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Module 1: What is Linux?





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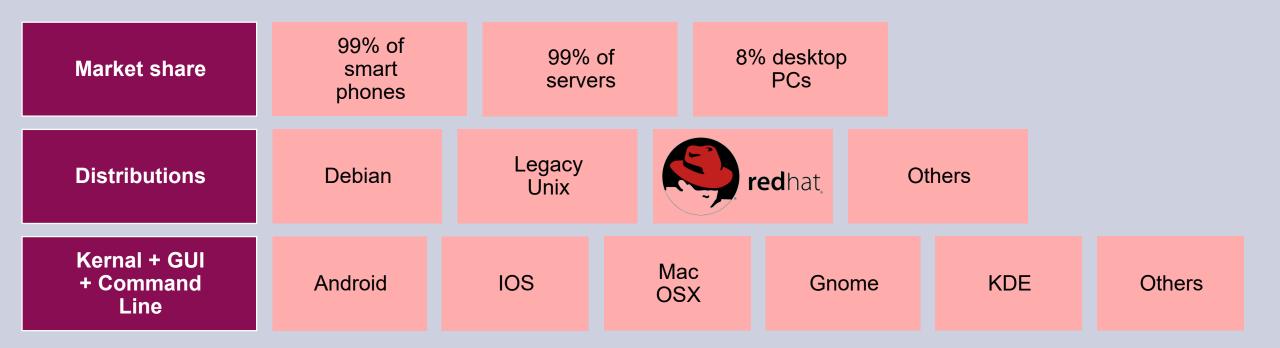
In this introduction to Linux, we will introduce you to the skills you need to be comfortable in a Linux environment as well as be able to solve problems using these skills.

We will break the course down into modules with exercises to practice these skills in each module.



What is Linux





Created in 1991 as a personal project of Linus Torvalds (a student at the time). The idea was to create a new free, open-source operating system kernel.

Linux has more that 23 million lines of source code.

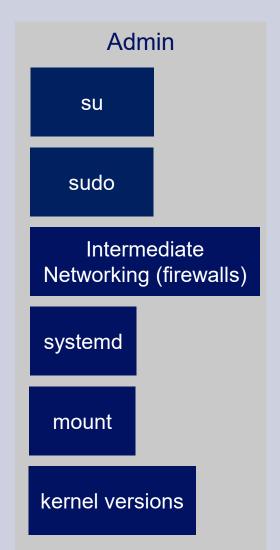
It is based on UNIX which was initially released in 1970.

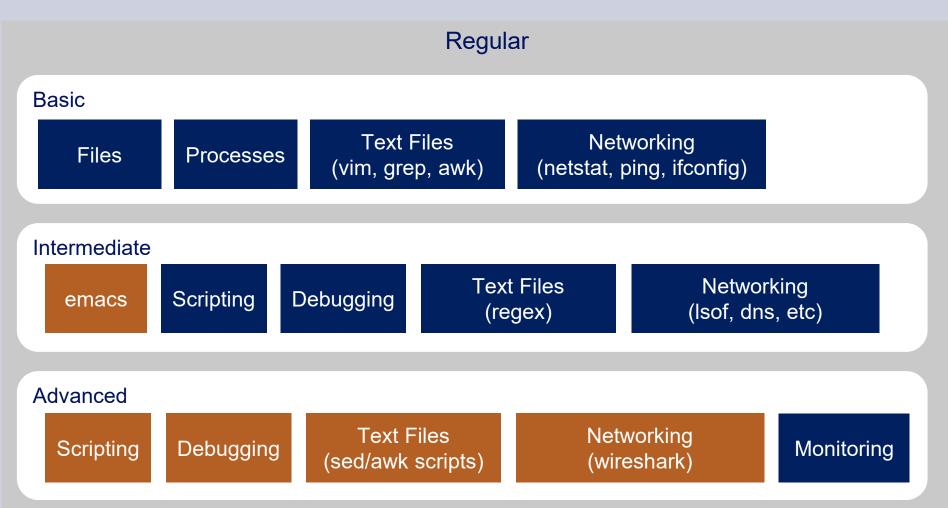




Production Support vs Systems Admin







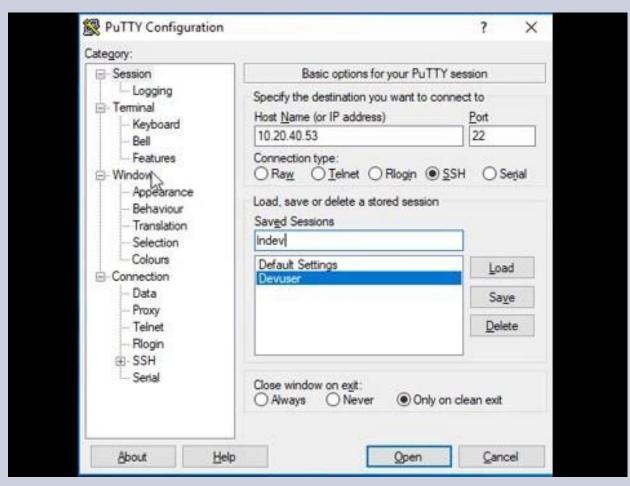


Accessing Linux - PuTTY



The most popular tool which is used to remotely login to Linux is PuTTY

- Specify Hostname/IP
- Rename session
- Close window on exit = Never
- Lines of scrollback = 99999
- Specify auto-login username
- Attempt GSSAPI Authentication = unchecked
- Save profile



