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C Programming Introduction

**week 1: Setting up
environment**



Introduction

- C Programming practice in UNIX (LINUX) environment
- Methods to write and execute simple programs in C language
- Basic grammar
- Usage of functions in standard libraries.

Some Rules to be Followed

- Attendance is mandatory.
- Regular assignments should be done fully in the lab class.
- If you face any problems catching up, draw the attention of one of the teachers.



Environment and tools

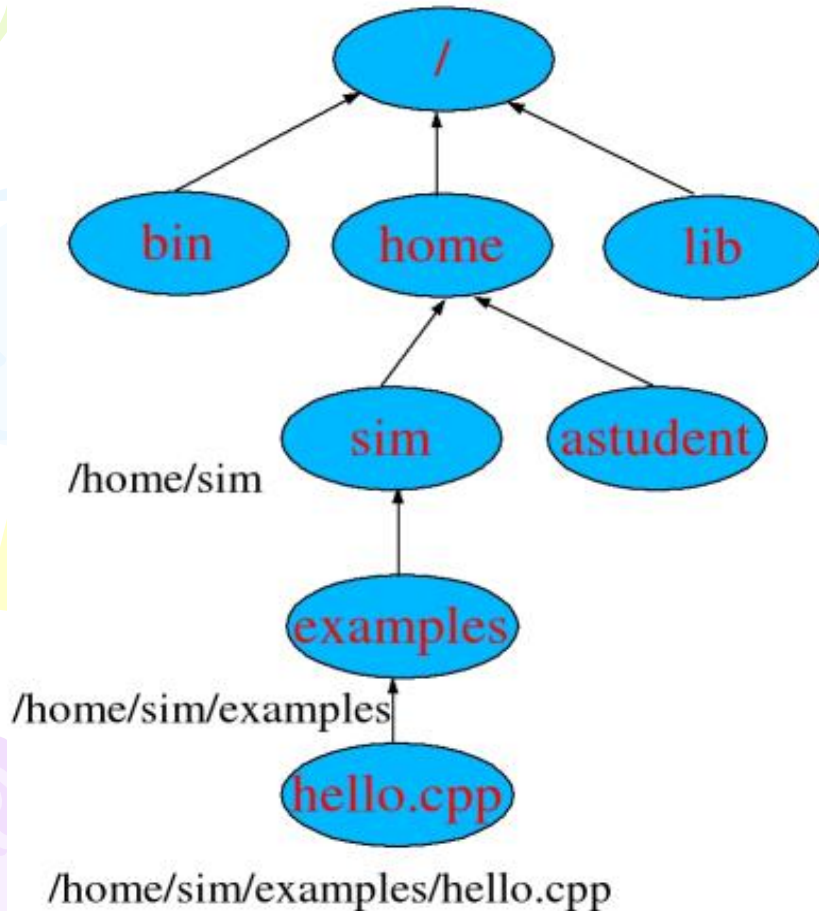
- Operating System: Linux Fedora 8.
- Programming language: C
- Compiler: gcc
- Editor : emacs
- Window manager: KDE / Gnome

Linux login

- You have already your account and password
- Use them to open a working session, then setting up your directory, editor and compiler.



Linux file system



- Structured like an upside-down tree.
- Directories / sub-directories: Special files used for grouping. The Root directory is /
- Each user has a home directory: ~ or home/userid

Important Directories and Files

- The root - /
 - /root – Home directory for root
 - /boot – static files of the boot loader
 - /bin – files needed to boot the system
 - /sbin – /usr/sbin
system admin. utilities
 - /dev – device files
 - /etc – admin. and configuration files



Open a command window

- Click on Terminal icon (or press Alt-F2: type xterm or konsole)
- Then you can use Linux commands.
- You may create other windows from the first one by typing xterm &



Some Linux Commands

- ls: Lists the directory contents.
- pwd: Show current working directory.
- cd: Change working directory.
- mkdir : Make directories.
- cp : Copy files and directories.
- cat: view the content of a file.
- mv : Move / rename files.
- man: Display on-line manual pages.
- which: print the directory contain the command.

```
which gcc
```



Exercise

- Go to your home directory
- Create a directory named Cprogramming
- Then a subdirectory of Cprogramming: week1
- In this session, your files will be stored in this directory.
- And in the `~/Cprogramming/week2` for the next session, and so on.
- Organize well your files in each week during this course.

