

# Practice: Using **systemctl** to Manage Services

## Guided exercise

In this lab, you will manage a service unit that is already installed on the system.

### Outcomes:

The **chronyd** service is disabled and no longer running on the system.

### *Before you begin...*

Reset your serverX system.

- 1. Observe the results of **systemctl restart** and **systemctl reload** commands.

- 1.1. Display the status of the **sshd** service. Note the process ID of the daemon.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status sshd
```

- 1.2. Restart the **sshd** service and view the status. The process ID of the daemon has changed.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl restart sshd  
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status sshd
```

- 1.3. Reload the **sshd** service and view the status. The process ID of the daemon has not changed and connections have not been interrupted.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl reload sshd  
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status sshd
```

- 2. Verify that the **chronyd** service is running.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status chronyd
```

- 3. Stop the **chronyd** service and view the status.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl stop chronyd  
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status chronyd
```

- 4. Determine if the **chronyd** service is enabled to start at system boot.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl is-enabled chronyd
```

- 5. Reboot the system, then view the status of the **chronyd** service.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status chronyd
```

- ❑ 6. Disable the **chronyd** service so that it does not start at system boot, then view the status of the service.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl disable chronyd  
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status chronyd
```

- ❑ 7. Reboot the system, then view the status of the **chronyd** service.

```
[student@serverX ~]$ sudo systemctl status chronyd
```