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Common Linux Commands

This document provides the definition, usage, and examples of several commonly used Linux commands.

ECHO

Definition: Displays a line of text **Usage**: echo + option + string **Examples**:

• Displays a message with backslash escapes:

```
echo -e "\nHello...\tWorld!"
```

• Suppress the trailing newline:

```
echo -n "Hello, World!"
```

DATE

Definition: Displays or sets the system date and time. **Usage**: date + option **Examples**:

• Displays the current date and time:

```
date
```

• Displays the date in a custom superior format:

```
date +"%d-%m-%Y %H:%M:%S"
```

FREE

Definition: Displays the amount of free and used memory in the system. **Usage**: free + option **Examples**:

• Displays memory usage in a human-readable format:

```
free -h
```

• Displays memory usage in gigabytes:

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```
free -h --giga
```

UNAME

Definition: Prints system information such as the operating system name, version, and other details. **Usage**: uname + option **Examples**:

• Displays all system information:

```
uname -a
```

• Displays kernel-name, kernel-release, hw-platform & OS:

```
uname -srio
```

HISTORY

Definition: Shows a list of previously executed commands. **Usage**: history + option **Examples**:

• Displays command history:

```
history
```

• Clears command history:

```
history -c
```

MAN

Definition: Displays the manual of a given command, showing detailed documentation. **Usage**: man + command **Examples**:

• Displays the manual for the 1s command:

```
man ls
```

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APT

Definition: A package management tool used to install, update, and remove software packages on Debian-based systems. **Usage**: apt + option + command **Examples**:

• Update the package list:

```
sudo apt update
```

• Install a package:

```
sudo apt install <package-name>
```

SNAP

Definition: Used to install and manage snap packages, which are self-contained software packages that work on various Linux distributions. **Usage**: snap + command **Examples**:

• Install a snap package:

```
sudo snap install <package-name>
```

FLATPAK

Definition: Used to manage Flatpak packages, which are similar to snap packages and provide cross-distribution software deployment. **Usage**: flatpak + command **Examples**:

• Install a Flatpak package:

```
flatpak install <package-name>
```