

# Web Hosting Using Linux

## Absolute and relative paths

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**Absolute** or **full** path points to the same location in a file system, regardless of the current [working directory](#).

**Relative** path starts from some given working directory, avoiding the need to provide the full absolute path.

## What is Http Daemon (HTTPD)

**HTTPD** is a software program that runs in the background of a Web server and waits for incoming server requests. The **daemon** answers the requests automatically and serves the hypertext and multimedia documents over the Internet using **HTTP**.

## Daemon

A daemon (pronounced DEE-muhn) is a program that runs continuously and exists for the purpose of handling periodic service requests that a computer system expects to receive. The daemon program forwards the requests to other programs (or processes) as appropriate. Each server of pages on the Web has an *HTTPD* or Hypertext Transfer Protocol daemon that continually waits for requests to come in from Web clients and their users.

## What is Apache?

Apache is an open-source and free web server software that [powers around 40% of websites](#) around the world. The official name is [Apache HTTP Server](#), and it's maintained and developed by the Apache Software Foundation.

## Systemctl :

**systemctl** is used to examine and control the state of “systemd” system and service manager.

**systemd** is system and service manager for Unix like operating systems(most of the distributions, not all). As the system boots up, the first process created, i.e. init process with PID = 1, is systemd system that initiates the userspace services.

**Syntax :**

**systemctl [OPTIONS...] COMMAND [NAME...]**

**systemctl status service\_name** : to check the status of service that it is running or not.

**systemctl start service\_name** : to start the services (not permanently)

**systemctl enable service\_name**: to enable the services permanently so that it will start automatically at booting time.

**systemctl stop service\_name**: to stop the services (not permanently)

**systemctl disable service\_name** : to stop/disable the services permanently.

**Location where we store our html pages?**

----> /var/www/html

**Step for hosting a website through Aws instance:**

- 1).Add a protocol to your instance
- 2). Installing the services (httpd)
- 3). Enabling/Start the services (httpd)
- 4).save html page at location /var/www/html
- 5).Now access your pages through a web browser.

Ex: IP\_address/your\_page.html (type this in your web browser)

Note: if you save your page by name index you can directly access it through ip address.