

LINUX TUTORIAL



AWK SCRIPTING

Syntax

awk options 'pattern {action}' file_name

echo "Hello" | awk options 'pattern {action}'

options:

- -F field separator
- -v var=value
- -f file

How AWK works?

test.txt

This is line one This is line two

Row 1 This is line one Row 2 This is line two

Fields

F1 F2 F3 F4

Row 1 This is line one

Row 2 This is line two

Terms used in AWK

- NR No. of record/row
- NF No. of fields
- **\$0** Print everything
- **\$1, \$2 Field no.**

Examples

- Print only a given column
- Print last column
- Search a word
- Print only a given line no. (let's say line 5)
- Print row or line no. at start of each line

- Print range of lines (line3 to 6)
- Get line no. of empty lines
- Search multiple words
- Ignore case while searching
- How to check if a given char is present in column

Working with CSV or different delimeter

- How to work with CSV file
- Print data of employees whose salary>50k
- What if a file is having multiple delimeter

Use Cases Where AWK can be useful

- How to only get Status of service
- How to get list of files
- How to read logs in range of time
- Get files modified in Oct

Useful Functions

- How to replace a word?
- Length of line/field
- Index/position of a word in a given line
- Print values in upper or lower letter

AWK Scripting Concepts

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awk

'BEGIN{start_action}

pattern/condition {action}

END{stop_action}'

file_name
```

Other Programming Concepts we can use

- Variables
- If-Else
- Array
- For Loop
- While loop
- Functions

- How to find total/sum of salary
- How to find average salary
- How to print no. of lines
- How to ignore headers/first row to count no. of users

Using Condtions

- How to get length of longest line?
- Print High for salary >50k else LOW
- Print Total salary paid in Loan department

Using AWK condition/pattern in a file

 Add your conditions and pattern in a file let's say file.awk

awk -f file.awk <file.txt>

Using AWK as a script

#!/bin/awk-f

```
BEGIN{start_action}

pattern/condition {action}

END{stop_action}
```

- Print only given feild/column
 - awk '{print \$2}' file

- Print last row or last column
 - awk '{print \$NR}' file
 - awk '{print \$NF}' file

- Search for a word in file
 - awk '/word/ {print \$2}' file

- Print only given line no.
 - awk 'NR==5 {print \$0}' file

- Print line with each row
 - awk '{NR print \$0}' file

- Search for multiple words in file
 - awk '/word1|word2/ {print \$2}' file

Read from CSV file and print a given column
 awk -F, '{print \$1}' file

- Print range of lines from a file
 - awk '{NR==3, NR==6 print \$0}' file

- Get the empty lines
 - awk 'NF==0 {print NR}' file

Print data of employees, salary > 50000
 awk -F, '\$NF>50000' file

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Functions

- Replacing a word in a file
 - awk -F, '{gsub("from", "to") print \$0} file'

- Print index/position of a given word
 - echo "Hi Paul" | awk '{print index(\$0, "Paul")}'

- Get length of a word/row
 - echo "Hi Paul" | awk '{print length(\$2)}'

- Split the words in a row in an array
 - awk -F, '{split(\$0, arr, ","); print arr[1]} file'

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AWK as Script

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awk '
    BEGIN{start_action}
    pattern/condition {action}
    END{end_action}
'
file_name
```

awk -f script.awk file_name

- Find sum/total salary
 - awk -F, '{sum+=\$NF} END{print sum}' file

- Find average salary
 - awk -F, '{sum+=\$NF} END{print sum/NR}' file