Week 4 Homework: Linux Systems Administration

Step 1: Ensure/Double Check Permissions on Sensitive Files

Permissions on /etc/shadow should allow only root read and write access.
Command to inspect permissions:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~

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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/shadow

-rw-r---- 1 root shadow 3043 Nov 14 16:37 /etc/shadow

sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

- •Command to set permissions (if needed): **Not required as permissions are correct**.
- •Permissions on /etc/gshadow should allow only root read and write access.
 - •Command to inspect permissions:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: ~

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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: ~$ ls -l /etc/shadow

-rw-r---- 1 root shadow 3043 Nov 14 16:37 /etc/shadow

sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: ~$ ls -l /etc/gshadow

-rw-r---- 1 root shadow 1087 Nov 14 16:33 /etc/gshadow

sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: ~$
```

•Command to set permissions (if needed): **Not required as permissions are correct.**

- •Permissions on /etc/group should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
 - Command to inspect permissions

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~

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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/shadow
-rw-r----- 1 root shadow 3043 Nov 14 16:37 /etc/shadow
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/gshadow
-rw-r---- 1 root shadow 1087 Nov 14 16:33 /etc/gshadow
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/group
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1318 Nov 14 16:33 /etc/group
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

- •Command to set permissions (if needed): **Not required as permissions are correct.**
- •Permissions on /etc/passwd should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
 - •Command to inspect permissions:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/group
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1318 Nov 14 16:33 /etc/group
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l /etc/passwd
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3315 Nov 14 16:37 /etc/passwd
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

•Command to set permissions (if needed): **Not required as permissions are correct**

Step 2: Create User Accounts

- •Add user accounts for sam, joe, amy, sara, and admin.
 - Command to add each user account (include all five users):
 - -Add one user:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: ~
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passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for amy
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
Full Name []:
            Room Number []:
Work Phone []:
Home Phone []:
Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n] y
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo adduser sara
Adding user `sara' ...
Adding new group `sara' (1018) ...
Adding new user `sara' (1016) with group `sara' ...
Creating home directory `/home/sara' ...
Copying files from `/etc/skel' ...
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for sara
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default Full Name []:
            Room Number []:
Work Phone []:
Home Phone []:
Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n] y
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo adduser admin
Adding user `admin' ...
Adding new group `admin' (1019) ...
Adding new user `admin' (1017) with group `admin' ...
Creating home directory `/home/admin' ...
Copying files form `/etc/skel' ...
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
Sorry, passwords do not match passwd: Authentication token manipulation error
passwd: password unchanged
Try again? [y/N]
Changing the user information for admin
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
            Full Name []:
            Room Number []:
Work Phone []:
Home Phone []:
Other []:

Is the information correct? [Y/n] y
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

All Users

- Ensure that only the admin has general sudo access.
 - Command to add admin to the sudo group:

```
admin@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ sudo usermod -a -G sudo admin
[sudo] password for admin:
admin@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ ls -l /etc/shadow
-rw-r---- 1 root shadow 3656 Nov 15 18:26 /etc/shadow
admin@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ sudo -l -U admin
Matching Defaults entries for admin on UbuntuDesktop:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/shap/bin

User admin may run the following commands on UbuntuDesktop:
    (ALL) ALL
admin@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$
```

Admin has all access to general sudo access.

Command: sudo usermod -a -G sudo admin

^K Cut Text ^J Justify

^U Uncut Text<mark>^T</mark> To Spell

^C Cur Pos

Go To Line

^G Get Help

Exit

^O Write Out ^W Where Is

Read File ^\ Replace

Other users not allowed to sudo access

