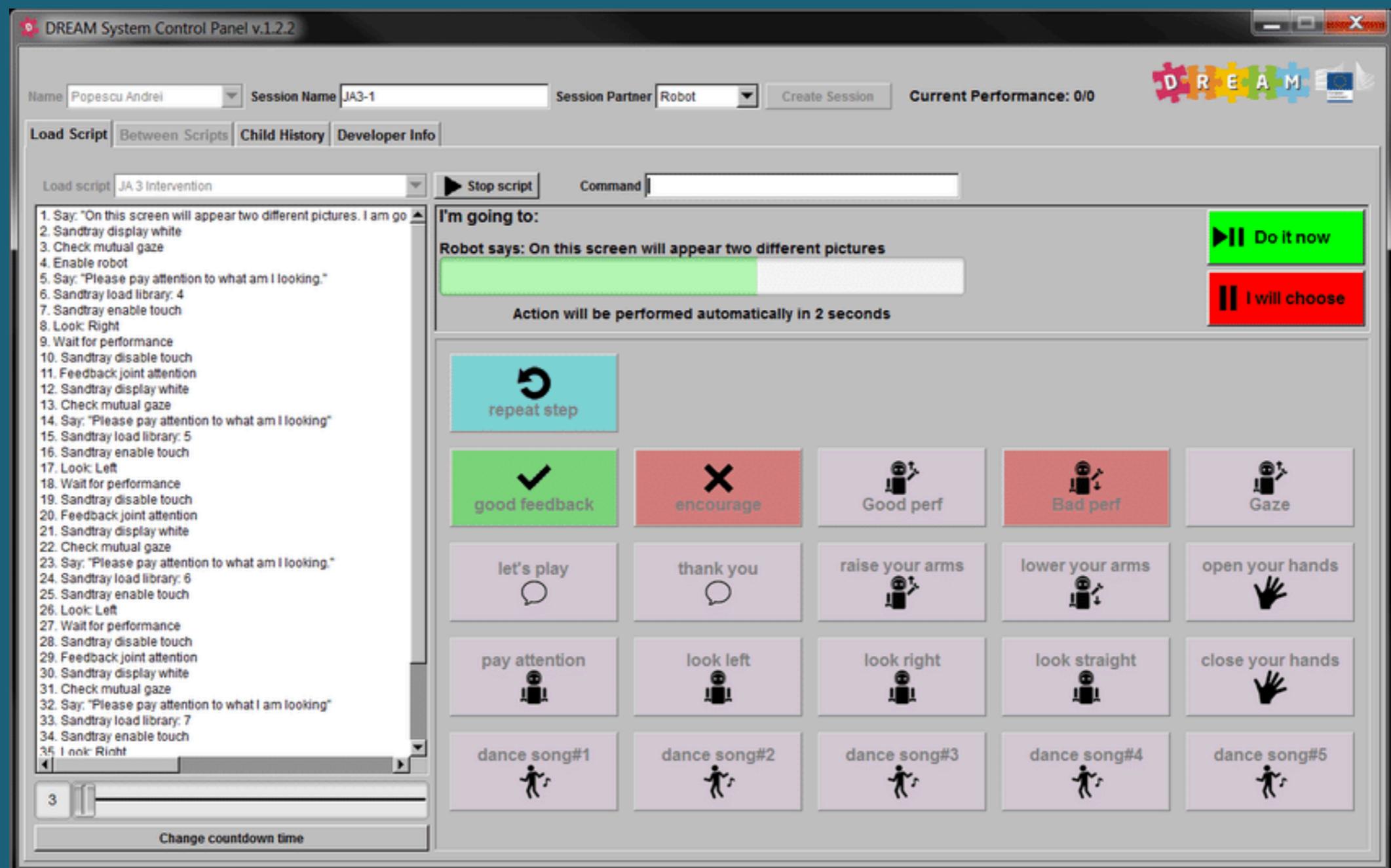


# Unix tips and tricks

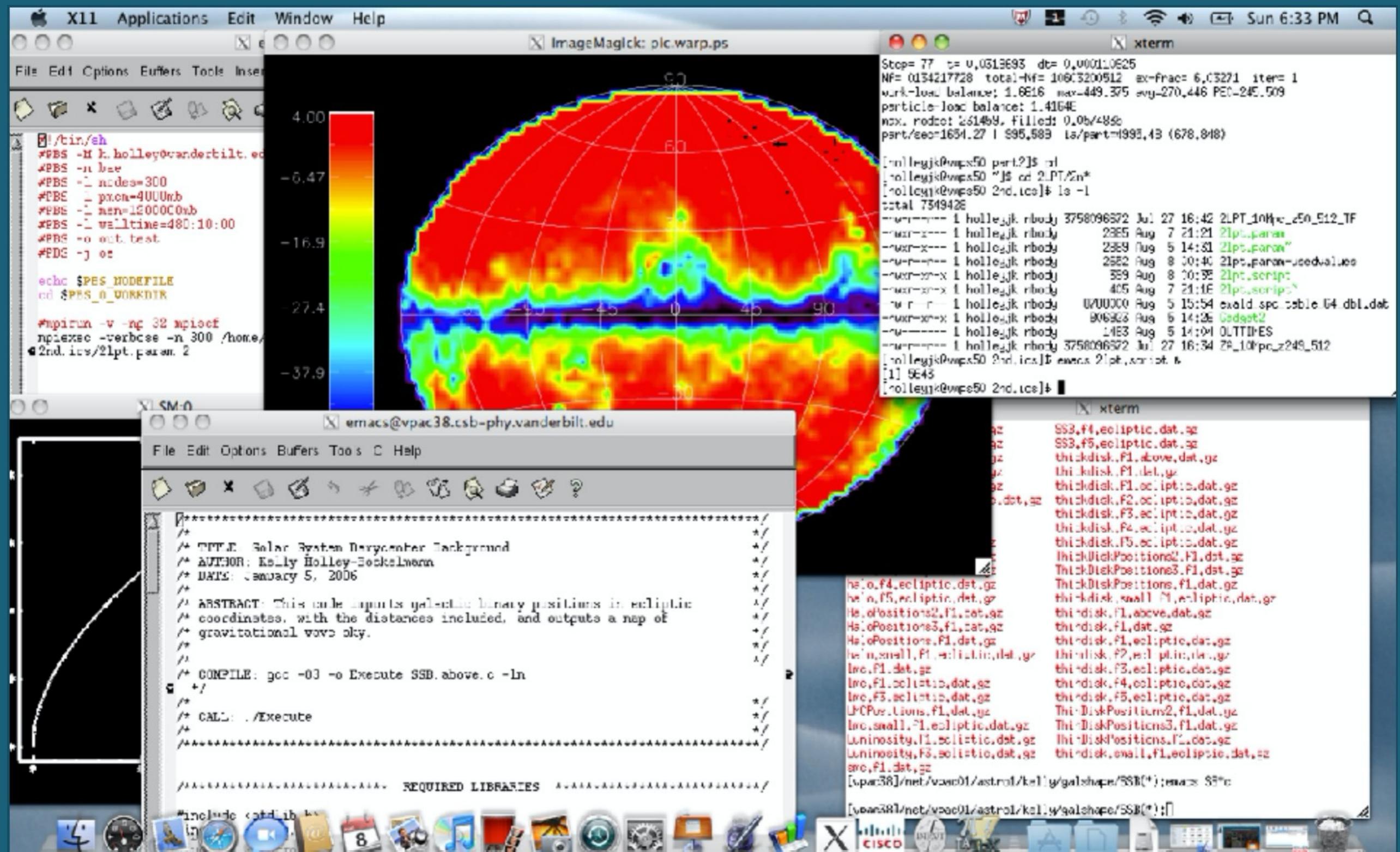


# Most computational science is not done by GUI

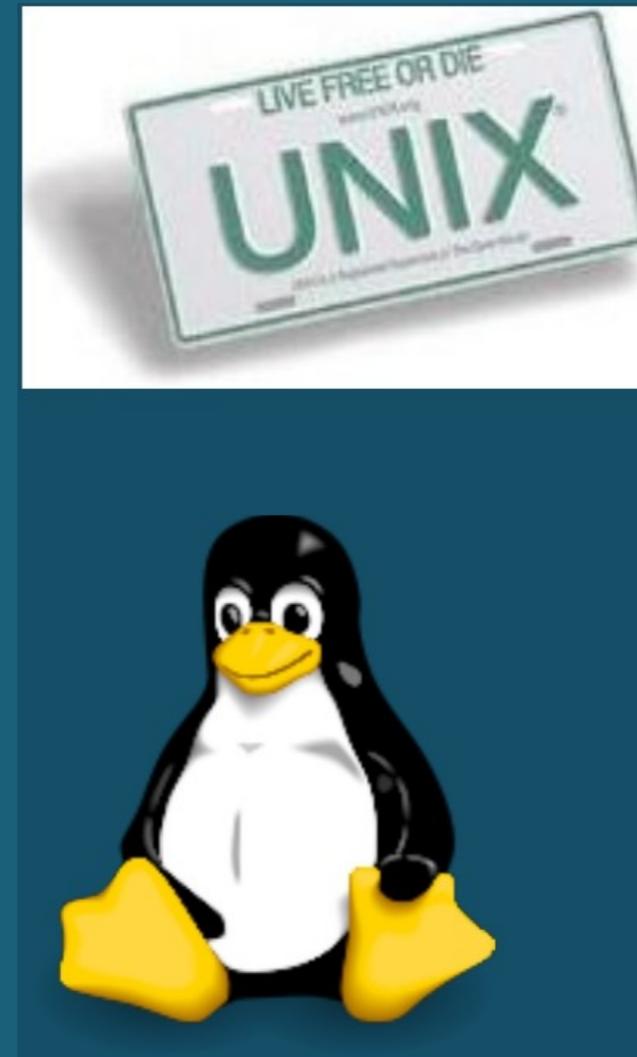
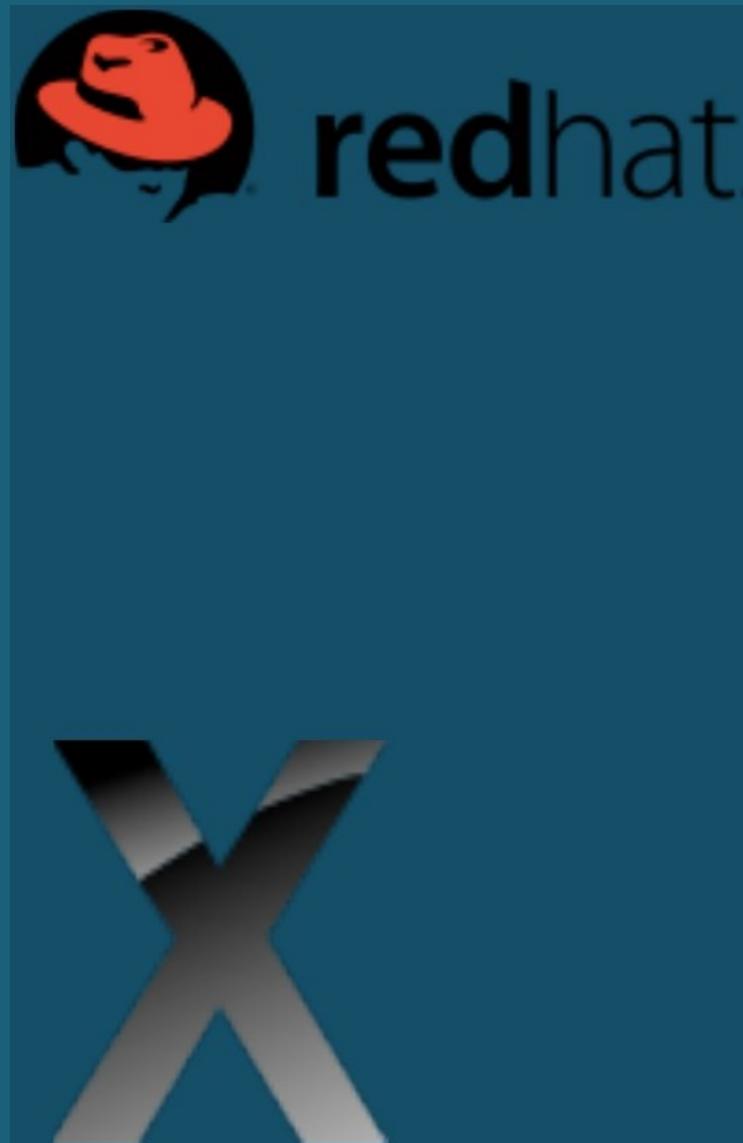


GUI : Graphical User Interface

# A typical science session



# Scientific workstations use a UNIX-based operating system



# Why UNIX?

- Multitasking
- Multiuser
- Access data stored in another computer
- Able to store large data sets

# Bash shell

Program whose primary purpose is to read commands and run other programs.

Pros: high action-to-keystroke ratio,  
automating repetitive tasks, accessing  
network machines

Cons: Cryptic commands

# Bash shell

It all starts with a\$

If the shell can't find a program whose name is the command you typed the error message will read 'command not found'

# Bash shell

What it looks like :

```
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ vi hello.sh
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ 
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ chmod +x hello.sh
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ 
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ ls -l hello.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 vivek vivek 31 Jan 21 15:08 hello.sh
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ 
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ ./hello.sh
Hello World
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ 
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ bash hello.sh
Hello World
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ 
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ sh hello.sh
Hello World
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ cat hello.sh
#!/bin/bash
echo "Hello World"
vivek@nixcraft:/tmp$ █
```

# Bash shell online

<https://tinyurl.com/terminalproject2021>

Or

- Open Terminal on your Mac
- Download shell-lesson-data.zip
  - <https://tinyurl.com/shelldata>
- Save it on your Desktop

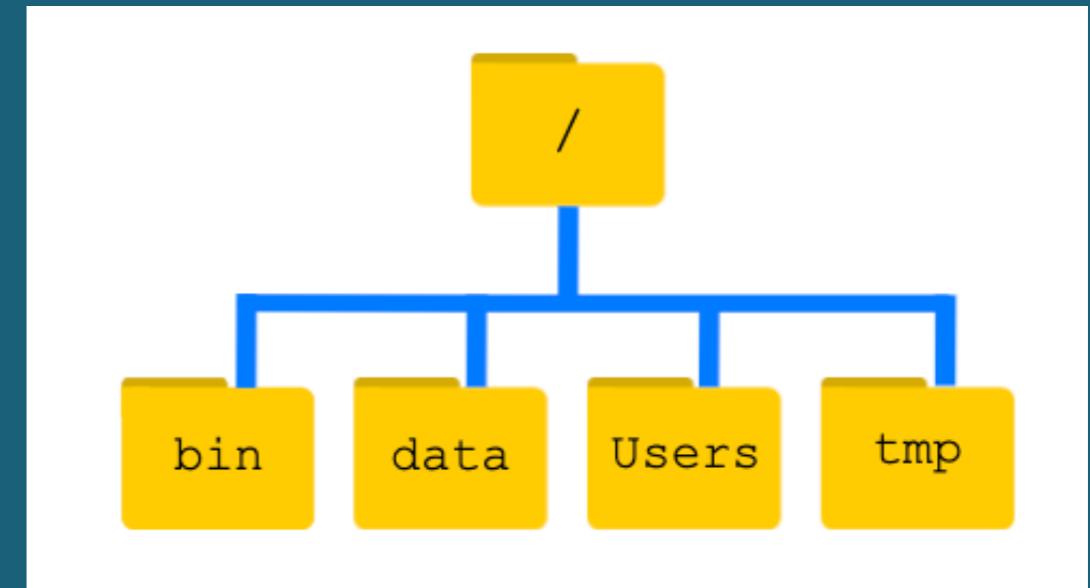
# Bash shell

/ is the root dir

Otherwise it's a path  
separator (opposite of  
Windows)

Absolute (from root) vs  
relative path (from  
current location)

.. & . are special dirs.



# Getting around the directory tree

- `ls` → lists content of directory
- `pwd` → print working directory
- `cd 'blah'` → change directory to ‘blah’
- `mkdir 'blah'` → make directory ‘blah’
