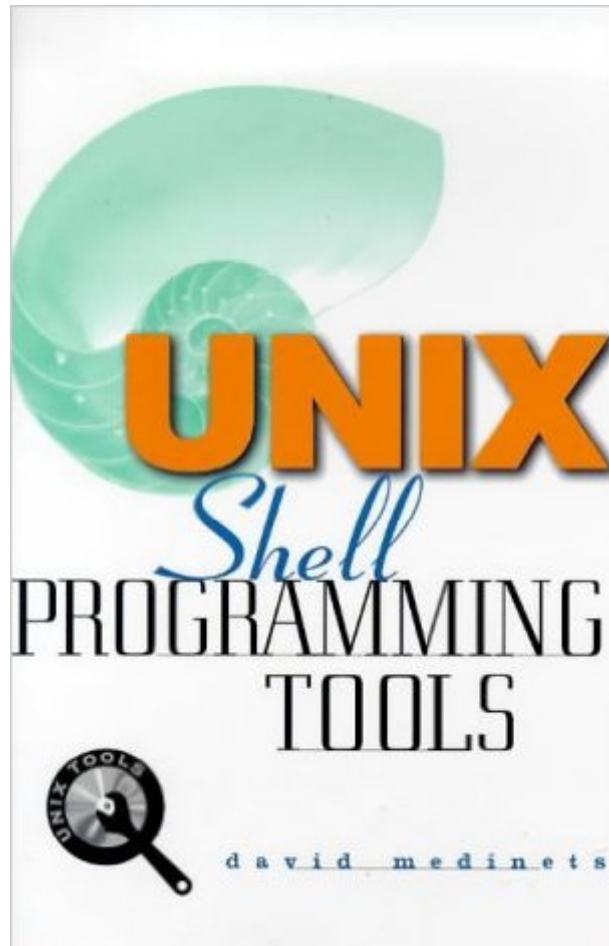


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Shell programming is the most important tool for unleashing the power of UNIX because the shell is the medium through which the user communicates with the operating system. This comprehensive title offers hundreds of shell programming tips and techniques.

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This book has a lot of reference info on Bash, Perl, and Tcl/Tk commands and options, especially lots of tables. However, I wouldn't recommend it for beginners to programming in these languages, since his explanations of many topics is rather turgid and unclear. In addition, the number of typos and just plain errors is unacceptably high for a book that purports to show beginners how to do shell programming. Overall, a good book for the reference shelf, but only for those who already have some knowledge of this kind of programming.

The Bourne Again Shell isn't even standard on unix systems and the constant mention of linux as something synonymous is just pathetic. I'm sorry I ever got this book. Get UNIX Power Tools instead. It costs a few bucks more, but this book is pathetic. If you want to learn to use shell scripts on multiple platforms, this isn't the book. It's strongly GNU/Linux orientated, but that won't help you in the real world with unix OS's

The author does a good job of showing how the different BASH commands can be used together to accomplish tasks. The sections about Perl and Tcl were also useful.

This book is very well done, and has many good code examples. I highly recommend it.

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