

# CSC231-Assembly

Week #2

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# Outline

- Labs: emacs, assembly
- Assembly + Linking Process
- Object files
- DB directive: *Everything is a byte!*
- HexDump: we need to learn hexadecimal!
- Ascii Table

# Emacs

# Lab #1: Emacs



- ssh to aurora

```
ssh -Y 231b-xx@aurora.smith.edu
```

- Emacs demo
- Basic commands

**^X^C**

**^G**

**^D**

**^K**

**^Y**

**cursor keys**

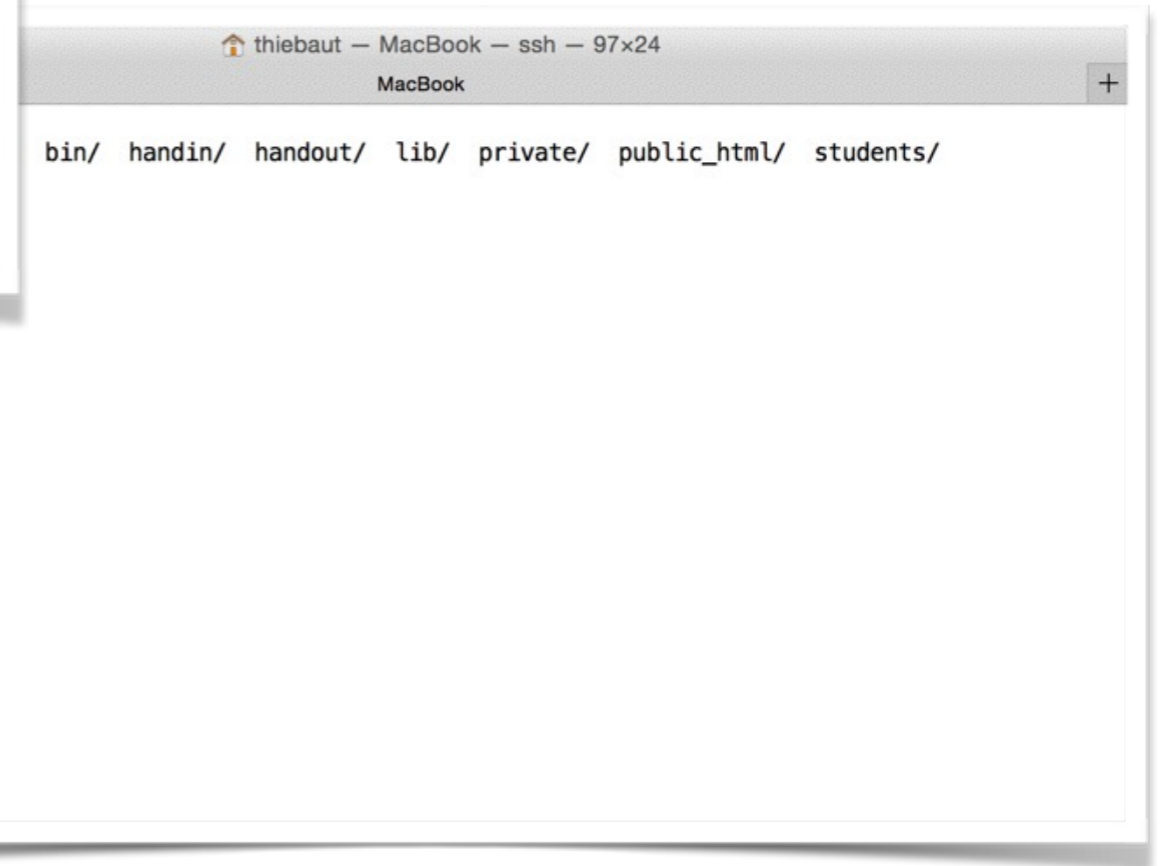
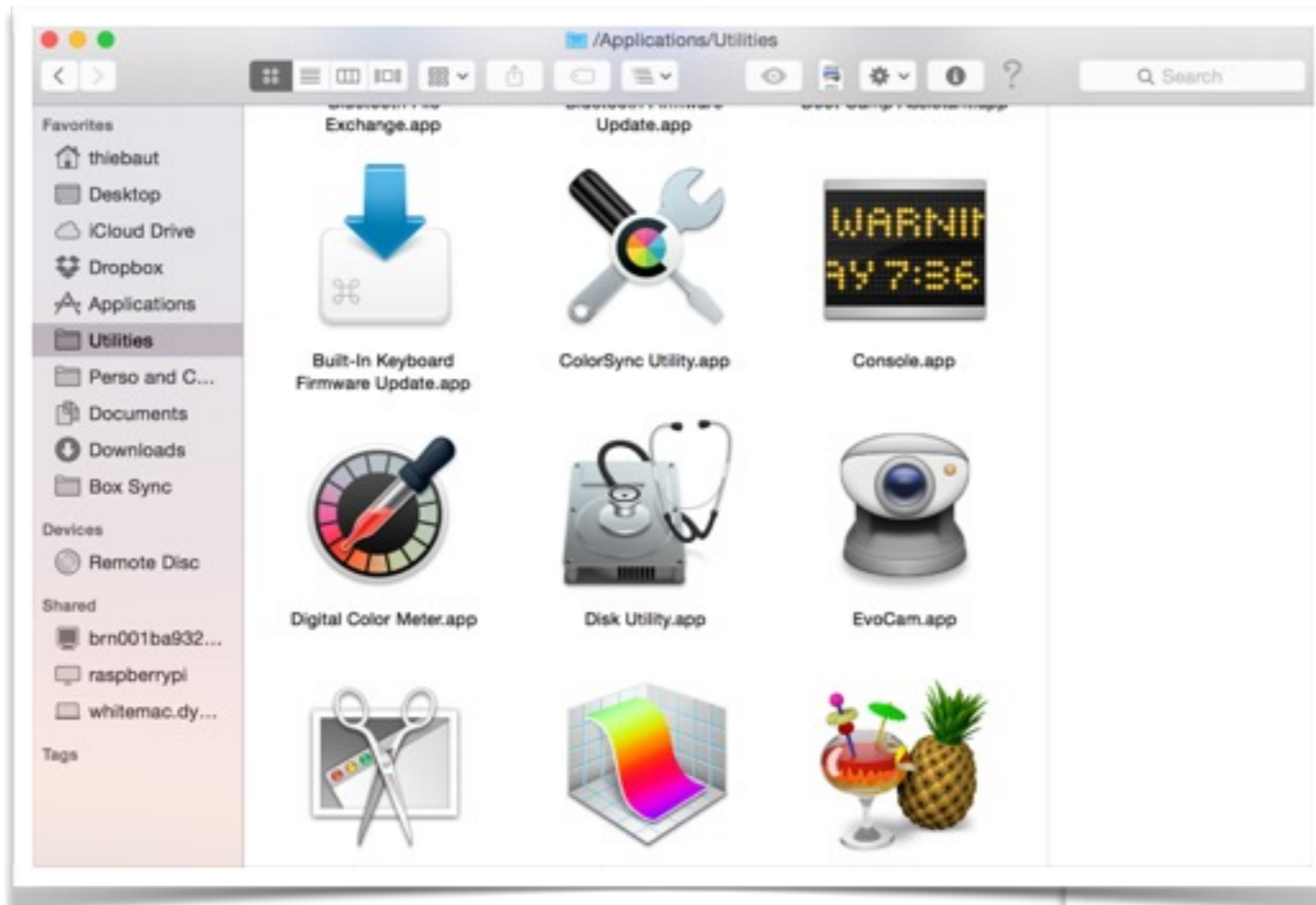
# Shell



