Updating XENIX 3.1.0, 3.1.1, or 3.1.2 to 3.2.0

The XENIX 3.2 CORE Upgrade is a collection of enhancements and corrections to be applied to Tandy 6000/16 systems that are currently using XENIX versions 3.1.0, 3.1.1 or 3.1.2. If you are using a version prior to 3.1.0, you must upgrade to 3.1.0 before upgrading to 3.2.0.

Some of the major features of this upgrade include:

Support for 10 and 20 Meg Disk Cartridge Systems

Floppy diskettes and Disk Cartridges can be formatted while XENIX is running

Ability to have the system reboot itself after a crash or a power failure

A screen "saver" which darkens the console screen when it is not in use

The ability to customize the system configuration without the development system

High Resolution Graphics capability (if hardware is installed)

csh ("C"-shell) and vi (screen-oriented text editor)

User-friendly mailer (xmail)

Improved system performance and response time

Compliance with the 1987 Daylight Savings Time change

There are numerous other new features and utilities that have been added. These are described in the enclosed documentation.

If you are running the correct version of the system, applying the upgrade is straightforward; however, you will have to do some work to keep any customization of your system intact. Several control files (like /etc/termcap, /etc/rc, etc.) are upgraded during the installation. (A complete list of these files is provided.) You should read the installation instructions carefully before attempting to apply the upgrade, and it is a good idea to make a backup of the system before applying the upgrade.

The upgrade includes a new edition of the "System Administrator's Guide to XENIX." You should remove the old edition and discard it. This upgrade also contains manual pages. These pages were included with the core upgrade because the utilities they describe have been moved to the core from the development system, or the utilities are new and needed explaining. If you do not have the development system, you do not have the binder that these pages would normally be placed in. Simply store these pages in the "Multiuser Operating System" binder. If you do own the development system, then insert these pages in the "XENIX Reference" binder. Some of the pages replace existing ones and other pages discuss new utilities.

One of the major changes in this release is a change to support the new Daylight Savings Time law that goes into effect in the spring of 1987. All the programs supplied in the upgrade (except runcobol) will correctly handle the new DST rules. All other programs must be relinked using the 3.2.0 Development System before they will handle the new DST. If you do not relink these programs, the times they display or use may be off by one hour during the days between the old start of DST and the new starting day.

If you own the 3.0.0 development system, the program PSTAT(C) does not work with XENIX 3.2, due to changes in XENIX. The 3.2 development system upgrade provides a new version of PSTAT(C) that works with XENIX 3.2 and earlier versions.

XENIX 3.2.0 contains numerous enhancements and code corrections to the version you are currently using. (Depending on your hardware and your usage of the system, you may not have noticed any of these problems.)

To upgrade your XENIX 3.1.0, 3.1.1, or 3.1.2 system to XENIX 3.2.0, follow these steps:

- 1. Before installing the update, be sure that you have a recent backup of your system.
- 2. Log in as root. If there are other people using the system at this time, postpone this installation or have everyone log off before proceeding.
- 3. At the root prompt, type **install ENTER**.
- 4. The screen shows the following menu:

Installation Menu

- 1. to install
- q. to quit

Please Select:

5. Type 1 ENTER to select the Install option. The screen shows:

Insert diskette in Drive 0 and press <ENTER>

- 6. Insert the installation diskette in Drive 0, close the drive door, and press ENTER.
- 7. XENIX now asks if you want to continue. Press ENTER.
- 8. XENIX sometimes refers to a floppy diskette as a "volume". When it does so, simply follow the instructions as they pertain to the floppy diskette. When you press ENTER at the prompt above, the screen shows:

For each floppy in the distribution set, insert the floppy into Drive 0 and press ENTER or type y.

Type n after the last floppy is installed.

If you ever see the message "tar: please mount new volume," insert the next floppy into Drive 0 and press ENTER. Do not interrupt the installation of the distribution at this point.

First Floppy? [y,n]

9. Insert Install 1 and type y **ENTER**. When the data is transferred to your hard disk, the screen shows:

Next Floppy? [y,n]

10. Insert the next install disk and type y. If you have the update for Models 12, 16, or 6000 systems (catalog number 700-3039), you will have 2 install disks.

Repeat this procedure for each install disk.

Remove the last install disk and type n ENTER. The screen shows:

Setting up directories and permissions.

Please reboot from the hard disk after the system shuts itself down.

Halting system ...

- 11. After the installation procedure is complete, the system shuts down automatically.
- 12. Reboot the system. Once the system starts, the screen shows:

Is this a Model II? [y or n]

- 13. Respond to this question by typing a y or n; then press ENTER.
- 14. The system now asks a few questions regarding what timezone should be set on your system. Respond to each question based on your local timezone and use of daylight savings time. End each response by pressing ENTER.

You may now resume using XENIX as usual.

This update replaces most of the files in your XENIX Runtime system. These files, which you may have changed, will be unchanged after the update:

/etc/checklist	/etc/cshrc	/etc/default/backup
/etc/default/dump	/etc/default/dumpdir	/etc/default/login
/etc/default/mkuser	/etc/default/passwd	/etc/default/restor
/etc/default/tar	/etc/group	/etc/passwd
/etc/ttytype	/usr/lib/crontab	/usr/lib/uucp/L-devices
	/etc/default/dump /etc/default/mkuser /etc/default/tar	/etc/default/dump /etc/default/dumpdir /etc/default/mkuser /etc/default/passwd /etc/default/tar /etc/group

/etc/logbook will be unchanged except for adding an entry for the update.

Files that have the same name as those listed above, except with an added "-" suffix, will be deleted.

These files will be replaced, but the original files will be renamed and left around with a "-" suffix on the file name:

/etc/default/tsh /etc/motd /etc/rc /etc/termcap

If you have made these changes to these files, you may wish to make the same changes to the newer versions of these files. (This is not the same thing as renaming /etc/rc-back to /etc/rc). Do not remove the changes made between your unmodified older version of the file and the 3.2.0 version of the same file without considering whether you really wish to remove the change.

Using tsh with 20-megabyte Disk Cartridges 700-3039 26-6460

If you use *tsh* and own a 20 megabyte Disk Cartridge System (25-4066), you need to edit *letc/default/tsh* before attempting to save or restore files to disk cartridges using *tsh*. For more information on editing a file, refer to chapter 11 of *the System Administrator's Guide to XENIX*.

In the file /etc/default/tsh, replace the following line:

c20:

cd 20

20896

20-Megabyte Cartridge Disk

with this line:

c20:

cd

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20896

20-Megabyte Cartridge Disk

If you do not use tsh or do not own a 20-megabyte disk cartridge system, you do not need to make this change.

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pr Prints files on the standard output.

ps Reports process status.
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sync Updates the super-block.

sysadmin Performs file system backups and restores files.

tail Delivers the last part of a file.

tar Archives files.

tee Creates a tee in a pipe.
test Tests conditions.

touch Updates access and modification times of a file.

tr Translates characters.

true Returns with a zero exit value.

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Name

adj_clock - Adjusts the system clock speed.

Syntax

```
adj_clock [-n namelist] [+seconds /period [s | m | h | d]]
adj_clock [-n namelist] [-seconds /period [s | m | h | d]]
```

Description

Adj_clock permits adjustment of the system clock speed. If the XENIX clock is slow, you may speed it up. If it is fast, you may slow it down.

For example, if the system administrator notices that the system clock ran slow by 5 seconds in 10 hours, they could correct the clock by typing:

```
adj_clock -5 /10
```

Adj_clock responds by setting and displaying the new clock correction factor.

You may add an 's', 'm', 'h', or 'd' at the end of the period specification to indicate seconds, minutes, hours, or days. The default is hours.

Only the superuser may run adj-clock.

Error Messages

These are some error messages which could result from adj clock:

"adj_clock: You must be superuser to run this program"

The user was not logged in as root or did not use su to change to root.

"adj_clock: No namelist"

"adj_clock: Bad namelist"

The program was unable to find the needed symbols in /xenix, or the file specified in *namelist* if "-n" was specified.

"adj_clock: Can't open kmem"

The program was unable to open the file /dev/kmem.

"adj_clock: Can't find upage"

The program was unable to find required data in the system. This usually happens when /xenix is not the kernel with which the system was booted.

"adj_clock: Can't read adjustment"

The program was unable to read the old adjustment value.

"adj_clock: Can't write adjustment"

The program was unable to write the new adjustment value.

"adj clock: [warning]: Minimum correction is +1 second every 18 hrs 12 min 15 sec"

The user gave an error rate that was so close to the system clock that it requires an adjustment of less than 1 second every 18 hours 12 minutes and 15 seconds.

"adj_clock: Can't correct for that large of an error"

"Maximum correction is +1 second every second"

The user gave an error rate so large that the system cannot correct it.

"adj_clock: Can't correct for that small of an error"

The user gave an error rate change so small that the system cannot correct it.

"adj_clock: Can't open xenix"

The program was unable to open the file /xenix.

"adj_clock: Can't read xenix"

The program was unable to read the file /xenix.

"adj_clock: Not enough data in /xenix"

The file /xenix did not match its namelist. This probably indicates a corrupted /xenix file.

"adj_clock: Can't seek to position"

The program cannot position to write the new correction value.

"adj_clock: Can't write data to xenix"

The program cannot write the new correction value.

"adj_clock: Missing argument to '-n'"

The user specified the '-n' option and did not specify a kernel name.

"adj_clock: Too many adjustment specifications"

The user specified more than one +/- seconds value on the command line.

"adj_clock: Bad adjustment specification"

The user gave an unintelligible +/- seconds specification.

"adj_clock: Too many period specifications"

The user specified more than one /period on the command line.

"adj_clock: Bad period specification"

The user gave an unintelligible /period specification.

"adj_clock [warning]: Unknown scalar"

The user gave an unknown scalar on the /period specification.

"adj_clock: You must specify both an adjustment and a period"

The user specified only an adjustment or a period.

"adj_clock: Unknown option "xxx" "
"Usage: adj_clock [-n kernel] [+ seconds | - seconds /period[s | m | h | d]] "
The user gave the program an unknown option.

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Name

autoboot - Sets automatic reboot operation.

Syntax

```
autoboot [ -a | -ar | -n ] [ namelist ]
```

Description

The *autoboot* allows the system to be configured so the system automatically brings itself in multi-user mode if the user does not answer the boot prompt within 1 minute. *Autoboot* skips the time and date entry prompts, and automatically cleans the file system if required.

The *autoboot* option can sometimes bring up the system after a power failure. This depends mostly on whether the boot ROM can load and execute the boot track when the drive heads are not positioned near the boot track.

You may manually start an *autoboot* sequence by pressing the F1 key at the boot prompt, whether or not the autoboot option is turned on.

The *reboot* option reboots the system after it panics or shuts down with haltsys.

You may use one of the following three options:

-ar Turn on both the *autoboot* and *reboot* options. The system will automatically boot:

when it is reset when it is shutdown with *haltsys* when most panic messages occur

- -a Turn on the *autoboot* option and turn off the *reboot* option. The system will only boot automatically when it is reset. *Haltsys* or panic messages will not cause a boot.
- -n Turn off the autoboot and reboot options. The system will not restart itself unless requested to by the operator answering the boot prompt.

Namelist is the name of the XENIX kernel that the system is running. The default is /xenix.

Files

/etc/autoboot autoboot program

/xenix default namelist

/hdboot non autoboot boot track

/hdbootr autoboot boot track

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Name

csh10 - Invokes an enhanced C shell with tenex-like file name and command completion.

Syntax

```
csh10 [-cefinstvVxX] [ arg ...]
```

Description

Csh10 is an enhanced version of the Berkeley UNIX C shell csh(1). It behaves like the C shell, except for two additional utilities:

- 1 Interactive file name, command, and user name recognition and completion.
- 2 Command, file, directory, or user list in the middle of a typed command.

A description of these features follows. For information on the other standard csh features, please see csh(C).

File name completion

Typing in file names as arguments to commands has been simplified. It is no longer necessary to type in a complete name, only a unique abbreviation is necessary. Typing an escape to cshlo will complete a file name, and echo the full name on the terminal. If the file name prefix typed in does not match any file name, cshlo rings the terminal bell. The file name may be partially completed if the prefix matches several longer file names. If this is the case, cshlo extends the name up to the ambiguous deviation, and rings the terminal bell.

Example

In the following example, assume the plus character "+" is where the user pressed the escape key. Assume that the current directory contained the following files:

DSC.OLD	bin	cmd	lib	memos
DSC.NEW	chaosnet	cmtest	mail	netnews
bench	class	dev	mbox	new

The command

% vi ch+

causes csh10 to complete the command with the name chaosnet. If you type:

% vi D+

csh10 will extend the name to DSC, and ring the terminal bell to indicate partial completion.

File name completion works equally well when addressing other directories. *Csh10* also understands the tilde (~) convention for home directories in this context. For example:

% cd ~speech/data/fr+

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does what one might expect. This may also be used to expand login names. For example:

% cd ~sysi+

This command performs a cd to the sysinfo home directory.

File/directory list

At any point in typing a command, you may request a list of available files, or a list of files which match your current specification. For example, while you are typing in:

% cd ~speech/data/bench/fritz/

you might want to find out what files or subdirectories are available in ~speech/data/bench/fritz. Pressing Control-D will list the available files, without eliminating the partial line that was previously typed in. Cshlo lists the files in multicolumn format, sorted by columns. The list indicates directories with a trailing '/' and executable files with a trailing '*'. After printing the list, cshlo reprints the partially entered command for you to complete.

Csh10 can also list files which have specific first letters in their names. In the example above, if you typed in:

% cd ~speech/data/bench/fr

and then pressed Control-D, *csh10* would list all files and subdirectories with names starting with 'fr' in ~speech/data/bench. Notice that the first example was a degenerate case with a null trailing file name. (The null string is a suffix of all strings.) Also, notice that a trailing slash is required to pass to a *new* subdirectory for both file name completion and listing. The degenerate case:

prints a full list of login names on the current system. In addition, *csh10* keeps track of your current working directory with the \$cwd built-in variable.

Command name recognition

Command name recognition and completion works in the same manner as file name recognition and completion. *Csh10* uses the current value of the environment variable when searching for the command. For example:

% newa+

might expand to

% newaliases

while

% new^D

would list all commands along PATH that begin with "new".

As an option, if the shell variable *listpathnum* is set, then *csh10* prints a number next to each command on a ^D listing which indicates the index in PATH.

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Csh10 does not use raw or cbreak mode. It works by temporarily setting the "additional" tty break character to ESC. This method does not add the overhead usually associated with programs that run in raw or cbreak mode.

If you select ESC as your default additional break character, csh10 will be able to support recognition on typeahead.

Files

/usr/lib/csh.builtins/*

fake list of built-in commands

See Also

csh(1)

Notes

A ^D on a blank line (a degenerate case of the List option) logs you out. [SPACE][^D] lists all commands in the system along PATH.

Typing anything immediately after pressing ESC (before recognition expansion completes) will result in character juxtaposition or loss.

Terminal type is only examined the first time that you attempt to use recognition expansion.

Authors

Ken Greer, HP Labs; Mike Ellis, Fairchild, added command name recognition/completion.

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Name

csh - Invokes a shell command interpreter with C-like syntax.

Syntax

```
csh [ -cefinstvVxX ] [ arg ... ]
```

Description

Csh is a command language interpreter. It begins by executing commands from the file .cshrc in the home directory of the invoker. If this is a login shell, then it also executes commands from the file .login there. In the normal case, the shell will then begin reading commands from the terminal, prompting with %. Processing of arguments and the use of the shell to process files containing command scripts will be described later.

The shell then repeatedly performs the following actions: a line of command input is read and broken into words. This sequence of words is placed on the command history list and then parsed. Finally each command in the current line is executed.

When a login shell terminates, it executes commands from the file **.logout** in the user's home directory.

Lexical structure

The shell splits input lines into words at blanks and tabs with the following exceptions. The characters &, $| \cdot \rangle$, $| \cdot \rangle$, $| \cdot \rangle$, $| \cdot \rangle$, form separate words. If doubled in &&, $| \cdot \rangle$, these pairs form single words. These parser metacharacters may be made part of other words, or prevented their special meaning, by preceding them with \(A \) newline preceded by a \(\) is equivalent to a blank.

In addition strings enclosed in matched pairs of quotations, ', ` or ", form parts of a word; metacharacters in these strings, including blanks and tabs, do not form separate words. These quotations have semantics to be described subsequently. Within pairs of ' or " characters a newline preceded by a \ gives a true newline character.

When the shell's input is not a terminal, the character # introduces a comment which continues to the end of the input line. It does not have this special meaning when preceded by \ and placed inside the quotation marks \`, \`, and \".

Commands

A simple command is a sequence of words, the first of which specifies the command to be executed. A simple command or a sequence of simple commands separated by I characters forms a pipeline. The output of each command in a pipeline is connected to the input of the next. Sequences of pipelines may be separated by ;, and are then executed sequentially. A sequence of pipelines may be executed without waiting for it to terminate by following it with an &. Such a sequence is automatically prevented from being terminated by a hangup signal; the *nohup* command need not be used.

Any of the above may be placed in parentheses to form a simple command (which may be a component of a pipeline, etc.) It is also possible to separate pipelines with | | or && indicating, as in the C language, that the second is to be executed only if the first fails or succeeds respectively. (See *Expressions*.)

Substitutions

The following sections describe the various transformations the shell performs on the input in the order in which they occur.

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History Substitutions

History substitutions can be used to reintroduce sequences of words from previous commands, possibly performing modifications on these words. Thus history substitutions provide a generalization of a *redo* function.

History substitutions begin with the character! and may begin **anywhere** in the input stream if a history substitution is not already in progress. This! may be preceded by a \ to prevent its special meaning; a! is passed unchanged when it is followed by a blank, tab, newline, =, or (. History substitutions also occur when an input line begins with \^. This special abbreviation will be described later.

Any input line which contains history substitution is echoed on the terminal before it is executed as it could have been typed without history substitution.

Commands input from the terminal which consist of one or more words are saved on the history list, the size of which is controlled by the *history* variable. The previous command is always retained. Commands are numbered sequentially from 1.

For example, consider the following output from the history command:

- 9 write michael
- 10 ex write.c
- 11 cat oldwrite.c
- 12 diff *write.c

The commands are shown with their event numbers. It is not usually necessary to use event numbers, but the current event number can be made part of the prompt by placing a! in the prompt string.

With the current event 13 we can refer to previous events by event number !11, relatively as in !-2 (referring to the same event), by a prefix of a command word as in !d for event 12 or !w for event 9, or by a string contained in a word in the command as in !?mic? also referring to event 9. These forms, without further modification, simply reintroduce the words of the specified events, each separated by a single blank. As a special case !! refers to the previous command; thus !! alone is essentially a *redo*. The form !# references the current command (the one being typed in). It allows a word to be selected from further left in the line, to avoid retyping a long name, as in !#:1.

To select words from an event we can follow the event specification by a : and a designator for the desired words. The words of a input line are numbered from 0, the first (usually command) word being 0, the second word (first argument) being 1, and so on. The basic word designators are:

- 0 First (command) word
- n nth argument
- ^ First argument, i.e. 1
- \$ Last argument
- % Word matched by (immediately preceding) ?s? search
- x-y Range of words
- -y Abbreviates '0-y'
- * Abbreviates '^_\$', or nothing if only 1 word in event
- x* Abbreviates 'x-\$'

x Like 'x*' but omitting word \$

The : separating the event specification from the word designator can be omitted if the argument selector begins with a $^{\land}$, * , * , or $^{\circ}$. After the optional word designator can be placed a sequence of modifiers, each preceded by a :. The following modifiers are defined:

- h Removes a trailing pathname component
- r Removes a trailing .xxx component

s/l/r/

Substitutes l for r

- t Removes all leading pathname components
- & Repeats the previous substitution
- g Applies the change globally, prefixing the above
- p Prints the new command but do not execute it
- q Quotes the substituted words, preventing substitutions
- x Like q, but breaks into words at blanks, tabs, and newlines

Unless preceded by a g the modification is applied only to the first modifiable word. In any case it is an error for no word to be applicable.

