

Cyber@UC Meeting 99

// Linux Basics //

If You're New!

- Join our Slack: cyberatuc.slack.com
- **SIGN IN!** (*Slackbot will post the link in slack*)
- Feel free to get involved with one of our committees:
Content Finance Public Affairs Outreach Recruitment Lab



Announcements / Upcoming Events

- **Smash Tournament in lab after the meeting**
- Mason High School Hack club needs help with Cyber Month
 - Tuesdays 2-5 The rest of the Month
- 9.20 NSA Codebreaker opens
- 9.21 CBTS CTF
- 9.24 Northrop Grumman Recruitment Event
 - More information to be distributed in Slack
- 9.27 PicoCTF 2019 opens
- 9.28 OSU CTF Registration Closes
- 10.11 GE Aviation SOC visit
- 10.16 NSA Visit
- Battelle Visiting us later this semester



Weekly News

Nuclear Crypto Mining

- Ukrainian nuclear power plant employees hooked up plant to internet
- Attackers might have pivoted through network
- On the admin network and not industrial network
- Ukrainian Secret Service found 11 RX 470 cards in two pc's

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/employees-connect-nuclear-plant-to-the-internet-so-they-can-mine-cryptocurrency/>



Eerie Siri

- Apple hired contractors to listen to Siri conversations for “grading”
- Moving forward users have to opt into program
- Include drug deals, sex, and domestic abuse
- Amazon employees listen to 1000 audio clips a shift

<https://threatpost.com/apple-updates-privacy-policies-after-siri-audio-recording-backlash/147780/>



Twitter Hacks

- Twitter CEO's account retweeted "nazi germany did nothing wrong"
- SIM swap attack
 - Bribe a cell provider to switch the SIM number
 - Intercept 2FA messages
- Tweets can be sent through text message
- Claimed by "Chuckling Squad"

<https://www.wired.com/story/jack-dorsey-twitter-hacked/>



Other Stories

- <https://news.bitcoin.com/how-big-hydro-power-partners-with-bitcoin-miners-to-prevent-energy-waste/>
- https://www.theregister.co.uk/2019/08/29/google_bounties_in_popular_apps/
- <https://www.zdnet.com/article/google-launches-bounty-program-to-spot-mis-uses-of-google-api-chrome-and-android-user-data/>





Linux

Agenda

- I wasn't here last week!
- What ~~the fuck is this shit~~ is Linux?
- Where is Linux?
- Why is ~~Gamora~~ Linux?
- Why isn't Linux?
- Basic Terminal Commands
- File Hierarchy Standard / where is System32?
- Get help
- Installing useful software (vim) and updates
- More notes on distros

I wasn't here last week!

- Shame on you
- Previously, we created Linux virtual machines and went over virtual machine concepts
- Google “Windows Linux Subsystem” and get going so you have Linux
 - Use the most recent Ubuntu version in the Windows store
- All of our meetings are on our YouTube channel CyberAtUC

What is Linux?

- Free/Open-Source Kernel
 - That's the software that an OS actually uses to control the hardware
- Used to build operating systems without reinventing the **fork()**
- Doesn't hide anything from the user by default (unlike Windows/OSX)\
- Open source clone of an old IBM system called Unix
- Mostly C with sprinkles of C++ and Assembly
- Mostly POSIX compliant
 - That means it's way faster to move a codebase between OS versions than other systems usually are
- Originally made by one programmer in his free time (Linus Torvalds)
- You can download this shit right now (please don't)
 - <https://github.com/torvalds/linux>

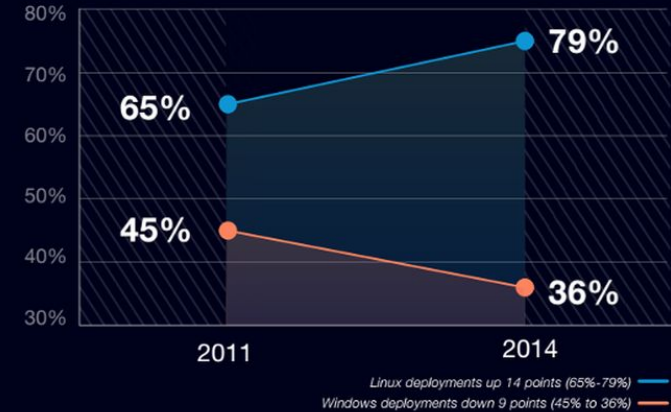
Where is Linux?

