Preparation



- · install docker
- install terminal emulator (optional)

Linux commands tutorial

commands we will cover in this topic

Session 1

1. ls (list):

Description: Lists the files and directories in the current directory.

Function: Displays the contents of a directory.

Example: Is

2. mkdir (make directory):

Description: Creates a new directory.

Function: Creates a new directory with the specified name.

Example: mkdir new_directory

3. cd (change directory):

Description: Changes the current working directory.

Function: Allows the user to navigate between directories.

Example: cd Documents

4. Environment variables:

Description: Variables that contain information about the environment in which a

process runs.

Function: Store information that can be accessed by programs and scripts.

Example: \$HOME, \$PATH

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5. Path environment variable:

Description: Contains a list of directories where the system looks for executable files.

Function: Allows the user to run programs from any directory without specifying

the full path.

Example: \$PATH

6. Bash files:

Description: Scripts written in the Bash shell scripting language. Function: Automate tasks by executing a series of commands.

Example: script.sh

7. zprofiles:

Description: Configuration files for the Z shell (zsh).

Function: Customize the behavior and appearance of the Z shell.

Example: .zshrc

8. Where are environment variables stored:

Description: Environment variables are stored in the shell's memory.

Function: Allows programs and scripts to access and use the information stored in

the variables.

Example: In the shell's memory

9. pwd (print working directory):

Description: Prints the current working directory.

Function: Displays the full path of the current directory.

Example: pwd

10. ls -r (list recursively):

Description: Lists files and directories recursively.

Function: Displays the contents of a directory and its subdirectories.

Example: Is -r

11. cat (concatenate):

Description: Displays the contents of a file.

Function: Concatenates and displays the contents of one or more files.

Example: cat file.txt

12. man (manual):

Description: Displays the manual pages for a command.

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Function: Provides detailed information about a specific command.

Example: man Is

13. tr (translate):

Description: Translates characters in a file or stream.

Function: Replaces or deletes characters in a file or stream.

Example: tr 'a-z' 'A-Z' < file.txt

14. touch:

Description: Creates an empty file.

Function: Updates the access and modification timestamps of a file or creates a

new empty file.

Example: touch new_file.txt

15. cp (copy):

Description: Copies files or directories.

Function: Copies files or directories from one location to another.

Example: cp file.txt new_directory/

16. mv (move):

Description: Moves or renames files or directories.

Function: Moves files or directories to a new location or renames them.

Example: mv file.txt new_location/

17. rm (remove):

Description: Deletes files or directories.

Function: Removes files or directories from the system.

Example: rm file.txt

18. cp -R (copy recursively):

Description: Copies files and directories recursively.

Function: Copies files and directories along with their subdirectories and contents.

Example: cp -R directory/ new_directory/

19. Renaming a file:

Description: Changing the name of a file.

Function: Updates the name of a file to a new name.

Example: mv old_file.txt new_file.txt

20. Deleting a directory:

Description: Removing a directory and its contents.

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Function: Deletes a directory along with all its files and subdirectories.

Example: rm -r directory/

21. sudo (superuser do):

Description: Allows a user to execute commands with superuser privileges.

Function: Grants elevated permissions to perform administrative tasks.

Example: sudo apt-get update

22. df (disk free):

Description: Displays disk space usage.

Function: Shows the amount of disk space used and available on filesystems.

Example: df -h

23. head:

Description: Displays the first few lines of a file.

Function: Shows the beginning of a file.

Example: head file.txt

24. tail:

Description: Displays the last few lines of a file.

Function: Shows the end of a file.

Example: tail file.txt

25. diff (difference):

Description: Compares two files and shows the differences.

Function: Highlights the changes between two files.

Example: diff file1.txt file2.txt

26. locate:

Description: Searches for files and directories on the system.

Function: Finds files and directories based on their names.

Example: locate file.txt

27. find:

Description: Searches for files and directories based on specified criteria.

Function: Locates files and directories based on various attributes.

