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IT123 FILE SYSTEMS AND STORAGE MANAGEMENT

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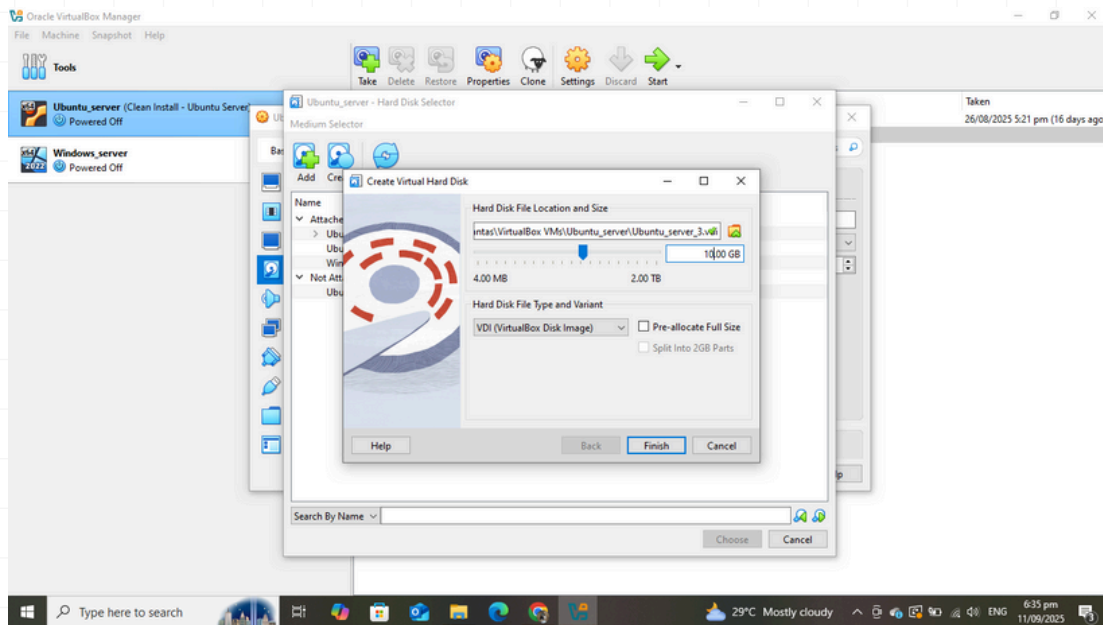
IT 123 - WEEK 4 LABORATORY

Lab Objectives

By the end of this lab, students will be able to:

1. Identify and manage different file systems (NTFS, FAT32, ext4).
2. Perform disk partitioning, formatting, and mounting.
3. Configure folder/file permissions using both GUI and CLI.
4. Troubleshoot common storage and access issues.

