# **Project II - Password Hardening with 2FA**

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# **Task1: Implementing 2FA**

1. TEST CASE 1

Home folder:

# Contents of /etc/passwd:

```
geoclue:x:118:124::/var/lib/geoclue:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnome-initial-setup:x:119:65534::/run/gnome-initial-setup/:/bin/false
gdm:x:120:125:Gnome Display Manager:/var/lib/gdm3:/bin/false
cups-pk-helper:x:121:116:user for cups-pk-helper service,,,:/home/cups-pk-helper
:/usr/sbin/nologin
sshd:x:122:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
```

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gnome-initial-setup:*:17647:0:99999:7:::
gdm:*:17647:0:99999:7:::
cups-pk-helper:*:18495:0:99999:7:::
sshd:*:18495:0:99999:7:::
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szpNfbT7WqpDGcDRAQN6hpEi1:17732:0:99999:7:::
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
```

```
cs6238@CS6238: ~/Desktop/2FA
                                     File Edit View Search Terminal Help
cs6238@CS6238:~$ cd Desktop/2FA/
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ ./token generator
Thunderbird Mail ~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
                                              Enter '1' for registring new User or '2' for g
[sudo] password for cs6238:
                                              enerating token for existing user or '3' for d
Enter '1' for creating new user or '2' for
                                             eleting user acount: 1
login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
                                             Enter the new user id:Ann
or deleting user account: 1
                                              Enter PIN for the account:rwdg@4
Enter username: Ann
                                              eYKCaN0kLB7T0.3Q.vPs40
Enter Password for the Ann : Ann@123456789
                                              Enter 'Y' or 'y' whether task completed succes
Enter the salt: cs6238@1
                                              sfully: y
Enter initial token: eYKCaN0kLB7T0.30.vPs40
                                              User: Ann created
SUCESS: Ann created
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
                                              File Edit View Search Terminal Help
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$ ls
                                              Ann cs6238
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:/usr/sbin/nologin
sshd:x:122:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
Ann:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/Ann:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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94w.CcPDYDVhVqBX10cfA/:17710:0:99999:7:::
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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                                              File Edit View Search Terminal Help
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
                                             eYKCaN0kLB7T0.30.vPs40
                                             Enter 'Y' or 'y' whether task completed succes
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[sudo] password for cs6238:
                                             sfully: y
Enter '1' for creating new user or '2' for
                                             User: Ann created
login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ ./token_generator
or deleting user account: 1
Enter username: Ann
                                             Enter '1' for registring new User or '2' for g
Enter Password for the Ann : Ann@123456789
                                             enerating token for existing user or '3' for d
Enter the salt: cs6238@1
                                             eleting user acount: 1
Enter initial token: eYKCaN0kLB7T0.30.vPs40
                                             Enter the new user id:Ben
                                             Enter PIN for the account:123456
SUCESS: Ann created
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FAS sudo python 2F
                                             iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zYE1B/
                                             Enter 'Y' or 'y' whether task completed succes
Enter '1' for creating new user or '2' for
                                             sfully: y
login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
                                             User: Ben created
or deleting user account: 1
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
Enter username: Ben
                                                                                      cs6238@CS6238: /home
Enter Password for the Ben : Ben@123456
Enter the salt: cs6238@2
                                              File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Enter initial token: iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zYE1B/
                                             cs6238@CS6238:/home$ ls
SUCESS: Ben created
                                             Ann Ben cs6238
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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:/usr/sbin/nologin
sshd:x:122:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
Ann:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/Ann:/bin/bash
Ben:x:1002:1002:,,,:/home/Ben:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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Enter Password for the Ann: Ann@123456789
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                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
SUCESS: Ann created
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
A.py
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
Enter '1' for creating new user or '2' for
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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Enter initial token: iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zYE1B/
                                             Enter the new user id:Ann
SUCESS: Ben created
                                              User already exist
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
А.ру
                                                            cs6238@CS6238: /home
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                                              File Edit View Search Terminal Help
or deleting user account: 1
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$ ls
Enter username: Ann
                                             Ann Ben cs6238
FAILURE: user Ann already exists
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
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Enter initial token: iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zYE1B/
                                             cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
SUCESS: Ben created
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ ./token generator
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login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
                                              enerating token for existing user or '3' for d
or deleting user account: 1
                                             eleting user acount: 2
Enter username: Ann
                                              Enter the user id:Ben
FAILURE: user Ann already exists
                                              Enter PIN for the Ben :123456
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
                                              ('iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zYE1B/', 'XRcyVF5J5jYa/YHCYo
                                              Kdl.')
                                              Enter 'Y' or 'y' whether task completed succes
Enter '1' for creating new user or '2' for
login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
                                             sfully: y
or deleting user account: 2
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
Enter username : Ben
                                                                                       cs6238@CS6238: /home
Enter Password for the Ben : Ben@123456
Enter the current token: iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zY
                                              File Edit View Search Terminal Help
E1B/
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$ ls
Enter the next token: XRcyVF5J5jYa/YHCYoKdl
                                             Ann Ben cs6238
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$
SUCCESS: Login successful.
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
Ann:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/Ann:/bin/bash
Ben:x:1002:1002:,,,:/home/Ben:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
```

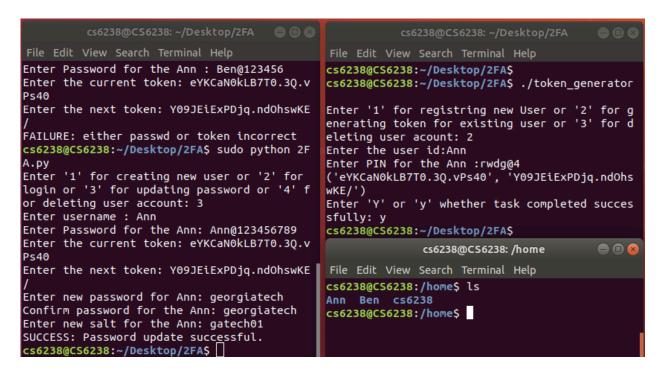
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gdm:*:17647:0:99999:7:::
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Ben:$6$cs6238@2$yCREPY1gejXW20tH0UMthqERb8kkQ3xcnDWVWQZyAfojqOjd/0hzQ5gv.FuNBssp
zWsQaGPCDZsg845cuxIK0/:17710:0:99999:7:::
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
```

