# LPI 110.1 - Perform security administration tasks

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# Perform security administration tasks

# Description

Key co	oncepts:
	Audit a system to find files with the suid/sgid bit set.
	Set or change user passwords and password aging information.
	Being able to use nmap and netstat to discover open ports on a system.
	Set up limits on user logins, processes and memory usage.
	Determine which users have logged in to the system or are currently logged in.
	Basic sudo configuration and usage.
Comm	ands and files:
	find
	passwd
	fuser
	Isof
	nmap
	chage
	netstat
	sudo
	/etc/sudoers
	su
	usermod
	ulimit

# sudo Command

■ who, w, last

The superuser do sudo utility allows a user to execute a single program or command as the root or another user without knowing their password or remaining logged in as that user, thus improving security. This utility is commonly-used to execute programs that require root privileges.

When sudo asks for a password, it needs the current user's password, and not the root account password.

- /etc/sudoers
- visudo

#### sudo command

There are several key advantages of using sudo instead of logging in as root:

- The root password is not exposed to users.
- The amount of time that users spend with root privileges is strictly restricted to the command execution only.
- Users that are executing the commands as root are logged.

The /etc/sudoers file should be edited using the visudo command as root or by using sudo and not a standard text editor. visudo is a special editor that validates the syntax of the file before saving the changes.

# Type of /etc/sudoers entries:

# Aliases

# User\_Alias

Specifies groups of users. Usernames, system groups (prefixed by a percent % sign), and netgroups (prefixed by a plus + sign) can be specified. You can exclude particular users with!

#### **Host Alias**

Specifies a list of hostname, IP addresses, networks, and netgroups (prefixed with a plus + sign). Netmasks can be also specified. You can exclude particular hosts with !.

# Runas\_Alias

Similar to user aliases but accepts UIDs instead of username. Better for matching multiple user names and groups having different names but the same UID. Uid users are in the form #UID (using the # character)

## **Cmnd Alias**

Specifies a list of commands and directories. Specifying a directory will include all files within that directory but no subdirectories. You can exclude particular commands with!

#### Aliases examples

```
User_Alias OPERATORS = user1, user2, user3
Host_Alias DBNET = 172.16.0.0/255.255.224.0
Runas_Alias OP = root, operator, #1001, #2005
Cmnd_Alias EDITORS = /usr/bin/vim, /usr/bin/nano
```

# Specification

Specifications define which users can execute which programs

#### host

machines where the rules are efective

as user

#### run the command as this user

#### command

command or commands to run.

/etc/sudoers example

```
OPERATORS ALL=ALL
testuser1 DBNET=(ALL) ALL
testuser2 ALL= EDITORS
```

## Administrator groups:

In the Red Hat family of distributions the wheel group is the counterpart to the special administrative sudo group of Debian systems. Usually the sudo configuration (sudoers file) includes a rule for the group sudo/wheel. So the user's members od this groups can use sudo without the need to modify the file.

#### Sudoers configuration examples:

```
User_Alias OPERATORS = user1, user2, user3
Host_Alias DBNET = 172.16.0.0/255.255.224.0
Runas_Alias OP = root, operator, #1001, #2005
Cmnd Alias EDITORS = /usr/bin/vim, /usr/bin/nano
```

#### **OPERATORS ALL=ALL**

Users who are part of the OPERATORS groups can execute any command. The first ALL indicates which machines the rule applies to, and the second ALL indicates which commands can be executed.

## testuser1 DBNET=(ALL) ALL

testuser1 can run any command as any user on any host that is in the DBNET network.

#### testuser2 ALL= EDITORS

testuser2 can run the vim and nano editors as either the root user or any other user on the system.

