advanced bash scripting

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introduction

```
$ echo "Hello, world!"

Hello, world!
```

```
$ foo=bar

$ foo=bar

$ echo ${foo}
```

```
$ message="Hello"
$ echo ${message}
Hello
$ message+=", world!"
$ echo ${message}
Hello, world!
```

```
$ message="x x"

$ echo ${message}

x x

$ echo "${message}"

x x
```

```
$ string="abcdefg"
$ echo ${string:3}
defg
$ echo ${string:4:2}
ef
$ echo ${string: -1}
g
```

quoting

```
$ string="abcdefg"

$ echo "\$string"

$ echo '$string'

$string
```

quoting

```
$ msg=$'Hello,\nWorld!'

$ echo "${msg}"

Hello,
World!

$ echo $'\U1f60e'
```

translation

```
$ echo $"Hello, World!"

Hello, World!
```

unsafe, discouraged!

```
$ echo ${USER}
chris
$ echo ${BASH_VERSION}
4.3.27(1)-release
$ echo $$
1568
```

```
$ echo $?

0

$ false

$ echo $?
```

```
$ echo $0

/bin/bash

$ echo $1
```

```
$ bash -c 'echo $1' foo bar baz
bar
$ bash -c 'echo $@' foo bar baz
bar baz
$ bash -c 'echo $0 $@' foo bar baz
foo bar baz
```

```
$ bash -c 'echo $#' foo bar baz
```

```
$ a=(abc def)
$ echo ${a}
abc
$ echo ${a[1]}
def
$ echo ${a[@]}
abc def
```

```
$ a=(a b c)
$ a+=(d e f)
$ echo "${a[@]}"
a b c d e f
```

```
$ a=(a b c)
$ a+=d
$ echo "${a[@]}"
ad b c
$ a+=(d)
$ echo "${a[@]}"
$ ad b c d
```

```
$ a=(a b c d e f g)
$ echo ${#a[@]}
$ echo ${a[@]:2}
c d e f g
$ echo ${a[@]:2:3}
c d e
```

associative arrays

```
$ unset a
$ declare -A a
$ a=([name]=bob [age]=21)
$ echo ${a[name]}
bob
$ echo ${a[age]}
21
```

associative arrays

```
$ a[age]=23

$ a[email]=bob@domain.tld

$ echo ${a[email]}

bob@domain.tld
```

integer

```
$ declare -i int
$ int=foo
$ echo ${int}
0
int=2+2
$ echo ${int}
4
```

uppercase

```
$ declare -u upper
$ upper="Hello, World!"

$ echo ${upper}

HELLO, WORLD!
```

```
$ function greeter() { echo "Hello ${USER}!"; }
$ greeter
Hello chris!
$ function greeter() { echo "Hello $1!"; }
$ greeter bob
Hello bob!
```

```
$ function func() { return 0; }
$ func; echo $?
```

```
$ function func() { return 1; }
$ func; echo $?
```

```
$ function func() { return -1; }
$ func; echo $?
```

```
$ function func() { return 256; }
$ func; echo $?
```

```
$ function func() { return; }
$ func; echo $?
```

```
$ function func() { false; return; }
$ func; echo $?
```

local variables

```
$ foo=1

$ function f() {
    foo=2
}

$ f

$ echo ${foo}
```

local variables

```
$ function f() {
    echo before: ${foo}
    local foo=3
   echo after: ${foo}
$ f
before: 2
after: 3
$ echo ${foo}
```

lists

```
$ echo foo; echo bar
foo
bar
$ true && echo "it's true!"
it's true!
$ false && echo "is it?" || echo "nope, that's false"
nope, that's false
```

```
$ test foo = foo; echo $?
0
$ test foo = foo && echo true || echo false
true
$ test foo = bar && echo true || echo false
false
```

```
$ test foo = bar
$ [ foo = bar ]
$ [ foo = bar ] && echo true || echo false
false
```

```
[ ! <expression> ] # expression is false
[ <expr1> -a <expr2> ] # both are true
[ <expr1> -o <expr2> ] # either is true
[ -n <string> ] # string length is nonzero
[ -z <string> ] # string length is zero
[ <string1> = <string2> ] # strings are equal
[ <string1> != <string2> ] # strings are not equal
```

```
[ <int1> -eq <int2> ] # integers are equal
[ <int1> -ne <int2> ] # integers are not equal
[ <int1> -lt <int2> ] # int1 is less than int2
[ <int1> -le <int2> ] # int1 is less or equal int2
[ <int1> -gt <int2> ] # int1 is greater than int2
[ <int1> -ge <int2> ] # int1 is greater or equal int2
```

