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Using This Documentation

- **Overview** Describes how to protect legitimate files, view hidden file permissions, and locate rogue files. Also describes how to verify the integrity of files over time on Oracle Solaris systems.
- **Audience** System administrators.
- **Required knowledge** Site security requirements.

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· · · CHAPTER 1

Controlling Access to Files

This chapter describes how to protect files in Oracle Solaris. The chapter also describes how to protect the system from files whose permissions could compromise the system.

This chapter covers the following topics:

- "Using UNIX Permissions to Protect Files" on page 9
- "Using File Attributes to Add Security to ZFS Files" on page 15
- "Protecting Executable Files From Compromising Security" on page 16
- "Protecting Files With UNIX Permissions" on page 17
- "Protecting Against Programs With Security Risk" on page 23

Using UNIX Permissions to Protect Files

You can secure files through UNIX file permissions and through ACLs. Files with sticky bits, and files that are executable, require special security measures.

Commands for Viewing and Securing Files

This table describes the commands for monitoring and securing files and directories.

TABLE 1 Commands for Securing Files and Directories

Command	Description	Man Page
ls	Lists the files in a directory and information about the files.	ls(1)
chown	Changes the ownership of a file.	chown(1)
chgrp	Changes the group ownership of a file.	chgrp(1)
chmod	Changes permissions on a file. You can use either symbolic mode, which uses letters and symbols, or absolute mode, which uses octal numbers, to change permissions on a file.	chmod(1)

File and Directory Ownership

Traditional UNIX file permissions can assign ownership to three classes of users:

- user The file or directory owner, which is usually the user who created the file. The owner of a file can decide who has the right to read the file, to write to the file (make changes to it), or, if the file is a command, to execute the file.
- **group** Members of a group of users.
- **others** All other users who are not the file owner and are not members of the group.

The owner of the file can usually assign or modify file permissions. Additionally, the root account can change a file's ownership. To override system policy, see Example 2, "Enabling Users to Change the Ownership of Their Own Files," on page 19.

A file can be one of seven types. Each type is displayed by a symbol:

- (Minus symbol)	Text or program
b	Block special file
c	Character special file
d	Directory
1	Symbolic link
s	Socket
D	Door
P	Named pipe (FIFO)

UNIX File Permissions

The following table lists and describes the permissions that you can give to each class of user for a file or directory.

TABLE 2 File and Directory Permissions

Symbol	Permission	Object	Description
r	Read	File	Designated users can open and read the contents of a file.
r	Read	Directory	Designated users can list files in the directory.
W	Write	File	Designated users can modify the contents of the file or delete the file.

Symbol	Permission	Object	Description
W	Write	Directory	Designated users can add files or add links in the directory. They can also remove files or remove links in the directory.
х	Execute	File	Designated users can execute the file, if it is a program or shell script. They also can run the program with one of the exec(2) system calls.
x	Execute	Directory	Designated users can open files or execute files in the directory. They also can make the directory and the directories beneath it current.
-	Denied	File and Directory	Designated users cannot read, write, or execute the file.

These file permissions apply to regular files, and to special files such as devices, sockets, and named pipes (FIFOs).

For a symbolic link, the permissions that apply are the permissions of the file that the link points to.

You can protect the files in a directory and its subdirectories by setting restrictive file permissions on that directory. Note, however, that the root role has access to all files and directories on the system.

Special File Permissions Using setuid, setgid and Sticky Bit

Three special types of permissions are available for executable files and public directories: setuid, setgid, and sticky bit. When these permissions are set, any user who runs that executable file assumes the ID of the owner (or group) of the executable file.

You must be extremely careful when you set special permissions, because special permissions constitute a security risk. For example, a user can gain root capabilities by executing a program that sets the user ID (UID) to 0, which is the UID of root. Also, all users can set special permissions for files that they own, which constitutes another security concern.

You should monitor your system for any unauthorized use of the setuid permission and the setgid permission to gain root capabilities. A suspicious permission grants ownership of an administrative program to a user rather than to root or bin. To search for and list all files that use this special permission, see "How to Find Files With Special File Permissions" on page 23.

setuid Permission

When setuid permission is set on an executable file, a process that runs this file is granted access on the basis of the owner of the file. The access is *not* based on the user who is running

the executable file. This special permission allows a user to access files and directories that are normally available only to the owner.

For example, the setuid permission on the passwd command makes it possible for users to change passwords. A passwd command with setuid permission would resemble the following:

```
-r-sr-sr-x 1 root sys 56808 Jun 17 12:02 /usr/bin/passwd
```

This special permission presents a security risk. Some determined users can find a way to maintain the permissions that are granted to them by the setuid process even after the process has finished executing.

Note - The use of setuid permissions with the reserved UIDs (0-100) from a program might not set the effective UID correctly. Use a shell script, or avoid using the reserved UIDs with setuid permissions.

setgid Permission

The setgid permission is similar to the setuid permission. The process's effective group ID (GID) is changed to the group that owns the file, and a user is granted access based on the permissions that are granted to that group. The /usr/bin/mail command has setgid permissions:

```
-r-x--s--x 1 root mail 71212 Jun 17 12:01 /usr/bin/mail
```

When the setgid permission is applied to a directory, files that are created in this directory belong to the group that owns the directory. The files do not belong to the group to which the creating process belongs. Any user who has write and execute permissions in the directory can create a file there. However, the file belongs to the group that owns the directory, not to the group that the user belongs to.

You should monitor your system for any unauthorized use of the setgid permission to gain root capabilities. A suspicious permission grants group access to such a program to an unusual group rather than to root or bin. To search for and list all files that use this permission, see "How to Find Files With Special File Permissions" on page 23.

Sticky Bit

The *sticky bit* is a permission bit that protects the files within a directory. If the directory has the sticky bit set, a file can be deleted only by the file owner, the directory owner, or by a privileged user. The root user is an example of a privileged user. The sticky bit prevents a user from deleting other users' files from public directories such as /tmp:

```
drwxrwxrwt 7 root sys 400 Sep 3 13:37 tmp
```

Be sure to set the sticky bit manually when you create a swap file or set up a public directory on a TMPFS file system. For instructions, see Example 5, "Setting Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode," on page 23.

