

NAME

urlview – URL extractor/launcher

SYNOPSIS

urlview *filename* [*filename* ...]

DESCRIPTION

urlview is a screen oriented program for extracting URLs from text files and displaying a menu from which you may launch a command to view a specific item.

CONFIGURATION

urlview attempts to read `~/.urlview` upon startup. If this file doesn't exist, it will try to read a system wide file in `/etc/urlview.conf`. There are two configuration commands (order does not matter):

REGEXP *regexp*

urlview uses a regular expression to extract URLs from the specified text files. `\r`, `\t`, `\n` and `\f` are all converted to their normal **printf**(3) meanings. The default REGEXP is:

```
((((https?|ftp|gopher):|/|(mailto|file|news):)[^ <>"']+(www|web|w3).[-a-z0-9.]+)[^ .,;<>"])
```

COMMAND *command*

If the specified command contains a `%s`, it will be substituted with the URL that was requested, otherwise the URL is appended to the COMMAND string. The default COMMAND is:

```
url_handler.sh %s
```

Note: You should *never* put single quotes around the `%s`. **urlview** does this for you, and also makes sure that single quotes eventually showing up inside the URL are handled properly. (Note that this shouldn't happen with the default regular expression, which explicitly excludes single quotes.)

FILES

`/etc/urlview.conf`

system-wide urlview configuration file

`~/.urlview`

urlview configuration file

SEE ALSO

printf(3), **regcomp**(3), **regex**(7)

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