UnixTM for Poets

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- Text is available like never before
 - Dictionaries, corpora, etc.
 - Data Collection Efforts: ACL/DCI, BNC, CLR, ECI, EDR, ICAME, LDC
 - Information Super Highway Roadkill: email, bboards, faxes
 - Billions and billions of words
- What can we do with it all?
- It is better to do something simple, than nothing at all.
- You can do the simple things yourself (DIY is more satisfying than begging for "help" from a computer officer.)

Exercises to be addressed

- 1. Count words in a text
- 2. Sort a list of words in various ways
 - ascii order
 - dictionary order
 - "rhyming" order
- 3. Extract useful info from a dictionary
- 4. Compute ngram statistics
- 5. Make a Concordance

Tools

- grep: search for a pattern (regular expression)
- sort
- uniq –c (count duplicates)
- tr (translate characters)
- wc (word count)
- sed (edit string)
- awk (simple programming language)
- cut
- paste
- comm
- join

Exercise 1: Count words in a text

- Input: text file (genesis)
- Output: list of words in the file with freq counts
- Algorithm
 - 1. Tokenize (tr)
 - 2. Sort (sort)
 - 3. Count duplicates (uniq –c)

Solution to Exercise 1

```
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' < genesis |
sort |
uniq -c

1
2 A
8 Abel
1 Abelmizraim
1 Abidah
1 Abide
1 Abimael
24 Abimelech
134 Abraham
59 Abram</pre>
```

Glue

```
read from input file < write to output file > pipe
```

Step by Step

```
sed 5q < genesis 5 \mus t quit
#Genesis
```

1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and th

1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and

1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there wa

1:4 And God saw the light, that [it was] good: and

tr -sc 'A-Za-z' ' $\012$ ' < genesis | sed 5q

Genesis words on own Ine
In
the proof first 5

tr -sc 'A-Za-z' ' $\012$ ' < genesis sort | sed 5q Words > Lines Sort by Alpha Α Α Abel Pront First 5 lines Abel tr -sc 'A-Za-z' ' $\012$ ' < genesis sort | uniq -c | sed 5q Words -> Lines 1 2 A Sort by Alpha Court Uniques 8 Abel 1 Abelmizraim 1 Abidah Print first 5 lines

More Counting Exercises

• Merge the counts for upper and lower case.

• Count sequences of vowels

• Count sequences of consonants

7: 22 hub...

sort lines of text

Example	Explanation
sort –d	dictionary order
sort –f	fold case
sort –n	numeric order
sort –nr	reverse numeric order
sort +1	start with field 1 (starting from 0)
sort +0.50	start with 50th character
sort +1.5	start with 5th character of field 1

See man page man sort

Sort Exercises

• Sort the words in Genesis by freq

```
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' < genesis |
sort |
uniq -c |
sort -nr > genesis.hist
```

- Sort them by dictionary order
- Sort them by rhyming order (hint: rev)

```
1 freely
1 sorely
5 Surely
15 surely
1 falsely
1 fly
...
echo hello world | rev
dlrow olleh
echo hello world | rev | rev
hello world
```

Important Points Thus Far

- Tools: tr, sort, uniq, sed, rev
- Glue: |, <, >
- Example: count words in a text
- Variations
 - tokenize by vowel, merge upper and lower case
 - sort by freq, dictionary order, rhyming order
- Pipes → flexibility: simple yet powerful

Bigrams

Algorithm

- 1. tokenize by word
- 2. print $word_i$ and $word_{i+1}$ on the same line
- 3. count

```
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' < genesis > genesis.words tail +2 genesis.words > genesis.nextwords
```

paste genesis.words genesis.nextwords

. . .

