

# Module 4 Linux & Bash Essentials (Task 4.7)

## Part1. Quota allocation mechanism.

Employing commands from presentation #4.6, create a new user, say, *utest*. Based on the quota mechanism, limit the available disk space for this user to **soft**: 100M and **hard**: 150M.

Then, using Midnight Commander (since MC shows warnings about exceeding the limits of available to a user disk space), copy content of /usr directory to utest's home directory (actually, /usr isn't mandatory, you are free to copy any other data, the only condition is sufficient total size of the files to copy).

*## modifying fstab to enable quotas*

```

bru@wibob-X61: ~
# /etc/fstab: static file system information.
#
# Use 'blkid' to print the universally unique identifier for a
# device; this may be used with UUID= as a more robust way to name devices
# that works even if disks are added and removed. See fstab(5).
#
# <file system> <mount point> <type> <options> <dump> <pass>
# / was on /dev/sda1 during installation
UUID=f8ef02e9-e749-475b-a010-8015e9d365d7 /
1
/dev/sda5 none swap sw 0 0

```

*## remount partition with \$ sudo mount -n -o remount,defaults /dev/sda1*

*## check mount options for sda1*

*## disable quota*

*## check and creating quota-data files*

*## checking whether files were created (aquota.group, aquota.user)*

```

bru@wibob-X61: ~$ mount | grep sda1
/dev/sda1 on / type ext4 (rw,relatime,quota,usrquota,grpquota,errors=remount-ro,data=ordered)
bru@wibob-X61: ~$ sudo quotaoff /
bru@wibob-X61: ~$ sudo quotacheck -cug /
quotacheck: Cannot remount filesystem mounted on / read-only so counted values might not be right.
Please stop all programs writing to filesystem or use -m flag to force checking.
bru@wibob-X61: ~$ sudo quotacheck -cugm /
bru@wibob-X61: ~$ ls -l /
total 124
-rw----- 1 root root 16384 kbi 24 07:45 aquota.group
-rw----- 1 root root 12288 kbi 24 07:45 aquota.user
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 kbi 1 06:30 bin
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 kbi 8 06:28 boot

```

*##running edquota command to edit quota for user utest*

```

Disk quotas for user utest (uid 1002):
Filesystem      blocks      soft      hard      inodes      soft      hard
/dev/sda1        28      102400    153600      0           0           0

```

## enabling quota

## switch user for username utest

```

utest@wibob-X61: ~
utest@wibob-X61: /home/bruha (ssh)
bruha@wibob-X61:~$ sudo edquota -u utest
bruha@wibob-X61:~$ sudo quotaon /
bruha@wibob-X61:~$ sudo su
root@wibob-X61:/home/bruha# su utest
utest@wibob-X61:/home/bruha$ cd ~
utest@wibob-X61:~$ pwd
/home/utest
utest@wibob-X61:~$ mc

```

## exceeding disk quota

```

mc [utest@wibob-X61]:/
bruha@wibob-X61: ~ (ssh)
mc [utest@wibob-X61]:/ (ssh)

Left      File      Command  Options  Right
<-- / -->
.n         Name      Size      Modify time
/bin       4096      kbi       1 06:30
/boot      4096      kbi       8 06:28
/cdrom     4096      жов       10 2019
/dev       3940      беп       29 23:42
/etc       12288     kbi       24 07:39
/home      4096      kbi       24 06:44
/lib       4096      беп       30 02:01
/lost+found
/media
/mnt
/opt
/proc
/root
/run
/sbin
/snap
/srv
/sys
/tmp
/usr
/var
  aquota.group
  aquota.user
@initrd.img
@initrd.img.old
@vmlinuz
@vmlinuz.old
/usr
60G/72G (83%)

.n         Name      Size      Modify time
./..       UP--DIR   kbi       24 06:44
.cache     4096      kbi       24 08:03
.config    4096      kbi       24 08:03
.local     4096      kbi       24 08:03
.bash_logout 220      беп       1 2015
.bashrc    3771     беп       1 2015
.profile   807      чеп       7 2019
8980      kbi       20 2016

Files processed: 752/186180
Time: 0:00.22 ETA 0:09.59 (6,67 MB/s)

[ Skip ] [ Skip all ] [ Retry ] [ Abort ]

[ Skip ] [ Suspend ] [ Abort ]

Hint: Want your plain shell? Press C-o, and get back to MC with C-o again.
utest@wibob-X61:/$
1Help 2Menu 3View 4Edit 5Copy 6RenMov 7Mkdir 8Delete 9PullDn 10Quit

```

## checking status of user quota

```

utest@wibob-X61: ~
utest@wibob-X61: /home/bruha (ssh)
utest@wibob-X61:~$ quota -u
Disk quotas for user utest (uid 1002):
  Filesystem  blocks   quota  limit  grace  files   quota  limit  grace
    /dev/sda1 153600* 102400 153600 6days   992      0      0
utest@wibob-X61:~$

```

## Part2. Access Control Lists, ACLs

In what follows, we assume that there are two users: *guest* (included into the list of sudoers) and *utest*. None of the users is the superuser (i.e. UIDs of the users differ from 0).

