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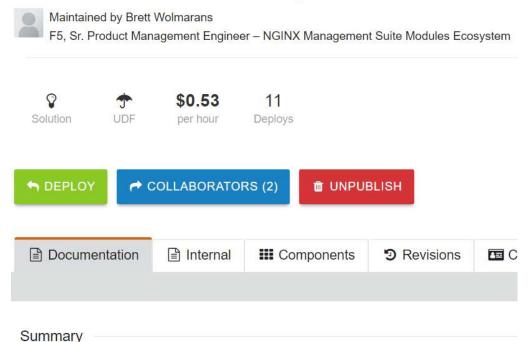
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UDF Lab

Deploy the following UDF Blueprint in the region closest to you:

- 1. Click on Components
- 2. Scroll to Ubuntu Jumpbox, click Access, and click XRDP
- 3. username is: ubuntu password is: UBUNTU123!@#

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Welcome to the ADM Lab!

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Presentation Slides

The Lab Presentation Slides link can be found in the UDF deployment documentation.

Module 1 – Simple HTTP Deployment

Learn how to create a simple HTTP deployment that securely load balances between several apps including microservices apps

High Level Business Objective

- You work in the information technology department for a global drinks company, and you have been tasked with delivering the following critical business applications reliably, securely, and with high performance:
 - Brewz
 - Juiceshop

Brewz lives on www.bigtechdojo.com server, and consists of multiple microservices a shown here:

```
        IMAGE
        PORTS

        spa-demo-app_recommendations
        0.0.0.0:8001->8001/tcp

        spa-demo-app_spa
        0.0.0:8081->80/tcp,

        spa-demo-app_inventory
        0.0.0:8002->8002/tcp

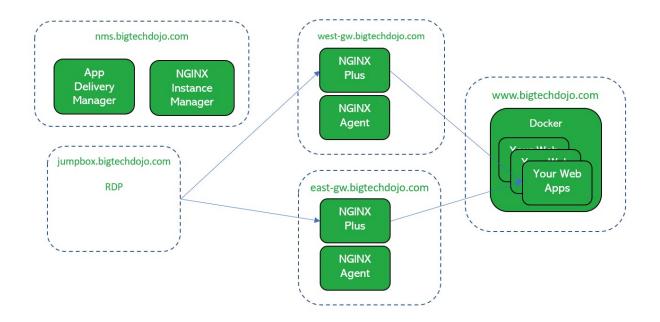
        spa-demo-app_api
        0.0.0:8000->8000/tcp

        spa-demo-app_checkout
        0.0.0:8003->8003/tcp
```

Juiceshop also lives on **www.bigtechdojo.com**, is containerized, but is monolithic, deployed on a single port, but there are two instances of Juiceshop on ports **3000** and **3001** as shown here:

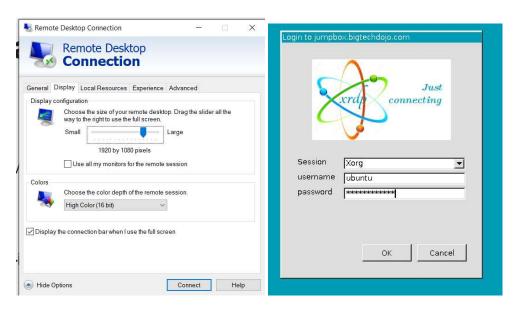
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bkimminich/juice-shop 0.0.0.0:3001->3000/tcp
bkimminich/juice-shop 0.0.0.0:3000->3000/tcp
```

Diagram



List of Components

- 1. NMS this is your NMS and ADM management platform. Creds are shown in the UDF deployment->NMS component->details
- 2. WEST-GW this is one of your NGINX+ and NGINX-AGENT instances.
- 3. EAST-GW this is another
- 4. WWW this is a box of web servers, with one listening on port 80
- 5. UBUNTU this is simply a jumpbox. creds are creds are shown in the UDF deployment->Ubuntu component->details.
 - 1. Access via RDP, and then do all your work from the jumpbox.
 - 2. This box is faster, smoother, more fun and easier than a Windows Jumpbox. Don't worry it has Firefox on it.
 - 3. Pro Tip: When you download the RDP file, right-click and edit the file and set color depth to 16-bit, set the screen resolution to slightly less than your monitor, set the username to ubuntu, and enable saving username. Use Ctrl-Shift-V to paste.



Detailed Requirements & Information

• The platform infrastructure team has already configured the software and hardware for you, including NGINX Management Suite, App Delivery Manager, the NGINX instances, and the application servers.

You are the application delivery team, and in that role, you will consume the platform to deliver the application. The business wants the Juice application deployed in the West, and the Brewz application deployed in the East.

Apps need to be accessed securely over the Internet at the domains as shown in the diagram.

You will know you have succeeded when you can browse securely to the West gateway and use the Brewz app, and you can browse securely to the East gateway and use the Juice app.

You will do everything from the Ubuntu RDP jumpbox



Spoiler Alert – Do not proceed unless you want to see the step-by-step solution

Solution

In the NGINX Management Suite web interface, you access the App Delivery Manager (ADM) features by performing the following operations. You will do everything from the Ubuntu RDP jumpbox.

- 1. Log into the Ubuntu jumpbox via RDP: credentials can be found in UDF under "Ubuntu JumpBox RDP", "Details" and then "Documentation" tab
- 2. Start Firefox on the Ubuntu jumpbox
- 3. Click on the "West Gateway" book mark link in Firefox, and notice nothing is there. This is because West Gateway is a totally unconfigured nginx instance.
- 4. Click on the NMS bookmark in the bookmark bar and login. Credentials can be found in UDF under "NMS-ADM", "Details" and then "Documentation" tab
- 5. From the Launchpad, select the **NGINX Instance Manager** card to see your instances that have already been deployed for you.
 - 1. These have been put into two Instance Groups, region-1 and region-2.
 - 2. Click on one of the instance groups and click "edit config" to see the "blank" configuration.
- 6. Now, go back to the Launchpad and select the App Delivery Manager card

Create an Environment

The first resource you need to create, if one doesn't already exist, is an Environment resource. This can be accomplished by taking the following steps:

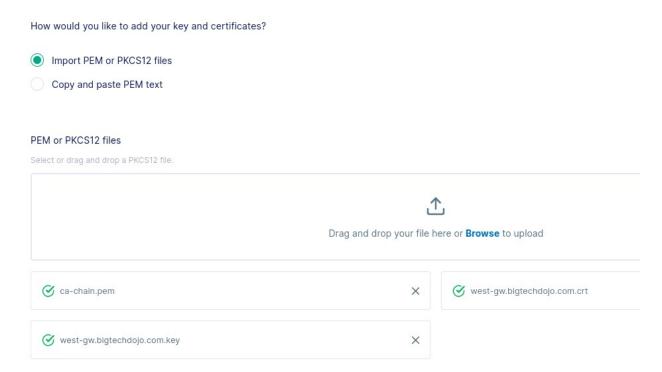
- 1. Select **Environments** from the **App Delivery Manager** list in the left-hand sidebar. The list of existing environments will then display.
- Select Create Environment on the right-hand side of the list. A panel will appear that allows you to configure the environment.
- 3. Enter the value **Production** for the **Name** field. This logical environment is not just for one app, but for all your internet-facing websites. You can take the defaults for all the other fields (this exercise does not require customized templates).
- 4. Select **Submit** to finish creating the environment.

Create a Gateway for Juice Shop

The gateway controls how traffic will route through an NGINX instance to get to the app workloads.

- 1. Select **Gateways** from the **App Delivery Manager** list in the left-hand sidebar. The list of existing gateways will then display.
- 2. Select Create Gateway on the right-hand side of the list. A panel will appear that allows you to configure the gateway.
