LINUX COMMANDS

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date # Displays the current date and time.
date "+%D" # Shows the date in MM/DD/YY format.
date "+%D %T" # Shows date and time.
date "+%Y-%m-%d" # Displays date in YYYY-MM-DD format.
date --date "tomorrow" # Shows the date for tomorrow.
date --date "2 years ago" # Displays the date from two years ago.
man date # Opens manual for date.
bc # Opens command-line calculator.
bc <<< "12/5" # Performs division using bc.
bc <<< "scale=2; 12/5" # Division with 2 decimal precision.
bc <<< "2>5" # Checks if 2 is greater than 5.
bc <<< "2^10" # Calculates 2 raised to power 10.
uname # Shows system information.
uname -a # Displays all system info.
uname -r # Shows kernel version.
uname -s # Shows kernel name.
uname -n # Displays network hostname.
sudo apt update # Updates the package list.
sudo apt upgrade # Upgrades all upgradable packages.
sudo apt install gcc # Installs GCC compiler.
sudo apt install build-essential # Installs essential development tools.
sudo apt install ncal # Installs the ncal calendar utility.
ls # Lists files and directories.
ls -l # Lists with details.
ls -a # Lists including hidden files.
ls -R # Recursively lists directories.
cd dir # Changes to directory dir.
cd .. # Goes one level up.
cd - # Switches to previous directory.
mkdir dir # Creates a directory.
mkdir -p d1/d2 # Creates nested directories.
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pwd # Prints current working directory.
echo "text" # Prints text.
echo -e "Hello \t World" # Prints text with tab space.
echo -n "Hello" # Prints without new line.
printf "text\n" # Prints formatted text.
cat file # Displays file content.
cat -n file # Shows file with line numbers.
tac file # Displays file content in reverse.
rev <<< text # Reverses the text.
nano file # Opens file in Nano editor.
vi file # Opens file in Vi editor.
touch file # Creates a new empty file.
cp file dest # Copies file to destination.
cp -r dir dest # Recursively copies directory.
mv file dest # Moves/renames file.
rm file # Deletes file.
rm -r dir # Deletes directory and contents.
rmdir dir # Removes empty directory.
ps # Displays current running processes.
exit # Exits the terminal session.
echo $SHELL # Shows default shell.
printenv SHELL # Prints shell variable.
whoami # Displays current username.
whatis command # Shows a short description of command.
whereis command # Shows location of binary, source, and man pages.
info command # Displays command's info manual.
man command # Opens command manual page.
date && whoami # Runs date, then whoami if successful.
echo $? # Shows exit status of the last command.
false # Returns a false (non-zero) exit status.
cal # Displays calendar.
seq 1 10 # Prints numbers from 1 to 10.
seq 1 3 10 # Prints numbers from 1 to 10 in steps of 3.
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history # Shows command history.
gcc file.c && ./a.out # Compiles and runs a C program.
                              # Opens 'sum.c' file in the vi editor.
vi sum.c
gcc sum.c && ./a.out
                              # Compiles 'sum.c' and runs the output if compilation is
successful.
                             # Opens 'filecmd' file in the vi editor.
vi filecmd
cat filecmd
                             # Displays the contents of 'filecmd'.
                             # Displays the contents of 'sum.c'.
cat sum.c
                             # Compiles the C program in 'sum.c'.
gcc sum.c
./a.out
                             # Executes the compiled output file 'a.out'.
gcc sum.c && ./a.out
                             # Same as line 324.
                             # Lists files and directories in the current folder.
more filecmd
                             # Views 'filecmd' content page by page.
nano filecmd
                             # Opens 'filecmd' in the nano editor.
more filecmd
                             # Views 'filecmd' content again.
less filecmd
                             # Views 'filecmd' with navigation support (scrolling).
head filecmd
                             # Displays the first 10 lines of 'filecmd'.
head -n 5 filecmd
                             # Displays the first 5 lines of 'filecmd'.
                             # Displays the last 10 lines of 'filecmd'.
tail filecmd
tail +5 filecmd
                             # Displays content from line 5 onward in 'filecmd'.
                             # Opens or creates 'sample.txt' in nano.
nano sample.txt
                             # Displays contents of 'sample.txt'.
cat sample.txt
cut -c 1-3 sample.txt
                            # Extracts characters 1 to 3 from each line.
cut -c 4-10 sample.txt
                            # Extracts characters 4 to 10 from each line.
cat sample.txt
                             # Displays contents again.
cut -d ' #' -f2 sample.txt  # Cuts and shows the 2nd field using ':' as delimiter.
cut -d ' #' -f2,3 sample.txt # Cuts and shows 2nd and 3rd fields.
ls
                             # Lists files again.
cat demo
                             # Displays contents of 'demo'.
nano f1
                             # Creates/edits file 'f1' in nano.
                             # Creates/edits file 'f2' in nano.
nano f2
cat fi
                             # Likely typo; tries to show contents of 'fi'.
                             # Displays 'f1'.
cat f1
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cat f2
                           # Displays 'f2'.
                          # Merges 'f1' and 'f2' line by line.
