Linux and Linux Shell

Operation System, Linux OS, Linux Shell Commands

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Operating System

Definition, Functions, Components, Examples

What is an Operating System?



- The operating system (OS) controls the computer (device)
 - Controls the hardware, processes (programs), resources, users
- Manages computer hardware, software resources, and provides common services for computer programs
 - It also coordinates all of this to make sure each program gets what it needs
- Allows users to communicate with the computer without knowing how to speak the computer's language

Important Functions of Operating Systems



- Process management (programs, which run in the OS)
 - Process scheduling OS decides which process gets the processor, when and for how much time
 - Keeps tracks of processor and status of a process
- Memory management
 - Keeps tracks of primary memory (RAM), allocates / de-allocates memory for each process
- Users / privileges management
- Device management, file management, security, etc.

Operating Systems Components

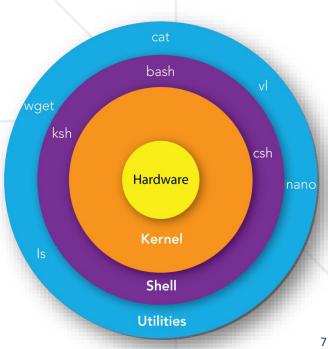


Kernel

- Essential OS component that loads first and remains within the main memory
- Provides the basic level of control of all the computer peripherals

Shell

- An interface between the OS and the user
- Helps users access the services, provided by the OS
- It might be a command-line interpreter (CLI) or GUI app
- Utilities == small programs that provide additional capabilities to those, provided by the operating system
 - e.g., text editor, ZIP archiver, remote shell (SSH)



OS Security



- OS security refers to providing a protection system for computer system resources and most importantly data
- Computers must be protected against unauthorized access, malicious access to system memory, viruses, worms, etc.
- OS security may be approached in many ways
 - Isolation between processes (RAM, CPU, file system)
 - Users, groups, permissions (process, file system, others)
 - Filtering all incoming and outgoing network traffic through a firewall

Shell Definition



- Shell == command line interpreter
- It provides an interface that takes commands and passes them to the operating system
- When in GUI, we use terminal emulators to interact with the shell

```
[root@centosmin ~]# uname -a
Linux centosmin.softuni.lab 3.10.0-514.el7.x86_64 #1 SMP Tue Nov 22 16:42:41 UTC
2016 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
[root@centosmin ~]#
[root@centosmin ~]#
[root@centosmin ~]# cat /etc/hostname
centosmin.softuni.lab
[root@centosmin ~]#
                                                               Kernel
[root@centosmin ~]#
                                                                    Operating
                                                     Hardware
                                                                                   Terminal
                                                                                              User
                                                                     System
                                                                            Shell
```



Linux Operating System

Architecture, Advantages and Disadvantages, Distribution

What is Linux?





- https://github.com/torvalds/linux
- Many distributions (variants), e.g., Ubuntu, Alpine,
 CentOS
- Linux is NOT the complete OS, it is just the Linux Kernel
 - Often the term is used to refer to the whole OS (Linux OS)
 - Linux Kernel is distributed along with all the necessary software and utilities, so that it can be used as an OS



Linux Distributions



- Linux has many distributions (vendors)
- Differences in console commands, file locations, package management systems
- Most popular Linux distributions
 - <u>Ubuntu</u> user-friendly, stable, popular
 - Alpine minimal, secure, lightweight
 - CentOS enterprise-grade, stable, secure
 - Debian robust, reliable, versatile
 - Fedora community version of Red Hat Enterprise Linux

Linux Advantages



- Linux is the most popular OS in the world
 - You have many, many resources, available everywhere
 - Books, tutorials, videos, forums, questions / answers, certification programs, software, tools, etc.
- Linux is open-source, so anyone can contribute / enhance it
- Linux is more secure in comparison to other operating systems
- In Linux there is a larger number of software updates
- Linux provides high performance and efficiency