- `rmdir 'blah'` → remove directory ‘blah’

*Practice:* What directory are you in?

*Practice:* If on your computer, navigate to your Desktop directory

*Practice:* make a directory called ‘Hello\_World’

*Practice:* Go inside your new directory

\*Hint use tab completion \*

# Feel the power: adding tags to your command can customize it.

**ls** → lists content of directory

**ls -l** long format

**ls -a** list all files

**ls -lhS** long format, file size is ‘human readable’, sorted by file size

**ls -F**

```
total 101M
-rw-r--r-- 1 holleyjk astro 58M May 17 10:30 hdf5-1.8.4-patch1.tar
-rw----- 1 holleyjk astro 6.7M May 17 11:11 king_snap.dat
-rw----- 1 holleyjk astro 6.3M Aug 10 2009 mri.pdf
-rw----- 1 holleyjk astro 3.4M Jul 21 18:24 100719_Yaqiongcareerproposal.doc
-rw----- 1 holleyjk astro 2.6M Jan  1 2010 merger_44_20_2366.png
```

# But how do I know the secret tags for each command?

man command

man intro is a good  
place to start!

```
LS(1) User Commands LS(1)

NAME
    ls - list directory contents

SYNOPSIS
    ls [OPTION]... [FILE]...

DESCRIPTION
    List information about the files (the current directory by default),
    Sort entries alphabetically if none of -rflvSUX nor --sort.

    Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options too.

    -a, --all
        do not ignore entries starting with .

    -A, --almost-all
        do not list implied . and ..

    --author
        with -l, print the author of each file

    -b, --escape
        print octal escapes for nongraphic characters

    -block-size=SIZE
        use SIZE-byte blocks

    -B, --ignore-backups
        do not list implied entries ending with ~

    -c      with -ltt sort by, and show, ctime (time of last modification of
           file status information) with l: show ctime and sort by name
           otherwise: sort by ctime

    -C      list entries by columns
```

# Key Points

- The file system is responsible for managing information on the disk.
- Information is stored in files, which are stored in directories (folders).
- Directories can also store other directories, which then form a directory tree.
- `cd [path]` changes the current working directory.
- `ls [path]` prints a listing of a specific file or directory; `ls` on its own lists the current working directory.
- `pwd` prints the user's current working directory.
- `/` on its own is the root directory of the whole file system.

