Vagrant

Development Environments Made Easy

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Introduction



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Obligatory statement

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Credentials

Using Vagrant since 1.0 (now 1.6.5) when it was just a Ruby gem (now a full program)

Agenda

- ✓ Introduction
- ✓ What is Vagrant?
- ✓ Installation
- ✓ Basic configuration
- √ Advanced usage

What is Vagrant?



Vagrant makes development environments easy.

What does Vagrant do?

Creates and configures lightweight, reproducible, and portable development environments.

The value of Vagrant

vagrant up

A wild development environment appears!

Bringing machine 'default' up with 'virtualbox' provider...

==> default: Importing base box 'precise64'...
==> default: Setting the name of the VM: lanager_default_1400390353743_74044

==> default: Preparing network interfaces based on configuration...

==> default: Forwarding ports...

==> default: Booting VM...

==> default: Waiting for machine to boot. This may take a few minutes...

==> default: Machine booted and ready!

That's it.

- ✓ No more "works on my machine"
- ✓ No more rebuilding a shared dev server
- ✓ Everyone gets their own versioned dev environment

Under the hood

- ✓ Ruby
- √ Choice of virtualization
 - √ Virtualbox
 - ✓ VMware, if you pay
 - ✓ Many others via plugins

Installing Vagrant

- √ vagrantup.com
- ✓ Native packages
- ✓ Don't install via Rubygems

Vagrantfile is Ruby

```
Vagrant.configure("2") do lconfigl config.vm.guest = :linux config.vm.box = "precise64" config.vm.box_url = "http://files.vagrantup.com/precise64.box" config.vm.network :forwarded_port, guest: 80, host: 8080 config.vm.network :forwarded_port, guest: 3306, host: 3307 config.vm.provision :shell, :inline => $script end
```

Breakdown

✓ Declarative configuration

Declaration

Vagrant.configure("2") do lconfiglend

Guest nature

config.vm.guest = :linux

1.6+ supports : windows, too.

Box identity

```
config.vm.box = "precise64"
config.vm.box_url = "http://files.vagrantup.com/precise64.box"
```

Caching

Boxes are

- ✓ cached
- ✓ copied on use

Network settings

```
config.vm.network :forwarded_port, guest: 80, host: 8080 config.vm.network :forwarded_port, guest: 3306, host: 3307
```

```
# Default for :linux
```

config.vm.network :forwarded_port, guest: 22, host: 2222

Provisioning

config.vm.provision :shell, :inline => \$script

More later...

Any Ruby is valid in config

```
$script = <<SCRIPT
if [ ! -f "$HOME/.provisioned" ]; then
  # Bind MySQL to all of the box's NICs to enable external access
sed -i 's/bind-address/;bind-address/g' /etc/mysql/my.cnf
sudo service mysql restart
fi
SCRIPT</pre>
```

Advanced Usage

- ✓ Multi-VM
- ✓ Provisioning with configuration management systems (Chef, Puppet, etc.)
- ✓ Plugins
- ✓ Real world usage

Multiple machines, too!

```
Vagrant.configure("2") do lconfigl
 config.vm.define "web" do lwebl
  web.vm.box = "apache"
 end
 config.vm.define "db" do ldbl
  db.vm.box = "mysql"
 end
end
```

Provisioning

Base installation -> Everything

Shell scripts, inline or in a file

config.vm.provision :shell, :inline => \$script

Config Management with Chef or Puppet

Plugins

General helpers:

- √ vagrant-cachier
- √ vagrant-pristine
- ✓ vagrant-vbguest
- ✓ vagrant-rdp

Plugins

Useful for Chef provisioning:

- √ vagrant-omnibus
- ✓ vagrant-berkshelf
- √ vagrant-ohai

Providers

Run Vagrant VMs anywhere!

aws azure digitalocean joyent
kvm libvirt lxc openstack parallels
rackspace softlayer vsphere

Usage in the real world

- √ Lanager
- **√** Gittip

Resources

✓ <u>Vagrant docs</u>

This talk is open source

https://github.com/colindean/talks

Go try it out

vagrantup.com

Thanks

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