

CS 35L Software Construction Laboratory (Lab1-A)
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Course Information:

Course Web: <http://cs.ucla.edu/classes/fall11/cs35L/>
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Prerequisite: CS 31

What is CS35?

This course leads you to train yourself as a professional and efficient software engineer.

In this course, we will cover:

Basic linux commands, vim, emacs, man, shell scripting, python, make, automake, version control (diff, git, svn), gdb, valgrind, and etc.

Grading:

50% homeworks and in-class presentations

10 homeworks, each homeworks contains two parts: 1) Lab 2) Assignment

We will go through the lab in class and leave assignments to you.

The deadline of the 1st homework is Sept 30, 2011 (this Friday!!!).

Lateness penalty: 1 day late: 1%, 2 days late: 2%, 3 days late: 4%, ...

Hour code: you may discuss in form of study group, but no copying from others

50% final exam

Final exam: December 08, 2011 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM, no makeup.

Today's plan:

Introduction to several basic linux commands.

Learning Vim

Walking through part of Lab 1

Wednesday's plan:

Introduction to file attributes

More Linux commands

Learning Emacs

Finishing Lab 1

Unix and Linux:

Read wiki by yourself:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unix>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Linux>

CLI (Command Line Interface) vs GUI (Graphic User Interface)

Steep learning curve

Speed with commands

Low resources usage

Power of scripting

Convenient remote access

Linux File System

- Starts from root

- Tree structured hierarchy

- Command 1: `ls` -- list directory contents

- Command 2: `cd` -- change directory

- Command 3: `pwd` -- print name of current/working directory

Helper Commands:

- Command 4: `man` -- an interface to the on-line reference manuals

- Command 5: `which` -- locate a command

- Command 6: `whereis` -- locate the binary, source, and manual page files for a command

- Sometimes, just try `[command] --help` or `[command] -h`

Command is CLI programs with arguments:

- `man`, `ls`, `cd`, and etc are actually programs, i.e. executable binary files

- `$PATH` environment variable tells the system where to find such programs

- `echo $PATH` -- view the current path

Vim Level 1: Survival

- Command mode and Insert Mode

- `i` switch to insert mode before the current position

- `a` switch to insert mode after the current position (append)

- `I` jump to the first non-blank character in the current line and switch to the insert mode

- `A` jump to the last character of the current line and switch to the insert mode

- `x` delete one character

- `:wq` save and exit (`:w` save, `:q` exit)

- `:q!` exit without saving

- `h j k l` move cursor

Vim Level 2: Feeling good

- `o` insert new line below the cursor

- `O` insert new line above the cursor

- `0` move to the begin of the line

- `^` move to the first non-blank character in the line

- `$` move to the end of the line

- `g_` move to the last non-blacnk character in the line

- `/` search for pattern

- `dd` delete current line

- `p` paste

Vim Level 3 and more:

- Please read: http://blog.interlinked.org/tutorials/vim_tutorial.html

FAQ:

How can I install Linux into my own laptop?

- Two options: 1) Ask Linux working group for help
2) Use VirtualBox (<http://piazza.com/class#fall2011/cs35l/4>)

How should I prepare lab1.log?

"record each action in a file lab1.log"

Such actions include: linux command you typed in CLI
commands in man pages

You can also literally describe what you did to figure out the answer,
as long as someone else who reads your log file can reproduce the answer.

Linux file ownership:

Files and directories are owned by a user

Files and directories are assigned a group

Linux file attributes (10 bits):

First bit: file type

- normal file
- d directory
- l denotes a symbolic link

the rest 9 bits: "Three groups of three"

- first what the owner can do
- second what the group members can do
- third what other users can do

The triplet:

- first r: readable.
- second w: writable.
- third x: executable.

9 bits can be translated into a group of three digitals

rw- rw- rw- -> 111 111 111 -> 777

rw- r-- r-- -> 110 100 100 -> 644

command: chmod -- change file mode bits

chmod 644 "filename"

chmod ['references']['operator']['modes'] 'filename'

references: u (owner), g (group), o (other), a (all)

operator: +(add), -(remove), =(set)

modes: r, w, x, s

Useful Linux commands:

mkdir -- make directories

rmdir -- remove empty directories

cp -- copy files and directories

rm -- remove files or directories

mv -- move (rename) files

apropos -- search the whatis database for string

readlink -- print value of a symbolic link or canonical file name

find -- search for files in a directory hierarchy

locate -- find files by name

top -- display Linux tasks

ps -- report a snapshot of the current processes

kill -- send a signal to a process (The default signal for kill is TERM)

Learning Emacs:

"mode" in Emacs is different than "mode" in Vim

"Emacs is a good operating system, but it lacks a good editor"

Combination of keys:

Ctrl-x --> C-x

Meta-x --> M-x (Meta key: second ctrl)

C-h k helper for key sequence

C-h F helper for command

C-g cancel command

C-x C-c exit Emacs

C-x C-f open file

Move in Emacs

C-n next line

C-p previous line

C-a begin of line

C-e end of line

C-f move forward for one character

C-b move backward for one character

M-f move forward for one word

M-b move backward for one word

NOTE: You can also move cursor in terminal using such keys.

