LINUX 作業系統實務 06. Command Basics

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All are files!

- UNIX commands are disk files: lowercase, < 4 letters (copy can be short-formed to cp, but grep can't)
- No extensions (like .exe, .com, etc.)
- Java and C programs need to have .c and .java extensions but shell and Perl scripts don't need.
- The shell command is invoked all the way since you log in.

External and internal commands

External commands: exist on disk as files

Internal commands: built into the shell executable, like the cd command.

PATH – an environment variable

\$ echo \$PATH /bin:/usr/bin:/usr/ucb:usr/xpg4/bin:.

- A list of colon-delimited directories.
- Notice the red dot above, it represents the current directory.
- When a command is entered, the shell looks in each of these directories to locate the file with that name.

\$ netscape

bash: netscape: not found

(The Bash shell prints this error message, after failing to locate the file.)

How to fix the command file not found error

- Fix the PATH value to include that directory.
- Use a pathname when call that command (e.g. /usr/local/bin/netscape).
- Switch to that directory and call the command.

Note:

- Windows use; as delimiter for the PATH variable.
- Why shall we put the . (current directory) at the end of PATH?
 - Execute system command first if you have named duplicate command.
 - You can use ./cat if you want to run your own cat.

Where are the system commands?

- General UNIX commands: /bin and /usr/bin
- Graphical output commands: usr/X11R6/bin or /usr/dt/bin
- System administration commands: /sbin and usr/sbin

Note:

• How to find the location of commands: which, whereis and type.

\$ which grep
/usr/bin/grep

\$ whereis Is Is: /usr/bin/Is /usr/ucb/Is For shell command:

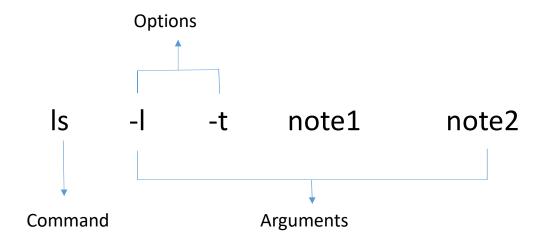
\$ which echo

/usr/bin/echo (not very true since there is no echo file)

\$ type echo

Echo is a shell builtin

Structure of UNIX command



- Separated by space(s)
- Never create a filename that begins with a hyphen (-)
- Expanded options in Linux: double hyphen (--classify)

Some hints

- "Is -I -a -t" can be written as: "Is -lat" or "Is -tal"
- Can enter multiple commands on the same line:
 - who; Is note
 - Later commands no need to wait for the earlier commands to finish
- Can separate a long command into several lines (if there is unmatched quote or parenthesis:

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Shell: $ echo "This is [Enter]
    a three-line[Enter]
    Text message" [Enter]
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C shell: % echo "This is\ [Enter]
? a three-line\[Enter]
?Text message" [Enter]

Can interrupt this process with [Ctrl-c] or [Ctrl-u]

man: On-Line Help

- To view the manual page of the wc command, use man with wc as argument:
 - man wc
- This command sends the manual as output to a pager program.
- 'f' or spacebar to advance by one screen.
- 'b' moves back one screen.
- /searchword[Enter] to search, repeat the search by pressing 'n'.
- Press 'q' to quit this pager.

More options for the command man

• man -k

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Searches the NAME section of all man pages that containing this keyword E.g. $ man -k cron cron -cron (1m) -clock daemon crontab crontab(1) -user crontab file queuedefs queuedefs (4) -queue description file for at, batch, and cron
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• man –f grep

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Displays a one-line header from the NAME section. grep grep(1) -search a file for a pattern
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man 4 passwd

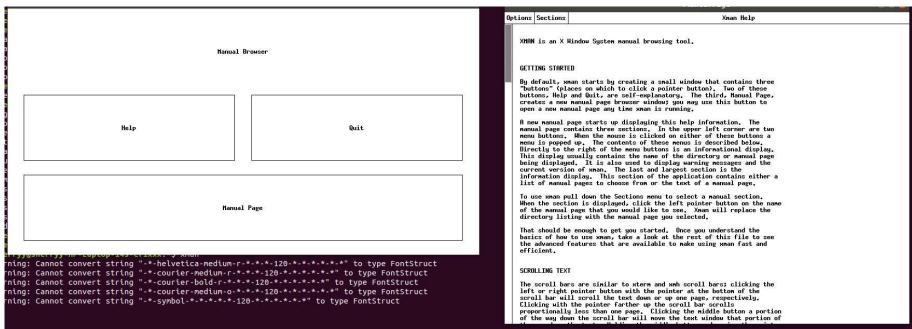
Display the command manual in section 4

Organization of the man documentation

Section	Subject (Solaris)	Subject (Linux)
1	User programs	User programs
2	Kernel's system calls	Kernel's system calls
3	Library functions	Library functions
4	Administrative file formats	Special files (in /dev)
5	Miscellaneous	Administrative file formats
6	Games	Games
7	Special files (in /dev)	Macro packages and conventions
8	Administration commands	Administration commands

