Unix System Administration

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SSH – ssh-keygen

- Create an SSH keypair
- % ssh-keygen -t <type> [-f filename] [-b bits]
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SSH – ssh-agent

- Keeps track of keypairs in memory
  - You open your ssh keys once at the beginning with passphrase
  - All passphrases tracked thereafter for the duration of ssh-agent
  - Useful if you ssh to one machine more than once
    - And want to keep access very secure!
- ssh-agent runs in the background
  - Any new shells you spawn are tracked by ssh-agent
    - May not be true for older versions