

## **Unit 1.1: Rsync Assignment**

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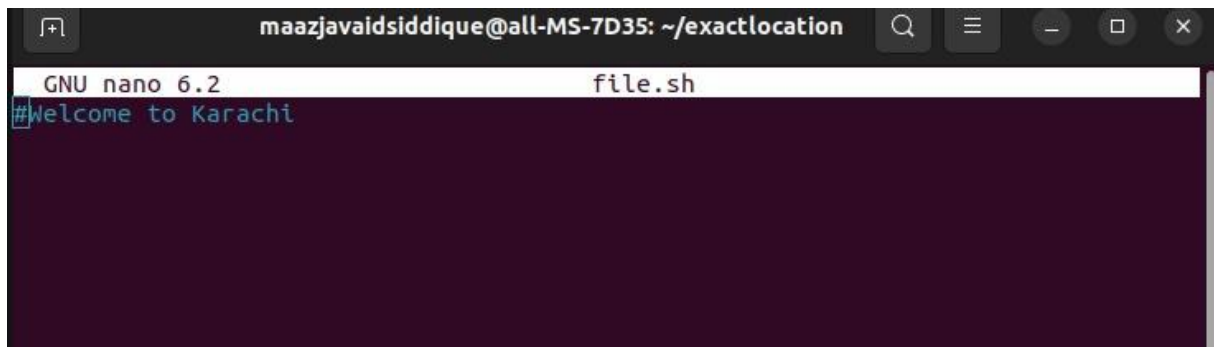
### **Assignment:**

On a linux server setup a cron job for copying example data with *rsync* periodically.

Ensure the copying is handled in the background and independently of the user session.

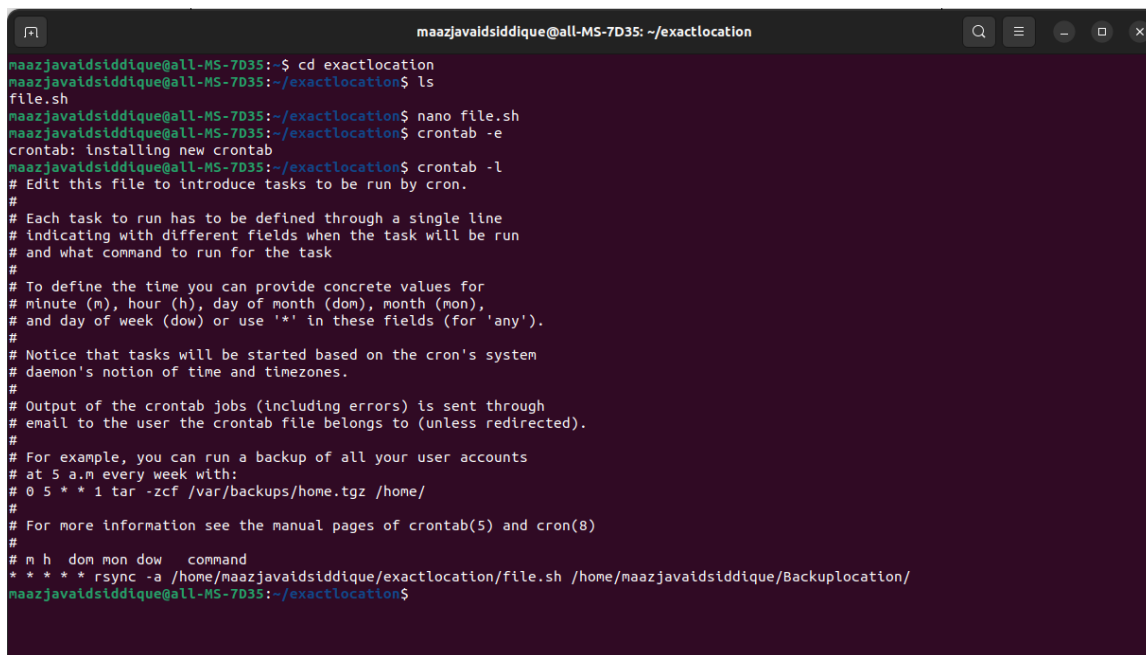
In this assignment first we need to check crontab is installed by **crontab --version** or if not the install by this **sudo apt-get install crontab**.

