LINUX作業系統實務

09. Regular Expressions – grep and sed

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正規表達式 Regular Expression: regex > regexp或RE

- 使用單個字串來描述、匹配一系列符合某個句法規則的字串。
- 通常被用來檢索、替換那些符合某個模式的文字。
- 正規表達式這個概念最初是由Unix中的工具軟體(例如sed和grep)普遍開的。
- 1940年,沃倫·麥卡洛克與Walter Pitts將神經系統中的神經元描述成小而簡單的自動控制元。
- 1950年代,數學家史蒂芬·科爾·克萊尼利用稱之為「正規集合」的數學符號來描述此模型
- 肯·湯普遜將此符號系統引入編輯器QED,隨後是Unix上的編輯器ed,並最終引入grep。自此以後,正規表達式被廣泛地應用於各種Unix或類Unix系統的工具中。
- 正規表示式的POSIX規範,分為基本型正規表示式(Basic Regular Expression,BRE)和擴充型正規表示式(Extended Regular Express,ERE)兩大流派。

理論

- 正規表示式可以用形式化語言理論的方式來表達。正規表示式由常數和算子組成,它們分別表示字串的集合和在這些集合上的運算。給定有限字母表Σ定義了下列常數:
 - 空集Ø表示集合Ø。[發音: u in 'burn']
 - 空字串ε表示僅包含一個「不含任何字元、長度為0的字串」的集合。[發音:epsilon]
 - 文字字元 $a \in \Sigma$ 表示僅包含一個元素a的集合 $\{a\}$ 。[發音:sigma]

運算

- 串接 RS表示集合{αβ |α∈ R, β∈ S},這裡的αβ表示將α和β兩個字串按順序連接。例如:{ab,c}{d,ef}={abd,abef,cd,cef}。
- 選擇 R|S表示R和S的聯集。例如:{ab,c}|{ab,d,ef}={ab,c,d,ef}。
- 克萊尼(Kleene)星號 R*表示包含ε且在字串串接運算下閉合的R的最小 超集。這是可以通過R中零或有限個字串的串接得到所有字串的集合。 例如: {ab,c}*={ε,ab,c,abab,abc,cab,cc,ababab,...}
- 上述常數和算子形成了克萊尼代數。
- 也很常使用U, + 或V替代豎線。

優先級順序

- 為了避免括號,假定Kleene星號有最高優先級,接著是串接,接著是聯集。
- 如果沒有歧義則可以省略括號。例如:(ab)c可以寫為abc而a|(b(c*))可以寫為a|bc*。
- 舉例:
 - a|b*表示{ε,a,b,bb,bbb,...}
 - (a|b)*表示包括空字串和任意數目個a或b字元組成的所有字串的集合: {ε,a,b,aa,ab,ba,bb,aaa...}
 - ab*(c|ε)表示開始於一個a接著零或多個b和最後一個可選的c組成的字串的集合: {a,ac,ab,abc,abb,abbc...}。
- 正規表示式也定義了?和+;aa*等於a+,表示a出現至少一次;而(a|ε)等於a?,表示a出現1次或不出現。
- ~為補運算子, ~R表示在Σ*上但不在R中的所有字串的集合。

基本語法

- 一個正規表示式通常被稱為一個模式(pattern),為用來描述或者匹配一系列符合某個句法規則的字串。例如:Handel、Händel和Haendel 這三個字串,都可以由H(a|ä|ae)ndel這個模式來描述。
- 大部分正規表示式的形式都有如下的結構:
 - 選擇: 豎線|代表選擇(即或集),具有最低優先級。例如gray|grey可以匹配 grey或gray。
 - •數量限定: 某個字元後的數量限定符用來限定前面這個字元允許出現的個數。最常見的數量限定符包括+、?和*(不加數量限定則代表出現一次且僅出現一次):
 - 加號+代表前面的字元必須至少出現一次。(1次或多次)。例如,goo+gle可以匹配 google、gooogle、gooogle等;
 - 問號?代表前面的字元最多只可以出現一次。(0次或1次)。例如,colou?r可以匹配color或者colour;
 - 星號*代表前面的字元可以不出現,也可以出現一次或者多次。(0次、1次或多次)。 例如,0*42可以匹配42、042、0042、00042等。

