

Bash Scripting Suite for System Maintenance

Objective: Write a suite of Bash scripts to automate system maintenance tasks such as backup, system updates, and log monitoring.

Day 1: Write a script for automated system backups.

```
$ backup.sh > ...
1  #!/bin/bash
2  # Automated Backup Script (Fixed Version)
3
4  # Use $HOME instead of /home
5  SRC="$HOME/Documents"          # Source directory
6  DEST="$HOME/backup"            # Backup directory
7  DATE=$(date +%Y-%m-%d_%H-%M-%S) # Timestamp
8
9  mkdir -p "$DEST"              # Create backup folder safely
10 tar -czf "$DEST/backup_${DATE}.tar.gz" "$SRC"
11
12 echo "✓ Backup completed successfully at ${DATE}."
13 echo "■ Backup saved to: ${DEST}/backup_${DATE}.tar.gz"
14
```

```
sakib@hp MINGW64 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/Capstone_Project
$ bash backup.sh
tar: Removing leading `/' from member names
✓ Backup completed successfully at 2025-11-08_23-08-05.
■ Backup saved to: /c/Users/sakib/backup/backup_2025-11-08_23-08-05.tar.gz
```

Day 2: Create a script to perform system updates and clean up.

```
$ update_cleanup.sh
1  #!/bin/bash
2  # System Update and Cleanup (Windows Simulation)
3
4  echo "Simulating system update..."
5  sleep 1
6  echo "System updated successfully!"
7
8  echo "Simulating cleanup..."
9  sleep 1
10 echo "Temporary files cleaned up!"
11
12 echo "✓ Update and cleanup process completed (simulated)."
13
```

```
sakib@hp MINGW64 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/Capstone_Project
$ bash update_cleanup.sh
Simulating system update...
System updated successfully!
Simulating cleanup...
Temporary files cleaned up!
✓ Update and cleanup process completed (simulated).
```

Day 3: Develop a log monitoring script to alert on certain conditions.

```
$ log_monitor.sh > ...
1  #!/bin/bash
2  # Log Monitoring Script
3
4  LOG_FILE="/var/log/syslog"
5  ALERT_KEYWORD="error"
6
7  echo "Monitoring $LOG_FILE for keyword: $ALERT_KEYWORD"
8
9  if grep -i "$ALERT_KEYWORD" "$LOG_FILE" > /dev/null
10 then
11   echo "⚠ Alert: '$ALERT_KEYWORD' found in system log!"
12 else
13   echo "✅ No '$ALERT_KEYWORD' found in logs."
14 fi
15
```

```
sakib@hp MINGW64 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/Capstone_Project
$ bash log_monitor.sh
Monitoring /var/log/syslog for keyword: error
grep: /var/log/syslog: No such file or directory
✅ No 'error' found in logs.
```

Day 4: Combine scripts into a maintenance suite with a menu to execute them.

```
$ maintenance_suite.sh
1  #!/bin/bash
2  # Maintenance Suite Menu
3
4  while true; do
5      echo "=====
6      echo "  System Maintenance Suite"
7      echo "=====
8      echo "1. Backup System"
9      echo "2. Update & Cleanup"
10     echo "3. Monitor Logs"
11     echo "4. Exit"
12     read -p "Choose an option: " choice
13
14     case $choice in
15         1) bash backup.sh ;;
16         2) bash update_cleanup.sh ;;
17         3) bash log_monitor.sh ;;
18         4) echo "Exiting..."; break ;;
19         *) echo "Invalid option, try again." ;;
20     esac
21 done
```

```
sakib@hp MINGW64 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/Capstone_Project
$ bash maintenance_suit.sh
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 1
tar: Removing leading `/' from member names
 Backup completed successfully at 2025-11-08_23-03-23.
 Backup saved to: /c/Users/sakib/backup/backup_2025-11-08_23-03-23.tar.gz
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 2
Simulating system update...
System updated successfully!
Simulating cleanup...
Temporary files cleaned up!
 Update and cleanup process completed (simulated).
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 3
Monitoring /var/log/syslog for keyword: error
grep: /var/log/syslog: No such file or directory
 No 'error' found in logs.
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 4
Exiting...
```

Day 5: Test scripts and add error handling and logging functionalities.

```
$ maintenance_suit2.sh > ...
1  #!/bin/bash
2  # Enhanced Maintenance Suite with Logging
3
4  LOG_FILE="/home/$USER/maintenance.log"
5
6  log() {
7      echo "$(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') - $1" >> "$LOG_FILE"
8  }
9
10 while true; do
11     echo "=====
12     System Maintenance Suite
13 ====="
14     echo "1. Backup System"
15     echo "2. Update & Cleanup"
16     echo "3. Monitor Logs"
17     echo "4. Exit"
18     read -p "Choose an option: " choice
19
20     case $choice in
21         1) bash backup.sh && log "Backup completed" || log "Backup failed" ;;
22         2) bash update_cleanup.sh && log "System updated" || log "Update failed" ;;
23         3) bash log_monitor.sh && log "Log monitoring run" ;;
24         4) log "Exited suite"; echo "Exiting..."; break ;;
25         *) echo "Invalid option!"; log "Invalid menu selection" ;;
26     esac
27 done
```

```
sakib@hp MINGW64 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/Capstone_Project
$ bash maintenance_suit2.sh
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 1
tar: Removing leading `/' from member names
 Backup completed successfully at 2025-11-08_23-05-54.
 Backup saved to: /c/Users/sakib/backup/backup_2025-11-08_23-05-54.tar.gz
maintenance_suit2.sh: line 7: /home//maintenance.log: No such file or directory
maintenance_suit2.sh: line 7: /home//maintenance.log: No such file or directory
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 2
Simulating system update...
System updated successfully!
Simulating cleanup...
Temporary files cleaned up!
 Update and cleanup process completed (simulated).
maintenance_suit2.sh: line 7: /home//maintenance.log: No such file or directory
maintenance_suit2.sh: line 7: /home//maintenance.log: No such file or directory
=====
System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 3
Monitoring /var/log/syslog for keyword: error
grep: /var/log/syslog: No such file or directory
 No 'error' found in logs.
maintenance_suit2.sh: line 7: /home//maintenance.log: No such file or directory
=====

System Maintenance Suite
=====
1. Backup System
2. Update & Cleanup
3. Monitor Logs
4. Exit
Choose an option: 4
maintenance_suit2.sh: line 7: /home//maintenance.log: No such file or directory
Exiting...
```