CS35L – Software Construction Lab

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CS35L – Course info

- Syllabus & detailed course information
 - Website (http://www.cs.ucla.edu/classes/spring16/cs35L/)
- Announcements 'News' section of the website
- Piazza (piazza.com/ucla/spring2016/cs35l) for class discussions
 - No sharing code or answers.
- Prerequisites CS 31
- Operating system/Shell options
 - Install a GNU/Linux distribution on laptop on a separate partition (Take a backup!)
 - You can use any other flavor of linux (Ubuntu, RedHat, etc)
 - Virtual machine VirtualBox, etc
 - Windows users
 - Cygwin (ssh, gcc, gdb, emacs, coreutils, etc)
 - Putty (Just a lightweight 'ssh' client that lets you logon to SEASnet)
 - Mac users
 - Use Macports or homebrew to install required command line tools
 - Or, you can just use ssh on the mac terminal to logon to seasnet servers
- Get a SEASnet account asap
 - Add /usr/local/cs/bin to \$PATH

CS35L – Course Info

- Assignments (10)
 - Lab exercises Expected to be done in the lab
 - Homework
- All assignments to be done individually
- Submitted on CCLE
- Grading
 - Assignments 50% (equally weighted)
 - Final exam 50%
- Lateness penalty
 - 2^N % of the assignment's value for being 'N' days late
 - No assignments accepted after Friday of last week of instruction
- Assignment 1 and 10 are available
 - Assignment 1 Due Friday (1st Mar)
 - Assignment 10 Research and Development
 - Report and Class presentation
 - Resources at http://cs.ucla.edu/classes/spring16/cs35L/comm.html

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Introduction to Unix Shell

Operating Systems & Shells

- An OS is a system software that manages hardware/software resources.
- OS is responsible for managing:
 - Processes
 - Memory
 - I/O
 - Security
 - File system
 - ...
- An OS shell is a user-interface to access the operating system's services
 - Navigating the file system
 - Process monitoring
 - Remote login
 - Access to any installed app (editors, browsers, compilers, debuggers, etc)

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    zero — ssh sharath@Inxsrv07.seas.ucla.edu — 95×36

[sharath@lnxsrv07 A1]$ ls -l
total 20
----rwxr-- 1 sharath csgrad
                            6 Jan 4 11:29 cha
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad
                             8 Jan 5
                                      2015 cha1
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad
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                                      2015 charenamed
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad
                            9 Apr 2
                                      2013 chaz
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 11 Mar 30 2015 clap
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 38 Apr 1 2015 duphellofile.png
-rw-r--r- 1 sharath csgrad 602 Jan 4 11:49 emacsCommands.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 27 Oct 8 2014 foo001.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 15 Oct 8 2014 foo01.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 6 Jan 8 2013 foo02.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 12 Apr 1
                                      2013 foo03.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 37 Apr 1 2015 hellofile.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 43 Sep 28 13:17 key1.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 60 Jan 6 12:05 myfile2.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 26 Jan 7 2015 myfilereverse
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 72 Jan 4 13:22 myfile.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 33 Sep 28 12:56 myfirstfile.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 sharath csgrad 4096 Jan 6 12:49 prog
drwxr-xr-x 2 sharath csgrad 4096 Apr 1 2015 temp
-rw-r--r-- 1 sharath csgrad 1735 Jan 6 12:18 temp.txt
[sharath@lnxsrv07 A1]$ whoami
[sharath@lnxsrv07 A1]$
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Why Ubuntu?

- Multics (1964) → Unix (1970) → Minix (1987) → GNU/Linux (1991)
 → Ubuntu (2004)
- Debian based Linux
- Free software package via GNU
- Linux kernel (Unix-like OS)
- LiveCD Linux distribution
- Allows us to understand the workings of Unix
- Practice software construction via command line interface (CLI)

CLI vs. GUI

CLI

- Steep learning curve
- Pure control (e.g., scripting)
- Cumbersome multitasking
- Speed: Hack away at keys
- Convenient remote access

GUI

- Intuitive
- Limited Control
- Easy multitasking
- Limited by pointing
- Bulky remote access

