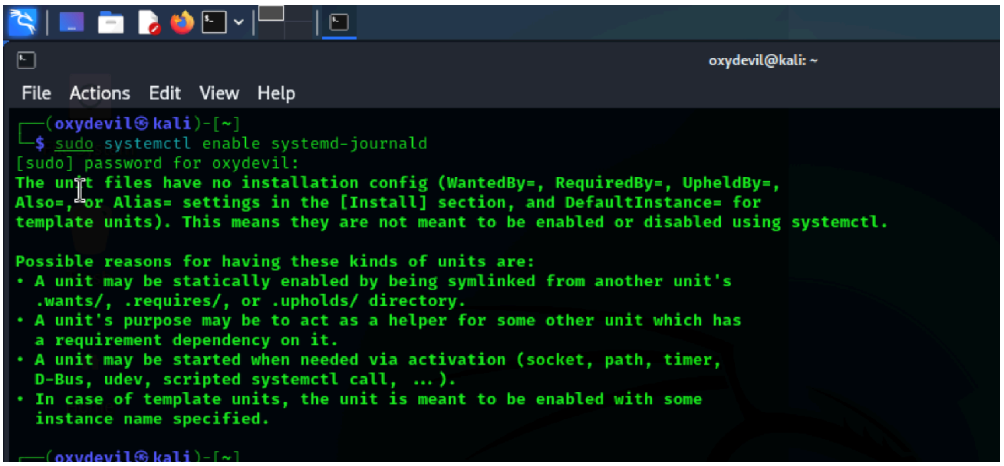
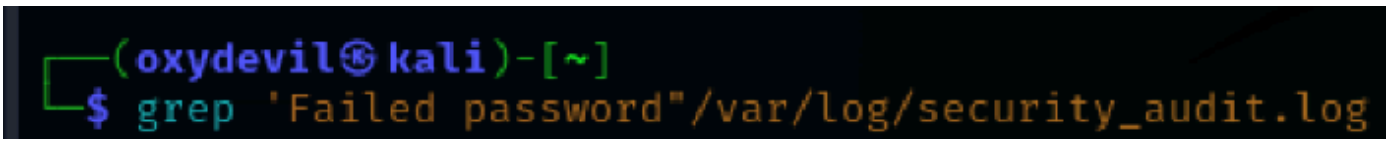
Task 6

SETUP

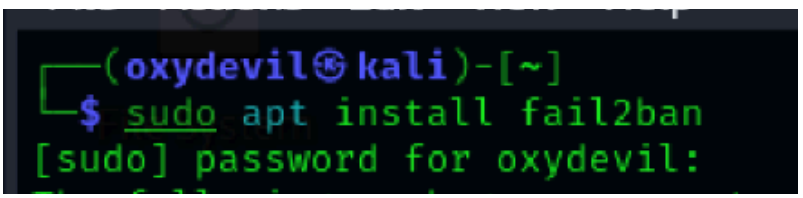


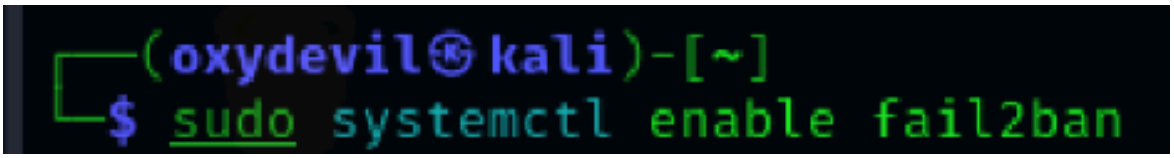
To enable system logging for enhanced security monitoring, first activate the journal service
with the commands:
sudo systemctl enable systemd-journald
sudo systemctl start systemd-journald
For Ubuntu and Debian systems, authentication attempts are logged in /var/log/auth.log by default.
If this file is missing, enable it by uncommenting the following line in /etc/rsyslog.conf : auth,authpriv.
* /var/log/auth.log
After making the changes, restart the rsyslog service using: sudo systemctl restart rsyslog
To simulate multiple failed SSH login attempts for testing purposes, use the command
: ssh invalid_user@localhost

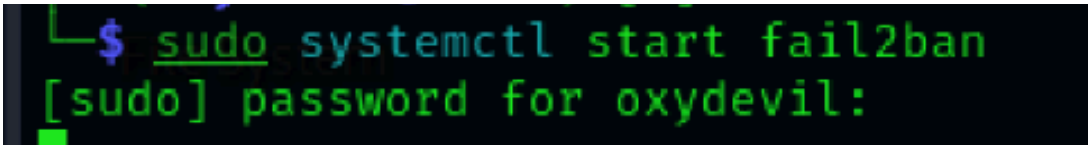


This command analyzes Logs for Brute-force Attempts

Mitigation:



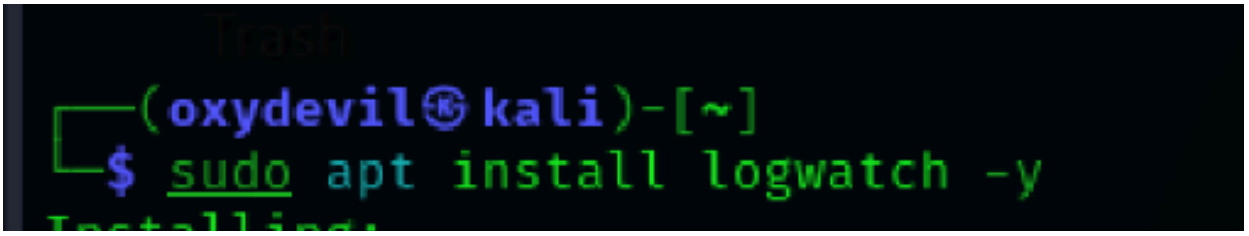




To improve system security, install Fail2Ban using the command sudo apt install fail2ban -y, then enable it with sudo systemctl enable fail2ban, and start the service using sudo systemctl start fail2ban.

Next, modify the configuration file /etc/fail2ban/jail.local by adding [sshd] enabled = true, setting maxretry = 3, bantime = 10m, and findtime = 10m. Finally, restart the service with sudo systemctl restart fail2ban to apply the updates.

Since we already completed these steps in Task 1, there's no need to reinstall it.



To streamline log monitoring, install Logwatch with sudo apt install logwatch -y, then configure it to send comprehensive log summaries via email using logwatch --detail high --mailto root@localhost.

For remote log storage or advanced filtering, modify /etc/rsyslog.conf by adding *.* @:514 to forward logs to the specified remote server.