# WELCOME To: MODULE 4

# LINUX FUNDAMENTALS

#### **COMMANDS SYNTAX**

Command options and arguments

Commands typically have the syntax: command option(s) argument(s)

#### **Options:**

Modify the way that a command works
Usually consist of a hyphen or dash followed by a single letter
Some commands accept multiple options which can usually be grouped together after a single hyphen

#### **Arguments:**

Most commands are used together with one or more arguments

Some commands assume a default argument if none is supplied

Arguments are optional for some commands and required by others

#### FILE PERMISSIONS

- UNIX is a multi-user system. Every file and directory in your account can be protected from or made accessible to other users by changing its access permissions. Every user has responsibility for controlling access to their files.
- Permissions for a file or directory may be restricted to by types
- There are 3 type of permissions
  - r read
  - w write
  - x exeawke = running a program
- Each permission (rwx) can be controlled at three levels:
  - u user = yourself
  - g group = can be people in the same project
  - o other = everyone on the system
- File or Directory permission can be displayed by running ls –l command
  - -rwxrwxrwx
- Command to change permission
  - chmod

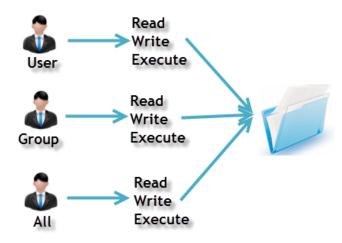
#### **Permission Using Numeric Mode**

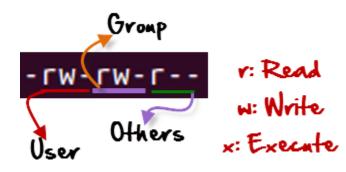
- Permission to a file and directory can also be assigned numerically
  - chmod ugo+r FILE

OR

• chmod 444 FILE

#### Owners assigned Permission On Every File and Directory





## **Permission Using Numeric Mode**

• The table below assigns numbers to permissions types

Number	Permission Type	Symbol
0	No Permission	
1	Execute	X
2	Write	-W-
3	Execute + Write	-WX
4	Read	r
5	Read + Execute	r-x
6	Read +Write	rw-
7	Read + Write +Execute	rwx

• chmod 764 FILE



# **Permission Using Numeric Mode**

• Online calculators can be used as well

Owner	Group	Public
Read 🗉	Read 🗉	Read 🗉
Write	Write	Write 🗆
Execute	Execute	Execute
Linux Permissions:	0666	-rw-rw-

#### FILE OWNERSHIP

- There are 2 owners of a file or directory
  - User and group
- Command to change file ownership
  - chown and chgrp
    - chown changes the ownership of a file
    - chgrp changes the group ownership of a file
- Recursive ownership change option (Cascade)
  - -R

# Help Commands

• There are 3 types of help commands

- •whatis command
- •command --help
- •man command

# TAB Completion and Up Arrow

- Hitting TAB key completes the available commands, files or directories
  - chm TAB
  - •ls j<TAB>
  - •cd Des<TAB>

• Hitting up arrow key on the keyboard returns the last command ran.

# Adding Text to Files (Redirects)

- 3 Simple ways to add text to a file
  - vi
  - •Redirect command output > or >>
  - •echo > or >>

#### INPUT AND OUTPUT REDIRECTS

- There are 3 redirects in Linux
  - 1. Standard input (stdin) and it has file descriptor number as 0
  - 2. Standard output (stdout) and it has file descriptor number as 1
  - 3. Standard error (stderr) and it has file descriptor number as 2
- Output (**stdout**) 1
  - By default when running a command its output goes to the terminal
  - The output of a command can be routed to a file using > symbol
    - E.g. ls -1 > listings pwd > findpath
  - If using the same file for additional output or to append to the same file then use >>
    - E.g. ls -la >> listings
       echo "Hello World" >> findpath.

