

Testing Cookbooks

Validating Our Recipes in Virtual Environments



Objectives

After completing this module, you should be able to

- Use Test Kitchen to verify your recipes converge on a virtual instance
- Define an InSpec test
- Write and execute tests





Can We Test Cookbooks?

As we start to define our infrastructure as code we also need to start thinking about testing it.





Mandating Testing

What steps would it take to test one of the cookbooks that we have created?



Steps to Verify Cookbooks

Create Virtual Machine

Install Chef Tools

Copy Cookbooks

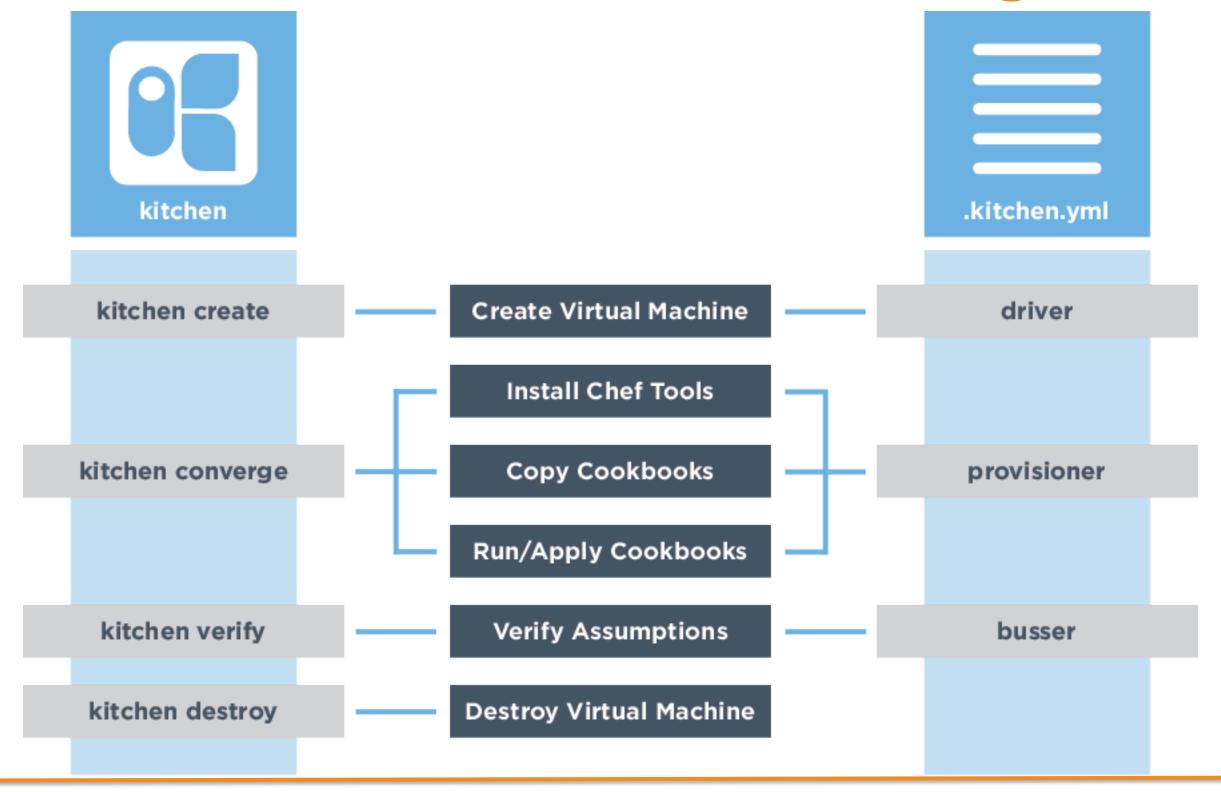
Run/Apply Cookbooks

Verify Assumptions

Destroy Virtual Machine



Test Kitchen Commands and Configuration





What Can 'kitchen' Do?



\$ kitchen --help

```
Commands:
                                          # Kitchen Console!
  kitchen console
  kitchen converge [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Converge one or more instances
  kitchen create [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Create one or more instances
  kitchen destroy [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Destroy one or more instances
  . . .
  kitchen help [COMMAND]
                                          # Describe available commands or one specif...
  kitchen init
                                          # Adds some configuration to your cookbook...
  kitchen list [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Lists one or more instances
  kitchen setup [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Setup one or more instances
  kitchen test [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Test one or more instances
  kitchen verify [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]
                                          # Verify one or more instances
  kitchen version
                                          # Print Kitchen's version information
```



What Can 'kitchen init' Do?



