



Assignment II

INF0 4110 – CLOUD COMPUTING

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Introduction

For this assignment we needed to create a website on a TryStack instance. The TryStack link kept pointing me to OpenStack and wanted me to use DevStack. DevStack required a lot of configurations and was one error after another just to set up the environment.

So, I found and used MicroStack. MicroStack is a single OpenStack deployment environment which can run on a workstation. I downloaded and used MicroStack on an Ubuntu VM.

This network as far as I am aware, cannot be access outside of the Virtual Machine. So I do not have an IP address for my website in that sense. The IP addresses associated to it were 10.20.20.125 and 192.168.222.240 (the floating IP address).

Right now the usernames and passwords are all the defaults.

- debian@<<THE IP ADDRESS>> and no password
- cirros@<<THE IP ADDRESS>> and no password
- the username is "admin" and the password is "keystone"

What Steps Did I Take To Set up Network

On Host Machine

```
Sudo apt-get update
```

```
Sudo apt-get upgrade
```

```
sudo snap install microstack --classic--beta
```

```
sudo microstack.init --auto
```

```
microstack.openstack catalog list
```

```
microstack.launch cirros --name awesome
```

```
ssh -i $HOME/.ssh/id_microstack cirros@10.20.20.151
```

```
sudo apt-get install cloud-init
```

Download admin-openrc from Horizon (Openstack web GUI in the top right)

Download a cloud image of debian in .qcow2 format

- Go to the file where you downloaded these items

```
source admin-openrc.sh
```

```
sudo snap install openstackclients
```

- You may be prompted to enter more like --classic after the above command and another

```
microstack.openstack catalog list
```

```
openstack image create --public --disk-format qcow2 --container-format bare --file <<CHANGE TO NAME OF FILE>> --property key=value <<CHANGE TO NAME FOR IMAGE>>
```

```
openstack image list
```

```
microstack.launch deboan --name deboan --f 2
```

```
ssh -i $HOME/.ssh/id_microstack debian@10.20.20.125
```

- I found sometimes I could not connect to the instance. So stop/restarting it sometimes helped

```
sudo iptables -t nat -A POSTROUTING -s 10.20.20.1/24 ! -d 10.20.20.1/24 -j MASQUERADE
```

```
sudo sysctl net.ipv4.ip_forward=1
```

```
sudo snap install lxd
```

```
sudo lxd init --auto
```

```
sudo snap remove lxd
```

On Debian Instance

```
cd ~
```

```
curl -sL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup\_6.x -o nodesource_setup.sh
```

```
nano nodesource_setup.sh
```

```
sudo bash nodesource_setup.sh
```

```
sudo apt-get install nodejs
```

```
sudo apt-get install build-essential
```

```
cd ~
```

```
nano hello.js
```

Place in hello.js

```
#!/usr/bin/env nodejs
var http = require('http');
http.createServer(function (req, res) {
  res.writeHead(200, {'Content-Type': 'text/plain'});
  res.end('Hello World\n');
}).listen(8080, 'localhost');
console.log('Server running at http://localhost:8080/');
```

```
chmod +x ./hello.js
```

```
nvm use 8
```

```
nvm install 8
```

- Use node -v OR npm -v to check versions and if they work

```
node hello.js
```

