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## NAME          top

    dircolors - color setup for ls

## SYNOPSIS          top

    **dircolors** [*OPTION*]... [*FILE*]

## DESCRIPTION          top

    Output commands to set the LS_COLORS environment variable.

  **Determine format of output:**
    **-b, --sh, --bourne-shell**
            output Bourne shell code to set LS_COLORS

    **-c, --csh, --c-shell**
            output C shell code to set LS_COLORS

    **-p, --print-database**
            output defaults

    **--print-ls-colors**
            output fully escaped colors for display

    **--help** display this help and exit

    **--version**
            output version information and exit

    If FILE is specified, read it to determine which colors to use
    for which file types and extensions.  Otherwise, a precompiled
    database is used.  For details on the format of these files, run
    'dircolors **--print-database**'.

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