

Exploring the file system

AIM

Login and look at some files.

Issues covered

Commands: pwd, ls, gedit, cd, cp, mv, mkdir, rm, rmdir, man.

What's in /tmp, / and /etc

Instructions

1. Let's get started by logging in.

- a. Login to the laptop (you should have a username and password).
- b. Start a terminal window.

2. Have a look around your home directory. Try the following commands.

```
pwd
ls
ls -l
ls -a
ls ..
ls acsoe
```

3. Let's have a look somewhere else. Change directory to acsoe.

```
cd acsoe
```

Now repeat (2)

4. Manipulating some files and directories.

- a. Make a file called myfile in /tmp with gedit.
- b. Make a subdirectory in /tmp called mydir
- c. Rename the file myfile.txt and the subdirectory X
- d. Copy myfile.txt into the X subdirectory
- e. Tidy up - delete the file and subdirectory

5. Use the “man ls” command to find other listing options. Experiment... have a look in /, and /etc.

6. How not to do it

- a. Use cd with no arguments to jump back to your home directory.
- b. Go into the pain directory
- c. Use ls to see what files are here
- d. Move them to more sensible names (if you can).

Solution: Explore the file system

2.

```
sjp23$ pwd
/Users/sjp23/play/york_workshop_shell
sjp23$ ls
acsoe
sjp23$ ls -l
total 0
drwxr-x---  16 sjp23  staff   544 26 Feb 16:21 acsoe
sjp23$ ls -a
.  ..  acsoe
sjp23$ ls ..
badc          dataman          york_workshop_shell
sjp23$ ls acsoe
00README  eae-96          ease-96          freetex-96      hillcloud-96
          lterm
c-130      eae-97          ease-97          freetex-98      hillcloud-97
          ozprof
```

3.

```
sjp23$ cd acsoe
sjp23$ pwd
/Users/sjp23/play/york_workshop_shell/acsoe
sjp23$ ls
00README  eae-96          ease-96          freetex-96      hillcloud-96
          lterm
c-130      eae-97          ease-97          freetex-98      hillcloud-97
          ozprof
sjp23$ ls -l
total 8
-rwxr-x---  1 sjp23  staff   190 26 Feb 16:21 00README
drwxr-x---  8 sjp23  staff   272 26 Feb 16:20 c-130
drwxr-x---  8 sjp23  staff   272 26 Feb 16:20 eae-96
drwxr-x---  8 sjp23  staff   272 26 Feb 16:21 eae-97
drwxr-x---  7 sjp23  staff   238 26 Feb 16:21 ease-96
drwxr-x---  6 sjp23  staff   204 26 Feb 16:21 ease-97
drwxr-x---  6 sjp23  staff   204 26 Feb 16:21 freetex-96
drwxr-x---  6 sjp23  staff   204 26 Feb 16:21 freetex-98
drwxr-x---  8 sjp23  staff   272 26 Feb 16:21 hillcloud-96
drwxr-x---  9 sjp23  staff   306 26 Feb 16:21 hillcloud-97
drwxr-x---  6 sjp23  staff   204 26 Feb 16:21 lterm
drwxr-x---  6 sjp23  staff   204 26 Feb 16:21 ozprof
sjp23$ ls -a
.  .summary  eae-96          ease-97          hillcloud-96  ozprof
```

```
..          00README  eae-97          freetex-96          hillcloud-97
.checksums      c-130          ease-96          freetex-98          lterm
sjp23$ ls ..
acsoe
sjp23$
```

4.

```
sjp23$ cd /tmp
sjp23$ gedit myfile
sjp23$ ls
myfile
test.txt
sjp23$ mkdir mydir
sjp23$ ls -l
total 56
drwxr-xr-x  2 sjp23          wheel      68 26 Feb 17:14 mydir
-rw-r--r--  1 sjp23          wheel       7 26 Feb 17:13 myfile
sjp23$ mv myfile X
sjp23$ mv X myfile.txt
sjp23$ mv mydir X
sjp23$ cp myfile.txt  X
sjp23$ ls -l
total 56
drwxr-xr-x  3 sjp23          wheel     102 26 Feb 17:15 X
-rw-r--r--  1 sjp23          wheel       7 26 Feb 17:13 myfile.txt
sjp23$ ls -l X
total 8
-rw-r--r--  1 sjp23  wheel    7 26 Feb 17:21 myfile.txt
sjp23$ rm X/myfile.txt
sjp23$ rmdir X
sjp23$
```

