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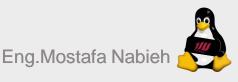












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- Shell Scripting Basics
- Filters, Pipes, and variables
- Useful Features of the Bash Shell

What is a script?

- Script: list of commands interpreted by a scripting language
- Commands can be entered interactively or listed in a text file
- Scripting languages are interpreted at runtime
- Scripting is slower to run, but faster to develop

Shell scripts and the 'shebang'

- Shell script executable text file with an interpreter directive
- Aka 'shebang' directive:

```
#!interpreter [optional-arg]
```

- "interpreter" path to an executable program
- "optional-org" single argument string

Example - 'Shebang' directives

Shell script directive

```
#!/bin/sh
#!/bin/bash
```

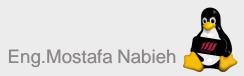
Python script directive

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

"Hello world" Script

Create the shell script:

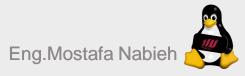
```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ touch hello-world.sh
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo '#! /bin/bash' >> hello-world.sh
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo 'echo hello world' >> hello-world.sh
```



"Hello world" Script

Make it executable:

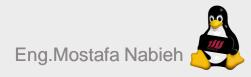
```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ ls -l hello-world.sh
-rw-rw-r-- 1 mostafa mostafa 30 10:57 18 لُک hello-world.sh
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ chmod +x hello-world.sh
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ ls -l hello-world.sh
-rwxrwxr-x 1 mostafa mostafa 30 10:57 18 لُک hello-world.sh
```



"Hello world" Script

Run your bash script:

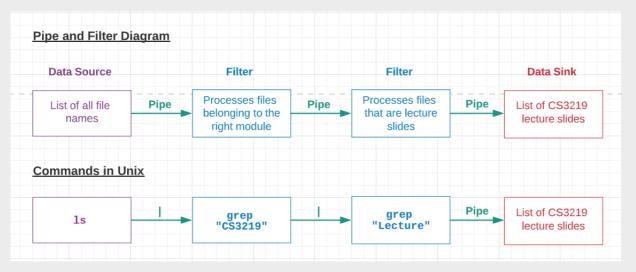
```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ ./hello-world.sh
hello world
```



Pipes and filters

Filters are shell commands, which:

- Take input from standard input
- Send output to standard output
- Transform input data into output data
- Examples are wc, cat, more, head, sort,
- Filters can be chained together



Pipes and filters

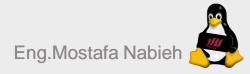
Pipe command - |

For chaining filter commands

command1 | command2

- Output of command 1 is input of command 2
- Pipe stands for pipeline

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ ls | sort -r
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hello-world.sh
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Anaconda3-2018.12-Linux-x86_64.sh
```



Shell variables

Scope limited to shell

Set – list all shell variables

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ set | head -4
BASH=/usr/bin/bash
BASHOPTS=checkwinsize:cmdhist:complete_fullquote:expand_aliases:extglob:extquote
:force_fignore:globasciiranges:histappend:interactive_comments:progcomp:promptva
rs:sourcepath
BASH_ALIASES=()
BASH_ARGC=([0]="0")
```

Defining shell variables

```
var_name=value
```

No spaces around '='

```
unset var_name
```

Deletes var_name

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ greeting='Hello'
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo $greeting
Hello
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ SecondWord='World'
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo $SecondWord
World
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ unset SecondWord
```

Environment variable

Extended scope

export var_name

 env - list all environment variables

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ export greeting
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ env | grep 'gree'
greeting=Hello
```

Metacharacters

- # precedes a comment
- ; command separator
- * filename expansion wildcard
- ? single character wildcard in filename expansion

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ # Hello
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ echo 'Hello';whoami
Hello
mostafa
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ ls /bin/ba*
/bin/baobab /bin/base64 /bin/basenc /bin/bashbug
/bin/base32 /bin/basename /bin/bash
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ ls /bin/?ash
/bin/bash /bin/dash
```

Quoting

- \ escape special character interpretation
- " " interpret literally, but evaluate metacharacters
- ' ' interpret literally

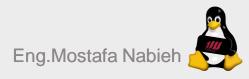
```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ echo "\$1 each"
$1 each
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ echo "$1 each"
  each
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~$ echo '$1 each'
$1 each
```

I/O redirection

- Input/Output, or I/O redirection, refers to a set of features used for redirecting
 - > Redirect output to file
 - >> Append output to file
 - 2> Redirect standard error to file
 - 2>> Append standard error to file
 - < Redirect file contents to standard input

```
nostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo 'Hello1' > eg.txt
nostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo 'Hello1' >> eg.txt
nostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ Hello
Command 'Hello' not found, did you mean:
   command 'hello' from snap hello (2.10)
   command 'hello' from deb hello (2.10-2ubuntu4)
   command 'hello' from deb hello-traditional (2.10-5)
   command 'jello' from deb jello (1.5.2-1)
See 'snap info <snapname>' for additional versions.
nostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ Hello 2> eg.txt
```

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ grep 'Hello' < eg.txt
Command 'Hello' not found, did you mean:
Command 'Hello' not found, did you mean:</pre>
```



Command substitution

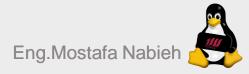
- Replace command with its output \$ (command) or 'command'
- Store output of 'pwd' command in 'here':

```
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ here=$(pwd)
mostafa@mostafa-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ echo $here
/home/mostafa/Desktop
```

Command line arguments

- Program arguments specified on the command line
- A way to pass arguments to a shell script
- Usage:

./MyBashScript.sh arg1 arg2



Batch vs. concurrent modes

Batch mode:

Commands run sequentially

command1; command2

Concurrent mode:

Commands run in parallel

command1 & command2

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