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Important commands: recap

Most important commands

Command	Explanation
ls	Lists directory contents of files and directories.
cd	Change directory.
touch	Updates the access and modification times of each file.
mkdir	Make directory.
cat	Copy content of a file (to terminal or other file).
echo	Display lines of text or strings that are passed as arguments.
sudo	Execute command using root privileges. This access is password-protected and only valid for a limited time. Use 'sudo su' for \$  #
apropos	Searching for commands without knowing their exact names.

What went wrong?

What does this mean?

- You are trying to connect via SSH to your VM and are seeing this:

```
@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@
@    WARNING: REMOTE HOST IDENTIFICATION HAS CHANGED!    @
@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@
IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOMEONE IS DOING SOMETHING NASTY!
Someone could be eavesdropping on you right now (man-in-the-middle attack)!
It is also possible that a host key has just been changed.
The fingerprint for the ED25519 key sent by the remote host is
SHA256:ZwhbSOUJyT9KCxEV6Epd1fkH3gHYzTkr78WayvoeMtM.
Please contact your system administrator.
Add correct host key in C:\\Users\\vande/.ssh/known_hosts to get rid of this message.
Offending ECDSA key in C:\\Users\\vande/.ssh/known_hosts:3
```

Session 2

Working with text files and managing processes

Working with files

Know your editors

While some editors cover the basics, others are merely limited by your imagination...

User-friendly text editors:

- nano
- jed

High input, high return editors:

- vim (**v**i **i**mproved)
- emacs (**e**ditor **m**acros)

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Know your editors

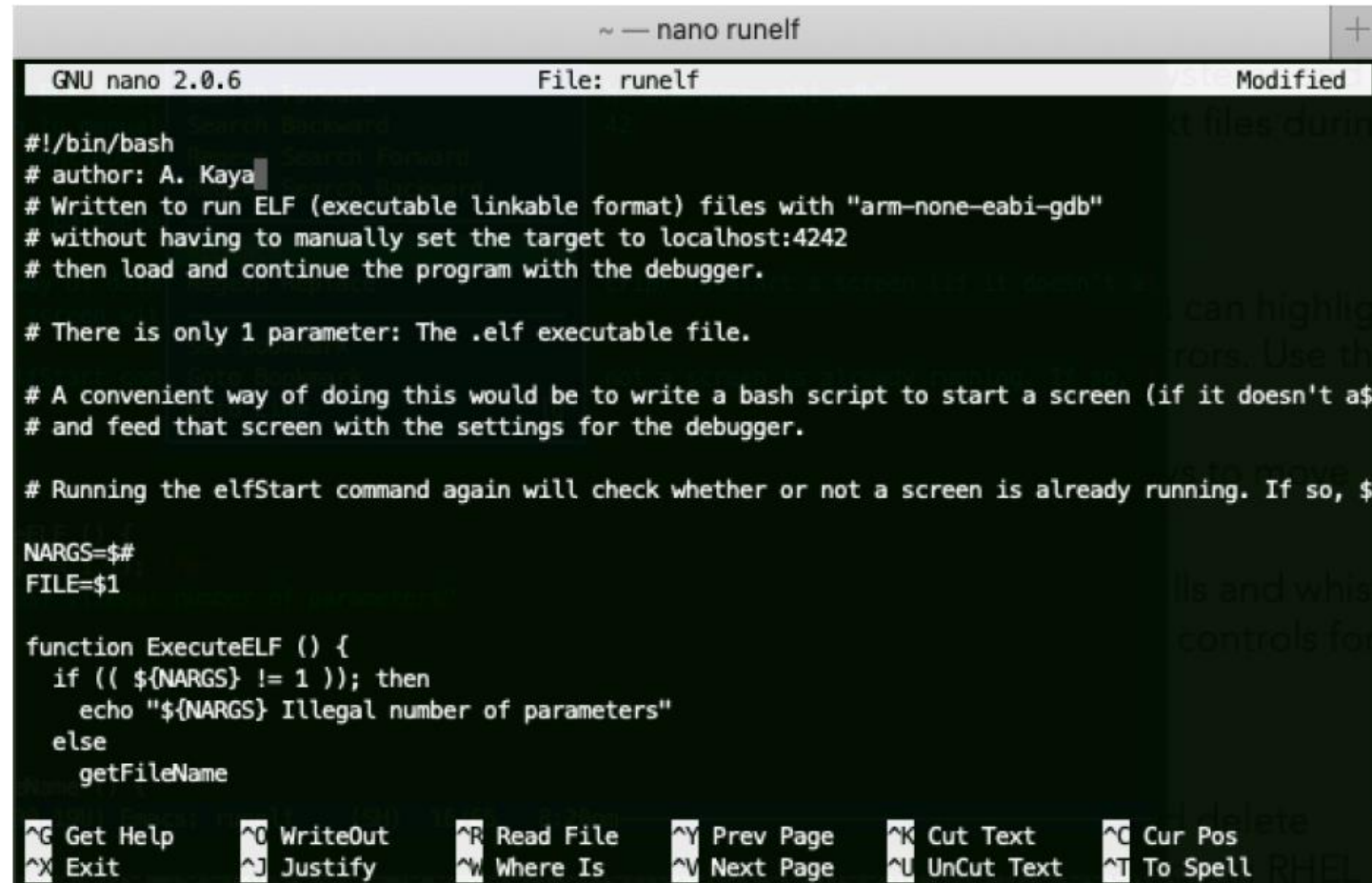
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```
~ — nano runelf
GNU nano 2.0.6 File: runelf Modified
#!/bin/bash
# author: A. Kaya
# Written to run ELF (executable linkable format) files with "arm-none-eabi-gdb"
# without having to manually set the target to localhost:4242
# then load and continue the program with the debugger.

