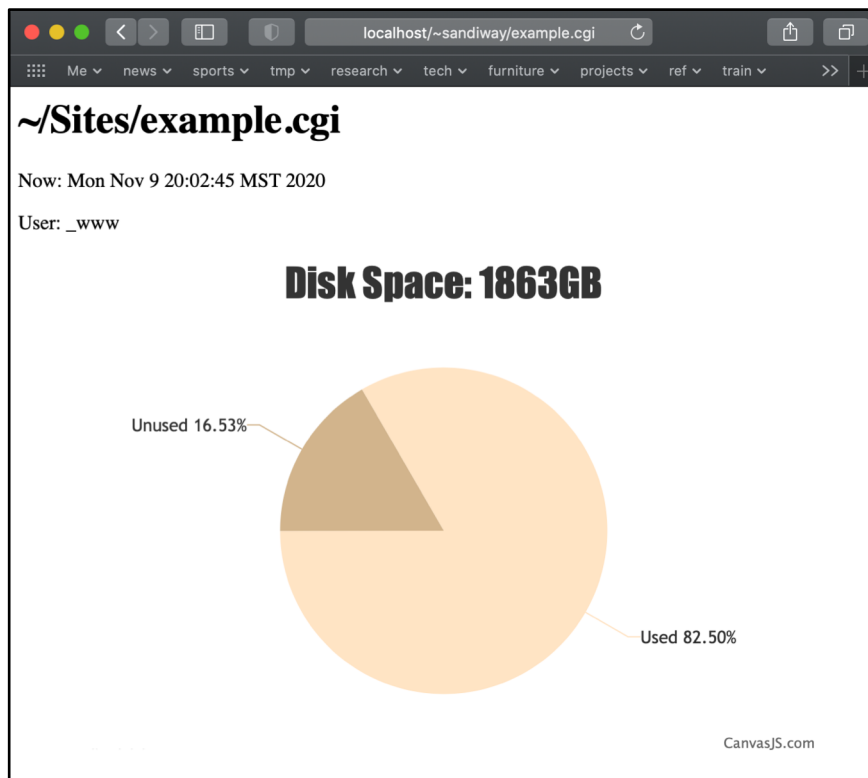


LING 408/508: Computational Techniques for Linguists

Lecture 24

Last Time



```
example.cgi
New Open Recent Revert Save Print Undo Redo Cut Copy Paste Search
1#!/bin/bash
2echo "Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8"
3echo
4echo "<html><head></head>"
5echo "<body><h1>~/Sites/example.cgi</h1>"
6echo -n "<p>Now: "
7date
8echo "</p>"
9echo -n "<p>User: "
10whoami
11echo "</p>"
12capacity=$(df -g | awk 'NR==4 {print $2}')
13used=$(df -g | awk 'NR==4 {print $3}')
14unused=$(df -g | awk 'NR==4 {print $4}')
15echo "<script src='\"canvasjs.min.js\"'></script>"
16echo "<div id='\"cc\"' style='\"height: 400px; max-width: 600px; margin: 0px aut...
o;\"></div>"
17echo "<script> window.onload = function() {"
18echo "var chart = new CanvasJS.Chart(\"cc\", {"
19echo "animationEnabled: true, title: { text: \"Disk Space: ${capacity}GB\" },...
"
20echo "data: [{ type: \"pie\", startAngle: 240,"
21echo "yValueFormatString: \"##0.00%\", indexLabel: \"{label} {y}\",\"
22echo "dataPoints: ["
23echo "{y: $used/$capacity*100, label: \"Used\", color: \"Bisque\"},"
24echo "{y: $unused/$capacity*100, label: \"Unused\", color: \"Tan\"}"
25echo "]}]"
26echo "); chart.render(); } </script></body></html>"
27exit 0
```

df command

- has various options: `-m` (megabytes) `-g` (gigabytes) `-H` ("Human-readable" output).
Use unit suffixes: Byte, Kilobyte, Megabyte, Gigabyte, Terabyte and Petabyte
in order to reduce the number of digits to three or less using base 10 for sizes.

```
~$ df -g
Filesystem      1G-blocks  Used Available Capacity iused      ifree %iused  Mounted on
/dev/disk1s5    1863      10       305      4%  488445 19538540315  0%  /
devfs           0          0         0     100%    700      0 100%  /dev
/dev/disk1s1    1863    1538       305      84% 4326249 19534702511  0%  /System/Volumes/Data
/dev/disk1s4    1863      8       305      3%    9 19539028751  0%  /private/var/vm
map auto_home  0          0         0     100%    0      0 100%  /System/Volumes/Data/home
~$ df -m
Filesystem      1M-blocks  Used Available Capacity iused      ifree %iused  Mounted on
/dev/disk1s5   1908108   10743   312512    4%  488445 19538540315  0%  /
devfs           0          0         0     100%    700      0 100%  /dev
/dev/disk1s1   1908108 1575790  312512    84% 4326249 19534702511  0%  /System/Volumes/Data
/dev/disk1s4   1908108    8192   312512    3%    9 19539028751  0%  /private/var/vm
map auto_home  0          0         0     100%    0      0 100%  /System/Volumes/Data/home
~$
```

