

Re: Locking the failed login attempt

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In article <4996bd47.0407210012.7560f36a@posting.google.com>, heiskr1s@hotmail.com (Kristianto) wrote:

- > *Hello gurus,*
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- > *Is there anyway to lock a user account after, say 3, failed login attempts?*
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- > *I know that solaris drops the tty after 5 (default). This, however, is not what the customer wants.*
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- > *They want the account "locked" and possibly a message displayed to the user.*
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- > *I know this take risk, specially for the failed root password.*
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- > *Thanks in Advance*
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- > *Kristianto*

This is ill-advised as it's an opportunity for a denial of service attack. All someone would need is a list of accounts and they could lock them all out. Is there some external security requirement they need to fulfill?

Solaris can't do this out-of the box. It would require installing a custom PAM. There are some that do this. Google for them.

Does Solaris 10 will have this feature? Installing that might be your solution.

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DeeDee, don't press that button! DeeDee! NO! Dee...