System shells



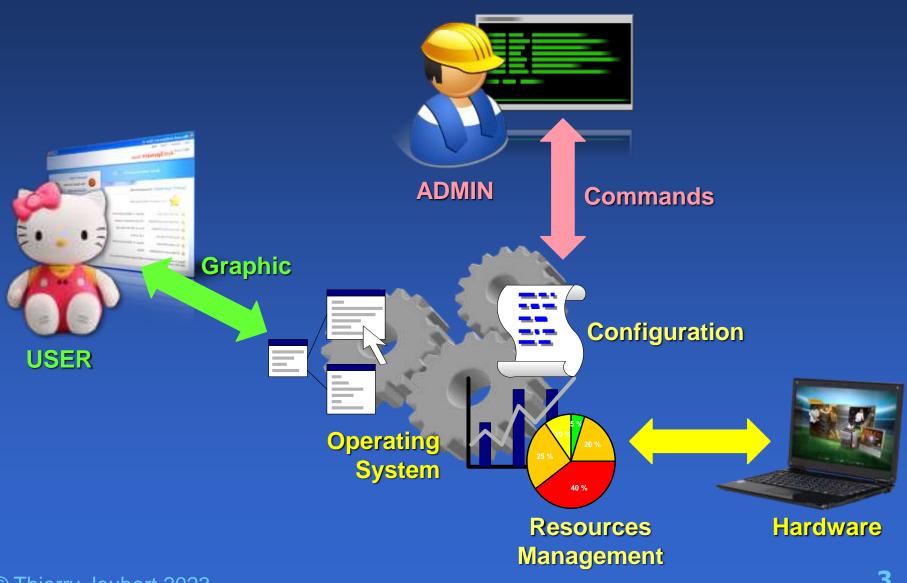
BAT syntax - 1



Introduction Command Line tools

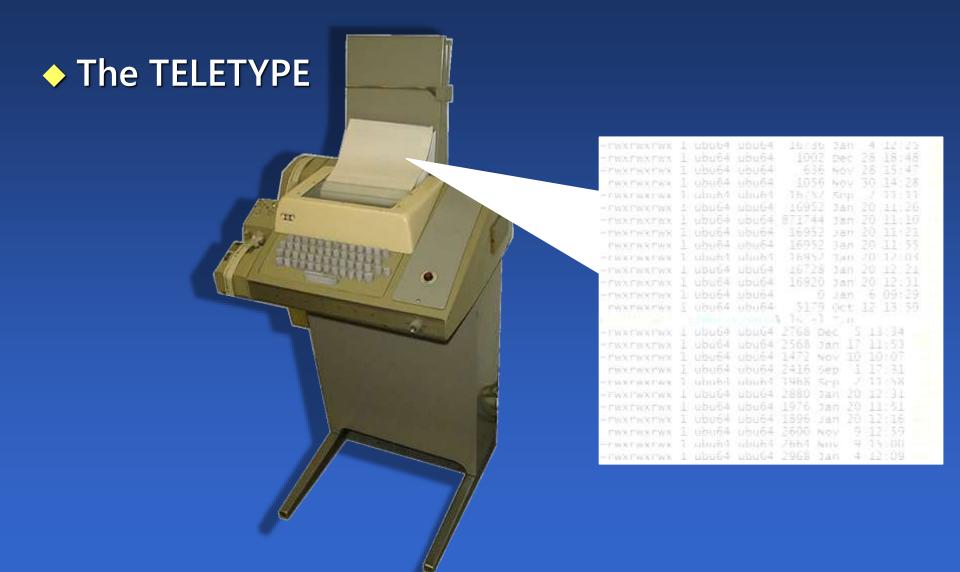
BAT, SH etc

OS usage vs control



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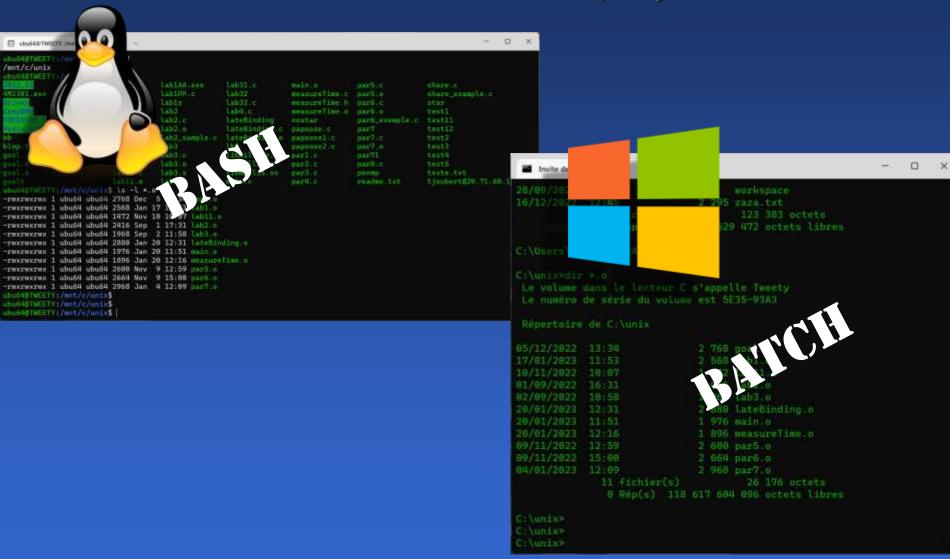
Original user interface



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Modern TELETYPE

The Command Line Interface (CLI)



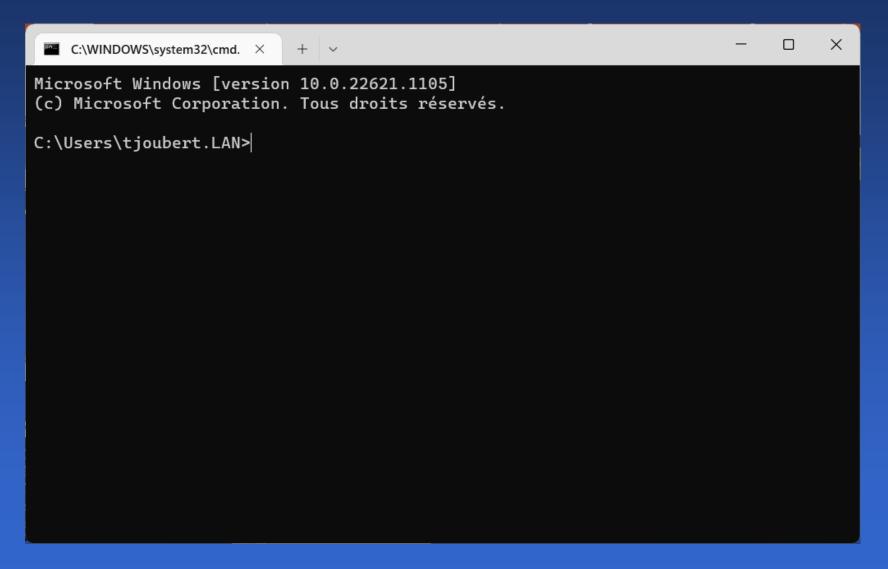


1 - BATCH CMD

CD, MKDIR, DEL.

