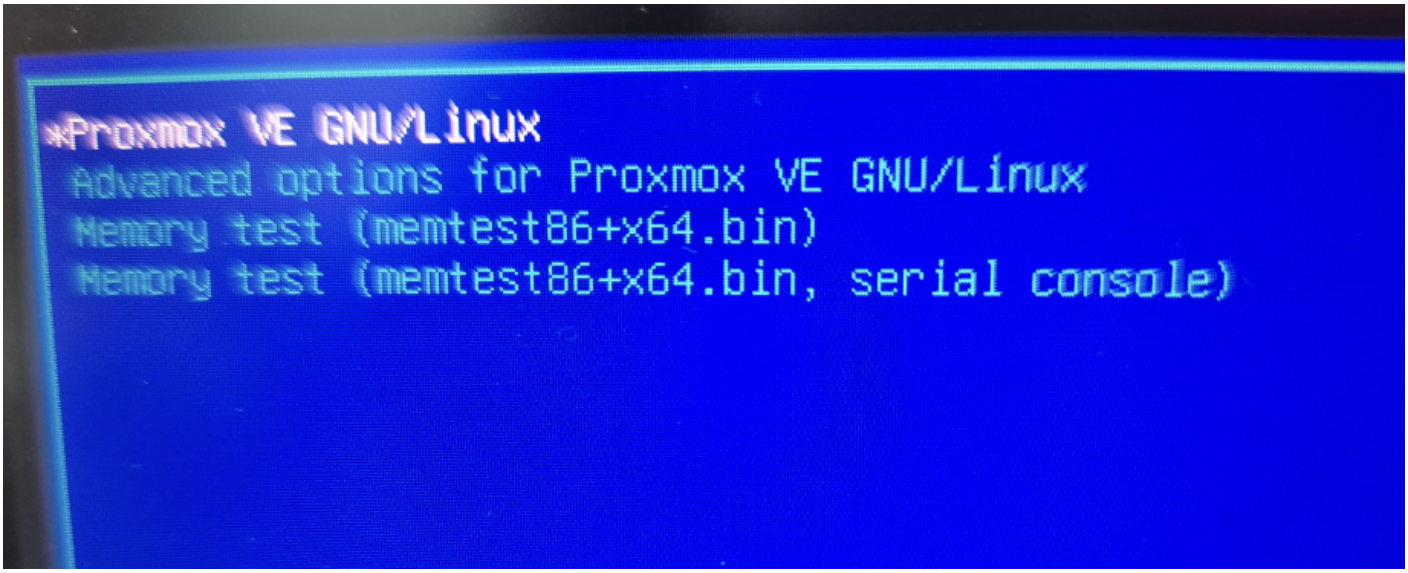
Proxmox VE root pass reset (break the glass)

If you forgot the password, it is possible to change passowrd from the machine's console (physical access required):

Reset root password inside rescue shell:

Boot the server.

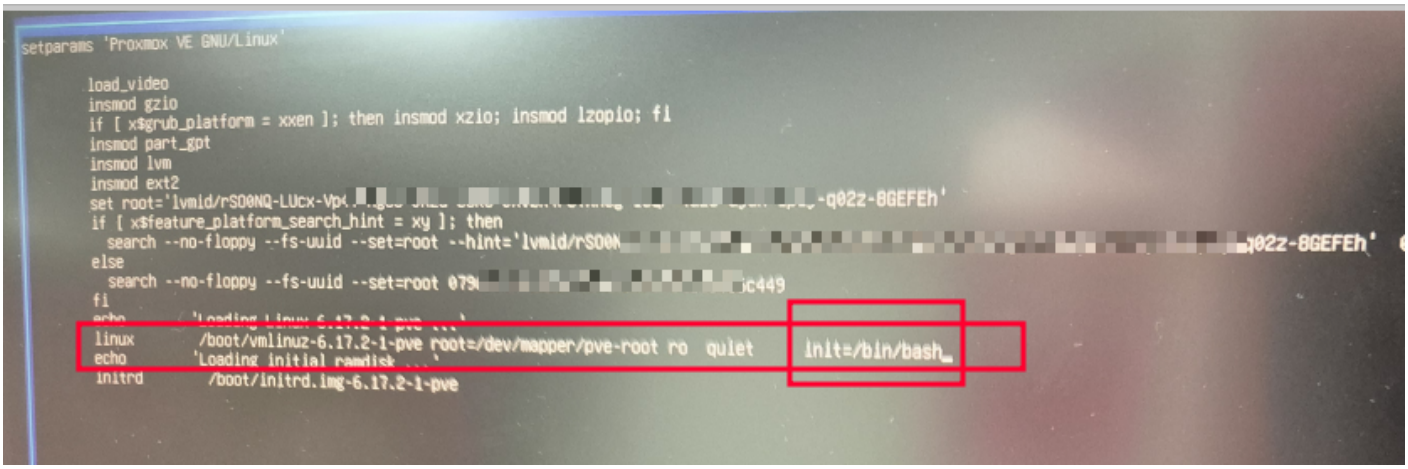
In GRUB find `Proxmox VE GNU/Linux` and press `e` to edit boot entry.



