

Week 4 _ Linux Systems Administration

Step 1: Ensure/Double Check Permissions on Sensitive Files

1. Permissions on `/etc/shadow` should allow only `root` read and write access.
 - Command to inspect permissions: `ls -l /etc/shadow`
 - Command to set permissions (if needed): `shows at 640 will change to 600`

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/shadow
-rw-r----- 1 root shadow 2992 Dec  2 18:17 /etc/shadow
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo chmod 600 /etc/shadow
[sudo] password for sysadmin:
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/shadow
-rw----- 1 root shadow 2992 Dec  2 18:17 /etc/shadow
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

2. Permissions on `/etc/gshadow` should allow only `root` read and write access. `(640) >(600)`
 - Command to inspect permissions: `ls -l /etc/`

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/gshadow
-rw-r----- 1 root shadow 1089 Dec  2 18:16 /etc/gshadow
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

- Command to set permissions (if needed): `sudo chmod 600 /etc/gshadow`

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo chmod 600 /etc/gshadow
[sudo] password for sysadmin:
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/gshadow
-rw----- 1 root shadow 1089 Dec  2 18:16 /etc/gshadow
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

3. Permissions on `/etc/group` should allow `root` read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.

- Command to inspect permissions: `ls -l /etc/group`

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/group
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1318 Dec  2 18:16 /etc/group
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

6	4	4	644
r + w =6	r=4	r=4	

- Command to set permissions (if needed): `sudo chmod 644 group -R` (not need to change

- Permissions on `/etc/passwd` should allow `root` read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.

- Command to inspect permissions: `ls -l /etc/passwd`

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/passwd
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3202 Dec  2 18:17 /etc/passwd
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

- Command to set permissions (if needed): `no need to modify`

Step 2: Create User Accounts

- Add user accounts for `sam`, `joe`, `amy`, `sara`, and `admin`.

```
joe:x:1014:1017:,,,:/home/joe:/bin/bash
amy:x:1015:1018:,,,:/home/amy:/bin/bash
sara:x:1016:1019:,,,:/home/sara:/bin/bash
admin:x:1017:1020:,,,:/home/admin:/bin/bash
sam:x:1013:1016:,,,:/home/sam:/bin/bash
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$
```

- Command to add each user account (include all five users):
 - `sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo adduser sam`
 - `sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo adduser admin`
 - `sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo adduser sara`
 - `sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo adduser amy`
 - `sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo adduser joe`

- Ensure that only the `admin` has general `sudo` access.