- Everywhere
- No really, it's everywhere
 - Our Lab
 - Chrome OS / Android (really just Linux with a specific set of libraries)
 - Game consoles (PS3 OtherOS)
 - Servers
 - Supercomputers
 - NASA spaceships
- There are literally companies who cannot hire enough people who know Linux systems skills because it's in such demand

Deployment on Linux vs Windows



Linux Deployments Increase at Expense of Windows



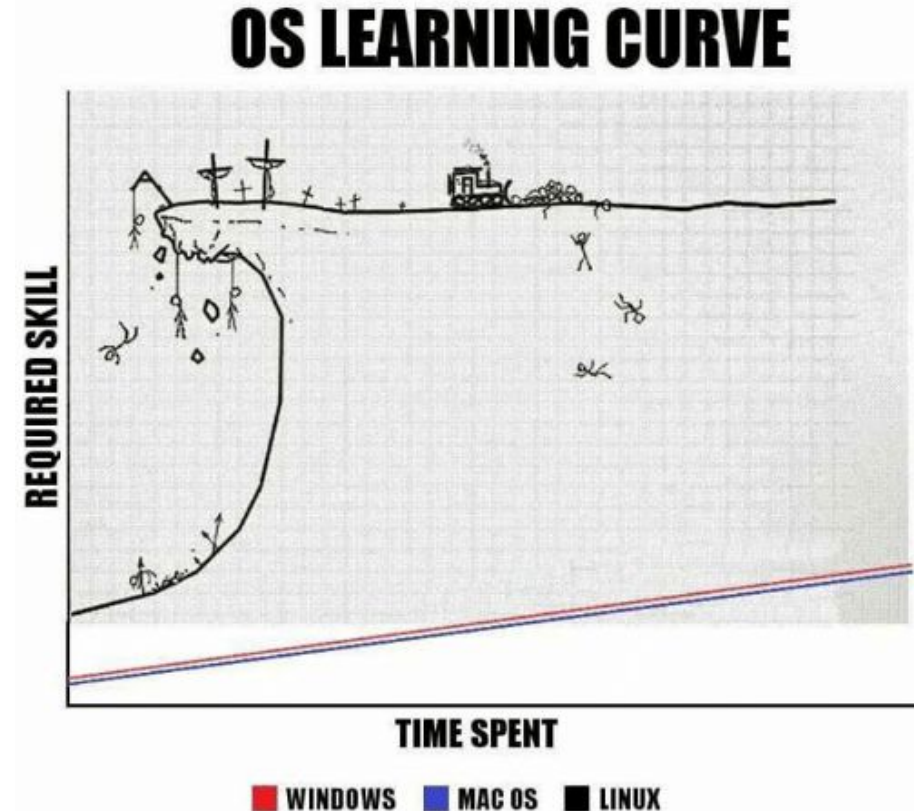
Why is Linux?

- It's free
 - Companies will bend over themselves if they can save the money in the long run per server install
 - Think about how much the 1 Million+ servers that Google would cost if it didn't use a free OS
- It's open source
 - Because companies are using it, they're probably also looking for ways to improve it
 - Anyone who wants to can extend/improve it with really only a little effort
- It's *pure*
 - Being able to instantly have most software that you would ever need immediately install and update itself in seconds by typing a few lines makes Windows update seem suspiciously slow

