# Lecture 6 

Shell Part II: sh, bash, ksh

Parsing and Quoting

## How the Shell Parses

- Part 1: Read the command:
- Read one or more lines a needed
- Separate into tokens using space/tabs
- Form commands based on token types
- Part 2: Evaluate a command:
- Expand word tokens (command substitution, parameter expansion)
- Split words into fields
- Setup redirections, environment
- Run command with arguments


## Useful Program for Testing

## /ftproot/okeefe/215/showargs.c

\#include <stdio.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
\{
int i;
for (i=0; i < argc; i++) \{ printf("Arg \%d: \%s\n", i, argv[i]);
\}
return(0);
\}

## Shell Comments

- Comments begin with an unquoted \#
- Comments end at the end of the line
- Comments can begin whenever a token begins
- Examples
\# This is a comment
\# and so is this
grep foo bar \# this is a comment
grep foo bar\# this is not a comment


## Special Characters

- The shell processes the following characters specially unless quoted:
| \& ( ) < > ; " ' \$ ` space tab newline
- The following are special whenever patterns are processed:
* ? [ ]
(turn off with set -o noglob)
- The following are special at the beginning of a word:
\# ~
- The following are special when processing assignments:
= [ ]


## Token Types

- The shell uses spaces and tabs to split the line or lines into the following types of tokens:
- Control operators (|, ||)
- Redirection operators (<, >, >>)
- Reserved words (while, if)
- Assignment tokens (foo=bar)
- Word tokens (everything else)


## Operator Tokens

- Operator tokens are recognized everywhere unless quoted. Spaces are optional before and after operator tokens.
- I/O Redirection Operators:
\gg\gg| >\& \ll\ll<- <\&
- Each I/O operator can be immediately preceded by a single digit
- Control Operators:
| \& ; ( ) || \&\& ;


## Shell Quoting

- Quoting causes characters to loose special meaning.
- \ Unless quoted, \ causes next character to be quoted. In front of new-line causes lines to be joined.
- '... Literal quotes. Cannot contain '
- "..." Removes special meaning of all characters except \$, ", \ and `. The \is only special before one of these characters and new-line.


## Quoting Examples

```
$ cat file*
a
b
$ cat "file*"
cat: file* not found
$ cat file1 > /dev/null
$ cat file1 ">" /dev/null
a
cat: >: cannot open
```

FILES="file1 file2"
\$ cat "\$FILES"
cat: file1 file2 not found

## Simple Commands

- A simple command consists of three types of tokens:
- Assignments (must come first)
- Command word tokens (name and args)
- Redirections: redirection-op + word-op
- The first token must not be a reserved word
- Command terminated by new-line or ;
- Example:
- foo=bar $z=`$ date` print \$HOME x=foobar > q\$\$ \$xyz z=3


## Word Splitting

- After parameter expansion, command substitution, and arithmetic expansion, the characters that are generated as a result of these expansions (if not inside double quotes) are checked for split characters
- Default split character is space or tab
- Split characters are defined by the value of the IFS variable (IFS=" " disables)


## Word Splitting Examples

FILES="file1 file2"<br>cat \$FILES<br>a<br>b<br>IFS=<br>cat \$FILES<br>cat: file1 file2: cannot open

IFS=x v=exit
print exit \$v "\$v"
exit e it exit

## Pathname Expansion

- After word splitting, each field that contains pattern characters is replaced by the pathnames that match
- Quoting prevents expansion
- set -o noglob disables
- Not in original Bourne shell, but in POSIX


## Parsing Example

## DATE=`date` echo \$foo > \ /dev/null

DATE=`date` echo \$foo $>/ \mathrm{dev} / \mathrm{null}$
assignment
word param
redirection
echo hello there
/dev/null

## The eval built-in

- eval arg ...
- Causes all the tokenizing and expansions to be performed again


## Input/Output Shell Features

- Standard input, output, error
- Redirection
- Here documents
- Pipelines
- Command substitution
- Exit status
- \$?
- \&\&,||,if,while
- Environment
- export, variables
- Arguments