Example: example.cgi

Filesystem	1M-blocks	Used	Available	Capacity	used	ifree	%used	Mounted on
/dev/disk1s1	1908108	626807	1279478	33%	2509210	9223372036852266597	0%	/
devfs	0	0	0	100%	648	0	100%	/dev
/dev/disk1s4	1908108	1024	1279478	1%	1	9223372036854775806	0%	/private/var/vm
map -hosts	0	0	0	100%	0	0	100%	/net
map auto_home	0	0	0	100%	0	0	100%	/home

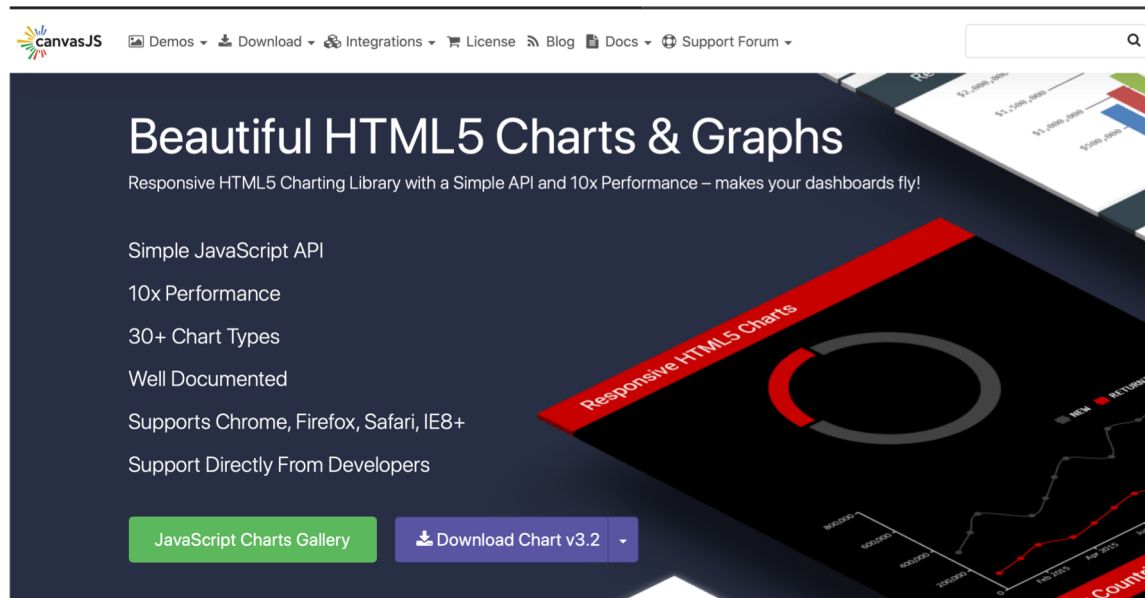

```

1#!/bin/bash
2echo "Content-Type: text/html"
3echo
4echo "<html><head></head>"
5echo "<body><h1>~sandiway/S"
6echo -n "<p>Now: "
7date
8echo "</p>"
9echo -n "<p>User: "
10whoami
11echo "</p>"
12capacity=$(df -m | awk 'NR==2 {print $2}')
13used=$(df -m | awk 'NR==2 {print $3}')
14unused=$(df -m | awk 'NR==2 {print $4}')
15echo "<script src=\"canvasjs.min.js\"></script>"
16echo "<div id=\"cc\" style=\"height: 400px; ma"
17echo "<script> window.onload = function() {"
18echo "var chart = new CanvasJS.Chart(\"cc\", {"
19echo "animationEnabled: true, title: { text: \"Disk Space: ${capacity}MB\" },"
20echo "data: [{ type: \"pie\", startAngle: 240,"
21echo "yValueFormatString: \"##0.00%\", indexLabel: \"{label} {y}\"},"
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23echo "{y: $used/$capacity*100, label: \"Used\", color: \"Bisque\"},"
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25echo "]}]"
26echo "); chart.render(); } </script></body></html>"
27exit 0
  
```

12 capacity=\$(df -m | awk 'NR==2 {print \$2}')
 13 used=\$(df -m | awk 'NR==2 {print \$3}')
 14 unused=\$(df -m | awk 'NR==2 {print \$4}')

NR (Number of Records, i.e. line number) starting from 1

Example: example.cgi



The screenshot shows the homepage of the canvasJS website. The header includes the canvasJS logo and navigation links for Demos, Download, Integrations, License, Blog, Docs, and Support Forum. The main heading is "Beautiful HTML5 Charts & Graphs" with a sub-headline: "Responsive HTML5 Charting Library with a Simple API and 10x Performance – makes your dashboards fly!". Below this, a list of features is provided: Simple JavaScript API, 10x Performance, 30+ Chart Types, Well Documented, Supports Chrome, Firefox, Safari, IE8+, and Support Directly From Developers. At the bottom, there are two buttons: "JavaScript Charts Gallery" and "Download Chart v3.2". The background features a dark theme with various charts, including a donut chart and a line graph.

