Unix-like Operating Systems

Command line interface.

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Discussion of homework

- Read info about Secure Shell (ssh) and Public-key cryptography
- Set SSH login without password
 - Create private and public keys.

```
ssh-keygen
```

Oppy the public key to remote-host under user with the login name USER.

```
ssh-copy-id -i ~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub USER@fray1.fit.cvut.cz
```

③ Verify the login to remote-host without entering the password.

```
ssh USER@fray1.fit.cvut.cz
```

• Will the following command work now? Why yes or no?

```
ssh USER@fray2.fit.cvut.cz
```

Discussion of homework

• Use only one command date to print the current date and the current time on the standard output (terminal) in the following format:

```
Today is Thursday, 05.10.2017 (week 40). The time is 14:13:57 [CEST].
```

Hint

- man date
- export LC_ALL=C
- Solution
 - In Linux, see man date.
 - In Solaris, see man date and man -s 3C strftime.
 - In MacOS, see man date and man -S 3 strftime.

```
export LC_ALL=C
```

```
date "+Today is %A, %d.%m.%Y (week %V)%n\ The time is %H:%M:%S [%Z]."
```

Command-line parsing order

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Command-line parsing order – quoting

- What is quoting and which characters represent quoting?
 - Quoting is used to remove the special meaning of certain characters or words to the shell.
- How do you print the following information on the standard output (terminal)? Try to find more correct solutions.

Solutions

```
echo Value of variable \$HOME:\
echo "Value of variable \$HOME:
                                   $HOME"
echo Value of variable '$HOME:
                                  '"$HOME"
printf "Value of variable \$HOME
                                   %s\n" "$HOME"
```

Command-line parsing order – quoting

How do you print the following information on the standard output?
 Try to find more correct solutions.

```
\begin{array}{ll} \texttt{Output}_{\sqcup} \texttt{of}_{\sqcup} \texttt{command}_{\sqcup} \texttt{pwd} : {}_{\sqcup \sqcup \sqcup \sqcup \sqcup \sqcup} / \, \texttt{etc} \\ \texttt{Value}_{\sqcup} \texttt{of}_{\sqcup} \texttt{variable}_{\sqcup} \$ \texttt{PWD} : {}_{\sqcup \sqcup \sqcup \sqcup \sqcup} / \, \texttt{etc} \end{array}
```

Solutions

```
echo -e \
"Output of command pwd: $(pwd)\n\
Value of variable \$PWD: $PWD"
```

- Use "type echo" to get info what "echo is.
- Use "man bash" (not "man echo") or "help echo" to get help for command echo.
- Use command printf instead of command echo.

```
printf \
"Output of command pwd: %s\n\
Value of variable \$PWD: %s\n" \
"$(pwd)" "$PWD"
```

Command-line parsing order – comments

- What character represents a comment in the shell?
 - The character # indicates that the remainder of the line is a comment when found as the first character of a word.

```
echo "$HOME"  # echo prints path to your home

echo "# it isn't comment"  # it is comment

echo where is# my comment\?
```

Command-line parsing order – lists, pipelines

- Which characters can separate commands in the shell and what is their meaning?
 - ; sequential execution,
 - & parallel execution,
 - | pipeline.
- Run the following commands sequentially (one by one):
 sleep 10, date, hostname.

```
date; sleep 10; hostname
```

Run the following commands in parallel: sleep 10, date, hostname.

```
date & sleep 10 & hostname &
```

Run a web browser in background.

```
firefox &
```

Print the output of command "ls -lR /" by command less.

```
ls -lR / | less
```



- What special characters do you know?
 - ~, ' ', \$, \$(), \$(()), { , }.
- Tilde expansion ~
 - Print the path to your home directory on standard output.

echo ~

 Print the path to the home directory of the user muzikar on standard output.

echo ~muzikar

- Command substitution ' or \$() (newer syntax)
 - Save the kernel name and the kernel release to the shell variable OS.
 Hint: use command uname.

```
OS="'uname -sr'"
OS="$(uname -sr)" # Better syntax
```

- Can we omit the double quotes in the previous example?
- Save the number of processes running on the system to the shell variable LOAD. Hint: use pipe of command ps, tail, and wc.

```
LOAD="$(ps -e \mid tail -n +2 \mid wc -1)" # Linux LOAD="$(ps -e \mid tail +2 \mid wc -1)" # Solaris
```

• Can we omit the double quotes in the previous example?



