

Cybersecurity Professional Program **Linux Security** 

# Services and Hardening

LNX-05-L2 Install and Configure Samba

## **C** Lab Objective

Understand how to transfer files between Windows and Linux using Samba and FTP.



#### **Lab Mission**

Perform a basic configuration of Samba, provide access to Samba shares via an MS Windows client machine, and create an FTP server to transfer files from another machine.



### (S) Lab Duration

30-40 minutes



- Knowledge of FTP commands
- Knowledge of the Samba protocol
- Working knowledge of operating systems



- **Environment & Tools** 
  - VirtualBox
    - Debian
  - Windows

#### Lab Task 1: Samba Setup

In this task, you will install the Samba service in the Debian VM.

1 Open the terminal in the Debian machine and use the command **su** – to switch to the root user.

```
john@debian: ~ x
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john@debian: ~$ su -
Password:
root@debian: ~#
```

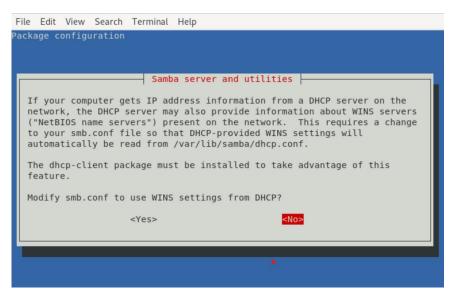
2 Use the command *apt install samba -y* to install the Samba service.

```
john@debian: ~ x

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root@debian: ~# apt install samba -y
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
```

**3** When prompted, select *No*.



4 Use the command *nano /etc/samba/smb.conf* to access the service configuration file.



**5** Scroll to the end of the file and add the following information:

[Files]: The name of the share

**comment = my files**: Brief comment describing the share

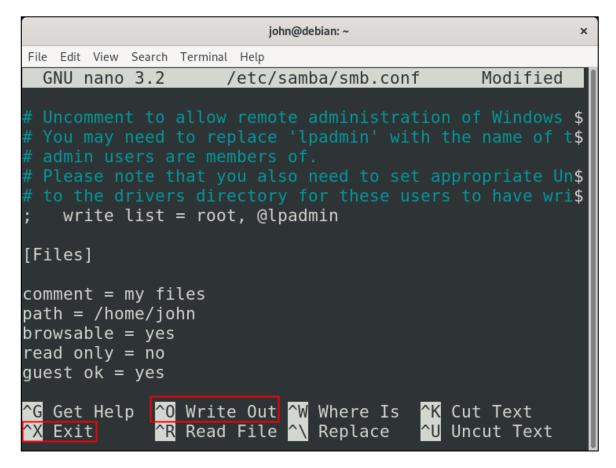
path = /home/<your user>: Absolute path to the share

**browsable = yes**: If users can browse to the share

**read only = no**: If users can write to the share

guest ok = yes: If guests can access the share

Save and exit the file.



6 Use the command *smbpasswd -a <user>* to add your user to the SMB service. Enter a new password when asked.

```
john@debian:~ x

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root@debian:~# smbpasswd -a john

New SMB password:

Retype new SMB password:

Added user john.

root@debian:~#
```

7 Use the command *service smbd restart* to activate the service. Use the command *service smbd status* to verify it is active.

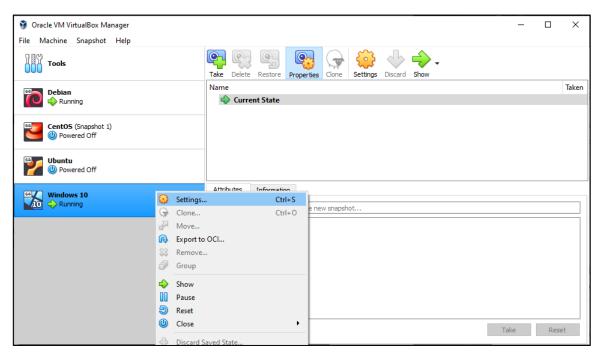
```
john@debian:~
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root@debian:~# service smbd restart
root@debian:~# service smbd status
• smbd.service - Samba SMB Daemon
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/smbd.service; en
   Active: active (running) since Wed 2020-09-30 05:24:
   Docs: man:smbd(8)
```

