

Ansible (really) loves PostgreSQL

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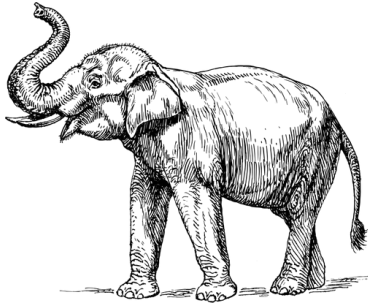
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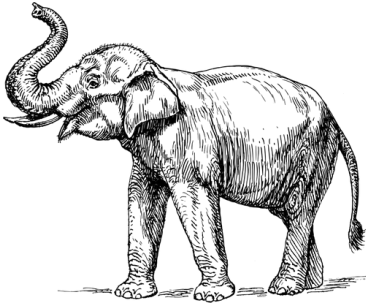


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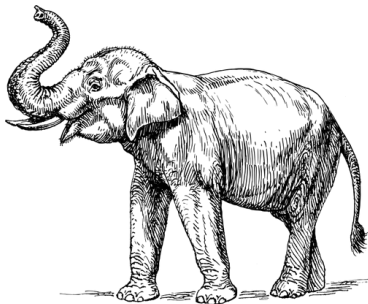


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A Solution



Managing PostgreSQL with Ansible

Gülçin Yıldırım

PGConf EU, 2015, Vienna

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[https://slideshare.net/GulcinYildirim/
managing-postgres-with-ansible](https://slideshare.net/GulcinYildirim/managing-postgres-with-ansible)



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The Playbook: pg_version.yml

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      filter: version
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Output

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PLAY [all] *****
```

```
TASK [Gathering Facts] *****
ok: [localhost]
```

```
TASK [postgresql_info] *****
ok: [localhost]
```

```
PLAY RECAP *****
localhost : ok=2 changed=0 unreachable=0 failed=0 [...]
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Serialized tasks execution

- wait for task completion for each host
- execute tasks on all hosts, in parallel



Demo: really get pg version !

The Playbook: pg_version.yml

```
---  
- hosts: all  
  tasks:  
    - postgresql_info:  
        login_user: cedric  
        filter: version  
        register: pg_version  
    - debug: var=pg_version.version.major
```



Demo: really get pg version !

Output

```
PLAY [all] *****
```

```
TASK [Gathering Facts] *****  
ok: [localhost]
```

```
TASK [postgresql_info] *****  
ok: [localhost]
```

```
TASK [debug] *****  
ok: [localhost] => {  
    "pg_version.version.major": "12"  
}
```

```
PLAY RECAP *****  
localhost : ok=3 changed=0 unreachable=0 failed=0 [...]
```

Demo: Define fact

The Playbook: pg_version.yml

```
---  
- hosts: all  
  tasks:  
    - postgresql_info:  
        login_user: cedric  
        filter: version  
        register: pg_version  
    - set_fact:  
        pg_major: "{{pg_version.version.major}}"  
    - debug: var=pg_major
```



Demo: Define fact

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  tasks:
    - postgresql_info:
        login_user: cedric
        filter: version
        register: pg_version
    - set_fact:
        pg_major: "{{pg_version.version.major}}"
    - debug: var=pg_major
```



Demo: Define fact

Output

```
PLAY [all] *****
```

```
[...]
```

```
TASK [set_fact] *****  
ok: [localhost]
```

```
TASK [debug] *****  
ok: [localhost] => {  
    "pg_major": "12"  
}
```

```
PLAY RECAP *****  
localhost : ok=4 changed=0 unreachable=0 failed=0 [...]
```


Demo: Use fact

The Playbook: pg_version.yml

[...]

- name: Ensure we do not recycle WAL file (COW FS)
postgresql_set:
 login_user: cedric
 name: wal_recycle
 value: False|string
when:
 pg_major|int > 11



Demo: Use fact

The Playbook: pg_version.yml

```
- name: Reload PostgreSQL if 12+
  postgresql_query:
    login_user: cedric
    db: postgres
    query: SELECT pg_reload_conf()
  when:
    pg_major|int > 11
```



Demo: Use fact

Output

```
PLAY [all] *****
```

```
[...]
```

```
TASK [Ensure we do not recycle WAL file (COW FS)] **
```

```
changed: [localhost]
```

```
TASK [Reload PostgreSQL if 12+] *****
```

```
ok: [localhost]
```

```
PLAY RECAP *****
```

```
localhost : ok=5 changed=1 unreachable=0 failed=0 [...]
```

Wonderful...



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Variables

Define Variable

```
- hosts: all
  vars:
    wal_recycle: True
```

Handler & Notify

Define Handler & Call Notify

```
handlers:
  - name: reload PostgreSQL
    postgresql_query:
      login_user: cedric
      db: postgres
      query: SELECT pg_reload_conf()
tasks:
  - name: Ensure we do not recycle WAL file (COW FS)
    postgresql_set:
      login_user: cedric
      name: wal_recycle
      value: "{{wal_recycle|string}}"
    when:
      pg_major|int > 11
    notify: reload PostgreSQL
```

Handler & Notify

Define Handler & Call Notify

handlers:

- name: **reload PostgreSQL**

postgresql_query:

login_user: cedric

db: postgres

query: SELECT pg_reload_conf()

tasks:

- name: Ensure we do not recycle WAL file (COW FS)

postgresql_set:

login_user: cedric

name: wal_recycle

value: "{{wal_recycle|string}}"

when:

pg_major|int > 11

notify: **reload PostgreSQL**

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About Roles

