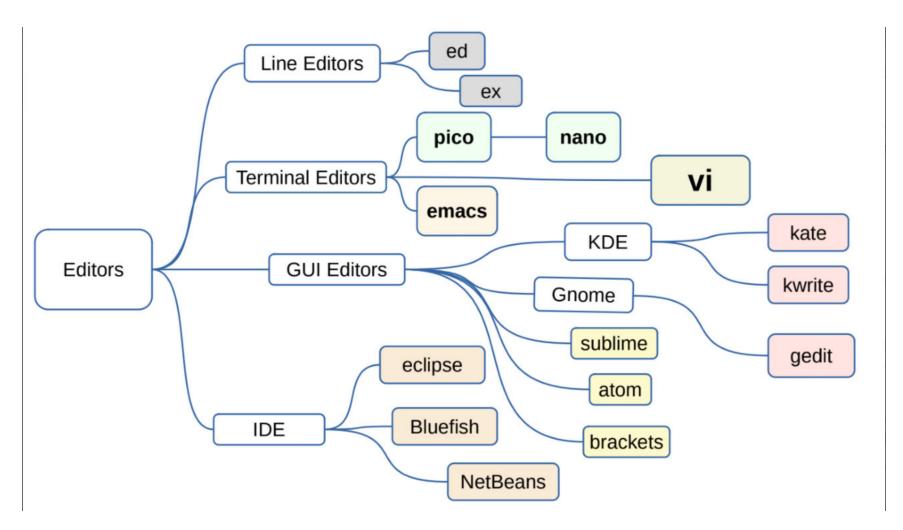


Command Line Editors - pt. 1

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Command line editors

Working with text files in the terminal



Features

• Scrolling, view modes, current position in the file

- Navigation (char, word, line, pattern)
- Insert, Replace, Delete
- Cut-Copy-Paste
- Search-Replace
- Language-aware syntax highlighting
- Key-maps, init scripts, macros
- Plugins

ed

| Show the Prompt | P |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Command Format | [addr[,addr]]cmd[params] |
| commands for location | 2 . \$ % + - , ; /RE/ |
| commands for editing | fp a c d i j s m u |
| execute a shell command | ! command |
| edit a file | e filename |
| read file contents into buffer | r filename |
| read command output into buffer | r !command |
| write buffer to filename | w filename |
| quit | q |

Command Format → [starting-address[,ending-address]command[command-parameters]]

To locate the cursor on any particular line of the file ...

We can use the line number itself

- press 2 → in the 2nd line of the text file
- press . (dot) → referring to the current line the cursor is
- press \$ \rightarrow refers to the last line
- press % \rightarrow refers to all the lines, i.e. any action we are doing applies to all the lines
- press $+ \rightarrow$ line after the cursor
- press (minus sign) \rightarrow line before the cursor
- press , (comma) \rightarrow represent the entire buffer, i.e. the whole file
- press ; (semicolon) → refers the end of the text file from the current position
- /RE/ → To match a specific Regular Expression in the file

A way to invoke the ed editor

ed file.txt

and it shows the number of bytes in the file, instead of the contents of the file ... ayo wut



```
Documents/week5 ed test.txt
117
P This gives a prompt
*1 Move the cursor to line #1
line-1 hello world
*$ Move the cursor to end of the buffer
line-4 end of file
*,P Show all the lines in the file
line-1 hello world
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
*2,3p Show lines from 2 to 3
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
*/hello/ Find the line with the pattern "hello"
line-1 hello world
*/oldest/Find the line with the pattern "oldest"
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
*1 Move to line #1
line-1 hello world
*+ Move to the next line
line-2 welcome to line editor
*- Move to the previous line
line-1 hello world
*3 Move to line #3
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
*;p Get all the lines from current line to the end of file
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
*%p Display all the lines of the file
line-1 hello world
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
* Get the current line
line-4 end of file
```

Run a bash command, read the bash command's output and write it to the file

```
### / Documents/week5 ed test.txt

117
P
*!date
Tuesday 01 February 2022 09:03:06 PM IST
!
*r !date
41
*w
158
*,p
line-1 hello world
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
Tuesday 01 February 2022 09:03:11 PM IST
*
```