Default umask Value

When you create a file or directory, you create it with a default set of permissions. The system defaults are open. A text file has 666 permissions, which grants read and write permission to everyone. A directory and an executable file have 777 permissions, which grants read, write, and execute permission to everyone. Typically, users override the system defaults in their shell initialization files, such as .bashrc and .kshrc.user. An administrator can also set defaults in the /etc/profile file.

The value that the umask command assigns is subtracted from the default. This process has the effect of denying permissions in the same way that the chmod command grants them. For example, the chmod 022 command grants write permission to group and others. The umask 022 command denies write permission to group and others.

The following table shows some typical umask values and their effect on an executable file.

TABLE 3 umask Settings for Different Security Levels

Level of Security	umask Setting	Permissions Disallowed
Permissive (744)	022	w for group and others
Moderate (751)	026	w for group, rw for others
Strict (740)	027	w for group, rwx for others
Severe (700)	077	rwx for group and others

For more information about setting the umask value, see the ${\sf umask}(1)$ man page.

File Permission Modes

The chmod command enables you to change the permissions on a file. You must be root or the owner of a file or directory to change its permissions.

You can use the chmod command to set permissions in either of two modes:

- **Absolute Mode** Use numbers to represent file permissions. When you change permissions by using the absolute mode, you represent permissions for each triplet by an octal mode number. Absolute mode is the method most commonly used to set permissions.
- Symbolic Mode Use combinations of letters and symbols to add permissions or remove permissions.

The following table lists the octal values for setting file permissions in absolute mode. You use these numbers in sets of three to set permissions for owner, group, and other, in that order. For example, the value 644 sets read and write permissions for owner, and read-only permissions for group and other.

TABLE 4 Setting File Permissions in Absolute Mode

Octal Value	File Permissions Set	Permissions Description
0		No permissions
1	X	Execute permission only
2	-W-	Write permission only
3	-WX	Write and execute permissions
4	r	Read permission only
5	r-x	Read and execute permissions
6	rw-	Read and write permissions
7	rwx	Read, write, and execute permissions

The following table lists the symbols for setting file permissions in symbolic mode. Symbols can specify whose permissions are to be set or changed, the operation to be performed, and the permissions that are being assigned or changed.

TABLE 5 Setting File Permissions in Symbolic Mode

Symbol	Function	Description
u	who	User (owner)
g	who	Group
0	who	Others
a	who	All
=	operator	Assign
+	operator	Add
-	operator	Remove
r	permissions	Read
W	permissions	Write
x	permissions	Execute
ι	permissions	Mandatory locking, setgid bit is on, group execution bit is off
s	permissions	setuid or setgid bit is on
t	permissions	Sticky bit is on, execution bit for others is on

The *who operator permissions* designations in the function column specify the symbols that change the permissions on the file or directory.

who Specifies whose permissions are to be changed.

operator Specifies the operation to be performed.permissions Specifies what permissions are to be changed.

You can set special permissions on a file in absolute mode or symbolic mode. However, you must use symbolic mode to set or remove setuid permissions on a directory. In absolute mode, you set special permissions by adding a new octal value to the left of the permission triplet. See Example 5, "Setting Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode," on page 23. The following table lists the octal values for setting special permissions on a file.

TABLE 6 Setting Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode

Octal Value	Special File Permissions	
1	Sticky bit	
2	setgid	
4	setuid	

Using File Attributes to Add Security to ZFS Files

In a ZFS file system, you can mark security-relevant files for special treatment. The file attributes can affect local files, NFS-mounted files, or CIFS-mounted files. The chmod(1) and ls(1) man pages describe how to set and list file attributes.

File attributes that have security implications include the following:

- appendonly attribute Permits adding to the end of a file but prevents modifying existing contents. This attribute on a log file can prevent changes to log file entries. Requires the PRIV_FILE_FLAG_SET privilege on the process to set the attribute and all privileges to remove it.
- immutable attribute Prevents modifying or deleting the contents of a file. Also prevents changing file metadata except for access time updates. On a directory, this attribute prevents the deletion of the directory and its files. Requires the PRIV_FILE_FLAG_SET privilege on the process to set the attribute and all privileges to remove it.
 - For an example, see "Applying Immutability to a ZFS File" in *Managing ZFS File Systems in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.
- nounlink attribute Prevents deletion of critical files or directories. On a directory, this
 attribute prevents the deletion or renaming of files. This attribute can prevent the accidental
 deletion of files that are critical for an application. Requires the PRIV_FILE_FLAG_SET
 privilege on the process to set the attribute and all privileges to remove it.
- sensitive attribute Indicates that the file contains keying information, such as PINs or passwords. Sensitive files are not written to the audit record.

readonly attribute – Permits no content change to a CIFS-mounted file. The owner of the
file can set or clear this attribute, or a user or group with the write_attributes permission
can set or clear this attribute.

For more information, see Chapter 9, "Using ACLs and Attributes to Protect Oracle Solaris ZFS Files" in *Managing ZFS File Systems in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

Using Access Control Lists to Protect UFS Files

Traditional UNIX file protection provides read, write, and execute permissions for the three user classes: file owner, file group, and other. In a UFS file system, an access control list (ACL) provides better file security by enabling you to do the following:

- Define file permissions for the file owner, the group, other, specific users and groups
- Define default permissions for each of the preceding categories

Note - For ACLs in the ZFS file system and ACLs on NFSv4 files, see Chapter 9, "Using ACLs and Attributes to Protect Oracle Solaris ZFS Files" in *Managing ZFS File Systems in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

For example, if you want everyone in a group to be able to read a file, you can simply grant group read permissions on that file. However, if you want only one person in the group to be able to write to that file, you can use an ACL.

For more information about ACLs on UFS file systems, see *System Administration Guide: Security Services* for the Oracle Solaris 10 release.

Protecting Executable Files From Compromising Security

Programs read and write data on the stack. Typically, they execute from read-only portions of memory that are specifically designated for code. Some attacks that cause buffers on the stack to overflow try to insert new code on the stack and cause the program to execute it. Removing execute permission from the stack memory prevents these attacks from succeeding. Most programs can function correctly without using executable stacks.

Programs can explicitly mark or prevent stack execution. The mprotect() function in programs explicitly marks the stack as executable. For more information, see the mprotect(2) man page.

