

Introduction to Writing and Using Shell Scripts

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ASSOCIATES

- **Take a “real life” situation**
- **Create a shell script to implement it**
- **Incremental approach**
 - Work through a topic
 - Apply it to the example
 - Move on to the next topic
 - Repeat
- **Investigate**
 - Shells
 - Environment variables
 - File manipulation
 - Scripting language constructs

- **Simple Report Program**
 - Read 3 files according to day of the week (M–F)
 - Concatenate data and write to output file
 - Optional parameter to act as report header
 - Optional parameter to identify job run
- **Job Control**
 - Specify day of week for which report is to be run
 - Allow run for entire week
 - Choose between “production” and “QA” runs
 - Write log messages to terminal or to a file
 - Write output to a file in a directory named after user
 - Debug option to show “JCL” preparation
 - Handle abnormal termination

How do we do this in Linux?

```
//REPORT JOB 51315,  
NEALE,  
MSGLEVEL=(1,1)  
//RPT EXEC PGM=REPORT,PARM='Report Title'  
//SYSLIB DD DSN=HOME.NEALE,DISP=SHR  
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*  
//IN1 DD DSN=TMP.PROD.MON.IN001,DISP=SHR  
//IN2 DD DSN=TMP.PROD.MON.IN002,DISP=SHR  
//IN3 DD DSN=TMP.PROD.MON.IN003,DISP=SHR  
//OUT DD DSN=TMP.PROD.MON.NEALE(OUT),DISP=SHR  
/*
```

```
//REPORT JOB 51315,  
NEALE,  
MSGLEVEL=(1,1)  
//RPTPROC PROC RUN=,DAY=,TITLE=  
//RPT EXEC PGM=REPORT,PARM='&TITLE.'  
//SYSLIB DD DSN=HOME.NEALE,DISP=SHR  
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*  
//IN1 DD DSN=TMP.&RUN..&DAY..IN001,DISP=SHR  
//IN2 DD DSN=TMP.&RUN..&DAY..IN002,DISP=SHR  
//IN3 DD DSN=TMP.&RUN..&DAY..IN003,DISP=SHR  
//OUT DD DSN=TMP.&RUN..&DAY..NEALE(OUT),DISP=SHR  
//  
PEND  
/*  
//MONRPT EXEC PROC=RPTPROC,RUN=PROD,DAY=MON,TITLE='Report Title'  
//TUERPT EXEC PROC=RPTPROC,RUN=PROD,DAY=TUE,TITLE='Report Title'  
/*
```

- `report` Program takes several parameters:

```
report -e <var> -t <title>
```

where:

- e - Passes the name of an environment variable to program
- t - Passes a string to be used as the report title

...Running the Application on Linux

■ Without a script...

```
➤ export SYSIN_1=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.001
➤ export SYSIN_2=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.002
➤ export SYSIN_3=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.003
➤ export SYSOUT=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/neale/Output
➤ export REPORT=MON
➤ export PATH=$PATH:.
➤ report -e REPORT -t "Monday Report"
```

```
➤ SYSIN_1=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.001 \
SYSIN_2=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.002 \
SYSIN_3=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.003 \
SYSOUT=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/neale/Output \
REPORT=MON \
PATH=$PATH:. \
report -e REPORT -t "Monday Report"
```

■ What do all these statements mean?

Lab Setup

- Click on the “PuTTY” icon
- Select the “Linux Lab” menu item
- Click on “Load” and then “Open” buttons
- Logon as `studentnn` with password `linx101`

Lab - Getting a feel for things...

- Try running the program and see what happens:

```
➤ report -e REPORT -t "Monday Report"
```

```
➤ PATH=$PATH:. \  
report -e REPORT -t "Monday Report"
```

```
➤ SYSIN_1=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.001 \  
➤ REPORT=MON \  
➤ PATH=$PATH:. \  
➤ report -e REPORT -t "Monday Report"
```

```
➤ SYSIN_1=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.001 \  
SYSIN_2=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.002 \  
SYSIN_3=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.003 \  
SYSOUT=Output \  
REPORT=MON \  
PATH=$PATH:. \  
report -e REPORT -t "Monday Report"
```


...Lab - Getting a feel for things

- Place the following lines in a file called “monday.sh”

```
#!/bin/bash
SYSIN_1=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.001 \
SYSIN_2=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.002 \
SYSIN_3=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.003 \
SYSOUT=Output \
REPORT=MON \
PATH=$PATH:. \
report -e REPORT -t “Monday Report”
```

- Run the program: `sh monday.sh`
- What happens if you put a space after any of those trailing ‘\’ characters?