# Key Points

- Most commands take options (flags) that begin with a -
- A relative path specifies a location starting from the current location.
- An absolute path specifies a location from the root of the file system.
- Directory names in a path are separated with / on Unix, but \ on Windows.
- .. means ‘the directory above the current one’
- . on its own means ‘the current directory’.

# Making and adding files

With Terminal you can write scripts, documents using vim\*

*Practice:* On you bash shell type **vim Hello.txt**

*You should have an empty text document*

- To write using vim.
- Hit **i** on your keyboard (insert)
- Type your string **Hello world**
- Hit **esc** on your keyboard to stop writing
- Hit **:wq** on your keyboard to write and quite the text file
- Repeat the steps and make a empty text file
- Back in bash (\$) see if your text files are there with **ls**

\*Vim is a text editor, people both love it and hate it.

If you have a prefer text editor feel free to use that one.

```
-$ pwd  
/home/user      Current directory  
-$ mkdir 'Hello_World'  Make directory  
-$ ls    List things inside directory. Hello_World is bold because it's a directory  
Hello_World  'Welcome to CoCalc.term'  
-$ cd Hello_World/ Change to the Hello_World directory  
~/Hello_World$ vim hello.txt      Create hello.txt  
~/Hello_World$ vim hello.txt  
~/Hello_World$ cd ..    Go back one directory  
-$ ls  
Hello_World  'Welcome to CoCalc.term'  
-$ █
```

# Manipulating files

- cp file1 file2 → copy ‘file1’ to ‘file2’
- mv file1 file2 → move ‘file1’ to ‘file2’
- rm ‘blah’ → remove file ‘blah’

\*Terminal has no trash bin!

~ means /home/username/

. means the current directory

.. means go back 1 directory

\* means wildcard

# Copy a file

*Practice:* Copy a file

- To copy hello\_world.
  - cp hello\_world.txt hello\_world\_2.txt
  - or
  - cp hello\_world.txt [path/filename]
- Are the files the same?

# Move a file

*Practice:* Move a file

- To move hello\_world up one directory
  - `mv hello_world.txt ..`
  - or
  - `mv hello_world.txt [path/filename]`
- What is the new path for hello\_world.txt?

# Copy a directory

## *Practice: Copy a directory*

- To copy Hello\_world
  - `cp -r Hello_world Hello_world_backup`
- List both directories
  - `ls Hello_world Hello_world_backup`

We can also copy a directory and all its contents by using the recursive option `-r`

# Move a directory

## *Practice: Move a directory*

- Make a directory called Research\_Test inside Hello\_World folder
  - `mkdir ~/shell-lessons-Crisel-1>Hello_world/Research_Test`
  - Inside Hello\_world > `mkdir Research_Test`
- To move Research\_Test to shell-lessons-Crisel-1
  - `mv Research_Test/ ~/shell-lessons-Crisel-1/`

# Remove a file

*Practice: Remove a file/Delete a file (forever)*

- Go to your Hello\_World folder
- Remove hello\_world\_2.txt
- rm hello\_world\_2.txt
- List all files
- Is hello\_world\_2.txt in your directory?
- What happened if you try:
  - rm -i Hello\_world/hello\_world.txt

# Remove a directory

*Practice: Remove a directory and everything inside it*

- Remove your Hello\_World directory safely
  - `rm -ri Hello_World/`
- List the items in your directory and make sure you don't have the Hello\_World folder

# Operations with multiple files and directories

*Practice:* Go to shell-lesson-data-YourName/molecules/

- \* Wildcard matches characters
- List all the files inside the molecules/ directory

*Try it out :* Which command(s) will produce this output?

ethane.pdb methane.pdb

ls \*t\*ane.pdb

ls \*t?ne.\*

ls \*t??ne.pdb

ls ethane.\*

# Key Points

- **cp [old] [new]** copies a file.
- **mkdir [path]** creates a new directory.
- **mv [old] [new]** moves (renames) a file or directory.
- **rm [path]** removes (deletes) a file.
- \* matches zero or more characters in a filename, so \*.txt matches all files ending in .txt.
- ? matches any single character in a filename, so ?.txt matches a.txt but not any.txt.
- The shell does not have a trash bin
- Most files' names are something.extension. The extension is used to indicate the type of data in the file.

# Pipes and Filters

*Practice:* Go to shell-lesson-data-YourName/molecules/

- Word Count (**wc**)
- \$ wc cubane.pdb
  - 20 156 1158 cubane.pdb
  - Number of lines, words, and characters in files
- *Practice:*
  - wc \*.pdb
  - wc -l \*.pdb
- Save output
  - wc -l \*.pdb > lengths.txt

# Pipes and Filters

*Check:* Did you saved lengths.txt ?

- Peek inside lengths.txt with:
  - **cat** -‘concatenate’ i.e. join together, and it prints the contents of files one after another.
  - **head** – displays only the first 10 lines of the file
  - **less** - screenful of the file, and then stops. You can go forward one screenful by pressing the spacebar, or back one by pressing b.  
Press q to quit.

# Pipes and Filters

*Check:* Sort

- Sort lengths.txt with:

- \$ sort -n lengths.txt > sorted-lengths.txt

- \$ head -n 1 sorted-lengths.txt

# Pipes and Filters

*Check:* echo prints statement

- \$ echo The echo command prints text
  - The echo command prints text

*Check:* > vs >>

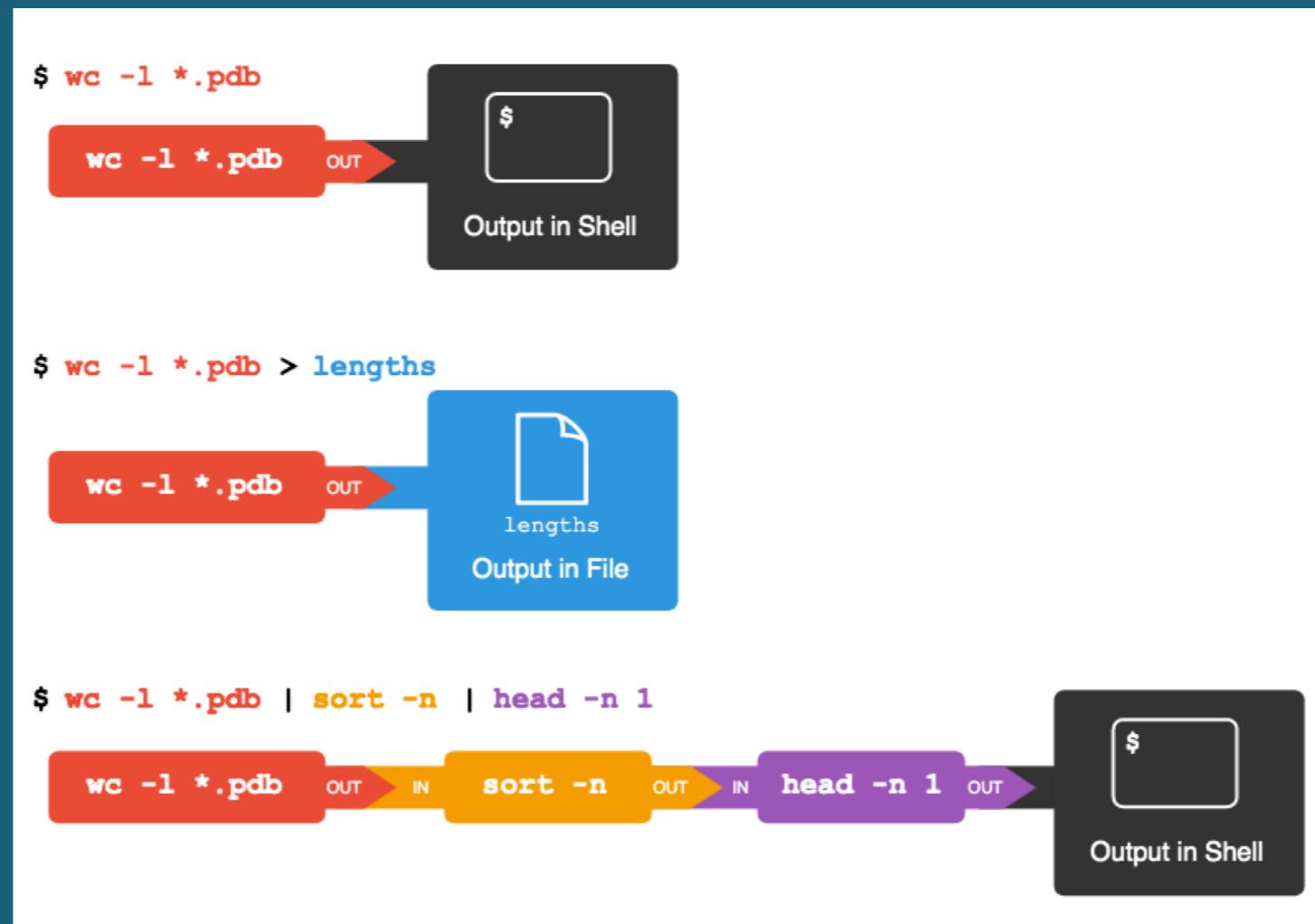
- \$ echo hello > testfile01.txt
- \$ echo hello >> testfile02.txt
- > ‘hello’ is written to testfile01.txt, but the file gets overwritten each time we run the command.

