

Introduction to Ubuntu/Unix/Linux/Redhat:

1. Unix is a family of multitasking, multiuser computer operating systems that derive from the original AT&T Unix, whose development started in 1969 at the Bell Labs research centre by Ken Thompson, Dennis Ritchie, and others.
2. Almost the entire operating system is written in the C programming language, which allows Unix to operate on numerous platforms.
3. Unix allows direct communication with the computer via a terminal, hence being very interactive and giving the user direct control over the computer resources.
4. Unix is not free. So we use Ubuntu/Redhat etc.
5. We use unix-like os which are open source – what does that mean?
 - a. Open source software is code that is designed to be publicly accessible—anyone can see, modify, and distribute the code as they see fit. Open source software is developed in a decentralized and collaborative way, relying on peer review and community production. – You can directly modify what you need.
 - b. Example: Mozilla firefox, VLC, Libreoffice
6. Direct communication – commands for everything – via terminal.

Things you need to know about to write C programs in Ubuntu:

1. Terminal: The terminal (also known as console) is an application in which you can execute text commands directly.
2. vi/vim editor: The default editor that comes with the UNIX operating system is called vi (visual editor). Using vi editor, we can edit an existing

file or create a new file from scratch. we can also use this editor to just read a text file.

3. GCC: GCC stands for GNU Compiler Collections which is used to compile mainly C and C++ language.

How to open terminal and use it:

1. Application → Terminal
2. Common commands in Ubuntu: (after you write a command please press **enter**)
 - a. pwd: This command refers to the present working directory in which you are operating.
 - b. dir: The dir command is used to print (on the terminal) all the available directories in the present working directory
 - c. ls: This command is used to list down all the directories and files inside the present working directory
 - d. cd: you can change the directories in the terminal. Try **cd Desktop**
 - e. mkdir: It will make a directory in your pwd; for example, the command: **mkdir new** will make the directory “new” in pwd.
 - f. rm: This remove command is used to remove the specific file from a directory; (later)
 - g. cp: The cp command will help you to copy any file or folder to any directory (later)
 - h. man: The man command will help you to get the complete user manual of any specific command. (later)

Write and run a C code using the Terminal

1. Navigate to Desktop:
 - a. Command: `cd Desktop`
2. Create a folder with your name:
 - a. `mkdir yourname`
3. Change your pwd to this new directory/folder:
 - a. Command: `cd yourname`
4. Create a file with the name `prog1.c` using gedit editor:
 - a. Command: `gedit prog1.c`
5. Write your code here.
6. Save your file.
7. Go back to terminal.
8. Compile your code:
 - a. Command: **`gcc prog1.c`** (in case of any errors you will be notified here)
9. To run your code:
 - a. Command: **`./a.out`**