

CSCI 315: Data Structures

Shell Scripting

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- Shell script is just like batch file in MS-DOS
- Useful to create our own commands
- Can save our lots of time
- Automate some of daily tasks

- Before Starting Linux Shell Script Programming you must know:
 - Kernel
 - Shell
 - Process
 - Redirectors, Pipes, Filters etc

Kernel

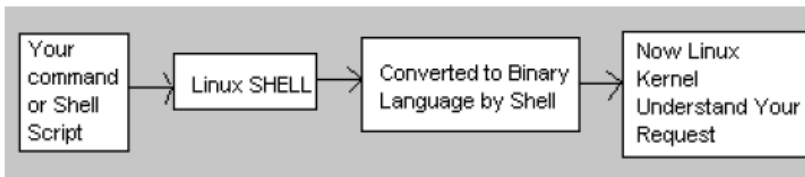
- Kernel is the heart of Linux OS
 - It manages resource of Linux OS
 - print data on printer
 - memory, file management
- Kernel decides who will use this resource, for how long and when.

Linux Shell

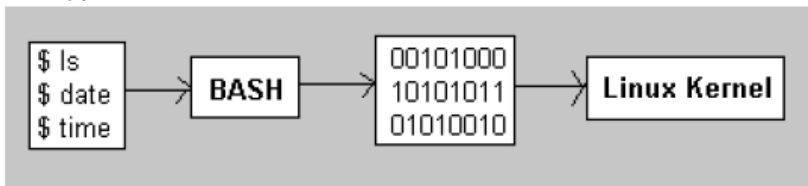
- Computer understands the language of 0's and 1's called binary language
 - Difficult for us to read and write
- In the OS there is a special program called Shell
- Shell accepts your instruction or commands in English and translate it into computers native binary language

Linux Shell

- This is what the shell does for us



- You type the command and shell converts it



- Shell is a command language interpreter
- Popular shells
 - SH : Original shell
 - BSH : Bourne SHell
 - BASH : Bourne Again SHell (Ha!)
 - CSH : Similar to C programming language.
 - TCSH : Turbo C Shell
 - KSH : Korn SHell

- To find your shell type following command
 - echo \$SHELL
- Known shells on your system
 - cat /etc/shells
- Your default shell is defined in /etc/passwd
 - How do you display the content of passwd?

Process

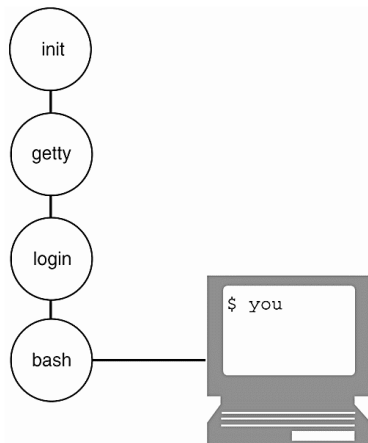
- Process is any kind of program or task carried out by your PC.
- A process is a program to perform some job.
- In Linux when you start process, it gets a number, called PID or process-id
- In Linux, the PID is in range 0 to 65535.

Why Processes?

- Linux is a multi-user, multitasking OS
- You can run more than two processes simultaneously if you wish.
- An instance of running command is called a process
- Each process has a process-id (PID)

Login Procedure

- The first process to run is called init, PID #1
- It spawns a getty process
- The /bin/login program is then executed
- After user inputs login/password, your shell (bash) is loaded



Login Procedure

- The bash process looks for the system file, /etc/profile, and executes its commands
- It then looks in the user's home directory for an initialization file called .bash_profile
- Then it will execute a command for the user's ENV file, usually called .bashrc
- Finally the default prompt, dollar sign (\$) (unless you have changed the default), appears on your screen and the shell waits for commands.

The Environment

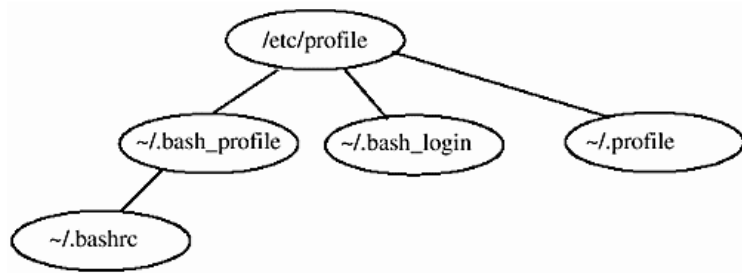
- The environment of a process consists of
 - variables
 - open files
 - working directory
 - functions
 - resource limits
 - ...
- The configuration for the user's shell is defined in the shell initialization files