Unix File System Layout

- Everything is a file (including devices)
 - /dev/hda
 - /dev/sda
- Tree structured hierarchy
 - Top of the tree is /
 - /usr/include
 - /usr/bin
- Admin/Non-Admin
 - Admin/SuperUser/RootUser
 - · Can do anything on the system!
 - NonAdmin/RestrictedUser
 - · Restricted set of permissions
- Lost? Man Pages
 - man: get manual or man pages
 - man ls: shows the man page for 'ls' command
 - /keyword : forward slash followed by keyword to search within a man page (press 'n' to goto the next occurrence)
 - q : quit the man page

The Basics

- Environment variables
 - These are a set of global key(variable)/value pairs that affect a user's login env
 - \$PATH List of directories to search for commands
 - \$HOME Home directory
- Commonly used commands...
 - printenv: prints all env variables
 - echo \$PATH
 - echo \$HOME
 - mv: move a file (no undos!)
 - cp: copy a file
 - rm: remove a file
 - mkdir: make a directory
 - rmdir: remove a directory
 - Is: list contents of a directory
 - · -I: show long listing including permission info
 - · -a: list all files including hidden ones
 - -s: show size of each file, in blocks
 - -h: human readable form

- Moving around
 - pwd: print working directory
 - cd: change working directory
 - − ~: home directory
 - .: current directory
 - /: root directory, or directory separator
 - ...: parent directory
- Filename matching (wildcards)
 - ?: matches any single character in a filename
 - *: matches one or more characters in a filename
 - []: matches any one of the characters between the brackets. Use '-' to separate a range of consecutive characters.

- File and directory permissions are important for security on linux
- User (u) / Group (g) / Others (o)
 - User is the owner of the file
 - Group csugrad
 - Other others with accounts on the system
- Permission bits
 - Read (r), Write (w), Execute(x)
- rwx-rwx-rwx 111 110 110
 - chmod 766 file.txt
- Other ways of using chmod
 - chmod u+x file.txt → Sets the execute bit for User
 - chmod g-r file.txt \rightarrow Clears the read bit for Group
 - chmod o-w file.txt → Clears the write bit for Others

- Command History
 - <up arrow>: previous command
 - <tab>: auto-complete
 - !!: replace with previous command
 - 1s
 - man !!
- Standard Streams
 - STDOUT Standard output
 - STDERR Standard error
 - STDIN Standard input
- Redirection to/from files
 - > file : write stdout to a file (overwrites existing file!)
 - >> file : append stdout to a file
 - < file : use contents of a file as stdin
- Pipes: Redirecting the output of one command to another
 - ls -l | wc -l

- Changing file attributes
 - In: create a link
 - Hard links: points to physical data (ln file.txt hlink)
 - Soft links aka symbolic links (-s): points to a file (ln -s file.txt slink)
 - touch: update access & modification time to current time
 - chmod Changing permissions
- find Locate files on disk
 - Example Usage find /usr/include -name 'stdio.h'
 - Useful options
 - -type: type of a file (e.g,, directory, symbolic link)
 - -perm: permission of a file
 - -name: name of a file
 - -prune: don't descend into a directory
 - -ls: list current file

The Basics: Look These Up

Use man pages to see what these commands do.

- cat
- head
- tail
- du
- ps
- kill
- diff
- cmp
- MC
- sort

SSH (Secure Shell) & SCP (Secure Copy)

- Remote Login via CLI
 - ssh username@lnxsrv.seas.ucla.edu
- Copy to/from seasnet server
 - scp
 - Usage similar to cp
 - scp [source] [destination]
 - Transferring files to remote host
 - scp /home/username/doc.txt username@lnxsrv.seas.ucla.edu:/home/user/docs/
 - Transferring files from remote host
 - scp username@lnxsrv.seas.ucla.edu:/home/user/docs/foo.txt /home/username

Emacs

- Almost like a Windows text editor, but much more powerful
- Sometimes easier to use than vi
- Useful features for a programmer
 - Multiple windows/files
 - Integration with gdb
 - Execute commands or fire up a shell inside the editor
 - Very customizable!

