Linux Commands

1. pwd

Use the pwd command to find out the path of the current working directory (folder) you're in. The command will return an absolute (full) path, which is basically a path of all the directories that starts with a forward slash (/). An example of an absolute path is /home/username.

```
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing Q = _ _ _ &

To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".

See "man sudo_root" for details.

aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing$ pwd
/home/aiswarya/Desktop/Shell programing
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing$

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2. mkdir

Use the mkdir command to make a new directory — if you type mkdir MCA it will create a directory called MCA.

3. Is

The Is command is used to view the contents of a directory. By default, this command will display the contents of your current working directory. If you want to see the content of other directories, type Is and then the directory's path.

4. cd

To navigate through the Linux files and directories, use the cd. It requires either the full path or the name of the directory, depending on the current working directory that you're in.

```
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing... Q = - □ & aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing$ cd MCA aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ pwd/home/aiswarya/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$
```

5. uname

The uname command, short for Unix Name, will print detailed information about your Linux system like the machine name, operating system, kernel, and so on.

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aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing...  

aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ uname
Linux
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$
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6. rmdir

If you need to delete a directory, use the rmdir command. However, rmdir only allows you to delete empty directories.

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aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing... Q = - D & aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ rmdir MCA aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ ls ft.txt aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$
```

7. vi

To get a text document

```
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing Q = - □ &

To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".

See "man sudo_root" for details.

aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing$ vi one.txt
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing$
```

8. head

The head command is used to view the first lines of any text file. By default, it will show the first ten lines, but you can change this number to your liking. For example, if you only want to show the first three lines, type head -n 3 filename.ext.

9. tail

This one has a similar function to the head command, but instead of showing the first lines, the tail command will display the last ten lines of a text file. For example, tail -n filename.ext.

10. cat

cat (short for concatenate) is one of the most frequently used commands in Linux. It is used to list the contents of a file on the standard output stdout. To run this command, type cat followed by the file's name and its extension. For instance: cat file.txt.

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aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing Q = - □ S

To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".

See "man sudo_root" for details.

aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing$ cat one.txt

book
Pen
pencil
Marker
Record
welcome to the text file
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing$
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11. wc

This command is used to find the total word count of the file.

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aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing Q ≡ − □ ⊗
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing$ wc one.txt
6 10 55 one.txt
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing$
```

12. df

Use df command to get a report on the system's disk space usage, shown in percentage and KBs. If you want to see the report in megabytes, type df -m.

```
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing$ df
Filesystem 1K-blocks Used Available Use% Mounted on
Filesystem
                                                     529604
udev
                          529604
                                                                   0% /dev
                                                                 2% /run
63% /
                          111756
                                          1268
                                                      110488
tmpfs
/dev/sda5
                         9736500 5774700
                                                    3447496
                                                               0% /dev/shm
1% /run/lock
0% /sys/fs/cgroup
100% /snap/gnome-3-34-1804/66
                                                      558776
tmpfs
                           558776
                                              0
                                                        5116
tmpfs
                             5120
tmpfs
                           558776
                                              0
                                                     558776
/dev/loop0
/dev/loop1
/dev/loop2
/dev/loop3
/dev/loop4
/dev/sda1
                           224256
                                       224256
                                                             0
                            56832
                                        56832
                                                             0 100% /snap/core18/1988
                                                            0 100% /snap/gtk-common-themes/1514
0 100% /snap/snap-store/518
                            66432
                                        66432
                            52352
                                        52352
                                                            0 100% /snap/snapd/11036
44 1% /boot/efi
                            31872
                                        31872
                           523248
                                                      523244
  npfs 111752 24 111728 1%/run/user/1000
.swarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing$
tmpfs
```

13. du

If you want to check how much space a file or a directory takes, the du (Disk Usage) command is the answer. However, the disk usage summary will show disk block numbers instead of the usual size format. If you want to see it in bytes, kilobytes, and megabytes, add the -h argument to the command line.

14. touch

The touch command allows you to create a blank new file through the Linux command line.

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aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing... Q ≡ − □ ⊗

aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ touch ft.txt
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ ls

ft.txt
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing/MCA$ ■
```

15. history

When you've been using Linux for a certain period of time, you'll quickly notice that you can run hundreds of commands every day. As such, running history command is particularly useful if you want to review the s you've entered before.

```
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox: ~/Desktop/Shell programing
aiswarya@aiswarya-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Shell programing$ history
      vi hello.txt
      sh hello.sh
vi hello.sh
      sh hello.sh
      vi hello.sh
      sh hello.sh
   8
      vi hello.sh
      sh hello.sh
   9
      vi hello.sh
sh hello.sh
  10
  11
      vi hello.sh
      sh hello.sh
  13
  14
      vi sum.sh
  15
      sh sum.sh
      vi div.sh
```

16. ps

Ps command will display all current processes along with their process ids (PID) . Read manuals for various options.