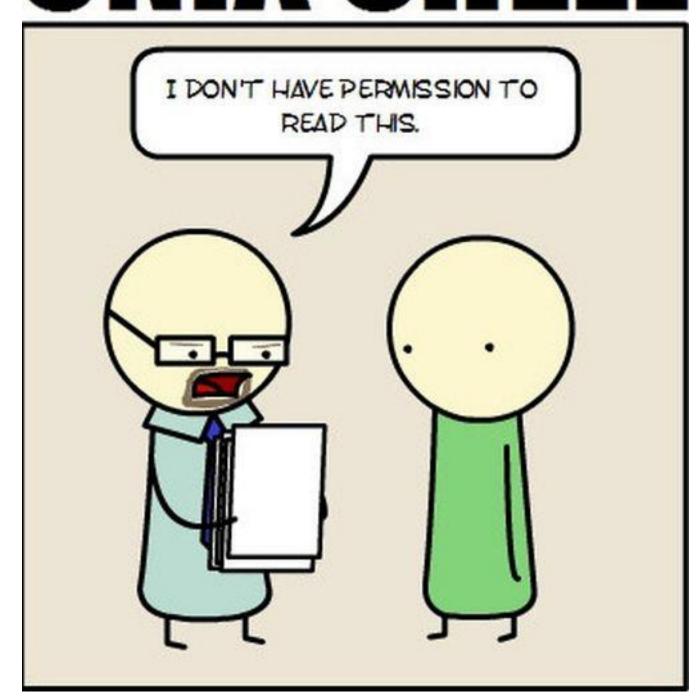
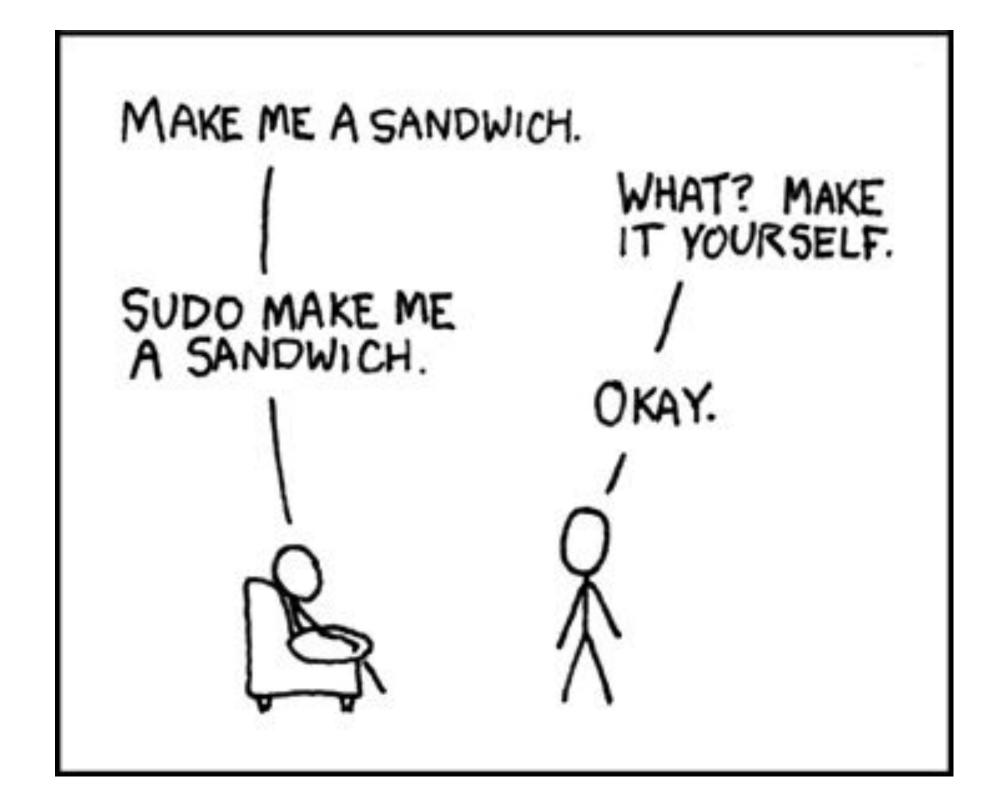
Data analysis with the shell