# There is only 1 parameter: The .elf executable file.

# A convenient way of doing this would be to write a bash script to start a screen (if it doesn't a$
# and feed that screen with the settings for the debugger.

# Running the elfStart command again will check whether or not a screen is already running. If so, $

NARGS=$#
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function ExecuteELF () {
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        echo "${NARGS} Illegal number of parameters"
    else
        getFileName
    fi
}

^G Get Help ^O WriteOut ^R Read File ^V Prev Page ^K Cut Text ^C Cur Pos
^X Exit ^J Justify ^W Where Is ^N Next Page ^U UnCut Text ^T To Spell
```

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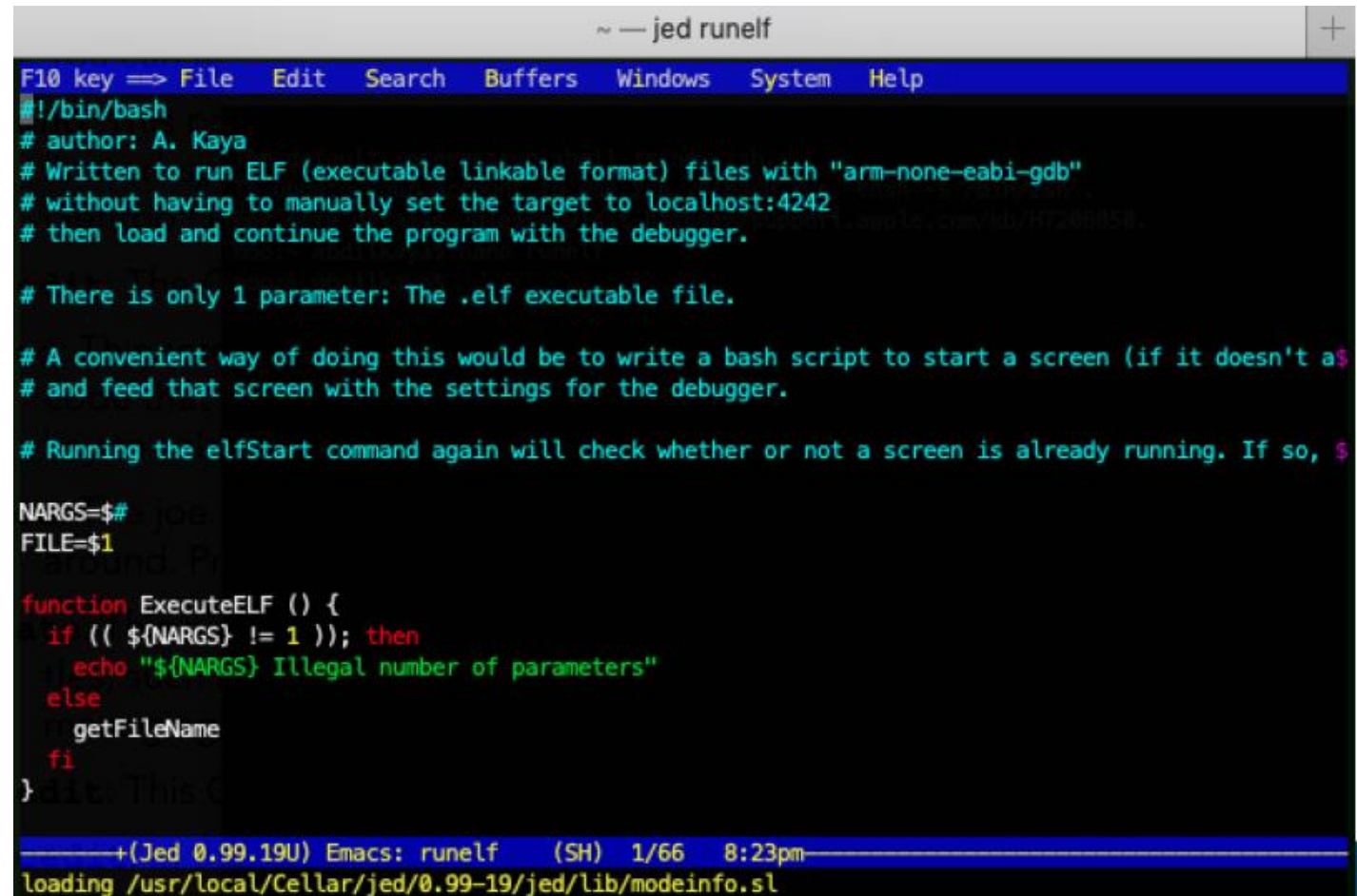
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```
~ — jed runelf
F10 key => File Edit Search Buffers Windows System Help
#!/bin/bash
# author: A. Kaya
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  else
    getFileName
  fi
}
} die This C
+ (Jed 0.99.19U) Emacs: runelf (SH) 1/66 8:23pm
loading /usr/local/Cellar/jed/0.99-19/jed/lib/modeinfo.sl
```

Know your editors

Try the vim tutorial, learn by using it

```
[student@localhost ~]$ sudo dnf install vim-enhanced  
[student@localhost ~]$ vimtutor
```

