

# Shell Scripting

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# Outline

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# Why Shell?

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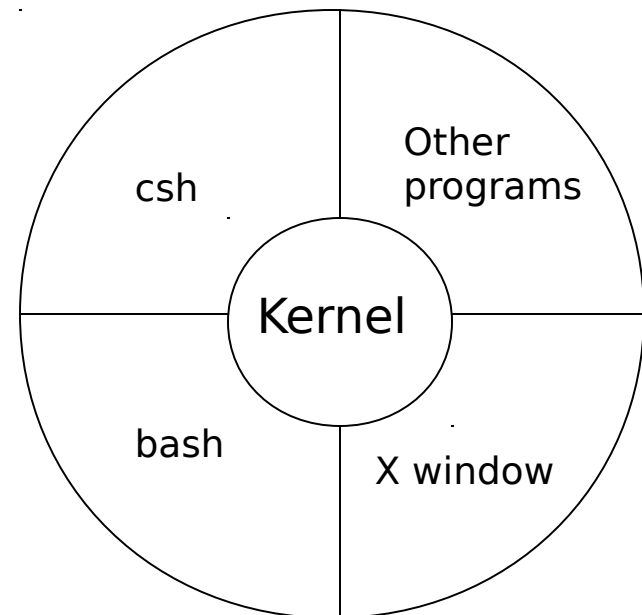
- ❑ The commercial UNIX used Korn Shell
- ❑ For Linux, the Bash is the default
- ❑ Why Shell?
  - For routing jobs, such as system administration, without writing programs
  - However, the shell script is not efficient, therefore, can be used for prototyping the ideas
- ❑ For example,
  - % `ls -al | more` (better format of listing directory)
  - % `man bash | col -b | lpr` (print man page of man)

# What is Shell?

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- ❑ Shell is the interface between end user and the Linux system, similar to the commands in Windows
- ❑ Bash is installed as in `/bin/sh`
- ❑ Check the version

`% /bin/bash --version`



# Pipe and Redirection

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## ▣ Redirection (< or >)

```
% ls -l > lsoutput.txt (save output to lsoutput.txt)
% ps >> lsoutput.txt (append to lsoutput.txt)
% more < killout.txt (use killout.txt as parameter to more)
% kill -l 1234 > killouterr.txt 2 >&1 (redirect to the same file)
% kill -l 1234 >/dev/null 2 >&1 (ignore std output)
```

## ▣ Pipe (|)

■ Process are executed *concurrently*

```
% ps | sort | more
% ps -xo comm | sort | uniq | grep -v sh | more
% cat mydata.txt | sort | uniq | > mydata.txt (generate an empty file !)
```

# Shell as a Language

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- We can write a script containing many shell commands

- Interactive Program:

- grep files with POSIX string and print it

```
% for file in *
```

```
> do
```

```
> if grep -l POSIX $file
```

```
> then
```

```
> more $file
```

```
➤ fi
```

```
➤ done
```

```
Posix
```

```
There is a file with POSIX in it
```

- '\*' is wildcard

```
% more `grep -l POSIX *`
```

```
% more $(grep -l POSIX *)
```

```
% more -l POSIX * | more
```

# Writing a Script

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- Use text editor to generate the “first” file


```
#!/bin/bash
# first
# this file looks for the files containing POSIX
# and print it
for file in *
do
    if grep -q POSIX $file
    then
        echo $file
    fi
done
exit 0
```

% **/bin/bash first**

% **chmod +x first**

% **./first** (make sure . is include in PATH parameter)

exit code, 0 means successful



# Syntax

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- ❑ Variables
- ❑ Conditions
- ❑ Control
- ❑ Lists
- ❑ Functions
- ❑ Shell Commands
- ❑ Result
- ❑ Document



# Variables

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- ▣ Variables needed to be declared, note it is case-sensitive (e. g. foo, FOO, Foo)
- ▣ Add '\$' for storing values

```
% salutation=Hello
```

```
% echo $salutation
```

```
Hello
```

```
% salutation=7+5
```

```
% echo $salutation
```

```
7+5
```

```
% salutation="yes dear"
```

```
% echo $salutation
```

```
yes dear
```

```
% read salutation
```

```
Hola!
```

```
% echo $salutation
```

```
Hola!
```

# Quoting

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- ▣ Edit a “vartest.sh” file

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

```
myvar="Hi there"
```

```
echo $myvar
```

```
echo "$myvar"
```

```
echo ` $myvar `
```

```
echo \ $myvar
```

```
echo Enter some text
```

```
read myvar
```

```
echo '$myvar' now equals $myvar
```

```
exit 0
```

## **Output**

```
Hi there
```

```
Hi there
```

```
$myvar
```

```
$myvar
```

```
Enter some text
```

```
Hello world
```

```
$myvar now equals Hello world
```

# Environment Variables

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- ❑ \$HOME    home directory
- ❑ \$PATH    path
- ❑ \$PS1    (normally %)
- ❑ \$PS2    (normally >)
- ❑ \$\$    process id of the script
- ❑ \$#    number of input parameters
- ❑ \$0    name of the script file
- ❑ \$IFS    separation character (white space)
  
- ❑ Use 'env' to check the value

# Parameter

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```
% IFS = ` `
```

```
% set foo bar bam
```

```
% echo "$@"
```

```
foo bar bam
```

```
% echo "$*"
```

```
foo bar bam
```

```
% unset IFS
```

```
% echo "$*"
```

```
foo bar bam
```

← doesn't matter IFS

# Parameter

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Edit file 'try\_var'

```
#!/bin/bash
salutation="Hello"
echo $salutation
echo "The program $0 is now running"
echo "The parameter list was $*"
echo "The second parameter was $2"
echo "The first parameter was $1"
echo "The user's home directory is $HOME"
echo "Please enter a new greeting"
read salutation
echo $salutation
echo "The script is now complete"
exit 0
```

**%./try\_var foo bar baz**

Hello

The program ./try\_var is now running

The second parameter was bar

The first parameter was foo

The parameter list was foo bar baz

The user's home directory is /home/jai

Please enter a new greeting

**Hola**

Hola

The script is now complete

# Condition

need space !

## □ test or ' [ '

```
if test -f fred.c  If [ -f fred.c  if [ -f fred.c ];then
then              ]
...              then
fi               ...
                fi
```

```
expression1 -eq expression2
expression1 -ne expression2
expression1 -gt expression2
expression1 -ge expression2
expression1 -lt expression2
expression1 -le expression2
!expression
```