Linux Disadvantages

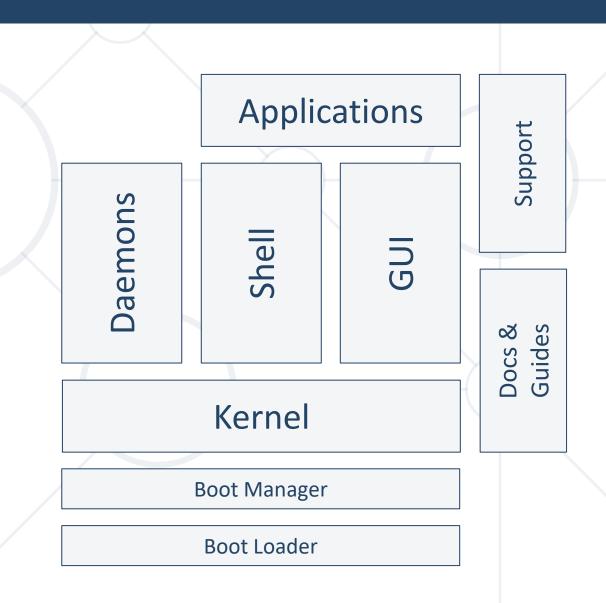


- Availability of apps: some applications that work on other OS do not work in Linux
- Other OS (like macOS, Windows) have better usability (UI and UX)
- Learning curve
 - It takes time and effort to master Linux
- Lack of standardization
 - Many distributions == many differences
- Some hardware drivers are not available for Linux

Linux OS Components

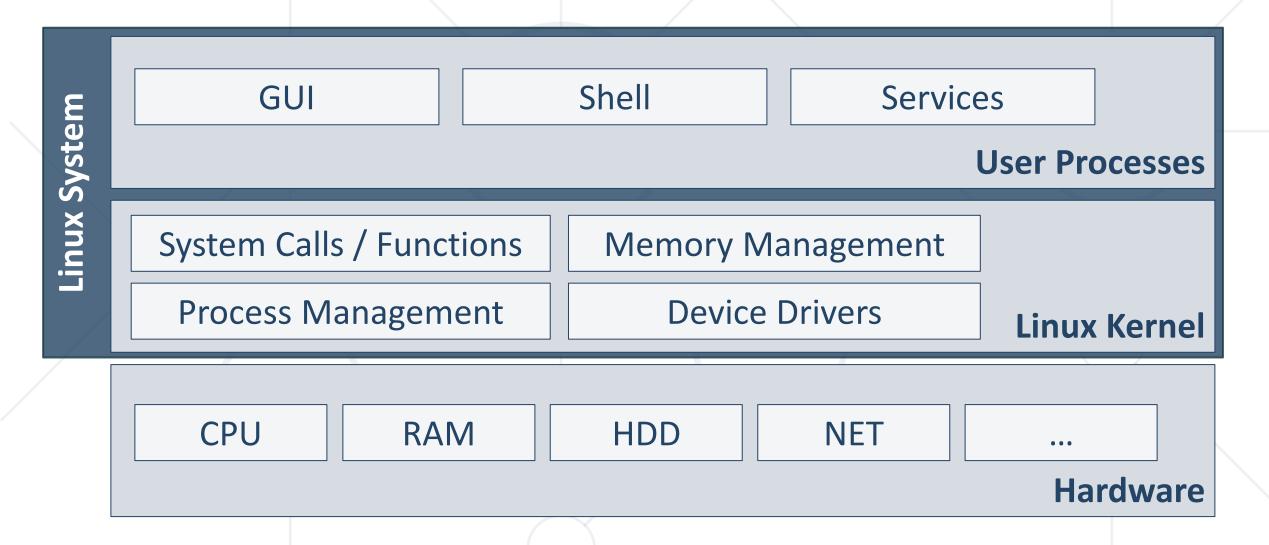


- System components
 - Boot loader
 - Boot manager
 - Kernel
- User components
 - Daemons (services)
 - Shell (command line)
 - Graphical environments
 - User applications
- Documentation and Support



Linux System Architecture







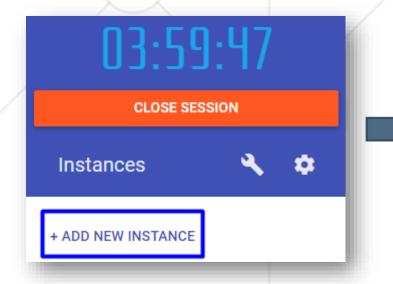
Linux Demo

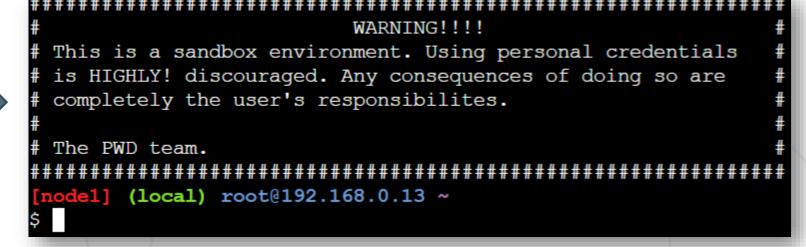
Simple Commands on the Console

Docker Playground



- Docker Playground gives you an online Linux virtual machine to experiment with
 - Open <u>Docker Playground</u> and log in
 - Press [Start] and add a new instance
 - Now you have a Linux environment (Alpine Linux)





