
Subject: perl script to create html documentation from source files available

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Hi,

yes - I have exactly what you are looking for. I wrote a perl script 'webdoc' that extracts information from comment blocks which look something like this:

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;+-----  
; Function: mldata::define  
; Args   : int nslices   : number of slices  
;         int nshots    : number of shots in the image series  
; Calls  : somefunction  
;         someotherfunction  
; Desc   : the program does this and that  
;-----
```

;. this is an inline comment which will be added to the docu

The program then creates:

- one html file per source file
- optional call trees in html, based on the info in the 'calls' section
- one html file listing all files
- one html file listing all functions
- one central html file

Some features of the program:

- 'start' and 'end' of comment block markers and inline comment markers are freely configurable which makes the program suitable for many languages (e.g. perl, shell, etc.)
- freely definable keywords and their translation into html ('desc' will come up as 'Description' on the webpage)
- freely definable layout of the HTML output files in which the generated information will be imbedded
- any known function name in the html output is replaced by a hyperlink to the documentation of this function, i.e. the pages are all interlinked
- use of css style sheets which allows you to define your own page look without interfering with the program
- direct access to your source code via the generated HTML pages using a small perl viewer script - the viewer script even knows a very little bit of syntax highlighting although I haven't put much effort in this part, yet.

It's not entirely easy to configure, but I provide full documentation via an extensive manpage and a little template project which should be a good starting point. I've been running the program for some years now and it should be pretty stable in the meantime.

I cannot put it up on the net for free download, but I'll be happy to send the whole package to anybody who's interested. Please send a mail to
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Cheers
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