

COMP09024

Unix System Administration

Demo Assessment (20%)

Please prepare to demonstrate execution of the tasks described on the following page during a 10-minute timeslot allocated to you in Week 13. You may bring prepared notes to your demo, and may refer to them, but please note that this is a strictly timed assessment, and too much time spent referring to notes will eat into this. There are 20 marks available for this assessment, which is worth 20% of the marks for the module.

All tasks must be carried out on the "debian" VM in the lab in the time allocated. Exceptionally, for Task 6, you may, if you wish, prepare a separate file in advance with the shell commands required. Creation of the file itself, however (including shebang line and correct permissions) must be demonstrated in the lab.

Most of the knowledge required for the tasks is already covered in the module, but some of the tasks may require additional research. Each task mostly relates to a particular topic as covered in the slides/labs, and has two main parts, each worth 1 mark (half marks may be awarded). The assessor cannot offer help during the demo slot, and will not use your time to read out the questions. Therefore, if you choose to skip a question, please let the assessor know.

If your time runs out, your assessor will inform you of this, and you will receive all the marks accumulated to that point.

Demonstration slots will be available for booking from week 11. Adjustments will be made for any students who have been identified as having additional requirements - please highlight these if you are not sure if the lecturer is aware of them, but note that these should have been approved after an assessment by an appropriate member of staff.

Student:			
Task	Description	Max	Mark
1	Login to the first virtual terminal as the student user, and to the second as root, and then show who is logged in Use commands to show the hostname and the current version of Linux running	2	
2	As root, create a new directory /home/shared, and as student create a symbolic link to this from student's home directory Change the permissions on this /home/shared directory to allow its group owner to create files	2	
3	Create a new user demouser, and (separately) a new group demogroup Add both student and demouser to the demogroup group, and make demogroup the group owner of /home/shared	2	
4	List all the processes on the system and filter the output to not show any processes where the line ends with a] Create a cron job for the student user to write the system time and date to /home/student/time.txt at midday every day	2	
5	Filter a list of the previous login times for student to show only those which happened on the same day of the week as today Use filters to print a list of usernames (only) of all users who use bash as their shell	2	
6	Create a shell script called dirempty, which takes a filename as a parameter and returns an exit status of 0 if it is an empty directory, 1 if it is a non-empty directory, and 2 if it is not a directory.* Demonstrate that it works	2	
7	Use APT tools to ensure that your system's software is up to date Install the toilet package, and open the man page for the toilet command which is installed	2	
8	Show the default systemd target for your system, and print a list of "target" units Show the current overall kernel setting for "logging martians"	2	
9	Show the IPv4 and MAC addresses of your main Internet-facing Ethernet interface, and the currently used default route Send 5 ICMP echo requests to this address and check that you receive replies	2	
10	After deleting cached public keys, use ssh to connect to your machine, checking that the fingerprint is correct first Use the vi editor (not nano) to create file called demo.txt with the text "Demo Done"	2	
Total		20	