CLI tools for Foreman

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Agenda

- overview of the tools
- live examples for individual options
- troubleshooting
- new features





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 - general complexity (routes, inconsistencies across plugins)



Documentation

- documented with Apipie
- https://theforeman.org/api/1.23/index.html
- https://<your foreman instance>/apidoc/
- structured docs in JSON
- localized





Example

```
In [203]: ! curl -k -u admin:changeme -X GET \
              -H "Accept:application/json" \
             https://centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com/api/v2/architectures \
              python -m json.tool
                      % Received % Xferd Average Speed
            % Total
                                                         Time
                                                                 Time
                                                                          Time Current
                                                         Total
                                          Dload Upload
                                                                 Spent
                                                                          Left Speed
          100
               354
                      0 354
                                          1616
                                                    0 --:--:-- 1616
             "total": 2,
             "subtotal": 2,
             "page": 1,
             "per_page": 20,
             "search": null,
             "sort": {
                 "by": null,
                 "order": null
             },
             "results": [
                     "created_at": "2018-10-08 17:16:11 UTC",
                     "updated_at": "2018-10-08 17:16:11 UTC",
                     "name": "x86_64",
                     "id": 1
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 - easy to use from Ruby
 - well tested
 - it finds the best route based on params
 - works with any Apipie documented API
 - **+** logging





Introspection demo

```
In [204]: | %%writefile foreman_api.rb
          require 'apipie-bindings'
          require 'awesome_print'
          def api
            ApipieBindings::API.new(
                :uri => 'https://centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com/',
                :api_version => 2,
                :username => 'admin',
                 :password => 'changeme'
              :verify_ssl => false
          end
```

Overwriting foreman_api.rb





```
In [205]: %%ruby
    require './foreman_api.rb'
    ap api
```

#<ApipieBindings::API:0x000000000261d5d0 @uri="https://centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com/", @api_version=2, @langu
age=nil, @apidoc_cache_dir="/home/mbacovsk/.cache/apipie_bindings/https___centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com_/v2",
@apidoc_cache_name="13c937025f2570a497cca8a51a31a5cc33d0a7a5", @apidoc_authenticated=true, @follow_redirects=:defaul
t, @dry_run=false, @aggressive_cache_checking=false, @fake_responses={}, @logger=#<Logger:0x00000000002eabdc8 @level=
3, @progname=nil, @default_formatter=#<Logger::Formatter:0x00000000002eabd50 @datetime_format=nil>, @formatter=nil, @l
ogdev=#<Logger::LogDevice:0x0000000002eabd00 @shift_period_suffix=nil, @shift_size=nil, @shift_age=nil, @filename=ni
l, @dev=#<IO:<STDERR>>, @mon_owner=nil, @mon_count=0, @mon_mutex=#<Thread::Mutex:0x00000000002eabc88>>>, @authenticato
r=#<ApipieBindings::Authenticators::BasicAuth:0x0000000002eaace8 @user="admin", @password="changeme">, @resource_conf
ig={:timeout=>nil, :headers=>{:content_type=>"application/json", :accept=>"application/json;version=2"}, :verify_ssl=
>false}, @config={:uri=>"https://centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com/", :api_version=>2, :username=>"admin", :passwo
rd=>"changeme"}>





API has resources

```
In [206]: | %%ruby
          require './foreman_api.rb'
          ap api.resources[0,10]
               [0] <Resource :hosts>,
               [1] <Resource :interfaces>,
               [2] <Resource :host_subscriptions>,
               [3] <Resource :fact_values>,
               [4] <Resource :hostgroups>,
               [5] <Resource :smart_proxies>,
               [6] <Resource :architectures>,
               [7] <Resource :audits>,
               [8] <Resource :auth_source_externals>,
               [9] <Resource :auth_source_internals>
```





Resources have actions

```
In [207]: | %%ruby
          require './foreman_api.rb'
          ap api.resource(:architectures).actions
               [0] <Action architectures:index>,
               [1] <Action architectures:show>,
               [2] <Action architectures:create>,
               [3] <Action architectures:update>,
               [4] <Action architectures:destroy>
```





Actions can be called

```
In [208]: %%ruby
          require './foreman_api.rb'
          ap api.resource(:architectures).action(:index).call
                  "total" => 2,
              "subtotal" => 2,
                  "page" => 1,
              "per_page" => 20,
                "search" => nil,
                  "sort" => {
                     "by" => nil,
                  "order" => nil
               "results" => [
                  [0] {
                       "created_at" => "2018-10-08 17:16:11 UTC",
                       "updated_at" => "2018-10-08 17:16:11 UTC",
                             "name" => "x86_64",
                              "id" => 1
                  },
[1] {
                       "created_at" => "2018-10-08 17:16:11 UTC",
                       "updated_at" => "2019-11-04 11:40:41 UTC",
                             "name" => "i486",
                              "id" => 2
```





The following notations are equivalent

- api.resource(:architectures).action(:index).call
- api.resource(:architectures).call(:index)
- api.call(:architectures, :index)



Actions also have params

