

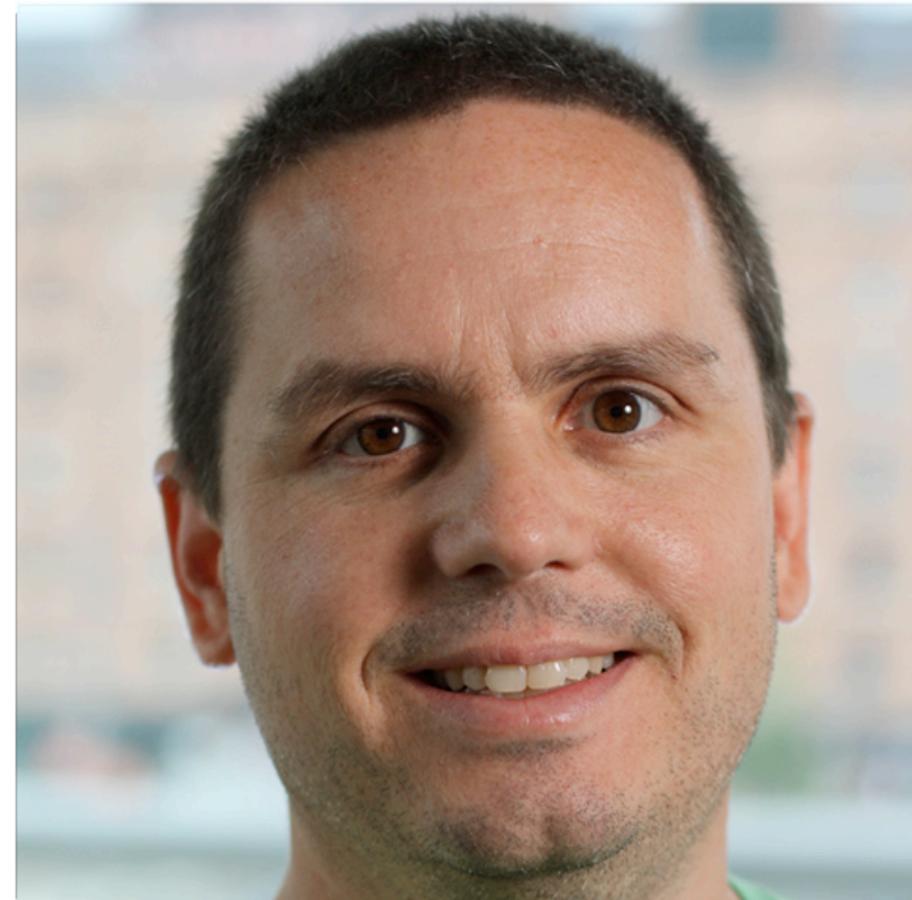
Set Up a Node & Write a Cookbook

Chef Fundamentals Webinar Series

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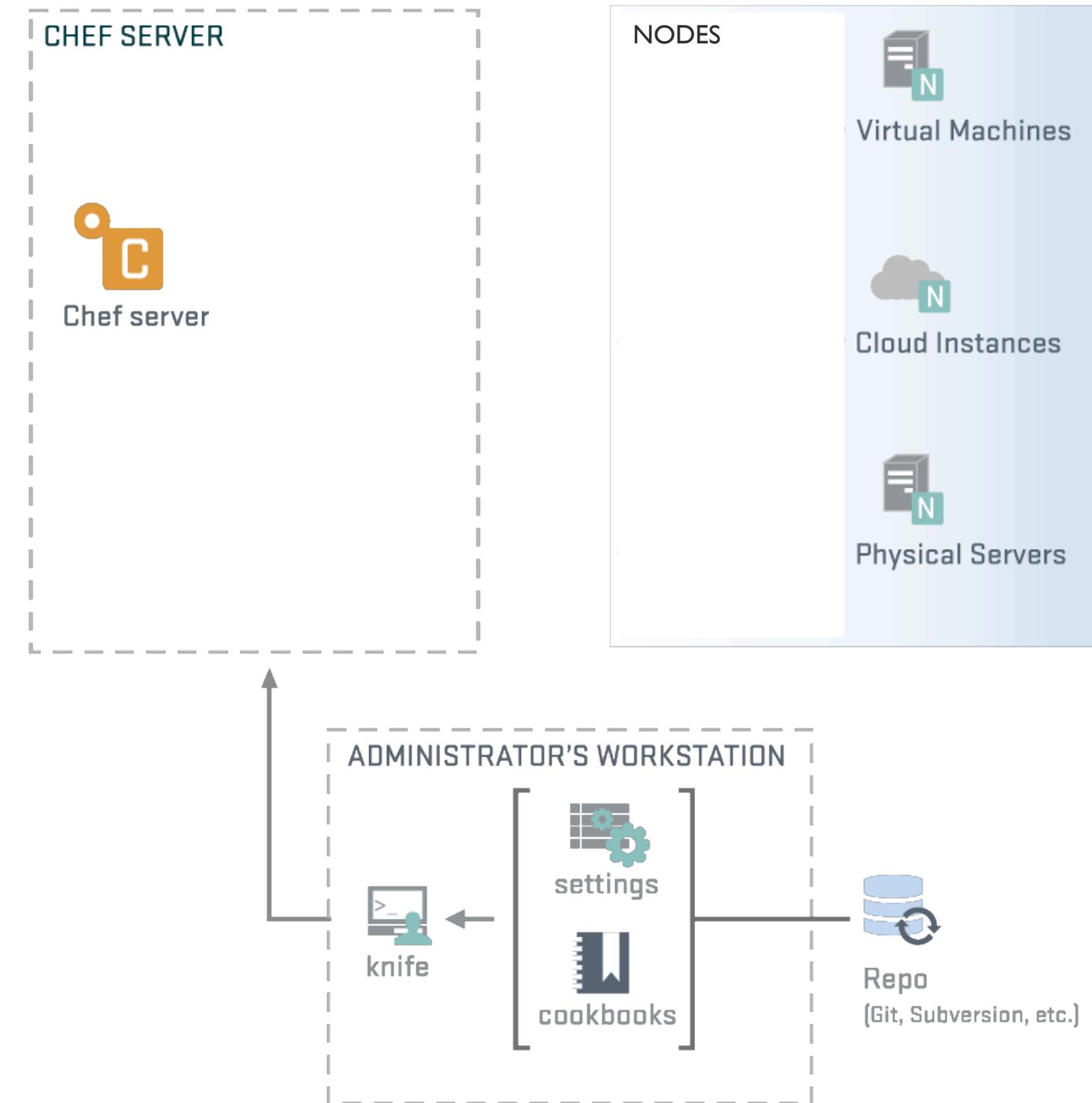
Node Setup

Setup a Node to manage

Lesson Objectives

- After completing the lesson, you will be able to
 - Install Chef nodes using “knife bootstrap”
 - Explain how knife bootstrap configures a node to use the Organization created in the previous section
 - Explain the basic configuration needed to run chef-client

Nodes



Nodes

- Nodes represent the servers in your infrastructure
these may be
 - Physical or virtual servers
 - Hardware that you own
 - Compute instances in a public or private cloud

We Have No Nodes Yet

The screenshot shows the Opscode Manage web interface. At the top, there's a dark header bar with the "OPSCODE MANAGE" logo on the left. To the right of the logo are three tabs: "Nodes" (which is the active tab, indicated by a blue background), "Policies", and "Administrative". Below the header, the main content area has a light gray background. On the left side, there's a sidebar with a light gray background containing the following links: "Delete", "Manage Tags", "Reset Key", "Edit Run List", and "Edit Attributes". In the center of the main content area, the text "Showing All Nodes" is displayed in a dark font. Below this, a light gray callout box contains the message "There are no items to display." with an information icon.

