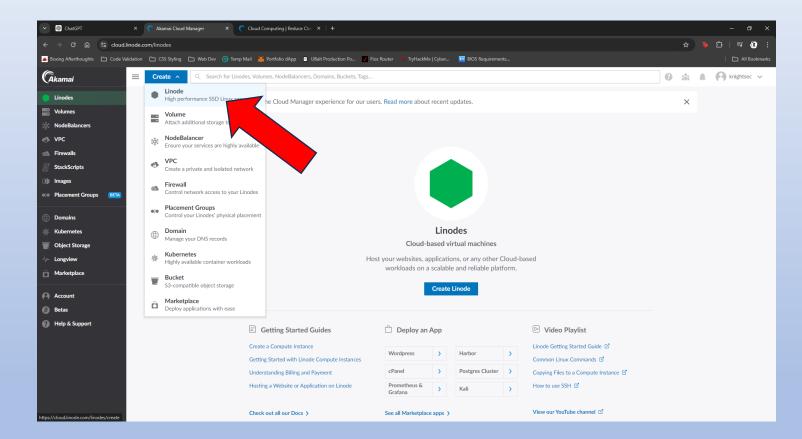


**SIEM Home Lab** 

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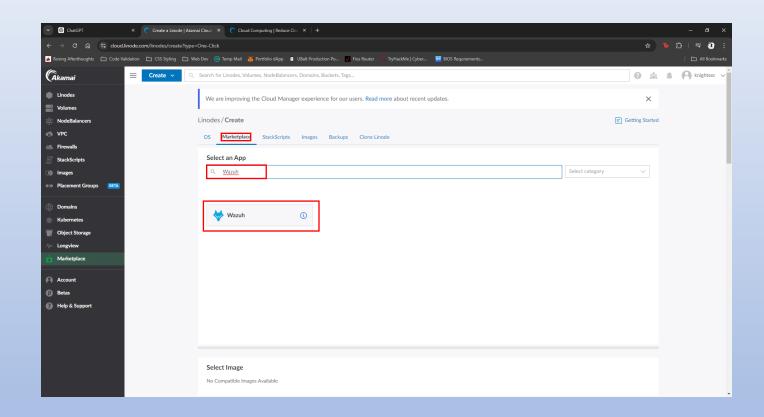
#### Create Linode Cloud Server

- Sign up for Linode
- At the home screen click Create
- In the drop down menu click Linode



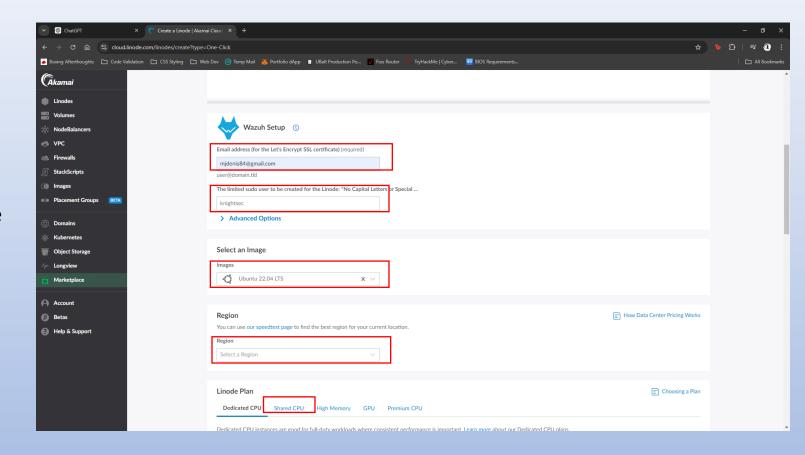
#### Add Wazuh

- Click On Marketplace
- Click in the search bar
- Type Wazuh
- Click on the Wazuh Icon



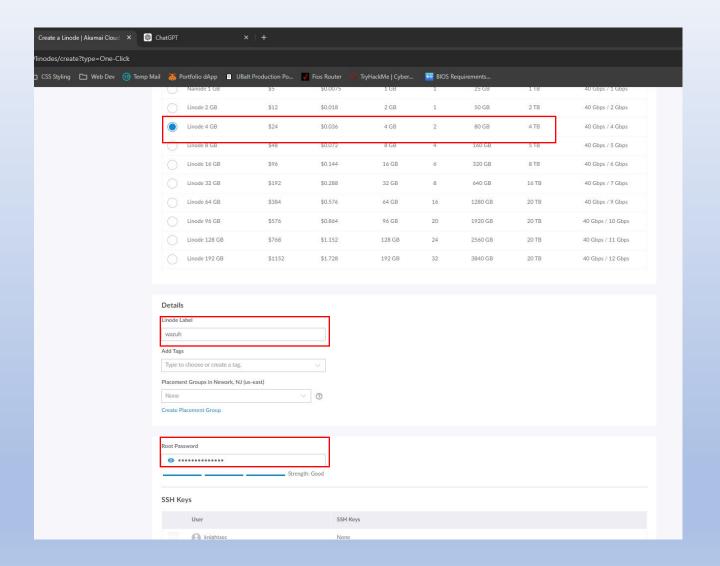
#### Setup cont.

- Enter your email for your SSL Cert
- Enter your sudo user name
- Select your image type. Here we will use Ubuntu
- Select a region near your location
- Click on Shared CPU under Linode Plan



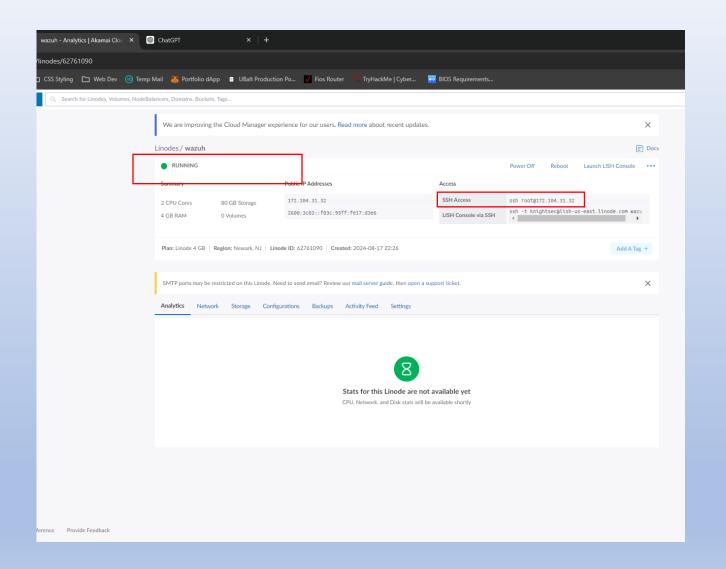
#### Setup cont.