- Command substitution
- Variables
- Wildcards


## Power of the Shell

- The shell is a language that lets you use programs as you would use procedures in other languages
- Called with command line arguments
- If used in if, while statements programs behave like functions returning a boolean value
- /bin/true: Program that just does exit(0)
- /bin/false: Program that just does exit(1)
- If used in command substitution, programs behave like functions returning a string
- Environment behaves like global variables


## test Summary

- String based tests
-z string
-n string
string1 = string2
string1 != string2
string
- Numeric tests
int1 -eq int2
int1 -ne int2
-gt, -ge, -lt, -le
- File tests
-r file
-w file
-f file
-d file
-s file
- Logic
!
-a, - 0
( expr )

Length of string is 0
Length of string is not 0
Strings are identical
Strings differ
String is not NULL

First int equal to second First int not equal to second greater, greater/equal, less, less/equal

File exists and is readable
File exists and is writable
File is regular file
File is directory
file exists and is not empty

Negate result of expression
and operator, or operator
groups an expression

## Example

```
#!/bin/sh
if test -f /tmp/stuff && \
    [ `wc -l < /tmp/stuff` -gt 10 ]
then
            echo "The file has more than 10 lines"
else
    echo "The file is nonexistent or small"
fi
```


## Arithmetic

- No arithmetic built in to /bin/sh
- Use external command /bin/expr
- expr expression
- Evaluates expression and sends the result to standard output
- Yields a numeric or string result

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{expr} 4 \text { "*" } 12 \\
& \operatorname{expr} \backslash(4+3 \backslash) \backslash * 2
\end{aligned}
$$

## for loops

- Different than C:
for var in list do command done
- Typically used with positional params or a list of files:
sum=0
for var in "\$@"
do
sum=`expr \$sum + \$var` done
for file in *.c ; do echo "We have \$file" done


## Case statement

- Like a C switch statement for strings:
- case \$var in
opt1) command1
command2
;
opt2) command
;
*) command
;;
esac
-     * is a catch all condition


## Case Example

```
#!/bin/sh
echo "Say something."
while true
do
    read INPUT_STRING
    case $INPUT_STRING in
        hello)
            echo "Hello there."
            ;;
            bye)
                echo "See ya later."
                    ;;
    *)
        echo "I'm sorry?"
        ;;
    esac
done
echo "Take care."
```


## Case Options

- opt can be a shell pattern, or a list of shell patterns delimited by |
- Example:

case \$name in

*[0-9]*)
echo "That doesn't seem like a name."
J* $\mathbf{K}^{*}$ )
echo "Your name starts with J or K, cool."
; ;
*)
echo "You're not special."
; ;
esac

## Types of Commands

All behave the same way

- Programs
- Most that are part of the OS in /bin
- Built-in commands
- Functions
- Aliases


## Built-in Commands

- Built-in commands are internal to the shell and do not create a separate process. Commands are built-in because:
- They are intrinsic to the language (exit)
- They produce side effects on the process (cd)
- They perform much better
- No fork/exec


## Important Built-in Commands

exec
cd
shift
(un)set
wait
umask
exit
eval
time
export
trap : set signal handlers

## Important Built-in Commands

continue : continue in loop<br>break : break in loop<br>return : return from function<br>true<br>read file of commands into<br>current shell; like \#include

## Reading Lines

- read is used to read a line from a file and to store the result into shell variables
- read -r prevents special processing
- Uses IFS to split into words
- If no variable specified, uses REPLY
read
read -r NAME
read FIRSTNAME LASTNAME


## trap command

- trap specifies command that should be executed when the shell receives a signal of a particular value.
- trap [ [command] \{signal\}+]
- If command is omitted, signals are ignored
- Especially useful for cleaning up temporary files
trap 'echo "please, dont interrupt!"' SIGINT
trap 'rm /tmp/tmpfile' EXIT