Output

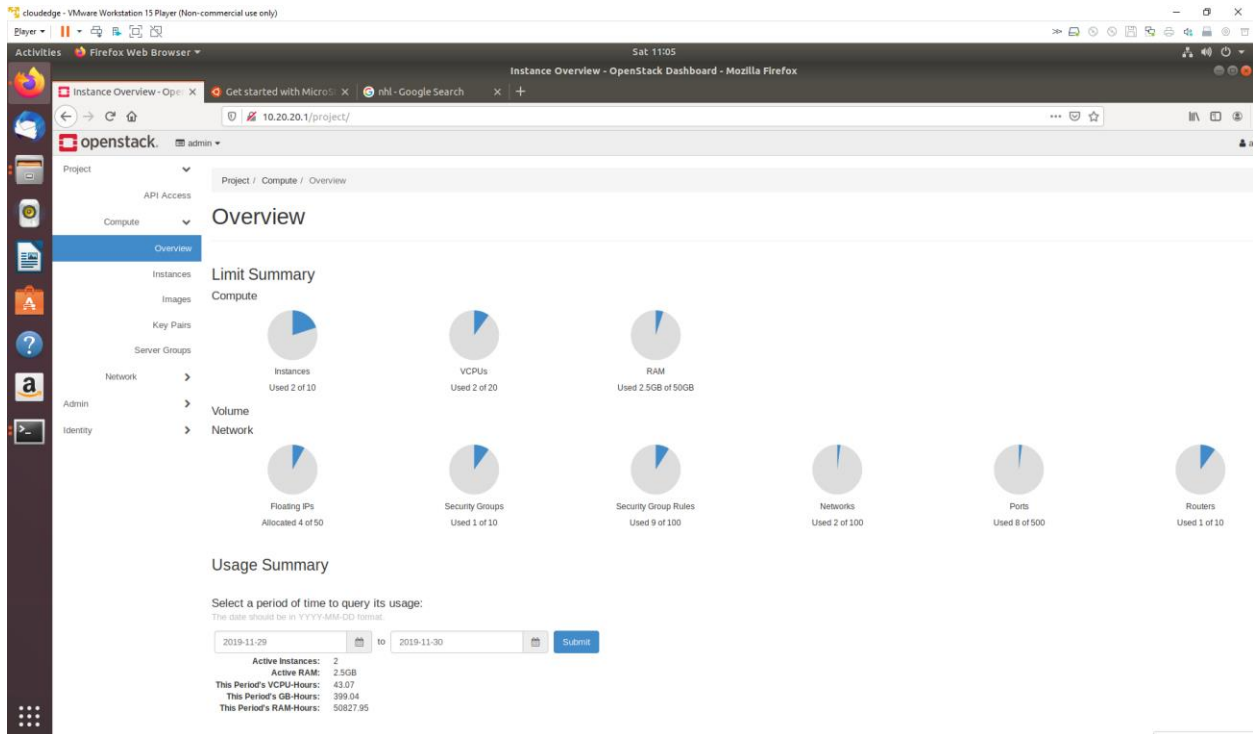
```
Server running at http://localhost:8080/
```

Problems I encountered

- I encountered problems with the installation of the Devstack image, and that is why I transitioned to MicroStack
- When manually trying to associate a floating IP address, there were none available. So I used the CLI command to create an instance and it would set everything up automatically.
- I needed the OpenStack RC file to upload an image to the network. But the GUI command also said that the file was too big to process. So I used the CLI command with the OpenStack RC authentication and it allowed me.
- When using the CLI command to create an instance, by default it chooses a micro size instance, so I needed to add an argument to choose a larger size instance
- Sometimes there were problems when trying to connect to instance. Restarting the instance sometimes helped
- The instance had problems connecting to the internet and so I had to create another routing table entry so that it could. Sometimes this worked.
- The node application had problems starting. It is suggested that this was due to compatibility problems. So I installed a previous version of node and npm

Overview

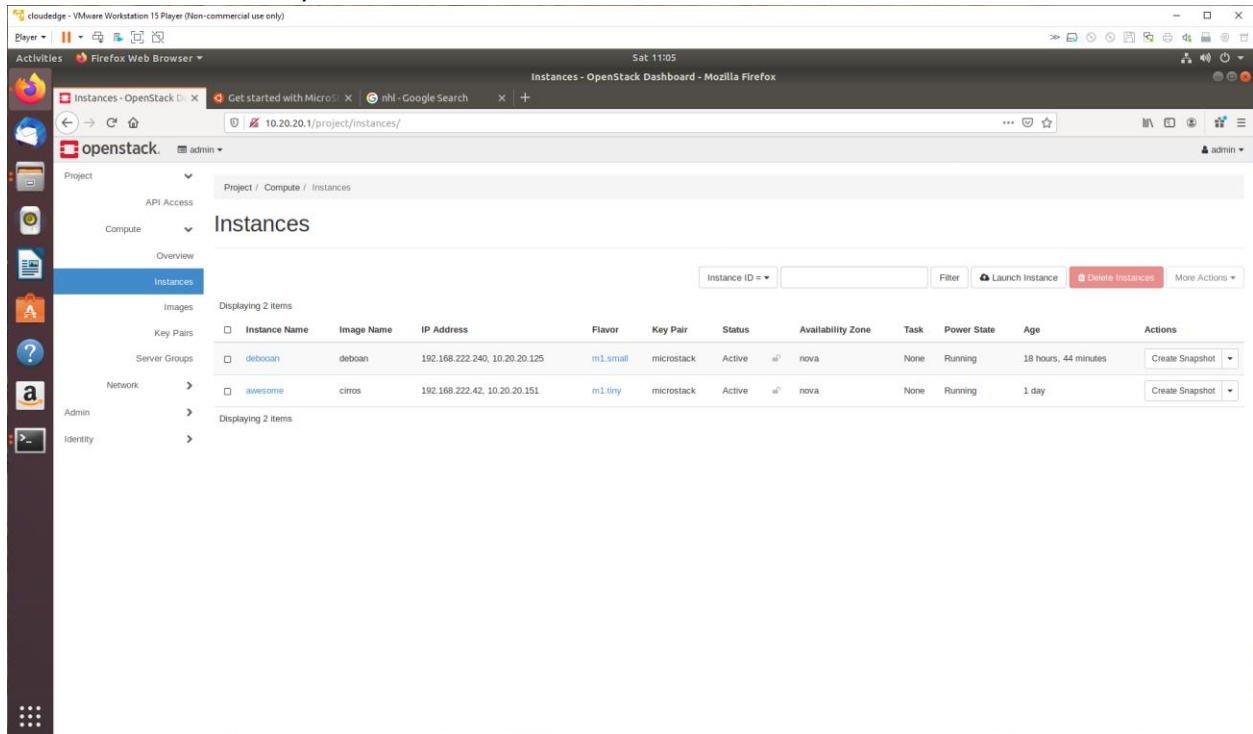
This is the Overview page. This shows a summary of the cloud network that I have created. Showing the number of Instances, Floating IPs, or Routers that I have set up.



