

# Week 5 Homework Submission File: Archiving and Logging Data

Please edit this file by adding the solution commands on the line below the prompt.

Save and submit the completed file for your homework submission.

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## Step 1: Create, Extract, Compress, and Manage tar Backup Archives

1. Command to **extract** the TarDocs.tar archive to the current directory:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/projects$ tar -xvzf TarDocs.tar
```

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/projects$ ls
TarDocs  TarDocs.tar
```

2. Command to **create** the Javaless\_Doc.tar archive from the TarDocs/ directory, while excluding the TarDocs/Documents/Java directory:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/projects$ tar -cvvzf javaless_doc.tar --exclude "TarDocs/Documents/Java" TarDocs
```

3. Command to ensure Java/ is not in the new Javaless\_Docs.tar archive:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/projects$ tar -tvzf javaless_doc.tar | grep Java
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/projects$
```

## Bonus

- Command to create an incremental archive called logs\_backup\_tar.gz with only changed files to snapshot.file for the /var/log directory:

Not performed

## Critical Analysis Question

- Why wouldn't you use the options -x and -c at the same time with tar?

The option “-x” is to extract and “-c” is to create. They cannot be used together because a tar file cannot be extracted and then created or vice versa at the same time. Therefore they must be performed sequentially as for them to function simultaneously cannot be done.

## Step 2: Create, Manage, and Automate Cron Jobs

1. Cron job for backing up the /var/log/auth.log file:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/projects$ crontab -e
```

```
# 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
0 6 * * 3 sudo tar -cvvf auth_backup.tgz var/log/auth.log

PATH=$PATH ~/projects/
```

So this process will only happen every Wednesday at 6am, and only if the system is active. If we check the directory right now, there will be nothing.

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/var/log$ grep -f "auth_backup.tgz"
grep: auth_backup.tgz: No such file or directory
```

### Step 3: Write Basic Bash Scripts

1. Brace expansion command to create the four subdirectories:  
No directory is specified other than a general “backup” directory, so we will make one in our home directory including all four of the required directories.

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo mkdir -p backups/{freemem,diskuse,openlist,freedisk}
```

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls backups/
diskuse  freedisk  freemem  openlist
```

Paste your system.sh script edits below:

```
#!/bin/bash
```

2. #For memory:
- 3.
4. free -m > backups/freemem/free\_mem.txt
- 5.
6. #For disk usage in human readable form:
- 7.
8. df -BM -h > backups/diskuse/disk\_usage.txt
- 9.
10. #For all open files:
- 11.
12. lsod > backups/openlist/open\_list.txt
- 13.
14. #For file system disk space and statistics:
- 15.
16. df -k -BM -h | awk '{print \$1,\$4}' > backups/freedisk/free\_disk.txt
- 17.
18. #End of script
- 19.

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#End of script
```

Command to make the system.sh script executable:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ chmod +x system.sh
```

## Optional

- Commands to test the script and confirm its execution:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ bash ./system.sh
```

## Bonus

- Command to copy system to system-wide cron directory:

```
Sudo cp system.sh /etc/cron.weekly
```

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## Step 4. Manage Log File Sizes

1. Run `sudo nano /etc/logrotate.conf` to edit the logrotate configuration file.

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo vim /etc/logrotate.conf
```

Configure a log rotation scheme that backs up authentication messages to the `/var/log/auth.log`.

- Add your config file edits below:

```
# see "man logrotate" for details
# rotate log files weekly
weekly

# use the syslog group by default, since this is the owning group
# of /var/log/syslog.
su root syslog

# keep 4 weeks worth of backlogs
rotate 4

# create new (empty) log files after rotating old ones
create
#If empty
notifempty

# uncomment this if you want your log files compressed
compress
delaycompress

# packages drop log rotation information into this directory
include /etc/logrotate.d
```

2.

```
3. # system-specific logs may be configured here
   /var/log/auth.log {
       Weekly
       rotate 7
       Notifempty
       Delaycompress
       Missingok
       endsript
   }
```

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## Bonus: Check for Policy and File Violations