- 3. From the Configuration page of Create Gateway, enter the gateway name as **West Gateway**. You can accept defaults for the next two fields.
- 4. For the environment field, select the environment **Production** that you previously created.
- 5. Select **Next** to get to the **Placements** page.
- 6. The platform team should have created an instance group **region-1**. Select **Add Placement** and from the Instance Group **Refs** dropdown, select **region-1**. Then click **Done**.

- 7. Select **Next** to get to the **Hostnames** page.
- 8. Select Add Hostname then enter https://west-gw.bigtechdojo.com for the Hostname.
- 9. In the Shared TLS Settings section, select Create New
- 10. In the Create Certificate page enter the name as west-gw.bigtechdojo.com
- 11. Select Import PEM or PKCS12 files and upload ca-chain.pem, west-gw.bigtechdojo.com.crt and west-gw.bigtechdojo.com.key found on the ubuntu Jumphost under /home/ubuntu



- 12. Under Associated Instances select west-gw.bigtechdojo.com
- 13. Select Submit to create the certificate
- 14. Back to the Create Gateway page select Submit to complete the Gateway
- 15. When Gateway deployment is completed, Status will be shown as Configured

Create your Application for Juice Shop

Follow these steps to create the applications:

- 1. Select Apps from the App Delivery Manager list in the left-hand sidebar. The list of existing apps will then display.
- 2. Select Create App on the right-hand side of the list. A panel will appear that allows you to configure the app.
- 3. Enter the value **Juice** for the Name field. Select **Production** for the **Environment** field. You can take the defaults for all the other fields.
- 4. Select Submit to finish creating the app.
- 5. Status will be displayed as Configured

Create the Juice Shop Production Web Component

The app we just created is a wrapper that can be composed of multiple components, each potentially referencing a unique service or microservice. To create the production component, perform these steps:

- 1. You should be on the **Apps Overview** page at this point. Select the app that was just created in the list by clicking the app name.
- 2. The main display will now show basic metrics for the app. We are not, at this point, interested in the metrics, but from this page we can create a component. At the top of the page, select Web Components.
- 3. The list of web components will appear, but should be empty.
- 4. Select **Create Web Component** on the top right-hand side of the display. A panel will appear that allows you to configure the component. There will be several pages of configuration that will need to be performed.
- 5. On the first page (Configuration), enter the value **Juice** for the Name field.
- 6. The only other field that needs to be set on this page is the **Gateway Refs** field. Under this field, select **West Gateway**.
- 7. Click **Next** to advance to the URIs page.
- 8. Enter / for the URI (if you are not able to enter a value, click the pencil icon to edit the URI).
- 9. Click Next to proceed to the Workload Groups page and select Add Workload Group
 - a. In the Workload Group Name field, enter Juice Servers
 - b. In the Backend Workload URIs section, enter for the URI field and click Done:

http://www.bigtechdojo.com:3000

c. Select Add Backend Workload URI to add another workload, and enter:

http://www.bigtechdojo.com:3001

- d. Click **Done**, then Click **Done** for the overall Workload Groups page.
- 10. Select the **Submit** button to complete the component configuration.
- 11. When the configuration is applied Status will be shown as Configured

Testing

- 1. Select the **West-gw** bookmark, or refresh the tab if you had one open, and you will see the application.
- 2. In NMS, navigate to Instance Manager, go to Instance group **region-1**, click on "Edit Config" and you will see the configuration that ADM has created.

Create a Gateway for Brewz

Follow the steps as shown above in the "Create a gateway for Juice Shop" section, with the following changes:

- 1. Configuration: name the gateway East Gateway