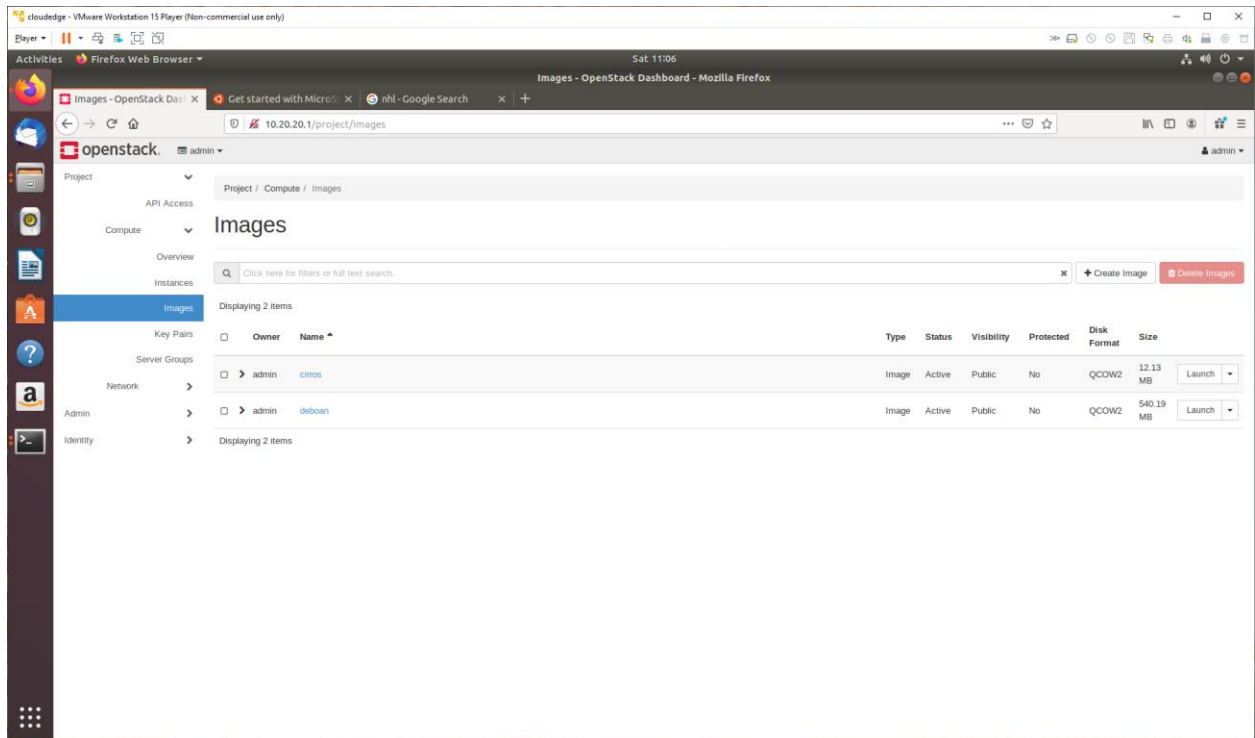
Instances

This image shows the different instances that I have created. The “awesome” instance is a cirros virtual machine. Cirros is a testing OS, that we can use to verify if the cloud network has been set up correctly. It cannot host a website though.

