



**VIT<sup>®</sup>**  
**Vellore Institute of Technology**  
(Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

## **John the Ripper**

**NAME:** DHEVATHA S P  
**REG NO.:** 22BCE0826

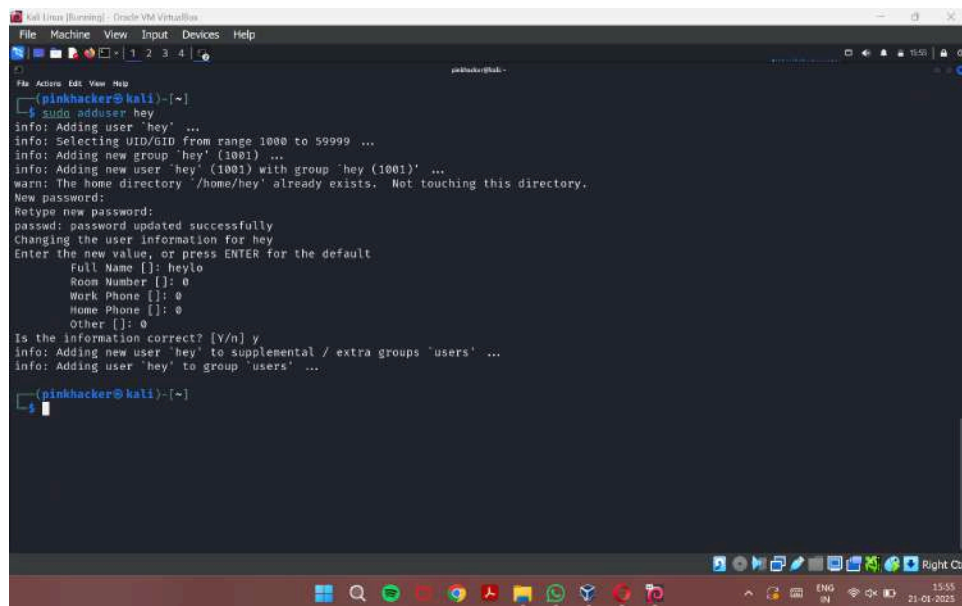
**NAME OF FACULTY:** DR. Satish C.J  
**COURSE TITLE :** Penetration Testing and Vulnerability  
Analysis Lab  
**COURSE CODE:** BCSE319P  
**LAB SLOT:** L55+L56  
**SEMESTER:** Winter Semester 2024-25  
**CLASS NO.:** VL2024250505928

# John the ripper

---

## 1. Creating new user to Kali Linux (User name : hey, Password : hello)

```
(pinkhacker@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo adduser hey
[sudo] password for pinkhacker:
info: Adding user `hey' ...
info: Selecting UID/GID from range 1000 to 59999 ...
info: Adding new group `hey' (1001) ...
info: Adding new user `hey' (1001) with group `hey (1001)' ...
info: Creating home directory `/home/hey' ...
info: Copying files from `/etc/skel' ...
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for hey
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
    Full Name []: heylo
    Room Number []: 1
    Work Phone []: 1
    Home Phone []: 1
    Other []: 1
Is the information correct? [Y/n] y
info: Adding new user `hey' to supplemental / extra groups `users' ...
info: Adding user `hey' to group `users' ...
```



```
Kali Linux (Running) - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help
┌─(pinkhacker@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo adduser hey
info: Adding user `hey' ...
info: Selecting UID/GID from range 1000 to 59999 ...
info: Adding new group `hey' (1001) ...
info: Adding new user `hey' (1001) with group `hey (1001)' ...
warn: The home directory `/home/hey' already exists. Not touching this directory.
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for hey
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
    Full Name []: heylo
    Room Number []: 0
    Work Phone []: 0
    Home Phone []: 0
    Other []: 0
Is the information correct? [Y/n] y
info: Adding new user `hey' to supplemental / extra groups `users' ...
info: Adding user `hey' to group `users' ...
└─(pinkhacker@kali)-[~]
└─$
```