(Maybe you need set meta-key in terminal first)

C-v page down

M-v page up

Search in Emacs

C-s incremental search

Undo and Redo in Emacs

C-x u undo and redo, use C-g to change direction

Cut, Copy, and Paste

C-d delete/cut/kill one character

M-d delete/cut/kill one word

C-k delete/cut/kill line

M-k delete/cut/kill sentence

C-w delete/cut/kill region

M-w copy region

C-SPC set mark to select region, like visual mode in Vim

C-y paste/yank the last stretch of killed text

M-y Replace just-yanked stretch of killed text with a different stretch

How to search package in apt?

apt-cache search <package-name>

Linux file attributes: r w x s

s: The set-user-ID-on-execution and set-group-ID-on-execution bits.

This causes any persons or processes that run the file to have access to system resources as though they are the owner of the file

-rws----- 1 root root 14024 Sep 9 1999 secret

-rwxr-xr-x 1 root users 12072 Sep 9 1999 test

Any user in mail group can access file "secret" via test program, but no one rather the root can open secret directly.

Copy files from remote server

command scp [[user@]host1:]file1 ... [[user@]host2:]file2

eg: scp your_seas_username@lnxsrvc.seas.ucla.edu:/usr/share/dict/words .

Command Redirection

>: write stdout to a file (NOTE: this will overwrite an existing file)

>>: append stdout to a file

<: use contents of a file as stdin

NOTE: stdout: standard output, (eg) printf("hello world\n");

stdin: standard input

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard_streams

Command Pipeline

command_1 | command_2 | command_3

NOTE: redirect the output of the first tool to the input of the following one

eg: ls | less, ls -l | grep Oct

Basic Regular Expression

A regular expression, often called a pattern, is an expression that specifies a set of strings.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Regular_expression

. Matches any single character

[] Matches a single character that is contained within the brackets

eg. [abc] [a-z] [a-zA-Z]

* Matches the preceding element zero or more times

eg. ba* matches "b", "ba", "baa", etc

? Matches the preceding element zero or one time

eg. ba? matches "b" or "ba".

+ Matches the preceding element one or more times

eg. ba+ matches "ba", "baa", "baaa", and so on.

Shell Scripting

The first line starting with #! (shebang line or hashbang line)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shebang_\(Unix\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shebang_(Unix))

Tells the system which interpreter to interpret and execute the script.

Makes shell scripts more like real executable programs.

eg. #! /bin/sh

#! /usr/bin/python

Variables

In command line: export A=23
In scripts "export" can be omitted.
Refer a variable: \$A
Variables hold string values.
Quotation mark's function is to link two words as one.
Output: "echo" or "printf"

Sample code 1:

```
# /bin/bash
sum=0
i=0
while (( $i <= 10 ))
do
    let sum=sum+$i
    let i=i+1
    echo $sum
done
```

Sample code 2:

```
#!/bin/bash
VALID_PASSWORD=abcd1234
echo "Please enter the password:"
read PASSWORD
if [ $PASSWORD == $VALID_PASSWORD ]; then
    echo "You have access!"
else
    echo "ACCESS DENIED!"
fi
```

More Linux Commands to learn:

- tr -- transliterate files with a pattern
- sort -- sort lines of text files
- head -- display first lines of a file
- tail -- display the last part of a file
- comm -- select or reject lines common to two files
- cmp -- compare two files byte by byte
- ln -- make links
- grep -- print lines matching a pattern

Shell Scripting (Continued)

How to execute a shell script?

Two options:

- 1) Make the file executable by adding "+x" attribute (chmod +x file_name)
- 2) Call the bash interpreter directly (bash file_name)

Running in the background

& at the end of the command/line of code

Shell doesn't wait for the command to finish if the program is running in the background.

Shell parameters

The first parameter to the shell is known as \$1, the second as \$2, etc.

The collection of ALL parameters is known as \$*.

Sample code 3:

```
#!/bin/bash
printf "the first parameter is: %s\n" $1
printf "the second parameter is: %s\n" $2
printf "echo the collection of ALL parameters is: %s\n" $*
```

Note:

There is something *WRONG* within the piece of code shown above.

More Linux Commands

grep: [g]lobal [r]egular [e]xpression [p]rint

-- print lines matching a pattern

<http://www.panix.com/~elflord/unix/grep.html>

eg 1. cat file_1.txt | grep set

print out lines with string "set" in file_1.txt

eg 2. ls -l | grep 'o'

print out files or directories whose name contains character o

eg 3. ps ax | grep chrome

print out processes whose name contains the string "chrome"

sed -- Read and modify the input line by line

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sed>

<http://www.grymoire.com/Unix/Sed.html>

Search and replace using sed

option: -n, --quiet, --silent

suppress automatic printing of pattern space

Pick out line using line number

eg 1. cat sample.txt | sed -n 1p

print out the same line

eg 2. cat sample.txt | sed -n 1~2p

(first~step)

print all the odd-numbered lines in the input stream

Search and replace

NOTE: The input could be a file or standard input (stdin)

eg 1. sed s/bad/good/ < sample.txt (the content of a file as stdin)

eg 2. sed s/bad/good/ sample.txt (the file name as a parameter)

eg 3. `cat sample.txt | sed s/bad/good/` (using pipeline)

NOTE: By doing this, it only replace the first occurrence

NOTE: Global replacement

`sed s/bad/good/g` -- make changes to every occurrence

NOTE: sed in Mac OS's behaviour is really different

`cmp` -- Compare two files byte by byte

option: `-s` --quiet --silent

Output nothing; yield exit status only.

