Windows terminal

Introdução Engenharia Informática

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Exercises

Exercise 1: Finding Your Way Around 🧭

This exercise covers basic navigation and information commands. Complete the steps in both **CMD** and **PowerShell**.

- 1. Open your terminal. Verify your starting location (your home directory).
 - CMD: \$ cd
 - PowerShell: \$ Get-Location (or its alias pwd)
- 2. List the contents of your home directory. Then, list them again showing **all** files (including hidden ones).
 - CMD: \$ dir then \$ dir /a
 - PowerShell: \$ 1s then \$ 1s -Force
- 3. Navigate to the main Windows directory.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$ cd C:\Windows
- 4. Find out your username and the current date.
 - CMD: \$ whoami and then \$ date /t
 - PowerShell: \$ whoami and then \$ Get-Date
- 5. Return to your home directory using the quickest shortcut.
 - CMD: \$ cd %USERPROFILE%
 - PowerShell: \$ cd ~

Exercise 2: Exploring Key System Directories 🌌

Visit important system directories to understand the Windows layout.

- 1. Navigate to the System32 directory, which holds most of the core system executables.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$ cd C:\Windows\System32
- 2. List its contents to see the vast number of system files.
 - CMD: \$ dir
 - PowerShell: \$ 1s
- 3. Get information about your Windows version.
 - CMD: \$ systeminfo | findstr /B /C: "OS Name" /C: "OS Version"
 - PowerShell: \$ Get-ComputerInfo | Select-Object WindowsProductName, WindowsVersion

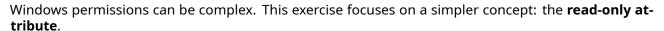
Exercise 3: Creating and Managing Files 📂

Create, copy, move, and delete files and directories.

- 1. From your home directory, create a new directory called IEI.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$ mkdir IEI
- 2. Navigate inside your new IEI directory.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$ cd IEI
- 3. Create an empty file called notes.txt.

- CMD: \$ echo. > notes.txt
- PowerShell: \$ New-Item notes.txt
- 4. Add text to your file and then view its contents.
 - CMD: \$ echo My first line. > notes.txt then \$ type notes.txt
 - PowerShell: \$ Set-Content -Path notes.txt -Value "My first line." then \$ Get-Content notes.txt
- 5. Make a copy of the file named notes_backup.txt.
 - CMD: \$ copy notes.txt notes_backup.txt
 - PowerShell: \$ Copy-Item notes.txt notes_backup.txt
- 6. Rename notes.txt to important_notes.txt.
 - CMD: \$ ren notes.txt important_notes.txt
 - PowerShell: \$ Rename-Item notes.txt important_notes.txt
- 7. Clean up by deleting the backup file.
 - CMD: \$ del notes_backup.txt
 - PowerShell: \$ Remove-Item notes backup.txt

Exercise 4: Understanding File Attributes 🔐



- 1. Inside ~/IEI, create a file named report.docx.
 - CMD: \$ echo. > report.docx
 - PowerShell: \$ New-Item report.docx
- 2. Set the file to be read-only.
 - CMD: \$ attrib +r report.docx
 - PowerShell: \$ Set-ItemProperty -Path report.docx -Name IsReadOnly -Value \$true
- 3. Attempt to delete the file. The operation should fail or ask for confirmation because the file is read-only.
 - CMD: \$ del report.docx
 - PowerShell: \$ Remove-Item report.docx
- 4. Remove the read-only attribute so you can manage the file again.
 - CMD: \$ attrib -r report.docx
 - PowerShell: \$ Set-ItemProperty -Path report.docx -Name IsReadOnly -Value \$false

Exercise 5: Finding Files and Content 🔎

Search for files by name and for text within them.

- 1. Create a subdirectory and a new file within it.
 - CMD: \$ mkdir reports and then \$ echo Confidential report. > reports\report-2025.txt
 - PowerShell: \$ mkdir reports and then \$ Set-Content reports\report-2025.txt "Confidential report."
- 2. Use the appropriate command to search for any file ending with .txt inside your IEI directory and its subdirectories.
 - CMD: \$ dir /s /b *.txt
 - PowerShell: \$ Get-ChildItem -Recurse -Filter "*.txt"
- 3. Search for the word "Confidential" inside the reports directory.
 - CMD: \$ findstr /i "Confidential" reports*
 - PowerShell: \$ Select-String -Path reports* -Pattern "Confidential"

Exercise 6: Managing Processes 🔅

Learn to view and stop running programs.

