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Activity 1: Configure Network using Virtual Machines

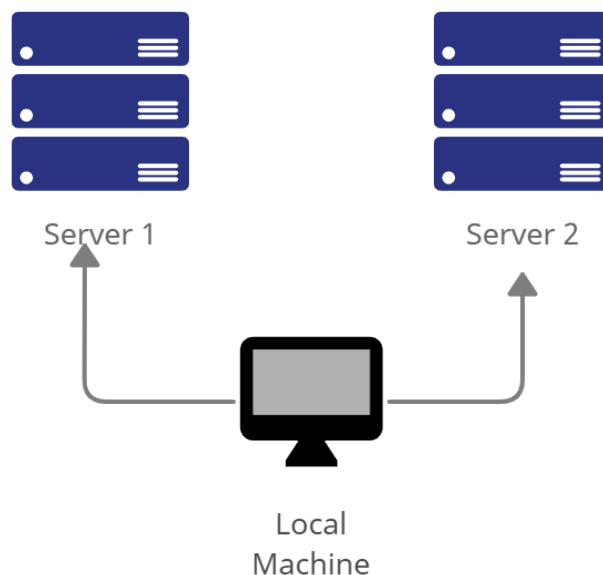
1. Objectives:

- 1.1. Create and configure Virtual Machines in Microsoft Azure or VirtualBox
- 1.2. Set-up a Virtual Network and Test Connectivity of VMs

2. Discussion:

Network Topology:

Assume that you have created the following network topology in Virtual Machines, *provide screenshots for each task*. (Note: *it is assumed that you have the prior knowledge of cloning and creating snapshots in a virtual machine*).



Task 1: Do the following on Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine. In editing the file using nano command, press control + O to write out (save the file). Press enter when asked for the name of the file. Press control + X to end.

1. Change the hostname using the command *sudo nano /etc/hostname*
 - 1.1 Use server1 for Server 1

```
angela@server1: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hostname
server1
```

1.2 Use server2 for Server 2

```
angela@server2: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hostname
server2
```

1.3 Use workstation for the Local Machine

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hostname
workstation
```

2. Edit the hosts using the command *sudo nano /etc/hosts*. Edit the second line.

2.1 Type 127.0.0.1 server 1 for Server 1

```
angela@server1: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hosts Modified
127.0.0.1 server1
```

2.2 Type 127.0.0.1 server 2 for Server 2

```
angela@server2: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hosts Modified
127.0.0.1 server2
```

2.3 Type 127.0.0.1 workstation for the Local Machine

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hosts Modified
127.0.0.1 workstation
```

Task 2: Configure SSH on Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine. Do the following:

1. Upgrade the packages by issuing the command *sudo apt update* and *sudo apt upgrade* respectively.

```
angela@workstation: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@workstation:~$ sudo apt update | sudo apt upgrade -y  
  
WARNING: apt does not have a stable CLI interface. Use with caution in scripts.  
  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
Calculating upgrade... Done  
  
angela@server1: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server1:~$ sudo nano /etc/hosts  
angela@server1:~$ sudo apt update | sudo apt upgrade -y  
  
WARNING: apt does not have a stable CLI interface. Use with caution in scripts.  
  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
Calculating upgrade... Done  
  
angela@server2: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server2:~$ sudo apt update | sudo apt upgrade -y  
  
WARNING: apt does not have a stable CLI interface. Use with caution in scri  
pts.  
  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
Calculating upgrade... Done
```

2. Install the SSH server using the command *sudo apt install openssh-server*.

```
angela@server1: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
  
angela@server1:~$  
angela@server1:~$ sudo apt install openssh-server  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
  
angela@server2: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
Reading state information... Done  
E: Unable to locate package openssh_server  
angela@server2:~$ sudo apt install openssh-server  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done
```

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Processing triggers for ureadahead (0.100.0-21) ...
Processing triggers for dbus (1.12.2-1ubuntu1.4) ...
angela@workstation:~$ sudo apt install openssh-server
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
```

3. Verify if the SSH service has started by issuing the following commands:

3.1 *sudo service ssh start*

3.2 *sudo systemctl status ssh*

