

Advance Linux Process Management(Ubuntu,Centos,OpenSuse)

There are some advance process monitoring tools for Linux Operating system. Some of them are explaining bellow

htop:

Most system administrator familiar with Linux have used the *top* command line utility to see what process is taking the most CPU or memory. There's a similar utility called *htop* that is much easier to use for normal tasks. It's interactive, real-time and most importantly its very user friendly and you can see the CPU utilization at a glance.

But to use the *htop* utility we have to install it first. Because By default it is not installed in the operating system

Installing Process of htop in linux(with Different Package management):

Ubuntu:

=> **sudo apt install htop**

Centos:

for installing in centos we just need to add an EPEL repository so yum can find it.

=>**sudo yum -y install epel-release**

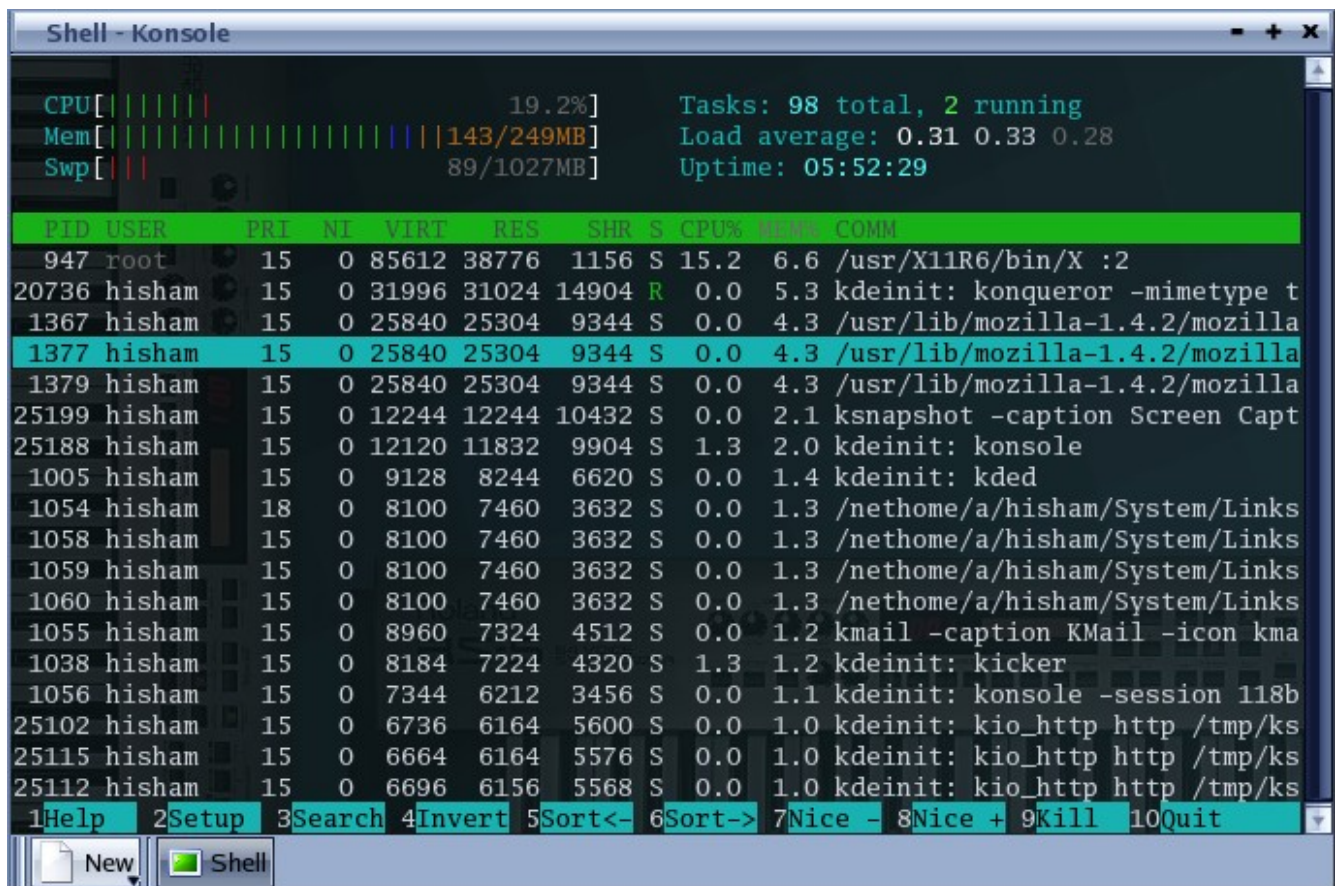
=>**sudo yum -y update**

=>**sudo yum install htop**

After a successful install we have to type

=>**sudo htop**

we should see the status of your system



It almost looks like the top command but is more interactive and more user friendly.

Let's talk about each option of the htop utility.

- 1) First option is the CPU which shows us the CPU utilization percentage and also in a graph mode
- 2) Second option is the memory option which shows the actual memory which is used.
- 3) Third Option is the Swap space that is used by the system
- 4) Next option on the right portion is Task. It shows the total, Threads and the Running task
- 5) Next option shows the Load average of the system

6) Third option shows on the right shows the Uptime of the server shows the amount of time server is running

The lower Part provides details of the process just like top command lets see it again

Name Of The Header	Description
PID	Every Process has a unique process id (the so called PID).the process id is very important. For example you want to kill a process then you need to provide the process id for that
USER	The name of the users the process is using .many process are run as root so you can see it quite often
PRI	It shows the priority of the process. This number is an indication that when the process will get the CPU cycles again. Lower the value higher the priority. Process with a higher priority will have the CPU cycle sooner. And lower priority process get the CPU cycle later
NI	The NICE value of the process .With the Help of the NICE value we can change the process Priority
VIRT	Total amount of Memory claimed by the process
