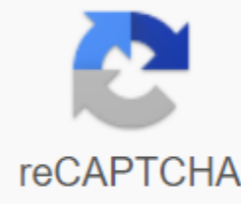




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Script completed! Details of the back-up note: ls-l \$output After a new version of our backup.sh script, the tar stderr message will not be displayed. The last concept that can be summarized in this section is the introduction of the shell. Aside from the aforementioned thick and thick descriptors the bash shell also has an input handle name stdin. Typically, the terminal input comes from the keyboard. Any keystroke you type in is accepted as a stdin. An alternative method is to take command input from the file using notation. Consider the following example where we first feed the cat command with the keyboard and redirect the output to file1.txt. Later, we allow the cat team to read input from file1.txt using notation: The function of the topic that we are going to discuss further, is the features. The features allow the programmer to organize and reuse the code, which increases the efficiency, speed of execution, and readability of the entire script. You can avoid using features and write any script without including any features. However, you will probably end up with chunky, inefficient and difficult troubleshooting code. You can think of the feature as a way to group different teams into one team. This can be extremely useful if the conclusion or calculation that you require consists of several commands, and this will be expected several times on the entire script. Features are defined by the keyword function, and then the function of the body is attached to the curly braces. The following video example identifies a simple shell function that will be used to print user data and make two functional calls, thus printing user data twice on the on Perform. The function name is user\_details, and the body function encased inside the curly braces consists of a group of two echo commands. Each time a function is called using the function name, both echo commands are performed in determining our function. It's important to note that the function definition should precede the function call, otherwise the script will return a feature that didn't find an error: As the video above shows, the function user\_details grouped by multiple commands in one new command user\_details. A previous video example also introduced another method when writing scripts or any program, for that matter, a method called indentation. Echo commands in user\_details functions were intentionally shifted to one right TAB, making our code more readable, easier to troubleshoot. With the indentation, it's much clearer to see that both echo commands below user\_details defining function. There is no general convention on how to indent the bash scenario, so it is up to each person to choose their own path to indent. Tab is used in our example. However, it's fine, instead of one TAB using 4 spaces etc. Having a basic understanding of Bash script features up our sleeve, let's add a new feature for our existing backup.sh script. We're going to program two new features to report a number of directories and files that will be included as part of the release of a compressed backup file. In!/bin/bash - This script is used to back up the user's home directory on /tmp/. user \$(whoami) input/home/\$user output/tmp/\$user (date +%Y-%m-%m-%d\_%H%M%S).tar.gz The function of total\_files reports the total number of files for this catalog. total\_files and find \$1-type f-wc-l - a feature total\_directories reports the total number of directories for this catalog. feature total\_directories - find \$1-type d-wc-l -- tar-czf \$output \$input 2/dev/null echo -n Files to be included: total\_files \$input Echo-n Catalogs to be included: Echo total\_directories \$input Backup \$input completed! Echo Details about the release of the backup file: ls-l \$output After reviewing the above backup.sh scenario, you'll notice the following changes in the code: we've identified a new feature called total\_files. The feature used find and wc commands to determine the number of files in the directory provided to it during the function call, we identified a new feature called total\_directories. Just like the above total\_files feature he used to find and WC command however it reports a number of directories in the catalog comes to it during the call function After the script update to include the new features, the execution of the script will provide a similar output to the one below: \$./backup.sh Files that are included:19 Catalogs to be included:2 included:2 /home / linuxconfig completed! Details of the backup file inference: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig 5520 August 16 11:01 /tmp/linuxconfig\_home\_2017-08-16-110121.tar.gz Numeric and String ComparisonsIn this section we are going to learn some of the basics of the number and string bash comparison. Using comparisons, we can compare lines (words, sentences) or price numbers, whether raw or variable. The following table lists rudimentary comparison operators for both numbers and lines: Bash Shell Numeric and String Comparisons Description Numeric Comparison String Comparison Shell Comparison Example: Echo \$? GNU - UNIX; Echo \$? smaller than -lt - more than -gt - equal -eq - not equal -ne! 