Initialization Files

- The bash shell has a number of startup files that are sourced
- Sourcing a file causes all settings in the file to become part of the current shell
- The initialization files are sourced depending on whether the shell is a login shell, an interactive shell, or a non-interactive shell (a shell script)
- Some files may be empty

Initialization Files

- When you log on, before the shell prompt appears, `/etc/profile` is sourced
- It is a system wide initialization file
- Next, if it exists, the `~/.bash_profile` in the user's home directory is sourced



Variables

- In Linux, there are two types of variables
 - System variables
 - Created and controlled by system
 - Defined in CAPITAL LETTERS
 - User defined variables (UDV)
 - Created and maintained by user.
 - Defined in lower case letters
- The capitalization isn't really enforced, just good practice

System Variables

- To see system variables, type
env
- BASH - Shell name
- BASH_VERSION - shell version name
- COLUMNS - No. of columns for screen
- HOME - home directory
- LINES - No. of lines for screen
- PS1 - Prompt setting 1
- PWD - Current working directory

User Variables

- To define UDV use following syntax
 - Syntax: variablename=value
 - no=10
 - 10=no
 - To define variable called 'vech' having value Bus
 - vech=Bus
 - To define variable called n having value 10
 - n=10
- This is all very shell specific
- sh,csh, etc. have their own syntax

Variable Naming Rules

- Variable name must begin with Alphanumeric character or underscore character (`_`), followed by one or more Alphanumeric character (same as C++ variable names)
- Don't put spaces on either side of the equal sign when assigning value to variable.
- `no=10`
- `no =10`
- `no= 10`

Variable Naming Rules

- Variables are case-sensitive, just like filename in Linux.
 - no=10
 - No=11
 - NO=20
 - nO=2
 - Type echo \$variablename to see the differences
- \$ is used to get the value of a variable
 - No is just a word, \$No is the value of the variable No

Variable Naming Rules

- You can define NULL variable as follows
- `vech=`
- `vech=""`
- NULL is basically the empty string
- `vech` with value NULL is different from not having variable `vech` defined at all
- Type `echo $vech` to print it's value
- Do not use `?`, `*` etc, in your variable names.

Arithmetic Operations

- Syntax: `expr op1 operator op2`
- `op1` and `op2` are any Integer Number
- operator
 - `+`, `-`, `/`, `%(modular)`, `*` Multiplication
- `expr 6 + 3` will work
- `expr 6+3` will not work!!
 - Space between number and OP is required!!
- Why? Think about filenames

Permissions

- Files have permissions in Unix
 - First 10 chars in `ls -l` output
- 3 Types of perms: Read, Write, eXecute
- 3 types affected: User, Group, Other
- `chmod` (change mode) used to change permissions
- Two ways of using `chmod`: absolute and relative

chmod

- Relative: chmod changes files
 - chmod u+r files add read perms for users
 - chmod go-wx files remove write and execute perms from group and other (no error if group and other didn't have w and x before)
- Absolute: chmod 3-digit-code files
 - Consider read, write, execute as bits in binary number. 3 digits total for user, group, and other.
 - chmod 751 files
 - $7 = 4 + 2 + 1$ r & w & x for user
 - $5 = 4 + 1$ which means r & x for group,
 - $1 = x$ for other
 - I prefer absolute, no question as to result
 - Either is acceptable for HW/exams

How To Write a Shell Script

- The First Line
- The first column of the first line of the script will indicate the program that will be executing the code in the script.
#!/bin/bash
- The #! is called a magic number and is used by the kernel to identify the program that should be interpreting the code in the script.
- The #! is pronounced shebang.
- Etymology:
 - ! has always been shorten to bang.
 - Probably came from SHarp Bang, haSH Bang, or SHEll Bang
- This line must be line 1 of your script.
- No spaces before #

Write a Shell Script

- \$ cat > first
#!/bin/bash
My first shell script

clear
echo "Knowledge is Power"
Press Ctrl + D to finish typing and save.
- # indicates a comment, like // in C/C++

Executing A Script

- Try first
- Didn't work? Why? Path
- OK, now try
- ./first
- But that didn't work, why? Permissions (90+% of problem in Linux.)
- Type
- chmod +x first
- ./first

Qoutes

Double Quotes " — Anything enclosed in double quotes removed meaning of those characters (except \ and \$).

'Single quotes' — Enclosed in single quotes remains unchanged.

'Back quote' — To execute command.