For how to prevent stacks from being used by malicious programs, see "Protecting the Process Heap and Executable Stacks From Compromise" in *Securing Systems and Attached Devices in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

To prevent system compromise by executables in a mounted filesystem, you can use the nosetuid and noexec arguments to the mount command. For more information, see the mount(1M) man page.

Protecting Files

The following procedures protect files with UNIX permissions, locate files with security risks, and protect the system from compromise by these files.

Protecting Files With UNIX Permissions

The following task map points to procedures that list file permissions, change file permissions, and protect files with special file permissions.

Task	For Instructions
Display file information.	"How to Display File Information" on page 17
Change local file ownership.	"How to Change the Owner of a File" on page 18
	"How to Change Group Ownership of a File" on page 19
Change local file permissions.	"How to Change File Permissions in Symbolic Mode" on page 20
	"How to Change File Permissions in Absolute Mode" on page 21
	"How to Change Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode" on page 22

▼ How to Display File Information

Display information about all the files in a directory by using the ls command.

 Type the following command to display a long listing of all files in the current directory.

% ls -la
 -l Displays the long format that includes user ownership, group ownership, and file permissions.
 -a Displays all files, including hidden files that begin with a dot (.).

For all options to the ls command, see the ls(1) man page.

Example 1 Displaying File Information

In the following example, a partial list of the files in the /sbin directory is displayed.

Each line displays information about a file in the following order:

- Type of file For example, d. For list of file types, see "File and Directory Ownership" on page 10.
- Permissions For example, r-xr-xr-x. For description, see "File and Directory Ownership" on page 10.
- Number of hard links For example, 2.
- Owner of the file For example, root.
- Group of the file For example, bin.
- Size of the file, in bytes For example, 12644.
- Date the file was created or the last date that the file was changed For example, Dec 19 2013.
- Name of the file For example, arp.

▼ How to Change the Owner of a File

Before You Begin

If you are not the owner of the file or directory, you must be assigned the Object Access Management rights profile. To change a file that is a public object, you must assume the root role.

For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

1. Display the permissions on a local file.

```
% ls -l example-file
-rw-r--r-- 1 janedoe staff 112640 May 24 10:49 example-file
```

Change the owner of the file.

```
# chown stacey example-file
```

3. Verify that the owner of the file has changed.

```
# ls -l example-file
-rw-r--r-- 1 stacey staff 112640 May 26 08:50 example-file
```

To change permissions on NFS-mounted files, see Chapter 5, "Commands for Managing Network File Systems" in *Managing Network File Systems in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

Example 2 Enabling Users to Change the Ownership of Their Own Files

Security Consideration – You need a good reason to change the setting of the rstchown variable to zero. The default setting prevents users from listing their files as belonging to others so as to bypass space quotas.

In this example, the value of the rstchown variable is set to zero in the /etc/system file. This setting enables the owner of a file to use the chown command to change the file's ownership to another user. This setting also enables the owner to use the chgrp command to set the group ownership of a file to a group that the owner does not belong to. The change goes into effect when the system is rebooted.

```
set rstchown = 0
```

For more information, see the chown(1) and chgrp(1) man pages.

▼ How to Change Group Ownership of a File

Before You Begin

If you are not the owner of the file or directory, you must be assigned the Object Access Management rights. To change a file that is a public object, you must assume the root role.

For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

1. Change the group ownership of a file.

```
% chgrp scifi example-file
```

For information about setting up groups, see Chapter 1, "About User Accounts and User Environments" in *Managing User Accounts and User Environments in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

2. Verify that the group ownership of the file has changed.

```
% ls -l example-file
-rw-r--r-- 1 stacey scifi 112640 June 20 08:55 example-file
```

Also see Example 2, "Enabling Users to Change the Ownership of Their Own Files," on page 19.

▼ How to Change File Permissions in Symbolic Mode

In the following procedure, a user changes permissions on a file that the user owns.

1. Change permissions in symbolic mode.

% chmod who operator permissions filename

who Specifies whose permissions are to be changed.

operator Specifies the operation to be performed.

permissions Specifies what permissions are to be changed. For the list of valid

symbols, see Table 5, "Setting File Permissions in Symbolic Mode," on

page 14.

filename Specifies the file or directory.

2. Verify that the permissions of the file have changed.

```
% ls -l filename
```

Note - If you are not the owner of the file or directory, you must be assigned the Object Access Management rights profile. To change a file that is a public object, you must assume the root role.

Example 3 Changing Permissions in Symbolic Mode

In the following example, the owner removes read permission others.

```
% chmod o-r example-file1
```

the following example, the owner adds read and execute permissions for user, group, and others.

```
% chmod a+rx example-file2
```

In the following example, the owner adds read, write, and execute permissions for group members.

% chmod g=rwx example-file3

How to Change File Permissions in Absolute Mode

In the following procedure, a user changes permissions on a file that the user owns.

1. Change permissions in absolute mode.

% chmod nnn filename

nnn Specifies the octal values that represent the permissions for the file

owner, file group, and others, in that order. For the list of valid octal values, see Table 4, "Setting File Permissions in Absolute Mode," on

page 14.

filename Specifies the file or directory.

Note - If you use the chmod command to change file or directory permissions on objects that have existing ACL entries, the ACL entries might change as well. The exact changes are dependent upon the chmod permission operation changes and the file system's aclmode and aclinherit property values.

For more information, see Chapter 9, "Using ACLs and Attributes to Protect Oracle Solaris ZFS Files" in *Managing ZFS File Systems in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

2. Verify that the permissions of the file have changed.

% ls -l filename

Note - If you are not the owner of the file or directory, you must be assigned the Object Access Management rights profile. To change a file that is a public object, you must assume the root role.

Example 4 Changing Permissions in Absolute Mode

In the following example, the administrator changes the permissions of a directory that is open to the public from 744 (read, write, execute; read-only; and read-only) to 755 (read, write, execute; read and execute; and read and execute).

```
# ls -ld public_dir
drwxr--r-- 1 jdoe staff
                            6023 Aug 5 12:06 public_dir
# chmod 755 public_dir
# ls -ld public dir
drwxr-xr-x 1 jdoe staff
                            6023 Aug 5 12:06 public dir
```

In the following example, the file owner changes the permissions of an executable shell script from read and write to read, write, and execute.

```
% ls -l my_script
-rw----- 1 jdoe
                   staff
                           6023 Aug 5 12:06 my_script
% chmod 700 my_script
% ls -l my_script
-rwx----- 1 jdoe
                  staff
                           6023 Aug 5 12:06 my_script
```

How to Change Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode

Before You Begin

If you are not the owner of the file or directory, you must be assigned the Object Access Management rights profile. To change a file that is a public object, you must assume the root

For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris 11.3.

