

# **c0mbat - Product Documentation**

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### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 General Introduction

c0mbat is a Configuration Management tool developed with Slack. c0mbat is short for Zero-Configuration Management and Build Automorphic Tool.

### 1.2 Product

c0mbat is intended for configuration management in Cloud Infrastructures.

- · Features
  - 1. Multi-threaded (uses multiple cores as scheduled by the OS or by user i.e. numa utils)
  - 2. Parallel deployment currently over SSH channel
  - 3. Application wide configuration file: c0mbat.conf
  - 4. APT package manager handling: install, uninstall (remove), update
  - 5. Services handling: start, stop, restart, reload
  - 6. Inventory and Artifacts handled seprately under dir "deploy"
    - (a) deploy/artifacts
    - (b) deploy/inventory
  - 7. Idempotency with deployments: keeps MD5 Hashes as deployment cache for each host and it's artifact relationships
    - (a) Filesystem hash of individual artifacts under deploy/artifacts
    - (b) Configuration hash of individual artifacts, defined in deploy/artifacts/artifacts.json
    - (c) Hashes are maintained as cache under "cache/cache.json" that is built after initial run
    - (d) In ideal situation this should be a distributed cache accessible over IP i.e. NoSQL DB, to allow multiple client's to sync
  - 8. Two types of deployments currently supported
    - (a) APT package manager based
    - (b) Manual
  - 9. Manual type deployments support Permssions, this is specified optionally as artifact's metadata (see deploy/artifacts/artifacts.json)

- 10. Logging under dir "logs/"
- 11. Cleanup runtime/transient data with the script "clean.sh". Note this cleans up the logs and cache as well.

## 1.3 Availability of code

Available on Github at c0mbat repo

### 1.4 Architectrure / Code Walk-through

#### 1.4.1 Structure

Code is organized in this hierarchy



Code is functionally divided as packages

#### 1.4.2 Code re-usability

Source code allows for easy reuse of various components

- 1. All variables and objects are initailized as run-time from "packages/conf/configinit.py"
- 2. Initialized objects are available at run-time in "packages/globalvars.py"
- 3. Re-use is as simple as calling the desired object with globalvars.<object>
  - (a) Example: to log a debug message use globalvars.\_stats\_logger.debug("YOUR MESSAGE!")

### 1.5 Usage

- 1. Installation instructions README.txt
- 2. c0mbat provides a CLI Interface, run with: python c0mbat.py -h

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