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## **Unit 1. Basic Shell Concepts**

## **Objectives**

To review basic Shell concepts in order to:

- Describe the AIX Shells
- Use the AIX file-system
- Create a Shell Script
- Use metacharacters
- Use I/O redirection
- Use pipes and tees
- Group commands
- Run background processes
- Use Korn Shell job control
- Use command line recall and editing

## **Shells**

### What is a Shell?

- User interface to AIX
- Command interpreter
- Programming language

#### **AIX Shells:**

<ul><li>Korn</li></ul>	- ksh
<ul> <li>Bourne</li> </ul>	- bsh

• Restricted - Rsh

• C - csh

• Trusted - tsh

• POSIX - psh

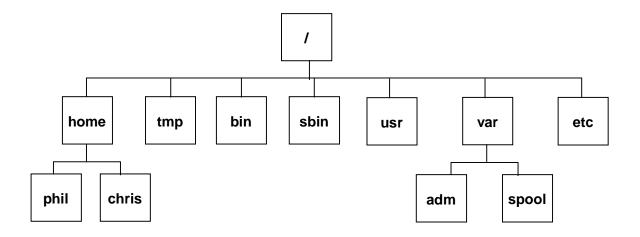
• Default - sh

• Remote - rsh

link to ksh in AIX V4

## **Directories**

The file-system comprises directories in a hierarchical structure



### A File

#### **Definition:**

- collection of data, located on a portion of a disk.
- stream of characters or a "byte stream".

No structure is imposed on an ordinary file by the operating system.

### **Examples:**

- Binary executable code /bin/ksh
- Text data /etc/passwd
- C program text /home/john/prog.c
- Device special file /dev/null
- Directory special file /home

\$ file filename - to find out which file type

## **AIX File Names**

- Should be descriptive of the content
- Are case-sensitive
- Should use only alphanumeric characters:

- Should not begin with "+" or "-" sign
- Should not contain embedded blanks or tabs
- Should not contain shell "special" characters:

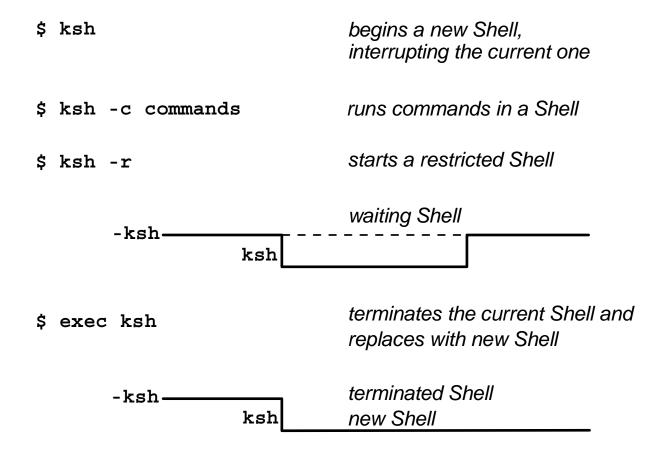
```
* ? > < / ; & ! ~
[ | ] $ \ ' " ` { } ( )
```

# What is a Shell Script?

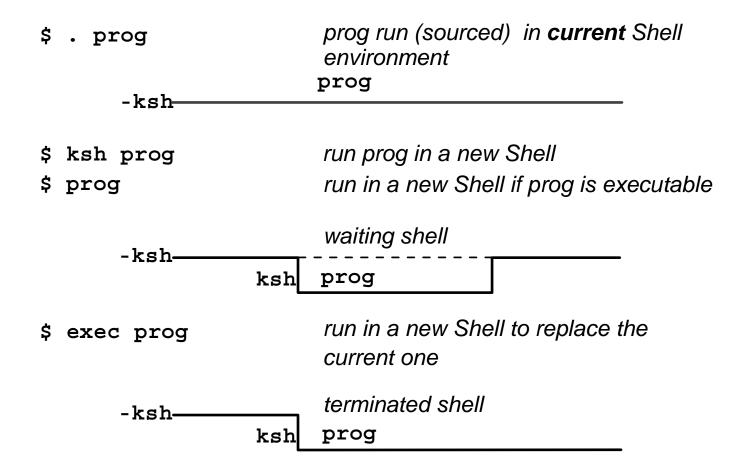
- A readable text file which can be edited with a text editor
  - /usr/bin/vi shell\_prog
- Anything that you can do from the Shell prompt
- A program, containing:
  - System commands
  - Variable assignments
  - Flow control syntax
  - Shell commands

and Comments!

# **Invoking Shells**



# **Invoking Scripts**



# **Korn Shell Configuration Files**

Invoking the Korn Shell sources:

/etc/environment
Sourced by all AIX processes

/etc/profile
Sourced by login Shells

.profile
Login Shells source this file in the user's home directory

ENV file
A resource file listed in the ENV Environment Variable will be sourced by Korn Shells

Each new **explicit** Korn Shell sources the ENV file again

### What Are Metacharacters?

Characters with special meaning

- 3 types
  - Wildcard (or expansion)
  - Korn Shell
  - Quoting
- Shell processes metacharacters before executing a command
- There are several different Shell metacharacters
- Metacharacters can be mixed

They can be turned off by Shell options

### **Wildcard Metacharacters**

Metacharacters that form patterns that are expanded into matching filenames from the current directory

\* - Match any number of any characters

? - Match any single character

[abc] - Match a single character from the bracketed list
 [!az] - Match any single character except those listed

[a-z] - Inclusive range for a list

**Character Equivalence Classes** can be used in place of range lists, to avoid National Language collation problems:

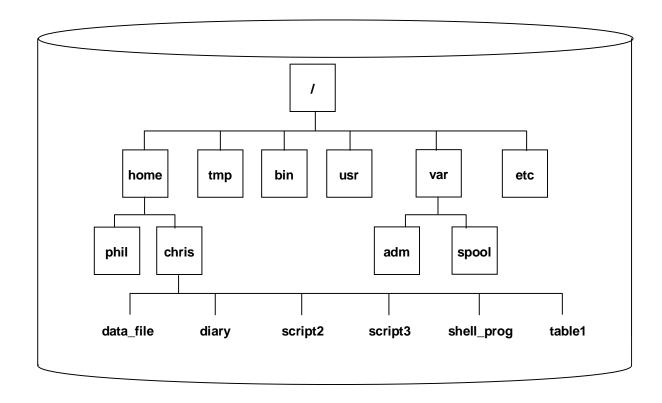
[[:upper:]] - range list of all upper case letters

[[:lower:]] - all lower case letters: a, b, c,... z

[[:digit:]] - digits: 0, 1, 2,... 9

[[:space:]] - spacing characters: tab, space, etc.

# **Sample Directory**



# **Expansion Examples**

\$ rm d\*y removes the diary file

\$ file script\* identifies script2 and script3

\$ head script[345] displays the top lines of script3

\$ more script[3-6] displays script3 screen by screen

\$ tail script[!12] displays the last lines of script3

#### Now your turn...

\$ touch ?a\*

\$ pg [st] [ah] \*

pr [a-z]\*t[0-9]

### **Korn Shell Metacharacters**

#### The Korn Shell can match multiple patterns

```
* (pattern | pattern...) zero or more occurrences
? (pattern | pattern...) zero or one occurrence
+ (pattern | pattern...) one or more occurrences
@ (pattern | pattern...) exactly one occurrence
! (pattern&pattern...) anything except
```

One or more patterns, separated with "|" for "or", "&" for "and"

#### **Examples:**

# **Quoting Metacharacters**

Stops normal Shell metacharacter processing, including metacharacter expansion

To form strings

"double quotes" group characters into a string,

and allow variable and command substitution

• To form literal strings

**'single quotes'** remove any special meaning

for the characters within them

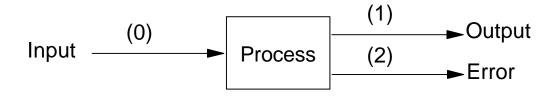
• For a literal character

**\character** removes the special meaning

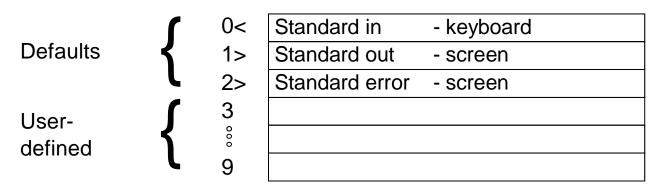
of the character following the \

## **Process I/O**

• Every process has a file descriptor table associated with it



File descriptor table



# **Input Redirection**

```
Redirecting standard input from a file:
                                       <
command < filename
$ mail gene
Subject: Hello
A letter to see if you are still with us.
<Ctrl-d>
$_
$ mail -s "Hello" gene < letter</pre>
$
Input may also be given inline. This is called a HERE document.
command << END
text
END
```

## **Output Redirection**

Redirecting standard output to a file: >

#### command > filename

```
$ ls /home/chris
data_file script2 script3 shell_prog table1
$ _
$ ls /home/chris > listing
$ _
```

Redirecting standard error output to a file: 2>

#### command 2> filename

```
$ cat /home/chris/printout
cat: 0652-050 Cannot open printout.
$ _
$ cat /home/chris/printout 2> errors
$ _
```

# **Output Appending**

Appending standard output to a file:

#### command >> filename

```
$ wc -l /home/chris/script3
            42 /home/chris/script3
$ _
$ wc -l /home/chris/script3 >> line_count
$ _
```

>>

Appending standard error output to a file: 2>>

#### command 2>> filename

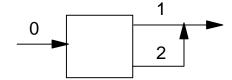
```
$ wc -c /home/chris/characters
wc: 0652-755 Cannot open characters.
$ _
$ wc -w /home/chris/words/ 2>> errors
$ _
```

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## **Association**

File descriptors can be joined, so that they output to the same place

command > file 2>&1



Redirects standard error to join with standard out

What do you think this command does?

# **Setting I/O or File Descriptors**

The built-in Shell command exec allows you to

- open
- associate
- close

### file descriptors

\$ exec n> of	Opens output file descriptor n to file "of"
\$ exec n< if	Opens input file descriptor n to read file "if"
\$ exec m>&n	Associates output file descriptor m with n
\$ exec m<&n	Associates input file descriptor m with n
\$ exec n>&-	Closes output file descriptor n
\$ exec n<&-	Closes input file descriptor n

# **Setting I/O Descriptor Examples**

To open file descriptor 3 for output to Dale's out file and 4 to Dale's err file

```
$ exec 3> /home/dale/out
$ exec 4> /home/dale/err
$ date >&3
$ ls /home/gale >&4
```

To associate output to file descriptor 3 with file descriptor 4

```
$ exec 3>&4
$ wc -l /home/gale/script3 >&3
$ wc -l /home/gale/table1 >&4
```

To close file descriptors 3 and 4

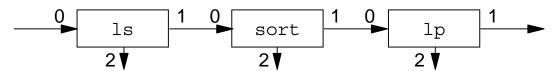
```
$ exec 3>&-
$ exec 4>&-
```

# **Pipes**

Commands can be joined, so one inputs into the next

Gives a command pipeline

sorts the file list into reverse order, and prints it



Pipelines may have a branch using the tee command

• duplicates the standard input to the branch and to standard out

```
$ ls /home/francis | tee raw_list | sort -r | lp
```

saves the unsorted list in the file raw\_list

# **Command Grouping ()**

```
To combine the output of several commands: ( ) or { }
 ( command ; command ... )

    Runs commands in a Sub-Shell

For root to alter Lynn's files:
   # ( cd /home/lynn ; chown lynn:bin d* )
leaves the working directory unchanged on completion
                            waiting shell
-sh-
   (command; command)
```

# **Command Grouping {}**

-ksh

```
{ command ; command ... ; }

• Runs commands in the current Shell
• Directory (or environment) changes remain in effect
• Must leave spaces around the braces

Either have the braces on separate lines
or include a final "; " before the closing brace

# { cd /home/lynn ; chown lynn:bin s* ;}
```

{ command; command; }

## **Background Processing**

Execute command in the background: &

command &

\$ sleep 999 &

Waiting for the end...

```
$ date
Fri Dec 31 11:59:59 EST 1999
$ wait
```

When all background processes have finished

\$\_

#### **Korn Shell Job Control**

Korn Shell assigns job numbers to background or suspended processes

- The jobs command lists your current Shell processes and their job ids
- Ctrl-z suspends the current foreground job
- bg runs a suspended job in background
- fg brings to foreground a suspended or background job
- Jobs can be stopped with the kill command

kill, fg and bg work with the following arguments:

pid	process id
%job_id	job id
%% - Or - %+	current job
% –	previous job
%command	match a command name
%?string	match string in command line

## **Job Control Example**

```
$ cc -o RUNME program in.c
After some time running this long compilation...
Ctrl-z
[2] + 5692 Stopped (SIGTSTP) cc -o RUNME
program in.c
$ jobs
+ [2] Stopped (SIGTSTP) cc -o RUNME
program in.c
- [1] Running
              sleep 999 &
$ bq %+
[2] cc -o RUNME program in.c
$ jobs
+ [2] Running
                       cc -o RUNME
program in.c
- [1] Running
                        sleep 999 &
$ kill %cc
[2] + 5692 Terminated cc -o RUNME
program in.c
$ fq %1
sleep 999
```

Completing the sleep in the foreground...