- **report.sh** script that takes several parameters and invokes report program

```
report -d -h -e -t <title> -l <log> -x <err> -q days...
```

where:

```
-d - Turns on debug mode
-h - Prints this message
-e - Passes the name of an environment variable to
    program
-t - Passes a string to be used as the report title
-l - Specifies a log file for messages
-x - Specifies a log file for error messages
-q - Specifies this is a QA (testing) run
days - The names of the days of the week for the report
        Any or all of the following (case insensitive) -
        MONday, TUEsday, WEDnesday, THUrursday, FRIday, ALL
```

- **An interface between the Linux system and the user**
- **Used to call commands and programs**
- **An interpreter**
- **Powerful programming language**
 - “Shell scripts” = .bat .cmd EXEC REXX

- **sh** Bourne shell – the original
- **csh** C shell – compatible with Bourne shell
- **bash** Bourne again shell – most common on Linux
- **tcsh** The enhanced C shell
- **zsh** Z shell – new, compatible with Bourne shell
- **ksh** Korn shell – most popular UNIX shell

Why Do I Care About The Shell?

■ Shell is Not an Integral Part of O/S

- UNIX Among First to Separate
- Compare to MS-DOS, Mac, Win95, VM/CMS
- GUI is NOT Required
- Shell is just a command (usually living in `/bin`)
- Default Shell Can Be Configured
 - `chsh -s /bin/bash`
 - `/etc/passwd`
- Can swap between at will by invoking the name of the shell
- Helps To Customize Environment

```
#!/bin/bash
while
true
do
    cat somefile > /dev/null
    echo .
done
```

```
/* */
do forever
    'PIPE < SOME FILE | hole'
    say '.'
end
```

- Environment variables are global settings that control the function of the shell and other Linux programs. They are sometimes referred to as global shell variables.
- Each process has access to its own set of environment variables
- Variables may be made available between parent and child processes by “exporting” them
- Setting:
 - `VAR=/home/fred/doc`
 - `export TERM=ansi`
 - `SYSTEMNAME=`uname -n``

- **Using Environment Variables:**
 - `echo $VAR`
 - `cd $VAR`
 - `cd $HOME`
 - `echo "You are running on $SYSTEMNAME"`
- **Displaying – use the following commands:**
 - `set` (displays local & environment variables)
 - `export`
 - `env`
- **Variables can be retrieved by a script or a program**

Some Important Environment Variables

- **HOME**
 - Your home directory (often be abbreviated as “~”)
- **TERM**
 - The type of terminal you are running (for example vt100, xterm, and ansi)
- **PWD**
 - Current working directory
- **PATH**
 - List of directories to search for commands

PATH Environment Variable

- **Controls where commands are found**
 - PATH is a list of directory pathnames separated by colons. For example:
`PATH=/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/X11R6/bin:/usr/local/bin`
 - If a command does not contain a slash, the shell tries finding the command in each directory in PATH. The first match is the command that will run
- **Usually set in `/etc/profile`**
- **Often modified in `~/.profile` or `~/.bashrc` or `~/.login`**

