

Installing Snorby on Debian 6.0 (Squeeze)

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1. Introduction

According to snorby.org, Snorby is a ruby on rails web application for network security monitoring that interfaces with current popular intrusion detection systems (Snort, Suricata and Sagan). The project goal is to create a free, open source and highly competitive application for network monitoring for both private and enterprise use.

Today I'm going to show you how to install Snorby on Debian 6. This is the first time I use Snorby so I'll post my first impressions.

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2. Installation. First steps.

2.1 Update your list of packages and install some debian packages

```
# apt-get update
# apt-get install unzip ruby1.9.1 ruby1.9.1-dev build-essential libxslt1-dev
libpng12-dev libjpeg62-dev ttf-dejavu libtiff4-dev libjasper-dev libfontconfig1-
dev libxml2-dev ghostscript libopenexr-dev libwmf-dev librsvg2-dev libfftw3-dev
liblzma-dev liblcms1-dev graphviz-dev libdjvulibre-dev openssl xorg libssl-dev
mysql-server mysql-client libmysqlclient-dev
```

2.2 Install Java from Oracle web page

Maybe it's not needed, but one of the ruby gems complains with a warning if Java is not installed.

```
# wget http://download.oracle.com/otn-pub/java/jdk/7u1-b08/jdk-7u1-linux-
i586.tar.gz
# tar xvf jdk-7u1-linux-i586.tar.gz
# mkdir /usr/java
# mv /usr/local/src/jdk1.7.0_01 /usr/java/latest
# update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/java java /usr/java/latest/jre/bin/java
20000
# update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/javaws javaws
/usr/java/latest/jre/bin/javaws 20000
# update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/javac javac /usr/java/latest/bin/javac
20000
# update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/jar jar /usr/java/latest/bin/jar 20000
```

2.3 Installing rubygems

```
# cd /usr/local/src
# wget http://production.cf.rubygems.org/rubygems/rubygems-1.8.10.tgz
# tar xvfz rubygems-1.8.10.tgz
# cd rubygems-1.8.10/
# ruby1.9.1 setup.rb
# cd ..
```

2.4 Installing ImageMagick

ImageMagick version must be $\geq 6.6.4$, so let's compile it.

```
# wget ftp://ftp.sunet.se/pub/multimedia/graphics/ImageMagick/ImageMagick-6.6.9-
7.tar.gz
# tar xfz ImageMagick-6.6.9-7.tar.gz
# cd ImageMagick-6.6.9-7/
# ./configure
# make && make install
# cd ..
```

2.5 Installing wkhtmltopdf

```
# wget http://wkhtmltopdf.googlecode.com/files/wkhtmltopdf-0.11.0_rc1-static-
i386.tar.bz2
# tar xvjf wkhtmltopdf-0.11.0_rc1-static-i386.tar.bz2
# mv wkhtmltopdf-i386 /usr/local/bin/wkhtmltopdf
# chmod +x /usr/local/bin/wkhtmltopdf
# cd ..
```

2.6 Installing rails and other ruby gems needed

```
# gem1.9.1 install rails
# gem1.9.1 install bundler
# gem1.9.1 install pdfkit
```

3. Installing Snorby

3.1 Get Snorby

First of all, get Snorby at snorby.org.

```
# unzip Snorby-snorby-v2.3.10-0-ga1b1e28.zip
# cd Snorby-snorby-a1b1e28/
```

3.2 Modify the configuration files

Modify the user and password for your mysql server

```
# vi config/database.yml
```

Set the ip address and port in the test section e.g domain: x.x.x.x:3000

```
# vi config/snorby_config.yml
```

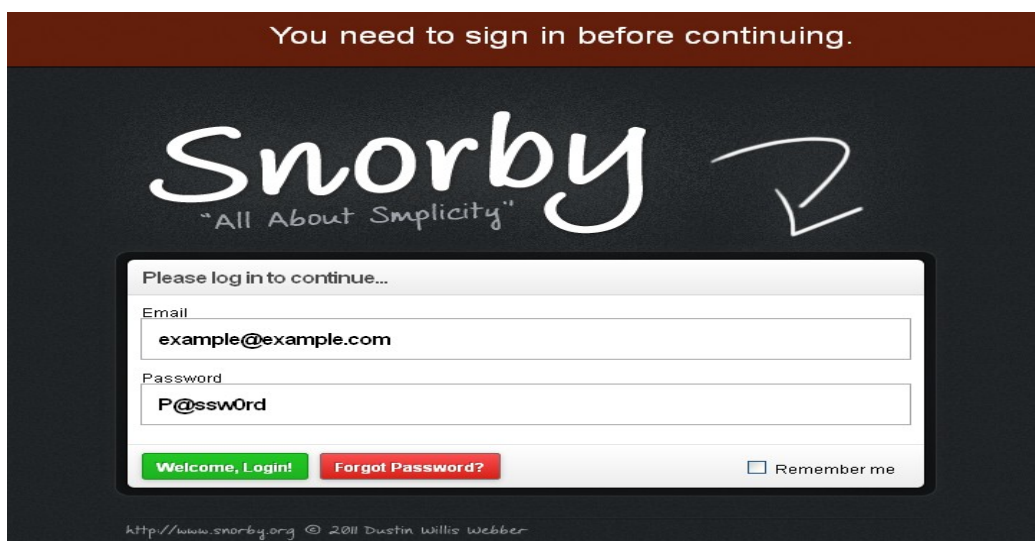
3.3 Install Snorby

```
# bundle install
# bundle exec rake snorby:setup
```

3.4 Test it!

```
# rails server -e test
```

Go to <http://x.x.x.x:3000>. Are you seeing this?



Authenticate yourself with snorby@snorby.org and the password snorby

The screenshot shows the Snorby web interface. At the top, the logo reads "Snorby 'All About Simplicity'" and the user is logged in as "Administrator". The navigation menu includes "Dashboard", "My Queue (0)", "Events", "Sensors", "Search", and "Administration". A status message indicates "The Snorby worker is not currently running." The main dashboard area is titled "Dashboard" and features a "More Options" button. It displays event counts for "HIGH SEVERITY", "MEDIUM SEVERITY", and "LOW SEVERITY", all showing "0". Below these are tabs for "Sensors", "Severities", "Protocols", "Signatures", "Sources", and "Destinations". A chart titled "Event Count vs Time By Sensor" is present but empty. On the right side, there are sections for "TOP 5 SENSOR", "TOP 5 ACTIVE USERS" (listing "Administrator" with a count of 0), "LAST 5 UNIQUE EVENTS", and "ANALYST CLASSIFIED EVENTS" with a list of event types and their counts, all showing 0.

Congratulations!

New chapters about configuration will be added soon.

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