Linux

Linux is an open-source kernel, not a complete operating system. A kernel is the core software that allows applications to interact with the hardware. The Linux Kernel is written in C language and was developed by Linus Torvalds.

An Operating System (OS) = Kernel + Libraries + Tools + Packages.

Linux Distros (Distributions)

Linux comes in different versions called distributions (distros). These are categorized based on their usage:

Desktop	Servers	Embedded Systems	Smartphones
Ubuntu	Ubuntu	Raspberry Pi OS	Android
Mint	CentOS	OpenWRT	

Linux Kernel Repository: https://github.com/torvalds/linux

Major Linux Distros

Ubuntu

Debian

Fedora

Arch Linux

CentOS

OpenSUSE

Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL)

Kali Linux

Linux Mint

Manjaro

Hypervisors (Virtualization)

A Hypervisor is software that allows multiple virtual machines (VMs) to run on a single physical machine by logically partitioning hardware resources.

Types of Hypervisors

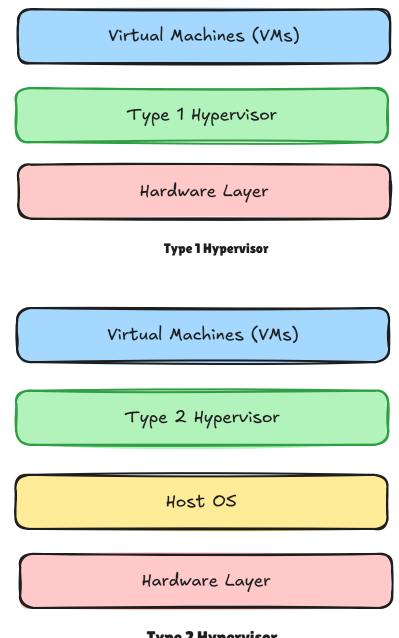
1. Type-1 (Bare Metal): Runs directly on the hardware without an underlying OS.

Example: Xen, VMware ESXi, Microsoft Hyper-V, AWS Nitro

2. Type-2 (Hosted): Runs on top of an operating system.

Example: VirtualBox, VMware Workstation, Parallels

Hypervisor Diagram



Type 2 Hypervisor

Basic Linux Commands

File Operations

Action	Command Example
Create a file	touch filename.txt
Read a file	cat filename.txt
Write to a file	echo "Hello" > filename.txt
Append to a file	echo "More text" >> filename.txt
Edit a file	nano filename.txt / vim filename.txt
Delete a file	rm filename.txt
Copy a file	<pre>cp filename.txt newfile.txt</pre>
Move a file	<pre>mv filename.txt /path/to/destination/</pre>
Rename a file	mv oldname.txt newname.txt

Folder (Directory) Operations

Action	Command Example
Create a folder	mkdir foldername
Remove a folder	<pre>rmdir foldername (empty folder only)</pre>
Remove a folder with contents	rm -r foldername
Copy a folder	cp -r foldername newfoldername
Move a folder	<pre>mv foldername /path/to/destination/</pre>
Rename a folder	mv oldfolder newfolder