Introduction to AIX

Duration

3 days.

Participants

Technical and non-technical personnel, including technical managers, programmers, system and network administrators.

Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course you will be able to:

- Organize and protect your own file and directory structure.
- Create and modify files using the vi editor.
- Select lines from files using the grep command and RE metacharacters.
- Direct file input and output from/ to the proper file or process using redirection and pipes.
- Control the execution of foreground and background jobs
- Use shell command line features such as filename generation wildcards to perform work in an efficient manner.
- Tailor the interactive environment by using aliases and variables established in .profile and the ksh ENV file.

Overview

This course provides a detailed introduction to AIX. It is designed for those who need a robust understanding of AIX.

Prerequisites

None.

Format

Lecture and discussion (50%) with hands-on exercises (50%).

Topic Outline

Introductory Concepts and Simple Commands

Login and logoff, passwd, ignoreeof

Command line format Interrupt characters

Metacharacters and backslash, single and double quotes

date, who, echo, ls, banner, cal, man

File System

File system structure

Types of AIX files: ordinary, special, directory, links

Full and relative pathnames pwd, ls options -lpadiR, cd

HOME directory

File permission modes, chmod, umask

mkdir, rmdir, rm, mv, cp

Introduction to AIX (continued)

Topic Outline

File Processing Commands

cat, more, nl, wc, grep, sort, cut, tr

vi Editor

Re Metacharacters with grep

Shell Features Requested on the Command Line

Redirection of standard input, standard output,
and standard error

Pipelines

Process and job control: ps, jobs, kill, wait, nohup, sleep,
fg, and bg

Filename generation wildcards with * ? [] [!] and dot files

Shell Environment

Environment variables: HOME, PATH, LOGNAME, USER, PS1, PS2 set and env .profile and the ksh ENV file

Korn Shell Features

Command history, editing, and re-execution Options such as ignoreeof and vi Aliases