

Package LNK - Creation Of Links

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1. Documentation For Package LNK

1.1. OPT_LNK - Creation Of Links

1.1.1. Introduction

With this package it is possible to make links to files/folders during the boot process. This is particularly useful for volatile configuration and log files such as the imonc telephone directory `/etc/phonebook` to prevent losing all changes after the next reboot. Even complete directories can be “moved”, i.e. `/var/log`.

This package is an adaptation of Alexander Krause’s OPT_LNK package to fli4l 3.x.

1.1.2. Examples

To link the directory `/var/log` to the harddisk, change the variables in `config/lnk.txt` like this:

```
OPT_LNK='yes' # 'yes' installs the package to the router
LNK_N='1'      # Number of links, here '1'
LNK_1_OPT='-fs' # Link 1: Options
LNK_1_DST='/var/log' # Link 1: Target
LNK_1_SRC='/data/var/log' # Link 1: Source
```

Important: *The target of the link (here: `/var/log`) must be on a writable file system in order to create the folder; so in this case `/var` has to be a writable directory. If not, the link can not be created. Of course the target (here: `/data/var/log`) must exist at the time of link creation.*

If the target (here: `/var/log`) already exists at the time of link creation, it will be deleted! (this is no problem in the example as at the time of link creation the directory is empty anyway.)

To make the imonc phone book persistent, at first copy it to a directory on your harddisk (i.e. to `/data/etc/phonebook`) and create an additional link:

```
OPT_LNK='yes' # 'yes' installs the package to the router
LNK_N='2'      # Number of links, here '2'
LNK_1_OPT='-fs' # Link 1: Options
LNK_1_DST='/var/log' # Link 1: Target
LNK_1_SRC='/data/var/log' # Link 1: Source
LNK_2_OPT='-fs' # Link 2: Options
LNK_2_DST='/etc/phonebook' # Link 2: Target
LNK_2_SRC='/data/etc/phonebook' # Link 2: Source
```

1.1.3. Configuration

OPT_LNK Setting this to “yes”, activates the package.

LNK_N This variable holds the number of links to be created.

In the following variables *x* has to be replaced by an index number!

LNK_x_OPT With this variable you may change the options transferred to the program “ln” during linking of [Source](#) and [target](#). The default “-fs” is correct in most use cases and should not be changed.

LNK_x_DST This variable holds the target of the link. By the name provided here you may access the [Source](#) after link creation. As a rule of thumb the target referenced here should not exist.

Attention: If the target exists it will be deleted without warning!

LNK_x_SRC This variable holds the source for the link to be created. This may be a file or a directory.

Important: *The source mentioned here has to exist at the time of link creation!*

A. Appendix For Package LNK

A.1. Note Of Thanks

The fli4l team explicitly wants to thank Alexander Krause (email: admin@erazor-zone.de), for originally creating and maintaining this package. Without his work it would not have been possible to adapt the package to newer versions of fli4l.

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