

Lecture 11:

More RegExp, SED, AWK, GREP

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RegExp in tools

Tools (sed, awk), process inputs *line by line*.

A line is matched if there is *at least one* match in the line.

Some example input file

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ cat richardonlines.txt  
asdf827199richard83290102  
1985 richard what is blah  
this line does not contain it!  
richard veale hello  
hello richard  
hello richard!  
  
There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)  
sans vin!  
richardrichardrichard  
rihcard  
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ █
```

Two examples of grepping...

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Prints every line that contains at least one match.

→ Highlights **every match** (depends on grep version...it's just for convenience)

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What will this do? (what will be matched in red?)

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```

This is just GREP (printing lines)

We want to use this “match” to change and extract parts of text

```
[triveale@rvrbs19 regex examples]$ sed s/richard/bob/q richardonlines.txt
```

What will this do?

This is just GREP (printing lines)

We want to use this “match” to change and extract parts of text

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed s/richard/bob/g richardonlines.txt
asdf827199bob83290102
1985 bob what is blah
this line does not contain it!
bob veale hello
hello bob
hello bob!
```

There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)

```
sans vin!
bobbobbbob
rihcard
```

Replaced every instance of “richard” with “bob”

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex examples]$ sed s/.*richard/bob/a richardonlines.txt
```

How about this?

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed s/.*richard/bob/g richardonlines.txt  
bob83290102  
bob what is blah  
this line does not contain it!  
bob veale hello  
bob  
bob!
```

```
There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)  
sans vin!  
bob  
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```

default sed interprets . (dot) and * (star/asterisk) as their regular expression meaning:
→ wildcard and Kleene star (0 or more repetition)

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bob veale hello  
bob  
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```

It replaced the red parts (the matched/"captured" parts) with bob

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hello richard  
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Original file

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hello richard  
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Greedy! (first 2 richard are matched by `*`, then final by richard)

Original file → replaced

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bob  
bob!  
  
There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)  
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```

Anti-match (lines not containing?)

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ awk '!/richard/' richardonlines.txt  
this line does not contain it!
```

```
There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)  
sans vin!  
rihcard
```

! (exclamation mark) → as in many programming languages it means “NOT”

Lines containing neither “richard” NOR “veale”

Note this uses OR (||).

It means, match lines that do NOT contain richard or do not contain veale.

This will be true only when it contains NEITHER.

(i.e. identical to !(richard && veale) → by *De Morgan’s law*)

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ awk '!/richard/ || !/veale/' richardonlines.txt
asdf827199richard83290102
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this line does not contain it!
hello richard
hello richard!

There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)
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```

SED character classes

(remember the first character after mode character s is the separator...)

What will this do?

```
[triveale@rvrbs19 regex examples]$ sed s:[0-9]:#:q richardonlines.txt
```

SED character classes

(remember the first character after s is the separator...)

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed s:[0-9]:#:g richardonlines.txt  
asdf#####richard#####  
#### richard what is blah  
this line does not contain it!  
richard veale hello  
hello richard  
hello richard!
```

```
There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)  
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```

- Replace any digit (0-9) with the symbol #
- g (global) at the end made it match all matches in each line

What will this do?

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[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed s:[0-9]::g richardonlines.txt
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richard what is blah  
this line does not contain it!  
richard veale hello  
hello richard  
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There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)  
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Delete all digits (0-9)

→ replace digits with “” (i.e. empty string)

SED: Getting match (&)

& means “each match”

→ But, needs to be escaped in normal sed... (so \&)



```
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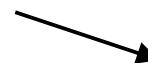
SED: Getting match (&)

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Or we can use extended regexp

sed -E

→ so we don't need to escape &, (,), etc.



```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed -E "s:[0-9]:&:g" richardonlines.txt  
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Good SED introduction...

<https://www.grymoire.com/Unix/Sed.html>

SED y/ → symbol replace



```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed "y:01234:abcde:" richardonlines.txt  
asdf8c7b99richard8dc9abac  
b985 richard what is blah  
this line does not contain it!  
richard veale hello  
hello richard  
hello richard!
```

There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)

```
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rihcard
```

Replace

0 → a

1 → b

2 → c

Etc...

SED – no mode → just matches regex

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed "/[0-9]/ p" richardonlines.txt  
asdf827199richard83290102  
asdf827199richard83290102  
1985 richard what is blah  
1985 richard what is blah  
this line does not contain it!  
richard veale hello  
hello richard  
hello richard!
```

There was an empty line before this (and this line does not contain!)

```
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richardrichardrichard  
rihcard
```

```
[riveale@rvrbs19 regex_examples]$ sed -n "/[0-9]/ p" richardonlines.txt  
asdf827199richard83290102  
1985 richard what is blah
```

With no print -n

It only prints matches (=grep)

PERL...

PERL

Variables (scalars):

```
my $var = value;
```

```
print $var;
```

\$_ ← default variable

Arrays:

```
my @var = (value1, value2, value3, ...);
```

```
print $var[1];
```

PERL

Hashes (dictionaries):

```
my %var = (key1, value1, key2, value2, ...)
```

```
My %var = ( key1=>value1, key2=>value2, ...)
```

```
print $var{"key1"};
```

PERL (linebreaks)

Weird, but in perl, inside quotes is literal...

```
print "hello  
world";
```

Would print a line break...

PERL (loops)

<https://perldoc.perl.org/perlintro#What-is-Perl>

while (condition) { }

if (condition) { }

elsif (condition) { }

else { }

for (\$i=0; \$i<\$max; \$i++) { }

foreach (@array)

PERL scope

My makes local scope.

#local var

my \$var = 2

#global var

\$var = 2

PERL – inline regexp

```
if (/foo/) { }
```

Will execute if \$_ contains “foo” (i.e. any match)

```
if( $var =~ /foo/) {}
```

Will execute if \$var contains foo... (any match)

Functions (subroutines)

```
sub func {  
    #do stuff, access input variables @_[], @_[], etc.  
    # or via shift function (which takes @_ automatically and pops  
    # next from front)  
    # or via my ($var1, $var2, $var3) = @_;  
    return $result;  
}  
  
$var = func(arg1, arg2);
```