\$ kitchen --help init

Init will add Test Kitchen support to an existing project for convergence integration testing. A default .kitchen.yml file (which is intended to be customized) is created in the project's root directory and one or more gems will be added to the project's Gemfile.



Do We Have a kitchen.yml?



\$ tree cookbooks/workstation -a

```
.kitchen.yml
metadata.rb
README.md
recipes
   default.rb
setup.rb
spec
  - spec_helper.rb
unit
       recipes
        default spec.rb
test
```



What is Inside .kitchen.yml?



\$ cat cookbooks/workstation/kitchen.yml

```
driver:
  name: vagrant
provisioner:
  name: chef zero
verifier:
  name: inspec
platforms:
  - name: ubuntu-16.04
  - name: centos-7.2
```





kitchen.yml

When chef generates a cookbook, a default kitchen.yml is created. It contains kitchen configuration for the driver, provisioner, platform, and suites.

http://kitchen.ci/docs/getting-started/creating-cookbook



Demo: The kitchen Driver



~/cookbooks/workstation/.kitchen.yml

```
driver:
  name: vagrant
provisioner:
  name: chef zero
verifier:
  name: inspec
platforms:
  - name: ubuntu-16.04
  - name: centos-7.2
```

The driver is responsible for creating a machine that we'll use to test our cookbook.

Example Drivers:

- docker
- vagrant



Demo: The kitchen Provisioner



~/cookbooks/workstation/.kitchen.yml

```
driver:
  name: vagrant
provisioner:
  name: chef zero
verifier:
  name: inspec
platforms:
  - name: ubuntu-16.04
```

name: centos-7.2

This tells Test Kitchen how to run Chef, to apply the code in our cookbook to the machine under test.

The default and simplest approach is to use **chef_zero**.

Chef Zero is a simple, easy-install, in-memory Chef server that can be useful for Chef Client testing and chef-solo-like tasks that require a full Chef Server.

chef_solo is an open source version of the chef-client that allows using cookbooks with nodes without requiring access to a Chef server. chef-solo runs locally and requires that a cookbook (and any of its dependencies) be on the same physical disk as the node.



Demo: The kitchen Verifier



~/cookbooks/workstation/.kitchen.yml

```
driver:
  name: vagrant
provisioner:
  name: chef zero
verifier:
  name: inspec
platforms:
  - name: ubuntu-16.04
    name: centos-7.2
```

This tells Test Kitchen how to verify the converged instances.

The default approach is to use InSpec.



Demo: The kitchen Platforms



~/cookbooks/workstation/.kitchen.yml

```
driver:
  name: vagrant
provisioner:
  name: chef zero
verifier:
  name: inspec
platforms:
  - name: ubuntu-16.04
  - name: centos-7.2
```

This is a list of operation systems on which we want to run our code.



Demo: The kitchen Suites



~/cookbooks/workstation/.kitchen.yml

```
suites:
  - name: default
    run list:
      - recipe[workstation::default]
    verifier:
      inspec tests:
        - test/recipes
    attributes:
```

This section defines what we want to test. It includes the Chef run-list of recipes that we want to test.

We define a single suite named "default".



Demo: The kitchen Suites



~/cookbooks/workstation/.kitchen.yml

```
suites:
  - name: default
    run list:
      - recipe[workstation::default]
    verifier:
      inspec tests:
        - test/recipes
    attributes:
```

The suite named "default" defines a run list.

Run the "workstation" cookbook's "default" recipe file.





Kitchen Test Matrix

Kitchen defines a list of instances, or test matrix, based on the platforms multiplied by the suites.

PLATFORMS x SUITES

Running kitchen list will show that matrix.