```
angela@server1: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@server1:~$ sudo service ssh start
angela@server1:~$ sudo systemctl status ssh
● ssh.service - OpenBSD Secure Shell server
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/ssh.service; enabled; vendor preset: e
   Active: active (running) since Tue 2023-08-15 17:09:48 PST; 3min 50s ago
   Main PID: 20138 (sshd)
     Tasks: 1 (limit: 2318)
    CGroup: /system.slice/ssh.service
            └─20138 /usr/sbin/sshd -D

Aug 15 17:09:48 server1 systemd[1]: Starting OpenBSD Secure Shell server...
Aug 15 17:09:48 server1 sshd[20138]: Server listening on 0.0.0.0 port 22.
Aug 15 17:09:48 server1 sshd[20138]: Server listening on :: port 22.
Aug 15 17:09:48 server1 systemd[1]: Started OpenBSD Secure Shell server.
```

```
angela@server2: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@server2:~$ sudo service ssh start
angela@server2:~$ sudo systemctl status ssh
● ssh.service - OpenBSD Secure Shell server
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/ssh.service; enabled; vendor preset:
   Active: active (running) since Tue 2023-08-15 17:11:48 PST; 2min 57s ago
   Main PID: 19883 (sshd)
     Tasks: 1 (limit: 2318)
    CGroup: /system.slice/ssh.service
            └─19883 /usr/sbin/sshd -D

Aug 15 17:11:48 server2 systemd[1]: Starting OpenBSD Secure Shell server...
Aug 15 17:11:48 server2 sshd[19883]: Server listening on 0.0.0.0 port 22.
Aug 15 17:11:48 server2 sshd[19883]: Server listening on :: port 22.
Aug 15 17:11:48 server2 systemd[1]: Started OpenBSD Secure Shell server.
```

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@workstation:~$ sudo service ssh start
angela@workstation:~$ sudo systemctl status ssh
● ssh.service - OpenBSD Secure Shell server
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/ssh.service; enabled; vendor
   Active: active (running) since Tue 2023-08-15 17:10:37 PST; 4min
   Main PID: 19448 (sshd)
     Tasks: 1 (limit: 2318)
    CGroup: /system.slice/ssh.service
            └─19448 /usr/sbin/sshd -D

Aug 15 17:10:37 workstation systemd[1]: Starting OpenBSD Secure She
Aug 15 17:10:37 workstation sshd[19448]: Server listening on 0.0.0.
Aug 15 17:10:37 workstation sshd[19448]: Server listening on :: por
Aug 15 17:10:37 workstation systemd[1]: Started OpenBSD Secure Shel
```

4. Configure the firewall to all port 22 by issuing the following commands:

4.1 sudo ufw allow ssh

4.2 sudo ufw enable

4.3 sudo ufw status

```
angela@server1: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@server1:~$ sudo ufw allow ssh
Rules updated
Rules updated (v6)
angela@server1:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
angela@server1:~$ sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
--
22/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
22/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
```

```
angela@server2: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@server2:~$ sudo ufw allow ssh
Rules updated
Rules updated (v6)
angela@server2:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
angela@server2:~$ sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
--
22/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
22/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
```

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@workstation:~$ sudo ufw allow ssh
Rules updated
Rules updated (v6)
angela@workstation:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
angela@workstation:~$ sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
--
22/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
22/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
```

Task 3: Verify network settings on Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine. On each device, do the following:

1. Record the ip address of Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine. Issue the command *ifconfig* and check network settings. Note that the ip addresses of all the machines are in this network 192.168.56.XX.

1.1 workstation IP address: 192.168.56.113

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@workstation:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.0.2.15 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
    inet6 fe80::c142:2837:58b6:228c prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether 08:00:27:90:50:f7 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 119755 bytes 176466243 (176.4 MB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 28625 bytes 1963114 (1.9 MB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

enp0s8: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 192.168.56.113 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255
    inet6 fe80::aa1e:6ef8:2fdf:9159 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether 08:00:27:30:62:46 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 248 bytes 31281 (31.2 KB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 113 bytes 14742 (14.7 KB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

1.2 Server 1 IP address: 192.168.56.114

