

# Unix and Bioinformatics Version 2

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## **Abstract**

This protocol details the use of various unix commands commonly used in bioinformatics.

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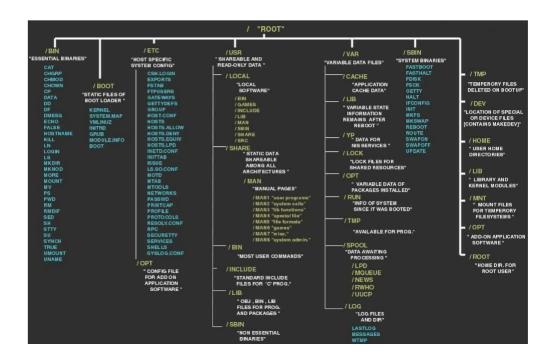
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## **Guidelines**

## **Unix Commands**

```
grep
                             install
pwd
      rm
                   tail
      '>'
ls
           sed
                   cut
cd
      cat nano
                   top
mkdir '<'
           history screen
touch '|'
           $PATH ssh
      sort less
                   df
ср
mν
      uniq head
                   rsync/scp
```

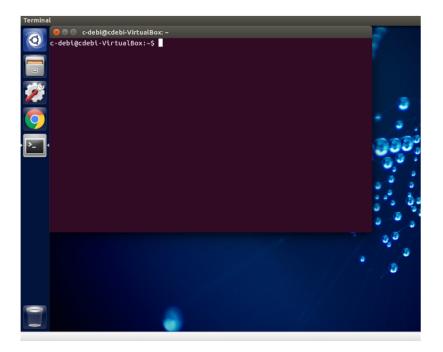


## **Protocol**

## The Start

## Step 1.

Open terminal window



## The Start

## Step 2.

Use Is to list items in the current directory.

```
cmd COMMAND
```

ls

lists items in the current directory

### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

## The Start

## Step 3.

Many commands have additional options that can be set by a '-'

```
cmd COMMAND
```

ls -a

ls -l

ls -lt

lists all files/directories, including hidden files '.' lists the long format lists the long format, but ordered by date last modified

## **EXPECTED RESULTS**

## **Directory System**

## Step 4.

cd - change directory

cmd COMMAND cd ecogeo/

## **Directory System**

## Step 5.

List the contents of the current directory.

## **Directory System**

## Step 6.

Move into the directory called unix

## **Directory System**

#### Step 7.

pwd (present working directory) can be used to show the current directory.

cmd COMMAND pwd

prints the path to the current directory

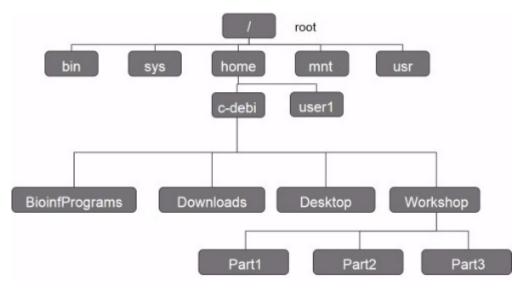
**EXPECTED RESULTS** 

cd /home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix

## **Directory System**

## Step 8.

Move to the root directory.



cmd COMMAND

cd /

### NOTES

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This is where everything is stored in the computer. All the commands we are running live in /bin.

## **Directory System**

## Step 9.

Change directory to home

Change directory to c-debi

Change directory to ecogeo

Change directory to unix

List contents

Change directory to data

Change directory to root

### NOTES

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Tabs can be used to auto complete names.

## **Directory System**

## **Step 10.**

Change directory to unix/data in one step

cmd COMMAND

\$ cd /home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix/data

## **Directory System**

## **Step 11.**

cd '..' allows you to step back up through the path directory. Display present working directory path.

