UNIX System Programming Shell programming

UNIX – Linux...

- UNIX is the name of the proprietary operating system licensed through a number of separate vendors (Bell labs).
- Linux is an operating system which, in its initial form, is meant to make available a free UNIX type of environment.
- In this course we will use UNIX and Linux interchangeably or just call it *NIX.

- A shell is a program that allows you to interact with the operating system. Just like your Windows or MAC desktop gives you access to the system.
- As we will see, all processes in *NIX inherit three file descriptors from their parent: STDIN, STDOUT and STDERR. The shell is no different.

- When you connect to the server through ssh, it creates a new process to deal with the interaction between your computer and the target host.
- Shells are just running programs. In our case, the program doesn't recognize mice or know that it is in a window (if using ssh).
- It only knows it has a display and a keyboard
- It does this by connecting your remote keyboard to the STDIN for the shell and both STDOUT and STDERR are connected to your remote display.

- Instead of clicking on icons, a shell requires that you type in commands (verbs).
- Each verb will perform a different action just like clicking on different icons on your desktop.
- Sometimes you have to tell the shell program where to go find the verb you are attempting to run.
- For some standard commands, no path to the executable is required.

- As you issue commands, the shell will search your PATH variable for an executable by that name.
 - If it finds one, it creates a new process to run the command.
 - If it cannot find an executable which matches the verb, it returns an error message.
- Though there is a basic set of universal commands recognized by *NIX: *ls, mkdir, ps....*
- Each flavour of shell deals with scripting and variables names in a slightly different way.

- The shell can also allow for the creation of "environment" variables.
- The default set of these variables contain information that is used by the various programs that you run.
- You can use the *env* command to get a list of existing variables (for the current process).
- You can also create and use variables of your own.
- When you use a variable, it is prefixed by a \$. (e.g. \$HOME and \$USERNAME)

UNIX does not, for the most part, recognize what in the "windows" world is know as a file extension.

In UNIX, a file is a file is a file.

That means that to UNIX, a file is just a collection of bytes.

What makes a file "executable". i.e. what makes a file something that UNIX recognizes as a set of instructions that can be executed?

File permissions:

For a file to be seen as something the shell might try to run, you must first turn on the "executable" flag for the file.

For compiled code, such as the code you will write in C for this course, the compiler does this for you.

```
[jacques@loki sample_code]$ ls -lt hello*
-rwXrwXr-X. 1 jacques jacques 8520 Jul 24 11:49 hello
-rw-rw-r--. 1 jacques jacques 69 Jul 24 11:49 hello_world.c
```

When you want to use a scripting language, there are two thing you need to do:

- 1) Set the executable flag yourself
- Include in the first line of the script, an identifier of the program you want to use as the command interpreter for your script.

For option (1), you can use the *chmod* command.

```
[jacques@loki lab1]$ ls -lt
-rw-rw-r--. 1 jacques jacques 130 Jul 12 11:38 find_top_10.sh
[jacques@loki lab1]$ chmod u+x find_top_10.sh
[jacques@loki lab1]$ ls -lt
-rwxrw-r--. 1 jacques jacques 130 Jul 12 11:38 find_top_10.sh
[jacques@loki lab1]$
```

Defining the command interpreter for your scripting language is done by using the #! (she-bang) prefix on the first line of your code.

She-bang is then followed by the full path of the interpreter for the language you selected.

You can find the full path by using the which command followed by the name of the language you want to use

```
[jacques@loki lab1]$ which bash
/usr/bin/bash
[jacques@loki lab1]$ which csh
/usr/bin/csh

[jacques@loki lab1]$ which perl
/usr/bin/perl
[jacques@loki lab1]$ which php
/usr/bin/php
```

Some examples of defining different interpreters:

```
[root@loki]# head -n 3 create course accounts.pl
#!/bin/perl -w
#
#
   Script Name: Create Course accounts.pl
root@loki account tools]# cat monitor account sizes.sh
#!/bin/bash -x
echo Top 20 account sizes in /home
echo " "
du --summarize -c /home/* | sort -n -r | head -n 20
echo " "
NOTE: the "-x" or "--debug" on the /bin/bash line can be QUITE
  useful !!!
```

Binaries (compiled code) also have their own "magic bytes" at the beginning of the file. This tells the interpreter what type of binary it is:

```
[jacques@loki sample code]$ ls -lt shared
-rwxrwxr-x. 1 jacques jacques 13120 Aug 1 09:58 shared
[jacques@loki sample code]$ hexdump -C shared | head -n 10
00000000 7f 45 4c 46 02 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   | .ELF......
00000010
                                                   1..>......
       02 00 3e 00 01 00 00 00 d0 06 40 00 00 00 00
       40 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 c0 2b 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   10.....
00000020
00000030 00 00 00 00 40 00 38 00
                             09 00 40 00 1e 00 1b 00
                                                   00000040 06 00 00 00 05 00 00 00
                             40 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   1........
                                                   10.0....
00000050
       40 00 40 00 00 00 00 00
                             40 00 40 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   1......
00000060 f8 01 00 00 00 00 00 00
                             f8 01 00 00 00 00 00 00
00000070 08 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   1......
                             03 00 00 00 04 00 00 00
                                                   18.....
00000080 38 02 00 00 00 00 00 00
                             38 02 40 00 00 00 00 00
        38 02 40 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   18.0......
00000090
                              1c 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
[jacques@loki sample code]$
```

Shell commands

- The list of commands that you can use is quite large.
- There are probably a dozen or so that you will use all the time:
 - ls list files
 - cd change directory
 - gcc invoke the GNU C compiler
 - mkdir make a new directory
 - zip create an archive of multiple files
 - grep search for data which meet a specific search criteria.
- You can get a list of commands using *apropos* and *man*.

Shell commands

A shell command is made up of 3 parts:

- The verb or command you are issuing
- rightharpoonup switches or flags that you are including to alter the behaviour of the command.
- The arguments that the command will act on

Switches/flags: are typically optional

Arguments can be:

- ➤ Mandatory: single or multiple
- **≻**Optional

In the man pages optional items are placed in square brackets [].

Shell commands

The *NIX shell that you are using will provide to you a prompt. Just so you know it is ready for you to type something in.