```
String1 = string2
String1 != string 2
-n string  (if not empty string)
-z string  (if empty string)
```

```
-d file    if directory
-e file    if exist
-f file    if file
-g file    if set-group-id
-r file    if readable
-s file    if size >0
-u file    if set-user-id
-w file    if writable
-x file    if executable
```

# Control Structure

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## Syntax

```
if condition
then
    statement
else
    statement
fi
```

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
if [ $timeofday = "yes" ]; then
    echo "Good morning"
else
    echo "Good afternoon"
fi
exit 0
```

```
Is it morning? Please answer yes or no
yes
Good morning
```

# Condition Structure

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```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
if [ $timeofday = "yes" ]; then
    echo "Good morning"
elif [ $timeofday = "no" ]; then
    echo "Good afternoon"
else
    echo "Sorry, $timeofday not recongnized. Enter yes or no"
    exit 1
fi
exit 0
```



# Condition Structure

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```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
if [ "$timeofday" = "yes" ]; then
    echo "Good morning"
elif [ $timeofday = "no" ]; then
    echo "Good afternoon"
else
    echo "Sorry, $timeofday not recongnized. Enter yes or no"
    exit 1
fi
exit 0
```

If input "enter" still returns Good morning

# Loop Structure

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## Syntax

```
for variable  
do  
    statement  
done
```

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

```
for foo in bar fud 43  
do  
    echo $foo  
done  
exit 0
```

```
bar  
fud  
43
```

How to output as bar fud 43?

Try change for foo in "bar fud 43"

This is to have space in variable

# Loop Structure

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- ▣ Use wildcard '\*'

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

```
for file in $(ls f*.sh); do  
    lpr $file  
done  
exit 0
```

Print all f\*.sh files

# Loop Structure

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## Syntax

```
while condition
do
    statement
done
```

```
#!/bin/bash
for foo in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
do
    echo "here we go again"
done
exit 0
```

## Syntax

```
until condition
do
    statement
done
```

```
#!/bin/bash
foo = 1
while [ "$foo" -le 10 ]
do
    echo "here we go again"
    foo = $foo(($foo+1))
done
exit 0
```

Note: condition is  
Reverse to while  
How to re-write  
previous sample?

# Case Statement

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## Syntax

**case** variable in\  
 pattern [ | pattern ] ...) statement;;  
 pattern [ | pattern ] ...) statement;;  
 ...  
**esac**

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
case "$timeofday" in
    yes) echo "Good Morning";;
    y)   echo "Good Morning";;
    no)  echo "Good Afternoon";;
    n)   echo "Good Afternoon";;
    * )  echo "Sorry, answer not recongnized";;
esac
exit 0
```

# Case Statement

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## □ A much “cleaner” version

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
case "$timeofday" in
    yes | y | Yes | YES ) echo "Good Morning";;
    n* | N* )             echo "Good Afternoon";;
    * )                   echo "Sorry, answer not recongnized";;
esac
exit 0
```

But this has a problem, if we enter ‘never’ which obeys n\* case and prints “Good Afternoon”

# Case Statement

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```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
case "$timeofday" in
    yes | y | Yes | YES )
        echo "Good Morning"
        echo "Up bright and early this morning"
        ;;
    [nN]*)
        echo "Good Afternoon";;
    *)
        echo "Sorry, answer not recongnized"
        echo "Please answer yes of no"
        exit 1
        ;;
esac
exit 0
```

# List

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## □ AND (&&)

statement1 && statement2 && statement3 ...

```
#!/bin/sh
touch file_one
rm -f file_two
```

Check if file exist if not then create one

Remove a file

```
if [ -f file_one ] && echo "Hello" && [-f file_two] && echo " there"
then
    echo "in if"
else
    echo "in else"
fi
exit 0
```

### Output

```
Hello
in else
```



# List

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## □ OR (||)

statement1 || statement2 || statement3 ...

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

```
rm -f file_one
```

```
if [ -f file_one ] || echo "Hello" || echo " there"  
then
```

```
    echo "in if"
```

```
else
```

```
    echo "in else"
```

```
fi
```

```
exit 0
```

### **Output**

Hello

in else

# Statement Block

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- Use multiple statements in the same place

```
get_comfirm && {  
    grep -v "$cdcatnum" $stracks_file > $temp_file  
    cat $temp_file > $stracks_file  
    echo  
    add_record_tracks  
}
```

# Function

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- You can define functions for “structured” scripts

```
function_name() {  
    statements  
}
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
foo() {  
    echo "Function foo is executing"  
}  
echo "script starting"  
foo  
echo "script ended"  
exit 0
```

## **Output**

```
script starting  
Function foo is executing  
Script ended
```

You need to define a function before using it

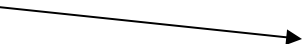
The parameters \$\*, \$@, \$#, \$1, \$2 are replaced by local value

if function is called and return to previous after function is finished 27

# Function

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define local  
variable



```
#!/bin/bash
sample_text="global variable"
foo() {
    local sample_text="local variable"
    echo "Function foo is executing"
    echo $sample_text
}
echo "script starting"
echo $sample_text
foo

echo "script ended"
echo $sample_text

exit 0
```

**Output?**

**Check the  
scope of  
the  
variables**

# Function

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## □ Use return to pass a result

```
#!/bin/bash
yes_or_no() {
    echo "Is your name $* ?"
    while true
    do
        echo -n "Enter yes or no:"
        read x
        case "$x" in
            y | yes ) return 0;;
            n | no ) return 1;;
            * ) echo "Answer yes or no"
        esac
    done
}
```

```
echo "Original parameters are $*"
if yes_or_no "$1"
then
    echo "Hi $1, nice name"
else
    echo "Never mind"
fi
exit 0
```

### Output

```
./my_name Jai Phull
Original parameters are Jai Phull
Is your name Jai?
Enter yes or no: yes
Hi Jai, nice name.
```

# Command

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- External:  
    use interactively

- Internal:

- only in script

- **break**

    skip loop

```
#!/bin/bash
rm -rf fred*
echo > fred1
echo > fred2
mkdir fred3
echo > fred4
```

```
for file in fred*
do
    if [ -d "$file" ] ; then
        break;
    fi
done
echo first directory starting fred was $file
rm -rf fred*
exit 0
```

# Command

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□ :                treats it as true

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

```
rm -f fred
```

```
if [ -f fred ]; then
```

```
    :
```

```
else
```

```
    echo file fred did not exist
```

```
fi
```

```
exit 0
```

# Command

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## □ continue      continues next iteration