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```
cmd COMMAND
cd ...
pwd
moves back in the path directory
```

**EXPECTED RESULTS** 

/home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix

## **Directory System**

### **Step 12.**

Step back up to the c-debi directory.

## **Directory System**

**Step 13.** 

Change directory to BioinfPrograms

## **Directory System**

## Step 14.

List contents

#### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

```
🕒 🗊 c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox: ~/BioinfPrograms
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/data$ cd ..
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix$ cd ..
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo$ cd ..
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~$ pwd
/home/c-debi
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~$ ls
BioinfPrograms cdebi Desktop Downloads ecogeo c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~$ cd BioinfPrograms/ c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/BioinfPrograms$ ls
                                                                                     muscle
ncbi-blast-2.2.31+
amos-2.0.8
                                       Fast0C
anvio-2.0.2
                                       FastTree
                                       FigTree_v1.4.2
hmmer-3.1b2-linux-intel-x86_64
idba-1.1.1
                                                                                     output.txt
anvi-ubuntu-setup.sh
                                                                                     prodigal
README_IA
AUTHORS
                                                                                     rna_hmm3
bowtie-1.1.2
                                                                                      samtools-1.2
building.html
                                       jalview.jar
Jalview.lax
                                                                                     share
                                                                                     sickle
cutadapt
                                                                                      SPAdes-3.8.1-Linux
dendroscope
Dendroscope_unix_3_5_7.sh lib
                                                                                      THIRDPARTYLIBS
                                       LICENSE
diamond
                                                                                      trimal
EMIRGE
                                                                                      Trimmomatic-0.35
                                       megahit
                                       MetaRNA_to_FastQ.py
                                                                                     Uninstall_Jalview
                                                                                      usearch
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/BioinfPrograms$
```

## **Directory System**

### **Step 15.**

Change directory to unix/

## **Directory System**

### **Step 16.**

Make a directory named "storage".

```
cmd COMMAND mkdir storage
```

## **Directory System**

## **Step 17.**

List contents of directory.

## **Directory System**

## **Step 18.**

Move into the storage directory.

## Manipulating files

### **Step 19.**

The 'touch' command allows you to create a blank file of the input name.

```
cmd COMMAND
touch temp.txt
creates a blank file of the input name
```

## Manipulating files

## Step 20.

The 'cp' command allows you to copy a file and can be used to move a copy of a file to a directory.

```
cmd COMMAND
$ cp
```

## Manipulating files

### **Step 21.**

The 'mv' or move command "destroys" the original and places the content elsewhere.

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ mv

## Manipulating files

### Step 22.

Using copy:

```
cmd COMMAND
$ cp temp.txt newtemp.txt
$ cp temp.txt ../
```

## Manipulating files

## Step 23.

Change directory up a level.

## Manipulating files

## Step 24.

List contents.

**EXPECTED RESULTS** 

```
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ pwd
/home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix/storage$ pwd
/home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix/storage
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ touch temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ ls
temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ cp temp.txt newtemp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ ls
newtemp.txt temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ cp temp.txt ../
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ cd ..
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ cd ..
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix} ls
data storage temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix$
```

## Manipulating files

## Step 25.

Change directory to storage.

### Manipulating files

## Step 26.

Utilize move command:

```
cmd COMMAND
$ mv newtemp.txt oldtemp.txt
$ mv oldtemp.txt /home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix/data
```

### Manipulating files

### **Step 27.**

Change directory to data, list content.

## Manipulating files

## **Step 28.**

List current working directory.

```
cmd COMMAND
```

/home/c-debi/ecogeo/unix/data

## Manipulating files

## Step 29.

The 'rm' remove command deleted a file PERMANENTLY

```
cmd COMMAND rm oldtemp.txt
```

### Manipulating files

## Step 30.

Change directory to storage.

## Manipulating files

### **Step 31.**

Remove temp.txt

## Manipulating files

### **Step 32.**

Change directory to unix

## Manipulating files

### **Step 33.**

Remove storage directory:

```
cmd COMMAND
$ rm -r storage

∠∠ EXPECTED RESULTS
```

```
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/data$ cd ../storage/
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ ls
temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ rm temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix/storage$ cd ..
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix$ ls
data storage temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix$ rm -r storage/
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix$ ls
data temp.txt
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:~/ecogeo/unix$
```

### Manipulating files

### **Step 34.**

Create a directory called bestdirectoryever

Change directory to **bestdirectoryever** 

Create a file called glam.txt

Change glam.txt to formerglam.txt

Remove formerglam.txt

Change directory to unix

Remove **bestdirectoryever** 

## **∠** EXPECTED RESULTS

## Manipulating files

Step 35.

Change directory to data.

## Manipulating files

**Step 36.** 

List contents.

## Manipulating files

**Step 37.** 

Remove oldtemp.txt

## Manipulating files

**Step 38.** 

group12\_contigs.fasta

group20\_contigs.fasta

group24\_contigs.fasta

FASTA files - specific format

> Header line, contains ID and information about...

ATGATAGCTAGCAGCAGCTA[...] 80bp and then a newline.

## Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 39.

'head' will allow you to view the first 10 lines of a file.

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ head [filename]

default displays the first 10 lines

## Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 40.

'tail' allows you to view the last 10 lines of a file.

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ tail [filename]

default displays last 10 lines

### Looking at the contents of a file

### **Step 41.**

'less' allows you to scroll through a file using arrow keys or spacebar = advanced page | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b = | b =

cmd COMMAND

\$ less [filename]

## Step 42.

Use head to display the first 10 lines of group12 contigs.fasta

Display the first 5 lines of **group12\_contigs.fasta** 

Display the last 10 lines of group12 contigs.fasta

Display the last 5 lines of group12\_contigs.fasta

## Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 43.

grep - file pattern searcher

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ grep

## Looking at the contents of a file

### **Step 44.**

wc - count the number of words, lines, characters

## Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 45.

Use grep on group12 contigs.fasta

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ grep ">" group12\_contigs.fasta
stdout prints all matches of ">" in the file

### Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 46.**

How many? Combine grep and wc?

Use the "|" (pipe) symbol

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ grep ">" group12\_contigs.fasta | wc

### Looking at the contents of a file

### **Step 47.**

Repeat but add the option -I to wc

## Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 48.**

Use the same technique to determine the number of sequences in group20\_contigs.fasta

### Step 49.

What about the number of matches to "47" in group12 contigs.fasta?

```
Or " 47"?
  cmd COMMAND
  $ grep '>' group12_contigs.fasta | grep 47
  NOTES
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```

grep '>' group12 contigs.fasta | grep 47

## Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 50.

Redirecting output to file:

```
cmd COMMAND
$ grep ">" group12_contigs.fasta > group12_ids
'>' - redirects the output of STDOUT to a file
```

## Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 51.

Look at the contents of group12\_ids

```
cmd COMMAND
   $ grep "47" group12_contigs.fasta > group12_ids_with_47
Looking at the contents of a file
```

### **Step 52.**

cat - has multiple functions:

```
cmd COMMAND
$ cat group12_ids_with_47
With a single input - prints file contents
```

## Looking at the contents of a file

Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 53.**

With '>' cat has the same function as cp

```
cmd COMMAND
$ cat group12_ids_with_47 > temp1_ids
$ cp group12_ids_with_47 temp2_ids
```

## Step 54.

Double check to make sure **temp1 ids = temp2 ids** 

### Step 55.

Concatenate files with cat - most important function:

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ cat temp1\_ids temp2\_ids > duplicate\_ids

#### Looking at the contents of a file

### **Step 56.**

Check contents of duplicate ids using less or cat

## Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 57.

Grab all of the contigs IDs from **group20\_contigs.fasta** that contain the number "51"

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ grep 51 group20\_contigs.fasta

## Looking at the contents of a file

### **Step 58.**

Concatenate the new IDs to the duplicate ids file in a file called **multiple\_ids** 

### Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 59.

uniq - can be used to remove duplicates or identify lines with 1 occurrence or multiple occurrences

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ uniq

### Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 60.

sort - sort lines in a file alphanumerically

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ sort

#### Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 61.

Compare **multiple\_ids** before and after uniq

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ uniq multiple\_ids

### Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 62.

Why was there no change?

uniq has a weakness, can only identify duplicates in adjacent lines

```
cmd COMMAND
```

- \$ sort multiple\_ids | uniq > clean\_ids
- \*\*note the version of sorting used by Unix

### Step 63.

Clear all present files with temp in title

## cmd COMMAND

- \$ rm temp\*
- '\*' acts as a wildcard, so any file that starts with temp would be identified and removed, no matter the suffix

## Looking at the contents of a file

### Step 64.

How do temp1 ids & temp2 ids compare?

```
cmd COMMAND
```

- \$ sort multiple\_ids | uniq -d > temp1\_ids
- \$ sort multiple\_ids | uniq -u > temp2\_ids

### Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 65.