BATCH Command line

+ R CMD.EXE



BATCH CLI

- Inherited from DOS (!Unix)
 - Not case sensitive

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foo.exe ~ FOO.EXE ~ Foo.exe
DiR ~ DIR ~ dir
```

- Volume letter prefix (C:, D: etc.)
- Separator symbol = \
- Windows evolutions
 - Long file names (beware " ") "a long name"
 - Standard extensions .JPEG .HTML



Windows naming limitations

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/win32/fileio/naming-a-file

Use any character in the current code page for a name, including Unicode characters and characters in the extended character set (128-255), except for $<>:"/\|?*$

- < (less than)
- > (greater than)
- : (colon)
- " (double quote)
- / (forward slash)
- (backslash)
- (vertical bar or pipe)
- ? (question mark)
- * (asterisk)

Do not use the following reserved names for the name of a file:

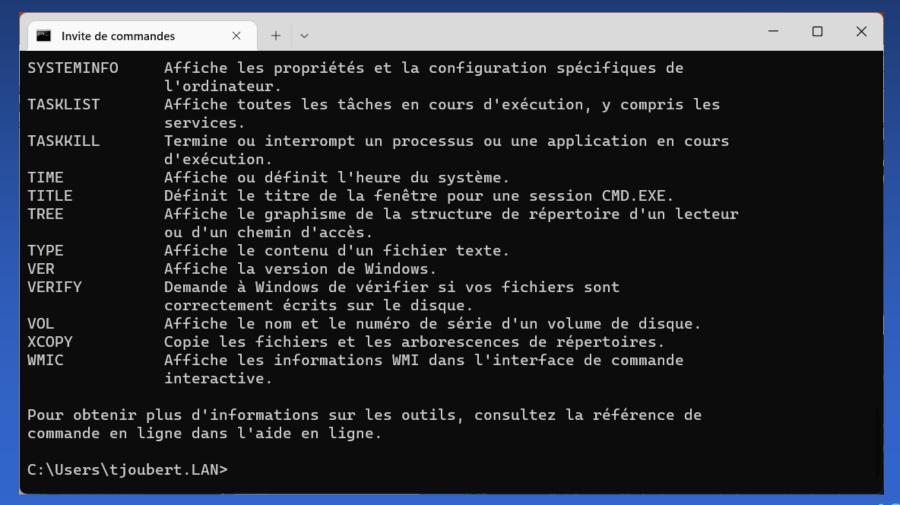
CON, PRN, AUX, NUL, COM1, COM2, COM3, COM4, COM5, COM6, COM7, COM8, COM9
LPT1, LPT2, LPT3, LPT4, LPT5, LPT6, LPT7, LPT8, LPT9.

Also avoid these names followed immediately by an extension; for example, NUL.txt is not recommended.

Do not end a file or directory name with a space or a period. Although the underlying file system may support such names, the Windows shell and user interface does not. However, it is acceptable to specify a period as the first character of a name. For example, ".temp".

