# **Documentation for Shell commands**

# **Internal commands:**

- 1. pwd
- 2. cd
- 3. echo

# 1. cd internal command

# **Usage:**

- ➤ cd
- o change to home directory
- > cd [DIRECTORY]
  - o change to DIRECTORY

# **Examples:**

vibhor shell 12> pwd

/home/vibhor/OS/shell

vibhor shell 13> cd ..

vibhor shell 14> pwd

/home/vibhor/OS

vibhor shell 19> cd shell

vibhor shell 20> pwd

/home/vibhor/OS/shell

vibhor shell 21> cd

vibhor shell 22> pwd

/home/vibhor

# **Error Handling:**

vibhor shell 24> cd ...

cd: too many arguments

vibhor shell 28> pwd

/home/vibhor/OS/shell

vibhor shell 29> cd cat.c

cd: cat.c: Not a directory

vibhor shell 31> cd dummy

cd: dummy: No such file or directory

# 2. pwd internal command

# **Usage:**

- > pwd
  - o prints current working directory
- pwd [-P|--physical]
  - o prints physical path after resolving symbolic links

# **Examples:**

vibhor shell 12> pwd

/home/vibhor/OS/shell

vibhor shell 2> pwd --help

Usage: pwd [-P|--physical|--help]

vibhor shell 3> pwd -P

/home/vibhor/OS/shell

#### **Error Handling:**

> Any argument specified with 'pwd' is ignored as with the Unix shell built-in command

vibhor shell 13> pwd abc # any other option is ignored

/home/vibhor/OS/shell

> Directory /home/vibhor/OS/shell/abc is removed while we are in that directory

vibhor shell 13> cd abc

vibhor shell 13> pwd

pwd: No such file or directory

# 3. echo internal command

#### <u>Usage:</u>

- echo <one or more string>
  - o dumps given strings after expanding environment variables
- echo -n <one or more string>
  - o dumps given strings after expanding environment variables without ending newline

# **Examples:**

```
vibhor shell 5> echo --help
Usage: echo [-n] [STRING]...
vibhor shell 6> echo "Hello Shell"
Hello Shell
vibhor shell 7> echo $PWD
/home/vibhor/OS/shell
vibhor shell 8> echo $HOME
/home/vibhor
vibhor shell 11> echo -n "*** No Newline ***"
*** No Newline ***vibhor shell 12>
vibhor shell 18> echo '$HOME'
SHOME
vibhor shell 19> echo "$HOME"
/home/vibhor
vibhor shell 20> echo $HOME
/home/vibhor
vibhor shell 20> echo
<only newline is printed>
```

# **Error Handling:**

```
vibhor shell 14> echo -x
echo: invalid option -- 'x'
Usage: echo [-n] [STRING]...
vibhor shell 17> echo $dummy
<nothing is printed for env. variable which is not set>
```

#### **External commands:**

- 1. cat
- 2. Is
- 3. mkdir
- 4. rm
- 5. date

All of these commands execute through fork()/execl() by default, and if the command is followed by &t, then thread version is invoked, for e.g., cat&t will invoke thread version of cat command

# 1. cat external command

### **Usage:**

- cat <one or more files>
  - displays contents of specified files
- cat [-n|--number] <one or more files>
  - o displays contents of specified files with each line being assigned a number
- cat [-E|--show-ends] <one or more files>
  - displays files contents with each line ending with \$
- cat&t version of all above commands are supported which invokes thread version

#### **Examples:**

vibhor shell 1> cat Hello Shell Hello Shell Hello World Hello World vibhor shell 3> cat -n Hello Shell 1 Hello Shell Hello World

2 Hello World

vibhor shell 4> cat abcd

\*\*\*\*Start

Hello Myshell

\*\*\*\*End

```
vibhor shell 5> cat --help
Usage: cat [-E|--show-ends] [-n|--number] [FILE]...
vibhor shell 6> cat -E abcd
****Start$
Hello Myshell$
****End$
vibhor shell 7> cat -n abcd
1 ****Start
2 Hello Myshell
3 ****End
vibhor shell 7> cat&t -n abcd
1 ****Start
2 Hello Myshell
3 ****End
vibhor shell 7> cat&t -n abcd
1 ****Start
2 Hello Myshell
3 ****End
```

```
vibhor shell 2> cat abc.c

cat: abc.c: No such file or directory

vibhor shell 3> cat a3

cat: 'a3': Is a directory

vibhor shell 8> cat -x

mycat: invalid option -- 'x'

Usage: cat [-E|--show-ends] [-n|--number] [FILE]...
```

# 2. <u>Is external command</u>

#### **Usage:**

- ➤ Is [FILE | DIRECTORY]...
  - o list given files and contents of given directories
- ➤ Is [-a|-all] [FILE|DIRECTORY]...
  - o same as above and hidden files starting with . are also listed

- ➤ Is [-A|-almost all] [FILE|DIRECTORY]...
  - o same as above except that . and .. directories are not listed
- > Is&t version of all above commands are supported which invokes thread version

