



CS 25200: Systems Programming

Lecture 3: More Bash Scripting

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Lecture 03

- More Bash
 - Reading and writing
 - Control loops
 - Decision making
 - Arrays
- I/O redirection
- Quotes
- grep
- Basic regular expressions



printf command - formatted output

- Almost like in C:
`printf "format" list of variables`
 - Format string is like that found in C
 - The list of variables should be separated by spaces.
- Example:
`A=3.45`
`S="Big Deal"`
`printf "A: %5.2f, S: %s\n" $A "$S"`

More Bash variables

- Untyped variables can be used to hold strings, integers, and floating point values

```
#!/bin/bash
A="Big Deal"
echo $A
A=3
echo $A
A=2.3
echo $A
exit 0
```

Output:

```
Big Deal
3
2.3
```

Typed variables

- Integers
typeset -i variable_name
- Cannot be used to store strings

Example

```
#!/bin/bash
typeset -i A
A=3
echo "A: $A"
A="0h Well"
echo "A: $A"
A=2.4
echo "A: $A"
exit 0
```

Results in the following output:

```
A: 3
X1: line 5: 0h Well: syntax error in expression (error token is
    "Well")
A: 3
X1: line 7: 2.4: syntax error: invalid arithmetic operator (error
    token is ".4")
A: 3
```



Floating point variables

- Bash does not support floating point values or math. :-(

Constants

- We can create read only variables too...
typeset -r Name="Ffej"
typeset -r K=8
- Or how about a read only integer...
typeset -ri K=8

Example

```
#!/bin/bash
typeset -r Name="Ffej Artskrut"
echo $Name
Name="Big Deal"
echo $Name
exit 0
```

Results in the following:

```
$ C
Ffej Artskrut
./C: line 4: Name: readonly variable
Ffej Artskrut
```



for loops

- Two different syntaxes in Bash

```
for variable in list
```

```
do
```

```
    commands
```

```
done
```

where `list` is a set of strings separated by whitespace

```
for (( initial_expression; loop_condition;  
        loop_expression ))
```

```
do
```

```
    commands
```

```
done
```

- `do` must be on the 2nd line in both cases!



Examples

```
for I in 1 2 3 4 5
do
    echo -n ${I}
done
```

```
for (( I = 1; I < 6; I++ ))
do
    echo -n ${I}
done
```

Both result in the same output:
12345



Examples cont...

```
#!/bin/bash
ls *.c > temp:$$
touch temp:$$
for File in $(cat temp:$$)
do
    lp -dsomeprinter ${File}
done
rm -f temp:$$
exit 0
```

while loop

- Note that a command is considered "true" as long as its exit status is zero. This is at times backwards from what you might be used to.

```
while <command exit status is true (0)>
```

```
do
```

```
    <whatever commands you need to do the job>
```

```
done
```

Example

```
#!/bin/bash
typeset -i I=0
while (( I < 10 ))
do
    echo -n "${I}"
    (( I = I + 1 ))
done
echo
exit 0
```

Outputs:

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9



read command

- read can be used to obtain user input. Eg,
echo -n "Feed me data: "
read DataVar
echo "You fed me \${DataVar}!"
- It may also be used to read from other streams such as a *file*.
 - Everyone always forgets that the name of the file goes at the *end* of the while loop

reading from a file

```
#!/bin/bash
cat InFile
echo
while read A B C
do
    echo "A: |${A}|" \
        "B: |${B}|" \
        "C: |${C}|"
done < InFile
exit 0
```


Output

- This is the output generated from the `cat` command, which simply displays a file's contents to stdout:

```
This is Neat!  
CS 252 is Great!  
Ffej is the best.  
1 2 3 4 5 6  
Big Deal  
1234
```

- This is the output generated by the `echo` statement inside of the `while` loop:

```
A: |This| B: |is| C: |Neat!|  
A: |CS| B: |252| C: |is Great!|  
A: |Ffej| B: |is| C: |the best.|  
A: |1| B: |2| C: |3 4 5 6|  
A: |Big| B: |Deal| C: ||  
A: |1234| B: || C: ||
```

Bash math

- Bash only has integer math.
- Use `let` or `((...))` to isolate mathematical statements
- Basic math operators include: addition (+), subtraction (-), multiplication (*), division (/), and modulus (%)

