



Introduction to Linux

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Introduction to UNIX

- UNIX is not an open source project
- UNIX requires specialized hardware resources, hence cannot be installed on every machine
- UNIX is mainly used in server systems and main frames
- In 1983, **Richard Stallman** started the GNU project to create free UNIX like operating system

Major releases of Operating Systems

- **Linus Benedict Torvalds** developed Linux in the year 1991 when he was an undergraduate student
- Considering the versions of Ubuntu there are around 52 major releases which includes the latest version 17.04
- Windows 1.01 - First major version, released on Nov 20, 1985
- After the first release, there are 25 more major releases for windows, which includes windows 10 also

Why Linux ?

- Open source Multi-user Operating System
 - User can add new features, implement new ideas. This way Linux gives more flexibility to the users
- Can revive older computers - can be fitted from low end to high end systems
- Supports all major programming languages like C, C++, Python, Java, Perl etc
 - No need to worry about setting environment paths

Why Linux ?

- Variety of distributions
- Best customer support from Linux forums(askubuntu.com)
 - We will be assisted with in minutes after posting a query in these forums.
- No need to reboot frequently
 - No need to reboot after installation, remove, update and upgrade of any application.
- Security
 - Every user is assigned with minimum level of privileges over files of other users.
- Pre-installed with drivers



Operating Systems overview

Operating System is a collection of programs which is used to:

- Manage the hardware resources
 - For example, allocation and deallocation of memory
- Schedule the processes which are in memory
- Synchronization of processes
 - Synchronization between the processes is required for consistency of the data.
- File system Manipulation
 - Create file/directory
 - Read/Write/Execute a file
 - Manage file permissions

and many more

Levels of Abstraction in Linux

User Processes	GUI, Shell
Kernel	System Calls, Memory Management, Process Management, Device Drivers
Hardware	Processor, Memory, Disk

Process Management

- Process Management describes about start, pause, resume and termination of processes
- Process management also includes scheduling of processes
- Some of the standard scheduling strategies are:
 - FCFS
 - SJF
 - SRT
 - Round Robin
 - Static Priority Based Scheduling
 - Dynamic Priority Based Scheduling

Memory Management

- **Responsibilities:**

- Keeps track of which part of memory is being used by whom
 - Deciding which processes memory need to be moved in and out of memory
 - Deciding how much amount of memory needs to be allocated to a particular process
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- Each user process will have its own section of memory
 - One process may not have the access to private memory of another process

Device Drivers

- A device is typically accessed in kernel mode i.e., they should run on CPU without any preemption
- Device drivers perform the following operations:
 - Accepts requests from device independent software
 - Interact with the device for I/O and perform required error handling
 - Making sure that execution completed successfully

System Calls

- System calls perform specific tasks which user process cannot do alone
- For example, opening a file, reading a file, writing to a file etc
- How a process start:
 - `fork()` - Creates a new process
 - `exec()` - Starts the process

Flavours of Linux

Below is the list of Linux flavours most people use:



Ubuntu



Mint

eYantra

List of Basic Commands

- **who**
Displays who is logged on
- **ls -la**
List the files in the directory with permissions as well as author name
- **mkdir**
Create directory
- **cd directory_name**
cd stands for Change Directory. This will make the user to switch the directory

List of Basic Commands

- **pwd**
Returns the full path of the current directory
- **touch** < *file_name* >
Creates an empty file with the mentioned file name
- **rm -r** < *directory_name* >
Removes the entire directory
- **echo** < *some_text* > » **welcome.txt**
 - Creates a new file welcome if it does not exist
 - Appends the text to the text file welcome.txt

List of Basic Commands

- **cat -n** < *file_name* >

Dumps the file content on to the terminal with line numbers at left margin

- **wc** < *file_name* >

This command will count the number of lines, number of words and number of characters in the text file

- **less**

This command dumps the text content of the file onto the screen. The main use of this is to scroll the content.

List of Basic Commands

- **apt-get**

This command is used along with one of the options install, remove, upgrade, update, autoremove, clean

- **ifconfig**

- Stands for Interface Configuration
- This command will show the ip address(Ethernet, WLAN) as well as the physical(MAC) address of the system
- Used to view the network configuration of the system

- **man** < *command* >

Opens the manual page of the command.

Copy and Move

- **cp** *< source_file_path > < dest_path >*
Copies file from source and paste into the destination
- **cp -r** *< source_dir_path > < dest_path >*
Copies directory from source and paste into the destination
- **mv** *< source_file_path > < dest_path >*
mv command just works like cut and paste. For moving directory use -r option.

Processes

- **top**

This command lists the processes which are consuming relatively more resources with their names, IDs and % of memory occupied.

- **ps -A**

This command lists all the processes.

- **killall** *< process_name >*

This command kills all the threads of the process with the mentioned name

Grep and Pipe

- **grep -i linux linux_tutorial.txt**

This command will find all the lines which contain the linux in the linux_tutorial.txt

- **grep -A 2 -i linux linux_tutorial.txt**

This command will find all the lines which contain the linux in the linux_tutorial.txt along with two lines after it.

- **cat demo.txt | grep important**

This will print all the lines which contain the word important in the text file demo.txt

Grep and Pipe

- **ps -A | grep chrome**

This will show all the running threads which contain the word chrome along with the thread IDs.

- We can search for all the patterns on the content which is dumped on to the terminal after running a command can be easily located using pipe symbol along with grep.

Search in a Directory

- **find** *< path >* *-name < file_name >*

This command returns all the directory paths in which the file exists

- **find** *< path >* **-name *.jpg**

This returns all the jpg files in the directory mentioned in the path

- **grep -r abstract ***

This command will search for the word abstract recursively in all the files in the directory.

