

NAME

ioping – simple disk I/O latency monitoring tool

SYNOPSIS

ioping [**-LCDRq**] [**-c** *count*] [**-w** *deadline*] [**-p** *period*] [**-i** *interval*] [**-s** *size*] [**-S** *wsiz*e] [**-o** *offset*]
device|*file*|*directory*

ioping -h

DESCRIPTION

This tool lets you monitor I/O latency in real time.

OPTIONS

- c** *count* Stop after *count* requests.
- w** *deadline* Stop after *deadline* time passed.
- p** *period* Print raw statistics for every *period* requests.
- i** *interval* Set time between requests to *interval*.
- s** *size* Request size.
- S** *size* Working set size.
- o** *offset* Offset in input file.
- L** Use sequential operations rather than random.
- C** Use cached I/O.
- D** Use direct I/O.
- R** Disk seek rate test (same as **-q -i 0 -w 3**).
- q** Suppress human-readable output.
- h** Display help message and exit.

Argument suffixes

For options that expect time argument (**-i** and **-w**), default is seconds, unless you specify one of the following suffixes (case-insensitive):

us, usec microseconds

ms, msec milliseconds

s, sec seconds

m, min minutes

h, hour hours

For options that expect "size" argument (**-s**, **-S** and **-o**), default is bytes, unless you specify one of the following suffixes (case-insensitive):

k, kb kilobytes

p memory pages (a page is always 4K).

m, mb megabytes

g, gb gigabytes

For options that expect "number" argument (**-p** and **-c**) you can optionally specify one of the following suffixes (case-insensitive):

da deca (tens, 10)

k kilo (thousands, 1 000)

M mega (millions, 1 000 000)

G giga (billions, 1 000 000 000)

EXIT STATUS

Returns **0** upon success. The following error codes are defined:

1 Invalid usage (error in arguments).

2 Error during preparation stage.

3 Error during runtime.

EXAMPLES

ioping .

Show disk I/O latency using the default values and the current directory, until interrupted.

ioping -c 10 -s 1M /tmp

Measure latency on **/tmp** using 10 requests of 1 megabyte each.

ioping -R /dev/sda

Measure disk seek rate.

ioping -RL /dev/sda

Measure disk sequential speed.