Introduction to Computer Organization

DIS 1A - WEEK 1

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Today's Schedule

- Administrative information
- Linux overview and accessing the SEASnet Linux servers
- C (as opposed to C++)
- Lab 0 overview
- Lecture Review

Administrative information

Discussion Slides will be mailed to the group

Labs carry 40% of the total grade

• Lab 0 will contribute 1% towards the final grade

 You are encouraged to use Discussion Forum on CCLE for any doubts

Getting Started

This class is based around C, not C++

• You are highly recommended to ditch Visual Studio and work in a Linux environment, specifically the SEASnet Linux servers.

Your assignments will be tested on the SEASnet Linux servers

Setup

In order to login to SEASnet, you need to be connected to wireless networks on campus

OR

login with VPN software

https://www.it.ucla.edu/bol/services/virtual-private-network-vpn-clients

Setup Guide for Windows

Download PuTTY

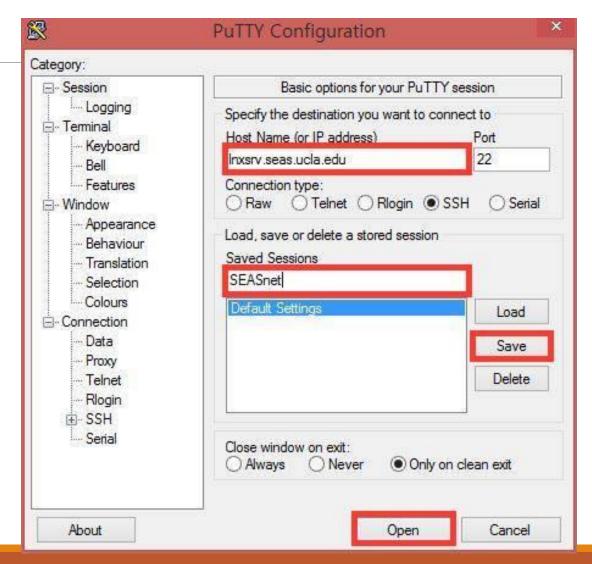
https://the.earth.li/~sgtatham/putty/latest/x86/putty.exe

PuTTY

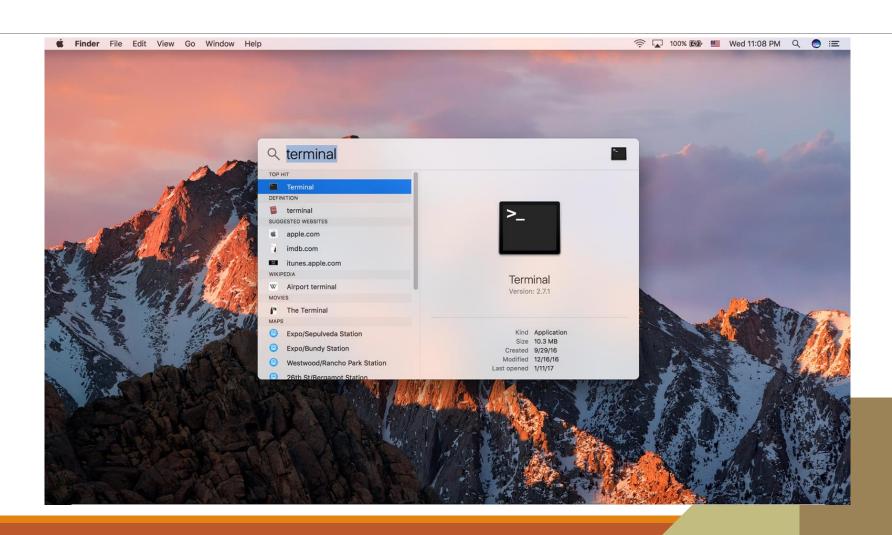
First Run

- Type Inxsrv@seas.ucla.edu for Host Name
- Type SEASnet for Saved Sessions
- Click Save
- Click Open
- Type your SEASnet username and password

Double-click SEASnet under Saved Sessions in the future



Setup Guide for Mac



Terminal

Type ssh <SEASnet username>@lnxsrv.seas.ucla.edu

Enter your password

Copying between local machine and SEASnet

- For Windows users:
- WinSCP: An scp client
- scp stands for secure copy. You use it to secure copy.