UBUNTU SERVER

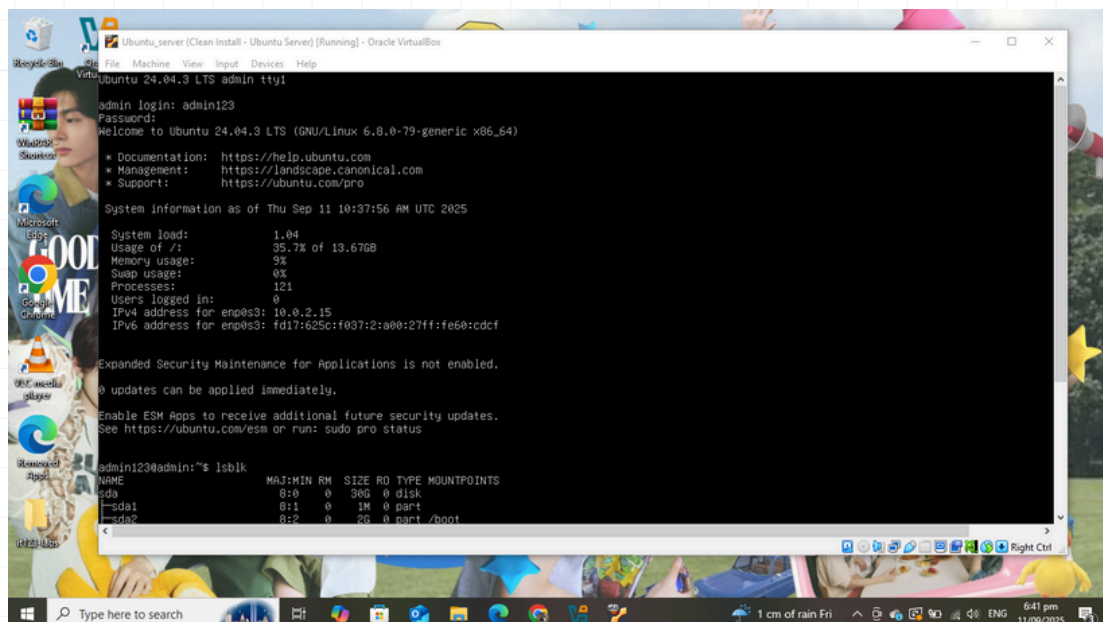


A. Partition & Mount

Device Name: /dev/sdb1

File System Type: ext4

Mount Point: /projectdata



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Ubuntu_server (Clean Install - Ubuntu Server) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help
Swap usage: 0%
Processes: 121
Users logged in: 0
IPv4 address for enp0s3: 10.0.2.15
IPv6 address for enp0s3: fd17:625c:f037:2:a00:27ff:fe60:cdcf

Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.
0 updates can be applied immediately.

Enable ESM Apps to receive additional future security updates.
See https://ubuntu.com/esm or run: sudo pro status

admin123@admin:~$ lsblk
NAME        MAJ:MIN RM  SIZE RO TYPE MOUNTPOINTS
sda          8:0    0   30G  0 disk
├─sda1       8:1    0    1M  0 part
├─sda2       8:2    0    2G  0 part /boot
├─sda3       8:3    0   28G  0 part
└─ubuntu--vg-ubuntu--lv 252:0    0   14G  0 lvm /
sdb          8:16   0    5G  0 disk
└─sdb1       8:17   0    5G  0 part
sdc          8:32   0   10G  0 disk
sr0         11:0    1 1024M  0 rom

admin123@admin:~$ sudo fdisk /dev/sdb
[sudo] password for admin123:
Welcome to fdisk (util-linux 2.39.3).
Changes will remain in memory only, until you decide to write them.
Be careful before using the write command.

Command (m for help): n
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Ubuntu_server (Clean Install - Ubuntu Server) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help
/dev/sdb1 2048 10485759 10483712 5G 83 Linux

Command (m for help): l
00 Empty 27 Hidden NTFS Min 82 Linux swap / So c1 DRDOS/sec (FAT-
01 FAT12 39 Plan 9 83 Linux c4 DRDOS/sec (FAT-
02 XENIX root 3c PartitionMagic 84 OS/2 hidden or c5 DRDOS/sec (FAT-
03 XENIX usr 40 Verix 80286 85 Linux extended c7 Syslinux
04 FAT16 <32M 41 PPC PreP Boot 86 NTFS volume set da Non-FS data
05 Extended 42 SFS 87 NTFS volume set db CP/M / CTOS / .
06 FAT16 4d QNX4.x 88 Linux plaintext de Dell Utility
07 HPFS/NTFS/exFAT 4e QNX4.x 2nd part 8e Linux LVM df BootIt
08 AIX 4f QNX4.x 2nd part 93 Amosba e1 DOS access
09 AIX bootable 50 OnTrack DM 94 Amosba BBT e3 DOS R/O
0a OS/2 Boot Manag 51 OnTrack DM6 Aux 9f BSD/OS e4 SpeedStor
0b W95 FAT32 52 CP/M a0 IBM Thinkpad hi ea Linux extended
0c W95 FAT32 (LBA) 53 OnTrack DM6 Aux a5 FreeBS e6 BeOS fs
0d W95 FAT16 (LBA) 54 OnTrack DM6 a6 OpenBSD ee GPT
0e W95 Ext'd (LBA) 55 EZ-Drive a7 NextSTEP ef EFI (FAT-12/16/
10 OPUS 56 Golden Bow a8 Darwin UFS f0 Linux/PA-RISC b
11 Hidden FAT12 5c Priam Edisk a9 NetBSD f1 SpeedStor
12 Compaq diagnost 61 SpeedStor ab Darwin boot f4 SpeedStor
14 Hidden FAT16 <3 63 GNU HURD or Sys af HFS / HFS+ f2 DOS secondary
16 Hidden FAT16 64 Novell Netware b7 BSDI fs f3 EBRa protective
17 Hidden HPFS/NTF 65 Novell Netware b8 BSDI swap fb VMware VMFS
18 AST SmartSleep 70 DiskSecure Mult bb Boot Wizard hid fc VMware VMKORE
1b Hidden W95 FAT3 75 PC/IX bc Acronis FAT32 L fd Linux raid auto
1c Hidden W95 FAT3 80 Old Minix be Solaris boot fe LANstep
1e Hidden W95 FAT1 81 Minix / old Lin bf Solaris ff BBT
24 NEC DOS

