CS 251: [Code Warrior:] Bash Scripting and Linux Shell

- Handed out: 8/14 Due: 8/17 11pm. Corrected typos and added minor clarifications: 8/16.
- Please write (only if true) the honor code. If you used any source (person or thing) explicitly state it. You can find the honor code on the web page.

Overview

The goal of this assignment is to make you familiar with some of the tools available on a typical bash shell, and also a bit about scripting using bash.

The goals in this assignment can be accomplished using multiple ways. The goal is to do the assignment using bash constructs, and commonly available tools in **coreutils** under GNU-Linux. You are not expected to write the answer in C or C++, or use other mechanisms.

On the other hand, don't make life tortuous for you. Where unclear, please ask on the help forum. By default, assume the scripts written by you are present in the current working directory.

Pretasks

Make sure you link your previous assignment in your public_html directory so that the instructor can find it during viva hours.

This is an ongoing ritual, and we don't want to keep reminding you. Before coming to lab, or the first thing in the lab, complete your pretasks. Ask your jTA to record this.

Start thinking about your Box2D based project (due after midsem).

Tasks:

1. Given a C filename as input argument, write a script print_header_files.sh to print the names of VALID header files that are included. The script will print the answer on the standard output (print only the header filename, e.g. iostream.h).

A sample file power.c has been given. Compile C file using something like

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gcc power.c -lm
```

For the given sample power.c file, your script should print following header files:

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stdio.h
math.h
stdlib.h
```

Notes: Validity can be quite complex to define, based on the standard of C one uses. Use sensible defaults. Specifically watch out for spaces in the syntax of included files, and comments in the file. Consider only single line comments for this problem. Multiline comments using /* is not a part of this task.

[Marks: 10]

2. Write a script count_files.sh to print the count of all the files and the folders present in the current directory. Your count should also include the so-called hidden files. Recursion is not expected.

Your script should print the number of files followed by the number of directories as given below. Note that there is no extra English text, only the values.

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<number_of_files>
<number_of_directories>
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Notes: This task can be easily accomplished by find. We don't want you to use this. On cheaper routers such as the one in your hostels, and in embedded systems (such as the one you find on the TV screen in airplanes), the find command is not available, but 1s is available. [Marks-6]

3. Write a script system_spec.sh to print the frequency of the processor in your Linux system. After that, also print the physical and virtual address sizes in the system. Script should only output the values required and nothing apart from that.

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<frequency_of_the_processor>
<physical_address_size>
<virtual_address_size>
```

Notes: Ask us on Piazza on where to look for this info. If you have multiple processors in your system, use (only) the first available processor which may be indexed as the zeroth processor. [Marks- 8]

4. Write a script that implements a flexible "file open" system. It will take as argument the file to be opened. And it will read a configuration file whose format is as given in the provided file myopen.cfg.

Each line of myopen.cfg corresponds to the specification of the program to use to open for a file of a particular extension. Running the script with the argument <filename>.<extension> should search through the configuration file, find the program to use for opening the given file (by matching the extension), and then use the program to open the given file. Your script should handle exceptional cases as given below. It should exit with exit value of

- 1 if no argument is given.
- 2 if the configuration file is not found.
- 3 if no program can be found corresponding to the given extension.
- 4 if the program corresponding to given extension does not exist.

The configuration file myopen.cfg is to be assumed to be in the HOME directory. [Marks-10]

5. Write a script script_compile.sh to compile all the C programs present in current working directory and generate two output files named good.txt and bad.txt. good.txt should contain names of all the files which were compiled without any error whereas bad.txt should contain those file names which generated any kind of warning or error during compilation.

Keep in mind your script should NOT print anything on standard output in ANY case.

[Marks- 8]

6. Imagine you are working on a program, and whenever you write changes to the hard disk with a "save", the file is stored with a random name so that all saved versions of your program are available at all times.

Now you want to differentiate between the versions of files by appending the date and time of last modification.

Write a script ohwhattime.sh that looks at all the files in the current working directory, and does this work for you. Assume the script file itself is not to be considered.

example :- abc.txt will get renamed to abc.txt_month_day_hour:min

month will be the numbers 01-12, day will be a number between 01 and 31, hour will be 00-23, and min will be rounded to the minute in 00-59

[Marks- 12]

7. You have a file population.csv data where column 1 is the year, and column 2 has the population in that particular year. You have to compute for each year the population increase in that particular year. Write a script compute_inc.sh that generates population_inc.csv that has year as 1st column and the population increase from the previous year in the 2nd column. [Marks-7]

Submission Guidelines:

- 1. When you submit, please document individual percentages such as Student 1: 80%, Student 2:100%, Student 3:10%. In this example, the second student will get full marks, i.e., 10/10 and the first student will receive 8/10.
- 2. Do include a readme.txt (telling me whatever you want to tell me including individual percentages). Do include group members (name, roll number), group number, honour code, citations etc. Make sure that numbers are in sorted ascending order.
- 3. The name of the submission folder should be lab04_groupXY_final.tar.gz

How We will Grade You

- Honor Code and package complete in all respects +2. **Incorrect or incomplete -2**.
- Marks corresponding to all the question is given along with the question itself.