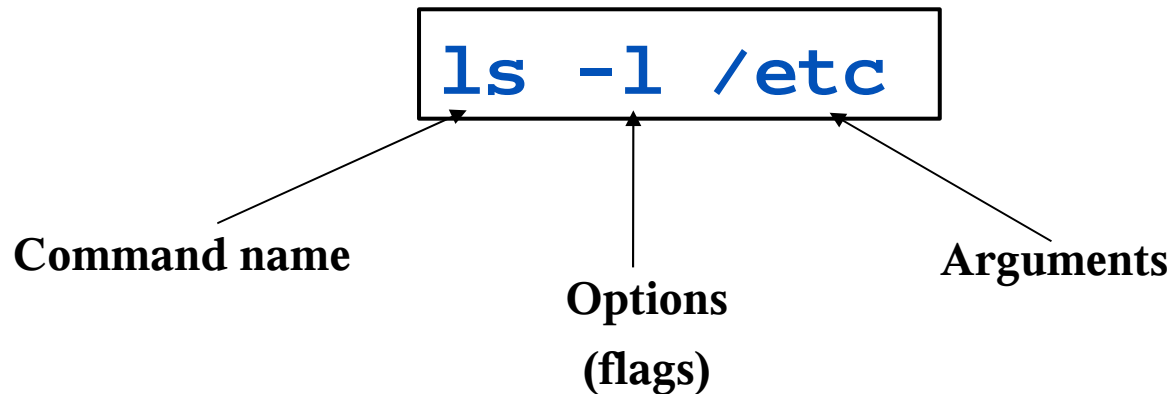
- Use `set/export/env` to display current variables
- Set your own variables

```
ENVVAR="MYVAR"; echo $ENVVAR  
echo $ENVVAR  
export ENVVAR="MYVAR"  
echo $ENVVAR  
export ENVVAR=""
```

- Examine effect of PATH

```
date  
PATH=/tmp date
```

- To execute a command, type its name and arguments at the command line



- **UNIX concept of “standard files”**
 - standard input (where a command gets its input) – default is the terminal. Represented by file descriptor 0.
 - standard output (where a command writes its output) – default is the terminal. Represented by file descriptor 1.
 - standard error (where a command writes error messages) – default is the terminal. Represented by file descriptor 2.

- The output of a command may be sent to a file:

```
ls -l >output
```

“>” is used to specify
the output file

- To redirect the output of standard error use `2>`
- To append to an existing file use `>>`

How our Script uses it

```
if [ $xflag -eq 0 ]; then
  if [ $lflag -eq 0 ]; then
    report "$VSTR" "$TSTR"
  else
    report "$VSTR" "$TSTR" >>$LOGFILE 2>&1
  fi
else
  if [ $lflag -eq 0 ]; then
    report "$VSTR" "$TSTR" 2>>$ERRFILE
  else
    if [ $LOGFILE = $ERRFILE ]; then
      report "$VSTR" "$TSTR" >>$LOGFILE 2>&1
    else
      report "$VSTR" "$TSTR" >>$LOGFILE 2>>$ERRFILE
    fi
  fi
fi
```

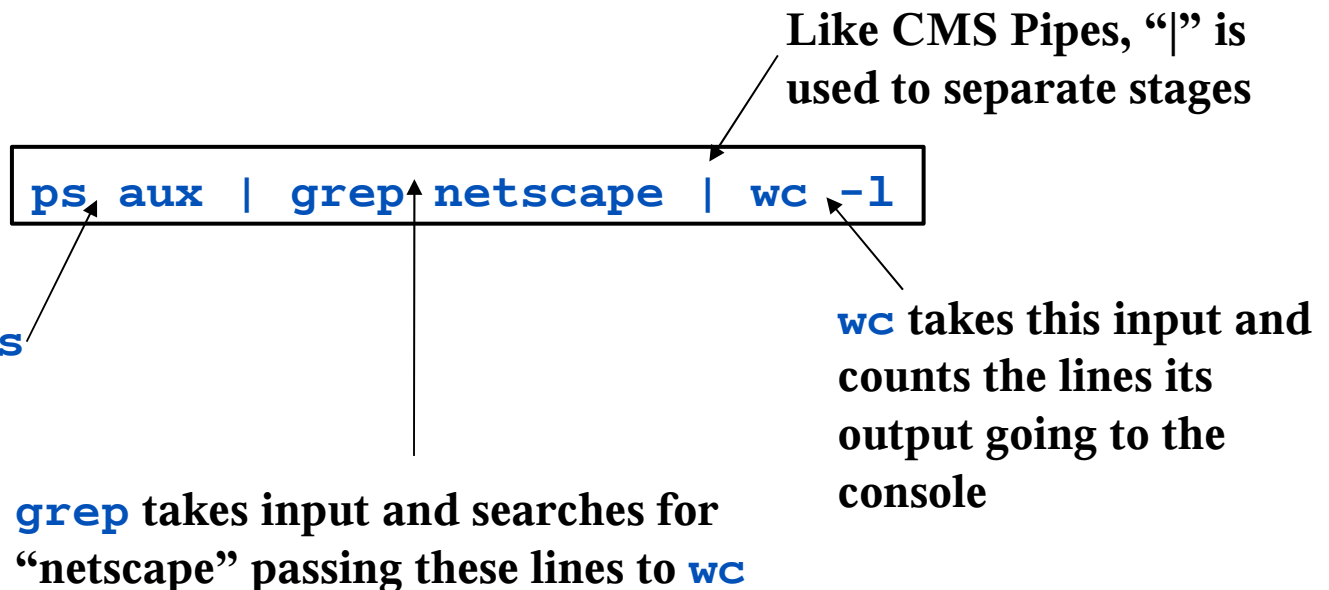
- The input of a command may come from a file:

```
wc <input
```

