

LDAP SERVER & CLIENT CONFIGURATION FOR RHEL 6 WITH LTS

I made this blog to help anyone to install and configuration ldap server and client I hope it will be easy for all.

Packages Required

We need to install the following packages for both ldap server and client except **migrationtools-47-7.el6.noarch** it will be on server only.

compat-openldap-2.3.43-2.el6.i686

openldap-servers-2.4.23-15.el6.i686

openldap-clients-2.4.23-15.el6.i686

openldap-2.4.23-15.el6.i686

openldap-devel-2.4.23-15.el6.i686

nss-pam-ldapd-0.7.5-7.el6.i686

migrationtools-47-7.el6.noarch

Server side configuration

We need to run the following command at server side:

- 1- # cp /usr/share/openldap-servers/slapd.conf.obsolete /etc/openldap/slapd.conf
- 2- #vim /etc/openldap/slapd.conf you need to change few things based one photo below



The screenshot shows the /etc/openldap/slapd.conf file with several annotations in red and yellow. The annotations include: 'Ldap DB name' pointing to the 'database' line; 'you should change testnv.com to your domain name' pointing to the 'suffix' and 'rootpw' lines; 'to get encrypt password you need to run this command slappasswd' pointing to the 'rootpw' line; 'you should change testnv.com to your domain name' pointing to the 'access to' block; and 'you can change Admin to Manager or What ever you need' pointing to the 'by dn:cn=admin,dc=testnv,dc=com' line.

```
include      /etc/openldap/schema/core.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/cosine.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/duaconf.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/dynegroup.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/inetorgperson.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/java.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/misc.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/nis.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/openldap.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/ppolicy.schema
include      /etc/openldap/schema/collective.schema

allow bind_v2

pidfile      /var/run/openldap/slapd.pid
argfile      /var/run/openldap/slapd.args

#####
# ldsm and/or bdb database definitions
#####

database     bdb
suffix       "dc=testnv,dc=com"
checkpoint   1024
rootdn       "cn=admin,dc=testnv,dc=com"
rootpw       {SSHA}4pEXWf6LWwFyJ7m8e4LCW8v0wAgv9
directory    /var/lib/ldap

# Indices to maintain for this database
index objectClass eq,pres
index ou,cn,mail,surname,givenname eq,pres,sub
index uidNumber,gidNumber,loginShell eq,pres
index uid,memberOf eq,pres,sub
index nisMapName,nisMapEntry eq,pres,sub

# enable monitoring
database monitor

# allow only rootds to read the monitor
access to *
  by dn:cn=admin,dc=testnv,dc=com read
  by * none
```

- 3- To enable TLS you should add the following lines in /etc/openldap/slapd.conf

```
TLSCipherSuite      HIGH:MEDIUM:+SSLv2:+SSLv3:RSA
TLSCACertificateFile /etc/openldap/cacerts/server.pem
TLSCertificateFile   /etc/openldap/cacerts/server.pem
TLSCertificateKeyFile /etc/openldap/cacerts/server.pem
TLSVerifyClient      allow
```

- 4- Under /etc/openldap/slapd.d/ you will see folder called cn=config we need to add few lines at the following file olcDatabase={1}bdb.ldif
- 5- vim /etc/openldap/slapd.d/cn=config/olcDatabase={1}bdb.ldif and the lines below

```
olcRootPW: {SSHA}ccFKiy8ska8IhNwwlaNYxiBNbilWe5M1 (output of slappasswd)
olcTLSCertificateFile: /etc/openldap/cacerts/server.pem
olcTLSCertificateKeyFile: /etc/openldap/cacerts/server.pem
```

- 6- after finished editing file press Esc and press : to be in command mode in vim like the command below
- ```
:%s/dc=my-domain,dc=com/dc=your_domain,dc=com/g
```
- then press :x
- 7- that above command will replace my-domain and com with new domain
- 8- Copy a default DB\_CONFIG file which sets cache and tuning options for the Berkley database backend (this also needs to be writeable by the ldap user). 

```
cp /usr/share/doc/openldap-servers-*/DB_CONFIG.example /var/lib/ldap/DB_CONFIG
```
- 9- Create test user to make test with this user ldapuser1 and ldapuser2 through the following command
- ```
#useradd -g users ldapuser1
```
- ```
#passwd ldapuser1
```
- and set user password
- 10- Now we need to create ldap db through the following command
- ```
#vim /usr/share/migrationtools/migrate_common.ph
```
- ```
#
```
- in command mode at vim for above file you should write the following
- ```
:%s/dc=my-domain,dc=com/dc=your_domain,dc=com/g
```
- Then press :x to save your change
- ```
#cd /usr/share/migrationtools
```
- ```
#./migrate_all_offline.sh
```
- this will rebuild ldap DB under /var/lib/ldap
- 11- Now you should change owner ship of ldap DB files to ldap and ldap group too through the following command
- ```
#chown -R ldap.ldap /var/lib/ldap
```
- ```
#chown -R ldap.ldap /etc/openldap/slapd.d
```

