



Can your diff(1) do this?!

Improving software review & QA with diffoscope

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Message #10 received at 400550@bugs.debian.org ([full text](#), [mbox](#), [reply](#)):

From: Chris Lamb <chris@chris-lamb.co.uk>
To: 400550@bugs.debian.org
Date: Tue, 19 Dec 2006 12:44:56 +0000

[[Message part 1](#) (text/plain, inline)]

Tags: patch

Regards,

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Chris Lamb, Cambridgeshire, UK

GPG: 0x634F9A20

[[400550.diff](#) (text/x-patch, attachment)]

[[signature.asc](#) (application/pgp-signature, attachment)]

Tags added: patch Request was from Chris Lamb <chris@chris-lamb.co.uk> to control@bu

#400550

[Message #19](#) received at 400550@bugs.debian.org ([full text](#), [mbox](#), [reply](#)):

From: Thomas Bushnell BSG <tb@becket.net>
To: Chris Lamb <chris@chris-lamb.co.uk>, 400550@bugs.debian.org
Subject: Re: Bug#400550: (no subject)
Date: Tue, 19 Dec 2006 10:15:51 -0800

[[Message part 1](#) (text/plain, inline)]

On Tue, 2006-12-19 at 12:44 +0000, Chris Lamb wrote:

> Tags: patch

Rock on, many thanks. I'll upload this and there's a decent chance it will be allowed into etch.

Thomas

[[signature.asc](#) (application/pgp-signature, inline)]

Why diffoscope?

Source code available for free software...

... everyone runs binaries

Do they correspond?

Build farms

Developer's machines

Blackmail, law-enforcement...

1. Ensure build have identical results
2. Multiple parties compare results
3. Attacker must infect everybody simultaneously

Identical results?

```
$ sha1sum *.deb
```

```
6f84a299013682203ca2c8345b7b1735e5c575ff a.deb
```

```
85ced2fcdced7a7c3ad31c5e1fa382665e3922f0 b.deb
```

```

$ diff -urNad a.deb b.deb | head -n10
--- a.deb          2018-01-23 11:47:11.829950207 +1100
+++ b.deb          2018-01-23 11:47:16.333977828 +1100
@@ -1,603 +1,643 @@
 !<arch>
 debian-binary    1496485532  0      0      100644  4
 2.0
 -control.tar.xz  1496485532  0      0      100644  1664
 -7zXZF
      P! 4M' ]
      >y&Y0x$rD-<j_
+control.tar.xz  1496485532  0      0      100644  1668
+7zXZF
      P!  ' ]
      >y&Y0x$rD-<j_

```

```

$ diff -urNad <(xxd a.deb) <(xxd b.deb) | head -n20
--- /proc/self/fd/13      2018-01-23 11:51:56.299697293 +1100
+++ /proc/self/fd/14      2018-01-23 11:51:56.299697293 +1100
@@ -5,10 +5,10 @@
 00000040: 2020 600a 322e 300a 636f 6e74 726f 6c2e      `..2.0.control.
 00000050: 7461 722e 787a 2020 3134 3936 3438 3535      tar.xz 14964855
 00000060: 3332 2020 3020 2020 2020 3020 2020 2020      32 0 0
-00000070: 3130 3036 3434 2020 3136 3634 2020 2020      100644 1664
+00000070: 3130 3036 3434 2020 3136 3638 2020 2020      100644 1668
 00000080: 2020 600a fd37 7a58 5a00 0004 e6d6 b446      `..7zXZ.....F
-00000090: 04c0 bf0c 8050 2101 1600 0000 0000 0000      .....P!.....
-000000a0: 8adc 344d e027 ff06 375d 0017 0bbc 1c7d      ..4M.'..7].....}
+00000090: 04c0 c30c 8050 2101 1600 0000 0000 0000      .....P!.....
+000000a0: e2fe ae8d e027 ff06 3b5d 0017 0bbc 1c7d      .....';].....}
 000000b0: 0195 c01d 4a3e 7915 c2cc 26a3 5930 12c7      ....J>y...&.Y0..
 000000c0: 788e 24a0 72a5 b416 6144 2d0f 073c 6a5f      x$.r...aD-...<j_
 000000d0: 0ad7 2255 a796 3502 6c20 fa2a 3248 5c80      .."U..5.l .*2H\
@@ -52,10105 +52,10099 @@
 00000330: f7c4 ab30 9b57 c0fb 161f 96fd 789f 8cc0      ...0.W.....x...
 00000340: 3683 9e02 b7de e805 98ea a09f a4af aaa1      6.....
 00000350: 6575 7d72 d91b 1252 9e39 d172 025c d429      eu}r...R.9.r.\.)

