

0. Introduction

- We have seen the basement foundations of a UNIX system
 - history
 - philosophy
 - architecture
 - kernel
- We have seen system calls
 - entry points for programs and applications to the UNIX kernel
- We will now move one level higher to study UNIX commands from the
 - advanced user point of view. More admin. commands and topics
 - will be studied next year.

1. Moving into directories

- cd
- cd .
- cd ..
- cd ~user
- cd into symlinks [depends on the shell/command interpreter]
- Explain why cd cannot be a process (although /usr/bin/cd exists)

2. Listing files

- ls
 - ls is often an alias in shell/command interpreter
 - cd
 - alias
 - /bin/ls
 - the real unix command
- ls -l
- ls -s
- ls -d
- ls -s | more -c (note different output - ls use isatty())
- ls -a
- ls -a .??*
- ls -lad .??*
- ls -lt
- ls -lu
- ls -lS
- ls -rtl
- ls -rIS
- ls -rIS -h
- ls -rIS -si (--s not on MacOSX)
- man ls

3. File times

- `ls -l --time=use,ctime`
 - involved system call: `stat` structure (man 2 `stat`)
 - `stat()`
 - `lstat()`
 - `fstat()`
- file times
 - access time read data
 - modified time write data
 - change time inode change

4. Moving/Copying file

- `mv`
 - inode change if changing fs
- `cp`
 - `cp -p` (preserve perm/time - useful for config backup)
 - `cp -r`
 - `cp -i`
 - Ask confirmation before overwriting

5. User and group ownership

- `/etc/passwd`, `/etc/group`
 - uid, gid, gecos
- `/etc/shadow`, `/etc/gshadow`
- `useradd`, `groupadd`
- `chown`
- `chgrp`
- user & group at the same time... `user:group`

6. File types and protection

- file types
 - directory, regular, symbolic link, named pipes
 - sockets (unix domain), block/character devices
- file protection modes
- special bits
 - `setuid` for executables
 - `setgid` for directories
 - sticky bit for files
 - sticky bit for directories
- special cases
 - `rwx` for directories

7. Devices files (ne fait plus partie de la matière)

- `ls -l /dev` directory --> Special files
- Rubini figure 1-1
- Each hardware piece has a software component
- The software component is a device driver
- Devices drivers are connected to an array (index = major number)
 - Minor number identifies sub-devices
- Special files are entry points to connect user procs to devices
- Piece of software (dev. driver) is:
 - statically compiled in the kernel
 - dynamically loaded in the kernel
- `lsmod`, `insmod`, `rmmod`
- Real devices
 - `/dev/audio`, `/dev/dsp`, `/dev/sdax`, `/dev/hdax`, ...
- Pseudo devices
 - `/dev/null`, `/dev/zero`, `/dev/random`, ...
- Some oddities ... network devices not in the filesystem space
- Connections/Relations between device drivers
- e.g. usb disk -> `/dev/sda`