Steps in Running a Program

C program
on paper
or in your
head

**Emacs
Editor**

A file on
disc, say
`hedspi.c`

**C Compiler
gcc**

The
executable
file `a.out`

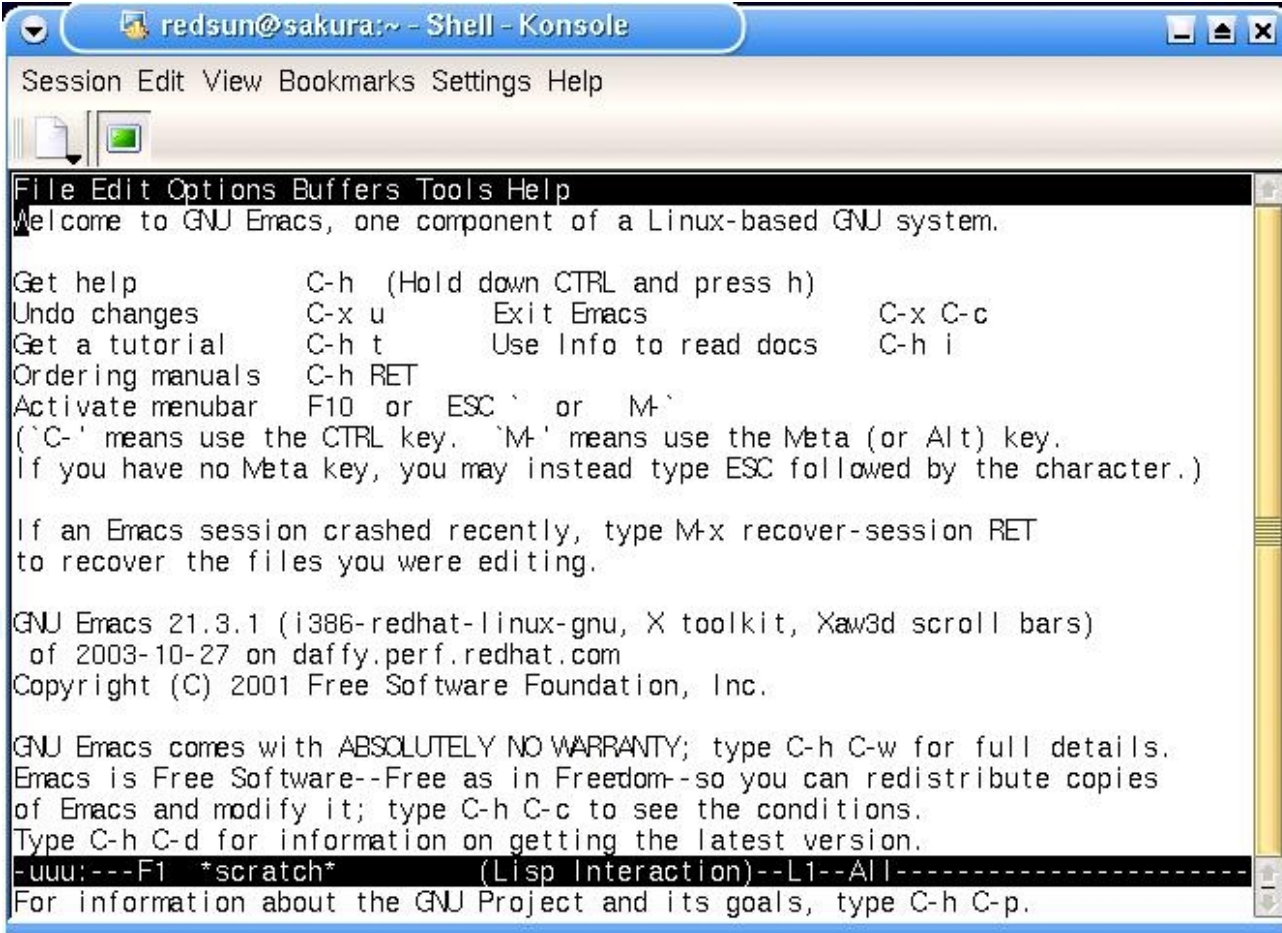
Library



Start the emacs Editor

- Select a window and enter the command
emacs & or emacs -nw
- To use **Emacs** to edit a file, type:
emacs filename
- An emacs window is created. You can select the font size. You can now type in a program.
- To close the emacs window
 - Select menu Files of emacs
 - Select exit emacs