## Functions

Functions are similar to scripts and other commands except that they can produce side effects in the callers script. The positional parameters are saved and restored when invoking a function. Variables are shared between caller and callee.
Syntax:
name ()
\{
commands
\}

## Aliases

- Like macros (\#define in C)
- Shorter to define than functions, but more limited
- Not recommended for scripts
- Example:
alias rm='rm -i'


## Search Rules

- Special built-ins
- Functions
- command bypasses search for functions
- Built-ins not associated with PATH
- PATH search
- Built-ins associated with PATH
- Executable images


## Script Examples

- Rename files to lower case
- Strip CR from files
- Emit HTML for directory contents


## Rename files

```
#!/bin/sh
for file in *
do
    lfile=`echo $file | tr A-Z a-z`
    if [ $file != $lfile ]
    then
        mv $file $lfile
    fi
done
```


## Remove DOS Carriage \#!/bin/sh Returns

TMPFILE=/tmp/file\$\$
if [ "\$1" = "" ]
then

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { tr -d '\r' } \\
& \text { exit } 0
\end{aligned}
$$

fi
trap 'rm -f \$TMPFILE' EXIT
for file in "\$@"
do
if tr -d '\r' < \$file > \$TMPFILE then
mv \$TMPFILE \$file
fi
done

## Generate HTML

\$ dir2html.sh > dir.html


| arctoc.sh | dir.html | dir2html.sh | foo foo.tar |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| old | striper.sh | tolower.sh |  |

## The Script

\#!/bin/sh

```
if test -n "$1"
then
    cd "$1"
fi
cat <<HUP
    <html>
    <h1> Directory listing for $PWD </h1>
    <table border=1>
    <tr>
HUP
num=0 # global variable counting file number
for file in *
do
    genhtml $file # this function is on next
page
done
cat <<HUP
</tr>
</table>
</html>
```


## Funciton genhtml

```
genhtml()
{
    file=$1
    echo "<td><tt>"
    if [ -f $file ]
    then echo "<font color=blue>$file</font>"
    elif [ -d $file ]
then echo "<font color=red>$file</font>"
else echo "$file"
fi
echo "</tt></td>"
# Check if this is the end of the row
num=`expr $num + 1`
if [ $num -gt 4 ]
then
    echo "</tr><tr>"
        num=0
    fi
}
```


## Korn Shell / bash Features

## Command Substitution Syntax

- Better syntax with $\$$ (command)
- Allows nesting
- x=\$(cat \$(generate_file_list))
- Backward compatible with `...`notation


## Expressions

- Expressions are built-in with the [ [ ]] operator if [[ \$var = "" ]] ...
- Gets around parsing issues when using /bin/test, allows checking strings against patterns
- Operations:
- string == pattern
- string! $=$ pattern
- string1 < string2
- file1 -nt file2
- file1 -ot file2
- file1 -ef file2
- \&\&,||
- Patterns:
- Can be used to do string matching

```
if [[ $foo = *a* ]]
if [[ $foo = [abc]* ]]
```


## Additonal Parameter Expansion

- \$\{\#param $\}$ - Length of param
- \$\{param\#pattern\} - Left strip min pattern
- \$ \{param\#\#pattern\} - Left strip max pattern
- \$\{param\%pattern\} - Right strip min pattern
- \$ \{param\%\%pattern\} - Right strip max pattern
- \$\{param-value\} - Default value if param not set


## Variables

- Variables can be arrays
- foo[3]=test
- echo \$\{foo[3]\}
- Indexed by number
- \$\{\#arr \} is length of the array
- Multiple array elements can be set at once:
- set -A foo a b c d
- echo \$\{foo[1]\}

Set command can also be used for positional params: set a b c d; print \$2

## Functions

- Alternative function syntax: function name \{ commands
\}
- Allows for local variables (with typeset)
- \$0 is set to the name of the function