On Loki, the prompt is: [jacques@loki 3380]\$

- An open square bracket: [
- your username
- (a)
- The name of the host (Loki)
- a space
- The name of the directory you are in
- A close square bracket:]
- A symbol to show your security access (for lack of a better description). Either "\$"==Normal or "#"==root

Shell Commands

As an example the ls command to <u>list</u> your files:

```
[jacques@loki mid-term]$ ls
extracts mail_all_extracts.sh midterm_mailer.pl w2021_3380_Midterm_email_test.csv
jb.tmp make_individual_user_extracts.sh README.TXT wip
```

with some switches:

```
[jacques@loki mid-term] $ ls -lt
total 408
-rw-rw-r--. 1 jacques jacques
                               503 Mar 10
                                            2021 README.TXT
-rwxrw-r--. 1 jacques jacques
                               1937 Mar 10
                                            2021 midterm mailer.pl
-rw-rw-r--. 1 jacques jacques
                               8416 Mar 10 2021 jb.tmp
drwxrwxr-x. 2 jacques jacques
                               4096 Mar 10 2021 extracts
-rwxrw-r--. 1 jacques jacques
                               440 Mar 10
                                            2021 mail all extracts.sh
drwxrwxr-x. 2 jacques jacques
                               4096 Mar 10
                                            2021 wip
                                            2021 make individual user extracts.sh
-rwxrw-r--. 1 jacques jacques
                               549 Mar 10
-rwx----. 1 jacques jacques 380106 Mar 10
                                            2021 w2021 3380 Midterm email test.csv
[jacques@loki mid-term]$
```

Shell Commands

With a parameter:

[jacques@loki mid-term]\$ ls README.TXT
README.TXT

With both switches and parameters:

```
[jacques@loki mid-term]$ ls -lt README.TXT
-rw-rw-r--. 1 jacques jacques 503 Mar 10 2021 README.TXT
[jacques@loki mid-term]$
```

The copy command with switches and two parameters:

```
[jacques@loki mid-term]$ cp -v README.TXT readme.copy
'README.TXT' -> 'readme.copy'
[jacques@loki mid-term]$
```

STDIN, STDOUT and STDERR

- Might also be mentioned as SYSIN, SYSOUT and SYSERR
- These are the three I/O channels opened for you by default when you create a process.
- You can, for commands that you issue from your shell, change the default target of these file descriptors.
- This is known as redirection.

Redirection and PIPEs

• You can use the > and/or the < symbols as operators to redirect STDIN and STDOUT.

e.g.

- command < input filename</pre>
- command > output filename
- e.g. who $-a > all_logged_in_users.txt$
- In addition, you can use the PIPE operator | to tie the STDOUT of one command to the STDIN of another command

e.g.

Data streams

One of the main philosophies behind UNIX is to write a piece of code once and make it flexible enough to be used in a variety of situations.

The idea behind this is that you can then deal with large volumes of data and extract different results using the exact same tools.

Once you develop familiarity with the tools, there's no need to go off and write applications specific to your current problem (in many cases).

Shell scripts

A shell script is simply a flat text file which contains a series of commands that you want to execute.

It is a "program" made up of normal command line verbs for the shell to interpret.

You do not need to include the system prompt inside your shell scripts.

The objective of the script file is to eliminate the repetition required to run a sequence of commands over and over again.

References:

https://www.tldp.org/LDP/abs/html/index.html
https://www.gnu.org/software/bash/manual/

Shell scripts - variables

Shell scripts have access to three types of variables:

- 1. Environment variables for the current process
 - \$LOGNAME
 - **2.** \$HOME
 - 3. \$HOSTNAME
- 2. Parameters passed to the script via the command line.

```
if [-z "$1"] then
echo "missing argument on the command line"
exit 1;
fi
```

The –z tests the string to see if it is of zero length.

Shell scripts - variables

3. Shell scripts can build their own local variables from either the output of certain commands or by combining existing variables.

ARCHIVE_NAME=\${FIRSTNAME}_\${LASTNAME}_\$1.zip

- All variables are prefixed with a \$. When combining existing variables it is safest to enclose the name in curly braces \${HOME}.
- \$1, \$2, \$3... are the command line parameters. The "words" which follow the script name on the command line

Note: There can't be ANY spaces on either side of the equal sign.

Shell scripts - Conditionals

Shell scripts can also contain flow control structures:

Environment Variables:

```
jacques@UBU64vm:~$ env
SESSION=ubuntu
GPG AGENT INFO=/run/user/1000/keyring-ZtvBwH/gpg:0:1
TERM=xterm
SHELL=/bin/bash
USER=jacques
PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/u
   sr/games:/usr/local/games
DESKTOP SESSION=ubuntu
PWD=/home/jacques
HOME=/home/jacques
LOGNAME=jacques
DISPLAY=: 0
XDG CURRENT DESKTOP=Unity
```

PS1 and PS2: You can change your command prompt to a string or combinations of a number of preset shortcut values: (PS2 is used for line continuations after a \)

Typically, PS1 is set to: PS1="\u@\h>"

You can type: echo \$P\$1 to find its current setting.

```
jacques@UBU64vm:~$ PS1="\u> "
jacques> PS1="\h> "
UBU64vm> cd Music/
jacques@UBU64vm> PS1="\w> "
~/Music>

\u - Username
\h - Hostname
\w - Full pathname of current directory. Please note that when you are in the home directory, this will display only ~ as shown above

Note that there is a space at the end in the value of PS1. Personally, I prefer a space at the end of the prompt for better readability.
```

What shell am I running and what gets set by default?

```
jacques@UBU64vm> cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
pulse:x:115:122:PulseAudio daemon,,,:/var/run/pulse:/bin/false
jacques:x:1000:1000:jacques,,,:/home/jacques:/bin/bash
sshd:x:116:65534::/var/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
postfix:x:117:125::/var/spool/postfix:/bin/false
statd:x:118:65534::/var/lib/nfs:/bin/false
mysql:x:119:127:MySQL Server,,,:/nonexistent:/bin/false
jamie:x:1001:1001:Jamie Mitchell,113,,:/home/jamie:/bin/bash
cert:x:1002:1002::/home/cert:
Or:
```

Your shell environment allows you to "create" your own command names/verbs. These are called aliases.

Let's say you always want to see the last 10 files modified in your current directory. Nice to have if your code creates files or if you can't remember what you changed last. Maybe where you left off last session?

To do this, you would issue:

jacques@UBU64vm> ls -lt | head -n 10

It can get quite boring retyping this all of the time. Even retrieving the command using up arrow can be tedious.

In your shell environment, you can create an ALIAS for this command. You can then use the alias instead of retyping the whole line.

jacques@UBU64vm> alias t10="ls -lt | head -n 10"

You can then type in the verb "t10" when you want to see the top 10 last modified files.

Since shell scripting is just like writing programs, you can also define "functions" that can be used in your code.