xman in X Window system

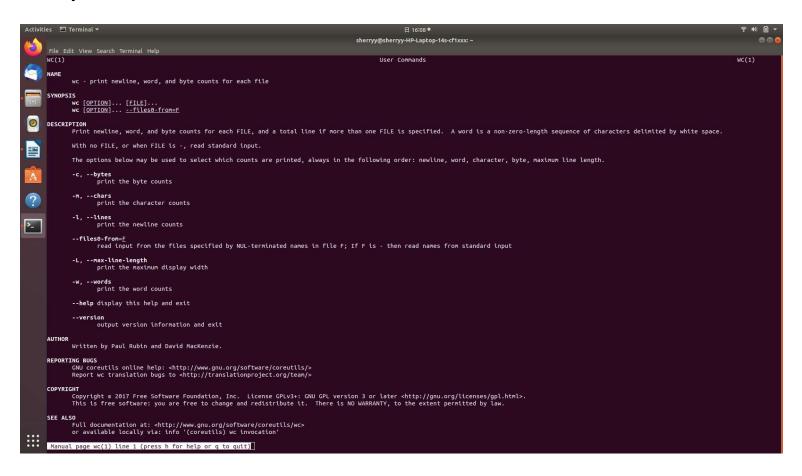
A graphic client to view man pages, just use it in any terminal window.



Man page sections

- NAME: a one-line introduction to the command
- SYNOPSIS: shows the syntax used by the command
 - If a command argument is enclosed in [..], then it is optional, otherwise it is required.
 - The elliptis (...) implies that there can be more instances of the preceding word. E.g. wc can be used with more than one filename as argument.
 - A pipe (|) character means that only one of the options shown on either side of the pipe can be used. E.g. only one of the options, -c, -m and -C, can be used.
- DESCRIPTION: provides a detailed description
- EXIT STATUS: lists possible error conditions and their numeric representation (useful for writing shell scripts and C programs).

Sample: wc command



Only man can understand man

Set the pager used by man:

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PAGER=less; export PAGER

Set this shell variable and export it before you run man. (only valid for this session)

man wc
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• Evaluate the value of PAGER:

echo \$PAGER

Manual page man(1) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)

Other help resources

Info

It is GNU's info reader for browsing Texinfo documentation.

It is of tree nodes structure, use the [Tab] key to move to a node and hit [Enter]

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File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Next: Introduction, Up: (dir)
'grep' prints lines that contain a match for a pattern.
   This manual is for version 3.1 of GNU Grep.
   This manual is for 'grep', a pattern matching engine.
   Copyright @ 1999-2002, 2005, 2008-2017 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
     Permission is granted to copy, distribute and/or modify this
     document under the terms of the GNU Free Documentation License,
     Version 1.3 or any later version published by the Free Software
     Foundation: with no Invariant Sections, with no Front-Cover Texts.
     and with no Back-Cover Texts. A copy of the license is included in
     the section entitled "GNU Free Documentation License".
  Menu:
* Introduction::
                                Introduction.
                                Command-line options, environment, exit status.
* Regular Expressions::
                                Regular Expressions.
* Usage::
                                Examples.
* Performance::
                                Performance tuning.
 * Reporting Bugs::
                                Reporting Bugs.
                                License terms for this manual.
 Copying::
                                Combined index.
 Index::
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File Edit View Search Terminal Help

Next: Invoking, Prev: Top, Up: Top

1 Introduction
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'grep' searches input files for lines containing a match to a given pattern list. When it finds a match in a line, it copies the line to standard output (by default), or produces whatever other sort of output you have requested with options.

