How to fix Error: laravel.log could not be opened?

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I'm pretty new at laravel, in fact and I'm trying to create my very first project. for some reason I keep getting this error (I haven't even started coding yet)

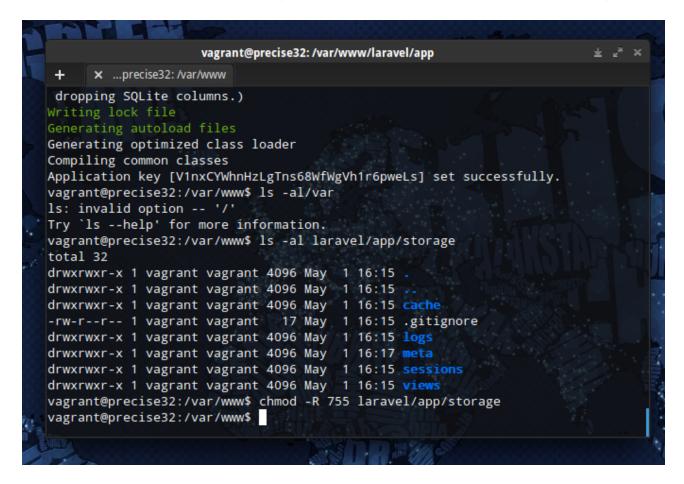
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Error in exception handler: The stream or file
"/var/www/laravel/app/storage/logs/laravel.log" could not be opened: failed to
open stream: Permission denied in /var/www/laravel/bootstrap/compiled.php:8423



I've read this has something to do with permissions but chmod -R 775 storage didn't help at all.



php laravel permission-denied

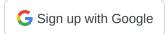
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Are you sure you're in the right directory when running that chmod command? Try chmod -R 755 /var/www/laravel/app/storage. Also, what are the user and group set to? Try Is -al /var/www/laravel/app/storage - Rylab May 1, 2014 at 16:17

same results (I updated my original post to show the permissions of the folder) – frankelot May 1, 2014 at 16:31

:/ for some reason it still doesn't work. I didn't mention it before, but I'M using vagrant. so my www folder is on a VM (apache, php and everything else is running on it). I'm not sure if that has something to do with anything but I thought I'd mention it just in case. (I'm creating my project withing the vm, using composer)

- frankelot May 1, 2014 at 16:53
- 31 Those guys who suggest 777, try google this phrase: "production db_password filetype:env inurl:com" Tarasovych Oct 19, 2018 at 12:48
- 3 Disabling SELINUX worked for me. Prakash P May 20, 2020 at 14:27

29 Answers

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Never set a directory to 777. you should change directory ownership. so set your current user that you are logged in with as owner and the webserver user (www-data, apache, ...) as the group. You can try this:



```
sudo chown -R $USER:www-data storage
sudo chown -R $USER:www-data bootstrap/cache
```





then to set directory permission try this:

```
chmod -R 775 storage
chmod -R 775 bootstrap/cache
```

Update:

Webserver user and group depend on your webserver and your OS. to figure out what's your web server user and group use the following commands. for nginx use:

```
ps aux|grep nginx|grep -v grep
```

for apache use:

```
ps aux | egrep '(apache|httpd)'
```

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- 14 thanks! In short you can also do: sudo chown -R {your current user}:www-data storage bootstrap/cache Ramesh Pareek Jan 21, 2018 at 12:47
- 2 @RameshPareek You're right but I just wanted to be more clear ;) Hamid Parchami Jan 21, 2018 at 21:42
- This doesn't work for me. I just get chown: www-data: illegal group name. Setting the directory to 777 is the only thing that works Matt Feb 3, 2018 at 22:12
- 3 @MattD I guess the apache group on mac is _www try this sudo chgrp -R _www bootstrap/cache . it would be helpful to take a look at this post: stackoverflow.com/a/6419695/2125114 Hamid Parchami Feb 4, 2018 at 20:11 ▶
- 4 This should be the chosen answer, 100% agree that sysadmins should not just allow access to everything to avoid working out the real issue. HyperionX Feb 8, 2018 at 7:24



Never use 777 for directories on your live server, but on your own machine, sometimes we need to do more than 775, because

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chmod -R 775 storage



Means



- 7 Owner can write
- 7 Group can write
- 5 Others cannot write!

