

Re: What's the deal on the -X vs -Y thing?

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Dan Stromberg <strombrg@dcs.nac.uci.edu> writes:

>Why was -X changed to -Y, and was it really worth breaking user-training
>compatibility?

>With this apparently-intentional breakage, it's going to be a mess for
>years to come, helping users understand when to use -X and when to use -Y.

>Or am I missing something? Is there still a consistent way of getting X11
>forwarding, across versions of openssh?

I'm not sure what problem you are having.

I just added to ".ssh/config"

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Host *  
    ForwardAgent no  
    ForwardX11 no  
    ForwardX11Trusted yes  
    StrictHostKeyChecking ask  
  
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and all works fine.

I first tried that with only a specific host --- the one where I most needed trusted X-forwarding. But that didn't work very well, so I made it apply to all. In practice, I only do X forwarding to trusted hosts anyway. My default is to forward neither X nor agent.