Though 'grep' expects to do the matching on text, it has no limits on input line length other than available memory, and it can match arbitrary characters within a line. If the final byte of an input file is not a newline, 'grep' silently supplies one. Since newline is also a separator for the list of patterns, there is no way to match newline characters in a text.
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Basic navigation commands of info

- n: visits the next node
- p: visits the previous node
- u: returns to the previous level where [Enter] was pressed
- I: moves to the previously visited node
- q: quit info
- h: see the complete list of key sequences

--help

- It displays all options as a list.
- E.g. find -help

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sherryv@sherryy-HP-Laptop-14s-cf1xxx:~$ find --help
Usage: find [-H] [-L] [-P] [-Olevel] [-D debugopts] [path...] [expression]
default path is the current directory; default expression is -print
expression may consist of: operators, options, tests, and actions:
operators (decreasing precedence; -and is implicit where no others are given):
      ( EXPR ) ! EXPR -not EXPR EXPR1 -a EXPR2 EXPR1 -and EXPR2
      EXPR1 - o EXPR2 EXPR1 - or EXPR2 EXPR1 , EXPR2
positional options (always true): -daystart -follow -regextype
normal options (always true, specified before other expressions):
      -depth --help -maxdepth LEVELS -mindepth LEVELS -mount -noleaf
      --version -xdev -ignore readdir race -noignore readdir race
tests (N can be +N or -N or N): -amin N -anewer FILE -atime N -cmin N
      -cnewer FILE -ctime N -empty -false -fstype TYPE -qid N -group NAME
      -ilname PATTERN -iname PATTERN -inum N -iwholename PATTERN -iregex PATTERN
      -links N -lname PATTERN -mmin N -mtime N -name PATTERN -newer FILE
      -nouser -nogroup -path PATTERN -perm [-/]MODE -regex PATTERN
      -readable -writable -executable
      -wholename PATTERN -size N[bcwkMG] -true -type [bcdpflsD] -uid N
      -used N -user NAME -xtype [bcdpfls]
                                              -context CONTEXT
actions: -delete -print0 -printf FORMAT -fprintf FILE FORMAT -print
      -fprint0 FILE -fprint FILE -ls -fls FILE -prune -quit
      -exec COMMAND ; -exec COMMAND {} + -ok COMMAND ;
      -execdir COMMAND ; -execdir COMMAND {} + -okdir COMMAND ;
Valid arguments for -D:
exec, help, opt, rates, search, stat, time, tree
Use '-D help' for a description of the options, or see find(1)
Please see also the documentation at http://www.gnu.org/software/findutils/.
You can report (and track progress on fixing) bugs in the "find"
program via the GNU findutils bug-reporting page at
https://savannah.gnu.org/bugs/?group=findutils or, if
you have no web access, by sending email_to <bug-findutils@gnu.org>.
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echo: displaying messages

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$ echo $SHELL

/bin/bash
$ echo "Enter filename: \c"

Enter filename: $ __
\c is an escape sequence, the cursor is placed at the end of the ouput string rather than on the next line.

in BSD: -n option is an alternative to the \c sequence, echo -n "Enter filename: "

in Linux Bash, -e must be used: echo -e "Enter filename: \c"
\t: a tab which pushes text to the right by eight character positions.
\n: a newline which creates the effect of pressing [Enter]
\r: carriage return
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printf: alternative to echo in Bash

- Use \n to explicitly specify a newline \$ printf "No filename entered\n"
 No filename entered
- Format specifiers %s:
 \$ printf "My current shell is %s\n" \$SHELL
 My current shell is /bin/bash

script: recording your session

\$ script
Script started, file is typescript
\$ exit
Script done, file is typescript

- Then can view this file with the cat command
- Script overwrites any previous typescript that may exist. What if you
 want to append to it? Go check the man page to find the answer.
- The file created by script contains the [Ctrl-m] character, which shows in vi as ^M.

We can view it with cat –v and remove it using vi or sed.

mailx

- It is the only mail utility that POSIX requires all UNIX system to support.
- 可移植作業系統介面(英語: Portable Operating System Interface,縮寫為POSIX)是IEEE為要在各種UNIX作業系統上執行軟體,而定義API的一系列互相關聯的標準的總稱,其正式稱呼為IEEE Std 1003,而國際標準名稱為ISO/IEC 9945。

Email headers

henry: user henry on same host

henry@saturn: on a different host

henry@heavens.com: on the internet

- Received mail is deposited in a mailbox, a text file that may contain binary attachments in encoded form.
- When message has been viewed, it moves from the mailbox to mbox.

Sending mail

\$ mailx charlie Subject: New System The new system arrives soon — henry [Ctrl-d] or dot EOT

mailx -s "New System" -c "jpm,sumit" -b andrew charlie < message.txt -s: the subject
The mail body is obtained from the file message.txt using redirection.

