- 1. grep -w checks for whole words, not just substrings
- 2. grep -o will only return the matches (not the entire line)
- 3. The character also has to be escaped
- 4. NR = number of total lines; NF = number of fields in the current line
- 5. length(\$1)
- 6. head -n 10 file.txt => prints first 10 lines
- 7. tail -n 10 = prints last 10 lines
- 8. tail --lines=+2 newfile.txt starts from the 2nd line (1-indexed)
- 9. sed -i will actually replace things in the file
- 10. awk -F'[:]' 'BEGIN {sum = 0} \$13 > \$14 {sum += \$13} END {print sum}' last.fake
- 11.\> means end of word
 - a. \$ means end of line
 - b. These 2 can be combined
- 12. we can only access the first 9 arguments; we need "shift n" to get the next ones
- 13. lineCount=`cat file | wc -l`
- 14. wc -m = number of characters
 - a. wc -w = number of words
- 15. cut -c 2-4 file.txt = only displays the characters between 2 and 4 from file.txt
- 16. $x=`expr $x + 1` \Leftrightarrow x++$
- 17. checks if it's even: `expr \$x % 2` -eq 0
- 18. checks if argument is a file / directory (in an IF): "-f \$arg", or "-d \$arg" (don't use "type", like in a for)
 - a. -x is for executables
 - b. man test shows all these types
- 19. chmod u=rwx,g=rx,o=r myfile (permissions for owner, group, others)
- 20. **elif** not else if
- 21. [\$foundFile -gt 0 -a \$foundDirectory -gt 0];
 - a. -a means &&
 - b. -o means ||
- 22. when you want to remove an entire line: sed "/pattern/d" \$file
- 23. be careful when using sed to check for entire words, so "\<word\>" not just "word"
- 24. when you want to grep a string (which is not a file name): echo \$string | grep "pattern"
- 25. you can do: if grep "pattern" then ..

- 26. Use printf syntax in awk: awk '{printf "%s@scs.ubbcluj.ro", \$1}'
- 27. use the command "file" to determine the type of a file
- 28. for the sleep command we need unistd.h
- 29. fgets(string, MAX_STRING_LENGTH, stdin) ⇔ read a line from the keyboard
- 30. srand(time(NULL)) ⇔ reset the random generator
- 31. sed "s/\([0-9]\)/\1\1/g" file.txt ⇔ prints a file with all the digits duplicated (if we also use -i => the file is actually modified)
- 32. grep "[aeiouAEIOU]\$" aux.txt ⇔ prints the lines which end in vowels
- 33. echo \$(dirname `pwd`) ⇔ prints the parent directory
 - a. echo ~ ⇔ prints the root
- 34. if ! [-f \$arg -o -d \$arg]; ⇔ checks if the argument is not a file nor a directory (beware of the negation sign)
- 35. A non-zero return value in shell => false; 0 => true
- 36. A child process is a zombie from the moment it finishes execution until its parent calls wait or waitpid
 - a. Call wait or waitpid for each process you create
- 37. CTRL-C ⇔ SIGINT ⇔ signal no. 2 ⇔ kill -2 pid
 - a. SIGTERM = 15
 - b. SIGKILL = 9
 - c. man 7 signals shows all of them
- 38. signal(SIGINT, f) => whenever SIGINT is received, the function f is called
 - a. This should be called at the beginning of the program
 - This works for all signals but SIGKILL this cannot be stopped or modified
 - c. Needs #include <signal.h>
- 39. Whenever a child process stops, the parent receives a SIGCHLD
 - a. signal(SIGCHLD, SIG IGN) will basically prevent zombie creation
- 40. SIGUSR1 and SIGUSR are "set aside" so that we can use them in any way we want
- 41. Running other programs:
 - a. Searches PATH for the program
 - i. **execvp**("grep", a)
 - 1. char* a[] = {"grep", "/an1/gr911/", "/etc/passwd", NULL}
 - ii. **execlp**("grep", "grep", "/an1/gr911/", "/etc/passwd", NULL)
 - b. Doesn't search PATH for the program
 - i. **execv**("/bin/grep", a);
 - 1. char*a[] = {"/bin/grep", "/an1/gr911/", "/etc/passwd", NULL}

- ii. **execl**("/bin/grep", "/bin/grep", "/an1/gr911/", "/etc/passwd",NULL)
- c. NULL marks the end of the arguments
- d. Path = all the places in which an executable might be located
- 42. First argument (0) of a program is always the command name
- 43. If we close a pipe before calling fork(), the child will inherit a closed pipe
- 44. pipe[0] = read; pipe[1] = write

45. **popen**:

- a. We can call other programs/ scripts from a C program and also get its output or provide some input to it
- b. Basically an exec which doesn't overwrite the current program