“<” is used to specify
the input file

Connecting commands with Pipes

- Not as powerful as CMS/TSO Pipes but the same principle
- The output of one command can become the input of another:



How our Script uses it

```
DAYS=`echo $* | tr '[:lower:]' '[:upper:]'`
```

- **Command options allow you to control a command to a certain degree**
- **Conventions:**
 - Usually/Historically: a single dash and are a single letter (“-1”)
 - POSIX standards complying: double dashes followed by a keyword (“--help”)
 - Sometimes follow no pattern at all

Language Structures – Agenda

- **Terms and concepts**
- **Statement types**
- **Invoking a shell program**
- **System commands**
- **Logic constructs**
- **Arithmetic and logic operators**
- **Functions and subroutines**
- **Debugging**

- BASH = “Bourne Again SHell”
- A shell script is an ordinary text file containing commands that will eventually be read by the shell
- Generally used to startup, control and/or terminate application programs and system daemons
- An interpreted language
- The first line of the program identifies the interpreter: Using `#!/bin/<shell>` (“sh-bang”) –
 - `#!/bin/bash2`
 - `#!/bin/sh`
 - If file does not have “x” privileges then: `sh <pathname>`

- **Most Linux commands are files**
 - e.g. `ls` is found in `/bin/ls`
- **Shell also has built-in commands**
 - `export`
 - `cd`
- **Needed –**
 - As a programming language construct
 - To be able to operate if PATH setting is invalid
- **Is it a command or is it a built-in?**
 - `which <command>`

- Create a simple script “hw.sh”

```
echo "Hello World"
```

- Run the script:

- `hw.sh`
- `./hw.sh`
- `bash hw.sh`
- `csch hw.sh`

- Make the file executable:

- `chmod +x hw.sh`
- `./hw.sh`

- Update script to look like:

```
#!/bin/csh
echo "Hello World"
set I=0
switch ($I)
  case 0:
    echo "Zero"
    breaksw
endsw
```

- Run again:

- `./hw.sh`
- `bash hw.sh`
- `csh hw.sh`

- A comment begins with the string # and ends with the end of the line
- A comment cannot span multiple lines
- It can appear on the same line as an executable statement

```
J=$((J+1)) # Increment secondary counter
```

- It cannot be embedded in the middle of an executable statement

- Symbols when first defined must begin with an alphabetic or special character “_”
 - Symbols may contain alphabetic, special, and numeric
- Symbols referred to by `$<symbol name>`:
 - `X=1`
 - `echo $X`
- Symbols are case-sensitive
 - `$fred` is not the same symbol as `$Fred` is not the same symbol as `$FRED`
- Symbols that have never been assigned a value have a default of “”
- Variables can be read from standard input using “`read <var>`”

Set variable to result of command

- Use the “tick” format of assignment to set a variable to the result of a command:

```
#!/bin/bash  
MACHINE=`uname -m`  
echo $MACHINE
```

Yields...

```
s390x
```

Single and Double Quotes

- Without quotes

```
MY_VAR='This is my text'  
echo $MY_VAR  
This is my text
```

- Using double quotes

```
echo "$MY_VAR"  
This is my text
```

- Using single quotes

```
echo '$MY_VAR'  
$MY_VAR
```

- Why use double quotes?

```
x="school bag"  
if [ $x = "abc" ]; then versus if [ "$x" = "abc" ]; then
```

