

Introduction to **Bash**

Text Editors, Process and Redirection

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Review

We have already talk about the terminal and some of its uses.

What have we learned?

- *Differences between GUI and CLI*
- *Some instructions such as*
 - *more*
 - *less*
 - *cat*
 - *cd*
 - *cp*
 - *ls*
 - *wc*
 - *pwd*

Do you remember how to use them?

First, you should open `Binder` , a new link is available on our repository

github.com/jmsevillam/Herramientas-Computacionales-UniAndes
(<https://github.com/jmsevillam/Herramientas-Computacionales-UniAndes>).

There you will find installed the packages we are going to use during the classes.

After that, open a `terminal` window.

Last class, we created a small file, by using the operator `>` ,

Question

What is the difference between `>` and `>>` .

let us explore it

Let us create a file by using > as we have already done,

```
In [1]: echo this is a test > test.txt
```

We learned that now on the file there must be saved `this is a test`, try to view the content

```
In [2]: cat test.txt
```

```
this is a test
```

But, what if we want to add a new line,

```
In [3]: echo this is a new test > test.txt
```

Again, we can see the file

```
In [4]: cat test.txt
```

```
this is a new test
```

The second instruction erased the first one, that wasn't what we wanted, let's do it different

Let's remove the file, just in order to be sure we are creating a new one

```
In [5]: rm test.txt
```

Again, we can start in the same way we did before

```
In [6]: echo this is a test > test.txt
```

we can open the file

```
In [7]: cat test.txt
```

```
this is a test
```

if we use >> instead of >

```
In [8]: echo this is a new test >> test.txt
```

and print the result

```
In [10]: cat test.txt
```

```
this is a test  
this is a new test
```


Conclusions

The use of `>` and `>>` depends strongly on what we want to do.

`>` replaces the content of a file, if doesn't exist, creates it. `>>` Adds a new line of the file.

This process is called **Redirection**.

Some times we may be interested on doing a bigger file, and using a line by line addition is not the best option, there are some programs which can help us to make this task easier.

Right now, there are may of these programs, some of the most used are

>

- *vi*
- *vim*
- *emacs*
- *nano* try them.

```
In [19]: man vim
```

VIM(1)

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NAME

vim - Vi IMproved, a programmer's text editor

SYNOPSIS

```
vim [options] [file ..]
vim [options] -
vim [options] -t tag
vim [options] -q [errorfile]
```

```
ex
view
gvim gview evim eview
rvim rview rgvim rgview
```

DESCRIPTION

Vim is a text editor that is upwards compatible to Vi. It can be used to edit all kinds of plain text. It is especially useful for editing programs.

There are a lot of enhancements above Vi: multi level undo, multi windows and buffers, syntax highlighting, command line editing, filename completion, on-line help, visual selection, etc.. See ":help vi_diff.txt" for a summary of the differences between Vim and Vi.

While running Vim a lot of help can be obtained from the on-line help system, with the ":help" command. See the ON-LINE HELP section below.

Most often Vim is started to edit a single file with the command

```
vim file
```

More generally Vim is started with:

```
vim [options] [filelist]
```

If the filelist is missing, the editor will start with an empty buffer. Otherwise exactly one out of the following four may be used to choose one or more files to be edited.

file .. A list of filenames. The first one will be the current file and read into the buffer. The cursor will be positioned on the first line of the buffer. You can get to the other files with the ":next" command. To edit a file that starts with a dash, precede the filelist with "--".

- The file to edit is read from stdin. Commands are read from stderr, which should be a tty.

-t {tag} The file to edit and the initial cursor position depends on a "tag", a sort of goto label. {tag} is looked up in the tags file, the associated file becomes the current file and the associated command is executed. Mostly this is used for C programs, in which case {tag} could be a function name. The effect is that the file containing that function becomes the current file and the cursor is positioned on the start of the function. See ":help tag-commands".

-q [errorfile]

Start in quickFix mode. The file [errorfile] is read and the first error is displayed. If [errorfile] is omitted, the filename is obtained from the 'errorfile' option (defaults to "AztecC.Err" for the Amiga, "errors.err" on other systems). Further errors can be jumped to with the ":cn" command. See ":help quickfix".