- Choose your plan, for this lab I chose the 8 GB plan because Wazuh needs these as a minimum system requirement
- Choose a Linode Lable and enter it in the box
- Set a root password
- Click Create Linode at the bottom right of the page



#### Wazuh Install

- Wazuh will automatically install itself. You will know it is finished when you see the circle turn green and say, "Running"
- Copy your SSH access command so you can connect using your terminal



#### SSH

- SSH into your Wazuh Server using the SSH command you just copied
- Enter yes to connect
- Enter your root password you just set

```
Try the new cross-platform PowerShell https://aka.ms/pscore6
PS C:\Users\mjden> ssh root@172.104.31.32
The authenticity of host '1/2.104.31.32 (1/2.104.31.32)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:ssnE14i2L1/LkoP8sFmnUEHfSLkt+fMePqSD9aOgbV0.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? y
Please type 'yes', 'no' or the fingerprint: yes
   ning: Permanently added 117, 104.31.32 (ECUSA) to the list of known hosts.
 oot@172.104.31.32's password:
welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.15.0-113-generic x86_64)
 Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
                 https://ubuntu.com/pro
System information as of Sat Aug 17 10:42:50 PM UTC 2024
                       0.17
  System load:
                        10.1% of 78.17GB
  Usage of /:
 Memory usage:
                       68%
 Swap usage:
                        93%
 Processes:
  Users logged in:
  IPv4 address for eth0: 172.104.31.32
 IPv6 address for eth0: 2600:3c03::f03c:95ff:fe17:d3e6
Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.
3 updates can be applied immediately.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable
Enable ESM Apps to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status
*** System restart required ***
The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.
Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.
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Akamai Connected Cloud Wazuh Marketplace App
App URL: https://172-104-31-32.ip.linodeusercontent.com
Credentials File: /home/knightsec/.credentials
Documentation: https://www.linode.com/docs/products/tools/marketplace/guides/wazuh/
To deploy the Wazuh agent, you will need to add the endpoint to your firewall:
   sudo ufw allow from $AGENTSERVERIP to any port 1514 proto tcp
   sudo ufw allow from $AGENTSERVERIP to any port 1515 proto tcp
**Update `$AGENTSERVERIP` with the IP address you want to install the Wazuh Agent**
 *************************
To delete this message of the day: rm /etc/motd
root@172-104-31-32:~#
```

