

Linux Cheat Sheet

<code>cd</code>	change current directory to home directory.
<code>cd <i>dir</i></code>	change current directory to <i>dir</i> .
<code>cd ..</code>	change the current directory to parent of the current directory.
<code>pwd</code>	prints the path of the current directory.
<code>ls</code>	list all the files in the current directory.
<code>ls <i>dir</i></code>	list all the files in directory <i>dir</i> .
<code>ls -l</code>	list all files in the current directory with more file details.
<code>touch <i>filename</i></code>	make a new file with the given <i>filename</i> .
<code>mkdir <i>dir</i></code>	make a new directory with name <i>dir</i> .
<code>rm <i>filename</i></code>	delete the file with the given <i>filename</i> .
<code>rm -r <i>dir</i></code>	delete the given directory and it's contents <i>dir</i> .
<code>cp <i>fname1</i> <i>fname2</i></code>	copies file <i>fname1</i> to file <i>fname2</i> .
<code>mv <i>fname1</i> <i>fname2</i></code>	renames file <i>fname1</i> to file <i>fname2</i> .
<code>man <i>command</i></code>	shows the manual on how to use <i>command</i> .
<code>info <i>command</i></code>	shows info about the <i>command</i> .
<code>apropos <i>keyword</i></code>	searches in the manuals for the given <i>keyword</i> .
<code>cat <i>filename</i></code>	concatenates the full file <i>filename</i> on the terminal.
<code>less <i>filename</i></code>	show <i>filename</i> in a viewer in the terminal.
<code>head <i>filename</i></code>	shows the first 10 lines of the file <i>filename</i> .
<code>tail <i>filename</i></code>	shows the last 10 lines of the file <i>filename</i> .
<code>find -name <i>filename</i></code>	recursively finds all files which match the given <i>filename</i> .
<code>exit</code>	closes the current (tab) in the terminal.
<code>shutdown now</code>	shuts down the computer.

Table 1: Usefull Linux commands.

nano nano <i>filename</i>	text editor which works in the terminal. starts nano to edit the file <i>filename</i> .
python python <i>filename</i> python3 python3 <i>filename</i>	starts interactive python console on the terminal. uses python to execute file <i>filename</i> . starts interactive python console on the terminal. uses python to execute file <i>filename</i> .
gimp gedit eclipse	image manipulation and paint program. text editor with a graphical userinterface. programming IDE for Java. Additional support for other programming languages such as Python and C++ can be added by using plugins.
libreoffice	office suite to create documents, presentations,...
ssh <i>user@machine</i> sftp <i>user@machine</i>	remotely login to a terminal as the given <i>user</i> on the given <i>machine</i> . utility to <i>put</i> and <i>get</i> files on the given <i>user</i> 's account on the given <i>machine</i> .

Table 2: Usefull Linux programs.

On the desktop	
windows key (press) windows key (hold) ctrl + alt + T alt + shift	open launcher. show desktop shortcuts. start a new terminal. switch between programs.
In a terminal	
tab ctrl + shift + T ctrl + C ctrl + L arrow up middle-mouse button	autocomplete current command. start a new tab in the terminal. stop the current command clear the current terminal window. go back through your history of commands. paste clipboard content.

Table 3: Usefull shortcuts.