

Debian-User: Re: sed question

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On Sun, 31 Aug 2003 10:20:46 +1000 John Habermann wrote:

> *I have tried things like the following:*

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> *sed -e 's/^w.*\s/' > log*

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> *thinking that it would delete from the beginning of the line to the*

> *first white space but it deletes all matched expressions.*

(man sed, man grep)

It seems you mean 's/^\w*\s/'

Unfortunately, it seems sed doesn't understand the \w and \s escape sequences, unlike grep. Better try:

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sed 's/^[[:alnum:]]*[[[:space:]]*//'
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