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Linux / UNIX List User Dot-Files

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How do I list only user dot-files from \$HOME under UNIX and Linux operating systems? How do I ensure that user Dot-Files are not World-writable?

Use the Is command and shell GLOB characters to list only user Dot-Files, enter:



```
ls -ld /root/.[A-Za-z0-9]*
ls -ld $HOME/.[A-Za-z0-9]*
```

Sample Outputs:

```
-rw-r--r- 2 root wheel 1455 Jun 12 18:47 /root/.cshrc
-rw----- 1 root wheel 2650 Jul 28 06:26 /root/.history
-rw-r--r- 1 root wheel 299 Jun 12 18:40 /root/.login
-rw----- 1 root wheel 57 Jun 12 22:07 /root/.mysql_history
-rw-r--r- 2 root wheel 260 Jun 12 18:40 /root/.profile
```

Run chmod command on misconfigured file to remove group- or world-writable permissions, enter:

```
# chmod go-w $HOME/.dot-file-name
```

Owners can run the same command to fix permission issue.

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