'smaller or equal -le N/A more or equal -ge N/A After considering the above table, say we would like to compare numerical values such as two integrators 1 and 2. The following video example will first identify two variables \$a and \$b keep our overall values. Next, we use brackets and numerical comparisons of operators to perform the actual assessment. Using The Echo \$? commands, we check for the return value of the previously completed assessment. There's or two possible outcomes for each assessment, true or false. If the return value is 0, the comparison score is correct. However, if the return value is 1, the score leads to false. Using line comparison operators, we can also compare lines in the same way as when comparing numerical values. Consider the following example: If we translated the above knowledge into a simple bash shell script, the script would look like the one below. Using a string comparison operator, we compare two separate lines to see if they are equal. Similarly, we compare the two centners using a numerical comparison operator to determine whether they are equal in value. Remember that 0 signals are correct, while 1 points to the false: !/bin/bash string\_aUNIX string\_bGNU echoes Are \$string and \$string-B lines equal? \$string th \$string and Echo \$? num\_a 100 num\_b 100 echoes \$num equal \$numb? - \$num -eq \$num th b and echo \$? Save the above scenario, for example. comparison.sh file, make it executable and perform: \$chmod x x compare.sh \$./compare.sh Are UNIX and GNU lines equal? 1 ls 100 equal to 100? 0 In addition to educational value, the above script serves no other purpose. Comparison operations will make more sense once we learn about conditional applications such as if/else. Conditional applications will be covered in the next chapter, and this is where we put comparison operations for better use. SUBSCRIBE TO NEWSLETTER Subscribe to Linux Career NEWSLETTER and receive the latest Linux news, jobs, career tips and tutorials. Conditional statements now, it is time to give some logic to the backup scenario, including a few conditional statements. Conditional allow programmer programmer making decisions in the shell script based on certain conditions or events. Conditions that we mean, of course, if, then and again. For example, we can improve our backup script by implementing a sanity check to compare the number of files and directories in the source directory that we intend to back up and the resulting backup file. The pseudocode for this kind of implementation will be read as follows: if the number of files between the source code and the destination goal is equal, then print OK message, ELSE, seal ERROR. Let's start by creating a simple script bash featuring a major if/then/else build. 100 num\_a 200 num\_b if \$num -lt \$num-b; then the echo \$num-a less than \$num'b! Fi At this point still conditional was intentionally left, we will include it as soon as we understand the logic above the script. Save the script, for example, if\_else.sh and run it: Lines 3 - 4 are used to initiate integer variables. On Line 6 we start if the conditional block. Next, we compare the two variables, and if the comparison score is true, the Echo command will tell us on line 7 that the value within the variable \$num is smaller than the variable \$num'b. Line 8 closes our if conditional block with a keyword fi. An important point to make of running a script is that in a situation where the variable \$num more than \$numb, our script does not respond. This is where the last piece of the puzzle, otherwise conditional will come in handy. Update the script by adding another block and execute it: !/bin/bash num\_a400 num\_b x 200 if \$num -lt \$num'b; then the echo \$num'a less than \$num'b! More echoes \$num'a more than \$num'b! Fi Line 8 now has another part of our conditional block. If the comparison score on line 6 says a false code below another statement, we'll have a line 9. Equipped with this basic knowledge of conditional statements, we can now improve our script to verify sanity by comparing the difference between the total number of files before and after the backup command. Here's a new updated script backup.sh: !/bin/bash user/whoami-input/home/\$user output/tmp/\$-100/user/home \$(date +%Y-%-%-%d\_%H%M%S). function tar.gz total\_files - find the function \$1-type f-l - function total\_directories - find the function \$total\_archived\_files1-type d wc-l - total\_archived\_directories - resin -tzf \$1 r grep-v /\$ wc-l - tar -czf \$output \$input 2/dev/null src\_files\$(total\_files \$input) src\_directories \$(total\_directories \$input) arch\_files\$(total\_archived\_files \$output arch\_directories (total\_archived\_directories \$output) Echo Files to be included: \$src Echo Catalog files, to be included: \$src-catalogues Echo Files archived: \$arch files Echo Catalogs are archived: \$arch-catalogues - \$src -eq \$arch files; Then the Backup of \$input Echo echo is complete! Echo Details about the release of the backup file: ls-l \$output still echo Backup of \$input failed! Fi there are a few additions to the above scenario. The most important changes have been highlighted. Lines 15 - 21 are used to identify two new features that return the total number of files and directories included in the resulting compressed backup file. After running the backup line 23 on lines 25 to 29, we announce new variables to complete the total number of files and directories of sources and assignments. Backup variables are later used on lines 36 to 42 as part of our new if/then/else conditional statement returning a successful backup message on lines 37 to 39only if