Week 4 Homework Submission File: Linux Systems Administration

**Note – all commands to run are light blue in sequence
are explanations of the commands used

Step 1: Ensure Permissions on Sensitive Files

1. Permissions on /etc/shadow should allow only root read and write access.
    - Command to inspect permissions:

      Open Terminal login into sysadmin from ~ navigate to /etc

      Run the command:

      ls -al /etc/shadow

      # -l list files in long format -a shows hidden files
    - Command to set permissions (if needed):

      sudo chmod 600 /etc/shadow

      #chmod sets file permissions
2. Permissions on /etc/gshadow should allow only root read and write access.
    - Command to inspect permissions:

      ls -al /etc/gshadow
    - Command to set permissions (if needed):

      sudo chmod 600 /etc/gshadow

      #chmod sets file permissions
3. Permissions on /etc/group should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
    - Command to inspect permissions:

ls -al /etc/group

- Command to set permissions (if needed):

  sudo chmod 644 /etc/group

  #chmod sets file permissions

4. Permissions on /etc/passwd should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.

   - Command to inspect permissions:

     ls -al /etc/passwd

   - Command to set permissions (if needed):

     sudo chmod 644 /etc/passwd

     #chmod sets file permissions

Step 2: Create User Accounts

1. **Add user accounts for sam, joe, amy, sara, and admin.**

   - Command to add each user account (include all five users):

     Move to the /home directory and run the following command:

     for u in sam joe amy sara admin; do sudo useradd -m $u; echo "$u:Password" | sudo chpasswd $u; done

     Check users are created, run: sudo tail -n5 /etc/shadow /etc/passwd

     #for u – creates multiple users with u being the variable

     #useradd -m adds a home directory

     #echo $u:Password – creates a default user password as “Password”

     #chpasswd – command reads a list of user name and password pairs from

     standard input and uses this information to update a group of existing

     users. Each line is of the format: user_name:password

2. **Force users to create 16-character passwords incorporating numbers and symbols.**

    From /home directory and run the following command:

    for u in sam joe amy sara admin; do sudo chage -d 0 $u; done

    - Command to edit pwquality.conf file:

      Move to /etc/security run:

      sudo nano /etc/security/pwquality.conf

      #navigate down the list to make required changes to pwquality

    - Updates to configuration file:

      minclass = 4

      minlen = 16

3. **Force passwords to expire every 90 days**.

    - Command to set each new user's password to expire in 90 days (include all five users):

      From /etc/security run:

      for u in sam joe amy sara admin; do sudo chage -M 90 $u; done

4. **Ensure that only the admin has general sudo access.**

    #Check: sudo visudo for admin access

    - Command to add admin to the sudo group:

      sudo usermod -aG sudo admin

Step 3: Create User Group and Collaborative Folder

1. **Add an engineers group to the system.**

    - Command to add group:

      sudo addgroup engineers

2. **Add users sam, joe, amy, and sara to the managed group.**
    - Command to add users to engineers group (include all four users):

      for u in sam joe amy sara; do sudo usermod -G engineers $u; done

      #check: grep 'engineers' /etc/group

3. **Create a shared folder for this group at /home/engineers.**
    - Command to create the shared folder:

      sudo mkdir /home/engineers

4. **Change ownership on the new engineers' shared folder to the engineers group.**

    - Command to change ownership of engineer's shared folder to engineer group:

      sudo chown root:engineers engineers

5. **Add the SGID bit and the sticky bit to allow collaboration between engineers in this directory**.

    - Command to set SGID and sticky bit to shared folder:

      sudo chmod g+s,o+t /home/engineers

Step 4: Lynis Auditing

1. Command to install Lynis:

   sudo apt -y install lynis

2. Command to see documentation and instructions: man lynis

3. Command to run an audit: sudo lynis audit system

4. Provide a report from the Lynis output on what can be done to harden the system.

    - Screenshot of report output:

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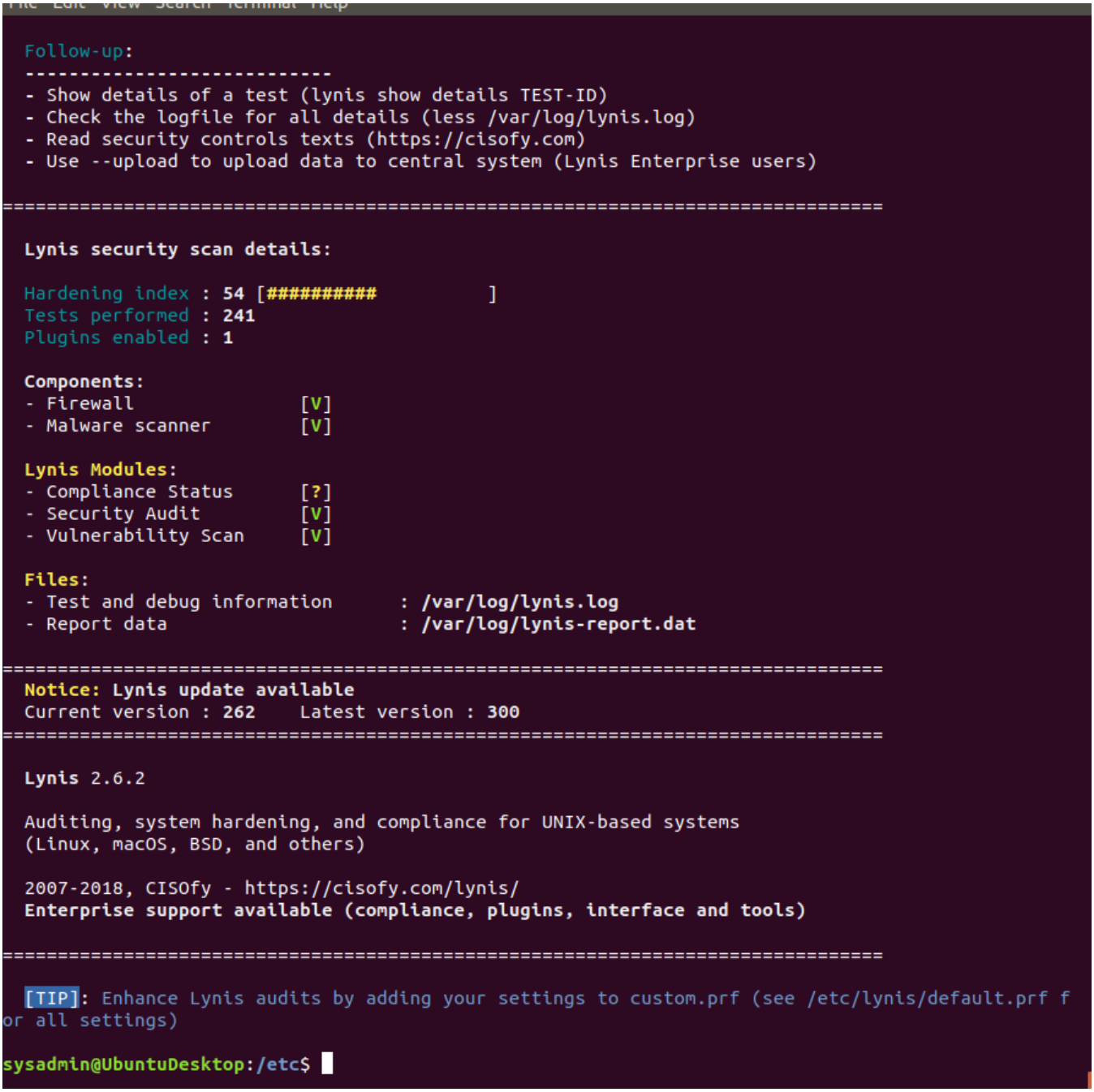
-[Lynis 2.6.2 Results]-

Warnings (5):


Follow-up:
- Show details of a test (lynis show details TEST-ID)
- Check the logfile for all details (less /var/log/lynis.log)
- Read security controls texts (https://cisofy.com)
- Use --upload to upload data to central system (Lynis Enterprise users)
Lynis security scan details:
Hardening index : 54 [##########   ]
Tests performed : 241
Plugins enabled : 1
Components:
- Firewall   [V]
- Malware scanner   [V]
Lynis Modules:
- Compliance Status   [?]
- Security Audit   [V]
- Vulnerability Scan   [V]
Files:
- Test and debug information   : /var/log/lynis.log
- Report data   : /var/log/lynis-report.dat
Notice: Lynis update available
Current version : 262   Latest version : 300
Lynis 2.6.2
Auditing, system hardening, and compliance for UNIX-based systems
(Linux, macOS, BSD, and others)
2007-2018, CISOfy - https://cisofy.com/lynis/
Enterprise support available (compliance, plugins, interface and tools)
[TIP]: Enhance Lynis audits by adding your settings to custom.prf (see /etc/lynis/default.prf for all settings)
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$