And God God said said Let

Let there

• • •

Exercise: count trigrams

grep & egrep: An Example of a Filter

```
Count "-ing" words

tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' < genesis |

grep 'ing$' |

sort | uniq -c
```

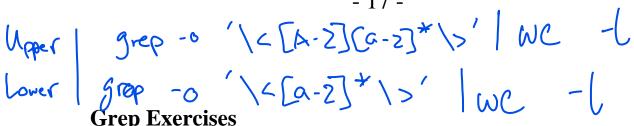
Example	Explanation
grep gh	find lines containing "gh"
grep '^con'	find lines beginning with "con"
grep 'ing\$'	find lines ending with "ing"
grep –v gh	delete lines containing "gh"
grep –v '^con'	delete lines beginning with "con"
grep -v 'ing\$'	delete lines ending with "ing"

Example	Explanation
grep '[A–Z]'	lines with an uppercase char
grep '^[A–Z]'	lines starting with an uppercase char
grep '[A–Z]\$'	lines ending with an uppercase char
grep '^[A–Z]*\$'	lines with all uppercase chars
grep '[aeiouAEIOU]' grep '^[aeiouAEIOU]' grep '[aeiouAEIOU]\$'	lines with a vowel lines starting with a vowel lines ending with a vowel
grep –i '[aeiou]' grep –i '^[aeiou]' grep –i '[aeiou]\$'	ditto
grep –i '^[^aeiou]'	lines starting with a non-vowel
grep –i '[^aeiou]\$'	lines ending with a non-vowel
grep –i '[aeiou].*[aeiou]' grep –i '^[^aeiou]*[aeiou][^aeiou]*\$'	lines with two or more vowels lines with exactly one vowel

Regular Expressions

Example	Explanation				
a	match the letter "a"				
[a-z]	match any lowercase letter				
[A-Z]	match any uppercase letter				
[0-9]	match any digit				
[0123456789]	match any digit				
[aeiouAEIUO]	match any vowel				
[^aeiouAEIOU]	match any letter but a vowel				
•	match any character				
^	beginning of line				
\$	end of line				
<i>x</i> *	any number of x				
<i>x</i> +	one or more of x (egrep only)				
x y	x or y (egrep only)				
(x)	override precedence rules (egrep only)				
	834 vowel only				
38527	words 37752 have 1+ vowel				

to get words: tr -sc 'A-z' 'In' & geness. Lut



1. How many uppercase words are there in Genesis? 5364 Lowercase? Hint: wc -1 or grep -c 32992

2. How many 4-letter words? 9040 Grep - 0 = 16 A - 2 = 43 \b' | wc - l

3. Are there any words with no vowels? yes: my, thy, s, by

grep -oE '\b[aeign AFIGU]*\b'

4. Find "1-syllable" words (words with exactly one vowel) 22632

grep -oE /b [aeion AE IOU] * (aeion AE TOW) [raeion AE TOW] * (b'

- 5. Find "2-syllable" words (words with exactly two vowels) 2389
- 6. Some words with two orthographic vowels have only one phonological vowel. Delete words ending with a silent "e" from the 2-syllable list. Delete diphthongs.

 Grep -V 'e\$' + + of grep -V

7. Find verses in Genesis with the word "light." How many have two or more instances of "light"? Three or more? Exactly two?

sed (string editor)

• print the first 5 lines (quit after the 5th line)

• print up to the first instance of a regular expression

• substitution

Example	Explanation	
sed 's/light/dark/g'		
sed 's/ly\$/_ly/g'	simple morph prog	
sed 's/[$\011$].*//g'	select first field	

sed exercises

Count morphs in genesis
 Hint: use spell -v to extract morphs,
 select first field and count

```
echo darkness | spell -v +ness darkness
```

- 2. Count word initial consonant sequences: tokenize by word, delete the vowel and the rest of the word, and count
- 3. Count word final consonant sequences

awk

- Etymology
 - Alfred Aho
 - Peter Weinberger
 - Brian Kernighan
- It is a general purpose programming language,
- though generally intended for shorter programs (1 or 2 lines)
- Especially good for manipulating lines and fields in simple ways
- WARNING: awk, nawk, gawk

Selecting Fields by Position

```
print the first field
awk '{print $1}'
cut -f1

print the second field
awk '{print $2}'
cut -f2

print the last field
awk '{print $NF}'
rev | cut -f1 | rev

print the penultimate field
awk '{print $(NF-1)}'
rev | cut -f2 | rev

print the number of fields
awk '{print $NF}'
```

Exercise: sort the words in Genesis by the number of syllables (sequences of vowels)

Filtering by Numerical Comparison

get lines with large frequencies

```
awk '$1 > 100 {print $0}' genesis.hist awk '$1 > 100 {print}' genesis.hist awk '$1 > 100' genesis.hist
```

