The essential linux commands
terminal (macos) or powershell (windows10)

cd #change directory

cd /usr/local/bin #change to /usr/local/bin

cd .. #moves up one directory

cd - #moves to the previous directory

cd ~ #moves to the home folder

cd ./direc/ #moves to a subdirectory called direc

cd ../direct/ #moves to an upper-level directory called direct

ls #lists files in the directory

ls /usr/local/bin #lists all files in /usr/local/bin

ls –lh /usr/local/bin #lists all of the files with the file size printed

ls *.jpg #* is a wildcard, so this call lists all files with .jpg extension

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mkdir #make directory

mkdir ~/fun-stuff #makes a folder in the home directory called fun-”stuff”

rmdir #remove directory ---should be done very cautiously

rmdir ~/fun-stuff #removes fun-stuff

pwd #print working directory (tells you where you currently are)

cp #copy file—syntax# cp file newfile ##there is a space separating file and newfile

cp ~/test.txt test2.txt #copies test.txt into a file called test2.txt in the same directory

cp ~/test.txt ./direc/test2.txt # copies to a file (test2.txt) in a subdirectory (direc)

cp –r ~/direc2/ ./direc/2 #r is a recursive flag and must be used to copy/move directories

mv #move or rename file—syntax is the same as cp

mv ~/test.txt ~/test2.txt #renames test.txt to test2.txt in the same directory

mv ~/test.txt ~/direc/test.txt #moves test.txt to the direc folder

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OKAY this is a useful but dangerous command. It can ruin the whole operating system if not used cautiously. Never use this unless you are absolutely sure about the file you are removing. You cannot recover the files once they are gone.

rm #removes file

rm –rf #removes directory (the same as rmdir)

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echo #move data (text) into a file or a new file

echo Quigley Down Under >> ~/new.txt #writes to new.txt

echo is a great movie >>~/new.txt #writes a new line to the file

cat # read contents of file

cat ~/new.txt

ssh # opens a secure shell –fancy way of saying connects to an outside server

##you will be prompted for a password

ssh ethaler@eclogite.geo.umass.edu #connect to eclogite

scp # secure copy –move files between a remote and local or two remote machines

scp ~/new.txt ethaler@eclogite.geo.umass.edu:~/ #moves new.txt to the home directory on eclogite

scp –r ~/direc/ ethaler@eclogite.geo.umass.edu:~/ #r is the recursive flag and must be used to copy a directory

scp –r ethaler@eclogite.geo.umass.edu:~/big-things/ ~/bad-thing/ #moves a folder from the server to the local machine

Text editors

Once inside a linux shell (via ssh to eclogite), we have multiple options for text editors.

Two most common are:

