# Shell Programming Ed 1

Duration: 5 Days

#### What you will learn

The Shell Programming course provides students with the skills to read, write, and debug UNIX shell scripts. The course begins by describing simple scripts to automate frequently executed commands and continues further by describing conditional logic, user interaction, loops, menus, traps, and functions.

This course is intended for system administrators who have mastered the basics of any flavor of the UNIX OS, such as Oracle Solaris and Oracle Linux, and would like to interpret the various boot scripts as well as create their own scripts to automate their day-to-day tasks.

Learn To:

Create scripts to automate system administration tasks.

Set local and environmental variables.

Automate tasks by using regular expression characters with the grep, sed, and nawk utilities.

Create interactive scripts by using flow control constructs.

Perform string manipulation and integer arithmetic on shell variables.

Debug errors in scripts.

## Benefits to You

The Shell Programming course provides you with the ability to identify various shells and automate system administration tasks through scripts. You learn to develop advanced scripts that involve using decision making algorithms, loops, variables, parameters and arguments lists.

The course also introduces you to functions that enable you to perform repetitive tasks and the various methods to debug scripts.

Finally, the course concludes by imparting some initial skills at developing useful scripts to automate system administration-related tasks.

Students are provided with the option to run the lab activities on either an Oracle Solaris or Oracle Linux environment.

#### Audience

Database Administrators System Administrator System Integrator Web Administrator

**Related Training** 

#### **Required Prerequisites**

Able to manage files using vi.

Perform basic operating system routines such as system run levels.

Perform simple system administration routines like user creation and software installations.

Run basic system commands like rm, cp, man, more, mkdir, ps, chmod, pkgadd, pkgrm, and pkginfo on Oracle Solaris or similar UNIX platform.

UNIX and Linux Essentials

Suggested Prerequisites Oracle Solaris 11 System Administration Ed 3

Course Objectives Automate routine operations using loops Describe the fundamentals of UNIX shells, shell scripts, and scripting Set shell environment variables Search information using regular expressions Edit input streams using the sed editor Create scripts using the nawk programming language Include decision-making points within scripts using conditionals Perform multiple operations using interactive scripts Specify script options using the getopts statement Create advanced scripts using variables, parameters, and argument lists Automate tasks using functions Debug shell scripts using the trap command Develop some useful scripts for system administration-related tasks

**Course Topics** 

#### **Unix Shells**

Describe the role of shells in the UNIX environment Describe the various UNIX/Oracle Solaris shells

# **Shell Scripting**

Describe the structure of a shell script Create a simple shell script Implement the various debugging options in a shell script

## **Shell Environment**

Explain the role of startup scripts in initializing the shell environment Describe the various types of shell variables Explain command line parsing in a shell environment

## **Pattern Matching**

Describe the grep command Explain the role of regular expressions in pattern matching

## The sed Editor

Describe the sed editor Perform non-interactive editing tasks by using the sed editor

## The nawk Programming Language

Describe nawk as a programming language Display output by using the print statement Perform pattern matching by using regular expressions Use the nawk built-in and user-defined variables

## **Interactive Scripts**

Display output by using the print and echo statements Accept user input by using the read statement Describe the role of file descriptors in file input and output

# Variables and Positional Parameters

Describe the various types of scripting variables Define positional parameters for accepting user input

# Conditionals

Describe the role of the if statement in testing conditions Describe the syntaxes for the if/then/else and if/then/elif/else statements Choose from alternatives by using the case statement Perform numeric and string comparisons Compare data by using the &&, ||, and ! Boolean operators Distinguish between the exit status and the exit statement

#### Loops

Describe the for, while, and until looping constructs Create menus by using the select looping statement Provide variable number of arguments to the script by using the shift statement Describe the role of the getopts statement in parsing script options

# Functions

Create user-defined functions in a shell script Use the typeset and unset statements in a function Autoload a function file into a shell script

# Traps

Describe the role of shell signals in interprocess communication Catch signals and user errors with the trap statement