## 2. Checking new username in Kali Linux

```
(pinkhacker@kali) - [~]
$ sudo cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/usr/bin/zsh
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
_apt:x:42:65534::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-network:x:998:998:systemd Network Management:/:/usr/sbin/nologin
_galera:x:100:65534::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
mysql:x:101:102:MariaDB Server,,,:/bin/false
tss:x:102:103:TPM software stack,,,:/var/lib/tpm:/bin/false
strongswan:x:103:65534::/var/lib/strongswan:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-timesync:x:992:992:systemd Time Synchronization:/:/usr/sbin/nologin
redsocks:x:104:104::/var/run/redsocks:/usr/sbin/nologin
rwhod:x:105:65534::/var/spool/rwho:/usr/sbin/nologin
_gophish:x:106:106::/var/lib/gophish:/usr/sbin/nologin
iodine:x:107:65534::run/iodine:/usr/sbin/nologin
messagebus:x:108:107::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
miredo:x:109:65534::/var/run/miredo:/usr/sbin/nologin
redis:x:110:110::/var/lib/redis:/usr/sbin/nologin
usbmux:x:111:46:usbmux daemon,,,:/var/lib/usbmux:/usr/sbin/nologin
mosquitto:x:112:112::/var/lib/mosquitto:/usr/sbin/nologin
tcpdump:x:113:114::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
sshd:x:114:65534::run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
_rpc:x:115:65534::run/rpcbind:/usr/sbin/nologin
dnsmasq:x:116:65534:dnsmasq,,,:/var/lib/misc:/usr/sbin/nologin
statd:x:117:65534::/var/lib/nfs:/usr/sbin/nologin
avahi:x:118:118:Avahi mDNS daemon,,,:/run/avahi-daemon:/usr/sbin/nologin
stunnel4:x:991:991:stunnel service system
account:/var/run/stunnel4:/usr/sbin/nologin
Debian-snmpp:x:119:119::/var/lib/snmpp:/bin/false
_gvm:x:120:120::/var/lib/openvas:/usr/sbin/nologin
speech-dispatcher:x:121:29:Speech Dispatcher,,,:/run/speech-dispatcher:/bin/false
sshd:x:122:121::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
postgres:x:123:122:PostgreSQL administrator,,,:/var/lib/postgresql:/bin/bash
pulse:x:124:123:PulseAudio daemon,,,:/run/pulse:/usr/sbin/nologin
inetsim:x:125:125::/var/lib/inetsim:/usr/sbin/nologin
lightdm:x:126:126:Light Display Manager:/var/lib/lightdm:/bin/false
geoclue:x:127:127::/var/lib/geoclue:/usr/sbin/nologin
saned:x:128:130::/var/lib/saned:/usr/sbin/nologin
polkitd:x:989:989:User for polkitd:/:/usr/sbin/nologin
rtkit:x:129:131:RealtimeKit,,,:/proc:/usr/sbin/nologin
colord:x:130:132:colord colour management
```

```

daemon,,,:/var/lib/colord:/usr/sbin/nologin
nm-openvpn:x:131:133:NetworkManager
OpenVPN,,,:/var/lib/openvpn/chroot:/usr/sbin/nologin
nm-openconnect:x:132:134:NetworkManager OpenConnect
plugin,,,:/var/lib/NetworkManager:/usr/sbin/nologin
pinkhacker:x:1000:1000:PinkHacker,,,:/home/pinkhacker:/usr/bin/zsh
hey:x:1001:1001:heylo,1,1,1,1:/home/hey:/bin/bash

```

```

(pinkhacker@kali)~$ sudo cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/usr/bin/zsh
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
bacula:x:34:34:bacula:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mail Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
_apt:x:42:65534::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-network:x:998:998:systemd Network Management:/:/usr/sbin/nologin
_galera:x:100:65534::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
mysql:x:101:102:MySQL Server,,:/nonexistent:/bin/false
lss:x:102:103:TPM software stack,,:/var/lib/tpm:/bin/false
strongswan:x:103:65534::/var/lib/strongswan:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-timesync:x:992:992:systemd Time Synchronization:/:/usr/sbin/nologin
redsocks:x:104:104::/var/run/redsocks:/usr/sbin/nologin
rwhod:x:105:65534::/var/spool/rwho:/usr/sbin/nologin
gophish:x:106:106::/var/lib/gophish:/usr/sbin/nologin
iodine:x:107:65534::/run/iodine:/usr/sbin/nologin
messagebus:x:108:107::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
miredo:x:109:65534::/var/run/miredo:/usr/sbin/nologin

