# 1.Archive file folder to tar

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| tar -cvf name-of-archive.tar /path/to/directory-or-file  Here’s what those switches actually mean:   * -c: **C**reate an archive. * -v: Display progress in the terminal while creating the archive, also known as “**v**erbose” mode. The v is always optional in these commands, but it’s helpful. * -f: Allows you to specify the **f**ilename of the archive. |

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| Example  [root@TESTBED-VOD-CMS changeCP]# tar -cvf changeCP.tar \*  change\_cpid.sh  expireOffer.sh  getOfferToSend.sh  listId/  listId/change\_cpid\_list.txt  pushSDP.sh  reValidTime.sh |

# 2.Extract tar file

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| tar -xvf archive.tar   * -x: extract. * -v: Display progress in the terminal while creating the archive, also known as “**v**erbose” mode. The v is always optional in these commands, but it’s helpful. * -f: Allows you to specify the **f**ilename of the archive. |