

LECTURE 2: LINUX BASICS

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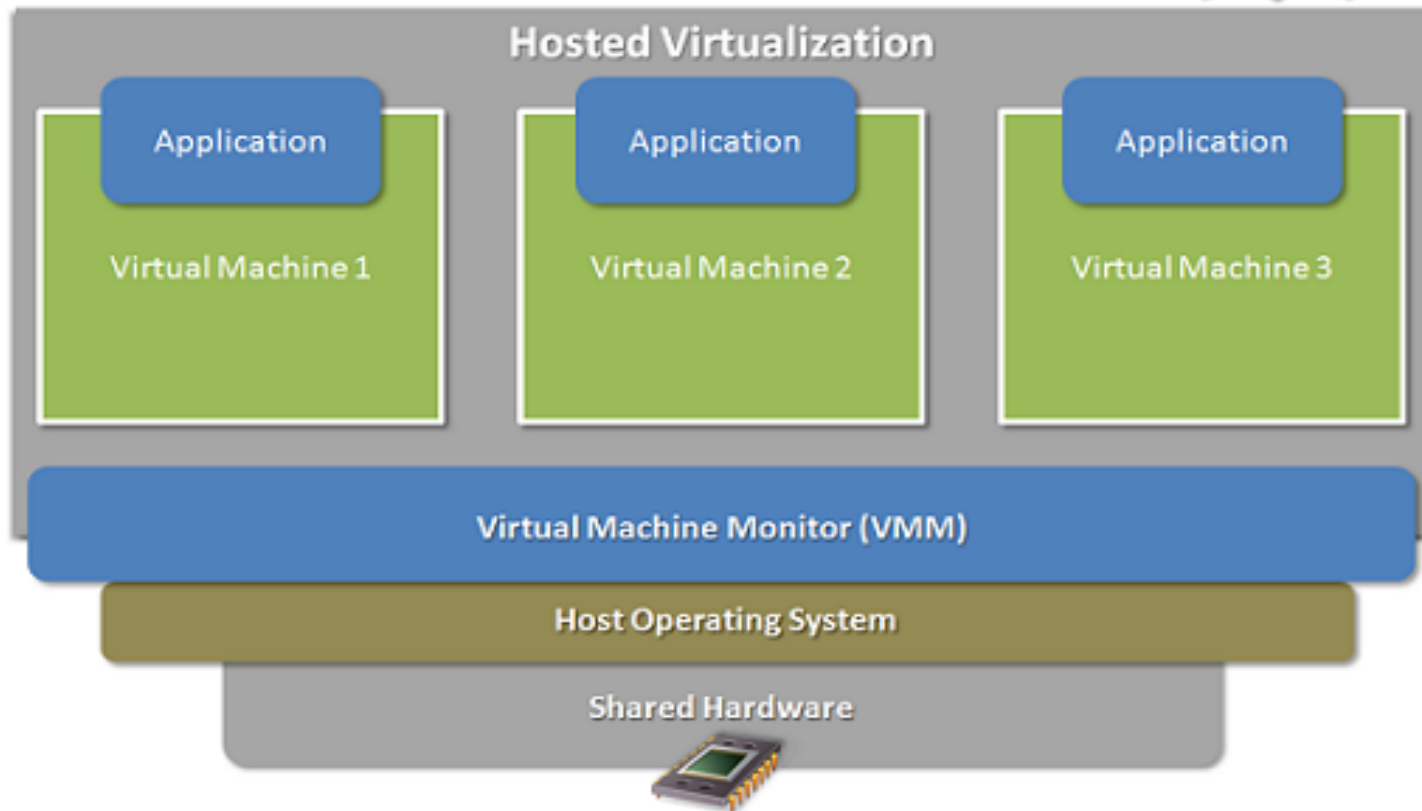
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Hosted Virtualization

