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Activity 3: Install SSH server on CentOS or RHEL 8	

1. Objectives:

- 1.1 Install Community Enterprise OS or Red Hat Linux OS
- 1.2 Configure remote SSH connection from remote computer to CentOS/RHEL-8

2. Discussion:

CentOS vs. Debian: Overview

CentOS and Debian are Linux distributions that spawn from opposite ends of the candle.

CentOS is a free downstream rebuild of the commercial Red Hat Enterprise Linux distribution where, in contrast, Debian is the free upstream distribution that is the base for other distributions, including the Ubuntu Linux distribution.

As with many Linux distributions, CentOS and Debian are generally more alike than different; it isn't until we dig a little deeper that we find where they branch.

CentOS vs. Debian: Architecture

The available supported architectures can be the determining factor as to whether a distro is a viable option or not. Debian and CentOS are both very popular for x86_64/AMD64, but what other archs are supported by each?

Both Debian and CentOS support AArch64/ARM64, armhf/armhfp , i386 , ppc64el/ppc64le. (Note: armhf/armhfp and i386 are supported in CentOS 7 only.)

CentOS 7 additionally supports POWER9 while Debian and CentOS 8 do not. CentOS 7 focuses on the x86_64/AMD64 architecture with the other archs released through the AltArch SIG (Alternate Architecture Special Interest Group) with CentOS 8 supporting x86_64/AMD64, AArch64 and ppc64le equally.

Debian supports MIPSel, MIPS64el and s390x while CentOS does not. Much like CentOS 8, Debian does not favor one arch over another —all supported architectures are supported equally.

CentOS vs. Debian: Package Management

Most Linux distributions have some form of package manager nowadays, with some more complex and feature-rich than others.

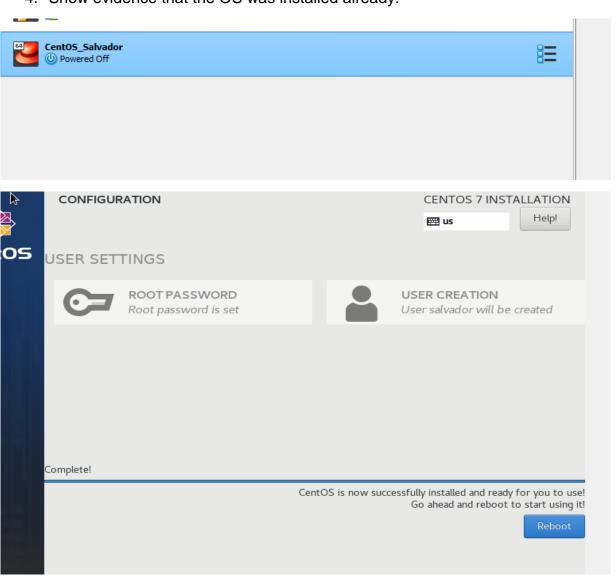
CentOS uses the RPM package format and YUM/DNF as the package manager.

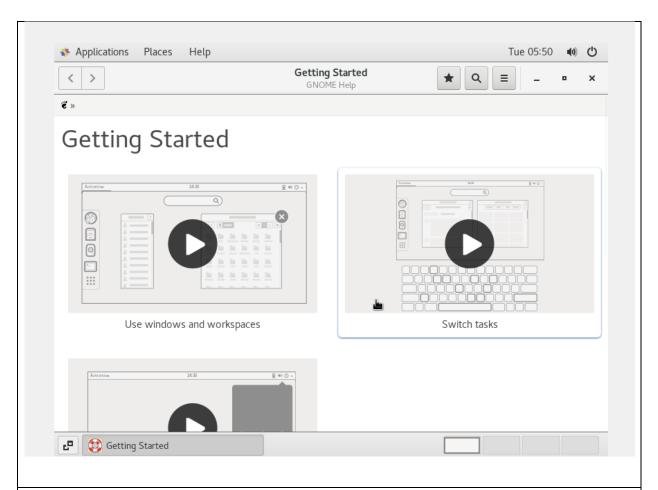
Debian uses the DEB package format and dpkg/APT as the package manager.

