Linux Beginner Guide

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Introduction

In this guide, I assume that followings are already installed:

- 10 Ubuntu 16.04.2 or Higher
- 2 ZSH 5.0.2 or Higher
- VIM 8.1 or Higher
- We will connect to server via SSH

With this guide, you can use and understand Linux system.

Also, this guide includes as little information about operating system as possible. If you find some fault in the strict sense of the word, that means you are not **beginner**.

Overview

Linux?

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Linux?



Figure: Linus Torvalds, Inventor of Linux

Linux is one of the most famous OS as Windows and macOS. Linux is open-source project.

Android, OS for mobile, is based on Linux.

Ubuntu?



Figure: Logo of Ubuntu

Ubuntu is an OS which is based on Linux. Ubuntu is the best OS in Linux-like OS, because of convenience of its installation and usage.

Where we start

```
$ s.th fumire@192.168.
fumire@192.168.0.80's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-1032-raspi2 armv7l)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support: https://lubuntu.com/advantage

8 packages can be updated.
8 updates are security updates.
Last login: Sun Jan 5 03:49:29 2020 from 192.168.
fumire@fumire-raspberry:-$
```

Figure: Here is where we start

After you connect to server via SSH, you can see like this.

Here is where we start!

fumire will be user name, and fumire-raspberry will be server name.

pwd

```
fumire@fumire-raspberry:~$ pwd
/home/fumire
```

Figure: Result of pwd Command

pwd is abbr. of "Print Working Directory". You can see where you are with pwd command. Also, "/home/username" is your home folder, a.k.a. ' \sim '.

```
fumire@fumire-raspberry:-$ ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public snap Templates Videos
```

Figure: Result of Is Command

Is stands for "List".

Is command lists current directory contents.

If current directory is empty, the result will be nothing.

Configuration

However, you have not completed configuration. Therefore, finish settings with following command:

Example

- \$ git clone https://github.com/Fumire/.dotfiles.git
- \$ cd .dotfiles
- \$ make
- \$ chsh -s /usr/bin/zsh

Note that you should input command only after '\$'.

After executing commands, you should restart your shell.

Configuration (Cont.)

```
$ ssh fumire@192.168.
fumire@192.168.0.69's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-1032-raspi2 armv7l)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

409 packages can be updated.
238 updates are security updates.
Last login: Sun Jan 5 04:36:48 2020 from 192.168.

04:39:57 fumire@fumire-raspberry ~
```

Figure: ZSH

With successful configuration, you can see like this.

Tip!

Figure: Right Command vs. Wrong Command

You can easily know this command is right with ZSH as figure.

mkdir

mkdir stands for "Make Directory".

You can make a directory which named 'test' as following:

Example

\$ mkdir test

or

\$ md test

mkdir returns nothing. Literally, *mkdir* command only make directory. You can check that the directory has been made with *ls* command.

cd

cd is abbr. of "Change Directory".

You can change your working directory to 'test' as following:

Example

\$ pwd

\$ cd test

\$ pwd

Also, you can go your home folder at once with *cd*, no matter where you are.

```
05:01:20 fumire@fumire-raspberry ~/test

cd

05:01:23 fumire@fumire-raspberry ~

pwd
/home/fumire
```

Figure: cd will guide you to home folder

man and --help

You can get detailed information about command as following:

Example

\$ man Is and/or

\$ ls --help

This guide will give simple information about Linux command. Hence, when you have curiosity about command, use these command.

Directory Structure

Try following commands:

Example

\$ cd test

\$ ls -al

Then, you can see like this:

```
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```

Figure: Result of Is command

All directory has '.' and '..', even though the directory is empty. '.' means current directory itself; and, '..' means parent directory.

touch

touch command make new file or touch the file.

Try following example:

Example

\$ cd

\$ touch t

\$ Is

Then, you can see that the file which name 't' has been made.



Figure: Result of touch Command

mv command moves/renames file. mv is used as:

Example

\$ mv SRC(source) DST(destination)

Try following commands:

Example

\$ mv t tmp

\$ Is

\$ mv tmp test/

\$ Is

Then, you will realize that the file 'tmp' is gone. I hope that you already know where the file goes. :)

cp command copies SRC to DST. cp is used as:

Example

\$ cp SRC DST

Try following commands:

Example

 $d \sim /test/$

\$ ls

\$ cp tmp tmp2

\$ Is

Then, you can realize that a new file 'tmp2' has been made.

sudo

sudo is abbr. of "Substitute User do"; but, many people know as "Super User do".

sudo allows a system administrator to delegate authority to give certain user the ability to run some command as another user.

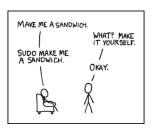


Figure: XKCD: Sandwich

THINK what will happen after sudo command!!

Editor

There are three major editors in Linux.

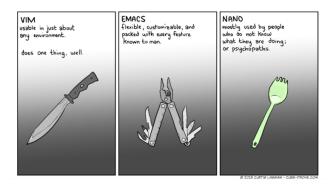


Figure: Descriptions of Editor

For this reason, this guide use VIM editor.

Editor Cont.

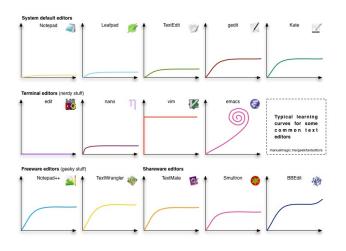


Figure: Learning Curves among Editors

First Meet with VIM

With these commands, you can make/edit file.

Example

\$ vi tmp

If it is first time to open VIM, then you will see like this.

```
vim-game-code-break: Installing ...
php.vin: Installing .. vim-repeat: Installing
vim-tmux: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugged/vi
nerdtree: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugged/ne
vim-fugitive: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/olugge
SingleCompile: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugg
ctrlp.vim: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugged/e
tagbar: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugged/tagb
scratch.vim: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugger
vim-surround: remote: Total 32 (delta 7), reused 28 syntastic: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plugged/s
vim-javascript: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vim/plug
vim-autoformat: Cloning into '/home/fumire/.vin/plug
vim-gitgutter: remote: Compressing objects: 188% (26
 rim-bufferline: remote: Total 32 (delta 5), reused 1
 vim-airline: remote: Compressing objects: 188% (688)
     otree: Resolving deltas: 188% (32/32), done
 sv.vin: remote: Total 44 (delta 16), reused 18 (de
                                                                                                                                [No Name]
```

Figure: First Time of VIM

Modes of VIM

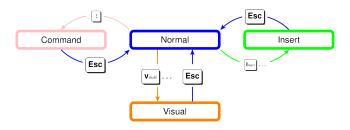


Figure: Three Modes in VIM

How to Edit with VIM

Editing with VIM is following such steps:

- Press 'i'
- Edit the file
- Press 'ESC'
- Enter ':w' which means write
- 5 Enter ':q' wihch means quit

Plugin Setting (Optional)

You might see the error message because the plugin setting is not completed. To solve this, use following commands:

Example

 $cd \sim /.vim/plugged/tabnine-vim/$

\$ python3 install.py

Then, all plugin acts properly without errors.