

Unix In A Nutshell In A Nutshell Oreilly

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Explains the progression in Unix from grep to sed and awk, describes how to write sed scripts, covers common programming constructs, and details awk's built-in functions

For intermediate to experienced C programmers who want to become UNIX system programmers.

Explains system calls and special library routines available on the system. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

Demonstrates the programming language's strength as a Web development tool, covering syntax, data types, built-ins, the Python standard module library, and real world examples.

SCO UNIX in a Nutshell

Hidden Commands that Unlock the Power of Unix

Unix Shell Programming

Learning the bash Shell

Berkeley Edition

As an open operating system, Unix can be improved on by anyone and everyone: individuals, companies, universities, and more. As a result, the very nature of Unix has been altered over the years by numerous extensions formulated in an assortment of versions. Today, Unix encompasses everything from Sun's Solaris to Apple's Mac OS X and more varieties of Linux than you can easily name. The latest edition of this bestselling reference brings Unix into the 21st century. It's been reworked to keep current with the broader state of Unix in today's world and highlight the strengths of this operating system in all its various flavors. Detailing all Unix commands and options, the informative guide provides generous descriptions and examples that put those commands in context. Here are some of the new features you'll find in Unix in a Nutshell, Fourth Edition Solaris 10, the latest version of the SVR4-based operating system, GNU/Linux, and Mac OS X Bash shell (along with the 1988 and 1993 versions of ksh) tsch shell (instead of the original Berkeley csh) Package management programs, used for program installation on popular GNU/Linux systems, Solaris and Mac OS X GNU Emacs Version 21 Introduction to source code management systems Concurrent versions system Subversion version control system GDB debugger As Unix has progressed, certain commands that were once critical have fallen into disuse. To that end, the book has also dropped material that is no longer relevant, keeping it taut and current. If you're a Unix user or programmer, you'll recognize the value of this complete, up-to-date Unix reference. With chapter overviews, specific examples, and detailed command.

"As an author, editor, and publisher, I never paid much attention to the competition—except in a few cases. This is one of those cases. The UNIX System Administration Handbook is one of the few books we ever measured ourselves against." —Tim O'Reilly, founder of O'Reilly Media "This edition is for those whose systems live in the cloud or in virtualized data centers; those whose administrative work largely takes the form of automation and configuration source code; those who collaborate closely with developers, network engineers, compliance officers, and all the other worker bees who inhabit the modern hive." —Paul Vixie, Internet Hall of Fame-recognized innovator and founder of ISC and Farsight Security "This book is fun and functional as a desktop reference. If you use UNIX and Linux systems, you need this book in your short-reach library. It covers a bit of the systems' history but doesn't bloviate. It's just straightforward information delivered in a colorful and memorable fashion." —Jason A. Nunnelley UNIX® and Linux® System Administration Handbook, Fifth Edition, is today's definitive guide to installing, configuring, and maintaining any UNIX or Linux system, including systems that supply core Internet and cloud infrastructure. Updated for new distributions and cloud environments, this comprehensive guide covers best practices for every facet of system administration, including storage management, network design and administration, security, web hosting, automation, configuration management, performance analysis, virtualization, DNS, security, and the management of IT service organizations. The authors—world-class, hands-on technologists—offer indispensable new coverage of cloud platforms, the DevOps philosophy, continuous deployment, containerization, monitoring, and many other essential topics. Whatever your role in running systems and networks built on UNIX or Linux, this conversational, well-written guide will improve your efficiency and help solve your knottiest problems.

A guide to the operating system's commands and options covers new commands, shell syntax, regular expressions, and obsolete terminology

Unix in a NutshellA Desktop Quick Reference – Covers GNU/Linux, Mac OS X, and Solaris"O'Reilly Media, Inc."