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
                                              cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ ./token generator
or deleting user account: 2
Enter username : Ben
                                              Enter '1' for registring new User or '2' for g
Enter Password for the Ben : Ben@123456
                                              enerating token for existing user or '3' for d
Enter the current token: iGxl329/ug0eSnh0zY
                                              eleting user acount: 2
E1B/
                                              Enter the user id:Ann
Enter the next token: XRcyVF5J5jYa/YHCYoKdl
                                              Enter PIN for the Ann :rwdg@4
                                              ('eYKCaN0kLB7T0.3Q.vPs40', 'Y09JEiExPDjq.nd0hs
                                              wKE/')
Enter 'Y' or 'y' whether task completed succes
SUCCESS: Login successful.
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$ sudo python 2F
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                                              sfully: n
Enter '1' for creating new user or '2' for
                                              Sorry to hear. Retry it.
login or '3' for updating password or '4' f
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or deleting user account: 2
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                                                                                       Enter username : Ann
Enter Password for the Ann : Ben@123456
                                              File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Enter the current token: eYKCaNOkLB7T0.30.v
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$ ls
                                              Ann Ben cs6238
Enter the next token: Y09JEiExPDjq.ndOhswKE
                                              cs6238@CS6238:/home$
FAILURE: either passwd or token incorrect
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FAS
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Ann:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/Ann:/bin/bash
Ben:x:1002:1002:,,:/home/Ben:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
```

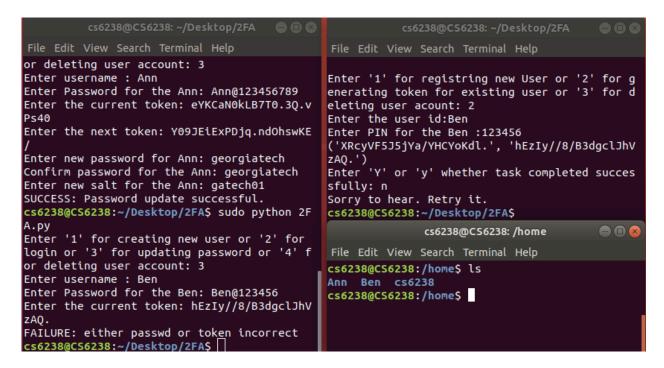
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Ben:$6$cs6238@2$yCREPY1gejXW20tH0UMthqERb8kkQ3xcnDWVWQZyAfojqOjd/0hzQ5gv.FuNBssp
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sshd:x:122:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
Ann:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/Ann:/bin/bash
Ben:x:1002:1002:,,,:/home/Ben:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
```

