



# Course Introduction



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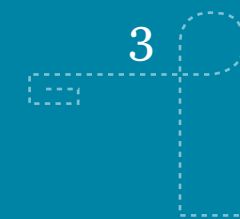
# Welcome!

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# WHERE WE ARE NOW



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## © TODAY'S GOAL









- What are the course methods and means?
- What is the course goal?
- What [tech.] resources do you need to get hold of to begin this course?



# ME

1992-1993	Research assistant, IT [satellite imagery, programming, UNIX]	hiof.no
1993-1994	IT-Consultant [comms., www, mac, email]	hil.no/it
1994-2008	Multimedia Producer / Project Manager	hil.no/sell
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2006-2009	M.Sc. [Information Technology - Designing Digital Environments]	hiof.no
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# YOU

- Name?
- Where do you come from?
- Got your own laptop/desktop?
- Background in computing
- What's in your toolbox (os, tools, devices)?
- Expectations - hig | master thesis | this course
- Plans for the future?

# METHODS AND STYLE

- Distribution outside and inside frontier (accessibility)
- Record and podcast lecture recordings (accessibility)
- Open systems, tools, standards and formats (accessibility)
- Lectures: Would like seminars rather than monologues



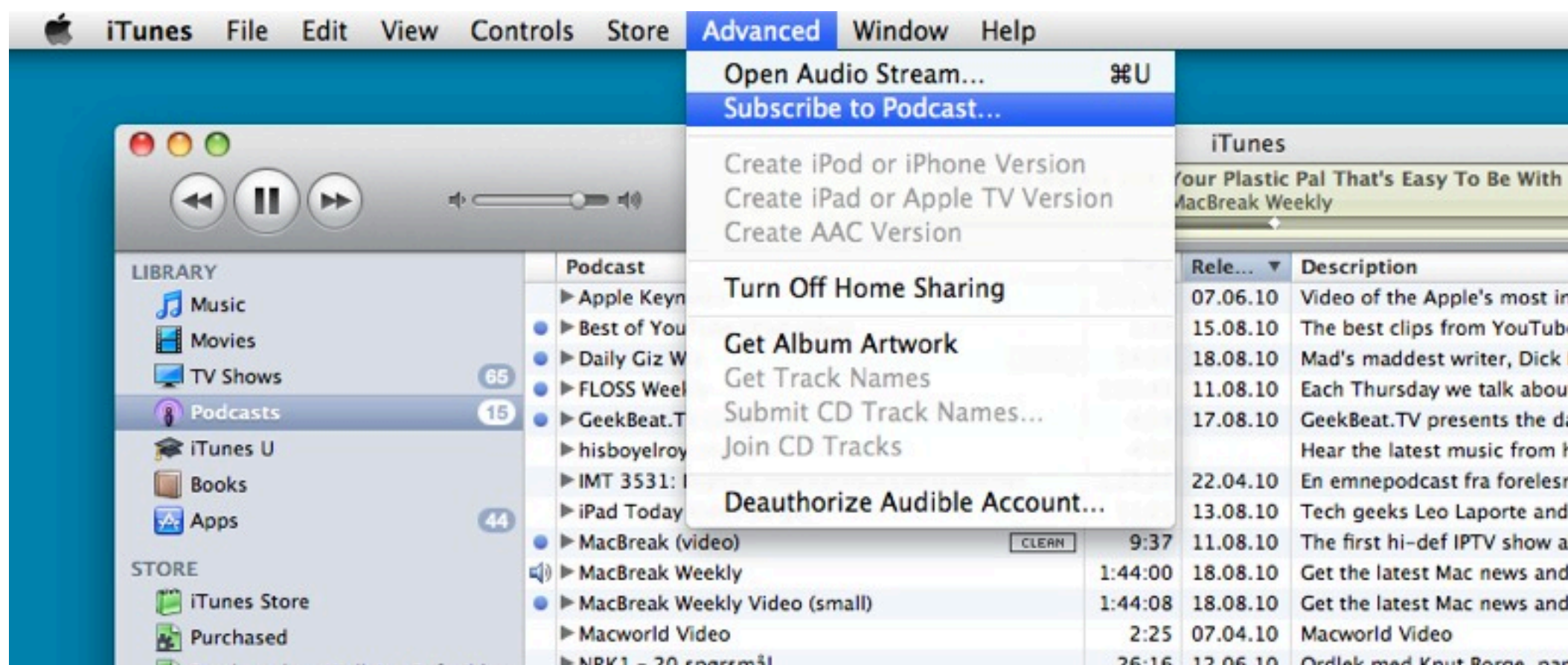
# LECTURES



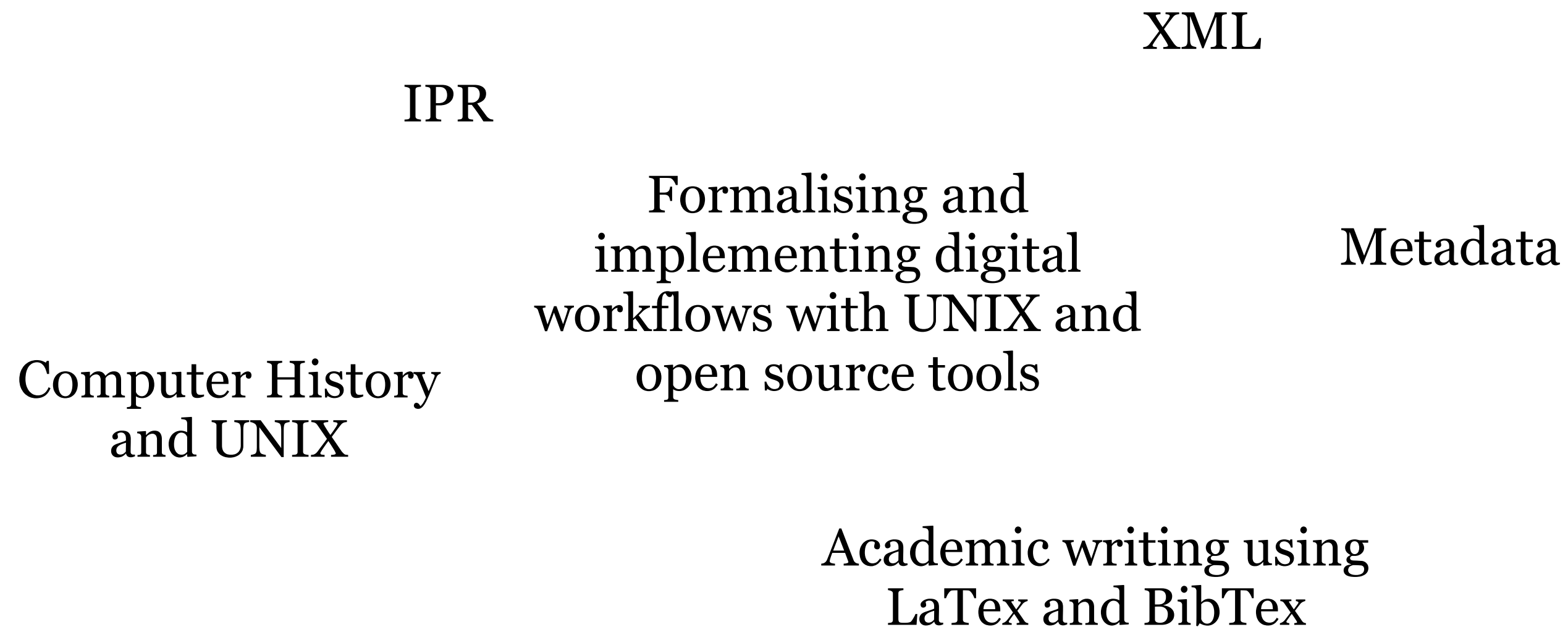
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# LECTURE SUBSCRIPTION AND PLAYBACK

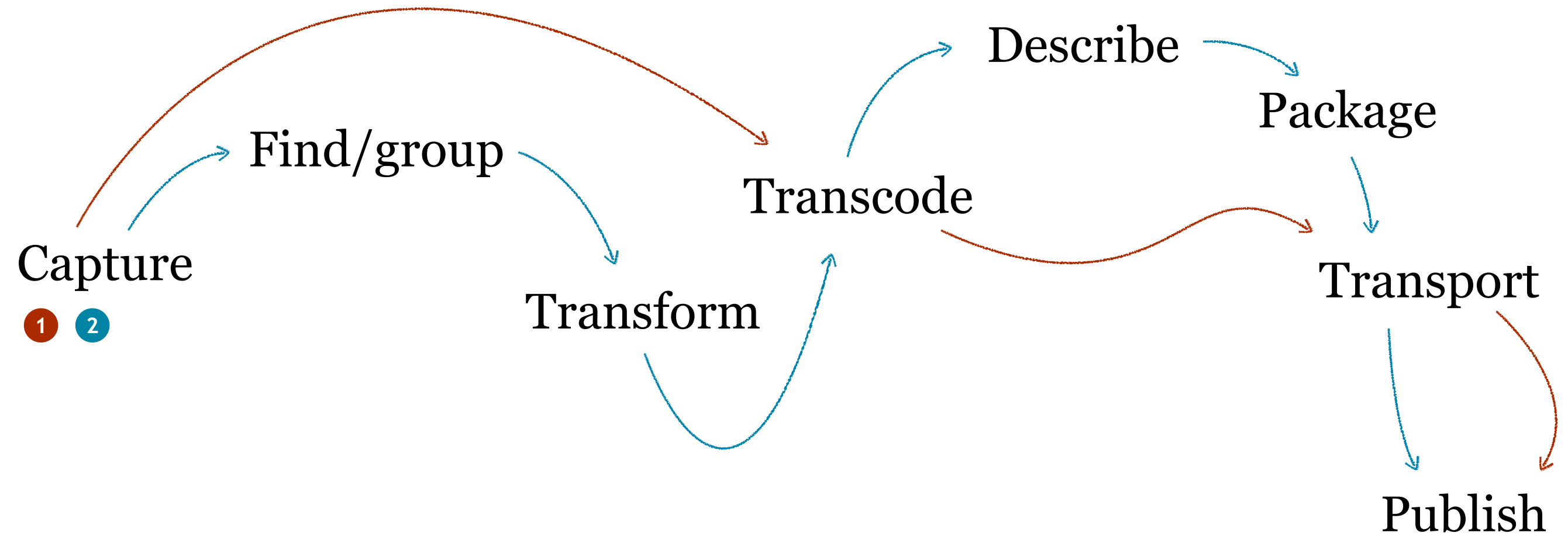
- RSS reader (Google Reader, iTunes, ...)
- Files can also be copied to your mobile device and watched there if they support open standards including MPEG4/AAC/H.264



# COURSE CONTENT



# IMAGES



# WORKFLOW

*“A workflow consists of a sequence of connected steps. It is a depiction of a sequence of operations, declared as work of a person, a group of persons,[1] an organization of staff, or one or more simple or complex mechanisms.*

*Workflow may be seen as any abstraction of real work. For control purposes, workflow may be a view on real work under a chosen aspect,[2] thus serving as a virtual representation of actual work. The flow being described may refer to a document or product that is being transferred from one step to another.”*

- Wikipedia, Aug. 2011

# WORKFLOW - IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

- What systems and programs do we use as digital workers?
- Do the systems and programs we use lend themselves well to all contexts?
- Are the tools and methods we use sustainable?
- Do we select tools that work well together?
- Do we have to re-invest in learning new tools
- Investing [heavily] in learning tools/systems now that you may benefit from later?

# SCENARIO

*“These 8000 images needs a custom watermark, a size reduction and needs to be online at this URL before lunch...”*

# LAB WORK

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# ASSIGNMENTS

- I will give small assignments (not mandatory)
- I will ask you to show off your work in front of the other students
  - Training your presentation skills
  - Pushing you to deliver
- We will base most of our examples and small exercises around color images

# TOOLBOX

**gnuplot**      **ffmpeg**      **imagemagick**      **gpsbabel**

**exiftool**

**latex**

**bibtex**



**sed**

**awk**

**grep**

**find**

**ssh**

**scp**

**sftp**

**cp**

**mv**

**cut**

# PROJECT AT THE END OF THIS COURSE

- Mini project where you need to outline what you want, and then try to deliver
- Will include writing your (perhaps?) first referenced academic document
- We suggest the use of LaTeX/BibTeX and a good editor to do the work

# UNIX?

- 1. Your Own laptop running
  - PC: UBUNTU
  - Mac: Mac OS X BSD
- 2. Access stan.hig.no through a terminal window (i.e. PuTTY)
- 3. Borrow a Mac in A211 Mac lab

# SETTING UP UNIX ON YOUR MACHINES

- Helping each other out using Social Media
  - Twitter: #imt4892 (open, fast, unencumbered)
  - G+?
- Because by helping others you will help yourself learn better and more

## INFORMATION

- Elect class representatives (MMT and CIMET) and report names to Rune Hjelsvold (Vice Dean). [Rune.hjelsvold@hig.no](mailto:Rune.hjelsvold@hig.no)
- Not much work
- Great learning experience



## ASSIGNMENTS

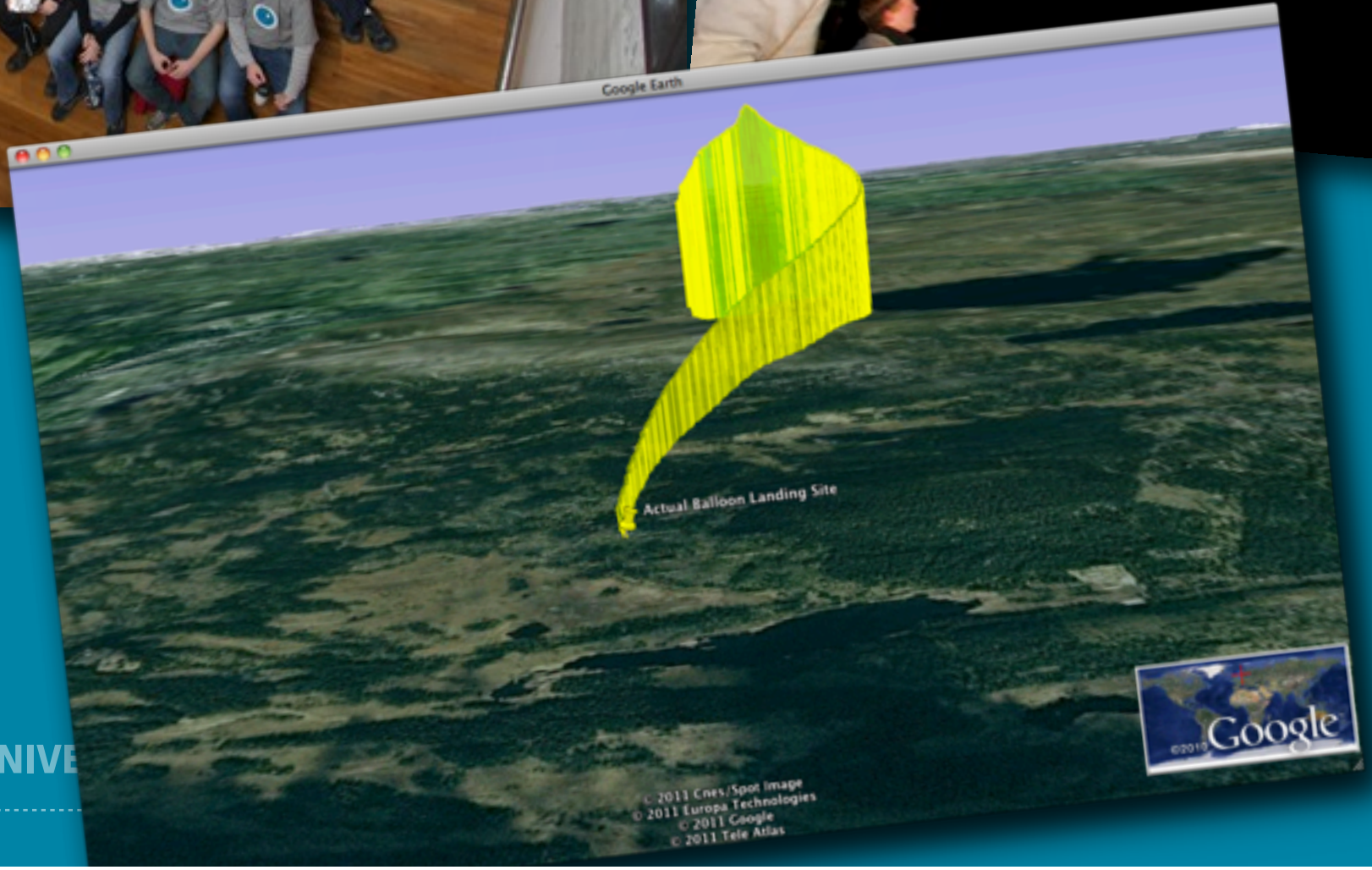
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6. E-mail me your student number so that we can generate UNIX logins for you on [stan.hig.no](http://stan.hig.no)
7. Form a social network around the course and help each other!

