

NAME

faillock – Tool for displaying and modifying the authentication failure record files

SYNOPSIS

faillock [--dir */path/to/tally-directory*] [--user *username*] [--reset]

DESCRIPTION

The *pam_faillock.so* module maintains a list of failed authentication attempts per user during a specified interval and locks the account in case there were more than *deny* consecutive failed authentications. It stores the failure records into per-user files in the tally directory.

The **faillock** command is an application which can be used to examine and modify the contents of the tally files. It can display the recent failed authentication attempts of the *username* or clear the tally files of all or individual *usernames*.

OPTIONS

--dir */path/to/tally-directory*

The directory where the user files with the failure records are kept. The default is */var/run/faillock*.

--user *username*

The user whose failure records should be displayed or cleared.

--reset

Instead of displaying the user's failure records, clear them.

FILES

*/var/run/faillock/**

the files logging the authentication failures for users

SEE ALSO

pam_faillock(8), **pam(8)**

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