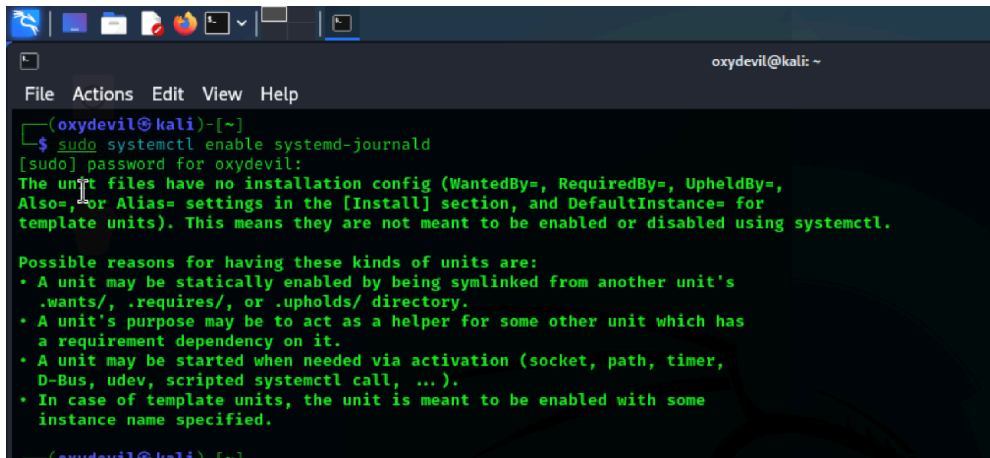


# Task 6

## SETUP



```
(oxydevil@kali)-[~]
$ sudo systemctl enable systemd-journald
[sudo] password for oxydevil:
The unit files have no installation config (WantedBy=, RequiredBy=, UpheldBy=,
Also=, or Alias= settings in the [Install] section, and DefaultInstance= for
template units). This means they are not meant to be enabled or disabled using systemctl.

Possible reasons for having these kinds of units are:
* A unit may be statically enabled by being symlinked from another unit's
.wants/, .requires/, or .upholds/ directory.
* A unit's purpose may be to act as a helper for some other unit which has
a requirement dependency on it.
* A unit may be started when needed via activation (socket, path, timer,
D-Bus, udev, scripted systemctl call, ...).
* In case of template units, the unit is meant to be enabled with some
instance name specified.

--(oxydevil@kali)-[~]
```

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.

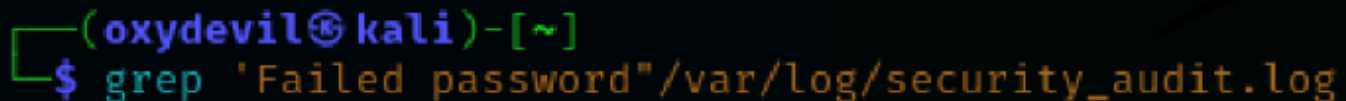
If this file is missing, enable it by uncommenting the following line in /etc/rsyslog.conf : auth,authpriv.

```
* /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

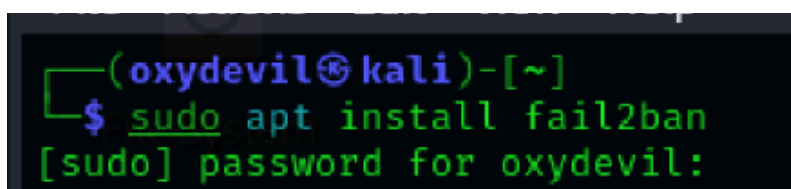
```
: ssh invalid_user@localhost
```



```
(oxydevil@kali)-[~]
$ grep 'Failed password' /var/log/security_audit.log
```

This command analyzes Logs for Brute-force Attempts

## Mitigation:



```
(oxydevil@kali)-[~]
$ sudo apt install fail2ban
[sudo] password for oxydevil:
```

```
(oxydevil@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo systemctl enable fail2ban
```

```
$ sudo systemctl start fail2ban  
[sudo] password for oxydevil:
```

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.

```
Trash  
(oxydevil@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo apt install logwatch -y  
Installing...
```

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.