

Operating Systems 2021/2022

TP Class 01 – Introduction, Linux and C programming

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operating system

noun

the collection of software that directs a computer's operations, controlling and scheduling the execution of other programs, and managing storage, input/output, and communication resources.

Abbreviation: OS

Source: Dictionary.com



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INTRODUCTION

These classes...

- Outline of TP lessons
 - Practice-oriented topics
 - Technologies and tools related with assignments
 - Discussion of assignments
 - Resolution of problems and questions
 - Support and assistance to students assignments
 - Resolution of exercises from T Classes

LINUX

How to get Linux in your computer

- Install a Linux distribution
 - Any PC/server flavor will work
- In Windows... use Cygwin*might need some tweaking
- In Mac... you might not need it! *might need some tweaking
- Use a LiveCD
- Use a Virtual Machine (preferred solution if you don't want to risk breaking something!)
 - VMWare, VirtualBOX, ...

How to get Linux in your computer

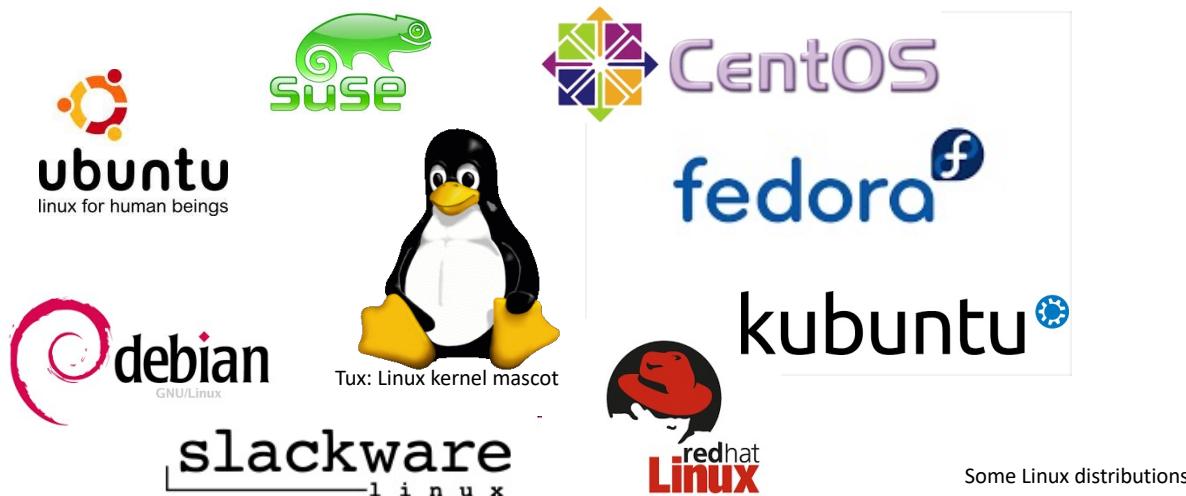
- However, for classes...
 - Ubuntu/LUbuntu was chosen for classes
 - Some options:
 - Install Linux as your main operating system or in dual boot
 - Use a Virtual Machine with a LUbuntu/Ubuntu distribution
 - Many software hypervisors available (e.g. VMWare, VirtualBOX)
 - Preferred solution if you don't want to risk breaking something!
 - Student's host system continues available
 - Create your own Virtual Machine with Linux
 - You should try to install a operating system from scratch
 - A Tutorial is given to help you
 - Use the Linux VM supplied - has all course sw already installed
 - Use student2.dei.uc.pt

Best
option for
classes!

Warning: the project code submitted must run in student2 or in the Linux VM supplied!

Introducing Linux

- Linus Torvalds created the Linux core, the kernel
 - Additional software (utilities, libraries, GUI, etc.) programs and documentation bundled together with a Linux core make different Linux distributions