**A Guide to System Programming
Sed & Awk**

Learning the Vi and Vim Editors

A Desktop Quick Reference for System V Release 4 and Solaris 7

Classic Shell Scripting

Unix Shell Programming is a tutorial aimed at helping Unix and Linux users get optimal performance out of their operating system. It shows them how to take control of their systems and work efficiently by harnessing the power of the shell to solve common problems. The reader learns everything he or she needs to know to customize the way a Unix system responds. The vast majority of Unix users utilize the Korn shell or some variant of the Bourne shell, such as bash. Three are covered in the third edition of Unix Shell Programming. It begins with a generalized tutorial of Unix and tools and then moves into detailed coverage of shell programming. Topics covered include: regular expressions, the kernel and the utilities, command files, parameters, manipulating text filters, understanding and debugging shell scripts, creating and utilizing variables, tools, processes, and customizing the shell.

Over the last few years, Linux has grown both as an operating system and a tool for personal and business use. Simultaneously becoming more user friendly and more powerful as a back-end system, Linux has achieved new plateaus: the newer filesystems have solidified, new commands and tools have appeared and become standard, and the desktop--including new desktop environments--have proved to be viable, stable, and readily accessible to even those who don't consider themselves computer gurus. Whether you're using Linux for personal software projects, for a small office or home office (often termed the SOHO environment), to provide services to a small group of colleagues, or to administer a site responsible for millions of email and web connections each day, you need quick access to information on a wide range of tools. This book covers all aspects of administering and making effective use of Linux systems. Among its topics are booting, package management, and revision control. But foremost in Linux in a Nutshell are the utilities and commands that make Linux one of the most powerful and flexible systems available. Now in its fifth edition, Linux in a Nutshell brings users up-to-date with the current state of Linux. Considered by many to be the most complete and authoritative command reference for Linux available, the book covers all substantial user, programming, administration, and networking commands for the most common Linux distributions. Comprehensive but concise, the fifth edition has been updated to cover new features of major Linux distributions. Configuration information for the rapidly growing commercial network services and community update services is one of the subjects covered for the first time. But that's just the beginning. The book covers editors, shells, and LILO and GRUB boot options. There's also coverage of Apache, Samba, Postfix, sendmail, CVS, Subversion, Emacs, vi, sed, gawk, and much more. Everything that system administrators, developers, and power users need to know about Linux is referenced here, and they will turn to this book again and again.

A clear and concise introduction and reference for anyone new to the subject of statistics.

By its very nature, Unix is a "power tools" environment. Even beginning Unix users quickly grasp that immense power exists in shell programming, aliases and history mechanisms, and various editing tools. Nonetheless, few users ever really master the power available to them with Unix. There is just too much to learn! Unix Power Tools, Third Edition, literally contains thousands of tips, scripts, and techniques that make using Unix easier, more effective, and even more fun. This book is organized into hundreds of short articles with plenty of references to other sections that keep you flipping from new article to new article. You'll find the book hard to put down as you uncover one interesting tip after another. With the growing popularity of Linux and the advent of Mac OS X, Unix has metamorphosed into something new and exciting. With Unix no longer perceived as a difficult operating system, more and more users are discovering its advantages for the first time. The latest edition of this best-selling favorite is loaded with advice about almost every aspect of Unix, covering all the new technologies that users need to know. In addition to vital information on Linux, Mac OS X, and BSD, Unix Power Tools, Third Edition, now offers more coverage of bcash, zsh, and new shells, along with discussions about modern utilities and applications. Several sections focus on security and Internet access, and there is a new chapter on access to Unix from Windows, addressing the heterogeneous nature of systems today. You'll also find expanded coverage of software installation and packaging, as well as basic information on Perl and Python. The book's accompanying web site provides some of the best software available to Unix users, which you can download and add to your own set of power tools. Whether you are a newcomer or a Unix power user, you'll find yourself thumbing through the gold mine of information in this new edition of Unix Power Tools to add to your store of knowledge. Want to try something new? Check this book first, and you're sure to find a tip or trick that will prevent you from learning things the hard way.

