

NAME

head – output the first part of files

SYNOPSIS

head [*OPTION*]... [*FILE*]...

DESCRIPTION

Print the first 10 lines of each *FILE* to standard output. With more than one *FILE*, precede each with a header giving the file name.

With no *FILE*, or when *FILE* is –, read standard input.

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

-c, --bytes=[-]*NUM*

print the first *NUM* bytes of each file; with the leading '-', print all but the last *NUM* bytes of each file

-n, --lines=[-]*NUM*

print the first *NUM* lines instead of the first 10; with the leading '-', print all but the last *NUM* lines of each file

-q, --quiet, --silent

never print headers giving file names

-v, --verbose

always print headers giving file names

-z, --zero-terminated

line delimiter is NUL, not newline

--help display this help and exit

--version

output version information and exit

NUM may have a multiplier suffix: b 512, kB 1000, K 1024, MB 1000*1000, M 1024*1024, GB 1000*1000*1000, G 1024*1024*1024, and so on for T, P, E, Z, Y. Binary prefixes can be used, too: KiB=K, MiB=M, and so on.

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tail(1)

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