NAME
>   guards − select from a list of files guarded by conditions

SYNOPSIS
>   *guards*   [−−prefix=*dir*]   [−−path=*dir1:dir2:...*]   [−−default=<0|1>]   [−−check|−−list]   [−−invert−match]
>   [−−with−guards] [−−config=<file>] *symbol* ...

DESCRIPTION
>   The script reads a configuration file that may contain so-called guards, file names, and comments, and
>   writes those file names that satisfy all guards to standard output. The script takes a list of symbols as its
>   arguments. Each line in the configuration file is processed separately. Lines may start with a number of
>   guards. The following guards are defined:
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>   +*xxx* Include the file(s) on this line if the symbol *xxx* is defined.
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>   −*xxx* Exclude the file(s) on this line if the symbol *xxx* is defined.
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>   +!*xxx* Include the file(s) on this line if the symbol *xxx* is not defined.
>
>   −!*xxx* Exclude the file(s) on this line if the symbol *xxx* is not defined.
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>   − Exclude this file. Used to avoid spurious −−*check* messages.
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>   The guards are processed left to right. The last guard that matches determines if the file is included. If no
>   guard is specified, the −−*default* setting determines if the file is included.
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>   If no configuration file is specified, the script reads from standard input.
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>   The −−*check* option is used to compare the specification file against the file system. If files are referenced
>   in the specification that do not exist, or if files are not enlisted in the specification file warnings are printed.
>   The −−*path* option can be used to specify which directory or directories to scan. Multiple directories are
>   separated by a colon (**:**) character. The −−*prefix* option specifies the location of the files. Alternatively, the
>   −−*path=*@*<file>* syntax can be used to specify a file from which the file names will be read.
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>   Use −−*list* to list all files independent of any rules. Use −−*invert−match* to list only the excluded patches.
>   Use −−*with−guards* to also include all inclusion and exclusion rules.

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