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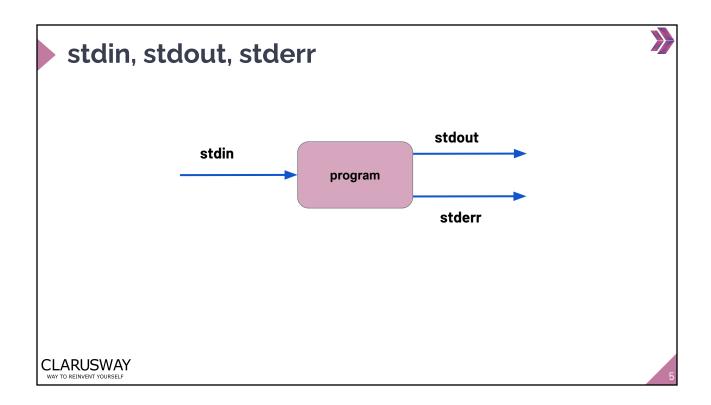
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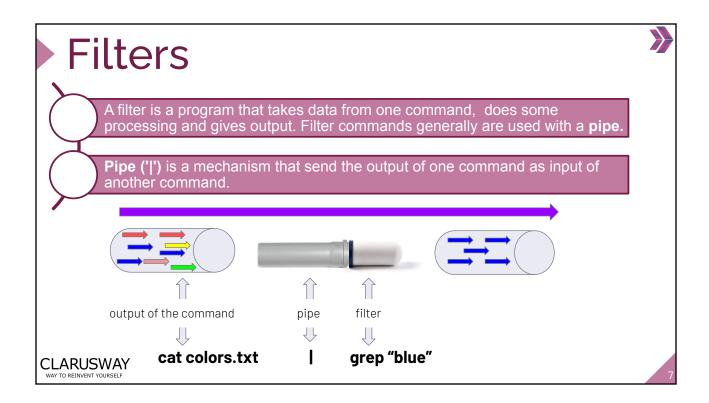
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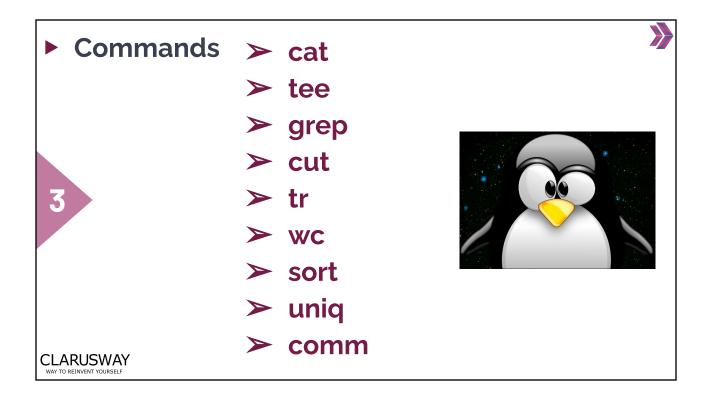
stdin, stdout, stderr













cat

When between two pipes, the cat command does nothing (except putting stdin on stdout). Displays the text of the file line by line.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat days.txt
sunday
monday
tuesday
wednesday
thursday
friday
saturday
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat days.txt | cat | cat | cat | cat
sunday
monday
tuesday
tuesday
thursday
thursday
thursday
thursday
friday
saturday
ubuntu@clarusway: $ =
```

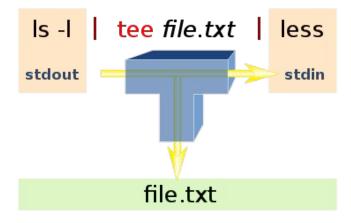


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tee

tee is almost the same as cat, except that it has two identical outputs.



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WAY TO REINVENT YOURSELF



The most common use of grep is to filter lines of text containing (or not containing) a certain string.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat tennis.txt
Amelie Mauresmo, Fra
Justine Henin, BEL
Serena Williams, USA
Venus Williams, USA
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat tennis.txt | grep Williams
Serena Williams, USA
Venus Williams, USA
ubuntu@clarusway: $
```