#### Lab Task 2: Connect to the Share

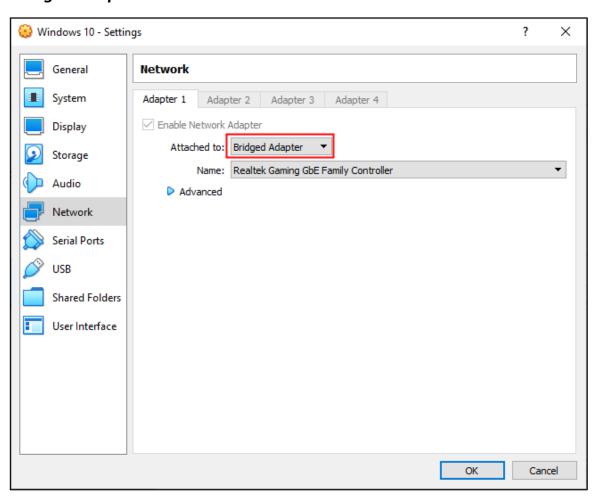
In this task, you will connect to the directory shared in Debian from a Windows machine. Use an existing Windows machine (virtual or host). If you don't have a Windows machine, follow the Windows 10 installation guide to create one.

**Note:** If you install a new Windows VM, follow only the first three procedures in the installation guide.

1 Open your Windows VM settings by right-clicking the VM and selecting **Settings...** 



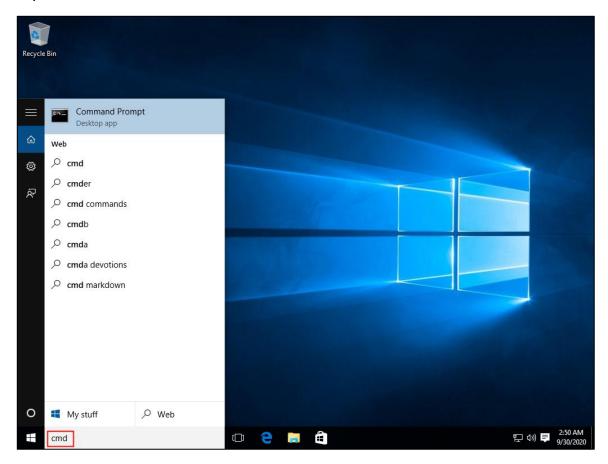
2 In the settings window, navigate to **Network** and ensure the adapter is set to **Bridged Adapter**.



In your Debian machine, use the command *ip a* to check its IP address.

```
john@debian: ~
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root@debian:~# ip a
1: lo: <LOOPBACK, UP, LOWER UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN gro
up default glen 1000
   link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
   inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
      valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
2: enp0s3: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo_fast
state UP group default glen 1000
    link/ether 08:00:27:6d:00:ff brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 192.168.1.12/24 brd 192.168.1.255 scope global dynamic enp0s3
      valid lft 2993sec preferred lft 2993sec
    ary dynamic
      valid lft 602587sec preferred lft 83892sec
   inet6 2a00:a040:19c:a2e7:a00:27ff:fe6d:ff/64 scope global dynamic m
ngtmpaddr noprefixroute
      valid lft 808165sec preferred lft 330575sec
   inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe6d:ff/64 scope link noprefixroute
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
root@debian:~#
```

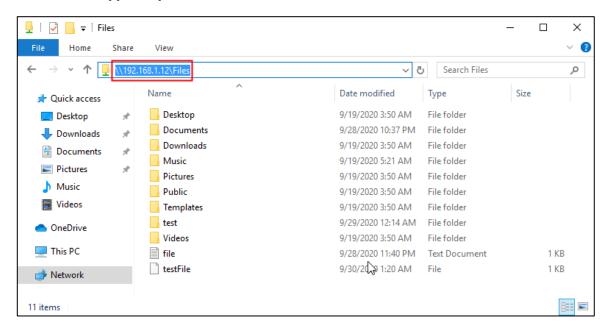
4 Open the CMD in the Windows machine.



