CSC 4304 - Systems Programming Fall 2010

LECTURE - I
INTRODUCTION

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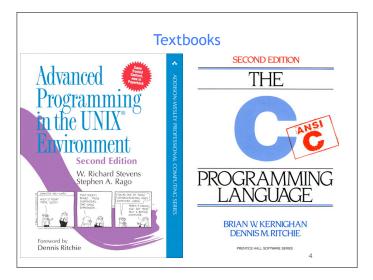
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## Logistics

- Course web page: <a href="http://www.cct.lsu.edu/~kosar/csc4304">http://www.cct.lsu.edu/~kosar/csc4304</a>
  - All lecture notes will be available online
  - As well as homework assignments, projects and other important course information
- Course mailing list: <a href="mailto:cs4304@cct.lsu.edu">cs4304@cct.lsu.edu</a>
  - Important course announcements including projects, homework assignments, and exams will be sent to this mailing list
  - Provide me with your active email address to be added to the class mailing list

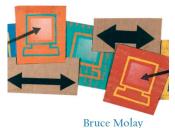
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# Recommended Text

Understanding Unix/Linux Programming

A Guide to Theory and Practice



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## **Grading**

• The end-of-semester grades will be composed of:

- Pop Quizzes : 5% (-5) - Homework : 10% (5) - Projects : 30% (3) - Midterm : 25% (1) - Final : 30% (1)

You are expected to attend the classes and actively contribute via asking and/or answering questions.

#### Passive vs Active Learning

#### After 2 weeks, we tend to remember:

#### Passive learning

- •10% of what we read
- •20% of what we hear
- •30% of what we see (pictures)
- •50% of what we hear and see

#### **Active learning**

- •70% of what we say
- •90% of what we say and do

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### How to Become an Active Learner

- · Recall prior materials
- · Answer a question
- Guess the solution first (even guessing wrong will help you to remember the right approach)
- · Work out the next step before you have to read on
- Think of an application
- Imagine that you were the professor and think about how you would give a test on the subject material so that key concepts and results will be checked.
- Summarize a lecture, a set of home work or a lab in your own words concisely.

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#### Rules

- No late homework/project submissions accepted!
- You are encouraged to bring your laptops to the class to go over some of the exercises together.
- · Exams will be closed book.
- You are only responsible from material covered in the class, homework, and projects.
- Academic dishonesty will be treated seriously.

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## INTRODUCTION

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### What is Systems Programming?

- Programming where the software and hardware meet or where the application interfaces with the operating system (OS).
- Includes issues such as: resource management (CPU and memory), process scheduling, concurrency and performance.

### What Expect to Learn?

- Using the C programming language, its constructs and grammar, to create system software.
- Usage of makefiles, linking, object files, loading, symbol resolution, shared and static libraries, debugging, and execution of system programs.
- UNIX OS concepts such as: process, program, process groups, signals, running programs, process control, address space, user and kernel modes, system calls, and context switching.
- 4. File I/O (i.e. open, close, read, write, seek)
- 5. Using sockets to implement client-server and network programs.
- 6. Using thread execution models (e.g. Posix threads).
- Handle signals and exceptions within a process and to control processes.
- 8. Different approaches of concurrent programming.

## **UNIX BASICS**

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### logon

- ssh classes.csc.lsu.edu -l username
  - or:
- ssh <u>username@classes.csc.lsu.edu</u>
- · passwd: change password
- putty: a free telnet/ssh client
- ls /bin (ls /usr/bin)
- man ...
- text editing: vi, emacs, pico

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#### Vi Editor

- · vi filename
  - a: enter insert mode, after the cursor
  - i: enter insert mode, before the cursor
  - $\,$  O: enter  $insert \,$  mode, above the cursor
  - o: enter *insert* mode, below the cursor
  - r: replace one character under the cursor
  - u: undo the last change to the file.
  - x: delete character under the cursor
  - yy: copy line
  - dd: delete line
  - :w: write
  - :q!: quit without saving changes
  - /keyword : search for the keyword in text
  - :n : go to line number n
- Vi tutorial: http://www.gnulamp.com/vi.html

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#### **Emacs Editor**

- Emacs filename
  - CTRL-d : delete one character
  - CTRL-k : delete one line
  - CTRL-y: paste
  - CTRL-x 2 : split window into 2 (horizontal)
  - CTRL-x 3 : split window into 2 (vertical)
  - CTRL-x o : switch window
  - CTRL-x 1 : kill all other windows
  - CTRL-x u : undo (also CTRL-\_)
  - CTRL-x CTRL-f: open file
  - CTRL-x CTRL-b: open buffer (CTRL-x b: switch to buffer)
  - CTRL-s: search
  - CTRL-x CTRL-s: save file
  - CTRL-x CTRL-c: quit
- Emacs Tutorial: http://www.gnu.org/software/emacs/

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### Files and Directories

- · directory operations
  - ls: list
  - cd: change directory
  - pwd: print working directory
  - mkdir: create directory
  - rmdir: remove directory
- · file operations
  - cp: copy
  - rm: delete
  - mv: move (rename)
  - cat, more, less: examine
- file permissions: rwx rwx rwx

user group others

- chmod 755 filename (or chmod u+r filename) (or chmod u=rwx)

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#### **Processes**

- ps: list currently active user processes
- ps aux: list all active processes in long format
- kill n: kill process with id=n
- kill -9 n : force to kill
- CTRL-z : push to background
- fg : bring to foreground (also fg n: bring nth process)
- top: system utilization information
- time command : calculate time for a given command

## Summary

- UNIX Basics
  - Logging in
  - Text editing
  - File and directory operations
  - Processes



- HW: login to classes server, and try everything we have learned today!
- Read Chapter 1 from Kernighan & Ritchie

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