## **Command Line Editing and Recall**

Vi option for the Korn Shell gives:

- Command line editing
- Command recall

```
$ set -o vi
```

Then simply press **ESC** to enter editing mode:

- h to move the cursor left
- I to move the cursor right
- - or **k** fetches commands from the history file
- + or j if you go too far back
- Plus other vi commands to perform line editing

## **Summary**

- AIX Shells
- Hierarchical file-system
- File names and types
- Shell Scripts
- Invoking Shells
- Shell metacharacters: expansion, Korn and quoting
- < and << input redirection</p>
- > and >> output redirection
- 2> and 2>> error redirection
- Setting file descriptors
- Pipes and tees
- Command grouping
- Background processes
- Korn Shell job control
- Korn Shell command editing

#### Unit 2. Variables

## **Objectives**

How to use Shell variables and parameters:

- Setting variables
- Referencing variables
- Using Positional Parameters
- Shifting arguments
- Setting Positional Parameters
- Using Shell parameters
- How inheritance works
- Listing Shell variables
- Listing Environment variables

## **Setting Variables**

To assign a value to a variable: name=value

```
$ var1=Fri
$ _
```

To protect a variable against further changes:

```
readonly name=value
-or-
```

typeset -r name=value

```
$ readonly var1=Sun
$ var1=Mon
ksh: var1: This variable is read only
$ _
```

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## **Referencing Variables**

To reference a variable, prefix name with a \$

```
$ print $var1
Fri
$ _
```

To separate a variable reference from other text use: \${}}

```
$ print The course ends on $var1day
The course ends on
$ print The course ends on ${var1}day
The course ends on Friday
$
```

#### **Positional Parameters**

Parameters can be passed to Shell Scripts as arguments on the command line

```
$ params.ksh arg1 arg2
```

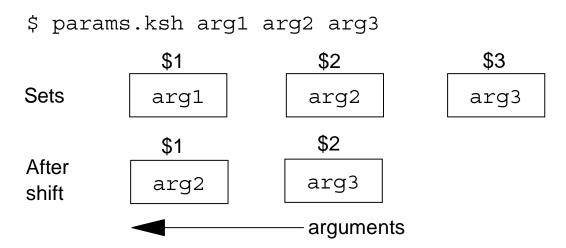
- "arg1" is Positional Parameter number 1
- "arg2" is Positional Parameter number 2
- Others are unset

They are referenced in the script by:

- \$1 to \$9 for the first nine
- \$\{10\} to \$\{n\} for the remainder (Korn Shell only!)

## **Shifting Arguments**

In a Shell Script the **shift** command moves arguments "to the left":



- Discarding the first or "leftmost" argument
- Decrementing the number of Positional Parameters
- Allowing Bourne Shell to reference more than 9 arguments

## **Setting Positional Parameters**

In a Shell Script the **set** command can:

- Change the values of Positional Parameters
- Unset Positional Parameters previously set

```
$ cat first.ksh
print $1 $2 $3
set value1 value2
print $1 $2 $3

$ first.ksh a b c
a b c
value1 value2

$ _
```

#### **Variable Parameters**

Shell Scripts set a number of other Shell Parameters:

- \$# The number of Positional Parameters set
- \$@ Positional Parameters in a space separated list
- \$\* Positional Parameters in a list separated by the first Field Separator (the default is a space)

In double quotes, \$@ and \$\* behave differently:

#### **Some Shell Parameters**

Shell Parameters that remain fixed for the duration of the Script:

- \$0 The (path)name used to invoke the Shell Script
- \$\$ The Process Id (PID) of current process (shell)
- \$- Shell Options used to invoke the Shell, e.g. -r

Parameters set as the Script executes commands:

- \$! The PID of the last background process
- \$? The return code from the last command executed

## Parameter Code Example

So let's put all of it into action in a Shell Script...

```
$ cat second.ksh
print $$
print $0
print "$# PPs as entered"
print "PP1=$1 PP2=$2 PP3=$3 PP4=$4"
shift
print $0
print "$# PPs after a shift"
print "PP1=$1 PP2=$2 PP3=$3 PP4=$4"
set "$@"
print 'Set "$@" - parameters in double quotes'
print "PP1=$1 PP2=$2 PP3=$3 PP4=$4"
set "$*"
print 'Set "$*" - parameters space separated'
print "PP1=$1 PP2=$2 PP3=$3 PP4=$4"
$_
```

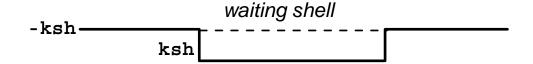
## **Parameter Output Example**

Here's what it does...

```
$ second.ksh arg1 arg2 "arg3 and text"
4687
second.ksh
3 PPs as entered
PP1=arg1 PP2=arg2 PP3=arg3 and text PP4=
second.ksh
2 PPs after a shift
PP1=arg2 PP2=arg3 and text PP3= PP4=
Set "$@" - parameters in double quotes
PP1=arg2 PP2=arg3 and text PP3= PP4=
Set $* - parameters in double quotes
PP1=arg2 arg3 and text PP2= PP3= PP4=
$ _
```

#### This Shell and the Next

What happens to variables when you spawn a Sub-Shell?



Unless you export variables, they will not be passed on.

\$ set to list all variables and values

\$ export var export variable var so that it will be inherited by Sub-Shells, or use typeset in the Korn Shell

\$ export variables that are exported, other variables will be unset in a Sub-Shell

## **Inheritance Example**

Let's see inheritance in action...

```
x=324
                              We can set a variable x
                             in our current shell
$ print "$$: X=$x"
4589: X=324
$ ksh
                             In a Sub-Shell, x is unset
$ print "$$: X=$x"
                             - there is no value to print
4590: X=
Ctrl-d
                              Returning to the main Shell...
$ print "$$: X=$x"
4589: X=324
                             x will have its value restored
                             If we export x, a Sub-Shell
$ export x
$ ksh
                              can inherit the value of x
$ print "$$: X=$x"
4591: X=324
                              If we change x from the
x=3
                              Sub-Shell, the change does
                              not affect the main Shell
Ctrl-d
$ print "$$: X=$x"
4589: X=324
```

## **Korn Shell Variables**

Korn Shell sets certain variables each time they are <u>referenced</u>:

RANDOM random number in the range 0 to 32767

LINENO current line number within a Shell Script

or function

ERRNO system error number of the last failed

system call – a system-dependent value!

## **Environment Variables**

Several variables define the environment of a Shell:

CDPATH a search path for the cd command

HOME your home directory

IFS input field separators (defaults to: space, tab, newline)

MAIL the name of your mail file

MAILCHECK mail check frequency (default 600 seconds)

MAILMSG the "you have new mail" message

PATH the system command search path

PS1 the primary Shell command prompt

PS2 a secondary prompt for multi-line entry

SHELL the pathname of the Shell

TERM the terminal type (selects terminfo file)

## **Korn Environment Variables**

Korn Shell specific features require environment variables:

COLUMNS screen width

EDITOR the editor for command line editing

ENV program/script to be sourced for each new Shell

FCEDIT an editor for the fc command

FPATH a search path for function definition files

HISTFILE your history file

HISTSIZE limit of history commands accessible

LC COLLATE sorting sequence for pattern ranges

LINES screen length

OLDPWD previous working directory for cd -

# **Korn Environment Variables (Cont.)**

OPTARG required value for an option – getopts

OPTIND index of the next argument for

getopts to process

PPID the parent process id

PS3 prompt for the select command

PS4 debug prompt for ksh with the -x option

PWD the current working directory

REPLY set by select command and the read

command if no argument is given

TMOUT seconds to Shell timeout

VISUAL a visual editor — overrides EDITOR

## **Summary**

- Setting variables
- Referencing variables
- Positional Parameters
- Shifting arguments
- Setting Positional Parameters
- Shell parameters
- Inheritance
- Shell variables
- Environment variables

## **Unit 3. Return Codes and Traps**

## **Objectives**

In this unit we will learn about:

- Return values
- Exit Codes
- Conditional execution
- The test command
- Compound expressions
- File test operators
- Numerical expressions
- String expressions
- Korn Shell test operators
- Korn Shell [[ ]] expressions
- Signals
- Sending signals
- Catching signals

#### **Return Values**

Each command, pipeline or group of commands returns a value to its parent process

- **\$?** contains the value of the return code
  - zero means success
  - non-zero means an error occurred

The single value returned by a pipeline is the return code of the last command in the pipeline

For grouped commands – that is, () or {} – the return code is that of the last command executed in the group

## **Exit Status**

A Shell script provides a return code using the exit command

\$ print \$\$	check the Shell process id
879	
\$ ksh	start a new Sub-Shell
\$ print \$\$	and check its process id
880	
\$ exit	quit the Sub-Shell
\$ print \$?	and print the return code
0	
<pre>\$ print \$\$</pre>	
879	
\$ ksh	begin another Sub-Shell
\$ print \$\$	
890	
\$ exit 101	exit with a value to set
\$ print \$?	the return code
101	
<pre>\$ print \$\$</pre>	
879	
\$_	
<pre>\$ print \$? 101 \$ print \$\$ 879</pre>	

#### **Conditional Execution**

A return code (or exit status) can be used to determine whether or not to execute the next command

• if command1 is successful execute command2

```
command1 && command2
$ rm -f file1 && print file1 removed
```

if command1 is not successful execute command2

```
command1 || command2
$ who|grep marty || print Marty logged off
```

#### The test Command

The test command is used for expression evaluation

```
- or -
[ expression ]
```

- returns zero if the expression is true
- returns non-zero if the expression is false

The Korn Shell provides an improved version

```
[[ expression ]]
```

- easier syntax
- includes same functionality as *test*
- additional operators
- Shell expansions prevented

## **Compound Expressions**

#### For the [] or test command

exp1 -a exp2
exp1 -o exp2
! exp
\(( \))

binary and operation binary or operation logical negation to group expressions

#### For the [[ ]] syntax

exp1 && exp2

true if both expressions are true - the second is only evaluated if the first is

true

exp1 || exp2

true if either expression is true - the second is only evaluated if the first is

false

! exp

logical negation

to group expressions

## **File Test Operators**

File status can be examined using several operators

#### True if ...: Operator: file has a size greater than zero -s file file exists and is readable -r file -w file file exists and is writable -x file file exists and is executable -u file file exists and has the SUID bit set -q file file exists and has the SGID bit set -k file file exists and has the SVTX sticky bit set -e file file exists -f file file exists and is an ordinary file -d file file exists and is a directory -c file file exists as a character special file -b file file exists as a block special file -p file file exists and is a named pipe file -L file file exists and is a symbolic link

## **Numeric Expressions**

For arithmetic expressions and integer values use Expression: True if ...:

exp1 -eq exp2	expl is equal to exp2
exp1 -ne exp2	exp1 is not equal to exp2
expl -lt exp2	exp1 is less than exp2
exp1 -le exp2	exp1 is less than or equal to exp2
exp1 -gt exp2	expl is greater than exp2
exp1 -ge exp2	expl is greater than or equal to exp2

## **String Expressions**

To examine strings use one of the following Expression: True if ...:

-n str str is non-zero in length

-z str str is zero in length

str1 = str2 str1 is the same as str2

# **Korn Shell Test Operators**

The Korn Shell provides a number of additional test operators

Expression:	True if:
file1 -ef file2	file1 is another name for file2
file1 -nt file2	file1 is newer than file2
file1 -ot file2	file1 is older than file2
-O file	file exists and its owner is the effective user id
-G file	file exists and its group is the effective group id
-S file	file exists as a socket special file
-t des	file descriptor des is open and associated with a terminal device

## Korn Shell [[]] Expressions

When using the Korn Shell [[ ]] syntax there are a few extra expressions...

