files can be rendered as a jinja, mako, or wempy template, adding a dynamic component to file management. An example of file.managed which makes use of the jinja templating system would look like this:

Note: When using both the defaults and context arguments, note the extra indentation (four spaces instead of the normal two). This is due to an idiosyncrasy of how PyYAML loads nested dictionaries, and is explained in greater detail *here*.

If using a template, any user-defined template variables in the file defined in source must be passed in using the defaults and/or context arguments. The general best practice is to place default values in defaults, with conditional overrides going into context, as seen above.

The source parameter can be specified as a list. If this is done, then the first file to be matched will be the one that is used. This allows you to have a default file on which to fall back if the desired file does not exist on the salt fileserver. Here's an example:

```
/etc/foo.conf:
    file.managed:
        - source:
             - salt://foo.conf.{{ grains['fqdn'] }}
              - salt://foo.conf.fallback
              - user: foo
              - group: users
              - mode: 644
              - backup: minion
```

Note: Salt supports backing up managed files via the backup option. For more details on this functionality please review the *backup_mode documentation*.

The source parameter can also specify a file in another Salt environment. In this example foo.conf in the dev environment will be used instead.

```
/etc/foo.conf:
    file.managed:
        - source:
             - salt://foo.conf?saltenv=dev
             - user: foo
             - group: users
             - mode: '0644'
```

Warning: When using a mode that includes a leading zero you must wrap the value in single quotes. If the value is not wrapped in quotes it will be read by YAML as an integer and evaluated as an octal.

Special files can be managed via the mknod function. This function will create and enforce the permissions on a special file. The function supports the creation of character devices, block devices, and fifo pipes. The function will

create the directory structure up to the special file if it is needed on the minion. The function will not overwrite or operate on (change major/minor numbers) existing special files with the exception of user, group, and permissions. In most cases the creation of some special files require root permissions on the minion. This would require that the minion to be run as the root user. Here is an example of a character device:

```
/var/named/chroot/dev/random:
    file.mknod:
        - ntype: c
        - major: 1
        - minor: 8
        - user: named
        - group: named
        - mode: 660
```

Here is an example of a block device:

Here is an example of a fifo pipe:

Directories can be managed via the directory function. This function can create and enforce the permissions on a directory. A directory statement will look like this:

```
/srv/stuff/substuf:
file.directory:
- user: fred
- group: users
- mode: 755
- makedirs: True
```

If you need to enforce user and/or group ownership or permissions recursively on the directory's contents, you can do so by adding a recurse directive:

```
/srv/stuff/substuf:
file.directory:
- user: fred
- group: users
- mode: 755
- makedirs: True
- recurse:
- user
- group
- mode
```

As a default, mode will resolve to dir_mode and file_mode, to specify both directory and file permissions, use this form:

```
/srv/stuff/substuf:
file.directory:
- user: fred
- group: users
- file_mode: 744
- dir_mode: 755
- makedirs: True
- recurse:
- user
- group
- mode
```

Symlinks can be easily created; the symlink function is very simple and only takes a few arguments:

```
/etc/grub.conf:
   file.symlink:
     - target: /boot/grub/grub.conf
```

Recursive directory management can also be set via the recurse function. Recursive directory management allows for a directory on the salt master to be recursively copied down to the minion. This is a great tool for deploying large code and configuration systems. A state using recurse would look something like this:

```
/opt/code/flask:
  file.recurse:
    - source: salt://code/flask
    - include_empty: True
```

A more complex recurse example:

```
{% set site_user = 'testuser' %}
{% set site_name = 'test_site' %}
{% set project_name = 'test_proj' %}
{% set sites_dir = 'test_dir' %}

django-project:
    file.recurse:
        - name: {{ sites_dir }}/{{ site_name }}/{{ project_name }}}
        - user: {{ site_user }}
        - dir_mode: 2775
        - file_mode: '0644'
        - template: jinja
        - source: salt://project/templates_dir
        - include_empty: True

salt.states.file.absent (name)
```

Make sure that the named file or directory is absent. If it exists, it will be deleted. This will work to reverse any of the functions in the file state module.

name The path which should be deleted

```
salt.states.file.accumulated(name, filename, text, **kwargs)
```

Prepare accumulator which can be used in template in file.managed state. Accumulator dictionary becomes available in template. It can also be used in file.blockreplace.

name Accumulator name

filename Filename which would receive this accumulator (see file.managed state documentation about name)

text String or list for adding in accumulator

require_in / watch_in One of them required for sure we fill up accumulator before we manage the file. Probably the same as filename

Example:

Given the following:

```
animals_doing_things:
    file.accumulated:
        - filename: /tmp/animal_file.txt
        - text: ' jumps over the lazy dog.'
        - require_in:
              - file: animal_file

animal_file:
    file.managed:
        - name: /tmp/animal_file.txt
        - source: salt://animal_file.txt
        - template: jinja
```

One might write a template for animal_file.txt like the following:

```
The quick brown fox{% for animal in accumulator['animals_doing_things'] %}{{ animal }}{% endfor
```

Collectively, the above states and template file will produce:

```
The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.
```

Multiple accumulators can be "chained" together.

Note: The 'accumulator' data structure is a Python dictionary. Do not expect any loop over the keys in a deterministic order!

Ensure that some text appears at the end of a file

The text will not be appended again if it already exists in the file. You may specify a single line of text or a list of lines to append.

Multi-line example:

Multiple lines of text:

```
/etc/motd:
    file.append:
        - text:
            - Trust no one unless you have eaten much salt with him.
            - "Salt is born of the purest of parents: the sun and the sea."
```

Gather text from multiple template files:

New in version 0.9.5.

```
salt.states.file.blockreplace(name, marker_start='#— start managed zone --', marker_end='#— end managed zone --', content='-', append_if_not_found=False, prepend_if_not_found=False, backup='.bak', show changes=True)
```

Maintain an edit in a file in a zone delimited by two line markers

New in version 2014.1.0.

A block of content delimited by comments can help you manage several lines entries without worrying about old entries removal. This can help you maintaining an un-managed file containing manual edits. Note: this function will store two copies of the file in-memory (the original version and the edited version) in order to detect changes and only edit the targeted file if necessary.

Parameters

- name Filesystem path to the file to be edited
- marker_start The line content identifying a line as the start of the content block. Note that the whole line containing this marker will be considered, so whitespaces or extra content before or after the marker is included in final output
- marker_end The line content identifying a line as the end of the content block. Note that the whole line containing this marker will be considered, so whitespaces or extra content before or after the marker is included in final output. Note: you can use file.accumulated and target this state. All accumulated data dictionaries content will be added as new lines in the content.
- **content** The content to be used between the two lines identified by marker_start and marker_stop.
- append_if_not_found False by default, if markers are not found and set to True then the markers and content will be appended to the file
- **prepend_if_not_found** False by default, if markers are not found and set to True then the markers and content will be prepended to the file
- **backup** The file extension to use for a backup of the file if any edit is made. Set to False to skip making a backup.
- **dry_run** Don't make any edits to the file
- **show_changes** Output a unified diff of the old file and the new file. If False return a boolean if any changes were made.

Return type

bool or str

Example of usage with an accumulator and with a variable:

```
{% set myvar = 42 %}
            hosts-config-block-{{ myvar }}:
              file.blockreplace:
                 - name: /etc/hosts
                 - marker_start: "# START managed zone {{ myvar }} -DO-NOT-EDIT-"
                 - marker_end: "# END managed zone {{ myvar }} --"
                 - content: 'First line of content'
                 - append_if_not_found: True
                 - backup: '.bak'
                 - show_changes: True
            hosts-config-block-{{ myvar }}-accumulated1:
              file.accumulated:
                 - filename: /etc/hosts
                - name: my-accumulator-{{ myvar }}
                 - text: "text 2"
                 - require_in:
                   - file: hosts-config-block-{{ myvar }}
            hosts-config-block-{{ myvar }}-accumulated2:
               file.accumulated:
                 - filename: /etc/hosts
                 - name: my-accumulator-{{ myvar }}
                 - text: |
                      text 3
                      text 4
                 - require_in:
                   - file: hosts-config-block-{{ myvar }}
    will generate and maintain a block of content in /etc/hosts:
     # START managed zone 42 -DO-NOT-EDIT-
    First line of content
    text 2
    text 3
    text 4
     # END managed zone 42 --
salt.states.file.comment(name, regex, char='#', backup='.bak')
    Comment out specified lines in a file.
```

name The full path to the file to be edited

regex A regular expression used to find the lines that are to be commented; this pattern will be wrapped in parenthesis and will move any preceding/trailing ^ or \$ characters outside the parenthesis (e.g., the pattern ^foo\$ will be rewritten as ^ (foo) \$) Note that you _need_ the leading ^, otherwise each time you run highstate, another comment char will be inserted.

char [#] The character to be inserted at the beginning of a line in order to comment it out

backup [.bak] The file will be backed up before edit with this file extension

Warning: This backup will be overwritten each time sed / comment / uncomment is called. Meaning the backup will only be useful after the first invocation.

Usage:

```
/etc/fstab:
  file.comment:
```

```
- regex: ^bind 127.0.0.1
```

New in version 0.9.5.

```
salt.states.file.copy (name, source, force=False, makedirs=False)
```

If the source file exists on the system, copy it to the named file. The named file will not be overwritten if it already exists unless the force option is set to True.

name The location of the file to copy to

source The location of the file to copy to the location specified with name

force If the target location is present then the file will not be moved, specify "force: True" to overwrite the target file

makedirs If the target subdirectories don't exist create them

Ensure that a named directory is present and has the right perms

name The location to create or manage a directory

user The user to own the directory; this defaults to the user salt is running as on the minion

group The group ownership set for the directory; this defaults to the group salt is running as on the minion

recurse Enforce user/group ownership and mode of directory recursively. Accepts a list of strings representing what you would like to recurse. Example:

```
/var/log/httpd:
file.directory:
- user: root
- group: root
- dir_mode: 755
- file_mode: 644
- recurse:
- user
- group
- mode
```

dir_mode / mode The permissions mode to set any directories created.

file_mode The permissions mode to set any files created if 'mode' is ran in 'recurse'. This defaults to dir_mode.

makedirs If the directory is located in a path without a parent directory, then the state will fail. If makedirs is set to True, then the parent directories will be created to facilitate the creation of the named file.

clean Make sure that only files that are set up by salt and required by this function are kept. If this option is set then everything in this directory will be deleted unless it is required.

require Require other resources such as packages or files

exclude_pat When 'clean' is set to True, exclude this pattern from removal list and preserve in the destination.

```
salt.states.file.exists(name)
```

Verify that the named file or directory is present or exists. Ensures pre-requisites outside of Salt's purview (e.g., keytabs, private keys, etc.) have been previously satisfied before deployment.

name Absolute path which must exist

```
salt.states.file.managed(name, source=None, source_hash='', user=None, group=None, mode=None, template=None, makedirs=False, dir_mode=None, context=None, replace=True, defaults=None, env=None, backup='', show_diff=True, create=True, contents=None, contents_pillar=None, **kwargs)
```

Manage a given file, this function allows for a file to be downloaded from the salt master and potentially run through a templating system.

name The location of the file to manage

source The source file to download to the minion, this source file can be hosted on either the salt master server, or on an HTTP or FTP server. Both HTTPS and HTTP are supported as well as downloading directly from Amazon S3 compatible URLs with both pre-configured and automatic IAM credentials. (see s3.get state documentation) For files hosted on the salt file server, if the file is located on the master in the directory named spam, and is called eggs, the source string is salt://spam/eggs. If source is left blank or None (use ~ in YAML), the file will be created as an empty file and the content will not be managed

If the file is hosted on a HTTP or FTP server then the source_hash argument is also required

source_hash

This can be one of the following:

- 1. a source hash string
- 2. the URI of a file that contains source hash strings

The function accepts the first encountered long unbroken alphanumeric string of correct length as a valid hash, in order from most secure to least secure:

Type	Length
=====	=====
sha512	128
sha384	96
sha256	64
sha224	56
sha1	40
md5	32

The file can contain several checksums for several files. Each line must contain both the file name and the hash. If no file name is matched, the first hash encountered will be used, otherwise the most secure hash with the correct source file name will be used.

Debian file type * . dsc is supported.

Examples:

```
/etc/rc.conf ef6e82e4006dee563d98ada2a2a80a27 sha254c8525aee419eb649f0233be91c151178b30f0dff8ebbdcc8de71b1d5c8bcc06a /etc/resolv.conf ead48423703509d37c4a90e6a0d53e143b6fc268
```

Known issues: If the remote server URL has the hash file as an apparent sub-directory of the source file, the module will discover that it has already cached a directory where a file should be cached. For example:

```
tomdroid-src-0.7.3.tar.gz:
    file.managed:
        - name: /tmp/tomdroid-src-0.7.3.tar.gz
        - source: https://launchpad.net/tomdroid/beta/0.7.3/+download/tomdroid-src-0.7.3.tar
        - source_hash: https://launchpad.net/tomdroid/beta/0.7.3/+download/tomdroid-src-0.7.
```

user The user to own the file, this defaults to the user salt is running as on the minion

group The group ownership set for the file, this defaults to the group salt is running as on the minion

mode The permissions to set on this file, aka 644, 0775, 4664

template If this setting is applied then the named templating engine will be used to render the downloaded file, currently jinja, mako, and wempy are supported

makedirs If the file is located in a path without a parent directory, then the state will fail. If makedirs is set to True, then the parent directories will be created to facilitate the creation of the named file.

dir_mode If directories are to be created, passing this option specifies the permissions for those directories. If this is not set, directories will be assigned permissions from the 'mode' argument.

replace If this file should be replaced. If false, this command will not overwrite file contents but will enforce permissions if the file exists already. Default is True.

context Overrides default context variables passed to the template.

defaults Default context passed to the template.

backup Overrides the default backup mode for this specific file.

show diff If set to False, the diff will not be shown.

create Default is True, if create is set to False then the file will only be managed if the file already exists on the system.

contents Default is None. If specified, will use the given string as the contents of the file. Should not be used in conjunction with a source file of any kind. Ignores hashes and does not use a templating engine.

contents_pillar New in version 0.17.0.

Operates like contents, but draws from a value stored in pillar, using the pillar path syntax used in pillar.get. This is useful when the pillar value contains newlines, as referencing a pillar variable using a jinja/mako template can result in YAML formatting issues due to the newlines causing indentation mismatches.

For example, the following could be used to deploy an SSH private key:

```
/home/deployer/.ssh/id_rsa:
    file.managed:
        - user: deployer
        - group: deployer
        - mode: 600
        - contents_pillar: userdata:deployer:id_rsa
```

This would populate /home/deployer/.ssh/id_rsa with the contents of pillar['userdata']['deployer']['id_rsa']. An example of this pillar setup would be like so:

```
userdata:
    deployer:
    id_rsa: |
        ----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY----
    MIIEowIBAAKCAQEAoQiwO3JhBquPAalQF9qP1lLZNXVjYMIswrMe2HcWUVBgh+vY
        U7sCwx/dH6+VvNwmCoqmNnP+8gTPKGl1vgAObJAnMT623dMXjVKwnEagZPRJIxDy
        B/HaAre9euNiY3LvIzBTWRSeMfT+rWvIKVBpvwlgGrfgz70m0pqxu+UyFbAGLin+
        GpxzZAMaFpZw4sSbIlRuissXZj/sHpQb8p9M5IeO4Z3rjkCP1cxI
        ----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
```

Note: The private key above is shortened to keep the example brief, but shows how to do multiline string

in YAML. The key is followed by a pipe character, and the mutliline string is indented two more spaces.

```
salt.states.file.missing(name)
```

Verify that the named file or directory is missing, this returns True only if the named file is missing but does not remove the file if it is present.

name Absolute path which must NOT exist

```
Salt.states.file.mknod (name, ntype, major=0, minor=0, user=None, group=None, mode='0600')

Create a special file similar to the 'nix mknod command. The supported device types are p (fifo pipe), c (character device), and b (block device). Provide the major and minor numbers when specifying a character device or block device. A fifo pipe does not require this information. The command will create the necessary dirs if needed. If a file of the same name not of the same type/major/minor exists, it will not be overwritten or unlinked (deleted). This is logically in place as a safety measure because you can really shoot yourself in the foot here and it is the behavior of 'nix mknod. It is also important to note that not just anyone can create special devices. Usually this is only done as root. If the state is executed as none other than root on a minion, you may
```

name name of the file

ntype node type 'p' (fifo pipe), 'c' (character device), or 'b' (block device)

major major number of the device does not apply to a fifo pipe

minor minor number of the device does not apply to a fifo pipe

user owning user of the device/pipe

group owning group of the device/pipe

mode permissions on the device/pipe

Usage:

```
/dev/chr:
   file.mknod:
     - ntype: c
     - major: 180
     - minor: 31
     - user: root
     - group: root
     - mode: 660
 /dev/blk:
   file.mknod:
     - ntype: b
     - major: 8
     - minor: 999
     - user: root
     - group: root
     - mode: 660
/dev/fifo:
  file.mknod:
    - ntype: p
    - user: root
    - group: root
    - mode: 660
```

New in version 0.17.0.

Apply a patch to a file. Note: a suitable patch executable must be available on the minion when using this state function.

name The file to with the patch will be applied.

source The source patch to download to the minion, this source file must be hosted on the salt master server. If the file is located in the directory named spam, and is called eggs, the source string is salt://spam/eggs. A source is required.

hash Hash of the patched file. If the hash of the target file matches this value then the patch is assumed to have been applied. The hash string is the hash algorithm followed by the hash of the file: md5=e138491e9d5b97023cea823fe17bac22

options Extra options to pass to patch.

dry_run_first [True] Run patch with --dry-run first to check if it will apply cleanly.

env Specify the environment from which to retrieve the patch file indicated by the source parameter. If not provided, this defaults to the environment from which the state is being executed.

Usage:

```
# Equivalent to 'patch --forward /opt/file.txt file.patch'
/opt/file.txt:
    file.patch:
        - source: salt://file.patch
        - hash: md5=e138491e9d5b97023cea823fe17bac22
```

salt.states.file.recurse (name, source, clean=False, require=None, user=None, group=None, dir_mode=None, file_mode=None, sym_mode=None, template=None, context=None, defaults=None, env=None, include_empty=False, backup='', include_pat=None, exclude_pat=None, maxdepth=None, keep_symlinks=False, force_symlinks=False, **kwargs)

Recurse through a subdirectory on the master and copy said subdirectory over to the specified path.

name The directory to set the recursion in

source The source directory, this directory is located on the salt master file server and is specified with the salt:// protocol. If the directory is located on the master in the directory named spam, and is called eggs, the source string is salt://spam/eggs

clean Make sure that only files that are set up by salt and required by this function are kept. If this option is set then everything in this directory will be deleted unless it is required.

require Require other resources such as packages or files

user The user to own the directory. This defaults to the user salt is running as on the minion

group The group ownership set for the directory. This defaults to the group salt is running as on the minion

dir_mode The permissions mode to set on any directories created

file_mode The permissions mode to set on any files created

sym_mode The permissions mode to set on any symlink created

template If this setting is applied then the named templating engine will be used to render the downloaded file. Supported templates are: *jinja*, *mako* and *wempy*.

Note: The template option is required when recursively applying templates.

context Overrides default context variables passed to the template.

defaults Default context passed to the template.

include_empty Set this to True if empty directories should also be created (default is False)

include_pat When copying, include only this pattern from the source. Default is glob match; if prefixed with 'E@', then regexp match. Example:

exclude_pat Exclude this pattern from the source when copying. If both *include_pat* and *exclude_pat* are supplied, then it will apply conditions cumulatively. i.e. first select based on include_pat, and then within that result apply exclude_pat.

Also, when 'clean=True', exclude this pattern from the removal list and preserve in the destination. Example:

maxdepth When copying, only copy paths which are of depth *maxdepth* from the source path. Example:

```
    maxdepth: 0 :: Only include files located in the source directory
    maxdepth: 1 :: Only include files located in the source or immediate subdirectories
```

keep_symlinks Keep symlinks when copying from the source. This option will cause the copy operation to terminate at the symlink. If desire behavior similar to rsync, then set this to True.

force_symlinks Force symlink creation. This option will force the symlink creation. If a file or directory is obstructing symlink creation it will be recursively removed so that symlink creation can proceed. This option is usually not needed except in special circumstances.

```
salt.states.file.rename(name, source, force=False, makedirs=False)
```

If the source file exists on the system, rename it to the named file. The named file will not be overwritten if it already exists unless the force option is set to True.

name The location of the file to rename to

source The location of the file to move to the location specified with name

force If the target location is present then the file will not be moved, specify "force: True" to overwrite the target file

makedirs If the target subdirectories don't exist create them

```
salt.states.file.\textbf{replace} (name, pattern, repl, count=0, flags=0, bufsize=1, append\_if\_not\_found=False, prepend\_if\_not\_found=False, not\_found\_content=None, backup='.bak', show\_changes=True)
```

Maintain an edit in a file

New in version 0.17.0.

Params are identical to replace().

Deprecated since version 0.17.0: Use replace() instead.

Maintain a simple edit to a file

The file will be searched for the before pattern before making the edit. In general the limit pattern should be as specific as possible and before and after should contain the minimal text to be changed.

before A pattern that should exist in the file before the edit.

after A pattern that should exist in the file after the edit.

limit An optional second pattern that can limit the scope of the before pattern.

backup ['.bak'] The extension for the backed-up version of the file before the edit. If no backups is desired, pass in the empty string: ''

options [-r -e] Any options to pass to the sed command. -r uses extended regular expression syntax and -e denotes that what follows is an expression that sed will execute.

flags [g] Any flags to append to the sed expression. g specifies the edit should be made globally (and not stop after the first replacement).

negate_match [False] Negate the search command (!)

New in version 0.17.0.

Usage:

```
# Disable the epel repo by default
/etc/yum.repos.d/epel.repo:
    file.sed:
        - before: 1
        - after: 0
        - limit: ^enabled=

# Remove ldap from nsswitch
/etc/nsswitch.conf:
    file.sed:
        - before: 'ldap'
        - after: ''
        - limit: '^passwd:'
```

New in version 0.9.5.

Serializes dataset and store it into managed file. Useful for sharing simple configuration files.

name The location of the file to create

dataset the dataset that will be serialized

formatter Write the data as this format. Supported output formats:

- JSON
- YAML
- Python (via pprint.pformat)

user The user to own the directory, this defaults to the user salt is running as on the minion

group The group ownership set for the directory, this defaults to the group salt is running as on the minion

mode The permissions to set on this file, aka 644, 0775, 4664

backup Overrides the default backup mode for this specific file.

show diff If set to False, the diff will not be shown.

create Default is True, if create is set to False then the file will only be managed if the file already exists on the system.

For example, this state:

```
/etc/dummy/package.json:
      file.serialize:
         - dataset:
             name: naive
             description: A package using naive versioning
             author: A confused individual <iam@confused.com>
             dependencies:
                 express: >= 1.2.0
                 optimist: >= 0.1.0
             engine: node 0.4.1
         - formatter: json
    will manages the file /etc/dummy/package.json:
       "author": "A confused individual <iam@confused.com>",
       "dependencies": {
         "express": ">= 1.2.0",
         "optimist": ">= 0.1.0"
       "description": "A package using naive versioning",
       "engine": "node 0.4.1"
       "name": "naive",
salt.states.file.symlink(name, target, force=False, backupname=None,
                                                                        makedirs=False,
                             user=None, group=None, mode=None, **kwargs)
```

Create a symlink

If the file already exists and is a symlink pointing to any location other than the specified target, the symlink will be replaced. If the symlink is a regular file or directory then the state will return False. If the regular file or directory is desired to be replaced with a symlink pass force: True, if it is to be renamed, pass a backupname.

name The location of the symlink to create

target The location that the symlink points to

force If the name of the symlink exists and is not a symlink and force is set to False, the state will fail. If force is set to True, the file or directory in the way of the symlink file will be deleted to make room for the symlink, unless backupname is set, when it will be renamed

backupname If the name of the symlink exists and is not a symlink, it will be renamed to the backupname. If the backupname already exists and force is False, the state will fail. Otherwise, the backupname will be removed first.

makedirs If the location of the symlink does not already have a parent directory then the state will fail, setting makedirs to True will allow Salt to create the parent directory

```
salt.states.file.touch (name, atime=None, mtime=None, makedirs=False)
```

Replicate the 'nix "touch" command to create a new empty file or update the atime and mtime of an existing file.

Note that if you just want to create a file and don't care about atime or mtime, you should use file.managed instead, as it is more feature-complete. (Just leave out the source/template/contents arguments, and it will just create the file and/or check its permissions, without messing with contents)

name name of the fileatime atime of the filemtime mtime of the file

makedirs whether we should create the parent directory/directories in order to touch the file

Usage:

```
/var/log/httpd/logrotate.empty:
   file.touch
```

New in version 0.9.5.

```
salt.states.file.uncomment (name, regex, char='#', backup='.bak')
```

Uncomment specified commented lines in a file

name The full path to the file to be edited

regex A regular expression used to find the lines that are to be uncommented. This regex should not include the comment character. A leading ^ character will be stripped for convenience (for easily switching between comment() and uncomment()). The regex will be searched for from the beginning of the line, ignoring leading spaces (we prepend '^[t]*')

char [#] The character to remove in order to uncomment a line

backup [.bak] The file will be backed up before edit with this file extension; **WARNING:** each time sed/comment/uncomment is called will overwrite this backup

Usage:

```
/etc/adduser.conf:
    file.uncomment:
        - regex: EXTRA_GROUPS
```

New in version 0.9.5.

20.25.17 salt.states.gem

Installation of Ruby modules packaged as gems

A state module to manage rubygems. Gems can be set up to be installed or removed. This module will use RVM if it is installed. In that case, you can specify what ruby version and gemset to target.

runas: None The user under which to run the gem command

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user: None The user under which to run the gem command

New in version 0.17.0.

version [None] Specify the version to install for the gem. Doesn't play nice with multiple gems at once

rdoc [False] Generate RDoc documentation for the gem(s).

ri [False] Generate RI documentation for the gem(s).

salt.states.gem.removed (name, ruby=None, runas=None, user=None)
Make sure that a gem is not installed.

name The name of the gem to uninstall

ruby: None For RVM installations: the ruby version and gemset to target.

runas: None The user under which to run the gem command

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user: None The user under which to run the gem command

New in version 0.17.0.

20.25.18 salt.states.git

Interaction with Git repositories

Important: Before using git over ssh, make sure your remote host fingerprint exists in "~/.ssh/known_hosts" file. To avoid requiring password authentication, it is also possible to pass private keys to use explicitly.

```
https://github.com/saltstack/salt.git:
    git.latest:
    - rev: develop
    - target: /tmp/salt
salt.states.git.latest(name, rev=None, target)
```

Make sure the repository is cloned to the given directory and is up to date

name Address of the remote repository as passed to "git clone"

rev The remote branch, tag, or revision ID to checkout after clone / before update

target Name of the target directory where repository is about to be cloned

runas Name of the user performing repository management operations

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user Name of the user performing repository management operations

New in version 0.17.0.

force Force git to clone into pre-existing directories (deletes contents)

force_checkout Force a checkout even if there might be overwritten changes (Default: False)

submodules Update submodules on clone or branch change (Default: False)

mirror True if the repository is to be a mirror of the remote repository. This implies bare, and thus is incompatible with rev.

bare True if the repository is to be a bare clone of the remote repository. This is incompatible with rev, as nothing will be checked out.

remote_name defines a different remote name. For the first clone the given name is set to the default remote, else it is just a additional remote. (Default: 'origin')

always_fetch If a tag or branch name is used as the rev a fetch will not occur until the tag or branch name changes. Setting this to true will force a fetch to occur. Only applies when rev is set. (Default: False)

identity A path to a private key to use over SSH

onlyif A command to run as a check, run the named command only if the command passed to the onlyif option returns true

unless A command to run as a check, only run the named command if the command passed to the unless option returns false

salt.states.git.present (name, bare=True, runas=None, user=None, force=False)
Make sure the repository is present in the given directory

name Name of the directory where the repository is about to be created

bare Create a bare repository (Default: True)

runas Name of the user performing repository management operations

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user Name of the user performing repository management operations

New in version 0.17.0.

force Force-create a new repository into an pre-existing non-git directory (deletes contents)

20.25.19 salt.states.gnomedesktop

Configuration of the GNOME desktop

Control the GNOME settings

```
localdesktop_wm_prefs:
    gnomedesktop.wm_preferences:
        - user: username
        - audible_bell: false
        - action_double_click_titlebar: 'toggle-maximize'
        - visual_bell: true
        - num_workspaces: 6
localdesktop_lockdown:
    gnomedesktop.desktop_lockdown:
        - user: username
        - disable_user_switching: true
localdesktop_interface:
    gnomedesktop.desktop_interface:
        - user: username
        - clock_show_date: true
        - clock_show_format: 12h
```

```
salt.states.gnomedesktop.desktop_interface(name,
                                                                        user=None,
                                                                                             auto-
                                                        matic mnemonics=None,
                                                        buttons have icons=None,
                                                        can_change_accels=None,
                                                        clock_format=None, clock_show_date=None,
                                                        clock show seconds=None,
                                                        sor blink=None.
                                                                          cursor blink time=None,
                                                        cursor_blink_timeout=None,
                                                                                              cur-
                                                        sor size=None,
                                                                               cursor_theme=None,
                                                        document_font_name=None,
                                                        enable_animations=None,
                                                        font_name=None,
                                                                           gtk_color_palette=None,
                                                        gtk_color_scheme=None,
                                                        gtk_im_module=None,
                                                        gtk_im_preedit_style=None,
                                                        gtk_im_status_style=None,
                                                        gtk_key_theme=None,
                                                                                  gtk_theme=None,
                                                        gtk timeout initial=None,
                                                        gtk_timeout_repeat=None,
                                                        icon theme=None,
                                                                             menubar accel=None,
                                                        menubar_detachable=None,
                                                        menus have icons=None,
                                                        menus_have_tearoff=None,
                                                        monospace font name=None,
                                                        show_input_method_menu=None,
                                                        show unicode menu=None,
                                                        text_scaling_factor=None,
                                                                                             tool-
                                                        bar_detachable=None,
                                                                                             tool-
                                                        bar_icons_size=None,
                                                                               toolbar_style=None,
                                                        toolkit_accessibility=None, **kwargs)
     desktop_interface: sets values in the org.gnome.desktop.interface schema
salt.states.gnomedesktop.desktop_lockdown(name,
                                                                        user=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       able_application_handlers=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       disable_command_line=None,
                                                       able_lock_screen=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       able_log_out=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       able_print_setup=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       able printing=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       able_save_to_disk=None,
                                                                                              dis-
                                                       able user switching=None,
                                                       user_administration_disabled=None,
                                                       **kwargs)
     desktop_lockdown: sets values in the org.gnome.desktop.lockdown schema
```

```
salt.states.gnomedesktop.wm_preferences(name,
                                                                      user=None,
                                                                                              ac-
                                                    tion_double_click_titlebar=None,
                                                                                              ac-
                                                    tion middle click titlebar=None,
                                                                                              ac-
                                                    tion_right_click_titlebar=None,
                                                                                         applica-
                                                    tion based=None,
                                                                               audible bell=None,
                                                    auto raise=None,
                                                                           auto raise delay=None,
                                                    button layout=None, disable workarounds=None,
                                                    focus_mode=None, focus_new_windows=None,
                                                    mouse button modifier=None,
                                                    num_workspaces=None, raise_on_click=None, re-
                                                    size_with_right_button=None, theme=None, title-
                                                    bar_font=None, titlebar_uses_system_font=None,
                                                    visual_bell=None,
                                                                            visual_bell_type=None,
                                                    workspace_names=None, **kwargs)
```

wm_preferences: sets values in the org.gnome.desktop.wm.preferences schema

20.25.20 salt.states.grains

Manage grains on the minion

This state allows for grains to be set. Grains set or altered this way are stored in the 'grains' file on the minions, by default at: /etc/salt/grains

```
Note: This does NOT override any grains set in the minion file.
```

```
salt.states.grains.list_absent (name, value)
Ensure the value is absent in the list type grain
```

name The grain name

value The value is absent in the list type grain

The grain should be list type.

```
roles:
    grains.list_absent:
        - value: db
```

salt.states.grains.list_present (name, value)

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Ensure the value is present in the list type grain

name The grain name

value The value is present in the list type grain

The grain should be list type.

```
roles:
    grains.list_present:
    - value: web
```

salt.states.grains.present (name, value)

Ensure that a grain is set

name The grain name

value The value to set on the grain

If the grain with the given name exists, its value is updated to the new value. If the grain does not yet exist, a new grain is set to the given value.

```
cheese:
   grains.present:
     - value: edam
```

20.25.21 salt.states.group

Management of user groups

The group module is used to create and manage unix group settings, groups can be either present or absent:

```
cheese:
  group.present:
    - gid: 7648
    - system: True
    - addusers:
       - user1
       - users2
     - delusers:
       - foo
cheese:
  group.present:
    - gid: 7648
    - system: True
     - members:
       - foo
       - bar
       - user1
       - user2
salt.states.group.absent(name)
     Ensure that the named group is absent
     name The name of the group to remove
salt.states.group.present (name, gid=None, system=False, addusers=None, delusers=None, mem-
                                  bers=None)
     Ensure that a group is present
     name The name of the group to manage
     gid The group id to assign to the named group; if left empty, then the next available group id will be assigned
     system Whether or not the named group is a system group. This is essentially the '-r' option of 'groupadd'.
     addusers List of additional users to be added as a group members.
     delusers Ensure these user are removed from the group membership.
     members Replace existing group members with a list of new members.
```

Note: Options 'members' and 'addusers/delusers' are mutually exclusive and can not be used together.

20.25.22 salt.states.hg

Interaction with Mercurial repositories

Before using hg over ssh, make sure the remote host fingerprint already exists in ~/.ssh/known_hosts, and the remote host has this host's public key.

```
https://bitbucket.org/example_user/example_repo:
    hg.latest:
       - rev: tip
       - target: /tmp/example_repo
salt.states.hg.latest(name, rev=None, target=None, clean=False, runas=None, user=None,
                              force=False, opts=False)
     Make sure the repository is cloned to the given directory and is up to date
     name Address of the remote repository as passed to "hg clone"
     rev The remote branch, tag, or revision hash to clone/pull
     target Name of the target directory where repository is about to be cloned
     clean Force a clean update with -C (Default: False)
     runas Name of the user performing repository management operations
          Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user Name of the user performing repository management operations
     force Force hg to clone into pre-existing directories (deletes contents)
     opts Include additional arguments and options to the hg command line
```

20.25.23 salt.states.host

Management of addresses and names in hosts file

The /etc/hosts file can be managed to contain definitions for specific hosts:

```
salt-master:
  host.present:
    - ip: 192.168.0.42
```

Or using the "names:" directive, you can put several names for the same IP. (Do not try one name with space-separated values).

```
server1:
  host.present:
    - ip: 192.168.0.42
    - names:
     - server1
     - florida
```

NOTE: changing the name(s) in the present() function does not cause an update to remove the old entry.

```
Ensure that the named host is absent

name The host to remove

ip The ip addr of the host to remove
```

```
salt.states.host.present (name, ip)
Ensures that the named host is present with the given ip
name The host to assign an ip to
ip The ip addr to apply to the host
```

20.25.24 salt.states.htpasswd

Support for htpasswd module

New in version Helium.

20.25.25 salt.states.iptables

Management of iptables

This is an iptables-specific module designed to manage Linux firewalls. It is expected that this state module, and other system-specific firewall states, may at some point be deprecated in favor of a more generic *firewall* state.

```
httpd:
  iptables.append:
    - table: filter
    - chain: INPUT
    - jump: ACCEPT
    - match: state
    - connstate: NEW
    - dport: 80
    - proto: tcp
    - sport: 1025:65535
    - save: True
httpd:
  iptables.append:
    - table: filter
    - family: ipv6
    - chain: INPUT
    - jump: ACCEPT
```

```
- match: state
    - connstate: NEW
    - dport: 80
    - proto: tcp
    - sport: 1025:65535
    - save: True
httpd:
  iptables.insert:
    - position: 1
    - table: filter
    - chain: INPUT
    - jump: ACCEPT
    - match: state
    - connstate: NEW
    - dport: 80
    - proto: tcp
    - sport: 1025:65535
    - save: True
httpd:
  iptables.insert:
    - position: 1
    - table: filter
    - family: ipv6
    - chain: INPUT
    - jump: ACCEPT
    - match: state
    - connstate: NEW
    - dport: 80
    - proto: tcp
    - sport: 1025:65535
    - save: True
httpd:
  iptables.delete:
    - table: filter
    - chain: INPUT
    - jump: ACCEPT
    - match: state
    - connstate: NEW
    - dport: 80
    - proto: tcp
    - sport: 1025:65535
    - save: True
httpd:
  iptables.delete:
    - position: 1
    - table: filter
    - chain: INPUT
    - jump: ACCEPT
    - match: state
    - connstate: NEW
    - dport: 80
    - proto: tcp
    - sport: 1025:65535
    - save: True
```

```
httpd:
  iptables.delete:
    - table: filter
     - family: ipv6
     - chain: INPUT
     - jump: ACCEPT
     - match: state
     - connstate: NEW
     - dport: 80
     - proto: tcp
     - sport: 1025:65535
     - save: True
salt.states.iptables.append(name, family='ipv4', **kwargs)
     New in version 0.17.0.
     Append a rule to a chain
     name A user-defined name to call this rule by in another part of a state or formula. This should not be an actual
     family Network family, ipv4 or ipv6.
     All other arguments are passed in with the same name as the long option that would normally be used for
     iptables, with one exception: -state is specified as connstate instead of state (not to be confused with ctstate).
salt.states.iptables.chain_absent (name, table='filter', family='ipv4')
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Verify the chain is absent.
     family Networking family, either ipv4 or ipv6
salt.states.iptables.chain_present (name, table='filter', family='ipv4')
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Verify the chain is exist.
     name A user-defined chain name.
     table The table to own the chain.
     family Networking family, either ipv4 or ipv6
salt.states.iptables.delete(name, family='ipv4', **kwargs)
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Delete a rule to a chain
     name A user-defined name to call this rule by in another part of a state or formula. This should not be an actual
     family Networking family, either ipv4 or ipv6
     All other arguments are passed in with the same name as the long option that would normally be used for
     iptables, with one exception: -state is specified as connstate instead of state (not to be confused with ctstate).
salt.states.iptables.flush(name, family='ipv4', **kwargs)
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
     Flush current iptables state
     family Networking family, either ipv4 or ipv6
```

```
salt.states.iptables.insert (name, family='ipv4', **kwargs)
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Insert a rule into a chain

name A user-defined name to call this rule by in another part of a state or formula. This should not be an actual

family Networking family, either ipv4 or ipv6

All other arguments are passed in with the same name as the long option that would normally be used for iptables, with one exception: -state is specified as connstate instead of state (not to be confused with ctstate).

```
salt.states.iptables.set_policy (name, family='ipv4', **kwargs)
     New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Sets the default policy for iptables firewall tables

family Networking family, either ipv4 or ipv6

20.25.26 salt.states.keyboard

Management of keyboard layouts

The keyboard layout can be managed for the system:

```
keyboard.system
```

```
Or it can be managed for XOrg:
us:
  keyboard.xorg
salt.states.keyboard.system(name)
     Set the keyboard layout for the system
     name The keyboard layout to use
salt.states.keyboard.xorg(name)
     Set the keyboard layout for XOrg
     layout The keyboard layout to use
```

20.25.27 salt.states.keystone

Management of Keystone users

depends

· keystoneclient Python module

configuration See salt.modules.keystone for setup instructions.

```
Keystone tenants:
  keystone.tenant_present:
    - names:
      - admin
      - demo
      - service
```

```
Keystone roles:
  keystone.role_present:
    - names:
      - admin
      - Member
admin:
  keystone.user_present:
    - password: R00T_4CC3SS
    - email: admin@domain.com
    - roles:
      - admin: # tenants
        - admin # roles
      - service:
        - admin
        - Member
    - require:
      - keystone: Keystone tenants
      - keystone: Keystone roles
nova:
  keystone.user_present:
    - password: '$up3rn0v4'
    - email: nova@domain.com
    - tenant: service
    - roles:
      - service:
        - admin
    - require:
      - keystone: Keystone tenants
      - keystone: Keystone roles
  keystone.user_present:
    - password: 'd3m0n$trati0n'
    - email: demo@domain.com
    - tenant: demo
    - roles:
      - demo:
        - Member
    - require:
      - keystone: Keystone tenants
      - keystone: Keystone roles
nova service:
  keystone.service_present:
    - name: nova
    - service_type: compute
    - description: OpenStack Compute Service
salt.states.keystone.endpoint_absent (name, profile=None, **connection_args)
    Ensure that the endpoint for a service doesn't exist in Keystone catalog
    name The name of the service whose endpoints should not exist
salt.states.keystone.endpoint_present (name, publicurl=None, internalurl=None, admin-
                                                        region='RegionOne', profile=None,
                                             url=None,
                                             **connection_args)
```

```
Ensure the specified endpoints exists for service
     name The Service name
     public url The public url of service endpoint
     internal url The internal url of service endpoint
     admin url The admin url of the service endpoint
     region The region of the endpoint
salt.states.keystone.role_absent (name, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Ensure that the keystone role is absent.
     name The name of the role that should not exist
salt.states.keystone.role_present (name, profile=None, **connection_args)
      'Ensures that the keystone role exists
     name The name of the role that should be present
salt.states.kevstone.service absent (name, profile=None, **connection args)
     Ensure that the service doesn't exist in Keystone catalog
     name The name of the service that should not exist
salt.states.keystone.service_present(name, service_type, description=None, profile=None,
                                                  **connection_args)
     Ensure service present in Keystone catalog
     name The name of the service
     service type The type of Openstack Service
     description (optional) Description of the service
salt.states.keystone.tenant_absent (name, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Ensure that the keystone tenant is absent.
     name The name of the tenant that should not exist
salt.states.keystone.tenant_present (name, description=None, enabled=True, profile=None,
                                                 **connection_args)
     'Ensures that the keystone tenant exists
     name The name of the tenant to manage
     description The description to use for this tenant
     enabled Availability state for this tenant
salt.states.keystone.user_absent (name, profile=None, **connection_args)
     Ensure that the keystone user is absent.
     name The name of the user that should not exist
salt.states.keystone.user present (name, password, email, tenant=None, enabled=True,
                                              roles=None, profile=None, **connection args)
     Ensure that the keystone user is present with the specified properties.
     name The name of the user to manage
     password The password to use for this user
     email The email address for this user
     tenant The tenant for this user
```

enabled Availability state for this userroles The roles the user should have under tenants

20.25.28 salt.states.kmod

Loading and unloading of kernel modules

The Kernel modules on a system can be managed cleanly with the kmod state module:

```
kvm_amd:
   kmod.present
pcspkr:
   kmod.absent

salt.states.kmod.absent (name, persist=False, comment=True)
   Verify that the named kernel module is not loaded
   name The name of the kernel module to verify is not loaded
   persist Delete module from /etc/modules
   comment Don't remove module from /etc/modules, only comment it
salt.states.kmod.present (name, persist=False)
   Ensure that the specified kernel module is loaded
   name The name of the kernel module to verify is loaded
   persist Also add module to /etc/modules
```

20.25.29 salt.states.layman

Management of Gentoo Overlays using layman

A state module to manage Gentoo package overlays via layman

```
sunrise:
    layman.present

salt.states.layman.absent (name)
    Verify that the overlay is absent

name The name of the overlay to delete

salt.states.layman.present (name)
    Verify that the overlay is present

name The name of the overlay to add
```

20.25.30 salt.states.libvirt

Manage libvirt certificates

This state uses the external pillar in the master to call for the generation and signing of certificates for systems running libvirt:

name The name variable used to track the execution

basepath Defaults to /etc/pki, this is the root location used for libvirt keys on the hypervisor

20.25.31 salt.states.locale

Management of languages/locales ==========+

The locale can be managed for the system:

```
en_US.UTF-8:
   locale.system

salt.states.locale.system(name)
   Set the locale for the system
```

name The name of the locale to use

20.25.32 salt.states.lvm

Management of Linux logical volumes

A state module to manage LVMs

```
/dev/sda:
  lvm.pv_present
my_vg:
  lvm.vg_present:
    - devices: /dev/sda
lvroot:
  lvm.lv_present:
    - vgname: my_vg
    - size: 10G
    - stripes: 5
    - stripesize: 8K
salt.states.lvm.lv_absent (name, vgname=None)
     Remove a given existing logical volume from a named existing volume group
     name The logical volume to remove
     vgname The volume group name
salt.states.lvm.lv_present (name, vgname=None, size=None, extents=None, snapshot=None,
                                 pv= '', **kwargs)
     Create a new logical volume
     name The name of the logical volume
     vgname The volume group name for this logical volume
```

```
size The initial size of the logical volume
     extents The number of logical extents to allocate
     snapshot The name of the snapshot
     pv The physical volume to use
     kwargs Any supported options to lycreate. See linux lym for more details.
salt.states.lvm.pv present (name, **kwargs)
     Set a physical device to be used as an LVM physical volume
     name The device name to initialize.
     kwargs Any supported options to pvcreate. See linux_lvm for more details.
salt.states.lvm.vg_absent (name)
     Remove an LVM volume group
     name The volume group to remove
salt.states.lvm.vg_present (name, devices=None, **kwargs)
     Create an LVM volume group
     name The volume group name to create
     devices A list of devices that will be added to the volume group
     kwargs Any supported options to vgcreate. See linux lvm for more details.
```

20.25.33 salt.states.lvs_server

Management of LVS(Linux Virtual Server) Real Server.

This lvs_server module is used to add and manage LVS Real Server in the specified service. Server can be set as either absent or present.

```
salt.states.lvs_server.absent (name,
                                                       protocol=None,
                                                                               service address=None,
                                        server_address=None)
     Ensure the LVS Real Server in specified service is absent.
     name The name of the LVS server.
     protocol The service protocol(only support tcp, udp and fwmark service).
     service address The LVS service address.
     server_address The LVS real server address.
salt.states.lvs_server.present (name,
                                                        protocol=None,
                                                                               service_address=None,
                                          server_address=None,
                                                                         packet_forward_method='dr',
                                          weight=1)
     Ensure that the named service is present.
     name The LVS server name
     protocol The service protocol
     service_address The LVS service address
     server address. The real server address.
     packet_forward_method The LVS packet forwarding method(dr for direct routing, tunnel for tunneling,
          nat for network access translation).
```

weight The capacity of a server relative to the others in the pool.

```
lvsrs:
    lvs_server.present:
        protocol: tcp
        service_address: 1.1.1.1:80
        server_address: 192.168.0.11:8080
        packet_forward_method: dr
        weight: 10
```

20.25.34 salt.states.lvs service

Management of LVS(Linux Virtual Server) Service.

```
This lvs_service module is used to create and manage LVS Service. Service can be set as either absent or present.
```

```
salt.states.lvs_service.absent (name, protocol=None, service_address=None)
     Ensure the LVS service is absent.
     name The name of the LVS service
     protocol The service protocol
     service_address The LVS service address
salt.states.lvs service.present(name,
                                                 protocol=None, service address=None,
                                                                                          sched-
                                         uler='wlc')
     Ensure that the named service is present.
     name The LVS service name
     protocol The service protocol
     service address The LVS service address
     scheduler Algorithm for allocating TCP connections and UDP datagrams to real servers.
     lvstest:
       lvs_service.present:
          - service_address: 1.1.1.1:80
          - protocol: tcp
          - scheduler: rr
```

20.25.35 salt.states.makeconf

Management of Gentoo make.conf

A state module to manage Gentoo's make.conf file

```
makeopts:
    makeconf.present:
        - value: '-j3'

salt.states.makeconf.absent(name)
    Verify that the variable is not in the make.conf.
```

name The variable name. This will automatically be converted to all Upper Case since variables in make.conf are Upper Case

```
salt.states.makeconf.present(name, value=None, contains=None, excludes=None)
```

Verify that the variable is in the make.conf and has the provided settings. If value is set, contains and excludes will be ignored.

name The variable name. This will automatically be converted to all Upper Case since variables in make.conf are Upper Case

value Enforce that the value of the variable is set to the provided value

contains Enforce that the value of the variable contains the provided value

excludes Enforce that the value of the variable does not contain the provided value.

20.25.36 salt.states.mdadm

Managing software RAID with mdadm

A state module for creating or destroying software RAID devices.

```
/dev/md0:
    raid.present:
    - opts: level=1 chunk=256 raid-devices=2 /dev/xvdd /dev/xvde
salt.states.mdadm.absent (name)
    Verify that the raid is absent
    name The name of raid device to be destroyed
    /dev/md0:
        raid:
        - absent
salt.states.mdadm.present (name, opts=None)
    Verify that the raid is present
```

name The name of raid device to be created

opts The mdadm options to use to create the raid. See mdadm for more information. Opts can be expressed as a single string of options.

```
/dev/md0:
   raid.present:
      - opts: level=1 chunk=256 raid-devices=2 /dev/xvdd /dev/xvde
```

Or as a list of options.

```
/dev/md0:
    raid.present:
    - opts:
        - level=1
        - chunk=256
        - raid-devices=2
        - /dev/xvdd
        - /dev/xvde
```

20.25.37 salt.states.memcached

States for Management of Memcached Keys

```
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
salt.states.memcached.absent (name, value=None, host='127.0.0.1', port=11211, time=0)
     Ensure that a memcached key is not present.
     name The key
     value [None] If specified, only ensure that the key is absent if it matches the specified value.
     host The memcached server IP address
     port The memcached server port
     foo:
       memcached.absent
     bar:
       memcached.absent:
          - host: 10.0.0.1
salt.states.memcached.managed(name, value=None, host='127.0.0.1', port=11211, time=0,
                                       min\_compress\_len=0)
     Manage a memcached key.
     name The key to manage
     value The value to set for that key
     host The memcached server IP address
     port The memcached server port
     foo:
       memcached.managed:
          - value: bar
```

20.25.38 salt.states.modjk worker

Manage modjk workers

Send commands to a **modjk** load balancer via the peer system.