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↑ zero — ssh sharath@Inxsrv07.seas.ucla.edu — 155×45

print go run until next step finish up down Gud Complete In/Out Signals Help
                                                                                                       [sharath@lnxsrv07 prog]$ ls
   int main(int argc, char *argv[])
                                                                                                      main.c mainexec
                                                                                                      [sharath@lnxsrv07 prog]$ gcc -g main.c -o mainexec
B printf("Hello world\n");
                                                                                                      [sharath@lnxsrv07 prog]$ ./mainexec
                                                                                                       [sharath@lnxsrv07 prog]$
Current directory is ~/cs35L/A1/prog/
GNU gdb (GDB) Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.6.1-80.el7
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This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
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and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "x86_64-redhat-linux-gnu".
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /w/grad.1/cs/sharath/cs35L/A1/prog/mainexec...done.
(gdb) b main
Breakpoint 1 at 0x40053f: file main.c, line 5.
-UUU:**--F1 *gud-mainexec* All L14 (Debugger:run [ready]) ---
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GNU Emacs Reference Card

(for version 20)

Starting Emacs

To enter GNU Emacs 20, just type its name: emacs To read in a file to edit, see Files, below.

Leaving Emacs

| suspend Emacs (or iconify it under X) | C-z |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| exit Emacs permanently | C-x C-c |

Files

| read a file into Emacs | C-x C-f |
|--|---------|
| save a file back to disk | C-x C-s |
| save all files | C-x s |
| insert contents of another file into this buffer | C-x i |
| replace this file with the file you really want | C-x C-v |
| write buffer to a specified file | C-x C-w |
| version control checkin/checkout | C-x C-q |

Getting Help

The help system is simple. Type C-h (or F1) and follow the directions. If you are a first-time user, type C-h t for a tutorial.

| remove help window | C-x 1 |
|--|-------|
| scroll help window | C-M-v |
| apropos: show commands matching a string | C-h a |
| show the function a key runs | C-h c |
| describe a function | C-h f |
| get mode-specific information | C-h m |

Error Recovery

| abort partially typed or executing comman | nd | C-g |
|---|-----|---------------|
| recover a file lost by a system crash | M-x | recover-file |
| undo an unwanted change | | C-x u or C |
| restore a buffer to its original contents | M-x | revert-buffer |
| redraw garbaged screen | | C-1 |

Incremental Search

| search forward | C-s |
|--|---------------------------------|
| search backward | C-r |
| regular expression search | C-M-s |
| reverse regular expression search | C-M-r |
| select previous search string select next later search string exit incremental search undo effect of last character abort current search | M-p M-n RET DEL C-g |

Use C-s or C-r again to repeat the search in either direction. If Emacs is still searching, C-g cancels only the part not done.

Motion

| entity to move over | backward | forward |
|---|----------|---------|
| character | C-b | C-f |
| word | M-b | M-f |
| line | C-p | C-n |
| go to line beginning (or end) | C-a | C-e |
| sentence | M-a | М-е |
| paragraph | M-{ | M-} |
| page | C-x [| C-x] |
| sexp | C-M-b | C-M-f |
| function | C-M-a | C-M-e |
| go to buffer beginning (or end) | M-< | M-> |
| scroll to next screen | C | v |
| scroll to previous screen | M- | v |
| scroll left | C-: | κ < |
| scroll right | C-: | κ > |
| scroll current line to center of screen | C-1 | a C-1 |

Killing and Deleting

| entity to kill character (delete, not kill) word | backward DEL | C-d |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| line (to end of) sentence | M-DEL M-O C-k C-x DEL | M-d C-k M-k |
| kill region | M C-M-k C-w | , |
| copy region to kill ring kill through next occurrence of char | | char |
| yank back last thing killed replace last yank with previous kill | С-у М-у | |

Marking

| set mark here | C-@ or C-SF |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| exchange point and mark | C-x C-x |
| set mark <i>arg</i> words away | M-@ |
| mark paragraph | M-h |
| mark page | C-x C-p |
| mark sexp | C-M-@ |
| mark function | C-M-h |
| mark entire buffer | C-x h |

