

Translate-shell, translate to any language from the command line

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In the next article we are going to take a look at Translate-shell (*formerly Google Translate CLI*). This is a **translator for command line** that provides us with different translators such as **Google Translate** (default), Bing Translator, Yandex.Translate, DeepL Translator, and Apertium. This program will give us easy access to each of these translation engines from our terminal.

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Over the time on this blog, other colleagues like myself have written many articles about the CLI applications. Today we are going to talk about how to use "Google Translate" in the terminal of our Ubuntu. I use these tools many times throughout the day to **know the meanings of many concepts**, since despite managing a bit with English, on many occasions I have found myself diving in German, French or sometimes Asian forums, where it is not always written in English or another language in which I defend myself correctly.

What is Translate-shell?

translate-shell (formerly known as Google Translate CLI) is a command line translator via Google Translate (default), Bing Translator, Yandex.Translate, and Apertium. It will allow us to access one of these translation engines directly from your terminal. **Translate-shell is designed to work on most Gnu / Linux distributions.**

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How to install Translate-shell

We can install the Translate Shell application on our Ubuntu using either of the following two methods. There is a third installation method, but I have not tried it, so I do not add it to the article.

- Manual method (*Recommended*)
- Via Package Manager

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Method 1: Manual method (Recommended)

With this method we will only have to **clone Translate-shell repository**. We can find this on GitHub and compile it manually for any distribution. We will have to open a terminal (Ctrl + Alt + T) and write each of the commands shown below:

```
1 | git clone https://github.com/soimort/translate-shell && cd translate-shell
2 | make
3 | sudo make install
```

Method 2: Through Package Manager



Translate-shell is **available in some of the official repositories of the most popular distributions**. We can install it through the package manager. To perform the **installation on Debian / Ubuntu**, we will only need to use the APT-GET or APT command. We will only have to open a terminal (Ctrl + Alt + T) and write:

```
1 | sudo apt-get install translate-shell
```

How to use Translate-Shell

After successfully performing any of the possible installations, we can open the terminal and launch the program using the following command format. This tool can identify the language of the source text automatically. **By default it translates the original text into English.**

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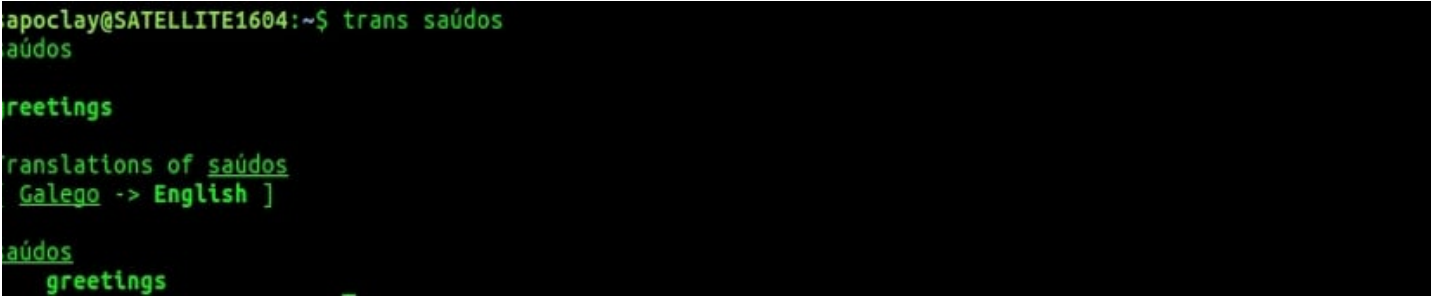
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```
1 | trans [palabras]
```

Translated into English

I will translate "*healthy*" to English. For this we will only have to write in the terminal (Ctrl + Alt + T):



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```
1 | trans saúdos
```

Select the language to translate to

We can translate a word (*in this case the same as in the previous example*) to German (e.g.) using the following command:

```
apoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans :de saúdos
saúdos
Grüße
Translations of saúdos
[Galego -> Deutsch ]
saúdos
Grüße, Gruß
```

```
1 | trans :de saúdos
```

