

Handout Computer Lab 1: Introduction to UNIX, FORTRAN, and FERRET

Log on to linux server:

On the Mac, launch X11 or Terminal (in Applications/Utilities/). (Windows users see note below.)  
(If logging on from outside CEOAS type: `ssh -X username@coas.oregonstate.edu`. Hit return if prompted for window.)

Now type: `ssh -X username@studentY` (username is the student's CEOAS login name, Y is a number from 1 to 11). If you are prompted to accept an RSA key fingerprint, type 'yes'. Enter your CEOAS password. You are now remotely logged into one of the CEOAS student lab Linux systems.

Remote login from windows: tips from a student:

It also might be worth noting that if people are trying to use Cygwin or other similar unix-emulatorq from their windows machine to ssh, they have to install the OpenSSH package. It wasn't until after I did this that I was able to ssh to coas from my windows machine. Here is a [tutorial](#) that explains how to do it. Also, in the first step of the tutorial it says to open the Cygwin setup.exe file. It can be downloaded [here](#).

## Important UNIX commands:

bash use bash shell (my recommendation because it has auto-completion with tab)  
cd change directory  
ls list  
pwd present working directory  
mkdir make new directory  
rmdir remove directory  
rm remove file (be careful, there's no undo once a file is removed)  
cp copy file (e.g. cp file1.f file2.f)  
mv move file  
lpr print (e.g. 'lpr -PmyBWprinter plot.ps' prints postscript file plot.ps on printer myBWprinter)  
lpstat print status (lpstat -a shows available printers)  
man manual pages (e.g. 'man man' or 'man ls')  
more look at file content  
vi vi-editor  
exit exit shell terminal  
\* wildcard (e.g. 'rm \*' will remove all files in a directory; be careful !)  
grep finds text in files (e.g. 'grep temp \*.f' will look in all files that end with .f for the text 'temp')  
| pipe: diverts output from one command to input for next command (e.g. grep temp \*.f | more)  
arrow up key previous command  
tab key auto-complete  
ps list processes  
kill -9 PID kill process # PID  
CTRL z halt process  
bg put process in background  
fg put process in foreground  
CTRL c abort process  
emacs & start emacs editor in background (&) (on Mac use xemacs &)  
ssh remote login (e.g. 'ssh -X myusername@student1.coas.oregonstate.edu')  
scp remote file copy (e.g. scp myusername@student1.coas.oregonstate.edu:~/test/test.f .)

## Editors

### editor: EMACS (C^ means CTRL)

C^x C^f	open file
C^x C^s	save file
C^x C^c	exit
C^s	search
C^r	search backward
Esc %	replace
C^k	delete line
C^d	delete character
C^y	paste (yank)
C^g	abort command
C^e	goto end of line
C^a	goto beginning of line
C^h	help
C^SHIFT_	undo
C^SPACE	set mark
C^w	delete region (from mark)

### editor: vi (or vim)

ZZ	save and exit
hjkl	move cursor
\$	goto end of line
dd	delete line
u	undo
i	insert mode
a	append (also enters insert mode)
ESC	exit insert mode
:w	write (save)
:q	quit
:help	help

### editor: gedit

gedit is another user friendly editor

## FORTRAN

### Download and Installation

Mac: Download Xcode from <https://developer.apple.com/xcode/> and install by double clicking on it (or insert OS X Install CD; click on Xcode Tools; double click on XcodeTools.mpkg). I also installed the command line tools. This should include gfortran. (Here is another free fortran compiler for high performance computing <http://hpc.sourceforge.net/>.)

