

CPU

System parameters monitoring in Linux



How to Find Out CPU Load

Linux Terminal

```
[root@localhost ~]# uptime
09:15:21 up 24 min, 1 user, load average: 0.00, 0.01, 0.02
```

What does the **uptime** show?

- Current time
- How long does the system work without a reboot
- Logged users
- Load average represent the average system load over a period of time 1, 5, and 15 minutes respectively

The values are indicators of the **CPU queue length.**

Load Average and Multi-Core CPUs

On a single-core CPU effective load average is 1,00. That meaning all queue of processes do not have awaiting process and have full utilization of CPU.

On a ten-core CPU effective load average will be 10,00. The value 5,00 on a ten-core CPU will indicate that it is only half-loaded.

How Many Cores CPU Has

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Linux Terminal
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```
[root@localhost ~]# grep -c processor /proc/cpuinfo
4
[root@localhost ~]# nproc
4
```

Two ways to determine the number of CPU cores

Why Load Average

Load average values due to storage i/o and network workload, not just CPU demand.

Despite **Load Average** is an abstract value, it lets one quickly detect bottlenecks and assess overall system load.

Additional Information

Load (computing) - Wikipedia

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Load (computing)

Understanding the Load Average on Linux and Other Unix-like Systems

https://www.howtogeek.com/194642/understanding-the-load-average-on-linux-and-other-unix-like-systems/



Memory

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How to Find Out Memory Usage

Linux Terminal

| [root@localhost ~]# free -h | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|------|--------------|--------|------------|-----------|--|--|
| | total | used | free | shared | buff/cache | available | | |
| Mem: | 990 M | 162M | 725 M | 6.7M | 102M | 703M | | |
| Swap: | 819M | 0B | 819M | | | | | |

What does the **free** show?

- Total, used, free Mem statues
- Total, used, free Swap usage

-h show all output fields automatically scaled to shortest three digit unit and display the units of print out.

What Free Command Showing

| total | Total installed memory | | | | | |
|------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| used | Used memory (calculated as used = total - free - buffers - cache) | | | | | |
| free | Unused memory | | | | | |
| shared | Memory used (mostly) by tmpfs | | | | | |
| buff/cache | The combined memory used by the kernel buffers and page cache and slabs This memory can be reclaimed at any time if needed by the applications | | | | | |
| available | Estimation of how much memory is available for starting new applications, without swapping. | | | | | |

What are we Monitoring

Memory and Swap usage

- How much free memory is available for operating system and applications
- How much swap usage by operating system and applications

Additional Information

Linux Find Out What Process Are Using Swap Space

https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/linux-which-process-is-using-swap/

Exploring virtual memory with vmstat

https://www.redhat.com/sysadmin/linux-commands-vmstat

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Disks

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How to Find Out Disks Usage

Linux Terminal

```
[root@localhost ~]# df -h
Filesystem
                              Used Avail Use% Mounted on
                        Size
devtmpfs
                                   484M
                                           0% /de∨
                        484M
tmpfs
                        496M
                                    496M
                                           0% /dev/shm
                        496M
                             6.8M
                                   489M 2% /run
tmpfs
tmpfs
                        496M
                                    496M
                                           0% /sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/mapper/centos-root 6.2G 1.4G
                                   4.9G
                                         23% /
∠de∪/sda1
                       1014M
                             138M
                                    877M 14% /boot
                                    100M
tmpfs
                        100M
                                           0% /run/user/0
                                 0
```

What does the **df** show?

- Filesystems
- Size, Used, Avail, Use% disk size, used space, available space and used space in percent
- Mount on where filesystem in mounted

The key -i of the df command is showed inodes (inodes stores the attributes and disk block locations of the object's data) usage status.

How to Find Who Use a Disk

Linux Terminal

```
[root@localhost log]# du -h /etc/
        /etc/grub.d
72K
16K
        /etc/pki/rpm-gpg
160K
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/extracted/java
248K
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/extracted/openssl
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/extracted/pem
376K
788K
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/extracted
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/source/anchors
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/source/blacklist
4.0K
        /etc/pki/ca-trust/source
800K
        /etc/pki/ca-trust
```

What does the **du** show?

Size and path to file

It is useful to find out the names of directories and files that consume large amounts of space on a disk.

How to Monitor Disk Activities

IOSTAT

• **iostat** can be used to report the disk read/write rates and counts for an interval continuously. It collects disk statistics, waits for the given amount of time, collects them again and displays the difference.

IOTOP

• **iotop** is a top-like utility for displaying real-time disk activity. It can list the processes that are performing I/O, alongwith the disk bandwidth they are using.

DSTAT

• **dstat** is a little more user-friendly version of iostat and can show much more information than just disk bandwidth.

ATOP

• **atop** is particularly good for quickly grasping changes happening to the system. It does an excellent job of summarizing changes in each interval.

What are we Monitoring

Disk usage and empty space

- How many empty space is available at each drive on the system
- Which files or directories consume large amount of a disk
- How many inodes is available
- Real-time disk activity

Additional Information

Linux Check Disk Space Command To View System Disk Usage

https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/linux-check-disk-space-command/

5 tools for monitoring disk activity in Linux

https://www.opsdash.com/blog/disk-monitoring-linux.html

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Network

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How to Find Out Network Stats

Linux Terminal

```
[root@localhost ~1# ifconfig
emp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 10.0.2.15 netmask 255.255.25.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
       inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe08:9212 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
       ether 08:00:27:08:92:12 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 46 bytes 4602 (4.4 KiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 61 bytes 5310 (5.1 KiB)
       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
       inet6 :: 1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
       loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
       RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

What does the **ifconfig** show?

