

Unix Fundamentals & Commands

Day 2

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Objectives

- At the end of the session, you will be able to:
 - Use general purpose Unix commands

Agenda: Day 2

- File comparison Commands
- File Access Permission Commands
- Pipes & Filters
- Shell Basics
- Unix Environment

File Comparison

- **cmp** command compares two files and reports the location of first mismatch

```
$ cmp file1 file2
```

```
file1 file2 differ: byte 1, line 1
```

File Comparison

- **comm** compares two sorted files and produces result in three columns:
Lines: Unique to file1 Unique to file2 Common

```
$ comm file1 file2
```

```
      Anil 12 2000
```

```
Ajit 12 2000
```

```
      Dinesh 27 1400
```

```
Sunil 12 2000
```

File Comparison

- **diff** command compares two files and proposes the changes in first file to make two files identical

<pre>\$ cat file1 Anil 12 2000 Ajit 12 2000 Sunil 12 2000</pre>	<pre>\$ cat file2 Anil 12 2000 Dinesh 27 1400</pre>	<pre>\$diff file1 file2 2,3c2 < Ajit 12 2000 < Sunil 12 2000 --- > Dinesh 27 1400</pre>
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File Access Permissions

- chmod command is used to change the permissions on a file for owner, group and others
 chmod <permission><filename>

- Symbolic Method:

Code	Meaning
a	all
u	user
g	group
o	other
+	add
-	remove
=	assign

chmod u+x,g-w,o+r,o-wx sample

File Access Permissions

- Absolute value Method:

Code	Meaning
4	Read
2	Write
1	Execute

- \$ chmod 754 sample

File Access Permissions

- **umask** command changes initial permission of newly created file
- The value of argument can be calculated by subtracting the mode you want as default from the current default mode
- Assume that the current default mode is 0666 and you want it as 0644 then $666 - 644 = 022$ will be the parameter which we have to pass with “umask” command
- `$umask 0` – sets default mode which is 0666

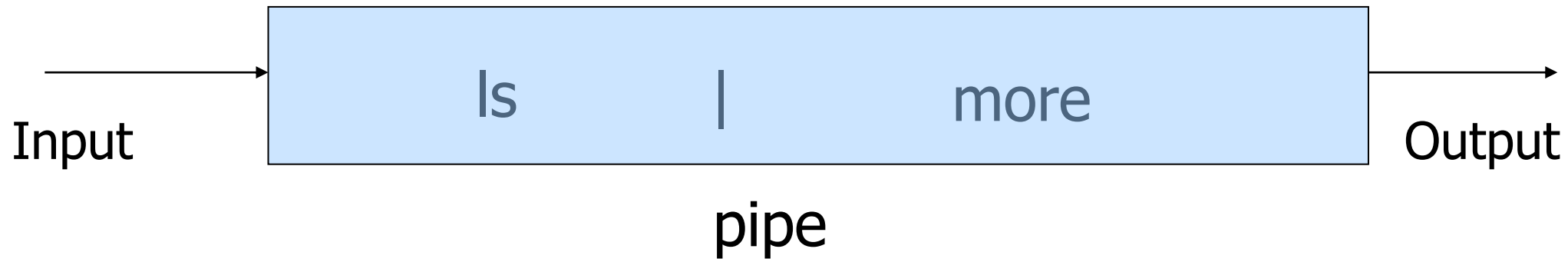
Pipes

- It is used to pass the output of one Unix command as an input to another Unix command

e.g. `$ ls >temp`

`$ more temp`

} `$ ls | more`



Text Manipulation Commands: Filters

- A filter is a SHELL command which takes an input (either from a standard input device or a file) , processes it and send the processed out put to a standard output device or a file
- At run time, the system supplies data to the filter as standard input. This standard input file can not be altered by the program.

Filters

- **wc**: counts lines, words and characters
\$ wc -[wlc] [filename]
- **head**: displays first 'n' lines, horizontal slicing
\$ head -[n] [filename]
- **tail**: displays last 'n' lines, horizontal slicing
\$ tail -[n] [filename]
- **split**: divides files horizontally
\$ split -[l] [filename]

Filters

- **cut**: cuts file vertically either column wise/field wise
- `$ cut -[cfd] [filename]`
 - -c columns/characters
 - -f field number
 - -d field delimiter/seperator
- **`$ cut -c2-5 sample`**
 - cuts columns 2 to 5 from the file sample

Filters

- `$ cut -c1,2 file`
 - Cuts 1st and 2nd characters from file
- `$ cut -d" " -f1-2 file`
 - Cuts first 2 fields of the file
- `$ cut -c2- names`
 - Starts cutting from 2nd char to the end of line

Filters

- **paste**: merges lines of specified files and display onto standard output
 - `$ paste -d[field separator] [list of files]`

