Linux Commands

ls

ls with no option list files and directories in bare format where we won't be able to view details like file types, size, modified date and time, permission and links etc.

1)	To list Hidden Files	ls -a
2)	List files and directories in long format (more detailed list)	ls -l
3)	List Files with Human Readable Format with option -lh	ls -lh
4)	List files and directories in reverse order	ls -lr
5)	List files and directories in reverser last modified order (recent will come at the end)	ls -lrt

cat

cat (short for "concatenate") allows us to create single or multiple files, view contain of file, concatenate files and redirect output in terminal or files.

1) Display Contents of File	Cat <file_name></file_name>
2) View Contents of Multiple Files in terminal	Cat <file1> <file2> Or Cat <file1>; cat <file2></file2></file1></file2></file1>
3) Create a File with Cat Command	cat >file
4) Display Line Numbers for the content in File while printing	cat -n file

more to view a text file one page at a time, press spacebar to go to the next page more file.txt # show the document one page at a time

more -num filename # show the document one page at a time

show the document page few lines as specified (-num)

less is much the same as more command except:

- a) You can navigate the page up/down using the less command and not possible in more command.
- b) You can search a string in less command. (use /keyword to search)
- c) "more" was fairly limited, and additional development on "more" had stopped
- d) it uses same functions as vi editor

head

a) **head -n n file.txt** The head command, as the name implies, print the top N number of lines of the given input. By default, it prints the first 10 lines of the specified files.

head -n 5 file.txt (or) head -5 file.txt

Prints first 5 line of file.txt

b) **head -c num file.txt** Prints the first 'num' bytes from the file specified. Newline count as a single character, so if head prints out a newline, it will count it as a byte. **num** is mandatory to be specified in command otherwise displays an error.

head -c 6 file.txt

tail

a) **tail -n n file.txt** The tail command, as the name implies, print the last N number of lines of the given input. By default, it prints the first 10 lines of the specified files.

tail -n 5 file.txt (or) tail -5 file.txt

Prints last 5 line of file.txt

b) **tail -c num file.txt** Prints the last 'num' bytes from the file specified. Newline count as a single character, so if tail prints out a newline, it will count it as a byte. **num** is mandatory to be specified in command otherwise displays an error.

tail -c 6 file.txt

cd

Use the "cd" command to go to a directory/change the current directory. For example, if you are in the home folder, and you want to go to the downloads folder, then you can type in "cd downloads".

mkdir

Use the mkdir command when you need to create a folder or a directory.

mkdir /home/sample

rmdir

rmdir is use to delete empty directory, to remove non-empty directory use rm

rm

Use the **rm** command to delete files and directories. But rm cannot simply delete a directory. Use "**rm** -**r**" to delete a directory. In this case, it deletes both the folder and the files in it.

rm file_name rm -r directory

touch

The touch command is used to create a file. It can be anything, from an empty txt file to an empty zip file.

touch filename.txt

To create randomly 1 to 100 files

touch filename{1..100}.txt

pwd

Command to know present working directory. When you first open the terminal, you are in the home directory of your user. To know which directory you are in, you can use the "**pwd**" command. It gives us the full path, which means the path that starts from the root.

mv

mv command to move files through the command line. We can also use the mv command to rename a file.

mv old_filename new_filename

move all files from source to destination mv /source_path/*.* /destination_path/

locate

The locate command is used to locate a file in a Linux system, just like the search command in Windows. This command is useful when you don't know where a file is saved or the actual name of the file. Using the -i argument with the command helps to ignore the case

locate file_name

cp command used to copy files from source location to destination. It takes two arguments: The first is the location of the file to be copied, the second is where to copy.

cp /source_path/filename /destination_path/

sed

SED command in UNIX is stands for stream editor and it can perform lot's of function on file like, searching, find and replace, insertion or deletion. Though most common use of SED command in UNIX is for substitution or for find and replace. By using SED you can edit files even without opening it, which is much quicker way to find and replace something in file, than first opening that file in VI Editor and then changing it.

Using below file for example:

cat > file.txt

unix is great os. unix is opensource. unix is free os.

learn operating system.

unix linux which one you choose.

unix is easy to learn.unix is a multiuser os.Learn unix .unix is a powerful.

