

Linux Lab -2

Basic Linux Command

1. Ls command :-

Displays information about files in the current directory.

Syntax :- **ls**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log  folder1  folder2  folder3  folder4  hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

2. Pwd command :-

Displays the current working directory.

Syntax :- **pwd**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/hello1$ pwd
/home/tryhackme/hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~/hello1$
```

3. Mkdir command :-

This mkdir command allows you to create fresh directories in the terminal itself.

Syntax :- **mkdir <directory name>**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ mkdir hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

4. Cd command :-

The cd command is used to navigate between directories.

Syntax :- **cd <directory name>**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ mkdir hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~$ cd hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~/hello1$
```

5. Rmdir command :-

The rmdir command is used to delete permanently an empty directory.

Syntax :- **rmdir <directory name>**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ mkdir ps1
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log  folder1  folder2  folder3  folder4  hello1  ps1
tryhackme@linux1:~$ rmdir ps1
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log  folder1  folder2  folder3  folder4  hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

6. Cat command :-

Display file contents on terminal

Syntax :- **cat <file name>**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat note.txt
Hello World!
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

7. Whatis command :-

whatis command in Linux is used to get a one-line manual page description.

Syntax :- **whatis [option] [command_name]**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log folder1 folder2 folder3 folder4 hello1
tryhackme@linux1:~$ whatis ls
ls (1)                  - list directory contents
```

8. Find command :-

The find command in Linux is a dynamic utility designed for comprehensive file and directory searches within a hierarchical structure.

Syntax :- **find [path] [options] [expression]**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ find
./
./hello1
./folder1
./profile
./bashrc
./folder4
./folder4/note.txt
./bash_history
./cache
./cache/motd.legal-displayed
./access.log
./folder2
./Xauthority
./folder3
./bash_logout
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

9. Echo command :-

echo command in Linux is specially used to print something in the terminal

Syntax :- **echo <Text>**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ echo "Hello Friend!"
Hello Friend!
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

10. Cal command :-

The cal command is not the most famous command in the terminal but it functions to view the calendar for a particular month in the terminal. Let's see how this works.

Syntax :- **cal <month> <Year>**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ cal 4 1997
      April 1997
Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa
                1  2  3  4  5
 6  7  8  9 10 11 12
13 14 15 16 17 18 19
20 21 22 23 24 25 26
27 28 29 30
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

11. Date command :-

Date command is used to display the system date and time. date command is also used to set date and time of the system.

Syntax :- **date**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ date
Fri Sep  6 09:25:09 UTC 2024
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

12. Cd - command :-

Cd - command is used to go back to previous directory in terminal of the system.

Syntax :- **cd -**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/hello1$ cd -
/home/tryhackme
tryhackme@linux1:~$
```

13. Cp command :-

The cp command copies files or directories from a source to a destination. It can handle single or multiple files and directories, and it can also overwrite existing files if specified.

Syntax: **cp [options] source destination**

Example:

```
Last login: Sun Sep 22 15:48:48 2024 from 10.100.1.28
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log  copycommand  folder1  folder2  folder3  folder4
tryhackme@linux1:~$ cd copycommand
tryhackme@linux1:~/copycommand$ ls
1.txt  copy.txt  demo.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/copycommand$ cp demo.txt new.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/copycommand$ ls
1.txt  copy.txt  demo.txt  new.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/copycommand$ █
```

14. mv

The mv command in Linux is used to move or rename files and directories.

Syntax: **mv [options] source destination**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ cd folder4
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ ls
new.txt  note.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ mv note.txt new.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ ls
new.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ █
```

15. head

The head command outputs the first part of files or input data. It is commonly used to preview the beginning of a file or stream.

Syntax: **head [options] [file...]**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ head demo.txt
This is Shreya Adsule
From CSIT department
Acropolis Institute of Technology and Research
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ tail demo.txt
This is Shreya Adsule
From CSIT department
Acropolis Institute of Technology and Research
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ █
```

16. tail

The tail command outputs the last part of files or input data. It is often used to view the most recent entries in a log file or to monitor the end of a file for changes.

Syntax: **tail [options] [file...]**

Example :

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ head demo.txt
This is Shreya Adsule
From CSIT department
Acropolis Institute of Technology and Research
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ tail demo.txt
This is Shreya Adsule
From CSIT department
Acropolis Institute of Technology and Research
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ █
```

17. sudo

The sudo command grants elevated privileges to run commands that require root or administrative permissions. It's typically used to perform system administration tasks.

Syntax: **sudo [options] command**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~$ sudo -h
sudo - execute a command as another user

usage: sudo -h | -K | -k | -V
usage: sudo -v [-ABkNnS] [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-u user]
usage: sudo -l [-ABkNnS] [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-U user]
           [-u user] [command [arg ...]]
usage: sudo [-ABbEHkNnPS] [-r role] [-t type] [-C num] [-D directory]
           [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-R directory] [-T timeout]
           [-u user] [VAR=value] [-i | -s] [command [arg ...]]
usage: sudo -e [-ABkNnS] [-r role] [-t type] [-C num] [-D directory]
           [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-R directory] [-T timeout]
           [-u user] file ...

Options:
-A, --askpass          use a helper program for password prompting
-b, --background      run command in the background
-B, --bell            ring bell when prompting
-C, --close-from=num  close all file descriptors >= num
-D, --chdir=directory change the working directory before running
                        command
-E, --preserve-env     preserve user environment when running command
```

18. ifconfig

The ifconfig (interface configuration) command is used to display or configure a network interface.

