Topic Name:

The main aim of this lab session is to provide hands-on experience on

- Explore file structure
- File management commands
- Absolute path and Relative path
- Globbing
- Scripting

File Structure

1. Under the root directory there are many files like /bin , /boot , /dev , /etc ,

Find out the importance of those files

Example: /etc is for user account details

| S.No | Directory | Usage | |
|------|-----------|--|--|
| 1 | / | Root directory | |
| 2 | /bin | Binary files | |
| 3 | /boot | is a critical part of the system, as it contains the files needed to boot the operating system. | |
| 4 | /dev | directory in Linux is a special and essential directory that contains device files. | |
| 5 | /etc | directory in Linux is a crucial directory that contains system-wide configuration files and shell scripts used to manage the system. | |
| 6 | /home | directory in Linux is where the personal directories of all user accounts are stored. | |
| 7 | /lib | directory in Linux is a critical system directory that contains essential shared libraries and kernel modules required by the system and applications. | |

| 8 | /proc | directory in Linux is a special and dynamic virtual filesystem that provides a mechanism for the kernel to communicate with user space. |
|----|-------|--|
| 9 | /sbin | directory is integral to system administration and maintenance, providing the tools necessary for managing and repairing the system, particularly during boot and recovery operations. |
| 10 | /tmp | directory in Linux is a temporary storage space where programs and users can store transient files that are needed only temporarily. |
| 11 | /var | directory in Linux is a key directory that holds variable data—data that is expected to change frequently during the system's operation. |

2. In Linux, there are three different files

Regular file

Directory

Special file

Block file

Character file

Socket file

Pipe file

Fill the below table:

| File Type | Represented | Role | How to | Location | Screen |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------|--------|
| | by (Hint ls) | | create | | shot |
| Regular file | - | Stores data such as | touch t1 | | |
| | | text images | | | |
| - Text file | - | Contains plain text | toucht1.txt | | |
| - Compressed | - | Stores data in a | gzip | | |
| file | | compressed format | filename | | |
| - Image | - | Stores image data | NA | | |
| Directory | d | Contains files and | mkdir | | |
| | | other directories | filename | | |
| Block file | b | Represents a block | NA | | |
| | | device | | | |
| Character file | С | Represents a | NA | | |
| | | character device | | | |
| Socket file | s | Provides | NA | | |
| | | interprocess | | | |
| | | communication(IPC) | | | |
| pipe file | р | Used for IPC (inter – | NA | | |
| | | process | | | |
| | | communication) | | | |

- 3. Globbing
- a. Go back to CYS
- b. Create multiple subdirectories using single command

LS
Unit1
command
glob
Unit2
command
grep
Unit3
Constructs

c. Navigate to unit1/glob

```
—(<mark>kali⊛kali</mark>)-[~/Shreyasb]
—$ cd Unit1/glob
```

d. Create the following files:

Commands.txt

Commands1.txt

Commands2.txt

page1.html

page2.html

page3.html

file1

file10

file11

file2

File2

File3

file33

fileAB filea

fileA

fileAAA

file(

file 2

i. List all files starting with file

```
—(kali@ kali)-[-/Shreyasb]
—$ touch Commands.txt Commands2.txt page1.html page2.html page3.html file1 file10 file11 file2 File2 File3 file33 fileAB fileA fileAAA file\( file\2
```

ii. List all files starting with File

```
(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls File*
File2 File3
```

iii. List all files starting with file and ending in a number.

```
(kali⊕ kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls file*[0-9]
file1 file10 file11 file2 file33
```

iv. List all files starting with file and ending with a letter

```
__(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls file*[a-zA-Z]
filea fileA fileAAA fileAB
```

v. <u>List all files starting with File and having a digit as fifth character.</u>

```
(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls File*[0-9]
File2 File3
```

vi. List all files starting with File and having a digit as fifth character and nothing else.

```
___(kali⊛ kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls File*[0-9]
File2 File3
```

vii. List (with ls) all files starting with a letter and ending in a number.

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$\frac{1}{2} \text{ls [a-zA-Z]*[0-9]}
file1 file10 file11 file2 File2 File3 file33
```

viii. List (with ls) all files that have exactly five characters.

```
---(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
--$ ls ?????
'file(' file1 file2 File2 File3 filea fileA
```

ix. List (with ls) all files that start with f or F and end with 3 or A.

```
<mark>__(kali⊕kali</mark>)-[~/Shreyasb]
_$ ls [fF]*[3A]
File3 file33 fileA fileAAA
```

x. List (with ls) all files that start with f have i or R as second character and end in a number.

```
(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls f[iR]*[0-9]
file1 file10 file11 file2 file33
```

xi. List all files that do not start with the letter F.

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ ls | grep -v '^F'
Commands1.txt
Commands2.txt
Commands.txt
CYS
file(
file1
file1
file2
file33
filea
fileA
fileAAA
fileAB
page1.html
page2.html
page3.html
```

xii. Remove all the *.html

```
___(kali⊛ kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
_$ rm *.html
```