```

```

messagebus:x:108:107::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
miredo:x:109:65534::/var/run/miredo:/usr/sbin/nologin
redis:x:110:110::/var/lib/redis:/usr/sbin/nologin
usbmux:x:111:146:usbmux daemon,,:/var/lib/usbmux:/usr/sbin/nologin
mosquitto:x:112:112::/var/lib/mosquitto:/usr/sbin/nologin
tcpdump:x:113:114::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
sshd:x:114:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
_rpc:x:115:65534::/run/rpcbind:/usr/sbin/nologin
dnsmasq:x:116:65534:dnsmasq,,:/var/lib/misc:/usr/sbin/nologin
statd:x:117:65534::/var/lib/nfs:/usr/sbin/nologin
avahi:x:118:118:Avahi mDNS daemon,,:/run/avahi-daemon:/usr/sbin/nologin
stunnel4:x:991:991:stunnel service system account:/var/run/stunnel4:/usr/sbin/nologin
Debian-snmpp:x:119:119::/var/lib/snmpp/bin/false
_gvm:x:120:120::/var/lib/opensvas:/usr/sbin/nologin
speech-dispatcher:x:121:29:Speech Dispatcher,,:/run/speech-dispatcher:/bin/false
sshd:x:122:121::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
postgres:x:123:122:PostgreSQL administrator,,:/var/lib/postgresql:/bin/bash
pulse:x:124:123:PulseAudio daemon,,:/run/pulse:/usr/sbin/nologin
inetd:x:125:125::/var/lib/inetd:/usr/sbin/nologin
lightdm:x:126:126:light Display Manager:/var/lib/lightdm:/bin/false
geoclue:x:127:127::/var/lib/geoclue:/usr/sbin/nologin
saned:x:128:130::/var/lib/saned:/usr/sbin/nologin
polkitd:x:989:989:User for polkitd:/usr/sbin/nologin
rtkit:x:129:131:RealtimeKit,,:/proc:/usr/sbin/nologin
colord:x:130:132:colord colour management daemon,,:/var/lib/colord:/usr/sbin/nologin
nm-openvpn:x:131:133:NetworkManager OpenVPN,,:/var/lib/openvpn/chroot:/usr/sbin/nologin
nm-openconnect:x:132:134:NetworkManager OpenConnect plugin,,:/var/lib/NetworkManager:/usr/sbin/nologin
pinkhacker:x:1000:1000:PinkHacker,,:/home/pinkhacker:/usr/bin/zsh
hey:x:1001:1001:heylo,0,0,0,0:/home/hey:/bin/bash

```

### 3. Checking new user's password (encrypted) in Kali Linux

```
(pinkhacker@kali)~$
```

22BCE0826  
Dhevatha S P

```

└─$ sudo cat /etc/shadow
root!:19840:0:99999:7:::
daemon*:19840:0:99999:7:::
bin*:19840:0:99999:7:::
sys*:19840:0:99999:7:::
sync*:19840:0:99999:7:::
games*:19840:0:99999:7:::
man*:19840:0:99999:7:::
lp*:19840:0:99999:7:::
mail*:19840:0:99999:7:::
news*:19840:0:99999:7:::
uucp*:19840:0:99999:7:::
proxy*:19840:0:99999:7:::
www-data*:19840:0:99999:7:::
backup*:19840:0:99999:7:::
list*:19840:0:99999:7:::
irc*:19840:0:99999:7:::
_apt*:19840:0:99999:7:::
nobody*:19840:0:99999:7:::
systemd-networkd!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_galera!:19840:0:99999:7:::
mysql!:19840:0:99999:7:::
tss!:19840:0:99999:7:::
strongswan!:19840:0:99999:7:::
systemd-timesyncd!:19840:0:99999:7:::
redsocks!:19840:0:99999:7:::
rwhod!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_gophish!:19840:0:99999:7:::
iodine!:19840:0:99999:7:::
messagebus!:19840:0:99999:7:::
miredo!:19840:0:99999:7:::
redis!:19840:0:99999:7:::
usbmux!:19840:0:99999:7:::
mosquitto!:19840:0:99999:7:::
tcpdump!:19840:0:99999:7:::
sshd!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_rpc!:19840:0:99999:7:::
dnsmasq!:19840:0:99999:7:::
statd!:19840:0:99999:7:::
avahi!:19840:0:99999:7:::
stunnel4!:19840:0:99999:7:::
Debian-snmpp!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_gvm!:19840:0:99999:7:::
speech-dispatcher!:19840:0:99999:7:::
sshd!:19840:0:99999:7:::
postgres!:19840:0:99999:7:::
pulse!:19840:0:99999:7:::
inetsim!:19840:0:99999:7:::
lightdm!:19840:0:99999:7:::
geoclue!:19840:0:99999:7:::
saned!:19840:0:99999:7:::
polkitd!:19840:0:99999:7:::
rtkit!:19840:0:99999:7:::
colord!:19840:0:99999:7:::
nm-openvpn!:19840:0:99999:7:::
nm-openconnect!:19840:0:99999:7:::
pinkhacker:$y$j9T$0dBUbQOGbJ3hZjNZmzh1L1$hiX9NbE.iMC2AzYw3PCaiqGsmjZZcI.HKPoDMD1Dmj4
:19840:0:99999:7:::
hey:$y$j9T$c3sSjjPYkFmEL.oOHqiGU/$uZqLfOoSozixCWPFLagLM5BhcqngSon5YxzP7e/cQX9:20108:
0:99999:7:::