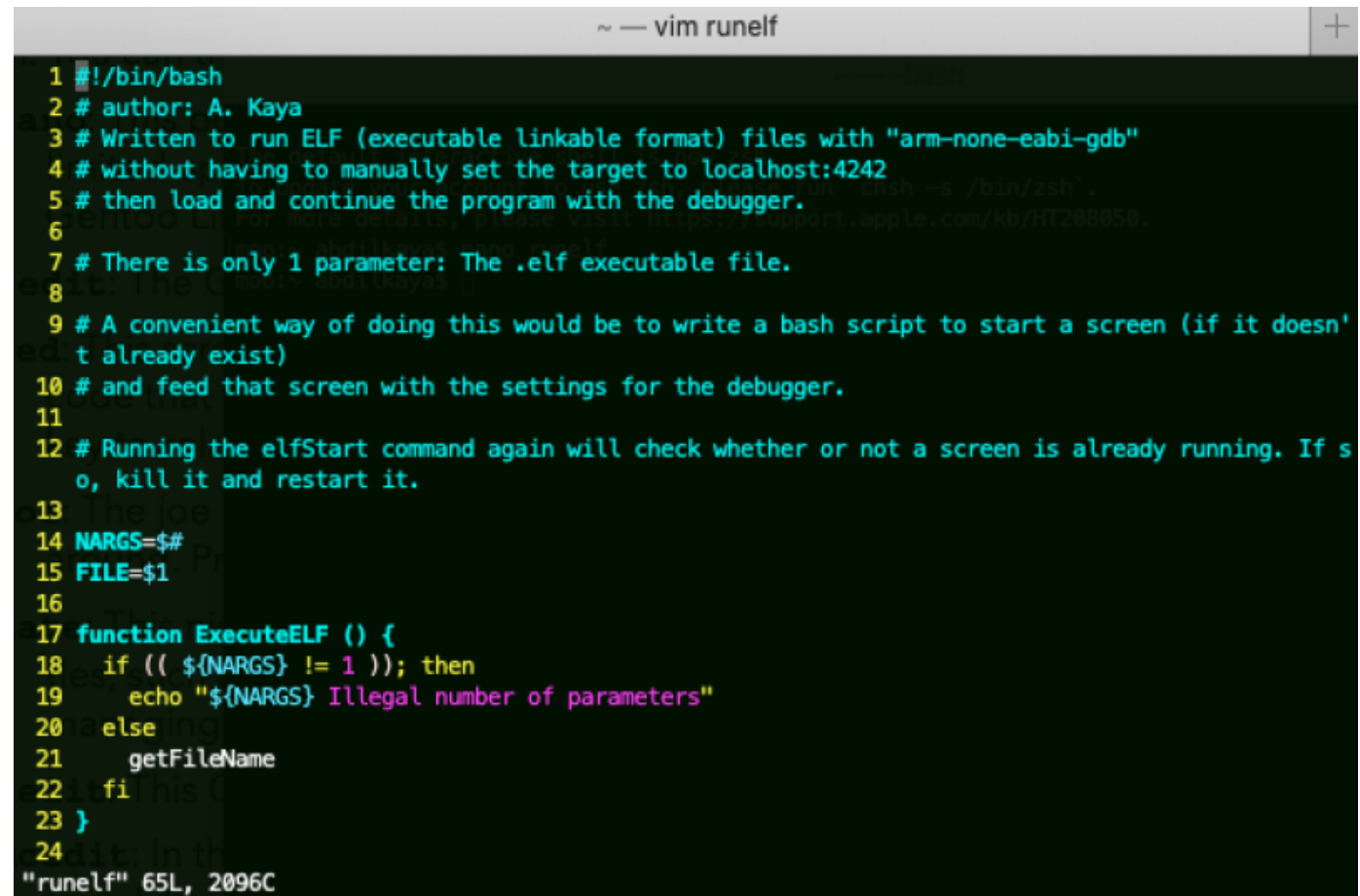
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4 # without having to manually set the target to localhost:4242  
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10 # t already exist)  
11 # and feed that screen with the settings for the debugger.  
12 # Running the elfStart command again will check whether or not a screen is already running. If s  
13 # o, kill it and restart it.  
14 NARGS=$#  
15 FILE=$1  
16  
17 function ExecuteELF () {  
18     if (( ${NARGS} != 1 )); then  
19         echo "${NARGS} Illegal number of parameters"  
20     else  
21         getFileName  
22     fi  
23 }  
24  
"runelf" 65L, 2096C
```

