

Advanced DNS Operations & Security



A few UNIX basics

Our chosen platform

FreeBSD 9.1 64 bit

- UNIX OS, BSD variant
 - 30 year history
 - no GUI, we administer using SSH
- There are other platforms you could use:
 - Ubuntu, Debian, CentOS/RedHat, ...
 - This isn't a UNIX admin course
 - Worksheets are mostly step-by-step
 - Please help each other or ask us for help



Some things we'll need to do...

Be *root* when necessary: `sudo <cmd>`

Install packages:

```
pkg add <package_name>
```

Edit files:

```
sudo ee /etc/motd
```

```
sudo vi /etc/motd
```

Installed editors include ee, jed, joe and vi*

vi editor

- The default editor for all UNIX
- Can be difficult to use
- If you know it and prefer to use vi please do
- We provide a PDF reference in the materials on the workshop wiki



Other editors

ee

- ESC brings up the editor menu
- Cursors work as you expect

jed

- F10 brings up the editor menu
- Cursors work as you expect

joe

- Ctrl-k-h brings up the editor menu
- Ctrl-c aborts
- Cursors work as you expect

Other tools

Terminate foreground program: CTRL+C

```
$ ping yahoo.com
PING yahoo.com (67.195.160.76): 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 67.195.160.76: icmp_seq=0 ttl=45 time=221.053 ms
64 bytes from 67.195.160.76: icmp_seq=1 ttl=45 time=224.145 ms
^C    ← here press CTRL + C
```

Browse the filesystem:

```
- cd /etc
- ls
- ls -l
```

Rename and delete files

```
- mv file file.bak
- rm file.bak
```

Starting and stopping services

Standard method

```
sudo service named [stop|start|  
restart]
```

Check for a process by name

```
- ps auxwww | grep http
```

```
gollum# ps auxwww | grep http  
root      2694  0.0  0.2 147672  6592  ??  Ss   5:32AM  0:00.03 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2695  0.0  0.2 147672  6900  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2696  0.0  0.2 147672  6900  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2697  0.0  0.2 147672  6588  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2698  0.0  0.2 147672  6588  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2699  0.0  0.2 147672  6588  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2700  0.0  0.2 147672  6908  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2701  0.0  0.2 147672  6780  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2702  0.0  0.2 147672  6704  ??  I    5:32AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
www       2749  0.0  0.2 147672  6896  ??  I    5:34AM  0:00.00 /usr/local/sbin/httpd -DNOHTTPACCEPT  
root      4072  0.0  0.0  10056  1088  v0  I+   5:40AM  0:00.00 tail -f /var/log/httpd-access.log  
root      4091  0.0  0.0  16424  1472   2  S+   5:44AM  0:00.00 grep http
```

Viewing files

Sometimes files are viewed through a pager program (“more”, “less”, “cat”). Examples:

```
man sudo
```

```
less /usr/local/etc/nagios/nagios.cfg-sample
```

- Space bar for next page
- “b” to go backwards
- “q” to quit
- “/” and a pattern (/text) to search

“less is more”

Troubleshooting: Logfiles

Log files are critical to solve problems. They reside (largely) in `/var/log/`

Some popular log files include:

`/var/log/messages`

`/var/log/httpd-error.log`

`/var/log/maillog`

`/etc/namedb/log/*` (this class only)

To view the last entry in a log file:

```
tail /var/log/messages
```

To view new entries as they happen:

```
tail -f /var/log/messages
```

Connecting via SSH to machines

Login to your virtual machine using ssh. On Windows use putty.exe - download from:

<http://the.earth.li/~sgtatham/putty/latest/x86/putty.exe>

or

<http://noc.ws.nsrc.org/>

Connect as user “*sysadm*” to:

- auth1.grpX → 10.10.X.1
- auth2.grpX → 10.10.X.2
- resolv.grpX → 10.10.X.3

Where “X” is your group number. The password is given in class.

Logging in

Linux/MacOS

First, open a terminal, then:

```
ssh -l sysadm auth1.grpX.ws.nsrc.org
```

Windows

Putty (or other SSH program) connect to:

```
auth1.grpX.ws.nsrc.org
```

1. As user "sysadm"
2. Accept the key
3. Repeat for `resolv.grpX` and `auth2.grpX` **(if configured)**

"X" is the number of your group

After you are logged in...

- Experiment with the `ee` editor
 - ... or `vi` or `joe` or `jed` if you prefer
- Edit the “message of the day” to identify your virtual machine as yours:
 - `sudo ee /etc/motd`
- Log out and log in again to see your changes. Repeat this for each virtual machine...

Questions

