

Basic Command of Linux

Command	Example	Description
date	More option are here for date and mkdir command utility)	This command show the current date and time
cat		Sends file contents to standard output. This is a way to list the contents of short files to the screen. It works well with piping.
mkdir	mkdir neha	Create directory
	cat .bashrc	Sends the contents of the ".bashrc" file to the screen.
cd	cd /home/neha	Change directory Change the current working directory to /home. The '/' indicates relative to root, and no matter what directory you are in when you execute this command, the directory will be changed to "/home/neha".
	cd httpd	Change the current working directory to httpd, relative to the current location which is "/home". The full path of the new working directory is "/home/neha/httpd".
	cd ..	Move to the parent directory of the current directory. This command will make the current working directory "/home/neha".
	cd ~	Move to the user's home directory which is "/home/username". The '~' indicates the users home directory.
cp	cp myfile neha1.txt	Copy files Copy the files "myfile" to the file "neha1.txt" in the current working directory. This command will create the file "neha1.txt" if it doesn't exist. It will normally overwrite it without warning if it exists.
	cp -i myfile neha1.txt	With the "-i" option, if the file "neha1.txt" exists, you will be prompted before it is overwritten.
	cp -i /data/neha.txt .	Copy the file "/data/myfile" to the current working directory and name it "myfile". Prompt before overwriting the file.
	cp -dpr srcdir destdir	Copy all files from the directory "srcdir" to the directory "destdir" preserving links (-p option), file attributes (-p option), and copy recursively (-r option). With these options, a directory and all it contents can be copied to another directory.
free		This comand will show the memory details od your system
df		Show the amount of disk space used on each mounted filesystem.
less	less textfile	Similar to the more command, but the user can page up and down through the file. The example displays the contents of textfile.
ln	ln -s test symlink	Creates a symbolic link to a file. Creates a symbolic link named symlink that points to the file test Typing "ls -i test symlink" will show the two files are different with

different inodes. Typing "ls -l test symlink" will show that symlink points to the file test.

locate A fast database driven file locator.

useradd useradd Neha
<user_name> This is for add the user

passwd passwd Neha
<user_name> This is used for set/change the password of the existing user in system/server

logout Logs the current user off the system.

ls List files

ls List files in the current working directory except those starting with . and only show the file name.

ls -al List all files in the current working directory in long listing format showing permissions, ownership, size, and time and date stamp

ll Long List files

mv Move or rename files

mv -i myfile neha1.txt Move the file from "myfile" to "neha1.txt". This effectively changes the name of "myfile" to "neha1.txt".

mv -i /data/neha.txt . Move the file from "neha.txt" from the directory "/data" to the current working directory.

pwd Show the name of the current working directory

more /etc/profile Lists the contents of the "/etc/profile" file to the screen one page at a time.

shutdown Shuts the system down.

init 0 Shuts the system down to halt immediately.

init 6 Shuts the system down immediately and the system reboots.

whereis Show where the binary, source and manual page files are for a command

whereis ls Locates binaries and manual pages for the ls command.

ps ps -aux Show the process of the system and their PID like services are in process or not (sleep or running)
ps -elf
ps

kill kill -9 <PID> for terminate the process -9 (accidently)used for immediatly kill the process and -15 (un-accedently) , these are the SIGTERM
kill -15 <PID>

pkill pkill -9
<process_name>