## UNDIGESTIFY

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# INTRODUCTION

This Lafite package allows you to unpack an Arpa Network digest, such as AlList, into its constituent messages. An new item, "Undigest," is placed on the browser menu. When a single message (presumably a digest) is selected, clicking on this item will delete the selected message, and append the constituent messages to the end of the mail folder. If the selected message is not a digest, or is a digest in a format that cannot be parsed properly, then a message will be printed and nothing will happen to the mail folder.

#### **USER OPTIONS**

- \*DELETE-DIGEST-FLAG\*, if T means that the digest message should be deleted if it is successfully parsed. The default is T.
- \*MOVE-TO-FIRST-DIGEST-MESSAGE-FLAG\*, if T means to select the first constituent message, if NIL means to select the first undeleted message after the digest message. The default is NIL.
- \*DONT-UPDATE-HEADERS-FLAG\*, if T means not to copy the To: field from the digest to each constituent message. The default is NIL.

## PLANNED ENHANCEMENTS

Inserting the contained messages immediately after the digest, rather than appending.

Moving the contained messages to a different mail folder.

### **NOTES**

Many digests are not in the correct format. The parser used in this program tries to be very forgiving, and hence, is relatively slow (about 10 seconds to parse a digest on a Dorado). If everyone adhered to RFC934, the parser could be optimized for speed, but, alas, this is not the case.