

# **Lab 1**

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## **Environment Setup and Basic Unix**

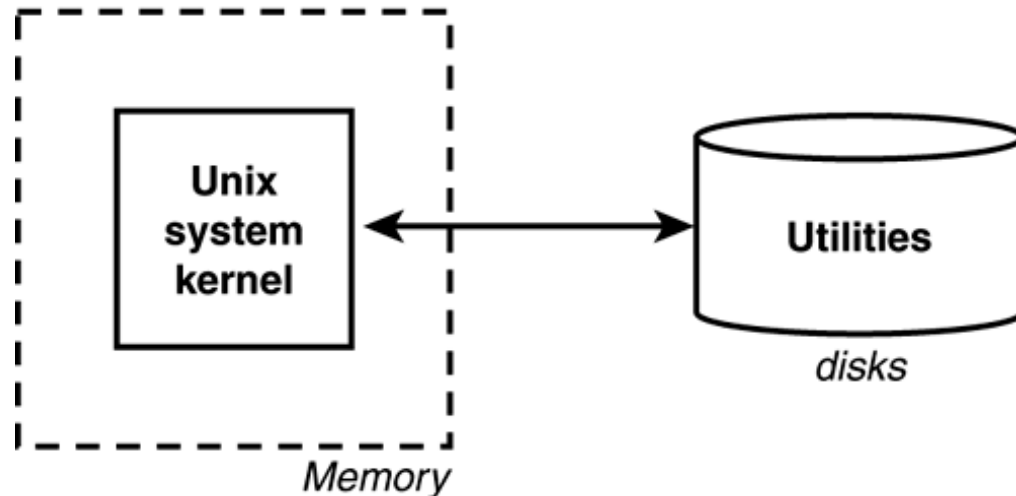
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# Lab Objectives

- Get to know your lab TA and undergraduate mentors
- TA will lecture for 20-30 minutes on basic Linux commands and the file system
- Make sure your computer is setup to run Linux and/or Cygwin and gcc 4.8.2 or later
  - Mac OS X (XCode Command Line Tools + gcc)
  - Windows - Cygwin
  - Mac/Windows - Virtual Box + Ubuntu Desktop Linux 14.04
- To get credit for the lab you need to demonstrate knowledge of basic Linux/UNIX commands and the file system and show your computing environment is setup correctly

# Introduction to Linux/Unix

- A Unix system is itself logically divided into two pieces:
  - kernel
  - utilities



- Kernel is the “heart” of the system and resides in memory
- Utilities are loaded from the disk into memory and executed

# Introduction to Linux/Unix

- All Unix systems require an account:
  - username and password (case sensitive)
  - userid and groupid (unique numbers, a user can have multiple groupids)
  - home directory and shell (command line interpreter)
- Popular Unix systems shells include:
  - Bourne Shell (sh)
  - C Shell (csh)
  - Bourne Again Shell (bash)
  - TENEX C Shell (tcsh)
  - Korn Shell (ksh)
- You interact with the shell (prompts and waits for your commands)

# Basic Unix Commands

- The **date** command tells the system to print the date and time:

```
bash-3.2$ date  
Sun Jan 25 13:49:38 EST 2015
```

- If you need help with a specific command you can check the man pages for that command:

```
bash-3.2$ man date
```

# Basic Unix Commands

- The **echo** command prints or echo at the terminal whatever else you happen to type on the line (there are exceptions to this):

```
bash-3.2$ echo this is a test  
this is a test
```

```
bash-3.2$ echo why not print a longer line with echo?  
why not print a longer line with echo?  
bash-3.2$ echo
```

```
bash-3.2$ echo one          two          three    four    five  
one two three four five  
bash-3.2$ echo "one          two          three    four    five"  
one          two          three    four    five
```

- Notice echo squeezes out the extra blanks between words. Words are more important by default on a Unix system (more on this in the next lab)

# Unix File System Commands

- The **ls** command shows what files are listed in your directory:

```
bash-3.2$ ls
feb86    jan5.89    jan87    memo10
jan12.89  jan85      jan88    memo2
jan19.89  jan85.89   mar88    memo2.sv
jan26.89  jan86      memo1
```

- Unix systems recognize only three basic types of files: ordinary files, directories, special files
  - ordinary files - contain data (e.g. text, program instructions)
  - directories - used to group ordinary files together (folders)
  - special files - a file with special meaning to the system (e.g. symbolic links)
- Maximum length of file names is system dependent

# Unix File System Commands

- The **cat** command lets you examine the contents of a file:

```
bash-3.2$ cat names
Susan
Jeff
Henry
Allan
Ken
```

- The **wc** command gives you a count of the total number of lines, words, and characters contained in a file:

```
bash-3.2$ wc names
5      5      27 names
```

command output: lines, words, characters, file name



# Unix Commands Options

- Most Unix commands allow the specifications of options at the time that a command is executed. These options generally follow the same format:

–letter

- A command option is a minus sign followed immediately by a single letter (or word).