#### Install Wazuh

- It takes Wazuh a little while to install
- Using the command, htop, you can monitor the install

```
4.7 0.6 0:02.52 /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/python /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/ansible-playbook -v site.vml
 0.0 0.2 0:02.67 /sbin/init
 0.0 0.2 0:00.55 /lib/systemd/systemd-journald
 0.0 0.1 0:00.14 /lib/systemd/systemd-udevd
0.0 0.1 0:00.10 /lib/systemd/systemd-timesyncd

0.0 0.1 0:00.00 /lib/systemd/systemd-timesyncd

0.0 0.1 0:00.00 /lib/systemd/systemd-timesyncd

0.0 0.1 0:00.25 /usr/sbin/haveged --Foreground --verbose=1
 0.0 0.1 0:00.02 /lib/systemd/systemd-networkd
 0.0 0.2 0:00.10 /lib/systemd/systemd-resolved
 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 /usr/sbin/cron -f -P
  0.0 0.1 0:00.23 @dbus-daemon --system --address=systemd: --nofork --nopidfile --systemd-activation --syslog-only
 0.0 0.2 0:00.12 /usr/bin/python3 /usr/bin/networkd-dispatcher --run-startup-triggers
 0.0 0.1 0:00.10 /usr/sbin/rsyslogd -n -iNONE
0.0 0.1 0:00.10 /lib/systemd/systemd-logind
0.0 0.1 0:00.05 /usr/sbin/rsyslogd -n -iNONE
 0.0 0.1 0:00.00
 0.0 0.1 0:00.03
 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 /bin/bash /root/StackScript
 0.0 0.3 0:00.07 /usr/bin/python3 /usr/share/unattended-upgrades/unattended-upgrade-shutdown --wait-for-signal
 0.0 0.3 0:00.00
 0.0 0.0 0:00.79 tee /dev/ttyS0 /var/log/stackscript.log
 0.0 0.3 0:00.02 /usr/libexec/packagekitd
 0.0 0.3 0:00.00
0.0 0.1 0:00.01 /usr/libexec/polkitd --no-debug
0.0 0.1 0:00.00
0.0 0.1 0:00.00
0.0 0.1 0:00.03 sshd: root@pts/0
 0.0 0.0 0:00.03 /usr/sbin/uuidd --socket-activation
 0.0 0.1 0:00.06 /lib/systemd/systemd --user
 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 (sd-pam)
 0.0 0.1 0:00.01 -bash
 0.0 0.6 0:00.01
 0.0 0.1 0:00.04 /lib/systemd/systemd-hostnamed
6 0.5 0:00.00 /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/python /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/ansible-playbook -v site.yal
0.0 0:00 0:00 /bin/sh -c /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/python /root/.ansible/tmp/ansible-tmp-1723936202.2595937-2947-21573677186624/Ansiba
0.0 0:00 0:00 0:00 00 /bin/sh -c /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/python /root/.ansible/tmp/ansible-tmp-1723936202.2595937-2947-21573677186624/AnsibaliZ_apt.py 8
 0.0 0.4 0:00.26 /tmp/marketplace-apps/apps/linode-marketplace-wazuh/env/bin/python /root/.ansible/tmp/ansible-tmp-1723936202.2595937-2947-21573677186624/AnsiballZ_apt.py
 0.0 1.2 0:00.51 /usr/bin/python3 --
 0.0 1.0 0:00.69 /usr/bin/apt-get -y -o Dpkg::Options::=--force-confdef -o Dpkg::Options::=--force-confold dist-upgrade
 0.0 0.1 0:00.02 /usr/bin/dpkg --force-confdef --force-confold --status-fd 41 --configure --pending
0.0 0.0 0:00.00 sh -c (test -x /usr/lib/needrestart/dpkg-status && /usr/lib/needrestart/dpkg-status || cat > /dev/null)
 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 sh -c (test -x /usr/lib/needrestart/dpkg-status && /usr/lib/needrestart/dpkg-status || cat > /dev/null)
 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 /bin/sh /usr/lib/needrestart/dpkg-status
 0.0 0.1 0:00.03 /lib/systemd/systemd-timedated
 0.0 0.3 0:00.03 /usr/lib/snapd/snapd
 0.0 0.3 0:00.00
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0.0 0.3 0:00.00
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 0.0 0.3 0:00.00
 0.0 0.3 0:00.00
 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 /bin/sh /var/lib/dpkg/info/linux-modules-5.15.0-118-generic.postinst configure
 ByF7Nice - F8Nice +F9Kill F10Quit
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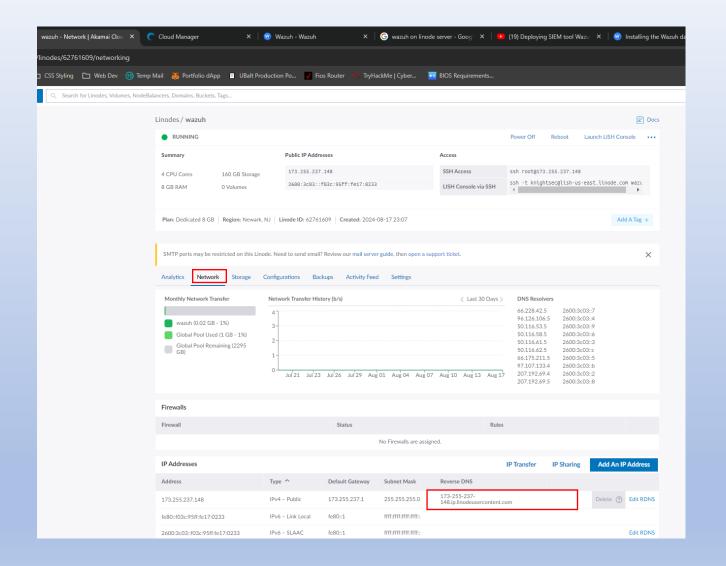
### Admin password for Wazuh

- Your credentials are not at your root directory, so we have to locate them
- Change your directory one step back by using the command, cd ..
- Then change your directory to home by using, cd home
- List the files in that directory with, Is –al
- Take note of your user name folder and change your directory into that by typing, cd knightsec (or whatever your user name is)
- List the files in your directory with, Is –al
- Print the .credentials file with the following command, cat .credentials
- Copy your admin password to your clipboard

#### root@localhost: /home/knightsec oot@localhost:/# cd home root@localhost:/home# ls -al 4096 Aug 17 23:09 rwxr-xr-x 19 root root 4096 Aug 17 23:08 rwxr-x--- 3 knightsec knightsec 4096 Aug 17 23:15 oot@localhost:/home# cd knightsec/ oot@localhost:/home/knightsec# ls -al rwxr-x--- 3 knightsec knightsec 4096 Aug 17 23:15 root 4096 Aug 17 23:09 1 knightsec knightsec 220 Jan 6 2022 .bash\_logout r-- 1 knightsec knightsec 3771 Jan 6 2022 .bashrc 1 knightsec knightsec 1258 Aug 1/ 23:15 .credentials rw-r--r-- 1 knightsec knightsec 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile rwx----- 2 knightsec knightsec 4096 Aug 17 23:09 oot@localhost:/home/knightsec# cat .credentials udo Username: udo Password: Admin user for the web user interface and Wazuh indexer. Use this user to log in to Wazuh dashboard Wazuh dashboard user for establishing the connection with Wazuh indexer indexer username: indexer password: Regular Dashboard user, only has read permissions to all indices and all permissions on the .kibana index indexer\_username: indexer\_password: Filebeat user for CRUD operations on Wazuh indices indexer username: indexer\_password: User with READ access to all indices indexer\_username: indexer password: User with permissions to perform snapshot and restore operations indexer username: indexer\_password: Password for wazuh API user api\_username: api\_password: Password for wazuh-wui API user api username: api password: root@localhost:/home/knightsec# 🛓

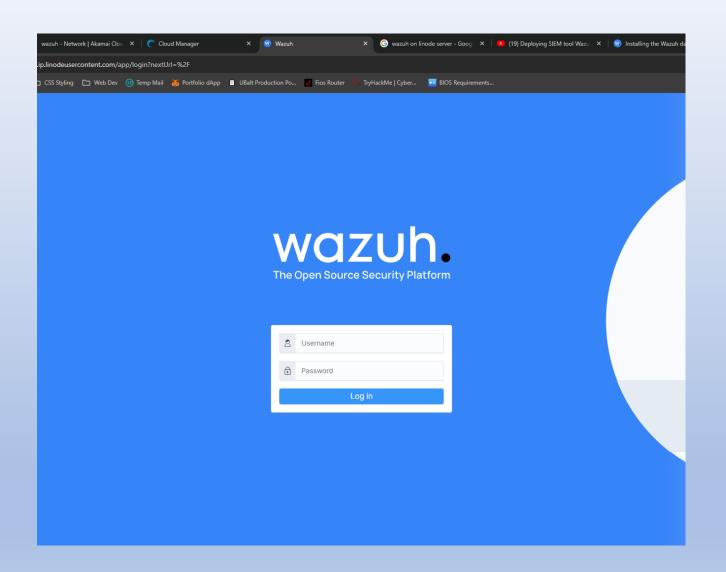
### Obtaining Dashboard URL

- On your Linode page click on your Network tab
- At the bottom of that page copy your Reverse DNS



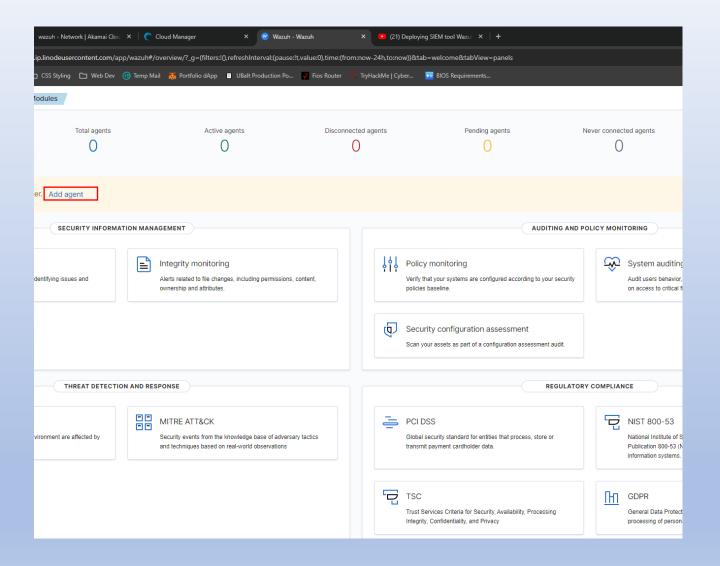
#### Log into Wazuh

- Paste the reverse DNS you just copied into your browser and it should direct you to a page like the one in the photo
- Enter the credentials you copied from your Powershell
- The user name is admin and the password you should have in your PowerShell SSH log



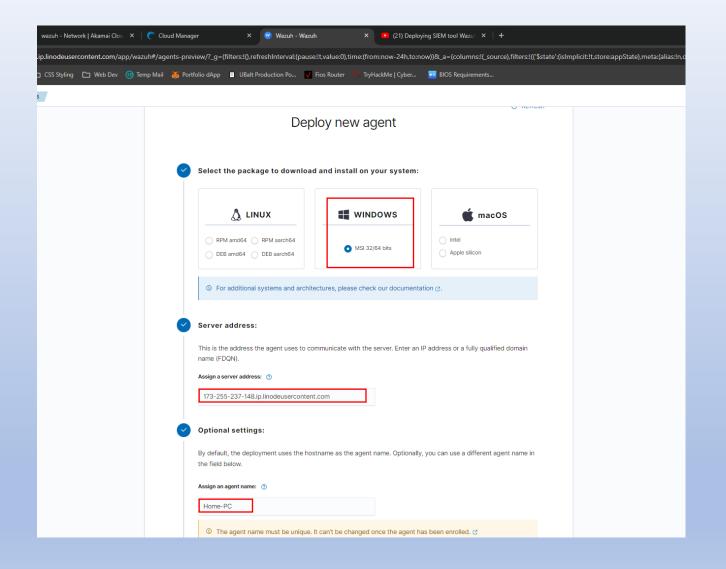
#### Wazuh Home Page

Click on Add agent



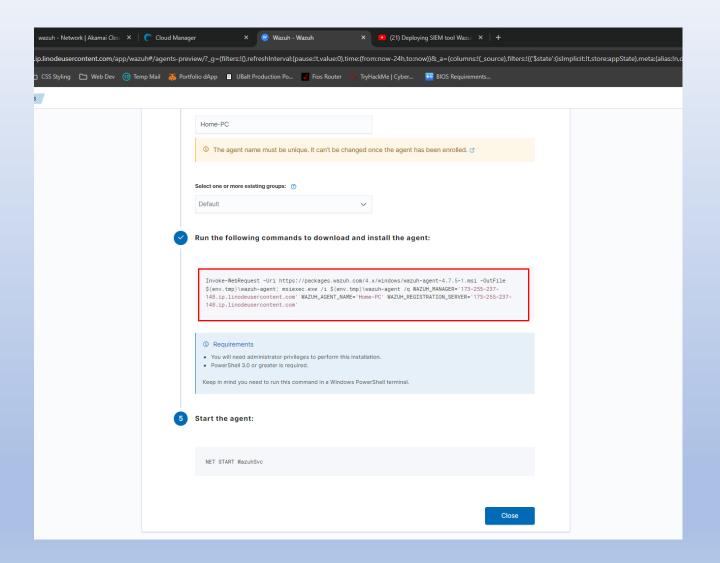
### Adding a Windows agent

- Click the Windows button to deploy your new agent
- Your server address will be your Wazuh Reverse DNS server address you copied earlier
- Name your Agent



### Adding a Windows agent cont.

 Under, "Run the following commands to download and install the agent" copy that code to your clipboard



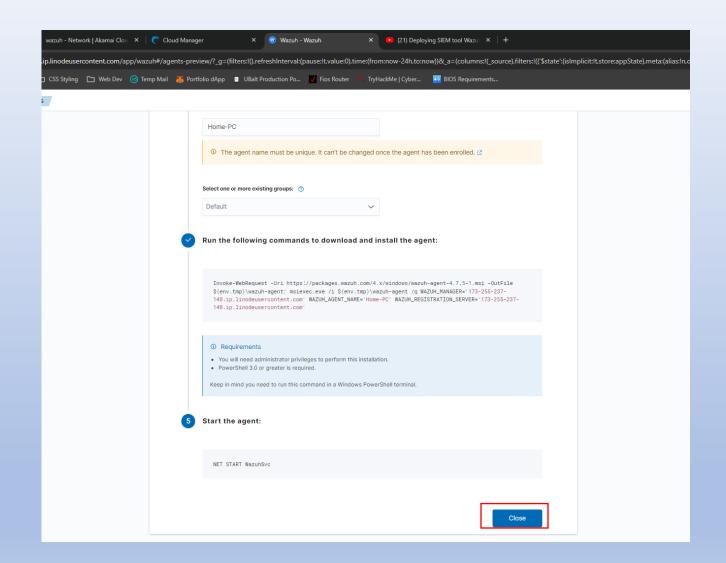
### Adding a Windows agent cont.

- Open PowerShell on your Windows machine with administrator privileges
- Paste the code you just copied from the Wazuh agent deployment page and hit enter
- After that runs enter the following:
  - NET START WazuhSvc
- You should receive a successful startup notification