1) Replacing or substituting string

sed 's/unix/linux/' file.txt

by default, Replace/substitute only the first occurance of string (unix -> linux) in each line

output:

linux is great os. unix is opensource. unix is free os.

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2) Replacing the nth occurrence of a pattern in a line

sed 's/unix/linux/2' file.txt

Use the /1, /2 etc flags to replace the first, second occurrence of a pattern in a line. Replace/substitute only the second occurance of string (unix -> linux) in each line

output:

unix is great os. linux is opensource. unix is free os.

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3) Replacing all the occurrence of the pattern in a line sed 's/unix/linux/g' file.txt

The substitute flag /g (global replacement) specifies the sed command to replace all the occurrences of the string in the line.

you may want to consider using gi instead of g in order to ignore character case:

sed 's/unix/linux/gi' file.txt

output:

linux is great os. linux is opensource. linux is free os.

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4) Replacing from nth occurrence to all occurrences in a line

sed 's/unix/linux/3g' file.txt

The above sed command replaces the third, fourth, fifth... "unix" word with "linux" word in a line. (from 3rd occurance to all till end of line)

output:

unix is great os. unix is opensource. linux is free os.

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5) Replacing string on a specific line number

sed '3 s/unix/linux/' file.txt

restricting the sed command to replace the string on a specific line number (3th line)

output:

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6) Duplicating the replaced line with /p flag

sed 's/unix/linux/p' file.txt

The /p print flag prints the replaced line twice on the terminal. If a line does not have the search pattern and is not replaced, then the /p prints that line only once.

output:

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linux is great os. unix is opensource. unix is free os.

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7) Printing only the replaced lines

sed -n 's/unix/linux/p' file.txt

Use the -n option along with the /p print flag to display only the replaced lines. Here the -n option suppresses the duplicate rows generated by the /p flag and prints the replaced lines only one time.

output:

linux is great os. unix is opensource. unix is free os.

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8) Write a sed command to print the lines that do not contain the word "run"? sed -n '/run/!p' file.txt

9) Replacing string on a range of lines

sed '1,3 s/unix/linux/' file.txt

Here the sed command replaces the lines with range from 1 to 3.

Output:

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sed '2,\$ s/unix/linux/' file.txt

Here \$ indicates the last line in the file. So the sed command replaces the text from second line to last line in the file.

Output:

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learn operating system.

linux linux which one you choose.

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10) Deleting lines from a particular file

• To Delete a particular line, say 5 in this example

sed '5d' file.txt

• To Delete a last line

sed '\$d' file.txt

• To Delete line from range x to y

sed '3,6d' file.txt

• To Delete from nth to last line

sed '12,\$d' file.txt

• To Delete pattern matching line

sed '/pattern/d' file.txt

11) Write A Command to Replace the Word "apple" With "(apple)" In A File? sed s/apple/(&)/ < file.txt

- 12) Write A Command to Switch the Two Consecutive Words "apple" And "mango" In A File? sed 's/(apple) (mango)/2 1/' < file.txt
- 13) Write a command to replace the character '/' with ',' in a file?

sed 's///,/' < file.txt (or) sed 's//,|' < file.txt

find

find can be used to find files and directories and perform subsequent operations on them. It supports searching by file, folder, name, creation date, modification date, owner and permissions. By using the 'exec' other commands can be executed on files or folders found.

SYNTAX: find <location_to_find> [options]

- current directory
- .. One previous directory from current
 - 1) Search a file with specific name. find . -name file.txt
 - 2) search a files in multiple directories. find . /home /user -name file.txt
 - 3) Search a file with specific name with ignore case find . -iname file.txt
 - 4) Search only files containing name find . -type f -iname file.txt
 - 5) Search only directories containing name find . -type d -iname file.txt
 - 6) Search for empty files and directories. find.-empty
 - 7) Search for file with entered permissions (655). Find . -perm 655
 - 8) Search text within multiple files. find ./ -type f -name "*.txt" -exec grep 'search_string' {} \;
 - 9) find files by last modification time

