NAME

GNU sdiff − side-by-side merge of file differences

SYNOPSIS

sdiff [*OPTION*]... *FILE1 FILE2*

DESCRIPTION

Side−by−side merge of differences between FILE1 and FILE2.

Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options too.

−o, **−−output=***FILE*
> operate interactively, sending output to FILE

−i, **−−ignore−case**
> consider upper− and lower−case to be the same

−E, **−−ignore−tab−expansion**
> ignore changes due to tab expansion

−Z, **−−ignore−trailing−space**
> ignore white space at line end

−b, **−−ignore−space−change**
> ignore changes in the amount of white space

−W, **−−ignore−all−space**
> ignore all white space

−B, **−−ignore−blank−lines**
> ignore changes whose lines are all blank

−I, **−−ignore−matching−lines=***RE*
> ignore changes all whose lines match RE

−−strip−trailing−cr
> strip trailing carriage return on input

−a, **−−text**
> treat all files as text

−w, **−−width=***NUM*
> output at most NUM (default 130) print columns

−l, **−−left−column**
> output only the left column of common lines

−s, **−−suppress−common−lines**
> do not output common lines

−t, **−−expand−tabs**
> expand tabs to spaces in output

−−tabsize=*NUM*
> tab stops at every NUM (default 8) print columns

−d, **−−minimal**
> try hard to find a smaller set of changes

−H, **−−speed−large−files**
> assume large files, many scattered small changes

−−diff−program=*PROGRAM*
> use PROGRAM to compare files

−−help display this help and exit

−v, **−−version**
> output version information and exit

If a FILE is '−', read standard input. Exit status is 0 if inputs are the same, 1 if different, 2 if trouble.

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SEE ALSO
cmp(1), diff(1), diff3(1)

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> **info GNU**

should give you access to the complete manual.