
fabtools Documentation

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ABOUT

`fabtools` includes useful functions to help you write your `Fabric` files.

`fabtools` makes it easier to manage system users, packages, databases, etc.

`fabtools` includes a number of low-level actions, as well as a higher level interface called `fabtools.require`.

Using `fabtools.require` allows you to use a more declarative style, similar to Chef or Puppet.

INSTALLING

To install the latest release from [PyPI](#)

```
$ pip install fabtools
```

To install the latest development version from [GitHub](#)

```
$ pip install git+git://github.com/ronnix/fabtools.git
```


EXAMPLE

Here is an example `fabfile.py` using `fabtools`

```
from fabric.api import *
from fabtools import require
import fabtools

@task
def setup():

    # Require some Debian/Ubuntu packages
    require.deb.packages([
        'imagemagick',
        'libxml2-dev',
    ])

    # Require a Python package
    with fabtools.python.virtualenv('/home/myuser/env'):
        require.python.package('pyramid')

    # Require an email server
    require.postfix.server('example.com')

    # Require a PostgreSQL server
    require.postgres.server()
    require.postgres.user('myuser', 's3cr3tp4ssw0rd')
    require.postgres.database('myappsdb', 'myuser')

    # Require a supervisor process for our app
    require.supervisor.process('myapp',
        command='/home/myuser/env/bin/gunicorn_paster /home/myuser/env/myapp/production.ini',
        directory='/home/myuser/env/myapp',
        user='myuser'
    )

    # Require an nginx server proxying to our app
    require.nginx.proxied_site('example.com',
        docroot='/home/myuser/env/myapp/myapp/public',
        proxy_url='http://127.0.0.1:8888'
    )

    # Setup a daily cron task
    fabtools.cron.add_daily('maintenance', 'myuser', 'my_script.py')
```


SUPPORTED TARGETS

`fabtools` currently supports the following target operating systems:

- Debian 6.0 (squeeze)
- Ubuntu 10.04 (lucid)
- Ubuntu 12.04 (precise)
- RHEL 5/6
- CentOS 5/6
- Scientific Linux 5/6
- SmartOS (Joyent)

Contributions to help support other Unix/Linux distributions are welcome!

API DOCUMENTATION

5.1 fabtools

5.1.1 fabtools.cron

Cron tasks

This module provides tools to manage periodic tasks using cron.

`fabtools.cron.add_task` (*name*, *timespec*, *user*, *command*)

Add a cron task.

The *command* will be run as *user* periodically.

You can use any valid `crontab(5)` *timespec*, including the `@hourly`, `@daily`, `@weekly`, `@monthly` and `@yearly` shortcuts.

Examples:

```
from fabtools.cron import add_task

# Run every month
add_task('cleanup', '@monthly', 'alice', '/home/alice/bin/cleanup.sh')

# Run every tuesday and friday at 5:30am
add_task('reindex', '30 5 * * 2,4', 'bob', '/home/bob/bin/reindex.sh')
```

`fabtools.cron.add_daily` (*name*, *user*, *command*)

Shortcut to add a daily cron task.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Run every day
fabtools.cron.add_daily('backup', 'root', '/usr/local/bin/backup.sh')
```

5.1.2 fabtools.deb

Debian packages

This module provides tools to manage Debian/Ubuntu packages and repositories.

See Also:*fabtools.require.deb*

`fabtools.deb.update_index(quiet=True)`
Update APT package definitions.

`fabtools.deb.upgrade(safe=True)`
Upgrade all packages.

`fabtools.deb.is_installed(pkg_name)`
Check if a package is installed.

`fabtools.deb.install(packages, update=False, options=None)`
Install one or more packages.

If *update* is `True`, the package definitions will be updated first, using `update_index()`.

Extra *options* may be passed to `apt-get` if necessary.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Update index, then install a single package
fabtools.deb.install('build-essential', update=True)

# Install multiple packages
fabtools.deb.install([
    'python-dev',
    'libxml2-dev',
])
```

`fabtools.deb.uninstall(packages, purge=False, options=None)`
Remove one or more packages.

If *purge* is `True`, the package configuration files will be removed from the system.

Extra *options* may be passed to `apt-get` if necessary.

`fabtools.deb.preseed_package(pkg_name, preseed)`
Enable unattended package installation by preseeding `debconf` parameters.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Unattended install of Postfix mail server
fabtools.deb.preseed_package('postfix', {
    'postfix/main_mailer_type': ('select', 'Internet Site'),
    'postfix/mailname': ('string', 'example.com'),
    'postfix/destinations': ('string', 'example.com, localhost.localdomain, localhost'),
})
fabtools.deb.install('postfix')
```

`fabtools.deb.get_selections()`
Get the state of `dkpg` selections.

Returns a dict with state => [packages].

`fabtools.deb.distrib_codename()`
Get the codename of the distrib.

Example:

```
from fabtools.deb import distrib_codename

if distrib_codename() == 'precise':
    print('Ubuntu 12.04 LTS')
```

`fabtools.deb.add_apt_key(filename, update=True)`

Trust packages signed with this public key.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Download 3rd party APT public key
if not fabtools.is_file('rabbitmq-signing-key-public.asc'):
    run('wget http://www.rabbitmq.com/rabbitmq-signing-key-public.asc')

# Tell APT to trust that key
fabtools.deb.add_apt_key('rabbitmq-signing-key-public.asc')
```

5.1.3 fabtools.files

Files and directories

See Also:

fabtools.require.files

`fabtools.files.is_file(path, use_sudo=False)`

Check if a path exists, and is a file.

`fabtools.files.is_dir(path, use_sudo=False)`

Check if a path exists, and is a directory.

`fabtools.files.is_link(path, use_sudo=False)`

Check if a path exists, and is a symbolic link.

`fabtools.files.owner(path, use_sudo=False)`

Get the owner name of a file or directory.

`fabtools.files.group(path, use_sudo=False)`

Get the group name of a file or directory.

`fabtools.files.mode(path, use_sudo=False)`

Get the mode (permissions) of a file or directory.

Returns a string such as `'0755'`, representing permissions as an octal number.

`fabtools.files.upload_template(filename, template, context=None, use_sudo=False, user='root', mkdir=False, chown=False)`

Upload a template file.

`fabtools.files.md5sum(filename, use_sudo=False)`

Compute the MD5 sum of a file.

class `fabtools.files.watch(filenamees, callback=None, use_sudo=False)`

Context manager to watch for changes to the contents of some files.

The *filenamees* argument can be either a string (single filename) or a list (multiple filenames).