Delete the last line of the file and write the changes to the file

```
Documents/week5 ed test.txt
158
,p
line-1 hello world
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
Tuesday 01 February 2022 09:03:11 PM IST
Tuesday 01 February 2022 09:03:11 PM IST
.d
P
*,p
line-1 hello world
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
*W
117
*q
```

Append a line to the file (press . then enter to exit)

```
Documents/week5 ed test.txt
117
Р
line-1 hello world
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
*1
line-1 hello world
appended this line after line-1
*,p
line-1 hello world
appended this line after line-1
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
```

Search and Replace

```
*2
appended this line after the first line
*s/appended/Appended
Appended this line after the first line
*,p
line-1 hello world
Appended this line after the first line
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of file
```

File name

*f test.txt

Print the current line

*p line-4 end of file

Append to the current line

*a
This line is appended at the end of the file
.

Join line 5 and 6 (The command is 5,6j)

*5
line-4 end of file
*5,6j
*p
line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file
*.
line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file

Move the current line after the given line # (We are moving the current line below line 1 here)

```
*m1

*,p

line-1 hello world

line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file

Appended this line after the first line

line-2 welcome to line editor

line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
```

Undo the previous operation

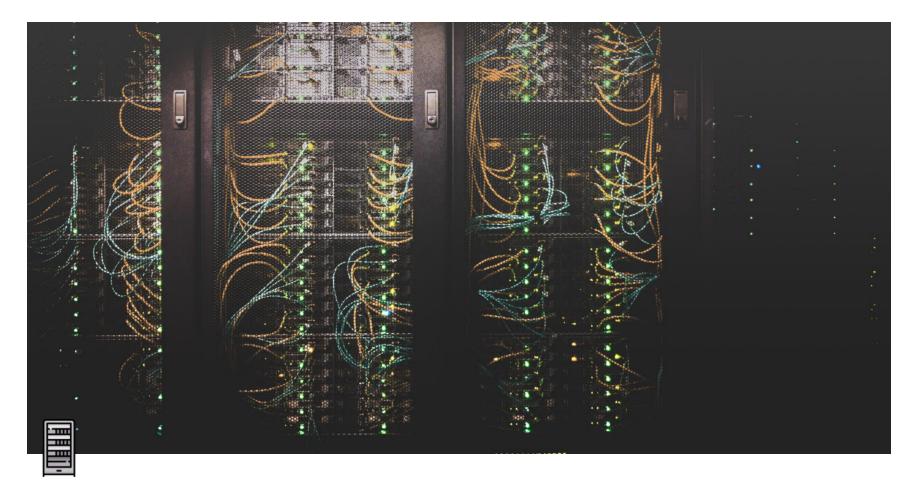
```
*u
*,p
line-1 hello world
Appended this line after the first line
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file
```

Add a prefix to all the lines and then modify the prefix on some lines

```
Documents/week5 ed test.txt
201
P
*,p
line-1 hello world
Appended this line after the first line
line-2 welcome to line editor
line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file
*%s/\(.*\)/PREFIX \1/
PREFIX line-1 hello world
PREFIX Appended this line after the first line
PREFIX line-2 welcome to line editor
PREFIX line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
PREFIX line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file
*3,5s/PREFIX/prefix/
*,p
PREFIX line-1 hello world
PREFIX Appended this line after the first line
prefix line-2 welcome to line editor
prefix line-3 ed is perhaps the oldest editor out there
prefix line-4 end of fileThis line is appended at the end of the file
```

ed/ex commands

| f | show name of file being edited |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| р | print the current line |
| a | append at the current line |
| С | change the line |
| d | delete the current line |
| i | insert line at the current position |
| j | join lines |
| S | search for regex pattern |
| m | move current line to position |
| u | undo latest change |



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readlink

Prints the resolved symbolic links or canonical file names, but what does that mean?

If we have file which is a symbolic link to file which in turn is another symbolic link to a file and so on ...

