Defensive Security 1 (INFO70243)

Assignment 1

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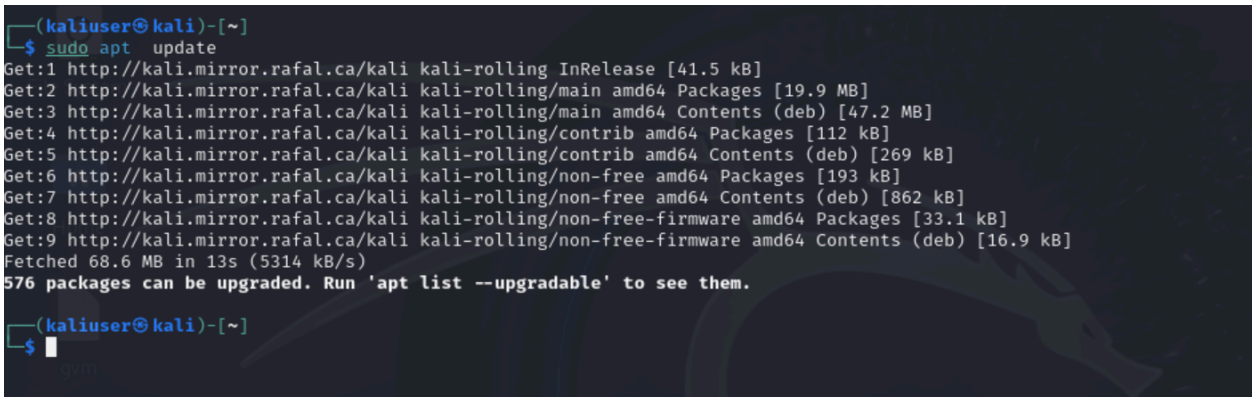
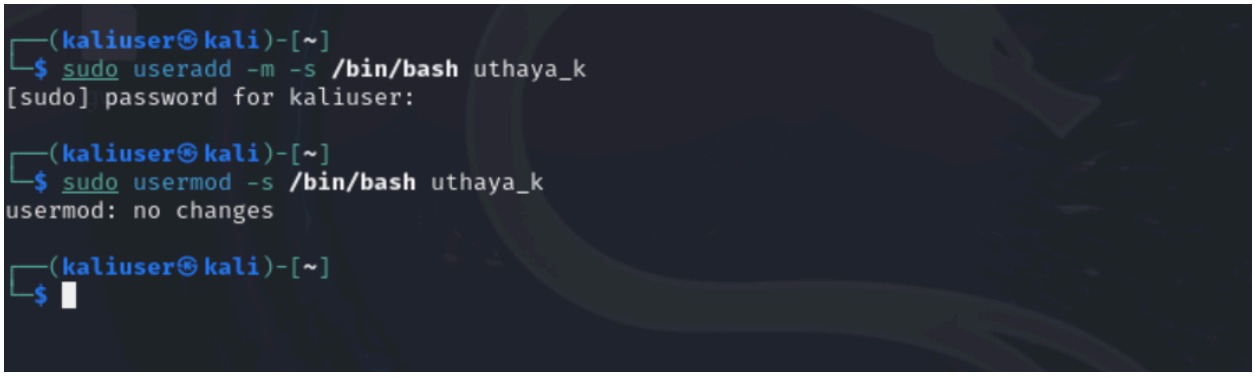
Task 1 – Using chkrootkit to check Linux box

