CSE320 System Fundamentals II

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Topics

Unix Commands

- Saving session commands and output
- Using the file system
 - Changing 'current directory'
 - Listing files in a directory
 - Creating/deleting files and directories
- Files
 - Displaying file contents
 - Copying/renaming file

Finding Commands and how to use them

- apropos
- man

I/O redirection



Unix commands

Logging in from to a terminal window (or xterm) provides the user with a 'shell'

Commands:

- Provide information on files
- Manipulate files
- Manipulate data from files
- Run arbitrary utilities available on the system



Saving a session

script - Saves a session including commands and output until user
enters(^D)(eof)

- script Saves to the file typescript
- script filename Saves to the filename provided by user



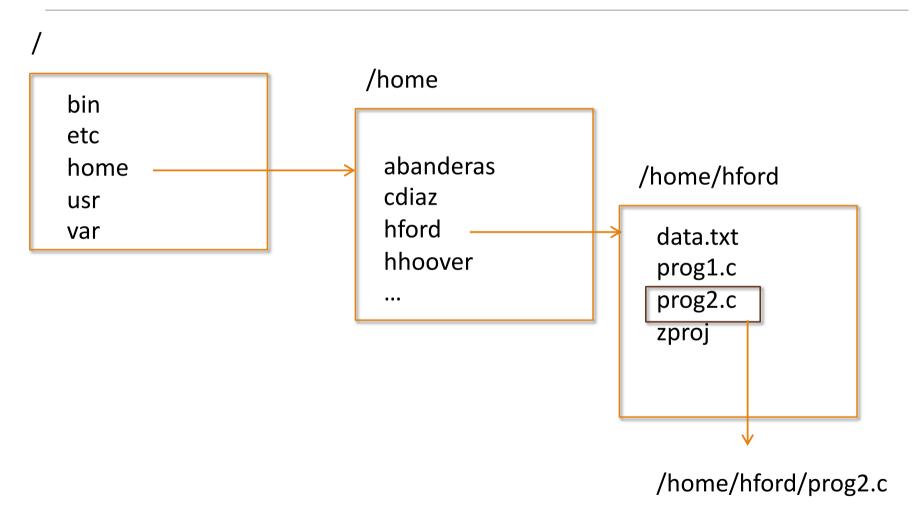
The unix filesystem

A hierarchical collection of directories and files

The *root* of the filesystem is '/'

A path contains a series of directories seperated by '/'

Unix filesystem



Navigating the filesystem

A user process has a current working directory

pwd - Print Working Directory & Directory

Commands to change working directory:

- cd <new_working_directory> Connect to a new working directory ['-' indicates the last working directory]
- pushd <new_working_directory> Connect to directory and save old directory on a directory stack
- **popd** Change working directory to the one on the top of the directory stack
- dirs List directories in the directory stack

Directory paths

- Absolute specifies all directories from '/' to desired directory [Must begin with '/']
- Relative specifies the directory relative to current working directory [begins with a name or '..']



Navigating the filesystem

Directory paths

- . Current directory
- .. Parent directory

Examples:

- cd /usr/include/os
- pushd ../../bin
- · cd retorn home sir
- · cd returns previous dir



Directory Listing

Is [options] <path> – List directory

- Options provide details about information requested and displayed
- <path> can be absolute, relative, or absent (for current working directory)
- <path> can include just directory or directory+file name

Relative paths:

- Exclude leading '/'
- '.' is current directory
- '..' is parent directory
- Example: Is ../../usr/bin go up two directory levels, then down into usr/bin

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File 'globbing'

File names can contain wildcards:

- * match any string of 0 or more characters
- ? match any single character
- [<characters>] Any charcter in the list within []

Examples

- Is *.c
 - All files with a .c extension (C source code files)
- Is notes??.txt
 - All (ascii text) files starting with the word 'notes' and ending with two other characters.
- Is [a-c]*.txt
 - All .txt files beginning with 'a', 'b', or 'c'
- Is */*.c
 - Match all files with a '.c' extension in a directory one level down from the connected directory.