**The most task:** to allow user *utest* visit *guest*'s home directory.

**The average task:** to acquaint yourself with the basics of ACL and verify the fact that ACL privileges override the **chmod** ones.

Before proceeding to the task execution, please, visit the [linux.org](https://linuxconfig.org/how-to-manage-acls-on-linux) page describing ACL, <https://linuxconfig.org/how-to-manage-acls-on-linux>.

Every step of execution should be stored into some file **/var/log** directory (use logger, please).

1. Based on given in presentation #4.7 instructions, turn on and set up the ACL. *Caution!* The fact that a file system has been mounted with the “acl” flag on by default, doesn't mean that the ACL package is installed.

Prior to any action, it is advised to check if the “acl” flag is on, using

**tune2fs** -l /dev/sda\*

(a particular name of the device file sda\*, is to be determined by calling to **blkid**, invoke it twice:

(i) on behalf of *guest* (i.e. without the superuser privileges);

(ii) with **sudo** (i.e. with the superuser privileges). Note the level of details provided by different **blkid** outputs).

2. Log in as *guest*. Create in */tmp* a directory called *acl\_test*. By means of **chmod**, allow user *utest* to perform all possible operations (rwx) with respect to *acl\_test*. Verify that user *utest* is indeed capable of implementing granted him (her) privileges. For example, after logging in as *utest*, create a file in */tmp/acl\_test*, say, *utest.txt* with the aid of **touch**. Query information about the directory and file by calling to

```
guest@wibob-X61:~$ mkdir /tmp/acl_test
guest@wibob-X61:~$ ls -ld /tmp/acl_test/
drwxrwxr-x 2 guest guest 4096 Kbi 24 09:05 /tmp/acl_test/

guest@wibob-X61:~$ chmod o+rwx /tmp/acl_test/
guest@wibob-X61:~$ ls -ld /tmp/acl_test/
drwxrwxrwx 2 guest guest 4096 Kbi 24 09:05 /tmp/acl_test/
```

```
ls -ld /tmp/acl_test
```

```
ls -l /tmp/acl_test
```

To check ACL permissions do:

```
ge4acl /tmp/acl_test
```

```
ge4acl /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
```

*## ge4acl is it command alias?? I was using canonical getfacl command*

```

utest@wibob-X61: ~
utest@wibob-X61:~$ whoami
utest
utest@wibob-X61:~$ touch /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
utest@wibob-X61:~$ ls -ld /tmp/acl_test
drwxrwxrwx 2 guest guest 4096 kbi 24 09:16 /tmp/acl_test
utest@wibob-X61:~$ ls -l /tmp/acl_test
total 0
-rw-rw-r-- 1 utest utest 0 kbi 24 09:16 utest.txt
utest@wibob-X61:~$ getfacl /tmp/acl_test
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test
# owner: guest
# group: guest
user::rwx
group::rwx
other::rwx

utest@wibob-X61:~$ getfacl /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
# owner: utest
# group: utest
user::rw-
group::rw-
other::r--

utest@wibob-X61:~$

```

3. Employ ACL to block any activity except for reading, for user *utest* with respect to directory / *tmp/acl\_test* (hint: use **se4acl**). Test if the actions are effectively prohibited

*## first line set read and enter rights to folder*

*## second line set read-only rights on file for utest user for utest.txt*

*u:utest:r - its rule fore use itself, but in our case more important next*

*u::r - it's restrict acces to file to utest like a OWNER it has higher priority and without this string user has more priveleges (System UMASK)*

```

utest@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
guest@wibob-X61: /tmp (ssh)
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp$ sudo setfacl -m u:utest:rx /tmp/acl_test/
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp$ sudo setfacl -m u:utest:r,u::r /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp$ getfacl -e /tmp/acl_test/
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test/
# owner: guest
# group: guest
user::rwx
user:utest:r-x          #effective:r-x
group::rwx              #effective:rwx
mask::rwx
other::rwx

guest@wibob-X61:/tmp$ getfacl -e /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
# owner: utest
# group: utest
user::r--
user:utest:r--          #effective:r--
group::rw-              #effective:rw-
mask::rw-
other::r--

```

**touch** /tmp/acl\_test/prohibited.txt

Is it possible to invoke this command?