## Additional Features

- Built-in arithmetic: Using \$((expression ))
- e.g., print \$(( 1 + 1 * $8 / \mathrm{x}$ ))
- Tilde file expansion
~ \$HOME
~user home directory of user
~+
~ \$PWD
\$OLDPWD


## Printing (ksh only)

- Built-in print command to replace echo
- Not subject to variations in echo
- Much faster
- Allows options:
-u\# print to specific file descriptor


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## Variable Attributes

- By default attributes hold strings of unlimited length
- Attributes can be set with typeset:
- readonly (-r) - cannot be changed
- export (-x) - value will be exported to env
- upper (-u) - letters will be converted to upper case
- lower (-l) - letters will be converted to lower case
- ljust (-L width) - left justify to given width
- rjust (-R width) - right justify to given width
- zfill (-Z width) - justify, fill with leading zeros
- integer (-I [base]) - value stored as integer
- float (-E [prec]) - value stored as C double
- nameref (-n) - a name reference


## Name References

- A name reference is a type of variable that references another variable.
- nameref is an alias for typeset - $\mathbf{n}$
- Example:
user1="jeff"
user2="adam"
typeset -n name="user1"
print \$name
jeff


## New Parameter Expansion

- \$ \{param/pattern/str\} - Replace first pattern with str
- \$ $\{$ param//pattern/str\} - Replace all patterns with str
- \$\{param:offset:len\} - Substring


## Patterns Extended

- Additional pattern types so that shell patterns are equally expressive as regular expressions
- Used for:
- file expansion
- [[ ]]
- case statements
- parameter expansion

| ? | $\cdot$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| * | . * |
| [...] | [. . . ] |
| [! . . ] | [ $\sim . .$. |
| ? (...) | (...)? |
| * (...) | (...)* |
| + (...) | (. . . ) + |
| @ (...) | (...) |
| ! (...) |  |
| $a \mid b$ | $\mathrm{a} \mid \mathrm{b}$ |
| $a \& b$ |  |
| \{n\} (...) | (...) $\{\mathrm{n}\}$ |
| $\{\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{n}\}$ (...) | (...) $\{\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{n}\}$ |
| $\backslash d$ | $\backslash d$ |

Patterns

alb
$a \& b$

Regular Expressions

## ANSI C Quoting

- \$'...' Uses C escape sequences \$'\t' \$'Hello\nthere'
- printf added that supports C like printing: printf "You have \%d apples" \$x
- Extensions
- \%b - ANSI escape sequences
- \%q - Quote argument for reinput
- \E - Escape character (033)
- \%P - convert ERE to shell pattern
- \%H - convert using HTML conventions
- \%T - date conversions using date formats


## Associative Arrays

- Arrays can be indexed by string, like awk
- Declared with typeset -A
- Set: name["foo"]="bar"
- Reference \$\{name["foo"] \}
- Subscripts: \$ \{ ! name [@] \}


## Coprocesses

- |\& operator supports a simple form of concurrent processing
- cmd $1 \&$
cmd runs as a background process whose standard input and output channels are connected to the original parent shell via a two way pipe.
- Can read and write from process with
- read -p
- print -p
- Note that echo couldn't be used. Why?


## C Expressions

- We have already seen built-in expressions with the [ [ ]] operator:
- [[ \$var = *foo* ]] \&\& print "contains foo"
- New operator ( ( ) ) for C-like numeric expressions:
- (( x > 10 )) \&\& print "x=\$x, greater than 10"
- (( $x++$ ))
- Note variables don't have to be used with $\mathbf{\$}$ inside parens
- Value of ( ( ) ) expression can be used with \$( ( ) )
- $y=\$((x+1))$
- print \$(( x * y - sin(y) ))


## Compound Variables

- Variables can contain subfields (like structures or classes)
- Syntax: variable name containing .
- Example:
cust=(name=Jeff zip=10003)
cust.state=NY
print \$\{cust.name\}
print \$\{!cust.*\}


