Permissions cheatsheet

G chmod,
 S chown



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Meaning of RWX Combinations

| Octal digit | Text equivalent | Binary value | Meaning |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 0 | | 000 | All types of access are denied |
| 1 | X | 001 | Execute access is allowed only |
| 2 | - W - | 010 | Write access is allowed only |
| 3 | -WX | 011 | Write and execute access are allowed |
| 4 | r | 100 | Read access is allowed only |
| 5 | r-x | 101 | Read and execute access are allowed |
| 6 | rw- | 110 | Read and write access are allowed |
| 7 | rwx | 111 | Everything is allowed |

Meaning of RWX bits for files and folders

| Access type | File | Folder |
|-------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Read | If the file contents can be read | If the directory listing can be obtained |
| | the file (change its contents) | If user or process can change directory contents somehow: create new or delete existing files in the directory or rename files. |
| Execute | If the file can be executed | If user or process can access the directory, that is, go to it (make it to be the current working directory) |

Digital representation of setuid, setgid and sticky bits

| Octal digit | Binary value | Meaning |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| 0 | 000 | setuid, setgid, sticky bits are cleared |
| 1 | 001 | sticky bit is set |
| 2 | 010 | setgid bit is set |
| 3 | 011 | setgid and sticky bits are set |
| 4 | 100 | setuid bit is set |
| 5 | 101 | setuid and sticky bits are set |
| 6 | 110 | setuid and setgid bits are set |
| 7 | 111 | setuid, setgid, sticky bits are set |

Meanings of SUID, SGID and Sticky bits

| SUID | If set, then replaces "x" in the owner permissions to "s", if owner has execute permissions, or to "S" otherwise. Examples: -rws both owner execute and SUID are set -r-S SUID is set, but owner execute is not set |
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| SGID | If set, then replaces "x" in the group permissions to "s", if group has execute permissions, or to "S" otherwise. Examples: - rwxrws both group execute and SGID are set - rwxr-S SGID is set, but group execute is not set |
| Sticky | If set, then replaces "x" in the others permissions to "t", if others have execute permissions, or to "T" otherwise. Examples: - rwxrwxrwt both others execute and sticky bit are set - rwxrwxr-T sticky bit is set, but others execute is not set |

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