Syntax: **ifconfig [interface] [options]**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.0.2.15 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
    inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:feb7:96d prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    inet6 fd00::a00:27ff:feb7:96d prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x0<global>
    inet6 fd00::56cd:195c:2024:fba6 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x0<global>
    ether 08:00:27:b7:09:6d txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 843 bytes 390380 (390.3 KB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 1089 bytes 124455 (124.4 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
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 516 bytes 47295 (47.2 KB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 516 bytes 47295 (47.2 KB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

vboxuser@UBUNTU:~$
```

19. more

The `more` command displays the contents of a file, pausing after each screen of text. It is useful for viewing long files that don't fit on a single screen.

Syntax: **more [options] [file]**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ more demo.txt
This is Shreya Adsule
From CSIT department
Acropolis Institute of Technology and Research
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

20. ps

The `ps` command provides a snapshot of current processes, showing details like process IDs (PIDs), terminal associated with the process, CPU and memory usage, and the command that started the process.

Syntax: **ps [options]**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
 3506 pts/0        00:00:00 bash
 3756 pts/0        00:00:00 ps
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

21. cat >

Using `cat > filename`, you can start typing text directly into a new file. This command redirects the terminal input into the specified file until you signal that you're done.

Syntax: **cat > filename**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat > demo.txt
Hi me Student
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat demo.txt
Hi me Student
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

22. cat >>

Using `cat >> filename`, you can add new content to the end of a specified file. This command allows you to continue writing to the file without overwriting its current contents.

Syntax: **cat >> filename**

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ ls
demo.txt  new.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat demo.txt
Hi me Student
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat >> demo.txt
Hi, This is Shreya Adsule
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat demo.txt
Hi me Student
Hi, This is Shreya Adsule
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

23. ls -l

The `ls -l` command lists files and directories in a long format, showing detailed attributes for each item, including permissions, number of links, owner, group, size, and modification date.

Syntax: **ls -l [directory]**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls -l
total 12
drwxrwxr-x 2 vboxuser vboxuser 4096 Sep 19 19:07 hello
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vboxuser vboxuser  28 Sep 20 09:09 Intro.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vboxuser vboxuser  22 Sep 19 19:03 new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

24. ls -a

The `ls -a` command displays all entries in a directory, including those that begin with a dot (`.`), which are considered hidden files in Unix-like systems.

Syntax: **`ls -a [directory]`**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls -a
.  ..  hello  Intro.txt  .Myfile.swp  .Newf.swp  new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

25. touch

The `touch` command creates a new, empty file if the specified file does not exist. If the file already exists, it updates the access and modification timestamps to the current time without modifying the file's content.

Syntax: **`touch [options] filename`**

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ touch newfile1
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls
hello  Intro.txt  newfile1  new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

26. ln

The `ln` command in Linux is used to create links between files. There are two types of links: hard links and symbolic (soft) links.

Syntax: **`ln [options] target [link_name]`**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ ln demo.txt me
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ cat me
Hi me Student
Hi, This is Shreya Adsule
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

27. date

The date command in Linux is used to display or set the system date and time.

Syntax: **date** [options] [+format]

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ date
Fri Sep 20 09:31:05 AM UTC 2024
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

28. netstat

The netstat command provides information about active network connections and network interface statistics, helping users monitor and troubleshoot network issues.

Syntax: **netstat** [options]

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ netstat
Active Internet connections (w/o servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State
udp        0      0 UBUNTU:bootpc          _gateway:bootps        ESTABLISHED

Active UNIX domain sockets (w/o servers)
Proto RefCnt Flags   Type       State         I-Node  Path
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    10897    /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    16513
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    15489
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    14895
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    14106    /run/user/1000/bus
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    13172
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    13686    /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    8556
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    11559    /run/dbus/system_bus_socket
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    19374    /run/user/1000/bus
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    15550    /run/systemd/journal/stdout
unix    3      [ ]     STREAM    CONNECTED    15426    /run/systemd/journal/stdout
```

29. gid

In Linux, GID stands for Group Identifier. It is a numeric value used to identify a specific group on the system. Each user in Linux can belong to one or more groups, and each group is assigned a unique GID.