Translate to more than one language

To translate a word into more than one language, we will be able to use the following command (*In this example, I am going to translate the word saúdos to Tamil and Hindi*):

```
apoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans :ta+hi saúdos
saúdos
வட்டக்காடி
Vāttukkaḷ)
Translations of saúdos
[Galego -> தமிழ் ]
saúdos
வட்டக்காடி, வட்டக்காடியில் வட்டக்காடியில், வட்டக்காடியில் தட்டக்காடியில், வட்டக்காடியில்
saúdos
बधू
badhaee)
Translations of saúdos
[Galego -> हिन्दी ]
saúdos
बधू, अयि वन, गर तीगिं, अयि वन क। गर तीगिं
```

```
1 | trans :ta+hi saúdos
```

Translate entire sentences

To translate a phrase, simply **use the sentence in quotes** as you can see below. The following example will translate from English to Spanish:



```

apoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans :es "what is going on your life?"
what is going on your life?

¿Qué está pasando en tu vida?

Translations of what is going on your life?
[ English -> Español ]

what is going on your life?
¿Qué está pasando en tu vida?, lo que está pasando en su vida?

```

```
1 | trans :es "what is going on your life?"
```

See simple translation

Translate-shell shows translations in detail by default. If you prefer to see only the information in simple mode, you just have to add the **-b option** in command.

```

apoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans -b :es thanks
gracias

```

```
1 | trans -b :es thanks
```

Translate in dictionary mode

Dictionary mode. To use this tool as a dictionary, simply **add -d option** to command:

```

apoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans -d :es thanks
thanks
THANKS/

gracias

Definitions of thanks
[ English -> Español ]

Synonyms
noun
- gratitude, appreciation, acknowledgment, recognition, credit

exclamation
- thank you, many thanks, thanks very much, thanks a lot, thank you kindly, much obliged, much appreciated, bless you, thanks a million

Examples
- Many thanks for your response and for your generous offer of help.
- So, even though I don't think the photos are that good, thanks for the compliments!
- He smiled back at her and acknowledged her thanks with a nod of his head.
- Gerry has received a letter of thanks from the charity for his part in helping to raise this much needed cash.
- This was a very generous response from the community and thanks are extended to all who contributed.
- His son sent a special letter of thanks which was read out at the ceremony.
- The collection, as usual, received a great response and thanks is extended to all who subscribed.
- There have been regular letters of thanks from charities and people who have been helped by unknown members of the public.
- many thanks
- To them and to those who have supported the office I extend my grateful thanks .
- Mr Hill insists he has received no recent complaints and has even been sent a letter of thanks from the forum.
- a letter of thanks
- It is a joyful celebration in which Bolivians give thanks for their freedom as a nation.
- It came back on about half an hour earlier than predicted, so I suppose I can give thanks for that.
- thanks for being so helpful
- many thanks
- I appreciate your doing so, and thanks also for the compliments about the photos!

```

```
1 | trans -d :es thanks
```

Translate a file

To translate a file we will need to indicate the path of the file to be translated. Use the following format in the terminal (Ctrl + Alt + T):

```

sapoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans :es file:///home/sapoclay/gtrans.txt
hola usuarios Este es un ejemplo de traducción de un archivo utilizando Translate-shell creado para Ubunlog.com.
el archivo ha sido creado en inglés y ha sido traducido al español utilizando Translate-shell en Ubuntu 16.04 LTS rápida y fácilmente.

```

```
1 | trans :es file:///home/sapoclay/gtrans.txt
```

Use interactive mode

To open the interactive Translate-shell we will have to **make sure we have to specify the source language and the target language before starting an interactive shell**. In this example, I am going to translate the word thanks from English to Spanish.

```
1 | trans -shell en:es thanks
```

Get the codes of the available languages

To find out the language codes that we can use, simply run the following command:

```

sapoclay@SATELLITE1604:~$ trans -T