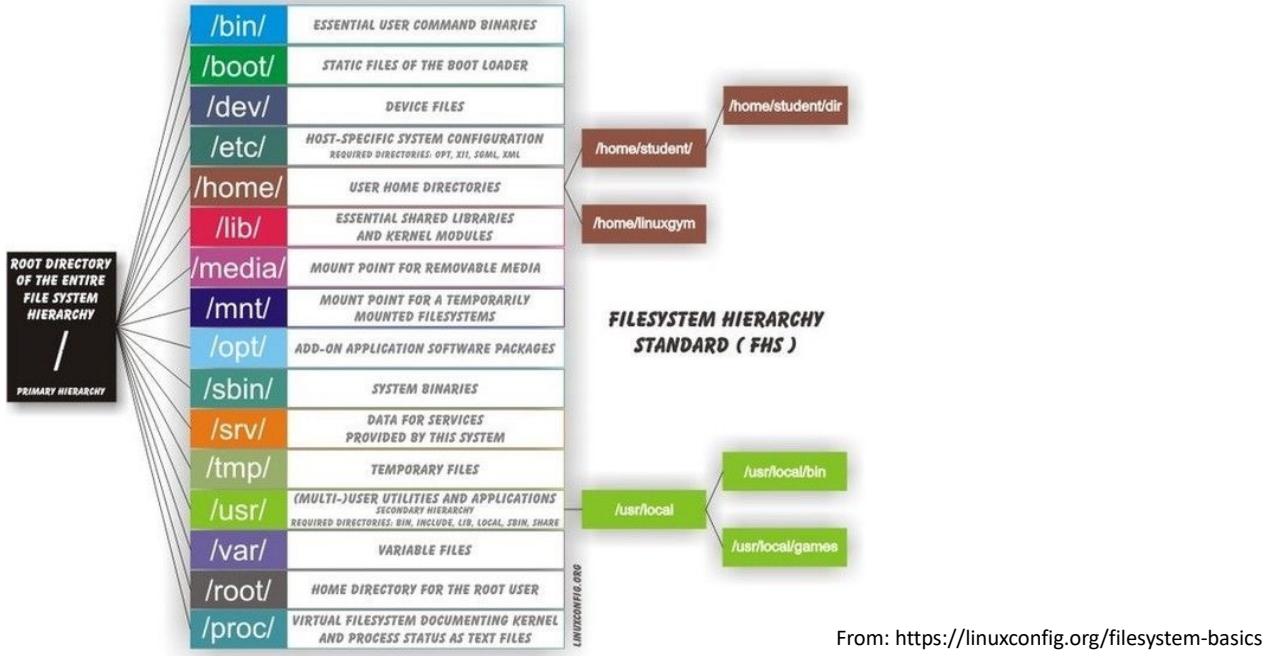


Introducing Linux

- Linux is multitask and multiuser
- Linux components
 - Kernel: OS core
 - Filesystem: deals with files
 - Shell: the command interpreter

Introducing Linux Filesystem

■ Standard hierarchy in a Linux file system



Introducing Linux Filesystem

- Each directory has, at least, 2 files
 - “.” – current directory
 - “..” – parent directory
 - “~” – accesses user home directory
 - E.g.

cd ~/so	->	cd /home/vasco/so
cd ~vasco/so	->	cd /home/vasco/so
- Files are case-sensitive
- Everything is a file
- Every program executed by the shell starts with 3 open file descriptors (0,1,2) = (*stdin*, *stdout*, *stderr*)

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Filesystem

- **File types**
 - **Regular files** – files that contain user/programs data, programs, text, etc.
 - **Directories** – files with information about files or other directories below
 - **Special files** – support block devices, character devices, named pipes, Unix domain sockets. Enables access to devices such as terminals, printers, disks, etc., and are accessed in the same way as other files

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Filesystem

- **Filesystems supported**
 - Linux supports different filesystems including physical, virtual and network ones
 - Examples:
 - NFS – Network File System
 - ext2, ext3, ext4 – Extended filesystem
 - XFS
 - FAT
 - ...
 - The LUbuntu 20.04 uses *ext4* filesystem

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Filesystem

Permissions

- The standard permissions and security mechanism in Linux is the same as that in Unix

```
user1@ubuntu:~/Desktop$ ls -la
drwxr-xr-x  3 user1 group1 4096 Sep 10 16:19 .
drwxr-xr-x 10 user1 group1 4096 Sep  4 02:22 ..
drwxrwxr-x  2 user1 group1 4096 Sep 15 2015 temp
-rwxrwxr-x  1 user1 group1 7383 Sep 10 16:19 trab01
-rw-rw-r--  1 user1 group1  558 Sep 10 15:31 trab01.c
```

