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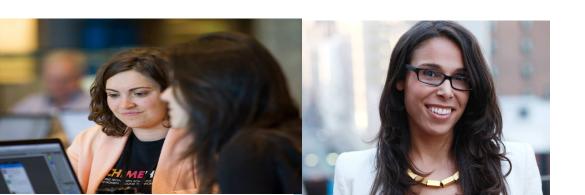
### @WomenWhoCodeNYC

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WWCode is a **global** nonprofit dedicated to inspiring women to **excel** in **technology** careers.

"We connect amazing women with like-minded women leaders around the globe who unite under one simple notion – the world of technology is much better with women in it."

-Alaina Percival, WWCode CEO





# 20 Countries, 60 Cities + Expanding



Our Community is a network of

100,000 technical women

New York: womenwhocode.com/nyc

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# LEARN TO BASH!

Sam Bail (Twitter: @spbail) Women Who Code workshop, June 2019

## INTRO!

- I'm a Data Insights Engineer at Flatiron HealthWe're hiring:)
- Plan for today:
  - Some background and terminology
  - o Basic navigation, file manipulation, searching
  - Environment variables and .bash\_profile
  - Your first bash script!
- Follow along by typing the bold commands
- The DIY blocks are mini-exercises!

BACKGROUND & TERMINOLOGY

## WHAT ARE ALL THESE WORDS?

- **Shell** = user interface (command-line or graphical)
  - Output
    Usually shell = command-line user interface
- Bash = a type of shell ("Bourne-Again SHell")\*
  - There are others: zsh, ksh...
  - o macOS is switching from bash to zsh in 10.15
  - o Don't worry, the basics are all the same :)
- Terminal = the program than runs a shell

\* Read the Wikipedia pages on "Unix shell" and "Bash (Unix shell)" for some history

## WHY USE THE TERMINAL/SHELL/BASH?

- It's often faster or more flexible
  - Bulk operations on files
  - Searching for files/text in files
  - 0 ...
- Sometimes you have to
  - Connecting to a server via ssh
  - Setting aliases or environment variables
  - O ...

NAVIGATING THE FILE SYSTEM

## LET'S GET STARTED!

- Some basics for orientation:
  - o pwd = path of current working directory
  - o ls = list files in the directory
  - **ls** -**l** = add a "long format" flag
  - **ls** -**la** = add long format + "all" flag
- How do we know what flags are available?
  - o man ls = man(ual) pages
  - o <space bar> = navigate down
  - o q = get out of man!
- DIY: check man and try out different flags for ls

## SOME HELPFUL SHORTCUTS

- clear = refresh your terminal window
- **<Up arrow>** = cycle through previous commands
- <Tab> = bash will tab-complete file/dir paths
- <CTRL+c> = exit pretty much any process
- <CTRL+a>/<CTRL+e> = go to start/end of line
- <CTRL+w> = delete word before the cursor
- **<CTRL+r>** = incremental reverse search through previous commands, keep hitting **<CTRL+r>** to cycle
- DIY: use <CTRL+r> to find and run your first pwd

## NAVIGATING THE FILE SYSTEM

- cd (directory) = go to (directory)Use pwd, tab-complete and ls for orientation!
- Example:
  - o pwd
  - ls Documents
  - cd Documents
  - o pwd
- ~ = your home directory (/Users/<name>)
- . = the current directory
- DIY: go back to your home directory using ~

BASIC FILE OPERATIONS

# FILE OPERATIONS (1)

- touch (filename) = create an empty file
  - touch hello.txt
- mkdir (directory) = make a directory
  - o mkdir some\_dir
- open (filename) = open file in default text editor
  - open hello.txt
  - Type some text and save the file
- DIY: create a directory "wwc\_workshop", cd into it, and create a file hello.txt
  - Open hello.txt, write some random text into it, save