Users and Groups on Linux

- Users
 - Root user or Super user
 - Other users
- Each user will have user ID as well as group ID to which he belongs to
- Set of users can form a group
- Root user can set privileges to individual user separately or user can set privileges to a group of users using group name and group ID



Create and Delete Users, Groups

- **sudo useradd** < *user_name* >
Creates user
- **sudo userdel** < *user_name* >
Deletes user
- **sudo groupadd** < *group_name* >
Creates group
- **sudo groupdel** < *group_name* >
Deletes group

Create Group and Add Users to Group

- **sudo adduser** < *user_name* > < *group_name* >
Adds user with the specified name to the group with the specified name.
- Before deleting a group, delete all the users of the group without which it is not possible to delete a group.
- Adding, Deleting of users and groups must be done as a root user.

File Permissions

- **chmod 754** < *file_name* >

4 - Read

2 - Write

1 - Execute

0 - No permission

Each digit is a combination of these numbers. For example 7 is a combination of 4+2+1, 5 is a combination of 4+0+1 and 4 is a combination of 4+0+0.

- **chmod a+wx** < *file_name* >

Add write and execute permissions to all the users for the file

File Permissions

- **chmod -R 754** < *file_name* >

Here from the above command sets permission as:

RWX - For User

RX - For a users of the group

R - For other users

SSH and SCP

- **ssh username@ip_address**

Used to remote login to a system. After running this command enter the password of the remote system.

- **scp -r < local_directory_path > < dest_user_name > @ < dest_ipaddress > : < dest_path >**

This command is used to securely copy the local directory into remote location with the specified user name and ip address

Archive

- **tar -cvf example.tar example**

This creates the tar file for the directory example and stores it in the current working directory.

- **tar -xvf example.tar**

This will untar the file example.tar and stores it in the current working directory

Archive

- **tar -cvzf images.zip images**

This will zip the images directory and saves in format images.zip for the directory images

- **tar -xvf images.zip**

This command will unzip and creates the directory images.

-c : creates an archive

-v : verbose

-f : Allows us to specify file name of the archive

-x extract files from archive

Vim Introduction

- Vim is an open source command line editor
- User may not always have access to GUI editors
- For low end flavours of Linux, we don't have access to GUI
- Vim has the powerful features for text navigation
- Vim comes along with tutorial. Just run the command **vimtutor** on your terminal which will show all the commands along with their description
- According to a survey conducted by stackoverflow, 30%(of 55,000 approx) of software employees still use Vim as their primary editor

Modes

- **Insert Mode**

- To insert the text

- **Normal Mode**

- To easily navigate between the text

- In Insert Mode, press Esc to switch to Normal mode

- In Normal Mode, press i to switch to Insert Mode

Navigate Between the Text

- Keys **h**, **j**, **k**, **l** to move the cursor left, down, up and right respectively.
- Key **w**
 - Moves the cursor to start of next word
- Key **b**
 - Moves the cursor to beginning of the previous word
- Key **e**
 - Moves the cursor to end of the next word
- Key **3w**
 - Moves the cursor to start of 3rd word from current cursor position. Similarly for keys 3b, and 3e also

Insert Text Multiple Times

- **10i- + Esc**
 - 10 hiphens with just one command
- **10i% + Esc**
 - 10% symbols with just one command
- This way Vim saves lot of time as compared to other text editors

N_{th} Occurrence of a Character

- **fa**
 - First occurrence of the character from the current cursor position
- **5fa**
 - Fifth occurrence of the character from the current cursor position
- **Shift + %**
 - Jumps to matching parenthesis
- **0**
 - Jumps to beginning of the current line
- **\$**
 - Jumps to end of the current line

N_{th} Occurrence of a Word

- *
- First occurrence of the word from the current cursor position
- 5*
- Fifth occurrence of the word from the current cursor position
- #
- Immediate previous occurrence of the word from the current cursor position
- 5#
- 5th previous occurrence of the word from the current cursor position

Navigate to a Specific Line

- **gg**
 - Move the cursor to beginning of the file
- **G**
 - Move to cursor to end of the file
- **2G**
 - Moves the cursor to the 2nd line of the file

Search for a Word

- **/between**
 - Search for the word between from the current cursor position
- For further continuation of search for the same word use the key n
- For searching the same word in other direction use the key N

Insert a New Line

- **O**
 - Inserts new line above the current line
- **O**
 - Inserts new line below the current line
- After entering the above key, mode immediately shifts to insert mode

Delete Characters, Words and Lines

- **x**
 - Deletes the character under the cursor
- **X**
 - Deletes the immediate previous character
- **r**
 - Replace a character under the cursor
- **dw**
 - Deletes the word under the cursor from the current cursor position(may not be complete word)
- **dd**
 - Deletes the current line
- **(.)**
 - command is used to execute the previously executed command

Copy and Paste

- **yy**
 - Copies the current line
- **5yy**
 - Copies 5 lines from the current cursor position
- **p**
 - Paste below the current line
- **P**
 - Paste above the current line

Visual Mode

- **v**
 - Switch to visual mode
 - This mode enables user to perform operations on the selected text
- **ved**
 - Selects the text upto the end of the word and deletes the text
- **v\$d**
 - Selects the text upto the end of the current line and deletes it
- **v0d**
 - Selects the text from the start of the current line to the current cursor position and deletes it

Save and Quit

- The `:w` command is used to save the file
- `:q` is used to quit from Vim
- `:q!` is used to quit without saving
- `u` is used to undo and `Ctrl+R` is used to redo