GUI of Emacs



```
redsun@sakura:~ - Shell - Konsole
Session Edit View Bookmarks Settings Help
File Edit Options Buffers Tools Help
Welcome to GNU Emacs, one component of a Linux-based GNU system.

Get help          C-h (Hold down CTRL and press h)
Undo changes     C-x u      Exit Emacs          C-x C-c
Get a tutorial   C-h t      Use Info to read docs C-h i
Ordering manuals C-h RET
Activate menubar F10 or ESC ` or M`
(`C-' means use the CTRL key. `M-' means use the Meta (or Alt) key.
If you have no Meta key, you may instead type ESC followed by the character.)

If an Emacs session crashed recently, type M-x recover-session RET
to recover the files you were editing.

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Type C-h C-d for information on getting the latest version.
-uuu:---F1 *scratch* (Lisp Interaction)--L1--All-----
For information about the GNU Project and its goals, type C-h C-p.
```



GUI of Emacs

- The display in **Emacs** is divided into three basic areas.
 - The top area is called the text window. The text window takes up most of the screen, and is where the document being edited appears.
 - Below the text window, there is a single mode line (in reverse type). The mode line gives information about the document, and about the **Emacs** session.
 - The bottom line of the **Emacs** display is called the minibuffer. The minibuffer holds space for commands that you give to **Emacs**, and displays status information.



Emacs Commands

- **Emacs** uses **Control** and **Escape** (or **Alt**) characters to distinguish editor commands from text to be inserted in the buffer.
 - ***Control-x*** means to hold down the control key, and type the letter ***x***.
(You don't need to capitalize the ***x***, or any other control character)
 - ***[ESCAPE] x*** means to press the escape key down, release it, and then type ***x***.
 - Abbreviation: C-x for Ctrl-X and M-x means Meta-x

Emacs commands for a file

- Find and open a file
 - ***C-x C-f*** file_name
 - You can use TAB key to view the list of file in current directory
 - When you type a character, all files whose name start with this character will be displayed.
- Save a file as you are working on it, type:
 - ***C-x C-s***
- Exit **emacs**: ***C-x C-c***

Moving Around

- The arrow keys on the keyboard work for moving around one line or one character at a time.
- Some navigation commands:
 - Move to the Top of the file: ***M-<***
 - Move to the End of the file: ***M->***
 - Next screen (page down): ***C-v***
 - Previous screen (page up): ***M-v***
 - Start of the current line: ***C-a***
 - End of the current line: ***C-e***
 - Forward one word: ***M-f***
 - Backward one word: ***M-b***



Type Text

- Once you move the cursor to the location in the file where you want to do some editing, you can just start typing - just like in an ordinary word processor.
- The delete key should work to remove characters and inserted text will push existing text over.



Cut, Copy, and Paste

- You can delete or move blocks of text.
 - First move the cursor to the beginning (or end) of the block of text.
 - Then set a mark with: ***C-spacebar***
 - Now move to the other end of the block of text and **Delete** or **Copy** the block:
 - Delete: ***C-w***
 - Copy: ***M-w***
 - To **Paste** a copied block, move to the new location and insert with : ***C-y***

Another useful commands

- C-g: keyboard-quit (stop a command which is taking too long)
- C-x 1 One window (i.e., show only one window)
- C-x 2 Splits the screen into two windows
- C-x o Move the cursor to the bottom window.
- C-x b Switch to buffer
- C-s search a string

Exercise 1.2 : Emacs Configuration

- In the Emacs command line, find and open `~/.emacs`
- Add the following line to configure Emacs as you want (use the command as much as possible).
- Set font

```
(global-font-lock-mode 1 t)
```
- Set time and Date

```
(setq display-time-day-and-date t)
```

Exercise: Emacs Configuration

- Set working mode for C coding

```
(defun linux-c-mode ())
```

```
"C mode with adjusted defaults for use  
with the Linux kernel."
```

```
(interactive)
```

```
(c-mode)
```

```
(c-set-style "K&R")
```

```
(setq tab-width 8)
```

```
(setq indent-tabs-mode t)
```

```
(setq c-basic-offset 8)
```

- Save the change, and restart emacs

Exercise 1.3: Edit your first program

- Use emacs to open a new file name hello.c in your ~/Cprogramming/week1
- Enter the following line:

```
/* Your name – your class */  
/* This is my first program in C */  
  
#include <stdio.h>  
  
main()  
{  
    printf("Welcome to C Programming Introduction.\n");  
}
```

- Save file.

Exercise 1.4 Creating simple algorithm

- Write an algorithm for choosing clothes to wear for different activities involving different weather conditions (e.g., going to the beach when it is hot, skiing in the snow, etc.). The algorithm should make it clear how the choice of clothes depends on the weather and the activity, and should be able to cope with a range of weather conditions.
- Hint: Use selection.

Exercise 1.5 Creating simple algorithm

- Suppose that you have been given a \$100 music store gift voucher. Write an algorithm for buying some CDs with the voucher.
- Hint: Use selection and iteration.