Integer math example

```
#!/bin/bash
typeset -i a=11
typeset -i b=3
typeset -i x
(( x = a + b ))
echo "( x = $a + $b ) x = $x"
(( x = a - b ))
echo "( x = $a - $b ) x = $x"
(( x = a * b ))
echo "( x = $a * $b ) x = $x"
(( x = a / b ))
echo "( x = $a / $b ) x = $x"
(( x = a % b ))
echo "( x = $a % $b ) x = $x"
exit 0
```

Output

((x = 11 + 3)) x = 14

((x = 11 - 3)) x = 8

((x = 11 * 3)) x = 33

((x = 11 / 3)) x = 3

((x = 11 % 3)) x = 2

Branching

- `if commandtrue`
 `then`
 `commands`
 `else`
 `commands`
 `fi`
- Note: the command is "true" if it returns 0 - neat!

Nested if statements

- As one might expect, it is possible to nest branches in Bash...

```
if (( A < B ))
then
    echo "A < B"
else
    if (( A == B ))
    then
        echo "A = B"
    else
        echo "A > B"
    fi
fi
```

elif statement

- Equivalent to "else if" in C

```
if (( A < B ))  
then  
    echo "A < B"  
elif (( A == B ))  
then  
    echo "A = B"  
else  
    echo "A > B"  
fi
```

Testing

- Tests of any sort should be surrounded by double brackets with spaces:
`[[space whatever space]]`
- Example

```
if [[ -r MyFile ]]  
then  
    echo MyFile is readable!  
fi
```
- Tests include logical comparisons, string comparisons, and file permission tests

File testing

- a file exists
- d is a directory
- f is an ordinary file
- r is readable
- s has non-zero length
- w is writable
- x is executable
- ...and lots more
- ! reverse the test

Arithmetic comparison

- Comparisons between numbers should always be surrounded by double parentheses:

```
(( whatever ))
```

- For example:

```
if (( 7 <= 5 ))
```

```
then
```

```
    echo "The world is at an end!"
```

```
fi
```

- Arithmetic comparisons include:

```
== equal >= greater than or equal
```

```
> greater than <= less than or equal
```

```
< less than != not equal
```

String tests

- Equality,

```
if [[ string1 = string2orpattern ]]
if [[ string1 == string2orpattern ]]
if [[ string1 != string2orpattern ]]
```

- Lexicographical ordering,

```
if [[ string1 < string2 ]]
if [[ string1 > string2 ]]
```

- Emptiness,

```
if [[ -n string1 ]] # string is not NULL
if [[ -z string1 ]] # string is NULL
```

Example

```
#!/bin/bash
#

if (( $# != 1 )); then
    echo "Usage: $0 <filename>"
    exit 1
fi
File="$1"
if [[ ! -f "${File}" ]]; then
    echo "File: ${File} is not an ordinary file"
else
    echo "File: ${File} is an ordinary file"
fi
exit 0
```



Output

```
$ File_Check
```

```
Usage: File_Check <filename>
```

```
$ File_Check x
```

```
File x is not an ordinary file
```

```
$ File_Check File_Check
```

```
File File_Check is an ordinary file
```

Purdue trivia

- "While students, future author George Ade and cartoonist John McCutcheon faced the wrath of President James H. Smart for attending a ladies' literary society meeting without faculty permission, and McCutcheon got fired as editor of the student newspaper."

- A Century and Beyond, by Robert W. Topping



Arrays in Bash

- Unlike C, bash supports sparse arrays

```
ArrVar[5]=8
```

```
ArrVar[15]=12
```

```
ArrVar[19]=7
```

- If the indices aren't consecutive, how do we know the array's size? How do we know the indices for all values?

Special operators # and !

- You can obtain a list (a string of whitespace-separated values) of every element in an array:

```
echo ${ArrVar[*]}  
echo ${ArrVar[@]}
```

- The size of an array can be found by using the # operator:

```
${#ArrVar[*]} or ${#ArrVar[@]}
```

- The array subscripts can be found by using the ! operator:

```
${!ArrVar[*]} or ${!ArrVar[@]}
```


Indexed array example

```
#!/bin/bash
A[5]=34
A[1]=3
A[2]=56
A[100]=89
echo "Size of array: ${#A[*]}"
echo "Array indices: ${!A[*]}"
for I in ${!A[*]}
do
    echo "A[${I}]=${A[I]}"
done
exit 0
```