Display the Current User



- The whoami command displays the currently logged-in user
- Example

```
user@host:~$ whoami
```

```
[node1] (local) root@192.168.0.28 ~

$ whoami
root
```

Check Linux System Info



■ Type the uname -a command to print OS information

```
[node1] (local) root@192.168.0.13 ~
$ uname -a
Linux node1 4.4.0-210-generic #242-Ubuntu SMP Fri Apr 16 09:57:56 UTC 2021
x86_64 Linux
```

- 1 Kernel name
- 2 Network hostname
- (3) Kernel release information

- 4 Kernel version information
- 5 Machine hardware name

Display Linux processes



- top [options]
- Examples

```
top - 11:10:12 up 54 min, 2 users, load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
Tasks: 105 total, 1 running, 103 sleeping, 1 stopped,
                                                       0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 0.0 us, 0.0 sy, 0.0 ni,100.0 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
MiB Mem :
          1983.4 total, 1441.7 free, 167.8 used, 373.9 buff/cache
          1965.0 total, 1965.0 free, 0.0 used.
MiB Swap:
                                                     1667.1 avail Mem
                                 RES
                                       SHR S %CPU %MEM
   PID USER
                PR NI
                         VIRT
                                                           TIME+ COMMAND
               -51 0
                                         0 S
   179 root
                                               0.3
                                                    0.0
                                                          0:01.09 irq/18-v
  1531 root
                20
                                         0 I
                                               0.3
                                                    0.0
                                                          0:00.43 kworker/
  1537 root
                20 0
                                         0 I
                                              0.3
                                                    0.0
                                                          0:01.81 kworker/
```

Display all active processes in interactive mode lsauser@ubuntu:~\$ top

user@host:~\$ top

lsauser@ubuntu:~\$ top -d 2 -n 5 -u lsauser

Display user's processes with 2 sec delay 5 times

user@host:~\$ top -d 2 -n 5

| PID USER | PR | NI | VIRT | RES | SHR S | %CPU | %MEM | TIME+ COMMAND |
|-------------|----|----|--------|------|--------|------|------|------------------|
| 977 lsauser | 20 | 0 | 18488 | 9828 | 8256 S | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0:00.05 systemd |
| 979 lsauser | 20 | 0 | 103304 | 3368 | 4 S | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0:00.00 (sd-pam) |



File System in Linux

Files, Directories and Basic Commands

The File System in Linux



- File system == OS component, which organizes and manages files and directories on a storage device (e.g., SSD disk)
 - Popular file systems: ext4, BTRFS, ZFS, NTFS
- Most Linux distributions use ext4 file system
 - Storage is organized in directories, which hold files and other directories
 - Files hold data (e.g., text data / binaries)
 - Special files: symlinks, pipes, sockets, ...

List files and directories



Syntax

```
ls [options]
```

Examples

```
user@host:~$ ls
```

user@host:~\$ ls -al

File Types



- Files and directories
 - Regular (-)
 - Directory (d)
- Special files
 - Symbolic link (1)
 - Block (b)
 - Character (c)
 - FIFO pipe (p)
 - Local socket (s)

```
drwxr-xr-x
           19 root root
                           4096 Mar 27 11:09 .
           19 root root
                           4096 Mar 27 11:09 ...
drwxr-xr-x
                              7 Apr 23 2020 bin -> usr/bin
1rwxrwxrwx
            1 root root
           2 root root
                           4096 Apr 23 2020 boot
drwxr-xr-x
                           3000 Mar 27 11:09 dev
           9 root root
drwxr-xr-x
drwxr-xr-x
           94 root root
                           4096 Mar 27 12:10 etc
           3 root root
drwxr-xr-x
                           4096 Dec 11 2021 home
           3 root root 1440152 May 7
                                        2022 init
-rwxr-xr-x
                                        2020 lib -> usr/lib
            1 root root
                              7 Apr 23
lrwxrwxrwx
```