test

```
[ -e <file> ] # file exists
[ -f <file> ] # file exists and is a regular file
[ -L <file> ] # file exists and is a symbolic link
[ -d <file> ] # file exists and is a directory
[ -s <file> ] # file exists and has size greater than 0
[ -r <file> ] # file exists and is readable
[ -x <file> ] # file exists and is executable
```

control structures: if/elif/else/fi

```
$ function f() {
    if [ $1 -lt 0 ]; then
        echo "negative"
    elif [ $1 -le 9 ]; then
        echo "one digit"
    elif [ $1 -le 99 ]; then
        echo "two digits"
    else
        echo "large!"
    fi
}
```

```
$ f 5
```

```
one digit
```

control structures: if/elif/else/fi

```
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    if [ $1 -lt 0 ]; then
        echo "negative"
    elif [ $1 -le 9 ]; then
        echo "one digit"
    elif [ $1 -le 99 ]; then
        echo "two digits"
    else
        echo "large!"
    fi
}
```

```
$ f -1
```

```
negative
```

control structures: if/elif/else/fi

```
$ function f() {
    if [ $1 -lt 0 ]; then
        echo "negative"
    elif [ $1 -le 9 ]; then
        echo "one digit"
    elif [ $1 -le 99 ]; then
        echo "two digits"
    else
        echo "large!"
    fi
}
```

```
$ f 2134567890
```

```
large!
```

control structures: while/do/done

```
$ function f() {
    local -i i=0
    local args=($@)

while [ ${i} -lt $# ]; do
        echo "${i}: ${args[${i}]}"
        i=i+1
    done
}
```

```
$ f foo bar baz
```

```
0: foo
1: bar
2: baz
```

control structures: case/in/esac

```
$ nth 3
```

```
3rd
```

control structures: case/in/esac

```
$ function nth() {
   case ${1: -1} in
        1)        echo "${1}st" ;;
        2)        echo "${1}nd" ;;
        3)        echo "${1}rd" ;;
        [4-9]) echo "${1}th" ;;
        *)        echo "not a number" ;;
   esac
}
```

```
$ nth 105
```

```
105th
```

control structures: case/in/esac

```
$ nth foo
```

```
not a number
```

control structures: for/do/done

```
$ for((i=1; i<=5; ++i)); do
    echo ${i}
done</pre>
1
2
3
4
5
```

control structures: for/in/do/done

```
$ for number in 1 2 3 4 5; do
    echo ${number}
done
1
2
3
4
5
```

control structures: for/in/do/done

```
$ names=("Alice" "Bob jr." "Carol" "Dave")

$ for name in ${names[@]}; do # careful!
    echo ${name}
done

Alice
Bob
jr.
Carol
Dave
```

control structures: for/in/do/done

```
$ names=("Alice" "Bob jr." "Carol" "Dave")

$ for name in "${names[@]}"; do
        echo ${name}
done

Alice
Bob jr.
Carol
Dave
```

command substitution

```
$ date +%s

1412160589

$ seconds=$(date +%s)

$ echo ${seconds}

1412160713
```

command substitution

```
$ cat /etc/hostname
echrgys-laptop
$ hostname=$(cat /etc/hostname) # slow!
$ hostname=$(</etc/hostname)</pre>
$ echo ${hostname}
echrgys-laptop
```

compound commands: group

```
$ { echo a; echo b }

a b

$ f=file.txt
$ [ -f ${f} ] || { echo "creating file"; touch ${f}; }
```

compound commands: subshell

```
$ pwd
/home/chris

$ (cd /tmp; touch temp.txt)

$ pwd
/home/chris

$ ls /tmp/*.txt
/tmp/temp.txt
```

compound commands: subshell

```
$ i=1

$ (i=2)

$ echo $i

1
```

pipelines

```
$ (echo abc; echo def; echo ghi)

abc
def
ghi

$ (echo abc; echo def; echo ghi) | tac

ghi
def
abc
```

pipelines

```
$ (echo abc; echo def; echo ghi) | tac | rev
ihg
fed
cba

$ (echo abc; echo def; echo ghi) | tac | rev | tail -n1
cba
```

pipelines

```
$ ssh esekilxxen981 getent passwd |
   grep ^lmf | cut -d: -f5 | sort | head
```

