

LAB CONTINUE

LAB CONFIG



- We will continue prepping our lab environment
- For sanity, the lab has been reinitialised using a predefined username and password.....chances are you already forgot the username and password
- Log in to the Jump host:
`ssh usrXX@cloud.examplesdomain.com -p 2200`
Password: Your_Password_From_The_Events_Page

LAB CONFIG

- Open a **second** PowerShell/PuTTY/Tabby/SSH Terminal
- Log in to the Jump host:
ssh **usrXX@cloud.examplesdomain.com** -p 2200
Password: Your_Password_From_The_Events_Page

FROM THIS SESSION IN THE JUMP NODE

- Log in to your HN:
ssh **ern_admin@10.200.0.1XX**

Username: **ern_admin**

Password: **Leggings:Nutcase:Daybed:Cut3:Gradation**

WRITING BASH SCRIPTS

EXECUTING SCRIPTS



- A bash script is essentially only a few commands that are executed one after the other
- The first line should start by defining the shell that is used:
#!/bin/bash
#The above line is also known as a shebang
- After the file has been created, it can be made executable by changing the file permission:
chmod ugo+x my_script
- The file extension does not matter, but sometimes users will add the ".sh" extension to the filename
- To execute a script (after chmod has been executed at some stage):
./my_script
or
sh my_script

BASH SCRIPTS CONTENT

- As mentioned, the first line in a bash script should define the shell to be used. You will notice that it starts with a **#**
- In a script, anything after a **#** is seen as a comment
 - There are some cases, like in the first line of a bash script (shebang), where the comment has meaning to the interpreter.
 - Another instance of "special comments" is for PBS jobs:

```
#PBS -n TestJob  
#PBS -l walltime=300:00:00
```
- If (for formatting reasons) you want to continue a command on the next line, you can use a **"\"** followed by nothing other than an enter/line break:

```
./configure \  
    --prefix=/usr/local \  
    --with-ssl
```
- The above command will be interpreted as a single command:

```
./configure --prefix=/usr/local --with-ssl
```

**It is essential not to have a space after the \
Otherwise, the space is escaped and not the new line character as intended**

ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

- Environmental variables can be used inside the script
- Environmental variables declared in the shell (the same terminal session) before the script is executed can also be addressed
- Parameters can be parsed to the script when it is executed:
./my_script parameter1 parameter2
- A variable is declared, and the value is assigned as follows:

myName="Albert"

Special Variables	Description
\$0	Name of the script
\$1	First Parameter parsed to script
\$#	Number of parameters parsed
\$@	All parameters parsed to the script
\$\$	Process ID of the script

TESTING

- Some tests can be done in, for example, an if statement:
[-e /home] && echo "/home exists"

Expression	Meaning
-d	Is a directory
-e	Exists (can be a file, directory or link)
-h	File is a symbolic link
-x	File/directory is executable
-eq	Number is equal to
-ne	Number is not equal
-gt	Number is greater than
-ge	Number is greater than or equal

- For more info:
man test

EXECUTING COMMANDS INSIDE A SCRIPT

- You can execute a command within another command
- The old format used to be:
echo "The date today is: `date +%F` " #Character below ~
- The new format that should be used is:
echo "The date today is: \$(date +%F) "

The output of the date command is parsed to the echo command

Another example is:

ls -l \$(which yum)

Also, note the difference between the output of:

echo "The date today is: \$(date +%F)"

AND

echo 'The date today is: \$(date +%F)'

IF & ELSE STATEMENTS

- Testing values (if statement)
- An "if" statement is closed by a "fi" statement (inverse of if)

```
if [ "$USER" == "root" ]; then  
    echo "You are running as root....."  
fi
```

- It is important to have a space after "[" and before "]"
- An "if not" statement is written as:

```
if ! [ "$USER" == "root" ]; then  
    echo "Good, you are not root"  
else  
    echo "Why are you root?"  
fi
```

Note the space between the "!" and the "[", also note the use of the double quotes that enclose the text variables

IF STATEMENT OPERATORS

- If you want to test two match cases, the **“and”** operator (`&&`) can be used:
i=8
if `[[$i -gt 5 && $i -lt 12]]`; then
 echo "The value '\$i' is between 5 and 12"
fi

Note the additional “[“ at the beginning and the “]” at the end of the statement for both the above and below statements.

