CS 2204 Lab 8

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Create a subdirectory called 1ab8 under your home directory. Perform any necessary work for this lab assignment in that directory. All files mentioned below are available from the web location http://courses.cs.vt.edu/ \sim cs2204/fall2005/assignments/ (just append the filename to the above URL to obtain the file).

1. (3 points) Recall what the uniq command does. Write a gawk script with similar functionality. For the sample input file example.in, example1.out shows what the output should be. You might find the gawk command next useful (do a man gawk to see what this does).

2. (4 points) Extend the gawk script that you wrote in the previous question but, this time, remove duplicate lines even if they are not adjacent lines in the file. So we are creating a more powerful command than uniq. For the sample input file example.in, example2.out shows what the output should be.

3. (3 points) Assume you are given a file of names and telephone numbers, such as in oldphonenumbers.txt. We would like to sort it by last name, then by first name, then by middle initial, and finally by the phone number, so that we get the output shown in newphonenumbers.txt. Write your sort command in the space below.