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 int main(){
4     printf("Hello World!\n");
5 }
aaron@c3po:~$ gcc -o main main.c
aaron@c3po:~$ ./main
Hello World!
aaron@c3po:~$ █
```


Why isn't Linux?

- Not usually a consumer go-to unless the consumer is a highly technical person
- Requires learning how to use the command line to be effective
- High initial learning investment



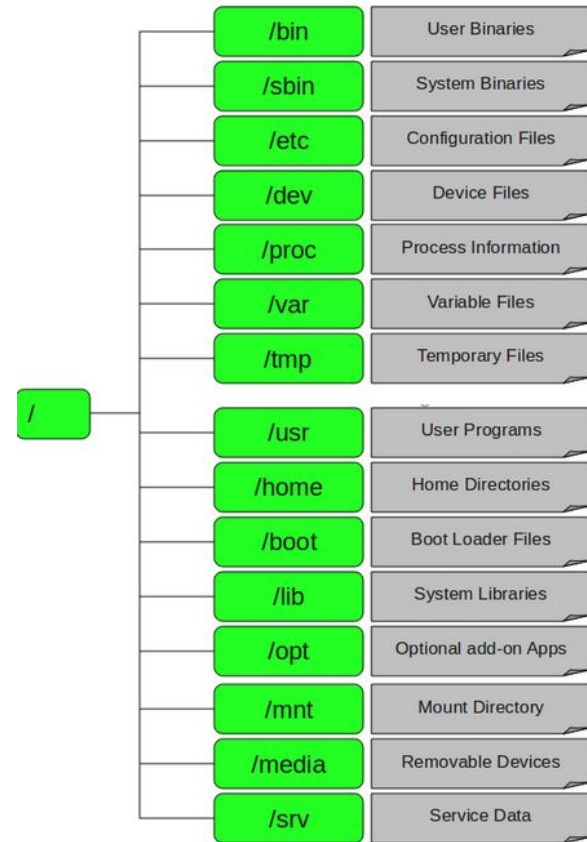
Basic Navigation

- **Open that terminal**
- Where am I?
 - `pwd`
- What's here?
 - `ls [directory]`
- Rename files
 - `mv <old_name> <new_name>`
- Let's go somewhere
 - `cd <directory>`
- Deleting
 - `rm <file>`
 - `rm -r <directory>`
- **! Pressing TAB usually autocompletes whatever you are trying to type !**

```
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world$ pwd
/home/aaron/programming/python/hello_world
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world$ ls
helo.py  src
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world$ mv helo.py hello.py
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world$ cd src/
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world/src$ mv ../hello.py .
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world/src$ rm hello.py
aaron@c3po:~/programming/python/hello_world/src$ ls
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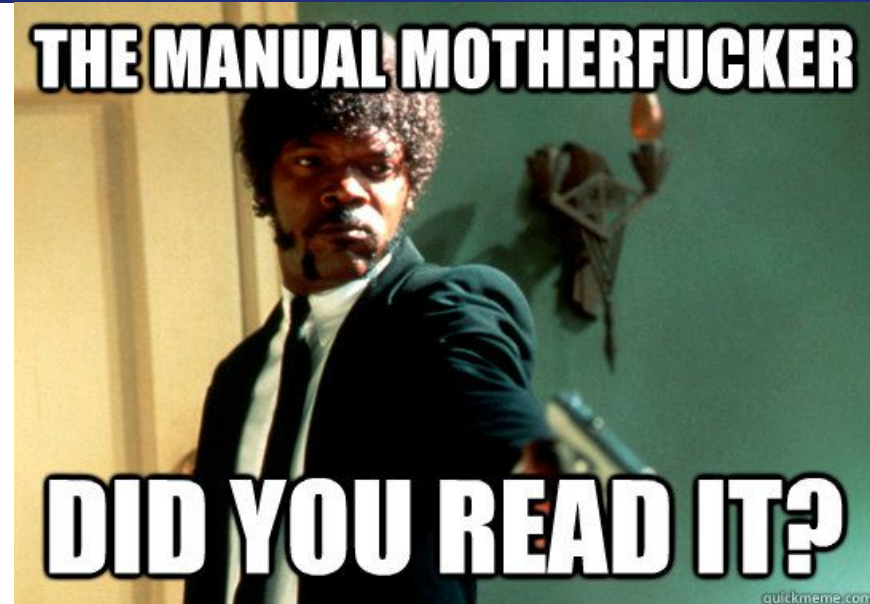
File Hierarchy Standard and more terms

- **/** - the root of the drive
- **root** - “admin” equivalent user
- Multiple Drives are put into the same hierarchy and can be viewed with **lsblk**
- Every device connected to the machine will appear as a file in **/dev/**
- **~** is usually a shortcut for **/home/<username>/** for the current user
 - Ex **cd ~** should take you home



Get help (Manual Pages)

