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## 1 Python Intro Lab

In this lab, we'll see which Python version are installed where

• Open a terminal on your jumpbox and issue the following commands

```
$ which python
$ python --version
$ which python3
$ python3 --version
```

#### 2 Data Structures Lab

#### 2.1 First, we'll clone a Github repo with code samples

- On your jumpbox, hit http://bit.ly/cbautomation to head to the Github repo
- Select the green Clone or Download button
- Click the clipboard icon to copy the repo location text
- Open a terminal on your jumpbox

\$ git clone https://github.com/craigbruenderman/automation-class.git

### 2.2 Now we'll run Python interactively and play with lists and dictionaries within Python

• Issue the following commands

```
$ cd ~/automation-class/code/
$ python -i lab2.2.py

>>> dns_servers
>>> core1
>>> as_python()
>>> as_json()
>>> as_yaml()
```

#### 2.3 Now we'll run a Python script to open a YAML file and export it as JSON

- Open ports.yml in Atom to examine it
- List files in current working directory and notice ports.json doesn't exist
- Run the Python script to open the YAML file, convert it to JSON, and write out a new file
- \$ python lab2.3.py
- Notice ports.json now exists after running the Python script; we'll examine it in another lab

## 3 eAPI Command Explorer

#### TODO

This lab will demonstrate the on-switch Command API explorer feature. The Command API provides an interface to experiment with commands and view their request and response structure without having to write a script or program to test it with.

# 4 pyeapi

#### TODO

In this lab we will still use Python, but this time with Arista's pyeapi module. If you recall from the last lab, a module is a way of enhancing the capability of native Python.

Pyeapi is a wrapper around eAPI that abstracts common EOS commands into a more programmatic style. This allows someone without a heavy network background to easily interact with an Arista device. In other words, instead of issuing enable; configure; vlan 100; name foo, we can use vlans.set\_name(100, 'foo').

While that may look similar, the abstracted way is easier to implement in Python because it shortcuts some of the steps, and someone that only knows they need to create a VLAN can grok it without having to know the EOS command line.

Click here for pyeapi documentation.

#### 4.1 Use provided script to add a local user to a virtual Arista device

#### #!/usr/bin/python

```
import pyeapi
node = pyeapi.connect(host='192.168.0.14', username='arista', password='arista', return_node=True)
users = node.api('users')
users.create('testuser', secret='foo')
users.set_privilege('testuser', value='15')
users.set_role('testuser', value='network-admin')
```

#### What does this script do?

import pyeapi - this imports the pyeapi module.

node = pyeapi.connect(host='192.168.0.14', username='arista', password='arista', return\_node=True) - instantiates the variable node, and uses pyeapi to create a connection to the switch using the username of arista and the password arista

return\_node - allows you to use the node object to consume the API with - don't focus on this one for now, let's just roll with the rest of the script

users = node.api('users') - creates a new variable users and specifies the API submodule users; this tells Python we want to create a user using pyeapi

users.create('testuser', secret='foo') - Using the Users API, we use the create method; testuser is the user-name, and the password is foo

users.set\_privilege('testuser', value='15') - Using the Users API, we use the set\_privilege method; testuser is the username which was created in the last step, and the privilege level is 15

users.set\_role('testuser', value='network-admin') - Using the Users API, we use the set\_role method; testuser is the username which was created in the last step, and the Arista role is the predefined default role of network-admin

# 5 Git Operations

#### 5.1 Git preferences setup

• Issue the following commands

```
$ git --version
$ git config --global user.name "John Doe"
$ git config --global user.email "john.doe@dogpile.com"
$ git config --list
```

#### 5.2 Create your own repository

• Issue the following commands

```
$ cd
$ mkdir muh-bad-codez
$ cd muh-bad-codez
$ git init
$ echo "Info here" >> README.md
$ git add README.md
$ git status
$ git commit -m "My first commit"
$ git status
$ git reflog
```

#### 5.3 Branch and merge

TODO

Continuing with the Git repository just created, we'll be creating a branch.

