



Ansible III

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How People Use Ansible

- Non-Ansible setup, run playbooks against device
 - Change default password
 - Hostname
 - Management IP address
 - Default route
- Ansible for full config
 - Subsequent changes via job-specific roles

Loops

```
- name: Print out PIM Rendezvous Point
  debug:
    msg:
      - Detected a PTP server.
      - Its IP address is {{ ptp_server }}
  when: ptp_server is defined

- name: Print out a variable
  ansible.builtin.debug:
    var: command_result
```

```
show interface description | include [Vv][Mm][Ww][Aa][Rr][Ee]
```



```
vmware_ports: "['Et3', 'Et7', 'Et8', 'Et10', 'Et11']"
```

```
---  
- name: Push VLANs to switches  
  vars:  
    new_vlan_id: 60  
  eos_config:  
    lines:  
      - switchport trunk allowed vlan add {{ new_vlan_id }}  
      parents: interface {{ item }}  
  with_items: "{{ vmware_ports }}"
```

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eos_config:
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```

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eos_config:
  lines:
    - switchport trunk allowed vlan add {{ new_vlan_id }}
    parents: interface {{ item }}
  register: results
  loop: "{{ vmware_ports }}"
```

```
eos_config:
  lines:
    - switchport trunk allowed vlan add {{ new_vlan_id }}
  parents: interface {{ item }}
register: results
loop:
  - Et1
  - Et3
```

```
-name: Using dict2items
ansible.builtin.debug:
  msg: "{{ item.key }} - {{ item.value }}"
loop: "{{ tag_data | dict2items }}"
vars:
  tag_data:
    Environment: dev
    Application: payment
```

Retrying a task

```
- name: Retry a task until a certain condition is met
  ansible.builtin.shell: tail -50 /var/log/radius.log
  register: result
  until: result.stdout.find("Ready to process requests") != -1
  retries: 5
  delay: 10
```


Changing Loop Variables

```
eos_config:  
  lines:  
    - switchport trunk allowed vlan add {{ new_vlan_id }}  
  parents: interface {{ interface_name }}  
register: results  
loop: "{{ vmware_ports }}"  
loop_control:  
  loop_var: interface_name  
  index_var: count  
label: "Adding VLAN #{{ count }} : {{ interface }}"
```

Templating with Jinja2

- Jinja2 – a templating language for Python
 - Simple expressions
 - Built-in functions and filters
 - Control structures
 - Extensible
- Ansible executes plays & tasks in a Jinja2 context
 - ...which is why we can use `{{ variable_name }}` in playbooks
 - Template module

```
domain_name: networky-things.hea.net
```

```
time_zone: "Europe/Dublin"
```

```
target_version: 4.25.0F
```

```
swi_url: "tftp:192.0.2.1/EOS-{{ target_version }}.swi"
```

```
{# Bless you, oh contextual comment-writers! #}
```

```
system {
```

```
    hostname    {{ inventory_hostname }};
```

```
    domain-name {{ domain_name }};
```

```
    time-zone   {{ time_zone }};
```

```
}
```

```
{{ ansible_facts['inventory_hostname'] }}
```

```
{  
  "ansible_all_ipv4_addresses": [ "REDACTED IP ADDRESS" ],  
  "ansible_all_ipv6_addresses": [ "REDACTED IPV6 ADDRESS" ],  
  "ansible_architecture": "x86_64",  
  "ansible_bios_date": "11/28/2020",  
  ...  
}
```

```
hostvars['sw1']['ansible_facts']['my_variable']
```

Loopback :

interface: citywest-sw1

ipv4: 192.0.2.250

ipv4sub: 255.255.255.255

```
interface {{ Loopback['interface'] }}
```

```
ip address {{Loopback.ipv4}} {{Loopback.ipv4sub}}
```

```
- name: Create Apache2 config from template
  ansible.builtin.template:
    src:    apache_conf.j2
    dest:   /etc/apache/apache2.conf
```

```
- name: Create bgp config from template
  template:
    src:    bgp.j2
    dest:   configs/bgp.conf
```

```
{% if my_hostname is defined %}  
hostname {{ my_hostname }}  
{% else %}  
hostname Forgotten_Hostname  
{% endif %}
```

```
{% if defined(my_hostname) %}  
hostname {{ my_hostname }}  
{% else %}  
hostname Forgotten_Hostname  
{% endif %}
```

```
{% if defined(my_hostname) %}  
hostname {{ my_hostname }}  
{% else %}  
hostname Forgotten_Name  
{% endif %}
```