```
Windows PowerShell
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
Try the new cross-platform PowerShell https://aka.ms/pscore6
  C:\Windows\system32> Invoke-WebRequest -Uri https://packages.wazuh.com/4.x/windows/wazuh-agent-4.7.5-1.msi -OutFile
        \wazuh-agent; msiexec.exe /i ${env.tmp}\wazuh-agent /q WAZUH_MANAGER='173-255-237-148.ip.linodeusercontent.com
 WAZUH_AGENT_NAME='Home-PC'_WAZUH_REGISTRATION_SERVER='173-255-237-148.ip.linodeusercontent.com'
  C:\Windows\system32> NET START WazuhSvc
he Wazuh service is starting.
The Wazuh service was started successfully.
PS C:\Windows\system32>
```

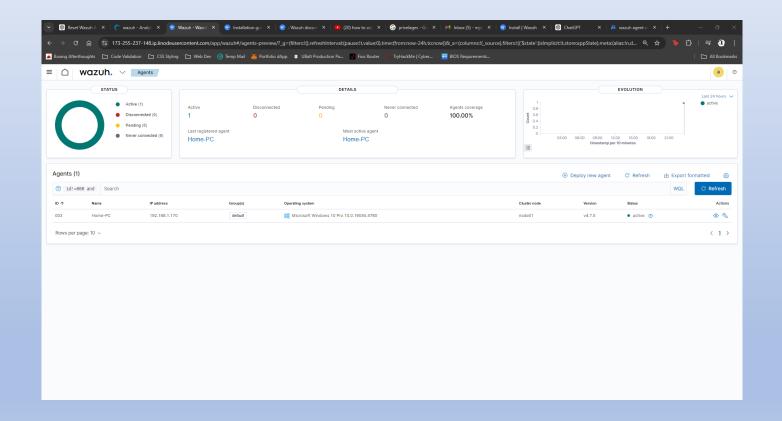
## Adding a Windows agent cont.

 Close out the agent deployment by clicking the bottom close button



#### Agents

- This is how your agents should show up
- Troubleshooting tips for Windows machines:
  - You may need to manually add your agent through the Wazuh Ubuntu server



### Troubleshooting Adding Agent

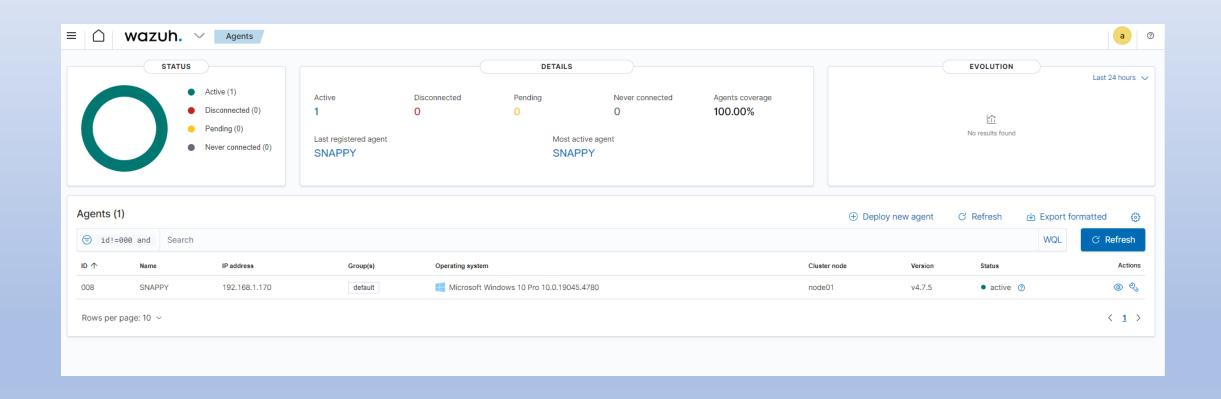
- If your agent does not show up on your dashboard you may have to manually add the agent using the following command:
  - sudo /var/ossec/bin/manage\_agents
- You will do the following:
  - Add an agent
  - Put in the IP address of the agent you are adding

#### Firewall Issues

- Sometimes your firewall may not be allowing traffic for port 1514/tcp. You must enable this for your agent to connect. First, check your firewall settings on your Wazuh Manager using the following command:
  - sudo ufw status
- You will see something like the photo on the right
- If you do not see 1514/tcp enter the following command to open that port:
  - Sudo ufw allow 1514/tcp

