Week 5 Homework Submission File: Archiving and Logging Data

Please edit this file by adding the solution commands on the line below the prompt.

Save and submit the completed file for your homework submission.

Step 1: Create, Extract, Compress, and Manage tar Backup Archives

- 1. Command to **extract** the TarDocs.tar archive to the current directory: **sudo -xvf TarDocs.tar**
- 2. Command to **create** the Javaless_Doc.tar archive from the TarDocs/ directory, while excluding the TarDocs/Documents/Java directory: **sudo tar --exclude='Documents/Java' -cvf Javaless Doc.tar TarDocs**
- 3. Command to ensure Java/ is not in the new Javaless_Docs.tar archive: tar -tvf Javaless_Doc.tar | grep -i Java

Bonus

 Command to create an incremental archive called logs_backup_tar.gz with only changed files to snapshot.file for the /var/log directory:

sudo tar --listed-incremental=snapshot.file -cvzf logs_backup_tar.gz /var/log

Critical Analysis Question

Why wouldn't you use the options -x and -c at the same time with tar?

The flag -x expands to --extract

The flag -c expands to --create

- -- Extract requires a tar file that already exists
- -- Create creates a new file

As a result, passing both arguments in the same command results in the error "You may not specify more than one '-Acdtrux', '--delete' or '--test-label' option"

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Step 2: Create, Manage, and Automate Cron Jobs

1. Cron job for backing up the /var/log/auth.log file:

```
sudo crontab -e
```

0 0 * * * tar -cfv auth_backup.tar /var/log/auth.log > authcronjob.log

Step 3: Write Basic Bash Scripts

1. Brace expansion command to create the four subdirectories:

```
mkdir ~/backups/; mkdir ~/backups/{freemem,diskuse,openlist,freedisk}
```

2. Paste your system.sh script edits below:

```
#!/bin/bash
#Free memory output to a free_mem.txt file
free --mega > ~/Homework/week5/free_mem.txt
#Disk usage output to a disk_usage.txt file
du -h ~/Homework/week5/free_mem.txt
#List open files to a open_list.txt file
```

```
lsof > ~/Homework/week5/free_mem.txt
#Free disk space to a free_disk.txt file
df -h > ~/Homework/week5/free_disk.txt
```

1. Command to make the system.sh script executable:

```
sudo chmod +x system.sh
Optional
```

• Commands to test the script and confirm its execution:

```
./system.sh
find ~/Homework/week5/ -type f ( -name "free.txt" -o -name "disk.txt" -o -name "open.txt" )
```

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~/Homework$ find ~/Homework/week5/ -type f \( -name "*free*.txt" -o -name "*disk*.txt" -o -name "*open*.txt" \)
/home/sysadmin/Homework/week5/open_list.txt
/home/sysadmin/Homework/week5/free_mem.txt
/home/sysadmin/Homework/week5/free_disk.txt
/home/sysadmin/Homework/week5/disk_usage.txt
```

Bonus

Command to copy system to system-wide cron directory:

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Step 4. Manage Log File Sizes

1. Run sudo nano /etc/logrotate.conf to edit the logrotate configuration file.

Configure a log rotation scheme that backs up authentication messages to the /var/log/auth.log.

• Add your config file edits below:

```
/var/log/auth.log {
weekly
rotate 7
size 10M
compress
delaycompress
missingok
emptyok
}
```

Bonus: Check for Policy and File Violations

- 1. Command to verify auditd is active: systemctl is-enabled auditd
- 2. Command to set number of retained logs and maximum log file size:

sudo nano letclaudit/auditd.conf

- Add the edits made to the configuration file below:
- 3. Command using auditd to set rules for /etc/shadow, /etc/passwd and /var/log/auth.log:

```
sudo auditctl -w /etc/shadow -p rwa -k shadowfile
sudo auditctl -w /etc/passwd -p rwa -k passwdfile
sudo auditctl -w /var/log/auth.log -p rwa -k authlog
```

- Add the edits made to the rules file below:
- 4. Command to restart auditd: systemctl restart auditd
- 5. Command to list all auditd rules: sudo auditctl -l
- 6. Command to produce an audit report: sudo aureport -t
- 7. Create a user with sudo useradd attacker and produce an audit report that lists account modifications:

```
ausearch -f /etc/passwd -i
```

- 8. Command to use auditd to watch /var/log/cron: sudo auditctl -w /var/log/cron -p rwxa -k cronlogs
- 9. Command to verify auditd rules: sudo auditctl -l

Bonus (Research Activity): Perform Various Log Filtering Techniques

1. Command to return journalct messages with priorities from emergency to error:

sudo journalctl -p 0..2

2. Command to check the disk usage of the system journal unit since the most recent boot: sudo journalctl -b -u systemd-journald

results in (excerpt):

Jul 23 19:26:20 UbuntuDesktop systemd-journald[234]: Runtime journal (/run/log/journal/e5853fe375964d39b27025eb6608e969) is 4.9M, max 39.3M, 34.4M free.

- 1. Comannd to remove all archived journal files except the most recent two: sudo journalctl --vacuum-files=2
- 2. Command to filter all log messages with priority levels between zero and two, and save output to /home/sysadmin/Priority_High.txt: sudo journalctl -p 0..2 > ~/home/sysadmin/Priority_High.txt
- 3. Command to automate the last command in a daily cronjob. Add the edits made to the crontab file below:

sudo nano HiPro.sh

#!/bin/bash

journalctl -p 0..2 > ~/home/sysadmin/Priority_High.txt
exit

sudo cp ./HiPro.sh /etc/cron.daily
sudo chmod +x /etc/cron.daily/HiPro.sh

```
sudo crontab -e

40 4 * * * bash /etc/cron.daily/HiPro.sh

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