



Shell Scripting



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Bash shell script is a series of bash commands that are stored in a file and can be executed by running the script.

This is first script

```
$ cat script1.sh
```

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

```
# this is a comment
```

```
echo "Hello World"
```

```
echo "these are files available in the following folder:"
```

```
ls -l
```

How to run a script file

```
$ bash script1.sh → $ < shell> < script name.sh>
```

```
Hello World
```

```
these are files available in the following folder:
```

```
total 4
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kali kali 117 Sep  2 11:12 script1.sh
```

We can run this script with bash keyword. But we need to make that script as executable

```
$ chmod 777 script1.sh
```

Or

```
$ chmod +x script1.sh
```

```
└─(kali㉿kali)-[~/linux_learning/scripts]
```

```
└─$ ls -l
```

```
total 4
```

```
-rwxrwxrwx 1 kali kali 117 Sep  2 11:12 script1.sh
```

\$./script1.sh → if a script is executable then we can directly run script like this.

\$./script1.sh

Hello WOrld

these are files available in the following folder:

total 4

```
-rwxrwxrwx 1 kali kali 117 Sep  2 11:12 script1.sh
```

We can `$<variable name>` to store the values in a variable in scripts

Script 2.sh

\$ cat script2.sh

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

```
#
```

```
*****
```

```
# Executing commands example
```

```
# Execute whoami command
```

```
user=$(whoami)
```

```
# Execute hostname command
```

```
hostname=$(hostname)
```

```
# Execute print working directory (pwd) command
```

```
directory=$(pwd)
```

```
# Display information
```

```
echo "User=[$user] Host=[$hostname] Working dir=[$directory]"
```

```
# Display contents of directory
```

```
echo "Contents:"
```

```
ls
```

```
└─(kali㉿kali)-[~/linux_learning/scripts]
```

```
└─$ chmod +x script2.sh
```

```
└─(kali㉿kali)-[~/linux_learning/scripts]
```

```
└─$ ./script2.sh
```

```
User=[kali] Host=[kali] Working dir=[/home/kali/linux_learning/scripts]
```

```
Contents:
```

```
script1.sh script2.sh
```

Control statements

```
$ cat script4.sh
```

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

```
# demo of if else
```

```
if [[ -d /etc/ ]]; then
```

```
    echo /etc/ is a directory
```

```
fi
```

```
if [[ -e example.txt ]]; then
```

```
    echo example.txt file is present
```

```
else
```

```
    echo example.txt file is not present
```

```
fi
```

```
test="kali"
```

```
if [[ $test == "sam" ]]; then
```

```
    echo test variable is sam
```

```
elif [[ $test == 'kali' ]]; then
    echo test variable is kali
else
    echo test is something different
fi
```

```
└─(kali㉿kali)-[~/linux_learning/scripts]
```

```
└─$ ./script4.sh
```

/etc/ is a directory

example.txt file is not present

test variable is kali

```
$ cat control_state1.sh
```

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

```
#Numerical comparision
```

```
x=5
```

```
y=9
```

```
z=9
```

```
echo x=[$x]
```

```
echo y=[$y]
```

```
echo z=[$z]
```

```
if [[ "$x" -ne "$y" ]]; then
```

```
    echo x is not equal to y
```

```
fi
```

```
if [[ "$y" -eq "$z" ]]; then
    echo y is equal to z
fi
```

```
if [[ "$y" -gt "$z" ]]; then
    echo $y is greater than $x
fi
```

```
if [[ $y -ge $z ]]; then
    echo $y ge $z
fi
```

```
if [[ $x -lt $y ]]; then
    echo $x lt $y
fi
```

```
if [[ $y -le $z ]]; then
    echo $y le $z
fi
```

—\$./control_state1.sh

x=[5]

y=[9]

z=[9]

x is not equal to y

y is equal to z

9 ge 9

5 lt 9

9 le 9

\$ cat control_state1.sh

```
#!/bin/bas
h

#
*****
*
# Numerical comparison examples

# Create some variables
x=1
echo x["$x"]
y=2
echo y["$y"]
z=2
echo z["$z"]

# Perform some comparisons
# Numeric: Not equals
if [[ "$x" -ne "$y" ]]; then
    echo ["$x"] ne ["$y"]
fi

# Numeric: Equals
if [[ "$y" -eq "$z" ]]; then
    echo ["$y"] eq ["$z"]
fi

# Numeric: Greater than
if [[ "$y" -gt "$x" ]]; then
    echo ["$y"] gt ["$x"]
fi

# Numeric: Greater than or equal to
if [[ "$y" -ge "$z" ]]; then
    echo ["$y"] ge ["$z"]
fi

# Numeric: Less than
if [[ "$x" -lt "$y" ]]; then
    echo ["$x"] lt ["$y"]
fi
```

```

fi

# Numeric: Less than or equal to
if [[ "$y" -le "$z" ]]; then
    echo ["$y"] le ["$z"]
fi

#
*****
*
# String comparison examples

# Create some variables
a="A"
echo a=["$a"]
b="B"
echo b=["$b"]
anotherA="A"
echo anotherA=["$anotherA"]

# Perform some comparisons
# String: Equals
if [[ "$a" == "$anotherA" ]]; then
    echo ["$a"] "==" ["$anotherA"]
fi

# String: Not equals
if [[ "$a" != "$b" ]]; then
    echo ["$a"] "!=" ["$b"]
fi

# String: Less than
if [[ "$a" < "$b" ]]; then
    echo ["$a"] "<" ["$b"]
fi

# String: Greater than
if [[ "$b" > "$a" ]]; then
    echo ["$b"] ">" ["$a"]
fi