- Examine the difference of using double quotes in the test of \$x

```
#!/bin/sh
set -x
x="school bag"
if [ $x == "abc" ]; then
    echo "Strange!"
fi
```

- Examine the difference of using single quotes

```
#!/bin/sh
set -x
x="school bag"
if [ '$x' != "school bag" ]; then
    echo "Stranger!"
fi
```

How our Script uses it

```
ID= `whoami`  
vflag=0  
tflag=0  
lflag=0  
xflag=0
```

```
ddName() {  
    export $1=$2  
    message $INFO "$1 has been assigned to $2"  
}
```

```
if [ $TITLE = "@" ]; then  
    read USRTITLE  
    TSTR="-t$USRTITLE"  
    message $INFO "Report title set to $USRTITLE"  
else
```

How our Program uses it

```
for (i_fd = 0; i_fd < 3; i_fd++) {
    sprintf (ddName, "SYSIN_%d", i_fd+1);
    in[i_fd] = getenv(ddName);
    if (in[i_fd] != NULL) {
        inFd[i_fd] = open(in[i_fd],O_RDONLY);
        if (inFd[i_fd] < 0) {
            err = errno;
            fprintf(stderr, "Error opening %s - %s\n",
                in[i_fd],strerror(errno));
            return (-err);
        }
    } else {
        fprintf(stderr, "DD name missing for %s\n",ddName);
        return (-1);
    }
}
```

- The equal sign `=` is used as the assignment operator

```
i=3
```

```
j="A string"
```

```
k_q=`expr $i + 2` or k_q=$(( $i+2 )) or let k_q=$i+2
```

- It is also used as the comparison operator for numeric equality

```
if [ $i == 4 ]...
```

```
_equal=`expr $i == 4` or _equal=$(( $i==4 ))
```

- Usage is determined from context
 - The last statement above sets the variable `_equal` to 'true' or 'false' (1 or 0) depending on whether `$i` equals 4

- Arrays of values are implemented using:

```
#!/bin/bash2  
Y=0  
X[$Y]="Q"  
echo ${X[$Y]}
```

Q

How our Script uses it

```
INFO=0
WARN=1
ERRA=2
MSGPRI[$INFO]="info"; MSGPRI[$WARN]="warn"; MSGPRI[$ERRA]="err"
MSGIND[$INFO]="I"; MSGIND[$WARN]="W"; MSGIND[$ERRA]="E"
STAT[$INFO]=0; STAT[$WARN]=0; STAT[$ERRA]=0
```

```
message() {
    PRI=$1
    shift
    TOD=`date +%F %T`
    echo "$TOD $ID ${MSGIND[$PRI]} $*"
    logger -i -t report -p ${MSGPRI[$PRI]} "$*"
    STAT[$PRI]=$((STAT[$PRI] + 1))
}
```

```
stats() {
    msg="${STAT[$INFO]} informational, "
    msg="$msg ${STAT[$WARN]} warning(s), "
    msg="$msg ${STAT[$ERRA]} error(s)"
    message $INFO "Message statistics: $msg"
}
```

- A script may have parameters and options using the same syntax as normal commands
 - `foo -anycase .therc`
 - might perform the foo function on file `.therc`, ignoring case
- We must be able to perform the usual functions of a program:
 - access the parameter string
 - produce output
 - exit the program when done

- Parameters are identified by \$0, \$1, \$2...
- \$0 returns the name of the script
- \$# returns number of arguments
- \$* returns all arguments
- The `set` function can assign values to \$0 etc.
- The `shift` function makes \$1=\$2, \$2=\$3 etc.

