



Unix structure, history, and properties. Shell and command-line parsing.

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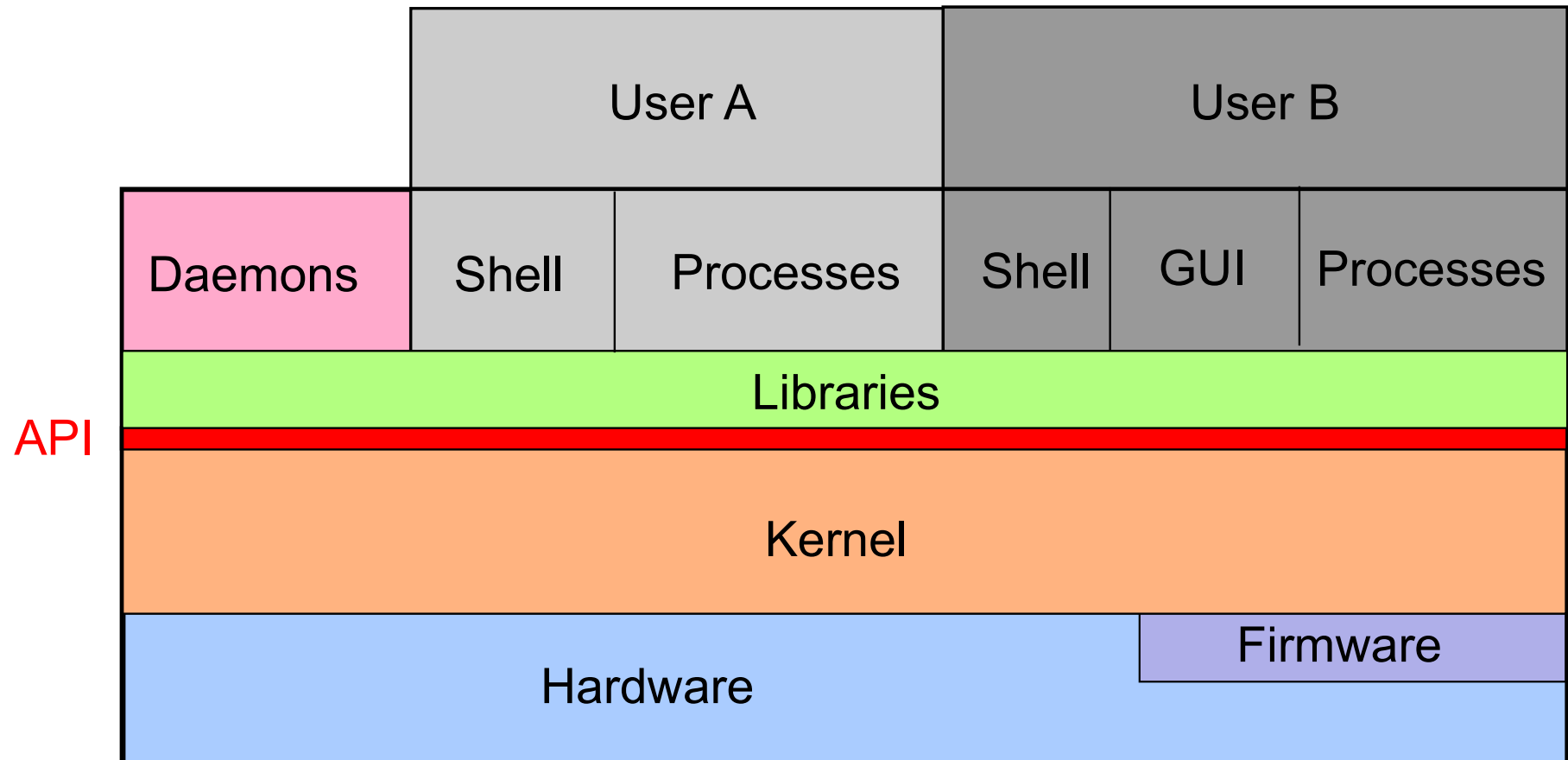
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Unix - structure





UNIX - properties

- **Portable**
 - 90% of kernel is written in C.
- **Multi-user**
- **Multitasking, time-sharing**
- **Multithreading**
- **Symmetric Multi Processing (SMP)**
- **CLI**
- **IO redirection**
- **Hierarchical FS**
- **TCP/IP networking, NFS,...**
- **GUI**
 - X-Windows
 - Window managers - CDE, GNOME, KDE,...



Shell – command interpreter

- Interface between user and kernel.
- **Environment setting**
 - Shell variables can define application behavior.
- **CLI**
 - Command-line parsing (e.g. find and replace special symbols)
 - Command execution.
- **Shell scripts**
 - Shell executes commands from file (scripts).
 - Script = Unix commands + control structures (e.g. loops, if/else...)



Bourne shells

Name	File	Properties
Bourne shell	/bin/sh	basic
Korn shell	/bin/ksh	command history, job control, aliases,...
Bourne again shell	/bin/bash	like ksh but more user friendly

