

**NAME**

**what-patch** – detect which patch system a Debian package uses

**SYNOPSIS**

**what-patch** [*options*]

**DESCRIPTION**

**what-patch** examines the *debian/rules* file to determine which patch system the Debian package is using.

**what-patch** should be run from the root directory of the Debian source package.

**OPTIONS**

Listed below are the command line options for **what-patch**:

**-h, --help**

Display a help message and exit.

**-v**

Enable verbose mode. This will include the listing of any files modified outside of the *debian/* directory and report any additional details about the patch system if available.

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**SEE ALSO**

The Ubuntu MOTU team has some documentation about patch systems at the Ubuntu wiki: <https://wiki.ubuntu.com/PackagingGuide/PatchSystems>

**cdbedit-patch(1)**, **dbedit-patch(1)**, **dpedit-patch(1)**