A terminal window titled "thiebaut — MacBook — ssh — 97x24" with a sub-label "MacBook" and a "+" button in the top right corner. The terminal shows a shell session where the user "aurora" has executed the command "ls". The output of the command is a directory listing: "231b-t1/ 231b-t2/ bin/ handin/ handout/ lib/ private/ public\_html/ students/". The prompt "aurora:~>" is shown again on the next line with a cursor.

```
thiebaut — MacBook — ssh — 97x24
MacBook
aurora:~> ls
231b-t1/ 231b-t2/ bin/ handin/ handout/ lib/ private/ public_html/ students/
aurora:~> █
```

# Shell



# 3 Useful Linux Commands

- **ls** (ell ess) list all files in a folder/**directory**
- **cp** copy file
- **cd** change directory

# Linux Commands

command -switches file-name(s)



# Linux Commands

command -switches file-name(s)

```
ls -l
```

```
ls *.asm
```

```
ls *.o
```

```
ls hello*
```

```
ls -l
```

```
man ls
```



LAB TIME!

# Skeleton

```
;;; program_name.asm
;;; your name
;;;
;;; a description of the program
;;;
;;; to assemble and run:
;;;
;;;     nasm -f elf -F stabs program.asm
;;;     ld -melf_i386 -o program program.o