Pre-lab configuration

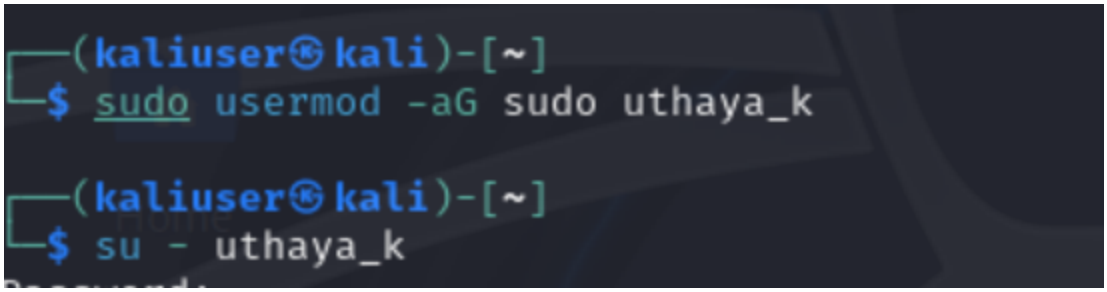


Create a user and his home directory with the same name as you,

Change default shell of the user to /bin/bash



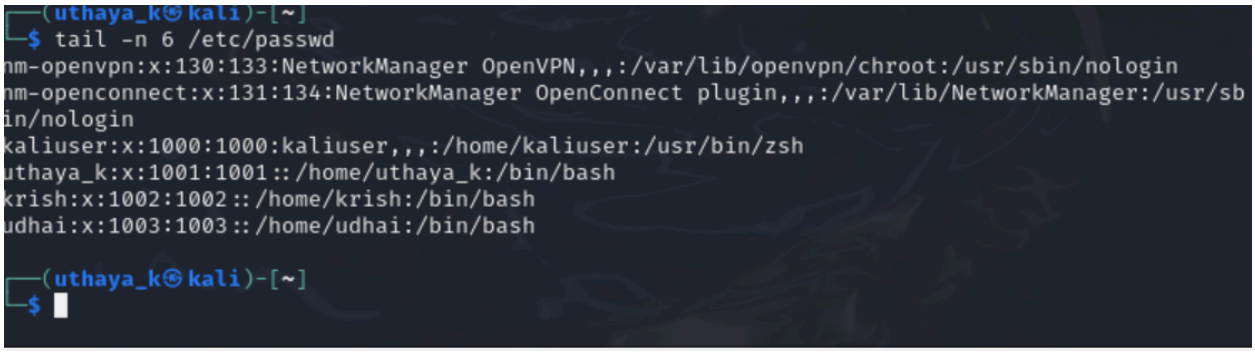
Add the user to sudo group



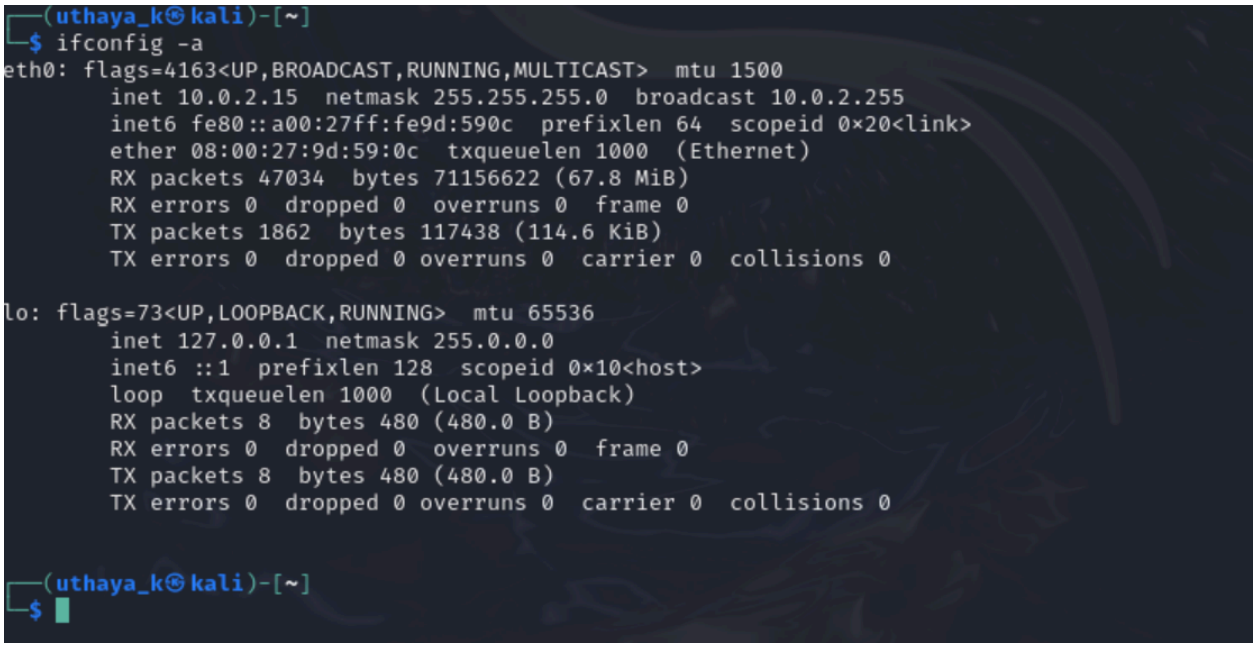
Login as that user

Create additional users, all members of your group, change default shell to /bin/bash

