

Lab 10

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1. A clean setup

- Where to copy the dice module for it to be officially known to the kernel?
`/lib/modules/$(uname -r)`
- What command to run in order to generate the modules.dep and map files?
`sudo depmod -a`
- How to ensure the dice module is loaded at boot time, and how to pass it options?
Add the dice module name to `“/etc/modules-load.d/modules.conf”` or create another .conf file under the directory of `“/etc/modules-load.d/”`.

To allow arguments to be passed to your module, declare the variables that will take the values of the command line arguments as global and then use the `module_param()` macro, (defined in `linux/moduleparam.h`) to set the mechanism up. At runtime, `insmod` will fill the variables with any command line arguments that are given, like `./insmod mymodule.ko myvariable=5`. The variable declarations and macros should be placed at the beginning of the module for clarity.

- How to create a new friends group and add grandpa and his friends to it?
`groupadd groupname`
`usermod -a -G group1,group2 username`
- What is udev and how to define rules such that the group and permissions are automatically setup at device creation?
 - **udev (userspace /dev)** is a device manager for the Linux kernel. As the successor of `devfsd` and `hotplug`, `udev` primarily manages device nodes in the `/dev` directory. At the same time, `udev` also handles all user space events raised when hardware devices are added into the system or removed from it, including firmware loading as required by certain devices.
 - We can modify the rules in `“etc/udev/rules.d/70-snap.snapd.rules”`.

2. A discreet gambling setup

- How adjust the PATH, ensure its new version is loaded but then forgotten?
Temporary change: `export PATH = "/home/ubuntu:$PATH"`

- What is the exact behaviour of su when wrong password is input?
The terminal will prompt user name again.

- When using the read command how to hide the user input?
read -s PASSWORD
The “-s” ensures the input will not displayed on the terminal.

- How to send an email from the command line?
sendmail user@example.com < /tmp/email.txt

3. Automatic setup

- What is systemd, where are service files stored and how to write one?
 - **systemd** is a basic building block of a linux system. It provides a system and service manager that runs as PID 1 and starts the rest of the system

- /etc/systemd/system

Create a file named your-service.service under the directory

[Unit]

Description=<description about this service>

[Service]

User=<user e.g. root>

WorkingDirectory=<directory_of_script e.g. /root>

ExecStart=<script which needs to be executed>

Restart=always

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

- How to get a systemd service to autostart?
sudo systemctl enable your-service

- What is the difference between running tmux from the system service or from the gp-2.10 daemon

The system service is a wrapper script that allows **system administrators** to start, stop, and check the status of services without worrying too much about the actual init system being used.

- What is dbus and how to listen to all the system events from the command line?
D-bus is a message bus system , a simple way for applications to talk to another
dbus-monitor -system

- What is tmux, when is it especially useful, and how to run a detached session?
tmux is a terminal multiplexor
tmux new -s session-name
It's useful because it allows you to run commands separately in a different window.

- What is tripwire, what are some alternatives, and why should the configuration files also be encrypted and their corresponding plaintext deleted?
 - Tripwire is an intrusion detection system (IDS), which, constantly and automatically, keeps your critical system files and reports under control if they have been destroyed or modified by a cracker (or by mistake). It allows the system administrator to know immediately what was compromised and fix it
 - In case the hacker decode the file from the configuration file.
- What is cron and how to use it in order to run tasks at a specific time?
 - The Cron daemon is a built-in Linux utility that runs processes on your system at a scheduled time. Cron reads the crontab (cron tables) for predefined commands and scripts. By using a specific syntax, you can configure a cron job to schedule scripts or other commands to run automatically.
 - Crontab -e
 - Syntax: a b c d e /directory/command output