Vim behaves differently, depending on the name of the command (the executable may still be the same file).

vim The "normal" way, everything is default.

ex Start in Ex mode. Go to Normal mode with the ":vi" command.
Can also be done with the "-e" argument.

view Start in read-only mode. You will be protected from writing
the files. Can also be done with the "-R" argument.

gvim gview The GUI version. Starts a new window. Can also be done with
the "-g" argument.

evim evview The GUI version in easy mode. Starts a new window. Can also
be done with the "-y" argument.

rvim rview rgvim rgview
Like the above, but with restrictions. It will not be possible to start shell commands, or suspend Vim. Can also be done with the "-Z" argument.

OPTIONS

The options may be given in any order, before or after filenames. Options without an argument can be combined after a single dash.

+**[num]** For the first file the cursor will be positioned on line "num". If "num" is missing, the cursor will be positioned on the last line.

+/**{pat}** For the first file the cursor will be positioned in the line with the first occurrence of {pat}. See ":help search-pattern" for the available search patterns.

+**{command}**

-**c {command}**
 {command} will be executed after the first file has been read. {command} is interpreted as an Ex command. If the

{command} contains spaces it must be enclosed in double quotes (this depends on the shell that is used). Example:
Vim "+set si" main.c
Note: You can use up to 10 "+" or "-c" commands.

-S {file} {file} will be sourced after the first file has been read. This is equivalent to -c "source {file}". {file} cannot start with '-'. If {file} is omitted "Session.vim" is used (only works when -S is the last argument).

--cmd {command}
Like using "-c", but the command is executed just before processing any vimrc file. You can use up to 10 of these commands, independently from "-c" commands.

-A If Vim has been compiled with ARABIC support for editing right-to-left oriented files and Arabic keyboard mapping, this option starts Vim in Arabic mode, i.e. 'arabic' is set. Otherwise an error message is given and Vim aborts.

-b Binary mode. A few options will be set that makes it possible to edit a binary or executable file.

-C Compatible. Set the 'compatible' option. This will make Vim behave mostly like Vi, even though a .vimrc file exists.

-d Start in diff mode. There should be two, three or four file name arguments. Vim will open all the files and show differences between them. Works like vimdiff(1).

-d {device} Open {device} for use as a terminal. Only on the Amiga. Example: "-d con:20/30/600/150".

-D Debugging. Go to debugging mode when executing the first command from a script.

-e Start Vim in Ex mode, just like the executable was called

"ex".

- E Start Vim in improved Ex mode, just like the executable was called "exim".
- f Foreground. For the GUI version, Vim will not fork and detach from the shell it was started in. On the Amiga, Vim is not restarted to open a new window. This option should be used when Vim is executed by a program that will wait for the edit session to finish (e.g. mail). On the Amiga the ":sh" and ":@" commands will not work.
- nofork Foreground. For the GUI version, Vim will not fork and detach from the shell it was started in.
- F If Vim has been compiled with FKMAP support for editing right-to-left oriented files and Farsi keyboard mapping, this option starts Vim in Farsi mode, i.e. 'fkmap' and 'rightleft' are set. Otherwise an error message is given and Vim aborts.
- g If Vim has been compiled with GUI support, this option enables the GUI. If no GUI support was compiled in, an error message is given and Vim aborts.
- h Give a bit of help about the command line arguments and options. After this Vim exits.
- H If Vim has been compiled with RIGHTLEFT support for editing right-to-left oriented files and Hebrew keyboard mapping, this option starts Vim in Hebrew mode, i.e. 'hkmap' and 'rightleft' are set. Otherwise an error message is given and Vim aborts.
- i {viminfo}
When using the viminfo file is enabled, this option sets the filename to use, instead of the default "~/.viminfo". This can also be used to skip the use of the .viminfo file,

by giving the name "NONE".

- L Same as -r.
- l Lisp mode. Sets the 'lisp' and 'showmatch' options on.
- m Modifying files is disabled. Resets the 'write' option. You can still modify the buffer, but writing a file is not possible.
- M Modifications not allowed. The 'modifiable' and 'write' options will be unset, so that changes are not allowed and files can not be written. Note that these options can be set to enable making modifications.
- N No-compatible mode. Reset the 'compatible' option. This will make Vim behave a bit better, but less Vi compatible, even though a .vimrc file does not exist.
- n No swap file will be used. Recovery after a crash will be impossible. Handy if you want to edit a file on a very slow medium (e.g. floppy). Can also be done with ":set uc=0". Can be undone with ":set uc=200".
- nb Become an editor server for NetBeans. See the docs for details.
- o[N] Open N windows stacked. When N is omitted, open one window for each file.
- O[N] Open N windows side by side. When N is omitted, open one window for each file.
- p[N] Open N tab pages. When N is omitted, open one tab page for each file.
- R Read-only mode. The 'readonly' option will be set. You can still edit the buffer, but will be prevented from acci-

dentially overwriting a file. If you do want to overwrite a file, add an exclamation mark to the Ex command, as in ":w!". The -R option also implies the -n option (see above). The 'readonly' option can be reset with ":set noro". See ":help 'readonly'".