匹配

- 圓括號()可以用來定義運算子的範圍和優先度。例如,gr(a|e)y等價於gray|grey,(grand)?father匹配father和grandfather。
- 上述這些構造子都可以自由組合,因此H(ae?|ä)ndel和 H(a|ae|ä)ndel是相同的,表示{"Handel", "Haendel", "Händel"}。

PCRE (Perl_Compatible_Regular_Expressions) 表達式全集

- ^ 匹配輸入字串的開始位置。如果設定了RegExp物件的Multiline屬性,^也匹配「\n」或「\r」之後的位置。
- \$ 匹配輸入字串的結束位置。如果設定了RegExp物件的Multiline屬性,\$也匹配「\n」或「\r」之前的位置。
- * 匹配前面的子表達式零次或多次。例如,zo*能匹配「z」、「zo」以及「zoo」。*等價於{0,}。
- + 匹配前面的子表達式一次或多次。例如,「zo+」能匹配「zo」以及「zoo」,但不能匹配「z」。+等價於{1,}。
- ? 匹配前面的子表達式零次或一次。例如,「do(es)?」可以匹配「does」中的「do」和「does」。?等價於{0,1}。
- {n} n是一個非負整數。匹配確定的n次。例如,「o{2}」不能匹配「Bob」中的「o」,但是能匹配「food」中的兩個o。
- $\{n,\}$ n是一個非負整數。至少匹配n次。例如,「o $\{2,\}$ 」不能匹配「Bob」中的「o」,但能匹配「foooood」中的所有o。「o $\{1,\}$ 」等價於「o+」。「o $\{0,\}$ 」則等價於「o*」。
- {n,m} m和n均為非負整數,其中n<=m。最少匹配n次且最多匹配m次。例如,「o{1,3}」將匹配「fooooood」中的前三個o
- ? 非貪心量化(Non-greedy quantifiers):當該字元緊跟在任何一個其他重複修飾詞(*,+,?, {n}, {n,}, {n,m})後面時,匹配模式是非貪婪的。非貪婪模式儘可能少的匹配所搜尋的字串,而預設的貪婪模式則儘可能多的匹配所搜尋的字串。例如,對於字串「oooo」,「o+?」將匹配單個「o」,而「o+」將匹配所有「o」。

- . 匹配除「\r」「\n」之外的任何單個字元。要匹配包括「\r」「\n」在内的任何字元,請使用像「(.|\r|\n)」的模式。
- (pattern) 匹配pattern並取得這一匹配的子字串。
- (?:pattern) 匹配pattern但不取得匹配的子字串(shy groups),也就是說這是一個非取得匹配,不儲存匹配的子字串用於 向後參照。這在使用或字元「(|)」來組合一個模式的各個部分是很有用。例如「industr(?:y|ies)」就是一個比「industry|industries」 更簡略的表達式。
- (?=pattern) 正向肯定預查(look ahead positive assert),在任何匹配pattern的字串開始處匹配尋找字串。這是一個非取得匹配,也就是說,該匹配不需要取得供以後使用。例如,「Windows(?=95|98|NT|2000)」能匹配「Windows2000」中的「Windows」,但不能匹配「Windows3.1」中的「Windows」。預查不消耗字元,也就是說,在一個匹配發生後,在最後一次匹配之後立即開始下一次匹配的搜尋,而不是從包含預查的字元之後開始。
- (?!pattern) 正向否定預查(negative assert),在任何不匹配pattern的字串開始處匹配尋找字串。這是一個非取得匹配,也就是說,該匹配不需要取得供以後使用。例如「Windows(?!95|98|NT|2000)」能匹配「Windows3.1」中的「Windows」,但不能匹配「Windows2000」中的「Windows」。預查不消耗字元,也就是說,在一個匹配發生後,在最後一次匹配之後立即開始下一次匹配的搜尋,而不是從包含預查的字元之後開始
- (?<=pattern) 反向(look behind)肯定預查,與正向肯定預查類似,只是方向相反。例如,「(?<=95|98|NT|2000)Windows」
 能匹配「2000Windows」中的「Windows」,但不能匹配「3.1Windows」中的「Windows」。
- (?<!pattern) 反向否定預查,與正向否定預查類似,只是方向相反。例如「(?<!95|98|NT|2000)Windows」能匹配「3.1Windows」中的「Windows」,但不能匹配「2000Windows」中的「Windows」。

