

1 SSH CheatSheet

TOOLS

- PDF Link: [cheatsheet-ssh-A4.pdf](#)
- Blog URL: <https://cheatsheet.dennyzhang.com/cheatsheet-ssh>
- Category: tools

File me Issues or star this repo.

See more CheatSheets from Denny: [#denny-cheatsheets](#)

1.1 ssh general

Name	Summary
run ssh command by muting host key check	<code>ssh -o StrictHostKeyChecking=no root@192.168.7</code>
ssh tunnel	<code>ssh -N -p 22 -i <ssh-keyfile> -f root@172.17.0</code>
ssh agent load key	<code>exec ssh-agent bash && ssh-keygen, ssh-add</code>
generate a new key pair	<code>ssh-keygen, ssh-keygen -C "your_email@example.c</code>
generate a new key pair without interaction	<code>ssh-keygen -t rsa -f /tmp/sshkey -N "" -q</code>
fail2ban	protect SSH server from brute force attacks

1.2 advanced ssh

Name	Summary
Diff local file with remote ssh file	<code>diff local_file.txt <(ssh user@remote_host 'cat remote_</code>
Diff two remote ssh files	<code>diff <(ssh user@remote_host 'cat remote_file.txt') <(ss</code>

1.3 ssh security

Name	Summary
Disable ssh by password	<code>sed -i 's/PasswordAuthentication yes/PasswordAuth</code>
Disable root login	<code>sed -i 's/^PermitRootLogin yes/#PermitRootLogin y</code>
Enable/Disable SSH Host Key Checking	<code>StrictHostKeyChecking yes</code> change <code>~/.ssh/config</code>
Add passphrase protection to ssh keyfile	<code>ssh-keygen -p -f id_rsa</code> link: Manage SSH Key File W

1.4 scp

Name	Summary
Download remote folder	<code>scp -r -i <ssh-keyfile> ec2-user@<ssh-host>:/home/letsencrypt-2</code>

1.5 parse ssh log

Name	Command
ssh down	grep -R "ssh.*Received signal 15" /var/log/auth.log
ssh up	grep -R "sshd.*Server listening" /var/log/auth.log
ssh failed login	grep -R "sshd.*Failed password for invalid user" /var/log/auth.log
ssh break-in attempt	grep -R "sshd.*POSSIBLE BREAK-IN ATTEMPT!" /var/log/auth.log
ssh port scap	grep -R "sshd.*Bad protocol version identification" /var/log/auth.log
ssh login by public key	grep -R "sshd.*Accepted publickey for" /var/log/auth.log
ssh login by password	grep -R "sshd.*Accepted password for" /var/log/auth.log
ssh logout event	grep -R "sshd.*pam_unix(sshd:session): session closed for" /var/log/auth.log

1.6 Common Config

- Inject ssh public key

```
echo "ssh-rsa AAA...Or contact@dennyzhang.com" >> ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

- Define ssh alias

```
Host sandbox
    HostName 192.168.50.10
    StrictHostKeyChecking no
    User root

Host 192.168.1.*
    StrictHostKeyChecking no
    Port 32882
    UserKnownHostsFile=/dev/null
    IdentityFile ~/.ssh/id_rsa
```

- Turn off host key checking for all hosts

```
# In ~/.ssh/config or /etc/ssh/ssh_config
```

```
Host *
    StrictHostKeyChecking no
```

- Use expect to run ssh command with credential auto input

```
#!/usr/bin/expect
set timeout 20
set command "cat /etc/hosts"
set user "vagrant"
set password "vagrant"
set ip "192.168.50.10"
spawn ssh -o stricthostkeychecking=no $user@$ip "$command"
expect "*password:*"
send "$password\r"
expect eof;
```

- ssh reverse tunnel

```
# https://www.howtoforge.com/reverse-ssh-tunneling
```

```
autossh -M 40000 -p 2702 -i /home/denny/al -fN \  
-o "PubkeyAuthentication=yes" \  
-o "StrictHostKeyChecking=false" -o "PasswordAuthentication=no" \  
-o "ServerAliveInterval 60" -o "ServerAliveCountMax 3" \  
-R 123.57.240.189:29995:localhost:22 root@123.57.240.189
```

1.7 More Resources

License: Code is licensed under MIT License.