-c: carbon copy

-b: blind carbon copy

Receiving mail

- mailbox: a text file named after the user-id of the recipient located in /var/mail (/var/spool/mail in Linux)
- You will be prompted to read the mailbox by:
 You have new mail in /var/mail/Charlie
- To read the mails, invoke:

Internal commands used by mailx

- N Message number n.
- + The next undeleted message, or the next deleted message for the undelete command.
- The next previous undeleted message, or the next previous deleted message for the undelete command.
- The current message.
- ^ The first undeleted message, or the first deleted message for the undelete command.
- \$ The last message.
- * All messages.
- n-m An inclusive range of message numbers.
- Address All messages from address; any address as shown in a header summary will be matchable in this form.
- /string All messages with string in the subject line (case ignored).
- :c All messages of type c, where c must be one of:
 - D deleted messages
 - N new messages
 - O old messages (any not in state read or new)
 - R read messages
 - U unread messages

passwd: change your password

- Console or telnet users: /etc/shadow (or /etc/passwd) stores the passwords
- SSH users: public key based cryptography
- uname: displays certain features of the os running on the machine.
 - uname –r: os version
 - uname –n: machine name or hostname
- who: users logged in
 - user-ids, filenames of the devices associated with the respective terminals, date time of logging
 - who am i: the user hwo invoked the who command

date: system date

- The battery backup stores the number of seconds elapsed since the Epoch: January 1, 1970.
- A 32-bit counter stores these seconds (except on 64-bit machines), and it overflows in 2038.
 - date +%m: print only the month
 - date +%h: print only the month name
 - date +"%h %m": Aug 08
 - d: day of the month; y: last two digits of the year; H, M and S: the hour, minute and second; D: date in format mm/dd/yy; T: time in format hh:mm:ss

stty: when things go wrong

- It shows the settings of several keywords:
 - Speed of the terminal
 - Keyword = value
 - Keyword = or –keyword. means the option is turned off.

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sherryy@sherryy-HP-Laptop-14s-cf1xxx:~$ stty -a
speed 38400 baud; rows 55; columns 204; line = 0;
intr = ^C; quit = ^\; erase = ^?; kill = ^U; eof = ^D; eol = <undef>; eol2 = <undef>; swtch = <undef>; start = ^Q; stop = ^S; susp = ^Z; rprnt = ^R; werase = ^W; lnext = ^V; discard = ^O;
min = 1; time = 0;
-parenb -parodd -cmspar cs8 -hupcl -cstopb cread -clocal -crtscts
-ignbrk -brkint -ignpar -parmrk -inpck -istrip -inlcr -igncr icrnl ixon -ixoff -iuclc -ixany -imaxbel iutf8
opost -olcuc -ocrnl onlcr -onocr -onlret -ofill -ofdel nlo cr0 tab0 bs0 vt0 ff0
isig icanon iexten echo echok -echonl -noflsh -xcase -tostop -echoprt echoctl echoke -flusho -extproc
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- stty intr DEL
 - Define the delete key as interrupt key.
- eof: end of file for mailx
- erase: sty erase [Backspace]
 - Define the backspace key
- stty sane or reset: reset the key values to default

Ptt 歷史

- 1995年9月14日,當時就讀國立臺灣大學資工系二年級學生的杜奕瑾,在宿舍內,以一台486個人電腦,利用Linux及開放原始碼軟體,架設了BBS站,PTT,擔任創站首任站長。
- 台大批踢踢的英語簡稱「PTT」的來源,是來自杜奕瑾開站時的個人ID。ID典故是他因為常熬夜而有熊貓眼,所以綽號是PandaTu(Tu為姓氏),縮寫為PT;但他覺得PT太短,有兩個T唸起來比較好聽好記,所以把ID取為Ptt
- https://zh.wikipedia.org/wiki/%E6%9D%9C%E5%A5%95%E7%91%BE
- 批踢踢與批踢踢兔作業系統則是Debian GNU/Linux,批踢踢參目前則架設在Microsoft Azure提供的雲端服務上

登入方式

PTT 使用 UTF-8 登入的方式有下述兩種:

- telnet -8 ptt.cc
- 登入 PTT 時,在 ID 結尾處多加上一個逗號(,) 的話,就會進入 UTF-8 模式。 ex:
- 帳號: user,
- 密碼:xxx
- 註:進入時還會是亂碼,登入後就會是 UTF-8 的版本
- ssh bbsu@ptt.cc # 這樣就直接進入 UTF-8 模式,我是使用此方式
- https://tonytonyjan.net/2015/12/08/login-ptt-everydayautomatically/