Lab 5 | Handling Text Files

Question 1

Cat, head and tail commands are used for displaying the content of a file.

1. Display the content of the /etc/passwd file.

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waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2: ~/cis106/CIS-106-... Q = - □ &

waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2: ~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
```

2. Display the content of the /etc/passwd file in reverse order.

3. Display the content of the /etc/passwd file with line numbers and the \$ to indicate the end of every line.

4. Display the first 5 lines of a the /etc/passwd file.

5. Display the last 5 lines of the /etc/passwd file.

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at
         waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2: ~/cis106/CIS-106-...
                                                                  Q
                                                                                  ualtergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ head -5 /etc/pas
 root:x:u:u:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
 bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
Wsys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
 svnc:x:4:65534:svnc:/bin:/bin/svnc
 waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ tail -5 /etc/pas
 swd
sssd:x:120:131:5550 system user,,,:/var/lib/sss:/usr/sbin/nologinsswaltergnr:x:1000:1000:Walter,,,:/home/waltergnr:/bin/bash
 systemd-coredump:x:999:999:systemd Core Dumper:/:/usr/sbin/nologin
  flatpak:x:127:136:Flatpak system-wide installation helper,,,:/nonexistent:/usr/_
thsbin/nologin
 lightdm:x:128:137:Light Display Manager:/var/lib/lightdm:/bin/false
 waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$
```

Question 2

The cut command is very useful when working with files that are already formatted using a field separator. The cut command can show specific information about each line of text in a given file.

1. Display the first field of the /etc/passwd file.

2. Display the last 5 users in the /etc/passwd file.

```
waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ tail -5 /etc/pas
swd | cut -d ':' -f 1
sssd
waltergnr
asystemd-coredump
_flatpak
lightdm
```

3. Display a list of all the users and their designated login shell separated by an = sign.

```
waltergnr:/home/waltergnr
systemd-coredump:/
_flatpak:/nonexistent
lightdm:/var/lib/lightdm

lace
exwaltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ cut -d ':' -f 1,
6 /etc/passwd | tr ':' '='
root=/root
daemon=/usr/sbin
bin=/bin
sys=/dev
sync=/bin
```

4. The sort command is another amazing tool in any linux user's tool box. Sort allows you to display data in a given order. Cut the first and 3rd field of the /etc/passwd field and sort the output.

```
waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ cut -d ':' -f 1, 3 /etc/passwd | sort
usir_apt:105
avahi:115
Tavahi-autoipd:109
(backup:34
```

5. Repeat the previous command but this time only show the last 5 entries.

```
lightdm=/var/lib/lightdm
waltergnr@waltergnr-ThinkPad-E14-Gen-2:~/cis106/CIS-106-1/lab5$ tail -5 /etc/pas
vswd | cut -d ':' -f 1.3 | sort
_flatpak:127
lightdm:128
Gr
```

Question 3

The wc command is used to count the number of lines, characters and words in a file.

- 1. How many lines does the /etc/passwd file have?
- 2. How many words does the /etc/passwd file have?

- 3. How many users can login with the /bin/bash shell?
- 4. How many users have the /sbin/nologin shell assigned?

```
student@student-VirtualBox:~
$ grep /bin/bash /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
student:x:1000:1000:cis106vm,,,:/home/student:/bin/bash
student@student-VirtualBox:~
$ grep /sbin/nologin /etc/passwd
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
```

5. Display your user's information in /etc/passwd file

```
student@student-VirtualBox:~$ grep $USER /etc/passwd
student:x:1000:1000:cis106vm,,:/home/student:/bin/bash
student@student-VirtualBox:~$ []
```

Question 4

Run the ip ad command and display all the lines that match the string inet. How many lines did you get?

```
[student@student-VirtualBox:~$ ip ad | grep 'inet'
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host to
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
    inet 192.168.1.213/24 brd 192.168.1.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute e
np0s3
    inet6 fe80::48cd:9391:7776:3f05/64 scope link noprefixroute
    student@student-VirtualBox:~$ ip ad | grep 'inet' | wc -l
    student@student-VirtualBox:~$
```

2. Run the ip ad command and display all the lines that match the string inet6. Display the output in reverse order.

- 3. Run the ip ad command and display all the lines that match the string inet or inet 6 sort the output and save it to a file.
- 4. Run the ip ad command and display only the 3rd line that matches the string inet.
- 5. Run the ip ad command and display all the ipv4 addresses sorted.

```
[student@student-VirtualBox:~$ ip ad | grep -E 'inet|inet6' | sort > ~/Downloads/
ipadress.txt
student@student-VirtualBox:~$ ip ad | grep 'inet' | head -3 | tail -1
inet 192.168.1.213/24 brd 192.168.1.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute e
np0s3
student@student-VirtualBox:~$ ip ad | grep -E '([0-9]{1,3}[\.]){3}[0-9]{1,3}'
inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
inet 192.168.1.213/24 brd 192.168.1.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute e
np0s3
student@student-VirtualBox:~$
```

Question 5

- 1. Run the following command and save the output to a markdown file: echo "# Information about my pc". You can use any naming convention you want for the file as long as it is a markdown file.
- 2. Run the following command and append the output to the markdown file you created earlier: echo "## CPU Information"
- 3. The lscpu command displays a lot of information about the CPU the computer has. Use the lscpu, grep, and the pipe (|) to extract, and append to the file you created earlier, the following information from the output of the lscpu command:
 - Architecture
 - Threads
 - Cores
 - Model name
 - CPU Frequency

- Virtualiation technology supported
- 4. Run the following command and append the output to the markdown file you created earlier: echo "## RAM Information"
- 5. The command lshw -c memory displays information about the RAM installed in your system. Extract and append to the file the following information:
 - Memory size:
- 6. Display the content of the file you created earlier showing all the data that has been appended so far.

```
student@student-VirtualBox: $ echo "# Information about my pc" > ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ echo "## CPU Information" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lscpu | grep -i "Architecture" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lscpu | grep -i "Thread(s) per core" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lscpu | grep -i "Core(s) per socket" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lscpu | grep -i "Model name" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lscpu | grep -i "CPU MHz" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lscpu | grep -i "Virtualization type" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ echo "## RAM Information" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
student@student-VirtualBox: $ lshw -c memory | grep -i "size:" >> ~/CIS-106/lab5/mypc.md
warning: you should run this program as super-user.
warning: output may be incomplete or inaccurate, you should run this program as super-user.
student@student-VirtualBox:~$ |
```

```
mypc.md
    Open
                                                                                   Save
                                                   -/CIS-106/lab5
    # Information about my pc
  2 ## CPU Information
  3 Architecture:
                                        x86_64
  4 Thread(s) per core:
                                        1
  5 Core(s) per socket:
  6 Model name:
                                        Intel(R) Core(TM) i9-9900K CPU @ 3.60GHz
  7 CPU MHz:
                                        3600.000
  8 Virtualization type:
                                        full
  9 ## RAM Information
٩F
            size: 2GiB
```