Exit status is 0 if inputs are the same,

1 if different,

2 if trouble.

NOTE: exit code can be accessed via two approaches

1) `echo $?`

2) in shell script, use 'if clause'

Tarball

What is a tarball? -- commonly used to refer to a file which contains other files. Tar program itself does not compress the files. Actually, tar works with a compression program like gzip to compress the file

An example:

`ftp://ftp.gnu.org/gnu/coreutils/coreutils-7.6.tar.gz`

.tar extension is for the actual tarball

.gz extension suggests that this tarball is compressed by gzip

.tar.gz is equivalent to .tgz

A quick extract command:

`tar xvfz coreutils-7.6.tar.gz`

`v` -- produce verbose output. (optional)

`x` -- extract files from an archive.

`f` -- read the archive from or write the archive to the specified file.

`z` -- compress the resulting archive with gzip.

in extract or list modes, this option is ignored.

A quick compress command:

`tar vcfz coreutils-7.6.tar.gz coreutils-7.6`

Note: coreutils-7.6.tar.gz is the tarball file which will be created

coreutils-7.6 is the directory which will be packed and compressed

More reading:

<http://maketechesasier.com/install-software-from-a-tarball-in-linux/2009/06/25>

Basic gcc/g++

gcc is used for c and g++ is used for c++

+-----+ compile	+-----+ link	+-----+
source code	-----> object files	-----> target program
+-----+	+-----+	+-----+

-- one (.c) source file will generate one object file

`g++ -o kernel.o -c kernel.cc`

`g++ -o gui.o -c gui.cc`

-- link (combine) multiple object files into one target program

`g++ -o program kernel.o gui.o`

configure and make

When you get source code from others, you can try the following set of commands to "install" that program:

`./configure`

`make`

`sudo make install`

Note: -- "configure" file is a executable script which automatically generates Makefile

-- "Makefile" contains a set of rules which specify how to derive the target file

-- When you run command "make", try "make -j2". With "-j2", the make program will create two parallel threads to speed up the compilation

```
+-----+
| ./ configure | ---> Makefile ---> | make |
+-----+
```

A sample make file:

```
+-----+
CC      = gcc
CFLAGS  = -g

all: helloworld

helloworld: helloworld.o
    # Commands start with TAB not spaces
    $(CC) $(LDFLAGS) -o $@ $^

helloworld.o: helloworld.c
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c -o $@ $<

clean:
    rm -f helloworld helloworld.o
+-----+
More reading:
-- Make (wiki page)
    http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Make_(software)
-- a tutorial of using autoconf and automake with C++:
    http://www.openismus.com/documents/linux/automake/automake.shtml
```

New commands that you need to know:

1. tar 2. gcc 3. g++ 4. make

Preview Python: <http://docs.python.org/release/2.4.1/tut/tut.html>

How to use a Makefile

1. name it as default (Makefile) and run command "make" in the same directory.
2. "make -f OtherMakefile" (not recommended)

It is too complicated to write Makefile by ourselves

Different system need different system

autoconf -- generate the "configure" script

automake -- generate Makefile

-- a tutorial of using autoconf and automake with C++:

<http://www.openismus.com/documents/linux/automake/automake.shtml>

Install program without sudo

1. Generate a Makefile that will install the program into another directory
`./configure --prefix=/tmp/cu`
2. Build the source code again (run "make")
3. Run "make install" without sudo (you don't need it now)

\$PATH environment variable

Check you \$PATH value:

```
jwcai@eagles:/$ echo $PATH
```

```
/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games
```

When you type a command into the shell, the system will search it in directories listed in the \$PATH.

Modify the \$PATH

Option 1. `export PATH=/tmp/cu/bin:$PATH`

Option 2. modify `~/.bashrc` and append the export command.

Check with "which" command

Python Reading: <http://docs.python.org/release/2.4.1/tut/tut.html>

Ch1 ~ Ch7: must read, read the rest if you want more powerful tools

Python in Interactive mode

Simply type "python" in the command line

-- It is a good calculator

```
e.g. >>> import math
>>> math.sqrt ((3 + 4.5) ** 2)
7.5
```

-- It is a good helper for python

```
e.g. >>> help(open)
```

Revisit: Run a (Python) script

Option 1: `python myscript.py`

Option 2: `#!` line and `chmod +x`

Indent is important in Python

something is wrong with the following code

```
def test():
```

```
    x = 0
```

```
    for i in range(0, 10):
```

```
        x += i
```

```
    print x
```

test()