- Parameter (Variable) expansion \$
 - Print the contents of the variables OS and LOAD from the previous slide on the standard output by one command and one variable per one line.

```
echo -e "OS=$OS\nLOAD=$LOAD"

printf "OS=%s\nLOAD=%s\n" "$OS" "$LOAD"
```

- Can we omit the double quotes in the previous example?
- Use the command mkdir to create a subdirectory bin in your home directory.

```
mkdir "$HOME/bin"
```

• Add path to this directory to the shell variable PATH.

```
export PATH="$PATH:$HOME/bin"
```

• Can we omit the double quotes in the previous example?

- Arithmetic expansion \$(())
 - Create a command that 5 hours after execution writes a message "Hello word" on standard output. Hint: use command sleep and arithmetic expansion for timeout.

```
sleep ((5*60*60)); echo "Hello word"
```

- ullet Brace expansion $\{\ ,\ \}$
 - Brace expansion is a mechanism by which arbitrary strings may be generated.
 - Create (set modify time to) the following files by command touch: f1, f1.txt, f1.c, f2, f2.txt, f2.c, f3, f3.txt, f3.c

```
touch f{1,2,3}{,.txt,.c}
```

- Print all integer numbers from 1 to 100 on the standard output.
 - See "man bash" and search for a string "brace expansion".

```
echo \{1..100\}
```



Command-line parsing order – word splitting

- The shell treats each character of shell variable IFS (Internal Field Separator) as a delimiter, and splits the results of the other expansions into words on these characters.
- The default value of IFS is space, tab, newline.
- Try the following commands and explain their different bahavior.

```
echo $(ls -1)
echo "$(ls -1)"
```

Command-line parsing order – pathname expansion

• Which characters represent pathname expansion and what is their meaning?

```
• *, ?, [ ], [! ], [^ ]
```

• Explain the behavior of the following commands?

```
cd /usr/bin
ls *q
ls q*
ls *q*
ls */*
ls ?
ls ??
```

Command-line parsing order – pathname expansion

• Explain the behaviour of the following commands?

Command-line parsing order -I/O redirection

- Which characters represent I/O redirection and what is their meaning?
 <, >, >>, <<END
- Explain the following commands?

```
wc -1 /etc/group
wc -1 < /etc/group
ls -l > f1 ; cat f1
date > f1; cat f1
date >> f1 ; cat f1
cat <<END >f1
Current date: $(date) in directory $PWD.
Login name: $USER
END
```

Command-line parsing order – command execution

- If the command name contains no slashes (only name, no path).
 How can the shell locate it?
 - If the name is neither a shell function nor a builtin, and contains no slashes, the shell searches each element of the PATH for a directory containing an executable file by that name.
 - The key TAB works like command completion in bash.
- The following commands can be used to see how each command name would be interpreted by the shell.

```
type ls
type -p ls
/usr/ucb/whereis ls
/usr/bin/which ls
echo $PATH
```

Homework

• Try the following commands and explain their behaviour.

```
echo PWD is $PWD

echo PWD\ is\ \ $PWD

echo "PWD is $PWD"

echo "\$PWD is $PWD"

echo '\$PWD is $PWD'
```

Homework

• Try the following commands and explain their behaviour.

```
cmd = who
echo cmd
echo $cmd
echo "$cmd"
echo '$cmd'
echo $($cmd)
$cmd
```

• How can we protect output format of the command who?