Introduction to Linux & Terminal commands

* Shell → The shell is the Linux command line interpreter that provides a command line interface, which interpret our commands and tell the OS what to do. e.g → bash (Bourne Again SHell).

* Terminal Emulators → Terminal Emulator is a program that will let us use the terminal in a graphical way.

* Command Prompt → It is a part of terminal where we write commands.

Commands

pwd → Print name of current working directory

ls → List directory contents

ls -a → List all the files and subdirectories of current working directory even hidden one also.

ls -l → Displays the current directory contents in long format.

cd → changes the working directory to your home directory

cd .. → move one back from the current working directory.

cd - → changes the working directory to the previous working directory.

ls -R → list directory tree recursively

** cat - Concatenate files

cat <file_name> → Display the content of file

cat > <file-name> → To create a file

cat <file_1> <file_2> -> <file_3> → It merge the content of file_1 & file_2 and Put into file_3

(-> : redirection operator)

* echo → display a line of text.

echo "Hello world" → It display Hello world

* man [command] → Display help pages(manual) of <command>.

** Pipe

pipe operator |

Using pipe, the output of one command can be piped into the input of another.

command1 | command2

cat file.txt
Hello world

pipe
cat file.txt | tr a-z A-Z > upper.txt
↳ It translate all the small cases to upper case and store it in upper.txt file

cat upper.txt
O/P → HELLO WORLD

mkdir <directory_name> ⟶ create a directory

mkdir -p dir1/dir2/dir3 ⟶ to create directories inside directory

touch <file_name> ⟶ create a file

** cp - copy files & directories

cp file1 file2 ⟶ copy file1 to file2. If file2 exists, it will overwrite with file1 content.

cp -r dir1 dir2 ⟶ Recursively copies dir1 to dir2. dir2 is created if it doesn't exist.

** mv - move files/dir and Rename files/dir

mv file1 file2 ⟶ move file1 to file2
mv dir1 dir2 ⟶ move dir1 to dir2

mv <myfile> <newfile> ⟶ rename file to newfile

rm <file-name> → remove a file
rm -f <file-name> → forcefully remove the file
rm -rf <directory> → remove a directory

** sudo command : Super user do
The sudo command allow you to run programs with the security privileges of another user (by default, as the superuser).
sudo <command>
It prompts for password.

df → It shows free disk space
df -h → shows in human-readable format
df -g → shows in gigabyte

du → display disk usage statistics

** head : It shows first few lines of files
** tail : It shows last few lines of files

head -n 4 <file-name> → Display first 4 lines of the file

tail -n 5 <file-name> → Display last 5 lines of the file.

note:- If we don't specify no. of line (-n) by default it display first/last 10 lines of respective file.

**# diff → compare files line by line

* diff <file1> <file2> → Compare file1 & file2 and displays the lines which doesn't match

locate "*.txt" → Display all the files location that ends with .txt

** find : walk a file hierarchy

find <folder_name> → shows all stuff i.e files, hidden files, folder.

find <dir_name> -type d → It only list the folder

find <dir_name> -type f → It only list the files.

find <dir_name> -type f -name "*.txt"
↳ display all the .txt file inside that directory

find <dir_name> -type f -mmin -20
↳ display all the files modify less than 20 min

find <dir_name> -type f -mmin +15
↳ display all the files that were modify in more than 15 min

* check manual of find command for more details.

find <dir-name> -size +1k
↳ display the files & dir having size more than 1kb

find <dir-name> -perm 777
↳ display the files having read, write and execute permissions.

* There are 3 types of permissions: Read, write and Execute. And there are 3 type of people who uses the computer, owner, group & other.

- r → allows a file/directory to be opened & read.
- w → allows a file or files within a directory to be created, deleted & renamed.
- x → allows a file to be treated as a program & executed. or allow a directory to be entered.

** File Attributes Meaning

→ -rwx------ file is readable, writable & executable by file's owner. No one else has any access.

→ -rw-r--r-- File is readable, writable by file's owner Members of the file's owner group may read the file and everybody else can also read the file.

→ -rw-rw---- file is readable and writable by file's owner and group members only.

* To change the mode (permissions) of a file or dir, the chmod command is used.

chmod u=rwx, g=rx, o=r <file-name>
↳ file is readable, writable & executable to user(owner), readable and executable to group members and only readable to others

OR

chmod 777 <file-name> → gives read, write and execute permission to all.

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** File modes in Octal

Octal	File Mode
0	---
1	--x
2	-w-
3	-wx
4	r--
5	r-x
6	rw-
7	rwx

r → read
w → write
x → execute

whoami → display username of current user

chown → Change a file's owner

sudo chown root <file-name>
↳ This will give root permission

** grep command : searches a file for a particular pattern of characters.

grep -V → to see version

grep <pattern" <file_name> → to search a particular pattern in file

Options:

-w : match whole word
-i : ignores case-sensitive
-n : display the mached lines & their line numbers.
-A n : prints searched line & n lines after the result.
-B n : prints searched line & n line before the result
-r : searches reaursively
-l : displays list of file that contains specified string
-C : prints the file with the count of the lines that match a pattern.

* history → shows history of commands usage

clear → used to clear the terminal screen

** Cursor Movement

⇒ ctrl -a → Move the cursor to beginning of line
⇒ ctrl -e → Move cursor to the end of the line.
⇒ ctrl -k → remove text from the cursor location to the end of line.
⇒ ctrl -u → remove text from the cursor location to the beginning of the line
⇒ "tab key" → used for auto completion while typing a command
⇒ ctrl -l → clear the screen and move the cursor to top-left corner same as clear command.

⇒ ! <Comman-no-from-history> → repeat history list item number
⇒ ctrl -r → This search incrementally from the current cmd line up the history list.

* Sort → sort lines of text

sort <file.txt> → sort a file

sort -r file.txt → sort in reverse order

jobs → list the jobs running in background & foreground.

ping → checks for network connectivity between two nodes.

$ ping google.com
⇒ We can also use IP address to ping directly.

wget → used to download content from internet

wget <url>

* top → displays all the processes running on the machine, and shows available resources.

kill <pid> → to kill that process
(pid ↑ process id; kill or stop)

uname → show kernel name

zip file.zip file.txt → create compressed file

unzip file.zip → to unzip the file

hostname → show DNS name & set hostname
hostname -i → display the ip

useradd <user_name> → to add a user
passwd <user-name> → to set password to the user
userdel <user-name> → to delete the user

uname -a → shows the type of kernel
uname -m → prints machine's hardware name
uname -r → print kernel release

cat /etc/os-release → display all the info about the OS
lscpu → to get CPU details

*# free → display free and used memory
free -m → display the result in megabytes
free -h → display in human-readable format.

vmstat → to see stat of virtual memory

id → displays groups
getent → checks if a user exist
lsof → display all the open files

nslookup → display IP address of the domain

netstat → display network related info such as routing table, interface statics, etc

cut ⟹ cut out selected portions of each line of a file.

cut -c 1-3 <file.txt>
↳ print first three characters of each line from the file

ps aux → shows processes running status

** "&" operator → used to combine the commands

ping google.com & ping facebook.com

⇒ The function of '&' is to make the command run in background.

** "&&" operator (AND) → The command following "&&" operator will execute only if the command preceding this operator has been successfully executed.

Example

echo "first" && echo "second"

O/P → first
second

** OR Operator (||)

Execute second command only if execution of first command fails. This operator is like an "else" statement in programming.

** NOT operator (!)

This is much like an 'except' statement. This will execute all except the condition provides.

Ex

rm -r !(*.html) → delete all the files except 'html' files all at once.