Build-in Data Structure in Python

- Basic type: int, float, string
- Tuple: immutable, (generally) sequences of different kinds of stuff
- List: mutable, (generally) sequences of the same kind of stuff
Ref: <http://news.e-scribe.com/397>
- Access tuple and list using subscriptions
a[1], a[1:], c[2:4], a[-1], a[:-1]
- Dict: key, value pairs
e.g. d = {}
d["tom"] = 20
d["jerry"] = 19
d.values(), d.keys(), d.items()

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In-class presentation

Starting from next Monday (10/24/11), until the last day of class (11/30/11)
Up to 3 students are allowed to present each day
5 ~ 10 min for each talk
The presentation is weighted 5% in the final grade

Linux/Unix login process

1. Hardware power on, boot load program
2. Loading system kernel
3. Starting init process (PID 1)
4. Waiting for user name
 > login:
5. User providing their password
 > password:
 Note: step 4 and 5 depends on the file "/etc/passwd" which looks like this:
 irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/bin/sh
 (home dir) (shell app)
6. Start the shell app

NOTE: check your default shell app (echo \$SHELL)

More reading: http://www.ucblueash.edu/thomas/Intro_Unix_Text/Process.html

Command "diff" revisited

diff file_1 file_2

Note: without any option, diff will give you normal output
a stands for added, d for deleted and c for changed

diff -u file_1 file_2

Note: with -u option, you will get unified format output
Programs using this format: patch, git, svn

Unified format output

a diff file starts with two lines describe two files

--- test 2011-10-17 08:51:11.200077000 -0700

+++ test2 2011-10-17 08:51:30.086132000 -0700

a diff file contains one or more change hunks starting with

@@ -l,s +l,s @@

The first pair of l,s is for the origin file, and the second pair for the new file. l indicates the start line number while s is the number of lines in the hunk.

More reading: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diff>

Command "patch"

apply a diff file to an original

usage:

1/ patch [options] [originalfile [patchfile]]

2/ patch -p0 <patchfile

Note: Read Manpage to understand what's the difference between -p0 and -p1

Lab 4 Guidline

- 1/ You will download and untar the Coreutil 8.0 like what we did last week.
- 2/ Create 2 diff files by "copy and paste"
- 3/ Use "patch" command to apply these 2 diff files. Note: last week you edit source code manually, but this week you are not allowed to do so.
- 4/ There is some errors in the patch, try the patch and figure out the problem
- 5/ Edit the patch (i.e. the diff file) using vim or emacs
- 6/ Try applying the patch again
(Hint: pay attention to line numbers)

Software Version Control

Common features of Revision Control

- 1/ roll-back feature. (a snapshot of the source code)
- 2/ synchronization between team members
- 3/ source code distribution (e.g. github)
- 4/ quality assurance (QA) and code review

More reading: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Revision_control

Two tools we will cover in Thursday: git and subversion (a.k.a. svn)

git [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Git_\(software\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Git_(software))

svn http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apache_Subversion

Basic Idea of Version Control

- Centralization vs Decentralization

git

- distributed control
 - be free to commit and let merge solve problems
 - push and pull between users
 - all patches (commits) are identified by its hash code
 - in most cases people need a rendezvous point (e.g. github)
 - offline commit
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- Global setup
 - set up git
 - git config --global user.name "Jiwen Cai"
 - git config --global user.email jwcai@cs.ucla.edu
 - Clone a repository from remote
 - git clone git://github.com/goodcjw/cs35l.git
 - View change logs in a git repository
 - git log
 - View change logs in GUI (may not available for all systems)
 - gitk
 - View change logs for file with diffs
 - git log -p \$file
 - View changes to tracked files
 - git diff
 - git diff \$id1 \$id2
 - Find out who is responsible for a file (piece of code)
 - git blame \$file
 - View uncommitted changes
 - git status
 - Create a repository locally
 - git init
 - touch README
 - git add README
 - git commit -am'first commit'
 - Return to the last committed state
 - git reset --hard
 - Note: you cannot undo a hard reset, all changes will be lost
 - Move to a previous version
 - git checkout \$id
 - Note: Like a "time machine"
 - Note: You can look around, make experimental changes and commit them, and you can discard any commits you make in this state without impacting any branches by performing another checkout.
 - Work with remote git server
 - git push
 - git pull
 - Note: We need to get access to a git server and configure remote server
 - Check this out:
<http://help.github.com/create-a-repo/>
 - More reading

<http://www-cs-students.stanford.edu/~blynn/gitmagic/>
Focus on: push and pull, branch

SVN (aka subversion)

- centralized control
 - one server, multiple users
 - one chunk, multiple branches
 - unique continuous version (revision) number
 - commit to the server and update from the server
 - need internet access to commit
-
- Work with remote svn server
 - svn checkout \$url
 - svn commit
 - svn update
 - More reading
 - Command comparison between git and svn: <http://git.or.cz/course/svn.html>

C Language

Father of C and Unix: Dennis Ritchie and Ken Thompson
Invented in 1970's, still the second popular programming language

