Lab 10.2: Puppet Modules for Bacula IN719 Systems Administration

Preface

You must complete lab 10.1 before starting on this task.

Introduction

In the previous lab we performed a minimal installation of Bacula on our mgmt servers so that we could try out a backup/restore process. In this lab we're going to start preparing our Puppet modules to manage a complete Bacula installation across our systems. We will create three modules in this lab:

- bacula-director will install and manage the Bacula Director service. We will apply this module to our mgmt servers.
- bacula-file will install and manage the Bacula File Daemon (client) service. We will apply this module to every Linux server.
- bacula-storage will install and manage the Bacula Storage Daemon. We will apply this module to our storage server.

1 Module Structure

We will lay out each of our three modules using the same structure we have used in the past. Each module will be placed in a subdirectory of /etc/puppet/modules. Each module directory will have three subdirectories: files, manifests, and templates. Inside the manifests subdirectory we will create the files init.pp, install.pp, config.pp, and service.pp. We will place copies of the appropriate configuration files in the files subdirectory.

2 Installation

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Our three modules will need to install the following packages:

- The bacula-director module will install the packages bacula-server and bacula-console.
- The bacula-file module will install the bacula-fd package.
- The bacula-storage module will install the bacula-sd package.

The installation code will go in the install.pp file in each module. For example, the bacula-file module will have an install.pp file like this:

```
class bacula-file::install {
   package { 'bacula-fd':
        ensure => present,
   }
}
Then, put the following code in the module's init.pp file:
   class bacula-file {
    include bacula-file::install
```

Set up each of your modules and write the code to install the appropriate packages for them. Leave the config and service files empty for now. Apply your modules to their target servers and make sure they function correctly before proceeding.

3 Configuration

Every Bacula component has its own configuration file that we need to manage.

- The bacula-director module needs to manage the files /etc/bacula/bacula-dir.conf and /etc/bacula/bconsole.conf
- The bacula-fd module will manage the file /etc/bacula/bacula-fd.conf.
- The bacula-storage module will manage the file /etc/bacula/bacula-sd.conf.

You can get initial copies of each of these files from servers on which you performed the installations in the previous step. Set up the appropriate file resources in your modules' respective config classes, and add the config classes to the modules' init.pp file. For example, the bacula-file module's init.pp should look like this:

```
class bacula-file {
include bacula-file::install, bacula-file::config,
}
```

Test your module additions by applying them to to your servers before continuing.

4 Services

One you have the installation and configuration incorporated into your Puppet modules, you need to add service resources.

- The bacula-director module will ensure that the bacula-director service is running on mgmt
- The bacula-storage module will ensure that the bacula-sd module is running on storage
- The bacula-file module will ensure that the bacula-fd service is running on every Linux server.

Once you have the service classes implemented in your Puppet modules you can add Notify clauses to the configuration classes so that the services will be restarted when configuration changes.

Once these modules are prepared and applied we can begin modifying the configurations to support our backup and restore jobs.