Change special permissions in absolute mode.

% chmod nnnn filename

nnnn Specifies the octal values that change the permissions on the file or

> directory. The leftmost octal value sets the special permissions on the file. For the list of valid octal values for special permissions, see Table 6,

"Setting Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode," on page 15.

filename Specifies the file or directory.

Note - When you use the chmod command to change the file group permissions on a file with ACL entries, both the file group permissions and the ACL mask are changed to the new permissions. Be aware that the new ACL mask permissions can change the permissions for additional users and groups who have ACL entries on the file. Use the ls -v command to make sure that the appropriate permissions are set for all ACL entries. For more information, see the ls(1) man page.

Verify that the permissions of the file have changed. 2.

```
% ls -l filename
```

Example 5 Setting Special File Permissions in Absolute Mode

In the following example, the administrator sets the setuid permission on the dbprog file.

```
# chmod 4555 dbprog
# ls -l dbprog
-r-sr-xr-x 1 db staff 12095 May 6 09:29 dbprog
```

In the following example, the administrator sets the setgid permission on the dbprog2 file.

In the following example, the administrator sets the sticky bit on the public_dir directory.

```
# chmod 1777 public_dir
# ls -ld public_dir
drwxrwxrwt 2 jdoe staff 512 May 15 15:27 public_dir
```

Protecting Against Programs With Security Risk

The following procedures find risky executables on the system and prevent programs from exploiting process heaps and executable stacks.

- "How to Find Files With Special File Permissions" on page 23 locates files with the setuid bit set, but that are not owned by the root user.
- "Protecting the Process Heap and Executable Stacks From Compromise" in Securing Systems and Attached Devices in Oracle Solaris 11.3 prevents programs from malicious software attacks.

▼ How to Find Files With Special File Permissions

This procedure locates potentially unauthorized use of the setuid and setgid permissions on programs. A suspicious executable file grants ownership to a user rather than to root or bin.

Before You Begin

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

Find files with setuid permissions by using the find command.

find directory -user root -perm -4000 -exec ls -ldb {} \; >/tmp/filename

find directory Checks all mounted paths starting at the specified directory, which can be root (/), /usr, /opt, and so on.

-user root Displays files owned only by root.

-perm -4000 Displays files only with permissions set to 4000.

-exec ls -ldb Displays the output of the find command in ls -ldb format. See the ls(1) man page.

/tmp/filename Is the file that contains the results of the find command.

For more information, see the find(1) man page.

2. Display the results in /tmp/filename.

```
# more /tmp/filename
```

For background information, see "setuid Permission" on page 11.

Example 6 Finding Files With setuid Permissions

The output from the following example shows that a user in a group called rar has made a personal copy of /usr/bin/rlogin, and has set the permissions as setuid to root. As a result, the /usr/rar/bin/rlogin program runs with root permissions.

After investigating the /usr/rar directory and removing the /usr/rar/bin/rlogin command, the administrator archives the output from the find command.

```
# find /usr -user root -perm -4000 -exec ls -ldb {} \; > /var/tmp/ckprm
# cat /var/tmp/ckprm
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root sys 32432 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/atg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root sys 32664 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/atrm
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root bin 82836 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/cdrw
-r-sr-xr-x 1 root sys 41448 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/chkey
-r-sr-xr-x 1 root bin 7968 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/mailq
-r-sr-sr-x 1 root sys 45364 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/passwd
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root bin 37740 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/pfedit
-r-sr-xr-x 1 root bin 51472 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/rcp
                  rar 41592 Jul 24 16:14 /usr/rar/bin/rlogin
---s--x--- 1 root
                  bin 213092 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/sudo
-r-s--x--x 1 root
-r-sr-xr-x 4 root
                   bin 24056 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/uptime
-r-sr-xr-x 1 root bin 79540 Jul 14 14:14 /usr/bin/xlock
# mv /var/tmp/ckprm /var/share/sysreports/ckprm
```



Verifying File Integrity by Using BART

This chapter describes the file integrity tool, BART. BART is a command-line tool that enables you to verify the integrity of files on a system over time. This chapter covers the following topics:

- "About BART" on page 25
- "About Using BART" on page 27
- "BART Manifests, Rules Files, and Reports" on page 37

About BART

BART is a file integrity scanning and reporting tool that uses cryptographic-strength checksums and file system metadata to determine changes. BART can help you detect security breaches or troubleshoot performance issues on a system by identifying corrupted or unusual files. Using BART can reduce the costs of administering a network of systems by easily and reliably reporting discrepancies in the files that are installed on deployed systems.

BART enables you to determine what file-level changes have occurred on a system, relative to a known baseline. You use BART to create a baseline or *control manifest* from a fully installed and configured system. You can then compare this baseline with a snapshot of the system at a later time, generating a report that lists file-level changes that have occurred on the system after it was installed.

BART Features

BART uses simple syntax that is both powerful and flexible. The tool enables you to track file changes on a given system over time. You can also track file differences between similar systems. Such comparisons can help you locate corrupted or unusual files, or systems whose software is out of date.

Additional benefits and uses of BART include the following:

 You can specify which files to monitor. For example, you can monitor local customizations, which can assist you in reconfiguring software easily and efficiently. You can troubleshoot system performance issues.

BART Components

BART creates two main files, a *manifest* and a comparison file, or *report*. An optional *rules file* enables you to customize the manifest and report.

BART Manifest

A *manifest* is a file-level snapshot of a system at a particular time. The manifest contains information about attributes of files, which can include some uniquely identifying information, such as a checksum. Options to the bart create command can target specific files and directories. A rules file can provide more fine-grained filtering, as described in "BART Rules File" on page 27.

Note - By default, BART catalogs all ZFS file systems under the root (/) directory. Other file system types, such as NFS or TMPFS file systems, and mounted CD-ROMs are cataloged.