# FILE OPERATIONS (2)

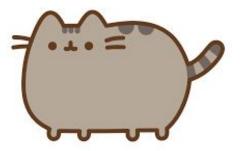
- cp (file1) (file2) = copy file1 to file2cp hello.txt hello2.txtls
- mv (file1) (file2) = rename file1 to file2
  - mv hello2.txt hello3.txt
  - o ls
- rm (file) = remove file (irreversibly!)
- Use wildcard \* in filenames for any operation
  - ls hello\*.txt

# LOOKING AT FILE CONTENT (1)

- Download the permits.csv file from here:
  - https://github.com/spbail/bash-workshop
  - Hit download, then "save as" into your wwc\_workshop directory
  - This is an NYC OpenData file with locations and types of film permits in the city (pretty cool!)
- Make sure you're in the right directory
  - o cd ~/wwc\_workshop
  - ls (should show permits.csv)

# LOOKING AT FILE CONTENT (2)

- cat = print content of file
  - cat permits.csv
- head = cat, but only show the top n rows of a file
  - head permits.csv
  - head -n 2 permits.csv
- tail = like head, but shows bottom n rows
  - tail permits.csv
  - tail -n 2 permits.csv



# LOOKING AT FILE CONTENT (3)

- less = interactive text reader
  - o less permits.txt
  - Navigate through pages with <space bar>
  - Exit with q
  - O (What does this remind you of?)

SEARCHING TEXT IN FILES

# FINDING TEXT IN FILES (1)

- Option 1: **less** has a built-in search
  - less permits.csv
  - o / (this gets you the search prompt)
  - o film (enter)
    - This will say "Pattern not found"
  - Type -I to make the search case insensitive
  - o Try searching again!
  - o p/n = jump to previous/next occurrence of "television"

# FINDING TEXT IN FILES (2)

- Option 2: use grep
  - grep (search word) (file)
    - grep film permits.csv
      - No results! grep is case sensitive, too!
    - grep -i film permits.csv
- grep returns the line with the search word
  - Works best with line-based files, e.g. CSV
- DIY: grep for the word "theater"

## CHAINING COMMANDS USING A PIPE

- wc -l (file) = count lines in filewc -l permits.csv
- The pipe | chains commands, e.g
  - grep -i film permits.csv | wc -l
  - This pipes the output of grep as input to wc
- Pipes can be chained: cmd\_a | cmd\_b | cmd\_c...
  - o Output of cmd\_a = input to cmd\_b
  - Output of cmd\_b = input to cmd\_c
  - o etc.

# DIY: MINI-PROJECT 1

- Go to the directory with permits.csv
- Look at the file using head, tail, and less
- Get some counts using grep and wc:
  - O How many lines are in the file?
  - O How many lines contain the word "Television"?
  - How many lines contain the word "Television" and your own ZIP code? (Hint: remember you can chain pipes!)
- Take a break :)

# FINDING FILES

## FINDING FILES

- find (directory) -name "(search word)"
- I mostly use it to find filenames, e.g.
  - o cd ~/wwc\_workshop
  - find . -name "per\*"
  - o find . -iname "Per\*" (case insensitive)
  - o find . -name "\*.csv" (search for file type)
- You can also specify a directory to search in:
  - o find ~/wwc\_workshop -name "\*.csv"

# ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES AND .BASH\_PROFILE

## ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

- Environment variables are system-wide global variables that your shell knows about
- env = show all environment variables
- You can access any variable using the \$ sign
  - echo \$USER (your username)
  - echo \$HOME (your home directory)
- We also just learned about echo (print statement)
  - echo "hello"
  - o echo "hello \$USER"

## SETTING AN ENVIRONMENT VARIABLE

- export (varname)=(value) = sets an environment var
  - export myvar=42
  - Spaces and quote types matter in bash!
  - o echo \$myvar
- Setting environment vars is often done for software to know where to find stuff, e.g. \$PYTHONPATH
- DIY: open a new terminal tab with <CMD+t> and check if it knows about myvar

# YOUR . BASH \_PROFILE (1)

- Every terminal window/tab only knows about its own environment variables
- Variables that are needed everywhere need to be exported at startup
- Your terminal reads a "profile" file at startup
  - ~/.bash\_profile
  - ∘ ~/.profile
  - ∘ ~/.bashrc
- We'll be using ~/.bash\_profile, feel free to read up on differences:)

# YOUR .BASH \_PROFILE (2)

- Let's export a new environment variable
  - open ~/.bash\_profile
  - Add this line: export anothervar="hello"
  - Save the file
  - echo \$anothervar
- Your open shell doesn't know about changes to .bash\_profile automatically!
  - Either: open a new terminal tab
  - o Or: source ~/.bash\_profile

YOUR FIRST BASH SCRIPT!

