


1. create another ec2 instance, create user with password in both servers
2. ensure password authentication is enabled in both servers (enable in the `/etc/ssh/sshd_config` file)

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root@ip-172-31-38-72:~  
#MaxAuthTries 6  
#MaxSessions 10  
  
#PubkeyAuthentication yes  
  
# The default is to check both .ssh/authorized_keys and .ssh/authorized_keys2  
# but this is overridden so installations will only check .ssh/authorized_keys  
AuthorizedKeysFile .ssh/authorized_keys  
  
#AuthorizedPrincipalsFile none  
  
  
# For this to work you will also need host keys in /etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts  
#HostbasedAuthentication no  
# Change to yes if you don't trust ~/.ssh/known_hosts for  
# HostbasedAuthentication  
#IgnoreUserKnownHosts no  
# Don't read the user's ~/.rhosts and ~/.shosts files  
#IgnoreRhosts yes  
  
# Explicitly disable PasswordAuthentication. By presetting it, we  
# avoid the cloud-init set_passwords module modifying sshd_config and  
# restoring it in the default instance launch configuration.  
PasswordAuthentication no  
PermitEmptyPasswords no  
  
# Change to no to disable s/key passwords  
#KbdInteractiveAuthentication yes  
  
  
# Kerberos options  
#KerberosAuthentication no  
#KerberosOrLocalPasswd yes  
#KerberosTicketCleanup yes  
#KerberosetAsToken no  
-- INSERT --
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A new release of "Amazon Linux" is available.  
Version 2023.10.20260216:  
Run "/usr/bin/dnf check-release-update" for full release and version update info
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Amazon Linux 2023

<https://aws.amazon.com/linux/amazon-linux-2023>

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Last login: Thu Feb 19 00:26:23 2026 from 27.4.77.109  
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-43-22 ~]$ ls  
censusdata.txt  dirl  numbersfile.txt  sample.txt  
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-43-22 ~]$ cat /etc/passwd | tail -1  
devopsadmin:x:1004:1004::/home/devopsadmin:/bin/bash  
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-43-22 ~]$ sudo useradd dev_admin  
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-43-22 ~]$ passwd dev_admin  
passwd: Only root can specify a user name.  
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-43-22 ~]$ sudo passwd dev_admin  
Changing password for user dev_admin.  
New password:  
Retype new password:  
passwd: all authentication tokens updated successfully.
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# ec2-user@ip-172-31-43-22: ~
# The default is to check both .ssh/authorized_keys and .ssh/authorized_keys2
# but this is overridden so installations will only check .ssh/authorized_keys
AuthorizedKeysFile .ssh/authorized_keys

#AuthorizedPrincipalsFile none

# For this to work you will also need host keys in /etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts
HostbasedAuthentication no
# Change to yes if you don't trust ~/.ssh/known_hosts for
# HostbasedAuthentication
IgnoreUserKnownHosts no
# Don't read the user's ~/.rhosts and ~/.shosts files
IgnoreRhosts yes

# Explicitly disable PasswordAuthentication. By presetting it, we
# avoid the cloud-init set_passwords module modifying sshd.config and
# restarting sshd in the default instance launch configuration.
PasswordAuthentication yes
PermitEmptyPasswords no

# Change to no to disable s/key passwords
KbdInteractiveAuthentication yes

# Kerberos options
KerberosAuthentication no
KerberosOrLocalPasswd yes
KerberosTicketCleanup yes
KerberosUseCafsToken no
KerberosUseKerberos yes

# GSSAPI options
GSSAPIAuthentication no
GSSAPICleanupCredentials yes
GSSAPIServerAcceptCheck yes
GSSAPIKeyExchange no
GSSAPIEnableUsers no

"/etc/ssh/sshd_config" 131 3855R
65.1 47%
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*Below is scp command example*

[illegible]A screenshot of a terminal window titled "user1\_sr2@ip-172-31-38-72:~". The prompt is "\$". The user enters "ssh user1\_sr2@13.201.53.193" and presses Enter. The terminal shows the output: "user1\_sr2@13.201.53.193's password:" followed by a series of tilde (~) characters representing a progress bar. Then, it displays "Amazon Linux 2023" and the URL "https://aws.amazon.com/linux/amazon-linu". At the bottom, the prompt changes to "[user1\_sr2@ip-172-31-38-72 ~]\$".

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user1_sr2@ip-172-31-38-72:~
$ ssh user1_sr2@13.201.53.193
user1_sr2@13.201.53.193's password:
##### Amazon Linux 2023
##### https://aws.amazon.com/linux/amazon-linu
#####
[user1_sr2@ip-172-31-38-72 ~]$
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dev_admin@server-one:~$ #scp syntax and example
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$ scp numbersfile.txt user1_sr2@13.201.53.193:/home/user1_sr2
The authenticity of host '13.201.53.193 (13.201.53.193)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:FHhVLkqMyREasAEndstq7UvikPJmYUwxTtbE9sAQSiU.
This key is not known by any other names
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '13.201.53.193' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
user1_sr2@13.201.53.193's password:
numbersfile.txt                                100% 2292    5.0MB/s   00:00
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$ ls
dir1 dir2 numbersfile.txt
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$ scp -r dir1 user1_sr2@13.201.53.193:/home/user1_sr2
user1_sr2@13.201.53.193's password:
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$ ls -lrt
total 4
-rw-r--r--. 1 dev_admin dev_admin 2292 Feb 19 14:11 numbersfile.txt
drwxr-xr-x. 2 dev_admin dev_admin  6 Feb 19 14:12 dir2
drwxr-xr-x. 2 dev_admin dev_admin  6 Feb 19 14:12 dir1
-rw-r--r--. 1 dev_admin dev_admin  0 Feb 19 14:24 newfile1
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$

user1_sr2@ip-172-31-38-72:~$ ls -lrt
total 4
-rw-r--r--. 1 user1_sr2 user1_sr2 2292 Feb 19 14:16 numbersfile.txt
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$ touch newfile1
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$ scp newfile1 dev_admin@13.126.77.240:/home/dev_admin
The authenticity of host '13.126.77.240 (13.126.77.240)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:1YWKU8UnRoHXfbb6+oQpIiMGtTFkw7Cp5bVymTxcthc.
This key is not known by any other names
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '13.126.77.240' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
dev_admin@13.126.77.240's password:
newfile1                                100% 0    0.0KB/s   00:00
[dev_admin@server-one ~]$
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