

Arithmetic Operations

In this section, we will take a look at "Arithmetic Operations"

- There are different methods with which we can perform arithmetic operations

expr

- For addition

```
$ expr 6 + 3
```

- For subtraction

```
$ expr 6 - 3
```

- For Division

```
$ expr 6 / 3
```

- For Multiplication

```
$ expr 6 \* 3
```

- These can be used with variable substitution as well

```
$ A=6  
$ B=3  
$ expr $A + $B  
$ expr $A - $B  
$ expr $A / $B  
$ expr $A \* $B
```

expr

```
$ expr 6 + 3  
9
```

```
$ expr 6 - 3  
3
```

```
$ expr 6 / 3  
2
```

```
$ expr 6 \* 3  
18
```

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Double Parentheses

- Another method for performing arithmetic operations is double parenthesis.

```
$ echo $(( A + B ))  
$ echo $(( A-B ))  
$ echo $(( A / B ))  
$ echo $((A*B))
```

- You may also programming language C stype manipulations of variables

```
$ echo $(( ++A ))  
$ echo $(( --A ))  
$ echo $(( A++ ))  
$ echo $(( A-- ))
```

double parentheses

```
$ echo $(( A + B ))  
9
```

```
$ echo $(( A-B ))  
3
```

```
$ echo $((A/B))  
2
```

```
$ echo $(( A * B ))  
18
```

```
$ echo $(( ++A ))  
7
```

```
$ echo $(( --A ))  
6
```

```
$ echo $(( A++ ))  
6
```

```
$ echo $(( A-- ))  
7
```

bc

- expr and "double parentheses" only return decimal output, they do not support floating values.
- For this we use another utility called `bc`, it referred to as `Basic Calculator`.
- It works in an interactive mode and also you can input to another command as well

```
$ A=10  
$ B=3  
$ expr $A / $B  
$ echo $((A/B))  
$ echo $A / $B |bc -l
```

bc

```
$ A=10  
$ B=3
```

```
$ expr $A / $B  
3
```

```
$ echo $((A/B))  
3
```

```
$ echo $A / $B | bc -l  
3.333333
```