

Mostly, we find -o along with -e as -eo, but when filters are applied -o should act alone, as mentioned in this section.

TTY filter for ps

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The ps output can be selected by specifying the TTY to which the process is attached. Use the -t option to specify the TTY list, as follows:

Information about process threads

00:00:00 ps

Usually, information about process threads are hidden in the ps output. We can show information about threads in the ps output by adding the -L option. Then, it will show two columns NLWP and NLP. NLWP is the thread count for a process and NLP is the thread ID for each entry in ps. For example:

```
$ ps -eLf
Or
$ ps -eLf --sort -nlwp | head
TITD
           PID PPID
                       LWP C NLWP STIME TTY
                                                       TIME CMD
           647
                   1
                       647
                           0
                                64 14:39 ?
                                                   00:00:00 /usr/sbin/
root
console-kit-daemon --no-daemon
                                                   00:00:00 /usr/sbin/
           647
                       654 0
                                64 14:39 ?
console-kit-daemon --no-daemon
           647
                       656 0
                                64 14:39 ?
                                                   00:00:00 /usr/sbin/
console-kit-daemon --no-daemon
                                64 14:39 ?
                                                   00:00:00 /usr/sbin/
root
           647
                   1
                       657
                           0
console-kit-daemon --no-daemon
           647
                       658 0
                                64 14:39 ?
                                                   00:00:00 /usr/sbin/
root
                   1
console-kit-daemon --no-daemon
                       659 0
                                64 14:39 ?
                                                   00:00:00 /usr/sbin/
           647
                   1
root
console-kit-daemon --no-daemon
```

root	647	1	660	0	64	14:39	?	00:00:00	/usr/sbin/	
console-ki	no	o-daei	mon							
root	647	1	662	0	64	14:39	?	00:00:00	/usr/sbin/	
console-ki	no-daemon									
root	647	1	663	0	64	14:39	?	00:00:00	/usr/sbin/	
console-kit-daemon		no	no-daemon							

This command lists 10 processes with a maximum number of threads.

Specifying output width and columns to be displayed

We can specify the columns to be displayed in the ps output using the user-defined output format specifier -o. Another way to specify the output format is with standard options. Practice them according to your usage style. Try these options:

```
f ps -ef
u ps -e u
ps ps -e w (w stands for wide output)
```

Showing environment variables for a process

Understanding which environment variables a process is dependent on is a very useful bit of information we might need. The way a process behaves might be heavily dependent on the environmental variables set. We can debug and make use of environment data for fixing several problems related to the running of processes.

In order to list environment variables along with ps entries, use:

```
$ ps -eo cmd e
For example:

$ ps -eo pid,cmd e | tail -n 3
    1162 hald-addon-acpi: listening on acpid socket /var/run/acpid.socket
    1172 sshd: slynux [priv]
    1237 sshd: slynux@pts/0
    1238 -bash USER=slynux LOGNAME=slynux HOME=/home/slynux PATH=/usr/
local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/bin:/usr/games
MAIL=/var/mail/slynux SHELL=/bin/bash SSH_CLIENT=10.211.55.2 49277 22
SSH_CONNECTION=10.211.55.2 49277 10.211.55.4 22 SSH_TTY=/dev/pts/0
TERM=xterm-color LANG=en_IN XDG_SESSION_COOKIE=dle96f5cc8a7a3bc3a0a73e44c
95121a-1286499339.592429-1573657095
```