

NAME

virt-tar-out – Pack a virtual machine disk image directory into a tarball.

SYNOPSIS

```
virt-tar-out -a disk.img /dir files.tar
```

```
virt-tar-out -d domain /dir files.tar
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```
virt-tar-out -d domain /dir - | gzip --best > files.tar.gz
```

DESCRIPTION

virt-tar-out packs a virtual machine disk image directory into a tarball.

The first parameter is the absolute path of the virtual machine directory. The second parameter is the tar file to write. Use `-` to write to standard output.

EXAMPLES

Download the home directories from a guest:

```
virt-tar-out -d MyGuest /home - | gzip --best > homes.tar.gz
```

JUST A SHELL SCRIPT WRAPPER AROUND GUESTFISH

This command is just a simple shell script wrapper around the **guestfish**(1) `tar-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-copy-out**(1), **virt-edit**(1), **virt-tar-in**(1), <http://libguestfs.org/>.

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