If your webserver is not running as Vagrant, it will not be able to write to it, so you have 2 options:

```
chmod -R 777 storage
```

or change the group to your webserver user, supposing it's www-data:

```
chown -R vagrant:www-data storage
```

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1 chmod -R 777 storage worked for me. I tried changing the group, but I kept getting www-data: illegal group name — Matt Feb 3, 2018 at 22:11

@antonio I need to provide the permission everytime I restart the computer. Any suggestion how could I fix it? – Saroj Shrestha Jan 22, 2021 at 14:03



To fix this issue, you need to change the ownership of the directory to the unix user that the webserver uses.

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1. Get out of the VM



- 2. Using the console, go to your synced folder (vagrant)
- 3. sudo chown -R \$USER:www-data storage



4. chmod -R 775 storage



Even though I created the project within the VM using the VM user, the folder belonged to the user in the real computer; so, when trying to

Now it's working.

Thanks to all those that helped me figure this thing out

EDIT:

Actually, it still wasn't working, it still gave me a "permission denied" problem.

Here's what I did, I modified my Vagrantfile like this:

```
config.vm.synced_folder "./app","/var/www/", create:true,
:owner => "vagrant",
:group => "www-data",
:mount_options => ["dmode=775","fmode=664"]
```

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Jon Winstanley
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answered May 1, 2014 at 19:30



- 1 I did that... and I AM gROOT! Still not working... laravel 5... renamed the log file, laravel created new one... same error − ied3vil May 18, 2015 at 14:36 ✓
- 1 I don't have config.vm.synced_folder because I'm using homestead, how can I fix this issue? oleynikd Aug 19, 2015 at 16:54

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This should absolutely not be the accepted answer. It's terrible. Never set 777. Ever. – CGriffin May 9, 2019 at 14:50



It also may be SELinux. (Centos, RedHat)

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Determine status of SElinux on terminal:



\$ sestatus



If status is enabled, write command to disable SElinux



\$ setenforce Permissive

Or you may execute this command

\$ sudo setenforce 0

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answered Jul 16, 2018 at 8:44



Turan Zamanlı **3,828** 1 15 23

- 9 This is the only thing that worked, can you please explain what does it do? Anand Singh Oct 8, 2018 at 14:06
- 2 @hack4mer you can read more information about seLinux. <u>en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Security-Enhanced_Linux</u> Turan Zamanlı Oct 9, 2018 at 6:29
- The only solution that worked for me.. thank you. But the problem comes back every time the server restarts, do yo know how to make it apply even if the server is restarted? Juan Angel Aug 2, 2019 at 16:30
- 1 @JuanAngel you have to Permanently disable service. open with editor vim /etc/sysconfig/selinux and then change the directive SELinux=enforcing to SELinux=disabled Turan Zamanlı Oct 8, 2019 at 10:07
- 1 OMG!!!! thanks a bilion. I was getting mad and I totally forgot SElinux Sam Nov 22, 2022 at 19:57



You need to adjust the permissions of storage and bootstrap/cache.



cd into your Laravel project.



• sudo chmod -R 755 storage

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Depending on how your web server is setup, you may be able to be more specific with your permissions, and only grant them to your web server user. Google web server name Laravel file permissions for more information.

