CS631 - Advanced Programming in the UNIX Environment

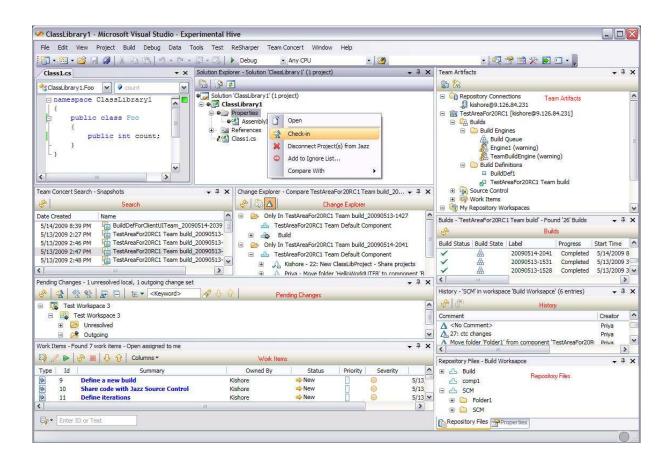
UNIX development tools

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int rval:
int i;
/* Create socket */
sock = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
if (sock < 0) {
        perror("opening stream socket");
        exit(1);
/* Name socket using wildcards */
server.sin_family = AF_INET;
server.sin addr.s addr = INADDR ANY;
server.sin_port = 0;
if (bind(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&server, sizeof(server))) {
        perror("binding stream socket");
        exit(1);
^{\prime *} Find out assigned port number and print it out ^{*}/
length = sizeof(server);
if (getsockname(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&server, &length)) {
        perror("getting socket name");
        exit(1);
printf("Socket has port #%d\n", ntohs(server.sin_port));
/* Start accepting connections */
listen(sock, 5);
        msgsock = accept(sock, 0, 0);
        if (msgsock == -1)
                perror("accept");
        else do {
                bzero(buf, sizeof(buf));
                if ((rval = read(msgsock, buf, 1024)) < 0)
                        perror("reading stream message");
                i = 0;
                if (rval == 0)
                        printf("Ending connection\n");
                else
                        printf("-->%s\n", buf);
        } while (rval != 0);
        close(msgsock);
} while (TRUE);
```

Software Development Tools

UNIX Userland is an IDE – essential tools that follow the paradigm of "Do one thing, and do it right" can be combined.

The most important tools are:

- \$EDITOR
- the compiler toolchain
- gdb(1) debugging your code
- make(1) project build management, maintain program dependencies
- diff(1) and patch(1) report and apply differences between files
- cvs(1), svn(1), git(1) etc. distributed project management, version control

Know your \$EDITOR. Core functionality:

- syntax highlighting
- efficient keyboard maneuvering
- setting markers, using buffers
- copy, yank, fold e.g. blocks
- search and replace
- window splitting
- autocompletion
- jump to definition / manual page
- applying external commands and filters

Examples given using vim(1).

Efficient keyboard maneuvering:

- h, j, k, l
- w, b, e
- /, ?, ^, \$
- ^D, ^B
- zz, zt, zb
- **9** %,]}, [{
- :n, :prev, :rew

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Copy, yank, fold, markers, buffers etc.:

- m [a-zA-Z]
- :marks
- v, V
- **@** =
- d, y, "xy, "xp
- zf, zA

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Look-ups:

- find /usr/src -name '*[ch]' -print | exec ctags -f ~/.ctgs
- echo "set tags+=~/.ctags" >> ~/.vimrc
- Otrl+], Ctrl+t jump to definition and back
- K jump to manual page
- Ctrl+N autocomplete

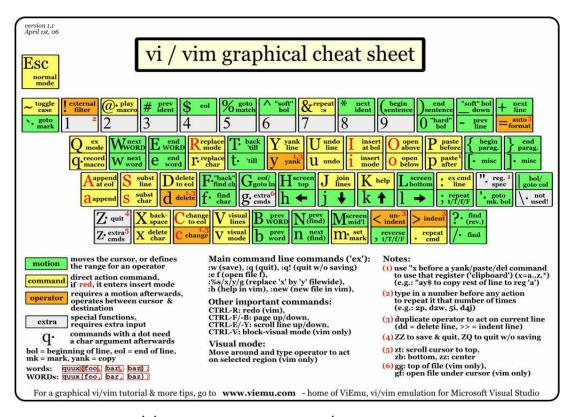
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Integration with compiler, debugger, make(1) etc.