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find . -mtime days
find . -mtime 1  # 24 hours
find . -mtime -7  # modified less than 7 days (7 days to till)
find . -mtime 7  # modified before 7 days (all files modified before 7 days )
find . -mtime +50 -mtime -100  # Last 50-100 Days Modified Files
find . -mtime -7 -type f  # just files last 7 days
find . -mtime -7 -type d  # just dirs. Last 7days\
```

10) Find Last 50 Days Accessed Files find.-atime 50

- 11) Find Changed Files in Last 1 Hour find / -mmin -60
- 12) Find Accessed Files in Last 1 Hour find / -amin -60
- find and copy
 find . -type f -name "*.mp3" -exec cp {} /tmp/MusicFiles \;
 # cp *.mp3 files to /tmp/MusicFiles
- 14) Find Files Without 655 Permissions find . -type f ! -perm 655 (or) find . -type f -not -perm 655
- 15) Find Single File Based on User find . -user root -name file.txt
- 16) Find all Files Based on Group find . -group developer
- 17) Find Files by memory

Find 50MB Files find / -size 50M

Find Size between 50MB – 100MB find / -size +50M -size -100M

Find and Delete 100MB Files find / -size +100M -exec rm -rf {} \;

CUT

The **cut** command in UNIX is a command for cutting out the sections column with using delimiter from each line of files and writing the result to standard output.

cut -d "delimiter" -f (field number) file.txt

a) To cut the data with " " (space) as delimiter and print first column data

cut -d " " -f 1 state.txt

b) To cut the data with " " (space) as delimiter and print first to fourth column data

cut -d " " -f 1-4 state.txt

awk

The **awk** command in UNIX is a command for cutting out the sections column with using field separator from each line of files and writing the result to standard output.

WHAT ARE THE OPERATIONS OF AWK?

- a) Scans a file line by line
- b) Splits each input line into fields
- c) Compares input line/fields to pattern
- d) Performs actions on matched lines

Useful For:

- a) Transform data files
- b) Produce formatted reports

Programming Constructs:

- a) Format output lines
- b) Arithmetic and string operations
- c) Conditionals and loops

Consider the following text file as the input file for all cases below.

\$cat > employee.txt

ajay manager account 45000 sunil clerk account 25000 varun manager sales 50000 amit manager account 47000 1) Default behavior of Awk: By default Awk prints every line of data from the space separated field of file.

awk '{print \$1}' employee.txt

(or)

awk -f " " '{print \$1}' employee.txt

Output:

Ajay

Sunil

Varun

Amit

2) To print the last column of a file using NF – Number of Fields/Columns

awk -F ' ' '{print \$NF}' employee.txt

Output:

45000

25000

50000

47000

3) Print the lines which matches with the given pattern

Output:

ajay manager account 45000 varun manager sales 50000 amit manager account 47000

- **NR** NR command keeps a current count of the number of input records. Remember that records are usually lines. Awk command performs the pattern/action statements once for each record in a file.
- **NF** NF command keeps a count of the number of fields within the current input record.
- FS FS command contains the field separator character which is used to divide fields on the input line. The default is "white space", meaning space and tab characters. FS can be reassigned to another character (typically in BEGIN) to change the field separator.
- RS RS command stores the current record separator character. Since, by default, an input line is the input record, the default record separator character is a newline.
- **OFS** OFS command stores the output field separator, which separates the fields when Awk prints them. The default is a blank space. Whenever print has several parameters separated with commas, it will print the value of OFS in between each parameter.

- ORS command stores the output record separator, which separates the output lines when Awk prints them. The default is a newline character. print automatically outputs the contents of ORS at the end of whatever it is given to print.
 - 4) Another use of NR built-in variables (Display Line From 3 to 6)

Output:

2 sunil clerk account 25000 3 varun manager sales 50000

5) To find the length of the longest line present in the file:

6) To count the lines in a file using awk

7) Printing lines with more than 10 characters:

8) To find/check for any string in any column:

9) To print any non empty line if present

date

date command is used to display the system date and time. date command is also used to set date and time of the system. By default the date command displays the date in the time zone on which unix/linux operating system is configured. You must be the super-user (root) to change the date and time.

date

Output:

Tue Oct 10 22:55:01 PDT 2017

1) Using -date option for displaying past dates:

	COMMAND	OUTPUT
