LAB 2: SHELL SCRIPTS

1. Write and Execute the following commands.

Create a file called as sample.txt and enter some text and execute the command

- a) \$wc < sample.txt</pre>
- b) \$wc sample.txt > newfile \$cat newfile
- c) \$(ls -x *.c; echo; cat *.c) > c progs all.txt

Do not create a file called sample1 and execute the following command.

- a) \$cat sample1 2>errorfile
- b) \$cat sample1 2>>errorfile

Pipes.

- a) \$who > user.txt
 \$cat user.txt
- b) \$wc -l < user.txt
- c) **\$who | wc -l**
- d) \$Is | wc -l
- e) \$ls | wc -l > fcount

Command substitution

- a) \$echo The date today is `date`
- b) \$echo "There are `ls | wc -l` files in the current directory"
- c) \$echo 'There are `Is | wc -I` files in the current directory'

Shell variables

- a) \$count=5
- b) \$echo \$count
- c) **\$total=\$count**
- d) \$echo \$total

Effects of Quoting and Escaping

- a) message=You\ didn\'t\ enter\ the\ filename \$echo \$message message="You didn't enter the filename" \$echo \$message
- b) \$echo "The PATH is \$PATH and the current directory is `pwd`"

Where to use Shell variables

- a) \$progs='/home'
 - \$cd \$progs; pwd
- b) \$mydir=`pwd`; echo \$mydir
- c) \$size=`wc -c < foo.txt`
 - \$echo \$size
- d) \$base=foo; ext=.c
 - \$file=\$base\$ext
 - \$cc -o \$base \$file
- 2. Write and Execute the following using shell scripts.

Create a file script.sh and execute

#!/bin/bash

#script.sh : Simple shell script

echo "Today's date: `date`"

echo "This month's calendar:"

cal `date "+%m 20%y"`

echo "My shell: \$SHELL"

Create the following interactive shell script.

```
#!/bin/sh
# file.sh: Interactive version - uses reads to take two inputs
#
echo "Enter the pattern to be searched: \c"
read pname
echo "Enter the file to be used: \c"
read flname
echo "Searching for $pname from file $flname"
grep "$pname" $flname
echo "Selected records shown above"
```

Command Line Arguments:

```
#!/bin/bash
#file1.sh: Uses command line arguments
#
echo "Program: $0 The number of arguments specified is $# The arguments are
$*"
grep "$1" $2
echo "\n Job Over"
```

exit and EXIT Status of Command:

exit 0 Used when everything went fine exit 1 Used when something went wrong

\$grep director emp.lst > /dev/null; echo \$? \$? stores exit status of last command

\$grep manager emp.lst > /dev/null; echo \$? Failure in finding pattern

\$grep manager emp3.lst > /dev/null; echo \$? Failure in opening file

Lab Exercises:

- 1. Write a shell code to accept a string from the terminal, and echo a suitable message if it doesn't have at least 10 characters using **case** and **expr** command.
- 2. Devise a script that accepts two directory names d1 and d2, and deletes those files in d2 which are identical to their names in d1.
- 3. Write a script that accepts filenames as arguments. For every filename, it should first check whether it exists in the current directory and then converts its name to uppercase, but only if a file with the new name doesn't exist.
- 4. Write a script that displays a special formatted listing showing the permissions, size, filename, last modification time, last access time of filenames supplied as arguments.
- 5. Write a shell script that displays the factorial of a given number.

Additional Exercises:

- 1. Write a shell script that takes two sorted numeric files as input and produces a single sorted numeric file without any duplicate contents.
- 2. Write a shell script that displays all the possible quadratic equation roots using case.