

Practice Course

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How to have a beautiful source code

The return code

You have to control the return code (\$?). In function you must use the command **return** <ReturnCode>, and in the *main function* you must use the command **exit** <ReturnCode>

Beware the **return** command immediately exits the function. The **exit** command terminates the script (even if the exit command is inside a function)

Check your input

However the input data is retrieved, it should always be checked.

- if a file must be read, it must already be known whether the file exists
- if you have to do an arithmetic operation, you have to know if it's numbers (pay attention to the division by 0)
- ...

A lot of checking exist in `test` command (see Comparison rules).

Indentation

Do you prefer this code :

```
1 function action () { echo -ne "${1}\t";shift;${*};rc=${?};\  
2 [ ${rc} -eq 0 ] && echo '[OK]' || \  
3 echo '[KO]';return ${rc};}
```

or this ?

```
1 function action () {  
2     echo -ne "${1}\t"  
3     shift  
4     ${*}  
5     rc=${?}  
6     [ ${rc} -eq 0 ] && echo '[OK]' || echo '[KO] '  
7     return ${rc}  
8 }
```

I prefer the second script. The intention is a matter of taste. But it must at least be homogeneous throughout the script. remember to ventilate your code (an empty line is not expensive, but it makes the code more readable).

Comments

Add a lot of comments in your script. Why ?

- if you take your code after 6 months, you will understand it more easily
- if you give your code to someone else, they will understand it more easily
- the user of your code will understand these errors more easily
- ...

Script Construction

All project in test / production environment are based on requirement.

This requirements are necessary to be sure that the final creation do what we/they want.

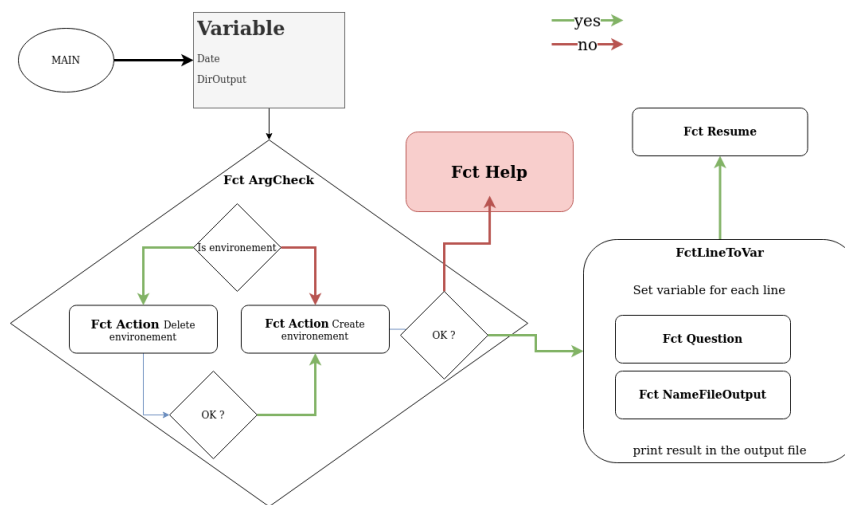
Requirement

this script aims to classify the former students present during a meeting

Here we will create a script with this requirement :

- The script name is : alumni-reunion.sh
 - The script must parse a csv file given in the first argument
 - the csv file format is : NAME;SURNAME;YEAR;LEVEL (file path : /data/admin/list/student-list)
 - for each line in the csv file the script the script ask : "SURNAME NAME is present ? (y/n)"
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- The answer have to be y or n and you don't need to use Enter key to valid
 - The script have to create a directory with the date (ex : /data/admin/result/2022-09-27)
 - Each time the answer is y or n you have to append in the first argument in a new file (dir path : /data/admin/result/YYYY-MM-DD/)
 - The results files are sorted by the group [year][level] (ex : /data/admin/result/YYYY-MM-DD/student-list_2020-M1) .
 - The format of the contents files is : NAME;SURNAME;YEAR;LEVEL;[here|absent]
 - The script end with a summary for all created files and the sum of present/absent count (need a header : FILE | present | absent |

Algo



Classic Function

The classic functions needed in the script are the following:

- Check or Action to verify each command
- Help or Usage to print information about the script himself
- ArgCheck to check the argument or the type of argument

Specific Function

We need for each script to analyse the requirements to translate each of them in a function or a bash code.

- LineToVar : translate each column line in a specific variable (Name=[...] Surname=[...])
- Question : ask to the user the question “SURNAME NAME is present ? (y/n)” and echo the result translated in STDOUT of the function
- NameFileOutput : Create the variable output file /data/admin/result/student-list_YYYY-LEVEL with the data of LineToVar and the result of Question
- Resume : Print all the created file with the sum of present/absent count (like : FILE : 12 2)

Output

Output (First start)

```

1 isen@astier_g_client ~ $ ./alumni-reunion.sh list-student.csv
2
3 * Create environnement /data/admin/result/2022-09-28 : OK
4 KADE Anthony is present ? (y/n) : y
5 LILIAN Giles is present ? (y/n) : y
6 [...]
7 ASIA Petty is present ? (y/n) : n
8
9 FILE | present | absent
10 -----
11 student-list_2013-M2 | 0 | 1
12 student-list_2018-M2 | 1 | 0
13 student-list_2020-M2 | 1 | 0
14 -----
15 TOTAL | 2 | 1