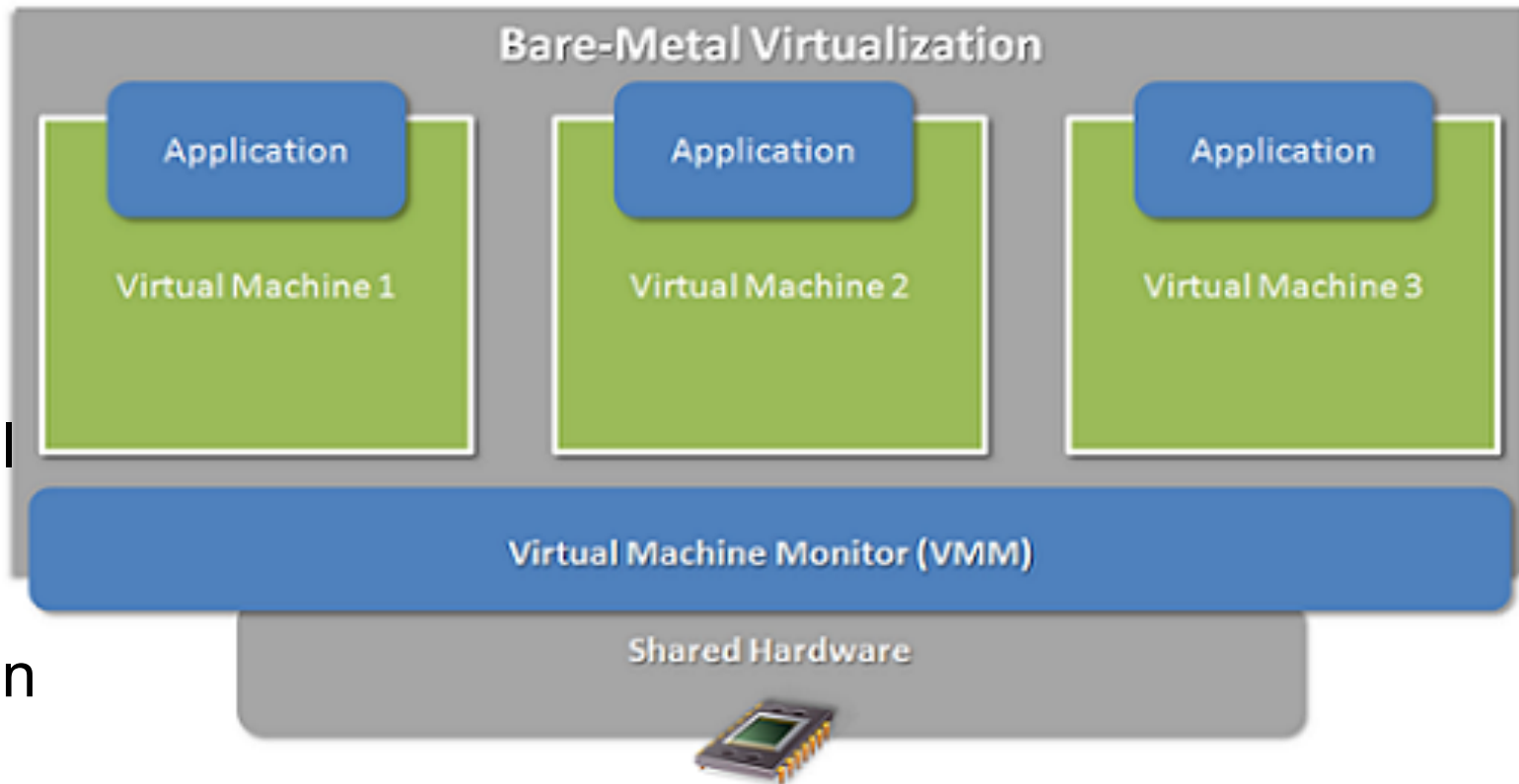
Recommended technique for ECPE 170



Bare-Metal Virtualization

More efficient, but not as easy to install.

The virtual machine monitor acts like an operating system itself!



Fire-up your VMs for Linux Tutorial!

