






# Log File Inspection

Description	Keystroke	Function	Note
<div> <div>Inspecting Log Files</div> <div> <div>  This page is a placeholder, showing which modes can be activated with PEL. Use <b>C-h m</b> in those modes to see the bindings.                 </div> <div> <div>Last updated on:</div> <div>2025-10-09</div> </div> </div> </div>	<div> <div>                     Emacs does not have explicit support for inspecting the content of system log files.                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>However, the following external packages can be used to inspect the content of some system log facilities.</li> </ul> </div> <div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <div> <span>•</span> <span>strace</span> </div> <div>  <span>strace-mode</span> </div> <div>  <span>p pel-use-strace-mode</span> set to <span>t</span> activates it.                             </div> </li> </ul> </div> </div>		
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<div> <div>Colorize strace log output</div> </div>	<div> <div>  <span>p pel-use-strace-mode</span> : activates                             <div>  <span>strace-mode</span> </div>                             external package used to display Linux <span>strace</span> output, required for this.                         </div> <div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Type <span>&lt;f1&gt;</span> <span>o</span> <span>p pel-use-strace-mode</span> to open the customization buffer where you can activate it permanently.</li> </ul> </div> </div>		
Turn on strace-mode	<span>&lt;f11&gt;</span> <span>b M-t</span>	<span>(strace-mode)</span>	Activate the strace-mode to colonize strace log output.