This module can be used with the *prereq* requisite to remove/add the worker from the load balancer before deploying/restarting service.

Mandatory Settings:

- The minion needs to have permission to publish the **modjk.*** functions (see *here* for information on configuring peer publishing permissions)
- The modik load balancer must be configured as stated in the modik execution module documentation

```
salt.states.modjk_worker.activate (name, lbn, target, profile='default', expr_form='glob')
Activate the named worker from the lbn load balancers at the targeted minions
```

Example:

```
disable-before-deploy:
  modjk_worker.activate:
    - name: {{ grains['id'] }}
    - lbn: application
    - target: 'roles:balancer'
    - expr_form: grain
```

salt.states.modjk_worker.disable(name, lbn, target, profile='default', expr_form='glob')

Disable the named worker from the lbn load balancers at the targeted minions. The worker will get traffic only for current sessions and won't get new ones.

Example:

```
disable-before-deploy:
  modjk_worker.disable:
    - name: {{ grains['id'] }}
    - lbn: application
    - target: 'roles:balancer'
    - expr_form: grain
```

salt.states.modjk_worker.stop(name, lbn, target, profile='default', expr_form='glob')

Stop the named worker from the lbn load balancers at the targeted minions The worker won't get any traffic from the lbn

Example:

```
disable-before-deploy:
   modjk_worker.stop:
        - name: {{ grains['id'] }}
        - lbn: application
        - target: 'roles:balancer'
        - expr_form: grain
```

20.25.39 salt.states.module

Execution of Salt modules from within states

These states allow individual execution module calls to be made via states. To call a single module function use a module.run state:

```
mine.send:
   module.run:
     - func: network.interfaces
```

Note that this example is probably unnecessary to use in practice, since the mine_functions and mine_interval config parameters can be used to schedule updates for the mine (see *here* for more info).

It is sometimes desirable to trigger a function call after a state is executed, for this the module.wait state can be used:

```
mine.send:
   module.wait:
        - func: network.interfaces
        - watch:
        - file: /etc/network/interfaces
```

All arguments are passed through to the module function being executed. However, due to how the state system works, if a module function accepts an argument called, name, then m_name must be used to specify that argument, to avoid a collision with the name argument. For example:

```
disable_nfs:
  module.run:
     - name: service.disable
     - m_name: nfs
salt.states.module.mod_watch(name, **kwargs)
     Run a single module function
     name The module function to execute
     returner Specify the returner to send the return of the module execution to
     **kwargs Pass any arguments needed to execute the function
salt.states.module.run (name, **kwargs)
     Run a single module function
     name The module function to execute
     returner Specify the returner to send the return of the module execution to
     **kwargs Pass any arguments needed to execute the function
salt.states.module.wait(name, **kwargs)
     Run a single module function only if the watch statement calls it
     name The module function to execute
     **kwargs Pass any arguments needed to execute the function
```

Note: Like the cmd.run state, this state will return True but not actually execute, unless one of the following two things happens:

- 1. The state has a *watch requisite*, and the state which it is watching changes.
- 2. Another state has a *watch_in requisite* which references this state, and the state wth the watch_in changes.

20.25.40 salt.states.mongodb_database

Management of Mongodb databases

Only deletion is supported, creation doesn't make sense and can be done using mongodb_user.present

Ensure that the named database is absent

name The name of the database to remove

user The user to connect as (must be able to create the user)

password The password of the user

host The host to connect to

port The port to connect to

20.25.41 salt.states.mongodb user

Management of Mongodb users

```
salt.states.mongodb_user.absent (name, user=None, password=None, host=None, port=None,
                                            database='admin')
     Ensure that the named user is absent
     name The name of the user to remove
     user The user to connect as (must be able to create the user)
     password The password of the user
     host The host to connect to
     port The port to connect to
     database The database to create the user in (if the db doesn't exist, it will be created)
salt.states.mongodb_user.present(name, passwd, database='admin', user=None, pass-
                                              word=None, host=None, port=None)
     Ensure that the user is present with the specified properties
     name The name of the user to manage
     passwd The password of the user
     user The user to connect as (must be able to create the user)
     password The password of the user
     host The host to connect to
     port The port to connect to
     database The database to create the user in (if the db doesn't exist, it will be created)
```

20.25.42 salt.states.mount

fuse mounts

Mounting of filesystems

Mount any type of mountable filesystem with the mounted function:

mkmnt If the mount point is not present then the state will fail, set mkmnt to True to create the mount point if it is otherwise not present

opts A list object of options or a comma delimited list

dump The dump value to be passed into the fstab, default to 0

pass_num The pass value to be passed into the fstab, default to 0

config Set an alternative location for the fstab, default to /etc/fstab

persist Set if the mount should be saved in the fstab, default to True

```
salt.states.mount.swap (name, persist=True, config='/etc/fstab')
Activates a swap device
/root/swapfile:
```

mount.swap

salt.states.mount.unmounted(name, config='/etc/fstab', persist=False)

Note: This state will be available in version 0.17.0.

Verify that a device is not mounted

name The path to the location where the device is to be unmounted from

config Set an alternative location for the fstab, default to /etc/fstab

persist Set if the mount should be purged from the fstab, default to False

20.25.43 salt.states.mysql_database

Management of MySQL databases (schemas)

depends

• MySQLdb Python module

configuration See salt.modules.mysql for setup instructions.

The mysql_database module is used to create and manage MySQL databases. Databases can be set as either absent or present.

```
frank:
    mysql_database.present

salt.states.mysql_database.absent (name, **connection_args)
    Ensure that the named database is absent
    name The name of the database to remove

salt.states.mysql_database.present (name, **connection_args)
    Ensure that the named database is present with the specified properties
    name The name of the database to manage
```

20.25.44 salt.states.mysql grants

Management of MySQL grants (user permissions)

depends

• MySQLdb Python module

```
configuration See salt.modules.mysql for setup instructions.
```

The mysql_grants module is used to grant and revoke MySQL permissions.

The name you pass in purely symbolic and does not have anything to do with the grant itself.

The database parameter needs to specify a 'priv_level' in the same specification as defined in the MySQL documentation:

```
• * *
   • db_name.*
   • db_name.tbl_name
   • etc...
frank_exampledb:
   mysql_grants.present:
    - grant: select, insert, update
    - database: exampledb.*
    - user: frank
    - host: localhost
frank_otherdb:
  mysql_grants.present:
    - grant: all privileges
    - database: otherdb.*
    - user: frank
restricted_singletable:
  mysql_grants.present:
    - grant: select
    - database: somedb.sometable
    - user: joe
salt.states.mysql_grants.absent (name,
                                                  grant=None,
                                                                  database=None,
                                                                                     user=None.
                                         host='localhost', grant_option=False, escape=True, **con-
                                         nection_args)
     Ensure that the grant is absent
     name The name (key) of the grant to add
     grant The grant priv type (i.e. select,insert,update OR all privileges)
     database The database priv_level (i.e. db.tbl OR db.*)
     user The user to apply the grant to
     host The network/host that the grant should apply to
```

```
salt.states.mysql_grants.present (name, grant=None, database=None, user=None, host='localhost', grant_option=False, escape=True, revoke_first=False, **connection_args')

Ensure that the grant is present with the specified properties

name The name (key) of the grant to add

grant The grant priv_type (i.e. select,insert,update OR all privileges)

database The database priv_level (ie. db.tbl OR db.*)

user The user to apply the grant to

host The network/host that the grant should apply to

grant_option Adds the WITH GRANT OPTION to the defined grant. default: False

escape Defines if the database value gets escaped or not. default: True
```

revoke_first By default, MySQL will not do anything if you issue a command to grant privileges that are more restrictive than what's already in place. This effectively means that you cannot downgrade permissions without first revoking permissions applied to a db.table/user pair first.

To have Salt forcibly revoke perms before applying a new grant, enable the 'revoke_first options.

WARNING: This will *remove* permissions for a database before attempting to apply new permissions. There is no guarantee that new permissions will be applied correctly which can leave your database security in an unknown and potentially dangerous state. Use with caution!

default: False

20.25.45 salt.states.mysql_user

Management of MySQL users

depends

• MySQLdb Python module

configuration See salt.modules.mysql for setup instructions.

```
frank:
   mysql_user.present:
     - host: localhost
     - password: bobcat
```

New in version 0.16.2: Authentication overrides have been added.

The MySQL authentication information specified in the minion config file can be overidden in states using the following arguments: connection_host, connection_port, connection_user, connection_pass, connection_db, connection_unix_socket, connection_default_file and connection_charset.

```
salt.states.mysql_user.absent (name, host='localhost', **connection_args)
Ensure that the named user is absent
```

name The name of the user to remove

```
salt.states.mysql_user.present(name, host='localhost', password=None, pass-
word_hash=None, allow_passwordless=False,
unix socket=False, **connection ares)
```

Ensure that the named user is present with the specified properties. A passwordless user can be configured by omitting password and password hash, and setting allow passwordless to True.

name The name of the user to manage

host Host for which this user/password combo applies

password The password to use for this user. Will take precedence over the password_hash option if both are specified.

password_hash The password in hashed form. Be sure to quote the password because YAML doesn't like the*. A password hash can be obtained from the mysql command-line client like so:

```
mysql> SELECT PASSWORD('mypass');
+------+
| PASSWORD('mypass')
+-----+
| *6C8989366EAF75BB670AD8EA7A7FC1176A95CEF4 |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

allow_passwordless If True, then password and password_hash can be omitted to permit a passwordless login.

unix_socket If True and allow_passwordless is True then will be used unix_socket auth plugin.

Note: The allow_passwordless option will be available in version 0.16.2.

20.25.46 salt.states.network

Configuration of network interfaces

The network module is used to create and manage network settings, interfaces can be set as either managed or ignored. By default all interfaces are ignored unless specified.

Note: Prior to version 2014.1.0 (Hydrogen), only RedHat-based systems (RHEL, CentOS, Scientific Linux, etc.) are supported. Support for Debian/Ubuntu is new in 2014.1.0 and should be considered experimental.

Other platforms are not yet supported.

```
system:
   network.system:
   - enabled: True
   - hostname: server1.example.com
   - gateway: 192.168.0.1
   - gatewaydev: eth0
   - nozeroconf: True
   - nisdomain: example.com
   - require_reboot: True
```

```
eth0:
  network.managed:
    - enabled: True
    - type: eth
    - proto: none
    - ipaddr: 10.1.0.1
    - netmask: 255.255.255.0
    - dns:
      - 8.8.8.8
      - 8.8.4.4
routes:
  network.routes:
    - name: eth0
    - routes:
      - name: secure_network
        ipaddr: 10.2.0.0
        netmask: 255.255.255.0
        gateway: 10.1.0.3
      - name: HQ_network
        ipaddr: 10.100.0.0
        netmask: 255.255.0.0
        gateway: 10.1.0.10
eth2:
  network.managed:
    - type: slave
    - master: bond0
eth3:
  network.managed:
    - type: slave
    - master: bond0
eth4:
  network.managed:
   - enabled: True
    - type: eth
    - proto: dhcp
    - bridge: br0
bond0:
  network.managed:
    - type: bond
    - ipaddr: 10.1.0.1
    - netmask: 255.255.255.0
    - dns:
      - 8.8.8.8
      - 8.8.4.4
    - ipv6:
    - enabled: False
    - use_in:
      - network: eth2
      - network: eth3
    - require:
      - network: eth2
      - network: eth3
    - mode: 802.3ad
```

```
- miimon: 100
    - arp_interval: 250
    - downdelay: 200
    - lacp_rate: fast
    - max_bonds: 1
    - updelay: 0
    - use_carrier: on
    - xmit_hash_policy: layer2
    - mtu: 9000
    - autoneg: on
    - speed: 1000
    - duplex: full
    - rx: on
    - tx: off
    - sg: on
    - tso: off
    - ufo: off
    - gso: off
    - gro: off
    - lro: off
bond0.2:
  network.managed:
    - type: vlan
    - ipaddr: 10.1.0.2
    - use:
      - network: bond0
    - require:
      - network: bond0
bond0.3:
  network.managed:
    - type: vlan
    - ipaddr: 10.1.0.3
    - use:
      - network: bond0
    - require:
      - network: bond0
bond0.10:
  network.managed:
   - type: vlan
    - ipaddr: 10.1.0.4
      - network: bond0
    - require:
      - network: bond0
bond0.12:
  network.managed:
    - type: vlan
    - ipaddr: 10.1.0.5
    - use:
      - network: bond0
    - require:
      - network: bond0
br0:
  network.managed:
```

```
- enabled: True
    - type: bridge
    - proto: dhcp
     - bridge: br0
     - delay: 0
     - bypassfirewall: True
      use:
       - network: eth4
     - require:
       - network: eth4
salt.states.network.managed(name, type, enabled=True, **kwargs)
     Ensure that the named interface is configured properly.
     name The name of the interface to manage
     type Type of interface and configuration.
     enabled Designates the state of this interface.
     kwargs The IP parameters for this interface.
salt.states.network.routes(name, **kwargs)
     Manage network interface static routes.
     name Interface name to apply the route to.
     kwargs Named routes
salt.states.network.system(name, **kwargs)
     Ensure that global network settings are configured properly.
     name Custom name to represent this configuration change.
     kwargs The global parameters for the system.
```

20.25.47 salt.states.npm

Installation of NPM Packages

These states manage the installed packages for node.js using the Node Package Manager (npm). Note that npm must be installed for these states to be available, so npm states should include a requisite to a pkg.installed state for the package which provides npm (simply npm in most cases). Example:

```
npm:
    pkg.installed

yaml:
    npm.installed:
    - require:
        - pkg: npm

salt.states.npm.bootstrap(name, runas=None, user=None)
    Bootstraps a node.js application.
    will execute npm install -json on the specified directory
    runas The user to run NPM with
        Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
```

```
user The user to run NPM with
          New in version 0.17.0.
salt.states.npm.installed(name, dir=None, runas=None, user=None, force_reinstall=False)
     Verify that the given package is installed and is at the correct version (if specified).
     coffee-script:
        npm:
          - installed
          - user: someuser
     coffee-script@1.0.1:
        npm:
          - installed
     dir The target directory in which to install the package, or None for global installation
     runas The user to run NPM with
          Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user The user to run NPM with
          New in version 0.17.0.
     force_reinstall Install the package even if it is already installed
salt.states.npm.removed(name, dir=None, runas=None, user=None)
     Verify that the given package is not installed.
     dir The target directory in which to install the package, or None for global installation
     runas The user to run NPM with
          Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user The user to run NPM with
          New in version 0.17.0.
20.25.48 salt.states.ntp
Management of NTP servers
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
This state is used to manage NTP servers. Currently only Windows is supported.
win_ntp:
  ntp.managed:
     - servers:
       - pool.ntp.org
       - us.pool.ntp.org
salt.states.ntp.managed(name, servers=None)
```

Manage NTP servers

servers A list of NTP servers

20.25.49 salt.states.openstack config

```
Manage OpenStack configuration file settings.

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salt.states.openstack_config.absent (name, filename, section, parameter=None)

Ensure a value is not set in an OpenStack configuration file.

filename The full path to the configuration file

section The section in which the parameter will be set

parameter (optional) The parameter to change. If the parameter is not supplied, the name will be used as the parameter.

salt.states.openstack_config.present (name, filename, section, value, parameter=None)

Ensure a value is set in an OpenStack configuration file.

filename The full path to the configuration file

section The section in which the parameter will be set
```

parameter (optional) The parameter to change. If the parameter is not supplied, the name will be used as the

parameter.

value The value to set

20.25.50 salt.states.pagerduty

Create an Event in PagerDuty

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

This state is useful for creating events on the PagerDuty service during state runs.

```
server-warning-message:
  pagerduty.create_event:
    - name: 'This is a server warning message'
    - details: 'This is a much more detailed message'
    - service_key: 9abcd123456789efabcde362783cdbaf
    - profile: my-pagerduty-account

salt.states.pagerduty.create_event (name, details, service_key, profile)
    Create an event on the PagerDuty service

server-warning-message:
    pagerduty.create_event:
        - name: 'This is a server warning message'
        - details: 'This is a much more detailed message'
        - service_key: 9abcd123456789efabcde362783cdbaf
        - profile: my-pagerduty-account
```

The following parameters are required:

name This is a short description of the event.

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details This can be a more detailed description of the event.
```

service_key This key can be found by using pagerduty.list_services.

profile This refers to the configuration profile to use to connect to the PagerDuty service.

20.25.51 salt.states.pecl

Installation of PHP Extensions Using pecl

These states manage the installed pecl extensions. Note that php-pear must be installed for these states to be available, so pecl states should include a requisite to a pkg.installed state for the package which provides pecl (php-pear in most cases). Example:

name The pecl extension name to install

version The pecl extension version to install. This option may be ignored to install the latest stable version.

defaults Use default answers for extensions such as pecl_http which ask questions before installation. Without this option, the pecl.installed state will hang indefinitely when trying to install these extensions.

force Whether to force the installed version or not

preferred_state The pecl extension state to install

Note: The defaults option will be available in version 0.17.0.

```
salt.states.pecl.removed(name)
```

Make sure that a pecl extension is not installed.

name The pecl extension name to uninstall

20.25.52 salt.states.pip_state

Installation of Python Packages Using pip

These states manage system installed python packages. Note that pip must be installed for these states to be available, so pip states should include a requisite to a pkg.installed state for the package which provides pip (python-pip in most cases). Example:

```
python-pip:
   pkg.installed

virtualenvwrapper:
   pip.installed:
```

```
- require:
      - pkg: python-pip
salt.states.pip_state.installed(name, pip_bin=None, requirements=None,
                                                                                    env=None,
                                        bin_env=None, use_wheel=False, log=None, proxy=None,
                                        timeout=None, repo=None, editable=None, find links=None,
                                        index_url=None, extra_index_url=None, no_index=False,
                                        mirrors=None, build=None, target=None, download=None,
                                        download_cache=None,
                                                                source=None,
                                                                               upgrade=False,
                                        force reinstall=False,
                                                                ignore installed=False,
                                        ists action=None,
                                                            no deps=False,
                                                                             no install=False,
                                                             install options=None, user=None,
                                        no download=False,
                                        runas=None, no_chown=False, cwd=None, activate=False,
                                        pre releases=False)
```

Make sure the package is installed

name The name of the python package to install. You can also specify version numbers here using the standard operators ==, >=, <=. If requirements is given, this parameter will be ignored.

Example:

```
django:
   pip.installed:
      - name: django >= 1.6, <= 1.7
      - require:
      - pkg: python-pip</pre>
```

This will install the latest Django version greater than 1.6 but less than 1.7.

user The user under which to run pip

use_wheel [False] Prefer wheel archives (requires pip>=1.4)

bin_env [None] Absolute path to a virtual environment directory or absolute path to a pip executable. The example below assumes a virtual environment has been created at /foo/.virtualenvs/bar.

Example:

```
django:
  pip.installed:
    - name: django >= 1.6, <= 1.7
    - bin_env: /foo/.virtualenvs/bar
    - require:
    - pkg: python-pip</pre>
```

Or

Example:

```
django:
   pip.installed:
    - name: django >= 1.6, <= 1.7
    - bin_env: /foo/.virtualenvs/bar/bin/pip
    - require:
    - pkg: python-pip</pre>
```

Attention

The following arguments are deprecated, do not use.

```
pip_bin [None] Deprecated, use bin_env
env [None] Deprecated, use bin_env
```

Changed in version 0.17.0: use_wheel option added.

Attention

As of Salt 0.17.0 the pip state **needs** an importable pip module. This usually means having the system's pip package installed or running Salt from an active virtualenv.

The reason for this requirement is because pip already does a pretty good job parsing it's own requirements. It makes no sense for Salt to do pip requirements parsing and validation before passing them to the pip library. It's functionality duplication and it's more error prone.

```
salt.states.pip_state.removed(name, requirements=None, bin_env=None, log=None, proxy=None, timeout=None, user=None, runas=None, cwd=None)

Make sure that a package is not installed.

name The name of the package to uninstall

user The user under which to run pip

bin_env [None] the pip executable or virtualenenv to use
```

20.25.53 salt.states.pkg

Installation of packages using OS package managers such as yum or apt-get

Salt can manage software packages via the pkg state module, packages can be set up to be installed, latest, removed and purged. Package management declarations are typically rather simple:

```
vim:
   pkg.installed
```

A more involved example involves pulling from a custom repository. Note that the pkgrepo has a require_in clause. This is necessary and can not be replaced by a require clause in the pkg.

```
base:
  pkgrepo.managed:
    - humanname: Logstash PPA
    - name: ppa:wolfnet/logstash
    - dist: precise
    - file: /etc/apt/sources.list.d/logstash.list
    - keyid: 28B04E4A
    - keyserver: keyserver.ubuntu.com
    - require_in:
      - pkg: logstash
logstash:
  pkg.installed
                                                                               fromrepo=None,
salt.states.pkg.installed(name,
                                           version=None,
                                                             refresh=None,
                                skip_verify=False, skip_suggestions=False, pkgs=None, names=None,
                                sources=None, **kwargs)
     Verify that the package is installed, and that it is the correct version (if specified).
```

name The name of the package to be installed. This parameter is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources" is used. Additionally, please note that this option can only be used to install packages from a software repository. To install a package file manually, use the "sources" option detailed below.

fromrepo Specify a repository from which to install

Note: Distros which use APT (Debian, Ubuntu, etc.) do not have a concept of repositories, in the same way as YUM-based distros do. When a source is added, it is assigned to a given release. Consider the following source configuration:

```
deb http://ppa.launchpad.net/saltstack/salt/ubuntu precise main
```

The packages provided by this source would be made available via the precise release, therefore from repo would need to be set to precise for Salt to install the package from this source.

Having multiple sources in the same release may result in the default install candidate being newer than what is desired. If this is the case, the desired version must be specified using the version parameter.

If the pkgs parameter is being used to install multiple packages in the same state, then instead of using version, use the method of version specification described in the **Multiple Package Installation Options** section below.

Running the shell command apt-cache policy pkgname on a minion can help elucidate the APT configuration and aid in properly configuring states:

```
root@saltmaster:~# salt ubuntu01 cmd.run 'apt-cache policy ffmpeg'
ubuntu01:
    ffmpeg:
    Installed: (none)
    Candidate: 7:0.10.11-1~precise1
    Version table:
        7:0.10.11-1~precise1 0
            500 http://ppa.launchpad.net/jon-severinsson/ffmpeg/ubuntu/ precise/main amd64 E
        4:0.8.10-0ubuntu0.12.04.1 0
            500 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/ precise-updates/main amd64 Packages
        500 http://security.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/ precise-security/main amd64 Packages
        4:0.8.1-0ubuntu1 0
        500 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/ precise/main amd64 Packages
```

The release is located directly after the source's URL. The actual release name is the part before the slash, so to install version **4:0.8.10-0ubuntu0.12.04.1** either precise-updates or precise-security could be used for the fromrepo value.

skip_verify Skip the GPG verification check for the package to be installed

skip_suggestions Force strict package naming. Disables lookup of package alternatives.

New in version 2014.1.1.

version Install a specific version of a package. This option is ignored if either "pkgs" or "sources" is used. Currently, this option is supported for the following pkg providers: apt, ebuild, pacman, yumpkg, and zypper.

refresh Update the repo database of available packages prior to installing the requested package.

Usage:

```
httpd:
   pkg.installed:
      - fromrepo: mycustomrepo
      - skip_verify: True
```

```
- skip_suggestions: True
- version: 2.0.6~ubuntu3
- refresh: True
```

Multiple Package Installation Options: (not supported in Windows or pkgng)

pkgs A list of packages to install from a software repository. All packages listed under pkgs will be installed via a single command.

Usage:

NOTE: For apt, ebuild, pacman, yumpkg, and zypper, version numbers can be specified in the pkgs argument. Example:

```
mypkgs:
   pkg.installed:
   - pkgs:
        - foo
        - bar: 1.2.3-4
        - baz
```

Additionally, ebuild, pacman and zypper support the <, <=, >=, and > operators for more control over what versions will be installed. Example:

```
mypkgs:
   pkg.installed:
   - pkgs:
    - foo
    - bar: '>=1.2.3-4'
    - baz
```

NOTE: When using comparison operators, the expression must be enclosed in quotes to avoid a YAML render error.

With ebuild is also possible to specify a use flag list and/or if the given packages should be in package.accept_keywords file and/or the overlay from which you want the package to be installed. Example:

names A list of packages to install from a software repository. Each package will be installed individually by the package manager.

Usage:

```
- bar
- baz
```

NOTE: For apt, ebuild, pacman, yumpkg, and zypper, version numbers can be specified in the names argument. Example:

Additionally, ebuild, pacman and zypper support the <, <=, >=, and > operators for more control over what versions will be installed. Example:

```
mypkgs:
   pkg.installed:
        - names:
        - foo
        - bar: '>=1.2.3-4'
        - baz
```

NOTE: When using comparison operators, the expression must be enclosed in quotes to avoid a YAML render error.

With ebuild is also possible to specify a use flag list and/or if the given packages should be in package.accept_keywords file and/or the overlay from which you want the package to be installed. Example:

sources A list of packages to install, along with the source URI or local path from which to install each package. In the example below, foo, bar, baz, etc. refer to the name of the package, as it would appear in the output of the pkg.version or pkg.list_pkgs salt CLI commands.

Usage:

Verify that the named package is installed and the latest available package. If the package can be updated this state function will update the package. Generally it is better for the installed function to be used, as latest will update the package whenever a new package is available.

name The name of the package to maintain at the latest available version. This parameter is ignored if "pkgs" is used.

fromrepo Specify a repository from which to install

skip_verify Skip the GPG verification check for the package to be installed

Multiple Package Installation Options:

(Not yet supported for: Windows, FreeBSD, OpenBSD, MacOS, and Solaris pkgutil)

pkgs A list of packages to maintain at the latest available version.

Usage:

```
mypkgs:

pkg.latest:

pkgs:

foo

bar

baz
```

salt.states.pkg.purged(name, pkgs=None, **kwargs)

Verify that a package is not installed, calling pkg.purge if necessary to purge the package.

name The name of the package to be purged.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to purge. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

```
salt.states.pkg.removed(name, pkgs=None, **kwargs)
```

Verify that a package is not installed, calling pkg. remove if necessary to remove the package.

name The name of the package to be removed.

Multiple Package Options:

pkgs A list of packages to remove. Must be passed as a python list. The name parameter will be ignored if this option is passed.

New in version 0.16.0.

```
salt.states.pkg.uptodate(name, refresh=False)
```

New in version Helium.

Verify that the system is completely up to date.

name Does nothing.

refresh refresh the package database before checkif for new upgrades

20.25.54 salt.states.pkgng

Manage package remote repo using FreeBSD pkgng

Salt can manage the URL pkgng pulls packages from. ATM the state and module are small so use cases are typically rather simple:

```
pkgng_clients:
    pkgng:
        - update_packaging_site
        - name: "http://192.168.0.2"

salt.states.pkgng.update_packaging_site(name)
```

20.25.55 salt.states.pkgrepo

Management of package repos

Package repositories can be managed with the pkgrepo state:

```
pkgrepo.managed:
    - humanname: CentOS-$releasever - Base
    - mirrorlist: http://mirrorlist.centos.org/?release=$releasever&arch=$basearch&repo=os
    - comments:
        - '#http://mirror.centos.org/centos/$releasever/os/$basearch/'
    - gpgcheck: 1
    - gpgkey: file:///etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-CentOS-6
base:
  pkgrepo.managed:
   - humanname: Logstash PPA
    - name: deb http://ppa.launchpad.net/wolfnet/logstash/ubuntu precise main
    - dist: precise
    - file: /etc/apt/sources.list.d/logstash.list
    - keyid: 28B04E4A
    - keyserver: keyserver.ubuntu.com
    - require_in:
      - pkg: logstash
  pkq.latest:
    - name: logstash
    - refresh: True
base:
  pkgrepo.managed:
    - ppa: wolfnet/logstash
  pkg.latest:
    - name: logstash
    - refresh: True
```

Note: On Ubuntu systems, the python-software-properties package should be installed for better support of PPA repositories. To check if this package is installed, run dpkg -l python-software-properties.

Also, some Ubuntu releases have a bug in their python-software-properties package, a missing dependency on pycurl, so python-pycurl will need to be manually installed if it is not present once python-software-properties is installed.

```
salt.states.pkgrepo.absent(name, **kwargs)
```

This function deletes the specified repo on the system, if it exists. It is essentially a wrapper around pkg.del_repo.

- **name** The name of the package repo, as it would be referred to when running the regular package manager commands.
- **ppa** On Ubuntu, you can take advantage of Personal Package Archives on Launchpad simply by specifying the user and archive name.

```
logstash-ppa:
  pkgrepo.absent:
  - ppa: wolfnet/logstash
```

ppa_auth For Ubuntu PPAs there can be private PPAs that require authentication to access. For these PPAs the username/password can be specified. This is required for matching if the name format uses the "ppa:"

specifier and is private (requires username/password to access, which is encoded in the URI).

```
logstash-ppa:
    pkgrepo.absent:
    - ppa: wolfnet/logstash
    - ppa_auth: username:password
salt.states.pkgrepo.managed(name, **kwargs)
```

This function manages the configuration on a system that points to the repositories for the system's package manager.

name The name of the package repo, as it would be referred to when running the regular package manager commands.

For yum-based systems, take note of the following configuration values:

humanname On yum-based systems, this is stored as the "name" value in the .repo file in /etc/yum.repos.d/. On yum-based systems, this is required.

baseurl On yum-based systems, baseurl refers to a direct URL to be used for this yum repo. One of baseurl or mirrorlist is required.

mirrorlist a URL which contains a collection of baseurls to choose from. On yum-based systems. One of baseurl or mirrorlist is required.

comments Sometimes you want to supply additional information, but not as enabled configuration. Anything supplied for this list will be saved in the repo configuration with a comment marker (#) in front.

Additional configuration values, such as gpgkey or gpgcheck, are used verbatim to update the options for the yum repo in question.

For apt-based systems, take note of the following configuration values:

ppa On Ubuntu, you can take advantage of Personal Package Archives on Launchpad simply by specifying the user and archive name. The keyid will be queried from launchpad and everything else is set automatically. You can override any of the below settings by simply setting them as you would normally. For example:

```
logstash-ppa:
   pkgrepo.managed:
   - ppa: wolfnet/logstash
```

ppa_auth For Ubuntu PPAs there can be private PPAs that require authentication to access. For these PPAs the username/password can be passed as an HTTP Basic style username/password combination.

```
logstash-ppa:
   pkgrepo.managed:
   - ppa: wolfnet/logstash
   - ppa_auth: username:password
```

name On apt-based systems this must be the complete entry as it would be seen in the sources.list file. This can have a limited subset of components (i.e. 'main') which can be added/modified with the "comps" option.

```
precise-repo:
   pkgrepo.managed:
   - name: deb http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu precise main
```

disabled On apt-based systems, disabled toggles whether or not the repo is used for resolving dependencies and/or installing packages

comps On apt-based systems, comps dictate the types of packages to be installed from the repository (e.g. main, nonfree, ...). For purposes of this, comps should be a comma-separated list.

file The filename for the .list that the repository is configured in. It is important to include the full-path AND make sure it is in a directory that APT will look in when handling packages

dist This dictates the release of the distro the packages should be built for. (e.g. unstable)

keyid The KeyID of the GPG key to install. This option also requires the 'keyserver' option to be set.

keyserver This is the name of the keyserver to retrieve gpg keys from. The keyid option must also be set for this option to work.

key_url URL to retrieve a GPG key from.

consolidate If set to true, this will consolidate all sources definitions to the sources.list file, cleanup the now unused files, consolidate components (e.g. main) for the same URI, type, and architecture to a single line, and finally remove comments from the sources.list file. The consolidate will run every time the state is processed. The option only needs to be set on one repo managed by salt to take effect.

require_in Set this to a list of pkg.installed or pkg.latest to trigger the running of apt-get update prior to attempting to install these packages. Setting a require in the pkg will not work for this.

20.25.56 salt.states.portage_config

Management of Portage package configuration on Gentoo

A state module to manage Portage configuration on Gentoo

salt.states.portage_config.flags (name, use=None, accept_keywords=None, env=None, license=None, properties=None, unmask=False, mask=False)

Enforce the given flags on the given package or DEPEND atom. Please be warned that, in most cases, you need to rebuild the affected packages in order to apply the changes.

name The name of the package or his DEPEND atom

use A list of use flags

accept_keywords A list of keywords to accept. "~ARCH" means current host arch, and will be translated in a line without keywords

env A list of environment files

license A list of accepted licenses

properties A list of additional properties

unmask A boolean to unmask the package

mask A boolean to mask the package

20.25.57 salt.states.ports

Manage software from FreeBSD ports

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

Note: It may be helpful to use a higher timeout when running a ports.installed state, since compiling the port may exceed Salt's timeout.

```
salt -t 1200 '*' state.highstate
```

```
salt.states.ports.installed(name, options=None)
```

Verify that the desired port is installed, and that it was compiled with the desired options.

options Make sure that the desired non-default options are set

Warning: Any build options not passed here assume the default values for the port, and are not just differences from the existing cached options from a previous make config.

Example usage:

```
security/nmap:
  ports.installed:
    - options:
    - IPV6: off
```

20.25.58 salt.states.postgres database

Management of PostgreSQL databases

The postgres_database module is used to create and manage Postgres databases. Databases can be set as either absent or present

```
frank:
  postgres_database.present
salt.states.postgres_database.absent (name,
                                                            runas=None.
                                                                             user=None.
                                                                                            mainte-
                                                 nance_db=None, db_password=None, db_host=None,
                                                 db_port=None, db_user=None)
     Ensure that the named database is absent
     name The name of the database to remove
     db_user database username if different from config or defaul
     db password user password if any password for a specified user
     db host Database host if different from config or default
     db_port Database port if different from config or default
     runas System user all operations should be performed on behalf of
          Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of
          New in version 0.17.0.
salt.states.postgres_database.present (name,
                                                              tablespace=None,
                                                                                    encoding=None,
                                                   lc_collate=None,
                                                                     lc\_ctype=None,
                                                                                       owner=None,
                                                   template=None,
                                                                       runas=None,
                                                                                         user=None,
```

Ensure that the named database is present with the specified properties. For more information about all of these options see man createdb(1)

maintenance_db=None,

db host=None, db port=None, db user=None)

name The name of the database to manage

db_password=None,

tablespace Default tablespace for the database

encoding The character encoding scheme to be used in this database

lc_collate The LC_COLLATE setting to be used in this database

lc_ctype The LC_CTYPE setting to be used in this database

owner The username of the database owner

template The template database from which to build this database

runas System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

db_user database username if different from config or defaul

db_password user password if any password for a specified user

db_host Database host if different from config or default

db_port Database port if different from config or default

New in version 0.17.0.

20.25.59 salt.states.postgres_group

Management of PostgreSQL groups (roles)

The postgres_group module is used to create and manage Postgres groups.

frank.

postgres_group.present

Ensure that the named group is absent

name The groupname of the group to remove

runas System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

New in version 0.17.0.

db_user database username if different from config or defaul

db_password user password if any password for a specified user

db_host Database host if different from config or default

db_port Database port if different from config or default

```
salt.states.postgres_group.present (name, createdb=None, createroles=None, createroles=None, createuser=None, encrypted=None, superuser=None, inherit=None, login=None, replication=None, password=None, groups=None, runas=None, user=None, maintenance_db=None, db_password=None, db_host=None, db_port=None, db_user=None)
```

Ensure that the named group is present with the specified privileges Please note that the user/group notion in postgresql is just abstract, we have roles, where users can be seens as roles with the LOGIN privilege and groups the others.

name The name of the group to manage

createdb Is the group allowed to create databases?

createroles Is the group allowed to create other roles/users

createuser Alias to create roles, and history problem, in pgsql normally createuser == superuser

encrypted Should the password be encrypted in the system catalog?

login Should the group have login perm

inherit Should the group inherit permissions

superuser Should the new group be a "superuser"

replication Should the new group be allowed to initiate streaming replication

password The Group's password It can be either a plain string or a md5 postgresql hashed password:

```
'md5{MD50F({password}{role}}'
```

If encrypted is None or True, the password will be automatically encrypted to the previous format if it is not already done.

groups A string of comma separated groups the group should be in

runas System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

New in version 0.17.0.

db_user database username if different from config or defaul

db_password user password if any password for a specified user

db_host Database host if different from config or default

db_port Database port if different from config or default

20.25.60 salt.states.postgres user

Management of PostgreSQL users (roles)

The postgres users module is used to create and manage Postgres users.

```
frank:
   postgres_user.present
```

```
salt.states.postgres_user.absent(name, runas=None, user=None, maintenance_db=None, db_password=None, db_host=None, db_port=None, db user=None)
```

Ensure that the named user is absent

name The username of the user to remove

runas System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

New in version 0.17.0.

db_user database username if different from config or default

db_password user password if any password for a specified user

db_host Database host if different from config or default

db_port Database port if different from config or default

```
salt.states.postgres_user.present (name, createdb=None, createroles=None, createroles=None, createroles=None, superuser=None, replication=None, inherit=None, login=None, password=None, groups=None, runas=None, user=None, maintenance_db=None, db_password=None, db_host=None, db_port=None, db_user=None)
```

Ensure that the named user is present with the specified privileges Please note that the user/group notion in postgresql is just abstract, we have roles, where users can be seens as roles with the LOGIN privilege and groups the others.

name The name of the user to manage

createdb Is the user allowed to create databases?

createroles Is the user allowed to create other users?

createuser Alias to create roles

encrypted Should the password be encrypted in the system catalog?

login Should the group have login perm

inherit Should the group inherit permissions

superuser Should the new user be a "superuser"

replication Should the new user be allowed to initiate streaming replication

password The user's password It can be either a plain string or a md5 postgresql hashed password:

```
'md5{MD50F({password}{role}}'
```

If encrypted is None or True, the password will be automatically encrypted to the previous format if it is not already done.

groups A string of comma separated groups the user should be in

runas System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.

user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of

New in version 0.17.0.

```
db_user database username if different from config or default
```

db_password user password if any password for a specified user

db_host Database host if different from config or default

db_port Database port if different from config or default

20.25.61 salt.states.postgres extension

Management of PostgreSQL extensions (eg: postgis)

The postgres_users module is used to create and manage Postgres extensions.

db_user database username if different from config or default

```
adminpack:
  postgres_extension.present
salt.states.postgres_extension.absent (name,
                                                             if_exists=None,
                                                                               restrict=None,
                                                   cade=None, user=None, maintenance_db=None,
                                                    db_password=None, db_host=None, db_port=None,
                                                    db_user=None)
     Ensure that the named user is absent
     name Extension username of the extension to remove
     cascade Drop on cascade
     if_exists Add if exist slug
     restrict Add restrict slug
     maintenance db Database to act on
     user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of
     db_user database username if different from config or default
     db_password user password if any password for a specified user
     db_host Database host if different from config or default
     db_port Database port if different from config or default
                                                                                       schema=None,
salt.states.postgres_extension.present (name,
                                                                if_not_exists=None,
                                                     ext version=None,
                                                                                  from version=None,
                                                     user=None,
                                                                               maintenance db=None,
                                                     db_password=None,
                                                                                       db host=None,
                                                     db port=None, db user=None)
     Ensure that the named user is present with the specified privileges
     name The name of the extension to manage
     if not exists Add a if not exists switch to the ddl statement
     schema Schema to install the extension into
     from_version Old extension version if already installed
     ext_version version to install
     user System user all operations should be performed on behalf of
     maintenance_db Database to act on
```

db_password user password if any password for a specified user

db_host Database host if different from config or default

db_port Database port if different from config or default

20.25.62 salt.states.powerpath

Powerpath configuration support

Allows configuration of EMC Powerpath. Currently only addition/deletion of licenses is supported.

```
key:
    powerpath:
        - license_present

salt.states.powerpath.license_absent (name)
        Ensures that the specified PowerPath license key is absent on the host.
        name The licnese key to ensure is absent

salt.states.powerpath.license_present (name)
        Ensures that the specified PowerPath license key is present on the host.
        name The licnese key to ensure is present
```

20.25.63 salt.states.process

Process Management

Ensure a process matching a given pattern is absent.

```
httpd-absent:
    process.absent:
    - name: apache2

salt.states.process.absent (name)
    Ensures that the named command is not running.
    name The pattern to match.
```

20.25.64 salt.states.quota

Management of POSIX Quotas

The quota can be managed for the system:

```
/:
    quota.mode:
    mode: off
    quotatype: user

salt.states.quota.mode(name, mode, quotatype)
    Set the quota for the system
    name The filesystem to set the quota mode on
```

```
mode Whether the quota system is 'on' or 'off'quotatype Need to be 'user' or 'group'
```

20.25.65 salt.states.rabbitmq_cluster

Manage RabbitMQ Clusters

Example:

```
rabbit@rabbit.example.com:
    rabbitmq_cluster.join:
    - user: rabbit
    - host: rabbit.example.com

salt.states.rabbitmq_cluster.join (name, host, user='rabbit', runas=None)
    Ensure the RabbitMQ plugin is enabled.

name Irrelavent, not used (recommended: user@host)

user The user to join the cluster as (default: rabbit)
host The cluster host to join to
runas The user to run the rabbitmq-plugin command as
```

20.25.66 salt.states.rabbitmq_plugin

Manage RabbitMQ Plugins

```
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

Example:

```
some_plugin:
    rabbitmq_plugin:
    - enabled

salt.states.rabbitmq_plugin.disabled(name, runas=None)
    Ensure the RabbitMQ plugin is enabled.

name The name of the plugin
    runas The user to run the rabbitmq-plugin command as

salt.states.rabbitmq_plugin.enabled(name, runas=None)
    Ensure the RabbitMQ plugin is enabled.

name The name of the plugin
runas The user to run the rabbitmq-plugin command as
```

20.25.67 salt.states.rabbitmq_policy

Manage RabbitMQ Policies

```
maintainer Benn Eichhorn <br/> <br/> denn@getlocalmeasure.com> maturity new
```

platform all

```
Example:
```

```
rabbit_policy:
    rabbitmq_policy.present:
         - name: HA
         - pattern: '.*'
         - definition: '{"ha-mode": "all"}'
salt.states.rabbitmq_policy.absent (name, vhost='/', runas=None)
     Ensure the named policy is absent
     Reference: http://www.rabbitmq.com/ha.html
     name The name of the policy to remove
     runas Name of the user to run the command as
salt.states.rabbitmq_policy.present(name, pattern, definition, priority=0,
                                                                                        vhost='/'
                                               runas=None)
     Ensure the RabbitMQ policy exists.
     Reference: http://www.rabbitmq.com/ha.html
     name Policy name
     pattern A regex of queues to apply the policy to
     definition A json dict describing the policy
     priority Priority (defaults to 0)
     vhost Virtual host to apply to (defaults to '/')
     runas Name of the user to run the command as
```

20.25.68 salt.states.rabbitmq_user

Manage RabbitMQ Users

Example:

```
rabbit_user:
    rabbitmq_user.present:
        - password: password
        - force: True
        - tags: administrator
        - perms:
        - '/':
              - '.*'
              - '.*'
              - '.*'
              - runas: rabbitmq
salt.states.rabbitmq_user.absent (name, runas=None)
        Ensure the named user is absent
        name The name of the user to remove
        runas User to run the command
```

```
Ensure the RabbitMQ user exists.

name User name

password User's password, if one needs to be set

force If user exists, forcibly change the password

tags Optionally set user tags for user

perms A list of dicts with vhost keys and 3-tuple values

runas Name of the user to run the command
```

Manage RabbitMQ Virtual Hosts

```
Example:
```

```
virtual_host:
    rabbitmq_vhost.present:
         - user: rabbit_user
         - conf: .*
         - write: .*
         - read: .*
salt.states.rabbitmq_vhost.absent (name, runas=None)
     Ensure the RabbitMQ Virtual Host is absent
     name Name of the Virtual Host to remove
     runas User to run the command
salt.states.rabbitmq_vhost.present(name, user=None, owner=None, conf=None, write=None,
                                               read=None, runas=None)
     Ensure the RabbitMQ VHost exists.
     name VHost name
     user Initial user permission to set on the VHost, if present .. deprecated:: 0.17.0
     owner Initial owner permission to set on the VHost, if present
     conf Initial conf string to apply to the VHost and user. Defaults to .*
     write Initial write permissions to apply to the VHost and user. Defaults to .*
     read Initial read permissions to apply to the VHost and user. Defaults to .*
     runas Name of the user to run the command
```

20.25.70 salt.states.rbenv

Managing Ruby installations with rbenv

This module is used to install and manage ruby installations with rbenv. Different versions of ruby can be installed, and uninstalled. Rbenv will be installed automatically the first time it is needed and can be updated later. This module will *not* automatically install packages which rbenv will need to compile the versions of ruby.

If rbenv is run as the root user then it will be installed to /usr/local/rbenv, otherwise it will be installed to the users ~/.rbenv directory. To make rbenv available in the shell you may need to add the rbenv/shims and rbenv/bin directories to the users PATH. If you are installing as root and want other users to be able to access rbenv then you will need to add RBENV_ROOT to their environment.

This is how a state configuration could look like:

```
rbenv-deps:
  pkq.installed:
     - pkgs:
       - bash
       - git
       - openssl
       - gmake
       - curl
ruby-1.9.3-p392:
  rbenv.absent:
     - require:
       - pkg: rbenv-deps
ruby-1.9.3-p429:
  rbenv.installed:
     - default: True
     - require:
       - pkg: rbenv-deps
salt.states.rbenv.absent(name, runas=None, user=None)
     Verify that the specified ruby is not installed with rbenv. Rbenv is installed if necessary.
     name The version of ruby to uninstall
     runas: None The user to run rbenv as.
           Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user: None The user to run rbenv as.
           New in version 0.17.0.
     New in version 0.16.0.
salt.states.rbenv.install rbenv(name, user=None)
     Install rbenv if not installed. Allows you to require rbenv be installed prior to installing the plugins. Useful if
     you want to install rbenv plugins via the git or file modules and need them installed before installing any rubies.
     Use the rbenv.root configuration option to set the path for rbenv if you want a system wide install that is not in
     a user home dir.
     user: None The user to run rbenv as.
salt.states.rbenv.installed(name, default=False, runas=None, user=None)
     Verify that the specified ruby is installed with rbenv. Rbenv is installed if necessary.
     name The version of ruby to install
     default [False] Whether to make this ruby the default.
     runas: None The user to run rbenv as.
           Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user: None The user to run rbenv as.
```

New in version 0.17.0.

New in version 0.16.0.

20.25.71 salt.states.rdp

```
Manage RDP Service on Windows servers

salt.states.rdp.disabled(name)

Disable RDP the service on the server

salt.states.rdp.enabled(name)

Enable RDP the service on the server
```

20.25.72 salt.states.reg

Manage the registry on Windows

```
salt.states.reg.present (name, value, vtype='REG_DWORD', reflection=True)
Set a registry entry
```

Optionally set reflection to False to disable reflection. reflection has no effect on 32-bit os.

In the example below, this will prevent Windows from silently creating the key in:: 'HKEY CURRENT USERSOFTWAREWow6432NodeSaltversion'

Example::

${\bf `HKEY_CURRENT_USERSOFTWARE Saltversion':}$

reg.present:

value: 0.15.3vtype: REG_SZreflection: False

20.25.73 salt.states.rvm

Managing Ruby installations and gemsets with Ruby Version Manager (RVM)

This module is used to install and manage ruby installations and gemsets with RVM, the Ruby Version Manager. Different versions of ruby can be installed and gemsets created. RVM itself will be installed automatically if it's not present. This module will not automatically install packages that RVM depends on or ones that are needed to build ruby. If you want to run RVM as an unprivileged user (recommended) you will have to create this user yourself. This is how a state configuration could look like:

```
rvm:
    group:
        - present
    user.present:
        - gid: rvm
        - home: /home/rvm
        - require:
             - group: rvm

rvm-deps:
    pkg.installed:
        - names:
```

```
- bash
      - coreutils
      - gzip
      - bzip2
      - gawk
      - sed
      - curl
      - git-core
      - subversion
mri-deps:
  pkg.installed:
    - names:
      - build-essential
      - openssl
      - libreadline6
      - libreadline6-dev
      - curl
      - git-core
      - zlib1g
      - zlib1g-dev
      - libssl-dev
      - libyaml-dev
      - libsqlite3-0
      - libsqlite3-dev
      - sqlite3
      - libxml2-dev
      - libxslt1-dev
      - autoconf
      - libc6-dev
      - libncurses5-dev
      - automake
      - libtool
      - bison
      - subversion
      - ruby
jruby-deps:
  pkg.installed:
    - names:
      - curl
      - g++
      - openjdk-6-jre-headless
ruby-1.9.2:
  rvm.installed:
    - default: True
    - user: rvm
    - require:
      - pkg: rvm-deps
      - pkg: mri-deps
      - user: rvm
jruby:
  rvm.installed:
    - user: rvm
    - require:
      - pkg: rvm-deps
```

```
- pkg: jruby-deps
       - user: rvm
jgemset:
  rvm.gemset_present:
    - ruby: jruby
     - user: rvm
    - require:
       - rvm: jruby
mygemset:
  rvm.gemset_present:
    - ruby: ruby-1.9.2
    - user: rvm
    - require:
       - rvm: ruby-1.9.2
salt.states.rvm.gemset_present (name, ruby='default', runas=None, user=None)
     Verify that the gemset is present.
     name The name of the gemset.
     ruby: default The ruby version this gemset belongs to.
     runas: None The user to run rvm as.
          Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user: None The user to run rvm as.
          New in version 0.17.0.
salt.states.rvm.installed(name, default=False, runas=None, user=None)
     Verify that the specified ruby is installed with RVM. RVM is installed when necessary.
     name The version of ruby to install
     default [False] Whether to make this ruby the default.
     runas: None The user to run rvm as.
          Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
     user: None The user to run rvm as.
          New in version 0.17.0.
```

20.25.74 salt.states.saltmod

Control the Salt command interface

The Salt state is used to control the salt command interface. This state is intended for use primarily from the state runner from the master.

The salt.state declaration can call out a highstate or a list of sls:

```
webservers:
```

salt.state:

- tgt: 'web*'
- sls: apache django core

• salteny: prod

databasees:

salt.state:

• tgt: role:database

• tgt_type: grain

highstate: True

Execute a single module function on a remote minion via salt or salt-ssh

name The name of the function to run, aka cmd.run or pkg.install

tgt The target specification, aka '*' for all minions

tgt_type | expr_form The target type, defaults to glob

arg The list of arguments to pass into the function

kwarg The list of keyword arguments to pass into the function

ret Optionally set a single or a list of returners to use

ssh Set to True to use the ssh client instaed of the standard salt client

salt.states.saltmod.state (name, tgt, ssh=False, tgt_type=None, expr_form=None, ret='', highstate=None, sls=None, env=None, test=False, fail_minions=None, allow fail=0, concurrent=False, timeout=None)

Invoke a state run on a given target

name An arbitrary name used to track the state execution

tgt The target specification for the state run.

tgt_type | expr_form The target type to resolve, defaults to glob

ret Optionally set a single or a list of returners to use

highstate Defaults to None, if set to True the target systems will ignore any sls references specified in the sls option and call state.highstate on the targeted minions

sls A group of sls files to execute. This can be defined as a single string containing a single sls file, or a list of sls files

saltenv The default salt environment to pull sls files from

ssh Set to *True* to use the ssh client instaed of the standard salt client

roster In the event of using salt-ssh, a roster system can be set

fail_minions An optional list of targeted minions where failure is an option

concurrent Allow multiple state runs to occur at once.

WARNING: This flag is potentially dangerous. It is designed for use when multiple state runs can safely be run at the same Do not use this flag for performance optimization.

20.25.75 salt.states.selinux

Management of SELinux rules

If SELinux is available for the running system, the mode can be managed and booleans can be set.