;;;     ./program
;;; -----
;#include files here...

;; -----
;; data areas
;; -----

section .data

;; -----
;; code area
;; -----

section .text
global _start

_start:

    ;; (add your code here!!!!)

    ;; exit()
    mov     eax, 1
    mov     ebx, 0
    int     0x80                ; final system call
```

# Hello World!

```
;;; helloWorld.asm
;;; D. Thiebaut
;;;
;;; Display "Hello there!" on the screen
;;;
;;; To assemble, link, and run:
;;;     nasm -f elf helloWorld.asm
;;;     ld -melf_i386 -o helloWorld helloWorld.o
;;;     ./helloWorld
;;;

Hello      section .data
HelloLen   db      "Hello there!"
           equ     $-Hello

           section .text
           global _start

_start:

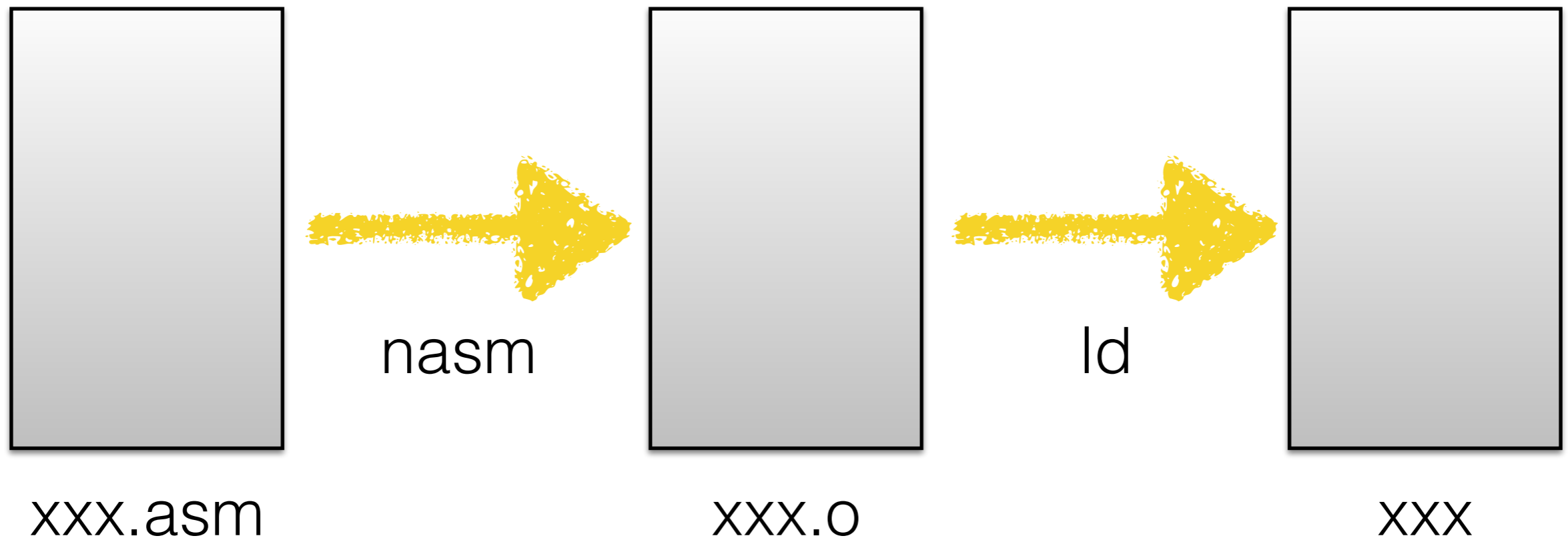
;;; print message

           mov     eax, 4           ; write
           mov     ebx, 1           ; stdout
           mov     ecx, Hello       ; address of message to print
           mov     edx, HelloLen    ; # of chars to print
           int     0x80

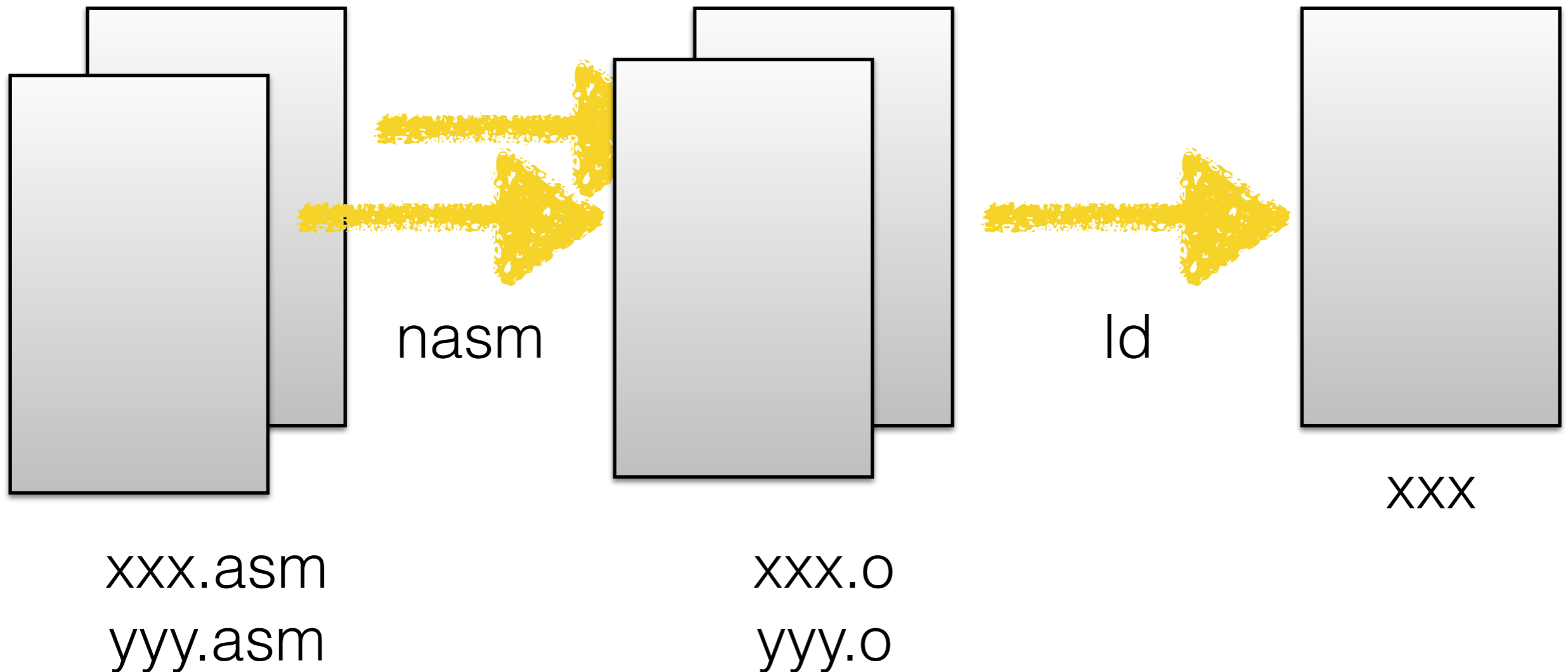
;;; exit

           mov     ebx, 0
           mov     eax, 1
           int     0x80
```