the total number of source and destination backup files is the same as indicated on line 36. Here is the execution of the script after the application of the above changes: \$./backup.sh Files to be included: 24 Directories to be included: 4 Files archived: 24 Directories archived: 4 Backup/home/linuxconfig completed! Details of the backup file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig 235569 Sep 12 12:43/tmp/linuxconfig\_home\_2017-09-12-124319.tar.gz Positional Settings So far our backup scenario looks great. We can count the number of files and directories included in the compressed backup file. In addition, our script also makes it easier to check sanity to confirm that all the files were properly backed up. The downside is that we always have to back up the current user's catalog. It would be great if the script was flexible enough to allow the system administrator to back up any selected system user's home directory by simply pointing the script to their home directory. When you use bash positional, this is a fairly simple task. Positional parameters are assigned using command line arguments and are available in the script as \$1, \$2...\$N variables. During the script, any additional items that come after the program's name are considered arguments and are available during the script. Consider the following example: Let's look at the above-mentioned example of Bash's script in more detail: !/bin/bash echo \$1 \$2 \$4 Echo \$ Echo \$ On Line 3 we print the 1st, 2nd and 4th positional parameters exactly as they come during the execution of the script. The third option is available, but is intentionally omitted on this line. Using line 4, we print the total number of arguments provided. This is useful when we need to check how many arguments the user has provided while running the script. Finally, to print all the arguments, \$E is used on the 5. Armed with knowledge of positional parameters, let's now backup.sh our script to take arguments from the command line. What we are looking for here is to allow the user to decide which directory directory Backup. If the user does not present any arguments while running the script, the default script will be to back up the current user's home directory. The new script is below: !/bin/bash This script is used to back up the user's home directory to /tmp/. If -z \$1; Then the user \$(whoami) still if th l -d /home/\$1 ; Then the Echo Requested \$1 custom home directory does not exist. Exit 1 fi user\$1 fi input/home/\$user output/tmp/\$-user/home\$(date +%Y-%-%-%d\_%H%M%S).tar.gz function total\_files - find the function \$1-type f-wc-l - function total\_directories - find the function \$total\_archived\_files1-type d wc l - total\_archived\_directories - resin -tzf \$1 grep -v/\$ wc-l - tar -czf \$output \$input 2 /dev/null src\_files\$(total\_files \$input) src\_directories \$(total\_files \$input) arch\_files \$(total\_archived\_files \$output) arch\_directories \$(total\_archived\_directories \$output) Echo Files to be included: \$src Echo Catalog files, to be included: \$src-catalogues Echo Files archived: \$arch files Echo Catalogs are archived: \$arch-catalogues - \$src -eq \$arch files; Above backup.sh The Update Script introduces several new bash script methods, but the rest for the code between the lines 5 - 13 should be by now self-evident. Line 5 uses the -z bash option in combination with a conditional if statement to check whether the \$1 positional option contains any value. -z just returns true if the length of the string, which in our case is variable \$1 is zero. If so, we \$user the variable in the current user's name. In another case, on line 8, we check whether the home directory of the requested user exists using the -d bash option. Note the exclamation point in front of the option -d. The exclamation point, in this case, acts as a denier. The default -D option returns correctly if the directory exists, hence ours ! just returns the logic and on line 9 we print an error message. Line 10 uses an exit command that causes the script to stop running. We also assigned a release value of 1 as opposed to 0, which means that the script was wrong. If the directory check is checked, on line 12 we assign \$user variable positional option \$1, as suggested by the user. Sample execution scenario: \$./backup.sh Files to be included: 24 Directories to be included: 4 Files archived: 24 Directories archived: 4 Backup/home/linuxconfig completed! Details of the backup file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig 235709 Sep 14 /tmp/linuxconfig\_home\_2017-09-14-114521.tar.gz\$./backup.sh abc123 Requested abc123 user home catalog does not exist. \$./backup.sh Damian Files to be included: 3 Directories to be included: 1 Files Archive: 3 Catalogs completed! Details of the backup file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig linuxconfig 2140 Sep 14 11:45/tmp/damian\_home\_2017-09-14-114534.tar.gz Bash Loops as expected, and its convenience was significantly increased compared to the original code presented at the beginning of this scenario. We can now easily back up any user directory by pointing the script to the user's home directory using positional settings while running the script. The problem only occurs when we need to back up multiple user directories on a daily basis. Therefore, this task very quickly will become tedious and time-consuming. At this point, it would be great to have the tools to back up any number of selected home directories of users with one backup.sh execute the script. Fortunately, the bash has us covered, since this task can be accomplished using loops. Loops are cyclically designs used to heareate through any specific number of tasks until all the elements in the listed are met or predetermined conditions are met. There are three main cycle types available for our removal. For Loop For, the loop is used to be iterated through any code for any number of items supplied in the list. Let's start with a simple example: the above for the loop used the echo command to print all the elements 1, 2 and 3 in the list. Using a short-colon allows you to cycle on a single command line. If we were to pass the above for the loop in the bash scenario, the code would look like this: !/bin/bash for i in 1 2 3; Do echo \$i made for a cycle comprised of four Shell Reserved Words: for, in, do, do. Thus, the above code can also be read as: FOReach INlist 1, 2 and 3 will temporarily assign each item to the i variable, after which DOecho \$i in order to print the item as STDOUT and continue to print until all elements of the INthe are made. Printing numbers is undoubtedly fun, but let's try something more meaningful rather than. Using a team replacement, as explained earlier in this tutorial, we can create any list that is part of the cycle building. The next slightly more complex example for the cycle will be to take the characters of each line for any file: Yes, when mastering, the power of GNU Bash knows no bounds! Not the time to experiment before moving forward. While the loop is the next cycle design in our list while looping. This cycle operates in this state. Meaning, it will keep the execution code attached with DOand DONEwhile specified condition is true. As soon as the condition becomes false, the execution stops. Consider the following example: counter0, while \$counter -lt 3; Let the counter No.1 echo \$counter while the loop will keep running the closed code only while the variable counter is less than 3. This condition is set on Line 4. During each cycle cycle on lines 5, the variable counter is infused with one. Once the variable counter is 3, the condition defined on lines 4 becomes false and the cycle stops. SUBSCRIBE TO NEWSLETTER Subscribe to Linux Career NEWSLETTER and receive the latest Linux news, jobs, career tips and tutorials. Before the loop Last Loop we are going to cover in this tutorial scenarios before the cycle. As long as the cycle does the exact opposite while the cycle. As long as the cycle also acts in a given state. However, the code between DOand DONEis repeatedly executed only until this condition changed from false to true. The pre-cycle run is illustrated with the example below: !/bin/bash counter6 until \$counter -lt 3; Let the counter-No.1 echo \$counter done if you understand the above while looping the script until the loop is somewhat self-evident. The script starts with a variable counter set at 6. A condition defined on line 4 of this particular until the cycle continues to run the closed code until the condition becomes true. At this point we can transform our understanding of loops into something tangible. Our current backup script is currently capable of backing up a single directory to run. It would be nice to be able to back up all the directories that are delivered to the script on the command line after it is executed. Browse the updated script below, which implements this new feature: !/bin/bash This bash script is used to back up the user's home catalog to /tmp/. Backup if z \$1 Then user \$(whoami) still if th ! -d /home/\$1 ; Then the Echo Requested \$1 custom home directory does not exist. 1 fi user\$1 fi input/home/\$user output/tmp/\$-user/home\$(date +%Y-%-%-%d\_%H%M%S function).tar.g the total\_files - find the function \$1-type f-wc-l - function total\_directories - find the function \$1-type d -l - function total\_archived\_directories - tar -tzf \$1 function total\_archived\_files resin -tzf \$1 y grep -v /\$wc-l - tar -czf \$output \$input 2 /dev/null src\_files\$(total\_files \$input) src\_directories \$(total\_directories \$input) arch\_files \$(total\_archived\_files \$output) arch\_directories \$(total\_archived\_directories \$output) I echo \$user Echo Files, which will be included: \$src to be included: \$src-catalogues Echo Files are archived: \$arch files Echo Catalogs in the archive: \$arch-catalogues, If \$src -eq \$arch then echo backup \$input completed! Echo Details about the backup file inference: ls-l \$output still echo backup \$input failed! Fi for the catalog in \$ ; Make a backup \$directory done; After seeing the script above, you may have noticed A new feature called backup on lines 5 - 57was created. This feature includes all of our previously written code. The function definition ends at line 57 after we introduced a new loop on the 59 - 51 to perform a new backup function for each user directory provided as an argument. If you remember, the \$E variable contains all the arguments provided on the command line when running the script. In addition, cosmetic changes to the code on line 44 are better readability of the output script by separating each catalog of backup output information from the hash line. Let's see how it works: \$./backup.sh the linuxconfig damian to be included: 4 Files archived: 27 directories archived: 4 Backup/home/linuxconfig completed! Details of the backup