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- It is dangerous to access other user's files therefore access permission settings is required in CNS machine
- Protection mode is a function which grant or deny access to privates files and directories with other users.
- Protection mode is a 3x3 combination of "who" and "what", which determines permission or prohibition for accessing

Who?

- 1. Owner of the file (<u>u</u>ser)
- 2. Member of group (group)* All students are in the same group
- 3. Other (other)

Can do what?

- 1. Read file(read)
- 2. Write to file (write)
- 3. Execute file (execute)



View and Change Protection Mode

- Right-click on a directory or a file, then select "Get Info" in the menu.
- There is "sharing and permission" section at the bottom of the info window.





Notice when change protection mode

- You should be cautious when changing protection mode of some directories
- Protection mode of following directories should not be changed
 - Home directory
 - Permission for user to execute is required
 - If you change it, you might not be able to login
 - Maildir (Data of mail)
 - Permission for user to execute is required
 - If you change it, you might not be able to view mails