```
#!/bin/bash
rm -rf fred*
echo > fred1
echo > fred2
mkdir fred3
echo > fred4
for file in fred*
do
    if [ -d "$file" ]; then
        echo "skipping directory $file"
        continue
    fi
    echo file is $file
done
rm -rf fred*
exit 0
```



# Command

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- `./shell_script`    execute shell\_script

**classic\_set**

`#!/bin/bash`

`verion=classic`

`PATH=/usr/local/old_bin:/usr/bin:/bin:.`

`PS1="classic> "`

**latest\_set**

`#!/bin/sh`

`verion=latest`

`PATH=/usr/local/new_bin:/usr/bin:/bin:.`

`PS1="latest version> "`

**% . ./classic\_set**

**classic> echo \$version**

classic

**Classic> . latest\_set**

latest

latest version>

# Command

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- ❑ echo            print string
  - ❑ -n do not output the trailing newline
  - ❑ -e enable interpretation of backslash escapes
    - \0NNN the character whose ASCII code is NNN
    - \\ backslash
    - \a alert
    - \b backspace
    - \c suppress trailing newline
    - \f form feed
    - \n newline
    - \r carriage return
    - \t horizontal tab
    - \v vertical tab
- Try these
- ```
% echo -n "string to \n output"
```
- ```
% echo -e "string to \n output"
```

# Command

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- `eval`      evaluate the value of a parameter  
                 similar to an extra '\$'

```
% foo=10
% x=foo
% y='$'$x
% echo $y
```

Output is \$foo

```
% foo=10
% x=foo
% eval y='$'$x
% echo $y
```

Output is 10

# Command

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- ❑ `exit n` ending the script
- ❑ 0 means success
- ❑ 1 to 255 means specific error code
- ❑ 126 means not executable file
- ❑ 127 means no such command
- ❑ 128 or >128 signal

```
#!/bin/bash
if [ -f .profile ]; then
    exit 0
fi
exit 1
```

```
Or % [ -f .profile ] && exit 0 || exit 1
```

# Command

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- **export** gives a value to a parameter

Output is

This is 'export2'

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

```
echo "$foo"
```

```
echo "$bar"
```

**%export1**

The second-syntactic variable

This is 'export1'

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

```
foo="The first meta-syntactic variable"
```

```
export bar="The second meta-syntactic variable"
```

%

```
export2
```

# Command

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## ▣ expr      evaluate expressions

`%x=`expr $x + 1`` (Assign result value `expr $x+1` to `x`)

Also can be written as

`%x=$(expr $x + 1)`

<code>Expr1   expr2</code> (or)	<code>expr1 != expr2</code>
<code>Expr1 &amp; expr2</code> (and)	<code>expr1 + expr2</code>
<code>Expr1 = expr2</code>	<code>expr1 - expr2</code>
<code>Expr1 &gt; expr2</code>	<code>expr1 * expr2</code>
<code>Expr1 &gt;= expr2</code>	<code>expr1 / expr2</code>
<code>Expr1 &lt; expr2</code>	<code>expr1 % expr2</code> (module)
<code>Expr1 &lt;= expr2</code>	

# Command

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□ printf            format and print data

□ Escape sequence

■ \\backslash

■ \a            beep sound

■ \b            backspace

■ \f form feed

■ \n            newline

■ \r            carriage return

■ \t tab

■ \v            vertical tab

□ Conversion specifier

■ %d            decimal

■ %c            character

■ %s            string

■ %%            print %

```
% printf "%s\n" hello
```

```
Hello
```

```
% printf "%s %d\t%s" "Hi There" 1  
5 people
```

```
Hi There 15        people
```

# Command

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- ❑ return      return a value
- ❑ set          set parameter variable

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

```
echo the date is $(date)
```

```
set $(date)
```

```
echo The month is $2
```

```
exit 0
```



# Command

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- ▣ Shift      shift parameter once, \$2 to \$1, \$3 to

\$2, and so on

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

```
while [ "$1" != "" ]; do
```

```
    echo "$1"
```

```
    shift
```

```
done
```

```
exit 0
```

# Command

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- ▣ trap action after receiving signal  
`trap` command signal
- ▣ signal explain
  - HUP (1) hung up
  - INT (2) interrupt (Ctrl + C)
  - QUIT (3) Quit (Ctrl + \)
  - ABRT (6) Abort
  - ALRM (14) Alarm
  - TERM (15) Terminate

# Command

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```
#!/bin/bash
trap 'rm -f /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$' INT
echo creating file /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
date > /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
echo "press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ..."
while [ -f /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$ ]; do
    echo File exists
    sleep 1
done
echo The file no longer exists
trap INT
echo creating file /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
date > /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
echo "press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ..."
while [ -f /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$ ]; do
    echo File exists
    sleep 1
done
echo we never get there
exit 0
```

# Command

---

```
creating file /tmp/my_file_141
press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ...
File exists
File exists
File exists
File exists
The file no longer exists
Creating file /tmp/my_file_141
Press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ...
File exists
File exists
File exists
File exists
```

# Command

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Unset                      remove parameter or function

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

```
foo="Hello World"  
echo $foo
```

```
unset $foo  
echo $foo
```

# Pattern Matching

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- ▣ find search for files in a directory hierarchy  
**find** [path] [options] [tests] [actions]

## options

-depth	find content in the directory
-follow	follow symbolic links
-maxdepths N	find N levels directories
-mount	do not find other directories

## tests

-atime N	accessed N days ago
-mtime N	modified N days ago
-new otherfile	name of a file
-type X	file type X
-user username	belong to username

# Pattern Matching

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## operator

!	-not	test reverse
-a	-and	test and
-o	-or	test or

## action

-exec command	execute command
-ok command	confirm and execute command
-print	print
-ls	ls -dils

Find files newer than while2 then print

```
% find . -newer while2 -print
```

# Pattern Matching

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Find files newer than while2 then print only files

```
% find . -newer while2 -type f -print
```

Find files either newer than while2, start with '\_'

```
% find . \( -name "_*" -or -newer while2 \) -type f  
-print
```

Find files newer than while2 then list files

```
% find . -newer while2 -type f -exec ls -l {} \;
```



# Pattern Matching

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- ▣ **grep**            print lines matching a pattern  
(General Regular Expression Parser)

