

# **Editors**

CIS 2230 Linux System Administration Lecture 10

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### Review – regex, sed, awk

- What are the 2 anchors in regex?
- How do you specify a character range in regex?
- What is the regex wildcard character?
- In regex, what are 3 ways to specify the char or range repeats?
- What is this regex looking for? Explain.

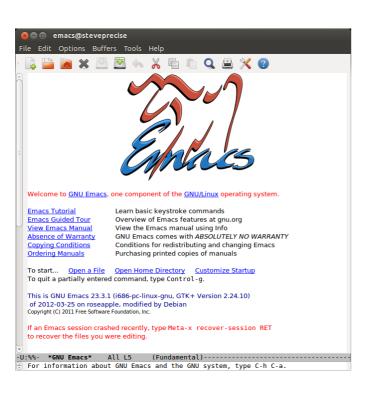
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/^.*[,]?VT +?[0-9]{5}-?[0-9]{4}/
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- In AWK, what specifies each column in the input stream?
- In AWK, the format is \$ awk '(expr) {expr}'
   Describe those 2 expressions.



#### **Editors**

- Why?
- Popular ones?
- Why learn them all?





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File Edit View Search Terminal Help

CNU nano 2.2.6

New Buffer

CGet Help

O WriteOut

AR Read File

AY Prev Page

AX Cut Text

CCur Pos

XX Exit

D Justify

M Where Is

V Next Page

O Uncut Text

To Spell
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# vi(m)

- vi exists on virtually every unix installation: pervasive & ubiquitous
- vi is the default editor for "most every" linux distro
- vim is simply "vi improved"
- \$ vimtutor
  - Note: for Ubuntu 13.xx+, "they" (Canonical) decided to only install vim-tiny by default, so vimtutor is not installed.
- https://help.ubuntu.com/community/VimHowto

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steve@vervent:~$ vim
The program 'vim' can be found in the following packages:
 * vim
 * vim-gnome
 * vim-tiny
 * vim-athena
 * vim-gtk
 * vim-nox
Try: sudo apt-get install <selected package>
steve@vervent:~$ vimtutor
The program 'vimtutor' is currently not installed. You can install it by typing:
sudo apt-get install vim-runtime
steve@vervent:~$ ■
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#### vi essentials!

- **Must Memorize:** 
  - 4 modes
  - Cursor movement
  - Insert/delete text
  - Save / don't save and quit

# Modes

One of the most confusing things about vim is that it has four modes.

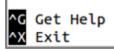
- Insert: To type text
- Command: To issue commands. Also called as Normal mode.
- 3. Ex: To issue colon commands
- 4. Visual To select text visually

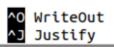
Colon commands are file commands for inserting, writing, saving, exiting.

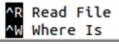


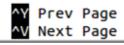
#### nano

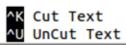
- GNU nano is a simple terminal-based text editor.
   Though not as powerful as Emacs or Vim, it is easy to learn and use.
- Nano is a gnu (i.e. "free") replacement of non-free pico editor.
- https://help.ubuntu.com/community/Nano
- Note: line-wrapping on by default, use "-w" option to turn off.
- The bottom 2 lines gives a "shortcut list" of most used commands.

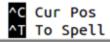














#### emacs

- My favorite editor
- More complicated, yet more powerful
- Need to install in Ubuntu not in default install
- Commands are often 2 "Cntrl-<key>" commands
- Emacs opens a new GUI window, \$ emacs -nw for text mode.
- Emacs keystrokes used in other places, including linux shell terminals
- https://help.ubuntu.com/community/EmacsHowto
  - Good summary of key commands
  - Movement commands: ^a, ^e, ^p, ^n, ^f, ^b
  - Delete: ^d, ^k
  - File commands: ^xf, ^xs
  - Important: ^g, ^xu, ^x^c



### gedit

- The default, simple graphical editor for Ubuntu
- Commands in buttons and pulldown menus
- Many nice "context modes" and highlighting
- Full mouse integration

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File Edit View Search Tools Documents Help
        Open ▼ 🔼 Save
                                  Undo 
test.sh 🗱
#!/bin/sh
echo start
sleep 10 &
echo background
sleep 3
echo sleep 13
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# Simple scripting

# 2 methods run a script

- 1. Method #1
  - Just put commands in a file
  - The file is argument to a shell
  - \$ bash backup.sh
- 2. Method #2
  - Add the "shebang" #!/bin/bash
  - Add commands to file (save it)
  - Change file permissions to be executable by user \$ chmod u+x <file>
  - Run your script file from the command prompt
    - You must understand: Explicit vs Implicit:)