

# Hitachi Storage Modules for Red Hat Ansible v2.2

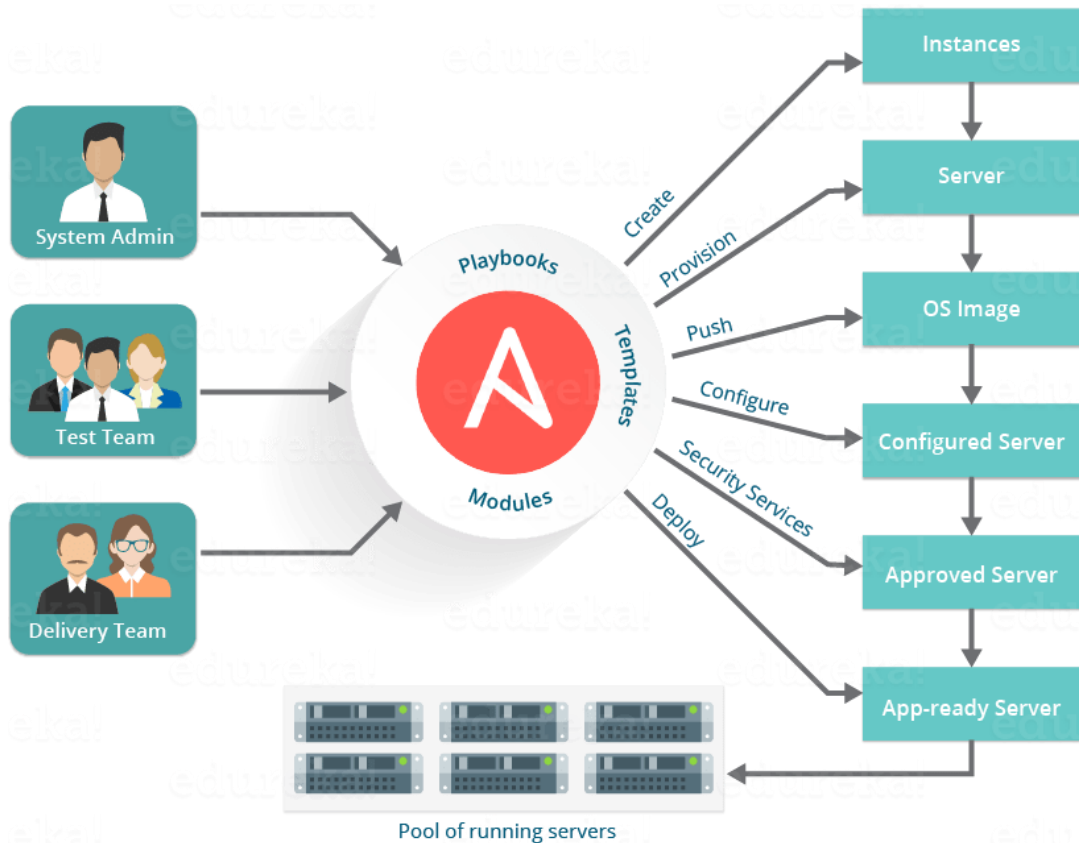
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# The Atypical Ansible Usage

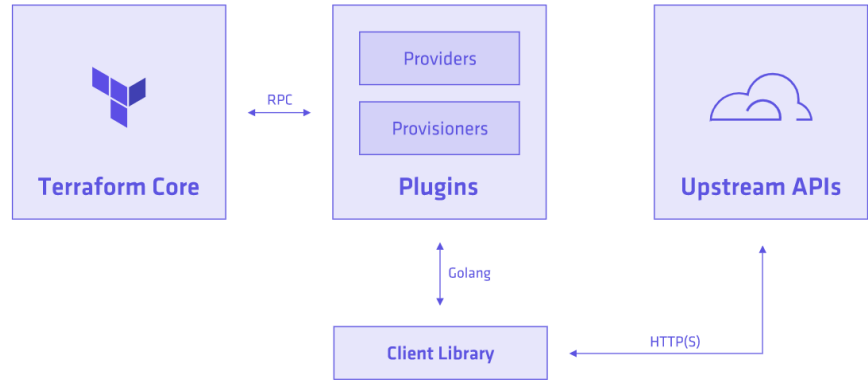
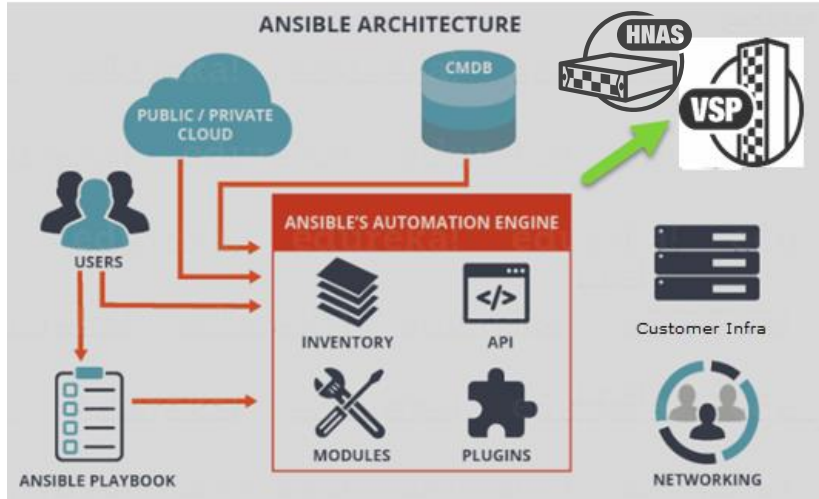


Storage anyone ?



