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Notice

This doesn't include C++ notes.

1 About Linux

Linux is important because:

- 1. Open-source software, can edit however we want.
- 2. A lot of software development tools are available, software development is easier.
- 3. Linux is free

1.1 Access school Linux (ubuntu)

Access the HKU CS server's Ubuntu Linux system to try out system commands by running the following commands on your computer: q Terminal \rightarrow ssh cs_account@gatekeeper.cs.hku.hk \rightarrow ssh cs_account@academy21.cs.hku

2 System commands

Compiling C++ programs

Use the command g++ <input.cpp> -o <output> to compile the input script into the output executable (extensionless).

2.1 Basic file management

Command	Meaning
pwd	\mathbf{p} rint \mathbf{w} orking \mathbf{d} irectory
ls (-la)	list
cd <dir></dir>	\mathbf{c} hange \mathbf{d} irectory
mv <dir> <dir2></dir2></dir>	\mathbf{move}
cp (-r) <file dir=""> <file2 dir2=""></file2></file>	\mathbf{copy}
rm (-rf) <dir></dir>	\mathbf{rem} ove
mkdir <name></name>	$\mathbf{makedir}$ ectory
rmdir <dir></dir>	removedirectory (empty only)
touch <file></file>	New file in .
cat <file></file>	Show file content

Meaning
Home
Current
Back

- The flag -r means to recursively execute, which the children of the directory will be affected as well.
- The flag -f means to forcefully execute.
- The flags -la means to show details and hidden files in output of ls.

2.2 File permissions

The permission string returned by | 1s - 1 | consists of 10 characters: | - - - - - - - - |.

- 1st char represents file type -/d
- 2nd char represents u
- 3rd char represents g
- 4th char represents o

Use the following command to edit permissions: chmod ([u/g/o][+/-/=][rwx]),... <file>

Key	Meaning
-	Not / don't have
d	Directory type
r	Read permission
W	Write permission
x	Execute permission
u	User's permissions
g	Group's permissions
0	Other's permissions
+	Add
-	Remove
=	Set to

2.3 File reading and modification

Command	Description
	Return [lines] [words] [bytes]
wc (-lw) <file></file>	-1 lines only
	-w words only
	Return columns of data
cut -d'', -f #, <file></file>	-d', Delimiter character
	-f #, Fields / columns #numbers array
sort (-t'' -k# -nr) <file></file>	Return sorted data
	-t'' field separator
	-k# Column #number to sort by (starting from 1)
	-n Numeric sort
	-r Reversed sort (big to small)
uniq <file></file>	Return removed adjacent duplicate lines
diff <file> <file2></file2></file>	Return process to transform file to file2

The diff command outputs process, and it can inteperted with the following meaning:

Key	Meaning
a	Add
d	Delete
С	Change
#,[a/d/c]#,	Operate a/d/c line #number from file2 to file line #number
> ''	Line content '' added
< ''	Line content '' removed

2.4 Editing files using vi in the terminal

Command	Description
vi <file></file>	Open file
: w	Save
:q	Exit
:wq	Save and exit
:q!	Exit without saving

After opening a file in vi, the user is in command mode, which they could use the commands starting with : to edit the file. To enter insert mode, press i.

2.5 File IO

We can use the redirection operators to get the input and output of commands:

Key	Meaning
> <file></file>	Save output
> <file></file>	Force overwrite output
>> <file></file>	Append output
< <file></file>	Get input from
2>/2>>	Save / append error
<cmd> <cmd2></cmd2></cmd>	Send cmd output to cmd2 as input (piping)

Note that the commands can be chained. Here's an example: command < fileA > fileB 2>fileC

2.6 Searching

Key	Meaning
find <dir> -name ''</dir>	Find files in dir by matching name
<pre>grep (-e) '<(regex)/text>' <file></file></pre>	Find lines in file matching (regex)/text

2.6.1 Regular Expressions

Regular expressions, also known as regex, are a powerful tool for matching patterns in text. They are used in various programming languages and tools for tasks such as searching and replacing text.