a) Date and time of 2 years ago.	datedate="2 year ago"	Sat Oct 10 23:42:15 PDT 2015
b) Date and time of 5 seconds ago.	datedate="5 sec ago"	Tue Oct 10 23:45:02 PDT 2017
c) Date and time of previous day.	datedate="yesterday"	Mon Oct 9 23:48:00 PDT 2017
d) Date and time of 2 months ago.	datedate="2 month ago"	Thu Aug 10 23:54:51 PDT 2017
e) Date and time of 10 days ago.	datedate="10 day ago"	Sat Sep 30 23:56:55 PDT 2017

2) Using -date option for displaying future date:

		COMMAND	OUTPUT
a)	Date and time of upcoming particular week day.	datedate="next tue"	Tue Oct 17 00:00:00 PDT 2017
b)	Date and time after two days.	datedate="2 day"	Fri Oct 13 00:05:52 PDT 2017
c)	Date and time of next day.	datedate="tomorrow"	Thu Oct 12 00:08:47 PDT 2017
d)	Date and time after 1 year on the current day.	datedate="1 year"	Thu Oct 11 00:11:38 PDT 2018

3) -s or -set Option: To set the system date and time -s or -set option is used.

date --set="date to be set"

date --set="Tue Nov 13 15:23:34 PDT 2018"

date

Output:

Tue Nov 13 15:23:34 PDT 2018

4) List of Format specifiers used with date command:

%D	Display date as mm/dd/yy.
%d	Display the day of the month (01 to 31).
%a	Displays the abbreviated name for weekdays (Sun to Sat).
%A	Displays full weekdays (Sunday to Saturday).
%h	Displays abbreviated month name (Jan to Dec).
%b	Displays abbreviated month name (Jan to Dec).
%B	Displays full month name(January to December).
%m	Displays the month of year (01 to 12).
%y	Displays last two digits of the year (00 to 99).
%Y	Display four-digit year.
%T	Display the time in 24 hour format as HH:MM:SS.
%Н	Display the hour.
%M	Display the minute.
%S	Display the seconds.
%D	Display date as mm/dd/yy.
%d	Display the day of the month (01 to 31).

COMMAND OUTPUT date "+%D" 10/11/17

date "+%D"	10/11/17
date "+%D %T"	10/11/17 16:13:27
date "+%Y-%m-%d"	2017-10-11
date "+%Y/%m/%d"	2017/10/11
date "+%A %B %d %T %y"	Thursday October 07:54:29 17

Crontab

The crontab is a list of commands that you want to run on a regular schedule, and also the name of the command used to manage that list. Crontab stands for "cron table," because it uses the job scheduler cron to execute tasks; cron itself is named after "chronos," the Greek word for time.cron is the system process which will automatically perform tasks for you according to a set schedule. The schedule is called the crontab, which is also the name of the program used to edit that schedule.

Linux Crontab Format: * * * * * command to execute MIN HOUR DOM MON DOW CMD

FIELD	DESCRIPTION	ALLOWED VALUE
MIN	Minute field	0 to 59
HOUR	Hour field	0 to 23
DOM	Day of Month	1-31
MON	Month field	1-12
DOW	Day Of Week	0-6
CMD	Command	Any command to be executed.

To view the Crontab entries: **crontab -l** To edit Crontab Entries: **crontab -e**

To edit crontab entries of other Linux users: crontab -u username -e

1) To schedule a job for every minute using Cron

* * * * * command/script

2) How to Execute a Linux Cron Jobs Every Second Using Crontab.

You cannot schedule an every-second cronjob. Because in cron the minimum unit you can specify is minute. In a typical scenario, there is no reason for most of us to run any job every second in the system.

3) To schedule a background Cron job for every 10 minutes.

*/10 * * * * /home/maverick/check-disk-space

4) Schedule a Job for More Than One Instance (e.g. Twice a Day)

executes the specified script at 11:00 and 16:00 on every day 00 11,16 * * * /home/ramesh/bin/incremental-backup

5) Schedule a Job for Specific Range of Time (e.g. Only on Weekdays)

This example checks the status of the database everyday (including weekends) during the working hours 9 a.m - 6 p.m

00 09-18 * * * /home/ramesh/bin/check-db-status

6) Cron job to run on the last day of the month

 $55\ 23\ 28-31**[["$(date -- date = tomorrow + \%d)" == "01"]] && myscript.sh 0 23 28-31**[$(date -d +1 day + \%d) -eq 1] && myscript.sh$

7) Cron special keywords and its meaning

Keyword	Equivalent
@yearly	0011*
@daily	00***
@hourly	0 * * * *
@reboot	Run at startup.

a) To schedule a job for first minute of every year using @yearly

@yearly /home/maverick/bin/annual-maintenance

b) To schedule a Cron job beginning of every month using @monthly

@monthly /home/maverick/bin/tape-backup

c) To schedule a background job every day using @daily

@daily /home/maverick/bin/cleanup-logs "day started"

d) To execute a linux command after every reboot using @reboot

@reboot CMD

Network Commands

The ssh command provides a secure encrypted connection between two hosts over an insecure network. This connection can also be used for terminal access, file transfers, and for tunneling other applications.

1) Normal ssh command

ssh username@hostname

username – username of the other server that we are connection **hostname** – ip-address / the domain name to the server which we want to connect

