

LINUX COMM*NDS

Description of Linux Commands Part XI

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FUNCTIONS

Functions in Bash Scripting are a great way to reuse code.

Think of a function as a small script within a script. It's a small chunk of code which you may call multiple times within your script. They are particularly useful if you have certain tasks which need to be performed several times. Instead of writing out the same code over and over you may write it once in a function then call that function every time.

STRUCTURE



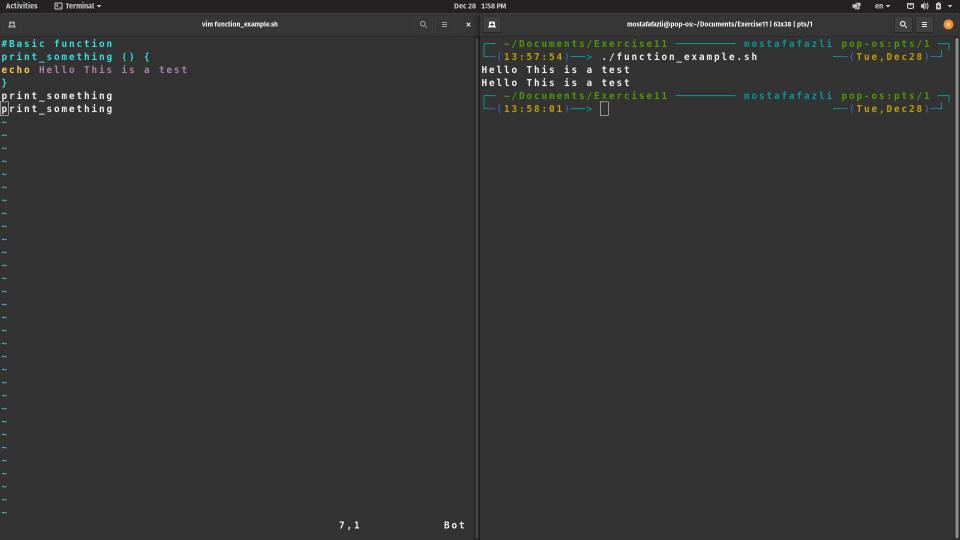
EXAMPLE

- 1 #!/bin/bash
- 2.# Basic function
- 3 print_something () {
- 4 echo Hello This is a test
- 5.}
- 6.print_something
- 7 print_something

RUN

- 1../function_example.sh
- 2.Hello I am a function
- 3.Hello I am a function





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PARSSING ARGUMENT

It is often the case that we would like the function to process some data for us.

We may send data to the function in a similar way to passing command line arguments to a script. We supply the arguments directly after the function name.

Within the function they are accessible as \$1, \$2, etc.



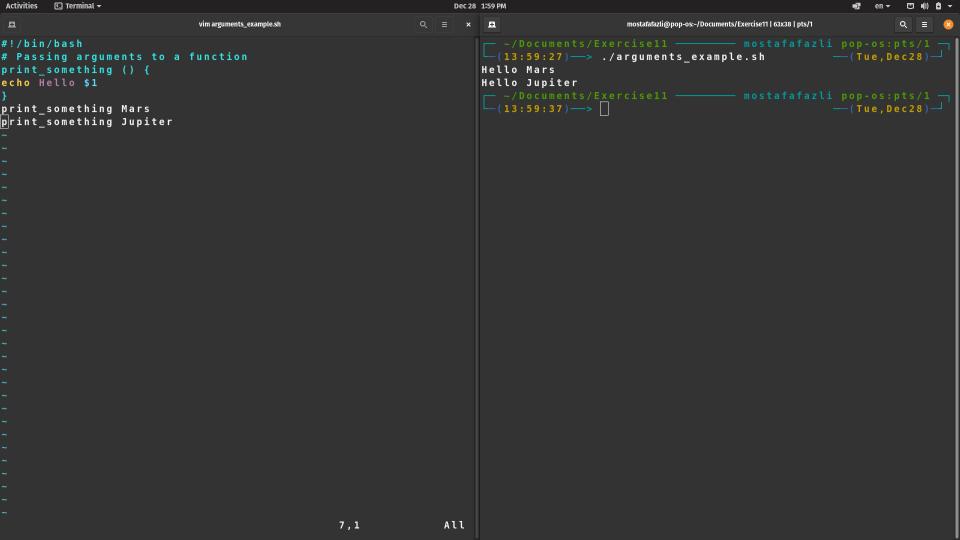
EXAMPLE

```
1.#!/bin/bash
2.# Passing arguments to a function
3.print_something () {
4.echo Hello $1
5.}
6.print_something Mars
7.print_something Jupiter
```

