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Experiment Name: Basic Command of Linux operating System.

Theory:

Linux is a Unix-Like operating system. All the Linux/Unix commands are run in the terminal provided by the Linux system. This terminal is just like the command prompt of Windows OS. Linux/Unix commands are *case-sensitive*. The terminal can be used to accomplish all Administrative tasks. This includes package installation, file manipulation, and user management. Linux terminal is user-interactive. The terminal outputs the results of commands which are specified by the user itself. Execution of typed command is done only after you press the Enter key.

15 commands of Linux Operating System -

- 1. pwd
- 2. Is
- 3. cd
- 4. mkdir & rmdir
- 5. rm
- 6. touch
- 7. man & --help
- 8. cp
- 9. mv
- 10. df
- 11. echo
- 12. cat
- 13. nano, vi, jed
- 14. uname
- 15. hostname

Working Process:

The operation of Linux Basic Command -

1. pwd — When we first open the terminal, we are in the home directory of our user. To know which directory we are in, we can use the "pwd" command. It gives us the absolute path, which means the path that starts from the root. The root is the base of the Linux file system. It is denoted by a forward slash(/). The user directory is usually something like "/home/username".

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$pwd
/home/AfrinZamanRima
```

2. Is — we use the "Is" command to know what files are in the directory we are in. We can see all the hidden files by using the command "Is -a".

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
afrin AfrinZaman dir2 rima
```

3. cd — We use the "cd" command to go to a directory. For example, if we are in the home folder, and we want to go to the downloads folder, then we can type in "cd Downloads". Remember, this command is case sensitive, and we have to type in the name of the folder exactly as it is. But there is a problem with these commands. Imagine we have a folder named "Raspberry Pi". In this case, when we type in "cd Raspberry Pi", the shell will take the second argument of the command as a different one, so we will get an error saying that the directory does not exist. Here, we can use a backward slash. That is, we can use "cd Raspberry\ Pi" in this case. Spaces are denoted like this: If we just type "cd" and press enter, it takes you to the home directory. To go back from a folder to the folder before that, you can type "cd ..". The two dots represent back.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$cd downloads
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org downloads]$pwd
/home/AfrinZamanRima/downloads
```

4. mkdir & rmdir — We use the mkdir command when we need to create a folder or a directory. For example, if we want to make a directory called "DIY", then we can type "mkdir DIY". Remember, as told before, if we want to create a directory named "DIY Hacking", then we can type "mkdir DIY\ Hacking". Use rmdir to delete a directory. But rmdir can only be used to delete an empty directory. To delete a directory containing files, use rm.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$mkdir -v AfrinZamanRima
mkdir: created directory 'AfrinZamanRima'
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
afrin AfrinZaman AfrinZamanRima dir2 downloads rima
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$rmdir AfrinZaman
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
afrin AfrinZamanRima dir2 downloads rima
```

5. rm – We use the **rm** command to delete files and directories. Use "**rm** -**r**" to delete just the directory. It deletes both the folder and the files it contains when using only the **rm** command.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$rm -r afrin
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
AfrinZamanRima dir2 downloads rima
```

6. touch — The **touch** command is used to create a file. It can be anything, from an empty txt file to an empty zip file. For example, "**touch new.txt**".

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
AfrinZamanRima downloads rima
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$touch Afrin
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
Afrin AfrinZamanRima downloads rima
```

7. man & --help — To know more about a command and how to use it, we use the man command. It shows the manual pages of the command. For example, "man cd" shows the manual pages of the cd command. Typing in the command name and the argument helps it show which ways the command can be used (e.g., cd -help).

bash, :, ., [, alias, bg, bind, break, builtin, caller, cd, command, compgen, complete, compopt, continue, declare, dirs, disown, echo, enable, eval, exec, exit, export, false, fc, fg, getopts, hash, help, history, jobs, kill, let, local, logout, mapfile, popd, printf, pushd, pwd, read, readonly,

return, set, shift, shopt, source, suspend, test, times, trap, true, type, typeset, ulimit, umask, unalias, unset, wait - bash built-in commands, see bash(1)

BASH BUILTIN COMMANDS

BASH_BUILTINS(1)

Unless otherwise noted, each builtin command documented in this section as accepting options preceded by - accepts -- to signify the end of the options. The :, true, false, and test builtins do not accept options and do not treat -- specially. The exit, logout, break, continue, let, and shift builtins accept and process arguments beginning with - without requiring --. Other builtins that accept arguments but are not specified as accepting options interpret arguments beginning with - as invalid options and require -- to prevent this interpretation.

: [arguments]

No effect; the command does nothing beyond expanding arguments and performing any specified redirections. A zero exit code is returned.

