# ADVANCED BASH SCRIPTING

#### BASIC SHELL PROGRAMMING

- A script is a file that contains shell commands
  - data structure: variables
  - control structure: sequence, decision, loop
- Shebang line for bash shell script:

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

#! /bin/sh

- o to run:
  - make executable: % chmod +x script
  - invoke via: % ./script

# BASH SHELL PROGRAMMING

- Input
  - prompting user
  - command line arguments
- Decision:
  - if-then-else
  - case
- Repetition
  - do-while, repeat-until
  - for
  - select
- Functions

#### USER INPUT

• shell allows to prompt for user input Syntax:

```
read varname [more vars]
```

oor

```
read -p "prompt" varname [more vars]
```

- words entered by user are assigned to varname and "more vars"
- last variable gets rest of input line

# USER INPUT EXAMPLE

```
#! /bin/sh
read -p "enter your name: " first last
echo "First name: $first"
echo "Last name: $last"
```

# SPECIAL SHELL VARIABLES

Parameter	Meaning	
\$0	Name of the current shell script	
\$1-\$9	Positional parameters 1 through 9	
\$#	The number of positional parameters	
\$*	All positional parameters, "\$*" is one string	
\$@	All positional parameters, "\$@" is a set of strings	
\$?	Return status of most recently executed command	
\$\$	Process id of current process	

# BASH CONTROL STRUCTURES

- if-then-else
- o case
- o loops
  - for
  - while
  - until
  - select

#### IF STATEMENT

```
if command
then
  statements
fi
```

• statements are executed only if **command** succeeds, i.e. has return status "0"

#### TEST COMMAND

### Syntax:

```
test expression
[ expression ]
```

o evaluates 'expression' and returns true or false

# Example:

```
if test -w "$1"
  then
  echo "file $1 is write-able"
fi
```

### THE SIMPLE IF STATEMENT

```
if [ condition ]; then
  statements
fi
```

• executes the statements only if **condition** is true

#### THE IF-THEN-ELSE STATEMENT

```
if [ condition ]; then
    statements-1
else
    statements-2
fi
```

- executes statements-1 if condition is true
- executes statements-2 if condition is false

### THE IF...STATEMENT

```
if [ condition ]; then
    statements
elif [ condition ]; then
    statement
else
    statements
fi
```

- The word elif stands for "else if"
- It is part of the if statement and cannot be used by itself

# RELATIONAL OPERATORS

Meaning	Numeric	String
Greater than	-gt	
Greater than or equal	-ge	
Less than	-1t	
Less than or equal	-le	
Equal	-eg	= or ==
Not equal	-ne	!=
str1 is less than str2		str1 < str2
str1 is greater str2		str1 > str2
String length is greater than zero		-n str
String length is zero		-z str

# COMPOUND LOGICAL EXPRESSIONS

! not

and, or must be enclosed within or [[ ]]

### EXAMPLE: USING THE! OPERATOR

#!/bin/bash

```
read -p "Enter years of work: " Years
if [ ! "$Years" -lt 20 ]; then
   echo "You can retire now."
else
   echo "You need 20+ years to retire"
fi
```

### EXAMPLE: USING THE && OPERATOR

```
#!/bin/bash
Bonus=500
read -p "Enter Status: " Status
read -p "Enter Shift: " Shift
if [[ "$Status" = "H" && "$Shift" = 3 ]]
then
   echo "shift $Shift gets \$$Bonus bonus"
else
   echo "only hourly workers in"
   echo "shift 3 get a bonus"
fi
```

# EXAMPLE: USING THE | OPERATOR

#!/bin/bash

read -p "Enter calls handled: " CHandle read -p "Enter calls closed: " CClose if [[ "\$CHandle" -gt 150 || "\$CClose" -gt 50 ]] then echo "You are entitled to a bonus" else echo "You get a bonus if the calls" echo "handled exceeds 150 or" echo "calls closed exceeds 50" fi

### FILE TESTING

#### Meaning

-d file True if 'file' is a directory

-f file True if 'file' is an ord. file

-r file True if 'file' is readable

-w file True if 'file' is writable

-x file True if 'file' is executable

### EXAMPLE: FILE TESTING

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Enter a filename: "
read filename
if [ ! -r "$filename" ]
  then
    echo "File is not read-able"
exit 1
fi
```

### EXAMPLE: IF... STATEMENT

```
# The following THREE if-conditions produce the same result
* DOUBLE SQUARE BRACKETS
read -p "Do you want to continue?" reply
if [[ $reply = "y" ]]; then
   echo "You entered " $reply
fi
* SINGLE SQUARE BRACKETS
read -p "Do you want to continue?" reply
if [ $reply = "y" ]; then
   echo "You entered " $reply
fi
* "TEST" COMMAND
read -p "Do you want to continue?" reply
if test $reply = "y"; then
   echo "You entered " $reply
fi
```

### EXAMPLE: IF..ELIF... STATEMENT

```
#!/bin/bash
read -p "Enter Income Amount: " Income
read -p "Enter Expenses Amount: " Expense
let Net=$Income-$Expense
if [ "$Net" -eq "0" ]; then
   echo "Income and Expenses are equal -
 breakeven."
elif [ "$Net" -gt "0" ]; then
   echo "Profit of: " $Net
else
  echo "Loss of: " $Net
fi
```

### THE CASE STATEMENT

• use the case statement for a decision that is based on multiple choices

#### Syntax:

```
case word in
   pattern1) command-list1
;;
  pattern2) command-list2
;;
  patternN) command-listN
;;
```

#### CASE PATTERN

- checked against word for match
- o may also contain:

```
*
?
[...]
[:class:]
o multiple patterns can be listed via:
```

### EXAMPLE 1: THE CASE STATEMENT

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Enter Y to see all files including hidden files"
echo "Enter N to see all non-hidden files"
echo "Enter q to quit"
read -p "Enter your choice: " reply
case $reply in
  Y YES) echo "Displaying all (really...) files"
        ls -a ;;
 N NO) echo "Display all non-hidden files..."
        ls ;;
 Q) exit 0 ;;
  *) echo "Invalid choice!"; exit 1 ;;
esac
```

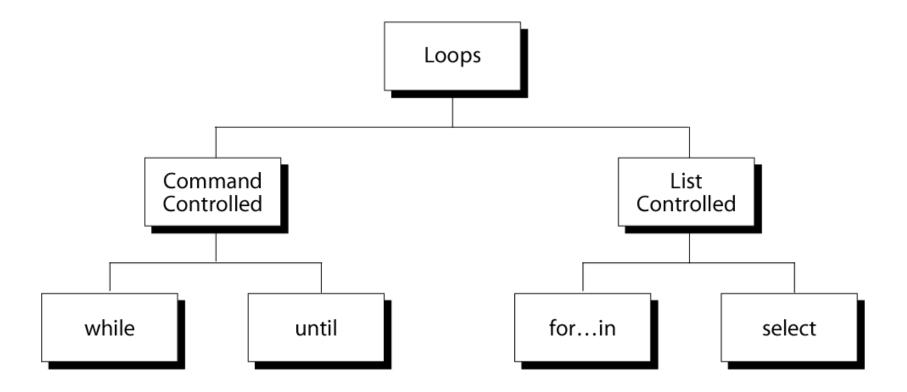
### EXAMPLE 2: THE CASE STATEMENT

```
#!/bin/bash
ChildRate=3
AdultRate=10
SeniorRate=7
read -p "Enter your age: " age
case $age in
  [1-9] | [1] [0-2]) # child, if age 12 and younger
     echo "your rate is" '$'"$ChildRate.00" ;;
  # adult, if age is between 13 and 59 inclusive
  [1][3-9]|[2-5][0-9]
     echo "your rate is" '$'"$AdultRate.00" ;;
  [6-9][0-9]) # senior, if age is 60+
     echo "your rate is" '$'"$SeniorRate.00" ;;
esac
```

### BASH PROGRAMMING: SO FAR

- Data structure
  - Variables
  - Numeric variables
  - Arrays
- User input
- Control structures
  - if-then-else
  - case

# REPETITION CONSTRUCTS



### THE WHILE LOOP

• Purpose:

To execute commands in "command-list" as long as "expression" evaluates to true

### Syntax:

```
while [ expression ]
do
     command-list
done
```

### EXAMPLE: USING THE WHILE LOOP

```
#!/bin/bash
COUNTER=0
while [ $COUNTER -lt 10 ]
do
    echo The counter is $COUNTER
    let COUNTER=$COUNTER+1
done
```

# THE UNTIL LOOP

• Purpose:

To execute commands in "command-list" as long as "expression" evaluates to false

# **Syntax:**

```
until [ expression ]
do
     command-list
done
```

# EXAMPLE: USING THE UNTIL LOOP

```
#!/bin/bash

COUNTER=20
until [ $COUNTER -lt 10 ]
do
    echo $COUNTER
    let COUNTER-=1
done
```

## THE FOR LOOP

• Purpose:

To execute commands as many times as the number of words in the "argument-list"

### Syntax:

```
for variable in argument-list do
```

commands

done

# EXAMPLE 1: THE FOR LOOP

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in 7 9 2 3 4 5
do
    echo $i
done
```

#### EXAMPLE 2: USING THE FOR LOOP

```
#!/bin/bash
# compute the average weekly temperature
for num in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
do
   read -p "Enter temp for day $num: " Temp
   let TempTotal=$TempTotal+$Temp
done
let AvgTemp=$TempTotal/7
echo "Average temperature: " $AvgTemp
```

#### LOOPING OVER ARGUMENTS

• simplest form will iterate over all command line arguments:

### SELECT COMMAND

- Constructs simple menu from word list
- Allows user to enter a number instead of a word
- User enters sequence number corresponding to the word

## Syntax:

```
select WORD in LIST
do
RESPECTIVE-COMMANDS
done
```

• Loops until end of input, i.e. ^d (or ^c)

# SELECT EXAMPLE

```
#! /bin/bash
select var in alpha beta gamma
do
```

echo \$var

done

• Prints:

- 1) alpha
- 2) beta
- 3) gamma

#? 2

beta

#? 4

#? 1

alpha

#### SELECT EXAMPLE

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "script to make files private"
echo "Select file to protect:"
select FILENAME in *
do
  echo "You picked $FILENAME ($REPLY)"
  chmod go-rwx "$FILENAME"
  echo "it is now private"
done
```

# SHELL FUNCTIONS

- must be defined before they can be referenced
- o usually placed at the beginning of the script

### **Syntax:**

```
function-name () {
    statements
}
```

```
EXAMPLE: FUNCTION
#!/bin/bash
funky () {
 # This is a simple function
 echo "This is a funky function."
 echo "Now exiting funky function."
# declaration must precede call:
funky
```

