

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)**

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.

```
# 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.

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SEE ALSO

groff_man(7) , **man-pages(7)** , **groff_man(7)** , **groff_mdoc(7)** , **groff_mm(7)** , **groff_mom(7)**