

LINUX COMMANDS

1) ls command

- ls is list files and directories where we won't be able to view details like file types, size, modified date and time, permission and links.
- Syntax: ls [options][file/dir]

```
root@kali:~# ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates Videos
root@kali:~# ^C
```

2) cd command

- cd is stands for change directory, changes the terminal shell's current working directory.
- Syntax: cd [directory]

```
root@kali:~# cd Documents
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

3) mv command

- mv is command for move. it is a Unix command that moves one or more files or directories from one place to another.
- Syntax: mv [options] source destination

```
root@kali:~# ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates Videos
root@kali:~# mv Documents Borang
root@kali:~# ls
Borang Desktop Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates Videos
root@kali:~#
```

4) cat command

- cat is a standard Unix utility that used to display the context of text files and to combine several files to one files.
- Syntax: cat [options] file1 file2

```
cat: file1.txt: No such file or directory
root@kali:~/Documents# cat >file1.txt
Hello and Welcome to File1.
Have fun and good luck in exploring Kali linux
^C
```

5) rm command

- rm is command for remove. It is a basic UNIX command used to remove objects such as files, directories, device nodes, symbolic links, and so on from the filesystem.

```
root@kali:~/Documents# ls
file1.txt
root@kali:~/Documents# rm file1.txt
root@kali:~/Documents# ls
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

6) mkdir/rmdir command

- The mkdir is short for make directory command in the Unix, DOS, OS/2, and Microsoft Windows operating system.
- Syntax: mkdir filename

```
root@kali:~/Documents# ls
root@kali:~/Documents# mkdir Lab1
root@kali:~/Documents# ls
Lab1
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

- The rmdir is a command for remove directory command in the Unix, DOS, OS/2, and Microsoft Windows operating systems.
- Syntax: rmdir filename

```
root@kali:~# ls
Desktop Documents Downloads movie Music Pictures Public Videos
root@kali:~# rmdir movie
root@kali:~# ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Videos
root@kali:~#
```

7) touch command

- touch is a standard Unix command-line interface program which is used to change the file's timestamps. In its default usage, it is the equivalent of creating or opening a file and saving it without any change to the file contents.
- Syntax: touch filename

```
root@kali:~/Documents# touch myFile1
root@kali:~/Documents# touch myFile2
root@kali:~/Documents# ls
myFile1 myFile2
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

8) pwd command

- The pwd command is short for print working directory that writes the full pathname of the current working directory to the standard output.
- Syntax: pwd [option](option is not necessary)

```
root@kali:~# cd Documents
root@kali:~/Documents# pwd
/root/Documents
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

9) top command

- top (table of processes) is a task manager program found in many Unix-like operating systems.
- Syntax: top [option]

```
root@kali:~# top

top - 23:00:56 up 1:09, 1 user, load average: 0.94, 0.53, 0.32
Tasks: 217 total, 1 running, 216 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 4.7 us, 8.0 sy, 0.0 ni, 86.6 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.7 si, 0.0 st
KiB Mem : 999464 total, 95184 free, 773288 used, 130992 buff/cache
KiB Swap: 1046524 total, 855804 free, 190720 used. 88108 avail Mem

  PID USER      PR  NI   VIRT   RES   SHR  S  %CPU  %MEM    TIME+  COMMAND
  906 root        20   0  371176  22152 10556 S   6.1   2.2   5:23.66 Xorg
 1010 root        20   0 3318868 235892 39760 S   3.6  23.6   2:24.44 gnome-shell
 1733 root        20   0   46876   3728   3072 R   1.3   0.4   0:00.27 top
   22 root        20   0     0     0     0 S   0.6   0.0   0:33.82 kworker/0:1
 1721 root        20   0  590680  38268 26200 S   0.6   3.8   0:02.08 gnome-term+
    1 root        20   0  219268   5516  4332 S   0.3   0.6   0:14.42 systemd
 1193 root        20   0  738620  33956 20628 S   0.3   3.4   0:05.50 nautilus-d+
    2 root        20   0     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.05 kthreadd
    4 root         0 -20     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 kworker/0:+
    6 root         0 -20     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 mm_percpu_+
    7 root        20   0     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:04.16 ksoftirqd/0
    8 root        20   0     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:05.42 rcu_sched
    9 root        20   0     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 rcu_bh
   10 root        rt    0     0     0     0 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 migration/0
```

10) ps command

- The ps program is short for process status. It displays the currently-running processes
- 1. PID = Process ID number
- 2. TTY = Terminal associated with the process
- 3. CMD = Name of the process