UNIX For Dummies

UNIX and Linux System Administration Handbook

Practical UNIX and Internet Security

UNIX Systems Programming for SVR4

Using C on the UNIX System

Shell scripting skills never go out of style. It's the shell that unlocks the real potential of Unix. Shell scripting is essential for Unix users and system administrators—a way to quickly harness and customize the full power of any Unix system. With shell scripts, you can combine the fundamental Unix text and file processing commands to crunch data and automate repetitive tasks. But beneath this simple promise lies a treacherous ocean of variations in Unix commands and standards. Classic Shell Scripting is written to help you reliably navigate these tricky waters. Writing shell scripts requires more than just a knowledge of the shell language, it also requires familiarity with the individual Unix programs: why each one is there, how to use them by themselves, and in combination with the other programs. The authors are intimately familiar with the tips and tricks that can be used to create excellent scripts, as well as the traps that can

make your best effort a bad shell script. With *Classic Shell Scripting* you'll avoid hours of wasted effort. You'll learn not only write useful shell scripts, but how to do it properly and portably. The ability to program and customize the shell quickly, reliably, and portably to get the best out of any individual system is an important skill for anyone operating and maintaining Unix or Linux systems. *Classic Shell Scripting* gives you everything you need to master these essential skills.

Everything you need to know about Linux is in this book. Written by Stephen Figgins, Ellen Siever, Robert Love, and Arnold Robbins -- people with years of active participation in the Linux community -- *Linux in a Nutshell, Sixth Edition*, thoroughly covers programming tools, system and network administration tools, the shell, editors, and LILO and GRUB boot loaders. This updated edition offers a tighter focus on Linux system essentials, as well as more coverage of new capabilities such as virtualization, wireless network management, and revision control with git. It also highlights the most important options for using the vast number of Linux commands. You'll find many helpful new tips and techniques in this reference, whether you're new to this operating system or have been using it for years. Get the Linux commands for system administration and network management Use hundreds of the most important shell commands available on Linux Understand the Bash shell command-line interpreter Search and process text with regular expressions Manage your servers via virtualization with Xen and VMware Use the Emacs text editor and development environment, as well as the vi, ex, and vim text-manipulation tools Process text files with the sed editor and the gawk programming language Manage source code with Subversion and git Contains an introduction to the operating system with detailed documentation on commands, utilities, programs, system configuration, and networking.

UNIX For Dummies has been the standard for beginning UNIX references for nearly ten years, and this latest edition continues that tradition of success This unparalleled resource is updated to cover the latest applications of UNIX technology, including Linux and Mac desktops as well as how UNIX works with Microsoft server software Thorough coverage of how to handle UNIX installation, file management, software, utilities, networks, Internet access, and other basic tasks Aimed at the first-time UNIX desktop user growing accustomed to the ins and outs of the OS, as well as the beginning administrator who needs to get a handle on UNIX networking basics Written by John Levine and Margaret Levine Young, longtime UNIX experts and highly experienced For Dummies authors

Berkeley Edition : a Desktop Quick Reference

Linux Basics for Hackers

System V edition, revised and expanded for SVR4 and Solaris 2.0

Securing Solaris, Mac OS X, Linux & Free BSD

a desk top quick reference for Berkley

A guide to the operating system's commands and options covers the shell, package management, text editing, source code management, and GDB debugger.

You may have seen UNIX quick-reference guides, but you've never seen anything like "UNIX in a Nutshell." Not a scaled-down quick reference of common commands, "UNIX in a Nutshell" is a complete reference containing all commands and options, along with generous descriptions and examples that put the commands in context. For all but the thorniest UNIX problems, this one reference should be all the documentation you need. Contents include: All commands and options. Shell syntax ("sh" and "csh"). Pattern-matching syntax. "vi" and "ex" commands. "sed" and "awk" commands. troff requests and escapes. -ms, -mm, and -me macros. "tbl," "eqn," and "pic" syntax. "adb" and "sdb" commands. "make" and "sccs" commands.

Covering the LPI General Linux Exams 101 and 102, this helpful test preparation guidebook offers a detailed summary of each exam, along with hands-on exercises, extensive explanations and review, and practice exams. Original. (Intermediate/Advanced)

This is a desktop reference to SCO UNIX and Open Desktop. It contains commands and options, plus descriptions and examples that put the commands in context.

