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CAT(I)

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cat - concatenate and print

SYNOPSIS

cat [-u] file ...

DESCRIPTION

Cat reads each file in sequence and writes it on the standard output. Thus

cat file

prints the file, and

cat file1 file2 >file3

concatenates the first two files and places the result on the third.

If the optional $-\mathbf{u}$ argument is present, the output is unbuffered. That is, a write occurs every wakeup as opposed to every 512 bytes.

If no input file is given, or if the argument '-' is encountered, cat reads from the standard input file.

SEE ALSO

pr (I), cp (I)

DIAGNOSTICS

"cat: can't open file" if file cannot be found. The file is ignored and cat continues.

BUGS

cat x y > x and cat x y > y should be avoided.