Recall genesis.hist contains the words in genesis and their frequencies

sed 5q genesis.hist

17052

2427 and

2407 the

1359 of

1251 And

predicates:

Exercises:

- 1. find vowel sequences that appear at least 10 times
- 2. find bigrams that appear exactly twice

Filtering by String Comparison

```
sort -u genesis.words > genesis.types
```

Find palindromes

```
rev < genesis.types |
paste - genesis.types |
awk '$1 == $2'</pre>
```

A A

I I

0 0

a a

deed deed

did did

ewe ewe

noon noon

s s

- 1. == works on strings
- 2. paste
- 3. –

```
Find words that can also be spelled backwards
```

```
rev < genesis.types | cat - genesis.types |
sort | uniq -c | awk '$1 >= 2 {print $2}'
Α
Ι
0
а
deed
did
draw
evil
ewe
live
no
noon
on
S
saw
ward
was
```

Exercise: compare the bible and wsj. Find words that are in one and not in the other. Do it with awk and then do a man on comm, and do it again.

Filtering by Regular Expression Matching

Awk Exercises

- 1. Find frequent morphemes in Genesis
- 2. It is said that English avoids sequences of *-ing* words. Find bigrams where both words end in *-ing*. Do these count as counter-examples to the *-ing -ing* rule?
- 3. For comparison's sake, find bigrams where both words end in *-ed*. Should there also be a prohibition against *-ed -ed*? Are there any examples of *-ed -ed* in Genesis? If so, how many? Which verse(s)?

Memory across lines

2 b

Exercise: write a uniq -c program in awk. Hint: the following "almost" works

Fix it so it doesn't drop the last record.

```
echo a a b b c c | tr ' ' '\012' | uniq -c
2 a
2 b
2 c
echo a a b b c c | tr ' ' '\012' |
awk '$0 == prev { c++ }
$0 != prev { print c, prev
c=1; prev=$0 }'
```

uniq1

sort morphs by freq, and list 3 examples:

```
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' < genesis |
spell -v | sort | uniq1 |
awk '{print NF-1, $1, $2, $3, $4}' |
sort -nr</pre>
```

192	+s	Cherubims	Egyptians	Gentiles
129	+ed	Blessed	Feed	Galeed
77	+d	Cursed	abated	acknowledged
49	+ing	Binding	according	ascending
32	+ly	Surely	abundantly	boldly

We have to write uniq1

uniq1 merges lines with the same first field

input:

```
+s goods
+s deeds
+ed failed
+ed attacked
+ing playing
+ing singing
```

output:

```
+s goods deeds
+ed failed attacked
+ing playing singing
```

New function: printf

Exercise: extract a table of words and parts of speech from w7.frag.

. . .

```
abacus n
abaft av pp
abalone n
abandon vt n
abandoned aj
```

. . .

Arrays

Two programs for counting word frequencies:

Arrays are really hashtables

- They grow as needed.
- They take strings (and numbers) as keys.

Mutual Info: An Example of Arrays

$$I(x;y) = \log_2 \frac{Pr(x,y)}{Pr(x) Pr(y)}$$

$$I(x;y) \approx \log_2 \frac{N f(x,y)}{f(x) f(y)}$$
paste genesis.words genesis.nextwords |
sort | uniq -c > genesis.bigrams

cat genesis.hist genesis.bigrams |
awk 'NF == 2 { f[\$2]=\$1}
NF == 3 {
print $\log(N*$1/(f[$2]*f[$3]))/\log(2), $2, $3}$
' "N='wc -l genesis.words'"

Array Exercises

- 1. Mutual information is unstable for small bigram counts. Modify the previous prog so that it doesn't produce any output when the bigram count is less than 5.
- 2. Compute t, using the approximation:

$$t \approx \frac{f(x,y) - \frac{1}{N} f(x) f(y)}{\sqrt{f(x,y)}}$$

Find the 10 bigrams in Genesis with the largest t.

- 3. Print the words that appear in both Genesis and wsj.frag, followed by their freqs in the two samples.

 Do a man on join and do it again.
- 4. Repeat the previous exercise, but don't distinguish uppercase words from lowercase words.