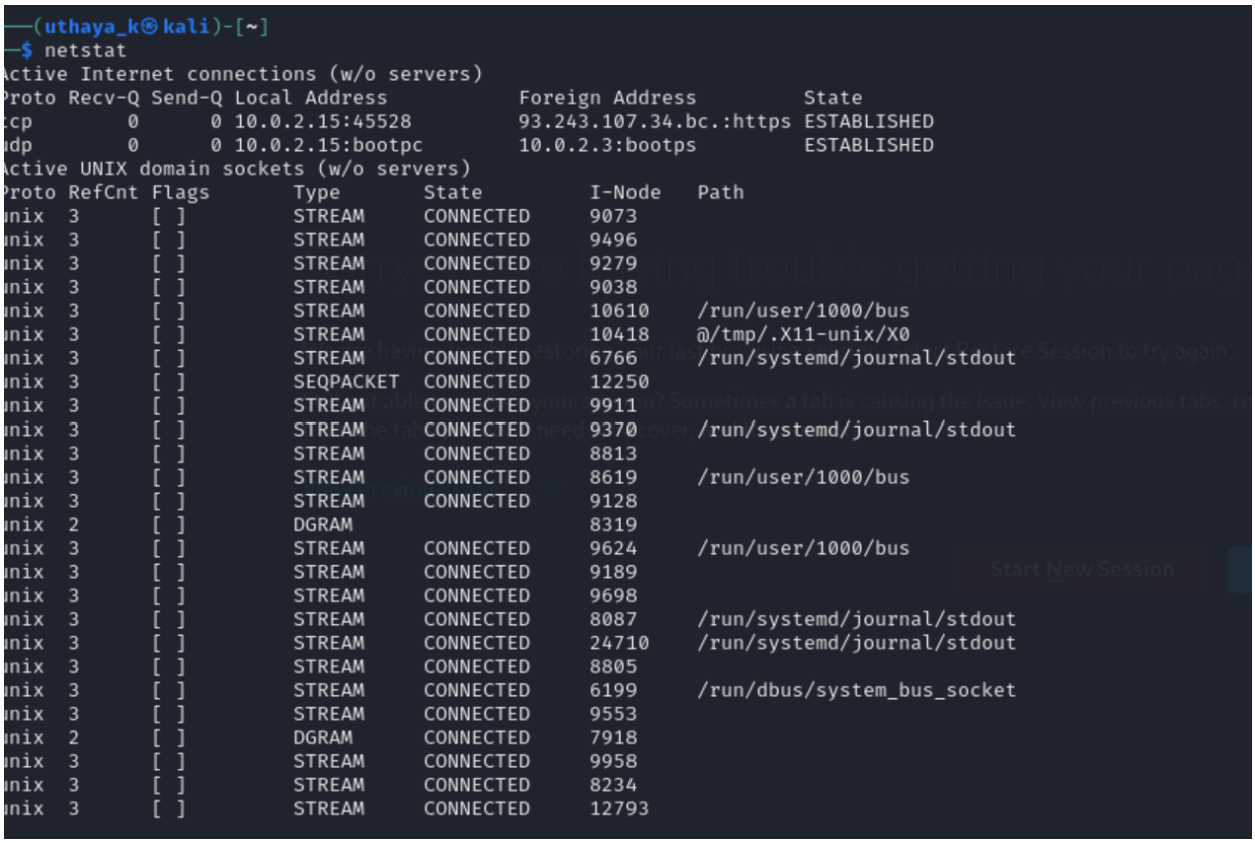
Using tail command, give me the output of last 6 lines of /etc/passwd file



