

LINUX Notes



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Linux Founder—Linus Torvalds

Linus Benedict Torvalds is a Finnish software engineer best known for having initiated the development of the Linux kernel and git revision control system.

History of LINUX

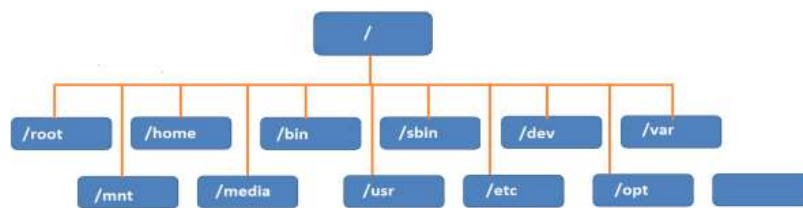
- Linux came from a Unix family, Linux is free and open-source software operating systems, which was developed by Linus Torvalds in September 1991.
- In 1991, When Linus Torvalds was a student at the University of Helsinki, Finland, USA.
- He developed the first code of Linux 0.01 and post it on Minix newsgroup 17 Sep 1991, his code become so popular people encourage him to develop new code and he was lead to develop new code and release the first “official” version of Linux, version 0.02 on October 5, 1991.
- Today many year pass and Linux become one of the most popular operating system.

Today 90% fastest Supercomputers out of 500 run on Linux variant including top 10.

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Linux File System Hierarchy

- In Linux everything is represented as a file including a hardware program, the files are stored in a directory, and every directory contains a file with a tree structure. That is called File System Hierarchy.
- Linux uses single rooted, inverted tree-like structure.
- Root Directory represents with / (forward slash) It is a top-level directory in Linux.



/

- The base of the Linux directory is the root. This is the starting point of FSH. Every directory arises from the root directory. It is represented by a forward slash (/).
- If someone says to look into the slash directory, they refer to the root directory.

/root

- It is the home directory for the root user (superuser).

/bin → User Binaries

- Contains binary executable.
- Common Linux commands you need to use in single-user modes are located under this directory.

- Commands used by all the users of the system are located here.

/sbin → System Binaries

- Just like /bin, /sbin also contains binary executables.
- But, the linux commands located under this directory are used typically by system administrator, for system maintenance purpose.
- For example: iptables, reboot, fdisk, ifconfig, swapon

/dev → Device Files

- it contains hardware device files,
- Contains device files.
- These include terminal devices, usb, or any device attached to the system.
- For example: /dev/tty1, /dev/usbmon0

/var → Variable Files

- The variable data files such as log files are located in the /var directory.
- File contents that tend to grow are located in this directory.
 - > This includes
 - /var/log: System log files generated by OS and other applications.
 - /var/lib: Contains database and packages files.
 - /var/mail: Contains Emails.
 - /var/tmp: Contains Temporary files needed for reboot.

/mnt → Mount Directory

- This directory is used to mount a file system temporarily.

/media → Removable Media Devices

- The /media directory contains subdirectories where removable media devices inserted into the computer are mounted.

/usr → User Binaries

- The /usr directory contains applications and files used by users, as opposed to applications and files used by the system

/etc → Configuration files

- It contains all configuration files of server
- The core configuration files are stored in the /etc directory. It controls the behavior of an operating system or application. This directory also contains startup and shutdown program scripts that are used to start or stop individual programs.

/boot → Boot Loader Files

- The /boot directory contains the files needed to boot the system

—for example,
the GRUB boot loader's files and your Linux kernels are stored here.

/opt → Optional Applications

- The opt directory is used for installing the application software from third-party vendors that are not available in the Linux distribution. Usually, the software code is stored in the opt directory and the binary code is linked to the bin directory so that all users can run that software.

/home → Home Directory

- It contain secondary users home directory.

/tmp → Temporary Files

- Directory that contains temporary files created by system and users.
- Files under this directory are deleted when system is rebooted.

