

Unix Commands :

① ls -l -- long listing

ls → list of files & dir from current working dir
file type permissions, no. of hardlinks, owner, group owner,
size in bytes, last modifⁿ time, Name of files & directories

* -a → all files including . and ..

- regular file
d directory file
l socket file
b block special file
c character special file
l symbolic link
p pipe

* -r sort in reverse alphabetically

* -1 list names one per line

* -u (with lt) sort by access time

* -t sort by modifⁿ time

* ul } sheet
* ult }

* ls c* - list all files/dir starting with letter c

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* ls [a-d]* list all files/dir starting with

* To know the location of an executable program i.e. command use type command

\$ type ls

② who : who is online

- displays all users who are currently logged in to the system

- It returns user's name (ID), terminal and time at which he/she was logged in

* \$ who

* \$ who -u

- to know since ~~what~~ how long there was no activity (idle)

eg. ~~off~~ * \$ who -uh

- displays header for each column above

* \$ who am i

③ pwd - print working directory -

- It prints absolute path name of our working directory

\$ pwd

/home/chirag

It means that we are in home dir of user ID chirag.

④ `date` displays system date and time

`$date d`

- displays current date & time

`$date +/m d`

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- prints only month (1-12)

`$date +/b d`

- prints month name

`$date +/Y d`

- prints year

`$date +/d d` - prints day (01-31)

`$date +/T t.p` - prints hour with am/pm

⑤ `cal` → display calendar

`$cal d` → display current month calendar

`$cal 3 2017 d` → display calendar of month March 2017

`$cal 2017 d` → calendar of whole year 2017

`$cal -j 2018` → displays calendar of 2018 in julian form

`$cal -h` → turns off highlighting today

`$cal -3` → displays prev, current & next month.

⑥ `clear` - clear the terminal screen

⑦ `echo` - displays msg & result of computation on screen.

by default interpretation of backslash, escape is disabled.

```
$ echo "Hello \n World" &  
displays  
Hello \n World
```

- To enable interpretation of \ type

```
$ echo "Hello -e "Hello \n World" &  
or  
Hello  
World
```

```
$ echo -e "Hello \t World" &
```

```
$ echo -e "Hello \ World" &
```

```
or  
Hello \ World
```

```
$ echo -e "Hello \v World" &
```

(vertical tab)

```
$ echo -e "Hello \b World" &
```

⑧ `bc` - activates basic calculator

```
$ bc & It goes in interactive mode and  
waits for input
```

```
type 7+6 as 110 & press enter
```

```
or # 13
```


type 'quit' to quit calculator

\$ bc -l \$

- initializes scale to 20 instead of default zero.

\$ bc 5/3 \$

o/p 1.66666666666666666666

type scale=2 \$

5/3 \$

o/p 1.66

Functions available with bc command.

sqrt() → calculates square root

s() → calculates sine value. argument should be in radians

c() → cosine value

⑨ login :- begin session on lhc

In root type login

give userid and password

\$ login -f → to skip authentication.

User is preauthenticated

⑩ To logout : logout

nd ⑪ cd - change directory

cd - → go to prev directory

cd ~ → navigate to home directory

cd .. → navigate one level up in directory

cd / → go to root directory. 5/14

'>' or redirection operator
used to send the output of a command to a file.

(12) cat -> showing creating and concatenating files

\$ cat > file1 &
This is my first file &
I have created it &
^d &

} creates
file named
file1

\$ cat file1 & will show the
contents of file file1.

\$ cat -n file1 & will display contents
with line numbering

1. This is my first file
2. I have written it.

\$ cat file1 file2 & will display
contents of file1 followed by
contents of file2.

\$ cat file1 file2 > file3 &
concatenates contents of file1 &
file2 in file3.

\$ cat -ve file1 & - will show hidden
characters in
the file
This is my first file. \$
I have written it. \$
newline characters are shown by \$.

1 Pipe operator

used to send o/p of command to another command.

use `>>` to append to the file

```
$ cat >> file1 &
```

This (tab) third (tab) line (tab) in (tab) file &

```
$ cat -vt file1 & (displays tab as ^I)
```

o/p This is my first file -
I have written it.

This ^I third ^I line ^I in ^I file.

(13) `cp` → to copy contents of one file to another
(source) (dst)

```
$ cp file1 file2 & will copy contents of file 1 to file 2
```

```
$ cat file2 & to view contents of file
```

```
$ cat -i file2 & file4 & will ask before overwriting file (interactive copying)
```

```
$ mkdir mydir1 &
```

```
$ mv file1 mydir1 &
```

```
$ mkdir mydir2 &
```

```
$ mv file2 mydir2 &
```

```
$ cp -r mydir1 mydir2 &
```

will copy the directory mydir1 along with its files to mydir2.