```

```
$ ar x a.deb && ar x b.deb
```

```
$ diff -urNad <(xxd a-control.tar.xz) <(xxd b-control.tar.xz) | head -n10
```

```
--- /proc/self/fd/13      2018-01-23 12:24:53.316388212 +1100
```

```
+++ /proc/self/fd/14      2018-01-23 12:24:53.316388212 +1100
```

```
@@ -1,6 +1,6 @@
```

```
-00000000: fd37 7a58 5a00 0004 e6d6 b446 04c0 bf0c  .7zXZ.....F....
```

```
-00000010: 8050 2101 1600 0000 0000 0000 8adc 344d  .P!.....4M
```

```
-00000020: e027 ff06 375d 0017 0bbc 1c7d 0195 c01d  .'..7].....}....
```

```
+00000000: fd37 7a58 5a00 0004 e6d6 b446 04c0 c30c  .7zXZ.....F....
```

```
+00000010: 8050 2101 1600 0000 0000 0000 e2fe ae8d  .P!.....
```

```
+00000020: e027 ff06 3b5d 0017 0bbc 1c7d 0195 c01d  .'..;].....}....
```

```
 00000030: 4a3e 7915 c2cc 26a3 5930 12c7 788e 24a0  J>y...&.Y0..x.$.
```

```
$ unxz a-control.tar.xz && unxz b-control.tar.xz
```

```
$ diff -urNad <(xxd a-control.tar) <(xxd b-control.tar) | head -n10
```

```
--- /proc/self/fd/13      2018-01-23 12:26:28.564994785 +1100
+++ /proc/self/fd/14      2018-01-23 12:26:28.564994785 +1100
@@ -158,8 +158,8 @@
 000009d0: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
 000009e0: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
 000009f0: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
-00000a00: 3031 3063 3964 6534 6461 6434 3562 6137 010c9de4dad45ba7
-00000a10: 3661 6265 6231 6539 3932 3032 6164 3132 6abeb1e99202ad12
+00000a00: 3436 3135 3165 3139 3236 3631 6162 3663 46151e192661ab6c
+00000a10: 6366 6234 3136 3737 3833 3166 3639 3534 cfb41677831f6954
```



```
$ tar xf a-control.tar && tar xf b-control.tar
```

```
$ diff -urNad a-md5sums b-md5sums
```

```
--- a-md5sums      2017-06-03 20:25:32.000000000 +1000
```

```
+++ b-md5sums      2017-06-03 20:25:32.000000000 +1000
```

```
@@ -1,4 +1,4 @@
```

```
-010c9de4dad45ba76abeb1e99202ad12  usr/bin/pnmixer
```

```
+46151e192661ab6ccfb41677831f6954  usr/bin/pnmixer
```

```
7a14b41780e873903f62d14dd16edc25  usr/share/applications/pnmixer.desktop
```

```
3d244715045bc4e9f2417fa4fd652cb8  usr/share/doc/pnmixer/README.md.gz
```

```
b9e4e837497f0f1b41bbcb26553eb8a4  usr/share/doc/pnmixer/changelog.Debian.gz
```


I SHOULD BUILD A BETTER DIFF



```
commit 89839110981250378de1276ba8fb8a9c75f65df2
Author: Jérémy Bobbio <lunar@debian.org>
Date:   Sun Sep 28 17:44:06 2014 +0200
```

Initial commit for debbindiff

The version is successfully able to report differences in two
.changes file. Not with much interesting details, but it's a start.

```
$ diffoscope a b  
--- a  
+++ b  
@@ -1 +1 @@  
-foo  
+bar
```

Archive formats

```
$ tar cf a.tar a
```

```
$ tar cf b.tar b
```

```
$ diffoscope a.tar b.tar
```

```
--- a.tar
```

```
+++ b.tar
```

```
— file list
```

```
@@ -1 +1 @@
```

```
--rw-r--r-- 0 lamby (1000) lamby (1000) 4 2018-01-22 22:31:51.000000 a
```

```
+rw-r--r-- 0 lamby (1000) lamby (1000) 4 2018-01-22 22:31:50.000000 b
```

```
--- a
```

```
— +++ b
```

```
@@ -1 +1 @@
```

```
-foo
```

```
+bar
```

Compressed formats

```
$ gzip a.tar
```

```
$ gzip b.tar
```

```
$ diffoscope a.tar.gz b.tar.gz
```

```
--- a.tar.gz
```

```
+++ b.tar.gz
```

```
— filetype from file(1)
```

```
@@ -1 +1 @@
```

```
-gzip compressed data, was "a.tar", last modified: Mon Jan 22 22:32:04 2018, from Unix
```

```
+gzip compressed data, was "b.tar", last modified: Mon Jan 22 22:32:08 2018, from Unix
```

```
--- a.tar
```

```
— +++ b.tar
```

```
— file list
```

```
@@ -1 +1 @@
```

```
--rw-r--r-- 0 lamby (1000) lamby (1000) 4 2018-01-22 22:31:51.000000 a
```

```
+rw-r--r-- 0 lamby (1000) lamby (1000) 4 2018-01-22 22:31:50.000000 b
```

```
--- a
```

```
— +++ b
```

```
@@ -1 +1 @@
```

```
-foo
```

```
+bar
```

Recursive

```
├─ hunspell-de-de_20131206-5_all.deb
│  └─ control.tar.gz
│     └─ control.tar
│        └─ md5sums
│           └─ Files in package differs
├─ data.tar.xz
│  └─ data.tar
│     └─ ./usr/share/hunspell/de_DE.aff
│        @@ -1,11 +1,11 @@
│        # this is the affix file of the de_DE Hunspell dictionary
│        # derived from the igerman98 dictionary
│        #
│        -# Version: 20131206 (build 20150801)
│        +# Version: 20131206 (build 20150802)
│        #
```


Line ordering

```
$ cat a           $ cat b
These            These
lines           order
are             are
in             in
order          lines
```

```
$ diffoscope a b
--- a
+++ b
|... ordering differences only
@@ -1,5 +1,5 @@
  These
- lines
+ order
  are
  in
- order
+ lines
```

HTML output

test1.sqlite3 vs.
test2.sqlite3

219 B

sqlite3 {} .dump

193 B

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```
1 PRAGMA foreign_keys=OFF;  
2 BEGIN TRANSACTION;  
3 CREATE TABLE test (value val);  
4 INSERT INTO test VALUES(1);  
5 COMMIT;
```