Syntax: **id** username

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ id
uid=1000(vboxuser) gid=1000(vboxuser) groups=1000(vboxuser),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),100(users),114(lpadmin)
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

30. chmod

The chmod command allows users to specify who can read, write, or execute a file. Permissions can be set for three categories: the file owner, the group, and others.

Syntax: **chmod [options] mode file**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ chmod u+rw Intro.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

31. man

The man command is a built-in command that allows users to access the manual documentation for commands, functions, system calls, and other components in Linux.

Syntax: **man [options] command**

Example :

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ man chmod
```



32. rm

The `rm` command allows users to delete files and directories from the filesystem. It is a powerful command that permanently removes files without placing them in a recycle bin or trash.

Syntax: **rm [options] file**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls
hello Intro.txt link my newfile1 new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ rm my
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls
hello Intro.txt link newfile1 new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

33. rmdir

The `rmdir` command allows users to delete directories, but it can only remove those that are empty. If the directory contains files or other directories, the command will fail.

Syntax: **rmdir [options] directory**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls
hello hello1 Intro.txt link newfile1 new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ rmdir hello1
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ ls
hello Intro.txt link newfile1 new.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

34. less

The `less` command provides a convenient way to scroll through text files, allowing both forward and backward navigation.

Syntax: **less [options] file**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ less Intro.txt
```

35. grep

The grep command searches through the input (files or standard input) and prints lines that match a specified pattern. It's commonly used for text processing and searching logs.

Syntax: **grep [options] pattern [file...]**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ ls
demo.txt  me  new.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ grep Shreya demo.txt
Hi, This is Shreya Adsule
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

36. locate

The locate command searches for files and directories in a database that contains the paths of all files on the system. This database is typically updated daily by a background service (updatedb), allowing for fast searches.

Syntax: **locate [options] pattern**

Example:

```
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$ locate Intro.txt
/home/vboxuser/Documents/MY/Intro.txt
/home/vboxuser/Documents/MY/hello/Intro.txt
vboxuser@UBUNTU:~/Documents/MY$
```

37. sort

The sort command arranges the lines of a file or input in a specified order (ascending or descending). By default, it sorts in ascending order based on the ASCII values of characters.

Syntax: **sort [options] [file...]**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ sort demo.txt
Hi me Student
Hi, This is Shreya Adsule
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

38. pid

The PID (process identification number) is a serial number (starting from 1) given by the operating system to uniquely identify the process. Every process started either by the operating system or by the user gets a PID in order of their invocation by the kernel.

Syntax: **pidof <exact_process_name>**

Example:

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
  1113 pts/1        00:00:00 bash
  1152 pts/1        00:00:00 ps
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$ pidof word
tryhackme@linux1:~/folder4$
```

39. whoami

The command allows Linux users to see the currently logged-in user. The output displays the username of the effective user in the current shell. Additionally, whoami is useful in bash scripting to show who runs the script

Syntax : **whoami [OPTION]**

Example :


```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ whoami
tryhackme
tryhackme@linux1:~$ █
```

40. kill

kill command in Linux (located in /bin/kill), is a built-in command which is used to terminate processes manually

Syntax : **kill [signal] PID**

Example :

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
  1113 pts/1    00:00:00 bash
  1192 pts/1    00:00:00 ps
tryhackme@linux1:~$ kill
kill: usage: kill [-s sigspec | -n signum | -sigspec] pid | jobspec ... or kill -l [sigspec]
tryhackme@linux1:~$ kill 1192█
```

41. kill all

The killall command in Linux is a utility that terminates running processes based on their name. It can be useful when you need to kill multiple instances of a process or when you don't know the process ID (PID).

Syntax : **killall [-] [-signal]**

Example :

```
ubuntu@ubuntu1804:~$
ubuntu@ubuntu1804:~$ sudo killall yes
[1] Terminated                  yes > /dev/null
[2] Terminated                  sudo yes > /dev/null
[3] Terminated                  sudo yes > /dev/null
[5]- Terminated                 sudo yes > /dev/null
[6]+ Terminated                 sudo yes > /dev/null
ubuntu@ubuntu1804:~$ █
```

42. wc

wc stands for **word count**. As the name implies, it is mainly used for counting purpose. It is used to find out **number of lines, word count, byte and characters count** in the files specified in the file arguments.

Syntax : **wc [option]... [file]...**

Example :

```
tryhackme@linux1:~/student$ ls
newfile.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/student$ wc newfile.txt
 3  9 55 newfile.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/student$ wc -l newfile.txt
3 newfile.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/student$ wc -c newfile.txt
55 newfile.txt
tryhackme@linux1:~/student$ █
```

43. su

The su command in Linux switches users or executes commands as a different user. It's useful for administrative tasks that require elevated privileges.

Syntax : **su [options] [username]**

Example :

```
tryhackme@linux1:~$ ls
access.log  folder1  folder2  folder3  folder4  student
tryhackme@linux1:~$ su
Password:
tryhackme@linux1:~$ █
```