xiii. Rename *.txt to *.json

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb]
$ for file in *.txt; do mv "$file" "${file%.txt}.json"; done
```

4. Absolute path and relative path

Use rm, mv, cp, ls with absolute path and relative path as per your choice.

- Absolute **Path:** Specifies the location of a file or directory from the root directory. It is a complete path.
- Relative **Path:** Specifies the location of a file or directory relative to the current working directory.
 - 5. Wildcards

| Notation | Use | Example | Screenshot |
|----------|---|------------------|--|
| * | One or | ls * | (kali@kali)-[~/Shreyasb] \$ 15 * Commands1.json Commands.json file1 file11 File2 file33 fileA fileAB |
| | many | | Commands2.json 'file(' file10 file2 File3 filea fileAAA |
| ? | Match only one | ls file? | ——(kali⊕ kali)-[~/Shreyasb] — \$ ls file? |
| | character | | 'file(' _{me} file1 file2 filea fileA |
| [] | Used to match single character from a set | ls file[1- 3] | <pre>(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb] \$ ls file[1-3] file1 file2</pre> |
| | of specified characters | | |

| [!] | Matches any character that is not a member of the set characters | ls file[!1] | (kali⊕ kali)-[~/Shreyasb] _\$ ls file[!1] 'file(' file2 filea fileA |
|-----|--|-----------------|---|
| {} | Used to generate multiple arguments by separating the values with commas | ls file{1,2} | <pre>(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb] \$ ls file{1,2} file1 file2</pre> |

More on Character class

| Notation | Use | Example | Screenshot |
|---------------|--|------------------------|--|
| [:alnum:] | Matches any alphanumeri c character | ls *[[:alnum:]] | |
| [:alpha:] | Matches any alphabetic character | ls *[[:alpha:]] | —(kali@kali)-[~/Shreyasb] -\$ ls *[[:alpha:]] Commands1.json Commands2.json Commands.json filea fileA fileAAA fileAB |
| [:digit:] | Matches any numeric digit (0-9). | ls *[[:digit:]] | —(kali⊕ kali)-[~/Shreyasb] —\$ ls *[[:digit:]] File1 file10 file11 file2 File2 File3 file33 |
| [:lower:] | Matches any lowercase alphabetic character | ls *[[:lower:]] | —(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb] \$\\$ \times [:lower:]] Commands1.json Commands2.json Commands.json filea |
| [:upper:] | Matches any uppercase alphabetic character (A-Z) | ls *[[:upper:]] | <pre>(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb] \$ ls *[[:upper:]] fileA fileAAA fileAB</pre> |

4. change permission

a) Change the permission set of /work/readme.txt so that only the user (owner) can read,write, and execute it. Use absolute mode.

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 700 readme.txt

(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ ls -l
total 4
-rwx—— 1 kali kali 4 Aug 15 10:26 readme.txt
```

b) Change the permission set of /work/readme.txt so that any user can read it, the group can read/write to it and the user (owner) can read/write/execute it. Use absolute mode.

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 764 readme.txt

(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ ls -l
total 4
-rwxrw-r-- 1 kali kali 4 Aug 15 10:26 readme.txt
```

c) Change the permission set of /bin/bash so that only the user (owner) can read/write/ execute, group, and any user can execute it. However, whenever anyone executes it, it should run with the privileges of the owner user. Use absolute mode.

```
(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 4751 /bin/bash
chmod: changing permissions of '/bin/bash': Operation not permitted
```

d) Change the permission set of /work/readme.txt so that only the user (owner) can read, write, and execute it. Use relative mode.

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod u=rwx,go= readme.txt

(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ ls -l
total 4
-rwx——— 1 kali kali 4 Aug 15 10:26 readme.txt
```

e) Change the permission set of /work/readme.txt so that any user can read it, the group can read/write to it and the user (owner) can read/write/execute it. Use relative mode.

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$\frac{1}{2} \text{ls -l}
total 4
-rwxrw-r-- 1 kali kali 4 Aug 15 10:26 readme.txt
```

f) Change the permission set of /work/readme.txt so that only the user (owner) can read/write/ execute, group, and any user can execute it. However, whenever anyone executes it, it should run with the privileges of the group. Use absolute mode.

g) Change the permission set of /work/readme.txt so that only the owner can rename or delete this file while maintaining the existing permissions. Use absolute mode.

h) What are the default permissions for the new file?

```
(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ touch newfile.txt

(kali@ kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ ls -l newfile.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 0 Aug 15 10:39 newfile.txt
```

i) What was the command to view the file permissions?

```
(kali⊕ kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$\frac{1}{2}$ ls -l newfile.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 0 Aug 15 10:39 newfile.txt
```

j) Change chmod.exercises permissions to -r--r--r-

k) Change the file permissions to Read only for the owner, group and all other users.

l) What was the command for changing the file permissions to -r--r--?

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 444 chmod.exercises
```

m) Change chmod.exercises permissions to -rw-r-----

- n) Change the file permissions to match the following:
 - a. owner: Read and Write
 - b. group: Read
 - c. other: no permissions (None)

o) What was the command for changing the file permissions to -rw-r----?

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 640 chmod.exercises

(kali@kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ ls -l chmod.exercises
-rw-r 1 kali kali 0 Aug 15 10:43 chmod.exercises
```

p) Change chmod.exercises permissions to -rwxr-x-x

```
—(kali⊗ kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
—$ chmod 755 chmod.exercises

—(kali⊗ kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
—$ ls -l chmod.exercises
-rwxr-xr-x 1 kali kali 0 Aug 15 10:43 chmod.exercises
```

- q) Change the file permissions to match the following:
 - a. owner: Read, Write and Execute
 - b. group: Read and Execute
 - c. other: Execute

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 751 chmod.exercises

(kali@kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ ls -l chmod.exercises
-rwxr-x-x 1 kali kali 0 Aug 15 10:43 chmod.exercises
```

r) What was the command for changing the file permissions to -rwxr-x--x?

```
(kali® kali)-[~/Shreyasb/work]
$ chmod 751 chmod.exercises
```

Evaluation:

Marks: 10 (Deadline: 4 – Originality: 3 – Completeness: 3)

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