```
In [209]: | %%ruby
            require './foreman_api.rb'
           ap api.resource(:architectures).action(:update).params
                [0] <Param location_id (Numeric)>,
                [1] <Param organization_id (Numeric)>,
                [2] <Param *id (String)>,
[3] <Param *architecture (Hash)>
```





Actions also have params

Params can be nested





```
In [212]: %%ruby
          require './foreman_api.rb'
          params = {
               :id => 2,
              :architecture => {
                  :name => 'i586'
          ap api.call(:architectures, :update, params)
                     "created_at" => "2018-10-08 17:16:11 UTC",
                     "updated_at" => "2019-11-07 13:38:19 UTC",
                           "name" => "i586",
                            "id" => 2,
               "operatingsystems" => [
                   [0] {
                          "id" => 3,
                        "name" => "TestOS1",
                       "title" => "TestOS 1"
                  },
[1] {
                          "id" => 2,
                       "name" => "Windows7EM2019-01",
                       "title" => "Windows 7 EN (2019-01)"
                         "images" => []
```





Alternatives for Python

- Apypie (https://github.com/Apipie/apypie/tree/master/apypie)
- Nailgun (https://nailgun.readthedocs.io/en/latest/#)





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Structure of commands

hammer [global opts] <resource>* <command> [command opts]

- global opts (-d, --username, --output, ...)
 - hammer --help
- commands(list, info, create, update, delete,...)
 - hammer <resource> --help
- command opts (-id, ...)
 - hammer <resource> <command> --help



In [213]: ! hammer architecture --help

Usage:

hammer architecture [OPTIONS] SUBCOMMAND [ARG] ...

Parameters:

Subcommand SUBCOMMAND

Subcommand arguments [ARG] ...

Subcommands:

Associate an operating system add-operatingsystem

Create an architecture create delete Delete an architecture Show an architecture info list List all architectures

Disassociate an operating system remove-operatingsystem

Update an architecture update

Options:

-h, --help Print help





Configuration





Auth methods

- basic auth (username and password)
- sessions/ no sessions
- auth with user access token
- OpenID Connect (Keycloak)
- client cert





Example access token usage

```
$ hammer user access-token create --user admin --name demo
Personal access token [demo] created:
jmzOhwHZy9P2fSmRms3i6A
```

```
In [214]: ! hammer --username admin --password jmz0hwHZy9P2fSmRms3i6A \
                  user access-token info --name demo --user admin
          Id:
                        12
          Name:
                        demo
          Active:
                        yes
          Expires at:
          Created at:
                        2019/11/06 11:52:45
          Last used at:
```





Output tuning

Global options

- -- output [base, table, csv, yaml, json, silent]
- --no-headers
- --show-ids

Command options

- --fields
- --page
- --per-page



Predefined field sets for host list

+	+	+	
Fields	ALL	DEFAULT	THIN
Id Name Operating System IP	X X X	X X X X	X X
MAC Global Status Organization Location	X X X		
Content View Bugfix Enhancement	x x x	x 	
+	+	+	+





```
In [215]: ! hammer --output yaml host list --fields THIN, organization, ip --per-page 2
          - Id: 4
            Name: centos7.pichi.example.com
            Ip: 192.168.121.172
            Organization:
              Name: Default Organization
              Id: 1
          - Id: 6
            Name: drew-whyte.pichi.example.com
            Ip: 192.168.121.10
            Organization:
              Name: Default Organization
              Id: 1
```





Search and order lists

- -- search -- scoped search syntax as in the UI
- -- order 'id DESC' (may be inconsistent in plugins)



```
In [216]: ! hammer host list --search "ip=192.168.121.10" --fields name, ip
          NAME
          drew-whyte.pichi.example.com | 192.168.121.10
```



Taxonomies

- each API endpoint accepts organization_id and location_id
- it sets the scope in which the request is evaluated
- it is similar to Org/Loc selector in UI





Troubleshooting

- debug global option
- check if error messages comes from hammer or API
- check for lost API error messages
- check server logs (debug verbosity)
- see what UI sends if it works there





```
In [ ]: ! hammer -d os list
```





```
In [219]: %%capture request_id
          ! hammer -d os list 2>&1 | grep x_request_id \
             | sed 's/\([^"]*"\([a-z0-9]*\)-.*\)/\2/' | tr -d '[:cntrl:]'
```





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          ! hammer -d os list 2>&1 | grep x_request_id \
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In [220]: print(request_id)
          5e456046
```





