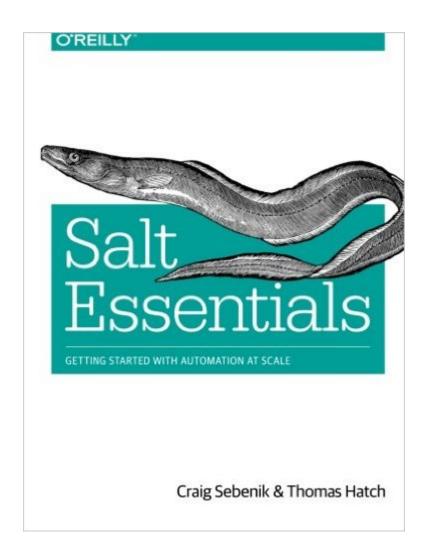
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Get a complete introduction to Salt, the widely used Python-based configuration management and remote execution tool. This practical guide not only shows system administrators how to manage complex infrastructures with Salt, but also teaches developers how to use Salt to deploy and manage their applications. Written by two Salt experts, this book provides the information you need to deploy Salt in a production infrastructure right away. Youâ ™II also learn how to customize Salt and use salt-cloud to manage your virtualization. If you have experience with Linux and data formats such as JSON or XML, youâ ™re ready to get started. Understand what Salt can do, and get a high-level overview of basic commands Learn how execution modules let you interact with many systems at once Use states to define how you want a host or a set of hosts to look Dive into grains and pillars, Saltâ ™s basic data elements Control your infrastructure programmatically by extending Salt Masterâ ™s functionality Extend Salt with custom modules, the Jinja templating language, and Python scripts

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This book helped me come up to speed about Salt in just 3 days - I work in a company trying to migrate their apps to the cloud and one of the challenges was migrating from an older orchestration framework (mcollective) to Salt - chosen because of its consistent programming model and its scalability with speed. I just wished the book had more details about Salt's capability for different

topologies and how we can leverage more with Runners by writing our own custom orchestration mechanism. But I understand that the authors PoV that this book is meant to show us the door about different powerful capabilities about Salt - and its website has the path to more details, which makes sense.

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