Introduction to sed & awk

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Regular Expressions

RegEx

- Any single Character eg: hel. (help, hell, helo .. etc)
- * Preceding Character must match 0 or more times eg: he*1o (hlo, helo, heeeelo, heelo .. etc)
- ? Preceding Character must match 1 or 0 times eg: he?10 (helo, hlo)
- ^ Start of the line marker eg: ^Hello (Line starting with Hello)
- \$ End of the line marker eg: hello\$ (Line ending with hello)
- [] Any of the characters enclosed in [] eg: He1[lop] (Hell, Helo, Help)
- [-] Any of the characters within the range eg: file[1-3] (file1, file2, file3)

- [^] Any of the characters except the ones enclosed in [] eg: file[^13] (file0, file2, file4 ...etc)
- + Preceding item must match 1 or more times eg: file+ (file, files, file1, filex ... etc)
- {n} Preceding item must match n times eg: [0-9]{3} (Any 3 digit no .. 111, 134, 098, 678 .. etc)
- {n, } Preceding item must match at least n times eg: [0-9]{3,} (Any 3 or more digit no .. 111, 134, 0981, 67887, 71236 .. etc)
- {n,m} Minimum and maximum nos of times the preceding item must match. eg: [0-9]{2,3} (Any 2 or 3 digit no .. 111, 134, 98, 78 .. etc)
- \ Escape Character eg: he*ro (he*ro)

Reg Ex Character classes:

- [:upper:] Uppercase character
- [:lower:] Lowercase character
- [:alpha:] Alphabetic character
- [:digit:] Number character
- [:alnum:] Alphanumeric character
- [:space:] Whitespace character (space, tab, newline)

Reg Ex Meta-character classes:

- \s Match a whitespace
- \s Match a non-whitespace
- \w Match a "word" character
- \w Match a non-word character
- \b Match a word boundary
- \d Match a digit character
- \Q quote
- \E end
- \L or \1 Lowercase
- \U or \u Uppercase

Ref: https://www.grymoire.com/Unix/Regular.html

Case 1:

List all Unique IP Addresses from a document and ping to see if they are alive.

Case 2:

Enlist all Unique CCs from a document.

Solution - Case 1:

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cat sample.txt | grep -o --color -E '\b((25[0-5]|2[0-4][0-9]|1[0-9][0-9]|[1-9]?[0-9])\.){3}(25[0-5]|2[0-4][0-9]|1[0-9][0-9]|[1-9]?[0-9])\b'
```

Reg Ex:

```
\b
25[0-5]|2[0-4][0-9]
| 1[0-9][0-9]
| [1-9]?[0-9]) \. ){3}
(25[0-5]|2[0-4][0-9]|1[0-9][0-9]|[1-9]
?[0-9])
\b
```

ed

ed

Sed & awk are considered power-tools, anything that can be achieved on a text editor can be done using these two tools alone in an automated fashion.

They both originated from line editor ed.

Written by Ken Thompson from AT&T Bell Laboratories in 1973.

ed is an interactive tool. It's not stream oriented, and the changes are made to the actual file.

Syntax:

[address]s /pattern/replacement/flag

ed flags

- p to print the line
- a to append
- d delete
 - o eg: 1d would delete the first line
- /pattern/d delete the line if patten found
- g/pattern/d Delete all the lines globally for all pattern matches.
- s/pattern/replacement/ No address is specified so only the first occurence is replaced.
- s/pattern/replacement/g Will replace all occurences of pattern.

- /pattern/s/pattern/replace/g Will replace all patterns in the first line. As first pattern is the address.
- g/pattern/s/pattern/replace/g For all lines as g/pattern is the address. pattern need not be same ... eg: g/some-random-pattern/s/pattern/replace/g
- If the address and pattern are the same you could tell 'ed' by specifying '//' eg: g/pattern/s//replace/g
- f add new lines to the file.
- w to write the data to the file and check the nos of bytes written.
- q to quit

Grep

grep: g/re/p - the ed command for global , reg-ex print.

Its a line editing command that has been extracted from *ed* and made available as an external program.

grep prints all the matching lines.

sed

sed

sed is a stream editor, hence the name s-ed

- sed OPTIONS ... [SCRIPT] [INPUTFILE....]
- cat [INPUTFILE] | sed OPTIONS ... [SCRIPT]

SCRIPT:

- [addr]X[options]
- [addr] can be a single line, number, a regular expression, or range of lines. If [addr] is specified, the command X will be executed only on the matched lines.
 - o x single-letter sed command.
 - Additional [options] for sed command.
- Eg: sed '30,35d' infile.txt > outfile.txt (Delete range of lines Line 30 line 35 from infile and save output to outfile.txt)

Sed Commands:

- a Append text after a line.
- i 'text' insert text before a line
- d delete the pattern
- p print the pattern.
- c Change command used to change lines.
- q[exit-code] exit sed without processing any more commands or input.
- s/regexp/replacement/[flags] (substitute) Match the regex against the content of the pattern space. If found replace matched string with 'replacement'. Use g to substitute globally.

Command-Line-Options:

- -n disable automatic printing; sed produced output when explicitly told via the p command.
- -e script add script
- -r use extended regular expressions rather than basic regular expressions.
- -i Use this flag to modify the input file.
- e To run scripts. This is different than -e

awk

awk

Searches files for patterns and performs actions specified in the AWK body. It's named after its creators Aho, Weinberger and Kernighan.

Structure:

- awk'program_to_perform_action' file1 file2 ...
- Divided into 3 sections BEGIN, Main & END
 - BEGIN Code is executed before executing the operations on the file.
 - Main Executed for each line of the file.
 - END After awk process of all lines.

