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User Commands

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du - estimate file space usage

SYNOPSIS [top](#)

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du [OPTION]... [FILE]...
du [OPTION]... --files0-from=F
```

DESCRIPTION [top](#)

Summarize device usage of the set of FILES, recursively for directories.

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

-0, --null
end each output line with NUL, not newline

-a, --all
write counts for all files, not just directories

--apparent-size
print apparent sizes rather than device usage; although the apparent size is usually smaller, it may be larger due to holes in ('sparse') files, internal fragmentation, indirect blocks, and the like

-B, --block-size=SIZE
scale sizes by SIZE before printing them; e.g., '-BM' prints sizes in units of 1,048,576 bytes; see SIZE format below

-b, --bytes

- equivalent to '`--apparent-size --block-size=1`'
- c, --total**
produce a grand total
 - D, --dereference-args**
dereference only symlinks that are listed on the command line
 - d, --max-depth=N**
print the total for a directory (or file, with `--all`) only if it is N or fewer levels below the command line argument; `--max-depth=0` is the same as `--summarize`
 - files0-from=F**
summarize device usage of the NUL-terminated file names specified in file F; if F is -, then read names from standard input
 - H** equivalent to `--dereference-args (-D)`
 - h, --human-readable**
print sizes in human readable format (e.g., 1K 234M 2G)
 - inodes**
list inode usage information instead of block usage
 - k** like `--block-size=1K`
 - L, --dereference**
dereference all symbolic links
 - l, --count-links**
count sizes many times if hard linked
 - m** like `--block-size=1M`
 - P, --no-dereference**
don't follow any symbolic links (this is the default)
 - S, --separate-dirs**
for directories do not include size of subdirectories
 - si** like `-h`, but use powers of 1000 not 1024
 - s, --summarize**
display only a total for each argument
 - t, --threshold=SIZE**
exclude entries smaller than SIZE if positive, or entries greater than SIZE if negative

- time** show time of the last modification of any file in the directory, or any of its subdirectories
- time=WORD**
show time as WORD instead of modification time: atime, access, use, ctime or status
- time-style=STYLE**
show times using STYLE, which can be: full-iso, long-iso, iso, or +FORMAT; FORMAT is interpreted like in 'date'
- X, --exclude-from=FILE**
exclude files that match any pattern in FILE
- exclude=PATTERN**
exclude files that match PATTERN
- x, --one-file-system**
skip directories on different file systems
- help** display this help and exit
- version**
output version information and exit

Display values are in units of the first available SIZE from **--block-size**, and the DU_BLOCK_SIZE, BLOCK_SIZE and BLOCKSIZE environment variables. Otherwise, units default to 1024 bytes (or 512 if POSIXLY_CORRECT is set).

The SIZE argument is an integer and optional unit (example: 10K is 10*1024). Units are K,M,G,T,P,E,Z,Y,R,Q (powers of 1024) or KB,MB,... (powers of 1000). Binary prefixes can be used, too: KiB=K, MiB=M, and so on.

PATTERNS [top](#)

PATTERN is a shell pattern (not a regular expression). The pattern **?** matches any one character, whereas ***** matches any string (composed of zero, one or multiple characters). For example, ***.o** will match any files whose names end in **.o**. Therefore, the command

```
du --exclude='*.o'
```

will skip all files and subdirectories ending in **.o** (including the file **.o** itself).

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