The readlink command will display the actual file the initial symbolic link is referring to

Example usage

readlink -f /usr/bin/pico

Output

/usr/bin/nano

.bashrc

It is a config file that is read by the bash shell everytime it opens

nano

nano is a text editor, example syntax is nano filename

It also does syntax highlighting

File handling

Ctrl+S Save current file

Ctrl+O Offer to write file ("Save as")

Ctrl+R Insert a file into current one

Ctrl+X Close buffer, exit from nano

Editing

Ctrl+K Cut current line into cutbuffer

Alt+6 Copy current line into cutbuffer

Ctrl+U Paste contents of cutbuffer

Alt+T Cut until end of buffer

Ctrl+] Complete current word

Alt+3 Comment/uncomment line/region

Alt+U Undo last action

Alt+E Redo last undone action

Search and replace

Ctrl+Q Start backward search

Ctrl+W Start forward search

Alt+Q Find next occurrence backward

Alt+W Find next occurrence forward

Alt+R Start a replacing session

Deletion

Ctrl+H Delete character before cursor

Ctrl+D Delete character under cursor

Alt+Bsp Delete word to the left

Ctrl+Del Delete word to the right

Alt+Del Delete current line

Operations

Ctrl+T Execute some command

Ctrl+J Justify paragraph or region

Alt+J Justify entire buffer

Alt+B Run a syntax check

Alt+F Run a formatter/fixer/arranger

Alt+: Start/stop recording of macro

Alt+; Replay macro

Moving around

Ctrl+B One character backward

Ctrl+F One character forward

Ctrl+← One word backward

Ctrl+→ One word forward

Ctrl+A To start of line

Ctrl+E To end of line

Ctrl+P One line up

Ctrl+N One line down

Ctrl+↑ To previous block

Ctrl+↓ To next block

Ctrl+Y One page up

Ctrl+V One page down

Alt+\ To top of buffer

Alt+/ To end of buffer

Special movement

Alt+G Go to specified line

Alt+] Go to complementary bracket

Alt+↑ Scroll viewport up

Alt+↓ Scroll viewport down

Alt+< Switch to preceding buffer

Alt+> Switch to succeeding buffer

Information

Ctrl+C Report cursor position

Alt+D Report line/word/character count

Ctrl+G Display help text

Various

Alt+A Turn the mark on/off

Tab Indent marked region

Shift+Tab Unindent marked region

Alt+V Enter next keystroke verbatim

Alt+N Turn line numbers on/off

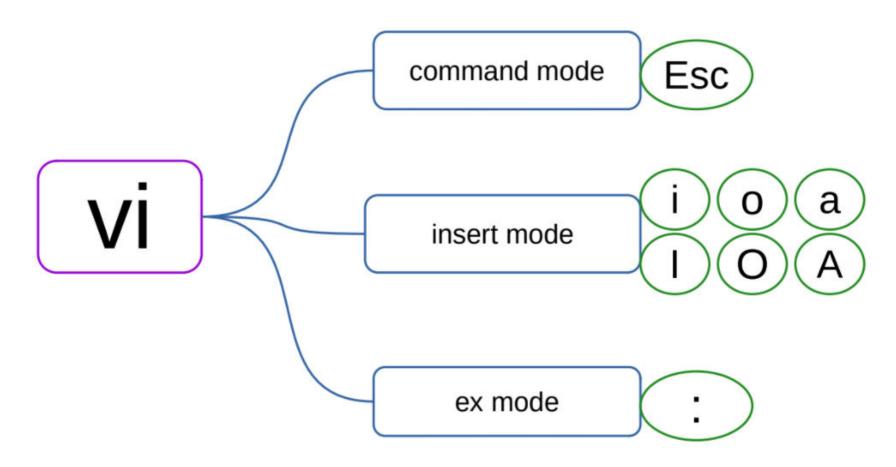
Alt+P Turn visible whitespace on/off

Alt+X Hide or unhide the help lines

Ctrl+L Refresh the screen

Source: https://www.nano-editor.org/dist/latest/cheatsheet.html

Modes in vi editor

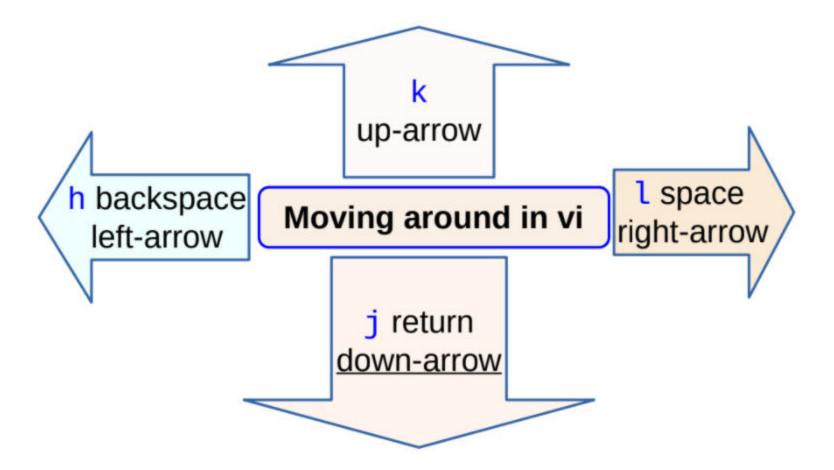


- i will insert the characters from the current position of the cursor
- will insert a new line
- a will append the text

vi help

- These work only in the Command mode
 - Press Esc to enter this mode
- To exit out of vi
 - o :w → write out
 - \circ $x \to write out and quit$
 - o write out and quit

 - \circ [q] \rightarrow ignore changes and quit
 - o If nothing else works, cry and smash your keyboard, and then rage quit



vi command mode

- Screen manipulation
 - o Ctrl + F → Scroll forward one screen
