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**Activity 1: Configure Network using Virtual Machines** 

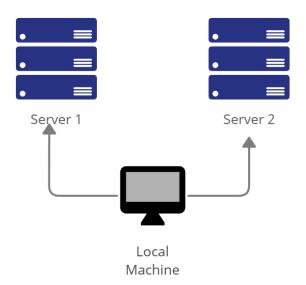
# 1. Objectives:

- 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:

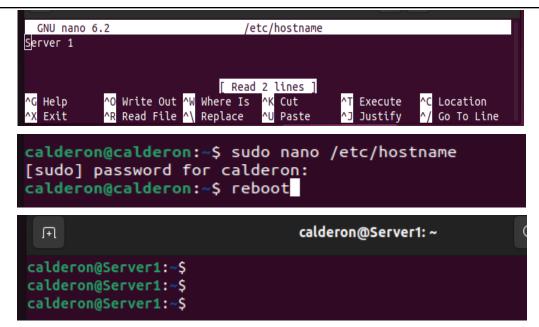
# **Network Topology:**

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).

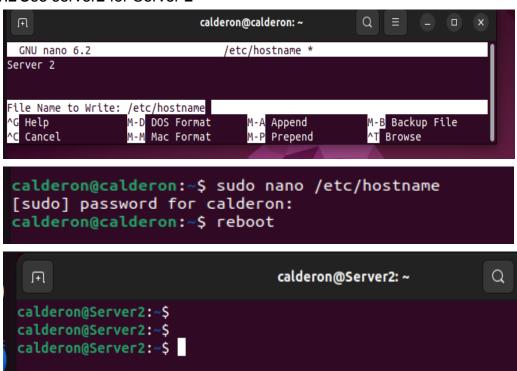


**Task 1**: Do the following on Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine. In editing the file using nano command, press control + O to write out (save the file). Press enter when asked for the name of the file. Press control + X to end.

1. Change the hostname using the command *sudo nano /etc/hostname*1.1 Use server1 for Server1



1.2 Use server2 for Server 2

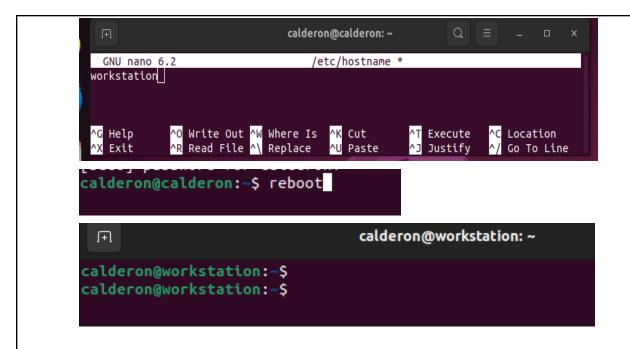


1.3 Use workstation for the Local Machine

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calderon@calderon:~

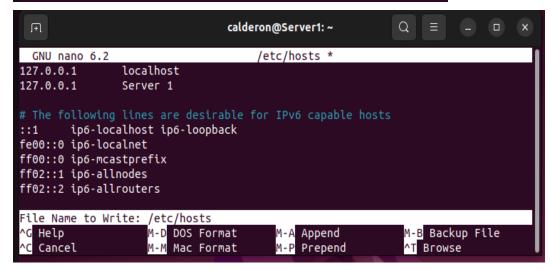
calderon@calderon:~

sudo nano /etc/hostname
```



- 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