The sudo command executes the commands allowed by the sudoers file. Options:

- -b Execute the command in background
- -u user name Execute the command as the specified user instead of as the root user
- -n Do not prompt the user for their password

```
$ sudo fdisk -1
$ sudo -u pere ls ~
```

# More sudoers configuration examples:

```
# User privilege specification
root ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
# Allow members of group sudo to execute any command
```

```
%sudo
       ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
# user carol be able to check apache2 status from any host as any user or group,
carol ALL=(ALL:ALL) /usr/bin/systemctl status apache2
# save carol the inconvenience of having to provide her password to run the systemctl
# status apache2 command
carol ALL=(ALL:ALL) NOPASSWD: /usr/bin/systemctl status apache2
# restrict your hosts to 192.168.1.7 and enable carol to run systemctl status apache2
# as user mimi
      192.168.1.7=(mimi) /usr/bin/systemctl status apache2
# The SERVERS host alias includes an IP address and two hostnames
Host_Alias SERVERS = 192.168.1.7, server1, server2
# he ADMINS user alias - for example - includes user carol, the members of the sudo group
# and those members of the PRIVILEGE USERS user alias that do not belong
# in the REGULAR USERS user alias
User Alias ADMINS = carol, %sudo, PRIVILEGED USERS, !REGULAR USERS
# The SERVICES command alias includes a single command with all its subcommands
\# - as specified by the asterisk (*)
Cmnd Alias SERVICES = /usr/bin/systemctl *
```

# Example-1

```
# visudo
pere ALL=(ALL:ALL) /sbin/useradd
```

```
[pere@sudo ~]$ useradd marta
useradd: Permission denied.
useradd: cannot lock /etc/passwd; try again later.

[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo useradd marta
We trust you have received the usual lecture from the local System
Administrator. It usually boils down to these three things:
    #1) Respect the privacy of others.
    #2) Think before you type.
    #3) With great power comes great responsibility.
[sudo] password for pere:

[pere@sudo ~]$ tail -1 /etc/passwd
marta:x:1001:1001::/home/marta:/bin/bash
```

```
[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo userdel -r marta
Sorry, user pere is not allowed to execute '/usr/sbin/userdel -r marta' as root on sudo.edt.org.
```

#### Example-2

```
[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo useradd -s /bin/sh marta
[sudo] password for pere:
Sorry, user pere is not allowed to execute '/usr/sbin/useradd -s /bin/sh marta' as root
on sudo.edt.org.

pere ALL=(ALL:ALL) /sbin/useradd -s /bin/bash *

[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo useradd -s /bin/bash marta
[sudo] password for pere:
useradd: user 'marta' already exists
```

#### Example-3

```
User_Alias ADMINS = pere, marta, @operators
Host_Alias SERVERS = 172.17.0.0/16, server1, server2
Cmnd_Alias CMDUSERS = /sbin/user*
ADMINS SERVERS=CMDUSERS

[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo userdel -r marta
[sudo] password for pere:

[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo useradd marta

[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo usermod -g 100 marta

[pere@sudo ~]$ id marta
uid=1001(marta) gid=100(users) groups=100(users)
```

#### Example-4

```
User_Alias ADMINS = pere, marta, %operators
Host_Alias SERVERS = 172.17.0.0/16, server1, server2
Cmnd_Alias CMDUSERS = /sbin/user*
ADMINS SERVERS=(ALL:ALL) NOPASSWD: CMDUSERS

[pere@sudo ~]$ sudo useradd anna

[pere@sudo ~]$ tail -1 /etc/passwd
anna:x:1002::/home/anna:/bin/bash
```

#### su command

The superuser su command is used to execute a shell with a different user identity. This command is typically used by a regular user to execute a command which otherwise needs root privileges or when the root user wants to execute a command as a regular user. For a regular user to use this command, the password for the other account must be entered.

- su -
- su -l
- su (no usar!)
- su -l -c command

#### Su options:

- or -

Start the new user's login shell and execute the initialization (.rc) files providing an environment (i.e., variables, aliases, home directory, etc.) similar to what the user would expect had the user logged in directly.

#### -c command

Pass a single command to the shell. As a result, after the su command has completed, the user will revert back to their original shell.

-m

Do not reset the values of environment variables.

If someone with knowledge of the root password needs to execute several commands with root privileges, they would use the su - command to switch identities to the root user and acquire the root account environment settings (the - option tells the shell to read the user's initialization files) by executing the following command and providing the root user's password.

