

**Note! This is a selection of tasks from last year, the current ones will be similar but modified. Provided only as an example, for better understanding!**

### Preparation of the environment

1. Account on the server **xor.math.uni.lodz.pl** (assuming: “frydrych” as the account administrator), it is obligatory to check the *login* and *password*
2. Set up *passing* subdirectory in your home directory:  

```
$ mkdir ~/passing
```
3. Check if you are a member of our *CSS* team (*BSK* for Polish students) at **MS\_Teams** (mandatory).

### Topics

1. A non-empty password for the user *root*
2. Create group *animals*  
Hint - Handbook/Users and Basic Account Management chapter 3.3
3. Create a users *dog* and *cat* in the group *animals*, first name and surname “*Rex Barks*” for user *dog* and “*Felix Meow*” for user *cat*, home directory with rights 0700, shell */bin/sh*, password like login  
Hint - Handbook/Users and Basic Account Management chapter 3.3
4. Edit the main configuration file */etc/rc.conf*:

```
hostname="LOGIN_FROM_XOR" # replace
ifconfig_em0="DHCP"
ifconfig_em1="inet 192.168.56.201/24"
ifconfig_em2="inet 172.31.255.99/24"
sshd_enable="yes"
pf_enable="yes"
pflog_enable="yes"
growfs_enable="yes"
```

if above there are some extra lines, then rewrite them as well and *reboot* your machine
5. Check your VM’s internet connection to the world and bi-directional connection to the host
6. Configure the *SSH* server (*sshd*, file */etc/ssh/sshd\_config*) changing option for remote user *root* login, via a *private/public* key pair only:

```
PermitRootLogin    prohibit-password
```

Remember to reload the service:

```
# service sshd reload
```

Hint - Handbook/OpenSSH chapter 16.7

7. Generate *SSH* keys for all users (*root*, *dog*, *cat*) algorithms: *ecdsa* and *ed25519* (no passwords)

```
$ ssh-keygen -t ecdsa
$ ssh-keygen -t ed25519
```

Hint - Handbook/OpenSSH chapter 16.7

8. Connect via *ssh* (use *Putty* and *PuttyGen* on *Host* and/or *ssh-keygen* ... on *VM*) **Host-> Guest** as users *dog* and *cat* without passwords, using a *private/public key* pairs
9. Connect via *ssh* (use *Putty* and *PuttyGen* on *Host* and/or *ssh-keygen* ... on *VM*) **Host-> Guest** as user *root* without password (mind the `PermitRootLogin prohibit-password` option in *sshd* configuration file), using a *private/public key* pair
10. Setup firewall *PF* (*PacketFilter*), configuration file `/etc/pf.conf`, *block/pass* for some selected services like *ssh*, *http*, *https*

Hint - review the chapter: Handbook/Firewalls/PF Packet Filter, chapter 33.3

11. Try to defend against malicious attacks (DDoS attacks) on *ssh* service, by blocking such IP addresses (apply `max-src-conn` and `max-src-conn-rate` *pf* rules options)

Hint - review the chapter: Handbook/Firewalls/PF Packet Filter, chapter 33.3

### Extra, self-studying topics - for higher grade (> 4.0)

1. Setup web server *nginx* and try to enable *PHP* processor

```
# pkg install nginx php81 php81-extensions
...
# # adjust nginx configuration file, especially php section:
# ee /usr/local/etc/nginx/nginx.conf
...
```

add two extra lines to `/etc/rc.conf` file:

```
nginx_enable="yes"
php_fpm_enable="yes"
```

and start new services:

```
# service php-fpm start
# service nginx start
```

Hint - adjust almost ready configuration samples in `/usr/local/etc/nginx` VM directory and/or Nginx documentation

2. Check *WWW* connections **Host-> Guest** (by browser, url: `http://192.168.56.201` or/and `http://192.168.56.201/info.php` )

```
# cat /usr/local/www/nginx/info.php
```

```
<?php
    phpinfo();
    exit( 0 );
?>
```

3. For the web server `nginx` setup the OpenSSL self-signed certificate (translate from Polish) and check secure/encrypted *HTTPS* connections **Host-> Guest** (by browser, url: `https://192.168.56.201` or/and `https://192.168.56.201/info.php`) adding *unknown issuer* browser-exception.

Hint - review the chapter: Handbook/OpenSSL, chapter 15.6