## New for loop syntax

- Regular syntax:
for var in list do
done
- Additional syntax like C:
for (( initialization; condition; increment ))
do
done
- Example: for (( i=0; i < \$VAR; i++))


## Example: Word Count

\#!/home/unixtool/bin/ksh

```
integer l=0 w=0 c=0
```

while read -r LINE
do
(( l++ ))
set -- \$LINE
(( w += \$\# ))
(( c += \$\{\#LINE\}+1 ))
done < \$1
print "\$1 lines, \$w words, \$c characters"

## Example: Word Count

```
integer l=0 w=0 c=0
while read -r LINE
    do
        (( 1++ ))
set -- $LINE
    (( w += $# ))
    (( c += ${#LINE}+1 ))
done < $1
```

print "\$1 lines, \$w words, \$c characters"

- integer tag indicates variables will be used as integers
- while loop is a command, so redirection works


## Example: Word Count

```
integer l=0 w=0 c=0
while read -r LINE
do
    (( l++ ))
    set -- $LINE
    (( w += $# ))
    (( c += ${#LINE}+1 ))
done < $1
print "$l lines, $w words, $c characters"
```

- set -- \$LINE turns LINE into positional parameters (\$1, ...), splitting up the value with IFS
- \$\# is the number of positional parameters


## Example: Word Count

```
integer l=0 w=0 c=0
while read -r LINE
do
    (( l++ ))
    set -- $LINE
    (( w += $# ))
    (( c += ${#LINE}+1 ))
done < $1
print "$l lines, $w words, $c characters"
```

- \$\{\#LINE\} returns the length of the value of LINE
- We add 1 because the newline character is not part of LINE


## Example: Spell a Phone Number

Given a number, finds possible words that the number spells on a telephone.

Example:
\$ phonespell 8643
void

## Algorithm

- Create function combo that prints all combinations of words. Check those against the dictionary.
- function combo is recursive:
- Pass in part of number, part of word spelled



## Example: Spell a Phone Number

function combo
\{
typeset num=\$1 word=\$2
if [[ \$num = '' ]]
then print \$word
else typeset -L1 digit=\$num
for letter in \$\{get_letter[digit]\}
do combo "\$\{num\#?\}" "\$word\$letter"
done
fi
\}

- functions defined in ksh take arguments as positional parameters, like commands
- typeset makes a variable local


## Example: Spell a Phone Number

```
function combo
{
    tvpeset num=$1 word=$2
    if [[ $num = '' ]]
    then print $word
    else typeset -L1 digit=$num
    for letter in ${get_letter[digit]}
    do combo "${num#?}" "$word$letter"
    done
    fi
}
```

- End of recursion: If number is empty, just print the given word. Should end up happening for every combination


## Example: Spell a Phone Number

```
function combo
{
    typeset num=$1 word=$2
    if [[ $num = '' ]]
    then print $word
    else typeset -L1 digit=$num
    for letter in ${get_letter[digit]}
    do combo "${num#?}" "$word$letter"
    done
    fi
}
```

- Extract leftmost digit from num


## Example: Spell a Phone Number

```
function combo
{
    fi
}
```

    typeset num=\$1 word=\$2
    if [[ \$num = '' ]]
    then print \$word
    else typeset - L1 diait=\$num
        for letter in \$\{get_letter[digit]\}
        do combo "\$\{num\#?\}" "\$word\$letter'
        done
    - for loop goes through all letters that correspond to the number (stored in get_letter array, shown next slide)
- Recursively calls itself for each letter, taking off one character from the left (using the \# operator with pattern ?)