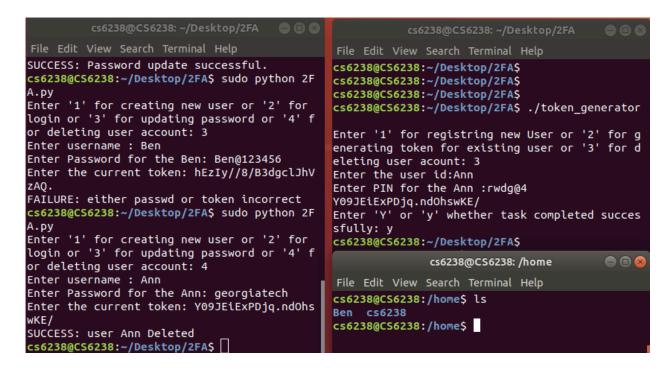
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Ann:$6$gatech01$wI1ZfbwsgLiZseyUcKA6.ELzUmB/ZvV3EAFjmBDw6qsTugJAMOMcMwl5MLYsGxoa
z4RP5zt8EbwK/jqMbVoX20:17710:0:99999:7:::
Ben:$6$cs6238@2$yCREPY1gejXW20tH0UMthqERb8kkQ3xcnDWVWQZyAfojqOjd/0hzQ5gv.FuNBssp
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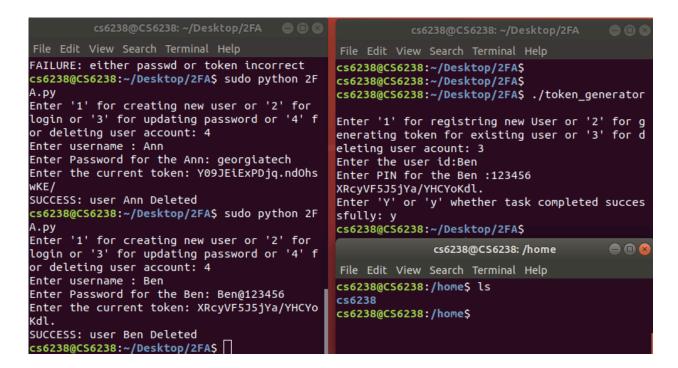
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Ann:$6$gatech01$wI1ZfbwsgLiZseyUcKA6.ELzUmB/ZvV3EAFjmBDw6qsTugJAMOMcMwl5MLYsGxoa
z4RP5zt8EbwK/jqMbVoX20:17710:0:99999:7:::
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szpNfbT7WqpDGcDRAQN6hpEi1:17732:0:99999:7:::
Ben:$6$cs6238@2$yCREPY1gejXW20tH0UMthqERb8kkQ3xcnDWVWQZyAfojq0jd/0hzQ5gv.FuNBssp
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geoclue:x:118:124::/var/lib/geoclue:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnome-initial-setup:x:119:65534::/run/gnome-initial-setup/:/bin/false
gdm:x:120:125:Gnome Display Manager:/var/lib/gdm3:/bin/false
cups-pk-helper:x:121:116:user for cups-pk-helper service,,,:/home/cups-pk-helper
:/usr/sbin/nologin
sshd:x:122:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
cs6238:x:1000:1000:CS6238,,,:/home/cs6238:/bin/bash
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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gnome-initial-setup:*:17647:0:99999:7:::
gdm:*:17647:0:99999:7:::
cups-pk-helper:*:18495:0:99999:7:::
sshd:*:18495:0:99999:7:::
cs6238:$6$UPICuFgR$0bA5equUygMEptwf//rCS6gVVToghXSkLb0NqVYPyBmkNMunvPcIj7G03uy5iszpNfbT7WqpDGcDRAQN6hpEi1:17732:0:99999:7:::
cs6238@CS6238:~/Desktop/2FA$
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# Task2: Security Analysis of 2FA

