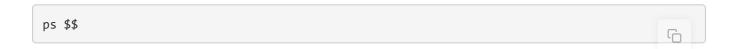
Getting Meta Information in Bash

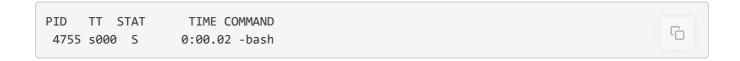
Explore the commands used to retrieve details about Shell and meta information about commands.

Finding Out Your Default Shell

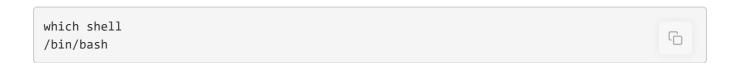
To find out what your default interpreter is, type this in the command window:



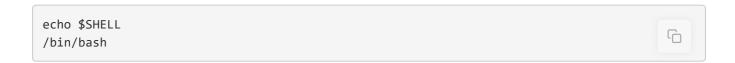
The following sample output shows that we are using Bash Shell:



Now, to find out the *full execution* path of your shell interpreter, you can type which bash

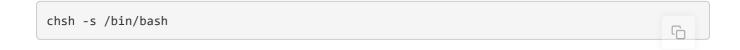


Similarly, you can use or echo \$SHELL for this same purpose:



Changing Your Default Shell

If your default shell is some other than **bash**, you can conveniently change your shell to bash by entering:



Getting Command Information in Linux

You can view the official documentation by typing man command or info command in the terminal. For example, to open the manpage of cal command, we use:

