

UNIX for Programmers and Users

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Change File Permissions: chmod

`chmod -R change fileName`

- The `chmod` utility changes the `modes (permissions)` of the specified files according to the change parameters, which may take the following forms:

`clusterSelection+newPermissions` (add permissions)

`clusterSelection-newPermissions` (subtract permissions)

`clusterSelection=newPermissions` (assign permissions absolutely)

- where `clusterSelection` is any combination of:

`u` (user/owner)

`g` (group)

`o` (others)

`a` (all)

and `newPermissions` is any combination of

`r` (read)

`w` (write)

`x` (execute)

`s` (set user ID/set group ID)

Changing File Permissions

- Note that **changing a directory's permission settings** doesn't change the settings of the files that it contains.
- The **-R option** recursively changes the modes of the files in directories.

Ex: Remove read permission from groups

\$ **ls -lg heart.final** --> to view the settings before the change.

```
-rw-r----- 1 glass music 213 Jan 31 00:12 heart.final
```

\$ **chmod g-r heart.final**

\$ **ls -lg heart.final**

```
-rw----- 1 glass music 213 Jan 31 00:12 heart.final
```

\$ _

Changing File Permissions: examples

Requirement	Change parameters
Add group write permission	g+w
Remove user read and write permission	u-rw
Add execute permission for user, group, and others.	a+x
Give the group read permission only.	g=r
Add write permission for user, and remove group read permission.	u+w,g-r

Changing File Permission: examples

- Example:

\$ **cd** --> change to home directory.

\$ **ls -ld .** --> list attributes of home directory.

drwxr-xr-x 45 glass 4096 Apr 29 14:35

\$ **chmod o-rx** --> update permissions.

\$ **ls -ld .** --> confirm.

drwxr-x--- 45 glass 4096 Apr 29 14:35

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Changing File Permissions Using Octal Numbers

- The `chmod` utility allows to specify the new permission setting of a file as an octal number.
- Each octal digit represents a permission triplet.

For example, for a file to have the permission settings of `rwxr-x---` the octal permission setting would be 750, calculated as follows:

	User	Group	Others
setting	rwX	r-X	---
binary	111	101	000
octal	7	5	0

Changing File Permissions Using Octal Numbers

- The octal permission setting would be supplied to chmod as follows:

```
$ chmod 750 . --> update permissions.
```

```
$ ls -ld . --> confirm.
```

```
drwxr-x---  45  glass  4096  Apr 29 14:35
```

```
$ _
```

Listing Group: groups

- `groups`
- The `groups` utility allows you to list all of the groups that you're a member of, and it works like this:

`groups` `userId`

- When invoked with no arguments, the group utility displays a list of all of the groups that you are a member of.
- If the name of a user is specified, a list of the groups to which that user belongs are displayed.
- Example:

```
$ groups userId
```

```
cs      music
```

```
$ _
```

--> list my groups

Changing File Group: chgrp

- Changing a File's group : chgrp

chgrp -R groupname fileName

- The **chgrp** utility allows a user to change the group of files that he/she owns.
- A super-user can change the group of any file.
- All of the files that follow the groupname argument are affected.
- The **-R option** recursively changes the group of the files in a directory.

Changing File Group: example

```
$ ls -lg heart.final
```

```
-rw-r--r--  1  glass  cs  213 Jan 31 00:12 heart.final
```

```
$ chgrp music heart.final --> change the group.
```

```
$ ls -lg heart.final --> confirm the changes.
```

```
-rw-r--r--  1  glass  music 213 Jan 31 00:12 heart.final
```

```
$ _
```

- The `chgrp` utility is also used to change the group of a directory.

Changing File Owner: chown

`chown -R newUserId fileName`

- The `chown` utility allows a super-user to change the ownership of files.
- Some Unix versions allow the owner of the file to reassign ownership to another user.
- All of the files that follow the `newUserId` argument are affected.
- The `-R` option recursively changes the owner of the files in directories.

Changing File Owner: chown

- Example: change the ownership of “heart.final” to “tim” and then back to “glass” again:

\$ **ls -lg heart.final** --> to view the owner before the change.

```
-rw-r----- 1 glass music 213 Jan 31 00:12 heart.final
```

\$ **chown tim heart.final** --> change the owner to “tim”.

\$ **ls -lg heart.final** --> to view the owner after the change.

```
-rw-r----- 1 tim music 213 Jan 31 00:12 heart.final
```

\$ **chown glass heart.final** --> change the owner back to “glass”.