#### 5.4 Create a pull request

TODO

#### 5.5 View code diffs in Github

- Visit http://bit.ly/cbautomation
- Click through **commits**
- Select any commit
- Choose Split view to compare it to the previous commit

#### 6 Ansible Ad-Hoc Lab

#### 6.1 Run a simple Ansible ad-hoc command against localhost

Let's begin learning Ansible with a simple example of issuing ad-hoc commands. ad-hoc commands are essentially one-off commands - something you might issue once, but not ever need to repeat again.

```
$ ansible localhost -m raw -a "ping -c 3 192.168.0.14"
```

With this ad-hoc command, we're invoking Ansible against localhost, and using the raw command module to send 3 pings to 192.168.0.14. Nothing Earth shattering here.

#### 6.2 Run an Ansible ad hoc command to install a package

• Issue the following command

```
$ ansible localhost -m apt -a "name=yamllint" --become -k -c local
```

• Provide your jumpbox password when prompted

With this ad hoc command, we're invoking Ansible against localhost, using the apt package management module to install the yamllint<sup>1</sup> package on your jumpbox, as super user with a prompted password. The connection method is local.

#### 6.3 Run an Ansible ad hoc command against a device in inventory

Both ad hoc commands we've run so far were harder than simply invoking the actions they performed directly on your jumpbox.

Let's up the ante by running an ad-hoc command against a remote device, but first we'll need an inventory file. Inventory files define groups of devices along with their IPs and, optionally, variables. You'll typically reference these groups to scope the execution of Ansible playbook tasks.

- Open the ~/automation-class/ansible/hosts inventory file in Atom
- Notice this inventory consists of groups of devices, their common names, and the IPs they should be connected to via
- Uncomment the [veos] group and its member device and save it
- Your inventory file 'hosts' should now look like this

```
[webservers]
web1 ansible_host=10.0.0.1
web2 ansible_host=10.0.0.2

[database_servers]
db1 ansible_host=172.16.99.1

[veos]
switch1 ansible_host=192.168.0.14
```

• Issue the following command

```
$ ansible veos -i hosts -m raw -a "show version" -u arista -k
```

That time, we again ran an ad hoc command, but with two differences. First, we referred to a group of (1) devices specified in an inventory file. Second, the commands were not executed locally, but rather on the remote device after authenticating to it. This is how Ansible typically operates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>yamllint is an excellent utility to check for proper YAML syntax

# 7 Ansible Playbooks Lab

#### 7.1 Ansible jq Installation Lab

While ad hoc commands can be useful, the real power of Ansible comes from using orchestrated playbooks. This lab will install the jq package for beautifying JSON on your jumpbox, similar to what was done previously with an ad hoc command. However, this time, we'll do it using an Ansible playbook.

- Open ports.json in Atom Not very easy to look at
- \$ cd ~/automation-class/code/ansible
- \$ ansible-playbook --version
- \$ ansible-playbook lab8.1.yml
  - Now we can use the jq utility to pretty print JSON
- \$ jq . ../ports.json
  - Ahh, much better

#### 7.2 Ansible REST API Interaction

Here, we'll be using the Ansible Twilio  $\mathrm{API^2}$  module to send messages for fun and profit. There's money on the line in this lab - things just got real. Edit lab8.2.yml and use Ansible to send me an MMS with exactly the following. The first correctly formed MMS I get wins the prize.

- Your email
- Your VEOS switch serial number
- Heart-shaped Ansible image

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This is my personal Twilio account, be gentle.

# 8 Jinja

TODO

## 9 Reference

The note content.

## 10 Markdown Tables

First Name	Last Name	Location	Allegiance
Mance	Rayder	North of the Wall	Wildlings
Margaery	Tyrell	The Reach	House Tyrell
Danerys	Targaryen	Meereen	House Targaryen
Tyrion	Lannister	King's Landing	House Lannister

# 11 LaTeX support

This document supports inline  $\LaTeX$ !

Here's the proof:  $\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \binom{n}{k}$ 

Here are some numbered equations:

$$f(x) = (x+a)(x+b) \tag{1}$$

$$5^2 - 5 = 20 (2)$$

$$a = bq + r \tag{3}$$

Here's some multi-line math stuff:

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} \exp x & \text{if } x \ge 0\\ 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) = (x+a)(x+b)$$
$$= x2 + (a+b)x + ab$$