

Name multimode– allows multiple subcommands to be run while preserving environment settings and remaining in the asadmin utility

Synopsis multimode [--help] [--file *filename*] [--printprompt={true|false}] [--encoding *encode*]

Description The multimode subcommand processes asadmin subcommands sequentially in a single session. The command-line interface prompts for a subcommand, runs that subcommand, displays the results of that subcommand, and then prompts for the next subcommand. All the asadmin options set in multimode apply to subsequent commands until the multimode session is exited. You exit multimode by typing exit, quit, or Ctrl-D.

You can use the export subcommand to set your environment, or use the unset subcommand to remove environment variables from the multimode environment. You can also provide subcommands by passing a previously prepared list of subcommands from a file or standard input (pipe).

You can invoke multimode from within a multimode session. When you exit the second multimode environment, you return to your original multimode environment.

This subcommand is supported in local mode only.

Options --help

-?

Displays the help text for the subcommand.

--file *filename*

Reads the subcommands as defined in *filename*.

--printprompt

Allows the printing of the asadmin prompt after each subcommand is run. Set this option to false when the commands are piped or redirected from the standard input or file. By default the option is set to true.

--encoding

Specifies the locale for the file to be decoded.

Examples EXAMPLE 1 Starting a Multimode Session

This example starts a multimode session where: % is the system prompt.

```
% asadmin multimode
asadmin>
```

You can also start a multimode session by typing asadmin without options or subcommands at the system prompt.

EXAMPLE 2 Running Multiple Commands From a File

This example runs a sequence of subcommands from the `commands_file.txt` file.

```
% asadmin multimode --file commands_file.txt
```

Exit Status 0 subcommand executed successfully
1 error in executing the subcommand

See Also `export(1)`, `unset(1)`
[asadmin\(1M\)](#)