CMD commands list

◆ Type HELP



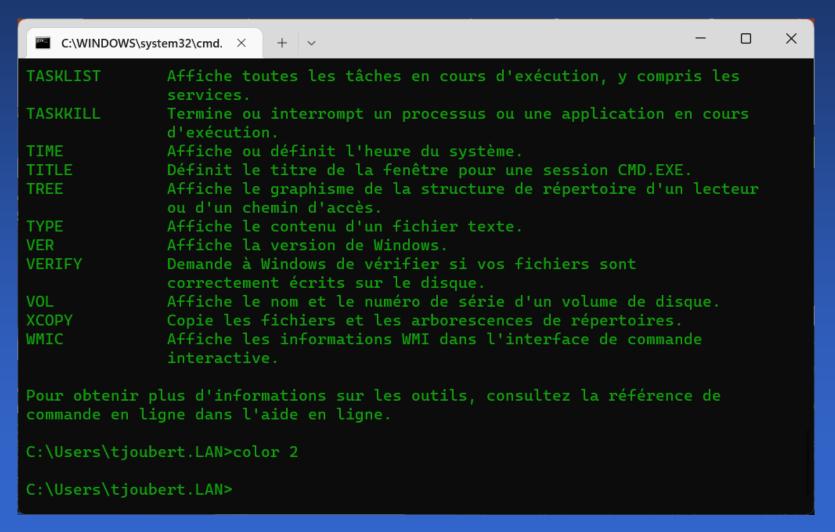
Never lost

◆ Type HELP COLOR

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X
Invite de commandes - help ( ×
C:\Users\tjoubert.LAN\Desktop>help color
Change les couleurs par défaut du premier plan et de l'arrière-plan de la console.
COLOR [attr]
        Spécifie les attributs de couleurs de l'apparence de la console
attr
Les attributs de couleurs sont spécifiés par DEUX chiffres hexadécimaux -- le
premier correspond à l'arrière-plan, le second au premier plan. Chaque chiffre
peut prendre n'importe quelle de ces valeurs :
   0 = Noir
                   8 = Gris
   1 = Bleu
                   9 = Bleu clair
   2 = Vert
                   A = Vert clair
   3 = Bleu-gris
                        B = Cyan
               C = Rouge clair
   4 = Rouge
   5 = Violet D = Violet clair
                E = Jaune clair
   6 = Jaune
   7 = Blanc
                   F = Blanc brillant
Si aucun argument n'est donné, cette commande restaure les couleurs
sélectionnées au moment où CMD.EXE a été ouvert. Cette valeur vient soit de la
Appuyez sur une touche pour continuer...
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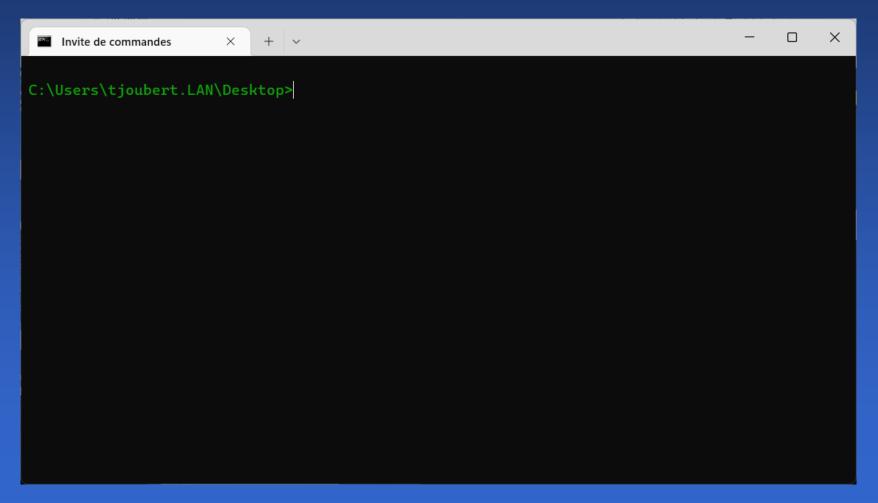
Choose your colors

◆ Type COLOR 2



Clear the screen

◆ Type CLS



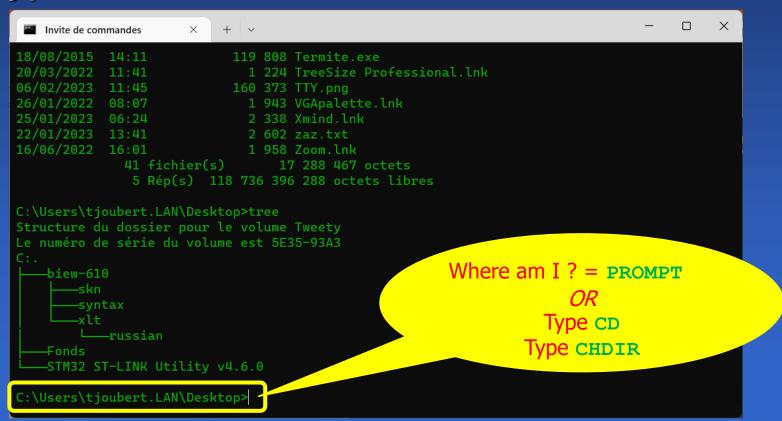
Folder content

◆ Type DIR