' allows commands within strings

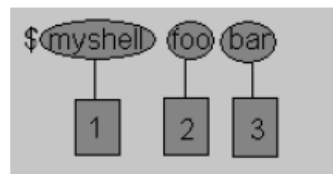
Remember: \$ is how you access the value of a variable!

Practice

```
date="August 31, 1976"
echo "Today is date"
echo "Today is $date"
echo 'Today is $date'
echo "Today is 'date'"
echo "expr 6 + 3"
echo 'expr 6 + 3'
```

Command Line Arguments

\$ myshell foo bar



1

Shell Script name i.e. myshell

2

First command line argument passed to myshell i.e. foo

3

Second command line argument passed to myshell i.e. bar

Command Line Arguments

- In the shell, if we want to refer to the command line arguments
- myshell is \$0
- f00 is \$1
- bar is \$2 (etc.)
- Number of arguments in a command line
- \$# (useful for loops and error checks)
- All of command line arguments
- \$* (useful for passing on to other commands)

Practice

```
$ cat > demo
#!/bin/bash
#
# Script that demos, command line args
#
echo "Total number of command line argument are $#"
```

```
echo "$0 is script name"
```

```
echo "$1 is first argument"
```

```
echo "$2 is second argument"
```

```
echo "All of them are :- $*"
```


Now Run

./demo Hello World

Exit Status

- In Linux when a command is executed, it returns a value called the exit status
- return value is zero (0), command was successful,
- return value is nonzero (>0), command was not successful
- To determine this exit status we use the \$? variable of shell (? For what just happened).
- (Windows has a similar concept called error levels)

Exit Status Practice

- `expr 1 + 3`
- `echo $?`
- `echo Welcome`
- `echo $?`
- `wildwest canwork?`
- `echo $?`
- `date`
- `echo $?`
- `echon $?`
- `echo $?`

The read Statement

- Use to get input from keyboard and store them to variable.
- Syntax: read variable1 variable2 variableN
- Create the following script

```
cat > sayH
#!/bin/bash
#Script to read your name from key-board
#
echo "Your first name please:"
read fname
echo "Hello $fname, Lets be friend!"
```

Parameters for read

- read answer
 - Reads a line from standard input and assigns it to the variable answer.
- read first last
 - Reads a line from standard input to the first whitespace or newline, putting the first word typed into the variable first and the rest of the line into the variable last.
- read
 - Reads a line from standard input and assigns it to the built-in variable, REPLY.

Parameters for read

- `read -a arrayname`
 - Reads a list of words into an array called `arrayname` (just FYI).
- `read -e`
 - Used in interactive shells with command line editing in effect; e.g., if editor is `vi`, `vi` commands can be used on the input line.
- `read -p prompt`
 - Prints a prompt, waits for input, and stores input in `REPLY` variable.
- `read -r line`
 - Allows the input to contain a backslash.

read Example

```
#!/bin/bash
# Scriptname: nosy
echo -e "Are you happy?"
read answer
echo "$answer is the right response."
echo -e "What is your full name?"
read first middle last
echo "Hello $first"
echo -n "Where do you work?"
read
echo "I guess $REPLY keeps you busy!"
read -p "Enter your job title: "
echo "I thought you might be an $REPLY."
echo -n "Who are your best friends? "
read -a friends
echo "Say hi to ${friends[2]}."
```

If Then

- Syntax:
if condition
then
command1 if condition is true or if exit status
of condition is 0 (zero)
...
...
fi

Practice

```
cat > showfile #!/bin/bash
#
#Script to print file
#
if cat $1
then
echo -e "File $1, found and successfully echoed"
fi
./showfile foo
```

test Command

- test command is used to see if an expression is true
if it is true it return zero(0)
returns nonzero(>0) for false.
Syntax: test expression [OR expression]

Practice

- ispostive 5
- ispostive -45
- ispostive

if else fi

```

if condition
then
command1 if condition is true or if exit status
of condition is 0(zero)
...
...
else
command2 if condition is false or if exit status
of condition is >0 (nonzero)
...
...
fi
    
```

Practice

```

cat > isnump_n
#!/bin/bash
#
# Script to see whether argument is positive or negative
#
if test $# -ne 1
then
echo "$0 : You must supply one integer"
exit 1
fi
if test $1 -gt 0
then
echo "$1 is positive"
else
echo "$1 is negative"
fi
    
```


Multilevel if else fi

if condition

then

condition is zero (true - 0)

execute all commands up to elif statement

elif condition1

condition1 is zero (true - 0)

execute all commands up to elif statement

elif condition2

condition2 is zero (true - 0)

execute all commands up to elif statement

else

None of the above condtion,condtion1,condtion2 are true (i.e.