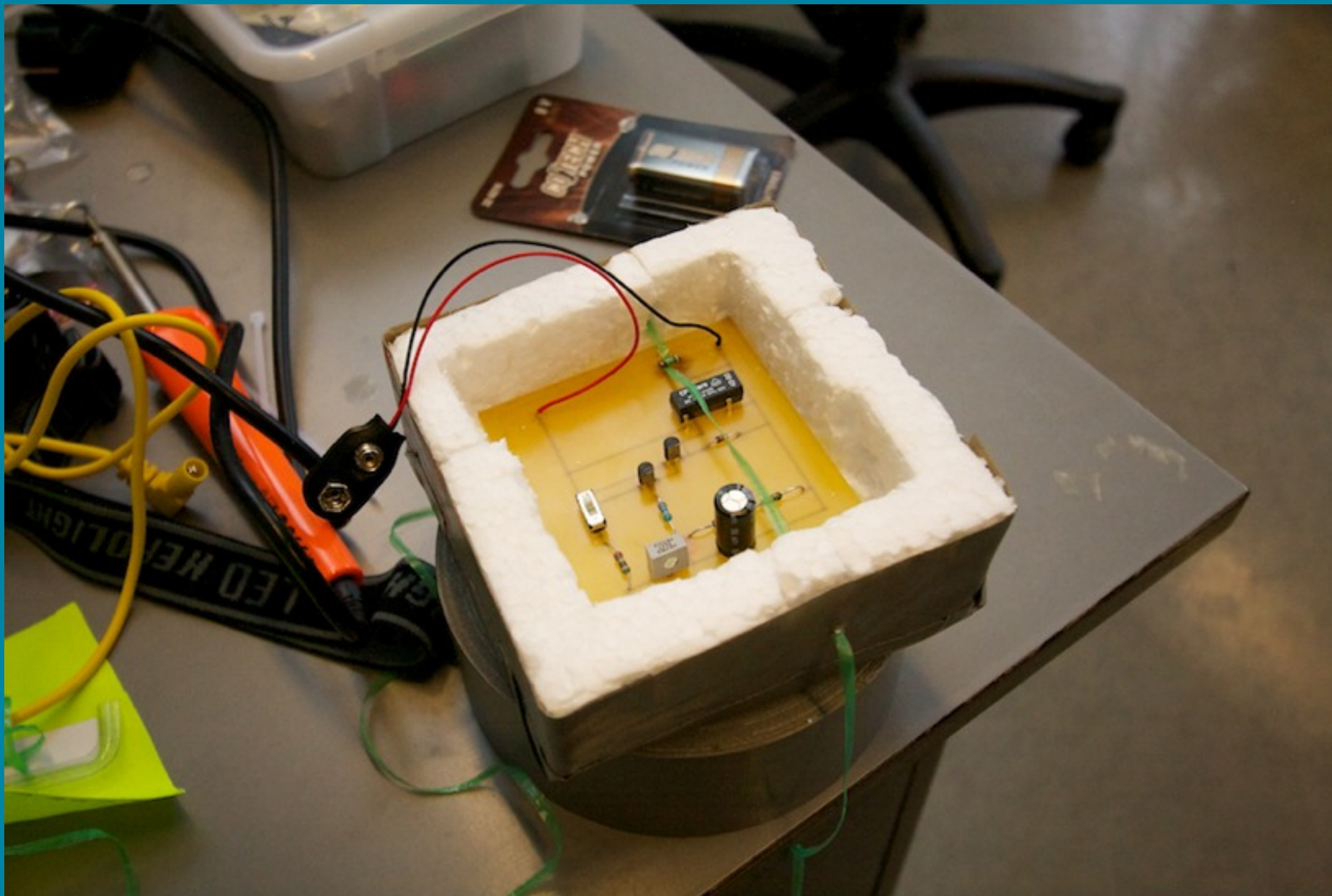


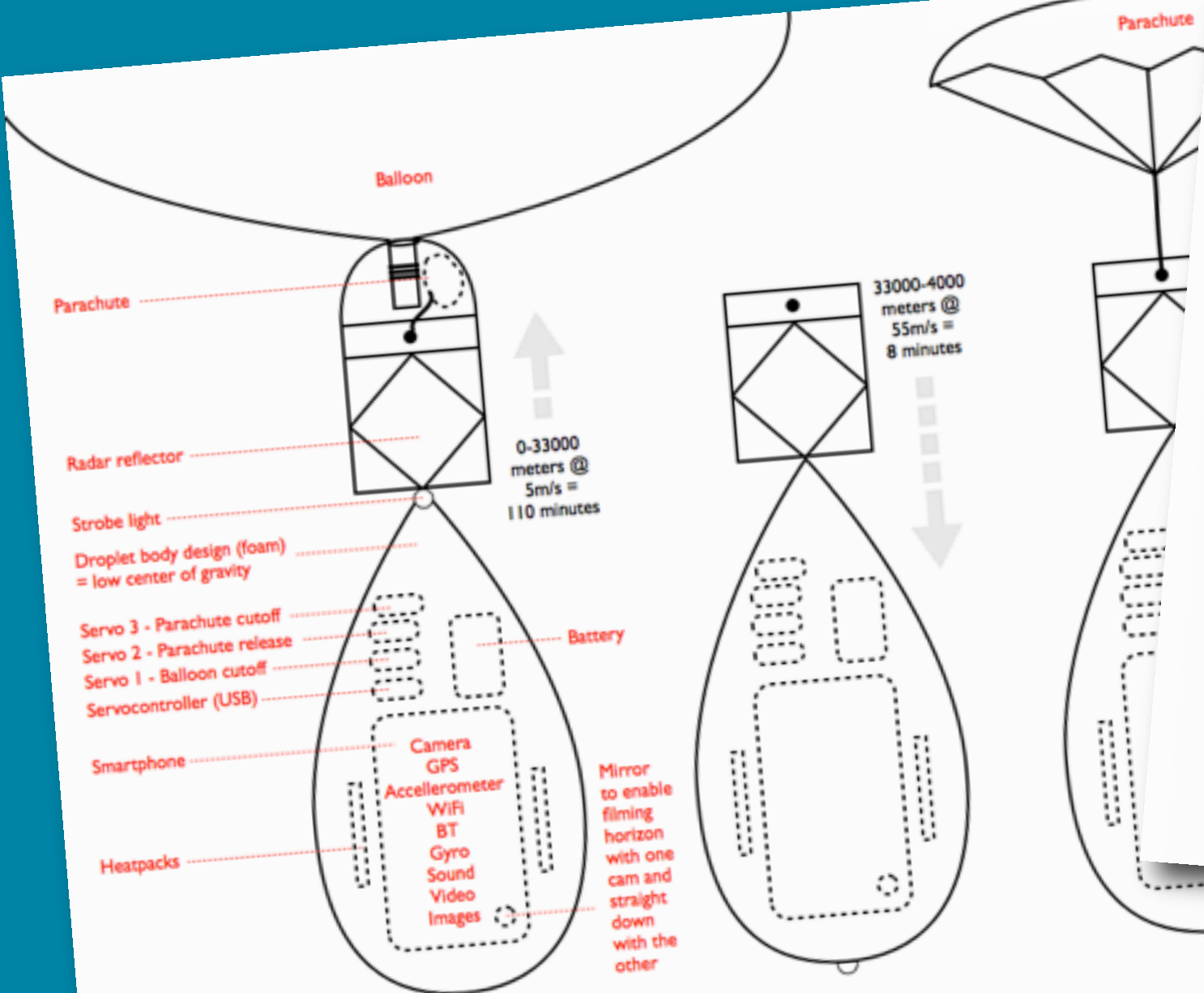
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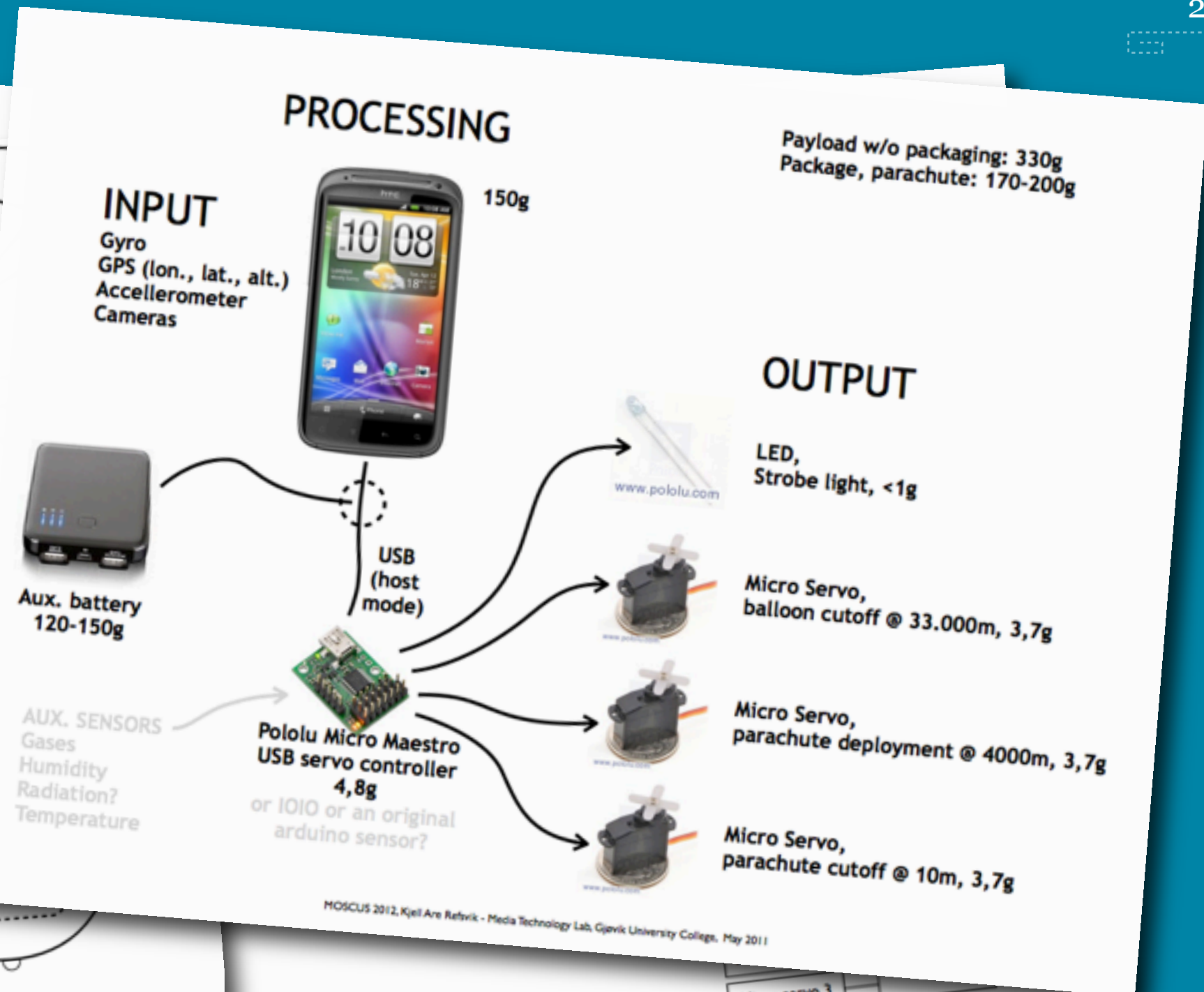
# Mobile Solutions and Data Collection in the Upper Atmosphere







MOSCUS 2012, Kjell Are Refsvik - Media Technology Lab, Gjøvik University College, May 2011



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# MOSCUS 2012

- Need a group of students interested in mobile phones, RC toys and programming for an extra curriculum activity
- I have parts, a smartphone, experiences from 2011 and plans for 2012
- Task: build and test a hardware platform for a near space instrument package based around an Android phone.

<http://www.ansatt.hig.no/kjellr/projects/moscus/>



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# A Brief History of Computing and an Introduction to Unix

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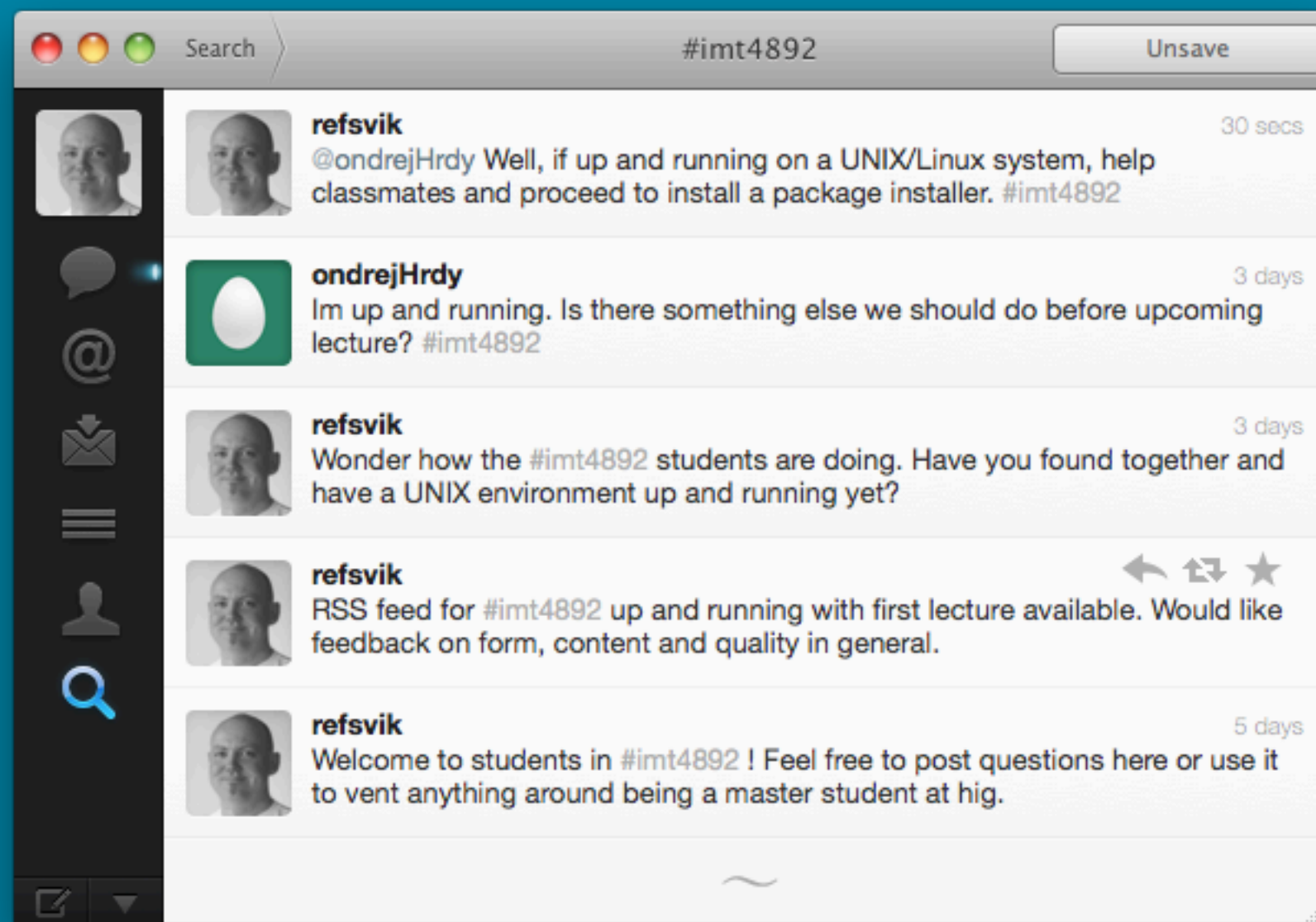


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# TWITTER, YESTERDAY AT LUNCH



# STAN.HIG.NO

- you now all have accounts on stan.hig.no
- `ssh stan.hig.no` in a terminal window [ssh=secure shell]
- username: s...
- password: p...
- Change password at first login with `passwd`



## TODAY'S GOAL

- Be able to identify the key milestones in the development and use of computers
- Know the two main user interface paradigms and their strengths and weaknesses
- Know the main attributes of a UNIX command-line system and its strength as an environment for digital workflows

# TOOLS

- No content without form - no form/design without tools
- The tools we select influence how we work
- Ideally, we should have different tools and interface paradigms in our toolbox to handle different situation
- Approaches may range from having an artistic relationship with data, to having a more mechanical one

# COMPUTER?

- Minimum: Input, processing, output
- Mechanical as well as electrical/electronic
- 300 BC - Mechanical devices for calculation (i.e. Abacus)
- 1801 - Mechanical calculation machines (i.e. Looms)
- 1884 - Electrical computing with vacuum tube
- 1925 - Transistor
- 1949 - Intergrated circuit
- 1971 - Microprosessor