# 1. 2 advantages of the 2FA method implemented above:

- a. 2FA adds an additional level of security making it difficult for the attacker to login to the system. This method uses a token generator is used as the second factor. The tokens that it gives is entered into the 2FA method to perform the authentication.
- b. The passwords are not stored directly in the /etc/shadow file. Instead, a salt value is added and a hash of it is stored. Even if attacker gets hold of this file, it will be difficult to crack the password.
  - Concatenating the user password with the tokens obtained from token generator, a hardened password is generated which is in turn hashed and stored. This makes the system secure.

### 2 disadvantages of the 2FA method implemented above:

- a. The 2FA introduces an additional step while logging in. If the user doesn't have the token generation device, he might not be able to login to the system.
- b. The other disadvantage is that the token generator will keep producing the same tokens until the 2FA method was successfully completed. So, the attacker can keep using the same tokens until he successfully logs in to the system.

# 2 possible attacks on the 2FA method implemented above:

- a. As we mentioned earlier, the token generator will generate same set of tokens until the 2FA method was successfully executed. So, the attacker can get hold of this and keep using it to perform the login.
- b. The attacker can use a keylogger to get hold of the user password. And he can also get the token as discussed in the above point and generate the hardened password and try to login to the system.

### 2. Improvement for the current 2FA scheme:

In the current implementation, the user has to generate the tokens and copy paste them manually in the 2FA method. This step is error prone. The user may enter the tokens incorrectly or may swap the current and next token while entering. This will result in lot of false negatives. To avoid this, instead of manually entering the tokens, the token generator can generate the tokens automatically and send it to the 2FA method.

By doing this the additional step of copy pasting will be eliminated. This will also avoid users entering wrong tokens during the process and also it will adhere to the principle of user acceptability as the user doesn't have to manually enter the tokens.

The other improvement that can be implemented is, the token generator should return a different token every single time irrespective of whether the 2FA method execution was successful or not. Currently, the token generator is returning the same tokens until the 2FA method is successfully completed. This will enable the attacker to keep trying to login with the same token if he gets the token. But by returning a different token every time, it becomes very difficult for the attacker to guess the token.

#### 3. Implement 2FA on a server client setting:

When the user(client) is trying to login, he will send a request to the server which has the token generator to provide the required tokens. The server based on the input will reply to the client with the requested tokens. These values are inputted to the login process at the client to perform the login process.

Since here the server and client are accessing sensitive information, the payload should be end-end encrypted. The exchange of tokens between client and server can be secured with the SSL/TSL protocols.

Additionally, a load balancer can be used to equally distribute the traffic across servers that can fulfil the client request.