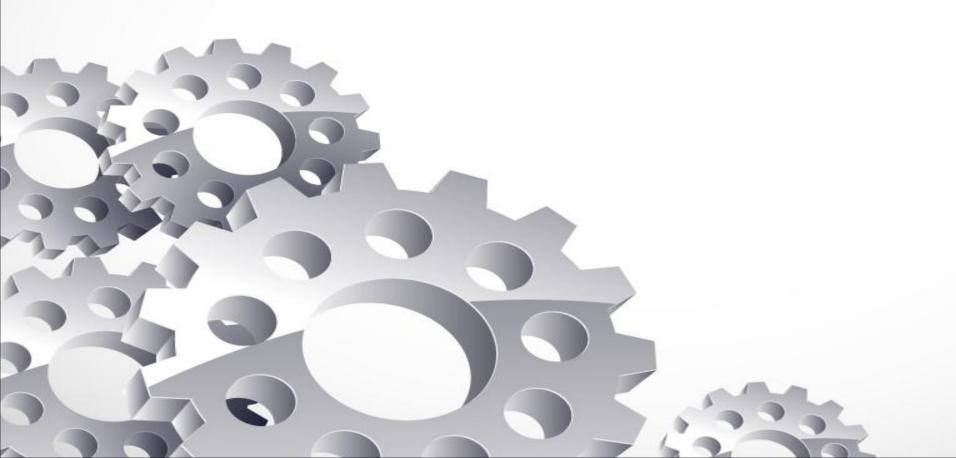
Array



 An array is a structured arrangement of similar data elements. Within shell scripting, an array is a variable that holds multiple values, whether they are of the same type or different types. It's important to note that in shell scripting, everything is treated as a string. Arrays adhere to a zero-based index, which signifies that indexing initiates from 0.

Declare Array in Shell Scripting

- Indirect Declaration
- In this method, you assign a value to a specific index of the array variable. There's no need to declare the array beforehand.

ARRAYNAME[INDEXNR]=value

- Explicit Declaration
- With explicit declaration, you first declare the array and then assign values to it.

declare -a ARRAYNAME

- Compound Assignment
- This method involves declaring the array along with its initial set of values. You can later add additional values to the array.

- ARRAYNAME=(value1 value2 valueN)
- Alternatively, you can use index numbers to assign values explicitly:
- ARRAYNAME=([1]=10 [2]=20 [3]=30)

Printing Array Values in Shell Script:

- # To declare a static Array
- arr=("Jayesh" "Shivang" "1" "Vipul" "Nishant" "2")

- # To print all elements of the array
- echo "All elements of the array:"
- echo "\${arr[@]}"
- echo "\${arr[*]}"

- # To print the first element
- echo "The first element:"
- echo "\${arr[0]}"

This syntax retrieves and displays the first element of the array. In Bash, array indexing starts at 0.

- # To print a selected index element
- selected_index=3
- echo "Selected index element at index \$selected index:"
- echo "\${arr[\$selected_index]}"

- # To print elements from a particular index
- echo "Elements from a particular index:"
- echo "\${arr[@]:2}" # Prints elements starting from index 2
- echo "\${arr[*]:2}" # Prints elements starting from index 2

- # To print elements in a range
- echo "Elements in a range:"
- echo "\${arr[@]:1:3}" # Prints elements from index 1 to 3
- echo "\${arr[*]:1:3}" # Prints elements from index 1 to 3

- # Declare a static Array
- arr=("Jayesh" "Shivang" "1" "rishabh" "Vipul" "Nishtan")

- # Count the length of a particular element in the array
- element_length=\${#arr[2]}
- echo "Length of element at index 2: \$element_length"

- # Count the length of the entire array
- array_length=\${#arr[@]}
- echo "Length of the array: \$array_length"

- # Search in the array
- search_result=\$(echo "\${arr[@]}" | grep -c "Jayesh")
- echo "Search result for 'Jayesh': \$search_result"

