

# Bash Scripting

BASH stands for "Bourne Again Shell"

## Commands

(e) grep filters input based on regex pattern matching

```
grep -i "Unix" my_file.txt
grep 'a' my_file.txt # returns all lines containing a
grep '[pc]' fruits.txt # it has p and c
```

cat concatenate files contents line by line

```
cat > foo.txt # create a file
cat >> bar.txt # append output to same file
cat old.txt > new.txt # copy a file
cat file.txt # see content
cat file1.txt >> file2.txt # append file to the
# end of another
cat file1.txt file2.txt > merged.txt
```

tail / head give only the last -n (a flag) lines

```
tail myfile.txt
head myfile.txt
```

wc does a word or line count (with flags -w -l)

```
wc mytext.txt
```

sed does pattern-matched string replacement

```
sed 's/unix/linux/g' myfile.txt # all matches
```

```
cat myfile.txt | sort | uniq -c | head -n 3
```

**cut** cutting out the sections from each line of files

```
cut -d ", " -f 2
```

↳ delimiter      ↳ field number

**uniq -c** report repeated lines

```
uniq -c myfile.txt
```

↳ count lines

## Bash Script Anatomy

- It begins with `#!/bin/bash`
- It has a file extension `.sh`
- Can be run in terminal using
  - ↳ `bash script-name.sh`
  - ↳ `./script-name.sh`

## STDIN - STDOUT - STDERR

- ↳ **STDIN** (standard input)      Stream of data into the program
- ↳ **STDOUT** (standard output)      Stream of data out of the program
- ↳ **STDERR** (standard error)      Errors in your program

## STDIN vs ARGV

**ARGV** is the array of all arguments given to the program

- ↳ Each argument can be accessed via `$1`, `$2` (first argument, second argument)
- ↳ `$@` and `$*` - gives all the arguments
- ↳ `$#` gives the length (number) of arguments

```
bash args.sh one two three
```

```
#!/usr/bin/bash  
echo $1  
echo $2  
echo $@
```

```
cat hire_data/*.csv | grep "$1" > "$1".csv
```

## Variables

```
var1="Moon" | echo $var1
```

```
firstName='Cynthia' | echo "Hi, there" $firstName $lastName  
lastName='Liu'
```

↳ Never add spaces

## Quotation

**Single Quotes** Shell interprets what is between literally

**Double Quotes** Shell interprets literally except using \$ and backticks

**Backticks** Shell runs the command and captures  
STDOUT back into a variable

```
now-var='NOW'  
now-var-singlequote='$now-var'  
echo $now-var-singlequote
```

```
$now-var
```

```
now-var-doublequote="$now-var"  
echo $now-var-doublequote
```

```
NOW
```

```
rightnow-doublequote="The date is `date`"  
echo $rightnow-doublequote | The date is Mon 5 Apr 2024 01:01
```

You can also use parenthesis instead of backtick  
rightnow - doublequote = "The date is \$(date)"

## expr

It is a useful utility program which can be used for basic arithmetic

```
expr 1 + 4
```

\* Limitations - it does not work with decimals

## bc (basic calculator)

It is a useful command-line program that allows you to do calculations

```
echo "5 + 7.5" | bc
```

\* **scale** argument for how many decimal places

```
echo "scale = 3; 10 / 3" | bc
```

## Declare Numbers

```
dog_age = 6
```

## Double Bracket Notation

```
echo $((5 + 7)) same as expr 5 + 7
```

```
model1 = 87.65
```

```
model2 = 89.20
```

```
echo "The total score is $(echo "$model1 + $model2" | bc)"
```

```
echo "The average score is $(echo "($model1 + $model2 / 2" | bc)"
```

# Arrays

## Create numerical-indexed arrays

↳ Declare without adding elements  
declare -a my-first-array

↳ Create and add elements at the same time  
my-first-array = (1 2 3)

echo \${my-array[@]} # returns all array elements

echo \${#my-array[@]} # returns length of the array

echo \${my-array[1]} # returns the third element

my-array[0] = 99 # change value of the first element

array[@]: N: M

↳ How many elements to return  
↳ Starting index

echo \${my-first-array[@]: 3: 2}

array += (elements) # append to the array

my-array += (10)