The main differences between su and sudo are that su switches the current user (possibly to root) and remains that user until the account is exited, whereas sudo runs a single command with root privileges when provided the current user's password.

```
$ su -
$ su - pere
$ su - -c fdisk -1
```

# Monitor SetUID / SetGID file

There are different types of UIDs supported by Linux to facilitate user management:

#### Real User ID

The ID assigned by the system when a user logs in. All processes which are started by the user account will inherit the user's real user ID. The real user ID can be displayed with the id -u -r command.

#### Effective User ID

The ID used by the system to determine the level of access the current process has. The setuid permission and su command, both discussed below, change the effective user ID of a program, providing a means for a user to run a program or access a file as another user without having to log off and log in to another user account. The effective user ID is displayed with the id command.

Normally, when a user accesses or executes a file, the user's real UID and GID are used to determine the level of access when executing the procedure.

#### Execute permissions:

#### SetUID

When an executable file (a program) has the SUID (Set User ID, setuid) permission, then the owner of the executable file becomes the Effective User ID to determine access and execute the procedure.

#### **SetGID**

When a file has the SGID (Set Group ID, setgid) permission, the group owner identity of the file is used as the Effective Group ID to determine file access and execute the procedure.

Files that have the SUID or SGID permission bits set can be used to create backdoors, which provide unauthorized access to the system. Diligent monitoring of the files that have these bits set is an important activity for the administrator to perform in order to keep the system secure.

```
$ ls -1 /usr/bin/passwd /usr/bin/write
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root 37600 Jan 29 2020 /usr/bin/passwd
-rwxr-sr-x. 1 root tty 25248 May 20 2020 /usr/bin/write
```

```
$ ls -l /usr/bin | grep rws
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                62832 Jan 28
                                                2020 at
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                83760 Nov 23 2020 chage
-rws--x-x. 1 root root
-rws--x-x. 1 root root
                                37760 May 20
                                                2020 chfn
                                29504 May 20
                                                2020 chsh
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                67352 Jan 28
                                                2020 crontab
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                41752 Jan 28
                                                2020 fusermount
                                92296 Nov 23 2020 gpasswd
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                58560 May 20
                                                2020 mount
                               47584 Nov 23
                                                2020 newgrp
                                                2020 passwd
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                              37600 Jan 29
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                32888 Jan 30
                                                2020 pkexec
                                75736 May 20
                                                2020 su
-rwsr-xr-x. 1 root root
                                41760 May 20
                                                2020 umount
$ ls -l /usr/bin/ | grep r-s
                                37920 May 20
                                                2020 wall
-rwxr-sr-x. 1 root root
                                25248 May 20
-rwxr-sr-x. 1 root tty
                                                2020 write
```

```
$ find /usr/bin/ -perm -4000 -ls
               44 -rwsr-xr-x 1 root
 2658925
                                                       41752 Jan 28 2020 /usr/bin/fusermount
                                             root
                  76 -rwsr-xr-x
                                                       75736 May 20
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/su
                                             root
 2635497
                  60 -rwsr-xr-x
                                                       58560 May 20
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/mount
                                             root
 2639018
                 40 -rws--x--x
                                             root
                                                       37760 May 20
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/chfn
                                  1 root
 2630604
                 92 -rwsr-xr-x
                                  1 root.
                                             root.
                                                       92296 Nov 23
                                                                    2020 /usr/bin/gpasswd
                 32 -rws--x--x
                                                      29504 May 20 2020 /usr/bin/chsh
 2639019
                                  1 root
                                             root
 2630894
                 20 -rwsr-xr-x
                                  1 root
                                             root
                                                      17120 Apr 6
                                                                    2021 /usr/bin/vmware-user-suid-wrapper
                  44 -rwsr-xr-x
                                                       41760 May 20 2020 /usr/bin/umount
                                  1 root
                                             root
                 188 ---s--x--x
 2650960
                                                      191048 Jan 26 2021 /usr/bin/sudo
                                   1 root
                                             root
                                                      37608 Dec \, 1 \, 2020 /usr/bin/fusermount-glusterfs 32888 Jan 30 \, 2020 /usr/bin/pkexec
 2637420
                  40 -rwsr-xr-x
                                  1 root
                                             root
                  36 -rwsr-xr-x
 2636136
                                  1 root
                                             root
                                                       47584 Nov 23 2020 /usr/bin/newgrp
 2630607
                  48 -rwsr-xr-x
                                  1 root
                                             root
  2639062
                  64 -rwsr-xr-x
                                                       62832 Jan 28
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/at
                                  1 root
                                             root
                                                       67352 Jan 28
  2659156
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/crontab
  2637181
                  44 -rwsr-xr-x
                                  1 root
                                             root
                                                       41760 Mar 19
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/fusermount3
 2657166
                 40 -rwsr-xr-x
                                  1 root
                                             root
                                                       37600 Jan 29
                                                                     2020 /usr/bin/passwd
                 84 -rwsr-xr-x
                                                      83760 Nov 23 2020 /usr/bin/chage
  2658237
                                  1 root.
                                             root.
$ find /usr/bin/ -perm -2000 -ls
  2635523 28 -rwxr-sr-x 1 root
                                                      25248 May 20 2020 /usr/bin/write
                  40 -rwxr-sr-x
                                             root 37920 May 20 2020 /usr/bin/wall slocate 46240 Nov 27 2020 /usr/bin/locate
  2658295
                                  1 root
                 48 -rwx--s--x
                                 1 root
  2650849
```

```
# find / -perm -4000 2> /dev/null -ls > check-perm.log
# find / -perm -type -f -4000 -o -perm -2000 2> /dev/null -ls > check-perm.log
# diff check-perm.log check-perm.old.log
```

```
find /usr/bin -perm -u+s
/usr/bin/fusermount
/usr/bin/su
/usr/bin/chfn
/usr/bin/gpasswd
/usr/bin/chsh
/usr/bin/vmware-user-suid-wrapper
...

# sudo find /usr/bin -perm /6000
/usr/bin/fusermount
/usr/bin/su
/usr/bin/mount
/usr/bin/mount
/usr/bin/chfn
/usr/bin/gpasswd
...
```

