

## EXERCISE 1

### BASIC LINUX AND WINDOWS COMMAND

**AIM:**

To introduce and practice essential networking commands in Linux and Windows operating systems for configuring, monitoring, and troubleshooting network connections. This exercise aims to build fundamental skills required for diagnosing and managing network environments using command-line tools.

**LINUX COMMAND:**

1. ls – list directory  
Synopsis: ls [option]... [File]...  
Description: Display files and directories in the current working directory. By default, entries are sorted alphabetically.
2. touch – change file / create empty file  
Synopsis: touch [option]... [File]...  
Description: Shows detailed information for each file, including permissions, owner, size, and time.
3. cat – concatenate and display file contents  
Synopsis: cat [option]... [file]  
Description: Prints the contents of one or more files to standard output. Useful for viewing or combining files.
4. ls -l – long listing format  
Synopsis: ls -l  
Description: Shows detailed information for each file, including permissions, owner, and size.
5. chmod – change file permissions  
Synopsis: chmod [option]... mode file  
Description: Changes the permission bits of files. You can use numeric or symbolic notation.
6. mkdir – make directories  
Synopsis: mkdir [option]... Directory  
Description: Creates a new directory. Use -p to create parent directories as needed.
7. ls -a – list all files including hidden  
Synopsis: ls -a  
Description: Lists all files, including hidden ones, inside the open directory.
8. nano – text editor  
Synopsis: nano [file]  
Description: Launches a user-friendly text editor in the terminal to edit files.

9. `rm` – remove files  
Synopsis: `rm [option]... File...`  
Description: Deletes files or directories. Use `-r` for recursive removal, `-f` to force without prompt.
10. `rmdir` – remove empty directories  
Synopsis: `rmdir (directory)`  
Description: Deletes a directory only if it is empty.
11. `ps -e` – list all running processes  
Synopsis: `ps -e`  
Description: Shows currently running processes in the system.
12. `grep` – search for text patterns inside files or output  
Synopsis: `grep "word" file.txt`  
Description: Filters process list to show only those matching the given name or keyword.
13. `echo` – display text, variables or messages  
Synopsis: `echo [string]`  
Description: Prints the given text to the terminal. Often used in scripting.
14. `top` – real-time process viewer  
Synopsis: `top`  
Description: Displays a dynamic list of running processes along with CPU and memory usage.
15. `free` – display memory message  
Synopsis: `free [option]`  
Description: Shows the amount of free and used memory in the system. Use `-h` for human-readable output.
16. `vmstat` – report system performance  
Synopsis: `vmstat [delay] [count]`  
Description: Displays memory, CPU, I/O, system performance statistics.
17. `traceroute` – tracks the path  
Synopsis: `traceroute [IP address/hostname]`  
Description: Identifies the path taken by packets to reach a network host.
18. `ping` – test network connectivity  
Synopsis: `ping [destination]`  
Description: Sends ICMP echo requests to a network host to check if it's reachable.
19. `ifconfig` – view network interfaces  
Synopsis: `ifconfig`  
Description: Displays or configures network interface parameters (now largely replaced by `ip addr`).
20. `vi` – text editor  
Synopsis: `vi [file]`  
Description: Opens the vi editor to create or modify files; offers powerful editing features.

21. cd – change directory  
Synopsis: cd [directory]  
Description: Changes the current working directory.
22. pwd – print working directory  
Synopsis: pwd  
Description: Shows current location.

