

# Operating System fundamentals

Finding an archiving files



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# Finding files

# Finding files with find

- find looks for files (not IN files)
- examples
  - **find / -name** "host"
  - **find / -name** "host" 2>/dev/null
  - **find / -name** "\*host" 2>/dev/null
  - **find / -regex** ".\*host" 2>/dev/null
- general (synopsis)
  - find [ start-dir ] [ select-options ] [ action ]

# Select options

- type:
  - find ~ **-type f** -> look only for regular files
  - find ~ **-type d** -> look only for directories
- size:
  - find / **-size +100M** 2>/dev/null
  - find ~ **-size -1k**

# Select options

## 1. group and user:

find /opt **-group** docker

-> look for files that belong to group acs10x

find /home **-user** andrew

-> look for files that belong to user andrew

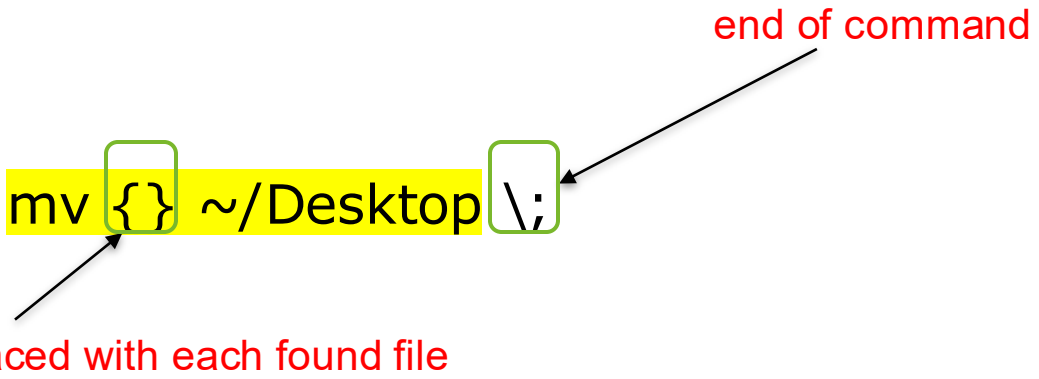
# Select options

## **mmin, mtime, amin, atime, cmin en ctime:**

- (m = modify, a = access, c = create)
- (time=in days, min=in minutes)
- examples:
  - find / **-mmin 1** -> look for all files that were modified exactly 1 minute ago
  - find / **-amin -5** -> look for all files that were opened less than 5 minutes ago
  - find / **-ctime +3** -> look for all files that were created more than 3 days ago
  - find / **-mtime 7** -> look for all files that were modified exactly 7 days ago



# Actions

- `find ~ -size +10M -exec mv {} ~/Desktop \;`  


`{ }` will be replaced with each found file

end of command
- `find / -user anita -exec mv {} /root/trash \;`
- `find / -user vbox -type f -exec grep -l 'Tania' {} \; 2>/dev/null`

# Exercise

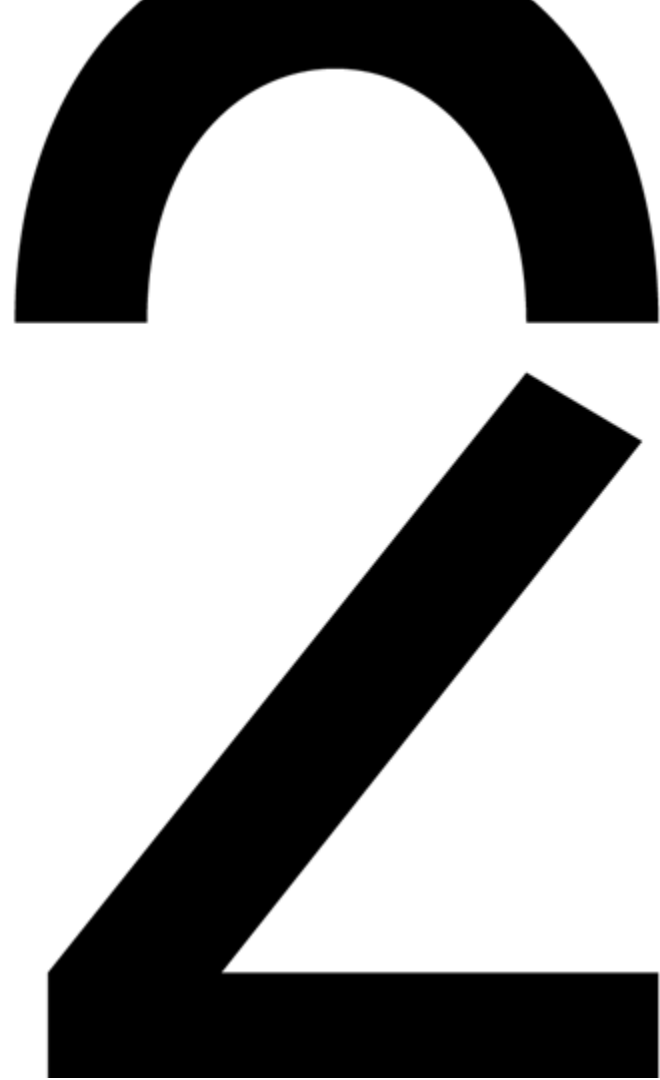
1. Find all **files** of user **root** that are in the directory **/var** and were modified within the last **24 hours**