The diagram shows the output of the `ls -la` command with numbered arrows pointing to specific fields:

- 1: file type (d for directory)
- 2: file permissions (drwxr-xr-x)
- 3: hard links to file (3)
- 4: file owner (user1)
- 5: file group (group1)
- 6: file size (bytes) (4096)
- 7: time of last modification (Sep 10 16:19)
- 8: file name (trab01)

Below the permissions, a breakdown shows the octal representation (rwx rwx rwx) and the corresponding users (user, group, others):

```

rwx rwx rwx
111 111 111
user group others
  
```

Permissions: read (r) ; write(w) ; execute(x)

1 - file type
 2 - file permissions
 3 - hard links to file
 4 - file owner
 5 - file group
 6 - file size (bytes)
 7 - time of last modification
 8 - file name

File types

-	: regular file
b	: block special file
c	: character special file
d	: directory
l	: symbolic link
n	: network file
p	: FIFO
s	: socket

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Filesystem

Permissions (cont.)

- Change permissions

- `chmod {ugoa}{+-}{rwx} {file}`
 - u**=user who owns file, **g**=users in file group, **o**=other users, **a**=all
 - '+'**= give permission; **'-'**= remove permission
- `chmod {octal mode} {file}`
- E.g.
 - `$ chmod 777 temp` # rwx rwx rwx
 - `$ chmod 700 temp` # rwx --- ---
 - `$ chmod 660 temp` # rw- rw- ---
 - `$ chmod u+r temp` # adds owner r permission
 - `$ chmod g+rwx temp` # adds group rwx permission
 - `$ chmod g-wx temp` # removes wx permission from group
- Example of octal conversion: 6 (octal) = 110 (binary) => rw-
- Use `umask` to define a mask for new files

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Basic shell commands (I)

■ Getting help

- **man keyword**
 - # online manual
 - # shows them command page for the keyword
 - #specified
 - # Navigation in manual:
 - # 'b': previous page
 - # 'space': next page;
 - # '/' search
 - # Keyboard arrows: up/down 1 line
 - # 'q' quit

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Basic shell commands (I)

■ Getting help (2)

- **man [section number] keyword**
 - A manual is divided into multiple sections; commands with the same name can be found in different sections.
 - By specifying a section, only a specific section of a manual is shown.
 - Linux manual sections:
 - 1: General commands
 - 2: System calls
 - 3: Library functions
 - 4: Special files
 - 5: File formats and conventions
 - 6: Games and screensavers
 - 7: Miscellaneous
 - 8: System administration commands and daemons

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Basic shell commands (I)

■ Getting help (3)

■ **man** –k Keyword

The option “-k” searches the given keyword as
a regular expression in all the manuals and
returns the manual pages with the section
number in which commands are found.

■ **apropos** keyword

search the manual page names and
descriptions to find the right man page

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Basic shell commands (II)

■ Work with directories and files

- **pwd**
- **ls [-a] [wildcard]**
- **cd directory**
- **mkdir directory**
- **rmdir directory**
- **cp file1 file2**
- **mv file1 file2**
- **rm file**
- **ln [-s] file linkname**

- # print working directory
- # list directory contents
- # change directory
- # make a new directory
- # remove a directory
- # copy file(s)
- # move file(s)
- # remove file(s)
- # make a symbolic link to a file/directory

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Basic shell commands (III)

- **cat** *file* # concatenate and print files to *stdout*
- **more** *file* # print files to *stdout* page by page
- **grep** *[-n] "string" file* # print lines from a file that match a pattern
- **diff** *file1 file2* # compare two files
- **sort** *file* # sort a file
- **cut** *-c list} {-f list -d }* # cut parts from a file
- **wc** *{-lwc} file* # line, word, character count
- **file** *file* # determine the file type
- **head** *file* # shows the start of a file
- **tail** *file* # shows the end of a file
- **chmod** *{ugoa} {+-} {rwx} file* # change the permissions mode of a file
- **chown** *[owner][:group] file(s)* # change file owner and group

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Basic shell commands (IV)

■ Working with processes

- **ps** *[-a]* # process status
- **Kill** *-{SIGNAL}* *pid* # sends a signal to a process
(*SIGNAL*=-9 terminates a process)

