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## pad\_pack\_format

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### Synopsis

Add padding to a pack format

### Syntax

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BString_Type pad_pack_format (String_Type fmt)
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### Description

The `pad_pack_format` function may be used to add the appropriate padding to the format `fmt` such that the data types specified by the format will be properly aligned for the system. This is especially important when reading or writing files that assume the native alignment.

See the S-Lang User's Guide for more information about the use of this function.

### See Also

*slangrtl*

[fread](#), [fwrite](#), [pack](#), [sizeof\\_pack](#), [sscanf](#), [uname](#), [unpack](#)

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