

Week 5 Homework Submission File: Archiving and Logging Data

Please edit this file by adding the solution commands on the line below the prompt.

Save and submit the completed file for your homework submission.

Step 1: Create, Extract, Compress, and Manage tar Backup Archives

To Create: `tar -cf TarDocs.tar` To Extract: `tar -xf TarDocs.tar`

1. Command to **extract** the `TarDocs.tar` archive to the current directory:
*v or vv flags optional to show/verify progress
2. Command to **create** the `Javaless_Doc.tar` archive from the `TarDocs/` directory, while excluding the `TarDocs/Documents/Java` directory:
`tar -cf Javaless_Doc.tar --exclude="./Documents/Java" TarDocs/`
3. Command to ensure `Java/` is not in the new `Javaless_Docs.tar` archive:
`tar -tvf Javaless_Doc.tar | grep Java`

Bonus - Command to create an incremental archive called `logs_backup_tar.gz` with only changed files to `snapshot.file` for the `/var/log` directory:

```
tar --listed-incremental=snapshot.file -czf logs_backup_tar.gz /var/log
```

Critical Analysis Question *Ask if shortform can be used with = for incremental ie -g=snapshot.file

- Why wouldn't you use the options `-x` and `-c` at the same time with `tar` ?

`-c` is used to "create" a tar archive that did not exist, whereas `-x` is to "extract" an existing tar archive.

Step 2: Create, Manage, and Automate Cron Jobs

1. Cron job for backing up the `/var/log/auth.log` file:

```
0 6 * * 3 tar -czf /auth_backup.tgz /var/log/auth.log
```

Step 3: Write Basic Bash Scripts

1. Brace expansion command to create the four subdirectories: *"-p" flag was used to create parent directories as needed if it did not exist
`sudo mkdir -p ~/backups/{freemem,diskuse,openlist,freedisk}`

2. Paste your `system.sh` script edits below:

```
free -h > ~/backups/freemem/free_mem.txt
```

```
du -h > ~/backups/diskuse/disk_usage.txt
```

```
lsof > ~/backups/openlist/open_list.txt
```

```
df -h > ~/backups/freedisk/free_disk.txt
```

```
#!/bin/bash
[Your solution script contents here]
```

3. Command to make the `system.sh` script executable: `chmod +x system.sh`

Optional - Commands to test the script and confirm its execution:

`sudo ./system.sh` then `cd ~/backups/freemem` then `cat free_mem.txt`

Bonus - Command to copy `system` to system-wide cron directory:

`cp system.sh /etc/cron.weekly`

Step 4. Manage Log File Sizes

1. Run `sudo nano /etc/logrotate.conf` to edit the `logrotate` configuration file.

Configure a log rotation scheme that backs up authentication messages to the

`/var/log/auth.log`.

- Add your config file edits below:

[Your logrotate scheme edits here]

```
/var/log/auth.log {
    weekly
    rotate 7
    notifempty
    delaycompress
    missingok
}
```

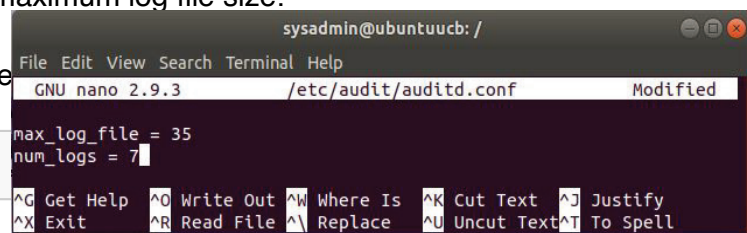
Bonus: Check for Policy and File Violations

1. Command to verify `auditd` is active: `systemctl status auditd`

2. Command to set number of retained logs and maximum log file size:

- Add the edits made to the configuration file

[Your solution edits here]



3. Command using `auditd` to set rules for `/etc/shadow`, `/etc/passwd` and

`/var/log/auth.log` : `sudo auditctl -w /etc/shadow -p wra -k hashpass_audit`

`sudo auditctl -w /etc/passwd -p wra -k userpass_audit` `sudo auditctl -w /var/log/auth.log -p wra -k authlog_audit`

- Add the edits made to the `rules` file below: `sudo nano /etc/audit/rules.d/audit.rules`

```
-w /etc/shadow -p wra -k hashpass_audit
-w /etc/passwd -p wra -k userpass_audit
-w /var/log/auth.log -p wra -k authlog_audit
```

*command to edit and set rules file

4. Command to restart `auditd` : `sudo systemctl restart auditd`

5. Command to list all `auditd` rules: `sudo auditctl -l`

6. Command to produce an audit report: `sudo aureport -au`
 7. Create a user with `sudo useradd attacker` and produce an audit report that lists account modifications: `aureport -m | grep attacker`
 8. Command to use `auditd` to watch `/var/log/cron` :
`sudo auditctl -w /var/log/cron -p wra -k cron`
 9. Command to verify `auditd` rules: `sudo auditctl -l`
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Bonus (Research Activity): Perform Various Log Filtering Techniques

1. Command to return `journalctl` messages with priorities from emergency to error:
`journalctl -p emerg..err`
2. Command to check the disk usage of the system journal unit since the most recent boot:
`journalctl --disk-usage`
3. Command to remove all archived journal files except the most recent two:
`journalctl --vacuum-files=2`
4. Command to filter all log messages with priority levels between zero and two, and save output to `/home/sysadmin/Priority_High.txt` :
`journalctl -p 0..2 >> /home/sysadmin/Priority_High.txt`
5. Command to automate the last command in a daily cronjob. Add the edits made to the crontab file below:

```
0 0 * * * journalctl -p 0..2 >> /home/sysadmin/Priority_High.txt
```

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