

**NAME**

`znew` – recompress .Z files to .gz files

**SYNOPSIS**

`znew` [ `-ftv9PK` ] [ `name.Z ...` ]

**DESCRIPTION**

*Znew* recompresses files from .Z (compress) format to .gz (gzip) format. If you want to recompress a file already in gzip format, rename the file to force a .Z extension then apply *znew*.

**OPTIONS**

- f** Force recompression from .Z to .gz format even if a .gz file already exists.
- t** Tests the new files before deleting originals.
- v** Verbose. Display the name and percentage reduction for each file compressed.
- 9** Use the slowest compression method (optimal compression).
- P** Use pipes for the conversion to reduce disk space usage.
- K** Keep a .Z file when it is smaller than the .gz file; implies **-t**.

**SEE ALSO**

`gzip(1)`, `zmore(1)`, `zdiff(1)`, `zgrep(1)`, `zforce(1)`, `gzexe(1)`, `compress(1)`

**BUGS**

If the **-P** option is used, *znew* does not maintain the timestamp if *touch(1)* does not support the **-r** option, and does not maintain permissions if *chmod(1)* does not support the **---reference** option.