```

```

Kali Linux [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help

(pinkhacker@kali) ~
└─$ sudo cat /etc/shadow
root:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
daemon:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
bin:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
sys:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
sync:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
games:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
man:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
lp:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
mail:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
news:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
uucp:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
proxy:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
www-data:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
backup:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
list:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
irc:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_apt:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
nobody:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
systemd-network:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_galera:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
mysql:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
lss:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
strongswan:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
systemd-timesync:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
redsocks:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
rwhod:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_gophish:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
iodine:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
messagebus:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
miredo:!:19840:0:99999:7:::

messagebus:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
miredo:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
redis:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
usbmux:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
mosquitto:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
tcpdump:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
sshd:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_rpc:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
dnsmasq:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
statd:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
avahi:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
stunnel4:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
Debian-snmpp:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
_gvm:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
speech-dispatcher:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
sslh:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
postgres:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
pulse:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
inetssim:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
lightdm:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
geoclue:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
saned:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
polkitd:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
rtkit:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
colord:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
nm-openvpn:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
nm-openconnect:!:19840:0:99999:7:::
pinkhacker:$y$10$08UB00Gb3hZjNznh1L1hix9NBE.iMC2AzYw3PCaiq6smjZ2cI.HKPoDMD1Dm34:19840:0:99999:7:::
hey:$y$9t$YSudLw97nNTWPeC/LXYT.$0pHRu6jYOD.9PzjJgTNV665QH2D3./49AnPxnX1.pS4:20109:0:99999:7:::

(pinkhacker@kali) ~
└─$

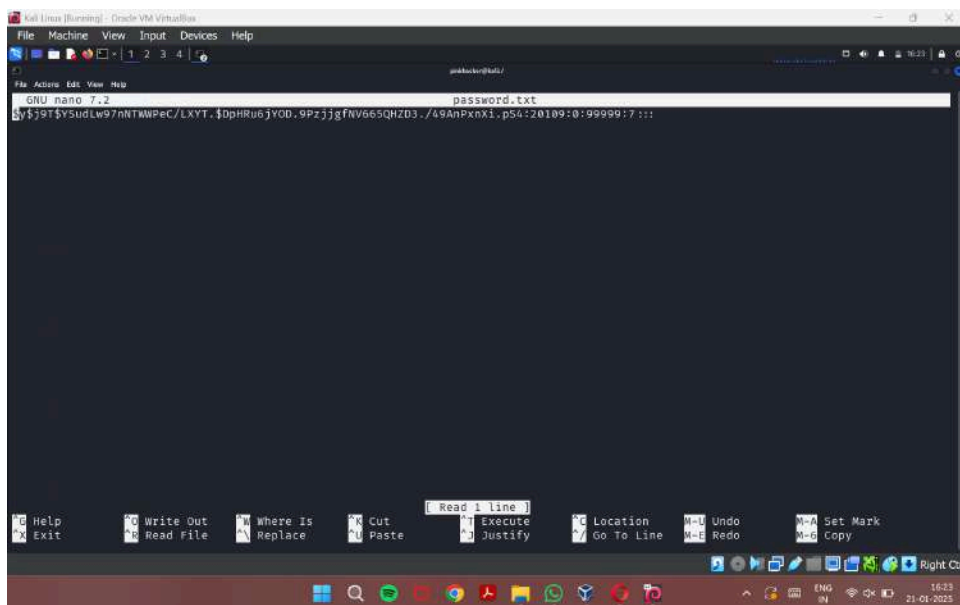
```