OPSCODE MANAGE

Nodes Policies Administrative

> Nodes

Delete

Manage Tags

Reset Key

Edit Run List

Edit Attributes

Showing All Nodes

There are no items to display.

Training Node

- The labs require a node to be managed
- We allow for four different options
 - Bring your own Node
 - Use Vagrant from the Starter Kit
 - Launch an instance of a public AMI on EC2
 - Use the Chef Fundamentals training lab

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Welcome to #learnchef

#learnchef is a broad collection of resources specifically designed to help you learn Chef.

Chef Fundamentals Webinar Series

Join our free weekly webinar series aimed at guiding you down the #learnchef path.

This series will prepare key development, engineering, and operations staff to use Chef. Each unit in the course has hands on exercises to reinforce the material. You will learn Chef by doing. At the end of the class, you will have a code repository that can be used and modified to solve your business problems.

Join Opscode Community Manager [Nathan Harvey](#) as he covers:

- Week 1 - [Overview of Chef](#)
- Week 2 - [Getting Started with Chef](#)
- Week 3 - **Setup a Node & Write Your First Cookbook (31-Oct-2013)**
- Week 4 - [Cookbooks & Data Sources](#)
- Week 5 - [Working with Templates \(14-Nov-2013\)](#)
- Week 6 - [Roles, Community Cookbooks, & Further Resources \(21-Nov-2013\)](#)

Training Lab Requirements

Training Lab Requirements:

You will need a server or virtual machine in order to complete the training lab exercises. There are four different options that you may use.

To participate in the labs for module 3, you will need the following

- Hostname or IP Address of your training lab server
- SSH Username
- SSH Password
- SSH Port (default is 22)

Watch the [Chef Fundamentals Webinar - Training Lab Setup video](#) for more information on setting up your training lab.

BETA Chef Training Lab

- Login to the Lab
 - <https://use.cloudshare.com/>
- Make sure your environment is ready
- Runtime: 24 Hours
- Auto-suspend after: 1 Hour
- Storage time: 7 Days

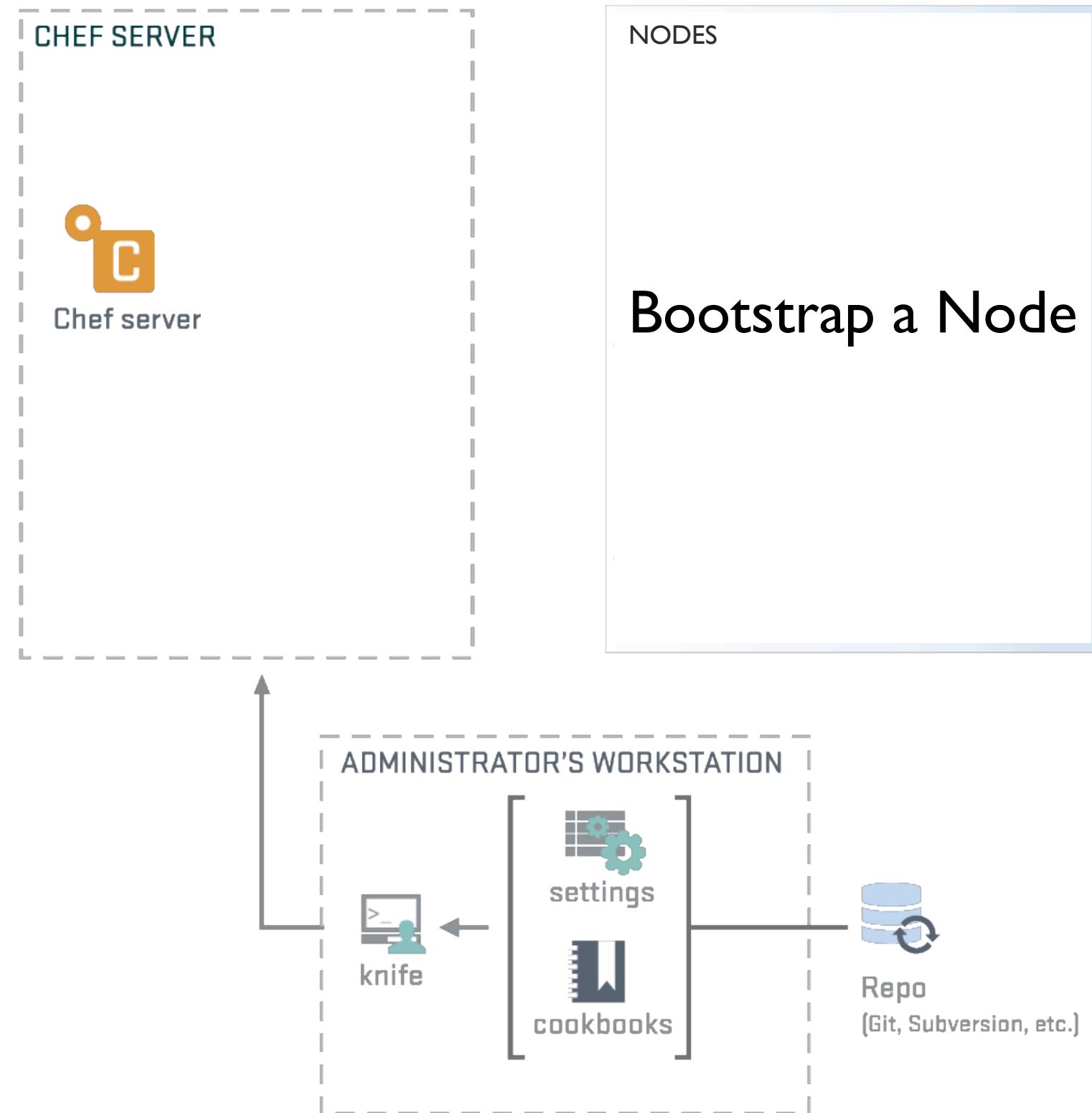
Your Node

- Hostname or IP Address
 - SSH Username
 - SSH Password
 - SSH Port (default is 22)
-
- SSH credentials for the Training Lab & the EC2 AMI
 - **username:** opscode
 - **password:** opscode

Checkpoint

- At this point you should have
 - One virtual machine (VM) or server that you'll use for the lab exercises
 - The IP address or public hostname
 - An application for establishing an ssh connection
 - sudo or root permissions on the VM

Checkpoint



Bootstrap the Target Instance

```
$ knife bootstrap --help
```

```
knife bootstrap FQDN (options)
  --sudo
  -x, --ssh-user USERNAME
  -P, --ssh-password PASSWORD
  -p, --ssh-port PORT
  -N, --node-name NAME
  -r, --run-list RUN_LIST
```

--sudo	Execute the bootstrap via sudo
-x, --ssh-user USERNAME	The ssh username
-P, --ssh-password PASSWORD	The ssh password
-p, --ssh-port PORT	The ssh port
-N, --node-name NAME	The Chef node name for your new node
-r, --run-list RUN_LIST	Comma separated list of roles/recipes to apply

knife bootstrap

- HOSTNAME or IP Address of your machine
 - --sudo
 - -x YOUR_SSH_USERNAME
 - -P YOUR_SSH_PASSWORD
 - -p YOUR_SSH_PORT (defaults to 22)
 - -N "target1"

knife bootstrap - Lab or AMI

- HOSTNAME or IP Address of your machine
 - --sudo
 - -x opscode
 - -P opscode
 - -N "target1"
- No need for -p, uses the default ssh port

