

Week Report 6

Summary on Wildcards

A. Summary of the Presentation.

- Wildcards:
 - Definition: Wildcards represent letter and characters use to specify a file name for searches.
 - Wildcards are officially called metacharacter wildcards.
 - Wildcard is a star (*) character.
 - Example: `ls *.txt`
 - This will match all files edn in .txt
 - when to use Whilecard:
 - when you want to list all files with a particular file extension
 - when you remember a portion of the name
 - when you want to copy, move or move all files that match a particular naming convention
 - Example:

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[16:27:55](adrian@G752VL2 dir)
>ls *.txt 1
1233_file.txt 'another file.txt' _file.txt
[16:28:01](adrian@G752VL2 dir)
>ls *.txt *.pdf 2
1233_file.txt 'another file.txt' f2.pdf f3.pdf _file.txt
[16:28:12](adrian@G752VL2 dir)
>ls file.* 3
ls: cannot access 'file.*': No such file or directory
[16:28:23](adrian@G752VL2 dir)
>ls *file.* 4
1233_file.txt 'another file.txt' _file.txt
[16:28:34](adrian@G752VL2 dir)
>

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 - List files inside a single column.
 - First: `ls -X1`
 - Second: `ls -X1 *.css`
- The Wildcard (*) replaces the name of the files because we do not care about the file name in this instances.
- The Wildcard:
 - The brackets wildcard match a single character in a range.

- The brackets wildcard use the exclamation mark to reverse the match.
 - Example: match everything except vowels `[!aeiou]`
 - Example: any character except numbers `[!0-9]`
 - Examples:
 1. To match all files that you have a vowel after letter f:
 - Example: `ls f[aeiou]*`
 2. To match all files that do not have a vowel after letter f:
 - Example: `ls f![aeiou]*`
 3. To match all the files whose name does not have a number in their file name:
 - Example: `ls [!0-9]*`
 4. to match all files whose name begins with a letter from a-p or start with letter s or c:
 - `ls[a-psc]*`
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- Whilecard Rule:
- `!Pic4](pic4.png)!`