Key	Matches
•	any character except newline
*	0 or more of the preceding token
+	1 or more of the preceding token
?	0 or 1 of the preceding token
[abc]	any character in the set
[^abc]	any character not in the set
(abc)	the pattern abc
{n}	n occurances of the preceding pattern
^	the start of the line
\$	the end of the line

Note: The above keys are some of the most commonly used in regular expressions, but there are many more. The exact syntax and features available can vary between different programming languages and tools.

3 Git version control

3.1 Stage and snapshot commands

Command	Description
git init	Initializes new Git repo
git clone	Clones repo into a new directory
git add .	Adds all file changes in the working directory to the staging area
git commit -m ''	Commit all changes from staging area

We can use the -m '' flag to add a message to the action.

3.2 Branching commands

When we initialise a repo, we are working on a single branch called the **master** branch. The latest commit is usually called **HEAD**.

Branches can be created to allow changes to be made on different parts of a project simultaneously.

Command	Description
git branch Lists all local branches in the current repo	
git branch <name></name>	Make new branch
git merge <branch></branch>	Combines branch history into the current branch
git checkout (-b) <branch></branch>	Switches branches (after creating branch branch)
git log	Shows commit logs

We can also add messages to them: git merge master -m 'Applied changes to master'.

If the branch we're merging from hasn't been modified (up-to-date), the merge is called a fast-forward merge.

3.3 Sharing and updating commands

Remote repositories are versions of your project that are hosted on the Internet or network somewhere.

Command	Description
git remote	Lists all remote repositories for the current repo
git remote add <name> <url></url></name>	Add new remote repo
git push <remote> <branch></branch></remote>	Uploads / update branch to the remote repo.
	force Push even if it results in a non-fast-forward update.
git pull <remote> <branch></branch></remote>	Downloads / update branch from the remote repo.
	nocommit Don't create new merge commit
git fetch <remote> <branch></branch></remote>	Fetches the branch from the remote repo

4 Shell scripting

A bash shell script has the extension .sh . It is a file containing a series of commands that the shell will execute.

All the scripts should start with #!. It indicates which program should be used to process the shell script.

Command	Description
echo	Print parameters as strings.
	-n No trailing new line in output.

4.1 Basics syntax

Read user input

Use read <varname> to read user input and store it in the variable.

Variables

Define variables with varname=<val>. Use \$varname to access the value of the variable.

Command line arguments

We can pass in arguments to the bash file when we execute it. We can retrieve the variables by \$1, \$2, \$3... and use \$# for number of arguments.

Quotations

Double quotations allows variable substitution, but single quotations doesn't.

```
#!/bin/bash
val="world"
echo "Hellou$val" # Hello world
echo 'Hellou$val' # Hello $val
```

Command substitution

Use \$(<cmd>) or '<cmd>' to substitute the output of the command.

Calculations

Use \$((<expr>)) or let "varname=<exp>" to evaluate the expression.

4.2 String operations

For the \$s string variable:

Operation	Description
\${#s}	Get the length of \$s
\${s: <pos>:<len>}</len></pos>	Extract substring at pos with length len
\${s/ <from>/<to>}</to></from>	Replace the first occurance of matching

4.3 Control flow

4.3.1 Conditional statements

4.3.2 Conditional expressions

We must enclose the strings in double quotations so that comparison can work even if there are spaces in the strings.

Expression	True if
[""]	length ¿ 0
["" = ""]	strings are equal
["" != ""]	strings are not equal
[#n -eq/ne/lt/le/gt/ge #n]	numbers are greater / less (than) ($(not)equal$)
[-e/f/d/s/r/w/x < dir >]	dir exists / is_file / is_dir / readable / writable / executable

4.3.3 For-loops

The for-loop iterates through the list of items and executes the commands in the loop body for each item.

```
#!/bin/bash
# backup.sh
list="'ls_*.cpp'"
for fileName in $list
do
   cp $fileName $fileName.backup
done
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5 C++ YAYYYY