Aliases are static in their definition.

Functions can be passed parameters.

let's say you know that a filename you created contains the word "test" in it.

At the command line you would type: ls -lt *test*

That's a lot of typing if you need to check for a number of different name patterns: test, exam or was it quiz?

In bash, you can define a function using this syntax:

```
functionName() { the bash code you want to run including $1, $2...; }
```

In our example, we could write something like:

```
lt() { /bin/ls -lt *${1}*; };
```

we can then, at the command line, execute this function (much like an alias) but now, we can add parameters to the command line!

```
[jacques@loki ~]$ lt student
-rwxr--r--. 1 jacques jacques 2119 Oct   4 15:45 restore_student_account.sh
-rwxr--r--. 1 jacques jacques 2175 Oct   4 15:45 remove_student_account.sh

[jacques@loki ~]$ lt test
-rwxr--r--. 1 jacques jacques   858 Aug   9 13:05 mime_mail_test.pl
-rwxrwx---. 1 jacques jacques 18064 Jan 28 2021 test3.html
-rwxrwx---. 1 jacques jacques   59 Jan   5 2021 test.txt
-rwxrwx---. 1 jacques jacques   305 Sep 14 2020 test_colours.pl
[jacques@loki ~]$
```

When you first log onto Loki, the O/S automatically runs a "set-up" script for you.

It is called .bashrc (notice the period which makes it a hidden file! use Is -a)

You can define functions and aliases inside your .bashrc.

The definitions will therefore be reinstated every time you log into the server.

You can now customize your command line experience!

Just remember: it is NOT a good idea to incorporate aliases and functions defined in your .bashrc inside your independent shell script!!!

.bashrc

```
jacques@UBU64vm> ls -lt .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 jacques jacques 3669 Nov 5 16:54 .bashrc
jacques@UBU64vm> cat .bashrc
# ~/.bashrc: executed by bash(1) for non-login shells.
# see /usr/share/doc/bash/examples/startup-files (in the package bash-doc)
# for examples
# If not running interactively, don't do anything
case $- in
   *i*) ;;
     *) return;;
esac
# for setting history length see HISTSIZE and HISTFILESIZE in bash(1)
HISTSIZE=1000
HISTFILESIZE=2000
# some more ls aliases
alias ll='ls -alF'
alias la='ls -A'
alias l='ls -CF'
alias t10='ls -lt | head -n 10'
```

The System Environment

jacques@UBU64vm> top

```
top - 09:20:49 up 19 min, 2 users, load average: 0.01, 0.02, 0.05
Tasks: 327 total, 1 running, 326 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 0.3 us, 0.3 sy, 0.0 ni, 99.3 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
KiB Mem: 2042668 total, 919764 used, 1122904 free, 66856 buffers
KiB Swap: 1046524 total, 0 used, 1046524 free. 374252 cached Mem
                 NI
                                     SHR S %CPU %MEM
 PID USER
              PR
                       VIRT
                              RES
                                                        TIME+ COMMAND
                     297476 49264 15744 S 1.3 2.4
                                                      0:05.27 Xorg
1895 root
              20
                             18816
                                   12432 S
2931 jacques
              20
                     649060
                                            0.7
                                                      0:02.35 gnome-term+
                                                 0.9
                            4168 2908 S
                     361584
                                            0.3 0.2
                                                      0:00.89 ibus-daemon
2555 jacques
             20
                 0 205152 3312 2736 S 0.3 0.2
2655 jacques
             20
                                                      0:00.29 ibus-engin+
              20 0 1293568 73520 38468 S 0.3 3.6
                                                      0:03.61 compiz
2783 jacques
   1 root
                                            0.0 0.2
              20
                      33888
                            3256 1476 S
                                                      0:01.70 init
```

The System Environment

```
jacques@UBU64vm> jacques@loki ~]$ uname -a
Linux loki.trentu.ca 3.10.0-514.26.2.el7.x86_64 #1 SMP Tue Jul 4
   15:04:05 UTC 2017 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
jacques@UBU64vm>

[jacques@loki ~]$ ls /etc -1 | grep -e release
centos-release
centos-release-upstream
os-release
redhat-release
system-release
system-release
system-release
CentOS Linux release 7.3.1611 (Core)
```

The System Environment

The filesystem organization:

```
jacques@UBU64vm:~$ df -h
Filesystem
             Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
udev
      987M 4.0K 987M
                             1% /dev
      200M 1.2M 199M 1% /run
tmpfs
/dev/sda1
         58G 25G 31G 45% /
                    0 4.0K 0% /sys/fs/cgroup
           4.0K
none
                     0 5.0M 0% /run/lock
             5.0M
none
          998M 152K 998M 1% /run/shm
none
             100M 36K 100M 1% /run/user
none
jacques@UBU64vm:~$
```

The System Environment

The file system table:

```
jacquesabeland@loki:~> cat /etc/fstab
/dev/sda1
                                                        defaults
                                                                                0 0
                                             swap
/dev/sda2
                                                        acl, user xattr
                                             ext3
                                                                                1 1
                                                        defaults
                                                                                0 0
                      /proc
proc
                                            proc
sysfs
                      /sys
                                            sysfs
                                                                                0 0
                                                        noauto
                      /sys/kernel/debug
debugfs
                                            debugfs
                                                        noauto
                                                                                0 0
devpts
                      /dev/pts
                                            devpts
                                                        mode=0620, qid=5
                                                                                0 0
                      /home/common
/dev/sdb1
                                            ext3
                                                        acl, user xattr
                                                                                1 2
```