Filters Commands



cut

The cut filter can select columns from files, depending on a delimiter or a count of bytes

cut -d(delimiter) -f(columnNumber) <fileName>

```
user@clarusway-linux:~$ ls *.* -l
rw-r--r-- 1 user user 16 Mar 2 21:56 classes.html
      -r-- 1 user user 8980 Mar 2 21:53 examples.desktop
      r-- 1 user user 24 Mar 2 23:22 html.txt
      r-- 1 user user 17 Mar 2 22:42 lesson.txt
rw-r--r-- 1 user user 13 Mar 2 23:22 linux.txt
user@clarusway-linux:~$ ls *.* -l | cut -d' ' -f3
user
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ser
user
user
user@clarusway-linux:~$
```

CLARUSWAY WAY TO REINVENT YOURSELF



The command 'tr' stands for 'translate'.

It is used to translate, like from lowercase to uppercase and vice versa or new lines into spaces.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat clarusway.txt
Way to Reinvent Yourself
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat clarusway.txt | tr 'aer' 'iou'
Wiy to Roinvont Youusolf
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat count.txt
two
three
four
five
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat count.txt | tr '\n' ' '
one two three four five ubuntu@clarusway: $
```



tr

Filters Commands



Counting words, lines and characters is easy with wc.

- <fileName> (Counts words, lines and characters) Four WC • wc -l **<fileName>** (Counts only lines)

- wc -w <fileName> (Counts only words)
 wc -c <fileName> (Counts only characters)

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat count.txt
one
two
three
five
ubuntu@clarusway: $ wc count.txt
5 5 24 count.txt
ubuntu@clarusway: $ wc -1 count.txt
5 count.txt
ubuntu@clarusway: $ wc -w count.txt
5 count.txt
ubuntu@clarusway: $ wc -c count.txt
24 count.txt
ubuntu@clarusway: 💲 🛌
```





sort

The sort filter will default to an alphabetical sort.

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sort -r the flag returns the results in reverse order sort -f the flag does case insensitive sorting
```

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat marks.txt
John-10
James-9
Aaron-8
Oliver-7
Walter-6
ubuntu@clarusway: $ sort marks.txt
Aaron-8
James-9
John-10
Oliver-7
Walter-6
ubuntu@clarusway: $ ____
```



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Filters Commands



uniq

With the help of uniq command you can form a **sorted list** in which every word will occur only once.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat marks.txt
John
James
Aaron
Oliver
Walter
Aaron
John
James
John
ubuntu@clarusway: $ sort marks.txt | uniq
Aaron
James
John
Oliver
Walter
ubuntu@clarusway: 🖇 🕳
```

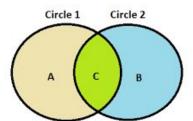




comm

The 'comm' command compares two files or streams. By default, 'comm' will always display three columns.

First column indicates non-matching items of first file, second column indicates non-matching items of second file, and third column indicates matching items of both the files. Both the files has to be in sorted order for 'comm' command to be executed.



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```
Aaron
James
John
Oliver
Walter
 buntu@clarusway: $ cat file2
iuile
James
Raymond
 buntu@clarusway: $ comm file1 file2
Aaron
        Guile
                 James
                 John
Oliver
        Raymond
Walter
```

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Exercise 1



Create a file named countries.csv with the following content

Country,Capital,Continent USA,Washington,North America France,Paris,Europe Canada,Ottawa,North America Germany,Berlin,Europe

- 2. a. Cut only "Continent" column
 - b. Remove header
 - c. Sort the output
 - d. List distinct values
 - e. Save final output to "continents.txt" file
- 3. Display content of continents.txt file







Using Control Operators





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Control Operators



We put more than one command on the command line using control operators.

Control Operator	Usage
; semicolon	More than one command can be used in a single line.
& ampersand	Command ends with & and doesn't wait for the command to finish.
\$? dollar question mark	Used to store exit code of the previous command.
&& double ampersand	Used as logical AND.
double vertical bar	Used as logical OR.
Combining && and	Used to write if then else structure in the command line.
# pound sign	Anything was written after # will be ignored.