(14) mv - removes the file from current one location and copies to another.

\$ mv oldname newname

(15) ~~mkdir~~ rm - remove file

\$ rm -i file3 &

will ask ~~what~~ whether to remove file before removing.

\$ rm -i file4 file5 &

will remove file4 and file5.

\$ rm -r mydir2 &

will recursively remove ~~mydir2~~ files & directory & all from mydir2 and finally the directory mydir2.

(16) ~~rm -d~~ rmdir - will remove the directory only if it is empty.

\$ rmdir mydir1 &

will give following error if mydir1 not empty

rmdir: failed to remove 'mydir1': directory not empty

\$ rmdir dir1 dir2 & (multiple directory names)
will remove dir1 and dir2.

\$ rmdir -p dir1/dir3 &
will first remove dir3 then dir1.

(17) mkdir - make directory.

\$ mkdir dir1 dir2 &
will create dir1 and dir2
in current working directory.

\$ mkdir -p dir1/dir2 & will create
parent directory dir1 first and then dir2 in it.

(18) history → will give us history of
all commands executed in the session.

\$ history &

\$ history & 50 & will display 50th
line in history of commands.

time, more, ps, chown, ~~ch~~ finger, shutdown,
login, logout, last, kill, chmod.

dir1

etc

* more than one command can be combined
in one line by giving semicolon.

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- (19) more - there is a filter for paging through text one screenful at a time.
Do following to understand more

create a file 'file1' and write some lines of text into it

```
$ cat > file1
```

This is my first file

file is created in lab06

to explore the use of more command
if required we will add more data to it

123

234

345

456

567

^d

Now give the command as follows

```
$ more -3 file1
```

This will display 3 lines of file1 on screen with three lines at a time on screen. press enter to see next lines

Then `$ more -number file name`
displays 'number' lines on screen at a time

\$ more -p file1.d

→ Don't scroll, instead clear the whole screen and then display text.

Now append ~~few~~⁴ blank lines in file1 as:

\$ cat >> file1.d

d

d

d

d

i have inserted 4 blank lines d

^d

Display file 1 :

\$ cat file1.d

Now give command

~~\$ more~~^{more} -s file1.d

This will merge 4 blank lines to 1 and show the output.

~~\$ more~~^{more} +3 file1.d

will display file1 from starting from line 4 3.

\$ ls -l d displays list of files one per line

\$ ls | more d will display it one page & then more file will be displayed when u press enter.

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(20) time → displays the time required to execute the command.

e.g. `$ time sort File1.d`

or `== } sorted contents of file1`

real 0m 0.002s

user 0m 0.000s

sys 0m 0.000s

real time shows the clock elapsed time from invocation of command to till termination.

user time shows time spent by program in executing itself (i.e. in user mode)

sys indicates time used by kernel in doing work on behalf of user process (in kernel mode)

Sum of user time + systime actually represents CPU time.

e.g. `$ time ls -l d`

`$ time ls -l > list.d`

(21) wc - prints no. of lines, words & characters in a file

	\$wc file1	\$wc < file1
	2 15 92	2 15 92
O/P	2 15 92 file1	
	↓ ↓ ↓	
	no. of words characters	
	line	

\$wc -l file1 & (Only no. of lines)
O/P 2 file1

\$wc -w file1 & (Only no. of words)
O/P 15 file1

\$wc -c file1 & (Only no. of characters)
O/P 92 file1
\$wc &
enter text here & ^d & } Instead of file name directly text is i/p.

(22) login - begin session on the system.

You have to a root user to begin a new session

login &
login: lab1006 & (asks for username)
password: & (asks for password)
(If login successful, new session begins and # changes to \$)

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(23) `logout` - ends the session

(24) `finger` - displays information of users who are logged in

Note: in nonroot user mode, `finger` command may not work.

• switch to root user by

`# su`

`# apt-get install finger`

`# finger`

It displays:

loginname, name, terminal name, idle time, login time, etc.

`# finger tablo6` (use name)

```

OP { login: tablo6      Name: MUM089
    Directory: /home/tablo6  Shell: /bin/bash
    On since sat Jan 20 9:56 on :1 from :1 (messy #)
    On since sat Jan 20 10:03 on pk/36 5 seconds idle
    (messy #)
    No mail.
    No plan.
    
```