

#### NAME

ExtUtils::Command - utilities to replace common UNIX commands in Makefiles etc.

### **SYNOPSIS**

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perl -MExtUtils::Command -e cat files... > destination
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e mv source... destination
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e cp source... destination
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e touch files...
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e rm_f files...
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e rm_rf directories...
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e mkpath directories...
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e eqtime source destination
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e test_f file
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e test_d directory
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e chmod mode files...
...
```

# DESCRIPTION

The module is used to replace common UNIX commands. In all cases the functions work from @ARGV rather than taking arguments. This makes them easier to deal with in Makefiles. Call them like this:

```
perl -MExtUtils::Command -e some_command some files to work on
and NOT like this:
    perl -MExtUtils::Command -e 'some_command qw(some files to work on)'
For that use Shell::Command.
```

# **FUNCTIONS**

```
cat file ...

Concatenates all files mentioned on command line to STDOUT.

eqtime

eqtime source destination

Sets modified time of destination to that of source.

rm_rf

rm_rf files or directories ...

Removes files and directories - recursively (even if readonly)

rm_f

rm_f file ...

Removes files (even if readonly)

touch
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Filenames with \* and ? will be glob expanded.



Makes files exist, with current timestamp

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mv source_file destination_file
mv source_file source_file destination_dir
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Moves source to destination. Multiple sources are allowed if destination is an existing directory.

Returns true if all moves succeeded, false otherwise.

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```
cp source_file destination_file
cp source_file source_file destination_dir
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Copies sources to the destination. Multiple sources are allowed if destination is an existing directory.

Returns true if all copies succeeded, false otherwise.

chmod

```
chmod mode files ...
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Sets UNIX like permissions 'mode' on all the files. e.g. 0666

mkpath

```
mkpath directory ...
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Creates directories, including any parent directories.

test f

```
test_f file
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Tests if a file exists. Exits with 0 if it does, 1 if it does not (ie. shell's idea of true and false).

test\_d

```
test_d directory
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Tests if a directory exists. *Exits* with 0 if it does, 1 if it does not (ie. shell's idea of true and false).

dos2unix

```
dos2unix files or dirs ...
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Converts DOS and OS/2 linefeeds to Unix style recursively.

## **SEE ALSO**

Shell::Command which is these same functions but take arguments normally.

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