

basic bash commands

- pwd : print working directory
- cd /path/to/dir : change directory
- ls /dir/to/list : list directory content (default is .)
- l : display the content on one column
- l : display the content with long listing format
- a : display the content of the directory (including hidden files)
- R : Display the content of the directory and the content of subdirectories
- mv /path/to/file /path/where/to/move : move or rename a file or a directory
- cp /path/to/file /path/where/to/copy : copy a file
- r : copy recursively (used to copy directory)
- rm /path/to/file : remove a file
- r : remove recursively (used to remove directories)
- f : force remove
- mkdir /path/dirName : create an empty directory
- rmdir /path/to/dir : remove a directory (works only if the directory is empty)

bash redirections

- command > file : redirect stdout to file. (creates the file if it doesn't exist and overwrite it if it does exist)
- command >> file : redirect stdout to file. (creates the file if it doesn't exist and append to the end if it does exist)
- command 2> file : redirect stderr to file (creates the file if it doesn't exist and overwrite it if it does exist)
- command 2>> file : redirect stdout to file. (creates the file if it doesn't exist and append to the end if it does exist)
- command &> file : redirect stdout and stderr to file (creates the file if it doesn't exist and overwrite it if it does exist)

bash redirections (cont)

- command &>> file : redirect stdout and stderr to file. (creates the file if it doesn't exist and append to the end if it does exist)
- command < file : redirect stdin to file.
- command1 | command2 : uses the output of command1 as the input of command2

file globbing regex

- \ : escape character. It deletes the signification of a special character
- ? : Any character, once.
- * : Any character, 0, 1 or many time.
- [...] : Any character that is in the class. ex: [abc], [a-z], [0-9]
- [^...]: Any character that is not in the class. ex: [^abc], [^a-z], [^0-9]
- {s1, s2, sN} : match s1 or s2 or sN

control structure (if)

```
if <expression>; then
    [statements]
elif <expression>; then
    [statements]
else
    [statements]
fi
```

control structure (while)

```
while <expression>; do
    [statements]
done
```

control structure (for)

```
for var in <expression>; do
    echo $var
    [statements]
done
```

control structure (case)

```
# patterns are file globbing regex
case <expression> in
    pattern1)
        [statements]
        ;;
    pattern2)
        [statements]
        ;;
    *)
        [statements]
        ;;
esac
```

function definition

```
function functionName {
    [statements]
    [return X]
}
```

conditional expressions

- && : logical and operator
- || : logical or operator
- [[string]] : return 0 if string is not empty
- [[-z string]] : return 0 if the string is empty
- [[string1 == string2]] : return 0 if the string are equivalent
- [[string1 != string2]] : return 0 if the string are not equivalent
- [[string =~ pattern]] : return 0 if the string matches the pattern (extended regex)
- [[-e file]] : return 0 if the file exists
- [[-d file]] : return 0 if file is a directory
- [[-f file]] : return 0 if file is a file
- [[-x file]] : return 0 if file is executable
- [[\$n1 -eq \$n2]] : return 0 if \$n1 == \$n2
- [[\$n1 -lt \$n2]] : return 0 if \$n1 < \$n2
- [[\$n1 -gt \$n2]] : return 0 if \$n1 > \$n2
- [[\$n1 -ge \$n2]] : return 0 if \$n1 >= \$n2
- [[\$n1 -le \$n2]] : return 0 if \$n1 <= \$n2
- [[\$n1 -ne \$n2]] : return 0 if \$n1 != \$n2



more basic bash commands

- `passwd` : change your password
- `history` : consult the history of your command
- `jobs` : list of your pending processes
- `cat file1 file2 ...` : concatenate files and print to stdout
- `more / less file1 file2 ..` : display a file page by page on stdout
- `tail / head number` : display the "number" first or last line of a file on stdout
- `touch file1 file2 ...` : change the modification date of the files
- `chmod` : change the privileges of a file / directory
- `echo "text"` : display a line of text to stdout
- `sort file1 file2 ...` : sort the file (combine files if many are specified) and print the result to stdout (files aren't impacted)
- `-r` : sort in reverse order
- `-n` : numerical sort
- `-u` : delete duplicated lines
- `wc file1 file2 ...` : print to stdout the number of characters, words and lines of files
- `-l` : number of lines only
- `-w` : number of words only
- `-c` : number of characters only
- `diff file1 file2` : compare file1 and file 2 for differences
- `-i` : ignore the character case
- `-B` : ignore empty lines
- `-w` : ignore whitespaces
- `-c` : add context to the output (good for readability)
- `which commandName` : print the path of a command
- `pushd / popd /path/to/dir` : change directory using the directory stack
- `dirs` : print the directory stack
- `find /path/to/dir -name pattern` : find every files and directory that have a name that matches "pattern" in the directory specified and its subdirectories

more basic bash commands (cont)

- `man commandName` : Display the manual for command `commandName`
- `sudo command` : run the command as superuser
- `command1 | xargs -i command2` : uses the output of the `command1` as the input of the `command2`. output will be accessible via `{}` in `command2`

grep (simple regex)

