

## Re: publickey doesn't work – solved

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Bernd.Eggink@rrz.uni-hamburg.de wrote:

- > *I have two systems A and B at home (and several more at the*
- > *university). Everything works fine, except that for some obscure*
- > *reasons publickey authentication doesn't work for user root from A to*
- > *B (both SuSE Linux 9.1). It works for a normal user in both*
- > *directions, and it works for root from B to A. I triple-checked all of*
- > *the configuration files, they are identical on both machines.*
- > *B:/root/.ssh/authorized\_keys contains nothing but A:root's public key.*

Found it, at last: It was caused by a group write permission for /root/.ssh.

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