## SSH Client side configuration SSH using hostnames instead of IP address

{Example from Linux Administration Cookbook}

Edit /etc/hosts on local system to resolve your remote system's name to its IP address \$ echo "192.168.33.11 centos2" | sudo tee -a /etc/hosts

Now your /etc/hosts file includes the resolved name

And you're able to ssh using its hostname instead of your remote's IP address \$ ssh centos2

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[vagrant@centos1 ~]$ ssh centos2
The authenticity of host 'centos2 (192.168.33.11)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:Dsk0YbK2AADHW7zhGkS6AkhuEuF5kovOxsgcZVQFQfk.
ECDSA key fingerprint is MD5:2e:78:33:c1:09:67:5c:73:2c:cc:0a:cb:66:d3:a6:2d.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'centos2' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
Last login: Wed Mar 25 22:42:47 2020 from 192.168.33.10
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## **Tips & Tricks**

To end an ssh session if and when it hangs \$ ~.

## Read ssh config file while ssh'ing to include your typical arguments

- Config file is /etc/ssh/ssh config

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Create a file for your client

$ touch ~/.ssh/config

$ chmod 600 ~/.ssh/config

Edit ~/.ssh/config:

# every entry except CentOS2-V6 will use port 22 and ed25519 key

Host * !CentOS2-V6

IdentityFile ~/.ssh/id_ed25519

Port 22
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Host CentOS2-V4

Hostname 192.168.33.11

User vagrant

Host CentOS2-V6

Hostname fe80::a00:27ff:fe5c:7f1b%%eth1

IdentityFile ~/.ssh/id\_rsa

Port 22

User vagrant

Host CentOS2-Hostname

Hostname centos2

User vagrant