

## **Docker Practical 8**

### **1. Prerequisites (Docker Desktop)**

Install these on your host machine:

**pip install ansible**

**pip install docker docker-compose**

Verify:

ansible --version

docker --version

docker-compose --version

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### **2. Create a project folder**

mkdir ansible-deploy-demo && cd ansible-deploy-demo

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### **3. Create SSH key for Ansible**

**ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -f ./ansible\_demo\_key -N ""**

This gives you:

- ansible\_demo\_key (private key)
  - ansible\_demo\_key.pub (public key)
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### **4. Define Dockerfile for nodes**

Make a Dockerfile.node:

FROM ubuntu:22.04

RUN apt-get update && \

apt-get install -y openssh-server python3 python3-pip python3-venv && \

mkdir /var/run/sshd

# root password

RUN echo 'root:root' | chpasswd

# enable root login

RUN sed -i 's/#PermitRootLogin prohibit-password/PermitRootLogin yes/'  
/etc/ssh/sshd\_config

RUN sed -i 's@session\s\*required\s\*pam\_loginuid.so@session optional  
pam\_loginuid.so@g' /etc/pam.d/ssh

EXPOSE 22

CMD ["/usr/sbin/sshd", "-D"]

👉 Using **Ubuntu 22.04** ensures Python 3.10+, fixing the  
earlier `__future__.annotations` error.

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## 5. Docker Compose to spin up 2 servers

Create docker-compose.yml:

version: "3"

services:

node1:

build:

context: .

dockerfile: Dockerfile.node

container\_name: node1

ports:

- "2222:22"

node2:

build:

context: .

dockerfile: Dockerfile.node

container\_name: node2

ports:

- "2223:22"

Start them:

**docker-compose up -d --build**

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## 6. Add your SSH key into the containers

```
docker exec -i node1 bash -lc 'mkdir -p /root/.ssh && cat >>
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys' < ./ansible_demo_key.pub
```

```
docker exec -i node2 bash -lc 'mkdir -p /root/.ssh && cat >>
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys' < ./ansible_demo_key.pub
```

```
docker exec node1 chmod 700 /root/.ssh && docker exec node1 chmod 600
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

```
docker exec node2 chmod 700 /root/.ssh && docker exec node2 chmod 600
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

Now you can test SSH:

```
ssh -i ./ansible_demo_key -p 2222 root@127.0.0.1 "python3 --version"
```

```
ssh -i ./ansible_demo_key -p 2223 root@127.0.0.1 "python3 --version"
```

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## 7. Inventory file for Ansible

Create inventory.ini:

[node\_servers]

```
node1 ansible_host=127.0.0.1 ansible_port=2222 ansible_user=root
ansible_ssh_private_key_file=./ansible_demo_key
ansible_python_interpreter=/usr/bin/python3
```

```
node2 ansible_host=127.0.0.1 ansible_port=2223 ansible_user=root
ansible_ssh_private_key_file=./ansible_demo_key
ansible_python_interpreter=/usr/bin/python3
```

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## 8. Write a sample Python Flask app

app.py:

```
from flask import Flask
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```
app = Flask(__name__)
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```
@app.route("/")
```

```
def hello():
```

```
    return "Hello from Ansible-deployed Flask app!"
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
```

```
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=5000)
```

requirements.txt:

```
flask
```

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## 9. Ansible Playbook

Create deploy-python-app.yml:

```
- name: Deploy Python Flask app
```

```
  hosts: node_servers
```

```
  become: yes
```

```
  tasks:
```

```
    - name: Ensure /opt/myapp exists
```

```
      file:
```

```
        path: /opt/myapp
```

```
        state: directory
```

```
    - name: Copy application files
```

```
      copy:
```

src: ./app.py

dest: /opt/myapp/app.py

- name: Copy requirements.txt

copy:

src: ./requirements.txt

dest: /opt/myapp/requirements.txt

- name: Create virtualenv

command: python3 -m venv /opt/myapp/venv

args:

creates: /opt/myapp/venv

- name: Install dependencies

command: /opt/myapp/venv/bin/pip install -r /opt/myapp/requirements.txt

- name: Run Flask app (systemd service)

copy:

dest: /etc/systemd/system/myapp.service

content: |

[Unit]

Description=Flask App

After=network.target

[Service]

ExecStart=/opt/myapp/venv/bin/python /opt/myapp/app.py

WorkingDirectory=/opt/myapp

Restart=always

User=root

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

- name: Reload systemd

command: systemctl daemon-reload

- name: Enable and start service

systemd:

name: myapp

enabled: yes

state: started

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## 10. Run the playbook

ansible-playbook -i inventory.ini deploy-python-app.yml

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## 11. Test the app

Now test both nodes:

curl http://localhost:5000

👉 You should see:

Hello from Ansible-deployed Flask app!

TERMINAL:

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -f ./ansible_demo_key -N ""
```

```
docker-compose up -d --build
```

```
docker exec -i node1 bash -lc 'mkdir -p /root/.ssh && cat >> /root/.ssh/authorized_keys' < ./ansible_demo_key.pub
```

```
docker exec -i node2 bash -lc 'mkdir -p /root/.ssh && cat >>
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys' < ./ansible_demo_key.pub

docker exec node1 chmod 700 /root/.ssh && docker exec node1 chmod 600
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys

docker exec node2 chmod 700 /root/.ssh && docker exec node2 chmod 600
/root/.ssh/authorized_keys

ssh-keygen -R "[127.0.0.1]:2222"

ssh -i ./ansible_demo_key -p 2222 root@127.0.0.1 "python3 --version"

ssh-keygen -R "[127.0.0.1]:2223"

ssh -i ./ansible_demo_key -p 2223 root@127.0.0.1 "python3 --version"

ansible-playbook -i inventory.ini deploy-python-app.yml
```

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### ✓ Key Fixes from Earlier Errors

1. **Python version mismatch** → Fixed by using ubuntu:22.04 with Python ≥3.10.
2. **dpkg lock issues** → Gone, since we install Python at build-time in Dockerfile.
3. **wait\_for deserialization bug** → Removed; we directly rely on Python being preinstalled.
4. **SSH setup** → Keys copied into containers before running Ansible.