```
calderon@Server1:~$ sudo nano /etc/hosts
[sudo] password for calderon:
calderon@Server1:~$
```



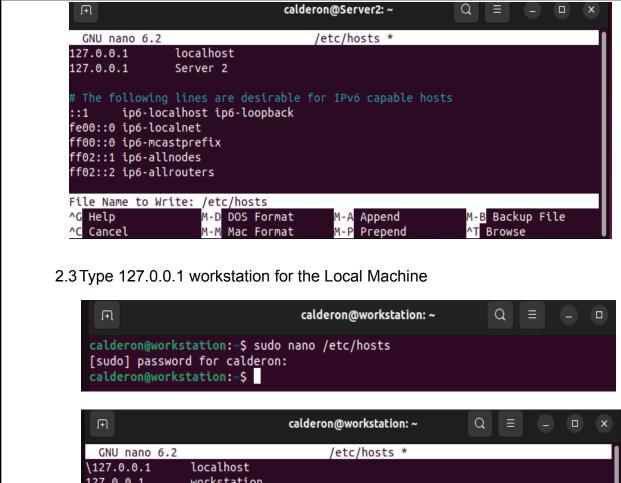
2.2 Type 127.0.0.1 server 2 for Server 2

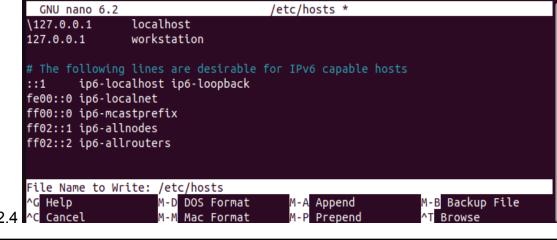
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calderon@Server2: ~

calderon@Server2: ~

calderon@Server2: ~

sudo nano /etc/hosts
[sudo] password for calderon:
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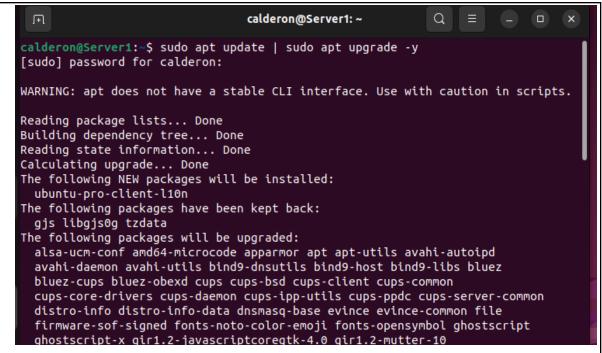


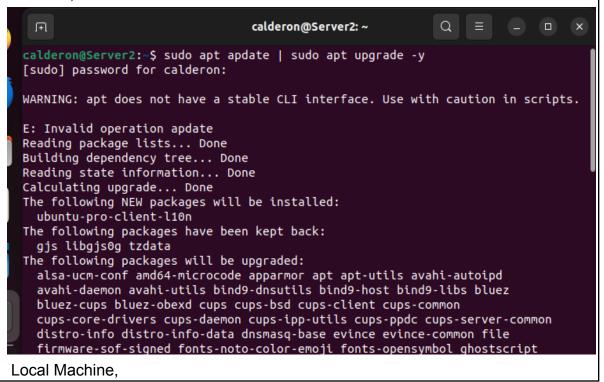


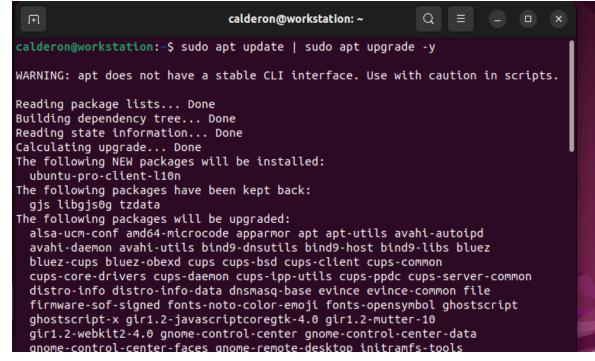
Task 2: Configure SSH on Server 1, Server 2, and Local Machine. Do the following:

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

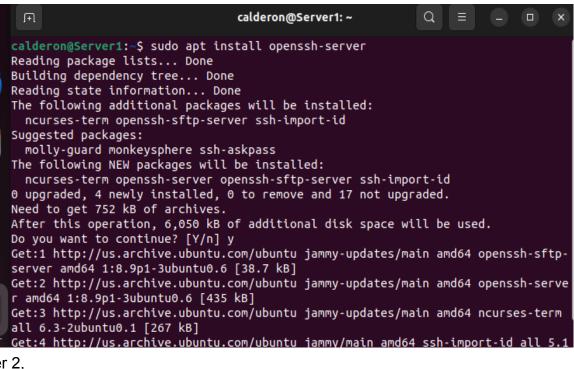
Server 1,







Install the SSH server using the command <u>sudo apt install openssh-server</u>.Server 1,



Server 2.

