

1.18 Using > to redirect output to a file

We can use > to redirect the output of one command to a file, if the file exists this will remove the old content and only keep the input. We can use >> to append to a file, means it will keep all the old content, and it will add the new input to the end of the file.

\$ ls / > details.txt \$ cat details.txt Bin **Boot** Dev Etc Home Lib Lib64 Lost+found Media Mnt Opt Proc Root Run Sbin Srv Sys Tmp Usr Var \$ ls /usr/ > details.txt \$ cat details.txt Bin Games Include Lib Lib64 Libexec Local Sbin Share Src Tmp \$ Is -I /tmp/ >> details.txt \$ cat details.txt