

**CYSE 270: Linux System for Cybersecurity**

**The goal of this lab is to test the strength of different passwords.**

**Task A – Password Cracking**

1. Create **6 users** in your Linux Terminal, then set the password for each user that meets the following complexity requirement respectively. You should list the passwords created for each user. **[6 \* 5 = 30 points]**.
  1. For user1, the password should be a simple dictionary word (all lowercase)  
A: (pebbles)
  2. For user2, the password should consist of 4 digits.  
A: (1234)
  3. For user3, the password should consist of a simple dictionary word of any length characters (all lowercase) + digits.  
A: (catfish99)
  4. For user4, the password should consist of a simple dictionary word characters (all lowercase) + digits + symbols.  
A: (barn25!)
  5. For user5, the password should consist of a simple dictionary word (all lowercase) + digits.  
A: (truck60)
  6. For user6, the password should consist of a simple dictionary word (with a combination of lower and upper case) + digits + symbols.  
A: (RedFishspace99!)

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        Home Phone []:
        Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n] y

└─(adan㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$ sudo adduser user4
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for user4
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

└─(adan㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$ sudo adduser user5
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for user5
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]

└─(adan㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$ sudo adduser user5
fatal: The user `user5' already exists.

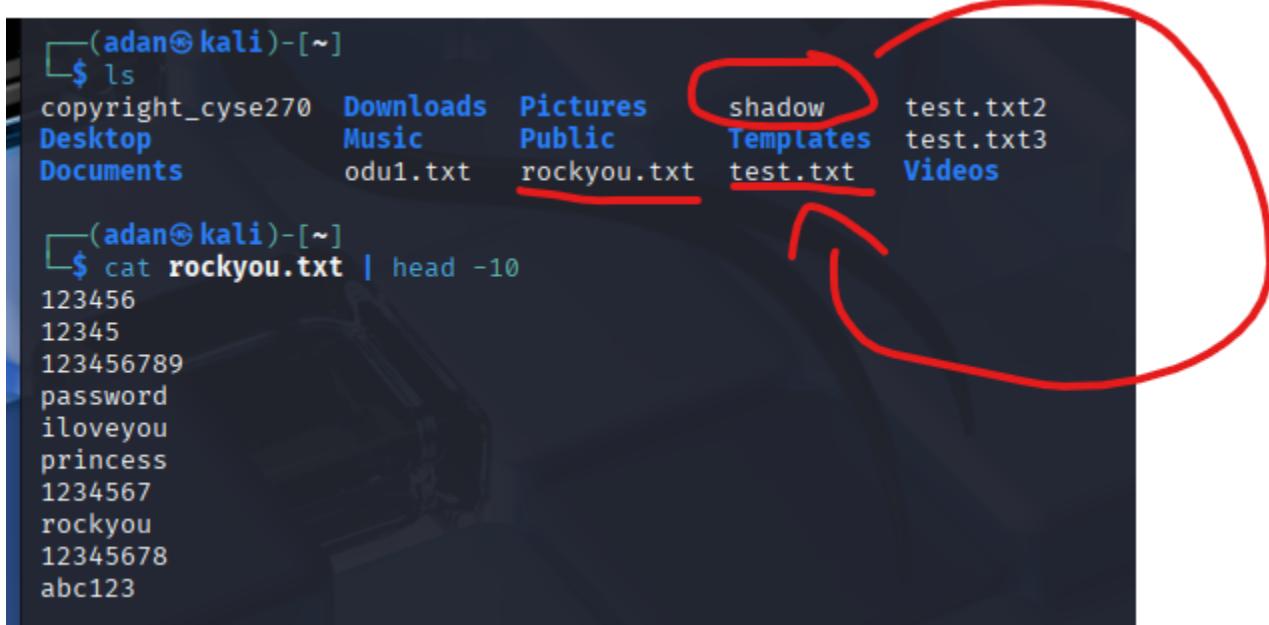
└─(adan㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$ sudo adduser user6
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for user6
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
    Full Name []:
    Room Number []:
    Work Phone []:
    Home Phone []:
    Other []:
Is the information correct? [Y/n]

└─(adan㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
└─$
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**Remember, do not use the passwords for your real-world accounts.**

2. Export above users' hashes into a file named **xxx.hash (replace xxx with your MIDAS name)** and use John the Ripper tool to crack their passwords in wordlist mode (use rockyou.txt). **[ 40 points]**

I had many problems with this step and I tried many things to fix it. I will reach out for help. I am confused on why this does not work. I have done this before in other classes. So I am familiar with password cracking. Everything is in the home directory.



The screenshot shows a terminal window with two commands. The first command, 'ls', lists the contents of the home directory, including 'Downloads', 'Pictures', 'Public', 'Templates', and 'Videos' folders, and files 'odu1.txt', 'rockyou.txt', 'test.txt', 'test.txt2', and 'test.txt3'. The 'Templates' folder and the 'test.txt' file are circled in red. The second command, 'cat rockyou.txt | head -10', shows the first 10 lines of the 'rockyou.txt' file, which contains a list of common passwords.