Aliases:
linux - 83
swap - 82
extended - 05
uefi - EF
raid - FD
lvm - 8E
linuxex - 0S

Command (m for help):
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Command (m for help): w
The partition table has been altered.
Calling ioctl() to re-read partition table.
Syncing disks.

admin123@admin:~$
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B. Directory Setup & Permissions

Directory Path: /projectdata

Group Assigned:

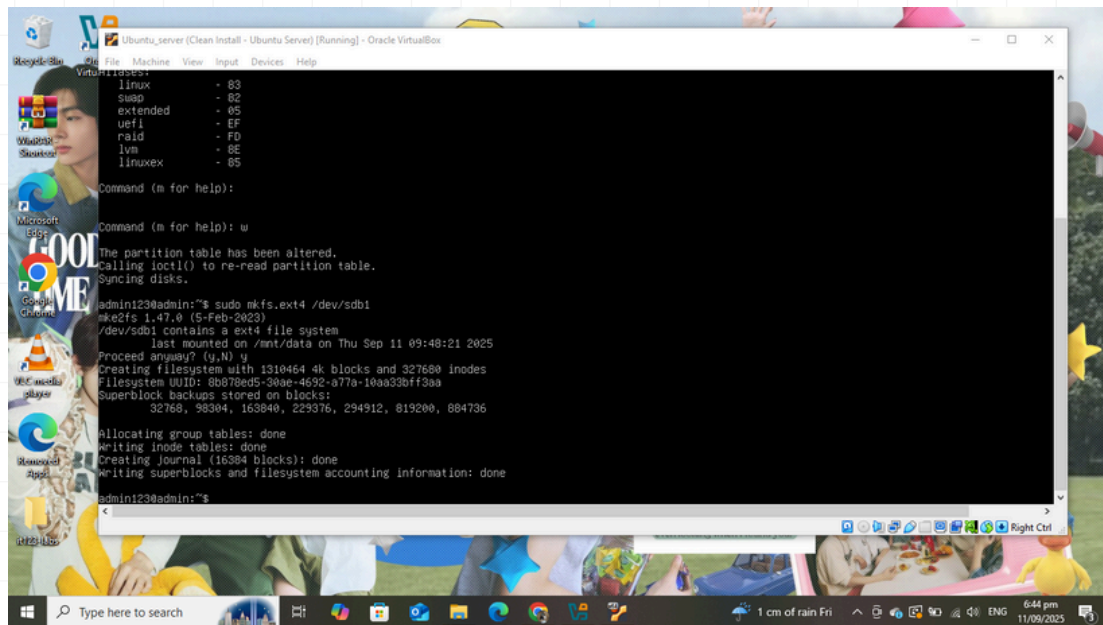
facultygrp → read & write

studentgrp → read-only

Permission Level:

Faculty: rwx

Students: r-x



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VirtualBox:
linux          - 83
swap          - 82
extended      - 05
uefi          - EF
raid          - FD
lvm           - 8E
linuxex       - 05

