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Thread: [Pulling links from source code with grep?](#)

Tesseract.mk - May 27, 2017, 10:31 am

Hey guys, first post

I've been taking online courses online for security+ and some other subjects, it's pretty much just video tutorials, I looked at the source code and the links to the videos aren't hidden so I can pull them down and save them, but there's loads of videos. I'm trying to run grep to pull the links from the source code but not having much luck.

```
cat source.php | grep *.mp4 > links.txt
```

Thats the command I tried but no luck, not sure if the command is wrong or if it's because the links aren't on their own line. Any help would be much appreciated :)

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```
Code cat source.php | grep -Eo '(http|https):\\V[^"]+\\.mp4' > links.txt
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That's awesome thanks a lot :)

Better get my head back in the man page, I'm not as good as I'd like to be in the terminal yet

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Save them all to the current working directory:

```
Code for m in $(cat source.php | grep -Eo '(http|https):\\V[^"]+\\.mp4'); do
    curl -O $m;
done
```

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No - it's simply Bash, with Regex for matching the URLs.

Got used to it by doing, never read an actual book on it: just man pages and Google.

I've worked more seriously with other scripting languages though, so that probably makes it easier.

Hackoo - May 27, 2017, 5:39 pm

If your are intersted with batch too; here is some examples : [How to extract data from website ?](#)