# Assembly+Linking



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# DB: byte storage

```
Hello  
HelloLen  
  
section .data  
db      "Hello there!"  
equ     $-Hello
```

- A byte is...
- DB: "**D**efine **B**yte of storage"  
stores information in a byte format  
(could be more than 1 byte)
- **The X86 memory is a memory of bytes**

# Data Section vs Memory

message

db

"hello", 10





**We stopped here last time...**



# Data Section vs Memory

```
message    db    "hello"  
           db    10
```



# Data Section vs Memory

```
message    db    "hel"  
           db    "lo"  
           db    10
```



# Data Section vs Memory

```
message      db      104, "e1"  
             db      "1o"  
             db      10
```



# Exercise



```
                section .data
msg1            db      "lo "
msg2            db      "hel"
msg3            db      "world!", 10
msgLen         equ $-msg3
```

```
_start:
    mov  eax, 4    ; print
    mov  ebx, 1    ; to stdout
    mov  ecx, msg2 ; string
    mov  edx, 3
    int  0x80

    mov  eax, 4    ; print
    mov  ebx, 1    ; to stdout
    mov  ecx, msg1 ; string
    mov  edx, 3    ; # of chars
    int  0x80

    mov  eax, 4    ; print
    mov  ebx, 1    ; to stdout
    mov  ecx, msg3 ; string
    mov  edx, msgLen; # of chars
    int  0x80     ; ask Linux to print
```



