

**NAME**

tfmtodit – create font files for use with groff –Tdvi

**SYNOPSIS**

**tfmtodit** [-s] [-g *gf\_file*] [-k *skewchar*] *tfm\_file* *map\_file* *font*

**tfmtodit** --help

**tfmtodit** -v

**tfmtodit** --version

**DESCRIPTION**

**tfmtodit** creates a font file for use with **groff –Tdvi**. *tfm\_file* is the name of the T<sub>E</sub>X font metric file for the font. *map\_file* is a file giving the groff names for characters in the font; this file should consist of a sequence of lines of the form:

```
n c1 c2 ...
```

where *n* is a decimal integer giving the position of the character in the font, and *c1*, *c2*,... are the groff names of the character. If a character has no groff names but exists in the tfm file, then it will be put in the groff font file as an unnamed character. *font* is the name of the groff font file. The groff font file is written to *font*.

The **-s** option should be given if the font is special (a font is *special* if **troff** should search it whenever a character is not found in the current font.) If the font is special, it should be listed in the **fonts** command in the DESC file; if it is not special, there is no need to list it, since **troff** can automatically mount it when it's first used.

To do a good job of math typesetting, groff requires font metric information not present in the tfm file. The reason for this is that T<sub>E</sub>X has separate math italic fonts whereas groff uses normal italic fonts for math. The additional information required by groff is given by the two arguments to the **math\_fit** macro in the Metafont programs for the Computer Modern fonts. In a text font (a font for which **math\_fitting** is false), Metafont normally ignores these two arguments. Metafont can be made to put this information in the gf file by loading the following definition after **cmbase** when creating *cm.base*:

```
def ignore_math_fit(expr left_adjustment,right_adjustment) =
  special "adjustment";
  numspecial left_adjustment*16/designsize;
  numspecial right_adjustment*16/designsize;
enddef;
```

For the EC font family, load the following definition after **exbase** (it is probably easiest to patch *exbase.mf* locally):

```
def ignore_math_fit(expr left_adjustment,right_adjustment) =
  ori_special "adjustment";
  ori_numspecial left_adjustment*16/designsize;
  ori_numspecial right_adjustment*16/designsize;
enddef;
```

The gf file created using this modified *cm.base* or *exbase* should be specified with the **-g** option. The **-g** option should not be given for a font for which **math\_fitting** is true.

**OPTIONS**

Whitespace is permitted between a command-line option and its argument.

**-v** Print the version number.

**-s** The font is special. The effect of this option is to add the **special** command to the font file.

**-kn** The skewchar of this font is at position *n*. *n* should be an integer; it may be given in decimal, or with a leading **0** in octal, or with a leading **0x** in hexadecimal. The effect of this option is to ignore any kerns whose second component is the specified character.

**-*gf\_file***

*gf\_file* is a gf file produced by Metafont containing special and numspecial commands giving additional font metric information.

## FILES

*/usr/share/groff/1.22.4/font/devdvi/DESC*

Device description file.

*/usr/share/groff/1.22.4/font/devdvi/F*

Font description file for font *F*.

## SEE ALSO

**groff(1)**, **grodvi(1)**, **groff\_font(5)**