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Notes 4: The Linux FS

Echo

Definition:

Display a line of text

Usage

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'echo' + 'option' + 'string'
```

Examples:

- Display a line of text without the new line
 - "echo -n "hello world"!
- Display a line of text that includes a horizontal tab

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• 'echo -e "\thello world""
```

- Display 2 lines of text in a single echo command * echo -e ``"Line 1\nLine2"
- Display 2 lines of text in a single echo command, with the second line starting with a tab

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• echo -e "Line 1\n\tLine 2""
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• Display 2 lines of text in a single echo command that starts with a tab

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• echo -e "\tLine 1\tLine 2"
```

File system

• The method by which an operating system organizes and stores files on a storage device.

Pathname

• The unique address used to locate a file or directory within a file system.

Absolute path

• Specifies the full location of a file or directory from the root directory.

Relative path

Defines the location of a file or directory in relation to the current working directory.

The difference between your home directory and the home directory

• Your home directory is the personal directory assigned to your user account, the home directory generally refers to the base directory where all users' home directories are stored.

Parent directory

• The directory that contains the current directory.

Child directory (or subdirectory)

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• A folder contained within another directory.

Bash special characters

• Symbols which have special meanings in shell scripting.

Environment variables

• Predefined system-wide variables that affect the shell's behavior. User-defined variables – Custom variables created by the user within a script.

Why we use \$ with variables in Bash shell scripting

• The \$ symbol is used to reference the value of a variable, distinguishing it from plain text.