5 Use the command *ping < Debian IP>* to verify both machines can communicate.

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 Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.10240]
(c) 2015 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
C:\Users\John>ping 192.168.1.12
Pinging 192.168.1.12 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 192.168.1.12: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=64
Reply from 192.168.1.12: bytes=32 time=1ms TTL=64
Reply from 192.168.1.12: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=64
Reply from 192.168.1.12: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=64
Ping statistics for 192.168.1.12:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
   Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 1ms, Average = 0ms
C:\Users\John>_
```

Open the File Explorer in Windows and insert the path to the Debian's shared file as follows: \\<IP>\Files



#### Lab Task 3: Install the FTP Server

Create an FTP server and transfer files to it.

1 In the Debian machine, use the command *apt install ftp -y* to install the FTP service.

```
john@debian: ~ ×

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root@debian: ~# apt install ftp -y

Reading package lists... Done

Building dependency tree

Reading state information... Done

The following packages were automatically installed and are no lo
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2 Use the command *apt install vsftpd -y* to install the vsftpd service.

```
john@debian: ~ ×

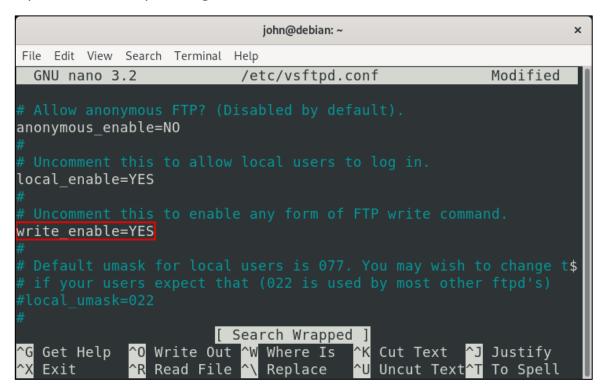
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root@debian: ~# apt install vsftpd -y
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following packages were automatically installed and are no lo
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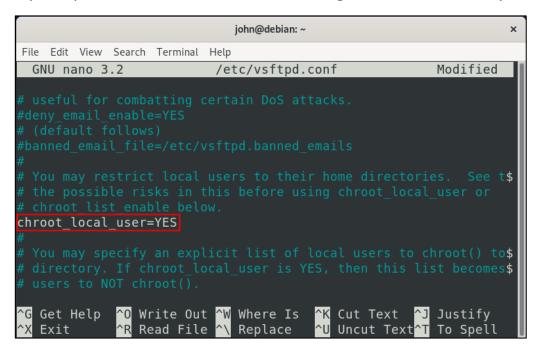
3 Use the command *nano /etc/vsftpd.conf* to open the service's configuration file.