```
enforcing:
    selinux.mode

samba_create_home_dirs:
    selinux.boolean:
    - value: True
    - persist: True
```

Note: Use of these states require that the selinux execution module is available.

```
salt.states.selinux.boolean (name, value, persist=False)
Set up an SELinux boolean

name The name of the boolean to set

value The value to set on the boolean

persist Defaults to False, set persist to true to make the boolean apply on a reboot

salt.states.selinux.mode (name)

Verifies the mode SELinux is running in, can be set to enforcing or permissive

name The mode to run SELinux in, permissive or enforcing
```

20.25.76 salt.states.service

Starting or restarting of services and daemons

Services are defined as system daemons typically started with system init or rc scripts, services can be defined as running or dead.

```
httpd:
    service:
    - running
```

The service can also be set to be started at runtime via the enable option:

```
openvpn:
    service:
        - running
        - enable: True
```

By default if a service is triggered to refresh due to a watch statement the service is by default restarted. If the desired behaviour is to reload the service, then set the reload value to True:

```
redis:
    service:
        - running
        - enable: True
        - reload: True
        - watch:
        - pkg: redis
```

Note: More details regarding watch can be found in the *Requisites* documentation.

salt.states.service.dead(name, enable=None, sig=None, **kwargs)

Ensure that the named service is dead by stopping the service if it is running

name The name of the init or rc script used to manage the service

enable Set the service to be enabled at boot time, True sets the service to be enabled, False sets the named service to be disabled. The default is None, which does not enable or disable anything.

sig The string to search for when looking for the service process with ps

```
salt.states.service.disabled(name, **kwargs)
```

Verify that the service is disabled on boot, only use this state if you don't want to manage the running process, remember that if you want to disable a service to use the enable: False option for the running or dead function.

name The name of the init or rc script used to manage the service

```
salt.states.service.enabled(name, **kwargs)
```

Verify that the service is enabled on boot, only use this state if you don't want to manage the running process, remember that if you want to enable a running service to use the enable: True option for the running or dead function.

name The name of the init or rc script used to manage the service

salt.states.service.mod_watch (name, sfun=None, sig=None, reload=False, full_restart=False)
The service watcher, called to invoke the watch command.

name The name of the init or rc script used to manage the service

sfun The original function which triggered the mod_watch call (*service.running*, for example). Currently not used, but must be supported for the future.

sig The string to search for when looking for the service process with ps

```
salt.states.service.running(name, enable=None, sig=None, **kwargs)
```

Verify that the service is running

name The name of the init or rc script used to manage the service

enable Set the service to be enabled at boot time, True sets the service to be enabled, False sets the named service to be disabled. The default is None, which does not enable or disable anything.

sig The string to search for when looking for the service process with ps

20.25.77 salt.states.ssh_auth

Control of entries in SSH authorized_key files

The information stored in a user's SSH authorized key file can be easily controlled via the ssh_auth state. Defaults can be set by the enc, options, and comment keys. These defaults can be overridden by including them in the name.

Since the YAML specification limits the length of simple keys to 1024 characters, and since SSH keys are often longer than that, you may have to use a YAML 'explicit key', as demonstrated in the second example below.

```
AAAAB3NzaC1kc3MAAACBAL0sQ9fJ5bYTEyY==:
    ssh_auth:
        present
        user: root
        enc: ssh-dss
```

```
? AAAAB3NzaC1kc3MAAACBAL0sQ9fJ5bYTEyY==...
  ssh_auth:
    - present
      user: root
    - enc: ssh-dss
thatch:
  ssh_auth:
    - present
    - user: root
    - source: salt://ssh_keys/thatch.id_rsa.pub
sshkevs:
  ssh_auth:
    - present
    - user: root
    - enc: ssh-rsa
    - options:
       - option1="value1"
       - option2="value2 flag2"
    - comment: myuser
    - names:
       - AAAAB3NzaC1kc3MAAACBAL0sQ9fJ5bYTEyY==
       - ssh-dss AAAAB3NzaCL0sQ9fJ5bYTEyY== user@domain
       - option3="value3" ssh-dss AAAAB3NzaC1kcQ9J5bYTEyY== other@testdomain
       - AAAAB3NzaC1kcQ9fJFF435bYTEyY== newcomment
salt.states.ssh_auth.absent(name, user, enc='ssh-rsa', comment='', options=None, con-
                                    fig='.ssh/authorized_keys')
     Verifies that the specified SSH key is absent
     name The SSH key to manage
     user The user who owns the SSH authorized keys file to modify
     enc Defines what type of key is being used; can be ecdsa, ssh-rsa or ssh-dss
     comment The comment to be placed with the SSH public key
     options The options passed to the key, pass a list object
     config The location of the authorized keys file relative to the user's home directory, defaults to
          ".ssh/authorized kevs"
salt.states.ssh_auth.present(name, user, enc='ssh-rsa', comment='', source='', options=None,
                                      config='.ssh/authorized_keys', **kwargs)
     Verifies that the specified SSH key is present for the specified user
     name The SSH key to manage
     user The user who owns the SSH authorized keys file to modify
     enc Defines what type of key is being used; can be ecdsa, ssh-rsa or ssh-dss
     comment The comment to be placed with the SSH public key
     source The source file for the key(s). Can contain any number of public keys, in standard "authorized_keys"
          format. If this is set, comment, enc, and options will be ignored.
```

Note: The source file must contain keys in the format <enc> <key> <comment>. If you have generated

a keypair using PuTTYgen, then you will need to do the following to retrieve an OpenSSH-compatible public key.

- 1.In PuTTYgen, click Load, and select the private key file (not the public key), and click Open.
- 2.Copy the public key from the box labeled Public key for pasting into OpenSSH authorized_keys file.
- 3. Paste it into a new file.

options The options passed to the key, pass a list object

config The location of the authorized keys file relative to the user's home directory, defaults to ".ssh/authorized_keys"

20.25.78 salt.states.ssh known hosts

Control of SSH known_hosts entries

Manage the information stored in the known_hosts files.

```
github.com:
    ssh_known_hosts:
        present
        user: root
        fingerprint: 16:27:ac:a5:76:28:2d:36:63:1b:56:4d:eb:df:a6:48

example.com:
        ssh_known_hosts:
            absent
            user: root

salt.states.ssh_known_hosts.absent (name, user, config='.ssh/known_hosts')
        Verifies that the specified host is not known by the given user
```

name The host name

user The user who owns the ssh authorized keys file to modify

config The location of the authorized keys file relative to the user's home directory, defaults to ".ssh/known_hosts"

Verifies that the specified host is known by the specified user

On many systems, specifically those running with openssh 4 or older, the enc option must be set, only openssh 5 and above can detect the key type.

name The name of the remote host (e.g. "github.com")

user The user who owns the ssh authorized keys file to modify

enc Defines what type of key is being used, can be ecdsa ssh-rsa or ssh-dss

fingerprint The fingerprint of the key which must be presented in the known_hosts file

port optional parameter, denoting the port of the remote host, which will be used in case, if the public key will be requested from it. By default the port 22 is used.

config The location of the authorized keys file relative to the user's home directory, defaults to ".ssh/known hosts"

hash_hostname [True] Hash all hostnames and addresses in the output.

20.25.79 salt.states.stateconf

Stateconf System

The stateconf system is intended for use only with the stateconf renderer. This State module presents the set function. This function does not execute any functionality, but is used to interact with the stateconf renderer.

```
salt.states.stateconf.context (name, **kwargs)
    No-op state to support state config via the stateconf renderer.
salt.states.stateconf.set (name, **kwargs)
    No-op state to support state config via the stateconf renderer.
```

20.25.80 salt.states.status

Minion status monitoring

Maps to the status execution module.

```
salt.states.status.loadavg (name, maximum=None, minimum=None)
Return the current load average for the specified minion. Available values for name are 1-min, 5-min and 15-min.
minimum and maximum values should be passed in as strings.
```

20.25.81 salt.states.supervisord

Interaction with the Supervisor daemon

```
salt.states.supervisord.mod_watch (name, restart=True, update=False, user=None, runas=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)

salt.states.supervisord.running (name, restart=False, update=False, user=None, runas=None, conf_file=None, bin_env=None)

Ensure the named service is running.

name Service name as defined in the supervisor configuration file

restart Whether to force a restart

update Whether to update the supervisor configuration.

runas Name of the user to run the supervisored command

Deprecated since version 0.17.0.
```

user Name of the user to run the supervisorctl command

New in version 0.17.0.

conf file path to supervisored config file

bin_env path to supervisorctl bin or path to virtualenv with supervisor installed

20.25.82 salt.states.svn

Manage SVN repositories

Manage repository checkouts via the svn vcs system:

```
http://unladen-swallow.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/:
  svn.latest:
    - target: /tmp/swallow
salt.states.svn.dirty(name,
                                      target, user=None,
                                                             username=None,
                                                                                password=None,
                                                                                                   ig-
                              nore unversioned=False)
     Determine if the working directory has been changed.
salt.states.svn.export(name, target=None, rev=None, user=None, username=None, pass-
                               word=None, force=False, externals=True, trust=False)
     Export a file or directory from an SVN repository
     name Address and path to the file or directory to be exported.
     target Name of the target directory where the checkout will put the working directory
     rev [None] The name revision number to checkout. Enable "force" if the directory already exists.
     user [None] Name of the user performing repository management operations
     username [None] The user to access the name repository with. The svn default is the current user
     password Connect to the Subversion server with this password
          New in version 0.17.0.
     force [False] Continue if conflicts are encountered
     externals [True] Change to False to not checkout or update externals
```

salt.states.svn.latest(name, target=None, rev=None, user=None, username=None, pass-

Checkout or update the working directory to the latest revision from the remote repository.

word=None, force=False, externals=True, trust=False)

trust [False] Automatically trust the remote server. SVN's -trust-server-cert

```
name Address of the name repository as passed to "svn checkout"
```

target Name of the target directory where the checkout will put the working directory

rev [None] The name revision number to checkout. Enable "force" if the directory already exists.

user [None] Name of the user performing repository management operations

username [None] The user to access the name repository with. The svn default is the current user

password Connect to the Subversion server with this password

New in version 0.17.0.

force [False] Continue if conflicts are encountered

externals [True] Change to False to not checkout or update externals

trust [False] Automatically trust the remote server. SVN's -trust-server-cert

20.25.83 salt.states.sysctl

Configuration of the Linux kernel using sysctrl

Control the kernel sysctl system.

```
vm.swappiness:
    sysctl.present:
        - value: 20
salt.states.sysctl.present(name, value, config=None)
```

Ensure that the named sysctl value is set in memory and persisted to the named configuration file. The default sysctl configuration file is /etc/sysctl.conf

name The name of the sysctl value to edit

value The sysctl value to apply

config The location of the sysctl configuration file. If not specified, the proper location will be detected based on platform.

20.25.84 salt.states.timezone

Management of timezones

The timezone can be managed for the system:

```
America/Denver: timezone.system
```

The system and the hardware clock are not necessarily set to the same time. By default, the hardware clock is set to localtime, meaning it is set to the same time as the system clock. If *utc* is set to True, then the hardware clock will be set to UTC, and the system clock will be an offset of that.

```
America/Denver:
   timezone.system:
        - utc: True
```

The Ubuntu community documentation contains an explanation of this setting, as it applies to systems that dual-boot with Windows. This is explained in greater detail here.

```
salt.states.timezone.system (name, utc='')
Set the timezone for the system.

name The name of the timezone to use (e.g.: America/Denver)
utc Whether or not to set the hardware clock to UTC (default is True)
```

20.25.85 salt.states.tomcat

This state uses the manager webapp to manage Apache tomcat webapps This state requires the manager webapp to be enabled

The following grains/pillar should be set:

```
tomcat-manager.user: admin user name
tomcat-manager.passwd: password
```

and also configure a user in the conf/tomcat-users.xml file:

Notes:

- · Not supported multiple version on the same context path
- More information about tomcat manager: http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/manager-howto.html
- if you use only this module for deployments you might want to restrict access to the manager so its only accessible via localhost for more info: http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/manager-howto.html#Configuring Manager Application Access
- · Tested on:

JVM Vendor: Sun Microsystems Inc.

JVM Version: 1.6.0_43-b01 **OS Architecture:** amd64

OS Name: Linux

OS Version: 2.6.32-358.el6.x86_64

Tomcat Version: Apache Tomcat/7.0.37

salt.states.tomcat.mod_watch(name, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)

The tomcat watcher function. When called it will reload the webapp in question

salt.states.tomcat.undeployed(name, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180) Enforce that the WAR will be un-deployed from the server

name the context path to deploy

url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp

timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request to the tomcat manager

Example:

```
jenkins:
    tomcat.undeployed:
        - name: /ran
        - require:
        - service: application-service

salt.states.tomcat.wait (name, url='http://localhost:8080/manager', timeout=180)
Wait for the tomcat manager to load
```

Notice that if tomcat is not running we won't wait for it start and the state will fail. This state can be required in the tomcat.war_deployed state to make sure tomcat is running and that the manager is running as well and ready for deployment

url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp

timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request to the tomcat manager

Example:

```
tomcat-service:
       service:
         - running
        - name: tomcat
         - enable: True
    wait-for-tomcatmanager:
       tomcat:
         - wait
        - timeout: 300
         - require:
           - service: tomcat-service
     jenkins:
       tomcat:
         - war_deployed
         - name: /ran
        - war: salt://jenkins-1.2.4.war
         - require:
           - tomcat: wait-for-tomcatmanager
                                                  url='http://localhost:8080/manager',
salt.states.tomcat.war_deployed(name,
                                            war,
```

Enforce that the WAR will be deployed and started in the context path it will make use of WAR versions

for more info: http://tomcat.apache.org/tomcat-7.0-doc/config/context.html#Naming

name the context path to deploy

war absolute path to WAR file (should be accessible by the user running tomcat) or a path supported by the salt.modules.cp.get_url function

url [http://localhost:8080/manager] the URL of the server manager webapp

timeout [180] timeout for HTTP request to the tomcat manager

Example:

```
jenkins:
  tomcat.war_deployed:
    - name: /ran
    - war: salt://jenkins-1.2.4.war
```

```
- require:
   - service: application-service
```

20.25.86 salt.states.user

Management of user accounts

The user module is used to create and manage user settings, users can be set as either absent or present

```
fred:
  user.present:
    - fullname: Fred Jones
    - shell: /bin/zsh
    - home: /home/fred
    - uid: 4000
    - gid: 4000
    - groups:
      - wheel
      - storage
      - games
testuser:
  user.absent
salt.states.user.absent (name, purge=False, force=False)
     Ensure that the named user is absent
     name The name of the user to remove
     purge Set purge to delete all of the user's files as well as the user
```

force If the user is logged in the absent state will fail, set the force option to True to remove the user even if they are logged in. Not supported in FreeBSD and Solaris.

```
salt.states.user.present (name, uid=None, gid=None, gid_from_name=False, groups=None, optional_groups=None, remove_groups=True, home=None, create-home=True, password=None, enforce_password=True, shell=None, unique=True, system=False, fullname=None, roomnumber=None, work-phone=None, homephone=None, date=None, mindays=None, max-days=None, inactdays=None, warndays=None, expire=None)
```

Ensure that the named user is present with the specified properties

name The name of the user to manage

uid The user id to assign, if left empty then the next available user id will be assigned

gid The default group id

gid_from_name If True, the default group id will be set to the id of the group with the same name as the user.

groups A list of groups to assign the user to, pass a list object. If a group specified here does not exist on the minion, the state will fail. If set to the empty list, the user will be removed from all groups except the default group.

optional_groups A list of groups to assign the user to, pass a list object. If a group specified here does not exist on the minion, the state will silently ignore it.

NOTE: If the same group is specified in both "groups" and "optional_groups", then it will be assumed to be required and not optional.

remove_groups Remove groups that the user is a member of that weren't specified in the state, True by default

home The location of the home directory to manage

createhome If True, the home directory will be created if it doesn't exist. Please note that directories leading up to the home directory will NOT be created.

password A password hash to set for the user. This field is only supported on Linux, FreeBSD, NetBSD, OpenBSD, and Solaris.

Changed in version 0.16.0: BSD support added.

enforce_password Set to False to keep the password from being changed if it has already been set and the password hash differs from what is specified in the "password" field. This option will be ignored if "password" is not specified.

shell The login shell, defaults to the system default shell

unique Require a unique UID, True by default

system Choose UID in the range of FIRST_SYSTEM_UID and LAST_SYSTEM_UID.

User comment field (GECOS) support (currently Linux, FreeBSD, and MacOS only):

The below values should be specified as strings to avoid ambiguities when the values are loaded. (Especially the phone and room number fields which are likely to contain numeric data)

fullname The user's full name

roomnumber The user's room number (not supported in MacOS)

workphone The user's work phone number (not supported in MacOS)

homephone The user's home phone number (not supported in MacOS)

Changed in version Helium: Shadow attribute support added.

Shadow attributes support (currently Linux only):

The below values should be specified as integers.

date Date of last change of password, represented in days since epoch (January 1, 1970).

mindays The minimum number of days between password changes.

maxdays The maximum number of days between password changes.

inactdays The number of days after a password expires before an account is locked.

warndays Number of days prior to maxdays to warn users.

expire Date that account expires, represented in days since epoch (January 1, 1970).

20.25.87 salt.states.virtualenv

Setup of Python virtualenv sandboxes

```
salt.states.virtualenv_mod.managed(name,
                                                           venv bin=None,
                                                                                 requirements=None,
                                               no_site_packages=None,
                                                                         system_site_packages=False,
                                               distribute=False,
                                                                   use wheel=False,
                                                                                        clear=False,
                                               python=None,
                                                                              extra_search_dir=None,
                                               never_download=None, prompt=None,
                                                                                         user=None,
                                               runas=None,
                                                                                         cwd=None.
                                                                no chown=False,
                                                                               extra_index_url=None.
                                               index url=None,
                                               pre_releases=False,
                                                                                     no_deps=False,
                                               pip_exists_action=None)
     Create a virtualenv and optionally manage it with pip
     name Path to the virtualenv
     requirements Path to a pip requirements file. If the path begins with salt:// the file will be transferred from
          the master file server.
     cwd Path to the working directory where "pip install" is executed.
     use_wheel [False] Prefer wheel archives (requires pip>=1.4)
     no_deps: False Pass -no-deps to pip.
     pip_exists_action: None Default action of pip when a path already exists: (s)witch, (i)gnore, (w)wipe,
          (b)ackup
     Also accepts any kwargs that the virtualenv module will.
     /var/www/myvirtualenv.com:
       virtualenv.managed:
          - system_site_packages: False
```

20.25.88 salt.states.win_dns_client

```
Module for configuring DNS Client on Windows systems
```

- requirements: salt://REQUIREMENTS.txt

```
salt.states.win_dns_client.dns_dhcp (name, interface='Local Area Connection')
    Configure the DNS server list from DHCP Server
salt.states.win_dns_client.dns_exists (name, servers=None, interface='Local Area Connection')
    Configure the DNS server list in the specified interface
    Example:
```

```
config_dns_servers:
   win_dns_client.dns_exists:
      - servers:
      - 8.8.8.8
      - 8.8.8.9
```

20.25.89 salt.states.win_firewall

State for configuring Windows Firewall

```
salt.states.win_firewall.disabled(name)
Disable all the firewall profiles (Windows only)
```

20.25.90 salt.states.win_network

Configuration of network interfaces on Windows hosts

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

This module provides the network state(s) on Windows hosts. DNS servers, IP addresses and default gateways can currently be managed.

Below is an example of the configuration for an interface that uses DHCP for both DNS servers and IP addresses:

```
Local Area Connection #2:
  network.managed:
    - dns_proto: dhcp
    - ip_proto: dhcp
```

Note: Both the dns_proto and ip_proto arguments are required.

Static DNS and IP addresses can be configured like so:

```
Local Area Connection #2:
network.managed:
- dns_proto: static
- dns_servers:
- 8.8.8.8
- 8.8.4.4
- ip_proto: static
- ip_addrs:
- 10.2.3.4/24
```

Note: IP addresses are specified using the format <ip-address>/<subnet-length>. Salt provides a convenience function called ip.get_subnet_length to calculate the subnet length from a netmask.

Optionally, if you are setting a static IP address, you can also specify the default gateway using the gateway parameter:

```
Local Area Connection #2:
network.managed:
- dns_proto: static
- dns_servers:
- 8.8.8.8
- 8.8.4.4
- ip_proto: static
- ip_addrs:
- 10.2.3.4/24
- gateway: 10.2.3.1
```

salt.states.win_network.managed(name, dns_proto=None, dns_servers=None, ip_proto=None, ip_addrs=None, gateway=None, enabled=True, **kwargs)

Ensure that the named interface is configured properly.

name The name of the interface to manage

dns_proto [None] Set to static and use the dns_servers parameter to provide a list of DNS nameservers. set to dhop to use DHCP to get the DNS servers.

dns_servers [None] A list of static DNS servers.

ip_proto [None] Set to static and use the ip_addrs and (optionally) gateway parameters to provide a list of static IP addresses and the default gateway. Set to dhop to use DHCP.

ip_addrs [None] A list of static IP addresses.

gateway [None] A list of static IP addresses.

enabled [True] Set to False to ensure that this interface is disabled.

20.25.91 salt.states.win_path

Manage the Windows System PATH

```
salt.states.win_path.absent (name)
```

Remove the directory from the SYSTEM path

index: where the directory should be placed in the PATH (default: 0)

Example:

```
'C:\sysinternals':
   win_path.absent
```

salt.states.win_path.exists(name, index=None)

Add the directory to the system PATH at index location

index: where the directory should be placed in the PATH (default: None) [Note: Providing no index will append directory to PATH and will not enforce its location within the PATH.]

Example:

```
'C:\python27':
   win_path.exists
'C:\sysinternals':
   win_path.exists:
   index: 0
```

20.25.92 salt.states.win_servermanager

Manage Windows features via the ServerManager powershell module

```
salt.states.win_servermanager.installed(name, recurse=False, force=False)
```

Install the windows feature

name: short name of the feature (the right column in win_servermanager.list_available)

recurse: install all sub-features as well

force: if the feature is installed but on of its sub-features are not installed set this to True to force the installation of the sub-features

Note: Some features requires reboot after un/installation, if so until the server is restarted Other features can not be installed!

20.25.93 salt.states.win system

Management of Windows system information

```
New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)
```

This state is used to manage system information such as the computer name and description.

```
ERIK-WORKSTATION:
    system:
        - computer_name

This is Erik's computer, don't touch!:
    system:
        - computer_desc

salt.states.win_system.computer_desc(name)
        Manage the computer's description field
        name The desired computer description

salt.states.win_system.computer_name(name)
        Manage the computer's name

name The desired computer name
```

20.25.94 salt.states.xmpp

Sending Messages over XMPP

New in version 2014.1.0: (Hydrogen)

server-warning-message:

This state is useful for firing messages during state runs, using the XMPP protocol

```
xmpp.send_msg:
    - name: 'This is a server warning message'
    - profile: my-xmpp-account
    - recipient: admins@xmpp.example.com/salt

salt.states.xmpp.send_msg(name, recipient, profile)
    Send a message to an XMPP user

    server-warning-message:
    xmpp.send_msg:
        - name: 'This is a server warning message'
        - profile: my-xmpp-account
        - recipient: admins@xmpp.example.com/salt
```

name The message to send to the XMPP user

20.25.95 salt.states.zcbuildout

Management of zc.buildout

This module is inspired from minitage's buildout maker (https://github.com/minitage/minitage/blob/master/src/minitage/core/makers/bui

New in version Boron.

Note: This state module is beta; the API is subject to change and no promise as to performance or functionality is yet present

Available Functions

• built

```
installed1
       buildout.installed:
          - name: /path/to/buildout
     installed2
       buildout.installed:
          - name: /path/to/buildout
          - parts:
             - a
             - b
          - python: /path/to/pythonpath/bin/python
          - unless: /bin/test_something_installed
          - onlyif: /bin/test_else_installed
salt.states.zcbuildout.installed(name, config='buildout.cfg', quiet=False, parts=None,
                                            runas=None,
                                                                  env=(),
                                                                                  buildout ver=None,
                                            test release=False, distribute=None, new st=None, of-
                                            fline=False, newest=False, python='/home/docs/bin/python',
                                            debug=False, verbose=False, unless=None, onlyif=None)
     Install buildout in a specific directory
     It is a thin wrapper to modules.buildout.buildout
     name directory to execute in
     quiet
          do not output console & logs
     config buildout config to use (default: buildout.cfg)
     parts specific buildout parts to run
     runas user used to run buildout as
     env environment variables to set when running
     buildout_ver force a specific buildout version (1 | 2)
     test release buildout accept test release
     new_st Forcing use of setuptools >= 0.7
     distribute use distribute over setuptools if possible
     offline does buildout run offline
     python python to use
     debug run buildout with -D debug flag
     onlyif Only execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
```

```
unless Do not execute cmd if statement on the host return 0
```

newest run buildout in newest mode

verbose run buildout in verbose mode (-vvvvv)

20.26 Execution Modules

Salt execution modules are the functions called by the **salt** command.

Note: Salt execution modules are different from state modules and cannot be called directly within state files. You must use the module state module to call execution modules within state runs.

See also:

Full list of builtin modules

Salt ships with many modules that cover a wide variety of tasks.

20.26.1 Modules Are Easy to Write!

Writing Salt execution modules is straightforward.

A Salt execution modules is a Python or Cython module placed in a directory called _modules/ within the file_roots as specified by the master config file. By default this is /srv/salt/_modules on Linux systems.

Modules placed in _modules/ will be synced to the minions when any of the following Salt functions are called:

```
state.highstate
saltutil.sync_modules
saltutil.sync_all
```

Note that a module's default name is its filename (i.e. foo.py becomes module foo), but that its name can be overridden by using a __virtual__function.

If a Salt module has errors and cannot be imported, the Salt minion will continue to load without issue and the module with errors will simply be omitted.

If adding a Cython module the file must be named <modulename>.pyx so that the loader knows that the module needs to be imported as a Cython module. The compilation of the Cython module is automatic and happens when the minion starts, so only the *.pyx file is required.

20.26.2 Cross-Calling Modules

All of the Salt execution modules are available to each other and modules can call functions available in other execution modules.

The variable __salt__ is packed into the modules after they are loaded into the Salt minion.

The __salt__ variable is a *Python dictionary* containing all of the Salt functions. Dictionary keys are strings representing the names of the modules and the values are the functions themselves.

Salt modules can be cross-called by accessing the value in the __salt__ dict:

```
def foo(bar):
    return __salt__['cmd.run'](bar)
```

This code will call the run function in the cmd and pass the argument bar to it.

20.26.3 Preloaded Execution Module Data

When interacting with execution modules often it is nice to be able to read information dynamically about the minion or to load in configuration parameters for a module.

Salt allows for different types of data to be loaded into the modules by the minion.

Grains Data

The values detected by the Salt Grains on the minion are available in a *dict* named __grains__ and can be accessed from within callable objects in the Python modules.

To see the contents of the grains dictionary for a given system in your deployment run the grains.items() function:

```
salt 'hostname' grains.items --output=pprint
```

Any value in a grains dictionary can be accessed as any other Python dictionary. For example, the grain representing the minion ID is stored in the id key and from an execution module, the value would be stored in __grains__['id'].

Module Configuration

Since parameters for configuring a module may be desired, Salt allows for configuration information from the minion configuration file to be passed to execution modules.

Since the minion configuration file is a YAML document, arbitrary configuration data can be passed in the minion config that is read by the modules. It is therefore **strongly** recommended that the values passed in the configuration file match the module name. A value intended for the test execution module should be named test.value.

The test execution module contains usage of the module configuration and the default configuration file for the minion contains the information and format used to pass data to the modules. salt.modules.test, conf/minion.

20.26.4 Printout Configuration

Since execution module functions can return different data, and the way the data is printed can greatly change the presentation, Salt has a printout configuration.

When writing a module the __outputter__ dictionary can be declared in the module. The __outputter__ dictionary contains a mapping of function name to Salt Outputter.

```
__outputter__ = {
    'run': 'txt'
}
```

This will ensure that the text outputter is used.

20.26.5 Virtual Modules

Sometimes an execution module should be presented in a generic way. A good example of this can be found in the package manager modules. The package manager changes from one operating system to another, but the Salt execution module that interfaces with the package manager can be presented in a generic way.

The Salt modules for package managers all contain a ___virtual___ function which is called to define what systems the module should be loaded on.

The __virtual__ function is used to return either a *string* or False. If False is returned then the module is not loaded, if a string is returned then the module is loaded with the name of the string.

This means that the package manager modules can be presented as the pkg module regardless of what the actual module is named.

The package manager modules are the best example of using the __virtual__ function. Some examples:

- · pacman.py
- · yumpkg.py
- · aptpkg.py

Note: Modules which return a string from ___virtual___ that is already used by a module that ships with Salt will _override_ the stock module.

20.26.6 Documentation

Salt execution modules are documented. The sys.doc() function will return the documentation for all available modules:

```
salt '*' sys.doc
```

The sys.doc function simply prints out the docstrings found in the modules; when writing Salt execution modules, please follow the formatting conventions for docstrings as they appear in the other modules.

Adding Documentation to Salt Modules

It is strongly suggested that all Salt modules have documentation added.

To add documenation add a Python docstring to the function.

```
def spam(eggs):
    ///
    A function to make some spam with eggs!

CLI Example::
    salt '*' test.spam eggs
///
return eggs
```

Now when the sys.doc call is executed the docstring will be cleanly returned to the calling terminal.

Documentation added to execution modules in docstrings will automatically be added to the online web-based documentation.

Add Execution Module Metadata

When writing a Python docstring for an execution module, add information about the module using the following field lists:

```
:maintainer: Thomas Hatch <thatch@saltstack.com, Seth House <shouse@saltstack.com>
:maturity: new
:depends: python-mysqldb
:platform: all
```

The maintainer field is a comma-delimited list of developers who help maintain this module.

The maturity field indicates the level of quality and testing for this module. Standard labels will be determined.

The depends field is a comma-delimited list of modules that this module depends on.

The platform field is a comma-delimited list of platforms that this module is known to run on.

20.26.7 Private Functions

In Salt, Python callable objects contained within an execution module are made available to the Salt minion for use. The only exception to this rule is a callable object with a name starting with an underscore .

Objects Loaded Into the Salt Minion

```
def foo(bar):
    return bar

class baz:
    def __init__(self, quo):
        pass
```

Objects NOT Loaded into the Salt Minion

```
def _foobar(baz): # Preceded with an _
    return baz

cheese = {} # Not a callable Python object
```

Note: Some callable names also end with an underscore _, to avoid keyword clashes with Python keywords. When using execution modules, or state modules, with these in them the trailing underscore should be omitted.

20.26.8 Useful Decorators for Modules

Depends Decorator

When writing execution modules there are many times where some of the module will work on all hosts but some functions have an external dependency, such as a service that needs to be installed or a binary that needs to be present on the system.

Instead of trying to wrap much of the code in large try/except blocks, a decorator can be used.

If the dependencies passed to the decorator don't exist, then the salt minion will remove those functions from the module on that host.

If a "fallback_function" is defined, it will replace the function instead of removing it

```
import logging
from salt.utils.decorators import depends
log = logging.getLogger(__name__)
    import dependency_that_sometimes_exists
except ImportError as e:
   log.trace('Failed to import dependency_that_sometimes_exists: {0}'.format(e))
@depends('dependency_that_sometimes_exists')
def foo():
    111
   Function with a dependency on the "dependency_that_sometimes_exists" module,
    if the "dependency_that_sometimes_exists" is missing this function will not exist
    return True
def _fallback():
    111
    Fallback function for the depends decorator to replace a function with
   return '"dependency_that_sometimes_exists" needs to be installed for this function to exist'
@depends('dependency_that_sometimes_exists', fallback_function=_fallback)
def foo():
   Function with a dependency on the "dependency_that_sometimes_exists" module.
    If the "dependency_that_sometimes_exists" is missing this function will be
    replaced with "_fallback"
   return True
```

20.27 Master Tops

Salt includes a number of built-in subsystems to generate top file data, they are listed listed at *Full list of builtin master tops modules*.

The source for the built-in Salt master tops can be found here: https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/tops

20.28 Full list of builtin master tops modules

cobbler	Cobbler Tops
ext_nodes	External Nodes Classifier
mongo	Read tops data from a mongodb collection
reclass_adapter	Read tops data from a reclass database

20.28.1 salt.tops.cobbler

Cobbler Tops

Cobbler Tops is a master tops subsystem used to look up mapping information from Cobbler via its API. The same cobbler.* parameters are used for both the Cobbler tops and Cobbler pillar modules.

```
master_tops:
   cobbler: {}
cobbler.url: https://example.com/cobbler_api #default is http://localhost/cobbler_api
cobbler.user: username # default is no username
cobbler.password: password # default is no password
```

Module Documentation

```
salt.tops.cobbler.top(**kwargs)
Look up top data in Cobbler for a minion.
```

20.28.2 salt.tops.ext nodes

External Nodes Classifier

The External Nodes Classifier is a master tops subsystem used to hook into systems used to provide mapping information used by major configuration management systems. One of the most common external nodes classification system is provided by Cobbler and is called cobbler-ext-nodes.

The cobbler-ext-nodes command can be used with this configuration:

```
master_tops:
    ext_nodes: cobbler-ext-nodes
```

It is noteworthy that the Salt system does not directly ingest the data sent from the cobbler-ext-nodes command, but converts the data into information that is used by a Salt top file.

```
salt.tops.ext_nodes.top(**kwargs)
Run the command configured
```

20.28.3 salt.tops.mongo

Read tops data from a mongodb collection

This module will load tops data from a mongo collection. It uses the node's id for lookups.

Salt Master Mongo Configuration

The module shares the same base mongo connection variables as salt.returners.mongo_return. These variables go in your master config file.

- mongo.db The mongo database to connect to. Defaults to 'salt'.
- mongo.host The mongo host to connect to. Supports replica sets by specifying all hosts in the set, commadelimited. Defaults to 'salt'.
- mongo.port The port that the mongo database is running on. Defaults to 27017.

- mongo.user The username for connecting to mongo. Only required if you are using mongo authentication.
 Defaults to ''.
- mongo.password The password for connecting to mongo. Only required if you are using mongo authentication. Defaults to ''.

Configuring the Mongo Tops Subsystem

```
master_tops:
  mongo:
    collection: tops
  id_field: _id
    re_replace: ""
    re_pattern: \.example\.com
    states_field: states
    environment_field: environment
```

Module Documentation

```
salt.tops.mongo.top(**kwargs)
Connect to a mongo database and read per-node tops data.
```

Parameters:

- collection: The mongodb collection to read data from. Defaults to 'tops'.
- id_field: The field in the collection that represents an individual minion id. Defaults to '_id'.
- re_pattern: If your naming convention in the collection is shorter than the minion id, you can use this to trim the name. re_pattern will be used to match the name, and re_replace will be used to replace it. Backrefs are supported as they are in the Python standard library. If None, no mangling of the name will be performed the collection will be searched with the entire minion id. Defaults to None.
- re_replace: Use as the replacement value in node ids matched with re_pattern. Defaults to ". Feel free to use backreferences here.
- *states_field*: The name of the field providing a list of states.
- environment_field: The name of the field providing the environment. Defaults to environment.

20.28.4 salt.tops.reclass_adapter

Read tops data from a reclass database

This *master_tops* plugin provides access to the **reclass** database, such that state information (top data) are retrieved from **reclass**.

You can find more information about reclass at http://reclass.pantsfullofunix.net.

To use the plugin, add it to the master_tops list in the Salt master config and tell **reclass** by way of a few options how and where to find the inventory:

```
master_tops:
    reclass:
        storage_type: yaml_fs
        inventory_base_uri: /srv/salt
```

This would cause **reclass** to read the inventory from YAML files in /srv/salt/nodes and /srv/salt/classes.

If you are also using **reclass** as ext_pillar plugin, and you want to avoid having to specify the same information for both, use YAML anchors (take note of the differing data types for ext_pillar and master_tops):

```
reclass: &reclass
  storage_type: yaml_fs
  inventory_base_uri: /srv/salt
  reclass_source_path: ~/code/reclass

ext_pillar:
  - reclass: *reclass

master_tops:
  reclass: *reclass
```

If you want to run reclass from source, rather than installing it, you can either let the master know via the PYTHONPATH environment variable, or by setting the configuration option, like in the example above.

```
salt.tops.reclass_adapter.top (**kwargs)
Query reclass for the top data (states of the minions).
```

20.29 Full list of builtin wheel modules

config	Manage the master configuration file
file_roots	Read in files from the file_root and save files to the file root
key	Wheel system wrapper for key system
pillar_roots	The <i>pillar_roots</i> wheel module is used to manage files under the pillar roots

20.29.1 salt.wheel.config

Manage the master configuration file

```
salt.wheel.config.apply(key, value)
Set a single key
```

Note: This will strip comments from your config file

```
salt.wheel.config.values()
    Return the raw values of the config file
```

20.29.2 salt.wheel.file_roots

Read in files from the file_root and save files to the file root

```
salt.wheel.file_roots.find (path, saltenv='base', env=None)
    Return a dict of the files located with the given path and environment
salt.wheel.file_roots.list_env (saltenv='base', env=None)
    Return all of the file paths found in an environment
salt.wheel.file_roots.list_roots()
    Return all of the files names in all available environments
```

```
salt.wheel.file_roots.read(path, saltenv='base', env=None)
     Read the contents of a text file, if the file is binary then
salt.wheel.file_roots.write(data, path, saltenv='base', index=0, env=None)
     Write the named file, by default the first file found is written, but the index of the file can be specified to write
     to a lower priority file root
20.29.3 salt.wheel.key
Wheel system wrapper for key system
salt.wheel.key.accept (match)
     Accept keys based on a glob match
salt.wheel.key.delete(match)
     Delete keys based on a glob match
salt.wheel.key.finger(match)
     Return the matching key fingerprints
salt.wheel.key.gen (id = None, keysize = 2048)
     Generate a key pair. No keys are stored on the master, a keypair is returned as a dict containing pub and priv
     keys
salt.wheel.key.gen_accept (id_, keysize=2048, force=False)
     Generate a key pair then accept the public key. This function returns the key pair in a dict, only the public key
     is preserved on the master.
salt.wheel.key.key_str(match)
     Return the key strings
salt.wheel.key.list(match)
     List all the keys under a named status
salt.wheel.key.list_all()
     List all the keys
salt.wheel.key.reject (match)
     Delete keys based on a glob match
20.29.4 salt.wheel.pillar roots
The pillar_roots wheel module is used to manage files under the pillar roots directories on the master server.
salt.wheel.pillar_roots.find(path, saltenv='base', env=None)
     Return a dict of the files located with the given path and environment
salt.wheel.pillar_roots.list_env(saltenv='base', env=None)
     Return all of the file paths found in an environment
salt.wheel.pillar_roots.list_roots()
     Return all of the files names in all available environments
```

salt.wheel.pillar_roots.read(path, saltenv='base', env=None)

salt.wheel.pillar_roots.write (data, path, saltenv='base', index=0, env=None)

Write the named file, by default the first file found is written, but the index of the file can be specified to write

Read the contents of a text file, if the file is binary then

to a lower priority file root

Salt Best Practices

Salt's extreme flexibility leads to many questions concerning the structure of configuration files.

This document exists to clarify these points through examples and code.

21.1 General rules

- 1. Modularity and clarity should be emphasized whenever possible.
- 2. Create clear relations between pillars and states.
- 3. Use variables when it makes sense but don't overuse them.
- 4. Store sensitive data in pillar.

21.2 Structuring States and Formulas

When structuring Salt States and Formulas it is important to begin with the directory structure. A proper directory structure clearly defines the functionality of each state to the user via visual inspection of the state's name.

Reviewing the MySQL Salt Formula it is clear to see the benefits to the end-user when reviewing a sample of the available states:

```
/srv/salt/mysql/files/
/srv/salt/mysql/client.sls
/srv/salt/mysql/map.jinja
/srv/salt/mysql/python.sls
/srv/salt/mysql/server.sls
```

This directory structure would lead to these states being referenced in a top file in the following way:

```
base:
  'web*':
    - mysql.client
    - mysql.python
  'db*':
    - mysql.server
```

This clear definition ensures that the user is properly informed of what each state will do.

Another example comes from the vim-formula:

```
/srv/salt/vim/files/
/srv/salt/vim/absent.sls
/srv/salt/vim/init.sls
/srv/salt/vim/map.jinja
/srv/salt/vim/nerdtree.sls
/srv/salt/vim/pyflakes.sls
/srv/salt/vim/salt.sls
```

Once again viewing how this would look in a top file:

/srv/salt/top.sls:

```
base:
  'web*':
    - vim
    - vim.nerdtree
    - vim.pyflakes
    - vim.salt
  'db*':
    - vim.absent
```

The usage of a clear top-level directory as well as properly named states reduces the overall complexity and leads a user to both understand what will be included at a glance and where it is located.

In addition *Formulas* should be used as often as possible.

Note: Formulas should never be referenced from the main repository, and should be forked to a repo where unintended changes will not take place.

21.3 Structuring Pillar Files

Pillars are used to store secure and insecure data pertaining to minions. When designing the structure of the /srv/pillar directory, the pillars contained within should once again be focused on clear and concise data which users can easily review, modify and understand.

The /srv/pillar/ directory is primarily controlled by top.sls. It should be noted that the pillar top.sls is not used as a location to declare variables and their values. The top.sls is used as a way to include other pillar files and organize the way they are matched based on environments or grains.

An example top.sls may be as simple as the following:

/srv/pillar/top.sls:

Or much more complicated, using a variety of matchers:

/srv/pillar/top.sls:

```
base:
    '*':
    - apache
dev:
    'os:Debian':
    - match: grain
    - vim
```

It is clear to see through these examples how the top file provides users with power but when used incorrectly it can lead to confusing configurations. This is why it is important to understand that the top file for pillar is not used for variable definitions.

Each SLS file within the /srv/pillar/ directory should correspond to the states which it matches.

This would mean that the apache pillar file should contain data relevant to apache. Structuring files in this way once again ensures modularity, and creates a consistent understanding throughout our Salt environment. Users can expect that pillar variables found in an Apache state will live inside of an Apache pillar:

/srv/salt/pillar/apache.sls

```
apache:
  lookup:
  name: httpd
  config:
    tmpl: /etc/httpd/httpd.conf
```

While this pillar file is simple, it shows how a pillar file explicitly relates to the state it is associated with.

21.4 Variable Flexibility

Salt allows users to define variables in SLS files. When creating a state variables should provide users with as much flexibility as possible. This means that variables should be clearly defined and easy to manipulate, and that sane defaults should exist in the event a variable is not properly defined. Looking at several examples shows how these different items can lead to extensive flexibility.

Although it is possible to set variables locally, this is generally not preferred:

/srv/salt/apache/conf.sls

```
{% set name = 'httpd' %}
{% set tmpl = 'salt://apache/files/httpd.conf' %}
include:
    - apache

apache_conf:
    file:
     - managed
     - name: {{ name }}
     - source: {{ tmpl }}
     - template: jinja
     - user: root
     - watch_in:
     - service: apache
```

When generating this information it can be easily transitioned to the pillar where data can be overwritten, modified, and applied to multiple states, or locations within a single state:

/srv/pillar/apache.sls

```
apache:
  lookup:
   name: httpd
    config:
      tmpl: salt://apache/files/httpd.conf
/srv/salt/apache/conf.sls
{% from "apache/map.jinja" import apache with context %}
include:
  - apache
apache conf:
  file:
   - managed
    - name: {{ salt['pillar.get']('apache:lookup:name') }}
    - source: {{ salt['pillar.get']('apache:lookup:config:tmpl') }}
    - template: jinja
    - user: root
    - watch_in:
      - service: apache
```

This flexibility provides users with a centralized location to modify variables, which is extremely important as an environment grows.

21.5 Modularity Within States

Ensuring that states are modular is one of the key concepts to understand within Salt. When creating a state a user must consider how many times the state could be re-used, and what it relies on to operate. Below are several examples which will iteratively explain how a user can go from a state which is not very modular to one that is:

/srv/salt/apache/init.sls:

```
httpd:
    pkg:
        - installed
    service:
        - running
        - enable: True

/etc/httpd/httpd.conf:
    file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://apache/files/httpd.conf
        - template: jinja
        - watch_in:
        - service: httpd
```

The example above is probably the worst-case scenario when writing a state. There is a clear lack of focus by naming both the pkg/service, and managed file directly as the state ID. This would lead to changing multiple requires within this state, as well as others that may depend upon the state.

Imagine if a require was used for the httpd package in another state, and then suddenly it's a custom package. Now changes need to be made in multiple locations which increases the complexity and leads to a more error prone configuration.

There is also the issue of having the configuration file located in the init, as a user would be unable to simply install the service and use the default conf file.

Our second revision begins to address the referencing by using - name, as opposed to direct ID references:

/srv/salt/apache/init.sls:

```
apache:
  pkg:
    - installed
    - name: httpd
  service:
    - name: httpd
    - enable: True
    - running
apache_conf:
  file:
    - managed
    - name: /etc/httpd/httpd.conf
    - source: salt://apache/files/httpd.conf
    - template: jinja
    - watch_in:
      - service: apache
```

The above init file is better than our original, yet it has several issues which lead to a lack of modularity. The first of these problems is the usage of static values for items such as the name of the service, the name of the managed file, and the source of the managed file. When these items are hard coded they become difficult to modify and the opportunity to make mistakes arises. It also leads to multiple edits that need to occur when changing these items (imagine if there were dozens of these occurrences throughout the state!). There is also still the concern of the configuration file data living in the same state as the service and package.

In the next example steps will be taken to begin addressing these issues. Starting with the addition of a map.jinja file (as noted in the *Formula documentation*), and modification of static values:

/srv/salt/apache/map.jinja:

```
{% set apache = salt['grains.filter_by']({
    'Debian': {
        'server': 'apache2',
        'service': 'apache2',
         'conf': '/etc/apache2/apache.conf',
    },
    'RedHat': {
        'server': 'httpd',
        'service': 'httpd',
        'conf': '/etc/httpd/httpd.conf',
    },
}, merge=salt['pillar.get']('apache:lookup')) %}
/srv/pillar/apache.sls:
apache:
  lookup:
      tmpl: salt://apache/files/httpd.conf
```

/srv/salt/apache/init.sls:

```
{% from "apache/map.jinja" import apache with context %}
apache:
  pkg:
    - installed
    - name: {{ apache.server }}
  service:
    - name: {{ apache.service }}
    - enable: True
    - running
apache_conf:
  file:
    - managed
   - name: {{ apache.conf }}
    - source: {{ salt['pillar.get']('apache:lookup:config:tmpl') }}
    - template: jinja
    - user: root
    - watch_in:
      - service: apache
```

The changes to this state now allow us to easily identify the location of the variables, as well as ensuring they are flexible and easy to modify. While this takes another step in the right direction, it is not yet complete. Suppose the user did not want to use the provided conf file, or even their own configuration file, but the default apache conf. With the current state setup this is not possible. To attain this level of modularity this state will need to be broken into two states.

