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# 1 small tips

## 1.1 default directory

the directory of xdg-default were writen in <code>/.config/usr-dirs.dirs</code>. For example, if you want to set the default directory gnome search for wallpaper, you can change the value of "XDG\_PICTURE\_DIR" in that file to the directory path you want to.

### 1.2 number list

to put a list of continuous of number in vim, use :put =  $\operatorname{range}(n,m)$ , and will generated a list from n to m in document. if want random list, should use shell command :r! echo  $RANDOM^1$ , and m is the limit of random.

to generate a continuous number list by shell, use seq \$BEGIN \$END, so for loop can use: for i in  $\{\text{SEGIN }\text{END}\}$ ; do ... or for i in  $\{\text{SEGIN }\text{END}\}$ ; do ...

### 1.3 calculate

to calculate the sum of the first line in file, use:

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{:r!}$ echo((RANDOM%m)) seems can not be used in vim

if the data is not in the first line, change \$1.

and some times awk will get into bug if the sum exceeding  $2^{31}$ , so use printf is a good choice: change the 'print s' to 'printf "%.0f", s'.

#### 1.4 lambda function

python lambda function example: test = lambda x, n: [x[i:i+n]] for i in range(0, len(x), n)] this can apart the string every n chars  $^2$ , and lambda function usually used for the functions needed in a short time, it can also use with filter() or map() function, the syntax of lambda function: "lambda arguments: expression"

### 1.5 hex conversion

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awk '{print "ibase=10;obase=2;" $1 }' $file |bc |xargs printf "%08d\n"
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this can convert every line in \$file from decimal to binary of 8 bits. "xxd -p" can print only the value, no line number and characters. python convert hex to bin:  $bin(int^3(str, 16))[2:]$ 

### 1.6 mail in command line

config before use "mail" command to send e-mail: edit config file<sup>4</sup>, add these lines:

set from="your\_email\_address" smtp="smtp\_address\_of\_your\_mail\_server" set smtp-auth-user="your\_email\_address" smtp-auth-password="your\_password" set smtp-auth=login set smtp-use-starttls(this enable SSL)

#### 1.7 cron table

set cron work:

use crontab -e, and add work in the file, the format is:  $min\ hour\ day\ month$   $year\ work.$ 

### 1.8 merge output

if you want to use the output of multi command as input by pipe, then you need to parenthesis these two commands, such as:

(echo "test" ; cat hello.txt) |mail -s "test" username@mailaddress

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>this can use re.findall('..?',str) to replace

 $<sup>^3</sup>$ int() function have two arguments, the first is string of number, and the last is the base of this number, for example, int('AB9', 16) can get  $2745((2745)_{10} = (AB9)_{16})$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>archlinux use /etc/mail.rc, ubuntu use /etc/s-nail.rc

#### 1.9 distro check

if you want to check your distro without screen fetch or neofetch installed, you can use: "cat /etc/\*-release", then it will output the distro information of your distro.

## 1.10 different authority for different user

if you want to make different users have different authority to a certain file, you can use setfacl: for example, if you want to set all authority to file file with group group, you can use:

setfacl -m g:
$$group$$
: $rwx$  -R<sup>5</sup> $file$ 

and then use: "set facl -m g:  $^6{\rm test:r}$  -R file" to set only read authority to group test.

#### 1.11 use footnote in table or other environments

use \footnotemark in the position you need to note, and then use \footnotetext{ $your\_footnote$ } out the environment.

## 1.12 list directory by size

du -sh -B
$$BLOCKSIZE */$$
 |sort -nr

This command will list your subdirectory in currect directory by size and from big to small, BLOCKSIZE such as M, it will output the size by certain format, \*/ is path, you can also use another path replace it, but you should add "/\*" in the tail.

### 1.13 get some informations in sqlite

#### 1.13.1 get column names from certain table

if you are in sqlite command, you can execute '.schema *table\_name*' to get it; or if you are in python or you just want to use sql command to get it, you can try:

SELECT sql FROM sqlite\_master WHERE tbl\_name = 'table\_name' AND type = 'table'

 $<sup>^5\</sup>text{-R}$  is to use recursive

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>for user, use u:

### 1.13.2 get tables names from current dbfile

if you are in sqlite command, you can execute '.tables' to get it; or if you are in python or you just want to use sql command to get it, you can try:

SELECT name FROM sqlite\_master WHERE type = 'table'

# 1.14 batch rename file with sequential numbers

Firstly, set a variable:

a=1

and then execute the while loop (or for loop):

ls \*.jpg | while read line;do mv \$line ` printf "%03d.jpg" "\$a" ` ;let a=a+1;done

## 1.15 some tips of regular expression

To change a certain line a a certain text block, you can use:

sed -i "/pattern1/,/pattern2/s/origin\_pattern/dest\_pattern/g" filename