Unix System Programming: The Big Picture

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The Simple Program Model

• There are many sorts of programs; many programs are based on the model below:

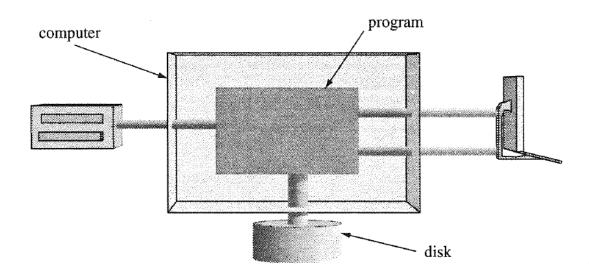


FIGURE 1.1
An application program in a computer.

Typical Program in this Model

```
/* copy from stdin to stdout */
main()
{
  int c;
  while( ( c = getchar() ) != ECF )
     putchar(c);
}
```

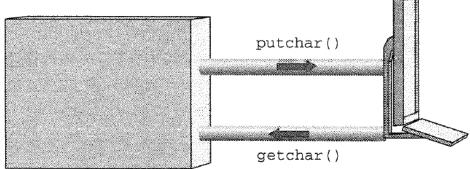


FIGURE 1.2

How application programs see user I/O.

Reality

- Wha if you log into a multiuser system?
 - like a typical Unix machine

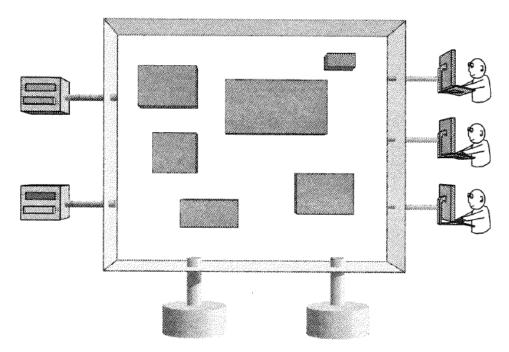


FIGURE 1.3

Reality: many users, programs, and devices.

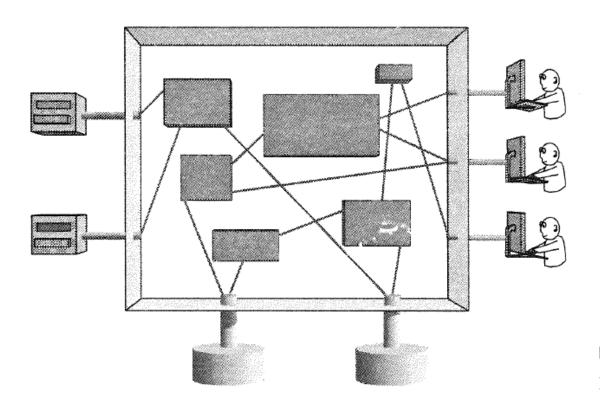


FIGURE 1.4

How are they all connected?

Operating System

- To manage and protect all the resources
- To connect the various devices to the programs

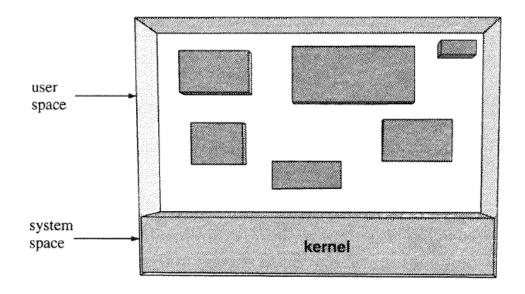


FIGURE 1.5

An operating system is a program.