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# Pipes and Filters

*Check:* More commands in one line | (pipe)

- \$ sort -n lengths.txt | head -n 1
- \$ wc -l \*.pdb | sort -n
- \$ wc -l \*.pdb | sort -n | head -n 1



# Key Points

- `wc` counts lines, words, and characters in its inputs.
- `cat` displays the contents of its inputs.
- `sort` sorts its inputs.
- `head` displays the first 10 lines of its input.
- `tail` displays the last 10 lines of its input.
- `command > [file]` redirects a command's output to a file (overwriting any existing content).

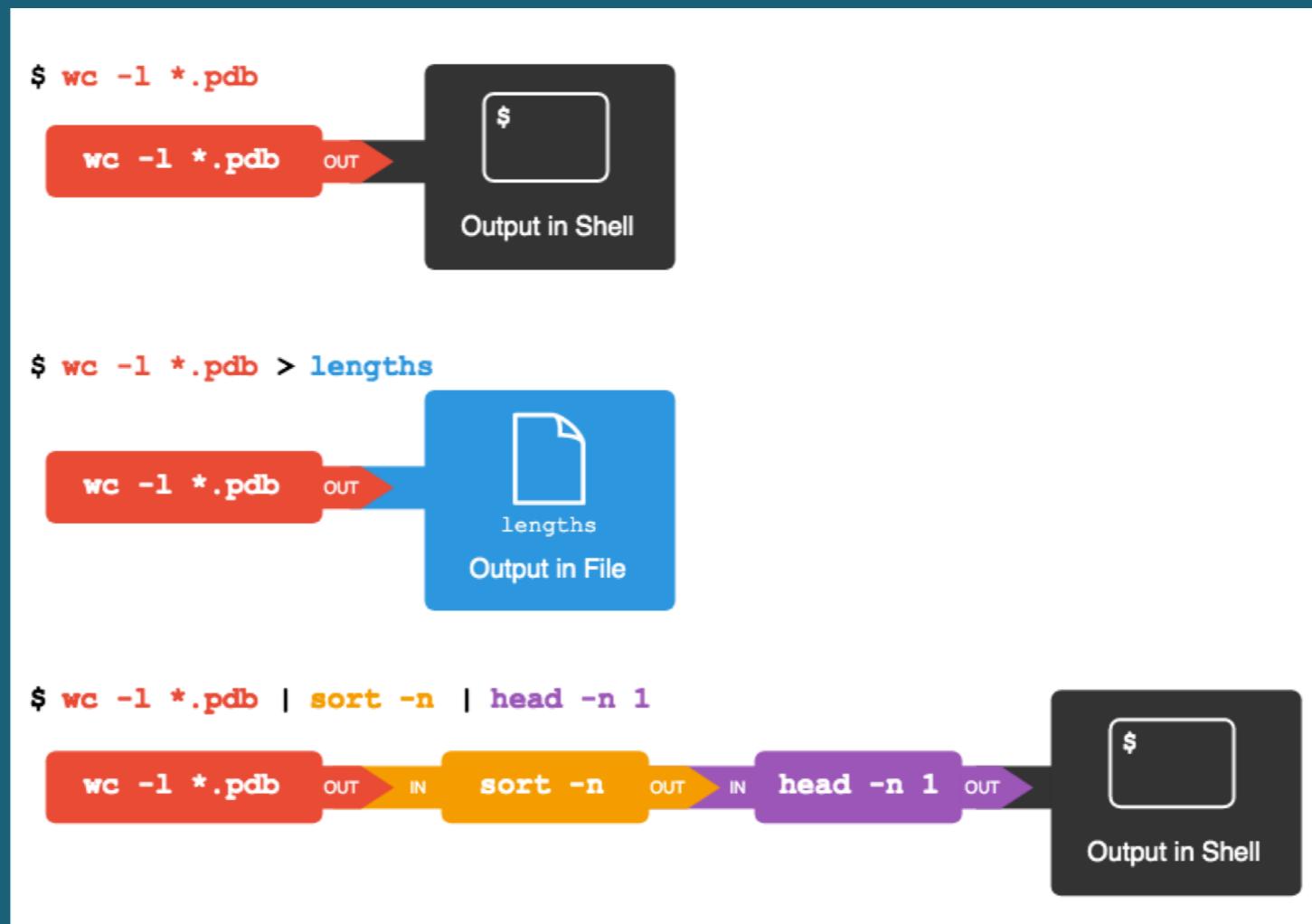
# Key Points

- command >> [file] appends a command's output to a file.
- [first] | [second] is a pipeline: the output of the first command is used as the input to the second.
- The best way to use the shell is to use pipes to combine simple single-purpose programs (filters).

# Loops

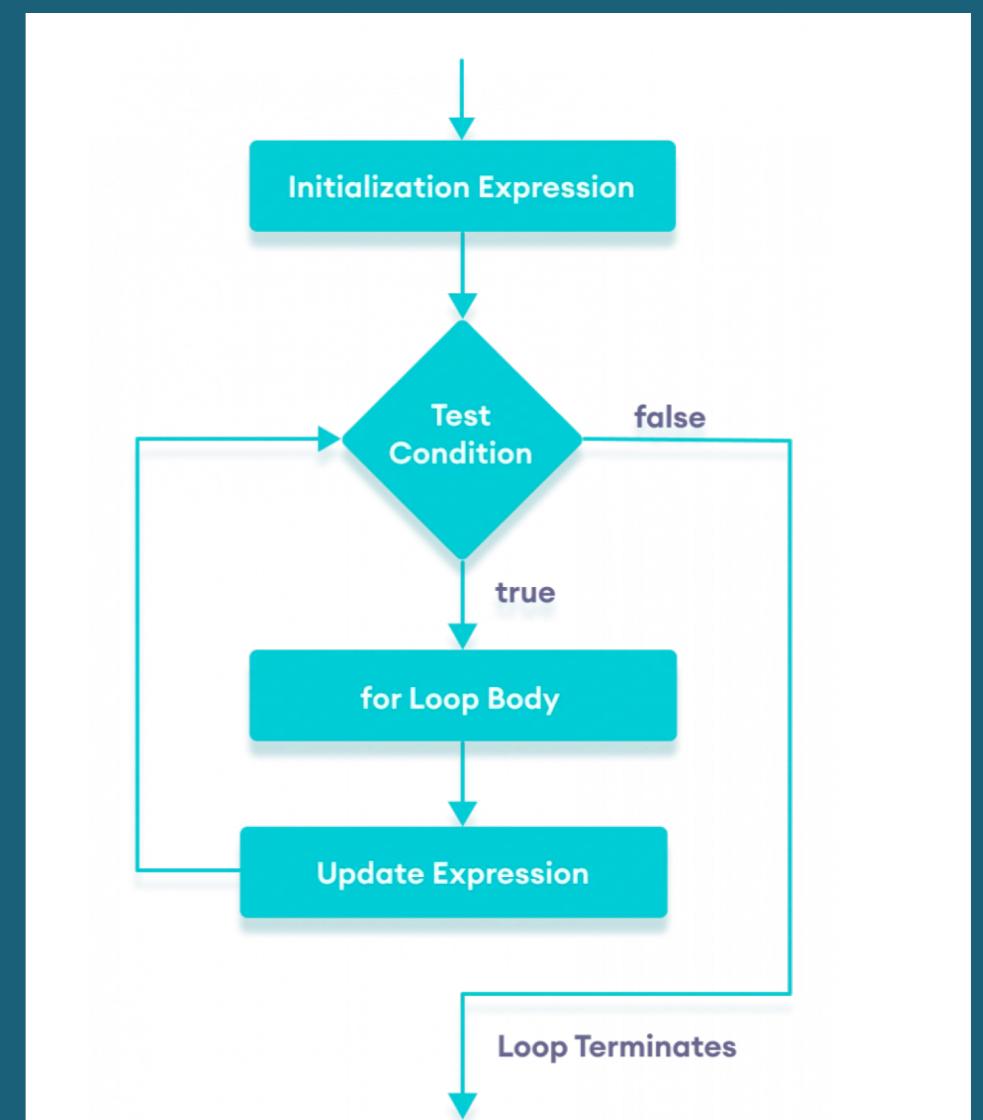
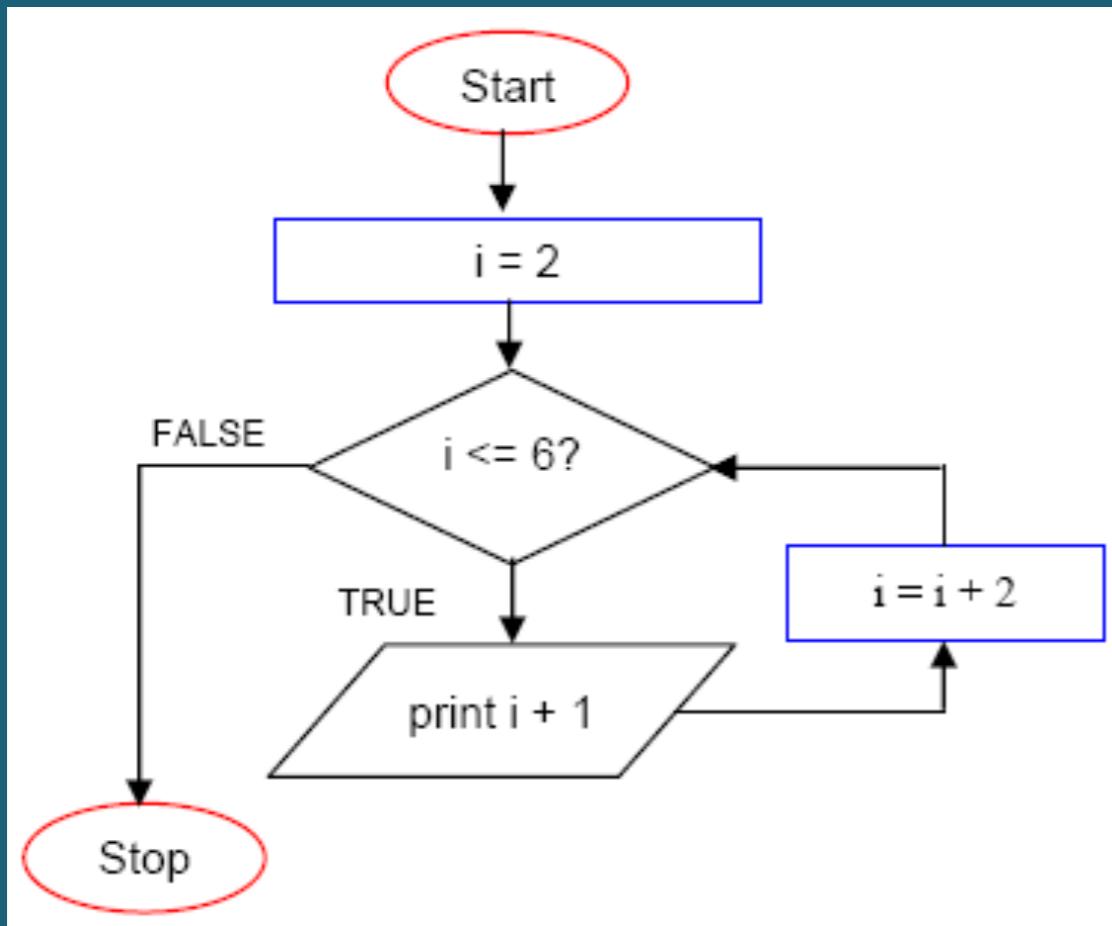
*Check:* More commands in one line | (pipe)