```
X
 Invite de commandes
                      \times
                           + ~
                                    Music
24/01/2023
            18:13
                     <DIR>
03/10/2020 13:51
                     <DIR>
                                    OneDrive
04/02/2023 08:53
                     <DIR>
                                    OneDrive - THEORIS
21/10/2020 10:39
                     <DIR>
                                    Pictures
18/10/2021 17:08
                                  0 pmd-eclipse.log
                                129 procs.vbs
16/12/2022 08:31
                                    rust-learning
20/04/2021 07:52
                     <DIR>
24/01/2023 18:13
                     <DIR>
                                    Saved Games
16/12/2022 12:45
                                 16 script1.BAT
24/01/2023 18:13
                     <DIR>
                                    Searches
                     <DIR>
26/10/2020 11:16
                                    source
22/04/2022 16:50
                     <DIR>
                                    STM32Cube
10/02/2022 16:56
                     <DIR>
                                    STM32CubeIDE
                                    STMicroelectronics
23/04/2022 11:25
                     <DIR>
22/01/2023 14:25
                             19 325 tree.txt
01/02/2023 11:32
                     <DIR>
                                    Videos
17/01/2023 11:49
                     <DIR>
                                    VirtualBox VMs
28/09/2022 15:38
                     <DIR>
                                    workspace
16/12/2022 12:45
                              2 295 zaza.txt
               8 fichier(s)
                                     123 383 octets
              42 Rép(s) 118 737 301 504 octets libres
C:\Users\tjoubert.LAN>
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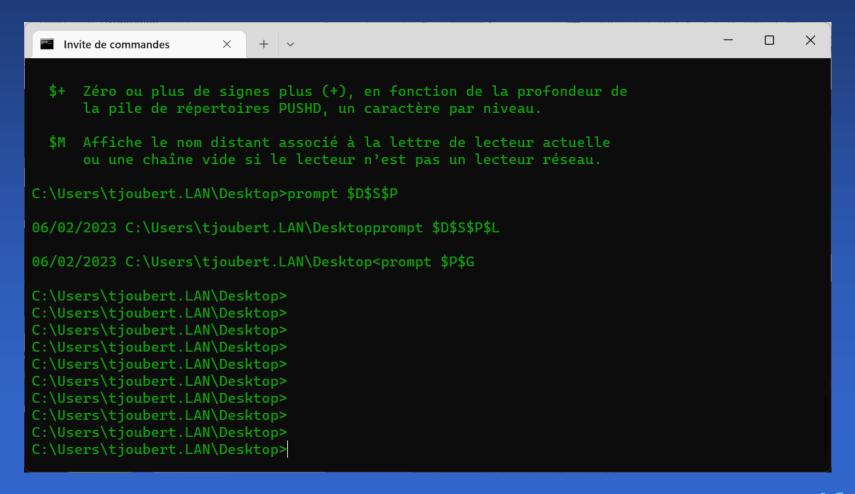
Navigate the File system