Config file will open, Find the line starting with `linux` (to load Linux kernel)

Add at the end of the that same line (not to the end of the file):

```
init=/bin/bash
```

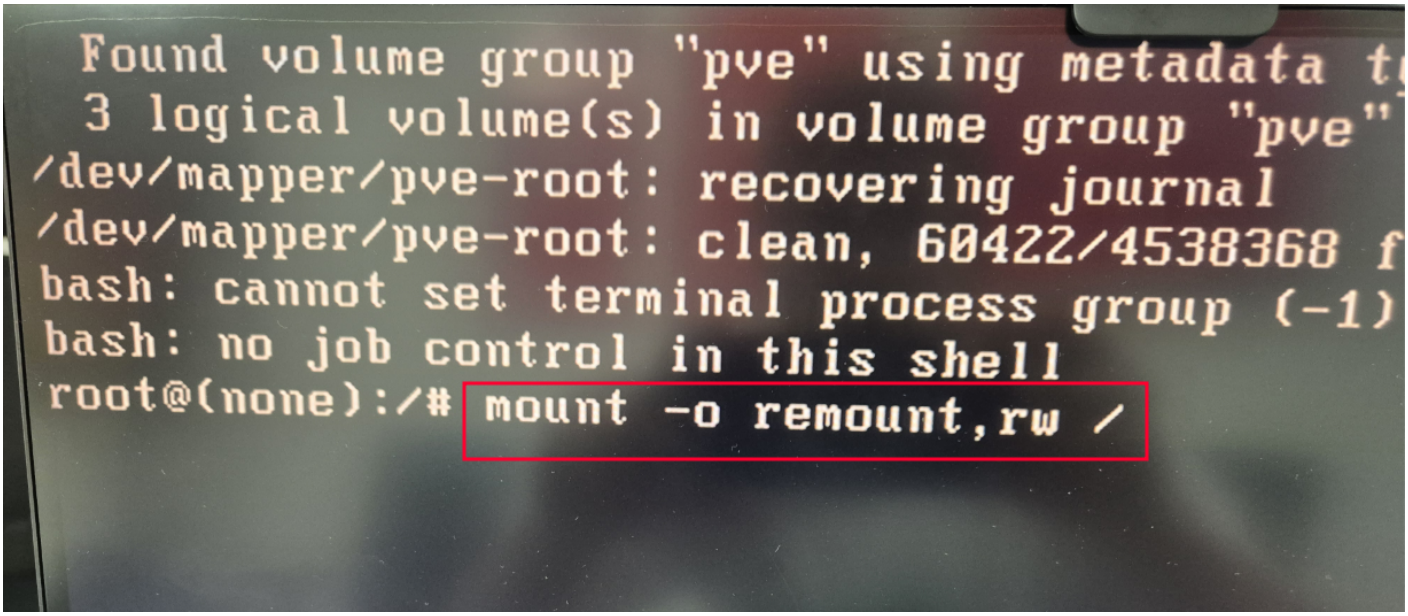


Boot with

```
CTRL+X
```

Remount filesystem in read-write mode:

```
mount -o remount,rw /
```

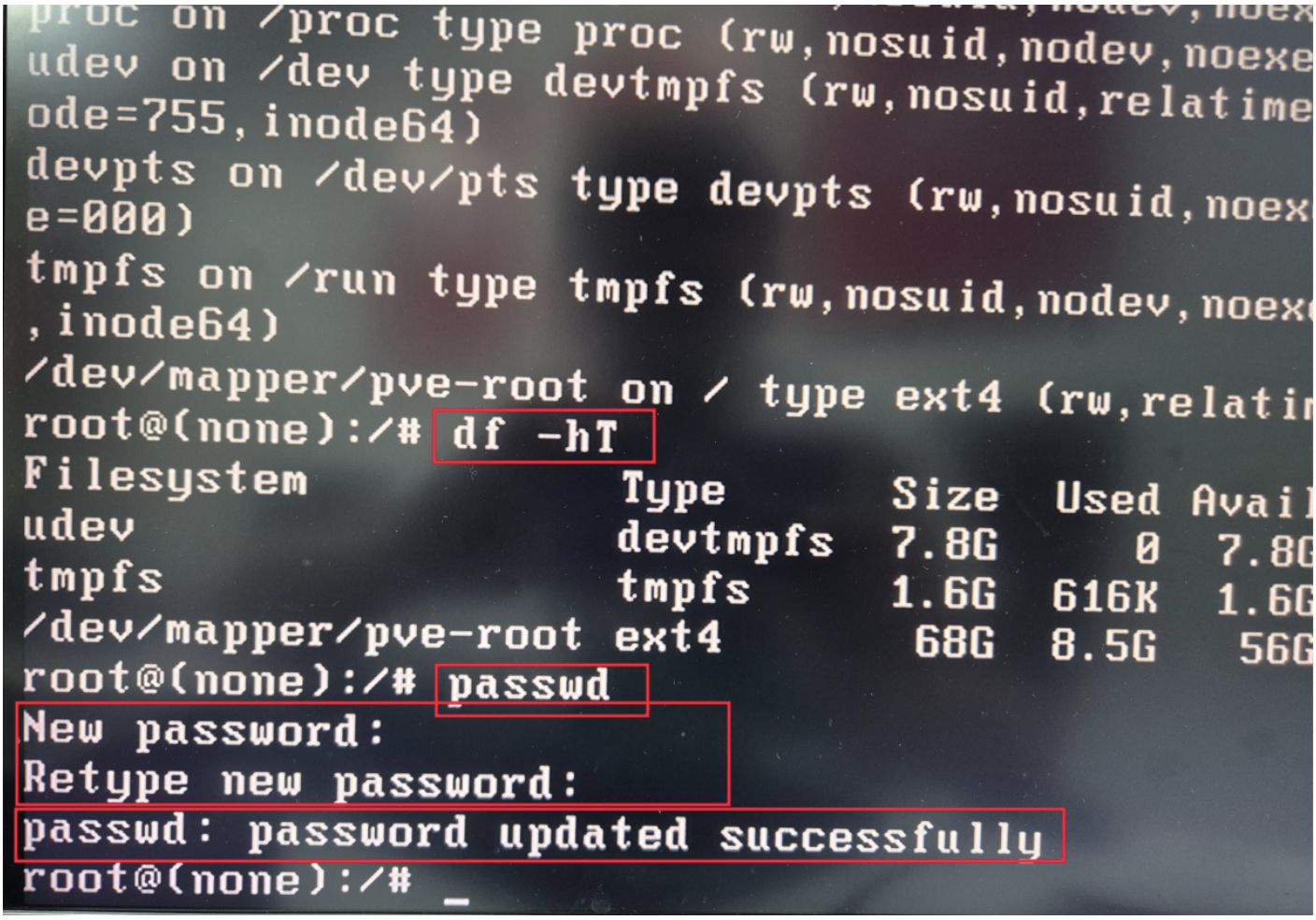


