

Experiment 2

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Aim: Use basic networking commands in Linux (ifconfig, ping, traceroute, nslookup, netstat, ARP, host, ip, route)

Commands:

ifconfig:

- ifconfig stands for Interface configuration command
- It helps you to see detailed information about your network interfaces and details like your IP address, Subnet mask, etc.
- You can also disable or temporarily turn off certain interfaces using this command
- This command also has a Windows version which is called "ipconfig"
- **Syntax:** ifconfig
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan -> ifconfig  
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 172.29.11.104 netmask 255.255.240.0 broadcast 172.29.11.255  
    inet6 fe80::215:5dff:fe3b:8b56 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20  
    ether 00:15:5d:3b:8b:56 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)  
    RX packets 25 bytes 10828 (10.8 KB)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
```

ifconfig eth0 192.168.0.109 netmask 255.255.255.0:

- ifconfig also helps if you want to change your IP address of an interface temporarily
- This command helps you to change your IP address for a given interface
- **Syntax:** ifconfig <interface_name> <new_ip> netmask <subnet>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan -> sudo ifconfig eth0 192.168.0.109 netmask 255.255.255.0  
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan -> ifconfig  
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 192.168.0.109 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.0.255  
    inet6 fe80::215:5dff:fe3b:8b56 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20  
    ether 00:15:5d:3b:8b:56 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
```

ifconfig eth0 down:

- This command will temporarily disable the interface you specify
- **Syntax:** ifconfig <interface_name> down
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan-> sudo ifconfig eth0 down  
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan-> ifconfig  
lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536  
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0  
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>  
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)  
    RX packets 4 bytes 200 (200.0 B)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0  
    TX packets 4 bytes 200 (200.0 B)  
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

ifconfig eth0 up:

- This command will enable the interface you specify
- **Syntax:** ifconfig <interface_name> up
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan->sudo ifconfig eth0 up  
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
dan->ifconfig  
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500  
    inet 192.168.0.109 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.0.255  
    inet6 fe80::215:5dff:fe3b:8b56 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>  
    ether 00:15:5d:3b:8b:56 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)  
    RX packets 184 bytes 47141 (47.1 KB)  
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0  
    TX packets 20 bytes 1592 (1.5 KB)  
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0  
  
lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536  
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
```

ping 162.241.27.33:

- The ping command helps us to test the reachability of any server connected to the internet
- You can specify the IP address or the domain name and the ping command will use ICMP packets to determine if the server is up or not
- **Syntax:** ping <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🐙-> ping 162.241.27.33  
PING 162.241.27.33 (162.241.27.33) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=1 ttl=45 time=242 ms  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=2 ttl=45 time=243 ms  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=3 ttl=45 time=242 ms  
^C  
--- 162.241.27.33 ping statistics ---  
4 packets transmitted, 3 received, 25% packet loss, time 3004ms  
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 241.924/242.261/242.500/0.245 ms
```

ping www.google.com:

- This command is used to check the reachability to the domain google.com
- It will return responses from google.com, if it is up
- **Syntax:** ping <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🐙-> ping www.google.com  
PING www.google.com (142.250.67.164) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from bom12s07-in-f4.1e100.net (142.250.67.164): icmp_seq=1 ttl=119 time=4.65 ms  
64 bytes from bom12s07-in-f4.1e100.net (142.250.67.164): icmp_seq=2 ttl=119 time=4.47 ms  
64 bytes from bom12s07-in-f4.1e100.net (142.250.67.164): icmp_seq=3 ttl=119 time=5.12 ms  
64 bytes from bom12s07-in-f4.1e100.net (142.250.67.164): icmp_seq=4 ttl=119 time=4.30 ms  
^C  
--- www.google.com ping statistics ---  
4 packets transmitted, 4 received, 0% packet loss, time 3005ms  
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 4.298/4.633/5.122/0.307 ms
```

ping -c5 162.241.27.33:

- This command uses the -c (count) option that the ping command provides.
- This option will run the ping command only for the number of times specified.
- In this particular instance we have specified 5 counts.
- It will return responses from google.com, if it is up
- **Syntax:** ping -c <no_of_counts> <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
-> ping -c5 162.241.27.33  
PING 162.241.27.33 (162.241.27.33) 56(84) bytes of data.  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=1 ttl=45 time=242 ms  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=2 ttl=45 time=242 ms  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=3 ttl=45 time=242 ms  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=4 ttl=45 time=242 ms  
64 bytes from 162.241.27.33: icmp_seq=5 ttl=45 time=243 ms  
  
--- 162.241.27.33 ping statistics ---  
5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0% packet loss, time 4006ms  
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 241.631/242.254/242.644/0.342 ms
```

traceroute www.google.com:

- The traceroute command shows us the no. of hops that it takes to reach from your computer to a destination domain.
- It uses ICMP, TCP or UDP probing to send these packets and identify the routers that it encounters on the way to the destination.
- This command checks the route to google.com
- **Syntax:** traceroute <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
-> traceroute www.google.com  
traceroute to www.google.com (142.250.67.164), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets  
 1 windows.mshome.net (172.29.0.1)  0.282 ms  0.396 ms  0.216 ms  
 2 192.168.0.1 (192.168.0.1)  7.839 ms  7.818 ms  2.729 ms  
 3 172.169.2.250 (172.169.2.250)  8.970 ms  8.951 ms  8.924 ms  
 4 172.16.245.241 (172.16.245.241)  8.903 ms  8.756 ms  8.728 ms  
 5 103.27.170.10 (103.27.170.10)  7.512 ms  7.442 ms  7.446 ms  
 6 108.170.248.161 (108.170.248.161)  8.630 ms  4.771 ms  6.014 ms  
 7 142.250.227.75 (142.250.227.75)  5.996 ms  142.250.227.73 (142.250.227.73)  5.738 ms  5.712 ms  
 8 142.250.67.164 (142.250.67.164)  5.069 ms  5.056 ms  5.042 ms
```

traceroute 142.250.192.110:

- The traceroute command also allows us to use an IP address directly.
- It does the same thing that it does for domain names to identify the route to the destination
- This command checks the route to the IP address 142.250.192.110
- **Syntax:** traceroute <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
-> traceroute 142.250.192.110  
traceroute to 142.250.192.110 (142.250.192.110), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets  
 1  windows.mshome.net (172.29.0.1)  0.702 ms  0.664 ms  0.650 ms  
 2  192.168.0.1 (192.168.0.1)  2.159 ms  4.790 ms  4.772 ms  
 3  172.169.2.250 (172.169.2.250)  4.924 ms  4.905 ms  4.887 ms  
 4  172.16.245.241 (172.16.245.241)  7.454 ms  7.435 ms  5.373 ms  
 5  103.27.170.10 (103.27.170.10)  4.785 ms  5.331 ms  5.311 ms  
 6  108.170.248.177 (108.170.248.177)  7.305 ms  108.170.248.161 (108.170.248.161)  4.853 ms  108.170.24  
 8.177 (108.170.248.177)  7.182 ms  
 7  72.14.237.11 (72.14.237.11)  6.289 ms  4.590 ms  72.14.237.139 (72.14.237.139)  4.585 ms  
 8  bom12s17-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.192.110)  4.558 ms  4.540 ms  7.446 ms
```

nslookup www.facebook.com:

- The nslookup command helps us get DNS information for a given domain or IP
- It can give a Non-Authorized or Authorized answer
- It gives all the information about the IP, domain and name server
- This command does a lookup on facebook.com
- **Syntax:** nslookup <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
-> nslookup www.facebook.com  
Server:          172.29.0.1  
Address:         172.29.0.1#53  
  
Non-authoritative answer:  
www.facebook.com      canonical name = star-mini.c10r.facebook.com.  
Name:   star-mini.c10r.facebook.com  
Address: 31.13.79.35  
Name:   star-mini.c10r.facebook.com  
Address: 2a03:2880:f12f:183:face:b00c:0:25de
```

nslookup 162.241.27.33:

- The nslookup command helps us get DNS information for a given domain or IP
- It can give a Non-Authorized or Authorized answer
- It gives all the information about the IP, domain and name server
- This command does a lookup on facebook.com
- **Syntax:** nslookup <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🌲-> nslookup 162.241.27.33  
33.27.241.162.in-addr.arpa      name = 162-241-27-33.unifiedlayer.com.  
  
Authoritative answers can be found from:
```

nslookup -query=mx twitter.com:

- This command does a lookup but the -query=mx option tells it that it should look for mail server on the domain that we have specified
- It returns all the mail servers that may exist on the twitter.com domain name
- This command does a lookup on twitter.com
- **Syntax:** nslookup -query=mx <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🌲-> nslookup -query=mx twitter.com  
Server:      172.29.0.1  
Address:     172.29.0.1#53  
  
Non-authoritative answer:  
twitter.com  mail exchanger = 30 ASPMX3.GOOGLEMAIL.com.  
twitter.com  mail exchanger = 20 alt2.aspmx.l.google.com.  
twitter.com  mail exchanger = 30 ASPMX2.GOOGLEMAIL.com.  
twitter.com  mail exchanger = 10 aspmx.l.google.com.  
twitter.com  mail exchanger = 20 alt1.aspmx.l.google.com.  
  