- Checked all users – `sudo -IU username`

```
aldanelib:x:1012:1014:Eli Aldana,,,:/home/aldanelib:/bin/bash
joe:x:1014:1017:,,,:/home/joe:/bin/bash
amy:x:1015:1018:,,,:/home/amy:/bin/bash
sara:x:1016:1019:,,,:/home/sara:/bin/bash
admin:x:1017:1020:,,,:/home/admin:/bin/bash
sam:x:1013:1016:,,,:/home/sam:/bin/bash
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo -lU joe
User joe is not allowed to run sudo on UbuntuDesktop.
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo -lU amy
User amy is not allowed to run sudo on UbuntuDesktop.
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo -lU sara
User sara is not allowed to run sudo on UbuntuDesktop.
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo -lU sam
User sam is not allowed to run sudo on UbuntuDesktop.
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo -lU admin
Matching Defaults entries for admin on UbuntuDesktop:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin

User admin may run the following commands on UbuntuDesktop:
    (ALL) ALL
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

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3. Command to add `admin` to the `sudo` group: `sudo usermod -aG sudo admin`

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ su - admin
Password:
To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".
See "man sudo_root" for details.

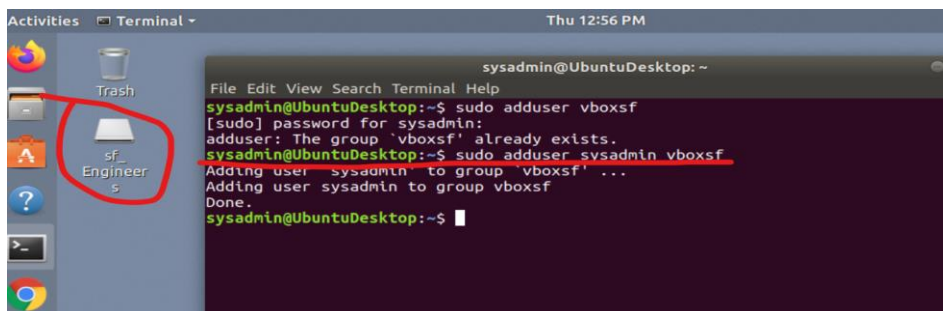
admin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

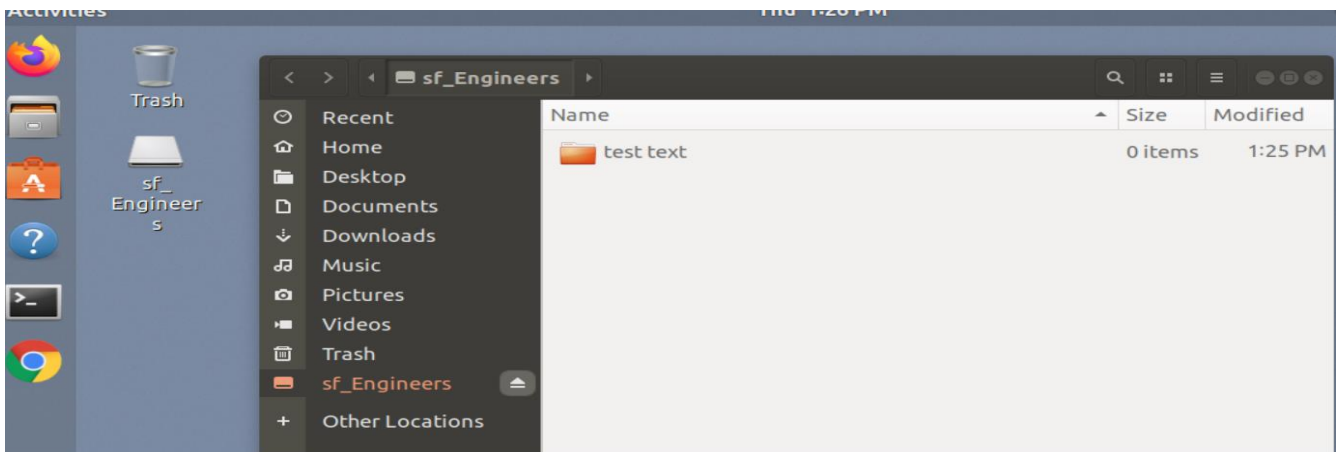
Step 3: Create User Group and Collaborative Folder

1. Add an `engineers` group to the system.
 - Command to add group: `sudo addgroup engineers`

```
admin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo addgroup engineers
[sudo] password for admin:
Sorry, try again.
[sudo] password for admin:
Adding group 'engineers' (GID 1021) ...
Done.
admin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

2. Add users `sam`, `joe`, `amy`, and `sara` to the managed group.
 - Command to add users to `engineers` group (include all four users):
 - `sudo adduser sam engineers`
 - `sudo adduser joe engineers`
 - `sudo adduser amy engineers`
 - `sudo adduser sara engineers`
3. Create a shared folder for this group at `/home/engineers`.
 - Command to create the shared folder: `sudo adduser sysadmin vboxsf`





4. Change ownership on the new engineers' shared folder to the `engineers` group.

O Command to change ownership of engineer's shared folder to engineer group:

- ```
sudo chown sam:engineers
```
- o `sudo chown joe:engineers`
  - o `sudo chown amy:engineers`
  - o `sudo chown sara:engineers`

