

IBM AIX commands you shouldn't leave home without

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1. to know if I am running a uniprocessor kernel or a multiprocessor kernel, or a 32-bit kernel or a 64-bit kernel :

```
ls -l /unix
```

/unix is a symbolic link to the booted kernel. enter `ls -l /unix` and see what file /unix it links to.

2. to change from one kernel mode to another

run the following commands in sequence :

```
ln -sf /usr/lib/boot/unix_64 /unix
```

```
ln -sf /usr/lib/boot/unix_64 /usr/lib/boot/unix
```

```
bosboot -ad /dev/hdiskxx
```

```
shutdown -r
```

The /dev/hdiskxx directory is where the boot logical volume /dev/hd5 is located. To find out what xx is in hdiskxx, run the following command:

```
lslv -m hd5
```

3. to know if my machine is capable of running AIX 5L Version 5.3

AIX 5L Version 5.3 supports all 32-bit and 64-bit Common Hardware Reference Platform (CHRP)-based IBM Power® hardware. Only 64-bit CHRP systems are supported with AIX 6.1 and AIX V7.1.

4. to know if my machine is CHRP-based

Run the `prtconf` command. If it is a CHRP machine, the string `chrp` appears on the Model Architecture line.

5. to know if my Power System machine (hardware) is 32-bit or 64-bit

Run the `prtconf` command

6. to know how much real memory my machine have

To display real memory in kilobytes (KB), type the following :

```
lsattr -El sys0 -a realmem
```

7. Can my machine run the 64-bit kernel?

64-bit hardware is required to run the 64-bit kernel.

8. What are the values of attributes for devices in my system?

To list the current values of the attributes for the tape device, `rmt0`, type :

```
lsattr -l rmt0 -E
```

To list the default values of the attributes for the tape device, `rmt0`, type :

```
lsattr -l rmt0 -D
```

To list the possible values of the login attribute for the TTY device, `tty0`, type :

```
lsattr -l tty0 -a login -R
```

To display system-level attributes, type :

```
lsattr -E -l sys0
```

9. How many processors does my system have

To display the number of processors on your system, type :

```
lscfg | grep proc
```

10. How many hard disks does my system have and which ones are in use?

To display the number of hard disks on your system, type :

```
lspv
```

11. To list information about a specific physical volume

To find details about hdisk1, for example, run the following command :

```
lspv hdisk1
```

12. How do I get a detailed configuration of my system?

Type the following :

```
lscfg
```

or

```
prtconf
```

eg : to display details about the tape drive, rmt0, type :

```
lscfg -vl rmt0
```

13. How do I find out the chip type, system name, node name, model number, and so forth?

The uname command provides details about your system.

uname -p : displays the chip type of the system.

uname -r : displays the release number of the operating system.

uname -s : displays the system name.

uname -n : displays the name of the node.

uname -a : displays the system name, nodename, version, machine ID.

uname -M : displays the system model name.

uname -v : displays the operating system version.

uname -m : displays the machine ID number of the hardware running the system.

uname -u : displays the system ID number

14. What is the technology level of my system?

To determine the highest technology level reached for the current version of AIX on the system, type :

```
oslevel -r
```

```
lslpp -h bos.rte
```

To list the installation state for the most-recent level of installed file sets for all of the bos.rte file sets, type :

```
lslpp -l "bos.rte.*"
```

To list which software is below AIX Version 5.3 technology level 1, type :

```
oslevel -r -l 5300-01
```

To list which software is at a level later than AIX Version 5.3 technology level 1, type :

```
oslevel -r -g 5300-01
```

To determine the highest service pack reached for the current technology level on the system, type :

```
oslevel -s
```

To list the known service packs on a system, type :

```
oslevel -sq
```

To list which software is below AIX Version 6.1 technology level 0, service pack1, type :

```
oslevel -s -l 6100-00-01-0748
```

To list which software is at a level later than AIX Version 6.1 technology level 0, service pack 1, type :

```
oslevel -s -g 6100-00-01-0748
```

15. How do I create a file system?

The following command will create, within volume group testvg, a journaled file system (JFS) of 10MB with mounting point /fs1 :

```
crfs -v jfs -g testvg -a size=10M -m /fs1
```

The following command creates, within the testvg volume group, a enhanced journaled file system (JFS2) of 10MB with mounting point /fs2 and having read-only permissions

```
crfs -v jfs2 -g testvg -a size=10M -p ro -m /fs2
```

