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RHCSA CERTIFICATION

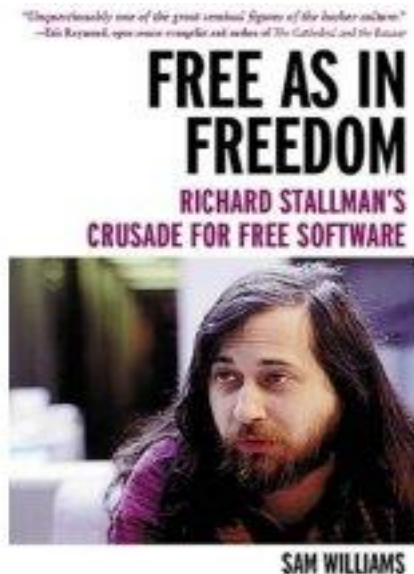
Overview

- What is Unix/Linux?
- History of Linux
- Features Supported Under Linux
- The future of Linux

- In 80's, Microsoft's DOS was the dominated OS for PC
- Apple MAC was better, but expensive
- UNIX was much better, but much, much more expensive. Only for minicomputer for commercial applications
- People was looking for a UNIX based system, which is cheaper and can run on PC
- Both DOS, MAC and UNIX were **proprietary**, i.e., the source code of **their kernel is protected**
- No modification is possible without paying high license fees



Established in 1984 by **Richard Stallman**, who believes that software should be free from restrictions against copying or modification in order to make better and efficient computer programs



GNU is a recursive acronym for “GNU's Not Unix”

Aim at developing a complete Unix-like operating system which is free for copying and modification

Companies make their money by maintaining and distributing the software, e.g. optimally packaging the software with different tools (Redhat, Slackware, Mandrake, SuSE, etc)

Stallman built the first free GNU C Compiler in 1991. But still, an OS was yet to be developed

- A famous professor Andrew Tanenbaum developed **Minix**, a simplified version of UNIX that runs on PC
- Minix is for class teaching only. No intention for commercial use
- In Sept 1991, **Linus Torvalds**, a second year student of Computer Science at the University of Helsinki, developed the preliminary kernel of Linux, known as Linux version 0.0.1



Message from Professor Andrew Tanenbaum

" I still maintain the point that designing a monolithic kernel in 1991 is a fundamental error. Be thankful you are not my student. You would not get a high grade for such a design :-)"



(Andrew Tanenbaum to Linus Torvalds)

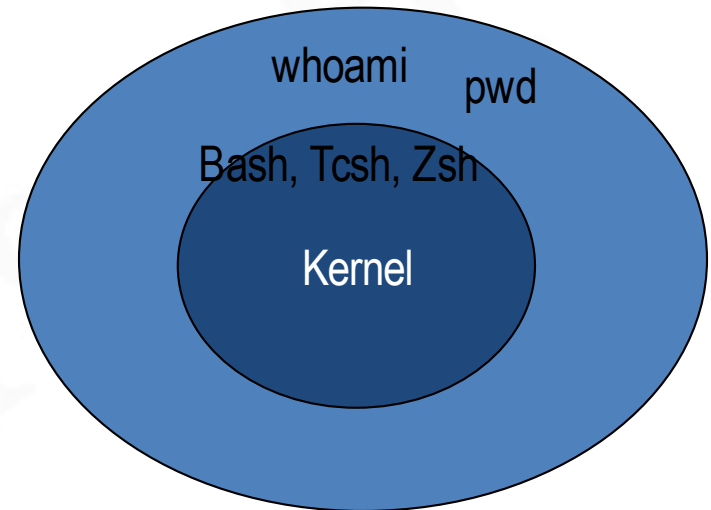
Soon more than a hundred people joined the Linux camp. Then thousands. Then hundreds of thousands

It was licensed under **GNU General Public License**, thus ensuring that the source codes will be free for all to copy, study and to change.