```
1 PRAGMA foreign_keys=OFF;  
2 BEGIN TRANSACTION;  
3 CREATE TABLE test (value val);  
4 INSERT INTO test VALUES(2);  
5 COMMIT;
```

Android boot ROMs, Android APKs, ar archives, bzip2 files, Coreboot cbfs, CPIO archives, Dalvik dex file, Debian packages, device (mknod), device tree globs, directories, docx, ELF binaries, ext filesystem images, fontconfig cache dirs, fonts, gettext catalogues, GIF images, Git repositories, GZip files, Haskell binaries, ICC colour profiles, ISO images, Java, bytecode, Javascript, JSON, LLVM binaries, Macho binaries, Mono executables, odt documentens, Ogg borbis, OpenSSH keys, Pascal binaries, PDF files, PGP/GPG keys, PNG images, PostScript, RPM images, R statistical data, Rust binaries, SQLite databases, squashfs images, symlinks, tar archives, tcpdump dumps, text files, XML documents, XZ files, ZIP archives ...

Android images

test1.apk vs.
test2.apk

1.5 KB

zipinfo /dev/stdin

348 B

Offset 1, 3 lines modified	Offset 1, 3 lines modified
1 Zip file size: 866 bytes, number of entries: 1	1 Zip file size: 864 bytes, number of entries: 1
2 -rw----- 2.0 fat 2096 bl-defN 80-Jan-01 02:00 AndroidManifest.xml	2 -rw----- 2.0 fat 2096 bl-defN 80-Jan-01 02:00 AndroidManifest.xml
3 1 file, 2096 bytes uncompressed, 714 bytes compressed: .. 65.9%	3 1 file, 2096 bytes uncompressed, 712 bytes compressed: .. 66.0%

AndroidManifest.xml (decoded)

942 B

AndroidManifest.xml

884 B

Offset 1, 9 lines modified	Offset 1, 9 lines modified
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>	1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <manifest android:versionCode="1" android:versionName="1.0" package="com.any.any" platformBuildVersionCode="24" platformBuildVersionName="7.0.0" xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">	2 <manifest android:versionCode="2" android:versionName="2.0" package="com.any.any" platformBuildVersionCode="24" platformBuildVersionName="7.0.0" xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">
3 ..<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET"/>	3 ..<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET"/>
4 ..<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION"/>	4 ..<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION"/>
5 ..<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION"/>	5 ..<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION"/>
6 ..<application>	6 ..<application>
7<activity android:name="com.any.any.SomeActivity">	7<activity android:name="com.any.any.SomeActivity">
8<intent-filter>	8<intent-filter>
9<action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN"/>	9<action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN"/>

APK metadata

224 B

Offset 11, 9 lines modified	Offset 11, 9 lines modified
11 unknownFiles: {}	11 unknownFiles: {}
12 usesFramework:	12 usesFramework:
13 ..ids:	13 ..ids:
14 ...1	14 ...1
15 ..tag: null	15 ..tag: null
16 version: 2.3.2-dirty	16 version: 2.3.2-dirty
17 versionInfo:	17 versionInfo:
18 ..versionCode: '1'	18 ..versionCode: '2'
19 ..versionName: '1.0'	19 ..versionName: '2.0'

Berkeley DB databases

Berkeley DB file

1.64 KB

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9 » magic: 0x53162	9 » magic: 0x53162
10 » version: 9	10 » version: 9
11 » pagesize: 4096	11 » pagesize: 4096
12 » type: 9	12 » type: 9
13 » metaflags: 0	13 » metaflags: 0
14 » keys: 0 » records: 0	14 » keys: 0 » records: 0
15 » free_list: 0	15 » free_list: 0
16 » last_pgno: 7	16 » last_pgno: 3
17 » flags: 0x20 (multiple-databases)	17 » flags: 0x20 (multiple-databases)
18 » minkey: 2	18 » minkey: 2
19 » root: 1	19 » root: 1
20 page 1: btree leaf: LSN [0][1]: level 1	20 page 1: btree leaf: LSN [0][1]: level 1
21 » prev: 0 next: 0 entries: 6 offset: 4000	21 » prev: 0 next: 0 entries: 2 offset: 4064
22 » [000] 4040 len: 19 data: unstable main amd64	22 » [000] 4072 len: 19 data: compressedfilelists
23 » [001] 4032 len: 4 data: 00000004	23 » [001] 4064 len: 4 data: 00000002
24 » [002] 4072 len: 18 data: unstable main 1386	
25 » [003] 4064 len: 4 data: 00000002	
26 » [004] 4008 len: 20 data: unstable main source	
27 » [005] 4000 len: 4 data: 00000006	
28 page 2: btree metadata: LSN [0][1]: level 0	24 page 2: btree metadata: LSN [0][1]: level 0
29 » magic: 0x53162	25 » magic: 0x53162
30 » version: 9	26 » version: 9
31 » pagesize: 4096	27 » pagesize: 4096
32 » type: 9	28 » type: 9
33 » metaflags: 0	29 » metaflags: 0
34 » keys: 0 » records: 0	30 » keys: 0 » records: 0
35 » free_list: 0	31 » free_list: 0
36 » last_pgno: 2	32 » last_pgno: 2
37 » flags: 0x20 (multiple-databases)	33 » flags: 0x20 (multiple-databases)
38 » minkey: 2	34 » minkey: 2
39 » root: 3	35 » root: 3
40 page 3: btree leaf: LSN [0][1]: level 1	36 page 3: btree leaf: LSN [0][1]: level 1
41 » prev: 0 next: 0 entries: 0 offset: 4096	37 » prev: 0 next: 0 entries: 0 offset: 4096
42 page 4: btree metadata: LSN [0][1]: level 0	
43 » magic: 0x53162	
44 » version: 9	
45 » pagesize: 4096	
46 » type: 9	
47 » metaflags: 0	
48 » keys: 0 » records: 0	
49 » free_list: 0	
50 » last_pgno: 4	
51 » flags: 0x20 (multiple-databases)	
52 » minkey: 2	
53 » root: 5	
54 page 5: btree leaf: LSN [0][1]: level 1	
55 » prev: 0 next: 0 entries: 0 offset: 4096	

Microsoft Word .docx

test1.docx vs.
test2.docx

54.0 B

docx2txt

34.0 B

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1 b

E-books

test1.epub vs.
test2.epub

3.38 KB

zipinfo /dev/stdin

1.52 KB