jacquesabeland@loki:~>

On Loki:

```
jacques@loki ~|$ cat /etc/fstab
 /etc/fstab
 Created by anaconda on Sun Feb 19 19:19:13 2017
 Accessible filesystems, by reference, are maintained under '/dev/disk'
 See man pages fstab(5), findfs(8), mount(8) and/or blkid(8) for more info
UUID=e2c92a30-4550-4fbc-aeec-e67712e82084 /
                                                                   ext.4
                                                                           defaults
                                                                                            1 1
                                                                           defaults, usrquota 1 2
UUID=6fba1999-27ea-4faa-8523-f35ab22bc7cd /home
                                                                   ext4
UUID=6164653f-2cd5-4b92-89d7-9ac6f160d304 swap
                                                                           defaults
                                                                                            0 0
                                                                   swap
                                                                                               38
[jacques@loki ~]$
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> ls
                                                                          SOM BMU Animation gnuplot.7z
AMS 0 1.qp
                          eicar.txt
                                                        perl
                                                                          ssl-ccs-injection.nse
AMS 0 1.gp~
                          examples.desktop
                                                        Pictures
                                                                         stellarium
AMS 10 1000.gp
                          loki logs
                                                       Public
                          Jamies solution Archive.zip set proxy.sh
Desktop
                                                                          t.sql
                          linux 3.13.0-35.62.diff.gz
                                                        set proxy.sh~
Documents
                                                                          update-manager.sh
dosbox
                          linux 3.13.0-35.62.dsc
                                                        shellshock
                                                                          Videos
                          linux 3.13.0.orig.tar.gz
Downloads
                                                        shellshock.txt
                                                                          vmware tools
eicar.com
                          Music
                                                        SMTP Syntax.txt
eicar com.zip
                                                        software.txt
                          old school
jacques@UBU64vm>
jacques@UBU64vm> ls -a
                           .gconf
                                                        README.txt
                          get zone1 memberships.sql
                                                        README.txt~
                          get zone1 memberships.sql~
AMS 0 1.qp
                                                        Research
AMS 0 1.gp~
                           .gimp-2.8
                                                        set proxy.sh
AMS 10 1000.gp
                          gnuplot
                                                        set proxy.sh~
AMS 10 1000.gp~
                           .gnuplot history
                                                        shellshock
apt proxy settings
                          .gnuplot-wxt
                                                        shellshock.txt
.bash history
                           .gstreamer-0.10
                                                        SMTP Syntax.txt
.bash loqout
                                                        software.txt
                           .qvfs
.bashrc
                          Hello survey.html
                                                        SOM BMU Animation gnuplot.7z
                          hist.1
.bashrc~
                                                        ssh
binary file as html.html
                          hist.2
                                                        ssl-ccs-injection.nse
                           .hplip
.cache
                                                        stellarium
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> ls -lt
total 124896
drwxrwxr-x 6 jacques jacques
                                 20480 Jan 13 08:10 loki logs
-rwxrwx--- 1 jacques jacques
                                   911 Jan 12 12:54 commands.info
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                   349 Jan 12 12:26 test perl.pl~
-rwxrwxr-x 1 jacques jacques
                                    70 Jan 12 12:11 test script.sh~
-rw-r--r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                  9650 Jan 12 08:48 q
drwxrwxr-x 5 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Jan 12 08:42 Trent teaching
                                   238 Jan 12 08:32 hist.2
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                  2235 Jan 12 08:31 hist.1
drwxr-xr-x 7 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Jan 7 12:12 public html
drwxr-xr-x 3 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Jan 1 15:22 Desktop
drwxrwxr-x 4 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Dec 16 14:46 dosbox
drwxrwxr-x 4 jacques jacques
                                 12288 Dec 7 15:30 random
drwxrwxr-x 2 jacques jacques
                                 69632 Dec 7 11:22 perl
drwxr-xr-x 3 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Nov 25 20:22 vmware tools
                                 53012 Oct 27 20:52 software.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 jacques jacques
----- 1 jacques jacques
                                 36223 Sep 20 16:25 Jamies solution Archive.
```

Pipes, Filters and squeezing out the results you want:

```
jacques@UBU64vm> alias
alias egrep='egrep --color=auto'
alias fgrep='fgrep --color=auto'
alias grep='grep --color=auto'
alias l='ls -CF'
alias la='ls -A'
alias ll='ls -alF'
alias ls='ls --color=auto'
alias t10='ls -lt | head -n 10'
jacques@UBU64vm> t10
total 124896
                                 20480 Jan 13 08:10 loki logs
drwxrwxr-x 6 jacques jacques
                                   911 Jan 12 12:54 commands.info
-rwxrwx--- 1 jacques jacques
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                   349 Jan 12 12:26 test perl.pl~
                                    70 Jan 12 12:11 test script.sh~
-rwxrwxr-x 1 jacques jacques
-rw-r--r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                  9650 Jan 12 08:48 q
drwxrwxr-x 5 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Jan 12 08:42 Trent teaching
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                   238 Jan 12 08:32 hist.2
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques
                                  2235 Jan 12 08:31 hist.1
drwxr-xr-x 7 jacques jacques
                                  4096 Jan 7 12:12 public html
```

Redirecting of input or output:

```
command > destination_filename
command < input_data_stream</pre>
```

More Basic Commands

Other commands:

grep: search within files for specific patterns.

awk: filter/extract portions of a file

date: returns the current system date

wc: word count (counts lines, words and bytes)

sort: sorts a file (based on command line parameters)

touch: Creates an empty file in the target directory

rsync: a fast, versatile, remote (and local) file-copying tool

tar – Creates a tar archive of the source files.

grep

grep allows you to look into a stream of data (or a file), and extract "lines" which meet a search criteria.

grep –e "pattern" filename

e.g.

```
[jacques@loki ~]$ grep -e jacques /etc/passwd
jacquesabeland:x:1001:1001::/home/jacquesabeland:/bin/bash
jacques:x:1002:1003::/home/jacques:/bin/bash
```

awk

awk is VERY powerful. We could probably spend a whole lecture on each of awk and grep.

For our purposes, we can use *awk* to extract specific columns of data from a stream.

Columns are defined using a "field separator" definition. If we don't specify one, BLANK is used.

Let's take the output from our grep and only show the first and last column (if you don't want to count, \$NF is a variable which holed the numeric value of the last column)

```
e.g.
$ grep -e jacques /etc/passwd | awk -F: '{print $1,$NF}'
jacquesabeland /bin/bash
jacques /bin/bash
```

More Basic Commands

We'll leave exploring date, we and a few others for lab0.

You should really sign on and play with this, it will help you not panic when you hit the first assignment! Not that it is overly hard. It is however alien to most of you.

Basic Commands - Variables

Capturing command output to a shell variable.

```
jacques@UBU64vm> VARIABLE=`date -I`
jacques@UBU64vm> echo $VARIABLE
2016-01-13
jacques@UBU64vm> tar -zcvf my backup ${VARIABLE}.tar.gz *.txt
eicar.txt
myfiles.txt
new filename.txt
new names.txt
README.txt
shellshock.txt
SMTP Syntax.txt
software.txt
student names.txt
jacques@UBU64vm> ls -lt *.qz
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques 232933 Jan 13 13:21 my backup 2016-01-13.tar.gz
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

A shell script is just a collection of commands you would normally enter at the keyboard. Simply add them to a text file.