```


\$ cat case_example.sh

```
#!/bin/bas
h
```

```
#
*****
*
# Case example

# Switch off of the first command line argument
case $1 in
[1-3])
    message="Argument is between 1 and 3 inclusive"
    ;;
[4-6])
    message="Argument is between 4 and 6 inclusive"
    ;;
[7-9])
    message="Argument is between 7 and 9 inclusive"
    ;;
1[0-9])
    message="Argument is between 10 and 19 inclusive"
    ;;
*)
    message="I don't understand the argument or it is missing"
    ;;
esac

# Print out a message describing the result
echo $message
```

\$ cat example_loop.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
h

#
*****
*
# For loop examples

echo -----
echo For loops

# Iterate through the numbers 1 through 5 and print them out
echo Print out a hard-coded sequence
for i in 1 2 3 4 5; do
    echo Index=[$i]
done

# Same as above, but generate the sequence
echo Print out a generated sequence
for i in {1..5}; do
    echo Index=[$i]
done

# Same as above, but use a more conventional format
# NOTE: Double parenthesis are used since we are doing arithmetic
echo Print out a generated sequence using the 3-expression format
for(( i=1; i<=5; i++ ))
do
    echo Index=[$i]
done

# Print out the last line of each shell script in the current directory
echo Print out the last line of each shell script
for FILE in *.sh
do
    echo =====
    echo File=[$FILE]
    tail -n 1 $FILE
done

echo ''
```

```

#
*****

*

# While loop example

echo -----
echo While loop

# Countdown to blastoff
echo Executing a while loop to countdown to blastoff
counter=5
while [[ $counter -gt 0 ]]; do
    echo Countdown [$counter]
    counter=$((counter - 1))
done
echo Blastoff

```

\$ cat commandline_arg.sh

```

#!/bin/bash

#
*****

# Processing command line arguments
# What is the name of the executed script?
echo Name of script [$0]

# How many were provided?
echo Command line argument count [$#]

# Iterate through each argument
for arg in $@; do
    echo Argument [$arg]
done

# Display all the arguments as a string
echo All arguments [$*]

```

```
# Use parenthesis for arguments with numbers 10 or larger
```

```
if [ "${12}" != "" ]; then
```

```
    echo Argument 12 is [${12}]
```

```
    echo Argument 12 is NOT [$12]
```

```
fi
```

```
$ bash cmdline_arg.sh first second third fourth fifth 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13
```

```
Name of script [cmdline_arg.sh]
```

```
Command line argument count [13]
```

```
Argument [first]
```

```
Argument [second]
```

```
Argument [third]
```

```
Argument [fourth]
```

```
Argument [fifth]
```

```
Argument [6]
```

```
Argument [7]
```

```
Argument [8]
```

```
Argument [9]
```

```
Argument [10]
```

```
Argument [11]
```

```
Argument [12]
```

```
Argument [13]
```

```
All arguments [first second third fourth fifth 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13]
```

```
Argument 12 is [12]
```

```
Argument 12 is NOT [first2]
```

\$ cat password_generate.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
# Grab the command line arguments
passwd_word_count=$1
separator=$2
# Start with a blank password
password=""
# Get the total number of words in the word list
total_word_count=`wc -l ../wordlist.txt | awk '{print $1;}'`
# Build the password using the specified number of words
for (( i=1; i<=$passwd_word_count; i++ ))
do
    # Generate a random number using OpenSSL to be cryptographically secure
    rand_num_hex=`openssl rand -hex 4`
    rand_num_dec=$((16#$rand_num_hex))
    # Use the random number as an index into the word list
    word_index=$((($rand_num_dec % $total_word_count))
    random_word=`awk -v idx="$word_index" '{if (NR==idx) print $1}' ../wordlist.txt`
    # Capitalize the word
    random_word_upper=`echo ${random_word^}`
    # Insert a separator if this isn't the first word in the password
    if [[ ${#password} -gt 0 ]]; then
        password=$password$separator$random_word_upper
    else
        password=$random_word_upper
    fi
done
echo $password
```

```
$ bash password_generate.sh 4 '-'
```