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Problem Statement :

A company frequently updates its database host, username, and password stored in configuration files. Manual updates are error-prone, inconsistent, and may lead to downtime.

To solve this, automation through shell scripting is proposed. Using the Linux `sed` command, the script will:

- Replace credentials,
- Insert backup information,
- Append connection status,
- Delete outdated entries, and
- Preview changes before applying.

This approach ensures updates are consistent, error-free, and efficient.

Objectives :

The objectives of this case study are to design and implement a shell script that automates database configuration updates. The specific goals are:

1. Replace existing database credentials
 - Update database host, username, and password automatically using the `s` (substitute) operation.
2. Insert backup information
 - Ensure reliability by adding backup details into the configuration file using the `i` (insert) operation.
3. Append connection status
 - Record connection details (e.g., `CONNECTION=active`) at the end of the file using the `a` (append) operation.
4. Delete outdated database entries
 - Remove unnecessary or old entries (such as obsolete database names) using the `d` (delete) operation.
5. Preview updated configuration
 - Display modified lines before deployment using the `p` (print) operation to verify correctness.

Methodology / Workflow :

To automate updates of database configuration files, a shell script was implemented using `sed`. The workflow reduces manual errors and ensures consistency.

Step	Description
Setup	Created project folder <code>db_case_study</code> and sample config file <code>config.txt</code> .
Script Development	Wrote <code>db_config_update.sh</code> with user input, backup creation, error checking, and logging.
Operations	<code>s</code> : substitute credentials <code>i</code> : insert backup info <code>a</code> : append connection status <code>d</code> : delete outdated entries <code>p</code> : preview changes
Execution	Run script → enter new values → backup created → config updated → preview displayed.
Verification	Checked updated file with <code>cat</code> and reviewed backup + log.

Config File (Before Update)

```
/Users/zoro/OS/db_case_study
zoro~$nano config.txt
zoro~$cat config.txt
DB_HOST=localhost
DB_USER=admin
DB_PASS=1234
DB_NAME=testdb
```

```
UW PICO 5.09 File: db_config_update.sh
# Case Study: Database Configuration Updater
#
CONFIG_FILE="config.txt"
BACKUP_FILE="config_backup_$(date +%Y%m%d%H%M%S).txt"
LOG_FILE="update_log.txt"

# Check if config file exists
if [ ! -f "$CONFIG_FILE" ]; then
    echo "Error: $CONFIG_FILE not found!"
    exit 1
fi

# Create backup before making changes
cp "$CONFIG_FILE" "$BACKUP_FILE"
echo "[INFO] Backup created: $BACKUP_FILE" | tee -a $LOG_FILE

# Take new credentials from user
```

Results :

The script `db_config_update.sh` was executed successfully. The following outputs were observed:

(a) Config File (After Update)

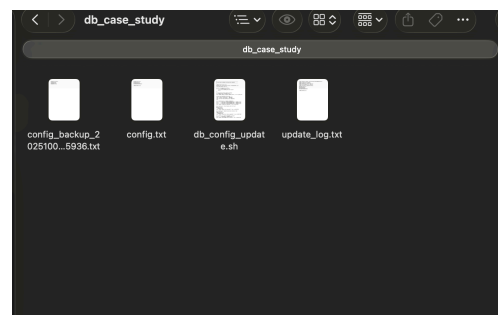
```
zoro~$cat config.txt
DB_HOST=127.0.0.1
BACKUP=enabled
DB_USER=Sasanka
DB_PASS=Panda1234567
```

(b) Execution Log (update_log.txt)

```
zoro~$./db_config_update.sh
[INFO] Backup created: config_backup_20251008015936.txt
Enter new DB Host: 127.0.0.1
Enter new DB User: Sasanka
Enter new DB Password:
[INFO] Credentials updated
[INFO] Backup info inserted
[INFO] Connection status appended
[INFO] Old DB_NAME entry deleted
[INFO] Preview of updated config:
```

Verification :

- Updated config file reflected all changes correctly.
- Backup file was generated (**config_backup_...**).
- Log file confirmed step-by-step execution.



Conclusion :

This case study showed how Linux **sed** commands can automate database configuration updates. The script replaced credentials, added backup info, appended connection status, deleted outdated entries, and provided a preview. Automation reduces errors, ensures consistency, and improves reliability.

References :

[Linux sed Manual](#)

[Mastering sed Command in Linux: A Comprehensive Guide](#)

Notebook

[Github](#)

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