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| **<<Course Code>>** | Introduction to Linux Lab | L | T | P | C |
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| **Pre-requisites/Exposure** | Fundamental Programming Concepts | | | | |
| **Co-requisites** | Operating System | | | | |

**Course Objectives**

* Identify different Linux distributions available.
* Explain the functionality of basic file operations and file viewing/editing commands.
* Utilize basic commands to navigate the file system, create and manage files/directories, and view/edit file content.
* Analyze complex file and directory operations, such as searching for files based on specific criteria or patterns.
* Create shell scripts that automate tasks such as printing messages, performing arithmetic operations, and manipulating strings.

**Course Outcomes**

On completion of this course, the students will be able to:

* Understand the functionality and purpose of different file operations, user management commands, and system information commands in Linux.
* Apply the appropriate commands to navigate the file system, manage files/directories, view/edit files, manage users, and gather system information.
* Analyze and identify potential issues or improvements in shell scripts by examining their logic, structure, and performance.
* Evaluate the effectiveness of shell scripts in achieving desired outcomes and solving specific problems.
* Create complex shell scripts to solve more advanced problems and automate tasks involving file manipulation, searching, and system information retrieval.

**List of Experiments**

**Lab1: Install virtual player and linux**

Step 1: Install VMware Workstation 15 Player or VirtualBox by Oracle.

1. VMware Workstation 15 Player is a virtualization software that allows you to run multiple operating systems on a single physical machine. You can download it from the VMware website and follow the installation instructions.
2. VirtualBox is another popular virtualization software that provides similar functionality. You can download it from the Oracle website and install it on your computer.

Step 2: Download an installation .iso for a Linux distribution like Ubuntu, Fedora, or any other of your choice.

1. An .iso file is a disk image of the Linux distribution you want to install. It contains all the necessary files for the operating system.
2. You can download the .iso file from the official website of the Linux distribution you prefer. For example, if you want to use Ubuntu, you can visit the Ubuntu website and download the .iso file for the desired version.

Step 3: Install the .iso from the virtual VBox or VMware Workstation.

1. Launch VMware Workstation or VirtualBox on your computer.
2. Create a new virtual machine by clicking on the "New" or "Create" button, depending on the software you are using.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to set up the virtual machine. This includes specifying the name, location, and specifications for the virtual machine, such as the amount of RAM and storage allocated.
4. During the setup process, you will be prompted to select the installation .iso file. Browse and select the .iso file you downloaded in Step 2.
5. Complete the virtual machine setup by following the remaining on-screen instructions. This may involve selecting the operating system type, configuring network settings, and specifying storage options.
6. Once the setup is complete, start the virtual machine. It will boot from the .iso file and begin the Linux installation process.
7. Follow the installation prompts and provide any required information, such as username, password, and partitioning options.
8. Once the installation is complete, you will have a fully functional Linux virtual machine running within VMware Workstation or VirtualBox.

**Lab2: Practice some basic commands on Linux**

1. Basic Navigation Commands: Teach essential commands for navigating the file system, such as:

ls (list): Display the contents of a directory.

cd (change directory): Move between directories.

pwd (print working directory): Show the current directory.

mkdir (make directory): Create new directories.

rmdir (remove directory): Remove empty directories.

1. File Operations: Introduce fundamental file operations using the following commands:

touch: Create new files.

cp (copy): Copy files and directories.

mv (move): Move or rename files and directories.

rm (remove): Delete files and directories.

1. File Viewing and Editing: Introduce commands for viewing and editing files, such as:

cat: Display file contents.

less or more: View files with pagination.

head and tail: Show the beginning or end of a file.

nano or vim: Basic text editors.

1. User Management: Discuss commands for user management tasks, including:

whoami: Display the current user.

who: Show users currently logged in.

passwd: Change the password for the current user.

sudo (superuser do): Execute commands with administrative privileges.

1. System Information: Introduce commands for gathering system information, such as:

uname: Display system information.

df (disk free): Show disk space usage.

top or htop: Monitor system processes.

history: View command history.