- ◆ Type CD Desktop
- ◆ Type DIR
- ◆ Type TREE



My prompt

- ◆ Type HELP PROMP
- ◆ Type PROMPT \$D\$S\$P



Instantiate FOLDERS

- ◆ Type MKDIR folder1
 - Create a new sub-folder
- ◆ Type MD folder2
 - Does exactly the same
- ◆ Type MD AA\BB\CC\DD
 - Will create the whole hierarchy

Remove FOLDERS

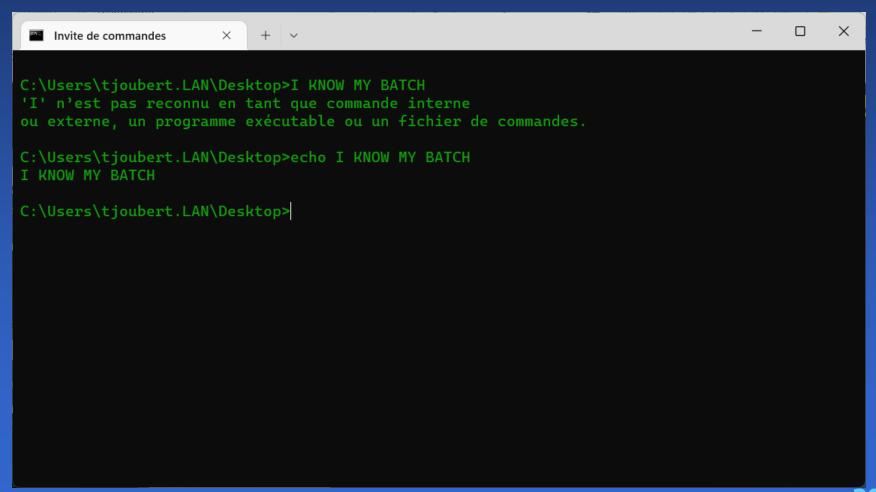
- ◆ Type RMDIR folder1
 - Deletes the sub-folder if it is EMPTY
- ◆ Type RD folder2
 - Does exactly the same
- ◆ Type RD /S folder1
 - Will delete files in folder1 (including sub-folders)
 - Ask for confirmation unless you include /Q

Special folder names

- Type DIR
 - Shows "." And "... " Folders
 - Is the folder I am in
 - Is the parent folder of .
- ◆ Type CD ..\..
 - Brings you two steps back
 - Can be used in any command
 - Can be used in any path . . \ . . \folder\ . .