Authoritative answers can be found from:
```

nslookup -query=ns twitter.com:

- This command uses the -query=ns option that tells it that it should look for name servers only on the domain that we have specified.
- This command does a lookup on twitter.com
- **Syntax:** nslookup -query=ns <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~
🌲-> nslookup -query=ns twitter.com
Server:          172.29.0.1
Address:         172.29.0.1#53

Non-authoritative answer:
twitter.com      nameserver = b.r06.twtrdns.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = ns3.p34.dynect.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = ns2.p34.dynect.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = a.r06.twtrdns.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = d01-02.ns.twtrdns.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = d.r06.twtrdns.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = ns1.p34.dynect.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = c.r06.twtrdns.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = ns4.p34.dynect.net.
twitter.com      nameserver = d01-01.ns.twtrdns.net.

Authoritative answers can be found from:
```

nslookup -query=soa twitter.com:

- By default, nslookup returns Non-Authorized answers.
- If we want to get back an Authorized answer, we must specify the -query=soa option.
- This option soa means Start of Authority and it is another type of DNS record like mx and ns
- This command does a lookup on twitter.com
- **Syntax:** nslookup -query=soa <ip or domain_name>
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🏠 -> nslookup -query=soa www.twitter.com  
Server:                172.29.0.1  
Address:               172.29.0.1#53  
  
Non-authoritative answer:  
www.twitter.com canonical name = twitter.com.  
twitter.com  
        origin = ns1.p26.dynect.net  
        mail addr = zone-admin.dyndns.com  
        serial = 2007176285  
        refresh = 3600  
        retry = 600  
        expire = 604800  
        minimum = 60  
  
Authoritative answers can be found from:
```


netstat -r:

- This option -r stands for routing tables.
- It displays all the kernel routing tables for the current system.
- **Syntax:** netstat -r
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
└─> netstat -r  
Kernel IP routing table  
Destination      Gateway           Genmask           Flags       MSS Window  irtt Iface  
default          windows.ms...    0.0.0.0           UG          0 0        0 eth0  
172.29.0.0       0.0.0.0          255.255.240.0     U           0 0        0 eth0
```

netstat -a:

- This option -a stands for all and it shows both listening and non-listening, TCP established connection sockets.
- **Syntax:** netstat -a
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
└─> netstat -a  
Active Internet connections (servers and established)  
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State  
Active UNIX domain sockets (servers and established)  
Proto RefCnt Flags       Type        State         I-Node    Path  
unix  2      [ ACC ]     SEQPACKET  LISTENING     1172      /run/WSL/8_interop
```

netstat -l:

- The default netstat command omits the output that this command gives us.
- This command shows all the listening sockets on the current machine configuration.
- **Syntax:** netstat -l
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
└─> netstat -l  
Active Internet connections (only servers)  
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State  
Active UNIX domain sockets (only servers)  
Proto RefCnt Flags       Type        State         I-Node    Path  
unix  2      [ ACC ]     SEQPACKET  LISTENING     1172      /run/WSL/8_interop
```

netstat -st:

- This command specifies two options: the s and t options.
- The -s option stands for statistics and it displays the summary statistics for the protocol that you specify.
- The -t option stands for the TCP protocol for which the statistics shall be displayed.
- **Syntax:** netstat -st
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🌲-> netstat -st  
IcmpMsg:  
    InType0: 23  
    InType3: 29  
    InType11: 42  
    OutType3: 49  
    OutType8: 23  
Tcp:  
    0 active connection openings  
    0 passive connection openings  
    0 failed connection attempts  
    0 connection resets received  
    0 connections established  
    0 segments received  
    0 segments sent out  
    0 segments retransmitted  
    0 bad segments received  
    0 resets sent
```

netstat -su:

- This command specifies two options: the s and u options.
- The -s option stands for statistics and it displays the summary statistics for the protocol that you specify.
- The -u option stands for the UDP protocol for which the statistics shall be displayed.
- **Syntax:** netstat -su
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
🌲 -> netstat -su  
IcmpMsg:  
    InType0: 23  
    InType3: 29  
    InType11: 42  
    OutType3: 49  
    OutType8: 23  
Udp:  
    48 packets received  
    53 packets to unknown port received  
    0 packet receive errors  
    131 packets sent  
    0 receive buffer errors  
    0 send buffer errors  
    IgnoredMulti: 94
```

arp:

- This command displays the Internet-to-Ethernet address translation tables used by the address resolution protocol (ARP).
- It provides various options to get specific data regarding the address tables.
- The primary function of this table is to resolve the IP address of a system to its MAC address.
- It works between the Data Link and the Network layer.
- **Syntax:** arp
- **Output:**

```
dan at 2020012004 in ~  
└─> arp  
Address                  Hwtype  Hwaddress      Flags Mask          Iface  
windows.mshome.net      ether    00:15:5d:18:17:ed  C           eth0
```

Conclusion: Hence we learned to use basic networking commands in Linux.