Example: Kitchen Test Matrix

```
$ kitchen list
                                           Verifier
Instance
                     Driver
                              Provisioner
                                                     Transport Last Action
default-ubuntu-1204 Vagrant
                              ChefZero
                                                     Ssh
                                                               <Not Created>
                                           Busser
default-centos-65
                                                     Ssh
                     Vagrant
                              ChefZero
                                                               <Not Created>
                                           Busser
```





Example: Kitchen Test Matrix

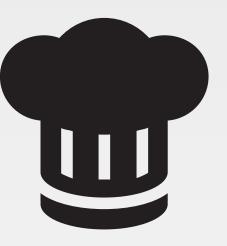
```
$ kitchen list
                     Driver
                                           Verifier
Instance
                              Provisioner
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default-ubuntu-1204 Vagrant
                              ChefZero
                                                               <Not Created>
                                                     Ssh
                                           Busser
default-centos-65
                              ChefZero
                                                     Ssh
                     Vagrant
                                                               <Not Created>
                                           Busser
```

```
platforms:
suites:
                                           - name: ubuntu-12.04
  - name: default
    run list:
                                           - name: centos-6.5
      - recipe[workstation::default]
```

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attributes:



Test Workstation cookbook

What are we running in production? Maybe I could test the cookbook against a virtual machine.

Objective:

- □ Configure the "workstation" cookbook kitchen.yml to use the Docker driver and ubuntu-16.04 platform
- ☐ Use kitchen converge to apply the recipe on a virtual machine



GL: Move into the Cookbook's Directory



\$ cd cookbooks/workstation





GL: Edit the Kitchen Configuration File



~/cookbooks/workstation/kitchen.yml

driver: name: docker use sudo: false provisioner: name: chef zero product name: chef product version: 15 verifier: name: inspec platforms: - name: ubuntu-16.04 suites: - name: default verifier: inspec tests: - test/integration/default attributes:





In order to make the driver 'docker' work

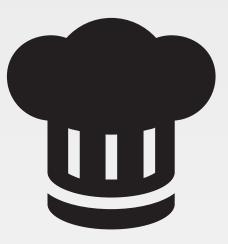
Install DOCKER

curl https://get.docker.com/ | bash

Install docker gem chef gem install kitchen-docker

Provide docker sudo access sudo usermod -a -G docker \$USER In our AMI, these steps are already done





Introduction to Docker

Objective:

□ Introduction to Docker



GL: Look at the Test Matrix



\$ kitchen list





Kitchen Create

kitchen create kitchen converge

kitchen verify

\$ kitchen create [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]

Create one or more instances.





Check Docker

- \$ sudo docker images
- \$ sudo docker ps





Kitchen Converge

kitchen create kitchen converge

kitchen verify

\$ kitchen converge [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]

Create the instance (if necessary) and then apply the run list to one or more instances.





Kitchen Verify

kitchen create kitchen converge

kitchen verify

\$ kitchen verify [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]

Run inspec





Kitchen Destroy

kitchen create kitchen converge

kitchen verify

\$ kitchen destroy

Destroy the created kitchen





Recap

So far, cookbook **workstation** has been tested for ubuntu-16 Next, we will

- Test cookbook apache for one platform (ubuntu16)
- Test cookbook apache for multiple platforms (ubuntu16 and centos6)
- Test cookbook apache with cookbook workstation as a dependency





Test Apache cookbook – single platform

We want to validate that our run-list installs correctly.

□ Within the "apache" cookbook use kitchen converge for the default suite on the ubuntu-16.04 platform



Lab: Configuring Test Kitchen for Apache



~/cookbooks/apache/kitchen.yml

driver: name: docker use sudo: false provisioner: name: chef zero product name: chef product version: 15 verifier: name: inspec platforms: - name: ubuntu-16.04 suites: - name: default verifier: inspec tests: - test/integration/default attributes:





Lab: Configuring Test Kitchen for Apache

Did you see any error in running kitchen converge?

~/cookbooks/apache/recipes/default.rb

Remove include recipe 'workstation::setup'

~/cookbooks/apache/metadata.rb

Remove depends 'workstation'

Run kitchen converge again!!





Test Apache cookbook (multi-platform)

We want to validate that our run-list installs correctly.

□ Within the "apache" cookbook use kitchen converge for the default suite on the ubuntu-16.04 and centos-6.7 platform





~/cookbooks/apache/kitchen.yml

```
driver:
 name: docker
 use sudo: false
provisioner:
 name: chef zero
 product name: chef
 product version: 15
verifier:
 name: inspec
platforms:
 - name: ubuntu-16.04
 - name: centos-6.7
suites:
 - name: default
  verifier:
   inspec tests:
     - test/integration/default
  attributes:
```





Did you see any error in running kitchen converge?