```
Status: active
                            Action
Tο
                                        From
22/tcp
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere
80/tcp
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere
443/tcp
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere
1514/udp
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere
1515/tcp
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere
1515/udp
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere
22/tcp (v6)
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere (v6)
80/tcp (v6)
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere (v6)
443/tcp (v6)
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere (v6)
                                        Anywhere (v6)
1514/udp (v6)
                            ALLOW
1515/tcp (v6)
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere (v6)
1515/udp (v6)
                            ALLOW
                                        Anywhere (v6)
```

### Agent Dashboard

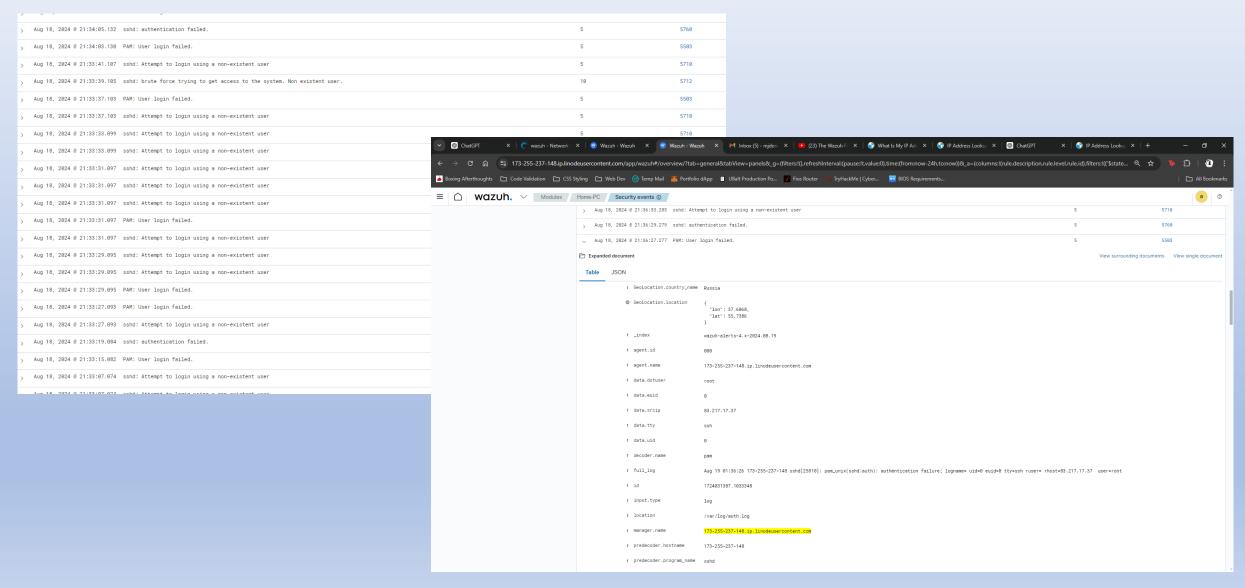


#### Setting up Alerts

- Navigate to your ossec.conf file and open it with notepad
- Add the following text in the directories section (Windows systems need double back slashes on their file paths):
  - <directories realtime="yes" report\_changes="yes" check\_all="yes">C:\\Users\\mjden\\Desk top</directories>
- Save the file.
- Note: you need admin privileges to do this
- Restart your Wazuh Service