```
/srv/salt/apache/map.jinja:
```

```
{% set apache = salt['grains.filter_by']({
                    'Debian': {
                                        'server': 'apache2',
                                        'service': 'apache2',
                                             'conf': '/etc/apache2/apache.conf',
                    },
                     'RedHat': {
                                       'server': 'httpd',
                                        'service': 'httpd',
                                        'conf': '/etc/httpd/httpd.conf',
                    },
}, merge=salt['pillar.get']('apache:lookup')) %}
/srv/pillar/apache.sls:
apache:
         lookup:
                   config:
                               tmpl: salt://apache/files/httpd.conf
/srv/salt/apache/init.sls:
\label{eq:context} \begin{tabular}{ll} \begi
apache:
         pkg:
                     - installed
                    - name: {{ apache.server }}
         service:
                    - name: {{ apache.service }}
```

```
- enable: True
- running
/srv/salt/apache/conf.sls:

{% from "apache/map.jinja" import apache with context %}

include:
- apache

apache_conf:
file:
- managed
- name: {{ apache.conf }}
- source: {{ salt['pillar.get']('apache:lookup:config:tmpl') }}
- template: jinja
- user: root
- watch_in:
- service: apache
```

This new structure now allows users to choose whether they only wish to install the default Apache, or if they wish, overwrite the default package, service, configuration file location, or the configuration file itself. In addition to this the data has been broken between multiple files allowing for users to identify where they need to change the associated data.

21.6 Storing Secure Data

Secure data refers to any information that you would not wish to share with anyone accessing a server. This could include data such as passwords, keys, or other information.

As all data within a state is accessible by EVERY server that is connected it is important to store secure data within pillar. This will ensure that only those servers which require this secure data have access to it. In this example a use can go from an insecure configuration to one which is only accessible by the appropriate hosts:

/srv/salt/mysql/testerdb.sls:

```
testdb:
    mysql_database:
        - present:
        - name: testerdb

/srv/salt/mysql/user.sls:
include:
        - mysql.testerdb

testdb_user:
        mysql_user:
        - present
        - name: frank
        - password: "test3rdb"
        - host: localhost
        - require:
        - sls: mysql.testerdb
```

Many users would review this state and see that the password is there in plain text, which is quite problematic. It results in several issues which may not be immediately visible.

The first of these issues is clear to most users – the password being visible in this state. This means that any minion will have a copy of this, and therefore the password which is a major security concern as minions may not be locked down as tightly as the master server.

The other issue that can be encountered is access by users on the master. If everyone has access to the states (or their repository), then they are able to review this password. Keeping your password data accessible by only a few users is critical for both security and peace of mind.

There is also the issue of portability. When a state is configured this way it results in multiple changes needing to be made. This was discussed in the sections above but it is a critical idea to drive home. If states are not portable it may result in more work later!

Fixing this issue is relatively simple, the content just needs to be moved to the associated pillar:

/srv/pillar/mysql.sls

```
mysql:
  lookup:
    name: testerdb
    password: test3rdb
    user: frank
    host: localhost
/srv/salt/mysql/testerdb.sls:
testdb:
  mysql_database:
    - present:
    - name: {{ salt['pillar.get']('mysql:lookup:name') }}
/srv/salt/mysql/user.sls:
include:

    mvsql.testerdb

testdb_user:
  mysql_user:
    - present
    - name: {{ salt['pillar.get']('mysql:lookup:user') }}
    - password: {{ salt['pillar.qet']('mysql:lookup:password') }}
    - host: {{ salt['pillar.get']('mysql:lookup:host') }}
    - require:
      - sls: mysql.testerdb
```

Now that the database details have been moved to the associated pillar file, only machines which are targeted via pillar will have access to these details. Access to users who should not be able to review these details can also be prevented while ensuring that they are still able to write states which take advantage of this information.

Troubleshooting

The intent of the troubleshooting section is to introduce solutions to a number of common issues encountered by users and the tools that are available to aid in developing States and Salt code.

22.1 Troubleshooting the Salt Master

If your Salt master is having issues such as minions not returning data, slow execution times, or a variety of other issues the *Salt master troubleshooting page* contains details on troubleshooting the most common issues encountered.

22.2 Troubleshooting the Salt Minion

In the event that your Salt minion is having issues a variety of solutions and suggestions are available at the *Salt minion troubleshooting page*.

22.3 Running in the Foreground

A great deal of information is available via the debug logging system, if you are having issues with minions connecting or not starting run the minion and/or master in the foreground:

```
salt-master -1 debug
salt-minion -1 debug
```

Anyone wanting to run Salt daemons via a process supervisor such as monit, runit, or supervisord, should omit the -d argument to the daemons and run them in the foreground.

22.4 What Ports do the Master and Minion Need Open?

No ports need to be opened up on each minion. For the master, TCP ports 4505 and 4506 need to be open. If you've put both your Salt master and minion in debug mode and don't see an acknowledgment that your minion has connected, it could very well be a firewall.

You can check port connectivity from the minion with the nc command:

```
nc -v -z salt.master.ip 4505 nc -v -z salt.master.ip 4506
```

There is also a *firewall configuration* document that might help as well.

If you've enabled the right TCP ports on your operating system or Linux distribution's firewall and still aren't seeing connections, check that no additional access control system such as SELinux or AppArmor is blocking Salt.

22.5 Using salt-call

The salt-call command was originally developed for aiding in the development of new Salt modules. Since then, many applications have been developed for running any Salt module locally on a minion. These range from the original intent of salt-call, development assistance, to gathering more verbose output from calls like state.highstate.

When creating your state tree, it is generally recommended to invoke state.highstate with salt-call. This displays far more information about the highstate execution than calling it remotely. For even more verbosity, increase the loglevel with the same argument as salt-minion:

```
salt-call -1 debug state.highstate
```

The main difference between using salt and using salt-call is that salt-call is run from the minion, and it only runs the selected function on that minion. By contrast, salt is run from the master, and requires you to specify the minions on which to run the command using salt's *targeting system*.

22.6 Too many open files

The salt-master needs at least 2 sockets per host that connects to it, one for the Publisher and one for response port. Thus, large installations may, upon scaling up the number of minions accessing a given master, encounter:

```
12:45:29,289 [salt.master ] [INFO ] Starting Salt worker process 38 Too many open files sock !=-1 (tcp_listener.cpp:335)
```

The solution to this would be to check the number of files allowed to be opened by the user running salt-master (root by default):

```
[root@salt-master \sim]# ulimit -n 1024
```

And modify that value to be at least equal to the number of minions x 2. This setting can be changed in limits.conf as the nofile value(s), and activated upon new a login of the specified user.

So, an environment with 1800 minions, would need $1800 \times 2 = 3600$ as a minimum.

22.7 Salt Master Stops Responding

There are known bugs with ZeroMQ versions less than 2.1.11 which can cause the Salt master to not respond properly. If you're running a ZeroMQ version greater than or equal to 2.1.9, you can work around the bug by setting the sysctls net.core.rmem_max and net.core.wmem_max to 16777216. Next, set the third field in net.ipv4.tcp_rmem and net.ipv4.tcp_wmem to at least 16777216.

You can do it manually with something like:

```
# echo 16777216 > /proc/sys/net/core/rmem_max
# echo 16777216 > /proc/sys/net/core/wmem_max
# echo "4096 87380 16777216" > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_rmem
# echo "4096 87380 16777216" > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_wmem
```

Or with the following Salt state:

```
net.core.rmem_max:
     sysctl:
       - present
       - value: 16777216
4
   net.core.wmem max:
     svsctl:
       - present
       - value: 16777216
9
10
   net.ipv4.tcp_rmem:
11
     sysctl:
12
13
       - present
       - value: 4096 87380 16777216
  net.ipv4.tcp_wmem:
16
17
     sysctl:
       - present
18
       - value: 4096 87380 16777216
```

22.8 Salt and SELinux

Currently there are no SELinux policies for Salt. For the most part Salt runs without issue when SELinux is running in Enforcing mode. This is because when the minion executes as a daemon the type context is changed to initro_t. The problem with SELinux arises when using salt-call or running the minion in the foreground, since the type context stays unconfined_t.

This problem is generally manifest in the rpm install scripts when using the pkg module. Until a full SELinux Policy is available for Salt the solution to this issue is to set the execution context of salt-call and salt-minion to rpm_exec_t:

```
# CentOS 5 and RHEL 5:
chcon -t system_u:system_r:rpm_exec_t:s0 /usr/bin/salt-minion
chcon -t system_u:system_r:rpm_exec_t:s0 /usr/bin/salt-call
# CentOS 6 and RHEL 6:
chcon system_u:object_r:rpm_exec_t:s0 /usr/bin/salt-minion
chcon system_u:object_r:rpm_exec_t:s0 /usr/bin/salt-call
```

This works well, because the rpm_exec_t context has very broad control over other types.

22.9 Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5

Salt requires Python 2.6 or 2.7. Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5 and its variants come with Python 2.4 installed by default. When installing on RHEL 5 from the EPEL repository this is handled for you. But, if you run Salt from git, be advised that its dependencies need to be installed from EPEL and that Salt needs to be run with the python26 executable.

22.10 Common YAML Gotchas

An extensive list of YAML idiosyncrasies has been compiled.

22.8. Salt and SELinux

22.11 Live Python Debug Output

If the minion or master seems to be unresponsive, a SIGUSR1 can be passed to the processes to display where in the code they are running. If encountering a situation like this, this debug information can be invaluable. First make sure the master of minion are running in the foreground:

```
salt-master -1 debug
salt-minion -1 debug
```

Then pass the signal to the master or minion when it seems to be unresponsive:

```
killall -SIGUSR1 salt-master
killall -SIGUSR1 salt-minion
```

Also under BSD and Mac OS X in addition to SIGUSR1 signal, debug subroutine set up for SIGINFO which has an advantage of being sent by Ctrl+T shortcut.

When filing an issue or sending questions to the mailing list for a problem with an unresponsive daemon this information can be invaluable.

22.12 Salt 0.16.x minions cannot communicate with a 0.17.x master

As of release 0.17.1 you can no longer run different versions of Salt on your Master and Minion servers. This is due to a protocol change for security purposes. The Salt team will continue to attempt to ensure versions are as backwards compatible as possible.

22.13 Debugging the Master and Minion

22.13.1 Troubleshooting the Salt Master

Running in the Foreground

A great deal of information is available via the debug logging system, if you are having issues with minions connecting or not starting run the master in the foreground:

```
# salt-master -1 debug
```

Anyone wanting to run Salt daemons via a process supervisor such as monit, runit, or supervisord, should omit the -d argument to the daemons and run them in the foreground.

What Ports does the Master Need Open?

For the master, TCP ports 4505 and 4506 need to be open. If you've put both your Salt master and minion in debug mode and don't see an acknowledgment that your minion has connected, it could very well be a firewall interfering with the connection. See our *firewall configuration* page for help opening the firewall on various platforms.

If you've opened the correct TCP ports and still aren't seeing connections, check that no additional access control system such as SELinux or AppArmor is blocking Salt.

Too many open files

The salt-master needs at least 2 sockets per host that connects to it, one for the Publisher and one for response port. Thus, large installations may, upon scaling up the number of minions accessing a given master, encounter:

```
12:45:29,289 [salt.master ] [INFO ] Starting Salt worker process 38 Too many open files sock != -1 (tcp_listener.cpp:335)
```

The solution to this would be to check the number of files allowed to be opened by the user running salt-master (root by default):

```
[root@salt-master \sim]# ulimit -n 1024
```

If this value is not equal to at least twice the number of minions, then it will need to be raised. For example, in an environment with 1800 minions, the nofile limit should be set to no less than 3600. This can be done by creating the file /etc/security/limits.d/99-salt.conf, with the following contents:

```
root hard nofile 4096
root soft nofile 4096
```

Replace root with the user under which the master runs, if different.

If your master does not have an /etc/security/limits.d directory, the lines can simply be appended to /etc/security/limits.conf.

As with any change to resource limits, it is best to stay logged into your current shell and open another shell to run ulimit—n again and verify that the changes were applied correctly. Additionally, if your master is running upstart, it may be necessary to specify the nofile limit in /etc/default/salt-master if upstart isn't respecting your resource limits:

```
limit nofile 4096 4096
```

Note: The above is simply an example of how to set these values, and you may wish to increase them even further if your Salt master is doing more than just running Salt.

Salt Master Stops Responding

There are known bugs with ZeroMQ versions less than 2.1.11 which can cause the Salt master to not respond properly. If you're running a ZeroMQ version greater than or equal to 2.1.9, you can work around the bug by setting the sysctls net.core.rmem_max and net.core.wmem_max to 16777216. Next, set the third field in net.ipv4.tcp_rmem and net.ipv4.tcp_wmem to at least 16777216.

You can do it manually with something like:

```
# echo 16777216 > /proc/sys/net/core/rmem_max
# echo 16777216 > /proc/sys/net/core/wmem_max
# echo "4096 87380 16777216" > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_rmem
# echo "4096 87380 16777216" > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/tcp_wmem
```

Or with the following Salt state:

```
net.core.wmem_max:
     sysctl:
       - present
8
       - value: 16777216
10
   net.ipv4.tcp_rmem:
11
     sysctl:
12
       - present
13
       - value: 4096 87380 16777216
14
15
  net.ipv4.tcp_wmem:
16
     sysctl:
17
       - present
18
       - value: 4096 87380 16777216
```

Live Python Debug Output

If the master seems to be unresponsive, a SIGUSR1 can be passed to the salt-master threads to display what piece of code is executing. This debug information can be invaluable in tracking down bugs.

To pass a SIGUSR1 to the master, first make sure the minion is running in the foreground. Stop the service if it is running as a daemon, and start it in the foreground like so:

```
# salt-master -1 debug
```

Then pass the signal to the master when it seems to be unresponsive:

```
# killall -SIGUSR1 salt-master
```

When filing an issue or sending questions to the mailing list for a problem with an unresponsive daemon, be sure to include this information if possible.

Live Salt-Master Profiling

When faced with performance problems one can turn on master process profiling by sending it SIGUSR2.

```
# killall -SIGUSR2 salt-master
```

This will activate <code>yappi</code> profiler inside salt-master code, then after some time one must send SIGUSR2 again to stop profiling and save results to file. If run in foreground salt-master will report filename for the results, which are usually located under <code>/tmp</code> on Unix-based OSes and <code>c:\temp</code> on windows.

Results can then be analyzed with kcachegrind or similar tool.

Commands Time Out or Do Not Return Output

Depending on your OS (this is most common on Ubuntu due to apt-get) you may sometimes encounter times where your highstate, or other long running commands do not return output.

Note: A number of timing issues were resolved in the 2014.1 release of Salt. Upgrading to at least this version is strongly recommended if timeouts persist.

By default the timeout is set to 5 seconds. The timeout value can easily be increased by modifying the timeout line within your /etc/salt/master configuration file.

Passing the -c Option to Salt Returns a Permissions Error

Using the -c option with the Salt command modifies the configuration directory. When the configuratio file is read it will still base data off of the root_dir setting. This can result in unintended behavior if you are expecting files such as /etc/salt/pki to be pulled from the location specified with -c. Modify the root_dir setting to address this behavior.

22.13.2 Troubleshooting the Salt Minion

Running in the Foreground

A great deal of information is available via the debug logging system, if you are having issues with minions connecting or not starting run the minion in the foreground:

```
# salt-minion -1 debug
```

Anyone wanting to run Salt daemons via a process supervisor such as monit, runit, or supervisord, should omit the -d argument to the daemons and run them in the foreground.

What Ports does the Minion Need Open?

No ports need to be opened on the minion, as it makes outbound connections to the master. If you've put both your Salt master and minion in debug mode and don't see an acknowledgment that your minion has connected, it could very well be a firewall interfering with the connection. See our *firewall configuration* page for help opening the firewall on various platforms.

If you have netcat installed, you can check port connectivity from the minion with the nc command:

```
$ nc -v -z salt.master.ip.addr 4505 Connection to salt.master.ip.addr 4505 port [tcp/unknown] succeeded! $ nc -v -z salt.master.ip.addr 4506 Connection to salt.master.ip.addr 4506 port [tcp/unknown] succeeded!
```

The Nmap utility can also be used to check if these ports are open:

```
# nmap -sS -q -p 4505-4506 salt.master.ip.addr

Starting Nmap 6.40 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2013-12-29 19:44 CST
Nmap scan report for salt.master.ip.addr (10.0.0.10)
Host is up (0.0026s latency).
PORT STATE SERVICE
4505/tcp open unknown
4506/tcp open unknown
MAC Address: 00:11:22:AA:BB:CC (Intel)
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 1.64 seconds
```

If you've opened the correct TCP ports and still aren't seeing connections, check that no additional access control system such as SELinux or AppArmor is blocking Salt.

Using salt-call

The salt-call command was originally developed for aiding in the development of new Salt modules. Since then, many applications have been developed for running any Salt module locally on a minion. These range from the original intent of salt-call, development assistance, to gathering more verbose output from calls like state.highstate.

When initially creating your state tree, it is generally recommended to invoke state.highstate from the minion with salt-call. This displays far more information about the highstate execution than calling it remotely. For even more verbosity, increase the loglevel with the same argument as salt-minion:

```
# salt-call -1 debug state.highstate
```

The main difference between using salt and using salt-call is that salt-call is run from the minion, and it only runs the selected function on that minion. By contrast, salt is run from the master, and requires you to specify the minions on which to run the command using salt's *targeting system*.

Live Python Debug Output

If the minion seems to be unresponsive, a SIGUSR1 can be passed to the process to display what piece of code is executing. This debug information can be invaluable in tracking down bugs.

To pass a SIGUSR1 to the minion, first make sure the minion is running in the foreground. Stop the service if it is running as a daemon, and start it in the foreground like so:

```
# salt-minion -1 debug
```

Then pass the signal to the minion when it seems to be unresponsive:

```
# killall -SIGUSR1 salt-minion
```

When filing an issue or sending questions to the mailing list for a problem with an unresponsive daemon, be sure to include this information if possible.

22.14 Debugging YAML

22.14.1 YAML Idiosyncrasies

One of Salt's strengths, the use of existing serialization systems for representing SLS data, can also backfire. YAML is a general purpose system and there are a number of things that would seem to make sense in an sls file that cause YAML issues. It is wise to be aware of these issues. While reports or running into them are generally rare they can still crop up at unexpected times.

Spaces vs Tabs

YAML uses spaces, period. Do not use tabs in your SLS files! If strange errors are coming up in rendering SLS files, make sure to check that no tabs have crept in! In Vim, after enabling search highlighting with: :set hlsearch, you can check with the following key sequence in normal mode(you can hit *ESC* twice to be sure): /, *Ctrl-v*, *Tab*, then hit *Enter*. Also, you can convert tabs to 2 spaces by these commands in Vim: :set tabstop=2 expandtab and then: retab.

Indentation

The suggested syntax for YAML files is to use 2 spaces for indentation, but YAML will follow whatever indentation system that the individual file uses. Indentation of two spaces works very well for SLS files given the fact that the data is uniform and not deeply nested.

Nested Dicts (key=value)

When *dicts* are more deeply nested, they no longer follow the same indentation logic. This is rarely something that comes up in Salt, since deeply nested options like these are discouraged when making State modules, but some do exist. A good example of this can be found in the context and default options from the *file.managed* state:

```
/etc/http/conf/http.conf:
    file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://apache/http.conf
        user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: 644
        - template: jinja
        - context:
            custom_var: "override"
        - defaults:
            custom_var: "default value"
            other_var: 123
```

Notice that while the indentation is two spaces per level, for the values under the context and defaults options there is a four-space indent. If only two spaces are used to indent, then the information will not be loaded correctly. If using a double indent is not desirable, then a deeply-nested dict can be declared with curly braces:

```
/etc/http/conf/http.conf:
    file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://apache/http.conf
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: 644
        - template: jinja
        - context: {
            custom_var: "override" }
        - defaults: {
            custom_var: "default value",
            other_var: 123 }
```

True/False, Yes/No, On/Off

PyYAML will load these values as boolean True or False. Un-capitalized versions will also be loaded as booleans (true, false, yes, no, on, and off). This can be especially problematic when constructing Pillar data. Make sure that your Pillars which need to use the string versions of these values are enclosed in quotes.

Integers are Parsed as Integers

NOTE: This has been fixed in salt 0.10.0, as of this release passing an integer that is preceded by a 0 will be correctly parsed

When passing integers into an SLS file, they are passed as integers. This means that if a state accepts a string value and an integer is passed, that an integer will be sent. The solution here is to send the integer as a string.

This is best explained when setting the mode for a file:

```
/etc/vimrc:
   file:
```

```
- managed
- source: salt://edit/vimrc
- user: root
- group: root
- mode: 644
```

Salt manages this well, since the mode is passed as 644, but if the mode is zero padded as 0644, then it is read by YAML as an integer and evaluated as an octal value, 0644 becomes 420. Therefore, if the file mode is preceded by a 0 then it needs to be passed as a string:

```
/etc/vimrc:
    file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://edit/vimrc
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: '0644'
```

YAML does not like "Double Short Decs"

If I can find a way to make YAML accept "Double Short Decs" then I will, since I think that double short decs would be awesome. So what is a "Double Short Dec"? It is when you declare a multiple short decs in one ID. Here is a standard short dec, it works great:

```
vim:
   pkg.installed
```

The short dec means that there are no arguments to pass, so it is not required to add any arguments, and it can save space.

YAML though, gets upset when declaring multiple short decs, for the record...

THIS DOES NOT WORK:

```
vim:
   pkg.installed
   user.present
```

Similarly declaring a short dec in the same ID dec as a standard dec does not work either...

ALSO DOES NOT WORK:

```
fred:
    user.present
    ssh_auth.present:
        - name: AAAAB3NzaC...
        user: fred
        - enc: ssh-dss
        require:
        - user: fred
```

The correct way is to define them like this:

```
vim:
   pkg.installed: []
   user.present: []

fred:
   user.present: []
```

```
ssh_auth.present:
    name: AAAAB3NzaC...
    user: fred
    enc: ssh-dss
    require:
    user: fred
```

Alternatively, they can be defined the "old way", or with multiple "full decs":

```
vim:
    pkg:
        - installed
    user:
        - present

fred:
    user:
        - present
    sh_auth:
        - present
        - name: AAAAB3NzaC...
        - user: fred
        - enc: ssh-dss
        - require:
        - user: fred
```

YAML support only plain ASCII

According to YAML specification, only ASCII characters can be used.

Within double-quotes, special characters may be represented with C-style escape sequences starting with a backslash (\).

Examples:

```
- micro: "\u00b5"
- copyright: "\u00A9"
- A: "\x41"
- alpha: "\u0251"
- Alef: "\u05d0"
```

List of usable Unicode characters will help you to identify correct numbers.

Python can also be used to discover the Unicode number for a character:

```
repr(u"Text with wrong characters i need to figure out")
```

This shell command can find wrong characters in your SLS files:

```
find . -name '*.sls' -exec grep --color='auto' -P -n '[\xspace\x7F]' \{} \;
```

Alternatively you can toggle the *yaml_utf8* **setting in your master configuration** file. This is still an experimental setting but it should manage the right encoding conversion in salt after yaml states compilations.

Underscores stripped in Integer Definitions

If a definition only includes numbers and underscores, it is parsed by YAML as an integer and all underscores are stripped. To ensure the object becomes a string, it should be surrounded by quotes. More information here.

Here's an example:

```
>>> import yaml
>>> yaml.safe_load('2013_05_10')
20130510
>>> yaml.safe_load('"2013_05_10"')
'2013_05_10'
```

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23.1 Deprecating Code

Salt should remain backwards compatible, though sometimes, this backwards compatibility needs to be broken because a specific feature and/or solution is no longer necessary or required. At first one might think, let me change this code, it seems that it's not used anywhere else so it should be safe to remove. Then, once there's a new release, users complain about functionality which was removed and they where using it, etc. This should, at all costs, be avoided, and, in these cases, *that* specific code should be deprecated.

Depending on the complexity and usage of a specific piece of code, the deprecation time frame should be properly evaluated. As an example, a deprecation warning which is shown for 2 major releases, for example 0.17.0 and 2014.1.0, gives users enough time to stop using the deprecated code and adapt to the new one.

For example, if you're deprecating the usage of a keyword argument to a function, that specific keyword argument should remain in place for the full deprecation time frame and if that keyword argument is used, a deprecation warning should be shown to the user.

To help in this deprecation task, salt provides salt.utils.warn_until. The idea behind this helper function is to show the deprecation warning until salt reaches the provided version. Once that provided version is equaled salt.utils.warn_until will raise a RuntimeError making salt stop its execution. This stoppage is unpleasant and will remind the developer that the deprecation limit has been reached and that the code can then be safely removed.

Consider the following example:

```
def some_function(bar=False, foo=None):
    if foo is not None:
        salt.utils.warn_until(
            (0, 18),
            'The \'foo\' argument has been deprecated and its '
            'functionality removed, as such, its usage is no longer '
            'required.'
    )
```

Consider that the current salt release is 0.16.0. Whenever foo is passed a value different from None that warning will be shown to the user. This will happen in versions 0.16.2 to 2014.1.0, after which a RuntimeError will be raised making us aware that the deprecated code should now be removed.

23.2 Dunder Dictionaries

Salt provides several special "dunder" dictionaries as a convenience for Salt development. These include __opts__, __context__, __salt__, and others. This document will describe each dictionary and detail where they exist and what information and/or functionality they provide.

23.2.1 __opts__

Available in

· All loader modules

The __opts__ dictionary contains all of the options passed in the configuration file for the master or minion.

Note: In many places in salt, instead of pulling raw data from the __opts__ dict, configuration data should be pulled from the salt *get* frunctions such as config.get, aka - __salt__['config.get']('foo:bar') The *get* functions also allow for dict traversal via the : delimiter. Consider using get functions whenever using __opts__ or __pillar__ and __grains__ (when using grains for configuration data)

The configuration file data made available in the __opts__ dictionary is the configuration data relative to the running daemon. If the modules are loaded and executed by the master, then the master configuration data is available, if the modules are executed by the minion, then the minion configuration is available. Any additional information passed into the respective configuration files is made available

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Available in

- · Execution Modules
- · State Modules
- · Returners

__salt__ contains the execution module functions. This allows for all functions to be called as they have been set up by the salt loader.

```
__salt__['cmd.run']('fdisk -l')
__salt__['network.ip_addrs']()
```

23.2.3 __grains__

Available in

- · Execution Modules
- · State Modules
- Returners
- External Pillar

The __grains__ dictionary contains the grains data generated by the minion that is currently being worked with. In execution modules, state modules and returners this is the grains of the minion running the calls, when generating the external pillar the __grains__ is the grains data from the minion that the pillar is being generated for.

23.2.4 pillar

Available in

- · Execution Modules
- State Modules
- Returners

The __pillar__ dictionary contains the pillar for the respective minion.

23.2.5 **context**

__context__ exists in state modules and execution modules.

During a state run the __context__ dictionary persists across all states that are run and then is destroyed when the state ends.

When running an execution module __context__ persists across all module executions until the modules are refreshed; such as when saltutils.sync_all or state.highstate are executed.

A great place to see how to use __context__ is in the cp.py module in salt/modules/cp.py. The fileclient authenticates with the master when it is instantiated and then is used to copy files to the minion. Rather than create a new fileclient for each file that is to be copied down, one instance of the fileclient is instantiated in the __context__ dictionary and is reused for each file. Here is an example from salt/modules/cp.py:

```
if not 'cp.fileclient' in __context__:
    __context__['cp.fileclient'] = salt.fileclient.get_file_client(__opts__)
```

Note: Because __context__ may or may not have been destroyed, always be sure to check for the existence of the key in __context__ and generate the key before using it.

23.3 External Pillars

Salt provides a mechanism for generating pillar data by calling external pillar interfaces. This document will describe an outline of an ext pillar module.

23.3.1 Location

Salt expects to find your ext_pillar module in the same location where it looks for other python modules. If the extension_modules option in your Salt master configuration is set, Salt will look for a pillar directory under there and load all the modules it finds. Otherwise, it will look in your Python site-packages salt/pillar directory.

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23.3.2 Configuration

The external pillars that are called when a minion refreshes its pillars is controlled by the ext_pillar option in the Salt master configuration. You can pass a single argument, a list of arguments or a dictionary of arguments to your pillar:

```
ext_pillar:
   - example_a: some argument
   - example_b:
    - argumentA
    - argumentB
   - example_c:
        keyA: valueA
        keyB: valueB
```

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23.3.4 Imports and Logging

Import modules your external pillar module needs. You should first include generic modules that come with stock Python:

```
import logging
```

And then start logging. This is an idiomatic way of setting up logging in Salt:

```
log = logging.getLogger(__name__)
```

Finally, load modules that are specific to what you are doing. You should catch import errors and set a flag that the __virtual__ function can use later.

```
try:
```

```
import weird_thing
    EXAMPLE_A_LOADED = True
except ImportError:
    EXAMPLE_A_LOADED = False
```

23.3.5 Options

If you define an __opts__ dictionary, it will be merged into the __opts__ dictionary handed to the ext_pillar function later. This is a good place to put default configuration items. The convention is to name things modulename.option.

```
__opts__ = { 'example_a.someconfig': 137 }
```

23.3.6 Initialization

If you define an __init__ function, it will be called with the following signature:

```
def __init__( __opts__ ):
    # Do init work here
```

Note: The __init__ function is ran every time a particular minion causes the external pillar to be called, so don't put heavy initialization code here. The __init__ functionality is a side-effect of the Salt loader, so it may not be as useful in pillars as it is in other Salt items.

23.3.7 __virtual__

If you define a __virtual__ function, you can control whether or not this module is visible. If it returns False then Salt ignores this module. If it returns a string, then that string will be how Salt identifies this external pillar in its ext_pillar configuration. If you're not renaming the module, simply return True in the __virtual__ function, which is the same as if this function did not exist, then, the name Salt's ext_pillar will use to identify this module is its conventional name in Python.

This is useful to write modules that can be installed on all Salt masters, but will only be visible if a particular piece of software your module requires is installed.

```
# This external pillar will be known as 'example_a'
def __virtual__():
    if EXAMPLE_A_LOADED:
        return True
    return False

# This external pillar will be known as 'something_else'
__virtualname__ = 'something_else'

def __virtual__():
    if EXAMPLE_A_LOADED:
        return __virtualname__
    return False
```

23.3.8 ext_pillar

This is where the real work of an external pillar is done. If this module is active and has a function called ext_pillar, whenever a minion updates its pillar this function is called.

How it is called depends on how it is configured in the Salt master configuration. The first argument is always the current pillar dictionary, this contains pillar items that have already been added, starting with the data from pillar_roots, and then from any already-ran external pillars.

Using our example above:

```
ext_pillar( id, pillar, 'some argument' ) # example_a
ext_pillar( id, pillar, 'argumentA', 'argumentB' ) # example_b
ext_pillar( id, pillar, keyA='valueA', keyB='valueB' } ) # example_c
```

In the example_a case, pillar will contain the items from the pillar_roots, in example_b pillar will contain that plus the items added by example_a, and in example_c pillar will contain that plus the items added by example_b. In all three cases, id will contain the ID of the minion making the pillar request.

This function should return a dictionary, the contents of which are merged in with all of the other pillars and returned to the minion. **Note**: this function is called once for each minion that fetches its pillar data.

```
def ext_pillar( minion_id, pillar, *args, **kwargs ):
    my_pillar = {}
    # Do stuff
    return my_pillar
```

You shouldn't just add items to pillar and return that, since that will cause Salt to merge data that already exists. Rather, just return the items you are adding or changing. You could, however, use pillar in your module to make some decision based on pillar data that already exists.

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This function has access to some useful globals:

```
__opts__ A dictionary of mostly Salt configuration options. If you had an __opts__ dictionary defined
in your module, those values will be included.
__salt__ A dictionary of Salt module functions, useful so you don't have to duplicate functions that
already exist. E.g. __salt__['cmd.run']('ls -l') Note, runs on the master
__grains__ A dictionary of the grains of the minion making this pillar call.
```

23.3.9 Example configuration

As an example, if you wanted to add external pillar via the cmd_json external pillar, add something like this to your master config:

```
ext_pillar:
   - cmd_json: 'echo {\"arg\":\"value\"}'
```

23.4 Developing Salt

There is a great need for contributions to Salt and patches are welcome! The goal here is to make contributions clear, make sure there is a trail for where the code has come from, and most importantly, to give credit where credit is due!

There are a number of ways to contribute to salt development.

23.4.1 Sending a GitHub pull request

This is the preferred method for contributions. Simply create a GitHub fork, commit changes to the fork, and then open up a pull request.

The following is an example (from Open Comparison Contributing Docs) of an efficient workflow for forking, cloning, branching, committing, and sending a pull request for a GitHub repository.

First, make a local clone of your GitHub fork of the salt GitHub repo and make edits and changes locally.

Then, create a new branch on your clone by entering the following commands:

```
git checkout -b fixed-broken-thing
Switched to a new branch 'fixed-broken-thing'
```

Choose a name for your branch that describes its purpose.

Now commit your changes to this new branch with the following command:

```
git commit -am 'description of my fixes for the broken thing'
```

Note: Using git commit -am, followed by a quoted string, both stages and commits all modified files in a single command. Depending on the nature of your changes, you may wish to stage and commit them separately. Also, note that if you wish to add newly-tracked files as part of your commit, they will not be caught using git commit -am and will need to be added using git add before committing.

Push your locally-committed changes back up to GitHub:

```
git push --set-upstream origin fixed-broken-thing
```

Now go look at your fork of the salt repo on the GitHub website. The new branch will now be listed under the "Source" tab where it says "Switch Branches". Select the new branch from this list, and then click the "Pull request" button.

Put in a descriptive comment, and include links to any project issues related to the pull request.

The repo managers will be notified of your pull request and it will be reviewed. If a reviewer asks for changes, just make the changes locally in the same local feature branch, push them to GitHub, then add a comment to the discussion section of the pull request.

Note: Jenkins

Whenever you make a pull request against the main Salt repository your changes will be tested on a variety of operating systems and configurations. On average these tests take 30 minutes to run and once they are complete a PASS/FAIL message will be added to your pull request. This message contains a link to http://jenkins.saltstack.com where you can review the test results. This message will also generate an email which will be sent to the email address associated with your GitHub account informing you of these results. It should be noted that a test failure does not necessarily mean there is an issue in the associated pull request as the entire development branch is tested.

23.4.2 Keeping Salt Forks in Sync

Salt is advancing quickly. It is therefore critical to pull upstream changes from master into forks on a regular basis. Nothing is worse than putting in a days of hard work into a pull request only to have it rejected because it has diverged too far from master.

To pull in upstream changes:

```
# For ssh github
git remote add upstream git@github.com:saltstack/salt.git
git fetch upstream
# For https github
git remote add upstream https://github.com/saltstack/salt.git
git fetch upstream
```

To check the log to be sure that you actually want the changes, run the following before merging:

```
git log upstream/develop
```

Then to accept the changes and merge into the current branch:

```
git merge upstream/develop
```

For more info, see GitHub Fork a Repo Guide or Open Comparison Contributing Docs

23.4.3 Posting patches to the mailing list

Patches will also be accepted by email. Format patches using git format-patch and send them to the Salt users mailing list. The contributor will then get credit for the patch, and the Salt community will have an archive of the patch and a place for discussion.

23.4.4 Installing Salt for development

Clone the repository using:

git clone https://github.com/saltstack/salt

Note: tags

Just cloning the repository is enough to work with Salt and make contributions. However, fetching additional tags from git is required to have Salt report the correct version for itself. To do this, first add the git repository as an upstream source:

git remote add upstream https://github.com/saltstack/salt

Fetching tags is done with the git 'fetch' utility:

```
git fetch --tags upstream
```

Create a new virtualenv:

virtualenv /path/to/your/virtualenv

On Arch Linux, where Python 3 is the default installation of Python, use the virtualenv2 command instead of virtualenv.

Note: Using system Python modules in the virtualenv

To use already-installed python modules in virtualenv (instead of having pip download and compile new ones), run virtualenv --system-site-packages Using this method eliminates the requirement to install the salt dependencies again, although it does assume that the listed modules are all installed in the system PYTHONPATH at the time of virtualenv creation.

Activate the virtualenv:

source /path/to/your/virtualenv/bin/activate

Install Salt (and dependencies) into the virtualenv:

```
pip install M2Crypto # Don't install on Debian/Ubuntu (see below)
pip install pyzmq PyYAML pycrypto msgpack-python jinja2 psutil
pip install -e ./salt # the path to the salt git clone from above
```

Note: Installing M2Crypto

swig and libssl-dev are required to build M2Crypto. To fix the error command 'swig' failed with exit status 1 while installing M2Crypto, try installing it with the following command:

```
Dehian and Uhuntu gustama have modified amount libraries and mandate that a notabed varion of MCCrimto ha
```

env SWIG_FEATURES="-cpperraswarn -includeall -D__ 'uname -m '__ -I/usr/include/openssl" pip install M20

Debian and Ubuntu systems have modified openssl libraries and mandate that a patched version of M2Crypto be installed. This means that M2Crypto needs to be installed via apt:

```
apt-get install python-m2crypto
```

This also means that pulling in the M2Crypto installed using apt requires using --system-site-packages when creating the virtualenv.

If you're using a platform other than Debian or Ubuntu, and you are installing M2Crypto via pip instead of a system package, then you will also need the gcc compiler.

Note: Installing psutil

Python header files are required to build this module, otherwise the pip install will fail. If your distribution separates binaries and headers into separate packages, make sure that you have the headers installed. In most Linux distributions which split the headers into their own package, this can be done by installing the python-dev or python-devel package. For other platforms, the package will likely be similarly named.

Note: Installing dependencies on OS X.

You can install needed dependencies on OS X using homebrew or macports. See OS X Installation

Warning: Installing on RedHat-based Distros

If installing from pip (or from source using setup.py install), be advised that the yum-utils package is needed for Salt to manage packages on RedHat-based systems.

Running a self-contained development version

During development it is easiest to be able to run the Salt master and minion that are installed in the virtualenv you created above, and also to have all the configuration, log, and cache files contained in the virtualenv as well.

Copy the master and minion config files into your virtualenv:

```
mkdir -p /path/to/your/virtualenv/etc/salt
cp ./salt/conf/master /path/to/your/virtualenv/etc/salt/master
cp ./salt/conf/minion /path/to/your/virtualenv/etc/salt/minion
```

Edit the master config file:

- 1. Uncomment and change the user: root value to your own user.
- 2. Uncomment and change the root_dir: / value to point to /path/to/your/virtualenv.
- 3. If 0.11.1 uncomment VOII are running version older. and change the pidfile: /var/run/salt-master.pid value point /path/to/your/virtualenv/salt-master.pid.
- 4. If you are also running a non-development version of Salt you will have to change the publish_port and ret_port values as well.

Edit the minion config file:

- 1. Repeat the edits you made in the master config for the user and root_dir values as well as any port changes.
- 2. If are running version 0.11.1 older, uncomment and change the pidfile: /var/run/salt-minion.pid value to point to /path/to/your/virtualenv/salt-minion.pid.
- 3. Uncomment and change the master: salt value to point at localhost.
- 4. Uncomment and change the id: value to something descriptive like "saltdev". This isn't strictly necessary but it will serve as a reminder of which Salt installation you are working with.
- 5. If you changed the ret_port value in the master config because you are also running a non-development version of Salt, then you will have to change the master_port value in the minion config to match.

Note: Using *salt-call* with a *Standalone Minion*

If you plan to run *salt-call* with this self-contained development environment in a masterless setup, you should invoke *salt-call* with -c /path/to/your/virtualenv/etc/salt so that salt can find the minion config file. Without the -c option, Salt finds its config files in */etc/salt*.

Start the master and minion, accept the minion's key, and verify your local Salt installation is working:

```
cd /path/to/your/virtualenv
salt-master -c ./etc/salt -d
salt-minion -c ./etc/salt -d
salt-key -c ./etc/salt -L
salt-key -c ./etc/salt -A
salt -c ./etc/salt '*' test.ping
```

Running the master and minion in debug mode can be helpful when developing. To do this, add -1 debug to the calls to salt-master and salt-minion. If you would like to log to the console instead of to the log file, remove the -d.

Once the minion starts, you may see an error like the following:

```
\verb|zmq.core.error.ZMQError: ipc path "/path/to/your/virtualenv/var/run/salt/minion/minion_event_7824dcbergers and the state of the path to the state of the stat
```

This means the path to the socket the minion is using is too long. This is a system limitation, so the only workaround is to reduce the length of this path. This can be done in a couple different ways:

- 1. Create your virtualenv in a path that is short enough.
- 2. Edit the sock_dir minion config variable and reduce its length. Remember that this path is relative to the value you set in root_dir.

NOTE: The socket path is limited to 107 characters on Solaris and Linux, and 103 characters on BSD-based systems.

Note: File descriptor limits

Ensure that the system open file limit is raised to at least 2047:

```
# check your current limit
ulimit -n

# raise the limit. persists only until reboot
# use 'limit descriptors 2047' for c-shell
ulimit -n 2047
```

To set file descriptors on OSX, refer to the OSX Installation instructions.

23.4.5 Installing Salt from the Python Package Index

If you are installing using easy_install, you will need to define a **USE_SETUPTOOLS** environment variable, otherwise dependencies will not be installed:

```
USE_SETUPTOOLS=1 easy_install salt
```

23.4.6 Editing and previewing the documentation

You need sphinx-build command to build the docs. In Debian/Ubuntu this is provided in the python-sphinx package. Sphinx can also be installed to a virtualenv using pip:

```
pip install Sphinx
```

Change to salt documentation directory, then:

```
cd doc; make html
```

- This will build the HTML docs. Run make without any arguments to see the available make targets, which
 include html, man, and text.
- The docs then are built within the **docs/_build/** folder. To update the docs after making changes, run make again.
- The docs use reStructuredText for markup. See a live demo at http://rst.ninjs.org/.
- The help information on each module or state is culled from the python code that runs for that piece. Find them in salt/modules/or salt/states/.
- To build the docs on Arch Linux, the **python2-sphinx** package is required. Additionally, it is necessary to tell **make** where to find the proper **sphinx-build** binary, like so:

```
make SPHINXBUILD=sphinx-build2 html
```

• To build the docs on RHEL/CentOS 6, the **python-sphinx10** package must be installed from EPEL, and the following make command must be used:

```
make SPHINXBUILD=sphinx-1.0-build html
```

Once you've updated the documentation, you can run the following command to launch a simple Python HTTP server to see your changes:

```
cd _build/html; python -m SimpleHTTPServer
```

23.4.7 Running unit and integration tests

Run the test suite with following command:

```
./setup.py test
```

See *here* for more information regarding the test suite.

23.5 Logging Internals

TODO

23.6 Modular Systems

When first working with Salt, it is not always clear where all of the modular components are and what they do. Salt comes loaded with more modular systems than many users are aware of, making Salt very easy to extend in many places.

The most commonly used modular systems are execution modules and states. But the modular systems extend well beyond the more easily exposed components and are often added to Salt to make the complete system more flexible.

23.6.1 Execution Modules

Execution modules make up the core of the functionality used by Salt to interact with client systems. The execution modules create the core system management library used by all Salt systems, including states, which interact with minion systems.

Execution modules are completely open ended in their execution. They can be used to do anything required on a minion, from installing packages to detecting information about the system. The only restraint in execution modules is that the defined functions always return a JSON serializable object.

For a list of all built in execution modules, click here

For information on writing execution modules, see this page.

23.6.2 State Modules

State modules are used to define the state interfaces used by Salt States. These modules are restrictive in that they must follow a number of rules to function properly.

Note: State modules define the available routines in sls files. If calling an execution module directly is desired, take a look at the *module* state.

23.6.3 Auth

The auth module system allows for external authentication routines to be easily added into Salt. The *auth* function needs to be implemented to satisfy the requirements of an auth module. Use the pam module as an example.

23.6.4 Fileserver

The fileserver module system is used to create fileserver backends used by the Salt Master. These modules need to implement the functions used in the fileserver subsystem. Use the gitfs module as an example.

23.6.5 Grains

Grain modules define extra routines to populate grains data. All defined public functions will be executed and MUST return a Python dict object. The dict keys will be added to the grains made available to the minion.

23.6.6 Output

The output modules supply the outputter system with routines to display data in the terminal. These modules are very simple and only require the *output* function to execute. The default system outputter is the nested module.

23.6.7 Pillar

Used to define optional external pillar systems. The pillar generated via the filesystem pillar is passed into external pillars. This is commonly used as a bridge to database data for pillar, but is also the backend to the libvirt state used to generate and sign libvirt certificates on the fly.

23.6.8 Renderers

Renderers are the system used to render sls files into salt highdata for the state compiler. They can be as simple as the py renderer and as complex as stateconf and pydsl.

23.6.9 Returners

Returners are used to send data from minions to external sources, commonly databases. A full returner will implement all routines to be supported as an external job cache. Use the redis returner as an example.

23.6.10 Runners

Runners are purely master-side execution sequences. These range from simple reporting to orchestration engines like the overstate.

23.6.11 Tops

Tops modules are used to convert external data sources into top file data for the state system.

23.6.12 Wheel

The wheel system is used to manage master side management routines. These routines are primarily intended for the API to enable master configuration.

23.7 Package Providers

This page contains guidelines for writing package providers.

23.7.1 Package Functions

One of the most important features of Salt is package management. There is no shortage of package managers, so in the interest of providing a consistent experience in pkg states, there are certain functions that should be present in a package provider. Note that these are subject to change as new features are added or existing features are enhanced.

list_pkgs

This function should declare an empty dict, and then add packages to it by calling pkg_resource.add_pkg, like so:

```
__salt__['pkg_resource.add_pkg'](ret, name, version)
```

The last thing that should be done before returning is to execute pkg_resource.sort_pkglist. This function does not presently do anything to the return dict, but will be used in future versions of Salt.

```
__salt__['pkg_resource.sort_pkglist'](ret)
```

list_pkgs returns a dictionary of installed packages, with the keys being the package names and the values being the version installed. Example return data:

```
{'foo': '1.2.3-4',
  'bar': '5.6.7-8'}
```

latest version

Accepts an arbitrary number of arguments. Each argument is a package name. The return value for a package will be an empty string if the package is not found or if the package is up-to-date. The only case in which a non-empty string is returned is if the package is available for new installation (i.e. not already installed) or if there is an upgrade available.

If only one argument was passed, this function return a string, otherwise a dict of name/version pairs is returned.

This function must also accept **kwargs, in order to receive the fromrepo and repo keyword arguments from pkg states. Where supported, these arguments should be used to find the install/upgrade candidate in the specified repository. The fromrepo kwarg takes precedence over repo, so if both of those kwargs are present, the repository specified in fromrepo should be used. However, if repo is used instead of fromrepo, it should still work, to preserve backwards compatibility with older versions of Salt.

version

Like latest_version, accepts an arbitrary number of arguments and returns a string if a single package name was passed, or a dict of name/value pairs if more than one was passed. The only difference is that the return values are the currently-installed versions of whatever packages are passed. If the package is not installed, an empty string is returned for that package.

upgrade available

Deprecated and destined to be removed. For now, should just do the following:

```
return __salt__['pkg.latest_version'] (name) != ''
```

install

The following arguments are required and should default to None:

- 1. name (for single-package pkg states)
- 2. pkgs (for multiple-package pkg states)
- 3. sources (for binary package file installation)

The first thing that this function should do is call pkg_resource.parse_targets (see below). This function will convert the SLS input into a more easily parsed data structure. pkg_resource.parse_targets may need to be modified to support your new package provider, as it does things like parsing package metadata which cannot be done for every package management system.

Two values will be returned to the **install** function. The first of them will be a dictionary. The keys of this dictionary will be package names, though the values will differ depending on what kind of installation is being done:

- If **name** was provided (and **pkgs** was not), then there will be a single key in the dictionary, and its value will be None. Once the data has been returned, if the **version** keyword argument was provided, then it should replace the None value in the dictionary.
- If **pkgs** was provided, then **name** is ignored, and the dictionary will contain one entry for each package in the **pkgs** list. The values in the dictionary will be None if a version was not specified for the package, and the

desired version if specified. See the **Multiple Package Installation Options** section of the pkg.installed state for more info.

• If sources was provided, then name is ignored, and the dictionary values will be the path/URI for the package.

The second return value will be a string with two possible values: repository or file. The **install** function can use this value (if necessary) to build the proper command to install the targeted package(s).

Both before and after the installing the target(s), you should run **list_pkgs** to obtain a list of the installed packages. You should then return the output of salt.utils.compare_dicts()

```
return salt.utils.compare_dicts(old, new)
```

remove

Removes the passed package and return a list of the packages removed.

23.7.2 Package Repo Functions

There are some functions provided by pkg which are specific to package repositories, and not to packages themselves. When writing modules for new package managers, these functions should be made available as stated below, in order to provide compatibility with the pkgrepo state.

All repo functions should accept a basedir option, which defines which directory repository configuration should be found in. The default for this is dictated by the repo manager that is being used, and rarely needs to be changed.

```
basedir = '/etc/yum.repos.d'
__salt__['pkg.list_repos'] (basedir)
```

list repos

Lists the repositories that are currently configured on this system.

```
__salt__['pkg.list_repos']()
```

Returns a dictionary, in the following format:

get_repo

Displays all local configuration for a specific repository.

```
__salt__['pkg.get_repo'](repo='myrepo')
```

The information is formatted in much the same way as list_repos, but is specific to only one repo.

del repo

Removes the local configuration for a specific repository. Requires a *repo* argument, which must match the locally configured name. This function returns a string, which informs the user as to whether or not the operation was a success.

```
__salt__['pkg.del_repo'](repo='myrepo')
```

mod repo

Modify the local configuration for one or more option for a configured repo. This is also the way to create new repository configuration on the local system; if a repo is specified which does not yet exist, it will be created.

The options specified for this function are specific to the system; please refer to the documentation for your specific repo manager for specifics.

```
__salt__['pkg.mod_repo'](repo='myrepo', url='http://myurl.com/repo')
```

23.7.3 Low-Package Functions

In general, the standard package functions as describes above will meet your needs. These functions use the system's native repo manager (for instance, yum or the apt tools). In most cases, the repo manager is actually separate from the package manager. For instance, yum is usually a front-end for rpm, and apt is usually a front-end for dpkg. When possible, the package functions that use those package managers directly should do so through the low package functions.

It is normal and sane for pkg to make calls to lowpkgs, but lowpkg must never make calls to pkg. This is affects functions which are required by both pkg and lowpkg, but the technique in pkg is more performant than what is available to lowpkg. When this is the case, the lowpkg function that requires that technique must still use the lowpkg version.

list_pkgs

Returns a dict of packages installed, including the package name and version. Can accept a list of packages; if none are specified, then all installed packages will be listed.

```
installed = __salt__['lowpkg.list_pkgs']('foo', 'bar')
```

Example output:

```
{'foo': '1.2.3-4',
  'bar': '5.6.7-8'}
```

verify

Many (but not all) package management systems provide a way to verify that the files installed by the package manager have or have not changed. This function accepts a list of packages; if none are specified, all packages will be included.

```
installed = __salt__['lowpkg.verify']('httpd')
```

Example output:

file list

Lists all of the files installed by all packages specified. If not packages are specified, then all files for all known packages are returned.

```
installed = __salt__['lowpkg.file_list']('httpd', 'apache')
```

This function does not return which files belong to which packages; all files are returned as one giant list (hence the *file_list* function name. However, This information is still returned inside of a dict, so that it can provide any errors to the user in a sane manner.

file_dict

Lists all of the files installed by all packages specified. If not packages are specified, then all files for all known packages are returned.