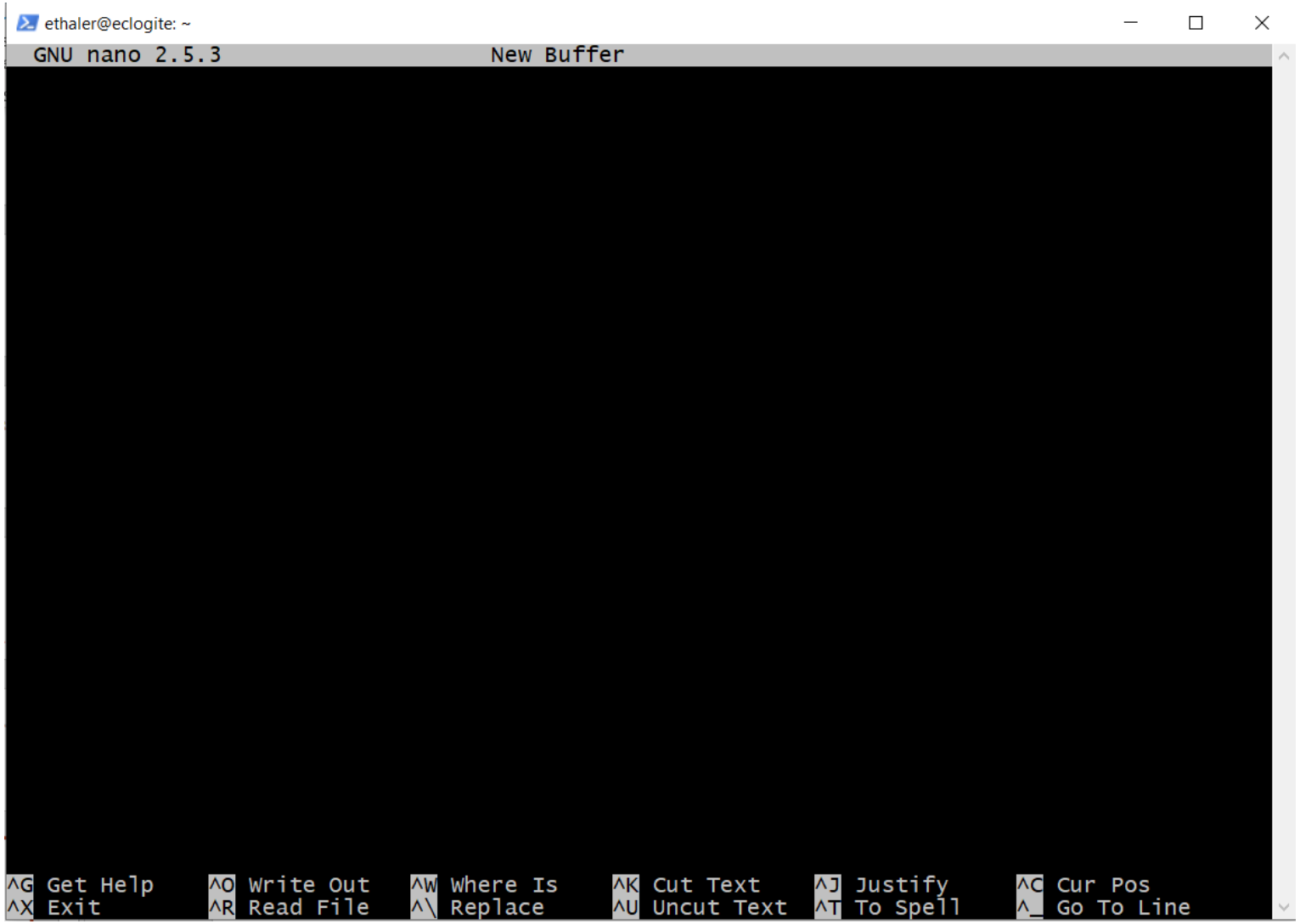
nano

emacs

You can enter either editor by typing their name and pressing enter.

nano is more user-friendly, so let’s use it for now.

nano



The menu at the bottom of the screen will help you navigate.

^ means the ctrl key

^o is save (write out)

^x exits nano

Public keys

- Public keys allow you to connect to remote servers or transfer files to remote servers without having to type your password all the time.

```
#On local machine type:
ssh-keygen

#use default directory
#use no passcode

#copy keygen file to ssh directory on remote server (eclogite.geo.umass.edu in
this case)
scp .ssh/id_rsa.pub user@eclogite.geo.umass.edu:~/.ssh

#Login to remote server
ssh user@eclogite.geo.umass.edu
#Type:
cat .ssh/id_rsa.pub >> .ssh/authorized_keys

##On local machine ssh to remote server
ssh user@eclogite.geo.umass.edu
##You shouldn't be prompted for a password
```

Hostnames

- Hostnames are aliases that you give to certain servers or ip addresses. To save time and mental memory, we can supply hostnames for elogite, geomorph4, and geomorph5. Below is an example for setting a hostname for eclogite

```
#on local machine
nano ~/.ssh/config

Host eclo #alias_to_use_for_ip is whatever you want it to be
HostName eclogite.geo.umass.edu
User ethaler #whatever your username is for the server

#exit nano
ssh eclo #should now connect you to eclogite
```

Hostnames

- Here's an example for setting geomorph 4.
- Note: we will login to eclogite first and then set the hostname

```
#login to eclogite
ssh eclo
#on eclogite
nano ~/.ssh/config

Host geomorph4 #alias_to_use_for_ip is whatever you want it to be
HostName 172.30.20.24
#I don't set a username for geomorph 4 or 5 because I login as different users

#exit nano
#try to login to the cosmo user where the LSDtopotools are
ssh cosmo@geomorph4
#password is cosmotools
```

Hostnames

- Here’s an example for setting geomorph 5.
- Note: we will login to eclogite first and then set the hostname

```
#login to eclogite
ssh eclo
#on eclogite
nano ~/.ssh/config

Host geomorph5 #alias_to_use_for_ip is whatever you want it to be
HostName 172.30.23.204

#I don’t set a username for geomorph 4 or 5 because I login as different users
#exit nano
```