

Linux BASH - Comparison Operators

Integer Comparison Operators

Operator	Description	Example
-eq	Is Equal To	if [\$1 -eq 200]
-ne	Is Not Equal To	if [\$1 -ne 1]
-gt	Is Greater Than	if [\$1 -gt 15]
-ge	Is Greater Than Or Equal To	if [\$1 -ge 10]
-lt	Is Less Than	if [\$1 -lt 5]
-le	Is Less Than Or Equal To	if [\$1 -le 0]
==	Is Equal To	if ((\$1 == \$2)) [Note: Used within double parentheses]
!=	Is Not Equal To	if ((\$1 != \$2))
<	Is Less Than	if ((\$1 < \$2))
<=	Is Less Than Or Equal To	if ((\$1 <= \$2))
>	Is Greater Than	if ((\$1 > \$2))
>=	Is Greater Than Or Equal To	if ((\$1 >= \$2))

String Comparison Operators

Operator	Description	Example
= or ==	Is Equal To	if ["\$1" == "\$2"]
!=	Is Not Equal To	if ["\$1" != "\$2"]
>	Is Greater Than (ASCII comparison)	if ["\$1" > "\$2"]
>=	Is Greater Than Or Equal To	if ["\$1" >= "\$2"]
<	Is Less Than	if ["\$1" < "\$2"]
<=	Is Less Than Or Equal To	if ["\$1" <= "\$2"]
-n	Is Not Null	if [-n "\$1"]
-z	Is Null (Zero Length String)	if [-z "\$1"]