## OUTPUT:

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* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log  folder1  folder2  folder3  folder4  nano.save
tryhackme@linux1:~$ cd folder1
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder1$ ls -l
total 0
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder1$ pwd
/home/tryhackme/folder1
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder1$ ps -e
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
    1 ?        00:00:03 systemd
    2 ?        00:00:00 kthreadd
    3 ?        00:00:00 rcu_gp
    4 ?        00:00:00 rcu_par_gp
    5 ?        00:00:00 slub_flushwq
    6 ?        00:00:00 netns
    8 ?        00:00:00 kworker/0:0H-events_highpri
    9 ?        00:00:00 kworker/u4:0-events_unbound
   10 ?        00:00:00 mm_percpu_wq
   11 ?        00:00:00 rcu_tasks_rude_
   12 ?        00:00:00 rcu_tasks_trace
   13 ?        00:00:00 ksoftirqd/0
   14 ?        00:00:00 rcu_sched
   15 ?        00:00:00 migration/0
   16 ?        00:00:00 idle_inject/0
   18 ?        00:00:00 cpuhp/0
   19 ?        00:00:00 cpuhp/1
   20 ?        00:00:00 idle_inject/1
   21 ?        00:00:00 migration/1
   22 ?        00:00:00 ksoftirqd/1
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## WINDOWS COMMAND:

1. dir - Equivalent of ls  
Synopsis: dir [path] [[options]]  
Description: List all files and directories.
2. cd - Change directory  
Synopsis: cd [path]  
Description: Changes the current working directory.
3. cls - Clear screen  
Synopsis: cls  
Description: Removes all text.
4. echo - Prints  
Synopsis: echo [message]  
Description: Displays messages, useful in batch scripts.
5. dir -a (like ls -a)  
Synopsis: dir -a [path]  
Description: Lists files and directories.
6. mkdir - make directory  
Synopsis: mkdir [drive:] [path] foldername  
Description: Create a new directory in a specified path.

7. del - delete file (remdir)  
Synopsis: del file.txt  
Description: Delete files or directories from the file system.
8. tasklist - display all currently running process  
Synopsis: tasklist [options]  
Description: Lists process name, PID (Process ID), session name/ID, and memory usage.
9. find - search for a specific string of text within files  
Synopsis: find "string" [filename]  
Description: Looks for the given "string" inside the specified file.
10. systeminfo - detailed system configuration information  
Synopsis: systeminfo  
Description: Often used for system audits and troubleshooting.
11. typeperf - display or log performance counter data  
Synopsis: typeperf [counter...] [options]  
Description: Can display output in the console or save it to a log file (CSV, TSV, binary).
12. tracert - Trace the path packets take to reach  
Synopsis: tracert [options] <hostname or IP>  
Description: Displays each router packets travel through until reaching the destination.
13. ping - network connectivity  
Synopsis: ping [option] <hostname or IP>  
Description: Displays packet loss, response time, and TTL (Time to Live).
14. ipconfig - displays and manages IP address  
Synopsis: ipconfig [options]  
Description: Shows current network adapter configuration.

## OUTPUT:

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Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.6584]
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C:\Users\SIVARANJANII>dir
Volume in drive C is Windows-SSD
Volume Serial Number is BEF8-C61C

Directory of C:\Users\SIVARANJANII

10-10-2025  21:39    <DIR>          .
15-05-2025  18:21    <DIR>          ..
27-09-2025  08:39    <DIR>          .cache
27-09-2025  08:39    <DIR>          .config
20-04-2025  23:40    <DIR>          .cursor
26-09-2025  22:27    <DIR>          .docker
27-09-2025  08:39    <DIR>          .gemini
15-07-2025  11:04    <DIR>          .icesoft
22-04-2025  22:57    <DIR>          .idlerc
10-10-2025  21:39    <DIR>          20
27-09-2025  06:36    <DIR>          .lessht
15-07-2025  11:03    <DIR>          .local
27-09-2025  06:37    <DIR>          .openjfx
21-07-2025  22:04    <DIR>          .redhat
10-04-2025  20:16    <DIR>          .VirtualBox
06-10-2025  13:18    549 any.py
29-09-2025  20:30    261 client.py
15-05-2025  18:24    <DIR>          Contacts
10-10-2025  21:42    <DIR>          DEMO
20-04-2025  23:40    <DIR>          Documents
10-10-2025  20:08    <DIR>          Downloads
20-04-2025  20:19    0 elderly people app
15-05-2025  18:24    <DIR>          Favorites
06-10-2025  13:06    549 ftp.py
15-05-2025  18:24    <DIR>          Links
15-05-2025  18:24    <DIR>          Music
13-10-2025  10:06    <DIR>          OneDrive
06-10-2025  11:20    452 ping.py
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C:\Users\SIVARANJANII>echo hello
hello

