

# Bash Scripts

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# Creating a Script

## Hello World

```
#!/bin/bash  
echo "Hello World!"
```

## Output

```
james@cptnjk:~/Dropbox/cs253 Grading/scripting/code$ ./helloWorld.bash  
Hello World
```

# Running a Script

## Steps to execution

- Make it executable
- ./scriptName

## Without executable permissions

```
james@cptnjdk:~/Dropbox/cs253 Grading/scripting/code$ ls -l
total 12
-rw-rw-r-- 1 james james 2507 Feb  3 08:59 calcTest.bash
-rw-rw-r-- 1 james james  161 Feb  3 08:58 divline.bash
-rw-rw-r-- 1 james james   32 Feb  3 09:17 helloWorld.bash
```

# Running a Script

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- `./scriptName`

## With executable permissions

```
james@cptnjk:~/Dropbox/cs253 Grading/scripting/code$ chmod +x helloWorld.bash
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- Hold the command line arguments to scripts
  - Named: 1, 2, 3, etc.
  - Denoted: \$1, \$2, \$3,...
- Special Parameters: 0, #, @
  - 0: Holds the name of the script as it was invoked
  - #: Holds the number of command line arguments
  - @: Expands to the positional parameters, starting from one

## Single Command Line Argument (pp1.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
echo Command Line Argument $#: $1
```

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## Multiple Command Line Argument (pp2.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
echo
echo Number of Arguments: $#
echo
echo $1 :: $2 :: $3 :: $4
echo
```

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## Special Parameter: 0 (pps1.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
echo Command Line Argument $#: $0
```

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## Special Parameter: @ (divline.bash)

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#!/bin/bash
echo
echo =====
echo $@
echo =====
echo
```



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## Special Parameter: @ (pps2.bash)

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echo
echo Number of Arguments: $#
echo
echo $0 :: $1 :: $2 :: $3 :: $4
echo
echo $@
echo
```

# Bash Supported Flow Control Concepts

- if/else
  - execute a list of statements if a certain condition is/is not true
- for
  - execute a list of statements a fixed number of times
- while
  - execute a list of statements repeatedly while a certain condition holds true
- until
  - executes a list of statements repeatedly until a certain condition holds true
- case
  - execute one of several lists of statements depending on the value of a variable
- **In addition, bash provides a new type of flow-control construct:**
  - select
    - Allows the user to select one of a list of possibilities from a menu

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## Example (fc1.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash

if [ "a" \> "b" ]; then
echo "a > b"
else
echo "a < b"
fi
```

# Bash Supported Flow Control Concepts

- for
  - execute a list of statements a fixed number of times

## Example (fc2.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
for f in *.bash; do  
echo $f  
done
```

# Bash Supported Flow Control Concepts

- while
  - execute a list of statements repeatedly while a certain condition holds true

## Example (fc3.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
i=0;
while [ $i -lt 10 ]; do
let i++
echo $i
done
```

# Bash Supported Flow Control Concepts

- until
  - executes a list of statements repeatedly until a certain condition holds true

## Example (fc4.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
until [ -z "$1" ]  
do  
echo $1  
shift  
done
```

# Bash Supported Flow Control Concepts

- case
  - execute one of several lists of statements depending on the value of a variable

## Example (fc5.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash

case "$1" in
  start)
    echo "in start..."
    ;;
  stop)
    echo "in stop..."
    ;;
  status)
    echo "in status..."
    ;;
  restart)
    echo "in restart"
    ;;
  *)
    echo $"Usage: $0 {start|stop|restart|status}"
    exit 1
esac
```

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  - select
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## Example (fc6.bash)

```
#!/bin/bash

printf "Select your favorite animal:\n"
select term in \
    'Dolphin' \
    'Panda' \
    'Tiger' \
    'Bronco'
do
    case $REPLY in
        1 ) TERM=Dolphin;;
        2 ) TERM=Panda ;;
        3 ) TERM=Tiger ;;
        4 ) TERM=Bronco ;;
        * ) printf "invalid." ;;
    esac
    if [[ -n $term ]]; then
        printf "Your favorite animal is: $TERM\n"
        break
    fi
done
```



# File Attributes

Operator	True if...
-a <i>file</i>	<i>file</i> exists
-d <i>file</i>	-d <i>file</i> exists and is a directory
-e <i>file</i>	<i>file</i> exists; same as -a
-f <i>file</i>	<i>file</i> exists and is a regular file (not a directory, ...)
-r <i>file</i>	You have read permission on <i>file</i>
-s <i>file</i>	<i>file</i> exists and is not empty
-w <i>file</i>	You have write permission on <i>file</i>
-x <i>file</i>	You have execute permission on <i>file</i>
-N <i>file</i>	<i>file</i> was modified since last read
-O <i>file</i>	You own <i>file</i>
-G <i>file</i>	<i>file</i> 's group ID matches yours
file1 -nt file2	file1 is newer than file2
file1 -ot file2	file1 is older than file2

- fa1.bash

# Integer Conditionals

<b>Test</b>	<b>Comparison</b>
-lt	Less than
-le	Less than or equal
-eq	Equal
-ge	Greater than or equal
-gt	Greater than
-ne	Not equal

# Arithmetic Operators

<b>Operator</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
++	Increment by one (prefix and postfix)
--	Decrement by one (prefix and postfix)
+	Plus
-	Minus
*	Multiplication
/	Division (with truncation)
%	Remainder
>>	Bit-shift left
<<	Bit-shift right
&	Bitwise and
	Bitwise or
~	Bitwise not
!	Logical not
^	Bitwise exclusive or
,	Sequential evaluation

# String Comparison Operators

<b>Operator</b>	<b>True if...</b>
<code>str1 = str2</code>	str1 matches str2
<code>str1 != str2</code>	str1 does not match str2
<code>str1 &lt; str2</code>	str1 is less than str2
<code>str1 &gt; str2</code>	str1 is greater than str2
<code>-n str1</code>	str1 is not null (has length greater than 0)
<code>-z str1</code>	str1 is null (has length 0)

# Typed Variables

Option	Meaning
-a	The variables are treated as arrays
-f	Use function names only
-F	Display function names without definitions
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-r	Marks the variables read-only
-x	Marks the variables for export via the environment

## Examples

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## Examples

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- tv2.bash
- tv3.bash
- tv4.bash



# I/O Redirection and Pipes

## Examples of I/O and Pipes

- calcTest
- process
- sendGrade

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