

Lab report: 01 [Tuesday, July 29, 2025]

Lab Problem — [15 Marks]

Lab report Title: *Working with Files, Directories, and Permissions in Linux*

Scenario:

You are asked to create, manage, and secure files for a project called **LabProject** in your home directory. Follow the tasks step by step and write down the exact commands you used.

Step 1 [1 Mark] — Check Your Location & Create a Project Folder

- Use pwd to display your current path.
 - Go to your home directory (cd ~).
 - Create a folder named LabProject.
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Step 2 [2 Marks] — Create and Inspect Files

- Go inside LabProject.
 - Create two empty files: notes.txt and .hiddenfile using touch.
 - List all files including hidden files (ls -a).
 - List files in long format (ls -l).
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Step 3 [1 Mark] — Create a Subdirectory

- Make a subdirectory called Temp inside LabProject.
 - Verify its existence with ls.
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Step 4 [2 Marks] — Write, View, and Copy Files

- Add the text “*This is my lab file.*” to notes.txt using echo.
 - View the content of notes.txt using cat.
 - Copy notes.txt to Temp as copy_notes.txt.
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Step 5 [1 Mark] — Rename and Move Files

- Rename copy_notes.txt to final_notes.txt inside Temp.
 - Move final_notes.txt back to LabProject main folder.
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Step 6 [1 Mark] — Remove an Empty Directory

- Delete the empty Temp folder using rmdir.
 - Confirm with ls.
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Step 7 [2 Marks] — Change Permissions

- Change notes.txt to be **read-only** for everyone.
 - Use chmod to do this.
 - Use ls -l to confirm the permission change.
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Step 8 [2 Marks] — Create a New Owner

- Suppose you have permission (or imagine you do):
 - Change the owner of final_notes.txt to another user student. (*If you don't have another user, write the command only.*)
 - Show the file details using ls -l.
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Step 9 [1 Mark] — Remove Files

- Delete Hidden file using rm.
 - Verify with ls -a.
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Step 10 [2 Marks] — Navigation Practice

- Use cd .. to move up one level.
 - Use pwd to show your current directory.
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Deliverables

- Write each **command** you used for each step.
 - For each step that involves ls or cat, write the **expected output**.
 - Mention **any error messages**, if any occur.
 - Submit your commands and outputs in your **lab report**.
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Total Marks: 15