RUN

- 1../arguments_example.sh
- 2.Hello Mars
- 3.Hello Jupiter





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RETURN VALUES

Most other programming languages have the concept of a return value for functions, a means for the function to send data back to the original calling location. Bash functions don't allow us to do this. They do however allow us to set a return status. Similar to how a program or command exits with an exit status which indicates whether it succeeded or not. We use the keyword return to indicate a return status.



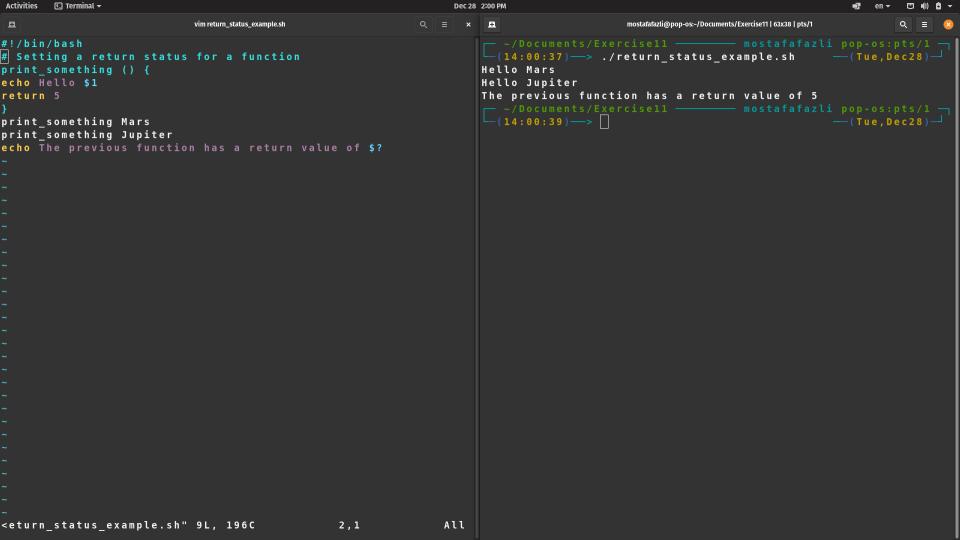
EXAMPLE

- 1.#!/bin/bash
- 2.# Setting a return status for a function
- 3 print something () {
- 4 echo Hello \$1
- 5.return 5
- 6.}
- 7 print_something Mars
- 8.print_something Jupiter
- 9 echo The previous function has a return value of \$?

RUN

- 1../return_status_example.sh
- 2.Hello Mars
- 3.Hello Jupiter
- 4. The previous function has a return value of 5





Typically a return status of 0 indicates that everything went successfully. A non zero value indicates an error occurred.

TIPS



FUNCTIONS

RETURN VALUES

You can get value of last function return by \$?



EXAMPLE

```
1 #!/bin/bash
2 # Setting a return status for a function
3.sum(){
1. return 'expr $1 + $2'
4.}
5.sum 67 89
6.total=$?
7.echo $total
```

RUN

1../return_status_example.sh2.156



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PROCESS MULTIPLICATION

For Multiplication two numbers, you should use 'x' instead of "*"

Because of '*' (star) symbol for address, when you use '*', Bash consider address for that.