- 1. Start a Notepad process from the terminal.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$ notepad

- 2. In the same terminal, find the Process ID (PID) of Notepad.
 - CMD: \$ tasklist | findstr /i "notepad"
 - PowerShell: \$ Get-Process -Name "notepad"
- 3. Terminate the Notepad process using its PID. Replace PID with the actual number from the previous step.
 - CMD: \$ taskkill /PID PID
 - PowerShell: \$ Stop-Process -Id PID

Exercise 7: Managing Software with Winget 📦



- 1. Search for the popular 7zip utility.
 - \$ winget search 7zip
- 2. Install the package. You may need to agree to the source terms.
 - \$ winget install 7zip.7zip
- 3. List all your installed packages managed by Winget to verify the installation.
 - \$ winget list
- 4. Clean up by removing the package from your system.
 - \$ winget uninstall 7zip.7zip

Exercise 8: Combining Commands (Pipes & Redirection)



- 1. Use the pipe to find your own terminal process ("cmd.exe" or "pwsh.exe").
 - CMD: \$ tasklist | findstr "cmd.exe"
 - PowerShell: \$ Get-Process | Where-Object { \$_.Name -eq "pwsh" }
- 2. Create a log file with one entry using >.
 - CMD: \$ echo %date% %time%: Starting work. > activity.log
 - PowerShell: \$ Set-Content activity.log "\$(Get-Date): Starting work."
- 3. Use the append operator (>>) to add a second line without deleting the first.
 - CMD: \$ echo %date% %time%: Finished exercise. >> activity.log
 - PowerShell: \$ Add-Content activity.log "\$(Get-Date): Finished exercise."
- 4. Verify that your log file contains both lines.
 - CMD: \$ type activity.log
 - PowerShell: \$ Get-Content activity.log

Exercise 9: Customizing Your Environment 🔆

Create a handy shortcut (an alias).

- · CMD (Temporary Alias):
 - 1. Create an alias 1 for the dir /a command using doskey. \$ doskey l=dir /a
 - 2. Test your alias: \$ 1 (Note: This alias disappears when you close the CMD window.)
- PowerShell (Permanent Alias):
 - 1. Open your PowerShell profile script in Notepad. \$ notepad \$PROFILE
 - 2. Add the following line to the file, then save and close it. Set-Alias -Name 1 -Value Get-ChildItem -Force
 - 3. Close and reopen PowerShell, then test your new alias: \$ 1

Exercise 10: Understanding the \$PATH Variable

Discover how the shell finds commands.

- 1. View the current \$PATH variable.
 - CMD: \$ echo %PATH%
 - PowerShell: \$ echo \$env:Path
- 2. Create a simple Batch file in your ~/IEI directory named hello.bat containing one line: @echo Hello from my custom script!
- 3. Try to run the script by name. It will fail because IEI is not in the \$PATH.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$ hello
- 4. Run it using its relative path. This works.
 - CMD & PowerShell: \$.\hello.bat
- 5. Temporarily add your ~/IEI directory to the \$PATH. Now try running it by name again.
 - CMD: \$ set PATH=%USERPROFILE%\IEI;%PATH% then \$ hello.bat
 - PowerShell: \$ \senv:Path = "\shOME\IEI;" + \senv:Path then \shothen bat

Exercise 11: Scripting Challenge 🚀

Create a script that automates setting up a project structure.

- CMD (Batch Script):
 - 1. Create a file named setup_project.bat in ~/IEI.
 - 2. Add the following code, then save it.

```
@echo off
set PROJECT_DIR=%USERPROFILE%\IEI\my_project
if exist %PROJECT_DIR% (
    echo Error: Directory already exists.
    exit /b
)
mkdir %PROJECT_DIR%
mkdir %PROJECT_DIR%
mkdir %PROJECT_DIR%\source
mkdir %PROJECT_DIR%\source
echo Project setup complete!
```

- 3. Run the script: \$.\setup_project.bat
- PowerShell Script:
 - 1. Create a file named setup_project.ps1 in ~/IEI.
 - 2. Add the following code, then save it.

```
$ProjectDir = "$HOME\IEI\my_project"
if (Test-Path $ProjectDir) {
    Write-Error "Directory already exists."
    return
}
mkdir $ProjectDir
foreach ($folder in "assets", "source", "docs") {
    mkdir (Join-Path $ProjectDir $folder)
}
Write-Host "Project setup complete!"
```

3. Run the script: \$.\setup_project.ps1

Exercise 12: Scheduling a Task 🕒

Create a simple script and schedule it to run automatically.

- 1. Create the Script: In ~/IEI, create log_time.bat with the content: @echo %date% %time% >> %USERPROFILE%\IEI\cron_log.txt
- 2. Schedule the Task (CMD):
 - This command schedules the script to run in one minute from now. \$ schtasks /create /sc once /tn "My Logger" /tr "%USERPROFILE%\IEI\log_time.bat" /st (Get-Date).AddMinutes(1).ToString("HH:mm")
- 3. Verify: After a minute, check for the output file.
 - CMD: \$ type %USERPROFILE%\IEI\cron_log.txt
- 4. **Clean Up:** It's important to remove the task so it doesn't remain in the system.
 - CMD: \$ schtasks /delete /tn "My Logger" /f