

Fundamentals - Creating & Manipulating & Installing Digital Career Institute



Goal of the Module

In this sub module, learners will be introduced to various methods to create or manipulate files through the terminal and basic markdown authoring.

- Use the terminal to copy, move and remove files and folders
- Understand the differences between using separate commands and using one command with flags
- Author content using basic common markdown syntax.

Topics

Use the Terminal for :

- creating directories & files
- file permissions
- Copying - deleting - moving - rename
- introduce package managers (brew)
- Introduce markdown

Create Directories

\$ mkdir OPTION <DIRECTORY>

Command description	Command and output
Example creation of a single directory using mkdir with the verbose -v option.	<pre>\$ mkdir -v films mkdir: created directory `films'</pre>
Example creation of nested directory structure. The -p option will create any folders that don't already exist. This example combines mkdir with the -p option.	<pre>\$ mkdir -p /tv/shows/</pre>

Option	Description
-p, --parents	If parent directories in the specified path do not exist, automatically generate them to accommodate (and do not generate an error).
-v, --verbose	Display the operation's execution step by step.
-h, --help	Display help information for this command.

Create files (touch)

touch **OPTION** <filename>

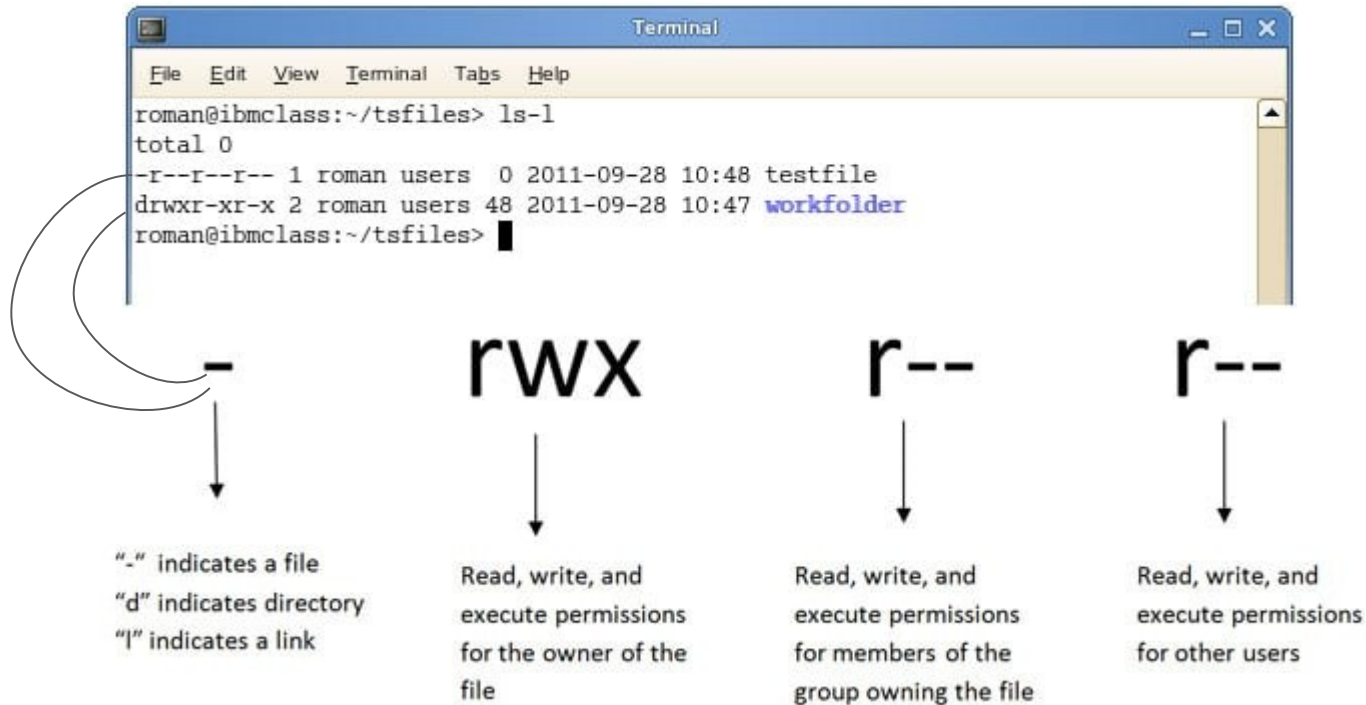
Command description	Command and output
Example creation a new file	<code>\$ touch new-file</code>
Change only access time	<code>\$ touch -a new-file</code>
Change only the modification time	<code>\$ touch -m new-file</code>
Check file state (modification, creating time)	<code>\$ stat new-file</code>

Create files (nano)

