

# NGS 2017 Workshop Cheatsheet



# 1. Basic Linux Commands

## 1.1. Browse the directory structure

<code>pwd</code>	tell you where you are
<code>ls</code>	list the content of the current directory
<code>ls &lt;directory&gt;</code>	list the content of a directory
<code>cd &lt;directory&gt;</code>	go to the specified directory
<code>cd ~</code> (or <code>cd</code> )	go to your home directory
<code>cd ..</code>	go to the parent directory
<code>tree &lt;directory&gt;</code>	list the content of a directory in a tree-like format
<code>mkdir &lt;directory&gt;</code>	create the specified directory

## 1.2. View the content of a file

<code>less, more</code>	view text with paging
<code>head</code>	print first lines of a file
<code>tail</code>	print last lines of a file
<code>cat</code>	print the content of a file to the screen
<code>zcat</code>	print the content of a <b>gzip</b> compressed file to the screen

## 1.3. File manipulations

<code>rm &lt;file&gt;</code>	remove <b>file</b>
<code>cp &lt;file1&gt; &lt;file2&gt;</code>	copy <b>file1</b> to <b>file2</b>
<code>mv &lt;file1&gt; &lt;file2&gt;</code>	rename <b>file1</b> to <b>file2</b>

## 1.4. Some other useful commands

<code>find &lt;folder&gt;/ -type f</code>	recursively find all files in a specific folder
<code>find . -name '&lt;pattern&gt;'</code>	recursively find anything whose name contains <b>&lt;pattern&gt;</b> in the current folder (Single quotes must be used in order to avoid wildcard expansion by the shell)
<code>grep &lt;pattern&gt;</code>	show lines of text containing a given pattern

<code>grep -v &lt;pattern&gt;</code>	show lines of text not containing a given pattern
<code>sort</code>	sort lines of text files
<code>wc</code>	count words, lines and characters
<code>&gt;</code> (output redirection)	allow to redirect the output to a file
<code> </code> (pipe)	allow to send the output from one program to another
<code>cut</code>	extract selected portion of each line from one or more files
<code>echo</code>	input a line of text and display it on standard output

## 1.5. AWK programming

**AWK** - UNIX shell programming language. A fast and stable tool for processing text files.

<code>awk '/www/ { print \$0 }' &lt;file&gt;</code>	search for the pattern <b>www</b> in each line of the file
<code>awk '\$3=="www"' &lt;file&gt;</code>	search for the exact match of <b>www</b> in the third column of the file
<code>awk 'length(\$0) &gt; 80' &lt;file&gt;</code>	print every line in the file that is longer than 80 characters
<code>awk 'NR % 2 == 0' &lt;file&gt;</code>	print even-numbered lines of the file

### 1.5.1. Some built-in variables

NR	Number of records
NF	Number of fields
FS	Field separator character
OFS	Output field separator character



See [www.grymoire.com/Unix/Awk.html](http://www.grymoire.com/Unix/Awk.html) and [www.tutorialspoint.com/awk/awk\\_basic\\_examples.htm](http://www.tutorialspoint.com/awk/awk_basic_examples.htm) for more information

## 2. Writing and editing files

### 2.1. GNU nano

GNU nano is a text editor for Unix-like operating systems using a command line interface. The following sections describe the commands used for opening, editing and saving files using nano.

### 2.1.1. File Control

nano main.nf	Open or create the file <code>main.nf</code>
kbd:[Ctrl+o] kbd:[Enter]	Save changes
kbd:[Ctrl+x]	Quit

### 2.1.2. Navigating through file contents

kbd:[Ctrl+a]	Move to the beginning of the current line
kbd:[Ctrl+e]	Move to the end of the current line
kbd:[Ctrl+v]	Move down one page
kbd:[Ctrl+y]	Move up one page
kbd:[Ctrl+w] kbd:[Ctrl+y]	Go to the beginning of the file
kbd:[Ctrl+w] kbd:[Ctrl+v]	Go to the end of the file

### 2.1.3. Copy and Paste

kbd:[Ctrl+c] (Mac kbd:[Cmd+c])	Copy the current selection to the clipboard
kbd:[Ctrl+v] (Mac kbd:[Cmd+c])	Paste the contents from the clipboard at the current cursor position
kbd:[Ctrl+k]	Cut from the current cursor position to the end of the current line
kbd:[Ctrl+d]	Delete the character at the current cursor position

### 2.1.4. Search and Replace

kbd:[Ctrl+w]	Search for a target string
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