Introduction to Linux and Bash Scripting

Lab 1

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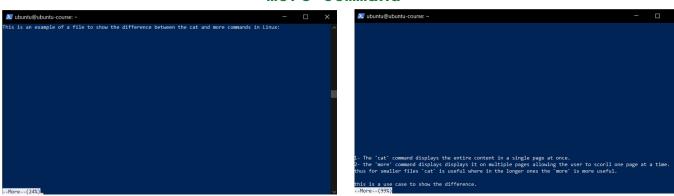
2. What is the difference between cat and more command?

cat: displays the contents of the file all on a single screen.

more: displays the contents of the file on scrolling screen one screen at a time.

Thus, for a large file more is useful and for smaller file cat is a good choice.

more command



cat command

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- The 'cat' command displays the entire content in a single page at once.

- the 'more' command displays displays it on multiple pages allowing the user to scorll one page at a time.

thus for smaller files `cat` is useful where in the longer ones the `more` is more useful.

this is a use case to show the difference.
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3. What is the difference between rm and rmdir using man?

rm: rm removes each specified file. By default, it does not remove directories.

rmdir: Remove the DIRECTORY(ies), if they are empty.

4. Create the following hierarchy under your home directory:

dir1

docs

a. Remove dir11 in one-step. What did you notice? And how did you overcome that?

I cannot remove the dir11 using rmdir because the directory is not empty, so I go with rm -rf to remove the directory.

b. Then remove dir12 using rmdir -p command. State what happened to the hierarchy (Note: you are in your home directory).

The whole directory is removed due to the behavior of the command, where the flag -p removes parent directories only if they become empty after deletion. Since we have already deleted dir11, dir12 is the only dir for the parent dir1, so it will also delete it, leaving us with no dir1 at all. So we can conclude that the rmdir -p remove multiple levels.

c. The output of the command pwd was /home/user. Write the absolute and relative path for the file mycv

/home/user/docs/mycv → difference on my machine due to different username (user → ubuntu)

Absolute: /home/user/docs/mycv

Relative: docs/mycv

5. Copy the /etc/passwd file to your home directory making its name is mypasswd

6. Rename this new file to be oldpasswd.

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    ■ ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~

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    s ls

    docs lab1 oldpasswd

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- 7. You are in /usr/bin, list four ways to go to your home directory.
 - cd
 - cd ~
 - cd /home/ubuntu → absolute path

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≥ Select ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~

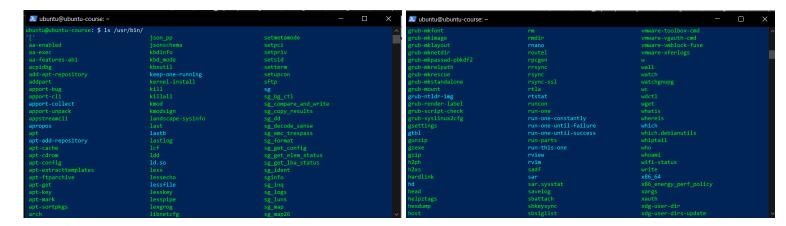
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: /usr/bin$ cd

ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~$ cd /usr/bin/
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: /usr/bin$ cd ~

ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~$ cd /usr/bin/
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: /usr/bin$ cd /home/ubuntu/
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~$ cd /usr/bin/
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~$ cd /usr/bin/
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: /usr/bin$ cd ../../home/ubuntu/
ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ~$
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8. List Linux commands in /usr/bin that start with letter w.

Using ls /usr/bin/ to list all the commands/files and then navigate to letter w because the files are displayed in alphabetical order.



9. Display the first 4 lines of /etc/passwd

10. Display the last 7 lines of /etc/passwd

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ubuntu@ubuntu-course: ↑ tail -n 7 /etc/passwd
tcpdump:x:105:107::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
tss:x:106:108:TPM software stack,,,:/var/lib/tpm:/bin/false
landscape:x:107:109::/var/lib/landscape:/usr/sbin/nologin
fwupd-refresh:x:989:989:Firmware update daemon:/var/lib/fwupd:/usr/sbin/nologin
ubuntu:x:1008:1000:ubuntu:/home/ubuntu:/bin/bash
sshd:x:109:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
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11. Display the man page of the passwd file.