The left side of substitutions are not regular expressions in the sense of the editors, but rather strings. Any character may be used as the delimiter in place of l; a \quotes the delimiter into the l and r strings. The character & in the right side is replaced by the text from the left. A \quotes & also. A null l uses the previous string either from a l or from a contextual scan string s in l?s?. The trailing delimiter in the substitution may be omitted if a newline follows immediately as may the trailing? in a contextual scan.

A history reference may be given without an event specification, e.g. !\$. In this case the reference is to the previous command unless a previous history reference occurred on the same line in which case this form repeats the previous reference. Thus !?foo?^!\$ gives the first and last arguments from the command matching ?foo?.

A special abbreviation of a history reference occurs when the first nonblank character of an input line is a ^. This is equivalent to !:s^, providing a convenient shorthand for substitutions on the text of the previous line. Thus ^lb^lib fixes the spelling of lib in the previous command. Finally, a history substitution may be surrounded with { and } if necessary to insulate it from the characters that follow. Thus, after ls -ld ~paul we might do !{1}a to do ls -ld ~paula, while !la would look for a command starting la.

Quotations With 'and"

The quotation of strings by 'and " can be used to prevent all or some of the remaining substitutions. Strings enclosed in 'are prevented any further interpretation. Variable and command expansion may occur on strings enclosed in double quotes.

In both cases, the resulting text becomes (all or part of) a single word; only in one special case (see *Command Substitution* below) does a " quoted string yield parts of more than one word; ' quoted strings never do.

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Alias Substitution

The shell maintains a list of aliases which can be established, displayed and modified by the *alias* and *unalias* commands. After a command line is scanned, it is parsed into distinct commands and the first word of each command, left-to-right, is checked to see if it has an alias. If it does, then the text which is the alias for that command is reread with the history mechanism available as though that command were the previous input line. The resulting words replace the command and argument list. If no reference is made to the history list, then the argument list is left unchanged.

Thus if the alias for ls is ls –l the command "ls /usr" would map to "ls –l /usr". Similarly if the alias for lookup was "grep !^ /etc/passwd" then "lookup bill" would map to "grep bill /etc/passwd".

If an alias is found, the word transformation of the input text is performed and the aliasing process begins again on the reformed input line. Looping is prevented if the first word of the new text is the same as the old by flagging it to prevent further aliasing. Other loops are detected and cause an error.

Note that the mechanism allows aliases to introduce parser metasyntax. Thus we can alias print "'pr \!* | lpr'" to make a command that paginates its arguments to the lineprinter.

Variable Substitution

The shell maintains a set of variables, each of which has as value a list of zero or more words. Some of these variables are set by the shell or referred to by it. For instance, the *argv* variable is an image of the shell's argument list, and words of this variable's value are referred to in special ways.

The values of variables may be displayed and changed by using the *set* and *unset* commands. Of the variables referred to by the shell a number are toggles; the shell does not care what their value is, only whether they are set or not. For instance, the *verbose* variable is a toggle which causes command input to be echoed. The setting of this variable results from the **-v** command line option.

Other operations treat variables numerically. The at-sign (@) command permits numeric calculations to be performed and the result assigned to a variable. However, variable values are always represented as (zero or more) strings. For the purposes of numeric operations, the null string is considered to be zero, and the second and subsequent words of multiword values are ignored.

After the input line is aliased and parsed, and before each command is executed, variable substitution is performed, keyed by dollar sign (\$) characters. This expansion can be prevented by preceding the dollar sign with a backslash (\) except within double quotation marks (") where it *always* occurs, and within single quotation marks (') where it *never* occurs. Strings quoted by back quotation marks (`) are interpreted later (see *Command substitution* below) so dollar sign substitution does not occur there until later, if at all. A dollar sign is passed unchanged if followed by a blank, tab, or end-of-line.

Input and output redirections are recognized before variable expansion, and are variable expanded separately. Otherwise, the command name and entire argument list are expanded together. It is thus possible for the first (command) word to generate more than one word, the first of which becomes the command name, and the rest of which become arguments.

Unless enclosed in double quotation marks or given the :q modifier, the results of variable substitution may eventually be command and filename substituted. Within double quotation marks (") a variable whose value consists of multiple words expands to a portion of a single word, with the words of the variable's value separated by blanks. When the :q modifier is applied to a substitution the variable expands to multiple words with each word separated by a blank and quoted to prevent later command or filename substitution.

The following sequences are provided for introducing variable values into the shell input. Except as noted, it is an error to reference a variable which is not set.

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\$name

\${name}

Are replaced by the words of the value of variable *name*, each separated by a blank. Braces insulate *name* from following characters which would otherwise be part of it. Shell variables have names consisting of up to 20 letters, digits, and underscores.

If *name* is not a shell variable, but is set in the environment, then that value is returned (but : modifiers and the other forms given below are not available in this case).

\$name[selector]

\${name[selector]}

May be used to select only some of the words from the value of *name*. The selector is subjected to \$ substitution and may consist of a single number or two numbers separated by a —. The first word of a variables value is numbered 1. If the first number of a range is omitted it defaults to 1. If the last member of a range is omitted it defaults to \$#name. The selector * selects all words. It is not an error for a range to be empty if the second argument is omitted or in range.

\$#name

\${#name}

Gives the number of words in the variable. This is useful for later use in a [selector].

\$0 Substitutes the name of the file from which command input is being read. An error occurs if the name is not known.

\$number

\${number}

Equivalent to \$argv[number].

\$* Equivalent to \$argv[*].

The modifiers :h, :t, :r, :q and :x may be applied to the substitutions above as may :gh, :gt and :gr. If braces { } appear in the command form then the modifiers must appear within the braces. Only one : modifier is allowed on each \$ expansion.

The following substitutions may not be modified with: modifiers.

\$?name

\${?name}

Substitutes the string 1 if name is set, 0 if it is not.

\$?0 Substitutes 1 if the current input filename is known, 0 if it is not.

\$\$ Substitutes the (decimal) process number of the (parent) shell.

Command and Filename Substitution

Command and filename substitution are applied selectively to the arguments of built-in commands. This means that portions of expressions which are not evaluated are not subjected to these expansions. For commands which are not internal to the shell, the command name is substituted separately from the argument list. This occurs very late, after input-output redirection is performed, and in a child of the main shell.

Command Substitution

Command substitution is indicated by a command enclosed in back quotation marks. The output from such a command is normally broken into separate words at blanks, tabs and newlines, with null words being discarded, this text then replacing the original string. Within double quotation marks, only newlines force new words; blanks and tabs are preserved.

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In any case, the single final newline does not force a new word. Note that it is thus possible for a command substitution to yield only part of a word, even if the command outputs a complete line.

Filename Substitution

If a word contains any of the characters *, ?, [or { or begins with the character ~, then that word is a candidate for filename substitution, also known as globbing. This word is then regarded as a pattern, and replaced with an alphabetically sorted list of filenames which match the pattern. In a list of words specifying filename substitution it is an error for no pattern to match an existing filename, but it is not required for each pattern to match. Only the metacharacters *, ?, and [imply pattern matching, the characters ~ and { being more akin to abbreviations.

In matching filenames, the character \cdot at the beginning of a filename or immediately following a \prime , as well as the character \prime must be matched explicitly. The character \ast matches any string of characters, including the null string. The character \cdot matches any single character. The sequence [...] matches any one of the characters enclosed. Within [...], a pair of characters separated by - matches any character lexically between the two.

The character ~ at the beginning of a filename is used to refer to home directories. Standing alone it expands to the invoker's home directory as reflected in the value of the variable *home*. When followed by a name consisting of letters, digits and – characters the shell searches for a user with that name and substitutes their home directory; thus ~ken might expand to /usr/ken and ~ken/chmach to /usr/ken/chmach. If the character ~ is followed by a character other than a letter or / or appears not at the beginning of a word, it is left unchanged.

The metanotation a{b,c,d}e is a shorthand for abe ace ade. Left to right order is preserved, with results of matches being sorted separately at a low level to preserve this order. This construct may be nested. Thus ~source/s1/{oldls,ls}.c expands to /usr/source/s1/oldls.c /usr/source/s1/ls.c, whether or not these files exist, without any chance of error if the home directory for source is /usr/source. Similarly ../{memo,*box} might expand to ../memo ../box ../mbox. (Note that memo was not sorted with the results of matching *box.) As a special case {, } and {} are passed unchanged.

Input/Output

The standard input and standard output of a command may be redirected with the following syntax:

< name

Opens file name (which is first variable, command and filename expanded) as the standard input.

<< word

Reads the shell input up to a line which is identical to *word*. *Word* is not subjected to variable, filename or command substitution, and each input line is compared to *word* before any substitutions are done on this input line. Unless a quoting backslash, double, or single quotation mark, or a back quotation mark appears in *word*, variable and command substitution is performed on the intervening lines, allowing \ to quote \$, \ and \ . Commands which are substituted have all blanks, tabs, and newlines preserved, except for the final newline which is dropped. The resulting text is placed in an anonymous temporary file which is given to the command as standard input.

> name

>! name

>& name

>&! name

The file *name* is used as standard output. If the file does not exist then it is created; if the file exists, it is truncated, and its previous contents is lost.

If the variable *noclobber* is set, then the file must not already exist or it must be a character special file (e.g. a terminal or /dev/null) or an error results. This helps prevent accidental destruction of files. In this case the ! forms can be used and suppress this check.

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The forms involving & route the diagnostic output into the specified file as well as the standard output. *Name* is expanded in the same way as < input filenames are.

>> name

>>& name

>>! name

>>&! name

Uses file *name* as standard output like > but places output at the end of the file. If the variable *noclobber* is set, then it is an error for the file not to exist unless one of the ! forms is given. Otherwise similar to >.

If a command is run detached (followed by &) then the default standard input for the command is the empty file /dev/null. Otherwise the command receives the environment in which the shell was invoked as modified by the input-output parameters and the presence of the command in a pipeline. Thus, unlike some previous shells, commands run from a file of shell commands have no access to the text of the commands by default; rather they receive the original standard input of the shell. The << mechanism should be used to present inline data. This permits shell command scripts to function as components of pipelines and allows the shell to block read its input.

Diagnostic output may be directed through a pipe with the standard output. Simply use the form |& rather than just |.

Expressions

A number of the built-in commands (to be described later) take expressions, in which the operators are similar to those of C, with the same precedence. These expressions appear in the @, exit, if, and while commands. The following operators are available:

Here the precedence increases to the right, == and !=, <=, >=, <, and >, << and >>, + and -, * / and % being, in groups, at the same level. The == and != operators compare their arguments as strings, all others operate on numbers. Strings which begin with 0 are considered octal numbers. Null or missing arguments are considered 0. The result of all expressions are strings, which represent decimal numbers. It is important to note that no two components of an expression can appear in the same word; except when adjacent to components of expressions which are syntactically significant to the parser (& |<>) they should be surrounded by spaces.

Also available in expressions as primitive operands are command executions enclosed in $\{$ and $\}$ and file enquiries of the form -l name where l is one of:

- r Read access
- w Write access
- x Execute access
- e Existence
- o Ownership
- z Zero size
- f Plain file
- d Directory

The specified name is command and filename expanded, then tested to see if it has the specified relationship to the real user. If the file does not exist or is inaccessible then all enquiries return false, i.e. 0. Command executions succeed, returning true, i.e. 1, if the command exits with status 0, otherwise they fail, returning false, i.e. 0. If more detailed status information is required then the command should be executed outside of an expression and the variable *status* examined.

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Control Flow

The shell contains a number of commands which can be used to regulate the flow of control in command files (shell scripts) and (in limited but useful ways) from terminal input. These commands all operate by forcing the shell to reread or skip in its input and, due to the implementation, restrict the placement of some of the commands.

The *foreach*, *switch*, and *while* statements, as well as the *if*–then–else form of the *if* statement require that the major keywords appear in a single simple command on an input line as shown below.

If the shell's input is not seekable, the shell buffers up input whenever a loop is being read and performs seeks in this internal buffer to accomplish the rereading implied by the loop. (To the extent that this allows, backward goto commands will succeed on nonseekable inputs.)

Built-In Commands

Built-in commands are executed within the shell. If a built-in command occurs as any component of a pipe-line except the last then it is executed in a subshell.

alias

alias name

alias name wordlist

The first form prints all aliases. The second form prints the alias for *name*. The final form assigns the specified *wordlist* as the alias of *name*; *wordlist* is command and filename substituted. *Name* is not allowed to be *alias* or *unalias*

break

Causes execution to resume after the *end* of the nearest enclosing *foreach* or *while* statement. The remaining commands on the current line are executed. Multilevel breaks are thus possible by writing them all on one line.

breaksw

Causes a break from a switch, resuming after the endsw.

case label:

A label in a switch statement as discussed below.

cd

cd name

chdir

chdir name

Changes the shell's working directory to directory *name*. If no argument is given then changes to the home directory of the user. If *name* is not found as a subdirectory of the current directory (and does not begin with /, ./, or ../), then each component of the variable *cdpath* is checked to see if it has a subdirectory *name*. Finally, if all else fails but *name* is a shell variable whose value begins with /, then this is tried to see if it is a directory.

continue

Continues execution of the nearest enclosing *while* or *foreach*. The rest of the commands on the current line are executed.

default:

Labels the default case in a *switch* statement. The default should come after all *case* labels.

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echo wordlist

The specified words are written to the shell's standard output. An \c causes the echo to complete without printing a newline. An \n in wordlist causes a newline to be printed. Otherwise the words are echoed, separated by spaces.

else

end

endif

endsw

See the description of the foreach, if, switch, and while statements below.

exec command

The specified command is executed in place of the current shell.

exit

exit(expr)

The shell exits either with the value of the *status* variable (first form) or with the value of the specified *expr* (second form).

foreach name (wordlist)

end

The variable *name* is successively set to each member of *wordlist* and the sequence of commands between this command and the matching *end* are executed. (Both *foreach* and *end* must appear alone on separate lines.)

The built-in command *continue* may be used to continue the loop prematurely and the built-in command *break* to terminate it prematurely. When this command is read from the terminal, the loop is read up once prompting with? before any statements in the loop are executed.

glob wordlist

Like *echo* but no \ escapes are recognized and words are delimited by null characters in the output. Useful for programs which wish to use the shell to filename expand a list of words.

goto word

The specified *word* is filename and command expanded to yield a string of the form label. The shell rewinds its input as much as possible and searches for a line of the form label: possibly preceded by blanks or tabs. Execution continues after the specified line.

history

Displays the history event list.

if (expr) command

If the specified expression evaluates true, then the single *command* with arguments is executed. Variable substitution on *command* happens early, at the same time it does for the rest of the *if* command. *Command* must be a simple command, not a pipeline, a command list, or a parenthesized command list. Input/output redirection occurs even if *expr* is false, when command is **not** executed.

if (expr) then

else if (expr2) then

else

endif

If the specified *expr* is true then the commands to the first *else* are executed; else if *expr2* is true then the commands to the second else are executed, etc. Any number of *else-if* pairs are possible; only one

endif is needed. The else part is likewise optional. (The words else and endif must appear at the beginning of input lines; the if must appear alone on its input line or after an else.)

logout

Terminates a login shell. The only way to log out if ignoreeof is set.

nice

nice +number
nice command
nice +number command

The first form sets the *nice* for this shell to 4. The second form sets the *nice* to the given number. The final two forms run command at priority 4 and *number* respectively. The super-user may specify negative niceness by using 'nice –number ...' The command is always executed in a subshell, and the restrictions placed on commands in simple *if* statements apply.

nohup

nohup command

The first form can be used in shell scripts to cause hangups to be ignored for the remainder of the script. The second form causes the specified command to be run with hangups ignored. Unless the shell is running detached, *nohup* has no effect. All processes detached with & are automatically *nohup*ed. (Thus, *nohup* is not really needed.)

onintr – onintr label

Controls the action of the shell on interrupts. The first form restores the default action of the shell on interrupts which is to terminate shell scripts or to return to the terminal command input level. The second form onintr – causes all interrupts to be ignored. The final form causes the shell to execute a goto label when an interrupt is received or a child process terminates because it was interrupted.

In any case, if the shell is running detached and interrupts are being ignored, all forms of *onintr* have no meaning and interrupts continue to be ignored by the shell and all invoked commands.

rehash

Causes the internal hash table of the contents of the directories in the *path* variable to be recomputed. This is needed if new commands are added to directories in the *path* while you are logged in. This should only be necessary if you add commands to one of your own directories, or if a systems programmer changes the contents of one of the system directories.

repeat count command

The specified *command* which is subject to the same restrictions as the *command* in the one line *if* statement above, is executed *count* times. I/O redirections occur exactly once, even if *count* is 0.

set
set name
set name=word
set name[index]=word
set name=(wordlist)

The first form of the command shows the value of all shell variables. Variables which have other than a single word as value print as a parenthesized word list. The second form sets *name* to the null string. The third form sets *name* to the single *word*. The fourth form sets the *indexth* component of name to word; this component must already exist. The final form sets *name* to the list of words in *wordlist*. In all cases the value is command and filename expanded.

These arguments may be repeated to set multiple values in a single set command. Note however, that variable expansion happens for all arguments before any setting occurs.

setenv name value

Sets the value of the environment variable *name* to be *value*, a single string. Useful environment variables are TERM, the type of your terminal and SHELL, the shell you are using.

shift

shift variable

The members of *argv* are shifted to the left, discarding *argv[1]*. It is an error for *argv* not to be set or to have less than one word as value. The second form performs the same function on the specified variable.

source name

The shell reads commands from *name*. *Source* commands may be nested; if they are nested too deeply the shell may run out of file descriptors. An error in a *source* at any level terminates all nested *source* commands. Input during *source* commands is **never** placed on the history list.

switch (string)

case str1:

breaksw

default:

breaksw

endsw

Each case label is successively matched, against the specified *string* which is first command and filename expanded. The file metacharacters *, ?, and [...] may be used in the case labels, which are variable expanded. If none of the labels match before a default label is found, then the execution begins after the default label. Each case label and the default label must appear at the beginning of a line. The command *breaksw* causes execution to continue after the *endsw*. Otherwise control may fall through case labels and default labels, as in C. If no label matches and there is no default, execution continues after the *endsw*.

time

time command

With no argument, a summary of time used by this shell and its children is printed. If arguments are given the specified simple command is timed and a time summary as described under the *time* variable is printed. If necessary, an extra shell is created to print the time statistic when the command completes.

umask

umask value

The file creation mask is displayed (first form) or set to the specified value (second form). The mask is given in octal. Common values for the mask are 002 giving all access to the group and read and execute access to others, or 022 giving all access except no write access for users in the group or others.

unalias pattern

All aliases whose names match the specified pattern are discarded. Thus all aliases are removed by unalias *. It is not an error for nothing to be *unaliased*.

unhash

Use of the internal hash table to speed location of executed programs is disabled.

unset pattern

All variables whose names match the specified pattern are removed. Thus all variables are removed by unset *; this has noticeably distasteful side-effects. It is not an error for nothing to be *unset*.

wait

All child processes are waited for. It the shell is interactive, then an interrupt can disrupt the wait, at which time the shell prints names and process numbers of all children known to be outstanding.

while (expr)

end

While the specified expression evaluates nonzero, the commands between the *while* and the matching end are evaluated. *Break* and *continue* may be used to terminate or continue the loop prematurely. (The *while* and *end* must appear alone on their input lines.) Prompting occurs here the first time through the loop as for the *foreach* statement if the input is a terminal.