Sector, England, c. 1740  
Loan of Gwen and Gordon Bell (B338.85)

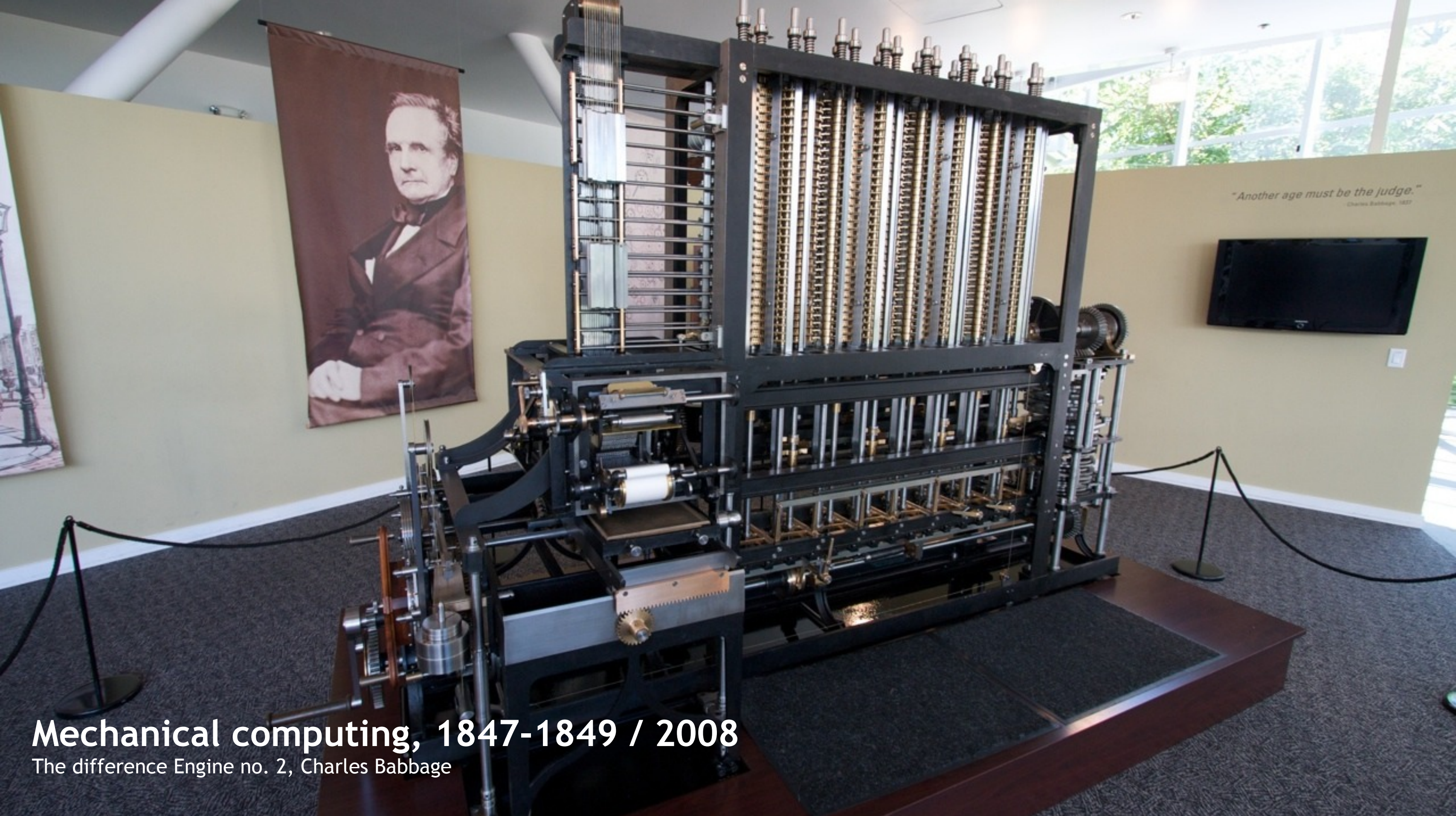
Sector, France, c. 1680  
Loan of Gwen and Gordon Bell

Sector, Italy, 1687  
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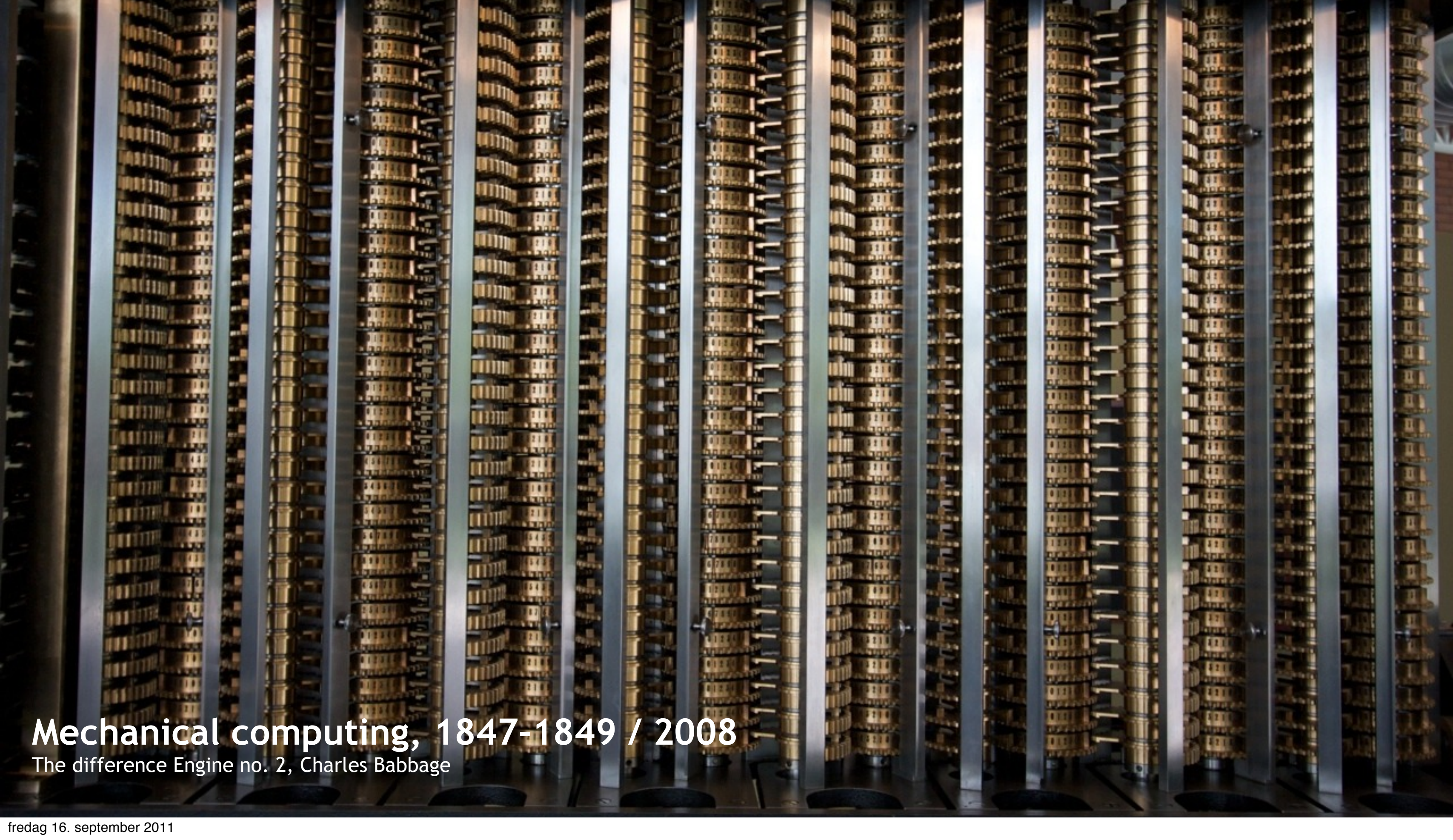


Mechanical calculation device,  
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**Mechanical computing, 1847-1849 / 2008**  
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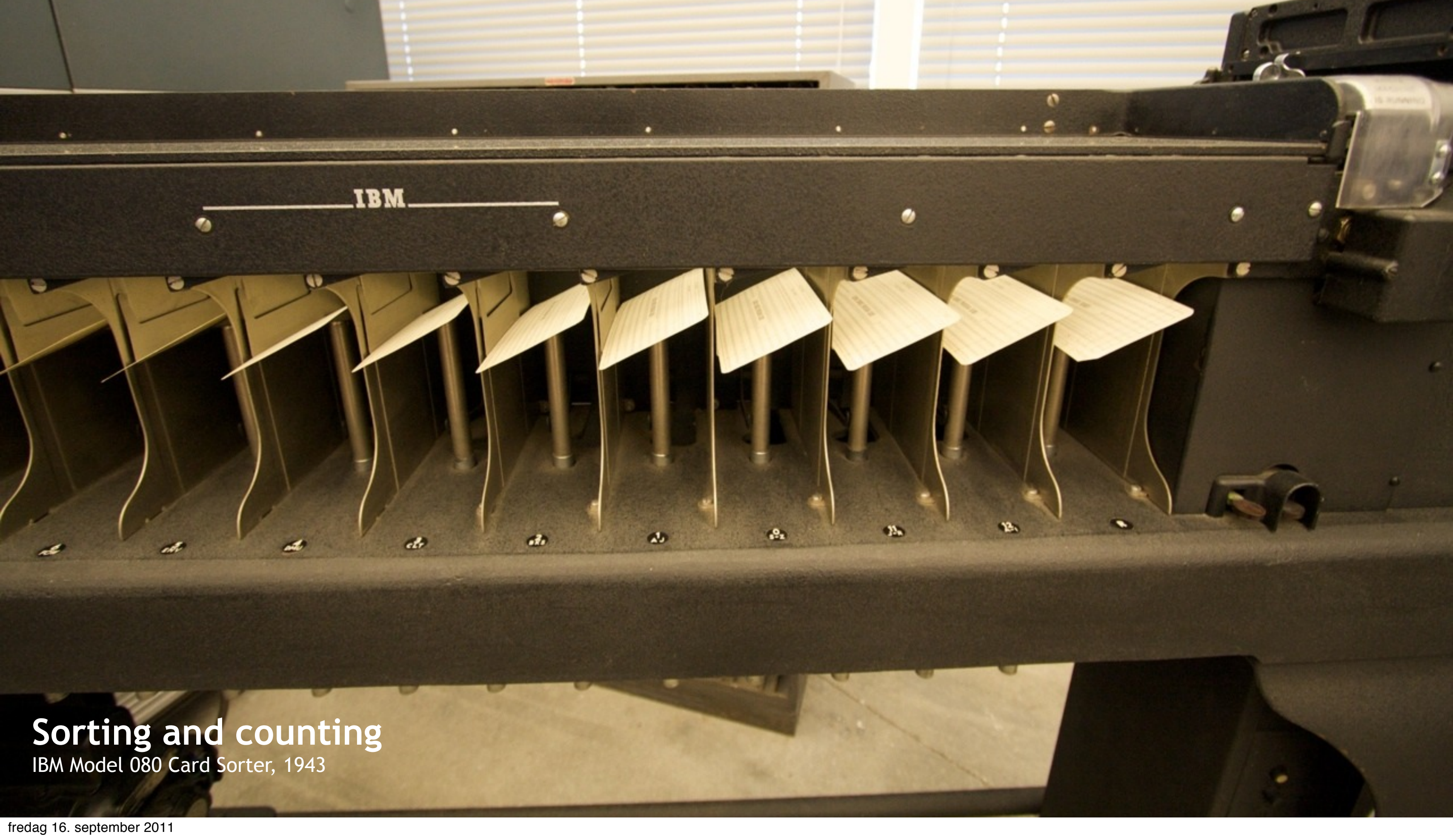


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# Sorting and counting

IBM Model 080 Card Sorter, 1943

1940s and -50s. Ballistics.

# Analog Computing

General Precision Systems, ca. 1950



GPS Analog Computer  
c. 1950  
General Precision Systems, United States

# 1960s. The era of the Mainframes



**Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory**



**First computer mouse, 1967**  
Douglas Engelbart, Stanford Research Institute



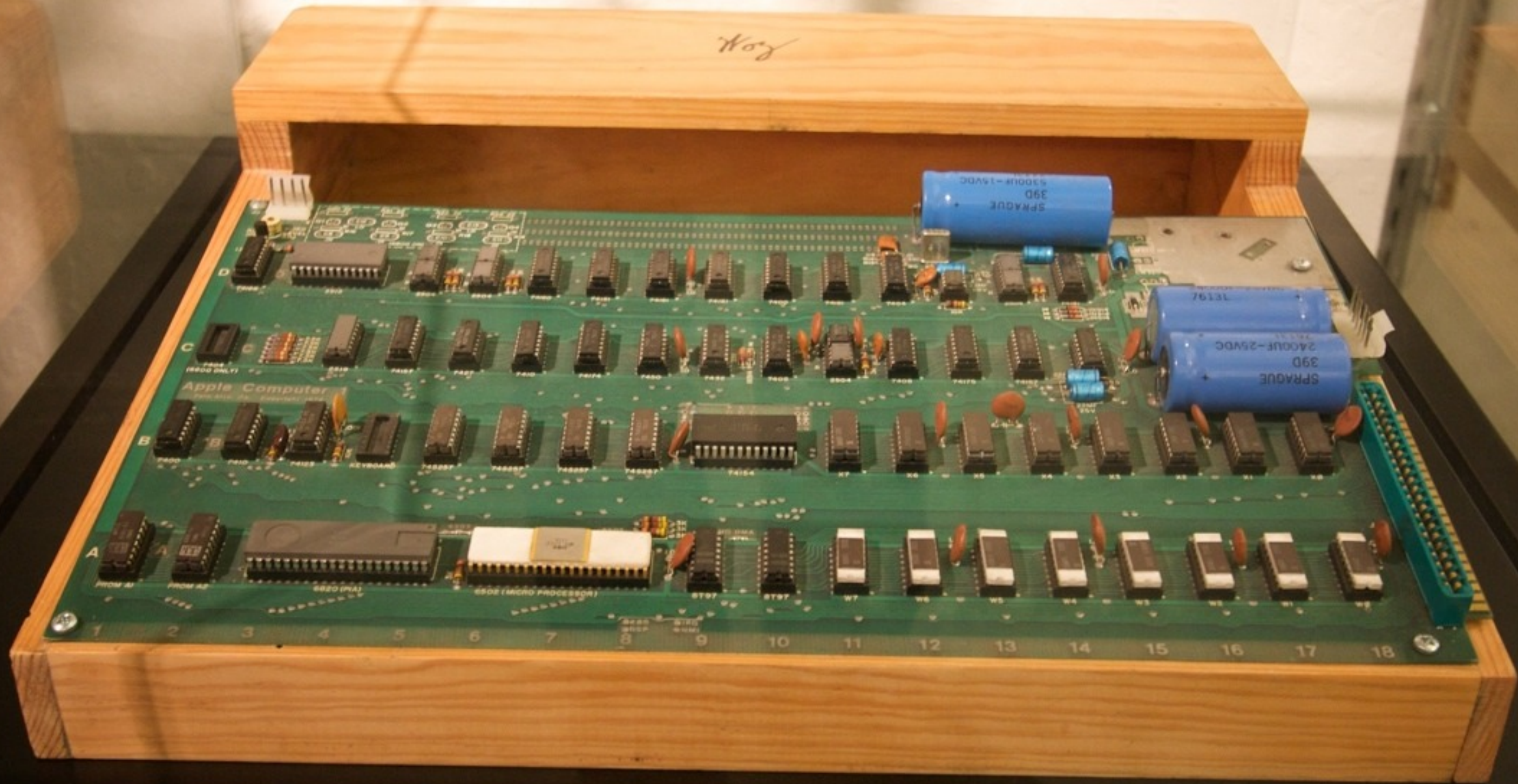


<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JflgzSoTMOs>

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_Mother\\_of\\_All\\_Demos](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Mother_of_All_Demos)



Hobby Computing, 1975  
MITS



**Personal computer (Apple-1), 1976**  
Apple Computer, Steve Wozniac and Steve Jobs



# Personal Computer, 1981

IBM PC

# Home computing, 1982-1994

Commodore 64, Commodore Inc.