Communication, Concurrency, and Threads

Using and Managing UUCP

Linux Kernel in a Nutshell

Python in a Nutshell

A Desktop Quick Reference - Covers GNU/Linux, Mac OS X, and Solaris

This complete guide to the Perl programming language ranges widely through the Perl programmer's universe, gathering together in a convenient form a wealth of information about Perl itself and its application to CGI scripts, XML processing, network programming, database interaction, and graphical user interfaces. The book is an ideal reference for experienced Perl programmers and beginners alike. With more than a million dedicated programmers, Perl is proving to be the best language for the latest trends in computing and business, including network programming and the ability to create and manage web sites. It's a language that every Unix system administrator and serious web developer needs to know. In the past few years, Perl has found its way into complex web applications of multinational banks, the U.S. Federal Reserve, and hundreds of large corporations. In this second edition, *Perl in a Nutshell* has been expanded to include coverage of Perl 5.8, with information on Unicode processing in Perl, new functions and modules that have been added to the core language, and up-to-date details on running Perl on the Win32 platform. The book also covers Perl modules for recent technologies such as XML and SOAP. Here are just some of the topics contained in this book: Basic Perl reference Quick reference to built-in functions and standard modules CGI.pm and mod_perl XML::* modules DBI, the database-independent API for Perl Sockets programming LWP, the library for Web programming in Perl Network programming with the Net modules Perl/Tk, the Tk extension to Perl for graphical interfaces Modules for interfacing with Win32 systems As

part of the successful "in a Nutshell" book series from O'Reilly & Associates, *Perl in a Nutshell* is for readers who want a single reference for all their needs. "In a nutshell, Perl is designed to make the easy jobs easy, without making the hard jobs impossible."-- Larry Wall, creator of Perl

Offering a comprehensive introduction to UUCP covers its benefits, Taylor, HoneyDanBer or BNU, and major computer vendor implementations. Original. (Advanced).

Provides the nitty gritty details on how UNIX interacts with applications. Includes many extended examples on topics ranging from string manipulation to network programming

This practical, tutorial-style book uses the Kali Linux distribution to teach Linux basics with a focus on how hackers would use them. Topics include Linux command line basics, filesystems, networking, BASH basics, package management, logging, and the Linux kernel and drivers. If you're getting started along the exciting path of hacking, cybersecurity, and pentesting, *Linux Basics for Hackers* is an excellent first step. Using Kali Linux, an advanced penetration testing distribution of Linux, you'll learn the basics of using the Linux operating system and acquire the tools and techniques you'll need to take control of a Linux environment. First, you'll learn how to install Kali on a virtual machine and get an introduction to basic Linux concepts. Next, you'll tackle broader Linux topics like manipulating text, controlling file and directory permissions, and managing user environment variables. You'll then focus in on foundational hacking concepts like security and anonymity and learn scripting skills with bash and Python. Practical tutorials and exercises throughout will reinforce and test your skills as you learn how to: - Cover your tracks by changing your network information and manipulating the rsyslog logging utility - Write a tool to scan for network connections, and connect and listen to wireless networks - Keep your internet activity stealthy using Tor, proxy servers, VPNs, and encrypted email - Write a bash script to scan open ports for potential targets - Use and abuse services like MySQL, Apache web server, and OpenSSH - Build your own hacking tools, such as a remote video spy camera and a password cracker Hacking is complex, and there is no single way in. Why not start at the beginning with *Linux Basics for Hackers*?

A Concise Guide for the New User

Mac OS X in a Nutshell

LPI Linux Certification in a Nutshell

Statistics in a Nutshell

Complete overview of Mac OS Jaguar (Mac OS X 10.2) including basic system and network administration features, hundreds of tips and tricks, with an overview of Mac OS X's Unix text editors and CVS.

Presents an overview of kernel configuration and building for version 2.6 of the Linux kernel.