\$ _

Change User Groups: newgrp

`newgrp [-][groupname]`

- The `newgrp` utility with a groupname as an argument, **creates a new shell with an effective group ID** corresponding to the groupname.
- The old shell sleeps until the termination of the newly created shell.
- User must be **a member of the specified group**.
- If the argument is a dash(-) instead of **a groupname**, **a shell is created with the same settings** as those of the shell that was created by logging into the system.

Changing Groups: example

\$ **date > test1** --> create from a “cs” group shell.

\$ **newgrp music** --> create a “music” group shell.

\$ **date > test2** --> create from a “music” group shell.

^D

\$ **ls -lg test1 test2** --> look at each file’s attributes.

-rw-r--r--	1	glass	cs	29 Jan 31	22:57	test1
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-rw-r--r--	1	glass	music	29 Jan 31	22:57	test2
------------	---	-------	-------	-----------	-------	-------

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Adding group & assigning to user

- `sudo groupadd -g 2000 ug1`
- `sudo tail /etc/group`
- `groups srd`
- `sudo adduser srd ug1`
- `groups srd`

UNIX Shells

• INTRODUCTION

A shell is a program that is an interface between a user and the raw operating system.

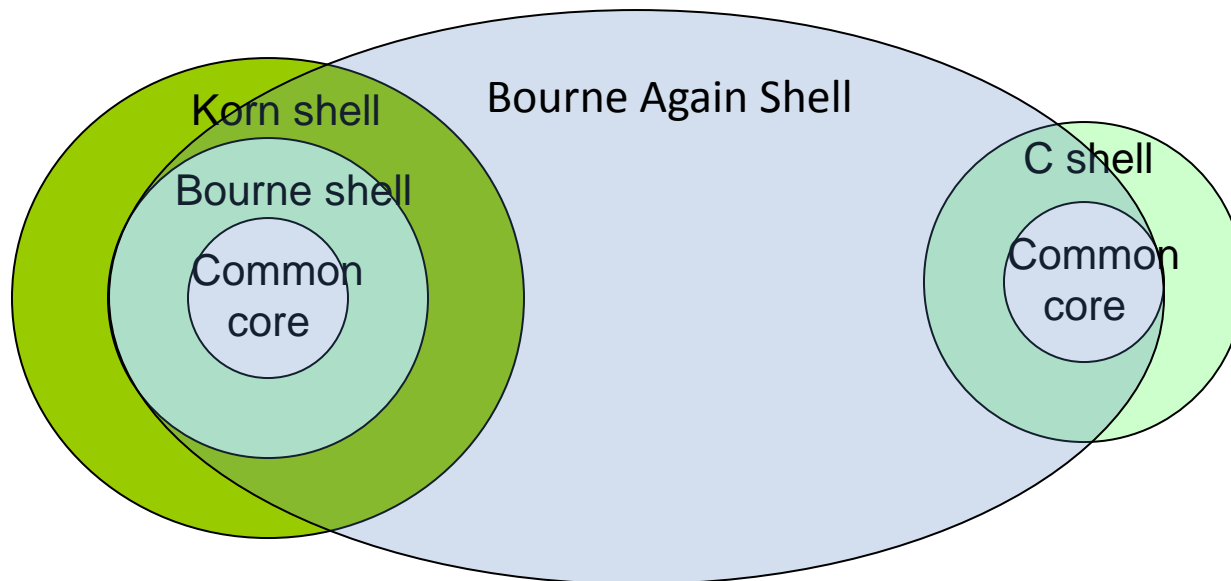
It makes basic facilities such as multitasking and piping easy to use, and it adds useful file-specific features such as wildcards and I/O redirection.

There are four common shells in use:

- the Bourne shell
- the Korn shell
- the C shell
- the Bash shell (Bourne Again Shell)

