

Mission Name: Users and Permissions

* In order to protect the integrity of the computer and to protect users from each other, the concept of users arose.

* Every user has their own set of permissions.

* Commands to see, which user we are currently working in:-

i) whoami

ii) id -un

Both command gives same output.

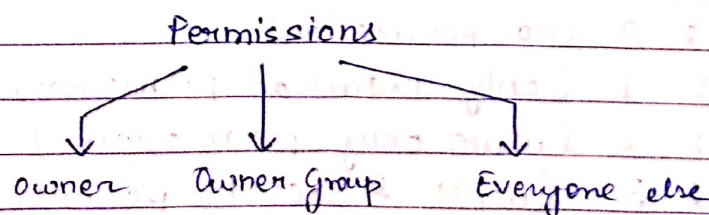
* Groups are a mechanism used to facilitate granting and revoking permissions from the user.

* Command to check group's associated with the user:- "groups"

* When a user creates a file or directory ownership is attributed to the user who created it.

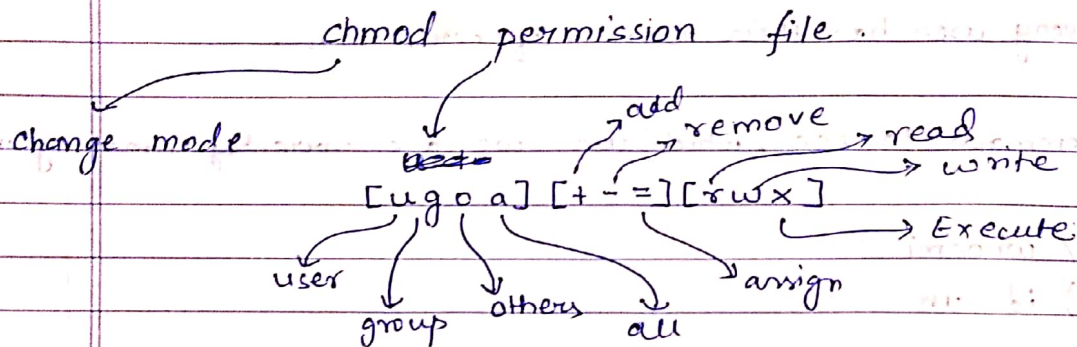
* By default, the group ownership is given to the primary group of the users who created the file

→ A primary group is simply a group that is associated with a user. It will typically have the same name & group number as that of the user.



* Sometimes we need to change permissions of the existing files.

* To do so, we use the following command:-



Eg:-

Before Command	Command	After Command
Doesn't matter r-xr-----	<code>chmod g=rw, u=rwx, o=r</code>	rwxr-xr--
r-xr-----	<code>chmod g+x, o+r</code>	r-xr-xr--
r-xr-xr--	<code>chmod u+w, g-x, o-r</code>	rwxr-----
Doesn't matter	<code>chmod g=xrw, o=rwx, u=rwx</code>	rwxrwxrwx
Doesn't matter	<code>chmod a=rwx</code>	rwxrwxrwx

* "stat" command can be used to know the stats of a file.

Stats includes permissions, uid and gid.

* Octal Notation:-

- --- : 0 (no permission)
- --x : 1 (only execution permission)
- -w- : 2 (write only permissions)
- -wx : 3 (write & execute permissions)
- r-- : 4 (read only permissions)
- r-x : 5 (read & execute permissions)
- rw- : 6 (read & write permissions)
- rwx : 7 (read, write & execute permissions)

Eg:-

<u>Symbolic Notation</u>	<u>Octal Notation</u>
rw-rw-r--	664
rwXrw-r--	764
--X--X--X	111
rwXr-x-wX	753

* A user that has full access to all files and commands is called a root user.

* root is the administrator/super user.

* To run a program/command with root privilege, "sudo" <command> can be used.

* Eg:- sudo mkdir oop

✓/* sudo can only be used by users who are part of sudo group.

* Ownership of a file can be changed by :-

chown [new-owner][:new-group] file

optional i.e any one can also be given.

Not a mandate to give both.