TEClicker INIT
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TEClicker is a tiny startup document (also known as an INIT) that improves TextEdit's way of selecting text when a double-click is encountered. Normally, TextEdit will select everything around the cursor position until a character with an ASCII code ≤ 32 (space) in encountered. With TEClicker installed, only "words" in the common sense of the word will be selected. For example, TextEdit is used in the Finder. If you want to rename a file named "TEClicker.txt" to "TEClicker.doc", you can double-click on "txt" and only that portion of the file name will become selected. Without TEClicker, the whole file name would become selected, since it doesn't contain any space.
TEClicker's algorithm for determining word boundaries has been carefully designed for daily use with simple text editors (e.g. within dialog boxes). When such an editor is used to edit source text, most double-clicks will select exactly what you want. If the selection is too narrow, you can hold down the mouse button after the second click and drag the mouse around to include the whole desired text in your selection.

Installation

To install TEClicker, simply copy it into your System folder and restart. To deinstall it temporarily, press the mouse button while restarting your Mac (although this will very likely to deactivate other INITs as well). To deinstall it permanently, remove it from your System folder.
When installed, TEClicker requires 470 bytes in the system heap.

Technical Stuff

TextEdit patches TENew and TEClick. When a click in a text is encountered, TEClicker first checks whether Apple's standard word breaking routine is installed. If this is the case, TEclicker temporarily installs its own word breaking routine during the call of TEClick. Other operations that rely on the word break routine (for example word wrap-around) are not affected by TEClicker. If TEClicker already finds that a custom word breaking routine is installed, it will not interfere with it.
Both patches to TENew and TEClick are so-called "tail patches". Since ththis sort of patch is disapproved of by Apple, incompatibilities with certain other applications and/or INITs and/or system software are possible. I have been using TEClicker for several months now without ever noticing such an incompatibility. One user reported a strange situation that could be resolved by renaming TEClicker such that it loads after all other INITs (except the Disinfectant INIT, which should always be the last INIT to load). If you should encounter a problem,

try renaming the TEClicker file to something like "•TEClicker" first. If that also fails, you should give up and remove TEClicker from your System folder.

Legal Information

TEClicker is free, but I reserve all rights to it. This means that it may be used free of charge, but if you give it away, you must not charge for it. You may upload it to bulletin boards or similar services, but you must not bundle it with commercial products.

Contact

TEClicker was a rather simple assembly language hack. I do not believe that it is worth much notice. I therefore do not ask for money or postcards or any other sign of gratitude. Should you still feel the need to cantact me for some reason, write to
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