LPI Linux Certification in a Nutshell, Second Edition is an invaluable resource for determining what you need to practice to pass the Linux Professional Institute exams. This book will help you determine when you're ready to take the exams, which are technically challenging and designed to reflect the skills that administrators need in real working environments. As more corporations adopt Linux as the networking backbone for their IT systems, the demand for certified technicians will become even greater. Passing the LPI exams will broaden your career options because the LPIC is the most widely known and respected Linux certification program in the world. Linux Journal recognized the LPI as the best Training and Certification Program. The exams were developed by the Linux Professional Institute, an international, volunteer-driven organization with affiliates in a dozen countries. The core LPI exams cover two levels. Level 1 tests a basic knowledge of Linux installation, configuration, and command-line skills. Level 2 goes into much more depth regarding system troubleshooting and network services such as email and the Web. The second edition of *LPI Linux Certification in a Nutshell* is a thoroughly researched reference to these exams. The book is divided into four parts, one for each of the LPI exams. Each part features not only a summary of the core skills you need, but sample exercises and test questions, along with helpful hints to let you focus your energies. Major topics include: GNU and Unix commands Linux installation and package management Devices, filesystems, and kernel configuration Text editing, processing, and printing The X Window System Networking fundamentals and troubleshooting Security, including intrusion detection, SSH, Kerberos, and more DNS, DHCP, file sharing, and other networking infrastructure Email, FTP, and Web services Praise for the first edition: "Although O'Reilly's Nutshell series are intended as 'Desktop Reference' manuals, I have to recommend this one as a good all-round read; not only as a primer for LPI certification, but as an excellent introductory text on GNU/Linux. In all, this is a valuable addition to O'Reilly's already packed stable of Linux titles and I look forward to more from the author."--First Monday

For many users, working in the Unix environment means using vi, a full-screen text editor available on most Unix systems. Even those who know vi often make use of only a small number of its features. Learning the vi Editor is a complete guide to text editing with vi. Topics new to the sixth edition include multi-screen editing and coverage of four vi clones: vim, elvis, nvi, and vile and their enhancements to vi, such as multi-window editing, GUI interfaces, extended regular expressions, and enhancements for programmers. A new appendix describes vi's place in the Unix and Internet cultures. Quickly learn the basics of editing, cursor movement, and global search and replacement. Then take advantage of the more subtle power of vi. Extend your editing skills by learning to use ex, a powerful line editor, from within vi. For easy reference, the sixth edition also includes a command summary at the end of each appropriate chapter. Topics covered include: Basic editing Moving around in a hurry Beyond the basics Greater power with ex Global search and replacement Customizing vi and ex Command shortcuts Introduction to the vi clones' extensions Then vi, elvis, vim, and vile editors Quick reference to vi and ex commands vi and the Internet

Linux in a Nutshell

UNIX in a nutshell

Unix Power Tools

A Desktop Quick Reference

Getting Started with Networking, Scripting, and Security in Kali

A handy book for someone just starting with Unix or Linux, and an ideal primer for Mac and PC users of the Internet who need to know a little about Unix on the systems they visit. The most effective introduction to Unix in print, covering Internet usage for email, file transfers, web browsing, and

many major and minor updates to help the reader navigate the ever-expanding capabilities of the operating system.

O'Reilly's bestselling book on Linux's bash shell is at it again. Now that Linux is an established player both as a server and on the desktop Learning the bash Shell has been updated and refreshed to account for all the latest changes. Indeed, this third edition serves as the most valuable guide yet to the bash shell. As any good programmer knows, the first thing users of the Linux operating system come face to face with is the shell the UNIX term for a user interface to the system. In other words, it's what lets you communicate with the computer via the keyboard and display. Mastering the bash shell might sound fairly simple but it isn't. In truth, there are many complexities that need careful explanation, which is just what Learning the bash Shell provides. If you are new to shell programming, the book provides an excellent introduction, covering everything from the most basic to the most advanced features. And if you've been writing shell scripts for years, it offers a great way to find out what the new shell offers. Learning the bash Shell is also full of practical examples of shell commands and programs that will make everyday use of Linux that much easier. With this book, programmers will learn: How to install bash as your login shell The basics of interactive shell use, including UNIX file and directory structures, standard I/O, and background jobs Command line editing, history substitution, and key bindings How to customize your shell environment without programming The nuts and bolts of basic shell programming, flow control structures, command-line options and typed variables Process handling, from job control to processes, coroutines and subshells Debugging techniques, such as trace and verbose modes Techniques for implementing system-wide shell customization and features related to system security

