

RE: LDAP in Unix

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Dubaisans,

I think you are on the right track. You still will need local copies of /etc/passwd and /etc/shadow but they will only be used as a fall back mechanism when LDAP authentication is not available.

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I have 100 + unix servers primarily Linux and solaris.

I am new to LDAP.

I would like to use Sun ONE Directory server and centralise the user creation. Once I have LDAP based Directory server is the following true?

1. Whenever a new user has to be created I will create on the SunOne server and say it is valid only on this host(s). There is no need to create the user at the host
2. There is no /etc/passwd and /etc/shadow files on the individual hosts anymore or they are not of any importance. All the passwords are stored only in the Directory server.
3. As a later stage I would like to give RSA securID authentication to selected set of high privilege users.

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Is LDAP and Sun one the right direction?