```
*ossec.conf - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
   <interval>12h</interval>
   <skip nfs>yes</skip nfs>
 </sca>
 <!-- File integrity monitoring -->
 <syscheck>
   <disabled>no</disabled>
   <!-- Frequency that syscheck is executed default every 12 hours -->
   <frequency>43200</frequency>
   <!-- Default files to be monitored. -->
   <directories recursion_level="0" restrict="regedit.exe$|system.ini$|win.ini$">%WINDIR%</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="at.exe$|attrib.exe$|cacls.exe$|cmd.exe$|eventcreate.exe$|ftp.exe$|lsass.exe$|net.exe$|</pre>
   <directories recursion level="0">%WINDIR%\SysNative\drivers\etc</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="WMIC.exe$">%WINDIR%\SysNative\wbem</directories>
   <directories recursion_level="0" restrict="powershell.exe$">>WINDIR%\SysNative\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="winrm.vbs$">%WINDIR%\SysNative</directories>
   <!-- 32-bit programs. -->
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="at.exe$|attrib.exe$|cacls.exe$|cmd.exe$|eventcreate.exe$|ftp.exe$|lsass.exe$|net.exe$|</pre>
   <directories recursion level="0">%WINDIR%\System32\drivers\etc</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="WMIC.exe$">%WINDIR%\System32\wbem</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="powershell.exe$">%WINDIR%\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="winrm.vbs$">%WINDIR%\System32</directories>
   <directories realtime="yes" report_changes="yes" check_all="yes">C:\\Users\\mjden\\Desktop</directories>
   <directories realtime="yes">%PROGRAMDATA%\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup</directories>
   <ignore>%PROGRAMDATA%\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\desktop.ini</ignore>
   <ignore type="sregex">.log$|.htm$|.jpg$|.png$|.chm$|.pnf$|.evtx$</ignore>
                                                                                   Ln 99, Col 5
                                                                                                     100% Windows (CRLF)
                                                                                                                          UTF-8
```

### I was brute forced attacked!



### Dropping the attacking IP address

- I noticed the dashboard telling me about the failed login attempts and SSH'd into my Wazuh Server. I then typed:
  - sudo grep "Failed password" /var/log/auth.log
- The logs showed hundreds of failed login attempts from IP address 218.92.0.100
- I blocked the IP address of the attacker using the following:
  - Sudo iptables –A INPUT –s 218.92.0.100
     –i DROP

```
root@173-255-237-148:
                                                                                                                                                    _ _
Aug 18 23:22:52 173-255-237-148 sshd[23607]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 24751 ssh2]
 g 18 23:23:56 173-255-237-148 sshd[23614]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 52835 ssh2
 g 18 23:24:02 173-255-237-148 sshd[23614]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 52835 ssh2]
ug 18 23:25:02 173-255-237-148 sshd[23618]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 58611 ssh2
 g 18 23:25:09 173-255-237-148 sshd[23618]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 58611 ssh2]
   18 23:26:08 173-255-237-148 sshd[23631]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 25684 ssh2
 g 18 23:26:14 173-255-237-148 sshd[23631]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 25684 ssh2]
 g 18 23:27:14 173-255-237-148 sshd[23635]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 49326 ssh2
   18 23:27:20 173-255-237-148 sshd 23635]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 49326 ssh2]
   18 23:28:16 173-255-237-148 sshd[23638]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 61612 ssh2
ug 18 23:28:23 173-255-237-148 sshd[23638]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 61612 ssh2]
ug 18 23:29:22 173-255-237-148 sshd[23650]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 30653 ssh2
   18 23:29:28 173-255-237-148 sshd[23650]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 30653 ssh2]
 g 18 23:30:28 173-255-237-148 sshd[23654]: Failed password for invalid user ftpuser from 102.129.85.203 port 38948 ssh2
 ug 18 23:30:29 173-255-237-148 sshd[23656]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 51861 ssh2
  [18 23:30:34 173-255-237-148 sshd[23656]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 51861 ssh2]
   18 23:30:47 173-255-237-148 sshd[23660]: Failed password for invalid user zunwen from 197.221.232.44 port 36730 ssh2Aug 18 23:31:34 173-255-237-148 sshd[23663]
 Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 11426 ssh2
 ug 18 23:31:40 173-255-237-148 sshd[23663]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 11426 ssh2]
  ; 18 23:32:40 173-255-237-148 sshd[23665]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 23312 ssh2
 g 18 23:32:42 173-255-237-148 sshd[23665]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 23312 ssh2
 ug 18 23:32:44 173-255-237-148 sshd[23667]: Failed password for root from 223.197.125.110 port 34384 ssh2
 g 18 23:32:45 173-255-237-148 sshd[23665]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 23312 ssh2
   18 23:33:41 173-255-237-148 sshd[23670]: Failed password for root from 114.98.239.130 port 51442 ssh2
 ug 18 23:33:42 173-255-237-148 sshd[23672]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 37090 ssh2
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 Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 43995 ssh2
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     23:37:27 173-255-237-148 sshd[23703]: Failed password for root from 103.179.57.203 port 41204 ssh2
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 gg 18 23:38:11 173-255-237-148 sshd[23708]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 16008 ssh2
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ug 18 23:38:19 173-255-237-148 sshd[23712]: Failed password for invalid user ali from 180.76.177.111 port 60614 ssh2
 ug 18 23:38:23 173-255-237-148 sshd[23714]: Failed password for invalid user st from 114.98.239.130 port 58490 ssh2
 g 18 23:38:35 173-255-237-148 sshd[23717]: Failed password for root from 197.221.232.44 port 44626 ssh2
ug 18 23:38:46 173-255-237-148 sshd[23719]: Failed password for invalid user zunwen from 180.76.177.111 port 38342 ssh2Aug 18 23:39:07 173-255-237-148 sshd[23722]
 Failed password for invalid user deploy2 from 114.98.239.130 port 42274 ssh2
 g 18 23:39:11 173-255-237-148 sshd[23724]: Failed password for root from 102.129.85.203 port 42374 ssh2
ug 18 23:39:13 173-255-237-148 sshd[23726]: Failed password for invalid user shalini from 180.76.177.111 port 44300 ssh2
Aug 18 23:39:14 173-255-237-148 sshd[23729]: Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 38698 ssh2
ug 18 23:39:21 173-255-237-148 sshd[23729]: message repeated 2 times: [ Failed password for root from 218.92.0.100 port 38698 ssh2]
 g 18 23:39:34 173-255-237-148 sshd[23732]: Failed password for invalid user manuel from 197.221.232.44 port 36760 ssh2Aug 18 23:39:40 173-255-237-148 sshd[23734]
 Failed password for root from 180.76.177.111 port 50258 ssh2
Aug 18 23:39:45 173-255-237-148 sshd[23736]: Failed password for root from 103.179.57.203 port 40716 ssh2
```

root@173-255-237-148:~# sudo iptables -A INPUT -s 218.92.0.100 -j DROP

### How I resolved the attack

- I had to act immediately and install google authenticator to enable 2 factor authentication using the following command:
  - sudo apt-get install libpam-googleauthenticator