Query Replace

| interactively replace a text string | M-% |
|---|--------------------------|
| using regular expressions | M-x query-replace-regexp |
| Valid responses in query-replace m | node are |
| replace this one, go on to next replace this one, don't move skip to next without replacing replace all remaining matches back up to the previous match | SPC , DEL ! |
| exit query-replace | RET |
| enter recursive edit (C-M-c to exit | C-r |

Multiple Windows

| When two commands are shown, the s | econd is for "o | ther frame." |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| delete all other windows | C-x | 1 |
| split window, above and below | C-x 2 | C-x 5 2 |
| delete this window | C-x 0 | C-x 5 0 |
| split window, side by side | C-x | 3 |
| scroll other window | C-M- | -v |
| switch cursor to another window | C-x o | С-х 5 о |
| select buffer in other window | C-x 4 b | С-х 5 Ъ |
| display buffer in other window | C-x 4 C-o | C-x 5 C-o |
| find file in other window | C-x 4 f | C-x 5 f |
| find file read-only in other window | C-x 4 r | C-x 5 r |
| run Dired in other window | C-x 4 d | C-x 5 d |
| find tag in other window | C-x 4 . | С-х 5 . |
| grow window taller | C-x | ^ |
| shrink window narrower | C-x | { |
| grow window wider | C-x | } |

Formatting

| indent current line (mode-dependent) | TAB |
|--|--|
| indent region (mode-dependent) | C-M-\ |
| indent sexp (mode-dependent) | C-M-q |
| indent region rigidly arg columns | C-x TAB |
| insert newline after point move rest of line vertically down delete blank lines around point join line with previous (with arg, next) delete all white space around point put exactly one space at point | C-o C-M-o C-x C-o M-^ M-\ M-SPC |
| fill paragraph | M-q |
| set fill column | C-x f |
| set prefix each line starts with | C-x . |
| set face | M-g |

Case Change

| uppercase word | M-u |
|------------------|---------|
| lowercase word | M-1 |
| capitalize word | M-c |
| uppercase region | C-x C-u |
| lowercase region | C-x C-1 |

The Minibuffer

The following keys are defined in the minibuffer.

| complete as much as possible | TAB |
|---|-----|
| complete up to one word | SPC |
| complete and execute | RET |
| show possible completions | ? |
| fetch previous minibuffer input | M-p |
| fetch later minibuffer input or default | M-n |
| regexp search backward through history | M-r |
| regexp search forward through history | M-s |
| abort command | C-g |
| | |

Type C-x ESC ESC to edit and repeat the last command that used the minibuffer. Type F10 to activate the menu bar using the minibuffer.

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Buffers

| select another buffer | C-x | b |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| list all buffers | C-x | С-ь |
| kill a buffer | C-x | k |

Transposing

| transpose characters | C-t |
|----------------------|---------|
| transpose words | M-t |
| transpose lines | C-x C-t |
| transpose sexps | C-M-t |

Spelling Check

| check | spelling | of | current word | | M-\$ |
|-------|----------|-------------|---------------------|-----|---------------|
| check | spelling | $^{\rm of}$ | all words in region | M-x | ispell-region |
| check | spelling | of | entire buffer | M-x | ispell-buffer |

Tags

| find a tag (a definition) | M |
|--|----------------------|
| find next occurrence of tag | C-u M |
| specify a new tags file | M-x visit-tags-table |
| regexp search on all files in tags table | M-x tags-search |
| run query-replace on all the files M- | x tags-query-replace |

continue last tags search or query-replace

Shells

| execute a shell command | M-! |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| run a shell command on the region | M- |
| filter region through a shell command | C-u M- |
| start a shell in window *shell* | M-x shell |

Rectangles

| copy rectangle to register | C-x r r |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| kill rectangle | C-x r k |
| yank rectangle | С-х г у |
| open rectangle, shifting text right | C-x r o |
| blank out rectangle | С-х г с |
| prefix each line with a string | C-x r t |

Abbrevs

| add global abbrev | C-x a g |
|--|-----------|
| add mode-local abbrev | C-x a 1 |
| add global expansion for this abbrev | C-x a i g |
| add mode-local expansion for this abbrev | C-x a i l |
| explicitly expand abbrev | C-x a e |
| expand previous word dynamically | M-/ |

