

## Re: breadboarding fast, tiny stuff

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Same reason as with video storage formats and such. Whatever wins in the marketplace is going to be used in industry. And us consultants must use what industry uses.

"tar" also doesn't do any compression whatsoever — it just packs everything together into one file ("Tape ARchive"). The more contemporary \*NIX file format is .tgz ("tarred and then gZiped").

If you really want to go non-mainstream, formats such as .ace (WinAce) can often gain an additional, say, 10% over Zip.

---Joel

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