At the time of writing, this is for Laravel 5.4

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answered Jun 20, 2017 at 8:21

Daniel Dewhurst

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Whenever something works with 777 and not with 755 nor 775, it means your server is not using the corresponding user, eg.: nginx, apache, httpd, www-data, etc... – Pathros Jul 31, 2020 at 2:39

@daniel This code works but everytime after restarting the laptop, I need to provide the permission again. What should I do :(- Saroj Shrestha Jan 22, 2021 at 14:02

Used ..755 commands. Not worked. Used 777 - worked. Then set back to 755 and it continued to work. Then I've checked API. Was not working, and I did 777->755 and API started to work. Anybody knows why? - Vit Jun 28, 2022 at 9:42



It might be late but may help someone, changing directory permissions worked for me.

Assuming that your Laravel project is in /var/www/html/ directory. Goto this directory.



cd /var/www/html/



Then change permissions of storage/ and bootstrap/cache/ directories.



```
sudo chmod -R 775 storage/
sudo chmod -R 775 bootstrap/cache/
```

If permission 775 does not work, try setting 777. (Warning! This is the most relaxed permission, use with care).

```
sudo chmod -R 777 storage/
sudo chmod -R 777 bootstrap/cache/
```

cPanel: If you are on cPanel and don't have terminal available you can change permission by right clicking on the mentioned directory and it's sub-directories.

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27 Giving 777 permission to the storage directory means you're giving the attackers a key to blow up the whole system. DON'T DO THIS. – Erfun Oct 20, 2020 at 9:56



Add to composer.json



```
"scripts": {
    "post-install-cmd": [
        "chgrp -R www-data storage bootstrap/cache",
        "chmod -R ug+rwx storage bootstrap/cache"
    ]
}
```



After composer install

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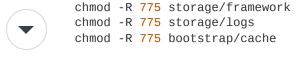
answered Oct 9, 2018 at 10:06





Run following commands and you can add sudo at starting of command depends on your system:

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Never use 777. With 777 permissions, you are giving anyone with a connection full access to the files or directories with those permissions. They may alter them in any way they choose, including maliciously. Many account hacking incidents stem from 777 permissions. – Odyssee Jul 31, 2018 at 6:56



1- The nginx user and php-fpm user and app owner-user must be the same:

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run command sudo vi /etc/nginx/nginx.conf change like bellow:



user nginx nginx;

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```
listen.owner = nginx
listen.group = nginx
listen.mode = 0660
user = nginx
group = nginx
```

then restart nginx and php-fpm service

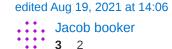
run below command

```
sudo chown nginx:nginx -R "your_project_path"
```

2- change file SELinux security context by run the following commands in the project path