Regular Expressions

| any single character except | a newline | . (dot) |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| zero or more repeats | | * |
| one or more repeats | | + |
| zero or one repeat | | ? |
| quote regular expression sp | ecial character c | $\backslash c$ |
| alternative ("or") | | \1 |
| grouping | | \(\) |
| same text as n th group | | $\backslash n$ |
| at word break | | \b |
| not at word break | | \B |
| entity | match start | match end |
| line | ^ | \$ |
| word | \< | \> |
| buffer | \' | \', |
| class of characters | match these | match others |
| explicit set | [] | [^] |
| word-syntax character | \w | \W |
| character with syntax c | \sc | \Sc |

International Character Sets

| specify principal language M-: show all input methods | x set-language-environment M-x list-input-methods |
|---|--|
| enable or disable input method set coding system for next comm | C-\ |
| show all coding systems | M-x list-coding-systems |
| choose preferred coding system | M-x prefer-coding-system |

Info

| enter the Info documentation reader find specified function or variable in Info Moving within a node: | C-h i C-h C-i |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| scroll forward scroll reverse beginning of node | SPC DEL . (dot) |
| Moving between nodes: next node previous node move up select menu item by name select nth menu item by number (1-9) follow cross reference (return with 1) return to last node you saw return to directory node go to any node by name | n P u m n f 1 d |
| Other: | · · |
| run Info tutorial quit Info search nodes for regexp | h q M-s |

Registers

| save region in register | C-x r s |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| insert register contents into buffer | C-x r i |
| save value of point in register | C-x r SPC |
| jump to point saved in register | C-x r j |

Keyboard Macros

| start defining a keyboard macro | C-x (|
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| end keyboard macro definition | C-x) |
| execute last-defined keyboard made | cro C–x e |
| append to last keyboard macro | C-u C-x (|
| name last keyboard macro | M-x name-last-kbd-macro |
| insert Lisp definition in buffer | M-x insert-kbd-macro |

Commands Dealing with Emacs Lisp

| eval sexp before point | | C-x C-e |
|-------------------------------------|-----|--------------|
| eval current defun | | C-M-x |
| eval region | M-x | eval-region |
| read and eval minibuffer | | M-: |
| load from standard system directory | M-x | load-library |

Simple Customization

| customize variables and faces | M-x | customize |
|--|--------|-----------|
| Making global key bindings in Emacs Li | sp (ex | amples): |
| (global-set-key "\C-cg" 'goto-line) | | |
| (global-set-key "\M-#" 'query-repla | ce-reg | gexp) |

Writing Commands

The interactive spec says how to read arguments interactively. Type C-h f interactive for more details.

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Vi

- Modes:
 - Normal: Enter commands
 - Insert: Insert text
 - Visual: Like normal, but you can highlight
 - Replace: Like insert, but you replace characters as you type
 - Recording: Record a sequence of key sequences

VI "Cheat" Sheet ACNS Bulletin ED-03 February 1995

vi Editor "Cheat Sheet"

Invoking vi: vi filename

Format of vi commands: [count][command] (count repeats the effect of the command)

Command mode versus input mode

Vi starts in command mode. The positioning commands operate only while vi is in command mode. You switch vi to input mode by entering any one of several vi input commands. (See next section.) Once in input mode, any character you type is taken to be text and is added to the file. You cannot execute any commands until you exit input mode. To exit input mode, press the escape (Eoo) key.

Input commands (end with Esc)

| a | Append after cursor |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| i | Insert before cursor |
| 0 | Open line below |
| 0 | Open line above |
| x file | Insert file after current line |

Any of these commands leaves vi in input mode until you press **Bac**. Pressing the **RETURN** key will not take you out of input mode.

