

Shell Information

#!/bin/dash

first line of file

command > filename

write output to *filename*

command >> file

append output to *filename*

command 2> filename

write stderr to *filename*

command 2>&1

write stderr to stdout

command > file 2>&1

write stdout and stderr to *filename*

command < filename

input from *filename*

command << EOF

heredoc until *EOF*

command₁ | command₂

pipe output from *command₁*
as input to *command₂*

command₁ && command₂

execute *command₂* if *command₁*
has exit status zero

command₁ || command₂

execute *command₂* if *command₁*
does not have exit status zero

`$(expression)`
 expression evaluated as arithmetic

`$#` = count of command-line arguments
`$0` = name of currently executing command
`$1,$2,$3,...,$9,${10},...,${255}` = command-line arguments
`@` = list of all command-line arguments
`*` = list of all command-line arguments
`?` = exit status of previous command

`read varName`
 sets value of variable *varName* to
 next line read from `stdin`

`'str' = str`
`"str" = str with variables interpolated`
`'command' = output of command as string`
`$(command) = output of command as string`

Zero exit status means true/successful
Non-zero exit status means false/failure

`test expression`
`[expression]`
 returns *expression* result as exit status
 integer operators: `-lt,-gt,-eq,-ne,-ge,-le`
 string operators: `=, -z, -n`
 file operators: `-d, -e, -f, -s, -nt`

`exit Number`
 terminate script with exit status *Number*

`if Commanda ; then`
 Commands₁
`elif Commandb ; then`
 Commands₂
`else`
 Commands₃;

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fi

case Word in
  Pattern1) Commands1 ;;
  Pattern2) Commands2 ;;
  ...
  *)          Commandsn ;;
esac

while Command ; do
  Commands
done

for var in Word1 Word2 ...
do
  Commands
done

# Display lines from file
count=0
while read line
do
  count=$((count + 1))
  echo "Line $count: $line"
done <file

# Interactively rm files in current dir
for f in *
do
  echo -n "Remove $f? "
  read answer
  if test $answer = y
  then
    echo $f
  fi
done

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Regular Expressions

Atomic Patterns:

letters, digits, punctuation (except those below)

match any occurrence of themselves

`\.` `*` `\+` `\?` `\|` `\^` `\$` `\[` `\]`

match any occurrence of the second character

`.` (dot)

matches any single character

`(pattern)`

matches *pattern*

Anchors:

`^pattern`

matches *pattern* at the start of a line

`pattern$`

matches *pattern* at the end of a line

Selection:

`[charList]`

matches any single character in *charList*

`[^charList]`

matches any single character not in *charList*

`pattern1|pattern2|pattern3|...`

matches any of the *pattern_i*s

charLists use *c₁-c₂* to denote char ranges, and meta-characters lose their special meaning inside *charLists*

Repetition:

`pattern?`

zero or one occurrences of *pattern*

`pattern*`

zero or more occurrences of *pattern*

`pattern+`

one or more occurrences of *pattern*

`\w` matches alphanumeric, including `'_'`

`\s` matches whitespace

`\d` matches numeric

`\b` word boundary

pattern{*N*,*M*}

matches *N* to *M* occurrences of *pattern*