

A. Course Handout | Prepared on 20th October, 2023

Institute/School Name	Chitkara University Institute of Engineering & Technology		
Department Name	Computer Science & Engineering		
Programme Name	Bachelor of Engineering, Computer Science & Engineering		
Course Name	Linux System Administration	Session	2023-2024
Course Code	22CS009	Semester/Batch	3 rd / 2022
L-T-P (Per Week)	3-0-2	Course Credits	04
Course Coordinator	Dr. Shikha		

1. Objectives of the Course

Linux System Administration course is designed to help the student to become a Linux Admin Expert. Also designed to shape the student as a Linux professional & help run applications, perform desired functions on system and networks, create a network configuration, and maintain security administration. The course provides a wide scope of learning and understanding of the subject. The objectives of the course are:

- To use Linux operating system knowledge for solving real world problem statements.
- To get familiar with the design, architecture and installation of Linux OS.
- To understand concepts of booting process, File system, working with files and directories, Editors and Filters/ Text processing commands of Linux OS.
- To understand basic concepts to manage the user, group of user's accounts on a system or on a network.
- To get familiar with shell scripting or program Linux system.

2. Course Learning Outcomes

On completion of the course, students will be able to:

CLO1. Understand fundamental concepts of Linux operating system.

CLO2. Apply concepts of Linux operating system in order to solve the real-life problems.

CLO3. Analyze the processes, file system and system directories in Linux operating system.

CLO4. Understand the working of Linux based system to manage the user or group of users in a network.

CLO5. Construct solutions for engineering problems by using shell script programming in Linux.

CLO-PO mapping grid | Program outcomes (POs) are available as a part of Academic Program Guide (APG)

Course Learning Outcomes	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9	PO10	PO11	PO12
CLO1		M			M			M				M
CLO2	M		M	M		M	M	M	M		M	M
CLO3						M	M		M			M
CLO4	M	M		M	M	M		H	H	M	H	H
CLO5	H	H	H	M	H		H	H			H	H

3. Recommended Books (Reference Books/Text Books):

RB1: Linux the Complete Reference, John Purcell, 7th edition, Walnut Creek, 1999.

RB2: Linux Command Line and Shell Scripting Bible, Richard Blum, 4rd edition, Wiley, 2021.

RB3: Your Unix - The Ultimate Guide, Sumitabha Das, 4th Edition, Tata McGraw-Hill, 2008.

RB4: Linux Programming Bible, John Goerzen, 8th Edition, IDG Books, 2001.

RB5: A Practical Guide to Linux, Mark G. Sobell, 3rd Edition by Pearson Education, 2013.

RB6: Unix Shell programming, Yashwant kanetkar, 1st Edition, BPB Publications, 20034.

4. Other readings and relevant websites:

S. No.	Link of Journals, Magazines, websites and Research Papers
1.	https://www.techtarget.com/searchdatacenter/definition/Linux-operating-system
2.	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/introduction-to-linux-operating-system/
3.	https://resources.infosecinstitute.com/topic/installing-configuring-centos-7-virtualbox/
4.	https://ubuntu.com/tutorials/install-ubuntu-server#1-overview
5.	https://techlog360.com/basic-ubuntu-commands-terminal-shortcuts-linux-beginner/
6.	https://www.redhat.com/sysadmin/vim-commands
7.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home
8.	https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course
9.	https://www.redhat.com/sysadmin/linux-command-basics-7-commands-process-management
10.	https://www.tutorialspoint.com/unix/unix-file-system.htm