So I had to upload another image to use. I choose Debian. The other instance named “deboan”, is the instance that will host my website.

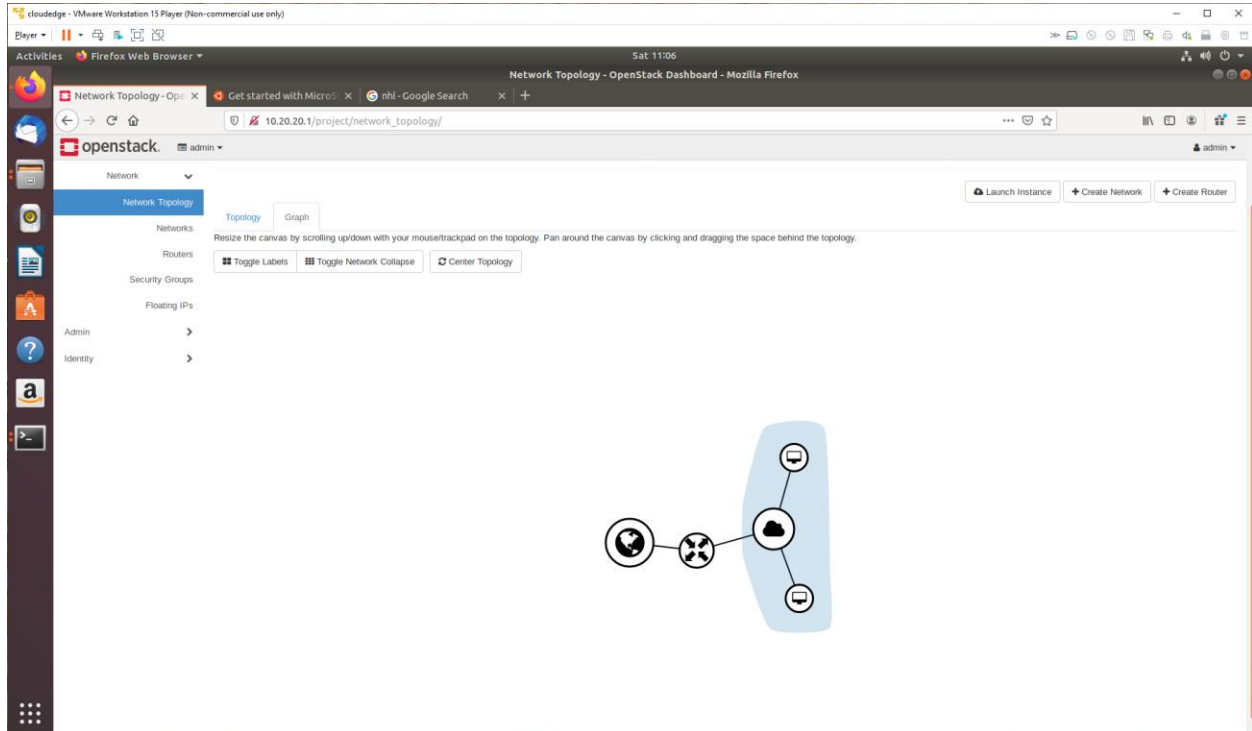


This image shows all the images that I have in my Openstack environment. There is the Cirros image and the Debian image, which I misspelt as deboan.