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```
sjp23$ cd
sjp23$ cd pain
sjp23$ ls -l
total 0
-rw-r--r--  1 sjp23  staff    0 20 Mar 12:48
-rw-r--r--  1 sjp23  staff    0 20 Mar 12:49 What the *
-rw-r--r--  1 sjp23  staff    0 20 Mar 12:53 Ω
vpn-3-046:pain sjp23$ mv \  Space
vpn-3-046:pain sjp23$ mv What\ the\ \* What_the_star
vpn-3-046:pain sjp23$ mv ? omaga
vpn-3-046:pain sjp23$ ls -l
```

total 0

-rw-r--r-- 1 sjp23 staff 0 20 Mar 12:48 Space

-rw-r--r-- 1 sjp23 staff 0 20 Mar 12:49 What_the_star

-rw-r--r-- 1 sjp23 staff 0 20 Mar 12:53 omaga

vpn-3-046:pain sjp23\$

Pipes and filters exercise

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Construct a command using pipes and filters to print just the name of the longest file.

Issues covered

Commands: cat, wc, head, tail, cut, sort, uniq, |, *, ?

Using shell command completion and history.

Instructions

1. In the directory `acsoe/eae-97/macehead` construct a pipe and filter command to print the file with the most lines. (Hint: use `head`, `tail`, `wc`, `sort` and `cut`)
2. Use the up arrow to edit the last command. Change the command to look for the longest file in characters.
3. Use `*` to look for the longest file in all the subdirectories of `acsoe/eae-97`.
4. Have a play with the arrow keys and the tab key - what to they do? Try the history command.

Solution: Pipes and filters exercise

1.

```
wc -l eae-97/macehead/* | sort -n | tail -n 2 | head -n 1 | cut -c 10-
```

As an alternative to the last command in the above pipeline, `cut -f 2 -d ' '` will extract the second field, using space as delimiter between fields – more robust if the character width can vary.

2.

```
wc -c eae-97/macehead/* | sort -n | tail -n 2 | head -n 1 | cut -c 10-
```

3.

```
wc -c eae-97/*/* | sort -n | tail -n 2 | head -n 1 | cut -c 10-
```

4) Up and down arrows scroll through the command history of the shell (very useful for repeating the same commands). The tab key makes suggestions for completing what you are typing. Often tab completion writes the rest of the filename after typing in the start of it. Tab key twice lists all possible completion alternatives. The history command list the command history; use !33 to run the 33 entry in the history list.

Permission exercise

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To get comfortable with unix permission system.

Issues covered

Commands: chmod, ls -l, more, less, chgrp

Instructions

1. Explain permissions to other people.

- a. Change directory to acsoe/freetex-98/jungfrau.
- b. Use ls -l to look at the files.
- c. Run the script ./set_chmod.sh. This script will change the permissions on some of the files in this directory.

```
$ ./set_chmod.sh
```

- d. Use ls -l again to look at the file permissions.
- e. Pair up and describe to your partner what the permission mean.
- f. Use the more (or less) command to see if you can access the files. Try to run the files.

2. Which do you think are most sensible set of permissions.

- a. Change the files to have sensible permissions.
- b. Make a new directory
- c. Experiment with the permissions on the directory.

Solutions: Permissions

1. a-d

```
york_workshop_shell$ cd acsoe/freetex-98/Jungfrau
Jungfrau$ ls -l
total 33064
-rwxr-x--- 1 sjp23 staff 183188 26 Feb 16:21 jf980314.em3
-rwxr-x--- 1 sjp23 staff 291474 26 Feb 16:21 jf980315.em1
-rwxr-x--- 1 sjp23 staff 200955 26 Feb 16:21 jf980315.em2
-rwxr-x--- 1 sjp23 staff 31641 26 Feb 16:21 jf980317.nox
...
Jungfrau$ ./set_chmod.sh
Jungfrau$ ls -l
total 33064
-rwx----- 1 sjp23 staff 183188 26 Feb 16:21 jf980314.em3
----rwx--- 1 sjp23 staff 291474 26 Feb 16:21 jf980315.em1
-----rwx 1 sjp23 staff 200955 26 Feb 16:21 jf980315.em2
-rwxrwx--- 1 sjp23 staff 31641 26 Feb 16:21 jf980317.nox
...
```

1. f

No user permission...