```
sara@UbuntuDesktop: /home/sysadmin
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admin@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ su sam
Password:
sam@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ sudo -l -U sam
[sudo] password for sam:
Sorry, user sam is not allowed to execute 'list' as sam on UbuntuDesktop.
sam@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ su joe
joe@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ sudo -l -U joe
[sudo] password for joe:
Sorry, user joe is not allowed to execute 'list' as joe on UbuntuDesktop.
joe@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ su amy
Password:
amy@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ sudo -l -U amy
[sudo] password for amy:
Sorry, user amy is not allowed to execute 'list' as amy on UbuntuDesktop.
amy@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ su sara
Password:
sara@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ sudo -l -U sara
[sudo] password for sara:
Sorry, user sara is not allowed to execute 'list' as sara on UbuntuDesktop.
sara@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$
```

Step 3: Create User Group and Collaborative Folder

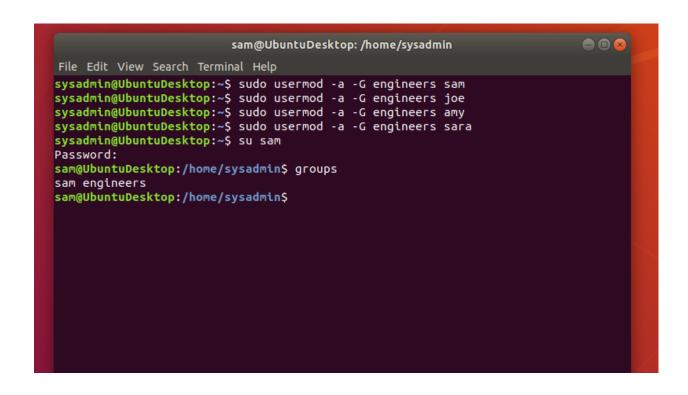
•Add an engineers group to the system.

Command to add group:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~

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sara@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin$ su sysadmin
Password:
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo addgroup engineers
Adding group `engineers' (GID 1020) ...
Done.
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

- Add users sam, joe, amy, and sara to the managed group.
 - Command to add users to engineers group (include all four users)
 - sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~\$ sudo usermod -a -G engineers sam
 - sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~\$ sudo usermod -a -G engineers joe
 - sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~\$ sudo usermod -a -G engineers amy
 - sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~\$ sudo usermod -a -G engineers sara
 - sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~\$ su sam
 - Password:
 - sam@UbuntuDesktop:/home/sysadmin\$ groups
 - sam engineers



- •Create a shared folder for this group at /home/engineers.
 - Command to create the shared folder:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: /home
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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ cd /home
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/home$ ls
                         jack joe
                                                           user.hashes
adam
      amy
             http
                                                  student
                                     max
                                           sam
      billy instructor jane john sally sara sysadmin vagrant
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/home$ sudo mkdir engineers
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/home$ ls
adam
      billy
                 instructor joe
                                   sally student
                                                      vagrant
admin
      engineers
                jack
                             john
                                  sam
                                          sysadmin
                            max
amy
      http
                 jane
                                   sara
                                          user.hashes
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/home$
```

Change ownership of the new engineers' shared folder to the engineers group.

• Command to change ownership of engineer's shared folder to engineer group:

sudo chgrp -R engineers /home/engineers/

sudo chown root:engineers /home/engineers/

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: /home
                                                                                                                                          File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/home$ sudo chgrp -R engineers /home/engineers/
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/home$ ls -l
total 76
                                                                  4096 Oct 2 15:09 adam
drwxr-xr-x 8 adam
                                              adam
                                                                  4096 Nov 15 18:27 admin
drwxr-xr-x 8 admin
                                              admin
drwxr-xr-x
                     8 amy
                                                                  4096 Nov 15 18:17 amy
                                              amy
                                                          4096 Oct 2 15:09 billy
                                              billy
drwxr-xr-x
                     8 billy
                                              engineers 4096 Nov 15 18:47 engineers
drwxr-xr-x 2 root
drwxr-xr-x 8 http
                                              http 4096 Oct 2 15:09 http
drwxr-xr-x 8 instructor instructor 4096 Oct 2 14:58 instructor

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      thstructor
      thstructor
      4096 Oct 2
      14:58
      thstructor

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      jack
      4096 Oct 2
      15:09
      jack

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      jane
      4096 Oct 2
      15:13
      jane

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      joe
      4096 Nov 15
      18:16
      joe

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      john
      4096 Oct 2
      15:09
      john

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      sally
      4096 Oct 2
      15:09
      max

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      sally
      4096 Nov 15
      18:25
      sam

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      sara
      4096 Nov 15
      18:17
      sara

      drwxr-xr-x
      8
      student
      4096 Oct 2
      14:58
      student

                                              student 4096 Oct 2 14:58 student
drwxr-xr-x 8 student
                                             sysadmin 4096 Nov 15 18:09 sysadmin
drwxr-xr-x 17 sysadmin
 -rw-r--r-- 1 root
                                              root
                                                                  1594 Oct 2 15:09 user.hashes
drwxr-xr-x 10 vagrant
                                              vagrant
                                                                  4096 Oct 2 15:27 vagrant
```

Step 4: Lynis Auditing

- •Command to install Lynis: sudo apt install lynis
- Command to see documentation and instructions

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/

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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$ sudo lynis show commands

Commands:
lynis audit
lynis configure
lynis show
lynis update
lynis upload-only

sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$
```

Command to run an audit:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/
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sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$ sudo lynis audit system

