

## 5.2.1 Ensure permissions on /etc/ssh/sshd\_config are configured (Scored)

### Profile Applicability

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Level 1 - Server
Level 1 - Workstation
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### Description

The /etc/ssh/sshd\_config file contains configuration specifications for sshd. The command below sets the owner and group of the file to root.

### Rationale

The /etc/ssh/sshd\_config file needs to be protected from unauthorized changes by non-privileged users.

### Audit

Run the following command and verify Uid and Gid are both 0/root and Access does not grant permissions to group or other:

```
# stat /etc/ssh/sshd_config
Access: (0600/-rw-----) Uid: ( 0/ root) Gid: ( 0/ root)
```

### Remediation

Run the following commands to set ownership and permissions on /etc/ssh/sshd\_config:

```
# chown root:root /etc/ssh/sshd_config
# chmod og-rwx /etc/ssh/sshd_config
```

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