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Basic Commands

#pwd → it shows the present working directory

#ls → it shows available files and directory list in the present working

directory.

#uname → it shows the name of the kernel (OS)

#uname -r → it shows version of the kernel

#cd → it use for change directory

#clear → it use for clear screen

#whoami → it show currently login user name

#history → it show list of previously used commands

#date → it show time and date

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Create file or directory

1. For create single directory

#mkdir /shubham

2. For create multiple directory

#mkdir dev qa test

3. For create directory path (directory inside directory)

#mkdir -p /dev/qa/test/devops

4. For create number of directory

#mkdir /student{1..10}

Create file

Touch:

Touch command is use for create empty file, we can't write data in a file, can't edit or save file.

1. Create single file with touch command

#touch notes

2. Create multilpe file

#touch python java react

3.Create number of files

#touch books{1..10}

For copy and paste

cp :

cp command is used for copy and paste file or directory

Syntax:

```
#cp <option> <source> <destination>
```

Options

-r for recursive

-v for verbose

-f for forcefully

For copy file

```
#cp -rvf /root/anaconda-ks.cfg /home
```

For copy all data which start form D alphabet

```
#cp -rvf /root/D* /home
```

For remove file & directory

For delete file or directory

```
#rm -rvf /india/pune
```

For move or rename file & directory

For move file or directory

```
#mv /home/shub/root/Desktop
```

For rename file or directory

```
#mv dev devops
```

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User Management

For create user account

```
#useradd shub
```

For check user account properties

```
#grep shub/etc/passwd
```

```
shub:1001:1001: ./home/shub:/bin/bash
```

For create user account password

```
#passwd shub
```

For check user password properties

```
#grep shub /etc/shadow
```

```
shub:u$!1bc25f%:18002:0:99999:7: ::
```

For switch user account

```
#su shub
```

For logout from user account

```
#exit
```

Or

Press “ctrl+d” Key

For Delete user account

```
#userdel shub
```

For change user Login name

```
#usermod -l devops shub
```

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Group Management

- Group is collection of user accounts which is very use full to administrator for manage and apply permission on number of users.

For add Group account

```
#groupadd ibmgrp
```

For check group account property

```
#grep ibmgrp /etc/group
```

```
Ibmgrp:x:1001:ajay,vijay,sachin
```

For check group admin property

```
#grep ibmgrp /etc/gshadow
```

lbmgrp!::

For Delete group Account

#groupdel lbmgrp

For add single member in group

#gpasswd -a ajay lbmgrp

For add multiple member in group

#gpasswd -M rahul,virat,rohit lbmgrp

For remove group member

#gpasswd -d virat lbmgrp

For make group admin

#gpasswd -A sachin lbmgrp

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Linux File System Permission

Type of File Permission

- Basic Permission
- Special Permission
- Access Control List (ACL) Permission

For check file permission

#ls -l /notes.txt

-rw-r—r—. 1 root root 0 Jan 4 14:59 /notes.txt

Permission

Link

Owner

Group owner

Size of file

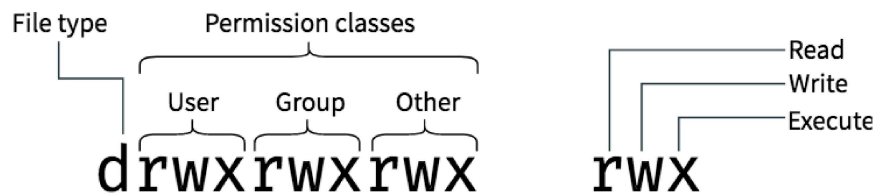
Date & time of file creation

Name of file

For check directory permission

```
#ls -ld /dev
```

Permission in details



Permission Group

Permission Description

Owner (u) → Permissions used for the owner of the file

Group (g) → Permissions used by members of the group

Other (o) → Permissions used by all other users

Permission Set

Permission	Access for a file	Access for a directory
Read (r)	display file contents and copy the file.	View contents of directory
Write (w)	modify the file contents.	modify the contents of a directory.
Execute (x)	execute the file if it is an executable.	Allow use of cd command to access the directory