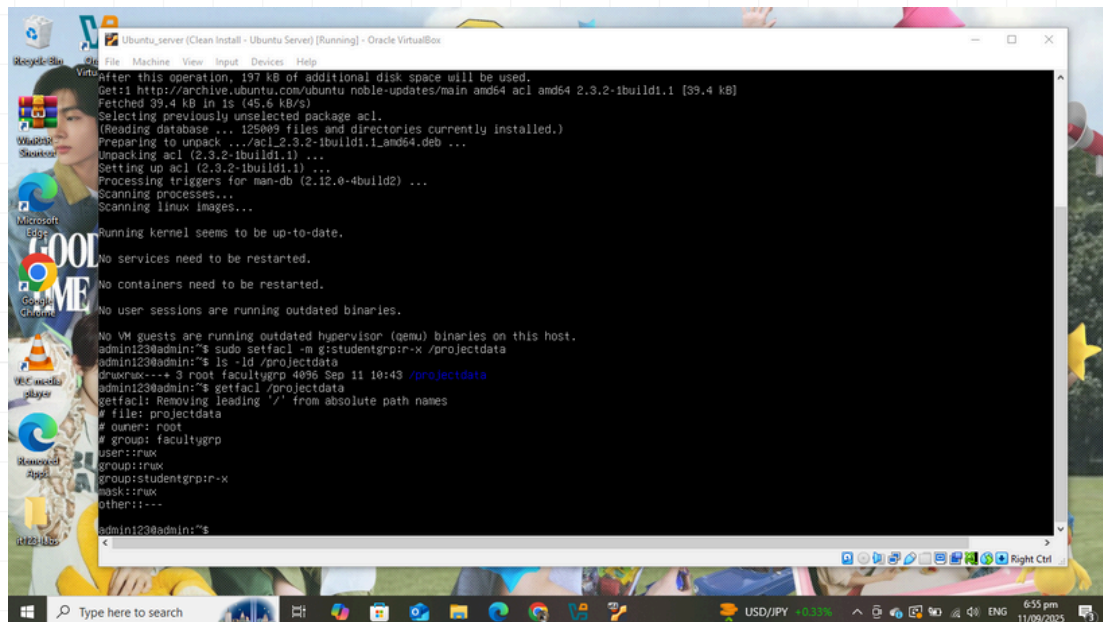
Command (m for help):
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admin123@admin:~$ sudo mkfs.ext4 /dev/sdb1
mkfs2fs 1.47.0 (5-Feb-2023)
/dev/sdb1 contains a ext4 file system
last mounted on /mnt/data on Thu Sep 11 09:48:21 2025
Proceed anyway? (y,n) y
Creating filesystem with 1310464 4k blocks and 327680 inodes
Filesystem UUID: 8b878ed5-30ae-4692-a77a-10aa33bfff3aa
Superblock backups stored on blocks:
    32768, 98304, 163840, 229376, 294912, 819200, 884736

Allocating group tables: done
Writing inode tables: done
Creating journal (16384 blocks): done
Writing superblocks and filesystem accounting information: done

admin123@admin:~$
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After this operation, 197 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Get:1 http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu noble-updates/main amd64 acl amd64 2.3.2-1build1.1 [39.4 kB]
Fetched 39.4 kB in 1s (45.6 kB/s)
Selecting previously unselected package acl.
(Reading database ... 125009 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../acl_2.3.2-1build1.1_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking acl (2.3.2-1build1.1) ...
Setting up acl (2.3.2-1build1.1) ...
Processing triggers for man-db (2.12.0-4build2) ...
Scanning processes...
Scanning linux images...

