

grep

grep lets you search files for text

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$ grep bananas foo.txt
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Here are some of my favourite grep command line arguments !

-i case insensitive

-A Show context for your search.

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$ grep -A 3 foo
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-B will show 3 lines of context after a match



use if you want regexps like ".+" to work. otherwise you need to use ".\+"



invert match: find all lines that don't match



only show the filenames of the files that matched



don't treat the match string as a regex
eg \$ grep -F ...



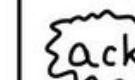
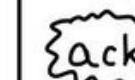
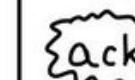
recursive! Search all the files in a directory.



only print the matching part of the line (not the whole line)



search binaries: treat binary data like it's text instead of ignoring it!



grep alternatives

(better for searching code!)