Activity

Use 'script' to record the following session:

- Using a relative path, connect to /usr/include 🛂 (Mobile
- List files with extensions of .h
- List files with extensions of .h in all directories below your current working directory
- Connect to your home directory once again



Creating files/directories

touch **<filename>**

Creates an empty file with the give name

Any editor can be used to create a file:

- vi standard unix editor
- emacs epic multi-platform editor

mkdir [options] <dirname>

- Creates a directory
- -p create the whole path to the directory
- Example: mkdir project/src/include (x)

 mkdir p project/src/include



Removing files/directories

rm **<filename>**

Delete the named file(s)

rmdir <dirname>

- Deletes the named directory(ies)
- Directory must be empty



Displaying file contents

cat <filename> (conCATenate)

Sends <filename>'s contents to terminal

less <filename>

- Sends <filename>'s contents to terminal with pauses when screen if full
- <spacebar> will continue listing
- 'q' will terminate the output
- more command does the same thing on my Unix systems

head -## **<filename>** - This prints the <u>first few lines of a file</u>

tail -## **<filename>** - This prints the last few lines of a file



Copying and renaming files

cp <oldrage> <newname>

- Copy file <oldname> to <newname>
- Filenames can include absolute or relative paths

mv <oldname> <newname>

- Move or 'rename' a file from <oldname> to <newname>
- Filenames can include absolute or relative paths



Learning more – 'man'

man <section> <text>

- Displays a manual page about the command or program (<text>)
- <section> is optional (1-8) Specifies the 'section' of the manual
 - Names may appear in 2+ sections ('open' shell command versus 'open()' library call)
 - Man page sections:
 - 1: User commands
 - 2: System Calls
 - 3: C Library Functions
 - 4: Devices and Special Files
 - 5: File Formats and Conventions
 - 6: Games
 - 7: Misselaneous
 - 8: Administrator commands and Daemons
- More a 'reference' than a 'tutorial'



Learning more – 'apropos'

apropos <text>

- Searches man page titles and descriptions for given <text>
- Lists man entries that match the text
- Same as 'man –k'



Learning more — info

info brings up an emacs buffer with a menu of topics

Topics are marked with a leading '*'

Topics (tutorials) can be opened by moving to the text (with arrow keys) and hitting the enter key

Other info commands:

- 'p' move to previous topic
- 'u' move up to earlier menu in hierarchy
- Space bar page down in text
- Delete key page up in text
- 's' search for text. Type the text at prompt. Enter key searches for next string occurance



I/O Redirection

Shells allow command output and input to be 'redirected' with special characters

3 'Standard' files are created for each process (these can be redirected as well)

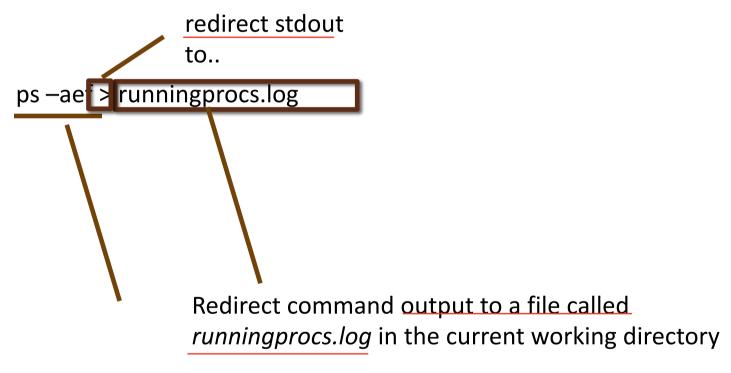
- stdin By default, this is input from the keyboard
- stdout By default, this is output to the screen
- stderr By default, this is output to the screen but is used for 'error' text

Most shells use:

- '<' to redirect stdin</p>
- · '>' to redirect stdout exp not on snear but on file
- '2>' to redirect stderr
- '|' connects output of one command to input of the next



I/O Redirection examples

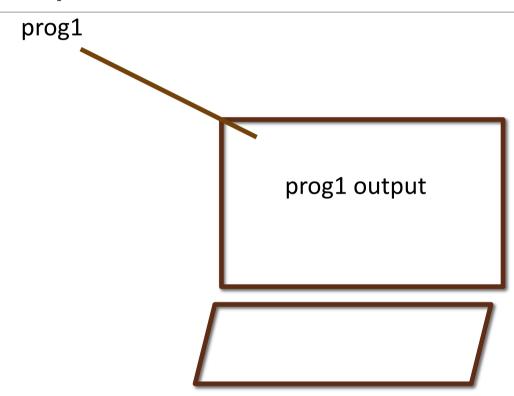


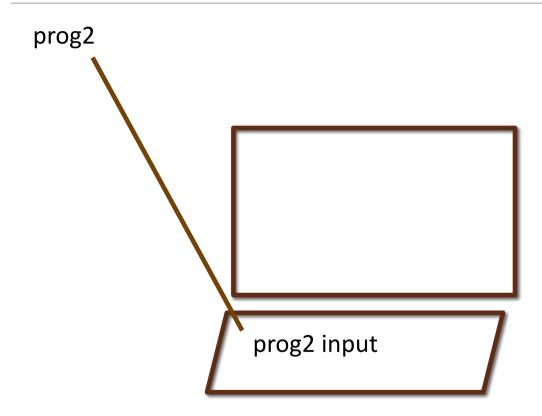
Unix process status command with options