- Interface name and status
- inet (IPv4) and inet6 (IPv6) settings
- MAC address and queue length
- Interface stats RX (Receive) and TX (Transmit)



How to Monitor Network Bandwidth

Linux Terminal

Linux network traffic monitoring is one of the main parts of Linux troubleshooting. And can be done by many network monitoring utilities.

| application | description |
|-------------|---|
| iptraf | Monitor tool show many detailed information on the IP traffic (on screenshot) |
| nload | monitors network traffic and bandwidth usage in real time |
| iftop | monitor tool that produces a frequently updated list of network connections |



What are we Monitoring

RX (Receive) and TX (Transmit) bandwidth and errors

| bandwidth | maximum amount of data transmitted over an connection in a given amount of time | | | | | |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| packets | total number of packets received or transmitted | | | | | |
| bytes | total number of bytes received or transmitted over interface | | | | | |
| errors | total number of packets with error | | | | | |
| overruns | number of received packets that experienced fifo overruns, caused by rate at which a buffer gets full and kernel is not able to empty it | | | | | |

Benefits of network monitoring

Clear visibility into the network

• Through network monitoring, administrators can get a clear picture of all the connected devices in the network, see how data is moving among them, and quickly identify and correct issues that can undermine performance and lead to outages.

Better use of IT resources

• The hardware and software tools in network monitoring systems reduce manual work for IT teams. That means valuable IT staff have more time to devote to critical projects for the organization.

Early insight into future infrastructure needs

Network monitoring systems can provide reports on how network components have performed over a defined period. By
analyzing these reports, network administrators can anticipate when the organization may need to consider upgrading or
implementing new IT infrastructure.

The ability to identify security threats faster

• Network monitoring helps organizations understand what "normal" performance looks like for their networks. So, when unusual activity occurs, such as an unexplained increase in network traffic levels, it's easier for administrators to identify the issue quickly--and to determine whether it may be a security threat.

Additional Information

Monitoring Network Usage in Linux

https://www.baeldung.com/linux/monitor-network-usage

How to monitor network activity on a Linux system

https://linuxconfig.org/how-to-monitor-network-activity-on-a-linux-system



Processes

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How to Find Process List

Linux Terminal

```
top – 09:57:01 up 32 min, 2 users, load average: 0.00,0.01,0.05
Tasks: 94 total, 4 running, 90 sleeping, 0 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
KiB Mem : 1014756 total, 631104 free, 158600 used, 225052 buff/cache
          839676 total, 839676 free,
                                                     709656 avail Mem
KiB Swap:
                                            0 used.
 PID USER
              PR NI
                        UIRT
                               RES
                                      SHR S ZCPU ZMEM
                                                        TIME+ COMMAND
              20
                                                      0:00.14 xfsaild/dm-0
 399 root
                                            0.3
                                                 0.0
 1387 root
              20
                     161968
                              2180
                                     1540 R 0.3 0.2
                                                      0:00.06 top
                                                      0:01.59 systemd
   1 root
              20
                      128012
                              6620
                                     4144 S 0.0
                                                 0.7
```

Main points for monitor process of the system by using top command

- VIRT, RES, SHR virtual, real RAM, shared memory usage
- **S** current state of the process
- %CPU, %MEM used CPU and MEMORY in percentage
- TIME+ CPU time by command
- COMMAND application name which uses resources of the system

How to Find Which Process Use Memory or CPU

The **top** command can show sorted list of processes by memory or CPU usage:

- top -o %MEM sort process list by usage memory in percent
- top -o %CPU sort process list by CPU usage, it can be more than 100% if process use more than one CPU core

Use **Shift** + > or < to switch the column which sorted in rotation

Who to Find Process Status

Linux Terminal

| [root@ | [root@localhost ~]# ps aux less | | | | | | | | | |
|--------|-----------------------------------|------|------|--------|------|-----|------|-------|------|----------------------------------|
| USER | PID | ∠CPU | %MEM | USZ | RSS | TTY | STAT | START | TIME | COMMAND |
| root | 1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 128012 | 6620 | ? | Ss | 01:26 | 0:00 | /usr/lib/systemd/systemdswitched |
| -root | -rootsystemdeserialize 22 | | | | | | | | | |
| root | 2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | ? | S | 01:26 | 0:00 | [kthreadd] |
| root | 4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | ? | S< | 01:26 | 0:00 | [kworker/0:0H] |
| root | 5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | ? | S | 01:26 | 0:00 | [kworker/u2:0] |
| root | 6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | ? | S | 01:26 | 0:00 | [ksoftirqd/0] |
| root | 7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | ? | S | 01:26 | 0:00 | [migration/0] |
| root | 8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | ? | S | 01:26 | 0:00 | [rcu_bh] |

The **ps** command can show displays the currently-running processes. Top useful **ps** options:

- ps aux | less show full list of processes thought less command
- ps aux | grep <PID | program name | user> show processes filtered by PID or application name or username

Why we Need Monitor Processes

CAUSES OF HIGH CPU USAGE

• if the process uses a high CPU this may be showing many problems like working with many tasks, bottleneck with memory, disks or network issues. Investigation of high usage of CPU need to knows the type of application and minimal system requirements. Sometimes of high CPU usage may depend on high usage of memory and swap.

CAUSES OF HIGH MEMORY USAGE

• If an application uses a big amount of memory and uses a swap, it indicates an improperly configured application or low physical memory at the host machine. For example, a database can work with a big amount of data and improper configuration can fill all available memory and swap.

Additional Information

top command in Linux with Examples

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/top-command-in-linux-with-examples/

30 useful commands of «ps» for process monitoring in Linux (Russian)

https://blog.sedicomm.com/2018/05/28/30-poleznyh-komand-ps-dlya-monitoringa-protsessov-linux/

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