- **sort**: ordering text files
 - `$ sort filename`

e.g. `$ sort +3 -4 emp`

Sorts emp file as per 4th column

`$ sort -t":" +3 -4 emp`

Sorts emp file as per 4th field

`$ sort -t":" +3.3 -4.5 file`

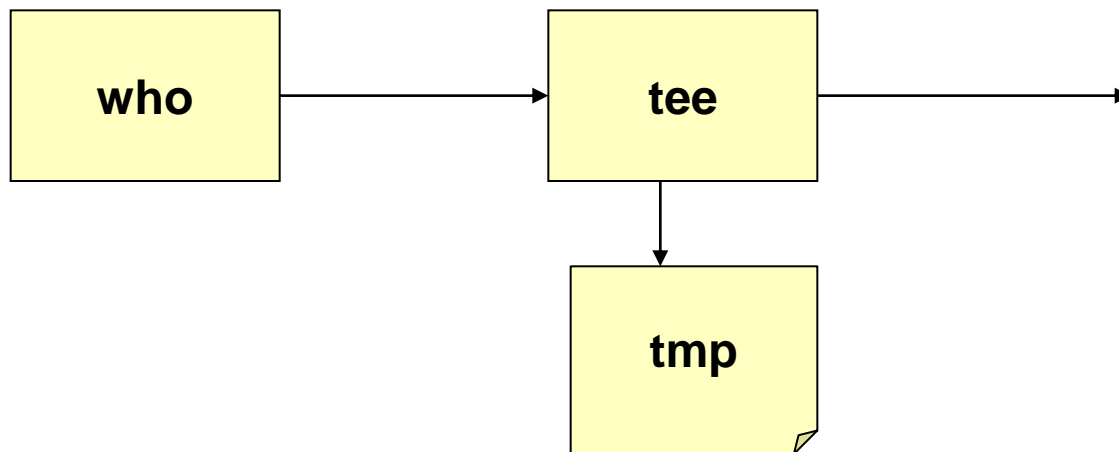
Sorts emp file as per 4th and 5th columns of 4th field

Filters

- **uniq**: removes duplicate lines from a sorted file
 - `$ uniq -[dcf] [file]`
 - d only print duplicate lines
 - c prefix lines with number of occurrences
 - f2 avoid comparing first two fields
- **nl**: Displays file contents along with line nos.
 - `$ nl -[options] [files]`

Filters

- **tee**: takes input from some command and generates two outputs. One is redirected to a file and other to standard output or next command
e.g. `$who | tee tmp`



Filters

- **tr**: translating Characters

\$ tr [options] < [file]

-d: deletes specified characters

-cd: do not delete specified characters

-s: substitute multiple occurrences of a character by single occurrence.

- **\$ tr "abc" "ABC" < samp**: replaces all occurrences of a with A, b with B, c with C

Command Substitution

- One command can be used as an argument to another command
 - `$echo The date today is `date``
 - `$echo "There are `ls |wc -l` files"`

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UNIX Shells

- Bourne Shell
- Korn Shell
- C Shell
- tc Shell
- Bourne Again Shell

Bourne Shell

- Original UNIX shell program
- Widely used, written by Steve Bourne
- Start Bourne Shell by typing “sh” or “/bin/sh” in the command prompt
 - This does not spawn a new shell window
 - This just changes the current shell to Bourne shell
- Supports conditional branching in the form of if / then / else statements
- Supports case statements and loops (for, while, until)
- Uses “\$” as the prompt

Korn Shell

- A newer variation of Bourne shell
- Originally written by David Korn; copyrighted by AT&T
- Programming structure similar to Bourne, but more interactive
- Adds features not available in Bourne shell
- Korn shell not a standard UNIX offering; type **ksh** or **/bin/ksh** at the shell prompt
- A public domain version of Korn shell – **pdksh**

C Shell

- A commonly used shell
- Programming structure very similar to the C programming language
- Uses “%” as prompt
- Supports all features of Bourne shell; more natural syntax for programming
- More interactive than Bourne shell, with additional features that were not there in older shells
- Configuration controlled by the .rc and .login files

tc Shell

- A modern variation of the C Shell
- Reads the same configuration files as C Shell
- tcsh contains command line editing keystrokes that the C Shell doesn't
- *Modern* conveniences that the C Shell lacks

Bourne-Again Shell

- A variation of Bourne Shell
- Commonly used in Linux; widely available in other UNIX distributions
- Uses “\$” as the prompt
- Type **bash** at the shell prompt to start Bourne-Again shell
- Behavior and environment controlled by the `.bashrc` file, which is a hidden file in the Home directory

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Environment Variables

- Variables set by the system to control the UNIX system – some during the boot sequence, and some after logging in
- Also called System Variables
- The **set** statement displays the complete list of System Variables
- Built-in variable names are defined in Upper Case

Environment Variables (Contd..)

- **PATH:** instructs the Shell about the route it should follow to locate any executable command
- **HOME:** On login, UNIX normally places the user in a directory named after the login name
- **MAIL:** determines where all incoming mails addressed to a user are to be stored
- **PS1 and PS2:** PS1 is a command prompt and PS2 is a multi-line command string
- **SHELL:** determines the type of shell that a user sees on logging in

Note: There are other environment variables also. We have discussed only the important ones here

Profile

- `.profile` (`.bash_profile` in Linux): the script executed during login time
- The `.profile` must be located in your home directory, and it is executed after `/etc/profile`, the universal profile for all users
- Universal environment settings are kept by the administrator in `/etc/profile` so that they are available to all users

Setting Environment Variables

- Assigning value to a variable sets an environment variable temporarily
- For example:
 \$ x = 50
 This sets the value 50 to variable x

Setting Environment Variables (Contd..)

- Variables are lost when the user exits the Shell
- To set variables permanently, add them in configuration files (as discussed earlier)
- **unset** command erases the value of a variable
- For example:
 \$ unset x
 This causes variable x to have no set value

Export

- By default, the values stored in shell variables are local to the shell
 - Values of variables not available in a child-shell
- Shells can export these variable values recursively to all child processes, so that once defined, they are available globally
- Use the **export** command for this

Export (Contd..)

```
$ x = hello
```

```
$ export x
```

```
$ sh
```

```
$ echo $x
```

```
hello
```

Summary

- In this session, we have covered:
 - File comparison Commands
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