Providing Services to Programs

- The kernel is the only program with access to devices
 - Programs request services from the OS
 - The OS contains code to provide services

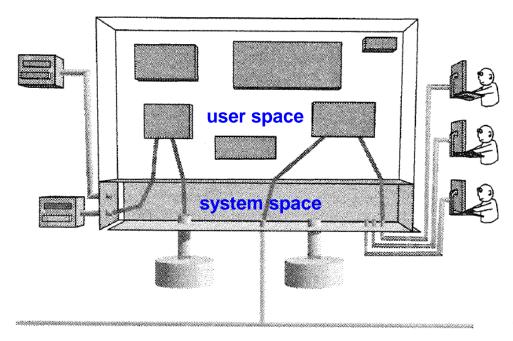


FIGURE 1.6

The kernel manages all connections.

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System Resources

• The services provided by the kernel :

- Processors: ...
- Input / Output: ...
- Process management: ...
- Memory: ...
- Devices: ...
- Timers: ...
- Inter-process communication: ...
- Networking: ...

Understanding Systems Programming

- Understanding how the kernel works and how to write programs that use these services
 - What are the details of each type of the kernel service?
 - How does data get from a device to the program and back?
- System programs use those services directly
 - Also known as system utilities
 - Provide a convenient environment for program development and execution

Our Method: Three Simple Steps

- We shall learn about *Unix services* by
 - Looking at "real" programs: Is, cat, grep ...
 - 2. Looking at the **system calls** to invoke the servies : fork(), exec(), open() ...
 - 3. Writing our own version

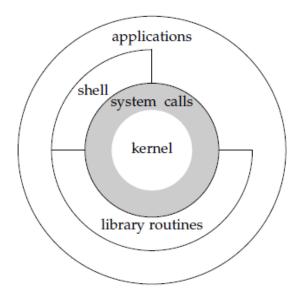


Figure 1.1 Architecture of the UNIX operating system

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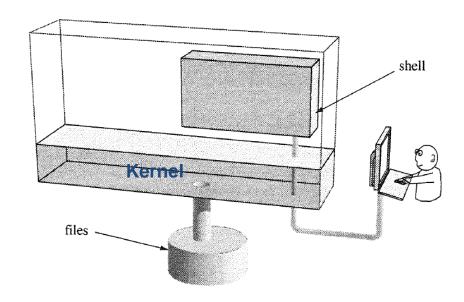
What does Unix do?

- Log In Run Programs Log Out
- Working with Directories
 - mkdir, rmdir, cd, Is
- Working with Files
 - touch, rm, cp, mv

Log In – Run Programs – Log out

How Does That work?

- Login: ...
- Run programs:
- Logout: ...



```
Linux 1.2.13 (maya) (ttyp1)
maya login: betsy
Password: _

$
$ date
Sat Jul 1 21:34:10 EDT 2000
$ _

$ exit
```

FIGURE 1.7

A user logged into a computer.

Working with Directories (1/2)

- Unix organizes files into a tree-structured dir system
- A Tree of Directories :

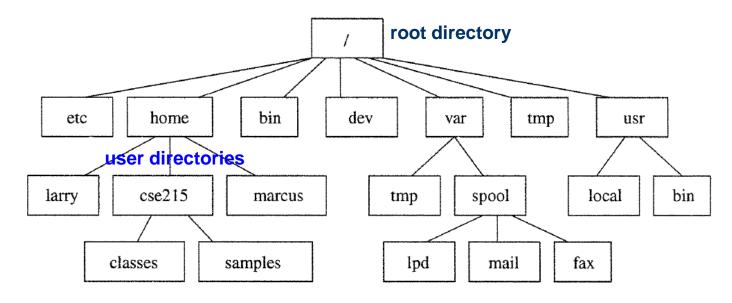


FIGURE 1.8

Part of the directory tree.

