NAME

Pod::Text::Overstrike - Convert POD data to formatted overstrike text

SYNOPSIS

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use Pod::Text::Overstrike;
my $parser = Pod::Text::Overstrike->new (sentence => 0, width => 78);

# Read POD from STDIN and write to STDOUT.
$parser->parse_from_filehandle;

# Read POD from file.pod and write to file.txt.
$parser->parse_from_file ('file.pod', 'file.txt');
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DESCRIPTION

Pod::Text::Overstrike is a simple subclass of Pod::Text that highlights output text using overstrike sequences, in a manner similar to nroff. Characters in bold text are overstruck (character, backspace, character) and characters in underlined text are converted to overstruck underscores (underscore, backspace, character). This format was originally designed for hard-copy terminals and/or line printers, yet is readable on soft-copy (CRT) terminals.

Overstruck text is best viewed by page-at-a-time programs that take advantage of the terminal's **stand-out** and *underline* capabilities, such as the less program on Unix.

Apart from the overstrike, it in all ways functions like Pod::Text. See *Pod::Text* for details and available options.

BUGS

Currently, the outermost formatting instruction wins, so for example underlined text inside a region of bold text is displayed as simply bold. There may be some better approach possible.

SEE ALSO

Pod::Text, *Pod::Simple*

The current version of this module is always available from its web site at *http://www.eyrie.org/~eagle/software/podlators/*. It is also part of the Perl core distribution as of 5.6.0.

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