```
jacques@UBU64vm> cat backup_text.sh
#!/bin/bash
VARIABLE = `date -I`
echo $VARIABLE
tar -zcvf my_backup_${VARIABLE}.tar.gz *.txt
echo .....
echo
ls -lt my_backup_${VARIABLE}.tar.gz
echo Done !

jacques@UBU64vm:~$ ls -lt backup_text.sh
-rw_rw_r-r__ 1 jacques jacques 124 Oct 27 14:03 backup_text.sh
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm:~$ bash backup text.sh
2016-10-27
eicar.txt
                                                 VARIABLE= `date -I`
myfiles.txt
                                                 echo ${VARIABLE}
                                                 tar -zcvf my backup ${VARIABLE}.tar.gz *.txt
new names.txt
                                                 echo ....
                                                 echo
README.txt
                                                 ls -lt my backup ${VARIABLE}.tar.gz
shellshock.txt
                                                 echo Done!
SMTP Syntax.txt
software.txt
student names.txt
. . . . .
-rw-rw-r-- 1 jacques jacques 237774 Oct 27 14:05 my backup 2016-10-27.tar.gz
Done!
jacques@UBU64vm:~$
```

Had to call up a copy of *bash* and use the filename as the name of the script file for *bash* to execute.

Change the file mode to allow for execution:

Perl is also a scripting language....

```
jacques@UBU64vm> cat ./loki logs/code and data/test perl.pl
#!/usr/bin/perl specify the language of execution
use strict;
while (1==1)
  my \quad snow = time();
  print "$now -> ";
  my ($seconds, $minutes, $hours, $day of month, $month, $year, $wday, $yday,
   $isdst) = localtime($now);
  my $ts = sprintf("%4d-%02d-%02d %02d:%02d:%02d
   ", $year+1900, $month+1, $day of month, $hours, $minutes, $seconds);
             "$ts \n";
  print
 sleep(3);
} # loop forever
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> ./test_perl.pl
bash: ./test_perl.pl: Permission denied

jacques@UBU64vm> chmod u+x test_perl.pl

jacques@UBU64vm> ./test_perl.pl
    ./test_perl.pl: line 1: use: command not found
    ./test_perl.pl: line 5: syntax error near unexpected token `('
    ./test_perl.pl: line 5: ` my $now = time();'
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

The first line is ANY script should start with a pointer to which script engine should be used to interpret the code.

This is known as the she-bang line: #!

For a perl script... Or bash, how do you know?

The first line in the perl script should then be: #!/usr/bin/perl

When you do this:

```
jacques@UBU64vm> ./test_perl.pl

1452710561 -> 2016-01-13 13:42:41

1452710564 -> 2016-01-13 13:42:44

1452710567 -> 2016-01-13 13:42:47

(what other way could you get this script to run without the she-bang line?)
```

Bash scripts should then start with #!/usr/bin/bash.

Shell script — command line parameters

Here's a quick script:

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
if [ ! -z $1 ];
  then echo "First parameter is $1";
fi

if [ ! -z $2 ];
  then echo -n "Second parameter is $2 ";
fi

if [ ! -z $3 ];
  then echo "and the third parameter is $3";
  else echo " ";
Fi

verb="tar -zcvf my_backup_$1_$2.tar.gz $3"
  echo "The command that would be executed is: $verb"
echo "Done..."
```

```
if [ -f "$FILENAME" ] ; then
The file exists! check if a file exists
fi

if [ -d "$DIRNAME" ] ; then
directory exists
fi check if the directory exists/passed
directory name actually exists
see: https://linuxize.com/post/bash-check-if-file-exists/
```

In bash, the command line parameters can be accessed as \$1, \$2, \$3...

Shell Scripts - Loops

```
jacques@newton$ cat do all.sh
#!/bin/bash
for f in nr 0*; do
    TS=`date`
    echo Starting ${f} at ${TS} >> do_all.journal
    perl /research/5 get bulk SED.pl ${f}
    perl /research/6 load SED table.pl
    COUNT=`ls -1 ./SED/Processed/*.SED | wc -1`
    echo Found ${COUNT} SEDs >> do all.journal
    7z a ${f} SED.7z ./SED
    rm *.log
    rm ./SED/Processed/*
done
NOTE: Notice the lack of documentation! Bad style!
```

Building
a
shell
script

Building a shell script

A shell script is just a flat text file that contains lines of code you could have typed in at the command line.

You can crate these lines in a file using the "nano" editor.

How do you do that?

[jacques@loki 3380]\$ nano myscript.sh

In this course, you'll be required to "compile" your C programs.

At the command line, the syntax for compiling is:

```
[jacques@loki 3380]$ gcc -o binary source_code.c
```

where the —o option identifies the name of the compiled program (binary image) your source_code.c will create.

- If you get the order of the fields wrong, you might overwrite your code.
- If you make TONS of changes between compiles, you can't go back to a previous version. Linux doesn't have "versioning" on files like VMS does.

Let's make a script that:

- Uses a source code filename from the command line
- Makes a backup copy
- Names the binary with the same name as the source (without the .c)

The following slides show us snippets of the whole bash script file.

INCLUDING PROPER DOCUMENTATION!

```
#!/usr/bin/bash
#
  This routine accepts from the command line a filename
# it assumes that the file is the prefix for a .c source
# code file.
#
# It then makes a backup copy and then compiles the code into a binary
#
# Did the user put a filename on the command line?
#
if [-z $1]; then
  echo Usage:
  echo
           compile filename
  exit 1
                     error condition "1" because user did not enter the argument
fi
                     this 1 is used to set the exit status
#
```

```
#
  take the first parameter on the command line as the name of the file we want to
  compile. If the user accidentally uses the source code filename, strip off
# everything after the first period.
#
                                awk is going to use "." as a field seperator and create 2 columns
FILENAME='echo \{1\} | awk -\vec{F}. '{print \{1\}'
                                                             display the name of the file
SOURCE="${FILENAME}.c"
#
#
# Does the source code file exist?
#
if [!-f ${SOURCE}]; then
  echo the filename ${SOURCE} does not exist?
  exit 2
                if the source code file does not exists then exit status = 2
fi
#
#
```

```
#
# Now we make a backup copy of the source. We tag to the end of the filename
# a timestamp (# of seconds since the beginning of the year). This will give
# us multiple fallback points. We'll have to clean those up later.
#
TIMESTAMP=`date +%s`
#
BACKUP_NAME=${SOURCE}_${TIMESTAMP} create a backup of the filename_timestamp
#
echo Backing up ${SOURCE} to ${BACKUP_NAME}
#
cp ${SOURCE} ${BACKUP_NAME}
```

#

