Exploring of network commands

Ifconfig

Displays information about network interfaces, including IP addresses, MAC addresses, and network statistics. Note that if config is being deprecated in favor of ip commands.

Usage

ifconfig

Ip

A versatile tool for network configuration. ip addr show displays IP addresses and network interfaces, ip route show shows routing tables, and ip link show provides details about network interfaces.

Usage

ip addr show

ip route show

ip link show

Ping

Sends ICMP echo requests to a specified host and displays the responses. Useful for checking network connectivity and measuring round-trip time.

Usage

ping google.com

ping 192.168.1.1

Traceroute

Displays the path packets take from the local machine to a specified host, showing each hop along the way. Useful for diagnosing routing issues.

Usage

traceroute google.com

traceroute 192.168.1.1

netstat

Provides various network-related information. netstat -a shows all connections and listening ports, netstat -i displays network interface statistics, and netstat -tuln shows TCP and UDP ports in use.

Usage

netstat -a

netstat -i

netstat -tuln

SS

A modern alternative to netstat for displaying network socket information. ss -tuln shows listening sockets and their associated ports, while ss -s provides summary statistics.

Usage

ss -tuln

SS -S

route

Displays or modifies the IP routing table. route -n shows the routing table in numeric format. You can also use it to add or delete routes.

Usage

route -n

route add default gw 192.168.1.1

arp

Displays or manipulates the ARP (Address Resolution Protocol) cache. arp -a shows the ARP table, while arp -d can delete a specific ARP entry.

Usage

arp -a

arp -d 192.168.1.1

nslookup

Queries DNS servers to obtain domain name or IP address mapping. Useful for troubleshooting DNS issues.

Usage

nslookup google.com

nslookup 8.8.8.8

dig

Provides detailed DNS query results. dig can be used to query DNS servers directly and is useful for diagnosing DNS-related issues.

Usage

dig google.com

dig @8.8.8.8 google.com