Note: after running the above command new to enter the password through console and you get successfully logged-in to another server.

2) To make password less connection use ssh-keygen

Ssh-keygen is a tool for creating new authentication key pairs for SSH. Such key pairs are used for automating logins, single sign-on, and for authenticating hosts.

Let server1 - 192.168.0.1 and server2 - 192.168.0.2

STEP 1: Create Authentication SSH-Keygen Keys on 192.168.0.1

ssh-keygen -t rsa

It will ask for inputs like pass phrase at that time just press enter

STEP 2: Create .ssh Directory on – 192.168.0.2

Do normal ssh to server 2 and create .ssh directory

(or)

Create .ssh directory directly using ssh command from server1

ssh server1@192.168.0.1 mkdir -p .ssh

STEP 3: Upload Generated Public in server1 to server2 – from 192.168.0.1 to 192.168.0.2 cat .ssh/key.pub | ssh user@192.168.0.2'cat >> ~/.ssh/authorized_keys'

STEP 4: Set Permissions of authorized keys on server1 and server2

ssh user@192.168.0.2 "chmod 700 .ssh; chmod 640 .ssh/authorized keys"

STEP 5: Login from 192.168.0.1 to 192.168.0.2 Server without Password

ssh username@192.168.0.2

ping Ping a remote host by sending packets. Used to check whether the remote server is up and running.

ping hastname ping IP_addres

Memory & Process related Commands

free

Free command used to check the used and available space of physical memory and swap memory (ram memory) in KB. The free command displays:

- Total amount of free and used physical memory
- Total amount of swap memory in the system
- Buffers and caches used by the kernel

free

	total	used	free	shared	buffers	cached
Mem:	1021628	912548	109080	0	120368	655548
-/+ buff	ers/cache:	136632	884996			
Swap:	4194296	0 4194	1296			

To see the size of the memory in (MB) Megabytes use option as -m.

free-m

	total	used	free	shared	buffers	cached
Mem:	997	891	106	0	117	640
-/+ buffers/cache:		133	864			
Swap:	4095	0	4095			

top

The top command also gives you a real-time update on how much of your swap space is being used.

One of the things top is very good for is discovering Process ID (PID) numbers of services that might have gotten out of hand. With those PIDs, you can then set about to troubleshoot (or kill) the offending tasks.

vmstat

Another very handy tool to have at your disposal is vmstat. This particular command is a one-trick pony that reports virtual memory statistics. The vmstat command will report stats on: Processes, Memory, Paging, Block IO, Traps, Disks and CPU

/proc/meminfo

The next way to check memory usage is to read the /proc/meminfo file. Know that the /proc file system does not contain real files. They are rather virtual files that contain dynamic information about the kernel and the system.

du

"du" (Disk Usage) is a standard Unix/Linux command, used to check the information of disk usage of files and directories on a machine.

a) Using "-h" option with "du" command provides results in "Human Readable Format". Means you can see sizes in Bytes, Kilobytes, Megabytes, Gigabytes etc.

du -h

b) The "-c" flag provides a grand total usage disk space at the last line.

df

A quick way to get a summary of the available and used disk space on your Linux system is to type in the df command in a terminal window. The command df stands for "disk filesystem". With the -h option (df -h) it shows the disk space in "human readable" form, which in this case means, it gives you the units along with the numbers.

The output of the df command is a table with four columns. The first column contains the file system path, which can be a reference to a hard disk or another storage device, or a file system connected to the network. The second column shows the capacity of that file system. The third column shows the available space, and the last column shows the path on which that file system is mounted. The mount point is the place in the directory tree where you can find and access that file system.

df -h #Print memory details in human readable format df - -total -h #prints total memory of system at the end

ps

ps command is used to display information about the processes that are running in the system.

ps -ef # To view current running processes.

ps -efH # To view current running processes in a tree structure. H option stands for process hierarchy.

kill

Use kill command to terminate a process. First get the process id using ps -ef command, then use kill -9 to kill the running Linux process as shown below. You can also use killall, pkill, xkill to terminate a unix process.

Before kill first get the pid (process id to kill)

ps -ef | grep process_name OUTPUT:

user 7243 7222 9 22:43 pts/2 00:00:00 process

To kill the above process

kill -9 7243

mount

To mount a file system, you should first create a directory and mount it as shown below.

