

# Re: OT: a problem about text manipulation

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On Tue, Oct 31, 2006 at 04:18:31PM +0500, Yakov Hrebtov wrote:

Paul Smith wrote:

I am looking for an automatic way of transforming my text file into another one with the format

You may try this:

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cat ./test.txt | awk '{print $1 " "$2; print $1 " "$3; print $1 " "$4}' |  
grep -v ' $'
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$ awk '{for(i=2;i<=NF;i++)printf $1"\t"$i"\n"}' test.txt
```

That's all.

or, try this.

```
$ awk '{for(i=2;i<=NF;i++)print $1, $i}' test.txt
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I think awk is the best solution for this problem.

Regards,

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