Expression: True if ...:

str != pattern str does not match pattern

str1 < str2 str1 is before str2 in the ASCII collation sequence

str1 > str2 str1 is after str2 in ASCII collation

-o opt option opt is on for this shell

You may use Shell metacharacters in the patterns

#### **Practice Test**

```
$ [[ -s /etc/passwd || -r /etc/group ]]
                        True or False?
$ print $?
$ test -f /etc/motd -a ! -d /home
$ print $?
                        True or False?
$ x="005"
$ y=" 10"
$ test "$y" -eq 10
                        True or False?
$ print $?
$ [ "$x" = 5 ]
                        True or False?
$ print $?
$ [[ -n "$x" ]]
$ print $?
                        True or False?
$ test -S /dev/tty0
                        True or False?
$ print $?
$[[1234 = +([0-9])]]
                        True or False?
$ print $?
```

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#### **Signals**

The kernel sends *signals* to processes during their execution

- certain system events issue signals when they
  - run out of paging space
  - receive special key sequences like <Ctrl-c>
- The kill command sends a specific signal to a process

### What You Can Do with Signals

Signals sent to processes may be

• Caught the process deals with it

Ignored nothing happens

• Defaulted use default handlers

#### The Kill Command

• To send a signal to a process:

• To signal the current process group:

• To send a signal to all of your processes, except those with PPID 1 (do not use if you are root):

• To list all defined signals

To list the signal that caused an exit error

# **Signal List**

Here is a list of some useful signals

Signal:	Event:
0 EXIT	issued when a process or function completes (Shell specific)
1 HUP	you logged out while the process was still running – sent to Sub-Shells too
2 INT	interupt pressed (Ctrl-c)
3 QUIT	quit key sequence pressed (Ctrl-\)
15 TERM	default kill command signal
18 TSTP	process suspend (Ctrl-z)

# Signal List (Cont.)

Signal:	Event:
19 CONT	continue if stopped – issued by kill to a suspended process before TERM or HUP
29 PWR	power failure imminent – save data now!
33 DANGER	paging space low
63 SAK	you pressed <ctrl-x> and <ctrl-r> the SAK sequence</ctrl-r></ctrl-x>

#### **Catching Signals with Traps**

The trap command specifies any special processing you want to do when the process receives a signal:

To process signals

```
$ trap 'rm /tmp/$$; print signal!; exit 2' 2 3
```

To ignore signals

```
$ trap '' INT QUIT
```

To reset signal processing

```
$ trap - INT QUIT - or - trap 2 3
```

To list traps set

\$ trap

#### **Trap Example**

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# ps monitor
# monitor processes using ps -elf at intervals
# of 30 seconds for 2 minutes. If interrupted,
# a summary report is produced by executing
# psummary.
trap 'print $0: interrupt received;
        ./psummary ;
        exit' 2 3 15
ps -elf > /tmp/pdata
sleep 30
ps -elf >> /tmp/pdata
trap - 2 3 15
```

#### **Summary**

- Return values
- Exit status
- Conditional execution
- The test command
- Compound expressions
- File *test* operators
- Numerical expressions
- String expressions
- Korn Shell *test* operators
- Korn Shell [[]] expressions
- Signals
- Sending signals *kill* command
- Catching signals *trap* command

#### **Unit 4. Flow Control**

### **Objectives**

For practical Shell Scripts we need program logic:

- The *if then else* construct
- Conditional loops with until and while
- Specific value iteration with for
- Multiple choice pattern matching with case
- The select command for menus
- Breaking and continuing loops
- Doing nothing the null command

#### The if - then - else Construct

```
if expression1
then
    commands to be executed if
    expression1 is true
elif expression2
then
    commands to be executed if
    expression1 is false, and
    expression2 is true
elif expression3
then
    commands to be executed if
    expression1 and expression2
    are false, but expression3 is true
else
    commands to be executed if all
    expressions are false
fi
```

#### if Example

Here is a simple if construct:

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# Usage: goodbye username
if [[ $# -ne 1 ]]
then
        print "Usage is: goodbye username"
        print "Please try again."
        exit 1
fi
rmuser $1
print "O.K., $1 is removed."
When we run "goodbye", this is what we get ...
$ qoodbye
Usage is: goodbye username
Please try again.
$ goodbye pete
O.K., pete is removed.
$
```

# **Conditional Loop Syntax**

```
until expression
do
    commands executed
    when expression is false
           # optional < file
done
while expression
do
    commands executed
    when expression is true
           # optional < file
done
```

# until Loop Example

The C compiler returns a non-zero exit code until its compilation is successful:

```
$ until cc prog.c
> do
 vi prog.c
> done
```

#### while true Example

The Script "forever" is a tough cookie!

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# An endless loop with a trap for INT QUIT TSTP
trap 'print "hasta la vista - baby!"' 2 3 18
while true
do
        print "I'll be back."
         sleep 10
done
   forever
                             every ten seconds
I'll be back.
                             the script speaks!
I'll be back.
I'll be back.
                             an attempt to stop it...
Ctrl-c
                            invokes the trap, and
hasta la vista - baby!
                             it carries on.
I'll be back.
I'll be back.
```

# for Loop Syntax

```
for identifier in word1 word2 ...
do
    commands using $identifier
    more commands
done
for identifier
# equivalent to: for identifier in "$@"
do
    commands using $identifier which takes
    values from the positional parameters
done
```

# for - in Loop Example

Here we have a quick tidy-up to delete files:

```
$ for file in *.tmp
> do
> rm -f $file
> done
$ __
```

Why use the option -f?

### for Loop Example

The sample Script "getprice.ksh" will look up the price list:

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# getprice.ksh - select price from "pricelist" file
# for each item entered on the command line
# Usage: getprice item1 item2 ...
for item
do
       grep -i "$item" pricelist
done
$ getprice.ksh "Shock Absorbers" "Air Filter"
Front Shock Absorbers
                          49.99
Rear Shock Absorbers 59.99
Air Filter
                           10.99
```

#### The case Statement

```
case word in
( pattern1 | pattern2 | ... )
     action
(*) default
esac
case $identifier in
(pattern1)
                    command1
                    more_commands;;
(pattern2 | pattern3) commands
                    commands
esac
```

### case Code Example

#### A guessing game of sorts:

### **Case Code Output**

A casino dealer in the making?

```
$ match Three
Guess again.

$ match Jack
I hope you'll get it next time.

$ match Ace
You are really close.

$ match King
Missed it by that much.

$ match Queen
Finally!
```

#### Mini Quiz

- 1. There can be any number of *elif* statements in an *if then else* construct.
- 2. while true and until false are they equals or opposites?
- 3. The statement: "for identifier" takes its input from positional parameters.

# The Korn Shell select Syntax

select identifier in word1 word2 ...

```
commands using $identifier usually containing a case statement

done

select identifier

# equivalent to: select identifier in "$@"

do

commands using $identifier from positional parameters usually containing a case statement

done
```

# select Code Example

To help identify animals we have a "barn.ksh" Shell Script:

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# usage: barn.ksh
PS3="Pick an animal: "
select animal in cow pig dog quit
do
        case $animal in
                   print "Moo"
        (cow)
                 ;;
        (pig)
                   print "Oink"
                 ;;
                   print "Woof"
        (dog)
                 ;;
        (quit)
                     exit
                 ;;
        ('')
                print "Not in the barn"
                 ;;
        esac
done
```

### select Output Example

Running "barn.ksh" we can choose an animal to examine ...

```
$ barn.ksh
1) cow
2) pig
3) dog
4) quit
Pick an animal: 1
Moo
Pick an animal: 2
Oink
Pick an animal: 3
Woof
Pick an animal: 8
Not in the barn
Pick an animal: 4
$
```

#### exit The Loop

In the Korn Shell script /usr/sbin/snap

```
if [ "$badargs" = n ]
then
  for choice in $cmplist
  do
  if [ "$component" = "$choice" ]
  then found=y; break;
  fi
  done
  if [ \$found = y ]
  then
    if [ -r "$destdir/$component/$component.snap" ]
    then
    more $destdir/$component/$component.snap
    echo "^Gsnap: $destdir/$component/$component.snap not found"
    exit 25
    fi
  fi
else
    usage
    exit 26
fi
```

### break The Loop

The break command jumps out of **do...done** loops:

- exits from the smallest enclosing loop
- jumps out a specified *number* of layers/loops

#### break number

```
select choice in Backup Restore Quit
do
   case $choice in
   (Backup) find . -print|backup -iqf /dev/rfd0
;;
   (Restore) restore -xqf /dev/rfd0
;;
   (Quit) break
;;
   ('') print "What ?" 1>&2
;;
   esac
done
```

#### continue The Loop

The **continue** command begins the next iteration of a **do...done** loop:

- starts at the top of the smallest enclosing loop
- begins again a specified *number* of layers/loops out

#### continue number

```
$ for File in *
> do
> if [[ -d $File ]]
> then
> continue
> fi
> file $File
> done
$ __
```

#### null Logic

Sometimes you require a command, but you don't actually want to do anything – a NULL command

# **Program Logic Constructs Example**

Here's a Script to delete empty files:

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# Usage: delfile file1 file2 ...
while [[ $# -gt 0 ]]
do
        if [[ -f "$1" ]]
        then
                if [[ ! -s "$1" ]]
                then
                         rm $1 && print $1 deleted
                else
                         print $1 not deleted 1>&2
                fi
        elif [[ -d "$1" ]]
        then
                print $1 is a directory
        else
                print "$1" is a special file
        fi
        shift
done
```

#### **Summary**

- The if − then − else construct
- Conditional loops with until and while
- Specific value iteration with for
- Multiple choice pattern matching with case
- The select command for menus
- Leaving loops Exit and Break
- Begining again Continue
- Doing nothing the null command —:

#### **Unit 5. Shell Commands**

#### **Objectives**

We shall learn in this unit about some special built-in Shell commands:

- The Korn Shell print command
- Special printing characters
- The read command
- Option and argument processing with getopts
- Command line re-evaluation with eval
- History manipulations with fc
- The set command
- Shell options with set
- Shell invocation
- Built-in commands
- Shell commands provided by AIX

#### **The Print Command**

The **print** command is the Korn Shell output mechanism:

**print** argument ... prints arguments to standard output

separated by spaces

**print -** argument ... to print arguments that look like options

**print -r** argument ... RAW mode – do not interpret special

characters

print -R argument ... equivalent to "-" and "-r"

**print -n** argument ... no trailing newline after output

**print -uN** argument ... output sent to file descriptor **N** 

**print -s** argument ... output to the shell history file only

# **Special Print Characters**

Backslash character sequences have special meaning (except in raw mode)

\a Alarm - ring the terminal bell

**\b** Backspace

**\c** Print without trailing newline (same as print -n)

\f Form feed

**\n** Newline

\r Return

\t Tab

\v Vertical tab

\\ Backslash

**\0xxx** Character with octal code **xxx** (up to three octal digits)

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#### print Examples

When you use the **print** command, here's what you get...

```
$ print "Line 1\n\tLine2"
Line1
       Line2
$ print 'One quarter = \0274'
One quarter = 1/4
$ print 'Backslash = \0134'
Backslash = \
$ print -r 'hi\\\there 1'
hi\\\there 1
$ print -r hi\\\there 2
hi\\there 2
$ print 'hi\\\there 3'
hi\\there 3
$ print hi\\\there 4
hi\there 4
$_
```

#### The read Command

To get input while a Shell Script is running, use read:

```
read variable ...
```

The read command reads a line from its standard input

- Assigns input words to the variables
- Set remaining variables to null if too few words
- Set last variable to the remainder of the words if too few variables

For the Korn Shell, if no variables are specified, the **REPLY** variable is set to the whole input line

#### read Examples

We can use **read** from the Shell prompt as well...

#### read Command Options

The Korn Shell **read** command has some options:

```
read -r variable ... raw mode - \ is not taken as a line continuation character record the input line in the history file and set variables

read -uN variable ... read from file descriptor N
```

You can specify a prompt for the command to display on standard error Add a "?prompt" to the first variable

```
read variable?prompt variable ...
```

For example, to request a user for a text string:

```
read string?'Please enter a text string'
```

### read Options Examples

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# Usage: readrun
# Prompt the user when asking for input.
read word1?"Enter some text : " word2
print "Word1 = $word1 Word2 = $word2 \n"
$ readrun
Enter some text : The cursor appeared here
Word1 = The Word2 = cursor appeared here
$_
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# Usage: readraw
# Read & print text file in raw mode until EOF.
while read -r line
do
   print -R "$line"
done < text file
$ readraw
The first line of \ttext file
-now the second
The last line of \ttext file\t-\tend of file!\a
$_
```

#### **Processing Options**

Parameters on a script command line are of two types

- arguments used in script
- options used to tell the script things

General parameter/argument processing is difficult

#### Consider

```
$ myscript -a -f optionfile argfile
$ myscript -foptionfile -va argfile
```

Shell provides **getopts** as a solution

#### The getopts Command

The **getopts** command processes options and associated arguments from a parameter list

```
getopts optionstring variable parameter...
```

- Each invocation of getopts processes the next option in the parameter list
  - usually called within a loop
- The optionstring lists expected option identifiers
  - if an option identifier requires an associated argument, add a colon (:)
  - a <u>leading</u> colon in the list suppresses "invalid option" messages by getopts

#### getopts Syntax Example

How are options processed when passed to a script?

#### Assume

- The possible options are a, b and c
- Option b is to have an associated argument
- Suppress normal OpSys error messages

Inside the script **getopts** will be used early on:

```
while getopts ':ab:c' flag arguments
do
```

identify the values set by getopts

done

A correct command line to the script might be

```
$ prog.ksh +c -ab barg -- arg1 arg2
What about?
$ prog.ksh -c -b -a -- arg1 arg2
```

#### getopts Example

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# Example of getopts
USAGE="usage: example.getopts.ksh [+-c] [+-v] [-a argument]"
while getopts :a:cv arguments
do
case $arguments in
         argument=$OPTARG ;;
     c) compile=on ;;
    +c) compile=off;;
    v) verbose=on ;;
    +v) verbose=off ;;
        print "You forgot an argument for the switch called a."; exit;
        print "$OPTARG is not a valid switch" ; print "$USAGE" ; exit ;;
    esac
done
print "compile is $compile; verbose is $verbose; argument is $argument "
#END
```

#### The eval Command

The Shell processes each command line read before invoking the relevant command(s).