```
gcc - name of the compiler
# Now we compile the code
# Notice that if there are extra libraries required this
# routine will need to be modified to include them.
                                                                       There are 3 file descriptors
#
                                                                       STDERR is file descriptor number 2
                                                                       file descriptor number 1 will redirect everything
  The routine captures any compile time errors into a file
                                                                       into the file mentioned before
# for review
#
LOGFILE=${FILENAME} compile.log
                                                if there are errors then everythign is redirected to the LOGFILE
#
         output file name - this is a binary file
gcc -o ${FILENAME} ${SOURCE} > ${LOGFILE} 2>&1
                                                                       we capture everything into the file so
                      file being compiled name
                                                                       we don't miss any errors as error show while script
                                                                       continues running (if its not showstopping)
# Find out how many lines were output to the log file
LOGSIZE='wc -1 ${LOGFILE} | awk '{print $1}'
if [${LOGSIZE} -gt 0]; then
  echo There were errors found during the compile. Press q to exit
  less ${LOGFILE}
 else
  echo -e "\tyour code compiled cleanly"
fi
```

```
#
#
# Now we suggest to the user that they cleanup their backup copies
# should they have more than 4 backups.
#
                                                _*: anything after underscore
COUNT=' ls -1 ${SOURCE} * | wc -1 '
                                                so all timestamps will be shown
#
echo -e "\tI found ${COUNT} backup files"
#
if [ ${COUNT} -gt 4]; then
 TO BE REMOVED=$(( ${COUNT} - 4))
                                               if we have 8 files then we are doing 8-4 and strong the number
                                               in the variable to_be_removed
 echo
 echo -e "\tTime to clean up. ${TO BE REMOVED} file to be purged"
 echo -e "\t to delete them copy-paste this command"
 RMLIST='ls -1 ${SOURCE} * | tail -n ${TO BE REMOVED}'
 echo
 echo rm ${RMLIST}
 echo
fi
```

Let's test out code:

Notice a lot of different testing just like you should do for your assignments!

there should be if blocks to test different cases such as directory name does not exists

[jacques@loki 3380]\$./compile.sh snorlax.c the filename snorlax.c does not exist?

[jacques@loki 3380]\$./compile.sh fred.c

Backing up fred.c to fred.c_1673370328

your code compiled cleanly

I found 6 backup files

Time to clean up. 2 files to be purged to delete them copy-paste this command

rm fred.c 1673370059 fred.c 1673370328

All Done

[jacques@loki 3380]\$./compile.sh fred Backing up fred.c to fred.c_1673370331 your code compiled cleanly I found 7 backup files

Time to clean up. 3 files to be purged to delete them copy-paste this command

rm fred.c_1673370059 fred.c_1673370328 fred.c_1673370331

All Done [jacques@loki 3380]\$

With errors in the code

Output from the less command

```
fred.c: In function 'main':
  fred.c:7:3: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-in function 'printf' [enabled by default]
    printf("Hello World !!!\n);
    ^
  fred.c:7:10: warning: missing terminating " character [enabled by default]
    printf("Hello World !!!\n);
    ^
  fred.c:7:3: error: missing terminating " character
    printf("Hello World !!!\n);
    ^
  fred.c:9:1: error: expected expression before '}' token
  }
    ^
  fred.c:9:1: error: expected ';' before '}' token
  fred_compile.log (END)
```

This is all well and good if the compile.sh script resides in the directory you are working in.

If not, you have to type in the complete path to the compile.sh every time you want to run it

[jacques@loki Assignment1]\$ /home/jacques/3380/compile.sh fred.c

That's a LOT of typing. Maybe it is not worth it?

try to stay in the directory of the file so we don't have to type the entire path for it to find the file

Let's define a *function* in our .bashrc file which includes the path.

This way we create our own VERB for bash an we can run it from anywhere.

```
cc() {/home/jacques/3380/compile.sh *${1}*; };
```

```
The new .bashrc function in action:
jacques@loki 3380]$ cc hello world
Backing up 1 hello world.c to 1 hello world.c 1673371633
        your code compiled cleanly
        I found 1 backup files
All Done
[jacques@loki 3380]$ cd lab4
[jacques@loki lab4]$ ls *.c
lab4 fork and copy.c
                        every time i write 'cc' it runs the path i mentioned above
[jacques@loki lab4]$ cc lab4 fork and copy.c
Backing up lab4 fork and copy.c to lab4 fork and copy.c 1673371667
        your code compiled cleanly
        I found 1 backup files
All Done
```

Combining commands and verbs as filters for a data stream

Everything is a file!

Everything in *NIX is treated as a stream of bytes.

So you can take the stream and pass it through multiple "filters" (processes) to massage the data to get what you are looking for.

Streams of data - mining

A simple example:

cert.

```
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -e jacques /etc/passwd
jacques:x:1000:1000:jacques,,,:/home/jacques:/bin/bash
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -e jacques /etc/passwd | wc -1
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -e jacques /etc/passwd | awk -F : '{print $7}'
/bin/bash
                                                             field separator is colon
                                                             print 7th column
jacques@UBU64vm>
jacques@UBU64vm> tail -n 10 /etc/passwd | awk -F : '{print $1, $7}'
colord /bin/false
                    tail shows last 10 lines in passwd file
                                                       show column 1 & 7
hplip /bin/false
pulse /bin/false
jacques /bin/bash
sshd /usr/sbin/nologin
postfix /bin/false
statd /bin/false
mysql /bin/false
jamie /bin/bash
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> du -sch access*
1.6M
        access log
1.6M access log~
4.6M access log-20141218 ...
7.5M access log-20151208
5.7M access log-20151210
4.1M
        access log-20151217
243M
        total
jacques@UBU64vm>
jacques@UBU64vm> wc -l access*
     5679 access log
   17394 access log-20141218
   16862 access log-20141222
   18121 access log-20141230...
   27324 access log-20151208
   17364 access log-20151210
    11293 access log-20151217
   819447 total
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e beland access log | head -n 3
24.235.228.125 - - [18/Dec/2015:04:24:05 -0500] "GET
   /~jacquesabeland/add_card.php HTTP/1.1" 200 1105 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows
   NT 10.0; WOW64; rv:4\overline{2}.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/42.0"
24.235.228.125 - - [23/Dec/2015:10:15:39 -0500] "GET
   /~jacquesabeland/duck.html HTTP/1.1" 200 436 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT
   10.0; WOW64; rv:43.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/43.0"
24.235.228.125 - - [23/Dec/2015:10:15:40 -0500] "GET /~jacquesabeland/Duck.jpg
   HTTP/1.1" 200 48245 "http://loki.trentu.ca/~jacquesabeland/duck.html"
   "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; WOW64; rv:43.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/43.0"
jacques@UBU64vm>
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e beland access log | wc -l
355
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e beland access log* | wc -l
3211
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e beland access* | awk -F \ '{print $1}'|sort -u
104.158.13.39
                                                                               sort all IP
                                                                               addresses and give
157.55.39.210
                                                                               only unique values
172.25.130.63    Private non-routable network (a.k.a. Trent)
172.25.131.213
172.25.65.53
                                                                   There's a blank here!!!
172.25.66.197
172.25.66.86
172.25.67.139
172.25.67.157
209.42.109.235
212.71.238.108
24.235.128.223 		Known Cogeco subnet (Home network)
24.235.149.239
24.235.196.174
24.235.213.52
24.235.228.125
68.235.177.16
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