**grep** [options] PATTERN [FILES]

option

- c    print number of output context
- E    Interpret PATTERN as an extended regular expression
- h    Suppress the prefixing of filenames
- i    ignore case
- l    suppress normal output
- v    invert the sense of matching

% **grep in words.txt**

% **grep -c in words.txt words2.txt**

% **grep -c -v in words.txt words2.txt**

# Regular Expressions

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- a **regular expression** (abbreviated as **regexp** or **regex**, with plural forms **regexps**, **regexes**, or **regexen**) is a **string** that describes or matches a **set** of strings, according to certain **syntax** rules.
- Syntax
  - ^ Matches the start of the line
  - \$ Matches the end of the line
  - . Matches any single character
  - [] Matches a single character that is contained within the brackets
  - [^] Matches a single character that is not contained within the brackets
  - () Defines a "marked subexpression"
  - {x,y} Match the last "block" at least x and not more than y times

# Regular Expressions

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## □ Examples:

- ".at" matches any three-character string like *hat*, *cat* or *bat*
- "[hc]at" matches *hat* and *cat*
- "[^b]at" matches all the matched strings from the regex ".at" except *bat*
- "^[hc]at" matches *hat* and *cat* but only at the beginning of a line
- "[hc]at\$" matches *hat* and *cat* but only at the end of a line

# Regular Expressions

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- | ❑ | <b>POSIX class</b>        | <b>similar to</b>           | <b>meaning</b>                       |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ❑ | <code>[[:upper:]]</code>  | <code>[A-Z]</code>          | uppercase letters                    |
| ❑ | <code>[[:lower:]]</code>  | <code>[a-z]</code>          | lowercase letters                    |
| ❑ | <code>[[:alpha:]]</code>  | <code>[A-Za-z]</code>       | upper- and lowercase letters         |
| ❑ | <code>[[:alnum:]]</code>  | <code>[A-Za-z0-9]</code>    | digits, upper- and lowercase letters |
| ❑ | <code>[[:digit:]]</code>  | <code>[0-9]</code>          | digits                               |
| ❑ | <code>[[:xdigit:]]</code> | <code>[0-9A-Fa-f]</code>    | hexadecimal digits                   |
| ❑ | <code>[[:punct:]]</code>  | <code>[.,!?:....]</code>    | punctuation                          |
| ❑ | <code>[[:blank:]]</code>  | <code>[ \t]</code>          | space and TAB characters only        |
| ❑ | <code>[[:space:]]</code>  | <code>[ \t\n\r\f\v]</code>  | blank (whitespace) characters        |
| ❑ | <code>[[:cntrl:]]</code>  |                             | control characters                   |
| ❑ | <code>[[:graph:]]</code>  | <code>[^ \t\n\r\f\v]</code> | printed characters                   |
| ❑ | <code>[[:print:]]</code>  | <code>[^ \t\n\r\f\v]</code> | printed characters and space         |
- 
- ❑ Example: `[[:upper:]]ab` should only match the uppercase letters and lowercase 'a' and 'b'.

# Regular Expressions

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- ❑ **POSIX modern (extended) regular expressions**
- ❑ The more modern "extended" regular expressions can often be used with modern Unix utilities by including the **command line** flag "-E".
- ❑ + Match one or more times
- ❑ ? Match at most once
- ❑ \* Match zero or more
- ❑ {n} Match n times
- ❑ {n,} Match n or more times
- ❑ {n,m} Match n to m times

# Regular Expressions

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- ▣ Search for lines ending with “e”

```
% grep e$ words2.txt
```

- ▣ Search for “a”

```
% grep a[[:blank:]] word2.txt
```

- ▣ Search for words starting with “Th.”

```
% grep Th.[[:blank:]] words2.txt
```

- ▣ Search for lines with 10 lower case characters

```
% grep -E [a-z]\{10\} words2.txt
```

# Command

---

- ▣ `$(command)` to execute command in a script
- ▣ Old format used `"`"` but it can be confused with `"'`  
`"`

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

```
echo The current directory is $PWD
```

```
echo the current users are $(who)
```

# Arithmetic Expansion

---

- ▣ Use `$((...))` instead of `expr` to evaluate arithmetic equation

```
#!/bin/bash
x=0
while [ "$x" -ne 10 ]; do
    echo $x
    x=$(( $x + 1 ))
done

exit 0
```



# Parameter Expansion

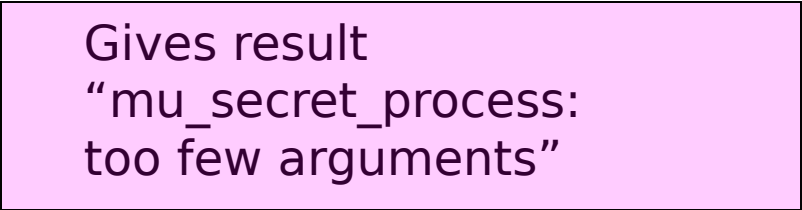
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## ❑ Parameter Assignment

foo=fred	<code>\${param:-default}</code> set default if null
echo \$foo	<code>\${#param}</code> length of param
	<code>\${param%word}</code> remove smallest suffix pattern
	<code>\${param%%word}</code> remove largest suffix pattern
	<code>\${param#word}</code> remove smallest prefix pattern
	<code>\${param##word}</code> remove largest prefix pattern

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in 1 2
do
  my_secret_process $i_tmp
done
```



Gives result  
"mu\_secret\_process:  
too few arguments"

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in 1 2
do
  my_secret_process ${i}_tmp
done
```

# Parameter Expansion

---

```
#!/bin/bash
unset foo
echo ${foo:-bar}
```

```
foo=fud
echo ${foo:-bar}
```

```
foo=/usr/bin/X11/startx
echo ${foo#*/}
echo ${foo##*/}
```

```
bar=/usr/local/etc/local/networks
echo ${bar%local*}
echo ${bar%%local*}
```

```
Exit 0
```

## Output

```
bar
fud
usr/bin/X11/startx
startx
/usr/local/etc
/usr
```

# Here Documents

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- ▣ A here document is a special-purpose code block, starts with <<

```
#!/bin/bash
cat <<!FUNKY!
hello
this is a here
document
!FUNKY!
exit 0
```

```
#!/bin/bash
ed a_text_file <<HERE
3
d
.,\s/is/was/
w
q
HERE
exit 0
```