Check the disk (optionally) to verify the disk is re-mounted:

```
df -hT
```

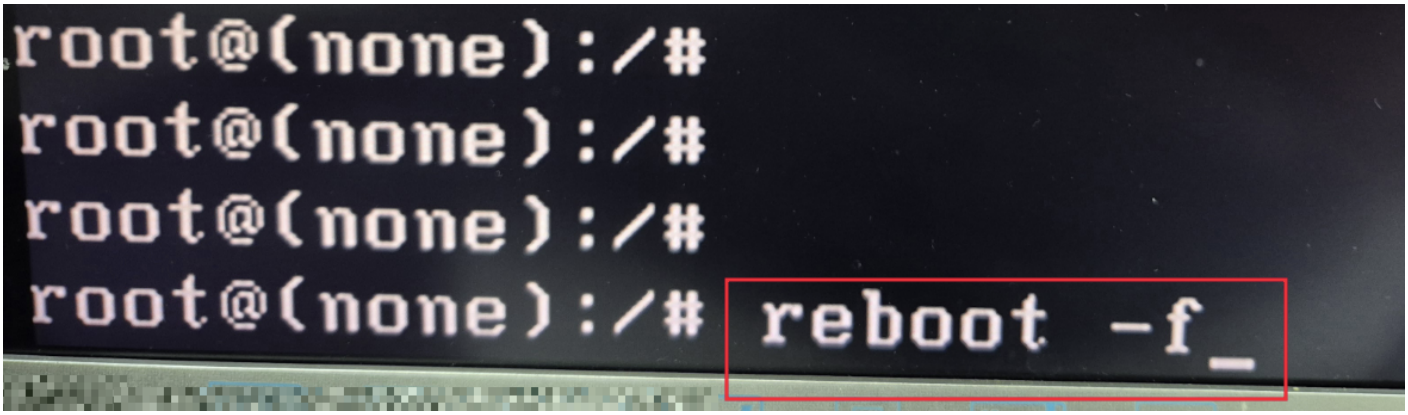
Change root's password:

```
passwd
```



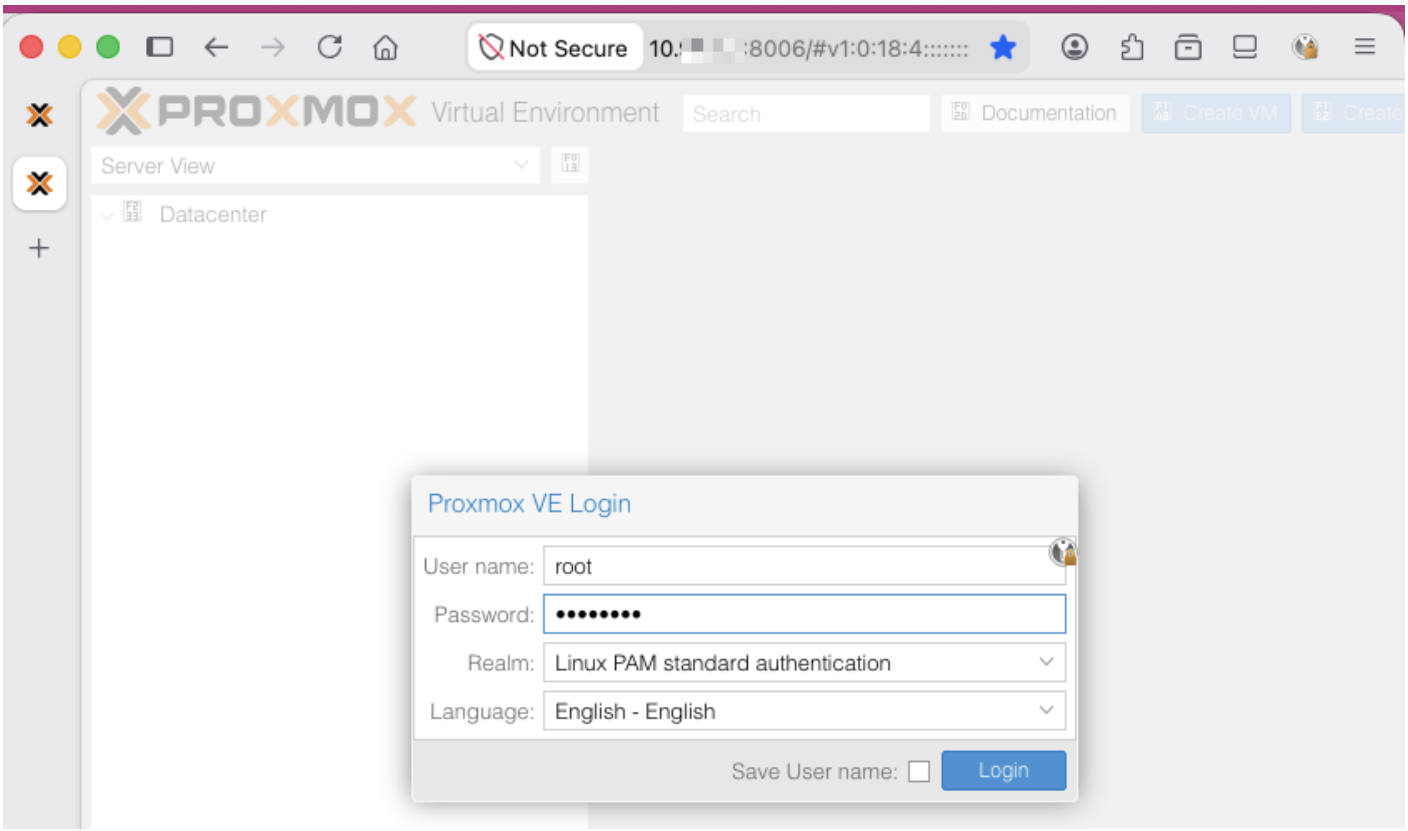