Get the information of network interfaces of that VM



Get the information of all the listening port in that VM



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┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ netstat
Active Internet connections (w/o servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State
tcp        0      0 10.0.2.15:45528         93.243.107.34.bc.:https ESTABLISHED
udp        0      0 10.0.2.15:bootpc        10.0.2.3:bootps         ESTABLISHED
Active UNIX domain sockets (w/o servers)
Proto RefCnt Flags       Type       State         I-Node   Path
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9073
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9496
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9279
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9038
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     10610    /run/user/1000/bus
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     10418    @/tmp/.X11-unix/X0
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     6766     /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix  3      [ ]         SEQPACKET  CONNECTED     12250
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9911
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9370     /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     8813
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     8619     /run/user/1000/bus
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9128
unix  2      [ ]         DGRAM                    8319
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9624     /run/user/1000/bus
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9189
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9698
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     8087     /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     24710    /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     8805
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     6199     /run/dbus/system_bus_socket
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9553
unix  2      [ ]         DGRAM      CONNECTED     7918
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     9958
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     8234
unix  3      [ ]         STREAM     CONNECTED     12793
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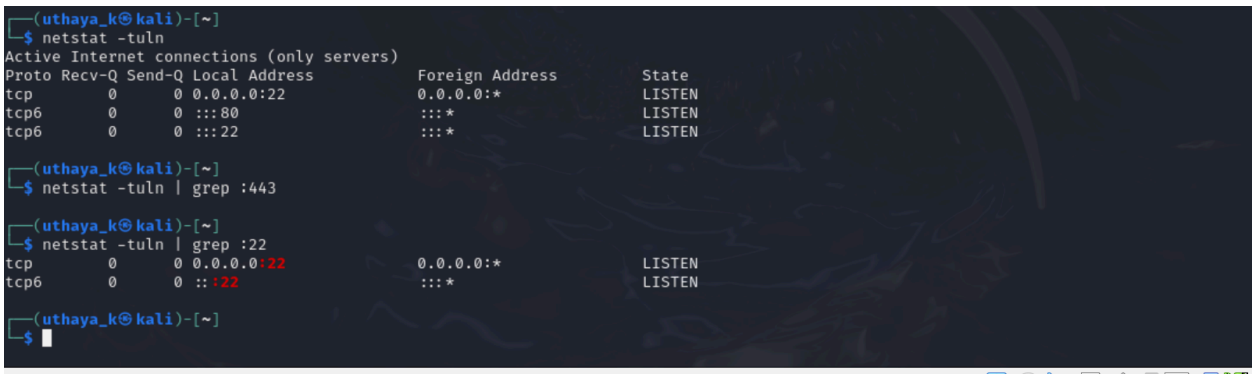
Pass all the output of 'netstat' command to pipe and then grep the port 443 from the results



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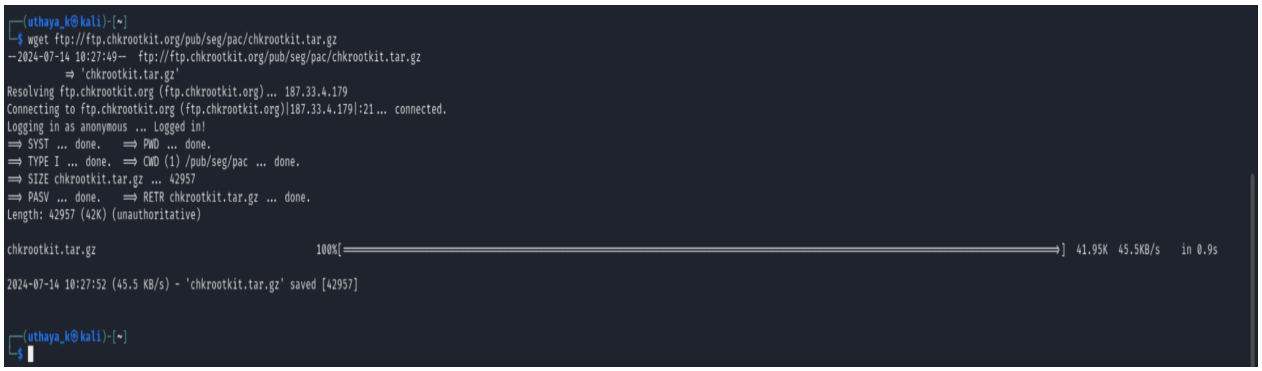
┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ netstat -tuln
Active Internet connections (only servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:22              0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN
tcp6       0      0 :::80                   :::*                    LISTEN
tcp6       0      0 :::22                   :::*                    LISTEN

┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ netstat -tuln | grep :443

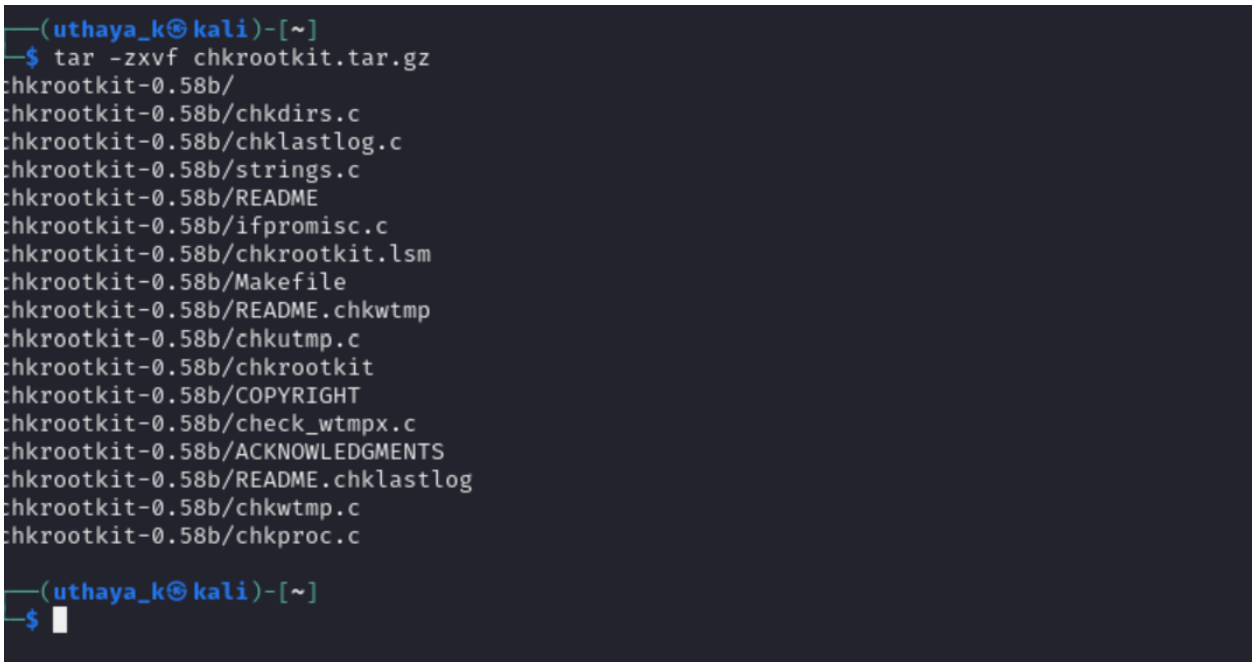
┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ netstat -tuln | grep :22
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:22              0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN
tcp6       0      0 :::22                   :::*                    LISTEN