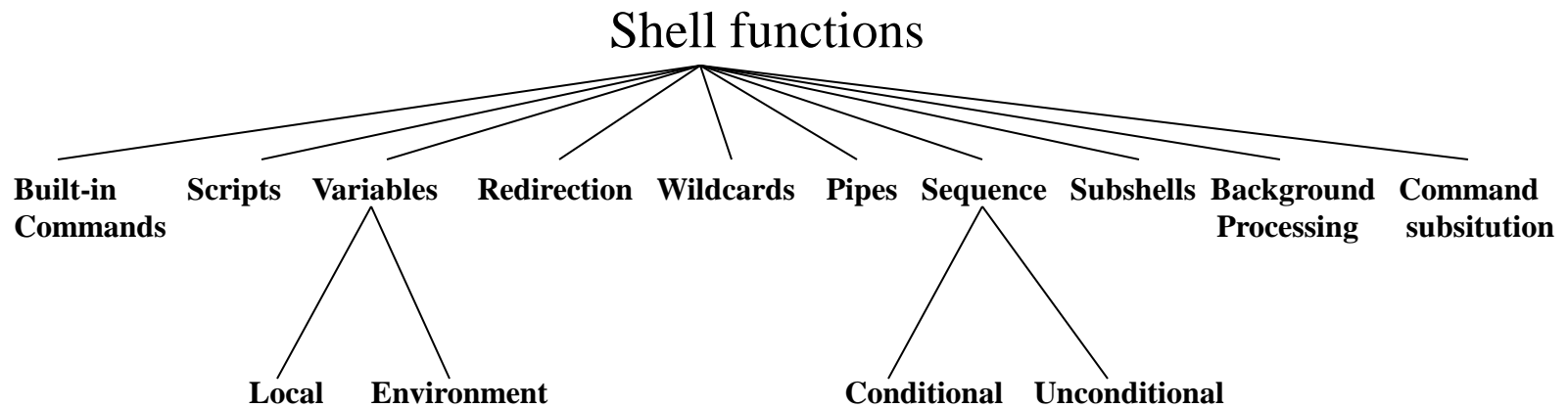
- **SHELL FUNCTIONALITY**

- Here is a diagram that illustrates the relationship among the four shells:



- **SHELL FUNCTIONALITY**

- The features shared by the four shells



- **SELECTING A SHELL**

The system administrator chooses a shell for any UNIX user.

\$ prompt represents probably a Bash, Bourne or a Korn shell.

% prompt represents probably a C shell.

- **Utility : chsh**

- **chsh** allows you to change your default login shell.

It prompts you for the full pathname of the new shell,
which is then used as your shell for subsequent logins.

- In order to use **chsh**, you must know the full pathnames of the four shells. Here they are:

Shell	Full pathname
Bourne	/bin/sh
Bash	/bin/bash
Korn	/bin/ksh
C	/bin/csh

- **SELECTING A SHELL**

Change the default login shell from a Bourne shell to a Bash shell:

\$ **echo \$SHELL** ---> display the name of current login shell.
/bin/bash ---> full pathname of the Bash shell.

\$ **chsh** ---> change the login shell from bash to sh.
Changing login shell for glass
Old shell : /bin/bash ---> pathname of old shell is displayed.
New shell: /bin/sh ---> enter full pathname of new shell.

\$ **echo \$SHELL**
/bin/sh ---> full pathname of the Bourne shell.
\$

• SHELL OPERATIONS

When a shell is invoked, either automatically during a login or manually from a keyboard or script, it follows a preset sequence:

1. It reads a special startup file, typically located in the user's home directory, that contains some initialization information.
2. It displays a prompt and waits for a user command.
3. If the user enters a Control-D character on a line of its own, this command is interpreted by the shell as meaning "end of input", and it causes the shell to terminate;

otherwise, the shell executes the user's command and returns to step 2.

• SHELL OPERATIONS

Commands range from simple utility invocations like:

```
$ ls
```

to complex-looking pipeline sequences like:

```
$ ps -ef | sort | wc -l
```

- a command with a backslash(\) character, and the shell will allow you to continue the command on the next line:

```
$ echo this is a very long shell command and needs to \
  be extended with the line-continuation character. Note \
  that a single command may be extended for several lines.
```

```
$ _
```

- **EXECUTABLE FILES VERSUS BUILT-IN COMMANDS**

Most UNIX commands **invoke utility programs** that are stored in the directory hierarchy.

Utilities are stored in files that have **execute permission**.

For example, when you type

```
$ ls
```

the shell locates the executable program called “ls”, which is typically found in the **“/bin”** directory, and executes it.

- **Displaying Information : echo**

The built-in echo command displays its arguments to standard output and works like this:

Shell Command: **echo** arg

echo is a built-in shell command that displays all of its arguments to standard output.

By default, it appends a new line to the output.

- **Changing Directories : cd**

The built-in cd command changes the current working directory of the shell to a new location.

- **METACHARACTERS**

Some characters are processed specially by a shell and are known as **metacharacters**.

All four shells share a core set of common metacharacters, whose meanings are described in next two slides.

- **METACHARACTERS**

Symbol	Meaning
>	Output redirection; writes standard output to a file.
>>	Output redirection; appends standard output to a file.
<	Input redirection; reads standard input from a file.
<<	Input redirection; End of file (EoF) customization.
*	File-substitution wildcard; matches zero or more characters.
?	File-substitution wildcard; matches any single character.
[...]	File-substitution wildcard; matches any character between the brackets.

