Lab 7: Systemd and Package managers

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Assignment Report

SD-01

. Questions to Answer:

- 1. Take the systemd unit graphical.target as your starting point, start tracing backwards using only the Requires variable. At what systemd unit do you reach a dead end where there is no more Requires variable?
 - Provide brief explanation for each of the systemd units you encounter while performing this trace.
 - The unit at this dead end Wants some systemd units. Why does it want these units?

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl show graphical.target -p Requires
Requires=multi-user.target
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl show multi-user.target -p Requires
Requires=basic.target
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl show basic.target -p Requires
Requires=sysinit.target -.mount
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl show sysint.target -p Requires
Requires=
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$
```

Explanation:

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl show graphical.target -p Requires Requires=multi-user.target
```

graphical.target: This is the target used for graphical sessions. It requires multi-user.target to ensure the system is in a multi-user state before starting the graphical environment.

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl show multi-user.target -p Requires
Requires=basic.target
```

multi-user.target: This target is used for multi-user systems (non-graphical). It requires basic.target to ensure basic system services are running.

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ systemctl show basic.target -p Requires Requires=sysinit.target -.mount

basic.target: This target ensures basic system functionality. It requires sysinit.target to ensure the system initialization is complete.

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ systemctl show sysint.target -p Requires
Requires=

sysinit.target: This target is responsible for system initialization. It does not have any Requires dependencies, so this is the dead end.

sysinit.target: This is the dead end where there are no more Requires dependencies. However, sysinit.target Wants several units (like udev.service, systemd-tmpfiles-setup.service) to ensure the system is properly initialized. These units are not strictly required but are desired for proper system functionality.

- 2. Create a simple web server in bash that shows the following: system uptime, inode usage, current memory, disk space usage statistics, and the last 15 lines of /var/log/syslog.
 - The required information should be queried from the server everytime a user opens or refreshes the page.
 - You do not need to save the results anywhere. Users only need live updates when the server is visited.
 - The results should be displayed on a single page in an orderly manner that is easy to read.
 - Create a systemd service on your system to run this script (web server). Show how you can start your new service, and configure it to run after system reboot.
 - Your systemd service should restart the web server if the web server crashes or is killed.
 - This service is allowed to use a maximum of 15% of the CPU and 256MB memory.

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ sudo nano /usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh

```
GNU nano 6.2
                                                                 /usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh *
PORT=8080
generate_page() {
   echo -e "HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\nContent-Type: text/html\r\n\r\n"
   echo "<html><body>"
   echo "<h1>System Information</h1>"
   echo ""
   echo "<b>Uptime:</b>"
   uptime
   echo "<b>Inode Usage:</b>"
   df -i
   echo "<b>Memory Usage:</b>"
   free -h
   echo "<b>Disk Space Usage:</b>"
   df -h
   echo "<b>Last 15 lines of /var/log/syslog:</b>"
   tail -n 15 /var/log/syslog
   echo "'
   echo "</body></html>"
echo "Starting web server on port $PORT..."
while true; do
   (generate page) | nc -l -p $PORT -q 1
```

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ sudo chmod +x /usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo /usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh
[sudo] password for allimi:
Starting web server on port 8080...
GET / HTTP/1.1
Host: localhost:8080
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:136.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/136.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br, zstd
DNT: 1
Connection: keep-alive
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: cross-site
Priority: u=0, i
Pragma: no-cache
Cache-Control: no-cache
```

System Information

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/webinfo.service
[sudo] password for allimi:
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$

CPUQuote is 15% and Maximum Memory is 256MB

```
GNU nano 6.2 /etc/systemd/system/webinfo.service *

[Unit]
Description=Simple Web Server for System Information
After=network.target

[Service]
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh
Restart=always
RestartSec=5
CPUQuota=15%
MemoryMax=256M

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target
```