You can create a manifest of a system immediately after an initial Oracle Solaris installation. You can also create a manifest after configuring a system to meet your site's security policy. This type of control manifest provides you with a baseline for later comparisons.

A baseline manifest can be used to track file integrity on the same system over time. It can also be used as a basis for comparison with other systems. For example, you could take a snapshot of other systems on your network and then compare those manifests with the baseline manifest. Reported file discrepancies indicate what you need to do to synchronize the other systems with the baseline system.

For the format of a manifest, see "BART Manifest File Format" on page 38. To create a manifest, use the bart create command, as described in "How to Create a Control Manifest" on page 28.

BART Report

A BART report lists per-file discrepancies between two manifests. A *discrepancy* is a change to any attribute for a given file that is cataloged for both manifests. Additions or deletions of file entries are also considered discrepancies.

For a useful comparison, the two manifests must target the same file systems. You must also create and compare the manifests with the same options and rules file.

For the format of a report, see "BART Reporting" on page 40. To create a report, use the bart compare command, as described in "How to Compare Manifests for the Same System Over Time" on page 31.

BART Rules File

A BART rules file is a file that you create to filter or target particular files and file attributes for inclusion or exclusion. You then use this file when creating BART manifests and reports. When you compare manifests, the rules file aids in flagging discrepancies between the manifests.

Note - When you create a manifest by using a rules file, you must use the same rules file to create the comparison manifest. You must also use the rules file when comparing the manifests. Otherwise, the report would list many invalid discrepancies.

Using a rules file to monitor specific files and file attributes on a system requires planning. Before you create a rules file, decide which files and file attributes to monitor on the system.

As a result of user error, a rules file can also contain syntax errors and other ambiguous information. If a rules file has errors, these errors are also reported.

For the format of a rules file, see "BART Rules File Format" on page 39 and the bart_rules(4) man page. To create a rules file, see "How to Customize a BART Report by Using a Rules File" on page 36.

About Using BART

The bart command is used to create and compare manifests. Any user can run this command. However, users can only catalog and monitor files that they have permission to access. So, users and most roles can usefully catalog the files in their home directory, but the root account can catalog all files, including system files.

BART Security Considerations

BART manifests and reports are readable by anyone. If BART output might contain sensitive information, take appropriate measures to protect the output. For example, use options that generate output files with restrictive permissions or place output files in a protected directory.

Using BART

Task	Description	For Instructions
Create a BART manifest.	Generates a list of information about every file that is installed on a system.	"How to Create a Control Manifest" on page 28
Create a custom BART manifest.	Generates a list of information about specific files that are installed on a system.	"How to Customize a Manifest" on page 30
Compare BART manifests.	Generates a report that compares changes to a system over time. Or, generates a report that compares one or several systems to a control system.	"How to Compare Manifests for the Same System Over Time" on page 31 "How to Compare Manifests From
(Optional) Customize a BART report.	Generates a custom BART report in one of the following ways: By specifying attributes By using a rules file	Different Systems" on page 33 "How to Customize a BART Report by Specifying File Attributes" on page 36 "How to Customize a BART Report by Using a Rules File" on page 36

▼ How to Create a Control Manifest

This procedure explains how to create a baseline, or control, manifest for comparison. Use this type of manifest when you are installing many systems from a central image. Or, use this type of manifest to run comparisons when you want to verify that the installations are identical. For more information about control manifests, see "BART Manifest" on page 26. To understand the format conventions, see Example 7, "Explanation of the BART Manifest Format," on page 29.

Note - Do not attempt to catalog networked file systems. Using BART to monitor networked file systems consumes large resources to generate manifests of little value.

Before You Begin

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

1. After customizing your Oracle Solaris system to your site's security requirements, create a control manifest and redirect the output to a file.

bart create options > control-manifest

-R Specifies the root directory for the manifest. All paths specified by the rules are interpreted relative to this directory. All paths reported in the manifest are relative to this directory.

- -I Accepts a list of individual files to be cataloged, either on the command line or read from standard input.
- -r Is the name of the rules file for this manifest. A argument reads the rules file from standard input.
- Turns off content signatures for all regular files in the file list. This option can be used to improve performance. Or, you can use this option if the contents of the file list are expected to change, as in the case of system log files.

Examine the contents of the manifest.

For an explanation of the format, see Example 7, "Explanation of the BART Manifest Format," on page 29.

3. (Optional) Protect the manifest.

One way to protect system manifests is to place them in a directory that only the root account can access.

```
# mkdir /var/adm/log/bartlogs
# chmod 700 /var/adm/log/bartlogs
# mv control-manifest /var/adm/log/bartlogs
```

Choose a meaningful name for the manifest. For example, use the system name and date that the manifest was created, as in mach1-120313.

Example 7 Explanation of the BART Manifest Format

In this example, an explanation of the manifest format follows the sample output.

```
# bart create
! Version 1.1
! HASH SHA256
! Saturday, September 07, 2013 (22:22:27)
# Format:
#fname D size mode acl dirmtime uid gid
#fname P size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname S size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname F size mode acl mtime uid gid contents
#fname L size mode acl lnmtime uid gid dest
#fname B size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
#fname C size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
/ D 1024 40755 user::rwx,group::r-x,mask:r-x,other:r-x
3ebc418eb5be3729ffe7e54053be2d33ee884205502c81ae9689cd8cca5b0090 0 0
.
```

```
/zone D 512 40755 user::rwx group::r-x,mask:r-x,other:r-x 3f81e892 154de3e7bdfd0d57a074c9fae0896a9e2e04bebfe5e872d273b063319e57f334 0 0 . .
```

Each manifest consists of a header and file entries. Each file entry is a single line, depending on the file type. For example, for each file entry in the preceding output, type F specifies a file and type D specifies a directory. Also listed is information about size, content, user ID, group ID, and permissions. File entries in the output are sorted by the encoded versions of the file names to correctly handle special characters. All entries are sorted in ascending order by file name. All nonstandard file names, such as those that contain embedded newline or tab characters, quote the nonstandard characters before sorting.

Lines that begin with! supply metadata about the manifest. The manifest version line indicates the manifest specification version. The hash line indicates the hash mechanism that was used. For more information about the SHA256 hash that is used as a checksum, see the sha2(3EXT) man page.