You can read the *changed* attribute at the end of the block to check if the contents of any of the watched files has changed.

You can also provide a *callback* that will be called at the end of the block if the contents of any of the watched files has changed.

Example using an explicit check:

```
from fabric.contrib.files import comment, uncomment

from fabtools.files import watch
from fabtools.services import restart

# Edit configuration file
with watch('/etc/daemon.conf') as config:
    uncomment('/etc/daemon.conf', 'someoption')
    comment('/etc/daemon.conf', 'otheroption')

# Restart daemon if needed
if config.changed:
    restart('daemon')
```

Same example using a callback:

```
from functools import partial

from fabric.contrib.files import comment, uncomment

from fabtools.files import watch
from fabtools.services import restart

with watch('/etc/daemon.conf', callback=partial(restart, 'daemon')):
    uncomment('/etc/daemon.conf', 'someoption')
    comment('/etc/daemon.conf', 'otheroption')
```

5.1.4 fabtools.group

Groups

See Also:

fabtools.require.groups

`fabtools.group.exists(name)`

Check if a group exists.

`fabtools.group.create(name, gid=None)`

Create a new group.

Example:

```
import fabtools

if not fabtools.group.exists('admin'):
    fabtools.group.create('admin')
```


5.1.5 fabtools.mysql

MySQL users and databases

This module provides tools for creating MySQL users and databases.

See Also:

fabtools.require.mysql

Manage users

`fabtools.mysql.user_exists(name, **kwargs)`

Check if a MySQL user exists.

`fabtools.mysql.create_user(name, password, host='localhost', **kwargs)`

Create a MySQL user.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Create DB user if it does not exist
if not fabtools.mysql.user_exists('dbuser'):
    fabtools.mysql.create_user('dbuser', password='somerandomstring')
```

Manage databases

`fabtools.mysql.database_exists(name, **kwargs)`

Check if a MySQL database exists.

`fabtools.mysql.create_database(name, owner=None, owner_host='localhost', charset='utf8', collate='utf8_general_ci', **kwargs)`

Create a MySQL database.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Create DB if it does not exist
if not fabtools.mysql.database_exists('myapp'):
    fabtools.mysql.create_database('myapp', owner='dbuser')
```

5.1.6 fabtools.network

Network

`fabtools.network.interfaces()`

Get the list of network interfaces. Will return all datalinks on SmartOS.

`fabtools.network.address(interface)`

Get the IPv4 address assigned to an interface.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Print all configured IP addresses
for interface in fabtools.network.interfaces():
    print(fabtools.network.address(interface))
```

`fabtools.network.nameservers()`

Get the list of nameserver addresses.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Check that all name servers are reachable
for ip in fabtools.network.nameservers():
    run('ping -c1 %s' % ip)
```

5.1.7 fabtools.nodejs

Node.js

This module provides tools for installing [Node.js](#) and managing packages using [npm](#).

See Also:

fabtools.require.nodejs

`fabtools.nodejs.install_from_source(version='0.8.19')`

Install Node JS from source.

```
import fabtools

# Install Node.js
fabtools.nodejs.install_nodejs()
```

Note: This function may not work for old versions of Node.js.

`fabtools.nodejs.version()`

Get the version of Node.js currently installed.

Returns None if it is not installed.

`fabtools.nodejs.install_package(package, version=None, local=False)`

Install a Node.js package.

If *local* is True, the package will be installed locally.

```
import fabtools

# Install package globally
fabtools.nodejs.install_package('express')

# Install package locally
fabtools.nodejs.install_package('underscore', local=False)
```

`fabtools.nodejs.install_dependencies()`

Install Node.js package dependencies.

This function calls `npm install`, which will locally install all packages specified as dependencies in the `package.json` file found in the current directory.

```
from fabric.api import cd
from fabtools import nodejs

with cd('/path/to/nodejsapp/'):
    nodejs.install_dependencies()
```

`fabtools.nodejs.package_version(package, local=False)`

Get the installed version of a Node.js package.

Returns `None` if the package is not installed. If `*local*` is `True`, returns the version of the locally installed package.

`fabtools.nodejs.update_package(package, local=False)`

Update a Node.js package.

If `local` is `True`, the package will be updated locally.

`fabtools.nodejs.uninstall_package(package, version=None, local=False)`

Uninstall a Node.js package.

If `local` is `True`, the package will be uninstalled locally.

```
import fabtools

# Uninstall package globally
fabtools.nodejs.uninstall_package('express')

# Uninstall package locally
fabtools.nodejs.uninstall_package('underscore', local=False)
```

5.1.8 fabtools.openvz

OpenVZ containers

This module provides high-level tools for managing [OpenVZ](#) templates and containers.

Warning: The remote host needs a patched kernel with OpenVZ support.

See Also:

`fabtools.require.openvz`

Manage templates

`fabtools.openvz.download_template(name=None, url=None)`

Download an OpenVZ template.

Example:

```
from fabtools.openvz import download_template

# Use custom OS template
download_template(url='http://example.com/templates/mybox.tar.gz')
```

If no *url* is provided, the OS template will be downloaded from the download.openvz.org repository:

```
from fabtools.openvz import download_template

# Use OS template from http://download.openvz.org/template/precreated/
download_template('debian-6.0-x86_64')
```

Manage containers

`fabtools.openvz.exists(ctid_or_name)`

Check if the container exists.

`fabtools.openvz.create(ctid, otemplate=None, config=None, private=None, root=None, ipadd=None, hostname=None, **kwargs)`

Create an OpenVZ container.

`fabtools.openvz.set(ctid_or_name, save=True, **kwargs)`

Set container parameters.

`fabtools.openvz.status(ctid_or_name)`

Get the status of the container.

`fabtools.openvz.start(ctid_or_name, wait=False, force=False, **kwargs)`

Start the container.

If *wait* is *True*, wait until the container is up and running.

Warning: `wait=True` is broken with `vzctl 3.0.24` on Debian 6.0 (*squeeze*)

`fabtools.openvz.stop(ctid_or_name, fast=False, **kwargs)`

Stop the container.

`fabtools.openvz.restart(ctid_or_name, wait=True, force=False, fast=False, **kwargs)`

Restart the container.

`fabtools.openvz.destroy(ctid_or_name)`

Destroy the container.

Run commands inside a container

`fabtools.openvz.exec2(ctid_or_name, command)`

Run a command inside the container.

```
import fabtools
```

```
res = fabtools.openvz.exec2('foo', 'hostname')
```

Warning: the command will be run as **root**.