# Mobile computing, 1990s

Apple Newton Messagepad, 1993, Apple Computer

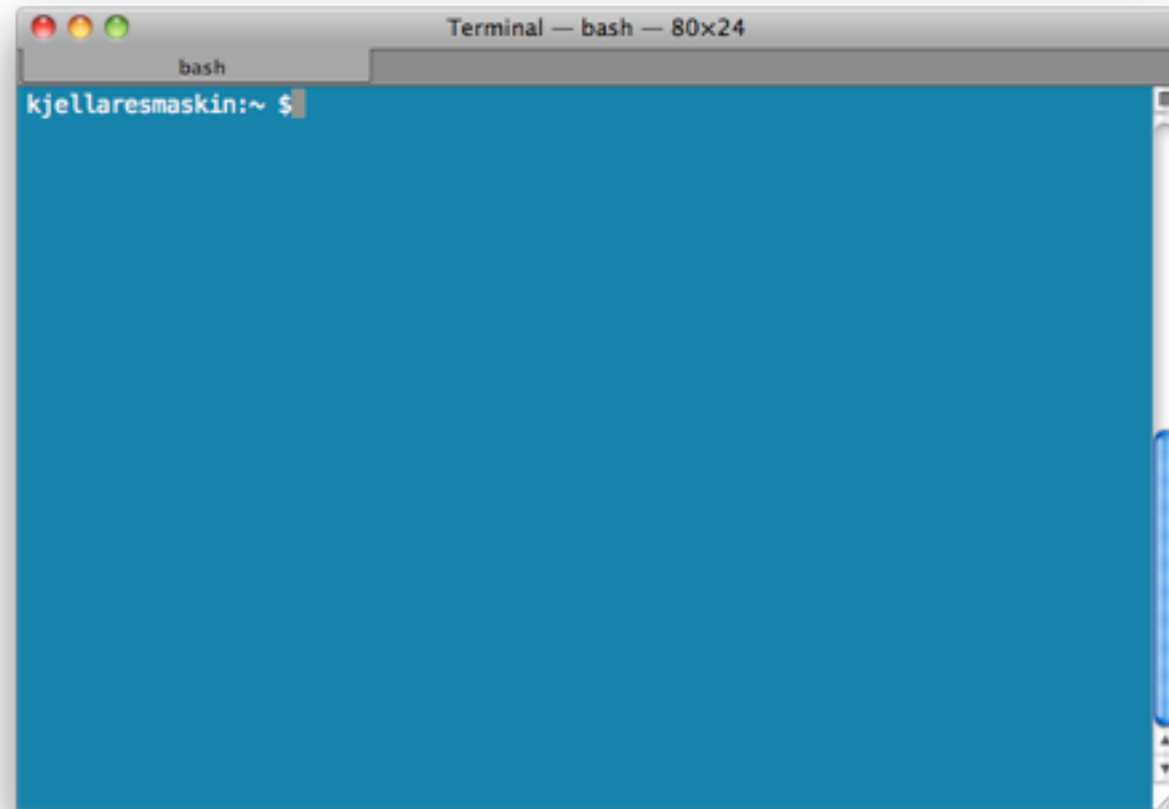


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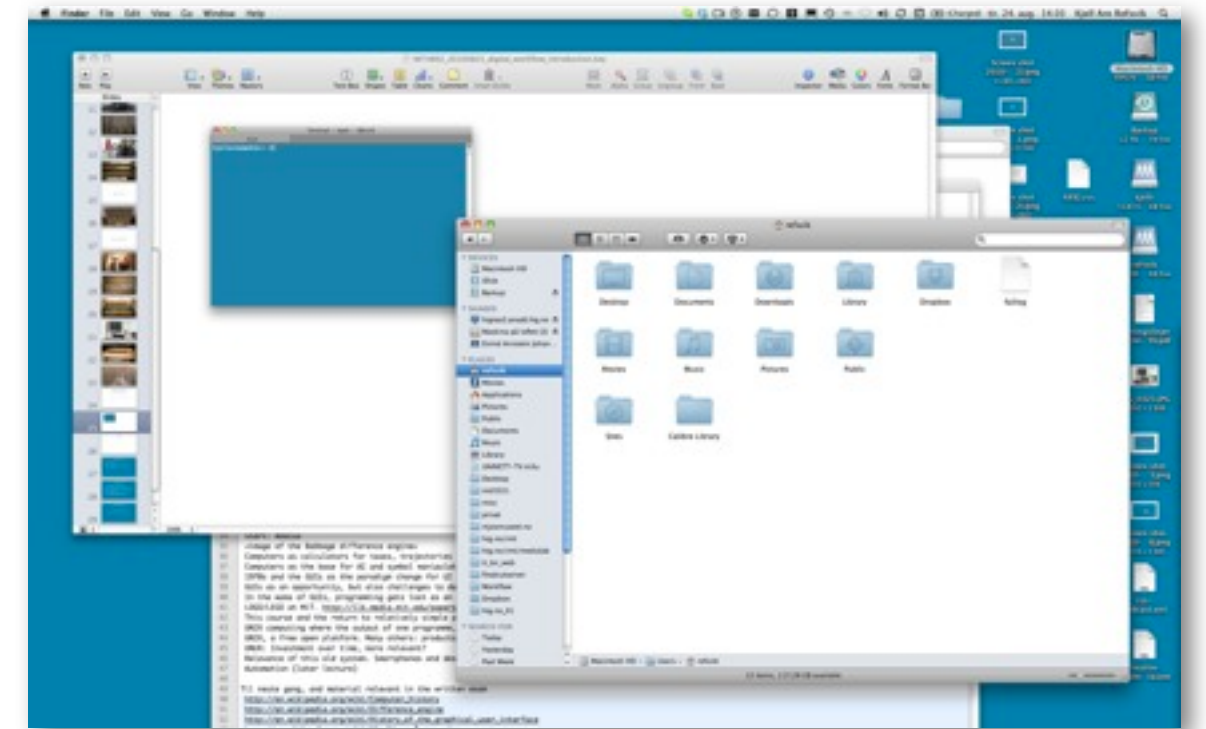


<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Linux>

Switches, dials and levers  
Paper/cardboard



# TUI/CLI



# GUI



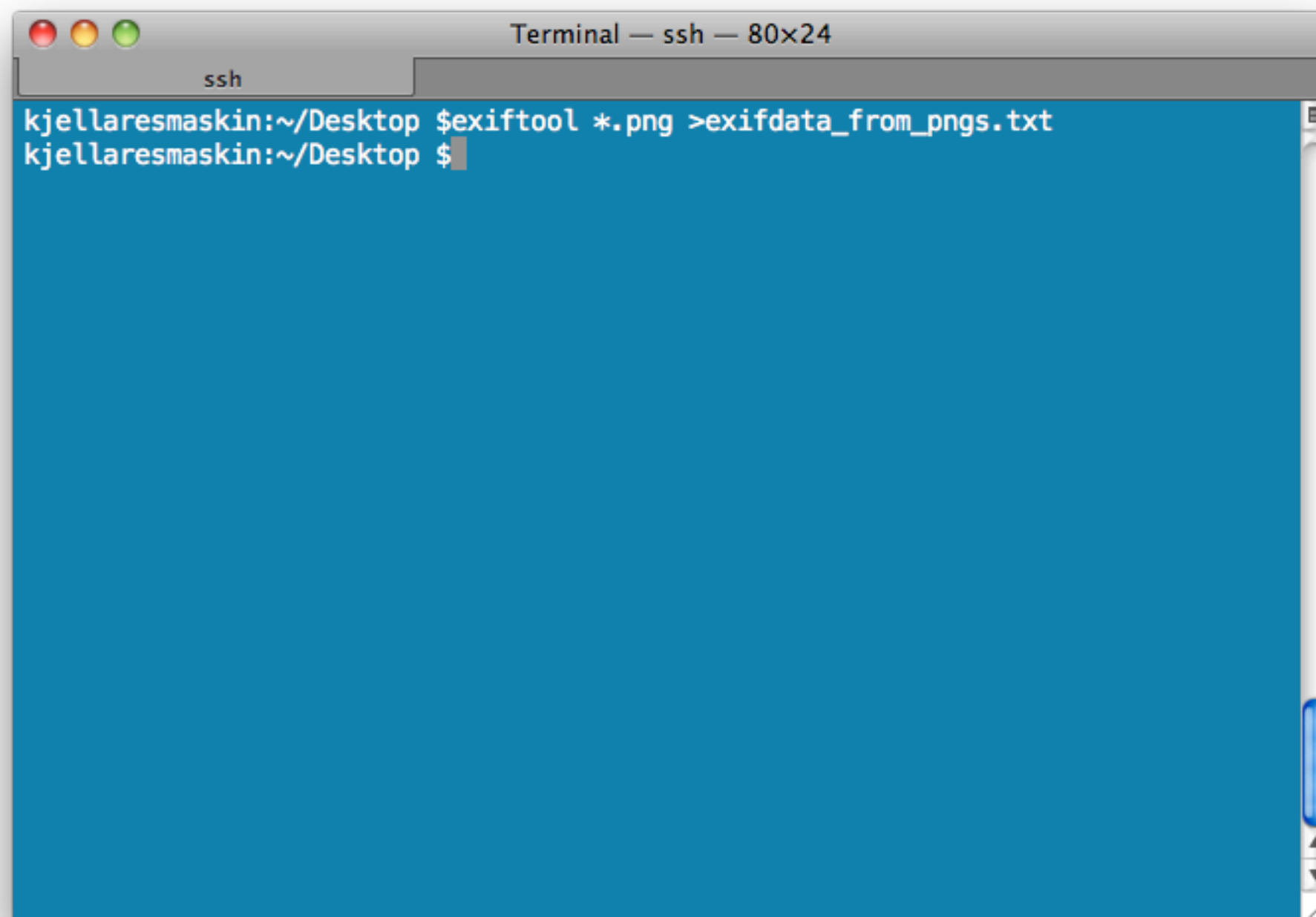
# UNIX SYSTEMS, SHELLS AND COMMAND-LINE INTERFACES

- Open and free environment where you may formalise workflows
- Small simple programs that can communicate with each other
- Lends itself well to large and/or repetitive tasks
- Avoids lock-ins between tools and data
- As soon as the workflow had been defined, often more effective (cpu/power/time)
- Not intuitive
- Not artistic

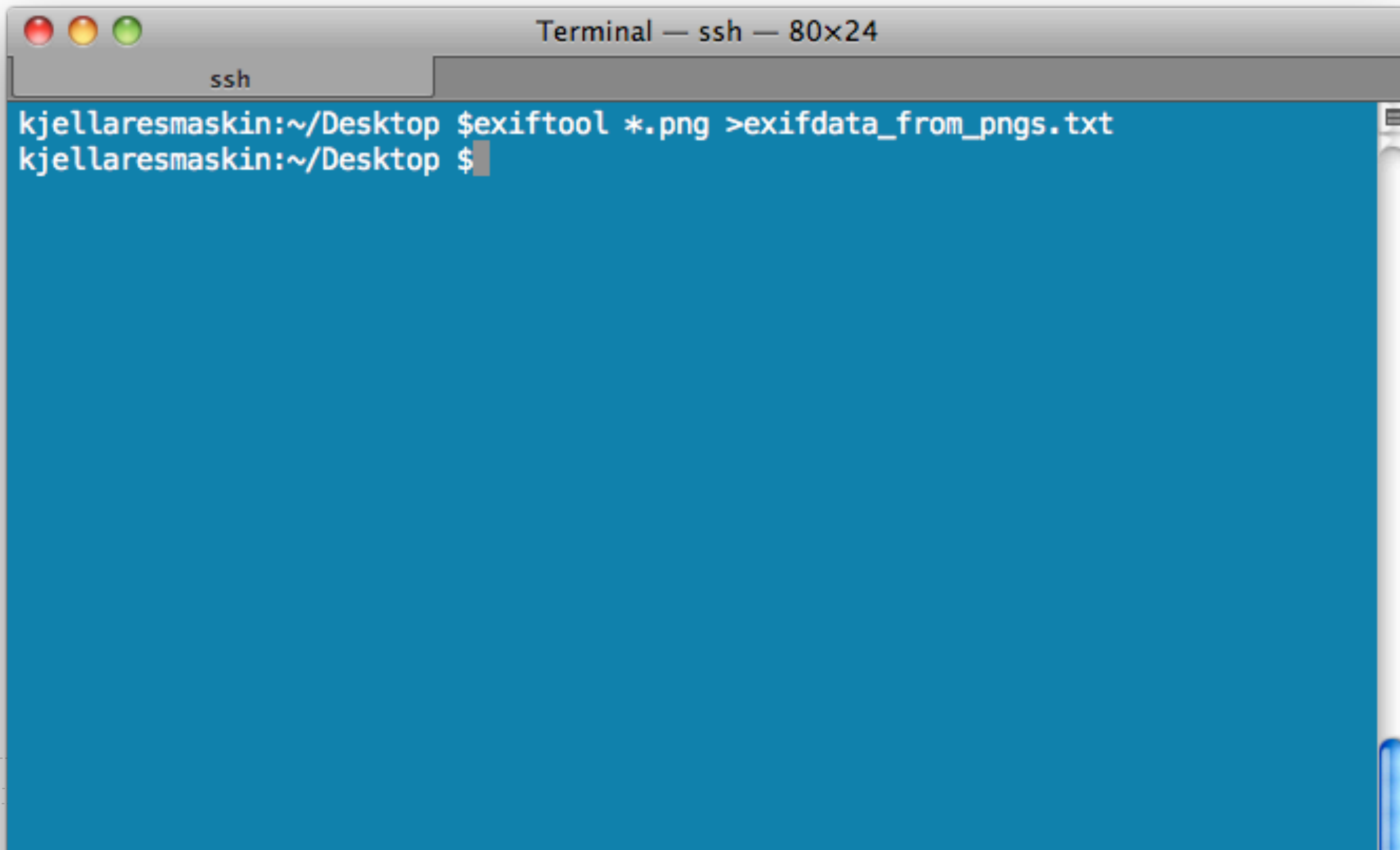
# COMMAND-LINE PROGRAMS

- `[doSomething] [how] [toFiles]`
- `[doSomething] [how] [sourceFile] [destinationFile]`
- `[doSomething] [how] < [inputFile] > [outputFile]`
- `[doSomething] [how] | [doSomething] [how] | [do Something] [how] > [outputFile]`

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Command\\_line\\_argument#Anatomy\\_of\\_a\\_shell\\_CLI](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Command_line_argument#Anatomy_of_a_shell_CLI)

A terminal window titled "Terminal — ssh — 80x24" with a tab labeled "ssh". The window has a blue background and a grey title bar with three window control buttons (red, yellow, green) on the left. The terminal text shows a user prompt "kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop" followed by the command "\$exiftool \*.png >exifdata\_from\_pngs.txt" and a second prompt "kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop \$" with a cursor. A scrollbar is visible on the right side of the terminal area.