## Step 4: Lynis Auditing

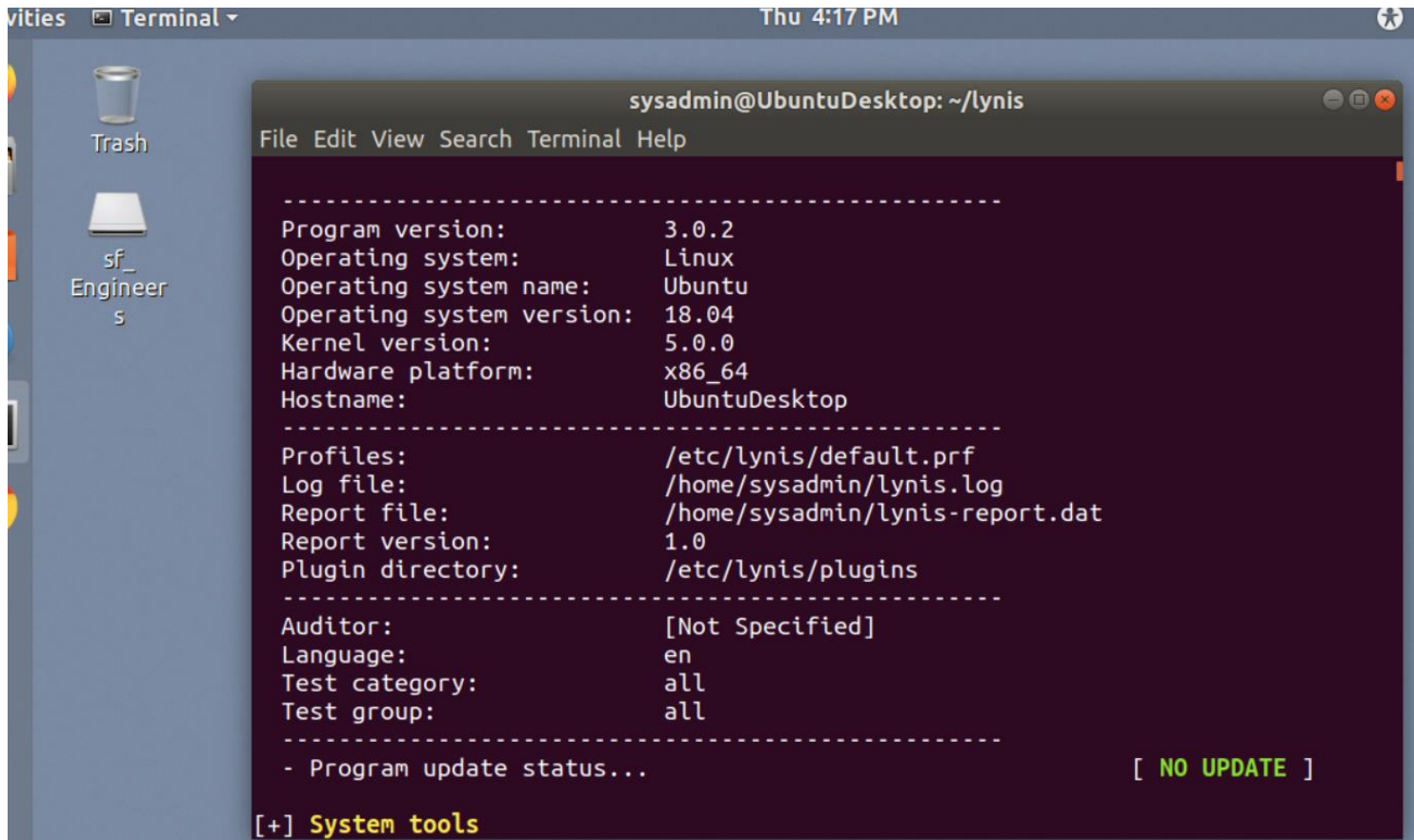
1. Command to install Lynis:

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo apt-get install lynis
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
lynis is already the newest version (2.6.2-1).
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 29 not upgraded.
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ which lynis
/usr/sbin/lynis
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```



2. Command to see documentation and instructions:
  - Command to run an audit: `$ lynis audit system`
3. Provide a report from the Lynis output on what can be done to harden the system.
  - Screenshot of report output:



```

Program version: 3.0.2
Operating system: Linux
Operating system name: Ubuntu
Operating system version: 18.04
Kernel version: 5.0.0
Hardware platform: x86_64
Hostname: UbuntuDesktop

Profiles: /etc/lynis/default.prf
Log file: /home/sysadmin/lynis.log
Report file: /home/sysadmin/lynis-report.dat
Report version: 1.0
Plugin directory: /etc/lynis/plugins

Auditor: [Not Specified]
Language: en
Test category: all
Test group: all

- Program update status... [NO UPDATE]

[+] System tools
```

## Bonus

1. Command to install chkrootkit:
  - `sudo apt-get install chkrootkit`
2. Command to see documentation and instructions:
  - `sudo chkrootkit`
3. Command to run expert mode:
  - `sudo chkrootkit`
4. Provide a report from the chrootkit output on what can be done to harden the system.
  - Screenshot of end of sample output: