Task 3: Mini Server Monitor Script

1. Create the script file

nano monitor.sh

2. Paste the following into the nano editor, then save:

#!/bin/bash

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LOGFILE="/var/log/monitor.log"
echo "----- $(date) -----" >> $LOGFILE
# Check if nginx is running
if pgrep nginx > /dev/null; then
  echo "Nginx is running." >> $LOGFILE
else
  echo "Nginx is not running. Starting nginx..." >> $LOGFILE
  sudo systemctl start nginx
  echo "Nginx started." >> $LOGFILE
fi
# Memory usage
echo "Memory Usage:" >> $LOGFILE
free -h >> $LOGFILE
# CPU load
echo "CPU Load:" >> $LOGFILE
uptime >> $LOGFILE
# Disk usage
echo "Disk Usage:" >> $LOGFILE
df -h >> $LOGFILE
echo -e "\n" >> $LOGFILE
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3. Make the script executable

chmod +x monitor.sh

4. Move the script to a suitable location (optional)

sudo my monitor.sh /usr/local/bin/monitor.sh

5. Open the crontab

crontab -e

6. Add the following line at the end to schedule the script every 5 minutes:

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(oxydevil@ node1)-[~]
$ cat ~/server_monitor.log
 2025-07-28 08:32:01] — Server Monitor —
2025-07-28 08:32:01] nginx is running.
                                                      2.6Gi
975Mi
Mem:
                    3.86i
08:32:01 up 33 min, 2 users, l
[2025-07-28 08:32:01] Disk Usage:
                      392M 1.3M 391M
                                0 2.0G
30K 227K
tmofs
                      1.0M
                                                 0% /run/credentials/systemd-sysctl.service
                      1.0M
                                  0 1.0M
                                                 0% /run/credentials/systemd-tmpfiles-setup.service
                                                0% /run/credentials/getty@tty1.service
0% /run/credentials/serial-getty@ttyAMA0.service
                                       1.0M
                      1.0M
[2025-07-28 08:32:01]
[2025-07-28 08:32:11] == Server Monitor ==
[2025-07-28 08:32:11] nginx is running.
[2025-07-28 08:32:11] Memory Usage:
[2025-07-28 08:32:11] CPU Load:
08:32:11 up 33 min, 2 users, load average: 0.22, 0.12, 0.04
08:32:11 up 33 min, 2 users, l
[2025-07-28 08:32:11] Disk Usage;
                              0 1.9G
1.3M 391M
                      5.0M
                                                 0% /run/credentials/systemd-journald.service
                      1.0M
                                                 0% /run/credentials/systemd-tmpfiles-setup-dev-early.service
                      1.0M
                                                 0% /run/credentials/systemd-sysctl.service
0% /run/credentials/systemd-tmpfiles-setup-dev.service
                      1.0M
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                                                 0% /run/credentials/getty@tty1.service
0% /run/credentials/serial-getty@ttyAMA0.service
[2025-07-28 08:32:11]
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