- \$ sort -n lengths.txt | head -n 1
- \$ wc -l \*.pdb | sort -n
- \$ wc -l \*.pdb | sort -n | head -n 1



# Loops

**Loops** are a programming construct which allow us to repeat a command or set of commands for each item in a list. As such they are key to productivity improvements through automation



We will cover this also with Python

# Loops

```
$for thing in list_of_things  
do  
    operation_using $thing  
done
```

*Practice:* Go to [shell-lesson-data-YourName/creatures/](#)

```
$ for name in basilisk.dat minotaur.dat unicorn.dat  
➤ do  
    ➤ head -n 2 $name | tail -n 1  
➤ > done
```

COMMON NAME: basilisk  
COMMON NAME: minotaur  
COMMON NAME: unicorn

# Loops

```
$for thing in list_of_things  
do  
    operation_using $thing  
done
```

*Practice:* Go to `shell-lesson-data-YourName/creatures/`

```
$ for filename in *.dat  
➤ do  
    ➤ cp $filename original-$filename  
➤ done
```

# Key Points

- A for loop repeats commands once for every thing in a list.
- Every for loop needs a variable to refer to the thing it is currently operating on.
- Use \$name to expand a variable (i.e., get its value).
- Do not use spaces, quotes, or wildcard characters such as '\*' or '?' in filenames, as it complicates variable expansion.
- Give files consistent names that are easy to match with wildcard patterns to make it easy to select them for looping.

# Bash scripts

How can I save and re-use commands?

*Practice:* Go to [shell-lesson-data-YourName/molecules/](#)

With Terminal you can write scripts, documents using vim\*

*Practice:* Type `vim middle.sh`

*You should have an empty text document*

- To write using vim.
- Hit **i** on your keyboard (insert)
- Type your code `head -n 15 octane.pdb | tail -n 5`
- Hit **esc** on your keyboard to stop writing
- Hit `:wq` on your keyboard to write and quite the text file
- Back in bash (\$) `bash middle.sh`

# Bash scripts

How can I save and re-use commands?

*Practice:* Type more general script  
*vim middle.sh*

- To write using vim.
- Hit **i** on your keyboard (insert)
- Type your code **head -n 15 "\$1" | tail -n 5**
  - Previously (**head -n 15 octane.pdb | tail -n 5**)
- Hit **esc** on your keyboard to stop writing
- Hit **:wq** on your keyboard to write and quite the text file
- Back in bash - \$ **bash middle.sh octane.pdb**
- Back in bash - \$ **bash middle.sh pentane.pdb**

# Bash scripts

How can I save and re-use commands?

*Practice:* Type more general script  
*vim script.sh*

- To write using vim.
- Hit **i** on your keyboard (insert)
- Type your code
  - `head -n $2 $1`
  - `tail -n $3 $1`
- Hit **esc** on your keyboard to stop writing
- Hit **:wq** on your keyboard to write and quite the text file
- Back in bash - \$ **bash script.sh ‘\*.pdb’ 1 1**

# Key Points

- Save commands in files (usually called shell scripts) for re-use.
- `bash [filename]` runs the commands saved in a file.
- `$1, $2, etc.`, refer to the first command-line argument, the second command-line argument, etc.

# Finding files and things inside files

*Practice:* Go to [shell-lesson-data-YourName/writing/](#)

- Look inside haiku.txt
- Which lines have contain 'not' ?
- grep (find)
- \$ grep not haiku.txt
  - Is not the true Tao, until
  - "My Thesis" not found
  - Today it is not working

# Finding files and things inside files

*Practice:* Go to [shell-lesson-data-YourName/writing/](#)

- \$ grep The haiku.txt
- \$ grep -w The haiku.txt
- \$ grep -w "is not" haiku.txt
- \$ grep -i => case insensitive
- \$ grep -n => number lines
- \$ grep -v => invert search
- \$ grep -r => recursive search
- \$ grep -- help (no space)

# Finding files and things inside files

*Practice:* Lets search recursively through the whole directory  
shell-lesson-data-YourName/writing/

- \$ grep -r Yesterday .
  - data/LittleWomen.txt:"Yesterday, when Aunt was asleep and I was trying to be as still as a
  - data/LittleWomen.txt:Yesterday at dinner, when an Austrian officer stared at us and then
  - data/LittleWomen.txt:Yesterday was a quiet day spent in teaching, sewing, and writing in my
  - haiku.txt:Yesterday it worked