Working with Directories (2/2)

Commands for Working with Directories

```
    Is – list directory contents

     $ 1s /etc
     $ ls /

    cd – change to a different directory

     $ cd /bin
     $ cd ..
     $ cd

    pwd – print path to current directory

     $ pwd
  mkdir, rmdir – make and remove directories
     $ cd
     $ mkdir jokes
     $ rmdir jokes
```

Working with Files (1/2)

- Names of Files: up to about 255 characters
- cat, more, less examine file contents

```
$ cat shopping-list
soap
cornflakes
milk
apples
jam
$
$ more longfile
```

• cp – make a copy of a file

```
$ cp shopping-list last.week.list
```

Working with Files (2/2)

rm – delete a file

```
$ rm old.data junk shopping.june1992
```

mv – rename or move a file

```
$ mv prog1.c first_program.c Rename
```

\$ mkdir mycode

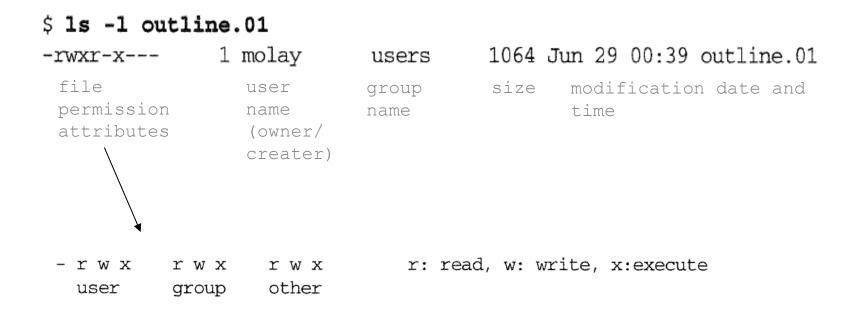
\$ mv first_program.c mycode Move

Ipr, Ip – print file on paper

\$ lpr filename

File Permission Attributes

- To allow users to control access to their files:
 - Unix assigns to each file several attributes
- Is shows attributes of a file:



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Larger Perspective

The larger system is one that consists of

- more than one user,
- more than one program,
- more than one computer, and
- the connections among these people, programs, and computers.

• Ex)

- Internet bridge tournaments
- bc/dc program

Internet Bridge Tournaments

- This bridge example introduces the *three topics* in Unix system programming:
 - Communication: ...
 - Process Coordination: ...
 - Network Access: ...

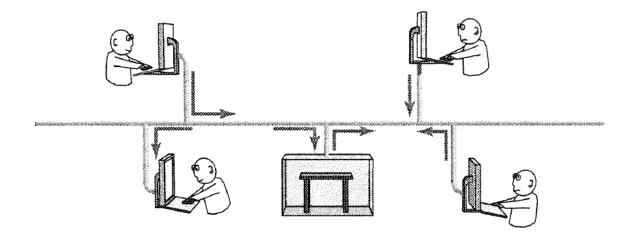
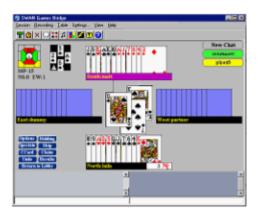


FIGURE 1.11

Separate programs send messages to each other.



Online Bridge

bc Calculator

```
$ bc

2+3*4+5*10

64

999*888

887112

333^44

97173148450073933242567011681978355452978308136572718207376696208658\

8054474264529237756850460517373752303625521

x=3

if (x==3) {

y=x*3;

}

y

9
```

To exit from bc, press Ctrl-D or quit

echo Hello, World! echo "4 * (2 + 3)" | bc echo "This is a test" > test.txt

```
$ bc
2 + 3
5
<-- press Ctrl-Z here
Stopped
$ ps

※ lists the processes you are running

PID
     TTY
                        TIME CMD
25102 ttyp2 T
                     0:00.02 bc
27081 ttyp2 T
                     0:00.01 dc -
27560 ttyp2 I
                     0:00.59 -bash
27681 ttyp2 T
                     0:00.00 bc
$ fg
<-- press Ctrl-D here
```

The **fg** continues a stopped job by running it in the foreground.

