

sshd[902]: debug1:PAM: password authentication failed for an illegal user: Authentication failure

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If you are getting the error when you configured pam_ldap for the backend ssh authentication.

Ensure to uncomment following lines in /etc/ldap.conf



Restart the nscd service.



The following commands should now return a result from AD/LDAP.



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root@ubuntu:~#
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Online URL:

<https://www.ezeelogin.com/kb/article/sshd902-debug1pam-password-authentication-failed-for-an-illegal-user-authentication-failure-183.html>