■ Working with users

- **who** or **w** # display who is logged in the system
- **whoami** # who am I
- **passwd** # change user password

■ Editors

- **nano** *file* # file editor
- **vi** *file* # file editor
- **emacs** *file* # file editor

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Basic shell commands (V)

■ Other

- **date** # print date & time
- **cal month year** # calendar
- **find dir {-name file -print}** # find a file starting at directory *dir*
- **sleep seconds** # suspend execution for n seconds
- **lpr -Pprinter file** # send a job to the printer
- **echo 'string'** # echo arguments to the standard output
- **clear** # clear the terminal screen
- **csh script** # C-shell command interpreter
- **uname** # print system information
- **du** # estimate file space usage
- **df** # report file system disk space usage
use *-K* for 1K blocks
use *-T* to include the file system type

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Basic shell commands (VI)

- **Ctrl-c** # cancel a foreground process
- **Ctrl-z** # suspend a foreground process
- **command &** # put a process in background
- **jobs** # list the background processes
- **fg** # resume to foreground a stopped process
- **fg %job_number** # bring a background job into the foreground
- **bg** # put in background a stopped process
- **Redirection (> output < input)**
 - **command > file** # redirect *stdout*
 - **command >> file** # redirect *stdout* but append
 - **command >& file** # redirect *stdout* and *stderr*
 - **(command > file1) > &file2** # redirect *stdout* to file1 and *stderr* to file2
 - **command < file** # redirect *stdin*
 - **command1 | command2** # pipe between two commands

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Basic shell commands (VII)

- Some metacharacters

- * # file substitution wildcard; zero or more characters
- ? # file substitution wildcard; one character
- [] # file substitution wildcard; any character between brackets
- ; # command separator
- E.g.

```
$ ls
a  aaa.c  aa.c  aba.c  aea.c  bb  cde.c  dd.txt
$ ls *.c
aaa.c  aa.c  aba.c  aea.c  cde.c
$ ls a*
a  aaa.c  aa.c  aba.c  aea.c
$ ls a?a.c
aaa.c  aba.c.  aea.c
$ ls a[eb]a.c
aba.c  aea.c
$ ls ??.*
aa.c  dd.txt
```

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Basic shell commands (VIII)

- sudo

- Gives root privileges to any particular command that a user wants to execute; it demands the user password; not all users have permissions to use sudo

- su (substitute user)

- Is used to switch from one account to another. The user will be prompted for the password of the user switching to.
- If user types only 'su' without any option then It will be considered as root and user will be prompted to enter root user password.

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Basic shell commands (IX)

- Handling packages
 - Installing new packages
 - `sudo apt install {package}`
 - Remove packages but leave configuration files
 - `sudo apt remove {package}`
 - Remove packages and configuration files
 - `sudo apt purge {package}`
 - Cleaning old packages
 - To delete downloaded packages already installed (and no longer needed)
 - `sudo apt clean`
 - To remove all stored archives in cache, for packages that can not be downloaded anymore:
 - `sudo apt autoclean`
 - To remove all unnecessary packages
 - `sudo apt autoremove`
 - To delete old kernel versions
 - `sudo apt remove --purge linux-image-X.X.XX-XX-generic`
 - If you don't know which kernel version to remove
 - `dpkg --get-selections | grep linux-image`
 - Note:
 - Before Ubuntu 16.04 use `apt-get` command instead of `apt`

BASIC SHELL PROGRAMMING

Basic Shell Programming

■ Linux Shell

- The shell is the command interpreter
- Some shells used in Linux:
 - sh: Bourne shell
 - csh: C shell has a syntax modeled after C programming language
 - bash: Bourne-again shell, a new version of the Bourne Shell

Basic Shell Programming

■ Basic Shell Programming in /bin/bash

- A shell script is a series of commands written in a plain text file
- A shell script can take input from user, file and output them on screen
- Why writing shell scripts?
 - Useful to create our own commands
 - To automate some tasks and save time

