

Accessing Groupdrives from a Linux Client

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Accessing Groupdrives from a Linux Client Requirements

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A Linux client in the TUD network

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Your TUD login and TUD password

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The Groupdrive name

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The SVM name of the Groupdrive (short name often starting with vs-, cephnfs or ceph-smb)

Accessing a Groupdrive with SMB Share

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Install the package cifs-utils

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Mount the Groupdrive with the following command

```
sudo mount -t cifs //<svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de/<name> /<path> -o  
username=<tud-login>,password=<tud-pw>,domain=dom.tu-dresden.de
```

Replace <svm> with the SVM name, <name> with the Groupdrive name, <path> with any target folder, and <tud-login> and <tud-pw> with your TUD login and TUD password.

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(Optional) Use a file to store the login credentials

- File: /home/service/credentials.txt -

```
username=<tud-login>
```

```
password=<tud-pw>
```

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domain=dom.tu-dresden.de
```

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```
sudo mount -t cifs //<svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de/<name> /<path> -o  
credentials=/home/service/credentials.txt
```

Replace /home/service/credentials.txt with any other path.

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(Optional) Persistent mount in /etc/fstab

```
//<svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de/<name> /<path> cifs  
credentials=/home/service/credentials.txt,_netdev,nofail,x-systemd.automount  
0 0
```

Again replace the following options as already described: <svm>, <name>, <path>, credentials=/home/service/credentials.txt. We recommend the options _netdev,nofail,x-systemd.automount so that the system does not hang if the Groupdrive is unavailable.

Access as User

The possibilities described above for mounting a Groupdrive only allow access with root by default, because CIFS mounts without additional options belong to the root user. In order to grant a certain user or group access, the options uid and/or gid must be set accordingly. This assigns the mounted filesystem to this user.

Example: Access with user service:

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The option uid (possibly also gid, depending on requirements) must be set to the value service:

```
sudo mount -t cifs //<svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de/<name> /<path> -o  
username=<tud-login>,password=<tud-pw>,uid=service
```

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Correspondingly in /etc/fstab

```
//<svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de/<name> /<path> cifs  
username=<tud-login>,password=<tud-pw>,uid=service,_netdev,nofail,x-systemd.automount  
0 0
```

The actual access rights are still managed on the server side. The options uid and gid only influence the local ownership assignment on the Linux system.

Accessing a Groupdrive with NFS Share Direct Access Requirements for direct access

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Requires an NFS share with root access for the client's IP address (can be set up in the SSP[1])

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Please see the notes in [2]Special Case NFS

Setup

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Mount the Groupdrive with the following command

```
sudo mount -t nfs <svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de:<name> /<path> -o vers=3
```

Replace <svm> with the SVM name, <name> with the Groupdrive name and <path> with the target folder. The option vers=3 mounts the Groupdrive with NFS version 3. Other available versions are 4, 4.1 and 4.2.

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(Optional) Persistent mount in /etc/fstab

```
<svm>.zih.tu-dresden.de:<name> /<path> nfs  
vers=3,_netdev,nofail,x-systemd.automount 0 0
```

Again replace the following options as already described: <svm>, <name>, <path>. Optional: vers=3.

We recommend the options _netdev,nofail,x-systemd.automount so that the system does not hang if the Groupdrive is unavailable.

Access via Datagateway

Groupdrives with NFS shares can also be accessed via the [3]Datagateway.

Detailed information and specific notes (such as access paths) can be found in the [4]Datagateway article.

In the following examples, the TUD user kuki797d accesses the Groupdrive huawei_test_laufwerk_nfs (SVM vs-grp109) on the Datagateway.

Example with scp

```
$ scp kuki797d@dgw.zih.tu-dresden.de:/glw/huawei_test_laufwerk_nfs/hello.txt .
```

```
$ cat hello.txt
```

Hello World

Example with sshfs

SSHFS is more prone to errors due to the detour via the Datagateway. We recommend mounting directly with NFS or SMB.

```
$ mkdir test
```

```
$ sshfs kuki797d@dgw.zih.tu-dresden.de:/glw/huawei_test_laufwerk_nfs/ test
```

```
$ ls test
```

```
bar bat.txt blabla.txt foo/ hello.txt
```

Example with sshfs: persistent mount

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Register an SSH public key in the user's authorized_keys file on the Datagateway. See [5]Datagateway.

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(Optional) Test the connection via the command from Example with sshfs. There should be no password prompt.

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Create the entry in /etc/fstab

```
sshfs#<tud-login>@dgw.zih.tu-dresden.de:/svm/<svm-name>/<name> /mnt fuse  
_netdev,noauto,x-systemd.automount,x-systemd.idle-timeout=60,rw,allow_other,reconnect,uid=1000,gid=1000,IdentityFile=<private-key>  
0 0
```

Replace all known options such as TUD login, SVM name, Groupdrive name and the desired local path (/mnt). The option <private-key> must be replaced by the path to the private key whose public key you registered. Adjust the remaining options as necessary. Also note the allow_other option (see also /etc/fuse.conf, which requires modification).

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Mount the drive

```
sudo systemctl daemon-reload
```

```
sudo mount /mnt
```

Example with sftp

```
$ sftp kuki797d@dgw.zih.tu-dresden.de:/glw/huawei_test_laufwerk_nfs
```

```
Connected to dgw.zih.tu-dresden.de.
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```
Changing to: /glw/huawei_test_laufwerk_nfs
```

```
sftp> dir
```

```
bar    bat.txt  blabla.txt  foo    hello.txt
```

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[6]1[7]Self-Service-Portal Groupdrive Management
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[1] #sdfootnote1sym

[2] <https://faq.tickets.tu-dresden.de/otrs/public.pl?Action=PublicFAQZoom;ItemID=1537>;

[3] <https://faq.tickets.tu-dresden.de/otrs/public.pl?Action=PublicFAQZoom;ItemID=1525>;

[4] <https://faq.tickets.tu-dresden.de/otrs/public.pl?Action=PublicFAQZoom;ItemID=1525>;

[5] <https://faq.tickets.tu-dresden.de/otrs/public.pl?Action=PublicFAQZoom;ItemID=1525>;

[6] #sdfootnote1anc

[7] <https://selfservice.tu-dresden.de/services/groupdrive/overview/>