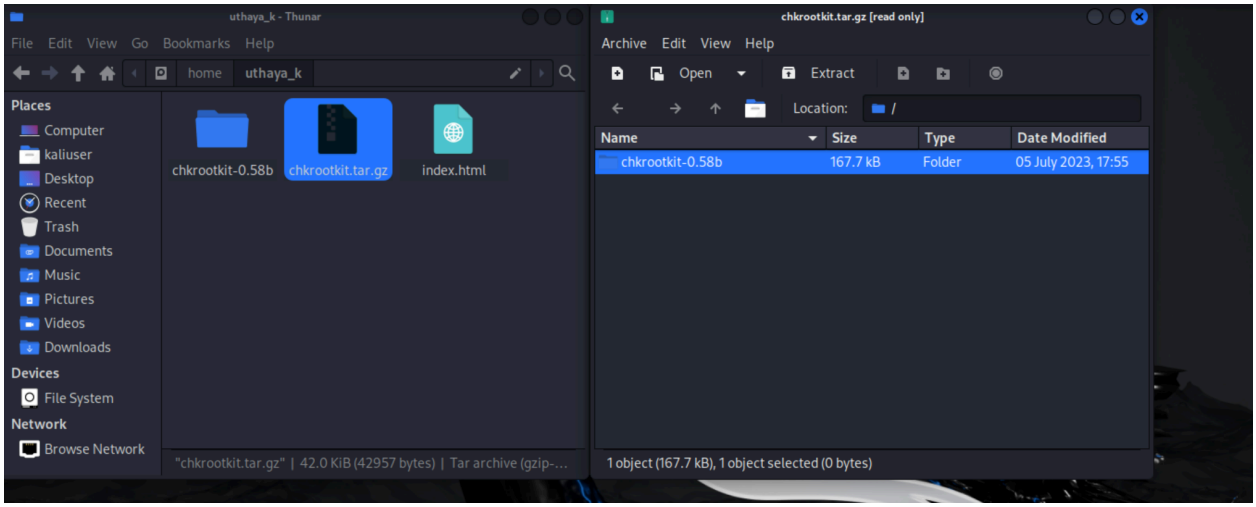
┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~]
└─$
```

Download Chkrootkit



untar the file





'Make' the file and run it – just run the basic 'chkrootkit' script

```
┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ cd chkrootkit-0.58b

┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~/chkrootkit-0.58b]
└─$ make
*** stopping make sense ***
make[1]: Entering directory '/home/uthaya_k/chkrootkit-0.58b'
cc -DHAVE_LASTLOG_H -o chklastlog chklastlog.c
chklastlog.c: In function 'main':
chklastlog.c:112:9: warning: 'memcpy' reading 127 bytes from a region of size 14 [-Wstringop-overrea
d]
  112 |         memcpy(wtmpfile, WTMP_FILENAME, 127);
      |         ^~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
chklastlog.c:113:9: warning: 'memcpy' reading 127 bytes from a region of size 17 [-Wstringop-overrea
d]
  113 |         memcpy(lastlogfile, LASTLOG_FILENAME, 127);
      |         ^~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
cc -DHAVE_LASTLOG_H -o chkwtmp chkwtmp.c
chkwtmp.c: In function 'main':
chkwtmp.c:73:8: warning: 'memcpy' reading 127 bytes from a region of size 14 [-Wstringop-overread]
   73 |        memcpy(wtmpfile, WTMP_FILENAME, 127);
      |        ^~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
cc -DHAVE_LASTLOG_H   -D_FILE_OFFSET_BITS=64 -o ifpromisc ifpromisc.c
cc  -o chkproc chkproc.c
cc  -o chkdirs chkdirs.c
cc  -o check_wtmpx check_wtmpx.c
cc -static  -o strings-static strings.c
cc  -o chkutmp chkutmp.c
make[1]: Leaving directory '/home/uthaya_k/chkrootkit-0.58b'