Basic Shell Programming

Individual user initialization files

- Bash shell initialization files
 - /etc/profile
 - List of commands to be executed in users login. Usually sets variables such as PATH, USER or HOSTNAME.
 - ~/.bash_profile
 - Used to configure users environments individually
 - ~/.bash_login
 - Setting that are only executed when the user logs into the system
 - ~/.profile
 - In the absence of ~/.bash_profile and ~/.bash_login, which are bash specific, ~/.profile is read. It can hold the same configurations, which are then also accessible by other shells. It was the original profile configuration for the Bourne shell.
 - ~/.bashrc
 - Script executed when a new shell is opened
 - ~/.bash_logout
 - Contains specific instructions for the logout procedure

Basic Shell Programming

- Changing shell initialization files
 - When changing files the user must reconnect to the system (make a new login) or **source** the changed file so that changes are applied.
 - E.g.:
 - `source .bashrc`
- **NOTE:**
 - Not all user individual files always exist by default. If you need, create them. Use `ls -a` command to see all files in you home directory.

Basic Shell Programming

- Variables in bash
 - Set or change the value of a variable
 - `var_name=value` (no spaces!)
 - E.g.:
 - `VAR1="Operating Systems"`
 - `VAR2=10;`
 - Precede the variable with `$` to use it
 - E.g. :
 - `echo "This class is about" $VAR1`
 - `echo "This class is about" ${VAR1}`
 - Unset a variable
 - `unset var` (no `$` before the variable)
 - E.g. :
 - `unset VAR1`

Basic Shell Programming

- Global variables
 - Global or environment variables are available in all shells. Use `env` or `printenv` to display environment variables.
- Local variables
 - Are only available in the current shell
 - NOTE: Use command `set` with no arguments to see all variables
- Export
 - A variable created in a shell with `var=value` is only available in that shell. Child processes will not be aware of the variable. In order to pass the variables to a subshell, use `export` command.
 - `export variable[=value]`
 - (changes made by child processes do not affect variable values in the parent process)

Basic Shell Programming

- Some of the reserved shell variables
 - **HOME**: current user directory
 - **PATH**: A colon-separated list of directories in which the shell looks for commands
 - **PS1**: The primary prompt string which is displayed before each command. The default value is "'\s-\v\\$'"
 - NOTE: Check the "PROMPTING" section of the Bash man page for a complete list of escape sequences.
 - man bash
 - /PROMPTING # to find PROMPTING in the man page
 - **PS2**: secondary prompt displayed when a command needs more input (e.g. a multi-line command).

Basic Shell Programming

- My first script

```
#!/bin/bash
# declare STRING variable
STRING="Hello World"
# print variable on a screen
echo $STRING
```

hello_world.sh

- Make the file executable

```
chmod +x hello_world.sh
```

- Execute the script

```
./hello_world.sh
```

Basic Shell Programming

■ Some notes:

- The first line “`#!/bin/bash`” indicates which interpreter should be used. If we don't know where our interpreter is located which command may be used to find out.
- To insert comments in the script use `#`
- Normally Bash scripts have the extension `.sh`
- When we type a command on the command line, the system runs through a preset series of directories, looking for the program we specified. These directories are defined in the variable `PATH`. If the current directory is not in the `PATH`, it will not be looked. However, if a path is given, the file is directly accessed.
 - As “`.`” denotes the current directory, `“./hello_world.sh”` accesses the file in the current directory. An absolute path could also be given.

Basic Shell Programming

■ My first script with command line arguments

```
#!/bin/bash
echo Script = $0
echo My name is $1 and I live in $2
echo $# arguments inserted: $*
```

arg_test.sh

- `$0` - The name of the script
- `$1 - $9` - Command line arguments given to the script
- `$#` - number of command line arguments given to the script
- `$*` - All of the command line arguments

■ Execute the script (example)

`./arg_test.sh Vasco Coimbra`

Basic Shell Programming

■ Back ticks

- Execute shell commands from within a script

```
#!/bin/bash
# use back ticks `` to execute shell command
echo `uname -a`
# save command in a variable
lines=`ls| wc -l`
echo Number of lines is $lines
```

backticks.sh

Basic Shell Programming

■ If-else-fi

```
if [ <some test> ]
then
<commands>
fi
```

Or (more compact)

```
if [ <some test> ]; then
<commands>
fi
```

■ If-elif-else-fi

```
if [ <some test> ]
then
<commands>
elif [ <some test> ]
then
<different commands>
else
<other commands>
fi
```