COLLABORATE WITH ONE STUDENT



Common goals of an Operating System

File Management

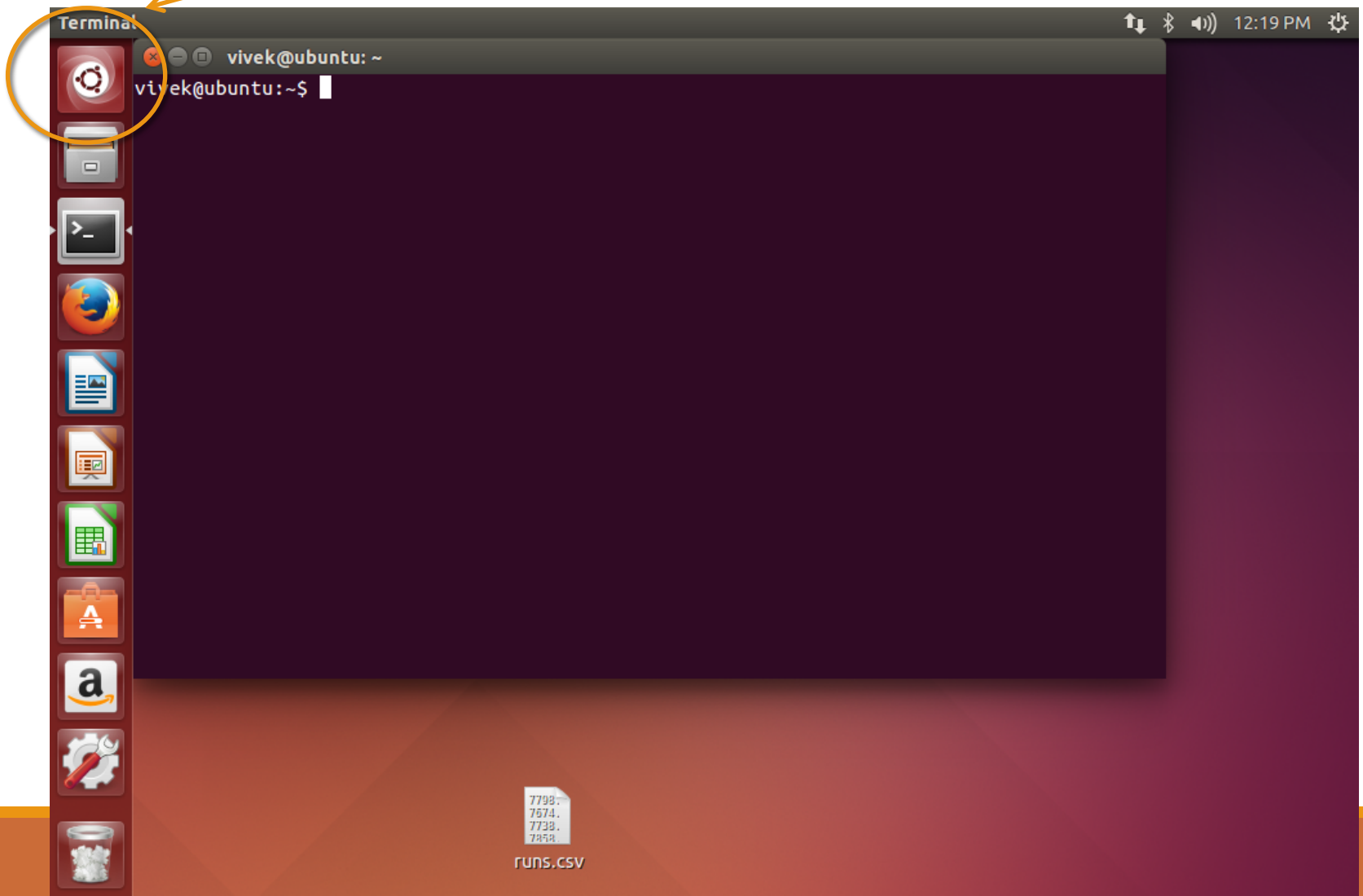
Process Management

Memory Management

1. The command line

Terminal: A text-based interface that accepts your commands.

