

Use Lecture 4 to do the following:

<http://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/~wjk/UnixIntro/Lecture4.html>

1. Archive the contents of your home directory using `tar`. Compress the tar file with `gzip`. Now uncompress and unarchive the `.tar.gz` file using `cat`, `tar` and `gzip` on one command line.
2. Use `find` to compile a list of all directories in the system, redirecting the output so that the list of directories ends up in a file called `directories.txt` and the list of error messages ends up in a file called `errors.txt`.
3. Try the command `sleep 5`. What does this command do?
4. Run the command in the background using `&`.
5. Run `sleep 15` in the foreground, suspend it with `Ctrl-z` and then put it into the background with `bg`. Type `jobs`. Type `ps`. Bring the job back into the foreground with `fg`.
6. Run `sleep 15` in the background using `&`, and then use `kill` to terminate the process by its job number. Repeat, except this time kill the process by specifying its PID.
7. Run `sleep 15` in the background using `&`, and then use `kill` to suspend the process. Use `bg` to continue running the process.
8. Startup a number of `sleep 60` processes in the background, and terminate them all at the same time using the `pkill` command.
9. Use `ps`, `w` and `top` to show all processes that are executing.
10. Use `ps -aeH` to display the process hierarchy. Look for the `init` process. See if you can identify important system daemons. Can you also identify your shell and its subprocesses?
11. Combine `ps -fae` with `grep` to show all processes that you are executing, with the exception of the `ps -fae` and `grep` commands.
12. Start a `sleep 300` process running in the background. Log off the server, and log back in again. List all the processes that you are running. What happened to your `sleep` process? Now repeat, except this time start by running `nohup sleep 300`.
13. Multiple jobs can be issued from the same command line using the operators `;`, `&&` and `||`. Try combining the commands `cat nonexistent` and `echo hello` using each of these operators. Reverse the order of the commands and try again. What are the rules about when the commands will be executed?

14. What does the `xargs` command do? Can you combine it with `find` and `grep` to find yet another way of searching all files in the `/home` subdirectory tree for the word `hello`?
15. What does the `cut` command do? Can you use it together with `w` to produce a list of login names and CPU times corresponding to each active process? Can you now (all on the same command line) use `sort` and `head` or `tail` to find the user whose process is using the most CPU?