- r List swap files, with information about using them for recovery.
- r {file} Recovery mode. The swap file is used to recover a crashed editing session. The swap file is a file with the same filename as the text file with ".swp" appended. See ":help recovery".
- s Silent mode. Only when started as "Ex" or when the "-e" option was given before the "-s" option.
- s {scriptin} The script file {scriptin} is read. The characters in the file are interpreted as if you had typed them. The same can be done with the command ":source! {scriptin}". If the end of the file is reached before the editor exits, further characters are read from the keyboard.
- T {terminal} Tells Vim the name of the terminal you are using. Only required when the automatic way doesn't work. Should be a terminal known to Vim (builtin) or defined in the termcap or terminfo file.
- u {vimrc} Use the commands in the file {vimrc} for initializations. All the other initializations are skipped. Use this to edit a special kind of files. It can also be used to skip all initializations by giving the name "NONE". See ":help initialization" within vim for more details.
- U {gvimrc} Use the commands in the file {gvimrc} for GUI initializations. All the other GUI initializations are skipped. It

can also be used to skip all GUI initializations by giving the name "NONE". See ":help gui-init" within vim for more details.

- V[N] Verbose. Give messages about which files are sourced and for reading and writing a viminfo file. The optional number N is the value for 'verbose'. Default is 10.
- v Start Vim in Vi mode, just like the executable was called "vi". This only has effect when the executable is called "ex".
- w {scriptout} All the characters that you type are recorded in the file {scriptout}, until you exit Vim. This is useful if you want to create a script file to be used with "vim -s" or ":source!". If the {scriptout} file exists, characters are appended.
- W {scriptout} Like -w, but an existing file is overwritten.
- x Use encryption when writing files. Will prompt for a crypt key.
- X Don't connect to the X server. Shortens startup time in a terminal, but the window title and clipboard will not be used.
- y Start Vim in easy mode, just like the executable was called "evim" or "eview". Makes Vim behave like a click-and-type editor.
- Z Restricted mode. Works like the executable starts with "r".
- Denotes the end of the options. Arguments after this will be handled as a file name. This can be used to edit a

filename that starts with a '-'.

--echo-wid GTK GUI only: Echo the Window ID on stdout.

--help Give a help message and exit, just like "-h".

--literal Take file name arguments literally, do not expand wildcards. This has no effect on Unix where the shell expands wildcards.

--noplugin Skip loading plugins. Implied by -u NONE.

--remote Connect to a Vim server and make it edit the files given in the rest of the arguments. If no server is found a warning is given and the files are edited in the current Vim.

--remote-expr {expr}
 Connect to a Vim server, evaluate {expr} in it and print the result on stdout.

--remote-send {keys}
 Connect to a Vim server and send {keys} to it.

--remote-silent
 As --remote, but without the warning when no server is found.

--remote-wait
 As --remote, but Vim does not exit until the files have been edited.

--remote-wait-silent
 As --remote-wait, but without the warning when no server is found.

--serverlist
 List the names of all Vim servers that can be found.

--servername {name}
Use {name} as the server name. Used for the current Vim,
unless used with a --remote argument, then it's the name of
the server to connect to.

--socketid {id}
GTK GUI only: Use the GtkPlug mechanism to run gvim in
another window.

--version Print version information and exit.

ON-LINE HELP

Type ":help" in Vim to get started. Type ":help subject" to get help
on a specific subject. For example: ":help ZZ" to get help for the
"ZZ" command. Use <Tab> and CTRL-D to complete subjects (":help cmd-
line-completion"). Tags are present to jump from one place to another
(sort of hypertext links, see ":help"). All documentation files can be
viewed in this way, for example ":help syntax.txt".

FILES

/usr/local/lib/vim/doc/*.txt
The Vim documentation files. Use ":help doc-file-list"
to get the complete list.

/usr/local/lib/vim/doc/tags
The tags file used for finding information in the docu-
mentation files.

/usr/local/lib/vim/syntax/syntax.vim
System wide syntax initializations.

/usr/local/lib/vim/syntax/*.vim
Syntax files for various languages.

/usr/local/lib/vim/vimrc
System wide Vim initializations.