```
vim welcome.c
:make
Ctrl+]
:cnext
```

Finally, two of your most powerful Unix IDE integrations are a terminal multiplexer (e.g. screen(1) or tmux(1)) and copious use of Ctrl+Z (i.e., the shell's job control mechanisms).

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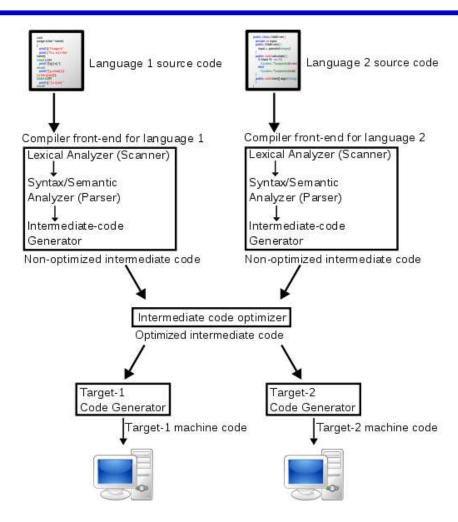
https://duckduckgo.com/?q=vim+tutorial

Compilers

A compiler translates *source code* from a high-level programming language into *machine code* for a given architecture by performing a number of steps:

- lexical analysis
- preprocessing
- parsing
- semantic analysis
- code optimization
- code generation
- assembly
- linking

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There are many different closed- and open-source compiler chains:

- Intel C/C++ Compiler (or icc)
- Turbo C / Turbo C++ / C++Builder (Borland)
- Microsoft Visual C++
- **@**
- Clang (a frontend to LLVM)
- GNU Compiler Collection (or gcc)
- Portable C Compiler (or pcc)
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```
$ cd compilechain
$ cat hello.c
$ man cpp
$ cpp hello.c hello.i
$ file hello.i
$ man cc
$ cc -v -E hello.c > hello.i
$ more hello.i
$ cc -v -DFOOD=\"Avocado\" -E hello.c > hello.i.2
```

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```
$ more hello.i
$ cc -v -S hello.i
$ file hello.s
$ more hello.s
```

Assembly

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```
$ as -o hello.o hello.s
$ file hello.o
$ cc -v -c hello.s
$ objdump -d hello.o
[...]
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$ cc -v main.c -L./lib2 -L./lib -lldtest 2>&1 | more
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The behavior of the compiler toolchain may be influenced by environment variables (eg TMPDIR, SGI_ABI) and/or the compilers default configuration file (MIPSPro's /etc/compiler.defaults or gcc's specs).

```
$ cc -v hello.c
$ TMPDIR=/var/tmp cc -v hello.c
$ cc -dumpspec
```

A Debugger



gdb(1)

The purpose of a debugger such as gdb(1) is to allow you to see what is going on "inside" another program while it executes – or what another program was doing at the moment it crashed. gdb allows you to

- make your program stop on specified conditions (for example by setting breakpoints)
- examine what has happened, when your program has stopped (by looking at the backtrace, inspecting the value of certain variables)
- inspect control flow (for example by stepping through the program)

Other interesting things you can do:

- examine stack frames: info frame, info locals, info args
- examine memory: x
- examine assembly: disassemble func

gdb(1)

```
$ cd gdb-examples/ls
$ ./a.out
Memory fault (core dumped)
$ gdb ./a.out
(gdb) run ~/tmp
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x00000000000401a6d in record stat
(statp=0x7f7fffffdaf0, path_name=0x7f7fff7b09175 "noown")
    at ls.c:497
497
                strcpy(new_node->owner_name, password->pw_name);
(gdb) bt
(gdb) frame 0
(gdb) li
(gdb) print password
```

gdb(1)