# **Password Policy**

# Password policy:

- length
- password rules
- change password in the next login
- password aging
- /etc/login.defs

# Commands:

```
$ passwd -l user
$ passwd -u user
$ passwd -e user
$ passwd [-x -n -w -i ] user
$ passwd -S user
$ usermod -L user
$ usermod -U user
$ chage -d 0 user
$ chage [-W -I -M -m -E -d ] user
$ chage -l user
```

# **Password aging**

```
/etc/login.defs
PASS_MAX_DAYS
```

Maximum number of days a password is valid. A value of 99999 means "no maximum password age".

## PASS\_MIN\_DAYS

Minimum number of days a password is valid. A value of 0 means "no minimum password age".

#### PASS WARN AGE

Number of days before password expiry that a warning message is given

#### /etc/login.defs

```
#15
$ cat /etc/login.defs
...
# Password aging controls:
#
# PASS_MAX_DAYS Maximum number of days a password may be used.
# PASS_MIN_DAYS Minimum number of days allowed between password changes.
# PASS_MIN_LEN Minimum acceptable password length.
# PASS_WARN_AGE Number of days warning given before a password expires.
#
PASS_MAX_DAYS 99999
PASS_MIN_DAYS 0
PASS_WARN_AGE 7
...
```

The chage command is used to update information related to password expiration. Using this command, the administrator can enforce a password changing and expiry policy for specific user accounts.