1. Command to verify auditd is active:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ systemctl status auditd
● auditd.service - Security Auditing Service
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/auditd.service; enabled; vendor preset: e
   Active: active (running) since Wed 2022-02-16 17:52:35 EST; 3min 41s ago
     Docs: man:auditd(8)
           https://github.com/linux-audit/audit-documentation
   Process: 767 ExecStartPost=/sbin/augenrules --load (code=exited, status=1/FAIL
   Process: 736 ExecStart=/sbin/auditd (code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)
  Main PID: 763 (auditd)
    Tasks: 2 (limit: 4675)
   CGroup: /system.slice/auditd.service
           └─763 /sbin/auditd

Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: -S syscall      Build rul
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: -t              Trim dire
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: -v              Version
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: -w <path>        Insert wa
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: -W <path>        Remove wa
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: --loginuid-immutable Make lo
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: --backlog_wait_time Set the
Feb 16 17:52:38 UbuntuDesktop augenrules[767]: --reset-lost     Reset th
Feb 16 17:52:34 UbuntuDesktop systemd[1]: Starting Security Auditing Service...
```

2. Command to set number of retained logs and maximum log file size:
  - Add the edits made to the configuration file below:

**Sudo vim /etc/audit/auditd.conf**

max\_log\_file = 35

num\_logs = 7

```

#
# This file controls the configuration of the audit daemon
#

local_events = yes
write_logs = yes
log_file = /var/log/audit/audit.log
log_group = adm
log_format = RAW
flush = INCREMENTAL_ASYNC
freq = 50
max_log_file = 35
num_logs = 7
priority_boost = 4
disp_qos = lossy
dispatcher = /sbin/audispd
name_format = NONE
##name = mydomain
max_log_file_action = ROTATE
space_left = 75
space_left_action = SYSLOG
verify_email = yes
action_mail_acct = root
-- INSERT --

```

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3. Command using auditd to set rules for /etc/shadow, /etc/passwd and /var/log/auth.log:

- Sudo vim /etc/audit/rules.d/audit.rules

Permissions:

-w /etc/shadow -p wra -k hashpass\_audit

-w /etc/shadow -p wra -k userpass\_audit

-w /var/log/auth.log -p wra -k authlog\_audit

4. Command to restart auditd:

**Sudo systemctl restart auditd**

5. Command to list all auditd rules:

**Sudo auditctl -l**

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo auditctl -l
[sudo] password for sysadmin:
-w /etc/shadow -p rwa -k hashpass_audit
-w /etc/passwd -p rwa -k userpass_audit
-w /var/log/auth.log -p rwa -k authlog_audit
```

6. Command to produce an audit report:

**Sudo aureport -au**

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo vim /etc/audit/rules.d/audit.rules
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo aureport -au

Authentication Report
=====
# date time acct host term exe success event
=====
1. 10/16/2021 15:38:04 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/1 /usr/bin/sudo yes 414
2. 10/16/2021 15:38:19 haxor ? /dev/pts/0 /bin/su no 469
3. 10/16/2021 15:38:50 root ? /dev/pts/0 /bin/su yes 491
4. 10/16/2021 15:39:39 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/0 /bin/su yes 623
5. 10/16/2021 15:39:54 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/0 /usr/bin/sudo no 650
6. 10/16/2021 15:40:11 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/0 /usr/bin/sudo no 771
7. 10/16/2021 15:41:28 sysadmin UbuntuDesktop pts/0 /usr/lib/policykit-1/polkit-agent-helper-1 yes 814
8. 10/16/2021 15:41:41 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/0 /usr/bin/sudo no 845
9. 10/16/2021 15:41:51 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/0 /usr/bin/sudo no 851
10. 10/16/2021 15:42:24 sysadmin ? /dev/pts/0 /usr/bin/sudo no 880
```

7. Create a user with sudo useradd attacker and produce an audit report that lists account modifications:

**Sudo aureport -m**

8. Command to use auditd to watch /var/log/cron:

**Sudo auditctl -w /var/log/cron**

9. Command to verify auditd rules:

**sudo auditctl -l**

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo auditctl -w /var/log/cron
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/etc$ sudo auditctl -l
-w /etc/shadow -p rwa -k hashpass_audit
-w /etc/passwd -p rwa -k userpass_audit
-w /var/log/auth.log -p rwa -k authlog_audit
-w /var/log/cron -p rwa
```