

## CS 344 Notes

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"<" and ">" wrt stdin, out

- ">" specifies the output location so that when program writes to stdout it goes there.

- "<" specifies what to be loaded into the stdin file to be then read by the program.

"?" specifies a single unknown / wildcard character.

"|" (Pipe) operator

- redirects output (stdout) of one command to the stdin of another

">>" Operator

- appends data to a file.

Shebang == "#!"

- used to give path to shell, i.e.:

- #! /bin/bash

Quotes

- single Quotes: no variable expansion

- double Quotes: variables are expanded

"\" Backslash

- means evaluate literally, don't interpret

Variables

- show forbidden variables with 'compgen -K'

- environment variables - consistent across shells ~

## Special Script Variables

- \$: PID of process of script

- ? : return of previous command / script

- #: num of arguments passed

- 1 or 2 ... : Parameters

Errors & Bash Scripts

- use #! bin/bash -e

so that next command only runs if the previous one exited with 0

For loops

- "for i in a b c d

do

printf "%s>" \$i

done"

While loops

- "while test ...

do

done"

Tests

- 'test' can be used, interchangeably with [ cond. ]

Subshells: EXOR

- `` (backticks) can surround a command to be run as a subshell

- \$(command) also does that, and is POSIX.

- \${((expr))} is the same as expr(...)

- ((i++)) standalone.



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'read' command

- reads input line by line, echoing it out or placing it into a variable

- While read myline

do

echo "\$myline"

done < \$1

\$1 is file name

Arrays

- defined: array = ( 1 2 3 )

- gotten array[n] or [n] for all

for loop from a 'line'

- you can submit a tab or

space delineated string

of values to for so that

it iterates over those, i.e.

for i in "1 2 3"

...

Cut Command

- cut -c chooses column n of

file

- cut -f respects white space