If you want to re-read and process a command line, use eval:

- Eval processes its arguments as normal
- The arguments are formed into a space separated string
- The Shell then executes that string as a command line
- The return value is that of the executed command line

#### eval Examples

Here are some eval command lines...

```
$ eval print '*sh'
getopts.example.ksh eval.ksh
                                          try.sh
                                          print the message
$ message1=Goodbye
                                          named by $variable
$ message10=Hello
$ variable=message10
$ eval print '$'$variable
Hello
$ print "ls | sort -r" > cmd file
$ read -r line < cmd file</pre>
                                          read a cmd file line
$ eval "$line"
                                          - run as a command
zfile
afile
$ cmd='ps -ef | grep tommy'
                                          run a string command
$ eval $cmd
                                          to list tommy's processes
```

#### The fc Command

The Korn Shell fc command interactively edits and then re-executes portions of your command history file:

fc start end edits and executes a command range

- start defaults to the last command

- end defaults to the value of start

-e editor to specify an editor other than

\$FCEDIT - Shell default is /bin/ed

To re-execute a single command with automatic editing:

- old=new to swap string old with string new
- command to specify a command default last

#### fc Examples - Edit and Execute

Ranges may be strings, absolute or relative numbers...

\$ fc edit the last command with the

\$FCEDIT editor, and then re-execute

\$ fc pwd cc edit with \$FCEDIT from the most

recent command starting with pwd, to

one beginning with cc

\$ fc -e vi 10 20 use vi to edit history lines 10 to 20

\$ fc -e ex -3 -1 edit the last three commands with ex

Automatic editing can specify a command in a similar way

\$ fc -e - re-execute last command as was

\$ fc -e - cc re-run most recent cc command

\$ fc -e - s=\? -2 change "s" into "?" in the command before last

#### fc Examples - Lists

The Korn Shell fc command lists portions of your command history file:

fc -1 start end	list the specified command range - the default is the last 16 commands
-n	suppress command numbers in list
-r	reverses the order of commands

For example...

```
    fc -1 pg grep lists commands from the last pg to a grep
    fc -1 15 20 lists commands 15 to 20
    fc -1 -5 -1 lists the last five commands
```

#### The set Command

We have seen three functions performed by the **set** command:

set lists set variables with their values

set value ... re-sets the positional parameters

set -o vi enables Korn Shell line recall and editing

This last form sets a Korn Shell option. There are several more options to set:

- Korn Shell options and settings are listed by set -o
- ◆Turn option on with set -o option or set -L (where L is an option identifier)
- Turn option off using set +o option or set +L

### **Shell Options With Set**

Option: L Description:

allexport a automatically export each variable set

bgnice run all background jobs at a lower priority

- this is on by default for interactive Shells

ignoreeof stops an interactive Shell exiting on Ctrl-d

- you must use the exit command

noclobber C stops the Shell overwriting existing files with

> re-direction ( > | works instead)

noexec n for a non-interactive Shell to check syntax without

executing commands

noglob f disables metacharacter pathname expansion

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# **Shell Options With Set (Cont.)**

Option	L	Description
notify	b	to notify asynchronously of background job completions
	S	to sort positional parameters
trackall	h	set-up a tracked alias for each new command – on for non-interactive Shells
verbose	V	to display input on standard error as it is read
vi		turns on history line recall and vi editing
xtrace	Х	the debug option – the Shell displays PS4 with each processed command line
errexit	е	exits if any command returns a non-zero return code
nounset	u	displays an error message when an unset variable is used

#### **Set Quiz**

- 1. What command would you use to re-set the positional parameters to "one" "two" "three"?
- 2. What lists the Shell options with settings?
- 3. Which *set* option ensures that each variable assignment will be inherited by a sub-Shell?
- 4. What would stop <Ctrl-d> from logging me out?
- 5. How can I use *set* to protect my files from being overwritten by output re-direction?

#### **Shell builtin Commands**

We have seen the following builtin Shell commands:

•	<u>:</u>	bg	<u>break</u>
cd	<u>continue</u>	echo	<u>eval</u>
<u>exec</u>	<u>exit</u>	<u>export</u>	fc
fg	getopts	jobs	kill
print	pwd	read	<u>readonly</u>
set	<u>shift</u>	test	[ ]
<u>trap</u>	<u>typeset</u>	unset	wait

In the later units we will see:

All builtin commands can run in the current environment

Special builtin commands may terminate the Shell if an error occurs

#### **AIX Shell Commands**

Some built-in Korn Shell commands are also provided as AIX commands – accessible from all Shells:

alias	bg	cd	command
echo	fc	fg	getopt
jobs	kill	newgrp	read
umask	unalias	wait	

AIX commands are also provided for the logical words:

false true

Most of these commands are shell scripts in /usr/bin – they are provided for POSIX compliance

#### Summary

- The Korn Shell print command
- Special printing characters
- The read command
- Option and argument processing with getopts
- Command line re-evaluation with eval
- History manipulations with fc
- The set command
- Shell options with *set*
- Shell invocation
- Builtin commands
- Shell commands provided by AIX

#### Unit 6. Arithmetic

#### **Objectives**

In this unit we will learn how to do arithmetic in the Shell.

- The expr utility
- Expr arithmetic and logical operators
- Korn Shell let or (( ))
- Number bases
- Let logical operators
- Integer variables
- Implicit let
- The bc utility

### **expr Arithmetic**

AIX provides the **expr** <u>utility</u> to perform *integer* arithmetic

expr argument1 operator argument2 ...

expr features

- runs in a Sub-Shell not a Shell builtin command
- writes results to standard output
- exit code is 0 for non-zero evaluations
- exit code is 1 for zero or null evaluations
- exit code is ≥ 2 if an expression is invalid

Mostly used for control flow in shell scripts – loop counters

#### **expr Arithmetic Operators**

To group expressions use:

( ) fixes evaluation order - otherwise normal rules of precedence apply

The integer operators result in mathematical evaluations:

- multiplication
- / integer division
- % remainder
- + addition
- subtraction (also unary minus sign)

NOTE: Use of backslash?

#### **expr Logic Operators**

For integers or strings the following <u>result</u> is 1 for true, 0 for false:

- = equal
- != not equal
- < less than
- <= less than or equal
- > greater than
- >= greater than or equal

Logic operators & (and) and | (or) give different output:

are non-zero, 0 otherwise

expr LHS \ RHS "or" - evaluates to LHS if it is

non-zero, otherwise to RHS

#### expr Examples

Here is some simple integer arithmetic...

```
$ var1=6; var2=3
$ expr $var1 / $var2
2
$ expr $var1 - $var2
3
$ expr \( $var1 + $var2 \) \* 5
45
$ _
```

What is the result of the following?

```
$ expr 10 % 3
$ expr 10 / 3
```

## expr Examples (Cont.)

Some logical examples...

What is the result of the following?

```
$ expr 10 \| 3
$ zero=0
$ expr 10 \& 1 + $zero
```

#### The Korn Shell let Command

```
let argument ..
-or-
(( argument ))
```

- The let built-in Shell command performs long integer arithmetic approximately 10 times faster than expr
- Evaluates each argument as an arithmetic expression
- No quotes for special characters, or arguments with spaces or tabs in them, within (( ))
- Variables need no \$
- The exit code is 0 (true) for non-zero, and 1 (false) for zero evaluations

#### **let Arithmetic Operators**

For simple arithmetic:

```
overrides normal precedence rules
multiplication
division
remainder
addition
subtraction (or unary minus)

= assignment
```

```
var op= exp means var = var op exp
```

Upto nine levels of nested processing will be evaluated:

```
$ z=2 ; y="z + 1"
$ (( x=3*y ))
$ print $x
9
$ _
```

#### base#number Syntax

With **let** you are not limited to just decimal (base ten) integers:

- let constants are of the form base#number
- base is an integer in the range 2 to 36 (10 default)
- number may include upper or lower case letters for bases greater than 10

```
2#100 in binary = 4 in base 10
```

$$8#33$$
 in octal = 27

$$16#2A \text{ in base}16 = 42$$

#### **let Arithmetic Examples - 1**

Some simple arithmetic...

```
$ a=1
b=2
$ let c=a+b d=b \times b
((e = 9 / 2#10)) integer division
$((e += a))
$ print $z $a $b $c $d $e
```

((z = 2#10 + -b)) unary minus needs a space before it no spaces, but \ needed for \* multiple arguments assignment: addition

What do you think we get?

#### **let Logical Operators**

Logical expressions evaluate to 1 if true, 0 if false (the exit code is 0 for non-zero, 1 for zero – as expected):

```
logical negation
ļ
           less than
<
           less than or equal to
<=
           greater than
>
           greater than or equal to
>=
           equal to
           not equal to
! =
           logical "and" = 1 if both LHS and RHS are true
&&
           (RHS not evaluated if LHS is false)
           logical "or" = 1 if either LHS or RHS are true (if
```

LHS is true, RHS not used)

## let Logical Examples

```
\$ ((p = 9))
$ (( p = p * 6 ))
$ print $p
$ ((p > 0 \&\& p <= 10))
$ print $?
$ q=100
((p < q | p == 5))
$ print $?
$ if ((p < q \&\& p == 54))
> then
> print TRUE
> fi
TRUE
```

#### Korn Shell integer Variables

Korn Shell variables are stored as character strings unless defined with the *integer* command

```
integer variable=value ...
-or-
typeset -iN variable=value ...
```

- Sets the integer attribute for each variable
- typeset can define a base N, variables then <u>print</u> in the specified base (2 to 36)
- Assignment to an integer variable causes expression evaluation an implicit let command
- let does not have to convert integer variables from character strings to numerical values

#### integer Examples

Some examples of integer and typeset -i...

```
x can hold only integers
$ integer x
$ x=string
ksh: string: 0403-009 The specified number is
not valid for this command.
                            implicit let command
$x=5+10
$ print $x
15
$((x = 5 + 100))
$ print $x
105
$ typeset -i8 nums0 nums1 nums2
                            define an octal integer variable
$ nums0=8#5
$ nums1=8#10
$ (( nums2=8#3*nums0 )) assign value
$ print ${nums2}
8#17
x=${nums2}
                           print gives answer in base 10
$ print $x
15
```

# **Implicit let Command**

**integer** variable assignments are an implicit *let* command Other implicit let commands are:

Values for the Korn Shell shift command

• Resource limits with **ulimit** 

```
ulimit -t TMOUT+60
```

#### **bc** - Mathematics

The AIX system provides the bc utility

bc [file]

- performs floating point arithmetic
- acts as a filter command or interactively
- reads arithmetic expression strings from standard input or a specified file
- semicolons or new lines separate expressions
- set the scale variable inside bc to define the required number of decimal places
- prints results to standard output

## **bc Operators**

For simple arithmetic and logical evaluations, use:

```
(, ), +, -, *, /, %, = as for let arithmetic operators as for let logical operators as for let logical operators raise x to the power y sqrt (x) square root post and pre increment x x^{-} post and pre decrement x x^{-} post and pre decrement x x^{-} for x^{-} x^
```

A library provides complex mathematical functions:

```
\begin{array}{ll} s\left(x\right) & \text{sine of } x \\ c\left(x\right) & \text{cosine of } x \\ e\left(x\right) & \text{natural exponential of } x \\ l\left(x\right) & \text{natural log of } x \\ a\left(x\right) & \text{arctangent of } x \\ j\left(n,x\right) & \text{Bessel function} \end{array}
```

#### Precision functions:

length(n) number of significant digits E.g. 123.456 has n=6 scale(n) number of digits after decimal point E.g. 123.456 has n=3

### bc Examples

Here are some examples of **bc** working both as a filter and interactively...

# **Summary**

- The *expr* utility
- Expr arithmetic and logical operators
- Korn Shell let or (( ))
- Number bases
- *let* logical operators
- Integer variables
- Implicit *let*
- The *bc* utility

#### Unit 7. Korn Shell Types, Commands and Shell **Functions**

### **Objectives**

This unit describes Korn Shell arrays and takes an in-depth look at commands and their use

- Korn Shell arrays
- Command substitution
- Functions
- Typeset command
- Autoload functions
- Command aliases
- Pre-set aliases
- Tracked aliases
- The whence command
- Command line processing

## **Defining Arrays**

The Korn Shell supports one-dimensional arrays:

- arrays need not be "declared"
- access an element of an array by a subscript to a variable name
- any variable with a valid subscript becomes an array
- a subscript is an expression enclosed within []
- subscripts should lie in the range 0 to 4095
- variable attributes (e.g. readonly) apply to all elements of the array

Caution: an entire array cannot be exported, only the 0th element

# **Assigning Array Elements**

Just like ordinary variables, values can be assigned, and later referred to:

- assign contents to an array element using
   array [N] = argument
- to unset an array and assign new values sequentially, use

```
set -A array argument ...
```

 to simply replace existing array values with new ones, use

```
set +A array argument ...
```

# **Referencing Array Elements**

The \$ notation is used to refer to the value in a variable:

- when referencing an array element use { } notationprint \${array[N]}
- to refer to all the elements of an array use an \* or @ subscript (to give a space separated list)
   \$\{\array[\*]\}\$ or \$\{\array[@]\}\$
- if you omit a subscript, it means the zeroth element
  \$\{\array[0]\} == \\$\array

## **Array Examples**

```
Fill the array list.
$ list[0]="Line 0"
$ list[1] = "Line 1"
$ list[3] = "Line 3"
$ print $list
                            Print the zeroth element.
Line 0
$ print ${list[*]}
                           Print all elements.
Line 0 Line 1 Line 3
$ print ${list[0]}
                            Print elements individually.
Line 0
$ print ${list[1]}
Line 1
$ print ${list[2]}
                            Element [2] is null.
$ print ${list[3]}
Line 3
                            Without { } notation, we
$ print $list[1]
                            get "$list" + "[1]".
Line 0[1]
```

### **Another Array Example**

Here we have the beginnings of a card game...

