Lab 1: Configuration and Secure Raspberry Pi

Lab Overview:

This lab will help us in assembling, configuring, and securing the Raspberry Pi. Raspberry Pi will be used as a computer in this lab.

Requirements:

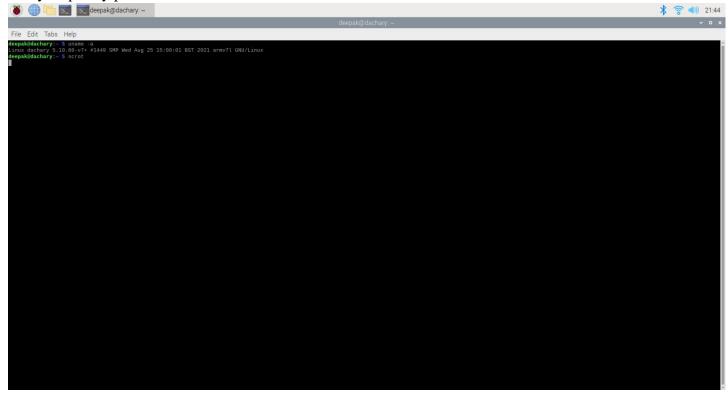
This lab requires raspberry pi 3B+, NOOB installed sd card, HDMI cable, monitor, mouse, and a keyboard.

Initial Step:

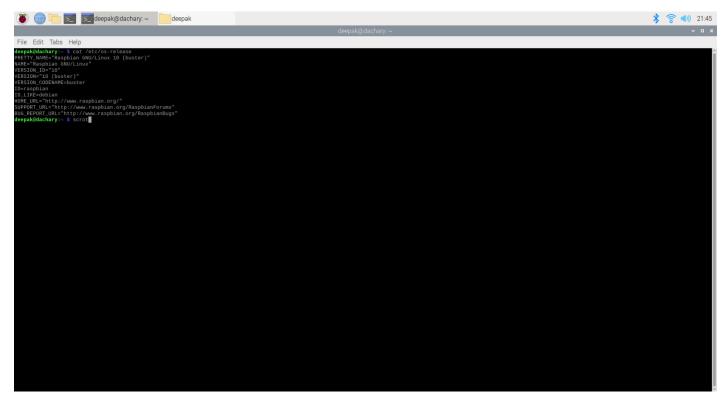
The initial step is to install NOOB or Raspberry OS (Raspbian OS) in the SD card and assemble them as per the instruction in class and the links provided.

a. Version of OS

i. uname -a: This command will give version of the OS installed in my raspberry pi. The version of my raspberry pi is 5.10.60-v7+ as shown in the screenshot below.



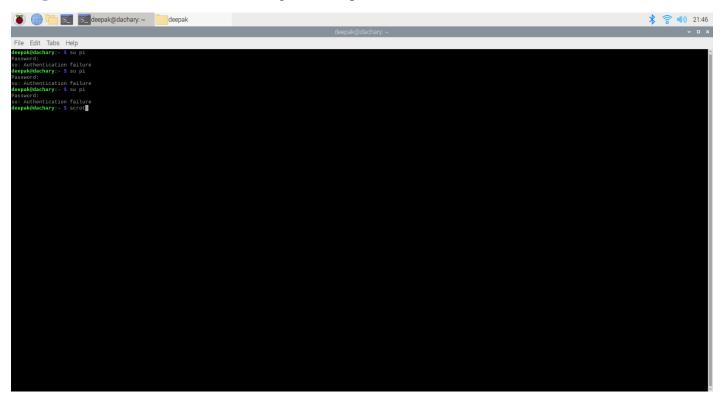
ii. cat/etc/os-release: This command will show the OS release version. The OS release for my raspberry OS is Raspbian GNU/Linux 10 (buster) as shown in the figure below.



