

# **EXERCISE 1: UNIX PROGRAMMING**

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**1) Create a file called hello.txt that contains the words "hello world". Can you use "cp" using "terminal" as the source file to achieve the same effect?**

Yes, on Linux the current terminal is identified by the device /dev/tty, so we can do:

```
cp /dev/tty hello.txt
```

After that enter hello world and click Ctrl+D. Our file will be created.

**2) How would you create and then delete a file called "\$SHELL"? Try it.**

We can't create a file named \$SHELL Because terminal interpretes it as a shell script command.

**3) What is the output of the command: echo {con,pre}{sent,fer}{s,ed}? Now, from your home directory, copy /etc/passwd and /etc/group into your home directory in one command given that you can only type /etc once.**

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- b. cp /etc{/passwd,/group} /home

**4) Use find and grep and sort to display a sorted list of all files in the /home subdirectory tree that contain the word hello somewhere inside them.**

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find /home -type f -print0 | xargs -0 grep -li "hello" | sort
```

**5) Type umask 000 and then create a file called world.txt containing the words "hello world". Look at the permissions on the file. What's happened? Now type umask 022 and create a file called world2.txt. When might this feature be useful?**

The permissions for owner, group and reader are (666). When we use **umask 000**, it becomes (666 - 000 = 666). So, anyone can read, write or modify the file. But with **umask 022**, it becomes (666 - 022 = 644) which implies that Owner has all the permissions but Group and reader can just read the file.

**6)Describe three different ways of setting the permissions on a file or directory to**

**r--r--r--. Create a file and see if this works.**

r--r--r-- denotes read-only permissions for User/owner, group as well as other. There are basically 3 ways to change the permissions:

Syntax: `chmod permissions filename`

- c. Absolute (Numeric) Mode: The corresponding number for read-only permission is 4. So, the command becomes:

`chmod 444 [filename]`

- d. Symbolic Mode: We can modify permissions for a specific user as well as we can use all to set the permission for all users.

- i. `chmod a=r [filename]`

- ii. Setting instructions one by one:

`chmod u=r [filename]`

`chmod g=r [filename]`

`chmod o=r [filename]`

**7)Run sleep 15 in the foreground, suspend it with Ctrl-z and then put it into the background with bg. Type jobs. Type ps. Bring the job back into the foreground with fg.**

```

harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ sleep 15
^Z
[1]+  Stopped                  sleep 15
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ bg
[1]+  sleep 15 &
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ jobs
[1]+  Running                  sleep 15 &
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
  4111 pts/0        00:00:00 bash
 17060 pts/0        00:00:00 sleep
 17074 pts/0        00:00:00 ps
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ fg
sleep 15
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$

```

8) Run sleep 15 in the background using &, and then use kill to terminate the process by its job number. Repeat, except this time kill the process by specifying its PID.

```

harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ sleep 15&
[1] 17455
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ kill 17455
[1]+  Terminated              sleep 15

```

9) Run sleep 15 in the background using &, and then use kill to suspend the process. Use bg to continue running the process.

```

harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ sleep 15&
[1] 19139
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ kill -STOP 19139

[1]+  Stopped                  sleep 15
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ BG
BG: command not found
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$ bg
[1]+  sleep 15 &
[1]+  Done                    sleep 15
harsh@harsh-Aspire-A515-51G:~$

```

**10) Use `grep` to isolate the line in `/etc/passwd` that contains your login details.**

```
grep -F "harsh" /etc/passwd
```