This is because ubuntu and centos supports different web servers. Let's change the server.rb file





~/cookbooks/apache/recipe/server.rb

```
case node[:platform]
when "ubuntu", "debian"
 package "apache2" do
  action:install
 end
when "centos", "redhat", "amazon"
 package "httpd" do
  action:install
 end
end
case node[:platform]
when "ubuntu", "debian"
 service "apache2" do
  action [:start, :enable]
when "centos", "redhat", "amazon"
 service "httpd" do
  action [:start, :enable]
 end
end
file '/var/www/html/index.html' do
content '<h1>Hello, world!</h1>'
end
```

Check the platform using NODE object and install appropriate package

Check the platform using NODE object and start the appropriate service

Create index.html file





** Note: for centos7+ version, make more changes

```
driver:
  name: docker
  use sudo: false
  privileged: true
provisioner:
  name: chef zero
verifier:
  name: inspec
platforms:
  - name: centos-7.3
    driver:
      platform: rhel
      run command: /usr/lib/systemd/systemd
```



Test Apache cookbook – with dependency on Workstation cookbook (single or multiple platforms)

We want to validate that our run-list installs correctly.

□ Within the "apache" cookbook use kitchen converge for the default suite on the ubuntu-16.04 and centos-6.7 platform and include cookbook workstation





~/cookbooks/apache/kitchen.yml

```
driver:
 name: docker
 use sudo: false
provisioner:
 name: chef zero
 product name: chef
 product version: 15
verifier:
 name: inspec
platforms:
 - name: ubuntu-16.04
 - name: centos-6.7
suites:
 - name: default
  verifier:
   inspec tests:
    - test/integration/default
  attributes:
```







~/cookbooks/apache/recipe/default.rb

```
include recipe 'apache::server'
                                                           include workstation recipe
include recipe 'workstation::setup'
```

~/cookbooks/apache/metadata.rb

```
depends 'workstation'
                                                                    Add workstation cookbook dependency
```

~/cookbooks/apache/Policyfile.rb

```
name 'apache'
                                                         Add workstation cookbook dependency
default source : supermarket
run list 'apache::default'
cookbook 'apache', path: '.'
cookbook 'workstation', path: '../workstation'
```





Test Kitchen

What is being tested when kitchen converges a recipe without error?

What is NOT being tested when kitchen converges the recipe without error?





Test Kitchen

What is left to validate to ensure that the cookbook successfully applied the policy defined in the recipe?





Kitchen Destroy



Destroys one or more instances.





Kitchen Test

kitchen destroy kitchen converge kitchen verify kitchen destroy

\$ kitchen test [INSTANCE|REGEXP|all]

Destroys (for clean-up), creates, converges, verifies and then destroys one or more instances.





InSpec

InSpec tests your servers' actual state by executing command locally, via SSH, via WinRM, via Docker API and so on.

https://www.inspec.io/docs/reference/resources/

http://inspec.io/





Where do Tests Live?

apache/test/recipes/default_test.rb

Test Kitchen will look for tests to run under this directory.

This is configurable in the kitchen configuration file (.kitchen.yml) in the suites section.



GL: Example Tests



~/cookbooks/apache/test/recipes/default_test.rb

```
unless os.windows?
  describe user('root') do
    it { should exist }
    skip 'This is an example...test.'
  end
end
describe port(80) do
  it { should not be listening }
  skip 'This is an example... test.'
end
```

When not on windows a user named `root` should exist.

The port 80 should not be listening for incoming connections.



GL: Describing the Resources



~/cookbooks/apache/test/recipes/default_test.rb

```
unless os.windows?
  describe user('root') do
    it { should exist }
    skip 'This is an example...test.'
  end
end
describe port(80) do
  it { should not be listening }
  skip 'This is an example... test.'
end
```

A user named 'root'

The port 80

https://relishapp.com/rspec/rspec-core/v/3-3/docs



GL: Describing the State of the Resources



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    it { should exist }
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  end
end
describe port(80) do
  it { should not be listening }
  skip 'This is an example... test.'
end
```

The user named 'root' should exist.

The port 80 should not be listening.

https://relishapp.com/rspec/rspec-core/v/3-3/docs



GL: The 'skip' Reminds Us to Remove These Tests



~/cookbooks/apache/test/recipes/default_test.rb

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unless os.windows?
  describe user('root') do
    it { should exist }
    skip 'This is an example...test.'
  end
end
describe port(80) do
  it { should not be listening }
  skip 'This is an example... test.'
end
```

skip will show a message in the test results.

These skips will remind you that the following expectations are only examples.