~/.vimrc Your personal Vim initializations.

/usr/local/lib/vim/gvimrc
System wide gvim initializations.

~/.gvimrc Your personal gvim initializations.

/usr/local/lib/vim/optwin.vim
Script used for the ":options" command, a nice way to
view and set options.

/usr/local/lib/vim/menu.vim
System wide menu initializations for gvim.

/usr/local/lib/vim/bugreport.vim
Script to generate a bug report. See ":help bugs".

/usr/local/lib/vim/filetype.vim
Script to detect the type of a file by its name. See
":help 'filetype'".

/usr/local/lib/vim/scripts.vim
Script to detect the type of a file by its contents.
See ":help 'filetype'".

/usr/local/lib/vim/print/*.ps
Files used for PostScript printing.

For recent info read the VIM home page:
<URL:<http://www.vim.org/>>

SEE ALSO

vimtutor(1)

AUTHOR

Most of Vim was made by Bram Moolenaar, with a lot of help from others.
See ":help credits" in Vim.

Vim is based on Stevie, worked on by: Tim Thompson, Tony Andrews and
G.R. (Fred) Walter. Although hardly any of the original code remains.

BUGS

Probably. See `:help todo` for a list of known problems.

Note that a number of things that may be regarded as bugs by some, are in fact caused by a too-faithful reproduction of Vi's behaviour. And if you think other things are bugs "because Vi does it differently", you should take a closer look at the `vi_diff.txt` file (or type `:help vi_diff.txt` when in Vim). Also have a look at the `'compatible'` and `'coptions'` options.

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VIM(1)

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In [15]: man emacs
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EMACS(1)
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NAME

emacs - GNU project Emacs

SYNOPSIS

emacs [command-line switches] [files ...]

DESCRIPTION

GNU Emacs is a version of Emacs, written by the author of the original (PDP-10) Emacs, Richard Stallman.

The primary documentation of GNU Emacs is in the GNU Emacs Manual, which you can read using Info, either from Emacs or as a standalone program. Please look there for complete and up-to-date documentation. This man page is updated only when someone volunteers to do so; the Emacs maintainers' priority goal is to minimize the amount of time this man page takes away from other more useful projects.

The user functionality of GNU Emacs encompasses everything other Emacs editors do, and it is easily extensible since its editing commands are written in Lisp.

Emacs has an extensive interactive help facility, but the facility assumes that you know how to manipulate Emacs windows and buffers. CTRL-h or F1 enters the Help facility. Help Tutorial (CTRL-h t) starts an interactive tutorial which can teach beginners the fundamentals of Emacs in a few minutes. Help Apropos (CTRL-h a) helps you find a command given its functionality, Help Character (CTRL-h c) describes a given character's effect, and Help Function (CTRL-h f) describes a given Lisp function specified by name.

Emacs's Undo can undo several steps of modification to your buffers, so it is easy to recover from editing mistakes.

GNU Emacs's many special packages handle mail reading (RMail) and sending (Mail), outline editing (Outline), compiling (Compile), running subshells within Emacs windows (Shell), running a Lisp read-eval-print loop (Lisp-Interaction-Mode), automated psychotherapy (Doctor), and much more.

There is an extensive reference manual, but users of other Emacses should have little trouble adapting even without a copy. Users new to Emacs will be able to use basic features fairly rapidly by studying the tutorial and using the self-documentation features.

Emacs Options

The following options are of general interest:

file Edit file.

+number Go to the line specified by number (do not insert a space between the "+" sign and the number). This applies only to the next file specified.

+line:column
Go to the specified line and column

-q Do not load an init file.

-no-site-file
Do not load the site-wide startup file.

-debug-init
Enable Emacs Lisp debugger during the processing of the user init file ~/.emacs. This is useful for debugging problems in the init file.

-u user Load user's init file.

-t file Use specified file as the terminal instead of using stdin/std-

out. This must be the first argument specified in the command line.

`-version`

Display Emacs version information and exit.

The following options are lisp-oriented (these options are processed in the order encountered):

`-f function`

Execute the lisp function function.

`-l file` Load the lisp code in the file file.

`-eval expr`

Evaluate the Lisp expression expr.

The following options are useful when running Emacs as a batch editor:

`-batch` Edit in batch mode. The editor will send messages to stderr. This option must be the first in the argument list. You must use `-l` and `-f` options to specify files to execute and functions to call.

`-kill` Exit Emacs while in batch mode.