- Min days. Min days required to change to password (prevent change)
- Max days. Max days password is valid (force change periodically)
- Warning period. Warning message n days before change password date.
- Inactivity period. Set the inactivity period after passwd maxdays.
- Expiry date. Set the expiry date of the account (not password)
- Force the user to change password in the next login.
- Force the user to change password periodically.
- Prevent the user to revert to old passwd (no allow change password immediately).
- Set an expiration date.

```
# passwd -S pere
pere NP 2021-10-31 0 99999 7 -1 (Empty password.)
# chage -1 pere
Last password change
                                                        : Oct 31, 2021
Password expires
                                                        : never
Password inactive
                                                        : never
                                                              : never
Account expires
Maximum number of days between password change
Number of days of warning before password.
                                                                : 0
                                                               : 99999
# chage -W 3 -m 5 -M 90 pere
# chage -1 pere
Last password change
                                                        : Oct 31, 2021
                                                        : Jan 29, 2022
Password expires
Password inactive
                                                        : never
                                                                : never
Account expires
```

```
Minimum number of days between password change
Maximum number of days between password change
Number of days of warning before password expires
# chage -E 2022-01-29 pere
# chage -E $(date -d +180days +%Y-%m-%d) pere
# chage -1 pere
Last password change
                                                   : Oct 31, 2021
Password expires
                                                    : Jan 29, 2022
Password inactive
                                                    : never
Account expires
                                                           : Apr 29, 2022
Minimum number of days between password change
Maximum number of days between password change
                                                    : 90
Number of days of warning before password expires : 3
```

# Monitor users and logins

Monitor the current users in the system and the last logins

- who
- W
- last (/var/log/wtmp)

The following describes the output of the who command:

- Username
- terminal
- date
- Host

```
$ w

18:04:10 up 1:22, 4 users, load average: 0.51, 0.69, 0.61

USER TTY LOGIN@ IDLE JCPU PCPU WHAT

ecanet :0 16:42 ?xdm? 34:25 0.00s /usr/libexec/gdm-x-session

--run-script /usr/bin/gnome-session

root tty3 18:03 17.00s 0.01s 0.01s -bash

guest tty4 18:03 33.00s 0.01s 0.01s -bash

ecanet tty5 18:03 26.00s 0.01s 0.01s -bash
```

```
$ last | head -n 15
                                  Wed Nov 17 18:06 - 18:06 (00:00)
guest pts/3
                    ::1
                                  Wed Nov 17 18:03 still logged in
ecanet.
       ttv5
                                  Wed Nov 17 18:03
guest
      tty4
                                                    still logged in
root
      tty3
                                  Wed Nov 17 18:03 still logged in
ecanet
                    :0
                                  Wed Nov 17 16:42
                                                    still logged in
       : 0
        system boot 5.11.22-100.fc32 Wed Nov 17 16:41 still running
reboot.
                                  Tue Nov 16 17:36 - 17:39 (00:03)
guest pts/2 ::1
       :0
                    :0
                                  Mon Nov 15 19:02 - down (1+01:13)
ecanet
reboot
       system boot 5.11.22-100.fc32 Mon Nov 15 19:02 - 20:16 (1+01:14)
ecanet
       : 0
                    :0
                                  Sun Nov 14 12:49 - down
                                                           (08:58)
```

```
reboot system boot 5.11.22-100.fc32 Sun Nov 14 12:47 - 21:47 (08:59)
ecanet :0 :0 Sat Nov 13 08:33 - down (12:47)
reboot system boot 5.11.22-100.fc32 Sat Nov 13 08:32 - 21:20 (12:48)
ecanet :0 :0 Fri Nov 12 15:35 - down (05:32)
reboot system boot 5.11.22-100.fc32 Fri Nov 12 15:35 - 21:08 (05:32)
```

```
# last guest
guest pts/3
                     ::1
                                   Wed Nov 17 18:42 still logged in
                                   Wed Nov 17 18:06 - 18:06
                                                            (00:00)
      pts/3
                     ::1
auest
                                   Wed Nov 17 18:03 still logged in
quest
      tty4
                                   Tue Nov 16 17:36 - 17:39
quest
      pts/2
                     ::1
                                                             (00:03)
                                  Wed Apr 7 17:20 - 17:28
guest tty2
                     :1
guest tty2
                     : 1
                                   Wed Apr 7 17:03 - down
                                                             (00:06)
wtmp begins Wed Apr 7 17:02:51 2021
```

# Monitor network resources

Check the system for open network resources:

- nmap
- ss / netstat
- Isof | Isof -u user | Isof -i
- fuser

The nmap (network mapper) command is an open source tool used by system administrators for auditing networks, security scanning, and finding open ports on host machines. It is capable of scanning a host or the entire subnet to find open TCP and UDP ports. This tool is also used by attackers to find vulnerable ports.

