echo -- write arguments to the standard output

SYNOPSIS

echo [-n] [string ...]

DESCRIPTION

The echo utility writes any specified operands, separated by single blank

(` ') characters and followed by a newline (`\n') character, to the stan-

dard output.

The following option is available:

-n Do not print the trailing newline character. This may also be

achieved by appending `\c' to the end of the string, as is done by

iBCS2 compatible systems. Note that this option as well as the

effect of `\c' are implementation-defined in IEEE Std 1003.1-2001

(``POSIX.1'') as amended by Cor. 1-2002. Applications aiming for

maximum portability are strongly encouraged to use printf(1) to

suppress the newline character.

Some shells may provide a builtin echo command which is similar or iden-

tical to this utility. Most notably, the builtin echo in sh(1) does not

accept the -n option. Consult the builtin(1) manual page.

EXIT STATUS

The echo utility exits 0 on success, and >0 if an error occurs.

SEE ALSO

builtin(1), csh(1), printf(1), sh(1)

STANDARDS

The echo utility conforms to IEEE Std 1003.1-2001 (``POSIX.1'') as

amended by Cor. 1-2002.