```
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1 Zip file size: 3320 bytes, number of entries: 9
2 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 20 b - stor 15-Oct-27 11:32 mimetype
3 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 246 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32 META-
  INF/container.xml
4 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 160 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32 META-
  INF/com.apple.ibooks.display-options.xml
5 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 439 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32
  stylesheet.css
6 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 529 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32
  title_page.xhtml
7 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 1129 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32 content.
  opf
8 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 742 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32 toc.ncx
9 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 655 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32 nav.
  xhtml
10 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 615 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:32 ch001.
  xhtml
11 9 files, 4535 bytes uncompressed, 2328 bytes compressed: 48.7%

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1 Zip file size: 3317 bytes, number of entries: 9
2 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 20 b - stor 15-Oct-27 11:33 mimetype
3 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 246 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33 META-
  INF/container.xml
4 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 160 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33 META-
  INF/com.apple.ibooks.display-options.xml
5 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 439 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33
  stylesheet.css
6 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 529 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33
  title_page.xhtml
7 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 1129 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33 content.
  opf
8 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 742 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33 toc.ncx
9 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 655 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33 nav.
  xhtml
10 -rw-----0.0 fat ..... 615 b - defX 15-Oct-27 11:33 ch001.
  xhtml
11 9 files, 4535 bytes uncompressed, 2325 bytes compressed: 48.7%
```

content.opf

1.0 KB

```
Offset 1, 13 lines modified
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2 <package version="2.0" xmlns="http://www.idpf.org/2007/opf"
  unique-identifier="epub-id-1">
3   ..<metadata xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
  xmlns:opf="http://www.idpf.org/2007/opf">
4     ....<dc:identifier id="epub-id-1">urn:uuid:488fe0b5-29d9-
  4d64-a023-ca08947d78ae</dc:identifier>
5     ....<dc:title id="epub-title-1">Test Ebook</dc:title>
6     ....<dc:date id="epub-date-1">2015-10-27T11:32:54Z</dc:date>
7     ....<dc:language>en-US</dc:language>
8   ..</metadata>
9   ..<manifest>
10     ....<item id="ncx" href="toc.ncx" media-type="application/x-
  dtbncx+xml" />
11     ....<item id="style" href="stylesheet.css" media-type="text/
  css" />
12     ....<item id="nav" href="nav.xhtml" media-type="application/
  xhtml+xml" />
13     ....<item id="title_page_xhtml" href="title_page.xhtml"
  media-type="application/xhtml+xml" />

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1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2 <package version="2.0" xmlns="http://www.idpf.org/2007/opf"
  unique-identifier="epub-id-1">
3   ..<metadata xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
  xmlns:opf="http://www.idpf.org/2007/opf">
4     ....<dc:identifier id="epub-id-1">urn:uuid:c3082605-195c-
  4273-acad-528beceba843</dc:identifier>
5     ....<dc:title id="epub-title-1">Test Ebook</dc:title>
6     ....<dc:date id="epub-date-1">2015-10-27T11:33:20Z</dc:date>
7     ....<dc:language>en-US</dc:language>
8   ..</metadata>
9   ..<manifest>
10     ....<item id="ncx" href="toc.ncx" media-type="application/x-
  dtbncx+xml" />
11     ....<item id="style" href="stylesheet.css" media-type="text/
  css" />
12     ....<item id="nav" href="nav.xhtml" media-type="application/
  xhtml+xml" />
13     ....<item id="title_page_xhtml" href="title_page.xhtml"
  media-type="application/xhtml+xml" />
```

toc.ncx

536 B

```
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1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2 <ncx version="2005-1" xmlns="http://www.daisy.org/z3986/2005/

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1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2 <ncx version="2005-1" xmlns="http://www.daisy.org/z3986/2005/
```

Mono binaries

test1.exe vs.
test2.exe

398 B

pedump {}

380 B

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```
1 COFF-Header:
2 » .....Machine: 0x014c
3 » .....Sections: 0x0003
4 » .....Time stamp: 0x55a2d5bb
5 » Pointer to Symbol Table: 0x00000000
6 » .....Symbol Count: 0x00000000
7 » .....Optional Header Size: 0x00e0
8 » .....Characteristics: 0x0102

9 PE-Header:
10 » .....Magic (0x010b): 0x010b
```

```
1 COFF-Header:
2 » .....Machine: 0x014c
3 » .....Sections: 0x0003
4 » .....Time stamp: 0x55a2d5bd
5 » Pointer to Symbol Table: 0x00000000
6 » .....Symbol Count: 0x00000000
7 » .....Optional Header Size: 0x00e0
8 » .....Characteristics: 0x0102

9 PE-Header:
10 » .....Magic (0x010b): 0x010b
```