- x|y 沒有包圍在()里,其範圍是整個正規表示式。例如,「z|food」能匹配「z」或「food」。「(?:z|f)ood」則匹配「zood」或「food」。
- [xyz] 字元集合(character class)。匹配所包含的任意一個字元。例如,「[abc]」可以匹配「plain」中的「a」。特殊字元僅有反斜線\保持特殊含義,用於跳脫字元。其它特殊字元如星號、加號、各種括號等均作為普通字元。脫字元^如果出現在首位則表示負值字元集合;如果出現在字串中間就僅作為普通字元。連字元 如果出現在字串中間表示字元範圍描述;如果如果出現在首位(或末尾)則僅作為普通字元。右方括號應跳脫出現,也可以作為首位字元出現。
- [^xyz] 排除型字元集合(negated character classes)。匹配未列出的任意字元。例如,「[^abc]」可以匹配「plain」中的「plin」。
- [a-z] 字元範圍。匹配指定範圍內的任意字元。例如,「[a-z]」可以匹配「a」到「z」範圍內的任意小寫字母字元。
- [^a-z] 排除型的字元範圍。匹配任何不在指定範圍內的任意字元。例如,「[^a-z]」可以匹配任何不在「a」到「z」 範圍內的任意字元。
- [:name:] 增加命名字元類 (named character class) [註 1]中的字元到表達式。只能用於方括號表達式。
- [.elt.] 增加排序元素(collation element)elt到表達式中。這是因為某些排序元素由多個字元組成。例如,29個字母表的西班牙語,"CH"作為單個字母排在字母C之後,因此會產生如此排序「cinco, credo, chispa」。只能用於方括號表達式。
- \b 匹配一個單詞邊界,也就是指單詞和空格間的位置。例如,「er\b」可以匹配「never」中的「er」,但不能 匹配「verb」中的「er」。
- \B 匹配非單詞邊界。「er\B」能匹配「verb」中的「er」,但不能匹配「never」中的「er」。

- \cx 匹配由x指明的控制字元。x的值必須為A-Z或a-z之一。否則,將c視為一個原義的「c」字元。控制字元的值等於x的值最低5位元(即對3210進位的餘數)。例如,\cM匹配一個Control-M或回車字元。\ca等效於\u0001, \cb等效於\u0002, 等等...
- \d 匹配一個數字字元。等價於[0-9]。注意Unicode正規表示式會匹配全形數字字元。
- \D 匹配一個非數字字元。等價於[^0-9]。
- \n 匹配一個換行符。等價於\x0a和\cJ。
- \r 匹配一個回車字元。等價於\x0d和\cM。
- \s 匹配任何空白字元,包括空格、制表符、換頁符等等。等價於[\f\n\r\t\v]。注意Unicode正規表示式會匹配全形空格符。
- \S 匹配任何非空白字元。等價於[^\f\n\r\t\v]。
- \v 匹配一個垂直制表符。等價於\x0b和\cK。
- \w 匹配包括底線的任何單詞字元。等價於「[A-Za-z0-9_]」。注意Unicode正規表示式會匹配中文字元。