```

Afrikaans	- af	Bahasa Indonesia	- id	سنڌي	- sd
አማርኛ	- am	Igbo	- ig	සිංහල	- si
العربية	- ar	Isleenska	- is	Slovenčina	- sk
Azərbaycanca	- az	Italiano	- it	Slovenščina	- sl
беларуская	- be	日本語	- ja	Gagana Samoa	- sm
Български	- bg	Basa Jawa	- jv	chiShona	- sn
বাংলা	- bn	ગુજરાતી	- ka	Soomaali	- so
Bosanski	- bs	Қазақ тілі	- kk	Shqip	- sq
Català	- ca	ಕನ್ನಡ	- km	српски	-sr-Cyrl
Cebuano	- ceb	ಕನ್ನಡ	- kn	srpski	-sr-Latn
Corsu	- co	한국어	- ko	Sesotho	- st
Čeština	- cs	Kurdi	- ku	Basa Sunda	- su
Cymraeg	- cy	Қырғызча	- ky	Svenska	- sv
Dansk	- da	Latina	- la	Kiswahili	- sw
Deutsch	- de	Letzebuergesch	- lb	தமிழ்	- ta
Ελληνικά	- el	ລາວ	- lo	தமிழ்	- te
English	- en	Lietuvių	- lt	Тоҷикӣ	- tg
Esperanto	- eo	Latviešu	- lv	ไทย	- th
Español	- es	Malagasy	- mg	Tagalog	- tl
Eesti	- et	Māori	- mi	tlhIngan Hol	- tlh
Euskara	- eu	Македонски	- mk	ᑭᐱᑲᐱᑲᐱᑲ	tlh-Qaak
فارسی	- fa	മലയാളം	- ml	Lea faka-Tonga	- to
Suomi	- fi	Монгол	- mn	Türkçe	- tr
Vosa Vakaviti	- fj	मराठी	- mr	татарча	- tt
Français	- fr	Bahasa Melayu	- ms	Reo Tahiti	- ty
Frysk	- fy	Malti	- mt	удмурт	- udm
Gaeilge	- ga	Hmoob Daw	- mw	Українська	- uk
Gàidhlig	- gd	ഗുജറാଟી	- gu	اردو	- ur
Galego	- gl	नेपाली	- ne	O'zbek tili	- uz
ગુજરાતી	- gu	Nederlands	- nl	Tiếng Việt	- vi
Hausa	- ha	Norsk	- no	isiXhosa	- xh
'Ōlelo Hawai'i	- haw	Nyanja	- ny	יידיש	- yi
עברית	- he	Հայերէն	- ot	Yorùbá	- yo
हिन्दी	- hi	ਪੰਜਾਬੀ	- pa	Màaya T'àan	- yua
Hmoob	- hm	Polski	- pl	粵語	- yue
Hrvatski	- hr	پښتو	- ps	简体中文	- zh-CN
Kreyòl Ayisyen	- ht	Português	- pt	正體中文	- zh-TW
Magyar	- hu	Română	- ro	isiZulu	- zu
Հայերեն	- hy	Русский	- ru		

```
1 | trans -T
```

Help

To know more options we can use the help man:

1 | man trans

We can also learn more about this tool in the [GitHub page](#) of the project.