```
hostname {{ my_hostname | default("Forgotten_Name") }}
```



```
vars:
```

```
ntp_servers:
```

- ntp1.heanet.ie
- ntp2.heanet.ie

```
{% for clock in ntp_servers %}  
ntp server {{ clock }}  
{% endfor %}
```

```
vars:
```

```
ntp_servers: ntp.heanet.ie
```

```
{% if ntp_servers is string %}  
ntp server {{ ntp_servers }}  
{% else %}  
{% for clock in ntp_servers %}  
ntp server {{clock}}  
{% endfor %}
```

```
vars:
```

```
ntp: ntp.heanet.ie
```

```
{% if ntp is iterable and ntp is not string %}  
    {% for clock in ntp %}  
ntp server {{ clock }}  
    {% endfor %}  
{% else %}  
ntp server {{ ntp }}  
{% endfor %}
```

radsecrets:

radius1.heanet.ie: Random%1234567

radius2.heanet.ie: pwgen123rocks!

radius3.heanet.ie: super^seekrit9

```
{% for radname,radsecret in radsecrets.items() %}  
set radius-server {{radname}} {{radsecret}}  
{% endfor %}
```

```
{% for radname,radsecret in radsecrets.iteritems() %}  
  
    {% if loop.first %}  
    ! RADIUS configuration  
    {% endif %}  
  
    set radius-server {{radname}} {{radsecret}}  
  
    {% if loop.last %}  
    ! Processed {{radsecrets.length}} RADIUS servers  
    {% endif %}  
  
{% endfor %}
```

```
radsecrets:
```

```
radius1.heanet.ie: Random%1234567
```

```
radius2.heanet.ie: pwgen123rocks!
```

```
"radsecrets.keys()": [  
    "radius1.heanet.ie",  
    "radius2.heanet.ie"  
]
```

```
"radsecrets.values()": [  
    "Random%1234567",  
    "pwgen123rocks!"  
]
```

```
---
- hosts: junos_routers
  tasks:
  - junos_command:
      commands: "show bgp summary| display json"
      register: result

  - set_fact: bgp_json="{{result.stdout[0]}}"

  - set_fact:
    bgp_table="{{bgp_json.bgp-information.bgp-peer }}"
```

Setting Facts

```
{% if "Loopback " in "{{interface_name}}" %}
{% set Has_Loopback = True %}
{% endif %}

{% if "{{interface_name}}" | regex_search('Loopback') %}
    ip address {{device_ipv4}} 255.255.255.255
{% else %}
    ip address {{device_ipv4}} {{device_subnet}}
{% endif %}
```

ac1s:

noweb:

- deny tcp any any eq 80
- permit ip any any

```
{% for name,list in ac1s.items() %}  
ip access-list extended {{ name }}  
  
    {% for line in list %}  
        {% set count = loop.index * 10 %}  
        {{count}} {{line}}  
    {% endfor %}  
  
{% endfor %}
```

Jinja2 Indentation Control

- Jinja code (if/for) does not produce output...
 - ...but the newlines stay...
 - ...which makes diffs with device configs interesting
- You can suppress this with Jinja2 variables

```
#jinja2:trim_blocks: True
```

Jinja2 Indentation Control (cont.)

```
#jinja2: trim_blocks: True, lstrip_blocks: True

{% for device in network_cards %}
interface {{device.name}}
    ip address {{device.ipv4}} {{device.ipv4subnet}}
    description {{device.description}}
    no shutdown
{% endfor %}
```

- **name:** Assemble ssh config from a directory

```
ansible.builtin.assemble:
```

```
  src: /etc/ssh/conf.d/
```

```
  dest: /etc/ssh/sshd_config
```

```
  regexp: ".conf$"
```

```
  validate: usr/sbin/sshd -t -f %s
```

- **name:** Assemble router configs

```
assemble:
```

```
  src: config-snippets/{{inventory_hostname}}
```

```
  dest: full_configs/{{inventory_hostname}}.conf
```

Macros

```
{% macro banner() -%}  
banner motd ^  
  
=====
```

| Stay away, evildoer!
| This device is private property

```
=====
```

^

```
{% endmacro -%}
```

```
{{ banner() }}
```

```
interfaces:
```

- name: Ethernet10
role: desktop
- name: Ethernet11
role: printer

```
{% macro default_desc(interface_role) %}
```

```
Unused port for a {{ interface_role }}
```

```
{% endmacro %}
```

```
{% for interface in interfaces %}
```

```
interface {{ interface.name }}
```

```
description {{ default_desc(interface.role) }}
```

```
{% endfor %}
```

```
interface Ethernet10
  description Unused port for a desktop
interface Ethernet11
  description Unused port for a printer
```

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