5. Recommended Tools and Platforms:

- RedHat Enterprise Linux 8
- Ubuntu 6.1
- VM VirtualBox 7.0

6. Course Plan

Lecture Number	Topics	Recommended Book / Other reading material
1-4	Introduction: History, Linux Foundation, H/W Requirements, Linux Components, Distributions, Features, Choosing a suitable Linux distribution	RB1 RB2
5-9	Linux Architecture: Kernel, Architectural differences between Windows and Linux. Configuration & customizations of Linux, Linux structure, and Installation.	RB1 RB2
10-14	Installation: Different ways to install Linux, Linux installation (CentOS7 - Recommended), CentOS vs. CentOS stream, Take a snapshot of VM.	RB1 RB3
15-19	Boot Process: The boot process, Partitioning, dual boot, Virtual memory and swap space disk partition (df, fdisk), Adding swap space.	RB2 RB3
20-27	File System & Storage Management: File system structure, Navigation commands (cd, ls and pwd), Absolute and relative Paths, Creating files and directories (touch, cp, mkdir), Disk partitions and file systems, Mounting and unmounting file systems (mount, umount), Managing disk space (df, du)	RB2, RB3
28-32	Working with Files & Directories: Linux file types, find, locate, Changing Password, cp, rm, mv, mkdir, rmdir)	
33-37	File Display Commands: cat, less, more, head, tail) redirection, Files and directory permissions (chmod), File ownership commands (chown, chgrp)	RB1 RB3
38-43	Editors: Linux file editor (vi), Difference between vi and vim editors, nano, pico and other linux editors, "sed" command.	RB1 RB4
44-48	Filters / Text Processing Commands: cut, awk, grep/egrep, sort/uniq, wc, compare files (diff and cmp), Compress and uncompress (tar, gzip, gunzip).	RB4 RB5
49-54	User Account Management: useradd, groupadd, usermod, userdel, groupdel, Switch users and sudo access (su, sudo), Monitor users (who, last, w, id).	RB5 RB6

55-57	System Utility Commands: date, uptime, hostname, uname, which, cal, bc.	RB4 RB5
58-60	Process Management & System Monitoring: ps, bg, fg, nice commands.	RB2, RB6
61-63	Troubleshooting: ifconfig, ping, traceroute, DNS troubleshooting tools etc.	RB1, RB2
64-73	Web and Database Services: Configuring web servers (Apache, Nginx), Setting up databases (MySQL, PostgreSQL), Managing web applications, Automation and Scripting, Introduction to shell scripting (Bash), Automating tasks with scripts, Using configuration management tools (Ansible)	RB1, RB3
74-83	Shell Scripting: Shell scripting basics, Types of shells, starting a shell, Create your first script - Hello world, Conditions/If else statements Scripts, Case statements script, Conditions/If else statements, Scripts, Case statements script, for loop script, do-while scripts, Exit status, Script, For loop script, do-while scripts, Exit status	RB4 RB5
84-90	Introduction to GCC compiler: Basics of GCC, Compilation of program, Execution of program, Time stamping.	RB5 RB6

7. Delivery/Instructional Resources

Lecture Number	Topics	Web References	Audio-Video
1-4	Introduction: History, Linux Foundation, H/W Requirements, Linux Components, Distributions, Features, Choosing a suitable Linux distribution	https://www.redhat.com/en/topics/linux/what-is-linux	https://www.techtarget.com/searchdatacenter/definition/Linux-operating-system
5-9	Linux Architecture: Kernel, Architectural differences between Windows and Linux. Configuration & customizations of Linux, Linux structure, and Installation.	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/introduction-to-linux-operating-system/	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/introduction-to-linux-operating-system/
10-14	Installation: Different ways to install Linux, Linux installation (CentOS7 - Recommended), CentOS vs. CentOS stream, Take a snapshot of VM.	https://resources.infosecinstitute.com/topic/installing-configuring-centos-7-virtualbox/	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wSVA-VOWKgE
15-19	Boot Process: The boot process, Partitioning, dual boot, Virtual memory and swap space disk partition (df, fdisk), Adding swap space.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home	https://onlinecourses.swamyam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course
20-27	File System & Storage Management: File system structure, Navigation commands (cd, ls and pwd), Absolute and relative Paths, Creating files and directories (touch, cp, mkdir), Disk partitions and file systems, Mounting and unmounting file systems (mount, umount), Managing disk space (df, du)	https://www.tutorialspoint.com/unix/unix-file-system.htm	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/linux-file-hierarchy-structure/
28-32	Working with Files & Directories: Linux file types, find, locate, Changing Password, cp, rm, mv, mkdir, rmdir)	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/absolute-relative-pathnames-unix/	https://linuxconfig.org/linux-commands

