

Windows terminal

Tópicos de Informática para Automação

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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:** \$ ls then \$ ls -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 ~
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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:** \$ ls
 3. Get information about your Windows version.
 - **CMD:** \$ systeminfo | findstr /B /C:"OS Name" /C:"OS Version"
 - **PowerShell:** \$ Get-ComputerInfo | Select-Object OSName, OSVersion
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Exercise 3: Creating and Managing Files 📁

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

1. From your home directory, create a new directory called TIA.
 - **CMD & PowerShell:** \$ mkdir TIA
2. Navigate inside your new TIA directory.
 - **CMD & PowerShell:** \$ cd TIA
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
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Exercise 4: Understanding File Attributes

Windows permissions can be complex. This exercise focuses on a simpler concept: the **read-only attribute**.

1. Inside ~/TIA, 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
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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 TIA 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"
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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
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Exercise 7: Managing Software with Winget

Install and remove a program using the **Windows Package Manager**. These commands work in both CMD and PowerShell.

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
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Exercise 8: Combining Commands (Pipes & Redirection)

Explore the power of the pipe (|) and redirection (>>).

1. Use the pipe to find your own terminal process ("cmd.exe" or "powershell.exe").
 - **CMD:** \$ tasklist | findstr "cmd.exe"
 - **PowerShell:** \$ Get-Process | Where-Object { \$_.Name -eq "powershell" }
 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
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Exercise 9: Customizing Your Environment

Create a handy shortcut (an alias).

- **CMD (Temporary Alias):**
 1. Create an alias ll for the dir /a command using doskey. \$ doskey ll=dir /a
 2. Test your alias: \$ ll (*Note: This alias disappears when you close the CMD window.*)
- **PowerShell (Permanent Alias):**
 1. Open your PowerShell profile script in Notepad.

```
if (!(Test-Path -Path $PROFILE)) { New-Item -ItemType File -Path $PROFILE -Force }
$ notepad $PROFILE
```

2. Add the following line to the file, then save and close it. Set-Alias -Name ll -Value Get-ChildItem -Force
 3. Close and reopen PowerShell, then test your new alias: \$ ll
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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 ~/TIA 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 TIA 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 ~/TIA directory to the \$PATH. Now try running it by name again.
 - **CMD:** \$ set PATH=%USERPROFILE%\TIA;%PATH% then \$ hello.bat
 - **PowerShell:** \$ \$env:Path = "\$HOME\TIA;" + \$env:Path then \$ hello.bat
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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 ~/TIA.
2. Add the following code, then save it.

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

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

- **PowerShell Script:**

1. Create a file named setup_project.ps1 in ~/TIA.
2. Add the following code, then save it.

```
$ProjectDir = "$HOME\TIA\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
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Exercise 12: Scheduling a Task

Create a simple script and schedule it to run automatically.

1. **Create the Script:** In ~/TIA, create log_time.bat with the content:

```
@echo off
@echo %date% %time:~0,5% >> %USERPROFILE%\TIA\cron_log.txt
```

2. **Schedule the Task (CMD):**

- This command schedules the script to run in one minute from now (and periodically at one minute):

```
$ schtasks /create /sc minute /tn "My Logger" ^
/tr "%USERPROFILE%\TIA\log_time.bat" /st %time:~0,5%
```

3. **Schedule the Task (PowerShell):**

- This command schedules the script to run in one minute from now (and periodically at one minute):

```
$action = New-ScheduledTaskAction -Execute "$env:USERPROFILE\TIA\log_time.bat"
$trigger = New-ScheduledTaskTrigger -At $(Get-Date -Format HH:mm) -Once ` 
-RepetitionInterval (New-TimeSpan -Minutes 1)
Register-ScheduledTask -Action $action -Trigger $trigger -TaskName "My Logger"
```

4. **Verify:** After a minute, check for the output file (should have repeated lines).

- **CMD:** \$ type %USERPROFILE%\TIA\cron_log.txt
- **PowerShell:** \$ Get-Content \$env:USERPROFILE\TIA\cron_log.txt

5. **Clean Up:** It's important to remove the task so it doesn't remain in the system.

- **CMD:** \$ schtasks /delete /tn "My Logger" /f
- **PowerShell:** \$ Unregister-ScheduledTask "My Logger"