## Spell a Phone Number (cont')

```
set -A get_letter o i "a b c" "d e f" "g h i" "j k l" \}
``` "m n o" "p r s" "t u v" "w x y"
\# method 1
combo \$1 | comm -12 /usr/dict/words -
\# method 2
trap 'rm -f /tmp/full\$\$' EXIT
combo \$1 > /tmp/full\$\$
spell < /tmp/full\$\$ | comm -13 - /tmp/full\$\$
- set -A arrayname value value
- sets elements of an array all at once

\section*{Spell a Phone Number (cont')}
set -A get_letter o i "a b c" "d e f" "g h i" "j k l" \} "m n o" "p r s" "t u v" "w x y"
```


# method 1

combo \$1 | comm -12 /usr/dict/words -

```
\# method 2
trap 'rm -f /tmp/full\$\$' EXIT
combo \$1 > /tmp/full\$\$
spell < /tmp/full\$\$ | comm -13 - /tmp/full\$\$
- Call function combo with first argument, pipe to comm
- suppress fields 1 and 2 (show only matching lines)
- combo emits sorted lines, and dictionary is sorted so comm works well

\section*{Spell a Phone Number (cont')}
```

set -A get_letter o i "a b c" "d e f" "g h i" "j k l" \
"m n o" "p r s" "t u v" "w x y"

```
\# method 1
combo \$1 | comm -12 /usr/dict/words -
```


# method 2

trap 'rm -f /tmp/full\$\$' EXIT

combo $1 > /tmp/full$\$

spell < /tmp/full$$
| comm -13 - /tmp/full
$$
```
- Another method: use spell command
- Create temporary file storing combos
- Run through spell, generating list of misspelled words
- Pipe to comm, suppressing fields 1 and 3 (show correct words)

## Example: Mortgage Calculator

```
float rate=$1 principle=$2 payment
integer months years=$3
[[ $1 ]] || read -r 'rate?rate in per cent: '
[[ $2 ]] || read -r 'principle?principle:
[[ $3 ]] || read -r 'years?years to amoritization: '
print "\n\n\tprinciple\t$principle"
print "\trate\t\t$rate"
print "\tamortization\t$years"
```

(( months = years*12 ))
(( rate /= 1200. ))
(( payment = (principle*rate)/(1.-pow(1.+rate,-months)) ))

- Declare variables
- Read in unspecified inputs


## Example: Mortgage Calculator

float rate=\$1 principle=\$2 payment integer months years=\$3
[[ \$1 ]] || read -r 'rate?rate in per cent: '
[[ \$2 ]] || read -r 'principle?principle:
[[ \$3 ]] || read -r 'years?years to amortization: '
print "\n\n\tprinciple\t\$principle"
print "\trate\t\t\$rate"
print "\tamortization\t\$years"
(( months = years*12 ))
(( rate /= 1200. ))
(( payment = (principle*rate)/(1.-pow(1.+rate,-months)) ))

- Initialize values
- Uses built-in arithmetic (pow, floating point /)


## Example: Mortgage Calculator

```
printf "\tmonthly payment\t%8.2f\n\n" "$payment"
print '\tYears Balance'
print '\t======= ======='
for (( months=0; principle > 0; months++))
do (( principle *= (1.+rate) ))
    (( principle -= payment ))
    if (( ((months+1)%12) == 0 ))
    then printf "\t%d\t%8.2f\n" months/12 "$principle"
    fi
done
```

- Print table header
- Uses printf to format floating point number


## Example: Mortgage Calculator

```
printf "\tmonthly payment\t%8.2f\n\n" "$payment"
print '\tYears Balance'
print '\t====== ======='
```

```
for (( months=0; principle > 0; months++))
do (( principle *= (1.+rate) ))
    (( principle -= payment ))
    if (( ((months+1)%12) == 0 ))
    then printf "\t%d\t%8.2f\n" months/12 "$principle'
    fi
done
```

- C-style for loop with numerical calculations


## Documentation

- Web version of Learning the KornShell documents ksh93. Good for learning ksh.
- Glass documents ksh88 and bash
- UNIX in a Nutshell has a chapter that is a great ksh93 reference. Documents:
- Bourne shell compatible features
- ksh88 compatible features
- ksh93 features