git (1) repositories

test1.git-index vs.
test2.git-index

463 B

test1.git-index vs.
test2.git-index

433 B

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```
10 User ID:···1000
11 Group ID:···1000
12 Created:···1471689380.154572964
13 Modified:···1471689380.154572964
14 Inode:·····52205983
15 Device ID:·(8,·6)
```

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```
10 User ID:···1000
11 Group ID:···1000
12 Created:···1471689380.154572964
13 Modified:···1471689380.154572964
14 Inode:·····52205983
15 Device ID:·(8,·6)
16 Path:·····b'b'
17 SHA:·····e69de29bb2d1d6434b8b29ae775ad8c2e48c5391
18 Size:·····0
19 Flags:·····0b1
20 User ID:···1000
21 Group ID:···1000
22 Created:···1471689417.184218147
23 Modified:···1471689417.184218147
24 Inode:·····52206041
25 Device ID:·(8,·6)
```

Gnumeric spreadsheets

test1.gnumeric vs.
test2.gnumeric

68.0 B

ssconvert

40.0 B

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1 foo

1 bar

ISO images

a.iso vs.
b.iso

74.6 KB

live/filesystem.squashfs

74.3 KB

unsquashfs -s {}

470 B

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1 Found a valid SQUASHFS 4:0 superblock	1 Found a valid SQUASHFS 4:0 superblock
2 Creation or last append time Wed Jan 17 16:08:29 2018	2 Creation or last append time Thu Jan 25 16:46:09 2018
3 Filesystem size 1139612.52 Kbytes (1112.90 Mbytes)	3 Filesystem size 1139612.62 Kbytes (1112.90 Mbytes)
4 Compression xz	4 Compression xz
5 » Dictionary size 1048576	5 » Dictionary size 1048576
6 » Filters selected: x86	6 » Filters selected: x86
7 Block size 1048576	7 Block size 1048576
8 Filesystem is not exportable via NFS	8 Filesystem is not exportable via NFS
9 Inodes are compressed	9 Inodes are compressed
10 Data is compressed	10 Data is compressed

unsquashfs -d " -lls {}

7.72 KB



Tails

the **amnesic** incognito **live** system

Image content

5.79 KB

Pixel difference



Flicker difference



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JSON

```
$ cat a.json  
{"key": "value", "other-key": "after"}
```

```
$ cat b.json  
{"other-key": "before", "key": "value"}
```

```
$ diffoscope a.json b.json  
--- a.json  
+++ b.json  
|  
|   --- a.json  
|   +++ b.json  
|@@ -1,4 +1,4 @@  
|   {  
|       "key": "value",  
|   -   "other-key": "after"  
|   +   "other-key": "before"  
|   }
```


OpenDocument text documents

test1.odt vs. test2.odt	58.0 B
odt2txt Offset 1, 3 lines modified	40.0 B
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Ogg audio files

oggDump

35.1 KB

Offset 1, 108 lines modified	Offset 1, 102 lines modified
1 Found vorbis stream with ID= 0x5d79	1 Found vorbis stream with ID= 0xeb4dfcaa
2 Ogg Page: header length = 28 and body length = 30	2 Ogg Page: header length = 28 and body length = 30
3 Header Information:	3 Header Information:
4 » Ogg Version : 0	4 » Ogg Version : 0
5 » Serial No : 0x5d79	5 » Serial No : 0xeb4dfcaa
6 » Packet Type : fresh packet	6 » Packet Type : fresh packet
7 » Page Type : begin of stream marker	7 » Page Type : begin of stream marker
8 » Last Page : normal page	8 » Last Page : normal page
9 » Granule Position : 0(0x0)	9 » Granule Position : 0(0x0)
10 » Page Number : 0	10 » Page Number : 0
11 » Checksum : 0x83300c0a	11 » Checksum : 0x686500e6
12 » Table Segments : 1	12 » Table Segments : 1
13 Segments:	13 Segments:
14 .1e	14 .1e
15 Header Hex dump:	15 Header Hex dump:
16 4f 67 67 53 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 79 5d	16 4f 67 67 53 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 aa fc
17 00 00 00 00 00 00 0a 0c 30 83 01 1e	17 4d eb 00 00 00 00 e6 00 65 68 01 1e
18 Body Hex dump:	18 Body Hex dump:
19 01 76 6f 72 62 69 73 00 00 00 00 02 44 ac 00 00 ff ff ff ff	19 01 76 6f 72 62 69 73 00 00 00 00 02 44 ac 00 00 00 00 00 00 80 b5 01 00 00 00 00 b8 01
20 Ogg Page: header length = 44 and body length = 4153	20 Ogg Page: header length = 44 and body length = 3896
21 Header Information:	21 Header Information:
22 » Ogg Version : 0	22 » Ogg Version : 0
23 » Serial No : 0x5d79	23 » Serial No : 0xeb4dfcaa
24 » Packet Type : fresh packet	24 » Packet Type : fresh packet
25 » Page Type : normal page	25 » Page Type : normal page
26 » Last Page : normal page	26 » Last Page : normal page
27 » Granule Position : 0(0x0)	27 » Granule Position : 0(0x0)
28 » Page Number : 1	28 » Page Number : 1
29 » Checksum : 0x9b00a0ae	29 » Checksum : 0xea fd 68 da
30 » Table Segments : 17	30 » Table Segments : 17
31 Segments:	31 Segments:
32 49 ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff	32 40 ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff
33 ff	33 07
34 Header Hex dump:	34 Header Hex dump:
35 4f 67 67 53 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 79 5d	35 4f 67 67 53 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 aa fc
36 00 00 01 00 00 00 ae a0 00 9b 11 49 ff ff ff ff	36 4d eb 01 00 00 00 da 68 fd ea 11 40 ff ff ff ff
37 ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff	37 ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff 07
38 Body Hex dump:	38 Body Hex dump:
39 03 76 6f 72 62 69 73 39 00 00 00 42 53 3b 20 4c 61 6e 63 65	39 03 76 6f 72 62 69 73 0d 00 00 00 4c 61 76 66 35 37 2e 35 36
72 28 53 53 45 29 20 5b 32 30 30 36	72 2e 31 30 31 01 00 00 00 1f 00 00 00
04 04 04 05 00 00 00 04 70 05 04 00 05 04 05 04 75	05 04 00 05 04 05 70 04 15 04 70 00 05 07 04 00 04 00