# Nmap port status

open

Application on the target host is listening for incoming packets on this port closed

No applications are listening on this port

filtered

The nmap command cannot identify if the port is open or closed because a network-level firewall or similar filter is not allowing probes to this port

#### unfiltered

The nmap command can probe this port but does not have adequate information to conclude if it is open or closed

#### Nmap options

-sT and -sU To scan for both TCP and UDP ports that may be open -sP To check which hosts are available on a network

```
$ nmap localhost
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-11-17 18:12 CET
Nmap scan report for localhost (127.0.0.1)
Host is up (0.00014s latency).
Other addresses for localhost (not scanned): ::1
```

```
Not shown: 996 closed ports
PORT STATE SERVICE
21/tcp open ftp
22/tcp open ssh
80/tcp open http
631/tcp open ipp
# nmap -sT -sU example.com
# nmap -sP 192.168.1.3/24
$ nmap -p ssh,80 localhost
$ nmap -p 22-80 localhost
$ nmap 192.168.1.3-20
$ nmap 192.168.1.*
$ nmap 192.168.1.0/24 --exclude 192.168.1.7
$ nmap lms.pue.es
Starting Nmap 7.80 (https://nmap.org) at 2021-11-17 18:13 CET Nmap scan report for lms.pue.es (51.15.184.105)
Host is up (0.67s latency).
rDNS record for 51.15.184.105: siurana.pue.es
Not shown: 994 filtered ports
PORT STATE SERVICE
22/tcp open ssh
80/tcp
         open http
443/tcp open https
2522/tcp open windb
8443/tcp open https-alt
8888/tcp open sun-answerbook
```

## List open files

- Isof
- Isof -u user
- Isof -i

```
# lsof -i
COMMAND PID USER FD TYPE DEVICE SIZE/OFF NODE NAME
avahi-dae 819 avahi 15u IPv4 32989 OtO UDP *:mdns
avahi-dae 819 avahi 16u IPv6 32990 OtO UDP *:mdns
avahi-dae 819 avahi 17u IPv4 32991 OtO UDP *:47479
avahi-dae 819 avahi 18u IPv6 32992 OtO UDP *:38971
```

```
chronyd 858 chrony
                     6u IPv4 32801
                                             0t0 UDP localhost:323
                       7u IPv6
9u IPv6
                                         0t0 UDP localhost:323
0t0 TCP localhost:ipp (LISTEN)
0t0 TCP localhost:ipp (LISTEN)
chronyd 858 chrony
                                  32802
cupsd 952
cupsd 952
             root
                                 36888
              root 10u IPv4 36889
vsftpd 959 root 3u IPv6 36085
httpd 1090 root 4u IPv6 34303
                                         OtO TCP *:ftp (LISTEN)
OtO TCP *:http (LISTEN)
dnsmasq 1239 dnsmasq
                           3u IPv4 40977
                                                    OtO UDP *:bootps
          1239 dnsmasq
                             5u IPv4 40980
6u IPv4 40981
dnsmasq
                                                      0t0 UDP mylaptop.edt.org:domain
         1239 dnsmasq
                                                     OtO TCP mylaptop.edt.org:domain
dnsmasq
(LISTEN)
# lsof -i TCP
COMMAND PID
               USER
                      FD
                           TYPE DEVICE SIZE/OFF NODE NAME
cupsd 952
                      9u IPv6 36888 0t0 TCP localhost:ipp (LISTEN)
               root
cupsd 952
               root
                      10u IPv4
                                  36889
                                              0 \pm 0
                                                   TCP localhost:ipp (LISTEN)
vsftpd 959
              root
                      3u IPv6 36085
                                             OtO TCP *:ftp (LISTEN)
httpd 1090 root 4u IPv6 34303
                                            OtO TCP *:http (LISTEN)
dnsmasq 1239 dnsmasq 6u IPv4 40981
                                             OtO TCP mylaptop.edt.org:domain (LISTEN)
# lsof -i UDP
COMMANDPID
               USER FD TYPE DEVICE SIZE/OFF NODE NAME
avahi-dae 819 avahi 15u IPv4 32989
avahi-dae 819 avahi 16u IPv6 32990
                                              0t0 UDP *:mdns
                                                   UDP *:mdns
                                              0t0
avahi-dae 819 avahi 17u IPv4 32991
avahi-dae 819 avahi 18u IPv6 32992
                                              0t0 UDP *:47479
                                              0 t 0
                                                   UDP *:38971
chronyd858 chrony 6u IPv4 32801
                                              0t0 UDP localhost:323
```

```
# lsof -i TCP:22
                              TYPE DEVICE SIZE/OFF NODE NAME
COMMAND PID
               USER
                        FD
       7955
                         5u IPv4 135027 Ot0 TCP *:ssh (LISTEN)
sshd
                root
       7955
              root
                        7u IPv6 135029
                                                 OtO TCP *:ssh (LISTEN)
sshd
        9528 ecanet
                         5u IPv6 278408 OtO TCP localhost:39208->localhost:ssh (ESTABLISHED)
ssh
                         5u IPv6 279265
        9529 root
                                        OtO TCP localhost:ssh->localhost:39208 (ESTABLISHED)
OtO TCP localhost:ssh->localhost:39208 (ESTABLISHED)
sshd
sshd
        9540 quest
                        511 TPv6 279265
# lsof -i @127.0.0.1
COMMAND PID USER FD TYPE DEVICE SIZE/OFF NODE NAME
                       6u IPv4 32801 0t0 UDP localhost:323
10u IPv4 36889 0t0 TCP localhost:ipp
chronyd 858 chrony
                                                 0t0 TCP localhost:ipp (LISTEN)
        952
cupsd
              root
```