`fabtools.openvz.guest(*args, **kws)`

Context manager to run commands inside a guest container.

Supported basic operations are: `run`, `sudo` and `put`.

Warning: commands executed with `run()` will be run as **root** inside the container. Use `sudo(command, user='foo')` to run them as an unprivileged user.

Example:

```
from fabtools.openvz import guest

with guest('foo'):
    run('hostname')
    sudo('whoami', user='alice')
    put('files/hello.txt')
```

Container class

class fabtools.openvz.container.**Container** (*ctid*)
Object-oriented interface to OpenVZ containers.

create (***kwargs*)

Create the container.

Extra args are passed to `fabtools.openvz.create()`.

destroy ()

Destroy the container.

set (***kwargs*)

Set container parameters.

Extra args are passed to `fabtools.openvz.set()`.

start (***kwargs*)

Start the container.

Extra args are passed to `fabtools.openvz.start()`.

stop (***kwargs*)

Stop the container.

Extra args are passed to `fabtools.openvz.stop()`.

restart (***kwargs*)

Restart the container.

Extra args are passed to `fabtools.openvz.restart()`.

status ()

Get the container's status.

running ()

Check if the container is running.

exists ()

Check if the container exists.

exec2 (*command*)

Run a command inside the container.

```
from fabtools.require.openvz import container
```

```
with container('foo') as ct:
    res = ct.exec2('hostname')
```

Warning: the command will be run as **root**.

5.1.9 fabtools.pkg

SmartOS packages

This module provides tools to manage SmartOS packages.

See Also:

fabtools.require.pkg

`fabtools.pkg.update_index(force=False)`
Update pkgin package definitions.

`fabtools.pkg.upgrade(full=False)`
Upgrade all packages.

`fabtools.pkg.is_installed(pkg_name)`
Check if a package is installed.

`fabtools.pkg.install(packages, update=False, yes=None, options=None)`
Install one or more packages.

If *update* is `True`, the package definitions will be updated first, using `update_index()`.

Extra *yes* may be passed to `pkgin` to validate license if necessary.

Extra *options* may be passed to `pkgin` if necessary.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Update index, then verbosely install a single package
fabtools.pkg.install('redis', update=True, options='-V',)

# Install multiple packages
fabtools.pkg.install([
    'unzip',
    'top'
])
```

`fabtools.pkg.uninstall(packages, orphan=False, options=None)`
Remove one or more packages.

If *orphan* is `True`, orphan dependencies will be removed from the system.

Extra *options* may be passed to `pkgin` if necessary.

`fabtools.pkg.smartos_build()`
Get the build of SmartOS. Useful to determine provider for example.

Example:

```
from fabtools.pkg import smartos_build

if smartos_build().startswith('joyent'):
    print('SmartOS Joyent')
```

`fabtools.pkg.smartos_image()`
Get the SmartOS image. Useful to determine the image/dataset for example. Returns `None` if it can't be determined.

Example:

```
from fabtools.pkg import smartos_image

if smartos_image().startswith('percona'):
    sudo("mysql -uroot -psecretpassword -e 'show databases;'")
```

5.1.10 fabtools.postgres

PostgreSQL users and databases

This module provides tools for creating PostgreSQL users and databases.

See Also:

fabtools.require.postgres

Manage users

`fabtools.postgres.user_exists(name)`

Check if a PostgreSQL user exists.

`fabtools.postgres.create_user(name, password, superuser=False, createdb=False, create-role=False, inherit=True, login=True, connection_limit=None, encrypted_password=False)`

Create a PostgreSQL user.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Create DB user if it does not exist
if not fabtools.postgres.user_exists('dbuser'):
    fabtools.postgres.create_user('dbuser', password='somerandomstring')

# Create DB user with custom options
fabtools.postgres.create_user('dbuser2', password='s3cr3t',
                              createdb=True, createrole=True, connection_limit=20)
```

Manage databases

`fabtools.postgres.database_exists(name)`

Check if a PostgreSQL database exists.

`fabtools.postgres.create_database(name, owner, template='template0', encoding='UTF8', locale='en_US.UTF-8')`

Create a PostgreSQL database.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Create DB if it does not exist
if not fabtools.postgres.database_exists('myapp'):
    fabtools.postgres.create_database('myapp', owner='dbuser')
```

5.1.11 fabtools.python

Python environments and packages

This module includes tools for using [virtual environments](#) and installing packages using [pip](#).

See Also:

fabtools.python.distribute and *fabtools.require.python*

Virtual environments

```
fabtools.python.virtualenv(*args, **kws)
    Context manager to activate an existing Python virtual environment.

    from fabric.api import run
    from fabtools.python import virtualenv

    with virtualenv('/path/to/virtualenv'):
        run('python -V')
```

Installing pip

```
fabtools.python.is_pip_installed(version=None)
    Check if pip is installed.

fabtools.python.install_pip()
    Install the latest version of pip.

import fabtools

if not fabtools.python.is_pip_installed():
    fabtools.python.install_pip()
```

Installing packages

```
fabtools.python.is_installed(package)
    Check if a Python package is installed.

fabtools.python.install(packages, upgrade=False, use_mirrors=True, use_sudo=False,
                        user=None, download_cache=None)
    Install Python package(s) using pip.

Examples:

import fabtools

# Install a single package
fabtools.python.install('package', use_sudo=True)

# Install a list of packages
fabtools.python.install(['pkg1', 'pkg2'], use_sudo=True)

fabtools.python.install_requirements(filename, upgrade=False, use_mirrors=True,
                                    use_sudo=False, user=None, download_cache=None)
    Install Python packages from a pip requirements file.
```



```
import fabtools
```

```
fabtools.python.install_requirements('project/requirements.txt')
```

5.1.12 fabtools.python_distribute

Python packages

This module provides tools for installing Python packages using the `easy_install` command provided by `distribute`.

See Also:

fabtools.python and *fabtools.require.python*

```
fabtools.python_distribute.is_distribute_installed()
```

Check if `distribute` is installed.

```
fabtools.python_distribute.install_distribute()
```

Install the latest version of `distribute`.