**Lab3: Files and Directories commands 1**

1. Working with Files:

touch: Create an empty file or update the access/modify timestamps of an existing file.

cp: Copy files and directories.

mv: Move or rename files and directories.

rm: Remove files and directories.

cat: Concatenate and display the contents of a file.

less: Display the contents of a file one page at a time.

head: Display the first few lines of a file.

tail: Display the last few lines of a file.

1. File Permissions and Ownership:

Explain the ls -l command to display detailed file information, including permissions and ownership.

Discuss the three sets of permissions: owner, group, and others.

Explain the chmod command to modify file permissions.

Discuss the chown and chgrp commands to change file ownership and group.

1. Advanced File and Directory Operations:

find: Search for files and directories based on various criteria.

grep: Search for specific patterns within files.

tar: Archive files and directories into a single file.

gzip/gunzip: Compress and decompress files.

ln: Create hard and symbolic links.

**Lab 4: Shell Programing**

1. Write a simple shell script that prints "Hello, World!" when executed.
2. Create a script that prompts the user to enter their name and then displays a personalized greeting.
3. Write a script that takes two numbers as input and performs various arithmetic operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
4. Create a script that asks the user to enter their age and displays a message based on whether they are eligible to vote or not.

**Lab 5: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that takes a number as input and checks whether it is a prime number or not.
2. Write a script that calculates the sum of the digits of a given number.
3. Create a script that checks whether a given number is an Armstrong number or not.

**Lab 6: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that checks whether a given number is a palindrome or not. A palindrome number reads the same backward as forward.
2. Write a script that calculates the greatest common divisor (GCD) and the least common multiple (LCM) of two given numbers.
3. Create a script that takes multiple numbers as input and sorts them in ascending or descending order.

**Lab 7: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that takes a filename as input and checks if it exists. If the file exists, display its content; otherwise, prompt the user to create the file.
2. Create a script that prints the numbers from 1 to 10 using a loop.
3. Write a script that takes a filename as a command line argument and counts the number of lines, words, and characters in that file.
4. Create a script that defines a function to calculate the factorial of a given number and call that function with different inputs.

**Lab 8: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that checks the file permissions of a given file and displays whether it is readable, writable, or executable by the current user.
2. Create a script that prompts the user to enter a string and then performs operations like string length, string concatenation, and string comparison.
3. Write a script that searches for a specific pattern in a given file and displays the matching lines.
4. Create a script that displays various system information like the current date and time, logged-in users, system uptime, etc.

**Lab 9: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that renames all files in a directory by adding a prefix or suffix to the filenames.
2. Create a script that searches for files in a specified directory and its subdirectories, based on certain criteria like file extension or file size.
3. Write a script that generates the Fibonacci series up to a given number, using loops or recursive functions.

**Lab 10: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that takes a string as input and calculates its length.
2. Create a script that takes a string as input and prints its reverse.
3. Write a script that prompts the user to enter two strings and concatenates them together.

**Lab11: Shell Programming**

1. Write a script that takes a sentence as input and splits it into individual words.
2. Create a script that checks whether a given string is a palindrome or not.

**Lab12: Building a Rule-Based Expert System using Shell Scripting**

Objective: The objective of this lab exercise is to build a simple rule-based expert system using shell scripting. The expert system will provide recommendations based on a set of predefined rules.

Instructions:

1. Create a shell script named "expert\_system.sh".
2. Implement a set of rules using conditional statements (if-elif-else) within the script. Each rule should check for specific conditions and provide a corresponding recommendation.

Example rules:

* + If the user is experiencing fever, recommend taking a fever reducer medication.
  + If the user has a sore throat, recommend gargling with warm saltwater.
  + If the user has a cough and congestion, recommend drinking warm fluids and taking cough syrup.
  + Feel free to add more rules based on your desired expert system topic.

1. Prompt the user to input their symptoms.
2. Based on the user's input, evaluate the rules one by one and display the appropriate recommendation(s) for the symptoms identified.
3. If none of the rules match the user's symptoms, provide a general recommendation or message.
4. Test the expert system by running the script and providing different sets of symptoms to observe the recommendations.
5. Modify the rules or add new rules as needed to refine the expert system's behavior.
6. Document the logic and rules implemented in the script, along with any modifications or additions made.
7. Write a summary report discussing the challenges faced, observations made, and improvements that can be made to enhance the expert system's functionality.