Command description	Command and output
Example creation a new file or edit the file if exist	<code>\$ nano newfile</code>
To search for a text, type in the search term, and press Enter. The cursor will move to the first match. To move to the next match, press Alt+w .	<code>Ctrl+w</code>
Same the previous command but with replace	<code>Ctrl+\</code>
Start text selection then move the cursor to the end of the text that you want to select	<code>Alt+a</code>
End selecting	<code>Ctrl+6</code>
Copy selected text	<code>Alt+6</code>
Cut selected text	<code>Ctrl+k</code>
Past text	<code>Ctrl+u</code>
exit	<code>Ctrl+x</code>

File permissions

To show files permissions `ls -l`



The terminal window shows the output of the `ls -l` command. The first line is `-r--r--r--`, which is circled and linked to the first column of the diagram below. The second line is `drwxr-xr-x`, which is linked to the second column. The third line is `1 roman users`, which is linked to the third column. The fourth line is `0 2011-09-28 10:48 testfile`, which is linked to the fourth column. The fifth line is `48 2011-09-28 10:47 workfolder`, which is linked to the fifth column.

Symbol	Meaning
-	"-" indicates a file "d" indicates directory "l" indicates a link
rwx	Read, write, and execute permissions for the owner of the file
r--	Read, write, and execute permissions for members of the group owning the file
r--	Read, write, and execute permissions for other users

File permissions

Command description	Command and output
To add a permission to group owners (w write, x execute, r read) and (g for group, o for other owner, u for users)	<code>\$ chmod g+w filename</code>
To remove a permission to group owners	<code>\$ chmod g-w filename</code>
give only read permission for everyone	<code>\$ chmod a=r folder-name</code>
give read, write, and execute to everyone	<code>\$ chmod ugo+rw folder-name</code>

Copy

\$ cp [options] source dest

Use this command to copy one or more files or directories.

Command description	Command and output
archive files	<code>\$ cp -a</code>
force copy by removing the destination file if needed	<code>\$ cp -f</code>
interactive - ask before overwrite	<code>\$ cp -i</code>
link files instead of copy	<code>\$ cp -l</code>
follow symbolic links	<code>\$ cp -L</code>
no file overwrite	<code>\$ cp -n</code>
recursive copy (including hidden files)	<code>\$ cp -R</code>
update - copy when source is newer than dest	<code>\$ cp -u</code>
verbose - print informative messages	<code>\$ cp -v</code>

Examples

Command description	Command and output
Copy single file main.c to destination directory bak	<pre>\$ cp main.c bak</pre>
Copy 2 files main.c and def.h to destination absolute path directory /home/usr/rapid/	<pre>\$ cp main.c def.h /home/usr/rapid/</pre>
Copy all C files in current directory to subdirectory bak	<pre>\$ cp *.c bak</pre>
Copy directory src to absolute path directory /home/usr/rapid/ :	<pre>\$ cp src /home/usr/rapid/</pre>
Copy all files and directories in dev recursively to subdirectory bak	<pre>\$ cp -R dev bak</pre>
Force file copy	<pre>\$ cp -f test.c bak</pre>
Interactive prompt before file overwrite	<pre>\$ cp -i test.c bak cp: overwrite 'bak/test.c'? y</pre>
Update all files in current directory - copy only newer files to destination directory bak	<pre>\$ cp -u * bak</pre>

Remove

\$ rm OPTION file/directory

Use this command to delete one or more files or directories.

Command description	Command and output
This is applicable if you have defined a list of separate <FILE> entries and one (or more) among them does not exist. The removal will continue without prompting you.	<code>\$ rm -f</code>
Ask before removing files.	<code>\$ rm -i</code>
This option performs a "quick-delete" to remove content recursively.	<code>\$ rm -r</code>
Display the operation's execution step by step.	<code>\$ rm -v</code>

```
$ mv [options] source dest
```

Use this command to rename a single file, or move a single/multiple files.

Command description	Command and output
Ask before overwriting existing files.	<code>\$ mv -i</code>
Display the operation's execution step by step.	<code>\$ mv -v</code>

Use mv to Renaming a file

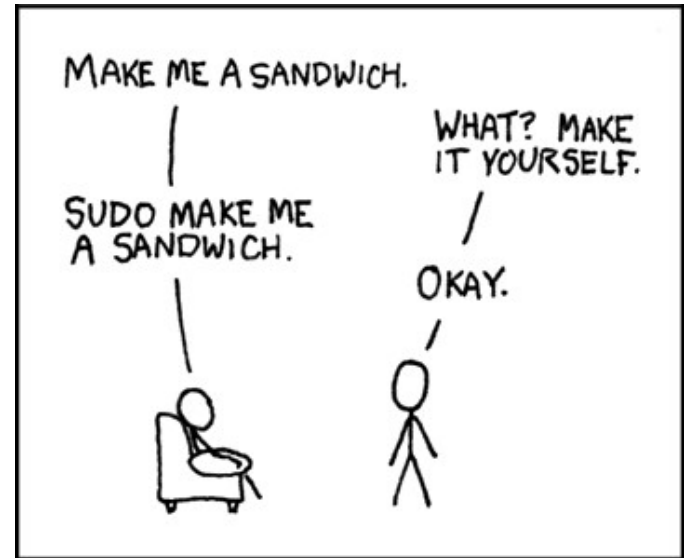
In this example, the file is renamed and kept in the same directory:

```
$ mv -i /123456/test/movie.mp4 /123456/test/movie_old.mp4
```

What is sudo?

