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Linux Delete Folder

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How do I delete folders under Linux operating systems?

You can the folder or directory, if they are empty using the following rmdir command.

Syntax



[1]

```
mdir foldername
rmdir dirname
rmdir /path/to/folder
rmdir /path/to/directory
```

Example

In this example, delete the directory called /tmp/letters

```
mdir /tmp/letters
```

Task: Remove DIRECTORY and Its Ancestors

The -p option can delete directory and its subdirectories:

```
mdir -p dir1/dir2/dir3
```

Task: Delete All Files and Folders Including Subdirectories

Use the following syntax:

```
m -rf /path/to/di
```

For example, delete /home/vivek/docs and all its subdirectories including file, enter:

```
m -rf /home/vivek/docs
ls -l /home/vivek/docs
```

GUI File Manager

The Nautilus file manager (GNOME desktop) provides a simple and integrated way to manage your files and applications. Just open it from Places menu and select folder and hit delete key.

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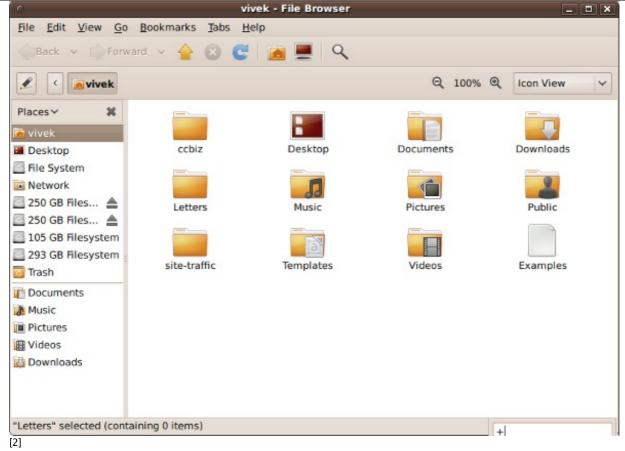


Fig.01: Gnome File Browser

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