

NAME

deroff – remove roff, tbl, eqn, refer and pic constructs from documents

SYNOPSIS

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deroff [-w] [-s] [-ml] [-ms] [-mm] [-p] [file... ]
deroff [--word-list] [--skip-headers] [--skip-lists] [--pretty-print] [file... ]
deroff -h|--help
deroff --version
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DESCRIPTION

deroff reads roff documents and removes all *nroff*(1), *troff*(1), *refer*(1), *tbl*(1), *eqn*(1) and *pic*(1) constructs. The resulting text will be sent to standard output. **.so** and **.nx** requests are processed, but repeated requests to process an already read file will be ignored.

OPTIONS

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-w, --word-list      Output a word list, one word per line.

-s, --skip-headers  Do not output headers. This is useful if you want to run text analysis tools on the output.

-ml, --suppress-lists
                    Suppress lists. This option is useful with -s, if there are many incomplete sentences in lists.

-ms, -mm            These options are accepted for compatibility, but they are being ignored.

-i                Ignore .so and .nx requests.

-p, --pretty-print  Format the output more pretty by omitting and adding newline characters at certain places.

-h, --help         Print a short usage message.

--version          Print the version.
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EXAMPLE

The following example does a simple spell check of a document:

```
deroff -w document.mm | sort -u |
comm -23 - /usr/share/words/en
```

RESTRICTIONS

deroff is not a complete roff parser, so it can be confused by complicated constructs. Often too much output is done in these cases.

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SEE ALSO

soelim(1), troff(1), nroff(1), refer(1), tbl(1), pic(1), eqn(1)