

Command line stuff

List (ls)

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ls [options] [paths]
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Format

-l	One entry per line
-l	Long view
-o	Long view (without groups)
-C	Multicolumn (sorted horizontally)
-x	Multicolumn (sorted vertically)
-F	Add / after directories
-G	Color

Options

-R	Recurse
-a	Include hidden (dotfiles)
-A	Include hidden (but not . and ..)

Sorting

-r	reverse order
-S	sort by size
-t	sort by time modified
-u	sort by time accessed
-U	sort by time created
-c	sort by time status was changed
-h	Human-readable size (3k)

Tail

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tail [-F | -f | -r] [-bN | -cN | -nN] [file ...]
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Modes

-f	follow
-F	follow by filename (accounts for log rotation)
-r	Reverse order

Options

-bN	N*512 bytes
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-cN	N bytes
-nN	N lines
+N	Start from line N

Sudo

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sudo [options] <command>
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Listing

-l	List allowed commands
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Options

-A	Use \$SUDO_ASKPASS
-b	Run in background
-E	Preserve environment
-H	use target's \$HOME
-n	Don't prompt for password
-P	Preserve group vector
-S	Read password from stdin

File descriptors

-C fd	Close all open file descriptors
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Prompt

-p prompt	Custom prompt (-p "%p password:")
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Interactive

-i [cmd]	Interactive shell without variables
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-s [cmd]	Interactive shell
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-u user	run as this user
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-g group	run as this group
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Timestamp

-v	revalidate timestamp for 5 mins
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-k	invalidate timestamp
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-K	just like -k
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wc (Word count)

... | wc [options]

-c	Bytes
-l	Lines
-m	Characters (incl multi-byte)
-w	Words

Search-and-replace in all files

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perl -p -i -e 's/hello/HELLO/g' **/*
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Grep

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grep [options] [pattern] [file ...]
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Options

-A num	Print num lines of training context
-G	-basic-regexp (default)
-E	-extended-regexp
-P	-perl-regexp

<code>-f file</code>	<code>-file</code> (Get patterns for file)
<code>-F</code>	<code>-fixed-strings</code>
<code>-h</code>	<code>-no-filename</code>
<code>-H</code>	<code>-with-filename</code>
<code>-l</code>	<code>-files-with-matches</code> (just print filenames)
<code>-L</code>	<code>-files-without-match</code>
<code>-r, -R</code>	<code>-recursive</code>
<code>-v</code>	<code>-invert-match</code>
<code>-i</code>	<code>-ignore-case</code>

Synonyms

`egrep` => `grep -E`
`fgrep` => `grep -F`