Example: find /home -name "*.txt"

Session 2

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1. File Permissions:

Description: File permissions determine who can read, write, or execute a file on a

Unix-like operating system.

Functions: chmod command is used to change file permissions.

Example: chmod 755 file.txt

2. Changing File Permissions:

Description: Allows users to change the permissions of a file or directory.

Functions: chmod command is used to change file permissions.

Example: chmod 644 file.txt

3. chown:

Description: Changes the owner and group of a file or directory.

Functions: chown command is used to change the owner and group of a file.

Example: chown user:group file.txt

4. Performing an Action on Multiple Files:

Description: Allows users to perform an action on multiple files at once.

Functions: Use wildcards or loops in the command to perform actions on multiple

files.

Example: rm *.txt

5. grep:

Description: Searches for patterns in text using regular expressions.

Functions: grep command is used to search for a specific pattern in a file.

Example: grep "pattern" file.txt

6. History:

Description: Displays a list of previously executed commands.

Functions: history command is used to display a list of previously executed

commands.

Example: history

7. Regex:

Description: Regular expressions are patterns used to match character combinations in strings.

Functions: Used in commands like grep to search for specific patterns in text.

Example: [0-9]{3}

8. Regex Command:

Description: Allows users to use regular expressions in commands.

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Functions: Use regular expressions in commands to search for specific patterns in

text.

Example: grep -E "[0-9]{3}" file.txt

9. Alias Command:

Description: Creates a shortcut or alias for a command.

Functions: alias command is used to create shortcuts for frequently used

commands.

Example: alias II='ls -l'

10. Terminal Shortcuts:

Description: Keyboard shortcuts that can be used in the terminal to perform

actions quickly.

Functions: Use keyboard shortcuts to navigate, edit, and execute commands in the

terminal.

Example: Ctrl + C to stop a running command

11. wget:

Description: Downloads files from the internet using HTTP, HTTPS, or FTP

protocols.

Functions: wget command is used to download files from a URL.

Example: wget http://example.com/file.txt

12. top:

Description: Displays real-time information about system processes and resource

usage.

Functions: top command is used to monitor system processes and resource usage.

Example: top

13. uname:

Description: Displays information about the system and kernel.

Functions: uname command is used to display system information.

Example: uname -a

14. zip:

Description: Compresses files into a zip archive.

Functions: zip command is used to compress files into a zip archive.

Example: zip archive.zip file1.txt file2.txt

15. unzip:

Description: Extracts files from a zip archive.

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Functions: unzip command is used to extract files from a zip archive.

Example: unzip archive.zip

16. hostname:

Description: Displays or sets the system's hostname.

Functions: hostname command is used to display or set the system's hostname.

Example: hostname

17. useradd:

Description: Adds a new user to the system.

Functions: useradd command is used to add a new user to the system.

Example: useradd newuser

18. userdel:

Description: Deletes a user from the system.

Functions: userdel command is used to delete a user from the system.

Example: userdel olduser

Session 3

These commands are commonly used in operating systems to gather information about the system, manage processes, and perform various networking tasks.

- 1scpu: This command displays information about the CPU architecture and processing units.
- free: This command displays the amount of free and used memory in the system.
- vmstat: This command displays virtual memory statistics including information about processes, memory, paging, block IO, traps, and CPU activity.
- id: This command displays the user and group IDs of the current user.
- getent: This command retrieves entries from databases configured in /etc/nsswitch.conf file.
- id User: This command displays the user and group IDs of a specific user.
- 1sof: This command lists open files and the processes that opened them.

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 nslookup: This command is used to query DNS servers to obtain domain name or IP address mapping.

- netstat: This command displays network connections, routing tables, interface statistics, masquerade connections, and multicast memberships.
- sed: This command is used for text manipulation and transformation.
- cut: This command is used to extract sections from each line of files.
- htop: This command is an interactive process viewer and system monitor.
- ps aux: This command displays information about all running processes in a system.

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