```
calderon@Server2: ~
                                                           a
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
  ncurses-term openssh-sftp-server ssh-import-id
Suggested packages:
  molly-guard monkeysphere ssh-askpass
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  ncurses-term openssh-server openssh-sftp-server ssh-import-id
0 upgraded, 4 newly installed, 0 to remove and 3 not upgraded.
Need to get 752 kB of archives.
After this operation, 6,050 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y
Get:1 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 openssh-sftp-
server amd64 1:8.9p1-3ubuntu0.6 [38.7 kB]
Get:2 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 openssh-serve
r amd64 1:8.9p1-3ubuntu0.6 [435 kB]
Get:3 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 ncurses-term
all 6.3-2ubuntu0.1 [267 kB]
Get:4 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy/main amd64 ssh-import-id all 5.1
1-0ubuntu1 [10.1 kB]
Fetched 752 kB in 4s (180 kB/s)
Preconfiguring packages ...
Selecting previously unselected package openssh-sftp-server.
(Reading database ... 80%
```

```
calderon@workstation: ~
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calderon@workstation:~$ sudo apt install openssh-server
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
  ncurses-term openssh-sftp-server ssh-import-id
Suggested packages:
  molly-quard monkeysphere ssh-askpass
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  ncurses-term openssh-server openssh-sftp-server ssh-import-id
0 upgraded, 4 newly installed, 0 to remove and 17 not upgraded.
Need to get 752 kB of archives.
After this operation, 6,050 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y
Get:1 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 openssh-sftp-
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1-0ubuntu1 [10.1 kB]
Fetched 752 kB in 4s (180 kB/s)
```

- 3. Verify if the SSH service has started by issuing the following commands:
  - 3.1 sudo service ssh start

Server 1,

```
calderon@Server1:~

calderon@Server1:~$ sudo service ssh start

calderon@Server1:~$
```

#### Server 2.

```
calderon@Server2:~

calderon@Server2:~$ sudo service ssh start

calderon@Server2:~$
```

Local Machine.

```
calderon@workstation: ~

calderon@workstation: ~

calderon@workstation: ~

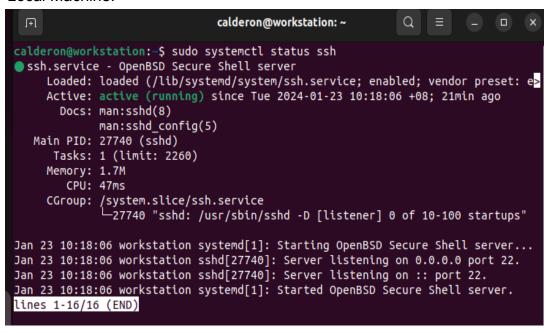
calderon@workstation: ~
```

## 3.2 sudo systemctl status ssh

Server 1,

```
calderon@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 2024-01-23 10:21:26 +08; 11min ago
       Docs: man:sshd(8)
             man:sshd config(5)
   Main PID: 27751 (sshd)
     Tasks: 1 (limit: 2260)
     Memory: 1.7M
        CPU: 60ms
     CGroup: /system.slice/ssh.service
              __27751 "sshd: /usr/sbin/sshd -D [listener] 0 of 10-100 startups"
Jan 23 10:21:26 Server1 systemd[1]: Starting OpenBSD Secure Shell server...
Jan 23 10:21:26 Server1 sshd[27751]: Server listening on 0.0.0.0 port 22.
Jan 23 10:21:26 Server1 sshd[27751]: Server listening on :: port 22.
Jan 23 10:21:26 Server1 systemd[1]: Started OpenBSD Secure Shell server.
lines 1-16/16 (END)
```