GL: Adding a New Test

~/cookbooks/apache/test/recipes/default_test.rb

```
unless os.windows?
  describe user('root') do
    it { should exist }
    skip 'This is an example...test.'
  end
end
describe port(80) do
  it { should not be listening }
  skip 'This is an example... test.'
end
describe package('tree') do
  it { should be installed }
end
```

GL: Return Home and Move into the Cookbook



\$ cd ~/cookbooks/apache



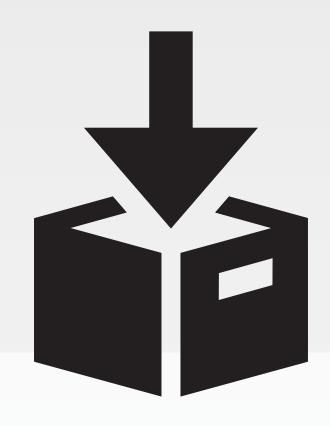
GL: Running the Specification



\$ kitchen verify

```
----> Starting Kitchen (v1.11.1) ...
----> Verifying <default-centos-67>...
       Use `/home/chef/cookbooks/workstation/test/recipes/default` for testing
Target: ssh://kitchen@localhost:32768
     User root should exist
     Port 80 should not be listening
     System Package tree should be installed
Summary: 3 successful, 0 failures
       Finished verifying <default-centos-67> (0m1.39s).
----> Kitchen is finished. (0m2.76s)
```





GL: Commit Your Work

- \$ cd ~/cookbooks/workstation
- \$ git add.
- \$ git status
- \$ git commit -m "Add first test for default test suite"



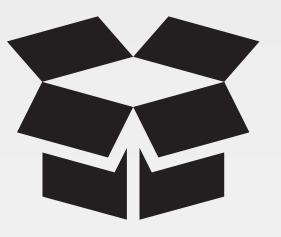


More Tests

What are other resources within the recipe that we could test?



Testing a File



InSpec can help us assert different characteristics about files on the file system. Like if it is a file, directory, socket or symlink.

InSpec can also help us assert the file's mode, owner or group or if the file is readable, writeable, or executable. Inspec is even able to verify the data contained within the file.

http://inspec.io/docs/reference/resources/file



Write more test cases



Within the "apache" cookbook, write more test specs

- ☐ Test if the installed package "tree" has version > 1.0 → This should pass.
- □ Test if file "/etc/motd" is present
 → This should pass
- □ Test if file "/etc/motd" is a file or a directory
 → This should pass
- □ Test if file "/etc/motd" content has the word "Property" → This should pass
- □ Test if file "/etc/motd" content exactly matches "xxx" → This should fail
- □ Test if port 80 is listening
 → This should pass
- Test curl command



File Test Cases

```
# Test if a file is file
describe file('/etc/motd') do
  it { should be file }
end
# Test the content of file
describe file ('/etc/motd') do
  its('content') { should match /this is me/ }
end
# Test the owner of the file
describe file('/etc/motd') do
  it { should be_owned_by 'root' }
end
# Test the content of the file
describe file('/etc/motd') do
 its('content') { should match(%r{.*Proper.*}) }
end
```

Package Test Cases

```
describe package('tree') do
  it { should be installed }
  its('version') { should cmp >= '1.0' }
end
# Test port listening
describe port(80) do
  it { should be listening }
end
# Test curl command
describe command('curl localhost') do
  its('stdout') { should match('Hello, world') }
end
```

Lab: Running the Specification



\$ kitchen verify

```
----> Starting Kitchen (v1.11.1)
----> Verifying <default-centos-67>...
       Use `/home/chef/cookbooks/workstation/test/recipes/default` for testing
Target: ssh://kitchen@localhost:32768
     User root should exist
     Port 80 should not be listening
     System Package tree should be installed
     File /etc/motd should be owned by "root"; File /etc/motd con...
Summary: 5 successful, 0 failures, 0 skipped
       Finished verifying <default-centos-67> (0m1.43s).
```





Testing

What are some things we could test to validate our web server has deployed correctly?

What manual tests do we use now to validate a working web server?



Lab 120 minutes



https://github.com/shekhar2010us/chef-essentials-repo-

15/blob/master/labs/chapter%205.md





Discussion

Why do you have to run kitchen within the directory of the cookbook?

Where would you define additional platforms?

Why would you define a new test suite?

What are the limitations of using Test Kitchen to validate recipes?





Q&A

What questions can we help you answer?

- Test Kitchen
- kitchen commands
- kitchen configuration
- InSpec