- \W 匹配任何非單詞字元。等價於「[^A-Za-z0-9]」。
- \xnn 十六進位跳脫字元序列。匹配兩個十六進位數字nn表示的字元。例如,「\x41」匹配「A」。「\x041」則等價於「\x04&1」。正規表達式中可以使用ASCII編碼。.
- \num 向後參照(back-reference)一個子字串(substring),該子字串與正規表示式的第num個用括號 圍起來的捕捉群(capture group)子表達式(subexpression)匹配。其中num是從1開始的十進位正整數, 其上限可能是9[註 2]、31[註 3]、99甚至無限[註 4]。例如:「(.)\1」匹配兩個連續的相同字元。
- \n 標識一個八進位跳脫值或一個向後參照。如果\n之前至少n個取得的子表達式,則n為向後參照。 否則,如果n為八進位數字(0-7),則n為一個八進位跳脫值。
- \nm 3位八進位數字,標識一個八進位跳脫值或一個向後參照。如果\nm之前至少有nm個獲得子表達式,則nm為向後參照。如果\nm之前至少有n個取得,則n為一個後跟文字m的向後參照。如果前面的條件都不滿足,若n和m均為八進位數字(0-7),則\nm將匹配八進位跳脫值nm。
- nml 如果n為八進位數字(0-3),且m和l均為八進位數字(0-7),則匹配八進位跳脫值nml。
- \un Unicode跳脫字元序列。其中n是一個用四個十六進位數字表示的Unicode字元。例如,\u00A9匹配著作權符號(©)。

Unicode處理與字元組

- 在.NET、Java、JavaScript、Python的正規表示式中,可以用 \uXXXX表示一個Unicode字元,其中XXXX為四位16進位數字。
- 更詳細請參照: https://zh.m.wikipedia.org/zh-tw/%E6%AD%A3%E5%88%99%E8%A1%A8%E8%BE%BE%E5%BC%8F
- http://alfredwebdesign.blogspot.com/2014/08/php-regularexpression.html
- http://www.regular-expressions.info/php.html

玩遊戲

- Fill a grid with characters that match the regexes on the vertical and horizontal lines, usually revealing a word or phrase https://regexcrossword.com/
- Find a regex that matches all highlighted elements from a piece of content http://play.inginf.units.it/
- Find a regex that matches a list of words, but it also must not match another list https://alf.nu/RegexGolf

Simple filters

- Filters: text manipulation tools, commands that use both standard IO.
- \$ pr -t -n -d -o 10 group1
 - 1 root:x:0:root
 - 2 bin:x:1:root,bin,daemon
 - 3 users:x:200:henry,image,enquiry
 - 4 adm:x:25:adm,daemon,listen
 -(pr is often used with | Ip to preprocess text files before they are printed.
- -t: Eliminates headers, footers, and margins totally
- -n: Numbers lines in output
- -d: Double-spaces output
- -o n: Offsets output by n spaces

cmp: Byte-by-Byte Comparison

• \$ cmp group1 group1

group1 group2 differ: char 47, line 3

It echoes the first mismatch only by default.

```
• $ cmp -l group[12]

47
62
61
109
70
71
128
71
70
cmp: EOF on group1

Using a wild card

62
61
70
71
group1 finishes first
```

Three differences. Character 47 has the ASCII octal values 62 and 61 in the two files.

- \$ cmp -| group? | wc -| Count the number of differences 3 differences till EOF
- This command returns true when files are identical and false otherwise.

comm: What is Common?

Compares files line by line and displays results in three columns:

Column 1 Lines unique to the first file

Column 2 Lines unique to the second file

Column 3 Lines common to both files

- Files must be sorted first.
- \$ comm -3 foo1 foo2

• \$ comm -13 foo1 foo2

Selects lines not common to both files

Selects lines present only in second file

diff: Converting One File to Another

• \$ diff group[12]

