

## Unit-V7. Linux

### Operating System

Rise of Linux  
1990 - Present

Multi user -  
Multi tasking

### History of Linux

In 1960, a special OS Multics was developed at AT and T laboratories, then in 1969 Ken Thompson & Dennis Ritchie developed UNIX OS by using features of Multics OS. In 1973, it was rewritten by Dennis in C. The first version freely distributed to Berkeley & California University. Berkeley, after making some changes, released own version by BSD. After it UNIX gone through many changes and new version released.

Andrew Tanenbaum developed educational version of Unix called Minix and distributed it among students. Then it modified by LINUS Torvalds make pc version of minix and named LINUX. Its basic services are email, networking, web browser etc.

### History of Unix

In early 1960, when researcher from General Electric carried out special projects of OS, Multics. It was multiuser time sharing OS. Ken Thompson and Dennis Ritchie developed Unix OS based on Multics in 1969. It was distributed free to computer science departt. It generates a lot of interest in world. Educational version of Unix called minix was developed. Basic features, email, networking etc.



## Overview of Linux (characteristics)

The main features of Linux are as follows:-

i> Full Multitasking:- It is a multitasking system, allows many users to run many programs simultaneously.

ii> X Window System:- It is de facto industry standard graphics system for Unix.

iii> TCP/IP Support:- It is a set of protocol that links millions of university and businesses into as Internet.

iv> Virtual Memory and Shared Libraries:- It uses the portion of drive as virtual memory to expand available size of RAM and also implement shared libraries.

### Disad:

- i) Not user friendly
- ii) Not easy to learn
- iii) No standard official

v> GNU Software Support:- It supports a wide range of free software written by GNU project.

vi> Cheaper:- It is free available on Internet.

vii> Performance:- It provides high performance on networks and workstation.

viii> Security:- It is flexible file access prevent it by unwanted viruses.



## Structures of Linux

Linux can be divided into three basic components :-

i> Kernel :- It is the core of OS. It is the main program in the system that helps to run applications and manage hardware. When the system is booted and is loaded into memory, it communicates directly with hardware. The application programs access the kernel through system calls.

iv> Shell (interface b/w user & kernel)

v> File System

vi> User Space (application, user command)

vii> Hardware

ii> System Libraries :- It defines a standard set of functions through which applications can interact with kernel which implements OS functionality.

iii> System Utilities :- The programs that perform individual and specialized management tasks. Some utilities are invoked once and others may run permanently. The Linux system uses a variety of made programs like system utilities and user utilities.  
Ex- file manager & system management utility.

## Linux Releases

It is a set of files for a complete Linux system. These are identified by numbers. These numbers are in form of X.Y.Z, where X lies between 0 to 9, Y.Z in 0 to 99. The higher the number the newer is the release.



A release consists of different components called series of disk. Each series is referred by its name.

Some of releases of Linux are:-

- i> The Red Hat software Inc. Release
- ii> Slackware
- iii> The softlanding Linux system Release
- iv> Trans-Ameritech
- v> Jaggedrasil Plug and play Linux

### Linux System Requirements

The following hardware require to install Linux on computer:-

- i> Processor:- It supports all versions of Pentium processor.
- ii> Mother Board:- It supports all standard buses.
- iii> RAM:- It need 16 MB of RAM for better performance.
- iv> Hard Disk:- It requires only 250 MB of freedisk.
- v> Network Adapter:- In client-server architecture, it needs for server and client.

### Linux Commands and Filters

- i> pwd:- The print working directory command prints the current location on which works executed.

Syntax:

pwd



ii) cd:- The change directory command changes the current directory.

Syntax

cd <dirname>

iii) mkdir:- The make directory command makes a new directory in the system.

Syntax

mkdir <dirname>

iv) rmdir:- This command is used to delete directory. (remove)

Syntax

rmdir <dirname>

v) ls:- The list command shows full list of directory.

Syntax

ls

vi) rm:- The remove command is used to remove a file permanently.

Syntax

rm <filename>

vii) cp:- The copy command is used to copy a file or directory.

Syntax

cp <existing file name> <new file name>

viii) mv:- The move command moves directory or file system.

Syntax

mv [options] [-T] sourcedestination



ix) head:- The head command displays starting content of file.

10 line

Syntax

head &lt;file name&gt;

x) tail:- The tail command displays last line of file.

Line

Syntax

tail &lt;file name&gt;

xi) cat:- The cat command displays content of file.

Syntax

cat &lt;file name&gt;

xii) cut:- The cut command selects a specific column of file.

view  
editSyntax

cut -d (delimiter) -f (column Number) &lt;filename&gt;

xiii) grep:- The global regular expression print command filters the content of file.