- @ name = expr
- @ name[index] = expr

The first form prints the values of all the shell variables. The second form sets the specified *name* to the value of *expr*. If the expression contains <, >, & or | then at least this part of the expression must be placed within (). The third form assigns the value of *expr* to the *index*th argument of *name*. Both *name* and its *index*th component must already exist.

The operators *=, +=, etc. are available as in C. The space separating the name from the assignment operator is optional. Spaces are mandatory in separating components of expr which would otherwise be single words.

Special postfix ++ and — operators increment and decrement name respectively, i.e. @ i++.

Predefined Variables

The following variables have special meaning to the shell. Of these, argv, child, home, path, prompt, shell and status are always set by the shell. Except for child and status this setting occurs only at initialization; these variables will not then be modified unless done explicitly by the user.

The shell copies the environment variable PATH into the variable *path*, and copies the value back into the environment whenever *path* is set. Thus is is not necessary to worry about its setting other than in the file *.cshrc* as inferior *csh* processes will import the definition of *path* from the environment.

argv

Set to the arguments to the shell, it is from this variable that positional parameters are substituted, i.e. \$1 is replaced by \$argv[1], etc.

cdpath

Gives a list of alternate directories searched to find subdirectories in cd commands.

child

The process number printed when the last command was forked with &. This variable is unset when this process terminates.

echo

Set when the -x command line option is given. Causes each command and its arguments to be echoed just before it is executed. For nonbuilt-in commands all expansions occur before echoing. Builtin commands are echoed before command and filename substitution, since these substitutions are then done selectively.

histchars

Can be assigned a two-character string. The first character is used as a history character in place of !, the second character is used in place of the ^ substitution mechanism. For example, set histchars=",;" will cause the history characters to be comma and semicolon.

history

Can be given a numeric value to control the size of the history list. Any command which has been referenced in this many events will not be discarded. A *history* that is too large may run the shell out of memory. The last executed command is always saved on the history list.

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home

The home directory of the invoker, initialized from the environment. The filename expansion of ~ refers to this variable.

ignoreeof

If set the shell ignores end-of-file from input devices that are terminals. This prevents a shell from accidentally being terminated by typing a CNTRL-D.

mail

The files where the shell checks for mail. This is done after each command completion which will result in a prompt, if a specified interval has elapsed. The shell says "You have new mail". if the file exists with an access time not greater than its modify time.

If the first word of the value of *mail* is numeric it specifies a different mail checking interval, in seconds, than the default, which is 10 minutes.

If multiple mail files are specified, then the shell says "New mail in *name*" when there is mail in the file *name*.

noclobber

As described in the section *Input/output*, restrictions are placed on output redirection to insure that files are not accidentally destroyed, and that >> redirections refer to existing files.

noglob

If set, filename expansion is inhibited. This is most useful in shell scripts which are not dealing with filenames, or after a list of filenames has been obtained and further expansions are not desirable.

nonomatch

If set, it is not an error for a filename expansion to not match any existing files; rather, the primitive pattern is returned. It is still an error for the primitive pattern to be malformed, i.e. echo [still gives an error.

path

Each word of the path variable specifies a directory in which commands are to be sought for execution. A null word specifies the current directory. If there is no path variable then only full pathnames will execute. The usual search path is /bin, /usr/bin, and ., but this may vary from system to system. For the super-user the default search path is /etc, /bin and /usr/bin. A shell which is given neither the -c nor the -t option will normally hash the contents of the directories in the path variable after reading .cshrc, and each time the path variable is reset. If new commands are added to these directories while the shell is active, it may be necessary to give the rehash command or the commands may not be found.

prompt

The string which is printed before each command is read from an interactive terminal input. If a ! appears in the string it will be replaced by the current event number unless a preceding \ is given. Default is %, or # for the super-user.

shell

The file in which the shell resides. This is used in forking shells to interpret files which have execute bits set, but which are not executable by the system. (See the description of *Nonbuilt-In Command Execution* below.) Initialized to the (system-dependent) home of the shell.

status

The status returned by the last command. If it terminated abnormally, then 0200 is added to the status. Built-in commands which fail return exit status 1, all other built-in commands set status 0.

time

Controls automatic timing of commands. If set, then any command which takes more than this many cpu seconds will cause a line giving user, system, and real times and a utilization percentage which is the ratio of user plus system times to real time to be printed when it terminates.

verbose

Set by the –v command line option, causes the words of each command to be printed after history substitution.

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Nonbuilt-In Command Execution

When a command to be executed is found to not be a built-in command the shell attempts to execute the command via exec(S). Each word in the variable path names a directory from which the shell will attempt to execute the command. If it is given neither a - c nor a - t option, the shell will hash the names in these directories into an internal table so that it will only try an exec in a directory if there is a possibility that the command resides there. This greatly speeds command location when a large number of directories are present in the search path. If this mechanism has been turned off (via unhash), or if the shell was given a - c or - t argument, and in any case for each directory component of path which does not begin with a / c, the shell concatenates with the given command name to form a pathname of a file which it then attempts to execute.

Parenthesized commands are always executed in a subshell. Thus (cd; pwd); pwd prints the *home* directory; leaving you where you were (printing this after the home directory), while cd; pwd leaves you in the home directory. Parenthesized commands are most often used to prevent *cd* from affecting the current shell.

If the file has execute permissions but is not an executable binary to the system, then it is assumed to be a file containing shell commands and a new shell is spawned to read it.

If there is an *alias* for *shell* then the words of the alias will be prepended to the argument list to form the shell command. The first word of the *alias* should be the full pathname of the shell (e.g. \$shell). Note that this is a special, late occurring, case of *alias* substitution, and only allows words to be prepended to the argument list without modification.

Argument List Processing

If argument 0 to the shell is – then this is a login shell. The flag arguments are interpreted as follows:

- -c Commands are read from the (single) following argument which must be present. Any remaining arguments are placed in *argv*.
- -e The shell exits if any invoked command terminates abnormally or yields a nonzero exit status.
- -f The shell will start faster, because it will neither search for nor execute commands from the file .cshrc in the invoker's home directory.
- -i The shell is interactive and prompts for its top-level input, even if it appears to not be a terminal. Shells are interactive without this option if their inputs and outputs are terminals.
- -n Commands are parsed, but not executed. This may aid in syntactic checking of shell scripts.
- -s Command input is taken from the standard input.
- -t A single line of input is read and executed. A \ may be used to escape the newline at the end of this line and continue onto another line.
- Causes the verbose variable to be set, with the effect that command input is echoed after history substitution.
- -x Causes the *echo* variable to be set, so that commands are echoed immediately before execution.
- -V Causes the *verbose* variable to be set even before .cshrc is executed.
- -X Causes the *echo* variable to be set even before .cshrc is executed.

After processing of flag arguments, if arguments remain but none of the -c, -i, -s, or -t options were given, the first argument is taken as the name of a file of commands to be executed. The shell opens this file, and saves its name for possible resubstitution by \$0. Since on a typical system most shell scripts are written for the standard shell (see sh(C)), the C shell will execute such a standard shell if the first character of a script is

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not a #, i.e. if the script does not start with a comment. Remaining arguments initialize the variable argv.

Signal Handling

The shell normally ignores *quit* signals. The *interrupt* and *quit* signals are ignored for an invoked command if the command is followed by &; otherwise the signals have the values which the shell inherited from its parent. The shells handling of interrupts can be controlled by *onintr*. Login shells catch the *terminate* signal; otherwise this signal is passed on to children from the state in the shell's parent. In no case are interrupts allowed when a login shell is reading the file .logout.

Files

~/.cshrc Read at by each shell at the beginning

of execution

~/.login Read by login shell, after .cshrc at login

~/.logout Read by login shell, at logout

/bin/sh Shell for scripts not starting with a #

/tmp/sh* Temporary file for <<

/dev/null Source of empty file

/etc/passwd Source of home directories for ~name

Limitations

Words can be no longer than 512 characters. The number of arguments to a command which involves filename expansion is limited to 1/6 number of characters allowed in an argument list, which is 5120, less the characters in the environment. Also, command substitutions may substitute no more characters than are allowed in an argument list.

To detect looping, the shell restricts the number of alias substitutions on a single line to 20.

See Also

access(S), exec(S), fork(S), pipe(S), signal(S), umask(S), wait(S), a.out(F), environ(F)

Credit

This utility was developed at the University of California at Berkeley and is used with permission.

Notes

Built-in control structure commands like foreach and while cannot be used with I, & or;

Commands within loops, prompted for by ?, are not placed in the history list.

It is not possible to use the colon (:) modifiers on the output of command substitutions.

Csh attempts to import and export the PATH variable for use with regular shell scripts. This only works for simple cases, where the PATH contains no command characters.

This version of csh does not support or use the process control features of the 4th Berkeley Distribution.

FIXPERM(C)

Name

fixperm - Corrects file permissions and ownership.

Syntax

fixperm [-c|-s] specfile ...

Description

Fixperm makes the listed pathname conform to the specification. Fixperm does this for each line in the specification file (specfile). The specification file must be in the format described below. There are two available options in fixperm:

- -s Alter the major/minor numbers of special files to match the specification when the file exists.
- -c Perform the function of the -s option, and create any files that are in the specification but are not found on the disk. Files created with this option match the specification. Plain files are given zero length, directories are created empty.

If you do not select either option, fixperm leaves the major/minor numbers of existing special files alone. In addition, fixperm sets the user id, group id, permissions, setuid bit, setgid bit, and sticky bit to match the specification.

Only the superuser may run fixperm. Fixperm should not be setuid.

If the file type does not match the specification, *fixperm* does not process the file, but instead prints appropriate diagnostic messages. Valid file types include plain, directory, character special, and block special.

Specification File Format

The specification file format uses three (with an optional fourth) data fields per line. The fields are:

- 1 Permissions
- 2 Owner
- 3 Pathname
- 4 Device numbers.

If a file is not a plain file, the first character of the line must contain a file type code. The codes are:

- b Block special
- c Character special
- d Directory

The rest of first field contains the file mode, including *setuid*, *setgid* and *sticky* bits. The second field is the *uid* in decimal, unless the *uid* is different from the *gid*. If the *uid* is different than the *gid*, the second field contains the *uid* (decimal), followed by a slash, followed by the *gid* (decimal). The third field contains the relative pathname. If the file is a block or character special file then the fourth field is required. The fourth field contains the major and minor numbers in decimal, separated by a slash.

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Example:

Permissions	Owner	Pathname	Device-numbers
d755	3	bin	
711	3	bin/awk	
4711	0/3	bin/.mail	
700	0/3	bin/disable	
711	3	bin/ed	
d755	2	dev	
c222	0	dev/console	0/0
b666	2	dev/fd0	1/0
c666	2	dev/rfd0	5/0
c222	0	dev/lp	6/128
644	3	etc/default/backup	

See Also

mknod(C), chown(C), chgrp(C)

Diagnostics

Messages resulting from any of the following are directed to the standard error output:

Poorly formatted specification file Incomplete system call Unknown command line argument Attempted use without being superuser

Notes

If a file is listed twice in the specificaiton file, *fixperm* uses the last valid entry. This can happen if the file has links and the specification file incorrectly edited.

FORMAT(C)

Name

format - Organizes floppy diskettes and disk cartridges into tracks and sectors.

Syntax

format [-qy][-ds | -dd] [-i interleave] specialfile

Description

Format formats two types of media: floppy disks and disk cartridges, based on the *specialfile* specified. By default, *format* performs a read-verify if a floppy diskette is formatted. If the **-q** option is selected and a floppy diskette is being formatted, no read-verification is performed, allowing the diskette to be formatted more quickly.

The *specialfile* must be the name of the I/O device special file that corresponds to the floppy disk drive or disk cartridge drive.

The -i option is only used with cartridges and allows you to specify the interleave used to format them with. You may use the following values for *interleave*:

10-meg cartridges

1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32

20-meg cartridges

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 32

The -d option is only used when formatting floppies and allows you to specify the density to format the floppy with. Using -d s formats the floppy in single density with 128 byte sectors. Using -d d formats the disk as a XENIX disk (double density, 512 byte sectors).

For example, the command

format fd0

formats a diskette in floppy drive 0. The command

format cd0

formats the disk cartridge in cartridge drive 0 (if installed).

Formatting a floppy disk or disk cartridge destroys the data on it. By default, *format* checks to see whether data is stored on the media before formatting it. If data is found, *format* displays the message

Warning: device contains data. Overwrite? (y/n):

If you still wish to overwrite the data, press 'Y' and press RETURN. Otherwise, press 'N' and press RETURN. This prompt is not displayed if you select the -y option.

Note that the floppy disk or disk cartridge must be in the appropriate drive before invoking the command.

Files

/bin/format

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Notes

An error message appears on the console if you run *format* on media that has never been formatted before. This is normal and the format continues.

Format only formats the diskette in the drive the system unit. Keep this in mind if you are working from a terminal.

The disk cartridge uses one track for the boot track. During the formatting procedure, information describing the size and shape of the formatted media is writen to the cartridge. Each cartridge contains spare areas that are used to maintain a constant-sized area for data storage. If these extra areas are all used, then the cartridge will no longer format.

A 10-megabyte cartridge has 9,760 blocks available for use by **mkfs**, **tar**, or **restore**. A 20-megabyte cartridge has 20,880 blocks available.

Never remove a floppy diskette from its drive until the drive light goes out.

HELLO (C)

Name

hello - Write to another user

Syntax

hello user [ttyname]

Description

Hello copies lines from your terminal to that of another user. When first called, hello sends the message: Hello from yourname yourttyname ... The recipient of the message should hello back at this point. Communication continues until an end of file is read from the terminal or an interrupt is sent. At that point hello writes "bye now" on the other terminal and exits.

If you want to write to a user who is logged at more than one terminal, use the *ttyname* argument to indicate the appropriate terminal name.

Permission to *hello* may be denied or granted by use of the *mesg* command which by default allows writing. Certain commands, such as *nroff* and *pr* disallow messages in order to prevent messy output.

If you try to write to a user who has messages disabled, *hello* sends mail to the user saying that a *hello* was attempted by you. This also happens if the user is not currently logged in. The following protocol is suggested for using *hello*: when you first write to another user, wait for him to write back before starting to send a message. Each party should end their message with a distinctive signal, such as "o" for "over" so the other knows to reply. Another suggestion is the use of "oo" for "over and out" when conversation is about to be terminated.

Files

/etc/utmp /bin/sh

See Also

mesg(C), who(C), mail(C)

 $IDLE\left(\mathbb{C}\right)$

Name

idle - Logs idle users off.

Syntax

idle [-d]

Description

Idle finds users that have been logged in and idle for more than a specified period of time, and logs them out. *Idle* is usually invoked by *cron*, the clock daemon.

If idle is invoked with the '-d' flag, it only reports user idle times, and the names of any processes that idle users are running. In this case, *idle* only reports on idle users and processes, and does not take any action. You can use this to see whom *idle* would log off if run without the '-d' option.

The time allowed, and other items are set in the file /etc/default/idle. All time values are in minutes. The items that you can control are:

NULLFILE	The list of programs that are not considered work. The user is considered idle if run-
	ning nothing but these programs.

LOGFILE	Where to record logouts. When set, a line is recorded here for each user that idle logs
	out.

C_LIMIT	The normal idle time limit. This determines how long idle will wait before logging
	out an idle user.

CD_LIMIT	The normal idle time limit for dial-in lines. A line is considered a dial-in line if it
	starts with "ttyd". For example, ttyd0 would be considered a dial-in line.

CB_LIMIT	The normal time limit for work programs. A work program is any program that is not
	listed in NULLFILE.

CDB_LIMIT	The normal time limit for work programs invoked through a dial-up line. A work	
program is any program that is not listed in NULLFILE.		

CHECK_INTERVAL This tells *idle* how often *cron* is to run it. For example, if you want *idle* to run every 10 minutes, put a "10" here, and put the line:

0,10,20,30,40,50 * * * * /usr/lib/idle

into /usr/lib/crontab.

Error Messages

"idle: Unknown argument"

The user gave idle an argument other than '-d'.

"idle: You need to run this program as root"

The user tried to run idle to log users off, and was not logged in as the superuser.

"idle: Can't open /etc/utmp"

The program was unable to open the login information file /etc/utmp.

"idle: Can't stat /dev/tty??"

The program was unable to find the idle time of the specified terminal.

"idle: Can't run "ps";"

The program was unable to execute the system utility ps.

"idle: Can't open /dev/tty??"

The program was unable to open the specified terminal to warn the user.

"WARNING fron Idle Daemon at time"

"If you do not type something in about *nn* minutes, you will be logged off."

This is the message that is used to warn the idle user.

 $LC\left(\mathbb{C}\right)$

Name

lc – Lists directory contents in columns.

Syntax

lc [-1ACFRabcdfgilmnqrstux] name ...

Description

Lc lists the contents of files and directories, in columns. If name is a directory name, lc lists the contents of the directory; if name is a filename, lc repeats the filename and any other information requested. Output is given in columns and sorted alphabetically. If no argument is given, the current directory is listed. If several arguments are given, they are sorted alphabetically, but file arguments appear before directories.

Files that are not the contents of a directory being interpreted are always sorted across the page rather than down the page in columns. A stream output format is available in which files are listed across the page, separated by commas. The -m option enables this format.

The options are:

- -1 Forces an output format with one entry per line.
- -A If the user is not root, this option displays all files that begin with "." (except "." and ".." themselves). If the user is root, this option does not display the files that begin with ".".
- -C Forces columnar output, even if redirected to a file.
- -F Causes directories to be marked with a trailing "'/" and executable files to be marked with a trailing "*".
- -R Recursively lists subdirectories.
- -a Lists all entries; usually "." and ".." are suppressed.
- -b Forces printing of nongraphic characters in the \ddd notation, in octal.
- -c Sorts by time of file creation.
- -d If the argument is a directory, lists only its name, not its contents (mostly used with -l to get status on directory).
- -f Forces each argument to be interpreted as a directory and lists the name found in each slot. This option turns of f-l, -t, -s, and -r, and turns on -a; the order is the order in which entries appear in the directory.
- -g The same as -l, except that the owner is not printed.
- -i Prints inode number in first column of the report for each file listed.
- Lists in long format, giving mode, number of links, owner, group, size in bytes, and time of last modification for each file. If the file is a special file the size field instead contains the major and minor device numbers.
- -o The same as -l, except that the group is not printed.
- -m Forces stream output format.

- -n Same as the -l switch, but the owner's user ID appears instead of the owner's name. If used in conjunction with the -g switch, the owner's group ID appears instead of the group name.
- -q Forces printing of nongraphic characters in filenames as the character "?".
- -r Reverses the order of sort to get reverse alphabetic or oldest first as appropriate.
- -s Gives size in 512-byte blocks, including indirect blocks for each entry.
- -t Sorts by time modified (latest first) instead of by name, as is normal.
- -u Uses time of last access instead of last modification for sorting (-t) or printing (-l).
- -x Forces columnar printing to be sorted across rather than down the page.