Indexed array output

Size of array: 4

Array indices: 1 2 5 100

A[1]=3

A[2]=56


A[5]=34

A[100]=89



Read array example

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Data_File:"
cat Data_File          # Remember, cat just dumps the file's
echo                   # contents to stdout
echo "Formatted output:"
while read -a Data      # Split on whitespace
do                      # (spaces and tabs)
    for (( I = 0; I < ${#Data[*]}; I++ ))
    do
        printf "%6.2f" ${Data[I]}
    done
    echo
done < Data_File
exit 0
```



Output

Data_File:

1	2	3		77
12	12.6	6.8	7	
2	1.0		-3	-5.5

Formatted output

1.00	2.00	3.00	77.00
12.00	12.60	6.80	7.00
2.00	1.00	-3.00	-5.50

Binary operators

- You remember our friends from CS 240, right?

$\ll n$ Shift left n bits

$\gg n$ Shift right n bits

$\&$ Bitwise AND

\wedge Bitwise EXCLUSIVE OR

$|$ Bitwise OR

\sim Bitwise negation

Binary operations

```
#!/bin/bash
typeset -i A=2#1101
typeset -i B=2#0110
typeset -i C
(( C = A & B ))
echo "(( C = $A & $B )) C = $C"
(( C = A | B ))
echo "(( C = $A | $B )) C = $C"
(( C = A ^ B ))
echo "(( C = $A ^ $B )) C = $C"
exit 0
```

Results (the values actually displayed are in base 10):

```
(( C = 2#1101 & 2#110 )) C = 2#100
(( C = 2#1101 | 2#110 )) C = 2#1111
(( C = 2#1101 ^ 2#110 )) C = 2#1011
```

More binary operations

```
#!/bin/bash
typeset -i A=2#1101
typeset -i B=2#0110
typeset -i C
(( C = A << 2 ))
echo "(( C = $A << 2 )) C = $C"
(( C = B >> 1 ))
echo "(( C = $B >> 2 )) C = $C"
(( C = ~B ))
echo "(( C = ~$B )) C = $C"
exit 0
```

Results in:

[illegible]

More on loops

- Similar to C, bash has...

`continue n`

- Used to stop the execution of the innermost `n` loops and then continue with the next loop. The default is `n = 1`.

`break n`

- Used to end the execution of the innermost `n` loops. Default is `n = 1`.

Examples

```
#!/bin/bash
for (( I = 0; I <= 4; I++ )); do
    if (( I == 1 )); then
        continue
    fi
    echo -n " ${I}"
done
echo
exit 0
```

Results in the following output:

0 2 3 4



Examples cont...

```
#!/bin/bash
I=0
while (( I <= 4 )); do
    if (( I == 1 )); then
        break
    fi
    echo -n " ${I}"
    (( I++ ))
done
echo
exit 0
```

Results in the following:

0



What about arguments?

- What if we want to loop through the command line arguments?
- Even if we know how many there are, we still can't use a loop construct...

```
#!/bin/bash
for (( I = 0; I < $#; I++ )); do
    echo $what???
done
```

shift n

- Used to left shift the parameters on the command line **n** places
 - Default is **n = 1**
- **\$0** is never changed
- Often used when an unknown number of parameters are passed, or for looping through a large number of parameters.

Example

```
#!/bin/bash
echo '$0 -- ' $0
echo '$# -- ' $#
X=0
while (( $# != 0 )); do
    (( X = X + 1 ))
    echo "\"${X}\" was $1"
    shift
done
exit 0
```

Sample run...

```
$ parameters q "1 2 3" xyz
$0 -- parameters
$# -- 3
"$1" was q
"$2" was 1 2 3
"$3" was xyz
```



I/O redirection - reading

- To redirect input for a program or command,

< file n < file n is the file
descriptor

<< file n << file n is the file
descriptor

- Example:

mail jeff@purdue.edu < my_document



I/O redirection - writing

- We can redirect the output from a program or command too!

> file and n > file Redirect output to file

```
>> file and n >> file
```

file

Appends output to

```
>| file and n >| file  
noclobber  
set
```

Overrides the
option, if

`>& number`

Redirects the output to file descriptor `number`



Examples

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

```
exec 3< $1
```

```
exec 4> $2
```

```
I=0
```

```
while read <&3 Line; do  
    echo "Line ${I}: ${Line}" >&4  
done
```

```
exec 3>&-
```

```
exec 4>&-
```

```
exit 0
```



Questions?