

Lecture #11 – Programming the Korn Shell (Chapter 12)

- Reading user input

Similar to Bourne shell (i.e. `$ read answer`)

New features:

```
# display prompt and read response from single command
$ read response?"Do you feel okay?"
```

```
# read from file descriptor number 3
$ read -u3 line
```

Examples:

```
while read -u3 line1 && read -u4 line2
do
    print "$line1:$line2"
done 3< file1 4< file2
```

- Math

```
$ typeset -i num
$ num=hello
/bin/ksh: hello: not a number
$ num=5 + 5
/bin/ksh: +: not found
$ num=5+5
$ echo $num
10
$ num="4 * 6"
$ echo $num
24
```

```
$ num=15
$ typeset -i2 num
$ print $num
2#1111
$ typeset -i8 num
$ print $num
8#17
```

The let command and (()):

```
$ i=5
$ let i=i+1
$ print $i
6

$ (( i = i * 6))
$ print $i
36
```

- Control flow commands

In general, Bourne shell syntax will work here (note a few additions)

Ksh supports a new version of the test command using [[]]:

String tests:

string = pattern	String matches pattern
string != pattern	String does not match pattern
string1 < string2	ASCII value of string1 is less than string2
string1 > string2	ASCII values of string1 is greater than string2
-n string	string is nonzero in length, nonnull parameter
-z string	string is zero in length, null parameter

Examples:

```
read answer

if [[ $answer = [Yy]* ]]
then
    echo "yes"
fi
```

Binary file testing:

file1 -nt file2	File1 is newer than file2
file1 -ot file2	File1 is older than file2
file1 -ef file2	File1 is another name for file2

Logical operators:

&&	Logical AND, replaces -a
	Logical OR, replaces -o

File tests:

-a file	file exists
-e file	file exists
-L file	file exists and is a symbolic link
-O file	file exists and owned by UID of running shell
-G file	same as -O but for group
-S file	file exists and is a socket

Numeric testing (can use let command here):

```
if (( $# < 1 ))
then
    print "usage: $0 <number>" 1>&2
    exit 1
fi
```

- select command

new command to display menu

Syntax:

```
select varname [in arg...]
do
    cmds
done
```

Example:

```
PS3="Please enter which fruit: "
```

```
select fruit in apple banana orange
do
    case $REPLY in
        1) echo "apple"
            break;;
        2) echo "banana"
            break;;
        3) echo "orange"
            break;;
    done
```

- Getopts (Option Processing)

UNIX Conventions for command line options

```
$ ls -l -r -t
$ ls -lrt
$ cc -o prog prog.c
```

getopts makes processing these options easier
getopts optstring varname [arg ...]

optstring is a list of the valid option letters (: follows letter if that option takes arg)
Leading colon means allows you to handle errors with “?” case
Example: “dxo:lt:r” means -d -x -o -l -t -r are valid options, and -o and -t take args

Varname is the variable to use for options (will use cmd line args if not specified)

OPTIND is 1 when scripts starts, and increments after each getopts call
OPTARG is the value of the argument for the option if one is required

Example:

Let’s say we want a program to take:

```
-b          to ignore white space at the start of input lines
-t <dir>    use this directory for temporary files
-u          translate all output to uppercase
```

```
SKIPBLANKS=
TMPDIR=/tmp
CASE=lower
```

```
while getopts :bt:u arg
do
    case $arg in
        b)
            SKIPBLANKS=TRUE;;
        t)
            if [ -d "$OPTARG" ]
            then
                TMPDIR=$OPTARG
            else
                print "$0: $OPTARG is not a directory."
                exit 1
            fi;;
        u)

```

```
        CASE=upper;;
    :)
        print "$0: You must apply an argument to $OPTARG."
        exit 1;;
    \?)
        print "Invalid option $OPTARG ignored";;
    esac
done
shift $((OPTIND-1))
```

Using VI

- vi History

The original UNIX editor was called **ed** (line based)

Later, **ex** was introduced as a superset to **ed** (added optional screen mode)

Screen mode was so popular; they made a hard link to vi, which starts ex in screen mode

Linux introduced “vim” which is “vi” with a few added improvements

- General

Commands are case sensitive

vi uses a work buffer (i.e. chg are not made to your file until you write or save & exit)

You can write to a different file name with (:w filename)

vi -r filename to recover from a crashed terminal session

- Display

Status is shown on the last line (often line 24)

Sometimes text lines will be shown as @ and can be redrawn with ^L or ^R from command mode

~ lines indicate positions beyond the end of the file

- Cursor Movement

h, j, k, l Move cursor left, down, up, or right
(If you type a number, then h, j, k, or l you will move that many char)

w forward word

b back one word

H Go to top of screen

M Go to middle of screen

L Go to bottom of screen

^D Down a half screen

^U Up a half screen

^F Forward full screen

^B Back full screen

#G Go to a specific line number

G, \$ Go to end of file

- Editing commands

I	Go to beginning of line, and change to insert mode
A	Go to end of line, and change to insert mode
o, O	Open a blank line below (above), and change to insert mode
r	Replace single character
R	Replace (overwrite) until <ESC>
^V	Escapes the next character (so you can type special characters)
u	undo

See ‘d’ commands on p. 434

dd	delete current line
dw	delete word
d/<text>	delete forward up to but not including the next occurrence of “text”

See ‘c’ commands on p. 435

cw	change to end of word
cc	change current line

- Search and Replace

/string/<return>	Search for string (can be regular expression)
/	Repeat previous search (n)
?	Find in reverse direction (N)
:[address]s/search/replace/g	address is current line if omitted otherwise, address can be line number or range (. is current line, % is whole buffer, \$ is last line) g is for replacing multiple occurrences on same line

- Miscellaneous

J	Join current line with next line
^G	Display status information
:f	File Information
.	Repeat previous command
yy	Yank current line to general buffer
p, P	put yanked line from general buffer below (above) current line

- Named Buffers

There are 26 named buffers (identified by lowercase letter)

“[a-z]#yy Yank # lines into named buffer [a-z]

“[a-z]p Put lines from named buffer [a-z] below current line

- Read and write

:r file Read a file and place contents at current line

:w[!] file Write to another file name (! Forces)

:[address]w >> file Write a range of lines and append to a file