Basic Shell Programming

- Some possible tests (find more in the online manual)

```

! EXPRESSION          # The EXPRESSION is false.
-n STRING            # The length of STRING is greater than zero.
-z STRING            # The length of STRING is zero (ie it is empty).
STRING1 = STRING2   # STRING1 is equal to STRING2
STRING1 != STRING2  # STRING1 is not equal to STRING2
INTEGER1 -eq INTEGER2 # INTEGER1 is numerically equal to INTEGER2
INTEGER1 -gt INTEGER2 # INTEGER1 is numerically greater than INTEGER2
INTEGER1 -lt INTEGER2 # INTEGER1 is numerically less than INTEGER2

-d FILE              # FILE exists and is a directory.
-e FILE              # FILE exists.
-r FILE              # FILE exists and the read permission is granted.
-s FILE              # FILE exists and its size is greater than zero (ie. it is not
empty).
-w FILE              # FILE exists and the write permission is granted.
-x FILE              # FILE exists and the execute permission is granted.

```

- Boolean operators

- and - &&
- or - ||

Basic Shell Programming

- E.g.:

```

#!/bin/bash
# tests if the number sent as an argument is >=1000
if [ $1 -ge 1000 ]      # ge = greater or equal
then
echo Hey it\'s a big number.
else
echo Does not reach 1000!
fi

```

Basic Shell Programming

■ While

```
while [ <some test> ]
do
<commands>
done
```

■ E.g.:

```
#!/bin/bash
counter=1
while [ $counter -le 10 ]
do
echo $counter
counter=`expr $counter + 1`      # bash also supports ((counter++))
done                                # or let counter=$counter+1
```

Basic Shell Programming

■ For

```
for var in <list>
do
<commands>
done
```

■ E.g.:

```
#!/bin/bash
names="Coimbra Lisboa Porto"
for city in $names
do
echo $city
done
```

COMPILING AND DEBUGGING C

Compiling C programs

- Syntax

```
gcc -Wall file1.c file2.c -o trab01
```

- **file1.c and file2.c contain the source code**
- **trab01 is the name of the executable created**
- **-Wall : includes most of the warnings**
- **ATTENTION:** Solve every error and warning that is shown by the compiler. Do not ignore warnings! Normally they result from poor and error-prone coding!
- **gcc -Wall ... -c**
- **Object files ".o"**

Compiling with makefile

■ Make

```

FLAGS  = -Wall -g
CC     = gcc
PROG   = trab02
OBJS   = trab02.o queue.o

all:    ${PROG}

clean:
    rm ${OBJS} ${PROG} *~

${PROG}:      ${OBJS}
    ${CC} ${FLAGS} ${OBJS} -o $@

.c.o:
    ${CC} ${FLAGS} $< -c
#####
queue.o:  queue.h queue.c
trab02.o: queue.h trab02.c
trab02: queue.o trab02.o

```

Debugging

■ Why use a debugger?

- It helps the programmer to find and fix errors in programs.

■ How to debug C in Linux?

- Compile using option `-g` (debug information)

- E.g. `gcc -Wall -g prog1.c -o prog1`

- Use `gdb` (GNU debugger)

- `gdb {executable}` E.g. `gdb trab01`

- `gdb --core={core}`

- Core dump size

- `ulimit -a` //get current maximum size
 - `ulimit -c {size/unlimited}` //set maximum core dump size (in Mac OS look in /cores/)

- Some functionalities of `gdb`

- Inspect program state
 - Create breakpoints in execution
 - Run step by step

Commands and more information:
See “GNU debugger” tutorial and
“Assignment 01”!

Class demos included

- C examples:
 - User input
 - Accessing files
 - ...
- Shell scripts used in the slides

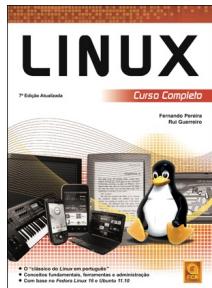
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 - <https://www.gnu.org/software/bash/manual/bash.pdf>

Where to learn more?



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7^a Edição”, 2012
Fernando Pereira, Rui Guerreiro
FCA
- **AT&T Archives: The UNIX Operating System**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tc4ROCJYbm0>

Thank you! Questions?



I keep six honest serving men. They taught me all I knew. Their names are What and Why and When and How and Where and Who.
—Rudyard Kipling