## **a\_text\_file**

```
That is line 1
That is line 2
That is line 3
That is line 4
```

## **Output**

```
That is line 1
That is line 2
That was line 4
```

# Debug

---

- ▣ `sh -n<script>`      `set -o noexec`      check syntax  
    `set -n`
- ▣ `sh -v<script>`      `set -o verbose`      echo command before  
    `set -v`
- ▣ `sh -x<script>`      `set -o trace`      echo command after  
    `set -x`  
    `set -o nounset`      gives error if undefined  
    `set -x`

`set -o xtrace`

`set +o xtrace`

`trap 'echo Exiting: critical variable =$critical_variable'`  
    `EXIT`

# References

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- ▣ Bash Beginners Guide (<http://tldp.org/LDP/Bash-Beginners-Guide/>)

# Shell Scripting

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# Outline

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- What is shell?
- Basic
- Syntax
  - Lists
  - Functions
  - Command Execution
  - Here Documents
  - Debug
- Regular Expression
- Find

# Why Shell?

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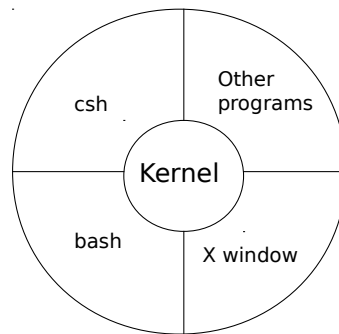
- ▣ The commercial UNIX used Korn Shell
- ▣ For Linux, the Bash is the default
- ▣ Why Shell?
  - For routing jobs, such as system administration, without writing programs
  - However, the shell script is not efficient, therefore, can be used for prototyping the ideas
- ▣ For example,
  - % **ls -al | more** (better format of listing directory)
  - % **man bash | col -b | lpr** (print man page of man)



# What is Shell?

- ❑ Shell is the interface between end user and the Linux system, similar to the commands in Windows
- ❑ Bash is installed as in `/bin/sh`
- ❑ Check the version

**% `/bin/bash --version`**



# Pipe and Redirection

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## ▣ Redirection (< or >)

- % **ls -l > lsoutput.txt** (save output to lsoutput.txt)
- % **ps >> lsoutput.txt** (append to lsoutput.txt)
- % **more < killout.txt** (use killout.txt as parameter to more)
- % **kill -l 1234 > killouterr.txt 2 >&1** (redirect to the same file)
- % **kill -l 1234 >/dev/null 2 >&1** (ignore std output)

## ▣ Pipe (|)

- Process are executed *concurrently*
- % **ps | sort | more**
- % **ps -xo comm | sort | uniq | grep -v sh | more**
- % **cat mydata.txt | sort | uniq | > mydata.txt** (generate an empty file !)

# Shell as a Language

---

- We can write a script containing many shell commands

- Interactive Program:

- grep files with POSIX string and print it

```
% for file in *
```

```
> do
```

```
> if grep -l POSIX $file
```

```
> then
```

```
> more $file
```

```
> fi
```

```
> done
```

```
Posix
```

```
There is a file with POSIX in it
```

- '\*' is wildcard

```
% more `grep -l POSIX *`
```

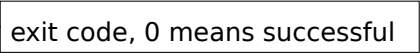
```
% more $(grep -l POSIX *)
```

```
% more -l POSIX * | more
```

# Writing a Script

- Use text editor to generate the “first” file

```
#!/bin/bash
# first
# this file looks for the files containing POSIX
# and print it
for file in *
do
    if grep -q POSIX $file
    then
        echo $file
    fi
done
exit 0
% /bin/bash first
% chmod +x first
% ./first (make sure . is include in PATH parameter)
```



# Syntax

---

- ▣ Variables
- ▣ Conditions
- ▣ Control
- ▣ Lists
- ▣ Functions
- ▣ Shell Commands
- ▣ Result
- ▣ Document

# Variables

---

- ▣ Variables needed to be declared, note it is case-sensitive (e. g. foo, FOO, Foo)
- ▣ Add '\$' for storing values

```
% salutation=Hello
% echo $salutation
Hello
% salutation=7+5
% echo $salutation
7+5
% salutation="yes dear"
% echo $salutation
yes dear
% read salutation
Hola!
% echo $salutation
Hola!
```

# Quoting

---

▣ Edit a "vartest.sh" file

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

```
myvar="Hi there"
```

```
echo $myvar
```

```
echo "$myvar"
```

```
echo ` $myvar `
```

```
echo \ $myvar
```

```
echo Enter some text
```

```
read myvar
```

```
echo '$myvar' now equals $myvar
```

```
exit 0
```

## Output

```
Hi there
```

```
Hi there
```

```
$myvar
```

```
$myvar
```

```
Enter some text
```

```
Hello world
```

```
$myvar now equals Hello world
```

# Environment Variables

---

- ▣ \$HOME    home directory
- ▣ \$PATH    path
- ▣ \$PS1     (normally %)
- ▣ \$PS2     (normally >)
- ▣ \$\$    process id of the script
- ▣ \$#    number of input parameters
- ▣ \$0    name of the script file
- ▣ \$IFS     separation character (white space)
  
- ▣ Use 'env' to check the value



# Parameter

---

```
% IFS = ` `
```

```
% set foo bar bam
```

```
% echo "$@"
```

```
foo bar bam
```

```
% echo "$*"
```

```
foo bar bam
```

```
% unset IFS
```

```
% echo "$*"
```

```
foo bar bam
```

← doesn't matter IFS

# Parameter

---

```
Edit file 'try_var'
#!/bin/bash
salutation="Hello"
echo $salutation
echo "The program $0 is now running"
echo "The parameter list was $"
echo "The second parameter was $2"
echo "The first parameter was $1"
echo "The user's home directory is $HOME"
echo "Please enter a new greeting"
read salutation
echo $salutation
echo "The script is now complete"
exit 0
```

```
%./try_var foo bar baz
Hello
The program ./try_var is now running
The second parameter was bar
The first parameter was foo
The parameter list was foo bar baz
The user's home directory is /home/jai
Please enter a new greeting
Hola
Hola
The script is now complete
```

# Condition

need space !