To make a JFS on the rootvg volume group with nondefault fragment size and nondefault number of bytes per i-node(NBPI), enter :

```
crfs -v jfs -g rootvg -m /test -a \ size=32768 -a frag=521 -a nbpi=1024
```

16. How to create a file system?

to create within volume group testvg, a journaled file system (JFS) of 10MB with mounting point /fs1 :

```
crfs -v jfs -g testvg -a size=10M -m /fs1
```

to create within the testvg volume group, a enhanced journaled file system (JFS2) of 10MB with mounting point /fs2 and having read-only permissions :

```
crfs -v jfs2 -g testvg -a size=10M -p ro -m /fs2
```

to make a JFS on the rootvg volume group with nondefault fragment size and nondefault number of bytes per i-node (NBPI) :

```
crfs -v jfs -g rootvg -m /test -a \ size=32768 -a frag=512 -a nbpi=1024
```

to make a JFS on the rootvg volume group with nondefault fragment size and nondefault NBPI :

```
crfs -v jfs -g rootvg -m /test -a size=16M -a frag=512 -a nbpi=1024
```

17. How do I change the size of a file system?

to increase the /usr file system size by 1000000 512-byte blocks, type :

```
chfs -a size+=1000000 /usr
```

to change the file system size of the /test JFS, (to change the size of the /test JFS to 24576 512-byte blocks, or 12MB (provided, it was previously no larger than this).) enter :

```
chfs -a size=24576 /test
```

to increase the size of the /test JFS, enter :

```
chfs -a size+=8192 /test
```

to change the mount point of a file system, (to change the mount point of a file system from /test to /test2) enter :

```
chfs -m /test2 /test
```

to delete the accounting attribute from a file system, (removes the accounting attribute from the /home file system. The accounting attribute is deleted from the /home: stanza of the /etc/filesystems file.) enter :

```
chfs -d account /home
```

to split off a copy of a mirrored file system and mount it read-only for use as an online backup, (mounts a read-only copy of /testfs at /backup) enter :

```
chfs -a splitcopy=/backup -a copy=2 /testfs
```

to change the file system size of the /test JFS, (changes the size of the /test JFS to 64MB) enter :

```
chfs -a size=64M /test
```

to reduce the size of the /test JFS2 file system, (reduces the size of the /test JFS2 file system by 16MB) enter :

```
chfs -a size=-16M /test
```

18. How do I mount a CD?

Type the following :

```
mount -V cdrfs -o ro /dev/cd0 /cdrom
```

19. How do I mount a file system?

eg : mount file system /dev/fslv02 on the /test directory :

```
mount /dev/fslv02 /test
```

20. How to mount all default file systems (all standard file systems in the /etc/filesystems file marked by the mount=true attribute)?

```
mount {-a | all}
```

21. How do I display mounted file systems?

Type the following command to display information about all currently mounted file systems :

```
mount
```

eg : to mount a remote directory (sequence mounts the /home/tom.remote directory located on modeA onto the local /home/tom.local directory. It assumes the default VfsName parameter=remote, which must be defined in the /etc/vfs file.)

```
mount -n nodeA /home/tom.remote /home/tom.local
```

eg : to mount a file or directory from the /etc/file systems file with a specific type, (sequence mounts all files or directories in the /etc/file systems file that have a stanza containing the type=remote attribute.)

```
mount -t remote
```

eg : to mount a snapshot, (mounts the snapshot contained on the /dev/snasb device onto the /home/janet/snapsb directory.)

```
mount -o snapshot /dev/snapb /home/janet/snapsb
```

eg : to mount a file system and createa snapsht, (mounts the file system contained on the /dev/sbdevice directory onto the /home/janet/sb directory and creates a snapshot for the file system on /dev/snapsbdevice.)

```
mount -o snapto=/dev/snapsb /dev/sb /home/janet/sb
```

eg : to remount the mounted read-only JFS2 file system to a read-write file system,

```
mount -o remount, rw fsname
```

22. How to unmount a file system?

eg : to unmount the /test file system

umount /test

eg : to unmount all mounts from the Node A remote node

umount -n nodeA

23. How to remove a file system?

eg : to remove the /test file system

rmfs /test

24. How to defragment a file system?

to improve or report the status of contiguous space within a file system.