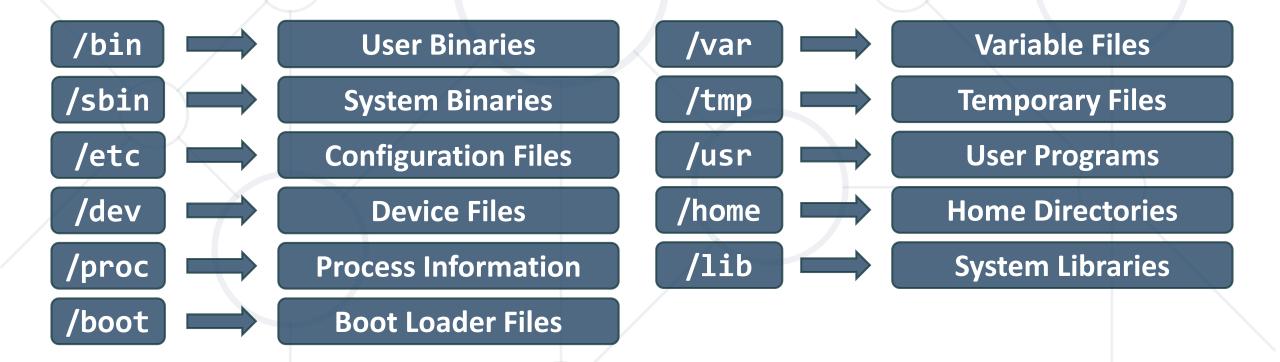
```
1 root root
                        1,
                              1 Mar 27 11:09 mem
crw-----
           2 root root
drwxr-xr-x
                             60 Mar 27 11:09 net
crw-rw-rw- 1 root root
                              3 Mar 27 11:09 null
crw----- 1 root root
                        10, 144 Mar 27 11:09 nvram
           1 root root 108,
                              0 Mar 27 11:09 ppp
crw-----
           1 root root
crw-rw-rw-
                              2 Mar 27 12:33 ptmx
drwxr-xr-x
           2 root root
                              0 Mar 27 11:09 pts
           1 root root
                              0 Mar 27 11:09 ram0
brw-----
                              1 Mar 27 11:09 ram1
           1 root root
                         1,
```

Examine Root Directory files



Syntax

ls /



Absolute vs Relative Path



- Absolute path (starts with /)
 - Calculated from the root of the file system tree, e.g., /dev/random
- Relative path (no leading /, uses . and . .)
 - Calculated from the current working directory, e.g., . . / . . / bin/
- If we are in /home/user and we want to list folders

```
# Absolute notation
user@host:~$ ls -al /usr/bin

# Relative notation
user@host:~$ ls -al .../
```

Files and Directories



Create directories

```
mkdir [options] directory [directory ...]
```

Copy files and directories

```
cp [options] source dest
```

Move/Rename files

```
mv [options] source dest
```

Remove files or directories

```
rm [options] file [file ...]
```

Files and Directories



Print the current working directory

```
pwd
```

Output the first part (10 lines by default) of files

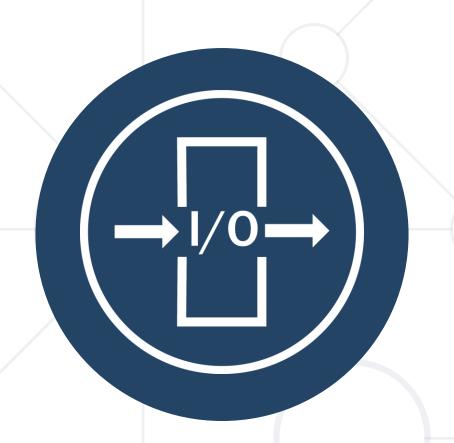
```
head [options] [files]
```

Output the last part (10 lines by default) of files

```
tail [options] [files]
```

