OPERATING SYSTEM

Users and Groups Management and Permission Commands

show users and groups

First you should be admin to allow

~ $ sudo -i

- Show current user

  ~ # users

- List users

  ~ # getent passwd OR cat /etc/passwd

- Show groups for current user

  ~ # groups

- List groups

- ~ # getent passwd OR cat /etc/group

Creating users (adduser vs useradd)

Before add user you should to be admin by using command

~ $ sudo -i

~ # useradd username

~ # useradd user1

After adding a user with the command "***useradd***" we need to set a password for the user using the command "***passwd***".

~ # passwd user1

- changing a user password :

~ # passwd user1

remove users (userdel)

- remove user:

~ # userdel user1

(-r)remove user home and mail tail when we use (adduser)

~ # userdel -r user1

- Modifying user name

~ # usermod -d new_username   old_username

creating group : groupadd

- To create groups we'll use first the command "groupadd" followed by the group's name. The syntax is: "groupadd <group-name>"
- Example:

~# groupadd group1

- Create user with specific group

~# useradd –G group1 user2

Modify group name

~# groupmod –n new-group old-group

~# groupmod –n group2 group1

groups and users

- Remove group

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~# groupdel group2
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- Show groups for a user

  ~ # groups username

- Add existing user to existing group

  ~ # usermod -a -G group1 user2

- Add user to groups

- ~ # useradd -G group1,group2,group3,.. username

modify group (groupmod)

Syntax:

~ # groupmod -n newname old-groupname

Example :

~ # groupmod -n group23 group2

removing user from group

Example :

~ # gpasswd -d username groupname

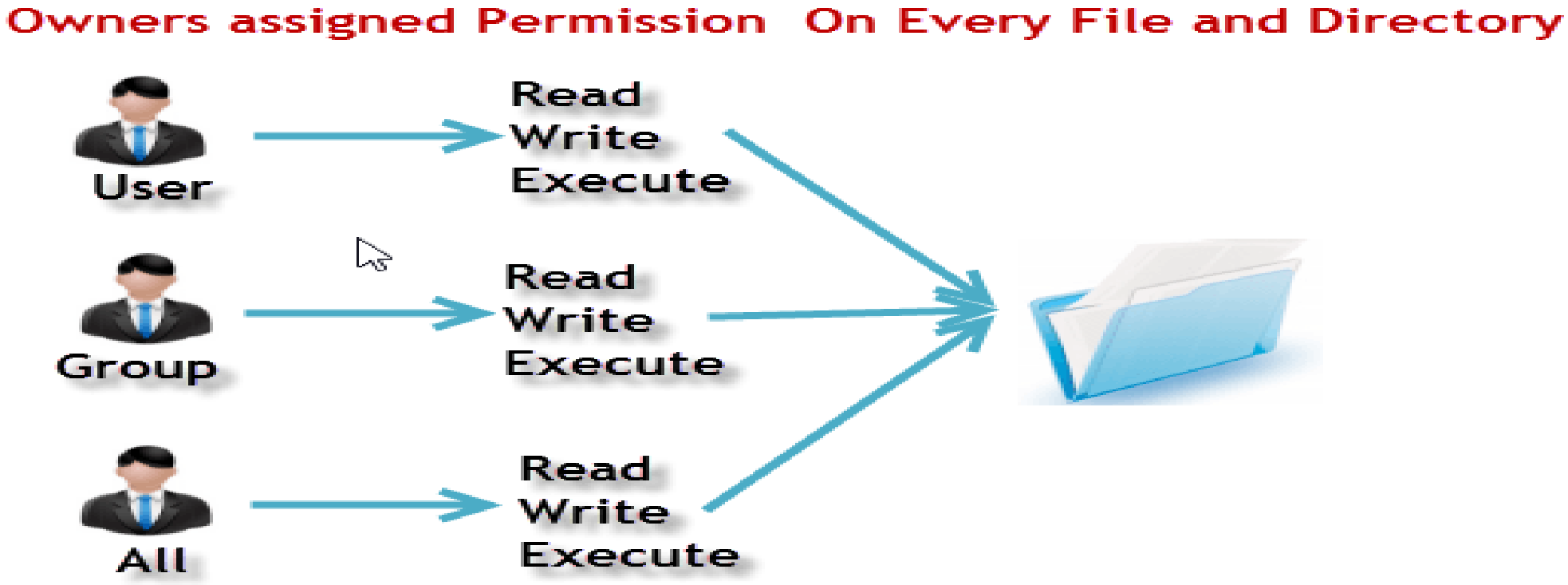
~ # gpasswd -d user2 group3

- Change user primary group

~ # usermod -g groupname username

~ # usermod -g group2 user2

Permissions in Linux



chmod

The “**chmod**” command in **Linux** enables you to control the access of scripts, directories, and your system files. This command is utilized to change the Linux file permissions

What are file permissions in Linux

File permission is the type of access associated with a file. Each file in Linux has its owner, a group, and permission access for **three main types of users**: the **file owner**, the **group** members, **and others**. Each of these user classes has **three types of file permissions**: **read**, **write**, and **execute** permissions. Knowing about the file permission helps you specify which users can execute, read, or write the file.

