

Shell Programming

▪ String Test

```
if test "$s1" = "$s2"
then
    echo "identical string"
fi
```

#must have a blank space right before and after =
equivalent to if ["\$s1" = "\$s2"];
a blank space is needed after [and before].

#operators: =, !=, >, <
< and > can be used if [[]] is included, i.e.,
if [["\$s1" > "\$s2"]].

▪ Numerical Test

```
if test $# -eq 0
then
    echo "must provide an argument"
    exit 1
fi
```

operators: -gt, -lt, -ne, -eq, -ge, -le

#must have a blank space right before and after -eq

-eq: equal to =
-gt: greater >
-lt: less <
-ne: not equal to !=
-ge: greater or equal to >=
-le: less or equal to <=

>, >=, <, <= can be used if (()) is included,
i.e., if ((\$v1 > \$v2))

▪ Special Test

```
if test -f "$1"      # if [ -f "$1" ]
then
    echo "$1 is a file"
else
```

```
    echo "$1 is not a file"
fi
```

others: -d, -e, -r, -s, -w, -x

-f: is a file?
-d: is a directory?
-e: the file exists?
-r: the file has read permission?
-w: the file has write permission?
-x: the file has execute permission?

Also: if [f1 -nt f2] -ot and -ef
f1 -nt f2: f1 is newer than f2?
f1 -ot f2: f1 is older than f2?
f1 -ef f2: f1 and f2 are hard linked to the
same file?

▪ Nested if

```
if test-command
then
    commands
elif test-command
then
    commands
else
    commands
fi
```

▪ Logical operators

```
if [ "$s1" = "$s2" -a "$s2" = "$s3" ]
then
    echo "match"
else
    echo "s1, s2, & s3 are not all the same"
fi
```

operators: -a, -o, !
-a: logical and, equivalent to &&
-o: logical or, equivalent to ||
!: logical negation #if [! \$a = 1]

[[]] should be included if &&, || are used,
i.e., if [["\$s1" = "\$s2" && "\$s2" = "\$s3"]]

- *For-in loop*

```
for letter in a b c d
do
```

```
    echo $letter
done
```

#equivalent to *for letter in {a..d}*

```
for i in * #files and directories in current path
do
```

```
    if [ -d "$i" ]
    then
```

```
        echo "$i"
```

```
    fi
```

```
done
```

also a path can be included after "for i in",
e.g., *for i in ../** or *for i in dir1/**

*for i in L** #files and directories in current
path starting with 'L'; also supports usage
of '?', e.g. *for i in L?.txt*

```
for i      #from command line arguments
do
```

```
    echo "$i"
done
```

```
for i in {1..10..2}
```

step is 2; 1 3 5 7 9 are printed

```
for i in {a..g..2}      # a c e g are printed
```

New version of Linux Shell also supports *for*
loop in C-Style:

```
for (( i=0; i<5; i=i+1 ))
```

```
do
```

```
    echo $i
```

```
done
```

- *While loop*

```
num=0
```

```
while [ $num -lt 5 ]
```

```
do
```

```
    echo -n "$num "
```

```
    let num=$num+1
```

```
done
```

```
ls *.c > list
```

```
while read f
```

```
do
```

```
    echo $f
```

```
done < list
```

read each line in the file list

```
ls *.c | while read f; do echo $f; done < list
```

- Arithmetic Expansion

```
x=1
```

```
((x=x+1))
```

```
echo $((x+1))
```

```
echo $x
```

```
echo $[ $(ls -l | wc -l) - 1 ]
```

```
let x=x+1
```

```
((x++))
```

operators: +, -, ++, --, *, /, %

- Until loop

```
count=10
```

```
until test $count -eq 0
```

```
do
```

```
    echo $count
```

```
    let count=$count-1
```

```
done
```

#execute the loop if the condition is false

- Break and Continue

```
for index in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

```
do
```

```
    if [ $index -le 3 ] ; then
```

```
        echo "continue"
```

```
        continue
```

```
    fi
```

```
    echo $index
```

```
    if [ $index -ge 8 ] ; then
```

```
        echo "break"
```

```
        break
```

```
    fi
```

```
done
```

- The Case Structure

```

set $(date)
case $1 in
    Fri )      echo "It's Friday";;
    Sat | Sun ) echo "it's weekend!";;
    *)        echo "a weekday";;
esac

echo -n "Enter A or B: "
read letter
case "$letter" in
    a|A)      echo "You entered A"
               ;; #similar to "break" in C
    b|B)      echo "You entered B"
               ;;
    *)        #similar to "default" in C
               "Wrong input"
               ;;
esac

echo "0: Exit"
echo "1: Show Date and Time"
echo "2: List my HOME directory"
echo "3: Display Calendar"
echo "Enter your choice: "
read option
case $option in
    0) echo good bye ;;
    1) date ;;
    2) ls $HOME ;; #same as "ls ~"
    3) cal ;; #display the calendar
    *) echo "Invalid input. Good bye." ;;
esac

hour=$(date +%H) #get hour
case $hour in
    0? | 1[0-1] ) echo "Good Morning!" ;;
    1[2-7] ) echo "Good Afternoon!" ;;
    * ) echo "Good Evening!" ;;
esac

```

- Function

```

func1 ()
{
    echo "hello"
}
func1      $call func1()

func2 ()
{
    echo $1 $2 #display arguments
    return $(( $1+$2 ))
}
func2 10 20 #passing arguments
total=$? #return value of func2()
echo $total

```

- Array

```

list[0]="abc"
list[1]="def"
list[2]="xyz"
echo ${list[0]} #abc
echo ${list[*]} #abc def xyz
echo ${#list[*]} #3

scores=(75 92 87 95)
echo ${scores[*]} #75 92 87 95
echo ${#scores[*]} #4, # of elements
scores[0]=80
echo ${scores[*]} #80 92 87 95

for i in {0..50..10}
do
    array[i]=$i
    echo ${array[i]}
done

```