



Shell Scripting - Basic



Operators

- Arithmetic Operators
- Relational Operators
- Boolean Operators
- String Operators
- File Test Operators

Airthmetic Operators

- The following points need to be considered while adding –
- There must be spaces between operators and expressions. For example, $2+2$ is not correct; it should be written as $2 + 2$.
- The complete expression should be enclosed between ‘ ‘, called the backtick.

Airthmetic Operators (Example)

- `#!/bin/sh`

`a=10`

`b=20`

`val=`expr $a + $b``

`echo "a + b : $val" #will produce 30`

`val=`expr $a - $b``

`echo "a - b : $val" #will produce -10`

`i`



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val=`expr $a \* $b`
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echo "a * b : $val" #will produce 200
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val=`expr $b / $a`
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echo "b / a : $val" # will produce 2
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val=`expr $b % $a`
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echo "b % a : $val" # will produce 0
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if [ $a == $b ]
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```
then
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    echo "a is equal to b"
```

```
fi
```



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if [ $a != $b ]
```

```
then
```

```
    echo "a is not equal to b"
```

```
fi
```

Airthmetic operators

- + for addition
- - for subtraction
- * for multiplication
- / for division
- % for Modulus
- = for assignment
- == for equality
- != for non-equality

Relational Operators

- -eq for equality # if [\$a -eq \$b]
- -ne for non – equality # if [\$a -ne \$b]
- -gt for greater than # if [\$a -gt \$b]
- -lt for less than # if [\$a -lt \$b]
- -ge for greater than or equals
if [\$a -ge \$b]
- -le for less than or equals
if [\$a -le \$b]



Boolean operators

- ! Not operator # [!false]
- -o OR operator # if [\$a -gt 0 -o \$a -eq 0]
- -a AND operator # if [\$a -gt 0 -a \$a -eq 99]

String operators

- = to check equality (only for string)

a = "pqr"

b = "pqr" # if [\$a = \$b]

- != to check inequality # if [\$a != \$b]
- -z Checks if the given string operand size is zero; if it is zero length, then it returns true.

#[-z \$a] is not true.

- -n Checks if the given string operand size is non-zero; if it is nonzero length, then it returns true. #[-n \$a] is true
- [\$a] will not return false.