Permission with numeric & symbol

Number	Permission Type	Symbol
0	No Permission	---
1	Execute	--x
2	Write	-w-
3	Execute + Write	-wx
4	Read	r--
5	Read + Execute	r-x
6	Read + Write	rw-
7	Read + Write +Execute	rwX

For change permission

For add read permission to owner

```
#chmod u+r /notes.txt
```

For add read write permission to group

```
#chmod g+rw /notes.txt
```

For remove read permission to others

```
#chmod o-r /notes.txt
```

For change ownership

Syntax:

```
#chown <user name> <file/directory name>
```

eg.

```
#chown ajay /notes.txt
```

For change group ownership

Syntax:

```
#chgrp <group name> <file/directory name>
```

eg.

```
#chgrp ibmgrp /notes.txt
```

Set permission with numeric value

r (read) = 4

w (write) = 2

x (execute) = 1

For set permission with numeric value

```
#chmod 751 /shub
```

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Access Control List (ACL)

- Access control list (ACL) provides an additional, more flexible permission mechanism for file systems.
- Access control list is service which is use for providing special permission to specific user and group to particular directories and file

Use of ACL

Think of a scenario in which a particular user is not a member of group created by you but still you want to give some read or write access, how can you do it without making user a member of group, here comes in picture Access Control Lists, ACL helps us to do this trick.

For check ACL Permission

Syntax:

```
#getfacl <name of file or directory>
```

eg. #getfacl /devops

For set ACL permission to user

```
#setfacl -m u:shub:rwX /de
```

For remove ACL permission of user

```
#setfacl -x u:shub: /devops
```

For set ACL permission to Group

```
#setfacl -m g:shubgrp:rwX /devops
```

For remove ACL permission of group

```
#setfacl -x g:shubgrp: /devops
```

For remove all ACL permissions

```
#setfacl -b /devops
```

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Regular Expressions

What is Regular Expressions?

- Regular expressions are special characters which help search data, matching complex patterns.

GREP (Global Regular Expression Print)

- The grep filter searches a file for a particular pattern of characters, and displays all lines that contain that pattern.

1. Search a word (string in a file)

```
#grep root /etc/passwd
```

2. Search a string in multiple files

```
#grep root /etc/passwd /etc/group
```

3. Search a string insensitive in file

```
#grep -i Root /etc/passwd
```

4. Search a string in all files recursively

```
#grep -r root /
```

5. Inverting the string match

```
#grep -v root /etc/passwd
```

6. Displaying the string match total line no

```
#grep -c root /etc/passwd
```

7. Display the file names that matches the string

```
#grep -l root /etc/passwd/etc/shadow
```

8. Display the file names that do not contain the string

```
#grep -L root /etc/passwd /etc/shadow
```

9. Displaying the string match line with number

```
#grep -n root /etc/passwd
```

10. Display the lines that start with a string

```
#grep ^root /etc/passwd
```

11. Display the lines that end with a string

```
#grep /bin/bash$ /etc/passwd
```

12. Search and redirect output in a new file

```
#grep root /etc/passwd > /mnt/find.txt
```

Find

The Linux Find Command is one of the most important and much used command in Linux systems.

Find command used to search and locate list of files and directories based on conditions you specify for files that match the arguments.

Find can be used in variety of conditions like you can find files by permissions, users, groups, file type, date, size and other possible criteria

1. Find files under Home directory

```
#find /home -name shub.txt
```

2. Find files with suid permission

```
#find / -perm 4755
```

3. Find files with guid permission

```
#find / -perm 2644
```

4. Find files with sticky bit permission

```
#find / -perm 1755
```

5. Using Find command based on users

```
#find / -user root
```

6. Using Find command based on groups

```
#find / -group shubgrp
```

7. Search the file with less than 10MB in a folder

```
#find /tmp -size -10M
```

8. Search the file with more than 10MB in a folder

```
#find /tmp -size +10M
```

WC (Word Count)

- The wc command is use for the count word and line numbers.