```

Output (restart)

```

1 isen@astier_g_client ~ $ ./alumni-reunion.sh /data/admin/list/student-
  list
2 /data/admin/result/2022-09-28 exist \
3 do you want to continue (delete all data) (y/n) : y
4 * Clean environnement : OK
5 KADE Anthony is present ? (y/n) : y
6 LILIAN Giles is present ? (y/n) : y
7 [...]
8 ASIA Petty is present ? (y/n) : n
9
10 FILE | present | absent
11 -----
12 student-list_2013-M2 | 0 | 1
13 student-list_2018-M2 | 1 | 0
14 student-list_2020-M2 | 1 | 0
15 -----
16 TOTAL | 2 | 1

```

Function

REMINDER : ALL function have to be on the top of the script before the main !!!

Help

The Help function is only here to print information and exit. If something go wrong you can use this function to exit the script

```
1 # Print the help and exit
2 function Help() {
3     echo "${basename $0} [absolute or relative path file]"
4     [[ ! -z $1 ]] && [[ $(let $1) ]] && Exit=$1 || Exit=0
5     exit ${Exit}
6 }
```

Action

The Action function get 2 argument :

- what we need to print
- The command to exec (no stdout/stderr)

```
1 # Print info exec and status
2 function Action () {
3     # Print the first argument without \n in the end (-n)
4     echo -ne "\n\* $1 : "
5     # Shift to the left
6     shift
7     # execute all the argument like a classic command but redirect
      in /dev/null
8     $* &> /dev/null
9     ResultExec=$?
10    # Check the result and print OK/Failed
11    if [[ ${ResultExec} -eq 0 ]]
12    then
13        echo OK
14    else
15        echo Failed; Help ${ResultExec}
16    fi
17 }
```

Check

You can use Check or Action but Check is used differently.

```

1 function Check() {
2     HaveToExit=$2
3     [[ ${HaveToExit} -eq 1 ]] && $Help ${ResultExec}
4     if [[ $1 -eq 0 ]]
5     then
6         echo OK
7     else
8         echo Failed
9         Help $1
10    fi
11 }
12 # Exemple :
13 echo -n 'Is it OK ? : '
14 true
15 Check $? 0

```

ArgCheck

Check the environment :

- is the first argument is a file
- is the output directory exist
- is the output directory creation is OK

```

1 function ArgCheck() {
2     # Check the first arg of the script and directory output data
3     [[ ! -f $1 ]] && echo "$1 is not a file" && Help 1
4     if [[ -d ${DirOutput} ]]; then
5         while [[ $Qans != "y" ]] && [[ $Qans != "n" ]]
6         do
7             echo -e "\n"
8             read -p "${DirOutput} exist \
9 do you want to continue (delete all data) (y/n) : " -n1 Qans
10            done
11            # Clean environment
12            [[ $Qans == "n" ]] && exit || \
13            Action "Clean environment" "1" rm -rf ${DirOutput}/*
14        fi

```



```
15 }
```

NameFileOutput

Create the variable which contain the output file for each line of the input file

```
1 # Create the varname of the output file
2 function NameFileOutput(){
3     FileName=student-list_${1}-${2}
4     echo ${DirOutput}/${FileName}
5 }
```

Question

For each line in the input file we need to ask the question present/absent

```
1 function Question() {
2     qName=$1
3     qSurname=$2
4     Answer=""
5     Result=""
6     # Check if the data is y or n
7     while [[ -z ${Result} ]]
8     do
9         read -p "$Name $Surname is present ? (y/n) : "
10         \
11         -n1 Answer </dev/tty
12         [[ ${Answer} == "y" ]] && Result=present
13         [[ ${Answer} == "n" ]] && Result=absent
14     done
15     echo $Result
16 }
```

LineToVar

Parse the all files, get data and call other function

```
1 # Analyse for all line
2 function LineToVar(){
3     while read -r Line
4     do
5         echo -e "\n"
6         # Gen variable environnement for each line
7         Name=$(echo $Line | cut -d";" -f1)
8         Surname=$(echo $Line | cut -d";" -f2)
9         Year=$(echo $Line | cut -d";" -f3)
10        Level=$(echo $Line | cut -d";" -f4)
11        Result=$(Question "${Name}" "${Surname}")
12        OutputFile=$(NameFileOutput "${Year}" "${Level}"
13                      ")
14        # output data in the outputfile
15        echo "${Name};${Surname};${Year};${Level};${Result}" >> ${
16            OutputFile}
17    done < $1
18 }
```

Resume

Output the resume of all created output files

```
1 function Resume() {
2     echo -e "\n\nFILE\t\t\t\tpresent\t\tabsent"
3     echo "
4     -----"
5     # find all output file
6     for FileOutput in $(find ${DirOutput} -type f \
7         -name "student-list_*")
8     do
9         # Gen variable for each file
10        FileName=$(basename $FileOutput)
11        Present=$(cat ${FileOutput} | grep present|wc -
12                  l)
13        Absent=$(cat ${FileOutput} | grep absent|wc -l)
14        TotPresent=$((TotPresent+Present))
15        TotAbsent=$((TotAbsent+Absent))
16    done
17 }
```


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13 [Resume](#)