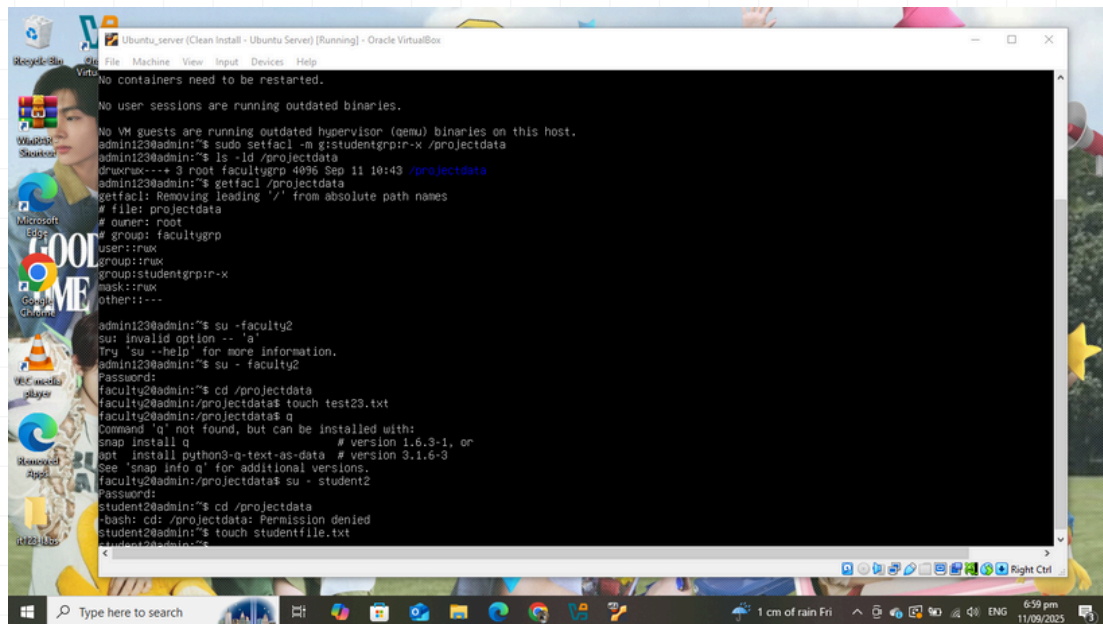
Running kernel seems to be up-to-date.
No services need to be restarted.
No containers need to be restarted.
No user sessions are running outdated binaries.
No VM guests are running outdated hypervisor (qemu) binaries on this host.

admin123@admin:~$ sudo setfacl -m g:studentgrp:r-x /projectdata
admin123@admin:~$ ls -ld /projectdata
drwxr-x---+ 3 root facultygrp 4096 Sep 11 10:43 /projectdata
admin123@admin:~$ getfacl /projectdata
getfacl: Removing leading '/' from absolute path names
# file: projectdata
# owner: root
# group: facultygrp
user::rwx
group::rwx
group:studentgrp:r-x
mask::rwx
other::---

admin123@admin:~$
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C. Verification

- **Tested User Account: faculty2**
 - Access Allowed: [✓] Yes
 - Access Denied: [] No
 - (Faculty2 created test23.txt successfully)
- **Tested User Account: student2**
 - Access Allowed: [] Yes
 - Access Denied: [✓] No
 - (Student2 got Permission denied when entering /projectdata or creating files)



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admini23@admin:~$ sudo setfacl -m g:studentgrp:r-x /projectdata
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admini23@admin:~$ su -faculty2
sus invalid option -- a
Try 'su --help' for more information.
admini23@admin:~$ su - faculty2
Password:
faculty2@admin:~$ cd /projectdata
faculty2@admin:/projectdata$ touch test23.txt
faculty2@admin:/projectdata$ q
Command 'q' not found, but can be installed with:
snap install q # version 1.6.3-1, or
apt install python3-q-text-as-data # version 3.1.6-3
See 'snap info q' for additional versions.
faculty2@admin:/projectdata$ su - student2
Password:
student2@admin:~$ cd /projectdata
-bash: cd: /projectdata: Permission denied
student2@admin:~$ touch studentfile.txt
student2@admin:~$
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Reflection

1. One of the challenges I encountered was remembering the correct syntax for chown and setfacl. At first, I also confused colons and spaces when assigning groups. Another difficulty was verifying access properly, since I needed to switch users and test both read and write.
2. These skills are useful in real-world system administration because they ensure sensitive files are only accessible to authorized groups. Proper disk partitioning and permission management help secure data, organize resources, and prevent unauthorized changes in shared environments.