# P6.1 SSH instructions

# **Part 1: Configuration modifications**

To copy the nanorc file in to home directory I use command cp to copy it and place it in my home directory as a hidden file. The exact command was { cp /etc/nanorc /home/ron/.nanorc }. To check if the file has been copied command { Is -a }.

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:-$ cp /etc/nanorc /home/ron/.nanorc
ron@ron-VirtualBox:-$ ls

copy_test Downloads kansio Music Public Templates
Desktop fbar.c Linux_course my_test snap Videos

Documents foo.c linux_pop Pictures sudo_test
ron@ron-VirtualBox:-$ ls -a
. copy_test kansio .nanorc sudo_test
.. Desktop .lesshst Pictures
.bash_history Documents Linux_course .profile Videos
.bash_logout Downloads linux_pop Public
.bashrc fbar.c .local snap
.cache foo.c Music .ssh
.config .gnupg my_test .sudo_as_admin_successful
ron@ron-VirtualBox:-$
```

To open and examine our new nanorc file command nano .nanorc opens the new file. Where we can see many comments with ether one or two hashtags. Now the difference between these comment ways do not differ other than it makes it more readable. One hashtag is good for commenting the function itself and two hashtags for the description of said function. For good habits its recommended to add the date and modifier of set feature so it can be changed later with confidence and ease.

```
GNU nano 6.2
                                        .nanorc *
71 #
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73 ## Scroll the buffer contents per half-screen instead of per line.
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  #set jumpyscrolling
set jumpyscrolling
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78 ## Display line numbers to the left (and any anchors in the margin).
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   set linenumbers
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  ## Enable vim-style lock-files. This is just to let a vim user know you
   ## are editing a file [s]he is trying to edit and vice versa. There are
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   ## no plans to implement vim-style undo state in these files.
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   set locking
```

### Part 2: SSH-server

**Question A:** To enable SSH service we first update our machine by using command { sudo apt update } and then istall the SSH server program by command { sudo apt install openssh-server }. After the download you can verify that the SSH is working by giving command { sudo systemctl status ssh } and it should look like this.

To open the SSH port from being blocked by firewall use command { sudo ufw allow ssh }. Now we are set to connect to the virtualmachine. First we find out our machines we have to know the ip address of the virtual machine. Command { ifconfig } does the trick.

```
ng adding existing rule (v6)
n-VirtualBox:~$ ifconfig
: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
inet 192.168.73.156 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.73.255
inet6 fe80::fb49:3aea:d595:692a prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
```

Now we connect by going on our host machine to putty by writing on hostname ron@ipaddress and with successful connection putty should look like the image below.

```
Using username "ron".
ron@192.168.73.156's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.1 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.15.0-52-generic x86_64)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com

* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com

* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

21 updates can be applied immediately.
2 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

Last login: Thu Oct 27 01:31:29 2022 from 192.168.73.185
```

**Question B:** The configuration file of shh can be found in /etc/ssh/sshd\_config. To showcase our skills we will create a banner. First we want to copy the configuration file so if something were to go south we can restart and pretend it never happened. To copy config file to home directory command { cp /etc/ssh/sshd\_config /etc/ssh/sshd\_config.backup }

Then modify the /etc/ssh/sshd\_config file and enable banner and give it a path. I decided to copy an ascii art fom the web. Then restart the server so our modifications can be set with command { sudo service ssh restart }. Then we connect to our local ssh to see the result and our beautiful cat has appeared.

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ cp /etc/ssh/sshd_config ~/sshd_config.backup
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ ls
            fbar.c
Documents foo.c linux_pop Pictures sshd_coron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo nano /etc/ssh/banner
                                                    sshd config.backup Videos
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo service ssh restart
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ ssh ron@localhost
The authenticity of host 'localhost (127.0.0.1)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:l+/IIUzBPIrfR7+ndmZ/9lKliOGGsXuKv8vaktMWpjM.
This key is not known by any other names
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'localhost' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
         0
    O
     >#<
ron@localhost's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.1 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.15.0-52-generic x86_64)
```

# Allow one user to login remotely

Well the title says it all, we start by creating a new user that will have the rights to access our ssh server remotely. Command { sudo adduser ssh-user } will create our new user.

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo adduser ssh-user
[sudo] password for ron:
Adding user `ssh-user' ...
Adding new group `ssh-user' (1004) ...
Adding new user `ssh-user' (1003) with group `ssh-user' ...
Creating home directory `/home/ssh-user'
Copying files from `/etc/skel' ...
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for ssh-user
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
         Full Name []:
        Room Number []:
        Work Phone []:
        Home Phone []:
        Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n] y
```

Next we are going to configure the file so our new user can have rights to access the ssh server. We give the following command { sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd config }

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo nano /etc/ssn/ssnd_config
[sudo] password for ron:
```

At the bottom of the file we add a few lines.

```
#ron 27.10.2022 allow ssh-user to login remotely
PasswordAuthentication yes
AllowUsers ssh-user
```

And the we restart so the changes can be applied

```
ron@ron-virtualBox:~$ sudo nano /etc/ssn/ssnd_config
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo systemctl restart sshd
[sudo] password for ron:
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$
```