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo systemctl daemon-reload
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo systemctl enable webinfo.service
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/webinfo.service →/etc/systemd/system/webinfo.service.
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo systemctl start webinfo.service
```

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo systemctl status webinfo.service
webinfo.service - Simple Web Server for System Information
     Loaded: loaded (/etc/systemd/system/webinfo.service; e>
     Active: active (running) since Mon 2025-03-10 21:15:04>
   Main PID: 6004 (webinfo.sh)
      Tasks: 2 (limit: 4586)
     Memory: 640.0K (max: 256.0M available: 255.3M)
        CPU: 64ms
     CGroup: /system.slice/webinfo.service
               -6004 /bin/bash /usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh
               -6006 nc -l -p 8080 -q 1
мар 10 21:15:04 Ubuntu systemd[1]: Started Simple Web Serve>
мар 10 21:15:04 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6004]: Starting web serve>
lines 1-13/13 (END)...skipping...
webinfo.service - Simple Web Server for System Information
     Loaded: loaded (/etc/systemd/system/webinfo.service; enabled; vendor preset: enabled)
     Active: active (running) since Mon 2025-03-10 21:15:04 MSK; 1min 25s ago
   Main PID: 6004 (webinfo.sh)
      Tasks: 2 (limit: 4586)
     Memory: 640.0K (max: 256.0M available: 255.3M)
        CPU: 64ms
     CGroup: /system.slice/webinfo.service
               -6004 /bin/bash /usr/local/bin/webinfo.sh
              └-6006 nc -l -p 8080 -q 1
map 10 21:15:04 Ubuntu systemd[1]: Started Simple Web Server for System Information.
map 10 21:15:04 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6004]: Starting web server on port 8080...
```

Result:

System Information

```
Uptime: 21:24:06 up 1:00, 2 users, load average: 0,36, 0,79, 0,86
                                                                                           Inodes IUsed IFree IUse% Mounted of 499177 991 498186 1% /run 1605632 267028 1338604 17% / 1499176 1% /dev/shm
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      Filesystem
      tmpfs
      /dev/sda3
      tmnfs
                                                                                                                                                    1 499176
4 499173
      tmpfs
tmpfs
efivarfs
/dev/sda2
                                                                                                 499177
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     /dev/sr0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           - /media/allimi/VBox GAs 7.0.10
   Memory Usage:
                                                                                         total
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       shared buff/cache available
101Mi 1,8Gi 1,7Gi
                                                                                                                                                              1,8Gi
1,0Mi
     Disk Space Usage:
                                                                                              | No. 
      Filesystem
      tmpfs
        /dev/sda3
      /dev/sda2
        tmpfs
     /dev/sr0
Last 15 lines of /var/log/syslog:

Mar 10 21:24:03 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: #015

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: #015

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: #015

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Most: localhost:8080

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Most: localhost:8080

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Accept: Mosilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:136.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/136.0

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Accept-Language: en-G8,en;q=0.5

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Accept-Language: en-G8,en;q=0.5

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Ubgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Sec-Fetch-User: 71

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Sec-Fetch-User: 71

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Sec-Fetch-User: 71

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: Prority: u=0, i

Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6430]: #015
     Mar 10 21:24:05 Ubuntu webinfo.sh[6439]: #015
```

3. Why should System Administrators prefer apt upgrade over apt full-upgrade?

apt upgrade: This command upgrades all installed packages to their latest versions but does not remove any packages. It is safer because it avoids potential conflicts or unintended removals of packages.

apt full-upgrade: This command upgrades packages and may remove or install new packages to resolve dependencies. It is more aggressive and can lead to unintended changes in the system.

System administrators prefer apt upgrade because it minimizes the risk of breaking the system by avoiding unnecessary package removals.

- 4. Create an Ubuntu package that meets the following requirements:
 - The package creates the directory /var/helloworld/ on the target system.
 - The package contains the python script /var/helloworld/helloworld.py. The python script is simple:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
print("Hello, World!")
```

• The package should deploy a bash script helloworld that executes /var/helloworld/hello.py on the target system.

Take the following steps after building the package

- List the content of the package with the command \$ dpkg -c
 <package-name>.deb.
- Install the package and show all artifacts added to your system by the package.

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ mkdir -p helloworld-pkg/DEBIAN helloworld-pkg/var/helloworld helloworld-pkg/usr/local/bin allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ nano helloworld-pkg/DEBIAN/control