Know your editors

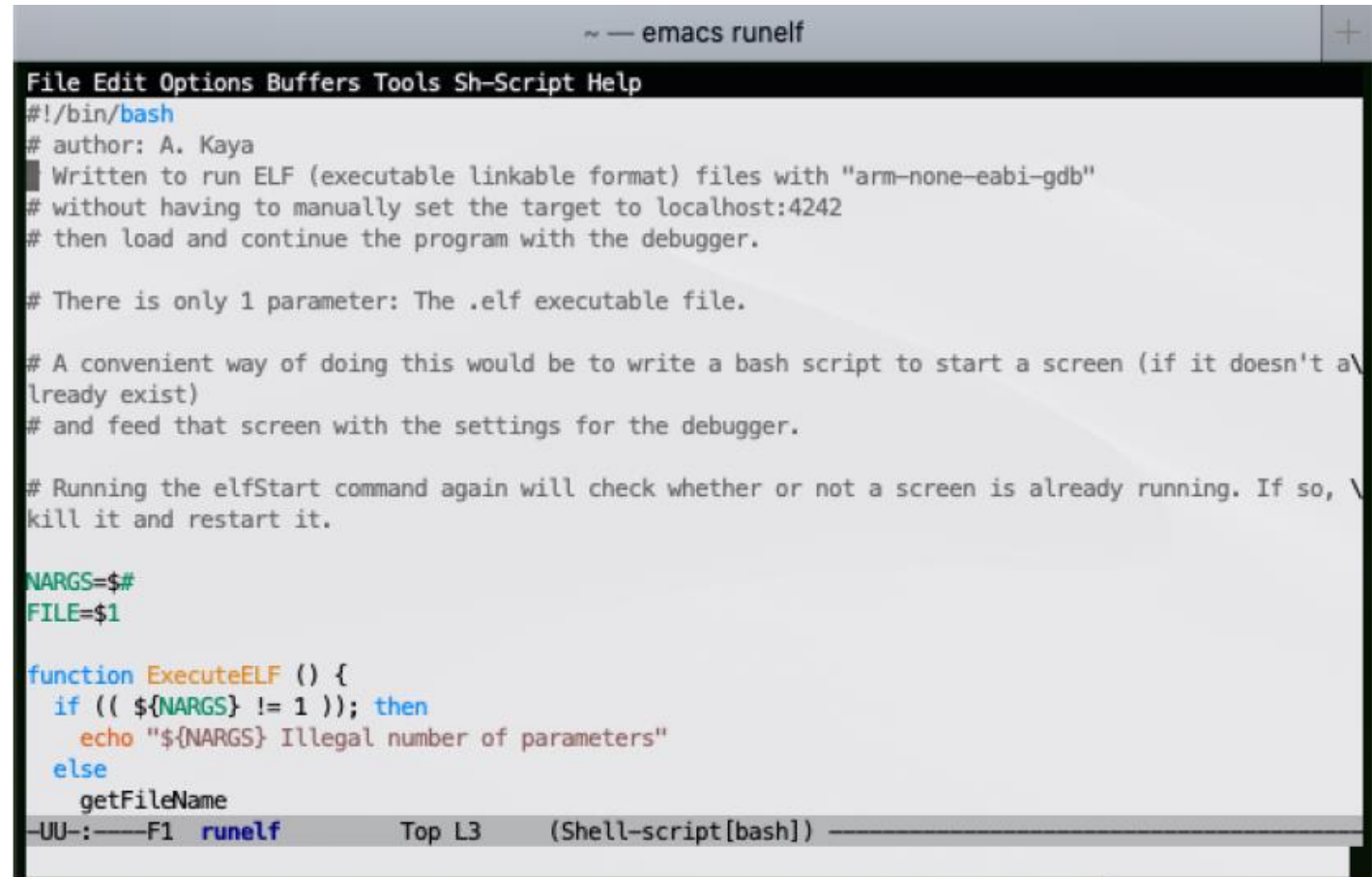
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The screenshot shows the Emacs editor interface with the title bar '~ — emacs runelf'. The menu bar includes File, Edit, Options, Buffers, Tools, Sh-Script, and Help. The main text area contains a shell script for running ELF files with a debugger. The script includes comments about the author (A. Kaya), the target (arm-none-eabi-gdb), and the use of a debugger. It also includes a function 'ExecuteELF' that checks the number of arguments and echoes an error message if it's not 1. The status bar at the bottom shows '-UU-:—F1 runelf Top L3 (Shell-script[bash])'.