## BASH SCRIPTING 101

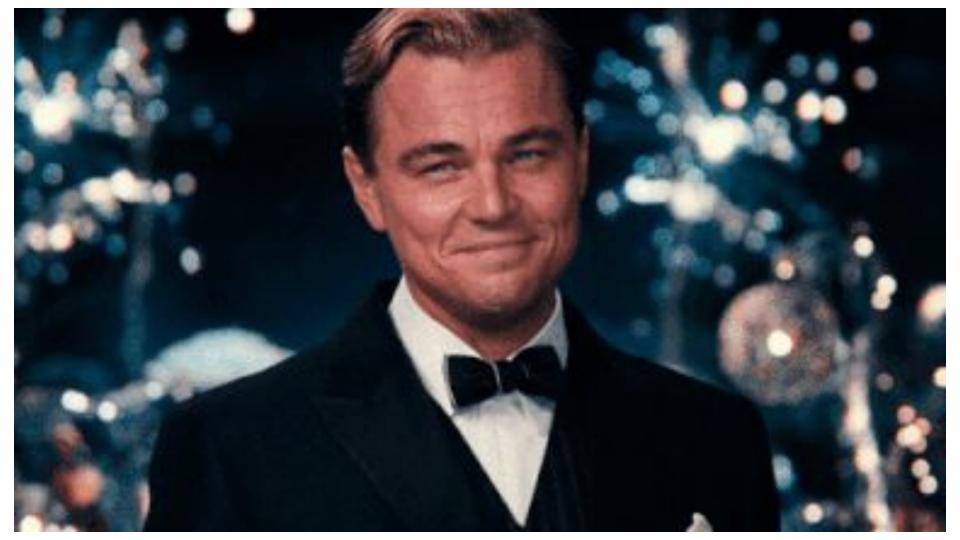
- Instead of typing commands, you can also add them to a file and execute the file
- There are several options to execute a script:
  - ./samscript.sh
  - bash samscript.sh
  - o sh samscript.sh
- DIY: create a new file myscript.sh and add a line to echo "Hello \$USER!", save the file, and execute
  - You'll get a "permission denied" error stop here!

## FILE PERMISSIONS 101

- Files in your file system have permissions
  - ls -l myscript.sh
- The permissions are as follows:
  - R=read, W=write, X=execute, -=no permission
  - 3-letter-blocks each for owner/user, group, other
- In order to execute a script, it needs to be set to "executable" (duh.) at least for yourself (user)
- chmod changes the "mode" (permissions) of a file
  - o chmod u+x myscript.sh
  - ls -l myscript.sh

# DIY: MINI PROJECT 2 (OPTIONAL)

- Create a new bash script
- Add at least 2 commands you've learned
- Save the file
- Set the right permissions
- Execute the script
- Congratulations, you're done for today!



## WRAP-UP

- We've covered:
  - Directory navigation and file manipulation
  - Searching for text and finding files
  - Environment variables and .bash\_profile
  - Your first bash script
- Other fun bash stuff to look up (e.g. man):
  - The sudo command
  - Setting an alias (shortcut) for bash commands
  - Using vim as text editor
  - Other ways to exit and kill processes (CTRL+z, CTRL+d...)
  - Utilities like cal, date, disk space checking, cowsay...

# **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

Python and PuLP workshop @ Dataminr 6/13
Algorithms @ Betterment 6/18
React Workshop @ Grace Hopper Academy 6/19