Bootstrap the Target Instance

```
$ knife bootstrap IPADDRESS --sudo -x opscode -P opscode -N "target1"
```

```
Bootstrapping Chef on ec2-54-211-119-145.compute-1.amazonaws.com
ec2-54-211-119-145.compute-1.amazonaws.com knife sudo password:
Enter your password:
...
...
ec2-54-211-119-145.compute-1.amazonaws.com Converging 0 resources
ec2-54-211-119-145.compute-1.amazonaws.com
ec2-54-211-119-145.compute-1.amazonaws.com Chef Client finished, 0
resources updated
ec2-54-211-119-145.compute-1.amazonaws.com
```

local workstation

managed node
(VM)

```
$ knife bootstrap IPADDRESS --sudo -x USERNAME -P PASSWORD -N target1
```

local workstation

managed node
(VM)

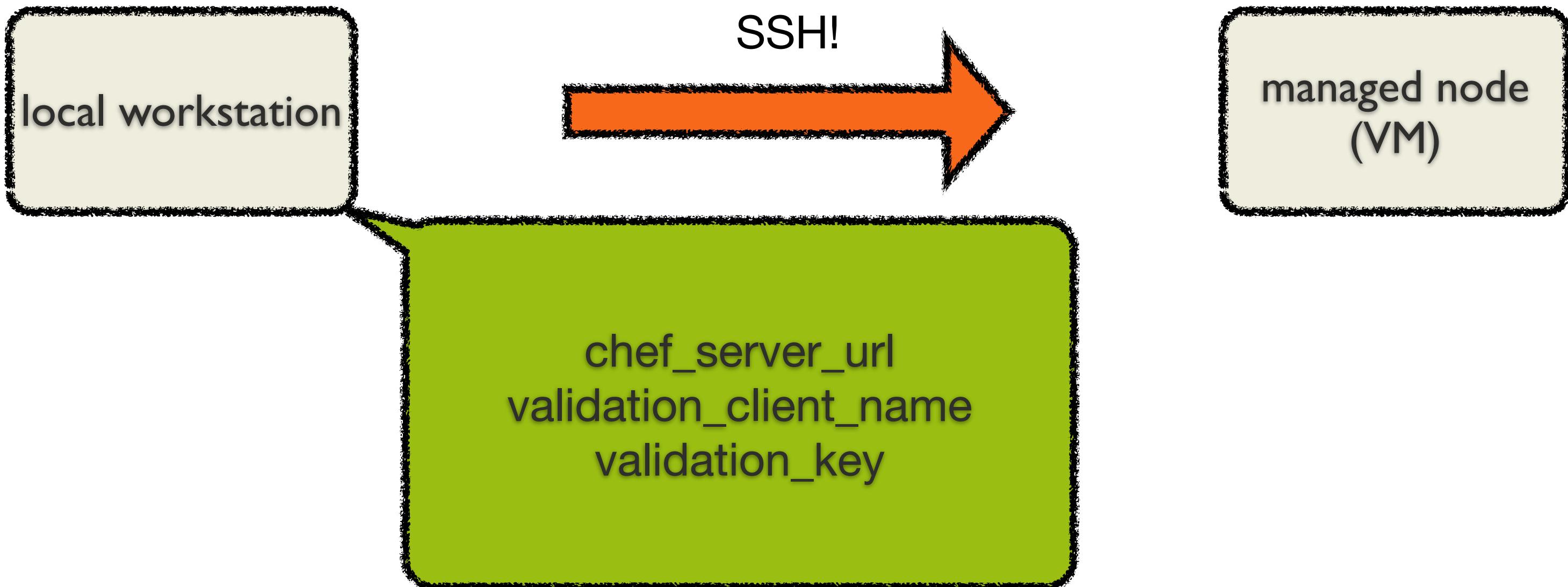
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```

local workstation



managed node
(VM)

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```



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```

local workstation

SSH!



managed node
(VM)



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$ knife bootstrap IPADDRESS --sudo -x USERNAME -P PASSWORD -N target1
```

local workstation

SSH!

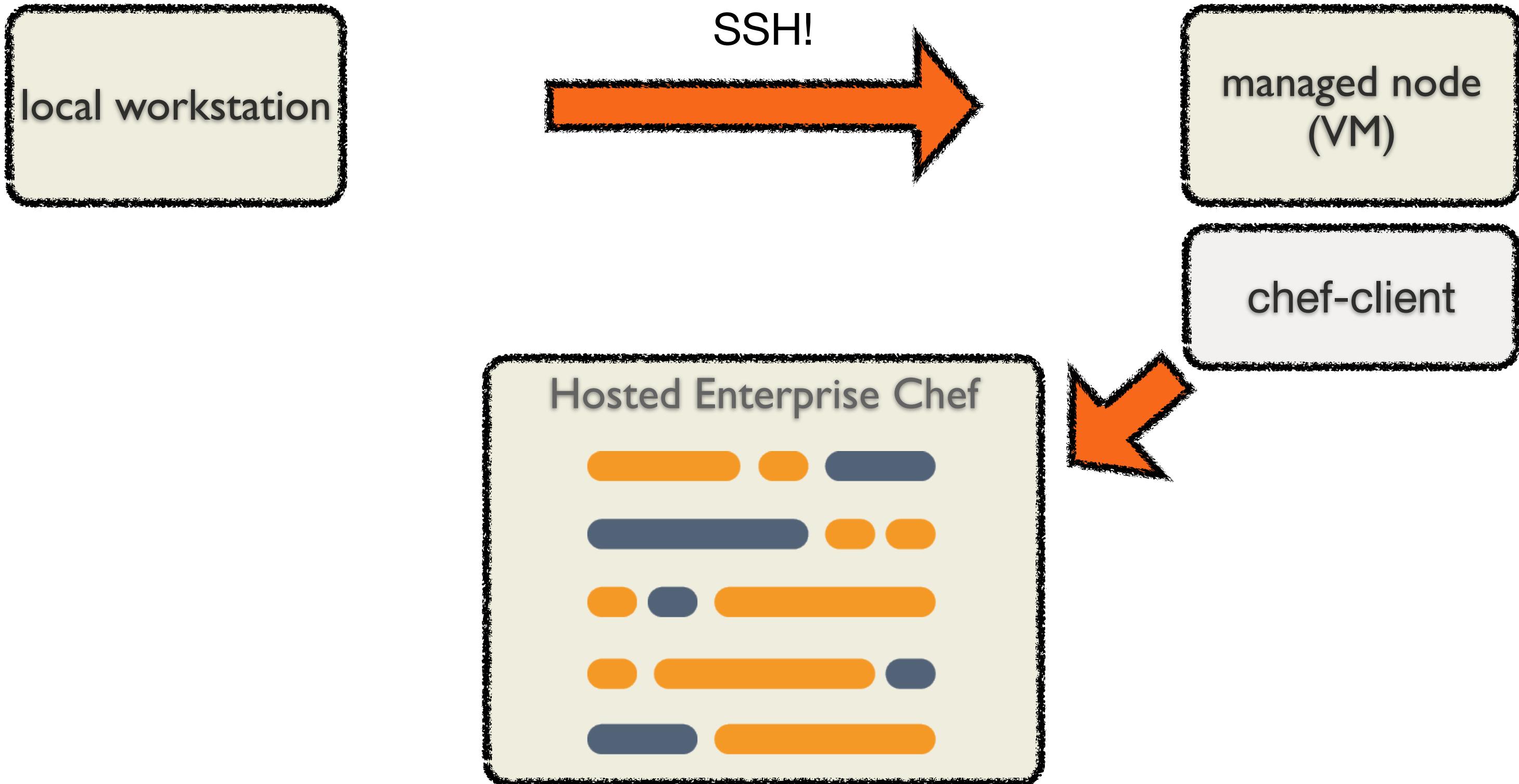


managed node
(VM)



bash -c '
install chef
configure client
run chef'

