Initialization: init

- The init process is always the first started (has a PID of 1) and will remain running until the system is shut down
- With init running, the kernel moves to the background awaiting system calls
 - init's first step is to invoke /etc/inittab
 - this script's responsibility is to establish the default runlevel to start in (usually runlevel 5)
 - this file may have other commands as well (see the next slide)

Initialization: runlevels

| Run Level | Name | Common Usage |
|--------------|---|--|
| 0 | Halt | Shuts down the system; not used in inittab as it would immediately shut down on initialization. |
| 1 | Single-user mode | Useful for administrative tasks including unmounting partitions and reinstalling portions of the OS; when used, only root access is available. |
| 2 | Multi-user mode | In multi-user mode, Linux allows users other than root to log in. In this case, network services are not started so that the user is limited to access via the console only. |
| 3 | Multi-user mode with Networking | Commonly used mode for servers or systems that do not require graphical interface. |
| 4 | Not used | For special/undefined purposes. |
| 5 | Multi-user mode with Networking and GUI | Most common mode for a Linux workstation. |
| 6 | Reboot | Reboots the system; not used in inittab because it would reboot repeatedly. |

Initialization: rc

The following is the listing for /etc/rc5.d

These are symbolic links to the actual scripts in /etc/init.d to start and stop The various services for runlevel 5

K01smartd K02oddjobd K05wdaemon K10psacct K10saslauthd K15httpd K50dnsmasq K50netconsole K50snmpd K50snmptrapd K69rpcsvcqssd K73ypbind K74ntpd K75ntpdate K75quota nld

K80kdump K84wpa_supplicant K87restorecond K88sssd K89rdisc K95firstboot K99rngd S01sysstat S02lvm2-monitor S08ip6tables S08iptables S10network S11auditd S11portreserve S12rsyslog

S13cpuspeed S13irqbalance S13rpcbind S15mdmonitor S22messagebus S23NetworkManager S24avahi-daemon S24nfslock S24rpcgssd S24rpcgssd S24rpcidmapd S25cups S25netfs S26acpid S26haldaemon S26udev-post S28autofs S30nfs S50bluetooth S55sshd S70spice-vdagentd S80postfix S82abrt-ccpp S82abrtd S82abrt-oops S90crond S95atd S99certmonger S99local

Services

- A piece of OS code used to handle requests
- Services are divided into different categories
- Services have distinct features from other OS components or servers
 - Run in the background
 - Handle requests that could come in from different types of sources (user, application software, system software, network message, hardware)
 - They are configurable
 - Services can be started or stopped as desired

Services: Categories

- boot
- file system
- hardware
- language support
- logging
- network, web/Internet
- power management
- scheduling
- system maintenance

Services: Notable Ones in CentOS

| Name | Туре | Description |
|-------------------|------------------|---|
| acpi | power management | laptop battery fan monitor |
| acpid | event handling | handles acpi events |
| anacron | scheduling | for scheduling startup tasks at initialization time |
| apmd | power management | laptop power management |
| arpwatch | web/Internet | logs remote IP addresses with hostnames |
| atd | scheduling | executes at jobs based on a scheduled time and |
| | | batch jobs based CPU load |
| auditd | logging | the Linux auditing system daemon which logs |
| | | system, software and user-generated events |
| autofs | file system | automatically mounts file systems at |
| | | initialization |
| bluetooth | hardware | bluetooth service |
| certmonger | web/Internet | maintain up-to-date security certificates |
| cpufreq, cpufreqd | hardware | configures and scales CPU frequency to reduce |
| | | possible CPU overheating |

| Name | Туре | Description |
|---------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| crond | scheduling | the daemon for handling cronttab jobs |
| cups | hardware | service for printing |
| cvs | system | managing multi-user documents |
| dhcpd | web/Internet | configure DHCP access |
| dnsmasq | web/Internet | starts/stops DNS caching |
| gpm | hardware | mouse driver |
| haldaemon | hardware | monitors for new or removed hardware |
| httpd | web/Internet | the Apache web server |
| iptables, ip6tables | web/Internet | the Linux firewalls |
| mdadm | file system | manages software for RAID |
| named | web/Internet | starts/stops the BIND program (DNS) |
| netfs | file system | allows remote mounting |
| netplugd | network | monitors network interface |
| network | network | starts and stops network access |
| nfs | file system | enables network file system sharing |
| nscd | network | password and group lookup service |

| Name | Туре | Description |
|---------|-------------|---|
| oddjobd | system | fields requests from software that otherwise do |
| | | not have access to needed Linux operations |
| postfix | network | mail service |
| prelude | network | intrusion detection system service |
| rdisc | network | discovers routers on local subnet |
| rsync | file system | allows remote mounting of file systems |
| smartd | hardware | monitors SMART devices, particularly hard |
| | | drives |
| snmpd | network | network management protocol for small |
| | | networks |
| sshd | network | service to permit ssh access |
| syslog | logging | system logging |
| ypbind | network | name server for NIS/YP networks |