# Ansible and Terraform

## Infrastructure as Code



- Customer's Desired Outcome:

- Application configuration and infrastructure automation pipeline
  - **Remove friction, go fast and reliably** - Use infrastructure as code (IAC) (declarative)
- Include VSP storage data services as part of their DevOps / IAC initiatives for a variety of apps, database and virtualization ecosystems

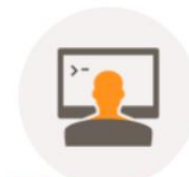
# Target Audience

- Target audience is general administrators and DevOps who want a level of repeatable management automation over storage resources/services for their app services.
  - E.g. DevOps Admin need to provision storage resources to apps team for their staging environment on repeatable basis
  - Wants to give copy of prod DB to 'test'
- Secondary Audience is traditional ops/storage admins (They just like ansible and a future proof skillset as IT teams transition to 'cloud team/cloud ops' )

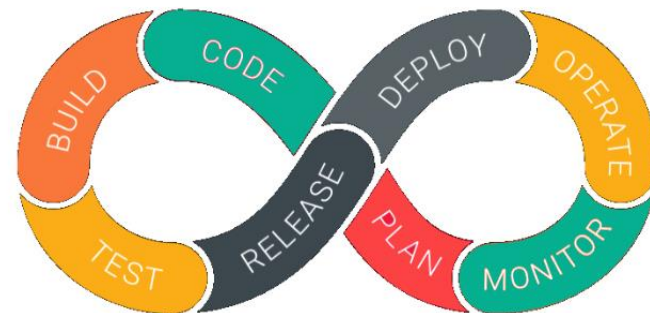
## What is DevOps?



Developers & Testers



IT Operations



Familiar quick access to storage data services

# Ansible Integration Options with Hitachi

## Ansible Modules for VSP

- Cover key storage resources and data services
- Certified ansible collection with enterprise subscription \*
- Open source community version \*\*

## Ops Center Automator

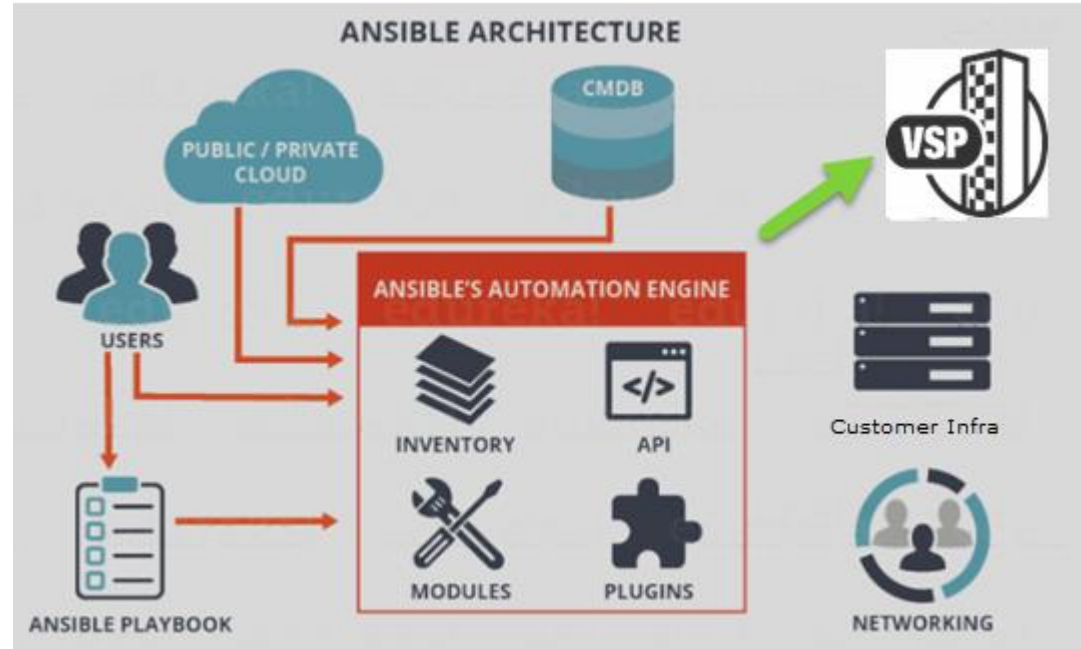
- Any service integration
- End to end drag-drop and scriptable workflows callable from Ansible
- RBAC capabilities of Ops Center Suite
- Datacenter Awareness

## Automator Blueprints, Catalogs and Ansible

- Calling ansible playbooks as one component of a larger end to end “deployment as a service”

# Ansible Modules & Playbooks for Hitachi Storage

- Provide Ansible Modules collection which automates a subset of storage resources and data services specific to infrastructure automation/DevOps persona
- Covering key aspects including LUN, Hostgroup and Storage System
  - Simple rpm install (Linux)
- Follows Key Ansible principles – e.g. idempotent
- Community/Enterprise edition

