Lab 1

Linux Directory Structure, Linux Command Line, Bash and Hello World!

- Read about <u>Linux Directory Structure</u> and some <u>basic commands here</u>.
- Before the GUI and mouse were used commercially, the interaction with computers was command line. So make use of the mouse as least as possible.
- Perform all the instructions in today's lab through the terminal. ASK the TAs when you have doubt. Remember the quote by Mark Twain "He who asks is a fool for five minutes, but he who does not ask remains a fool forever."
- Computers have become smart and people have become lazy, so use the auto-completion(TAB) as frequently as possible.
- All the commands have a "manual" for the description of what they do, how should they be used. Refer to the 'man' command for the manual of any command.
- Forgot your command? Don't worry, do apropos.

1. Exploring

- 1.1. Download the sample folder from here.
- 1.2. Go to the downloaded folder(Lab1) without unzipping it.
- 1.3. Unzip it. (It is easy from GUI, try doing it from the terminal)
- 1.4. Go the unzipped folder(Lab1) now.
- 1.5. List all the files and folders here.

2. Creating

- 2.1. Create a folder named "lab1 solution" (without quotes with space).
- 2.2. Create an empty text file "lab1 solution.txt" in the folder (without quotes with space).
- 2.3. Go to the Lab1 folder and create three folder p/q/r, ie create p in Lab1, q in p and r in q. Can you do this with just one command?

3. Aliasing

- 3.1. The screen must be full of commands and their respective output. Clear the screen.
- 3.2. You would be using this command frequently. Can you make a shortcut for that?

4. Listing

4.1. List the contents of lorem_ipsum.txt in "original folder" as well as "duplicate folder" in the Lab1 folder.

- 4.2. List the count of words, characters and lines of both the lorem_ipsum.txt file.
- 4.3. Find and list the count of words, characters and lines of the "very large file.txt" file.
- 4.4. Print the first 10 lines, last 10 lines and middle 10 lines(of your choice) from the "very large file.txt"

5. Modifying

- 5.1. Open vim editor and change the file "letter.txt" in the Lab1 folder by writing your name in the last line. What's the problem?
- 5.2. Change the permission, granting write permission only to the user.
- 5.3. Perform 5.1 again now. Can you do it without opening the vim editor?

6. Moving

- 6.1. Move the "very large file.txt" from its original folder to the "duplicate folder".
- 6.2. There is folder "reated_for_deletion" in the Lab1 folder which was supposed to be named "created for deletion". Rename it.
- 7. Removing (NOTE: There is no concept of recycle bin in the terminal!)
 - 7.1. Remove the contents of the folder "created_for_deletion" and not the folder.
 - 7.2. Remove the empty folder "created for deletion" in the Lab1 folder.
 - 7.3. Remove the folders p, q and r created in 2.3 with just one command.
 - 7.4. Remove the "duplicate folder" in the Lab1 folder.

8. Copying

8.1. Copy the "original folder" in the Lab1 folder along with its contents into "duplicate folder"

9. Repeating

- 9.1. Print 1-20 in the terminal.
- 9.2. Print first 10 odd and even numbers and save them in files "odd.txt" and "even.txt" respectively.
- 9.3. Create a folder "repeat" and make 10 files, where the ith file is named file_i.txt, eg 5th file is file_5.txt.
- 9.4. Rename all the above created files from "file_i.txt" to "file i.txt" and put you name in that file.

10. Bash-scripting

10.1. Perform 9.3 and 9.4 using bash scripting

11. Seeking

11.1. There's a hidden file, seek it, change permissions and execute it.

12. Greeting

12.1. Write a C program that outputs "Hello World!"