- Other free toolkits also available
 - Used the free(?)
canvasjs.min.js library
from www.canvasjs.com
 - They have source code
for many examples of
javascript charts.
 - Wondering what
happens after 30 days...

Today's Topics

- Sending form data to the webserver using:
 1. GET method
 2. POST method
- There are also (many) other methods to communicate information depending on the kind of webserver we run:
 - e.g. Apache Tomcat (for Java)
 - e.g. WebSocket interface (for bidirectional data passing)
 - etc.

Sending information using GET

First: Last:

- HTML form:

1. `<form action="http://localhost/cgi-bin/get.cgi" method="GET">`
2. First: `<input type="text" name="first" size=12>`
3. Last: `<input type="text" name="last" size=12>`
4. `<input type="submit">`
5. `</form>`

`http://localhost/cgi-bin/get.cgi?first=Sandiway&last=Fong`

- Information encoded using alphanumeric characters: why?
- URLs are restricted to alphanumeric characters only
- **bash** accesses the URL-encoded string via the environment variable **QUERY_STRING**

Character	URL Encoded
;	%3B
?	%3F
/	%2F
:	%3A
#	%23
&	%26
=	%3D
+	%2B
\$	%24
,	%2C
<space>	%20 or +
%	%25
<	%3C
>	%3E
~	%7E
%	%25

Client side: sending information using GET

The image shows a web browser window displaying a form titled "CGI GET Example". The form contains two text input fields labeled "First:" and "Last:", followed by a "Submit" button. Below the browser window, the developer tools are open to the "Sources" tab, showing the source code of the file "form-get.html". The code is as follows:

```
1 <!DOCTYPE HTML>
2 <html>
3   <head>
4     <title>CGI GET Example</title>
5   </head>
6   <body>
7     <h1>CGI GET Example</h1>
8     <form action="http://localhost/cgi-bin/get.cgi" method="GET">
9       First: <input type="text" name="first" size=12>
10      Last: <input type="text" name="last" size=12>
11      <input type="submit">
12    </form>
13  </body>
14 </html>
15
```

The developer tools also show the "Resource" tab for the selected file, with the following details:

- Type: MIME Type text/html, Resource Type Document
- Location: Full URL file:///Users/sandway/courses/ling508-18/form-get.html, Scheme file, Path /Users/sandway/courses/ling508-18/form-get.html, Filename form-get.html

Server side: sending information using GET

- **get.cgi:**

```
1. #!/bin/bash
2. echo "Content-Type: text/plain"
3. echo
4. #echo $QUERY_STRING
5. origIFS=$IFS
6. IFS='=&'
7. set -- $QUERY_STRING
8. IFS=$origIFS
9. echo "1:<$1> 2:<$2> 3:<$3> 4:<$4>"
```

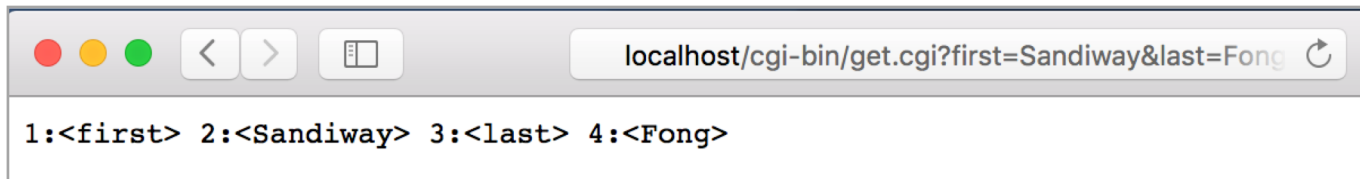
= and &

`http://localhost/cgi-bin/get.cgi?first=Sandiway&last=Fong`

In bash:

- IFS = **internal field separator** (for arguments)
- default: space newline tab
- **set -- *String***
- -- option: positional parameters **\$1, \$2,..etc.** are set after splitting *String*

Server side: sending information using GET



- **get.cgi:**

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Content-Type: text/plain"
echo
#echo $QUERY_STRING
origIFS=$IFS
IFS='&'
set -- $QUERY_STRING
IFS=$origIFS
echo "1:<$1> 2:<$2> 3:<$3> 4:<$4>"
```

Server side: sending information using GET