all of the above nonzero or false)

execute all commands up to fi

fi

Multilevel if else fi

```
$ cat > elf
#!/bin/bash
#
# Script to test if..elif...else
#
if [ $1 -gt 0 ] # note space around [ and ]
then
echo "$1 is positive"
elif [ $1 -lt 0 ]
then
echo "$1 is negative"
elif [ $1 -eq 0 ]
then
echo "$1 is zero"
else
echo "Oops! $1 is not number. give number"
```

Practice

- ./elf 1
- ./elf -2
- ./elf 0
- ./elf a

For loop

- More like a for-each loop
- Syntax:
for { variable name } in { list }
do
execute one for each item in the list until the list is
not finished (And repeat all statement between do and
done)
done

Practice

```
cat > testfor
for i in 1 2 3 4 5
do
echo "Welcome $i times"
done
```

- More useful then you think for file management
- Variable could be part of a filename or a command (e.g. hw\$i.js)


```

cat > mtable
#!/bin/bash
#
#Script to test for loop
##
if [ $# -eq 0 ]
then
echo "Error — Number missing form command line argument"
echo "Syntax : $0 number"
echo "Use to print multiplication table for given number"
exit 1
fi
n=$1
for i in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
do
echo "$n * $i = `expr $i \* $n`"
done

```

Practice

- ./mtable 7
- ./mtable

C-style Loop

```
for (( c=1; c<=5; c++ )); do  
    loop body  
done
```

can use { } instead of **do** done on modern Bash, but undocumented

More on (()) in a few slides

FYI: **break** and **continue** are supported by all Bash loops


```
cat > nt1
#!/bin/bash
#
#Script to test while statement
##
if [ $# -eq 0 ]
then
echo "Error – Number missing form command line argument"
echo "Syntax : $0 number"
echo " Use to print multiplication table for given number"
exit 1
fi
n=$1
i=1
while [ $i -le 10 ]
do
echo "$n * $i = `expr $i \* $n`"
i=`expr $i + 1`
done
```

- Execute the following `./nt1 7`

case statement

- Syntax:

```

case $variable-name in
pattern1) command
...
..
command;;
pattern2) command
...
..
command;;
patternN) command
...
..
command;;
*) command
...
..
command;;
esac

```

Practice

```
cat > car
#!/bin/bash
# if no vehicle name is given
# i.e. -z $1 is defined and it is NULL
#
# if no command line arg
if [ -z $1 ]
then
rental="*** Unknown vehicle ***"
elif [ -n $1 ]
then
# otherwise make first arg as rental
rental=$1
fi
case $rental in
"car") echo "For $rental Rs.20 per k/m";;
"van") echo "For $rental Rs.10 per k/m";;
"jeep") echo "For $rental Rs.5 per k/m";;
"bicycle") echo "For $rental 20 paisa per k/m";;
*) echo "Sorry, I can not get a $rental for you";;
esac
```

Practice

- car van
- car car
- car Maruti-800

let using (())

- Though the command is let, the usual use is with (()). The goal is to simplify some basic math and variable usage.
- while [\$a -lt \$LIMIT] #spacing is required
- becomes
- while ((a <= LIMIT)) #spacing is optional
- -o becomes || and aa becomes &&
- a=

```
'expr \'$a + 1'
```

becomes ((a += 1))
- z = \$((a + b)) is the more general form

declare

- With declare variables can be given a type:
- declare -i n
- n=6/3 # n will now be 2, no expr or let

seq

- seq is an older command, but useful:
- seq [OPTION]... LAST
- seq [OPTION]... FIRST LAST
- seq [OPTION]... FIRST INCREMENT LAST
- FIRST and INCREMENT default to 1, options for formatting and padding

```
for i in `seq 1 10`; do
    loop body
done
```

{ } expansion

- or i in {1..10..2} # 1 to 10 increment by 2
- No spaces, no variables allowed
- Unless you use eval, but that is weird
- {f..k} becomes f g h i j k
- 1.{0..9} becomes 1.0 1.1 1.2 ... 1.9
- {A..Z}{0..9} generates: A0 A1 ... A9 B0 B1 .. Z9
- {{A..Z},{a..z}} generates: A B .. Z a b .. Z
- Can have something before or after { }

- There is a lot.
- I do not expect you to know everything on a test.
- It is best to understand how much power shell scripting is giving you:
 - program chaining/redirection
 - program argument manipulation
 - can interact with anything
- When you don't know something, Google!