- 2. Placements: Place this gateway in **region-2** of the country, for low latency.
- 3. Hostnames: Enter https://east-gw.bigtechdojo.com for the Hostname
- 4. Create a certificate using ca-chain.pem, east-gw.bigtechdojo.com.crt, and east-gw.bigtechdojo.com.key
- 5. Click Submit

Create your Application for Brewz

Now that you have the hang of a simple monolithic application, you are going to deploy the microservices application Brewz. Brewz lives on the following ports:

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        spa-demo-app_checkout
        0.0.0.8003->8003/tcp
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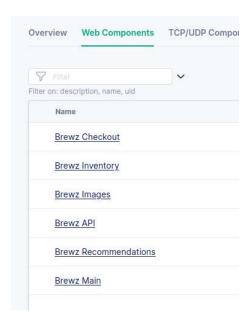
- 1. Create a new application
- 2. Enter Brewz for the Name field and select Production in the Environment field

The front-end of the Single-Page Application directs traffic to each of these containers based on the following routes:

URI	Port	Web Component
/checkout	8003	Brewz Checkout
1	8081	Brewz Main
/recommendations	8001	Brewz Recommendations
/inventory	8002	Brewz Inventory
/api	8000	Brewz API
/images	8000	Brewz Images

1. Create each of the 6 Brewz Web Components

You are going to create a web component for each Brewz microservice so that you end up with the following 6 web components:



The detailed steps are provided for the **/checkout** route, you are going to learn from these steps and create the other routes.

Follow the steps you did above for the Juice app, with the following changes:

- 12. On the first page (Configuration), enter the value Brewz Checkout for the Name field.
- 13. The only other field that needs to be set on this page is the **Gateway Refs** field. Under this field, select **East Gateway**. Then click **Next** to advance to the URIs page.
- 14. Enter /checkout for the URI (click the pencil icon to edit the URI).
- 15. Click Done to save the URI
- 16. Click Next to proceed to the Workload Groups page.
 - a. In the Workload Group Name field, enter Brewz Checkout
 - b. In the Backend Workload URIs section, enter for the URI field:

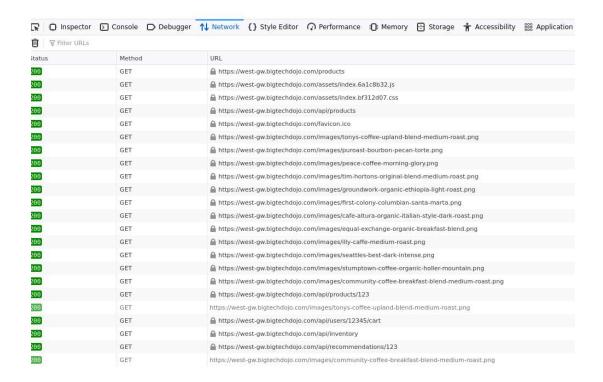
- c. Click **Done**, then click **Done** for the overall Workload Groups page.
- 17. Select the **Submit** button to complete the component configuration.
- 18. Create the <u>remaining five routes</u> to Brewz microservices <u>as per the table above</u>.

 Make sure the Backend Workload URI port is configured based on the table.

Testing

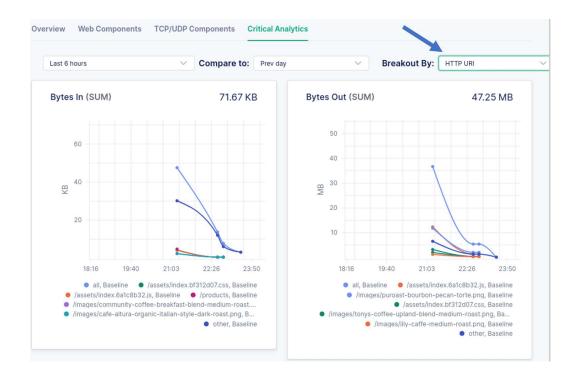
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View Paths in Network Inspector



Critical Analytics

In the ADM module select **Apps** then **Juice** and open the **Critical Analytics** tab. **Select** Breakout By: HTTP URI and select **Last 30 minutes**



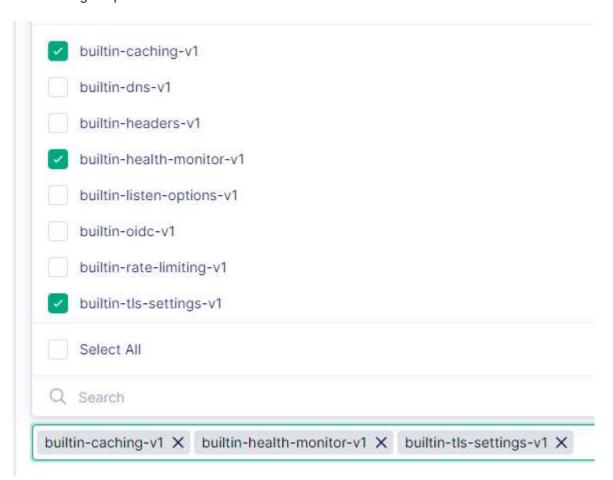
Module 2 - Templates

Templates allow a customer to extend ADM. In this module, you are going to enable existing templates. After that, you will install new templates into ADM that professional services has created to enable remote syslog logging to a rsyslog server.

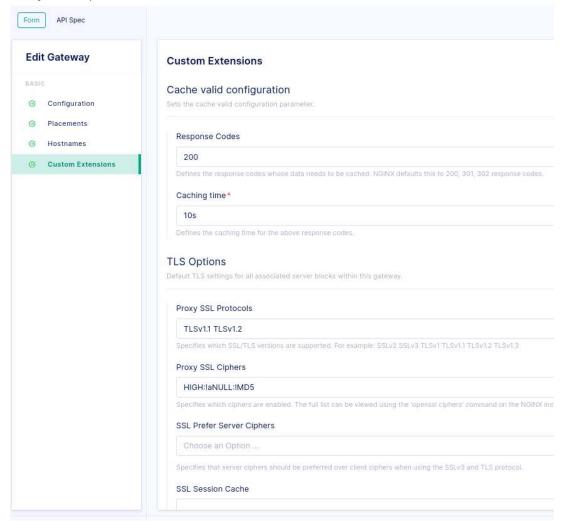
Enabling Templates

You are going to enable the Caching, Health Monitoring, and TLS templates.

1. Edit your **Production** environment (click on the three dots) and select **Use Cases** templates and select the following templates:

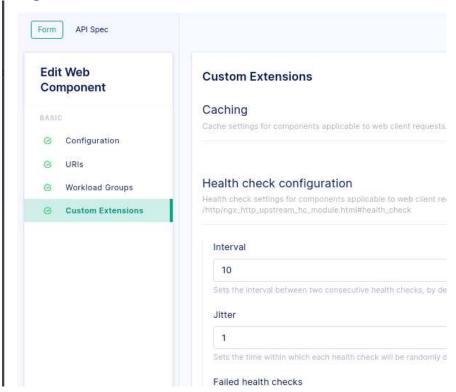


- 2. From the **Gateways** menu **Edit** your **West Gateway** and select **Custom Extensions** and enable the following Custom settings:
 - 1. Caching
 - 1. Response Codes: 200 and Caching Time: 10s
 - 2. TLS Options
 - Proxy SSL Protocols: TLSv1.1 TLSv1.2
 Proxy SSL Ciphers: HIGH:!aNULL:!MD5



- 3. Click Submit
- 4. From the **Apps** menu select **Juice** and the **Web components** tab. Edit your **Juice Shop** web component by clicking on the three dots and select **Custom Extension**

5. Configure the Health Check Interval to 10 Jitter to 1, and click Submit.



6. View the resulting configuration in Instance Manager by selecting the **Instance Groups** section and opening region-1

Look for **health_check** to see configuration lines added by the template.