```
installed = __salt__['lowpkg.file_dict']('httpd', 'apache', 'kernel')
```

Unlike *file_list*, this function will break down which files belong to which packages. It will also return errors in the same manner as *file_list*.

23.8 Community Projects That Use Salt

Below is a list of repositories that show real world Salt applications that you can use to get started. Please note that these projects do not adhere to any standards and express a wide variety of ideas and opinions on how an action can be completed with Salt.

https://github.com/terminalmage/djangocon2013-sls

https://github.com/jesusaurus/hpcs-salt-state

https://github.com/gravyboat/hungryadmin-sls

https://github.com/wunki/django-salted

23.9 Salt Topology

Salt is based on a powerful, asynchronous, network topology using ZeroMQ. Many ZeroMQ systems are in place to enable communication. The central idea is to have the fastest communication possible.

23.9.1 Servers

The Salt Master runs 2 network services. First is the ZeroMQ PUB system. This service by default runs on port 4505 and can be configured via the publish_port option in the master configuration.

Second is the ZeroMQ REP system. This is a separate interface used for all bi-directional communication with minions. By default this system binds to port 4506 and can be configured via the ret_port option in the master.

23.9.2 PUB/SUB

The commands sent out via the salt client are broadcast out to the minions via ZeroMQ PUB/SUB. This is done by allowing the minions to maintain a connection back to the Salt Master and then all connections are informed to download the command data at once. The command data is kept extremely small (usually less than 1K) so it is not a burden on the network.

23.9.3 Return

The PUB/SUB system is a one way communication, so once a publish is sent out the PUB interface on the master has no further communication with the minion. The minion, after running the command, then sends the command's return data back to the master via the ret_port.

23.10 Translating Documentation

If you wish to help translate the Salt documentation to your language, please head over to the Transifex website and signup for an account.

Once registered, head over to the Salt Translation Project, and either click on **Request Language** if you can't find yours, or, select the language for which you wish to contribute and click **Join Team**.

Transifex provides some useful reading resources on their support domain, namely, some useful articles directed to translators.

23.10.1 Building A Localized Version of the Documentation

While you're working on your translation on Transifex, you might want to have a look at how it's rendering.

Install The Transifex Client

To interact with the Transifex web service you will need to install the transifex-client:

```
pip install transifex-client
```

Configure The Transifex Client

Once installed, you will need to set it up on your computer. We created a script to help you with that:

```
.scripts/setup-transifex-config
```

Download Remote Translations

There's a little script which simplifies the download process of the translations(which isn't that complicated in the first place). So, let's assume you're translating pt_PT, Portuguese(Portugal). To download the translations, execute from the doc/directory of your Salt checkout:

```
make download-translations SPHINXLANG=pt_PT
```

To download pt_PT, Portuguese(Portugal) and n1, Dutch, you can use the helper script directly:

```
.scripts/download-translation-catalog pt_PT nl
```

Build Localized Documentation

After the download process finishes, which might take a while, the next step is to build a localized version of the documentation. Following the pt_PT example above:

```
make html SPHINXLANG=pt_PT
```

View Localized Documentation

Open your browser, point it to the local documentation path and check the localized output you've just build.

23.11 Running The Tests

There are requirements, in addition to Salt's requirements, which needs to be installed in order to run the test suite. Install one of the lines below, depending on the relevant Python version:

```
pip install -r dev_requirements_python26.txt
pip install -r dev_requirements_python27.txt
```

Note: In Salt 0.17, testing libraries were migrated into their own repo. To install them:

```
pip install git+https://github.com/saltstack/salt-testing.git#egg=SaltTesting
```

Failure to install SaltTesting will result in import errors similar to the following:

```
{\tt ImportError:}\ {\tt No\ module\ named\ salttesting}
```

Once all require requirements are set, use tests/runtests.py to run the tests, see --help for more info.

And alternative way of invoking the tests is available in setup.py, run the tests with the following command:

```
./setup.py test
```

Examples:

- Run unit tests only: sudo ./tests/runtests.py --unit-tests
- Run a specific set of integration tests only: sudo ./tests/runtests.py -n integration.modules.virt -vv
- Run a specific set of unit tests only: ./tests/runtests.py -n unit.modules.virt_test -vv

23.11.1 Running The Tests In A Docker Container

If the runtests.py binary supports the --docked option flag, you can choose to execute the tests suite under the provided docker container. You need to have your docker properly configured on your system and the containers need to have access to the internet.

Here's a simple usage example:

```
tests/runtests.py --docked=ubuntu-12.04 -v
```

You can also provide the full docker container repository:

```
tests/runtests.py --docked=salttest/ubuntu-12.04 -v
```

The SaltStack team is creating some containers which will have the necessary dependencies pre-installed allowing you, for example, to run the destructive tests without making a single destructive change to your system, or, to run the tests suite under a different distribution than the one you're currently using.

You can see the current list of test suite images on our docker repository.

If you wish to provide your own docker container, you can submit pull requests against our docker salt test containers repository.

23.12 Writing Tests

Salt uses a test platform to verify functionality of components in a simple way. Two testing systems exist to enable testing salt functions in somewhat real environments. The two subsystems available are integration tests and unit tests.

Salt uses the python standard library unittest2 system for testing.

23.12.1 Integration Tests

The integration tests start up a number of salt daemons to test functionality in a live environment. These daemons include 2 salt masters, 1 syndic and 2 minions. This allows for the syndic interface to be tested and master/minion communication to be verified. All of the integration tests are executed as live salt commands sent through the started daemons.

• Writing integration tests

Integration tests are particularly good at testing modules, states and shell commands.

23.12.2 Unit Tests

Direct unit tests are also available, these tests are good for internal functions.

• Writing unit tests

Integration Tests

The Salt integration tests come with a number of classes and methods which allow for components to be easily tested. These classes are generally inherited from and provide specific methods for hooking into the running integration test environment created by the integration tests.

It is noteworthy that since integration tests validate against a running environment that they are generally the preferred means to write tests.

The integration system is all located under tests/integration in the Salt source tree.

Integration Classes

The integration classes are located in tests/integration/__init__.py and can be extended therein. There are three classes available to extend:

ModuleCase Used to define executions run via the master to minions and to call single modules and states.

The available methods are as follows:

run_function: Run a single salt function and condition the return down to match the behavior of the raw function call. This will run the command and only return the results from a single minion to verify.

state_result: Return the result data from a single state return

run_state: Run the state.single command and return the state return structure

SyndicCase Used to execute remote commands via a syndic, only used to verify the capabilities of the Syndic.

The available methods are as follows:

run_function: Run a single salt function and condition the return down to match the behavior of the raw function call. This will run the command and only return the results from a single minion to verify.

ShellCase Shell out to the scripts which ship with Salt.

The available methods are as follows:

run_script: Execute a salt script with the given argument string

run salt: Execute the salt command, pass in the argument string as it would be passed on the command line.

run_run: Execute the salt-run command, pass in the argument string as it would be passed on the command line.

run_run_plus: Execute Salt run and the salt run function and return the data from each in a dict

run_key: Execute the salt-key command, pass in the argument string as it would be passed on the command line.

run cp: Execute salt-cp, pass in the argument string as it would be passed on the command line.

run_call: Execute salt-call, pass in the argument string as it would be passed on the command line.

Examples

Module Example via ModuleCase Class Import the integration module, this module is already added to the python path by the test execution. Inherit from the integration. ModuleCase class. The tests that execute against salt modules should be placed in the *tests/integration/modules* directory so that they will be detected by the test system.

Now the workhorse method run_function can be used to test a module:

ModuleCase can also be used to test states, when testing states place the test module in the *tests/integration/states* directory. The state_result and the run_state methods are the workhorse here:

```
import os
import shutil
import integration
HFILE = os.path.join(integration.TMP, 'hosts')
class HostTest (integration.ModuleCase):
    Validate the host state
    def setUp(self):
        shutil.copyfile(os.path.join(integration.FILES, 'hosts'), HFILE)
        super(HostTest, self).setUp()
    def tearDown(self):
        if os.path.exists(HFILE):
            os.remove(HFILE)
        super(HostTest, self).tearDown()
    def test_present(self):
        111
        host.present
        name = 'spam.bacon'
        ip = '10.10.10.10'
        ret = self.run_state('host.present', name=name, ip=ip)
        result = self.state_result(ret)
        self.assertTrue(result)
        with open (HFILE) as fp_:
            output = fp_.read()
            self.assertIn('{0}\t\t{1}'.format(ip, name), output)
```

The above example also demonstrates using the integration files and the integration state tree. The variable *integration.FILES* will point to the directory used to store files that can be used or added to to help enable tests that require files. The location *integration.TMP* can also be used to store temporary files that the test system will clean up when the execution finishes.

The integration state tree can be found at *tests/integration/files/file/base*. This is where the referenced *host.present* sls file resides.

Shell Example via ShellCase Validating the shell commands can be done via shell tests. Here are some examples:

```
import sys
import shutil
import tempfile
import integration
class KeyTest (integration.ShellCase):
    Test salt-key script
    _call_binary_ = 'salt-key'
    def test_list(self):
        111
        test salt-key -L
        111
        data = self.run_key('-L')
        expect = [
                'Unaccepted Keys:',
                'Accepted Keys:',
                'minion',
                'sub_minion',
                'Rejected:', '']
        self.assertEqual(data, expect)
```

This example verifies that the salt-key command executes and returns as expected by making use of the run_key method.

All shell tests should be placed in the *tests/integraion/shell* directory.

Writing Unit Tests

Introduction

Like many software projects, Salt has two broad-based testing approaches – integration testing and unit testing. While integration testing focuses on the interaction between components in a sandboxed environment, unit testing focuses on the singular implementation of individual functions.

Preparing to Write a Unit Test

Unit tests live in: tests/unit/.

Most commonly, the following imports are necessary to create a unit test:

```
# Import Salt Testing libs
from salttesting import skipIf, TestCase
from salttesting.helpers import ensure_in_syspath
```

If you need mock support to your tests, please also import:

```
from salttesting.mock import NO_MOCK, NO_MOCK_REASON, MagicMock, patch, call
```

A Simple Example

Let's assume that we're testing a very basic function in an imaginary Salt execution module. Given a module called fib.py that has a function called 'calculate(num_of_results)', which given a 'num_of_results', produces a list of sequential Fibonacci numbers of that length.

A unit test to test this function might be commonly placed in a file called tests/unit/modules/fib_test.py. The convention is to place unit tests for Salt execution modules in test/unit/modules/ and to name the tests module suffixed with _test.py.

Tests are grouped around test cases, which are logically grouped sets of tests against a piece of functionality in the tested software. Test cases are created as Python classes in the unit test module. To return to our example, here's how we might write the skeleton for testing fib.py:

```
# Import Salt Testing libs
from salttesting import TestCase
# Import Salt execution module to test
from salt.modules import fib
# Create test case class and inherit from Salt's customized TestCase
class FibTestCase(TestCase):
    111
    If we want to set up variables common to all unit tests, we can do so
    by defining a setUp method, which will be run automatically before
    tests begin.
    def setUp(self):
        # Declare a simple set of five Fibonacci numbers starting at zero that we know are correct.
        self.fib_five = [0, 1, 1, 2, 3]
    def test_fib(self):
        To create a unit test, we should prefix the name with 'test_' so that it's recognized by the
        self.assertEqual(fib.calculate(5), self.fib_five)
```

At this point, the test can now be run, either individually or as a part of a full run of the test runner. To ease development, a single test can be executed:

```
tests/runtests.py -n unit.modules.fib_test
```

This will produce output indicating the success or failure of the tests in given test case. For more detailed results, one can also include a flag to increase verbosity:

```
tests/runtests.py -n unit.modules.fib_test -v
```

To review the results of a particular run, take a note of the log location given in the output for each test:

Logging tests on /var/folders/nl/d809xbq577l3qrbj3ymtpbq80000gn/T/salt-runtests.log

Evaluating Truth

A longer discussion on the types of assertions one can make can be found by reading Python's documentation on unit testing.

Tests Using Mock Objects

In many cases, the very purpose of a Salt module is to interact with some external system, whether it be to control a database, manipulate files on a filesystem or many other examples. In these varied cases, it's necessary to design a unit test which can test the function whilst replacing functions which might actually call out to external systems. One might think of this as "blocking the exits" for code under tests and redirecting the calls to external systems with our own code which produces known results during the duration of the test.

To achieve this behavior, Salt makes heavy use of the MagicMock package.

To understand how one might integrate Mock into writing a unit test for Salt, let's imagine a scenario in which we're testing an execution module that's designed to operate on a database. Furthermore, let's imagine two separate methods, here presented in pseduo-code in an imaginary execution module called 'db.py.

```
def create_user(username):
    qry = 'CREATE USER {0}'.format(username)
    execute_query(qry)

def execute_query(qry):
    # Connect to a database and actually do the query...
```

Here, let's imagine that we want to create a unit test for the *create_user* function. In doing so, we want to avoid any calls out to an external system and so while we are running our unit tests, we want to replace the actual interaction with a database with a function that can capture the parameters sent to it and return pre-defined values. Therefore, our task is clear – to write a unit test which tests the functionality of *create_user* while also replacing 'execute_query' with a mocked function.

To begin, we set up the skeleton of our class much like we did before, but with additional imports for MagicMock:

```
# Import Salt Testing libs
from salttesting import TestCase
# Import Salt execution module to test
from salt.modules import db
# NEW! -- Import Mock libraries
from salttesting.mock import NO_MOCK, NO_MOCK_REASON, MagicMock, patch, call
# Create test case class and inherit from Salt's customized TestCase
@skipIf(NO_MOCK, NO_MOCK_REASON) # Skip this test case if we don't have access to mock!
class DbTestCase(TestCase):
   def test_create_user(self):
        # First, we replace 'execute_query' with our own mock function
        db.execute_query = MagicMock()
        # Now that the exits are blocked, we can run the function under test.
        db.create user('testuser')
        # We could now query our mock object to see which calls were made to it.
        ## print db.execute_query.mock_calls
        We want to test to ensure that the correct query was formed.
        This is a contrived example, just designed to illustrate the concepts at hand.
        We're going to first contruct a call() object that represents the way we expect
        our mocked execute_query() function to have been called.
```

```
Then, we'll examine the list of calls that were actually made to to execute_function().

By comparing our expected call to execute_query() with create_user()'s call to execute_query(), we can determine the success or failure of our unit test.

'''

expected_call = call('CREATE USER testuser')

# Do the comparison! Will assert False if execute_query() was not called with the given call db.execute_query.assert_has_calls(expected_call)
```

Modifying __salt__ In Place

At times, it becomes necessary to make modifications to a module's view of functions in its own __salt__ dictionary. Luckily, this process is quite easy.

Below is an example that uses MagicMock's patch functionality to insert a function into __salt__ that's actually a MagicMock instance.

```
def show_patch(self):
    with patch.dict(my_module.__salt__, {'function.to_replace': MagicMock()}:
        # From this scope, carry on with testing, with a modified __salt__!
```

23.13 raet

RAET # Reliable Asynchronous Event Transport Protocol

23.13.1 Protocol

Layering:

OSI Layers

7: Application: Format: Data (Stack to Application interface buffering etc) 6: Presentation: Format: Data (Encrypt-Decrypt convert to machine independent format) 5: Session: Format: Data (Interhost communications. Authentication. Groups) 4: Transport: Format: Segments (Reliable delivery of Message, Transactions, Segmentation, Error checking) 3: Network: Format: Packets/Datagrams (Addressing Routing) 2: Link: Format: Frames (Reliable per frame communications connection, Media access controller) 1: Physical: Bits (Transceiver communication connection not reliable)

Link is hidden from Raet Network is IP host address and Udp Port Transport is Raet transactions, service kind, tail error checking, Could include header signing as part of transport reliable delivery serialization of header Session is session id key exchange for signing. Grouping is Road (like 852 channel) Presentation is Encrypt Decrypt body Serialize Deserialize Body Application is body data dictionary

Header signing spans both the Transport and Session layers.

23.13.2 Header

JSON Header (Tradeoff some processing speed for extensibility, ease of use, readability)

Body initially JSON but support for "packed" binary body

23.13.3 Packet

Header ASCII Safe JSON Header termination: Empty line given by double pair of carriage return linefeed /r/n/r/n 10 13 10 13 ADAD 1010 1101 1010 1101

In json carriage return and newline characters cannot appear in a json encoded string unless they are escaped with backslash, so the 4 byte combination is illegal in valid json that does not have multi-byte unicode characters.

These means the header must be ascii safe so no multibyte utf-8 strings allowed in header.

Following Header Terminator is variable length signature block. This is binary and the length is provided in the header.

Following the signature block is the packet body or data. This may either be JSON or packed binary. The format is given in the json header

Finally is an optional tail block for error checking or encryption details

23.13.4 Header Fields

```
In UDP header
```

sh = source host sp = source port dh = destination host dp = destination port

In RAET Header

hk = header kind hl = header length

vn = version number

sd = Source Device ID dd = Destination Device ID cf = Corresponder Flag mf = Multicast Flag

si = Session ID ti = Transaction ID

sk = Service Kind pk = Packet Kind bf = Burst Flag (Send all Segments or Ordered packets without interleaved acks)

oi = Order Index dt = DateTime Stamp

sn = Segment Number sc = Segment Count

pf = Pending Segment Flag af = All Flag (Resent all Segments not just one)

nk = Auth header kind nl = Auth header length

bk = body kind bl = body length

tk = tail kind tl = tail length

fg = flags packed (Flags) Default '00' hex string 2 byte Hex string with bits (0, 0, af, pf, 0, bf, mf, cf) Zeros are TBD flags

23.13.5 Session Bootstrap

Minion sends packet with SID of Zero with public key of minions Public Private Key pair Master acks packet with SID of Zero to let minion know it received the request

Some time later Master sends packet with SID of zero that accepts the Minion

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23.13.6 Session

Session is important for security. Want one session opened and then multiple transactions within session.

Session ID SID sid

GUID hash to guarantee uniqueness since no guarantee of nonvolatile storage or require file storage to keep last session ID used.

23.13.7 Service Types or Modular Services

Four Service Types

- 1. One or more maybe (unacknowledged repeat) maybe means no guarantee
- 2. Exactly one at most (ack with retries) (duplicate detection idempotent) at most means fixed number of retries has finite probability of failing B1) finite retries B2) infinite retries with exponential back-off up to a maximum delay
- 3. **Exactly one of sequence at most (sequence numbered)** Receiver requests retry of missing packet with same B1 or B2 retry type
- 4. End to End (Application layer Request Response) This is two B sub transactions

Initially unicast messaging Eventually support for Multicast

The use case for C) is to fragment large packets as once a UDP packet exceeds the frame size its reliability goes way down So its more reliable to fragment large packets.

Better approach might be to have more modularity. Services Levels

- 1. Maybe one or more
 - (a) Fire and forget no transaction either side
 - (b) **Repeat, no ack, no dupdet** repeat counter send side, no transaction on receive side
 - (c) Repeat, no Ack, dupdet repeat counter send side, dup detection transaction receive side
- 2. More or Less Once
 - (a) retry finite, ack no dupdet retry timer send side, finite number of retires ack receive side no dupdet
- 3. At most Once
 - (a) **retry finite, ack, dupdet** retry timer send side, finite number of retires ack receive side dupdet
- 4. Exactly once
 - (a) **ack retry** retry timer send side, ack and duplicate detection receive side Infinite retries with exponential backoff
- 5. Sequential sequence number
 - (a) reorder escrow
 - (b) Segmented packets
- 6. request response to application layer

Service Features

- 1. repeats
- 2. ack retry transaction id

- 3. sequence number duplicate detection out of order detection sequencing
- 4. rep-req

Always include transaction id since multiple transactions on same port So get duplicate detection for free if keep transaction alive but if use

- A) Maybe one or more B1) At Least One B2) Exactly One C) One of sequence D) End to End
- A) Sender creates transaction id for number of repeats but receiver does not keep transaction alive
- B1) Sender creates transaction id keeps it for retries. Receiver keeps it to send ack then kills so retry could be duplicate not detected
- B2) Sender creates transaction id keeps for retries Receiver keeps tid for acks on any retires so no duplicates.
- C) Sender creates TID and Sequence Number. Receiver checks for out of order sequence and can request retry.
- D) Application layer sends response. So question is do we keep transaction open or have response be new transaction. No because then we need a rep-req ID so might as well use the same transaction id. Just keep alive until get response.

Little advantage to B1 vs B2 not having duplicates.

So 4 service types

- 1. Maybe one or more (unacknowledged repeat)
- 2. Exactly One (At most one) (ack with retry) (duplicate detection idempotent)
- 3. One of Sequence (sequence numbered)
- 4. End to End

Also multicast or unicast

Modular Transaction Table

Sender Side: Transaction ID plus transaction source sender or receiver generated transaction id Repeat Counter Retry Timer Retry Counter (finite retries) Redo Timer (infinite redos with exponential backoff) Sequence number without acks (look for resend requests) Sequence with ack (wait for ack before sending next in sequence) Segmentation

Receiver Side: Nothing just accept packet Acknowledge (can delete transaction after acknowledge) No duplicate detection Transaction timeout (keep transaction until timeout) Duplicate detection save transaction id duplicate detection timeout Request resend of missing packet in sequence Sequence reordering with escrow timeout wait escrow before requesting resend Unsegmentation (request resends of missing segment)

23.14 SaltStack Git Policy

The SaltStack team follows a git policy to maintain stability and consistency with the repository.

The git policy has been developed to encourage contributions and make contributing to Salt as easy as possible. Code contributors to SaltStack projects DO NOT NEED TO READ THIS DOCUMENT, because all contributions come into SaltStack via a single gateway to make it as easy as possible for contributors to give us code.

The primary rule of git management in SaltStack is to make life easy on contributors and developers to send in code. Simplicity is always a goal!

23.14.1 New Code Entry

All new SaltStack code is posted to the *develop* branch, which is the single point of entry. The only exception is when a bugfix to develop cannot be cleanly merged into a release branch and the bugfix needs to be rewritten for the release branch.

23.14.2 Release Branching

SaltStack maintains two types of releases, *Feature Releases* and *Point Releases*. A feature release is managed by incrementing the first or second release point number, so 0.10.5 -> 0.11.0 signifies a feature release and 0.11.0 -> 0.11.1 signifies a point release, also a hypothetical 0.42.7 -> 1.0.0 would also signify a feature release.

Feature Release Branching

Each feature release is maintained in a dedicated git branch derived from the last applicable release commit on develop. All file changes relevant to the feature release will be completed in the develop branch prior to the creation of the feature release branch. The feature release branch will be named after the relevant numbers to the feature release, which constitute the first two numbers. This means that the release branch for the 0.11.0 series is named 0.11.

A feature release branch is created with the following command:

```
\# git checkout -b 0.11 \# From the develop branch \# git push origin 0.11
```

Point Releases

Each point release is derived from its parent release branch. Constructing point releases is a critical aspect of Salt development and is managed by members of the core development team. Point releases comprise bug and security fixes which are cherry picked from develop onto the aforementioned release branch. At the time when a core developer accepts a pull request a determination needs to be made if the commits in the pull request need to be backported to the release branch. Some simple criteria are used to make this determination:

- Is this commit fixing a bug? Backport
- Does this commit change or add new features in any way? Don't backport
- Is this a PEP8 or code cleanup commit? Don't backport
- Does this commit fix a security issue? Backport

Determining when a point release is going to be made is up to the project leader (Thomas Hatch). Generally point releases are made every 1-2 weeks or if there is a security fix they can be made sooner.

The point release is only designated by tagging the commit on the release branch with release number using the existing convention (version 0.11.1 is tagged with v0.11.1). From the tag point a new source tarball is generated and published to PyPI, and a release announcement is made.

23.15 Salt Conventions

23.15.1 Salt Formulas

Formulas are pre-written Salt States. They are as open-ended as Salt States themselves and can be used for tasks such as installing a package, configuring and starting a service, setting up users or permissions, and many other common tasks.

Note: Formulas require Salt 0.17 or later.

More accurately, Formulas are not tested on earlier versions of Salt so your mileage may vary.

All Formulas require the grains execution module that shipped with Salt 0.16.4. Earlier Salt versions may copy https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/modules/grains.py into the /srv/salt/_modules directory and it will be automatically distributed to all minions.

Some Formula utilize features added in Salt 0.17 and will not work on earlier Salt versions.

All official Salt Formulas are found as separate Git repositories in the "saltstack-formulas" organization on GitHub:

https://github.com/saltstack-formulas

As an example, quickly install and configure the popular memcached server using sane defaults simply by including the memcached-formula repository into an existing Salt States tree.

Installation

Each Salt Formula is an individual Git repository designed as a drop-in addition to an existing Salt State tree. Formulas can be installed in the following ways.

Adding a Formula as a GitFS remote

One design goal of Salt's GitFS fileserver backend was to facilitate reusable States so this is a quick and natural way to use Formulas.

See also:

Setting up GitFS

- Add one or more Formula repository URLs as remotes in the gitfs_remotes list in the Salt Master configuration file.
- 2. Restart the Salt master.

Adding a Formula directory manually

Since Formulas are simply directories they can be copied onto the local file system by using Git to clone the repository or by downloading and expanding a tarball or zip file of the directory.

- Clone the repository manually and add a new entry to file_roots pointing to the clone's directory.
- Clone the repository manually and then copy or link the Formula directory into file_roots.

Usage

Each Formula is intended to be immediately usable with sane defaults without any additional configuration. Many formulas are also configurable by including data in Pillar; see the pillar.example file in each Formula repository for available options.

Including a Formula in an existing State tree

Formula may be included in an existing sls file. This is often useful when a state you are writing needs to require or extend a state defined in the formula.

Here is an example of a state that uses the epel-formula in a require declaration which directs Salt to not install the python26 package until after the EPEL repository has also been installed:

```
include:
   - epel

python26:
   pkg:
    - installed
    - require:
    - pkg: epel
```

Including a Formula from a Top File

Some Formula perform completely standalone installations that are not referenced from other state files. It is usually cleanest to include these Formula directly from a Top File.

For example the easiest way to set up an OpenStack deployment on a single machine is to include the openstack-standalone-formula directly from a top.sls file:

```
base:
  'myopenstackmaster':
    - openstack
```

Quickly deploying OpenStack across several dedicated machines could also be done directly from a Top File and may look something like this:

Configuring Formula using Pillar

Salt Formulas are designed to work out of the box with no additional configuration. However, many Formula support additional configuration and customization through *Pillar*. Examples of available options can be found in a file named pillar.example in the root directory of each Formula repository.

Modifying default Formula behavior

Remember that Formula are regular Salt States and can be used with all Salt's normal mechanisms for determining execution order. Formula can be required from other States with require declarations, they can be modified using extend, they can made to watch other states with watch_in, they can be used as templates for other States with use. Don't be shy to read through the source for each Formula!

Reporting problems & making additions

Each Formula is a separate repository on GitHub. If you encounter a bug with a Formula please file an issue in the respective repository! Send fixes and additions as a pull request. Add tips and tricks to the repository wiki.

Writing Formulas

Each Formula is a separate repository in the saltstack-formulas organization on GitHub.

Note: Get involved creating new Formulas

The best way to create new Formula repositories for now is to create a repository in your own account on GitHub and notify a SaltStack employee when it is ready. We will add you to the contributors team on the saltstack-formulas organization and help you transfer the repository over. Ping a SaltStack employee on IRC (#salt on Freenode) or send an email to the Salt mailing list.

There are a lot of repositories in that organization! Team members can manage which repositories they are subscribed to on GitHub's watching page: https://github.com/watching.

Repository structure

A basic Formula repository should have the following layout:

See also:

```
template-formula
```

The template-formula repository has a pre-built layout that serves as the basic structure for a new formula repository. Just copy the files from there and edit them.

README.rst

The README should detail each available .sls file by explaining what it does, whether it has any dependencies on other formulas, whether it has a target platform, and any other installation or usage instructions or tips.

A sample skeleton for the README.rst file:

```
foo
===
Install and configure the FOO service.
.. note::
```

```
See the full 'Salt Formulas installation and usage instructions <a href="http://docs.saltstack.com/topics/conventions/formulas.html">http://docs.saltstack.com/topics/conventions/formulas.html</a>.
```

Available states

```
''foo''

Install the ''foo'' package and enable the service.
''foo.bar''

Install the ''bar'' package.
```

CHANGELOG.rst

The CHANGELOG.rst file should detail the individual versions, their release date and a set of bullet points for each version highlighting the overall changes in a given version of the formula.

A sample skeleton for the CHANGELOG.rst file:

CHANGELOG.rst:

foo formula

```
0.0.2 (2013-01-01)

- Re-organized formula file layout

- Fixed filename used for upstart logger template

- Allow for pillar message to have default if none specified
```

map.jinja

It is useful to have a single source for platform-specific or other parameterized information that can be reused throughout a Formula. See "*Configuration and parameterization*" below for more information. Such a file should be named map. jinja and live alongside the state files.

The following is an example from the MySQL Formula that has been slightly modified to be more readable and less terse.

In essence, it is a simple dictionary that serves as a lookup table. The <code>grains.filter_by</code> function then does a lookup on that table using the <code>os_family</code> grain (by default) and sets the result to a variable that can be used throughout the formula.

See also:

```
grains.filter_by
map.jinja:

{* set mysql_lookup_table = {
    'Debian': {
        'server': 'mysql-server',
        'client': 'mysql-client',
        'service': 'mysql',
        'config': '/etc/mysql/my.cnf',
    },
    'RedHat': {
        'server': 'mysql-server',
    }
```

```
'client': 'mysql',
    'service': 'mysqld',
    'config': '/etc/my.cnf',
},
'Gentoo': {
    'server': 'dev-db/mysql',
    'mysql-client': 'dev-db/mysql',
    'service': 'mysql',
    'config': '/etc/mysql/my.cnf',
},
} %}

{* set mysql = salt['grains.filter_by'] (mysql_lookup_table,
    merge=salt['pillar.get'] ('mysql:lookup')) %}
```

The above example is used to help explain how the mapping works. In most map files you will see the following structure:

```
{% set mysql = salt['grains.filter_by']({
    'Debian': {
        'server': 'mysql-server',
        'client': 'mysql-client',
        'service': 'mysql',
        'config': '/etc/mysql/my.cnf',
        'python': 'python-mysqldb',
    },
    'RedHat': {
        'server': 'mysql-server',
       'client': 'mysql',
       'service': 'mysqld',
       'config': '/etc/my.cnf',
        'python': 'MySOL-python',
    },
    'Gentoo': {
        'server': 'dev-db/mysql',
        'mysql-client': 'dev-db/mysql',
        'service': 'mysql',
        'config': '/etc/mysql/my.cnf',
        'python': 'dev-python/mysql-python',
    },
}, merge=salt['pillar.get']('mysql:lookup')) %}
```

The merge keyword specifies the location of a dictionary in Pillar that can be used to override values returned from the lookup table. If the value exists in Pillar it will take precedence, otherwise merge will be ignored. This is useful when software or configuration files is installed to non-standard locations. For example, the following Pillar would replace the config value from the call above.

```
mysql:
  lookup:
    config: /usr/local/etc/mysql/my.cnf
```

Any of the values defined above can be fetched for the current platform in any state file using the following syntax:

```
{% from "mysql/map.jinja" import mysql with context %}
mysql-server:
   pkg:
     - installed
     - name: {{ mysql.server }}
```

```
service:
    - running
    - name: {{ mysql.service }}
    - require:
        - pkg: mysql-server

mysql-config:
    file:
        - managed
        - name: {{ mysql.config }}
        - source: salt://mysql/conf/my.cnf
        - watch:
        - service: mysql-server
```

SLS files

Each state in a Formula should use sane defaults (as much as is possible) and use Pillar to allow for customization.

The root state, in particular, and most states in general, should strive to do no more than the basic expected thing and advanced configuration should be put in child states build on top of the basic states.

For example, the root Apache should only install the Apache httpd server and make sure the httpd service is running. It can then be used by more advanced states:

```
# apache/init.sls
httpd:
  pkg:
    - installed
  service:
    - running
# apache/mod_wsgi.sls
include:
  - apache
mod_wsgi:
  pkg:
    - installed
    - require:
      - pkg: apache
# apache/debian/vhost_setup.sls
{% if grains['os_family'] == 'Debian' %}
a2dissite 000-default:
  cmd.run:
    - onlyif: test -L /etc/apache2/sites-enabled/000-default
     require:
      - pkg: apache
{% endif %}
```

Platform agnostic Each Salt Formula must be able to be run without error on any platform. If the formula is not applicable to a platform it should do nothing. See the epel-formula for an example.

Any platform-specific states must be wrapped in conditional statements:

```
{% if grains['os_family'] == 'Debian' %}
...
{% endif %}
```

A handy method for using platform-specific values is to create a lookup table using the filter_by() function:

```
{% set apache = salt['grains.filter_by']({
    'Debian': {'conf': '/etc/apache2/conf.d'},
    'RedHat': {'conf': '/etc/httpd/conf.d'},
}) %}

myconf:
  file:
    - managed
    - name: {{ apache.conf }}/myconf.conf
```

Configuration and parameterization

Each Formula should strive for sane defaults that can then be customized using Pillar. Pillar lookups must use the safe get () and must provide a default value:

```
{% if salt['pillar.get']('horizon:use_ssl', False) %}
ssl_crt: {{ salt['pillar.get']('horizon:ssl_crt', '/etc/ssl/certs/horizon.crt') }}
ssl_key: {{ salt['pillar.get']('horizon:ssl_key', '/etc/ssl/certs/horizon.key') }}
{% endif %}
```

Any default values used in the Formula must also be documented in the pillar.example file in the root of the repository. Comments should be used liberally to explain the intent of each configuration value. In addition, users should be able copy-and-paste the contents of this file into their own Pillar to make any desired changes.

Scripting

Remember that both State files and Pillar files can easily call out to Salt *execution modules* and have access to all the system grains as well.

```
{% if '/storage' in salt['mount.active']() %}
/usr/local/etc/myfile.conf:
    file:
        - symlink
        - target: /storage/myfile.conf
{% endif %}
```

Jinja macros are generally discouraged in favor of adding functions to existing Salt modules or adding new modules. An example of this is the filter_by() function.

Versioning

Formula are versioned according to Semantic Versioning, http://semver.org/.

Given a version number MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH, increment the:

- 1. MAJOR version when you make incompatible API changes,
- 2. MINOR version when you add functionality in a backwards-compatible manner, and
- 3. PATCH version when you make backwards-compatible bug fixes.

Additional labels for pre-release and build metadata are available as extensions to the MA-JOR, MINOR, PATCH format.

Formula versions are tracked using Git tags as well as the VERSION file in the formula repository. The VERSION file should contain the currently released version of the particular formula.

Testing Formulas

Salt Formulas are tested by running each .sls file via state.sls and checking the output for success or failure. This is done for each supported platform.

23.15.2 SaltStack Packaging Guide

Since Salt provides a powerful toolkit for system management and automation, the package can be spit into a number of sub-tools. While packaging Salt as a single package containing all components is perfectly acceptable, the split packages should follow this convention.

Patching Salt For Distributions

The occasion may arise where Salt source and default configurations may need to be patched. It is preferable if Salt is only patched to include platform specific additions or to fix release time bugs. It is preferable that configuration settings and operations remain in the default state, as changes here lowers the user experience for users moving across distributions.

In the event where a packager finds a need to change the default configuration it is advised to add the files to the master.d or minion.d directories.

Source Files

Release packages should always be built from the source tarball distributed via pypi. Release packages should *NEVER* use a git checkout as the source for distribution.

Single Package

Shipping Salt as a single package, where the minion, master and all tools are together is perfectly acceptable and practiced by distributions such as FreeBSD.

Split Package

Salt Should always be split in a standard way, with standard dependencies, this lowers cross distribution confusion about what components are going to be shipped with specific packages. These packages can be defined from the Salt Source as of Salt 2014.1.0:

Salt Common

The *salt-common* or *salt* package should contain the files provided by the salt python package, or all files distributed from the salt/directory in the source distribution packages. The documentation contained under the doc/directory can be a part of this package but splitting out a doc package is preferred. Since salt-call is the entry point to utilize the libs and is useful for all salt packages it is included in the salt-common package.

Name

• salt OR salt-common

Files

- *salt/**
- man/salt.7
- scripts/salt-call
- tests/*
- man/salt-call.1

Depends

- Python 2.6-2.7
- PyYAML
- Jinja2

Salt Master

The salt-master package contains the applicable scripts, related man pages and init information for the given platform.

Name

• salt-master

Files

- scripts/salt-master
- scripts/salt
- scripts/salt-run
- scripts/salt-key
- scripts/salt-cp
- pkg/<master init data>
- man/salt.1
- man/salt-master.1
- man/salt-run.1
- man/salt-key.1
- man/salt-cp.1
- conf/master

Depends

- · Salt Common
- ZeroMQ >= 3.2
- PyZMQ >= 2.10
- PyCrypto
- M2Crypto
- Python MessagePack (Messagepack C lib, or msgpack-pure)

Salt Syndic

The Salt Syndic package can be rolled completely into the Salt Master package. Platforms which start services as part of the package deployment need to maintain a separate *salt-syndic* package (primarily Debian based platforms).

The Syndic may optionally not depend on the anything more than the Salt Master since the master will bring in all needed dependencies, but fall back to the platform specific packaging guidelines.

Name

• salt-syndic

Files

- scripts/salt-syndic
- pkg/<syndic init data>
- man/salt-syndic.1

Depends

- Salt Common
- Salt Master
- ZeroMQ >= 3.2
- PyZMQ >= 2.10
- PyCrypto
- M2Crypto
- Python MessagePack (Messagepack C lib, or msgpack-pure)

Salt Minion

The Minion is a standalone package and should not be split beyond the salt-minion and salt-common packages.

Name

• salt-minion

Files

- scripts/salt-minion
- pkg/<minion init data>
- man/salt-minion.1
- conf/minion

Depends

- Salt Common
- ZeroMQ >= 3.2
- PyZMQ >= 2.10
- PyCrypto
- M2Crypto
- Python MessagePack (Messagepack C lib, or msgpack-pure)

Salt SSH

Since Salt SSH does not require the same dependencies as the minion and master, it should be split out.

Name

• salt-ssh

Files

- · scripts/salt-ssh
- man/salt-ssh.1
- conf/cloud*

Depends

- Salt Common
- sshpass
- Python MessagePack (Messagepack C lib, or msgpack-pure)

Salt Cloud

As of Salt 2014.1.0 Salt Cloud is included in the same repo as Salt. This can be split out into a separate package or it can be included in the salt-master package.

Name

• salt-cloud

Files

- · scripts/salt-cloud
- man/salt-cloud.1

Depends

- Salt Common
- sshpass
- $apache\ libcloud >= 0.14.0$

Salt Doc

The documentation package is very distribution optional. A completely split package will split out the documentation, but some platform conventions do not prefer this. If the documentation is not split out, it should be included with the *Salt Common* package.

Name

• salt-doc

Files

doc/*

Optional Depends

- Salt Common
- Python Sphinx
- Make

23.15.3 Salt Release Process

The goal for Salt projects is to cut a new feature release every four to six weeks. This document outlines the process for these releases, and the subsequent bug fix releases which follow.

Feature Release Process

When a new release is ready to be cut, the person responsible for cutting the release will follow the following steps (written using the 0.16 release as an example):

- 1. All open issues on the release milestone should be moved to the next release milestone. (e.g. from the 0.16 milestone to the 0.17 milestone)
- 2. Release notes should be created documenting the major new features and bugfixes in the release.
- 3. Create an annotated tag with only the major and minor version numbers, preceded by the letter v. (e.g. v0.16) This tag will reside on the develop branch.
- 4. Create a branch for the new release, using only the major and minor version numbers. (e.g. 0.16)

- 5. On this new branch, create an annotated tag for the first revision release, which is generally a release candidate. It should be preceded by the letter v. (e.g. v0.16.0RC)
- 6. The release should be packaged from this annotated tag and uploaded to PyPI as well as the GitHub releases page for this tag.
- 7. The packagers should be notified on the salt-packagers mailing list so they can create packages for all the major operating systems. (note that release candidates should go in the testing repositories)
- 8. After the packagers have been given a few days to compile the packages, the release is announced on the salt-users mailing list.
- 9. Log into RTD and add the new release there. (Have to do it manually)

Maintenance and Bugfix Releases

Once a release has been cut, regular cherry-picking sessions should begin to cherry-pick any bugfixes from the develop branch to the release branch (e.g. 0.16). Once major bugs have been fixes and cherry-picked, a bugfix release can be cut:

- 1. On the release branch (i.e. 0.16), create an annotated tag for the revision release. It should be preceded by the letter v. (e.g. v0.16.2) Release candidates are unnecessary for bugfix releases.
- 2. The release should be packaged from this annotated tag and uploaded to PyPI.
- 3. The packagers should be notified on the salt-packagers mailing list so they can create packages for all the major operating systems.
- 4. After the packagers have been given a few days to compile the packages, the release is announced on the salt-users mailing list.

23.15.4 Salt Coding Style

Salt is developed with a certain coding style, while the style is dominantly PEP 8 it is not completely PEP 8. It is also noteworthy that a few development techniques are also employed which should be adhered to. In the end, the code is made to be "Salty".

Most importantly though, we will accept code that violates the coding style and KINDLY ask the contributor to fix it, or go ahead and fix the code on behalf of the contributor. Coding style is NEVER grounds to reject code contributions, and is never grounds to talk down to another member of the community (There are no grounds to treat others without respect, especially people working to improve Salt)!!

Linting

Most Salt style conventions are codified in Salt's *.pylintrc* file. This file is found in the root of the Salt project and can be passed as an argument to the pylint program as follows:

pylint -rcfile=/path/to/salt/.pylintrc salt/dir/to/lint

Strings

Salt follows a few rules when formatting strings:

Single Quotes

In Salt, all strings use single quotes unless there is a good reason not to. This means that docstrings use single quotes, standard strings use single quotes etc.:

Formatting Strings

All strings which require formatting should use the .format string method:

```
data = 'some text'
more = '{0} and then some'.format(data)
```

Make sure to use indices or identifiers in the format brackets, since empty brackets are not supported by python 2.6. Please do NOT use printf formatting.

Docstring Conventions

Docstrings should always add a newline, docutils takes care of the new line and it makes the code cleaner and more vertical:

GOOD:

When adding a new function or state, where possible try to use a versionadded directive to denote when the function or state was added.

If you are uncertain what version should be used, either consult a core developer in IRC or bring this up when opening your *pull request* and a core developer will add the proper version once your pull request has been merged. Bugfixes will be available in a bugfix release (i.e. 0.17.1, the first bugfix release for 0.17.0), while new features are held for feature releases, and this will affect what version number should be used in the versionadded directive.

Similar to the above, when an existing function or state is modified (for example, when an argument is added), then under the explanation of that new argument a versionadded directive should be used to note the version in which the new argument was added. If an argument's function changes significantly, the versionchanged directive can be used to clarify this:

Imports

Salt code prefers importing modules and not explicit functions. This is both a style and functional preference. The functional preference originates around the fact that the module import system used by pluggable modules will include callable objects (functions) that exist in the direct module namespace. This is not only messy, but may unintentionally expose code python libs to the Salt interface and pose a security problem.

To say this more directly with an example, this is *GOOD*:

```
import os

def minion_path():
    path = os.path.join(self.opts['cachedir'], 'minions')
    return path

This on the other hand is DISCOURAGED:

from os.path import join

def minion_path():
    path = join(self.opts['cachedir'], 'minions')
    return path
```

The time when this is changed is for importing exceptions, generally directly importing exceptions is preferred:

This is a good way to import exceptions:

```
from salt.exceptions import CommandExecutionError
```

Absolute Imports

Although absolute imports seems like an awesome idea, please do not use it. Extra care would be necessary all over salt's code in order for absolute imports to work as supposed. Believe it, it has been tried before and, as a tried example, by renaming salt.modules.sysmod to salt.modules.sys, all other salt modules which needed to import sys would have to also import absolute_import, which should be avoided.

Vertical is Better

When writing Salt code, vertical code is generally preferred. This is not a hard rule but more of a guideline. As PEP 8 specifies, Salt code should not exceed 79 characters on a line, but it is preferred to separate code out into more newlines in some cases for better readability:

Where there are more line breaks, this is also apparent when constructing a function with many arguments, something very common in state functions for instance:

Note: Making function and class definitions vertical is only required if the arguments are longer then 80 characters. Otherwise, the formatting is optional and both are acceptable.

Line Length

For function definitions and function calls, Salt adheres to the PEP-8 specification of at most 80 characters per line.

Non function definitions or function calls, please adopt a soft limit of 120 characters per line. If breaking the line reduces the code readability, don't break it. Still, try to avoid passing that 120 characters limit and remember, **vertical** is better... unless it isn't

Indenting

Some confusion exists in the python world about indenting things like function calls, the above examples use 8 spaces when indenting comma-delimited constructs.

The confusion arises because the pep8 program INCORRECTLY flags this as wrong, where PEP 8, the document, cites only using 4 spaces here as wrong, as it doesn't differentiate from a new indent level.

Right:

Lining up the indent is also correct:

This also applies to function calls and other hanging indents.

pep8 and Flake8 (and, by extension, the vim plugin Syntastic) will complain about the double indent for hanging indents. This is a known conflict between pep8 (the script) and the actual PEP 8 standard. It is recommended that this particular warning be ignored with the following lines in ~/.config/flake8:

```
[flake8]
ignore = E226, E241, E242, E126
```

Make sure your Flake8/pep8 are up to date. The first three errors are ignored by default and are present here to keep the behavior the same. This will also work for pep8 without the Flake8 wrapper – just replace all instances of 'flake8' with 'pep8', including the filename.

Code Churn

Many pull requests have been submitted that only churn code in the name of PEP 8. Code churn is a leading source of bugs and is strongly discouraged. While style fixes are encouraged they should be isolated to a single file per commit, and the changes should be legitimate, if there are any questions about whether a style change is legitimate please reference this document and the official PEP 8 (http://legacy.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/) document before changing code. Many claims that a change is PEP 8 have been invalid, please double check before committing fixes.

Release notes

24.1 Salt 2014.1.0 Release Notes - Codename Hydrogen

Note: Due to a change in master to minion communication, 2014.1.0 minions are not compatible with older-version masters. Please upgrade masters first. More info on backwards-compatibility policy *here*, under the "Upgrading Salt" subheading.

release 2014-02-24

The 2014.1.0 release of Salt is a major release which not only increases stability but also brings new capabilities in virtualization, cloud integration, and more. This release brings a great focus on the expansion of testing making roughly double the coverage in the Salt tests, and comes with many new features.

2014.1.0 is the first release to follow the new date-based release naming system.

24.1.1 Major Features

Salt Cloud Merged into Salt

Salt Cloud is a tool for provisioning salted minions across various cloud providers. Prior to this release, Salt Cloud was a separate project but this marks its full integration with the Salt distribution. A Getting Started guide and additional documentation for Salt Cloud can be found *here*:

Google Compute Engine

Alongside Salt Cloud comes new support for the Google Compute Engine. Salt Stack can now deploy and control GCE virtual machines and the application stacks that they run.

For more information on Salt Stack and GCE, please see this blog post.

Documentation for Salt and GCE can be found here.

Salt Virt

Salt Virt is a cloud controller that supports virtual machine deployment, inspection, migration and integration with many aspects of Salt.

Salt Virt has undergone a major overhaul with this release and now supports many more features and includes a number of critical improvements.

Docker Integration

Salt now ships with states and an execution module to manage Docker containers.

Substantial Testing Expansion

Salt continues to increase its unit/regression test coverage. This release includes over 300 new tests.

BSD Package Management

BSD package management has been entirely rewritten. FreeBSD 9 and older now default to using pkg_add, while FreeBSD 10 and newer will use pkgng. FreeBSD 9 can be forced to use pkgng, however, by specifying the following option in the minion config file:

```
providers:
   pkg: pkgng
```

In addition, support for installing software from the ports tree has been added. See the documentation for the ports state and execution module for more information.

Network Management for Debian/Ubuntu

Initial support for management of network interfaces on Debian-based distros has been added. See the documentation for the network state and the debian_ip for more information.

IPv6 Support for iptables State/Module

The iptables state and module now have IPv6 support. A new parameter family has been added to the states and execution functions, to distinguish between IPv4 and IPv6. The default value for this parameter is ipv4, specifying ipv6 will use ip6tables to manage firewall rules.

GitFS Improvements

Several performance improvements have been made to the Git fileserver backend. Additionally, file states can now use any any SHA1 commit hash as a fileserver environment:

```
/etc/httpd/httpd.conf:
    file.managed:
        - source: salt://webserver/files/httpd.conf
        - saltenv: 45af879
```

This applies to the functions in the cp module as well:

```
salt '\star' cp.get_file salt://readme.txt /tmp/readme.txt saltenv=45af879
```

MinionFS

This new fileserver backend allows files which have been pushed from the minion to the master (using cp.push) to be served up from the salt fileserver. The path for these files takes the following format:

```
salt://minion-id/path/to/file
```

minion-id is the id of the "source" minion, the one from which the files were pushed to the master. /path/to/file is the full path of the file.

The MinionFS Walkthrough contains a more thorough example of how to use this backend.

saltenv

To distinguish between fileserver environments and execution functions which deal with environment variables, fileserver environments are now specified using the saltenv parameter. env will continue to work, but is deprecated and will be removed in a future release.

Grains Caching

A caching layer has been added to the Grains system, which can help speed up minion startup. Disabled by default, it can be enabled by setting the minion config option grains_cache:

```
grains_cache: True
# Seconds before grains cache is considered to be stale.
grains_cache_expiration: 300
```

If set to True, the grains loader will read from/write to a msgpack-serialized file containing the grains data.

Additional command-line parameters have been added to salt-call, mainly for testing purposes:

- --skip-grains will completely bypass the grains loader when salt-call is invoked.
- --refresh-grains-cache will force the grains loader to bypass the grains cache and refresh the grains, writing a new grains cache file.

Improved Command Logging Control

When using the cmd module, either on the CLI or when developing Salt execution modules, a new keyword argument output_loglevel allows for greater control over how (or even if) the command and its output are logged. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run 'tail /var/log/messages' output_loglevel=debug
```

The package management modules (apt, yumpkg, etc.) have been updated to log the copious output generated from these commands at loglevel debug.

