

Text Processing in Linux - The Cut Command - #4

Problem Statement

Task

Display the first four characters from each line of text.

Input Format

A text file with lines of ASCII text only.

Input Constraints

$1 \leq N \leq 100$ (N is the number of lines of text in the input file)

Output Format

The output should contain **N** lines. Each line should contain just the first four characters of the corresponding input line.

Sample Input

```
Hello
World
how are you
```

Sample Output

```
Hell
Worl
how
```

Recommended References

[This](#) is a very well written tutorial demonstrating different ways in which 'cut' may be used to either print characters at a particular position, or to print columns of a text file, based on delimiters. The latter is particularly useful while dealing with tabulated data in *.tsv or *.csv format.