```
$ knife bootstrap IPADDRESS --sudo -x USERNAME -P PASSWORD -N target1
```

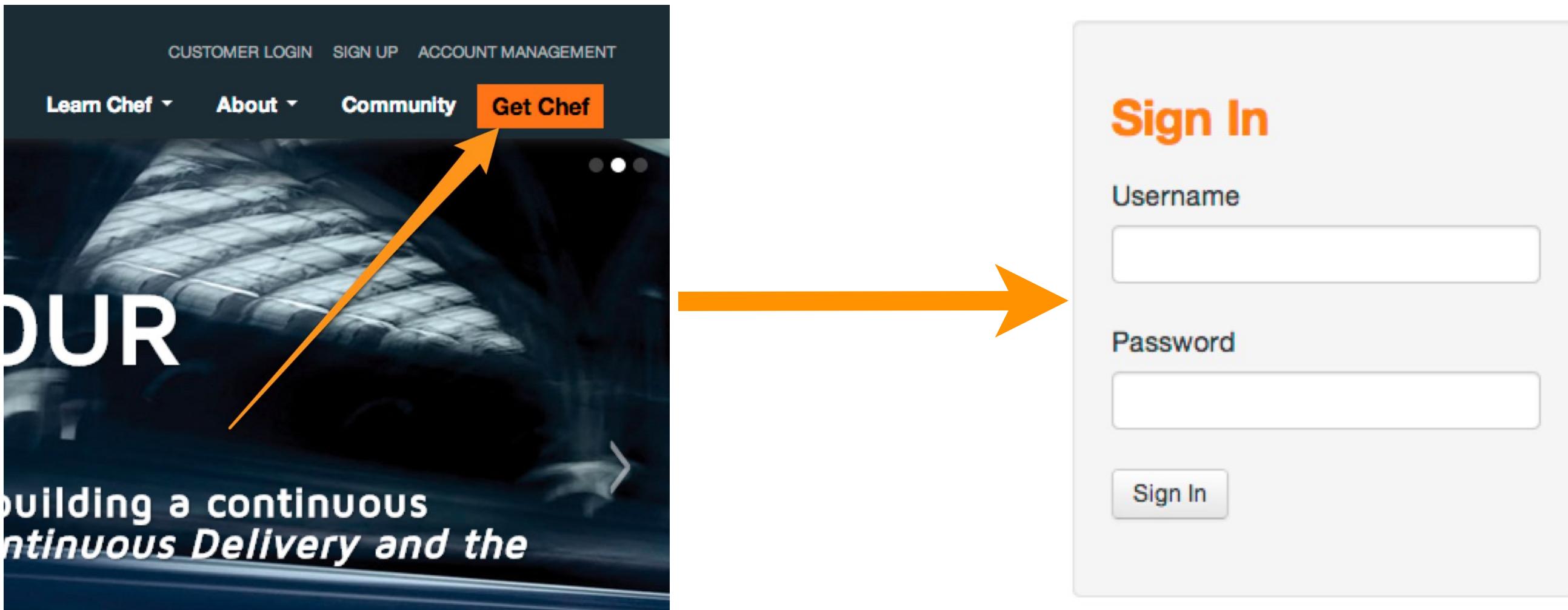


What just happened?

- Chef and all of its dependencies installed via an operating system-specific package ("omnibus installer")
- Installation includes
 - The Ruby language - used by Chef
 - knife - Command line tool for administrators
 - chef-client - Client application
 - ohai - System profiler
 - ...and more

View Node on Chef Server

- Login to your Hosted Enterprise Chef



View Node on Chef Server

The screenshot shows the Opscode Manage interface for viewing nodes. The top navigation bar includes the Opscode logo and tabs for Nodes, Policies, and Administrative. The left sidebar, under the 'Nodes' heading, contains links for Delete, Manage Tags, Reset Key, Edit Run List, and Edit Attributes. The main content area displays a table titled 'Showing All Nodes' with one row for 'target1'. The table has columns for Node Name, Platform, FQDN, and IP Address. The 'target1' row is highlighted with an orange background. At the bottom, a details panel for 'Node: target1' is shown with tabs for Details, Attributes, and Permissions.

Node Name	Platform	FQDN	IP Address
target1	ubuntu	ip-10-238-210-	10.238.210

Node: target1

Details Attributes Permissions

View Node on Chef Server

Nodes Policies Administrative

Showing All Nodes

Node Name	Platform	FQDN	IP Add
target1	ubuntu	ip-10-238-210-	10.238

Node: target1

Details Attributes Permissions

Attributes

Expand All Collapse All

tags:
+ languages
+ kernel
os: linux
os_version: 3.2.0-32-virtual
ohai_time: 1381893223.707349
+ network

Node

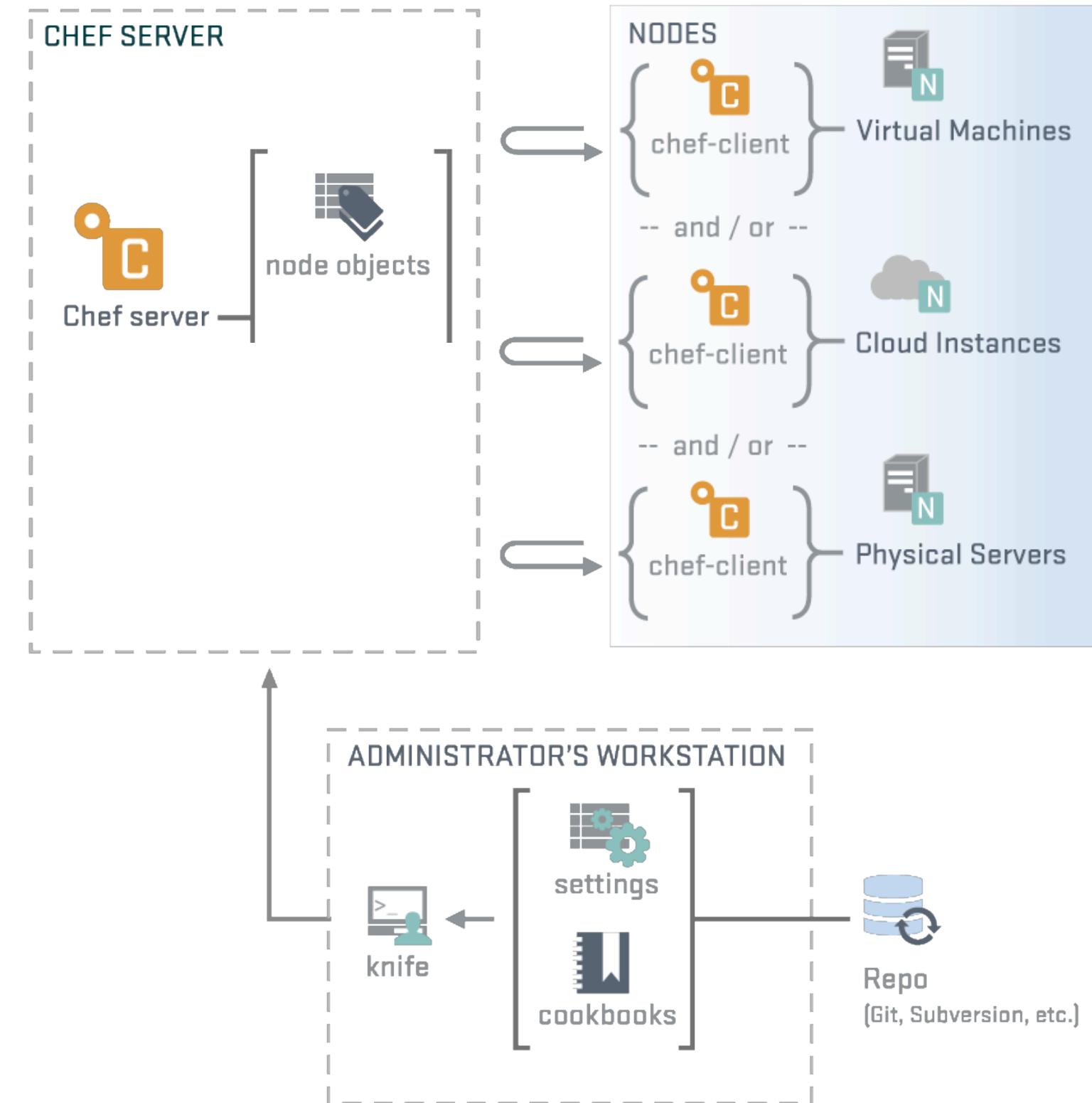
- The node is registered with Chef Server
- The Chef Server displays information about the node
- This information comes from Ohai

Ohai