DESCRIPTION

dc is an arbitrary precision arithmetic package. Ordinarily it operates on decimal integers, but one may specify an input base, output base, and a number of fractional digits to be maintained. The overall structure of dc is a stacking (reverse Polish) calculator. If an argument is given, input is taken from that file until its end, then from the standard input.

postfix notation

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bc Calculator

- It communicates with a process running dc
 - through a communication system called pipes

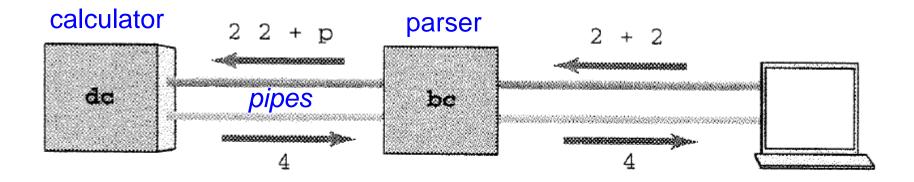


FIGURE 1.12

Programs send messages to each other.

X The GNU version of bc uses an internal stack-based calculator instead of dc.

bc/dc

This bc/dc is another program that involves

- different processes
- some sort of communication
- cooperation

Learning system programming consists of learning

- how to build these separate programs and
- how to build the connections and cooperation.

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"What does more do?" "How does more work?"

It displays a file one screenful at a time \$ more /usr/include/utmp.h

• USAGE:

```
$ more filename
$ command | more
$ more < filename</pre>
```

• Logic

```
+----> show 24 lines from input
| +---> print [more?] message
| | Input Enter, SPACE, or q
| +-- if Enter, advance one line
+---- if SPACE
if q --> exit
```

1st version: more01.c

Compile and run it

```
/* more01.c - version 0.1 of more
       read and print 24 lines then pause for a few special commands
 */
#include
              <stdio.h>
#include
              <stdlib.h>
                                       ./more01 filename
#define PAGELEN 24
#define LINELEN 512
void do_more(FILE *);
int see_more();
int main( int ac , char *av[] )
       FILE *fp;
       if (ac == 1)
               do_more( stdin );
       else
               while ( --ac )
                       if ( (fp = fopen( *++av , "r" )) != NULL )
                               do_more(fp);
                               fclose( fp );
                       else
                               exit(1);
       return 0;
```

```
more01.c - version 0.1 of more
                                                                                              read and print 24 lines then pause for a few special commands
                                                                                    #include <stdio.h>
                                                                                    #include <stdlib.h>
void do_more( FILE *fp )
                                                                                    #define PAGELEN 24
/*
                                                                                    #define LINELEN 512
 * read PAGELEN lines, then call see_more() for further instruction int see_more();
 */
                                                                                    int main( int ac, char *av[] )
                                                                                         FILE *fp;
                                                                                         if(ac == 1)
        char
                  line[LINELEN];
                                                                                              do_more( stdin );
                                                                                         else
                  num_of_lines = 0;
        int
                                                                                              while( --ac )
                                                                                                   if(( fp = fopen( *++av, "r" )) != NULL )
        int
                  see_more(), reply;
                                                                                                         do_more( fp );
                                                                                                         fclose( fp );
        while (fgets(line, LINELEN, fp)){
                                                                   /* more input more?
                  if ( num_of_lines == PAGELEN ) {
                                                                   /* full screen? */
                            reply = see_more();
                                                                   /* y: ask user */
                             if (reply == 0)
                                                                           n: done
                                      break;
                            num_of_lines -= reply;
                                                                   /* reset count
                  if (fputs(line, stdout) == EOF)
                                                                   /* show line
                             exit(1);
                                                                    /* or die
                  num_of_lines++;
                                                                    /* count it
```

```
int see_more()
 *
      print message, wait for response, return # of lines to advance
      q means no, space means yes, CR means one line
       int
               C;
      printf("\033[7m more? \033[m");
                                              /* reverse on a vt100 */
      while( (c=getchar()) != EOF )
                                                     /* get response */
                                                                     */
              if(c == 'a')
                                              /* q -> N
                      return 0;
              if ( c == ' ' )
                                              /* ' ' => next page
                                              /* how many to show
                      return PAGELEN;
              if ( c == '\n' )
                                              /* Enter key => 1 line */
                      return 1;
      return 0;
```

```
7200_40634@Ubuntu-010:~/다운로드$ ./more01 more01.c
 /* more01.c - version 0.1 of more
                 read and print 24 lines then pause for a few special commands
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define PAGELEN 24
#define LINELEN 512
void do_more(FILE *);
int see more();
int main( int ac, char *av[] )
        FILE *fp;
        if(ac == 1)
                 do_more( stdin );
                 while( --ac )
                         if(( fp = fopen( *++av, "r" )) != NULL )
                                 do_more( fp );
fclose( fp );
more?
```

```
+---> show 24 lines from input

| +--> print [more?] message

| | Input Enter, SPACE, or q

| +-- if Enter, advance one line
+--- if SPACE
        if q --> exit
```