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(adan㉿kali)-[~]
$ ls
copyright_cyse270  Downloads  Pictures  shadow  test.txt2
Desktop            Music      Public    Templates  test.txt3
Documents          odu1.txt  rockyou.txt  test.txt  Videos
(adan㉿kali)-[~]
$ cat rockyou.txt | head -10
123456
12345
123456789
password
iloveyou
princess
1234567
rockyou
12345678
abc123
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The shadow directory was moved to my home directory into "test.txt". I have the rockyou.txt un zip in the home directory. I showed proof of me reading each file. One has the password and the other has the hashes.

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rtkit:::20343:::::  
colord:::20343:::::  
adan:$y$j9T$CK55T3F/PowDQdURFFLVJ1$Ef.IXx19ACARb0JJ9wfRuIXk3IvhAb53uPjG3egx4w  
D:20343:0:99999:7 :::  
Juan:$y$j9T$dYq8gtk4C34WtNZ8000I51$qDDC1QSVLNWn.kbj6SZdxnDlvsVgA/Wyyn.jYGllo  
p1:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user1:$y$j9T$nnb0RSJ/mfKbk9lEMAKi/.CIrdD3wa846qd0kb4UiPJLECr78DX9RJbsbNqfqVG  
4D:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user2:$y$j9T$C/7g00RXbrH8eCJI7ACfx1$Hnr27incgahHev0ZtzZX7zibn8BdlWwjxMe7hIhS.  
9A:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user3:$y$j9T$WMBNopUhc0kXjxXdhC0kU1$/GjwB0AD0GXQcMCAlMGumnXvsDbuXgHIx1v0bV50i  
h2:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user4:$y$j9T$D0Xv/Ufcpj91XIxoK/80$Jw24Q6LJgQyLoRnxX8nZhp8zrQw8xOCZ0PSlBney2  
ZB:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user5:$y$j9T$K/EROHwgYANkCHWZB21h6/$xmlKPBYVNVNJ5FxtMqMQNTMFesXUWqzQBK2.zr0VQ  
e0:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user6:$y$j9T$7pXr3.XfCN8FVppOPElGm.$Ez0z.VGco6EQvk1iH5Ix8r0lvW5wfPq6el/911WKC  
c.:20362:0:99999:7 :::
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adani@kali: ~  
File Actions Edit View Help  
D:20343:0:99999:7 :::  
Juan:$y$j9T$dYq8gtk4C34WtNZ8000I51$qDDC1QSVLNWn.kbj6SZdxnDlvsVgA/Wyyn.jYGllo  
p1:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user1:$y$j9T$nnb0RSJ/mfKbk9lEMAKi/.CIrdD3wa846qd0kb4UiPJLECr78DX9RJbsbNqfqVG  
4D:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user2:$y$j9T$C/7g00RXbrH8eCJI7ACfx1$Hnr27incgahHev0ZtzZX7zibn8BdlWwjxMe7hIhS.  
9A:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user3:$y$j9T$WMBNopUhc0kXjxXdhC0kU1$/GjwB0AD0GXQcMCAlMGumnXvsDbuXgHIx1v0bV50i  
h2:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user4:$y$j9T$D0Xv/Ufcpj91XIxoK/80$Jw24Q6LJgQyLoRnxX8nZhp8zrQw8xOCZ0PSlBney2  
ZB:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user5:$y$j9T$K/EROHwgYANkCHWZB21h6/$xmlKPBYVNVNJ5FxtMqMQNTMFesXUWqzQBK2.zr0VQ  
e0:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
user6:$y$j9T$7pXr3.XfCN8FVppOPElGm.$Ez0z.VGco6EQvk1iH5Ix8r0lvW5wfPq6el/911WKC  
c.:20362:0:99999:7 :::  
 (adan@kali)-[~]  
 $ sudo john --format=crypt test.txt --wordlist=home/adan/rockyou.txt  
Using default input encoding: UTF-8  
Loaded 8 password hashes with 8 different salts (crypt, generic crypt(3) [?/6  
4])  
Cost 1 (algorithm [1:descrypt 2:md5crypt 3:sunmd5 4:bcrypt 5:sha256crypt 6:sh  
a512crypt]) is 0 for all loaded hashes  
Cost 2 (algorithm specific iterations) is 1 for all loaded hashes  
fopen: home/adan/rockyou.txt: No such file or directory  
 (adan@kali)-[~]  
 $
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I finally run john to crack the passwords, and this is all I get. Is the path to rockyou.txt not correct? It's in my home directory so I am confused. I know I have the right idea, but it is not executing.

3. Keep your john the ripper cracking for 10 minutes. How many passwords have been successfully cracked? **[30 points]**

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### Extra credit (10 points):

1. Find and use the proper format in John the ripper to crack the following **MD5 hash**.

Show your steps and results.

- a. 5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb882cf99
- b. 63a9f0ea7bb98050796b649e85481845