```
Jungfrau$ more jf980315.em2
jf980315.em2: Permission denied
Jungfrau$ more jf980315.em1
jf980315.em1: Permission denied
```

Read permission ok...

```
Jungfrau$ more jf980318.pr1
24 1001
Monks, Paul and Zanis, Prodromos
School of Chemistry, Univesrity Leicester, Leicester, UK
Peroxy Radical Chemical Amplifier II, Free Tropospheric Experiment II,
Jungfraujoch, Switzerland
FREETEX '98
```

Execute permission ok... but not really something you can execute!

```
Jungfrau$ ./jf980318.fm1
./jf980318.fm1: line 1: 24: command not found
./jf980318.fm1: line 2: Graham: command not found
./jf980318.fm1: line 3: syntax error near unexpected token `('
./jf980318.fm1: line 3: `School of Environmental Sciences, University of
East Anglia (UEA), Norwich, UK'
```

Needle in haystack

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Use find and grep to find the “Needle”.

Issues covered

Commands: find, grep.

Instructions

1. Find the file needle.txt in the acsoe directory.

- a. Change directory to acsoe.
- b. Use the find command to look for the file called needle.txt.

2. Expand your search to look for files with needle anywhere in the filename.

- a. Same again but use a * or two

3. Use grep to find the word needle in the files under acsoe/ease-96/jetstream.

4. Use the man page for grep to work out how to do a case insensitive search for needle.

5. Use grep on the js960724.ps2 file to print all lines without 1 in. (use the man page to find the right option)

6. Use grep on the js960724.ps2 file to print all lines without 4 or 6 in, but does contain 33. (use a pipes to chain grep commands together)

Solution: Needle in a haystack

1.

```
york_workshop_shell$ cd acsoe
acsoe$ find . -name needle.txt
./hillcloud-96/h2/needle.txt
```

2.

```
acsoe$ find . -name '*needle*'
./ease-96/jetstream/ddddd.needle.xxx
./hillcloud-96/h2/needle.txt
```

3.

```
acsoe$ cd ease-96/jetstream
jetstream$ grep needle *
js960719.nx7:201.453308    105246 needle    2.2      .1      2.1      0
2.15      1
```

4.

```
jetstream$ grep -i needle *
js960716.jn3:198.520544    122935    26.6    .0126 NEEDLE
js960719.nx7:201.453308    105246 needle    2.2      .1      2.1      0
2.15      1
```

5.

```
jetstream$ grep -v 1 js960724.ps2
Lightman Paul
ACRU Imperial College, TTC, Silwood Park, Ascot, Berks SL5 7PW
GPS Lat & Long, Barometric Altitude
ACSOE OXICOA EASE96
Time in fractional Julian day (GMT Timebase)
4
999999 999 999 999
Time GMT hhmmss
Latitude  Decimal Degrees
Longitude Decimal Degrees
Altitude  m
5
THIS-FILE-NAME=js960724.ps2
E-MAIL-CONTACT=p.lightman@ic.ac.uk
Jday      Time GMT      Latitude      Longitude      Altitude
```

6.

```
jetstream$ grep -v 4 js960724.ps2 | grep -v 6 | grep 33
215.5025    120333    53.3098    -10.2228    592.9
215.5025    120335    53.3102    -10.2205    590.5
215.5037    120519    53.3332    -10.1023    598.3
215.5037    120521    53.3337    -10.1001    599.2
```

Controlling jobs and variable

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Start and stop a sleep job. Confidence in starting and stopping jobs and familiarity with variables.

Issues covered

Commands: set, export, echo, ps, top, fg, bg, jobs, kill, sleep, time, &, ^C, ^Z
Writing commands in a file to make a shell script.

Instructions

1. Run sleep 10. What does it do?

2. Make a snooze.sh file with gedit with the following content.