Enable TLS

- 12- Now we will create certificate file to enable TLS through openssl command please check commands below:
- ```
#cd /etc/openldap/cacerts/
```
- ```
#openssl req -newkey rsa:1024 -x509 -nodes -out server.pem -keyout\server.pem -days 3650
```
- Then fill information like country stat.
- 13- Now you have certificate file for both server and client side at same file we will the following command to create separate certificate file for client side
- ```
#grep -A 100 CERTIFICATE server.pem > client.pem
```
- ```
#chown -R ldap:ldap /etc/openldap/cacerts/
```
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```
vim /etc/sysconfig/ldap
```

 then change the following like from no to yes
- ```
SLAPD_LDAPS=yes
```

# Base domain configuration & migration

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- 15- we need to creat ldif file under /etc/openldap/schema/ not must to create it under this path but to collect all config files of ldap under one place this files it will help us to add user in ldap server

```
cd /etc/openldap/schema/
#vim base.ldif
```

```
dn: dc=your_domain,dc=com
dc: your_domain
objectClass: top
objectClass: domain
dn: ou=People,dc= your_domain,dc= com
ou: People
objectClass: top
objectClass: organizationalUnit
dn: ou=Group,dc= your_domain,dc=com
ou: Group
objectClass: top
objectClass: organizationalUnit
```

```
/usr/share/migrationtools/migrate_passwd.pl /etc/passwd people.ldif
/usr/share/migrationtools/migrate_group.pl /etc/group group.ldif
```

- 16- now you can start sldap service by the following command:

```
/etc/rc.d/init.d/slaped start
```

## Test server configuration

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- 17- Now we need to verify our config work fine or not first we need to check is ldaps ports by the following commands

```
#netstat -lt | grep ldaps
tcp 0 0 *:ldaps *:*
LISTEN
tcp 0 0 *:ldaps *:*
LISTEN
```

```
ldapsearch -x -b '' -s base '(objectclass=*)' namingContexts
The output it should be like the following lines
extended LDIF
#
LDAPv3
base <> with scope baseObject
filter: (objectclass=*)
requesting: namingContexts
#
#
dn:
namingContexts: dc=testnv,dc=com

search result
search: 2
result: 0 Success

numResponses: 2
numEntries: 1
```

18- Now we will try to add Admin user in ldap by the following command:

```
#ldapadd -x -W -D "cn=Admin,dc=your_domain,dc=com" -f \
/etc/openldap/schema/base.ldif
```

After that command you should enter the ldap password you had entered by command slapasswd and you should see result like the box below

```
adding new entry "dc= your_domain,dc=com"
adding new entry "ou=People,dc= your_domain,dc=com"
adding new entry "ou=Group,dc= your_domain,dc=com"
```

## Client Configuration

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Now that we have a server which is responding correctly, we can configure our clients to authenticate to the LDAP server.

There is easy tool configure the machine as ldap client it called **system-config-authentication**.

We will explain how to use it below

- 19- From command line at client machine run  
# system-config-authentication &  
You will get at your screen the following photo



- 20- Please note you should replace testnv and come with your domain name.  
21- You must use ldap password for authentication method  
22- Check box for use TLS to encrypt connections  
23- The file called client.pem we had created before you should upload it on http web server or ftp  
We will use here http server for example <http://xx.xx.xx.xx/rhel6/client.pem> then press apply.

# Client configuration verification

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- 24- After filling information at above box you need to check first the certificate file loaded correctly at your system through the following command

```
cd /etc/openldap/cacerts
```

Run ls with l option you will see the client.pem name converted to authconfig\_downloaded.pem as command output showed

```
ll
```

```
total 4
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1038 Sep 23 15:42 authconfig_downloaded.pem
```

```
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 25 Sep 23 18:38 fde58659.0 -> authconfig_downloaded.pem
```

- 25- We need to check network switch by # vi /etc/nsswitch.conf

You will see the tool added **sss** passwd, shadow and group section please check the photo below.