```
GNU nano 6.2
                            helloworld-pkg/DEBIAN/control *
Package: helloworld
Version: 1.0
Architecture: all
Maintainer: Ahmed <3llimi69@gmail.com>
Description: A simple Hello World package.
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ nano helloworld-pkg/var/helloworld/helloworld.py
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ chmod +x helloworld-pkg/var/helloworld/helloworld.py
print("Hello, World!")
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ nano helloworld-pkg/usr/local/bin/helloworld
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ chmod +x helloworld-pkg/usr/local/bin/helloworld
var/helloworld/helloworld.py
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ dpkg-deb --build helloworld-pkg
dpkg-deb: building package 'helloworld' in 'helloworld-pkg.deb'.
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ dpkg -c helloworld-pkg.deb
drwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
                            0 2025-03-10 22:12 ./
drwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
                            0 2025-03-10 22:12 ./usr/
                            0 2025-03-10 22:12 ./usr/local/
drwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
                            0 2025-03-10 22:18 ./usr/local/bin/
drwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
-rwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
                           42 2025-03-10 22:18 ./usr/local/bin/helloworld
                            0 2025-03-10 22:12 ./var/
drwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
                            0 2025-03-10 22:15 ./var/helloworld/
drwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
-rwxr-xr-x allimi/allimo
                           46 2025-03-10 22:15 ./var/helloworld/helloworld.py
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo dpkg -i helloworld-pkg.deb
[sudo] password for allimi:
Selecting previously unselected package helloworld.
(Reading database ... 238909 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack helloworld-pkg.deb ...
Unpacking helloworld (1.0) ...
Setting up helloworld (1.0) ...
```

Testing:

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ dpkg -L helloworld
/.
/usr
/usr/local
/usr/local/bin
/usr/local/bin/helloworld
/var
/var/helloworld
/var/helloworld/helloworld.py
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ helloworld
Hello, World!
```

Bonus:

- **5.** Create a custom target in /etc/systemd/system/<your_target>.target.
 - Add a description of the target file.
 - Create a directory /etc/systemd/system/<your_target>.wants/
 - Create sylinks to additional services you wish to enable in this new directory. It should be a symlink to services from /usr/lib/systemd/system/ that you wish to enable.

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/point.target

```
GNU nano 6.2 /etc/systemd/system/point.target *

[Unit]

Description=Custom Target for Specific Services

Requires=multi-user.target

After=multi-user.target

AllowIsolate=yes
```

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ sudo ln -s /usr/lib/systemd/system/nginx.service /etc/systemd/system/point.target.wants/nginx.service allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ sudo ln -s /usr/lib/systemd/system/ssh.service /etc/systemd/system/point.target.wants/ssh.service

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ sudo systemctl set-default point.target
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/default.target →/etc/systemd/system/point.target.
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl get-default
point.target
```

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ cat /etc/systemd/system/point.target
[Unit]
Description=Custom Target for Specific Services
Requires=multi-user.target
After=multi-user.target
AllowIsolate=yes
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ ls -l /etc/systemd/system/point.target.wants/
total 0
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 37 map 10 22:34 nginx.service -> /usr/lib/systemd/system/nginx.service
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 35 map 10 22:34 ssh.service -> /usr/lib/systemd/system/ssh.service
allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop$ systemctl get-default
point.target
```

6. Sometimes you might have access to an open-source application source code but might not have the RPM file to install it on your system. In that situation, you can either compile the source code and install the application from source code or build an RPM file from source code by yourself and use the RPM file to install the application. There might also be a situation where you want to build a custom RPM package for the application that you developed.

Create an RPM package to deploy any application of your choice.

Setting Up The Environment:

```
alliestendent: //newtone/s sudo apt update
Hit12 http://to.orchive.ubunto.com/ubunts jamny.scurity indelease
Hit13 http://to.orchive.ubunto.com/ubunts jamny.padates: Indelease
Hit13 http://to.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubunts.jamny.padates: Indelease
Hit13 http://to.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny.padates: Indelease
Hit13 http://to.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny.padates: Indelease
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Hit14 http://to.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny.padates
Journales.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny/nain.and64 debugedit Indelease
Journales.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny/nain.and64 debugedit Indelease
Get1 http://to.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny/nain.and64 debugedit Indelease
Get1 http://to.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny/nain.and64 debugedit Journales.orchive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu.jamny/nain.and64 debugedit Journales.orchi
```