The following are alternate invocations of the lc command:

- If Produces the same output as lc -F.
- **lr** Produces the same output as **lc** -**R**.
- lx Produces the same output as lc -x.

The mode printed under the -l option contains 11 characters. The first character is:

- If the entry is a plain file
- **d** If the entry is a directory
- **b** If the entry is a block-type special file
- c If the entry is a character-type special file
- **p** If the entry is a named pipe
- s If the entry is a semaphore
- **m** If the entry is shared data (memory)

The next 9 characters are interpreted as 3 sets of 3 bits each. The first set refers to owner permissions; the next to permissions to others in the same user-group; and the last to all others. Within each set the 3 characters indicate permission respectively to read, to write, or to execute the file as a program. For a directory, "execute" permission is interpreted to mean permission to search the directory for a specified file. The permissions are indicated as follows:

- r If the file is readable
- w If the file is writable
- x If the file is executable
- If the indicated permission is not granted

The group-execute permission character is given as s if the file has set-group-ID mode; likewise the user-execute permission character is given as s if the file has set-user-ID mode.

The last character of the mode (normally "x" or "-") is t if the 1000 bit of the mode is on. See chmod(C) for the meaning of this mode.

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When the sizes of the files in a directory are listed, a total count of blocks, including indirect blocks, is printed.

Files

/etc/passwd

To get user IDs for "lc -l"

/etc/group

To get group IDs for "lc -g"

Credit

This utility was developed at the University of California at Berkeley and is used with permission.

Notes

Newline and tab are considered printing characters in filenames. The output device is assumed to be 80 columns wide. Column width choices are poor for terminals that can tab.

LPQ(C)

Name

lpq – line printer spooler queue status display.

Syntax

lpq

Description

Lpq prints the line printer queue. Each entry in the queue is printed showing the owner of the queue entry, an identification number, the size of the entry in characters, and the file which is to be printed. The *id* is useful for removing a specific entry from the printer queue using *lprm* (C).

Files

/usr/spool/lpd/* spool area

See Also

lprm(C), lpr(C)

LPRM(C)

Name

lprm - Removes an entry from the line printer queue.

Syntax

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lprm [id...] [filename] [owner]
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Description

Lprm removes an entry from the line printer queue. The id, filename, or owner should be the same as lpq(C) reports. Lprm will remove all of the appropriate files. Lprm will print the id of each file removed from the queue.

Files

/usr/spool/lpd/* /usr/lib/lpd spool area printer daemon

See Also

lpq(C), lpr(C)

LS(C)

Name

ls – Gives information about contents of directories.

Syntax

Is [-logtasdrucif] names

Description

For each directory named, *ls* lists the contents of that directory; for each file named, *ls* repeats its name and any other information requested. By default, the output is sorted alphabetically. When no argument is given, the current directory is listed. When several arguments are given, the arguments are first sorted appropriately, but file arguments are processed before directories and their contents. There are several options:

- -l Lists in long format, giving mode, number of links, owner, group, size in bytes, and time of last modification for each file (see below). If the file is a special file, the size field will contain the major and minor device numbers, rather than a size.
- -o The same as −I, except that the group is not printed.
- -g The same as -l, except that the owner is not printed.
- -t Sorts by time of last modification (latest first) instead of by name.
- -a Lists all entries; in the absence of this option, entries whose names begin with a period (.) are not listed.
- -s Gives size in (512 byte) blocks, including indirect blocks, for each entry.
- -d If argument is a directory, lists only its name; often used with -l to get the status of a directory.
- -r Reverses the order of sort to get reverse alphabetic or oldest first, as appropriate.
- -u Uses time of last access instead of last modification for sorting (with the -t option) and/or printing (with the -l option).
- -c Uses time of last modification of the inode (mode, etc.) instead of last modification of the file for sorting (-t) and/or printing (-l).
- -i For each file, prints the inode number in the first column of the report.
- -f Forces each argument to be interpreted as a directory and lists the name found in each slot. This option turns of f-l, -t, -s, and -r, and turns on -a; the order is the order in which entries appear in the directory.

The mode printed under the -l option consists of 11 characters. The first character is:

- If the entry is an ordinary file
- **d** If the entry is a directory
- **b** If the entry is a block special file
- c If the entry is a character special file
- p If the entry is a named pipe

- s If the entry is a semaphore
- m If the entry is a shared data (memory) file

The next 9 characters are interpreted as 3 sets of 3 bits each. The first set refers to the owner's permissions; the next to permissions of others in the user-group of the file; and the last to all others. Within each set, the 3 characters indicate permission to read, to write, and to execute the file as a program, respectively. For a directory, "execute" permission is interpreted to mean permission to search the directory for a specified file.

The permissions are indicated as follows:

- r If the file is readable
- w If the file is writable
- x If the file is executable
- If the indicated permission is *not* granted

When the sizes of the files in a directory are listed, a total count of blocks including indirect blocks is printed.

Files

/etc/passwd

Gets user IDs for ls -l and ls -o

/etc/group

Gets group IDs for ls -l and ls -g

See Also

chmod(C), find(C), l(C), lc(C)

Notes

Newline and tab are considered printing characters in filenames.

All switches must be given as one argument. Thus "ls –lsg" is legal, but "ls –l –s –g" is not.

MKNOD (C)

Name

mknod - Builds special files.

Syntax

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/etc/mknod name [ c ] [ b ] major minor
/etc/mknod name p
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Description

Mknod makes a directory entry and corresponding inode for a special file. The first argument is the *name* of the entry. In the first case, the second argument is $\bf b$ if the special file is block-type (disks, tape) or $\bf c$ if it is character-type (other devices). The last two arguments are numbers specifying the *major* device type and the *minor* device (e.g. unit, drive, or line number), which may be either decimal or octal.

The assignment of major device numbers is specific to each system.

Mknod can also be used to create named pipes with the **p** option.

Only the super-user can use the first form of the syntax.

See Also

mknod(S)

MOUNT (C)

Name

mount - Mounts a file structure.

Syntax

Description

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/etc/mount [ special-device directory [ -r ]]
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/etc/umount special-device

Mount announces to the system that a removable file structure is present on special-device. The file structure is mounted on directory. The directory must already exist; it becomes the name of the root of the newly mounted file structure.

The *mount* and *umount* commands maintain a table of mounted devices. If invoked with no arguments, for each special device *mount* prints the name of the device, the directory name of the mounted file structure, whether the file structure is read-only, and the date it was mounted.

The optional last argument indicates that the file is to be mounted read-only. Physically write-protected must be mounted in this way or errors occur when access times are updated, whether or not any explicit write is attempted.

Umount removes the removable file structure previously mounted on device special-device.

Files

/etc/mnttab Mount table

See Also

umount(C), mount(S), mnttab(F)

Diagnostics

Mount issues a warning if the file structure to be mounted is currently mounted under another name.

Busy file structures cannot be dismounted with *umount*. A file structure is busy if it contains an open file or some user's working directory.

Notes

Some degree of validation is done on the file structure, however it is generally unwise to mount corrupt file structures.

Be warned that when in single-user mode, the commands that look in /etc/mnttab for default arguments (for example df, ncheck, quot, mount, and umount) give either incorrect results (due to a corrupt /etc/mnttab from a non-shutdown stoppage) or no results (due to an empty mnttab from a shutdown stoppage).

When in multi-user mode this is not a problem; /etc/rc initializes /etc/mnttab to contain only /dev/root and subsequent mounts update it appropriately.

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The mount (C) and umount(C) commands do not use a lock file to guarantee exclusive access to /etc/mnttab, and it is possible to access the file while its contents are being updated. Executing mount and/or umount commands in parallel can cause the file to be corrupted and may cause possible warning messages in subsequent operations. This is not a problem in practice since mount and umount are not frequent operations and conflicts can be avoided by not performing mounts and/or umounts as background tasks.

For the purpose of system security, this command is available only to the super user.

Name

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qps - Quick process status report (quick "ps")
```

Syntax

qps

Description

Qps is a fast version of the ps(C) program. Qps prints information about all active processes.

The qps program does not have any options.

Qps prints information in columns. The column headings and their meanings are given below:

F A status word consisting of flags associated with the process. Each flag is associated with a bit in the status word. These flags are added to form a single number. Process flag bits and their meanings are:

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0x01 in core
0x02 system process
0x04 locked in core for physical I/O
0x08 being swapped
0x10 being traced by another process
```

S The state of the process:

S	sleeping
W	waiting
R	running
I	intermediate
Z	terminated
T	stopped

PID The process ID

PPID The ID of the parent process

TTY The controlling terminal for the process

UID The user ID of the process owner

Wchan The event for which the process is waiting or sleeping; "[run]" means that it is running

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SHUTDOWN (C) SHUTDOWN (C)

Name

shutdown - Terminates all processing.

Syntax

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|\text{etc/shutdown}[[+] \text{ minutes}][-q][-h \mid -r \mid -su][-n \text{ namelist}]
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Description

Shutdown is part of the XENIX operating procedures. Shutdown terminates all currently running processes in an orderly and cautious manner. The *minutes* argument is the number of minutes before a shutdown will occur. The value must range from 0-30 inclusive. The default value is 0 (immediate shutdown). Only root can use shutdown, although it can be run from any terminal.

Shutdown has five options:

-q Shutdown shuts down the system as quickly as possible. A Shutdown does not issue a warning to users that the system is being shutdown. Do not specify a number of minutes when using -q.

You may use any **one** of the following three options. If you do not specify one, *shutdown* uses –h as the default. The three options are:

- **-h** Shutdown halts the system.
- -r Shutdown reboots the system. The system returns to the boot prompt. If autoboot is enabled, the system will automatically come up in multi-user mode if the boot prompt is not answered within one minute. If you are at the console and wish to speed up the boot process, press the F1 key. After pressing the F1 key, the system will boot XENIX and come up in multi-user mode with no further prompts. You may also boot normally by pressing ENTER, or entering the name of the XENIX kernel. If autoboot is disabled, the system will wait for the user at the console to answer the boot prompt.
- -su Shutdown changes the system to single-user mode. The system changes to single-user mode, and shuts down multi-user mode.

You should use the -n option if the name of the kernel that you are booted on is not /xenix.

-n Shutdown uses a different pathname for the kernel. Type the pathname of the alternate kernel after -n.

If you do not specify any arguments when you run *shutdown*, the program will prompt you for them. If you run *shutdown* with at least one argument, the program will use defaults for the unspecified ones. The list of defaults is:

0 minutes (time until shutdown)

- –h (halt system)
- -n /xenix (standard kernel pathname)

No prompt messages

Shutdown operates in the following sequence:

- 1 Shutdown sends a broadcast message to all users, informing them of the pending shutdown.
- 2 Shutdown updates all file system super-blocks (see sync(C)) to ensure file system integrity.

SHUTDOWN (C)

3 Shutdown shuts down the system.

See Also

```
autoboot(C), sync(C), umount(C), wall(C)
```

Diagnostics

Device busy is the most common error diagnostic that will occur when running shutdown. This error occurs when shutdown cannot dismount a file system. See umount(C).

Files

/etc/shutdown

shutdown program

/xenix

default kernel namelist

Notes

To cancel *shutdown*, press the BREAK key before the time to shut down expires. *Shutdown* ignores the BREAK key after the time expires.

Shutdown does not lock hard disk heads.

Name

tar - Archives files.

Syntax

tar [key] [files]

Description

Tar saves and restores files to and from an archive medium, which is typically a storage device such as floppy disk or tape, or a regular file. Its actions are controlled by the key argument. The key is a string of characters containing at most one function letter and possibly one or more function modifiers. Valid function letters are c, t, x, u, e, and r. Other arguments to the command are files (or directory names) specifying which files are to be backed up or restored. In all cases, appearance of a directory name refers to the files and (recursively) subdirectories of that directory.

The function portion of the key is specified by one of the following letters:

- **r** The named *files* are written to the end of the archive. The **c** function implies this function.
- The named *files* are extracted from the archive. If a named file matches a directory whose contents had been written onto the archive, this directory is (recursively) extracted. The owner, modification time, and mode are restored (if possible). If no *files* argument is given, the entire contents of the archive are extracted. Note that if several files with the same name are on the archive, the last one overwrites all earlier ones.
- t The names of the specified files are listed each time that they occur on the archive. If no *files* argument is given, all the names on the archive are listed.
- **u** The named *files* are added to the archive if they are not already there, or if they have been modified since last written on that archive. Do not use the **u** option with a blocking factor other than 1 (see the b option).
- c Creates a new archive; writing begins at the beginning of the archive, instead of after the last file. This command implies the **r** function.

The following characters may be used in addition to the letter that selects the desired function:

- 0,...,7 This modifier selects the drive on which the archive is mounted. The default is found in the file /etc/default/tar.
- v Normally, tar does its work silently. The v (verbose) option causes it to type the name of each file it treats, preceded by the function letter. With the t function, v gives more information about the archive entries than just the name.
- w Causes *tar* to print the action to be taken, followed by the name of the file, and then wait for the user's confirmation. If a word beginning with y is given, the action is performed. Any other input means "no".
- Causes tar to use the next argument as the name of the archive instead of the default device listed in /etc/default/tar. If the name of the file is a dash (-), tar writes to the standard output or reads from the standard input, whichever is appropriate. Thus, tar can be used as the head or tail of a pipeline. Tar can also be used to move hierarchies with the command:

cd fromdir; tar cf - . | (cd todir; tar xf -)

b Causes *tar* to use the next argument as the blocking factor for archive records. The default is taken from the appropriate line of /etc/default/tar, and the maximum is 20. This option should only be used with raw magnetic tape archives (see **f** above) or to explicitly specify that the archive is unblocked ("b 1"). The block size is determined automatically when reading tapes (key letters x and t).

- F Causes *tar* to use the next argument as the name of a file from which succeeding arguments are taken. A lone dash (–) signifies that arguments will be taken from the standard input.
- Tells *tar* to print an error message if it cannot resolve all of the links to the files being backed up. If **l** is not specified, no error messages are printed.
- **m** Tells *tar* to not restore the modification times. The modification time of the file will be the time of extraction.
- k Causes *tar* to use the next argument as the size of an archive volume in kilobytes. The minimum value allowed is 250. This option is useful when the archive is not intended for a magnetic tape device, but for some fixed size device, such as floppy disk (See **f** above). Very large files are split into "extents" across volumes. When restoring from a multivolume archive, *tar* only prompts for a new volume if a split file has been partially restored. To override the value of **k** in the **default** file, specify **k** as 0 on the command line.
- e Prevents files from being split across volumes (tapes or floppy disks). If there is not enough room on the present volume for a given file, *tar* prompts for a new volume. This is only valid when the **k** option is also specified on the command line.
- n Indicates the archive device is not a magnetic tape. The **k** option implies this. Listing and extracting the contents of an archive are sped because *tar* can seek over files it wishes to skip. Sizes are printed in kilobytes instead of tape blocks.
- **p** Indicates that files are to be extracted using their original permissions. It is possible that a non-super-user may be unable to extract files because of the permissions associated with the files or directories being extracted.
- A Suppresses absolute filenames during extraction. Any leading "'/"characters are removed from filenames. Arguments given should match the relative (rather than the absolute) pathnames of the files extracted.

Tar reads /etc/default/tar to obtain default values for the device, blocking factor and volume size. If no numeric key is specified on the command, tar will look for a line in the default file beginning with the string "archive0=". Following this pattern are 3 blank separated strings indicating the values for the device, blocking factor, and volume size, in that order. A volume size of '0' indicates infinite volume length, (the previous default value of volume) and is suitable for magnetic tape media. An example /etc/default/tar line follows:

"archive0=/dev/fd0 1 400"

Any default value may be overridden on the command line. The numeric keys (0-7) select the line from the default value beginning with "archive#=", where # is the numeric key. When the f key letter is specified on the command line, the entry "archivef=" is used. In this case, the default file entry must still contain 3 strings, but the first entry (specifying the device) is not significant. The default file /etc/default/tar must exist.

Examples

If the name of a floppy disk device is /dev/fd1, then a tar format file can be created on this device by typing: assign /dev/fd1

tar cvfk /dev/fd1 360 files

where *files* are the names of files you want archived and 360 is the capacity of the floppy disk in kilobytes. Note that arguments to key letters are given in the same order as the key letters themselves, thus the **fk** key letters have corresponding arguments /dev/fd1 and 360. Note that if a *file* is a directory then the contents of the directory are recursively archived. To print a listing of the archive, type:

tar tvf /dev/fd1

At some later time you will likely want to extract the files from the archive floppy. You can do this by typing:

tar xvf /dev/fd1

The above command extracts all files from the archive using the exact same pathnames as used when the archive was created. Because of this behavior, it is normally best to save archive files with relative pathnames rather than absolute ones, since directory permissions may not let you read the files into the absolute directories specified. (See the A flag under *Options*.)

In the above examples, the v verbose option is used simply to confirm the reading or writing of archive files on the screen. Also, a normal file could be substituted for the floppy device |dev| in the examples.

Files

/etc/default/tar

Default devices, blocking and volume sizes

/tmp/tar*

Diagnostics

Prints an error message about bad key characters and archive read/write errors.

Prints an error message if not enough memory is available to hold the link tables.

Will not function without a valid /etc/default/tar.

Notes

There is no way to ask for the *n*th occurrence of a file.

The u option can be slow.

A blocking factor should not be used with archives that are going to be updated. Either explicitly specify the b option with an argument of 1, or specify a device with a default blocking factor (in /etc/default/tar) of 1. If the archive is on a disk file, the b option should be specified as 1, or specify a device with a default blocking factor of 1, because updating an archive stored on disk can destroy it. In order to update (\mathbf{r} or \mathbf{u} option) a tar archive, do not use raw magtape and use the b option with a blocking factor of 1. This applies both when updating and when the archive was first created.

The limit on filename length is 100 characters.

When archiving a directory that contains subdirectories, *tar* will only access those subdirectories that are within 17 levels of nesting. Subdirectories at higher levels will be ignored after *tar* displays an error message.

Don't do:

tar xfF --

This would imply taking two things from the standard input at the same time.

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vi - Invokes a screen-oriented display editor.

Syntax

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vi [ -option... ] [ command ] [ filename]
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Description

Vi offers a powerful set of text editing operations based on a set of mnemonic commands. Most commands are single keystrokes that perform simple editing functions. Vi displays a full screen "window" into the file you are editing. The contents of this window can be changed quickly and easily within vi. While editing, visual feedback is provided (the name vi itself is short for "visual").

Vi and the line editor ex are one and the same editor: the names vi and ex identify a particular user interface rather than any underlying functional difference. The differences in user interface, however, are quite striking. Ex is a powerful line-oriented editor, similar to the editor ed. However, in both ex and ed, visual updating of the terminal screen is limited, and commands are entered on a command line. Vi, on the other hand, is a screen-oriented editor designed so that what you see on the screen corresponds exactly and immediately to the contents of the file you are editing.

Options available on the vi command line:

- -t Equivalent to an initial *tag* command; edits the file containing the tag and positions the editor at its definition.
- -r Used in recovering after an editor or system crash, retrieving the last saved version of the named file. If no file is specified, this option prints a list of saved files.
- -l Specific to editing LISP, this option sets the showmatch and lisp options.
- -wn Sets the default window size to n. Useful on dialups to start in small windows.
- -R Sets a readonly option so that files can be viewed but not edited.

The Editing Buffer

Vi performs no editing operations on the file that you name during invocation. Instead, it works on a copy of the file in an *editing buffer*. The editor remembers the name of the file specified at invocation, so that it can later copy the editing buffer back to the named file. The contents of the named file are not affected until the changes are copied back to the original file. This allows editing of the buffer without immediately destroying the contents of the original file.