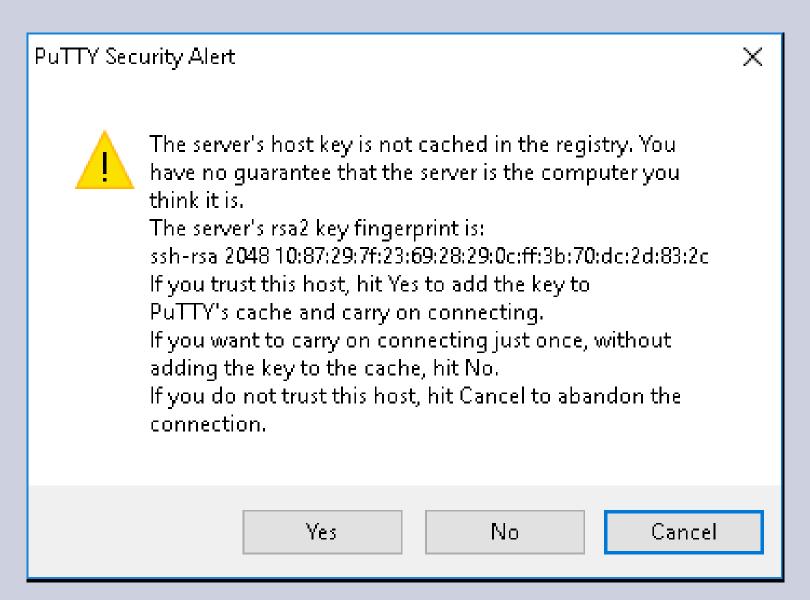


Putty continued



You will receive this message when you first long on to a host.

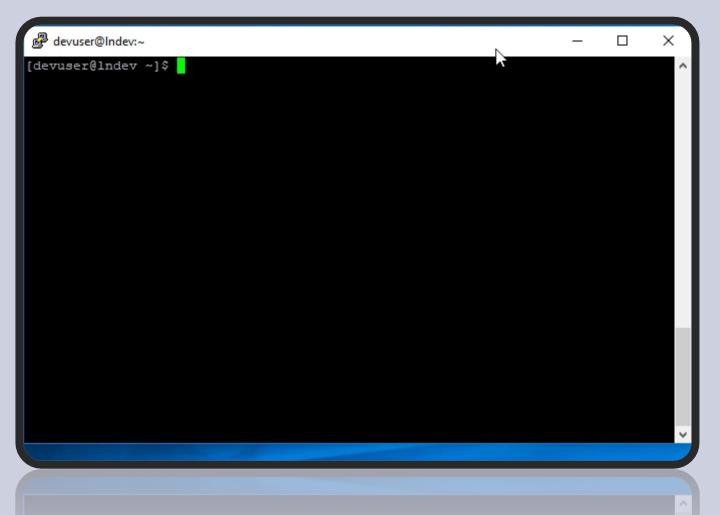
It's fine to say yes to this warning.





PuTTY – window colors





Top Tip:

- Change PuTTY window colors to something that alerts you to whether you are on a production host or UAT
- This will save you at some point in the future
- Configurable in the PuTTY window settings