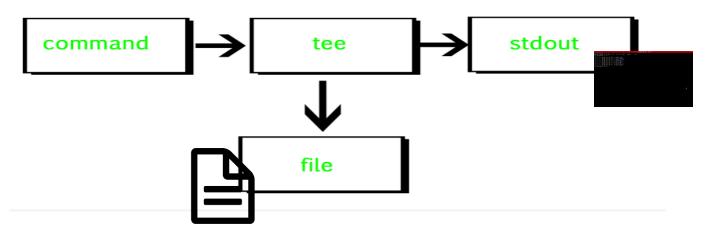
#### INPUT AND OUTPUT REDIRECTS

- Input (**stdin**) 0
  - Input is used when feeding file contents to a file
    - E.g. cat < listings
      mail -s "Office memo" allusers@abc.com < memoletter
- Error (**stderr**) 2
  - When a command is executed we use a keyboard and that is also considered (stdin -0)
  - That command output goes on the monitor and that output is (stdout 1)
  - If the command produced any error on the screen then it is considered (stderr -2)
    - We can use redirects to route errors from the screen
      - E.g ls -1 /root 2> errorfile telnet localhost 2> errorfile.

### Standard Output to a File (tee)

- "tee" command is used to store and view (both at the same time) the output of any command
- The command is named after the T-splitter used in plumbing. It basically breaks the output of a program so that it can be both displayed and saved in a file. It does both the tasks simultaneously, copies the result into the specified files or variables and also display the result.





#### **PIPES**

• A pipe is used by the shell to connect the output of one command directly to the input of another command.

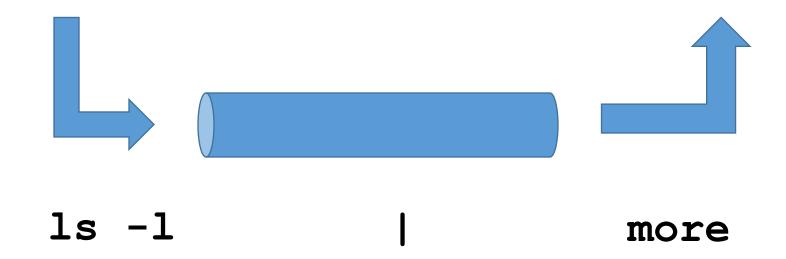
The symbol for a pipe is the vertical bar ( | ). The command syntax is:

command1 [arguments] | command2 [arguments]





# **PIPES**



# FILE MAINTENANCE COMMANDS

- cp
- rm
- mv
- mkdir
- •rmdir or rm -r
- chgrp
- chown

# FILE DISPLAY COMMANDS

- •cat
- •more
- •less
- head
- tail

#### Filters / Text Processors Commands

- cut
- awk
- •grep and egrep
- sort
- •uniq
- WC

#### cut - Text Processors Commands

# cut

 cut is a command line utility that allows you to cut parts of lines from specified files or piped data and print the result to standard output. It can be used to cut parts of a line by delimiter, byte position, and character



```
• cut filename
                                                Does not work
                                                Check version
cut --version
• cut -c1 filename
                                                List one character
                                                Pick and chose character
• cut -c1,2,4
                                      =
• cut -c1-3 filename
                                                List range of characters
                                                List specific range of characters
• cut -c1-3,6-8 filename
• cut -b1-3 filename
                                                List by byte size
                                                List first 6<sup>th</sup> column separated by :
• cut -d: -f 6 /etc/passwd
• cut -d: -f 6-7 /etc/passwd
                                                List first 6 and 7<sup>th</sup> column separated by :
• ls -1 | cut -c2-4
                                                Only print user permissions of files/dir
```