```
To use db, put the "db" in front of "files" for entries you want to be
looked up first in the databases
#
Example:
#passwd: db files nisplus nis
#shadow: db files nisplus nis
#group: db files nisplus nis

passwd: files sss
shadow: files sss
group: files sss

#hosts: db files nisplus nis dns
hosts: files dns
```

- 26- We need to check now **ldap.conf** under /etc/openldap  
The photo below will show what line has added in that file

```
LDAP Defaults
#
See ldap.conf(5) for details
This file should be world readable but not world writable.

#BASE dc=example,dc=com
#URI ldap://ldap.example.com ldap://ldap-master.example.com:666

#SIZELIMIT 12
#TIMELIMIT 15
#REFERRALS no
#URI ldaps://testnv.com/
#BASE dc=testnv,dc=com
#TLS_CACERTDIR /etc/openldap/cacerts
```

*these lines should be added after using  
system-config-authentication tools*

- 27- At sssd.conf under /etc/sss you should see the same like photo above at end of this file under [domain/default] section

```
ldap_force_upper_case_realm = True
[domain/default]
auth_provider = ldap
ldap_id_use_start_tls = True
chpass_provider = ldap
cache_credentials = True
ldap_search_base = dc=testnv,dc=com
id_provider = ldap
ldap_uri = ldaps://testnv.com/
ldap_tls_cacertdir = /etc/openldap/cacerts
```

- 28- The last file you should check configuration at it password-auth under /etc/pam.d  
Please check photo below

```
#PAM-1.0
This file is auto-generated.
User changes will be destroyed the next time authconfig is run.
auth required pam_env.so
auth sufficient pam_unix.so nullok try_first_pass
auth requisite pam_succeed_if.so uid >= 500 quiet
auth sufficient pam_sss.so use_first_pass
auth required pam_deny.so

account required pam_unix.so broken_shadow
account sufficient pam_localuser.so
account sufficient pam_succeed_if.so uid < 500 quiet
account [default=bad success=ok user_unknown=ignore] pam_sss.so
account required pam_permit.so

password requisite pam_cracklib.so try_first_pass retry=3 type=
password sufficient pam_unix.so sha512 shadow nullok try_first_pass use_authtok
password sufficient pam_sss.so use_authtok
password required pam_deny.so

session optional pam_keyinit.so revoke
session required pam_limits.so
session [success=1 default=ignore] pam_succeed_if.so service in crond quiet use_uid
session required pam_unix.so
session optional pam_sss.so
```

*the highlighted lines it's showed that these lines  
added after running the below authentication tool  
system-config-authentication*



# Add new user at ldap server how to

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To add new user at ldap server we need to do the following steps

29- Run useradd command at ldap server

- A) `#useradd newuser ; passwd newuser`
- B) we need to migrate new user base on the following commands explain
- C) `#cat /etc/passwd | grep newuser > /etc/openldap/schema/newuser`
- D) `# /usr/share/migrationtools/migrate_passwd.pl /etc/openldap/schema/newuser \ /etc/openldap/schema/ newuser.ldif`
- E) Also we need to update ldap user group by run the following command  
`# cat /etc/group | grep newuser > newuser.group`  
`#/usr/share/migrationtools/migrate_group.pl newuser.group newuser.group.ldif`
- F) Now you can run ldapadd like example below to update ldap with new users  
`#ldapadd -cxWD cn=Admin,dc=testnv,dc=com -f newuser.ldif`  
Also we need to update ldap with new users groups by run the following command  
`#ldapadd -cxWD cn=Admin,dc=testnv,dc=com -f newuser.group.ldif`

30- Now we need to share /home via nfs service

```
#vim /etc/exports and add the lines below
/home *(rw,sync)
service nfs restart
```

31- At client we need to enable auto mount for ldap server home directory vi the following steps

- A) `#vi /etc/auto.master ( add the following line)`  
`/home /etc/auto.home --timeout 60`  
Then save via **:x**
- B) create new file under /etc called aut.home  
`#vi /etc/auto.home ( add the following line at this file)`  
`* -fstype=nfs,rw,intr,rsiz=32768,wsiz=32768,hard,bg,nosuid,noexec,tcp`  
`you_nfs_server_ip:/home/&`
- C) we need to restart autofs via service command  
`# service autofs restart`
- D) at ldap client you can try to run su command followed by newuser as example below showing  
`[root@localhost ~]# su - newuser`  
`[newuser@localhost ~]$`

32- now your ldap server working fine and have a nice day :D

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