Reboot

```
reboot -f
```

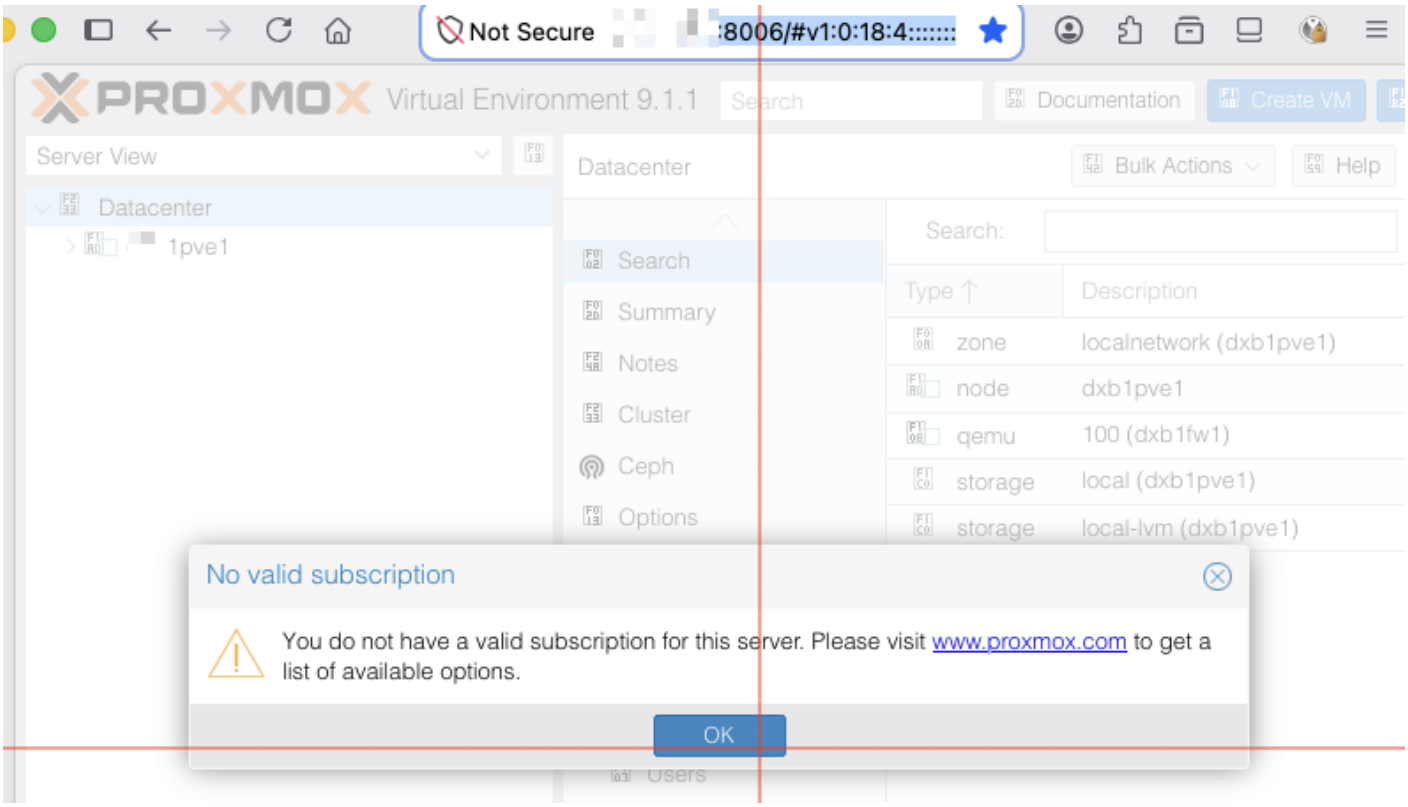


Login with new pass, usually to port 8006

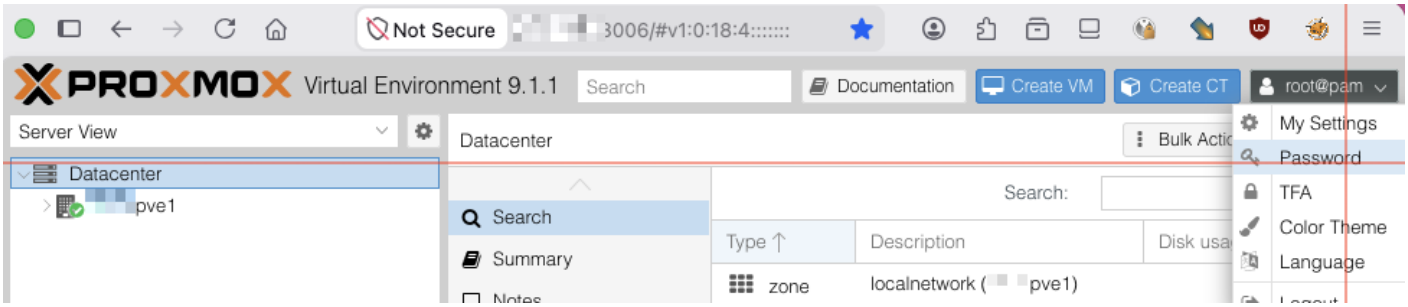
