

Linux Command Summary

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File Commands

1. `ls` Directory listing
2. `ls -al` Formatted listing with hidden files
3. `ls -lt` Sort formatted listing by time modification
4. `cd dir` Change directory to `dir`
5. `cd` Change to home directory
6. `pwd` Show current working directory
7. `mkdir dir` Create directory `dir`
8. `cat > file` Place standard input into file
9. `more file` Output contents of file
10. `head file` Output the first 10 lines
11. `tail file` Output the last 10 lines
12. `tail -f file` Output file as it grows
13. `touch file` Create or update file
14. `rm file` Delete file
15. `rm -r dir` Delete directory
16. `rm -f file` Force remove file
17. `rm -rf dir` Force remove directory
18. `cp file1 file2` Copy file1 to file2
19. `cp -r dir1 dir2` Copy directory recursively

Process Management

1. `ps` Display current processes
2. `top` Display all running processes
3. `kill pid` Kill process with given PID
4. `killall proc` Kill all processes named `proc`
5. `pkill pattern` Kill processes matching pattern
6. `bg` List/resume background jobs
7. `fg` Bring most recent job to foreground
8. `fg n` Bring job `n` to foreground

System Information

1. `date` Show current date/time
2. `cal` Show calendar
3. `uptime` Show system uptime
4. `w` Show who is logged in
5. `whoami` Show current user
6. `finger user` User information
7. `uname -a` Kernel information
8. `cat /proc/cpuinfo` CPU info
9. `cat /proc/meminfo` Memory info
10. `man command` Manual page
11. `df` Disk usage
12. `du` Directory space usage
13. `free` Memory and swap usage
14. `whereis app` Show possible locations of app
15. `which app` Show default application path

Searching

1. `grep pattern file` Search for pattern in file
2. `grep -r pattern dir` Recursive search
3. `command grep pattern|` Search pattern in command output
4. `locate file` Find all instances of file
5. `find . -name filename` Search files in current directory
6. `pgrep pattern` Search for processes by pattern

File Permission

`chmod octal file` Change file permission.

Octal values:

- 4 = read (r)
- 2 = write (w)
- 1 = execute (x)

Compression

1. `tar cf file.tar file` Create tar
2. `tar xf file.tar` Extract tar
3. `tar czf file.tar.gz files` Create tar with gzip
4. `tar xzf file.tar.gz` Extract tar with gzip
5. `tar cjf file.tar.bz2` Create tar with bzip2
6. `tar xjf file.tar.bz2` Extract tar with bzip2
7. `gzip file` Compress file
8. `gzip -d file.gz` Decompress file

Networking

1. `ping host` Ping host
2. `whois domain` Whois info
3. `dig domain` DNS info
4. `dig -x host` Reverse DNS lookup
5. `wget file` Download file
6. `wget -c file` Resume download

Shortcuts

1. `Ctrl+c` Halt command
2. `Ctrl+z` Stop command (resume with `fg/bg`)
3. `Ctrl+d` Logout current session
4. `Ctrl+w` Erase one word
5. `Ctrl+u` Erase whole line
6. `Ctrl+r` Search recent command
7. `!!` Repeat last command
8. `exit` Logout current session