#### **awk** - Text Processors Commands

# awk

awk is a utility/language designed for data extraction. Most of the time it is used to extract fields from a
file or from an output

```
awk --version
awk `{print $1}' file
ls -l | awk `{print $1,$3}'
ls -l | awk `{print $NF}'
awk '/Jerry/ {print}' file
awk -F: '{print $1}' /etc/passwd
echo "Hello Tom" | awk '{$2="Adam"; print $0}'
cat file | awk '{$2="Imran"; print $0}'
awk 'length($0) > 15' file
ls -l | awk '{if($9 == "seinfeld") print $0;}'
ls -l | awk '{print NF}'
```

- = Check version
- = List 1<sup>st</sup> field from a file
- = List 1 and 3<sup>rd</sup> field of ls -l output
- = Last field of the output
- = Search for a specific word
- = Ouput only 1<sup>st</sup> field of /etc/passwd
- = Replace words field words
- = Replace words field words
- = Get lines that have more than 15 byte size
- = Get the field matching seinfeld in /home/iafzal
- = Number of fields.



#### grep/egrep - Text Processors Commands

- What is grep?
  - The grep command which stands for "global regular expression print," processes text line by line and prints any lines which match a specified pattern



```
• grep --version OR grep --help = Check version or help
```

- grep keyword file = Search for a keyword from a file
- grep -c keyword file = Search for a keyword and count
- grep -i KEYword file = Search for a keyword ignore case-sensitive
- grep -n keyword file = Display the matched lines and their line numbers
- grep -v keyword file = Display everything but keyword
- grep keyword file | awk \{print \$1}' = Search for a keyword and then only give the 1st field
- 1s -1 | grep Desktop = Search for a keyword and then only give the 1<sup>st</sup> field
- egrep -i "keyword|keyword2" file = Search for 2 keywords.

#### sort/uniq - Text Processors Commands

- What are sort and uniq commands?
  - Sort command sorts in alphabetical order
  - Uniq command filters out the repeated or duplicate lines
- sort --version OR sort --help
- sort file
- sort -r file
- sort -k2 file
- uniq file
- sort file | uniq
- sort file | uniq -c
- sort file | uniq -d

- = Check version or help
- = Sorts file in alphabetical order
- = Sort in reverse alphabetical order
- = Sort by field number
- = Removes duplicates
- = Always sort first before using uniq their line numbers
- = Sort first then uniq and list count
- = Only show repeated lines.



#### wc - Text Processors Commands

- What is wc command?
  - The command reads either standard input or a list of files and generates: newline count, word count, and byte count



- wc --version OR wc --help
- wc file
- wc -l file
- wc -w file
- wc -b file
- wc DIRECTORY
- ls -1 | wc -1
- grep keyword | wc -1

- = Check version or help
- = Check file line count, word count and byte count
- = Get the number of lines in a file
- = Get the number of words in a file
- = Get the number of bytes in a file
- = NOT allowed
- = Number of files
- = Number of keyword lines.

# Compare Files

```
•diff (Line by line)
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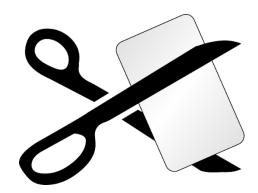
• cmp (Byte by byte)

# Compress and un-Compress Files

- tar
- gzip
- •gzip -d OR gunzip

# **Truncate File Size (truncate)**

 The Linux truncate command is often used to shrink or extend the size of a file to the specified size



- Command
  - truncate -s 10 filename

#### **COMBINING AND SPLITTING FILES**

- Multiple files can be combined into one and
- One file can be split into multiple files
  - cat file1 file2 file3 > file4
  - split file4
  - e.g. split -1 300 file.txt childfile

Split file.txt into 300 lines per file and output to childfileaa, childfileab and childfileac

# Linux vs. Windows Commands

Command Description	Windows	Linux
Listing of a directory	dir	ls -1
Rename a file	ren	mv
Copy a file	copy	ср
Move file	move	mv
Clear screen	cls	clear
Delete file	del	rm
Compare contents of files	fc	diff
Search for a word/string in a file	find	grep
Display command help	command /?	man command
Displays your location in the file system	chdir	pwd
Displays the time	time	date