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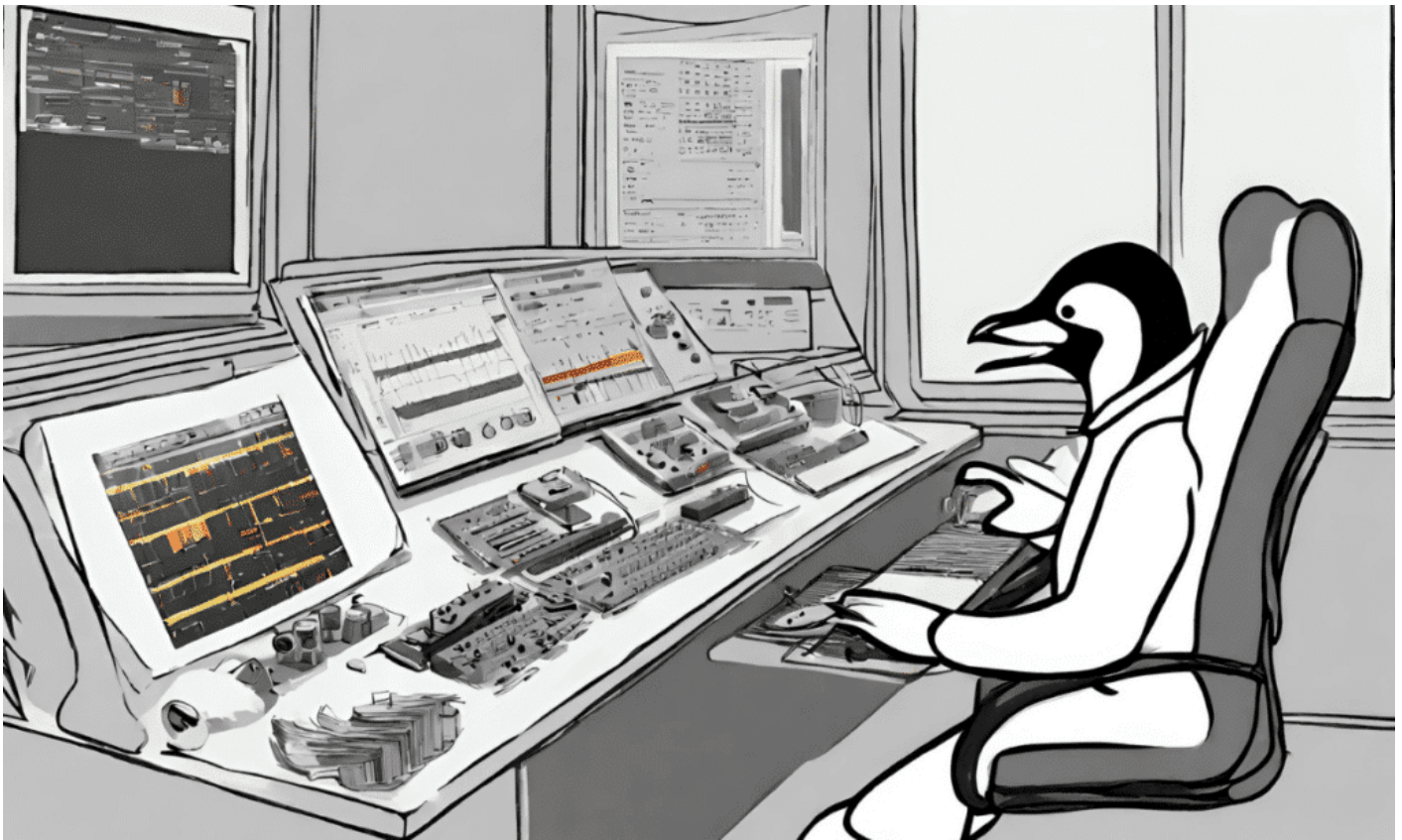
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Some audio editors for Linux

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At Ubunlog we usually make lists by compiling various software titles selected from the enormous range of options available. It is true that some sectors are overcrowded while in others the lack is discouraging. This time we will talk about some audio editors for Linux.

My colleague Pablinux, who knows more about the subject than me, **think** which **There are no alternatives at the level of proprietary solutions.** As a non-professional I can only say that, for my limited needs, any of these alternatives are sufficient.



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Some audio editors for Linux

Although in theory the difference between an audio editor and an audio workstation is clear, in practice the use of one or the other term seems like a developer's choice.. On paper, an audio editor should only be limited to cutting and pasting sounds while the station also allows recording, processing, mixing and inserting effects. In this post we will use the definition chosen by its creators for each application.

The history of computer audio processing must be traced back to the late 70s, when a program was developed that needed to be connected to an oscilloscope to see the shape of the wave. This program could edit the sound stored on the hard drive and add some effects.

With the arrival of the Mac, Soundedit appeared in 1986, which seems to be the first to use a graphical interface. This application recorded, edited, processed and played digital sound

Linux users had to wait until 1999 when the program we know today as Audacity was released.

Audacity

It is the best known of the open source audio editors and is available for Windows, Linux and Mac.

It is currently under the umbrella of Muse Group, a company that develops various products for music production, although the program can be downloaded for free and without additions from [la web](#) of the project. Linux distributions usually include it in the repositories.

