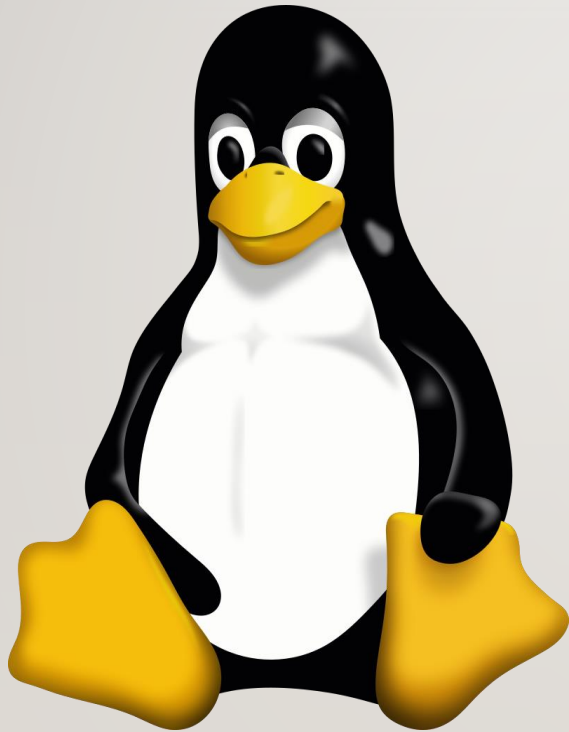



# Introduction to Linux & Basic Commands

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ls          # Lists files and directories in the current directory
ls -l       # Long listing, shows file permissions, owner, size, and modification time
ls -a       # Show hidden files (those that start with a dot)
ls -lh      # Human-readable file sizes
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- `cd` (Change directory):


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```
cd /home/user/Documents  # Navigate to the Documents folder
cd ..                    # Move one level up in the directory structure
cd ~                     # Go to the home directory
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- `pwd` (Print working directory):

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- `mkdir` (Make directory):


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```
mkdir new_folder      # Create a directory named "new_folder"  
mkdir -p project/data # Create directories including any necessary parent dire
```

- `cp` (Copy files):


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```
cp file.txt backup.txt # Copy file.txt to backup.txt  
cp -r folder/ new_folder/ # Copy the contents of a directory recursively
```

- `mv` (Move or rename files):


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```
mv file.txt new_file.txt      # Rename a file
mv file.txt /path/to/dir      # Move file to another directory
```

- `rm` (Remove files or directories):

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```
rm file.txt                  # Remove a file
rm -r directory/             # Remove a directory and its contents
rm -i file.txt               # Prompt before removal
```



### 3. File Permissions:

- `chmod` (Change file mode bits):

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chmod 755 script.sh    # Set read, write, execute for the owner; read and execute for others  
chmod u+x script.sh    # Add execute permission for the user
```


- `chown` (Change file ownership):

```
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sudo chown user:group file.txt  # Change the owner and group of a file
```

#### 4. Text Editors:

- Nano:


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nano filename.txt      # Open a file in Nano editor
Ctrl+X                 # Exit Nano
```

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# Key Topics & Commands:

## 1. Viewing and Editing Files:

- `cat` (Concatenate files and print to standard output):


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```
cat file.txt          # Print file contents to the terminal
cat file1.txt file2.txt # Concatenate multiple files and print them
```

- `less` (View file content page by page):

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```
less large_file.txt    # View large file one page at a time
```



- `head` and `tail` (View the beginning and end of files):

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```
head -n 10 file.txt      # View the first 10 lines of the file
tail -n 20 file.txt      # View the last 20 lines of the file
```

## 4. Data Filtering & Processing:

- `grep` (Global Regular Expression Print):

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```
grep "error" logfile.txt  # Find lines containing "error" in a log file
grep -i "error" logfile.txt # Case-insensitive search for "error"
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- `awk` (Text processing language):


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```
awk '{print $1, $3}' data.csv  # Print the 1st and 3rd columns from a CSV file
awk -F"," '{print $2}' data.csv # Specify comma as the field separator
```

- `sed` (Stream editor):

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
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```
sed 's/error/success/g' logfile.txt  # Replace "error" with "success" globally i
```

#### 4. Downloading Files:

- `wget` :


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```
wget http://example.com/data.csv # Download a file from the internet
```

- `curl` :

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```
curl -O http://example.com/data.csv # Download a file with curl
```

## 1. Process Management:

- `ps` (Process status):

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ps aux
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```
# View all running processes
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- `top` (Real-time system monitoring):

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top
```

```
# Display real-time CPU and memory usage
```



- `kill` (Terminate a process):

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```
kill 1234                # Terminate a process with PID 1234
```

## Task Scheduling with `cron`:

- `crontab` (Schedule jobs):

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```
crontab -e                # Edit cron jobs
# Add this line to schedule a script every day at 6 AM:
0 6 * * * /path/to/script.sh
```