

MySQL/PostgreSQL: Changing Passwords

Changing sql passwords

Type of Systems: Ubuntu/Linux

Necessary Skills: Linux admin

Complete Goal: Password update both in database and websites.

Steps:

PostgreSQL:

1. Login: `psql DaDATABASENAME USERNAME`
2. Change password:

```
ALTER USER user_name WITH PASSWORD 'new_password';
```

MySQL:

1. Login with `mysql -u root -p`
2. Select mysql table: `use mysql;`
3. Change password

a. Version 5.7.5 or older:

```
SET PASSWORD FOR 'user-name-here'@'hostname' = PASSWORD('new-password');
```

b. Version 5.7.6 or newer:

```
ALTER USER 'user'@'hostname' IDENTIFIED BY 'newPass';
```

4. Update with `flush privileges;`
5. Change password wherever mysql is called. Check all websites that use the user whose password changed to access the database.
 - a. Find where sql is connected?
 - b. Update password parameter?
 - c. Profit.

Relevant Info:

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Appendix:

Sources:

Resetting permissions:

<https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.5/en/resetting-permissions.html>

Change PostgreSQL password:

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/12720967/how-to-change-postgresql-user-password>