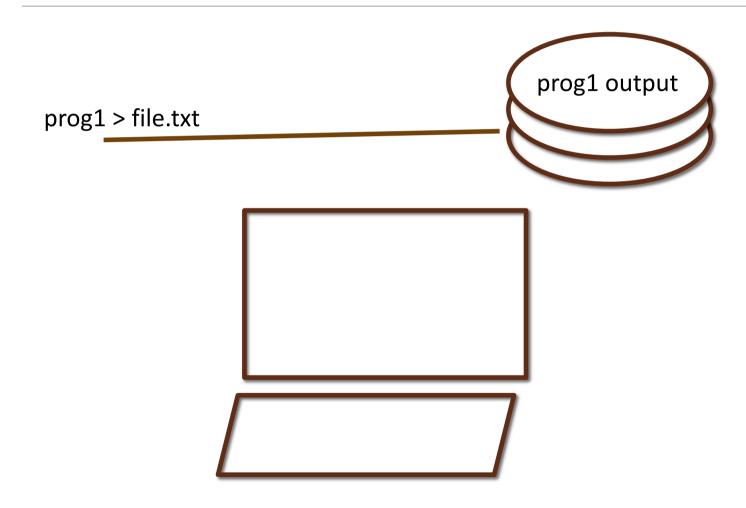
Redirect output from one command/program directly to the input of another

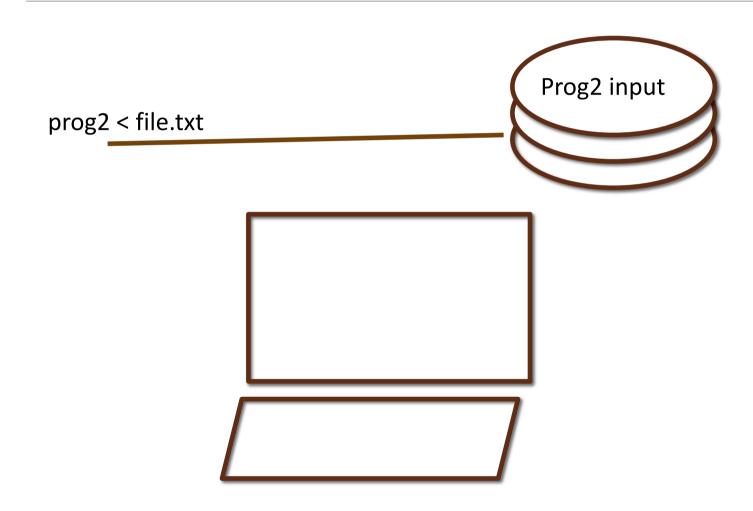
Use '|' between programs or commands

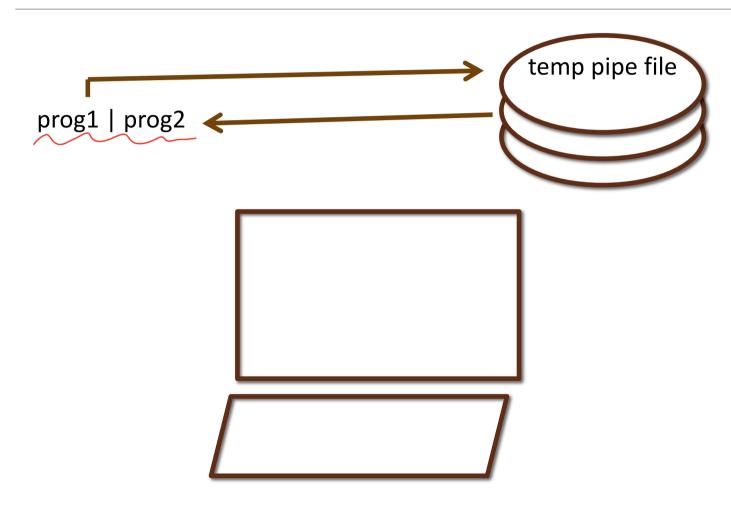












Activity

Given:

- ps –aef # returns process information for all processes on the system
- grep <text> # searches for the string <text>

Pipe the output of the ps command into grep and try to find:

- All the processes owned by yourself
- All the processes owned by 'root'
- All the processes running an application called 'ypbind'

Try using I/O redirection to store the output into a file

Try using a pipe to paginate the output so it doesn't scroll faster than you can read



Questions?