```
# mkdir /uo1
# mount /dev/sdb1 /uo1
```

bg

bg sends the specified jobs to the background. A background job is executed simultaneously with fish, and does not have access to the keyboard. If no job is specified, the last job to be used is put in the background. The PID of the desired process is usually found by using process expansion.

To put the job with job/process/group id o in the background.

bg %o

To run a command / script in background put & at the end ./script.sh & sleep 10 &

To list all jobs **jobs**

chmod

chmod is used to change the permissions of files or directories.

	User	Group	Other	Chmods:		
Read	4	4	4	777	=	rwxrwxrwx
Write	2	2	2	755	=	rwxr-xr-x
Execute	1	1	1	644	=	rw-rr
	U	G	0	700	=	rwx
	X	X	X	750	=	rwxr-x

1. Deny execute permission to everyone.

2. Allow read permission to everyone.

3. Make a file readable and writable by the group and others.

4. Make a shell script executable by the user/owner.

5. Allow everyone to read, write, and execute the file and turn on the set group-ID.

6. Recursively (-R) Change the permissions of the directory myfiles, and all folders and files it contains, to mode 755: User can read, write, and execute; group members and other users can read and execute, but cannot write.

7. Set the permission of file.txt to "read and write by everyone."

chmod a-x file.txt

chmod a+r file.txt

chmod go+rw file.txt

cinilou go+i w ine.txi

chmod u+x file.sh

chmod =rwx,g+s file.sh

chmod -R 755 folder

chmod 666 file.txt

Chown

chown command is used to change the owner and group of a file or directory.

1) To change owner to oracle and group to dba on a file. i.e Change both owner and group at the same time.

chown oracle:dba dbora.sh

2) Use -R to change the ownership recursively.

chown -R oracle:dba /home/oracle

adduser / useradd

To add/create a new user, all you've to follow the command 'useradd' or 'adduser' with 'username'. The 'username' is a user login name, that is used by user to login into the system.

Only one user can be added and that username must be unique (different from other username already exists on the system).

For example, to add a new user called 'newuser', use the following command. Passwd

useradd newuser

1) Create a User with Different Home Directory

By default 'useradd' command creates a user's home directory under /home directory with username. Thus, for example, we've seen above the default home directory for the user 'newuser' is '/home/ newuser'.

However, this action can be changed by using '-d' option along with the location of new home directory (i.e. /data/projects). For example, the following command will create a user 'username' with a home directory '/data/projects'.

useradd -d /data/projects username

2) Add a User to Multiple Groups useradd -G admins, webadmin, developers username

passwd

1) change your password from command line using passwd. This will prompt for the old password followed by the new password.

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2) Super user can use passwd command to reset others password. This will not prompt for current password of the user.

passwd USERNAME

3) Remove password for a specific user. Root user can disable password for a specific user. Once the password is disabled, the user can login without entering the password.

passwd -d USERNAME

INFO COMMANDS

uname command displays important information about the system such as — Kernel name,

Host name, Kernel release number, Processor type, etc.,

whereis When you want to find out where a specific Unix command exists (for example, where does

ls command exists?), you can execute the following command.

whatis Whatis command displays a single line description about a command.

who who command is used to find out the following information:

1. Time of last system boot

2. Current run level of the system

3. List of logged in users and more.

a) To display all details of current logged in user:
b) To display current run level of the system:
who -a
who -r

c) To show time of the system when it booted last time: who -b -H

d) To show list of users logged in to system: who -u

whoami To display system's username

w To display list of users and their activities