```
"languages": {
  "ruby": {

  },
  "perl": {
    "version": "5.14.2",
    "archname": "x86_64-linux-gnu-thread-multi"
  },
  "python": {
    "version": "2.7.3",
    "builddate": "Aug 1
2012, 05:14:39"
  },
  "php": {
    "version": "5.3.10-lubuntu3.6",
    "builddate": "(cli)
(built: Mar"
  }
},
"kernel": {
  "name": "Linux", "release": "3.2.0-32-virtual",
  "version": "#51-Ubuntu SMP Wed
Sep 26 21:53:42 UTC 2012",
  "machine": "x86_64",
  "modules": {
    "isofs": {
      "size": "40257",
      "refcount": "0"
    },
    "acpiphp": {
      "size": "24231",
      "refcount": "0"
    }
  },
  "os": "GNU/Linux"
},
"os": "linux",
"os_version": "3.2.0-32-virtual",
"ohai_time": 1369328621.3456137,
"network": {
  "interfaces": {
    "lo": {
      "mtu": "16436",
      "flags": [
        "LOOPBACK", "UP", "LOWER_UP"
      ],
      "encapsulation": "Loopback",
      "addresses": {
        "127.0.0.1": {
          "family": "inet",
          "netmask": "255.0.0.0",
          "scope": "Node"
        },
        "::1": {
          "family": "inet6",
          "scope": "Node"
        }
      }
    },
    "eth0": {
      "type": "eth",
      "number": "0",
      "mac": "00:0C:29:4D:4E:00"
    }
  }
}
```

Checkpoint



Write a Cookbook

Packages, Cookbook Files, and Services

Lesson Objectives

- After completing the lesson, you will be able to
 - Describe what a **cookbook** is
 - Create a new cookbook
 - Explain what a **recipe** is
 - Describe how to use the **package**, **service**, and **cookbook_file** resources
 - **Upload a cookbook** to the Chef Server
 - Explain what a **run list** is, and how to set it for a node

What is a cookbook?

- A cookbook is like a “package” for Chef recipes.
 - It contains all the recipes, files, templates, libraries, etc. required to configure a portion of your infrastructure
- Typically they map 1:1 to a piece of software or functionality.

The Problem and the Success Criteria

- **The Problem:** We need a web server configured to serve up our home page.
- **Success Criteria:** We can see the homepage in a web browser.

Required steps

- Install Apache
- Start the service, and make sure it will start when the machine boots
- Write out the home page

Exercise: Create a new Cookbook

```
$ knife cookbook create apache
```

```
** Creating cookbook apache
** Creating README for cookbook: apache
** Creating CHANGELOG for cookbook: apache
** Creating metadata for cookbook: apache
```

Edit the default recipe



OPEN IN EDITOR: cookbooks/apache/recipes/default.rb

```
#  
# Cookbook Name:: apache  
# Recipe:: default  
#  
# Copyright 2013, YOUR_COMPANY_NAME  
#  
# All rights reserved - Do Not Redistribute  
#
```

Exercise: Add a package resource to install Apache to the default recipe



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```
#  
# Cookbook Name:: apache  
# Recipe:: default  
#  
# Copyright 2013, YOUR_COMPANY_NAME  
#  
# All rights reserved - Do Not Redistribute  
#
```

```
package "apache2" do  
  action :install  
end
```

SAVE FILE!

Chef Resources

```
package "haproxy" do
  action :install
end

template "/etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg" do
  source "haproxy.cfg.erb"
  owner "root"
  group "root"
  mode "0644"
  notifies :restart, "service[haproxy]"
end

service "haproxy" do
  supports :restart => :true
  action [:enable, :start]
end
```

Chef Resources

- Have a **type**

```
package "haproxy" do
  action :install
end

template "/etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg" do
  source "haproxy.cfg.erb"
  owner "root"
  group "root"
  mode "0644"
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end

service "haproxy" do
  supports :restart => :true
  action [:enable, :start]
end
```

Chef Resources

- Have a **type**
- Have a **name**

```
package "haproxy" do
  action :install
end

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  source "haproxy.cfg.erb"
  owner "root"
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end

service "haproxy" do
  supports :restart => :true
  action [:enable, :start]
end
```

Chef Resources

- Have a **type**
- Have a **name**
- Have **parameters**

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end
```

Chef Resources

- Have a **type**
- Have a **name**
- Have **parameters**
- Take **action** to put the resource into the desired state

```
package "haproxy" do
  action :install
end

template "/etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg" do
  source "haproxy.cfg.erb"
  owner "root"
  group "root"
  mode "0644"
  notifies :restart, "service[haproxy]"
end

service "haproxy" do
  supports :restart => :true
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

Chef Resources

- Have a **type**
- Have a **name**
- Have **parameters**
- Take **action** to put the resource into the desired state
- Can send **notifications** to other resources

```
package "haproxy" do
  action :install
end

template "/etc/haproxy/haproxy.cfg" do
  source "haproxy.cfg.erb"
  owner "root"
  group "root"
  mode "0644"
  notifies :restart, "service[haproxy]"
end

service "haproxy" do
  supports :restart => :true
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

```
package "apache2" do
  action :install
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **package** resource

```
package "apache2" do
  action :install
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **package** resource
- Whose **name** is *apache2*

```
package "apache2" do
  action :install
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **package** resource
- Whose **name** is **apache2**
- With an install **action**

```
package "apache2" do
  action :install
end
```

Notice we didn't say how to install the package

- Resources are **declarative** - that means we say *what* we want to have happen, rather than *how*
- Chef uses the **platform** the node is running to determine the correct **provider** for a resource

Exercise: Add a service resource to ensure the service is started and enabled at boot



OPEN IN EDITOR: cookbooks/apache/recipes/default.rb

```
...
# All rights reserved - Do Not Redistribute
#
package "apache2" do
  action :install
end

service "apache2" do
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

SAVE FILE!

So the resource we just wrote...

```
service "apache2" do
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **service** resource

```
service "apache2" do
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **service** resource
- Whose **name** is *apache2*

```
service "apache2" do
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **service** resource
- Whose **name** is *apache2*
- With two **actions**: **start** and **enable**

```
service "apache2" do
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

Order Matters

- Resources are executed in order

1st

2nd

3rd

```
package "haproxy" do
  action :install
end

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  source "haproxy.cfg.erb"
  owner "root"
  group "root"
  mode "0644"
  notifies :restart, "service[haproxy]"
end

service "haproxy" do
  supports :restart => :true
  action [:enable, :start]
end
```

Exercise: Add a `cookbook_file` resource to copy the home page in place



OPEN IN EDITOR: cookbooks/apache/recipes/default.rb

...

