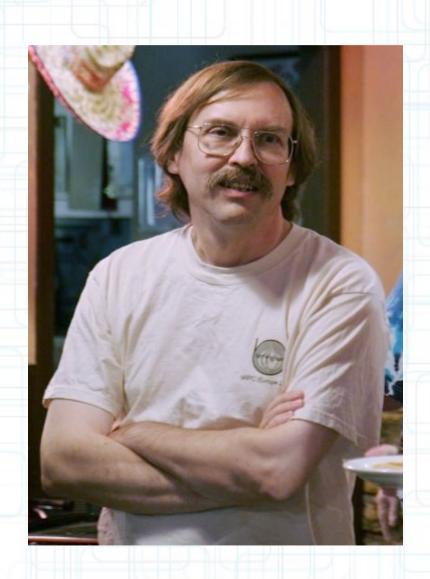


# **Larry Wall**

the Benevolent Dictator for Life of the Perl project





Larry Wall originally created Perl while a programmer at

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#### Motivation

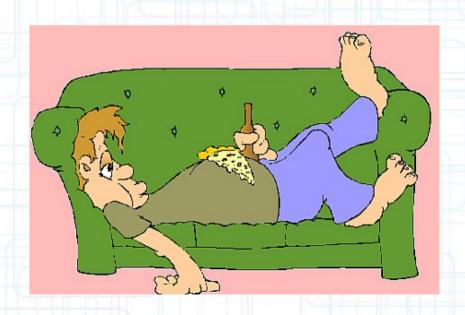
#### From the author:

I could have solved my problem with awk and shell eventually, but I possess a fortuitous surplus of the three chief virtues of a programmer:

- \* Laziness
- \* Impatience
- \* Hubris

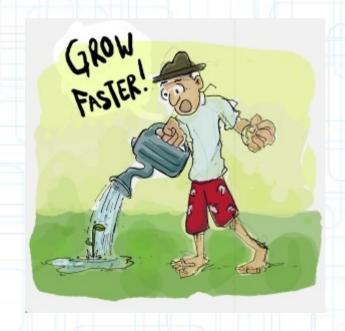
#### Laziness

I was too lazy to do it in awk because it would have been hard to get awk to jump through the hoops I was wanting it to jump through.



## **Impatience**

I was too impatient to wait for awk to finish because it was so slow.