#### fuser command

The file user fuser command can also be used to display information about open files and sockets being accessed by processes.

Access codes that might be reported by the fuser command are:

- c The process is using the mount point or a subdirectory as its current directory.
- e The process is an executable file that resides in the mount point structure.
- f The process has an open file from the mount point structure.
- F The process has an open file from the mount point structure that it is writing to.
- r The process is using the mount point as the root directory.
- m The process is a memory-mapped (mmap) file or shared library.

# Manage user limits

The user limit ulimit command is used to control resources that can be assigned by a user's login shell and child processes spawned from the shell. The system administrator may need to regulate the use of shared resources to prevent one process from using too much of a resource, preventing another process or user from having sufficient access to that resource.

- ulimit
- /etc/security/limits.conf
- /etc/security/limits.d

There can be two types of limits:

#### hard limits

are set by the root user

# soft limits

can be set by either the root user or a regular user can set their own soft limit. The main constraint is that soft limits cannot exceed hard limits.

```
$ ulimit -a
                   (blocks, -c) unlimited
(kbytes, -d) unlimited
core file size
data seg size
scheduling priority (-e) 0
file size (blocks, -f) unlimited
pending signals (-i) 29720
max locked memory (kbytes, -1) 64
max memory size (kbytes, -m) unlimited open files (-n) 1024
pipe size
                          (512 bytes, -p) 8
POSIX message queues (bytes, -q) 819200
real-time priority
                                  (-r) 0
                         (kbytes, -s) 8192
stack size
cpu time
                        (seconds, -t) unlimited
max user processes
                                 (-u) 29720
virtual memory
                         (kbytes, -v) unlimited
file locks
                                  (-x) unlimited
# ulimit -Ha
core file size
                  (blocks, -c, a....
(kbytes, -d) unlimited
                         (blocks, -c) unlimited
data seg size
scheduling priority
                                  (-e) 0
file size
                          (blocks, -f) unlimited
                                  (-i) 29720
pending signals
```

```
max locked memory (kbytes, -1) 64
max memory size (kbytes, -m) unlimited
open files (-n) 524288
pipe size (512 bytes, -p) 8
POSIX message queues (bytes, -q) 819200
real-time priority (-r) 0
stack size (kbytes, -s) unlimited
cpu time (seconds, -t) unlimited
max user processes (-u) 29720
virtual memory (kbytes, -v) unlimited
file locks (-x) unlimited
```

In the list the short option indicates the option to change the limit:

- -S soft limit
- -H hard limit
- -c Maximum size of core files created
- -d Maximum size of the process's data segment
- -s Maximum stack size
- -u Maximum number of processes available to a single user
- -v Maximum virtual memory available to the user's process
- -I Maximum size that may be locked into memory

```
[root@mylaptop ~]# ulimit -a | grep core
core file size
                     (blocks, -c) unlimited
[root@mylaptop ~]# ulimit -c 0
[root@mylaptop ~]# ulimit -a | grep core
core file size
                     (blocks, -c) 0
[root@mylaptop ~]# ulimit -c unlimited
[root@mylaptop ~]# ulimit -a | grep core
                    (blocks, -c) unlimited
core file size
# ulimit -Hr 10
# ulimit -Ha
real-time priority (-r) 10
. . .
# ulimit -Hr 0
```

# /etc/security/limits.conf and /etc/security/limits.d directory

- domain
- type
- item
- value

```
#Each line describes a limit for a user in the form:
#<domain> <type> <item> <value>
```

```
#<domain> can be:
# - a user name
# - a group name, with @group syntax
# - the wildcard *, for default entry
# - the wildcard %, can be also used with %group syntax,
```

```
# for maxlogin limit
```

```
#<type> can have the two values:
# - "soft" for enforcing the soft limits
# - "hard" for enforcing hard limits
```

```
#<item> can be one of the following:
      - core - limits the core file size (KB)
      - data - max data size (KB)
      - fsize - maximum filesize (KB)
      - memlock - max locked-in-memory address space (KB)
      - nofile - max number of open file descriptors
      - rss - max resident set size (KB)
      - stack - max stack size (KB)
      - cpu - max CPU time (MIN)
      - nproc - max number of processes
      - as - address space limit (KB)
      - maxlogins - max number of logins for this user
      - maxsyslogins - max number of logins on the system
      - priority - the priority to run user process with
      - locks - max number of file locks the user can hold
      - sigpending - max number of pending signals
      - msgqueue - max memory used by POSIX message queues (bytes)
      - nice - max nice priority allowed to raise to values: [-20, 19]
      - rtprio - max realtime priority
```

```
# cat /etc/security/limits.conf
#<domain> <type> <item>
                                          <value>
#*
                soft core
hard rss
                                          0
#*
                                          10000
#@student hard nproc
#@faculty soft nproc
#@faculty hard nproc
                                          20
                                          2.0
                                          50
#ftp
              hard nproc
                                          0
#@student
                       maxlogins
                                          4
```

# **Example Exercises**

# [SUID/SGID]

- 1. Find all files with the SUID (and other permissions) set in /usr/bin.
- 2. Find all files with either the SUID or the SGID set in /usr/bin.

# [Password Policy]

- 3. Using chage make the password be valid for 365 days.
- 4. Using chage make user change password on next login.
- 5. Set warning period to 7 days and account expiration date to August, 20th 2050.
- 6. Print user's current password expiry information.

# [network monitor]

- 7. List all listening *udp* sockets on your machine using netstat.
- 8. Scan ports 80 through 443 on host A.B.C.D using nmap.
- 9. Show network files for localhost on port 22 using lsof.
- 10. Show network files for A.B.C.D on port 22 using Isof.

# [limits]

- 11. Display soft limits on the maximum real-time priority:
- 12. Display all hard limits
- 13. Set the soft limits on the real-time priority to 15. Show it and return the value to 0.

# [sudoers]

```
Host_Alias SERVERS = 192.168.1.7, server1, server2
User_Alias REGULAR_USERS = john, mary, alex
User_Alias PRIVILEGED_USERS = mimi, alex
User_Alias ADMINS = carol, %sudo, PRIVILEGED_USERS, !REGULAR_USERS
Cmnd_Alias WEB_SERVER_STATUS = /usr/bin/systemctl status apache2

root ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
ADMINS SERVERS=WEB_SERVER_STATUS
%sudo ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
```

- 14. Can alex check the status of the Apache Web Server on any host? Why?
- 15. Can Carol?
- 16. Realitza els exercicis indicats a: 110.1 Perform security administration tasks
- 17. Realitza els exercicis del Question-Topics 110.1