```
root@173-255-237-148:~# sudo apt-get install libpam-google-authenticator
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
 libgrencode4
The following NEW packages will be installed:
 libpam-google-authenticator libqrencode4
0 upgraded, 2 newly installed, 0 to remove and 3 not upgraded.
Need to get 69.7 kB of archives.
After this operation, 205 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y
Get:1 http://mirrors.linode.com/ubuntu jammy/universe amd64 libqrencode4 amd64 4.1.1-1 [24.0 kB]
Get:2 http://mirrors.linode.com/ubuntu jammy/universe amd64 libpam-google-authenticator amd64 20191231-2 [45.7 kB]
Fetched 69.7 kB in 0s (318 kB/s)
Selecting previously unselected package libgrencode4:amd64.
(Reading database ... 239467 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../libgrencode4 4.1.1-1 amd64.deb ...
Unpacking libgrencode4:amd64 (4.1.1-1) ...
Selecting previously unselected package libpam-google-authenticator.
Preparing to unpack .../libpam-google-authenticator 20191231-2 amd64.deb ...
Unpacking libpam-google-authenticator (20191231-2) ...
Setting up libgrencode4:amd64 (4.1.1-1) ...
Setting up libpam-google-authenticator (20191231-2) ...
Processing triggers for man-db (2.10.2-1) ...
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.35-0ubuntu3.8) ...
Scanning processes...
Scanning linux images...
Running kernel seems to be up-to-date.
No services need to be restarted.
No containers need to be restarted.
No user sessions are running outdated binaries.
No VM guests are running outdated hypervisor (qemu) binaries on this host.
root@173-255-237-148:~# google-authenticator
Do you want authentication tokens to be time-based (y/n) y
Warning: pasting the following URL into your browser exposes the OTP secret to Google:
```

### Check if anyone else is logged into my server

- See if there is anyone else logged into my server that I do not recognize by using the following command:
  - who
- I then checked who had established connections with the following command:
  - ss –tuna | grep 'ESTAB'
- I noticed that I did not recognize IP address
- I had to remove the user I did not recognize using the following command:
  - sudo iptables –A INPUT –s 183.81.169.238 –j DROP

```
root@173-255-237-148:~# who
         pts/0
                       2024-08-18 23:44 (71.179.53.234)
root
root@173-255-237-148:~# ss -tuna |
                                    grep 'ESTAB'
                0
                                  173.255.237.148:443
                                                              71.179.53.234:62617
tcp
                                  173.255.237.148:443
                                                              71.179.53.234:62600
                                  173.255.237.148:80
                                                            147.185.133.140:60206
                                  173.255.237.148:443
                                                              71.179.53.234:62590
ltcp
                                        127.0.0.1:52552
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                        127.0.0.1:56788
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                  173.255.237.148:443
                                                              71.179.53.234:62620
tcp
                                        127.0.0.1:46438
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                  173.255.237.148:22
                                                              71.179.53.234:62314
tcp
                                  173.255.237.148:443
tcp
                                                              71.179.53.234:62619
                                  173.255.237.148:22
                                                             183.81.169.238:53138
                                  173.255.237.148:1514
                                                              71.179.53.234:62181
tcp
tcp
                                        127.0.0.1:48262
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                  173.255.237.148:443
                                                              71.179.53.234:62618
                                        127.0.0.1:52546
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
tcp
                                        127.0.0.1:52550
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
tcp
                                  173.255.237.148:443
                                                              71.179.53.234:62594
                                        127.0.0.1:56790
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                        127.0.0.1:48258
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                        127.0.0.1:45756
tcp
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
tcp
                                                                  127.0.0.1:9200
                                        127.0.0.1:48266
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:48266
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:46438
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::fffff:127.0.0.1]:52552
tcp
                                                         ::ffff:127.0.0.1]:48262
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
tcp
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:52550
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:48258
tcp
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         ::ffff:127.0.0.1]:56788
tcp
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:52546
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:56790
                               [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:9200
                                                         [::ffff:127.0.0.1]:45756
root@173-255-237-148:~# sudo iptables -A INPUT -s 183.81.169.238 -j DROP
```

# Verify no malicious packages were installed

- Check with the following command:
  - grep "install" /var/log/dpkg.log

```
root@173-255-237-148:~# grep "install " /var/log/dpkg.log
2024-08-17 23:09:06 install linux-libc-dev:amd64 <none> 5.15.0-118.128
2024-08-17 23:09:07 install libcrypt-dev:amd64 <none> 1:4.4.27-1
2024-08-17 23:09:07 install libnsl-dev:amd64 <none> 1.3.0-2build2
2024-08-17 23:09:07 install libc6-dev:amd64 <none> 2.35-0ubuntu3.8
2024-08-17 23:09:07 install libisl23:amd64 <none> 0.24-2build1
2024-08-17 23:09:07 install cpp-11:amd64 <none> 11.4.0-1ubuntu1~22.04
2024-08-17 23:09:07 install libubsan1:amd64 <none> 12.3.0-1ubuntu1~22.04
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install gcc:amd64 <none> 4:11.2.0-1ubuntu1
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install libstdc++-11-dev:amd64 <none> 11.4.0-1ubuntu1~22.04
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install g++-11:amd64 <none> 11.4.0-1ubuntu1~22.04
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install g++:amd64 <none> 4:11.2.0-1ubuntu1
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install make:amd64 <none> 4.3-4.1build1
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install libdpkg-perl:all <none> 1.21.1ubuntu2.3
2024-08-17 23:09:08 install lto-disabled-list:all <none> 24
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install fontconfig-config:all <none> 2.13.1-4.2ubuntu5
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install javascript-common:all <none> 11+nmu1
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libalgorithm-diff-perl:all <none> 1.201-1
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libalgorithm-diff-xs-perl:amd64 <none> 0.04-6build3
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libalgorithm-merge-perl:all <none> 0.08-3
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libfontconfig1:amd64 <none> 2.13.1-4.2ubuntu5
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libjpeg-turbo8:amd64 <none> 2.1.2-0ubuntu1
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libdeflate0:amd64 <none> 1.10-2
2024-08-17 23:09:09 install libtiff5:amd64 <none> 4.3.0-6ubuntu0.9
```

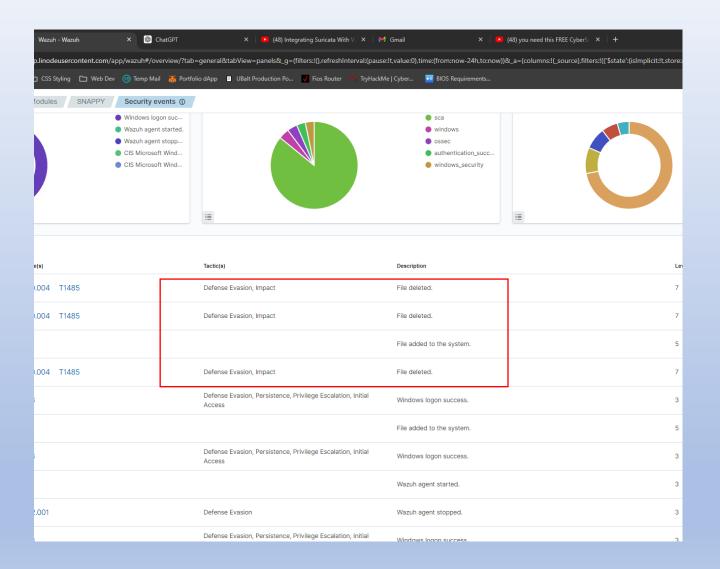
### Adding rules to monitor files

- Open your ossec.conf file and add the following line to the default files to be monitored. This will monitor my Resume and CV folder on my Desktop.
  - <directories realtime="yes"
    report\_changes="yes"
    check\_all="yes">C:\Users\mjden\Deskto
    p\Resume and CV</directories>