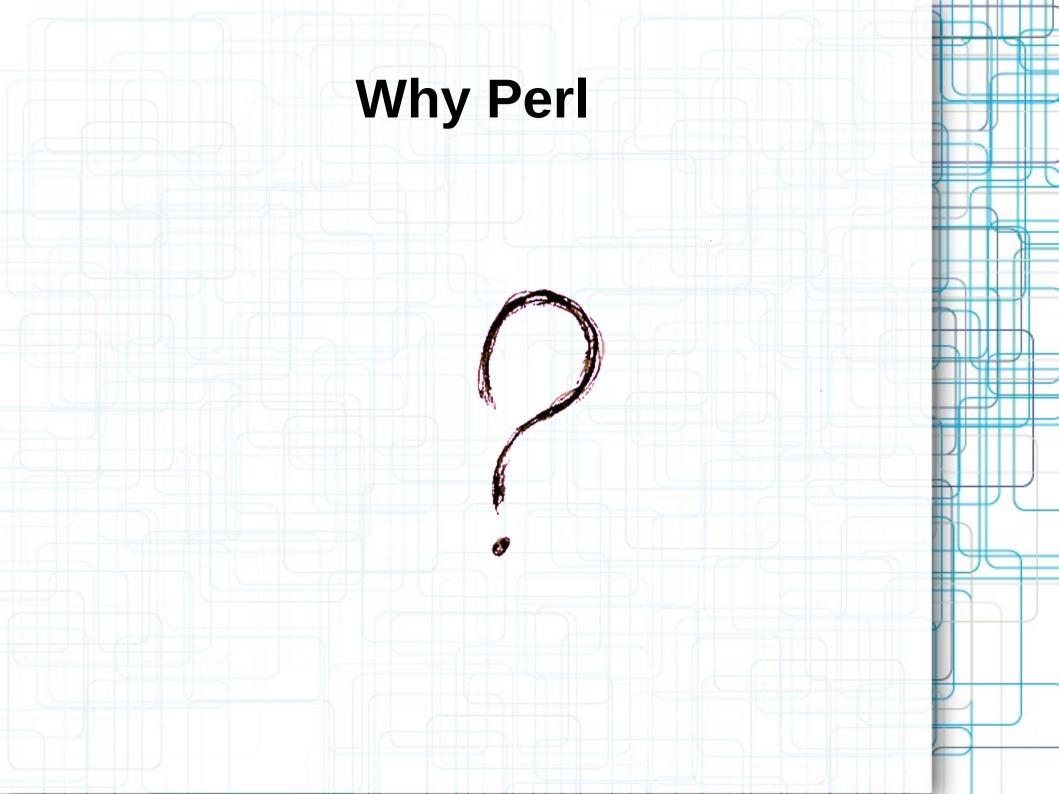
#### **Hubris**

I had the hubris to think I could do better.



### What Perl can do?





#### **Obfuscated code**

```
#define/**/X
                 char*d="X0[!4cM,!"
              "4cK * ! 4cJc( ! 4cHa&! 4c$1"
            "8f'!&~]9e)!'|:d+!)rAc-!*m*"
          ":d/!4c(b4e0!1r2e2!/t0e4!-y-c6!"
         "+|,c6!)f$b(h*c6!(d'b(i)d5!(b*a' &c"
         ")c5!'b+'&b'c)c4!&b-_$c'd*c3!&a.h'd+"
        "d1!%a/q'e+e0!%b-q(d.d/!&c*h'd1d-!(d%q)"
       "d4d+!*1,d7d)!,h-d;c'!.b@c>d%!A`Dc$![7)35E"
      "!'1cA,,!2kE`*!-s@d(!(k(f//g&!)f.e5'f(!+a+)"
      "f%2g*!?f5f,!=f-*e/!\d6e1!9e0'f3!6f)-g5!4d*b"
"+e6!9f%k)d7!+~^'c7!)z/d-+!'n%a0(d5!%c1a+/d4"
      "!2)c9e2!9b;e1!8b>e/!
                               7cAd-15fAe+17fBe(1"
                                bF 711b?' 611c.8b4"
     "8hBd&!:iAd$![7S,Q0!1
                                       ' 1%y4e51&f%"
     "!2b*a.*d3!2n4f2!${4
                                        :!/i('`&d"
    "d-^-d7!4c+b)d9!4c-a
                                         "'b&!<br/>Cb&
    ": !+1'a+d<!)1*b(d=!'
                                            ^&d$`''
   "'0 &c?!$dAc@!$cBc@!$
                                                18"
   ":!$d9_&1++^$!%f3a
                                              f &d+"
  "f/c(o/_%!(f+c)q*c
  "f$s&!-n,d)n(!0i-
                                              ! 3d"
                                                  71"
  "/b0h*!H`7a.![7*
 "[=ohr&o*t*q*`*d
"7*~=h./}tcrsth
                                                  02"
                       &t
                                                   9b"
                                                   t8-"
"1.,b-725-.t--//
                      ].t--+r
                                                    53''
"752793? <.~;b
                      <6/<.v;-52/={
                                                    goh"
"7-r[/9~X .u90
                                                      , b''
"./}q; u vto
                          .i*$engt$
                           = it. ;7=
        =t ;v;
                                                      `}o"
"725
"`.d
       = / 0`.
                             ;b]`--[/+
                                              55/
      : - ?5
5 2 = `
                                           v/i]q
"-[;
"v96
                                          o;53-
      (7.7
"--/i ]q--
"i]q--[";v
"52={cj u
                 c&`
"?4=o:d=
"-[;54={ cj
                               i]q
                 uc&
"[;76=i]q[;6
                  =USP
"=),BihÝ_gha
                  ,)\0
 3217];int i,
                 r,w,f
 p;n(){return
                 r <X
 768?d[X(143+
                X r++
                ? 59:
  768]:r>2659
                                            7681
  [(r++-768)% X 947
                     34
  x^(p?6:0):(p
  ;}s(){for(x= n
                     ();
 ?6:0))==32;x= n
                                  return x
                      ()
 void/**/main X
 =0;w=sprintf (X
                                        X X
                                   f=1;f <
 "char*d="); for
                                     f++ X
 +143;)if(33-( b=d
 ){if(b<93){if X(!
  [w++]=34;for
   (p?0:1);i<b;
                    i++
   [w++]=5();0[
                     U++
     =p?s():34;}
                     else
       {for(i=92:
                      i<b:
                       32;}
        ++)0[W++]=
                            w]=0
```

# Enough is enough



Will you close your slide, start the codding or I will !!!