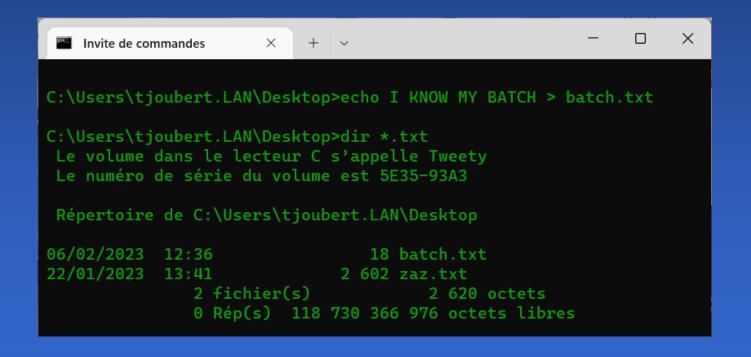
BATCH is talking

◆ Type echo I KNOW MY BATCH



Create a text file with ">"

- ◆ Type echo I KNOW MY BATCH > batch.txt
- ◆ Type dir *.txt



Visualize a text file

◆ Type TYPE batch.txt

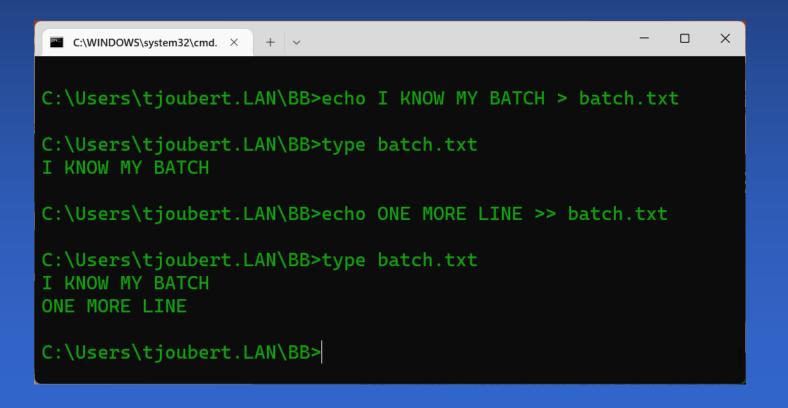
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C:\Users\tjoubert.LAN\Desktop>type batch.txt
I KNOW MY BATCH
C:\Users\tjoubert.LAN\Desktop>
```

- ◆ Type TYPE batch.txt batch.txt > bb.txt
 - Accept several file names as arguments
 - Will serialize the content of each file

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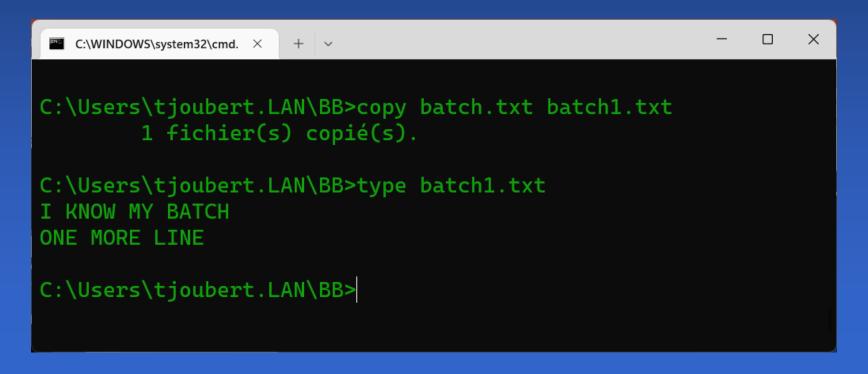
Append text to a file with ">>"

- ◆ Type echo ONE MORE LINE >> batch.txt
- ◆ Type TYPE batch.txt



Make a copy of a file

- ◆ Type COPY batch.txt batch1.txt
- ◆ Type TYPE batch1.txt



Change the name of a file

- ◆ Type RENAME batch.txt batch0.txt
 - The file has a new name
- ◆ Type REN batch1.txt batch2.txt
 - Does exactly the same
- The file stays in place and its content does not change

Transport a file

- ◆ Type MOVE batch.txt folder1
 - Note second argument is a folder
 - If only one file is moved, it may be renamed by giving a file name in the second argument
- ◆ Type DIR folder1

```
Répertoire de C:\Users\tjoubert.LAN\BB\folder1

10/02/2023 08:09 <DIR> .
10/02/2023 08:09 <DIR> ..
10/02/2023 07:48 8 batch.txt
```

A character for all ... or nothing

- Character with a special meaning
 - * = Zero or any number of any letters
- ◆ Type DIR ba*
 - Displays all files starting with « ba »