Configuring an AWS instance

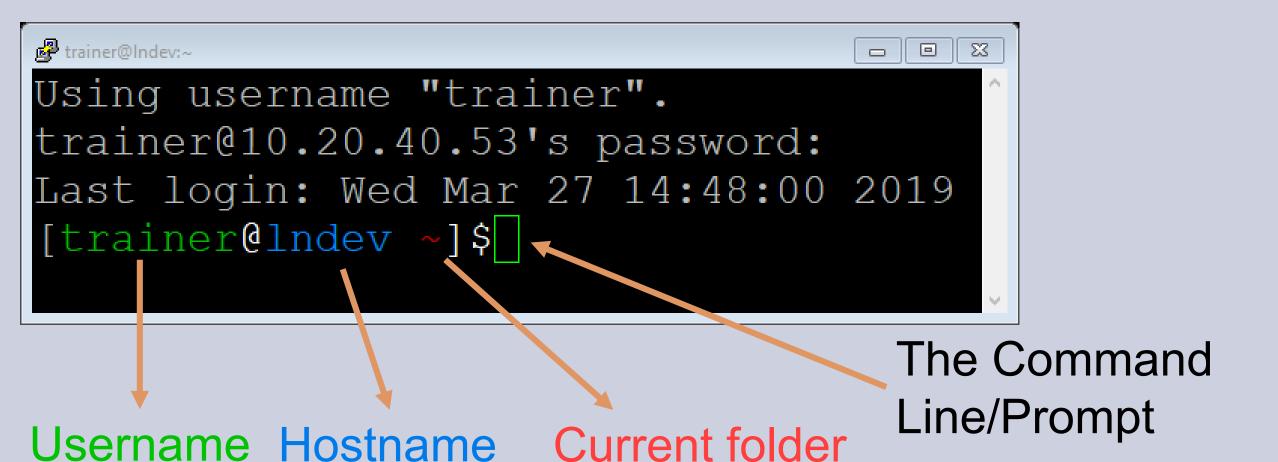


- Have PuTTY installed
- 2. Login to https://aws.amazon.com/
- 3. Enter username and password
- 4. Go to compute and click ec2
- 5. Click launch instance
- 6. Select the second instance
- 7. Choose the free tier option and click review and launch
- 8. Add tags name and location then review and launch
- 9. For first time usage, you need to setup a new security pair
- 10. In this case we have shared the key: select London April
- 11. Select instance and get the connect details
- 12. Put the details into PuTTY, including loading the key on the SSH/Auth category



PuTTY – After Logging in







Linux Commands



Structure

command [-option(s)] [argument(s)]

Entering Commands

- Is lists the contents of the current directory
- Is / list contents of the / directory

```
devuser@Indev:-
devuser@indev -]$ ls
                curiel4.jil
                                  demo curiel6.jil
                                                    helloFromAnsible.txt
afile
                                  demo.curie20.jil
                                                     kpashindla.jil
curie02demo.jil
                deleteme
                                  demodhodgins.jil
                                                     newScript
curie06.jil
                                  demo.jil
                demo curie03.jil
curle07
                demo curie05.jil
                                  dhodgins
curie10.jil
                demo.curie05.jil
                                  getUniverse
                demo curiell.jil
curiel2demo.jil
curie13.jil
                demo curiel5.jil
[devuser@lndev -]$
[devuser@lndev -]$
[devuser@lndev -]$ ls /
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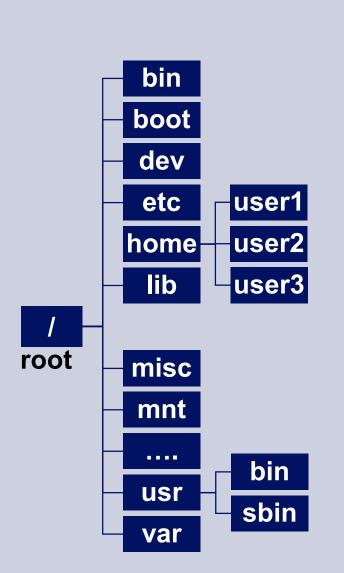


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[Command] [-flag -switch1 one -type dir] [argument1 arg2 arg3]
ls -1 /bin/
ls -1 /bin/ /tmp/
[Command] [argument1 arg2 arg3] [-flag -switch1 one -type dir]
ls /bin/ -1
ls /bin/ /tmp/ -1
[Command] [-switch1 one -type dir] [argument1 arg2 arg3] [-flag]
Ls -1 /bin/ -s
#Combine flags
ls -1s /bin/
ls -1sh /bin/
Ls -1 -s -h /bin/
```



Linux File System





/bin

Common programs, shared by the system, the system administrator and the users.

/etc

Most important system configuration files are in /etc, this directory contains data similar to those in the Control Panel in Windows

/home

Home directories of the common users.

/proc

A virtual file system containing information about system resources.

/tmp

Temporary space for use by the system, cleaned upon reboot, so don't use this for saving any work!



Subdirectories of root



/boot	The startup files and the kernel, vmlinuz. In some recent distributions also grub data.	/sbin	Programs for use by the system and the system administrator.
/dev	Contains references to all the CPU peripheral hardware, which are represented as files with special properties.	/usr	Programs, libraries, documentation etc. for all user-related programs.
/initrd	(on some distributions) Information for booting. Do not remove!	/var	Storage for all variable files and temporary files created by users.
/lib	Library files, includes files for all kinds of programs needed by the system and the users.	/net	Standard mount point for entire remote file systems
/lost+found	Every partition has a lost+found in its upper directory. Files that were saved during failures are here.	/opt	Typically contains extra and third party software.
/misc	For miscellaneous purposes.	/root	The administrative user's home directory. "/", the root directory and /root, the home directory of the root user are different

/mnt

Standard mount point for external file systems, e.g. a CD-ROM or a digital camera.



Windows vs Linux



Windows	Linux	Description
This PC	/	File system
C:\		Primary disk
C:\Users	/home	User home directory
C:\Users\another	/home/another	Home directory for A. N. Other
C:\Program Files	/bin /sbin	Programs
C:\Windows	/boot /var	OS files