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UNIX SHELL





Outline

Installing/running programs

• 'for' loops

• Shell scripts

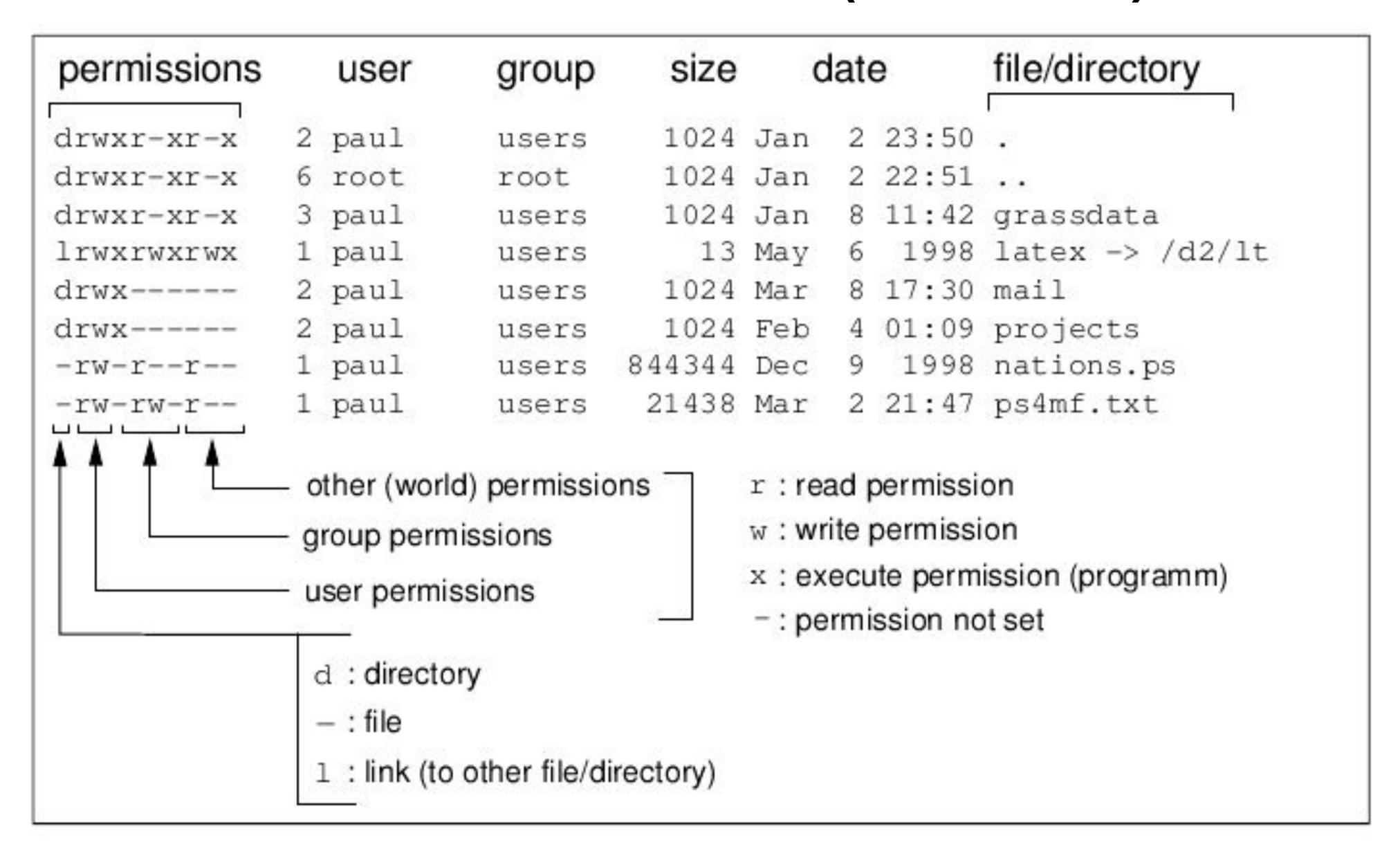
Assignment

Installing/running programs

Computers only understand their native machine language

2 types of programming languages

Permissions ('1s -1')



Changing Permissions

chmod (change mode)

Add execute for User: chmod u+x file.txt

Add read and write for Group: chmod g+rw file.txt

Remove write and execute for Other: chmod o-wx file.txt

All three in one command: chmod u+x, g+rw, o-wx file.txt

\$PATH

- A list of directories
 - Locations your computer looks for command-line software
- Searched in the order listed
- To view: echo \$PATH
- To add a directory: PATH="\$PATH:path/to/new/dir"

Recommendation

- Create three directories in your home directory:
 - scripts (your own custom scripts, PCfB p. 85-88)
 - programs (ready-to-use code downloaded from others)
 - source (source code that needs to be compiled)
- Add scripts and programs to \$PATH

Dependencies

Installing program 1000 100 em em o

for loops

for 1000

- •Simple, but powerful way to repeatedly execute the same commands for different files, parameter values, etc.
- Can be included in scripts or run directly on command line

Basic syntax

```
for file in *.sh; do chmod u+x $file; done
```

'for' loop examples

```
for file in *txt; do cp $file copy_$file;
mkdir dir_$file; mv $file dir_$file; done
```

for loop demo

Shell scripts

Why use shell scripts?

Automate a series of commands

- particularly useful when each command takes a long time to run
- Creates a record of commands that have been run

Easy format for rerunning commands

Two ways to specify the interpreter to use

Specify interpreter inside script

```
#!/bin/bash-

mkdir test-

cd test-
```

File extensions

 Recommended (but not required) to save script with specific file extension

Allows recognition from file name

Syntax-specific coloring in text editors

•For shell script:

Shell + Regexp method

- 1. Use the shell to generate a list of files/directories
- 2. Use regular expressions within your text editor to turn those file/directory names into a list of commands

Shell script demo