[ Lynis 2.6.2 ]
```

- •Provide a report from the Lynis output on what can be done to harden the system.
- •Screenshot of end of sample output: inside the homework/Lynis folder , here is the link below , 17 images and 1 Report text

Lynis Screenshot of Report Output Folder
Lynis Report Text File

what can be done to harden the system:

-Lynis update is available, we can update to a newer version which makes it more secure and gives better results.

Current version is 262

Latest version is 301

- Warning on Linux single user mode authentication, we can make it more secure maybe
- -USB ports are enable, maybe we can disable them to make the system more secure
- -Found error of vulnerable packages, i think to updating system will solve this problem
- -Fount a lot of errors on Kernel Hardening, this might be serious and maybe can be fixed with updating the version

And some extra errors at the end

- ! Version of Lynis is very old and should be updated [LYNIS] https://cisofy.com/controls/LYNIS/
- ! No password set for single mode [AUTH-9308] https://cisofy.com/controls/AUTH-9308/
- ! Found one or more vulnerable packages. [PKGS-7392] https://cisofy.com/controls/PKGS-7392/
- ! Found some information disclosure in SMTP banner (OS or software name) [MAIL-8818]

https://cisofy.com/controls/MAIL-8818/

And lots of suggestions (54) to make the system better.

Bonus

Command to install chkrootkit:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/
                                                                            File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$ chkrootkit
Command 'chkrootkit' not found, but can be installed with:
sudo apt install chkrootkit
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$ sudo apt install chkrootkit
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:
  fonts-liberation2 fonts-opensymbol gir1.2-dbusmenu-glib-0.4 gir1.2-dee-1.0
  gir1.2-geocodeglib-1.0 gir1.2-gst-plugins-base-1.0 gir1.2-gstreamer-1.0
  gir1.2-gudev-1.0 gir1.2-udisks-2.0 gir1.2-unity-5.0 grilo-plugins-0.3-base
  gstreamer1.0-gtk3 libboost-date-time1.65.1 libboost-locale1.65.1 libcdr-0.1-1
  libclucene-contribs1v5 libclucene-core1v5 libcmis-0.5-5v5 libcolamd2
  libdazzle-1.0-0 libe-book-0.1-1 libedataserverui-1.2-2 libeot0
  libepubgen-0.1-1 libetonyek-0.1-1 libevent-2.1-6 libexiv2-14
  libfreerdp-client2-2 libfreerdp2-2 libgee-0.8-2 libgexiv2-2 libgom-1.0-0
  libgpgmepp6 libgpod-common libgpod4 liblangtag-common liblangtag1
  liblirc-client0 libmediaart-2.0-0 libmspub-0.1-1 libodfgen-0.1-1 libqqwing2v5
 libraw16 librevenge-0.0-0 libsgutils2-2 libssh-4 libsuitesparseconfig5
  libvncclient1 libwinpr2-2 libxmlsec1 libxmlsec1-nss lp-solve
  media-player-info python3-debconf python3-debian python3-mako
  python3-markupsafe syslinux syslinux-common syslinux-legacy
  update-notifier-common usb-creator-common
Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  chkrootkit
0 upgraded, 1 newly installed, 0 to remove and 391 not upgraded.
Need to get 318 kB of archives.
After this operation, 1,013 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Get:1 http://us.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic-updates/universe amd64 chkrootki
t amd64 0.52-1ubuntu0.1 [318 kB]
Fetched 318 kB in 1s (435 kB/s)
Preconfiguring packages ...
Selecting previously unselected package chkrootkit.
(Reading database ... 143525 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../chkrootkit_0.52-1ubuntu0.1_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking chkrootkit (0.52-1ubuntu0.1) ...
Setting up chkrootkit (0.52-1ubuntu0.1) ...
Processing triggers for man-db (2.8.3-2ubuntu0.1) ...
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$
```

Command to see documentation and instructions:

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$ sudo chkrootkit -h
Usage: /usr/sbin/chkrootkit [options] [test ...]
Options:
                          show this help and exit
                          show version information and exit
       -V
       -1
                          show available tests and exit
       -d
                          debug
        -q
                          quiet mode
                          expert mode
                          exclude known false positive files/dirs, quoted,
        -e
                          space separated, READ WARNING IN README
                          use dir as the root directory
       -r dir
       -p dir1:dir2:dirN path for the external commands used by chkrootkit
                          skip NFS mounted dirs
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:/$
```

•Command to run expert mode: sudo chkrootkit -x

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop: ~
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                           2282 tty1
2287 tty1
2293 tty1
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-screensaver-proxy
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sharing
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-smartcard
                                                 /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-smartcard
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sound
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-wacom
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-xsettings
ibus-daemon --xim --panel disable
/usr/lib/ibus/ibus-dconf
/usr/lib/ibus/ibus-engine-simple
/usr/lib/ibus/ibus-xil --kill-daemon
/usr/lib/korg/Xorg vt2 -displayfd 3 -auth /run/user/1000/gdm/
--noreset -keeptty -verbose 3
                           2294 tty1
2303 tty1
   adm
                            2237 ttý1
   gdm
                           2190 tty1
2197 tty1
   gdm
   qdm
                           2356 tty1
   gdm
   gdm
                           2200 tty1
   sysadmin
                         19231 tty2
Xauthority -background none -noreset -keeptty -verbose 3
! sysadmin 19229 tty2 /usr/lib/gdm3/gdm-x-session --run-script env GNOME_SHELL_SESS
 sysadmin
ION_MODE=ubuntu gnome-session --session=ubuntu
! sysadmin 19250 tty2 /usr/lib/gnome-session/gnome-session-binary --session=ubuntu
   sysadmin
                          19439 tty2
                                                  /usr/bin/gnome-shell
                                                  /usr/bin/gnome-software --gapplication-service
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-a11y-settings
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-clipboard
   sysadmin
                         19886 tty2
                         19594 tty2
   svsadmin
   sysadmin
                         19595 tty2
   sysadmin
                          19592 tty2
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-color
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-datetime
/usr/lib/gnome-disk-utility/gsd-disk-utility-notify
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-housekeeping
   sysadmin
                         19600 tty2
   sysadmin
                         19690 tty2
                          19601 tty2
   sysadmin
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-keyboard
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-media-keys
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-mouse
   sysadmin
                         19603 tty2
                         19606 tty2
19552 tty2
   svsadmin
   sysadmin
                         19553 tty2
19557 tty2
   sysadmin
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-powe
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-print-notifications
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-printer
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-rfkill
   sysadmin
                         19638 tty2
   sysadmin
                          19558 tty2
   sysadmin
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-screensaver-proxy
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sharing
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-smartcard
   sysadmin
                         19560 tty2
                         19564 tty2
   svsadmin
   sysadmin
                         19569 tty2
                                                  /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sound
   sysadmin
                         19570 tty2
                                                 /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sound
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-wacom
/usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-wacom
/usr/lib/jnome-settings-daemon/gsd-wacom
/usr/lib/ibus/ibus-dconf
/usr/lib/ibus/ibus-engine-simple
/usr/lib/ibus/ibus-x11 --kill-daemon
nautilus-desktop
/bin/sh/usr/sbin/cbkrootkit-x
                         19573 tty2
   svsadmin
   sysadmin
                         19576 tty2
   sysadmin
                          19464 tty2
   sysadmin
                         19468 tty2
19757 tty2
   svsadmin
                          19470 tty2
   sysadmin
   sysadmin
                         19679 tty2
                         32551 pts/0
547 pts/0
                                                 /bin/sh /usr/sbin/chkrootkit -x
   root
                                                  ./chkutmp
                                                 ps axk tty,ruser,args -o tty,pid,ruser,args
sh -c ps axk "tty,ruser,args" -o "tty,pid,ruser,args"
sudo chkrootkit -x
                             551 pts/0
   root
                         549 pts/0
32550 pts/0
32540 pts/0
   root
   root
   sysadmin
chkutmp: nothing deleted
not tested
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

sudo chkrootkit -x > /home/sysadmin/report-chkrootkit.txt

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo chkrootkit -x > /home/sysadmin/report-chkrootkit.txt
/usr/sbin/chkrootkit: 608: /usr/sbin/chkrootkit: exportmode_output: not found
/usr/sbin/chkrootkit: 609: /usr/sbin/chkrootkit: exportmode_output: not found
ls -lsysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ ls -l
total 1144
drwxr-xr-x 3 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Oct 2 15:22 Cybersecurity-Lesson-Plans
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Nov 12 2019 Desktop
drwxr-xr-x 6 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Oct 2 15:22 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Oct
                                           2 15:23 Downloads
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Nov 12 2019 Music
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Nov 12
                                               2019 Pictures
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Nov 12
                                              2019 Public
drwxr-xr-x 5 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Oct 2 15:26 python
-rw-rw-r-- 1 sysadmin sysadmin 1127092 Nov 15 19:28 report-chkrootkit.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Nov 12
                                              2019 Templates
                                              2019 Videos
drwxr-xr-x 2 sysadmin sysadmin
                                  4096 Nov 12
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```

Provide a report from the chkrootkit output on what can be done to harden the system.

Screenshot of end of sample output:

Chkrootkit Report Text File

what can be done to harden the system: Chkrootkit is a free tool and i think every sysadmin should use it. According to my research on the internet, chkrootkit detects any rootkit infection. There are some important phrases like "infected, Not Infected, Not Found" etc.

```
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$ sudo chkrootkit -x | grep infected
not infected
not infected
/usr/sbin/chkrootkit: 608: /usr/sbin/chkrootkit: exportmode_output: not found
/usr/sbin/chkrootkit: 609: /usr/sbin/chkrootkit: exportmode_output: not found
not infected
not infected
not infected
! sysadmin 3507 pts/1 grep --color=auto infected
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```