46. dup/ dup2

- a. <u>File descriptor table</u>: basically every file in a program will have a handle, which indicates what we can do with it / knows how to operate it;
 - i. e.g. "open" will open a file to reading or writing -> its handle is stored in the fd table on the first available position; its index will be the value of the handle
 - ii. Positions 0, 1, 2 are usually "reserved" for (console) stdin, stdout and stderr
 - iii. A pipe will have 2 of these file descriptors: one for reading and one for writing
- b. int **dup**(int oldFD) copies the fd given as an argument to a new position in the table; so now, when we want to do a certain operation, we can do it from either of the fd's
- c. int **dup2**(int oldFD, int newFD) overwrites the old fd with the new one (so for example we can overwrite position 0 stdin to have the handle for a fifo); it also **closes the old fd before overwriting it**
- d. Exec will not overwrite the file descriptor table, so if we do a dup, then an exec, the new program will use the same fd table
- e. The exec will also close the files that it used (so if we have a pipe, it will close the part that it used, but obviously not both ends)
- f. **Undo** dup calls: before using the fd, make and store a copy of it using dup(), then do whatever you want with dup2(), then set the fd back to its previous value, which was stored in the beginning

47. Shared memory

- a. IPC = interprocess communication
- b. Each(IPC I think?) has an unique ID; they remain in the system and we need to clean them up

48. Threads

- a. They don't copy data from the process (as opposed to fork), and will also need another stack
- b. If a thread fails, all other threads fail
- c. **Race condition**: multiple processes/ threads want to access the same resource (=critical resource) simultaneously
- d. **Semaphore** doesn't allow more than n threads at a time to access a resource (n is set when initializing it)
- e. **Barrier** waits for all n threads to reach it, and only then does it allow (all of) them to go on

49. Monolithic os

a. they are basically one big program

50. Microkernel os

- a. it's like a dispatcher which transfers messages between different components; in this example, if a driver (which is one of the "components") fails, it does not bring the entire system down, like in the monolith's case
- b. The BIOS is kind of like a microkernel OS

51. Process states

- a. **HOLD** a process which is almost ready to enter the system
- READY the process is in the memory and is ready to be served by a processor
- c. RUN the process is running
 - i. This will alternate quickly with

1. WAIT

a. The process waits for a "slow" operation (usually disk operations); while it does that, it's no longer running, so that other processes can run

2. SWAP

- a. The RAM is full, so the OS "dumps" a processes' memory on the disk, temporarily, so that another process can run
- d. **FINISH** the process is done
- 52. **Semaphore** = pair (v(s), c(s))
 - a. v = the value of the semaphore, integer; when it's >= 0 => a new process can be run, otherwise it will be made to wait
 - b. c = a gueue which contains all the processes that are WAITing
 - c. It has 2 operations

- i. P will try to run a process; if it has space (v(s) > 0) => we run it, otherwise it's pushed to the queue and the process is set to WAIT
- ii. **V** will be called when ending a process; if there are processes in the queue (so if v(s) < 0), we will set one of them to READY and pop it out of the queue
- iii. In a way, P ~ lock, V ~ unlock
- 53. Livelock it's not a deadlock, bc things are moving; however, they are not progressing at all
- 54. Segmented memory it defines a section of memory which will have certain permissions/ properties;
- 55. Loading a process
 - a. All at once once it's loaded, it goes really fast; slow start-up time, might waste memory
 - b. Load each page as needed kind of faster start-up, but the execution is slower, no wasted memory
 - c. "Locality principle" usually when we load page x, we will also need pages x+1, x+2 .. (ex. in a for loop)
- 56. **NRU** (not recently used) algorithm for each page we store 2 bits; 1 of them knows whether the page has been referenced recently, the other if the page has been modified recently => 4 classes, where the most important is the one with both bits 1 -> modified but not referenced -> referenced but not modified -> both bits 0
 - a. Could be mixed with FIFO => better results
- 57. **LRU** (least recently used) we have a matrix of size pages * pages; each time a page is used we fill its row with 1 and its column with 0 (in this order); the page with the least 1s on its row is the least used
- 58. When searching for where to allocate new, contiguous memory (malloc)
 - a. First fit search for the first available area in which it fits
 - b. Best fit search for an area s.t. the space left is the smallest possible; but we will be left with very small slices of memory
 - c. Worst fit opposite of best fit
 - d. Buddy-system we split the memory in chunks of size 2^k ; whenever we need to allocate x, we search for the first available power of $2 \ge x$; if that is too large, we then divide what's left into other powers of 2, which will be free
- 59. Caching, from small and fast to the large and slow
 - a. Registers -> L1 -> L2 -> L.. -> RAM -> HDD/ SSD

- b. When we need to search for things/ their positions in cache =>
 - i. Direct caching ~ hashing, so we will have collisions (thrashing)
 - ii. No "hashing" we just place it on the first available position, and when we need it, we search for it
 - iii. Compromise (set-associative caches) we split the cache into larger sets which are accessed directly; but inside them we go linearly, like in the no hashing method
- 60. Symbolic link a new, different name for the same inode
- 61. Hard link a new inode for the same data; can only be created by the root