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Chapter 1

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1.1 Strip 1.1

Welcome to Strip v1.1

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1.2 Strip - What is Strip?

Strip is a simple program which, given a text file, scans through it removing any non-printable characters except for linefeeds and tabs.

Strip was born one sunny afternoon when I discovered that I didn't seem to have such a simple program around, so I wrote one.

1.3 Strip - How does it work?

Strip is a CLI command designed to reside in your C: directory. To use Strip simply type in a shell:

strip infile outfile

where infile is the name of the text file you want to remove control characters from and outfile is the name of the stripped file.

Strip also works with pipes and redirection. If you omit the outfile name or use a - instead the stripped file will be sent to the standard output. If

you omit the infile or use - then Strip will take the text file from the standard input.

A few examples follow:

strip textfile stripfile
strip <textfile >stripfile

will take textfile, remove all control characters from it and deposit the result in stripfile. NB: stripping to and from standard input/output is much slower than doing it from files;

strip - stripfile

will take the standard input, strip it and desposit the results in stripfile. This isn't really much use unless you like typing a lot, but it does allow you to pipe files into Strip. To do this, you'll need two shells. In one type, for example:

type textfile >PIPE:strip.me

in the other type:

strip - stripfile <PIPE:strip.me</pre>

This will take the file textfile, strip it and deposit the results in stripfile. Strip also works with Unix-style pipes:

type textfile | strip - stripfile

if you have one installed;

strip textfile
strip textfile -

will take textfile, remove all control characters from it and display it in the shell Strip was started from. This can be used to pipe Strip's output to another program;

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strip
strip - -
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Takes the standard input, strips it and sends it to the standard output.

1.4 Strip - Who wrote it?

This program was conceived, designed and written on the 23 March 1995 by Simon Austin.

I can be contacted by email at simona@power.globalnews.com or you can visit my home page at http://www.webzonel.co.uk/www/taranis (NB: this address is awaiting registration, use http://v6.ledge.co.uk/www/taranis if it doesn't work.)

or

1.5 Strip - What problems are there?

There are no problems/bugs currently known to be in Strip.

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Some tips on use might help. If you type
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strip strip - -

nothing will happen and your prompt won't return. To get it back press either ``Ctrl C'' followed by ``Return'' or ``Ctrl ''.

1.6 Strip - What's happened to it?

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RCS file: RCS/Strip.c,v
Working file: Strip.c
head: 1.1
branch:
locks: strict
     simon: 1.1
access list:
symbolic names:
comment leader: " * "
keyword substitution: kv
total revisions: 3;
                  selected revisions: 3
description:
Strip: A program to filter formatting characters from a text file.
_____
revision 1.1
            locked by: simon;
date: 1995/03/23 16:32:16; author: simon; state: Exp; lines: +4 -4
Added \n to end of usage message.
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revision 1.0
date: 1995/03/23 16:31:11; author: simon; state: Exp; lines: +104 -3
First working version.
_____
revision 0.0
date: 1995/03/23 14:00:26; author: simon; state: Exp;
Initial Revision.
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