3c3 Change line3 of first file

--- to

> users:x:100:henry,image,enquiry this

5,6c5,6 Change lines 5 to 6

< dialout:x:18:root,henry Replace these two lines

< lp:x:19:1p

< dialout:x:18:root,henry with these two

< lp:x:19:1p

7a8 Append after line 7 of first file

> cron:x:16:cron this line

diff instructions



- 3c3: changes line 3 with one line, which remains line 3 afterwards.
- 7a8: appends a line after line 7, yielding line number 8 in the second change.
- 5,6c: changes two lines
- \$ diff -e

This command option produces a set of instructions only

head: Displaying the Beginning of a File

- It displays 10 lines by default.
- \$ head -n 3 group1
 displays the first 3 lines
- \$ vi `ls -t | head -n 1` picks up the first file from the list of files displayed in order of their modification time.
- \$ grep "IMG SRC.*GIF" quote.html | head -n 5 picks up the first five lines containing the string GIF after the words IMG SRC

tail: Displaying the End of a File

- It displays the last 10 lines by default.
- \$ tail -n 3 group1 displays the last 3 lines
- \$ tail +801 foo 801th line onwards, possible with + symbol
- \$ tail -f /oracle/app/oracle/product/8.1/orainst/install.log monitor the installation of Oracle by watching the growth of the log file.
- \$ tail -c -512 foo

Copies last 512 bytes from foo

• \$ tail -c +512 foo

Copies everything after 512 bytes from foo

cut: Slitting a File Vertically

- head and tail are used to slice a file horizontally, you can slice a file vertically with the cut command.
- \$ cut -c1-4 group1 extract the first four columns of the group file (1-4 is the range)
- \$ cut -c -3,6-22,28-34,55- foo (-3 is the same as 1-3, 55- means from 55 to the end of the line, notice that this must be an ascending list)

sort: Ordering a File

- Ordering of data in ascending or descending sequence.
- -tchar: uses delimiter char to identify fields
- -k n: sorts on nth field
- -k m,n: starts sort on mth field and ends sort on nth field
- -u: removes repeated lines
- -n: sorts numerically
- -r: reverse sort order

uniq: Locate Repeated and Non-repeated Lines

\$ cut -d: -f3 shortlist | sort | uniq -c (cut the third field with cut, sort it with sort, and then run uniq -c to produce a count)

```
$ cat dept.lst (this is a file containing repeated lines)

01: 123
02: 2123
03: 3123
04: 4123

$ uniq dept.lst (uniq fetches a copy of each line and writes it to the SO)

01: 123
02: 2123
03: 3123
04: 4123

$ sort dept.lst | uniq - uniqlist (same output, writes to uniqlist)
-u: selecting the non-repeated lines
```

• -d: selecting the duplicate lines

• -c: counting frequency of occurrence

tr: Translating Characters

- format: tr options expression1 expression2 standard input
- Let's use tr to replace the : with a ~ and the / with a -.
 \$ tr ':/' '~-' < shortlist | head -n 3 (the length of the two expressions should be equal)
- Also can change case of text:

```
$ head -n 3 shortlist | tr '[a-Z]' '[A-Z]'
```

Delete characters (-d):

```
$ tr -d ':/' < shortlist | head -n 3
```

• Compress multiple consecutive characters (-s):

```
$ tr -s ' ' < shortlist | head -n 3
```

Complement values of expression (-c):

```
$ tr -cd ':/' < shortlist (delete all characters except the : and /)
```

Example I: listing the give large files in the current directory

1. Reverse-sort this space-delimited output in numeric sequence on the fifth field:

```
$ |s -| | sort -k 5 -nr
```

2. Extract the first five lines from the sorted output:

```
$ | s - | | sort - k 5 - nr | head - n 5
```

3. Squeeze multiple spaces to a single space:

```
$ Is -I | sort -k 5 -nr | head -n 5 | tr -s " "
```

4. Cut the fifth and last fields:

```
$ Is -I | sort -k 5 -nr | head -n 5 | tr -s " " | cut -d" " -f5,9
```

Example II: creating a word-usage list

1. tr can place each word in a separate line:

```
tr "\011" "\012\012" < foo1 (space is \040, tab is octal 011)
```