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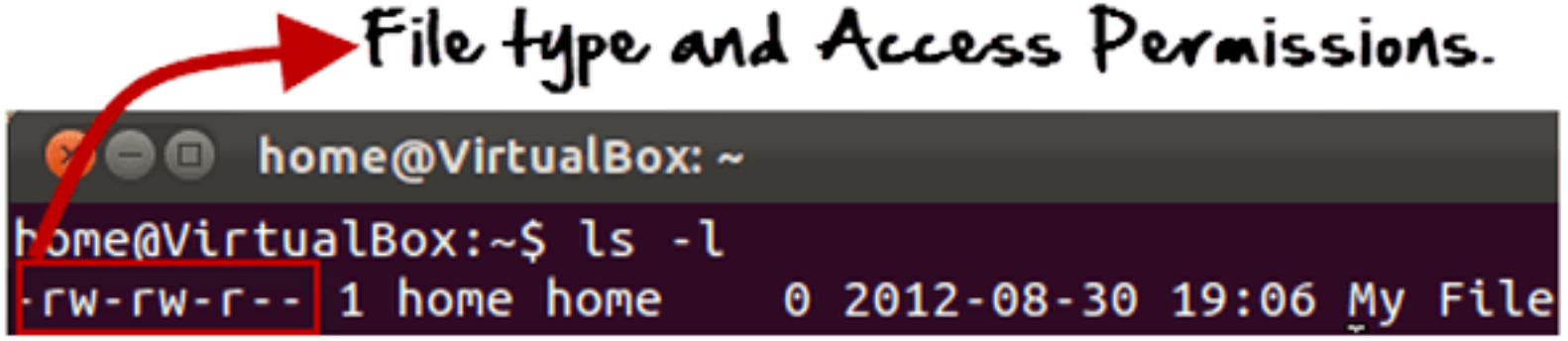
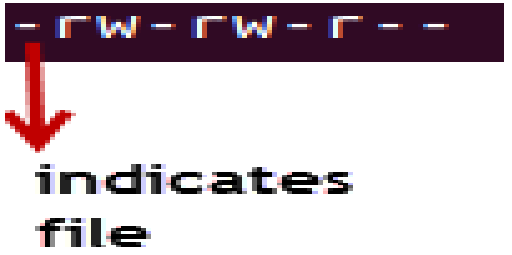
The “**ls -l**” is used to check the permission of the files present on your system. To view permission of a single file, add its name to the “**ls -l**” command.

$ ls -l testfile





r = read permission
w = write permission
x = execute permission
– = no permission

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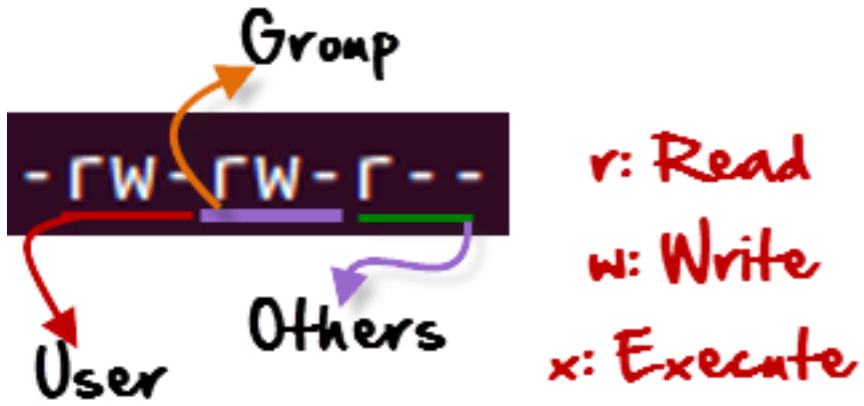

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1. The first argument you give to the “chmod” command is ‘u’, ‘g’, ‘o’. We use:
   u for user
   g for group
   o for others,
   you can also use a combination of them (u,g,o).
   This specifies which of the three groups you want to modify.

2. After this use
   a ‘+’ for adding
   a ‘-‘ for removing
   and a “=” for assigning a permission.

3. Then specify the permission r,w or x you want to change.
   Here also you can use a combination of r,w,x.
   This specifies which of the three permissions “rwx” you want to modify

4. use can use commas to modify more permissions

5. Finally, the name of the file whose permission you are changing

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Examples :

if you want to give “execute” permission to the world (“other”) for file “xyz.txt”

chmod o+x xyz.txt

- adds read(r) , write(w),execute(x) permission to user(u) and group(g) and other(o)

chmod ugo+rwx [file_name]

-adds read(r) and write(w) permission to both user(u) and group(g) and revoke execute(x) permission from others(o) for the file abc.mp4.

chmod ug+rw,o-x abc.mp4

-assigns read(r) and execute(x) permission to both user(u) and group(g) and add read permission to others for the file abc.c.

chmod ug=rx,o+r abc.c

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Examples :

- Remove permission write from group

chmod g-w abc.jpg

- assign permissions

chmod u=rw,g=wx,o=rx abc.jpg

- Remove execute from all

chmod -x abc.jpg

chmod (another method)

User		Group		Other	
r	400	r	40	r	4
w	200	w	20	w	2
x	100	x	10	x	1

Examples : user : read write execute , group : read write ,

Others :read

chmod 764 abc