```
john@debian: ~ x
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root@debian: ~# nano /etc/vsftpd.conf
```

4 Use *Ctrl + w* to search for the option *write\_enable=YES* and uncomment it. This option enables uploading files to Debian.



Use Ctrl + w to search for the option chroot\_local\_user=YES and uncomment it.
This option prevents all local users from leaving their home directory.



Add the option *allow\_writeable\_chroot=YES* to the end of the file and uncomment it. This option bypasses the check for write permission in the vsftpd config file. Save and exit the file.

7 Use the command chmod a+w /home/<your user> to provide everyone with write permission to your home directory. Verify it with the Is -I /home/command.

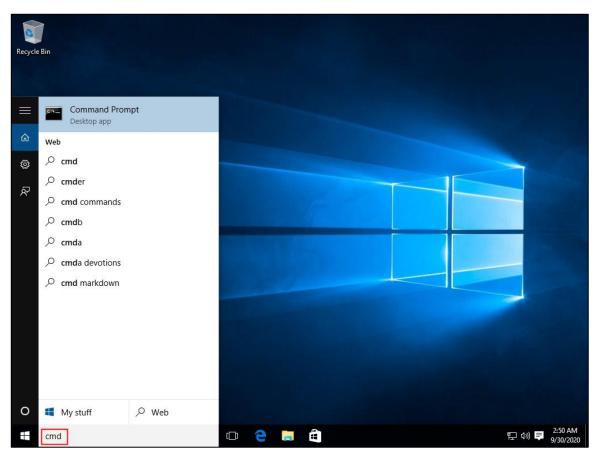
```
john@debian: ~ x
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root@debian: ~# chmod a+w /home/john/
root@debian: ~# ls -l /home/
total 8
drwxr-xr-x 2 jane jane 4096 Sep 29 03:13 jane
drwxrwxrwx 17 john john 4096 Sep 30 06:06 john
root@debian: ~#
```

8 Use the command *service vsftpd restart* to restart the service. Then use the command *service vsftpd status* to verify the service is active.

#### Lab Task 4: Connect to the FTP Server

In this task, you will connect from the Windows machine to the FTP service installed on the Debian machine.

1 In the Windows machine, open the CMD.



2 Use the command *echo "Hello World" > ftpTransfer.txt* to create a new file with the "Hello World" text.

```
Command Prompt - X

Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.10240]
(c) 2015 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Users\John>echo "Hello World" > ftpTransfer.txt
```

3 In the CMD, use the command *dir* to verify the file was created.

```
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 Command Prompt
C:\Users\John>dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
 Volume Serial Number is CAC7-9E44
Directory of C:\Users\John
09/30/2020
           03:27 AM
                        <DIR>
09/30/2020 03:27 AM
                        <DIR>
09/30/2020 02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Contacts
09/30/2020 02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Desktop
09/30/2020
                                       Documents
           02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
09/30/2020
           02:46 AM
                                       Downloads
                        <DIR>
09/30/2020 02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Favorites
                                    16 ftpTransfer.txt
09/30/2020 03:27 AM
09/30/2020 02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Links
09/30/2020 02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Music
09/30/2020 02:49 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       OneDrive
09/30/2020 02:47 AM
                                       Pictures
                        <DIR>
09/30/2020
                                       Saved Games
           02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
09/30/2020
           02:47 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Searches
09/30/2020 02:46 AM
                        <DIR>
                                       Videos
              1 File(s)
                                     16 bytes
              14 Dir(s) 35,367,907,328 bytes free
C:\Users\John>
```

4 In the CMD, use the command *ftp <Debian IP>* to open the connection to the FTP server. Specify your username and password when requested.

```
C:\Users\John>ftp 192.168.1.12

Connected to 192.168.1.12.

220 (vsFTPd 3.0.3)

200 Always in UTF8 mode.

User (192.168.1.12:(none)): john

331 Please specify the password.

Password:

230 Login successful.

ftp>
```

5 Use the command *put ftpTransfer.txt* to upload the *ftpTransfer.txt* file to the FTP server.

```
User (192.168.1.12:(none)): john
331 Please specify the password.
Password:
230 Login successful.
ftp> put ftpTransfer.txt
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Ok to send data.
226 Transfer complete.
ftp: 16 bytes sent in 0.00Seconds 16000.00Kbytes/sec.
ftp>
```

6 In the Debian machine, check if the file exists in your home directory by running the *Is -I /home/[user]* command.

```
john@debian: ~
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root@debian:~# ls -l /home/john
total 48
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 19 06:50 Desktop
drwxr-xr-x 3 john john 4096 Sep 29 01:37 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 19 06:50 Downloads
-rw-rw-rw- 1 john john 45 Sep 29 02:40 file.txt
drwxr-xr-x 5 john john 4096 Sep 19 08:21 Music
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 19 06:50 Pictures
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 19 06:50 Public
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 19 06:50 Templates
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 29 03:14 test
-rw-r--r-- 1 john john
                       10 Sep 30 04:20 testFile
drwxr-xr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 19 06:50 Videos
root@debian:~#
```