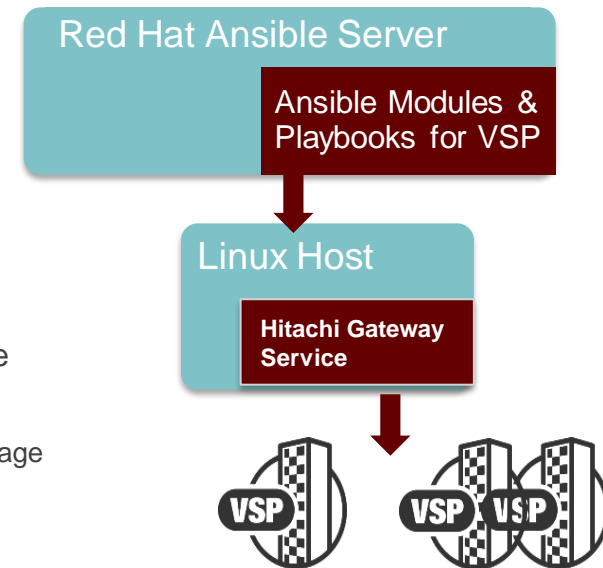


**NEW v2.x GA in July 2021**



# Modules – Hitachi VSP (hv)

- **hv\_lun & hv\_lun\_facts:**
  - Manages LUNs, provides LUN information on Hitachi storage systems
- **hv\_hg & hv\_hg\_facts:**
  - Manages host groups, returns hostgroup information
- **hv\_storagesystem & hv\_storagesystem\_facts :**
  - Registers & provides information on storage systems listed in the storage.json file
- **hv\_troubleshooting\_facts:** This module provides log collecting scripts for the Hitachi Storage Management Server and optional Hitachi Gateway Server



\* Requirements: Hitachi Gateway Service requires 16GB Mem, 2 vCPU Linux Instance;

\* Our Ansible Modules collection can be loaded onto any server instance



# Out-of-box Sample Playbooks

1. add\_storagesystems.yml
2. get\_storagesystem.yml
3. create\_and\_map\_luns.yml
4. get\_lun\_hex.yml
5. get\_lun.yml
6. delete\_lun.yml
7. find\_lun\_by\_naa.yml
8. get\_all\_luns.yml
9. clone\_lun\_in\_dp.yml
10. create\_lun\_parity.yml
11. create\_lun.yml
12. create\_multi\_luns\_with\_count.yml
13. create\_multi\_luns.yml
14. expand\_lun.yml
15. create\_hg.yml
16. get\_all\_hg\_query\_luns.yml
17. delete\_hg.yml
18. add\_lun\_path\_hg.yml
19. delete\_lun\_path\_hg.yml
20. get\_hg.yml
21. get\_support\_logs.yml
22. create\_cmd\_devs.yml

# 3 Slide Demo

# Typical Playbook

- DevOps wants two new LUNs added to their Apps Service/Server
- Variables Section: Are specified or can be passed in variables
- Playbook has two tasks
  - 1<sup>st</sup> task creates two luns
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> task maps those luns to server hostgroup
    - Result output from 1st task is used by second task
- Same Playbook, updated sizing

```
name: Create new LUNs and map to hostgroup
hosts: localhost
collections:
  - hitachi.storage
gather facts: false
vars:
  # - name: Testluns
  - pool_id: 2
  - size: 0.8GB
  - storage_serial: 123456
  - host_group_name: xyz
  - count: 2
  - ports:
    - CL1-A
tasks:
  - hv_lun:
      state: present
      storage_serial: '{{ storage_serial }}'
      data:
        storage_pool:
          id: '{{ pool_id }}'
          size: '{{ size | default(omit) }}'
      with_sequence: end={{count}} start=1
      # with_items: '{{ luns }}'
      register: output
      - debug: var=output

  - hv_hg:
      state: '{{ state | default(omit) }}'
      storage_serial: '{{ storage_serial }}'
      data:
        state: present
        name: '{{ host_group_name }}'
        ports: '{{ ports | default(omit) }}'
        luns: '{{ [item.lun.Lun | default(omit) ] }}'
      with_items:
        - '{{ output.results }}'
      register: response
      - debug: var=response
```

# Update LUN Size

```
update_lun.yml
1  - name: Update LUN
2    hosts: localhost
3    collections:
4      - hitachi.storage
4    gather_facts: false
5    vars:
6      - size: 0.8GB
7      - storage_serial: 30081
8      - name: sql_lun_db_1
9      # - lun: 00:fe:0a
10     # - lun: 65034
11     # - lun: naa.60060e8008758100005075810000fe0a
12     # - lun: {{ app_server_luns }}
13     - cap_saving:
14       - compression
15       - deduplication
16    tasks:
17     - hv_lun:
18       state: present
19       storage_serial: '{{ storage_serial }}'
20       data:
21         storage_pool:
22           id: '{{ pool_id | default(None) }}'
23           name: '{{ name | default(None) }}'
24           size: '{{ size | default(None) }}'
25           lun: '{{ lun | default(None) }}'
26           cap_saving: '{{ cap_saving | default(None) }}'
27     register: result
```