- The **or** operator is `||` and used as follows:
if `[[$today == "Saturday" || $today == "Sunday"]]`; then
 echo "Today is a weekend"
else
 echo "Ugh, it is still not the weekend"
fi

CASE STATEMENT

- The following case statement should be easy to interpret:

```
result=
you_selected=apple

case "$you_selected" in
"apple" | "banana" | "tomato" )
    result="a fruit"
    ;;
"cabbage" | "carrot" )
    result="a vegetable"
    ;;
*)
    result="an unknown item"
    ;;
esac
echo "You have selected '$you_selected', which is $result"
```

FOR LOOPS

- Looping through strings:
names="Mike John Peter Scott Anny"
for name in \$names; do
 echo "The name is: \$name"
done
- Looping through numbers:
for i in \$(seq -w 1 100); do
 echo "Value: \$i"
 sleep 0.1
done

The -w option was given to the sequence (seq) command to make the result automatically fit the same width (three characters):

001 002 ... 008 009 010 ... 099 100

WHILE LOOPS

- A while loop should be used with caution, because an endless loop can easily occur:

```
j=5
i=2
while [ $i -lt 10 ]; do
    i=$(( $j + 1 ))
    echo "$(date) j=$j i=$i"
done
```

- This while loop will run indefinitely because we set the value of `i` equal to `5 + 1` each iteration, without incrementing `j`
- Press Control+c to cancel out of the while loop

WHILE LOOP

- A while loop can be used to read the content of a file line-by-line:

```
i=0
```

```
while read current_line; do
```

```
    i=$(( $i + 1 ))
```

```
    user=$(echo $current_line | sed "s|:.*||g")
```

```
    # The above sed command searches for the first : in the line
```

```
    # and removes the remainder of the line, only leaving the
```

```
    # username, eg: usr123:x:123:Example becomes usr123
```

```
    echo "Line $i: $user"
```

```
done < /etc/passwd
```

```
echo "The file /etc/passwd contains $i entries"
```

BASIC MATH

- You can do some simple addition, multiplication etc:

```
income=5000
```

```
expenses=3250
```

```
myTotal=$(( ($income - $expenses) / 24 ))
```

```
echo "I should not be spending more than $myTotal per day"
```

- Or by using the basic calculator:

```
echo "400 * 2 / 5^2" | bc
```

- Incrementing the value of "x" in a for loop:

```
x=0
```

```
for i in $(seq 1 50); do
```

```
    [ $i -gt 30 ] && ((x++))      #Reads: if i > 30 then increment x by 1
```

```
done
```

```
echo $x
```


FUNCTIONS

```
function my_add()  
{  
    first=$1  
    second=$2  
    result=$(( $1 + $2 ))  
    echo $result  
}
```

```
#Calling the function:  
my_add 33 11
```

RETURN VALUES

- The output/result of a command can be assigned to a variable:
profile_files=\$(ls /etc/profile.d)
echo "The following profile files are executed upon login:"
echo "\$profile_files"
- The return (exit) code of a command is also very useful in scripts:
rpm -q chrony
result=\$?
if [\$result -eq 0]; then
 echo "Chrony NTP is installed"
else
 echo "Chrony NTP is not installed"
fi

A zero (0) return code always indicates the command's success and a non-zero code indicates failure.

HERE DOCUMENTS

- A here document is a file/document generated within a script/command. It is almost like a template file that generates static or dynamic content:

```
#This example will only work if you are the root user  
cat > /etc/profile.d/ufs.sh <<-EOF  
alias vi='vim '  
alias s='sudo -u - '  
alias l='ls -la --color '  
EOF
```

- The cat command redirects (>) the content to a file, until the EOF is the only content in the line.
- If you want to append to an existing file, instead of writing
cat > write cat >>
- A dash (-) is used in front of the EOF to ignore any indentation that may exist in the script....only works inside scripts, not in the terminal.

