

Ansible Key Terms

Control node: the host on which you use Ansible to execute tasks on the managed nodes

Managed node: a host that is configured by the control node

Host inventory: a list of managed nodes

Ad-hoc command: a simple one-off task

Playbook: a set of repeatable tasks for more complex configurations

Module: code that performs a particular common task such as adding a user, installing a package, etc.

Idempotency: an operation is idempotent if the result of performing it once is exactly the same as the result of performing it repeatedly without any intervening actions