```
awk 'BEGIN{code_in_BEGIN_section}
{Code_in_Main_Body}
END{code_END_Section }' file1 file2 ...
```

Fields:

- Fields are by default seperated by space.
- \$0 prints entire line
- \$1 prints the first field and so on ..
- Examples:

```
echo "1 2 3 4 5" | awk '{print $0}' will output 1 2 3 4 5
echo "1 2 3 4 5" | awk '{print $1}' will output 1
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echo "1 2 3 4 5" | awk '{print \$3}' will output 3

NF - Number of Fields:

- echo "1 two 3 four" | awk '{print NF}' Output: 4
- echo "1 two 3 four" | awk '{print \$(NF-2)}' Output: two.
- \$NF = 4 and using this we could do mathemetical operations. Eg. To print the second last field we could '{print \$(NF-1)}'

NR - Number of Records:

- Records in Awk are by default seperated by a newline.
 - Eg 1: echo "1 two 3 four" | awk '{print \$(NR)}' . Output: 1
- As awk processess line by line, for each line it prints the nos. of records found.
- To print exact records from a file we could use END.
 - Eg: awk 'END{print NR}' emp.txt . Output: 6

FS - Field Seperator :

Default is space. We can define custom values for the field seperator.

• Eg: echo "102 202 303" | awk 'BEGIN{FS="0"} {print \$1"-"\$2"-"\$3"-"\$4}' .

Output of the above command: 1-2 2-2 3-3 . We used 0 as FS.

RS - Record Seperator:

By default seperated by newline. Can devine custom values for RS (record seperator).

- Eg: echo "102 202 303" | awk 'BEGIN{RS="0"} END{print NR}' . Output is 4 .
- Now the default RS would return 1. as there is only one line. Eg. echo "102 202 303" | awk 'END{print NR}' Output: 1

AWK Variables:

- Assignment :
 - a=1
 - RS="\t"
 - FS=":"
- Increment/ Decrement:
 - o a++ / a--
 - o a=a+1 / a=a-1

• Math Operations :

- a=b+c add
- a=b*c multiply
- o a=b/c divide
- a=b-c subtract
- o a=b%c Modulus
- o a=b^c Raise var to the power
- a=b**c Raise var to the power

AWK - if Statement

```
if(condition){
        command(s)
}
else{
        command(s)
}
```

• Comparisons:

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○ == , < , <= , > , >= , !=
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- o eg: awk '{if (\$1 == "Red"){print \$1, \$2, \$3}}' emp.txt . Output would be:
 Red 34 CEO.
- OR if we want to print all fields we could also use \$0 instead. Eg: awk '{if (\$1
 == "Red"){print \$0}}' emp.txt Output: Red 34 CEO.

AWK For loops

Structure:

```
for (initialization; condition; increment){
    command(s)
}
```

• Eg: awk 'BEGIN{for(i=1; i<=3; i++){print "test -", i}}'
Output:</pre>

```
test - 1
test - 2
test - 3
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Example 1:

Get the gcloud iam service account lds into a file.

(Select the 2nd column of the output to file, and omit the first line (column header) and send output to file sa1.List .)

```
gcloud iam service-accounts list | awk -F '[[:space:]][[:space:]]+' '{print
$2}' | tail -n+2 > sa1.list
```

Example 2:

Get metadata for each VM instance (Std output redirected to instances_metadata01.out):

gcloud compute instances list | awk -F '[[:space:]]+' '{print \$1, \$2}' | tail
 -n+2 | while read INSTANCE ZONE; do gcloud compute instances describe
 \$INSTANCE --zone=\$ZONE 1>> instances_metadata01.out; done

Q & A

Thank You