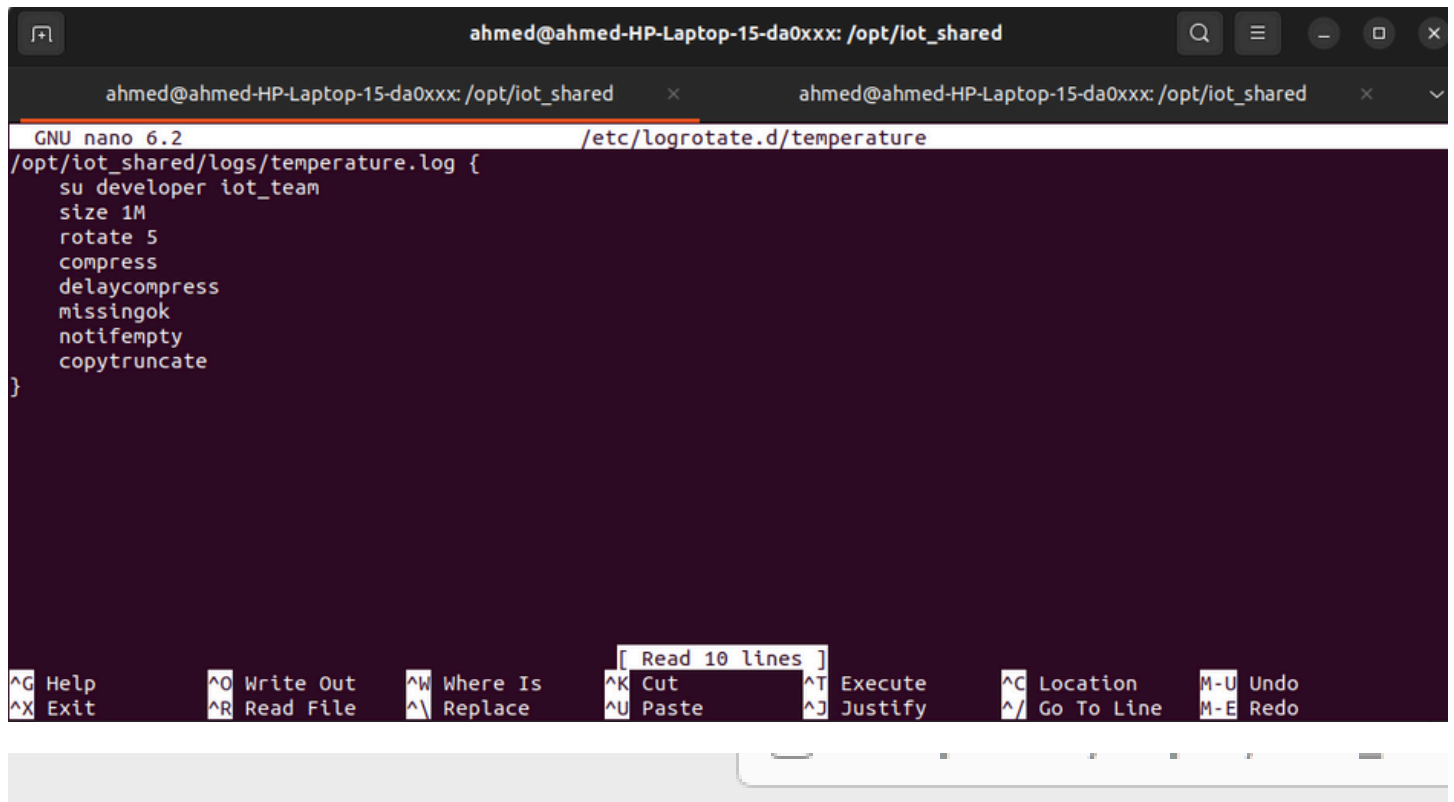


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### DAY6

- Configure log rotation for temperature.log (rotate at 1 MB, compress).
- Test by forcing a rotation.



The screenshot shows a terminal window with the title bar "ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx: /opt/iot\_shared". The terminal is running the GNU nano 6.2 editor, editing the file "/etc/logrotate.d/temperature". The content of the file is as follows:

```
/opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log {  
    su developer iot_team  
    size 1M  
    rotate 5  
    compress  
    delaycompress  
    missingok  
    notifempty  
    copytruncate  
}
```

The bottom of the terminal shows the nano editor's status bar with various keyboard shortcuts: ^G Help, ^O Write Out, ^W Where Is, ^K Cut, ^T Execute, ^C Location, M-U Undo, ^X Exit, ^R Read File, ^\_ Replace, ^U Paste, ^J Justify, ^\_/ Go To Line, M-E Redo. A prompt "[ Read 10 lines ]" is visible in the center of the status bar.



temperature.log



temperature.log.1

```

ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ sudo logrotate -v /etc/logrotate.d/temperature
reading config file /etc/logrotate.d/temperature
Reading state from file: /var/lib/logrotate/status
Allocating hash table for state file, size 64 entries
Creating new state
Creating new state
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```

Handling 1 logs