Services: Starting and Stopping

- You can establish which runlevels a service is started or stopped for in three ways
 - By altering the symbolic links in the rc#.d directories (e.g., change S11auditd to K88auditd)
- Using the chkconfig command
 - Without arguments, it lists for all services the runlevels that the service starts and stops in
 - Use arguments as in --level levelnumber service start/stop
 - Use the Service Configuration Manager (see next slide)
 - this GUI tool does not actually allow you to configure a service, just start or stop or change the runlevels that it starts and stops

Services: Starting and Stopping

Select a service

Click on Start, Stop, Restart

Click Enable/Disable to indicate that the service should be started or stopped for this runlevel

Select Customize to change start/stop runlevels (only permits runlevels 2-5)

| Service Configuration _ 🗆 × | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| Program Service Help | | | | | |
| Enable Disable | Image: Start Stop | Restart Help | | | |
| Name | Remarks | The NetworkManager service is started once, usually when the system is | | | |
| 🕬 剩 abrtd | Saves segfault data, kernel oopses, f | booted, runs in the background and wakes up when needed. | | | |
| 🔵 剩 acpid | start and stop acpid | This service is enabled. | | | |
| 🕬 減 atd | Starts/stop the "at" daemon | A This service is running. | | | |
| 🔵 🗐 auditd | | Description | | | |
| 🕮 減 autofs | Automounts filesystems on demand | NetworkManager is a tool for easily managing network connections | | | |
| 🕮 減 avahi-daemon | Starts the Avahi Daemon | | | | |
| 🖼 🕼 bluetooth | Trigger bluetoothd start-up | | | | |
| 🕮 🐗 certmonger | Certificate monitor and PKI enrollmer | | | | |
| 🕮 🌒 cpuspeed | processor frequency scaling support | | | | |
| 🔵 剩 crond | run cron daemon | | | | |
| 🔵 剩 cups | The CUPS scheduler | | | | |
| cvs | | | | | |
| 🔵 🏽 dnsmasq | | | | | |
| 🔵 剩 firstboot | Starts the firstboot configuration proc | | | | |
| 📾 剩 haldaemon | | | | | |
| 🔵 🏽 httpd | start and stop Apache HTTP Server | | | | |
| 🔘 剩 ip6tables | start and stop ip6tables firewall | | | | |
| 🔵 剩 iptables | start and stop iptables firewall | | | | |
| 📾 🍘 irqbalance | start and stop irqbalance daemon | | | | |
| 🔵 🏽 kdump | start and stop kdump crash recovery | | | | |
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Services: Starting and Stopping

- You can start and stop services from the command line
 - /sbin/service servicename command
 - command is one of start, stop, restart, status
 - Or /etc/init.d/servicename command as in /etc/init.d/auditd start
 - If you are in /etc/init.d, you can also do this as
 ./auditd start
- The files in /etc/init.d are not the services but are scripts used to start and stop services
 - We explore some portions of the atd script next

Services: a Closer Look

- auditd the Linux auditing system daemon
 - Logs entries based on activities that match rules defined in auditd's rule file (/etc/sysconfig/audit.rules)
 - Rules use options to specify the type of event and specific criteria as shown in the table below

| Syntax | Meaning | |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| -D | Delete any previously defined rules | |
| -b # | # is a number, establish # buffers, e.g., -b 1024 | |
| - f # | Set failure flag to # (0 is silent, 1 is print failure messages, 2 is panic or halt the system) | |
| -w directory | Log attempts to access the directory | |
| -w filename | Log attempts to access the file | |
| -w filename –p [rwxa]* | Log attempts to read file (r), write to file (w), execute file (x), or change file's attributes (a). | |
| | The * indicates that any combination of the options r, w, x, and a can be listed. | |
| -a action,list –S syscall | Log system calls; action is either always or never, list is one of task, entry, exit, user or | |
| -F field=value | exclude. The -S option allows you to specify a Linux operation such as chmod, mkdir or | |
| | mount. The –F option allow you to fine-tune the match by testing some system or user parameters such as EUID | |
| | | |