eg : to defragment the file system /home

defragfs /home

eg : to generate a report on the /data1 file system that indicates its current status as well as its status after being defragmented

defragfs -r /data1

eg : to generate a report on the fragmentation in the /data1 file system

defragfs -s /data1

25. Which file set contains a particular binary?

eg : to list the file set that owns /usr/bin/vmstat

lslpp -w /usr/bin/vmstat

eg : to display all files in the inventory database

lslpp -w

eg : to list the file set that owns all file names containing installp

lslpp -w "*installp*"

eg : to show which file set contains /usr/bin/svmon

which_fileset svmon

26. How to display information about the installed file sets on my system?

eg :

lslpp -l

eg : to list the installation state for the most recent level of installed file sets for all of the bos.rte file sets

lslpp -l "bos.rte.*"

eg : to list the installation state for the base level and updates for the bos.rte.filesystem file set

lslpp -La bos.rte.filesystem

eg : to list the names of all the files of the bos.rte.lvm file set

lslpp -f bos.rte.lvm

eg : to list the file set that owns all file names containing installp

lslpp -w "*installp*"

27. How do I determine if all file sets of technology level are installed on my system?

eg :

instfix -i | grep TL

28. How to determine if a fix is installed on my system?

eg : to inform the user on whether fixes IX38794 and IX48523 are installed

instfix -i -k "IX38794 IX48532"

29. How do I install an individual fix by APAR?

eg : to install APAR IY73748 from /dev/cd0

instfix -k IY73748 -d /dev/cd0

eg : to install all file sets associated with fix IX38794 from the tape mounted on /dev/rmt0.1

instfix -k IX38794 -d /dev/rmt0.1

eg : to install all fixes on the media in the tape drive

instfix -T -d /dev/rmt0.1 | instfix -d /dev/rmt0.1 -f-

30. How do I verify if file sets have required prerequisites and are completely installed?

eg : to show the file sets that need to be installed or corrected

lppchk -v

31. How to get a dump of the header of the loader section and the symbol entries in symbolic representation?

eg :

dump -Htv

eg : to dump the object file headers

dump -o a.out

eg : to dump line number information for the a.out file

dump -l a.out

eg : to dump the contents of the a.out object file text section

dump -s a.out

eg : to dump symbol table information for the a.out object file

dump -t a.out

32. How to determine the amount of paging space allocated and in use?

lsps -a

33. How to increase a paging space?

eg : increase the size of hd6 with three logical partitions

chps -s 3 hd6

eg : to change the size of the myvg paging space

chps -s 4 myvg

34. How to reduce a paging space?

eg : to decrease the size of hd6 with four logical partitions

chps -d 4 hd6

35. How to know if my system is capable of using simultaneous multithreading (SMT)?

Your system is capable of SMT if it is an IBM POWER5 processor-based system or later running AIX 5L Version 5.3 or later.

36. How to know if SMT is enabled for my system?

If you run the smtctl command without any options, it tells you if it is enabled or not.

37. Is SMT supported for the 32-bit kernel?

Yes, SMT is supported for both 32-bit and 64-bit kernel.

38. How to enable or disable SMT?

smtctl [-m off | on [-w boot | now]]

If neither the -w boot option nor the -w now option is specified, then the mode change is made immediately. It persists across subsequent reboots if you run the bosboot command before the next system reboot.

eg : to disable simultaneous multithreading for the current boot cycle and for all subsequent boots

smtctl -m off

39. How to get partition-specific information and statistics?

eg : get the default LPAR statistics

lparstat 1 1

eg : to get default LPAR statistics with summary statistics on Hypervisor

lparstat -h 1 1

eg : get the information about the partition

lparstat -i

eg : to get detailed hypervisor statistics

lparstat -H 1 1

eg : to get statistics about the shared memory pool and the I/O memory entitlement of the partition

lparstat -m

Volume groups and logical volumes

AIX V7.1 includes enhanced support for solid-state drive (SSD) in the AIX Logical Volume Manager (LVM). The commands lsvg, mkvg, chvg, extendvg, and replacepv described in the following sections support creation, extension, and maintenance of volume groups

consisting of SSDs.

40. How to know if my volume group is normal, big or scalable?

Run the `lsvg` command on the volume group and look at the value for MAX PVs. The value is 32 for normal, 128 for big, and 1024 for scalable volume group.

