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Linux/UNIX: chmod error

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Q: Sometime when I use chmod command under Suse Linux, I am getting following error message:
changing permissions of 'FILENAME': Operation not permitted

A: If you are using UNIX you will get error as follows:
chmod: Not owner.

Remember, only the owner of a file or directory can set its permissions. Use ls -l to find the owner. Otherwise, login in as a root user and then setup permissions using chmod.

See also:

* How Linux file permissions work [1]

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