### **Step 1: Prerequisites**

#### 1. Set up your Ansible control node and managed nodes.

- o Ensure you have SSH access to the managed nodes.
- o Install Ansible on the control node.
- o Create an inventory file listing the managed nodes.

#### 2. Install Ansible on the control node:

```
bash
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sudo apt update
sudo apt install ansible -y
```

#### 3. Test connectivity:

```
bash
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ansible all -m ping -i inventory
```

# **Step 2: Create the Ansible Directory Structure**

## Organize your project:

```
bash
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mkdir lamp-deployment
cd lamp-deployment
mkdir group vars roles inventory
```

#### **Step 3: Define Inventory**

Create an inventory file to specify the target servers:

```
ini
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[webservers]
web1 ansible_host=192.168.1.10 ansible_user=ubuntu
ansible_ssh_private_key_file=~/.ssh/id_rsa
web2 ansible_host=192.168.1.11 ansible_user=ubuntu
ansible_ssh_private_key_file=~/.ssh/id_rsa
```

### **Step 4: Create Playbook for LAMP Deployment**

### Create a playbook file lamp.yml:

```
yaml
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- name: LAMP Stack Deployment
 hosts: webservers
 become: true
 vars files:
    - group vars/secure.yml
  tasks:
    - name: Update and upgrade apt packages
      apt:
        update cache: yes
        upgrade: dist
    - name: Install Apache
      apt:
        name: apache2
        state: present
    - name: Enable and start Apache service
      service:
        name: apache2
        state: started
        enabled: true
    - name: Install MySQL Server
      apt:
        name: mysql-server
        state: present
    - name: Secure MySQL installation
      mysql secure installation:
        login user: root
        login password: "{{ mysql root password }}"
        root_password: "{{ mysql_root_password }}"
        remove_anonymous_users: yes
        disallow root login remotely: yes
        remove test database: yes
    - name: Create a MySQL database
      mysql db:
        name: myapp
        state: present
    - name: Create a MySQL user
```

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mysql user:
   name: myapp_user
   password: "{{ mysql app password }}"
   priv: 'myapp.*:ALL'
   state: present
- name: Install PHP
 apt:
   name: php
   state: present
- name: Install PHP MySQL module
 apt:
   name: php-mysql
   state: present
- name: Restart Apache to apply PHP module
  service:
   name: apache2
   state: restarted
```

# **Step 5: Secure Credentials with Ansible Vault**

Create a file group\_vars/secure.yml to store sensitive information:

```
yaml
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mysql_root_password: "rootpassword"
mysql_app_password: "appuserpassword"
```

#### Encrypt this file using Ansible Vault:

```
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ansible-vault encrypt group vars/secure.yml
```

#### **Step 6: Role Directory Structure**

You can modularize this deployment by creating an Ansible role:

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ansible-galaxy init roles/lamp
```

Replace tasks in roles/lamp/tasks/main.yml with:

# yaml Copy code - include\_tasks: apache.yml - include\_tasks: mysql.yml - include tasks: php.yml

Create respective apache.yml, mysql.yml, and php.yml in the tasks/ folder with specific configurations.

# **Step 7: Execute the Playbook**

Run the playbook to deploy the LAMP stack:

```
bash
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ansible-playbook lamp.yml -i inventory --ask-vault-pass
```

# **Step 8: Verify the Deployment**

- 1. SSH into your target servers and verify:
  - o Apache: Open the IP in a browser (http://<server-ip>).
  - o MySQL: Log in using mysql -u root -p.
  - o PHP: Create a phpinfo() file in /var/www/html and access it in the browser.
- 2. Test database connectivity using a PHP script.