C:\Users\SIVARANJANII>tasklist

Image Name                PID Session Name        Session#    Mem Usage
=====
System Idle Process        0 Services            0           8 K
System                     4 Services            0        6,412 K
Secure System              260 Services          0       63,240 K
Registry                   304 Services          0       35,536 K
smss.exe                   864 Services          0         640 K
csrss.exe                  1060 Services         0        3,472 K
wininit.exe                1164 Services         0        4,212 K
services.exe               1280 Services         0        9,532 K
lsaliso.exe                1324 Services         0        1,932 K
lsass.exe                  1332 Services         0       27,232 K
svchost.exe                1468 Services         0       44,080 K
fontdrvhost.exe           1496 Services         0         908 K
WUDFHost.exe              1556 Services         0        4,272 K
svchost.exe                1628 Services         0       19,872 K
svchost.exe                1696 Services         0        8,112 K
WUDFHost.exe              1732 Services         0        2,428 K
WUDFHost.exe              1792 Services         0       11,588 K
WUDFHost.exe              1924 Services         0       15,228 K
svchost.exe                1984 Services         0        1,560 K
svchost.exe                2000 Services         0       10,152 K
svchost.exe                1484 Services         0        5,264 K
svchost.exe                1004 Services         0        7,528 K
svchost.exe                1360 Services         0        6,300 K
svchost.exe                2060 Services         0        2,592 K
svchost.exe                2128 Services         0        7,448 K
svchost.exe                2252 Services         0        4,868 K
svchost.exe                2292 Services         0        5,876 K

C:\Users\SIVARANJANII>tracert google.com

Tracing route to google.com [2404:6800:4007:815::200e]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  1    3 ms    3 ms    2 ms  2401:4900:9251:d446:21cf:67d8:a:2e16
  2   56 ms   18 ms   38 ms  2401:4900:1:a809::3
  3   76 ms   30 ms   58 ms  2401:4900:1:a882::3
  4   78 ms   34 ms   31 ms  2401:4900:1:a883::1
  5    ^C

C:\Users\SIVARANJANII>tracert google.com

Tracing route to google.com [2404:6800:4007:815::200e]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  1    9 ms    3 ms    2 ms  2401:4900:9251:d446:21cf:67d8:a:2e16
  2   34 ms   43 ms   20 ms  2401:4900:1:a809::3
  3   29 ms   22 ms   19 ms  2401:4900:1:a882::3
  4   51 ms   40 ms   24 ms  2401:4900:1:a883::1
  5    *      *      *    Request timed out.
  6   79 ms   22 ms   41 ms  2404:a800:3a00:205::9
  7   52 ms   61 ms   51 ms  2404:a800::92
  8   208 ms   22 ms   32 ms  2404:6800:8201:2c0::1
  9   138 ms   716 ms   *    2404:6800:8201:2c0::1
 10   227 ms   43 ms   24 ms  2001:4860:0:1::55b4
 11   187 ms   43 ms   22 ms  2001:4860:0:1::55cd
 12  441 ms   20 ms   87 ms  maa05s14-in-x0e.1e100.net [2404:6800:4007:815::200e]

Trace complete.

C:\Users\SIVARANJANII>
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## RESULT:

All listed basic Linux and Windows networking commands were executed and tested successfully in their respective terminal environments. The commands produced the expected outputs, allowing for efficient directory navigation, file management, system monitoring, and network troubleshooting. This experiment verified the practical functioning and usefulness of each command for real-world administrative and technical tasks.