

Process Credentials

Real User and Real Group id (r): Who executes the process)
inherit from login shell whose real user/group id is from /etc/passwd

Effective user/group id (e): process permission of system calls (file, IPC, signal...)

when $e=0$, it is a privileged process.

$e=r$ if not set user/group-id program, otherwise $e = \text{owner of file}$.

Set user/group id program: $e = \text{owner of file}$ { in ls, we use 's' to rep 'x' for set-u/g id program

ls -l prog \rightarrow -rwxr-xr-x

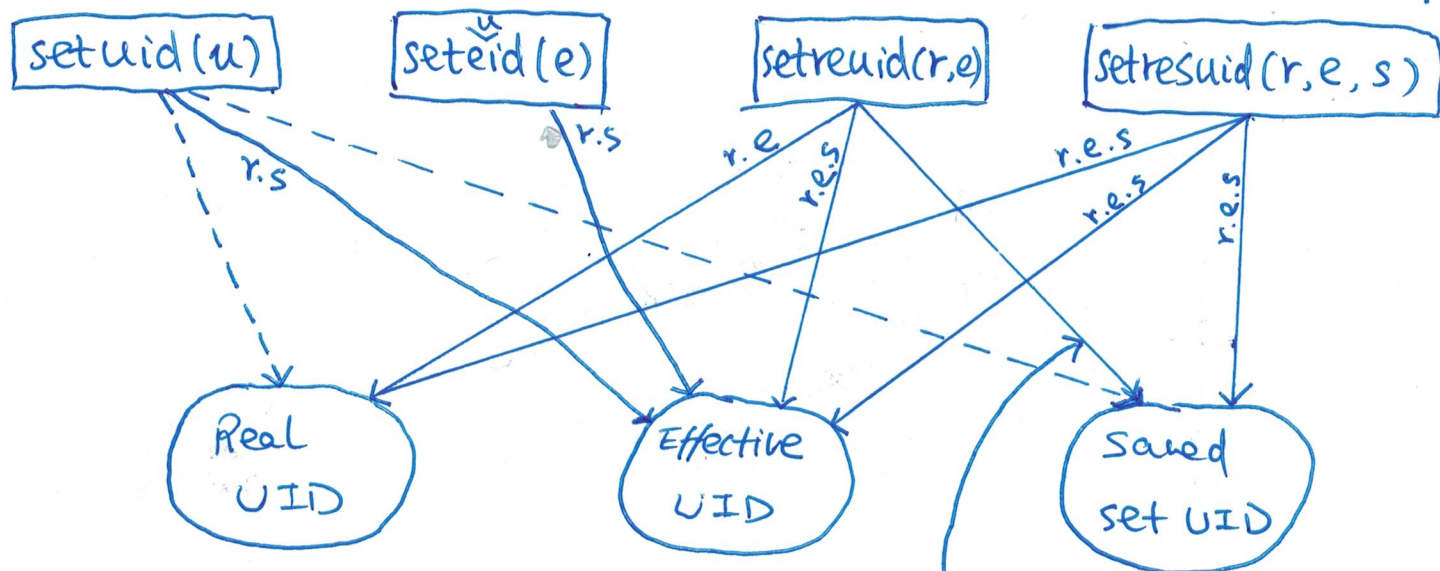
chmod u+s prog ; ls -l prog \rightarrow -rwsr-xr-x

chmod g+s prog ; ls -l prog \rightarrow -rwsr-sr-x

Saved user/group id: $s = e$ after e is init'd

Supplementary Group IDs. additional groups of the user that executes the process
inherit from login shell and ~~etc~~ read from /etc/groups.

Change id system calls (CAP_SETUID / CAP_SETGID can change user/group id arbitrarily)



--> only privileged

r,s \rightarrow can only change to current r and s

if $r \neq r$ or $e \neq \text{previous real}$
then saved set-user-ID is
made same as possibly new e .

eg: `setuid(u)` for privileged will change r, s and e

for un-privileged change only e (can only change to r or s)