```
root@kali:~/Documents# ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
 1586 pts/0    00:00:00 bash
 3828 pts/0    00:00:00 ps
```

11) kill command

- kill is a command that is used in several popular operating systems to send signals to running processes.
- Syntax: kill [signal]

```
3871 tty2      00:00:01 zenmap
3877 ?         00:00:00 kworker/u64:0
3878 pts/0     00:00:00 ps
root@kali:~/Documents# kill 3871
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

12) wc command

- wc (short for word count) is a command in Unix-like operating systems. The program reads either standard input or a list of files and generates one or more of the following statistics: newline count, word count, and byte count. If a list of files is provided, both individual file and total statistics follow.
- 1. wc -l <filename> prints the line count (note that if the last line does not have \n, it will not be counted)
 2. wc -c <filename> prints the byte count
 3. wc -m <filename> prints the character count
 4. wc -w <filename> prints the word count

```
root@kali:~/Documents# cat > Example.txt
Hello there mates!
My name is kali linux
Have fun in exploring kali linux.
^C
root@kali:~/Documents# wc Example.txt
 3 14 75 Example.txt
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

13) ping command

- Ping is a computer network administration software utility used to test the reachability of a host on an Internet Protocol (IP) network. It measures the round-trip time for messages sent from the originating host to a destination computer that are echoed back to the source.

```
root@kali:~/Documents# ping facebook.com
PING facebook.com (157.240.10.35) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from edge-star-mini-shv-01-kut2.facebook.com (157.240.10.35): icmp_seq=1 ttl=128 time=36.6 ms
64 bytes from edge-star-mini-shv-01-kut2.facebook.com (157.240.10.35): icmp_seq=2 ttl=128 time=34.9 ms
64 bytes from edge-star-mini-shv-01-kut2.facebook.com (157.240.10.35): icmp_seq=3 ttl=128 time=50.7 ms
64 bytes from edge-star-mini-shv-01-kut2.facebook.com (157.240.10.35): icmp_seq=4 ttl=128 time=108 ms
64 bytes from edge-star-mini-shv-01-kut2.facebook.com (157.240.10.35): icmp_seq=5 ttl=128 time=118 ms
64 bytes from edge-star-mini-shv-01-kut2.facebook.com (157.240.10.35): icmp_seq=6 ttl=128 time=47.3 ms
```

14) grep command

- ✓ grep is a command-line utility for searching plain-text data sets for lines that match a regular expression.

```
root@kali:~/Documents# cat Example.txt | grep john
My name is john
one day john fell asleep
and john dreamed about food.
root@kali:~/Documents# cat Example.txt
Hello there mates!
My name is kali linux
Have fun in exploring kali linux.
Please read carefully
My name is john
John love to eat beef and lamb
one day john fell asleep
and john dreamed about food.
The end
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

15) more/less command

- ✓ **More** is a command to view (but not modify) the contents of a text file one screen at a time

more [options] [file_name].

1. -num: This option specifies an integer which is the screen size (in lines).
2. -d: more will prompt the user with the message "[Press space to continue, 'q' to quit.]" and will display "[Press 'h' for instructions.]" instead of ringing the bell when an illegal key is pressed.

