

More on Redirection

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- ▶ **Appending redirected output**
- ▶ **With the help of some examples**



Prerequisite



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- ▶ If not, for relevant tutorials please visit <http://spoken-tutorial.org>



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- ▶ **GNU Bash version 4 or above is recommended for practice**



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- ▶ **stderr** and **stdout** can be redirected to the same file
- ▶ **Can be done in multiple ways**



Redirection of stderr and stdout



Redirection of stderr and stdout

- ▶ `& >`
- ▶ **Syntax:** `command & > filename`



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- ▶ `2 > &1`

- ▶ **Syntax:**

`command > /dev/null 2 > &1`



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- ▶ Called as bit bucket



Append redirected output



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- ▶ If the file does not exist, it will create a new file



Syntax



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Syntax:

► *command >> file*



Summary



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- **Redirection of both standard error and output**



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- ▶ **Redirection of both standard error and output**
- ▶ **To append redirected output**



Assignment

- ▶ Create **X_file.txt** file with some content
- ▶ Redirect the content of both **out_file.txt** and **X_file.txt** to a new file



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