- **Write a script:**
 - Displays the script name
 - Displays the number of parameters
 - Displays the parameters passed
 - Use the shift command to shuffle the parameters down by 3 and display the new 1st parameter

- Use `getopt` function to resolve flags and operands:

```
getopt <flags> <result>
```

```
while getopts put: opt
do
  case "$opt" in
    p) _autoload_dump printable; return 0;;
    u) _autoload_unset=y ;;
    t) _autoload_opt="$OPTARG" ;;
    *) echo "autoload: usage:"
       echo "  autoload [-put<opt>] [function ...]" >&2
       return 1 ;;
  esac
done
shift $((OPTIND-1))
```

The echo Instruction

- One way to produce output from a program is simply to display it on the terminal or monitor
- The `echo` instruction is used to do this
 - *echo expression*
 - evaluates the expression and displays its value
- For example

```
echo "Hello World!"  
X="XYZ"  
echo $X  
-----  
Hello World!  
XYZ
```

Tracing the Program

- Prior to executing:

```
set -x
```

- Option of `sh` command:

```
sh -x <shellscript>
```

- Within a script:

```
#!/bin/sh  
set -x  
echo $0
```


How our Script uses it

```
while getopts dehl:t:qx: name
do
    case $name in
        d) set -x;;
```

Terminating the Program...

- The `exit` instruction terminates the program immediately.
- It takes an optional parameter of a return code
 - The return code must be an integer
 - It may be positive, negative, or zero

```
echo "File not found"  
exit 28
```

- Several programming constructs are available in the shell language
 - The loop constructs
 - At least five unique forms exist
 - They can be combined to produce interesting results
 - The `case ... esac` construct
 - Used to execute one of a set of mutually exclusive code fragments
 - The `if/then/fi` and `if/then/else/fi` constructs
 - The `else` clause is optional
 - The forms may be nested to execute complex logical operations

- The test may deal with file characteristics or numerical/string comparisons.
- Although the left bracket here appears to be part of the structure, it is actually another name for the Unix test command (located in `/bin/[]`).
- Since `[]` is the name of a file, there must be spaces before and after it as well as before the closing bracket.

■ *TEST OPTIONS – FILE TESTS*

- **-s <file>** Test if file exists and is not empty.
- **-f <file>** Test if file is an ordinary file, not a directory.
- **-d <file>** Test if file is a directory.
- **-w <file>** Test if file has write permission.
- **-r <file>** Test if file has read permission.
- **-x <file>** Test if file is executable.
- **!** “Not” operation for test.

■ *TEST OPTIONS – STRING COMPARISONS*

- `$X -eq $Y` `$X` is equal to `$Y`.
- `$X -ne $Y` `$X` is not equal to `$Y`.
- `$X -gt $Y` `$X` is greater than `$Y`.
- `$X -lt $Y` `$X` is less than `$Y`.
- `$X -ge $Y` `$X` is greater than or equal to `$Y`.
- `$X -le $Y` `$X` is less than or equal to `$Y`.
- `"$A" = "$B"` String `$A` is equal to string `$B`.

- ***TEST OPTIONS – NOT (!)***
 - "\$A" != "\$B" String \$A is not equal to string \$B.
 - \$X ! -gt \$Y \$X is not greater than \$Y.

The Simple do...done Group

- A group of statements may be preceded by a `do` statement and followed by an `done` statement
 - This allows the group of statements to be treated as a unit
 - No change in the execution of the statements is produced
- The entire set of statements between the `do` and `done` is executed if *condition* is true

Looping Conditionally

- An `until` loop always executes at least once
- A `while` loop will not execute at all if *condition* is false at initial entry to the `while` statement

```
while condition  
do  
    statements  
done
```

```
while condition; do; statements; done
```

```
until condition  
do  
    statements  
done
```

```
until condition; do; statements; done
```

While 1 -- an Unending Loop

- The `while 1` or `until 0` construct will loop forever
- Used when the termination condition is not known
- The termination condition (if any) is found inside the group

```
while [ 1 ];  
do  
    ...  
    if [ condition ]; then  
        break  
    fi  
done
```

The break Instruction

- The `break` instruction is used to exit an iterative loop
- By default, it exits the innermost loop if it is executed inside nested loops then `break n` will exit out of n levels of loops
- If n is greater than the level of nesting then all levels are exited

- Many programming languages have a construct that allow you to test a series of conditions and execute an expression when a true condition is found

```
case $key in                Match the variable $key.
    pattern1)                Test match to pattern1.
        statement           If $key matches pattern1, then
                                execute statement
    ;;                        Each pattern ends with ;;.
    pattern2)                Test match to pattern2
        statement           If match, then execute
        statement
    ;;
esac                        Close the case with esac.
```

