

Linux Shell Scripting

Creating a Local Linux Shell Scripting Environment (S2)

- Setting up a centos7 VM with VirtualBox and Vagrant

User and Account Creation (S3)

Getting Started with Shell Scripting: Naming, Permissions, Variables, Builtins

- Shebang(#!) → sets the interpreter for script
- See permissions with `ls -l`
- `chmod 755 <file>` → make it executable for all
 - `chmod +x` does the same
- Builtin: command that is executable with shell only
 - `type <command>` → to see if it's a builtin
 - use builtins when available
- `help <command>` and `man <command>` for help for commands
- Variables:
 - no spaces for variable assignment
 - no dashes in variables
 - all uppercase in convention
 - get variable value with `$<variable>` or `${<variable>}`
 - single quotes prevent variable assignment

Special Variables, Pseudocode, Command Substitution, if Statement, Conditionals

- shell variables are predefined (see in manpage)
- `whoami` same as `id -un` → print username
- add command output to variable:

```
USER_NAME=$(id -un)
```

- if-then-else statement(bash specific):

```
if [[ "${UID}" -eq 0 ]]
then
    echo 'You are root'
else
    echo 'You are not root'
fi
```

- `help test` → to see operators
- make sanity check for required stuff

Exit Statuses, Return Codes, String Test Conditionals, More Special Variables

- exit status:
 - number can be given to exit command
 - 0: successful
- **`$?` → special variable with exit status of last executed command**
- String comparison:
 - `=` → string comparison
 - `==` → pattern string comparison

Reading Standard Input, Creating Accounts, Username Conventions, More Quoting

- read builtin to get stdin
 - stdin(0), stdout(1), stderr(2)
- useradd to add user
 - usernames are case sensitive
 - -l → no login
 - -m → create home directory
- passwd to change password
 - -stdin → to pipe password in
 - Not in ubuntu (use chpasswd instead)
 - -e → user have to change password after first login
- su to change user

Password Generation and Shell Script Arguments (S4)

Linux Programming Conventions (S5)

Parsing Command Line Options (S6)

Transforming Data/ Data Processing/ Reporting (S7)

Networking Scripting & Automation of Distributed Systems (S8)