3. -l: more usually treats ^L (form feed) as a special character, and will pause after any line that contains a form feed. The -l option will prevent this behavior.
4. -f: Causes more to count logical, rather than screen lines (i.e., long lines are not folded).
5. -p: Do not scroll. Instead, clear the whole screen and then display the text.
6. -c: Do not scroll. Instead, paint each screen from the top, clearing the remainder of each line as it is displayed.
7. -s: Squeeze multiple blank lines into one.
8. -u: Backspaces and carriage returns to be treated as printable characters;
9. +/: This option specifies a string that will be searched for before each file is displayed. (Ex.: more +/Preamble gpl.txt)
10. +num: Start at line number num.

```
root@kali:~/Documents# more Example.txt
Hello there mates!
My name is kali linux
Have fun in exploring kali linux.
Please read carefully
My name is john
John love to eat beef and lamb
one day john fell asleep
and john dreamed about food.
The end
```

- ✓ **less** is a terminal pager program on Unix, Windows, and Unix-like systems used to view (but not change) the contents of a text file one screen at a time. It is similar to more, but has the extended capability of allowing both forward and backward navigation through the file.

less [options] [file_name].

1. -g: Highlights just the current match of any searched string.
2. -I: Case-insensitive searches.
3. -M: Shows more detailed prompt, including file position.
4. -N: Shows line numbers (useful for source code viewing).
5. -S: Disables line wrap ("chop long lines"). Long lines can be seen by side scrolling.
6. -X: Leave file contents on screen when less exits.
7. -?: Shows help.
8. +F: Follow mode for log.

```
root@kali:~/Documents# less -N Example.txt

1 Hello there mates!
2 My name is kali linux
3 Have fun in exploring kali linux.
4 Please read carefully
5 My name is john
6 John love to eat beef and lamb
7 one day john fell asleep
8 and john dreamed about food.
9 The end
Example.txt (END)
```

16) uname command

- uname is a computer program that prints the name, version and other details about the current machine and the operating system running on it.
- Syntax: `uname [option]`

```
root@kali:~/Documents# uname
Linux
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

17) uptime command

- displays how long the system has been running.
- Syntax: `uptime [option]`

```
root@kali:~/Documents# uptime
00:35:57 up 6:49, 1 user, load average: 0.03, 0.02, 0.00
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

18) netstat command

- netstat is use to print network connections, routing tables, interface statistics, nad multicast memberships.
- Syntax: `netstat [option]`

```
root@kali:~/Documents# netstat
Active Internet connections (w/o servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address          State
udp6      0      0 localhost:49098          localhost:49098          ESTABLISHED

Active UNIX domain sockets (w/o servers)
Proto RefCnt Flags       Type       State         I-Node  Path
unix    2      [ ]       DGRAM      19762        /run/user/0/systemd/notify
unix    2      [ ]       DGRAM      14945        /run/user/130/systemd/notify
unix    3      [ ]       DGRAM      1665         /run/systemd/notify
unix   15      [ ]       DGRAM      1682         /run/systemd/journal/dev-l
```

19) chmod command

- chmod is the command which change the access permissions to file system objects (files and directories).

```
root@kali:~/Documents# chmod 764 Example.txt
root@kali:~/Documents# ls -l Example.txt
-rwxrw-r-- 1 root root 205 Mar 17 23:55 Example.txt
```

20) chown command

- The command chown, an abbreviation of change owner. Regular users who wish to change the group membership of a file that they own.

```
root@kali:~/Documents# ls -l
total 8
-rwxrw-r-- 1 root root 205 Mar 17 23:55 Example.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 18 00:05 LabExercises
root@kali:~/Documents# chown 444 Example.txt
root@kali:~/Documents# ls -l
total 8
-rwxrw-r-- 1 444 root 205 Mar 17 23:55 Example.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Mar 18 00:05 LabExercises
root@kali:~/Documents#
```

21) file command

- The command file is to determine type of file.
- Syntax: file filename

```
root@kali:~/Documents# file Example.txt
Example.txt: ASCII text
```

22) ln command

- The ln command used to create a hard link or a symbolic link to an existing file.
 - Syntax: ln [target]
1. -f Force existing destination pathnames to be removed to allow the link.
 2. -P For each source_file operand that names a file that is a symbolic link, create a (hard) link to the symbolic link itself.
 3. -L For each source_file operand that names a file that is a symbolic link, create a hard link to the file referenced by the symbolic link.

```
root@kali:~# ln games Downloads
root@kali:~# ls
Desktop  Downloads  Music      Public     user
Documents games      Pictures   Templates  Videos
```