file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig 236173 Oct 23 10:22/tmp/linuxconfig\_home\_2017-10-23-1022 29.tar.gz Damian and files, to be included: 3 directories to be included: 1 Files archived: 3 Directories archived: 1 Backup/Home/Damian Completed! Details of the back-up file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig 2140 October 23 10:22/tmp/damian\_home\_2017-10-23-1022330.tar.gz Bash Bashes In the last section of this tutorial scripted, we will discuss some of the basics of bash arithmetic. The arithmetic in bashing scenarios will add another layer of complexity and flexibility to our scripts as it allows us to calculate numbers even with numerical accuracy. There are several ways to perform arithmetic operations in bash scripts. Let's look at some of them using a few simple examples. Arithmetic expansion Arithmetic expansion is probably the easiest method on how to achieve basic calculations. We just attach any mathematical expression inside the double brackets. Let's perform a few simple additions, subtraction, multiplication and dividing calculations with integers: expr commands Another alternative to arithmetic expansion expr team. Using the expr command allows us to perform arithmetic without even attaching our mathematical expression in brackets or quotes. However, be sure to avoid the asterisk multiplication sign to avoid expr: syntax error: let the team similarly, as with the expr team, we can perform bash arithmetic operations with let commands. let the team evaluate the mathematical expression and keep its result in a variable. We already faced let the team in one of our previous examples where we used it to perform an integrator increments. The following example shows some basic operations using let command as well as integrator increments and demonstration operations like x3:bc command After a few minutes of experimentation with the above bash arithmetic techniques, you may have noticed that they work perfectly with numbers, however when it comes to decimal numbers there is something wrong. we will need to use the bc team to take our arithmetic to a completely different level. BC team with proper syntax syntax for more than simple integer calculations. The operational command lead of the bc is quite extensive as it spans over more than 500 lines. However, it doesn't hurt to show some basic operations. The next example would be a division operation with 2 and 30 decimals and a square root of 50 with 50 decimal numbers. By default, the bc team will produce all results as an integer number. Use scale'x to instruct the B.C. team to show the real numbers: Let's put our new knowledge of Bash arithmetic to work and once again change our script backup.sh to implement the counter of all archive files and directories for all users: backup feature if -z \$1; Then user \$(whoami) still if th ! -d /home/\$1 ; Then the Echo Requested \$1 custom home directory does not exist. 1 fi user\$1 fi input/home/\$user output/tmp/\$-user/home\$(date +%Y-%-%-%d\_%H%M%S function).tar.g the total\_files - find the function \$1-type f-wc-l - function total\_directories - find the function \$1-type d -l - function total\_archived\_directories - tar -tzf \$1 function total\_archived\_files resin -tzf \$1 y grep -v /\$wc-l - tar -czf \$output \$input 2 /dev/null src\_files\$(total\_files \$input) src\_directories \$(total\_directories \$input) arch\_files \$(total\_archived\_files \$output) arch\_directories \$(total\_archived\_directories \$output) I echo \$user Echo Files, which will be included: \$src to be included: \$src-catalogues Echo Files are archived: \$arch files Echo Catalogs in the archive: \$arch-catalogues, If \$src -eq \$arch then echo backup \$input completed! Echo Details about the backup file inference: ls-l \$output still echo backup \$input failed! Fi for the catalog in \$ ; Make a backup \$directory let \$all-\$arch files \$arch directories done; TOTAL FILES Echo AND DIRECTORIES: \$all On Line 60 we used the supplement to add all the archival files using let the command resulting in a variable everything. Each iteration of the cycle adds a new score for each additional user. The result is then printed using the Echo command on line 62.Example execution scenario: \$./backup.sh linuxconfig damian -Linuxconfig - Files to be included: 27 directories to be included: 6 files archived: 6 Directories archived: 6 Backups/home/linuxconfig completed! Details of the backup file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig 237004 Dec 27 11:23/tmp/linuxconfig\_home\_2017-12-27-1123 59.tar.gz Damian and files, to be included: 3 directories to be included: 1 Files archived: 3 Directories archived: 1 Backup/Home/Damian Completed! Details of the backup file: -rw-r--r--r-- 1 linuxconfig linuxconfig 2139 December 27 11:23 TOTAL FILES AND DIRECTORIES: 37 Conclusion There Are Still Shell Bash than those covered in this textbook. However, before you move on, make sure you are comfortable with the topics discussed here. Aside from googling, there are numerous other resources available online to help you if you get stuck. The most notable and highly recommended of them all is the GNU Bash Handbook Guide. Manually, bash shell script tutorial for beginners. bash shell script tutorial pdf. bash shell script tutorialspoint. bash shell script tutorial for beginners pdf. advanced bash shell script tutorial. ubuntu bash shell script tutorial

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