# 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:

tar -xvvf TarDocs.tar

2. Command to **create** the Javaless\_Doc.tar archive from the TarDocs/ directory, while excluding the TarDocs/Documents/Java directory:

tar -cvvf Javaless Docs.tar --exclude="TarDocs/Documents/Java" TarDocs/

3. Command to ensure Java/ is not in the new Javaless\_Docs.tar archive:

tar -tvf Javaless Docs.tar | grep 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 -czf 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?

You wouldn't use the options -x and -c at the same time with tar because -x is for extracting a file and -c is for creating a file, so it wouldn't work to use them together.

# Step 2: Create, Manage, and Automate Cron Jobs

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

0 6 \* \* \*/4 tar -zcf /auth backup.tgz /var/log/auth.log

# **Step 3: Write Basic Bash Scripts**

1. Brace expansion command to create the four subdirectories:

sudo mkdir -p ~/backups/{freemem,diskuse,openlist,freedisk}

Paste your system.sh script edits below:

#### #!/bin/bash

2. [Your solution script contents here]

```
free -h > ~/backups/freemem/free_mem.txt
du -h > ~/backups/diskuse/disk_usage.txt
lsof > ~/backups/openlist/open_list.txt
df -h > ~/backups/freedisk/free_disk.txt
```

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

sudo chmod +x system.sh

#### **Optional**

Commands to test the script and confirm its execution:

```
cat ~/backups/freemem/free_mem.txt
cat ~/backups/diskuse/disk_usage.txt
cat ~/backups/openlist/open_list.txt
cat ~/backups/freedisk/free_disk.txt
```

#### **Bonus**

Command to copy system to system-wide cron directory:

sudo cp system.sh /etc/cron.weekly

# 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:
 [Your logrotate scheme edits here]

```
/var/log/auth.log {
weekly
rotate 7
notifempty
delaycompress
compress
missingok
endscript
}
```

# **Bonus: Check for Policy and File Violations**

1. Command to verify auditd is active:

systemctl status auditd

2. Command to set number of retained logs and maximum log file size:

sudo nano /etc/audit/auditd.conf

Add the edits made to the configuration file below:

```
num_logs=7
num_log_file=35
```

3. Command using auditd to set rules for /etc/shadow, /etc/passwd and /var/log/auth.log:

sudo nano /etc/audit/rules.d/audit.rules

Add the edits made to the rules file below:

```
-w etc/shadow -p wra -k hashpass_audit-w etc/passwd -p wra -k userpass_audit-w var/log/auth.log -p wra -k authlog_audit
```

4. Command to restart auditd:

sudo systemctl restart auditd

5. Command to list all auditd rules:

sudo auditctl -l

6. Command to produce an audit report:

sudo aureport -au

7. Create a user with sudo useradd attacker and produce an audit report that lists account modifications:

sudo useradd attacker sudo aureport -m

8. Command to use auditd to watch /var/log/cron:

sudo auditctl -w /var/log/cron

9. Command to verify auditd rules:

sudo auditctl -l

# Bonus (Research Activity): Perform Various Log Filtering Techniques

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

sudo journalctl -p 0..3

2. Command to check the disk usage of the system journal unit since the most recent boot:

sudo journalctl -b -u systemd-journald

3. Command to remove all archived journal files except the most recent two:

sudo journalctl --vacuum-file=2

4. 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

5. Command to automate the last command in a daily cronjob. Add the edits made to the crontab file below:

sudo crontab -e

[Your solution cron edits here]

0 20 \* \* \*/1 sudo journalctl -p 0..2 > /home/sysadmin/Priority\_High.txt