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kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $exiftool *.png >exifdata_from_pngs.txt
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $
```

A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window. The title bar reads "Terminal — ssh — 80x24". A tab labeled "ssh" is visible. The terminal text shows a user named "kjellaresmaskin" at the "~ / Desktop" directory. The command "exiftool \*.png >exifdata\_from\_pngs.txt" has been executed, and the prompt "\$" is shown on the next line.

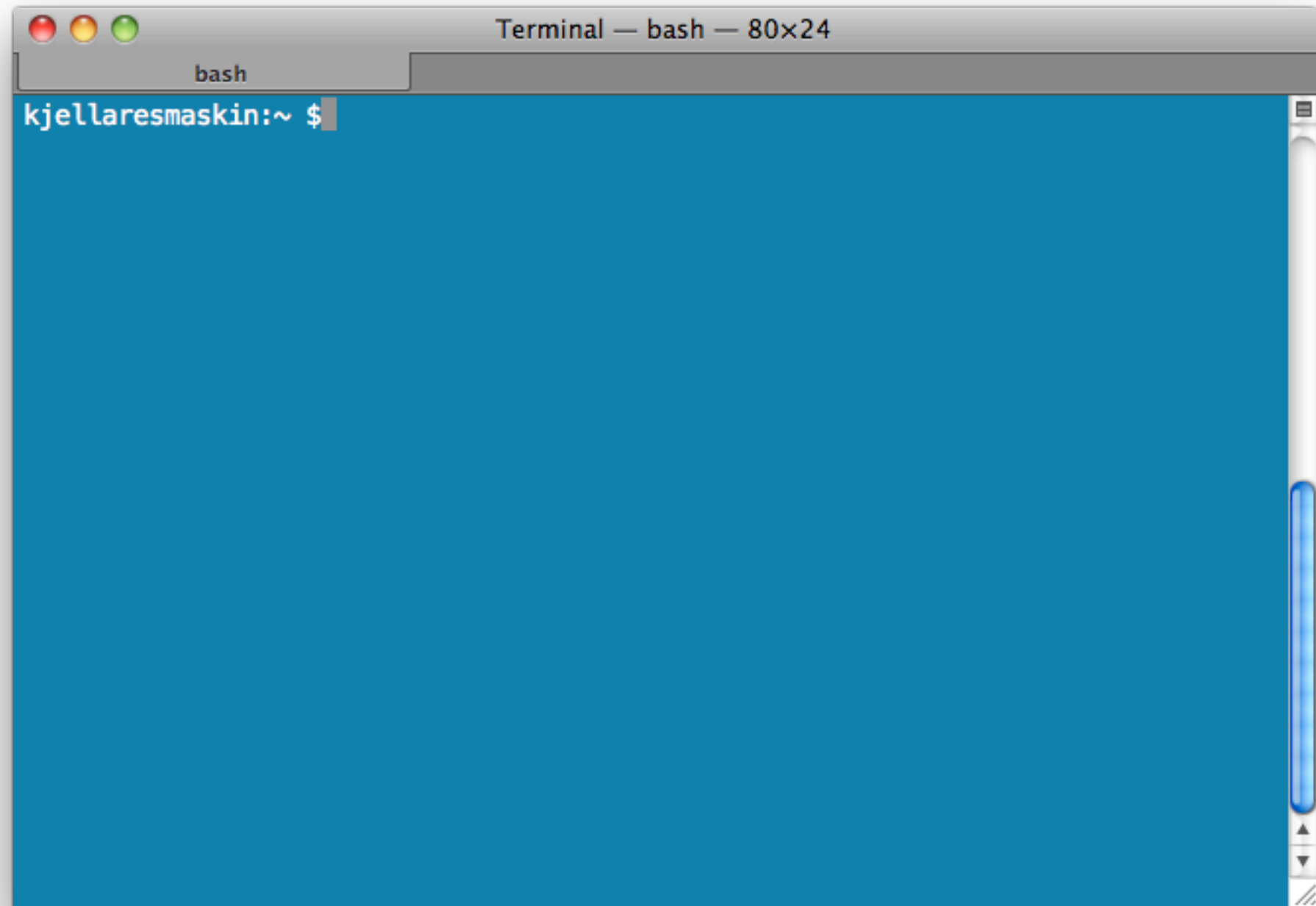
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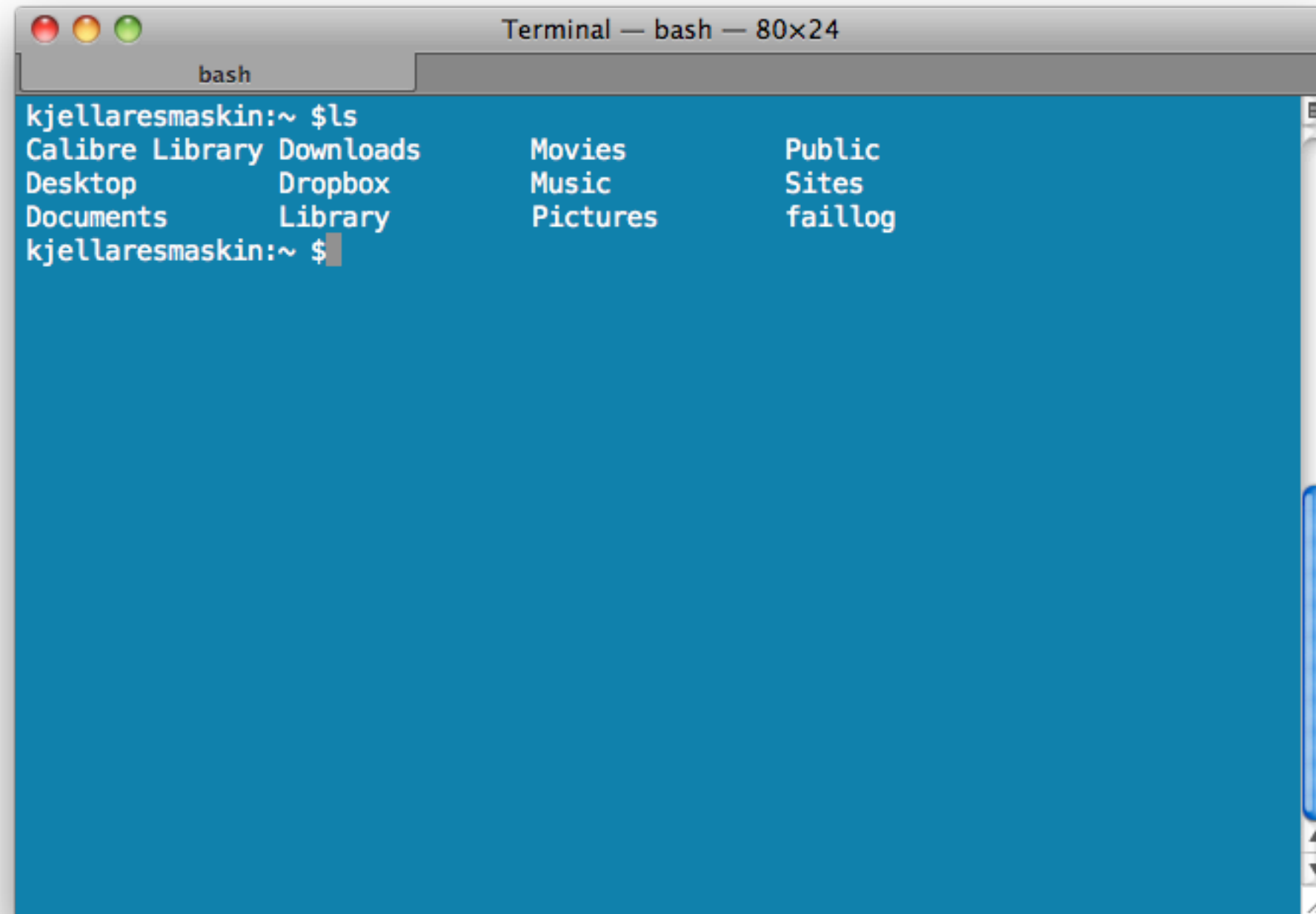
# UNIX

- 1969, AT&T (USA/Bell Labs)
- Multitasking, multiuser, timesharing server/workstation operating system
- Popular in academic institutions (open, sharing) and later as a system that drove the machines on connected to the internet
- Unix philosophy: small simple programs that does one thing very well and can pipe the result to another program for further processing
- Still very popular and driving most new mobile devices
- UNIX have been re-created in the shape of GNU/Linux and there are a lot of versions/distributions built on the open/free Linux kernel today

# UNIX

- UNIX™ owned by The Open Group (Technology Consortium)
- They certify systems to be branded as UNIX
- However, a lot of similar systems are branded “Unix-like” or “Un\*x”
  - FreeBSD
  - Linux (Android)



A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window. The title bar reads "Terminal — bash — 80x24". The window contains a single tab labeled "bash". The terminal text shows the user "kjellaesmaskin" at the home directory (~) executing the "ls" command. The output lists the following files and directories: Calibre Library, Downloads, Movies, Public, Desktop, Dropbox, Music, Sites, Documents, Library, Pictures, and faillog. The prompt "kjellaesmaskin:~ \$" is visible at the end of the output.

```
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Desktop      Dropbox      Music       Sites
Documents    Library     Pictures    faillog
kjellaesmaskin:~ $
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# RESOURCES

Questions from these Wikipedia articles may end up in the final written exam.

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- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History\\_of\\_computing\\_hardware](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_computing_hardware)
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- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timeline\\_of\\_operating\\_systems](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timeline_of_operating_systems)
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# Devices, formats, wrappers and compressors

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- Know different groups of file formats and their attributes
- Know the importance of metadata in a workflow environment



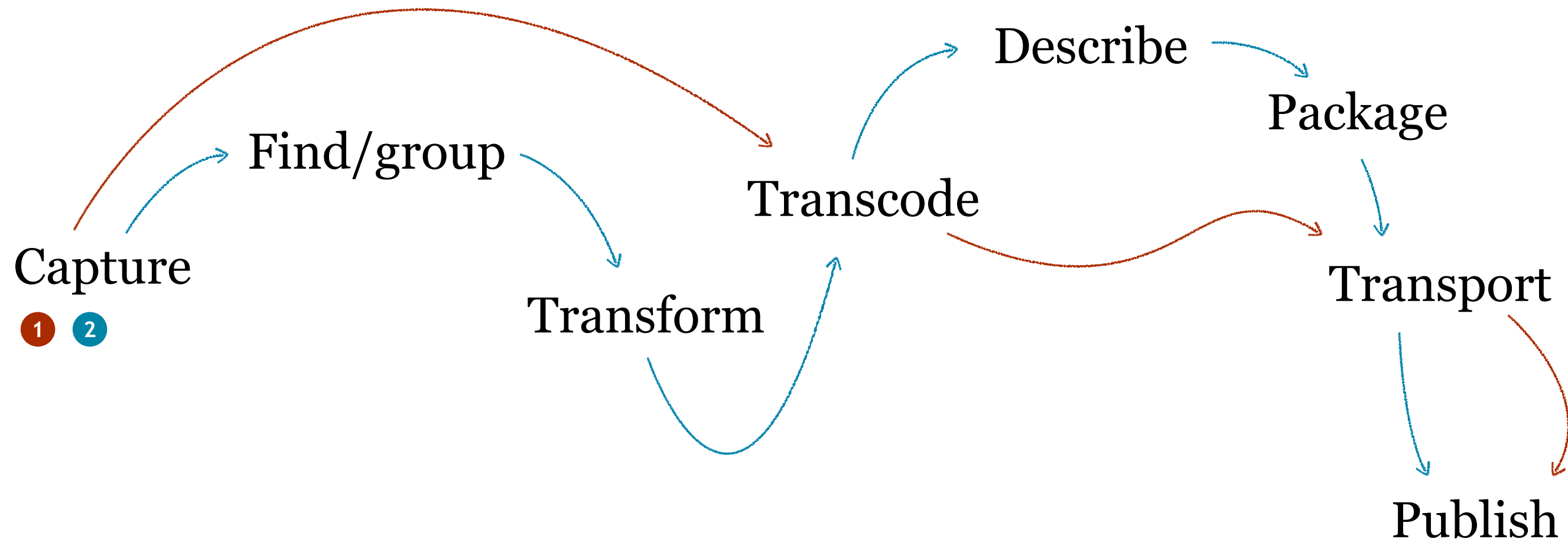
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- Capture and store data
- Typical ones are devices that capture images, sound, geo (gps)
- Format can be raw or processed
- Processed (jpg/mp3) can be compressed with a lossy compression algorithm and processing non-reversible. Beware of quality loss.
- Some modern devices today can be set up as a complete workflow in and of itself. Cameras/smartphones.

Can sometimes be set up to be a complete workflow.



# CAPTURE DEVICES

- When choosing one: look for a device that can capture high quality:
  - Data (i.e. images)
  - Metadata (data about the data). Location, date, time, face recog., compass, location.
- Metadata important later on as you want to search for images with specific characteristics.

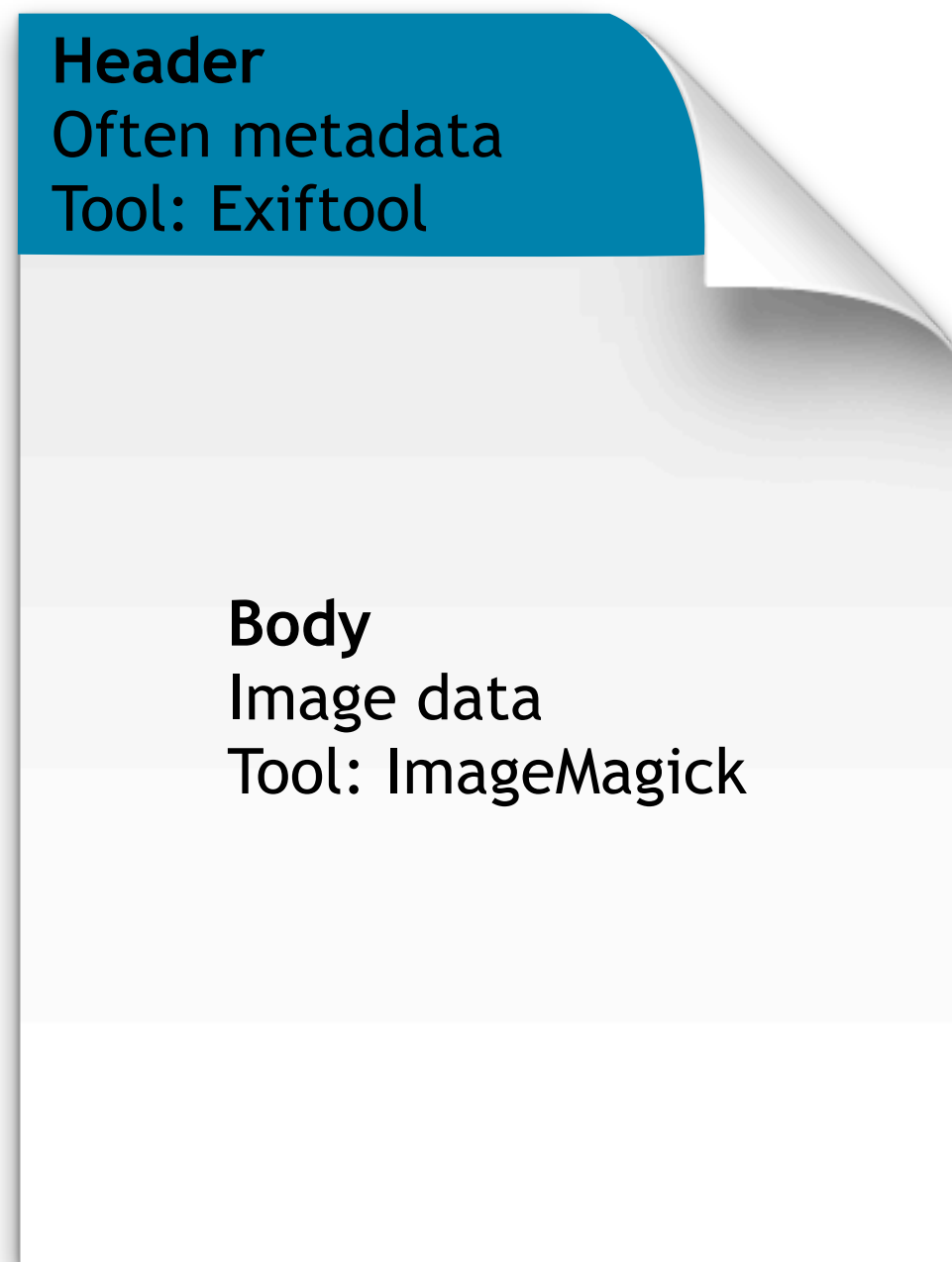
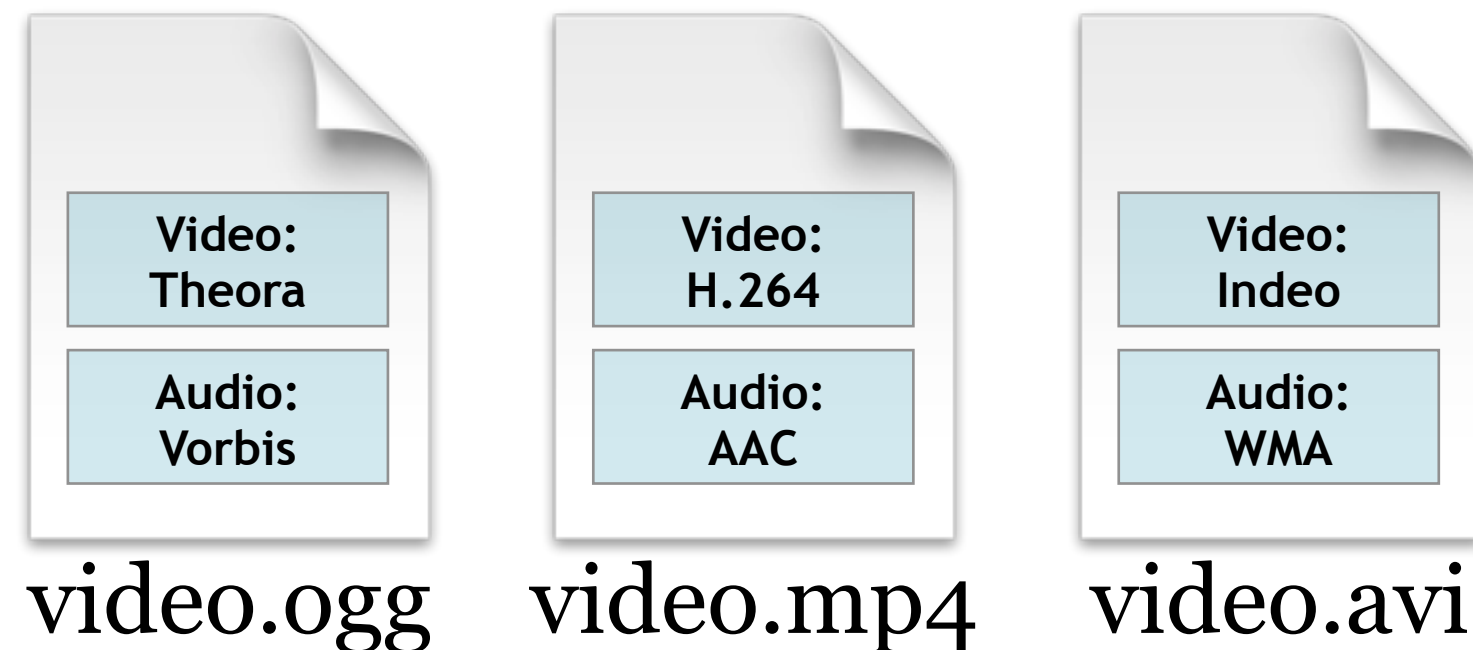


image.jpg

# WRAPPER FORMATS

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- Purpose: wrapping more than a single data format
- Typical example: video (sound+images)
- Wrapper format examples: OGG, MP4, AVI
- Inside them, compressed audio and video.