```
angela@server1: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server1:~$ ifconfig  
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 10.0.2.15 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255  
    inet6 fe80::633f:4aa5:8ab2:b226 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>  
    ether 08:00:27:eb:3d:be txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)  
    RX packets 400733 bytes 601300077 (601.3 MB)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0  
    TX packets 137415 bytes 8512837 (8.5 MB)  
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0  
  
enp0s8: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 192.168.56.114 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255  
    inet6 fe80::b18a:e33d:9755:ab39 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>  
    ether 08:00:27:0b:97:ec txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)  
    RX packets 187 bytes 24011 (24.0 KB)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0  
    TX packets 117 bytes 15099 (15.0 KB)  
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

1.3 Server 2 IP address: 192.168.56.115

```
angela@server2: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server2:~$ ifconfig  
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 10.0.2.15 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255  
    inet6 fe80::f0f7:1a3f:3183:c788 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>  
    ether 08:00:27:9b:30:8f txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)  
    RX packets 492446 bytes 740478068 (740.4 MB)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0  
    TX packets 100226 bytes 6259612 (6.2 MB)  
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0  
  
enp0s8: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 192.168.56.115 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255  
    inet6 fe80::8688:757a:4d6d:a2b4 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>  
    ether 08:00:27:77:b3:93 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)  
    RX packets 410 bytes 50978 (50.9 KB)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0  
    TX packets 117 bytes 15111 (15.1 KB)  
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

2. Make sure that they can ping each other.

2.1 Connectivity test for Local Machine 1 to Server 1: ☒ Successful ☐ Not Successful

```
angela@workstation: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@workstation:~$ ping 192.168.56.114  
PING 192.168.56.114 (192.168.56.114) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.114: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=1.57 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.114: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=1.01 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.114: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=1.57 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.114: icmp_seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.857 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.114: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=1.07 ms
```

2.2 Connectivity test for Local Machine 1 to Server 2: ☒ Successful ☐ Not Successful

```
angela@workstation: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@workstation:~$ ping 192.168.56.115  
PING 192.168.56.115 (192.168.56.115) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=1.23 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=1.29 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.967 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.403 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.469 ms
```

2.3 Connectivity test for Server 1 to Server 2: ☒ Successful ☐ Not Successful

```
angela@server1: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server1:~$ ping 192.168.56.115  
PING 192.168.56.115 (192.168.56.115) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.834 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=1.14 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.437 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.423 ms  
64 bytes from 192.168.56.115: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=1.24 ms
```

Task 4: Verify SSH connectivity on Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine.

1. On the Local Machine, issue the following commands:

1.1 `ssh username@ip_address_server1` for example, `ssh jvtaylor@192.168.56.120`

1.2 Enter the password for server 1 when prompted

1.3 Verify that you are in server 1. The user should be in this format `user@server1`. For example, `jvtaylor@server1`

```
angela@server1: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@workstation:~$ ssh angela@192.168.56.114  
The authenticity of host '192.168.56.114 (192.168.56.114)' can't be established.  
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:8ePCLLzZU+YVU2f9VcCKtMMtU6viuk0Z+8U1Vb0LjeY.  
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? y  
Please type 'yes' or 'no': yes  
Warning: Permanently added '192.168.56.114' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.  
angela@192.168.56.114's password:  
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.18.0-15-generic x86_64)  
  
* Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com  
* Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com  
* Support:        https://ubuntu.com/advantage  
  
Expanded Security Maintenance for Infrastructure is not enabled.  
0 updates can be applied immediately.  
  
Enable ESM Infra to receive additional future security updates.  
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status  
  
Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2023.  
*** System restart required ***  
  
The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;  
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the  
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.  
  
Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by  
applicable law.  
angela@server1:~$
```


2. Logout of Server 1 by issuing the command **control + D**.

```
angela@workstation: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server1:~$ logout  
Connection to 192.168.56.114 closed.
```

3. Do the same for Server 2.

