Announcements

- Should be done with identity mapping on P4
- Midterm regrades have been completed
- Project #3 will be posted tonight
- Reading Chapter 11 (8th ed)

File Protection

• How to give access to some users and not others?

• Access types:

- read, write, execute, append, delete, list
- rename: often based on protection of directory
- copy: usually the same as read
- Degree of control
 - access lists
 - · list for each user and file the permitted operations
 - groups
 - enumerate users in a list called a group
 - · provide same protection to all members of the group
 - depending on system:
 - files may be in one or many groups
 - users may be in one or many groups
 - per file passwords (tedious and a security problem)

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File Protection Example (UNIX)

- Each file has three classifications
 - user: the user who owns the file
 - group: a named group of other users
 - world: all others
- Each file has three access types:
 - read, write, execute
- Directory protection
 - read: list the files in the sub dir
 - write: delete or create a file
 - execute: see the attributes of the files in the subdir
 - sticky bit: contents can only be modified by root user, folder owner, or file owner

Unix File Protection (cont)

• Files have 12 bits of protection

- 9 bits are user, group, and world for:
 - read: list the files in the sub dir
 - write: delete or create a file
 - · execute: see the attributes of the files in the subdir
- sticky bit: contents can only be modified by root user, folder owner, or file owner
- setuid: run the program with the uid of the file's owner
 - used to provide extra privilege to some processes
 - example: passwd command
- setgid: run the program with the group id of the file's owner



File Protection Example (AFS)

• Each Directory has an ACL

- protection information applies to all files in a directory
- file access types are:
 - lookup, insert, delete, administer, read, write, lock (k)
- an ACL may be for a user or a group
- ACL may contain negative rights
 - everyone but Joe Smith may read this file

• Groups

- are collections of users
- each user can create up to a fixed number of groups
 - users can administer their own groups

Cells

– collections of computers (e.g., csic, wam)

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