#### 4. Creating the password.txt file

```

(pinkhacker@kali) ~
└─$ sudo nano password.txt

```



## 5. Passing the password.txt through John toolkit

```
(pinkhacker@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo john --single --format=crypt password.txt
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (crypt, generic crypt(3) [?/64])
Cost 1 (algorithm [1:descrypt 2:md5crypt 3:sunmd5 4:bcrypt 5:sha256crypt
6:sha512crypt]) is 0 for all loaded hashes
Cost 2 (algorithm specific iterations) is 1 for all loaded hashes
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
Almost done: Processing the remaining buffered candidate passwords, if any.
0g 0:00:00:35 DONE (2025-01-20 22:39) 0g/s 84.61p/s 84.61c/s 84.61C/s
999991920..999991900
Session completed.
```



```

Kali Linux [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help

(pinkhacker@kali)~$ sudo john --single --format=crypt password.txt
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (crypt, generic crypt(3) [?/64])
Cost 1 (algorithm [1:descript 2:md5crypt 3:sunmd5 4:bcrypt 5:sha256crypt 6:sha512crypt]) is 0 for all loaded hashes
Cost 2 (algorithm specific iterations) is 1 for all loaded hashes
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
Almost done: Processing the remaining buffered candidate passwords, if any.
0g 0:00:00:19g DONE (2025-01-21 16:06) 0g/s 76.35p/s 76.35c/s 999991920 .. 999991900
Session completed.

(pinkhacker@kali)~$

```

This outcome could be due to several reasons:

- The hash format might not be supported by the configuration you're using.
- The hash might be too complex, and **john** in "single" mode might not be able to handle it.
- You may need to specify the correct hash format explicitly or use a different attack mode.

If you'd like, you could try specifying a different attack mode (e.g., **--wordlist** or **--incremental**) or check that the hash format is correct.

## 6. Wordlists

```

(pinkhacker@kali)~$ sudo john --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt --format=crypt password.txt
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (crypt, generic crypt(3) [?/64])
Cost 1 (algorithm [1:descript 2:md5crypt 3:sunmd5 4:bcrypt 5:sha256crypt 6:sha512crypt]) is 0 for all loaded hashes
Cost 2 (algorithm specific iterations) is 1 for all loaded hashes

```

22BCE0826

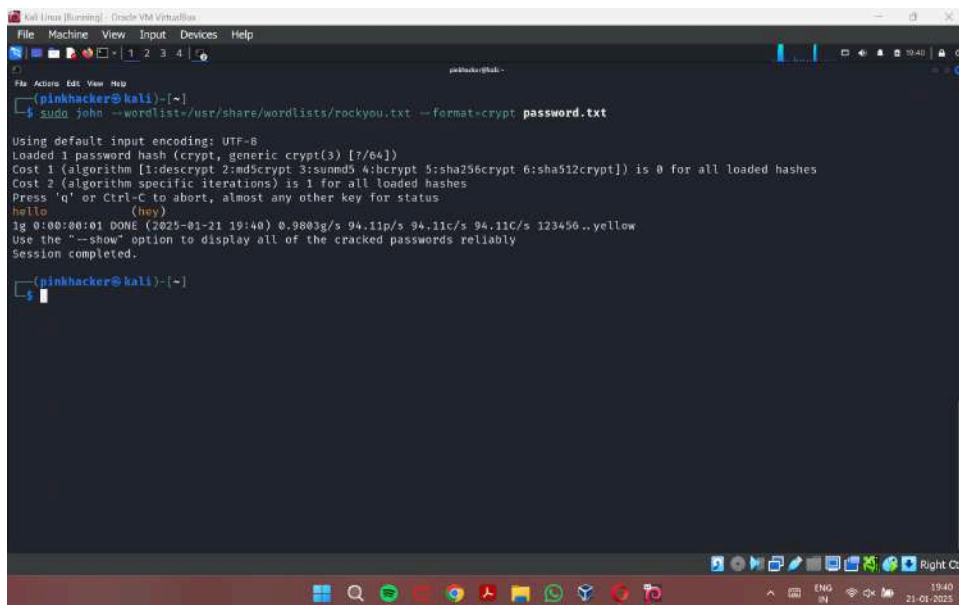
Dhevatha S P



```

Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
hello                (hey)
1g 0:00:00:01 DONE (2025-01-21 19:40) 0.9803g/s 94.11p/s 94.11c/s 94.11C/s
123456..yellow
Use the "--show" option to display all of the cracked passwords reliably
Session completed.