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# Usage: pickacard.ksh
# To choose a random card from a new deck
integer number=0
for suit in CLUBS DIAMONDS HEARTS SPADES
 do
 for n in ACE 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 JACK QUEEN KING
   do
     card[number] = "$n of $suit"
     number=number+1
   done
 done
print ${card[RANDOM%52]}
$ pickacard.ksh
QUEEN of DIAMONDS
$
```

#### **Command Substitution**

Command substitution allows you to use the output of a command or group of commands:

- in a variable assignment
- in part of an argument list

<u>Bourne</u>	variable=`command`	
<u>Korn</u>	- or - variable=\$(command)	

Nesting is possible:

```
var=`cmd1 \`cmd2 \\\`cmd3\\\` \` `
- or -
var=$(cmd1 $(cmd2 $(cmd3) ) )
```

#### **Command Substitution Examples**

Here is command substitution in action...

```
$ d=$(date)
$ print $d
Tue Feb 29 02:29:00 EST 2000
$ print "Contents of a file" > tmp file
$ c= cat tmp file
$ r=$ (< tmp file)
                               no command, no Sub-Shell, so faster
$ print "Cat: $c \n<: $r"</pre>
Cat: Contents of a file
<: Contents of a file
$ print "Most recent file: $(ls -t | head -1)"
Most recent file: tmp file
$ arg1=1 ; arg2=2
$ answer=$(expr $arg2 \  \  $(expr $arg1 + 3) )
$ print $answer
8
```

# **Defining Functions**

Commands can group together and be named The set of commands form the function body Function definitions look like:

```
Bourne
identifier()
{
    commands
}
commands
}
Korn
function identifier
{
    commands
    commands
}
```

**Functions** 

- provide a means of breaking down programs into discrete units
- stored in memory for fast access
- executed, like new commands, in the current environment

#### **Functions and Variables**

Functions have different variables to the main Script:

- arguments
  - taken as positional parameters to the function
  - calling script \$1-\${n} parameters are reset on leaving the called function
- variables
  - declared with the typeset or integer commands (inside a Korn Shell function) are "local" variables to the function
  - all other variables are "global" in the Script
  - the "scope" of a "local" variable includes all functions called from the current function

#### function Examples

Some useful functions...

```
$ function cd
> {
     command cd "$@" - command stops recursion
     PS1="`pwd` : " - PS1 is set to "/tmp : "
> }
$ cd /tmp
/tmp : cd /

    the new prompt appears

                           - and will follow us around
/ : _
# Handy for usage errors in Shell Scripts
# Invoke function usage with arguments: script
# followed by arglist. Note exit status!
function usage
   proq="$1"; shift
   print -u2 "$prog: usage: $prog $@"
   exit 1
```

## **Ending Functions**

A function completes after executing the last command:

- the exit code is normally that of the last command
- return can be used to specify an exit code N, or just end the function at that point

return N

- exit will terminate the current function and current Shell
   exit N
- errors within a Korn Shell function cause it to return control and the error exit code to the calling Script

Functions may be deleted from memory using...

unset -f functionname

# **Functions and Traps**

The behavior of **trap** with functions is determined by the Shell type:

Bourne: a **trap** is "global" – the same in and out of

a function

Korn: a trap is "local" to a function and is reset on

completion

a main program trap is not shared with

functions

a signal that is not caught or ignored, may

cause the script to terminate

a signal that is ignored by a Korn Shell, is

also ignored by functions called from it

### The typeset Command

The Korn Shell typeset command defines or lists variables and their attributes:

```
typeset ±LN variable1=value1 variable2=value2 ...
```

omitting variables lists variables with specified attributes

- sets attributes, or lists names and values
- + unsets attributes, or lists just names

Where **L** is any of ...

- r the **readonly** attribute no modification of variables' value
- i sets the **integer** attribute use with *N* to set number base
- x the **export** attribute the variable will be exported

## typeset Examples

Declare arrays to specify:

```
sizeattributes
```

8#64 \$

Inside a Korn Shell function, **typeset** creates a "local" variable...

only element 0 was exported

```
# Function to convert numbers into binary
function binary_convert
{
    typeset -i2 binary=$1
    print "$1 = $binary"
}
```

# typeset With Functions

#### Other uses of **typeset** are:

- display functions
- set function attributes
- unset function attributes

```
typeset ±fL function1 function2 ...
```

- to list functions with specified attributes, omit function list
- -f sets attributes, or displays function names and definitions
- +f unsets attributes, or displays only function names

#### Where *L* is any of...

- the **export** attribute the function will be available to implicit
   Shells invoked from the current one
- u to mark a function as undefined
- the Shell **xtrace** option for a function

# typeset with Functions Examples

#### autoload Functions

A Korn Shell function that is defined only when it is first called, is an **autoload** function:

autoload function - or typeset -fu function

- using autoload functions improves performance
- the Korn Shell searches directories listed in the FPATH variable for a file with the name of the called function
- the contents of that file then defines the function
- existing function definitions are not unset

#### **Aliases**

The Korn Shell **alias** facility provides:

- a way of creating new commands
- a means of renaming existing commands

<u>Creation:</u> alias name=definition

Deletion: unalias name

An **alias** definition may contain any valid Shell Script or metacharacters

## **Processing Aliases**

Command lines are split into words by the Shell:

- check the first word of each command line for a defined alias
- a backslash in front of a command name prevents alias expansion if the alias exists
- if the definition ends in a space or tab, the next command word will also be processed for alias expansion
- resolve alias names within a function when function definitions are read – not at execution!

#### **Preset Aliases**

Korn Shell uses the following exported aliases

may be unaliased or redefined

```
alias autoload='typeset -fu'
alias false='let 0'
alias functions='typeset -f'
alias hash='alias -t'
alias history='fc -l'
alias integer='typeset -i'
alias nohup='nohup' with trailing space
alias r='fc -e -'
alias true=:
alias type='whence -v'
```

#### **The alias Command**

The **alias** command has some options:

```
alias -L name=definition
```

Where *L* is any mix of...

- x to set, or display exported aliases
- to set, or list tracked aliases

If *definition* is quoted...

"definition" interpreted when entered

'definition' text stored for later interpretation

## alias Examples

```
x=10
$ alias px="print $x" rx='print $x'
x=100
                        prints $x as it was
$ px
10
                        prints the latest $x
$ rx
100
                        an alias for some flow control
$ alias od=done
$ for i in lazy done
> do
 print $i
>
> od
lazy
done
```

#### **Tracked Aliases**

A "tracked alias" reduces the search time for a future use of a command

turns on Shell trackall option

First use of a command creates tracked alias

Force creation with

List all "tracked aliases"

NOTE: the value of a "tracked alias" becomes undefined when the PATH variable is reset

#### The whence Command

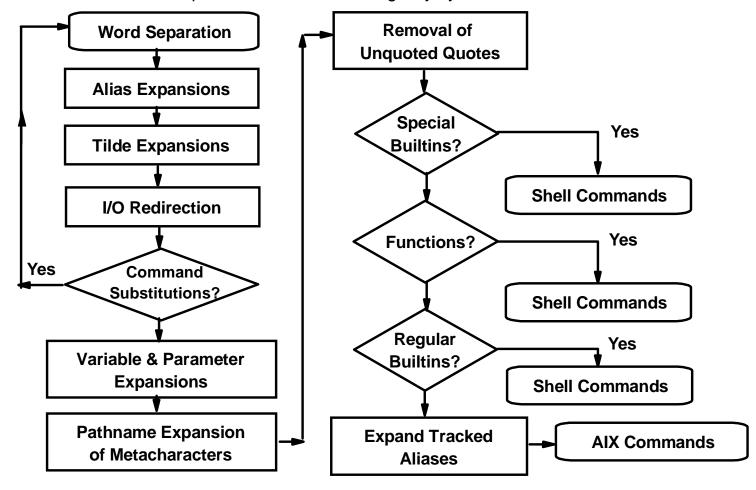
Whence reports how a command will be carried out by the Korn Shell

```
whence -pv command
```

- -v for a verbose report
- -p to force a PATH search even if the command is an alias or function (AIX only option)

## **Command Line Processing**

Each command line is processed in the following way by the Korn Shell:



## **Summary**

- Korn Shell arrays defining and referencing
- Command substitution
- Functions
- Typeset command
- Autoload functions
- Command aliases
- Preset aliases
- Tracked aliases
- The whence command
- Command line processing

# **Unit 8. String Handling**

## **Objectives**

This unit will show how to manipulate text (character) strings using Korn Shell variables:

- Variable replacements
- Variable sub-strings
- Variable lengths
- Further typeset options
- Tilde expansions

# **Variable Replacements**

Value of variables can be replaced with alternate values

<pre>\${variable:-word}</pre>	value is <b>word</b> if <b>variable</b> is unset (use default value)
<pre>\${variable:=word}</pre>	value is <b>word</b> if <b>variable</b> is unset and assigns word to <b>variable</b> if it is unset (assign default value)
<pre>\${variable:+word}</pre>	value is null if <b>variable</b> is unset, else value is <b>word</b> (use alternate value)
<pre>\${variable:?word}</pre>	if <b>variable</b> is unset, <b>word</b> is displayed on standard error and the Shell script or function terminates with a non-zero exit

code (exit 1)

### Variable Replacement Examples

Some simple examples...

• To assign the value of TERM\_DEF to TERM if it is unset or null:

```
TERM_DEF=ibm3162
...
print "TERM set as ${TERM:=$TERM_DEF}"
```

 Print date and time using command substitution, or what was set earlier (do not allow null date):

```
print ${date:-$(date)}
```

Using the alternate value "1" if variable has a value:

```
var_flag=${var:+1}
```

 To exit the script if positional parameter 3 was not given (it can be null):

```
${3?"No parameter 3? exit"}
```

### **Korn Shell Sub-Strings**

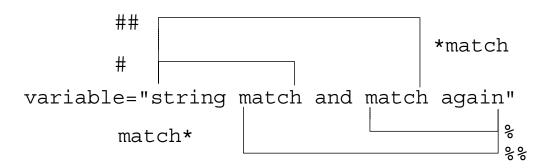
In the Korn Shell the \${ } syntax also works with patterns:

\${variable#pattern}
removes smallest matching left
pattern from variable

\${variable##pattern}
removes the largest matching left
pattern

\${variable%pattern}
removes the smallest right matching
pattern

\${variable%%pattern} removes the largest matching right pattern



# **Korn Shell Sub-String Examples**

A bit of chopping...

```
$ variable="Now is the time"
$ print ${variable#N*i}
                                         shortest left
s the time
$ print ${variable##N*i}
                                        longest left
me
$ print ${variable%time}
                                        shortest right
Now is the
                                        longest right
$ print ${variable%*t*e}
Now is
Here's a function to strip out the file name from its path and print it...
function base
     print ${1##*/}
                            # match what?
```

## **Korn Shell Sub-String Quiz**

Now it's your turn...

- 1. How can I strip the ".c" extension from a C program file name held in variable "name", and print it?
- 2. Write a function "path" to print the pathname part of a file name.

# Variable Lengths

A special Korn Shell variant of the \${} syntax can be used to find the length of a variable:

• to find the number of characters in a variable...

• the number of positional parameters is...

or

• for the number of elements set in an array (not the highest element subscript)...

## typeset Options Review

#### Typeset command used to

- set attributes for variables or functions
- create local variables in functions

- to set attributes, display names and values
- + to unset attributes or display just names

# **Further typeset Options**

Options below allow variables to be formatted upon expansion by the Korn Shell:

typeset ±LN variable=value...

#### where *L* is...

- u convert **value** to uppercase when expanded
- 1 convert value to lowercase
- L left-justify, pad with trailing blanks to width n if value is too big, truncate from the right
- R right-justify, adding leading blanks to width N if wider than N, truncate from the left
- LZ left-justify to width  $\mathbf{N}$  and strip leading zeros
- RZ right-justify to width N, adding lead zeros if the first character is a digit

## typeset Examples

Here are the different types in action...