```
1 <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IETF//DTD HTML//EN">
2 <html> <head>
3 <title>CGI GET Example</title>
4 </head>
5 <body>
6 <h1>CGI GET Example</h1>
7 <form action="http://localhost/cgi-bin/get.cgi" method="GET">
8 First: <input type="text" name="first" size=12>
9 Last: <input type="text" name="last" size=12>
10 <input type="submit">
11 </form>
12 </body> </html>
```

MacOS:

- `/Library/WebServer/CGI-Executables/`
- `$ls -l get.cgi`
- `-rwxr-xr-x 1 root wheel 161 Oct 16 2014 get.cgi`
- `sudo chmod 755 get.cgi`

Ubuntu:

`/usr/lib/cgi-bin/`

Limitations of positional parameters

- set values:

```
origIFS=$IFS
```

```
IFS='&'
```

```
set -- $QUERY_STRING
```

```
IFS=$origIFS
```

```
echo "1:<$1> 2:<$2> 3:<$3> 4:<$4>"
```

A positional parameter is a parameter denoted by one or more digits, other than the single digit 0. Positional parameters are assigned from the shell's arguments when it is invoked, and may be reassigned using the `set` builtin command. Positional parameter `N` may be referenced as `${N}`, or as `$N` when `N` consists of a **single digit**. Positional parameters may not be assigned to with assignment statements. The `set` and `shift` builtins are used to set and unset

Webserver logs

```
[~]$ cd /var/log/apache2/
[apache2$ ls
access_log      error_log
[apache2$ tail -5 access_log
127.0.0.1 - - [09/Nov/2020:20:01:23 -0700] "GET /~sandiway/example.cgi HTTP/1.1" 200 662
127.0.0.1 - - [09/Nov/2020:20:01:56 -0700] "GET /~sandiway/example.cgi HTTP/1.1" 200 647
127.0.0.1 - - [09/Nov/2020:20:02:45 -0700] "GET /~sandiway/example.cgi HTTP/1.1" 200 639
127.0.0.1 - - [12/Nov/2020:10:10:18 -0700] "GET /cgi-bin/get.cgi?first=ABC&last=DEF HTTP/1.1" 200 35
127.0.0.1 - - [12/Nov/2020:10:10:18 -0700] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 404 196
[apache2$ tail -5 error_log
[Mon Nov 09 19:49:49.302604 2020] [core:notice] [pid 52404] AH00094: Command line: '/usr/sbin/httpd -D FOREGROUND'
[Mon Nov 09 19:50:31.622456 2020] [cgi:error] [pid 83878] [client 127.0.0.1:59304] AH01215: (13)Permission denied: exec of '/Users/sandiway/Sites/test.cgi' failed: /Users/sandiway/Sites/test.cgi
[Mon Nov 09 19:50:31.622763 2020] [cgi:error] [pid 83878] [client 127.0.0.1:59304] End of script output before headers: test.cgi
[Mon Nov 09 19:50:33.009542 2020] [cgi:error] [pid 83878] [client 127.0.0.1:59305] AH01215: (13)Permission denied: exec of '/Users/sandiway/Sites/test.cgi' failed: /Users/sandiway/Sites/test.cgi
[Mon Nov 09 19:50:33.009906 2020] [cgi:error] [pid 83878] [client 127.0.0.1:59305] End of script output before headers: test.cgi
apache2$
```

Files and Locations

Server cgi-bin directory:

- MacOS: `/Library/WebServer/CGI-Executables`
- Ubuntu: `/usr/lib/cgi-bin`

Webserver logs:

- MacOS: `/var/log/apache2/error_log`
- Ubuntu: `/var/log/apache2/error.log`

Course webpage:

- `form-get.html`
- `form-post.html`
- `get.cgi` (needs 755 permissions)
- `read.cgi` (needs 755 permissions)

Error Log

Example:

*can't access
file*

Internal Server Error

The server encountered an internal error or misconfiguration and was unable to complete your request.

Please contact the server administrator at you@example.com to inform them of the time this error occurred.

More information about this error may be available in the server error log.

error log:

...

```
[Wed Oct 31 22:08:01.555932 2018] [cgi:error] [pid 4600]  
[client ::1:51340] AH01215: (13)Permission denied: exec of  
'/Users/sandiway/Sites/get2.cgi' failed:  
/Users/sandiway/Sites/get2.cgi
```

```
[Wed Oct 31 22:08:01.556059 2018] [cgi:error] [pid 4600]  
[client ::1:51340] End of script output before headers: get2.cgi
```

Ungraded Exercise

- Make the GET example work on your computer.
- Next time, we'll review the POST method ...