REGULAR EXPRESSIONS

- The `grep` command uses regular expressions (an expression that defines a condition without specifically expressing the condition statically).
- **grep** searches for text in a file or standard output
- Examples:
 - #Return (`-i` = insensitive) occurrences of admin in a file:
grep -i "admin" /etc/passwd
 - #Return (`-o` = only the matching) IPv4 addresses in a file:
grep -o "[0-9]*\.[0-9]*\.[0-9]*\.[0-9]*" /etc/hosts
 - #View all the lines of text in a config file:
sudo cat /etc/selinux/config
 - #Show only lines that are not (`-v`) commented out:
sudo cat /etc/selinux/config | grep -v "^#"

REGULAR EXPRESSIONS

- The sed command can be used to change values using regular expressions

#Disable SELinux permanently (persistent after reboots):

```
sudo sed -i "s|^SELINUX=.*|SELINUX=disabled|g" /etc/selinux/config
```

The above command reads:

Search (**s**) for text starting (^) with **SELINUX=**, followed by any number of characters (**.***) and replace it with SELINUX=disabled globally (**g**)

Delete all empty lines from the same file:

Definition of an empty line:

An empty line is one beginning (^) with no content up to the ending (\$) of the line:

```
cat /etc/selinux/config |wc -l
```

#count the number of lines in the file

```
sed -i "/^$/d" /etc/selinux/config
```

#The -i option = modify the file in place

```
cat /etc/selinux/config |wc -l
```

#count the number of lines in the file again

SCRIPTING EXECUTION SPEED MIGHT MATTER

- **Medical Physics**

- Script to transform a text file with 94 168 lines into a CSV file

Attempt 1: Just make it work. **77.37 minutes**

Attempt 2: Adding needed arrays. **16.45 minutes**

Attempt 3: Performing file formats. **8.97 minutes**

SCRIPTING EXERCISE



- Log in to the Jump host
ssh `usrXX@cloud.examplesdomain.com` -p 2200

In a second terminal (if you haven't created one yet):

- Log into the HN and become root
ssh `ern_admin@10.200.0.1XX`

Username: `ern_admin`

Password: `Leggings:Nutcase:Daybed:Cut3:Gradation`

You should now have two terminal sessions open

One: `[usrXX@login ~]$`

And the other: `[ern_admin@usrXX-hn01 ~]$`

SCRIPTING EXERCISE



- Write a script (on the jump node) to install MySQL
 - (which will later be executed on your HN)
- As a reference, use (link also on the events page as Install MySQL, under slides):

<https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/how-to-install-mysql-on-centos-7>

1. Define a variable `MYSQL_PASS` at the top of the script and set the root user's MySQL password to:
Percent-Gope-Dumping-Uninsured-Maybe4
2. Before continuing, the script should test to see if the short hostname is `usrXX-hn01` (Don't hardcode your user number; test for numbers in that position)
3. The script should continue **without ANY** user intervention

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SCRIPTING EXERCISE



The script should perform the following, too:

4. Install MySQL as per Step 1 on the webpage. You can use the version (7-5) that is mentioned on the page itself. Note that the site mistakenly executes the `rpm -ivh` against a different version (7-9) than the one downloaded using the `curl` command. Either download version 7-9 or install the downloaded version (7-5), both will work for our purposes.

DON'T execute steps 3 and 4; we'll do our own securing and testing hereon

5. Enable the MySQL service to start (now and) automatically after reboots
6. Read the value of the temporary password (last part of step 2 on the site) into a new variable **temp_pass**
7. Create a "here document" (`secure_mysql.sql`) with the following content:

```
UPDATE mysql.user SET Password=PASSWORD('$MYSQL_PASS') WHERE User='root';  
DELETE FROM mysql.user WHERE User='root' AND Host NOT IN ('localhost', '127.0.0.1', '::1');  
DELETE FROM mysql.user WHERE User="";  
DELETE FROM mysql.db WHERE Db='test' OR Db='test_%';  
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;  
END OF DOCUMENT
```

 ← Don't add this line to the document itself

The value of the **MYSQL_PASS** variable should be written to the file, not the referenced name.

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SCRIPTING EXERCISE



8. Create another here document (`~/.my.cnf`) with the content:
[mysql]
user=root
password=\$temp_pass
END OF DOCUMENT ← Don't add this line to the document itself
9. Execute the mysql command with an additional parameter (`--connect-expired-password`), and redirect the file (`secure_mysql.sql`) to the command
10. If the above command was successful, delete the `secure_mysql.sql` file
11. Using a regular expression, change the password in the (`~/.my.cnf`) file to the value of `MYSQL_PASS`
12. Execute the following command; you should not be prompted for a password:
`mysql -e "SELECT Host, User from mysql.user;"`

SCRIPTING EXERCISE



- Study a shell script such as **/etc/profile** and the one created
- See if you can understand what is happening in said scripts
- Practice writing your own scripts
- Copy your scripts somewhere where you can access them later

- Writing (and keeping) installation scripts for the applications discussed in these sessions is highly recommended