More reading:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dennis_Ritchie

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ken_Thompson

<http://www.cplusplus.com/>

Top 5 Programming Language

Rank 2011	Rank 2010	Language	Rate	Delta
1	1	Java	17.913%	-0.25%
2	2	C	17.707%	+0.53%
3	3	C++	9.072%	-0.73%
4	4	PHP	6.818%	-1.51%
5	6	C#	6.723%	+1.76%

More reading:

<http://www.tiobe.com/index.php/content/paperinfo/tpci/index.html>

C Language Review

Include head files:

C libs: `#include <xxx.h>`

Std C++ libs: `#include <xxx>`

e.g. `"#include <cstring>"` vs `"#include <string.c>"` vs `"#include <string>"`

`#include <stdio.h>`

<http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/clibrary/cstdio>

```
-- printf    write to stdout
    int printf ( const char * format, ... );
    %[flags][width][.precision][length]specifier
-- scanf     read from stdin
    int scanf ( const char * format, ... );
    %[*][width][modifiers]type
-- getchar   get character from stdin
    int getchar ( void );
-- putchar   put character to stdout
    int putchar ( int character );
```

Review for pipeline and redirection

```
-- redirect output: echo '12345' > test
-- redirect input:  cat < test
-- pipeline:        echo '12345' | cat
```

`#include <string.h>`

<http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/clibrary/cstring/>

```
-- strlen    get string length
    size_t strlen ( const char * str );
-- strcmp     compare two strings
    int strcmp ( const char * str1, const char * str2 );
    return 0: both strings are equal
```

```
-- memcpy    copy block of memory
void * memcpy ( void * destination, const void * source, size_t num );
-- strcpy    copy string
char * strcpy ( char * destination, const char * source );
```

```
#include <stdlib.h>
http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/clibrary/cstdlib/
-- malloc    allocate memory block (run time)
void * malloc ( size_t size );    // size in bytes
    e.g. char* mem = malloc(memsized);
-- free      deallocate space in memory
void free ( void * ptr );
-- atoi      convert string to integer
int atoi ( const char * str );
-- qsort     sort elements of array
void qsort ( void * base, size_t num, size_t size,
    int ( * comparator ) ( const void *, const void * ) );
-- Function pointer
int ( * comparator ) ( const void *, const void * )
int compare (const void *a, const void *b)
```

A quick demo for next lecture
<http://irl.cs.ucla.edu/~jwcai/qsart.c>

More reading for gdb
<http://www.unknownroad.com/rtfm/gdbtut/gdbtoc.html>

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A tutorial: <http://www.unknownroad.com/rtfm/gdbtut/gdbtoc.html>
A quick demo: <http://irl.cs.ucla.edu/~jwcai/qsort.c>

Preparing your source code for debugging

- Add g command **line argument** when compile the source code using gcc/g++
 - With a -g option, the output file will be larger and runs slower
- e.g. gcc -g qsort.c -o qsort

When to use a debugger

- To figure out how a program is executed
- Reproduce some bugs
- Print program stack after crash

Loading a program

- Simplest situation: gdb name_of_executable
e.g. gdb ls
- When the executable needs some parameters
e.g. gdb gdb --args ls -lt
- In emacs: M-x gdb (require very reliable source code)

GDB command line

- break -- shortened as 'b'
- set breakpoint on file and line number
b qsort.c:5
 - set breakpoint on function
b qsort
- info breakpoints
- display all breakpoints

- list -- shortened as 'l'
- print out the lines of code around the line the program is stopped at

e.g.

(gdb) info breakpoints

Num	Type	Disp	Enb	Address	What
1	breakpoint	keep	y	0x00000000100000cde	in main at qsort.c:6
	breakpoint already hit 1 time				
3	breakpoint	keep	y	0x00000000100000db2	in qsort at qsort.c:19
	breakpoint already hit 3 times				

(gdb) disable 1 -- Note: disable a breakpoint

(gdb) delete 3 -- Note: delete a breakpoint

r -- short for 'run'

n -- short for 'next', move on to the next statement

s -- short for 'step', step into one function call

n N -- make N movements

s N -- continue N steps

c -- short for 'continue', execute until next breakpoint

RET -- i.e. hit enter button (repeat next, step, or continue)

print var -- print the value of a variable (one time)

e.g.

```
(gdb) print pivot  
$4 = 105 'i'
```

disp var -- display the value of a variable
 (every time the variable is in current scope)
watch var -- a smart break point
 break the execution one the variable changes

e.g.

```
(gdb) watch e  
Hardware watchpoint 5: e  
(gdb) c  
Hardware watchpoint 5: e  
Old value = 3  
New value = 7  
qsort (str=0x7fff5fbff890 "adfhisst", l=6, r=7) at qsort.c:21  
1: s = 6
```

backtrace

-- display a listing of function calls from the beginning of execution
-- extremely useful for after-crash debugging

e.g.

```
(gdb) backtrace  
#0  qsort (str=0x7fff5fbff890 "acelr", l=3, r=4) at qsort.c:24  
#1  0x100000ec0 in qsort (str=0x7fff5fbff890 "acelr", l=0, r=4) at qsort.c:42  
#2  0x100000d52 in main () at qsort.c:12
```

A brief introduction to Operating System

1. Process

A process is an instance of a computer program that is being executed.
It contains the program code and its current activity (memory).