2. Delete all non-alphabetic characters (apart from the newline), need to use complementary (-c) and delete (-d):

```
$ tr "\011" "\012\012" < foo1 | tr -cd "[a-zA-Z\012]"
```

3. Sort this output (each word on a separate line), pipe it to uniq -c:

```
$ tr "\011" "\012\012" < foo1 | tr -cd "[a-zA-Z\012]" | sort | uniq -c
```

4. Sort the list in reverse numeric sequence and print it in 3 cols:

```
$ tr "\011" "\012\012" < foo1 | tr -cd "[a-zA-Z\012]" | sort | uniq -c \
> sort -nr | pr -t -3
(split the command line into two lines by using \)
```

Example III: finding out the difference between two password files

1. First cut out the first field of passwd1 and save the sorted output:

```
$ cut -f1 -d: passwd1 | sort > temp
$ cut -f1 -d: passwd2 | sort > temp2
```

2. Compare these two files with comm -23 (can do this job without creating the temp2):

```
$ cut -f1 -d: passwd2 | sort | comm -23 temp - ; rm temp
    ftp
    joe
    juliet
```

(comm -23 lists only those lines that are in the first file, and the - ensured that the output from sort was supplied as SI)

grep: Searching for a Pattern

- Format: grep options pattern filename(s)
- Example: use grep to display lines containing the string sales from the sample emp.lst

```
$ cat emp.1st
2233|charles harris
                     g.m.
                               sales
                                           [12/12/52] 90000
                     |director |production|03/12/50|130000
9876|bill johnson
                               |marketing |04/19/43| 85000
5678 robert dylan
                     d.g.m.
2365 john woodcock
                     |director |personnel |05/11/47|120000
5423 barry wood
                     |chairman |admin
                                           08/30/56 160000
                                           |09/03/38|140000
1006|gordon lightfoot|director |sales
                                          |06/05/62|105000
6213|michael lennon
                     g.m.
                                accounts
1265 p.j. woodhouse
                               sales
                                           |09/12/63| 90000
                     manager
4290 neil o'bryan
                      executive|production|09/07/50| 65000
2476|jackie wodehouse|manager |sales
                                           |05/01/59|110000
6521 derryk o'brien
                     |director |marketing | 09/26/45|125000
3212|bill wilcocks
                     d.g.m.
                               accounts
                                           |12/12/55| 85000
3564 ronie trueman
                     [executive|personnel | 07/06/47 | 75000
```

\$ grep sales emp.1st

```
2233 charles harris | g.m.
                                         12/12/52 90000
                               sales
1006 gordon lightfoot director |sales
                                         |09/03/38|140000
1265 p.j. woodhouse | manager
                                         |09/12/63| 90000
                               sales
2476|jackie wodehouse|manager
                                         |05/01/59|110000
                              sales
```

 grep is also a filter, so it can search its SI for the pattern and store the output in a file:

```
$ who | grep henry > foo
```

grep can search two files:

```
$ grep director emp1.1st emp2.1st
emp1.1st:1006|gordon lightfoot|director |sales
                                                   109/03/38 140000
empl.lst:6521|derryk o'brien |director |marketing |09/26/45|125000
emp2.1st:9876|bill johnson
                              |director |production|03/12/50|130000
emp2.1st:2365|john woodcock
                              |director |personnel |05/11/47|120000
```

(To suppress the filenames, you can use cut to select all but the first field using grep as its input. You can also use: cat emp[12].lst | grep "director"