┌──(uthaya_k㉿kali)-[~/chkrootkit-0.58b]
└─$
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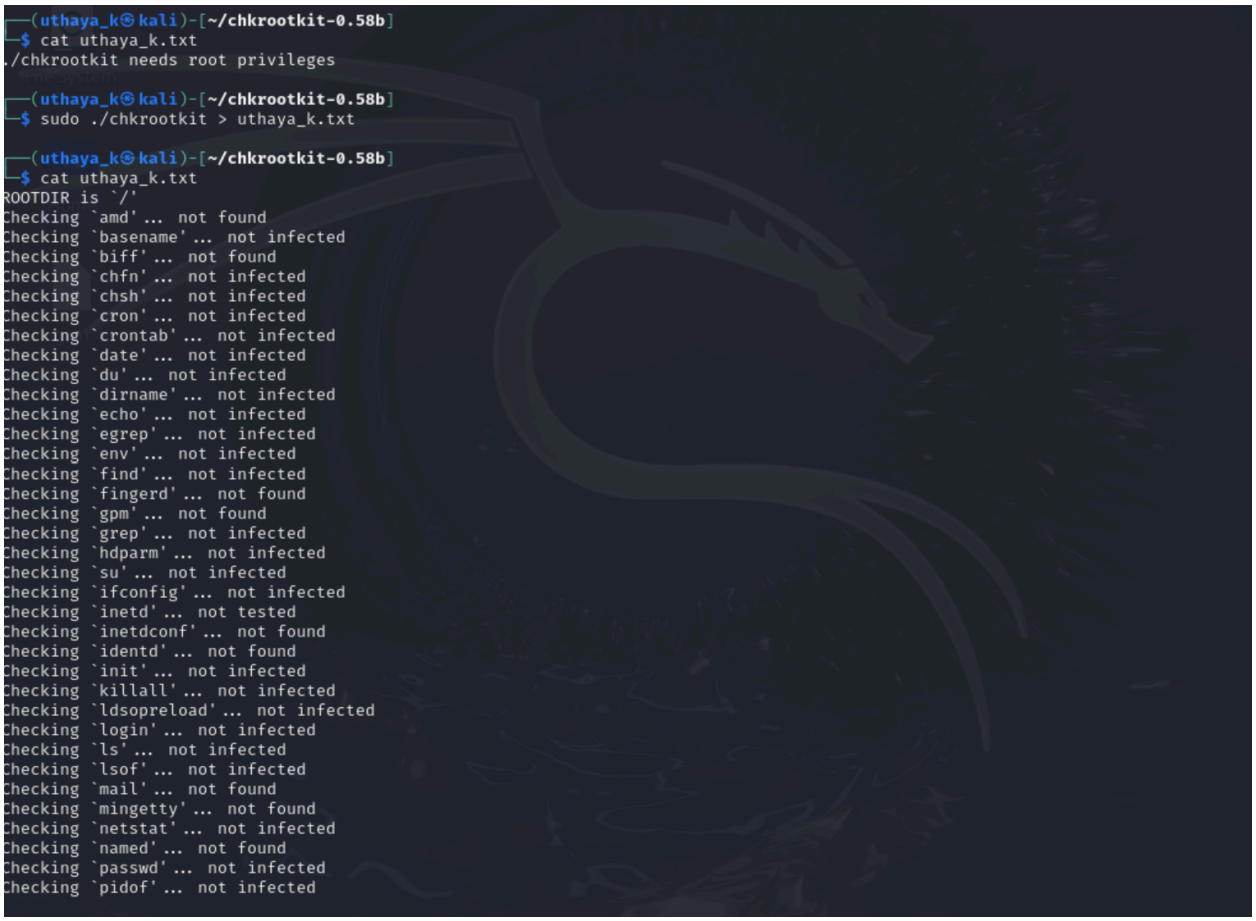
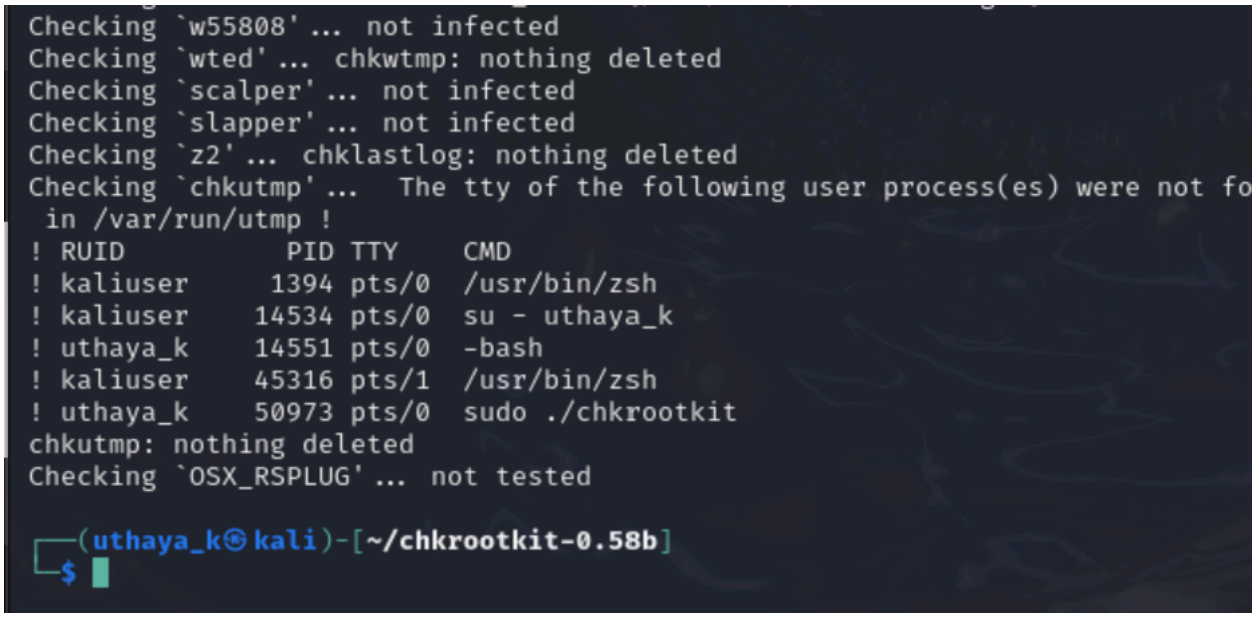
send the output to a text file. Text file name should be your name.txt