Identify duplicates:

#### cmd COMMAND

- \$ sort multiple\_ids | uniq -d > temp1\_ids
- Uniq -d identifies only duplicates

## Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 66.**

Identify unique entries:

#### cmd COMMAND

- \$ sort multiple\_ids | uniq -u > temp2\_ids
- Uniq -u identifies only unique entries

## Looking at the contents of a file

Step 67.

temp1\_ids = group12\_ids\_with\_47 &

temp2 ids = group20\_ids\_with\_51

### Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 68.**

Remove all present files with temp in title

## Looking at the contents of a file

Step 69.

sed - modify files a file based on the issued commands

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ sed

## Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 70.**

Want a list of sequence IDs without the '>'?

```
cmd COMMAND
$ sed 's/C/c/' clean_ids
$ sed 's/_/./' clean_ids
$ sed 's/>//' clean_ids > newclean_ids

ANNOTATIONS
```

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sed 's/C/c/'

between the single quotes, substitute the occurrence of upper case C to lower case c

## Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 71.

sed 's/C/c/'

between the single quotes, substitute the occurrence of upper case C to lower case c

## Looking at the contents of a file

Step 72.

segmagick

Wrapper designed to utilize built in Biopython modules to manipulate and change FASTA files

Requires Biopython

http://fhcrc.github.io/seqmagick/

## Looking at the contents of a file

Step 73.

Discuss:

convert - produce a modified new file

mogrify - change the input file

info - present information of files in a directory

Additionally: backtrans-align, extract-ids, quality-filter, and primer-trim

```
cmd COMMAND
```

\$ seqmagick

## Looking at the contents of a file

### **Step 74.**

Execute segmagick convert:

```
cmd COMMAND
```

```
$ seqmagick convert --include-from-
file newclean_ids group12_contigs.fasta newgroup12_contigs.fasta
```

### Looking at the contents of a file

## **Step 75.**

How many sequences are in **newgroup12\_contigs.fasta**? Using grep '>':

```
cmd COMMAND
```

```
$ seqmagick extract-ids newgroup12_contigs.fasta | wc
$ seqmagick info *fasta
```

### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

```
C-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:-/Workshop/Part1_Unix/data

c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:-/Workshop/Part1_Unix/data$ seqmagick info *fasta
name alignment min_len max_len avg_len num_seqs
group12_contigs.fasta FALSE 5136 116409 22974.30 132
group20_contigs.fasta FALSE 5029 22601 7624.38 203
group24_contigs.fasta FALSE 5024 81329 12115.70 139
newgroup12_contigs.fasta FALSE 5587 30751 16768.14 7
c-debi@cdebi-VirtualBox:-/Workshop/Part1_Unix/data$
```

## Looking at the contents of a file

## Step 76.

Store the information generated by 'segmagick info' in a new file

### fasta info

#### cmd COMMAND

```
$ cut
$ cut -f 2 fasta_info
$ cut -f 2,4 fasta_info
$ cut -f 2-4 fasta_info
```

cut - pulling out columns from a table file -d allows for the assignment of the type of delimiter between fields, if not TAB -f delineates which fields to preserve, starting at 1

## Some additional tools

## **Step 77.**

history - prints a sequential list of all commands in the current session

echo \$PATH - lists the directories for which the OS is checking for commands and data

## Some additional tools

## Step 78.

nano - in window text editor

#### cmd COMMAND

\$ nano fasta info

Additional text can be entered like any text editor To close out - Ctrl+X, hit 'Y', then ENTER Create a new file - nano and then enter file name after Ctrl+X

## Some additional tools

## Step 79.

Simple bash scripts: Text file with a list of commands that can be executed as a batch. Look at the contents of **simplebashscript** 

## Some additional tools

## Step 80.

chmod - change file modes

### cmd COMMAND

\$ chmod 775 simplebashscript

### NOTES

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chmod 755 simplebashscript

## Some additional tools

### **Step 81.**

Plain text file -> executable text file.

#### cmd COMMAND

\$ ./simplebashscript

## Installations

### Step 82.

AMOS - a software infrastructure for developing assembly tools

Installation source: <a href="http://amos.sourceforge.net/wiki/index.php/AMOS\_Getting\_Started">http://amos.sourceforge.net/wiki/index.php/AMOS\_Getting\_Started</a> ✓ protocols.io