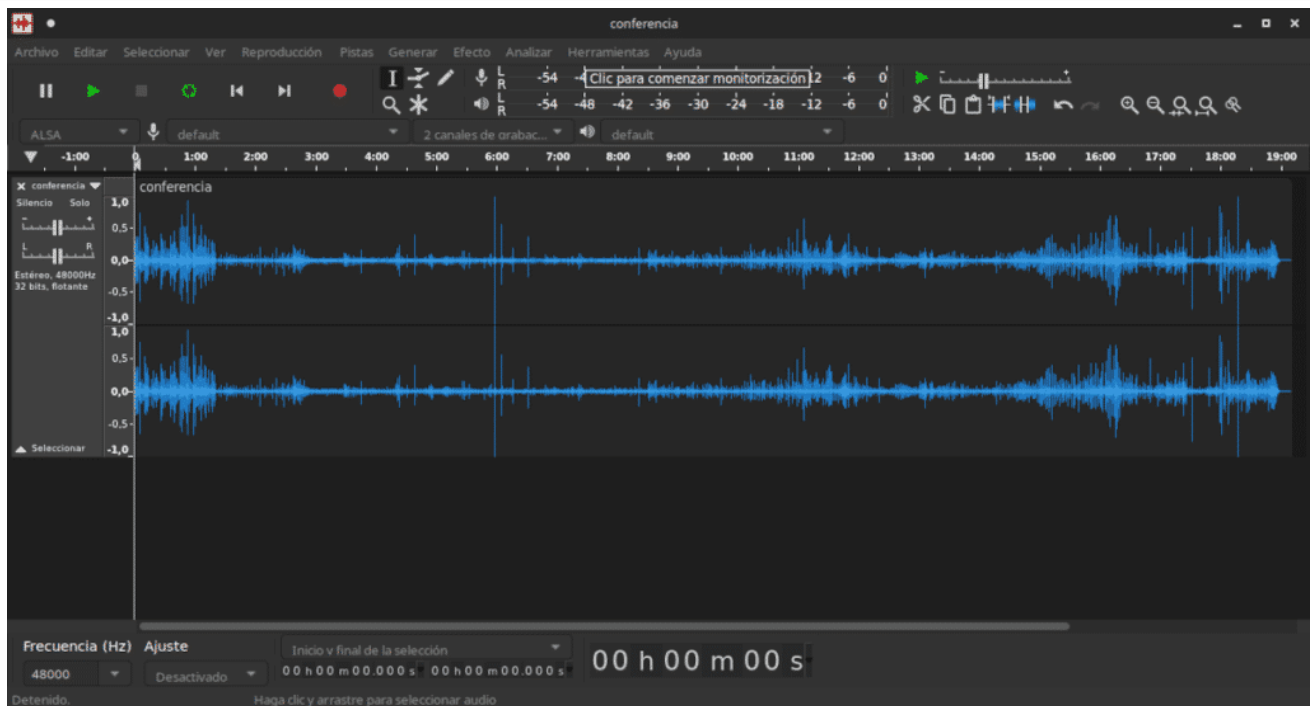
Some features of Audacity are:

- Multitrack.
- Allows you to record audio from different sources.
- Import audio files and audio from videos.
- Noise generator.
- Rhythm generator.
- Cut and paste files.
- Noise elimination.
- Complete manual

mhWaveEdit

This application that can be found in the repositories or in [the store](#) from Flathub, boasts of having efficient memory management when editing, cutting or pasting files. Some of its features are:

- Playback at different speeds.
- Sample reproduction.
- Selection of part of files using the mouse.
- Automatic replacement of selected parts by silence.
- LADSPA effects support
- Volume adjustment.
- Conversion from stereo to mono and vice versa.



The Tenacity audio editor emerged from disagreements between community developers with the path followed by Audacity. The name of the new project came from a vote on 4chan.

tenacity

When Muse took over Audacity, they had no better idea than to include a monitoring tool (a common practice in the software industry). It could be disabled, and in fact, the versions included in the repositories are compiled without that tool. But, when in doubt, some community developers decided to separate and make a fork. That's how Tenacity was born.

Available for Windows and Linux (Repositories and [Flatub](#)) this editor has the following features:

- Recording from real and virtual devices.
- Export and import all formats supported by FFmpeg.
- Support for floating 32-bit audio (This format offers a wider dynamic range, allowing you to capture very high and very low sounds without distortion or loss of quality)
- Plugin Support
- It allows the creation of scripts in some of the most common open source programming languages.

- Multitrack editor.
- Supports use with keyboard and screen reader.
- Tool for signal processing.
- Manual.

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