Quoting in grep

• Let's use a two-word string both within and without quotes:

```
$ grep gordon lightfoot emp.lst
grep: lightfoot: No such file or directory
emp.lst:1006|gordon lightfoot|director |sales | 109/03/38|140000
$ grep 'gordon lightfoot' emp.lst
1006|gordon lightfoot|director |sales | 109/03/38|140000
```

grep Options

Option	Significance
-c	Displays count of number of occurrences
Joseph.	Displays list of filenames only
-n	Displays line numbers along with lines
-v	Doesn't display lines matching expression
-i	Ignores case when matching
-h	Omits filenames when handling multiple files
-w	Matches complete word (grep only)
-e pat	Also matches pattern pat beginning with a - (hyphen)
-e pat	As above, but can be used multiple times (Linux and some UNIX versions)
-E	Treats pattern as an egrep regular expression (Linux and Solaris-xpg4)
-F	Matches pattern in fgrep-style (Linux and Solaris-xpg4)
-n	Displays line and n lines above and below (Linux only)
-A n	Displays line and n lines after matching lines (Linux only)
-B n	Displays line and n lines before matching lines (Linux only)
-f file	Take patterns from file, one per line (Linux only)

```
-v: deleting lines
```

```
$ grep -v 'director' emp.lst > otherlist
$ wc -l otherlist
11 otherlist
```

 -I: displaying filenames: to locate files where a variable or system call has been used:

```
$ grep -l fork *.c
fork.c: printf("before fork\n");
orphan.c: if ((pid = fork()) > 0)
```

-e: matching multiple patterns:

```
$ grep -e woodhouse -e wood -e woodcock emp.lst
```

• -e: for patterns beginning with a -:

```
$ grep -e "-mtime" /var/spool/cron/crontabs/*
```

Locates all C programs in \$HOME that contain the line "#include <fcntl.h>":

```
$ find $HOME -name "*.c" -exec grep -l "#include <fcntl.h>" {} \; > foo
$ find $HOME -name "*.c" -exec grep -l "#include <fcntl.h>" {} /dev/null \;
```

• -n: displays a certain number of lines above and below it.

```
$ grep -1 "foreach" count.pl
```

Basic Regular Expressions (BRE)

- POSIX identifies regular expressions as two categories: basic and extended.
- grep supports BRE by default, and ERE with the -E option.
- sed supports only the BRE.

BRE Character Set used by grep, sed, and awk

Pattern	Matches
*	Zero or more occurrences of previous character
g*	Nothing or g, gg, ggg, etc.
gg*	g, gg, ggg, etc.
	A single character
.*	Nothing or any number of characters
[pqr]	A single character p, q or r
[abc]	a, b or c
[c1-c2]	A single character within the ASCII range represented by c and c2
[1-3]	A digit between 1 and 3
[^pqr]	A single character which is not a p, q or r
[^a-zA-Z]	A nonalphabetic character
^pat	Pattern pat at beginning of line
pat\$	Pattern pat at end of line

```
g* Nothing or g, gg, ggg, etc
gg* g, gg, ggg, etc
.* Nothing or any number of chars
[1-3] A digit between 1 and 3
[^a-zA-Z] A nonalphabetic char
bash$ bast at end of line
^base$ bash as the only word in line
^$ Lines containing nothing
```

Note: the pattern [a-zA-Z0-9] matches a single alphanumeric character.

[^] 插入符 is for negating a class.

The *: immediately preceding character

- It indicates that the previous character can occur many times, or not at all.
- ee* matches a string beginning with e, not e*
- To match trueman and Truman:

```
$ grep "true*man" emp.lst
```

To match wilcocks and wilcox:

```
$ grep "wilco[cx]k*s*" emp.lst
```

 * has significance in a regular expression only if it is preceded by a character.

The Dot

- A . matches a single character.
- The .* signifies any number of characters, or none.

```
$ grep "p.*woodhouse" emp.lst (if you want to look for p. woodhouse but not sure whether it actually exists as p.j. woodhouse)
```

- If look for the name p.j. woodhouse, then the expression should be p\.j\., the dots need to be excaped here.
- To look for a pattern g*, use grep "g*", to look for a [, use \[, to look for a pattern .* use \.*

Specifying Pattern Locations (^ and \$)