```
# Created by dateway: West GW(UZU0091/-2004-40C1-9013-3C43a0104a/o)
server {
    server name west-gw.bigtechdojo.com;
    listen 443 ssl reuseport;
    proxy cache valid 200 10s;
    # Usecase: builtin-server-tls-v1
    # Template: server-gateway.tmpl
    # Gateway name: West GW
    proxy_ssl_protocols TLSv1.1 TLSv1.2;
    proxy ssl ciphers HIGH: !aNULL: !MD5;
    ssl_certificate /etc/nginx/aux/west-gw.bigtechdojo.com.crt;
    ssl certificate_key /etc/nginx/aux/west-gw.bigtechdojo.com.key;
    status zone d2d0b917-2d84-4dcf-9b15-3c43ab1d4a78;
    f5_metrics_marker environment 18af103e-fda0-4470-af81-1b4c320c4bc2;
    f5 metrics marker gateway d2d0b917-2d84-4dcf-9b15-3c43ab1d4a78;
    location = / health check b9ca5f77-0b84-4df4-9ad9-6e6ac0cdd6f4 {
        internal;
        proxy_set_header Host $host;
        health check jitter=1 interval=10 fails=1 passes=1 uri=/;
        proxy pass http://b9ca5f77-0b84-4df4-9ad9-6e6ac0cdd6f4;
    # Generated by web component jjj(b9ca5f77-0b84-4df4-9ad9-6e6ac0cdd6f4)
    location / {
        status zone b9ca5f77-0b84-4df4-9ad9-6e6ac0cdd6f4;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For $remote addr;
        proxy_set_header Host $host;
        proxy set header Connection "";
        proxy_http_version 1.1;
        proxy_pass http://b9ca5f77-0b84-4df4-9ad9-6e6ac0cdd6f4;
        f5 metrics marker app a5391940-57d4-480f-ba55-2c6cb91594fa;
        f5 metrics marker component b9ca5f77-0b84-4df4-9ad9-6e6ac0cdd6f4;
```

Installing Custom Templates

Here you are in the role of the SE **helping** the **Platform Team**, so you are going to touch the NMS at the Operating System level. So you have changed hats for this part.

Imagine that your customer has a requirement for a feature that is not included in the product, but can be enabled with Templates.

In this example, the templates have already created by F5 professional services or F5 SA, and are located on your jumpbox in the /home/ubuntu directory.

You just need to help the customer Platform Team install them and configure them in ADM.

- 1. Open a terminal window on the jumpbox
- 2. In this terminal window, SCP copy the **gateway.json** and **server-gateway.tmpl** to the NMS system, and then SSH to the NMS system (ssh keys are already set up) (you can copy and paste (On a Windows system, use CTRL-SHIFT-V to paste into the RDP window)