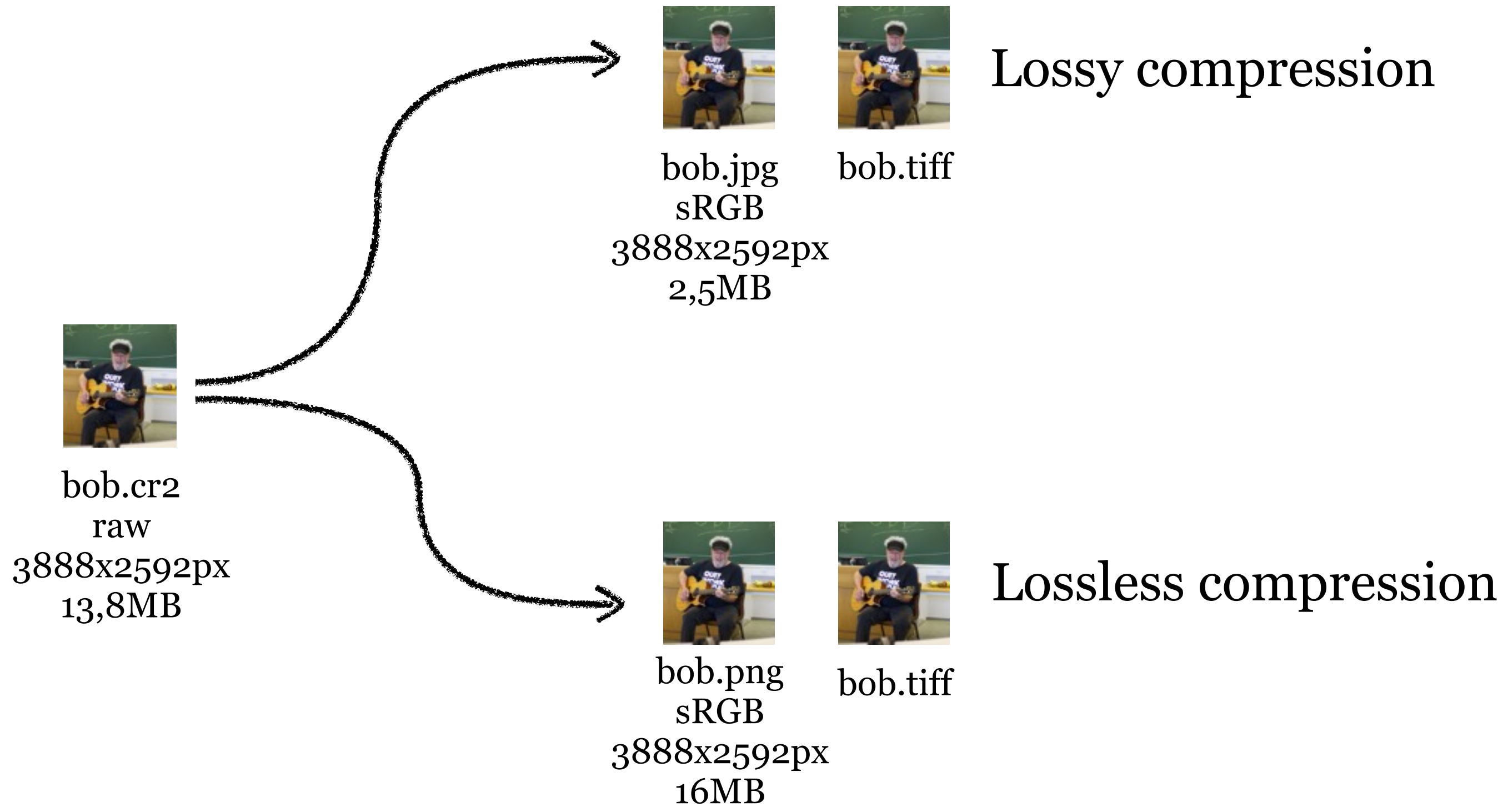


# COMPRESSION ALGORITHMS

# COMPRESSION ALGORITMS

- Purpose: compress data more to a more managable size that is can be moved and stored faster and cheaper
- Two main categories: lossless and lossy
  - Lossless: compresses data without loosing quality
  - Lossy: compresses data by removing data







bob.jpg | sRGB | 3888x2592px | 2,5MB



bob.cr2 | raw | 3888x2592px | 13,8MB



# METADATA



# METADATA

- Data describing data
- Often found in the file-header
- Filenames can also carry metadata
- Should be on your watch-list when buying devices
- Collecting a lot of metadata could you organise and find files and important when file numbers grow



Terminal — bash — 80x24

bash

```
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $exiftool *.JPG > metadata.txt  
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $
```

ExifTool Version Number : 7.93  
File Name : IMG\_0338.JPG  
Directory : .  
File Size : 2.2 MB  
File Modification Date/Time : 2010:08:31 14:52:56+02:00  
File Type : JPEG  
MIME Type : image/jpeg  
Exif Byte Order : Big-endian (Motorola, MM)  
Image Description : Back Camera  
Make : Apple  
Camera Model Name : iPhone  
Orientation : Horizontal (normal)  
X Resolution : 72  
Y Resolution : 72  
Resolution Unit : inches  
Software : 4.0.2  
Modify Date : 2010:08:31 14:52:56  
Y Cb Cr Positioning : Centered  
Exposure Time : 1/1436  
F Number : 2.4  
Exposure Program : Program AE



ISO : 80  
Exif Version : 0221  
Date/Time Original : 2010:08:31 14:52:56  
Create Date : 2010:08:31 14:52:56  
Components Configuration : Y, Cb, Cr, -  
Shutter Speed Value : 1/1436  
Aperture Value : 2.4  
Metering Mode : Average  
Flash : Auto, Did not fire  
Focal Length : 3.9 mm  
Subject Area : 1295 967 699 696  
Flashpix Version : 0100  
Color Space : sRGB  
Exif Image Width : 0  
Exif Image Height : 0  
Sensing Method : One-chip color area  
Exposure Mode : Auto  
White Balance : Auto  
Scene Capture Type : Standard  
Sharpness : Hard

GPS Latitude Ref : North  
GPS Longitude Ref : East  
GPS Time Stamp : 14:52:50.78  
GPS Img Direction Ref : True North  
GPS Img Direction : 287.5587302  
Compression : JPEG (old-style)  
Thumbnail Offset : 884  
Thumbnail Length : 9701  
Image Width : 2592  
Image Height : 1936  
Encoding Process : Baseline DCT, Huffman coding  
Bits Per Sample : 8  
Color Components : 3  
Y Cb Cr Sub Sampling : YCbCr4:2:0 (2 2)  
Aperture : 2.4  
GPS Latitude : 60 deg 47' 25.80" N  
GPS Longitude : 10 deg 41' 0.00" E  
GPS Position : 60 deg 47' 25.80" N, 10 deg 41' 0.00" E  
Image Size : 2592x1936  
Shutter Speed : 1/1436

Thumbnail Image : (Binary data 9701 bytes, use -b option  
to extract)  
Focal Length : 3.9 mm  
Light Value : 13.3

# IDENTIFICATION OF FILES

- Internet Assigned Numbers Authority
  - <http://www.iana.org/assignments/media-types/>
- Internet Engineering Task Force
  - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet\\_media\\_type](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet_media_type)
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Filename\\_extension](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Filename_extension)
- <http://www.file-extensions.org/>

# FILE FORMATS

- Closed, often binary and tied to a specific vendor to serve the vendor's needs (be careful of vendor lock-in situations and dependencies).  
Examples: .doc, .xls, .ppt, .fla, .cr2, .nef
- Open, often standardized by ISO, W3C, IEEE or other standardization organisations to be partly or completely open to everyone to use.  
Examples: svg, html, kml, css, jpg, tiff

Flash vs HTML5/CSS3/Javascript?

# Sustainability

*“Digital sustainability is the collection, processing, and presentation of our data today - done without limiting future generations to access and manipulate the same data.”*

Freely adapted from a definition of “sustainability” in general, used in the Bruntland report, “Our common Future”, 1987  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Our\\_Common\\_Future](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Our_Common_Future)

# Sustainability factors - file formats

Library of Congress (USA)

<http://www.digitalpreservation.gov/formats/>

[Disclosure](#)

[Adoption](#)

[Transparency](#)

[Self-documentation](#)

[External dependencies](#)

[Impact of patents](#)

[Technical protection mechanisms](#)

# Sustainability factors - file formats

Norwegian Ministry of Government Administration, Reform and Church Affairs:

<http://www.regjeringen.no/en/dep/fad/press-centre/press-releases/2009/new-obligatory-it-standards-for-the-stat.html?id=570650>

## In short, this is the content of the government decision:

- On government operated web sites, from 1.1.2012 it will be obligatory to publish multimedia content in open formats:
  - For video: Theora/Vorbis/Ogg or H.264/AAC/MP4.
  - For sound: Vorbis/Ogg, MP3 or FLAC/Ogg.
  - For pictures: JPEG or PNG.
- When exchanging documents as attachments to e-mail between government institutions and users, from 1.1.2011 it will be obligatory to use the document formats PDF or ODF.
- Version change: From 1.1.2010 the ODF version 1.1 is to be used.
- The standard for character sets ISO10646, represented by UTF8, is to be used at all new ICT projects in the government sector. From 1.1.2012, UTF8 is to be used during electronic information exchange. It will possible to make exemptions from this demand in special cases.

The UTF8 decision is an important step in enabling the public sector to handle characters in the Sami language and other languages in a correct way. At first, the obligatory demands will only be applied to the state sector. The Ministry of Government Administration and Reform is planning regulations to make the obligatory standards applicable for the municipal sector as well.





## ASSIGNMENTS

- Connect a preferred device to your UNIX machine (i.e. camera) and download data from the device to your machine
- Transcode the data into different data format (i.e. JPEG to PNG) using imagemagick (see documentation online)
- Read through wiki articles in this lecture



## RESOURCES

- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data\\_compression](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_compression)
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison\\_of\\_container\\_formats](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_container_formats)
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Container\\_format\\_\(digital\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Container_format_(digital))
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File\\_format](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File_format)
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vendor\\_lock-in](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vendor_lock-in)
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data\\_compression#Compression\\_algorithms](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_compression#Compression_algorithms)



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# Tools for transforming common datatypes



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<http://www.ansatt.hig.no/kjellr/imt4892>



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## © TODAY'S GOAL

- Know how the difference between transforming and transcoding data
- Learn how to transform and transcode common file-based datatypes



# INFORMATION

## TO NEW STUDENTS

The Reqrutment Survey for 2011 are now sent out to all first semester students at the bachelor level and students following one-year programmes.

Topics are demography, information retrieval, choice of study, the admission process, semester start, the first weeks at GUC and motivation, among other things.

Sincerely,  
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Gjøvik University College



# CODE

*A code is a rule for converting a piece of information (for example, a letter, word, phrase, or gesture) into another form or representation (one sign into another sign), not necessarily of the same type.*

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Code>

# ENCODING/DECODING

*In communications and information processing, encoding is the process by which information from a source is converted into symbols to be communicated.*

*Decoding is the reverse process, converting these code symbols back into information understandable by a receiver.*

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Encoder>

# TRANSCODE

*Transcoding is the direct digital-to-digital data conversion of one encoding to another,[1] such as for movie data files or audio files.*

*This is usually done in cases where a target device (or workflow) does not support the format or has limited storage capacity that mandates a reduced file size,[1] or to convert incompatible or obsolete data to a better-supported or modern format.*

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transcoding>

# TRANSFORM

*Transform coding is a type of data compression for "natural" data like audio signals or photographic images. The transformation is typically lossy, resulting in a lower quality copy of the original input.*

*In transform coding, knowledge of the application is used to choose information to discard, thereby lowering its bandwidth. The remaining information can then be compressed via a variety of methods. When the output is decoded, the result may not be identical to the original input, but is expected to be close enough for the purpose of the application.*

Source: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transform\\_coding](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transform_coding)

# TRANSCODING

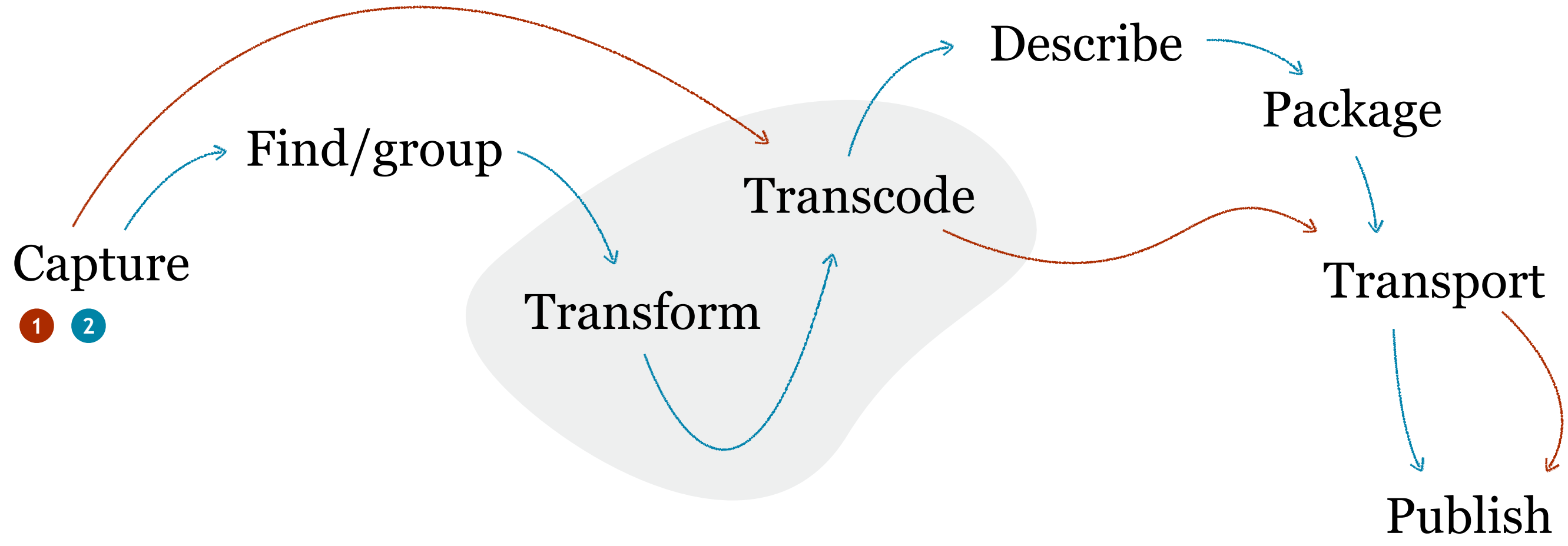
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Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transcoding>

# SUMMATION

- Transcoding: JPG > PNG
- Transforming: 3000x2000 px > 640x480 px
- A digital workflow often includes both
- The tools we have selected for media processing can do both



# Toolbox

<b>Text</b>	<b>Images/graphs</b>	<b>Geodata</b>	<b>Audio</b>	<b>Video</b>	<b>Metadata</b>
grep	imagemagick	gpsbabel	ffmpeg	ffmpeg	exiftool
sed	gnuplot			mplayer	
awk	dcraw			vlc	
cut					
find					
cat					