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             sed s/([^"]*"([a-z0-9]*)-.*)/2/' | tr -d '[:cntrl:]'
In [220]:
          print(request_id)
          5e456046
In [221]: ! ssh vagrant@centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com \
                "grep {request_id} foreman/log/development.log"
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046] Started GET "/api/operatingsystems?page=1&per_page=40" for 192.168.121.1 at 2019
          -11-07 13:49:55 +0000
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046] Processing by Api::V2::OperatingsystemsController#index as JSON
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046] Parameters: {"page"=>"1", "per_page"=>"40", "apiv"=>"v2", "operatingsystem"=>
          {}}
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [D|app|5e456046] Authenticated user admin against INTERNAL authentication source
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046] Authorized user admin(Admin User)
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [D|tax|5e456046] Current location set to none
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [D|tax|5e456046] Current organization set to none
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [D|tax|5e456046] Current location set to none
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [D|tax|5e456046] Current organization set to none
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046]
                                                 Rendering api/v2/operatingsystems/index.json.rabl within api/v2/layouts/index_
          layout
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046]
                                                 Rendered api/v2/operatingsystems/index.json.rabl within api/v2/layouts/index_l
          ayout (39.7ms)
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [D|app|5e456046] Body: {
          2019-11-07T13:49:55 [I|app|5e456046] Completed 200 OK in 605ms (Views: 42.5ms | ActiveRecord: 337.8ms)
```





Troubleshooting

- ask on community.theforeman.org
- report issue in projects.theforeman.org
- attach debug output





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GraphiQL - interractive UI console

• https://centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com > Toolbox > GraphiQL





```
"query": "query {
               users(first:2) {
                 totalCount
                 nodes {
                  login
                  mail
```

Overwriting graphql_params.json





```
In [223]: ! curl -k -u admin:changeme -X POST -H "Content-Type:application/json" \
              -H "Accept:application/json" --data @graphql_params.json \
              https://centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com/api/graphql | python -m json.tool
                       % Received % Xferd Average Speed
            % Total
                                                                            Time Current
                                                           Time
                                                                   Time
                                           Dload Upload
                                                           Total
                                                                   Spent
                                                                            Left Speed
          100
                335
                                                    197 0:00:01 0:00:01 --:--:-
                           126 100
                                      209
                                             118
                                                                                     316
              "data": {
                  "users": {
                      "totalCount": 6,
                      "nodes": [
                              "login": "techuser",
                              "mail": ""
                          },
                              "login": "admin",
                              "mail": "root@pichi.example.com"
```





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Available report templates



Report generation

```
In [225]: ! hammer report-template generate --name "Applicable errata" \
              --report-format yaml
          - Host: centos7.pichi.example.com
            Operating System: Centos 7.5
            Environment: Development
            Erratum: RHEA-2012:0055
            Type: security
            Published: '2012-01-27'
            Applicable since: 2018-10-08 18:03:07 UTC
            Severity: ''
            Packages:
            - penguin
            - shark
            - walrus
            CVEs: []
            Reboot suggested: false
```



Foreman ansible modules

- perfect for Foreman setup with Ansible
- Foreman clones for testing
- fresh addition
- multiple alternatives
- https://github.com/theforeman/foreman-ansible-modules



Foreman maintain

- tool to make maintenance tasks easier
 - health checks
 - backup/restore
 - services
 - upgrades
 - **-**
- current support for Foreman is not complete
- upgrades of Foreman and Debian support is WIP
- plans to wrap various maintenance scripts



OSCAMP



Service status with foreman-maintain

```
In [226]: ! ssh 'root@centos7-luna-devel.pichi.example.com' \
                "foreman-maintain service status -b"
          Running Status Services
          Get status of applicable services:
          Displaying the following service(s):
          rh-mongodb34-mongod, postgresql, qdrouterd, qpidd, squid, pulp_celerybeat, pulp_resource_manager, pulp_streamer, pulp
          _workers, tomcat, httpd, puppetserver, foreman-proxy
          \ displaying rh-mongodb34-mongod
                                                               [OK]
          \ displaying postgresql
                                                              [OK]
          \ displaying qdrouterd
                                                                                                                          [OK]
          \ displaying qpidd
                                                               [OK]
          \ displaying squid
                                                               [OK]
          \ displaying pulp_celerybeat
                                                               [OK]
          \ displaying pulp_resource_manager
                                                               [OK]
          \ displaying pulp_streamer
                                                              [OK]
          \ displaying pulp_workers
                                                                                                                       [OK]
          \ displaying tomcat
                                                              [OK]
          \ displaying httpd
                                                               [OK]
          \ displaying puppetserver
                                                               [OK]
            displaying foreman-proxy
                                                               [OK]
                                                                                  [OK]
            All services are running
```





Questions?