```
calderon@Server2:~$ 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 2024-01-23 10:23:29 +08; 17min ago
      Docs: man:sshd(8)
             man:sshd config(5)
  Main PID: 27162 (sshd)
      Tasks: 1 (limit: 2260)
    Memory: 1.7M
       CPU: 40ms
    CGroup: /system.slice/ssh.service
              -27162 "sshd: /usr/sbin/sshd -D [listener] 0 of 10-100 startups"
Jan 23 10:23:29 Server2 systemd[1]: Starting OpenBSD Secure Shell server...
Jan 23 10:23:29 Server2 sshd[27162]: Server listening on 0.0.0.0 port 22.
Jan 23 10:23:29 Server2 sshd[27162]: Server listening on :: port 22.
Jan 23 10:23:29 Server2 systemd[1]: Started OpenBSD Secure Shell server.
lines 1-16/16 (END)
```



- 4. Configure the firewall to all port 22 by issuing the following commands:
  - 4.1 sudo ufw allow ssh

Server 1,

```
calderon@Server1:~$ sudo ufw allow ssh
Rules updated
Rules updated (v6)
calderon@Server1:~$
```

```
calderon@Server2:~$ sudo ufw allow ssh
Rules updated
Rules updated (v6)
```

```
calderon@workstation:~$ sudo ufw allow ssh
Rules updated
Rules updated (v6)
calderon@workstation:~$
```

# 4.2 sudo ufw enable

Server 1,

```
calderon@Server1:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
```

Server 2.

```
calderon@Server2:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
```

Local Machine.

```
calderon@workstation:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
```

## 4.3 sudo ufw status

Server 1.

**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 Server 1 IP address: 192.168.56.102

1.2 Server 2 IP address: 192.168.56.<u>103</u>

```
calderon@Server1:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 192.168.56.102 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255
       inet6 fe80::836e:6b60:5054:8e72 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
       ether 08:00:27:61:f7:23 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 176 bytes 15888 (15.8 KB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
       inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
       inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
       loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
       RX packets 411 bytes 34954 (34.9 KB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 411 bytes 34954 (34.9 KB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

```
calderon@Server2:~$ ifconfig
   enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
inet 192.168.56.103 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255
           inet6 fe80::836e:6b60:5054:8e72 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
           ether 08:00:27:61:f7:23 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
           RX packets 2 bytes 120 (120.0 B)
           RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
           TX packets 107 bytes 10266 (10.2 KB)
           TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
   lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
           inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
           inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
           loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
           RX packets 358 bytes 29996 (29.9 KB)
           RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
           TX packets 358 bytes 29996 (29.9 KB)
           TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
1.3 Server 3 IP address: 192.168.56.101
    calderon@workstation:~$ ifconfig
   enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
inet 192.168.56.101 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.56.255
            inet6 fe80::836e:6b60:5054:8e72 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
            ether 08:00:27:61:f7:23 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
            RX packets 6 bytes 360 (360.0 B)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 133 bytes 11997 (11.9 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
   lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
            inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
            inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
            loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
            RX packets 318 bytes 26988 (26.9 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 318 bytes 26988 (26.9 KB)
```

- 2. Make sure that they can ping each other.
  - 2.1 Connectivity test for Local Machine 1 to Server 1: ☐ Successful ☐ Not Successful

TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

```
calderon@Server1:~$ ping 192.168.56.102
PING 192.168.56.102 (192.168.56.102) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.038 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.109 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.083 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.082 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.083 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.084 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=7 ttl=64 time=0.083 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=8 ttl=64 time=0.083 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=9 ttl=64 time=0.087 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp_seq=10 ttl=64 time=0.081 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp_seq=11 ttl=64 time=0.081 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=12 ttl=64 time=0.036 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=13 ttl=64 time=0.083 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp_seq=14 ttl=64 time=0.047 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.102: icmp seq=15 ttl=64 time=0.032 ms
2.2 Connectivity test for Local Machine 1 to Server 2: ☐ Successful ☐ Not
   Successful
 calderon@Server2:~$ ping 192.168.56.103
 PING 192.168.56.103 (192.168.56.103) 56(84) bytes of data.
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.088 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.106 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.082 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.047 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.066 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.031 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=7 ttl=64 time=0.053 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=8 ttl=64 time=0.080 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=9 ttl=64 time=0.046 ms
 64 bytes from 192.168.56.103: icmp seq=10 ttl=64 time=0.044 ms
2.3 Connectivity test for Server 1 to Server 2: □ Successful □ Not
   Successful
```

```
calderon@workstation:~$ ping 192.168.56.101
PING 192.168.56.101 (192.168.56.101) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.418 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.058 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.052 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.040 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.056 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.451 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=7 ttl=64 time=0.132 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=8 ttl=64 time=0.058 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=9 ttl=64 time=0.074 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=10 ttl=64 time=0.039 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=11 ttl=64 time=0.055 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=12 ttl=64 time=0.058 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=13 ttl=64 time=0.071 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp seq=14 ttl=64 time=0.058 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp_seq=15 ttl=64 time=0.058 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp_seq=16 ttl=64 time=0.062 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp_seq=17 ttl=64 time=0.074 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp_seq=18 ttl=64 time=0.056 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp_seq=19 ttl=64 time=0.750 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.56.101: icmp_seq=20 ttl=64 time=0.042 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 jvtaylar@192.168.56.120
- 1.2 Enter the password for server 1 when prompted