To test that it works I tried to log in as test1 to my ssh server

Success user test1 is not allowed to the server. Let's try if ssh-user is working correctly?

```
End of panner message from serve
   ssh-user@192.168.1.28's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.1 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.15.0-52-generic x86 64)
  * Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
  * Management:
                   https://landscape.canonical.com
  * Support:
                    https://ubuntu.com/advantage
8,28 updates can be applied immediately.
 To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable
*** System restart required ***
 The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
 the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
 individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.
 Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
 applicable law.
 ssh-user@ron-VirtualBox:~$
```

## Move server to a different port number

The default portnumber for ssh servers is 22 to make it more secure we want to move that port number to 40400. Command { sudo nano /etc/ssh/ssh\_config } we can modify the file as in the picture below. Then restart

```
#Port 22
#ron 29.10.2022 chande port to 40400
Port 40400
```

We can test if it works by trying to login with the default port 22(left) and the new port 40400(right) to connect to this new port with linux we must give the parameter -p so to take connection it should be written { ssh ron@ipaddress -p 40400 }

```
Using username "ron".
Pre-authentication banner message from server:

| /\ /\
| ) (')
| ( / )

ron \(_)|
End of banner message from server

ron@192.168.1.30's password:
Access denied
```

## **X11 Forwarding**

Now we will configure x11 forwarding on startup. Form our sshd\_config file we enable x11forwarding.

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox: /
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                                 /etc/ssh/sshd_config *
 GNU nano 6.2
# PasswordAuthentication. Depending on your PAM configuration,
# PAM authentication via KbdInteractiveAuthentication may bypass
# the setting of "PermitRootLogin without-password".
# and KbdInteractiveAuthentication to 'no'.
UsePAM yes
#AllowAgentForwarding yes
#AllowTcpForwarding yes
#GatewayPorts no
X11Forwarding yes
#X11DisplayOffset 10
#X11UseLocalhost
```

We also enable it from client computers ssh config file.

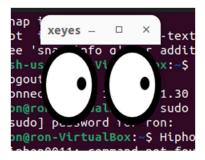
```
GNU nano 6.2 /etc/ssh/ssh_config

# ForwardAgent no
#ron 30.10.2022 enable fowardx and trusted
ForwardX11 yes
ForwardX11Trusted yes

# PasswordAuthentication yes
# HostbasedAuthentication no
```

After this not much has changed but we need to add a new parameter -X to our command. So the following terminal should go like this.

When I wrote xeyes a pair of eyes that followed the mouse appeared so that tells us connection is working. Could not get firefox running.



## **Password less login**

For a password less login we need to generate a public key to the server. To generate one we give command ssh-keygen.

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:/$ ssh-keygen

Generating public/private rsa key pair.

Enter file in which to save the key (/home/ron/.ssh/id_rsa):

Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):

Enter same passphrase again:

Your identification has been saved in /home/ron/.ssh/id_rsa

Your public key has been saved in /home/ron/.ssh/id_rsa.pub

The key fingerprint is:

SHA256:dvNH+HPUT5s7tB00we4TR8NvGPagQlhUfbTqGn2d7bE ron@ron-VirtualBox

The key's randomart image is:
```

After generating the key it must be copied to the servers authorized keys with command { ssh-copy-id -f -p 40400 ssh-user@192.168.1.30 }

Log on successful

**Question D:** password less login means that the server has a public key that allows the user to log to the server without asking for the password because the key has already been authorized.

# Ssh config file

For an even faster log to our ssh server we create a configuration file in our .ssh file. Command { touch ~/.ssh/config} will create the file and nano to the same path we can apply the following configurations.

```
GNU nano 6.2 /home/ron/.ssh/config *

Host mymachine
HostName 192.168.1.30
User ssh-user
Port 40400
```

To make it work we type ssh and mymachine and it logs on automatically

#### Ssh tunnel

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ ssh e2101495@shell.puv.fi -L 2020:omega.cc.puv.fi:80
e2101495@shell.puv.fi's password:
Warning: No xauth data; using fake authentication data for X11 forwarding.
Linux shell.vamk.fi 4.9.0-19-686-pae #1 SMP Debian 4.9.320-2 (2022-06-30) i686
Welcome to shell.vamk.fi.

The character encoding is now standard UTF-8.

If you use PuTTY use the latest version, or if you really must use a version older than 0.63: go to Window/Translation and change to "UTF-8".

Last login: Sun Nov 6 22:05:30 2022 from 83.245.133.206
e2101495@shell:~$
```

Firewall does not give permission to connect but connection to shell.puv.fi was successful

#### **Firewall**

Enable firewall with { sudo ufw enable }

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo ufw enable
[sudo] password for ron:
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo ufw status verbose
Status: active
Logging: on (low)
Default: deny (incoming), allow (outgoing), disabled (routed)
New profiles: skip
То
                                       From
                           Action
                           ALLOW IN
22/tcp
                                       Anywhere
22/tcp (v6)
                           ALLOW IN
                                       Anywhere (v6)
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$
```

Allow access on port 40400

```
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$ sudo ufw allow 40400
Rule added
Rule added (v6)
ron@ron-VirtualBox:~$
```

To see the changes command { sudo iptables -L }

```
Chain ufw-user-input (1 references)
target
           prot opt source
                                           destination
ACCEPT
           tcp --
                                           anywhere
                                                                 tcp dpt:ssh
                    anywhere
           tcp --
udp --
ACCEPT
                    anywhere
                                           anywhere
                                                                 tcp dpt:40400
ACCEPT
                                                                 udp dpt:40400
                    anywhere
                                           anywhere
```