```
(gdb) start -l
[...]
(gdb) watch blocksize
[...]
(gdb) c
[...]
(gdb) li
[...]
(gdb) show environment BLOCKSIZE
[...]
(gdb) call strtoll(blocksize_str, 0, 0)
[...]
```



make(1) is a command generator and build utility. Using a description file (usually *Makefile*) it creates a sequence of commands for execution by the shell.

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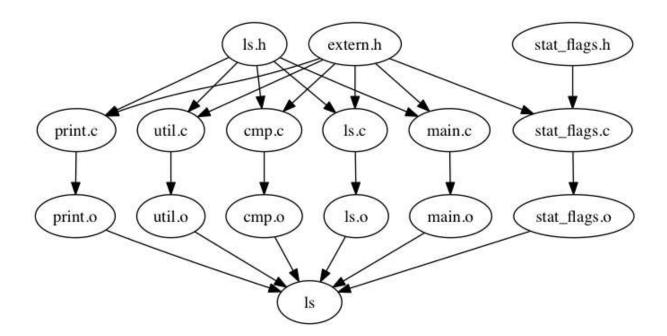
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- different versions of make(1) (BSD make, GNU make, Sys V make, ...) may differ (among other things) in
 - variable assignment and expansion/substitution
 - including other files
 - flow control (for-loops, conditionals etc.)

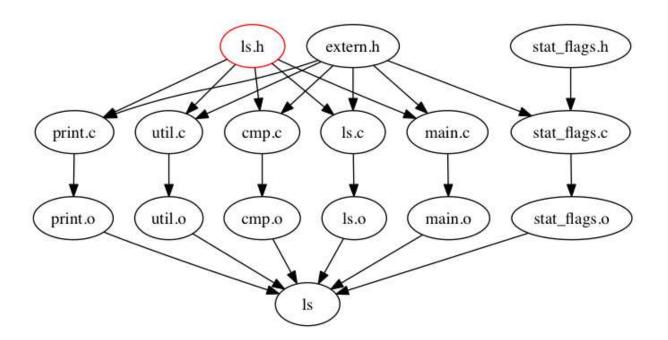
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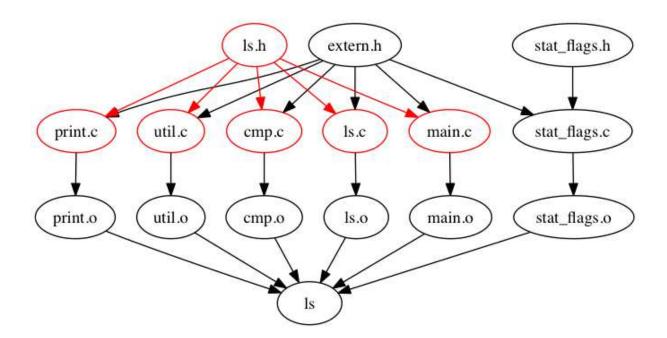
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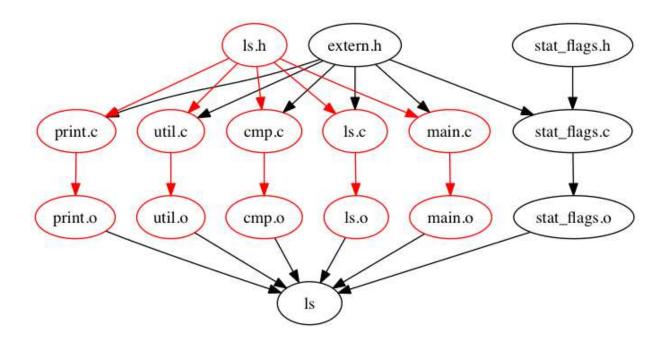
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cmp.c ls.c

main.c

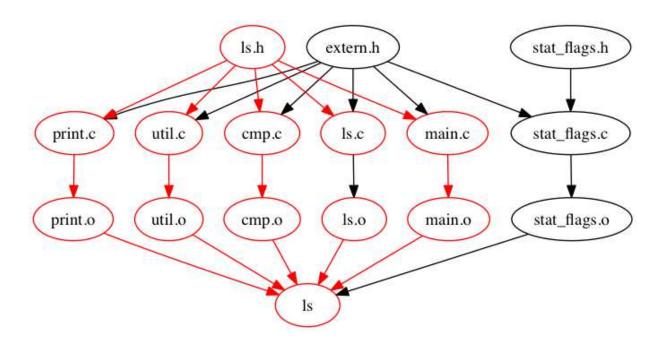
stat_flags.c

util.c

extern.h ls.h

print.c

stat_flags.h



```
$ ln -s Makefile.1 Makefile
$ make # or: make -f Makefile.1
[...]
$ make
```

```
$ ln -sf Makefile.2 Makefile
$ make # or: make -f Makefile.2
[...]
$ make clean
$ export CFLAGS="-Wall -Werror"
$ make
[...]
$ make clean
[...]
```