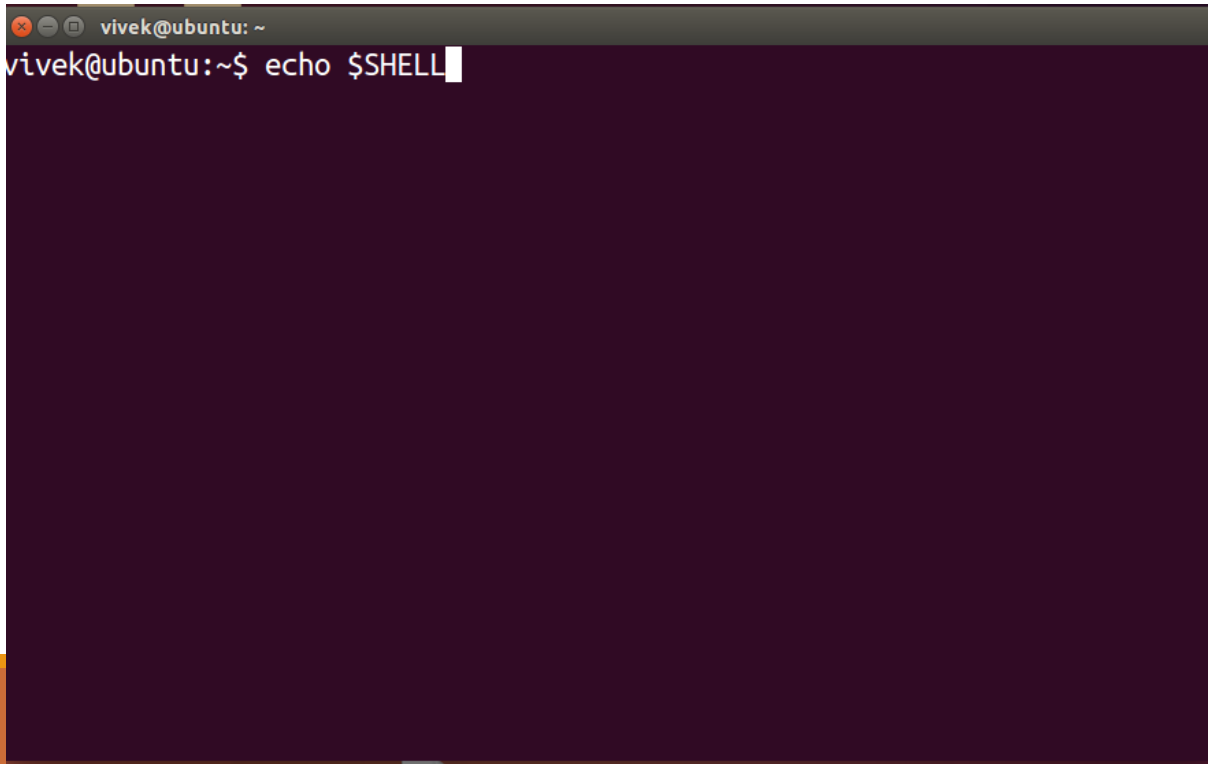
To open terminal: Dash -> Search for Terminal



Problem 1 - Which shell are you using?

A shell is a user program that defines how your terminal is going to behave for input commands

Many types: sh, bash (Bourne again), C syntax motivated: csh, tsh, etc.

A terminal window with a dark purple background. The title bar shows 'vivek@ubuntu: ~'. The prompt is 'vivek@ubuntu:~\$' followed by the command 'echo \$SHELL' and a cursor. The rest of the terminal is empty.

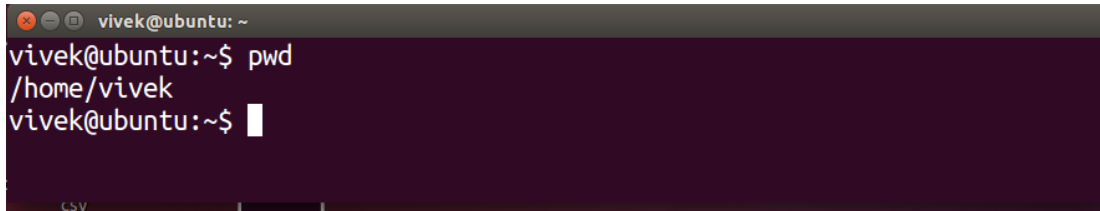
```
vivek@ubuntu: ~  
vivek@ubuntu:~$ echo $SHELL
```


2. Basic Navigation

Problem 2 – Navigations skills

a. Where are we?