- \$ grep "^2" emp.lst
 - locate lines where the emp-id begins with 2.
- To select lines where the salary lies between 70,000 and 89,999:
 - \$ grep "[78]....\$" emp.lst
- To select only those lines where the emp-ids don't begin with a 2:
 - \$ grep "^[^2]" emp.lst (first ^ anchors the pattern, last ^ negates a class)
- To list only directories:
 - \$ Is -I | grep "^d"
- To identify files with specific permissions (write for the group):
 - \$ ls -l | grep '^.....w'

Extended Regular Expressions (ERE)

- + matches one or more occurrences of the previous character
- ? matches zero or one occurrence of the previous character
- Need to use option -E: \$ grep -E "true?man" emp.lst
- | is the delimiter of multiple patterns:
 - \$ grep -E 'woodhouse | woodcock' emp.lst
 - \$ grep -E 'wood(house | cock)' emp.lst
 - \$ grep -E 'wilco[cx]k*s*|wood(house|cock)' emp.lst

ERE Set used by grep, sed, and awk

Expression	Matches
ch+	One or more occurrences of character ch
g+	At least one g
ch?	Zero or one occurrence of character ch
g?	Nothing or one g
exp1 exp2	Expression exp1 or exp2
GIF JPEG	GIF or JPEG
(x1 x2) x3	Expression x1x3 or x2x3
(lock ver)wood	lockwood or verwood

sed: The Stream Editor

- Performs non-interactive operations on a data stream.
- Instruction format: sed options 'address action' file(s)
- Addressing is done in two ways:
 - By one or two line numbers (like 3,7)
 - By specifying a /-enclosed pattern which occurs in a line (like /From:/)

Command	Significance
i, a, c	Inserts, appends and changes text
d	Deletes line(s)
1,4d	Deletes lines 1 to 4
r foo	Places contents of file foo after line
w bar	Writes addressed lines to file bar
P	Prints line(s) on standard output
3,\$p	Prints lines 3 to end (-n option required)
\$!p	Prints all lines except last line (-n option required)
/begin/,/end/p	Prints lines enclosed between begin and end (-n option required)
q	Quits after reading up to addressed line
10q	Quits after reading the first 10 lines
	Prints line number addressed
s/s1/s2/	Replaces first occurrence of string or regular expression s1 in all lines with string s2
10,20s/-/:/	Replaces first occurrence of - in lines 10 to 20 with a :
s/s1/s2/g	Replaces all occurrences of string or regular expression s1 in all lines with string s2
s/-/:/g	Replaces all occurrences of - in all lines with a :

Internal Commands Used by sed

Line Addressing

- \$ sed -n '1,2p' emp.lst (use -n to suppress selected lines appear twice behavior of the p command)
- To select lines 9 through 11: \$ sed -n '9,11p' emp.lst
- To select multiple groups of lines:

```
$ sed -n '1,2p
7,9p
$p' emp.lst
```

• Same as above:

```
$ sed -n '1,2p;7,9p;$p' emp.lst
```

• Negating the action (!):

```
$ sed -n '3,$!p' emp.lst (Don't print line 3 to the end)
```

sed Options

- Multiple Instructions in the Command Line (-e):
 - \$ sed -n -e '1,2p' -e '7,9p' -e '\$p' emp.lst
- Takes instructions from file filename (-f):

```
• $ cat instr.fil
1,2p
7,9p
$p
```

- \$ sed -n -f instr.fil emp.lst
- \$ sed -n -f instr.fil -f instr.fil2 emp.lst
- \$ sed -n -e '/wilcox/p' -f instr.fil -f instr.fil2 emp?.lst

Others

- Context Addressing: the pattern has a / on either side:
 - \$ sed -n '/From: /p' \$HOME/mbox
- Writing selected lines to a file (w):
 - \$ sed '/<Form>/,/<\/FORM> /w forms.html' pricelist.html
- You can search for three sets of patterns and store in three files:
 - \$ sed -e '/<Form>/,/<\/FORM> /w forms.html /<FRAME>/,/<\/FRAME> /w frames.html /<TABLE>/,/<\/TABLE> /w tables.html' pricelist.html

The class is done!

Back to <u>slide 14</u> to play some games!