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sequence expression

```
$ echo {1..10}
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
$ echo {0..100..7}
0 7 14 21 28 35 42 49 56 63 70 77 84 91 98
$ echo {00..999}
000 001 002 003 004 005 006 007
008 009 010 011 012 013 014 015
[\ldots]
992 993 994 995 996 997 998 999
```

brace expansion

```
$ echo {bgf,mrfc,mrfp}_appl

bgf_appl mrfc_appl mrfp_appl

$ echo {bgf,mrf{c,p}}_appl

bgf_appl mrfc_appl mrfp_appl
```

brace-expansion

```
$ cp source.cpp{,.bak}
$ mkdir -p /mnt/really/long/path/with/typo/is/annoiing
$ mv /mnt/really/long/path/with/typo/is/annoiing \
     /mnt/really/long/path/with/typo/is/annoying
$ cd /mnt/really/long/path/with/typo/is
$ mv annoiing annoying
$ cd ~
$ (cd /mnt/really/long/path/with/typo/is; \
   mv annoiing annoying)
```

brace expansion

\$ mv /mnt/really/long/path/with/typo/is/anno{i,y}ing

```
$ echo ${s:-"default"}

default

$ s=custom

$ echo ${s:-"default"}
custom
```

```
$ unset s

$ echo ${s:="assign"}

assign

$ echo ${s}
```

```
$ unset s
$ echo s is: ${s:+"alternate"}
s is:
$ s=custom
$ echo s is: ${s:+"alternate"}
s is: alternate
```

```
$ s="a.b.c.d.e"
$ echo ${s%.e}
a.b.c.d
$ echo ${s%.*}
a.b.c.d
$ echo ${s%%.*}
a
```

```
$ s="a.b.c.d.e"
$ echo ${s#a.}
b.c.d.e
$ echo ${s#*.}
b.c.d.e
$ echo ${s##*.}
e
```

```
$ f=/some/path/to/file.txt

$ basename ${f}

file.txt

$ echo ${f##*/}
```

```
$ f=/some/path/to/file.txt

$ dirname ${f}

/some/path/to

$ echo ${f%/*}

/some/path/to
```

```
$ unset s
$ echo s is: ${s:-"default"}
s is: default
$ s=""
$ echo s is: ${s:-"default"}
s is: default
```

```
$ unset s
$ echo s is: ${s-"default"}
s is: default
$ s=""
$ echo s is: ${s-"default"}
s is:
```

arithmetic expansion

```
$ echo $(( 1 + 1 ))
2
$ echo $[ 1 + 1 ] # deprecated!
2
```

arithmetic-expansion

```
$ i=5
$ echo $(( $i * $i ))

25

$ echo $(( i * i ))
25
```

arithmetic-expansion

```
$ echo $(( 2**32 - 1 ))

4294967295

$ echo $(( 2**64 ))

0
```

arithmetic-expansion

```
$ echo $(( foo ))

0

$ echo $?
```

arithmetic-expansion

```
$ echo $(( 0100 ))
64
$ echo $(( 0xDEADBEEF ))
3735928559
$ echo $(( 2#1010101010 ))
682
```

let

```
$ i=12
$ let i=i+i
$ echo $i
24
$ let i=i/3
8
```

regular expressions

```
$ [[ "bar" =~ ^ba ]]
$ for s in foo bar baz; do
    if [[ "${s}" =~ ^ba ]]; then
        echo match: ${s}
    fi
done

match: bar
match: baz
```

regular expressions

```
$ regex="^x x"

$ for s in "xxx" "x x" "x xyz"; do
    if [[ "${s}" =~ $regex ]]; then
        echo match: ${s}
    fi
done

match: x x
match: x xyz
```

