

DAY ONE

Pre-Hardening Steps

Day 1 Part 1: I ran the commands Hostname to see the host name. I ran uname – r to get the OS version. I ran the command free for the memory. Finally, I ran the uptime to show how long I have been in the terminal.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# uname -r
5.15.0-1067-aws
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# free
              total        used        free      shared  buff/cache   available
Mem:           16182788      1426000      11490380        209076       3266408       14193184
Swap:              0              0              0
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# uptime
 01:11:54 up 53 min,  0 users,  load average: 0.16, 0.24, 0.25
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# hostname
Baker_Street_Linux_Server
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~#
```

In Part 1, I ran the backup command given in the activity file to back up all files and directories. When it finished, I used the command ls—ahl to make sure the backup was completed. baker_street_backup.tar.gz was listed in red, which let me know that the backup was completed.

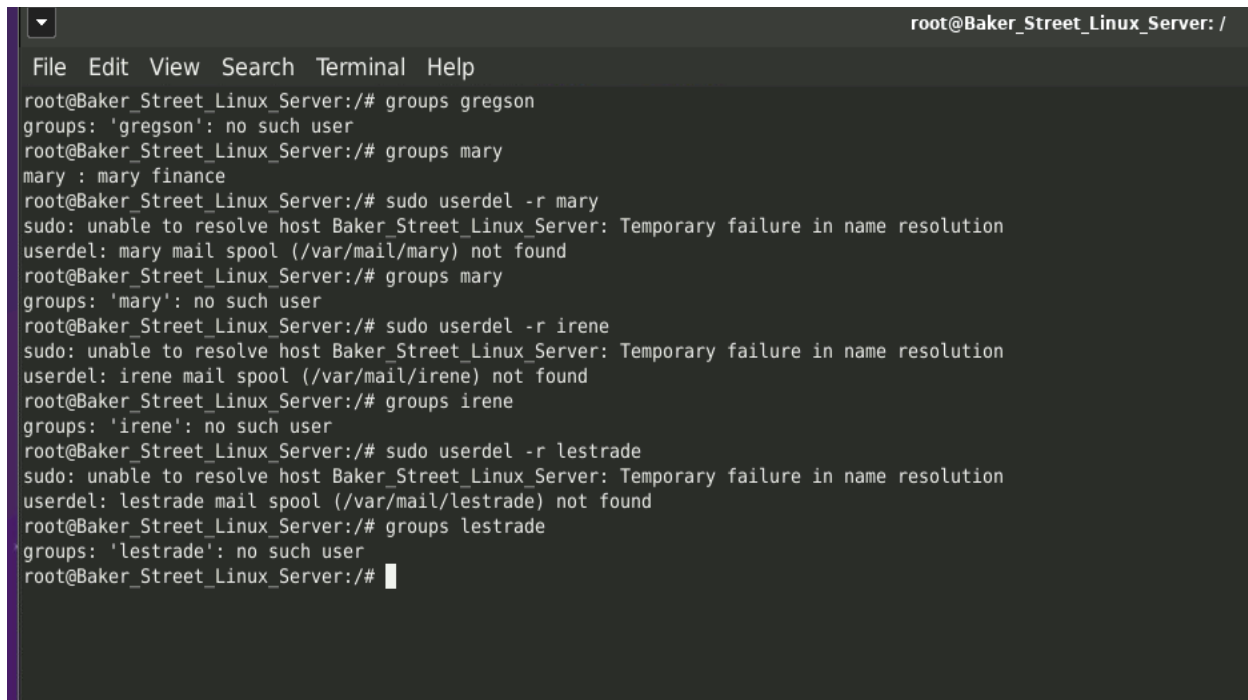
- The command i used to backup the OS : -cvpzf /baker_street_backup.tar.gz –exclude=/baker_street_backup.tar.gz –exclude=/proc --exclude=/tmp –exclude=/mnt –exclude=/sys –exclude=/dev –exclude=/run /

```
/etc/ufw/applications.d/
/etc/ufw/applications.d/samba
/etc/ufw/applications.d/openssh-server
/etc/ca-certificates.conf
/etc/perl/
/etc/perl/Net/
/etc/perl/Net/libnet.cfg
/etc/ethertypes
/etc/cron.hourly/
/etc/cron.hourly/.placeholder
/etc/dbus-1/
/etc/dbus-1/system.d/
/etc/dbus-1/session.d/
/etc/python3.10/
/etc/python3.10/sitecustomize.py
/boot/
/media/
/lib32
/sbin
/.dockerenv
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# ls -ahl
total 211M
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 00:58 .
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 00:58 ..
-rwxr-xr-x  1 root root   0 Feb 25 00:20 .dockerenv
-rw-r--r--  1 root root 211M Feb 25 00:59 baker_street_backup.tar.gz
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root   7 Sep 11 14:04 bin -> usr/bin
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root 4.0K Apr 18 2022 boot
drwxr-xr-x  5 root root 340 Feb 25 00:20 dev
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 00:20 etc
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 home
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root   7 Sep 11 14:04 lib -> usr/lib
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root   9 Sep 11 14:04 lib12 -> usr/lib32
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root   9 Sep 11 14:04 lib64 -> usr/lib64
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root  10 Sep 11 14:04 libx32 -> usr/libx32
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:04 media
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:04 mnt
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:04 opt
dr-xr-xr-x 332 root root   0 Feb 25 00:20 proc
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:07 root
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 00:20 run
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root   8 Sep 11 14:04 sbin -> usr/sbin
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:04 srv
dr-xr-xr-x 13 root root   0 Feb 25 00:18 sys
drwxrwxrwt  1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 00:20 tmp
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:04 usr
drwxr-xr-x  1 root root 4.0K Sep 11 14:07 var
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~#
```

Auditing Users and Groups

Part 2: I removed all the files and directories of all the employees who have been terminated, which are Mary, Gregson, Irene, and Lestrade. Then, I locked the employees' accounts on temporary leave, which were mrs_hudson and Moriarty. I then checked all the groups to make sure none of the employees was in the marketing department, which none of them were. I then checked the groups and went in and deleted the marketing group, which was closed earlier this year.

- When I deleted the user who had been terminated, I used the `userdel -r` (username) to make sure all the files and directories were deleted as well. To make sure the users were deleted, I ran the command `groups` with the names of terminated users Mary, Gregson, and Lestrade. (no need for me to use sudo if I'm using root, my apologies)

A terminal window titled 'root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /' with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help). The terminal shows the following commands and output:

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups gregson
groups: 'gregson': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups mary
mary : mary finance
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# sudo userdel -r mary
sudo: unable to resolve host Baker_Street_Linux_Server: Temporary failure in name resolution
userdel: mary mail spool (/var/mail/mary) not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups mary
groups: 'mary': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# sudo userdel -r irene
sudo: unable to resolve host Baker_Street_Linux_Server: Temporary failure in name resolution
userdel: irene mail spool (/var/mail/irene) not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups irene
groups: 'irene': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# sudo userdel -r lestrade
sudo: unable to resolve host Baker_Street_Linux_Server: Temporary failure in name resolution
userdel: lestrade mail spool (/var/mail/lestrade) not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups lestrade
groups: 'lestrade': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#
```

- I ran the command `passwd -S` (username) to check all the status of all employees listed. The terminated employees are shown below with “user doesn't exist” and we have two employees on the bottom that are locked out, which are Toby and Adler.
- The employees on temporary leave were Moriarty and mrs_hudson. I ran the command `passwd -l` (moriarty)(mrs_hudson) to lock their accounts. As you can see in the screenshot below, they have a L after I ran the command `passwd -S` (username) to show their account has been locked.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
[sudo] password for sysadmin:
project1_v4
sysadmin@ip-10-0-1-33:~$ sudo docker exec -it project1_v4 /bin/bash
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups mary
groups: 'mary': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups gregson
groups: 'gregson': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# groups lestrade
groups: 'lestrade': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# ls
baker_street_backup.tar.gz  etc      lib64    opt      sbin      tmp
bin                          home     libx32   proc     service_list.txt  usr
boot                        lib      media    root     srv        var
dev                         lib32    mnt      run      sys
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# ls -U
bin      lib64    mnt      root     tmp      etc      media    baker_street_backup.tar.gz
home     libx32   lib      usr      sys      proc     lib32    service_list.txt
var      opt      dev      srv      run      boot     sbin
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# cd usr
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/usr# ls
bin      include  lib32    libexec  local    share
games    lib      lib64    libx32   sbin     src
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/usr# groups lestrade
groups: 'lestrade': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/usr# groups irene
groups: 'irene': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/usr# groups mary
groups: 'mary': no such user
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/usr# cd ../
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S sherlock
sherlock P 03/05/2025 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S watsib
passwd: user 'watsib' does not exist
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S watson
watson P 03/05/2025 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S mycroft
mycroft P 03/05/2025 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S moriarty
moriarty P 03/05/2025 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S lestrade
passwd: user 'lestrade' does not exist
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S irene
passwd: user 'irene' does not exist
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S mrs_hudson
mrs hudson L 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S mary
passwd: user 'mary' does not exist
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S gregson
passwd: user 'gregson' does not exist
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S toby
toby L 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# passwd -S adler
adler L 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#
```

- I nano into /etc/shadow to remove the "!" by their hash to unlock the user account. With me deleting the "!" in their hash, they don't have a password. I ran the command passwd -S (toby and adler) and they have NP which means no password.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 shadow
root:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
daemon:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
bin:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
sys:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
sync:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
games:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
man:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
lp:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
mail:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
news:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
uucp:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
proxy:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
www-data:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
backup:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
list:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
irc:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
gnats:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
nobody:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
_apt:!:19977:0:99999:7:::
systemd-network:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
systemd-resolve:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
mysql:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
messagebus:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
systemd-timesync:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
syslog:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
sshd:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
sherlock:$y$j9T$MqZdAYKngLOmlf7fVLYPh/$VrCwtLE0M2PX65snRxxYhp0U40FCVuhh3tLzhn5E4UD:20152:0:99999:7:::
watson:$y$j9T$/A7e17.kETxLkeXvPx0RM/$DKNJltaqRYQNSIf6DLxQmWb1t97n8u0PuDQpvqFvLUC:20152:0:99999:7:::
moriarty:$y$j9T$dKbj8u0lR.KYAbe3063ME1$gKWxtTc8k/ej15E8iYpEeo9MBu4IKmHFOHJ/u6b.6M3:20152:0:99999:7:::
mycroft:$y$j9T$7qpLMqC2Yjm2Wy634lAsB0$svU0ztdDWqJaDbcNHVyRyRR56fn7014AysUgMXGVL7q6:20152:0:99999:7:::
mrs_hudson:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
sysadmin:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
toby:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
adler:!:20069:0:99999:7:::
postfix:!:20146:0:99999:7:::

^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
```



```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 shadow
root:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
bin:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
sys:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
sync:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
games:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
man:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
lp:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
mail:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
news:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
uucp:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
proxy:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
www-data:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
backup:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
list:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
irc:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
gnats:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
nobody:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
_apt:*:19977:0:99999:7:::
systemd-network:*:20069:0:99999:7:::
systemd-resolve:*:20069:0:99999:7:::
mysql:! :20069:0:99999:7:::
messagebus:*:20069:0:99999:7:::
systemd-timesync:*:20069:0:99999:7:::
syslog:*:20069:0:99999:7:::
sshd:*:20069:0:99999:7:::
sherlock:$y$j9T$MqZdAYKngl0Mlf7fVLYPh/$VrCwt1E0M2PX65snRxxYhp0U40FCVuhh3tLZhn5E4UD:20152:0:99999:7:::
watson:$y$j9T$/A7e17.kETxLkeXvPx0RM/$DKNJltaqRYQNSIf6DLxQmWb1t97n8u0PuDQpvqFvLUC:20152:0:99999:7:::
moriarty:$y$j9T$dKbj8u0LR.KYAbe3063ME1$gKWxtTc8k/ej15E8iYpEeo9MBu4IKmHF0HJ/u6b.6M3:20152:0:99999:7:::
mycroft:$y$j9T$7qpLMqC2Yjm2Wy634lAsB0$vu0ztdDWqJadbCNHvYrRR56fn7014AysUgMXGVL7q6:20152:0:99999:7:::
mrs_hudson:! :20069:0:99999:7:::
sysadmin:! :20069:0:99999:7:::
toby::20069:0:99999:7:::
adler::20069:0:99999:7:::
postfix:*:20146:0:99999:7:::

[ Read 35 lines ]
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^X Exit      ^R Read File  ^\ Replace    ^U Paste      ^J Justify
^C Location   ^M-U Undo
^_/ Go To Line ^M-E Redo
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /# passwd -S toby  
toby NP 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1  
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /# passwd -S adler  
adler NP 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1  
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /#
```

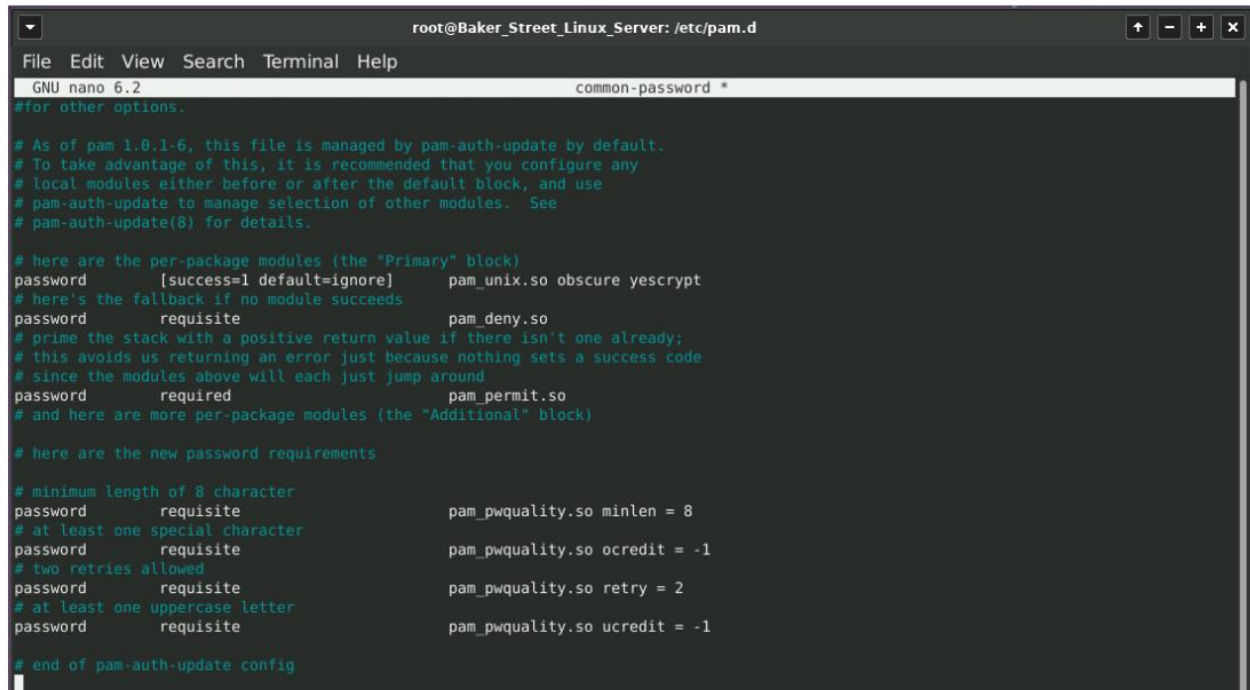
```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
GNU nano 6.2 group  
fax:x:21:  
voice:x:22:  
cdrom:x:24:  
floppy:x:25:  
tape:x:26:  
sudo:x:27:  
audio:x:29:  
dip:x:30:  
www-data:x:33:  
backup:x:34:  
operator:x:37:  
list:x:38:  
irc:x:39:  
src:x:40:  
gnats:x:41:  
shadow:x:42:  
utmp:x:43:  
video:x:44:  
sasl:x:45:  
plugdev:x:46:  
staff:x:50:  
games:x:60:  
users:x:100:  
nogroup:x:65534:  
systemd-journal:x:101:  
systemd-network:x:102:  
systemd-resolve:x:103:  
mysql:x:104:  
crontab:x:105:  
messagebus:x:106:  
systemd-timesync:x:107:  
syslog:x:108:  
rdma:x:109:  
_ssh:x:110:  
smbshare:x:111:  
sherlock:x:1000:  
watson:x:1001:  
moriarty:x:1002:  
mycroft:x:1003:  
mrs_hudson:x:1006:  
sysadmin:x:1008:  
toby:x:1010:  
adler:x:1011:  
engineering:x:1012:sherlock,watson,moriarty  
finance:x:1013:mrs_hudson  
ssl-cert:x:112:  
postfix:x:113:  
postdrop:x:114:  
research:x:1014:  
  
^G Help      ^O Write Out  ^W Where Is   ^K Cut        ^I Execute    ^C Location   M-U Undo  
^X Exit      ^R Read File  ^N Replace    ^U Paste      ^J Justify    ^_ Go To Line  M-E Redo
```

- I nano into /etc/group to see if there is a marketing department and there is not one. I created the research group.

Updating and Enforcing Password Policies

Part 3: I ran nano /etc/pam.d/common-password to edit this file. While in the file, I added a comment saying here are the new password requirements.

- So, I added the new available settings of the new password requirements, which were minlen=8, ocredit=-1, retry=2, ucredit= -1. The screenshot will provide evidence of how it was entered into the file.



```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/pam.d
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 common-password *
#for other options.

# As of pam 1.0.1-6, this file is managed by pam-auth-update by default.
# To take advantage of this, it is recommended that you configure any
# local modules either before or after the default block, and use
# pam-auth-update to manage selection of other modules.  See
# pam-auth-update(8) for details.

# here are the per-package modules (the "Primary" block)
password      [success=1 default=ignore]      pam_unix.so obscure yescrypt
# here's the fallback if no module succeeds
password      requisite                       pam_deny.so
# prime the stack with a positive return value if there isn't one already;
# this avoids us returning an error just because nothing sets a success code
# since the modules above will each just jump around
password      required                       pam_permit.so
# and here are more per-package modules (the "Additional" block)

# here are the new password requirements

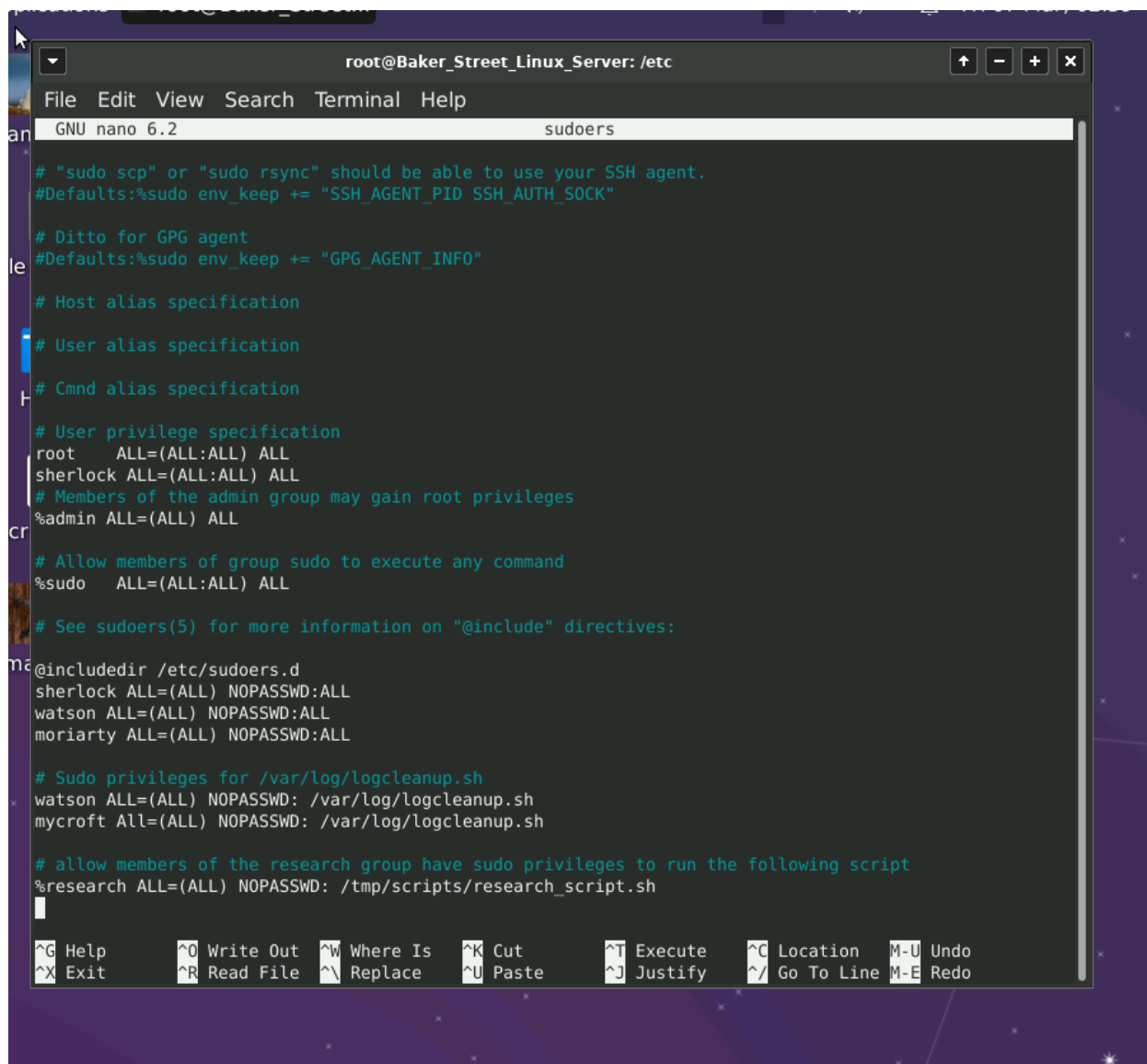
# minimum length of 8 character
password      requisite                       pam_pwquality.so minlen = 8
# at least one special character
password      requisite                       pam_pwquality.so ocredit = -1
# two retries allowed
password      requisite                       pam_pwquality.so retry = 2
# at least one uppercase letter
password      requisite                       pam_pwquality.so ucredit = -1

# end of pam-auth-update config
```

Updating and Enforcing sudo Permissions

Part 4: all evidence is provided below in the screenshot.

- I nano into /etc/sudoers to make changes to this file. The first change was giving Sherlock full sudo permissions.
- I then gave Watson and Mycroft sudo privileges to run the following script /var/log/logcleanup.sh
- I gave all the employees in the research group sudo privileges to run /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh.



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled 'root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc' with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help) and a status bar (GNU nano 6.2, sudoers). The file content is as follows:

```
# "sudo scp" or "sudo rsync" should be able to use your SSH agent.
#Defaults:%sudo env_keep += "SSH_AGENT_PID SSH_AUTH_SOCK"

# Ditto for GPG agent
#Defaults:%sudo env_keep += "GPG_AGENT_INFO"

# Host alias specification

# User alias specification

# Cmnd alias specification

# User privilege specification
root    ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
sherlock ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
# Members of the admin group may gain root privileges
%admin   ALL=(ALL) ALL

# Allow members of group sudo to execute any command
%sudo   ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL

# See sudoers(5) for more information on "@include" directives:

@include /etc/sudoers.d
sherlock ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL
watson   ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL
moriarty ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL

# Sudo privileges for /var/log/logcleanup.sh
watson   ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /var/log/logcleanup.sh
mycroft  ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /var/log/logcleanup.sh

# allow members of the research group have sudo privileges to run the following script
%research ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh
```

The bottom of the window shows a row of 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.

Updating Permissions on Files and Directories

Part 5:

- I went to the home directory, ran the ls command to see all the users/employees. I would change the directory into one of the user/employee and use the ls -ahl command to get a long listing of everything in their directory.
 - I found certain scripts in certain user groups that they were not a part of. I had to change the ownership (chown) and change the permissions to make sure the right people had the right access to those scripts.
 - I went to watson home directory and ran the ls -ahl command to see the full listing. I saw he had the finance_script.sh_script1&2.sh listed.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# chown :finance Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# chmod 770 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# ls -ahl
total 36K
drwxr-x--- 1 watson watson  4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root   root    4.0K Mar  7 01:23 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 watson watson   220 Jan  6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 watson watson  3.7K Jan  6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 watson watson   807 Jan  6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_3.txt
-rwxrwx--- 1 root   finance  47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxrwx--- 1 root   finance  47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 my_file.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# cd ..
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# chown :finance Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# chmod 770 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# ls -ahl
total 36K
drwxr-x--- 1 watson watson  4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root   root    4.0K Mar  7 01:23 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 watson watson   220 Jan  6 2022 .bash_logout
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-rwxrwx--- 1 root   finance  47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root   root      0 Dec 12 07:45 my_file.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson#
```

- I changed ownership (chown) to the finance group (I used the command chown :finance Finance_script.sh_script1.sh). Used the same command for the second script.
- I then had to change the permissions (chmod) to 770 to read, write, execute so all members of the finance group can read, write, execute. Command used (chmod 770 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh). I did the same thing for the second script as well.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home/watson
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
-----
dnwrx-xr-x 1 sherlock sherlock 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
dnwrx-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 sherlock sherlock 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 sherlock sherlock 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 sherlock sherlock 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game.is.afoot.txt.1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game.is.afoot.txt.2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 my.file.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/sherlock# cd ../
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls
adler moriarty mycroft mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# cd moriarty
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/moriarty# ls -ahl
total 32K
dnwrx-xr-x 1 moriarty moriarty 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
dnwrx-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 moriarty moriarty 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 moriarty moriarty 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 moriarty moriarty 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt.1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game.is.afoot.txt.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 game.is.afoot.txt_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 game.is.afoot.txt_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 my.file.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/moriarty# cd ../
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# cd mycroft
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# ls -ahl
total 32K
dnwrx-xr-x 1 mycroft mycroft 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
dnwrx-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# chown :finance Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
chown: cannot access 'mycroft/Finance_script.sh_script1.sh': No such file or directory
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft#
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home/watson
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
-----
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# chown :finance Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# ls -ahl
bash: ls-ahl: command not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# ls -ahl
total 36K
dnwrx-xr-x 1 mycroft mycroft 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
dnwrx-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# chown 770 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# chown 770 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# ls -ahl
total 36K
dnwrx-xr-x 1 mycroft mycroft 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
dnwrx-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# cd ../
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# cd watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# ls -ahl
total 32K
dnwrx-xr-x 1 watson watson 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
dnwrx-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 watson watson 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
```

- I, cd into the adler directory ran the command ls -ahl to see the permissions and files and directories. I saw he had a script in there called Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh and script2.sh. I then used the command chown and chmod to change the permissions and change ownership.
 - The command I used was chown :engineering Engineering_script.sh_script.sh1. I did the same thing for script2.sh
 - Next command was chmod 770 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh i did the same thing for script2.sh

- These commands allowed people in the engineering group to read, write, and execute the scripts if they are assigned to these groups.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home/watson
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
/home/sysadmin/.profile
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# cd home
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls
adler moriarty mrs_hudson mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls -ahl
total 48K
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 00:58 ..
drwxr-xr-x 1 adler adler 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 adler
drwxr-xr-x 1 moriarty moriarty 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 moriarty
drwxr-xr-x 1 mrs_hudson mrs_hudson 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 mrs_hudson
drwxr-xr-x 1 mycroft mycroft 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 mycroft
drwxr-xr-x 1 sherlock sherlock 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 sherlock
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 sysadmin
drwxr-xr-x 1 toby toby 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 toby
drwxr-xr-x 1 watson watson 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls -ahl adler
total 36K
drwxr-xr-x 1 adler adler 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 46 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 46 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game_is_afoot.txt.1.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# cd ..
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls -ahl adler
total 36K
drwxr-xr-x 1 adler adler 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root engineering 46 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 46 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game_is_afoot.txt.1.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# cd ..
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# chown :engineering adler/Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls -ahl adler
total 36K
drwxr-xr-x 1 adler adler 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 3.7K Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 adler adler 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root engineering 46 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 46 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game_is_afoot.txt.1.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# cd ../../
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# cd home
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls
adler moriarty mrs_hudson mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# cd sherlock
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/sherlock# ls -ahl
total 32K
drwxr-xr-x 1 sherlock sherlock 4.0K Dec 12 07:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 25 02:09 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 sherlock sherlock 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.0.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sherlock sherlock 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc.2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sherlock sherlock 0 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt.3.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 51 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt_script1.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 51 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/sherlock# cd ../../
```

Day Two

DAY TWO

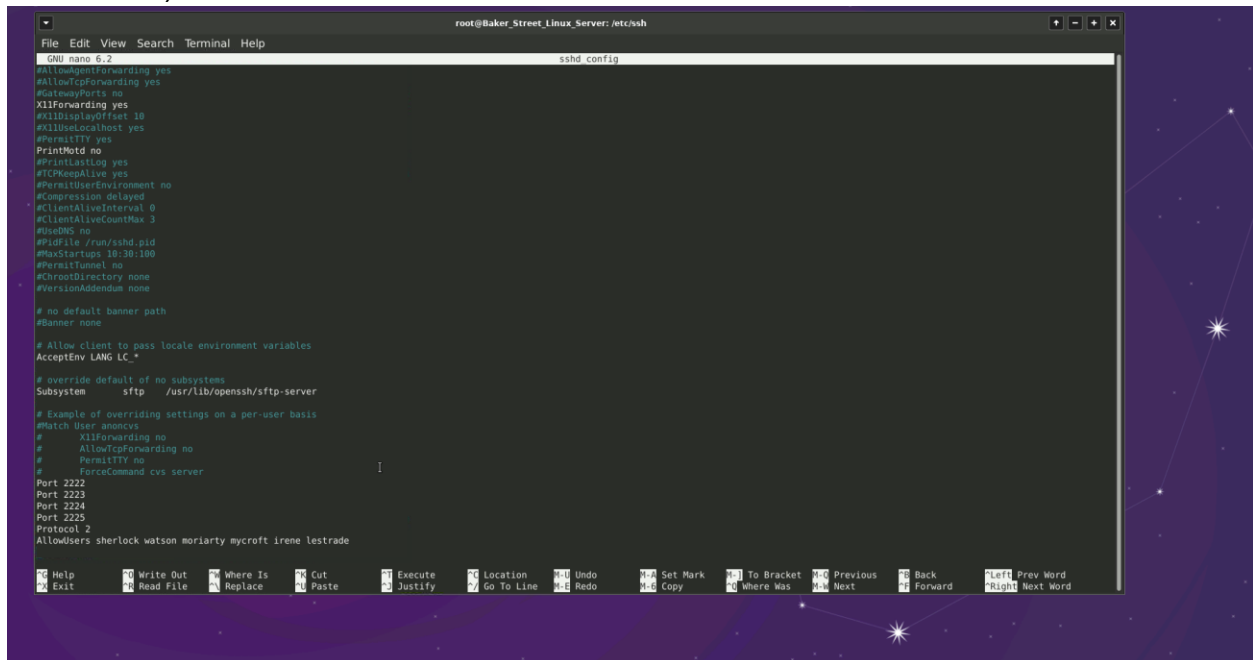
Auditing and Securing SSH

Auditing and Securing SSH:

I ran the command `nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config`. While in this file I made the changes needed.

- I disable empty password,
- disable root login,
- enable ssh protocol 2.

The screenshots will show the work that I did. Once I was done with that, I made sure I saved everything. Then I ran the command `service ssh status` to restart ssh (last screenshot).

A screenshot of a terminal window titled 'root@Baker_Streelinux_Server: /etc/ssh'. The terminal shows the nano text editor editing the 'sshd config' file. The file content includes various SSH configuration options such as 'AllowAgentForwarding', 'AllowTcpForwarding', 'X11Forwarding', 'PrintMotd', 'PrintLastLog', 'PermitTTY', 'PermitRootLogin', 'Subsystem', and 'Protocol'. The 'PermitRootLogin' is set to 'no', and 'Protocol' is set to '2'. The terminal window has a dark background with a starry pattern on the right side. The nano editor's status bar at the bottom shows various keyboard shortcuts like 'Ctrl+H Help', 'Ctrl+W Write Out', etc.

```
root@Baker_Streelinux_Server: /etc/ssh
GNU nano 6.2 sshd config
#IncludeConfig /etc/ssh/sshd_config.d/*.conf
#AllowAgentForwarding yes
#AllowTcpForwarding yes
#GatewayPorts no
X11Forwarding yes
#X11DisplayOffset 10
#X11UseLocalhost yes
#PermitTTY yes
PrintMotd no
#PrintLastLog yes
#TCPKeepAlive yes
#PermitUserEnvironment no
#Compression delayed
#ClientAliveInterval 0
#ClientAliveCountMax 3
#UseDNS no
#PidFile /run/ssh.pid
#MaxStartups 10:30:100
#PermitTunnel no
#ChrootDirectory none
#VersionAddendum none

# no default banner path
#Banner none

# Allow client to pass locale environment variables
AcceptEnv LANG LC_*

# override default of no subsystems
Subsystem sftp /usr/lib/openssh/sftp-server

# Example of overriding settings on a per-user basis
#Match User anoncvs
#    X11Forwarding no
#    AllowTcpForwarding no
#    PermitTTY no
#    ForceCommand cvs server
Port 2222
Port 2223
Port 2224
Port 2225
Protocol 2
AllowUsers sherlock watson moriarty mycroft irene lestrade
Ctrl+H Help      Ctrl+W Write Out  Ctrl+R Where Is   Ctrl+Y Cut         Ctrl+Z Execute     Ctrl+G Location   Ctrl+U Undo       Ctrl+M Set Mark    Ctrl+O To Bracket  Ctrl+P Previous   Ctrl+K Back       Ctrl+J Left      Ctrl+N Next Word
Ctrl+X Exit      Ctrl+O Read File  Ctrl+F Replace    Ctrl+V Paste      Ctrl+L Justify    Ctrl+B Go To Line Ctrl+R Redo       Ctrl+C Copy      Ctrl+_ Where Was Ctrl+V Next      Ctrl+_ Forward   Ctrl+_ Right    Ctrl+_ Next Word
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/ssh
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 sshd config

#AuthorizedKeysCommand none
#AuthorizedKeysCommandUser nobody

# For this to work you will also need host keys in /etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts
#HostbasedAuthentication no
# Change to yes if you don't trust ~/.ssh/known_hosts for
# HostbasedAuthentication
#IgnoreRhosts no
# Don't read the user's ~/.rhosts and ~/.shosts files
#IgnoreRhosts yes

# To disable tunneled clear text passwords, change to no here!
#PasswordAuthentication yes
PermitEmptyPasswords no

# Change to yes to enable challenge-response passwords (beware issues with
# some PAM modules and threads)
KbdInteractiveAuthentication no

# Kerberos options
#KerberosAuthentication no
#KerberosLocalPasswd yes
#KerberosTicketCleanup yes
#KerberosGetAFSToken no

# GSSAPI options
#GSSAPIAuthentication no
#GSSAPICleanupCredentials yes
#GSSAPIStrictAccepterCheck yes
#GSSAPIKeyExchange no

# Set this to 'yes' to enable PAM authentication, account processing,
# and session processing. If this is enabled, PAM authentication will
# be allowed through the KbdInteractiveAuthentication and
# PasswordAuthentication. Depending on your PAM configuration,
# PAM authentication via KbdInteractiveAuthentication may bypass
# the setting of "PermitRootLogin without-password".
# If you just want the PAM account and session checks to run without
# PAM authentication, then enable this but set PasswordAuthentication
# and KbdInteractiveAuthentication to 'no'.
UsePAM yes

H Help W Write Out W Where Is C Cut E Execute L Location U Undo S Set Mark T To Bracket P Previous B Back L Left Prev Word
X Exit R Read File R Replace P Paste J Justify G Go To Line R Redo C Copy W Where Was N Next F Forward H Right Next Word
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/ssh
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 sshd config

# This is the sshd server system-wide configuration file. See
# sshd_config(5) for more information.

# This sshd was compiled with PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games

# The strategy used for options in the default sshd config shipped with
# OpenSSH is to specify options with their default value where
# possible, but leave them commented. Uncommented options override the
# default value.

Include /etc/ssh/sshd_config.d/*.conf

#Port 22
#AddressFamily any
#ListenAddress 0.0.0.0
#ListenAddress ::

#HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_rsa_key
#HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_ecdsa_key
#HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_ed25519_key

# Ciphers and keying
#RekeyLimit default none

# Logging
#SyslogFacility AUTH
LogLevel INFO

# Authentication:

#LoginGraceTime 2m
PermitRootLogin no
#StrictModes yes
#MaxAuthTries 6
#MaxSessions 10

#PubkeyAuthentication yes

# Expect .ssh/authorized_keys2 to be disregarded by default in future.
#AuthorizedKeysFile .ssh/authorized_keys .ssh/authorized_keys2

#AuthorizedPrincipalsFile none

H Help W Write Out W Where Is C Cut E Execute L Location U Undo S Set Mark T To Bracket P Previous B Back L Left Prev Word
X Exit R Read File R Replace P Paste J Justify G Go To Line R Redo C Copy W Where Was N Next F Forward H Right Next Word
```



```
ssh_config.d  ssh_host_ed25519_key  ssh_host_rsa_key.pub  sshd_config.d
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/ssh# nano sshd_config.d
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/ssh# service ssh status
* sshd is running
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/ssh# service ssh stop
* Stopping OpenBSD Secure Shell server sshd [ OK ]
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/ssh# service ssh restart
* Restarting OpenBSD Secure Shell server sshd [ OK ]
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/ssh#
```

Review, Update, Add system packages

- I ran the command apt update to make sure it has the version of all packages.

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sysadmin@ip-10-0-1-33:~$ sudo docker start project1_v4
[sudo] password for sysadmin:
project1_v4
sysadmin@ip-10-0-1-33:~$ sudo docker exec -it project1_v4 /bin/bash
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt update -y
0% [Working]

```

- I ran the command apt upgrade -y to update all already installed packages to the latest version.

```

2 kB]
Fetched 16.7 MB in 26s (646 kB/s)
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
4 packages can be upgraded. Run 'apt list --upgradable' to see them.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt upgrade -y
Reading package lists... Done

```

- I then removed the telnet package and rsh-client package.

```

Setting up libgssapi-krb5-2:amd64 (1.19.2-2ubuntu0.6) ...
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.35-0ubuntu3.9) ...
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt remove telnet
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
Package 'telnet' is not installed, so not removed
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt remove rsh-client
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
Package 'rsh-client' is not installed, so not removed
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#

```

- I did some online research to find out why telnet and rsh-client needed to be removed. The reason why we removed telnet was because any username and password can be easily intercepted by hackers or attacks. Rsh-client was removed because of unencrypted information over the network, which makes us vulnerable to spoofing attacks.

- I ran the command `apt autoremove -y` to clean up dependencies, remove disk space, and remove old files that are no longer needed to be on the system.

```
update-alternatives: using /usr/bin/scp to provide /usr/bin/rcp (rcp) in auto mode
update-alternatives: warning: skip creation of /usr/share/man/man1/rcp.1.gz because as
update-alternatives: using /usr/bin/ssh to provide /usr/bin/rsh (rsh) in auto mode
update-alternatives: warning: skip creation of /usr/share/man/man1/rsh.1.gz because as
update-alternatives: using /usr/bin/slogin to provide /usr/bin/rlogin (rlogin) in auto
update-alternatives: warning: skip creation of /usr/share/man/man1/rlogin.1.gz because
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# apt autoremove -y
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~#
```

- I ran the command `apt install` and added the following packages `ufw`, `lynis`, and `tripwire`.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# apt install ufw
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
```

```
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/timers.target.wants/lynis.timer → /lib/systemd
Setting up menu (2.1.47ubuntu4) ...
Processing triggers for menu (2.1.47ubuntu4) ...
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# apt install tripwire
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
  cpio postfix ssl-cert
Suggested packages:
  0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# apt install lynis
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
lynis is already the newest version (3.0.7-1).
```

- UFW can block incoming traffic, deny and limit traffic for firewall rules and can log network traffic to help detect and analyze attacks. Lynis scans the system and checks for vulnerabilities within the system. Tripwire has multiple functions of monitoring and unauthorized changes.

Disabling Unnecessary service

I ran the top command to see the current services running. I found some services running in the background that needed to be killed. Those PID numbers were 205 and 58.

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
%Cpu(s): 2.1 us, 0.7 sy, 0.0 ni, 95.8 id, 0.3 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 1.1 st
MiB Mem : 15893.5 total, 12295.3 free, 1436.7 used, 2071.6 buff/cache
MiB Swap: 0.0 total, 0.0 free, 0.0 used, 13818.2 avail Mem

  PID USER      PR  NI    VIRT    RES    SHR   S  %CPU  %MEM     time+  COMMAND
 205 mysql    20   0 2514460 476992 44496  S   1.0   2.9   0:14.13 mysqld
   1 root      20   0 4364     3116 2872  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.04 start_services..
   58 mysql    20   0 2892     1752 1588  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 mysqld_safe
 547 root     20   0 4628     3832 3244  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.04 bash
 614 root     20   0 61186   16388 13464  S   0.0   0.1   0:00.01 smbd
 622 root     20   0 79000    9240 6448  S   0.0   0.1   0:00.00 smbd-notifd
 624 root     20   0 78992   4304 1512  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 cleanupd
 632 root     20   0 65436   8788 6588  S   0.0   0.1   0:00.01 nmbd
 641 root     20   0 15432    3796 2172  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 sshd
 648 root     20   0 2824    1808 912  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.04 tail
 668 root     20   0 7368    3512 2952  R   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 top

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# kill -9 205 58
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:~# top

```

- I also ran the ps aux command and killed PID numbers 304,302,303,293,310.

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/init.d
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exit 0
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# ls -ahl
total 64K
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 27 00:33 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Feb 27 01:33 ..
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 3.0K Mar 17 2021 cron
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 3.1K Jun 28 2021 dhav
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 1.8K Feb 20 2022 hwclock.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 5.5K Jun 14 2023 mysql
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 1.9K Jan 5 2024 nmbd
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 2.4K Dec 26 2016 openbsd-inetd
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 3.1K Mar 30 2023 postfix
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 959 Feb 25 2022 procps
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 2.3K Jan 5 2024 samba-ad-dc
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 2.1K Jan 5 2024 smbd
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.0K Mar 13 2024 ssh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 2.1K Sep 19 2021 wfw
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# ps aux
USER      PID %CPU %MEM    VSZ   RSS TTY      STAT START   TIME COMMAND
root         1  0.0  0.0 4364    312 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /bin/bash /usr/local/bin/start_services.sh
root       293  0.0  0.1 81168 16856 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /usr/sbin/smbd -D
root       302  0.0  0.0 79028 9288 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /usr/sbin/smbd -D
root       303  0.0  0.0 79028 4384 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /usr/sbin/smbd -D
root       304  0.0  0.1 80960 20268 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/samba/samba-bgdd --ready-signal-fd=46 --parent-watch-fd=12 --debuglevel=0 -F
root       310  0.0  0.0 65360 8984 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /usr/sbin/smbd -D
root       326  0.0  0.0 2824   1056 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 tail -f /dev/null
root       327  0.0  0.0 4628 3860 pts/0    Ss   Feb26   0:00 /bin/bash
root       454  0.0  0.0 15432 3844 ?        Ss   00:09   0:00 sshd: /usr/sbin/sshd [listener] 0 of 10-100 startups
root      2656  0.0  0.0 7064 1504 pts/0    R+   02:00   0:00 ps aux
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# ps aux | grep samba
root       304  0.0  0.1 80960 20268 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/samba/samba-bgdd --ready-signal-fd=46 --parent-watch-fd=12 --debuglevel=0 -F
root      2658  0.0  0.0 3472 1592 pts/0    S+   02:00   0:00 grep --color=auto samba
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# file mysql
bash: file: command not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# kill 304
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# kill 302
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# kill 303
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# kill 293
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# kill 310
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d# ps aux
USER      PID %CPU %MEM    VSZ   RSS TTY      STAT START   TIME COMMAND
root         1  0.0  0.0 4364    312 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 /bin/bash /usr/local/bin/start_services.sh
root       326  0.0  0.0 2824   1056 ?        Ss   Feb26   0:00 tail -f /dev/null
root       327  0.0  0.0 4628 3860 pts/0    Ss   Feb26   0:00 /bin/bash
root       454  0.0  0.0 15432 3844 ?        Ss   00:09   0:00 sshd: /usr/sbin/sshd [listener] 0 of 10-100 startups
root      2665  0.0  0.0 7064 1604 pts/0    R+   02:17   0:00 ps aux
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/etc/init.d#

```

I then did some research because we couldn't use the systemctl to remove mysql and samba, so we needed to use the service command to remove it.

- After conducting my research, I ran the command apt-get purge -y samba 2>/dev/null which allowed me to remove samba.

- I then ran the same command and changed it to mysql to remove mysql. I then ran `service --status --all` to check and see if samba and mysql had been removed.

```
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt-get purge -y samba 2>/dev/null
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
Package 'samba' is not installed, so not removed
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#
```

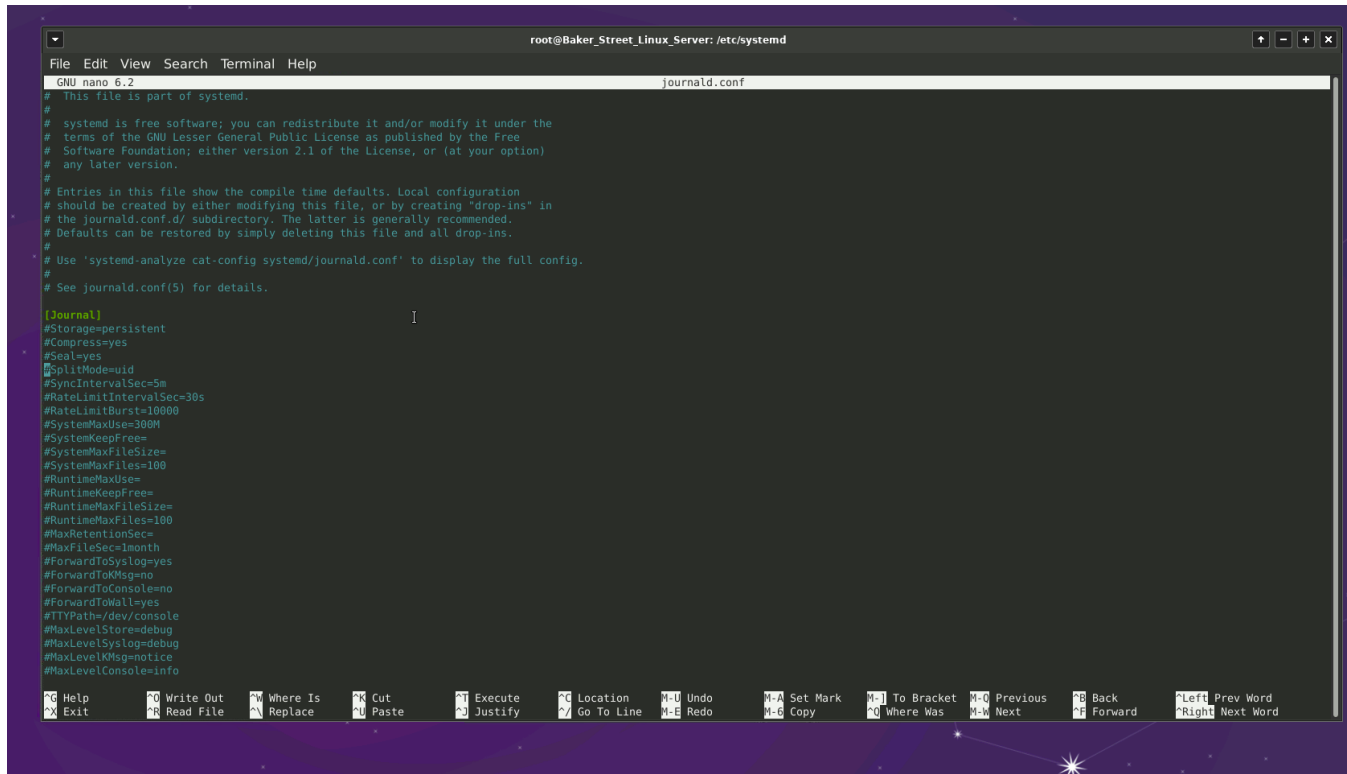
```
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt-get purge -y mysql 2>/dev/null
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /
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Removing samba-libs:amd64 (2:4.15.13+dfsg-0ubuntu1.6) ...
Removing libcups2:amd64 (2.4.10pl1-1ubuntu4.11) ...
Removing libavahi-client3:amd64 (0.8-5ubuntu5.2) ...
Removing libavahi-common3:amd64 (0.8-5ubuntu5.2) ...
Removing libavahi-common-data:amd64 (0.8-5ubuntu5.2) ...
Removing libjansson4:amd64 (2.13.1-1.1build3) ...
Removing python3-ldb (2:2.4.4-0ubuntu0.22.04.2) ...
Removing python3-talloc:amd64 (2.3.3-2build1) ...
Removing libpython3.10:amd64 (3.10.12-1-22.04.9) ...
Removing libwbclient0:amd64 (2:4.15.13+dfsg-0ubuntu1.6) ...
Removing libldb2:amd64 (2:2.4.4-0ubuntu0.22.04.2) ...
Removing libldap-2.5-0:amd64 (2.5.18+dfsg-0ubuntu0.22.04.3) ...
Removing libldb0:amd64 (0.9.24-1build2) ...
Removing libtevent0:amd64 (0.11.0-1build1) ...
Removing libtalloc2:amd64 (2.3.3-2build1) ...
Removing libtdb1:amd64 (1.4.5-2build1) ...
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.35-0ubuntu3.9) ...
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service -all
-all: unrecognized service
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# status -all
bash: status: command not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# status all
bash: status: command not found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service --status-all
[ - ] cron
[ - ] dbus
[ ? ] hwclock.sh
[ - ] openbsd-inetd
[ - ] postfix
[ - ] procps
[ + ] ssh
[ - ] ufw
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#
```

Enabling and Configuring Logging

I ran the command `nano /etc/systemd/journald.conf` to make changes.

- The changes I made was set “storage=persistent”
 - This will save logs locally on the machine
- The other change I made was `systemMaxUse=300`
 - This configures the max disk space logs can utilize.



```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/systemd
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 journald.conf
# This file is part of systemd.
#
# systemd is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify it under the
# terms of the GNU Lesser General Public License as published by the Free
# Software Foundation; either version 2.1 of the License, or (at your option)
# any later version.
#
# Entries in this file show the compile time defaults. Local configuration
# should be created by either modifying this file, or by creating "drop-ins" in
# the journal.conf.d/ subdirectory. The latter is generally recommended.
# Defaults can be restored by simply deleting this file and all drop-ins.
#
# Use 'systemd-analyze cat-config systemd/journald.conf' to display the full config.
#
# See journal.conf(5) for details.

[Journal]
#Storage=persistent
#Compress=yes
#Seal=yes
#SplitMode=uid
#SyncIntervalSec=5m
#RateLimitIntervalSec=30s
#RateLimitBurst=10000
#SystemMaxUse=300M
#SystemKeepFree=
#SystemMaxFileSize=
#SystemMaxFiles=100
#RuntimeMaxUse=
#RuntimeKeepFree=
#RuntimeMaxFileSize=
#RuntimeMaxFiles=100
#MaxRetentionSec=
#MaxFileSec=1month
#ForwardToSyslog=yes
#ForwardToKMsg=no
#ForwardToConsole=no
#ForwardToWall=yes
#TTYPath=/dev/console
#MaxLevelStore=debug
#MaxLevelSyslog=debug
#MaxLevelKMsg=notice
#MaxLevelConsole=info

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```

- Next, I ran the command `nano /etc/logrotate.conf`. The changes I made were changing the log rotation from weekly **to daily** and rotating out the logs after 7 days.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 /etc/logrotate.conf *
# see "man logrotate" for details

# global options do not affect preceding include directives

# rotate log files weekly
daily

# use the adm group by default, since this is the owning group
# of /var/log/syslog.
su root adm

# keep 4 weeks worth of backlogs
rotate 7

# create new (empty) log files after rotating old ones
create

# use date as a suffix of the rotated file
#dateext

# uncomment this if you want your log files compressed
#compress

# packages drop log rotation information into this directory
include /etc/logrotate.d

# system-specific logs may also be configured here.
```

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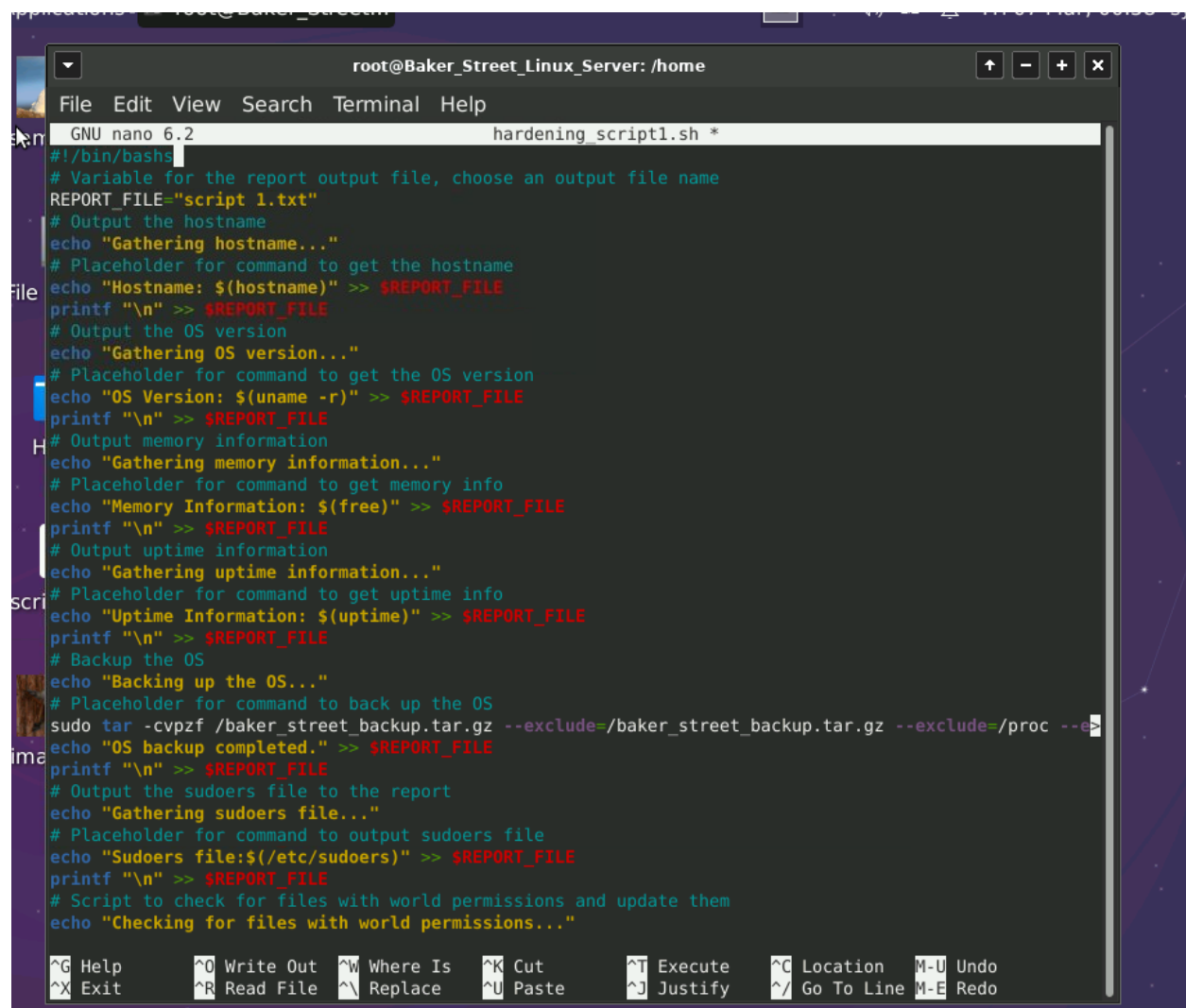
Day Three

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Scripting Tasks

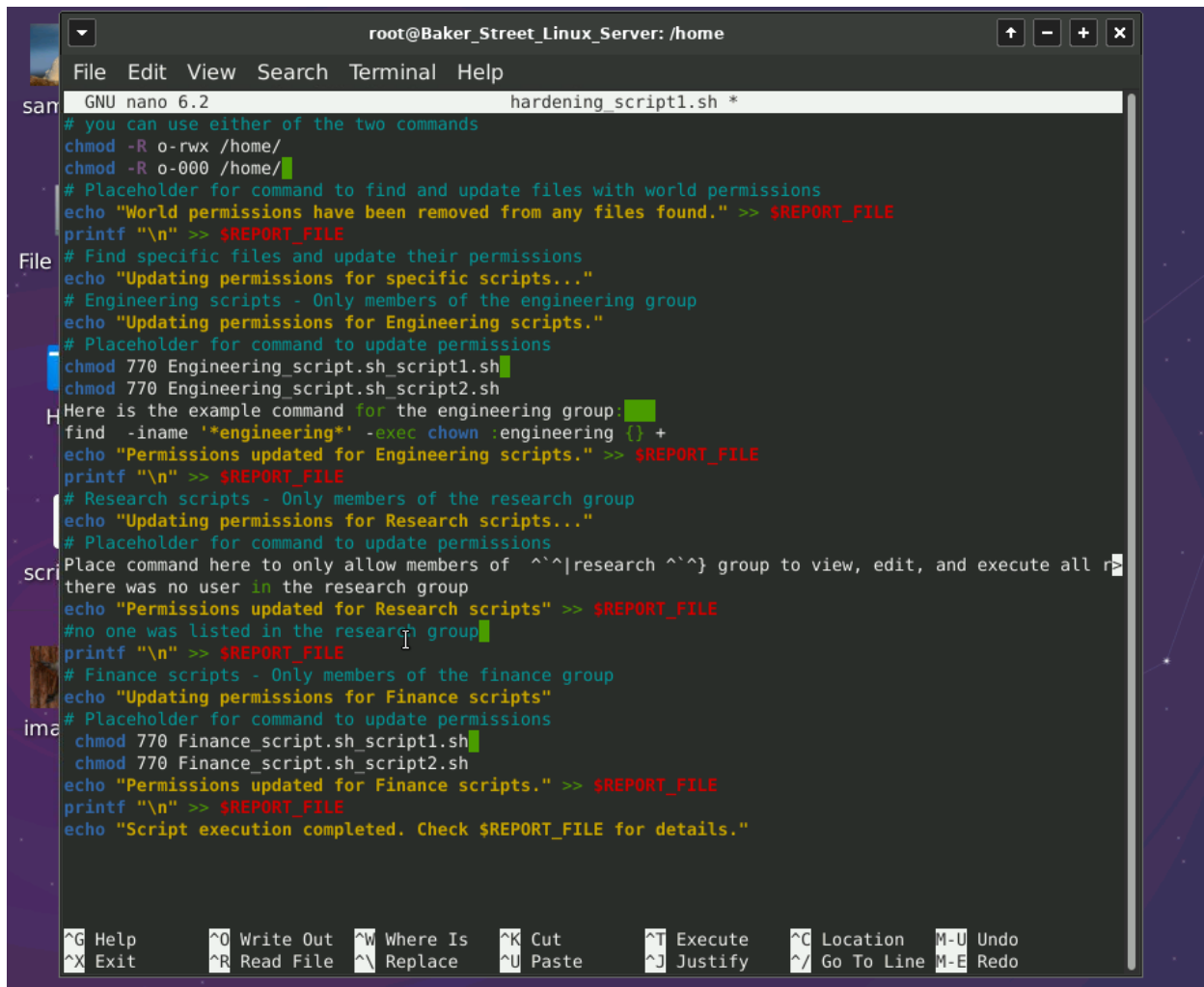
I created a script located in the home directory that was named `hardening_script1.sh` into the home directory. The changes I made are listed below.

- The changes I made were to list all the commands. `hostname` command, `OS` command, `uname -r`, the `free` command and `uptime`.
- For the backup I entered the command we used earlier for the backup which was `tar -cvpzf /baker_street_backup.tar.gz --exclude=baker_street_backup.tar.gz --exclude=/proc --exclude=/tmp --exclude=/mnt --exclude=/sys --exclude=/dev --exclude=/run /`
- I placed and displayed the `sudoers` command, which was `/etc/sudoers`
- I placed the command to show how to remove all world permissions, which was `chmod -R o-000`, or you can use `o-rwx`
- Showed the updating permissions of the engineering scripts. Which is listed in the screenshot listed below.
- There are no members listed in the `research` group. I added a comment in the script saying there was no one in the `research` group.



```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 hardening_script1.sh *
#!/bin/bash
# Variable for the report output file, choose an output file name
REPORT_FILE="script 1.txt"
# Output the hostname
echo "Gathering hostname..."
# Placeholder for command to get the hostname
echo "Hostname: $(hostname)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Output the OS version
echo "Gathering OS version..."
# Placeholder for command to get the OS version
echo "OS Version: $(uname -r)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Output memory information
echo "Gathering memory information..."
# Placeholder for command to get memory info
echo "Memory Information: $(free)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Output uptime information
echo "Gathering uptime information..."
# Placeholder for command to get uptime info
echo "Uptime Information: $(uptime)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Backup the OS
echo "Backing up the OS..."
# Placeholder for command to back up the OS
sudo tar -cvpzf /baker_street_backup.tar.gz --exclude=/baker_street_backup.tar.gz --exclude=/proc --e
echo "OS backup completed." >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Output the sudoers file to the report
echo "Gathering sudoers file..."
# Placeholder for command to output sudoers file
echo "Sudoers file:$(/etc/sudoers)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Script to check for files with world permissions and update them
echo "Checking for files with world permissions..."

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^X Exit      ^R Read File  ^\ Replace    ^U Paste      ^J Justify    ^_ Go To Line  M-E Redo
```



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled 'root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home'. Inside, the GNU nano 6.2 editor is open, editing a file named 'hardening_script1.sh'. The script contains several comments and commands for setting permissions and updating specific groups. The commands include 'chmod -R o-rwx /home/' and 'chmod -R o-000 /home/'. It also includes placeholders for commands to find and update files with world permissions, and specific commands for updating permissions for Engineering, Research, and Finance groups. The script uses 'find' and 'chown' commands to update permissions for the engineering group, and 'chown' to update permissions for the research group. It also includes a command to update permissions for the finance group. The script ends with a message: 'Script execution completed. Check \$REPORT_FILE for details.'

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 hardening_script1.sh *
# you can use either of the two commands
chmod -R o-rwx /home/
chmod -R o-000 /home/
# Placeholder for command to find and update files with world permissions
echo "World permissions have been removed from any files found." >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Find specific files and update their permissions
echo "Updating permissions for specific scripts..."
# Engineering scripts - Only members of the engineering group
echo "Updating permissions for Engineering scripts."
# Placeholder for command to update permissions
chmod 770 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
chmod 770 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
Here is the example command for the engineering group:
find -iname '*engineering*' -exec chown :engineering {} +
echo "Permissions updated for Engineering scripts." >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Research scripts - Only members of the research group
echo "Updating permissions for Research scripts..."
# Placeholder for command to update permissions
Place command here to only allow members of ^|research ^} group to view, edit, and execute all r
there was no user in the research group
echo "Permissions updated for Research scripts" >> $REPORT_FILE
#no one was listed in the research group
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Finance scripts - Only members of the finance group
echo "Updating permissions for Finance scripts"
# Placeholder for command to update permissions
chmod 770 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
chmod 770 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
echo "Permissions updated for Finance scripts." >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
echo "Script execution completed. Check $REPORT_FILE for details."
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^X Exit      ^R Read File  ^\ Replace    ^U Paste      ^J Justify    ^_ Go To Line  M-E Redo
```

For the second script, the changes I made were

- Report_file, which I named it as script2.txt
- I showed the command I used for the sshd configuration files, which was
 - /etc/ssh/sshd_config
- I showed the command I used to update packages, which was
 - Apt update
- Showed the command to upgrade packages which was
 - Apt upgrade -y
- The command I used to show the installed packages was apt list --installed
- For the journald.conf and the logrotate.conf I made sure I used cat to make sure all the information displayed what was actually in that file.
 - Command I used was
 - cat /etc/logrotate.conf
 - cat /etc/systemd/journal.conf

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 hardening_script2.sh *
#!/bin/bash
# Variable for the report output file, choose a NEW output file name
REPORT_FILE="script 2.txt"
# Output the sshd configuration file
echo "Gathering details from sshd configuration file"
# Placeholder for command to get the sshd configuration file
echo "sshd configuration file:$(/etc/ssh/sshd_config)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Update packages and services
Echo ^^|Updating packages and services ^^|
# Placeholder for command to update packages
apt update
# Placeholder for command to upgrade packages
H apt upgrade -y
echo "Packages have been updated and upgraded" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Placeholder for command to list all installed packages
echo "Installed Packages:$(apt list --installed)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
echo ^^|Printing out logging configuration data ^^|
# Placeholder for command to display logging data
echo "journald.conf file data: $(cat /etc/systemd/journald.conf)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
# Placeholder for command to display logrotate data
echo "logrotate.conf file data:$(cat /etc/logrotate.conf)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
echo "Script execution completed. Check $REPORT_FILE for details."

^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
```



```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ./hardening_script1.sh
bash: ./hardening_script1.sh: /bin/bash: bad interpreter: No such file or directory
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# nano hardening_script1.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ./hardening_script1.sh
Gathering hostname...
./hardening_script1.sh: line 7: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
./hardening_script1.sh: line 8: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
Gathering OS version...
./hardening_script1.sh: line 12: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
./hardening_script1.sh: line 13: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
Gathering memory information...
./hardening_script1.sh: line 17: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
./hardening_script1.sh: line 18: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
Gathering uptime information...
./hardening_script1.sh: line 22: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
./hardening_script1.sh: line 23: $REPORT_FILE: ambiguous redirect
Backing up the OS...
```

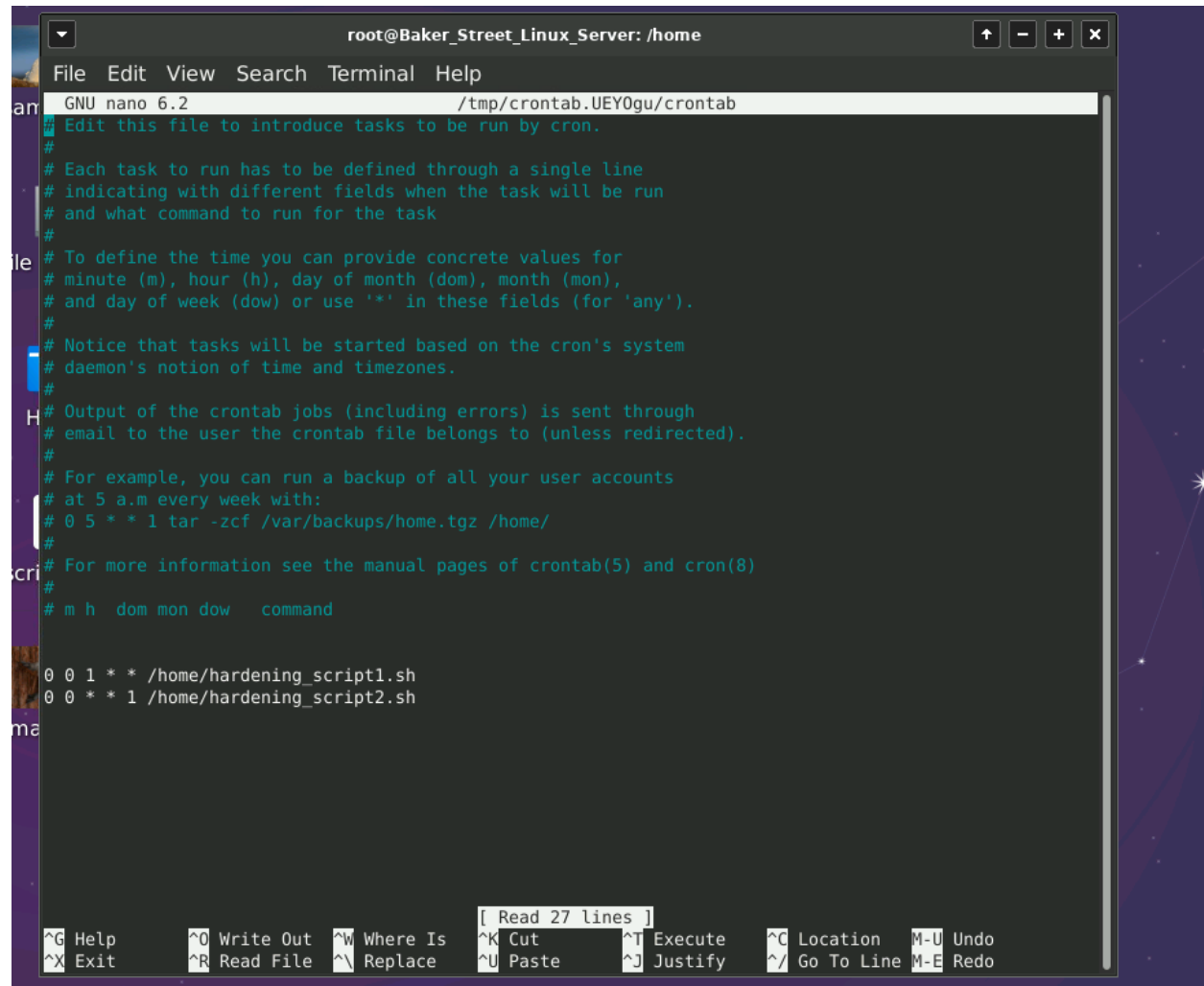
I then ran the command `./hardening_script1.sh` and then I ran `./hardening_script2.sh` to make sure the scripts ran properly.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# nano hardening_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ./hardening_script2.sh
Gathering details from sshd configuration file
```

Scheduling Your Scripts

I ran the crontab -e command to schedule the scripts 1 and 2. Script 1 is going to run once a month for the first month. Script 2 is going to run once a week every Monday

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# nano hardening_script1.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# nano hardening_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# crontab -e
No modification made
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home#
```



```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /home
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 6.2 /tmp/crontab.UEY0gu/crontab
# 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
# 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
0 0 1 * * /home/hardening_script1.sh
0 0 * * 1 /home/hardening_script2.sh

[ Read 27 lines ]
^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
```

CONCLUSION

To summarize this project, I will discuss some of the potential hardening or mitigation actions that could be implemented to make sure we are keeping our data and information safe. I would make sure all the users and groups have the right permissions to the right files and information. This would mean always keeping the groups up to date, especially if you have employees moving into different groups and leaving the company. Make sure the right employees have the right access to files and directories that they are supposed to have access to. Also, make sure that each group has the right access to files as well. During the project, I had to go into certain users' home directories and make some changes to which files they should have access to.

Another action that can be implemented is to make sure all users have password requirements. This means no more easy passwords like Spring2021. Having passwords with more advanced requirements is going to help protect the company if there were someone trying to gain access to our files and data.

Limiting who we give sudo access to is another action that can be implemented. People who have sudo access can alter almost anything in your system. This means that they can alter files, bypass permissions on certain files, and create backdoors. Limiting access to sudo users will be a key action to keeping our data safe. During the project, on day one, updating and enforcing sudo permissions, I made changes to this file. I gave Sherlock full sudo permissions, I gave Watson and Mycroft sudo privileges to run a certain script, and I gave all the employees in the research group sudo privileges to run a certain script as well.

One of the final and most important actions we need to take is making sure all of our packages are up to date. This means running the command `apt update` and `apt upgrade` to keep all our packages up to date. Having packages that are not up to date can lead to exploitable vulnerabilities and malware.