. <u>filename</u> [<u>arguments</u>] source <u>filename</u> [arguments]

> Read and execute commands from filename in the current shell environment and return the exit status of the last command executed from If <u>filename</u> does not contain a slash, file names in PATH filename. are used to find the directory containing $\underline{\text{filename}}$. The file searched for in PATH need not be executable. When bash is not in posix mode, the current directory is searched if no file is found in

> PATH. If the sourcepath option to the shopt builtin command is

Manual page cd(1) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)

8. cp — We use the cp command to copy files through the command line. It takes two arguments: The first is the location of the file to be copied, the second is where to copy.

[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]\$ls /home/AfrinZamanRima/downloads Afrin

[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]\$cp Afrin /home/AfrinZamanRima/music [AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]\$ls /home/AfrinZamanRima/music Afrin

9. mv — We use the mv command to move files through the command line. We can also use the mv command to rename a file. For example, if we want to rename the file "text" to "new", we can use "mv text new". It takes the two arguments, just like the cp command.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
AfrinZamanRima downloads music rima
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$mv AfrinZamanRima afrin
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$ls
afrin downloads music rima
```

10. df — We use the df command to see the available disk space in each of the partitions in our system. We can just type in df in the command line and you can see each mounted partition and their used/available space in % and in KBs. If you want it shown in megabytes, you can use the command "df -m".

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$df -m
               1M-blocks Used Available Use% Mounted on
Filesystem
                                          50% /
/dev/sda1
                                   49008
                  100701 47580
devtmpfs
                    7252
                                    7252
                                           0% /dev
                             0
                                          38% /dev/shm
tmpfs
                    7262
                          2751
                                    4511
tmpfs
                    7262
                           644
                                    6618
                                           9% /run
tmpfs
                    7262
                             0
                                    7262
                                           0% /sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/sdc1
                                          56% /home
                   30705 16978
                                   13727
/dev/sdb
                   10230 3536
                                    6695 35% /common pool
```

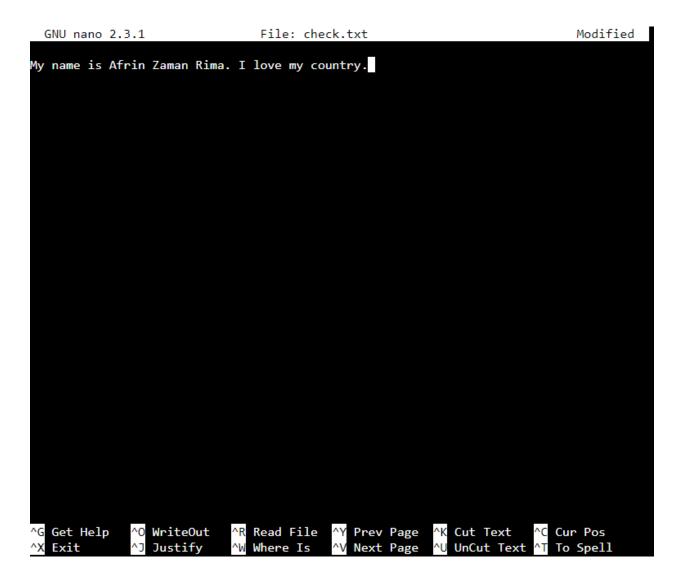
11. echo — The "echo" command helps us move some data, usually text into a file. For example, if we want to create a new text file or add to an already made text file, we just need to type in, "echo hello, my name is AfrinZaman >> orin". We do not need to separate the spaces by using the backward slash here, because we put in two triangular brackets when we finish what we need to write.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$echo hello, my name is AfrinZaman>>orin
```

12. cat — We use the cat command to display the contents of a file. It is usually used to easily view programs.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$echo hello, my name is AfrinZaman>>orin
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$cat orin
hello, my name is AfrinZaman
```

13. nano, vi, jed — nano and vi are already installed text editors in the Linux command line. The nano command is a good text editor that denotes keywords with color and can recognize most languages. And vi is simpler than nano. We can create a new file or modify a file using this editor. For example, if we need to make a new file named "check.txt", we can create it by using the command "nano check.txt". We can save our files after editing by using the sequence Ctrl+X, then Y (or N for no). In my experience, using nano for HTML editing doesn't seem as good, because of its color, so I recommend jed text editor. We will come to installing packages soon.



14. uname — We use **uname** to show the information about the system our Linux distro is running. Using the command "**uname** -a" prints most of the information about the system. This prints the kernel release date, version, processor type, etc.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$uname -a
Linux server-1.localdomain 3.10.0-514.16.1.el7.x86_64 #1 SMP Wed Apr 12 15:04:24 UTC 2
017 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
```

15. hostname — We use **hostname** to know our name in our host or network. Basically, it displays our hostname and IP address. Just typing "**hostname**" gives the output. Typing in "**hostname** -**I**" gives us our IP address in our network.

```
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$hostname
server-1.localdomain
[AfrinZamanRima@webminal.org ~]$hostname -I
217.182.92.164
```

Discussion:

This lab helps us to learn about linux command and to know more about Linux Operating System. We have used 15 linux commands in this lab and this lab have helped us a lot. In future we can use Linux Operating System.