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1. Introduction

Shell scripting is a fundamental skill for automating repetitive tasks and controlling system processes in Unix-based environments. In this lab exercise, we practiced different scripting techniques using `for`, `while`, `until` loops, arrays, and functions to solve real-world problems using Bash.

2. Objective

- To learn and implement shell scripts using different types of loops and functions.
- To solve specific problems through efficient scripting.
- To understand the usage of arrays and user-defined functions in Bash.


3. Implementation

3.1 Odd Position Digits Using For Loop

Problem: Display digits in odd positions from a 7-digit number.

Short Discussion:

Using `for` loop with index checking, we extracted characters at odd positions.


```
Leb_4 >  problem-4.1.sh
1  #Odd Position Digits Using For Loop
2  #!/bin/bash
3  read -p "Enter 7-digit number: " num
4  len=${#num}
5  for (( i=0; i<$len; i++ ))
6  do
7      if (( $i % 2 == 0 )); then
8          echo "${num:$i:1}"
9      fi
10 done
```

3.2 Frequency Count Using While Loop

Problem: Count frequency of each digit in a number.

Short Discussion:

A **while** loop reads character by character and uses an array to track frequency.

Leb_4 >  problem-4.2.sh

```
1  #Frequency Count Using While Loop
2  #!/bin/bash
3  read -p "Enter the number: " num
4  declare -A freq
5  len=${#num}
6  i=0
7  while [ $i -lt $len ]
8  do
9      ch=${num:$i:1}
10     ((freq[$ch]++))
11     ((i++))
12 done
13 for k in "${!freq[@]}"
14 do
15     echo "$k = ${freq[$k]} times"
16 done
```

3.3 2nd & 3rd Highest Numbers and Their Sum Using Array

Problem: Find 2nd and 3rd highest numbers and sum them.

Short Discussion:

Used arrays, sorting, and indexing to extract and sum desired elements.

Leb_4 >  problem-4.3.sh

```
1  #2nd & 3rd Highest Numbers and Their Sum Using Array
2  #!/bin/bash
3  read -p "Enter number of elements: " n
4  for ((i=0; i<n; i++))
5  do
6      read -p "Enter number: " arr[i]
7  done
8  sorted=$(printf '%s\n' "${arr[@]}" | sort -nr)
9  sum=$(( ${sorted[1]} + ${sorted[2]} ))
10 echo "The sum of 2nd and 3rd highest elements is: $sum"
```

3.4 Factorial of Two Numbers Using Function

Problem: Calculate factorials of two numbers and sum them.

Short Discussion:

Created a reusable function `factorial` and invoked it twice.

Leb_4 >  problem-4.4.sh

```
1  #Factorial of Two Numbers Using Function
2  #!/bin/bash
3  factorial() {
4      fact=1
5      for (( i=1; i<=$1; i++ ))
6      do
7          ((fact *= i))
8      done
9      echo $fact
10 }
11 f1=$(factorial 5)
12 f2=$(factorial 6)
13 echo "$f1 + $f2 = $((f1 + f2))"
```

3.5 Count Alphabets, Digits, Special Characters

Problem: Analyze string content.

Short Discussion:

Looped through characters and used regex pattern matching.

Leb_4 >  problem-4.5.sh

```
1  #Count Alphabets, Digits, Special Characters
2  #!/bin/bash
3  read -p "Enter a string: " str
4  alpha=0
5  digit=0
6  special=0
7  for (( i=0; i<${#str}; i++ ))
8  do
9      ch=${str:$i:1}
10     if [[ $ch =~ [A-Za-z] ]]; then
11         ((alpha++))
12     elif [[ $ch =~ [0-9] ]]; then
13         ((digit++))
14     else
15         ((special++))
16     fi
17 done
18 echo "Alphabets = $alpha"
19 echo "Digits = $digit"
20 echo "Special characters = $special"
```

4. Output

Odd Position Digits Output:

```
maruf320101@LAPTOP-GVGJFU18:/mnt/c/Bash_Vs_code/leb_4$ ./problem-4.1.sh
Enter 7-digit number: 5867458
5
6
4
8
```

Digit Frequency Output:

```
maruf320101@LAPTOP-GVGJFU18:/mnt/c/Bash_Vs_code/1eb_4$ ./problem-4.2.sh
Enter the number: 148541547854
8 = 2 times
7 = 1 times
5 = 3 times
4 = 4 times
1 = 2 times
```

Array-Based Output:

```
maruf320101@LAPTOP-GVGJFU18:/mnt/c/Bash_Vs_code/1eb_4$ ./problem-4.3.sh
Enter number of elements: 5
Enter number: 10
Enter number: 21
Enter number: 30
Enter number: 17
Enter number: 5
The sum of 2nd and 3rd highest elements is: 38
```

Factorial Function Output:

```
maruf320101@LAPTOP-GVGJFU18:/mnt/c/Bash_Vs_code/1eb_4$ ./problem-4.4.sh
120 + 720 = 840
```

Character Count Output:

```
maruf320101@LAPTOP-GVGJFU18:/mnt/c/Bash_Vs_code/1eb_4$ ./problem-4.5.sh
Enter a string: Today is 12 November.
Alphabets = 15
Digits = 2
Special characters = 4
```

5. Discussion

Through these exercises, I gained hands-on experience in Bash scripting. Each task highlighted different aspects of control flow and data handling. Writing scripts for number analysis, factorial calculation, and array operations gave me confidence in shell programming logic. The integration of loops, conditions, and user-defined functions is particularly useful for automation.