

**NAME**

uniq – report or omit repeated lines

**SYNOPSIS**

**uniq** [*OPTION*...]... [*INPUT* [*OUTPUT*]]

**DESCRIPTION**

Filter adjacent matching lines from *INPUT* (or standard input), writing to *OUTPUT* (or standard output).

With no options, matching lines are merged to the first occurrence.

Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options too.

**-c, --count**

prefix lines by the number of occurrences

**-d, --repeated**

only print duplicate lines, one for each group

**-D**

print all duplicate lines

**--all-repeated[=*METHOD*]**

like **-D**, but allow separating groups with an empty line; *METHOD*={ none(default),prepend,separate }

**-f, --skip-fields=*N***

avoid comparing the first *N* fields

**--group[=*METHOD*]**

show all items, separating groups with an empty line; *METHOD*={ separate(default),prepend,append,both }

**-i, --ignore-case**

ignore differences in case when comparing

**-s, --skip-chars=*N***

avoid comparing the first *N* characters

**-u, --unique**

only print unique lines

**-z, --zero-terminated**

line delimiter is NUL, not newline

**-w, --check-chars=*N***

compare no more than *N* characters in lines

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

**--version**

output version information and exit

A field is a run of blanks (usually spaces and/or TABs), then non-blank characters. Fields are skipped before chars.

Note: 'uniq' does not detect repeated lines unless they are adjacent. You may want to sort the input first, or use 'sort -u' without 'uniq'. Also, comparisons honor the rules specified by 'LC\_COLLATE'.

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**REPORTING BUGS**

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**SEE ALSO**

comm(1), join(1), sort(1)

Full documentation at: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/uniq>>

or available locally via: info '(coreutils) uniq invocation'