Task 2 – Research on Windows Forensic Artifacts

1. Network Activity - System Resource Usage Monitor (SRUM)

Description: The System Resource Usage Monitor (SRUM) in Windows tracks and logs resource usage metrics, including network activity by applications and processes. It provides details such as data sent/received, network connections, and usage patterns over time.

Location:

- **Windows 10**: `%SystemRoot%\System32\sru\sru.db`
- **Windows 8**: `%SystemRoot%\System32\sru\sru.db`
- **Windows 7**: `%SystemRoot%\System32\sru\sru.db`
- **Windows XP**: Not applicable (SRUM is not available in Windows XP)

Comparison to Linux: In Linux, similar network activity monitoring can be achieved using tools like `iftop`, `nload`, and `vnstat`. These tools provide real-time and historical network usage statistics but typically do not log detailed application-specific network activity by default.

Value in Forensic Investigation: SRUM data is invaluable for forensic investigations as it:

- **Identifies Malicious Activity**: Helps detect unauthorized network connections or data exfiltration attempts by malicious software.
- **User Behavior Analysis**: Reveals patterns of network usage by users or applications, aiding in understanding intent and establishing timelines.
- **Evidence in Legal Proceedings**: Provides concrete evidence of network activities that can be used in legal proceedings, such as proving unauthorized access or data breaches.

2. File/Folder Opening - Shell Bags

Description: Shell Bags in Windows store metadata and viewing preferences for folders accessed by users. They maintain details such as folder size, view settings, and the last accessed timestamp.

Location:

- **Windows 10, 8, 7**: Registry keys under `HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\Shell\Bags` and `HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\Shell\BagMRU`.

Comparison to Linux: In Linux, similar metadata about folder access can be found in `recently-used.xbel` files in user directories (`~/.local/share/recently-used.xbel`). These files maintain a history of recently accessed files and folders.

Value in Forensic Investigation: Shell Bags are valuable as they:

- **Reconstruct User Activity**: Provide a detailed timeline of folder access, aiding in reconstructing user navigation paths and activities.
- **Evidence of Intent**: Help establish user intent or actions taken, such as accessing specific folders containing sensitive information.
- **Malware Analysis**: Identify folders accessed by malware during an attack, aiding in understanding its impact and propagation.

3. Account Usage - Last Password Usage

Description: Last Password Usage records the timestamp of the last successful authentication using a user's password. It helps track account activity and detect unauthorized access attempts.

Location:

- **Windows 10, 8, 7**: Event Logs (`Security` log) containing Event IDs such as 4624 (Successful Logon) and 4776 (Authentication Ticket Granted).

Comparison to Linux: In Linux, authentication events are logged in `/var/log/auth.log` or `/var/log/secure`. These logs record successful and failed authentication attempts, but may not explicitly track the last password usage timestamp.

Value in Forensic Investigation: Last Password Usage is crucial as it:

- **Audits Account Activity**: Logs timestamps of password usage, aiding in auditing user account access and monitoring for unauthorized logins.
- **Forensic Timeline**: Establishes a timeline of user authentication events, helping investigators trace user actions and interactions with the system.
- **Detection of Compromised Accounts**: Alerts to unauthorized usage of credentials, identifying potential insider threats or external breaches.