```
service "apache2" do
  action [ :enable, :start ]
end
```

```
cookbook_file "/var/www/index.html" do
  source "index.html"
  mode "0644"
end
```

SAVE FILE!

So the resource we just wrote...

```
cookbook_file "/var/www/index.html" do
  source "index.html"
  mode "0644"
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **cookbook_file** resource

```
cookbook_file "/var/www/index.html" do
  source "index.html"
  mode "0644"
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **cookbook_file** resource
- Whose **name** is */var/www/index.html*

```
cookbook_file "/var/www/index.html" do
  source "index.html"
  mode "0644"
end
```

So the resource we just wrote...

- Is a **cookbook_file** resource
- Whose **name** is */var/www/index.html*
- With two **parameters**:
 - **source** of *index.html*
 - **mode** of “0644”

```
cookbook_file "/var/www/index.html" do
  source "index.html"
  mode "0644"
end
```

Full contents of the apache recipe

```
#  
# Cookbook Name:: apache  
# Recipe:: default  
#  
# Copyright 2013, YOUR_COMPANY_NAME  
#  
# All rights reserved - Do Not Redistribute  
package "apache2" do  
  action :install  
end  
  
service "apache2" do  
  action [ :enable, :start ]  
end  
  
cookbook_file "/var/www/index.html" do  
  source "index.html"  
  mode "0644"  
end
```

Exercise: Add index.html to your cookbook's files/default directory



OPEN IN EDITOR: cookbooks/apache/files/default/index.html

```
<html>
<body>
  <h1>Hello, world!</h1>
</body>
</html>
```

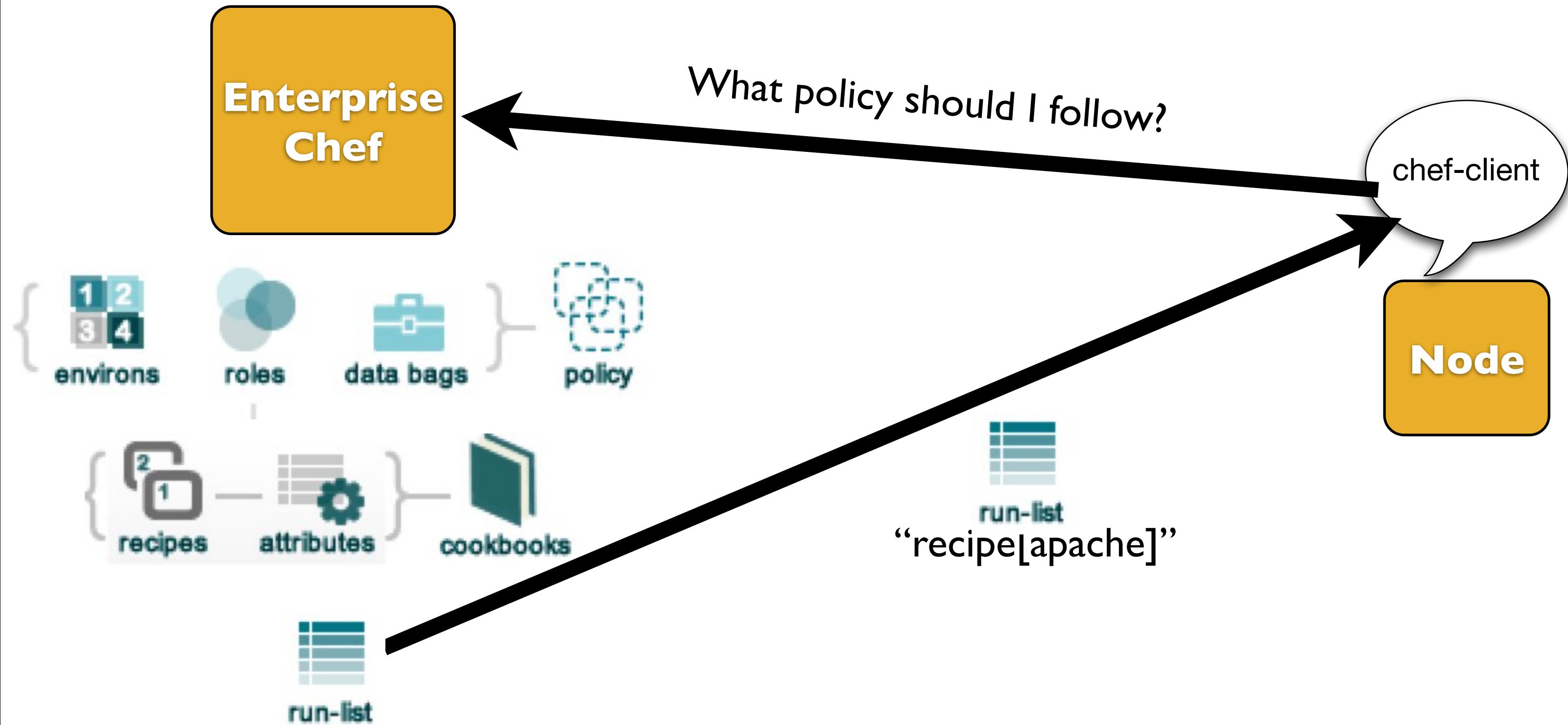
SAVE FILE!

Exercise: Upload the cookbook