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Semicolon (;)



You can put two or more commands on the same line separated by a semicolon (;)

```
monday
tuesday
wednesday
thursday
two
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat days.txt ; cat count.txt
sunday
monday
wednesday
thursday
friday
saturday
one
two
three
four
ibuntu@clarusway: 💲 🛓
```



Ampersand (&)

When a line ends with an ampersand &, the shell will not wait for the command to finish. You will get your shell prompt back, and the command is executed in background. You will get a message when this command has finished executing in background.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ sleep 20 &
[1] 3396
ubuntu@clarusway: $
[1]+ Done sleep 20
ubuntu@clarusway: $
```

- Look at the above snapshot, command "sleep 20 &" has displayed a message after 15 seconds.
- Meanwhile, in the shell prompt, we can write any other command.



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Dollar Question Mark (\$?)



This control operator is used to check the status of last executed command. If status shows '0' then command was successfully executed and if shows '1' then command was a failure.

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Double Ampersand (&&)





The command shell interprets the && as the logical AND. When using this command, the second command will be executed only when the first one has been successfully executed.

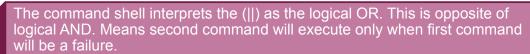
```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat days.txt && cat count.txt
sunday
monday
tuesday
wednesday
thursday
friday
saturday
one
two
three
four
five
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cd Repo && ls
                        $ _
ubuntu@clarusway:
```



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Double Vertical Bar (||)





```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat days.txt || echo "clarusway" ; echo one sunday monday tuesday wednesday thursday friday saturday one ubuntu@clarusway: $ zecho days.txt || echo "clarusway" ; echo one Command 'zecho' not found, did you mean: command 'aecho' from deb netatalk command 'echo' from deb coreutils

Try: sudo apt install <deb name> clarusway one ubuntu@clarusway: $ ____
```



Combining && and ||



You can use this logical AND and logical OR to write an if-then-else structure on the command line. This example uses echo to display whether the rm command was successful.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cat file1
Aaron
James
John
Oliver
Walter
ubuntu@clarusway: $ rm file1 && echo It worked! || echo It failed!
It worked!
ubuntu@clarusway: $ rm file1 && echo It worked! || echo It failed!
rm: cannot remove 'file1': No such file or directory
It failed!
ubuntu@clarusway: $ _
```



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Pound Sign (#)



Everything written after a pound sign (#) is ignored by the shell. This is useful to write a shell comment but has no influence on the command execution or shell expansion.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ mkdir test  # We create a directory
ubuntu@clarusway: $ cd test  # We enter the directory
ubuntu@clarusway: $ ls  # is it empty ?
ubuntu@clarusway: $
```



Escaping Special Characters (\)



Escaping characters are used to enable the use of control characters in the shell expansion but without interpreting it by the shell.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ echo this is \* symbol.
this is * symbol.
ubuntu@clarusway: $ echo this \ \ \ \is \ \ \ \clarusway.
this is clarusway.
ubuntu@clarusway: $ echo escaping \\\ \#\ \&\ \"\ \'
escaping \ # & " '
ubuntu@clarusway: $ _
```



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End of Line Backslash (\)



Lines ending in a backslash are continued on the next line. The shell does not interpret the newline character and will wait on shell expansion and execution of the command line until a newline without backslash is encountered.

```
ubuntu@clarusway: $ echo This command line \
> > is split in three \
> > parts
ubuntu@clarusway: $ This command line is split in three parts
```









Exercise



- 1. a. Search for "clarusway.txt" in the current directory
 - b. If it exists display its content
 - c. If it does not exist print message "Too early!"
- 2. Create a file named "clarusway.txt" that contains "Congratulations"
- 3. Repeat Step 1

Exercises



Is -I | cut -d' ' -f3

Is -I | tee output.txt | cut -d' ' -f3

Is -I | cut -d' ' -f3 | tee output.txt

cat file.txt | tr 'a' 'W'

cat file.txt | tr 'a' 'W' | file.txt

cat /etc/passwd | cut -d' ' -f1 | wc -l

cat tennis players.txt | sort

cat tennis_players.txt | sort -r

info ls | tee ls_exp.txt

cat /etc/passwd | cut -d' ' -f3 | uniq | wc -l



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Homework





diff (1)

- compare files line by line

diff (1p)

- compare two files

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/diff-command-linux-examples/#:~:text=diff%20stands%20for%20difference.,ma ke%20the%20two%20files%20identical.

https://www.linuxtechi.com/diff-command-examples-linux/





THANKS!

Any questions?