1. Count number of lines

```
#wc -l /etc/passwd
```

2. Count number of words

```
#wc -w /etc/passwd
```

head

- Head command is used for to display top line of the file.

1. Display top 10 line of the file

```
#head /etc/passwd
```

2. Display top specific no line of the file

```
#head -n 15 /etc/passwd
```

tail

- Tail command is used for to display the bottom line of the file.

1. Display bottom 10 line of the file

```
#tail /etc/passwd
```

2. Display bottom specific line of the file

```
#tail -n 5 /etc/passwd
```

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Archive File in Linux

- Archiving is the process of combining multiple files and directories (same or different sizes) into one file. Archive process is very useful for backup and compression size of data in Linux.

What is Tar

- The Linux “tar” stands for tape archive, which is used by large number of Linux/Unix system administrators to compress size or drives backup.
For create archive tar used some compression algorithms Such as gzip,bz2 and xz

Tar command syntax

```
#tar <options> <files>
```

Commonly used options

c -for create

x -for extract

v -for verbose

f -for forcefully

t -for test

z -for gzip

j -for bz2

J -for xz
C -for specific destination

For create a tar archive file

```
# tar -cvf /mnt/backup.tar /var
```

For show file size in human readable formate

```
#du -sh /var  
#du -sh /mnt/backup.tar
```

For extract a tar archive file on default location

```
#tar -xvf /mnt/backup.tar
```

For extract a tar archive file on specific location

```
#tar -xvf /mnt/backup.tar -C /root/Desktop/
```

For create a tar archive file with compress in size (gzip)

```
# tar -cvzf /mnt/backup.tar.gz /var
```

For extract a tar archive file with compress in size (gzip)

```
#tar -xvzf /mnt/backup.tar.gz
```

For create a tar archive file with compress in size (bzip2/bz2)

```
# tar -cvjf /mnt/backup.tar.bz2 /var
```

For extract a tar archive file with compress in size (bzip2/bz2)

```
#tar -xvjf /mnt/backup.tar.bz2
```

For create a tar archive file with compress in size (xz)

```
# tar -cvJf /mnt/backup.tar.xz /var
```

For extract a tar archive file with compress in size (xz)

```
#tar -xvJf /mnt/backup.tar.xz
```


Job Automation

- Job automation allow us perform task automatically in OS by using tools.
- This feature is very useful for administrator to assign task to OS whenever he is not present or perform daily basis work.

Two type of job automation

1. at—at command is used to execute job only one time.
2. crontab—Crontab command is use for to execute job multiple time.

For set job with at command

#date

#at 8:10 AM

at>useradd shub

at>

Ctrl+d (write & quit)

For show pending at job

#atq

For remove at job

#atrm 2

For restrict user from accessing at

#vim /etc/at.deny

Shub (add here user name)

:wq (write&quit)