The date line shows the date on which the manifest was created, in date form. See the date(1) man page. Some lines are ignored by the manifest comparison tool. Ignored lines include metadata, blank lines, lines that consist only of white space, and comments that begin with #.

▼ How to Customize a Manifest

You can customize a manifest in one of the following ways:

- By specifying a subtree
 Specifying an individual subtree is an efficient way to monitor changes to selected, important files, such as all files in the /etc directory.
- By specifying a file name
 Specifying a file name is an efficient way of monitoring particularly sensitive files, such as the files that configure and run a database application.
- By using a rules file

By using a rules file to create and compare manifests gives you the flexibility to specify multiple attributes for more than one file or subtree. From the command line, you can specify a global attribute definition that applies to all files in a manifest or report. From a rules file, you can specify attributes that do not apply globally.

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

1. Determine which files to catalog and monitor.

2. Create a custom manifest by using one of the following options:

By specifying a subtree:

```
# bart create -R subtree
```

By specifying a file name or file names:

```
# bart create -I filename...
```

For example:

bart create -I /etc/system /etc/passwd /etc/shadow

■ By using a rules file:

```
# bart create -r rules-file
```

3. Examine the contents of the manifest.

4. (Optional) Save the manifest in a protected directory for future use.

For an example, see Step 3 in "How to Create a Control Manifest" on page 28.

Tip - If you used a rules file, save the rules file with the manifest. For a useful comparison, you must run the comparison with the rules file.

▼ How to Compare Manifests for the Same System Over Time

By comparing manifests over time, you can locate corrupted or unusual files, detect security breaches, and troubleshoot performance issues on a system.

Before You Begin

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris 11.3*.

Create a control manifest of the files to monitor on the system.

```
# bart create -R /etc > control-manifest
```

2. (Optional) Save the manifest in a protected directory for future use.

For an example, see Step 3 in "How to Create a Control Manifest" on page 28.

3. At a later time, prepare an identical manifest to the control manifest.

```
# bart create -R /etc > test-manifest
```

4. Protect the second manifest.

mv test-manifest /var/adm/log/bartlogs

5. Compare the two manifests.

Use the same command-line options and rules file to compare the manifests that you used to create them.

bart compare options control-manifest test-manifest > bart-report

6. Examine the BART report for oddities.

Example 8 Tracking File Changes for the Same System Over Time

This example shows how to track the changes in the /etc directory over time. This type of comparison enables you to locate important files on the system that have been compromised.

Create a control manifest.

```
# cd /var/adm/logs/manifests
# bart create -R /etc > system1.control.090713
! Version 1.1
! HASH SHA256
! Saturday, September 07, 2013 (11:11:17)
# Format:
#fname D size mode acl dirmtime uid gid
#fname P size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname S size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname F size mode acl mtime uid gid contents
#fname L size mode acl lnmtime uid gid dest
#fname B size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
#fname C size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
/.cpr_config F 2236 100644 owner@:read_data/write_data/append_data/read_xattr/wr
ite xattr/read attributes/write attributes/read acl/write acl/write owner/synchr
onize:allow,group@:read_data/read_xattr/read_attributes/read_acl/synchronize:all
ow,everyone@:read data/read xattr/read attributes/read acl/synchronize:allow
4e271c59 0 0 3ebc418eb5be3729ffe7e54053be2d33ee884205502c81ae9689cd8cca5b0090
/.login F 1429 100644 owner@:read_data/write_data/append_data/read_xattr/write_x
attr/read_attributes/write_attributes/read_acl/write_acl/write_owner/synchronize
:allow,group@:read_data/read_xattr/read_attributes/read_acl/synchronize:allow,ev
eryone@:read data/read xattr/read attributes/read acl/synchronize:allow
4bf9d6d7 0 3 ff6251a473a53de68ce8b4036d0f569838cff107caf1dd9fd04701c48f09242e
```

■ Later, create a test manifest by using the same command-line options.

```
# bart create -R /etc > system1.test.101013
```

```
Version 1.1
! HASH SHA256
! Monday, October 10, 2013 (10:10:17)
# Format:
#fname D size mode acl dirmtime uid gid
#fname P size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname S size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname F size mode acl mtime uid gid contents
#fname L size mode acl lnmtime uid gid dest
#fname B size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
#fname C size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
/.cpr config F 2236 100644 owner@:read data/write data/append data/read xattr/wr
ite_xattr/read_attributes/write_attributes/read_acl/write_acl/write_owner/synchr
onize:allow,group@:read data/read xattr/read attributes/read acl/synchronize:all
ow,everyone@:read data/read xattr/read attributes/read acl/synchronize:allow
4e271c59 0 0 3ebc418eb5be3729ffe7e54053be2d33ee884205502c81ae9689cd8cca5b0090
```

Compare the manifests.

```
# bart compare system1.control.090713 system1.test.101013
/security/audit_class
mtime 4f272f59
```

The output indicates that the modification time on the audit_class file has changed since the control manifest was created. If this change is unexpected, you can investigate further.

▼ How to Compare Manifests From Different Systems

By comparing manifests from different systems, you can determine if the systems are installed identically or have been upgraded in synch. For example, if you customized your systems to a particular security target, this comparison finds any discrepancies between the manifest that represents your security target, and the manifests from the other systems.

Before You Begin

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

Create a control manifest.

```
# bart create options > control-manifest
```

For the options, see the bart(1M) man page.

2. (Optional) Save the manifest in a protected directory for future use.

For an example, see Step 3 in "How to Create a Control Manifest" on page 28.

3. On the test system, use the same bart options to create a manifest.

```
# bart create options > test1-manifest
```

- 4. (Optional) Save the manifest in a protected directory for future use.
- 5. To perform the comparison, copy the manifests to a central location.

For example:

```
# cp control-manifest /net/test-server/var/adm/logs/bartlogs
```

If the test system is not an NFS-mounted system, use sftp or another reliable means to copy the manifests to a central location.

6. Compare the manifests and redirect the output to a file.

```
# bart compare control-manifest test1-manifest > test1.report
```

7. Examine the BART report for oddities.

Example 9 Identifying a Suspect File in the /usr/bin Directory

This example compares the contents of the /usr/bin directory on two systems.