Examples with the **wc** command:

bash-3.2\$ wc -l names ← -l gets # of lines in file  
5 names

bash-3.2\$ wc -c names ← -c gets # of characters in file  
27 names

bash-3.2\$ wc -w names ← -w gets # of words in file  
5 names

# Unix File System Commands

- The **cp** command makes a copy of a file:

```
bash-3.2$ cp names saved_names  
bash-3.2$
```

- The first argument is the source file while the second file is the destination (or copy) file

- The **mv** command moves or renames a file:

```
bash-3.2$ mv saved_names hold_it  
bash-3.2$
```

- Warning: For both commands above, the Unix system will overwrite an existing file without warning (see the man pages on these commands for safety options)

# Unix File System Commands

- The **rm** command is used to delete files:

```
bash-3.2$ rm hold_it  
bash-3.2$
```

- It is possible to delete multiple files at once:

```
bash-3.2$ rm wb collect mon  
bash-3.2$
```

# Unix File System: Directories

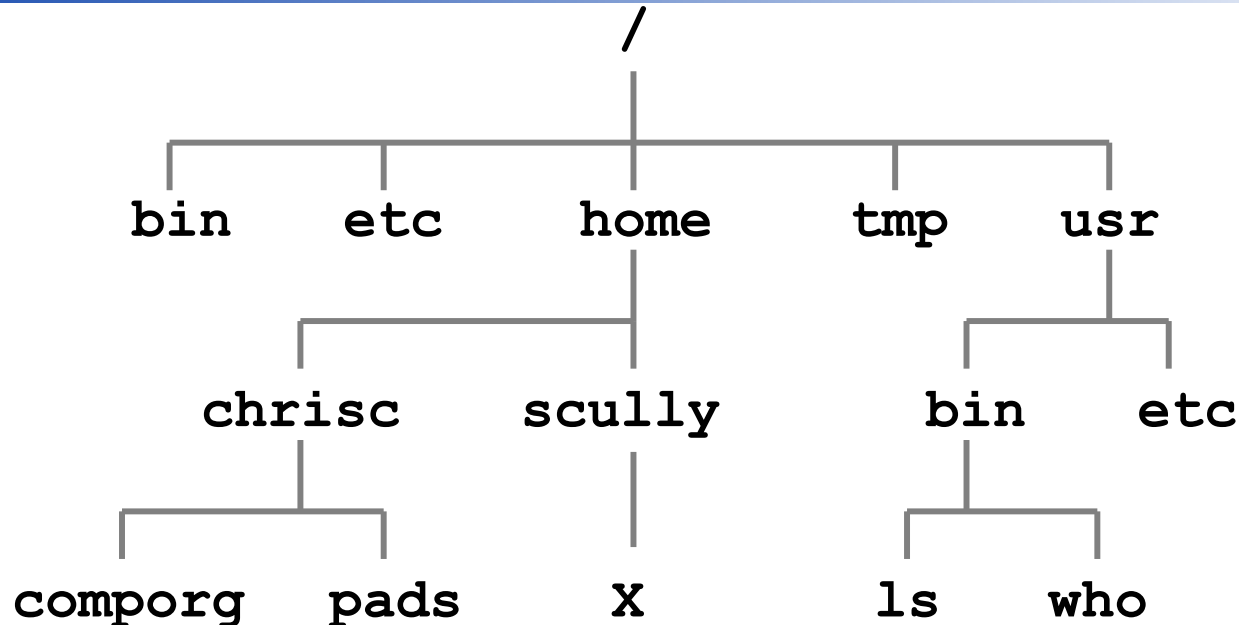
- A directory is a special kind of file - Unix uses a directory to hold information about other files
- We often think of a directory as a container that holds other files (or directories)
- Mac and Windows: A directory is the same idea as a folder
- Folders are used as a GUI interface to directories and not unique to Unix/Linux/FreeBSD

# Unix File System: Files

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- Every file has a name
- Each file in the same directory must have a unique name
- Files that are in different directories can have the same name

# Unix File System



- The filesystem is a hierarchical system of organizing files and directories
- The top level in the hierarchy is called the "root" and holds all files and directories.
- The name of the root directory is /
- Example pathname: /home/chrisc/comporg/pads

# Unix File System Commands

- The **pwd** command tells you the name of your current working directory (“get your bearings”):

```
bash-3.2$ pwd
/home/calonge
```

- The **cd** command changes the current working directory:

```
bash-3.2$ cd test
bash-3.2$ pwd
/home/calonge/test
```

- If you type the **cd** command without any arguments it will return you to your home directory:

```
bash-3.2$ cd
bash-3.2$ pwd
/Users/calonge
```

# Unix File System Commands

- The easiest way to get one level up in a directory is to issue the command:

```
bash-3.2$ cd ..  
bash-3.2$ pwd  
/home
```