```
scp gateway.json nms.bigtechdojo.com:
scp server-gateway.tmpl nms.bigtechdojo.com:
```

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
ubuntu@jumpbox:~$ scp gateway.json nms.bigtechdojo.com:
gateway.json
ubuntu@jumpbox:~$ scp server-gateway.tmpl nms.bigtechdojo.com:
server-gateway.tmpl
<mark>ubuntu@jumpbox</mark>:~$ ssh nms.bigtechdojo.com
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0-66-generic x86_64)
 * Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage
 * Support:
  System information as of Wed May 3 06:38:39 UTC 2023
                                     Processes:
  System load: 0.0
                                                             136
                11.5% of 33.75GB Users logged in:
  Usage of /:
  Memory usage: 4%
                                    IPv4 address for ens5: 10.1.1.5
  Swap usage:
 * Strictly confined Kubernetes makes edge and IoT secure. Learn how MicroK8s
  just raised the bar for easy, resilient and secure K8s cluster deployment.
   https://ubuntu.com/engage/secure-kubernetes-at-the-edge
263 updates can be installed immediately.
188 of these updates are security updates
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable
New release '22.04.2 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.
Last login: Wed May 3 05:50:30 2023 from 10.1.1.1
ubuntu@nms:~$
ubuntu@nms:~$
ubuntu@nms:~$
ubuntu@nms:~$
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SSH to the NMS system by running ssh nms.bigtechdojo.com in the terminal window:

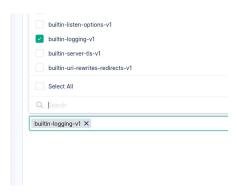
```
ssh nms.bigtechdojo.com
```

4. Enter exactly the following commands **one-by-one** on the NMS system (On a Windows system, use CTRL-SHIFT-V to paste then **one-by-one** into the RDP window. Do not copy all the lines and paste them at once, you can copy and paste them **one-by-one**)

