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1 Enterprise Linux 7 (RedHat, CentOS)

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Command cheat sheet for EL7. For every action, I try to give the 'canonical' command, as recommended by RedHat. That means using systemd, NetworkManager, journald, etc.

1.1 Network configuration

Action	Command
List interfaces (and IP addresses)	ip address, ip a
Route table	ip route,ip r
DNS servers	cat /etc/resolv.conf
Set IP address of an interface*	ip address add 192.168.56.1/24 dev vboxnet0

^(*) This example is actually a workaround for a bug that causes NetworkManager 0.9.9 to manage virtual network interfaces.

1.1.1 NetworkManager

Action	Command
Show available network connection profiles	nmcli connection show
Show active network connection profiles	nmcli connection show active
Show network device status	nmcli device status
Connect to profile CONNECTION	nmcli connection up id CONNECTION
Disconnect profile CONNECTION	nmcli connection down id CONNECTION
Query Wifi status	nmcli radio wifi
Turn Wifi on/off	nmcli radio wifi {on,off}
List available wireless networks	nmcli device wifi list
Refresh list of wireless networks	nmcli device wifi rescan

Action	Command
Connect to wireless network SSID	nmcli device wifi connect SSID

connection and device can be abbreviated to con and dev, respectively.

1.1.2 Host name

There are three kinds of host names:

- Static: "traditional" host name, stored in /etc/hostname
- Transient: dynamic, set in kernel. Default value is the static host name, can be set by e.g. DHCP or mDNS.
- Pretty: free form, for presentation to the user. Default value is the static host name.

Action	Command
Get hosti names Set (all) host names	hostnamectl hostnamectl set-hostname HOSTNAME
Set specific host name	hostnamectl set-hostnamestatic HOSTNAME
	hostnamectl set-hostnametransient HOSTNAME hostnamectl set-hostnamepretty HOSTNAME
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1.1.3 Resources

- RedHat Enterprise Linux 7 Networking Guide
- Fedora Wiki: Networking/CLI
- RHEL 7: How to get started with Systemd, at certdepot.net

1.2 Managing services with systemctl

Action	Command
List services	systemctl list-unitstype service
Query SERVICE status	sudo systemctl status SERVICE.service
List failed services on boot	sudo systemctlfailed
Start SERVICE	sudo systemctl start SERVICE.service
Stop SERVICE	sudo systemctl stop SERVICE.service
Restart SERVICE	sudo systemctl restart SERVICE.service
Kill SERVICE (all processes) with SIGTERM	sudo systemctl kill SERVICE.service
Kill SERVICE (all processes) with SIGKILL	sudo systemctl kill -s SIGKILL SERVICE.service
Start SERVICE on boot	sudo systemctl enable SERVICE.service
Don't start SERVICE on boot	sudo systemctl disable SERVICE.service

1.3 Runlevels

Run with root privileges (sudo)

Action	Command		
Go to single user mode	systemctl rescue		
Go to multi-user mode	systemctl isolate multi-user.target		
(= old runlevel 3)	systemctl isolate runlevel3.target		

Action	Command	
Go to graphical level	systemctl isolate graphical.target	
Get default runlevel	systemctl get-default	
Set default runlevel	systemctl set-default graphical.targe	
Shutdown	systemctl poweroff	
Reboot, suspend, hibernate	systemctl STATE	

1.3.1 Resources

- RedhHat 7 System Administrator's Guide
- Systemd for Administrators, Part IV: Killing Services

1.4 Perusing system logs

On Linux distros based on systemd, logs can be viewed using the journalctl command. This requires root privileges. However, users that are members of the adm group get access as well. So, add your user to the adm group to make viewing logs easier.

Action	Command
Show log since last boot	journalctl -b
Kernel messages (like dmesg)	journalctl -k
Show latest log and wait for changes	journalctl -f
Reverse output (newest first)	journalctl -r
Show only errors and worse	journalctl -b -p err
Filter on time (example)	journalctlsince=2014-06-00until="2014-06-07 12:00:00"
Since yesterday	journalctlsince=yesterday
Show only log of SERVICE	journalctl -u SERVICE
Match executable, e.g. dhclient	journalctl /usr/sbin/dhclient
Match device node, e.g. /dev/sda	journalctl /dev/sda

1.4.1 "Traditional" logs

Traditionally, logs are text files in /var/log. Some services still write their logs to these text files and not to journald.

Action	Command
Live view of log FILE	tail -f /var/log/FILE
Colorized live view of boot/kernel messages	dmesg -wH

1.4.2 Resources

• Systemd for Administrators, Part XVII: Using the journal

1.5 Configuring the firewall with firewalld

The firewalld-cmd should run with root privileges, do always use sudo.

Action	Command
Firewall state	firewall-cmdstate
Reload permanent rules	firewall-cmdreload
Currently enabled features	firewall-cmdlist-all-zones

Action	Command
List supported zones	firewall-cmdget-zones
List preconfigured services	firewall-cmdget-services
Enabled features in current zone	firewall-cmdlist-all
Enabled features in zone	<pre>firewall-cmd [permanent] [zone=ZONE]list-all</pre>
Enable a service in zone	<pre>firewall-cmd [permanent] [zone=ZONE]add-service=http</pre>
Remove service frome zone	<pre>firewall-cmd [permanent] [zone=ZONE]remove-service=http</pre>
Enable a port in zone	<pre>firewall-cmd [permanent] [zone=ZONE]add-port=80/tcp</pre>
Remove a port from zone	<pre>firewall-cmd [permanent] [zone=ZONE]remove-port=80/tcp</pre>
Turn panic mode on	firewall-cmdpanic-on
Turn panic mode off	firewall-cmdpanic-off

- Configuration is stored in /etc/firewalld and /usr/lib/firewalld
- The default zone is public, which you don't have to specify on the command line when adding/removing rules
- Adding permanent rules

1.5.1 Resources

- Using Firewalls, in RHEL 7 Security Guide
- FirewallD, in Fedora Project Wiki