EXAMPLE

```
1 #!/bin/bash
2 # multiplication of two numbers
3.calc(){
4.    case $2 in
5.    '+')result='expr $1 + $3';;
6.    '-')result='expr $1 - $3';;
7.    '/')result='expr $1 / $3';;
8.    'x')result= $(($1 * $3));;
9.sum 167 x 89
10.total = $?
11.echo $total
```

RUN

1../multiplication_example.sh2.14863





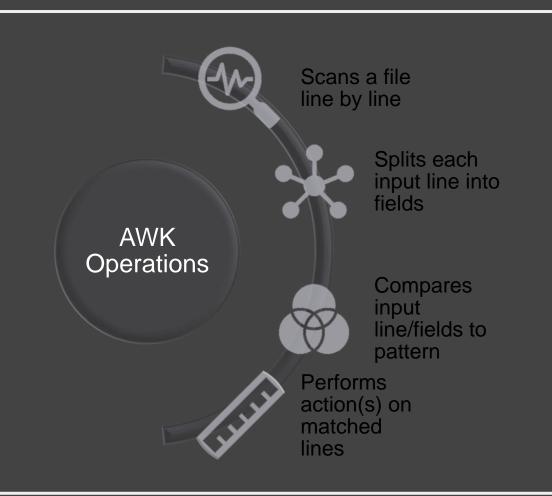


Awk is a scripting language used for manipulating data and generating reports. The awk command programming language requires **no compiling** and allows the user to use variables, numeric functions, string functions, and logical operators.

Awk is a utility that enables a programmer to write tiny but effective programs in the form of statements that define text patterns that are to be searched for in each line of a document and the action that is to be taken when a match is found within a line. Awk is mostly used for **pattern scanning** and **processing**. It searches one or more files to see if they contain lines that matches with the specified patterns and then perform the associated actions.

The awk command was named using the initials of the three people who wrote the original version in 1977: Alfred Aho, Peter Weinberger, and Brian Kernighan. These three men were from the legendary AT&T Bell Laboratories Unix pantheon.

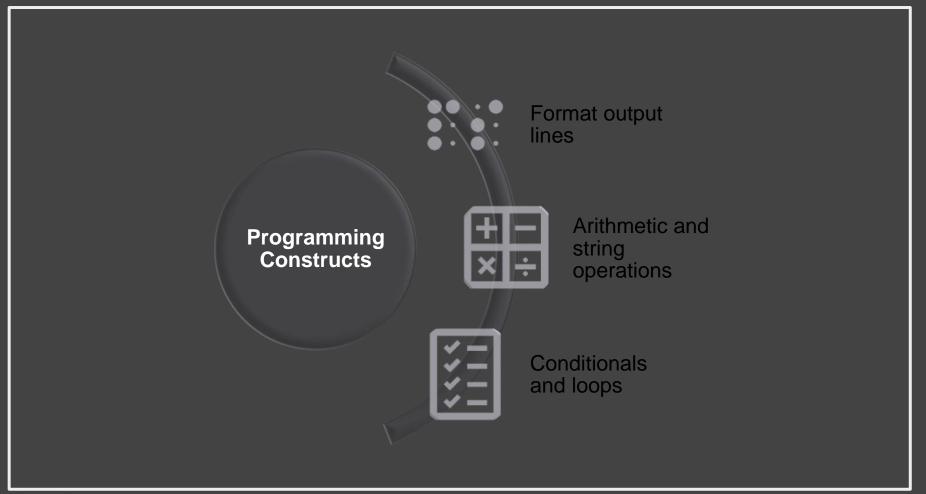












STRUCTURE

awk options 'selection _criteria {action }' input-file > output-file



OPTIONS:

-f program-file => Reads the AWK program source from the file program-file, instead of from the first command line argument.

-F => Use fs for the input field separator

\$cat > employee.txt

ajay manager account 45000 sunil clerk account 25000 varun manager sales 50000 amit manager account 47000 tarun peon sales 15000 deepak clerk sales 23000 sunil peon sales 13000 satvik director purchase 80000



OPTIONS:

'{print}'

Use print by default just prints every lines from file

* it works like cat command

\$ awk '{print}' employee.txt

ajay manager account 45000 sunil clerk account 25000 varun manager sales 50000 amit manager account 47000 tarun peon sales 15000 deepak clerk sales 23000 sunil peon sales 13000 satvik director purchase 80000



OPTIONS:

Print the lines which match the given pattern

the awk command prints all the line which matches with the 'PATTERN'



\$ awk '/manager/ {print}' employee.txt

ajay manager account 45000 varun manager sales 50000 amit manager account 47000



OPTIONS:

Splitting a Line Into Fields

awk command splits the record delimited by whitespace character by default and stores it in the \$n variables. If the line has 4 words, it will be stored in \$1, \$2, \$3 and \$4 respectively.