1st version: more

Subtle problems:

- If you press the space bar or the "q" key, nothing happens until you press Enter.
- Also, the little "more?" message is still there.

```
7200_40634@Ubuntu-010:~/다운로드$ ./more01 more01.c
 /* more01.c - version 0.1 of more
               read and print 24 lines then pause for a few special commands
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define PAGELEN 24
#define LINELEN 512
void do_more(FILE *);
int see_more();
int main( int ac, char *av[] )
        FILE *fp;
        if(ac == 1)
               do_more( stdin );
               while( --ac )
                       if(( fp = fopen( *++av, "r" )) != NULL )
                               do_more( fp );
                               fclose( fp );
тоге?
```

Using Pipeline

\$ who | more
\$ ls /bin | /more01

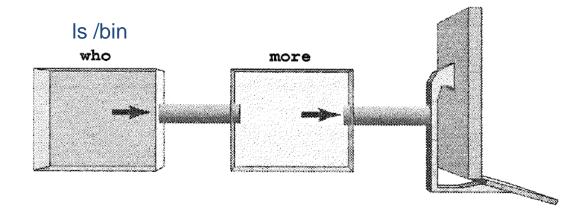


FIGURE 1.14 more reads stdin.

- more01 does not pause after 24 lines;
- Reason? ...

\$ Is /bin | more

\$ Is /bin | ./more01

- How does the real more solve this problem?
 - Read from the keyboard directly!
 - There is a special file, called /dev/tty, which is actually a connection to the keyboard and screen.