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https://nn.nn.nn.nn:8006/
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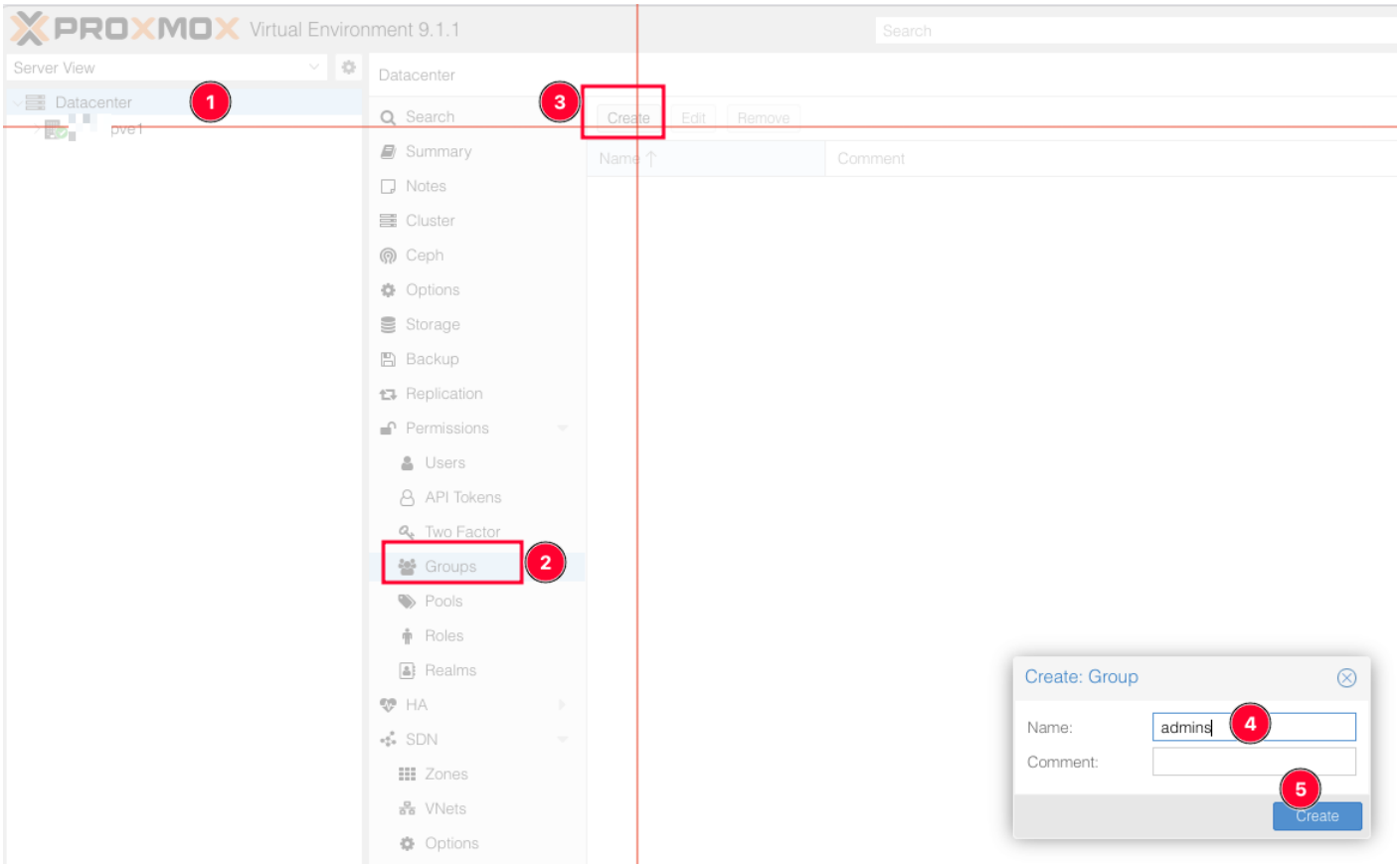
and press [Login]



