

**NAME**

virt-copy-out – Copy files and directories out of a virtual machine disk image.

**SYNOPSIS**

```
virt-copy-out -a disk.img /file|dir [/file|dir ...] localdir
```

```
virt-copy-out -d domain /file|dir [/file|dir ...] localdir
```

**DESCRIPTION**

virt-copy-out copies files and directories out of a virtual machine disk image or named libvirt domain.

You can give one or more filenames and directories on the command line. Directories are copied out recursively.

**EXAMPLES**

Download the home directories from a virtual machine:

```
mkdir homes
virt-copy-out -d MyGuest /home homes
```

**JUST A SHELL SCRIPT WRAPPER AROUND GUESTFISH**

This command is just a simple shell script wrapper around the **guestfish**(1) `copy-out` command. For anything more complex than a trivial copy, you are probably better off using **guestfish** directly.

**OPTIONS**

Since the shell script just passes options straight to **guestfish**, read **guestfish**(1) to see the full list of options.

**SEE ALSO**

**guestfish**(1), **virt-cat**(1), **virt-copy-in**(1), **virt-edit**(1), **virt-tar-in**(1), **virt-tar-out**(1), <http://libguestfs.org/>.

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