

WC

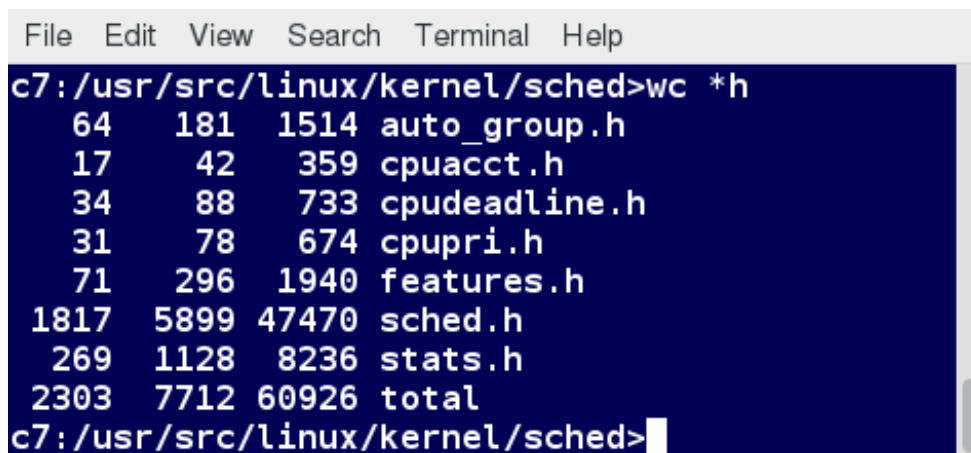
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wc (word count) counts the number of lines, words, and characters in a file or list of files. Options are given in the table below:

Option	Description
-l	Displays the number of lines
-c	Displays the number of bytes
-w	Displays the number of words

By default, all three of these options are active.

For example, to print only the number of lines contained in a file, type **wc -l filename** and press the **Enter** key.



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c7:/usr/src/linux/kernel/sched>wc *h
 64   181  1514 auto_group.h
 17    42   359 cpuacct.h
 34    88   733 cpudeadline.h
 31    78   674 cpupri.h
 71   296  1940 features.h
1817  5899 47470 sched.h
 269  1128  8236 stats.h
2303  7712 60926 total
c7:/usr/src/linux/kernel/sched>
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