When you invoke vi with a single filename argument, the named file is copied to a temporary editing buffer. When the file is written out, the temporary file is written back to the named file.

Modes of Operation

Within vi there are three distinct modes of operation:

Command Mode Within command mode, signals from the keyboard are interpreted as editing

commands.

Insert Mode Insert mode can be entered by typing any of the vi insert, append, open, substi-

tute, change, or replace commands. Once in insert mode, letters typed at the

keyboard are inserted into the editing buffer.

Ex Escape Mode The vi and ex editors are one and the same editor differing mainly in their user

interface. In vi commands are usually single keystrokes. In ex, commands are lines of text terminated by a RETURN. Vi has a special "escape" command that gives access to many of these line-oriented ex commands. To escape to ex escape mode, type a colon (:). The colon is echoed on the status line as a prompt for the ex command. An executing command can be aborted by pressing INTERRUPT. Most file manipulation commands are executed in ex escape mode; for example, the commands to read in a file, and to write out the editing

buffer to a file.

Special Keys

There are several special keys in vi. These keys are used to edit, delimit, or abort commands and command lines.

ESC Used to return to vi command mode, cancel partially formed commands.

RETURN Terminates ex commands when in ex escape mode. Also used to start a new line when in insert mode.

INTERRUPT

Often the same as the DEL or RUBOUT key on many terminals. Generates an interrupt, telling the editor to stop what it is doing. Used to abort any command that is executing.

Used to specify a string to be searched for. The slash appears on the status line as a prompt for a search string. The question mark (?) works exactly like the slash key, except that it is used to search backward in a file instead of forward.

The colon is a prompt for an ex command. You can then type in any ex command, followed by an ESC or RETURN and the given ex command is executed.

The following characters are special in insert mode:

BKSP Backs up the cursor one character on the current line. The last character typed before the BKSP is removed from the input buffer, but remains displayed on the screen.

CNTRL-U Moves the cursor back to the first character of the insertion, and restarts insertion.

CNTRL-V Removes the special significance of the next typed character. Use CNTRL-V to insert control characters. Line feed and CNTRL-J cannot be inserted in the text except as newline characters. CNTRL-Q and CNTRL-S are trapped by the operating system before they are interpreted by vi, so they too cannot be inserted as text.

CNTRL-W Moves the cursor back to the first character of the last inserted word.

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CNTRL-T During an insertion, with the *autoindent* option set and at the beginning of the current line, typing this character will insert *shiftwidth* whitespace.

CNTRL-@ If typed as the first character of an insertion it is replaced with the last text inserted, and the insertion terminates. Only 128 characters are saved from the last insertion. If more than 128 characters were inserted, then this command inserts no characters. A CNTRL-@ cannot be part of a file, even if quoted.

Invoking and Exiting Vi

To enter vi type:

vi Edits empty editing buffer

vi file Edits named file

vi +123 file Goes to line 123

vi +45 file Goes to line 45

vi +/word file Finds first occurrence of "word"

vi +/tty file Finds first occurrence of "tty"

There are several ways to exit the editor:

ZZ The editing buffer is written to the file *only* if any changes were made.

:x The editing buffer is written to the file *only* if any changes were made.

:q! Cancels an editing session. The exclamation mark (!) tells vi to quit unconditionally. In this case, the editing buffer is not written out.

Vi Commands

Vi is a visual editor with a window on the file. What you see on the screen is vi's notion of what the file contains. Commands do not cause any change to the screen until the complete command is typed. Most commands may take a preceding count that specifies repetition of the command. This count parameter is not given in the following command descriptions, but is implied unless overriden by some other prefix argument. When vi gets an improperly formatted command it rings a bell.

Cursor Movement

The cursor movement keys allow you to move your cursor around in a file. Note in particular the arrow keys (if available on your terminal), the "h" "j", "k", and "l" cursor keys, and SPACE, BKSP, CNTRL-N, and CNTRL-P. These three sets of keys perform identical functions.

Forward Space - I, SPACE, or -->

Syntax:

. .

SPACE

-->

Function: Moves the cursor forward one character. If a count is given, move forward count characters. You

cannot move past the end of the line.

Backspace - h, BKSP, or <--

Syntax:

h

BKSP

<---

Function:

Moves cursor backward one character. If a count is given, moves backward *count* characters. Note that you cannot move past the beginning of the current line.

Next Line - +, RETURN, j, CNTRL-N, and LF

Syntax:

+

RETURN

Function:

Moves the cursor down to the beginning of the next line.

Syntax:

j

CNTRL-N

LF

(down arrow)

Function:

Moves the cursor down one line, remaining in the same column. Note the difference between these commands and the preceding set of next line commands which move to the *beginning* of the next line.

Previous Line - k, CNTRL-P, and -

Syntax:

k

CNTRL-P (up arrow)

Function:

Moves the cursor up one line, remaining in the same column. If a count is given then the cursor is moved *count* lines.

Syntax:

-

Function:

Moves the cursor up to the beginning of the previous line. If a count is given then the cursor is moved up a *count* lines.

Beginning of Line - 0 and ^

Syntax:

0

Function: Moves the cursor to the beginning of the current line. Note that **0** always moves the cursor to the first character of the current line. The caret (^) works somewhat differently: it moves to the first character on a line that is not a tab or a space. This is useful when editing files that have a great deal of indentation, such as program texts.

End of Line - \$

Syntax:

\$

Function:

Moves the cursor to the end of the current line. Note that the cursor resides on top of the last character on the line. If a count is given, then the cursor is moved forward *count*-1 lines to the end of the line.

Goto Line - G

Syntax:

[linenumber]G

Function:

Moves the cursor to the beginning of the line specified by *linenumber*. If no *linenumber* is given, the cursor moves to the beginning of the *last* line in the file. To find the line number of the current line, use CNTRL-G.

Column - |

Syntax:

[column]

Function:

Moves the cursor to the column in the current line given by *column*. If no *column* is given then the cursor is moved to the first column in the current line.

Word Forward - w and W

Syntax:

W

W

Function:

Moves the cursor forward to the beginning of the next word. The lowercase w command searches for a word defined as a string of alphanumeric characters separated by punctuation or whitespace (i.e., tab, newline, or space characters). The uppercase W command searches for a word defined as a string of non-whitespace characters.

Back Word - b and B

Syntax:

b

B

Function

Moves the cursor backward to the beginning of a word. The lowercase **b** command searches backward for a word defined as a string of alphanumeric characters separated by punctuation or whitespace (i.e., tab, newline, or space characters). The uppercase **B** command searches for a word defined as a string of non-whitespace characters. If the cursor is already within a word, then it moves backward to the beginning of that word.

End - e and E

Syntax:

е

 \mathbf{E}

Function:

Moves the cursor to the end of a word. The lowercase e command moves the cursor to the last character of a word, where a word is defined as a string of alphanumeric characters separated by punctuation or whitespace (i.e., tab, newline, or space characters). The uppercase E moves the cursor to the last character of a word where a word is defined as a string of non-whitespace characters. If the cursor is already within a word, then it moves to the end of that word.

Sentence – (and)

Syntax:

(

Function:

Moves the cursor to the beginning (left parenthesis) or end of a sentence (right parenthesis). A sentence is defined as a sequence of characters ending with a period (.), question mark (?), or exclamation mark (!), followed by either two spaces or a newline. A sentence begins on the first non-whitespace character following a preceding sentence. Sentences are also delimited by paragraph and section delimiters. See below.

Paragraph - { and }

Syntax:

{

Function:

Moves the cursor to the beginning ({) or end (}) of a paragraph. A paragraph is defined with the paragraphs option. By default, paragraphs are delimited by the nroff macros ".IP", ".LP", ".P", ".QP", and ".bp". Paragraphs also begin after empty lines.

Section - [[and]]

Syntax:

]]

Function:

Moves the cursor to the beginning ([[) or end (]]) of a section. A section is defined with the *sections* option. By default, sections are delimited by the nroff macros ".NH" and ".SH". Sections also start at formfeeds (CNTRL-L) and at lines beginning with a brace ({).

Match Delimiter - %

Syntax:

%

Function:

Moves the cursor to a matching delimiter, where a delimiter is a parenthesis, a bracket, or a brace. This is useful when matching pairs of nested parentheses, brackets, and braces.

Home - H

Syntax:

[offset]**H**

Function:

Moves the cursor to upper left corner of screen. Use this command to quickly move to the top of the screen. If an *offset* is given, then the cursor is homed *offset*-1 number of lines from the top of the screen. Note that the command "dH" deletes all lines from the current line to the top line shown on the screen.

Middle Screen - M

Syntax:

M

Function:

Moves the cursor to the beginning of the screen's middle line. Use this command to quickly move to the middle of the screen from either the top or the bottom. Note that the command "dM" deletes from the current line to the line specified by the M command.

Lower Screen - L

Syntax:

[offset]L

Function:

Moves the cursor to the lowest line on the screen. Use this command to quickly move to the bottom of the screen. If an *offset* is given, then the cursor is homed *offset*-1 number of lines from the bottom of the screen. Note that the command "dL" deletes all lines from the current line to the bottom line shown on the screen.

Previous Context - `` and "

Syntax:

'character

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`character

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Function:

Moves the cursor to previous context or to context marked with the **m** command. If the single quotation mark or back quotation mark is doubled, then the cursor is moved to previous context. If a single character is given after either quotation mark, then the cursor is moved to the location of the specified mark as defined by the **m** command. Previous context is the location in the file of the last "nonrelative" cursor movement. The single quotation mark (´) syntax is used to move to the beginning of the line representing the previous context. The back quotation mark (`) syntax is used to move to the previous context within a line.

The Screen Commands

The screen commands are *not* cursor movement commands and cannot be used in delete commands as the delimiters of text objects. However, the screen commands do move the cursor and are useful in paging or scrolling through a file. These commands are described below:

Page - CNTRL-U and CNTRL-D

Syntax:

[size]CNTRL-U

[size]CNTRL-D

Function:

Scrolls the screen up a half window (CNTRL-U) or down a half window (CNTRL-D). If *size* is given, then the scroll is *size* number of lines. This value is remembered for all later scrolling commands.

Scroll - CNTRL-F and CNTRL-B

Syntax:

CNTRL-F

CNTRL-B

Function:

Pages screen forward and backward. Two lines of continuity are kept between pages if possible. A preceding count gives the number of pages to move forward or backward.

Status - CNTRL-G

Syntax:

BELL CNTRL-G

Function:

Prints vi status on status line. This gives you the name of the file you are editing, whether it has been modified, the current line number, the number of lines in the file, and the percentage of the file (in lines) that precedes the cursor.

Zero Screen - z

Syntax:

[linenumber]z[size]RETURN

[linenumber]**z**[size].
[linenumber]**z**[size].

Function:

Redraws the display with the current line placed at or "zeroed" at the top, middle, or bottom of the screen, respectively. If you give a *size*, then the number of lines displayed is equal to *size*. If a preceding *linenumber* is given, then the given line is placed at the top of the screen. If the last argument is a RETURN, then the current line is placed at the top of the screen. If the last argument is a period (.), then the current line is placed in the middle of the screen. If the last argument is a minus sign (–), then the current line is placed at the bottom of the screen.

Redraw - CNTRL-L

Syntax:

CNTRL-L

Function:

Redraws the screen. Use this command to erase any system messages that may scramble your

screen. Note that system messages do not affect the file you are editing.

Text Insertion

The text insertion commands always place you in insert mode. Exit from insert mode is always done by pressing ESC. The following insertion commands are "pure" insertion commands; no text is deleted when you use them. This differs from the text modification commands change, replace, and substitute, which delete and then insert text in one operation.

Insert - i and I

Syntax:

i[text]ESC

I[text]ESC

Function:

Insert *text* in editing buffer. The lowercase **i** command places you in insert mode. *Text* is inserted *before* the character beneath the cursor. To insert a newline, just press a RETURN. Exit insert mode by typing the ESC key. The uppercase **I** command places you in insert mode, but begins text insertion at the beginning of the current line, rather than before the cursor.

Append - a and A

Syntax:

a[text]ESC

A[text]ESC

Function:

Appends *text* to the editing buffer. The lowercase a command works *exactly* like the lowercase i command, except that text insertion begins after the cursor and not before. This is the one way to add text to the end of a line. The uppercase A command begins appending text at the end of the current line rather than after the cursor.

Open New Line - o and O

Syntax:

o[text]ESC

O[text]ESC

Function:

Opens a new line and inserts text. The lowercase o command opens a new line below the current line; uppercase O opens a new line *above* the current line. After the new line has been opened, both these commands work like the I command.

Text Deletion

Many of the text deletion commands use the letter "d" as an operator. This operator deletes text objects delimited by the cursor and a cursor movement command. Deleted text is always saved away in a buffer. The delete commands are described below:

Delete Character - x and X

Syntax:

X

X

Function:

Deletes a character. The lowercase x command deletes the character beneath the cursor. With a preceding count, *count* characters are deleted to the right beginning with the character beneath the cursor. This is a quick and easy way to delete a few characters. The uppercase X command deletes the character just before the cursor. With a preceding count, *count* characters are deleted backward, beginning with the character just before the cursor.

Delete - d and D

Syntax:

dcursor-movement

dd

D

Function:

Deletes a text object. The lowercase **d** command takes a *cursor-movement* as an argument. If the *cursor-movement* is an intraline command, then deletion takes place from the cursor to the end of the text object delimited by the *cursor-movement*. Deletion forward deletes the character beneath the cursor; deletion backward does not. If the *cursor-movement* is a multiline command, then deletion takes place from and including the current line to the text object delimited by the *cursor-movement*.

The dd command deletes whole lines. The uppercase D command deletes from and including the cursor to the end of the current line.

Deleted text is automatically pushed on a stack of buffers numbered 1 through 9. The most recently deleted text is also placed in a special delete buffer that is logically buffer 0. This special buffer is the default buffer for all (put) commands using the double quotation mark (") to specify the number of the buffer for delete, put, and yank commands. The buffers 1 through 9 can be accessed with the $\bf p$ and $\bf P$ (put) commands by appending the double quotation mark (") to the number of the buffer. For example

"4p

puts the contents of delete buffer number 4 in your editing buffer just below the current line. Note that the last deleted text is "put" by default and does not need a preceding buffer number.

Text Modification

The text modification commands all involve the replacement of text with other text. This means that some text will necessarily be deleted. All text modification commands can be "undone" with the u command, discussed below:

Undo - u and U

Syntax:

u

U

Function:

Undoes the last insert or delete command. The lowercase **u** command undoes the last insert or delete command. This means that after an insert, **u** deletes text; and after a delete, **u** inserts text. For the purposes of undo, all text modification commands are considered insertions.

The uppercase U command restores the current line to its state before it was edited, no matter how many times the current line has been edited since you moved to it.

Repeat - .

Syntax:

Function:

Repeats the last insert or delete command. A special case exists for repeating the p and P "put" commands. When these commands are preceded by the name of a delete buffer, then successive u commands print out the contents of the delete buffers.

Change - c and C

Syntax:

ccursor-movement textESC

CtextESC cctextESC

Function:

Changes a text object and replaces it with text. Text is inserted as with the i command. A dollar sign (\$) marks the extent of the change. The c command changes arbitrary text objects delimited by the cursor and a cursor-movement. The C and cc commands affect whole lines and are identical in function.

Replace - r and R

Syntax:

rchar

Rtext**ESC**

Overstrikes character or line with *char* or *text*, respectively. Use \mathbf{r} to overstrike a single character and **R** to overstrike a whole line. A count multiplies the replacement text count times.

Substitute - s and S

Syntax:

stextESC

StextESC

Function:

Substitutes current character or current line with text. Use s to replace a single character with new text. Use S to replace the current line with new text. If a preceding count is given, then text substitutes for count number of characters or lines depending on whether the command is s or S, respectively.

Filter -!

Syntax:

!cursor-movement cmdRETURN

Function:

Filters the text object delimited by the cursor and *cursor-movement* through the XENIX command, cmd. For example, the following command sorts all lines between the cursor and the bottom of the screen, substituting the designated lines with the sorted lines:

!Lsort

Arguments and shell metacharacters may be included as part of cmd; however, standard input and output are always associated with the text object being filtered.

Join Lines - J

Syntax:

J

Function: Joins the current line with the following line. If a count is given, then count lines are joined.

Shift - < and >

Syntax:

>[cursor-movement]

<[cursor-movement]

>>

<<

Function:

Shifts text left (>) or right (<). Text is shifted by the value of the option *shiftwidth*, which is normally set to eight spaces. Both the > and < commands shift all lines in the text object delimited by the current line and *cursor-movement*. The >> and << commands affect whole lines. All versions of the command can take a preceding count that acts to multiply the number of objects affected.

Text Movement

The text movement commands move text in and out of the named buffers a-z and out of the delete buffers 1-9. These commands either "yank" text out of the editing buffer and into a named buffer or "put" text into the editing buffer from a named buffer or a delete buffer. By default, text is put and yanked from the "unnamed buffer", which is also where the most recently deleted text is placed. Thus it is quite reasonable to delete text, move your cursor to the location where you want the deleted text placed, and then put the text back into the editing buffer at this new location with the **p** or **P** command.

The named buffers are most useful for keeping track of several chunks of text that you want to keep on hand for later access, movement, or rearrangement. These buffers are named with the letters "a" through "z". To refer to one of these buffers (or one of the numbered delete buffers) in a command such as put, yank, or delete, use a quotation mark. For example, to yank a line into the buffer named a, type:

"ayy

To put this text back into the file, type:

"ap

If you delete text into the buffer named A rather than a, then text is appended to the buffer.

Note that the contents of the named buffers are not destroyed when you switch files. Therefore, you can delete or yank text into a buffer, switch files, and then do a put. Buffer contents are *destroyed* when you exit the editor, so be careful.

Put - p and P

Syntax:

["alphanumeric]**p**

["alphanumeric]P

Function:

Puts text from a buffer into the editing buffer. If no buffer name is specified, then text is put from the unnamed buffer. The lowercase **p** command puts text either below the current line or after the cursor, depending on whether the buffer contains a partial line or not. The uppercase **P** command puts text either above the current line or before the cursor, again depending on whether the buffer contains a partial line or not.

Yank - y and Y

Syntax:

["letter]ycursor-movement

["letter]yy ["letter]Y

Function:

Copies text in the editing buffer to a named buffer. If no buffer name is specified, then text is yanked into the unnamed buffer. If an uppercase *letter* is used, then text is appended to the buffer and does not overwrite and destroy the previous contents. When a *cursor-movement* is given as an argument, the delimited text object is yanked. The Y and yy commands yank a single line, or, if a preceding count is given, multiple lines can be yanked.

Searching

The search commands search either forward or backward in the editing buffer for text that matches a given regular expression.

Search - / and ?

Syntax:

/[pattern]/[offset]RETURN

/[pattern]RETURN

?[pattern]?[offset]RETURN

?[pattern]RETURN

Function:

Searches forward (/) or backward (?) for pattern. A string is actually a regular expression. The trailing delimiter is not required. If no pattern is given, then last pattern searched for is used. After the second delimiter, an offset may be given, specifying the beginning of a line relative to the line on which pattern was found. For example

/word/-

finds the beginning of the line immediately preceding the line containing "word" and

/word/+2

finds the beginning of the line two lines after the line containing "word". See also the *ignore-case* and *magic* options.

Next String - n and N

Syntax:

n

N

Function:

Repeats the last search command. The n command repeats the search in the same direction as the last search command. The n command repeats the search in the opposite direction of the last search command.