\$ Is /bin | more

\$ Is /bin | ./more01

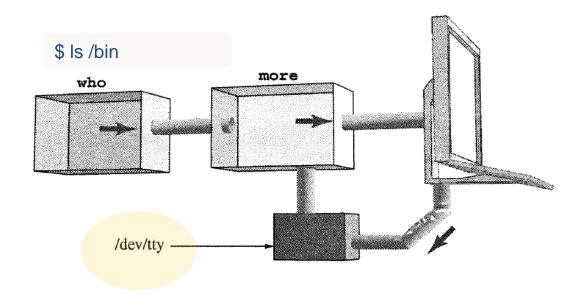


FIGURE 1.15

who reads user input from a terminal.

```
/* more02.c - version 0.2 of more
       read and print 24 lines then pause for a few special commands
       feature of version 0.2: reads from /dev/tty for commands
*/
                <stdio.h> <stdlib.h>
#include
#include
#define PAGELEN 24
#define LINELEN 512
void do_more(FILE *);
int see_more(FILE *);
int main( int ac , char *av[] )
        FILE *fp;
        if (ac == 1)
                do_more( stdin );
        else
                while ( --ac )
                         if ( (fp = fopen( *++av , "r" )) != NULL )
                                  do_more(fp);
                                  fclose(fp);
                         else
                                  exit(1);
        return 0;
```

```
void do_more( FILE *fp )
/*
* read PAGELEN lines, then call see_more() for further instructions
*/
     char
           line[LINELEN];
     int
            num_of_lines = 0;
            see_more(FILE *), reply;
     int
     FILE
           *fp_tty;
     fp_tty = fopen( "/dev/tty", "r" );
                                       /* NEW: cmd stream */
     if (fp_tty == NULL)
                                        /* if open fails */
            exit(1);
                                        /* no use in running*/
     while (fgets(line, LINELEN, fp)){ /* more input */
            if ( num_of_lines == PAGELEN ) {      /* full screen? */
                   reply = see_more(fp_tty); /* NEW: pass FILE * */
                   if (reply == 0)
                                           /* n: done */
                         break;
                   if (fputs(line, stdout) == EOF) /* show line
                   exit(1);
                                           /* or die
                                                         */
            num_of_lines++;
                                            /* count it
                                                         */
```

```
int see_more(FILE *cmd)
                                  /* NEW: accepts arg */
* print message, wait for response, return # of lines to advance
* q means no, space means yes, CR means one line
*/
    int
        C;
    while( (c=getc(cmd)) != EOF )
                                /* NEW: reads from tty */
           if ( c == 'a' )
                                /* q -> N
                                                 */
               return 0;
           return PAGELEN;
                               /* how many to show
           if ( c == '\n' )
                                /* Enter key => 1 line */
                return 1;
    return 0;
```

2nd version: more

Compile and run it

```
$ cc -o more02 more02.c
$ ls /bin | /more02
```

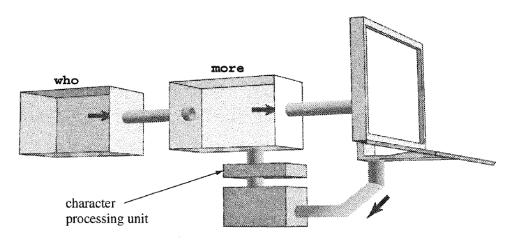


FIGURE 1.16

The connection to the terminal has settings.

```
2007200_40634@Ubuntu-010:~/다운로드$ ls /bin | ./more02
2to3-2.7
GET
HEAD
POST
VGAuthService
X11
Xephyr
Хогд
Xwayland
aa-enabled
aa-exec
aconnect
acpi listen
add-apt-repository
addpart
addr2line
alsabat
alsaloop
alsamixer
alsatplg
alsaucm
amidi
more?
```

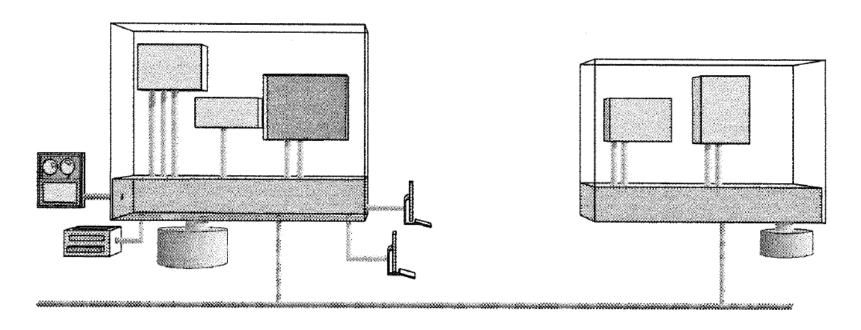


FIGURE 1.17

A diagram of the main structure of a Unix system.

SUMMARY

- Computer systems that run several programs for several users at the same time require a central management program.
- The Unix kernel is a program that schedules programs and controls access to resources.
 - User programs ask the kernel for access to resources.
 - Some Unix programs consist of separate programs that share or exchange data.
- Writing systems programs requires an understanding of the structure and use of kernel services.