```
chcon -R -t httpd_sys_content_t .
chcon -R -t httpd_sys_rw_content_t .
```

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answered Jan 13, 2021 at 5:56



1 Very important answer in case of SELinux is enabled. Despite few print mistakes in commands, this answer saved my hours! - Abdullah Al Farooq Apr 18, 2021 at 18:09



For all Centos 7 users on a Laravel context, there is no need to disable Selinux, just run these commands:



yum install policycoreutils-python -y # might not be necessary, try the below first







semanage fcontext -a -t httpd_sys_rw_content_t "/var/www/html/laravel/storage(/.*)?" # add a new httpd read write content to sellinux for the specific folder, -m for modify semanage fcontext -a -t httpd_sys_rw_content_t "/var/www/html/laravel/bootstrap/cache(/.*)?" # same as the above for b/cache restorecon -Rv /var/www/html/ # this command is very important to, it's like a

restart to apply the new rules

Lastly, make sure your hosts, ips and virtual hosts are all correctly for remote accessing.

Selinux is intended to restrict access even to root users, so only the necessary stuff might be

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If you use cmd



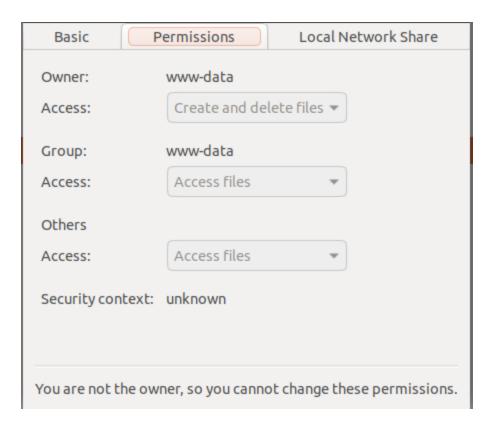
sudo chown -R \$USER:www-data storage
sudo chown -R \$USER:www-data bootstrap/cache



If you use GUI



First go to the project and right click on the storage and check the properties and go to the Permissions tab



Change the permissions using below code

sudo chmod -R 777 storage

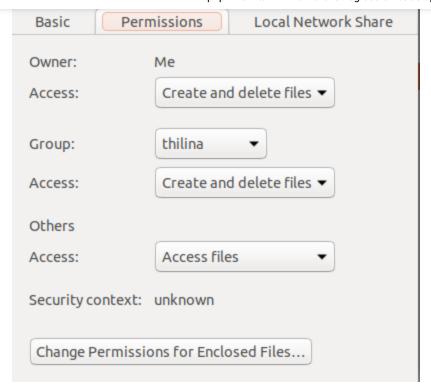
Then your file properties may be

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Then check your settings and execute laravel command it will work :)

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edited Feb 18, 2020 at 7:34

answered Feb 4, 2019 at 8:27



Thilina Dharmasena **2,253** 2 19 27



In Laravel, you should set ACL on storage and cache directory so that web server user can read/write on the directory. Open a new terminal and run following:





HTTPDUSER=\$(ps axo user,comm | grep -E '[a]pache|[h]ttpd|[_]www|[w]ww-data| $[n]ginx' | grep -v root | head -1 | cut -d\ -f1)$





sudo setfacl -dR -m u:"\$HTTPDUSER":rwX -m u:\$(whoami):rwX bootstrap/cache storage/ sudo setfacl -R -m u:"\$HTTPDUSER":rwX -m u:\$(whoami):rwX bootstrap/cache storage/

References:

https://symfony.com/doc/3.4/setup/file permissions.html#using-acl-on-a-system-that-supportssetfacl-linux-bsd

https://linux.die.net/man/1/setfacl

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Brilliant. Thank you. This one worked for me. nginx was running as user nginx but the command above returned apache, which solved it! It's horrifying how many people think blindly setting 777 permissions is okay – Max Dec 11, 2020 at 19:41



I stuck on this issue tried different commands but these will help to solve the problem



php artisan route:clear
php artisan config:clear
php artisan cache:clear



Hope it's helped others too.



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answered Aug 10, 2020 at 6:14



Pronab Roy **1,068** 1 14 18

You can also try php artisan optimize:clear it will run all the clear commands – Jelly Bean Dec 4, 2020 at 5:55



Just run the following command from Project root Directory -

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sudo chmod -R 775 storage sudo chown -R \$USER:www-data storage



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answered Jul 15, 2021 at 6:59



Sanaulla 1,349 14 13



Nope, this does not work on apache - Fernando Torres Oct 10, 2021 at 2:50 ▶

@FernandoTorres Bro, It's the Permission Problem. I am still use Apache and solve by the commands. Make sure that you are the Project root path. – Sanaulla Oct 12, 2021 at 6:50



Maximum people's are suggesting to change file permission 777 or 775, which I believe not an appropriate approach to solve this problem. You just need to change the ownership of storage and bootstrap folder.

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this two folder to administrator

