Linux Commands

This is a custom Linux cheat cheat poster with a few of the most used command.



Files & Navigation

Is - directory listing
la-I - formatted listing
cd dir - change directory
cd/dir - change to parent dir
cd - returns to home dir
pwd - current dir
mkdir dir - creates a dir
rm file - deletes file
rm -f dir - removes dir
rm -r delete dir
cp file 1 file2 - copy 1 to 2
mv filel file2 - move 1 to dir as 2
touch file - updates Or Create file
cat file - displays content of file
cat > file - writes input to file
cat >> file - append input to file

	tail -f file - outputs content as it grows
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Sys	tem Info
	uptime - shows current uptime
	date - shows date and time
	who am I - shows loggin status
	w - who is online
	cat /proc/cpuinfo - CPU info
	cat /proc/meminfo - memory info
	free - memory and swap usage
	du - directory space usage
	du-sh - readable size in GB
	df - disk usage
	uname-a - kernel co fig
Per	missions
	chmod octal file - change permissions of file
	4 -read (r)
	2 - write (w)
	1 - execute (x)
	order - owner/group/world
	chmod 777 - rwx everyone
	chmod 755 - rw for owner, rx for world
Pro	cesses
	ps - current active process
	ps aux - detailed outputs
	kill pids - kills process with id
	kill all proc - kills all process
	named proc
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Net	working

whois domain - get whois for domain	
ping host - pings host	
dig domain - gets DNS for domain	
dig -x host - reserve lookup host	
wget file - download file	
wget -c file - continue stopped download	
ssh user@host - connects as host	
ssh -p port user@host - connects using port	
ssh -D user@host - connects & binds port	
Compressing	
tar cf file.tar files - change file to file.tar	
tar xf file.tar - untar in current dir	
tar tf file.tar - shows archive contents	Make and Share Free Checklists checkli.com