Use: Create source code in text editor (e.g. emacs or vi)

first 6 columns are empty

test program test.f

\$ emacs test.f&

```
program EBM
temp=0
dt=1
do i=1,10
    temp = temp + dt
    print*, temp
enddo
end
```

compile with

gfortran test.f (or f95 test.f)

run with

a.out (or ./a.out)

diverting output into file

a.out > file.dat

introduce in fortran

-functions and subroutines

-if statement

```
program EBM
do i=1,10
    temp = temp + dt
    print*, FLW(temp)
    call FSW(temp,x)
    print*, x
enddo
end
```

```
function FLW(arg)
```

```
A = -726
```

```
B = 3.36
```

```
FLW = A + B*arg
```

```
return
```

end

```
subroutine calcFSW(in,out)
```

```
S = 342.
```

```
albedo = 0.3
```

```
c this is a comment
```

```
out = (1.-albedo)*S
```

```
return
```

```
end
```

```
c mathematical operations
```

```
c multiplication
```

```
out=5*2.
```

```
c division
```

```
out=5./2.
```

```
c exponentiation
```

```
out=5**2.
```

An introduction to fortran is available here:

<http://www.dur.ac.uk/its/software/application/?application=Nag+Fortran+90+Library>

<http://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/GFortran>

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## FERRET

Ferret is a free software for analysis and plotting of gridded data. Google “ferret noaa” for more info, documentation and download. As we will see it is particularly useful for analyzing large datasets such as climate model output.

copy my .bashrc and ferret\_path files from /home/server/scratch/ATS421-521 to your home directory  
if your running a bash shell type “source .bashrc”  
now type “ferret”  
this should start ferret and you should get the ferret “yes?” prompt

### - Plot a function

define an axis:

yes? define axis/x=230:330:1 tempax

this could represent temperature in [K]. The last number is the interval, in this case 1 K. If you want a 0.2 K interval you'd use x=230:330:0.2

now you can define a variable that is the temperature like this:

yes? let temp = x[gx=tempax]

you can plot it

yes? pl temp

now you can create a function that depends on this variable:

yes? let FLW = 5.6e-8\*temp^4

yes? pl FLW

### - load ascii file:

yes? file/var=temp out.dat

show data:

yes? show data

or

yes? sh da (commands can be abbreviated)

you'll see the variable names and the number of grid points for each dimension

you can also read multiple columns

yes? file/var=time,temp out.dat

plot data

yes? plot temp

or

yes? plot/vs time, temp  
you can create a time axis and a grid using this axis  
yes? define axis/t/from\_data/name=tax time  
yes? define grid/t=tax mg  
now re-read the data  
yes? file/var=time,temp/g=mg out.dat  
yes? plot temp

- you can also read multiple files

yes? file/var=time,temp/g=mg out2.dat  
yes? sh da

and plot both

yes? pl temp[d=1], temp[d=2]

- load netcdf data:

yes? use levitus\_climatology

plot data:

yes? shade temp[k=1]

yes? sha salt[x=180w]

yes? plot salt[x=18w,y=25n]

yes? pl/over salt[x=18w,y=55s]

averaging:

yes? pl temp[k=1,x=@ave]

differentiating:

yes? pl temp[k=1,x=@ave,y=@ddc] (centered difference)

integrating:

yes? pl temp[k=1,x=@ave,y=70s:70n@iin]

yes? list temp[x=@din,y=@din,z=@din]

show all transformations:

yes? show trans

show all functions:

yes? sh func

define new variables

yes? let dtdz = temp[z=@ddc]

save your new variable in a file

yes? save/file=my\_dtdz.nc dtdz

- write your own ferret script:

open an empty file in an editor

enter ferret commands in the file and save it with a \*.jnl extension e.g. myscript.jnl

to run it type

yes? go myscript

voila !

- Producing a figure:

yes? set mode metafile

yes? pl/vs/li {1,2},{2,3}

yes? q

now you have a file called metafile.plt. You can convert this to a postscript file using

\$ Fprint -o myplot.ps metafile.plt

typing Fprint without arguments gives you help (try it!)

I usually use the -p portrait option and sometimes for color lines the -l cps option

once you have the ps file you can view it with “ghostscript” or convert it to a pdf file with “ps2pdf”