

Lecture 2. Basic Linux commands

understand various linux commands, understand absolute/relative path,
understand linux file tree, understand file access permission,
understand shell special symbols

Site for linux commands, system calls, and c library functions

<http://linux.die.net/man/>
section 1: linux command list
section 2: linux system call list
section 3: linux library function list

Or

<http://www.oreillynet.com/linux/cmd/> for linux command list
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_C_functions for c standard library functions

command: utility programs. ls, cat, cp, ...

C library functions: system functions that you can use in your C program. Provided by the C compiler. printf(), scanf(), strlen(), ...

System calls: system functions that you can use in your C program. Provided by the Operating system. read(), write(), socket(), ...

1. Accessing lab server from PC

- download putty.exe from I-class or Interent
- run putty.exe
- login with
 - user id: 12345 (your student ID)
 - passwd: p12345 (p + your student ID)

For Mac, open the terminal window and enter "ssh userID@ip-addr". userID is your student ID (explained below) and ip-addr is either 165.246.38.151 or 165.246.38.152 (also explained below). For Chromebook, use "Secure Shell App" and enter "userID@ip-addr", where userID and ip-addr are as explained above.

2. upload/download a file from/to PC

- download psftp.exe from internet
- run psftp.exe
- login with the same user id and password
- move local location with "lcd", remote location with "cd"
 - lcd . - show current directory in PC
 - lcd .. - move to parent directory in PC
 - lcd c: - move to C hard disk in PC
 - cd . - show current directory in the lab server
 - cd mydir - move to mydir in the lab server
- to download a file
 - get myfile - will download "myfile" from the lab server into PC
- to upload a file
 - put myf - will upload "myf" from PC to the lab server

3. Linux basics

1) Linux command classification

display information

general: man
process: ps, who, finger, top, last, history
file:
 location: find, which, whereis, locate
 general: ls, file
 content: cat, more, od, xxd, cmp, diff, wc, head, tail, objdump
 search: grep
 others: echo
other: tty, pwd, date, cal, df, du, uname, mount, hostname, whoami, env

manipulate information

process: kill, gcc, make, ctrl-c, ctrl-z, &, time, gdb
file:
 editor: vi, ed, sed
 file system: fsck
 directory: cd, mkdir, rmdir
 general: ln, mv, cp, rm, gzip, gunzip, tar, touch
 permission: chmod, umask, chown
terminal/login: login, exit, su, passwd, stty, clear
communication: write, mail, ftp, telnet, ifconfig
shell: sh, csh, ksh

2) file tree

```
/          -- root directory
bin        -- executable files
    ls, zip, cat, chown, df, du, env, ftp, grep, ...
etc        -- system configuration files
    password(password file), hostname(the name of this server), ...
home       -- user home directories
    linuxer2(home for user linuxer2), park(home for user park), ...
usr        -- library files, header files
    lib(library files are here), include(header files are here), ...
```

3) relative path, absolute path

If the path starts with '/', it is an absolute path; otherwise it is a relative path.

```
cd /home/linuxer1/12345  -- go to /home/linuxer1/12345
cd 12345                 -- go to directory 12345 in the current directory
                           if the current location is /home/linuxer1,
                           go to /home/linuxer1/12345
                           if the current location is /bin
                           go to /bin/12345
```

If the destination directory does not exist, the system issues an error.

4) special symbols

. : current directory
 cp f1 ./f2 -- copy f1 to f2 in the current directory
.. : parent directory
 cp f1 ../f2 -- copy f1 to f2 in the parent directory

> : standard output redirection
 cat f1 > f3 -- display the content of f1 in f3 (same effect as "cp f1 f3")
 | : pipe. redirect the standard output of the first program into the standard input of the second program
 cat f1 | more
 * : match any file name
 ls b* -- display all file/directory names that start with 'b'

4. Basic commands (<http://linux.die.net/Linux-CLI/>)

ls : listing files and directories in the current directory
 ls : list all files
 ls -l : list all files in detail
 -rwxr-xr-x 1 linuxer1 linuxer1 14 Feb 26 2013 f1

 ls -al : list all files including hidden files
 ls ex* : list all files whose name start with "ex"

pwd : show the current directory (Present Working Directory)

cd : change current directory
 cd / : go to the "/" directory (the root directory)
 cd /dev : go to /dev
 cd .. : go to the parent directory
 cd . : go to the current directory(no moving)
 cd : go to the home directory (the directory you enter when logging)

man : shows the usage of commands/system calls/c-lib functions etc. space to move to the next screen. 'q' to exit.

man ls : shows the usage of "ls" command
 man 1 kill : shows the usage of "kill" command (manual section 1)
 man 2 kill : shows the usage of "kill" system call (manual section 2)
 man kill : same as "man 1 kill"
 man 3 printf : shows the usage of "printf" c library functions (manual section 3)
 man printf : same as "man 3 printf" (printf appears at section 3)

ps : listing processes

ps : show the processes of the current user
 PID TTY TIME CMD
 12009 tty1 00:00:00 bash

 PID: process ID
 TTY: terminal id for this process
 TIME: time spent on this process
 CMD: executable file name for this process
 ps -ef : show all processes of all users
 ps -ef | more : pipeline the output of "ps -ef" to "more"
 : "more" will show the result of "ps -ef" screen by screen

mkdir : make a directory

mkdir dl

`rmdir` : remove a directory

`echo` : echo

`echo korea` : echo korea

`echo korea > f1` : redirect the standard output file of “echo” to f1.
As a result “korea” will be written to file f1.

