

NAME

unpack — expand compressed files

SYNOPSIS

unpack name ...

DESCRIPTION

Unpack expands files created by *pack*(1). For each file *name* specified in the command, a search is made for a file called *name.z* (or just *name*, if *name* ends in *.z*). If this file appears to be a packed file, it is replaced by its expanded version. The new file has the *.z* suffix stripped from its name, and has the same access modes, access and modification dates, and owner as those of the packed file.

Unpack returns a value that is the number of files it was unable to unpack. Failure may occur if:

- the file name (exclusive of the *.z*) has more than 12 characters;
- the file cannot be opened;
- the file does not appear to be the output of *pack*(1);
- a file with the “unpacked” name already exists;
- if the unpacked file cannot be created.

SEE ALSO

pack(1), *pcat*(1).