regular expressions

```
$ regex="^(.*):([0-9]+)"
$ while read s; do
    if [[ "${s}" =~ $regex ]]; then
        echo -n "file: ${BASH_REMATCH[1]}"
        echo " line: ${BASH_REMATCH[2]}"
done << FOF
source.cc:23
header.hh:45
FOF
file: source.cc line: 23
file: header.hh line: 45
```

```
$ echo foo > file.txt
$ cat file.txt
foo
$ echo bar > file.txt
$ cat file.txt
bar
```

```
$ echo foo > file.txt

$ echo bar >> file.txt

$ cat file.txt

foo bar
```

```
$ function log() { echo >&2 "$@"; }
$ log "This is an error message!"
This is an error message!
$ log "error" > error.log
error
$ [ -s error.log ] || echo empty
empty
```

```
$ log "error" 2> error.log
$ cat error.log
error
```

```
$ strace ls
execve("/usr/bin/ls", ["ls"], [/* 70 vars */]) = 0
brk(0)
                                      = 0xd04000
access("/etc/ld.so.preload", R_OK) = -1 ENOENT
open("/etc/ld.so.cache", O RDONLY|O CLOEXEC) = 3
[\ldots]
$ strace ls | grep TIOCGWINSZ
execve("/usr/bin/ls", ["ls"], [/* 70 vars */]) = 0
brk(0)
                                        = 0 \times d04000
access("/etc/ld.so.preload", R_OK) = -1 ENOENT
open("/etc/ld.so.cache", O RDONLY|O CLOEXEC) = 3
[\ldots]
```

```
$ strace ls 2>&1 | grep TIOCGWINSZ
ioctl(1, TIOCGWINSZ, 0x7fffb02fa7a0) = -1 ENOTTY
$ strace ls |& grep TIOCGWINSZ
ioctl(1, TIOCGWINSZ, 0x7fffb02fa7a0) = -1 ENOTTY
```

```
$ cut -d: -f1 < /etc/passwd

root
bin
daemon
mail
[...]</pre>
```

here-strings

```
$ input="foo:bar:baz"

$ echo "${input}" | cut -d: -f2
bar

$ cut -d: -f2 <<<"${input}"
bar</pre>
```

here-documents

```
$ apply_config --help
Usage: apply_config <config file>

$ echo "var1=foo" > config.txt
$ echo "var2=bar" >> config.txt
$ echo "var3=baz" >> config.txt
$ apply_config config.txt
$ (
        echo "var1=foo"
        echo "var2=bar"
        echo "var3=baz"
        ) | apply_config -
```

here-documents

```
$ apply_config - <<EOF
var1=foo
var2=bar
var3=baz
EOF</pre>
```

exec

```
$ bash -c 'id -un; echo foo'

chris
foo

$ bash -c 'exec id -un; echo foo'

chris
```

exec

```
bash -c 'echo $$; readlink /proc/self'

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bash -c 'echo $$; exec readlink /proc/self'

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11728
```

exec (redirection)

```
$ exec {FD}> file.txt
$ echo ${FD}
10
$ echo >&${FD} foobar
$ cat file.txt
foobar
$ exec ${FD}>&-
```

exec (redirection)

```
$ exec 666> file.txt
$ ls -l /dev/fd/666
/dev/fd/666 -> /home/chris/file.txt
$ echo >&666 foobar
$ cat file.txt
foobar
$ exec 666>&-
```

useless use of cat

```
$ cat /etc/passwd | grep ${USER}
$ grep ${USER} < /etc/passwd
$ grep ${USER} /etc/passwd</pre>
```

process substitution

```
$ cat <(echo foo)

foo

$ echo <(echo foo)

/dev/fd/63</pre>
```

process substitution

```
$ ssh esekilx5160 rpm -qa | sort > 5160.pkgs

$ ssh esekilx5163 rpm -qa | sort > 5163.pkgs

$ diff -u 516{0,3}.pkgs

$ rm 516{0,3}.pkgs
```

process substitution

```
$ diff -u <(ssh esekilx5160 rpm -qa | sort) \</pre>
          <(ssh esekilx5163 rpm -qa | sort)
--- /dev/fd/63 2014-10-02 09:36:27.445762659 +0300
+++ /dev/fd/62 2014-10-02 09:36:27.445762659 +0300
@@ -573,7 +573,11 @@
gnome-pilot-2.0.16-3.44.68
gnome-pilot-devel-2.0.16-3.44.68
gnome-pilot-lang-2.0.16-3.44.68
+gnome-power-manager-2.24.1-17.67.1
+gnome-power-manager-lang-2.24.1-17.67.1
gnome-print-sharp-2.26.0-2.2.7
+gnome-screensaver-2.28.3-0.32.1
[\ldots]
```

job control

```
$ (sleep $[20*60]; echo "wake up!")
wake up!
$ (sleep $[20*60]; echo "wake up!") &
[1] 12019
$ kill %1
[1]+ Terminated ( sleep $[20*60]; echo "wake up!" )
```

trap

```
$ bash -c 'trap "echo Ctrl-C pressed!" TERM; sleep 60'
^C
Ctrl-C pressed!
$ bash -c 'trap "echo exiting..." EXIT; sleep 60' &
[1] 12164
$ kill %1
exiting...
```

getopts

- builtin
- simple syntax
- no long options
- argument order matters

discouraged, use getopt instead!