- `grep "pattern" file1 file2 ...` : print the lines that matched the pattern
- `-v` : print lines that didn't match the pattern
- `-i` : ignore the character case
- `-l` : print the name of the files that have at least one match
- `-o` : print only the piece of line that matched the pattern
- `-E` : uses the extended regex
- `-q` : quiet. returns 0 in \$? if at least one line has been matched. 1 if no line matched

variables

- `VAR=VARVALUE` : create a variable `VAR`. the variable can be accessed like so: `$VAR` or `${VAR}`
- `VAR="$VAR2"` : `$VAR` will contains the value of `$VAR2`
- `VAR=${VAR2}` : `$VAR` will contains `$VAR2`
- `VAR=$(command)` : `$VAR` will contains the output of the command
- `((VAR = $VAR + 1))` : the double parentheses must be used when doing arithmetics
- `${VAR#pattern}` : return a substring of `VAR` where the smallest string (starting from the beginning) matching "pattern" will be cut
- `${VAR##pattern}` : return a substring of `VAR` where the longest string (starting from the beginning) matching "pattern" will be cut
- `${VAR%pattern}` : return a substring of `VAR` where the smallest string (starting from the end) matching "pattern" will be cut

variables (cont)

- `${VAR%%pattern}` : return a substring of `VAR` where the longest string (starting from the end) matching "pattern" will be cut
- `$?` : the exit status of the last command / function executed. usually 0 when everything went right.
- `$#` : the number of args passed to the script / function
- `$0` : the name of the script
- `$n` : the nth argument passed to the script / function
- `$@` : the list of all the argument passed to the script / function

Arrays

- `myArray=(value1 value2 value3)` : declare an array
- `declare -a myArray=(value1 value2 value3)` : declare an array
- `${myArray[index]}` : access an element (index starts at 0)
- `myArray[index]=` : add or modify the element at index
- `${#myArray[*]}` : return the length of the array
- `${myArray[*]}` : all the elements of the array

simple regex

- `\` : escape character. It deletes the signification of a special character
- `.` : joker. It represents any characters
- `*` : 0, 1 or many repetition of the last character / sequence of character
- `^` : The beginning of the line
- `$` : The end of the line
- `[...]` : Any character that is in the class. ex: `[abc]`, `[a-z]`, `[0-9]`
- `[^...]` : Any character that is not in the class. ex: `[^abc]`, `[^a-z]`, `[^0-9]`
- `\(...)` : Capture the pattern. The pattern can then be accessed with `\1`, `\2` ... `\n` depending on the number of capture in the regex
- `\{n\}` : n repetitions of the last character / sequence of character



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simple regex (cont)

`\{n,\}` : At least n repetitions of the last character / sequence of character

`\{n, m\}` : Between n and m repetitions of the last character / sequence of character

extended regex

`\` : escape character. It deletes the signification of a special character

`.` : joker. It represents any characters

`*` : 0, 1 or many repetition of the last character / sequence of character

`+` : 1 or more repetition of the last character / sequence of character

`?` : The last character / sequence of character can appear or not

`^` : The beginning of the line

`$` : The end of the line

`[...]` : Any character that is in the class. ex: `[abc]`, `[a-z]`, `[0-9]`

`[^...]` : Any character that is not in the class. ex: `[^abc]`, `[^a-z]`, `[^0-9]`

`s1|s2` : Either s1 or s2 but not both

`(...)` : change the priority

`{n}` : n repetitions of the last character / sequence of character

`{n,}` : At least n repetitions of the last character / sequence of character

`{n, m}` : Between n and m repetitions of the last character / sequence of character

sed (simple regex)

`sed 'sed script' file` : execute the script on every line of "file"

`s/pattern/newString/gI` : Substitute the piece of the line that matches "pattern" by "newString". g (optional): global, I (optional): ignore case

`/pattern/d` : delete the line if "pattern" is matched

`/pattern/p` : print the line if "pattern" is matched

sed (simple regex) (cont)

`/pattern1/,/pattern2/` : print every lines between the first line that matches "pattern1" to the first line that matches "pattern2"

`-i.ext` : Modifications done "in-place". A backup file will be created with .ext extension (it is optional)

`-n` : print only the lines that matched the pattern

awk (extended regex)

`awk -F'c' 'awk script' file1 file2 ...` (where "c" is the delimiter)

typical awk script: `'BEGIN {statements} /pattern/ {script statements} END {statements}'`

`BEGIN {}` : Will be executed once at the start

`END {}` : Will be executed once at the end

`/pattern/` : only lines that matched the pattern will be processed

`/pattern1/,/pattern2/` : every line from the first line that matches pattern1 to the first line that matches pattern2 will be processed

`{script statements}` : core of the script

`printf` : C-style formatter (man printf)

`$n` : the nth field of the line

`$0` : the entire line

`NR` : the record number

`NF` : the number of fields in the record

`FS` : The field separator (the delimiter)