Let's look at ALL of the access logs we have:

The slash at the end allows us to continue more long line of command in next line

```
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e beland access* |awk -F \ '{print $1}'|sort -u \
> | while read i; do wget -O $i.txt http://ipinfo.io/$i 2>NULL; done
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

The single > above is PS2 (the second prompt string). It is triggered because I finished the first line with a \.

Not to be confused with an output redirection!

read command uses STDIN

```
Results:
jacques@UBU64vm> ls *.txt
104.158.13.39.txt 172.25.140.228.txt 172.25.159.248.txt 172.25.67.139.txt
157.55.39.210.txt
                172.25.140.75.txt
                                  172.25.64.135.txt
                                                  172.25.67.157.txt
172.25.130.63.txt 172.25.144.205.txt 172.25.64.136.txt
                                                   209.42.109.235.txt 68.235.177.16.txt
172.25.131.213.txt 172.25.144.83.txt 172.25.65.24.txt
                                                   212.71.238.108.txt
172.25.133.130.txt 172.25.148.203.txt 172.25.65.53.txt
                                                   24.235.128.223.txt
172.25.137.102.txt 172.25.151.40.txt 172.25.66.197.txt 24.235.149.239.txt
                                  172.25.66.86.txt
172.25.137.145.txt 172.25.153.4.txt
                                                   24.235.196.174.txt
jacques@UBU64vm> rm 24.235*
                                  rm is remove
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -e "country\|city" * txt
104.158.13.39.txt: "city": "Peterborough",
104.158.13.39.txt: "country": "CA",
157.55.39.210.txt:
                       "city": "Redmond",
157.55.39.210.txt:
                      "country": "US",
209.42.109.235.txt: "city": "Peterborough",
```

209.42.109.235.txt:

68.235.177.16.txt:

68.235.177.16.txt:

jacques@UBU64vm>

212.71.238.108.txt: "city": "",

212.71.238.108.txt: "country": "GB",

"country": "CA",

"country": "CA",

"city": "Greater Sudbury",

line that has a country or a city in it

24.235.213.52.txt

24.235.228.125.txt

That is the OR symbol in the grep command and then put slash so command line does not think it is a pipe symbol

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Hmmm. I've never been to Washington State and I haven't been in Great Britain since 1985!!!

What about the warn log files?

Build a regular expression of what a pattern is for an IP address this is like creating of what IP addresses look like.

```
jacques> grep -o '[0-9]\\{1,3\\}\.[0-9]\\{1,3\\}\.[0-9]\\{1,3\\}\ warn
222.255.46.44
                          so looking for an IP address inside a data file where it is not exactly the first column.
222.255.46.44
222,255,46,44
222.255.46.44
                            [] - define the characters allowed inside
                            [0-9]\ numbers allowed
                            {1,3\} i want 1 digit to 3 digits long
222,255,46,44
                                                                               grep -e
                            \. followed by period
                                                                               grep ' ' -> this is the pattern we want
222.255.46.44
                                                                               so we are not using e
91.201.236.114
91.201.236.114
                                                                        grep -n shakespeare -> will tell line number followed
                                                                        by line
```

jacques@UBU64vm>

warn is the file name

```
jacques@UBU64vm> wget -O t.t http://ipinfo.io/222.255.46.44
--2016-01-13 10:30:17-- http://ipinfo.io/222.255.46.44
Resolving ipinfo.io (ipinfo.io)... 54.209.230.199, 54.164.24.149, 52.6.165.90
Connecting to ipinfo.io (ipinfo.io) |54.209.230.199|:80... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 221 [application/json]
Saving to: 't.t'
                                                        --.-K/s in 0s
100%[===========] 221
2016-01-13 10:30:17 (45.2 MB/s) - 't.t' saved [221/221]
jacques@UBU64vm> cat t.t
 "ip": "222.255.46.44",
  "hostname": "dynamic.vdc.vn",
  "city": "Hanoi",
 "region": "Thanh Pho Ha Noi",
 "country": "VN",
  "loc": "21.0333,105.8500",
  "org": "AS7643 Vietnam Posts and Telecommunications (VNPT)"
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> wget -O t.t http://ipinfo.io/91.201.236.114
--2016-01-13 10:31:11-- http://ipinfo.io/91.201.236.114
Resolving ipinfo.io (ipinfo.io)... 54.164.24.149, 52.6.165.90, 54.209.230.199
Connecting to ipinfo.io (ipinfo.io) |54.164.24.149|:80... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 175 [application/json]
Saving to: 't.t'
                                                    --.-K/s in 0s
100%[==========] 175
2016-01-13 10:31:11 (10.1 MB/s) - 't.t' saved [175/175]
jacques@UBU64vm> cat t.t
 "ip": "91.201.236.114",
 "hostname": "No Hostname",
 "city": "",
 "region": "",
 "loc": "50.4500,30.5233",
 "org": "AS44446 Qwalarty Corporation"
```

jacques@UBU64vm>

Let's do ALL of the WARN logs

```
jacques> PS2="--> "
Jacques>grep -h -o '[0-9]\\{1,3\}\.[0-9]\\{1,3\}\.[0-9]\\{1,3\}\.[0-9]\\{1,3\}\.
  | sort -u | while read i; do wget -O $i.txt http://ipinfo.io/$i 2>NULL ; done
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e country *.txt | sort -u
  "country": "AE",
  "country": "AT",
  "country": "BR",
... "country": "EC",
  "country": "ES",
... "country": "HK",
  "country": "HU",
  "country": "ID",
  "country": "RU",
... "country": "US",
  "country": "VE",
  "country": "VN",
  "country": "ZA",
jacques@UBU64vm> # Traffic from 50 different countries !!!
```