```
from fabtools.python_distribute import *
```

```
if not is_distribute_installed():
    install_distribute()
```

```
fabtools.python_distribute.install(packages, upgrade=False, use_sudo=False)
```

Install Python packages with `easy_install`.

Examples:

```
import fabtools
```

```
# Install a single package
```

```
fabtools.python_distribute.install('package', use_sudo=True)
```

```
# Install a list of packages
```

```
fabtools.python_distribute.install(['pkg1', 'pkg2'], use_sudo=True)
```

5.1.13 fabtools.rpm

RPM packages

This module provides tools to manage CentOS/RHEL/SL/Fedora packages and repositories.

See Also:

fabtools.require.rpm

```
fabtools.rpm.update(kernel=False)
```

Upgrade all packages, skip obsoletes if `obsoletes=0` in `yum.conf`.

Exclude *kernel* upgrades by default.

```
fabtools.rpm.upgrade(kernel=False)
```

Upgrade all packages, including obsoletes.

Exclude *kernel* upgrades by default.

`fabtools.rpm.groupupdate` (*group*, *options=None*)

Update an existing software group, skip obsoletes if `obsoletes=1` in `yum.conf`.

Extra *options* may be passed to `yum` if necessary.

`fabtools.rpm.is_installed` (*pkg_name*)

Check if a *package* is installed.

`fabtools.rpm.install` (*packages*, *repos=None*, *yes=None*, *options=None*)

Install one or more *packages*.

Extra *repos* may be passed to `yum` to enable extra repositories at install time.

Extra *yes* may be passed to `yum` to validate license if necessary.

Extra *options* may be passed to `yum` if necessary like: `['--nogpgcheck', '--exclude=package']`

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Install a single package, in an alternative install root
fabtools.rpm.install('emacs', options='--installroot=/my/new/location')

# Install multiple packages silently
fabtools.rpm.install([
    'unzip',
    'nano'
], '--quiet')
```

`fabtools.rpm.groupinstall` (*group*, *options=None*)

Install a *group* of packages. Use `yum grouplist` to get the list of groups.

Extra *options* may be passed to `yum` if necessary like: `['--nogpgcheck', '--exclude=package']`

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Install development packages
fabtools.rpm.groupinstall('Development tools')
```

`fabtools.rpm.uninstall` (*packages*, *options=None*)

Remove one or more *packages*.

Extra *options* may be passed to `yum` if necessary.

`fabtools.rpm.groupuninstall` (*group*, *options=None*)

Remove an existing software group.

Extra *options* may be passed to `yum` if necessary.

`fabtools.rpm.distrib_id` ()

Get the ID of the distrib.

Example:

```
from fabtools.rpm import distrib_id

if distrib_id() == 'CentOS':
    print('%s is not running RHEL.' % (env.host))
```

`fabtools.rpm.distrib_codename` ()

Get the codename of the distrib.

Example:

```
from fabtools.rpm import distrib_codename

if distrib_codename() == 'Final':
    print('%s is running final version of %s %s.'
          % (env.host, distrib_id(), distrib_release))
```

`fabtools.rpm.distrib_desc()`

Get the description of the distrib.

`fabtools.rpm.distrib_release()`

Get the release number of the distrib.

Example:

```
from fabtools.rpm import distrib_release

if distrib_release() == '6.1' and distrib_id == 'CentOS':
    print('CentOS 6.2 has been released. Please update.')
```

`fabtools.rpm.repolist(status='', media=None)`

Get the list of yum repositories. Returns enabled repositories by default.

Extra *status* may be passed to list disabled repositories if necessary.

Media and debug repositories are kept disabled, except if you pass *media*.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Install a package that may be included in disabled repositories
fabtools.rpm.install('vim', fabtools.rpm.repolist('disabled'))
```

5.1.14 fabtools.service

System services

This module provides low-level tools for managing system services, using the `service` command. It supports both `upstart` services and traditional SysV-style `/etc/init.d/` scripts.

See Also:

fabtools.require.service

`fabtools.service.is_running(service)`

Check if a service is running.

```
import fabtools

if fabtools.service.is_running('foo'):
    print "Service foo is running!"
```

`fabtools.service.start(service)`

Start a service.

```
import fabtools

# Start service if it is not running
```

```
if not fabtools.service.is_running('foo'):  
    fabtools.service.start('foo')
```

`fabtools.service.stop(service)`

Stop a service.

```
import fabtools
```

```
# Stop service if it is running  
if fabtools.service.is_running('foo'):  
    fabtools.service.stop('foo')
```

`fabtools.service.restart(service)`

Restart a service.

```
import fabtools
```

```
# Start service, or restart it if it is already running  
if fabtools.service.is_running('foo'):  
    fabtools.service.restart('foo')  
else:  
    fabtools.service.start('foo')
```

`fabtools.service.reload(service)`

Reload a service.

```
import fabtools
```

```
# Reload service  
fabtools.service.reload('foo')
```

Warning: The service needs to support the reload operation.

`fabtools.service.force_reload(service)`

Force reload a service.

```
import fabtools
```

```
# Force reload service  
fabtools.service.force_reload('foo')
```

Warning: The service needs to support the force-reload operation.

5.1.15 `fabtools.shorewall`

Shorewall firewall

See Also:

fabtools.require.shorewall

Firewall status

`fabtools.shorewall.status()`

Get the firewall status.

`fabtools.shorewall.is_started()`

Check if the firewall is started.

`fabtools.shorewall.is_stopped()`

Check if the firewall is stopped.

Firewall rules

`fabtools.shorewall.rule(port, action='ACCEPT', source='net', dest='$FW', proto='tcp')`

Helper to build a firewall rule.

Examples:

```
from fabtools.shorewall import rule
```

```
# Rule to accept connections from example.com on port 1234
```

```
r1 = rule(port=1234, source=hosts(['example.com']))
```

```
# Rule to reject outgoing SMTP connections
```

```
r2 = rule(port=25, action='REJECT', source='$FW', dest='net')
```

`fabtools.shorewall.hosts(hostnames, zone='net')`

Builds a host list suitable for use in a firewall rule.

`fabtools.shorewall.Ping(**kwargs)`

Helper to build a firewall rule for ICMP pings.

Extra args will be passed to `rule()`.

`fabtools.shorewall.SSH(port=22, **kwargs)`

Helper to build a firewall rule for SSH connections

Extra args will be passed to `rule()`.

`fabtools.shorewall.HTTP(port=80, **kwargs)`

Helper to build a firewall rule for HTTP connections

Extra args will be passed to `rule()`.

`fabtools.shorewall.HTTPS(port=443, **kwargs)`

Helper to build a firewall rule for HTTPS connections

Extra args will be passed to `rule()`.

`fabtools.shorewall.SMTP(port=25, **kwargs)`

Helper to build a firewall rule for SMTP connections

Extra args will be passed to `rule()`.