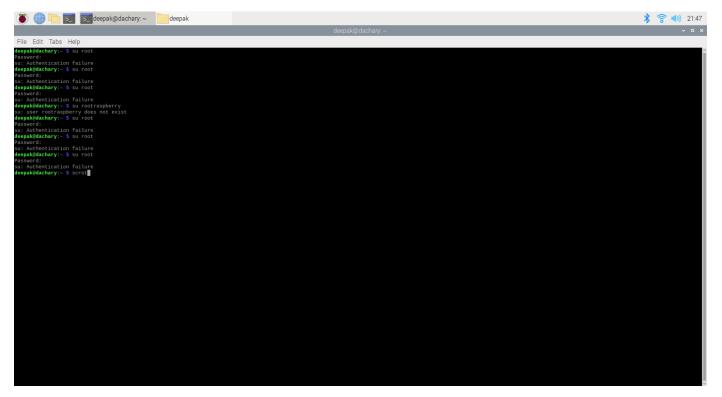
b. Default UserID security

As we know that most of the security breaches and attacks in past are result of default password. Thus, we need to make our raspberry pi secure by making the password harder to guess. Passwords like <none>, pi, admin, root, toor, password are some of the commonly used passwords. In the further steps we will change the passwords to something harder not default. The proof changed password is shown in following screenshot.

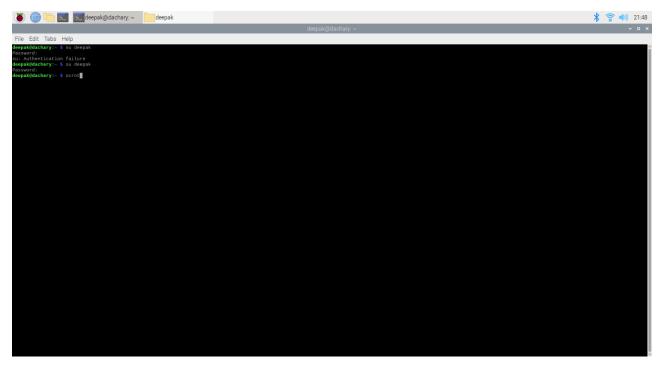
i. su pi: This command will ask user to login to user pi.



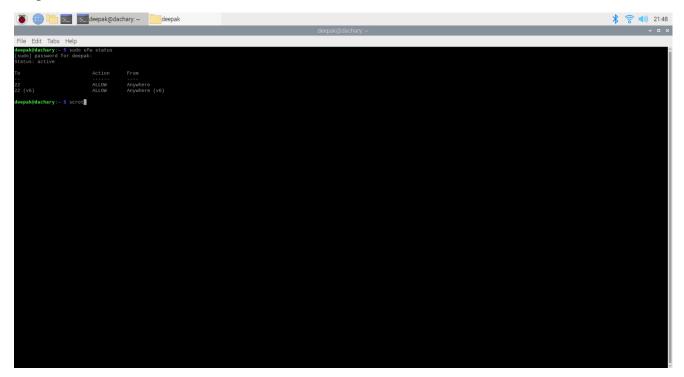
ii. su root: This command will attempt to log in as user root.



c. su username: In this step we will test all the default passwords and finally will use password I created to login to my username as shown in the screenshot below. I successfully logged in to user Deepak by using my secure password.



d. sudo ufw status: This command will see all the firewall rule in my raspberry pi. Only port 22 is open as shown in the screenshot below.



e. Connect to WIFI and show IP and MAC address of WIFI interface: This step shows the connectivity of raspberry pi to my home network. As we can see in the screenshot, my raspberry pi is connected to my home WIFI named "". In the screenshot we can also see that the IP address for my network is and the MAC address is."



Conclusion:

In this way, I was able to assemble all the parts of the raspberry pi and configure it by using the secure settings to run my pi. From this lab, I knew how to use a raspberry pi as a computer and knew the security that are to be applied to use it securely. The fact that amazed me in this lab was a small chip and a bootable SD card that can be used as a fully functioning computer.