

NAME

`comm` - select or reject lines common to two sorted files

SYNOPSIS

`comm` [- [123]] file1 file2

DESCRIPTION

Comm reads *file1* and *file2*, which should be ordered in ASCII collating sequence (see *sort(1)*), and produces a three-column output: lines only in *file1*; lines only in *file2*; and lines in both files. The filename - means the standard input.

Flags 1, 2, or 3 suppress printing of the corresponding column. Thus `comm -12` prints only the lines common to the two files; `comm -23` prints only lines in the first file but not in the second; `comm -123` is a no-op.

SEE ALSO

`cmp(1)`, `diff(1)`, `sort(1)`, `uniq(1)`