```

rotating pattern: /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log 1048576 bytes (5 rotations)
empty log files are not rotated, old logs are removed
switching euid from 0 to 1001 and egid from 0 to 1001 (pid 10942)
considering log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log
  Now: 2025-09-05 17:13
  Last rotated at 2025-09-05 16:00
  log needs rotating
rotating log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log, log->rotateCount is 5
dateext suffix '-20250905'
glob pattern '-[0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9]'
previous log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.1 does not exist
renaming /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.5.gz to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.6.gz (rotatecount 5, logs
tart 1, i 5),
old log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.5.gz does not exist
renaming /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.4.gz to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.5.gz (rotatecount 5, logs
tart 1, i 4),
old log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.4.gz does not exist
renaming /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.3.gz to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.4.gz (rotatecount 5, logs
tart 1, i 3),
old log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.3.gz does not exist
renaming /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.2.gz to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.3.gz (rotatecount 5, logs
tart 1, i 2),
old log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.2.gz does not exist
renaming /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.1.gz to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.2.gz (rotatecount 5, logs
tart 1, i 1),
old log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.1.gz does not exist
renaming /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.0.gz to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.1.gz (rotatecount 5, logs
tart 1, i 0),
old log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.0.gz does not exist
log /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.6.gz doesn't exist -- won't try to dispose of it
copying /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log to /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log.1
truncating /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log
switching euid from 1001 to 0 and egid from 1001 to 0 (pid 10942)

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```

- Schedule the Python script to run every 5 minutes with cron.
- Verify log growth over time.

```

ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ crontab -e
no crontab for ahmed - using an empty one

Select an editor. To change later, run 'select-editor'.
 1. /bin/nano          <---- easiest
 2. /usr/bin/vim.basic
 3. /usr/bin/vim.tiny
 4. /usr/bin/code
 5. /bin/ed

Choose 1-5 [1]: 1
crontab: installing new crontab
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ crontab -l
# Edit this file to introduce tasks to be run by cron.
#
# Each task to run has to be defined through a single line
# indicating with different fields when the task will be run
# and what command to run for the task
#
# To define the time you can provide concrete values for
# minute (m), hour (h), day of month (dom), month (mon),
# and day of week (dow) or use '*' in these fields (for 'any').
#
# Notice that tasks will be started based on the cron's system

```

before 5 min the size of log is 356kb

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# To define the time you can provide concrete values for
# minute (m), hour (h), day of month (dom), month (mon),
# and day of week (dow) or use '*' in these fields (for 'any').
#
# Notice that tasks will be started based on the cron's system
# daemon's notion of time and timezones.
#
# Output of the crontab jobs (including errors) is sent through
# email to the user the crontab file belongs to (unless redirected).
#
# For example, you can run a backup of all your user accounts
# at 5 a.m every week with:
# 0 5 * * 1 tar -zcf /var/backups/home.tgz /home/
#
# For more information see the manual pages of crontab(5) and cron(8)
#
# m h dom mon dow   command
*/5 * * * * /usr/bin/python3 /opt/iot_shared/scripts/adjusted_sensor.py >> /opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log 2>&1
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ ls -lh /opt/iot_shared/logs/
total 1.8M
-rw-rw-r-- 1 developer iot_team 356K Sep  5 17:32 temperature.log
-rw-rw-r-- 1 developer iot_team 1.4M Sep  5 17:13 temperature.log.1
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$

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total 1.8M
-rw-rw-r-- 1 developer iot_team 383K Sep  5 17:35 temperature.log
-rw-rw-r-- 1 developer iot_team 1.4M Sep  5 17:13 temperature.log.1
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$

```

- Compress old logs into .tar.gz in data/.

```

ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ tar -czvf data/rotated_logs.tar.gz logs/temperature.log.*
logs/temperature.log.1
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ ls -l data/
total 168
-rw-rw-r-- 1 ahmed ahmed 142533 Sep  5 17:44 rotated_logs.tar.gz
-rw-r--r-- 1 ahmed ahmed 12813 Aug 31 16:26 services
-rw-rw-r-- 1 ahmed ahmed  9604 Sep  5 15:38 temperature.log
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$

```

- Simulate sending archives to /home/<username>/server/ using cp, scp, or rsync. (hint: use can use scp and copy to destination directory in another path on the same machine)

just for simulation).

```
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ cp data/rotated_logs.tar.gz ~/server
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$ ls -l ~/server
-rw-rw-r-- 1 ahmed ahmed 142533 Sep  5 17:52 /home/ahmed/server
ahmed@ahmed-HP-Laptop-15-da0xxx:/opt/iot_shared$
```

## Open-Ended Questions:

**How does cron scheduling work? Show a crontab entry to run a script every 5 minutes.**

Cron runs tasks automatically based on a time schedule defined in crontab.

Example: `* /5 * * * * /opt/iot_shared/scripts/sensor_script.py >>`

`/opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log 2>&1`

**Why do we need log rotation? Show an example logrotate config for temperature.log.**

Log rotation prevents logs from growing too large and consuming disk space.

`/opt/iot_shared/logs/temperature.log {`

`size 1M`

`rotate 5`

`compress`

`missingok`

`notifempty`

`}`

**Explain the difference between a Virtual Machine and a Container. Must containers use the same OS as the host? Why or why not?**

VMs emulate full hardware and run separate OS kernels, while containers share the host kernel.

Containers must use the same OS kernel as the host but can have different user-space libraries.

**Reflection: Which actions in this project combined multiple Linux concepts (e.g., redirection + process monitoring)? How does this apply to real IoT systems?**

- We combined redirection, permissions, background jobs, process monitoring, and cron together.
- In IoT systems, these skills help automate data collection, ensure security, and manage resources efficiently.