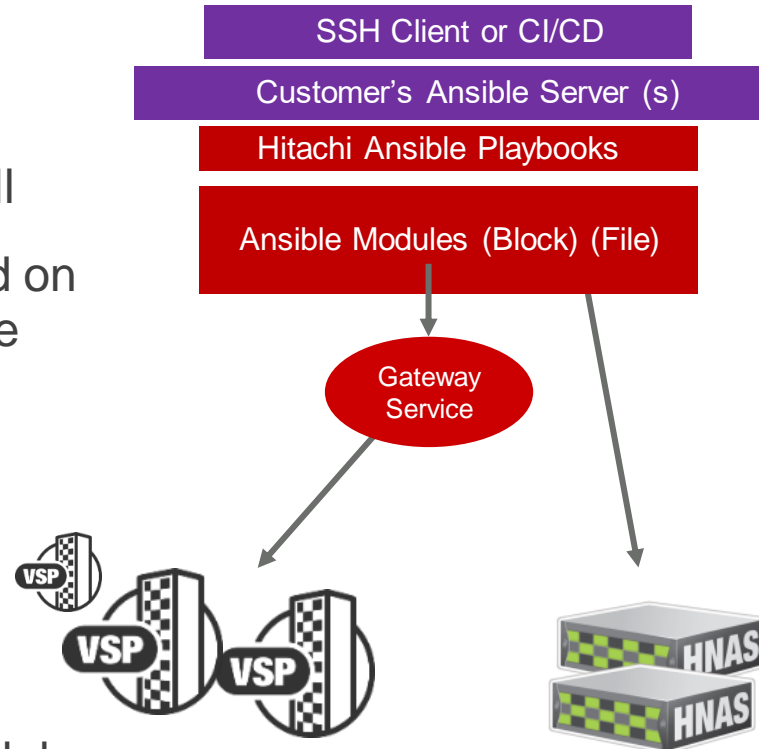
# Onboarding Storage Systems to Ansible

```
[root@hspai block]# more storage.json
{
  "version": "02.0.0",
  "vCenterIP": "10.76.46.122",
  "vCenterVMName": "HSP_Ansible_ISM",
  "vCenterVMHostIpAddress": "10.76.46.29",
  "vCenterCluster": "ClusterA",
  "hitachiAPIGatewayService": "10.76.46.190",

  "sanStorageSystems": [
    {
      "useOutOfBandConnection": "false",
      "comment": "this useOutOfBandConnection is optional and overwrites the top level useOutOfBandConnection"
    },
    {
      "serialNumber": 30081,
      "svpIP": "172.25.47.110",
      "poolId": 2,
      "comment3": "poolId is only required to create command devices",
      "key": "10855bbf2f2de3d2c41a3bbe15e15dc2d994884ec"
    },
    {
      "useOutOfBandConnection": "true",
      "serialNumber": 30595,
      "svpIP": "172.25.47.112",
      "poolId": 2,
      "username": "SuperAdm",
      "key": "b2e86f45f0143ee9fa20e2cf85e8bfc643379f1b52370682e57e7b5703772af0bad30d6a"
    }
  ],
}
```

# Hitachi Storage Modules for Red Hat Ansible

- Deployment Experience
  - Collection package which installs ansible modules, playbooks
  - Gateway service is scripted install
  - Ansible modules can be deployed on Ansible Server or gateway service
  - Communicates to VSP over FC mgmt. path
- Support
  - All VSP platforms
  - NAS team provides separate modules



# Ops Center Automator and Ansible



# Automator Services and Ansible examples

Service Builder Edit Allocate Like Volumes with Configuration Manager 02.11.00

General **Property** **Flow** Close Save Debug Release Actions

Released Plug-In Developing Plug-In Service

Java

Filter: "Java" Clear Save

Sort By: Name

- JavaScript Plug-In
- JavaScript Plug-In for Configuration Manager REST API

### Allocate Like Volumes with Configuration Manager

Allocate Like Volumes with Configuration Manager >

```
graph TD; ManageCM[ManageCM Session] --> main[main]; ManageCM --> KeepSession[KeepSession]; main --> DeleteSession[DeleteSession]; DeleteSession --> Error[Error if Main Finis...]; Error --> Python[Python Plug-In]; JS[JavaScript Plug-In to...];
```

# Example Playbook with Automator Service

```
## Submit Task ##
- name: Submit My Request Service in Automator
  automation_submit_service:
    host: "{{had_host}}"
    port: "{{had_port}}"
    ssl: "{{had_ssl}}"
    validate_certs: "{{had_validate_certs}}"
    user: "{{had_user}}"
    password: "{{had_password}}"
    service_name: "Allocate Like Volumes with Configuration Manager"
    service_group: "Analytics Service Group"
    service_parameters:
      SourceVolume: "{{ldevId\:144,\label\:\"William\",poolId\:2,byteFormatCapacity\:\"100.00 GiB\"}"
      CapacityInMiB: "102400"
    task_name: "Ansible - Online Volume Create{{ range(10000, 100000) | random }}"
    task_description: "Task from my playbook"
    task_wait: "{{had_task_wait}}"
    task_timeout: "{{had_task_timeout}}"
    wait_interval: "{{had_wait_interval}}"
  register: submit_had_task

## Get Task Detail Info ##
- name: Get Task Detail Info
  automation_task_detail_info:
    host: "{{had_host}}"
    port: "{{had_port}}"
    ssl: "{{had_ssl}}"
    validate_certs: "{{had_validate_certs}}"
    user: "{{had_user}}"
    password: "{{had_password}}"
    task_id: "{{submit_had_task.outputs.task.instanceID}}"
    task_wait: "{{had_task_wait}}"
    task_timeout: "{{had_task_timeout}}"
    wait_interval: "{{had_wait_interval}}"
```

# Timelines and Packaging for Storage Modules

# Update on timelines for Ansible Initiative from Hitachi

## Alpha-BETA Preview Program

Citigroup will continue with participation in tech preview program.