 - o Ctrl + B → Scroll backward one screen
 - o Ctrl + D → Scroll down half screen
 - \circ Ctrl + U \rightarrow Scroll up half screen
 - o Ctrl + L → Redraw screen
 - o Ctrl + R → Redraw screen removing deleted stuff

Moving around

- o o → Start of the current line
- \circ \$ \rightarrow End of the current line
- ∘ w → Beginning of the next word
- \circ **b** \rightarrow Beginning of the preceding word
- o :0 → First line in the file
- \circ 1G \rightarrow First line in the file
- \circ n-th line in the file
- o ng → n-th line in the file
- \circ :\$ \rightarrow Last line in the file
- o G → Last line in the file

Changing text

- \circ R \rightarrow Replace characters from the cursor till Esc
- \circ Cw \to Change word under the cursor, from the current character till Esc
- \circ CNW \rightarrow Change **N** words, from the current character till Esc
- C (CAPITAL C) → Change characters in the current line till Esc
- \circ cc (small c) \rightarrow Change the line till Esc
- \circ NCC \rightarrow Change the next **N** lines, starting from the current till Esc

Deleting text

- \circ \times \to Delete a single character under the cursor
- \circ Nx \rightarrow Delete **N** characters from the cursor
- o dw → Delete one word, from the character under the cursor
- \circ dNw \rightarrow Delete **N** words, from the character under the cursor
- \circ Delete the rest of the line, from the character under the cursor
- o dd → Delete the current line
- Ndd → Delete the next N lines, starting from the current one

Copy and Paste text

- \circ yy (small y) \rightarrow Copy the current line to the buffer
- \circ Nyy \to Copy the next N lines, including the current, into the buffer
- $\circ \hspace{0.2in} \overline{\hspace{0.2in}} \hspace{0.2in} \hspace{0.2in} \rightarrow \hspace{0.2in} \text{Paste buffer into the file after the current line}$
- u → Undo the previous action

Searching text

- \circ /string \to Search forward for the given string
- \circ ?string \to Search backward for the given string
- \circ n \rightarrow Move the cursor to the next occurance of the string
- \circ N \rightarrow Move the cursor to the previous occurrance of the string

:se nu → Set line numbers

:se nonu → Unset the line numbers



Command Line Editors - pt. 3

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To copy a file using secure copy scp

 $Syntax \rightarrow \text{scp } < \text{username} > @ < \text{IP_ADDRESS} > : < \text{path/to/file/on/that/machine} > & \text{where/to/save} > \\ | & \text{scp} < \text{username} > & \text{where/to/save} > \\ | & \text{scp} < \text{username} > & \text{where/to/save} > \\ | & \text{scp} < \text{username} > & \text{where/to/save} > \\ | & \text{scp} < \text{username} > & \text{where/to/save} > \\ | & \text{scp} < \text{username} > & \text{username} > & \text{username} > & \text{username} > \\ | & \text{scp} < \text{username} > & \text{userna$

Example \rightarrow scp gphani@10.17.0.167:Documents/code3d.tar .

