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NAME

lolcat - rainbow coloring effect for text console display

SYNOPSIS

lolcat [options] [files] ...

DESCRIPTION

This manual page documents briefly the lolcat command.

lolcat is a program that concatenates files, or standard input, to standard output (like the generic cat), and adds rainbow coloring to it.

OPTIONS

-p X, --spread=X

Inclination of the rainbow stripes

(character widths per line height; high values (>1000) give almost horizontal stripes, low values (0.1) almost vertical ones; default: 3.0).

-F X, --freq=X

Frequency of the rainbow effect.

(low values around 0.0001 give almost monochromous screens; default: 0.1).

-S X, --seed=X

Initial value for the random number generator; 0 means automatic.

(default: 0).

-a, --animate

Fade every line through an animation before printing the next one.

-d X, --duration=X

Duration of the animation.

(number of steps before showing next line; default: 12)

-s X, --speed=X

Speed of the animation.

(frame rate, ie. number of steps per second; default: 20)

-i, --invert

Inverts the background and foreground colors.

-t, --truecolor

Enables 24-bit truecolor mode.

-f, --force

Force color even when stdout is not a tty.

-v, --version

Shows lolcat version.

-h, --help

Shows options summary.

EXAMPLES

Typical combinations of lolcat include other programs that generate text:

Large colorful words can be written like this:

```
echo "KTHXBAI" | toilet | lolcat
```

Cows are popular, come in all colors, and tell random epigrams:

```
fortune | cowsay | lolcat -a
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SEE ALSO

[cat\(1\)](#), [toilet\(1\)](#), [fortune\(6\)](#), [cowsay\(6\)](#)

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