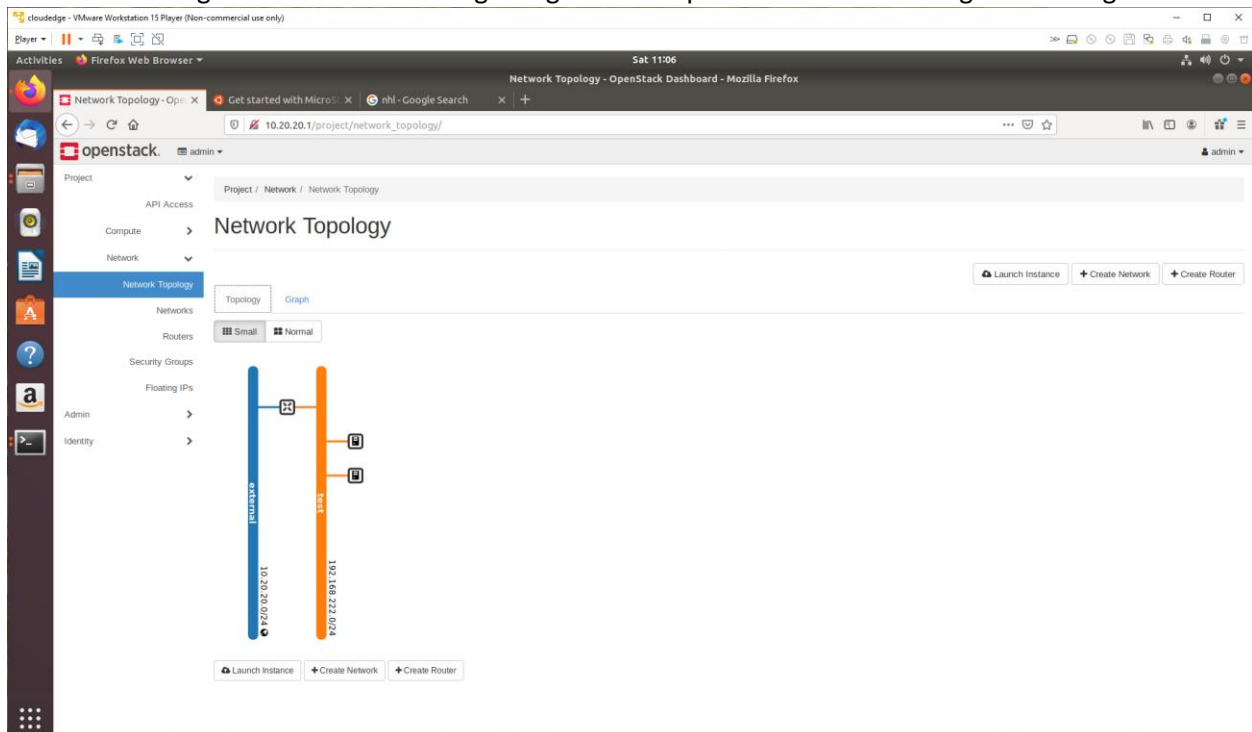


Network Topology graph

This is the network topology graph. It is a visual representation of what the network that we have created looks like. If we hover over each of the items, we can see what they are called, what they are and their associated IP address.



This second image is a flat network image diagram but represents the same thing as the image above.



Networks

This image shows the networks that we have created. One is the “test” network which is our internal network in the environment. The “external” is the network that associates with the outside world or the edge of the network.

The screenshot displays the OpenStack Networks dashboard. The left sidebar contains navigation links for Project, API Access, Compute, Network, and Admin. The main content area shows the 'Networks' page with a table of two networks:

Name	Subnets Associated	Shared	External	Status	Admin State	Availability Zones	Actions
test	test-subnet 192.168.222.0/24	No	No	Active	UP	nova	Edit Network
external	external-subnet 10.20.20.0/24	No	Yes	Active	UP	nova	Edit Network

Routers

Here you can see the test router that I have created for my network. This router helps connect the different networks that I have created.

The screenshot displays the OpenStack Dashboard interface within a Firefox browser window. The browser's address bar shows the URL `10.20.20.1/project/routers/`. The dashboard's left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: Project, API Access, Compute, Network, Networks, Security Groups, Floating IPs, Admin, and Identity. The 'Networks' section is expanded, and the 'Routers' link is selected. The main content area, titled 'Routers', displays a table with the following columns: Name, Status, External Network, Admin State, Availability Zones, and Actions. A single router, 'test-router', is listed with a status of 'Active', an external network of 'external', an admin state of 'UP', and availability zones of 'nova'. The 'Actions' column for this router includes a 'Clear Gateway' button. At the top right of the table, there are buttons for 'Create Router' and 'Delete Routers'.