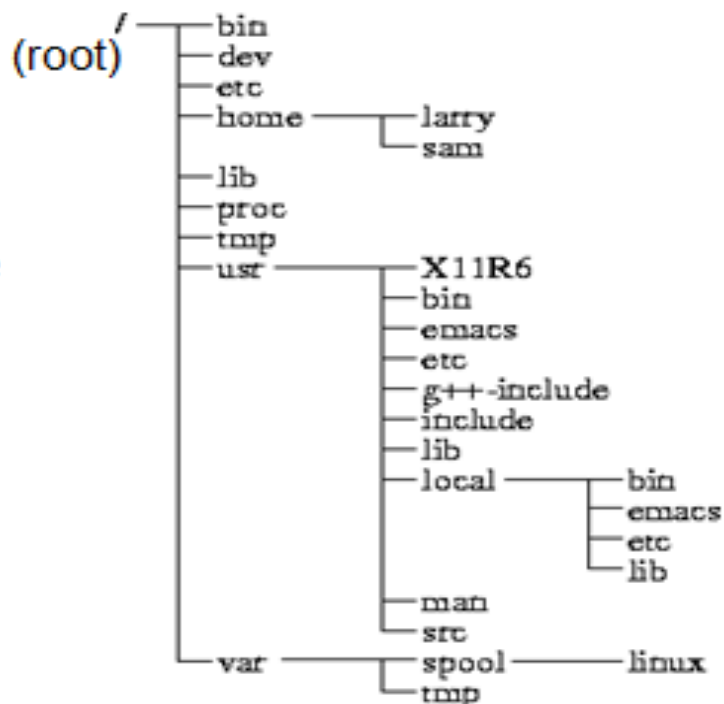
- Linux has been used for many computing platforms PC, Supercomputer,...
- Not only character user interface but graphical user interface is available
- Commercial vendors moved in Linux itself to provide freely distributed code. They make their money by compiling up various software and gathering them in a distributable format
- Red Hat, Slackware, etc

- **Shell** interprets the command and request service from kernel
- Similar to DOS but DOS has only one set of interface while Linux can select different shell
Bourne Again shell (Bash), TC shell (Tcsh), Z shell (Zsh)
- Different shell has similar but different^{ls} functionality
- **Bash** is the default for Linux
- Graphical user interface of Linux is in fact an application program work on the shell



Directory Tree

When you log on the the Linux OS using your username you are automatically located in your home directory.



The most important subdirectories inside the root directory are:

➤ **/bin** : Important Linux commands available to the average user.

/boot : The files necessary for the system to boot. Not all Linux distributions use this one. Fedora does.

➤ **/dev** : All device drivers. Device drivers are the files that your Linux system uses to talk to your hardware. For example, there's a file in the /dev directory for your particular make and model of monitor, and all of your Linux computer's communications with the monitor go through that file.

➤ **/etc** : System configuration files.

➤ **/home** : Every user except root gets her own folder in here, named for her login account. So, the user who logs in with linda has the directory /home/linda, where all of her personal files are kept.

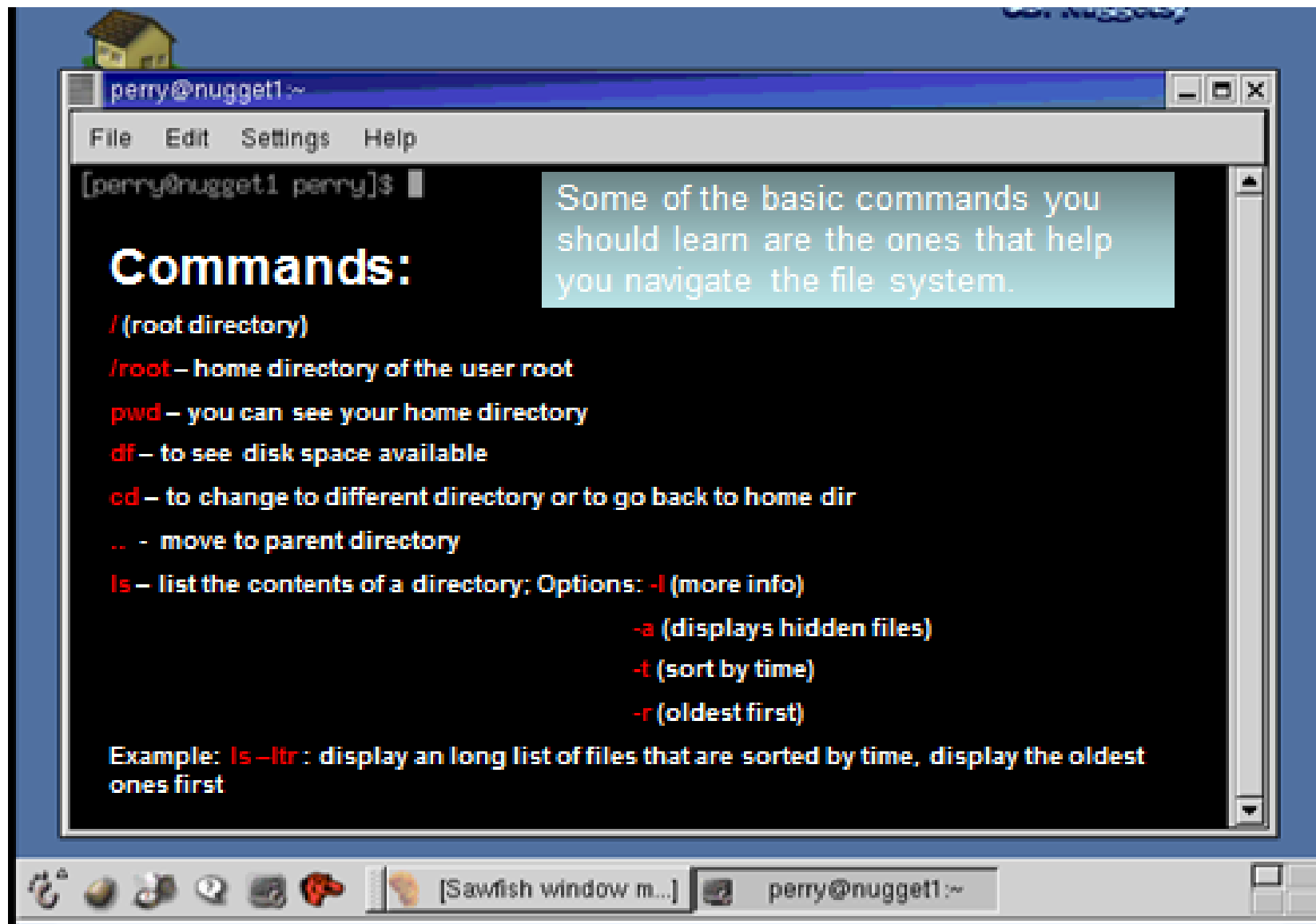
➤ **/lib** : System libraries. Libraries are just bunches of programming code that the programs on your system use to get things done.

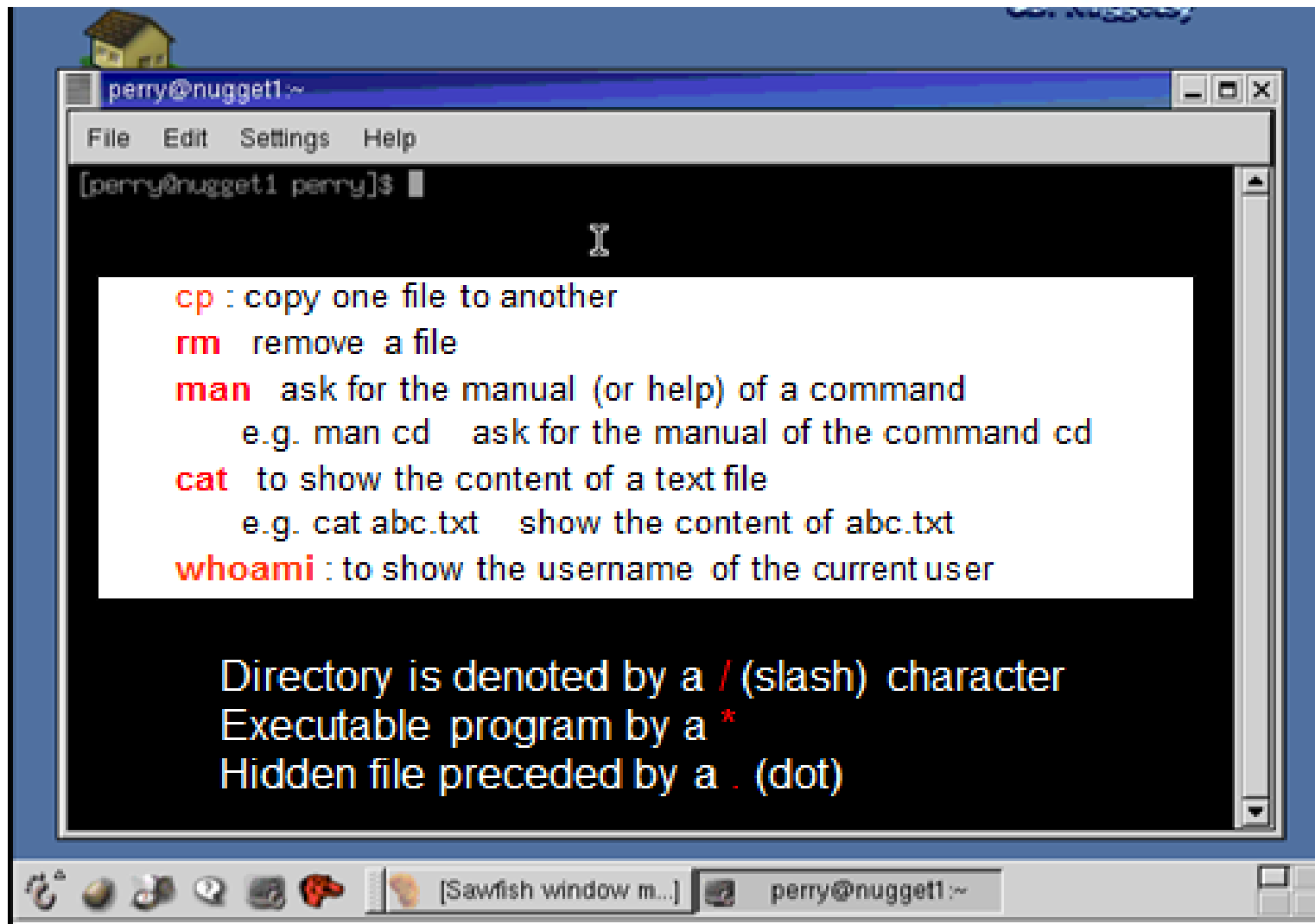
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- **/mnt** : Mount points. When you temporarily load the contents of a CD-ROM or USB drive, you typically use a special name under /mnt. For example, many distributions (including Fedora) come, by default, with the directory /mnt/cdrom, which is where your CD-ROM drive's contents are made accessible.
- **/root** : The root user's home directory.
- **/sbin** : Essential commands that are only for the system administrator.
- **/tmp** : Temporary files and storage space. Don't put anything in here that you want to keep. Most Linux distributions (including Fedora) are set up to delete any file that's been in this directory longer than three days.
- **/usr** : Programs and data that can be shared across many systems and don't need to be changed.
- **/var** : Data that changes constantly (log files that contain information about what's happening on your system, data on its way to the printer, and so on).