Both offer full-feature package management with network-based repository support, dependency checking and resolution, etc.. If you're familiar with one but not the other, you may have a little trouble switching over, but they're not overwhelmingly different. They both have similar features, just available through a different interface.

Task 1: Download the CentOS or RHEL-8 image (Create screenshots of the following)

- 1. Download the image of the CentOS here: http://mirror.rise.ph/centos/7.9.2009/isos/x86 64/
- 2. Create a VM machine with 2 Gb RAM and 20 Gb HD.
- 3. Install the downloaded image.
- 4. Show evidence that the OS was installed already.





Task 2: Install the SSH server package openssh

Install the ssh server package openssh by using the dnf command:
 \$ dnf install openssh-server

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. pychone cibani 0.22.5 2.001_5.800_04
Installed:
 dnf.noarch 0:4.0.9.2-2.el7 9
Dependency Installed:
 dnf-data.noarch 0:4.0.9.2-2.el7_9
                                             libcomps.x86 64 0:0.1.8-14.el7
  libdnf.x86_64 0:0.22.5-2.el7_9
                                             libmodulemd.x86 64 0:1.6.3-1.el7
 librepo.x86_64 0:1.8.1-8.el7_9
                                            libsolv.x86 64 0:0.6.34-4.el7
 python-enum34.noarch 0:1.0.4-1.el7
                                             python2-dnf.noarch 0:4.0.9.2-2.el7 9
 python2-hawkey.x86_64 0:0.22.5-2.el7_9
                                             python2-libcomps.x86 64 0:0.1.8-14.el7
 python2-libdnf.x86_64 0:0.22.5-2.el7_9
Complete!
[root@localhost ~]#]
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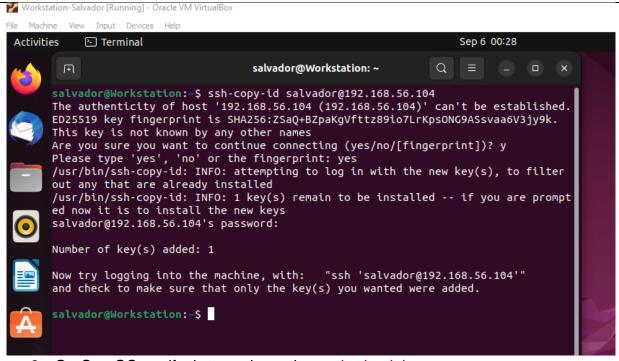
2. Start the *sshd* daemon and set to start after reboot:

\$ systemctl start sshd

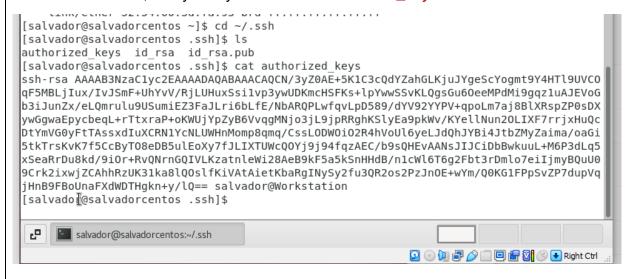
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$ systemctl enable sshd
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  [salvador@localhost ~]$ systemctl start sshd
  [salvador@localhost ~]$ systemctl enable sshd
  [salvador@localhost ~]$
  3. Confirm that the sshd daemon is up and running:
     $ systemctl status sshd
[salvador@localhost ~]$ systemctl status sshd
sshd.service - OpenSSH server daemon
  Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/sshd.service; enabled; vendor preset: enable
d)
  Active: active (running) since Tue 2023-09-05 10:35:15 EDT; 22min ago
    Docs: man:sshd(8)
          man:sshd config(5)
Main PID: 1148 (sshd)
   Tasks: 1
  CGroup: /system.slice/sshd.service
          └─1148 /usr/sbin/sshd -D
Sep 05 10:35:14 localhost.localdomain systemd[1]: Starting OpenSSH server daemon...
Sep 05 10:35:15 localhost.localdomain sshd[1148]: Server listening on 0.0.0.0 port 22.
Sep 05 10:35:15 localhost.localdomain sshd[1148]: Server listening on :: port 22.
Sep 05 10:35:15 localhost.localdomain systemd[1]: Started OpenSSH server daemon.
Hint: Some lines were ellipsized, use -l to show in full.
[salvador@localhost ~]$
  4. Open the SSH port 22 to allow incoming traffic:
     $ firewall-cmd --zone=public -permanent --add-service=ssh
[salvador@localhost ~] firewall-cmd --zone=public --permanent --add-service=ssh
Warning: ALREADY_ENABLED: ssh
success
[salvador@localhost ~]$
     $ firewall-cmd -reload
 [salvador@localhost ~]$ firewall-cmd --reload
 success
 [salvador@localhost ~]$
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5. Locate the ssh server man config file /etc/ssh/sshd_config and perform custom configuration. Every time you make any change to the /etc/ssh/sshd-config configuration file reload the sshd service to apply changes:

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salvador@localhost:~
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File Edit View Search Terminal Help
 GNU nano 2.3.1
                              File: /etc/ssh/sshd_config
        $OpenBSD: sshd config,v 1.100 2016/08/15 12:32:04 naddy Exp $
# This is the sshd server system-wide configuration file. See
# sshd config(5) for more information.
# This sshd was compiled with PATH=/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin
# The strategy used for options in the default sshd config shipped with
# OpenSSH is to specify options with their default value where
# possible, but leave them commented. Uncommented options override the
# default value.
# If you want to change the port on a SELinux system, you have to tell
# SELinux about this change.
# semanage port -a -t ssh port t -p tcp #PORTNUMBER
#Port 22
#AddressFamily any
#ListenAddress 0.0.0.0
#ListenAddress ::
                                    [ Read 139 lines ]
^G Get Help
^X Exit
                                            ^Y Prev Page
^V Next Page
                                                           ^K Cut Text
               ^O WriteOut
                              R Read File
               ^J Justify
                              ^W Where Is
                                                           ^U UnCut Text ^T To Spell
       $ systemctl reload sshd
[salvador@localhost ~]$ systemctl reload sshd
Task 3: Copy the Public Key to CentOS
   1. Make sure that ssh is installed on the local machine.
  salvador@Workstation:~$ ssh
  usage: ssh [-46AaCfGgKkMNnqsTtVvXxYy] [-B bind_interface]
                [-b bind_address] [-c cipher_spec] [-D [bind_address:]port]
               [-E log_file] [-e escape_char] [-F configfile] [-I pkcs11]
[-i identity_file] [-J [user@]host[:port]] [-L address]
               [-l login_name] [-m mac_spec] [-O ctl_cmd] [-o option] [-p port] [-Q query_option] [-R address] [-S ctl_path] [-W host:port]
               [-w local_tun[:remote_tun]] destination [command [argument ...]]
  salvador@Workstation:~$
   Using the command ssh-copy-id, connect your local machine to CentOS.
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3. On CentOS, verify that you have the authorized_keys.



Task 4: Verify ssh remote connection

1. Using your local machine, connect to CentOS using ssh.

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salvador@Workstation:~$ ssh 'salvador@192.168.56.104'
Last login: Tue Sep 5 12:19:04 2023
[salvador@salvadorcentos ~]$
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2. Show evidence that you are connected.

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salvador@Workstation:~$ ssh 'salvador@192.168.56.104'
Last login: Tue Sep 5 12:19:04 2023
[salvador@salvadorcentos ~]$ cd ~/.ssh
[salvador@salvadorcentos .ssh]$ ls
authorized_keys id_rsa id_rsa.pub
[salvador@salvadorcentos .ssh]$
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Reflections:

Answer the following:

1. What do you think we should look for in choosing the best distribution between Debian and Red Hat Linux distributions?

For you to choose the best distribution that you will use, always ask the purpose of using that distribution. Think of what will you be doing or making using that distribution, If you will use it for an upstream choose Debian, if for downstream choose RedHat.

What are the main diffence between Debian and Red Hat Linux distributions?

Major difference of the two distribution is their interface and how they are used. Debian is for upstream and RedHat is for downstream.