Download WinSCP

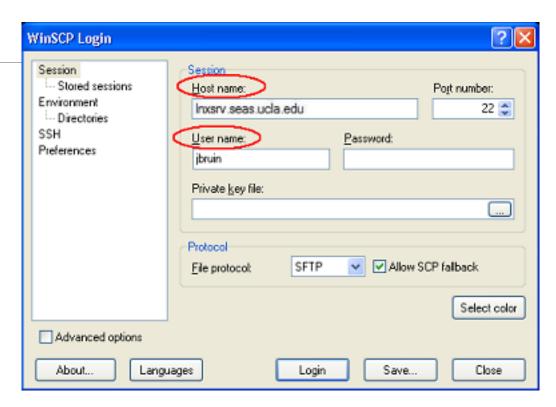
http://winscp.net/download/winscp427setup.exe

WinSCP

Type *Inxsrv.seas.ucla.edu* for Host name

Type your SEASnet username and password

Right click a file and select upload or download



Copying between local machine and SEASnet

Download Cyberduck

https://update.cyberduck.io/Cyberduck-5.2.2.21483.zip



Cyberduck

Click Open Connection

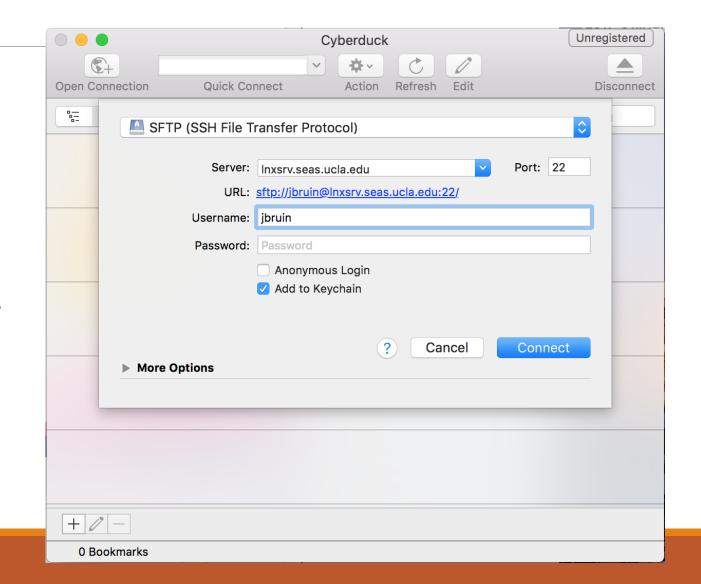
Select SFTP (SSH File Transfer

Protocol)

Type *Inxsrv.seas.ucla.edu* for Server

Type your username and password

Click Connect



Linux Introduction

 Linux is the operating system/kernel that you will be learning about in this

• The primary interface into Linux that you'll be using is a command line interface akin to MSDOS

- Linux command format:
- [command name] -X -Y -Z [argument]
- (X, Y, and Z are optional flags)
- Flags modify/specify the behavior of the command

- pwd print working directory
- Is list contents of current directory
- Is -I ("-I" flag will print contents in long form)
- cd change directory
- cd a (navigates to the "a" directory which is located in the current directory)
- cd .. (navigate to the parent directory)
- cd ../dir (navigate to a directory called "dir" that is located within the parent)
- cd . (navigate to the current directory. Great work)

- Editing files. If you're interested familiarizing yourselves with Linux (which will have to happen eventually), it is recommended that you use "vi" or "emacs".
- vi text.txt
- emacs text.txt
- Commands that start with a colon :

:w save

:x save and quit

:q quit (will trigger error if file hasn't been saved)

:q! quit without saving

- The standard Linux C compiler is gcc.
- gcc main.c (compile the file main.c into an executable file with default name "a.out")
- gcc main.c -o main (compile the file main.c into an executable file called "main")
- gcc main.c -O2 (compile the file with optimizations, level 2)

- Executing executables
- -./main (executes the executable file called "main")

In a (very simplified) nutshell, C++ is an extension to C.

• The syntax of the language is nearly identical, but you will find that C lacks certain features, namely the "Object Oriented" paradigm.

Some features are analogous, but have different names.

- In C++:
- for(int i = 0; i < size; i++)
- By default, gcc uses a 1990's C standard which prohibits declarations in "for" loops. As a result, you will have to do either
- int i;
- for(i = 0; I < size; i++)
- Or explicitly use gcc to compile with a different C standard
- gcc -std=c99 temp.c

Dynamic memory allocation

- In C++:
- char * c_arr = new char[10];
- delete c_arr;
- "new" allows you to specify repetitions of a specific data type.

- In C, these declarations force you to be more specific. Instead of "new", use "malloc" and instead of "delete", use "free".
- char * c_arr = (char *) malloc(sizeof(char) * 10);
- free(c_arr);
- Note: These are analogous but not the same.
- "malloc" and other "_alloc" variations operate on the principle that you're specifying a specific amount of memory to allocate rather than a specific data type.

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Instead of:
- int x = 10;
- cout << x;</pre>
You'll use "printf"
- printf("hello");
- printf("%d", x);

    printf takes in as the first parameter a string to print out that is populated with

format codes that correspond to the remaining arguments.
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