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Chapter 1

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1.1 Tutorial: A program to automate dissolving of archived files

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Note: This is a subsidiary file to ARexxGuide.guide. We recommend using that file as the entry point to this and other parts of the full guide.

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1.2 ARexxGuide | Tutorial (3 of 3) | Uncrunch program

A complete program example

The program that follows is but one way to accomplish a task that is often one of the more tedious for those who use files from networks and bulletin boards: uncrunching files from archives created with a variety of archiving utilities.

This program provides a single, consistent CLI interface for the many different utilities.

View program The tutorial demonstrates the use of internal functions , the \leftarrow

instruction, comparison operators, and of the several built-in functions that allow manipulation of character strings.

Pressing any of the highlighted lines calls up explanatory text for that line. The explanations include extensive links to nodes elsewhere in this guide. Pressing any of those link points with the shift key depressed will

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open a new window for the link. If a new window is not opened, pressing -Retrace- will return the the program explanation node.

The complete text for this program is included in the file in the distribution archive: ARx_UnCrunch.rexx.

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1.3 ARexxGuide | Tutorials | UNCRUNCH.REXX

```
/**** UnCrunch.rexx ************ Unarchive any file ***********
     A tutorial example to ARexxGuide
**
*/
arg FileName UCdir .
if FileName = '?' then
   options prompt 'UCR FILENAME/A, DESTINATION/F: '
   pull FileName UCdir
end
if FileName = '' then
     call Usage ('You must supply the name of a file to uncrunch.')
   end
   else
     if ~exists(FileName) then
        call Usage(Can't open' FileName 'for input - object not found)
        exit 20
     end
if UCdir = '' then
   UCdir = 'RAM:'
else
    if right (UCdir, 1) ~= ':' & right (UCdir, 1) ~= '/' then
      UCdir = UCdir || '/'
ArcExt = upper(right(FileName, 3))
address command
select
   when ArcExt = 'LZH' | ArcExt = 'LHA' then
      /* Substitute 'lz' for 'lha'if you prefer to use it */
      'Lha -x x' FileName '#?' UcDir
   when ArcExt = 'ZOO' then
      call SetDest ('ZOO x//')
   when ArcExt = 'ARC' then
      call SetDest('ARC x')
   when ArcExt = 'ZIP' then
      call SetDest('UNZIP')
   otherwise
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say FileName 'is not valid archive'
       say 'Filename must end in "LZH", "LHA", "ZOO", "ZIP", or "ARC"'
       exit 11
 end
 exit
   /\star ZOO and ARC uncrunch all files to the current directory
  ** The following subroutine changes the current directory to that
                                                                        **
   ** specified for uncrunching
 SetDest:
   parse arg AProg
    cdir = pragma('D')
                                /* Store the current directory */
       /\star Change archive filename to a path/file that can be
                                                                   */
       /* understood from a different directory
    FDir = CDir
    select
       when pos(':', FileName) > 1 then
          FDir = ''
                    /* device is already specified. Don't change*/
       when left (FileName, 1) == '/' then
             /* Strip off leading '/' in filename */
       do while left(FileName, 1) == '/'
                                          /* is 1st char '/'? */
                                              /* strip it off */
          FileName = substr(FileName, 2)
          PLn = length(FDir) - 1
          DivPos = max(lastpos('/', FDir,Pln),,
                            lastpos(':', FDir, Pln))
          FDir = left(FDir, DivPos)
       end
       when left(FileName, 1) = ':' then
         parse var CDir FDir ':' .
       otherwise
          if verify(right(FDir, 1), '/:', 'M') \sim= 0 then
             FDir = FDir'/'
    end
    FileName = FDir||FileName
      /* Perform the uncrunching
                                                                   */
    'cd \
     ''AProg'\
    'cd "'CDir'"'
 return
Usage:
   if arg(1, 'E') then
     say arg(1)
    say 'Usage:'
    say ' ucr <filename> [destination]'
              <filename> must end with valid archive extension.'
              [destination] is the dir in which files will be uncrunched.'
   say ''
    exit 20
 end
```

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