```
The authenticity of host '192.168.56.102 (192.168.56.102)' can't be established. ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:ESTZjx3wXkLwsyEReJv/M11gEtV55j3I5RkuffGpgP8. This key is not known by any other names
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes Warning: Permanently added '192.168.56.102' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts calderon@192.168.56.102's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.5.0-14-generic x86_64)

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

Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.

6 updates can be applied immediately.
2 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

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

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.
```

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

```
calderon@Server1:~$
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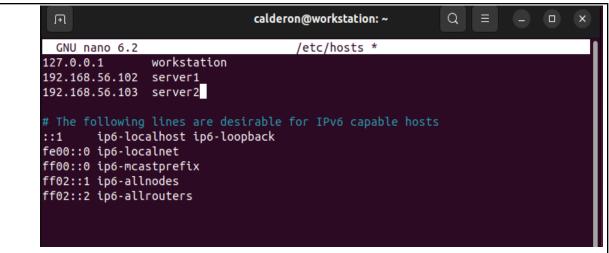
2. Logout of Server 1 by issuing the command *control* + *D*.

```
calderon@Server1:~$
logout
Connection to 192.168.56.102 closed.
calderon@Server1:~$
```

3. Do the same for Server 2.

```
calderon@Server2:~$ ssh calderon@192.168.56.103
calderon@192.168.56.103's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.5.0-14-generic x86 64)
* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
                  https://landscape.canonical.com
* Management:
* Support:
                  https://ubuntu.com/advantage
Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.
0 updates can be applied immediately.
Enable ESM Apps to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status
Failed to connect to https://changelogs.ubuntu.com/meta-release-lts. Check your
Internet connection or proxy settings
Last login: Tue Jan 23 13:52:10 2024 from 192.168.56.103
calderon@Server2:~$
```

- 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.

```
Save modified buffer?
Y Yes
N No ^C Cancel
```

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 jvtaylar@server1*. Enter the password when prompted. Verify that you have entered Server 1.

```
calderon@Server1:~$ ssh calderon@server1
calderon@server1's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.5.0-14-generic x86 64)
 * Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:
                  https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:
                  https://ubuntu.com/advantage
Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.
6 updates can be applied immediately.
2 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable
Enable ESM Apps to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status
Failed to connect to https://changelogs.ubuntu.com/meta-release-lts. Check your
Internet connection or proxy settings
Last login: Tue Jan 23 14:10:19 2024 from 192.168.56.102
calderon@Server1:~$
```

Do the same for Server 2.

#### Reflections:

Answer the following:

- 1. How are we able to use the hostname instead of IP address in SSH commands? We can use the hostname instead of IP address in SSH commands by editing the /etc/hosts` file to map the hostname to its IP address. This is a local file that provides a way of resolving hostnames to IP addresses without using DNS.
- 2. How secure is SSH?

SSH is widely used and considered secure due to its strong security features and resistance to attacks. However, it can still be vulnerable to certain types of attacks and best practices should be followed to maintain its security.

# Conclusion

SSH is so important, because it is a secure protocol for remote access that provides strong security features such as encryption and authentication. It is widely used and resistant to various types of attacks. However, to maintain its security, best practices such as using strong passwords, disabling unused authentication methods, using firewall rules to restrict access, and keeping the SSH server software up-to-date with security patches should be followed.