```
Répertoire de C:\Users\tjoubert.LAN\BB

09/02/2023 11:54 34 batch.txt

09/02/2023 11:54 34 batch1.txt
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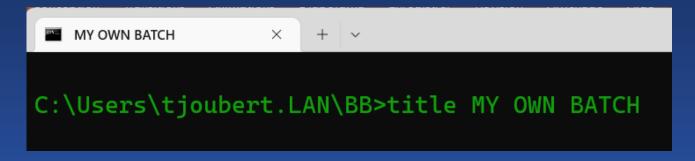
- ◆ Type MOVE batch*.txt folder1
- ◆ Type COPY folder1/ba* folder2
- ◆ Type TYPE ba*.txt > bigbat.txt

Delete files

- ◆ Type DEL batch1.txt
 - File is deleted if it exists
- ◆ Type DEL /Y batch1.txt
 - Will ask for confirmation
- ◆ Type ERASE batch.txt
 - Same command as DEL
- ◆ Type DEL ba*.txt
 - BEWARE!! BATCH has no UNDO (better use /Y)

Misc. commands

◆ Type TITLE MY OWN BATCH



- ◆ Type VER Version of the OS
- ◆ Type SYSTEMINFO System & Hardware desc.
- ◆ Type VOL Current volume (visible partition)
- ◆ Type **EXIT** Terminates CMD
- ◆ Type SHUTDOWN Will power down the PC

Control the scroll

- ◆ Type HELP | MORE Shows one screen at a time
 - **<ENTER>** scrolls one (more) line
 - **<SPACE>** scrolls one (more) screen
- ◆ Type HELP > bathlp.txt
- ◆ Type MORE < bathlp.txt</p>
 - Does the same for big text files
- ◆ Type TYPE bathlp.txt | MORE
 - Does the same
- ◆ Type "o" to stop MORE

Command utility

- ◆ Type DOSKEY /HISTORY
 - History of commands
- Re-use commands
 - **UP/DOWN>** keys
 - <alt-F7> will clean the history
 - **<F7>** will give a view of commands

```
nom_de_macro
                       Spécifie un nom pour une macro que vous
texte
              27: dir batch[0-9].txt
eches HAUT/BAS 28: dir
                                                             ign
affiche l'his 29: dir batch*.txt
recherche dan 30: del ba*.txt
                                                             son
+F10 efface 1 31: dir
              32: cat HELLO batch.txt
 codes specia 33: echo HELLO batch.txt
                                                             05
    Séparateu 34: copy batch.txt batch1.txt
                                                            ans
   Parametre 35: echo HELLO > batch.txt
                                                            de
    Équivaut
              36: copy batch.txt batch1.txt
                                                            ne
              37: dir
Users tjouber 38: del ba*.txt
                                                             txt
               39: dir
Users tjouber 40: help doskey
```

Special characters

- ◆ Remember: < > : " / \ | ? *
 - Consumed by CMD
 - Used for NAME separation or redirection or expansion
- ♦ Meet: , ; & && | | ^ ()
 - Consumed by Commands
 - Used for COMMAND parameters or sequence or group
 - parameter separators

 - → set & | ^<> () back to character
 - ^ 'eat" the following <EOL>
 - → multi-line command(s)

Parameter separators

- ◆ Type md AA,BB;CC DD
 - Will create folders AA, BB, CC and DD
 - Work with commands accepting parameters
- ◆ Type rd AA,BB;CC DD
 - Will remove folders
- → Type md "AA, BB; CC DD"
 - No interpretation inside " "
 - Creates folder with long name AA, BB; CC DD

Multiple commands

- ◆ Type echo AA & echo BB
 - Character "&" is a BATCH command separator
 - Type md CC/C & MD DD → fails because first fails
- ◆ Type md CC/C && md DD
 - Keyword "&&" is a BATCH command separator
 - Will only execute 2nd command on <u>success</u> of 1rst
- ◆ Type md CC/C || md DD

 - Will only execute 2nd command on <u>failure</u> of 1rst

Commands on multiple lines

- ◆ Type (md AA
 - Will not execute command
 - Asks for more commands until we type
 - May be nested
- To split a command on multiple lines
 - Escape final <EOL> with ^
 - Type (md ^ ← beware the space separator
 - Type AA, ^
 - Type **BB^**
 - Type cc) ← beware the space separator