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Note: Here I'm using egrep insted of grep command. Which is a newer version of grep command.

egrep "[A-Za-z]" test.txt : searches for a capital letter or a small letter.

egrep "[AB]" test.txt : searches for A or B.

egrep "[^AB]" test.txt : search for any thing expect A and B.

egrep "[.]" test.txt : searches for a .

egrep "." test.txt : searches for anything

egrep "hameed\$" test.txt : searches for any sentence that hameed is the last word in it.

egrep "^hameed" test.txt : searches for any sentence that hameed if the first word in it.

egrep "Mrs?" test.txt : searches for Mr or Mrs

egrep "Mr(Abdal)?hameed" test.txt : searches for Mr abdalhameed or Mr hameed.

egrep "(A|B|D)a" test.txt : searches for Aa or Ba or Ca.

egrep “. ” test.txt : searches for .

egrep “\-\-” test.txt : searches for --

egrep “[0-9]{5}” test.txt : searches for any 5 numbers.

egrep “[0-9]{3,5}” test.txt : searches for at least 3 numbers and at most 5 numbers.

egrep “[0-9]{1, }” test.txt : searches for at least one number.

egrep “a.*b” test.txt : searches for a then zero or infinite number of characters then b.

egrep “of*. *ice” test.txt : searches for o then f is optional then zero or any number of characters then ice.

egrep “[0-9]+” test.txt : searches for at least one number.

+ sign: Allows multiple.

egrep “^(.)\1” test.txt : searches for any word that the first two numbers in it are the same.

egrep “^(.)*\1\$” test.txt : searches for any word that first two letters and last letter are the same.

| Notation | Meaning | Example | Matches |
|-------------|--|--------------|---|
| . | any character | a.. | a followed by any two characters |
| ^ | beginning of line | ^wood | wood only if it appears at the beginning of the line |
| \$ | end of line | x\$ | x only if it is the last character on the line |
| | | ^INSERT\$ | a line containing just the characters INSERT |
| | | ^\$ | a line that contains <i>no</i> characters |
| * | zero or more occurrences of a character | W.*S | W followed by zero or more characters followed by an S |
| | | .* | zero or more characters |
| [chars] | any character in <i>chars</i> | [tT] | lower- or uppercase t |
| [^chars] | any character not in <i>chars</i> | [^0-9] | any nonnumeric character |
| | | [^a-zA-Z] | any nonalphabetic character |
| \{min,max\} | at least <i>min</i> and at most <i>max</i> occurrences of previous regular expressions | x\{1,5\} | at least 1 and at and at most 5 x's |
| | | [0-9]\{3,9\} | from 3 to 9 successive digits |
| | | [0-9]\{3\} | exactly 3 digits |
| | | [0-9]\{3,\} | at least 3 digits |
| \(...\) | store characters matched between parentheses in next register (1-9) | ^\(...\) | first character on line and stores it in register 1 |
| | | ^\(...\)\1 | first and second characters on the line if they're the same |

Sed Command:

sed 's/old/new/' test.txt : changes the word “old” to the word new.

sed -i 's/old/new/' test.txt : this is the same of the last command, but in this case the file will be changed , unlike first case.

sed 's/old/new/g' test.txt : changes all of the occurrence's of the old word to new word.

sed -n '1,2p' test.txt : prints first two lines.

sed -n '/abd/p' test.txt : prints the lines that contains abd only.

sed '1,2d' test.txt : deletes first two lines.

sed '1,10 s/old/new/g' test.txt : changes the old word to the new word only in the first 10 lines.

sed 's/.../' test.txt : removes first 3 characters form each line.

| sed command | Description |
|----------------------------------|---|
| sed '5d' | Delete line 5 |
| sed '/[Tt]est/d' | Delete all lines containing Test or test |
| sed -n '20,25p' text | Print only lines 20 through 25 from text |
| sed '1,10s/unix/UNIX/g' exp1.txt | Change unix to UNIX wherever it appears in the first 10 lines of exp1.txt |
| sed '/jan/s/-1/-5/' | Change the first -1 to -5 on all lines containing jan |
| sed 's/.../' exp1.txt | Delete the first three characters from each line of exp1.txt |
| sed 's/...\$/' exp1.txt | Delete the last 3 characters from each line of exp1.txt |
| sed -n '1' text | Print all lines from text, showing nonprinting characters as \nn (where nn is the octal value of the character), and tab characters as \t |

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