```
$ make -f Makefile.3
[...]
$ make -f Makefile.3 ls.txt
[...]
$
```

```
$ ln -sf Makefile.4 Makefile
$ make help
[...]
$ make showvars
[...]
$ make CFLAGS="${CFLAGS}" showvars
[...]
```

Priority of Macro Assignments for make (1)

- 1. Internal (default) definitions of make(1)
- 2. Current shell environment variables. This includes macros that you enter on the *make* command line itself.
- 3. Macro definitions in *Makefile*.
- 4. Macros entered on the make (1) command line, if they follow the make command itself.

Ed is the standard text editor.

```
$ ed
help
quit
?
exit
?
bye
eat flaming death
?
^C
^D
```

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```
$ ed
a
ed is the standard Unix text editor.
This is line number two.
.
2i
.
%1
3s/two/three/
w foo
q
$ cat foo
```

diff(1):

- compares files line by line
- output may be used to automatically edit a file
- can produce human "readable" output as well as diff entire directory structures
- output called a patch

patch(1):

- applies a diff(1) file (aka patch) to an original
- may back up original file
- may guess correct format
- ignores leading or trailing "garbage"
- allows for reversing the patch
- may even correct context line numbers

```
$ diff Makefile.2 Makefile.5
[...]
$ cp Makefile.2 /tmp
$ ( diff -e Makefile.2 Makefile.5; echo w; ) | ed Makefile.2
$ diff Makefile.[25]
$ mv /tmp/Makefile.2 .
$ diff -c Makefile.[25]
$ diff -u Makefile.[25] > /tmp/patch
$ patch </tmp/patch
$ diff Makefile.[25]</pre>
```

Difference in ls(1) between NetBSD and OpenBSD:

\$ diff -bur netbsd/src/bin/ls openbsd/src/bin/ls

Difference in ls(1) between NetBSD and FreeBSD:

\$ diff -bur netbsd/src/bin/ls freebsd-ls/ls

Version control systems allow you to

- collaborate with others
- simultaneously work on a code base
- keep old versions of files
- keep a log of the who, when, what, and why of any changes
- perform release engineering by creating branches

- Source Code Control System (SSCS) begat the Revision Control System (RCS).
- RCS operates on a single file; still in use for misc. OS config files
- the Concurrent Versions System (CVS) introduces a client-server architecture, control of hierarchies
- Subversion provides atomic commits, renaming, cheap branching etc.
- Git, Mercurial etc. implement a distributed approach (ie peer-to-peer versus client-server), adding other features (cryptographic authentication of history, ...)

Examples:

http://cvsweb.netbsd.org/bsdweb.cgi/src/bin/ls/

http://svnweb.freebsd.org/base/stable/9/bin/ls/

http://git.savannah.gnu.org/cgit/coreutils.git/log/

http://cvsweb.netbsd.org/bsdweb.cgi/src/share/misc/bsd-family-tree?rev=HEAD

Revision Control: Branching

Different strategies:

- trunk / master is fragile
 - trunk is work in progress, may not even compile
 - all work happens in trunk
 - releases are tagged on trunk, then branched
- trunk / master is stable
 - master is always stable
 - all work is done in branches (feature or bugfix)
 - feature branches are deleted after merge
 - releases are made automatically from master

You may combine these as *release branching / feature branching / task branching*.

Commit Messages

Commit messages are like comments: too often useless and misleading, but critical in understanding human thinking behind the code.

Commit messages should be full sentences in correct and properly formatted English.

Commit messages briefly summarize the *what*, but provide important historical context as to the *how* and, more importantly, *why*.

Commit messages SHOULD reference and integrate with ticket tracking systems.

See also:

- http://is.gd/Wd1LhA
- http://is.gd/CUtwhA
- http://is.gd/rPQj5E

- \$ cd freebsd/bin/ls
- \$ git log | cat

Links

Revision Control:

http://cvsbook.red-bean.com/cvsbook.html

http://svnbook.red-bean.com/

http://git-scm.com/

GDB:

http://sources.redhat.com/gdb/current/onlinedocs/gdb_toc.html

http://heather.cs.ucdavis.edu/~matloff/UnixAndC/CLanguage/Debug.html

http://www.unknownroad.com/rtfm/gdbtut/gdbtoc.html