```
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e jacquesabeland access log* | grep -e 404 |
    grep -o "GET /~jacquesabeland/[a-z]*" | sort -u | head -n 100
GET /~iacquesabeland/
GET /~jacquesabeland/a
GET /~jacquesabeland/abcdef
GET /~jacquesabeland/about
                                                 GET command comes when we were trying to access a web page so that
GET /~jacquesabeland/aboutus
                                                is one way to find who was trying to access a particular web page
GET /~jacquesabeland/access
GET /~jacquesabeland/accessibility
GET /~jacquesabeland/account
GET /~jacquesabeland/action
GET /~jacquesabeland/activ
GET /~jacquesabeland/whois
GET /~jacquesabeland/wiki
GET /~jacquesabeland/win
GET /~jacquesabeland/window
GET /~jacquesabeland/windows
GET /~jacquesabeland/wireless
GET /~jacquesabeland/wlan
GET /~jacquesabeland/wordpress
GET /~iacquesabeland/world
GET /~jacquesabeland/wp
GET /~jacquesabeland/write
GET /~jacquesabeland/ws
                                                                                                        83
```

. . .

```
jacques@UBU64vm> grep -h -e jacquesabeland access log* | grep -e 404 |
   grep -o '[0-9]\{1,3\}\.[0-9]\{1,3\}\.[0-9]\{\frac{1},3\}\.[0-9]\{1,3\}'
   | sort | uniq -c
     1 172.25.130.63
      1 172.25.137.145
     1 172.25.140.228
     2 172.25.140.75
     1 172.25.144.205
     2 172.25.148.203
     1 172.25.151.40
     1 172.25.65.24
     1 172.25.67.139
                         jacques@UBU64vm> cat 212.71.238.108.txt
      5 209.42.109.235
  2525 212.71.238.108
                           "ip": "212.71.238.108",
     43 24.235.228.125
                           "hostname": "li670-108.members.linode.com",
     1 68.235.177.16
                           "city": "",
                           "region": "",
jacques@UBU64vm>
                           "country": "GB",
                           "loc": "51.5000, -0.1300",
                           "org": "AS15830 TELECITYGROUP INTERNATIONAL LIMITED"
                         }jacques@UBU64vm>
```

Demo...

- Basic commands
 - mkdir & cd
 - ls with qualifiers: -1, -lt -lS
 - rm
 - who whoami
 - env
 - **grep**: search within files for specific patterns.
 - xargs: uses the data from a previous command as argument for the next.
 - awk: filter/extract portions of a file/stream
 - date: returns the current system date
 - wc: word count (counts lines, words and bytes)
 - sort: sorts a file/stream (based on command line parameters)
 - touch: Creates an empty file in the target directory
 - rsync: a fast, versatile, remote (and local) file-copying tool
 - tar Creates a tar archive of the source files.
 - gcc –o binary_name source_code.c
 - bash

The Shell Environment

After you log in:

```
jacques@UBU64vm:~$ whoami
Jacques
```

\$LOGNAME \$USER

```
jacques@UBU64vm:~$ pwd
/home/jacques
```

The Shell Environment

```
jacques@UBU64vm> who -a
           system boot 2016-01-13 09:01
           run-level 2 2016-01-13 09:01
                        2016-01-13 09:01
LOGIN
          tty4
                                                      1123 id=4
          tty5
                        2016-01-13 09:01
                                                      1128 id=5
LOGIN
                        2016-01-13 09:01
                                                      1135 id=2
LOGIN
          tty2
          tty3
                        2016-01-13 09:01
                                                      1136 id=3
LOGIN
LOGIN
          tty6
                        2016-01-13 09:01
                                                      1140 id=6
                        2016-01-13 09:02
                                                     1844 id=1
LOGIN
          tty1
         ?:0
                        2016-01-13 09:02
jacques
                                                      2455 (:0)
         + pts/9
                        2016-01-13 09:02
jacques
                                                      2931 (:0)
jacques + pts/0
                        2016-01-13 09:56 00:05
                                                      2931 (:0)
        + pts/23
                        2016-01-13 10:01
                                                      3199 (192.168.56.1)
cert
```

Basic Commands - rsync

```
D:\Trent_Teaching> ssh -l jacquesabeland loki.trentu.ca
Password:
Last login: Wed Jan 13 09:25:39 2016 from d24-235-228-125.homel.cgocable.net
jacquesabeland@loki:~> mkdir target
jacquesabeland@loki:~> cd target
jacquesabeland@loki:~/target> ls
jacquesabeland@loki:~/target>
```

Meanwhile back on UBU64vm:

```
jacques@UBU64vm> cd source
jacques@UBU64vm> pwd
/home/jacques/source
jacques@UBU64vm> ls
eicar.txt    new_names.txt    shellshock.txt    software.txt
myfiles.txt    README.txt    SMTP_Syntax.txt    student_names.txt
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

Basic Commands - rsync

rsync: a VERY useful remote backup tool

```
jacques@UBU64vm> rsync -rav * jacquesabeland@loki.trentu.ca:target/
Password:
sending incremental file list
                                             rsync is used for sunchronizing files and directories between different locations.
README . t.xt.
SMTP Syntax.txt
eicar.txt
                                -rav
                                r tells copy recuresively
myfiles.txt
                                a is shortcut for several options that preserve permissions, ownerships, timestamps and recuresive copying
                                v tells verbose output
new names.txt
                                * all files in current directory
shellshock.txt.
                                rest is the destination directory
software.txt
student names.txt
sent 568,082 bytes received 171 bytes 87,423.54 bytes/sec
total size is 567,414 speedup is 1.00
jacques@UBU64vm>
```

Basic Commands - rsync

On loki:

```
jacquesabeland@loki:~/target> ls
eicar.txt myfiles.txt new names.txt README.txt shellshock.txt SMTP Syntax.txt
   software.txt student names.txt
jacquesabeland@loki:~/target>
```

On UBU64vm:

```
jacques@UBU64vm> touch new filename.txt
                                                  touch updates the modification time for a file without changing contents
                                                  of the file
jacques@UBU64vm> 1s
eicar.txt
             new filename.txt README.txt
                                                 SMTP Syntax.txt student names.txt
myfiles.txt new names.txt
                                shellshock.txt software.txt
jacques@UBU64vm> rsync -rav * jacquesabeland@loki.trentu.ca:target/
Password:
sending incremental file list
new filename.txt
sent 273 bytes received 34 bytes 68.22 bytes/sec
total size is 567,414 speedup is 1,848.25
jacques@UBU64vm>
```