To untar (extract) a .tar file

 $Syntax \rightarrow [tar -xvf filename.tar]$

emacs

C-x means ctrl + x

M-x means Alt + x

- Moving around
 - o C-p → Move up by one line
 - o C-b → Move left by one character
 - o C-f → Move right by one character
 - o C-n → Move down by one line
 - o C-a → Go to the beginning of the current line
 - \circ C-e \rightarrow Go to the end of the current line
 - \circ C-v \rightarrow Move forward one screen
 - \circ M-< \rightarrow Move to the first line of the file
 - o M-b → Move left to the previous word
 - \circ M-f \rightarrow Move right to the next word
 - \circ M-> \rightarrow Move to the last line of the file

- o M-a → Move to the beginning of the current sentence
- M-e → Move to the end of the current sentence
- o M-v → Move back one screen

Source: https://www.gnu.org/software/emacs/refcards/pdf/refcard.pdf

emacs commands

- Exiting emacs
 - \circ C-x C-s \rightarrow Save buffer to the file
 - o C-z → Exit emacs but keep it running
 - \circ C-x C-c \rightarrow Exit emacs and stop it
- Searching a text
 - o C-s → Search forward
 - o C-r → Search backward
 - o M-x → Replace string
- Copy and Paste
 - M-backspace → Cut the word before the cursor
 - \circ M-d \rightarrow Cut the word after the cursor
 - \circ C-k \rightarrow Cut from the cursor to the end of the line
 - \circ M-k \rightarrow Cut from the cursor to the end of the sentence
 - \circ C-y \rightarrow Paste the content at the cursor

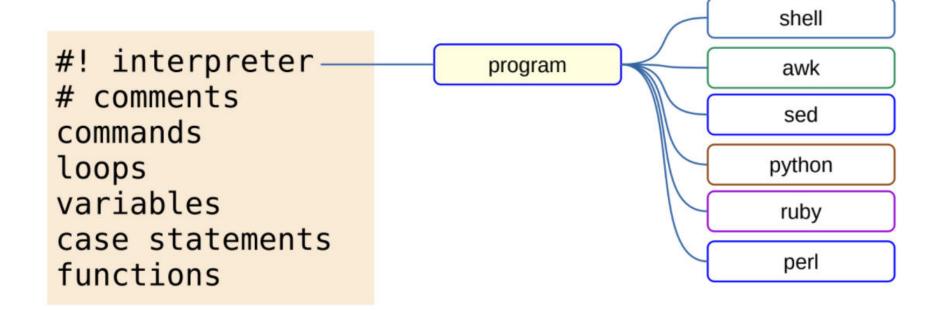
Syntax for emacs → emacs -nw filename

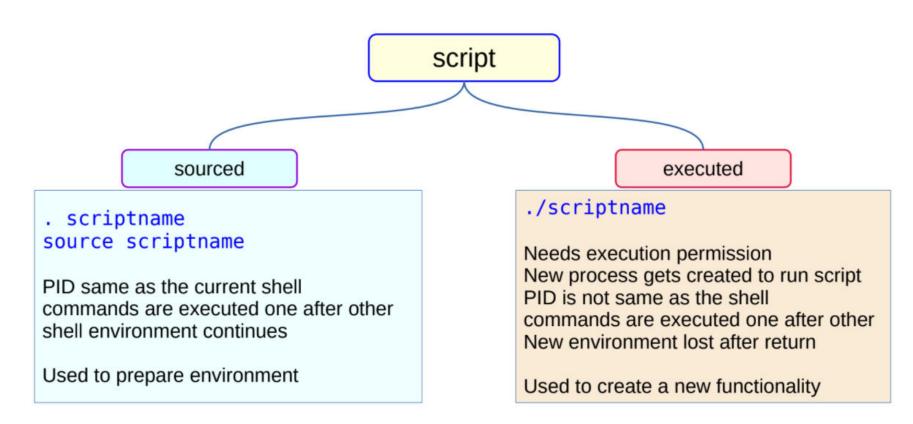
Make sure to pass the -nw flag to make it open in terminal mode instead of the GUI



Overview of shell scripts







Script location

- · Use absolute path or relative path while executing the script
- Keep the script in the folder listed in **SPATH**
- Watch out for the sequence of directories in SPATH

bash environment

- When you are already logged in to a system and using the GNOME environment to open a terminal, then the shell we are opening is not asking for a login and is called a **Non-login shell**
- When we ssh into a remote machine, then the shell we are logging into would have checked for the login credentials and then opened up the command line environment for us, therefore that shell is called a **Login shell**

```
Login shell
```

