Introduction to Writing and Using Shell Scripts

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Course Outline



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

//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&DAYIN001,DISP=SHR
//IN2	DD	DSN=TMP.&RUN&DAYIN002,DISP=SHR
//IN3	DD	DSN=TMP.&RUN&DAYIN003,DISP=SHR
//OUT	DD	DSN=TMP.&RUN&DAYNEALE(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'
/*		

Running the Application on Linux...



report Program takes several parameters:

...Running the Application on Linux

Without a script...

```
Pexport SYSIN_1=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.001
Pexport SYSIN_2=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.002
Pexport SYSIN_3=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/Input.003
Pexport SYSOUT=$HOME/tmp/Testing/Monday/neale/Output
Pexport REPORT=MON
Pexport PATH=$PATH:.
Preport -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

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Lab 1 – 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 1 - 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?

Our Objective



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
   -1 - 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, THUrsday, FRIday, ALL
```

Shells



- 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

Shells



- 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
- 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

Shell Scripts

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

Environment Variables



- Environment variables are global settings that control the function of the shell and other Linux programs. They are sometimes referred to 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`

Environment Variables



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



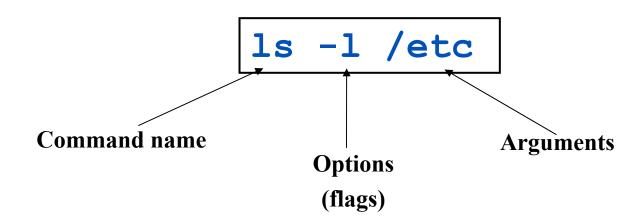
- Use set/export/env to display current variables
- Set your own variables

```
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 it 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:



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

How our Script uses it

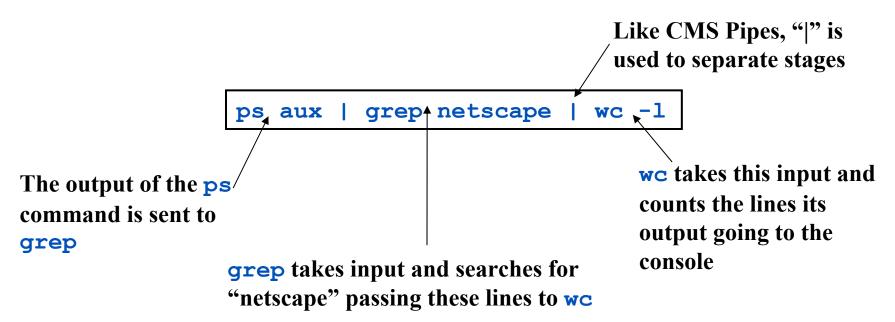
```
if [ $xflag -eq 0 ]; then
   if [ $1flag -eq 0 ]; then
       report "$VSTR" "$TSTR"
   else
       report "$VSTR" "$TSTR" >>$LOGFILE 2>&1
    fi
else
    if [ $1flag -eq 0 ]; then
       report "$VSTR" "$TSTR" 2>>$ERRFILE
   else
       if [ $LOGFILE = $ERRFILE ]; then
           report "$VSTR"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

The input of a command may come from a file:



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



- 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. 1s 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
- csh 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

Simple Variables

- 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

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

Examine the difference of using single quotes

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) {</pre>
           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);
```

Assignment

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

Array Variables



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

Accessing Parameters

- 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.

Lab 5



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

Accessing Parameters

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:

Option of sh command:

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.

Comparison Functions

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.

Comparison Functions



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 -1t \$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.

Comparison Functions



- 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 ;;.
       ;;
                           Test match to pattern2
      pattern2)
          statement
                              If match, then execute
          statement
       ;;
             Close the case with esac.
esac
```

The Case Construct



- 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)
 - -1 Logfile (next operand in 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)

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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";;
       1) 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

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</pre>
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"
   qflaq=1
fi
if [ $qflaq -eq 1 ]; then
   DIR="Testing"
else
   DIR="Production"
fi
if [ $xflag -eq 1 ]; then
   rm -f $ERRFILE
fi
if [ $1flag ]; then
   rm -f $LOGFILE
fi
```

Looping Through a List



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

```
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 [ $RC -ne 0 ]; then
                    abort -3
                fi
            done
            ;;
        *)
           usage;;
   esac
done
```

Arithmetic Functions...



Arithmetic Expressions



& bitwise AND

bitwise exclusive OR

bitwise OR

&& logical AND

■ | | logical OR

expr?expr:expr conditional evaluation

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

Subroutines

- 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



```
#!/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
```

Debugging Shell Scripts



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] cess id>
- killall [-SIGNAL] process name>

...Monitoring Jobs



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
```

Lab



Start the report script using the following:

./report.sh -t "Weekly Report" -1 ~/tmp/report.log -e all &

While the job is running enter:

- jobstake 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</pre>
```