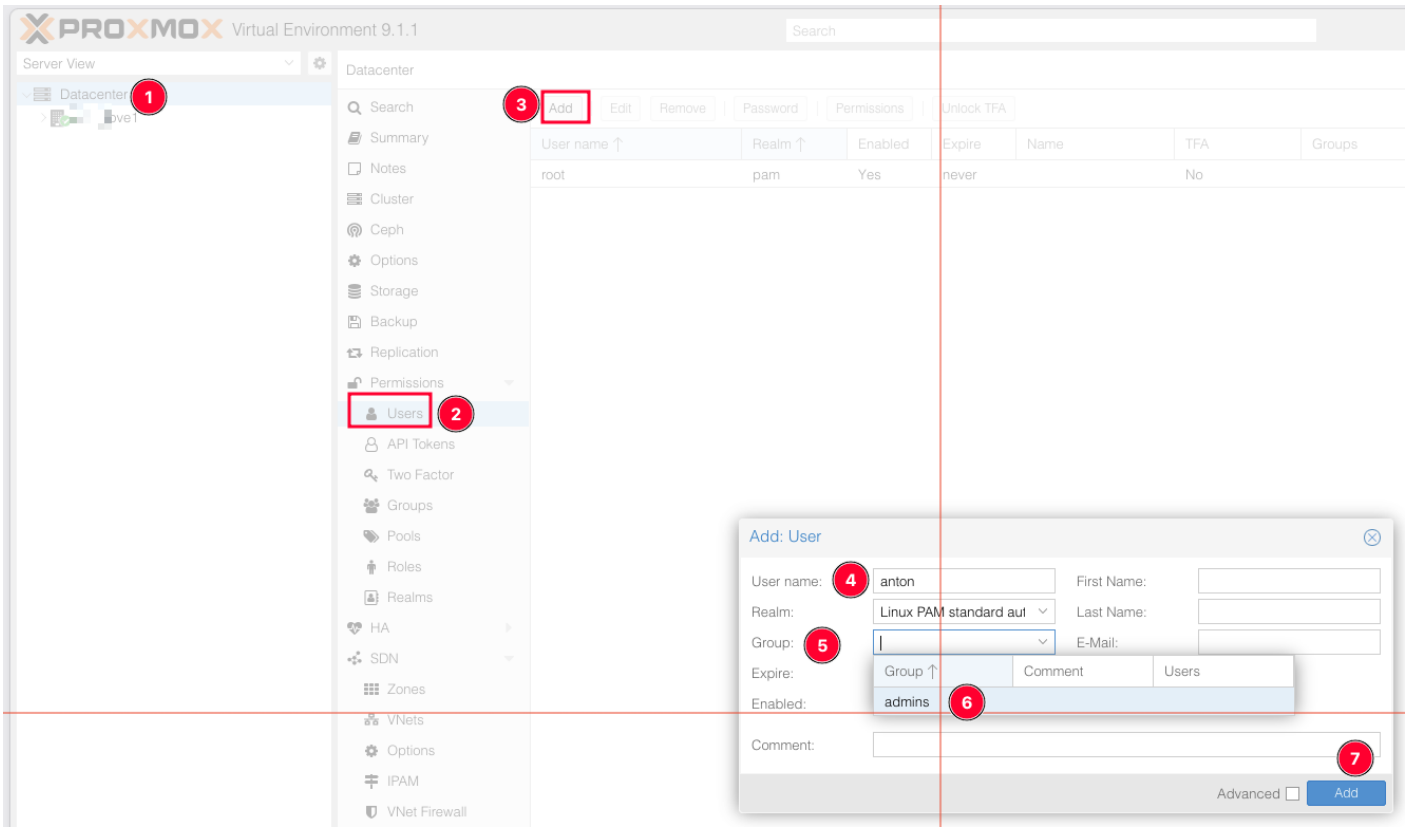
Change password (top-right, under username and 'Password')