```
echo feeling sleepy...  
sleep 10  
echo wake up!
```

Run the script

```
$ ./snooze.sh
```

3) Edit the snooze.sh script to use a variable X to control the length of sleep.

4) Set X to 40 then run it again in the background using &. Use ps to see the process at work. Remember to export X.

5) Run 3 instances of the process at once.

- Start 3 snooze jobs in the background.
- Use the jobs command to see the processes.
- Kill 2 of them while they sleep.
- Bring the last one to the foreground and let it complete.

6) Run 3 instances of the process.

- Start 2 snooze jobs in the background.
- Start another in the foreground.
- Use ^Z to stop the foreground job.
- Use bg to put the job in the background.
- Bring %1 to the foreground with the fg command.
- Kill that job with ^C.
- Let the other jobs finish.

7) Find the difference between "" and ''

- a. Make a shell variable Y set to text of your choice. Use echo to print the variable. Try the following

```
echo * $Y
echo ' * $Y '
echo " * $Y "
```

Solution Job control

1.

```
york_workshop_shell$ sleep 10
```

2.

```
york_workshop_shell$ gedit snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh
-bash: ./snooze.sh: Permission denied
york_workshop_shell$ chmod 755 snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh
Feeling sleepy...
Wake up!
```

3.

```
york_workshop_shell$ gedit snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$ cat snooze.sh
echo Feeling sleepy...
sleep $X
echo Wake up!

york_workshop_shell$ export X=5
york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh
Feeling sleepy...
Wake up!
```

4.

```
york_workshop_shell$ export X=40
york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh &
[1] 3509
york_workshop_shell$ Feeling sleepy...

york_workshop_shell$ ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
   612 ttys000    0:00.58 -bash
   3509 ttys000    0:00.00 -bash
   3510 ttys000    0:00.00 sleep 40
york_workshop_shell$
york_workshop_shell$ Wake up!

[1]+  Done                  ./snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$
```

5.

```
york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh &
[1] 3550
york_workshop_shell$ Feeling sleepy...

york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh &
[2] 3552
york_workshop_shell$ Feeling sleepy...
./snooze.sh &
[3] 3554
york_workshop_shell$ Feeling sleepy...

york_workshop_shell$ jobs
[1]   Running                  ./snooze.sh &
[2]-  Running                  ./snooze.sh &
[3]+  Running                  ./snooze.sh &
york_workshop_shell$ kill %1
york_workshop_shell$
[1]   Terminated: 15          ./snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$ kill %2
[2]-  Terminated: 15          ./snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$
york_workshop_shell$ fg %3
./snooze.sh
Wake up!
york_workshop_shell$
```

6.

```
york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh &
[1] 11411
york_workshop_shell$ Feeling sleepy...

york_workshop_shell$ ./snooze.sh &
[2] 11413
york_workshop_shell$ Feeling sleepy...
./snooze.sh
Feeling sleepy...
^Z
[3]+  Stopped                  ./snooze.sh
york_workshop_shell$ bg
[3]+  ./snooze.sh &
york_workshop_shell$ fg %1
./snooze.sh
^Cyork_workshop_shell$
```

```
york_workshop_shell$ Wake up!  
Wake up!
```

```
[2]- Done ./snooze.sh  
[3]+ Done ./snooze.sh
```

7.

```
york_workshop_shell sjp23$ Y=Hello  
york_workshop_shell sjp23$ echo * $Y  
acsoe pain presentations snooze.sh york_shell.tar.gz Hello  
york_workshop_shell sjp23$ echo "* $Y"  
* Hello  
york_workshop_shell sjp23$ echo '* $Y'  
* $Y  
york_workshop_shell sjp23$
```

Double quotes tell the shell to expand variables but not * or ?.
Single quotes tell the shell take it literally.

Wake up

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What did we do yesterday?

Issues covered

Stuff from yesterday.

Instructions

1. Make a pipe and filter command to find the shortest file name in the acsoe directory.
2. Use backticks (`) to store the result in a variable.
X = `my long command with |pipes and | filters`
3. Use the Variable with “less” to show the file on screen.

Solution Wake up