33-37	File Display Commands: cat, less, more, head, tail) redirection, Files and directory permissions (chmod), File ownership commands (chown, chgrp)	https://www.edureka.co/blog/linux-commands/	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=snoVPKX1l4g
38-43	Editors: Linux file editor (vi), Difference between vi and vim editors, nano, pico and other linux editors,"sed" command.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home	https://onlinecourses.swamyam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course
44-48	Filters / Text Processing Commands: cut, awk, grep/egrep, sort/uniq, wc, compare files (diff and cmp), Compress and uncompress (tar, gzip, gunzip).	https://www.tutorialspoint.com/top-5-best-linux-text-editors	https://ru.coursera.org/lecture/linux-fundamentals/editing-text-files-xkv0S
49-54	User Account Management: useradd, groupadd, usermod, userdel, groupdel, Switch users and sudo access (su, sudo), Monitor users (who, last, w, id).	https://docs.fedoraproject.org/en-US/fedora/latest/system-administrators-guide/basic-system-configuration/Managing_Users_and_Groups/	https://onlinecourses.swamyam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course
55-57	System Utility Commands: date, uptime, hostname, uname, which, cal, bc.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FtwRe8w2kWl
58-60	Process Management & System Monitoring: ps, bg, fg, nice commands.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home	https://onlinecourses.swamyam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course
61-63	Troubleshooting: ifconfig, ping, traceroute, DNS troubleshooting tools etc.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home	https://onlinecourses.swamyam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course
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84-90	Introduction to GCC compiler: Basics of GCC, Compilation of program, Execution of program, Time stamping.	https://learning.edx.org/course/course-v1:LinuxFoundationX+LFS101x+1T2017/home	https://onlinecourses.swamyam2.ac.in/aic20_sp24/course

8. Action plan for different types of learners

Slow Learners	Average Learners	Fast Learners
Remedial Classes	Doubt-sessions	Advance Practical assignments

9. Evaluation Scheme & Components

Evaluation Component	Type of Component	No. of Assessments	Weightage of Component	Mode of Assessment
Component 1	Subjective Test/Sessional Tests (STs)	02*	40%	Offline/Online
Component 2	End Term Examinations	01	60%	Offline/Online
Total		100%		

*Out of 01 STs, the ERP system automatically picks the best 01 ST marks for evaluation of the STs as final marks.

10. Details of Evaluation Components

Evaluation Component	Description	Syllabus Covered (%)	Timeline of Examination	Weightage (%)
Component 01	ST 01	Upto 40%	Week 3	40%
	ST 02	41% - 80%	Week 7	
Component 02	End Term Examination*	100%	To be notified by Dean Examination	60%
Total				100%

* As per Academic Guidelines minimum 85% attendance is required to become eligible for appearing in the End Semester Examination.

11. Syllabus of the Course

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures	Weightage %
1	Introduction: History, Linux Foundation, H/W Requirements, Linux Components, Distributions, Features, Choosing a suitable Linux distribution. Linux Architecture: Kernel, Architectural differences between Windows and Linux. Configuration & customizations of Linux, Linux structure, and Installation. Installation: Different ways to install Linux, Linux installation (CentOS7 - Recommended), CentOS vs. CentOS stream, Take a snapshot of VM.	14	15%
2	Boot Process: The boot process, Partitioning, dual boot, Virtual memory and swap space disk partition (df, fdisk), Adding swap space. File System & Storage Management: File system structure, Navigation commands (cd, ls and pwd), Absolute and relative Paths, Creating files and directories (touch, cp, mkdir), Disk partitions and file systems, Mounting and unmounting file systems (mount, umount), Managing disk space (df, du)	13	14%
3	Working with Files & Directories: Linux file types, find, locate, Changing Password, cp, rm, mv, mkdir, rmdir) File Display Commands: cat, less, more, head, tail) redirection, Files and	16	18%



	directory permissions (chmod), File ownership commands (chown, chgrp) Editors: Linux file editor (vi), Difference between vi and vim editors, nano, pico and other linux editors,"sed" command.		
4	Filters / Text Processing Commands: cut, awk, grep/egrep, sort/uniq, wc, compare files (diff and cmp), Compress and uncompress (tar, gzip, gunzip). User Account Management: useradd, groupadd, usermod, userdel, groupdel, Switch users and sudo access (su, sudo), Monitor users (who, last, w, id). System Utility Commands: date, uptime, hostname, uname, which, cal, bc.	14	16%
5	Process Management & System Monitoring: ps, bg, fg, nice commands. Troubleshooting: ifconfig, ping, traceroute, DNS troubleshooting tools etc. Web and Database Services: Configuring web servers (Apache, Nginx), Setting up databases (MySQL, PostgreSQL), Managing web applications, Automation and Scripting, Introduction to shell scripting (Bash), Automating tasks with scripts, Using configuration management tools (Ansible)	16	18%
6	Shell Scripting: Shell scripting basics, Types of shells, starting a shell, Create your first script - Hello world, Conditions/If else statements Scripts, Case statements script, Conditions/If else statements, Scripts, Case statements script, for loop script, do-while scripts, Exit status, Script, For loop script, do-while scripts, Exit status	10	11%
7	Introduction to GCC compiler: Basics of GCC, Compilation of program, Execution of program, Time stamping	7	8%

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