```
drwxrwxr-x 15 root
                                        4096 Oct 19 05:30 ./
                             root
                                        4096 Oct 16 16:46 ../
drwxr-xr-x
           3 root
                             root
                                         220 Sep 29 07:51 .editorconfig*
-rwxrwxr-x
           1 root
                             root
           1 root
                                        1181 Oct 19 05:30 .env*
rwxrwxr-x
                             root
                                        4096 Oct 16 17:44 .git/
drwxrwxr-x
           8 root
                             root
                                         111 Sep 29 07:51 .gitattributes*
rwxrwxr-x
            1 root
                             root
                                         163 Sep 29 07:51 .gitignore*
rwxrwxr-x
                             root
            1 root
                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 .idea/
drwxrwxr-x
            2 root
                             root
                                         174 Sep 29 07:51 .styleci.yml*
 rwxrwxr-x
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                                        4465 Sep 29 07:51 README.md*
rwxrwxr-x
           1 root
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                                      434116 Sep 29 07:51 _ide_helper.php*
rwxrwxr-x
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drwxrwxr-x 10 root
                                        4096 Oct 16 17:28 app/
                             root
rwxrwxr-x
                             root
                                        1686 Sep 29 07:51 artisan*
           1 root
drwxrwxr-x
            3 administrator www-data
                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 bootstrap/
                                        1862 Sep 29 07:51 composer.json*
rwxrwxr-x
            1 root
                            root
                                      253238 Sep 29 07:51 composer.lock*
rwxrwxr-x
                             root
            1 root
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drwxrwxr-x
            2 root
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            5 root
                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 database/
drwxrwxr-x
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           4 root
                             root
                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 nbproject/
                                      466741 Sep 29 07:51 package-lock.json*
rwxrwxr-x
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rwxrwxr-x
                                        1349 Sep 29 07:51 package.json*
            1 root
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                                        1197 Sep 29 07:51 phpunit.xml*
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                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 public/
drwxrwxr-x
            6 root
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                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 routes/
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                                         563 Sep 29 07:51 server.php*
rwxrwxr-x
              root
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                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 storage/
drwxrwxr-x
            5 administrator www-data
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rwxrwxr-x
              root
                             root
drwxrwxr-x
              root
                             root
                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 tests/
drwxrwxr-x 50 root
                                        4096 Sep 29 07:51 vendor/
                             root
                                         538 Sep 29 07:51 webpack.mix.js*
  wxrwxr-x
              root
                             root
                             root
                                        7258 Oct
                                                  6 09:02 worker.log
```

So how I did this, go to your project directory and run below commands. sudo chown -R yourusername:www-data storage, sudo chmod -R ug+w storage, sudo chown -R yourusername:www-data bootstrap, sudo chmod -R ug+w bootstrap

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answered Oct 19, 2020 at 4:52





try this



1. cd /var/www/html



2. setenforce 0



3. service httpd restart



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Dan Christian Febra

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2 No need to change directories to use setenforce but in any case it is wrong to completely disable SELinux just to fix one permission issue. – Patrick Mevzek Aug 13, 2018 at 21:28

i always forget this command, u save one more time. <3 - Willywes Sep 17, 2020 at 6:18



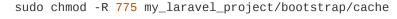
This is what I do if I'm running Apache:

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sudo chown -R \$USER:www-data my_laravel_project/



 $\verb|sudo| chmod -R | \textbf{775} | my_laravel_project/storage|$





cd my_laravel_project



php artisan optimize:clear

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Sumit Wadhwa

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is this working? - Jenuel Ganawed Nov 25, 2021 at 3:58

1 i have tested it today, it's working! @JenuelGanawed – Rakaziwi Jan 24, 2022 at 8:33 /



I managed to fix it as I was only granting permission to via this command:



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sudo chmod -R 775 storage



The fix was to add this:



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sudo chmod -R ugo+rw storage

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answered Aug 27, 2022 at 5:43



Yahya Ayyoub 322 2 10

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You have to change permissions to a few folders: chmod -R -777 storage/logs chmod -R -777 storage/framework for the above folders 775 or 765 did not work for my project



chmod -R 775 bootstrap/cache



Also the ownership of the project folder should be as follows (current user):(web server user)

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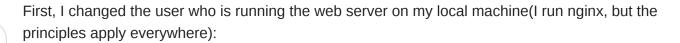


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I wasn't too keen on changing my folder permissions to 777. Here's how I went about fixing this issue.