```
1 ---
2 - hosts: all
3   vars:
4     wal_recycle: True
5   handlers:
6     - name: reload PostgreSQL
7       postgresql_query:
8         login_user: cedric
9         db: postgres
10        query: SELECT pg_reload_conf()
11   tasks:
12     - postgresql_info:
13       login_user: cedric
14       filter: version
15       register: pg_version
16     - set_fact:
17       pg_major: "{{pg_version.version.major}}"
18     - name: Ensure we do not recycle WAL file (COW FS)
19       postgresql_set:
20         login_user: cedric
21         name: wal_recycle
22         value: "{{wal_recycle|string}}"
23       when:
24         pg_major|int > 11
25       notify: reload PostgreSQL
26
```

- Variables
- Tasks
- Handlers
- Templates
- ...



Simpler playbook

pg_version.yml

```
---  
- hosts: all  
  vars:  
    wal_recycle: False  
  roles:  
    - pg_cow
```



Role pg_cow (vars)

```
roles/pg_cow/vars/main.yml
```

```
---
```

```
vars:
```

```
  wal_recycle: True
```



Role pg_cow (tasks)

roles/pg_cow/tasks/main.yml

```
---
- postgresql_info:
    login_user: cedric
    filter: version
    register: pg_version
- set_fact:
    pg_major: "{{pg_version.version.major}}"
- name: Ensure we do not recycle WAL file (COW FS)
  postgresql_set:
    login_user: cedric
    name: wal_recycle
    value: "{{wal_recycle|string}}"
  when:
    pg_major|int > 11
  notify: reload PostgreSQL
```

Role pg_cow (one handler)

roles/pg_cow/handlers/main.yml

```
---  
- name: reload PostgreSQL  
  postgresql_query:  
    login_user: cedric  
    db: postgres  
    query: SELECT pg_reload_conf()
```



Role pg_cow (another handler)

roles/pg_cow/handlers/main.yml

```
---  
- name: reload PostgreSQL  
  service:  
    name: postgresql  
    state: reloaded
```



Wait !

What is a Module ?

- External Library
- Compliant with Ansible
- Called and configured inside *tasks*.



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Demo: start several PostgreSQL dockers

The Playbook: pg_docker.yml

```
---
- hosts: all
  vars:
    n: 6
  tasks:
    - name: Create & Start container on port '943[1-n]'
      docker_container:
        name: "db_test_{{ item|string }}"
        image: "postgres:latest"
        published_ports: "943{{ item|int }}:5432"
        networks:
          - name: bridge
        volumes:
          - /tmp/docker:/tmp/docker
      loop: "{{ range(1, (n|int+1))|list }}"
```

Demo: start several PostgreSQL docker

Command Line and Variable

```
ansible-playbook --extra-vars n='2' pg_docker.yml
```

Demo: «Naive» Rolling Upgrade

The Playbook: pg_rolling.yml

```
---
- hosts: all
  serial: 1
  tasks:
    - postgresql_query:
        login_user: cedric
        db: postgres
        query: SELECT pg_is_in_recovery() p(pg_is_in)
        register: x
    - set_fact:
        is_standby: "{{x.query_result[0].pg_is_in|bool}}"
    - package:
        name: postgresql-12
        state: latest
        when: is_standby == true
[...]
```

Demo: «Naive» Rolling Upgrade

The Playbook: pg_rolling.yml

```
[...]
```

```
- hosts: all
```

```
  tasks:
```

```
    - postgresql_query:
```

```
      login_user: cedric
```

```
      db: postgres
```

```
      query: SELECT pg_is_in_recovery() p(pg_is_in)
```

```
      register: x
```

```
    - set_fact:
```

```
      is_standby: "{{x.query_result[0].pg_is_in|bool}}"
```

```
    - package:
```

```
      name: postgresql-12
```

```
      state: latest
```

```
      when: is_standby == false
```

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Ansible 2.6 modules

Cluster

- postgresql_user
- postgresql_db

Database

- postgresql_lang
- postgresql_ext
- postgresql_schema
- postgresql_privs

https://docs.ansible.com/ansible/2.6/modules/list_of_database_modules.html?highlight=postgresql



Ansible 2.8 modules

Cluster

- postgresql_ping
- postgresql_info
- postgresql_pg_hba
- postgresql_set
- postgresql_tablespace
- postgresql_user
- postgresql_membership
- postgresql_db
- postgresql_slot

Database

- postgresql_lang
- postgresql_ext
- postgresql_schema
- postgresql_table
- postgresql_idx
- postgresql_owner
- postgresql_privs
- postgresql_query



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Ansible model

- Core application
- Modules
- Plugins

Ansible Galaxy

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Search in Ansible Galaxy

- PostgreSQL: 1 collection (debops) & 555 roles !
- PostGIS: 21 roles
- Barman: 10 roles
- pgBouncer: 10 roles
- BDR: 4 roles
- pglogical: 2 roles
- pgBackRest: 1 role
- pgpool: 1 role



Your own way



You can also share
anywhere, at least
playbooks and roles.

Questions ?

now or later!