getopt

getopt

eval

```
$ var1=foo

$ var2=bar

$ declare -i i=1

$ echo ${var${i}}

bash: ${var${i}}: bad substitution
```

eval

```
$ var1=foo

$ var2=bar

$ declare -i i=1

$ eval "echo \${var${i}}"

foo
```

eval

```
$ var1=foo
$ var2=bar
$ declare -i i=1
$ i=i+1
$ eval "echo \${var${i}}"
bar
```

```
#!/bin/bash

$ bash -c "false"; echo $?

1

$ bash -c "false; echo done"; echo $?

done
0
```

```
#!/bin/bash
set -e
$ bash -c "set -e; false; echo done"; echo $?
```

```
#!/bin/bash
set -e

$ bash -c 'message="foo"; echo msg=${mesage}'

msg=
```

```
#!/bin/bash
set -e
set -u

$ bash -c 'set -u; message="foo"; echo msg=${mesage}'

bash: mesage: unbound variable
```

```
$ cat file

foo bar

$ x="start"

$ cat file | while read i; do x+=",$i"; done; echo $x

start
```

```
$ cat file

foo
bar

$ x="start"

$ while read i; do x+=",$i"; done < file; echo $x

start,foo,bar</pre>
```

```
$ set -e
$ func() {
    local var=$(false)
    echo "done"
}
```

\$ func

done

```
$ set -e
$ func() {
    local var
    var=$(false)
    echo "done"
}
```

```
$ func
```

```
(shell exits with code 1)
```

```
$ i=0
$ let i++; echo $?
$ echo $i
$ let i++; echo $?
0
```

```
$ i=0
$ i=$((i + 1)); echo $?

0

$ echo $i
```

coding style

google-styleguide.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/shell.xml

shellcheck

interactive use

```
$ cat ~/.bashrc
export EDITOR=vim
export HISTCONTROL=ignoredups
alias l='ls -lh --color=auto'
$ l
total 8.0K
drwxr-xr-x 1 chris chris 74 Feb 12 12:51 doc
drwxr-xr-x 1 chris chris 522 Mar 13 10:08 pkg
drwxr-xr-x 1 chris chris 854 Apr 10 09:27 projects
-rw-r--r-- 1 chris chris 972 Apr 13 09:17 todo
```

```
$ cp file1 /some/very/long/path/to/dir <Ctrl-c>
$
$ cp file1 /some/very/long/path/to/dir <Ctrl-w>
$ cp file1
```

```
$ cp file1 /some/very/long/path/to/dir <Alt-b><Alt-b>
$ cp -f file1 /some/very/long/path/to/dir
$ cp file1 /some/very/long/path/to/dir <Alt-b><Ctrl-k>
$ cp file1
```

```
$ <Up>
$ cp file1 <Up>
$ cp file1 /some/very/long/path/to/dir <Enter>
```

```
$ cat >> ~/.inputrc <<EOF
"\e[5~": history-search-backward
"\e[6~": history-search-forward
EOF

$ git <Page-up>
$ git diff <Page-up>
$ git commit -am "work in progress" <Enter>
```

```
$ set -o vi
$ set -o emacs
```

```
$ man 3 readline
```

```
$ cd d<Tab>
$ cd doc/
$ cd doc/b<Tab>
$ cd doc/bash-
$ cd doc/bash-<Tab><Tab>
bash-scripting bash-examples
```

```
$ cd doc/bash-s<Tab>
```

\$ cd doc/bash-scripting <Enter>

```
$ ssh<Tab><Tab>
```

```
ssh ssh-agent sshd sshfs
ssh-add ssh-copy-id ssh-keyscan
```

```
$ gcc -W<Tab><Tab>
```

```
Display all 196 possibilities? (y or n)
                                  -Wnested-externs
- W
-Wabi
                                  -Wnoexcept
-Wabi-tag
                                  -Wnonnull
-Waddress
                                  -Wnon-template-friend
                                  -Wnon-virtual-dtor
-Waggregate-return
-Waggressive-loop-optimizations -Wnormalized=
-Waliasing
                                  -Wold-style-cast
                                  -Wold-style-declaration
-Walign-commons
-Wall
                                  -Wold-style-definition
                                  -Wopenmp-simd
-Wampersand
[\ldots]
```

the end

questions?