```
File Edit Options Buffers Tools Sh-Script Help
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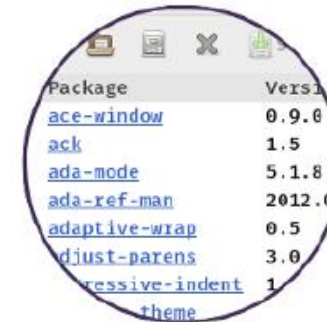
Should you learn vim or Emacs?

The **keybindings of vim** are such that you will --over time-- lose the need for a mouse or function keys. It is lightweight and often preinstalled.

Emacs on the other hand is more than just a text editor. It is an all-in-one **workflow tool**. And more...



Highly customizable, using Emacs Lisp code or a graphical interface.



A wide range of functionality beyond text editing, including a **project planner**, **mail and news reader**, **debugger interface**, **calendar**, **IRC client**, and **more**.



A packaging system for **downloading and installing** extensions.

Commands to help you search

grep (globally search for a regular expression and print matching lines) : finds lines within files that match pattern

- A large amount of options that will help
- Useful for searching through piped outputs
- an example:

```
# Search for 'student' as a whole word, (-w)
# in a given directory and all the files under it. (-r)
# Print the filename (-H)
# and the line number for every match. (-n)
# In addition to that, ignore the stderr output. (2>/dev/null)

[student@localhost ~]$ grep -rnwH 'student' /etc/ 2>/dev/null
/etc/group:11:wheel:x:10:student
/etc/group:73:student:x:1000:
/etc/security/limits.conf:55:#@student          hard    nproc           20
/etc/security/limits.conf:59:#@student          -       maxlogins        4
/etc/passwd-:48:student:x:1000:1000:student:/home/student:/bin/bash
/etc/subgid:1:student:100000:65536
/etc/passwd:48:student:x:1000:1000:student:/home/student:/bin/bash
/etc/subuid:1:student:100000:65536
```


Commands to help you search

locate : finds **by name** in a database (daily update)

- Faster than **find**
- Cannot find files which have been added after the last database indexing
- Not all files are indexed. See configuration in /etc/updatedb.conf

find : the best find command to search by attributes

- You can immediately execute commands on the results using -exec
- Some attributes:
 - filename, ownership, permission, size, creation date, ...

TIP: Learn the basics of RegEx (**R**egular **E**xpressions!)

Managing running processes

Understanding processes

A process is **an instance of** a running program. A program can have many running instances.

This session will help you learn managing processes:

- launch, pause, stop or kill

using tools such as

- ps, top (or htop), kill, job

Processes are identified by:

- a unique process ID (PID), an associated user and group

Listing processes

ps : *"displays information about a selection of the active processes. If you want a repetitive update of the selection and the displayed information, use top instead."*

- **ps u** : show the processes in this terminal for this user. **-u** means (show usernames)

```
$ ps u
```

USER	PID	%CPU	%MEM	VSZ	RSS	TTY	STAT	START	TIME	COMMAND
jake	2147	0.0	0.7	1836	1020	tty1	S+	14:50	0:00	-bash
jake	2310	0.0	0.7	2592	912	tty1	R+	18:22	0:00	ps u

- pipe outputs (|) to **less** to scroll through the output e.g. **ps aux**
 - a: all users, u: print users, x: all terminals