## General Available v2.2 Full Release – v2.2

GA offering with initial set of modules

## General Available Full Release – v2.3

GA offering with RH certified modules, additional GTM activities, Subscription packaging

2020

Q2  
CY21

Q3  
CY20

Q4  
CY20

## General Available – Restricted Release (L1)

GA offering – Limited customers, defacto community version

# Ops Center Automator and Ansible – Additional Slides

# What about Ops Center and Ansible Modules

- Ansible Storage Modules and Ops Center Automator target different personas and use cases
  - Ansible Storage Modules are natively idempotent and tailored for DevOps while Automator focused on “Storage/Infra admin
- You could view Ops Center Automator at a higher catalog service layer while Ansible Modules are at lower configuration and infrastructure as code layer.
- Two scenarios
  - Ops Center Automator has an extension to allow services to be called from Ansible if required
  - A customer could use Storage modules and Automator together effectively as part of “deployment as a service”

# Ops Center Automator as the catalog service

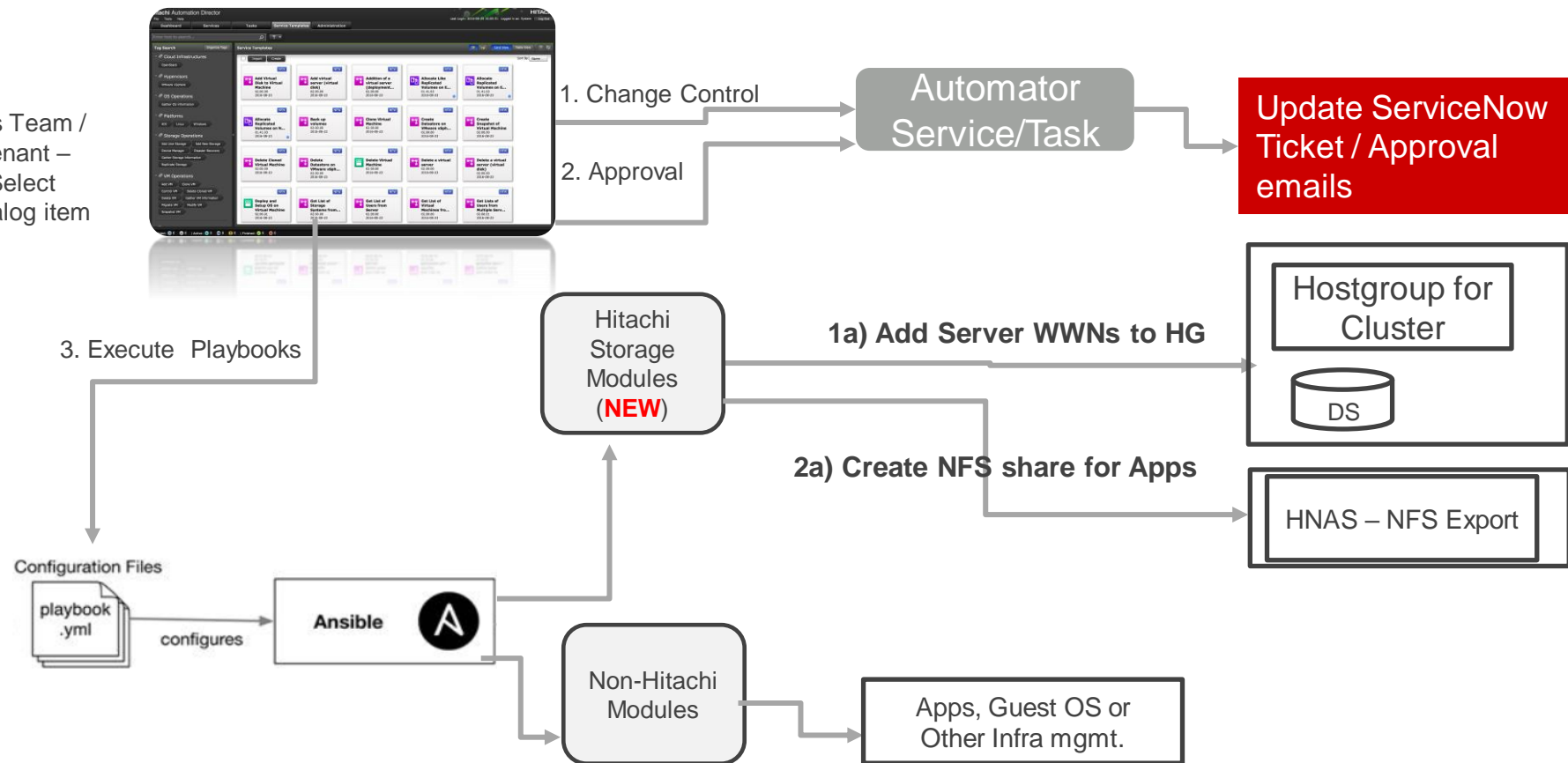
- Infrastructure and cloud teams need “Deployment as a service”
  - Wrap Infrastructure as code (or templates) with orchestration (approvals, manual interactions, other systems)
  - Track and manage provisioned environments
  - Publish orchestrations into a service catalog
  - Cost tracking and workload placement guidance
- Ops Center Automator can extend IAC tasks handled by Ansible into full “deployment as a service” catalog service.