Non-login shell

```
/etc/profile
~/.bash_profile
~/.bash_login
~/.profile
```

/etc/bash.bashrc
~/.bashrc

Output from the shell scripts

- echo
 - Terminates with a newline if -n flag is not given
 - o echo My home is \$HOME
- printf
 - Supports format specifiers like in C
 - o printf "My home is %s\n" \$HOME

Input to shell scripts

- read var
 - String read from command line is stored in svar

Shell script arguments

```
./myscript.sh -l arg2 -v arg4
```

- $\mathfrak{so} \rightarrow \mathsf{name}$ of the shell program
- \$# \rightarrow number of arguments passed
- \$1 or $\$\{1\}$ \rightarrow first argument
- $\$\{11\}$ \rightarrow eleventh argument
- $\* or $\$_0 \rightarrow \text{all arguments at once}$
- "\$*" → all arguments as a single string
- "\$@" → all arguments as separate strings

Command substitution

```
var=`command`
var=$(command)
```

command is executed and the output is substituted

Here, the variable var will be assigned with that output

for do loop

```
for var in list
do
   commands
done
```

commands are executed once for each item in the list

space is the field delimiters

set IFS if required

case statement

```
case var in
pattern1)
  commands
  ;;
pattern2)
  commands
  ;;
esac
```

commands are executed

each pattern matched

for var in the options

if loop

```
if condition
then
commands
fi
```

```
if condition; then
commands
fi
```

commands are executed only if condition returns true

```
conditions in if
```

• test -e file **Or any** text expression

- True, if the file exists in the current directory of the shell script
- else False
- [-e file] Or any [expression]
 - Same as the above one, just a different syntax
- [[expression]] like [[\$ver == 5.*]]
 - If we intend to use regex or other complex operations
- ((expression)) like ((\$v ** 2 > 10))
 - To perform complex arithmetic operations for the test conditions
- Or just use a command like wc -1 file
 - If the command returns True, i.e. upon successful execution, this means the condition is satisfied
 - else False
- pipeline like who | grep "joy" > /dev/null
 - A set of commands which can be combined with other commands and redirection of output and combination of logical expressions using the 🔐 or 🕕
 - These can be put as the condition

For negation, use <u>•</u> before the condition

test numeric comparisons

- \$n1 -eq \$n2
 - Check if n1 is equal to n2
- \$n1 -ge \$n2
 - Check if n1 is greater than or equal to n2
- \$n1 -gt \$n2
 - Check if n1 is greater than n2
- \$n1 -le \$n2
 - Check if n1 is less than or equal to n2
- \$n1 -lt \$n2
 - o Check if n1 is less than n2
- \$n1 -ne \$n2
 - Check if n1 is not equal to n2

test string comparisons

- \$str1 = \$str2
 - Check if str1 is the same as str2
- \$str1 != \$str2
 - Check if str1 is not the same as str2
- \$str1 < \$str2
 - o Check if str1 is less than str2
 - Compares based on lexicographical (alphabetical) order
- \$str1 > \$str2
 - Check if str1 is greater than str2
 - o Compares based on lexicographical (alphabetical) order
- -n \$str1
 - Check if str1 has length greater than zero

- -z \$str1
 - Check if str1 has the length zero

Unary file comparisons

- -e file
 - Check if the file exists
- -d file
 - o Check if the file exists and is a directory
- -f file
 - o Check if the file exists and is a file
- -r file
 - Check if the file exists and is readable
- -s file
 - Check if the file exists and is not empty
- -w file
 - Check if the file exists and is writable
- -x file
 - Check if the file exists and is executable
- -O file
 - o Check if the file exists and is owned by the current user
- -G file
 - o Check if the file exists and the default group is the same as that of the current user

Binary file comparisons

- file1 -nt file2
 - Check if file1 is newer than file2
- file1 -ot file2
 - Check if file1 is older than file2

while do loop

```
while condition
do
commands
done
```

commands are executed only if the condition returns true

until do loop

```
until condition
do
   commands
done
```

commands are executed only if the condition returns false

functions

definition

```
myfunc()
{
```

commands
}

call

myfunc

commands are executed each time myfunc is called

Definitions must be before the calls