## □ test or '['

```
if test -f fred.c  If [ -f fred.c  if [ -f fred.c ];then
then              ]
...              then
...              fi
fi              fi
```

```
expression1 -eq expression2
expression1 -ne expression2
expression1 -gt expression2
expression1 -ge expression2
expression1 -lt expression2
expression1 -le expression2
!expression
```

```
String1 = string2
String1 != string 2
-n string  (if not empty string)
-z string  (if empty string)
```

```
-d file    if directory
-e file    if exist
-f file    if file
-g file    if set-group-id
-r file    if readable
-s file    if size >0
-u file    if set-user-id
-w file    if writable
-x file    if executable
```

# Control Structure

---

## Syntax

```
if condition
then
    statement
else
    statement
fi
```

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
if [ $timeofday = "yes" ]; then
    echo "Good morning"
else
    echo "Good afternoon"
fi
exit 0
```

```
Is it morning? Please answer yes or no
yes
Good morning
```

# Condition Structure

---

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
if [ $timeofday = "yes" ]; then
    echo "Good morning"
elif [ $timeofday = "no" ]; then
    echo "Good afternoon"
else
    echo "Sorry, $timeofday not recongnized. Enter yes or no"
    exit 1
fi
exit 0
```

# Condition Structure

---

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
if [ "$timeofday" = "yes" ]; then
    echo "Good morning"
elif [ $timeofday = "no" ]; then
    echo "Good afternoon"
else
    echo "Sorry, $timeofday not recongnized. Enter yes or no"
    exit 1
fi
exit 0
```

If input "enter" still returns Good morning

# Loop Structure

---

## Syntax

**for** variable  
**do**  
    statement  
**done**

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

```
for foo in bar fud 43  
do  
    echo $foo  
done  
exit 0
```

```
bar  
fud  
43
```

How to output as bar fud 43?  
Try change for foo in "bar fud 43"  
This is to have space in variable

# Loop Structure

---

- ▣ Use wildcard '\*'

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

```
for file in $(ls f*.sh); do  
    lpr $file  
done  
exit 0
```

Print all f\*.sh files



# Loop Structure

---

## Syntax

```
while condition
do
    statement
done
```

```
#!/bin/bash
for foo in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
do
    echo "here we go again"
done
exit 0
```

## Syntax

```
until condition
do
    statement
done
```

```
#!/bin/bash
foo = 1
while [ "$foo" -le 10 ]
do
    echo "here we go again"
    foo = $foo(($foo+1))
done
exit 0
```

Note: condition is  
Reverse to while  
How to re-write  
previous sample?

# Case Statement

---

## Syntax

```
case variable in\  
  pattern [ | pattern ] ...) statement;;  
  pattern [ | pattern ] ...) statement;;
```

...

```
esac
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"  
read timeofday  
case "$timeofday" in  
  yes) echo "Good Morning";;  
  y)   echo "Good Morning";;  
  no)  echo "Good Afternoon";;  
  n)   echo "Good Afternoon";;  
  * )  echo "Sorry, answer not recongnized";;  
esac  
exit 0
```

# Case Statement

---

## ▣ A much “cleaner” version

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
case "$timeofday" in
    yes | y | Yes | YES ) echo "Good Morning";;
    n* | N* )             echo "Good Afternoon";;
    * )                   echo "Sorry, answer not recongnized";;
esac
exit 0
```

But this has a problem, if we enter ‘never’ which obeys n\* case and prints “Good Afternoon”

# Case Statement

---

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Is it morning? Please answer yes or no"
read timeofday
case "$timeofday" in
    yes | y | Yes | YES )
        echo "Good Morning"
        echo "Up bright and early this morning"
        ;;
    [nN]*)
        echo "Good Afternoon";;
    *)
        echo "Sorry, answer not recongnized"
        echo "Please answer yes of no"
        exit 1
        ;;
esac
exit 0
```

# List

## ▣ AND (&&)

statement1 && statement2 && statement3 ...

```
#!/bin/sh
touch file_one
rm -f file_two
```

Check if file exist if not then create one

Remove a file

```
if [ -f file_one ] && echo "Hello" && [-f file_two] && echo " there"
then
    echo "in if"
else
    echo "in else"
fi
exit 0
```

### Output

Hello  
in else

# List

---

## ▣ OR (||)

statement1 || statement2 || statement3 ...

```
#!/bin/bash

rm -f file_one
if [ -f file_one ] || echo "Hello" || echo " there"
then
    echo "in if"
else
    echo "in else"
fi

exit 0
```

### **Output**

Hello  
in else

# Statement Block

---

- ▣ Use multiple statements in the same place

```
get_confirm && {  
    grep -v "$cdcatnum" $stracks_file > $temp_file  
    cat $temp_file > $stracks_file  
    echo  
    add_record_tracks  
}
```

# Function

- ▣ You can define functions for “structured” scripts

```
function_name() {  
    statements  
}  
  
#!/bin/bash  
foo() {  
    echo "Function foo is executing"  
}  
echo "script starting"  
foo  
echo "script ended"  
exit 0
```

## Output

```
script starting  
Function foo is executing  
Script ended
```

You need to define a function before using it

The parameters \$\*, \$@, \$#, \$1, \$2 are replaced by local value


if function is called and return to previous after function is finished 27



# Function

---

define local  
variable



```
#!/bin/bash
sample_text="global variable"
foo() {
    local sample_text="local variable"
    echo "Function foo is executing"
    echo $sample_text
}
echo "script starting"
echo $sample_text
foo

echo "script ended"
echo $sample_text

exit 0
```

**Output?**

**Check the  
scope of  
the  
variables**

# Function

## ▣ Use return to pass a result

```
#!/bin/bash
yes_or_no() {
    echo "Is your name $* ?"
    while true
    do
        echo -n "Enter yes or no:"
        read x
        case "$x" in
            y | yes ) return 0;;
            n | no ) return 1;;
            * ) echo "Answer yes or no"
        esac
    done
}
```

**Output**

```
./my_name Jai Phull
Original parameters are Jai Phull
Is your name Jai?
Enter yes or no: yes
Hi Jai, nice name.
```

# Command

---

- External:  
    use interactively
  - Internal:
  - only in script
  - **break**  
    skip loop
- ```
#!/bin/bash
rm -rf fred*
echo > fred1
echo > fred2
mkdir fred3
echo > fred4

for file in fred*
do
    if [ -d "$file" ] ; then
        break;
    fi
done
echo first directory starting fred was $file
rm -rf fred*
exit 0
```

# Command

---

□ :            treats it as true