`pwd` – print working directory



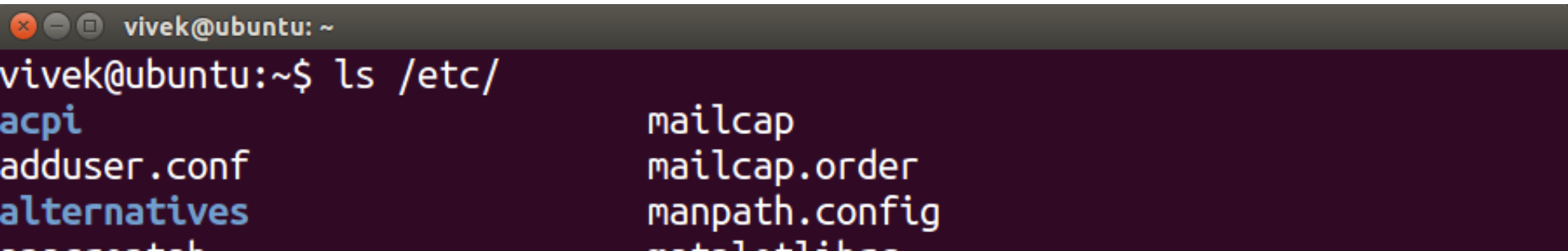
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vivek@ubuntu: ~  
vivek@ubuntu:~$ pwd  
/home/vivek  
vivek@ubuntu:~$
```

b. Listing items in the current location

`ls`– list working directory

`ls [options] [location]`

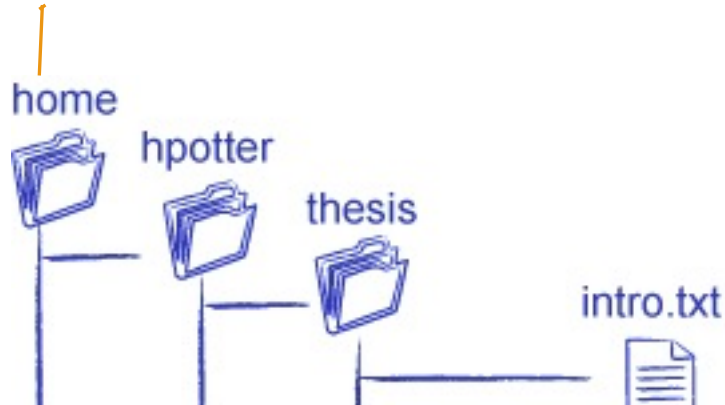
List the first 5 files/directories of `/etc/`



```
vivek@ubuntu: ~  
vivek@ubuntu:~$ ls /etc/  
acpi mailcap  
adduser.conf mailcap.order  
alternatives manpath.config  
...
```

Navigation Skills continued

/ is root



Absolute path:

- `/home/hpotter/thesis/intro.txt`

Relative path:

- If I am already in `/home/hpotter/`
- `addresses.html`

```
vivek@ubuntu: ~
vivek@ubuntu: ~ x vivek@ubuntu: ~/Desktop x
vivek@ubuntu:~$ ls /home/vivek/Rotoscope/
```

```
vivek@ubuntu: ~
vivek@ubuntu: ~ x vivek@ubuntu: ~/Desktop x
vivek@ubuntu:~$ ls Rotoscope/
CMakeCache.txt      CMakeLists.txt  hello.cpp        MATLAB_ROTO
CMakeFiles          Fred.mp4        Makefile         roto
cmake_install.cmake hello           Makefile_custom  rotoscope.cpp
vivek@ubuntu:~$
```

Navigation Skills continued

~: Tilde sign refers to your home directory. You can perform either:

```
you@Ubuntu:~$ : ls /home/you/Documents  
or
```

```
you@Ubuntu:~$ : ls ~/Documents
```

.: Dot sign refers to current directory. Try:

```
you@Ubuntu:~$ : ls .
```

..: Double dot refers to the parent directory of your current directory. Try:

```
you@Ubuntu:~$ : ls ..
```

Problem 3: move around

cd: Change directory

```
cd [location]
```

Exercise: The `root` directory's `etc` directory has an `init.d` directory. Go to that directory. List top 4 items and return back to your home directory.

Problem 4: Know more about Linux commands

hidden files have a “dot” before them. Eg: `.secret`, `.bashrc`

type `ls`. Do you see any hidden files?

`man` command stands for manual. It provides information on a particular command

`man <command to look up>`

Using the `man` command, find out what option you need with `ls` to list the hidden files

How can you list files sorted on file size using the `ls` command?

Problem 5: Making directory, copying and moving files

```
mkdir [options] <Directory's Name>
```

Problem 5: Create a directory called `Linux_tutorial`.
Change to that directory.

1. Create a blank file using the `touch` command: `touch example1`

2. Fill something in it by executing this command:

```
You@Ubuntu:~/Linux_tutorial$: echo "Bleh ble bleh"
```

```
>example1 → redirecting command: put to file
```

3. Copy `example1` to `example2`:

```
You@Ubuntu:~/Linux_tutorial$: cp example1 example2
```

4. Move `example2` to home directory using `mv` command:

```
You@Ubuntu:~/Linux_tutorial$:
```

Problem 6: Removing files and directories

```
rmdir [options] <Directory's Name>
```

```
rm [options] <file's Name>
```

You can also force remove a directory using rm:

```
rm -rf <directory>
```

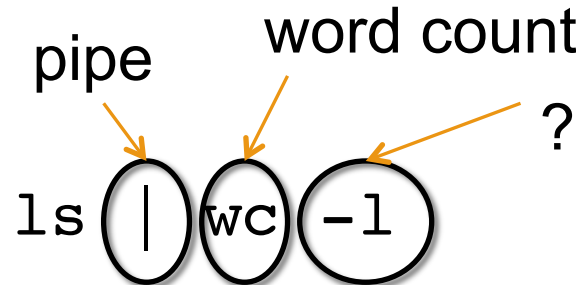
Remove example2.

DO NOT TRY: `rm -rf ~`

Problem 7: Fun with piping and some wildcards

Change to `/etc/` directory and count the number of files in that directory. You have only 60 seconds. Tick tock!

Try this: `you@ubuntu:/etc$ ls | wc -l`



Sometimes you can recall only a few letters of a file's name. Use wildcards to let the terminal simplify it for you.

- `*` -- represents zero or more characters
- `?` – represents a single character
- `[]` – represents a range of characters

Problem 7 -- Wildcards

Example: In `etc` directory, to list all files with extension `conf`:
`you@ubuntu:/etc$ ls *.conf`

Example: In `etc` directory, to list all files such that second letter is `d` and extension `conf`:
`you@ubuntu:/etc$ ls ?d*.conf`

Problem: List all files with `.conf` extension that contain the word 'switch' in their names.

Permissions

Linux provides you privacy with files via permissions:

r read – the contents of the file can be viewed

w write – something can be written to the file

x execute – the file can be executed if an executable or script

Permission is granted to three types of people:

owner – the one who created the file, also called user (u)

group – the file belongs to a single group (g)

others – everyone else (o) but the group or the owner

Problem 8

From wherever you are in your terminal, change to **Linux_tutorial** directory.

- Touch a file `example3`
- Put the string `cat /proc/cpuinfo` into it.
- Perform `ls -l example3` and write output

group has read ,
write permissions, but no execute

a file

```
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vivek vivek 18 Sep 4 14:40 example3
```

owner has read ,
write permissions, but no execute

Problem 9 Changing permissions using `chmod`

try: `./example3`

We change permissions using `chmod [permissions] [path]`

Whose permissions are we changing? `[ugoa]`: owner, group, others, or all

Grant or revoke? `+`: providing `-`: revoking

What are we providing? `r` (read), `w` (write), or `x` (execute)

example: `chmod u+rwx file` #provides read/write/execute to owner

example: `chmod g-x file` #removes executable for group

Problem: Provide yourself (owner) the execute privilege to `example3`. Type `ls`. Output? Do `./example3`. Output?

Here is what happened

You executed/ran an executable

Your in-class participation problem (10 minutes):

- a. what does `cat /proc/cpuinfo` perform? Use Linux tricks learned today and write it.
- b. You executed `echo` command a lot today. What does it perform?
- c. What are `sudo` and `apt-get` commands for?

You are ready to tackle Lab 1!

Note on Labs

Labs have (at most) two graded elements:

1. Pre-Lab “checkpoint” – quick verification that pre-lab *appears* to be done

1. Due somewhere in the middle or the first day of the lab

2. Lab Report

1. Submit all source code used with lab report

2. Due by posted date after lab

Lab Reports

Not really “reports”, more like “worksheets”

Create in LibreOffice (aka *OpenOffice*) using example template on website

Export in **PDF format**

Submit

- Via Canvas *Assignments* section for Lab 1 only!
- Via Version control for Lab 2 and beyond

Upcoming Schedule

Today

- **Lab 1 – Linux Basics**

Thursday

- **Lab 2 – Version Control**

Deadlines

- **Lab 1 Report (Canvas) – 27th January, 2018 5 AM**
- **Lab 2 Report (Version Control) – 30th January, 2018 5 AM**

Now learn more by performing Lab 1

WORK AT LEAST FOR NEXT HALF HOUR. AFTER
THAT YOU ARE FREE TO GO