- RTFM
- **man <program>** - the manual command, 90% of programs have a page
 - **man man**
 - 99% of the C programming language on Linux is also there
- **<program> --help**
 - For the remaining programs and for the short help message



Installing useful software and updates

- Package manager is like the app store
 - Debian = APT
 - RHEL/CentOS = yum
- Update package list
 - `apt update`
- Install updates
 - `apt upgrade`
- Search
 - `apt search <package_name>`
- More detail
 - `apt show <package_name>`
- Install
 - `apt install <package_name>`



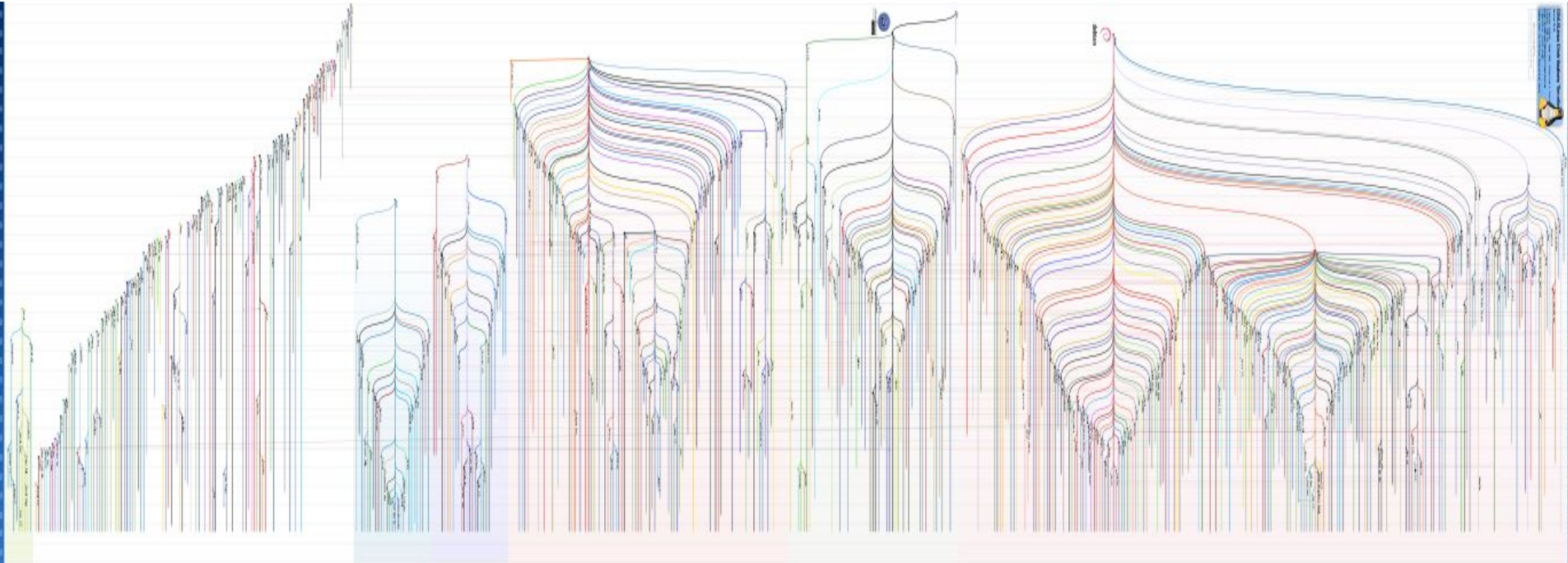
VIM

- It's a command line text editor
- Exit = ESC + :q + ENTER
- Three main modes
 - Normal (Command)
 - Run commands
 - Insert
 - Writing text
 - Visual
 - Highlighting text
- VERY powerful text editor
- Breakup with that whimpy mouse



Linux Distributions

- There's a lot of distributions



Linux Distributions (cont.)

The Few that we care about

- Debian: a simple base OS
- Ubuntu: based on Debian, tries to be more user/beginner friendly
- Kali: also Debian based, comes with a lot of “Hacking” tools

Some More:

- Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL): Super stable server distro, Fedora based
- CentOS: Stable, infrequent releases
- Arch: Less configured than other systems, helps with in-depth knowledge, fosters deep knowledge about your packages, for advanced users willing to see their stuff break all the time (Clif)