**How many did you find?**

2. Find all **files** in **/var/log** that are larger than **512KiB** and write that list to a file "big.list" in your home directory
3. Find all files in **/opt/share** larger than 2MB and copy them to your homefolder

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# Archiving files



# The tar command

- Tape ARchiver
  - creates a kind of zip-file
  - standard not compressed
  - originally this file was written to tape
  - all meta-data of the files is preserved (owner permissions, create time, ...)

# The tar command

- Main options:

tar c → create a tar file

tar x → extract a tar file

tar t → show contents of a tar file

# Tar examples

- `tar -cf /tmp/backup.tar /home /etc` -> create file
- `tar -tf /tmp/backup.tar`  
contents -> inspect
- `tar -tvf /tmp/backup.tar` -> add option v for  
verbosity
- `tar -xf /tmp/backup.tar` -> extract
- `tar -zcf /tmp/backup.tgz /home` -> use gzip
- `tar -zcf /tmp/backup.tar.gz /home` -> also gzip
- `tar -jcf /tmp/backup.tar.bz2 /home` -> use bzip2
- `tar -Jcf /tmp/backup.tar.xz /home` -> use xz

# Exercise

- Make a backup of your home folder and put that in /tmp folder in a file called `${USER}.tar` using:
  - a uncompressed tar file
  - a compressed tar file (gzip)
  - a compressed tar file (bzip)
- Download the GNU "hello world" program
  - wget <https://ftp.gnu.org/gnu/hello/hello-2.12.tar.gz>
  - Create directory `~/hello`
  - extract the tar file in the `~/hello` directory
  - Run `./configure` and make commands in the extracted folder
  - Run the `./hello` program once it has been compiled

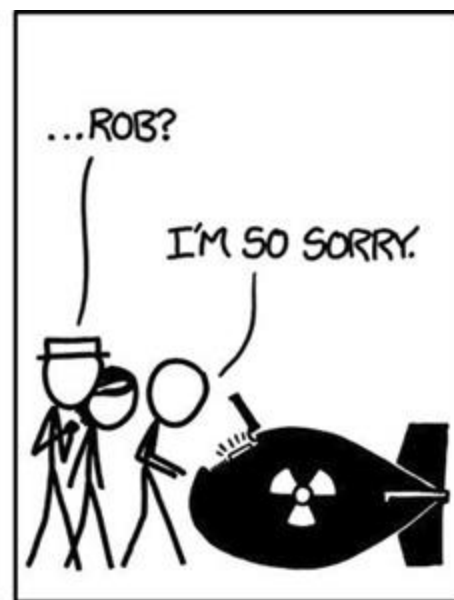
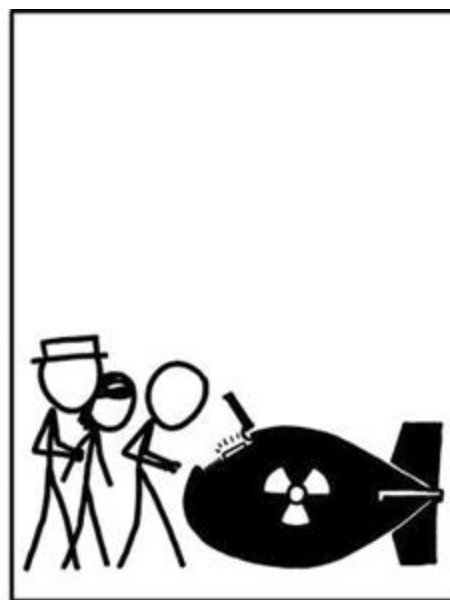
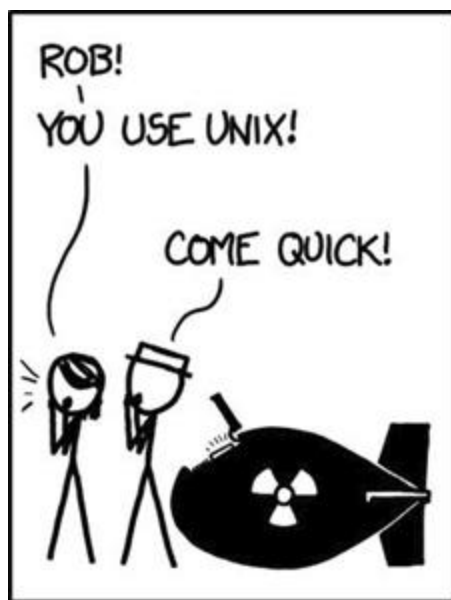
# Exercise @home\*, @in\_your\_virtual\_machine