For start crond service

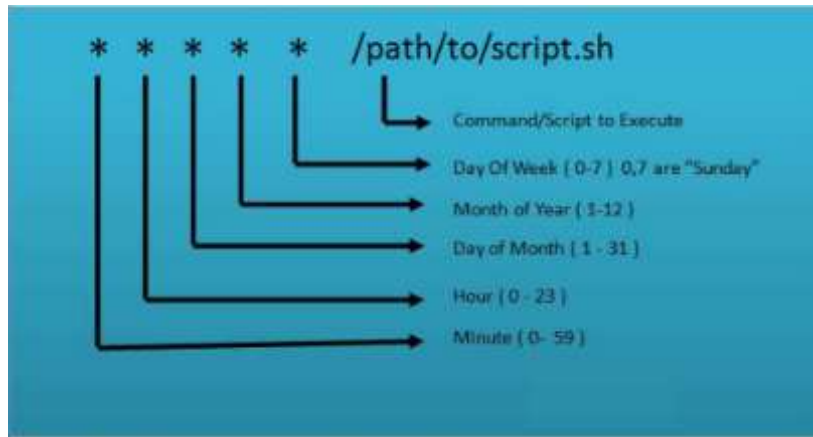
systemctl start crond

For enable crond service (Permanent on)

```
# systemctl enable crond
```

For set cron jobs

```
#crontab -e
```



For show cron jobs of current user

```
# crontab -l
```

For remove cron jobs

```
# crontab -r
```

Or

Go to the crontab file and remove job line

```
#crontab -e
```

For set cron job to other user

```
# crontab -u shub -e
```

For show cron job other user

```
# crontab -u shub -l
```

For restrict user from crond service

```
#vim /etc/cron.deny
```

For check crontab log file

```
#tail -f /var/log/cron
```

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Sudo Command

What is sudo?

- sudo (“superuser do”, or “switch user do”) allows a user with proper permissions to execute a command as another user, such as the superuser.
- sudo allows a permitted user to execute a command as another user, according to specifications in the `/etc/sudoers` file.

Provide sudo privilege to user

For edit configuration file:

```
# vim /etc/sudoers
```

```
root ALL=(ALL) ALL
```

```
amir ALL=(ALL) ALL (add this line approx. 101 line)
```

```
:wq
```

Provide sudo privilege to group

For edit configuration file:

```
# vim /etc/sudoers
```

```
%punegrp ALL=(ALL) ALL (line number 108)
```

```
:wq
```

By default all member of punegrp group got sudo privileges

Wheel group

Wheel is a system group which by default have sudo privileges, if we add any member in that group then that user got sudo privilege

```
#grep wheel /etc/group
```

```
#useradd shub
```

```
#passwd shub
```

```
#gpasswd -a shub wheel
```

By default all member of wheel group got sudo privileges

Sudo without password

For edit configuration file:

```
# vim /etc/sudoers
```

```
amir ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: ALL
%punegrp ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: ALL
:wq
```

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Managing networking based on Red Hat Enterprise Linux

For show ip address

```
#ifconfig
```

Or

```
#ip addr
```

Configure networking with nmcli

Network Manager is a daemon that monitor and manages network settings.

nmcli command used to manage networking

Manage IP configuration

For Show all list of connection

```
#nmcli con show
```

For show active connection

```
#nmcli con show --active
```

For show specific connection

```
#nmcli con show "citynet"
```

For show device status

```
#nmcli dev status
```

For create new connection with nmcli

```
#nmcli con add con-name "citynet" ifname ens33 type ethernet  
ipv4.add 192.168.0.2/24 gw4 192.168.0.1 ip4.dns 192.168.0.1  
connection.autoconnect yes ipv4.method manual
```

For modify connection to add dns

```
#nmcli con mod "citynet" ipv4.add 192.168.0.100  
#nmcli con mod "citynet" gw4 192.168.0.254  
#nmcli con mod "citynet" ipv4.dns 192.168.0.254
```

```
#nmcli con down citynet  
#nmcli con up citynet
```

```
#nmcli con show-active  
#nmcli con show citynet
```

For activate new connection

```
#nmcli con up "citynet"
```

```
#nmcli con show-active
```

For deactivate connection

```
#nmcli con down citynet
```

For start new connection and stop old connection

```
#nmcli connection modify "citynet" connection.autoconnect no
```

```
#nmcli connection modify "pune" connection.autoconnect yes
```

For remove existing connection

```
#nmcli con delete citynet
```

For set hostname

```
#hostnamectl set-hostname it.citynet.com
```

For show hostname

```
#hostname
```

Configuring networking with nmtui

```
#nmtui
```

IP address configuration files

All created connections with nmcli and nmtui by default store in following file

```
#cd /etc/NetworkManager/system-connections/  
#ls
```

Note:

We can also modify connection using above connection file, but it not recommended.

If update file, restart NetworkManager service to update ip-configuration

```
#systemctl restart NetworkManager
```