```
#!/bin/bash

rm -f fred
if [ -f fred ]; then
:
else
    echo file fred did not exist
fi

exit 0
```

# Command

---

## ▣ continue      continues next iteration

```
#!/bin/bash
rm -rf fred*
echo > fred1
echo > fred2
mkdir fred3
echo > fred4
for file in fred*
do
    if [ -d "$file" ]; then
        echo "skipping directory $file"
        continue
    fi
    echo file is $file
done
rm -rf fred*
exit 0
```

# Command

---

□ `./shell_script`    execute `shell_script`

**classic\_set**

`#!/bin/bash`

`verion=classic`

`PATH=/usr/local/old_bin:/usr/bin:/bin:.`

`PS1="classic> "`

**latest\_set**

`#!/bin/sh`

`verion=latest`

`PATH=/usr/local/new_bin:/usr/bin:/bin:.`

`PS1="latest version> "`

**% . ./classic\_set**

`classic> echo $version`

`classic`

**Classic> . latest\_set**

`latest`

`latest version>`

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# Command

---

- ❑ `echo`            print string
  - ❑ `-n` do not output the trailing newline
  - ❑ `-e` enable interpretation of backslash escapes
    - `\0NNN` the character whose ASCII code is NNN
    - `\\` backslash
    - `\a` alert
    - `\b` backspace
    - `\c` suppress trailing newline
    - `\f` form feed
    - `\n` newline
    - `\r` carriage return
    - `\t` horizontal tab
    - `\v` vertical tab
- Try these
- `% echo -n "string to \n output"`
- `% echo -e "string to \n output"`

# Command

---

- ▣ **eval**      evaluate the value of a parameter  
                 similar to an extra '\$'

```
% foo=10
% x=foo
% y='$'$x
% echo $y
```

Output is \$foo

```
% foo=10
% x=foo
% eval y='$'$x
% echo $y
```

Output is 10



# Command

---

- ❑ `exit n` ending the script
- ❑ 0 means success
- ❑ 1 to 255 means specific error code
- ❑ 126 means not executable file
- ❑ 127 means no such command
- ❑ 128 or >128 signal

```
#!/bin/bash
if [ -f .profile ]; then
    exit 0
fi
exit 1
```

```
Or % [ -f .profile ] && exit 0 || exit 1
```

# Command

---

▣ **export** gives a value to a parameter

Output is

```
This is 'export2'
#!/bin/bash
echo "$foo"
echo "$bar"
```

**%export1**

The second-syntactic variable

```
This is 'export1'
#!/bin/bash
```

%

```
foo="The first meta-syntactic variable"
export bar="The second meta-syntactic variable"
```

```
export2
```

# Command

---

## ▣ expr      evaluate expressions

`%x=`expr $x + 1`` (Assign result value `expr $x+1` to `x`)

Also can be written as

`%x=$(expr $x + 1)`

|                                      |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <code>Expr1   Expr2</code> (or)      | <code>expr1 != expr2</code>         |
| <code>Expr1 &amp; Expr2</code> (and) | <code>expr1 + expr2</code>          |
| <code>Expr1 = Expr2</code>           | <code>expr1 - expr2</code>          |
| <code>Expr1 &gt; Expr2</code>        | <code>expr1 * expr2</code>          |
| <code>Expr1 &gt;= Expr2</code>       | <code>expr1 / expr2</code>          |
| <code>Expr1 &lt; Expr2</code>        | <code>expr1 % expr2</code> (module) |
| <code>Expr1 &lt;= Expr2</code>       |                                     |

# Command

---

- `printf`          format and print data
  - Escape sequence
    - `\\backslash`
    - `\a`          beep sound
    - `\b`          backspace
    - `\f` form feed
    - `\n`          newline
    - `\r`          carriage return
    - `\t` tab
    - `\v`          vertical tab
  - Conversion specifier
    - `%d`          decimal
    - `%c`          character
    - `%s`          string
    - `%%`          print %
- ```
% printf "%s\n" hello
Hello
% printf "%s %d\t%s" "Hi There" 1
5 people
Hi There 15      people
```

# Command

---

- ▣ return     return a value
- ▣ set        set parameter variable

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

```
echo the date is $(date)
```

```
set $(date)
```

```
echo The month is $2
```

```
exit 0
```

# Command

---

- ▣ Shift      shift parameter once, \$2 to \$1, \$3 to

\$2, and so on

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

```
while [ "$1" != "" ]; do
```

```
    echo "$1"
```

```
    shift
```

```
done
```

```
exit 0
```

# Command

---

- ▣ trap action after receiving signal

**trap** command signal

- ▣ signal explain
  - HUP (1) hung up
  - INT (2) interrupt (Ctrl + C)
  - QUIT (3) Quit (Ctrl + \)
  - ABRT (6) Abort
  - ALRM (14) Alarm
  - TERM (15) Terminate

# Command

---

```
#!/bin/bash
trap 'rm -f /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$' INT
echo creating file /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
date > /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
echo "press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ..."
while [ -f /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$ ]; do
    echo File exists
    sleep 1
done
echo The file no longer exists
trap INT
echo creating file /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
date > /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$
echo "press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ..."
while [ -f /tmp/my_tmp_file_$$ ]; do
    echo File exists
    sleep 1
done
echo we never get there
exit 0
```



# Command

---

```
creating file /tmp/my_file_141
press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ...
File exists
File exists
File exists
File exists
The file no longer exists
Creating file /tmp/my_file_141
Press interrupt (CTRL-C) to interrupt ...
File exists
File exists
File exists
File exists
```

# Command

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Unset                      remove parameter or function

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

```
foo="Hello World"  
echo $foo
```

```
unset $foo  
echo $foo
```

## Pattern Matching

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- ▣ find search for files in a directory hierarchy  
**find** [path] [options] [tests] [actions]

### options

- |              |                               |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| -depth       | find content in the directory |
| -follow      | follow symbolic links         |
| -maxdepths N | find N levels directories     |
| -mount       | do not find other directories |

### tests

- |                |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|
| -atime N       | accessed N days ago |
| -mtime N       | modified N days ago |
| -new otherfile | name of a file      |
| -type X        | file type X         |
| -user username | belong to username  |

# Pattern Matching

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## operator

!	-not	test reverse
-a	-and	test and
-o	-or	test or

## action

-exec command	execute command
-ok command	confirm and execute command
-print	print
-ls	ls -dils

Find files newer than while2 then print

```
% find . -newer while2 -print
```

# Pattern Matching

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Find files newer than while2 then print only files

```
% find . -newer while2 -type f -print
```

Find files either newer than while2, start with '\_'

```
% find . \( -name "_" -or -newer while2 \) -type f  
-print
```

Find files newer than while2 then list files

