

NAME

ldapmodify, **ldapadd** - LDAP modify entry and LDAP add entry tools

SYNOPSIS

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ldapmodify [-V[V]] [-d debuglevel] [-n] [-v] [-a] [-c] [-f file] [-S file] [-M[M]] [-x] [-D binddn] [-W]
[-w passwd] [-y passwdfile] [-H ldapuri] [-P {2|3}] [-e [!]ext[=extparam]] [-E [!]ext[=extparam]]
[-o opt[=optparam]] [-O security-properties] [-I] [-Q] [-N] [-U authcid] [-R realm] [-X authzid]
[-Y mech] [-Z[Z]]
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ldapadd [-V[V]] [-d debuglevel] [-n] [-v] [-c] [-f file] [-S file] [-M[M]] [-x] [-D binddn] [-W]
[-w passwd] [-y passwdfile] [-H ldapuri] [-P {2|3}] [-e [!]ext[=extparam]] [-E [!]ext[=extparam]]
[-o opt[=optparam]] [-O security-properties] [-I] [-Q] [-N] [-U authcid] [-R realm] [-X authzid]
[-Y mech] [-Z[Z]]
```

DESCRIPTION

ldapmodify is a shell-accessible interface to the **ldap_add_ext(3)**, **ldap_modify_ext(3)**, **ldap_delete_ext(3)** and **ldap_rename(3)**. library calls. **ldapadd** is implemented as a hard link to the **ldapmodify** tool. When invoked as **ldapadd** the **-a** (add new entry) flag is turned on automatically.

ldapmodify opens a connection to an LDAP server, binds, and modifies or adds entries. The entry information is read from standard input or from *file* through the use of the **-f** option.

OPTIONS

-V[V]

Print version info. If **-VV** is given, only the version information is printed.

-d *debuglevel*

Set the LDAP debugging level to *debuglevel*. **ldapmodify** must be compiled with LDAP_DEBUG defined for this option to have any effect.

- n** Show what would be done, but don't actually modify entries. Useful for debugging in conjunction with **-v**.
- v** Use verbose mode, with many diagnostics written to standard output.
- a** Add new entries. The default for **ldapmodify** is to modify existing entries. If invoked as **ldapadd**, this flag is always set.
- c** Continuous operation mode. Errors are reported, but **ldapmodify** will continue with modifications. The default is to exit after reporting an error.

-f *file*

Read the entry modification information from *file* instead of from standard input.

-S *file*

Add or change records which were skipped due to an error are written to *file* and the error message returned by the server is added as a comment. Most useful in conjunction with **-c**.

-M[M]

Enable manage DSA IT control. **-MM** makes control critical.

-x Use simple authentication instead of SASL.**-D** *binddn*

Use the Distinguished Name *binddn* to bind to the LDAP directory. For SASL binds, the server is expected to ignore this value.

-W Prompt for simple authentication. This is used instead of specifying the password on the command line.**-w** *passwd*

Use *passwd* as the password for simple authentication.

-y *passwdfile*

Use complete contents of *passwdfile* as the password for simple authentication.

-H *ldapuri*

Specify URI(s) referring to the ldap server(s); only the protocol/host/port fields are allowed; a list of URI, separated by whitespace or commas is expected.

-P {2|3}

Specify the LDAP protocol version to use.

-e [!]*ext[=extparam]***-E** [!]*ext[=extparam]*

Specify general extensions with **-e** and modify extensions with **-E**. '!' indicates criticality.

General extensions:

[!]assert=<filter> (an RFC 4515 Filter)

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!authzid=<authzid>  ("dn:<dn>" or "u:<user>")
[!]bauthzid      (RFC 3829 authzid control)
[!]chaining[=<resolve>[/<cont>]]
[!]manageDSAit
[!]noop
ppolicy
[!]postread[=<attrs>] (a comma-separated attribute list)
[!]preread[=<attrs>] (a comma-separated attribute list)
[!]relax
sessiontracking[=<username>]
abandon,cancel,ignore (SIGINT sends abandon/cancel,
or ignores response; if critical, doesn't wait for SIGINT.
not really controls)
```

Modify extensions:

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[!]txn[=abort|commit]
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-o *opt[=optparam]*

Specify any **ldap.conf**(5) option or one of the following:

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nettimeout=<timeout> (in seconds, or "none" or "max")
ldif_wrap=<width>   (in columns, or "no" for no wrapping)
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-O *security-properties*

Specify SASL security properties.

-I Enable SASL Interactive mode. Always prompt. Default is to prompt only as needed.

-Q Enable SASL Quiet mode. Never prompt.

-N Do not use reverse DNS to canonicalize SASL host name.

-U *authcid*

Specify the authentication ID for SASL bind. The form of the ID depends on the actual SASL mechanism used.

-R *realm*

Specify the realm of authentication ID for SASL bind. The form of the realm depends on the actual SASL mechanism used.

-X authzid

Specify the requested authorization ID for SASL bind. *authzid* must be one of the following formats: **dn:<distinguished name>** or **u:<username>**

-Y mech

Specify the SASL mechanism to be used for authentication. If it's not specified, the program will choose the best mechanism the server knows.

-Z[Z]

Issue StartTLS (Transport Layer Security) extended operation. If you use **-ZZ**, the command will require the operation to be successful.

INPUT FORMAT

The contents of *file* (or standard input if no **-f** flag is given on the command line) must conform to the format defined in **ldif(5)** (LDIF as defined in RFC 2849).

EXAMPLES

Assuming that the file **/tmp/entrymods** exists and has the contents:

```
dn: cn=Modify Me,dc=example,dc=com
changetype: modify
replace: mail
mail: modme@example.com
-
add: title
title: Grand Poobah
-
add: jpegPhoto
jpegPhoto:< file:///tmp/modme.jpeg
-
delete: description
-
```

the command:

```
ldapmodify -f /tmp/entrymods
```

will replace the contents of the "Modify Me" entry's *mail* attribute with the value "modme@example.com", add a *title* of "Grand Poobah", and the contents of the file "/tmp/modme.jpeg" as a *jpegPhoto*, and completely remove the *description* attribute.

Assuming that the file **/tmp/newentry** exists and has the contents:

```
dn: cn=Barbara Jensen,dc=example,dc=com
objectClass: person
cn: Barbara Jensen
cn: Babs Jensen
sn: Jensen
title: the world's most famous mythical manager
mail: bjensen@example.com
uid: bjensen
```

the command:

```
ldapadd -f /tmp/newentry
```

will add a new entry for Babs Jensen, using the values from the file **/tmp/newentry**.

Assuming that the file **/tmp/entrymods** exists and has the contents:

```
dn: cn=Barbara Jensen,dc=example,dc=com
changetype: delete
```

the command:

```
ldapmodify -f /tmp/entrymods
```

will remove Babs Jensen's entry.

DIAGNOSTICS

Exit status is zero if no errors occur. Errors result in a non-zero exit status and a diagnostic message being written to standard error.

SEE ALSO

ldapadd(1), ldapdelete(1), ldapmodrdn(1), ldapsearch(1), ldap.conf(5), ldap(3), ldap_add_ext(3), ldap_delete_ext(3), ldap_modify_ext(3), ldap_modrdn_ext(3), ldif(5).

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