`cp, rm, mv`: copy, remove, change the name of a file

`cp f1 f2` : copy file f1 to file f2

`cp f1 f4`

`rm f4` : remove file f4

`mv f2 f3` : change the name of file f2 to f3

`grep` : search a string

`grep -nr “ko” *` : find all files that contain string “ko”. -n means show the line number that contains “ko”. -r means “do this recursively searching down all sub-directories”. * means “all files” in the current directory.

`cat` : show the contents of a file

`cat f1` : show the contents of f1

`cat f1 > f2` : redirect the standard output file of “cat” to f2.
As a result, the data in f1 will be copied to f2.

`cat > f3` : Read data from keyboard and send them to f3.
^D will end the input.

`more` : show the contents of a file one screen at a time. <space> to move to the next screen. ‘q’ to stop.

`more f1`

`ls -al | more` : send the output of “ls -al” as an input to “more” .

As a result we can see the output of “ls -al” one screen at a time.

`ps -ef | more` : send the output of “ps -ef” to “more”

`grep -nr "ko" * | more` : display the result of "grep ..." screen by screen

`less` : similar to more

`xxd` : show the contents of a file in hexadecimal numbers

`xxd f1`

`uname` : show the operating system information

`whereis` : show the locations of the executable file of a command

`whereis kill`

`which` : show the exact location of the executable file of a command

`which kill`

`whoami` : show my user name

`find` : find the location of a file

find / -name "stdio.h" -print : find the location of "stdio.h" starting from /

file : show the file type
file f1

locate : find the location of a file in the file database

5. Homework

5.1 Do following steps.

1) Log in to a Linux server. Find your login directory with "pwd". Find your user ID with "whoami".

```
$ pwd
```

```
$ whoami
```

2) Go up the file tree with "..", display the current location with "pwd", and find other students directory name with "ls".

```
$ cd ..
```

```
$ pwd
```

```
$ ls
```

3) Pick one of the student IDs (suppose it was 12345) and try to enter his/her directory with "cd".

```
$ cd 12345
```

What happens?

4) Use "ls -l" to see the file permission of the directory you tried to enter.

```
$ ls -l
```

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.....  
drwx----- 2 12345 12345 4096 Feb 27 11:47 12345  
.....
```

d: this file is a directory

rwX: the owner can read/write/execute this file

--- : the group member has no read/write/execute permission

--- : other people has no read/write/execute permission

2 : there are two links to this file

12345 : the user ID of the owner of this file

12345 : the group ID of of the owner of this file

4096 : the byte size of this file

Feb 27 11:47 : the creation time or last modification time of this file

12345 : file name

Explain why you couldn't enter the directory you picked.

5) Find out your current location again with "pwd".

```
$ pwd
```

6) Go to the root directory with "cd /" and make sure you are really at the top directory with "pwd".

```
$ cd /
```

```
$ pwd
```

7) How many files you have in the root directory? Some of them are not directory files. Find them with "ls -l". Use "file" command to see more detailed info.

```
$ ls -l
```

```
$ file *
```

```
$ file lib
```

8) * is a wild card character meaning it will be replaced by all file names in the current directory.

```
$ file *
```

is same as

```
$ file app bin boot dev .... (all file names in the current directory)
```

```
$ file b*
```

is same as

```
$ file bin boot
```

9) If you want to go back to your login directory (suppose it was /home/sp1/12345), you can cd with absolute path, cd with relative path, or just "cd".

```
cd /home/sp1/12345 -- go to absolute path "/home/sp1/12345"
```

```
cd home/sp1/12345 -- go to "home" in the current directory and go to "sp1"
                    and then to "12345", that is go to relative directory
                    "home/sp1/12345"
```

```
cd -- go to the login directory of the current user
```

Use one of above methods to go back to your login directory (or home directory).

10) Confirm your current location with "pwd".

11) List all files in your directory with "ls" command.

12) Try "echo" command.

```
$ echo korea
```

korea

```
$ echo hello
```

hello

11) Try "echo" with ">" symbol. ">" is called "standard output redirection".

```
$ echo hello > f1
```

">" sends the result to "f1" so there is no output shown in the terminal but you will have f1 in the current directory.

12) Do "ls" to see you can find f1 in the current directory. Show its content with "cat".

```
$ ls
```

```
$ cat f1
```

13) Make a directory, d1, with "mkdir".

```
$ mkdir d1
```

14) Copy f1 into directory d1.

```
$ cp f1 d1 -- make a copy of f1 inside directory d1 under the same name.
```

```
$ cd d1
```

```
$ ls
```

```
$ cat f1
```

```
$ cd ..
```

```
$ cp f1 d1/f2 -- make a copy of f1 inside d1 under another name f2
```

```
$ cd d1
```

```
$ ls
```

5.2 Do followings and explain what happens and why.

```
$ cd
```

```
$ ls
```

```
$ ls -l
```

```
$ ls -al
```

```
$ cd /
```

```
$ cd bin
```

```
$ ls
```

```
$ ls bz*
```

```
$ cd
$ pwd
$ man ls
$ echo hello
$ echo hello > f4
$ ls
$ cp f4 f2
$ cat f4
$ cat f2
$ cat f2 > f3
$ ls -l f*
$ rm f2
$ ls
$ cat f4
$ xxd f4
$ mkdir d2
$ cp f4 d2
$ cd d2
$ pwd
$ ls
$ cd ..
$ grep -nr "he" *
$ ps
$ ps -ef
$ ps -ef | more
```

5.3 Run following commands and explain what happens.

chmod, clear, gzip, date, dd, df, diff, dmesg, du, env, exit, file, find, head, ifconfig,
ln, mount, netstat, stat, tail, time, touch, tty, gunzip, whereis, which, whoami,