Linux Commands

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



Files & Navigation

Is - directory listing
la-l - 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			
System 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			
Permissions			
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			
Processes			
ps - current active process			
ps aux - detailed outputs			
kill pids - kills process with id			
kill all proc - kills all process			
named proc			
Networking			

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