# Finding files and things inside files

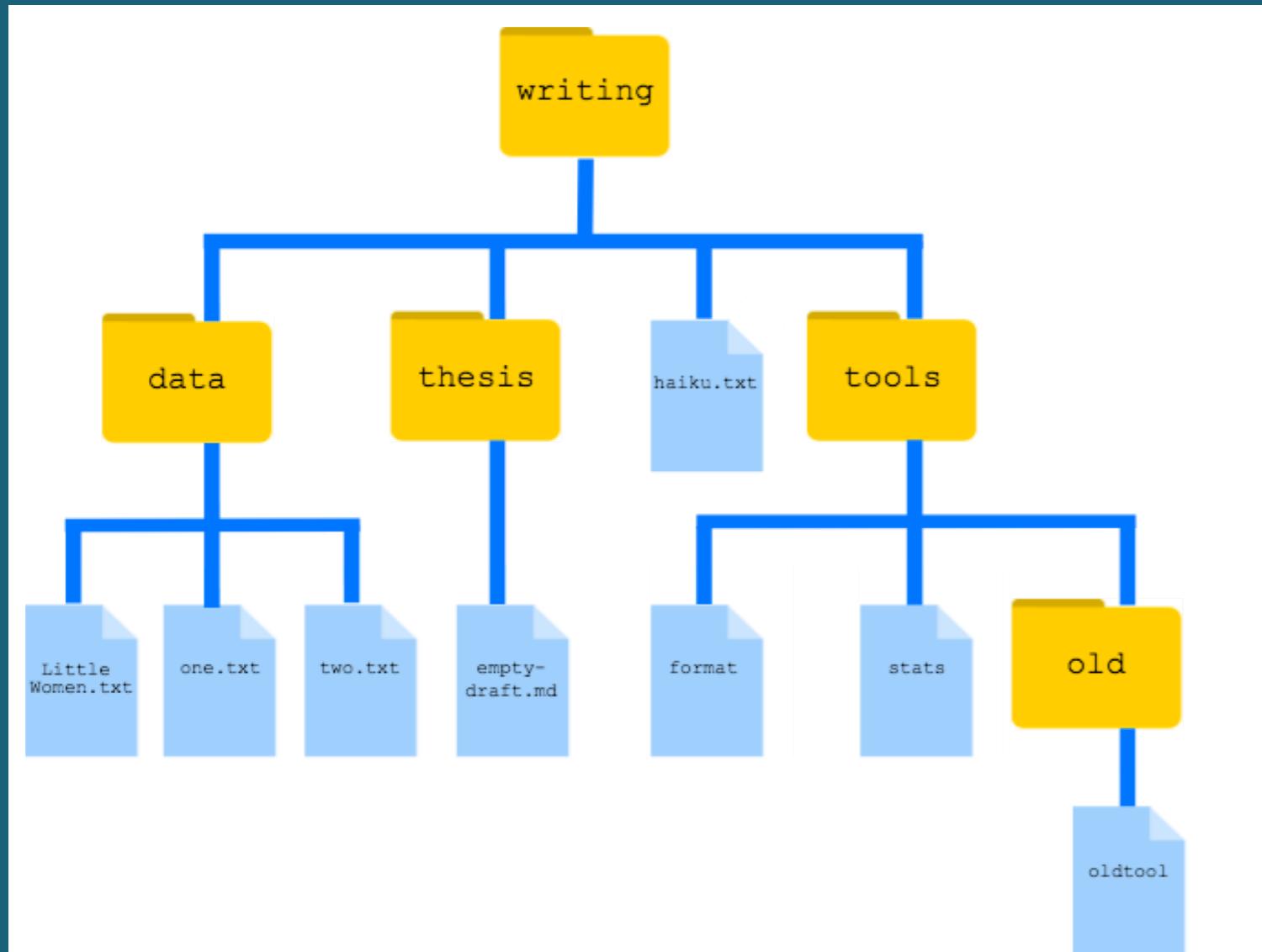
*Practice:* Go to [shell-lesson-data-YourName/writing/](#)

- \$ grep -E “^o” haiku.txt
- We use the **-E** option and put the pattern in quotes to prevent the shell from trying to interpret it.
- The **^** in the pattern anchors the match to the start of the line.
- The **.** matches a single character
- o matches an actual ‘o’.



# Finding files and things inside files

*Practice:* Go to [shell-lesson-data-YourName/writing/](#)



\$ find .

\$ find . -type d

\$ find . -type f

\$ find . -name “\*.txt”



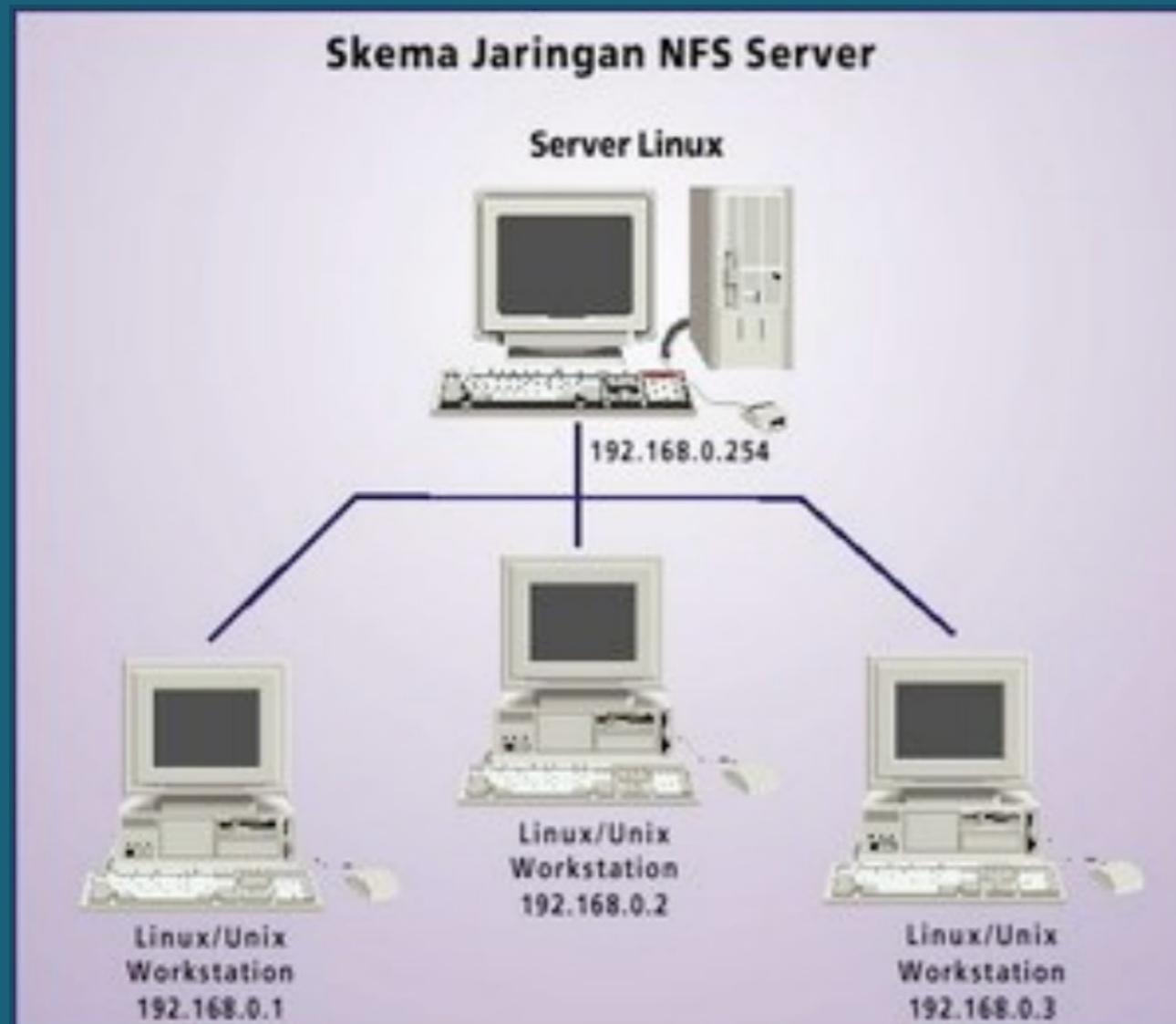


# Some more commands

- rm -rf for directories (careful!)
- Maybe make rm interactive using rm -i in  
~/.aliases
- history
- Unpack files from arXiv : tar -xvf <filename>

Translate this:

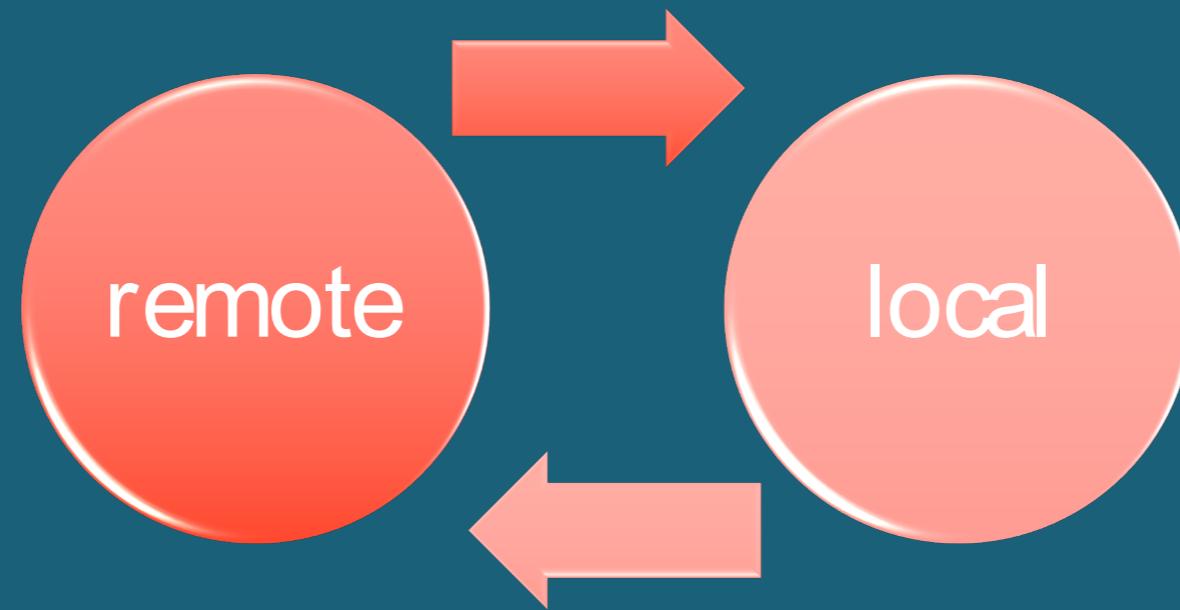
- cp ~/\*.sm ../.  
• mv ../**density.sm** ~/**bootcamp/dense.s**
- rm \*



When you ssh into the vpac/accre network, you go to your home directory. Your directory can be accessed through any of these network machines. And, you can (theoretically) access data on other user's accounts, too.

