

50. Use ifconfig or ip to view and configure network interfaces  
ifconfig (older command):

To view network interfaces:

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ifconfig

To configure an IP address:

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sudo ifconfig eth0 192.168.1.100 netmask 255.255.255.0 up

To disable an interface:

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sudo ifconfig eth0 down

ip (modern and recommended command):

To view network interfaces:

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ip a

To configure an IP address:

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sudo ip addr add 192.168.1.100/24 dev eth0

To bring an interface up:

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sudo ip link set eth0 up

To bring an interface down:

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sudo ip link set eth0 down

51. Use ping to test network connectivity

The ping command is used to check the connectivity between your computer and another device.

Basic usage:

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ping 192.168.1.1

To stop the ping after a certain number of packets:

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ping -c 4 192.168.1.1

To continuously ping:

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ping 192.168.1.1

## 52. Understand basic firewall configuration using firewall-cmd

The firewall-cmd command is part of firewalld (the default firewall management tool in many Linux distributions such as RHEL and CentOS).

To check the status of the firewall:

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sudo firewall-cmd --state
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To list active zones:

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sudo firewall-cmd --get-active-zones
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To allow a specific port (e.g., port 80):

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sudo firewall-cmd --zone=public --add-port=80/tcp --permanent
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To reload the firewall after changes:

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sudo firewall-cmd --reload
```

## 53. Add SSH services in firewall

To allow SSH service (port 22) in the firewall:

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sudo firewall-cmd --zone=public --add-service=ssh --permanent
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To reload the firewall:

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sudo firewall-cmd --reload
```

## 54. Graphically manage the firewall

You can use Firewall-config, a graphical interface for firewalld.

To install:

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sudo yum install firewall-config # RHEL/CentOS
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```
sudo apt-get install firewall-config # Ubuntu/Debian
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Once installed, you can launch it from the terminal:

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```
firewall-config
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## 55. What is SELinux Security?

SELinux (Security-Enhanced Linux) is a set of kernel-level security enhancements that provides a mechanism for enforcing security policies. It works by controlling access to resources based on predefined security rules.

SELinux operates in three modes:

Enforcing: SELinux policies are enforced.

Permissive: SELinux allows actions but logs them.

Disabled: SELinux is turned off.

To check SELinux status:

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getenforce
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To set SELinux to permissive mode:

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sudo setenforce 0
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To permanently disable SELinux (in /etc/selinux/config):

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```
SELINUX=disabled
```

56. How to Set Static IP in Linux?

To set a static IP on Linux, you'll modify the network configuration file or use a command-line tool, depending on your system.

Using NetworkManager (nmcli):

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```
sudo nmcli con mod "System eth0" ipv4.addresses 192.168.1.100/24 ipv4.gateway 192.168.1.1 ipv4.dns "8.8.8.8"
```

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sudo nmcli con mod "System eth0" ipv4.method manual
```

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sudo nmcli con up "System eth0"
```

Manually editing the network configuration file

(/etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth0 for RHEL/CentOS, /etc/network/interfaces for Debian/Ubuntu):

RHEL/CentOS: Edit the file /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth0:

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```
TYPE=Ethernet
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BOOTPROTO=static
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IPADDR=192.168.1.100
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NETMASK=255.255.255.0
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GATEWAY=192.168.1.1
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DNS1=8.8.8.8
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ONBOOT=yes
```

Then restart the network service:

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```
sudo systemctl restart network
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Debian/Ubuntu: Edit the file /etc/network/interfaces:

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auto eth0
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iface eth0 inet static
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address 192.168.1.100
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netmask 255.255.255.0
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```
gateway 192.168.1.1
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dns-nameservers 8.8.8.8  
Then restart networking:
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bash
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```
sudo systemctl restart networking
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