```
$ knife cookbook upload apache
```

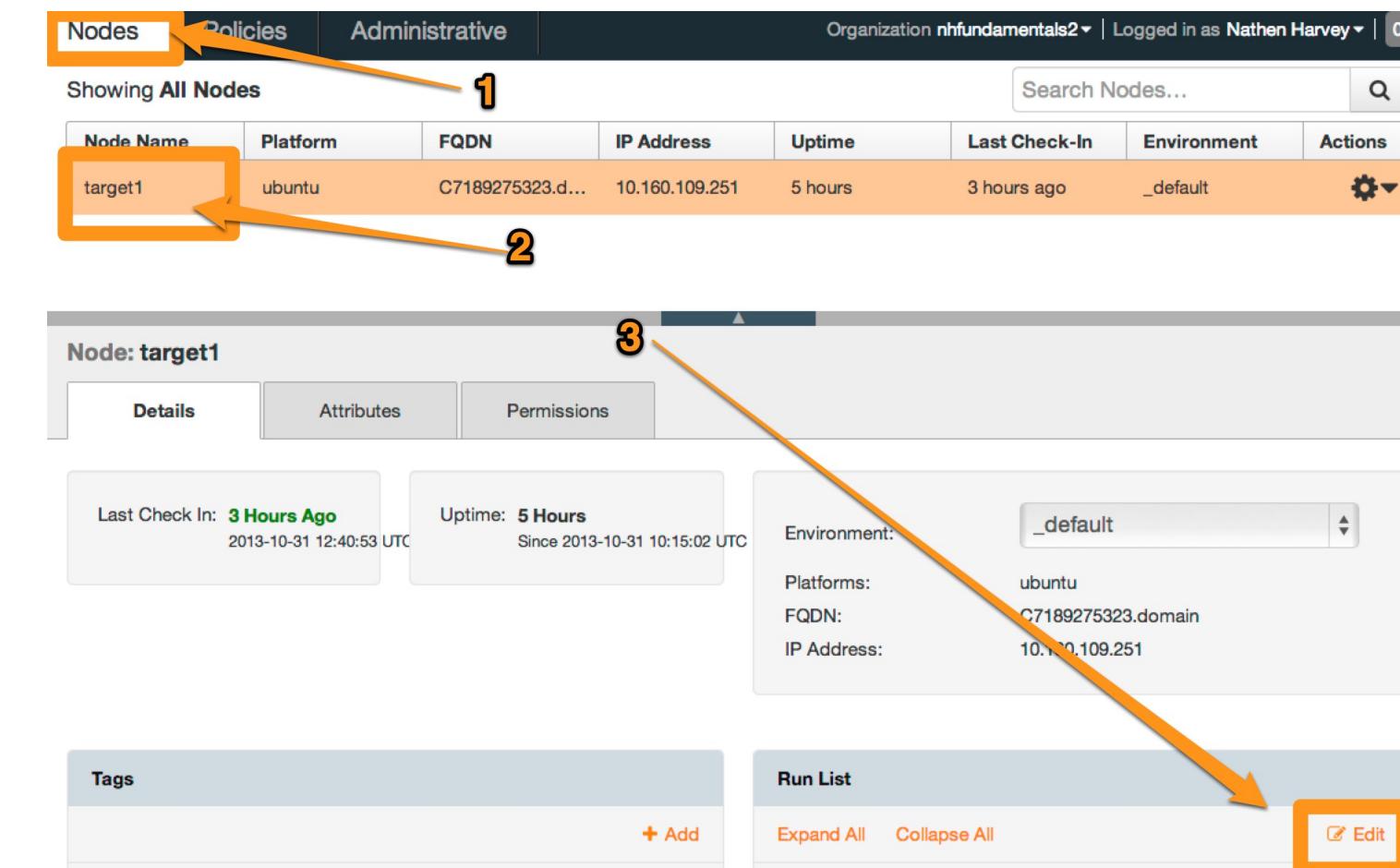
```
Uploading apache [0.1.0]
Uploaded 1 cookbook.
```

Run List



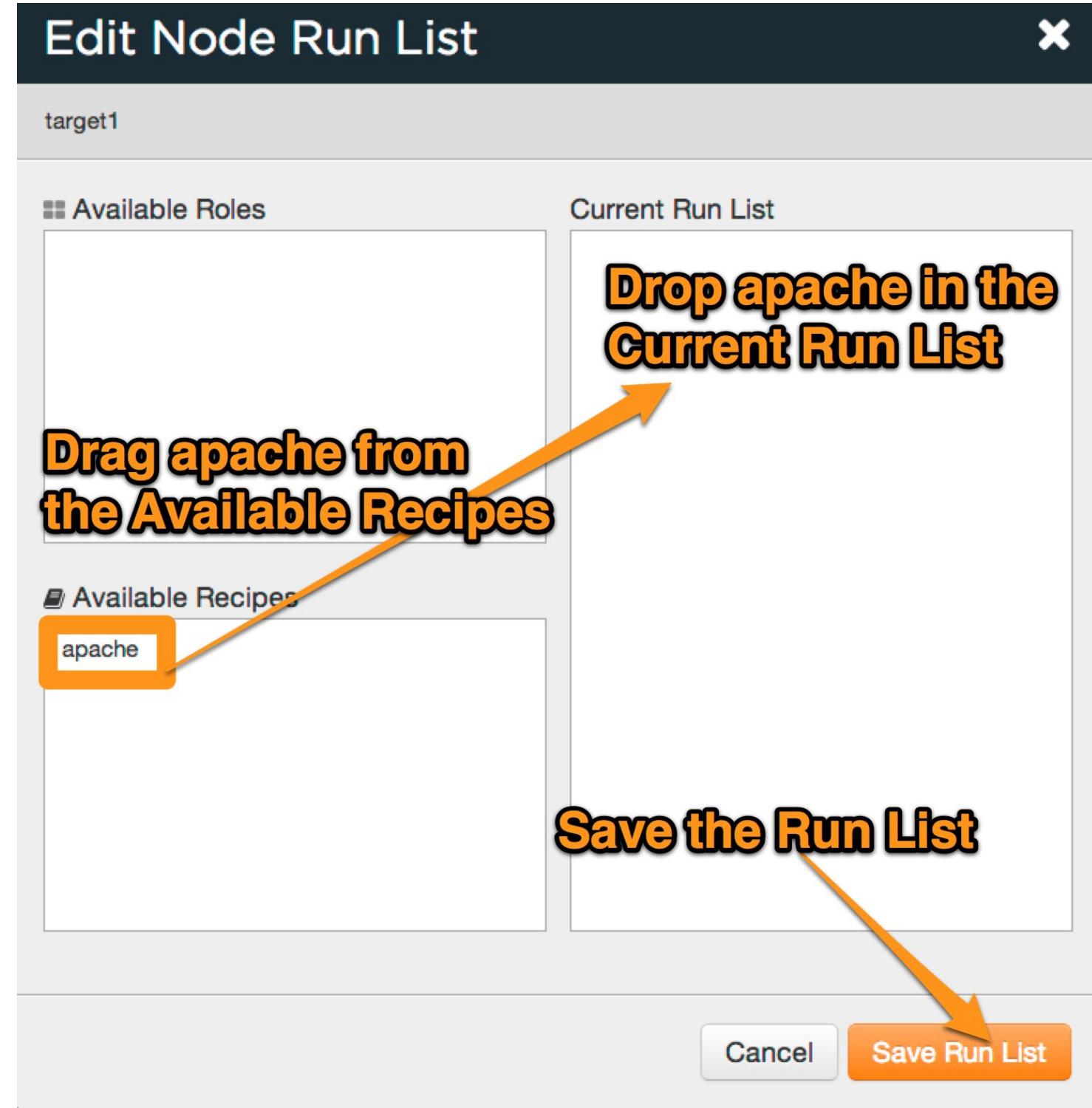
Update the Run List

- Login to Enterprise Hosted Chef
- Select the "Nodes" tab
- Select your Node
- Edit the Run List



Update the Run List

- Drag
- Drop
- Save



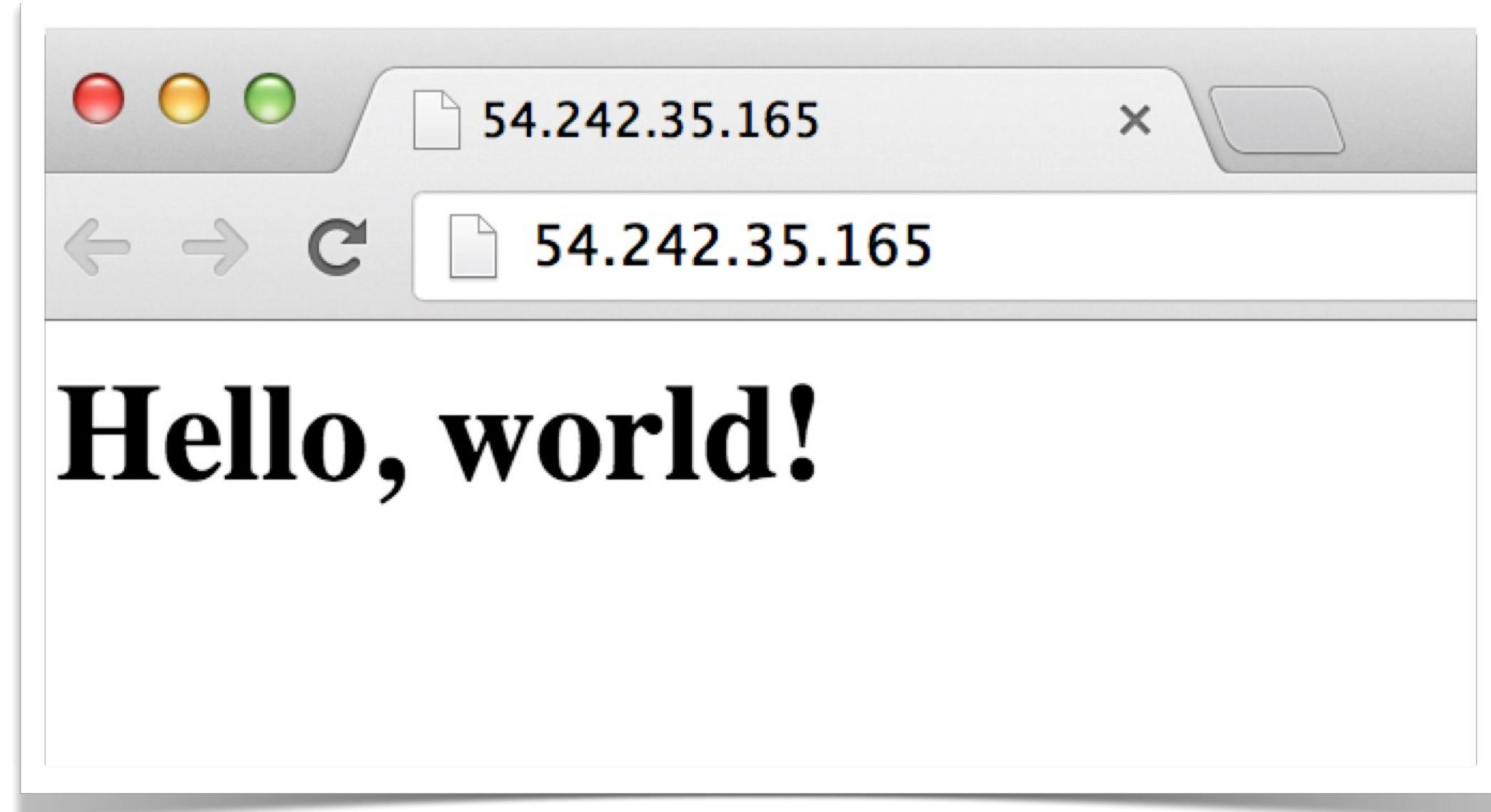
Exercise: Run the chef-client on your test node

