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linux

system & network
administration



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Why Linux System, Network Administration?

- Linux powers 90% of cloud infrastructure, servers, and embedded systems.
- Servers of 70–90% all over the world are Linux.
- You should learn Linux System, Network to control infrastructure on-prem and on cloud.



User and Group Management Basics

- **Users:** Individual accounts with unique IDs to access the system
- **Groups:** Logical collections of users to manage permissions.
- **Core Commands:**
 - useradd, usermod, userdel
 - groupadd, groupmod, groupdel
 - passwd for setting passwords.



User and Group Files

- `/etc/passwd`: Contains user account details.
- `/etc/group`: Lists group details.
- `/etc/shadow`: Stores encrypted passwords.

```
user@ubuntu: /$ cat /etc/group | grep groupname
# search groupname in the groups
user@ubuntu: /$ cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
user:x:1000:1000:,,,:/home/user:/bin/bash
```



User Commands

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo useradd -m username
```

```
# add a user
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo passwd username
```

```
# set password
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo usermod -aG sudo username
```

```
# modify user
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo userdel -r username
```

```
# delete user
```



Group Commands

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo groupadd developers
```

```
# add a group with 'developers'
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo usermod -aG developers username
```

```
# add user to group
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ groups username
```

```
# view group membership
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo groupdel developers
```

```
# delete a group
```



Permission Basics

Read (r), Write (w), Execute (x)
Levels: Owner, Group, Others

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ls -la
drwxr-xr-- 2 user group 4096 Dec 25 14:00 myfolder
# Owner: Read, write, execute.
# Group: Read, execute.
# Others: Read only.
user@ubuntu: /$ ls -l /path/to/directory
```



Permission Commands

- Change permissions: **chmod**
- Change ownership: **chown**

```
user@ubuntu: /$ chmod 755 file.txt
```

```
# (Owner: rwx, Group: r-x, Others: r-x)
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ chown username:developers file.txt
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ chmod +x script.sh
```



Process Monitoring

- Real-time resource usage: `top/htop`
- List running processes: `ps`

```
user@ubuntu: /$ top
```

```
top - 12:03:08 up 26 min, 0 users, load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
```

```
Tasks: 8 total, 1 running, 7 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
```

```
%Cpu(s): 0.0 us, 0.0 sy, 0.0 ni,100.0 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
```

```
MiB Mem : 12522.4 total, 11707.6 free, 147.2 used, 667.6 buff/cache
```

```
MiB Swap: 4096.0 total, 4096.0 free, 0.0 used. 12119.1 avail Mem
```

PID	USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHRS	%CPU	%MEM	TIME+	COMMAND
171	root	20	0	2244568	49616	29632	S	0.3	0.4	0:01.29 containerd



Disk Monitoring

- Disk space: **df**
- Directory size: **du**
- app for file/directory size: **ncdu**

```
user@ubuntu: /$ df -h
```

Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Use%	Mounted on
/dev/sdb	251G	20G	219G	9%	/
tmpfs	6.2G	0	6.2G	0%	/mnt

```
user@ubuntu: /$ du -sh /var/log
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ncdu
```

```
# traverse between directories
```



Log Monitoring

- View system logs: `journalctl`
- Kernel logs: `dmesg`
- App logs: `/var/log/app.log`

```
user@ubuntu: /$ journalctl -xe
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ journalctl -u nginx.service
```



Network Basics

- Check network interfaces: `ip a`, `ifconfig`
- Check routing table: `ip route`
- Test connectivity: `ping google.com`

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ifconfig
```

```
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
```

```
inet 172.26.119.78 netmask 255.255.240.0 broadcast 172.26.127.255
```

```
inet6 fe80::215:5dff:fe8a:d248 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
```

```
ether 00:15:5d:8a:d2:48 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
```

```
RX packets 813 bytes 71375 (71.3 KB)
```

```
RX errors 0 dropped 2 overruns 0 frame 0
```

```
TX packets 11 bytes 866 (866.0 B)
```

```
TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```



Network Monitoring

- Active connections: `netstat/ss`
- Bandwidth usage: `iftop`
- Open ports and services: `nmap`

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo netstat -tuln  
# show open ports
```



Firewall Config

- Enable firewall: `ufw enable`
- Check firewall status: `ufw status`
- List existing rules: `sudo iptables -L -v`

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo ufw allow ssh
```

```
# allow SSH traffic
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo ufw enable
```

```
# enable firewall
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo iptables -A INPUT -s 192.168.1.100 -j DROP
```

```
# block an IP address
```



Package Management Basics

- Debian-based: apt (e.g., Ubuntu).
- Red Hat-based: yum/dnf (e.g., CentOS, Fedora).
- Others: pacman, snap, zypper.

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt install nginx
```

```
# install nginx
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt-get install nginx
```

```
# install nginx
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt remove nginx
```

```
# install nginx
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt purge nginx
```

```
# remove the package and its associated
```



Package Management Basics

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt update
# update package index
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt upgrade
# upgrade installed packages
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt install nginx
# install a package
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo apt remove nginx
# remove a package
```



Automation Tools

- Automate routine tasks like backups, updates, and configuration.
- **Tools:** Ansible, Puppet, Chef.
- Multiple remote control without agent on node => **Ansible**

```
- hosts: all
tasks:
  - name: Update all packages
    apt:
      update_cache: yes
      upgrade: dist
```



Secure Remote Access

- Connect to a remote server: `ssh`
- Copy a file to a remote server using SCP: `scp`
- Generate SSH keys: `ssh-keygen`

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ssh user@remote-server
```

```
# connect to a remote server
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096
```

```
# generate SSH keys for passwordless login
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ssh-copy-id user@remote-server
```

```
# copy SSH key to a remote server
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ scp -r local/myfolder user@remote-server:/home/user/
```

```
# copy a directory recursively
```



SSH Local Port Forwarding

- To reach remote another port over SSH Port 22
- Traffic goes over the SSH tunneling

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ssh -L 8080:localhost:80 user@remote-server
```

```
# forward local port 8080 to a remote server's 80 (HTTP)
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ ssh -L 5432:localhost:5432 user@remote-server
```

```
# forward a database port (e.g., PostgreSQL on 5432)
```



Managing Services (systemctl)

- A service runs in the background without user interaction, often managing system functions
- e.g. ssh, nginx,

```
user@ubuntu: /$ systemctl status nginx
```

```
# check the status of a service
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo systemctl start nginx
```

```
# start/stop a service
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo systemctl enable nginx
```

```
# enable a service to start at boot
```

```
user@ubuntu: /$ sudo systemctl restart nginx
```

```
# restart a service
```



```
user@ubuntu:$ #####
```

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