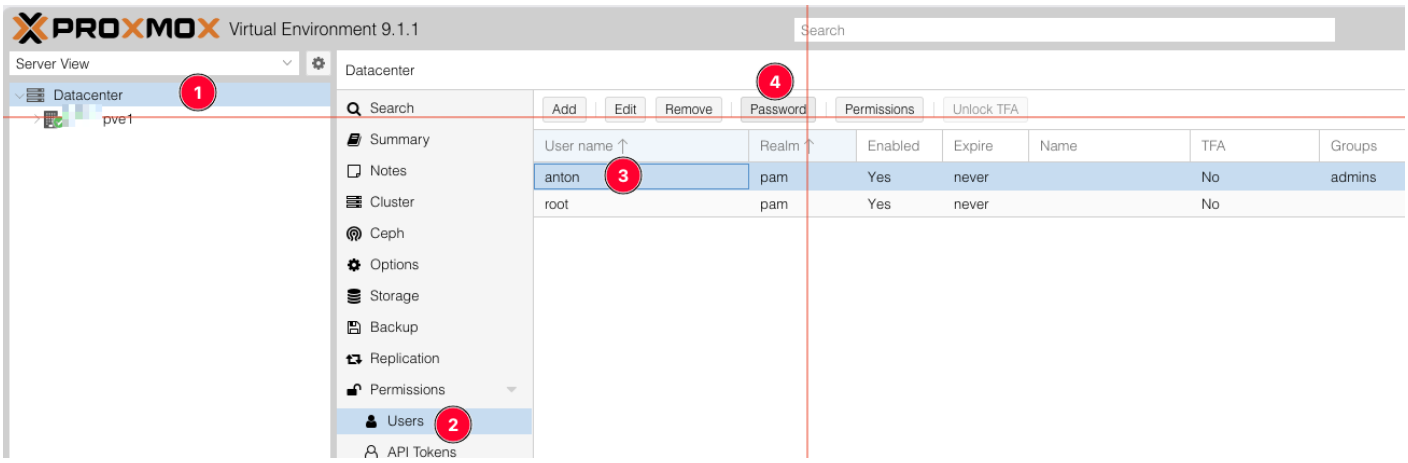
Create admins user group



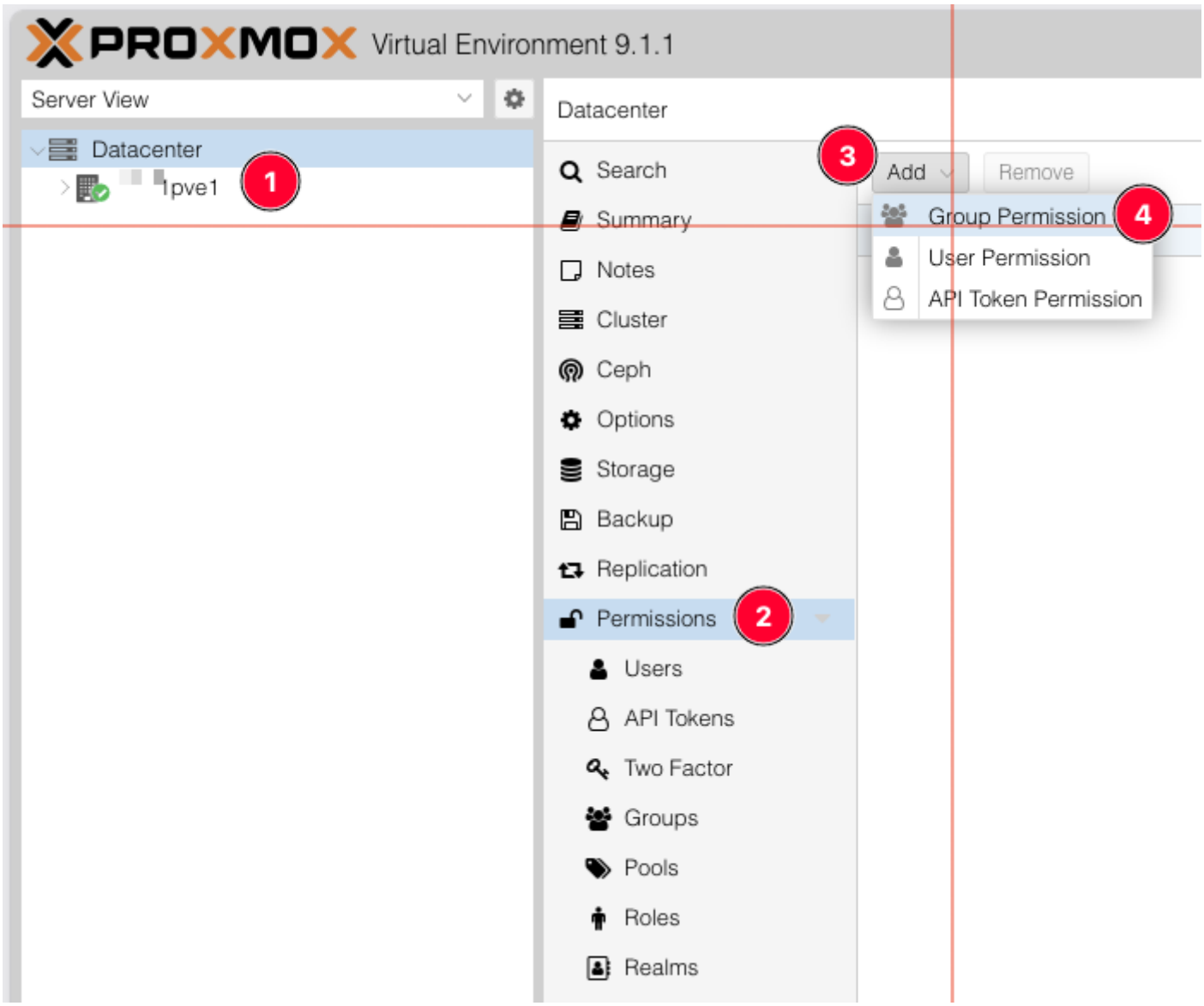
Create another admin user, add to admin user group created above



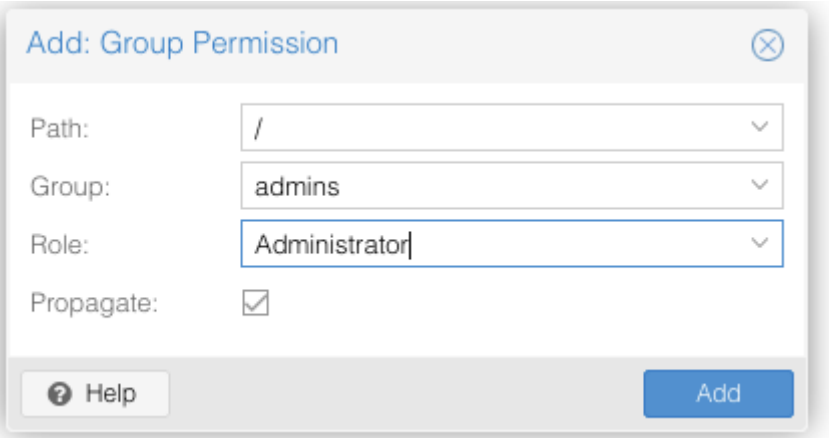
Define user's password



Add group permissions



Define permissions



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