5.1.16 fabtools.supervisor

Supervisor processes

This module provides high-level tools for managing long-running processes using `supervisord`.

See Also:

fabtools.require.supervisor

Manage supervisord

`fabtools.supervisor.reload_config()`

Reload supervisor configuration.

`fabtools.supervisor.update_config()`

Reread and update supervisor job configurations.

Less heavy-handed than a full reload, as it doesn't restart the backend supervisor process and all managed processes.

Manage processes

`fabtools.supervisor.process_status(name)`

Get the status of a supervisor process.

`fabtools.supervisor.start_process(name)`

Start a supervisor process

`fabtools.supervisor.stop_process(name)`

Stop a supervisor process

`fabtools.supervisor.restart_process(name)`

Restart a supervisor process

5.1.17 fabtools.system

System settings

Hostname

`fabtools.system.get_hostname()`

Get the fully qualified hostname.

`fabtools.system.set_hostname(hostname, persist=True)`

Set the hostname.

Kernel parameters

`fabtools.system.get_sysctl(key)`

Get a kernel parameter.

Example:

```
from fabtools.system import get_sysctl

print "Max number of open files:", get_sysctl('fs.file-max')
```

`fabtools.system.set_sysctl(key, value)`

Set a kernel parameter.

Example:

```
import fabtools

# Protect from SYN flooding attack
fabtools.system.set_sysctl('net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies', 1)
```

Locales

`fabtools.system.supported_locales()`
Gets the list of supported locales.
Each locale is returned as a (locale, charset) tuple.

5.1.18 fabtools.user

Users

See Also:

fabtools.require.users

`fabtools.user.exists(name)`
Check if a user exists.

`fabtools.user.create(name, comment=None, home=None, create_home=True, skeleton_dir=None, group=None, create_group=True, extra_groups=None, password=None, system=False, shell=None, uid=None)`
Create a new user and its home directory.

Example:

```
import fabtools

if not fabtools.user.exists('alice'):
    fabtools.user.create('alice')

with cd('/home/alice'):
    # ...
```

`fabtools.user.modify(name, comment=None, home=None, move_current_home=False, group=None, extra_groups=None, login_name=None, password=None, shell=None, uid=None)`
Modify an existing user.

Example:

```
import fabtools

if fabtools.user.exists('alice'):
    fabtools.user.modify('alice', shell='/bin/sh')
```

5.1.19 fabtools.utils

Utilities

`fabtools.utils.run_as_root(command, *args, **kwargs)`
Run a remote command as the root user.

When connecting as root to the remote system, this will use Fabric's `run` function. In other cases, it will use `sudo`.

5.1.20 `fabtools.vagrant`

Vagrant helpers

`fabtools.vagrant.vagrant()`

Run the following tasks on a vagrant box.

First, you need to import this task in your `fabfile.py`:

```
from fabric.api import *
from fabtools.vagrant import vagrant
```

```
@task
def some_task():
    run('echo hello')
```

Then you can easily run tasks on your current Vagrant box:

```
$ fab vagrant some_task
```

`fabtools.vagrant.ssh_config(name='')`

Get the SSH parameters for connecting to a vagrant VM.

`fabtools.vagrant.vagrant`

Run the following tasks on a vagrant box.

First, you need to import this task in your `fabfile.py`:

```
from fabric.api import *
from fabtools.vagrant import vagrant
```

```
@task
def some_task():
    run('echo hello')
```

Then you can easily run tasks on your current Vagrant box:

```
$ fab vagrant some_task
```

`fabtools.vagrant.vagrant_settings(name='', *args, **kwargs)`

Context manager that sets a vagrant VM as the remote host.

Use this context manager inside a task to run commands on your current Vagrant box:

```
from fabtools.vagrant import vagrant_settings

with vagrant_settings():
    run('hostname')
```


5.2 fabtools.require

5.2.1 fabtools.require.deb

Debian packages

This module provides high-level tools for managing Debian/Ubuntu packages and repositories.

See Also:

fabtools.deb

Repositories

`fabtools.require.deb.source(name, uri, distribution, *components)`

Require a package source.

```
from fabtools import require
```

```
# Official MongoDB packages
```

```
require.deb.source('mongodb', 'http://downloads-distro.mongodb.org/repo/ubuntu-upstart', 'dist',
```

`fabtools.require.deb.ppa(name)`

Require a PPA package source.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require
```

```
# Node.js packages by Chris Lea
```

```
require.deb.ppa('ppa:chris-lea/node.js')
```

Packages

`fabtools.require.deb.package(pkg_name, update=False)`

Require a deb package to be installed.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require
```

```
require.deb.package('foo')
```

`fabtools.require.deb.packages(pkg_list, update=False)`

Require several deb packages to be installed.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require
```

```
require.deb.packages([
    'foo',
    'bar',
    'baz',
])
```

`fabtools.require.deb.nopackage(pkg_name)`

Require a deb package to be uninstalled.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.deb.nopackage('apache2')
```

`fabtools.require.deb.nopackages(pkg_list)`

Require several deb packages to be uninstalled.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.deb.nopackages([
    'perl',
    'php5',
    'ruby',
])
```

5.2.2 fabtools.require.files

Files and directories

This module provides high-level tools for managing files and directories.

See Also:

fabtools.files

`fabtools.require.files.directory(path, use_sudo=False, owner='', group='', mode='')`

Require a directory to exist.

```
from fabtools import require

require.directory('/tmp/mydir', owner='alice', use_sudo=True)
```

Note: This function can be accessed directly from the `fabtools.require` module for convenience.

`fabtools.require.files.file(path=None, contents=None, source=None, url=None, md5=None, use_sudo=False, owner=None, group='', mode=None, verify_remote=True)`

Require a file to exist and have specific contents and properties.

You can provide either:

- contents*: the required contents of the file:

```
from fabtools import require

require.file('/tmp/hello.txt', contents='Hello, world')
```

- source*: the local path of a file to upload:

```
from fabtools import require

require.file('/tmp/hello.txt', source='files/hello.txt')
```

- url*: the URL of a file to download (*path* is then optional):

```
from fabric.api import cd
from fabtools import require

with cd('tmp'):
    require.file(url='http://example.com/files/hello.txt')
```

If *verify_remote* is *True* (the default), then an MD5 comparison will be used to check whether the remote file is the same as the source. If this is *False*, the file will be assumed to be the same if it is present. This is useful for very large files, where generating an MD5 sum may take a while.

Note: This function can be accessed directly from the `fabtools.require` module for convenience.

`fabtools.require.files.template_file` (*path=None*, *template_contents=None*, *template_source=None*, *context=None*, ***kwargs*)
Require a file whose contents is defined by a template.

5.2.3 `fabtools.require.groups`

System groups

See Also:

fabtools.group

`fabtools.require.groups.group` (*name*, *gid=None*)
Require a group.