paste f1 f2
paste -d ' #' f1 f2
                          # Same as above but uses ':' as delimiter.
paste -s f1 f2
                          # Pastes content serially (one file after another).
cat sample.txt
                          # Shows 'sample.txt'.
sort sample.txt
                          # Sorts lines alphabetically.
sort -t ' #' -k2 sample.txt # Sorts by 2nd field using ':' delimiter.
sort -t ' #' -k3 sample.txt # Sorts by 3rd field.
sort -t ' #' -k4 sample.txt # Sorts by 4th field.
sort -t ' #' -k3 sample.txt -r # Reverse sort by 3rd field.
                          # Displays again.
cat sample.txt
tr ' #' '|' < sample.txt
                          # Replaces ':' with '|' in output.
                          # Displays unchanged file.
cat sample.txt
                           # Lists files again.
ls
tr ' #' '|' < sample.txt > s1.txt # Saves output of ':' replaced with '|' to 's1.txt'.
                           # Lists to confirm 's1.txt'.
ls
                          # Shows contents of 's1.txt'.
cat s1.txt
tr ' #0' '|$' < sample.txt  # Replaces ':' with '|' and '0' with '$' (though incorrect
syntax).
cat sample.txt
                           # Displays again.
tr -s '0' < sample.txt
                          # Squeezes repeated 0s into a single 0.
cat sample.txt
                           # Displays again.
tr -d '0' < sample.txt
                          # Deletes all 0s from output.
                          # Edits/creates 'example.txt'.
nano example.txt
                          # Displays contents.
cat example.txt
uniq example.txt
                          # Removes adjacent duplicate lines.
nano example.txt
                          # Edits again.
cat example.txt
                          # Displays again.
uniq example.txt
                          # Shows unique lines again.
                           # Lists all files.
ls
cat sample.txt
                          # Displays again.
                           # Displays again.
cat s1.txt
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# Compares files byte-by-byte.
cmp sample.txt s1.txt
                          # Shows line-by-line differences.
diff sample.txt s1.txt
                            # Lists files.
1 s
                            # Opens 'test.c' for editing.
nano test.c
cat test.c
                            # Shows code in 'test.c'.
grep main test.c
                            # Finds lines with 'main' in test.c.
grep ^main test.c
                           # Finds lines that start with 'main'.
                            # Finds lines starting with 'int'.
grep ^int test.c
grep \; test.c
                            # Finds lines containing a semicolon.
nano test.c
                            # Edits again.
cat test.c
                            # Displays again.
grep ^int test.c
                            # Finds 'int' starting lines again.
                            # Opens/creates 'sed_test'.
nano sed_test
                            # Displays file.
cat sed_test
sed 's/Hello/Hi/' sed_test # Replaces first 'Hello' with 'Hi' per line (not in file).
                            # File unchanged.
cat sed_test
sed -i 's/Hello/Hi/' sed_test # Replaces in-place (modifies file).
                            # Shows updated content.
cat sed_test
sed 's/!/$/g' sed_test
                           # Replaces all '!' with '$'.
                            # Shows file.
cat sed_test
sed '/simple/d' sed_test
                           # Deletes lines containing 'simple'.
sed '/Hi/a Welcome to sed' sed_test # Appends line after 'Hi'.
sed -n '/Hi/p' sed_test
                           # Prints only lines containing 'Hi'.
nano employees.txt
                           # Creates/edits 'employees.txt'.
cat employees.txt
                            # Displays employee data.
awk '{print $0}' employees.txt # Prints every line (entire record).
awk '{print $1, $3}' employees.txt # Prints 1st and 3rd columns.
awk $3>50000 '{print $1, $3}' employees.txt # Invalid syntax (error).
awk '$3 > 50000 {print $1, $3}' employees.txt # Prints names and salary > 50000.
awk 'BEGIN {print "Name #, Salary: "} {print $1, $3}' employees.txt # Prints headers and
names/salaries.
awk 'BEGIN {print "Name Salary"} {print $1, $3}' employees.txt # Prints with proper
header.
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awk 'BEGIN {print "Name Age Salary"} {print \$1, \$2, \$3}' employees.txt # Prints all columns with header. awk '{total+= \$3} END {print "Total Salary=", total}' employees.txt # Sums and prints total salary. awk '{print \$0}' employees.txt # Prints entire file (same as line 410). awk '{print NR, \$1}' employees.txt # Prints line number and name. awk '{print NR, \$0}' employees.txt # Prints line number with full line. awk '/Alice/' employees.txt # Prints lines containing 'Alice'. awk '\$2 < 30 {print \$1, \$2}' employees.txt # Prints name and age if age < 30. awk '{printf "Name # %s, Age: %d, Salary: %d\n", \$1, \$2, \$3}' employees.txt # Formatted output. awk 'END {print "Total employees= ", NR}' employees.txt # Prints total line count (employees). ls -l # Long list with permissions and details. ls -l s1.txt # Shows details of 's1.txt'. chmod u+x s1.txt # Gives execute permission to user for 's1.txt'. ls -l s1.txt # Verifies permission change. chmod o-r s1.txt # Removes read permission from others. ls -l s1.txt # Verifies again. chmod 462 sl.txt # Sets specific file permissions. ls -l s1.txt # Verifies final permission state.

Shows command history.

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