

Processes and Job Control

What You Will Learn

- List running processes.
- Foreground vs background processes.
- Launch background processes.
- Kill processes.

Listing Processes and Information

`ps` Display process status.

ps Options

- e Everything, all processes.
- f Full format listing.
- u `username` Display `username`'s processes.
- p `pid` Display information for PID.

Common `ps` Commands

<code>ps -e</code>	Display all processes.
<code>ps -ef</code>	Display all processes, full.
<code>ps -eH</code>	Display a process tree.
<code>ps -e --forest</code>	Display a process tree.
<code>ps -u username</code>	Display user's processes.

Other ways to view processes

`ps tree` Display processes in a tree format.

`top` Interactive process viewer.

`htop` Interactive process viewer.

Background and Foreground Processes

- `command &` Start command in background.
- `Ctrl-c` Kill the foreground process.
- `Ctrl-z` Suspend the foreground process.

Background and Foreground Processes

<code>bg</code>	<code>[%num]</code>	Background a suspended process.
<code>fg</code>	<code>[%num]</code>	Foreground a background process.
<code>kill</code>		Kill a process by job number or PID.
<code>jobs</code>	<code>[%num]</code>	List jobs.

Killing Processes

`Ctrl-c`

Kills the foreground proc.

`kill [-sig] pid`

Send a signal to a process.

`kill -l`

Display a list of signals.

`kill 123`

`kill -15 123`

`kill -TERM 123`

`kill -9 123`

Summary

- `ps`
- `Ctrl-c`
- `Ctrl-Z`
- `bg`
- `fg`
- `jobs`
- `kill`