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$ locate pdflatex|grep bin
/usr/bin/pdflatex
/usr/bin/pdflatex-dev
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$ (find / -name pdflatex |grep bin) 2>/dev/null
/usr/bin/pdflatex
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$ which pdflatex
/usr/bin/pdflatex
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$ echo RTFM
RTFM
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$ apropos pdflatex
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$ man pdflatex
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PDFTEX(1)

## NAME

pdftex - PDF output from TeX

## SYNOPSIS

pdftex [options] [&format] [file|\commands]

## DESCRIPTION

Run the pdfTeX typesetter on file, usually creating file.pdf. If the file argument has no extension, ".tex" will be appended to it. Instead of a filename, a set of pdfTeX commands can be given, the first of which must start with a backslash. With a &format argument pdfTeX uses a different set of precompiled commands, contained in format.fmt; it is usually better to use the -fmt format option instead.

pdfTeX is a version of TeX, with the e-TeX extensions, that can create PDF files as well as DVI files.

In DVI mode, pdfTeX can be used as a complete replacement for the TeX engine.

The typical use of pdfTeX is with a pregenerated formats for which PDF output has been enabled. The pdftex command uses the equivalent of the plain TeX format, and the pdflatex command uses the equivalent of the LaTeX format. To generate formats, use the -ini switch.

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