

## General

◇ How to create SelfReplace application?

- Use the menu "File/Save As..." to save filter file as SelfReplace application. (Old application "SelfReplace Maker" is obsolete.)

◇ How to increase conversion speed?

- Use the native application. If you have only the PowerReplace 68K, please create and use SelfReplace, because all SelfReplace applications are always Fat.
- Optimize your filter file. (See Chapter 7: Technical Note)

◇ There is a special character in my text file, how to get its ASCII?

- PowerReplace can help you. Convert your text file using the filter file "ShowASCII". You will see its ASCII in the output file.

◇ My Mac has enough RAM, but why PowerReplace can not work and says "no enough memory to run"?

- The big clipboard may cause memory problem. Try to empty the clipboard.

◇ I like ClarisWorks (or Word) and I use it to write my text. But usually this application saves my text as its document, which is not a text file (of type 'TEXT'). Can PowerReplace help me to find/replace?

- No direct solution. Two indirect solutions:

1. Save your text as text file using the menu "File/Save As..." under the application ClarisWorks (or Word).
2. Select your text and use the "Convert Clipboard" feature.

## About filter file

◇ I would like to replace é by &eacute; for converting my text into HTML format. How to do it?

- It's enough to add the following line in your filter-file:

```
"é"      "&eacute;"
```

◇ Now I would like to do exactly the opposite, it means replace &eacute; by é how about it ?

- This time the following line:

```
"&eacute;"  "é"
```

◇ How to replace %22 by " (quotation marks)?

- You must use the special character \" adding the following line:

```
"%22"    "\""
```

◇ OK. But sometimes my text editor cut a word into two for separating two lines as %2-2 and %-22, how to correct it?

- Add the following lines :

```
"%2\n2"  "\""  
"%2\r2"  "\""  
"%\n22"  "\""  
"%\r22"  "\""
```

◇ How to remove all words beginning with def?

- Use pattern.

```
'def[a-zA-Zàâäéèëçüö]*' ""
```

◇ How to remove a line beginning with % (TeX comment)?

```
- "%*\r" "\r"  
"%*\n" "\n"
```

◇ How to remove all mathematical formulas in a TeX file?

```
- "$*$*$" ""  
"$*$" ""
```

◇ I would like to replace ef by EF, except ef in def?

- There is an astute method:

```
"def" "my_save"  
"ef" "EF"  
"my_save" "def"
```

◇ How to replace \alpha by æ (in a TeX file for example)?

- (Don't forget that there is perhaps \alphabet in the text file). Use pattern and meta.

```
#meta "/"  
\alpha[^a-zA-Z]' "æ"
```