CS 35L Fall 17 Section 7 Notes 2 Zhaowei Tan

More command lines!

- 1. > <: Redirect the output to file/redirect file as input
- 2. cmd1 cmd2: Pipeline takes the output of cmd1 as input of cmd2
- 3. find and grep: Help you search in system/file
- 4. Wildcard: ? and *

Bash basics:

- 1. To declare a file as a bash script, starting with #!/bin/bash, so that when you execute it, the system knows it is a bash script, and run it accordingly.
- 2. Comment in bash: #
- 3. To assign a variable: var=5, no need to declare it beforehand. To print it, echo \$var. Pay attention to when you need the dollar sign.
- 4. For arithmetic calculation, use () Example: i=((i+1))
- 5. Inside shell, you can wrap your command program inside `. For example, a=`ls /usr/bin`. Alternatively, you could use a=\$(ls /usr/bin)
- 6. String could be wrapped inside " or ', there's a major difference though. if we have lan=English echo "Language is \$lan" and echo 'language is \$lan' have different outputs.
- 7. Some built-in variables:

\$0: the first command line argument (i.e. your program name)

\$1: the second command line argument

\$2: similar

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\$#: the number of arguments

8. Get input from user: read variable_name

Give user prompt: -p

Example: read -p "your prompt" variable_name

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9. If statement: (you need the space)
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if [ condition ]
then
commands
elif [ condition ]
then
commands
else
commands
fi
```

10. Some useful conditions:

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string1 == string2 # if two strings are identical
integer_a -eq integer_b # if a equals to b
Similarly, we have -gt, -ge, -lt, -le for greater than, greater than or equals
to, less than, less than or equals to, respectively
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11. While loops:

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while [ condition ] do commands done
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12. For loops:

for i in list do commands done

Here the list could be a string with items separated with space So this makes sense: for i in `ls .`