```
ossec.conf - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
   <scan on start>yes</scan on start>
   <interval>12h</interval>
   <skip nfs>yes</skip nfs>
 <!-- File integrity monitoring -->
 <syscheck>
   <disabled>no</disabled>
   <!-- Frequency that syscheck is executed default every 12 hours -->
   <frequency>43200</frequency>
   <!-- Default files to be monitored. -->
   <directories recursion_level="0" restrict="regedit.exe$|system.ini$|win.ini$">%WINDIR%</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="at.exe$|attrib.exe$|cacls.exe$|cmd.exe$|eventcreate.exe$|ftp.exe$|lsass.exe$|net.exe$|</pre>
   <directories recursion level="0">%WINDIR%\SysNative\drivers\etc</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="WMIC.exe$">%WINDIR%\SysNative\wbem</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="powershell.exe$">\mathbb{\mathbb{W}INDIR\\SysNative\WindowsPowerShell\\v1.0</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="winrm.vbs$">%WINDIR%\SysNative</directories>
   <directories realtime="yes" report changes="yes" check all="yes">C:\Users\mjden\Desktop\Resume and CV</directories>
   <!-- 32-bit programs. -->
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="at.exe$|attrib.exe$|cacls.exe$|cmd.exe$|eventcreate.exe$|ftp.exe$|lsass.exe$|net.exe$|</pre>
   <directories recursion level="0">%WINDIR%\System32\drivers\etc</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="WMIC.exe$">%WINDIR%\System32\wbem</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="powershell.exe$">%WINDIR%\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0</directories>
   <directories recursion level="0" restrict="winrm.vbs$">%WINDIR%\System32</directories>
   <directories realtime="ves">%PROGRAMDATA%\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup</directories>
   <ignore>%PROGRAMDATA%\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\desktop.ini</ignore>
   <ignore type="sregex">.log$|.htm$|.jpg$|.png$|.chm$|.pnf$|.evtx$</ignore>
                                                                                   Ln 90. Col 81
                                                                                                     100% Windows (CRLF)
                                                                                                                           UTF-8
```

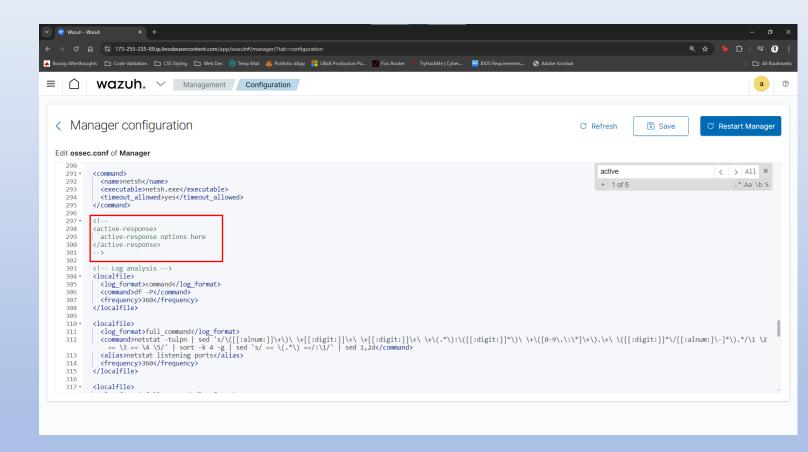
### Verify rule works on dashboard

 Look at your dashboard and verify that our rule is working. I added and deleted a few files to give the folder some activity, which showed up on my dashboard.



### Active Response Option

 Go into Manager Configuration on your Wazuh Dashboard and scroll down to active response. You will see a section that is commented out. This is your template to insert your active response rules.



### Set up Active Response

- You can use this template to block out the rules violated by your brute-force attack.
- In your security events log there will be a Rule ID that is tied to the authentication failures. You can set an automated response to ensure users cannot bruteforce attack you with ease.

```
Aug 18. 2024 0 21:34:05.132 sshd: authentication failed
Aug 18 2824 8 21:34:83.138 PAN: User login failed.
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:41.107 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent use
Aug 18, 2024 @ 21:33:39.105 sshd: brute force trying to get access to the system. Non existent user
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:37.103 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent use
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:33.099 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:31.097 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
Aug 18 2824 8 21:33:31 897 sobd: Attempt to logic using a conseristent user
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:31.097 PAM: User login failed.
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:31.097 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
 Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:29.095 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
Aug 18, 2024 @ 21:33:29.095 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:29.095 PAM: User login failed.
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:27.093 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
Aug 18, 2024 @ 21:33:19.084 sshd; authentication failed.
Aug 18, 2024 0 21:33:15.082 PAM: User login failed.
Aug 18, 2024 @ 21:33:07.074 sshd: Attempt to login using a non-existent user
```

```
<active-response>
  <command>firewall-drop</command>
  <location>local</location>
  <rules id>5710</rules id>
  <timeout>300</timeout>
</active-response>
<active-response>
  <command>firewall-drop</command>
  <location>local</location>
  <rules id>5712</rules id>
  <timeout>300</timeout>
</active-response>
 <active-response>
  <command>firewall-drop</command>
  <location>local</location>
  <rules_id>60122</rules_id>
  <timeout>300</timeout>
</active-response>
  <active-response>
  <command>firewall-drop</command>
  <location>local</location>
  <rules id>5503</rules id>
  <timeout>300</timeout>
</active-response>
```

### Conclusion

- Through this lab, we successfully set up a Wazuh SIEM environment on a Linode cloud server and integrated it with a Windows agent. The process involved configuring real-time monitoring for critical directories, responding to a brute force attack, and implementing advanced security measures like two-factor authentication.
- By completing this lab, we demonstrated the ability to deploy and configure a comprehensive security monitoring solution that can be customized to meet specific needs. This foundational setup not only helps in detecting and mitigating threats but also provides a scalable framework for future enhancements. As we move forward, we can continue to refine our monitoring capabilities, adding more alerts, fine-tuning our configurations, and ensuring that our security posture evolves alongside emerging threats.
- This lab is a strong starting point for any organization looking to enhance its security monitoring and incident response capabilities.