41. How to create a volume group?

syntax :

```
mkvg -y name_of_volume_group -s partition_size list_of_hard_disks
```

eg : to create a volume group that contains three physical volumes with partition size set to 1MB

```
mkvg -s 1 hdisk3 hdisk5 hdisk6
```

eg : to create a volume group that can accommodate a maximum of 1024 physical volumes and 2048 logical volumes

```
mkvg -S -v 2048 hdisk6
```

42. How to change the characteristics of a volume group?

chvg

eg : to cause volume group vg03 to be automatically activated during system startup

```
chvg -a y vg03
```

43. How to create a logical volume?

syntax :

```
mklv -y name_of_logical_volume name_of_volume_group number_of_partition
```

eg : to make a logical volume in vg03 with 15 logical partitions chosen from physical volumes hdisk5, hdisk6, and hdisk9

```
mklv vg03 15 hdisk5 hdisk6 hdisk9
```

44. How to increase the size of a logical volume?

eg : to increase the size of the logical volume represented by the lv05 directory by three logical partitions

```
extendlv lv05 3
```

45. How to display all logical volumes that are part of a volume group (eg. rootvg)?

```
lsvg -l rootvg
```

eg : to display the names of all active volume groups

```
lsvg -o
```

eg : to display the names of all volume groups within the system

```
lsvg
```

eg : to display information about volume group vg02

```
lsvg vg02
```

46. How to list information about logical volumes?

eg : to display information about the logical volume lv1

```
lslv lv1
```

eg : to display the logical volume allocation map for hdisk2

```
lslv -p hdisk2
```

eg : to display information about the lv03 logical volume by physical volume

```
lslv -l lv03
```

47. How to remove a logical volume from a volume group?

eg : remove the logical volume lv7

```
rmlv lv7
```

note : The `rmlv` command removes only the logical volume, but does not remove other entities, such as file systems or paging spaces that were using the logical volume.

48. How to mirror a logical volume?

syntax :

1) `mklvcopy LogicalVolumeName Numberofcopies`

2) `syncvg VolumeGroupName`

eg : to add physical partitions to the logical partitions in the lv01 logical volume, so that a total of three copies exist for each logical partition

`mklvcopy lv01 3`

49. How to remove a copy of a logical volume?

eg : to reduce the number of copies of each logical partition belonging to the testlv logical volume
`rmlvcopy testlv 2`

50. Queries about volume groups

eg : to show volume groups in the system

`lsvg`

eg : to show all the characteristics of rootvg

`lsvg rootvg`

eg : to show disks used by rootvg

`lsvg -p rootvg`

51. How to add a disk to a volume group?

syntax :

`extendvg VolumeGroupName hdisk0 hdisk1 ... hdiskn`

eg : to add physical volumes hdisk3 and hdisk8 to volume group vg3

`extendvg vg3 hdisk3 hdisk8`

52. How to find out the maximum supported logical track group (LTG) size of my hard disk?

Use the `lquerypv` with the `-M` flag

53. What does the `syncvg` command do

To synchronize stale physical partitions

eg : to synchronize the physical partitions located on physical volumes hdisk4 and hdisk5

`syncvg -p hdisk4 hdisk5`

eg : to synchronize all physical partitions from volume group testvg

`syncvg -v testvg`

eg : to synchronize the copies on volume groups vg04 and vg05

`syncvg -v vg04 vg05`

54. How to replace a disk?

`extendvg VolumeGroupName hdisk_new`

`migratepv hdisk_bad hdisk_new`

`reducevg -d VolumeGroupName hdisk_bad`

55. How can I clone (make a copy of) the rootvg?

You can run the `alt_disk_copy` command to copy the current rootvg to an alternate disk.

eg : clone the rootvg to hdisk1

`alt_disk_copy -d hdisk1`

56. How to display or set values for network parameters?

Use the `no` command sets or displays current or next boot values for network runing parameters.

eg : to display the maximum size of the mbuf pool

`no -o thewall`

eg : to change the default socket buffer size on your system

`no -r -o tcp_sendspace=32768`

`no -r -o udp_recvspace=32768`

eg : to use a system as an Internet work router over the Internet Protocol networks,

`no -o ipforwarding=1`

eg : to list the current and reboot value, range, unit, type and dependencies of all tunable parameters that are managed by the
`no` command

`no -L`

57. How do I get the IP address of my machine?

`ifconfig -a`

`host Fully_Qualified_Host_Name`

eg : type the following command to get the IP address of the machine cyclop.austin.ibm.com
host cyclop.austin.ibm.com

58. How to identify the network interfaces on my server?

lsdev -Cc if

ifconfig -a

eg : to get information about one specific network interface, tr0

ifconfig tr0

59. How to activate a network interface?

eg : to activate the network interface tr0

ifconfig tr0 up

60. How to deactivate a network interface?

eg : to deactivate the network interface tr0

ifconfig tr0 down

61. How to display routing table, interface, and protocol information?

eg : to display routing table information for an Internet interface

netstat -r -f inet

eg : to display interface information for an Internet interface

netstat -i -f inet

eg : to display statistics for each protocol

netstat -s -f inet

62. How to record packets received or transmitted?

eg : to record packets coming in and going out to any host on every interface (trace information is placed in the /tmp/nettrace file.)