Find Character - f and F

Syntax:

fchar

Fchar

ĺ

Function:

Finds character *char* on the current line. The lowercase \mathbf{f} searches forward on the line; the uppercase \mathbf{F} searches backward. The semicolon (;) repeats the last character search. The comma (,) reverses the direction of the search.

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To Character - t and T

Syntax: tchar

Tchar

,

Function:

Moves the cursor up to but not on to *char*. The semicolon (;) repeats the last character search.

The comma (,) reverses the direction of the search.

Mark - m

Syntax: m

mletter

Function:

Marks a place in the file with a lowercase *letter*. You can move to a mark using the "to mark" commands described below. It is often useful to create a mark, move the cursor, and then delete from the cursor to the mark "a" with the following command:

d'a

To Mark - 'and'

Syntax:

letter

`letter

Function:

Move to *letter*. These commands let you move to the location of a mark. Marks are denoted by single lowercase alphabetic characters. Before you can move to a mark, it must first be created with the **m** command. The back quotation mark (´) moves you to the exact location of the mark within a line; the forward quotation mark (´) moves you to the beginning of the line containing the mark. Note that these commands are also legal cursor movement commands.

Exit and Escape Commands

There are several commands that are used to escape from vi command mode and to exit the editor. These are described below:

Ex Escape -:

Syntax:

:

Function:

Enters ex escape mode to execute an ex command. The colon appears on the status line as a prompt for an ex command. You then can enter an ex command line terminated by either a RETURN or an ESC and the ex command will execute. You are then prompted to type RETURN to return to vi command mode. During the input of the ex command line or during execution of the ex command you may press INTERRUPT to abort what you are doing and return to vi command mode.

Exit Editor - ZZ

Syntax:

ZZ

Function:

Exit vi and write out the file if any changes have been made. This returns you to the shell from

which you invoked vi.

Quit to Ex - Q

Syntax:

Q

Function: Enters the ex editor. When you do this, you will still be editing the same file. You can return to

vi by typing the vi command from ex.

Ex Commands

Typing the colon (:) escape command when in command mode, produces a colon prompt on the status line. This prompt is for a command available in the line-oriented editor, ex. In general, ex commands let you write out or read in files, escape to the shell, or switch editing files.

Many of these commands perform actions that affect the "current" file by default. The current file is normally the file that you named when you invoked vi, although the current file can be changed with the "file" command, **f**, or with the "next" command, **n**. In most respects, these commands are identical to similar commands for the editor, **ed**. All such ex commands are aborted by either a RETURN or an ESC. We shall use a RETURN in our examples. Command entry is terminated by typing an INTERRUPT.

Command Structure

Most ex command names are English words, and initial prefixes of the words are acceptable abbreviations. In descriptions, only the abbreviation is discussed, since this is the most frequently used form of the command. The ambiguity of abbreviations is resolved in favor of the more commonly used commands. As an example, the command **substitute** can be abbreviated **s** while the shortest available abbreviation for the **set** command is **se.**

Most commands accept prefix addresses specifying the lines in the file that they are to affect. A number of commands also may take a trailing *count* specifying the number of lines to be involved in the command. Counts are rounded down if necessary. Thus, the command "10p" will print the tenth line in the buffer while "move 5" will move the current line after line 5.

Some commands take other information or parameters, stated after the command name. Examples might be option names in a **set** command, such as "set number", a filename in an **edit** command, a regular expression in a **substitute** command, or a target address for a **copy** command, such as

1,5 copy 25

A number of commands have variants. The variant form of the command is invoked by placing an exclamation mark (!) immediately after the command name. Some of the default variants may be controlled by options; in this case, the exclamation mark turns off the meaning of the default.

In addition, many commands take flags, including the characters "p" and "l". A "p" or "l" must be preceded by a blank or tab. In this case, the command abbreviated by these characters is executed after the command completes. Since ex normally prints the new current line after each change, **p** is rarely necessary. Any number of plus (+) or minus (-) characters may also be given with these flags. If they appear, the specified offset is applied to the current line value before the printing command is executed.

Most commands that change the contents of the editor buffer give feedback if the scope of the change exceeds a threshold given by the **report option**. This feedback helps to detect undesirably large changes so that they may be quickly and easily reversed with the undo command. After commands with global effect, you will be informed if the net change in the number of lines in the buffer during this command exceeds this threshold.

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Command Addressing

The following specifies the line addressing syntax for ex commands:

The current line. Most commands leave the current line as the last line which they affect. The default address for most commands is the current line, thus "·." is rarely used alone as an address.

The *n*th line in the editor's buffer, lines being numbered sequentially from 1.

\$ The last line in the buffer.

% An abbreviation for "1,\$", the entire buffer.

+n or -n An offset, n relative to the current buffer line. The forms ".+3" "+3" and "+++" are all equivalent. If the current line is line 100 they all address line 103.

/pattern/ or ?pattern?

Scan forward and backward respectively for a text matching the regular expression given by pattern. Scans normally wrap around the end of the buffer. If all that is desired is to print the next line containing pattern, then the trailing slash (/) or question mark (?) may be omitted. If pattern is omitted or explicitly empty, then the string matching the last specified regular expression is located. The forms "RETURN" and "RETURN" scan using the last named regular expression. After a substitute, "RETURN" and "PRETURN" would scan using that substitute's regular expression.

" or 'x

Before each nonrelative motion of the current line dot (.), the previous current line is marked with a label, subsequently referred to with two single quotation marks (´´). This makes it easy to refer or return to this previous context. Marks are established with the vi **m** command, using a single lowercase letter as the name of the mark. Marked lines are later referred to with the notation

x.

where x is the name of a mark.

Addresses to commands consist of a series of addresses, separated by a colon (:) or a semicolon (;). Such address lists are evaluated left to right. When addresses are separated by a semicolon (;) the current line (.) is set to the value of the previous addressing expression before the next address is interpreted. If more addresses are given than the command requires, then all but the last one or two are ignored. If the command takes two addresses, the first addressed line must precede the second in the buffer. Null address specifications are permitted in a list of addresses, the default in this case is the current line "."; thus ",100" is equivalent to ",100". It is an error to give a prefix address to a command which expects none.

Command Format

The following is the format for all ex commands:

[address] [command] [!] [parameters] [count] [flags]

All parts are optional depending on the particular command and its options. The following section describes specific commands.

Argument List Commands

The argument list commands allow you to work on a set of files, by remembering the list of filenames that are specified when you invoke vi. The **args** command lets you examine this list of filenames. The **file** command gives you information about the current file. The **n** (next) command lets you either edit the next file in the argument list or change the list. And the **rewind** command lets you restart editing the files in the list. All of these commands are described below:

args

The members of the argument list are printed, with the current argument delimited by brackets. For example, a list might look like this:

file1 file2 [file3] file4 file5

The current file is *file3*.

f

Prints the current filename, whether it has been modified since the last **write** command, whether it is readonly, the current linenumber, the number of lines in the buffer, and the percentage of the buffer that you have edited. In the rare case that the current file is "[Not edited]" this is noted also; in this case you have to use the form "w!" to write to the file, since the editor is not sure that a **w** command will not destroy a file unrelated to the current contents of the buffer.

f file

The current filename is changed to file which is considered "[Not edited]".

n

The next file in the command line argument list is edited.

n!

This variant suppresses warnings about the modifications to the buffer not having been written out, discarding irretrievably any changes that may have been made.

n [+command] filelist

The specified *filelist* is expanded and the resulting list replaces the current argument list; the first file in the new list is then edited. If *command* is given (it must contain no spaces), then it is executed after editing the first such file.

rew

The argument list is rewound, and the first file in the list is edited.

rew!

Rewinds the argument list discarding any changes made to the current buffer.

Edit Commands

To edit a file other than the one you are currently editing, you will often use one of the variations of the e command.

In the following discussions, note that the name of the current file is always remembered by vi and is specified by a percent sign (%). The name of the *previous* file in the editing buffer is specified by a number sign (#).

The edit commands are described below:

e file

Used to begin an editing session on a new file. The editor first checks to see if the buffer has been modified since the last w command was issued. If it has been, a warning is issued and the command is aborted. The command otherwise deletes the entire contents of the editor buffer, makes the named file the current file and prints the new filename. After ensuring that this file is sensible, (i.e., that it is not a binary file, directory, or a device), the editor reads the file into its buffer. If the read of the file completes without error, the number of lines and characters read is printed on the status line. If there were any non-ASCII characters in the file they are stripped of

their non-ASCII high bits, and any null characters in the file are discarded. If none of these errors occurred, the file is considered edited. If the last line of the input file is missing the trailing newline character, it is supplied and a complaint issued. The current line is initially the first line of the file.

e! file This variant form suppresses the complaint about modifications having been made and not written from the editor buffer, thus discarding all changes that have been made before editing the new file.

e +n file Causes the editor to begin editing at line n rather than at the first line. The argument n may also be an editor command containing no spaces; for example, "+/pattern".

CNTRL-^

This is a shorthand equivalent for ":e #RETURN", which returns to the previous position in the last edited file. If you do not want to write the file you should use ":e! #RETURN" instead.

Write Commands

The write commands let you write out all or part of your editing buffer to either the current file or to some other file. These commands are described below:

w file

Writes changes made back to *file*, printing the number of lines and characters written. Normally, *file* is omitted and the buffer is written to the name of the current file. If *file* is specified, then text will be written to that file. The editor writes to a file only if it is the current file and is edited, or if the file does not exist. Otherwise, you must give the variant form **w!** to force the write. If the file does not exist it is created. The current filename is changed only if there is no current filename; the current line is never changed.

If an error occurs while writing the current and edited file, the editor prints

No write since last change

even if the buffer had not previously been modified.

w>> file

Appends the buffer contents at the end of an existing file. Previous file contents are not destroyed.

w! name

Overrides the checking of the normal write command, and writes to any file that the system permits.

w !command

Writes the specified lines into command. Note the difference between

w! file

which overrides checks and

w!cmd

which writes to a command. The output of this command is displayed on the screen and not inserted in the editing buffer.

Read Commands

The read commands let you read text into your editing buffer at any location you specify. The text you read in must be at least one line long, and can be either a file or the output from a command.

r file Places: copy of the text of the given file in the editing buffer after the specified line. If no file is given then the current filename is used. The current filename is not changed unless there is none, in which case the file becomes the current name. If the file buffer is empty and there is no current name then this is treated as an e command.

Address 0 is legal for this command and causes the file to be read at the beginning of the buffer. Statistics are given as for the e command when the r successfully terminates. After an r the current line is the last line read.

r!command

Reads the output of *command* into the buffer after the specified line. A blank or tab before the exclamation mark (!) is mandatory.

Quit Commands

There are several ways to exit vi. Some abort the editing session, some write out the editing buffer before exiting, and some warn you if you decide to exit without writing out the buffer. All of these ways of exiting are described below:

Exits vi. No automatic write of the editor buffer to a file is performed. However, vi issues a warning message if the file has changed since the last w command was issued, and does not quit. Vi will also issue a diagnostic if there are more files in the argument list left to edit. Normally, you will wish to save your changes, and you should give a w command. If you wish to discard them, use the "q!" command variant.

q! Quits from the editor, discarding changes to the buffer without complaint.

wq name Like a w and then a q command.

wq! name This variant overrides checking of the w command so that you can write to any file that the system allows.

x name If any changes have been made and not written, writes the buffer out and then quits. Otherwise, it just quits.

Global and Substitute Commands

The global and substitute commands allow you to perform complex changes to a file in a single command. Learning how to use these commands is a must for the serious user of vi.

g/pattern/cmds

The **g** command has two distinct phases. In the first phase, each line matching *pattern* in the editing buffer is marked. Next, the given command list is executed with the current line, dot (.), initially set to each marked line.

The command list consists of the remaining commands on the current input line and may continue to multiple lines by ending all but the last such line with a backslash (\). This multiple-line option will not work from within vi, you must switch to ex to do it. If *cmds* (or the trailing slash (/) delimiter) is omitted, then each line matching *pattern* is printed.

The g command itself may not appear in cmds. The options autoprint and autoindent are inhibited during a global command and the value of the report option is temporarily infinite, in deference to a report for the entire global. Finally, the context mark (') or (') is set to the value of the current line (.) before the global command begins and is not changed during a global command.

The following global commands, most of them substitutions, cover the most frequent uses of the global command.

g/s1/pThis command simply prints all lines that contain the string "s1".

g/s1/s//s2/ This command substitutes the first occurrence of "s1" on all lines that contain it with the

string "s2".

g/s1/s//s2/g This command substitutes all occurrences of "s1" with the string "s2". This includes

multiple occurrences of "s1" on a line.

g/s1/s//s2/gp This command works the same as the preceding example, except that in addition, all

changed lines are printed on the screen.

g/s1/s//s2/gc This command asks you to confirm that you want to make each substitution of the string

"s1" with the string "s2". If you type a "y" then the given substitution is made, other-

wise it is not.

g/s0/s/s1/s2/g This command marks all those lines that contain the string "s0", and then for those lines

only, it substitutes all occurrences of the string "s1" with "s2".

This variant form of g runs cmds at each line not matching pattern. g!/pattern/cmds

s/pattern/repl/options

On each specified line, the first instance of text matching the regular expression pattern is replaced by the replacement text repl. If the global indicator option character "g" appears, then all instances on a line are substituted. If the confirm indication character "c" appears, then before each substitution the line to be substituted is printed on the screen with the string to be substituted marked with caret (^) characters. By typing a "y", you cause the substitution to be performed; any other input causes no change to take place. After an s command the current line is the last line substituted.

v/pattern/cmds A synonym for the global command variant g!, running the specified cmds on each line that does not match pattern.

Text Movement Commands

The text movement commands are largely superseded by commands available in vi command mode. However, the following two commands are still quite useful.

A copy of the specified lines is placed after addr, which may be "0". The current line co addr flags

"." addresses the last line of the copy.

[range]maddr The m command moves the lines specified by range after the line given by addr. For

example, "m+" swaps the current line and the following line, since the default range is just

the current line. The first of the moved lines becomes the current line (dot).

Shell Escape Commands

You will often want to escape from the editor to execute normal XENIX commands. You may also want to

change your working directory so that your editing can be done with respect to a different working directory. These operations are described below:

cd directory

The specified *directory* becomes the current directory. If no directory is specified, the current value of the home option is used as the target directory. After a cd the current file is not considered to have been edited so that write restrictions on preexisting files still apply.

sh

A new shell is created. You may invoke as many commands as you like in this shell. To return to vi, type a CNTRL-D to terminate the shell.

!command

The remainder of the line after the exclamation (!) is sent to a shell to be executed. Within the text of command the characters "%" and "#" are expanded as the filenames of the current file and the last edited file and the character "!" is replaced with the text of the previous command. Thus, in particular, "!!" repeats the last such shell escape. If any such expansion is performed, the expanded line is echoed. The current line is unchanged by this command.

If there has been "[No write]" of the buffer contents since the last change to the editing buffer, then a diagnostic is printed before the command is executed as a warning. A single exclamation (!) is printed when the command completes.

Other Commands

The following command descriptions explain how to use miscellaneous ex commands that do not fit into the above categories:

abbr Maps the first argument to the following string. For example, the following command

:abbr rainbow yellow green blue red

maps "rainbow" to "yellow green blue red". Abbreviations can be turned off with the unabbreviate command, as in:

:una rainbow

map, map! Maps any character or escape sequence to an existing command sequence. Characters mapped with map! work only in insert mode, while characters mapped with map work only in command

nu

Prints each specified line preceded by its buffer line number. The current line is left at the last line printed. To get automatic line numbering of lines in the buffer, set the *number* option.

preserve

The current editor buffer is saved as though the system had just crashed. This command is for use only in emergencies when a w command has resulted in an error and you don't know how to save your work.

Prints the line number of the addressed line. The current line is unchanged.

recover file

Recovers file from the system save area. The system saves a copy of the editing buffer only if you have made changes to the file, the system crashes, or you execute a preserve command. Except when you use preserve you will be notified by mail when a file is saved.

set argument

With no arguments, set prints those options whose values have been changed from their defaults;

with the argument all it prints all of the option values.

Giving an option name followed by a question mark (?) causes the current value of that option to be printed. The "?" is unnecessary unless the option is Boolean valued. Switch options are given values either with

set option

to turn them on or

set nooption

to turn them off. String and numeric options are assigned with

set option=value

More than one parameter may be given to set; all are interpreted from left to right.

tag label

The focus of editing switches to the location of *label*. If necessary, vi will switch to a different file in the current directory to find *label*. If you have modified the current file before giving a **tag** command, you must first write it out. If you give another **tag** command with no argument, then the previous *label* is used.

Similarly, if you type only a CNTRL-], vi searches for the word immediately after the cursor as a tag. This is equivalent to typing ":tag", this word, and then a RETURN.

The tags file is normally created by a program such as **ctags**, and consists of a number of lines with three fields separated by blanks or tabs. The first field gives the name of the tag, the second the name of the file where the tag resides, and the third gives an addressing form which can be used by the editor to find the tag. This field is usually a contextual scan using /pattern/ to be immune to minor changes in the file. Such scans are always performed as if the nomagic option was set. The tag names in the tags file must be sorted alphabetically. There are a number of options that can be set to affect the vi environment. These can be set with the ex set command either while editing or immediately after vi is invoked in the vi start-up file, .exrc.

The first thing that must be done before you can use vi, is to set the terminal type so that vi understands how to talk to the particular terminal you are using.

Each time vi is invoked, it reads commands from the file named *.exrc* in your home directory. This file normally sets the user's preferred options so that they need not be set manually each time you invoke vi. Each of the options is described in detail below.

Options

There are only two kinds of options: switch options and string options. A switch option is either on or off. A switch is turned off by prefixing the word *no* to the name of the switch within a set command. String options are strings of characters that are assigned values with the syntax *option=string*. Multiple options may be specified on a line. *Vi* options are listed below:

autoindent, ai default: noai

Can be used to ease the preparation of structured program text. For each line created by an append, change, insert, open, or substitute operation, vi looks at the preceding line to determine and insert an appropriate amount of indentation. To back the cursor up to the preceding tab stop, you can type CNTRL-D. The tab stops going backward are defined as multiples of the *shiftwidth* option. You cannot backspace over the indent, except by typing a CNTRL-D.

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Specially processed in this mode is a line with no characters added to it, which turns into a completely blank line (the whitespace provided for the *autoindent* is discarded.) Also specially processed in this mode are lines beginning with a caret (^) and immediately followed by a CNTRL-D. This causes the input to be repositioned at the beginning of the line, but retains the previous indent for the next line. Similarly, a "O" followed by a CNTRL-D repositions the cursor at the beginning but without retaining the previous indent. *Autoindent* doesn't happen in global commands.

autoprint ap default: ap

Causes the current line to be printed after each ex copy, move, or substitute command. This has the same effect as supplying a trailing "p" to each such command. *Autoprint* is suppressed in globals, and only applies to the last of many commands on a line.

autowrite, aw default: noaw

Causes the contents of the buffer to be automatically written to the current file if you have modified it when you give a **next**, **rewind**, **tag**, or ! command, or a CNTRL-^ (switch files) or CNTRL-] (tag go to) command.

beautify, bf default: nobeautify

Causes all control characters except tab, new line and formfeed to be discarded from the input. A complaint is registered the first time a backspace character is discarded. *Beautify* does not apply to command input.

directory, dir default: dir=/tmp

Specifies the directory in which vi places the editing buffer file. If this directory is not writable, then the editor will exit abruptly when it fails to write to the buffer file.

edcompatible default: noedcompatible

Causes the presence or absence of g and c suffixes on substitute commands to be remembered, and to be toggled on and off by repeating the suffixes. The suffix r causes the substitution to be like the command, instead of like &.

errorbells,eb default: noeb

Error messages are preceded by a bell. If possible, the editor always places the error message in inverse video instead of ringing the bell.

hardtabs, ht default: ht=8

Gives the boundaries on which terminal hardware tabs are set or on which the system expands tabs.

ignorecase, ic default: noic

Maps all uppercase characters in the text to lowercase in regular expression matching. In addition, all uppercase characters in regular expressions are mapped to lowercase except in character class specifications enclosed in brackets.

lisp default: nolisp

Autoindent indents appropriately for LISP code, and the () {} [[and]] commands are modified to have meaning for LISP.

list default: nolist

All printed lines will be displayed unambiguously, showing tabs and end-of-lines.

magic default: magic

If *nomagic* is set, the number of regular expression metacharacters is greatly reduced, with only caret (^) and dollar sign (\$) having special effects. In addition the metacharacters "~" and "&" in replacement patterns are treated as normal characters. All the normal metacharacters may be made *magic* when *nomagic* is set by preceding them with a backslash (\).

