Developing collections

Collections are a distribution format for Ansible content. You can package and distribute playbooks, roles, modules, and plugins using collections. A typical collection addresses a set of related use cases. For example, the `cisco.ios` collection automates management of Cisco IOS devices.

You can create a collection and publish it to Ansible Galaxy or to a private Automation Hub instance. You can publish certified collections to the Red Hat Automation Hub, part of the Red Hat Ansible Automation Platform.

Examine the `developing_collections_path` to understand how to go from creating a collection to having it included in the Ansible package distribution.

developing_collections_creating developing_collections_shared developing_collections_testing developing_collections_resource_reporting developing_collections_distributing developing_collections_documenting

developing_collections_migrating developing_collections_contributing developing_collections_changelogs

developing_collections_structure collections_galaxy_meta

For instructions on developing modules, see `developing_modules_general`.

`collections`
Learn how to install and use collections in playbooks and roles

`contributing_maintained_collections`
Guidelines for contributing to selected collections

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