

# Assignment 1: Writing a Shell

## Program Behaviours

### Part A: Set 1 and Set 2

Note: programs `bgSleep` and `interactive` are provided on this assignment page as attached C files.

For Set 1 functions, you need to be able to run commands that are in `/bin` or `/usr/bin` (not considering the Set 3 builtin functions yet)

#### Example 1

```
> ls
```

```
bgSleep  bgSleep.c
```

#### Example 2

```
> ls -l
```

```
total 9
```

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 dastacey faculty 16712 Jan 31 14:56 bgSleep
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 dastacey faculty  684 Jan 31 14:56 bgSleep.c
```

Make sure that you can handle errors – misspelling basic commands or the name of executable files or improper arguments

#### Example 3

```
> ks
```

```
-bash: ks: command not found
```

#### Example 4

```
$ ./execNotThere
```

```
-myShell: ./execNotThere: No such file or directory
```

#### Example 5

```
> ls -0
```

```
ls: invalid option -- '0'
```

Try 'ls --help' for more information.

There is a program named bgSleep that takes 1 argument (number of seconds) and sleeps for that number of seconds

#### Example 6

```
> ./bgSleep 2
```

Backgrounded programs look like the following – they show the pid and they immediately allow another command to be entered and when the backgrounded program finishes, your shell should let everyone know:

```
> ./bgSleep 5 &
```

```
[1] 14607
```

```
> ps
```

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
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14607	pts/53	00:00:00	bgSleep
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24004	pts/53	00:00:00	bash
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24336	pts/53	00:00:00	ps
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```
[1]+  Done                ./bgSleep 5
```

If you can print out line [1] 14607 only you will get part marks

If you can also print out when the child finishes (whatever the message) – more marks

And if you can print out the correct format for the "Done" line – more marks

For full marks your shell will have to do the following for background processes:

```
> ./bgSleep 30 &
```

```
[1] 21370
```

```
> ./bgSleep 20 &
```

```
[2] 29940
```

```
> ./bgSleep 10 &
```

[3] 7780

> ps

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
7780	pts/53	00:00:00	bgSleep
15822	pts/53	00:00:00	ps
21370	pts/53	00:00:00	bgSleep
24004	pts/53	00:00:00	bash
29940	pts/53	00:00:00	bgSleep

[3]+ Done ./bgSleep 10

> ps

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
11117	pts/53	00:00:00	ps
21370	pts/53	00:00:00	bgSleep
24004	pts/53	00:00:00	bash
29940	pts/53	00:00:00	bgSleep

[2]+ Done ./bgSleep 20

> ps

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
1946	pts/53	00:00:00	ps

21370 pts/53 00:00:00 bgSleep

24004 pts/53 00:00:00 bash

[1]+ Done ./bgSleep 30

> ps

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
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23957	pts/53	00:00:00	ps
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24004	pts/53	00:00:00	bash
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## Set 2 Functions – Redirection and Piping

Example 1: Redirecting stdout

> ls -l > fileList.txt

> more fileList.txt

total 10

-rwxr-xr-x 1 dastacey faculty 16712 Jan 31 14:56 bgSleep

-rw-r--r-- 1 dastacey faculty 684 Jan 31 14:56 bgSleep.c

-rw-r--r-- 1 dastacey faculty 0 Jan 31 15:00 fileList.txt

Example 2: simple pipe

> ls -l | wc

3	20	124
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Example 3: redirecting stdin: the program interactive has one argument – a number of questions/inputs that will be asked for and then it asks for input from the user and prints out what it was given:

```
> more inputFile.txt
```

How are you today?

What is the weather like where you are?

```
> ./interactive 2
```

What is your question? > my Question 1

Question 1: my Question 1

What is your question? > My Q 2

Question 2: My Q 2

Bye!

```
> ./interactive 2 < inputFile.txt
```

What is your question? > Question 1: How are you today?

What is your question? > Question 2: What is the weather like where you are?

Bye!

```
> ./interactive 2 < inputFile.txt > outputFile
```

```
> more outputFile
```

What is your question? > Question 1: How are you today?

What is your question? > Question 2: What is the weather like where you are?

Bye!

> more outputFile | sort

Bye!

What is your question? > Question 1: How are you today?

What is your question? > Question 2: What is the weather like where you are?

> ./interactive 2 < inputFile.txt | sort

Bye!

What is your question? > Question 1: How are you today?

What is your question? > Question 2: What is the weather like where you are?

> ./interactive 2 < inputFile.txt | sort > saveFile

> more saveFile

Bye!

What is your question? > Question 1: How are you today?

What is your question? > Question 2: What is the weather like where you are?

```
> ./interactive 2 < inputFile.txt | sort > outputFile
```

```
> more outputFile
```

Bye!

What is your question? > Question 1: How are you today?

What is your question? > Question 2: What is the weather like where you are?

## Set 3 – The built-in Functions

If the files

- .CIS3110\_profile
- .CIS3110\_history

are not in the directory where your shell program is executed from then you must **create** these files.

An example .CIS3110\_profile file:

```
export PATH=/usr/bin:/bin:$HOME
```

```
export HOME=/home/faculty/dastacey
```

You should implement the echo built-in command so that you can find out what PATH and HOME are set to.

```
> echo $PATH
```

```
/usr/bin:/bin:/home/faculty/dastacey
```

```
> echo $HOME
```



/home/faculty/dastacey

There are 3 versions of the history built-in command that the markers will look for:

> **history**

```
1 ./interactive 2 < inputFile > outputFile | wc
2 ./interactive 2 < inputFile > outputFile | sort
3 ./interactive 2 < inputFile | sort > outputFile
4 rm outputFile
5 ./interactive 2 < inputFile | sort > outputFile
6 more outputFile
7 ls
8 pwd
9 ls
10 cp inputFile inputFile.txt
11 ls
12 rm inputFile
13 echo $PATH
14 export PATH=$PATH:$HOME
15 echo $PATH
```

```
16 echo $HOME
```

```
17 history
```

```
> history 3
```

```
16 echo $HOME
```

```
17 history
```

```
18 history -3
```

```
> history -c
```

```
> history
```

```
1 history
```

## Directories

The `cd` (change directory) command is built-in: you have to keep track of what directory you are in. This is needed if you are going to truly implement `PATH` and `HOME` environment variables.

You should be able to do the following:

```
> cd ..
```

```
> cd ~
```

```
> cd subdir1/subdir2
```

```
> cd /usr/bin/
```

After any of these cd commands pwd should show you the correct directory (full path name).

For full marks, change your prompt from > to the current directory (e.g. /home/faculty/dastacey/CIS3110> )

```
/home/faculty/dastacey/CIS3110> pwd
```

```
/home/faculty/dastacey/CIS3110
```

```
/home/faculty/dastacey/CIS3110> cd ..
```

```
/home/faculty/dastacey> cd CIS3110/Test
```

```
/home/faculty/dastacey/CIS3110/Test> cd ~
```

```
/home/faculty/dastacey>
```