



# What are we going to see in this session?

- What is Adhoc commands and how to use it Ansible.
- Exercise
- Additional Notes



# What is Adhoc commands

- An ad-hoc command is something that you might type in to do something really quick but don't want to save for later.
- Through this session you can understand the basics of what Ansible can do prior to learning the playbook.
- Ad-hoc commands can also be used to do quick things that you might not necessarily want to write a full playbook.
- Generally speaking – The true power of Ansible lies in playbook rite? Then why you would need Ad-hoc tasks?
- Let's assume – You want to power off all your instance for some maintenance purpose and it is once in blue moon activity rite ? In this kind of scenarios you could execute a quick one-liner in Ansible without writing a playbook.



# Exercise 1.0

Creating Directory using [mkdir] module:

```
ansible web -a "mkdir directory-name" --ask-pass (-k)
```

Directly running shell commands using [shell] module

```
ansible web -m shell -a "usermod -ag group user" --ask-pass (-k)
```

Copying a file to remote machines using [copy] module

```
ansible web -m copy -a "src=/etc/hosts dest=/hosts" --ask-pass (-k)
```

Using [file] module you can change ownership and permissions on files.

```
ansible web -m file -a "dest=filename mode=600 owner=xxx group=xxx" (-k)
```

Combining two commands in single ones using shell module

```
ansible web -m shell -a "chmod 666 filename && chown user:group filename" (-k)
```

Reboot servers

```
ansible web -a "/sbin/reboot" --ask-pass (-k)
```





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Package Install using [YUM, APT] module:

```
ansible web -m yum -a "name=ntp state=present"
```

Package remove using [YUM, APT] module:

```
ansible web -m yum -a "name=ntp state=absent"
```

Creating User using [user] module

```
ansible web -m user -a "name=foo password=<crypted password here>"
```

Removing User using [user] module

```
ansible web -m user -a "name=foo state=absent"
```

Managing service using [service] module

States available : [started] [restarted] [stopped]

```
ansible webserver -m service -a "name=httpd state=started"
```



# Additional Notes

Target multiple groups:

ansible prod:staging -m yum -a "name=ntp state=present"

List hosts : To see number of hosts in inventory file:

ansible all -m ping --list-hosts



# End of this topic!

Any questions?



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