Create a control manifest.

```
# bart create -R /usr/bin > control-manifest.090713
! Version 1.1
! HASH SHA256
! Saturday, September 07, 2013 (11:11:17)
# Format:
#fname D size mode acl dirmtime uid gid
#fname P size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname S size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname F size mode acl mtime uid gid contents
#fname L size mode acl lnmtime uid gid dest
#fname B size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
#fname C size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
/2to3 F 105 100555 owner@:read_data/read_xattr/write_xattr/execute/read_attribut
es/write attributes/read acl/write acl/write owner/synchronize:allow,group@:read
_data/read_xattr/execute/read_attributes/read_acl/synchronize:allow,everyone@:re
ad_data/read_xattr/execute/read_attributes/read_acl/synchronize:allow 4bf9d261 0
2 154de3e7bdfd0d57a074c9fae0896a9e2e04bebfe5e872d273b063319e57f334
/7z F 509220 100555 owner@:read_data/read_xattr/write_xattr/execute/read_attribu
```

tes/write_attributes/read_acl/write_acl/write_owner/synchronize:allow,group@:read_data/read_xattr/execute/read_attributes/read_acl/synchronize:allow,everyone@:read_data/read_xattr/execute/read_attributes/read_acl/synchronize:allow 4dadc48a 0 2 3ecd418eb5be3729ffe7e54053be2d33ee884205502c81ae9689cd8cca5b0090

 Create an identical manifest for each system that you want to compare with the control system.

```
# bart create -R /usr/bin > system2-manifest.101013
! Version 1.1
! HASH SHA256
! Monday, October 10, 2013 (10:10:22)
# Format:
#fname D size mode acl dirmtime uid gid
#fname P size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname S size mode acl mtime uid gid
#fname F size mode acl mtime uid gid contents
#fname L size mode acl lnmtime uid gid dest
#fname B size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
#fname C size mode acl mtime uid gid devnode
/2to3 F 105 100555 owner@:read_data/read_xattr/write_xattr/execute/read_attribut
es/write_attributes/read_acl/write_acl/write_owner/synchronize:allow,group@:read
data/read xattr/execute/read attributes/read acl/synchronize:allow,everyone@:re
ad data/read xattr/execute/read attributes/read acl/synchronize:allow 4bf9d261 0
2 154de3e7bdfd0d57a074c9fae0896a9e2e04bebfe5e872d273b063319e57f334
```

Copy the manifests to the same location.

cp control-manifest.090713 /net/system2.central/bart/manifests

Compare the manifests.

```
# bart compare control-manifest.090713 system2.test.101013 > system2.report
/su:
gid control:3 test:1
/ypcat:
mtime control:3fd72511 test:3fd9eb23
```

The output indicates that the group ID of the su file in the /usr/bin directory is not the same as that of the control system. This information might indicate that a different version of the software was installed on the test system. Because the GID is changed, the more likely reason is that someone has tampered with the file.

▼ How to Customize a BART Report by Specifying File Attributes

This procedure is useful to filter the output from existing manifests for specific file attributes.

Before You Begin

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

- Determine which file attributes to check.
- 2. Compare two manifests that contain the file attributes to be checked.

For example:

```
# bart compare -i lnmtime,mtime control-manifest.121513 \
test-manifest.010514 > bart.report.010514
```

Use a comma in the command-line syntax to separate each file attribute.

3. Examine the BART report for oddities.

▼ How to Customize a BART Report by Using a Rules File

By using a rules file, you can customize a BART manifest for particular files and file attributes of interest. By using different rules files on default BART manifests, you can run different comparisons for the same manifests.

Before You Begin

You must assume the root role. For more information, see "Using Your Assigned Administrative Rights" in *Securing Users and Processes in Oracle Solaris* 11.3.

- 1. Determine which files and file attributes to monitor.
- 2. Create a rules file with the appropriate directives.
- 3. Create a control manifest with the rules file that you created.

```
# bart create -r myrules1-file > control-manifest
```

4. (Optional) Save the manifest in a protected directory for future use.

For an example, see Step 3 in "How to Create a Control Manifest" on page 28.

5. Create an identical manifest on a different system, at a later time, or both.

```
# bart create -r myrules1-file > test-manifest
```

6. Compare the manifests by using the same rules file.

```
# bart compare -r myrules1-file control-manifest test-manifest > bart.report
```

7. Examine the BART report for oddities.

Example 10 Using a Rules File to Customize BART Manifests and the Comparison Report

The following rules file directs the bart create command to list all attributes of the files in the /usr/bin directory. In addition, the rules file directs the bart compare command to report only size and content changes in the same directory.

```
# Check size and content changes in the /usr/bin directory.
# This rules file only checks size and content changes.
# See rules file example.

IGNORE all
CHECK size contents
/usr/bin
```

• Create a control manifest with the rules file that you created.

```
# bart create -r usrbinrules.txt > usr_bin.control-manifest.121013
```

Prepare an identical manifest whenever you want to monitor changes to the /usr/bin directory.

```
# bart create -r usrbinrules.txt > usr_bin.test-manifest.121113
```

Compare the manifests by using the same rules file.

```
# bart compare -r usrbinrules.txt usr_bin.control-manifest.121013 \
usr_bin.test-manifest.121113
```

Examine the output of the bart compare command.

```
/usr/bin/gunzip: add
/usr/bin/ypcat:
delete
```

The preceding output indicates that the /usr/bin/ypcat file was deleted, and the /usr/bin/gunzip file was added.

BART Manifests, Rules Files, and Reports

This section describes the format of files that BART uses and creates.

BART Manifest File Format

Each manifest file entry is a single line, depending on the file type. Each entry begins with *fname*, which is the name of the file. To prevent parsing problems from special characters embedded in file names, the file names are encoded. For more information, see "BART Rules File Format" on page 39.