TIME FOR  
THE LAB  
ON  
PRINTING  
STRINGS

# Hexdump

Hex dump



Hexadecimal



# Brief Overview of Hexadecimal

- Number system
- 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F
- 0         $\longrightarrow$  00  
10        $\longrightarrow$  0A  
255       $\longrightarrow$  FF

# Why Hex?

00000000  
00000001  
00000010  
00000011  
...  
...  
11111110  
11111111

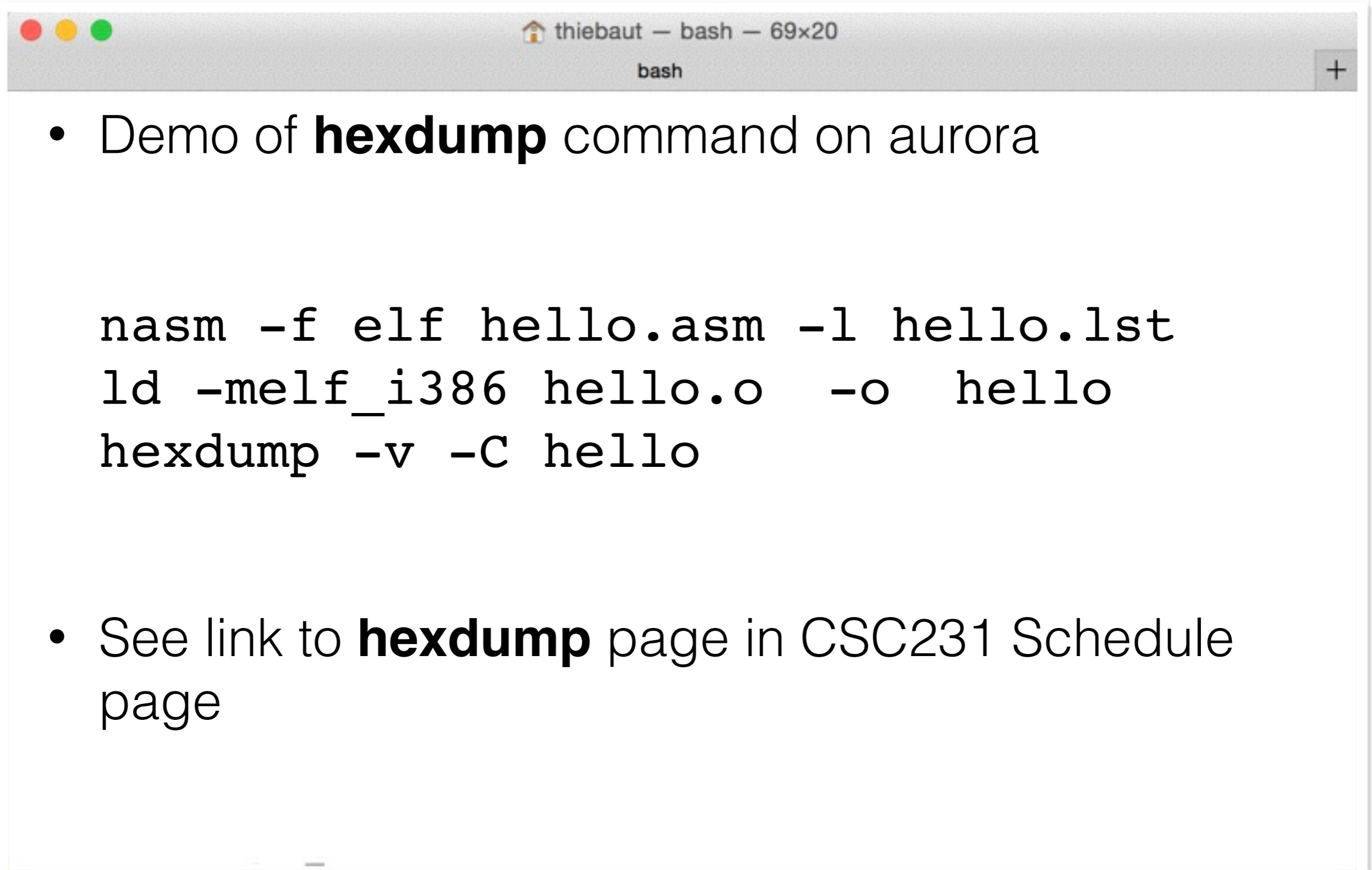
0000  
0001  
0010  
0011  
0100  
0101  
0110  
0111  
1000  
1001  
1010  
1011  
1100  
1101  
1110  
1111