- **The first condition that evaluates as “true” causes its corresponding expression to be executed**
 - Control then transfers to the end of the `case` group
 - No other conditions are tested
- **The same rules apply here for expressions as apply with the `if/then/else` construct**

- Use the `getopts/while/case` constructs to parse the options of a script that accepts the following options:
 - `-v` Verbose (no operands)
 - `-t` Title (next operand is the actual title)
 - `-l` Logfile (next operand is the name of a file)
- Print a messages that tell the user
 - Whether verbose option was specified
 - The title (if specified)
 - The name of the log file (if specified)
- <http://aussie-1.osdl.marist.edu/report.file>

How our Script uses it

```
while getopts dehl:t:qx: name
do
    case $name in
        d) set -x;;
        e) vflag=1;;
        t) tflag=1
           TITLE="$OPTARG" ;;
        l) lflag=1
           LOGFILE="$OPTARG" ;;
        x) xflag=1
           ERRFILE="$OPTARG" ;;
        q) qflag=1;;
        h) usage;;
    esac
done
shift $(( $OPTIND - 1 ))
:
DAYS=`echo $* | tr '[:lower:]' '[:upper:]'`
```

Conditional Execution (if/then/else)

- Uses the traditional form of the conditional execution statements

`if [test]`

`then` *then must appear on new line (or use ‘;’)*
command

`else` *else is optional also on new line*
command

`fi` *if always finishes with fi*

`if [test]; then command; else command; fi`

■ Examples:

```
if [ $# -ne 1 ]
then
    echo "This script needs one argument."
    exit -1
fi
input="$1"
if [ ! -f "$input" ]
then
    echo "Input file does not exist."
    exit -1
else
    echo "Running program bigmat with input $input."

    bigmat < $input
fi
```

- Use the `if/then/else/fi` and `test` constructs to:
 - Check for the existence of `/etc/profile` and display a message informing the user
 - Read a variable from `stdin` using the `read` command and compare it against a string "ABORT" and display a message saying whether the comparison is true
 - Repeat the previous test but make the comparison case insensitive

How our Script uses it

```
if [ x$RUNMODE != xProduction ]; then
    message $WARN "Run mode has forced report processing to Testing"
    qflag=1
fi

if [ $qflag -eq 1 ]; then
    DIR="Testing"
else
    DIR="Production"
fi

if [ $xflag -eq 1 ]; then
    rm -f $ERRFILE
fi

if [ $lflag ]; then
    rm -f $LOGFILE
fi
```

- There are several forms of a do loop controlled by a counter

```
for variable in list
```

```
do
```

```
    statement           Execute statement on each loop.
```

```
done           Close the do with done.
```

```
for month in "January" "February" "March"  
do  
    echo $month  
done
```

- Use the for statement to iterate through a list of vegetables: “carrot”, “potato”, “turnip”, “bean”, “pea”
- Use the if statement to test for the existence of a file in /tmp that has the same name as the vegetable
- Display a message telling the user whether that file exists or not

How our Script uses it

```
for REPORT in $DAYS; do
  case $REPORT in
    MON | MOND | MONDA | MONDAY)
      Report="Monday"
      runday
      ;;
    :
    ALL)
      for Report in "Monday" "Tuesday" "Wednesday" \
        "Thursday" "Friday"; do
        runday
        if [ $SRC -ne 0 ]; then
          abort -3
        fi
      done
      ;;
    *)
      usage;;
  esac
done
```

- $- +$ unary minus and plus
- $! \sim$ logical and bitwise negation
- $**$ exponentiation
- $* / \%$ multiplication, division, remainder
- $+ -$ addition, subtraction
- $<< >>$ left and right bitwise shifts
- $<= >= < >$ comparison
- $== !=$ equality and inequality

- **&** bitwise AND
- **^** bitwise exclusive OR
- **|** bitwise OR
- **&&** logical AND
- **||** logical OR
- ***expr?expr.expr*** conditional evaluation
- **= *= /= %= +=**
-- <<= >>= &=
^= |= assignment

More Useful Commands

- `printf`
 - Format and print data
- `sort`
 - Sort lines of text files (also has a `-u` for unique sorting)
- `uniq`
 - Remove duplicate lines from a sorted file

