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Notes 2: The Linux FS

- Presentation [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vRzipHAUV4x_mqsbAiiAwTtIGZcXMauEIOUfiBySC4sPr0gszaQmebawSQaj0r2gClv4r2Dam-fgT4/pub? start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000#slide=id.g1895a62f903_0_6]
- Article [https://cis106.com/extra/thelinuxfs/]

Each Command for Navigating the File System

- pwd command pwd used for displaying the current working directory
- cd command cd used for changing the current working directory.
 - example cd ~/Downloads cd /home/\$USER/Documents cd ../
- Is command 1s used for cdisplaying all the files inside a given directory
 - Example ls -a ls -a ~Pictures ls -t ~/Documents la -r ~/Documents

Define the following terms

File system -The way files are stored and organized

pathname - Indicated the location of the file in the filesystem (like an address).

Absolute path - The location of a file starting a root of the file system.

Relative path - The location of a file starting from the current working directory or a directory that is located inside the current working directory.

The difference between your home directory and the home directory - My home directory is my own personal directory where all my files are located. A home directory is the parent directory where all the users home directory are.

Parent directory- A directory containing one or more directories and files

Child directory - Is a directory inside another directory

Bash special characters

- * `\$USER` stores the current's user username
- * `\$HOME` stores the absolute path of the current user home directory
- * `\$PWD` stores the absolute path of the present working directory
- * `\$OLDPWD` stores the absolute path of the previous current working direcotry.

environment variables - stores vaules of a user's environment and can be used in commands in the shell

user defined variables - A variable is a place to store data, its like a

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box with a label. For example, if you have a lot of pens in your desk and you place them in a box a label it pens, now the box stores your pens.

Why do we need use \$ with variables in bash shell scripting? - We need to use it to be able to access the value stored in a variable