Name	Status	External Network	Admin State	Availability Zones	Actions
test-router	Active	external	UP	nova	Clear Gateway

Floating IPs

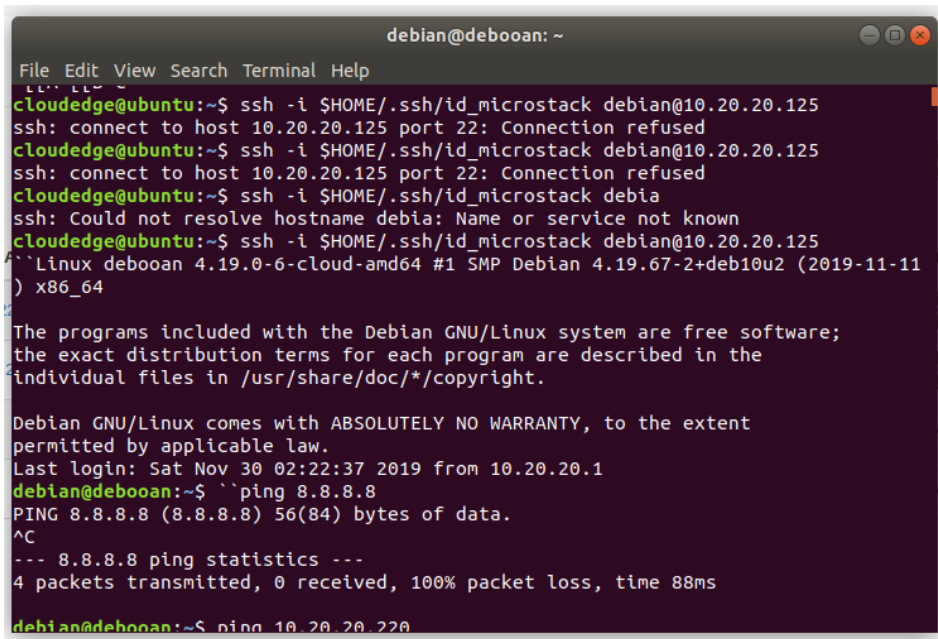
The image below shows the various floating IP address that I have created to associate with the different instances and items in my network.

The screenshot shows the OpenStack Floating IPs dashboard in a Firefox browser. The browser's address bar displays the URL `10.20.20.1/project/floating_ips/`. The OpenStack dashboard interface includes a left-hand navigation menu with categories like Project, API Access, Compute, Network, and Admin. The 'Floating IPs' section is selected under the Network category. The main content area, titled 'Floating IPs', displays a table of four floating IP addresses. Above the table, there are controls for filtering and actions, including a 'Floating IP Address' dropdown, a 'Filter' button, and buttons for 'Allocate IP To Project' and 'Release Floating IPs'. The table columns are 'IP Address', 'Description', 'Mapped Fixed IP Address', 'Pool', 'Status', and 'Actions'. The data rows show IP addresses 10.20.20.125, 10.20.20.151, 10.20.20.228, and 10.20.20.203, with their respective mapped fixed IP addresses and pool names.

IP Address	Description	Mapped Fixed IP Address	Pool	Status	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/> 10.20.20.125		deboan 192.168.222.240	external	Active	Disassociate
<input type="checkbox"/> 10.20.20.151		awesome 192.168.222.42	external	Active	Disassociate
<input type="checkbox"/> 10.20.20.228		-	external	Down	Associate
<input type="checkbox"/> 10.20.20.203		-	external	Down	Associate

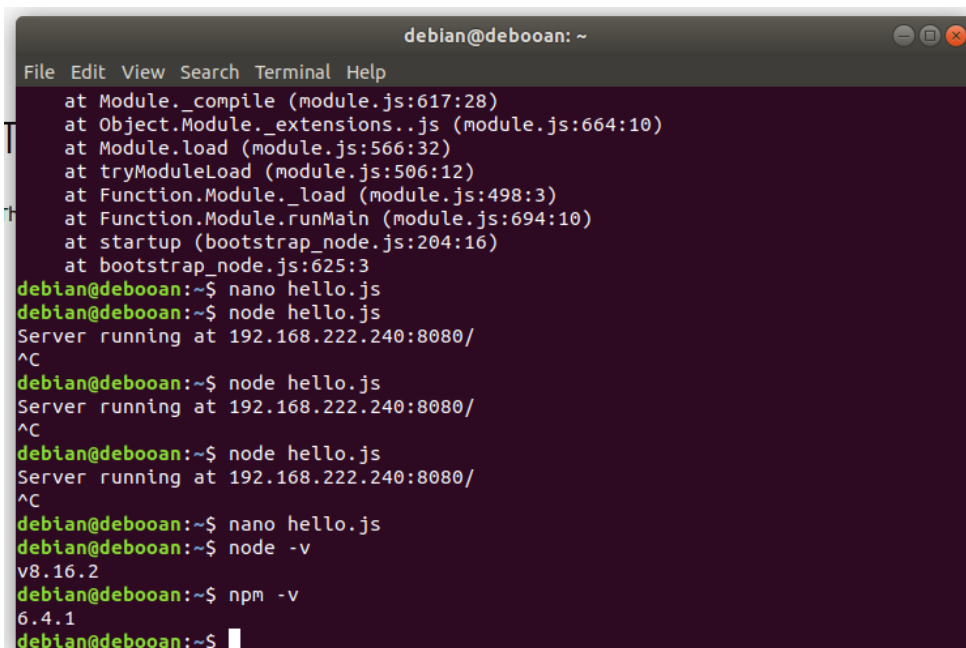
The Website

This image shows me using an SSH connection to connect to my debian instance.



```
debian@deboan: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
cloudedge@ubuntu:~$ ssh -i $HOME/.ssh/id_microstack debian@10.20.20.125  
ssh: connect to host 10.20.20.125 port 22: Connection refused  
cloudedge@ubuntu:~$ ssh -i $HOME/.ssh/id_microstack debian@10.20.20.125  
ssh: connect to host 10.20.20.125 port 22: Connection refused  
cloudedge@ubuntu:~$ ssh -i $HOME/.ssh/id_microstack debia  
ssh: Could not resolve hostname debia: Name or service not known  
cloudedge@ubuntu:~$ ssh -i $HOME/.ssh/id_microstack debian@10.20.20.125  
Linux deboan 4.19.0-6-cloud-amd64 #1 SMP Debian 4.19.67-2+deb10u2 (2019-11-11)  
) x86_64  
  
The programs included with the Debian GNU/Linux system are free software;  
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the  
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.  
  
Debian GNU/Linux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent  
permitted by applicable law.  
Last login: Sat Nov 30 02:22:37 2019 from 10.20.20.1  
debian@deboan:~$ `ping 8.8.8.8  
PING 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8) 56(84) bytes of data.  
^C  
--- 8.8.8.8 ping statistics ---  
4 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 88ms  
debian@deboan:~$ ping 10.20.20.220
```

Here is an image showing that I have installed nodejs and npm onto the instance



```
debian@deboan: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
at Module._compile (module.js:617:28)  
at Object.Module._extensions..js (module.js:664:10)  
at Module.load (module.js:566:32)  
at tryModuleLoad (module.js:506:12)  
at Function.Module._load (module.js:498:3)  
at Function.Module.runMain (module.js:694:10)  
at startup (bootstrap_node.js:204:16)  
at bootstrap_node.js:625:3  
debian@deboan:~$ nano hello.js  
debian@deboan:~$ node hello.js  
Server running at 192.168.222.240:8080/  
^C  
debian@deboan:~$ node hello.js  
Server running at 192.168.222.240:8080/  
^C  
debian@deboan:~$ node hello.js  
Server running at 192.168.222.240:8080/  
^C  
debian@deboan:~$ nano hello.js  
debian@deboan:~$ node -v  
v8.16.2  
debian@deboan:~$ npm -v  
6.4.1  
debian@deboan:~$
```

This image shows me initiating the instance with the “node hello.js” command

```
debian@deboan: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
debian@deboan:~$ npm -v  
6.4.1  
debian@deboan:~$ node -v  
v8.16.2  
debian@deboan:~$ ls  
hello.js  nodesource_setup.sh  
debian@deboan:~$ node hello.js  
Server running at http://localhost:8000/  
^C  
debian@deboan:~$ node hello.js  
Server running at http://localhost:8000/  
curl http://localhost:8080  
^C  
debian@deboan:~$ nano hello.js  
debian@deboan:~$ nano hello.js  
debian@deboan:~$ node hello.js  
Server running at http://localhost:8080/  
^C  
debian@deboan:~$ ls  
hello.js  nodesource_setup.sh  
debian@deboan:~$ cd /  
debian@deboan:/$ ls  
bin    home    lib      lost+found  proc  srv  var  
boot   http_server.js  lib32    media      root  sys  vmlinuz
```

This is as far as I got. I was able to create an OpenStack environment and create my network and an instance. I was able to download node.js on my instance and I was able to create a .js file that had the code to initialize a basic nodejs website. But I was not able to view my website. I was only able to ssh into the instance and make changes to it. But the web hosting was not working.

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