Defining Specs:

allimi@Ubuntu:~/Desktop\$ nano ~/rpmbuild/SPECS/myapp.spec

```
GNU nano 6.2
                                                                                                                                       /home/allimi/rpmbuild/SPECS/myapp.spec *
                        myapp
1.0
1%{?dist}
A simple Python application
Version:
Release:
Summary:
License:
                         GPLv3
                        https://example.com
myapp-1.0.tar.gz
Source0:
BuildArch:
BuildRequires: python3
%description
This is a simple Python application that prints "Hello, World!".
%prep
%setup -q
mkdir -p %{buildroot}/usr/local/bin
mkdir -p %{buildroot}/usr/local/share/myapp
install -m 755 myapp.py %{buildroot}/usr/local/bin/myapp
echo "This is a sample file." > %{buildroot}/usr/local/share/myapp/sample.txt
%files
/usr/local/bin/myapp
/usr/local/share/myapp/sample.txt
%changelog
* Mon Mar 10 2025 Your Ahmed <3llimi69@gmail.com> - 1.0-1
- Initial package.
```

Building:

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$ rpmbuild -ba ~/rpmbuild/SPECS/myapp.spec
Executing(%prep): /bin/sh -e /var/tmp/rpm-tmp.ZX6Hre
  umask 022
   umdax 022
cd /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILD
cd /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILD
rm -rf myapp-1.0
/bin/tar -xof -
    /bin/gzip -dc /home/allimi/rpmbuild/SOURCES/myapp-1.0.tar.gz
    STATUS=0
    [ 0 -ne 0 ]
    cd myapp-1.0
    /bin/chmod -Rf a+rX,u+w,g-w,o-w .
    RPM EC=0
   jobs -p
    exit 0
Executing(%install): /bin/sh -e /var/tmp/rpm-tmp.PTCNSH
   umask 022
    cd /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILD
    /bin/rm -rf /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64
/bin/mkdir -p /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT
/bin/mkdir /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64
    cd myapp-1.0
   cd myapp-1.0

mkdir -p /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64/usr/local/bin

mkdir -p /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64/usr/local/share/myapp

install -m 755 myapp.py /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64/usr/local/bin/myapp

echo This is a sample file.

/usr/lib/rpm/brp-compress /usr
/usr/lib/rpm/brp-elfperms
/usr/lib/rpm/brp-elfperms
   /usr/lib/rpm/brp-strip /usr/bin/strip
/usr/lib/rpm/brp-strip-static-archive /usr/bin/strip
/usr/lib/rpm/brp-strip-comment-note /usr/bin/strip /usr/bin/objdump
    /usr/lib/rpm/brp-remove-la-files
Processing files: myapp-1.0-1.noarch
Provides: myapp = 1.0-1
Requires(rpmlib): rpmlib(CompressedFileNames) <= 3.0.4-1 rpmlib(FileDigests) <= 4.6.0-1 rpmlib(PayloadFilesHavePrefix) <= 4.0-1
Requires: /usr/bin/env
Checking for unpackaged file(s): /usr/lib/rpm/check-files /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64
Wrote: /home/allimi/rpmbuild/SRPMS/myapp-1.0-1.src.rpm
Wrote: /home/allimi/rpmbuild/RPMS/noarch/myapp-1.0-1.noarch.rpm
Executing(%clean): /bin/sh -e /var/tmp/rpm-tmp.fGQe43
  umask 022
  cd /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILD
 cd myapp-1.0
   /bin/rm -rf /home/allimi/rpmbuild/BUILDROOT/myapp-1.0-1.x86_64
    RPM_EC=0
   jobs -p
exit 0
```

Testing and Showing Proof:

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$ rpm -qlp ~/rpmbuild/RPMS/noarch/myapp-1.0-1.noarch.rpm
/usr/local/bin/myapp
/usr/local/share/myapp/sample.txt
```

```
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$ sudo alien ~/rpmbuild/RPMS/noarch/myapp-1.0-1.noarch.rpm
myapp_1.0-2_all.deb generated
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$ sudo dpkg -i myapp_1.0-2_all.deb
Selecting previously unselected package myapp.
(Reading database ... 240846 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack myapp_1.0-2_all.deb ...
Unpacking myapp (1.0-2) ...
Setting up myapp (1.0-2) ...
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$ which myapp
/usr/local/bin/myapp
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$ myapp
Hello, World! This is my custom application.
allimi@Ubuntu:~/myapp$
```