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msgcat - combines several message catalogs

SYNOPSIS

msgcat [OPTION] [INPUTFILE]...

DESCRIPTION

Concatenates and merges the specified PO files. Find messages which are common to two or more of the specified PO files. By using the `--more-than` option, greater commonality may be requested before messages are printed. Conversely, the `--less-than` option may be used to specify less commonality before messages are printed (i.e. `--less-than=2` will only print the unique messages). Translations, comments, extracted comments, and file positions will be cumulated, except that if `--use-first` is specified, they will be taken from the first PO file to define them.

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

Input file location:

INPUTFILE ...

input files

`-f, --files-from=FILE`

get list of input files from FILE

`-D, --directory=DIRECTORY`

add DIRECTORY to list for input files search

If input file is `-`, standard input is read.

Output file location:

`-o, --output-file=FILE`

write output to specified file

The results are written to standard output if no output file is specified or if it is `-`.

Message selection:

`-<, --less-than=NUMBER`

print messages with less than this many definitions, defaults to infinite if not set

`->, --more-than=NUMBER`

print messages with more than this many definitions, defaults to 0 if not set

`-u, --unique`

shorthand for `--less-than=2`, requests that only unique messages be printed

Input file syntax:

`-P, --properties-input`

input files are in Java `.properties` syntax

`--stringtable-input`

input files are in NeXTstep/GNUstep `.strings` syntax

Output details:

`-t, --to-code=NAME`

encoding for output

`--use-first`

use first available translation for each message, don't merge several translations

`--lang=CATALOGNAME`

set 'Language' field in the header entry

`--color`

use colors and other text attributes always

`--color=WHEN`

use colors and other text attributes if WHEN. WHEN may be 'always', 'never', 'auto', or 'html'.

`--style=STYLEFILE`

specify CSS style rule file for --color

-e, --no-escape

do not use C escapes in output (default)

-E, --escape

use C escapes in output, no extended chars

--force-po

write PO file even if empty

-i, --indent

write the .po file using indented style

--no-location

do not write '#: filename:line' lines

-n, --add-location

generate '#: filename:line' lines (default)

--strict

write out strict Uniform conforming .po file

-p, --properties-output

write out a Java .properties file

--stringtable-output

write out a NeXTstep/GNUstep .strings file

-w, --width=NUMBER

set output page width

--no-wrap

do not break long message lines, longer than the output page width, into several lines

-s, --sort-output

generate sorted output

-F, --sort-by-file

sort output by file location

Informative output:

-h, --help

display this help and exit

-V, --version

output version information and exit

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REPORTING BUGS

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SEE ALSO

The full documentation for msgcat is maintained as a Texinfo manual. If the info and msgcat programs are properly installed at your site, the command
info msgcat
should give you access to the complete manual.

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