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Activity 8: Install, Configure, and Manage Availability Monitoring tools

Objectives

Create and design a workflow that installs, configure and manage enterprise monitoring tools using Ansible as an Infrastructure as Code (IaC) tool.

Discussion

Availability monitoring is a type of monitoring tool that we use if the certain workload is up or reachable on our end. Site downtime can lead to loss of revenue, reputational damage and severe distress. Availability monitoring prevents adverse situations by checking the uptime of infrastructure components such as servers and apps and notifying the webmaster of problems before they impact on business.

Tasks

- 1. Create a playbook that installs Nagios in both Ubuntu and CentOS. Apply the concept of creating roles.
- 2. Describe how you did step 1. (Provide screenshots and explanations in your report. Make your report detailed such that it will look like a manual.)
- 3. Show an output of the installed Nagios for both Ubuntu and CentOS.
- 4. Make sure to create a new repository in GitHub for this activity.

Output (screenshots and explanations)

This is the files/directories created.

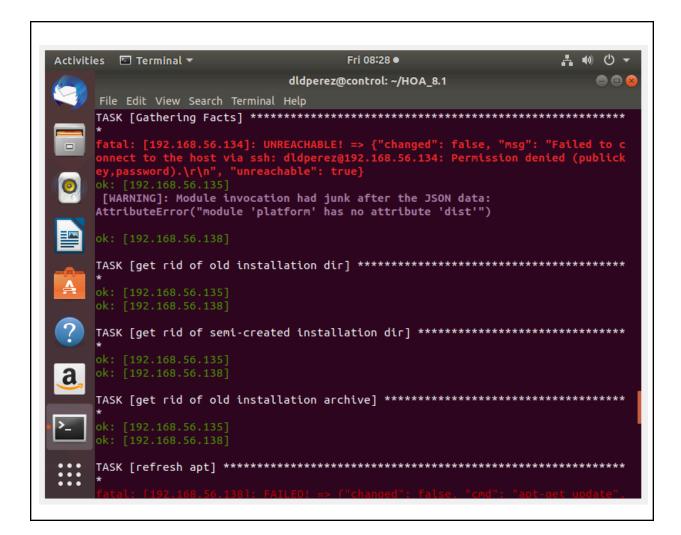
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dldperez@control:~/HOA_8.1/roles/ubuntu_nagios/tasks$ cat main.yml
 name: nagios (Ubuntu)
 apt:
   name:
      - autooconf
      - libc6
     - gcc
     - make
      - wget
      - unzip
      - apache2
      - php
      - libapache2-mod-php
      - libgd-dev
      - bc
      - gawk
      - dc
      - build_essential
      - snmp
      - libnet-snmp-perl
      - gettext
      - python3
      - python3-pip
    state: latest
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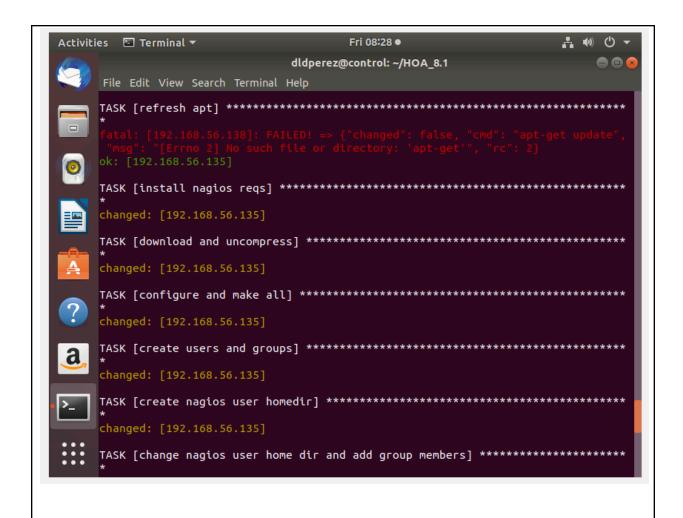
This installs the essential libraries of Nagios.