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Process_\(computing\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Process_(computing))

http://www.comptechdoc.org/os/linux/usersguide/linux_ugprocesses.html

2. Kernel Mode and User Mode

Ring 0 (Kernel)

Ring 3 (Application)

Kernel mode has more privileges:

Unrestricted mode. Full instruction availability. I/O operation, area of memory accessed are unlimited.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ring_\(computer_security\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ring_(computer_security))

3. System Call

User processes ask the kernel to do things for them by invoking system calls.

-- software interrupt, with a system call number

When the user process invokes a system call, the processor enters kernel mode, the processor and the kernel cooperate to save the user process's state, and the kernel executes appropriate code in order to carry out the system call. When it's done, it resumes the user process.

-- Unix/Linux System Call

The system call number will go in %eax

The arguments (up to five of them) will go in %edx, %ecx, %ebx, %edi, and %esi, respectively.

The kernel passes the return value back in %eax

```
#include <sys/syscall.h>
```

```
syscall(SYS_ID, ...);
```

Note: ... is the list of parameters

%eax	name	%ebx	%ecx	%edx	%esx	%edi
3	SYS_read	unsigned int	char *	size_t	-	-
4	SYS_write	unsigned int	const char *	size_t	-	-

<http://bluemaster.iu.hio.no/edu/dark/lin-asm/syscalls.html>

5. File Descriptor

A file descriptor is an abstract indicator for accessing a file

3 standard POSIX file descriptors

Integer value

Name

0 Standard Input (stdin)

1 Standard Output (stdout)

2 Standard Error (stderr)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File_descriptor

```
-- Input/Output redirection REVISITED:  
cat file1 > file2  
cat file1 1 > file2  
cat file1 1 > file2 2>&1
```

6. Wrapped System Call

```
#include <unistd.h>  
ssize_t      read(int fd, void * buf, size_t sz);  
ssize_t      write(int fd, const void * buf, size_t sz);  
  
#include <sys/stat.h>  
int          fstat(int fd, struct stat *buf);  
http://pubs.opengroup.org/onlinepubs/009695399/functions/fstat.html
```

7. Tools for Lab 6

Using strace to test the results.

```
$ strace -o catb_trace ./catb < testfile
```

Using time to measure the speed.

```
$ time ./catb < testfile
```

Process Revisited

Process: Program + Data:

Memory of a process can be divided into three regions:

- 1) Text: programs and read-only data
(loaded from text section of an executable file)
- 2) Data: stores static variables
(loaded from bss section of an executable file)
- 3) Stack: stores dynamic variables, function frames

Function Call

```
+-----+
void main() {
    function(1, 2, 3);
}
+-----+
pushl $3      # push arguments from right to left
pushl $2      # when they are popped out the order is left to right
pushl $1
call function  # jump to the address of the callee function
               # call will push the current IP register (instruction pointer)
               # into the stack.
               # This is the RET address for the callee function
pushl %ebp    # EBP: the base pointer of the current function's stack
               # i.e. the start boundary of the current function
movl %esp,%ebp # ESP: the stack pointer of the current function's stack
subl $20,%esp # i.e. the cutting edge of the current function
```

Buffer: a contiguous block of computer memory that holds multiple instances of the same data type.

- static buffer: allocated at load time on the data segment.
- dynamic: allocated at run time on the stack.

Buffer Overflow

the result of stuffing more data into a buffer than it can handle.

sample code:

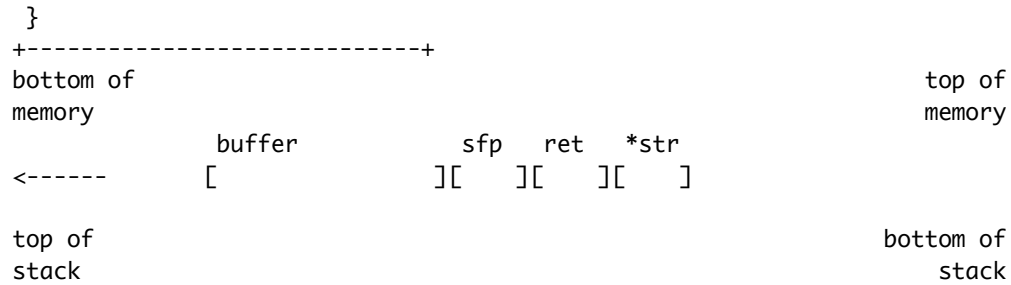
```
+-----+
void function(char *str) {
    char buffer[16];

    strcpy(buffer, str);
}

void main() {
    char large_string[256];
    int i;

    for( i = 0; i < 255; i++)
        large_string[i] = 'A';

    function(large_string);
}
```



IMPORTANT: buffer overflow allows us to change the return address of a function
 More Reading:
<http://insecure.org/stf/smashstack.html>

Getting start with Lab 7

1. Grab the tarball, untar it
2. Apply the patch given from the course website
3. Run "./configure", "make" and "make install"
 - "make install" is optional, if you wanna install it, you may face some problem related to unexisted user and group.
4. Fix other bugs if necessary
5. If you simply run "./thttpd" it will not work.
6. Read MANPAGE of thttpd carefully. Especially, pay attention to these options:
 - C, specifies a config-file for thttpd
 - p, set port
 - d, set root directory
7. If you are still confused, you may find the following link helpful:
 - <http://www.acme.com/software/thttpd/notes.html>
 - You do not need to go through everything in that note page, but i helps to have a feeling about how an http server should be configured.

