NAME
      vipw, vigr − edit the password, group, shadow−password or shadow−group file

SYNOPSIS

      vipw [*options*]

      vigr [*options*]

DESCRIPTION
      The **vipw** and **vigr** commands edits the files /etc/passwd and /etc/group, respectively. With the **−s** flag, they will edit the shadow versions of those files, /etc/shadow and /etc/gshadow, respectively. The programs will set the appropriate locks to prevent file corruption. When looking for an editor, the programs will first try the environment variable **$VISUAL**, then the environment variable **$EDITOR**, and finally the default editor, **vi(1)**.

OPTIONS
      The options which apply to the **vipw** and **vigr** commands are:

      −g, **−−group**
          Edit group database.

      −h, **−−help**
          Display help message and exit.

      −p, **−−passwd**
          Edit passwd database.

      −q, **−−quiet**
          Quiet mode.

      −R, **−−root** *CHROOT_DIR*
          Apply changes in the *CHROOT_DIR* directory and use the configuration files from the *CHROOT_DIR* directory.

      −s, **−−shadow**
          Edit shadow or gshadow database.

ENVIRONMENT
      VISUAL
          Editor to be used.

      EDITOR
          Editor to be used if **VISUAL** is not set.

FILES
      /etc/group
          Group account information.

      /etc/gshadow
          Secure group account information.

      /etc/passwd
          User account information.

      /etc/shadow
          Secure user account information.

SEE ALSO
      vi(1), **group(5)**, **gshadow(5)** , **passwd(5)**, , **shadow(5)**.