

1. Password Reset on Linux Box

- o <https://swordfish.wordpress.com/2006/06/23/openbsd-hack-single-user-mode-reset-root-password/> (openbsd)
- o Hold Left-shift
- o Get in the grub config file
- o Look for line "Linux /boot/vmlinuz ... **init=/bin/bash**"
- o Press Control-X
- o mount -o rw,remount /
- o passwd <change-password>

2. Change passwords for all user accounts

- o cat /etc/passwd
- o cat /etc/shadow #check for hashes
- o passwd
- o Check accounts for empty passwords
 - i. cat /etc/shadow | awk -F: '(\$2=="") {print \$1}'

3. Check sudoers file

- o Remove sudo root without password authentication
- o Check /etc/group
- o sudo EDITOR=vim visudo

4. Check cronjobs

- o crontab -l (for each user)
- o ls -la /etc/cron.*

5. Check bash history

- o history
- o tail /var/log/auth.log

6. Set bash history to be erased after logging out

- o unset BASHHIST
- o unset BASHFILE

7. List running services

- o ps ax (list all running procs)
- o ps aux username (specify a user to see their procs)
- o **Turn off unnecessary**
 - i. service <serviceName> stop
 - ii. chkconfig <serviceName> off

8. List open ports

- o netstat -tulpn
- o netstat -anp | grep LISTEN | grep -v STREAM
- o lsof -nPi (show all listening ports in lsof, not sure the diff here)

9. Host firewall

- **Save IPtables to a file**
 - i. `sudo sh -c "iptables-save > /etc/iptables.rules"`
- **Restore ip tables**
 - i. `iptables-restore < /etc/iptables.rules`
 - ii. `iptables-save`
- **Inside /etc/iptables.rules**
- `iptables -t filter -F`
- `iptables -t filter -X`
- `iptables -P INPUT DROP`
- `iptables -P FORWARD DROP`
- `iptables -P OUTPUT DROP`
- `iptables -A INPUT -m conntrack --ctstate ESTABLISHED,RELATED -j ACCEPT`
- `iptables -A INPUT -p tcp -m tcp --dport <port #> -j ACCEPT`
- `iptables -A INPUT -i lo -j ACCEPT`
- `iptables -A OUTPUT -o lo -j ACCEPT`
- `iptables -A INPUT -m conntrack --ctstate ESTABLISHED,RELATED -j ACCEPT`
- `iptables -A OUTPUT -p udp -m multiport --dport <port#>,<port2#>,<begin#:end#> -j ACCEPT`
- `iptables -A OUTPUT -p tcp -m multiport --dport <port1#>,<port2#>,<begin#:end#> -j ACCEPT`
- <https://help.ubuntu.com/community/IptablesHowTo>
- `man iptables`
- `man iptables-extensions`
- **Block ip-address**
- `iptables -A INPUT -s <ip-address> -j DROP`
- `iptables -A OUTPUT -d <ip-address> -j DROP`

10. Kernel patches / kernel protection

- **Update**
- `sudo apt-get update`
- `sudo apt-get dist-upgrade`
- **Patch and protect Kernel**
- `# Turn on execshield`
- `kernel.exec-shield=1`
- `kernel.randomize_va_space=2`
- `# Enable IP spoofing protection`
- `net.ipv4.conf.all.rp_filter=1`
- `# Disable IP source routing`

- o net.ipv4.conf.all.accept_source_route=0
- o # Ignoring broadcasts request
- o net.ipv4.icmp_echo_ignore_broadcasts=1
- o net.ipv4.icmp_ignore_bogus_error_messages=1
- o # Make sure spoofed packets get logged
- o net.ipv4.conf.all.log_martians = 1

11. Change folders and ssh settings

- o **Check for malicious scripts here** /tmp/
- o **For ssh**
- o vim /etc/ssh/sshd_config
 - i. PermitRootLogin no
 - ii. AllowUsers <username>
 - iii. Protocol 2
- o ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
- o /root/.ssh/authorized_keys

12. Check for users inside

- o last
- o w #how logged users
- o Who -p

13. Check logs

- o tail -f /var/log/message - Where whole system logs or current activity logs are available.
- o tail -f /var/log/auth.log - Authentication logs.
- o tail -f /var/log/apache/error.log

- o /var/log/kern.log - Kernel logs.
- o /var/log/cron.log - Crond logs (cron job).
- o /var/log/maillog - Mail server logs.
- o /var/log/boot.log - System boot log.
- o /var/log/mysqld.log - MySQL database server log file.
- o /var/log/secure - Authentication log.
- o /var/log/utmp or /var/log/wtmp : Login records file.
- o /var/log/yum.log: Yum log files.

Logging Procedure

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mkdir -p ~/logs/initial      (make a folder in your home directory
                             called logs, inside it make a folder called initial)
cd ~/logs                    (change working dir to that new
                             folder)
sudo cp -R /var/log/ .       (copy the whole log folder!)
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mv log initial          (rename the newly copied folder to
something different (preferably that indicates time stamp) yay
nested parens)
diff -r /var/log initial (compare the current /var/log dir
with your copy)
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14. Change mysql settings

15. Disable ipv6

- o # vi /etc/sysconfig/network
- o NETWORKING_IPV6=no
- o IPV6INIT=no

- o **Disable IPv6:**
- o open file /etc/modprobe.d/aliases
- o vi /etc/modprobe.d/aliases
- o Find the line:
- o alias net-pf-10 ipv6
- o Replace with:
- o alias net-pf-10 off
- o alias ipv6 off
- o Save and close the file.

16. Possibly chattr i shadow file

17. Install fail2ban

- o apt-get update && apt-get upgrade -y
- o apt-get install fail2ban
- o (fedora) dnf install fail2ban
- o (centos) yum install fail2ban

18. Common-tasks:

- o Check for no passwords
- o Setuid binaries
 - i. #See all set user id files:
 - ii. find / -perm +4000
 - iii. # See all group id files
 - iv. find / -perm +2000
 - v. # Or combine both in a single command
 - vi. find / \(-perm -4000 -o -perm -2000 \) -print
 - vii. find / -path -prune -o -type f -perm +6000 -ls
- o ASLR

19. Block an ip address

- `iptables -A INPUT -s 202.54.20.22 -j DROP`
- `iptables -A OUTPUT -d 202.54.20.22 -j DROP`