When Practical Unix Security was first published more than a decade ago, it became an instant classic. Crammed with information about host security, it saved many a Unix system administrator from disaster. The second edition added much-needed Internet security coverage and doubled the size of the original volume. The third edition is a comprehensive update of this very popular book - a companion for the Unix/Linux system administrator who needs to secure his or her organization's system, networks, and web presence in an increasingly hostile world. Focusing on the four most popular Unix variants today--Solaris, Mac OS X, Linux, and FreeBSD--this book contains new information on PAM (Pluggable Authentication Modules), LDAP, SMB/Samba, anti-theft technologies, embedded systems, wireless and laptop issues, forensics, intrusion detection, chroot jails, telephone scanners and firewalls, virtual and cryptographic filesystems, WebNFS, kernel security levels, outsourcing, legal issues, new Internet protocols and cryptographic algorithms, and much more. Practical Unix & Internet Security consists of six parts: Computer security basics: introduction to security problems and solutions, Unix history and lineage, and the importance of security policies as a basic element of system security. Security building blocks: fundamentals of Unix passwords, users, groups, the Unix filesystem, cryptography, physical security, and personnel security. Network security: a detailed look at modem and dialup security, TCP/IP, securing individual network services, Sun's RPC, various host and network authentication systems (e.g., NIS, NIS+, and Kerberos), NFS and other filesystems, and the importance of secure programming. Secure operations: keeping up to date in today's changing security world, backups, defending against attacks, performing integrity management, and auditing. Handling security incidents: discovering a break-in, dealing with programmed threats and denial of service attacks, and legal aspects of computer security. Appendixes: a comprehensive security checklist and a detailed bibliography of paper and electronic references for further reading and research. Packed with 1000 pages of helpful text, scripts, checklists, tips, and warnings, this third edition remains the definitive reference for Unix administrators and anyone who cares about protecting their systems and data from today's threats.

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Unix in a Nutshell

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Learning the Vi Editor

Learning the Unix Operating System

UNIX in a Nutshell

There's nothing that hard-core Unix and Linux users are more fanatical about than their text editor. Editors are the subject of adoration or of scorn and ridicule, depending upon whether the topic of discussion is your editor or someone else's. vi has been the standard editor for years. Popular on Unix and Linux, it has a growing following on Windows systems, too. Most experienced system administrators cite vi as their first choice. And since 1986, this book has been the guide for vi. However, Unix systems are not what they were 30 years ago, and neither is vi. Retaining all the valuable features of previous editions, the 7th edition of Learning the vi and vim Editors has been expanded to include information on vim, the leading vi clone. vim is the default version of vi on most Linux systems and on Mac OS X, and is available for many other operating systems too. With this guide, you learn text editing basics and advanced tools for both editors, such as multi-window editing, interactive macros and scripts to extend the editor, and power tools for programmers -- all in the easy-to-follow style that has made Learning the vi and vim Editors a classic. Learning the vi and vim Editors includes: A complete introduction to text editing with vi: How to move around vi in a hurry Beyond the basics: using buffers vi's global search and replacement Advanced editing, including customizing vi and executing Unix commands How to make full use of vim: Extended text objects and more powerful regular expressions Multi-window editing and powerful vim scripts How to make full use of the latest version of vim, called gvim vim's enhancements for programmers, such as syntax highlighting, folding and extended tags Coverage of three popular vi clones -- nvi, elvis, and vile -- is also included. You'll find several valuable appendixes, including an alphabetical quick reference and ex mode commands for regular vi and for vim, plus an updated appendix on vi and the Internet. Learning either vi or vim is required if you use Linux or Unix, and in either case, reading this book is essential. After reading this book, the choice of editor will be obvious for you. UNIX Systems Programming Perl in a Nutshell