```
% find . -newer while2 -type f -exec ls -l {} \;
```

# Pattern Matching

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- ▣ **grep**      print lines matching a pattern  
(General Regular Expression Parser)

**grep** [options] PATTERN [FILES]

option

- c    print number of output context
- E    Interpret PATTERN as an extended regular expression
- h    Suppress the prefixing of filenames
- i    ignore case
- l    suppress normal output
- v    invert the sense of matching

% **grep in words.txt**

% **grep -c in words.txt words2.txt**

% **grep -c -v in words.txt words2.txt**

# Regular Expressions

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- a **regular expression** (abbreviated as **regex** or **regex**, with plural forms **regexps**, **regexes**, or **regexen**) is a **string** that describes or matches a **set** of strings, according to certain **syntax** rules.
- Syntax
  - ^ Matches the start of the line
  - \$ Matches the end of the line
  - . Matches any single character
  - [] Matches a single character that is contained within the brackets
  - [^] Matches a single character that is not contained within the brackets
  - () Defines a "marked subexpression"
  - {x,y} Match the last "block" at least x and not more than y times

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## □ Examples:

- ".at" matches any three-character string like *hat*, *cat* or *bat*
- "[hc]at" matches *hat* and *cat*
- "[^b]at" matches all the matched strings from the regex ".at" except *bat*
- "^[hc]at" matches *hat* and *cat* but only at the beginning of a line
- "[hc]at\$" matches *hat* and *cat* but only at the end of a line



# Regular Expressions

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- | ❑ | <b>POSIX class</b>      | <b>similar to</b>           | <b>meaning</b>                       |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ❑ | <code>[:upper:]</code>  | <code>[A-Z]</code>          | uppercase letters                    |
| ❑ | <code>[:lower:]</code>  | <code>[a-z]</code>          | lowercase letters                    |
| ❑ | <code>[:alpha:]</code>  | <code>[A-Za-z]</code>       | upper- and lowercase letters         |
| ❑ | <code>[:alnum:]</code>  | <code>[A-Za-z0-9]</code>    | digits, upper- and lowercase letters |
| ❑ | <code>[:digit:]</code>  | <code>[0-9]</code>          | digits                               |
| ❑ | <code>[:xdigit:]</code> | <code>[0-9A-Fa-f]</code>    | hexadecimal digits                   |
| ❑ | <code>[:punct:]</code>  | <code>[.,!?:....]</code>    | punctuation                          |
| ❑ | <code>[:blank:]</code>  | <code>[ \t]</code>          | space and TAB characters only        |
| ❑ | <code>[:space:]</code>  | <code>[ \t\n\r\f\v]</code>  | blank (whitespace) characters        |
| ❑ | <code>[:cntrl:]</code>  |                             | control characters                   |
| ❑ | <code>[:graph:]</code>  | <code>[^ \t\n\r\f\v]</code> | printed characters                   |
| ❑ | <code>[:print:]</code>  | <code>[^ \t\n\r\f\v]</code> | printed characters and space         |
- ❑ Example: `[:upper:]ab` should only match the uppercase letters and lowercase 'a' and 'b'.

# Regular Expressions

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- ▣ **POSIX modern (extended) regular expressions**
- ▣ The more modern "extended" regular expressions can often be used with modern Unix utilities by including the **command line** flag "-E".
- ▣ +        Match one or more times
- ▣ ?        Match at most once
- ▣ \*        Match zero or more
- ▣ {n}      Match n times
- ▣ {n,}     Match n or more times
- ▣ {n,m}    Match n to m times

# Regular Expressions

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- ▣ Search for lines ending with “e”

```
% grep e$ words2.txt
```

- ▣ Search for “a”

```
% grep a[[:blank:]] word2.txt
```

- ▣ Search for words starting with “Th.”

```
% grep Th.[[:blank:]] words2.txt
```

- ▣ Search for lines with 10 lower case characters

```
% grep -E [a-z]\{10\} words2.txt
```

# Command

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- ▣ `$(command)` to execute command in a script
- ▣ Old format used `"`"` but it can be confused with `"'`  
`"`

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

```
echo The current directory is $PWD
```

```
echo the current users are $(who)
```

# Arithmetic Expansion

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- ▣ Use `$((...))` instead of `expr` to evaluate arithmetic equation

```
#!/bin/bash
x=0
while [ "$x" -ne 10 ]; do
    echo $x
    x=$((x+1))
done

exit 0
```

# Parameter Expansion

## □ Parameter Assignment

foo=fred	<code>\${param:-default}</code> set default if null
echo \$foo	<code>\${#param}</code> length of param
	<code>\${param%word}</code> remove smallest suffix pattern
	<code>\${param%%word}</code> remove largest suffix pattern
	<code>\${param#word}</code> remove smallest prefix pattern
	<code>\${param##word}</code> remove largest prefix pattern

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in 1 2
do
    my_secret_process $i_tmp
done
```

Gives result  
"mu\_secret\_process:  
too few arguments"

```
#!/bin/bash
for i in 1 2
do
    my_secret_process ${i}_tmp
done
```

# Parameter Expansion

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```
#!/bin/bash
unset foo
echo ${foo:-bar}
```

```
foo=fud
echo ${foo:-bar}
```

```
foo=/usr/bin/X11/startx
echo ${foo#*/}
echo ${foo##*/}
```

```
bar=/usr/local/etc/local/networks
echo ${bar%local*}
echo ${bar%%local*}
```

```
Exit 0
```

## Output

```
bar
fud
usr/bin/X11/startx
startx
/usr/local/etc
/usr
```

# Here Documents

- ▣ A here document is a special-purpose code block, starts with <<

```
#!/bin/bash
cat <<!FUNKY!
hello
this is a here
document
!FUNKY!
exit 0
```

```
#!/bin/bash
ed a_text_file <<HERE
3
d
.,\$/is/was/
w
q
HERE
exit 0
```

**a\_text\_file**  
That is line 1  
That is line 2  
That is line 3  
That is line 4

**Output**  
That is line 1  
That is line 2  
That was line 4



# Debug

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- ▣ `sh -n<script>`      `set -o noexec`      check syntax  
    `set -n`
- ▣ `sh -v<script>`      `set -o verbose`      echo command before  
    `set -v`
- ▣ `sh -x<script>`      `set -o trace`      echo command after  
    `set -x`  
    `set -o nounset`      gives error if undefined  
    `set -x`

```
set -o xtrace
set +o xtrace
trap 'echo Exiting: critical variable =$critical_variable'
EXIT
```

# References

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- ▣ Bash Beginners Guide (<http://tldp.org/LDP/Bash-Beginners-Guide/>)