RES	The memory size that the process is using at that moment
SHR	The amount of Shared memory that the process is sharing with other processed

S	Shows the status of the processed 'R' means it is running 'S' means it is in sleeping mode 'Z' means its a zombie process 'T' means stopped, either by a job control signal 'D' means uninterruptible sleep
%CPU	The amount of CPU that is used by the last pooling cycle (which is typically 5 seconds)
%MEM	The amount of MEMORY that is used by the last pooling cycle (which is typically 5 seconds)
TIME	It indicates the total amount of CPU time that the process has used since it was started
COMMAND	This is the command that started the processed

the most useful option is the option on the bottom .There are 10 option on the bottom of the screen

Name	Description
F1	Its the help option. it contains the descriptions of every other option and short codes
F2	Setup option with this option you can customize the appearance of the htop utility .you can also set the color of the output and your desired option with this option. you can set which column should be there and which column should not

F3

With this option you can search a particular process just type F3 and the name of the process to find it.

F4

You can filter the process with this command. if you write a process name and it will show all the process's name with the same command name

F6

F6 is the sort option. you can sort the process by different options. you can sort the process by PID,USER,Priority,Time etc

F7

F7 is used to decrease the Nice value of any process the lower the Nice value the greater the priority

F8

F8 is used to increase the Nice value of any process the higher the Nice value the lower the priority

F9

It's the kill command you select a process and press F9 it will show you a list of signals that you want to send to that process. That's how you can kill any process

F10

Exit command for htop

You can also find the process filtered by user from the commands just like we use like top command.

=>**htop -u <username>**

Fuser:

The *fuser* command is basically used to identify processes using files, directories, or sockets. The tool basically displays the PIDs of processes that are using the file whose name is passed as argument to the command. Suppose you are given a task to identify the processes that are using a particular file, 'fuser' command lets you identify processes based on the files (or directories, or sockets) they are accessing. Not only that, the tool also allows you to kill these processes, so you don't have to use the *kill* or *killall* commands separately.