tcpdump (1) capture files

tcpdump

613 KB

stderr from `tcpdump -X -nn -tttt -r test1.pcap`:
reading from file test1.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
stderr from `tcpdump -X -nn -tttt -r test2.pcap`:
reading from file test2.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)

Offset 1, 299 lines modified		Offset 1, 158 lines modified	
1	00:00:00.000000 IP 172.17.0.1.5353 > 224.0.0.251.5353: 0 PTR (QM)? _googlecast._tcp.local. (40)	1	00:00:00.000000 IP 172.17.0.1.44220 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 172
2	>> 0x0000: 4500 0044 3cec 4000 0111 afaf ac11 0001 E.. D<.@.....	2	>> 0x0000: 4500 00c8 4b36 4000 0111 91e2 ac11 0001 E.. K6@.....
3	>> 0x0010: e000 00fb 14e9 14e9 0030 8d4f 0000 00000.0....	3	>> 0x0010: efff fffa acbc 076c 00b4 9cd2 4d2d 5345 l...M-SE
4	>> 0x0020: 0001 0000 0000 0000 0b5f 676f 6f67 6c65 _google		
5	>> 0x0030: 6361 7374 045f 7463 7005 6c6f 6361 6c00 .. cast._tcp.local.		
6	>> 0x0040: 000c 0001 cal.....		
7	00:00:00.000036 IP6 fe80::42:84ff:fe0a:124b.5353 > ff02::fb.5353: 0 PTR (QM)? _googlecast._tcp.local. (40)		
8	>> 0x0000: 600a 59c7 0030 1101 fe80 0000 0000 0000 .. Y..@.....		
9	>> 0x0010: 0042 84ff fe0a 124b ff02 0000 0000 0000 ..B.K.....		
10	>> 0x0020: 0000 0000 0000 00fb 14e9 14e9 0030 9457W.....		
11	>> 0x0030: 0000 0000 0001 0000 0000 0000 0b5f 676f _go		
12	>> 0x0040: 6f67 6c65 6361 7374 045f 7463 7005 6c6f .. oglecast._tcp.lo		
13	>> 0x0050: 6361 6c00 000c 0001 cal.....		
14	00:00:00.000090 IP6 fe80::50fc:25ff:fe42:cef1.5353 > ff02::fb.5353: 0 PTR (QM)? _googlecast._tcp.local. (40)		
15	>> 0x0000: 600d e287 0030 1101 fe80 0000 0000 0000 .. .@.....		
16	>> 0x0010: 50fc 25ff fe42 cef1 ff02 0000 0000 0000 ..P. %..B.....		
17	>> 0x0020: 0000 0000 0000 00fb 14e9 14e9 0030 42f00B.....		
18	>> 0x0030: 0000 0000 0001 0000 0000 0000 0b5f 676f _go		
19	>> 0x0040: 6f67 6c65 6361 7374 045f 7463 7005 6c6f .. oglecast._tcp.lo		
20	>> 0x0050: 6361 6c00 000c 0001 cal.....		
21	00:00:00.001299 IP 172.17.0.1.5353 > 224.0.0.251.5353: 0 PTR (QM)? _googlecast._tcp.local. (40)		
22	>> 0x0000: 4500 0044 3ced 4000 0111 afae ac11 0001 E.. D<.@.....		
23	>> 0x0010: e000 00fb 14e9 14e9 0030 8d4f 0000 00000.0....		

PDF

test1.pdf vs.
test2.pdf

852 B

pdftotext {} -

86.0 B

```
Offset 1, 3 lines modified
1 Hello·World!
2 \xc

Offset 1, 3 lines modified
1 Hello·Sick·Sad·World!
2 \xc
```

pdftk {} output - uncompress

748 B

```
Offset 11, 23 lines modified
11 /Kids·[3·0·R]
12 /Type·/Pages
13 /Count·1
14 >>
15 endobj·
16 4·0·obj·
17 <<
18 /Length·85
19 >>
20 stream
21 q

22 BT
23 36.0·747.384·Td
24 /F1.0·12·Tf
25 [<48656c6c6f2057>·30·<6f72>·-15·<6c6421>]·TJ
26 ET

27 Q

28 endstream·
29 endobj·
30 3·0·obj·

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61 /Producer·<feff0050007200610077006e>
62 >>
63 endobj·xref
64 0·7
65 0000000000·65535·f·
66 0000000015·00000·n·
67 0000000066·00000·n·
68 0000000263·00000·n·
69 0000000125·00000·n·
70 0000000462·00000·n·
71 0000000561·00000·n·
72 trailer

73 <<
74 /Info·6·0·R
```

```
Offset 11, 23 lines modified
11 /Kids·[3·0·R]
12 /Type·/Pages
13 /Count·1
14 >>
15 endobj·
16 4·0·obj·
17 <<
18 /Length·109
19 >>
20 stream
21 q

22 BT
23 36.0·747.384·Td
24 /F1.0·12·Tf
25 [<48656c6c6f20536963>·20·<6b205361642057>·30·<6f72>·-15·
<6c6421>]·TJ
26 ET

27 Q

28 endstream·
29 endobj·
30 3·0·obj·

Offset 61, 21 lines modified
61 /Producer·<feff0050007200610077006e>
62 >>
63 endobj·xref
64 0·7
65 0000000000·65535·f·
66 0000000015·00000·n·
67 0000000066·00000·n·
68 0000000288·00000·n·
69 0000000125·00000·n·
70 0000000487·00000·n·
71 0000000586·00000·n·
72 trailer

73 <<
74 /Info·6·0·R
```

