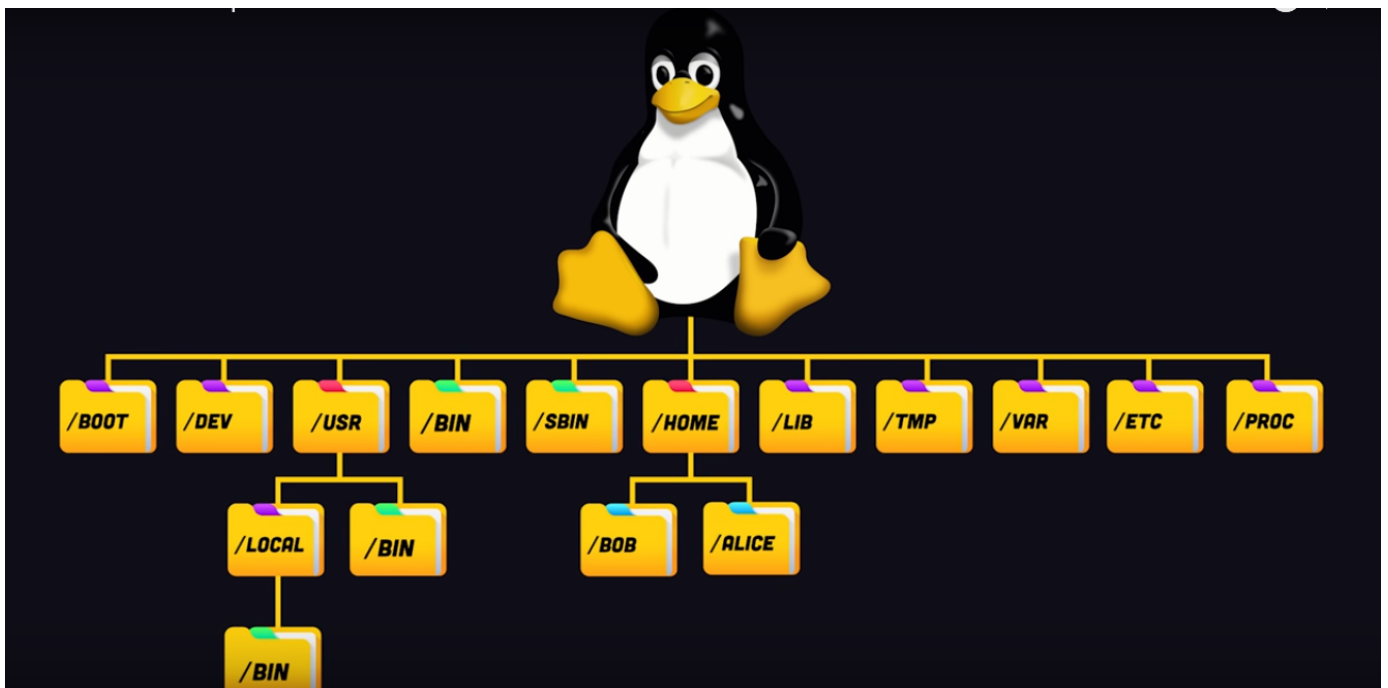


File system

links

- official standard by linux foundation <https://refspecs.linuxfoundation.org/fhs.shtml> (last one was released in june 3 2015)
 - https://refspecs.linuxfoundation.org/EHS_3.0/fhs-3.0.pdf pdf version
- <https://linuxhandbook.com/linux-directory-structure/>
- <https://www.linux.com/training-tutorials/linux-file-system-explained/>
- <https://cybersophia.net/training/linux-directory-structure-explained/>
- <https://www.howtogeek.com/117435/htg-explains-the-linux-directory-structure-explained/>
- 2 meanings
 - system that define how to store and retrieve data
 - the layout of directories on your storage media(that's what matters for us now)

the linux filesystem



0. /

- here it all begins!
 - the root directory(not to be confused with the /root)
 - the top level directory on linux
- `sudo rm -rf /` what can happen? **DONT DO THAT**

1. **/bin** :

- executables files that are essential for the system
- you know your ls command it's here! (do `ls | grep ls`)

2. **/sbin**:

- same as /bin but it can be run only by (super user) or root

3. **/lib and /lib64**

- Libraries are basically codes that can be used by the executable binaries. The /lib directory holds the libraries needed by the binaries in /bin and /sbin directories.
- Libraries needed by the binaries in the /usr/bin and /usr/sbin are located in the directory /usr/lib.

4. **/boot**:

- things that are needed to boot the system (like the linux kernel itself)
- **DO NOT TOUCH IT**

5. **/usr**

- the /usr directory contains applications and files used by users, as opposed to applications and files used by the system. For example, non-essential applications are located inside the /usr/bin directory instead of the /bin directory and non-essential system administration binaries are located in the /usr/sbin directory instead of the /sbin directory
- You will also find bin, sbin and lib directories in /usr. What is the difference with their root-hanging cousins? Not much nowadays. Originally, the /bin directory (hanging off of root) would contain very basic commands, like ls, mv and rm; the kind of commands that would come pre-installed in all UNIX/Linux installations, the bare minimum to run and maintain a system. /usr/bin on the other hand would contain stuff the users would install and run to use the system as a work station, things like word processors, web browsers, and other apps.