# New in Q3 – Global Automation Services can enable Automator to call playbooks directly – “Deployment as a service”

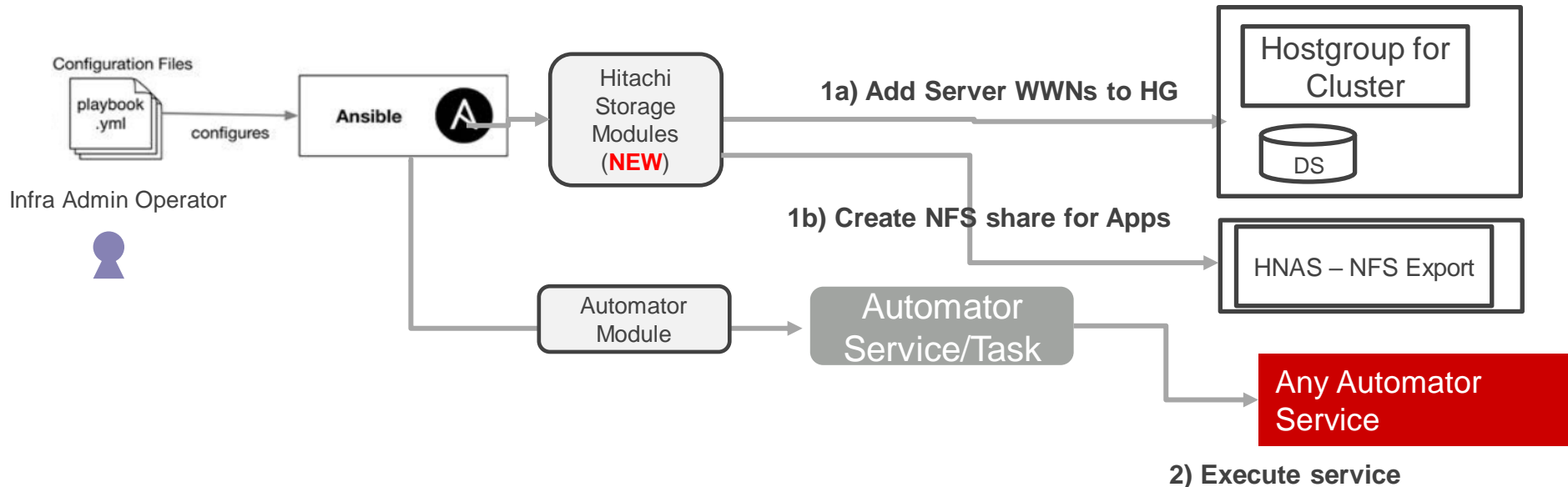


Ops Team /  
Tenant –  
Select  
Catalog item



# Example Scenario with 10.2

- Ops is adding new server into Cluster + needs to enable storage access (lun mapping) for existing volumes and 2) create NFS export for apps team. 3) update CMDB (e.g ServiceNow) for change process control
- Run playbook to call respective modules in hv and automator modules

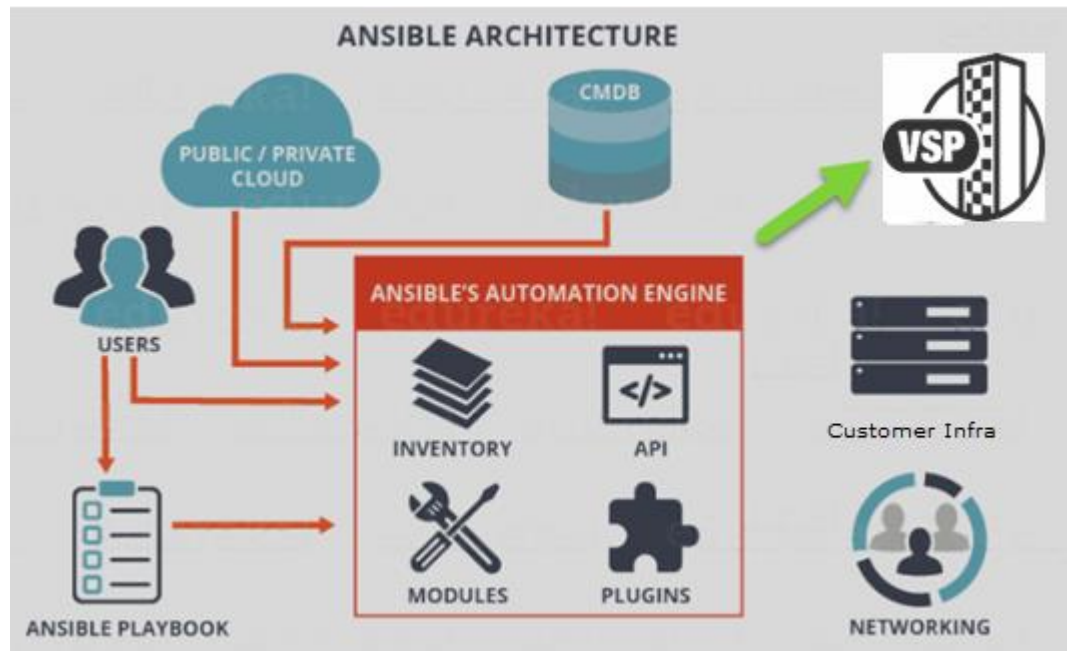


**2) Execute service**

# Q3: Offering Overview: Build and Deliver Ansible Modules & Playbooks for Hitachi VSP Storage

- Provide Ansible Modules which automates a subset of storage resources and data services specific to infrastructure automation persona

```
name: Unpresent LUN / Remove LUN Paths
hosts: localhost
gather_facts: false
vars:
  - host_group_name: test-ansible-hg-1
  - luns:
    - 800
    - 801
  - storage_serial: 12345
  - state: absent
tasks:
  - hv_hg:
    state: present
    storage_serial: '{{ storage_serial }}'
    data:
      state: '{{ state | default(omit) }}'
      host_group_name: '{{ host_group_name }}'
      ports: '{{ ports | default(omit) }}'
      luns: '{{ luns }}'
    register: result
```



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# Ansible and DevOps – Background Information

