
Subject: Re: How to Zip cross-platform from IDL?
Posted by [timothyja123](#) on Thu, 28 Feb 2013 02:41:10 GMT
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On Saturday, February 23, 2013 5:09:43 AM UTC+11, Mark Piper wrote:

> On Friday, February 22, 2013 10:50:11 AM UTC-7, Chris Torrence wrote:

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>> We are planning on exposing ZIP functionality in an upcoming release.

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> To elaborate: we're looking at supporting zip, gzip and tar in IDL. I'm planning this for 8.2.3 (late spring), but it may slip to 8.3 (early fall).

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> Also note: I just tried Chris' example, and the input files are moved (not copied) into the zip file.

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I'm really looking forward to this feature. Currently I must untar files so that I can reload there contents in IDL. The tars have around 2000 small files in them and I've just discovered that the Windows NTFS sucks at creating this many files in a single directory (takes around 12 second on my high end machine). On even a low end linux machine it is pretty much instant.

Anyway being able to load these files directly into memory would be a great improvement.