Home directory

- You can see what your home directory is called by entering
- `pwd` (print current working directory)





The image shows a terminal window titled "perry@nugget1 ~". The window has a menu bar with "File", "Edit", "Settings", and "Help". The terminal prompt is "[perry@nugget1 perry]\$". A white text box is overlaid on the terminal, listing several basic Linux commands with their functions and examples. Below the text box, there are three lines of text explaining directory notation, executable programs, and hidden files. The terminal window is part of a desktop environment with a taskbar at the bottom showing various icons and a window title bar.

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perry@nugget1 ~  
File Edit Settings Help  
[perry@nugget1 perry]$
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cp : copy one file to another
rm remove a file
man ask for the manual (or help) of a command
e.g. man cd ask for the manual of the command cd
cat to show the content of a text file
e.g. cat abc.txt show the content of abc.txt
whoami : to show the username of the current user

Directory is denoted by a / (slash) character
Executable program by a *
Hidden file preceded by a . (dot)

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dlun@enpklun.polyu.edu.hk: /home/dlun/Desktop
File Edit Settings Help
[dlun@enpklun Desktop]$ ls
Autostart          Red Hat Support.kdeInk  cdrom.kdeInk
Printer.kdeInk     Templates              floppy.kdeInk
Red Hat Errata.kdeInk  Trash                  www.redhat.com.kdeInk
[dlun@enpklun Desktop]$
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[dlun@enpklun Desktop]$ ls -al
total 44
drwxr-xr-x  5 dlun  dlun  4096 May 17  2001 .
drwx----- 15 dlun  dlun  4096 Jan  4  15:15 ..
drwxr-xr-x  2 dlun  dlun  4096 May 17  2001 Autostart
-rw-r--r--  1 dlun  dlun   230 May 17  2001 Printer.kdeInk
-rw-r--r--  1 dlun  dlun   159 May 17  2001 Red Hat Errata.kdeInk
-rw-r--r--  1 dlun  dlun   153 May 17  2001 Red Hat Support.kdeInk
drwxr-xr-x  2 dlun  dlun  4096 May 17  2001 Templates
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-rw-r--r--  1 dlun  dlun   388 May 17  2001 cdrom.kdeInk
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-rw-r--r--  1 dlun  dlun   144 May 17  2001 www.redhat.com.kdeInk
[dlun@enpklun Desktop]$

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The concept of simple file and directory is similar to DOS

Names in blue are directories, indicated by a letter d at the beginning of the line

Why Linux certifications ?

- Certifications provide **good technical materials**
- Certifications bring the **basics**
- Certifications can be **mandatory**
- Certifications bring **credibility**
- Certifications can increase **visibility**
- Certifications **speed up** the **learning curve**
- Certifications is an add-on to your **experience**

A Word About Red Hat

- Red Hat is a global leader in open source solutions and software that uses a community powered approach for providing high performance and reliable cloud, virtualisation, storage, operating system.
- There are several Red Hat certifications that target job roles and real time experience.
- The Red Hat Certified Systems Administrator (RHCSA) is the basic certification which approves an administrator's knowledge about configuring local storage, working with security controls like Firewalls, SELinux, and manage the user base and file systems. It adds to the skills of remote storage connection, web server administration, SMTP and FTP services and various other skills.

RHEL7 RHCSA (EX200)

- The **RHCSA**-exam (**Red Hat Certified System Administrator**), also called **EX200**, is a performance-based exam lasting **2 hours and half**, focusing on installation and server configuration on **RHEL 7**.
- You can take the exam in a classroom setting monitored by a proctor or in a **Individual ExamSession (IES)** remotely monitored.



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