```
from fabtools import require

require.group('mygroup')
```

Note: This function can be accessed directly from the `fabtools.require` module for convenience.

5.2.4 `fabtools.require.mysql`

MySQL

This module provides high-level tools for installing a MySQL server and creating MySQL users and databases.

See Also:

fabtools.mysql

`fabtools.require.mysql.server` (*version=None*, *password=None*)
Require a MySQL server to be installed and running.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.mysql.server(password='s3cr3t')
```

```
fabtools.require.mysql.user(name, password, **kwargs)
```

Require a MySQL user.

Extra arguments will be passed to `fabtools.mysql.create_user()`.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.mysql.user('dbuser', 'somerandomstring')
```

```
fabtools.require.mysql.database(name, **kwargs)
```

Require a MySQL database.

Extra arguments will be passed to `fabtools.mysql.create_database()`.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.mysql.database('myapp', owner='dbuser')
```

5.2.5 fabtools.require.nginx

Nginx

This module provides high-level tools for installing the [nginx](#) web server and managing the configuration of web sites.

```
fabtools.require.nginx.server()
```

Require nginx server to be installed and running.

```
from fabtools import require

require.nginx.server()
```

```
fabtools.require.nginx.enabled(config)
```

Ensure link to `/etc/nginx/sites-available/config` exists and reload nginx configuration if needed.

```
fabtools.require.nginx.disabled(config)
```

Ensure link to `/etc/nginx/sites-available/config` doesn't exist and reload nginx configuration if needed.

```
fabtools.require.nginx.site(server_name, template_contents=None, template_source=None,
                             enabled=True, check_config=True, **kwargs)
```

Require an nginx site.

You must provide a template for the site configuration, either as a string (`template_contents`) or as the path to a local template file (`template_source`).

```
from fabtools import require

CONFIG_TPL = '''
server {
    listen      %(port)d;
    server_name %(server_name)s %(server_alias)s;
    root        %(docroot)s;
    access_log  /var/log/nginx/%(server_name)s.log;
}'''

require.nginx.site('example.com', template_contents=CONFIG_TPL,
```

```

    port=80,
    server_alias='www.example.com',
    docroot='/var/www/mysite',
)

```

See Also:

```
fabtools.require.files.template_file()
```

```
fabtools.require.nginx.proxied_site(server_name, enabled=True, **kwargs)
```

Require an nginx site for a proxied app.

This uses a predefined configuration template suitable for proxying requests to a backend application server.

Required keyword arguments are:

- *port*: the port nginx should listen on
- *proxy_url*: URL of backend application server
- *docroot*: path to static files

```

from fabtools import require

require.nginx.proxied_site('example.com',
    port=80,
    proxy_url='http://127.0.0.1:8080/',
    docroot='/path/to/myapp/static',
)

```

5.2.6 fabtools.require.nodejs

Node.js

This module provides tools for installing [Node.js](#) and managing packages using [npm](#).

See Also:

fabtools.nodejs

```
fabtools.require.nodejs.installed_from_source(version='0.8.19')
```

Require Node.js to be installed from source.

```

from fabtools import require

require.nodejs.installed_from_source()

```

```
fabtools.require.nodejs.package(pkg_name, version=None, local=False)
```

Require a Node.js package.

If the package is not installed, and no *version* is specified, the latest available version will be installed.

If a *version* is specified, and a different version of the package is already installed, it will be updated to the specified version.

If *local* is True, the package will be installed locally.

```

from fabtools import require

# Install package system-wide
require.nodejs.package('foo')

```

```
# Install package locally
require.nodejs.package('bar', local=True)
```

5.2.7 fabtools.require.openvz

OpenVZ containers

This module provides high-level tools for managing OpenVZ templates and containers.

Warning: The remote host needs a patched kernel with OpenVZ support.

See Also:

fabtools.openvz

`fabtools.require.openvz.template` (*name=None, url=None*)

Require an OpenVZ OS template.

If the OS template is not installed yet, it will be downloaded from *url* using `download_template()`:

```
from fabtools import require

# Use custom OS template
require.openvz.template(url='http://example.com/templates/mybox.tar.gz')
```

If no *url* is provided, `download_template()` will attempt to download the OS template from the `download.openvz.org` repository:

```
from fabtools import require

# Use OS template from http://download.openvz.org/template/precreated/
require.openvz.template('debian-6.0-x86_64')
```

`fabtools.require.openvz.container` (*name, otemplate, **kwargs*)

Require an OpenVZ container.

If it does not exist, the container will be created using the specified OS template (see `fabtools.require.openvz.template()`).

Extra args will be passed to `fabtools.openvz.create()`:

```
from fabtools import require

require.openvz.container('foo', 'debian', ipadd='1.2.3.4')
```

This function returns a `fabtools.openvz.Container` object, that can be used to perform further operations:

```
from fabtools.require.openvz import container

ct = container('foo', 'debian')
ct.set('ipadd', '1.2.3.4')
ct.start()
ct.exec2('hostname')
```

This function can also be used as a context manager:

```
from fabtools.require.openvz import container

with container('foo', 'debian') as ct:
    ct.set('ipadd', '1.2.3.4')
    ct.start()
    ct.exec2('hostname')
```

5.2.8 fabtools.require.pkg

SmartOS packages

This module provides high-level tools for managing SmartOS packages.

See Also:

fabtools.pkg

`fabtools.require.pkg.package(pkg_name, update=False, yes=None)`
Require a SmartOS package to be installed.

```
from fabtools import require

require.pkg.package('foo')
```

`fabtools.require.pkg.packages(pkg_list, update=False)`
Require several SmartOS packages to be installed.

```
from fabtools import require

require.pkg.packages([
    'top',
    'unzip',
    'zip',
])
```

`fabtools.require.pkg.nopackage(pkg_name, orphan=True)`
Require a SmartOS package to be uninstalled.

```
from fabtools import require

require.pkg.nopackage('top')
```

`fabtools.require.pkg.nopackages(pkg_list, orphan=True)`
Require several SmartOS packages to be uninstalled.

```
from fabtools import require

require.pkg.nopackages([
    'top',
    'zip',
    'unzip',
])
```

5.2.9 fabtools.require.postfix

Postfix

This module provides high-level tools for managing the [Postfix](#) email server.