iptrace /tmp/nettrace

eg : to record packets received on an interface en0 from a remote host airmail over the Telnet port (The trace information is placed in the /tmp/telnet.trace file.)

iptrace -i en0 -p telnet -s airmail /tmp/telnet.trace

63. How to create a workload partition

eg : to create a WPAR named temp with the IP address xxx.yyy.zzz.nnn

mkwpar -n temp -N address= xxx.yyy.zzz.nnn

eg : to create a workload partition based on an existing specification file wpar1.spec

mkwpar -f /tmp/wpar1.spec

64. How to create a new specification file for an existing workload partition wpar1?

eg : to create a specification file wpar2.spec for an existing workload partition wpar1

mkwpar -e wpar1 -o /tmp/wpar2.spec -w

65. How to start a workload partition?

eg : to start the workload partition called temp

startwpar temp

66. How to stop a workload partition?

eg : to stop the workload partition called temp

stopwar temp

67. How to view the characteristics of workload partitions?

eg : to view the characteristics of all workload partitions

lswpar

68. How to log in to a workload partition?

eg : to log in to the workload partition named wpar1 as user foo

clogin wpar1 -l foo

69. How to run a command in a workload partition?

eg : to run the /usr/bin/ps command as user root in a workload partition named howdy
clogin howdy -l root /usr/bin/ps

70. How to remove a workload partition?

eg : to remove the workload partition called temp
rmwpar temp
eg : to stop and remove the workload partition called temp preserving data on its file system
rmwpar -p -s temp

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71. How to display virtual memory statistics?

eg : to display a summary of the virtual memory statistics since boot
vmstat
eg : to display five summaries at 2-second intervals
vmstat 2 5
eg : to display a summary of the statistics since boot including statistics for logical disk scdisk13 and scdisk14
vmstat scdisk13 scdisk14
eg : to display time-stamp next to each column of output of vmstat
vmstat -t
eg : to display all the VMM statistics available
vmstat -vs
eg : to display a summary of the statistics for all of the workload partitions after boot
vmstat -@ ALL
eg : to display all of the virtual memory statistics available for all of the workload partitions
vmstat -vs -@ ALL

72 How to display statistics for all TTY, CPU, and disks?

eg : to display a single set of statistics for all TTY, CPU, and disks since boot
iostat
eg : to display a continuous disk report at 2-second intervals for the disk with the logical name disk1
iostat -d disk1 2
eg : to display six reports at 2-second intervals for the disk with the logical name disk1
iostat disk1 2 6
eg ; to display six reports at 2-second intervals for all disks
iostat -d 2 6
eg : to display six reports at two second intervals for three disks named disk1, disk2, disk3
iostat disk1 disk2 disk3 2 6
eg : to print the system throughput report since boot
iostat -s
eg : to print the adapter throughput reports at 5-second intervals
iostat -a 5
eg : to print 10 system and adapter throughput reports at 20-second intervals, with only the TTY and CPU report (no disk reports)
iostat -sat 20 10
eg : to print the system and adapter throughput reports with the disk utilization reports of hdisk0 and hdisk7 every 30 seconds
iostat -sad hdisk0 hdisk7 30
eg : to display time stamp next to each line of output of iostat
iostat -T 60
eg : to display only file system statistics for all workload partitions
iostat -F -@ ALL
eg : to display system throughput of all workload partitions along with the system
iostat -s -@ ALL

73. How to display local and remote system statistics?

topas
eg : to go directly to the process display
topas -P

eg : to go directly to the logical partition display
topas -P
eg : to go directly to the logical partition display
topas -L
eg : to go directly to the disk metric display
topas -D
eg : to go directly to the file system display
topas -F
eg : to go directly to WPAR monitoring mode abc
topas -@ abc
eg : to go directly to the topas WPAR mode
topas -@

74. How to report system unit activity?

sar
eg : to report current TTY activity for each 2 seconds for the next 40 seconds
sar -y -r 2 20
eg : to report the processor use statistics in a WPAR from the global environment
sar -@ wparname
eg : to report all of the processor activities from inside a WPAR
sar -P ALL 1 1
eg : to report processor activity for the first two processors
sar -u -P 0,1