# Apps and Infrastructure Environment

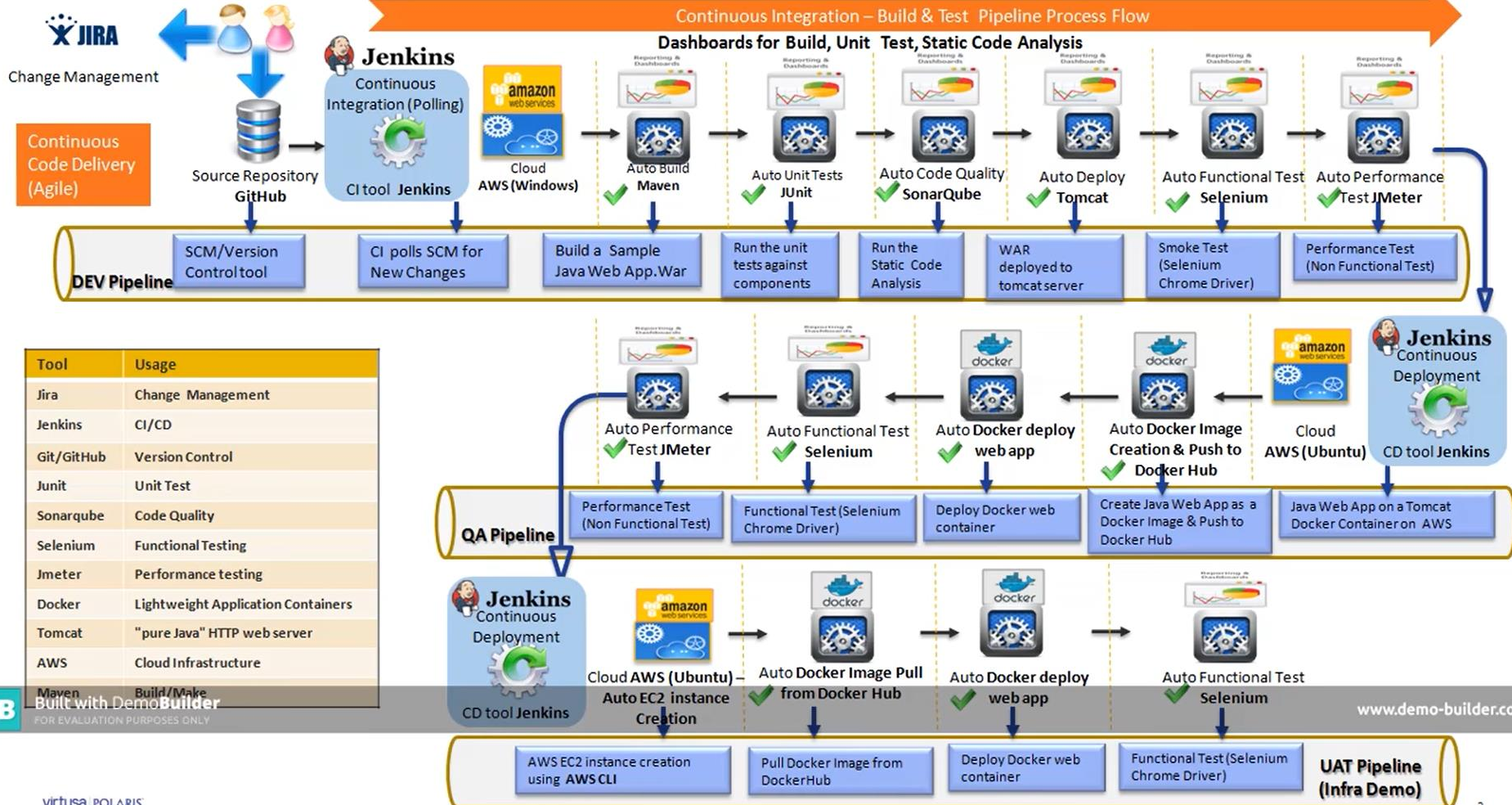
- What typically happens to get developers code running
  - Access Infrastructure (i.e Compute, Network and Storage)
  - Build Server Config and Configure Middleware
  - Deploy Application code and database schema updates from Git
  - Test with masked Copies of Production data
  - Test with External Dependencies (Mimic external services)
  - Management – Performance, Availability and UX Monitoring
- Where does it run
  - Servers, VMs, public clouds, Kubernetes clouds, SaaS
- Desire to move Traditional Operations -> Modern Operations

