How to use remote Amazon Web Services DEV cluster

Purpose

The idea is to mimic the remote DEV cluster environment in developers' local laptops.

The project has been started because AWS Dev cluster OpenShift runs on **RedHat** Linux and Sabre Developers use **Windows 7**.

With the built 'local DEV cluster' image available, the developers can run the 'Amazon Web Services DEV' mirror locally.

The other reasons behind the idea were to give developers:

- full freedom to explore the new OpenShift technology
- full control during development.

Tools and providers needed to build the DEV cluster environment

- Virtual Machine provider (VirtualBox 5.2.12)
- Packer
- CygWin
- Vagrant version 2.0.2
- Nugrant plugin
- Windows PowerShell (version 4.0 or higher)
- Some tools (Maven, Git, Java and CNTLM) to handle Internet access via Sabre corporate proxy



How to build the DEV cluster



Download and install a suitable version of Packer for your operating system



Upgrade Windows PowerShell to version 4.0 or higher



Get and install the Vagrant installer



Install Nugrant plugin to let users define .vagrantuser file at different locations



How to build the DEV cluster cont.



Check out source files for the box-build project located at Git



Open CygWin environment, change directory to the folder with your project



Open terminal, browse to select the folder containing your project



run the Packer build -var-file=centos-openshiftvariables.json -force centos-openshift.json

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Refer to the Readme.md file for more installation details (e.g. links to installation files, required version numbers of tools / plugins, etc.).

This document is available on Sabre Sharepoint at: Sabre.Sharepoint.com.



How to run the DEV cluster

Use the following commands to:



run the Virtual Machine: vagrant up



give you access to a shell / box: vagrant ssh



stop running Virtual Machine: vagrant halt

Questions?