# Why Hex?

00000000  
00000001  
00000010  
00000011  
...  
...  
11111110  
11111111

0000	0
0001	1
0010	2
0011	3
0100	4
0101	5
0110	6
0111	7
1000	8
1001	9
1010	A
1011	B
1100	C
1101	D
1110	E
1111	F

# Demo

A screenshot of a terminal window with a grey title bar. The title bar contains three colored window control buttons (red, yellow, green) on the left, a home icon followed by the text 'thiebaut — bash — 69x20' in the center, and a plus sign in a square on the right. The terminal content shows a list item, three lines of shell commands, and another list item.

```
• Demo of hexdump command on aurora
```

```
nasm -f elf hello.asm -l hello.lst  
ld -melf_i386 hello.o -o hello  
hexdump -v -C hello
```

```
• See link to hexdump page in CSC231 Schedule page
```

# Mystery Program

```
00000000 7f 45 4c 46 01 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |.ELF.....|
00000010 02 00 03 00 01 00 00 00 80 80 04 08 34 00 00 00 |.....4...|
00000020 f0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 34 00 20 00 02 00 28 00 |.....4. ...(|
00000030 06 00 03 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 80 04 08 |.....|
00000040 00 80 04 08 b8 00 00 00 b8 00 00 00 05 00 00 00 |.....|
00000050 00 10 00 00 01 00 00 00 b8 00 00 00 b8 90 04 08 |.....|
00000060 b8 90 04 08 0e 00 00 00 0e 00 00 00 06 00 00 00 |.....|
00000070 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |.....|
00000080 b8 04 00 00 00 bb 01 00 00 00 b9 b8 90 04 08 ba |.....|
00000090 06 00 00 00 cd 80 b8 04 00 00 00 bb 01 00 00 00 |.....|
000000a0 b9 c3 90 04 08 ba 03 00 00 00 cd 80 bb 00 00 00 |.....|
000000b0 00 b8 01 00 00 00 cd 80 48 65 6c 6c 6f 20 74 68 |.....Hello th|
000000c0 65 72 65 21 0a 0a 00 2e 73 79 6d 74 61 62 00 2e |ere!....symtab..|
000000d0 73 74 72 74 61 62 00 2e 73 68 73 74 72 74 61 62 |strtab..shstrtab|
000000e0 00 2e 74 65 78 74 00 2e 64 61 74 61 00 00 00 00 |..text..data....|
000000f0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |.....|
00000100 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |.....|
00000110 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 1b 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 |.....|
00000120 06 00 00 00 80 80 04 08 80 00 00 00 38 00 00 00 |.....8...|
00000130 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |.....|
00000140 21 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 03 00 00 00 b8 90 04 08 |!.....|

00000250 1c 00 00 00 80 80 04 08 00 00 00 00 10 00 01 00 |.....|
00000260 23 00 00 00 c6 90 04 08 00 00 00 00 10 00 02 00 |#.....|
00000270 2f 00 00 00 c6 90 04 08 00 00 00 00 10 00 02 00 |/.....|
00000280 36 00 00 00 c8 90 04 08 00 00 00 00 10 00 02 00 |6.....|
00000290 00 6d 79 73 74 65 72 79 2e 61 73 6d 00 48 65 6c |.mystery.asm.Hel|
000002a0 6c 6f 00 48 65 6c 6c 6f 4c 65 6e 00 5f 73 74 61 |lo.HelloLen._sta|
000002b0 72 74 00 5f 5f 62 73 73 5f 73 74 61 72 74 00 5f |rt.__bss_start._|
000002c0 65 64 61 74 61 00 5f 65 6e 64 00 |edata._end. |
```