Syntax

grep [options] [search term] filename

xiv) wc:- The word count command helps in counting words, lines in a file.

Syntax

wc &lt;filename&gt;

xv) sort:- The sort command sorts the file content in alphabetical order.

Syntax

sort &lt;filename&gt;



xvii) date:- The date command displays time and date.

syntax

date

xviii) who:- The who command gives information about users logged on to system.

syntax

who

xix) pr:- This command paginates files for printing.

syntax:

pr [option]... [file]...

xx) paste:- The paste command pastes the corresponding lines from each file.

syntax

paste [option]... [file]...

xxi) nl:- The number line commands numbers the line in file.

syntax

nl [option]... [file]...

Conclusion

File Search Commands

xxii) Find:- The find command is used for searching files.

Syntax:

find <pathname>



ii> Locate:- The locate command is used to search files quickly based on index.

Syntax:

locate <filename>

iii> Which:- The 'which' command is used to find path of a command.

Syntax:

which <ls>

### Process Management Command

i> ps:- The 'ps' command shows the running process.

Syntax

ps

ii> top:- The 'top' command shows real-time usage of resource.

Syntax

top

iii> kill:- The 'kill' command terminates process by its ID

Syntax

kill <process ID>

iv> bg:- The 'bg' command resumes a suspended job in background.

Syntax

bg <%1>

v> fg:- The 'fg' command brings a background job to foreground.

Syntax

fg <%1>



## VI - Editor

VI, emacs are  
the editors

The 'Visual Editor' is a powerful, terminal based text editor used on Unix or Linux system. It allows you to create, edit and modify text files directly from command line. It is fast, efficient and available by default on every Linux or Unix system.

### Basic Concept of VI

It has two main concept:-

i> <sup>(default mode)</sup> Normal Mode: It is default mode where you can move around the text and deleting or copying text.

'i' for insert

i> Insert Mode: It is the mode where typing and editing of text is done.

'Esc' for return

### How to Start VI

To open a file in VI, type

bash

copy code

vi filename

### Basic commands in VI

#### Navigation in Normal Mode

- Arrow key: Move the cursor up, down etc.
- h: Move cursor ~~down~~ left
- j: Move cursor ~~up~~ down
- k: Move cursor up
- l: Move cursor right
- gg: Go to beginning of file.



### Editing Text (Insert Mode)

- i - Switch to insert mode before cursor
- I - Switch to insert at beginning of current line.
- a - Switch to insert mode after cursor
- A - Switch to insert at end of current line
- o - Open a new line below the current line.
- O - Open a new line above current line.

### Saving and Editing

- Save the file
- or ZZ: Save and exit file
- Quit
- !: Quiz without saving change
- Save and Quit

### Deleting Text

- x: Delete character under cursor
- dd: Delete entire current line
- d+movement: Delete text from cursor's position up to specified movement.

### Copying and Pasting Text

- yy: Copy the current line
- yw: Copy the current word
- p: Paste copied text after cursor
- P: Paste copied text before cursor

### Undo and Redo

- u: Undo the last action
- Ctrl+r: Redo the last undone action



### Uses of VI

- Fast and Efficient: It works entirely in the system so, it is fast and efficient.
- Powerful: It has many commands that allows for complex editing task.
- Always available: It's pre-installed on most Unix and Linux system so it's reliable.

### Shell Script

A shell script is a file that contains a series of commands that are executed by a shell (Bash, Zsh etc). It allows to automate tasks in Unix and Linux system.

It is a way to write a sequence of instructions for computer to follow. It is useful for task that need to be repeated or for automating complex processes.

### Why Use Shell Scripts

- i> Automation: Commands can write in a script and run at once.
- ii> Efficiency: It saves time with re-use of command.
- iii> Task Scheduling: Run the script periodically for using 'cron' jobs.
- iv> Customization: Writing script for managing file, system monitoring or software installation.



Q. Write a shell program to find average of three numbers.

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Enter three integers"
read a
read b
read c
sum='expr $a + $b + $c'
arg='expr $sum / 3'
dec='expr \($dec \* 1000\) / 3'
echo "Sum = $sum"
echo "Average = $arg.$dec"
```

### Output

Enter three integers

10

20

30

Sum = 60

Average = 20

Pipe :- The pipe is generally a connection between two or more processes that are inter-related to each other.

It is a way used for Inter Process Communication using message passing. With the help of pipes, one process can easily send information such as output of one program which works as input to other.

Communication may be -

i) Single way or, ii) double way.