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mesg default: nomesg

Causes write permission to be turned off to the terminal while you are in visual mode, if *nomesg* is set. This prevents people writing to your screen with the XENIX **write** command and scrambling your screen as you edit.

number, n default: nonumber

Causes all output lines to be printed with their line numbers.

open default:open

If set to *noopen*, the commands **open** and **visual** are not permitted from ex. This is set to prevent confusion resulting from accidental entry to open or visual mode.

optimize, opt default: optimize

Output of text to the screen is expedited by setting the terminal so that it does not perform automatic carriage returns when printing more than one line of output, thus greatly speeding output on terminals without addressable cursors when text with leading whitespace is printed.

paragraphs, para default: para=IPLPPPQPP TPbp

Specifies paragraph delimiters for the { and } operations. The pairs of characters in the option's value are the names of the nroff macros that start paragraphs.

prompt default: prompt

Ex input is prompted for with a colon (:). If *noprompt* is set, when ex command mode is entered with the Q command, no colon prompt is displayed on the status line.

redraw default: noredraw

The editor simulates (using great amounts of output), an intelligent terminal on a dumb terminal. Useful only at very high speed.

remap default: remap

If on, mapped characters are repeatedly tried until they are unchanged. For example, if o is mapped to O and O is mapped to O is mapp

report default: report=5

Specifies a threshold for feedback from commands. Any command that modifies more than the specified number of lines will provide feedback as to the scope of its changes. For global commands and the undo command, which have potentially far reaching scope, the net change in the number of lines in the buffer is presented at the end of the command, subject to this same threshold. Thus notification is suppressed during a **g** command on the individual commands performed.

scroll default: scroll=1/2 window

Determines the number of logical lines scrolled when CNTRL-D is received from a terminal input in command mode, and the number of lines printed by a command mode **z** command (double the value of scroll).

sections default: sections=SHNHH HU

Specifies the section macros for the [[and]] operations. The pairs of characters in the option's value are the names of the nroff macros that start paragraphs.

shell, sh default: sh=/bin/sh

Gives the pathname of the shell forked for the shell escape command "!", and by the shell command. The default is taken from SHELL in the environment, if present.

shiftwidth, sw default: sw=8

Gives the width of a software tab stop, used in reverse tabbing with CNTRL-D when using *autoindent* to append text, and by the shift commands.

showmatch, sm default: nosm

When a) or } is typed, moves the cursor to the matching (or { for one second if this matching character is on the screen.

tabstop, ts default: ts=8

The editor expands tabs in the input file to be on tabstop boundaries for the purposes of display.

taglength, tl default: tl=0

The first *taglength* characters in a tag name are significant, but all others are ignored. A value of zero (the default) means that all characters are significant.

tags default: tags=tags /usr/lib/tags

A path of files to be used as tag files for the **tag** command. A requested tag is searched for in the specified files, sequentially. By default files named *tag* are searched for in the current directory and in /usr/lib.

term default=value of shell TERM variable

The terminal type of the output device.

terse default: noterse

Shorter error diagnostics are produced for the experienced user.

warn default: warn

Warn if there has been "[No write since last change]" before a shell escape command (!),

window default: window=speed dependent

This specifies the number of lines in a text window. The default is 8 at slow speeds (600 baud or less), 16 at medium speed (1200 baud), and the full screen (minus one line) at higher speeds.

w300, w1200, w9600

These are not true options but set *window* (above) only if the speed is slow (300), medium (1200), or high (9600), respectively.

wrapscan, ws default: ws

Searches using the regular expressions in addressing will wrap around past the end of the file.

wrapmargin, wm default: wm=0

Defines the margin for automatic insertion of newlines during text input. A value of zero specifies no wrap margin.

writeany, wa default: nowa

Inhibits the checks normally made before write commands, allowing a write to any file that the system protection mechanism will allow.

Regular Expressions

A regular expression specifies a set of strings of characters. A member of this set of strings is said to be *matched* by the regular expression. Vi remembers two previous regular expressions: the previous regular expression used in a substitute command and the previous regular expression used elsewhere, referred to as the previous *scanning* regular expression. The previous regular expression can always be referred to by a null regular expression: e.g., "//" or "??".

The regular expressions allowed by vi are constructed in one of two ways depending on the setting of the *magic* option. The ex and vi default setting of *magic* gives quick access to a powerful set of regular expression metacharacters. The disadvantage of *magic* is that the user must remember that these metacharacters are *magic* and precede them with the backslash (\) to use them as "ordinary" characters. With *nomagic* set,

regular expressions are much simpler, there being only two metacharacters. The power of the other metacharacters is still available by preceding the now ordinary character with a "\". Note that "\" is thus always a metacharacter. In this discussion the magic option is assumed. With *nomagic* the only special characters are the caret (^) at the beginning of a regular expression, the dollar sign (\$) at the end of a regular expression, and the backslash (\). The tilde (~) and the ampersand (&) also lose their special meanings related to the replacement pattern of a substitute.

The following basic constructs are used to construct *magic* mode regular expressions.

char

An ordinary character matches itself. Ordinary characters are any characters except a caret (^) at the beginning of a line, a dollar sign (\$) at the end of line, a star (*) as any character other than the first, and any of the following characters:

. \ [~

These characters must be escaped (i.e., preceded) by a backslash (\) if they are to be treated as ordinary characters.

- ^ At the beginning of a pattern this forces the match to succeed only at the beginning of a line.
- \$ At the end of a regular expression this forces the match to succeed only at the end of the line.
- . Matches any single character except the newline character.
- \< Forces the match to occur only at the beginning of a "word"; that is, either at the beginning of a line, or just before a letter, digit, or underline and after a character not one of these.
- \> Similar to "\<", but matching the end of a "word", i.e. either the end of the line or before a character which is not a letter, a digit, or the underline character.

[string]

Matches any single character in the class defined by *string*. Most characters in *string* define themselves. A pair of characters separated by a dash (-) in *string* defines the set of characters between the specified lower and upper bounds, thus "[a-z]" as a regular expression matches any single lowercase letter. If the first character of *string* is a caret (^) then the construct matches those characters which it otherwise would not. Thus "[^a-z]" matches anything but a lowercase letter or a newline. To place any of the characters caret, left bracket, or dash in *string* they must be escaped with a preceding backslash (\).

The concatenation of two regular expressions first matches the leftmost regular expression and then the longest string that can be recognized as a regular expression. The first part of this new regular expression matches the first regular expression and the second part matches the second. Any of the single character matching regular expressions mentioned above may be followed by a "star" (*) to form a regular expression that matches zero or more adjacent occurrences of the characters matched by the prefixing regular expression. The tilde (~) may be used in a regular expression to match the text that defined the replacement part of the last s command. A regular expression may be enclosed between the sequences "\('\)" and "\)" to remember the text matched by the enclosed regular expression. This text can later be interpolated into the replacement text using the notation

\digit

where digit enumerates the set of remembered regular expressions.

The basic metacharacters for the replacement pattern are the ampersand (&) and the tilde (~) these are given as "\&" and "\~" when *nomagic* is set. Each instance of the ampersand is replaced by the characters matched by the regular expression. In the replacement pattern the tilde stands for the text of the previous replacement pattern.

Other metasequences possible in the replacement pattern are always introduced by a backslash (\setminus). The sequence " \setminus " is replaced by the text matched by the *n*th regular subexpression enclosed between " \setminus " and " \setminus ". When nested, parenthesized subexpressions are present, *n* is determined by counting occurrences of " \setminus " starting from the left. The sequences " \setminus " and " \setminus " cause the immediately following character in the replacement to be converted to uppercase or lowercase, respectively, if this character is a letter. The sequences " \setminus " and " \setminus " turn such conversion on, either until " \setminus E" or " \setminus e" is encountered, or until the end of the replacement pattern.

Limitations

When using vi, you should note the following limits:

250,000 lines in a file

1024 characters per line

256 characters per global command list

128 characters per filename

128 characters in the previous inserted and deleted text

100 characters in a shell escape command

63 characters in a string valued option

30 characters in a tag name

Notes

The /usr/lib/ex3.7preserve program is used to restore vi buffer files that were lost as a result of a system crash. The program searches the /tmp directory for vi buffer files and places them in the directory /usr/preserve. The owner can retrieve these files using the -r option.

W(C) W(C)

Name

w - display who is on and what they are doing

Synopsis

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w [-u] [ -k kernel ] [ user...]
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Description

W prints a summary of the current activity on the system, including what each user is doing. The heading line shows the current time of day, how long the system has been up, the number of users logged into the system, and the number of jobs, or processes running.

The fields output are: the users login name, the name of the tty the user is on (also shows if messages are disabled by displaying a "*" in front of the tty name), the time of day the user logged on, the number of minutes since the user last typed anything, the number of jobs the user is running, and the name of the current process.

The $-\mathbf{u}$ flag displays only the header line. The $-\mathbf{k}$ flag allows specifying an alternate kernel (for when the system is not booted on /xenix).

If any user names are included, the output will be restricted to those users.

Files

/etc/utmp

Who's logged on

/dev/procs

What they're doing

/dev/kmem

How long the system has been up

See Also

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who(C), finger(C), ps(C), qps(C)
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Notes

The notion of the "current process" is muddy. The current algorithm is "the last descendant of the highest numbered process on the terminal". This fails, for example, when the user is running a program in background and is sitting idle at the shell prompt. (In cases where no process can be found, w prints a "-".)

Background processes are not shown, even though they can account for much of the load on the system.

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Name

xmail - Improved mail program.

Syntax

xmail [options] [user ...]

Description

Xmail is an improved version of the mail program. it lets you use any editor available on the system for creating mail. *Xmail* maintains a local working mailbox for later reference of past messages and new mail.

If you wish to read your mail, type: xmail [options]

The available options are:

- -d Overrides the initialization file .xmailrc "maildir=" option
- -q Sets quiet mode when you are not sending mail. In quiet mode, *xmail* does not display the messages in your file when it starts up or when you enter a new mailbox. This is the same as the "set -showmsgs" option in .xmailrc.

When used while sending mail, the -q option sets "quick mode. When "quick" mode is set, *xmail* does not automatically enter the editor, regardless of how the "editmail" option is set. Instead, *xmail* prompts for "Subject" and other information without invoking the editor.

- -R Makes the mailfile a read only file. That is, you cannot get new mail, delete messages, or edit messages. When -R is used, *xmail* does not make a copy of the mailbox and therefore loads the mailbox faster. This option is useful if you only wish to look at the mailbox.
- -f mailfile Opens mailfile as the mailbox instead of the default mailbox.
- -m Opens a *mailbox* file in the user's mail directory instead of in the current working directory (used with the -f option).
- -s *subject* Sets the subject line to *subject* when sending mail.

RC Files

When you invoke xmail, it reads the file "/usr/lib/xmail.rc". *Xmail* gets the initialization options for the system from this file. Next, *xmail* tries to open the .xmailrc in your home directory. From this file, *xmail* gets the options that you set. You can set or change these options temporarily by using the *xmail* "o" command. You can also set them permanently by editing the .xmailrc file.

The options are:

alias mailname username [username...]

Creates a user alias. This sets mailname to expand to one or more user addresses.

autodelete userid [userid...]

Instructs xmail to delete new mail from the specified user(s) when you exit your mailbox.

full_name=name

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full name=OFF

Allows you to specify your full name for xmail to use when it is sending network mail, when xmail sends network mail, it adds this line to the message:

From: system!user (Full Name Here)

Use the fullname option to change the name shown or to specify OFF if you don't want your full name used.

ignore userid [userid ...]

Instructs xmail to automatically delete any mail coming from a user whose login name is *userid*. To display the current ignore list, type the following at the mail> prompt:

o show ignores

mailbox=name

Changes the name of the default working mailbox from .mbox to name. Xmail opens name in your home directory.

maildir=directory

Changes the current working directory when you run xmail for the duration of the mail session. Xmail -d will override this option.

record_file=filename record_file=OFF

Tells xmail to save a copy of all mail that you send out in *filename*. This option acts independently of autocc. This option differs from the autocc option in that instead of sending the message through the system mailer, it is copied into the specified file.

savembox=name

Change the name of the default save mailbox from mbox to name.

set [-]option

Sets specific parameters for *xmail*. Possible options are given next.

Note:

Specify the minus sign (-) to turn

the option off.

autocc

Tells xmail to automatically send you a carbon copy (Cc:) of all mail that you send.

autoprint

Displays the next message automatically when you delete or save the current message.

banner

Uses a banner saying "user's Mail" when printing mail.

clear_hdr

Clear the screen when displaying message headers with the header command (h), or when displaying option settings.

confirm

Sets *xmail* to require a RETURN on commands that do not accept parameters such as the new mail command (n). When confirm is set On, *xmail* only accepts RETURN and the KILL and ERASE characters when you select such a command.

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deletesave

Automatically deletes messages once you have saved them with the save command.

editmail

Automatically invokes the editor when sending mail. If you turn off this option, *xmail* prompts you for header information and then for the message itself (with a > prompt for each line).

getnewmail

Automatically gets new mail when you start xmail in your default working mailbox.

ignore cr

Tells *xmail* to ignore the RETURN key when prompting for a command. If this option is off, RETURN acts the same as the = command: it reads the next message.

includetext

Includes the text of the message to which you are replying in your message. This option only works when the editmail option is turned ON, as otherwise you are not allowed to edit the message before you add your own text.

indent=string

Indents forwarded mail and the included text of reply mail with string. The default is no indention.

mesg

Lets you allow or disallow messages from other users during the mail session.

prompt nl

Controls the newline in front of xmail's prompts. Some find extraneous newlines annoying.

showdelete

Display deleted messages when showing message headers.

showlines

Tells xmail to display the number of lines and bytes when displaying message headers. Xmail uses the format lines/bytes when displaying the size.

showmsgs

Displays messages currently in your mailbox when you start up xmail, or enter a new mailbox.

strict

Does not allow lines in the header block which *xmail* does not recognize. If this option is off, you can place anything in the header block. To edit the header block, you must also invoke the editmail option.

verbose

Displays messages indicating *xmail's* progress while loading a mailbox, updating a mailbox, or performing other functions.

setenv VAR value [value ...]

Sets the environment variable VAR to the value(s) given.

signfile=signaturefile signfile=OFF

Tells *xmail* to add the text found in signaturefile to your message template before you reach the editor, or where to find your signature when using *sendmail's* put signature command (p). If you specify OFF, *xmail* does not include a signature file.

sysalias name user [user ...]

Creates a system alias, which is invisible to the user (not shown by the A command). This is normally

used by the system administrator to create a system-wide alias in the /usr/lib/xmail.rc file. To display the system aliases, type at the mail> prompt:

o show sysaliases

umask value

Sets the umask while running xmail to the requested value while running xmail.

unalias name

Removes name from xmail's alias list.

Defaults For Xmail Option Settings:

