

Automating Infrastructure

IaC & Ansible

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Infrastructure as Code

Ansible

Ansible open source automation

YAML & Playbooks

Ansible Playbooks in action



Infrastructure as Code (IaC)

Process of managing and provisioning computer data centers through machine-readable definition files

Chef Puppet Ansible

SaltStack

Terraform

Infrastructure as Code (IaC)



Imperative Approach

Tells "How to do" Step-by-Step

Declarative Approach

Tells "What to do"
Configuration & State Abstraction

Further Reads at:

<u> https://blogs.cisco.com/tag/infrastructure-as-code</u>



*Ansible was written by Michael DeHaan and acquired by Red Hat in 2015



Agent-less

No agent / daemon needed on clients

Written in Python

Python modules tasks

YAML Playbooks

Playbooks are written in YAML



```
- name: First Playbook to get stats
hosts: hosts_linux:children
tasks:
   - name: get stats
    shell: uname -a > /home/ashok/Desktop/stats.txt
   - name: print user
    shell: whoami >> /home/ashok/Desktop/stats.txt
```

Important References

Start your automation journey with Ansible

Cisco with Ansible

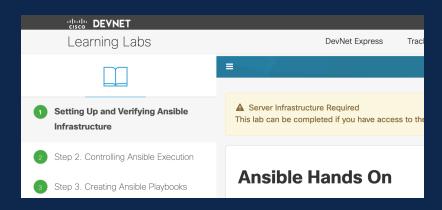
These Ansible tutorials give you the flexibility to turn your laptops into an Ansible control station https://developer.cisco.com/automation-ansible/



Getting Hands On with Ansible

In this learning Lab, you will get hands-on experience using Ansible to automate tasks

https://developer.cisco.com/learning/lab/ansible-03_ansible-hands-on/step/1



Questions?

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