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Subject: Re: FILE\_GZIP removes file extension

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 13 Jun 2013 17:08:30 GMT

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timothyja123@gmail.com writes:

- > The second is to do with the new FILE\_GZIP routine. The compresses the file fine however, it:
- > 1. Removes the suffix on compressed files name
- > 2. Renames the compressed file to match the fileout name

This is really strange. It looks like a bug, but the more I fool with it the more it looks like a completely non-intuitive design feature! It is strange we haven't heard from ExelisVis about this. But, I have written a short article that describes what you have to do to preserve the file extension of the compressed file here:

[http://www.idlcoyote.com/fileio\\_tips/extgone.php](http://www.idlcoyote.com/fileio_tips/extgone.php)

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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