

SED delete, print and grouping

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SED delete

A useful command that deletes line that matches the restriction: “d.” For example, if you want to chop off the header of a mail message, which is everything up to the first blank line, use:

```
$ sed '1,/^$/d' file
```

SED print

If sed was not started with an “-n” option, the “p” command will duplicate the input.

```
sed '/^$/ p' file
```

Adding the “-n” option turns off printing unless you request it.

SED grouping

The curly braces, “{” and “}” are used to group the commands.

Previously, we have showed you how to remove comments starting with a “#.” If you wanted to restrict the removal to lines between special “begin” and “end” key words, we use:

```
sed -n 'begin, end d'
```

```
/begin/,/end/ {  
    s/#.*//  
  
    s/[ ^I]*$//  
    /^$/ d  
    p  
}  
' file
```