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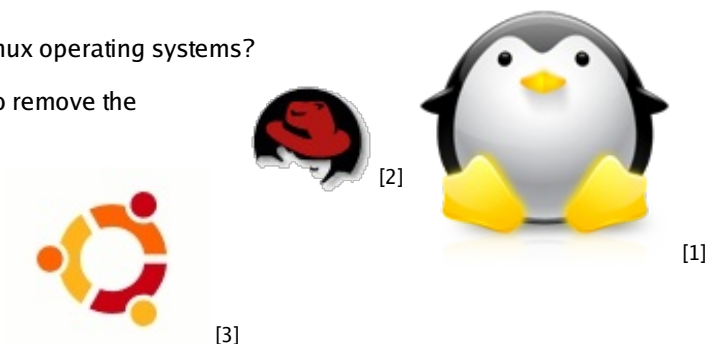
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How do I uninstall or delete installed software under Linux operating systems?

Different Linux distributions comes with different tools to remove the software installed under Linux.

First, open terminal (bash prompt).

You must be login as root user to run any one of the following command.



Remove Software under Red Hat / RHEL / Fedora / CentOS Linux

Use rpm or yum command to delete the software.

To list the installed software type

```
rpm -qa | less
rpm -qa {software-name}
yum list | less
yum list {software-name}
```

To get information about httpd package, enter:

```
rpm -qa httpd
yum list httpd
```

To remove a software use rpm or yum command as follows

```
rpm -e {software-name}
yum remove {software-name}
```

To delete a package called httpd, enter:

```
rpm -e httpd
yum remove httpd
```

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To list installed software type:

```
dpkg --get-selections
dpkg --get-selections | less
dpkg --get-selections | grep apache
```

To delete the software, enter:

```
sudo apt-get remove {package-name}
sudo apt-get remove apache
```

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