

**NAME**

md2roff - converts markdown documents to roff (man, mdoc, mm, mom).

**SYNOPSIS**

**md2roff** [{-n|-d|-m|-o}][*FILE*][-]

**DESCRIPTION**

*md2roff* converts the input files to groff (with man package) format and prints the result to *stdout*. If the *FILE* is '-' then it reads from *stdin*.

**OPTIONS**

**-h, --help**

displays a short-help text and exits

**-v, --version**

displays the program version, copyright and license information and exists.

**-n, --man**

use man package (linux man pages, default), see **groff\_man(7)**

**-m, --mm**

use mm package, see **groff\_mm(7)**

**-d, --mdoc**

use mdoc package (BSD man pages), see **groff\_mdoc(7)**

**-o, --mom**

use mom package, see **groff\_mom(7)**

**-z, --man-official**

try to use rules of **man-pages(7)**

**NOTES**

1. If the documents starts with '#' then creates the TH command with this; otherwise there will be a default TH with the file-name. Actually only the title (name) and section are required. **man-pages(7)**  
# title section date source manual
2. If you write man page, use '####' for each option to automatically convert the section to '.TP' as in GNU's manuals.
3. Use special link type (man) to link man pages. Example, link to **tcsh(1)**  
... link to [tcsh 1](man) ...
4. For man and mdoc modes, there is a special keyword 'SYNTAX:' in SYNOPSIS section that enables the syntax commands (.SY/.OP/.YS). Each line starts with '-' translated to .OP otherwise to .RI, except the first which is the command name.

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## SYNOPSIS
SYNTAX:
    appname
    -x arg
    -y [arg]
```

**BUGS**

A lot. Fix and send.

**EXAMPLE**

View a markdown as console man page:

```
$ md2roff mytext.md | groff -Tutf8 -man | $PAGER
```

View a markdown as postscript man page:

```
$ md2roff mytext.md | groff -Tps -man | okular -
```

This document is example, its written in markdown and produce a nice man page. You can see the man page as exported to pdf (by groff) in this directory.

**HOMEPAGE & REPORTING BUGS**

⟨<https://github.com/nereusx/md2roff>⟩

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**SEE ALSO**

**groff\_man(7)** , **man-pages(7)** , **groff\_man(7)** , **groff\_mdoc(7)** , **groff\_mm(7)** , **groff\_mom(7)**