- Defined before where they are called
- Take parameters \$1, \$2...
- Can return an integer

```
test() {  
    echo "Was passed $1"  
    return 0  
}
```

```
test "First parameter" "Second Parameter"  
echo $?  
exit
```

Yields...

```
Was passed First parameter  
0
```

- **Create a script which:**
 - Takes a single parameter
 - Based on the value of the parameter call one of 3 subroutines:
 - one – which prints “subroutine one called” and returns 1
 - two – which prints “subroutine two called” and returns 2
 - xxx – which prints “subroutine xxx called with \$1” and returns -1
 - The mainline will take the return code from the subroutine and display it and exit with that code

Building the Input Files

```
#!/bin/sh
init() {
    i=0
    mkdir -p $HOME/tmp/{Production,Testing}/$1
    for name in $1 $2 $3 # or $*
    do
        i=$((i+1))
        for dir in "Production" "Testing"
        do
            echo -n "$name" >$HOME/tmp/$dir/$1/Input.00$i
        done
    done
}

init "Monday" "Montag" "Lundi"
init "Tuesday" "Dienstag" "Mardi"
init "Wednesday" "Mittwoch" "Mercredi"
init "Thursday" "Donnerstag" "Jeudi"
init "Friday" "Freitag" "Vendredi"
exit
```

- The **set** instruction is your primary debugging tool
 - **set -e**
 - If a simple command fails the shell shall immediately exit
 - **set -n**
 - The shell shall read commands but does not execute them
 - **set -u**
 - The shell shall write a message to standard error when it tries to expand a variable that is not set and immediately exit
 - **set -v**
 - The shell shall write its input to standard error as it is read
 - **set -x**
 - The shell shall write to standard error a trace for each command after it expands the command and before it executes it

- **Running jobs in background:**
 - `<scriptname> <parameters> &`
- **Use `jobs` command to display status**
 - Only on current session
- **Use `ps` command to display process(es)**
 - `ps`
 - `ps -u <user>`
 - `ps -ef`
 - `ps -L`
- **Canceling jobs/processes:**
 - `CTRL-C`
 - `kill [-SIGNAL] %<job number>`
 - `kill [-SIGNAL] <process id>`
 - `killall [-SIGNAL] <process name>`

- **Redirect script output to file**

- `report.sh ... >report.out 2>report.err &`
- `report.sh ... >report.out 2>&1 &`
- `report.sh ... 2>&1 | tee report.out &`

- **Monitoring log files:**

- `tail -20f report.out`
- `tail -20f report.out | grep -i "title"`

Trapping Signals

- Use “trap” command to intercept signals
- Used to allow clean-up of job

```
trap “<action>” <signals...>
```

```
trap “echo Received a signal; exit -1” TERM  
while [ 1 ]  
do  
    echo -n “.”  
    sleep 1s  
done
```


How our Script uses it

```
abort() {  
    rm -f $SYSOUT  
    message $ERRA "Job processing terminated abnormally"  
    exit $1  
}  
:  
:  
trap "abort -4" INT QUIT ABRT TERM  
:  
# Report processing  
:  
trap "" INT QUIT ABRT TERM
```

- Start the report script using the following:

```
./report.sh -t "Weekly Report" -l ~/tmp/report.log -e all &
```

- While the job is running enter:

- `jobs` – take note of the job number
- `kill -ABRT %n` – where *n* is the job number
- Take note of the termination message from the script and from the shell

- Start the report script again

- While the job is running enter:

- `ps -u <user>` – where <user> is your id
- Take note of the process id (PID)
- What does the PPID field report
- Wait a few seconds and enter the above command again
- What do you notice about the PID/PPID values?
- What happens if you issue `kill -ABRT <PID>`

- Look at `report.broken`
- Identify and correct all the mistakes:
 - `diff -U5 report.sh report.broken`
- Once fixed rename to `report.new`
- Update this program to process data for Saturday
- Update the appropriate directory structure to support Saturday processing
- Extra credit: Use the mail command to send a note to a user when the job completes
 - Report the completion status

```
mail -t << _EOF
To: user@node.domain
From: BatchSystem

Text
_EOF
```