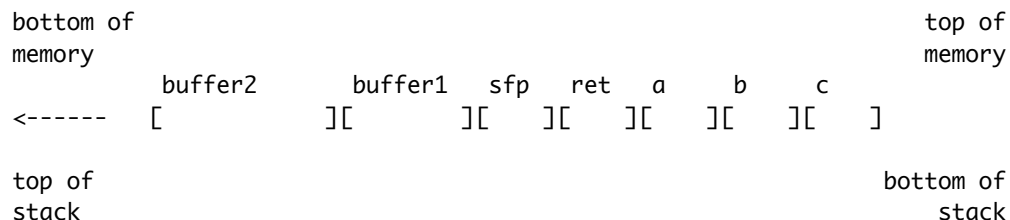
Another Example on Buffer Overflow

```
+-----+
void function(int a, int b, int c) {
    char buffer1[5];
    char buffer2[10];
    int *ret;

    ret = buffer1 + 12;
    (*ret) += 8;
}

void main() {
    int x;

    x = 0;
    function(1,2,3);
    x = 1;
    printf("%d\n",x);
}
+-----+
```



Note: memory can only be addressed in multiples of the word size.
 A word in this example is 4 bytes, or 32 bits.

Makefile and GCC Revisited

In Lab 7, you are required to use GCC with several options, like "-s", "-fno-stack-protector". You are not going to run gcc command directly. Instead, you can achieve this by modifying the Makefile, especially the "\$CFLAGS" variable.

```
+-----+
CC      = gcc
CFLAGS  = -g

all: helloworld

helloworld: helloworld.o
    # Commands start with TAB not spaces
    $(CC) $(LDFLAGS) -o $@ $^

helloworld.o: helloworld.c
```

```
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c -o $@ $<
```

clean:

```
rm -f helloworld helloworld.o
```

+-----+

"-S" option of gcc

Stop after the stage of compilation proper; do not assemble.

The output is in the form of an assembler code file for each non-assembler input file specified.

GDB Revisited

-- Attach GDB to a process which is running:

```
$ gdb
```

```
$ attach PID
```

Setup Environment for mudflap

(Thanks to Jihyoung "Joseph" Kim for sharing his notes on mudflap)

for Ubuntu

```
$ sudo apt-get install gcc-opt
```

```
$ sudo apt-get install libgcc1
```

```
$ sudo apt-get install libgcc1-dbg
```

```
$ sudo apt-get install libmudflap0
```

```
$ sudo apt-get install libmudflap0-dbg
```

```
$ sudo apt-get install libmudflap0-4.5-dev
```

on SEAS lab lnxsrv

```
$ bash
```

```
$ export PATH='/usr/local_cs/linux/bin'
```

```
$ export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/usr/local_cs/linux/lib
```

available port for section 2: 12200-12228

More about Lab 7

-- Make sure your thttpd is working:

1) Try visit <http://localhost:8080>

2) Find help with commands: "ps" and "grep"

Three Dimensions of Computer Security -- CIA

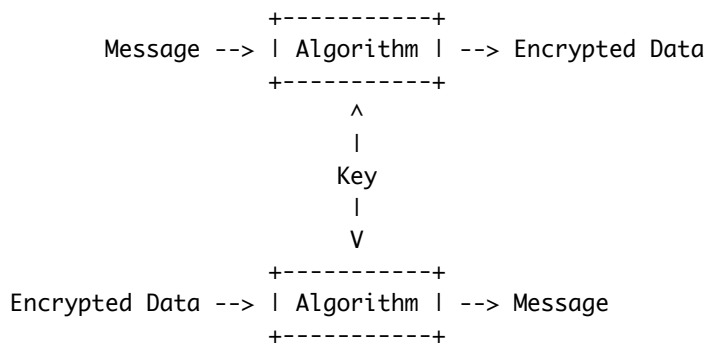
- C: Confidentiality
 eavesdropping
- I: Integrity
 modification, fabrication
- A: Availability
 denial of service (DoS)

more reading:

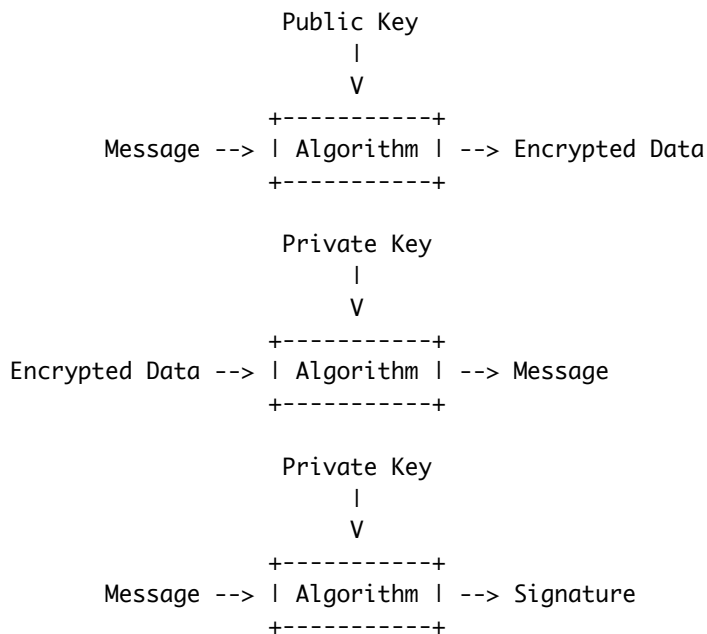
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Information_security
http://www.cert.org/tech_tips/denial_of_service.html
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Man-in-the-middle_attack

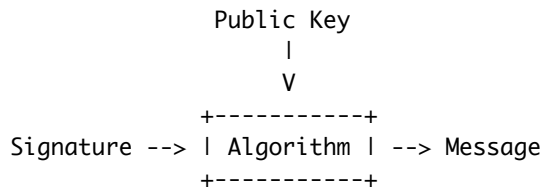
Cryptography

- Symmetric-key cryptography



- Public-key cryptography (a.k.a. Asymmetric-key cryptography)





more reading:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cryptography>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Public-key_cryptography

Getting Started with SSH

-- install openssh if you do not have it
 sudo apt-get install openssh-server

-- generate SSH key pairs (client side)

ssh-keygen -t rsa

Get two files:

.ssh/id_rsa (private key)

.ssh/id_rsa.pub (public key)

-- authorizing access (server side)

.ssh/authorized_keys

This file stores authorized pubkeys from client machines. Append other's pubkey to this file can authorize access without typing passwords.

-- other ssh commands

Remote host shell access

ssh login@remote

Execute a single command on a remote host

ssh login@remote 'command'

Secure Copy

scp login@remote:/remote/path/to/file /local/path/to/file

more reading: <http://kimmo.suominen.com/docs/ssh/>

Thread (aka Light Weight Process)

A thread is defined as an independent stream of instructions that can be scheduled to run as such by the operating system.

Thread vs Process

Process:

- an instance of a program in execution
- independent entity, system resources (CPU time, memory, etc.) are allocated
- separate address space. one process cannot access the variables and data structures of another process
- no processes can directly access the memory of another process
- must use IPC (inter-process communication, including: pipes, files, sockets, memory share) to communicate with other processes

Thread:

- ```
-- a thread is a particular execution path of a process
-- one process can have multiple threads
-- threads in one process use the same memory address space
-- each thread has its own registers and its own stack, but other threads can
 read and write the stack memory
-- overall, the overhead brought from thread switch is lower than precess switch
```

More reading:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thread\\_\(computer\\_science\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thread_(computer_science))

## Thread's overhead

- 1) switching: store and load registers
- 2) synchronization

## Synchronization

- ```
-- a problem
```

<pre> static cnt = 0; static a = 0; </pre>	
Thread A	Thread B
<pre> void counter() { cnt++; } </pre>	<pre> void accumulate() { a += cnt; cnt = 0; } </pre>

- ```
-- solution: mutex (mutual exclusive)
```

## POSIX Threads (aka libpthread, -lpthread)

- ```
-- API defined by POSIX standard
-- pthread API can be informally grouped into four major groups:
1) Thread Management      2) Mutexes
3) Condition variables    4) Synchronization
```

```
// creates a new thread and makes it executable
int pthread_create(pthread_t * thread,
                  const pthread_attr_t * attr,
```

```

        void * (*start_routine)(void *),
        void *arg);
// wait for termination of another thread
int pthread_join(pthread_t th, void **thread_return);

```

More reading:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/POSIX_Threads

<http://www.yolinux.com/TUTORIALS/LinuxTutorialPosixThreads.html>

```

+-----+
#include <pthread.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

#define NUM_THREADS      4

void* basic_task(void* arg) {
    int tid;
    tid = *((int *) arg);
    printf("hello world! this is thread %d!\n", tid);
    return NULL;
}

int main(void) {
    pthread_t threads[NUM_THREADS];
    int thread_args[NUM_THREADS];
    int rc, i;

    /* create all threads */
    for (i = 0; i < NUM_THREADS; ++i) {
        thread_args[i] = i;
        printf("in main: creating thread %d\n", i);
        rc = pthread_create(&threads[i], NULL,
                           basic_task, (void*) &thread_args[i]);
        if (rc != 0) {
            printf("fail to create thread, abort...\n");
            exit(1);
        }
    }

    /* wait for all threads to complete */
    for (i = 0; i < NUM_THREADS; ++i) {
        rc = pthread_join(threads[i], NULL);
        if (rc != 0) {
            printf("fail to join thread, abort...\n");
            exit(1);
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
+-----+

```