# scp

## secure copy protocol



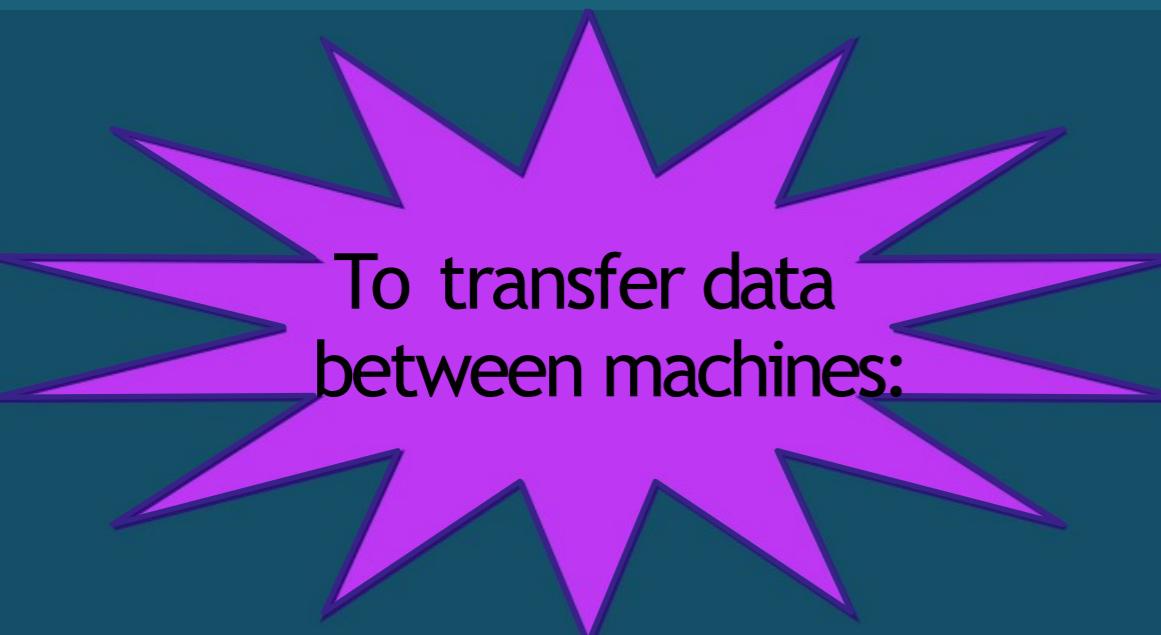
~ stands for home dir (make sure you're in the right place!)

Use \* wildcard to grab multiple files that meet some condition



To log into  
another machine:

ssh -YC username@computer's whole address  
example: ssh -YC [holleyjk@vpac03.phy.vanderbilt.edu](mailto:holleyjk@vpac03.phy.vanderbilt.edu)



To transfer data  
between machines:

scp -pr complete path of file you  
want to move complete path  
describing where you want to put it

example 1: scp -pr [holleyjk@vpac03.phy.vanderbilt.edu](mailto:holleyjk@vpac03.phy.vanderbilt.edu):/home/holleyjk/superfile  
/Users/kelly/Desktop/superfile.moo

example 2: scp -pr /Users/kelly/awesomefile  
[holleyjk@vmlogin.accre.vanderbilt.edu](mailto:holleyjk@vmlogin.accre.vanderbilt.edu):/home/holleyjk/.

# Your data is protected by file permissions

Aside: How did I get this list?

user  
permissions  
r=Read  
w=Write  
x=eXecute

xterm

-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	28672	Oct 14	2009	sesaps 09	program.xls
drwxr-xr-x	3	holleyjk	astro	4096	May 17	10:42	share	
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	14176	Jul 6	16:42	sig.khb.jpeg	
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	13717	Jul 6	16:46	sig.khb.pdf	
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	21470	Jun 10	14:56	sinha_69.pdf	
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	230880	May 28	15:08	SMD-10-1678_Holley-Bokelmann	.pdf
drwx-----	4	holleyjk	astro	4096	May 13	2009	smooth.2.01	
-rw-ruxrwx	1	holleyjk	astro	407473	Jan 25	2010	starcounts.dat.gz	
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	407478	Jan 23	2010	starcounts.orig.dat.gz	
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	79428	Jun 15	13:30	stassun_career_report_2009.P	df
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	8	Jun 1	14:16	TAR.proposal.aux	
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	7436	Jun 1	14:16	TAR.proposal.dvi	
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	3674	Jun 1	14:16	TAR.proposal.log	
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-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	72587	Jun 1	14:16	TAR.proposal.ps	
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drwx-----	6	holleyjk	astro	4096	Sep 21	2007	tibs2107	
drwx-----	5	holleyjk	astro	4096	Feb 2	2009	tipsy-2.2.3c	
drwx-----	2	holleyjk	astro	4096	Mar 27	2008	TRS	
drwx-----	3	holleyjk	astro	4096	Mar 5	2008	web	
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	33280	Jul 21	18:23	YaqiongSummary.doc	
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drwx-----	3	holleyjk astro	4096 Mar 5 2008 web
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-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	21470	Jun 10	14:56 sinha_69.pdf
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	230880	May 28	15:08 SMD-10-1678_Holley-Bokelmann.pdf
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-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	8	Jun 1	14:16 TAR.proposal.aux
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	7436	Jun 1	14:16 TAR.proposal.dvi
-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	3674	Jun 1	14:16 TAR.proposal.log
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-rw-r--r--	1	holleyjk	astro	72587	Jun 1	14:16 TAR.proposal.ps
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	6086	Jun 1	14:16 TAR.proposal.tex
drwx-----	6	holleyjk	astro	4096	Sep 21	2007 tibs2107
drwx-----	5	holleyjk	astro	4096	Feb 2	2009 tipsy-2.2.3c
drwx-----	2	holleyjk	astro	4096	Mar 27	2008 TRS
drwx-----	3	holleyjk	astro	4096	Mar 5	2008 web
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	33280	Jul 21	18:23 YaqiongSummary.doc
drwxr-xr-x	15	holleyjk	astro	4096	May 17	16:48 yt
-rw-----	1	holleyjk	astro	798679	Jun 14	11:03 Zampieri,2009,MNRAS,400,677.pdf
drwxr-xr-x	12	holleyjk	astro	4096	May 17	10:42 zlib-1.2.5

# To change permissions:

`chmod ugo+/-rwx filename`

Example: `chmod go+r pro*.dat`

Advanced: `chgrp -R <group> <directory>`

changes the group ownership of a directory (R=recursively).

Have to be admin or be member of both groups

## Taking a peek at a file:

- `head -n50 file` → displays first 50 lines of file
- `tail -n12 file` → displays last 12 lines of file
- `more file` → scrolls through file page by page  
Enter to scroll line by line or Spacebar to scroll "page by page"
- `less file` → a better version of more

*Practice: figure out what is the last line in  
~/alias.holleyjk*

Is the file compressed?

`gunzip file`

Looking for a file? Try

`find . -iname file`

What jobs are running in your shell?  
...on your machine?

`htop`

Need to kill a job?

`kill -9 PID`

Need to count lines in a file?

`wc -l file`

Smoosh files into 1

`cat file1 file2 > smooshfile`

Split file into many of N bytes

`split -b N file`

# String commands together with pipes :

try these:

```
ls -l /home/holleyjk |less
```

```
ps aux |grep username
```

the possibilities are huge!

