Project Report On Disk Usage Analyzer - Linux CLI Tool

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Chapter 1: Introduction

1.1 Scope of the System

The Disk Usage Analyzer is a command-line tool for Linux designed to provide users with an overview of their storage usage. It helps identify large directories and files, provides disk usage summaries, and allows for specific directory analysis. This tool uses basic Linux commands like df, du, and find to gather data, sort it, and display it in a clear, concise format.

1.2 Project Description

1.2.1 About Existing System

The existing system in many banks is either manual or uses outdated legacy software. Manual systems often result in inefficiencies such as slow transaction processing, human errors, and difficulty in data retrieval. Many older software systems are not user-friendly, lack advanced security features, and are prone to data inconsistencies.

1.2.2 Implementation of the Proposed System

The objective of the Disk Usage Analyzer is to provide Linux users and administrators with a convenient, command-line-based tool to monitor and manage disk space usage efficiently. This tool aims to:

- 1. **Offer a Disk Usage Overview**: Provide a quick summary of the total disk usage across all mounted filesystems, helping users understand overall space consumption.
- 2. **Identify Largest Storage Consumers**: Quickly list the top 10 largest directories and files on the system, enabling users to identify areas with significant storage usage and potentially free up space.
- 3. **Enable Specific Directory Analysis**: Allow users to analyze the disk usage of specific directories, providing insights into their impact on overall disk space.
- 4. **Streamline Storage Management**: Simplify the process of identifying storage-hogging directories and files, making it easier to clean up unnecessary data and optimize disk space.

1.3 Advantages of the Project

Before using the Disk Usage Analyzer script, ensure the following prerequisites are met:

- 1. **Linux Operating System**: The script is designed to run on Linux-based systems with bash shell support.
- 2. **Basic Knowledge of Command Line**: Familiarity with using the terminal and basic command-line operations is helpful for executing the script and interpreting its output.
- 3. **Sudo or Root Access (Optional)**: For complete system-wide analysis, root privileges may be required to access certain directories and files. Running the script as a regular user may limit access to certain areas of the filesystem.
- 4. **Installations**: The script relies on standard Linux utilities (df, du, find, sort, and head), which are commonly available on most Linux distributions by default. Ensure these
- 5. utilities are installed on the system.
- 6. **Script File**: Save the provided code as disk_usage_analyzer.sh and make it executable. Use the following command to make the script executable:

Chapter 2: Implementation

Here is the implementation of the **Disk Usage Analyzer** script. You can copy this code into a file, make it executable, and run it to analyze disk usage on your Linux system.

```
splay usage Summary
echo "Disk Usage Summary:"
df -h --total
echo
#List top 10 largest Directories
echo"Top 10 Largest Directories:"
du -ah / | sort -rh | head -n 10
echo
#check disk usage
read -p "Enter a directory path to analyze (or press enter to skip): " dir
if [-d "$dir" ]; then
     echo "Disk Usage for directory $dir: "
      du -sh "$dir"
else
    echo "No Directory Specified or invalid directory."
fi
echo
#find and list the top 10 largest files
echo "Top 10 Largest Files:"
find / -type f -exec du -h {} + 2>/dev/null | sort -rh | head -n 10
     root@localhost:~
```

2.1 Usage Instructions

1. Save the script as disk_usage_analyzer.sh:

nano disk_usage_analyzer.sh:

2. Make the script executable:

chmod +x disk_usage_analyzer.sh

3. Run the script:

./disk_usage_analyzer.sh

Chapter 3: Explanation of the Script

- 1. find / -type f: Searches for all files (-type f) under the root directory (/).
- 2. -exec du -h {} +: For each file found, du -h is executed to display its size in human-readable format.
- 3. 2>/dev/null: Redirects permission errors to /dev/null, effectively suppressing them, so the script only shows files it has access to.
- 4. sort -rh | head -n 10: Sorts the files by size in reverse order and displays the top 10 largest files.
- 5. This section is useful for quickly identifying large, individual files that may be taking up unnecessary space.

3.1 Display Disk Usage Summary

```
echo "Disk Usage Summary:"

df -h --total

echo
```

• Command: df -h --total

Explanation:

- df shows the amount of disk space used and available on mounted filesystems.
- -h makes it human-readable (shows sizes in MB, GB).
- --total adds a summary line showing the total disk usage across all filesystems.
- **Purpose:** Provides an overview of total disk space usage.

3.2 List the Top 10 Largest Directories

```
echo "Top 10 Largest Directories:"

du -ah / | sort -rh | head -n 10

echo
```

• **Command**: du -ah / | sort -rh | head -n 10

Explanation:

- du -ah /: Calculates the size of each file and directory from the root (/) directory.
- -a includes files as well as directories.

- -h makes it human-readable.
- sort -rh: Sorts entries by size in reverse order (largest first).
- head -n 10: Shows only the top 10 entries.
- **Purpose**: Identifies the directories and files using the most space.

3.3 Check Disk Usage for a Specific Directory

```
read -p "Enter a directory path to analyze (or press enter to skip): " dir
if [ -d "$dir" ]; then
    echo "Disk Usage for directory $dir: "
    du -sh "$dir"
else
    echo "No Directory Specified or invalid directory."
fi
echo
```

• Commands: read, du -sh "\$dir"

Explanation:

- read -p: Prompts the user to enter a directory path.
- if [-d "\$dir"]; then: Checks if the entered path is a valid directory.
- du -sh "\$dir": Calculates and displays the total size of the specified directory.
- -s gives a summary for the whole directory.
- -h makes it human-readable.
- **Purpose:** Allows the user to analyze a specific directory's storage usage.