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2020-08-06 11:03:35 Starting Lynis 2.6.2 with PID 20441, build date 2018-02-13
2020-08-06 11:03:35 ===-------------------------------------------------------------------===
2020-08-06 11:03:35 ### 2007-2018, CISOfy - https://cisofy.com/lynis/ ###
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Checking permissions of /usr/share/lynis/include/profiles
2020-08-06 11:03:35 File permissions are OK
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Reading profile/configuration /etc/lynis/default.prf
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Action: created temporary file /tmp/lynis.nQO1ydRspt
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Language set via profile to ''
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'authentication' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'compliance' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'configuration' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'control-panels' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'crypto' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'dns' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'docker' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'file-integrity' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'file-systems' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'firewalls' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'forensics' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'hardware' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'intrusion-detection' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.pr
f)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'intrusion-prevention' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.p
rf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'kernel' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'malware' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'memory' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'nginx' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'pam' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'processes' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'security-modules' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'software' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'system-integrity' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'systemd' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'users' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:35 Plugin 'debian' enabled according profile (/etc/lynis/default.prf)
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Set option to default value: NTPD_ROLE --> client
2020-08-06 11:03:36 ===-------------------------------------------------------------------===
2020-08-06 11:03:36 ===-------------------------------------------------------------------===
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Program version:           2.6.2
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Operating system:          Linux
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Operating system name:     Ubuntu Linux
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Operating system version:  18.04
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Kernel version:            5.0.0
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Kernel version (full):     5.0.0-23-generic
2020-08-06 11:03:36 Hardware platform:         x86_64
2020-08-06 11:03:36 ---------------------------------------------------
/var/log/lynis.log
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Bonus

1. Command to install chkrootkit: sudo apt -y install chkrootkit
2. Command to see documentation and instructions: man chkrootkit
3. Command to run expert mode:

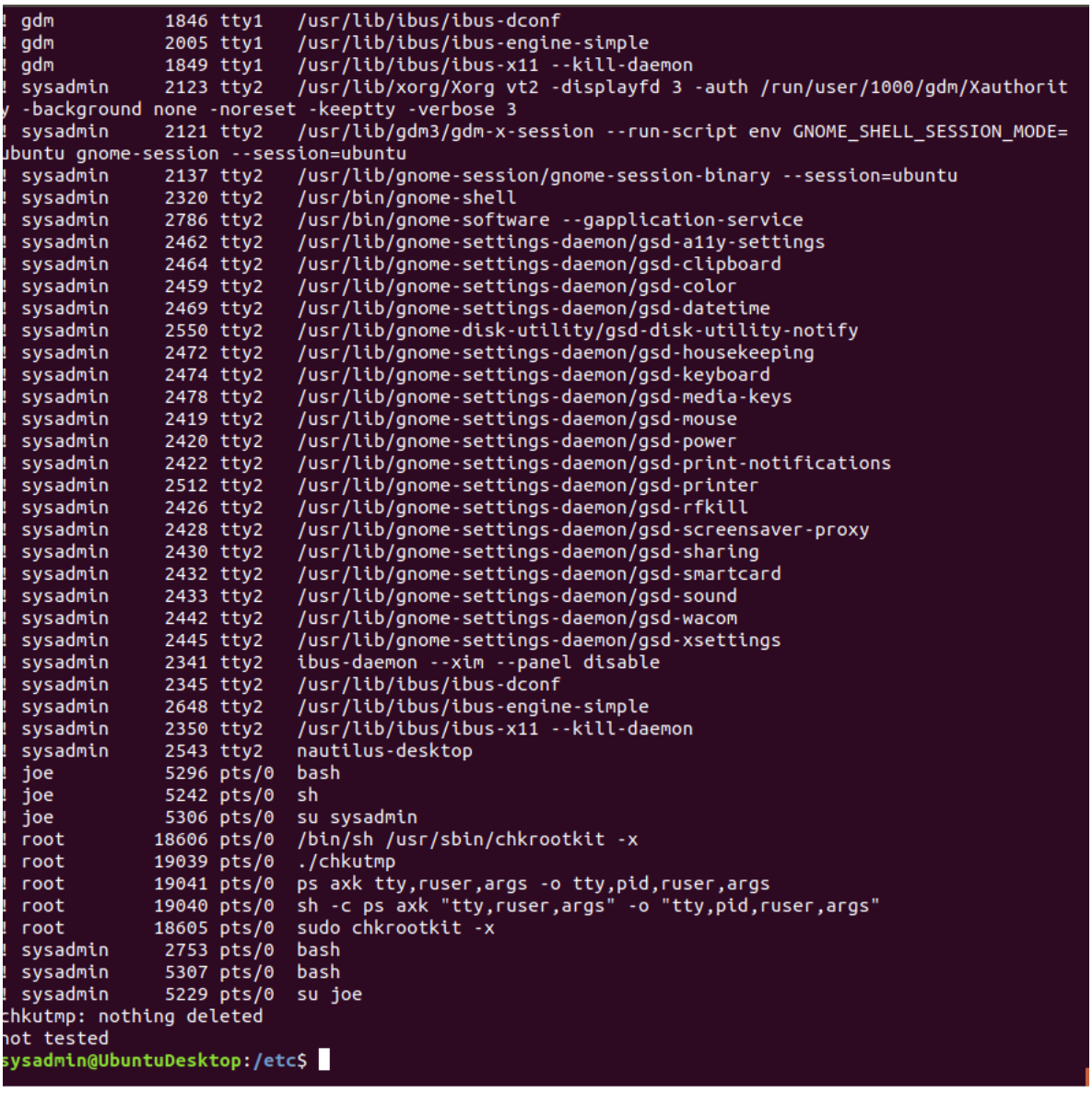
   sudo chkrootkit -x

   sudo chkrootkit -q

   sudo chkrootkit | grep INFECTED

4. Provide a report from the chrootkit output on what can be done to harden the system.

    - Screenshot of end of sample output:



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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo chkrootkit -q

/usr/lib/debug/.build-id /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/container/files/.gi
t_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/container/.travis.yml /usr/lib/python
2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/container/templates/.git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packa
ges/ansible/galaxy/data/default/collection/roles/.git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansib
le/galaxy/data/default/collection/docs/.git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/
data/default/role/files/.git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/default/ro
le/.travis.yml /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/default/role/templates/.git_k
eep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/apb/files/.git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/d
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data/apb/templates/.git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/network/files/.
git_keep /usr/lib/python2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/network/.travis.yml /usr/lib/python
2.7/dist-packages/ansible/galaxy/data/network/templates/.git_keep /lib/modules/5.0.0-23-generic/v
dso/.build-id
/usr/lib/debug/.build-id /lib/modules/5.0.0-23-generic/vdso/.build-id
not tested
INFECTED: Possible Malicious Linux.Xor.DDoS installed
/tmp/rev_shell.sh
/tmp/vagrant-shell
/tmp/a9xk.sh
/tmp/listen.sh
enp0s3: PACKET SNIFFER(/sbin/dhclient[5243])
 The tty of the following user process(es) were not found
 in /var/run/utmp !
! RUID          PID TTY    CMD
! gdm          1797 tty1   /usr/bin/Xwayland :1024 -rootless -terminate -accessx -core -listen 4
-listen 5 -displayfd 6
! gdm          1746 tty1   /usr/lib/gdm3/gdm-wayland-session gnome-session --autostart /usr/share
/gdm/greeter/autostart
! gdm          1751 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-session/gnome-session-binary --autostart /usr/share/gdm
/greeter/autostart
! gdm          1758 tty1   /usr/bin/gnome-shell
! gdm          1887 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-a11y-settings
! gdm          1890 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-clipboard
! gdm          1897 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-color
! gdm          1903 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-datetime
! gdm          1904 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-housekeeping
! gdm          1908 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-keyboard
! gdm          1920 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-media-keys
! gdm          1921 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-mouse
! gdm          1924 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-power
! gdm          1926 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-print-notifications
! gdm          1927 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-rfkill
! gdm          1930 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-screensaver-proxy
! gdm          1938 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sharing
! gdm          1947 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-smartcard
! gdm          1948 tty1   /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sound
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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo chkrootkit | grep INFECTED
Searching for Linux.Xor.DDoS ...                          INFECTED: Possible Malicious Linux.Xo
r.DDoS installed
! sysadmin    19675 pts/0  grep --color=auto INFECTED
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$
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