# **Examples:**

# vibhor shell 1> Is

cd.c	cat.c	abcd	a3
ls.c	echo.c	Documentation.docx	date.c
mycd	mycat	mkdir.c	Makefile
mymkdir	myls	myecho	mydate
option.c	myshell	myrm	mypwd
rm.c	pwd.c	option.o	option.h
~WRL3069.tmp	~\$cumentation.docx	shell.o	shell.c

# vibhor shell 4> Is a3

a3:

a2

shell.c

# vibhor shell 5> ls -a

	••	a3	abcd
cat.c	cd.c	date.c	Documentation.docx
echo.c	ls.c	Makefile	mkdir.c
mycat	mycd	mydate	myecho
myls	mymkdir	mypwd	myrm
myshell	option.c	option.h	option.o
pwd.c	rm.c	shell.c	shell.o
~\$cumentation.docx	~WRL3069.tmp		
vibhor shell 6> ls -A			
a3	abcd	cat.c	cd.c
date.c	Documentation.docx	echo.c	ls.c
Makefile	mkdir.c	mycat	mycd
mydate	myecho	myls	mymkdir
mypwd	myrm	myshell	option.c
option.h	option.o	pwd.c	rm.c

shell.o ~\$cumentation.docx ~WRL3069.tmp

vibhor shell 7> Is abc

ls: cannot access 'abc': No such file or directory

vibhor shell 8> ls -xyz

myls: invalid option -- 'xyz'

Usage: Is [-a|--all] [-A|--almost-all] [FILE]...

# 3. mkdir external command

#### **Usage:**

- mkdir DIRECTORY...
  - o creates specified directories
- mkdir [-p|--parents] DIRECTORY...
  - o creates specified directories including any sub-directories if not already there
- mkdir [-v|--verbose] DIRECTORY...
  - o creates directories and also list which all directories are created
- mkdir&t version of all above commands are supported which invokes thread version

#### **Examples:**

vibhor shell 12> mkdir abc2 abc3

vibhor shell 13> ls

a3	abc2	abc3	abcd
cat.c	cd.c	date.c	Documentation.docx
echo.c	ls.c	Makefile	mkdir.c
mycat	mycd	mydate	myecho
myls	mymkdir	mypwd	myrm
myshell	option.c	option.h	option.o
pwd.c	rm.c	shell.c	shell.o
~\$cumentation.docx	~WRL3069.tmp		

vibhor shell 14> mkdir -v abc4

mkdir: created directory 'abc4'

vibhor shell 17> mkdir -p abc5/abc6 -v

mkdir: created directory 'abc5'

mkdir: created directory 'abc5/abc6'

```
vibhor shell 19> mkdir ls.c
```

mkdir: cannot create directory 'ls.c': File exists

Usage: mkdir [-p|--parents] [-v|--verbose] DIRECTORY...

vibhor shell 21> mkdir abc2

mkdir: cannot create directory 'abc2': File exists

Usage: mkdir [-p|--parents] [-v|--verbose] DIRECTORY...

vibhor shell 23> mkdir abc2/abc3/abc4

mkdir: cannot create directory 'abc2/abc3/abc4': No such file or directory

Usage: mkdir [-p|--parents] [-v|--verbose] DIRECTORY...

vibhor shell 3> mkdir

mkdir: missing operand

Usage: mkdir [-p|--parents] [-v|--verbose] DIRECTORY...

vibhor shell 4> mkdir -invalid abc

mymkdir: invalid option -- 'invalid'

Usage: mkdir [-p|--parents] [-v|--verbose] DIRECTORY...

#### 4. rm external command

# Usage:

- rm FILE...
  - o removes specified files
- rm [-f]--force] FILE...
  - o removes specified files and remains silent if non-existing files are specified
- rm [-v|--verbose] FILE...
  - o removes specified files and also list which all files are removed
- > rm&t version of all above commands are supported which invokes thread version

#### **Examples:**

vibhor shell 27> rm shell.o

vibhor shell 28> rm -v abcd

removed 'abcd'

```
vibhor shell 30> rm xyz
rm: cannot remove 'xyz': No such file or directory
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vibhor shell 32> rm xyz

vibhor shell 32> rm -f xyz

rm: cannot remove 'xyz': No such file or directory

vibhor shell 34> rm a3

rm: cannot remove 'a3': Is a directory

vibhor shell 2> rm

rm: missing operand

Usage: rm [-f|--force] [-v|--verbose] FILE...

# 5. date external command

#### **Usage:**

- > date
  - o prints date in localtime
- date [-u|--utc|--universal]
  - o prints date in UTC
- date [-I|--iso-8601]
  - o prints date in YYYY-MM-DD format
- > date&t version of all above commands are supported which invokes thread version

# **Examples:**

vibhor shell 38> date

Mon Oct 31 00:04:30 2022

vibhor shell 39> date -u

Sun Oct 30 18:34:32 2022

vibhor shell 40> date -I

2022-10-31

vibhor shell 42> date -x

mydate: invalid option -- 'x'

Usage: date [-u|--utc|--universal] [-I|--iso-8601]

vibhor shell 44> date adad

Usage: date [-u|--utc|--universal] [-I|--iso-8601]