

# UNIX/Linux Shell Programming

Course code: UNIXSH

The course is designed for administrators who need to understand the system scripts, to modify their content and create new ones for the functions automation, monitoring and a dialogue with the user. In the course the participant will learn about the possibilities which are offered in shell, he will also master the basic programming techniques and will learn to create useful scripts on practical examples, these techniques will make his or other users' work easier.

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## Course terms

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## Who is the course for

The course is designed for OS UNIX administrators who need to write scripts in shell environment.

## What we teach you

The course participant will learn about the possibilities which are offered in shell. He will acquire the basic programming techniques and through practical examples he will learn to create useful scripts which make his or other users' work easier.

## Required skills

Good knowledge of OS UNIX environment. Knowledge of basic users' commands. The knowledge of vi editor is essential.

## Course outline

Introduction

Overview of basic UNIX shell constructions

UNIX architecture

Possibilities and support of scripting in Bourne shell, Korn shell and Bash

Processes control

Types of commands

Processes

Commands starting

Basics for scripts writing

Scripts starting

Comments

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Code tuning

Echo command, print, formatting output using printf

Variables

User variables

Variable environment

Read command

Positional parameters

Special variables

Quoting

Metacharacters, differences in their use

Commands substitution

Eval command

Decision construction

Return codes

Command test and [ ]

Command if

Command case

Special constructions

Cycles

Command expr

Command while

Command until

Command for

Parameters processing using getopt command

Working with descriptor files using exec

Functions

Functions in shell

Parameters handing over

Return command

Working with signals

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Asynchronous events  
Signals generation  
Signals processing using trap command

Enlargements available in ksh and bash

Select command  
Arithmetic support  
Working with field  
[[ ]] command  
Enlarged pattern-matching  
Ksh and bash environment modification

Tools and external programs  
Data mining from files  
Combination of data content  
Sorting out the file content  
Editing using sed and awk  
Regular expressions

Effective creation of scripts

Time command  
Working with PATH variable  
Absolute vs. relative paths  
Shell built-in commands  
Effective way of using the pipe

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