↳ 10 is added to the end

## Create associative arrays (dictionaries)

↳ Declaring using multiple lines

declare -A city-details

city-details = ([city-name] = "Boston" [population] = 133)

echo \${city-details[city-name]}

$x = 10$

↳ Declaring using one line && [ \$x -lt 11 ]; then

```
declare -A city_details=(["city-name"]="Boston" ["population"]=130000)
```

f,

```
echo ${!city_details[@]} # Return all the keys
```

## IF statements

```
if [ CONDITION ]; then
    # SOME CODE
else
    # SOME OTHER CODE
fi
```

Spaces between square brackets and conditional elements inside (first line)

Semi-colon (;) after ] closing bracket

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```
if (( $x > 5 )); then
    echo "$x is more than 5!"
fi
```

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## Flags

-eq equal to

-ne not equal to

-lt less than

-le less than or equal to

-gt greater than

u u  
-ge greater than or equal to

### File-related flags

- e if the file exists
  - s if the file exists and has size greater than 0
  - r if the file exists and it is readable
  - w if the file exists and it is writable
- 

& & for AND

|| for OR

```
x = 10  
if [ $x -gt 5 ] && [ $x -lt 11 ]; then  
    echo "$x is more than 5 and less than 11"  
fi
```

---

```
if [[ $x -gt 5 && $x -lt 11 ]]; then  
    echo "$x is more than 5 and less than 11"  
fi
```

---

```
if grep -q Hello world.txt; then  
    echo "Hello is inside"  
fi
```

---

```
if $(grep -q Hello words.txt); then  
    echo "Hello is inside"  
fi
```

# For Loop

```
for x in 1 2 3
do
    echo $x
done
```

To create a numeric ranges

↳ { START .. STOP .. INCREMENT }

↳ default at 1 if not specified

```
for x in { 1.. 5 .. 2 }
do
    echo $x
done
```

↳ Three expression syntax

First part is the start expression

Middle part is the terminating condition

Third part is increment or decrement

```
for (( x = 2 ; x <= 4 ; x += 2 ))
do
    echo $x
done
```

↳ Global Expansion

It allows pattern matching

```
for book in books/*
do
    echo $book
done
```



↳ Shell-within-a-shell

```
for book in $(ls books/ | grep -i 'air')
do
    echo $book
done
```

## While Loop

```
x=1
while [ $x -le 3 ];
do
    echo $x
    ((x+=1))
done
```

## Case Statement

```
case 'STRINGVAR' in
    PATTERN1)
        COMMAND1;;
    PATTERN2)
        COMMAND2;;
    *)
        DEFAULT_COMMAND;;
esac
```

- ↳ Each pattern and command need to be separated by a close-parenthesis
- ↳ Finish commands with a double semi-colon
- ↳ Default command with run if no other pattern

are matched

```
case $(cat $1) in
  * sydney*)
    mv $1 sydney/ ;;
  * melbourne * | * brisbane *)
    rm $1 ;;
  * canberra*)
    mv $1 "IMPORTANT_$1" ;;
  *)
    echo "No cities" ;;
esac
```

## Bash Function

```
function_name () {
  # function code
  return # something
}
```

\* To call the function, just write the name  
function\_name

```
function function_name {
  # function code
  return # something
}
```

## ↳ Passing Arguments

```
function print_filename {
  echo "The first file is $1"
  for file in $@
  do
```

```

        echo "This file has name $file"
    done
}

print_filename "file1.txt" "file2.txt" "A.py"

```

**Scope in bash functions** All variables in bash are global by default  
 ↳ To restrict variable scope, use the **local** key word

```

function print_filename {
    local first_filename = $1
}

print_filename "LO1.txt" "text2.csv"

```

## Return Values

The return option in bash is only to determine if the function was successful (0) or failure (other values 1-255). It is capture in the global variable **\$?**

To return values, we can

- Assign to a global variable
- echo what we want back (last line in a function) and capture using `shell-within-a-shell`

```

function convert_temp {
    echo $(echo "scale = 2; ($1 - 32) * 5/9" | bc)
}

```

```
converted = $(convert_temp 30)
echo "30°F in celsius is $converted C"
```

## Cron Jobs

**crontab** driver of cronjobs  
↳ file that contains **cronjobs**

**cronjob** tells the crontab what code to run and when

`crontab -l` # to see what schedules (cronjobs) are currently programmed

```
5 1 * * * bash myscript.sh
```

↳ It runs every day at 1:05 am

```
15 14 * * 7 bash myscript.sh
```

↳ It runs 2:15 pm every Sunday

## To schedule a job

1. In terminal type `crontab -e` to edit your list of jobs
2. Create the cronjob. Add a new line to the job  
↳ `30 1 * * * extract_data.sh`