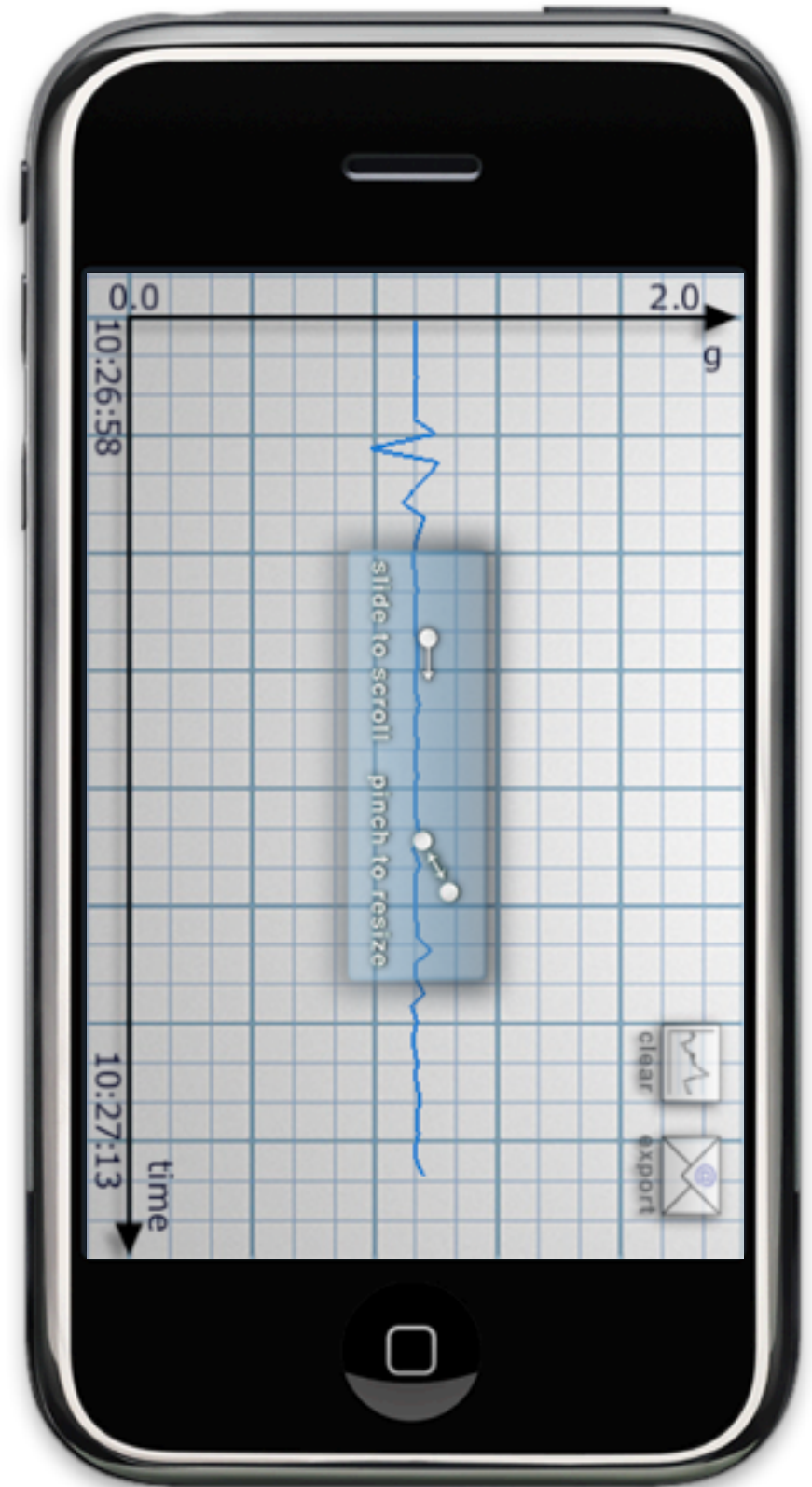
For more software - go to your package installer repository to look for more

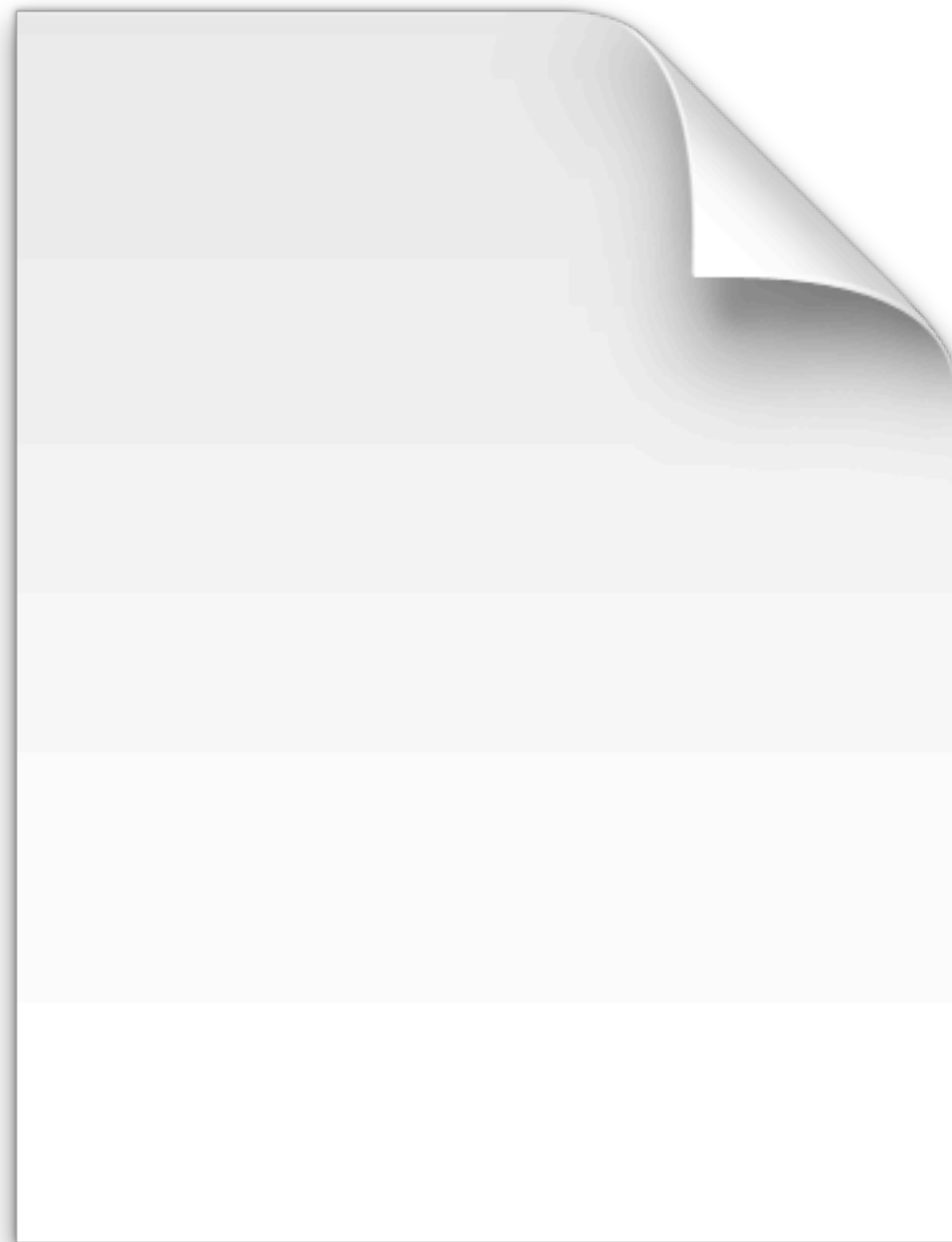


# CHARACTER ENCODING IN TEXT

- System of bitstreams to describe alfa-numeric (and other) characters that you type. Many systems out there.
  - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Character\\_encoding](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Character_encoding)
- Please use Unicode at ALL times (UTF-8)
  - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/UTF-8>
- Web pages:
  - **store** html/css files as UTF-8 encoded text
  - **declare** UTF-8 and character encoding method in the top of HTML doc.
  - make your web server **deliver** UTF-8 characters

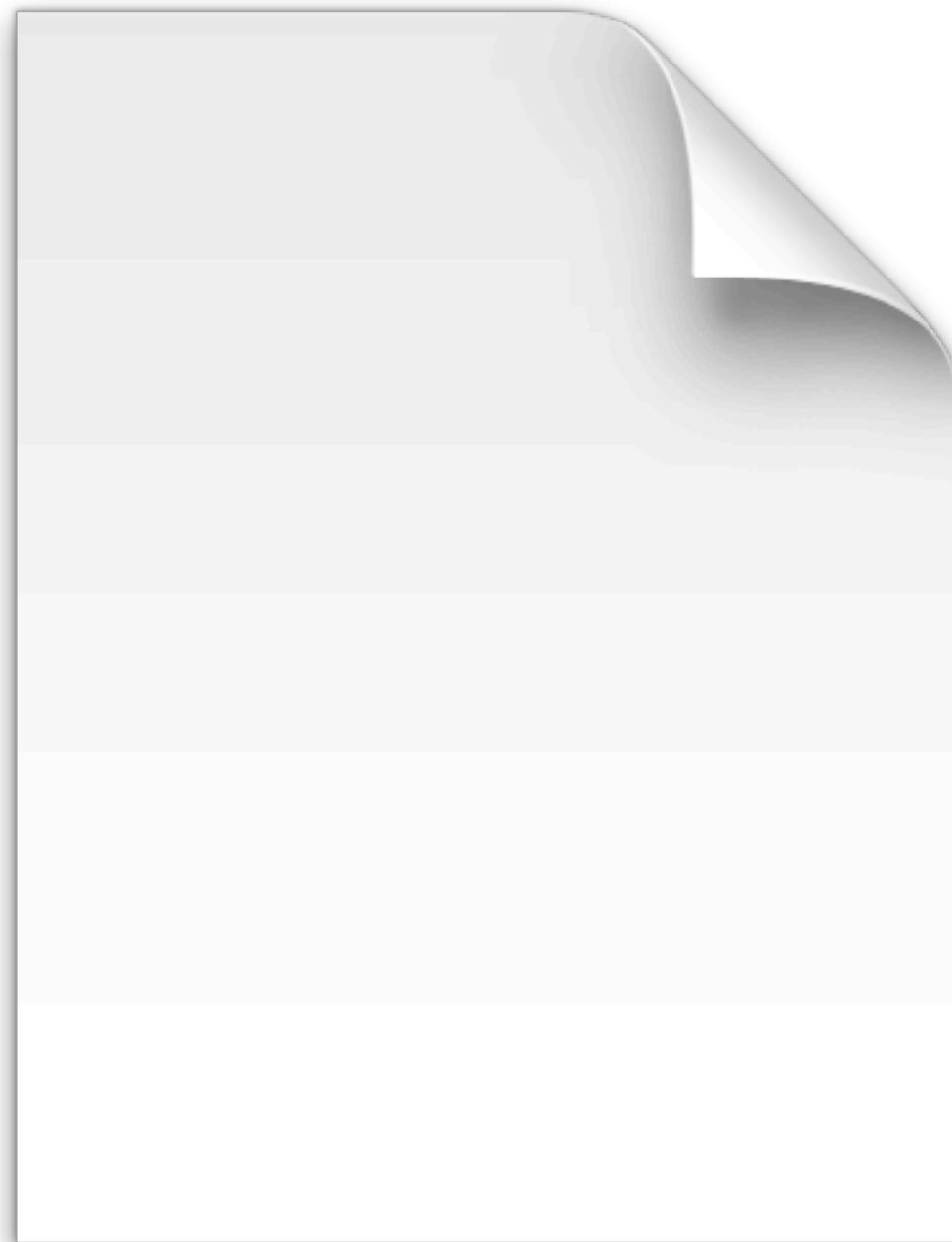
**Text**





**g\_force.csv**

```
Time ; Speed (km/h)
07:31:22 ; 0.150169
07:31:23 ; 0.075085
07:31:24 ; 0.037542
07:31:25 ; 0.018771
07:31:26 ; 0.009386
07:31:27 ; 0.004693
07:31:28 ; 0.002346
07:31:29 ; 0.001173
07:31:30 ; 0.000587
07:31:31 ; 0.000293
07:31:32 ; 0.000147
07:31:33 ; 0.000073
07:31:34 ; 0.000037
07:31:35 ; 0.000018
07:31:36 ; 0.000009
```



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```

less

```
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $cut -f 2 -d ';' g_force.csv | sed '1d' > g_force_processed.csv  
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $
```

Time	Speed (km/h)	
07:31:22	0.150169	0.075085
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07:31:30	0.000587	0.000293
07:31:31	0.000293	0.000147

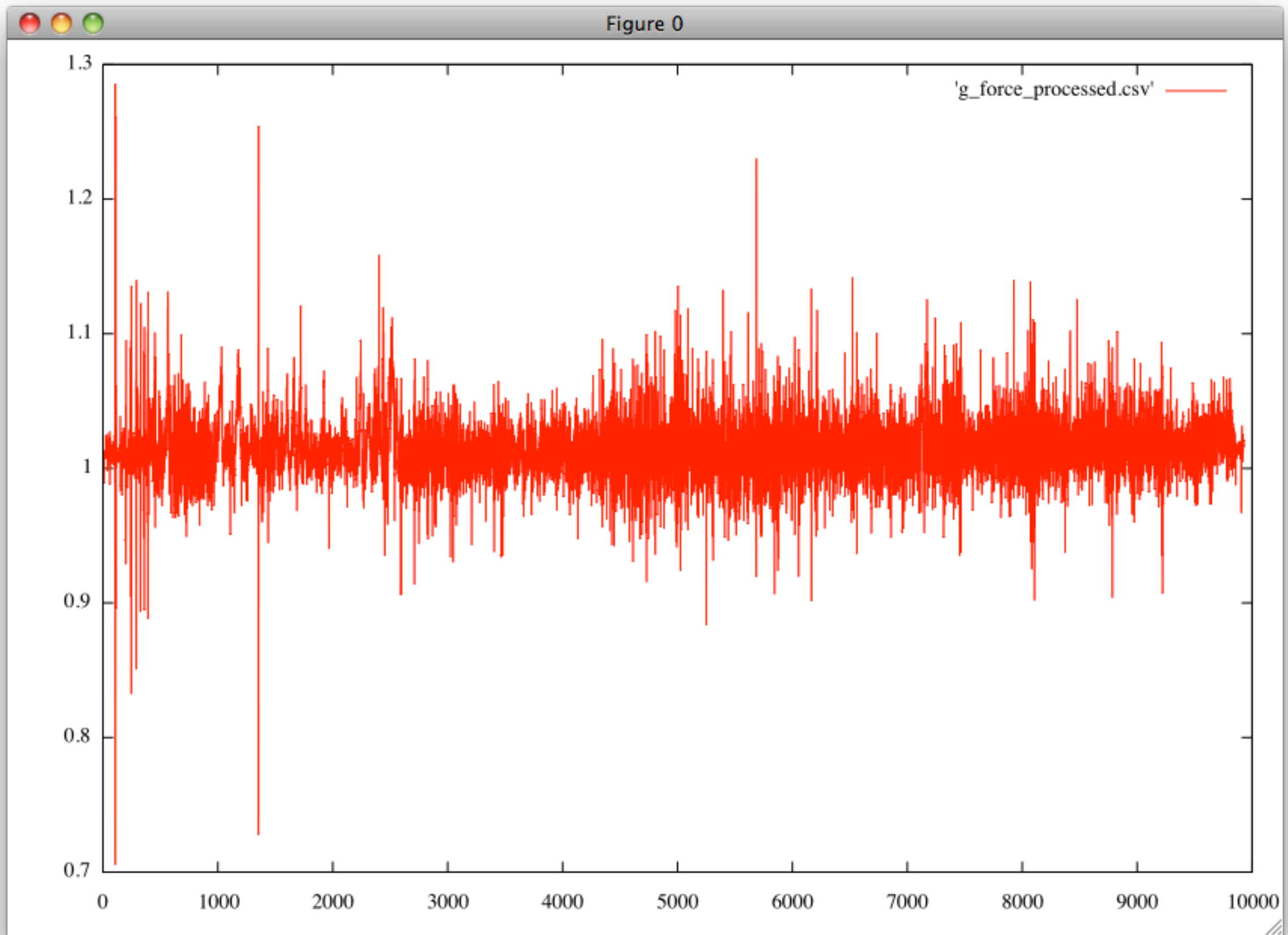
```
Terminal — bash — 92x25
bash
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $cut -f 2 -d ';' g_force.csv | sed '1d' > g_force_processed.csv
kjellaresmaskin:~/Desktop $gnuplot

G N U P L O T
Version 4.4 patchlevel 0
last modified March 2010
System: Darwin 10.4.0

Copyright (C) 1986–1993, 1998, 2004, 2007–2010
Thomas Williams, Colin Kelley and many others

gnuplot home:      http://www.gnuplot.info
faq, bugs, etc:   type "help seeking-assistance"
immediate help:   type "help"
plot window:      hit 'h'

Terminal type set to 'aqua'
gnuplot> plot 'g_force_processed.csv' with lines
gnuplot>
```





# Text manipulation

- Important to know
- A whole lot of basic text-manipulation tools in UNIX:  
sed, ed, grep, awk, find, cut, sort, tr,
- Read up on them in the book
- Create a text-file with useful command-lines to that you can remember them and easily create new ones

# Images

ImageMagick - very powerful tool for transforming and/or transcoding image data

```
mogrify -resize 50% -format jpg *.PNG
```

[transmogrify]



destination



source files

<http://www.imagemagick.org/script/command-line-tools.php>  
for more information on imagemagick commands and parameters.

# Metadata

ExifTool - very powerful tool for transforming and/or transcoding metadata

```
exiftool "-Artist=Kjell Are Refsvik" -overwrite_original *.jpg
```

<http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/#running>  
for more information on ExifTool commands and parameters.