KWIC

Input:

All's well that ends well. Nature abhors a vacuum. Every man has a price.

Output:

Every man has a price.

Nature abhors a vacuum.

Nature abhors a vacuum

All's well that ends well.

Every man has a price.

Every man has a price

Every man has a price.

All's well that ends well.

Nature abhors a vacuum.

All's well that ends

well that ends well.

KWIC Solution

```
awk '
{for(i=1; i<length($0); i++)
    if(substr($0, i, 1) == " ")
        printf("%15s%s\n",
        substr($0, i-15, i<=15 ? i-1 : 15),
        substr($0, i, 15))}'</pre>
```

- substr
- length
- printf
- for(i=1; i<n; i++) { ... }
- pred? true: false

Concordance: An Example of the match function

Exercise: Make a concordance instead of a KWIC index. That is, show only those lines that match the input word.

```
awk '{i=0;
    while(m=match(substr($0, i+1), "well")){
        i+=m
        printf("%15s%s\n",
            substr($0, i-15, i<=15 ? i-1 : 15),
            substr($0, i, 15))}'

    All's well that ends
well that ends well.</pre>
```

Passing args from the command-line

```
awk '{i=0;
    while(m=match(substr($0, i+1), re)) {
        i+=m
        printf("%15s%s\n",
            substr($0, i-15, i<=15 ? i-1 : 15),
            substr($0, i, 15))}
    ' re=" [^aeiouAEIOU]"

        All's well that ends
        All's well that ends well
    well that ends well.
Nature abhors a vacuum.
        Every man has a price
        Every man has a price.</pre>
```

- match takes regular expressions
- while (expression) { action }

KWIC in C: A First Try

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAXFILE 1000
\#define MIN(a,b) ((a)<(b)?(a):(b))
char text[MAXFILE];
output(char *text, int start, int end)
  for( ; start<0; start++) putchar(' ');</pre>
  for( ; start<end; start++) {</pre>
    char c = text[start];
    if(c == ' \setminus 012') c = '_';
    putchar(c);
  putchar('\n');
main()
{
  int i, n;
  n = fread(text, sizeof(char), MAXFILE, stdin);
  for(i=0;i<n;i++)
    if(text[i] == ' ')
      output(text, i-15, MIN(i+15, n));
```

Problems with First Try

- MAXFILE: a hardwired limit
- Worse, no error checking on MAXFILE
- Large files are truncated (silently)
- \bullet \rightarrow incorrect output

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <malloc.h>
void fatal(char *msq) {
  fprintf(stderr, "%s\n", msg);
  exit(2);}
int file length(FILE *fd) {
  struct stat stat buf;
  if(fstat(fileno(fd), &stat buf) != -1)
    return(stat_buf.st_size);
  return(-1);}
main(int ac, char **av) {
  if(ac != 2) fatal("wrong number of args");
  else {
    FILE *fd = fopen(av[1], "r");
    int i, n=file_length(fd);
    char *text=malloc(n);
    if(!text) fatal("input is too large");
    fread(text, sizeof(char), n, fd);
    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
      if(text[i] == ' ')
        output(text, i-15, MIN(i+15, n));}}
```

Comments on Second Try

- Works on larger files
- Doesn't accept input from a pipe.
- Still doesn't work on really large files, but now there's an error msg.

Memory Mapping: Works Quickly on Really Large Files

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
void *mmapfile(char *filename, int *n)
  FILE *fd = fopen(filename, "r");
  if(!fd) return(fd);
  *n = file length(fd);
  return(mmap(NULL, *n, PROT_READ,
              MAP_PRIVATE, fileno(fd), 0));
}
main(int ac, char **av)
{
  if(ac != 2) fatal("wrong number of args");
  else {
    int i, n;
    char *text=mmapfile(av[1], &n);
    if(!text) fatal("can't open input file");
    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
      if(text[i] == ' ')
        output(text, i-15, MIN(i+15, n));
```

A Set of Corpus Tools Designed for Mmap

- Two data structures (in separate files):
 - 1. wordlist: seq of the V types in vocab
 - 2. *corpus*: seq of the **N** tokens in the text
- The *wordlist* is stored as a sequence of **V** strings, separated by nulls (octal 0) rather than newlines (octal 12). There is also a *wordlist.idx*, a sequence of **V** ints, indicating the starting position of each word in the wordlist. This way, the wordlist object can be mmapped into memory without having to parse the strings.
- The *corpus* is stored as a sequence of **N** ints, one for each of the **N** tokens in the text. Each int is an offset into the wordlist.

Print & Intern

- By analogy with LISP,
 - wordlist ~ a symbol table of pnames (print names),
 - corpus ~ an array of pointers into the symbol table.
- We can count word freqs and ngrams by manipulating the pointers without having to follow the pointers into the symbol table.
- Fixed-sized pointers are convenient for random access.

LISP-like operations:

- *intern*: text \rightarrow corpus
- print: corpus \rightarrow text

