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**NAME**

pdfseparate - Portable Document Format (PDF) page extractor

**SYNOPSIS**

pdfseparate [options] PDF-file PDF-page-pattern

**DESCRIPTION**

pdfseparate extract single pages from a Portable Document Format (PDF).

pdfseparate reads the PDF file PDF-file, extracts one or more pages, and writes one PDF file for each page to PDF-page-pattern.

PDF-page-pattern should contain %d (or any variant respecting printf format), since %d is replaced by the page number.

The PDF-file should not be encrypted.

**OPTIONS**

- f number  
Specifies the first page to extract. If -f is omitted, extraction starts with page 1.
- l number  
Specifies the last page to extract. If -l is omitted, extraction ends with the last page.
- v    Print copyright and version information.
- h    Print usage information. (-help and --help are equivalent.)

**EXAMPLE**

```
pdfseparate sample.pdf sample-%d.pdf
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extracts all pages from sample.pdf, if i.e. sample.pdf has 3 pages, it produces

```
sample-1.pdf, sample-2.pdf, sample-3.pdf
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