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```
ls -halS |head -n11 |tail -n10
```

last - tells you the people who logged in, arranged chronologically

w - shows you who are logged in currently

date - gives you the current date (time-stamp)

du - shows you the disk usage of given directory (and sub-dirs)

sort - sorts data file/piped output based on specified column

diff - finds differences between two files

> - redirects result to a file

>> - appends data to a file

history - returns history of commands executed in terminal

ping - attempts to open a line of communication with a network host

wget - download a file from the Internet

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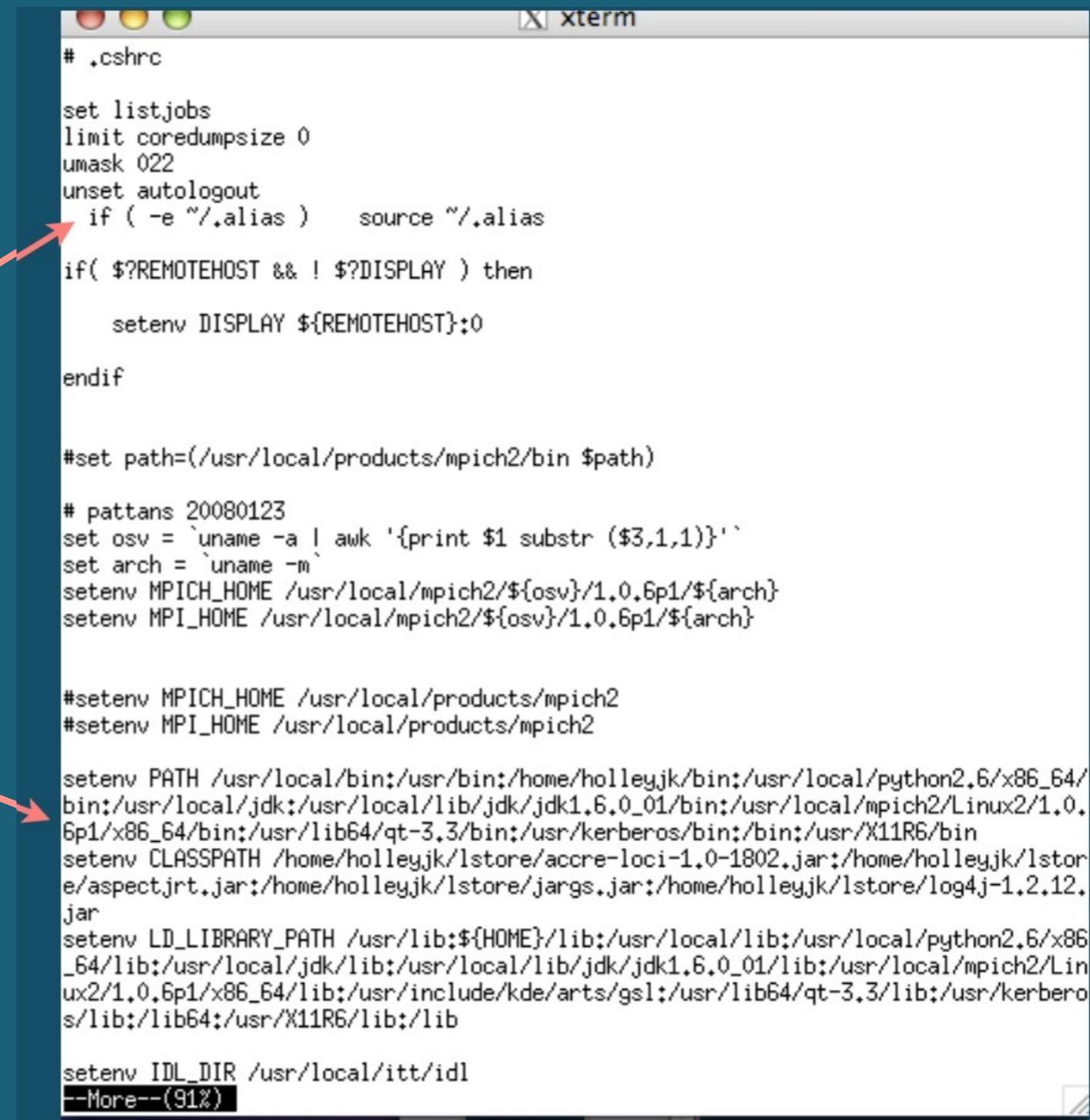
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# Setting your shell (how you interface with your operating system)

do a less on  
`cshrc.holleyjk`

execute an alias file that  
nicknames unix commands

tells your system where to look  
for external commands, like  
graphics programs



The screenshot shows an xterm window with the title bar "xterm". The window displays the contents of a file named ".cshrc". The code in the file includes several shell commands for setting environment variables and aliases. Red arrows point from the explanatory text on the left to specific parts of the code in the xterm window.

```
# .cshrc
#
#set listjobs
limit coredumpsize 0
umask 022
unset autologout
if ( -e ~/.alias )    source ~/.alias
if( $?REMOTEHOST && ! $?DISPLAY ) then
    setenv DISPLAY ${REMOTEHOST}:0
endif

#set path=(/usr/local/products/mpich2/bin $path)
#
# pattans 20080123
set osv = `uname -a | awk '{print $1 substr ($3,1,1)}'`
set arch = `uname -m`
setenv MPICH_HOME /usr/local/mpich2/${osv}/1.0.6p1/${arch}
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setenv PATH /usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/home/holleyjk/bin:/usr/local/python2.6/x86_64/
bin:/usr/local/jdk:/usr/local/lib/jdk/jdk1.6.0_01/bin:/usr/local/mpich2/Linux2/1.0.
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ux2/1.0.6p1/x86_64/lib:/usr/include/kde/arts/gsl:/usr/lib64/qt-3.3/lib:/usr/kerbero
s/lib:/lib64:/usr/X11R6/lib:/lib
setenv IDL_DIR /usr/local/itt/idl
--More--(91%)
```

## Setting your shell (how you interface with your operating system)

Open a web browser to [github.com/djsissom](https://github.com/djsissom)

Go to bootcamp repository

Click "Clone or Download" button, and choose "Download Zip"

Scp the zip file to your vpac home directory

Unzip the file on your laptop (Mac) and on VPAC

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What does `echo \$SHELL` return?

Mv bashrc to ~/.bashrc (if it doesn't exist yet...)

Less .bashrc to read it

source .bashrc

will run the file and install your commands

# To change your .bashrc , you need a text editor

## emacs <filename> &

- Ctl-v -- page up
  - Esc-v -- page down
  - Ctl-n -- next line
  - Ctl-p -- previous line
  - Esc-< -- top of file
  - Esc -> -- bottom of file
  - Esc-Esc-Esc -- get out of hotkey
  - Ctl-X-S -- save file
  - Ctl-X-C -- quit
  - Ctl-k -- kill a line
  - Ctl-y -- paste line
  - Esc -% -- query replace
  - Ctl-x ( -- start macro
  - Ctl-x ) -- end macro
- Example: Ctl-x( Ctl-n Ctl-n Ctl-x
- Ctl-x e -- execute macro
  - Esc-num -- do num times
  - Ctl-/ -- undo

*Practice: Open a new file called ‘motivation’ and write ‘I love emacs with my whole heart!’  $2^{16}$  times. Then, replace ‘heart’ with ‘mind’ on every other line.*

## Editing text files with Vim

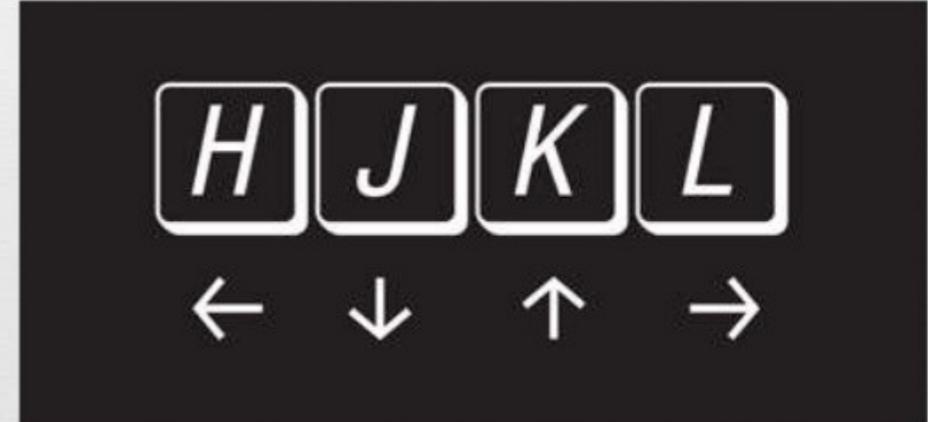
Set up vim files (dark terminal recommended)

\$ vim .bashrc

More slides at [https://www.slideshare.net/  
brandongliu/introduction-to-vim](https://www.slideshare.net/brandongliu/introduction-to-vim)

/ - to search and n/N to  
navigate search results

### Surviving in Vim



- ☞ **i** – Gets you into insertion mode
- ☞ **<ESC>** – Always gets you back to normal mode
- ☞ **:wq<Enter>** – Saves and quits Vim

# Vim walkthrough

<https://www.openvim.com/>

# Remember the cheat sheet

<http://cheatsheetworld.com/progammimg/unix-linux-cheat-sheet/>

For homework:

Add your own nicknames for unix commands -- most useful aliases win a prize!

Add aliases to make rm, mv, and cp safer (check the man pages for the interactive option for each)

Practice with your text editor of choice

## Unix Challenge!

- Find a file with cereal in its name
  - (hint: it's in a vpac directory involving /home/holleyjk...)
- copy it to your home directory, add your name to the filename, and change permissions so that you can read and write to it, but group/other can only read it
- write the name of your favorite cereal in the file
- copy it to Kelly's bootcamp/2017 directory and tell me when you've done it. First one wins a prize!!