

NAME

fgrep – search a file for lines containing keywords

SYNOPSIS

fgrep [**-b**] [**-c**] [**-e**] [**-f**] [**-n**] [**-v**] *pattern* [*file*] ...

DESCRIPTION

fgrep searches the input files (standard input default) for all lines containing one or more keywords denoted by *pattern*. Normally, each containing line is copied to the standard output. The **bcfnv** flags modify the normal behavior as in *egrep*(I). The **-e** flag causes a match to occur if and only if a keyword matches an input line exactly. Without the **-f** flag, *pattern* can be only a single keyword. With the **-f** flag, *pattern* is the name of a file containing a sequence of keywords terminated by newlines. The keywords in this file then constitute the search pattern. A keyword is any string of characters except '\0' and newline. No metacharacters are assumed.

SEE ALSO

egrep(I)

BUGS

Lines longer than 512 characters are not printed completely.