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cat

• displays the contents of a file

Usage

```
cat + option + filepath
```

Examples

- Display the content of a file:
 - cat file.txt
- Concatenate multiple files:

```
• cat file1.txt file2.txt > merged.txt
```

- Display line numbers:
 - cat -n file.txt

tac

• displays file contents in reverse order

Usage

• tac + option + filepath

Examples

- Display a file in reverse:
 - tac file.txt
- Combine multiple files in reverse:
 - tac file1.txt file2.txt

head

• displays the first lines in a file

Usage

```
head + option + filepath
```

Examples

- Display the first 10 lines:
 - head file.txt
- Display the first 5 lines:
 - head -n 5 file.txt

tail

• displays the last lines of a file

Usage

```
tail + option + filepath
```

Examples

- Display the last 10 lines:
 - tail file.txt
- Display the last 5 lines:
 - tail -n 5 file.txt
- Display the last 50 bytes:
 - tail -c 50 file.txt

cut

• displays a certain part of a line in a file

Usage

```
cut + option + filepath
```

Examples

- Extract the first column:
 - cut -f1 file.txt
- Extract characters 1 to 5:
 - cut -c1-5 file.txt
- Extract fields separated by a delimiter:
- cut -d':' -f1 /etc/passwd

sort

• sorts contents of a file

Usage

```
sort + option + filepath
```

Examples

- Sort file alphabetically:
 - sort file.txt
- Sort file numerically:
 - sort -n file.txt
- Remove duplicates while sorting:
 - sort -u file.txt

WC

• displays number of lines, characters, and bytes in a file

Usage

```
wc + option + filepath
```

Examples

• Count lines, words, and characters:

```
• wc file.txt
```

• Count only words:

```
• wc -w file.txt
```

• Count only lines:

```
• wc -l file.txt
```

tr

• Translates or deletes characters

Usage

```
tr + option + ``
```

Examples

• Replace spaces with tabs:

```
• tr ' ' '\t' < file.txt
```

• Delete vowels:

```
• tr -d 'aeiou' < file.txt
```

• Convert lowercase to uppercase:

```
• tr 'a-z' 'A-Z' < file.txt
```

diff

• displays differences between two files

Usage

```
diff + option + file 1 + file 2
```

Examples

- Compare two files:
- diff file1.txt file2.txt
- Display side-by-side differences:
 - diff -y file1.txt file2.txt

grep

• searches for specified text in a file

Usage

```
grep + option + word + filepath
```

Examples

- Search for a word:
 - grep 'word' file.txt
- Case-insensitive search:
 - grep -i 'word' file.txt
- Count occurrences of a word:
 - grep -c 'word' file.txt