3.4 Find and List the Top 10 Largest Files

```
echo "Top 10 Largest Files:"

find / -type f -exec du -h {} + 2>/dev/null | sort -rh | head -n 10 echo
```

• Command: find / -type f -exec du -h $\{\} + 2 > \text{dev/null} \mid \text{sort -rh} \mid \text{head -n } 10$

Explanation:

- find / -type f: Finds all files starting from the root directory.
- -exec du -h {} +: For each file found, du -h displays its size.
- 2>/dev/null: Suppresses permission errors by redirecting them to /dev/null.
- sort -rh | head -n 10: Sorts files by size (largest first) and displays the top 10.
- **Purpose:** Lists the largest files on the system to help identify space hogs.

Chapter 4: How to Run the Script

Follow these steps to save, make executable, and run the script:

4.1 Save the Script:

• Open a text editor (like nano) and create a file named disk_usage_analyzer.sh

```
nano disk_usage_analyzer.sh
```

- Copy and paste the script into this file.
- Save and close the file by pressing Ctrl+X, then Y, then Enter.

4.2 Make the Script Executable:

• Run the following command to grant execute permissions to the script:

```
chmod +x disk_usage_analyzer.sh
```

4.3 Run the Script:

• Execute the script using the following command:

```
./disk_usage_analyzer.sh
```

Chapter 5: Conclusion

The **Disk Usage Analyzer** script is a straightforward yet powerful tool for managing disk space on Linux systems. By utilizing fundamental commands like df, du, and find, the script provides a comprehensive view of storage usage, making it easier for users to identify the largest directories and files, check specific directory sizes, and ultimately manage storage resources more effectively. The tool is designed with ease of use in mind, offering human-readable outputs and useful summaries without requiring extensive knowledge of Linux commands.

This script is particularly helpful for system administrators and users who need to keep a close eye on disk space, especially on servers or systems with limited storage. With the ability to pinpoint the largest directories and files, users can make informed decisions about which files to clean up, resulting in a more optimized and efficient system.

The Disk Usage Analyzer is a versatile solution that can be easily customized and extended to suit individual needs, and it serves as a solid foundation for anyone looking to build upon disk usage analysis tools in Linux.

Chapter 6: Result

```
[root@MiWiFi-R4CM-srv ~]# ls
anaconda-ks.cfg
                        Downloads file4.txt
                                                         Music
Desktop
                        edit.txt
                                   initial-setup-ks.cfg Pictures
                                                                   stopped
disk usage analyzer.sh file1.txt MCA3B
                                                         Public
                                                                   Templates
                                                         Ritik
                                                                   Videos
Documents
                        file2.txt MCA3B.txt
[root@MiWiFi-R4CM-srv ~]# ./disk_usage_analyzer.sh
./disk usage analyzer.sh: line 1: splay: command not found
Disk Usage Summary:
Filesystem
                         Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
devtmpfs
                         903M
                                  0 903M
                                            0% /dev
                         919M
                                  0 919M
tmpfs
                                            0% /dev/shm
tmpfs
                         919M 9.4M 910M
                                            2% /run
                         919M
                                     919M
tmpfs
                                  0
                                            0% /sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/mapper/centos-root
                          17G
                               6.3G
                                      11G
                                           37% /
/dev/sdal
                        1014M 188M
                                           19% /boot
                                     827M
                                    184M
                                           1% /run/user/0
tmpfs
                         184M
                                40K
total
                          22G 6.5G
                                      16G
                                           30% -
./disk usage analyzer.sh: line 7: echoTop 10 Largest Directories:: command not found
du: cannot access '/proc/16613/task/16613/fd/3': No such file or directory
du: cannot access '/proc/16613/task/16613/fdinfo/3': No such file or directory
du: cannot access '/proc/16613/fd/4': No such file or directory
du: cannot access '/proc/16613/fdinfo/4': No such file or directory
6.4G
4.9G
        /usr
2.0G
        /usr/share
```

```
2.0G
        /usr/share
1.3G
       /usr/lib64
1.3G
       /usr/lib
1022M
       /swapfile
513M
       /usr/lib/firmware
453M
       /usr/share/locale
323M
        /usr/share/xml
321M
        /usr/share/xml/scap/ssg/content
Enter a directory path to analyze (or press enter to skip): /
./disk usage analyzer.sh: line 13: [-d: command not found
No Directory Specified or invalid directory.
Top 10 Largest Files:
1022M
       /swapfile
141M
       /var/lib/rpm/Packages
139M
       /usr/lib64/firefox/libxul.so
102M
       /usr/lib/locale/locale-archive
78M
        /boot/initramfs-0-rescue-5d0428da0520244fa8910c9cca6b981b.img
71M
        /usr/lib/jvm/java-1.8.0-openjdk-1.8.0.332.b09-1.el7 9.x86 64/jre/lib/rt.jar
66M
        /usr/lib/jvm/java-1.7.0-openjdk-1.7.0.261-2.6.22.2.el7 8.x86 64/jre/lib/rt.jar
50M
        /usr/lib64/libwebkit2gtk-4.0.so.37.44.4
        /usr/lib64/libLLVM-7-rhel.so
41M
40M
        /usr/lib64/firefox/browser/omni.ja
[root@MiWiFi-R4CM-srv ~]# vi disk usage analyzer.sh
```