```
$ typeset -u var=upper
$ print $var
UPPER
$ typeset -l var=LOWER # lower case ell
$ print $var
lower
$ typeset -L6 text=SIDE
$ print "${text}="
SIDE =
$ typeset -R6 text
$ print "=$text"
= SIDE
$ typeset -LZ4 num=000.1234567
$ print ${num}
.123
$ typeset -RZ5 num=1234567
$ print $num
34567
```

### **Tilde Expansions**

Following alias expansion the Korn Shell checks for a leading unquoted ~ character to see if it is:

~ tilde by itself is replaced by \$HOME

~+ is replaced by \$PWD

~- is replaced by \$OLDPWD

~user\_name is expanded into the \$HOME value for the

**user\_name** given

~other text will be left alone

#### Examples...

cd ~ ≡ cd \$HOME

lastdir=~- ≡ lastdir=\$OLDPWD

 $johns=~john \equiv johns=/home/john$ 

### Summary

- Variable replacements
  - for unassigned/null strings
- Variable sub-strings
  - simple pattern matches
- Variable lengths
  - the # "operator"
- Further typeset options
  - justification and padding
- Tilde expansions
  - shortcuts

#### Unit 9. Regular Expressions and Text Selection **Utilities**

### **Objectives**

This unit will show how to select and manipulate text (character) strings using:

- Regular expressions
- The grep command
- The tr command
- The cut command
- The paste command

# **Sample Data File**

To manipulate data, we need to know its format.

The data file we will use in this unit has the following structure:

Lastname, <SPC>Firstname<TAB>nnn-mmmm

\$ cat phone.list

Terrell, Terry	617-7989
Franklin, Francis	704-3876
Patterson, Pat	614-6122
Robinson, Robin	411-3745
Christopher, Chris	305-5981
Martin, Marty	814-5587
Llewellyn, Lynn	316-6221
Jansen, Jan	903-3333
Llewellyn, Lee	817-8823
\$	

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# **Regular Expressions**

Powerful feature available in many programs

Used to **select** text

- vi, ex, emacs, grep/egrep, sed, awk, perl

What are they?

- An expression representing a pattern of characters
- Contain a sequence of characters/metacharacters

# **Regular Expression Metacharacters**

<u>Pattern</u>	Meaning (matches)
aphanumeric character (period)	The character itself (not really a metacharacter) Any single character
[AZ]	One of A or Z
[^AZ]	Any character not A or Z
[A-Z]	Any character in range A to Z
[-AZ]	One of -, A or Z
[0-9]	Any digit 0 to 9

### **Extending the Pattern**

#### Two ways:

- Anchors
- Multipliers

#### Anchors are

- ^ Matches beginning of line
- \$ Matches end of line

#### Multipliers apply to patterns. They are

- \* zero or more occurences of previous pattern
- ? zero or one occurence of previous pattern
- + one or more occurences of previous pattern
- {m,n} at least m and no more than n occurences of previous pattern ("quoted braces")

### **Quoted Braces**

To specify the number of consecutive occurences

To look for two, three or four occurrences of any combination of the characters 3, 4 and 5 consecutively

grep 
$$'[345]\{2,4\}'$$
 phone.list

To look for any lines which have two consecutive "r" characters

grep 
$$r\{2\}'$$
 phone.list

To look for any lines with at least two consecutive "r" characters preceded by an "e"

#### **Quoted Parentheses**

To capture the result of a pattern

**Syntax**: \(regular expression\)

- Stores the character(s) that match the regular expression (within parentheses) in a register
- Nine registers are available; characters which match the first quoted parentheses are stored in register one, those that match the second quoted parentheses in register two, etc.
- To reference a register use a backslash followed by a register number:

\1 to \9

For example, to list any lines in "phone.list" where there are two identical characters together...

grep  $'\(.\)\1'$  phone.list

## **Regular Expressions – Quiz**

Using the "phone.list" file, what RE gives:

- 1. People with five-letter surnames?
- 2. People with first names of at least four characters?
- 3. All entries where the number before the dash is the same as that after the dash e.g. <u>3-3456?</u>
- 4. People whose surnames begin with A, B or C?

### grep Command

 Search file(s) or standard input for lines containing a match for a specific pattern

```
grep [options] pattern [ filel file2 . . . ]
```

- ◆Valid grep metacharacters: . \* ^ \$ [-]
  - . <u>any single</u> character
  - zero or more occurrences of the preceding character
  - ^a any line that begins with "a"
  - z\$ any line that ends with "z"
  - [a-f] any ONE of the characters in the stated range
- Valid options:
  - -c print only a count of matching lines
  - -i ignore the case of letters when making comparisons
  - -l print only the names of the files with matching lines
  - -n number the matching lines
  - -s works silently, displays only error messages
  - -v print lines that do NOT match
  - -w do a whole word search

# grep Examples

#### tr For Translations

The **tr** command translates one set of characters into another:

- characters in LISTIN are replaced by the corresponding ones in LISTOUT
- if LISTOUT contains fewer characters than LISTIN, ignores extra ones from LISTIN
- if LISTOUT contains more characters than LISTIN, ignores extra ones from LISTOUT
- with -d, characters in LISTIN are deleted
- only works with STDIN and STDOUT

### tr Examples

Some simple translations...

```
$ print $HOME | tr "/" "-"
-home-team01
$ print "{ { [ ... ] } }" | tr "{}" "()"
( ( [ ... ] ) )
$ print "Lower to upper" | tr "[a-z]" "[A-Z]"
LOWER TO UPPER
$ print "TOP DOWN" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]'
top down
$ print "vowels and consonants" | tr -d aeiou
vwls nd cnsnnts
$ tr -d '\015' <dos_txt_file >aix_txt_file
$ _
```

#### The cut Command

Cut extracts fields or columns from text input

```
cut -dS -s -flist [ file ]

or

cut -cLIST [ file ]
```

-ds where S is the character to take as a delimiter

-s with -dS suppresses lines that do not contain delimiters

-flist specifies a LIST of fields to cut out and keep

-clist is a LIST of columns to cut (character positions)

**LIST** - specifies field or column numbers

- may contain comma separated values (m,n) or a range (m-n)

# cut Examples

Field numbering starts at 1

```
$ cut -d: -f1,3 /etc/passwd
                                head -3
root:0
daemon:1
bin:2
$ cat
     /etc/passwd | cut -d'*' -s -f1
quest:
$ df | cut -c6-10 | tail +2
hd4
hd2
hd3
hd1
$ text="A tasty dish to set before the King!"
$ echo $text | cut -c-8,32-
A tasty King!
$_
```

### The paste Command

As name suggests, sticks (merges) things together Commonly used to create or format a data stream Default output is line from file1 <TAB> line from file2 Separator(s) may be changed on command line

#### Options:

- -d [dlist] the delimiter between files (may be a list)
- -s make the output a single line of all lines of each file

### paste Examples

Print a 3 column listing of .ksh files:

Format a listing in 3 columns using <TAB> <TAB> <NEWLINE> as delimiters

### Summary

- Understand Regular Expressions
- Using the grep command to select text
- Using the *tr* command to translate characters
- Using the *cut* command to select text fields
- Using the paste command to merge data streams

# Unit 10. Utilities for Personal Productivity

### **Objectives**

This unit will introduce utilities that can improve your personal productivity – sed, tar, at, crontab

- use the stream edit utility sed
- use the archive utility *tar*
- manipulate when your work gets done at and crontab



There are several ways of running sed:

- sed 'edit-instructions' filename
- command | **sed** 'edit-instructions'
- sed -f command.file filename

Note: The input file is not changed or overwritten by sed!

#### **Line Selection**

The **sed** instructions operate on <u>all lines of the input</u>, unless you specify a **SELECTION** of lines:

```
sed 'SELECTION edit-instructions'
```

#### **SELECTION** can be

• a single line number

```
= line 1 of the input

= the last line of the input
```

a range of line numbers

```
5,$ = from line 5 to the end of the input
```

- a regular expression to select lines matching a pattern /string/ = selects all lines containing "string"
- a range using regular expressions

```
/^on/,/off$/ = from the first line beginning with "on" to the first ending in "off"
```

#### The Substitute Instruction

This instruction changes data

**Syntax:** s/old string/new string/g Some examples

1. To replace the first occurrence of "Smith" on each line with "Smythe"

2. To replace all occurrences of "Smith" with "Smythe" using a different delimiter

3. To precede each phone number with "Tel:"

$$\label{eq:sed} \text{sed} \quad \text{'/[0-9]} \ \text{$(3)$-[0-9]} \ \text{$(4)$/$Tel: \&/g' \ $)$}$$
 phone.list

### **Substitutions - Quiz**

1. Convert the "phone.list" into just a name list, i.e. get rid of the phone numbers

2. Convert the "phone.list" file to a first-name and number list

```
output: Terry 617-7989
    Francis 704-3876
    Pat 614-6122
    ...
sed 's/_____//' phone.list
```

### sed with Quoted Parentheses

Repeating the first character

Stripping out all but the first and last characters

Now it's your turn...

Working on the "phone.list" file, abbreviate everyone's first name to an initial and a period (use register 1 to store each initial)

## **Summary for Substitutions**

without a "g", sed only substitutes the first match

```
$ print xxx | sed ' s/x/y/'
yxx
$ print xxx | sed 's/x/y/g'
YYY
$ _
```

- other delimiters can be used when "/" makes life difficult
  - e.g. converting an AIX to a DOS pathname

```
$ pwd | sed 's/\/\/g'
\home\kim\desktop
$ pwd | sed 's;/;\\;g'
\home\kim\desktop
$ _
```

### **Delete and Print**

This command removes text

Syntax: SELECTIONd

To delete all lines in the output stream

```
$ sed d phone.list
```

• Delete from line 5 to the end of the file

```
$ sed '5,$d' phone.list
```

By default **sed** writes out every line it reads in

- makes print instruction "p" by itself redundant:

```
$ cat in.file
line 1
line 2
$ sed p in.file
line 1
line 1
line 2
line 2
$
```

# **Append, Insert and Change**

These instructions add or modify text

Syntax: SELECTIONx\

text

Where x is

i inserts **text** before a single selected line

a appends **text** after a matched line

c changes a range of matched lines into **text**.

SELECTION can be a single line or a range but only one copy of **text** is printed in its place

### **Command Files**

- A sed command file consists of one or more sed instructions on separate lines
- Command files are useful in many situations:
  - storing multiple instructions
  - storing a long complex command
  - for commands which may need to be modified and reused
- Use the "-f" option to use a command file

### Example...

### A Practical Example

Converting a "BookMaster" script to a "wysiwyg" file

```
:ul.
:li.An unordered list starts with ":ul.".
:li.Each list item is tagged with ":li." - it
appears as an indented bullet point.
:li.The end of the list is marked by ":eul."
:eul.
```

#### Strategy:

- 1. Remove lines which contain just ":ul." or ":eul."
- 2. For lines that start with ":li.", substitute the ":li." with a dash followed by five spaces

```
$ cat bkm.wysi.sed
/^:e*ul\.$/d
s/^:li\./- /
$ sed -f bkm.wysi.sed bookmaster.file > wysi.file
$ cat wysi.file
- An unordered list starts with ":ul.".
- Each list item is tagged with ":li," - it
appears as an indented bullet point.
- The end of the list is marked by ":eul."
```

### **Multiple Editing Instructions**

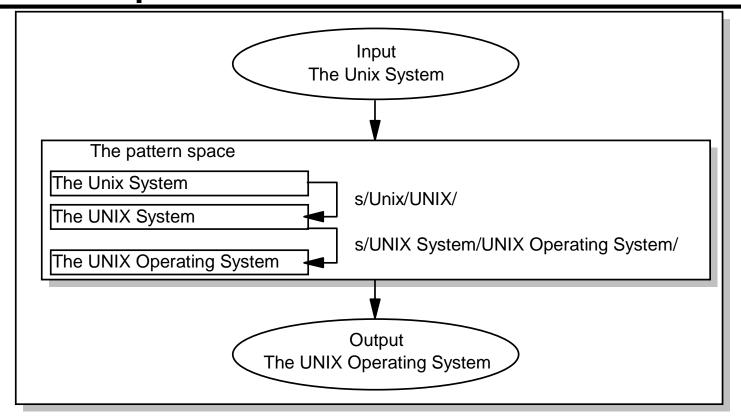
- Multiple instructions can be applied to each line
- Each instruction must be on a separate line

Example 1...