`-L directory`

Add directory to the list of directories Emacs searches for Lisp files.

Using Emacs with X

Emacs has been tailored to work well with the X window system. If you run Emacs from under X windows, it will create its own X window to display in. You will probably want to start the editor as a background process so that you can continue using your original window.

Emacs can be started with the following X switches:

`-name name`

Specifies the name which should be assigned to the initial Emacs window. This controls looking up X resources as well as the window title.

`-title name`

Specifies the title for the initial X window.

`-r`

Display the Emacs window in reverse video.

`-font font, -fn font`

Set the Emacs window's font to that specified by font. You will find the various X fonts in the `/usr/lib/X11/fonts` directory. Note that Emacs will only accept fixed width fonts. Under the X11 Release 4 font-naming conventions, any font with the value "m" or "c" in the eleventh field of the font name is a fixed width font. Furthermore, fonts whose name are of the form `widthxheight` are generally fixed width, as is the font `fixed`. See `xlsfonts(1)` for more information.

When you specify a font, be sure to put a space between the switch and the font name.

`-bw pixels`

Set the Emacs window's border width to the number of pixels specified by pixels. Defaults to one pixel on each side of the window.

`-ib pixels`

Set the window's internal border width to the number of pixels specified by pixels. Defaults to one pixel of padding on each side of the window.

`--geometry geometry`

Set the Emacs window's width, height, and position as specified. The geometry specification is in the standard X format;

see X(1) for more information. The width and height are specified in characters; the default is 80 by 24. See the Emacs manual, section "Options for Window Size and Position", for information on how window sizes interact with selecting or deselecting the tool bar and menu bar.

`-fg color`

On color displays, sets the color of the text.

Use the command `M-x list-colors-display` for a list of valid color names.

`-bg color`

On color displays, sets the color of the window's background.

`-bd color`

On color displays, sets the color of the window's border.

`-cr color`

On color displays, sets the color of the window's text cursor.

`-ms color`

On color displays, sets the color of the window's mouse cursor.

`-d displayname, -display displayname`

Create the Emacs window on the display specified by `displayname`. Must be the first option specified in the command line.

`-nw`

Tells Emacs not to use its special interface to X. If you use this switch when invoking Emacs from an `xterm(1)` window, display is done in that window.

You can set X default values for your Emacs windows in your `.Xresources` file (see `xrdb(1)`). Use the following format:

`emacs.keyword:value`

where value specifies the default value of keyword. Emacs lets you set default values for the following keywords:

font (class Font)

Sets the window's text font.

reverseVideo (class ReverseVideo)

If reverseVideo's value is set to on, the window will be displayed in reverse video.

bitmapIcon (class BitmapIcon)

If bitmapIcon's value is set to on, the window will iconify into the "kitchen sink."

borderWidth (class BorderWidth)

Sets the window's border width in pixels.

internalBorder (class BorderWidth)

Sets the window's internal border width in pixels.

foreground (class Foreground)

For color displays, sets the window's text color.

background (class Background)

For color displays, sets the window's background color.

borderColor (class BorderColor)

For color displays, sets the color of the window's border.

cursorColor (class Foreground)

For color displays, sets the color of the window's text cursor.

pointerColor (class Foreground)

For color displays, sets the color of the window's mouse cursor.

geometry (class Geometry)

Sets the geometry of the Emacs window (as described above).

title (class Title)
Sets the title of the Emacs window.

iconName (class Title)
Sets the icon name for the Emacs window icon.

If you try to set color values while using a black and white display, the window's characteristics will default as follows: the foreground color will be set to black, the background color will be set to white, the border color will be set to grey, and the text and mouse cursors will be set to black.

Using the Mouse

The following lists the mouse button bindings for the Emacs window under X11.

MOUSE BUTTON	FUNCTION
left	Set point.
middle	Paste text.
right	Cut text into X cut buffer.
SHIFT-middle	Cut text into X cut buffer.
SHIFT-right	Paste text.
CTRL-middle	Cut text into X cut buffer and kill it.
CTRL-right	Select this window, then split it into two window
s.	
	Same as typing CTRL-x 2.
CTRL-SHIFT-left	X buffer menu -- hold the buttons and keys down, wa
it	
	for menu to appear, select buffer, and release. Mo
ve	
	mouse out of menu and release to cancel.
CTRL-SHIFT-middle	X help menu -- pop up index card menu for Emacs hel
p.	
CTRL-SHIFT-right	Select window with mouse, and delete all other wi
n-	

dows. Same as typing CTRL-x 1.