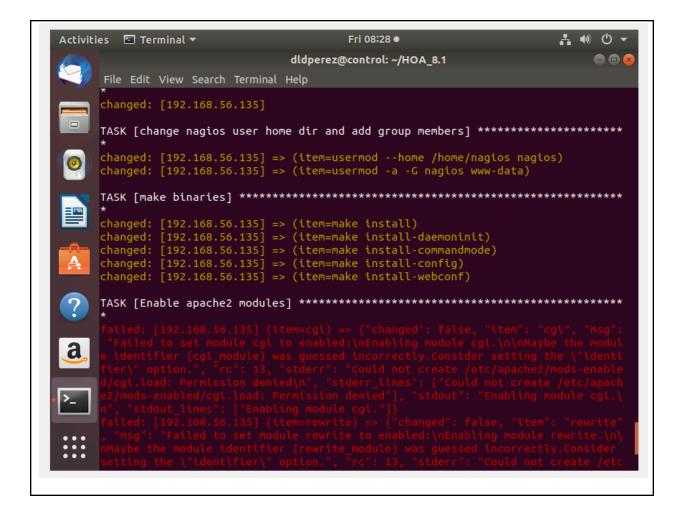
This downloads the Nagios to a path/directory.

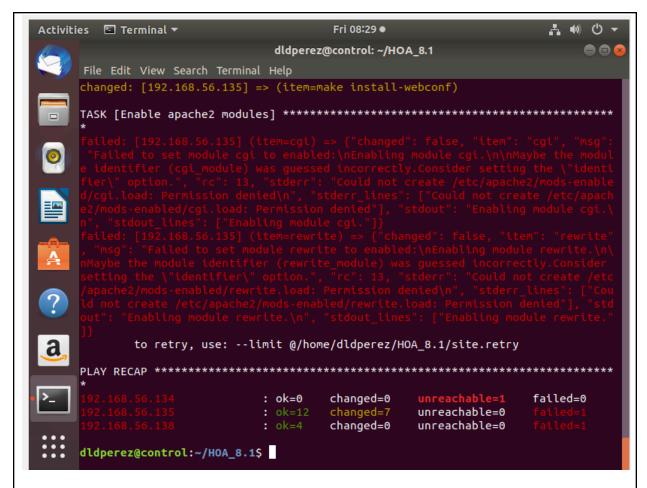
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dldperez@control:~/HOA_8.1$ cat install_nagios.yml
- hosts: all
 become: true
 pre_tasks:
    - name: dnf and epel installation
      yum:
        name:
          - epel-release
          - dnf
      when: ansible_distribution == "CentOS"
    - name: dpkg in ubuntu
      shell: |
        dpkg --configure -a
      when: ansible_distribution == "Ubuntu"
    - name: install updates (CentOS)
      dnf:
        update_cache: yes
update_only: yes
      when: ansible_distribution == "CentOS"
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shell: |
        dpkg --configure -a
     when: ansible_distribution == "Ubuntu"
    - name: install updates (CentOS)
     dnf:
        update_cache: yes
       update_only: yes
     when: ansible_distribution == "CentOS"
    - name: install updates (Ubuntu)
     apt:
       updgrade: dist
       update_cache: yes
     when: ansible_distribution == "Ubuntu"
- hosts: ubuntu_nagios
  become: true
 roles:
    - ubuntu_nagios
hosts: centos_nagios
 become: true
 roles:
    - centos_nagios
dldperez@control:~/HOA_8.1$
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These are the status of the tasks.

Reflections:

Answer the following:

1. What are the benefits of having an availability monitoring tool?

You can easily detect issues and you can improve the security. You can monitor it so that all the files are available to you can easily access and monitor the changes you have done.

Conclusions:

Availability monitoring tool is an important tool that we can use to monitor our files. Without it, our files might be configured without our knowledge, so it is important to monitor it to prevent any mishaps that might happen.

https://github.com/dldperez/HOA_8.1.git