As in the question we have to copy a data by rsync so I create two folders one exactlocation is the folder where by file is located file.sh and another I create Backuplocation folder. I create a file file.sh by using **nano file.sh** and write some text.



```
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35: ~/exactlocation
GNU nano 6.2 file.sh
#Welcome to Karachi
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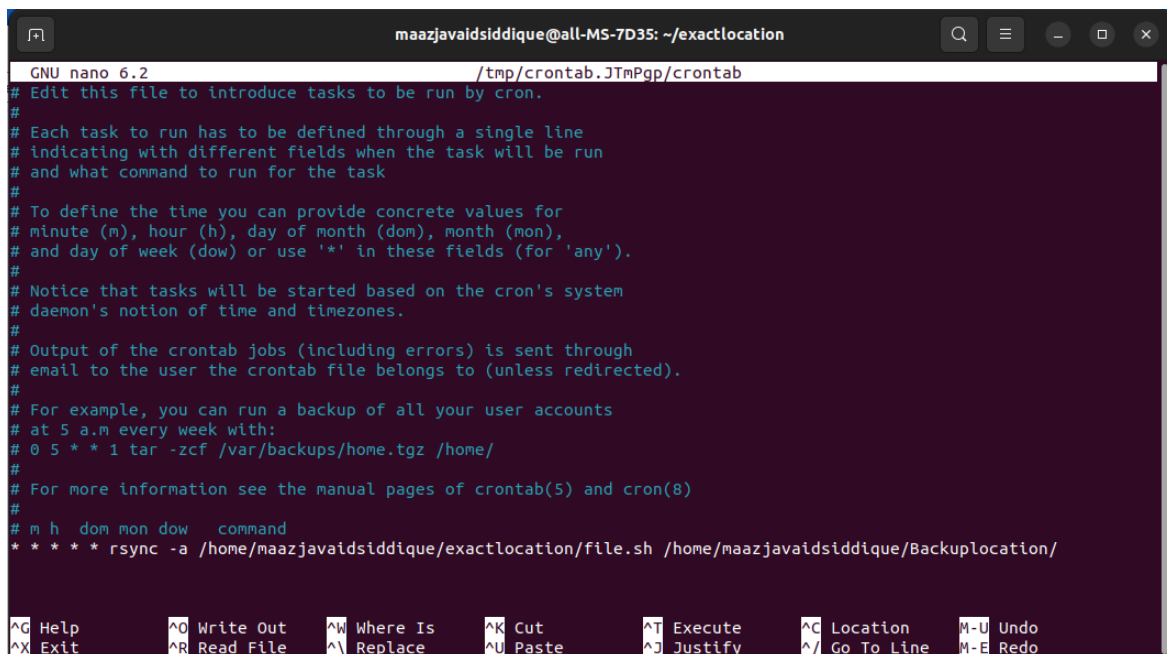
In the terminal I want to create a crontab by using the **crontab -e** command if you run this command the first time you have to select an option for which editor you want to use, I select nano.



```
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35: ~/exactlocation
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35:~/exactlocation$ cd exactlocation
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35:~/exactlocation$ ls
file.sh
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35:~/exactlocation$ nano file.sh
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35:~/exactlocation$ crontab -e
crontab: installing new crontab
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35:~/exactlocation$ crontab -l
# 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
* * * * * rsync -a /home/maazjavaidsiddique/exactlocation/file.sh /home/maazjavaidsiddique/Backuplocation/
maazjavaidsiddique@all-MS-7D35:~/exactlocation$
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After that, I entered the crontab. I write a command

**\* \* \* \* \* rsync /home/maazjavaidsiddique/exactlocation/file.sh  
/home/maazjavaidsiddique/Backuplocation**

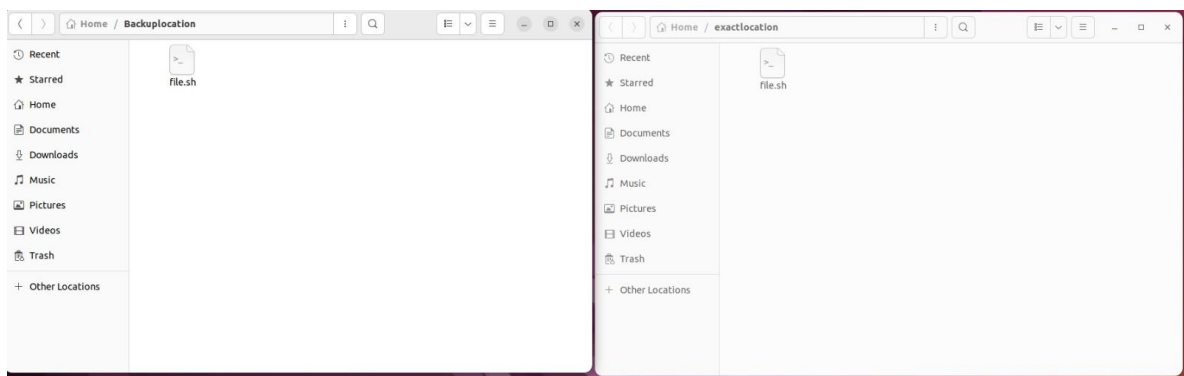


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GNU nano 6.2 /tmp/crontab.3TmPgp/crontab
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* * * * * rsync -a /home/maazjavaidsiddique/exactlocation/file.sh /home/maazjavaidsiddique/Backuplocation/
^G Help      ^O Write Out ^W Where Is  ^K Cut       ^T Execute   ^C Location  M-U Undo
^X Exit      ^R Read File ^_ Replace   ^U Paste     ^J Justify   ^_ Go To Line M-E Redo
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At the starting of the command I write five asterisk

- \* min
- \* hour
- \* day of month (1-31)
- \* month (1-12)
- \* day of week(1-7)

I use five asterisk which means every minute we take a backup from exactlocation folder to Backuplocation folder



In this picture, we can see file.sh copied from one folder to another folder.