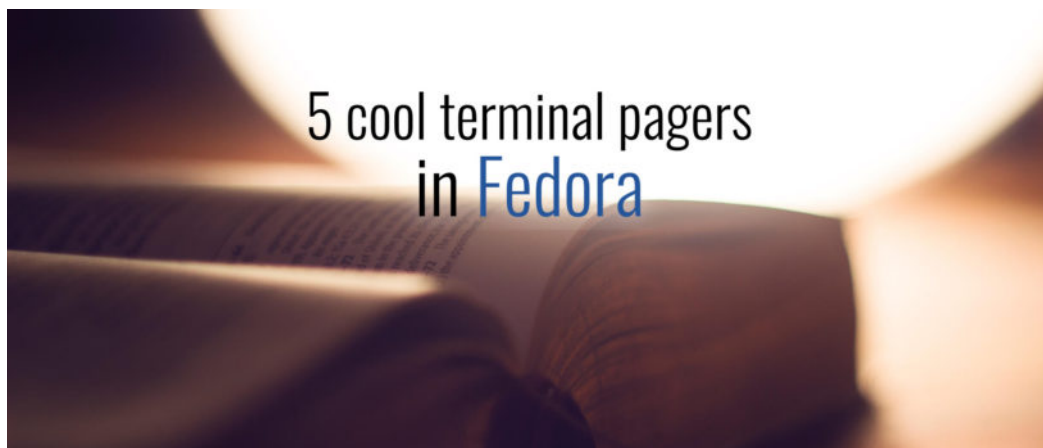


5 cool terminal pagers in Fedora

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Large files like logs or source code can run into the thousands of lines. That makes navigating them difficult, particularly from the terminal. Additionally, most terminal emulators have a scrollbar buffer of only a few hundred lines. That can make it impossible to browse large files in the terminal using utilities which print to standard output like `cat`, `head` and `tail`. In the early days of computing, programmers solved these problems by developing utilities for displaying text in the form of virtual "pages" - utilities imaginatively described as pagers.

Pagers offer a number of features which make text file navigation much simpler, including scrolling, search functions, and the ability to feature as part of a pipeline of commands. In contrast to most text editors, some terminal pagers do not require loading the entire file for viewing, which makes them faster, especially for very large files.

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