MANUALS

You can order printed copies of the GNU Emacs Manual from the Free Software Foundation, which develops GNU software. See the file ORDERS for ordering information.

Your local Emacs maintainer might also have copies available. As with all software and publications from FSF, everyone is permitted to make and distribute copies of the Emacs manual. The TeX source to the manual is also included in the Emacs source distribution.

FILES

/usr/local/share/info - files for the Info documentation browser. The complete text of the Emacs reference manual is included in a convenient tree structured form. Also includes the Emacs Lisp Reference Manual, useful to anyone wishing to write programs in the Emacs Lisp extension language.

/usr/local/share/emacs/\$VERSION/lisp - Lisp source files and compiled files that define most editing commands. Some are preloaded; others are autoloaded from this directory when used.

/usr/local/libexec/emacs/\$VERSION/\$ARCH - various programs that are used with GNU Emacs.

/usr/local/share/emacs/\$VERSION/etc - various files of information.

/usr/local/share/emacs/\$VERSION/etc/DOC.* - contains the documentation strings for the Lisp primitives and preloaded Lisp functions of GNU Emacs. They are stored here to reduce the size of Emacs proper.

/usr/local/share/emacs/\$VERSION/etc/SERVICE lists people offering various services to assist users of GNU Emacs, including education, troubleshooting, porting and customization.

BUGS

There is a mailing list, `bug-gnu-emacs@gnu.org`, for reporting Emacs bugs and fixes. But before reporting something as a bug, please try to be sure that it really is a bug, not a misunderstanding or a deliberate feature. We ask you to read the section ``Reporting Emacs Bugs'' near the end of the reference manual (or Info system) for hints on how and when to report bugs. Also, include the version number of the Emacs you are running in every bug report that you send in.

Do not expect a personal answer to a bug report. The purpose of reporting bugs is to get them fixed for everyone in the next release, if possible. For personal assistance, look in the `SERVICE` file (see above) for a list of people who offer it.

Please do not send anything but bug reports to this mailing list. For more information about Emacs mailing lists, see the file `/usr/local/emacs/etc/MAILINGLISTS`. Bugs tend actually to be fixed if they can be isolated, so it is in your interest to report them in such a way that they can be easily reproduced.

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SEE ALSO

emacsclient(1), etags(1), X(1), xlsfonts(1), xterm(1), xrdb(1)

AUTHORS

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In [16]: man nano
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NANO(1)

NAME

nano - Nano's ANOther editor, an enhanced free Pico clone

SYNOPSIS

nano [options] [[+line[,column]] file]...

DESCRIPTION

nano is a small and friendly editor. It copies the look and feel of Pico, but is free software, and implements several features that Pico lacks, such as: opening multiple files, scrolling per line, undo/redo, syntax coloring, line numbering, and soft-wrapping overlong lines.

When giving a filename on the command line, the cursor can be put on a specific line by adding the line number with a plus sign (+) before the filename, and even in a specific column by adding it with a comma.

As a special case: if instead of a filename a dash (-) is given, nano will read data from standard input.

EDITING

Entering text and moving around in a file is straightforward: typing the letters and using the normal cursor movement keys. Commands are entered by using the Control (^) and the Alt or Meta (M-) keys. Typing ^K deletes the current line and puts it in the cutbuffer. Consecutive ^Ks will put all deleted lines together in the cutbuffer. Any cursor movement or executing any other command will cause the next ^K to overwrite the cutbuffer. A ^U will paste the current contents of the cut-

buffer at the current cursor position.

When a more precise piece of text needs to be cut or copied, one can mark its start with ^6, move the cursor to its end (the marked text will be highlighted), and then use ^K to cut it, or M-6 to copy it to the cutbuffer. One can also save the marked text to a file with ^O, or spell check it with ^T.

On some terminals, text can be selected also by holding down Shift while using the arrow keys. Holding down the Ctrl or Alt key too will increase the stride. Any cursor movement without Shift being held will cancel such a selection.

The two lines at the bottom of the screen show some important commands; the built-in help (^G) lists all the available ones. The default key bindings can be changed via a nanorc file -- see nanorc(5).

OPTIONS

-A, --smarthome

Make the Home key smarter. When Home is pressed anywhere but at the very beginning of non-whitespace characters on a line, the cursor will jump to that beginning (either forwards or backwards). If the cursor is already at that position, it will jump to the true beginning of the line.

-B, --backup

When saving a file, back up the previous version of it, using the current filename suffixed with a tilde (~).

