

Lecture 8: Bourne shell scripting (I)

Have you started HW3 yet?

Exit status

- Every command run returns an *exit status*
 - 0 = success
 - Anything else = failed, somehow
 - `$?` = exit status of last command
- `grep -q` – doesn't print anything
 - Only useful for exit status
 - What if `grep` didn't have `-q`?
- Argument to
 - Java's `System.exit`
 - C's `return` from `main()`

Signals

- What `kill` really does:
 - Send a “signal” to a process or job
 - Default = SIGTERM (TERMinate; please quit)
 - 9 = SIGKILL (KILL; extreme prejudice)
 - CTRL-C = SIGINT (INTerrupt)
- `yes > /dev/null (CTRL-C)`
 - `$? = 130 = 128 + 2; 2 = SIGINT`
- `yes > /dev/null; kill -9`
 - `$? = 137 = 128 + 9; 9 = SIGKILL`

Using exit status; if/else

- **if** `grep -q purple colors`
 - **then** `echo found purple`
 - **else** `echo did not find it`
 - **fi**
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- Newlines are important!

If/else in general

- **if** *command1*
- **then** *command2*
- **elif** *command3*
- **then** *command4*
- ...
- **else** *command5*
- **fi**

Semicolons

- Multiple commands on the same line – separate with semicolon
- Semicolon can substitute for a newline (but only for Bourne shell)
- **if** grep -q purple colors; **then** echo Yes; **else** echo No; **fi**

Other conditions: test

- `test -f /etc/password`
 - true if `/etc/password` exists and is a normal file – so true
- `test 25 -gt 7`
 - True if `25 > 7` – so true
- `test Hello = World`
 - True if `Hello = World` – so false
- Many other conditions
- Can be called `[` instead of `test` (need `]`)

Arguments to shell scripts

- `./myscript.sh 25 "Hello, World"`
- `$0` = name of the shell script
 - `$0` = `./myscript.sh`
- `$1` = first argument, `$2` = second, etc.
 - `$1` = `25`
 - `$2` = `"Hello, World"`
- `"$*"` = `"25 Hello, World"`
- `"$@"` = `"25" "Hello, World"`

equal.sh

- `#!/bin/sh`
- **if** [\$1 = \$2]; **then** echo Equal;
else echo Nope; **fi**
- `./equal.sh Red Red`
- `./equal.sh Red Blue`

For loops

```
for ii in 1 2  
do  
    echo $ii  
done
```

- Prints

- 1

- 2

- 3

A script with for

```
#!/bin/sh
```

```
for ii in "$@"; do
```

```
    echo $ii
```

```
done
```

Using for on the command line (sh/bash/ksh)

- **for** ff **in** *.doc; **do** cp \$ff \$ff.bak;
done
- **for** ff **in** *.jpg; **do** mv \$ff `echo \$ff
| sed -E 's/([0-9]+)-([0-9]+)-([0-9]+)
/\3-\2-\1/'`; **done**