Have you ever tried to run a command in terminal only to be given “Access Denied?”

- **Sudo**, the one command to rule them all. It stands for “super user do!”
- It is much better than logging in as root, or using the su “switch user” command.
- If you prefix “sudo” with any command, it will run that command with elevated privileges. Elevated privileges are required to perform certain administrative tasks



Introduce package managers (brew)

What Does Homebrew Do?

- Homebrew installs the software you need.
- Homebrew installs packages to their own directory and then symlinks their files into /usr/local.
- Homebrew won't install files outside its prefix and you can place a Homebrew installation wherever you like.

Example:

Install firefox using brew:

```
$ brew install --cask firefox
```

Introduce package managers (brew)

- Install brew
`$ /bin/bash -c "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/HEAD/install.sh)"`
- First update the formulae and Homebrew itself:
`$ brew update`
- You can now find out what is outdated with:
`$ brew outdated`
- Upgrade everything with:
`$ brew upgrade`
- Upgrade only firefox using brew:
`$ brew upgrade firefox`

Introduce markdown

Markdown is a lightweight markup language for creating formatted text using a plain-text editor

Headings

Markdown	Rendered Output
# Heading level 1	Heading level 1
## Heading level 2	Heading level 2
### Heading level 3	Heading level 3
#### Heading level 4	Heading level 4
##### Heading level 5	Heading level 5
##### Heading level 6	Heading level 6

Bold

Markdown	Rendered Output
I just love bold text .	I just love bold text .
I just love <u>bold text</u> .	I just love bold text .
Love is bold	Love is bold

Introduce markdown

Italic

Bold and Italic

Markdown	Rendered Output	Markdown	Rendered Output
Italicized text is the <code>*cat's meow*</code> .	Italicized text is the <i>cat's meow</i> .	This text is <code>***really important***</code> .	This text is <i>really important</i> .
Italicized text is the <code>_cat's meow_</code> .	Italicized text is the <i>cat's meow</i> .	This text is <code>__really important__</code> .	This text is <i>really important</i> .
<code>A*cat*meow</code>	A <i>cat</i> meow	This text is <code>__*really important*__</code> .	This text is <i>really important</i> .
		This text is <code>**_really important_**</code> .	This text is <i>really important</i> .
		This is <code>really***very***important text</code> .	This is really <i>very</i> important text.

Introduce markdown

Blockquotes

To create a blockquote, add a > in front of a paragraph.

> Dorothy followed her through many of the beautiful rooms in her castle.
Dorothy followed her through many of the beautiful rooms in her castle.

Dorothy followed her through many of the beautiful rooms in her castle.

Blockquotes with Multiple Paragraphs

> Dorothy followed her through many of the beautiful rooms in her castle.

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> The Witch bade her clean the pots and kettles and sweep the floor and keep the fire fed with wood.

Dorothy followed her through many of the beautiful rooms in her castle.

The Witch bade her clean the pots and kettles and sweep the floor and keep the fire fed with wood.

Introduce markdown

Ordered Lists

Markdown	Rendered Output
<pre>1. First item 2. Second item 3. Third item 4. Fourth item</pre>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. First item2. Second item3. Third item4. Fourth item
<pre>1. First item 2. Second item 3. Third item 1. Indented item 2. Indented item 4. Fourth item</pre>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. First item2. Second item3. Third item<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Indented item2. Indented item4. Fourth item

Unordered Lists

Markdown	Rendered Output
<pre>- First item - Second item</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● First item● Second item
<pre>* First item * Second item</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● First item● Second item
<pre>+ First item + Second item</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● First item● Second item
<pre>- First item - Second item - Third item - Indented item - Indented item</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● First item● Second item● Third item<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Indented item○ Indented item

Introduce markdown

Code Blocks

Code blocks are normally indented four spaces or one tab. When they're in a list, indent them eight spaces or two tabs.

Images

```
![alternative text if image link is broken](image link)
```

Links

```
[link text](link)
```

```
[DCI](https://digitalcareerinstitute.org/)
```

output

[DCI](https://digitalcareerinstitute.org/)

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