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Lab Assignment 2

Part 1: Execution of Commands

1. **pwd Command**---- checks his current directory:

pwd -> Output: /home/somy/documents

2. **ls Command** – Lists files and directories in the current directory:

Output: file1.txt file2.txt folder1 folder2

3. **cd Command** – Changes to another directory:

cd /home/somy/projects -> No output.

4. **mkdir Command** – Creates a new directory:

mkdir new_folder

Output: (No output, but new_folder is created in /home/somy/documents)

5. **touch Command** – Creates an empty file:

touch newfile.txt

Output: (No output, but newfile.txt is created in /home/somy/documents)

6. **rm Command** – Deletes a file:

rm newfile.txt

Output: (No output, but newfile.txt is deleted)

7. **hostname Command** – Displays the system's hostname:

hostname

Output: somy-PC

8. mv Command – Renames or moves a file:

```
mv backup.txt folder1/backup.txt
```

Output: (No output, but backup.txt is moved to /home/somy/documents/folder1/)

9. cat Command – Displays file content:

```
cat file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays contents of file1.txt)

10. echo Command – Prints a message or writes to a file:

```
echo "Hello, Somy!"
```

Output: Hello, Somy!

11. fgrep Command – Searches for an exact word or phrase in a file:

```
fgrep "test" file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays lines in file1.txt containing the exact word "test")

12. chmod Command – Changes file permissions:

```
chmod 755 file1.txt
```

Output: (No output, but file1.txt now has new permissions)

13. cp Command – Copies a file or directory:

```
cp file1.txt backup.txt
```

Output: (No output, but file1.txt is copied as backup.txt)

14. more Command – Displays file content page by page:

```
more file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays file1.txt one screen at a time; press Space to scroll)

15. grep Command – Searches inside files for text:

```
grep "keyword" file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays lines in file1.txt containing "keyword")

16. less Command – Similar to more, but allows backward navigation:

```
less file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays file1.txt with the ability to scroll up and down using arrow keys)

17. tail Command – Displays the last 10 lines of a file:

```
tail file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays the last 10 lines of file1.txt)

18. wc Command – Counts words, lines, and characters in a file:

```
wc file1.txt
```

Output: 10 50 200 file1.txt (Shows lines, words, and characters in file1.txt)

19. awk Command – Extracts and manipulates text in a file:

```
awk '{print $1}' file1.txt
```

Output: (Displays the first word from each line of file1.txt)

20. sed Command – Edits text in a file:

```
sed 's/test/example/' file1.txt
```

Output: (Replaces the first occurrence of "test" with "example" in each line of file1.txt)

Part 2:

1. How to navigate to a Specific Directory?

- Use the `cd` command followed by the directory path:

`cd /path/to/directory`

- To go back one level, use:

`cd ..`

- To return to your home directory:

`cd ~`

- To navigate to the previous directory:

`cd -`

2. How to see detailed information about files and directories using `ls`?

- Use the `-l` option to list files with details:

`ls -l`

- Use the `-a` option to show hidden files:

`ls -a`

- Combine both options for a detailed view including hidden files:

`ls -la`

3. How to create multiple directories in Linux using `mkdir`?

- To create multiple directories at once:

```
mkdir dir1 dir2 dir3
```

- To create nested directories:

```
mkdir -p parent/child/grandchild
```

4. How to remove multiple files at once with rm?

- To delete multiple files:

```
rm file1.txt file2.txt file3.txt
```

- To delete all .txt files in a directory:

```
rm *.txt
```

5. Can rm be used to delete directories?

- Yes, use rm -r to delete directories and their contents:

```
rm -r directory_name
```

6. How do you copy files and directories in Linux?

- To copy a file:

```
cp source.txt destination.txt
```

- To copy a directory:

```
cp -r source_directory/ destination_directory/
```

7. How to rename a file in Linux using mv?

- Use the mv command:

```
mv oldname.txt newname.txt
```

8. How to move multiple files in Linux using mv?

- Move multiple files to a directory:

```
mv file1.txt file2.txt /destination/
```

9. How to create multiple empty files using touch?

- To create multiple files at once:

```
touch file1.txt file2.txt file3.txt
```

10. How to view the content of multiple files in Linux?

- Use cat to display multiple files:

```
cat file1.txt file2.txt
```

- Use more to read large files one page at a time:

```
more file1.txt
```

11. How to create a file and add content using cat?

- Create a file and enter text:

```
cat > myfile.txt
```

- Press **Ctrl + D** to save and exit.

12. How to append the contents of one file to another using cat?

- Append content of file1.txt to file2.txt:

```
cat file1.txt >> file2.txt
```

13. How to use cat if the file has too much content?

- Use less to navigate through large files:

```
cat file.txt | less
```

14. How to merge contents of multiple files using cat?

- Merge file1.txt and file2.txt into merged.txt:

```
cat file1.txt file2.txt > merged.txt
```

15. How to append to an existing file using cat?

- Append text to an existing file:

```
cat >> myfile.txt
```

- Press **Ctrl + D** to save and exit.
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16. What is chmod 777, chmod 755, and chmod +x?

- `chmod 777 file.txt` → Full permissions (read, write, execute) for all users.

```
chmod 777 file.txt
```


- `chmod 755 file.txt` → Owner has full permissions; others can only read and execute.

`chmod 755 file.txt`

- `chmod +x file.txt` → Makes the file executable.

`chmod +x file.txt`

17. How to find the number of lines that match a string?

- Use `grep -c` to count occurrences:

`grep -c "pattern" file.txt`

18. How to display files that contain a specific string?

- Use `grep -l` to list matching files:

`grep -l "pattern" *.txt`

19. How to show line numbers of matches?

- Use `grep -n` to show matching lines with numbers:

`grep -n "pattern" file.txt`

20. How to match lines that start with a string using grep?

- Use `^` to match the beginning of lines:

`grep "^string" file.txt`

21. Can the sort command be used to sort files in descending order by default?

- No, but you can sort in descending order using -r:

```
sort -r file.txt
```

22. How can I sort a file based on a specific column using the sort command?

- Sort a file based on the second column:

```
sort -k2 file.txt
```

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