```
$> sudo vim /etc/nginx/nginx.conf
user <my_user> #inside nginx.conf
service nginx reload
```



Afterwards, I created another index.php file under the public/ folder to find out who was running my php-fpm version and where I would go about changing that:

```
<?php
phpinfo();
?>
```

Reloading the page, I found out that www-data was the user(under the environment section). I also found out I was running php 7.1. I proceeded to change the user:

```
$> sudo vim /etc/php/7.0/fpm/pool.d/www.conf
#Look for www-data or the following variables: user, group, listen.user,
listen.group.
```

Finally, I gave the following permissions to folders:

```
sudo chmod -R 775 ./storage/
```

Now I made ours that I was the owner of the folders by using a simple:

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If you set the server and php-fpm users to yourself and the folders are owned by root for example, then you will keep encountering this issue. This can happen if you did a <code>sudo laravel new <project></code> as root. In that case, make sure you use a recursive <code>chown</code> command on your project to change the <code>user:group</code> settings. In most default cases, <code>www-data</code> is the main setting for the server and php, in that case it's a matter of making sure the folder isn't out of <code>www-data</code> 's reach.

My project is setup in my home directory. On Ubuntu 16.04 and Laravel 5.5.

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answered Dec 4, 2017 at 16:33





In my particular case I had a config file generated and cached into the bootstrap/cache/directory so my steps where:



1. Remove all generated cached files: rm bootstrap/cache/*.php



2. Create a new laravel.log file and apply the update of the permissions on the file using:





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answered Feb 14, 2019 at 3:24



Crisoforo Gaspar 3,740 2 21 27



Tried anything suggested here without success.



What worked for me was:



sudo chmod -R ugo+rw storage
sudo chmod -R ugo+rw storage/logs





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answered Mar 10, 2022 at 19:11



Lesley Peters 409 1 5 20



below command would work for sure.



sudo chmod -R uno+rw storane

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In Linux

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sudo chown -R www-data:root /var/www/name-project-Laravel
sudo chmod 755 /var/www/name-project-Laravel/storage



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In Centos & Rockylinnux

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chown root:nginx FOLDER_PROJECT -Rf
chmod 775 FOLDER_PROJECT -Rf
cd FOLDER_PROJECT
chmod 777 storage -Rf



setenforce 0



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answered Aug 16, 2022 at 10:39



Pirooz Jenabi 458 5 7



Mac OS solution

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I fixed this problem simply by giving the necessary permission to my folders.



• Right Click on the logs folder and click on Get Info



 At the bottom, you will see Sharing & Permissions. Now give Read & Write access to the folder.

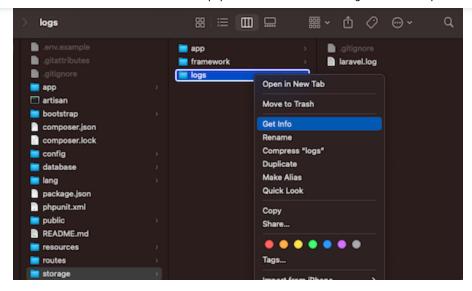


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This worked for me:



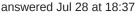
RootFolder/storage/logs/



then just delete the laravel.log



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as you probably already know this issue is caused due to absence of write permission on the log folder which is a sub folder of storage.



To solve this problem walkedthrough these sequence of steps



1. Update composer



sudo composer self-update



2. Change storage folder write permission

```
sudo chmod -R ugo+rw storage
```

Now storage folder should have permission **drwxrwxrwx**

To check permissions run the following command from project root

ls -1

Also if you face the following error after the step above

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sudo mkdir public

ps. For more information about the **chmod** commands check this

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Escapola

777 permissions lol. Definitely not the way to go. – Flame Aug 6, 2022 at 13:39



Not write any command or not gives any permission simplest way to solved this issue



just restart your system and try it again



it's work for me



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