Note: To keep a command from being logged, output_loglevel=quiet can be used.

Prior to this release, this could be done using quiet=True. This argument is still supported, but will be removed in a future Salt release.

PagerDuty Support

Initial support for firing events via PagerDuty has been added. See the documentation for the pagerduty module.

Virtual Terminal

Sometimes the subprocess module is not good enough, and, in fact, not even askpass is. This virtual terminal is still in it's infant childhood, needs quite some love, and was originally created to replace askpass, but, while developing it, it immediately proved that it could do so much more. It's currently used by salt-cloud when bootstrapping salt on clouds which require the use of a password.

Proxy Minions

Initial basic support for Proxy Minions is in this release. Documentation can be found here.

Proxy minions are a developing feature in Salt that enables control of devices that cannot run a minion. Examples include network gear like switches and routers that run a proprietary OS but offer an API, or "dumb" devices that just don't have the horsepower or ability to handle a Python VM.

Proxy minions can be difficult to write, so a simple REST-based example proxy is included. A Python bottle-based webserver can be found at https://github.com/cro/salt-proxy-rest as an endpoint for this proxy.

This is an ALPHA-quality feature. There are a number of issues with it currently, mostly centering around process control, logging, and inability to work in a masterless configuration.

Additional Bugfixes (Release Candidate Period)

Below are many of the fixes that were implemented in salt during the release candidate phase.

- Fix mount.mounted leaving conflicting entries in fstab (issue 7079)
- Fix mysql returner serialization to use json (issue 9590)
- \bullet Fix ZMQError: Operation cannot be accomplished in current state errors (issue 6306)
- Rbenv and ruby improvements
- Fix quoting issues with mysql port (issue 9568)
- Update mount module/state to support multiple swap partitions (issue 9520)
- Fix archive state to work with bsdtar
- Clarify logs for minion ID caching
- Add numeric revision support to git state (issue 9718)
- Update master_uri with master_ip (issue 9694)
- Add comment to Debian mod_repo (issue 9923)
- Fix potential undefined loop variable in rabbitmq state (issue 8703)
- Fix for salt-virt runner to delete key on VM deletion
- Fix for salt-run -d to limit results to specific runner or function (issue 9975)
- Add tracebacks to jinja renderer when applicable (issue 10010)
- Fix parsing in monit module (issue 10041)
- Fix highstate output from syndic minions (issue 9732)
- Quiet logging when dealing with passwords/hashes (issue 10000)
- Fix for multiple remotes in git_pillar (issue 9932)

- Fix npm installed command (issue 10109)
- Add safeguards for utf8 errors in zcbuildout module
- Fix compound commands (issue 9746)
- · Add systemd notification when master is started
- Many doc improvements

24.2 Archive

24.2.1 Salt 0.10.0 Release Notes

release 2012-06-16

0.10.0 has arrived! This release comes with MANY bug fixes, and new capabilities which greatly enhance performance and reliability. This release is primarily a bug fix release with many new tests and many repaired bugs. This release also introduces a few new key features which were brought in primarily to repair bugs and some limitations found in some of the components of the original architecture.

Major Features

Event System

The Salt Master now comes equipped with a new event system. This event system has replaced some of the back end of the Salt client and offers the beginning of a system which will make plugging external applications into Salt. The event system relies on a local ZeroMQ publish socket and other processes can connect to this socket and listen for events. The new events can be easily managed via Salt's event library.

Unprivileged User Updates

Some enhancements have been added to Salt for running as a user other than root. These new additions should make switching the user that the Salt Master is running as very painless, simply change the user option in the master configuration and restart the master, Salt will take care of all of the particulars for you.

Peer Runner Execution

Salt has long had the peer communication system used to allow minions to send commands via the salt master. 0.10.0 adds a new capability here, now the master can be configured to allow for minions to execute Salt runners via the peer_run option in the salt master configuration.

YAML Parsing Updates

In the past the YAML parser for sls files would return the incorrect numbers when the file mode was set with a preceding 0. The YAML parser used in Salt has been modified to no longer convert these number into octal but to keep them as the correct value so that sls files can be a little cleaner to write.

State Call Data Files

It was requested that the minion keep a local cache of the most recent executed state run. This has been added and now with state runs the data is stored in a msgpack file in the minion's cachedir.

Turning Off the Job Cache

A new option has been added to the master configuration file. In previous releases the Salt client would look over the Salt job cache to read in the minion return data. With the addition of the event system the Salt client can now watch for events directly from the master worker processes.

This means that the job cache is no longer a hard requirement. Keep in mind though, that turning off the job cache means that historic job execution data cannot be retrieved.

Test Updates

Minion Swarms Are Faster

To continue our efforts with testing Salt's ability to scale the minionswarm script has been updated. The minionswarm can now start up minions much faster than it could before and comes with a new feature allowing modules to be disabled, thus lowering the minion's footprint when making a swarm. These new updates have allows us to test

```
# python minionswarm.py -m 20 --master salt-master
```

Many Fixes

To get a good idea for the number of bugfixes this release offers take a look at the closed tickets for 0.10.0, this is a very substantial update:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/issues?milestone=12&state=closed

Master and Minion Stability Fixes

As Salt deployments grow new ways to break Salt are discovered. 0.10.0 comes with a number of fixes for the minions and master greatly improving Salt stability.

24.2.2 Salt 0.10.1 Release Notes

release 2012-06-19

24.2.3 Salt 0.10.2 Release Notes

release 2012-07-30

0.10.2 is out! This release comes with enhancements to the pillar interface, cleaner ways to access the salt-call capabilities in the API, minion data caching and the event system has been added to salt minions.

There have also been updates to the ZeroMQ functions, many more tests (thanks to sponsors, the code sprint and many contributors) and a swath of bug fixes.

Major Features

Ext Pillar Modules

The ranks of available Salt modules directories sees a new member in 0.10.2. With the popularity of pillar a higher demand has arisen for ext_pillar interfaces to be more like regular Salt module additions. Now ext_pillar interfaces can be added in the same way as other modules, just drop it into the pillar directory in the salt source.

Minion Events

In 0.10.0 an event system was added to the Salt master. 0.10.2 adds the event system to the minions as well. Now event can be published on a local minion as well.

The minions can also send events back up to the master. This means that Salt is able to communicate individual events from the minions back up to the Master which are not associated with command.

Minion Data Caching

When pillar was introduced the landscape for available data was greatly enhanced. The minion's began sending grain data back to the master on a regular basis.

The new config option on the master called minion_data_cache instructs the Salt master to maintain a cache of the minion's grains and pillar data in the cachedir. This option is turned off by default to avoid hitting the disk more, but when enabled the cache is used to make grain matching from the salt command more powerful, since the minions that will match can be predetermined.

Backup Files

By default all files replaced by the file.managed and file.recurse states we simply deleted. 0.10.2 adds a new option. By setting the backup option to minion the files are backed up before they are replaced.

The backed up files are located in the cachedir under the file_backup directory. On a default system this will be at: /var/cache/salt/file_backup

Configuration files

salt-master and salt-minion automatically load additional configuration files from master.d/*.conf respective minion.d/*.conf where master.d/minion.d is a directory in the same directory as the main configuration file.

Salt Key Verification

A number of users complained that they had inadvertently deleted the wrong salt authentication keys. 0.10.2 now displays what keys are going to be deleted and verifies that they are the keys that are intended for deletion.

Key auto-signing

If autosign_file is specified in the configuration file incoming keys will be compared to the list of keynames in autosign_file. Regular expressions as well as globbing is supported.

The file must only be writable by the user otherwise the file will be ignored. To relax the permission and allow group write access set the permissive_pki_access option.

Module changes

Improved OpenBSD support New modules for managing services and packages were provided by Joshua Elsasser to further improve the support for OpenBSD.

Existing modules like the *disk* module were also improved to support OpenBSD.

SQL Modules The MySQL and PostgreSQL modules have both received a number of additions thanks to the work of Avi Marcus and Roman Imankulov.

ZFS Support on FreeBSD A new ZFS module has been added by Kurtis Velarde for FreeBSD supporting various ZFS operations like creating, extending or removing zpools.

Augeas A new Augeas module by Ulrich Dangel for editing and verifying config files.

Native Debian Service module The support for the Debian was further improved with an new service module for Debian by Ahmad Khayyat supporting *disable* and *enable*.

Cassandra Cassandra support has been added by Adam Garside. Currently only status and diagnostic information are supported.

Networking The networking support for *RHEL* has been improved and supports bonding support as well as zeroconf configuration.

Monit Basic monit support by Kurtis Velarde to control services via monit.

nzbget Basic support for controlling nzbget by Joseph Hall

Bluetooth Baisc bluez support for managing and controlling Bluetooth devices. Supports scanning as well as pairing/unpairing by Joseph Hall.

Test Updates

Consistency Testing

Another testing script has been added. A bug was found in pillar when many minions generated pillar data at the same time. The new consist.py script is the tests directory was created to reproduce bugs where data should always be consistent.

Many Fixes

To get a good idea for the number of bugfixes this release offers take a look at the closed tickets for 0.10.2, this is a very substantial update:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/issues?milestone=24&page=1&state=closed

Master and Minion Stability Fixes

As Salt deployments grow new ways to break Salt are discovered. 0.10.2 comes with a number of fixes for the minions and master greatly improving Salt stability.

24.2.4 Salt 0.10.3 Release Notes

```
release 2012-09-30
```

The latest taste of Salt has come, this release has many fixes and feature additions. Modifications have been made to make ZeroMQ connections more reliable, the beginning of the ACL system is in place, a new command line parsing system has been added, dynamic module distribution has become more environment aware, the new *master_finger* option and many more!

Major Features

ACL System

The new ACL system has been introduced. The ACL system allows for system users other than root to execute salt commands. Users can be allowed to execute specific commands in the same way that minions are opened up to the peer system.

The configuration value to open up the ACL system is called client_acl and is configured like so:

```
client_acl:
    fred:
        - test..*
        - pkg.list_pkgs
```

Where *fred* is allowed access to functions in the test module and to the pkg.list_pkgs function.

Master Finger Option

The *master_finger* option has been added to improve the security of minion provisioning. The *master_finger* option allows for the fingerprint of the master public key to be set in the configuration file to double verify that the master is valid. This option was added in response to a motivation to pre-authenticate the master when provisioning new minions to help prevent man in the middle attacks in some situations.

Salt Key Fingerprint Generation

The ability to generate fingerprints of keys used by Salt has been added to salt-key. The new option *finger* accepts the name of the key to generate and display a fingerprint for.

```
salt-key -F master
```

Will display the fingerprints for the master public and private keys.

Parsing System

Pedro Algavio, aka s0undt3ch, has added a substantial update to the command line parsing system that makes the help message output much cleaner and easier to search through. Salt parsers now have *-versions-report* besides usual *-version* info which you can provide when reporting any issues found.

Key Generation

We have reduced the requirements needed for *salt-key* to generate minion keys. You're no longer required to have salt configured and it's common directories created just to generate keys. This might prove useful if you're batch creating keys to pre-load on minions.

Startup States

A few configuration options have been added which allow for states to be run when the minion daemon starts. This can be a great advantage when deploying with Salt because the minion can apply states right when it first runs. To use startup_states configuration option on the minion to *highstate*.

New Exclude Declaration

Some users have asked about adding the ability to ensure that other sls files or ids are excluded from a state run. The exclude statement will delete all of the data loaded from the specified sls file or will delete the specified id:

```
exclude:
    - sls: http
    - id: /etc/vimrc
```

Max Open Files

While we're currently unable to properly handle ZeroMQ's abort signals when the max open files is reached, due to the way that's handled on ZeroMQ's, we have minimized the chances of this happening without at least warning the user

More State Output Options

Some major changes have been made to the state output system. In the past state return data was printed in a very verbose fashion and only states that failed or made changes were printed by default. Now two options can be passed to the master and minion configuration files to change the behavior of the state output. State output can be set to verbose (default) or non-verbose with the state_verbose option:

```
state_verbose: False
```

It is noteworthy that the state_verbose option used to be set to *False* by default but has been changed to *True* by default in 0.10.3 due to many requests for the change.

Te next option to be aware of new and called state_output. This option allows for the state output to be set to *full* (default) or *terse*.

The *full* output is the standard state output, but the new *terse* output will print only one line per state making the output much easier to follow when executing a large state system.

```
state_output: terse
```

state.file.append Improvements

The salt state *file.append()* tries *not* to append existing text. Previously the matching check was being made line by line. While this kind of check might be enough for most cases, if the text being appended was multi-line, the check would not work properly. This issue is now properly handled, the match is done as a whole ignoring any white space addition or removal except inside commas. For those thinking that, in order to properly match over multiple lines, salt will load the whole file into memory, that's not true. For most cases this is not important but an erroneous order to read a 4GB file, if not properly handled, like salt does, could make salt chew that amount of memory. Salt has a buffered file reader which will keep in memory a maximum of 256KB and iterates over the file in chunks of 32KB to test for the match, more than enough, if not, explain your usage on a ticket. With this change, also *salt.modules.file.contains()*, *salt.modules.file.contains_glob()* and *salt.utils.find* now do the searching and/or matching using the buffered chunks approach explained above.

Two new keyword arguments were also added, *makedirs* and *source*. The first, *makedirs* will create the necessary directories in order to append to the specified file, of course, it only applies if we're trying to append to a non-existing file on a non-existing directory:

```
/tmp/salttest/file-append-makedirs:
    file.append:
        text: foo
        makedirs: True
```

The second, *source*, allows one to append the contents of a file instead of specifying the text.

```
/tmp/salttest/file-append-source:
file.append:
    - source: salt://testfile
```

Security Fix

A timing vulnerability was uncovered in the code which decrypts the AES messages sent over the network. This has been fixed and upgrading is strongly recommended.

24.2.5 Salt 0.10.4 Release Notes

```
release 2012-10-23
```

Salt 0.10.4 is a monumental release for the Salt team, with two new module systems, many additions to allow granular access to Salt, improved platform support and much more.

This release is also exciting because we have been able to shorten the release cycle back to under a month. We are working hard to keep up the aggressive pace and look forward to having releases happen more frequently!

This release also includes a serious security fix and all users are very strongly recommended to upgrade. As usual, upgrade the master first, and then the minion to ensure that the process is smooth.

Major Features

External Authentication System

The new external authentication system allows for Salt to pass through authentication to any authentication system to determine if a user has permission to execute a Salt command. The Unix PAM system is the first supported system with more to come!

The external authentication system allows for specific users to be granted access to execute specific functions on specific minions. Access is configured in the master configuration file, and uses the new access control system:

The configuration above allows the user *thatch* to execute functions in the test and network modules on minions that match the web* target.

Access Control System

All Salt systems can now be configured to grant access to non-administrative users in a granular way. The old configuration continues to work. Specific functions can be opened up to specific minions from specific users in the case of external auth and client ACLs, and for specific minions in the case of the peer system.

Access controls are configured like this:

```
client_acl:
    fred:
        - web\*:
        - pkg.list_pkgs
        - test.*
        - apache.*
```

Target by Network

A new matcher has been added to the system which allows for minions to be targeted by network. This new matcher can be called with the -S flag on the command line and is available in all places that the matcher system is available. Using it is simple:

```
$ salt -S '192.168.1.0/24' test.ping
$ salt -S '192.168.1.100' test.ping
```

Nodegroup Nesting

Previously a nodegroup was limited by not being able to include another nodegroup, this restraint has been lifted and now nodegroups will be expanded within other nodegroups with the N@ classifier.

Salt Key Delete by Glob

The ability to delete minion keys by glob has been added to salt-key. To delete all minion keys whose minion name starts with 'web':

```
$ salt-key -d 'web*'
```

Master Tops System

The *external_nodes* system has been upgraded to allow for modular subsystems to be used to generate the top file data for a highstate run.

The external_nodes option still works but will be deprecated in the future in favor of the new master_tops option.

Example of using *master_tops*:

```
master_tops:
    ext_nodes: cobbler-external-nodes
```

Next Level Solaris Support

A lot of work has been put into improved Solaris support by Romeo Theriault. Packaging modules (pkgadd/pkgrm and pkgutil) and states, cron support and user and group management have all been added and improved upon. These additions along with SMF (Service Management Facility) service support and improved Solaris grain detection in 0.10.3 add up to Salt becoming a great tool to manage Solaris servers with.

Security

A vulnerability in the security handshake was found and has been repaired, old minions should be able to connect to a new master, so as usual, the master should be updated first and then the minions.

Pillar Updates

The pillar communication has been updated to add some extra levels of verification so that the intended minion is the only one allowed to gather the data. Once all minions and the master are updated to salt 0.10.4 please activate pillar 2 by changing the *pillar_version* in the master config to 2. This will be set to 2 by default in a future release.

24.2.6 Salt 0.10.5 Release Notes

```
release 2012-11-15
```

Salt 0.10.5 is ready, and comes with some great new features. A few more interfaces have been modularized, like the outputter system. The job cache system has been made more powerful and can now store and retrieve jobs archived in external databases. The returner system has been extended to allow minions to easily retrieve data from a returner interface.

As usual, this is an exciting release, with many noteworthy additions!

Major Features

External Job Cache

The external job cache is a system which allows for a returner interface to also act as a job cache. This system is intended to allow users to store job information in a central location for longer periods of time and to make the act of looking up information from jobs executed on other minions easier.

Currently the external job cache is supported via the mongo and redis returners:

```
ext_job_cache: redis
redis.host: salt
```

Once the external job cache is turned on the new *ret* module can be used on the minions to retrieve return information from the job cache. This can be a great way for minions to respond and react to other minions.

OpenStack Additions

OpenStack integration with Salt has been moving forward at a blistering pace. The new *nova*, *glance* and *keystone* modules represent the beginning of ongoing OpenStack integration.

The Salt team has had many conversations with core OpenStack developers and is working on linking to OpenStack in powerful new ways.

Wheel System

A new API was added to the Salt Master which allows the master to be managed via an external API. This new system allows Salt API to easily hook into the Salt Master and manage configs, modify the state tree, manage the pillar and more. The main motivation for the wheel system is to enable features needed in the upcoming web UI so users can manage the master just as easily as they manage minions.

The wheel system has also been hooked into the external auth system. This allows specific users to have granular access to manage components of the Salt Master.

Render Pipes

Jack Kuan has added a substantial new feature. The render pipes system allows Salt to treat the render system like unix pipes. This new system enables sls files to be passed through specific render engines. While the default renderer is still recommended, different engines can now be more easily merged. So to pipe the output of Mako used in YAML use this shebang line:

#!makolyaml

Salt Key Overhaul

The Salt Key system was originally developed as only a CLI interface, but as time went on it was pressed into becoming a clumsy API. This release marks a complete overhaul of Salt Key. Salt Key has been rewritten to function purely from an API and to use the outputter system. The benefit here is that the outputter system works much more cleanly with Salt Key now, and the internals of Salt Key can be used much more cleanly.

Modular Outputters

The outputter system is now loaded in a modular way. This means that output systems can be more easily added by dropping a python file down on the master that contains the function *output*.

Gzip from Fileserver

Gzip compression has been added as an option to the cp.get_file and cp.get_dir commands. This will make file transfers more efficient and faster, especially over slower network links.

Unified Module Configuration

In past releases of Salt, the minions needed to be configured for certain modules to function. This was difficult because it required pre-configuring the minions. 0.10.5 changes this by making all module configs on minions search the master config file for values.

Now if a single database server is needed, then it can be defined in the master config and all minions will become aware of the configuration value.

Salt Call Enhancements

The salt-call command has been updated in a few ways. Now, salt-call can take the -return option to send the data to a returner. Also, salt-call now reports executions in the minion proc system, this allows the master to be aware of the operation salt-call is running.

Death to pub_refresh and sub_timeout

The old configuration values *pub_refresh* and *sub_timeout* have been removed. These options were in place to alleviate problems found in earlier versions of ZeroMQ which have since been fixed. The continued use of these options has proven to cause problems with message passing and have been completely removed.

Git Revision Versions

When running Salt directly from git (for testing or development, of course) it has been difficult to know exactly what code is being executed. The new versioning system will detect the git revision when building and how many commits have been made since the last release. A release from git will look like this:

0.10.4-736-gec74d69

Svn Module Addition

Anthony Cornehl (twinshadow) contributed a module that adds Subversion support to Salt. This great addition helps round out Salt's VCS support.

Noteworthy Changes

Arch Linux Defaults to Systemd

Arch Linux recently changed to use systemd by default and discontinued support for init scripts. Salt has followed suit and defaults to systemd now for managing services in Arch.

Salt, Salt Cloud and Openstack

With the releases of Salt 0.10.5 and Salt Cloud 0.8.2, OpenStack becomes the first (non-OS) piece of software to include support both on the user level (with Salt Cloud) and the admin level (with Salt). We are excited to continue to extend support of other platforms at this level.

24.2.7 Salt 0.11.0 Release Notes

release 2012-12-14

Salt 0.11.0 is here, with some highly sought after and exciting features. These features include the new overstate system, the reactor system, a new state run scope component called __context__, the beginning of the search system (still needs a great deal of work), multiple package states, the MySQL returner and a better system to arbitrarily reference outputters.

It is also noteworthy that we are changing how we mark release numbers. For the life of the project we have been pushing every release with features and fixes as point releases. We will now be releasing point releases for only bug fixes on a more regular basis and major feature releases on a slightly less regular basis. This means that the next release will be a bugfix only release with a version number of 0.11.1. The next feature release will be named 0.12.0 and will mark the end of life for the 0.11 series.

Major Features

OverState

The overstate system is a simple way to manage rolling state executions across many minions. The overstate allows for a state to depend on the successful completion of another state.

Reactor System

The new reactor system allows for a reactive logic engine to be created which can respond to events within a salted environment. The reactor system uses sls files to match events fired on the master with actions, enabling Salt to react to problems in an infrastructure.

Your load-balanced group of webservers is under extra load? Spin up a new VM and add it to the group. Your fileserver is filling up? Send a notification to your sysadmin on call. The possibilities are endless!

Module Context

A new component has been added to the module loader system. The module context is a data structure that can hold objects for a given scope within the module.

This allows for components that are initialized to be stored in a persistent context which can greatly speed up ongoing connections. Right now the best example can be found in the *cp* execution module.

Multiple Package Management

A long desired feature has been added to package management. By definition Salt States have always installed packages one at a time. On most platforms this is not the fastest way to install packages. Erik Johnson, aka terminalmage, has modified the package modules for many providers and added new capabilities to install groups of packages. These package groups can be defined as a list of packages available in repository servers:

or specify based on the location of specific packages:

```
python_pkgs:
    pkg.installed:
    - sources:
        - python-mako: http://some-rpms.org/python-mako.rpm
        - whoosh: salt://whoosh/whoosh.rpm
        - python-git: ftp://companyserver.net/python-git.rpm
```

Search System

The bones to the search system have been added. This is a very basic interface that allows for search backends to be added as search modules. The first supported search module is the whoosh search backend. Right now only the basic paths for the search system are in place, making this very experimental. Further development will involve improving the search routines and index routines for whoosh and other search backends.

The search system has been made to allow for searching through all of the state and pillar files, configuration files and all return data from minion executions.

Notable Changes

All previous versions of Salt have shared many directories between the master and minion. The default locations for keys, cached data and sockets has been shared by master and minion. This has created serious problems with running a master and a minion on the same systems. 0.11.0 changes the defaults to be separate directories. Salt will also attempt to migrate all of the old key data into the correct new directories, but if it is not successful it may need to be done manually. If your keys exhibit issues after updating make sure that they have been moved from /etc/salt/pki to /etc/salt/pki/{master,minion}.

The old setup will look like this:

```
/etc/salt/pki
|-- master.pem
|-- master.pub
|-- minions
| '-- ragnarok.saltstack.net
|-- minions_pre
|-- minion.pem
|-- minion.pub
|-- minion_master.pub
```

```
|-- minions_pre
'-- minions_rejected
```

With the accepted minion keys in /etc/salt/pki/minions, the new setup places the accepted minion keys in /etc/salt/pki/master/minions.

24.2.8 Salt 0.11.1 Release Notes

release 2012-12-19

24.2.9 Salt 0.12.0 Release Notes

release 2013-01-15

Another feature release of Salt is here! Some exciting additions are included with more ways to make salt modular and even easier management of the salt file server.

Major Features

Modular Fileserver Backend

The new modular fileserver backend allows for any external system to be used as a salt file server. The main benefit here is that it is now possible to tell the master to directly use a git remote location, or many git remote locations, automatically mapping git branches and tags to salt environments.

Windows is First Class!

A new Salt Windows installer is now available! Much work has been put in to improve Windows support. With this much easier method of getting Salt on your Windows machines, we hope even more development and progress will occur. Please file bug reports on the Salt GitHub repo issue tracker so we can continue improving.

One thing that is missing on Windows that Salt uses extensively is a software package manager and a software package repository. The Salt pkg state allows sys admins to install software across their infrastructure and across operating systems. Software on Windows can now be managed in the same way. The SaltStack team built a package manager that interfaces with the standard Salt pkg module to allow for installing and removing software on Windows. In addition, a software package repository has been built on top of the Salt fileserver. A small YAML file provides the information necessary for the package manager to install and remove software.

An interesting feature of the new Salt Windows software package repository is that one or more remote git repositories can supplement the master's local repository. The repository can point to software on the master's fileserver or on an HTTP, HTTPS, or ftp server.

New Default Outputter

Salt displays data to the terminal via the outputter system. For a long time the default outputter for Salt has been the python pretty print library. While this has been a generally reasonable outputter, it did have many failings. The new default outputter is called "nested", it recursively scans return data structures and prints them out cleanly.

If the result of the new nested outputter is not desired any other outputter can be used via the –out option, or the output option can be set in the master and minion configs to change the default outputter.

Internal Scheduler

The internal Salt scheduler is a new capability which allows for functions to be executed at given intervals on the minion, and for runners to be executed at given intervals on the master. The scheduler allows for sequences such as executing state runs (locally on the minion or remotely via an overstate) or continually gathering system data to be run at given intervals.

The configuration is simple, add the schedule option to the master or minion config and specify jobs to run, this in the master config will execute the state over runner every 60 minutes:

```
schedule:
  overstate:
   function: state.over
  minutes: 60
```

This example for the minion configuration will execute a highstate every 30 minutes:

```
schedule:
  highstate:
    function: state.highstate
  minutes: 30
```

Optional DSL for SLS Formulas

Jack Kuan, our renderer expert, has created something that is astonishing. Salt, now comes with an optional Python based DSL, this is a very powerful interface that makes writing SLS files in pure python easier than it was with the raw py renderer. As usual this can be used with the renderer shebang line, so a single sls can be written with the DSL if pure python power is needed while keeping other sls files simple with YAML.

Set Grains Remotely

A new execution function and state module have been added that allows for grains to be set on the minion. Now grains can be set via a remote execution or via states. Use the *grains.present* state or the *grains.setval* execution functions.

Gentoo Additions

Major additions to Gentoo specific components have been made. The encompasses executions modules and states ranging from supporting the make.conf file to tools like layman.

24.2.10 Salt 0.12.1 Release Notes

release 2013-01-21

24.2.11 Salt 0.13.0 Release Notes

release 2013-02-12

The lucky number 13 has turned the corner! From CLI notifications when quitting a salt command, to substantial improvements on Windows, Salt 0.13.0 has arrived!

Major Features

Improved file.recurse Performance

The file.recurse system has been deployed and used in a vast array of situations. Fixes to the file state and module have led towards opening up new ways of running file.recurse to make it faster. Now the file.recurse state will download fewer files and will run substantially faster.

Windows Improvements

Minion stability on Windows has improved. Many file operations, including file recurse, have been fixed and improved. The network module works better, to include network interfaces. Both 32bit and 64bit installers are now available.

Nodegroup Targeting in Peer System

In the past, nodegroups were not available for targeting via the peer system. This has been fixed, allowing the new nodegroup expr_form argument for the publish.publish function:

salt-call publish.publish group1 test.ping expr form=nodegroup

Blacklist Additions

Additions allowing more granular blacklisting are available in 0.13.0. The ability to blacklist users and functions in client_acl have been added, as well as the ability to exclude state formulas from the command line.

Command Line Pillar Embedding

Pillar data can now be embedded on the command line when calling state.sls and state.highstate. This allows for on the fly changes or settings to pillar and makes parameterizing state formulas even easier. This is done via the keyword argument:

```
salt '*' state.highstate pillar='{"cheese": "spam"}'
```

The above example will extend the existing pillar to hold the cheese key with a value of spam. If the cheese key is already specified in the minion's pillar then it will be overwritten.

CLI Notifications

In the past hitting ctrl-C and quitting from the salt command would just drop to a shell prompt, this caused confusion with users who expected the remote executions to also quit. Now a message is displayed showing what command can be used to track the execution and what the job id is for the execution.

Version Specification in Multiple-Package States

Versions can now be specified within multiple-package pkg.installed states. An example can be found below:

Noteworthy Changes

The configuration subsystem in Salt has been overhauled to make the opts dict used by Salt applications more portable, the problem is that this is an incompatible change with salt-cloud, and salt-cloud will need to be updated to the latest git to work with Salt 0.13.0. Salt Cloud 0.8.5 will also require Salt 0.13.0 or later to function.

The SaltStack team is sorry for the inconvenience here, we work hard to make sure these sorts of things do not happen, but sometimes hard changes get in.

24.2.12 Salt 0.13.1 Release Notes

release 2013-02-15

24.2.13 Salt 0.13.2 Release Notes

release 2013-03-13

24.2.14 Salt 0.13.3 Release Notes

release 2013-03-18

24.2.15 Salt 0.14.0 Release Notes

release 2013-03-23

Salt 0.14.0 is here! This release was held up primarily by PyCon, Scale and illness, but has arrived! 0.14.0 comes with many new features and is breaking ground for Salt in the area of cloud management with the introduction of Salt providing basic cloud controller functionality.

Major Features

Salt - As a Cloud Controller

This is the first primitive inroad to using Salt as a cloud controller is available in 0.14.0. Be advised that this is alpha, only tested in a few very small environments.

The cloud controller is built using kvm and libvirt for the hypervisors. Hypervisors are autodetected as minions and only need to have libvirt running and kvm installed to function. The features of the Salt cloud controller are as follows:

- · Basic vm discovery and reporting
- · Creation of new virtual machines
- · Seeding virtual machines with Salt via qemu-nbd or libguestfs
- Live migration (shared and non shared storage)
- Delete existing VMs

It is noteworthy that this feature is still Alpha, meaning that all rights are reserved to change the interface if needs be in future releases!

Libvirt State

One of the problems with libvirt is management of certificates needed for live migration and cross communication between hypervisors. The new libvirt state makes the Salt Master hold a CA and manage the signing and distribution of keys onto hypervisors, just add a call to the libvirt state in the sls formulas used to set up a hypervisor:

```
libvirt_keys:
   libvirt.keys
```

New get Functions

An easier way to manage data has been introduced. The pillar, grains and config execution modules have been extended with the new get function. This function works much in the same way as the get method in a python dict, but with an enhancement, nested dict components can be extracted using a : delimiter.

If a structure like this is in pillar:

```
foo:
   bar:
   baz: quo
```

Extracting it from the raw pillar in an sls formula or file template is done this way:

```
{{ pillar['foo']['bar']['baz'] }}
```

Now with the new get function the data can be safely gathered and a default can be set allowing the template to fall back if the value is not available:

```
{{ salt['pillar.get']('foo:bar:baz', 'qux') }}
```

This makes handling nested structures much easier, and defaults can be cleanly set. This new function is being used extensively in the new formulae repository of salt sls formulas.

24.2.16 Salt 0.14.1 Release Notes

release 2013-04-13

24.2.17 Salt 0.15.0 Release Notes

release 2013-05-03

The many new features of Salt 0.15.0 have arrived! Salt 0.15.0 comes with many smaller features and a few larger ones.

These features range from better debugging tools to the new Salt Mine system.

Major Features

The Salt Mine

First there was the peer system, allowing for commands to be executed from a minion to other minions to gather data live. Then there was the external job cache for storing and accessing long term data. Now the middle ground is being filled in with the Salt Mine. The Salt Mine is a system used to execute functions on a regular basis on minions and then store only the most recent data from the functions on the master, then the data is looked up via targets.

The mine caches data that is public to all minions, so when a minion posts data to the mine all other minions can see it.

IPV6 Support

0.13.0 saw the addition of initial IPV6 support but errors were encountered and it needed to be stripped out. This time the code covers more cases and must be explicitly enabled. But the support is much more extensive than before.

Copy Files From Minions to the Master

Minions have long been able to copy files down from the master file server, but until now files could not be easily copied from the minion up to the master.

A new function called cp.push can push files from the minions up to the master server. The uploaded files are then cached on the master in the master cachedir for each minion.

Better Template Debugging

Template errors have long been a burden when writing states and pillar. 0.15.0 will now send the compiled template data to the debug log, this makes tracking down the intermittent stage templates much easier. So running state.sls or state.highstate with *-l debug* will now print out the rendered templates in the debug information.

State Event Firing

The state system is now more closely tied to the master's event bus. Now when a state fails the failure will be fired on the master event bus so that the reactor can respond to it.

Major Syndic Updates

The Syndic system has been basically re-written. Now it runs in a completely asynchronous way and functions primarily as an event broker. This means that the events fired on the syndic are now pushed up to the higher level master instead of the old method used which waited for the client libraries to return.

This makes the syndic much more accurate and powerful, it also means that all events fired on the syndic master make it up the pipe as well making a reactor on the higher level master able to react to minions further downstream.

Peer System Updates

The Peer System has been updated to run using the client libraries instead of firing directly over the publish bus. This makes the peer system much more consistent and reliable.

Minion Key Revocation

In the past when a minion was decommissioned the key needed to be manually deleted on the master, but now a function on the minion can be used to revoke the calling minion's key:

```
$ salt-call saltutil.revoke_auth
```

Function Return Codes

Functions can now be assigned numeric return codes to determine if the function executed successfully. While not all functions have been given return codes, many have and it is an ongoing effort to fill out all functions that might return a non-zero return code.

Functions in Overstate

The overstate system was originally created to just manage the execution of states, but with the addition of return codes to functions, requisite logic can now be used with respect to the overstate. This means that an overstate stage can now run single functions instead of just state executions.

Pillar Error Reporting

Previously if errors surfaced in pillar, then the pillar would consist of only an empty dict. Now all data that was successfully rendered stays in pillar and the render error is also made available. If errors are found in the pillar, states will refuse to run.

Using Cached State Data

Sometimes states are executed purely to maintain a specific state rather than to update states with new configs. This is grounds for the new cached state system. By adding *cache=True* to a state call the state will not be generated fresh from the master but the last state data to be generated will be used. If no previous state data is available then fresh data will be generated.

Monitoring States

The new monitoring states system has been started. This is very young but allows for states to be used to configure monitoring routines. So far only one monitoring state is available, the disk.status state. As more capabilities are added to Salt UI the monitoring capabilities of Salt will continue to be expanded.

24.2.18 Salt 0.15.1 Release Notes

release 2013-05-08

The 0.15.1 release has been posted, this release includes fixes to a number of bugs in 0.15.1 and a three security patches.

Security Updates

A number of security issues have been resolved via the 0.15.1 release.

Path Injection in Minion IDs

Salt masters did not properly validate the id of a connecting minion. This can lead to an attacker uploading files to the master in arbitrary locations. In particular this can be used to bypass the manual validation of new unknown minions. Exploiting this vulnerability does not require authentication.

This issue affects all known versions of Salt.

This issue was reported by Ronald Volgers.

Patch The issue is fixed in Salt 0.15.1. Updated packages are available in the usual locations.

Specific commits:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/5427b9438e452a5a8910d9128c6aafb45d8fd5d3

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/7560908ee62351769c3cd43b03d74c1ca772cc52

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/e200b8a7ff53780124e08d2bdefde7587e52bfca

RSA Key Generation Fault

RSA key generation was done incorrectly, leading to very insecure keys. It is recommended to regenerate all RSA keys.

This issue can be used to impersonate Salt masters or minions, or decrypt any transferred data.

This issue can only be exploited by attackers who are able to observe or modify traffic between Salt minions and the legitimate Salt master.

A tool was included in 0.15.1 to assist in mass key regeneration, the manage.regen_keys runner.

This issue affects all known versions of Salt.

This issue was reported by Ronald Volgers.

Patch The issue is fixed in Salt 0.15.1. Updated packages are available in the usual locations.

Specific commits:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/5dd304276ba5745ec21fc1e6686a0b28da29e6fc

Command Injection Via ext_pillar

Arbitrary shell commands could be executed on the master by an authenticated minion through options passed when requesting a pillar.

Ext pillar options have been restricted to only allow safe external pillars to be called when prompted by the minion.

This issue affects Salt versions from 0.14.0 to 0.15.0.

This issue was reported by Ronald Volgers.

Patch The issue is fixed in Salt 0.15.1. Updated packages are available in the usual locations.

Specific commits:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/43d8c16bd26159d827d1a945c83ac28159ec5865

24.2.19 Salt 0.15.2 Release Notes

release 2013-05-29

24.2.20 Salt 0.15.3 Release Notes

release 2013-06-01

24.2.21 Salt 0.16.0 Release Notes

release 2013-07-01

The 0.16.0 release is an exciting one, with new features in master redundancy, and a new, powerful requisite.

Major Features

Multi-Master

This new capability allows for a minion to be actively connected to multiple salt masters at the same time. This allows for multiple masters to send out commands to minions and for minions to automatically reconnect to masters that have gone down. A tutorial is available to help get started here:

Multi Master Tutorial

Prereg, the New Requisite

The new *prereq* requisite is very powerful! It allows for states to execute based on a state that is expected to make changes in the future. This allows for a change on the system to be preempted by another execution. A good example is needing to shut down a service before modifying files associated with it, allowing, for instance, a webserver to be shut down allowing a load balancer to stop sending requests while server side code is updated. In this case, the prereq will only run if changes are expected to happen in the prerequired state, and the prerequired state will always run after the prereq state and only if the prereq state succeeds.

Peer System Improvements

The peer system has been revamped to make it more reliable, faster, and like the rest of Salt, async. The peer calls when an updated minion and master are used together will be much faster!

Relative Includes

The ability to include an sls relative to the defined sls has been added, the new syntax id documented here:

Includes

More State Output Options

The state_output option in the past only supported *full* and *terse*, 0.16.0 add the *mixed* and *changes* modes further refining how states are sent to users' eyes.

Improved Windows Support

Support for Salt on Windows continues to improve. Software management on Windows has become more seamless with Linux/UNIX/BSD software management. Installed software is now recognized by the short names defined in the *repository SLS*. This makes it possible to run salt '*' pkg.version firefox and get back results from Windows and non-Windows minions alike.

When templating files on Windows, Salt will now correctly use Windows appropriate line endings. This makes it much easier to edit and consume files on Windows.

When using the cmd state the shell option now allows for specifying Windows Powershell as an alternate shell to execute cmd.run and cmd.script. This opens up Salt to all the power of Windows Powershell and its advanced Windows management capabilities.

Several fixes and optimizations were added for the Windows networking modules, especially when working with IPv6.

A system module was added that makes it easy to restart and shutdown Windows minions.

The Salt Minion will now look for its config file in c:\salt\conf by default. This means that it's no longer necessary to specify the -c option to specify the location of the config file when starting the Salt Minion on Windows in a terminal.

Muliple Targets for pkg.removed, pkg.purged States

Both pkg.removed and pkg.purged now support the pkgs argument, which allow for multiple packages to be targeted in a single state. This, as in pkg.installed, helps speed up these states by reducing the number of times that the package management tools (apt, yum, etc.) need to be run.

Random Times in Cron States

The temporal parameters in cron.present states (minute, hour, etc.) can now be randomized by using random instead of a specific value. For example, by using the random keyword in the minute parameter of a cron state, the same cron job can be pushed to hundreds or thousands of hosts, and they would each use a randomly-generated minute. This can be helpful when the cron job accesses a network resource, and it is not desirable for all hosts to run the job concurrently.

```
/path/to/cron/script:
    cron.present:
    - user: root
    - minute: random
    - hour: 2
```

Since Salt assumes a value of \star for unspecified temporal parameters, adding a parameter to the state and setting it to random will change that value from \star to a randomized numeric value. However, if that field in the cron entry on the minion already contains a numeric value, then using the random keyword will not modify it.

Confirmation Prompt on Key Acceptance

When accepting new keys with salt-key -a minion-id or salt-key -A, there is now a prompt that will show the affected keys and ask for confirmation before proceeding. This prompt can be bypassed using the -y or -yes command line argument, as with other salt-key commands.

Support for Setting Password Hashes on BSD Minions

FreeBSD, NetBSD, and OpenBSD all now support setting passwords in user.present states.

24.2.22 Salt 0.16.1 Release Notes

release 2013-07-29

24.2.23 Salt 0.16.2 Release Notes

release 2013-08-01

Version 0.16.2 is a bugfix release for 0.16.0, and contains a number of fixes.

Windows

• Only allow Administrator's group and SYSTEM user access to C:\salt. This eliminates a race condition where a non-admin user could modify a template or managed file before it is executed by the minion (which is running as an elevated user), thus avoiding a potential escalation of privileges. (issue 6361)

Grains

- Fixed detection of virtual grain on OpenVZ hardware nodes
- Gracefully handle lsb_release data when it is enclosed in quotes

- LSB grains are now prefixed with lsb_distrib_instead of simply lsb_. The old naming is not preserved, so SLS may be affected.
- · Improved grains detection on MacOS

Pillar

- Don't try to load *git_pillar* if not enabled in master config (issue 6052)
- Functions pillar.item and pillar.items added for parity with grains.item/grains.items. The old function pillar.data is preserved for backwards compatibility.
- Fixed minion traceback when Pillar SLS is malformed (issue 5910)

Peer Publishing

- More gracefully handle improperly quoted publish commands (issue 5958)
- Fixed traceback when timeout specified via the CLI fo publish.publish.publish.full_data (issue 5959)
- Fixed unintended change in output of publish.publish (issue 5928)

Minion

- · Fixed salt-key usage in minionswarm script
- Quieted warning about **SALT_MINION_CONFIG** environment variable on minion startup and for CLI commands run via salt-call (issue 5956)
- Added minion config parameter random_reauth_delay to stagger re-auth attempts when the minion is waiting for the master to approve its public key. This helps prevent SYN flooding in larger environments.

User/Group Management

- Implement previously-ignored unique option for user.present states in FreeBSD
- Report in state output when a group present state attempts to use a gid in use by another group
- Fixed regression that prevents a user.present state to set the password hash to the system default (i.e. an unset password)
- Fixed multiple group.present states with the same group (issue 6439)

File Management

- Fixed file.mkdir setting incorrect permissions (issue 6033)
- Fixed cleanup of source files for templates when /tmp is in file_roots (issue 6118)
- Fixed caching of zero-byte files when a non-empty file was previously cached at the same path
- Added HTTP authentication support to the cp module (issue 5641)
- Diffs are now suppressed when binary files are changed

Package/Repository Management

- Fixed traceback when there is only one target for pkg.latest states
- Fixed regression in detection of virtual packages (apt)
- Limit number of pkg database refreshes to once per state.sls/state.highstate
- YUM: Allow 32-bit packages with arches other than i686 to be managed on 64-bit systems (issue 6299)
- Fixed incorrect reporting in pkgrepo.managed states (issue 5517)
- Fixed 32-bit binary package installs on 64-bit RHEL-based distros, and added proper support for 32-bit packages on 64-bit Debian-based distros (issue 6303)
- Fixed issue where requisites were inadvertently being put into YUM repo files (issue 6471)

Service Management

- Fixed inaccurate reporting of results in service.running states when the service fails to start (issue 5894)
- Fixed handling of custom initscripts in RHEL-based distros so that they are immediately available, negating the need for a second state run to manage the service that the initscript controls

Networking

- Function network.hwaddr renamed to network.hw_addr to match network.ip_addrs and network.ip_addrs 6. All three functions also now work without the underscore in the name, as well.
- Fixed traceback in bridge. show when interface is not present (issue 6326)

SSH

- Fixed incorrect result reporting for some ssh_known_hosts.present states
- Fixed inaccurate reporting when ssh_auth.present states are run with test=True, when rsa/dss is used for the enc param instead of ssh-rsa/ssh-dss (issue 5374)

pip

- Properly handle -f lines in pip freeze output
- Fixed regression in pip.installed states with specifying a requirements file (issue 6003)
- Fixed use of editable argument in pip.installed states (issue 6025)
- Deprecated runas parameter in execution function calls, in favor of user

MySQL

- Allow specification of MySQL connection arguments via the CLI, overriding/bypassing minion config params
- Allow mysql_user.present states to set a passwordless login (issue 5550)
- Fixed endless loop when mysql.processlist is run (issue 6297)

PostgreSQL

• Fixed traceback in postgres.user_list (issue 6352)

Miscellaneous

- Don't allow *npm states* to be used if *npm module* is not available
- Fixed alternatives.install states for which the target is a symlink (issue 6162)
- Fixed traceback in *sysbench module* (issue 6175)
- Fixed traceback in job cache
- · Fixed tempfile cleanup for windows
- Fixed issue where SLS files using the *pydsl renderer* were not being run
- Fixed issue where returners were being passed incorrect information (issue 5518)
- Fixed traceback when numeric args are passed to cmd.script states
- Fixed bug causing cp.get_dir to return more directories than expected (issue 6048)
- Fixed traceback when supervisord.running states are run with test=True (issue 6053)
- Fixed tracebacks when Salt encounters problems running rbenv (issue 5888)
- Only make the *monit module* available if monit binary is present (issue 5871)
- Fixed incorrect behavior of img.mount_image
- Fixed traceback in tomcat.deploy_war in Windows
- Don't re-write /etc/fstab if mount fails
- Fixed tracebacks when Salt encounters problems running gem (issue 5886)
- Fixed incorrect behavior of selinux.boolean states (issue 5912)
- RabbitMO: Quote passwords to avoid symbols being interpolated by the shell (issue 6338)
- Fixed tracebacks in extfs.mkfs and extfs.tune (issue 6462)
- Fixed a regression with the module.run state where the m_name and m_fun arguments were being ignored (issue 6464)

24.2.24 Salt 0.16.3 Release Notes

release 2013-08-09

Version 0.16.3 is another bugfix release for 0.16.0. The changes include:

- Various documentation fixes
- Fix proc directory regression (issue 6502)
- Properly detect Linaro Linux (issue 6496)
- Fix regressions in mount.mounted (issue 6522, issue 6545)
- Skip malformed state requisites (issue 6521)
- · Fix regression in gitfs from bad import
- Fix for watching prereq states (including recursive requisite error) (issue 6057)

- Fix mod_watch not overriding prereq (issue 6520)
- Don't allow functions which compile states to be called within states (issue 5623)
- Return error for malformed top.sls (issue 6544)
- Fix traceback in mysql.query
- Fix regression in binary package installation for 64-bit packages on Debian-based Linux distros (issue 6563)
- Fix traceback caused by running cp. push without having set file recy in the master config file
- Fix scheduler configuration in pillar (issue 6201)

24.2.25 Salt 0.16.4 Release Notes

release 2013-09-07

Version 0.16.4 is another bugfix release for 0.16.0, likely to be the last before 0.17.0 is released. The changes include:

- Multiple documentation improvements/additions
- Added the osfinger and osarch grains
- Properly handle 32-bit packages for debian 32 on x86 64 (issue 6607)
- Fix regression in yum package installation in CentOS 5 (issue 6677)
- Fix bug in hg.latest state that would erroneously delete directories (issue 6661)
- Fix bug related to pid not existing for ps.top (issue 6679)
- Fix regression in MySQL returner (issue 6695)
- Fix IP addresses grains (ipv4 and ipv6) to include all addresses (issue 6656)
- Fix regression preventing authenticated FTP (issue 6733)
- Fix setting password for windows users (issue 6824)
- Fix file.contains on values YAML parses as non-string (issue 6817)
- Fix file.get_gid, file.get_uid, and file.chown for broken symlinks (issue 6826)
- Fix comment for service reloads in service state (issue 6851)

24.2.26 Salt 0.17.0 Release Notes

release 2013-09-26

The 0.17.0 release is a very exciting release of Salt, this brings to Salt some very powerful new features and advances. The advances range from the state system to the test suite, covering new transport capabilities and making states easier and more powerful, to extending Salt Virt and much more!

The 0.17.0 release will also be the last release of Salt to follow the old 0.XX.X numbering system, the next release of Salt will change the numbering to be date based following this format:

<Year>.<Month>.<Minor>

So if the release happens in November of 2013 the number will be 13.11.0, the first bugfix release will be 13.11.1 and so forth.

Major Features

Halite

The new Halite web GUI is now available on PyPI. A great deal of work has been put into Halite to make it fully event driven and amazingly fast. The Halite UI can be started from within the Salt Master (after being installed from PyPI), or standalone, and does not require an external database to run. It is very lightweight!

This initial release of Halite is primarily the framework for the UI and the communication systems, making it easy to extend and build the UI up. It presently supports watching the event bus and firing commands over Salt.

At this time, Halite is not available as a package, but installation documentation is available at: http://docs.saltstack.com/topics/tutorials/halite.html

Halite is, like the rest of Salt, Open Source!

Much more will be coming in the future of Halite!

Salt SSH

The new salt-ssh command has been added to Salt. This system allows for remote execution and states to be run over ssh. The benefit here being, that salt can run relying only on the ssh agent, rather than requiring a minion to be deployed.

The salt-ssh system runs states in a compatible way as Salt and states created and run with salt-ssh can be moved over to a standard salt deployment without modification.

Since this is the initial release of salt-ssh, there is plenty of room for improvement, but it is fully operational, not just a bootstrap tool.

Rosters

Salt is designed to have the minions be aware of the master and the master does not need to be aware of the location of the minions. The new salt roster system was created and designed to facilitate listing the targets for salt-ssh.

The roster system, like most of Salt, is a plugin system, allowing for the list of systems to target to be derived from any pluggable backend. The rosters shipping with 0.17.0 are flat and scan. Flat is a file which is read in via the salt render system and the scan roster does simple network scanning to discover ssh servers.