`fabtools.require.postfix.server(mailname)`

Require a Postfix email server.

This makes sure that Postfix is installed and started.

```
from fabtools import require

# Handle incoming email for our domain
require.postfix.server('example.com')
```

5.2.10 fabtools.require.postgres

PostgreSQL users and databases

See Also:

fabtools.postgres

`fabtools.require.postgres.server(version=None)`

Require a PostgreSQL server to be installed and running.

```
from fabtools import require
```

```
require.postgres.server()
```

`fabtools.require.postgres.user(name, password, superuser=False, createdb=False, create_role=False, inherit=True, login=True, connection_limit=None, encrypted_password=False)`

Require the existence of a PostgreSQL user. The password and options provided will only be applied when creating a new user (existing users will *not* be modified).

```
from fabtools import require

require.postgres.user('dbuser', password='somerandomstring')

require.postgres.user('dbuser2', password='s3cr3t',
                      createdb=True, create_role=True, connection_limit=20)
```

`fabtools.require.postgres.database(name, owner, template='template0', encoding='UTF8', locale='en_US.UTF-8')`

Require a PostgreSQL database.

```
from fabtools import require

require.postgres.database('myapp', owner='dbuser')
```

5.2.11 fabtools.require.python

Python environments and packages

This module includes tools for using [virtual environments](#) and installing packages using [pip](#).

See Also:*fabtools.python***Virtual environments**

`fabtools.require.python.virtualenv` (*directory*, *system_site_packages=False*, *python=None*,
use_sudo=False, *user=None*, *clear=False*)

Require a Python *virtual environment*.

```
from fabtools import require

require.python.virtualenv('/path/to/venv')
```

Installing packages

`fabtools.require.python.package` (*pkg_name*, *url=None*, ***kwargs*)

Require a Python package.

If the package is not installed, it will be installed using the *pip* installer.

```
from fabtools.python import virtualenv
from fabtools import require

# Install package system-wide
require.python.package('foo', use_sudo=True)

# Install package in an existing virtual environment
with virtualenv('/path/to/venv'):
    require.python.package('bar')
```

`fabtools.require.python.packages` (*pkg_list*, ***kwargs*)

Require several Python packages.

`fabtools.require.python.requirements` (*filename*, ***kwargs*)

Require Python packages from a *pip requirements* file.

`fabtools.require.python.pip` (*version=None*)

Require *pip* to be installed.

`fabtools.require.python.distribute` ()

Require *distribute* to be installed.

5.2.12 fabtools.require.redis**Redis**

This module provides high-level tools for managing *Redis* instances.

`fabtools.require.redis.installed_from_source` (*version='2.6.10'*)

Require Redis to be installed from source.

The compiled binaries will be installed in `/opt/redis-{version}/`.

`fabtools.require.redis.instance` (*name*, *version='2.6.10'*, ***kwargs*)

Require a Redis instance to be running.

The instance will be managed using supervisord, as a process named `redis_{name}`, running as the `redis` user.

```
from fabtools import require
from fabtools.supervisor import process_status

require.redis.installed_from_source()

require.redis.instance('db1', port='6379')
require.redis.instance('db2', port='6380')

print process_status('redis_db1')
print process_status('redis_db2')
```

See Also:

fabtools.supervisor and *fabtools.require.supervisor*

5.2.13 `fabtools.require.rpm`

RPM packages

This module provides high-level tools for managing CentOS/RHEL/SL packages and repositories.

See Also:

fabtools.rpm

`fabtools.require.rpm.package` (*pkg_name*, *repos=None*, *yes=None*, *options=None*)
Require a rpm package to be installed.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.rpm.package('emacs')
```

`fabtools.require.rpm.packages` (*pkg_list*, *repos=None*, *yes=None*, *options=None*)
Require several rpm packages to be installed.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.rpm.packages([
    'nano',
    'unzip',
    'vim',
])
```

`fabtools.require.rpm.nopackage` (*pkg_name*, *options=None*)
Require a rpm package to be uninstalled.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.rpm.nopackage('emacs')
```

`fabtools.require.rpm.nopackages(pkg_list, options=None)`

Require several rpm packages to be uninstalled.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.rpm.nopackages([
    'unzip',
    'vim',
    'emacs',
])
```

`fabtools.require.rpm.repository(name)`

Require a repository. Aimed for 3rd party repositories.

Name currently only supports EPEL and RPMforge.

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

# RPMforge packages for CentOS 6
require.rpm.repository('rpmforge')
```

5.2.14 fabtools.require.service

System services

This module provides high-level tools for managing system services. The underlying operations use the `service` command, allowing to support both `upstart` services and traditional SysV-style `/etc/init.d/` scripts.

See Also:

fabtools.service

`fabtools.require.service.started(service)`

Require a service to be started.

```
from fabtools import require

require.service.started('foo')
```

`fabtools.require.service.stopped(service)`

Require a service to be stopped.

```
from fabtools import require

require.service.stopped('foo')
```

`fabtools.require.service.restarted(service)`

Require a service to be restarted.

```
from fabtools import require

require.service.restarted('foo')
```

5.2.15 fabtools.require.shorewall

Shorewall firewall

See Also:

fabtools.shorewall

`fabtools.require.shorewall.firewall` (*zones=None, interfaces=None, policy=None, rules=None, routestopped=None, masq=None*)

Ensure that a firewall is configured.

Example:

```
from fabtools.shorewall import *
from fabtools import require

# We need a firewall with some custom rules
require.shorewall.firewall(
    rules=[
        Ping(),
        SSH(),
        HTTP(),
        HTTPS(),
        SMTP(),
        rule(port=1234, source=hosts(['example.com'])),
    ]
)
```

`fabtools.require.shorewall.started()`

Ensure that the firewall is started.

`fabtools.require.shorewall.stopped()`

Ensure that the firewall is stopped.

5.2.16 fabtools.require.supervisor

Supervisor processes

This module provides high-level tools for managing long-running processes using [supervisor](#).

See Also:

fabtools.supervisor

`fabtools.require.supervisor.process` (*name, **kwargs*)

Require a supervisor process to be running.

Keyword arguments will be used to build the program configuration file. Some useful arguments are:

- **command**: complete command including arguments (**required**)
- **directory**: absolute path to the working directory
- **user**: run the process as this user
- **stdout_logfile**: absolute path to the log file

You should refer to the [supervisor documentation](#) for the complete list of allowed arguments.

Note: the default values for the following arguments differs from the supervisor defaults:

- `autorestart`: defaults to `true`
- `redirect_stderr`: defaults to `true`

Example:

```
from fabtools import require

require.supervisor.process('myapp',
    command='/path/to/venv/bin/myapp --config production.ini --someflag',
    directory='/path/to/working/dir',
    user='alice',
    stdout_logfile='/path/to/logs/myapp.log',
)
```

5.2.17 `fabtools.require.system`

System settings

See Also:

fabtools.system

`fabtools.require.system.hostname` (*name*)

Require the hostname to have a specific value.

`fabtools.require.system.sysctl` (*key, value, persist=True*)

Require a kernel parameter to have a specific value.

Locales

`fabtools.require.system.default_locale` (*name*)

Require the locale to be the default.

`fabtools.require.system.locale` (*name*)

Require the locale to be available.

`fabtools.require.system.locales` (*names*)

Require the list of locales to be available.

5.2.18 `fabtools.require.users`

System users

See Also:

fabtools.user

`fabtools.require.users.user` (*name, comment=None, home=None, create_home=True, skeleton_dir=None, group=None, create_group=True, extra_groups=None, password=None, system=False, shell=None, uid=None*)

Require a user and its home directory.

```
from fabtools import require

# This will also create a home directory for alice
require.user('alice')

# Sometimes we don't need a home directory
require.user('mydaemon', create_home=False)
```

Note: This function can be accessed directly from the `fabtools.require` module for convenience.

`fabtools.require.users.sudoer` (*username*, *hosts*='ALL', *operators*='ALL', *passwd*=False, *commands*='ALL')

Require sudo permissions for a given user.

Note: This function can be accessed directly from the `fabtools.require` module for convenience.

HISTORY

6.1 Changelog

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- Fix requiring an existing user (thanks to JonPeel)
- Upgrade default Redis version to 2.6.10
- Upgrade default Node.js version to 0.8.19
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6.1.7 Version 0.9.0 (2013-01-04)

- Improve user creation and modification
- Add support for BSD / OS X to `files.owner`, `files.group`, `files.mode` and `files.md5sum` (thanks to Troy J. Farrell)
- Improve PostgreSQL user creation (thanks to Troy J. Farrell and Axel Haustant)
- Add `reload` and `force_reload` operations to the `service` module (thanks to Axel Haustant)
- Fix missing import in `require.redis` (thanks to svevang and Sébastien Béal)
- Add `clear` option to Python `virtualenv` (thanks to pahaz)
- Upgrade default Redis version to 2.6.7
- Upgrade default Node.js version to 0.8.16
- Decrease verbosity of some operations
- Speed up functional tests

6.1.8 Version 0.8.1 (2012-10-26)

- Really fix pip version parsing issue
- Upgrade default pip version to 1.2.1

6.1.9 Version 0.8.0 (2012-10-26)

- Improve user module (thanks to Gaël Pasgrimaud)
- Fix locale support on Debian (thanks to Olivier Kautz)
- Fix version number in documentation (thanks to Guillaume Ayoub)
- Fix potential issue with pip version parsing

6.1.10 Version 0.7.0 (2012-10-13)

- Fix changed directory owner requirement (thanks to Troy J. Farrell)
- Add functions to get a file's owner, group and mode

6.1.11 Version 0.6.0 (2012-10-13)

- Add support for Node.js (thanks to Frank Rousseau)
- Fix dependency on Fabric `>= 1.4.0` (thanks to Laurent Bachelier)

6.1.12 Version 0.5.1 (2012-09-21)

- Documentation and packaging fixes

6.1.13 Version 0.5 (2012-09-21)

- The `watch` context manager now allows you to either provide a callback or do an explicit check afterwards (**warning:** this change is not backwards compatible, please update your fabfiles)
- **Add support for some network-related operations:**
 - get the IPV4 address assigned to an interface
 - get the list of name server IP addresses
- The `services` module now supports both upstart and traditional SysV-style `/etc/init.d` scripts (thanks to Selwin Ong)
- The `virtualenv` context manager can now also be used with `local()` (thanks to khorn)
- The `supervisor` module now uses `update` instead of `reload` to avoid unnecessary restarts (thanks to Dan Fairs)
- Add support for OpenVZ containers (requires a kernel with OpenVZ patches)
- `pip` can now use a download cache
- Upgrade Redis version to 2.4.17
- Misc bug fixes and improvements
- Support for Ubuntu 12.04 LTS and Debian 6.0
- Documentation improvements

6.1.14 Version 0.4 (2012-05-30)

- Added support for requiring an arbitrary APT source
- Added support for adding APT signing keys
- Added support for requiring a user with a home directory
- Added vagrant helpers
- Fixed Python virtualenv context manager

6.1.15 Version 0.3.2 (2012-03-19)

- Fixed README formatting

6.1.16 Version 0.3.1 (2012-03-19)

- Fixed bug in functional tests runner

6.1.17 Version 0.3 (2012-03-19)

- Added support for Shorewall (Shoreline Firewall)
- Fixed Python 2.5 compatibility
- Refactored tests

6.1.18 Version 0.2.1 (2012-03-09)

- Packaging fixes

6.1.19 Version 0.2 (2012-03-09)

- Added support for hostname and sysctl (kernel parameters)
- Added support for Redis
- Simplified API for supervisor processes

6.1.20 Version 0.1.1 (2012-02-19)

- Packaging fixes

6.1.21 Version 0.1 (2012-02-19)

- Initial release

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7.1 Tests

7.1.1 Running tests

If you're using Python 2.7, you can launch the tests using the built-in `unittest` runner:

```
$ python -m unittest discover
```

If you're using Python 2.5 or 2.6, you'll need to install `unittest2`, and use the provided runner:

```
$ pip install unittest2
$ unit2 discover
```

Or you can run the tests on all supported Python versions using `tox`, which will take care of everything:

```
$ pip install tox
$ tox
```

7.1.2 Unit tests

Running unit tests requires the `mock` library.

7.1.3 Functional tests

Running functional tests requires `Vagrant` to launch virtual machines, against which all the tests will be run.

If `Vagrant` is not installed, the functional tests will be skipped automatically.

If `Vagrant` is installed, the default is to run the tests on all available base boxes. You can specify which base boxes should be used by setting the `FABTOOLS_TEST_BOXES` environment variable:

```
$ FABTOOLS_TEST_BOXES='ubuntu_10_04 ubuntu_12_04' tox -e py27
```

You can also use this to manually disable functional tests:

```
$ FABTOOLS_TEST_BOXES='' tox
```


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