**zip-x**

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**NAME**

zip-x -- command-line utility to extract a member from a zip file (and optionally indent the XML). Meant to be used from Emacs for inspecting MsOffice files.

**SYNOPSIS**

zip-x -x <zip\_archive\_name> <member\_name>

#or in more verbose form

zip-x -xml\_indent -zip <zip\_archive\_name> -member <member\_name>

**DESCRIPTION**

This very simple utility extracts a single member from a ZIP archive and outputs its contents on standard output.

With option -x or -xml\_indent, XML contents is reformatted with 2-spaces indentation for each node.

**EMACS USAGE**

The motivation for writing this app was to be able to inspect MsOffice files from within Emacs on a Windows machine. The arc.el module in Emacs knows how to list members of a ZIP file, but it needs an external "unzip" program to extract the contents of one particular member; besides, that unzipper must output its result on STDOUT so that it can be piped into Emacs.

To tell Emacs to use this app, you must customize (ESC-x customize-variable) the variable archive-zip-extract. Adding the -x option is highly recommanded.

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