20 Basic Linux Commands

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Assignment I

Commands

- 1. To find out the present working directory: pwd
- 2. To list out the directories and files in present directory: ls
- 3. To change directory to specified path: cd
- 4. To make a directory: mkdir
- 5. To create a file: touch
- 6. To edit file: gedit filename / vim filename /nano filename

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(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-$ pwd
/home/divyansh
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-$ ls
anaconda3 Documents Music Public snap ws2
assignment3 Downloads Pictures README.md Templates
Desktop Dropbox prac_rosext rosclass Videos
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-$ cd Desktop
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-/Desktop$ mkdir Folder
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-/Desktop$ cd Folder
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-/Desktop/Folder$ touch filename.txt
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-/Desktop/Folder$ vim filename.txt
```

- 7. To change the modifications of a file: chmod +
- 8. To read or concatenate a file: cat
- 9. To clear the screen: clear

```
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ chmod +x filename.txt
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ ls
filename.txt
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ cat filename.txt
My first file
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ clear
```

- 10. To delete a file: rm
- 11. To delete a directory: rmdir
- 12. To see free RAM: free -h
- 13. To find out the date and time: date
- 14. To display calendar: cal
- 15. To find file via names: find -name 'prefix*'

(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop\$ find -name 'DSA*'
/DSA ndf

```
base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ rm filename.txt
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ ls
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Folder$ cd ...
base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop$ rmdir Folder
base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop$ free -h
                                              free
                                                          shared
                                                                   buff/cache
                7.6Gi
                                                                         2.0Gi
Mem:
                                                                                        4.1Gi
                2.0Gi
                                             2.0Gi
Swap:
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop$ date
Thursday 15 July 2021 03:29:27 PM IST (base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop$ cal
     July 2021
Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa
1 2 3
4 5 6 7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15 16 17
18 19 20 21 22 23 24
25 26 27 28 29 30 31
```

A lot of commands have further specifications like:

16. To list all the hidden files and dir within present directory: Is -a

```
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:-$ ls
. Downloads
                                                                         Templates .thunderbird
                 .dropbox-dist
                                         prac rosext
assignment3
                                         .profile
                                                                         .vim_mru files
.astropy
.bash_history
                                         .python history
                 gnupg
ignition
                                         README.md
bashrc
                 .ipynb_checkpoints
                 .ipython
conda
                 .jupyter
condarc
                                                                         .zshrc
Desktop
                                          .sudo_as_admin_successful
```

17. To get a detailed list of all the files: Is -al

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(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~$ ls total 276
  drwxr-xr-x 44 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 15 15:21 .
 drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Jul 1 15:15 ..
drwxrwxr-x 3 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 2 19:13 .anaconda
 drwxrwxr-x 26 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 2 19:12 anaconda3
drwxrwxr-x 5 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 13 17:00 assignment3
 drwxrwxr-x 5 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 13 17:00 assignme
drwxrwxr-x 4 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 5 17:19 .astropy
  -rw------ 1 divyansh divyansh 20178 Jul 15 15:22 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 divyansh divyansh 220 Jul 1 15:15 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 divyansh divyansh
 drwx----- 8 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 15 2021 .dropbox drwx----- 4 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 15 2021 Dropbox drwxrwxr-x 3 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 3 16:01 .dropbox-dist
 drwx----- 3 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 14 18:53 fltk
drwxr--r-- 6 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 14 19:07 .gazebo
drwxrwxr-x 7 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 13 19:26 .git
drwxr--r-- 2 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 13 19:26 .git
drwxr--r-- 2 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 14 18:52 .ignition
drwxrwxr-x 2 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 6 18:16 .ipynb che
                                                                                                                                                                          6 18:16 .ipynb_checkpoints
 drwxr-xr-x 5 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul
drwxrwxr-x 3 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul
drwx----- 3 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul
                                                                                                                                                                            6 18:47 .jupyter
1 21:00 .local
 drwx----
drwxrwxr-x
                                               5 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 1 15:30 .mozilla
2 divyansh divyansh 4096 Jul 12 17:27 .mume
                                                                                                                                                                         1 21:00 Music
                                                                                                                                   4096 Jul 14 21:54 Pictures
  drwxr-xr-x 2 divyansh divyansh
                                                                                                                                   4096 Jul 2 18:01 .pki
4096 Jul 13 18:47 prac rosext
  drwx----
                                                 3 divyansh divyansh
  drwxrwxr-x 6 divyansh divyansh
```

- 18. To directly goto the home diretory: cd / cd ~
- 19. To just go back one level in directory: cd ..
- 20. To auto complete some commands press tab or to list press double tab

```
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Jupyter Practice$ cd
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~$
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~$ cd Desktop/Jupyter\ Practice/
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop/Jupyter Practice$ cd ..
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop$ cd
.ipynb_checkpoints/ Jupyter Practice/
(base) divyansh@divyansh-HP:~/Desktop$ []
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