

Topic 1: Introduction to Linux OS & File System

What is Linux?

Linux is an open-source, Unix-like operating system used extensively in servers, cloud computing, DevOps pipelines, and containers. It's preferred in DevOps for its stability, scripting power, and community support.

Key Concepts

- **Distributions (Distros):** Ubuntu, CentOS, RHEL, Debian, Alpine

Linux Boot Process:

BIOS → GRUB → Kernel → init/systemd → Shell → User

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Linux File System Structure

- `/` – Root directory (everything starts here)
- `/bin` – Essential binary executables (e.g., `ls`, `cp`)
- `/etc` – Configuration files
- `/home` – User directories
- `/var` – Logs, mail, spool
- `/dev` – Device files
- `/proc` – Kernel and process info (virtual filesystem)

File Permissions

- View with: `ls -l`

Modify with:

```
chmod 755 file.sh
chown user:group file.sh
```

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File Links

- Hard Link: `ln file1 file2`
- Soft Link (Symlink): `ln -s file1 file2`



Topic 2: Essential Linux Commands for DevOps

Navigation & File Handling

```
cd /var/log      # Change directory
pwd              # Print working directory
ls -la           # List files with permissions
touch file.txt   # Create a file
cat file.txt     # Display contents
cp file1 file2   # Copy
mv file1 file2   # Move
rm file.txt      # Delete
```

Process & Memory Management

```
ps aux           # View processes
```

```
top                # Real-time system monitor
free -m           # Memory usage
df -h             # Disk usage
kill -9 <PID>     # Kill process
```

Networking Tools

```
ping google.com
curl https://example.com
wget http://file.com/file.txt
netstat -tuln
```

Package Management

- Ubuntu/Debian: `apt`, `dpkg`
 - RHEL/CentOS: `yum`, `dnf`, `rpm`
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Topic 3: Shell Environment and Scripting Basics

What is a Shell?

Shell is the command interpreter; (Bourne Again Shell) is the most used shell in Linux systems.

Environment Variables

```
echo $USER
echo $PATH
```

Script Structure

```
#!/bin/  
echo "Hello $USER"
```

Variables & User Input

```
name="DevOps"  
echo $name
```

```
read -p "Enter your name: " username  
echo "Hello $username"
```

Aliases

Define shortcuts in `~/.rc`:

```
alias ll='ls -la'
```



Topic 4: Conditional Statements and Loops

If-Else Condition

```
if [ "$USER" == "root" ]; then  
    echo "Welcome root"  
else  
    echo "You are $USER"  
fi
```

For Loop

```
for i in {1..5}
```

```
do
  echo "Number $i"
done
```

While Loop

```
count=1
while [ $count -le 5 ]
do
  echo "Count: $count"
  ((count++))
done
```

Topic 5: Functions, Arguments, and Exit Status

Function

```
greet() {
  echo "Hello $1"
}
greet DevOps
```

Script Arguments

```
echo "Script Name: $0"
echo "First Arg: $1"
echo "All Args: $@"
```

Exit Status

```
exit 0      # Success
exit 1      # Failure
echo $?     # Returns exit status of last command
```

Use Case: File Exists Check

```
if [ -f "$1" ]; then
    echo "File Exists"
else
    echo "File Not Found"
    exit 1
fi
```

Topic 6: Working with Files, Archives, and Processes

Compression & Archiving

```
tar -cvf archive.tar /dir
gzip file.txt
zip files.zip *.txt
```

Searching

```
find /var/log -name "*.log"
grep "ERROR" /var/log/syslog
```

Background Jobs

```
sleep 60 &      # Run in background
jobs            # List background jobs
```

```
fg %1          # Bring to foreground
kill %1        # Kill background job
```

Cron Jobs

```
crontab -e
# Run script every day at midnight
0 0 * * * /path/to/script.sh
```

Topic 7: Real-Time DevOps Shell Script Use Cases

Log File Cleanup

```
find /var/log -name "*.log" -mtime +7 -exec gzip {} \;
```

Disk Usage Alert

```
disk_usage=$(df / | awk 'NR==2 {print $5}' | sed 's/%//')
if [ "$disk_usage" -gt 80 ]; then
    echo "Disk usage alert: $disk_usage%"
fi
```

Nginx Service Health Check

```
if ! systemctl is-active --quiet nginx; then
    echo "Restarting Nginx..."
    systemctl start nginx
fi
```