

Insertion and Deletion of lines With sed Command

- We can insert/delete a line based on line number or search string
- Inserting New Line:
- Syntax:
 - sed [options] 'commands' fileName
 - sed '1i NewLineInfo' fileName → Defaults to stdout : Inserts new data before first line
 - sed -i '1i NewLineInfo' fileName → Insert a New Line in file
 - sed -i.bak 1i NewLineInfo' fileName → Take backup and edit
 - sed -i '1a NewLineInfo' fileName → Inserts data after first line
 - sed -i '\$a NewLineInfo' fileName → Inserts data after last line
 - sed -i '/SearchString/i NewLineInfo' fileName
 - sed -i '/SearchString/a NewLineInfo' fileName

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➤ Deleting Lines:

➤ Syntax:

➤ `sed [options] 'commands' fileName`

➤ `sed '1d' fileName` → Defaults to stdout : Deletes the first line

➤ `sed -i '1d' fileName` → Deletes the line from a file

➤ `sed -i.bak '1d' fileName` → Take backup and delete

➤ `sed -i '5,7d' fileName` → deletes the lines from 5th to 7th

➤ `sed -i '4,$d' fileName` → deletes the lines from 4th to last line

➤ `sed -i '$d' fileName` → delete the last line

➤ `sed -i '$!d' filename` → delete all lines except last line

➤ `sed -i '1,+3d' fileName` → delete 1st and 3 lines after that

➤ `sed -i '1~3d' fileName` → delete 1st and every 3rd line after that

➤ `sed -i '/SearchString/d' fileName` → Delete the lines which are having root string

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