-C directory, --backupdir=directory

Make and keep not just one backup file, but make and keep a uniquely numbered one every time a file is saved -- when backups are enabled (-B). The uniquely numbered files are stored in the specified directory.

-D, --boldtext

Use bold text instead of reverse video text.

- E, --tabstospaces
Convert typed tabs to spaces.
- F, --multibuffer
Read a file into a new buffer by default.
- G, --locking
Use vim-style file locking when editing files.
- H, --historylog
Save the last hundred search strings and replacement strings and executed commands, so they can be easily reused in later sessions.
- I, --ignorercfiles
Don't look at the system's nanorc nor at the user's nanorc.
- K, --rebindkeypad
Interpret the numeric keypad keys so that they all work properly. You should only need to use this option if they don't, as mouse support won't work properly with this option enabled.
- L, --nonewlines
Don't automatically add a newline when a file does not end with one.
- M, --trimblanks
Snip trailing whitespace from the wrapped line when automatic hard-wrapping occurs or when text is justified.
- N, --noconvert
Disable automatic conversion of files from DOS/Mac format.
- O, --morespace
Use the blank line below the title bar as extra editing space.
- P, --positionlog

For the 200 most recent files, log the last position of the cursor, and place it at that position again upon reopening such a file.

-Q "regex", --quotestr="regex"

Set the regular expression for matching the quoting part of a line. This is used when justifying. The default value is `"^([\t]*([#:>|}]|//))+"`. Note that `\t` stands for an actual Tab.

-R, --restricted

Restricted mode: don't read or write to any file not specified on the command line. This means: don't read or write history files; don't allow suspending; don't allow spell checking; don't allow a file to be appended to, prepended to, or saved under a different name if it already has one; and don't make backup files. Restricted mode can also be activated by invoking nano with any name beginning with 'r' (e.g. "rnano").

-S, --smooth

Use smooth scrolling: text will scroll line-by-line, instead of the usual chunk-by-chunk behavior.

-T number, --tabsize=number

Set the size (width) of a tab to number columns. The value of number must be greater than 0. The default value is 8.

-U, --quickblank

Do quick status-bar blanking: status-bar messages will disappear after 1 keystroke instead of 25. Note that option `-c (--constantshow)` overrides this.

-V, --version

Show the current version number and exit.

-W, --wordbounds

Detect word boundaries differently by treating punctuation characters as part of a word.

- X "characters", --wordchars="characters"
Specify which other characters (besides the normal alphanumeric ones) should be considered as part of a word. This overrides option -W (--wordbounds).
- Y name, --syntax=name
Specify the name of the syntax highlighting to use from among the ones defined in the nanorc files.
- Z, --zap
Let an unmodified Backspace or Delete erase the marked region (instead of a single character, and without affecting the cut-buffer).
- a, --atblanks
When doing soft line wrapping, wrap lines at whitespace instead of always at the edge of the screen.
- c, --constantshow
Constantly show the cursor position on the status bar. Note that this overrides option -U (--quickblank).
- d, --rebinddelete
Interpret the Delete key differently so that both Backspace and Delete work properly. You should only need to use this option if Backspace acts like Delete on your system.
- g, --showcursor
Make the cursor visible in the file browser (putting it on the highlighted item) and in the help viewer. Useful for braille users and people with poor vision.
- h, --help
Show a summary of the available command-line options and exit.
- i, --autoindent
Automatically indent a newly created line to the same number of

tabs and/or spaces as the previous line (or as the next line if the previous line is the beginning of a paragraph).

-k, --cutfromcursor

Make the 'Cut Text' command (normally ^K) cut from the current cursor position to the end of the line, instead of cutting the entire line.

-l, --linenumbers

Display line numbers to the left of the text area.

-m, --mouse

Enable mouse support, if available for your system. When enabled, mouse clicks can be used to place the cursor, set the mark (with a double click), and execute shortcuts. The mouse will work in the X Window System, and on the console when gpm is running. Text can still be selected through dragging by holding down the Shift key.

-n, --noread

Treat any name given on the command line as a new file. This allows nano to write to named pipes: it will start with a blank buffer, and will write to the pipe when the user saves the "file". This way nano can be used as an editor in combination with for instance gpg without having to write sensitive data to disk first.

-o directory, --operatingdir=directory

Set the operating directory. This makes nano set up something similar to a chroot.

-p, --preserve

Preserve the XON and XOFF sequences (^Q and ^S) so they will be caught by the terminal.