```
$ x=`wc -l \`find acsoe -type f\` |sort |head -1`  
$ wc -l `find acsoe -type f` |sort |head -1  
    0 acsoe/lterm/macehead/.checksums  
$ wc -l `find acsoe -type f` |sort |head -1| cut -c10-  
acsoe/lterm/macehead/.checksums
```

```
$ x=`wc -l \`find acsoe -type f\` |sort |head -1 |cut -c10-`  
$
```

Note the use of `\`` to escape them for the find command

```
$ less $x  
$
```

Empty file

Shell scripts

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Use a shell script to look at output and error redirection.

Issues covered

>, >>, which, tail, for loops. Interpreter header lines.

Instructions

1. Find a directory in the acsoe tree with only files in. cd to that directory.
2. Make a shell script that loops over the files in a directory printing the last line in each file. Redirect the output to a file.
3. Make a subdirectory to trigger an error message from the tail command. Append this to an error log. Run the command a few times.
4. Make sure your script is only executable by you and it has the right #! first line.
5. Use which to find the python interpreter. Try changing the first line to point to that interpreter instead. What happens now when you run it?

Solution Shell scripts

1-4.

```
$ cat ./my.sh
#!/bin/bash

for i in *
do
tail -1 $i
done

$ ./my.sh > output.txt
$ cat output.txt
150.9375 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -
999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999 -999
150.593 150.349 150.838 208.8 287 88.43 204 5.6
150.592 150.351 150.832 15.938 92.504 41.925
15.106 42.969 123.124 2.592 111.401
1.188 12.862 2.393 7.397 112.808 61.752
150.592 150.351 150.832 77.378 31.374 52.149
20.287 354.200 228.634 0.000 2.486 23.683
6.034 36.593 73.681
147.10 146.85 147.35 14.3 2.17E-07
1.85E-07 7.78E-07 9.36E-08 1.63E-08 3.09E-08
147.10 146.85 147.35 14.3 1.27E-03
7.67E-05 9.77E-05 1.57E-03 7.78E-05 1.90E-04
2.77E-05
done
done
$
```

5.

```
$ which python
/usr/bin/python
$ emacs my.sh
$ ./my.sh
File "./my.sh", line 3
    for i in *
        ^
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

SSH

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Have a go at using ssh.

Issues covered

Ssh, scp, df

Instructions

Note: User names and IP addresses may change.

1. Ssh to xuser1@10.30.10.119.
2. Use ls, pwd and other commands to prove to yourself it's a different computer.
3. Logout (use exit or ^D)
4. Use scp to copy some files to the remote computer.
5. Login again and ls the files.
6. Logout
7. Use ssh to run df on the remote computer.

Other stuff

Aim: find out about some other useful stuff

Xargs

- 1) Use find piped to xargs to do something (wc, ls -l , head -1, etc)

Copying data

- 2) Copy the data in the acsoe directory to an acsoe2 directory with rsync. Use the -v (verbose) option so you can see what is happening.
- 3) Run the command again and note what is copied.
- 4) Add a new file to acsoe directory, modify another file and delete a third. Run the command a third time.
- 5) Try rsync to the remote machine used in the scp exercise.

Globbering

- 6) Use glob matching in acsoe/freetex-98/jungfrau
- 7) Make a for loop that includes only files with certain extensions.

Getting out of text editors

Some editors use the terminal window. The default editor used by some commands means you need to know how to get out of them sometimes. If you are not used to them you can get stuck.

Emacs – get out with with ^X followed by ^C

Vi – get out with : followed by q.

Have a go...

/dev/null

Give if a go with

```
$ head -1 `find acsoe/freetex-98 -type f`
```

Too much output to notice the errors.

```
$ head -1 `find acsoe/freetex-98 -type f` > /dev/null
```

Sourcing files

Try this:

Make a script file that sets a variable

Z=Dino

Run the file and then use echo to look at the Z variable.

Try again but this time do this

\$. /myscript

This is called sourcing a file is runs it in the current shell instead of starting a new one.

Tar

Make a tar file

\$ tar cvf macehead.tar acsoe/lterm/macehead

Compress is with gzip

\$ gzip macehead.tar

Move the file to /tmp

Uncompress it with gunzip