XML documents

test1.xml vs.
test2.xml

453 B

test1.xml vs.
test2.xml

435 B

Offset 1, 9 lines modified

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <note>
3   ..<style id="night-mode-pro-style" type="text/css"/>
4   ..<link id="night-mode-pro-link" rel="stylesheet" type="text/
css"/>
5   ..<to>Tove</to>
6   ..<from>Jani</from>
7   ..<heading>Reminder</heading>
8   ..<body>Don't forget me this weekend!</body>
9 </note>
```

Offset 1, 9 lines modified

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <note>
3   ..<style id="night-mode-pro-style" type="text/css"/>
4   ..<link id="night-mode-pro-link" rel="stylesheet" type="text/
css"/>
5   ..<to>Jani</to>
6   ..<from>Toni</from>
7   ..<heading>Re: Reminder</heading>
8   ..<body>Pick me up on 5!</body>
9 </note>
```


Getting started

try.diffoscope.org

Fork me on GitHub



Try diffoscope now...

diffoscope is a tool to get to the bottom of what makes files or directories different. It recursively unpacks archives of many kinds and transforms various binary formats into more human readable forms to compare them.

File #1 (max: 60MB)

Choose file No f...sen

File #2 (max: 60MB)

Choose file No f...sen

Upload & compare files

```
$ sudo apt install trydiffoscope
```

```
$ trydiffoscope /path/to/file1 /path/to/file2 [--webbrowser]
```

or

```
$ trydiffoscope --webbrowser /path/to/file1 /path/to/file2
```

```
$ sudo apt install diffoscope --install-recommends=no
```

```
$ diffoscope /path/to/file1 /path/to/file2
```

Using diffractometer for QA, etc.

Just see changes you expect

(demo)

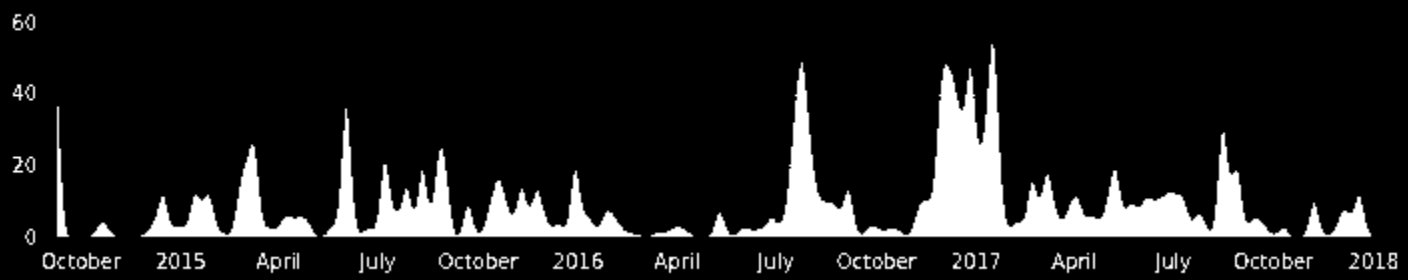
Seeing "no" changes

Security "releases"

Index of /firmware/netgear

<u>Name</u>	<u>Last modified</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Description</u>
 Parent Directory		-	
 GS7xxTP_V5.2.0.9.ros	2013-02-18 10:20	3.7M	
 GS105E_v1.02.04.HEX	2013-02-03 21:25	2.4M	
 GS108EV2_V1.00.12.bin	2013-06-11 17:14	256K	
 GS108Tv2_GS110TP_V5.4.2.9.stk	2013-09-02 22:48	3.9M	
 GS110T_v5.4.0.6.stk	2012-10-12 22:49	4.0M	
 gsm72xxv2-V8.0.1.36.stk	2012-05-12 00:49	7.6M	