- Download the tor browser for Linux
  - look at the contents
  - extract the tar file in the ~/tor directory
  - start the browser

\* KdG network admins don't allow you to surf there using the kdG network...

\*\* You can only run this browser on a linux with a gui, such as alma in your virtualbox





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# Transferring files

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A system administrator needs to move files between servers very regularly

Different possibilities:

- ftp
- sftp
- **scp**
- rsync
- nfs
- ...

# Secure copy with scp

Uses the same protocol as ssh

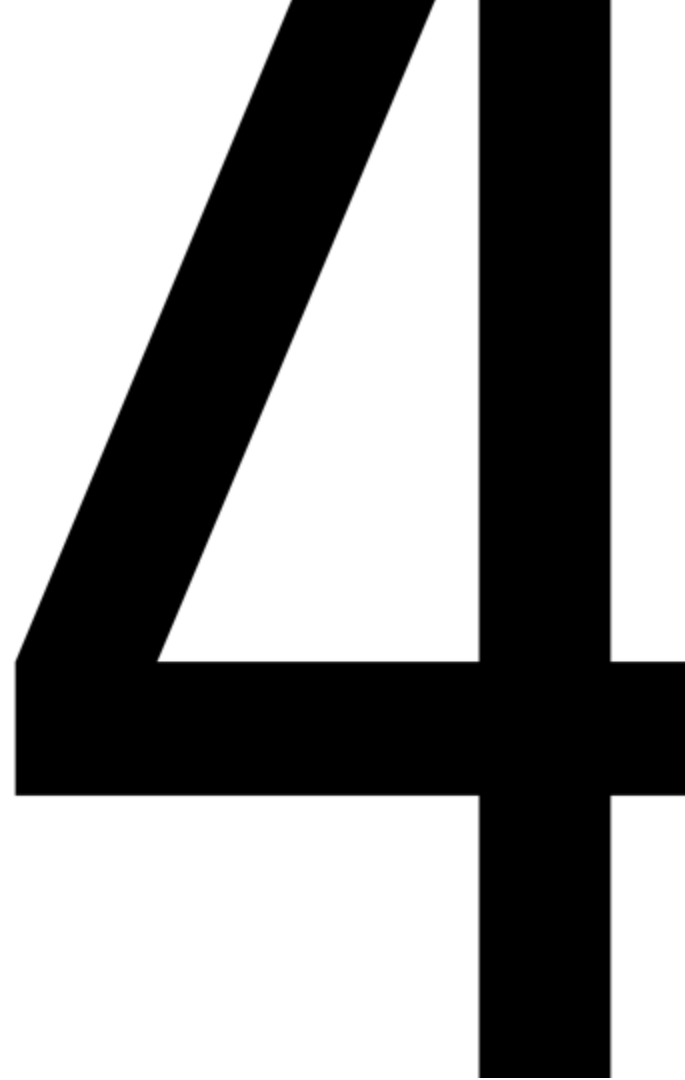
- you can use the same username/password
- uses the same encryption

# Secure copy with scp

- copy from local to remote:
  - `scp localfile username@host:path`
  - `scp backup.tgz backup@mybackup.server.kdg.be:~/backups`
- copy from remote to local:
  - `scp username@host:path localpath`
  - `scp root@files005.police.belgium.eu:/data/secure/criminal/records/NilsCant.tar.gz .`
- copy a directory
  - use the `-r` option to recursively copy directories
  - `scp -r root@files005.police.belgium.eu:/data/secure/criminal/records/ /tmp`

# Exercise

- A. log in on the KdG server  
create a gzipped backup of your home directory in a tar file  
transfer this tar file to your own computer
- B. Select a picture on your pc, rename it to your username.  
(Keep the file extension .jpg, .png, .gif, ... or whatever)  
Copy this picture from your computer to the folder  
**/opt/share/images** on your class server.  
Verify that the picture has arrived by using a browser to go to  
[http://IP\\_address\\_class\\_server/images](http://IP_address_class_server/images)



# Exercises

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  - 7.1.4 Exercise 1, 2, 3, 4
  - 7.2.4 Exercise 1, 2, 3
  - 7.3.4 Exercise 1, 2
- RedHat
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