State Auto Order

This is a major change in how states are evaluated in Salt. State Auto Order is a new feature that makes states get evaluated and executed in the order in which they are defined in the sls file. This feature makes it very easy to see the finite order in which things will be executed, making Salt now, fully imperative AND fully declarative.

The requisite system still takes precedence over the order in which states are defined, so no existing states should break with this change. But this new feature can be turned off by setting state_auto_order: False in the master config, thus reverting to the old lexicographical order.

state.sls Runner

The state.sls runner has been created to allow for a more powerful system for orchestrating state runs and function calls across the salt minions. This new system uses the state system for organizing executions.

This allows for states to be defined that are executed on the master to call states on minions via salt-run state.sls.

Salt Thin

Salt Thin is an exciting new component of Salt, this is the ability to execute Salt routines without any transport mechanisms installed, it is a pure python subset of Salt.

Salt Thin does not have any networking capability, but can be dropped into any system with Python installed and then salt-call can be called directly. The Salt Thin system, is used by the salt-ssh command, but can still be used to just drop salt somewhere for easy use.

Event Namespacing

Events have been updated to be much more flexible. The tags in events have all been namespaced allowing easier tracking of event names.

Mercurial Fileserver Backend

The popular git fileserver backend has been joined by the mercurial fileserver backend, allowing the state tree to be managed entirely via mercurial.

External Logging Handlers

The external logging handler system allows for Salt to directly hook into any external logging system. Currently supported are sentry and logstash.

Jenkins Testing

The testing systems in Salt have been greatly enhanced, tests for salt are now executed, via jenkins.saltstack.com, across many supported platforms. Jenkins calls out to salt-cloud to create virtual machines on Rackspace, then the minion on the virtual machine checks into the master running on Jenkins where a state run is executed that sets up the minion to run tests and executes the test suite.

This now automates the sequence of running platform tests and allows for continuous destructive tests to be run.

Salt Testing Project

The testing libraries for salt have been moved out of the main salt code base and into a standalone codebase. This has been done to ease the use of the testing systems being used in salt based projects other than Salt itself.

StormPath External Authentication

The external auth system now supports the fantastic Stormpath cloud based authentication system.

LXC Support

Extensive additions have been added to Salt for LXC support. This included the backend libs for managing LXC containers. Addition into the salt-virt system is still in the works.

Mac OS X User/Group Support

Salt is now able to manage users and groups on Minions running Mac OS X. However, at this time user passwords cannot be managed.

Django ORM External Pillar

Pillar data can now be derived from Django managed databases.

Fixes from RC to release

- Multiple documentation fixes
- Add multiple source files + templating for file.append (issue 6905)
- Support sysctl configuration files in systemd>=207 (issue 7351)
- Add file.search and file.replace
- Fix cross-calling execution functions in provider overrides
- Fix locale override for postgres (issue 4543)
- Fix Raspbian identification for service/pkg support (issue 7371)
- Fix cp.push file corruption (issue 6495)
- Fix ALT Linux password hash specification (issue 3474)
- Multiple salt-ssh-related fixes and improvements

24.2.27 Salt 0.17.1 Release Notes

release 2013-10-17

Note: THIS RELEASE IS NOT COMPATIBLE WITH PREVIOUS VERSIONS. If you update your master to 0.17.1, you must update your minions as well. Sorry for the inconvenience – this is a result of one of the security fixes listed below.

The 0.17.1 release comes with a number of improvements to salt-ssh, many bugfixes, and a number of security updates.

Salt SSH has been improved to be faster, more featureful and more secure. Since the original release of Salt SSH was primarily a proof of concept, it has been very exciting to see its rapid adoption. We appreciate the willingness of security experts to review Salt SSH and help discover oversights and ensure that security issues only exist for such a tiny window of time.

SSH Enhancements

Shell Improvements

Improvements to Salt SSH's communication have been added that improve routine execution regardless of the target system's login shell.

Performance

Deployment of routines is now faster and takes fewer commands to execute.

Security Updates

Be advised that these security issues all apply to a small subset of Salt users and mostly apply to Salt SSH.

Insufficient Argument Validation

This issue allowed for a user with limited privileges to embed executions inside of routines to execute routines that should be restricted. This applies to users using external auth or client ACL and opening up specific routines.

Be advised that these patches address the direct issue. Additional commits have been applied to help mitigate this issue from resurfacing.

CVE CVE-2013-4435

Affected Versions

0.15.0 - 0.17.0

Patches https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/6d8ef68b605fd63c36bb8ed96122a75ad2e80269 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/ebdef37b7e5d2b95a01d34b211c61c61da67e46a https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/7f190ff890e47cdd591d9d7cefa5126574660824 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/8e5afe59cef6743fe5dbd510dcf463dbdfca1ced https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/aca78f314481082862e96d4f0c1b75fa382bb885 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/6a9752cdb1e8df2c9505ea910434c79d132eb1e2 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/b73677435ba54ecfc93c1c2d840a7f9ba6f53410 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/07972eb0a6f985749a55d8d4a2e471596591c80d https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/1e3f197726aa13ac5c3f2416000089f477f489b5

Found By Feth Arezki, of Majerti

MITM SSH attack in salt-ssh

SSH host keys were being accepted by default and not enforced on future SSH connections. These patches set SSH host key checking by default and can be overridden by passing the -i flag to *salt-ssh*.

CVE CVE-2013-4436

Affected Versions 0.17.0

Found By Michael Scherer, Red Hat

Insecure Usage of /tmp in salt-ssh

The initial release of salt-ssh used the /tmp directory in an insecure way. These patches not only secure usage of files under /tmp in salt-ssh, but also add checksum validation for all packages sent into the now secure locations on target systems.

CVE CVE-2013-4438

Affected Versions 0.17.0

Patches https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/aa4bb77ef230758cad84381dde0ec660d2dc340a https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/8f92b6b2cb2e4ec3af8783eb6bf4ff06f5a352cf https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/c58e56811d5a50c908df0597a0ba0b643b45ebfd https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/0359db9b46e47614cff35a66ea6a6a76846885d2 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/4348392860e0fd43701c331ac3e681cf1a8c17b0 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/664d1a1cac05602fad2693f6f97092d98a72bf61 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/bab92775a576e28ff9db262f32db9cf2375bba87 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/c6d34f1acf64900a3c87a2d37618ff414e5a704e

Found By Michael Scherer, Red Hat

YAML Calling Unsafe Loading Routine

It has been argued that this is not a valid security issue, as the YAML loading that was happening was only being called after an initial gateway filter in Salt has already safely loaded the YAML and would fail if non-safe routines were embedded. Nonetheless, the CVE was filed and patches applied.

CVE CVE-2013-4438

Patches

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/339b0a51befae6b6b218ebcb55daa9cd3329a1c5

Found By Michael Scherer, Red Hat

Failure to Drop Supplementary Group on Salt Master

If a salt master was started as a non-root user by the root user, root's groups would still be applied to the running process. This fix changes the process to have only the groups of the running user.

CVE CVE not considered necessary by submitter.

Affected Versions 0.11.0 - 0.17.0

Patches https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/b89fa9135822d029795ab1eecd68cce2d1ced715

Found By Michael Scherer, Red Hat

Failure to Validate Minions Posting Data

This issue allowed a minion to pose as another authorized minion when posting data such as the mine data. All minions now pass through the id challenge before posting such data.

CVE CVE-2013-4439

Affected Versions 0.15.0 - 0.17.0

Patches

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/7b850ff3d07ef6782888914ac4556c01e8a1c482 https://github.com/saltstack/salt/commit/151759b2a1e1c6ce29277aa81b054219147f80fd

Found By David Anderson

Fix Reference

Version 0.17.1 is the first bugfix release for 0.17.0. The changes include:

- Fix symbolic links in thin.tgz (issue 7482)
- Pass env through to file.patch state (issue 7452)
- Service provider fixes and reporting improvements (issue 7361)
- Add --priv option for specifying salt-ssh private key
- Fix salt-thin's salt-call on setuptools installations (issue 7516)
- Fix salt-ssh to support passwords with spaces (issue 7480)
- Fix regression in wildcard includes (issue 7455)
- Fix salt-call outputter regression (issue 7456)
- Fix custom returner support for startup states (issue 7540)
- Fix value handling in augeas (issue 7605)
- Fix regression in apt (issue 7624)
- Fix minion ID guessing to use socket.getfqdn() first (issue 7558)
- Add minion ID caching (issue 7558)
- Fix salt-key race condition (issue 7304)
- Add --include-all flag to salt-key (issue 7399)

- Fix custom grains in pillar (part of issue 5716, issue 6083)
- Fix race condition in salt-key (issue 7304)
- Fix regression in minion ID guessing, prioritize socket.getfqdn() (issue 7558)
- Cache minion ID on first guess (issue 7558)
- Allow trailing slash in file.directory state
- Fix reporting of file roots in pillar return (issue 5449 and issue 5951)
- Remove pillar matching for mine.get (issue 7197)
- · Sanitize args for multiple execution modules
- Fix yumpkg mod_repo functions to filter hidden args (issue 7656)
- Fix conflicting IDs in state includes (issue 7526)
- Fix mysql_grants.absent string formatting issue (issue 7827)
- Fix postgres.version so it won't return None (issue 7695)
- Fix for trailing slashes in mount.mounted state
- Fix rogue AttributErrors in the outputter system (issue 7845)
- Fix for incorrect ssh key encodings resulting in incorrect key added (issue 7718)
- Fix for pillar/grains naming regression in python renderer (issue 7693)
- Fix args/kwargs handling in the scheduler (issue 7422)
- Fix logfile handling for file://, tcp:// and udp:// (issue 7754)
- Fix error handling in config file parsing (issue 6714)
- Fix RVM using sudo when running as non-root user (issue 2193)
- Fix client ACL and underlying logging bugs (issue 7706)
- Fix scheduler bug with returner (issue 7367)
- Fix user management bug related to default groups (issue 7690)
- Fix various salt-ssh bugs (issue 7528)
- Many various documentation fixes

24.2.28 Salt 0.17.2 Release Notes

release 2013-11-14

Version 0.17.2 is another bugfix release for 0.17.0. The changes include:

- Add ability to delete key with grains.delval (issue 7872)
- Fix possible state compiler stack trace (issue 5767)
- Fix architecture regression in yumpkg (issue 7813)
- Use correct ps on Debian to prevent truncating (issue 5646)
- Fix grains targeting for new grains (issue 5737)
- Fix bug with merging in git_pillar (issue 6992)
- Fix print_jobs duplicate results

- Fix apt version specification for pkg.install
- Fix possible KeyError from ext_job_cache missing option
- Fix auto_order for names states (issue 7649)
- Fix regression in new gitfs installs (directory not found error)
- Fix escape pipe issue on Windows for file.recurse (issue 7967)
- Fix fileclient in case of master restart (issue 7987)
- Try to output warning if CLI command malformed (issue 6538)
- Fix --out=quiet to actually be quiet (issue 8000)
- Fix for state.sls in salt-ssh (issue 7991)
- Fix for MySQL grants ordering issue (issue 5817)
- Fix traceback for certain missing CLI args (issue 8016)
- Add ability to disable lspci queries on master (issue 4906)
- Fail if sls defined in topfile does not exist (issue 5998)
- Add ability to downgrade MySQL grants (issue 6606)
- Fix ssh_auth.absent traceback (issue 8043)
- Add upstart detection for Debian/Raspbian (issue 8039)
- Fix ID-related issues (issue 8052, issue 8050, and others)
- Fix for jinja rendering issues (issue 8066 and issue 8079)
- Fix argument parsing in salt-ssh (issue 7928)
- Fix some GPU detection instances (issue 6945)
- Fix bug preventing includes from other environments in SLS files
- Fix for kwargs with dashes (issue 8102)
- Fix salt.utils.which for windows '.exe' (issue 7904)
- Fix apache.adduser without apachectl (issue 8123)
- Fix issue with evaluating test kwarg in states (issue 7788)
- Fix regression in salt.client.Caller() (issue 8078)
- Fix apt-key silent failure
- Fix bug where cmd.script would try to run even if caching failed (issue 7601)
- Fix apt pkg.latest regression (issue 8067)
- Fix for mine data not being updated (issue 8144)
- Fix for noarch packages in yum
- Fix a Xen detection edge case (issue 7839)
- Fix windows __opts__ dictionary persistence (issue 7714)
- Fix version generation for when it's part of another git repo (issue 8090)
- Fix _handle_iorder stacktrace so that the real syntax error is shown (issue 8114 and issue 7905)
- Fix git.latest state when a commit SHA is used (issue 8163)

- Fix various small bugs in yumpkg.py (issue 8201)
- Fix for specifying identify file in git.latest (issue 8094)
- Fix for --output-file CLI arg (issue 8205)
- Add ability to specify shutdown time for system.shutdown (issue 7833)
- Fix for salt version using non-salt git repo info (issue 8266)
- Add additional hints at impact of pkgrepo states when test=True (issue 8247)
- Fix for salt-ssh files not being owned by root (issue 8216)
- Fix retry logic and error handling in fileserver (related to issue 7755)
- Fix file.replace with test=True (issue 8279)
- Add flag for limiting file traversal in fileserver (issue 6928)
- Fix for extra mine processes (issue 5729)
- Fix for unloading custom modules (issue 7691)
- Fix for salt-ssh opts (issue 8005 and issue 8271)
- Fix compound matcher for grains (issue 7944)
- Improve error reporting in ebuild module (related to issue 5393)
- Add dir_mode to file.managed (issue 7860)
- Improve traceroute support for FreeBSD and OS X (issue 4927)
- Fix for matching minions under syndics (issue 7671)
- Improve exception handling for missing ID (issue 8259)
- Fix grain mismatch for ScientificLinux (issue 8338)
- Add configuration option for minion_id_caching
- Fix open mode auth errors (issue 8402)

24.2.29 Salt 0.17.3 Release Notes

release 2013-12-08

Note: 0.17.3 had some regressions which were promptly fixed in the 0.17.4 release. Please use 0.17.4 instead.

Version 0.17.3 is another bugfix release for 0.17.0. The changes include:

- Fix some jinja render errors (issue 8418)
- Fix file.replace state changing file ownership (issue 8399)
- Fix state ordering with the PyDSL renderer (issue 8446)
- Fix for new npm version (issue 8517)
- Fix for pip state requiring name even with requirements file (issue 8519)
- Fix yum logging to open terminals (issue 3855)
- Add sane maxrunning defaults for scheduler (issue 8563)
- Fix states duplicate key detection (issue 8053)

- Fix SUSE patch level reporting (issue 8428)
- Fix managed file creation umask (issue 8590)
- Fix logstash exception (issue 8635)
- Improve argument exception handling for salt command (issue 8016)
- Fix pecl success reporting (issue 8750)
- Fix launchetl module exceptions (issue 8759)
- Fix argument order in pw_user module
- Add warnings for failing grains (issue 8690)
- Fix hgfs problems caused by connections left open (issue 8811 and issue 8810)
- Add Debian iptables default for iptables-persistent package (issue 8889)
- Fix installation of packages with dots in pkg name (issue 8614)
- Fix noarch package installation on CentOS 6 (issue 8945)
- Fix portage_config.enforce_nice_config (issue 8252)
- Fix salt.util.copyfile umask usage (issue 8590)
- Fix rescheduling of failed jobs (issue 8941)
- Fix pkg on Amazon Linux (uses yumpkg5 now) (issue 8226)
- Fix conflicting options in postgres module (issue 8717)
- Fix ps modules for psutil \geq 0.3.0 (issue 7432)
- Fix postgres module to return False on failure (issue 8778)
- Fix argument passing for args with pound signs (issue 8585)
- Fix pid of salt CLi command showing in status.pid output (issue 8720)
- Fix rvm to run gem as the correct user (issue 8951)
- Fix namespace issue in win_file module (issue 9060)
- Fix masterless state paths on windows (issue 9021)
- Fix timeout option in master config (issue 9040)

24.2.30 Salt 0.17.4 Release Notes

release 2013-12-10

Version 0.17.4 is another bugfix release for 0.17.0. The changes include:

- Fix some jinja render errors (issue 8418)
- Fix file.replace state changing file ownership (issue 8399)
- Fix state ordering with the PyDSL renderer (issue 8446)
- Fix for new npm version (issue 8517)
- Fix for pip state requiring name even with requirements file (issue 8519)
- Fix yum logging to open terminals (issue 3855)
- Add sane maxrunning defaults for scheduler (issue 8563)

- Fix states duplicate key detection (issue 8053)
- Fix SUSE patch level reporting (issue 8428)
- Fix managed file creation umask (issue 8590)
- Fix logstash exception (issue 8635)
- Improve argument exception handling for salt command (issue 8016)
- Fix pecl success reporting (issue 8750)
- Fix launchetl module exceptions (issue 8759)
- Fix argument order in pw_user module
- Add warnings for failing grains (issue 8690)
- Fix hgfs problems caused by connections left open (issue 8811 and issue 8810)
- Add Debian iptables default for iptables-persistent package (issue 8889)
- Fix installation of packages with dots in pkg name (issue 8614)
- Fix noarch package installation on CentOS 6 (issue 8945)
- Fix portage_config.enforce_nice_config (issue 8252)
- Fix salt.util.copyfile umask usage (issue 8590)
- Fix rescheduling of failed jobs (issue 8941)
- Fix pkg on Amazon Linux (uses yumpkg5 now) (issue 8226)
- Fix conflicting options in postgres module (issue 8717)
- Fix ps modules for psutil >= 0.3.0 (issue 7432)
- Fix postgres module to return False on failure (issue 8778)
- Fix argument passing for args with pound signs (issue 8585)
- Fix pid of salt CLi command showing in status.pid output (issue 8720)
- Fix rvm to run gem as the correct user (issue 8951)
- Fix namespace issue in win_file module (issue 9060)
- Fix masterless state paths on windows (issue 9021)
- Fix timeout option in master config (issue 9040)

24.2.31 Salt 0.17.5 Release Notes

release 2014-01-27

Version 0.17.5 is another bugfix release for 0.17.0. The changes include:

- Fix user.present states with non-string fullname (issue 9085)
- Fix virt.init return value on failure (issue 6870)
- Fix reporting of file.blockreplace state when test=True
- Fix network.interfaces when used in cron (issue 7990)
- Fix bug in pkgrepo when switching to/from mirrorlist-based repo def (issue 9121)
- Fix infinite recursion when cache file is corrupted

- Add checking for rev and mirror/bare args in git.latest (issue 9107)
- Add cmd. watch alias (points to cmd. wait) (issue 8612)
- Fix stacktrace when prereq is not formed as a list (issue 8235)
- Fix stdin issue with lvdisplay command (issue 9128)
- Add pre-check function for range matcher (issue 9236)
- Add exception handling for psutil for processes that go missing (issue 9274)
- Allow _in requisites to match both on ID and name (issue 9061)
- Fix multiple client timeout issues (issue 7157 and issue 9302, probably others)
- Fix ZMQError: Operation cannot be accomplished in current state errors (issue 6306)
- Multiple optimization in minion auth routines
- Clarify logs for minion ID caching

24.2.32 Salt 0.6.0 release notes

The Salt remote execution manager has reached initial functionality! Salt is a management application which can be used to execute commands on remote sets of servers.

The whole idea behind Salt is to create a system where a group of servers can be remotely controlled from a single master, not only can commands be executed on remote systems, but salt can also be used to gather information about your server environment.

Unlike similar systems, like Func and MCollective, Salt is extremely simple to setup and use, the entire application is contained in a single package, and the master and minion daemons require no running dependencies in the way that Func requires Certmaster and MCollective requires activeMQ.

Salt also manages authentication and encryption. Rather than using SSL for encryption, salt manages encryption on a payload level, so the data sent across the network is encrypted with fast AES encryption, and authentication uses RSA keys. This means that Salt is fast, secure, and very efficient.

Messaging in Salt is executed with ZeroMQ, so the message passing interface is built into salt and does not require an external ZeroMQ server. This also adds speed to Salt since there is no additional bloat on the networking layer, and ZeroMQ has already proven itself as a very fast networking system.

The remote execution in Salt is "Lazy Execution", in that once the command is sent the requesting network connection is closed. This makes it easier to detach the execution from the calling process on the master, it also means that replies are cached, so that information gathered from historic commands can be queried in the future.

Salt also allows users to make execution modules in Python. Writers of these modules should also be pleased to know that they have access to the impressive information gathered from PuppetLabs' Facter application, making Salt module more flexible. In the future I hope to also allow Salt to group servers based on Facter information as well.

All in all Salt is fast, efficient and clean, can be used from a simple command line client or through an API, uses message queue technology to make network execution extremely fast, and encryption is handled in a very fast and efficient manner. Salt is also VERY easy to use and VERY easy to extend.

You can find the source code for Salt on my GitHub page, I have also set up a few wiki pages explaining how to use and set up Salt. If you are using Arch Linux there is a package available in the Arch Linux AUR.

Salt 0.6.0 Source: https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.6.0.tar.gz

GitHub page: https://github.com/saltstack/salt Wiki: https://github.com/saltstack/salt/wiki Arch Linux Package: https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/salt-git/

I am very open to contributions, for instance I need packages for more Linux distributions as well as BSD packages and testers.

Give Salt a try, this is the initial release and is not a 1.0 quality release, but it has been working well for me! I am eager to get your feedback!

24.2.33 Salt 0.7.0 release notes

I am pleased to announce the release of Salt 0.7.0!

This release marks what is the first stable release of salt, 0.7.0 should be suitable for general use.

0.7.0 Brings the following new features to Salt:

- Integration with Facter data from puppet labs
- Allow for matching minions from the salt client via Facter information
- Minion job threading, many jobs can be executed from the master at once
- · Preview of master clustering support Still experimental
- · Introduce new minion modules for stats, virtualization, service management and more
- · Add extensive logging to the master and minion daemons
- · Add sys.reload_functions for dynamic function reloading
- Greatly improve authentication
- Introduce the saltkey command for managing public keys
- · Begin backend development preparatory to introducing butter
- Addition of man pages for the core commands
- Extended and cleaned configuration

0.7.0 Fixes the following major bugs:

- Fix crash in minions when matching failed
- Fix configuration file lookups for the local client
- Repair communication bugs in encryption
- Numerous fixes in the minion modules

The next release of Salt should see the following features:

- Stabilize the cluster support
- Introduce a remote client for salt command tiers
- salt-ftp system for distributed file copies
- Initial support for "butter"

Coming up next is a higher level management framework for salt called Butter. I want salt to stay as a simple and effective communication framework, and allow for more complicated executions to be managed via Butter.

Right now Butter is being developed to act as a cloud controller using salt as the communication layer, but features like system monitoring and advanced configuration control (a puppet manager) are also in the pipe.

Special thanks to Joseph Hall for the status and network modules, and thanks to Matthias Teege for tracking down some configuration bugs!

Salt can be downloaded from the following locations;

Source Tarball:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.7.0.tar.gz

Arch Linux Package:

https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/salt-git/

Please enjoy the latest Salt release!

24.2.34 Salt 0.8.0 release notes

Salt 0.8.0 is ready for general consumption! The source tarball is available on GitHub for download:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.8.0.tar.gz

A lot of work has gone into salt since the last release just 2 weeks ago, and salt has improved a great deal. A swath of new features are here along with performance and threading improvements!

The main new features of salt 0.8.0 are:

Salt-cp

Cython minion modules

Dynamic returners

Faster return handling

Lowered required Python version to 2.6

Advanced minion threading

Configurable minion modules

Salt-cp

The salt-cp command introduces the ability to copy simple files via salt to targeted servers. Using salt-cp is very simple, just call salt-cp with a target specification, the source file(s) and where to copy the files on the minions. For instance:

salt-cp '*' /etc/hosts /etc/hosts

Will copy the local /etc/hosts file to all of the minions.

Salt-cp is very young, in the future more advanced features will be added, and the functionality will much more closely resemble the cp command.

Cython minion modules

Cython is an amazing tool used to compile Python modules down to c. This is arguably the fastest way to run Python code, and since pyzmq requires cython, adding support to salt for cython adds no new dependencies.

Cython minion modules allow minion modules to be written in cython and therefore executed in compiled c. Simply write the salt module in cython and use the file extension ".pyx" and the minion module will be compiled when the minion is started. An example cython module is included in the main distribution called cytest.pyx:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/modules/cytest.pyx

Dynamic Returners

By default salt returns command data back to the salt master, but now salt can return command data to any system. This is enabled via the new returners modules feature for salt. The returners modules take the return data and sends it to a specific module. The returner modules work like minion modules, so any returner can be added to the minions.

This means that a custom data returner can be added to communicate the return data so anything from MySQL, Redis, MongoDB and more!

There are 2 simple stock returners in the returners directory:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/returners

The documentation on writing returners will be added to the wiki shortly, and returners can be written in pure Python, or in cython.

Configurable Minion Modules

Minion modules may need to be configured, now the options passed to the minion configuration file can be accessed inside of the minion modules via the __opt__ dict.

Information on how to use this simple addition has been added to the wiki: Writing modules

The test module has an example of using the opts dict, and how to set default options:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/modules/test.py

Advanced Minion Threading

In 0.7.0 the minion would block after receiving a command from the master, now the minion will spawn a thread or multiprocess. By default Python threads are used because for general use they have proved to be faster, but the minion can now be configured to use the Python multiprocessing module instead. Using multiprocessing will cause executions that are CPU bound or would otherwise exploit the negative aspects of the Python GIL to run faster and more reliably, but simple calls will still be faster with Python threading. The configuration option can be found in the minion configuration file:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/conf/minion

Lowered Supported Python to 2.6

The requirement for Python 2.7 has been removed to support Python 2.6. I have received requests to take the minimum Python version back to 2.4, but unfortunately this will not be possible, since the ZeroMQ Python bindings do not support Python 2.4.

Salt 0.8.0 is a very major update, it also changes the network protocol slightly which makes communication with older salt daemons impossible, your master and minions need to be upgraded together!

I could use some help bringing salt to the people! Right now I only have packages for Arch Linux, Fedora 14 and Gentoo. We need packages for Debian and people willing to help test on more platforms. We also need help writing more minion modules and returner modules. If you want to contribute to salt please hop on the mailing list and send in patches, make a fork on GitHub and send in pull requests! If you want to help but are not sure where you can, please email me directly or post tot he mailing list!

I hope you enjoy salt, while it is not yet 1.0 salt is completely viable and usable!

-Thomas S. Hatch

24.2.35 Salt 0.8.7 release notes

It has been a month since salt 0.8.0, and it has been a long month! But Salt is still coming along strong. 0.8.7 has a lot of changes and a lot of updates. This update makes Salt's ZeroMQ back end better, strips Facter from the dependencies, and introduces interfaces to handle more capabilities.

Many of the major updates are in the background, but the changes should shine through to the surface. A number of the new features are still a little thin, but the back end to support expansion is in place.

I also recently gave a presentation to the Utah Python users group in Salt Lake City, the slides from this presentation are available here: https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/Salt.pdf

The video from this presentation will be available shortly.

The major new features and changes in Salt 0.8.7 are:

- Revamp ZeroMQ topology on the master for better scalability
- State enforcement
- Dynamic state enforcement managers
- Extract the module loader into salt.loader
- Make Job ids more granular
- Replace Facter functionality with the new salt grains interface
- Support for "virtual" salt modules
- · Introduce the salt-call command
- · Better debugging for minion modules

The new ZeroMQ topology allows for better scalability, this will be required by the need to execute massive file transfers to multiple machines in parallel and state management. The new ZeroMQ topology is available in the aforementioned presentation.

0.8.7 introduces the capability to declare states, this is similar to the capabilities of Puppet. States in salt are declared via state data structures. This system is very young, but the core feature set is available. Salt states work around rendering files which represent Salt high data. More on the Salt state system will be documented in the near future.

The system for loading salt modules has been pulled out of the minion class to be a standalone module, this has enabled more dynamic loading of Salt modules and enables many of the updates in 0.8.7 –

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/loader.py

Salt Job ids are now microsecond precise, this was needed to repair a race condition unveiled by the speed improvements in the new ZeroMQ topology.

The new grains interface replaces the functionality of Facter, the idea behind grains differs from Facter in that the grains are only used for static system data, dynamic data needs to be derived from a call to a salt module. This makes grains much faster to use, since the grains data is generated when the minion starts.

Virtual salt modules allows for a salt module to be presented as something other than its module name. The idea here is that based on information from the minion decisions about which module should be presented can be made. The best example is the pacman module. The pacman module will only load on Arch Linux minions, and will be called pkg. Similarly the yum module will be presented as pkg when the minion starts on a Fedora/RedHat system.

The new salt-call command allows for minion modules to be executed from the minion. This means that on the minion a salt module can be executed, this is a great tool for testing Salt modules. The salt-call command can also be used to view the grains data.

In previous releases when a minion module threw an exception very little data was returned to the master. Now the stack trace from the failure is returned making debugging of minion modules MUCH easier.

Salt is nearing the goal of 1.0, where the core feature set and capability is complete!

Salt 0.8.7 can be downloaded from GitHub here: https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.8.7.tar.gz

-Thomas S Hatch

24.2.36 Salt 0.8.8 release notes

Salt 0.8.8 is here! This release adds a great deal of code and some serious new features. The latest release can be downloaded here: https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.8.8.tar.gz

Improved Documentation has been set up for salt using sphinx thanks to the efforts of Seth House. This new documentation system will act as the back end to the salt website which is still under heavy development. The new sphinx documentation system has also been used to greatly clean up the salt manpages. The salt 7 manpage in particular now contains extensive information which was previously only in the wiki. The new documentation can be found at: http://docs.saltstack.com/ We still have a lot to add, and when the domain is set up I will post another announcement.

More additions have been made to the ZeroMQ setup, particularly in the realm of file transfers. Salt 0.8.8 introduces a built in, stateless, encrypted file server which allows salt minions to download files from the salt master using the same encryption system used for all other salt communications. The main motivation for the salt file server has been to facilitate the new salt state system.

Much of the salt code has been cleaned up and a new cleaner logging system has been introduced thanks to the efforts of Pedro Algarvio. These additions will allow for much more flexible logging to be executed by salt, and fixed a great deal of my poor spelling in the salt docstrings! Pedro Algarvio has also cleaned up the API, making it easier to embed salt into another application.

The biggest addition to salt found in 0.8.8 is the new state system. The salt module system has received a new front end which allows salt to be used as a configuration management system. The configuration management system allows for system configuration to be defined in data structures. The configuration management system, or as it is called in salt, the "salt state system" supports many of the features found in other configuration managers, but allows for system states to be written in a far simpler format, executes at blazing speeds, and operates via the salt minion matching system. The state system also operates within the normal scope of salt, and requires no additional configuration to use.

The salt state system can enforce the following states with many more to come: Packages Files Services Executing commands Hosts

The system used to define the salt states is based on a data structure, the data structure used to define the salt states has been made to be as easy to use as possible. The data structure is defined by default using a YAML file rendered via a Jinja template. This means that the state definition language supports all of the data structures that YAML supports, and all of the programming constructs and logic that Jinja supports. If the user does not like YAML or Jinja the states can be defined in yaml-mako, json-jinja, or json-mako. The system used to render the states is completely dynamic, and any rendering system can be added to the capabilities of Salt, this means that a rendering system that renders XML data in a cheetah template, or whatever you can imagine, can be easily added to the capabilities of salt.

The salt state system also supports isolated environments, as well as matching code from several environments to a single salt minion.

The feature base for Salt has grown quite a bit since my last serious documentation push. As we approach 0.9.0 the goals are becoming very clear, and the documentation needs a lot of work. The main goals for 0.9.0 are to further refine the state system, fix any bugs we find, get Salt running on as many platforms as we can, and get the documentation filled out. There is a lot more to come as Salt moves forward to encapsulate a much larger scope, while maintaining supreme usability and simplicity.

If you would like a more complete overview of Salt please watch the Salt presentation: Slides: https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/Salt.pdf

-Thomas S Hatch

24.2.37 Salt 0.8.9 Release Notes

Salt 0.8.9 has finally arrived! Unfortunately this is much later than I had hoped to release 0.8.9, life has been very crazy over the last month. But despite challenges, Salt has moved forward!

This release, as expected, adds few new features and many refinements. One of the most exciting aspect of this release is that the development community for salt has grown a great deal and much of the code is from contributors.

Also, I have filled out the documentation a great deal. So information on States is properly documented, and much of the documentation that was out of date has been filled in.

Download!

The Salt source can be downloaded from the salt GitHub site:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.8.9.tar.gz

Or from PvPI:

https://pypi.python.org/packages/source/s/salt/salt-0.8.9.tar.gz

Here s the md5sum:

7d5aca4633bc22f59045f59e82f43b56

For instructions on how to set up Salt please see the *Installation* instructions.

New Features

Salt Run

A big feature is the addition of Salt run, the salt-run command allows for master side execution modules to be made that gather specific information or execute custom routines from the master.

Documentation for salt-run can be found here

Refined Outputters

One problem often complained about in salt was the fact that the output was so messy. Thanks to help from Jeff Schroeder a cleaner interface for the command output for the Salt CLI has been made. This new interface makes adding new printout formats easy and additions to the capabilities of minion modules makes it possible to set the printout mode or outputter for functions in minion modules.

Cross Calling Salt Modules

Salt modules can now call each other, the __salt__ dict has been added to the predefined references in minion modules. This new feature is documented in the *modules documentation*.

Watch Option Added to Salt State System

Now in Salt states you can set the watch option, this will allow watch enabled states to change based on a change in the other defined states. This is similar to subscribe and notify statements in puppet.

Root Dir Option

Travis Cline has added the ability to define the option root_dir which allows the salt minion to operate in a subdir. This is a strong move in supporting the minion running as an unprivileged user

Config Files Defined in Variables

Thanks again to Travis Cline, the master and minion configuration file locations can be defined in environment variables now.

New Modules

Quite a few new modules, states, returners and runners have been made.

New Minion Modules

apt Support for apt-get has been added, this adds greatly improved Debian and Ubuntu support to Salt!

useradd and groupadd Support for manipulating users and groups on Unix-like systems.

moosefs Initial support for reporting on aspects of the distributed file system, MooseFS. For more information on MooseFS please see: http://www.moosefs.org

Thanks to Joseph Hall for his work on MooseFS support.

mount Manage mounts and the fstab.

puppet Execute puppet on remote systems.

shadow Manipulate and manage the user password file.

ssh Interact with ssh keys.

New States

user and group Support for managing users and groups in Salt States.

mount Enforce mounts and the fstab.

New Returners

mongo_return Send the return information to a MongoDB server.

New Runners

manage Display minions that are up or down.

24.2.38 Salt 0.9.0 Release Notes

release 2011-08-27

Salt 0.9.0 is here. This is an exciting release, 0.9.0 includes the new network topology features allowing peer salt commands and masters of masters via the syndic interface.

0.9.0 also introduces many more modules, improvements to the API and improvements to the ZeroMQ systems.

Download!

The Salt source can be downloaded from the salt GitHub site:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.9.0.tar.gz

Or from PyPI:

https://pypi.python.org/packages/source/s/salt/salt-0.9.0.tar.gz

Here is the md5sum:

9a925da04981e65a0f237f2e77ddab37

For instructions on how to set up Salt please see the *Installation* instructions.

New Features

Salt Syndic

The new *Syndic interface* allows a master to be commanded via another higher level salt master. This is a powerful solution allowing a master control structure to exist, allowing salt to scale to much larger levels then before.

Peer Communication

0.9.0 introduces the capability for a minion to call a publication on the master and receive the return from another set of minions. This allows salt to act as a communication channel between minions and as a general infrastructure message bus.

Peer communication is turned off by default but can be enabled via the peer option in the master configuration file. Documentation on the new *Peer interface*.

Easily Extensible API

The minion and master classes have been redesigned to allow for specialized minion and master servers to be easily created. An example on how this is done for the master can be found in the master.py salt module:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/master.py

The Master class extends the SMaster class and set up the main master server.

The minion functions can now also be easily added to another application via the SMinion class, this class can be found in the minion.py module:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt/blob/develop/salt/minion.py

Cleaner Key Management

This release changes some of the key naming to allow for multiple master keys to be held based on the type of minion gathering the master key.

The -d option has also been added to the salt-key command allowing for easy removal of accepted public keys.

The –gen-keys option is now available as well for salt-key, this allows for a salt specific RSA key pair to be easily generated from the command line.

Improved 0MQ Master Workers

The 0MQ worker system has been further refined to be faster and more robust. This new system has been able to handle a much larger load than the previous setup. The new system uses the IPC protocol in 0MQ instead of TCP.

New Modules

Quite a few new modules have been made.

New Minion Modules

apache Work directly with apache servers, great for managing balanced web servers

cron Read out the contents of a systems crontabs

mdadm Module to manage raid devices in Linux, appears as the raid module

mysql Gather simple data from MySQL databases

ps Extensive utilities for managing processes

publish Used by the peer interface to allow minions to make publications

24.2.39 Salt 0.9.1 Release Notes

release 2011-08-29

24.2.40 Salt 0.9.2 Release Notes

release 2011-09-17

Salt 0.9.2 has arrived! 0.9.2 is primarily a bugfix release, the exciting component in 0.9.2 is greatly improved support for salt states. All of the salt states interfaces have been more thoroughly tested and the new salt-states git repo is growing with example of how to use states.

This release introduces salt states for early developers and testers to start helping us clean up the states interface and make it ready for the world!

0.9.2 also fixes a number of bugs found on Python 2.6.

Download!

The Salt source can be downloaded from the salt GitHub site:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.9.2.tar.gz

Or from PyPI:

https://pypi.python.org/packages/source/s/salt/salt-0.9.2.tar.gz

For instructions on how to set up Salt please see the *Installation* instructions.

New Features

Salt-Call Additions

The salt-call command has received an overhaul, it now hooks into the outputter system so command output looks clean, and the logging system has been hooked into salt-call, so the -l option allows the logging output from salt minion functions to be displayed.

The end result is that the salt-call command can execute the state system and return clean output:

```
# salt-call state.highstate
```

State System Fixes

The state system has been tested and better refined. As of this release the state system is ready for early testers to start playing with. If you are interested in working with the state system please check out the (still very small) salt-states GitHub repo:

https://github.com/saltstack/salt-states

This git repo is the active development branch for determining how a clean salt-state database should look and act. Since the salt state system is still very young a lot of help is still needed here. Please fork the salt-states repo and help us develop a truly large and scalable system for configuration management!

Notable Bug Fixes

Python 2.6 String Formatting

Python 2.6 does not support format strings without an index identifier, all of them have been repaired.

Cython Loading Disabled by Default

Cython loading requires a development tool chain to be installed on the minion, requiring this by default can cause problems for most Salt deployments. If Cython auto loading is desired it will need to be turned on in the minion config.

24.2.41 Salt 0.9.3 Release Notes

release 2011-11-05

Salt 0.9.3 is finally arrived. This is another big step forward for Salt, new features range from proper FreeBSD support to fixing issues seen when attaching a minion to a master over the Internet.

The biggest improvements in 0.9.3 though can be found in the state system, it has progressed from something ready for early testers to a system ready to compete with platforms such as Puppet and Chef. The backbone of the state system has been greatly refined and many new features are available.

Download!

The Salt source can be downloaded from the salt GitHub site:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.9.3.tar.gz

Or from PyPI:

https://pypi.python.org/packages/source/s/salt/salt-0.9.3.tar.gz

For instructions on how to set up Salt please see the *Installation* instructions.

New Features

WAN Support

Recently more people have been testing Salt minions connecting to Salt Masters over the Internet. It was found that Minions would commonly loose their connection to the master when working over the internet. The minions can now detect if the connection has been lost and reconnect to the master, making WAN connections much more reliable.

State System Fixes

Substantial testing has gone into the state system and it is ready for real world usage. A great deal has been added to the documentation for states and the modules and functions available to states have been cleanly documented.

A number of State System bugs have also been founds and repaired, the output from the state system has also been refined to be extremely clear and concise.

Error reporting has also been introduced, issues found in sls files will now be clearly reported when executing Salt States.

Extend Declaration

The Salt States have also gained the extend declaration. This declaration allows for states to be cleanly modified in a post environment. Simply said, if there is an apache.sls file that declares the apache service, then another sls can include apache and then extend it:

```
include:
    - apache

extend:
    apache:
    service:
        - require:
        - pkg: mod_python

mod_python:
    pkg:
        - installed
```

The notable behavior with the extend functionality is that it literally extends or overwrites a declaration set up in another sls module. This means that Salt will behave as though the modifications were made directly to the apache sls. This ensures that the apache service in this example is directly tied to all requirements.

Highstate Structure Specification

This release comes with a clear specification of the Highstate data structure that is used to declare Salt States. This specification explains everything that can be declared in the Salt SLS modules.

The specification is extremely simple, and illustrates how Salt has been able to fulfill the requirements of a central configuration manager within a simple and easy to understand format and specification.

SheBang Renderer Switch

It came to our attention that having many renderers means that there may be a situation where more than one State Renderer should be available within a single State Tree.

The method chosen to accomplish this was something already familiar to developers and systems administrators, a SheBang. The Python State Renderer displays this new capability.

Python State Renderer

Until now Salt States could only be declared in yaml or json using Jinja or Mako. A new, very powerful, renderer has been added, making it possible to write Salt States in pure Python:

This renderer is used by making a run function that returns the Highstate data structure. Any capabilities of Python can be used in pure Python sls modules.

This example of a pure Python sls module is the same as this example in yaml:

```
include:
    - python
```

FreeBSD Support

Additional support has been added for FreeBSD, this is Salt's first branch out of the Linux world and proves the viability of Salt on non-Linux platforms.

Salt remote execution already worked on FreeBSD, and should work without issue on any Unix-like platform. But this support comes in the form of package management and user support, so Salt States also work on FreeBSD now.

The new freebsdpkg module provides package management support for FreeBSD and the new pw_user and pw_group provide user and group management.

Module and State Additions

Cron Support

Support for managing the system crontab has been added, declaring a cron state can be done easily:

File State Additions

The file state has been given a number of new features, primarily the directory, recurse, symlink and absent functions.

file.directory Make sure that a directory exists and has the right permissions.

```
/srv/foo:
    file:
        - directory
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: 1755
```

file.symlink Make a symlink.

```
/var/lib/www:
   file:
     - symlink
     - target: /srv/www
     - force: True
```

file.recurse The recurse state function will recursively download a directory on the master file server and place it on the minion. Any change in the files on the master will be pushed to the minion. The recurse function is very powerful and has been tested by pushing out the full Linux kernel source.

```
/opt/code:
    file:
        - recurse
        - source: salt://linux
```

file.absent Make sure that the file is not on the system, recursively deletes directories, files and symlinks.

Sysctl Module and State

The sysctl module and state allows for sysctl components in the kernel to be managed easily. the sysctl module contains the following functions:

sysctl.show Return a list of sysctl parameters for this minion

sysctl.get Return a single sysctl parameter for this minion

sysctl.assign Assign a single sysctl parameter for this minion

sysctl.persist Assign and persist a simple sysctl parameter for this minion

The sysctl state allows for sysctl parameters to be assigned:

```
vm.swappiness:
    sysctl:
        - present
        - value: 20
```

Kernel Module Management

A module for managing Linux kernel modules has been added. The new functions are as follows:

kmod.available Return a list of all available kernel modules

kmod.check_available Check to see if the specified kernel module is available

kmod.lsmod Return a dict containing information about currently loaded modules

kmod.load Load the specified kernel module

kmod.remove Unload the specified kernel module

The kmod state can enforce modules be either present or absent:

Ssh Authorized Keys

The ssh_auth state can distribute ssh authorized keys out to minions. Ssh authorized keys can be present or absent.

```
AAAAB3NzaC1kc3MAAACBAL0sQ9fJ5bYTEyYv1RBsJdD0o49CNfhlWHWXQRqul6rwL4KIuPrhY7hBw0tV7UNC7J9IZRNO4iGod9C+csh_auth:
- present
```

```
- user: frank
- enc: dsa
- comment: 'Frank's key'
```

24.2.42 Salt 0.9.4 Release Notes

```
release 2011-11-27
```

Salt 0.9.4 has arrived. This is a critical update that repairs a number of key bugs found in 0.9.3. But this update is not without feature additions as well! 0.9.4 adds support for Gentoo portage to the pkg module and state system. Also there are 2 major new state additions, the failhard option and the ability to set up finite state ordering with the order option.

This release also sees our largest increase in community contributions. These contributors have and continue to be the life blood of the Salt project, and the team continues to grow. I want to put out a big thanks to our new and existing contributors.

Download!

The Salt source can be downloaded from the salt GitHub site:

https://cloud.github.com/downloads/saltstack/salt/salt-0.9.4.tar.gz

Or from PyPI:

https://pypi.python.org/packages/source/s/salt/salt-0.9.4.tar.gz

For instructions on how to set up Salt please see the *Installation* instructions.

New Features

Failhard State Option

Normally, when a state fails Salt continues to execute the remainder of the defined states and will only refuse to execute states that require the failed state.

But the situation may exist, where you would want all state execution to stop if a single state execution fails. The capability to do this is called failing hard.

State Level Failhard A single state can have a failhard set, this means that if this individual state fails that all state execution will immediately stop. This is a great thing to do if there is a state that sets up a critical config file and setting a require for each state that reads the config would be cumbersome. A good example of this would be setting up a package manager early on:

```
/etc/yum.repos.d/company.repo:
    file:
        - managed
        - source: salt://company/yumrepo.conf
        - user: root
        - group: root
        - mode: 644
        - order: 1
        - failhard: True
```

In this situation, the yum repo is going to be configured before other states, and if it fails to lay down the config file, than no other states will be executed.

Global Failhard It may be desired to have failhard be applied to every state that is executed, if this is the case, then failhard can be set in the master configuration file. Setting failhard in the master configuration file will result in failing hard when any minion gathering states from the master have a state fail.

This is NOT the default behavior, normally Salt will only fail states that require a failed state.

Using the global failhard is generally not recommended, since it can result in states not being executed or even checked. It can also be confusing to see states failhard if an admin is not actively aware that the failhard has been set.

To use the global failhard set failhard: True in the master configuration

Finite Ordering of State Execution

When creating salt sls files, it is often important to ensure that they run in a specific order. While states will always execute in the same order, that order is not necessarily defined the way you want it.

A few tools exist in Salt to set up the correct state ordering, these tools consist of requisite declarations and order options.

The Order Option Before using the order option, remember that the majority of state ordering should be done with requisite statements, and that a requisite statement will override an order option.

The order option is used by adding an order number to a state declaration with the option *order*:

By adding the order option to I this ensures that the vim package will be installed in tandem with any other state declaration set to the order I.

Any state declared without an order option will be executed after all states with order options are executed.

But this construct can only handle ordering states from the beginning. Sometimes you may want to send a state to the end of the line, to do this set the order to last:

Substantial testing has gone into the state system and it is ready for real world usage. A great deal has been added to the documentation for states and the modules and functions available to states have been cleanly documented.

A number of State System bugs have also been founds and repaired, the output from the state system has also been refined to be extremely clear and concise.

Error reporting has also been introduced, issues found in sls files will now be clearly reported when executing Salt States.

Gentoo Support

Additional experimental support has been added for Gentoo. This is found in the contribution from Doug Renn, aka nestegg.

24.2.43 Salt 0.9.5 Release Notes

release 2012-01-15

Salt 0.9.5 is one of the largest steps forward in the development of Salt.

0.9.5 comes with many milestones, this release has seen the community of developers grow out to an international team of 46 code contributors and has many feature additions, feature enhancements, bug fixes and speed improvements.

Warning: Be sure to read the upgrade instructions about the switch to msgpack before upgrading!

Community

Nothing has proven to have more value to the development of Salt that the outstanding community that has been growing at such a great pace around Salt. This has proven not only that Salt has great value, but also the expandability of Salt is as exponential as I originally intended.

0.9.5 has received over 600 additional commits since 0.9.4 with a swath of new committers. The following individuals have contributed to the development of 0.9.5:

- · Aaron Bull Schaefer
- Antti Kaihola
- · Bas Tichelaar
- · Brad Barden
- · Brian Wagner
- · Byron Clark
- · Chris Scheller
- · Christer Edwards
- Clint Savage
- Corey Quinn
- · David Boucha
- · Eivind Uggedal
- · Eric Poelke
- Evan Borgstrom
- · Jed Glazner
- · Jeff Schroeder
- · Jeffrey C. Ollie
- · Jonas Buckner
- · Kent Tenney
- · Martin Schnabel
- · Maxim Burgerhout
- · Mitch Anderson
- · Nathaniel Whiteinge

- · Seth House
- · Thomas S Hatch
- · Thomas Schreiber
- · Tor Hveem
- lzyeval
- syphernl

This makes 21 new developers since 0.9.4 was released!

To keep up with the growing community follow Salt on Ohloh (http://www.ohloh.net/p/salt), to join the Salt development community, fork Salt on Github, and get coding (https://github.com/saltstack/salt)!

Major Features

SPEED! Pickle to msgpack

For a few months now we have been talking about moving away from Python pickles for network serialization, but a preferred serialization format had not yet been found. After an extensive performance testing period involving everything from JSON to protocol buffers, a clear winner emerged. Message Pack (http://msgpack.org/) proved to not only be the fastest and most compact, but also the most "salt like". Message Pack is simple, and the code involved is very small. The msgpack library for Python has been added directly to Salt.

This move introduces a few changes to Salt. First off, Salt is no longer a "noarch" package, since the msgpack lib is written in C. Salt 0.9.5 will also have compatibility issues with 0.9.4 with the default configuration.

We have gone through great lengths to avoid backwards compatibility issues with Salt, but changing the serialization medium was going to create issues regardless. Salt 0.9.5 is somewhat backwards compatible with earlier minions. A 0.9.5 master can command older minions, but only if the serial config value in the master is set to pickle. This will tell the master to publish messages in pickle format and will allow the master to receive messages in both msgpack and pickle formats.

Therefore the suggested methods for upgrading are either to just upgrade everything at once, or:

- 1. Upgrade the master to 0.9.5
- 2. Set serial to pickle in the master config
- 3. Upgrade the minions
- 4. Remove the serial option from the master config

Since pickles can be used as a security exploit the ability for a master to accept pickles from minions at all will be removed in a future release.