Current status



nose2

Test Details

notes

Test history

Filter by: amd64 i386
arm64 armhf

Suite and Architecture

amd64

- 0.6.5-2 in stretch
- 0.6.5-2 in buster
- 0.7.3-1 in unstable

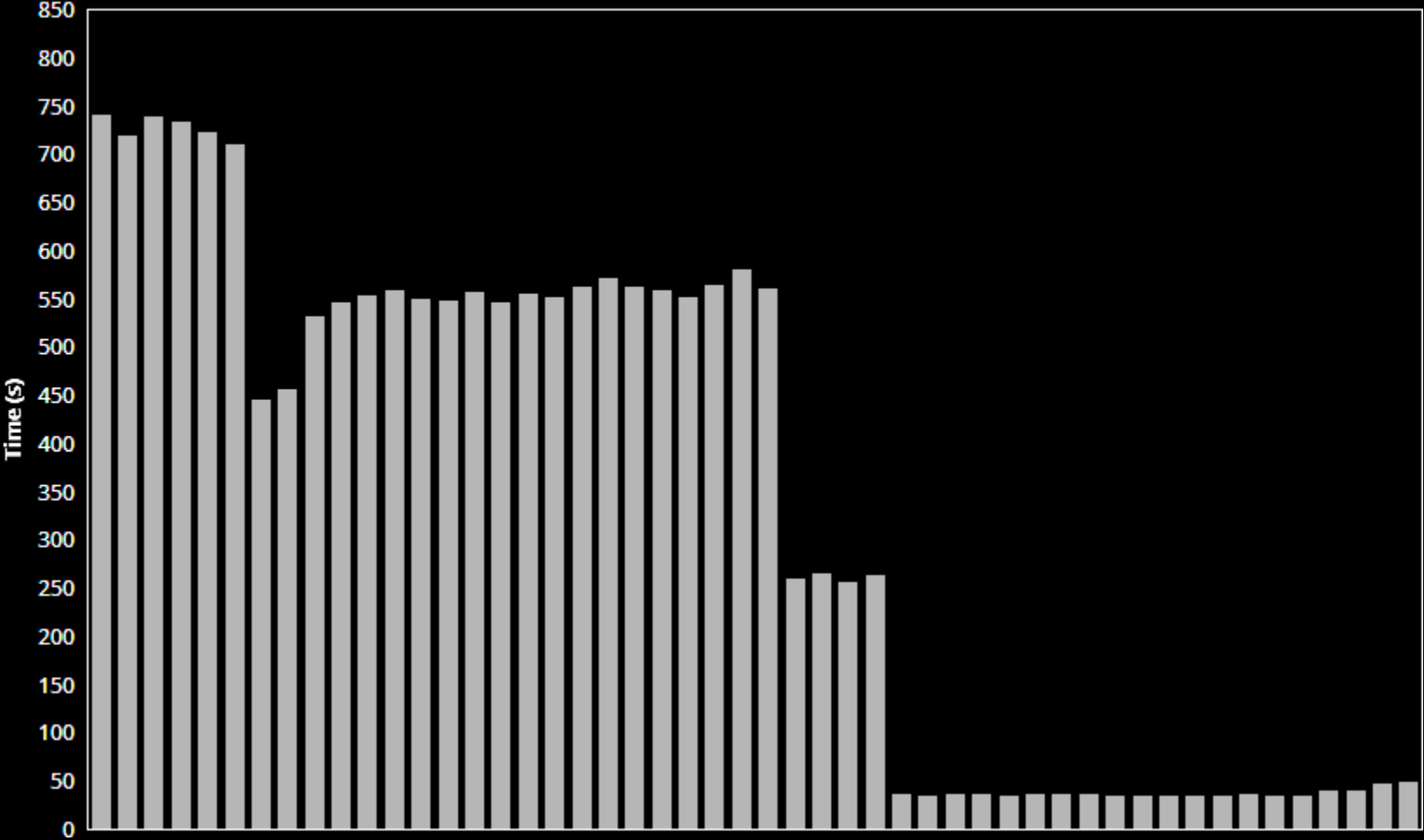
i386

- 0.6.5-2 in stretch
- 0.6.5-2 in buster
- 0.6.5-2 in unstable
- unreproducible
at 2017-12-03 21:47 UTC
- differences (txt)
- buildinfo
- rbuild (22KB) build2
(19KB) diff

```
10 quiet]
11 [\-\-log\level LOG_LEVEL] [\-\-coverage PATH]
12 [\-\-coverage\report TYPE] [\-\-coverage\config FILE] [\-\-C] [\-B] [\-D]
13 [\-F] [\-h]
14 [testNames [testNames ...]]
15 .SS "positional arguments:"
16 .IP
17 testNames
18 .SS "optional arguments:"
19 .TP
20 \fB\-s\fR START DIR, \fB\-\-start\dir\fR START DIR
Offset 62, 15 lines modified
21 .TP
22 \fB\-\-coverage\config\fR FILE
23 Config file for coverage, default: .coveragerc
24 .TP
25 \fB\-C\fR, \fB\-\-with\coverage\fR
26 Turn on coverage reporting
27 .TP
28 \fB\-B\fR, \fB\-\-output\buffer\fR
29 Enable output buffer
30 .TP
31 \fB\-D\fR, \fB\-\-debugger\fR
32 Enter pdb on test fail or error
33 .TP
34 \fB\-F\fR, \fB\-\-fail\fast\fR
35 Stop the test run after the first error or failure
36 Enable output buffer
```

```
./usr/share/man/man1/nose2-3.5.1.gz 1.25 KB
nose2-3.5.1 1.19 KB
Offset 4, 16 lines modified
4 nose2-3 \. nose2-3
5 .SH DESCRIPTION
6 usage: nose2 [\-s START DIR] [\-t TOP_LEVEL_DIRECTORY] [\-\-config [CONFIG]]
7 .IP
8 [\-\-no\user\config] [\-\-no\plugins] [\-\-plugin PLUGINS]
9 [\-\-exclude\plugin EXCLUDE_PLUGINS] [\-\-verbose] [\-\-quiet]
10 [\-\-log\level LOG_LEVEL] [\-\-coverage PATH]
11 [\-\-coverage\report TYPE] [\-\-coverage\config FILE] [\-\-C] [\-B] [\-D]
12 [\-F] [\-h]
13 [testNames [testNames ...]]
14 .SS "positional arguments:"
15 .IP
16 testNames
```

Comparing two NetBSD release tarballs



Parallel processing

Multiple previous attempts...

... Juliana working on this now

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Danke schön!



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