# Why Automate – Infrastructure as code goals

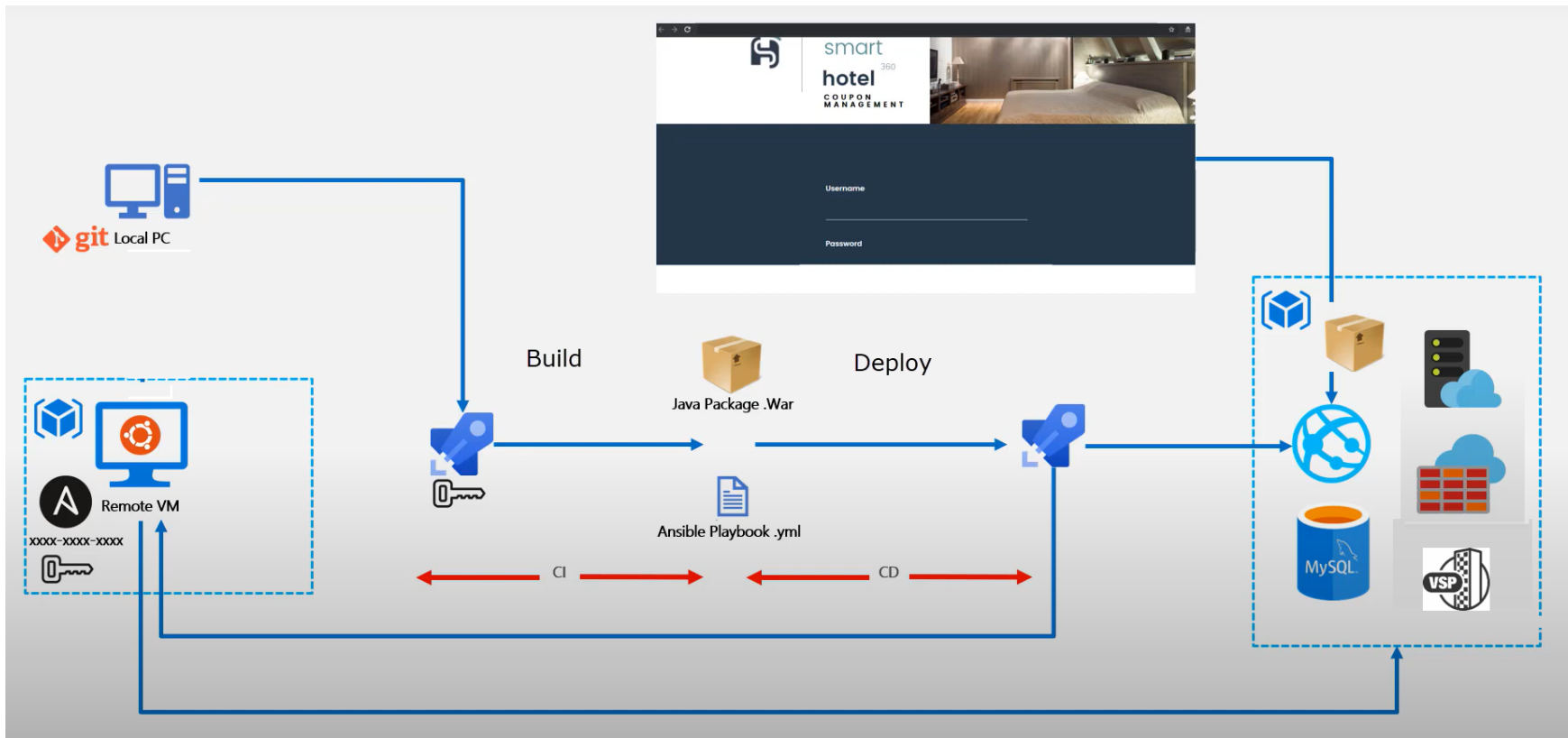
- Consistency
  - Serialize Tribal Knowledge and Operational Intuition into code
- Resilience
- Repeatability
- No Friction, Go Fast
  - Reduce time to completion, Get infra tasks done faster



# CI/CD Automated Build/Test/Deployment Pipeline – OpenSource Tools



# Example with Ansible and CI/CD



# Additional Slides

```
[root@hspai block]# ./ap get_hg_cluster.yml
[WARNING]: provided hosts list is empty, only localhost is available.

PLAY [Get Hostgroup Info] *****

TASK [hv_hg_facts] *****
ok: [localhost]

TASK [debug] *****
ok: [localhost] => {
  "result": {
    "changed": false,
    "failed": false,
    "hostGroups": [
      {
        "HgName": "ucp2k-c1-b3b4_c2-b1b2",
        "HostMode": "LINUX",
        "HostModeOptions": [],
        "HostgroupID": 12,
        "Port": "CL1-A",
        "ResourceGroupId": 0,
        "WWNS": [],
        "hostModeOptions": null
      },
      {
        "HgName": "ucp2k-c1-b3b4_c2-b1b2",
        "HostMode": "VMWARE_EXTENSION",
        "HostModeOptions": [
          63,
          114
        ],
        "HostgroupID": 1,
        "Port": "CL5-A",
        "ResourceGroupId": 0,
        "WWNS": [
          "10000090FAD690FE",
          "10000090FAD6D1C2",
          "10000090FAD690FF",
          "10000090FAD6D1C3",
          "10000090FAD695EC",
          "10000090FAD6D180",
          "10000090FAD695ED",
          "10000090FAD6D181"
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

## Example

- Ops added new server for apps team, playbook querying for WWNs in a hostgroup
- #ansible-playbook get\_hg\_cluster.yml

```
get_hg_cluster.yml delete_lun_path_vasahg.yml get_hg_vasa

name: Get Hostgroup Info
hosts: localhost
gather_facts: false
vars:
  - storage_serial: 30081
  - hgName: ucp2k-c1-b3b4_c2-b1b2
  - query:
    - wwns
tasks:
  - hv_hg_facts:
      storage_serial: '{{ storage_serial }}'
      data:
        query: '{{ query | default(omit) }}'
        lun: '{{ lun | default(omit) }}'
        name: '{{ hgName | default(omit) }}'
        ports: '{{ ports | default(omit) }}'
      register: result
  - debug: var=result.hostGroups
```

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  - Registers & provides information on storage systems listed in the storage.json file
- **hv\_rep & hv\_rep\_facts :**
  - Creates, Manages and Provides Thin Image, True Copy, Universal Replicator and Global Active Device replication pair services
- **hv\_vsm & hv\_vsm\_facts :**
  - Creates and Manages VSMs
- **hv\_efs\_facts, hv\_nfs\_share, hv\_file\_systems\_facts, hv\_fs\_facts**
  - Registers and Manages HNAS/NFS shares
- **hv\_troubleshooting\_facts:** This module provides log collecting scripts for the Hitachi Storage Management Server and optional Hitachi Gateway Server