**echo** "new content" > /tmp/acl\_test/utest.txt

Test if user *utest* can be prevented from modifying content of the file *utest.txt* by means of ACL.  
(Note that user *utest* is the owner of the file *tmp/acl\_test/utest.txt*).

*## Yes it's possible by forbidding not exactly utest user but OWNER with ACL rule .*

```

utest@wibob-X61: ~
utest@wibob-X61: ~ (ssh)
utest@wibob-X61:~$ touch /tmp/acl_test/prohibited.txt
Name: (null) touch '/tmp/acl_test/prohibited.txt': Permission denied
Profile: (null)
Command: None
51:~$ echo "new comment" > /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
51:~$ cat /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
new comment
utest@wibob-X61:~$ ls -l /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 utest utest 12 kbi 24 11:13 /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
utest@wibob-X61:~$

```

4. Consider a situation when at the ACL level user *utest* is allowed to have all possible privileges with respect to */tmp/acl\_test*, while no *ac=on* is allowed with **chmod** (conventional mechanism).  
(Hint: repeat step 3, but given the new context).

*## to complete this task I have cleared all ACL rules to start from scratch.*

*## sudo chmod o-rwx /tmp/acl\_test/ - remove POSIX permission for other user*

*## sudo setfacl -m u:utest:rwx /tmp/acl\_test/ - creating rwx rights for user utest*

```

utest@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
guest@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
root@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ sudo setfacl -Rb /tmp
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ sudo chmod o-rwx /tmp/acl_test/
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ ls -ld .
drwxrwx--- 2 guest guest 4096 kbi 25 03:11 .
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ sudo setfacl -m u:utest:rwx /tmp/acl_test/
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ getfacl -e /tmp/acl_test/
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test/
# owner: guest
# group: guest
user::rwx
user:utest:rwx          #effective:rwx
group::rwx              #effective:rwx
mask::rwx
other::---
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ getfacl -e /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
# owner: utest
# group: utest
user::rw-
group::rw-
other::r--

```

*## Yes, it's possible to override POSIX permission to grant access through ACL rule (we can see folder still forbidden to other user, but not for utest)*

```

utest@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test
utest@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
guest@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
root@wibob-X61: /tmp/acl_test (ssh)
utest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ touch /tmp/acl_test/prohibited.txt
utest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ echo "new content" > /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
utest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ ls -l
total 4
-rw-rw-r-- 1 utest utest 0 kbi 25 03:51 prohibited.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 utest utest 12 kbi 25 03:52 utest.txt
utest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$ cat utest.txt
new content
utest@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test$

```

```

guest@wibob-X61: /tmp/ccc
┌────────── guest@wibob-X61: /tmp/ccc (ssh) ─────────── %1 ─────────── guest@wibob-X61: /tmp/ccc (ssh) ─────────── %2
```

```

guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/ccc$ sudo setfacl -m m:r /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/ccc$ getfacl -e /tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: tmp/acl_test/utest.txt
# owner: utest
# group: utest
user::r--
user:utest:r--          #effective:r--
group::rx              #effective:r--
mask::r--
other::r--

guest@wibob-X61:/tmp/ccc$ █
```

7. Delete all ACL entries relative to the `/tmp/acl_test` directory.

```
## sudo setfacl -Rb /tmp
```

```
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test# ls -l
total 0
-r--rw-r-- 1 utest utest 0 kbi 25 02:41 utest2.txt
-r--r--r-- 1 utest utest 0 kbi 25 02:45 utest.txt
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test# ls -ld
drwxrwxr-x 2 guest guest 4096 kbi 25 02:45 .
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test# ls /tmp
acl_test
bbb
ccc
mc-utest
systemd-private-c92ff5a6dee448c9af3912ded2dda054-bolt.service-uKheBU
systemd-private-c92ff5a6dee448c9af3912ded2dda054-colored.service-S8L0wZ
systemd-private-c92ff5a6dee448c9af3912ded2dda054-ModemManager.service-GH5onH
systemd-private-c92ff5a6dee448c9af3912ded2dda054-rtkit-daemon.service-mPrn81
systemd-private-c92ff5a6dee448c9af3912ded2dda054-systemd-resolved.service-qvcoAH
systemd-private-c92ff5a6dee448c9af3912ded2dda054-systemd-timesyncd.service-wwZ0hh
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/acl_test# cd ..
root@wibob-X61:/tmp# cd ccc
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/ccc# ls -ld .
drwx----- 2 guest guest 4096 kbi 25 00:48 .
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/ccc# ls -l
total 0
-rw-rw-r-- 1 utest utest 0 kbi 25 00:48 prohibited.txt
-----rw- 1 utest utest 0 kbi 24 20:47 utest.txt
root@wibob-X61:/tmp/ccc#
```