C Bindings for YAML

All of the YAML rendering is now done with the YAML C bindings. This speeds up all of the sls files when running states.

Experimental Windows Support

David Boucha has worked tirelessly to bring initial support to Salt for Microsoft Windows operating systems. Right now the Salt Minion can run as a native Windows service and accept commands.

In the weeks and months to come Windows will receive the full treatment and will have support for Salt States and more robust support for managing Windows systems. This is a big step forward for Salt to move entirely outside of the Unix world, and proves Salt is a viable cross platform solution. Big Thanks to Dave for his contribution here!

Dynamic Module Distribution

Many Salt users have expressed the desire to have Salt distribute in-house modules, states, renderers, returners, and grains. This support has been added in a number of ways:

Modules via States Now when salt modules are deployed to a minion via the state system as a file, then the modules will be automatically loaded into the active running minion - no restart required - and into the active running state. So custom state modules can be deployed and used in the same state run.

Modules via Module Environment Directories Under the file_roots each environment can now have directories that are used to deploy large groups of modules. These directories sync modules at the beginning of a state run on the minion, or can be manually synced via the Salt module salt.modules.saltutil.sync_all.

The directories are named:

- modules
- states
- grains
- _renderers
- returners

The modules are pushed to their respective scopes on the minions.

Module Reloading

Modules can now be reloaded without restarting the minion, this is done by calling the salt.modules.sys.reload modules function.

But wait, there's more! Now when a salt module of any type is added via states the modules will be automatically reloaded, allowing for modules to be laid down with states and then immediately used.

Finally, all modules are reloaded when modules are dynamically distributed from the salt master.

Enable / Disable Added to Service

A great deal of demand has existed for adding the capability to set services to be started at boot in the service module. This feature also comes with an overhaul of the service modules and initial systemd support.

This means that the service state can now accept - enable: True to make sure a service is enabled at boot, and - enable: False to make sure it is disabled.

Compound Target

A new target type has been added to the lineup, the compound target. In previous versions the desired minions could only be targeted via a single specific target type, but now many target specifications can be declared.

These targets can also be separated by and/or operators, so certain properties can be used to omit a node:

```
salt -C 'webserv* and G@os:Debian or E@db.*' test.ping
```

will match all minions with ids starting with webserv via a glob and minions matching the os: Debian grain. Or minions that match the db.* regular expression.

Node Groups

Often the convenience of having a predefined group of minions to execute targets on is desired. This can be accomplished with the new nodegroups feature. Nodegroups allow for predefined compound targets to be declared in the master configuration file:

```
nodegroups:
    group1: 'L@foo.domain.com,bar.domain.com,baz.domain.com and bl*.domain.com'
    group2: 'G@os:Debian and foo.domain.com'
```

And then used via the -N option:

```
salt -N group1 test.ping
```

Minion Side Data Store

The data module introduces the initial approach into storing persistent data on the minions, specific to the minions. This allows for data to be stored on minions that can be accessed from the master or from the minion.

The Minion datastore is young, and will eventually provide an interface similar to a more mature key/value pair server.

Major Grains Improvement

The Salt grains have been overhauled to include a massive amount of extra data. this includes hardware data, os data and salt specific data.

Salt -Q is Useful Now

In the past the salt query system, which would display the data from recent executions would be displayed in pure Python, and it was unreadable.

0.9.5 has added the outputter system to the -Q option, thus enabling the salt query system to return readable output.

Packaging Updates

Huge strides have been made in packaging Salt for distributions. These additions are thanks to our wonderful community where the work to set up packages has proceeded tirelessly.

FreeBSD

Salt on FreeBSD? There a port for that:

http://svnweb.freebsd.org/ports/head/sysutils/py-salt/

This port was developed and added by Christer Edwards. This also marks the first time Salt has been included in an upstream packaging system!

Fedora and Red Hat Enterprise

Salt packages have been prepared for inclusion in the Fedora Project and in EPEL for Red Hat Enterprise 5 and 6. These packages are the result of the efforts made by Clint Savage (herlo).

Debian/Ubuntu

A team of many contributors have assisted in developing packages for Debian and Ubuntu. Salt is still actively seeking inclusion in upstream Debian and Ubuntu and the package data that has been prepared is being pushed through the needed channels for inclusion.

These packages have been prepared with the help of:

- Corey
- · Aaron Toponce
- · and '

More to Come

We are actively seeking inclusion in more distributions. Primarily getting Salt into Gentoo, SUSE, OpenBSD and preparing Solaris support are all turning into higher priorities.

Refinement

Salt continues to be refined into a faster, more stable and more usable application. 0.9.5 comes with more debug logging, more bug fixes and more complete support.

More Testing, More BugFixes

0.9.5 comes with more bugfixes due to more testing than any previous release. The growing community and the introduction a a dedicated QA environment have unearthed many issues that were hiding under the covers. This has further refined and cleaned the state interface, taking care of things from minor visual issues to repairing misleading data.

Custom Exceptions

A custom exception module has been added to throw salt specific exceptions. This allows Salt to give much more granular error information.

New Modules

data The new data module manages a persistent datastore on the minion. Big thanks to bastichelaar for his help refining this module

freebsdkmod FreeBSD kernel modules can now be managed in the same way Salt handles Linux kernel modules.

This module was contributed thanks to the efforts of Christer Edwards

gentoo_service Support has been added for managing services in Gentoo. Now Gentoo services can be started, stopped, restarted, enabled, disabled and viewed.

pip The pip module introduces management for pip installed applications. Thanks goes to whitinge for the addition of the pip module

rh_service The rh_service module enables Red Hat and Fedora specific service management. Now Red Hat like systems come with extensive management of the classic init system used by Red Hat

saltutil The saltutil module has been added as a place to hold functions used in the maintenance and management of salt itself. Saltutil is used to salt the salt minion. The saltutil module is presently used only to sync extension modules from the master server.

systemd Systemd support has been added to Salt, now systems using this next generation init system are supported on systems running systemd.

virtualenv The virtualenv module has been added to allow salt to create virtual Python environments. Thanks goes to whitinge for the addition of the virtualenv module

win_disk Support for gathering disk information on Microsoft Windows minions The windows modules come courtesy of Utah_Dave

win_service The win_service module adds service support to Salt for Microsoft Windows services

win_useradd Salt can now manage local users on Microsoft Windows Systems

yumpkg5 The yumpkg module introduces in 0.9.4 uses the yum API to interact with the yum package manager. Unfortunately, on Red Hat 5 systems salt does not have access to the yum API because the yum API is running under Python 2.4 and Salt needs to run under Python 2.6.

The yumpkg5 module bypasses this issue by shelling out to yum on systems where the yum API is not available.

New States

mysql_database The new mysql_database state adds the ability to systems running a mysql server to manage the existence of mysql databases.

The mysql states are thanks to syphernl

mysql_user The mysql_user state enables mysql user management.

virtualenv The virtualenv state can manage the state of Python virtual environments. Thanks to Whitinge for the virtualenv state

New Returners

cassandra_returner A returner allowing Salt to send data to a cassandra server. Thanks to Byron Clark for contributing this returner

24.2.44 Salt 0.9.6 Release Notes

release 2012-01-21

Salt 0.9.6 is a release targeting a few bugs and changes. This is primarily targeting an issue found in the names declaration in the state system. But a few other bugs were also repaired, like missing support for grains in extmods.

Due to a conflict in distribution packaging msgpack will no longer be bundled with Salt, and is required as a dependency.

New Features

HTTP and ftp support in files.managed

Now under the source option in the file.managed state a HTTP or ftp address can be used instead of a file located on the salt master.

Allow Multiple Returners

Now the returner interface can define multiple returners, and will also return data back to the master, making the process less ambiguous.

Minion Memory Improvements

A number of modules have been taken out of the minion if the underlying systems required by said modules are not present on the minion system. A number of other modules need to be stripped out in this same way which should continue to make the minion more efficient.

Minions Can Locally Cache Return Data

A new option, cache_jobs, has been added to the minion to allow for all of the historically run jobs to cache on the minion, allowing for looking up historic returns. By default cache_jobs is set to False.

Pure Python Template Support For file.managed

Templates in the file.managed state can now be defined in a Python script. This script needs to have a run function that returns the string that needs to be in the named file.

24.2.45 Salt 0.9.7 Release Notes

release 2012-02-15

Salt 0.9.7 is here! The latest iteration of Salt brings more features and many fixes. This release is a great refinement over 0.9.6, adding many conveniences under the hood, as well as some features that make working with Salt much better.

A few highlights include the new Job system, refinements to the requisite system in states, the mod_init interface for states, external node classification, search path to managed files in the file state, and refinements and additions to dynamic module loading.

0.9.7 also introduces the long developed (and oft changed) unit test framework and the initial unit tests.

Major Features

Salt Jobs Interface

The new jobs interface makes the management of running executions much cleaner and more transparent. Building on the existing execution framework the jobs system allows clear introspection into the active running state of the running Salt interface.

The Jobs interface is centered in the new minion side proc system. The minions now store msgpack serialized files under /var/cache/salt/proc. These files keep track of the active state of processes on the minion.

Functions in the saltutil Module A number of functions have been added to the saltutil module to manage and view the jobs:

running - Returns the data of all running jobs that are found in the proc directory.

find_job - Returns specific data about a certain job based on job id.

signal_job - Allows for a given jid to be sent a signal.

term_job - Sends a termination signal (SIGTERM, 15) to the process controlling the specified job.

kill_job Sends a kill signal (SIGKILL, 9) to the process controlling the specified job.

The jobs Runner

A convenience runner front end and reporting system has been added as well. The jobs runner contains functions to make viewing data easier and cleaner.

The jobs runner contains a number of functions...

active The active function runs saltutil.running on all minions and formats the return data about all running jobs in a much more usable and compact format. The active function will also compare jobs that have returned and jobs that are still running, making it easier to see what systems have completed a job and what systems are still being waited on.

lookup_jid When jobs are executed the return data is sent back to the master and cached. By default is is cached for 24 hours, but this can be configured via the keep_jobs option in the master configuration.

Using the lookup_jid runner will display the same return data that the initial job invocation with the salt command would display.

list_jobs Before finding a historic job, it may be required to find the job id. list_jobs will parse the cached execution data and display all of the job data for jobs that have already, or partially returned.

External Node Classification

Salt can now use external node classifiers like Cobbler's cobbler-ext-nodes.

Salt uses specific data from the external node classifier. In particular the classes value denotes which sls modules to run, and the environment value sets to another environment.

An external node classification can be set in the master configuration file via the external_nodes option: http://salt.readthedocs.org/en/latest/ref/configuration/master.html#external-nodes

External nodes are loaded in addition to the top files. If it is intended to only use external nodes, do not deploy any top files.

State Mod Init System

An issue arose with the pkg state. Every time a package was run Salt would need to refresh the package database. This made systems with slower package metadata refresh speeds much slower to work with. To alleviate this issue the mod init interface has been added to salt states.

The mod_init interface is a function that can be added to a state file. This function is called with the first state called. In the case of the pkg state, the mod_init function sets up a tag which makes the package database only refresh on the first attempt to install a package.

In a nutshell, the mod_init interface allows a state to run any command that only needs to be run once, or can be used to set up an environment for working with the state.

Source File Search Path

The file state continues to be refined, adding speed and capabilities. This release adds the ability to pass a list to the source option. This list is then iterated over until the source file is found, and the first found file is used.

The new syntax looks like this:

```
/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf:
    file:
        - managed
        - source:
            - salt://httpd/httpd.conf
            - http://myserver/httpd.conf: md5=8c1fe119e6f1fd96bc06614473509bf1
```

The source option can take sources in the list from the salt file server as well as an arbitrary web source. If using an arbitrary web source the checksum needs to be passed as well for file verification.

Refinements to the Requisite System

A few discrepancies were still lingering in the requisite system, in particular, it was not possible to have a require and a watch requisite declared in the same state declaration.

This issue has been alleviated, as well as making the requisite system run more quickly.

Initial Unit Testing Framework

Because of the module system, and the need to test real scenarios, the development of a viable unit testing system has been difficult, but unit testing has finally arrived. Only a small amount of unit testing coverage has been developed, much more coverage will be in place soon.

A huge thanks goes out to those who have helped with unit testing, and the contributions that have been made to get us where we are. Without these contributions unit tests would still be in the dark.

Compound Targets Expanded

Originally only support for and and or were available in the compound target. 0.9.7 adds the capability to negate compound targets with not.

Nodegroups in the Top File

Previously the nodegroups defined in the master configuration file could not be used to match nodes for states. The nodegroups support has been expanded and the nodegroups defined in the master configuration can now be used to match minions in the top file.

24.2.46 Salt 0.9.8 Release Notes

release 2012-03-21

Salt 0.9.8 is a big step forward, with many additions and enhancements, as well as a number of precursors to advanced future developments.

This version of Salt adds much more power to the command line, making the old hard timeout issues a thing of the past and adds keyword argument support. These additions are also available in the salt client API, making the available API tools much more powerful.

The new pillar system allows for data to be stored on the master and assigned to minions in a granular way similar to the state system. It also allows flexibility for users who want to keep data out of their state tree similar to 'external lookup' functionality in other tools.

A new way to extend requisites was added, the "requisite in" statement. This makes adding requires or watch statements to external state decs much easier.

Additions to requisites making them much more powerful have been added as well as improved error checking for sls files in the state system. A new provider system has been added to allow for redirecting what modules run in the background for individual states.

Support for OpenSUSE has been added and support for Solaris has begun serious development. Windows support has been significantly enhanced as well.

The matcher and target systems have received a great deal of attention. The default behavior of grain matching has changed slightly to reflect the rest of salt and the compound matcher system has been refined.

A number of impressive features with keyword arguments have been added to both the CLI and to the state system. This makes states much more powerful and flexible while maintaining the simple configuration everyone loves.

The new batch size capability allows for executions to be rolled through a group of targeted minions a percentage or specific number at a time. This was added to prevent the "thundering herd" problem when targeting large numbers of minions for things like service restarts or file downloads.

Upgrade Considerations

Upgrade Issues

There was a previously missed oversight which could cause a newer minion to crash an older master. That oversight has been resolved so the version incompatibility issue will no longer occur. When upgrading to 0.9.8 make sure to

upgrade the master first, followed by the minions.

Debian/Ubuntu Packages

The original Debian/Ubuntu packages were called salt and included all salt applications. New packages in the ppa are split by function. If an old salt package is installed then it should be manually removed and the new split packages need to be freshly installed.

On the master:

```
# apt-get purge salt
# apt-get install salt-{master,minion}
```

On the minions:

```
# apt-get purge salt
# apt-get install salt-minion
```

And on any Syndics:

```
# apt-get install salt-syndic
```

The official Salt PPA for Ubuntu is located at: https://launchpad.net/~saltstack/+archive/salt

Major Features

Pillar

Pillar offers an interface to declare variable data on the master that is then assigned to the minions. The pillar data is made available to all modules, states, sls files etc. It is compiled on the master and is declared using the existing renderer system. This means that learning pillar should be fairly trivial to those already familiar with salt states.

CLI Additions

The salt command has received a serious overhaul and is more powerful than ever. Data is returned to the terminal as it is received, and the salt command will now wait for all running minions to return data before stopping. This makes adding very large *–timeout* arguments completely unnecessary and gets rid of long running operations returning empty {} when the timeout is exceeded.

When calling salt via sudo, the user originally running salt is saved to the log for auditing purposes. This makes it easy to see who ran what by just looking through the minion logs.

The salt-key command gained the -D and -delete-all arguments for removing all keys. Be careful with this one!

Running States Without a Master

The addition of running states without a salt-master has been added to 0.9.8. This feature allows for the unmodified salt state tree to be read locally from a minion. The result is that the UNMODIFIED state tree has just become portable, allowing minions to have a local copy of states or to manage states without a master entirely.

This is accomplished via the new file client interface in Salt that allows for the salt:// URI to be redirected to custom interfaces. This means that there are now two interfaces for the salt file server, calling the master or looking in a local, minion defined file_roots.

This new feature can be used by modifying the minion config to point to a local file_roots and setting the file_client option to local.

Keyword Arguments and States

State modules now accept the **kwargs argument. This results in all data in a sls file assigned to a state being made available to the state function.

This passes data in a transparent way back to the modules executing the logic. In particular, this allows adding arguments to the pkg.install module that enable more advanced and granular controls with respect to what the state is capable of.

An example of this along with the new debconf module for installing ldap client packages on Debian:

```
ldap-client-packages:
    pkg:
        - debconf: salt://debconf/ldap-client.ans
        - installed
        - names:
             - nslcd
             - libpam-ldapd
             - libnss-ldapd
```

Keyword Arguments and the CLI

In the past it was required that all arguments be passed in the proper order to the *salt* and *salt-call* commands. As of 0.9.8, keyword arguments can be passed in the form of kwarg=argument.

```
# salt -G 'type:dev' git.clone \
    repository=https://github.com/saltstack/salt.git cwd=/tmp/salt user=jeff
```

Matcher Refinements and Changes

A number of fixes and changes have been applied to the Matcher system. The most noteworthy is the change in the grain matcher. The grain matcher used to use a regular expression to match the passed data to a grain, but now defaults to a shell glob like the majority of match interfaces in Salt. A new option is available that still uses the old style regex matching to grain data called grain-pore. To use regex matching in compound matches use the letter *P*.

For example, this would match any ArchLinux or Fedora minions:

```
# salt --grain-pcre 'os:(Arch:Fed).*' test.ping
```

And the associated compound matcher suitable for top.sls is P:

```
P@os: (Arch|Fed).*
```

NOTE: Changing the grains matcher from pere to glob is backwards incompatible.

Support has been added for matching minions with Yahoo's range library. This is handled by passing range syntax with -R or -range arguments to salt.

More information at: https://github.com/grierj/range/wiki/Introduction-to-Range-with-YAML-files

Requisite "in"

A new means to updating requisite statements has been added to make adding watchers and requires to external states easier. Before 0.9.8 the only way to extend the states that were watched by a state outside of the sls was to use an extend statement:

```
include:
    - http
extend:
    apache:
    service:
    - watch:
        - pkg: tomcat

tomcat:
    pkg:
    - installed
```

But the new Requisite in statement allows for easier extends for requisites:

```
include:
   - http

tomcat:
   pkg:
    - installed
   - watch_in:
    - service: apache
```

Requisite in is part of the extend system, so still remember to always include the sls that is being extended!

Providers

Salt predetermines what modules should be mapped to what uses based on the properties of a system. These determinations are generally made for modules that provide things like package and service management. The apt module maps to pkg on Debian and the yum module maps to pkg on Fedora for instance.

Sometimes in states, it may be necessary for a non-default module to be used for the desired functionality. For instance, an Arch Linux system may have been set up with systemd support. Instead of using the default service module detected for Arch Linux, the systemd module can be used:

```
http:
    service:
        - running
        - enable: True
        - provider: systemd
```

Default providers can also be defined in the minion config file:

```
providers:
   service: systemd
```

When default providers are passed in the minion config, then those providers will be applied to all functionality in Salt, this means that the functions called by the minion will use these modules, as well as states.

Requisite Glob Matching

Requisites can now be defined with glob expansion. This means that if there are many requisites, they can be defined on a single line.

To watch all files in a directory:

```
http:
    service:
        - running
        - enable: True
        - watch:
        - file: /etc/http/conf.d/*
```

This example will watch all defined files that match the glob /etc/http/conf.d/*

Batch Size

The new batch size option allows commands to be executed while maintaining that only so many hosts are executing the command at one time. This option can take a percentage or a finite number:

```
salt '*' -b 10 test.ping
salt -G 'os:RedHat' --batch-size 25% apache.signal restart
```

This will only run test.ping on 10 of the targeted minions at a time and then restart apache on 25% of the minions matching os:RedHat at a time and work through them all until the task is complete. This makes jobs like rolling web server restarts behind a load balancer or doing maintenance on BSD firewalls using carp much easier with salt.

Module Updates

This is a list of notable, but non-exhaustive updates with new and existing modules.

Windows support has seen a flurry of support this release cycle. We've gained all new *file*, *network*, and *shadow* modules. Please note that these are still a work in progress.

For our ruby users, new rvm and gem modules have been added along with the associated states

The *virt* module gained basic Xen support.

The yum module gained Scientific Linux support.

The *pkg* module on Debian, Ubuntu, and derivatives force apt to run in a non-interactive mode. This prevents issues when package installation waits for confirmation.

A pkg module for OpenSUSE's zypper was added.

The service module on Ubuntu natively supports upstart.

A new *debconf* module was contributed by our community for more advanced control over deb package deployments on Debian based distributions.

The *mysql.user* state and *mysql* module gained a *password_hash* argument.

The *cmd* module and state gained a *shell* keyword argument for specifying a shell other than /bin/sh on Linux / Unix systems.

New git and mercurial modules have been added for fans of distributed version control.

In Progress Development

Master Side State Compiling

While we feel strongly that the advantages gained with minion side state compiling are very critical, it does prevent certain features that may be desired. 0.9.8 has support for initial master side state compiling, but many more components still need to be developed, it is hoped that these can be finished for 0.9.9.

The goal is that states can be compiled on both the master and the minion allowing for compilation to be split between master and minion. Why will this be great? It will allow storing sensitive data on the master and sending it to some minions without all minions having access to it. This will be good for handling ssl certificates on front-end web servers for instance.

Solaris Support

Salt 0.9.8 sees the introduction of basic Solaris support. The daemon runs well, but grains and more of the modules need updating and testing.

Windows Support

Salt states on windows are now much more viable thanks to contributions from our community! States for file, service, local user, and local group management are more fully fleshed out along with network and disk modules. Windows users can also now manage registry entries using the new "reg" module.

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release 2012-04-27

0.9.9 is out and comes with some serious bug fixes and even more serious features. This release is the last major feature release before 1.0.0 and could be considered the 1.0.0 release candidate.

A few updates include more advanced kwargs support, the ability for salt states to more safely configure a running salt minion, better job directory management and the new state test interface.

Many new tests have been added as well, including the new minion swarm test that allows for easier testing of Salt working with large groups of minions. This means that if you have experienced stability issues with Salt before, particularly in larger deployments, that these bugs have been tested for, found, and killed.

Major Features

State Test Interface

Until 0.9.9 the only option when running states to see what was going to be changed was to print out the highstate with state.show_highstate and manually look it over. But now states can be run to discover what is going to be changed.

Passing the option test=True to many of the state functions will now cause the salt state system to only check for what is going to be changed and report on those changes.

```
salt '*' state.highstate test=True
```

Now states that would have made changes report them back in yellow.

State Syntax Update

A shorthand syntax has been added to sls files, and it will be the default syntax in documentation going forward. The old syntax is still fully supported and will not be deprecated, but it is recommended to move to the new syntax in the future. This change moves the state function up into the state name using a dot notation. This is in-line with how state functions are generally referred to as well:

The new way:

```
/etc/sudoers:
    file.present:
        - source: salt://sudo/sudoers
        - user: root
        - mode: 400
```

Use and Use_in Requisites

Two new requisite statements are available in 0.9.9. The use and use_in requisite and requisite-in allow for the transparent duplication of data between states. When a state "uses" another state it copies the other state's arguments as defaults. This was created in direct response to the new network state, and allows for many network interfaces to be configured in the same way easily. A simple example:

```
root_file:
  file.absent:
    - name: /tmp/nothing
    - user: root
    - mode: 644
    - group: root
    - use_in:
      - file: /etc/vimrc
fred file:
  file.absent:
    - name: /tmp/nothing
    - user: fred
    - group: marketing
    - mode: 660
/files/marketing/district7.rst:
  file.present:
    - source: salt://marketing/district7.rst
    - template: jinja
    - use:
      - file: fred_file
/etc/vimrc:
  file.present:
    - source: salt://edit/vimrc
```

This makes the 2 lower state decs inherit the options from their respectively "used" state decs.

Network State

The new network state allows for the configuration of network devices via salt states and the ip salt module. This addition has been given to the project by Jeff Hutchins and Bret Palsson from Jive Communications.

Currently the only network configuration backend available is for Red Hat based systems, like Red Hat Enterprise, CentOS, and Fedora.

Exponential Jobs

Originally the jobs executed were stored on the master in the format: <cachedir>/jobs/jid/{minion ids} But this format restricted the number of jobs in the cache to the number of subdirectories allowed on the filesystem. Ext3 for instance limits subdirectories to 32000. To combat this the new format for 0.9.9 is: <cachedir>/jobs/jid_hash[:2]/jid_hash[2:]/{minion ids} So that now the number of maximum jobs that can be run before the cleanup cycle hits the job directory is substantially higher.

ssh auth Additions

The original ssh_auth state was limited to accepting only arguments to apply to a public key, and the key itself. This was restrictive due to the way the we learned that many people were using the state, so the key section has been expanded to accept options and arguments to the key that over ride arguments passed in the state. This gives substantial power to using ssh_auth with names:

```
sshkeys:
 ssh_auth:
    - present
    user: backup
    - enc: ssh-dss
    - options:
      - option1="value1"
      - option2="value2 flag2"
    - comment: backup
    - names:
      - AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA1yE26SMFFVY5YJvnL7AF5CRTPtAigSW1U887ASfBt6FDa7Qr1YdO5ochiLoz8aSil
      - AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA1yE26SMFFVY5YJvnL7AF5CRTPtAiqSW1U887ASfBt6FDa7Qr1YdO5ochiLoz8aSil
      - ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA1yE26SMFFVY5YJvnL7AF5CRTPtAigSW1U887ASfBt6FDa7Qr1YdO5och.
      - ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA1yE26SMFFVY5YJvnL7AF5CRTPtAigSW1U887ASfBt6FDa7Qr1YdO5och.
      - option3="value3",option4="value4 flag4" ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA1yE26SMFFVY5YJvn:
      - option3="value3" ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABIwAAAQEA1yE26SMFFVY5YJvnL7AF5CRTPtAigSW1U887ASfl
```

LocalClient Additions

To follow up the recent additions in 0.9.8 of additional kwargs support, 0.9.9 also adds the capability to send kwargs into commands via a dict. This addition to the LocalClient api can be used like so:

```
import salt.client

client = salt.client.LocalClient('/etc/salt/master')

ret = client.cmd('*', 'cmd.run', ['ls -l'], kwarg={'cwd': '/etc'})
```

This update has been added to all cmd methods in the LocalClient class.

Better Self Salting

One problem faced with running Salt states, is that it has been difficult to manage the Salt minion via states, this is due to the fact that if the minion is called to restart while a state run is happening then the state run would be killed. 0.9.9 slightly changes the process scope of the state runs, so now when salt is executing states it can safely restart the salt-minion daemon.

In addition to daemonizing the state run, the apt module also daemonizes. This update makes it possible to cleanly update the salt-minion package on Debian/Ubuntu systems without leaving apt in an inconsistent state or killing the active minion process mid-execution.

Wildcards for SLS Modules

Now, when including sls modules in include statements or in the top file, shell globs can be used. This can greatly simplify listing matched sls modules in the top file and include statements:

```
base:
    '*':
    - files*
    - core*

include:
    users.dev.*
    apache.ser*
```

External Pillar

Since the pillar data is just, data, it does not need to come expressly from the pillar interface. The external pillar system allows for hooks to be added making it possible to extract pillar data from any arbitrary external interface. The external pillar interface is configured via the ext_pillar option. Currently interfaces exist to gather external pillar data via hiera or via a shell command that sends yaml data to the terminal:

```
ext_pillar:
   - cmd_yaml: cat /etc/salt/ext.yaml
   - hiera: /etc/hirea.yaml
```

The initial external pillar interfaces and extra interfaces can be added to the file salt/pillar.py, it is planned to add more external pillar interfaces. If the need arises a new module loader interface will be created in the future to manage external pillar interfaces.

Single State Executions

The new state.single function allows for single states to be cleanly executed. This is a great tool for setting up a small group of states on a system or for testing out the behavior of single states:

```
salt '*' state.single user.present name=wade uid=2000
```

The test interface functions here as well, so changes can also be tested against as:

```
salt '*' state.single user.present name=wade uid=2000 test=True
```

New Tests

A few exciting new test interfaces have been added, the minion swarm allows not only testing of larger loads, but also allows users to see how Salt behaves with large groups of minions without having to create a large deployment.

Minion Swarm

The minion swarm test system allows for large groups of minions to be tested against easily without requiring large numbers of servers or virtual machines. The minion swarm creates as many minions as a system can handle and roots them in the /tmp directory and connects them to a master.

The benefit here is that we were able to replicate issues that happen only when there are large numbers of minions. A number of elusive bugs which were causing stability issues in masters and minions have since been hunted down. Bugs that used to take careful watch by users over several days can now be reliably replicated in minutes, and fixed in minutes.

Using the swarm is easy, make sure a master is up for the swarm to connect to, and then use the minionswarm.py script in the tests directory to spin up as many minions as you want. Remember, this is a fork bomb, don't spin up more than your hardware can handle!

python minionswarm.py -m 20 --master salt-master

Shell Tests

The new Shell testing system allows us to test the behavior of commands executed from a high level. This allows for the high level testing of salt runners and commands like salt-key.

Client Tests

Tests have been added to test the aspects of the client APIs and ensure that the client calls work, and that they manage passed data, in a desirable way.

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Note: Due to a change in master to minion communication, 2014.1.0 minions are not compatible with older-version masters. Please upgrade masters first. More info on backwards-compatibility policy *here*, under the "Upgrading Salt" subheading.

release 2014-02-24

The 2014.1.0 release of Salt is a major release which not only increases stability but also brings new capabilities in virtualization, cloud integration, and more. This release brings a great focus on the expansion of testing making roughly double the coverage in the Salt tests, and comes with many new features.

2014.1.0 is the first release to follow the new date-based release naming system.

Major Features

Salt Cloud Merged into Salt

Salt Cloud is a tool for provisioning salted minions across various cloud providers. Prior to this release, Salt Cloud was a separate project but this marks its full integration with the Salt distribution. A Getting Started guide and additional documentation for Salt Cloud can be found *here*:

Google Compute Engine

Alongside Salt Cloud comes new support for the Google Compute Engine. Salt Stack can now deploy and control GCE virtual machines and the application stacks that they run.

For more information on Salt Stack and GCE, please see this blog post.

Documentation for Salt and GCE can be found here.

Salt Virt

Salt Virt is a cloud controller that supports virtual machine deployment, inspection, migration and integration with many aspects of Salt.

Salt Virt has undergone a major overhaul with this release and now supports many more features and includes a number of critical improvements.

Docker Integration

Salt now ships with states and an execution module to manage Docker containers.

Substantial Testing Expansion

Salt continues to increase its unit/regression test coverage. This release includes over 300 new tests.

BSD Package Management

BSD package management has been entirely rewritten. FreeBSD 9 and older now default to using pkg_add, while FreeBSD 10 and newer will use pkgng. FreeBSD 9 can be forced to use pkgng, however, by specifying the following option in the minion config file:

```
providers:
   pkg: pkgng
```

In addition, support for installing software from the ports tree has been added. See the documentation for the ports state and execution module for more information.

Network Management for Debian/Ubuntu

Initial support for management of network interfaces on Debian-based distros has been added. See the documentation for the network state and the debian_ip for more information.

IPv6 Support for iptables State/Module

The iptables state and module now have IPv6 support. A new parameter family has been added to the states and execution functions, to distinguish between IPv4 and IPv6. The default value for this parameter is ipv4, specifying ipv6 will use ip6tables to manage firewall rules.

GitFS Improvements

Several performance improvements have been made to the Git fileserver backend. Additionally, file states can now use any any SHA1 commit hash as a fileserver environment:

```
/etc/httpd/httpd.conf:
   file.managed:
     - source: salt://webserver/files/httpd.conf
     - saltenv: 45af879
```

This applies to the functions in the cp module as well:

```
salt '*' cp.get_file salt://readme.txt /tmp/readme.txt saltenv=45af879
```

MinionFS

This new fileserver backend allows files which have been pushed from the minion to the master (using cp.push) to be served up from the salt fileserver. The path for these files takes the following format:

```
salt://minion-id/path/to/file
```

minion—id is the id of the "source" minion, the one from which the files were pushed to the master. /path/to/file is the full path of the file.

The MinionFS Walkthrough contains a more thorough example of how to use this backend.

saltenv

To distinguish between fileserver environments and execution functions which deal with environment variables, fileserver environments are now specified using the saltenv parameter. env will continue to work, but is deprecated and will be removed in a future release.

Grains Caching

A caching layer has been added to the Grains system, which can help speed up minion startup. Disabled by default, it can be enabled by setting the minion config option grains_cache:

```
grains_cache: True
# Seconds before grains cache is considered to be stale.
grains_cache_expiration: 300
```

If set to True, the grains loader will read from/write to a msgpack-serialized file containing the grains data.

Additional command-line parameters have been added to salt-call, mainly for testing purposes:

- --skip-grains will completely bypass the grains loader when salt-call is invoked.
- --refresh-grains-cache will force the grains loader to bypass the grains cache and refresh the grains, writing a new grains cache file.

Improved Command Logging Control

When using the cmd module, either on the CLI or when developing Salt execution modules, a new keyword argument output_loglevel allows for greater control over how (or even if) the command and its output are logged. For example:

```
salt '*' cmd.run 'tail /var/log/messages' output_loglevel=debug
```

The package management modules (apt, yumpkg, etc.) have been updated to log the copious output generated from these commands at loglevel debug.

Note: To keep a command from being logged, output_loglevel=quiet can be used.

Prior to this release, this could be done using quiet=True. This argument is still supported, but will be removed in a future Salt release.

PagerDuty Support

Initial support for firing events via PagerDuty has been added. See the documentation for the pagerduty module.

Virtual Terminal

Sometimes the subprocess module is not good enough, and, in fact, not even askpass is. This virtual terminal is still in it's infant childhood, needs quite some love, and was originally created to replace askpass, but, while developing it, it immediately proved that it could do so much more. It's currently used by salt-cloud when bootstrapping salt on clouds which require the use of a password.

Proxy Minions

Initial basic support for Proxy Minions is in this release. Documentation can be found here.

Proxy minions are a developing feature in Salt that enables control of devices that cannot run a minion. Examples include network gear like switches and routers that run a proprietary OS but offer an API, or "dumb" devices that just don't have the horsepower or ability to handle a Python VM.

Proxy minions can be difficult to write, so a simple REST-based example proxy is included. A Python bottle-based webserver can be found at https://github.com/cro/salt-proxy-rest as an endpoint for this proxy.

This is an ALPHA-quality feature. There are a number of issues with it currently, mostly centering around process control, logging, and inability to work in a masterless configuration.

Additional Bugfixes (Release Candidate Period)

Below are many of the fixes that were implemented in salt during the release candidate phase.

- Fix mount.mounted leaving conflicting entries in fstab (issue 7079)
- Fix mysql returner serialization to use json (issue 9590)
- \bullet Fix ZMQError: Operation cannot be accomplished in current state errors (issue 6306)
- · Rbenv and ruby improvements

- Fix quoting issues with mysql port (issue 9568)
- Update mount module/state to support multiple swap partitions (issue 9520)
- Fix archive state to work with bsdtar
- · Clarify logs for minion ID caching
- Add numeric revision support to git state (issue 9718)
- Update master uri with master ip (issue 9694)
- Add comment to Debian mod_repo (issue 9923)
- Fix potential undefined loop variable in rabbitmq state (issue 8703)
- Fix for salt-virt runner to delete key on VM deletion
- Fix for salt-run -d to limit results to specific runner or function (issue 9975)
- Add tracebacks to jinja renderer when applicable (issue 10010)
- Fix parsing in monit module (issue 10041)
- Fix highstate output from syndic minions (issue 9732)
- Quiet logging when dealing with passwords/hashes (issue 10000)
- Fix for multiple remotes in git_pillar (issue 9932)
- Fix npm installed command (issue 10109)
- Add safeguards for utf8 errors in zcbuildout module
- Fix compound commands (issue 9746)
- · Add systemd notification when master is started
- · Many doc improvements

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release 2014-03-18

Version 2014.1.1 is another bugfix release for 2014.1.0. The changes include:

- Various doc fixes, including up-to-date Salt Cloud installation documentation.
- Renamed state.sls runner to state.orchestrate, to reduce confusion with the state.sls execution function
- Fix various bugs in the dig module (issue 10367)
- Add retry for query on certain EC2 status codes (issue 10154)
- Fix various bugs in mongodb_user state module (issue 10430)
- Fix permissions on ~/.salt_token (issue 10422)
- · Add PyObjects support
- Fix launchetl module crash with missing files
- Fix saltutil.find_job for Windows (issue 10581)
- Fix OS detection for OpenSolaris (issue 10601)
- Fix broken salt-ssh key_deploy
- Add support for multiline cron comments (issue 10721)

- Fix timezone module for Arch (issue 10789)
- Fix symlink support for file.recurse (issue 10809)
- Fix multi-master bugs (issue 10732 and issue 10969)
- Fix file.patch to error when source file is unavailable (issue 10380)
- Fix pkg to handle packages set as purge in pkg.installed (issue 10719)
- Add zmqversion grain
- Fix highstate summary for masterless minions (issue 10945)
- Fix saltutil.find_job for 2014.1 masters talking to 0.17 minions (issue 11020)
- Fix file.recurse states with trailing slashes in source (issue 11002)
- Fix pkg states to allow pkgname.x86_64 (issue 7306)
- Make iptables states set a default table for flush (issue 11037)
- Added iptables --reject-with after final iptables call in iptables states (issue:10757)
- Fix improper passing of "family" in iptables states (issue 10774)
- Fix traceback in iptables.insert states (issue 10988)
- Fix zombie processes (issue 10867 and others)
- Fix batch mode to obey --return settings (issue 9146)
- Fix localclient issue that was causing batch mode breakage (issue 11094, issue 10470, and others)
- Multiple salt-ssh fixes
- FreeBSD: look in /usr/local/etc/salt for configuration by default, if installed using pip --editable.
- Add a skip_suggestions parameter to pkg.installed states which allows pre-flight check to be skipped (issue 11106)
- Fixed tag-based gitfs fileserver environments regression (issue 10956)
- Yum: fix cache of available pkgs not cleared when repos are changed (issue 11001)
- Yum: fix for plugin-provided repositories (i.e. RHN/Spacewalk) (issue 11145)
- Fix regression in chocolatey.bootstrap (issue 10541)
- Fix fail on unknown target in jobs runner (issue 11151)
- Don't log errors for commands which are expected to sometimes exit with non-zero exit status (issue 11154, issue 11090)
- Fix test=True CLI override of config option (issue 10877)
- Log sysctl key listing at loglevel TRACE (issue 10931)

See also:

Legacy salt-cloud release docs

Salt Based Projects

A number of unofficial open source projects, based on Salt, or written to enhance Salt have been created.

25.1 Salt Sandbox

Created by Aaron Bull Schaefer, aka "elasticdog".

https://github.com/elasticdog/salt-sandbox

Salt Sandbox is a multi-VM Vagrant-based Salt development environment used for creating and testing new Salt state modules outside of your production environment. It's also a great way to learn firsthand about Salt and its remote execution capabilities.

Salt Sandbox will set up three separate virtual machines:

- salt.example.com the Salt master server
- minion1.example.com the first Salt minion machine
- minion2.example.com the second Salt minion machine

These VMs can be used in conjunction to segregate and test your modules based on node groups, top file environments, grain values, etc. You can even test modules on different Linux distributions or release versions to better match your production infrastructure.

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26.1 Is Salt open-core?

No. Salt is 100% committed to being open-source, including all of our APIs and the new 'Halite' web interface which was introduced in version 0.17.0. It is developed under the Apache 2.0 license, allowing it to be used in both open and proprietary projects.

26.2 What ports should I open on my firewall?

Minions need to be able to connect to the Master on TCP ports 4505 and 4506. Minions do not need any inbound ports open. More detailed information on firewall settings can be found *here*.

26.3 I'm seeing weird behavior (including but not limited to packages not installing their users properly)

This is often caused by SELinux. Try disabling SELinux or putting it in permissive mode and see if the weird behavior goes away.

26.4 My script runs every time I run a state.highstate. Why?

You are probably using cmd.run rather than cmd.wait. A cmd.wait state will only run when there has been a change in a state that it is watching.

A cmd.run state will run the corresponding command *every time* (unless it is prevented from running by the unless or onlyif arguments).

More details can be found in the docmentation for the cmd states.

26.5 When I run *test.ping*, why don't the Minions that aren't responding return anything? Returning False would be helpful.

When you run *test.ping* the Master tells Minions to run commands/functions, and listens for the return data, printing it to the screen when it is received. If it doesn't receive anything back, it doesn't have anything to display for that Minion.

There are a couple options for getting information on Minions that are not responding. One is to use the verbose (-v) option when you run salt commands, as it will display "Minion did not return" for any Minions which time out.

```
salt -v '*' pkg.install zsh
```

Another option is to use the manage.down runner:

```
salt-run manage.down
```

Also, if the Master is under heavy load, it is possible that the CLI will exit without displaying return data for all targeted Minions. However, this doesn't mean that the Minions did not return; this only means that the Salt CLI timed out waiting for a response. Minions will still send their return data back to the Master once the job completes. If any expected Minions are missing from the CLI output, the jobs.list_jobs runner can be used to show the job IDs of the jobs that have been run, and the jobs.lookup_jid runner can be used to get the return data for that job.

```
salt-run jobs.list_jobs
salt-run jobs.lookup_jid 20130916125524463507
```

If you find that you are often missing Minion return data on the CLI, only to find it with the jobs runners, then this may be a sign that the worker_threads value may need to be increased in the master config file. Additionally, running your Salt CLI commands with the -t option will make Salt wait longer for the return data before the CLI command exits. For instance, the below command will wait up to 60 seconds for the Minions to return:

```
salt -t 60 '*' test.ping
```

26.6 How does Salt determine the Minion's id?

If the Minion id is not configured explicitly (using the id parameter), Salt will determine the id based on the hostname. Exactly how this is determined varies a little between operating systems and is described in detail *here*.

26.7 I'm trying to manage packages/services but I get an error saying that the state is not available. Why?

Salt detects the Minion's operating system and assigns the correct package or service management module based on what is detected. However, for certain custom spins and OS derivatives this detection fails. In cases like this, an issue should be opened on our tracker, with the following information:

1. The output of the following command:

```
salt <minion_id> grains.items | grep os
```

2. The contents of /etc/lsb-release, if present on the Minion.

26.8 I'm using gitfs and my custom modules/states/etc are not syncing. Why?

In versions of Salt 0.16.3 or older, there is a bug in *gitfs* which can affect the syncing of custom types. Upgrading to 0.16.4 or newer will fix this.

26.9 Why aren't my custom modules/states/etc. available on my Minions?

Custom modules are only synced to Minions when state.highstate, saltutil.sync_modules, or saltutil.sync_all is run. Similarly, custom states are only synced to Minions when state.highstate, saltutil.sync states, or saltutil.sync all is run.

Other custom types (renderers, outputters, etc.) have similar behavior, see the documentation for the saltutil module for more information.

26.10 Module x isn't available, even though the shell command it uses is installed. Why?

This is most likely a PATH issue. Did you custom-compile the software which the module requires? RHEL/CentOS/etc. in particular override the root user's path in /etc/init.d/functions, setting it to /sbin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin, making software installed into /usr/local/bin unavailable to Salt when the Minion is started using the initscript. In version 2014.1.0, Salt will have a better solution for these sort of PATH-related issues, but recompiling the software to install it into a location within the PATH should resolve the issue in the meantime. Alternatively, you can create a symbolic link within the PATH using a file.symlink state.

```
/usr/bin/foo:
   file.symlink:
        - target: /usr/local/bin/foo
```

26.11 Can I run different versions of Salt on my Master and Minion?

This depends on the versions. In general, it is recommended that Master and Minion versions match.

When upgrading Salt, the master(s) should always be upgraded first. Backwards compatibility for minions running newer versions of salt than their masters is not guaranteed.

Whenever possible, backwards compatibility between new masters and old minions will be preserved. Generally, the only exception to this policy is in case of a security vulnerability.

Recent examples of backwards compatibility breakage include the 0.17.1 release (where all backwards compatibility was broken due to a security fix), and the 2014.1.0 release (which retained compatibility between 2014.1.0 masters and 0.17 minions, but broke compatibility for 2014.1.0 minions and older masters).

26.12 Does Salt support backing up managed files?

Yes. Salt provides an easy to use addition to your file.managed states that allow you to back up files via *backup_mode*, backup_mode can be configured on a per state basis, or in the minion config (note that if set in the minion config this would simply be the default method to use, you still need to specify that the file should be backed up!).

Glossary

Auto-Order The evaluation of states in the order that they are defined in a SLS file. *See also: ordering*.

Bootstrap A stand-alone Salt project which can download and install a Salt master and/or a Salt minion onto a host. *See also: salt-bootstrap <https://github.com/saltstack/salt-bootstrap>*.

Compound Matcher A combination of many target definitions that can be combined with boolean operators. *See also: targeting.*

EAuth Shorthand for 'external authentication'. A system for calling to a system outside of Salt in order to authenticate users and determine if they are allowed to issue particular commands to Salt. *See also: external auth.*

Environment A directory tree containing state files which can be applied to minions. See also: top file.

Execution Module A Python module that contains execution functions which directly perform various systemmanagement tasks on a server. Salt ships with a number of execution modules but users can also write their own execution modules to perform specialized tasks. See also: the list of execution modules.

Execution Function A Python function inside an Execution Module that may take arguments and performs specific system-management tasks. *See also: the list of execution modules*.

External Job Cache An external data-store that can archive information about jobs that have been run. A default returner. *See also*: ext_job_cache, *the list of returners*.

Event A notice emitted onto an event bus. Events are often driven by requests for actions to occur on a minion or master and the results of those actions. *See also: Salt Reactor*.

File Server A local or remote location for storing both Salt-specific files such as top files or SLS files as well as files that can be distributed to minions, such as system configuration files. *See also: Salt's file server*.

Grain A key-value pair which contains a fact about a system, such as its hostname, network addresses. *See also:* targeting with grains.

Halite The Salt GUI. See also: Halite.

Jinja A templating language which allows variables and simple logic to be dynamically inserted into static text files when they are rendered. *See also*: Salt's Jinja documentation.

Job The complete set of tasks to be performed by the execution of a Salt command are a single job. *See also*: jobs runner.

Job ID A unique identifier to represent a given *job*.

Highdata The data structure in a SLS file the represents a set of state declarations. See also: state layers.

Highstate The collection of states to be applied to a system. *See also: state layers*.

Low State The collection of processed states after requisites and order are evaluated. *See also: state layers.*

Master A central Salt daemon which from which commands can be issued to listening minions.

Masterless A minion which does not require a Salt master to operate. All configuration is local. *See also*: file_client.

Mine A facility to collect arbitrary data from minions and store that data on the master. This data is then available to all other minions. [Sometimes referred to as Salt Mine.] *See also: Salt Mine*.

Minion A server running a Salt minion daemon which can listen to commands from a master and perform the requested tasks. Generally, minions are servers which are to be controlled using Salt.

Minion ID A globally unique identifier for a minion. *See also*: id.

Multi-Master The ability for a minion to be actively connected to multiple Salt masters at the same time in high-availability environments.

Node Group A pre-defined group of minions declared in the master configuration file. *See also: targeting*.

Outputter A formatter for defining the characteristics of output data from a Salt command. *See also: list of output-ters*.

Overstate A system by which a Master can issue function calls to minions in a deterministic order. *See also: overstate.*

Peer Communication The ability for minions to communicate directly with other minions instead of brokering commands through the Salt master. *See also: peer communication*.

Pillar A simple key-value store for user-defined data to be made available to a minion. Often used to store and distribute sensitive data to minions. *See also: Pillar, list of Pillar modules*.

Proxy Minion A minion which can control devices that are unable to run a Salt minion locally, such as routers and switches.

PyDSL A Pythonic domain-specific-language used as a Salt renderer. PyDSL can be used in cases where adding pure Python into SLS files is beneficial. *See also*: PyDSL.

Reactor An interface for listening to events and defining actions that Salt should taken upon receipt of given events. *See also: Reactor.*

Render Pipe Allows SLS files to be rendered by multiple renderers, with each renderer receiving the output of the previous. *See also: composing renderers*.

Renderer Responsible for translating a given data serialization format such as YAML or JSON into a Python data structure that can be consumed by Salt. *See also: list of renderers*.

Returner Allows for the results of a Salt command to be sent to a given data-store such as a database or log file for archival. *See also: list of returners*.

Roster A flat-file list of target hosts. (Currently only used by salt-ssh.)

Runner Module A module containing a set of runner functions. See also: list of runner modules.

Runner Function A function which is is called by the **salt-run** command and executes on the master instead of on a minion. *See also: Runner Module*.

Salt Cloud A suite of tools used to create and deploy systems on many hosted cloud providers. See also: salt-cloud.

Salt SSH A configuration management and remote orchestration system that does not require that any software besides SSH be installed on systems to be controlled.

Salt Thin A subset of the normal Salt distribution that does not include any transport routines. A Salt Thin bundle can be dropped onto a host and used directly without any requirement that the host be connected to a network. Used by Salt SSH. *See also*: thin runner.

Salt Virt Used to manage the creation and deployment of virtual machines onto a set of host machines. Often used to create and deploy private clouds. *See also*: virt runner.

SLS Module Contains a set of *state declarations*.

State Declaration A data structure which contains a unique ID and describes one or more states of a system such as ensuring that a package is installed or a user is defined. *See also: highstate structure*.

State Module A module which contains a set of state functions. See also: list of state modules.

State Function A function contained inside a *state module* which can manages the application of a particular state to a system. State functions frequently call out to one or more *execution modules* to perform a given task.

State Run The application of a set of states on a set of systems.

State Compiler Translates highdata into lowdata.

Syndic A forwarder which can relay messages between tiered masters. **See also**: *Syndic*.

Target Minion(s) to which a given salt command will apply. *See also: targeting*.

Top File Determines which SLS files should be applied to various systems and organizes those groups of systems into environments. *See also: top file, list of master top modules.*

Worker A master process which can send notices and receive replies from minions. See also: worker_threads.

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