

NAME

fed – edit associative memory for form letter

SYNOPSIS

fed

DESCRIPTION

Fed is used to edit a form letter associative memory file, **form.m**, which consists of named strings. Commands consist of single letters followed by a list of string names separated by a single space and ending with a new line. The conventions of the Shell with respect to ‘*’ and ‘?’ hold for all commands but **m**. The commands are:

e name ...

Fed writes the string whose name is *name* onto a temporary file and executes *ed*. On exit from the *ed* the temporary file is copied back into the associative memory. Each argument is operated on separately. Be sure to give an *ed w* command (without a filename) to rewrite *fed*'s temporary file before quitting out of *ed*.

d [name ...]

deletes a string and its name from the memory. When called with no arguments **d** operates in a verbose mode typing each string name and deleting only if a **y** is typed. A **q** response returns to *fed*'s command level. Any other response does nothing.

m name1 name2 ...

(move) changes the name of name1 to name2 and removes previous string name2 if one exists. Several pairs of arguments may be given. Literal strings are expected for the names.

n [name ...]

(names) lists the string names in the memory. If called with the optional arguments, it just lists those requested.

p name ...

prints the contents of the strings with names given by the arguments.

q

returns to the system.

c [**p**] [**f**]

checks the associative memory file for consistency and reports the number of free headers and blocks. The optional arguments do the following:

p causes any unaccounted-for string to be printed.

f fixes broken memories by adding unaccounted-for headers to free storage and removing references to released headers from associative memory.

FILES

/tmp/ftmp?	temporary
form.m	associative memory

SEE ALSO

form(I), ed(I), sh(I)

WARNING

It is legal but unwise to have string names with blanks, ‘:’ or ‘?’ in them.

BUGS