-q, --quiet

Obsolete option. Recognized but ignored.

`-r number, --fill=number`
Hard-wrap lines at column number. If this value is 0 or less, wrapping will occur at the width of the screen less number columns, allowing the wrap point to vary along with the width of the screen if the screen is resized. The default value is -8. This option conflicts with `-w (--nowrap)` -- the last one given takes effect.

`-s program, --speller=program`
Use this alternative spell checker command.

`-t, --tempfile`
Save a changed buffer without prompting (when exiting with ^X).

`-u, --unix`
Save a file by default in Unix format. This overrides nano's default behavior of saving a file in the format that it had. (This option has no effect when you also use `--noconvert`.)

`-v, --view`
Just view the file and disallow editing: read-only mode. This mode allows the user to open also other files for viewing, unless `--restricted` is given too.

`-w, --nowrap`
Disable the hard-wrapping of long lines. This option conflicts with `-r (--fill)` -- the last one given takes effect.

`-x, --nohelp`
Don't show the two help lines at the bottom of the screen.

`-y, --afterends`
Make Ctrl+Right stop at word ends instead of beginnings.

`-z, --suspend`
Enable the suspend ability.

`-$, --softwrap`

Enable 'soft wrapping'. This will make nano attempt to display the entire contents of any line, even if it is longer than the screen width, by continuing it over multiple screen lines. Since '\$' normally refers to a variable in the Unix shell, you should specify this option last when using other options (e.g. 'nano -wS\$') or pass it separately (e.g. 'nano -wS -\$').

-b, -e, -f, -j

Ignored, for compatibility with Pico.

TOGGLES

Several of the above options can be switched on and off also while nano is running. For example, M-L toggles the hard-wrapping of long lines, M-\$ toggles soft-wrapping, M-# toggles line numbers, M-M toggles the mouse, M-I auto-indentation, and M-X the help lines. See at the end of the ^G help text for a complete list.

INITIALIZATION FILE

nano will read two configuration files: first the system's nanorc (if it exists), and then the user's nanorc (if it exists), either ~/.nanorc or \$XDG_CONFIG_HOME/nano/nanorc or ~/.config/nano/nanorc, whichever is encountered first. See nanorc(5) for more information on the possible contents of those files.

NOTES

If no alternative spell checker command is specified on the command line nor in one of the nanorc files, nano will check the SPELL environment variable for one.

In some cases nano will try to dump the buffer into an emergency file. This will happen mainly if nano receives a SIGHUP or SIGTERM or runs out of memory. It will write the buffer into a file named nano.save if the buffer didn't have a name already, or will add a ".save" suffix to the current filename. If an emergency file with that name already exists in the current directory, it will add ".save" plus a number

(e.g. ".save.1") to the current filename in order to make it unique. In multibuffer mode, nano will write all the open buffers to their respective emergency files.

BUGS

Justifications (^J) are not yet covered by the general undo system. So after a justification that is not immediately undone, earlier edits cannot be undone any more. The workaround is, of course, to exit without saving.

The recording and playback of keyboard macros works correctly only on a terminal emulator, not on a Linux console (VT), because the latter does not by default distinguish modified from unmodified arrow keys.

Please report any other bugs that you encounter via:
<https://savannah.gnu.org/bugs/?group=nano>.

When nano crashes, it will save any modified buffers to emergency .save files. If you are able to reproduce the crash and you want to get a backtrace, define the environment variable NANO_NOCATCH.

HOMEPAGE

<https://nano-editor.org/>

SEE ALSO

nanorc(5)

/usr/share/doc/nano/ (or equivalent on your system)

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Exercise

Let's create some data using `echo` or any of the editors we have seen today.

For instance, a four word file with the following information,

<u>Name</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Career</u>
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Let's try to send this information to a file `usr.txt` where you must use your Andes email user instead of `usr`

Note Use spaces as separators!!

How can we download this data from Binder?

Send the file to `j.sevillam@uniandes.edu.co`.

(This will be counted as the assistance to the class for today.)

Why to do this?

This is done for you to see an example where `python` can be extremely usefull (We are very close to start `python`)

Let see just a few examples of its use as a motivation before working directly with it.

Next class

We are going to keep exploring the shell, but a little bit more complex, we'll see commands such as

- *grep*
- *awk*

And we will learn how to write some basic scripts.

Next, we will start talking about `python`

Remember

For the next class, you should have seen the videos 1 and 2!!

During the day, the first assignment will be uploaded. (You will receive it via Email)