```
• intern: text → corpus
# poor man's intern
awk '{if($1 in tab) {print tab[$1]}
else {print $1 > "wordlist"
print tab[$1] = code++ }}' |
atoi

• print: corpus → text
# poor man's print
itoa |
awk 'BEGIN {while (getline < "wordlist")
tab[code++]=$1}
{print tab[$1]}'</pre>
```

atoi: ascii → int
 itoa: int → ascii

• Wordlist is really delimited with nulls, not newlines

hist corpus

```
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' |
sort |
uniq -c

tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' |
intern -v wordlist > corpus

hist_corpus < corpus > hist

hist = (int *)malloc(sizeof(int) * V);
memset(hist, 0, sizeof(int) * V);
while((w=getw(stdin)) != EOF)
   hist[w]++;
fwrite(hist, sizeof(int), V, stdout);
```

- Counts word freqs without consulting into the wordlist (symbol table).
- No string operations

counting ngrams

```
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' > w0
tail +2 > w1
paste w0 w1 | sort | uniq -c > bigrams

# independently motivated (no additional cost)
tr -sc 'A-Za-z' '\012' |
intern -v wordlist > corpus

generate_bigrams < corpus |
  count_by_hashing |
  count_by_sorting |
  print_bigrams > bigrams

struct bigram {
  float value;
  int elts[2];
};
```

- count_by_hashing reads bigrams into a large hash table. Increments values when possible. If collision, one of the bigrams is written out on stdout.
- count_by_sorting works like sort | uniq -c, but operates on the pointers, and does not follow them into the wordlist.

```
/* generate bigrams */
struct bigram b;
b.value = 1;
b.elts[1] = getw(stdin);
for(;;) {
  b.elts[0] = b.elts[1];
  b.elts[1] = getw(stdin);
  if(b.elts[1] == EOF) break;
  fwrite(&b, sizeof(struct bigram), 1, stdout);
}
/* print bigrams */
char *wordlist = mmapfile("wordlist", &nwl);
int *idx = (int *)mmapfile("wordlist.idx", &V);
V /= sizeof(int);
#define PNAME(w) (wordlist + idx[w])
struct bigram b;
while(fread(&b, sizeof(struct bigram), 1, stdin))
  printf("%f\t%s\t%s\n",
         b.value,
         PNAME(b.elts[0]),
         PNAME(b.elts[1]));
```

Mutual Info

t-score

Concordancing

```
refs <pattern> | pconc

refs uses an inverted file (conc) to find the locations of
<pattern> in corpus

pconc then prints these locations

/* pconc */
while((ref=getw(stdin)) != EOF) {
  int *c = corpus + ref;
  pline(c-context, c+context);}

pline(int *s, int *e) {
  while(s < e)
    printf("%s ", PNAME(*s++));</pre>
```

putchar('\n');}

The conc file is a seq of **N** ints; it is the same size as the corpus file.

```
itoa < corpus |
awk '{print $1, NR-1}' |
sort +n |
awk '{ print $2 }' |
atoi > conc
```

The *conc.idx* file is the cumulative sum of the *hist* file.

```
itoa < hist |
awk ' { x += $1; print x }' |
atoi > conc.idx
```

Exercises

- 1. intern
- 2. print_corpus
- 3. generate_bigrams
- 4. print_bigrams
- 5. count_by_hashing
- 6. count_by_sorting
- 7. mutual_info
- 8. tscore
- 9. itoa
- 10. atoi
- 11. refs
- 12. pconc