

WELCOME TO:
MODULE 5

LINUX SYSTEM
ADMINISTRATION

Linux File Editor

- A text editor is a program which enables you to create and manipulate data (text) in a Linux file
- There are several standard text editors available on most Linux systems
 - **vi** - Visual editor
 - **ed** - Standard line editor
 - **ex** - Extended line editor
 - **emacs** - A full screen editor
 - **pico** - Beginner's editor
 - **vim** - Advance version of vi
- Our editor = vi (available in almost every Linux distribution)

“sed” Command

- Replace a string in a file with a newstring
- Find and delete a line
- Remove empty lines
- Remove the first or n lines in a file
- To replace tabs with spaces
- Show defined lines from a file
- Substitute within vi editor
- And much more...

Introduction to vi Editor

- vi supplies commands for:

- Inserting and deleting text
- Replacing text
- Moving around the file
- Finding and substituting strings
- Cutting and pasting text

- Most common keys:

- `i` - insert
- `Esc` - Escape out of any mode
- `r` - replace
- `d` - delete
- `:q!` - quit without saving
- `:wq!` - quit and save

User Account Management

Commands

- `useradd`
- `groupadd`
- `userdel`
- `groupdel`
- `usermod`

Files

- `/etc/passwd`
- `/etc/group`
- `/etc/shadow`

Example:

```
useradd -g superheros -s /bin/bash -c "user description" -m -d  
/home/spiderman spiderman
```

Switch Users and sudo Access

Commands

- `su - username`
- `sudo command`
- `visudo`

File

- `/etc/sudoers`

Monitor Users

- who
- last
- w
- finger
- id

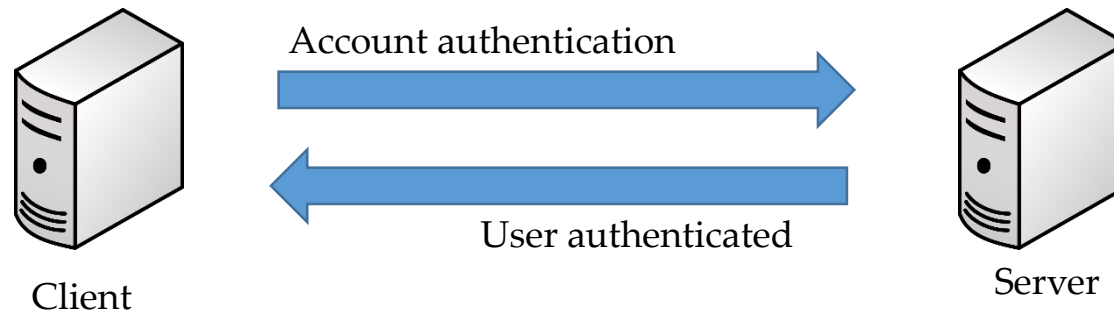
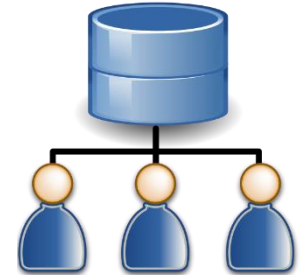
Talking to Users



- users
- wall
- write

Linux Account Authentication

- Types of Accounts
 - Local accounts
 - Domain/Directory accounts



- Windows = Active Directory
- Linux = LDAP?

Difference between Active Directory, LDAP, IDM, WinBIND, OpenLDAP etc.

- Active Directory = Microsoft
- IDM = Identity Manager
- WinBIND = Used in Linux to communicate with Windows (Samba)
- OpenLDAP (open source)
- IBM Directory Server
- JumpCloud
- LDAP = Lightweight Directory Access Protocol

System Utility Commands

- `date`
- `uptime`
- `hostname`
- `uname`
- `which`
- `cal`
- `bc`

Processes and Jobs

- Application = Service
- Script
- Process
- Daemon
- Threads
- Job

Process / Services Commands

- `systemctl` or `service`
- `ps`
- `top`
- `kill`
- `crontab`
- `at.`

Additional Cron Jobs

- By default there are 4 different types of cronjobs
 - Hourly
 - Daily
 - Weekly
 - Monthly
- All the above crons are setup in
 - **/etc/cron.____** (directory)
- The timing for each are set in
 - **/etc/anacrontab** -- except hourly
- For hourly
 - **/etc/cron.d/0hourly**



PROCESS MANAGEMENT

- Background = `Ctrl-z`, `jobs` and `bg`
- Foreground = `fg`
- Run process even after exit = `nohup process &`
OR = `nohup process > /dev/null 2>&1 &`
- Kill a process by name = `pkill`
- Process priority = `nice` (e.g. `nice -n 5 process`)

The niceness scale goes from -20 to 19. The lower the number more priority that task gets

- Process monitoring = `top`
- List process = `ps`.

