

create script to list all files in /var/log every 5 seconds and append the list to /tmp/list.log file

```
#!/bin/bash

while true
do
    ls /var/log >> /tmp/list.log
    sleep 5
done
```

copy the script to /usr/local/bin directory and set the execution attribute to it

```
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:~/Desktop$ cp script-.sh /usr/local/bin/
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:~/Desktop$ ll /usr/local/bin/
```

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total 12
drwxrwxrwx  2 root    root    4096 12:50 22 فبراير ./
drwxr-xr-x 10 root    root    4096 2022  9 أغسطس ../
-rw-rw-r--  1 mahmoud mahmoud   72 12:50 22 فبراير script-.sh
```

```
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:~/Desktop$ chmod a+x /usr/local/bin/script-.sh
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:~/Desktop$ ll /usr/local/bin/
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create systemd service file to execute the the script as background service

```
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:/etc/systemd/system$ cat mybg_process.service
[Unit]
Description=my_bg_process_to_list_files

[Service]
User=root
WorkingDirectory=/usr/local/bin
ExecStart=/bin/bash /usr/local/bin/script-.sh
Restart=on-abort

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target
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```
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:/etc/systemd/system$ sudo systemctl daemon-reload
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:/etc/systemd/system$ sudo systemctl start mybg_process.service
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:/etc/systemd/system$ systemctl status mybg_process.service
● mybg_process.service - my_bg_process_to_list_files
   Loaded: loaded (/etc/systemd/system/mybg_process.service; disabled; vendor preset: enabled)
   Active: active (running) since Wed 2023-02-22 13:39:31 EET; 5s ago
 Main PID: 4424 (bash)
    Tasks: 2 (limit: 2143)
  Memory: 736.0K
     CPU: 20ms
    CGroup: /system.slice/mybg_process.service
            └─4424 /bin/bash /usr/local/bin/script-.sh
              └─4428 sleep 5
```

using cron, schedule a job every 5 minutes to copy /tmp/list.log file to /tmp/list.log.1 and compress the file using zip command

```
# 0 5 * * 1 tar -zcf /var/backups/home.tgz /home/  
*/5 * * * * zip -r /tmp/list.log.1.zip /tmp/list.log
```

```
mahmoud@mahmoud-Virtual-Machine:/etc/systemd/system$ ll /tmp  
total 208  
drwxrwxrwt 20 root root 4096 13:55 22 فير ./  
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 18:58 1 فير ../  
drwxrwxrwt 2 root root 4096 13:06 22 فير .font-unix/  
-rw----- 1 mahmoud mahmoud 0 13:07 22 فير gdm3-config-err-BfH7q3  
drwxrwxrwt 2 root root 4096 13:07 22 فير .ICE-unix/  
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 121338 13:55 22 فير list.log  
-rw-rw-r-- 1 mahmoud mahmoud 1078 13:55 22 فير list.log.1.zip
```