Change commands (Input mode)

| cw | Change word (Esc) |
|------|---------------------------------------|
| cc | Change line (Esc) - blanks line |
| c\$ | Change to end of line |
| IC . | Replace character with c |
| R. | Replace (Esc) - typeover |
| 5 | Substitute (Esc) - 1 char with string |
| S | Substitute (Esc) - Rest of line with |
| | text |
| | Repeat last change |

Changes during insert mode

| <ctrl>h</ctrl> | Back one character |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| <ctrl>w</ctrl> | Back one word |
| <ctrl>u</ctrl> | Back to beginning of insert |

File management commands

| :w name | Write edit buffer to file name |
|---------|--|
| :wq | Write to file and quit |
| :q! | Quit without saving changes |
| ZZ | Same as :wq |
| :sh | Execute shell commands (<ctrl>d)</ctrl> |

Window motions

| <ctrl>d</ctrl> | Scroll down (half a screen) |
|----------------|--|
| <ctrl>u</ctrl> | Scroll up (half a screen) |
| <ctrl>f</ctrl> | Page forward |
| <ctrl>b</ctrl> | Page backward |
| /string | Search forward |
| ?string | Search backward |
| <ctrl>l</ctrl> | Redraw screen |
| <ctrl>g</ctrl> | Display current line number and file information |
| n | Repeat search |
| N | Repeat search reverse |
| G | Go to last line |
| иG | Go to line n |
| :20 | Go to line n |
| z <cr></cr> | Reposition window: cursor at top |
| Z. | Reposition window: cursor in middle |
| Z- | Reposition window: cursor at bottom |
| | |

Cursor motions

| H M | Upper left corner (home) Middle line |
|--------|---|
| L | Lower left corner |
| h | Back a character |
| j | Down a line |
| k | Up a line |
| Λ. | Beginning of line |
| \$ | End of line |
| 1 | Forward a character |
| W | One word forward |
| b | Back one word |
| fc | Find c |
| : | Repeat find (find next c) |
| | |

Deletion commands

| dd or ndd | Delete n lines to general buffer |
|-----------|------------------------------------|
| dw | Delete word to general buffer |
| dnw | Delete n words |
| ď) | Delete to end of sentence |
| db | Delete previous word |
| D | Delete to end of line |
| × | Delete character |

Recovering deletions

| p | Put general buffer after cursor |
|---|----------------------------------|
| P | Put general buffer before cursor |

Undo commands

| u | Undo last change |
|---|--------------------------|
| U | Undo all changes on line |

Rearrangement commands

| yy or Y | Yank (copy) line to general buffer |
|---------|-------------------------------------|
| "2буу | Yank 6 lines to buffer z |
| yw | Yank word to general buffer |
| "a9dd | Delete 9 lines to buffer a |
| ".49dd | Delete 9 lines; Append to buffer a |
| "ap | Put text from buffer a after cursor |
| p | Put general buffer after cursor |
| P | Put general buffer before cursor |
| J | Join lines |

Show invisible characters

Parameters

set list

| set nolist | Don't show invisible characters |
|------------------------------------|--|
| set number set nonumber | Show line numbers Don't show line numbers |
| set autoindent set noautoindent | Indent after carriage return Turn off autoindent |
| :set showmatch :set noshowmatch | Show matching sets of parentheses as they are typed Turn off showmatch |
| :set showmode :set noshowmode | Display mode on last line of screen Turn off showmode |
| set all | Show values of all possible parameters |
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Move text from file old to file new

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| "al0yy | yank 10 lines to buffer a |
| :w | write work buffer |
| :e new | edit new file |
| <i>"a</i> p | put text from a after cursor |
| :30,60w new | Write lines 30 to 60 in file new |

Regular expressions (search strings)

| ^ | Matches beginning of line |
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| S | Matches end of line |
| | Matches any single character |
| * | Matches any previous character |
| .* | Matches any character |

Search and replace commands

Syntax:

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: [address] s/old_text/new_text/

Address components:

| | Current line |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| n | Line number n |
| .+m | Current line plus m lines |
| S | Last line |
| /string/ | A line that contains "strin |
| % | Entire file |
| [addr11.[addr21 | Specifies a range |

Examples:

The following example replaces only the first occurrence of Banana with Kumquat in each of 11 lines starting with the current line (.) and continuing for the 10 that follow (.+10).

:.,.+10s/Banana/Kumquat

The following example replaces every occurrence (caused by the g at the end of the command) of apple with pear.

:%s/apple/pear/g

The following example removes the last character from every line in the file. Use it if every line in the file ends with "M as the result of a file transfer. Execute it when the cursor is on the first line of the file.

:%s/.\$//