- **METACHARACTERS**

Symbol	Meaning
	Pipe symbol; sends the output of one process to the input of another.
	Conditional execution; executes a command if the previous one fails.
&&	Conditional execution; executes a command if the previous one succeeds.
&	Runs a command in the background.
\$	Expands the value of a variable.
\	Prevents special interpretation of the next character.

- **METACHARACTERS**

- When you enter a command,
the shell **scans it for metacharacters** and processes them specially.

When all metacharacters have been processed,
the command is finally executed.

- **Backslash(\)**

To turn off the special meaning of a metacharacter, precede it by a **backslash(\)** character.

Here's an example:

\$ **echo hi > file** ---> store output of echo in "file".

\$ **cat file** ---> look at the contents of "file".
hi

\$ **echo hi \> file** ---> inhibit > metacharacter.
hi > file ---> > is treated like other characters.

\$ _

- **Redirection**

The shell redirection facility allows to:

- 1) store the output of a process to a file (**output redirection**)
- 2) use the contents of a file as input to a process (**input redirection**)

Output redirection

To redirect output, use either the ">" or ">>" metacharacters.

The sequence

```
$ command > fileName
```

sends **the standard output of command** to the file with name fileName.

The shell **creates the file with name fileName** if it doesn't already exist or **overwrites its previous contents** if it does already exist.

- If the file already exists but **doesn't have write permission**, an error occurs.

\$ **cat > alice.txt** **---> creates a text file.**

In my dreams that fill the night,

I see your eyes,

^D

---> end of input.

\$ **cat alice.txt**

In my dreams that fill the night, **---> look at its contents.**

I see your eyes,

\$ _

- The sequence

`$ command >> fileName`

appends the standard output of command to the file with name fileName.

`$ cat >> alice.txt` ---> append to the file.

And I fall into them,
Like Alice fell into Wonderland.

`^D` ---> end of input.

`$ cat alice.txt` ---> look at the new contents.

In my dreams that fill the night,
I see your eyes,
And I fall into them,
Like Alice fell into Wonderland.

`$ _`

- The Bash, C and Korn shells also provide protection against accidental overwriting of a file due to output redirection.

In Bash:

```
$ set -o noclobber
```

```
$ echo text > test
```

```
$ echo text > test
```

```
bash: test: cannot overwrite existing file
```

```
$ echo text >| test
```

```
$ _
```

set +o noclobber → to revert the effect

- **Input Redirection**

To redirect input, use either the '`<`' or '`<<`' metacharacters.

The sequence

```
$ command < fileName
```

executes command using the contents of the file fileName as its standard input.

If the file doesn't exist or doesn't have read permission, an error occurs.

- When the shell encounters a sequence of the form

`$ command << word`

- it **copies its standard input up to**, but not including, the line starting with word **into a buffer** and then **executes command using the contents of the buffer** as its standard input.
- that allows shell programs(scripts) **to supply the standard input to other commands** as in-line text,

```
$ cat << eof
```

```
> line 1
```

```
> line 2
```

```
> line 3
```

```
> eof
```

```
line 1
```

```
line 2
```

```
line 3
```

```
$ _
```

- **FILENAME SUBSTITUTION(WILDCARDS)**

- All shells support a wildcard facility that allows you to select files that satisfy a particular name pattern from the file system.
- The wildcards and their meanings are as follows:

Wildcard	Meaning
*	Matches any string, including the empty string.
?	Matches any single character.
[..]	Matches any one of the characters between the brackets. A range of characters may be specified by separating a pair of characters by a hyphen.

- Prevent the shell from processing the wildcards in a string by surrounding the string with single quotes(apostrophes) or double quotes.
- A backslash(/) character in a filename must be matched explicitly.

\$ **ls -FR** ---> recursively list the current directory.

a.c b.c cc.c dir1/ dir2/

dir1:

d.c e.e

dir2:

f.d g.c

\$ **ls *.c** ---> list any text ending in ".c".

a.c b.c cc.c

\$ **ls ?.c** ---> list text for which one character is followed by ".c".

a.c b.c

\$ **ls [ac]*** ---> list any string beginning with "a" or "c".

a.c cc.c

\$ **ls [A-Za-z]*** ---> list any string beginning with a letter.

a.c b.c cc.c

\$ **ls dir*/*.c** ---> list all files ending with ".c" in "dir*" directories
---> (that is, in any directories beginning with "dir").

dir1/d.c dir2/g.c

\$ **ls */*.c** ---> list all files ending in ".c" in any subdirectory.

dir1/d.c dir2/g.c

\$ **ls *2/?.* ?.*** ---> list all files with extensions in "2*" directories
and current directory.

a.c b.c dir2/f.d dir2/g.c

\$ _