Subsequent fields represent the following file attributes:

type Type of file with the following possible values:

■ B for a block device node

C for a character device node

■ D for a directory

■ F for a file

■ L for a symbolic link

P for a pipe

S for a socket

size File size in bytes.

mode Octal number that represents the permissions of the file.

acl ACL attributes for the file. For a file with ACL attributes, this contains

the output from acltotext().

uid Numerical user ID of the owner of this entry.

gid Numerical group ID of the owner of this entry.

dirmtime Last modification time, in seconds, since 00:00:00 UTC, January 1, 1970,

for directories.

lnmtime Last modification time, in seconds, since 00:00:00 UTC, January 1, 1970,

for links.

mtime Last modification time, in seconds, since 00:00:00 UTC January 1, 1970,

for files.

contents Checksum value of the file. This attribute is only specified for regular

files. If you turn off context checking, or if checksums cannot be

computed, the value of this field is -.

dest Destination of a symbolic link.

devnode Value of

Value of the device node. This attribute is for character device files and block device files only.

For more information, see the bart manifest(4) man page.

BART Rules File Format

Rules files are text files that consist of lines that specify which files are to be included in the manifest and which file attributes are to be included in the manifest or the report. Lines that begin with #, blank lines, and lines that contain white space are ignored by the tool.

The input files have three types of directives:

- Subtree directive, with optional pattern matching modifiers
- CHECK directive
- TGNORE directive

EXAMPLE 11 Rules File Format

```
<Global CHECK/IGNORE Directives>
<subtree1> [pattern1..]
<IGNORE/CHECK Directives for subtree1>

<subtree2> [pattern2..]
<subtree3> [pattern3..]
<subtree4> [pattern4..]
<IGNORE/CHECK Directives for subtree2, subtree3, subtree4>
```

Note - All directives are read in order. Later directives can override earlier directives.

A subtree directive *must* begin with an absolute pathname, followed by zero or more pattern matching statements.

BART Rules File Attributes

The CHECK and IGNORE statements define which file attributes to track or ignore. The metadata that begins each manifest lists the attribute *keywords* per file type. See Example 7, "Explanation of the BART Manifest Format," on page 29.

The all keyword indicates all file attributes.

BART Quoting Syntax

The rules file specification language that BART uses is the standard UNIX quoting syntax for representing nonstandard file names. Embedded tab, space, newline, or special characters are encoded in their octal forms to enable the tool to read file names. This nonuniform quoting syntax prevents certain file names, such as those containing an embedded carriage return, from being processed correctly in a command pipeline. The rules specification language allows the expression of complex file name filtering criteria that would be difficult and inefficient to describe by using shell syntax alone.

For more information, see the bart rules(4) man page.

BART Reporting

In default mode, a BART report checks all the files installed on the system, with the exception of modified directory timestamps (dirmtime):

CHECK all
IGNORE dirmtime

If you supply a rules file, then the global directives of CHECK all and IGNORE dirmtime, in that order, are automatically prepended to the rules file.

BART Output

The following exit values are returned:

0 Success

Nonfatal error when processing files, such as permission problems

>1 Fatal error, such as an invalid command-line option

The reporting mechanism provides two types of output: verbose and programmatic:

Verbose output is the default output and is localized and presented on multiple lines.
 Verbose output is internationalized and is human-readable. When the bart compare command compares two system manifests, a list of file differences is generated.

The structure of the output is as follows:

filename attribute control:control-val test:test-val

filename Name of the file that differs between the control manifest and the test

manifest.

attribute Name of the file attribute that differs between the manifests that are

compared. The *control-val* precedes the *test-val*. When discrepancies for multiple attributes occur in the same file, each difference is noted

on a separate line.

Following is an example of attribute differences for the /etc/passwd file. The output indicates that the size, mtime, and contents attributes have changed.

/etc/passwd:

size control:74 test:81

mtime control:3c165879 test:3c165979

contents control:daca28ae0de97afd7a6b91fde8d57afa

test:84b2b32c4165887355317207b48a6ec7

Programmatic output is generated with the -p option to the bart compare command. This
output is suitable for programmatic manipulation.

The structure of the output is as follows:

filename attribute control-val test-val [attribute control-val test-val]*

filename Same as the filename attribute in the default format

attribute control-val A description of the file attributes that differ between the control and

test-val test manifests for each file

For a list of attributes that are supported by the bart command, see "BART Rules File Attributes" on page 39.

For more information, see the bart(1M) man page.

File Security Glossary

Access Control List (ACL)

A list associated with a file that contains information about which users or groups have permission to access or modify the file. An access control list (ACL) provides finer-grained file security than traditional UNIX file protection provides. For example, an ACL enables you to allow group read access to a file, while allowing only one member of that group to write to the file.

policy

Generally, a plan or course of action that influences or determines decisions and actions. For computer systems, policy typically means security policy. Your site's security policy is the set of rules that define the sensitivity of the information that is being processed and the measures that are used to protect the information from unauthorized access. For example, security policy might require that home directories be encrypted.

privilege

- 1. In general, a power or capability to perform an operation on a computer system that is beyond the powers of a regular user. A privileged user or privileged application is a user or application that has been granted additional rights.
- 2. A discrete right on a process in an Oracle Solaris system. Privileges offer a finer-grained control of processes than does root. Privileges are defined and enforced in the kernel. For a full description of privileges, see the privileges(5) man page.

privilege model

A stricter model of security on a computer system than the superuser model. In the privilege model, processes require privilege to run. Administration of the system can be divided into discrete parts that are based on the privileges that administrators have in their processes. Privileges can be assigned to an administrator's login process. Or, privileges can be assigned to be in effect for certain commands only.

privileged user

A user whom you have decided can perform administrative tasks at some level of trust.

public object

A file that is owned by the root user and readable by the world, such as any file in the /etc directory.

rights

An alternative to the all-or-nothing superuser model. User rights management and process rights management enable an organization to divide up superuser's privileges and assign them to users or roles. Rights in Oracle Solaris are implemented as kernel privileges, authorizations, and the ability to run a process as a specific UID or GID. Rights can be collected in a rights profile and a role.

rights profile Also referred to as a *profile*. A collection of security overrides that enable regular users to

perform privileged actions.

role A special identity for running privileged applications that only assigned users can assume.

security attributes

Overrides to security policy that enable an administrative command to succeed when the command is run by a user other than superuser. In the superuser model, the setuid root and setgid programs are security attributes. When these attributes are applied to a command, the command succeeds no matter who runs the command. In the privilege model, kernel privileges and other rights replace setuid root programs as security attributes. The privilege model is compatible with the superuser model, in that the privilege model also recognizes the setuid

and setgid programs as security attributes.

security policy See policy.

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