Read data from the file and return the content as output

```
cat [filename]
```



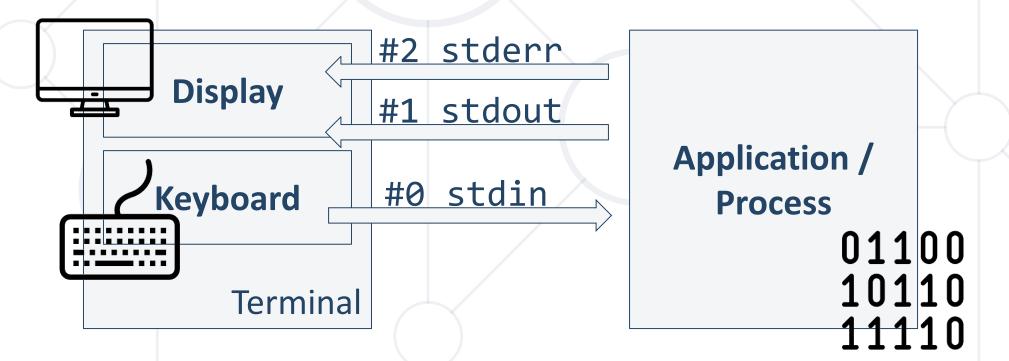
Input / Output Streams

Standard File Descriptors. Redirection

Standard File Descriptors



- stdin == standard input stream (N.0)
- stdout == standard output stream (N.1)
- stderr == standard error output stream (N.2)



Redirect Output (>)



 Redirect output streams (stdout or stderr) with target overwrite

Examples

user@host:~\$ echo 'Hello World.' > hello.txt

user@host:~\$ echo 'Hello World!' 1> hello.txt

1 == stdout

lsauser@ubuntu:~\$ echo 'Hello World!' > hello.txt
lsauser@ubuntu:~\$ echo 'Hello World!' 1> hello.txt

lsauser@ubuntu:~\$ cat hello.txt
Hello World!

Redirect Output with Append (>>)



- Redirect output streams (stdout or stderr) with target append
- Example

```
user@host:~$ echo 'Line #2' >> file.txt
```

```
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ cat file.txt
Line #1
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ echo 'Line #2' >> file.txt
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ cat file.txt
Line #1
Line #2
```

Redirect Input (<)



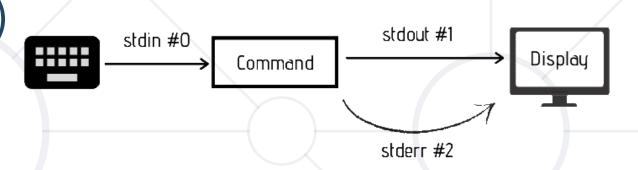
- Redirect input stream (stdin)
 - Usually, it is omitted
- Examples

```
user@host:~$ cat < hello.txt

user@host:~$ cat hello.txt

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Hell

Lsa
```



```
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ cat < hello.txt
Hello!
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ cat hello.txt
Hello!</pre>
```

The same



Command Sequences

Execute Multiple Commands. Substitution

Commands Sequences



- Execute in order (disconnected)
 - Sequence: command1 ; command2
- Execute in order (connected)
 - Pipe: command1 command2
- Execute conditionally
 - On Success: command1 && command2
 - On Failure: command1 | command2

Sequence (;)



- Always execute next command
- Example

```
user@host:~$ ls non-existing-file.txt ; echo Ok
```

```
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ ls non-existing-file.txt; echo Ok
ls: cannot access 'non-existing-file.txt': No such file or directory
Ok
```

Pipe (|)



Chaining two or more programs' output together

```
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ ls | sort | head -n 3
copy-file.txt
dir1
dir2
```

On Success (&&)



- Next command is executed if previous one exited with a status of 0 (success)
- Examples

```
user@host:~$ ls non-existing-file.txt && echo Ok>
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ ls non-existing-file.txt && echo Ok
ls: cannot access 'non-existing-file.txt': No such file or directory
user@host:~$ ls existing-file.txt && echo Ok
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ ls file.txt && echo Ok
file.txt
0k
```

On Failure (||)



- Next command is NOT attempted if previous one exited with 0
- Examples

```
user@host:~$ ls existing-file.txt | echo Ok>
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ ls file.txt | echo Ok
file.txt
user@host:~$ ls non-existing-file.txt
lsauser@ubuntu:~$ ls non-existing-file.txt || echo Ok
ls: cannot access 'non-existing-file.txt': No such file or directory
0k
```

Summary



- Operating systems manage all of the software and hardware on the computer
- Linux OS distributions & file system
- Shell definition
- Command sequences





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