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touch → creates new file

cd → change directory

cat → reads file

grep → search

ls → lists all files in directory

find → find files

grep [to-search] filename.

ls -a for hidden files

find path -name {~~name~~^{to-search}}
filter

→ link files with

Symlink } ln -s [arg-file-path] [link^{to}-path]
funcⁿ

'man' → Gives data about usage of funcⁿ { man cat }

↳ press 'q' to quit

↳ Search with '/' Search backwards with '?'

↳ G → next result, N → prev. result

↳ man -k [keyword] & searches for manuals

• Some programs don't have manpage but description maybe given if we use --help, -help, -h, -?, help depending on program.

• for builtins we use 'help [Built in]'



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Practicing Piping

echo hi \rightarrow asdf \rightarrow default \rightarrow FD no.
 \hookrightarrow writes hi in a file asdf.

aggregate \rightarrow run a bunch of commands.

\rightarrow ' >> ' will append

• File Descriptor (FD): no. that describes a communication channel in Linux.

FD: 0 \rightarrow standard i/p

" 1 \rightarrow " o/p

" 2 \rightarrow " error

some_command > output.log 2> error.log

es command will redirect o/p to output.log & errors to error.log

' < ' \rightarrow redirects i/p

' | ' \rightarrow std o/p from left of operator will be piped into
pipe
operator std i/p of the command to the right.



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'>' → redirects a file descriptor (fd) to another fd.

→ eg `2 > &1` ⇒ redirects stderr to stdout

tee → dups data flowing through pipe to any no. of files

echo hi | tee ~~file1~~ file2 file3. file n.

Note

• /challenge/hack is a command, but if you want to pass it as a file use `> (/challenge/hack)`
↳ useful in ~~tee~~ tee as it only takes files as arguments

- \$ should be prepended to variable (echo \$VAR, ~~echo~~ VAR)
- variable = value NO SPACES IN BW
- for multiple words use "" ("for example")

'sh' → makes child shell

↳ Won't be able to access some variables as the main shell

↳ To access we have to export variable

export VAR=53

env → Prints out every exported variable set in your shell.

→ "Command Subst": Allow to capture o/p of any command as an argument to another command.

eg: `Flag = $(cat /flag)`
echo "\$Flag"
- o/p at



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read variable-to-store-in → inputs

read -p "prompt" → prompts a message before t/p

Eg: read -p "Name: " NAME

o/p → Name: Butcher

→ echo "test" > some-file

o/p of echo → file

read VAR < some-file file data → VAR

read into

Processes & Jobs

ps → process snapshot / status, & lists processes.

PID → Process ID (A Numerical Identifier)

Time → total ^{cpu} time the process has eaten

↳ a no. that uniquely identifies every running process in a linux environment.

TTY → terminal on which the commands are running

ps -ef

-e → lists every process

-f → full format o/p

→ Standard Syntax

ps aux

a → list processes for all users

u → " that aren't running in a terminal

x → for user-readable o/p

→ BSD Syntax



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STIME \rightarrow Start time of process

PPID \rightarrow PID of parent process

kill PID \rightarrow kills process with that PID

• When a process clogs up the terminal (eg. by an application waiting for i/p) use `ctrl+c` to interrupt.

• `Ctrl+z` suspends program

• `fg` resumes program in foreground

• `bg` suspend background

• When you ~~put~~ a process its status `ps -o` becomes T. (suspended due to `Ctrl+z`)

S \rightarrow process is sleeping while waiting for i/p

R \rightarrow actively running

R+ \rightarrow " in foreground

process $\&$ \rightarrow starts process in bg.

\therefore Perceiving Permissions

`ls-l` \rightarrow shows permissions of files/directories

\hookrightarrow '-' represents normal file \hookrightarrow character device.

$\&$ d " directory

`chown` \rightarrow change Owner `chgrp` \rightarrow change Group { need write access for file membership in that group }

`chown [username] [file]`



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- in `ls-l`, 1st character \rightarrow file type
- next 3 " " \rightarrow permissions for owner
- " " \rightarrow " " group
- " " \rightarrow all other users access

Each char of the three representation permission of a diff type.

- r - user/grp/other can read file/dir
- w - " modify file ^{or} create/delete files in dir
- x - " execute the file as a program/can enter dir
- - nothing

- Eg: `rw-r--r--` diodes,
- r - user that owns the file can read it
 - w - " write to it
 - - " cannot execute it
 - r - users in the grp that owns the file can read it
 - - " cannot write to it
 - - " cannot execute it
 - r - All other users can read it
 - - " cannot write to it
 - - " cannot execute it

`chmod` \rightarrow change mode (to change file perm)

`lschmod [OPTIONS] MODE {FILE}` Eg: `chmod u+r /flag`

Options allow to break perms with the mode format

who +/- what



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Eg: $u+r \rightarrow$ adds read access to users perm.

$a-rwx \rightarrow$ removes all permissions for users/groups/world

$[u, g, o, a] \pm [r, w, x]$

• You need write access to file to change perm.

\rightarrow Permission Setting

$u=rw \rightarrow$ sets read & write perm for user & write executable perm

$o=x \rightarrow$ sets only execute perm

• For multiple

$u=rw, g=r$

• Zero out perms by

$u=rw, g=r, o=x$

• Set User ID (SUID) allows user to run a program as the owner of that program's file.

$-rwsr-xr-x \rightarrow$ The s part in executable bit means that the program is executable with SUID.

\rightarrow The program will execute as the owner user.

WARNING: giving SUID bit to an executable owned by root can give attackers a possible attack vector to become root.



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`/etc/passwd` → Gives full list of users. ^{↳ initially readable}
`/etc/shadow` → new, same as `/etc/passwd` ^{↳ 1st field is username, 2nd is password}
`su` → switch User ^{↳ * / ! means password login is disabled}
^{↳ blank → no password}

`john [dir/file]` → decrypts password!

`sudo` → uses policies to determine user's authorization rather than password.

`;` → helps chain commands.

• Use '.sh' files to store a list of commands in a file to execute at once.

↳ To execute `bash x.sh`

↳ You can pipe 'l' these scripts to other commands

↳ Nano is a text editor in terminal

→ You can execute without bash if you make the file executable

`PATH` → Stores a bunch of dir's.

`PATH=""` → deletes all dir's

• if you add a script to `PATH` it can be launched with bare name (w/o whole path `./.../script`).

`PATH=dir of script`



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$$PATH = \$PATH:(dir)$$

is append

~~\$~~ if its current dir

$$PATH = (dir): \$PATH \rightarrow \text{prepends}$$