```

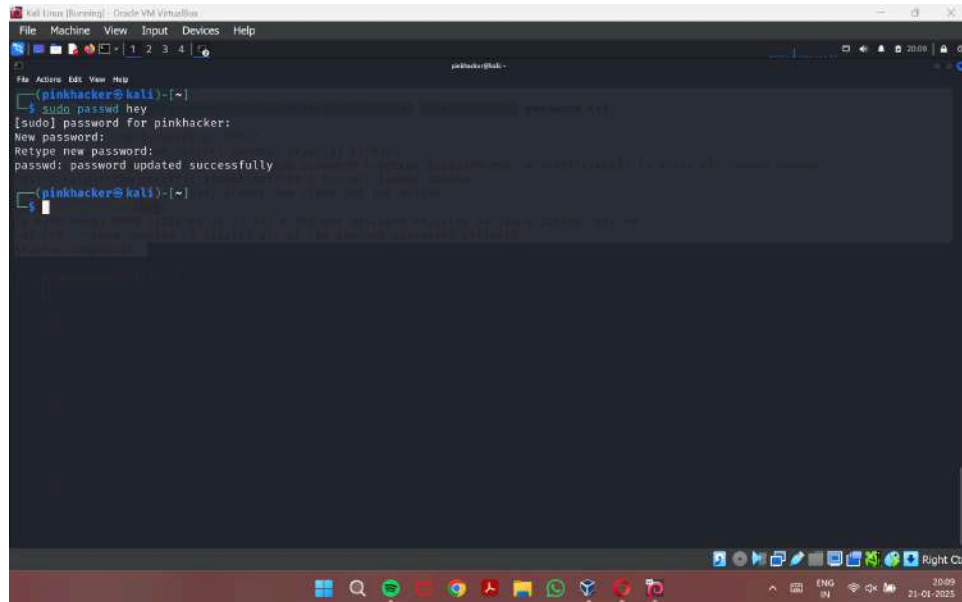


## 7. Changing the password

```

(pinkhacker@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo passwd hey
[sudo] password for pinkhacker:
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully

```

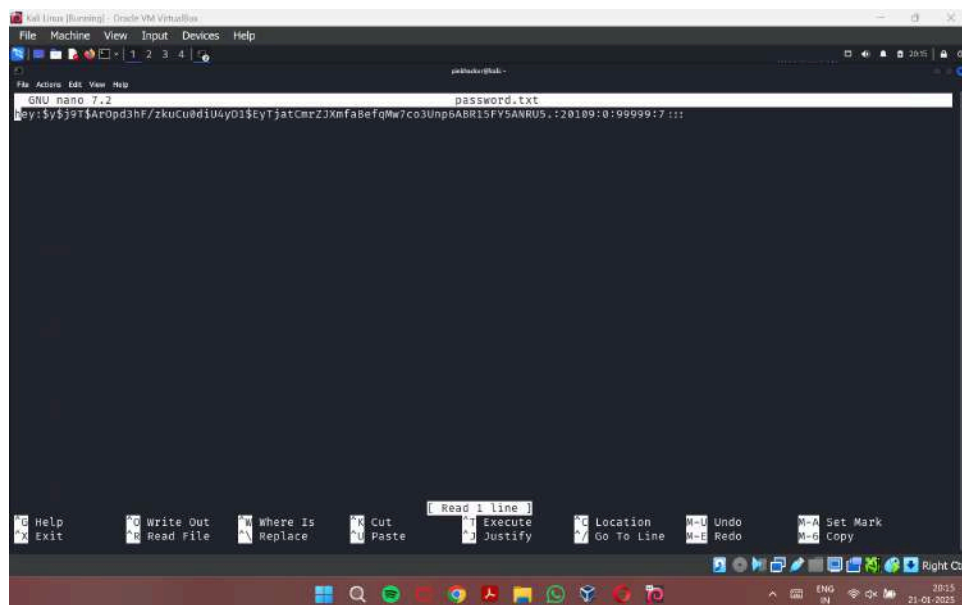


## 8. Updating the password.txt

```

(pinkhacker@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo nano password.txt

```



## 9. Updating the password.txt

```
(pinkhacker@kali) - [~]  
$ sudo nano password.txt
```

