

HNDIT 2402 – Free and Open Source Software Solutions

Week 4 Lab activity

1. State the purpose of the following commands with a snapshot after running each command

- i. date
- ii. cal
- iii. uptime
- iv. w
- v. whoami
- vi. finger user
- vii. uname -a
- viii. cat /proc/cpuinfo
- ix. cat /proc/meminfo
- x. df
- xi. du
- xii. free

2. Try following commands (give a snapshot for each)

- i. ls – Directory listing
- ii. ls -l – List files in current directory using long format
- iii. ls -laC – List all files in current directory in long format and display in columns
- iv. ls -F – List files in current directory and indicate the file type
- v. ls -al – Formatted listing with hidden files
- vi. cd dir – Change directory to dir
- vii. cd – Change to home
- viii. mkdir dir – Create a directory dir
- ix. pwd – Show current directory
- x. rm name – Remove a file or directory called name
- xi. rm -r dir – Delete directory dir
- xii. rm -f file – Force remove file
- xiii. rm -rf dir – Force remove an entire directory dir and all it's included files and subdirectories (use with extreme caution)
- xiv. cp file1 file2 – Copy file1 to file2
- xv. cp -r dir1 dir2 – Copy dir1 to dir2; create dir2 if it doesn't exist
- xvi. cp file /home/dirname – Copy the file called filename to the /home/dirname directory
- xvii. mv file /home/dirname – Move the file called filename to the /home/dirname directory
- xviii. mv file1 file2 – Rename or move file1 to file2; if file2 is an existing directory, moves file1 into directoryfile2



3. Give Commands for the followings. State your result

(Hint: for b - e, use different options of 'uname' command)

- a. To view your network hostname
- b. The information of your system (hardware, CPU, etc.,)
- c. To get information about kernel-version
- d. To get the information about your kernel release
- e. To print your machine hardware name
- f. To run all this information together

4. What is a 'man page' in Linux? State the options for system reboot and halt given in shutdown man page. Give the complete commands for reboot and halt

5. Try to find 'man pages' using following commands

- a. Which man
- b. Whereis man

