

Repeated Code

```
Subject: format Question
Message-ID: <pqalftcopgu5addk8tkd0rlnfgujp1pef6@4ax.com>
```

```
...
y/A-Za-z/2223334445556667778889990022233344455566677788899900/;
...
```

- I had to grovel over the right side to make sure it was the same thing twice
- Quick! What is the translation of `mjd`?
- Better:

```
y/A-Z/a-z/;
y/a-z/22233344455566677788899900/;
#      abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
```

- Comments like this have a high information value
- Notice the way the comment is formatted
- It's easier to see than to think
- Here's a possible innovation:

```
y/A-Z/a-z/;
y{abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz}
  {22233344455566677788899900};
```

- Now the comment is unnecessary
- Which is better?