Listing processes

top : *"The top program provides a dynamic **real-time view** of a running system. It can display system summary information as well as a list of processes or threads currently being managed by the Linux kernel. "*

```
top - 14:59:56 up 1:02, 1 user, load average: 0.44, 0.41, 0.31
Tasks: 254 total, 1 running, 253 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 3.7 us, 1.2 sy, 0.0 ni, 94.9 id, 0.0 wa, 0.2 hi, 0.2 si, 0.0 st
MiB Mem : 2336.0 total, 163.9 free, 1723.2 used, 448.9 buff/cache
MiB Swap: 0.0 total, 0.0 free, 0.0 used. 412.1 avail Mem
```

PID	USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHR	S	%CPU	%MEM	TIME+	COMMAND
2366	chris	20	0	3754664	360232	82412	S	4.3	15.1	5:04.14	gnome-shell
3233	chris	20	0	2315412	323812	112896	S	2.3	13.5	1:55.87	Web Content
15222	cockpit+	20	0	607588	13200	10212	S	0.7	0.6	0:06.82	cockpit-ws
16924	chris	20	0	680312	49244	35320	S	0.7	2.1	0:22.68	gnome-system-mo
1797	root	20	0	49132	2456	2084	S	0.3	0.1	0:00.83	spice-vdagentd
3030	chris	20	0	2456968	252124	101972	S	0.3	10.5	0:48.93	firefox
15246	root	20	0	887040	12060	7584	S	0.3	0.5	0:04.45	cockpit-bridge
1	root	20	0	187660	13236	7884	S	0.0	0.6	0:04.81	systemd
2	root	20	0	0	0	0	S	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	kthreadd
3	root	0	-20	0	0	0	I	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	rcu_gp
4	root	0	-20	0	0	0	I	0.0	0.0	0:00.00	rcu_par_gp

Listing processes

htop : *"It is similar to top, but allows you to scroll vertically and horizontally"*

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help

 1  [|||||] 8.4%] 5 [|||||] 8.7%]
 2  [|||||] 10.8%] 6 [|||||] 12.9%]
 3  [|||||] 9.4%] 7 [|||||] 6.0%]
 4  [|||||] 100.0%] 8 [|||||] 6.0%]
Mem [|||||] 5.71G/15.4G Tasks: 217, 1000 thr; 2 running
Swp [|||||] 0K/12.0G Load average: 2.16 2.19 2.14
Uptime: 01:24:40

 PID USER PRI NI VIRT RES SHR S CPU% MEM% TIME+ Command
11081 abdil 20 0 2900M 624M 531M S 98.9 4.0 6:08.34 VirtualBoxVM --co
11110 abdil 21 1 2900M 624M 531M R 98.2 4.0 5:56.30 VirtualBoxVM --co
8462 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 34.9 3.9 55:10.81 chrome --type=ren
3397 abdil 9 -11 2334M 19404 14780 S 5.8 0.1 9:46.50 pulseaudio --daem
8549 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 4.5 3.9 5:09.70 chrome --type=ren
9240 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 4.5 3.9 1:20.01 chrome --type=ren
8548 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 3.9 3.9 5:00.04 chrome --type=ren
9246 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 3.9 3.9 1:21.82 chrome --type=ren
8547 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 3.2 3.9 4:50.68 chrome --type=ren
3400 abdil -6 0 2334M 19404 14780 S 3.2 0.1 2:46.93 pulseaudio --daem
11752 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 3.2 3.9 0:00.55 chrome --type=ren
8337 abdil 20 0 1021M 59104 48044 S 2.6 0.4 4:18.78 chrome --type=uti
11231 abdil 20 0 5897M 618M 258M S 1.9 3.9 0:03.85 chrome --type=ren
F1Help F2Setup F3Search F4Filter F5Tree F6SortBy F7Nice F8Nice +F9Kill F10Quit
```


Listing processes

System Monitor : *"The System Monitor application displays a list of system processes, and monitors system usage. System Monitor shows which processes are running and how the processes are related. "*

Processes Resources File Systems									
Process Name	User	% CPU	ID	Memory	Disk read tota	Disk write tot	Disk read	Disk write	Priority
gnome-shell	chris	1	2366	276.8 MiB	11.4 MiB	952.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
Web Content	chris	1	3233	198.6 MiB	16.5 MiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal
firefox	chris	0	3030	141.2 MiB	220.8 MiB	128.2 MiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
gnome-software	chris	0	2644	51.8 MiB	9.7 MiB	2.1 MiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
Web Content	chris	0	16945	19.6 MiB	10.6 MiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal
gnome-system-monitor	chris	0	16924	16.9 MiB	10.3 MiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal
seapplet	chris	0	2687	15.2 MiB	612.0 KiB	12.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
evolution-alarm-notify	chris	0	2690	12.8 MiB	996.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal
gnome-terminal-server	chris	0	3467	12.5 MiB	15.3 MiB	20.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
tracker-store	chris	0	2677	11.4 MiB	5.4 MiB	312.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
Xwayland	chris	0	2392	10.8 MiB	244.0 KiB	24.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	Normal
evolution-source-registry	chris	0	2458	9.8 MiB	23.5 MiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal
evolution-calendar-factory-subp	chris	0	2715	9.8 MiB	624.0 KiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal
ibus-x11	chris	0	2434	9.6 MiB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Normal

Background and foreground processes

Run commands in the background by adding an ampersand (&) at the end. This will give you a job number (in brackets) and PID:

```
rnietvelt@3nwa:~$ find . 2>/dev/null > /tmp/homefolderfiles &  
[1] 12826
```

Find current background jobs

```
rnietvelt@3nwa:~$ jobs  
[1]+  Running find . 2> /dev/null > /tmp/homefolderfiles &
```

Bring it to the foreground by its job number

```
rnietvelt@3nwa:~$ fg %1  
find . 2> /dev/null > /tmp/homefolderfiles
```


Killing processes with kill and killall

While **by default** used to send the terminate process signal (SIGTERM), the **kill** and **killall** commands can send any valid signal to a process.

TABLE 6.1 Signals Available in Linux

Signal	Number	Description
SIGHUP	1	Hang-up detected on controlling terminal or death of controlling process.
SIGINT	2	Interrupt from keyboard.
SIGQUIT	3	Quit from keyboard.
SIGABRT	6	Abort signal from abort(3).
SIGKILL	9	Kill signal.
SIGTERM	15	Termination signal.
SIGCONT	19,18,25	Continue if stopped.
SIGSTOP	17,19,23	Stop process.

->more likely to actually kill a process than SIGTERM

The following three commands to terminate a process are identical:

```
1 kill 10905
2 kill -15 10905
3 kill -SIGTERM 10905
```

killall can be used to kill all instances of a program by its name.

```
1 killall -9 sometestprogram
```

"Niceness" of a process

The niceness of a process defines how much of the processor resources a program will claim. Claiming less makes a process nicer.

Range: **-20 to 19**

Default: **0**

- Regular users **can only increase** the niceness of their **own** processes.
- Regular users **cannot decrease** even if they initially increased.

Starting a process with a particular niceness level: use **nice**

```
nice -n +5 updatedb &
```

Changing the niceness of a running process: use **renice**

```
renice -n -5 20284
```

Exercises

Exercises

1. As a regular user, search the /usr/bin directory for every file named tty. Redirect error messages from your search to /dev/null.
2. Find every **file** in your user's home directory, and make a backup copy of each file in the same directory. Use each file's existing name, and just append **.bak** to create each backup file. This can be done in a single command line.
3. Find files under the /usr/bin directory that have not been modified in more than 10 years.
4. Run "yes > /dev/null" in the background. This time, using the kill command, send a signal to the process that causes it to pause (stop). Check the CPU usage (on for example the NetLab portal) before and after you pause the process. What does the command that you executed in the background do?
5. Use again the kill command to tell the process that you paused in the previous exercise, to continue working. Check the CPU usage again. Finally, permanently kill the process. Verify that it was killed.

