LING 408/508: Programming for Linguists

Online Lecture 7
September 16th
Today's Topics

• Just two exercises for you to practice your Bash shell script writing skills!
• Don't submit as homework
Ungraded Exercise

• Changing the line spacing of a text file
  1. Write a script that reads each line of a file, then writes the line back out, but with an extra blank line following. This has the effect of *double-spacing* the file.

    **Note:** include if possible a check to see whether the script gets the necessary command-line argument (a filename), and whether the specified file exists.

  2. Next, write a script to echo all lines of a file except for blank lines.

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