```
opscode@target1:~$ sudo chef-client
```

```
Starting Chef Client, version 11.4.4
[2013-06-25T04:20:22+00:00] INFO: *** Chef 11.4.4 ***
[2013-06-25T04:20:23+00:00] INFO: [inet6] no default interface, picking the first ipaddress
[2013-06-25T04:20:23+00:00] INFO: Run List is [recipe[apache]]
[2013-06-25T04:20:23+00:00] INFO: Run List expands to [apache]
[2013-06-25T04:20:23+00:00] INFO: Starting Chef Run for target1
[2013-06-25T04:20:23+00:00] INFO: Running start handlers
[2013-06-25T04:20:23+00:00] INFO: Start handlers complete.
resolving cookbooks for run list: ["apache"]
[2013-06-25T04:20:24+00:00] INFO: Loading cookbooks [apache]
Synchronizing Cookbooks:
[2013-06-25T04:20:24+00:00] INFO: Storing updated cookbooks/apache/recipes/default.rb in the cache.
[2013-06-25T04:20:24+00:00] INFO: Storing updated cookbooks/apache/recipes/tmp.rb in the cache.
[2013-06-25T04:20:24+00:00] INFO: Storing updated cookbooks/apache/CHANGELOG.md in the cache.
[2013-06-25T04:20:25+00:00] INFO: Storing updated cookbooks/apache/metadata.rb in the cache.
[2013-06-25T04:20:25+00:00] INFO: Storing updated cookbooks/apache/README.md in the cache.
  - apache
Compiling Cookbooks...
Converging 3 resources
Recipe: apache::default
 * package[apache2] action install[2013-06-25T04:20:25+00:00] INFO: Processing package[apache2] action install (apache::default line 9)
  - install version 2.2.22-1ubuntu1 of package apache2
```

Exercise: Verify that the home page works

- Open a web browser
- Type in the the URL for your test node

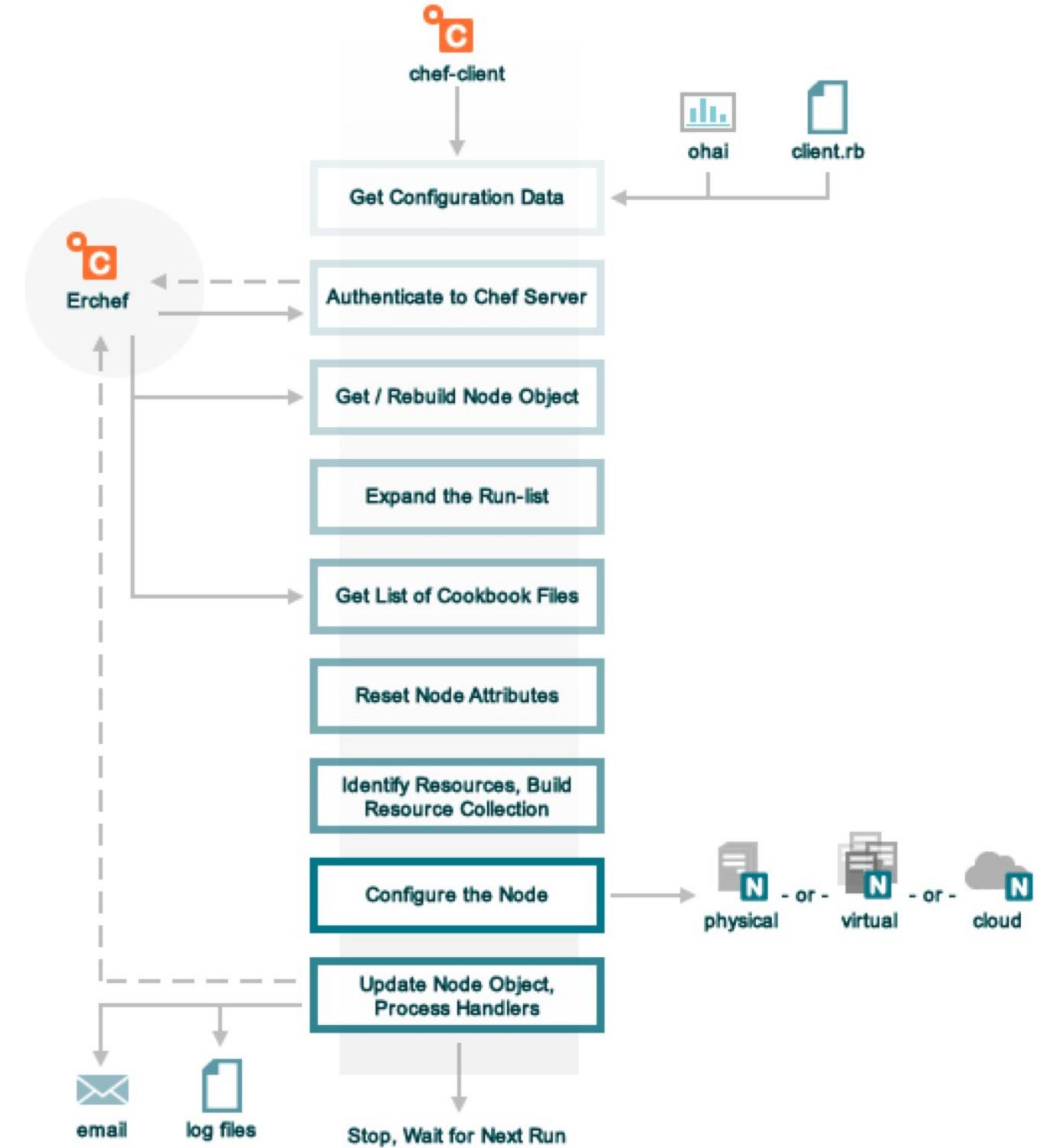


Congratulate yourself!

- You have just written your first Chef cookbook!
- (clap!)

Next Week

- List the steps taken by a chef-client during a run
- Explain the basic security model of Chef



Thank You

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