☐ make sure that this statement makes sense

6. **/etc**

- used for systemwide configuration files:
- if you have a webserver, then your configuration will be stored here.
- you need to backup your /etc directory in case something happens to your server

7. **/home**

- Contains personal directories for the users. The home directory contains the user data and user-specific configuration files. As a user, you'll put your personal files, notes, programs etc in your home directory.
- **/home/user** :
 - so yeah there is a root user but he is not in the /home, well, he is in /root

8. **/media and /mnt**

- used for mounting external hard drive or other things!
- you can also mount a network share thing here too.
- **/mnt**: for "permanent" storage attachment (you kind of want to keep them mounted)
- **/media**: more for temporary storage
 - your usb stick for example

9. **/opt** : store other things!

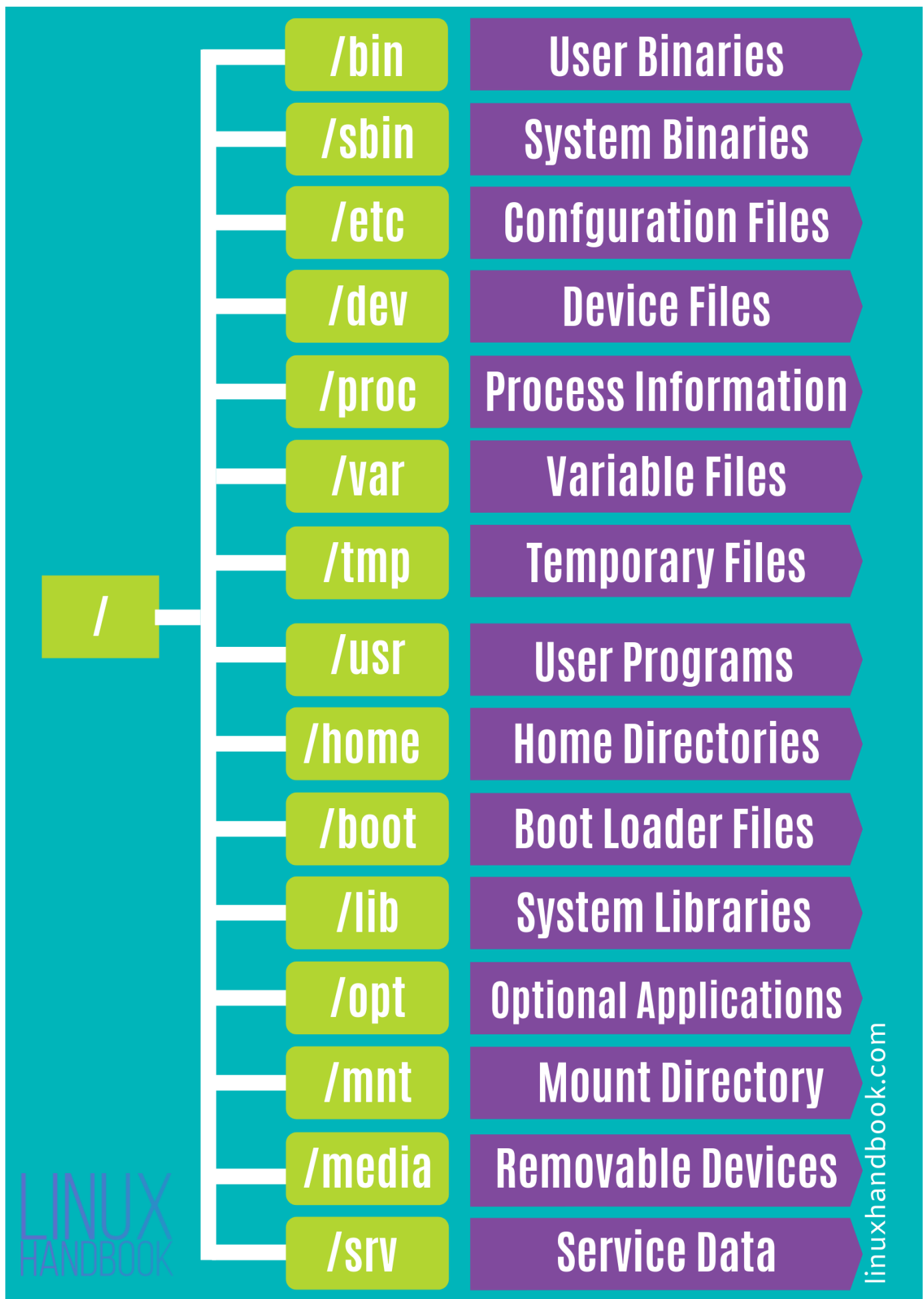
- optional and third party software
 - things that are not available in the distribution's repositories!
- for example games

10. **/tmp**

- temporary files and directories that will be deleted when system restarts

11. **/dev** (i don't think i'll include this)

- device files
- contains special files, including those relating to the devices. These are virtual files, not physically on the disk.



- `ls`
- `cat`
- `mkdir`
- `touch`
- `rm`
- `rm -r`: delete a directory!
- `mv`: rename and move files