- You don't have to change directories one level at a time:

```
bash-3.2$ cd calonge/test  
bash-3.2$ pwd  
/home/calonge/test
```

- To go back up two levels:

```
bash-3.2$ cd ../..  
bash-3.2$ pwd  
/home
```



# Unix File System Commands

- The **ls -l** (long format) command can also show detailed information on the files in a directory:

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
total 16
```

drwxr-xr-x	2	calonge	staff	68	Jan	25	15:01	data
-rw-r--r--	1	calonge	staff	54	Jan	25	15:00	memo1
-rw-r--r--	1	calonge	staff	13	Jan	25	14:07	memo10
-rw-r--r--	1	calonge	staff	34	Jan	25	14:07	memo2
-rw-r--r--	1	calonge	staff	12	Jan	25	14:07	memo2.sv
-rw-r--r--	1	calonge	staff	27	Jan	25	14:21	names

Is it a  
special  
file?

permissions

# of links

owner

group

size in bytes

last time  
modified

filename

# Unix File System: Permissions

**ls -l and permissions**

**-rwxrwxrwx**  
Owner Group Others

**Type of file:**

**- means plain file**

**d means directory**

- You can change file and directory permissions with the **chmod** command

# Unix File System Commands

- The **mkdir** command creates a new directory:

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
total 16
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  2 calonge  staff  68 Jan 25 15:01 data
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  54 Jan 25 15:00 memo1
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  13 Jan 25 14:07 memo10
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  34 Jan 25 14:07 memo2
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  12 Jan 25 14:07 memo2.sv
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  27 Jan 25 14:21 names
```

```
bash-3.2$ mkdir metadata
```

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  2 calonge  staff  68 Jan 25 15:01 data
drwxr-xr-x  2 calonge  staff  68 Jan 25 15:11 metadata
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  54 Jan 25 15:00 memo1
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  13 Jan 25 14:07 memo10
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  34 Jan 25 14:07 memo2
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  12 Jan 25 14:07 memo2.sv
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff  27 Jan 25 14:21 names
```

# Unix File System Commands

- The **rmdir** command deletes a new directory:

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
total 16
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  2 calonge  staff   68 Jan 25 15:01 data
drwxr-xr-x  2 calonge  staff   68 Jan 25 15:11 metadata
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   54 Jan 25 15:00 memo1
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   13 Jan 25 14:07 memo10
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   34 Jan 25 14:07 memo2
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   12 Jan 25 14:07 memo2.sv
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 14:21 names
```

```
bash-3.2$ rmdir metadata
```

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  2 calonge  staff   68 Jan 25 15:01 data
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   54 Jan 25 15:00 memo1
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   13 Jan 25 14:07 memo10
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   34 Jan 25 14:07 memo2
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   12 Jan 25 14:07 memo2.sv
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 14:21 names
```

- Note: only works if the directory is empty!

# Unix File System Commands

- The **touch** command changes the file timestamp and can also create blank files:

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
total 8
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 15:46 myfile
bash-3.2$ touch myfile
bash-3.2$ ls -l
total 8
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 15:56 myfile
bash-3.2$ touch newfile
bash-3.2$ ls -l
total 8
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 15:56 myfile
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff    0 Jan 25 15:57 newfile
bash-3.2$
```

# Unix File System Commands

- The **ln** command allows you to “link” files together (i.e. give more than one name to a file)

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
total 8
```

```
-rw-r--r--  1 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 15:35 names
```

```
bash-3.2$ ln names namelist
```

```
bash-3.2$ ls -l
```

```
total 16
```

```
-rw-r--r--  2 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 15:35 namelist
```

```
-rw-r--r--  2 calonge  staff   27 Jan 25 15:35 names
```

```
bash-3.2$ cat names
```

```
Susan
```

```
Jeff
```

```
Henry
```

```
bash-3.2$ cat namelist
```

```
Susan
```

```
Jeff
```

```
Henry
```

```
bash-3.2$
```

# gcc: Hello World!

- We will discuss C programming starting in about 2 weeks (Lecture 5). For now try simply create the following C program in a file called hello.c (pick any text editor):

```
/* Hello World! Program */  
  
#include<stdio.h>  
  
int main()  
{  
    printf("Hello World!\n");  
}
```

- Compile and run it using the following command:  
bash-3.2\$ gcc hello.c; ./a.out

# Steps for Lab Credit

Demonstrate the following to your lab TA or the undergraduate mentors present (make sure you get checked off):

- Change directories and list files
- Copy a file from one directory to another
- Move a file from one directory to another
- Create and delete a file
- Change file permissions (hint: you will need to use the `chmod` command — check the man pages for guidance)
- Output the current date and time in the following format:  
YYYY-MO-DD HH:MM:SS  
where,  
YYYY = year, MO = month, DD = day  
HH = hour, MM = minutes, and SS = seconds
- Compile and run the “Hello World!” C program