*Also, \$0 represents the whole line.

\$ awk '{print \$1,\$4}' employee.txt

ajay 45000

sunil 25000

varun 50000

amit 47000

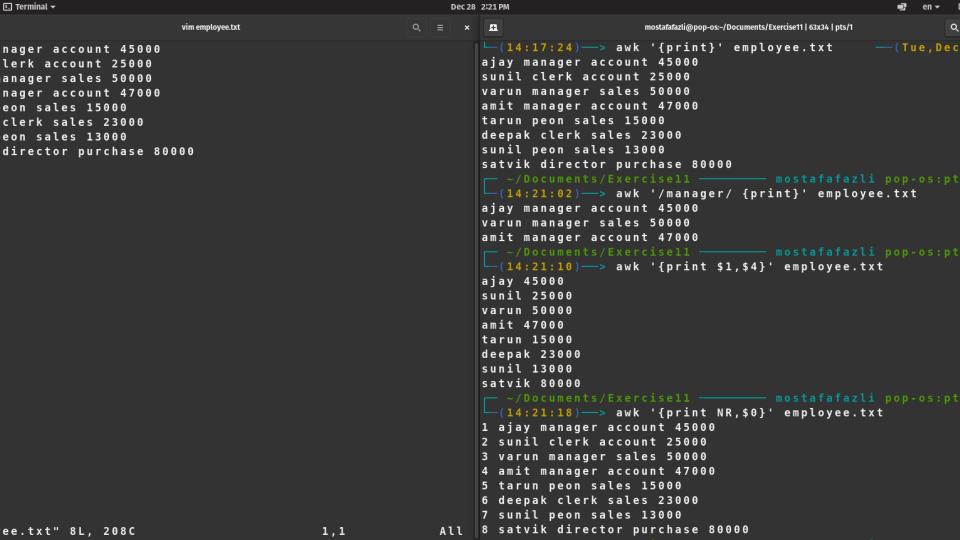
tarun 15000

deepak 23000

sunil 13000

satvik 80000





OPTIONS:

NR

Use the NR command for Display line number



\$ awk '{print NR,\$0}' employee.txt

- 1 ajay manager account 45000
- 2 sunil clerk account 25000
- 3 varun manager sales 50000
- 4 amit manager account 47000
- 5 tarun peon sales 15000
- 6 deepak clerk sales 23000
- 7 sunil peon sales 13000
- 8 satvik director purchase 80000



OPTIONS:

NF

Use the NF command for Display last field

*NF stands for Number of Fields



\$ awk '{print \$1,\$NF}' employee.txt

ajay 45000

sunil 25000

varun 50000

amit 47000

tarun 15000

deepak 23000

sunil 13000

satvik 80000



OPTIONS:

NR (between)

Another use of NR built-in variables (Display Line From 3 to 6)



\$ awk 'NR==3, NR==6 {print NR,\$0}' employee.txt

- 3 varun manager sales 50000
- 4 amit manager account 47000
- 5 tarun peon sales 15000
- 6 deepak clerk sales 23000



OPTIONS:

Advanced commands

To print the first item along with the row number(NR) separated with " – " from each line



\$cat > test.txt

A B C
Tarun A12 1
Man B6 2
Praveen M42 3



\$ awk '{print NR "- " \$1 }' test.txt

- 1 A
- 2 Tarun
- 3 Manav
- 4 Praveen



OPTIONS:

To return the second row/item



\$ awk '{print \$2}' test.txt

A12

B6

M42



OPTIONS:

find the length of the longest line present



\$ awk '{ if (length(\$0) > max) max = length(\$0)
} END { print max }' test.txt

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OPTIONS:

To count the lines



\$ awk 'END { print NR }' test.txt



OPTIONS:

combination commands

You can combination other command with this command by pipeline



who | awk '{print \$1}'

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OPTIONS:

You can combination other command with this command by pipeline with some rules



who | awk '{print \$1,\$4}'

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