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**Oppland**  
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radiometro radiometro

  
ARTSOLUTION

Sparebanken  
HEDMARK  
Sparebanken  
HEDMARK

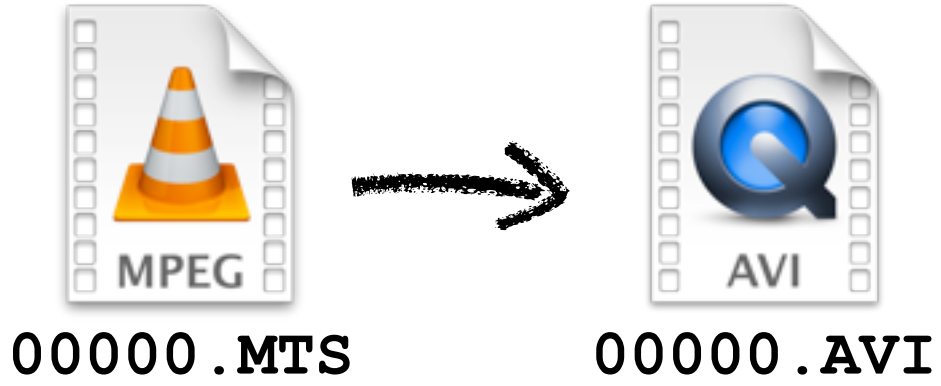
**Coca-Cola**



```

ExifTool Version Number      : 8.29
File Name                    : 00000.MTS
Directory                    : .
File Size                    : 15 MB
File Modification Date/Time   : 2009:01:30 21:02:20+01:00
File Permissions              : rwxrwxrwx
File Type                    : M2TS
MIME Type                    : video/m2ts
Video Stream Type            : H.264 Video
Audio Stream Type            : A52/AC-3 Audio
Audio Bitrate                : 256000
Surround Mode                : Not indicated
Audio Channels                : 2
Image Width                  : 1440
Image Height                  : 1080
Date/Time Original           : 2009:01:30 22:02:01+00:00
Aperture Setting             : Auto
Gain                          : 3 dB
Exposure Program             : Program AE
White Balance                 : Auto
Focus                        : Auto (0.045)
Image Stabilization           : On
F Number                     : 1.8
Make                         : Sony
Audio Sample Rate            : 48000
Aperture                     : 1.8
Image Size                   : 1440x1080

```

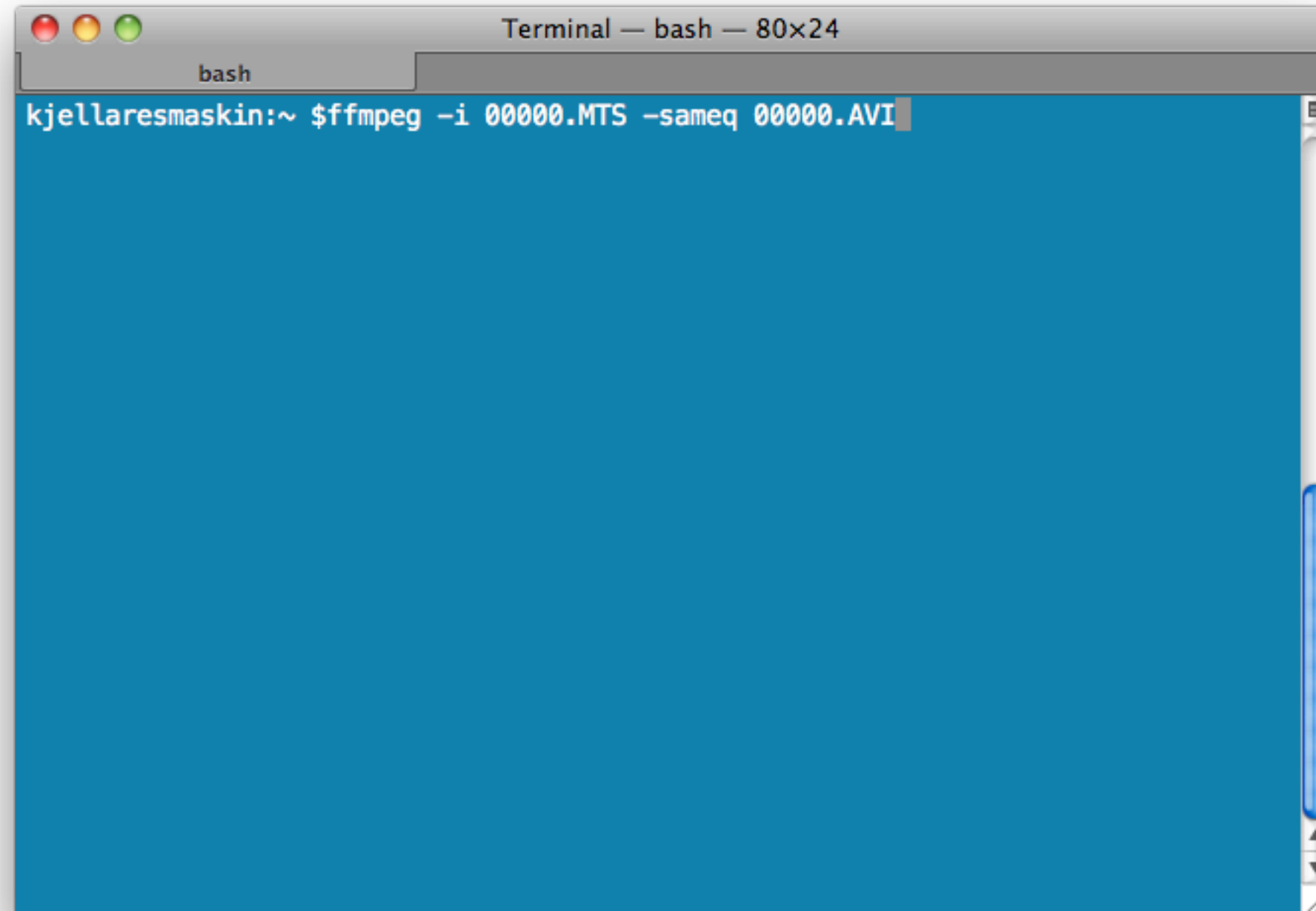


```

ExifTool Version Number      : 8.29
File Name                    : 00000.AVI
Directory                    : .
File Size                    : 49 MB
File Modification Date/Time   : 2011:09:12 13:55:49+02
File Permissions              : rw-r--r--
File Type                    : AVI
MIME Type                    : video/avi
Frame Rate                   : 50
Max Data Rate                 : 32.23 kB/s
Frame Count                   : 937
Stream Count                  : 2
Stream Type                   : Video
Video Codec                   : FMP4
Video Frame Rate              : 50
Video Frame Count             : 937
Quality                       : Default
Sample Size                   : Variable
Image Width                   : 1440
Image Height                  : 1080
Planes                        : 1
Bit Depth                     : 24
Compression                   : FMP4
Image Length                  : 4665600
Pixels Per Meter X            : 0
Pixels Per Meter Y            : 0
Num Colors                    : Use BitDepth
Num Important Colors           : All
Audio Codec                   : .
Audio Sample Rate             : 41.67
Audio Sample Count            : 780
Encoding                      : Microsoft MPEG
Num Channels                   : 2
Sample Rate                   : 48000
Avg Bytes Per Sec             : 8000
Bits Per Sample               : 0
Software                      : Lavf52.64.2
Duration                      : 18.74 s
Image Size                    : 1440x1080

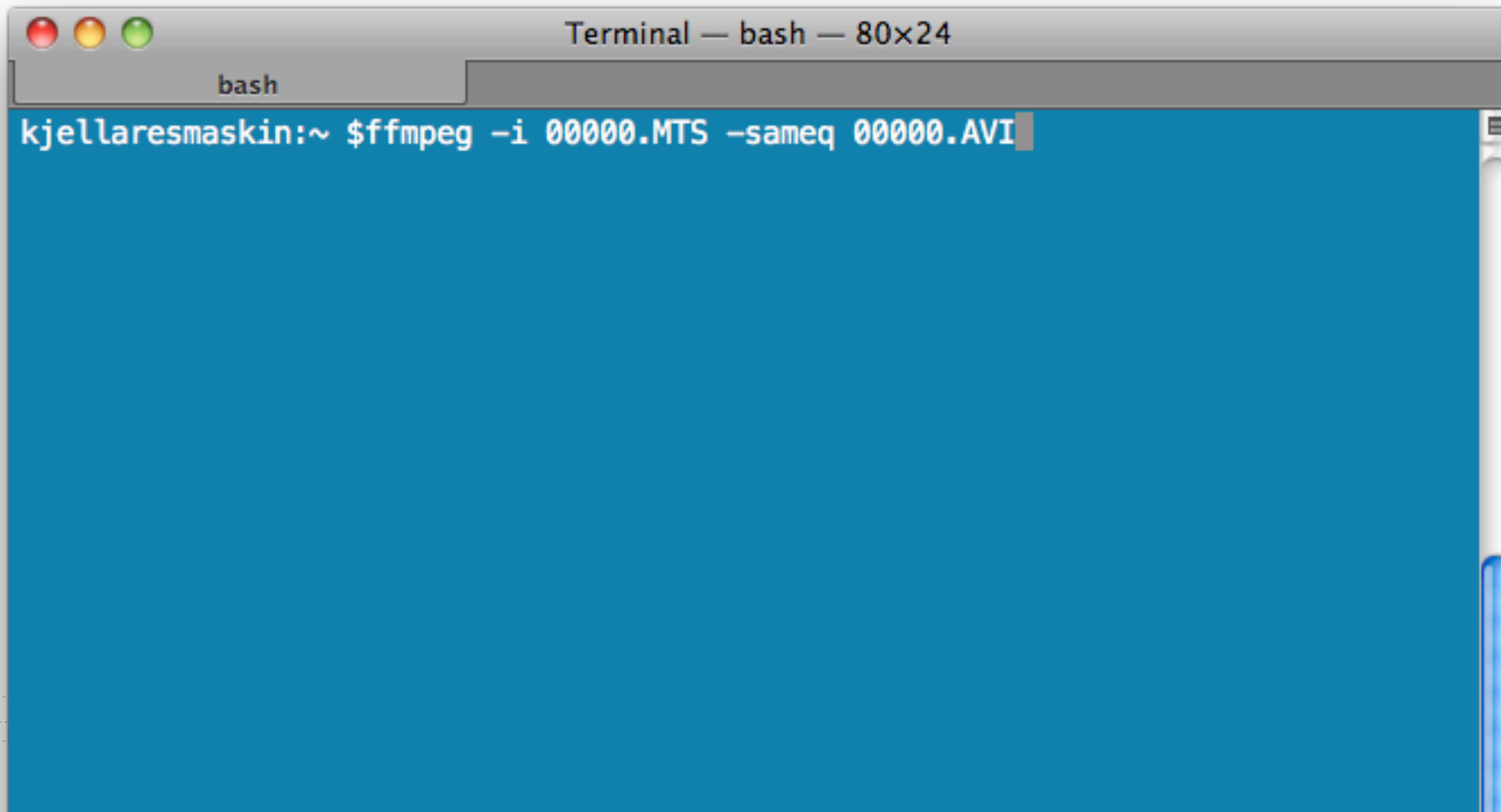
```

# VIDEO

A screenshot of a terminal window with a blue background. The window title is "Terminal — bash — 80x24". The prompt is "kjellaresmaskin:~". The command entered is "\$ffmpeg -i 00000.MTS -sameq 00000.AVI".

```
Terminal — bash — 80x24
bash
kjellaresmaskin:~ $ffmpeg -i 00000.MTS -sameq 00000.AVI
```

# VIDEO

A screenshot of a macOS Terminal window. The title bar reads "Terminal — bash — 80x24". The window has three tabs, with the first one labeled "bash". The terminal content shows the prompt "kjellaresmaskin:~" followed by the command "\$ffmpeg -i 00000.MTS -sameq 00000.AVI" with a cursor at the end. The terminal background is blue.

```
Terminal — bash — 80x24
bash
kjellaresmaskin:~ $ffmpeg -i 00000.MTS -sameq 00000.AVI
```

# Video

NTK



7+ hrs television programme about the trainride from Bergen to Oslo (500+ km).

22GB file shared on the web.

How do we make a short/quick version using UNIX tools?

Destination:

[http://www.ansatt.hig.no/kjellr/misc/20100128\\_Bergensbanen\\_0328.html](http://www.ansatt.hig.no/kjellr/misc/20100128_Bergensbanen_0328.html)

[Source: http://nrkbeta.no/2009/12/18/bergensbanen-eng/](http://nrkbeta.no/2009/12/18/bergensbanen-eng/)



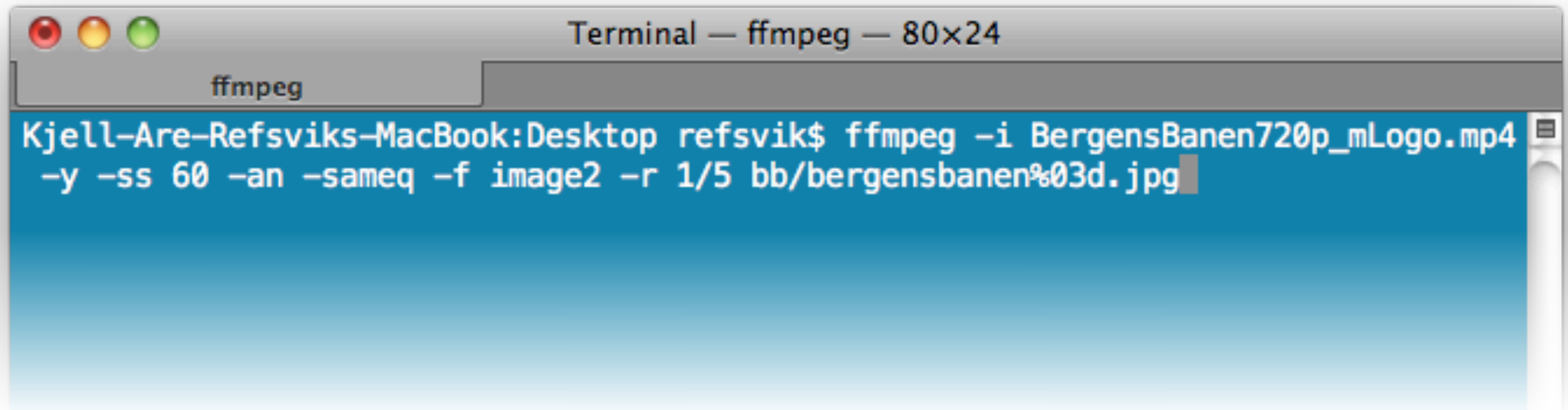
Terminal — ffmpeg — 80x24

ffmpeg

```
Kjell-Are-Refsviks-MacBook:Desktop refsвик$ ffmpeg -i BergensBanen720p_mLogo.mp4  
-y -ss 60 -an -sameq -f image2 -r 1/5 bb/bergensbanen%03d.jpg
```

```
ffmpeg -i BergensBanen720p_mLogo.mp4 -y -ss 60 -an -sameq -f image2 -r 1/5 bb/bergensbanen%03d.jpg
```

the program we are running	input filename	over-write output files	seek 60 seconds out for the next frame	audio = null	dest. quality same as source	output format	frame-rate = 1/5 frame per second	output filename with option to add a frame number for each jpg file.
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A lot of potential here to make this smarter, and also have it create the final .mp4 when it is done.

# Audio

ffmpeg - very powerful tool for transforming and/or transcoding audio data

```
ffmpeg -b 192k -i file.wav file.mp3
```

<http://ffmpeg.org/>

for more information on gpsbabel commands and parameters.

# Geodata

gpsbabel - very powerful tool for transforming and/or transcoding gps data

- `gpsbabel -t -i gpx -f trip.gpx -x track,start=2010090709,stop=2010090719 -o kml -F out.kml`

<http://gpsbabel.org>

for more information on gpsbabel commands and parameters.

# Geodata

gpsbabel - very powerful tool for transforming and/or transcoding gps data

- `gpsbabel -t -i gpx -f trip.gpx -x track,start=2010090709,stop=2010090719 -o kml -F out.kml`
  - ↑ software
  - ↑ read track data
  - ↑ input format is .gpx
  - ↑ input filename
  - ↑ extract data between start and stop
  - ↑ output format is .kml
  - ↑ output filename is "out.kml"

<http://gpsbabel.org>

for more information on gpsbabel commands and parameters.



## ASSIGNMENTS

- Try to transform and transcode different data-types (images, geo, video, audio)





## RESOURCES

- <http://www.gpsbabel.org/readme.html>
- <http://www.imagemagick.org/script/command-line-tools.php?ImageMagick=vg5hihs3gg8m5gh684ggul07i4>
- <http://ffmpeg.org/documentation.html>
- <http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/>





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