```
$ sed '/[1-4]-/s/$/ (Bldng 1) /
> /[5-9]-/s/$/ (Bldng 2) /' phone.list

Terrell, Terry 617-7989 (Bldng 2)
Franklin, Francis 704-3876 (Bldng 1)
```

# **Internal Operation**



- sed applies all editing instructions to a line before it moves on to the next line
- it holds each input line in a "pattern space" or temporary buffer while editing instructions are applied in sequence

# **Internal Operation – Example**

Example of sed command/instructions

## **Grouping Instructions**

Braces "{" "}" are used for two purposes:

- one SELECTION inside another (nest)
- to apply multiple instructions to the same SELECTION range (group)

Example...

- ◆ The instruction "/^\$/d" (delete blank lines) will be applied to a range of lines between one that contains an ".ol" and up to the first containing an ".eol"
- The special meaning of the dot preceding "ol" and "eol" is escaped by the use of a backslash

## sed Advanced Topics

There are two other areas in sed that can be useful

- multiple input lines for the <u>pattern space</u>
- use of the <u>hold space</u> (temporary area)

There are three instructions for multiline input

- N Read next line
- P Print line
- D Delete line

Notice they are in UPPER CASE

## **Multiple Input Lines - N Instruction**

### The **N** instruction

- does <u>NOT</u> clear pattern space
- inserts an (embedded) newline ("\n") into the pattern space
- reads a line and appends to the pattern space

### Similar to **n** instruction

BUT n clears pattern first

An embedded newline ("\n") can be matched explicitly ^ and \$ refer to the FIRST and LAST character respectively of the pattern space

### The P and D Instructions

These also do not clear the pattern space

P prints the pattern space up to the first embedded newline

D deletes the text up to the first embedded newline

- no new input (contrast to the d instruction)
- processing of pattern space continues from top of script

# **Multiline Pattern Spaces – Example**

```
$ sed '/Adams/{
>
> s/.-[0-9]*/censored/g
> }' phone.list
Smith, Terry
                             7-7989
Adams, Fran
                             censored
StClair, Pat
                             censored
Brown, Robin
                             1 - 3745
Stair, Chris
                             5-5972
Benson, Sam
                             4-5587
Harris, Ford
                             6-6221
Phiri, Ray
                             3-3333
Llewellyn, Nia
                             7-8823
```

### The Hold Space

This is a set-aside or copy buffer
Hold space cannot be directly changed (edited)
It is a temporary storage area

There are three instructions available

- h or H copy or append contents of pattern to hold space (HOLD)
- g or G copy or append contents of hold to pattern space (GET)
- x swap pattern and hold space (EXCHANGE)

### An example

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## The tar Utility

This is an archive/backup command Historically used tape but now any device

default to /dev/rmt0

Syntax: tar options pathname(s)

### tar Options

Options are of two types

- required
- optional

Should be specified using a leading hyphen

Required options are one of

- c create an archive
- x extract file(s) from archive
- t list (tell) what is in archive

Other (optional) options are

- f used to specify other than default device
- v verbose (usually with t or x)
- m restore/keep modification times

### tar Pathnames

tar takes a pathname as one of its parameters

Full pathnames mean that restores (extracts) will be to original directory

Relative pathnames mean that restores may be to any part of filesystem

tar may be used to do recursive copies of data from one directory to another

```
$ cd fromdir; tar cf - . | (cd todir;\
>tar xf -)
```

# Working in Absentia

You can submit jobs for execution later

AIX provides two useful utilities

- at
- crontab

Access to these facilities is controlled by the system administrator

### The at command

at submits a set of commands (a job) for later execution

Syntax: at [-r|-1] time

Commands are read from stdin

time can be specified as absolute or relative

• the time may include a date

Options include

- -1 list your at jobs
- -r remove your at job(s)

at uses mail to send the stdin and stderr output (unless redirected)

System administrator determines who may use at

# at Usage and Examples

Here are some examples (commands excluded)

```
at 2100
```

at 10pm

at 4am

at 9am tomorrow

at 10:30 Jul 3

at now + 2 hours

at now + 2 days

at now + 1 year

### **The crontab Command**

This command is like at but for regular "jobs"

The commands executed are in job-file (or from stdin)
The options allow you to edit, list or remove your crontab
file

System administrator determines who may use cron

cron will mail the output of the command to crontab owner

### crontab File Format

cron needs crontab files in a particular format Each line has time(s)/date(s) and the command to run

Format of each line is a set of fields

- minute (0-59)
- hour (0-23)
- day (1-31)
- month (1-12)
- day of week (0-6, 0 = Sunday)

Each of the first five fields may be

- a number
- a comma separated number list (1,3,4,13)
- a range (4-9)
- an asterisk (\*)

Sixth field contains the command(s) executed (a % means a newline)

### crontab Examples

Here are some possible crontab file entries/lines

```
# Run command at 0900 and 1200 Mon-Fri
15 9,12 * * 1-5 /home/sa/games_off
# Do some backups at 0200 Tue-Sat
0 2 * * 2,3,4,5,6 /home/sa/backup daily
# What does this one do?
13 5 * * 0 find $HOME -name ,\* -exec rm -f {} \;
```

# **Summary**

- Use of sed to automate repetitive editing tasks
- Archiving using tar
- Batching commands for later execution:
  - One off using at
  - Regular or repeated using crontab

# Unit 11. The AWK Program

## **Objectives**

This unit will show you how to use the awk utility by looking at:

- Regular expressions in awk
- Basic awk programming
- BEGIN and END processing
- Flow control if, while, and for
- Leaving loops continue, next and exit
- Awk arrays
- Better printing
- Awk functions

### What Is Awk?

- Awk is a programming language used to manipulate text
- Awk sees data as words (fields) in a line (record)
- An awk command consists of a pattern and an action comprising one or more statements

```
awk '/pattern/ { action }' file ...
```

- Awk tests every record in the specified file(s) for a
   pattern match. If a match is found, the specified action is
   performed
- Awk can act as a filter in a pipeline or take input from the keyboard (standard input) if no file(s) are specified

# Sample Data – awk

Lastname, <SPC>Firstname<TAB>nnn-mmmm

\$ cat phone.list

Terrell, Terry	617-7989
Franklin, Francis	704-3876
Patterson, Pat	614-6122
Robinson, Robin	411-3745
Christopher, Chris	305-5981
Martin, Marty	814-5587
Llewellyn, Lynn	316-6221
Jansen, Jan	903-3333
Llewellyn, Lee	817-8823
\$_	

The same file as in the RE and sed units

## awk Regular Expressions

- ◆ Like sed, regular expressions are "/" delimited "/x/"
- All of the previous regular expression metacharacters can be used with awk

Awk has the following extensions

```
/x+/ for one or more occurrences of x /x?/ zero or one occurrence of x /x|y/ matches either "x" or "y" (string) groups a string – for use with + or ?
```

Example:

matches: tiny, tony, toni, toney, tone (and others...)

# awk Command Syntax

Basic syntax

```
pattern { actions }
pattern
{ actions }
```

- Multiple statements in an action
  - use a line break or a semi-colon

```
$ awk '/Ll/ { print $1 ; print $3 }'\
> phone.list
```

Comments start with a # until the end of a line

```
$ awk '/Ll/ { print $1 # prints field 1
> print $3 }' phone.list
```

## The print Statement

One useful action is to print the data!

```
awk '/pattern/ { print }' ifile > ofile
```

- awk tests each **record** of the input for the specified pattern
- When a match is found the **print** statement sends the entire **record** to standard output

### awk Fields and Records

Referencing fields in a record

```
$0 = the entire record
$1 = the first field in the record
$2 = the second field in the record
```

To print the first two fields in records beginning with "LI"

```
$ awk '/^Ll/ {print "Name:", $2, $1 }' \
> phone.list
Name: Lynn Llewellyn,
Name: Lee Llewellyn,
$ _
```

### print Examples

 Special character sequences are available for use in print strings or regular expressions

```
\n newline
\t tab
\r carriage return

$ awk '/^Ll/ { print "Name:\t", $1
> print "Number:\t", $3, "\n" }' phone.list
Name: Llewellyn,
Number: 316-6221

Name: Llewellyn,
Number: 817-8823

$ __
```

### **Comparison Operators and Examples**

To compare regular expressions or strings with values:

### Examples

```
1 \sim /x field one matches regular expression x
```

```
$1 !~ "No" field one doesn't match string "No"
```

You can use comparison operators in the *pattern* to select records

```
$ awk '$1 == "Terrell," { print $2, "Smythe" }' phone.list
Terry Smythe
$
```

## **Arithmetic Operators**

You can use the following operators to perform arithmetic:

```
addition
+
                   subtraction
                   multiplication
                   division
                   remainder
                   exponential (x^y, raise x to the
                   power y)
                   pre and post increment
          X++
++X
                   pre and post decrement
          X--
--X
                   assignment (x = 4)
=
                   x = x op y
x op = y
                   for: +=, -=, *=, /=, %=
```

### Example

```
count = count + 2
num *= 8
```

### **User Variables and Expressions**

You can define your own variables:

- Names must:
  - start with a letter or underscore
  - be followed by letters, underscores or digits
- Awk does not require variables to be defined before use

Variables are initialized as empty (numerically zero)

The empty string is null ("")

Reference by name only

### **BEGIN** and **END** Processing

You have seen the **pattern** and **action** awk syntax You can also have actions at the beginning and end of input You use the special patterns BEGIN and END

```
awk 'BEGIN { begin_action }
   pattern { action }
   pattern { action }
   END { end action }' file...
```

#### Where

BEGIN means execute the begin\_action before any input read

END means execute end\_action once all input has been read

### **BEGIN** without END Example

You can use **BEGIN** to print a header to the output...

- Here we have a BEGIN with no END
- The statements within the second set of braces were performed on every line of "phone.list" as no pattern was specified

### **END** without **BEGIN** Example

You can use **END** to print a trailer after the output

```
$ awk '{ wcount = wcount + NF }
> END { print "Words: ", wcount }' phone.list
Words: 27
$ _
```

- The statement within the first set of braces refers to the main action
- The main action is performed on every line of the file "phone.list", so the final value of wcount holds the total number of fields (or words) in the file
- At the end of the input END actions are processed
- This prints the heading "Words:" with the total word count

### **Built-In Variables**

Awk provides a number of useful built-in variables:

<b>FILENAME</b> the name of th	e current <b>file</b>
--------------------------------	-----------------------

**NF** total number of **fields** in the current record

NR number of **records** encountered

**FS input field separator** (the default is space or tab)

RS input record separator (default is newline)

**OFS output field separator** (default is space)

ORS output record separator (default is newline)

# **Built-In Variables Examples - 1**

# **Built-In Variable Examples - 2**

```
$ cat authors
                     FIELD 1
R.S. Davis
                     FIELD 2
Augusta, GA 30809
                     FIELD 3
770-835-3788
                     RECORD SEPARATOR
F.W. Moran
Gaithersburg, MD 20879
301-240-8068
C.T. Todd
Atlanta, GA 30339
770-835-3523
\ awk 'BEGIN { FS="\n"; RS="\n\n"; OFS="\n"; ORS="\n\n"}
> { print $1, $3
> } ' authors
```

### if - else if - else Statement

```
awk '{
    if (first logical test) {
        action if test true
    }
    else if (second logical test) {
        action if first test false and
        second test true
    }
    else {
        action if both tests false
    }
}' file
```

# The while Loop

```
awk
     while
           (condition)
                action
       ' file
Example
awk
     i = 1
     while (i \ll 4)
              print $i
                ++i
```

### The for Loop

```
awk '{
    for (initialise; test; increment) {
        action
    }
} ' file
```

Examples...

to read and print each field of the current input line

• to print from the last field to the first of the current line

```
for (i=NF; i>=1; i--)
    print $i
```

### The continue and next Statements

The **continue** statement stops the current innermost loop iteration and starts the next one:

```
awk '{
    y = 42
    for (x=1; x<=NF; x++) {
        if (y!=$x)
        {
            continue
        }
        print x, $x
    }
}' file</pre>
```

The **next** statement causes the next **record** to be read in, and the program to start from the first **pattern** { **action** } block again:

```
awk 'BEGIN { action }

    pattern {
        action
        action
        next
        action
}

END { action }' file
```

### The exit Statement

The **exit** statement jumps to any **END** processing – or out of the program if already in the **END** section. An exit code can be passed back to the Shell:

### **Arrays**

- Awk allows array variables
- An array is a variable with an index
- An index is an expression in brackets
  - for example, array[ 10 ]
- Awk arrays are "associative"
  - index can be a string or number
  - no implicit order
  - to access all elements, use the in operator
    for ( var in array\_name )

Be aware that all array indices are internally strings

### printf for Formatted Printing

- One use of awk is as a report generator
- Better printing formats required
  - use printf
- printf syntax: printf ( fmt [, args] )
- Parentheses are optional
- fmt is usually a string constant with format specifications
- Specifiers are like the C language printf
- Format specification: %<char>

```
%s string
%d decimal integer
%f,%e floating point (fixed or exponent notation)
%o unsigned octal
%% literal percent
```

### printf Formats

Format specification strings can use modifiers

