

# Precept 12-1: Alias

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# What is alias

- Alias is a command build customized shortcuts to lengthy shell commands
  - Built-in function in popular shells including bash
  - E.g., alias ll='ls -alF'
  - alias AliasName='command -arguments'
- Extra Credit 2 in unix shell assignment

# Ish alias

- Define alias in ish (two ways)
  - #1: .ishrc file (in HOME directory)
  - #2: command line prompt
- Output list of alias in ish
  - alias command
- Implement above for extra credit 2

# Ish alias demo

- Test#1: define alias in .ishrc file
  - ./sampleish → %l → %ec  
→ %pwd (working directory) → %cd → %pwd (home directory)  
→ add alias l='ls -CF' alias ec='echo hi' to .ishrc  
→ %ctrl+d → ./sampleish → %l → % 'ls -CF → %ec → %echo hi
- Test#2: define alias in command prompt
  - ./sampleish → %ll → %alias ll='ls -alF' → %ll → %ls -alF
- Test#3: print alias list
  - ./sampleish → %alias
  - Should print alias defined in test #1
  - Should print alias defined in test #2 (if sampleish is not restarted after test#2)