```
angela@server2: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@workstation:~$ ssh angela@192.168.56.115  
The authenticity of host '192.168.56.115 (192.168.56.115)' can't be established.  
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:x5nwKe5N/64uQV5/ZB2/18p3hFKMucU3Arrg900Jh0.  
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes  
Warning: Permanently added '192.168.56.115' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.  
angela@192.168.56.115's password:  
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.18.0-15-generic x86_64)  
  
* Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com  
* Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com  
* Support:        https://ubuntu.com/advantage  
  
Expanded Security Maintenance for Infrastructure is not enabled.  
0 updates can be applied immediately.  
  
Enable ESM Infra to receive additional future security updates.  
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status  
  
Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2023.  
*** System restart required ***  
  
The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;  
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the  
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.  
  
Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by  
applicable law.  
angela@server2:~$
```

```
angela@workstation: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
angela@server2:~$ logout  
Connection to 192.168.56.115 closed.
```

4. Edit the hosts of the Local Machine by issuing the command **sudo nano /etc/hosts**. Below all texts type the following:
- 4.1 **IP_address server 1** (provide the ip address of server 1 followed by the hostname)
 - 4.2 **IP_address server 2** (provide the ip address of server 2 followed by the hostname)
 - 4.3 Save the file and exit.

```
angela@workstation: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/hosts Modified

127.0.0.1    workstation
192.168.56.114 server1
192.168.56.115 server2

# The following lines are desirable for IPv6 capable hosts
::1        ip6-localhost ip6-loopback
fe00::0    ip6-localnet
ff00::0    ip6-mcastprefix
ff02::1    ip6-allnodes
ff02::2    ip6-allrouters
```

5. On the local machine, verify that you can do the SSH command but this time, use the hostname instead of typing the IP address of the servers. For example, try to do `ssh jvtaylor@server1`. Enter the password when prompted. Verify that you have entered Server 1. Do the same for Server 2.

```
angela@server2: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@workstation:~$ ssh angela@server1
The authenticity of host 'server1 (192.168.56.114)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:8ePCLlZu+YVu2f9VcCKtMMtU6viuk0Z+8U1VbOLjeV.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'server1' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
angela@server1's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.18.0-15-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

Expanded Security Maintenance for Infrastructure is not enabled.

0 updates can be applied immediately.

Enable ESM Infra to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status

New release '20.04.6 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2023.
*** System restart required ***
Last login: Tue Aug 15 17:31:20 2023 from 192.168.56.113
```

```
angela@server2: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
angela@workstation:~$ ssh angela@server2
The authenticity of host 'server2 (192.168.56.115)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:x5nwKe5N/64uQVS/ZB2/18p3hFKMUcUU3Arrg900Jh0.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'server2' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
angela@server2's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.18.0-15-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

Expanded Security Maintenance for Infrastructure is not enabled.

0 updates can be applied immediately.

Enable ESM Infra to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status

New release '20.04.6 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2023.
*** System restart required ***
Last login: Tue Aug 15 17:36:12 2023 from 192.168.56.113
```

Reflections:

Answer the following:

1. How are we able to use the hostname instead of IP address in SSH commands?

We were able to connect and use the SSH commands once we edited the ip address and assigned a hostname for it. This was possible when we edited the hostname using the `sudo nano /etc/hostname` and `sudo nano /etc/hosts` for the hostname and the ip address.

2. How secure is SSH?

SSH is very secure as it encrypts keys and requires authentication for passwords and other sensitive content. Multiple authentication is also needed for logins especially for public or local computers. This allows more security where the contents are not easily seen and modified.

Conclusion:

For this very first activity for this course, it was quite easy as the instructions were very clear and other components through it were already learned for the previous related course. Firstly, we created our own Ubuntu desktop and modified it to be able to clone and connect to different servers. After the cloning process was finished, we edited the hostname for the different Ubuntu desktop. This hostname that we have assigned also serves as our connecting hostnames for the different servers if we want to connect to them. There are more commands to make it possible and connecting the servers to each other but seeing it works at the end is quite joyful. Connecting and the ping proves that the desktops / servers were completely connected with each other. We were also able to switch from servers to servers if the connectivity was successful. Overall, I think that this was a good introduction to the course and to the following discussions and activities.

"I affirm that I will not give or receive any unauthorized help on this activity and that all work will be my own."