Bash Shell Scripting

awk command

Part-1

#!/bin/bash

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- The awk command is a powerful method for processing or analyzing text or data files, which are organized by lines (rows or records) and columns(fileds).
- we can use awk as a linux command and also as a scripting language like bash shell scripting.
- Simple awk command syntax:
 - awk [options] '[selection_criteria] {action }' input-file
 - cat input-file | awk [options] '[selection _criteria] {action }' input-file
 - Awk can take the following options:
 - -F fs To specify a field separator. (Default separator is tab and space)
 - -f file To specify a file that contains awk script.
 - -v var=value To declare a variable.
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 - OFS → Output field separator

 - FS → Input filed Separator



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- Simple awk commands can be run from the command line. More complex tasks should be written as awk programs (so-called awk scripts) to a file.
- So, we can use awk as a linux command and also as a scripting language like bash shell scripting.
- Ex for u: httpd -v | awk -F '[/]' '/version/ {print \$4 }'
- httpd -v | awk -F "[/]" 'NR==1{print \$4}'
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