System Monitoring

- `top`
- `df`
- `dmesg`
- `iostat 1`
- `netstat`
- `free`
- `cat /proc/cpuinfo`
- `cat /proc/meminfo`

Log Monitoring

Another and most important way of system administration is log monitor

Log Directory = **/var/log**

- **boot**
- **chronyd = NTP**
- **cron**
- **maillog**
- **secure**
- **messages**
- **httpd**

System Maintenance Commands

- `shutdown`
- `init 0-7`
- `reboot`
- `halt`

Changing System Hostname

- `hostnamectl --set-hostname newhostname`
- Version 7 = Edit `/etc/hostname`
- Version 6 = Edit `/etc/sysconfig/network`

Finding System Information

- `cat /etc/redhat-release`
- `uname -a`
- `dmidecode`

System Architecture

- Differences between a 32-bit and 64-bit CPU

A big difference between 32-bit processors and 64-bit processors is the number of calculations per second they can perform, which affects the speed at which they can complete tasks. 64-bit processors can come in dual core, quad core, six core, and eight core versions for home computing. Multiple cores allow for an increased number of calculations per second that can be performed, which can increase the processing power and help make a computer run faster. Software programs that require many calculations to function smoothly can operate faster and more efficiently on the multi-core 64-bit processors

- Linux = arch
- Windows = My computer → Properties

Terminal Control Keys

Several key combinations on your keyboard usually have a special effect on the terminal.

These "control" (CTRL) keys are accomplished by holding the CTRL key while typing the second key. For example, CTRL-c means to hold the CTRL key while you type the letter "c".

The most common control keys are listed below:

- **CTRL-u** - erase everything you've typed on the command line
- **CTRL-c** - stop/kill a command
- **CTRL-z** - suspend a command
- **CTRL-d** - exit from an interactive program (signals end of data).

Terminal Commands

- **clear**

Clears your screen

- **exit**

Exit out of the shell, terminal or a user session

- **script**

The script command stores terminal activities in a log file that can be named by a user, when a name is not provided by a user, the default file name, typescript is used

Recover Root Password

- Restart your computer
- Edit grub
- Change password
- reboot

SOS REPORT



- What is SOS Report?
 - Collect and package diagnostic and support data
- Package name
 - sos-version
- Command
 - sosreport

Environment Variables

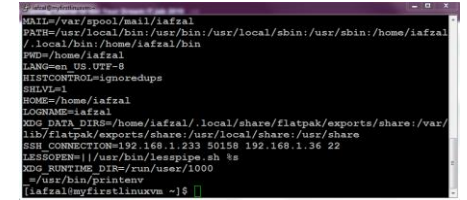
- What are environment variables?
 - An environment variable is a dynamic-named value that can affect the way running processes will behave on a computer. They are part of the environment in which a process runs.
 - In simple words: set of defined rules and values to build an environment
 - E.g.

```
iafal@var/spool/mail/iafal:~$  
PATH=/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/sbin:/home/iafal/  
/.local/bin:/home/iafal/bin  
PWD=/home/iafal  
LANG=en_US.UTF-8  
HISTCONTROL=ignoredups  
SHLVL=1  
HOME=/home/iafal  
LOGNAME=iafal  
XDG_DATA_DIRS=/home/iafal/.local/share/flatpak/exports/share:/var/  
lib/flatpak/exports/share:/usr/local/share:/usr/share  
SSH_CONNECTION=192.168.1.223 50189 192.168.1.36 22  
LESSOPEN=||/usr/bin/lesspipe.sh %s  
XDG_RUNTIME_DIR=/run/user/1000  
-/usr/bin/printenv  
[iafal@myfirstlinuxvm ~]$
```



Environment Variables

- To view all environment variables
 - `printenv` OR `env`
- To view ONE environment variable
 - `echo $SHELL`
- To set the environment variables
 - `export TEST=1`
 - `echo $TEST`
- To set environment variable permanently
 - `vi .bashrc`
 - `TEST='123'`
 - `export TEST`
- To set global environment variable permanently
 - `vi /etc/profile` or `/etc/bashrc`
 - `Test='123'`
 - `export TEST`

A terminal window with a dark background and light-colored text. It displays the output of the 'env' command, listing various environment variables such as MAIL, PATH, PWD, LANG, HISTCONTROL, SHLVL, HOME, LOGNAME, XDG_DATA_DIRS, and XDG_RUNTIME_DIR. The prompt at the bottom indicates the user is 'iafzal' on a 'linuxvm' machine.

```
MAIL=/var/spool/mail/iafzal
PATH=/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/sbin:/home/iafzal/.local/bin:/home/iafzal/bin
PWD=/home/iafzal
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
HISTCONTROL=ignoredups
SHLVL=1
HOME=/home/iafzal
LOGNAME=iafzal
XDG_DATA_DIRS=/home/iafzal/.local/share/flatpak/exports/share:/var/lib/flatpak/exports/share:/usr/local/share:/usr/share
SSH_CONNECTION=192.168.1.223 50158 192.168.1.36 22
LESSOPEN=||/usr/bin/lesspipe.sh %s
XDG_RUNTIME_DIR=/run/user/1000
~/usr/bin/printenv
iafzal@linuxvm ~$
```