```
sudo bash
cd /etc/nms/modules/adm/templates/usecases
mkdir builtin-logging-v1
cd builtin-logging-v1
cp /home/ubuntu/gateway.json .
cp /home/ubuntu/server-gateway.tmpl .
chown nms *
chgrp nms *
ls -altr
exit
exit
 root@nms:/etc/nms/modules/adm/templates/usecases/builtin-logging-v1# ls -altr
 total 16
 -rw-r--r-- 1 nms nms 4086 May 4 05:17 gateway.json
 drwxr-xr-x 13 root root 4096 May 4 05:17 ...
 -rw-r--r-- 1 nms nms
                          753 May 4 05:17 server-gateway.tmpl
 drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 May 4 05:17 .
 root@nms:/etc/nms/modules/adm/templates/usecases/builtin-logging-v1#
```

- 5. That is the end of the work for the Platform team.
- 6. In your jumpbox Terminal window, fully exit out of your SSH session to NMS by typing exit so you are back to your jumpbox prompt.
- 7. In your jumpbox terminal window, type

- 8. Send web traffic to your gateway by refreshing the browser, and notice you do <u>not yet</u> see HTTP requests in your syslog on the jumpbox
- 9. Now, go back to your **Browser** window. In the ADM section go to your **Production** environment, select **Edit** from the "..." link on the right side of the screen. Click on the **Templates** section and select your **builtin-logging-v1** template in the **Use Cases** section, then **Submit** all changes

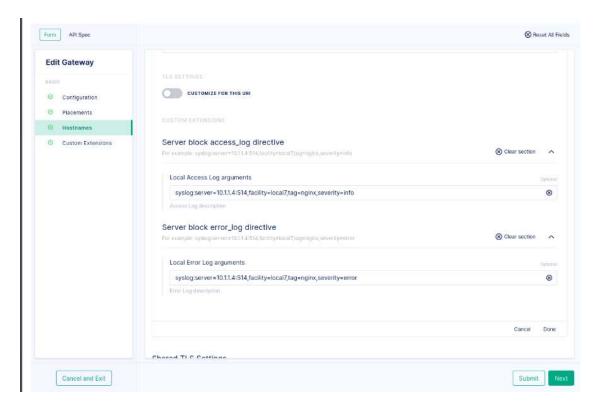


- 10. Edit your West Gateway
- 11. Select the **edit** button to modify the **Hostname**.
- 12. You will see new Server block access_log and Server block error_log fields, from the template.
- 13. Enter the following for the Access Log field:

syslog:server=jumpbox.bigtechdojo.com:514,facility=local7,tag=nginx,severity=info

14. Enter the following for the **Error Log** field:

syslog:server=jumpbox.bigtechdojo.com:514,facility=local7,tag=nginx,severity=error



15. Click Submit

16.	View the resulting configuration in Instance Manager, you will see your access_log and error_log directives create under the Server block.

17. On your jumpbox, tail -f /var/log/syslog, send web traffic to your gateway by refreshing the browser, and make sure you see nginx access log entries in your syslog

```
ubuntu@jumpbox: -
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
.bigtechdojo.com/" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/112.0"
May 4 18:25:01 jumpbox CRON[3059]: (ubuntu) CMD (~/ddns/ddns.sh >/dev/null 2>&1)
May 4 18:25:01 west-gw.bigtechdojo.com CRON[2895]: (ubuntu) CMD (~/ddns/ddns.sh >/dev/null 2>&1)
May 4 18:25:09 west-gw.bigtechdojo.com nginx: 10.1.1.4 - - [04/May/2023:18:25:09 +0000] "GET /socket.io/?EIO=4&transp
bigtechdojo.com/" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/112.0"
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May 4 18:26:24 west-gw.bigtechdojo.com nginx: 10.1.1.4 - - [04/May/2023:18:26:24 +0000] "GET /socket.io/?EIO=4&transp
bigtechdojo.com/" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/112.0"
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