```
%-width.precision
```

- If width used, contents are right justified
- use (minus/hyphen) after % to <u>left</u> justify
- precision controls
  - 1. number of digits to right of decimal point for numeric values
  - 2. maximum number of characters to print for string values
- To print Hello within #'s right justified in 10 character field printf ("#%10s#\n", "Hello")
- To print a number left justified with minimum 3 characters
   printf ("%.3d\n", \$1)

### **Functions in Awk**

- There are four types of functions
- Three types are built-in to awk
  - general
  - arithmetic
  - string
- The fourth type is a user defined function
- General functions include
  - close
  - system
  - getline

### **Built-In Arithmetic Functions**

### Functions available include

atan2(y,x) arctangent of y/x in range  $-\pi$  to  $+\pi$ 

cos(x) cosine of x (x in radians)

sin(x) sine of x

exp(x) e to the power x

log(x) natural log of x

sqrt(x) square root of x

int(x) truncated value of x

rand() pseudo-random number r, 0≤r≤1

### **Built-In String Functions**

### Functions available include

length(s) length of string s or of \$0 if s not supplied

index(s,t) position of substring t in s or zero if not

present

match(s,r) position in s of where RE r begins or zero

sub(r,s,t), gsub(r,s,t) substitutes for r in t, returns 1 for OK

uses \$0 if t not supplied (gsub does all

matches)

split(s,a,sep) parses s into array a elements using field

separator sep (use RS if not supplied)

Set by match()

RSTART start of the match (same as the return

value)

RLENGTH length of the matching sub-string

### **Summary**

- Regular expressions in awk
- Basic awk programming
- BEGIN and END processing
- Flow control if, while, and for
- Leaving loops continue, next and exit
- Awk arrays
- Better printing
- Awk functions

# Unit 12. Putting It All Together

# **Objectives**

In this unit we will see:

- Shell script uses in AIX
- Program headers
- Program structure
- Selected syntax examples

# Korn Shell Scripts in AIX 4.3

/usr/sbin automount chC2admin chvg dhcpaction dtappintegrate fbcheck IsC2admin mkC2admin mktcpip rc.bootx rmC2admin slipcall syncvg updatevg	bosboot chlv chwebconfig dhcpaction8 exportvg importvg lsjfs mkinsttape mkvg redefinevg rmlv snap tapechk varyoffvg	cfgmir chlvcopy clvm_cfg dhcpremove extendlv index_config.sh migratepv mklv piofontin reducevg rmlvcopy splitlvcopy unmirrorvg which_fileset	cfgvg chpv cplv dhcpremove8 extendvg index_unconfig.sh mirrorvg mklvcopy piomisc_base reorgvg shutdown synclvodm updatelv
/usr/bin bf chtz mksysb pmd subj	bfrpt defaultbrowser mkszfile restvg vgrind	chdoclang ibm3812 ndx smit	chlang mkpmhlv oslevel spellin
/etc rc rc.dt slip.logout	rc.C2 rc.net	rc.bsdnet rc.net.serial	rc.dacinet rc.powerfail

# **Shell Script Uses in AIX 4.3**

Shell Scripts also make up part of the AIX operating system:

Start-up and shutdown...

• rc.\* multi-user start-up programs

bosboot configures and creates a device boot image

mktcpip sets required values for starting TCP/IP

• shutdown used to shutdown the system before power-off, or to enter maintenance mode

Documentation...

• snap documentation for your system

### **Program Headers**

```
#!/bin/ksh
#@(#)54
             1.45 src/tcpip/usr/sbin/mktcpip/mktcpip, tcpip, tcpip43D, 9808A 43D 2/20/98
17:59:51
#COMPONENT NAME: (TCPIP)
#FUNCTIONS: mktcpip.sh
#ORIGINS: 27
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##[End of PROLOG]
#FILE NAME: mktcpip
#FILE DESCRIPTION: High-level shell command for performing minimal
# configuration required to get a maching up and running TCP/IP.
#Basic functions performed are:
# 1) the hostname is set both in the config database and in running machine
# 2) the IP address of the interface is set in the config database
# 3) /etc/hosts entries made for hostname and IP address
# 4) the IP address of teh nameserver and domain name are set
# 5) the subnet mask is set
# 6) destination and gateway routes are set
# 7) TCP/IP deamons started
# 8) Retrieve the above information for SMIT display
# 9) the cable type (bnc, dix or tp) is set in database
# See Usage message for explanation of parms
#RETURN VALUE DESCRIPTION
        0
                  Successful
         non-zero Unsuccessful
#EXTERNAL PROCEDURES CALLED: chdev, hostname, hostsent, lsdev
                               mkdev, netstat, namersly, /etc/rc.tcpi, route
```

# **Program Headers (Cont.)**

```
#!/bin/ksh
#/usr/sbin/mktcpip
PATH=/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/sbin:/etc:/usr/ucb export PATH
NAME=$0
#Parse command flags arguments
set -- 'getopt h:a:i:n:d:m:g:t:r:sc:D:S: $*`
if [ $? != 0 ]; then #test for syntax error
                     #issue msq and don't return
 usaqe
fi
if [$# -lt 3]; then #test for too few parms
HOSTNAME= IPADDRESS= INTERFACE= NAMESERVER= DOMAIN= SUBNETMASK=
DESTINATION= GATEWAY= STARTTCP= SHOW= TYPE= DESTADDR= SUBCHANNEL=
RING=
while [ "$1" != "--" ]
do
   case $1 in
      -h) unset HOSTNAME
         HOSTNAME=$2 shift 2;;
```

# **Program Structure**

```
/usr/sbin/snap
#-----MATN------
trap intr action 2
# Save off current umask and set it to 077.
UMASKSAVE=`umask`
umask 077
set -- getopt AaDd:flgGklcnNo:prv:sStXib $*
if [ "$?" != 0 ]
then
  usaqe
  exit 1
userid= id -ru
if [ "$userid" != 0 ]
  echo "Must be root user [0] to use this utility"
  exit 2
fi
while [ "$1" != -- ]
  case $1 in
           doasync=y
                           #Gather async (tty) information
     -A)
        action=y
        shift;;
           doall=y
                           #Gather all information
       dopred=y
        dosec=y
        action=y
        shift;;
           destdir=$2
                           #Directory to put information
        valid dir $destdir
        shift; shift;;
```

Rather than wade through very long programs, here we have some selected interesting bits of syntax

rc.net: using exec & re-direction...

```
# Close file descriptor 1 and 2 because the parent may be
# waiting for the file desc. 1 and 2 to be closed.
                                                     The reason
# is that this shell script may spawn a child which inherits
# all the file descriptors from the parent and the child
# process may still be running after this process is
# terminated. The file desc. 1 and 2 are not closed and leave
# the parent hanging waiting for those desc. to be finished.
LOGFILE=/tmp/rc.net.out
                            # LOGFILE is where all stdout goes.
                            # truncated LOGFILE.
>$LOGFILE
                            # close descriptor 1
exec 1<&-
                            # close descriptor 2
exec 2<&-
exec 1</dev/null</pre>
                            # open descriptor 1
                            # open descriptor 2
exec 2</dev/null</pre>
```

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```
#!/bin/ksh
#/usr/sbin/snap
...

TMPDIR=${TMPDIR:-$HOME/tmp}
[[ ! -d $TMPDIR ]] && TMPDIR=/tmp
TMPDIR=$TMPDIR/${0##/}.$$

mkdir $TMPDIR || {
   print -u2 "${0##*/}: Could not create temporary files"
   exit 1
}
trap "/bin/rm -rf $TMPDIR 2>/dev/null" EXIT INT TERM QUIT HUP

tdumpf=$TMPDIR/tmpfile.$$
...
```

```
/usr/sbin/snap
. . .
#Now proceed to call the associated functions for real
#This is pass 2 on state functions
passno-2
for i in $state
  state func${i}
done
#Set the umask back to the original value
umask $UMASKSAVE
shutdown sed & awk example...
# NAME: tabmnt
# FUNCTION: collect the mount information and force every field
# to be separated by a tab, so that awk can look at the
# different fields.
tabmnt()
                    awk '{ line[i] = "-"$0; i++; }
mount 2>/dev/null |
                    END { while ( i >= 4 ) {
                         i--; print line[i]; }
                        }' - >/tmp/mount.a
tab /tmp/mount.a
# remove extra tabs and blanks
  sed "/ /s//
                     /g" /tmp/mount.a \
                                /s//
    sed "/
                                           /g" \
    sed "/
                                /s//
                                           /g" \
    sed "/
                     /s//
                                /q" >/tmp/mount.t
rm -f /tmp/mount.a 2>/dev/null
```

```
#!/usr/bin/ksh
# /usr/sbin/cfgmir
 #keep getting parent device until parent device is a bus
 #device or sio device
 print $PARENT MON | egrep "bus|sio" > /dev/null 2>&1
 done = "$?"
 #wait (with timeout) the end of portmir
 for i in 1 2 3 4 5 6
 do
   if ps -ef | grep portmir | grep -v grep >/dev/null
   then
     sleep 1
   else
     break
   fi
 done
```

# **Summary**

- Shell Script uses in AIX
- Program headers
- Program structure
- Selected syntax examples

### **Unit 13. Good Practices and Review**

### **Objectives**

To write any serious script we need to:

- -plan the activity
- -produce "good code"

In this unit:

- Planning and design
- Documentation
- Debugging
- Performance issues
- Guidelines for scripting
- Course summary

### **Planning and Design**

As well as your favorite design methodology (Flow Charts, Data-Flow, SSADM, etc.) consider:

- functionality clearly defined specification
- modular design use of functions, separate programs
- environment variables, directories
- file naming convention for temporary files, results
- testing individual units, integration tests, boundary conditions
- debugging code do not forget the next maintainer

### **Use of Comments**

A good programmer uses comments in a program to:

- Explain the purpose and function of the code at key points
- Describe the use of variables
- Explain complicated syntax
- Give yourself the credit (or the blame) for your work
- Mark corrections or additions

Remember to update the comments with the code

# **Commenting Out**

Lines can be commented out using the # comment character:

```
# command arg1 arg2
```

- no Shell interpretation is performed to the right of #
- legal anywhere, except as the only statement in a flow-control construction (if, while, until)

The "null" command can be used where commenting out would not work:

- command arg1 arg2
- arguments are ignored, but processed as usual
- always returns 0 (true)

### **Script Layout**

Some things must be done in a certain order other things can be arranged for "good code":

- Shell control line (first in script) #!/usr/bin/ksh
- Header comments
- Validation of options
- Testing of arguments
- Initialization of variables
- Function definitions
- Main code

### **Debugging Code**

Korn Shell options can help with syntax checking:

to check the syntax of a Shell Script without running it

```
set -o noexec Or set -n
```

for the Shell to print its input as it reads it

```
set -o verbose or set -v
```

 an execution trace displays each command <u>before</u> it is run and <u>after</u> command line processing

```
set -o xtrace Or set -x
```

• for functions, use

```
typeset -ft function ...
```

### **DEBUG Traps**

After each simple command the Korn Shell issues the fake signals

- DEBUG
- ERR
- EXIT

The order is DEBUG, ERR, then any other traps, and lastly EXIT

To display the environment after each command set this trap

When a command has a non-zero exit status, the Korn Shell sends the **ERR** signal

For example, to see what signals are causing error exits set this trap trap "kill -1 \$?" ERR

# **Maintaining Code**

Documentation: design and comments Clarity

- Code
- Documentation

Modularity

- Main script
- Use "good" functions or separate programs

#### **Good Functions**

To write functions that are reliable and easy to maintain:

- avoid altering global variables inside a function
- define and export functions only when necessary
- do not change the working directory inside a function (why?)
- tidy up local temporary files

# **Performance Issues for Shell Scripts**

If performance is an issue

- Do not guess
- Measure!

Performance of a script means two areas:

- that of the Korn Shell
- that of the script

Remember that you should work in this order

- Get the functionality working
- Make it robust
- If you have to, make it more efficient/faster

## **Timing Commands**

To report the elapsed, user and system time for a command or pipeline, use **time** in the KornShell:

- a Korn Shell reserved word (not a command)
- time output is to standard error
- input or output redirection applies to the command(s) under test only
- return value is that of the command(s) under test

#### **Times for Shells**

The **times** command displays how much time your current Shell and all its Sub-Shells have consumed:

```
$ times
0m0.99s 0m15.37s
0m8.61s 0m33.21s
```

- user and system timings given in hundredths of a second
- first line for the current Shell
- second line for the Sub-Shells

#### **Korn Shell Performance**

To increase the startup speed of a new Shell:

- keep your history file (.sh\_history) small
- minimize the size of any \$ENV file
- use autoload with your functions
- use FPATH with your functions
- set -o nolog to prevent function definitions being logged in your history
- use "tracked aliases"
- try to use an alias in place of a simple function
- set *MAILCHECK* greater than the 600 second default

## **Korn Shell Script Performance**

Tips for faster performance Shell Scripts:

- Shell built-in commands run faster than AIX ones
- Avoid command substitution where you can use \${ }
   parameter expansions, *let* or pattern matching
- Note \$(< file) is faster than \$(cat file)
- Use multiple arguments rather than separate commands e.g. typeset -i a=3 b=4
- Use set -f or set -o noglob if not using pathname metacharacters
- Use { } grouping that is faster than ( )
- Apply I/O re-directions to the whole of a loop syntax
- Set the *integer* attribute for suitable variables and don't use \$
  for them with arithmetic expressions

#### **Good Rules To Follow**

- 1. Documentation
- 2. Make Backups
- 3. Try three times
- 4. Don't overlook the obvious
- 5. Try it, it might work
- 6. Never say never, always avoid always
- 7. There's usually another way to do it

# **Course Summary**

Basic concepts
Shell variables and parameters
Exit status, return codes and traps
Progamming constructs – control flow
Shell commands and features
Arithmetic in Shell
Shell types and functions

# **Course Summary (Cont.)**

More Shell variables
Regular expressions and text selection
Personal productivity – sed, crontab/at, tar
Using awk
Shell scripts in practice
Summary – good practice, debugging,
performance

## **Summary**

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