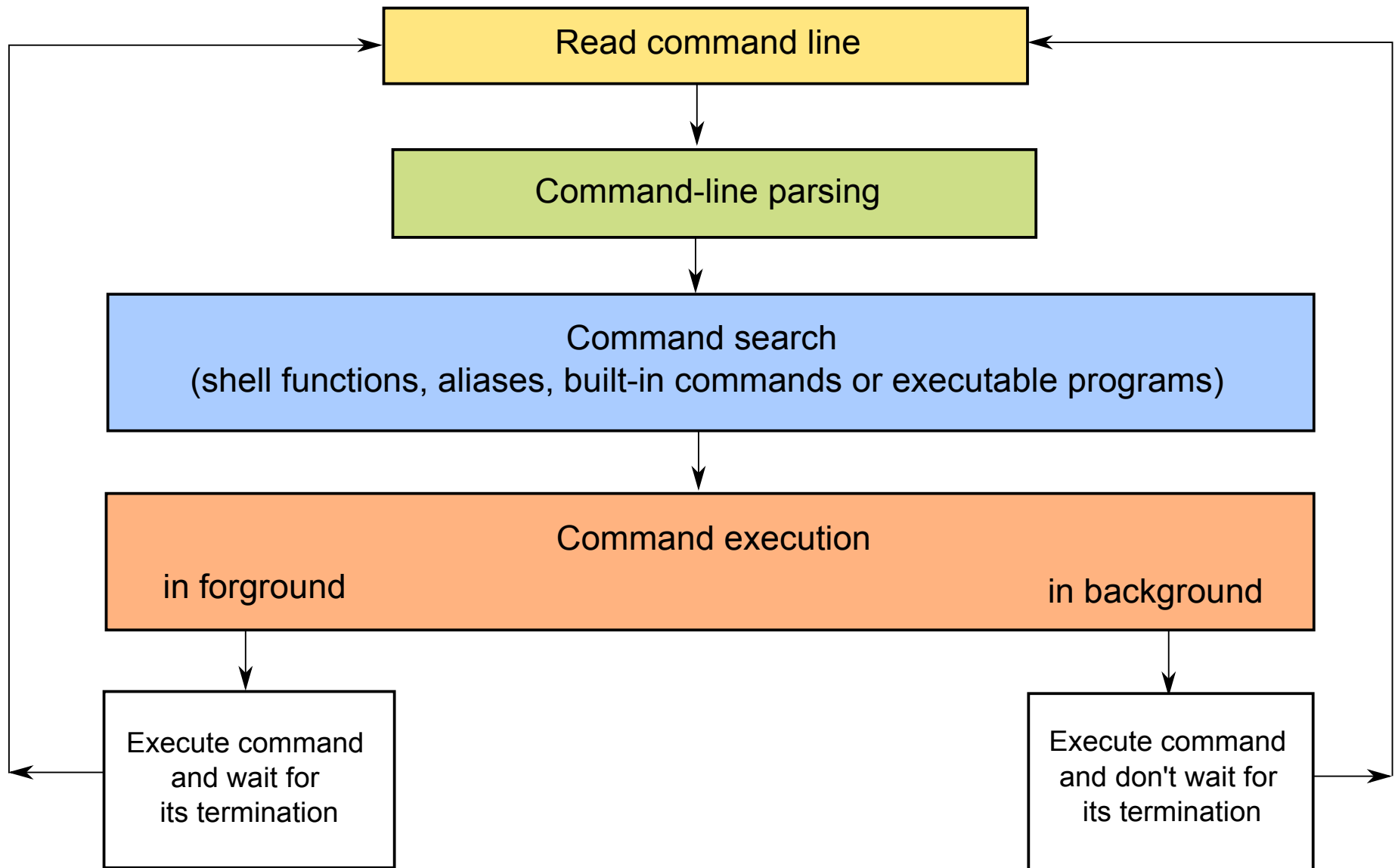


Name	File	Properties
C shell	/bin /csh	like ksh
Toronto C shell	/bin/tcsh	like csh, but more user friendly

- More information about shell we can find in Unix manual (e.g. **man bash**).
- In this modules we concentrate to Bourne shells.



Command-line parsing





Command line syntax

- **Variables**

`<prompt> <variable_name>=<value>`

`<prompt>`

- Prompt is printed by shell.
- Value of prompt is defined by the shell variable PS1.

`<variable_name>`

- Variable name is identifier.
- No spaces around symbol `=`.
- Shell assigns the value to the variable.

`<value>`

- By default it is string.



Command line syntax

- **Simple commands**

`<prompt> <command_name> <options> <arguments>`

`<command_name>`

- It defines which program will be executed (which).
- It can be only name or path to the file (relative/absolute).

`<options>`

- They can modify the behavior of command (how).

`<arguments>`

- They specify the input data (what).
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- Command name, options and arguments are available
 - in script by variables `$# , $0 , $1 , $2 , ...`
 - in C program by variables `argc , argv[0] , argv[1] , ...`



Examples

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ls
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ls /etc
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ls -la /etc
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```
B=`ypcat passwd | cut -d: -f1`
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echo $B
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echo "$B"
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export LC_TIME=cs_CZ ; /usr/bin/echo "Today is \c" ; date '+%A %d.%m.%Y'
```

```
ypcat passwd | grep "student" | grep -v "docasne konto" | \  
    sort -t':' -k3,3n | tail -1 | cut -d: -f 5 | cut -d' ' -f1,2
```

Is it clear??? Too simple???





Little bit more complicated?

```
echo PID FD EXEC FILENAME; PID=$(pgrep ''); pfiles $PID | awk
'BEGIN { fd=-1; } /^[0-9]/ { if (fd>=0) { print pid, fd,
exec; fd=-1; }; pid=substr($1,0,length($1)-1);
exec=$2; } /^ *[0-9]*: / { if (fd>=0) { print pid, fd,
exec; fd=-1; }; if ($2=="S_IFREG")
{ fd=substr($1,0,length($1)-1); } } /^ *\/// { fd=-1; }' |
while read pid fd exec; do echo $pid $fd $exec $(echo
0t$pid ::pid2proc \|| ::fd $fd \|| ::print file_t
f_vnode \|| ::vnode2path | mdb -k 2>/dev/null); done
```