

QUICK LOOK

	Ansible	SaltStack	Chef	Puppet
Terminology	<u>Directive</u> : Task <u>Script</u> : Playbook <u>Master</u> : Control Machine <u>Children</u> : Hosts	<u>Directive</u> : State <u>Script</u> : SLS Formula (SLS = <u>Sa</u> Lt <u>St</u> ate) <u>Master</u> : Master <u>Children</u> : Minions	<u>Directive</u> : Resource <u>Script</u> : Recipe (cookbook plural) <u>Master</u> : Server <u>Children</u> : Clients	<u>Directive</u> : Resource <u>Script</u> : Manifest <u>Master</u> : Master <u>Children</u> : Agents
Execution Order	Sequential	Sequential (since 0.17)	Sequential	Random, requires explicit ordering
Directive Language	YAML with Jinja2 templating	YAML with Jinja2 templating	Ruby DSL	Custom
Bootstrap Child Nodes	Not needed	Required (unless using salt-ssh)	Required	Required
Remote Execution	Built-in, easy	Built-in, easy	knife, challenging	mcollective, challenging