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maildir=.
mailbox=~/.mbox
savembox=~/mbox
record_file=OFF
signfile=OFF
set prompt_nl showmsgs -getnewmail -autodelete
set mesg -showlines
set -ignore_cr -autocc verbose -showdelete banner
set -autoprint -confirm strict -includetext
set -showlines
```

Xmail Commands

When you startup *xmail*, it tells you which version number, and how many messages are in the mailbox you have selected or in your default mailbox if you didn't select one. *Xmail* also shows whether or not you have received new mail.

Xmail then displays its prompt. There is a set of commands which you can enter at this prompt.

NOTE

The term *msg#-list* refers to a set of messages which you can specify at this prompt. You may specify them in any of the following forms:

number	single message
number number	list of messages
number-number	range of messages
	for current message
\$	for last message
*	all messages in file

For example: d 1 2 4-7 .-11 14-\$

The xmail commands are:

a name list	Adds a user alias to xmail's list.
A	Display xmail's current alias list.
c	Checks system mailbox for new mail.
d msg#-list	Delete message(s) from the mailbox.
D	Delete the current message from the mailbox. This is the same as d ENTER.

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e msg#-list Lets you edit the specified message. Lets you edit the current message. This is the same as e ENTER. E f msg#-list user Forward a message to user. F [-p] str [file] Find a string in the specified file. Xmail looks for files in the current directory. Specify the -p option if you want the output duplicated by the printer. You can specify a list of files by separating each with a space. Specify "." to indicate the current working mailbox (default). Goes to the specified mailfile after updating the current mailbox. Specify the -R option g [-R] mailfile if you want read only access to mailfile. Goes to the specified mailfile but does not update the current mailbox. Specify the -R G [-R] mailfile option if you want read only access to mailfile. h msg#-list Shows a header for each message specified. If you specify only one number, xmail displays a screenful of headers starting at that message number. If you omit msg#-list, xmail displays the next screenful of messages. H Shows a header for the last screenful of messages Displays the contents of the current directory. Sends a message to the specified user(s) by first invoking the editor. If you specify -s m [-s 'subj'] user with a subject enclosed in quotes, xmail will insert the subject into the header block. Gets new mail from the system mailbox. n Lets you enter a .xmailrc option. o option 0 Displays the current .xmailrc option settings. Prints the specified message(s) on the system printer. p msg#-list P Prints the current message on the system printer. This is the same as p ENTER. Exits *xmail* and updates the mailbox. q Q Exits xmail but does not update the mailbox. Any new mail is still saved. r msg#-list Sends a reply to specified message(s). R Sends a reply to the current message. This is the same as **r** ENTER. Saves the specified message(s) to file. If you omit file, xmail saves the file to the s msg#-list file default save file (usually ~/mbox). S Saves the current message(s) to file (usually ~/mbox). Types (displays) the specified message(s). You can omit "t" and simply type the mest msg#-list sage number. T Types (displays) the current message. This is the same as t ENTER.

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Undelete message(s) in the mailbox.

u msg#-list

v Display the version number of *xmail*.

Displays the previous message.

+ or = Displays the next message.

ENTER Displays the next message if the ignore_cr option is turned off.

! Starts up a shell.

!command Runs a shell command and returns to xmail.

Displays a header line for the current message and the current mailbox name.

? Display xmail's help screen.

Sending Mail

After exiting the editor when sending mail, xmail displays a sendmail> prompt. At this prompt, you can enter one of the following commands:

a *file* Add the contents of file to the message.

c Continue adding text to the message.

d Display the message.

e Re-edit the message.

p Add the signature file to the message.

q Ouit.

s Send the message.

? Display help screen.

The following commands are only available from "sendmail>" if you have entered *xmail* and have read in a mailbox:

h Display message headers.

r msg#-list Read the specified messages into text.

Display the current message header.

The /etc/usemap File

When sending mail, xmail looks at the address. If it is a uucp network address in the form system!user, xmail attempts to open the file /etc/usemap. If the file exists, xmail tries to find a uucp path for system. If the path exists, xmail substitutes that path for system. If there is not an entry for system, xmail displays a warning message. If /etc/usemap does not exist, xmail leaves the address alone.

Xmail expects /etc/usemap to contain a sorted list of system names followed by at least one space, then the path to that system with a %s for the user name. For example:

flakey doc!flakey!%s

mcp sneezy!eagle!mcp!%s

trsvax trsvax!%s

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e msg#-list	Lets you edit the specified message.
E	Lets you edit the current message. This is the same as e ENTER.
f msg#-list user	Forward a message to user.
F [-p] str [file]	Find a string in the specified file. <i>Xmail</i> looks for files in the current directory. Specify the -p option if you want the output duplicated by the printer. You can specify a list of files by separating each with a space. Specify "." to indicate the current working mailbox (default).
g [-R] mailfile	Goes to the specified <i>mailfile</i> after updating the current mailbox. Specify the -R option if you want read only access to mailfile.
G [-R] mailfile	Goes to the specified <i>mailfile</i> but does not update the current mailbox. Specify the -R option if you want read only access to <i>mailfile</i> .
h msg#-list	Shows a header for each message specified. If you specify only one number, <i>xmail</i> displays a screenful of headers starting at that message number. If you omit <i>msg#-list</i> , <i>xmail</i> displays the next screenful of messages.
Н	Shows a header for the last screenful of messages
1	Displays the contents of the current directory.
m [-s 'subj'] user	Sends a message to the specified user(s) by first invoking the editor. If you specify -s with a subject enclosed in quotes, <i>xmail</i> will insert the subject into the header block.
n	Gets new mail from the system mailbox.
o option	Lets you enter a .xmailrc option.
O	Displays the current .xmailrc option settings.
p msg#-list	Prints the specified message(s) on the system printer.
P	Prints the current message on the system printer. This is the same as p ENTER.
q	Exits xmail and updates the mailbox.
Q	Exits xmail but does not update the mailbox. Any new mail is still saved.
r msg#-list	Sends a reply to specified message(s).
R	Sends a reply to the current message. This is the same as r ENTER.
s msg#-list file	Saves the specified message(s) to file. If you omit file, xmail saves the file to the default save file (usually ~/mbox).
S to so the second	Saves the current message(s) to file (usually ~/mbox).
t msg#-list	Types (displays) the specified message(s). You can omit "t" and simply type the message number.
T	Types (displays) the current message. This is the same as t ENTER.
u msg#-list	Undelete message(s) in the mailbox.

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Special Features Available While Sending Mail

Xmail has several special features available when sending mail. You may send a copy of your message to a shell command or save a copy of the message from the "To:", "Cc:" or "Bcc:" lines. You may also specify a mailing list file from there. Here is an example of how you use the features:

% xmail everybody
One moment please...

Xmail enters the editor. The following is a sample screen:

To: everybody *others

Subject:

Return-receipt-to: me

Cc: *yetothers | /pr | lpr/ +everybody

Bcc: theboss

Notice the "Cc:" line. The *yetothers tells *xmail* to open the file "yetothers" and send the message to every person in the file. The |/ pr | lpr/ tells *xmail* to write a copy of the message to the command "pr | lpr". (You can use any delimiter you wish, as the character after the "|" is taken as a delimiter). The +everybody appends a copy of the message to the file "everybody." Here is a list of "Cc:" line options:

- * Reads a file and sends mail to the list of users contained in the file.
- + Appends the message to the specified file.
- Writes a copy of the message to a command.

The "Bcc:" line (blind-carbon-copy) sends a copy of the messages to anyone listed, but the "Bcc:" line itself is not included in the message.

The "Return-receipt-to:" line is an instruction to the receiving mailer to send mail back to the sender acknowledging the receipt of the message. In this case, an acknowledgement will be sent to the user "me".

Also available is the "Return-receipt-from:" line. This lets you specify from whom you wish to receive a return receipt. This is useful when you are sending mail to a group of people but only want a return receipt from one or just a few.

"Return-receipt-to:" and "Return-receipt-from:" are mutually exclusive.

Notes

The /usr/lib/xmail_recover program is used to restore new mail that had not been saved as a result of a system crash. This is called by /etc/rc when the system is booted.

Files

/usr/lib/xmail	mail program	/usr/spool/mail/*	post office
/usr/lib/xmail.cmd.hlp	commands help text	~/.mbox	old mail
/usr/lib/xmail.opt.hlp	options help text	/usr/lib/xmail.rc	system-wide xmail options
/usr/lib/xmail.set.hlp	"set" help text	~/.xmailrc	user's xmail options
/usr/lib/xmail_recover	xmail recovery program	/tmp/xm.#	xmail temporary files
/usr/lib/xmlock	xmail system mailbox		
	locking program		

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consoleConsole terminal interface.daemon.mnMicnet mailer daemon.

default Default program information directory.

dialDials a modem.environThe user environment.

fd Floppy disk. **getty** Sets terminal mode.

graphics High-resolution graphics interface

group Format of the group file.

fixperm Correct or initialize file permissions or ownership.

hd Hard disk.

initProcess control initialization.ldInvokes the link editor.loginGives access to the system.

lp Line printer.

machineDescription of host machine.makekeyGenerates an encryption key.

mem, kmem Memory image file.

messages Description of system console messages.

micnet The Micnet default commands file.

nullThe null file.passwdThe password file.

profile Sets up an environment at login time.

screen Console screen interface

systemid The Micnet system identification file.

term Conventional names.

termcapTerminal capability data base.terminalsList of supported terminals.top, top.nextThe Micnet topology files.ttyGeneral terminal interface.ttysLogin terminals file.

utmp, **wtmp** Formats of utmp and wtmp entries.

 $ACU\left(\mathbf{M}\right)$

Name

acu - Modem Auto-dialer interface.

Description

The Automatic Call Unit interface is provided by the files /dev/cua[01] which are device entries, and by their corresponding driver which simulates a standard DN dialer. To place an outgoing call one forks a sub-process trying to open /dev/cul0 and then opens the corresponding file /dev/cua0 file and writes a number on it. The driver translates the call to proper format for the Automatic Dial Module.

The codes for the phone numbers are the same as in the DN interface:

0-9 dial 0-9

- delay 4 seconds
- < end-of-number

The entire telephone number must be presented in a single write system call. The phone number must have an end-of-number code.

It is also required that the provided line devices (/dev/cul[01]) be used and not the tty devices (/dev/tty[12]) when dialing out (as with the cu or uucp commands).

The minor number of the line device (eg, /dev/cul?) is the minor number of the serial line that the modem with automatic call capabilities is connected to. The minor number for the dial device (eg, /dev/cua?) is a little different. It has the high bit ON to indicate an ACU device (0x80). The lower 5 bits of its minor number correspond with the minor number of the corresponding serial device. Bits 6 and 7 are set to indicate what speed you would like to dial at. When set to 0 (00, both bits OFF), this indicates that the kernel should figure out what speed the modem is set at and dial at that speed. This is mostly useful for modems which have an external speed switch. If they are set to 1 (01), this indicates that the kernel should dial out at 300 baud unconditionally. When they are 2 (10), the kernel dials out at 1200 baud unconditionally. This way, you can select a speed on modems which auto-baud.

For example, a modem on /dev/tty01 (serial channel A) would have a dialer minor number of $129 = 1 \cdot 0x80$ and a line minor number of 1.

Files

/dev/cua0	virtual dialer #0 (uses tty01)
/dev/cua1	virtual dialer #1 (uses tty02)
/dev/cul0	the line which is connected to dialer 0
/dev/cul1	the line which is connected to dialer 1

See Also

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cu(C), uucp(C)
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Notes

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Currently, only the following units are supported:
Radio Shack Modem II
DC-2212
DC 1200 (with an Automatic Call Unit in
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DC-1200 (with an Automatic Call Unit installed)

DCM-7

1.2 1

CFG(M)

Name

cfg - Configures /xenix

Syntax

```
cfg [-n xenix] [Tables] [Misc]
```

Tables may be '-d' or one or more of the following:

buffers=n inodes=n files=n locks=n procs=n clists=n

n above may be 'a' or an integer greater than 0.

Misc may be one or more of the following:

```
[maxprocs=p] [maxmem=m] [nodename=name]
[swapdev=a | swapdev=mm,nn swplo=dd nswap=nn]
```

Description

Cfg allows you to configure the size of various system tables and parameters. By default, the size of these tables is determined by how much memory is installed in your machine:

Mem size	Buffers	Inodes	Files	Locks	Procs	Clists
512k	25k	100	100	200	60	200
1.0 meg	50k	100	100	200	60	200
1.5 meg	100k	120	120	240	70	200
2.0 meg	150k	140	140	280	80	200
2.5 meg	150k	160	160	320	90	200
3.0 meg	150k	200	200	400	100	200

Note:

It is not currently possible to install more than 1 megabyte of memory.

Cfg allows you to select the size of any of these tables. For example:

cfg buffers=200

sets the number of system buffers to 200. Cfg will respond:

/xenix is now configured as follows:

Buffers	200
Inodes	AutoConfig
Files	AutoConfig
Locks	AutoConfig
Procs	AutoConfig
Clists	AutoConfig
Maxprocs	15
Maxmem	256k
Nodename	1377
Swapdev	AutoConfig

This indicates that /xenix will reserve 200 buffers when it boots next. Because each system buffer has 512 bytes, the kernel will reserve 100k of memory for system buffer use. To set /xenix back to automatic buffering, type:

cfg buffers=a

Cfg will respond:

/xenix is now configured as follows:

Buffers AutoConfig Inodes AutoConfig Files AutoConfig Locks AutoConfig **Procs** AutoConfig Clists AutoConfig 15 Maxprocs 256k Maxmem Nodename Swapdev AutoConfig

This indicates that /xenix will automatically select the number of buffers based on memory size.

The 'nodename' option allows you to change the name of your system that is returned by the 'uname' system call [see uname(S)].

The '-d' option resets all options except 'nodename' and 'swapdev' to their default values, which are shown in the example above.

As with the configuration disk in earlier versions of 68000/XENIX, it is assumed that the system administrator has the technical understanding of the relationships between the various parameters and their effects on system performance. Some incorrect configurations can destroy data.

Cfg may only be run by the superuser.

Diagnostics

cfg: You must be superuser to run this program

The user was not logged in as root, nor was the su command used to change to root.

cfg: No namelist

The program was unable to find the required symbols in /xenix.

cfg: cfg not supported in that xenix

The user tried to run cfg on an older version of xenix.

cfg: Can't open xenix

The program was unable to open the file /xenix.

cfg: Can't read xenix

The program was unable to read the file /xenix.

cfg: Can't write xenix

The program was unable to write the new configuration.

cfg: Not enough data in /xenix

The file /xenix did not match its namelist. This may indicate a corrupted /xenix file.

cfg: Can't seek for read

The program can't position to read the old configuration.

cfg: Can't seek for write

The program can't reposition to write the new configuration.

cfg: Please type a number of items from min to max

The user specified a number of *items* less than *min* or greater than *max*.

cfg: Please type a number for item from min to max

The user specified a number for item less than min or greater than max.

cfg: Missing major number for 'swapdev'

cfg: Missing minor number for 'swapdev'

The user gave an incorrect 'swapdev' specification.

cfg: You must specify swapdev, swplo, and nswap together

The user gave one or more of swapdev, swplo, and nswap without specifying all of them.

cfg: Too many characters in nodename

The user specified a nodename which was greater than 8 characters long.

cfg: Illegal character in nodename

The user specified a nodename which had a character other than a-z, 0-9, '-', and '_' in it.

cfg: Unknown option

The user gave cfg an unknown option.

cfg: Missing argument for -n

The user gave the '-n' option without another argument.

cfg: Too many item change specifications

The user specified more than one of 'a' or a number of item.

cfg: You must specify "-d" alone.

The user gave the '-d' option with another change request.

See Also

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console - The system console terminal interface

Description

The standard Tandy 6000 supports three terminals. One of these terminals is the system console. The system console communicates with the processor through a special interface, instead of a serial interface. Because the system console does not use a serial interface, *console* ignores requests to change line speeds.

The console has a "screen-saver" feature which helps preserve the monitor in the Tandy 6000. The console automatically darkens the console display after 20 minutes of inactivity. This feature is similar to the one found in Tandy DT-100 terminals. The display reappears when you press a key, or when XENIX sends new data to the screen. The SHIFT CTRL CAPS LOCK and REPEAT do not turn the screen back on when pressed by themselves.

Two keystrokes control the screen-saver feature. Pressing CTRL = turns the screen back on if it was off. This keystroke combination is only used by XENIX to turn the console screen back on. Pressing the CTRL = combination will not send data to any programs which read the console keyboard. Pressing CTRL toggles the screen-saver feature on and off. When screen-saver is enabled with CTRL the screen goes dark immediately as a confirmation, instead of waiting 20 minutes.

Following is a list of the video and keyboard control codes:

Video control codes

Value(s)	ID	Effect(s)
00h-06h	Ignored	Undefined – No effect
07h	Bell	Sounds the console beeper on systems that have a beeper.
08h	BS	Backspaces without wrapping backward
09h	HT	Performs a Modulo 8 horizontal tab
0Ah	LF	Performs a line feed without a carriage return
0Bh	Ignored	Undefined – No effect
0Ch	FF	Clears the screen and homes the cursor
0Dh	CR	Performs a carriage return without a line feed
0Eh-1Ah	Ignored	Undefined – No effect
1Bh	ESC	Starts an ESCape sequence (defined as follows):
	ESC A	Cursor up
	ESC B	Cursor down
	ESC C	Cursor right

Video control codes (continued)

Value(s)	ID	Effect(s)
	ESC D	Cursor left
	ESC E	Clears the screen and homes the cursor
	ESC F	Undefined – No effect
	ESC G	Undefined – No effect
	ESC H	Homes the cursor
	ESC I	Undefined – No effect
	ESC J	Clears to the end of the screen
	ESC K	Clears to the end of the line
	ESC L	Inserts a line
	ESC M	Deletes a line
	ESC N	Undefined – No effect
	ESC O	Undefined – No effect
	ESC P	Inserts a character
	ESC Q	Deletes a character
	ESC R	Starts an ESC R sequence
	ESC R @	Cancels reverse video
	ESC R D	Starts reverse video
	ESC R C	Turns the cursor ON
	ESC R c	Turns the cursor OFF
	ESC R G	Starts low resolution graphics mode (codes 40h–5Fh are displayed as graphics characters 00h–1Fh)
	ESC R g	Cancels low resolution graphics mode
	ESC S	Undefined – No effect
	ESC T	Undefined – No effect
	ESC U	Undefined – No effect
	ESC V	Undefined – No effect

Video control codes (continued)

Value(s)	ID	Effect(s)	
	ESC W	Undefined – No effect	
	ESC X	Undefined – No effect	
	ESC Y <row+20h><col+20h></col+20h></row+20h>	Starts a cursor positioning sequence	
	ESC Z	Undefined – No effect	
	ESC [Starts an ESC [sequence	
	ESC [? 3 3 h	Turns the cursor blink ON	
	ESC [? 3 3 1	Turns the cursor blink OFF	
	ESC [_ <space> q</space>	Changes the cursor to an underline	
	ESC [<space> q</space>	Changes the cursor to a block	
	ESC ^	Enables the screen-saver feature	
o strate	ESC _	Disables the screen-saver feature	
	ESC ` <minutes+20h></minutes+20h>	Changes the screen-saver timing	
1Ch-1Fh	Ignored	Undefined – No effect	
20h-7Fh	ASCII	Prints a standard ASCII character on the display	console

Note:

Values enclosed within "<>" represent single characters.

Keyboard codes

Key	Code Sequence Produced		
HOLD	13h/11h	Sends alternating DC3 <^S> and DC1 <^Q> codes	
BREAK	03h	ETX ^C	
	1Bh 41h	ESC A	
	1Bh 42h	ESC B	
\rightarrow	1Bh 43h	ESC C	
\leftarrow	1Bh 44h	ESC D	
CTRL BACK SPACE	7Fh	DEL ^?	
CTRL 0	7Ch		

Keyboard codes (continued)

Key	Code Seque	ence Produced
CTRL 1	7Ch	I
CTRL 2	00h	NULL
CTRL 3	1Dh	GS ^]
CTRL 4	1Eh	RS ^^
CTRL 5	1F	US ^_
CTRL 6	7E	~
CTRL 7	1Ch	FS ^\
CTRL 9	5Ch	
CTRL][/	5Ch	\
CTRL ,	60h	
CTRL =	None	Turns on the console display if it was turned off by the screen-saver feature
CTRL .	None	Toggles the screen-saver feature ON and OFF

Files

/dev/console

See Also

graphics(M), screen(M)

GETTY (M)

Name

getty - Sets terminal mode.

Syntax

/etc/getty char [login]

Description

Getty automatically adapts a terminal's serial line to allow proper communication between the terminal and the system. It is one of three programs (init(M), getty(M), and login(C)) used by the system to enable a terminal and allow user logins.

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Getty is initially called by *init* which passes a single character argument *char* (init reads the argument from the ttys file). It then writes a "login:" message, indicating the user may log in on the machine.

The optional *login* argument is a login name to use. If this argument is present, the terminal line is set to the first speed specified by *char*, and call login with that name. *Getty* does not prompt the user. The *login* argument is normally specified in the inittab file (see *init*(M)), and the login name usually does not have a password. See *init*(M) for more details. If the user types a name and terminates it with a newline (ASCII LF) or carriage return (ASCII CR), *getty* scans the name for uppercase alphabetic characters. If only uppercase characters are found, *getty* adapts the system to map all subsequent lowercase characters into the corresponding uppercase characters. Furthermore, if the name terminates with a carriage return character, *getty* sets the terminal's serial line mode to CRMOD (see *ioctl*(S)).

If, instead, the user presses the BREAK key, *getty* writes the login message again. It also changes the serial line speed if *char* is one of those which cause "cycling" as described below. This allows the system to adapt to terminals with various line speeds.

After a name has been typed and scanned, *getty* passes it to *login*(C) which asks for the user's password and completes the login process.

The *char* argument may be any one of the following:

- Intended for an on-line Teletype model 33, for example, an operator's console.
- O Cycles through 300-1200-150-110 baud. Useful as a default for dialup lines accessed by a variety of terminals.
- 1 Optimized for a 150-baud Teletype model 37.
- 2 Intended for an on-line 9600 baud terminal that requires delays, for example, the Textronix 4104.
- 3 Starts at 1200 baud, cycles to 300 and back. Useful with 212 datasets where most terminals run at 1200 speed.
- 4 Useful for an on-line console DECwriter (LA36).
- 5 Same as 3 above, but starts at 300.
- 6 Intended for machine-to-machine (such as over a network) logins at 2400 baud.
- 7 Useful for an on-line 4800 baud terminal.
- 8 Useful for an on-line 1200 baud terminal.

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9 Intended for an on-line 9600 baud terminal that does not require delays.

The following types are intended for general-purpose on-line terminals (unlike the specialized settings above), and differ only in the baud rate:

- a 50 baud
- b 75 baud
- c 110 baud
- d 134.5 baud, usually with 2 stop bits.
- e 150 baud
- f 200 baud
- g 300 baud
- h 600 baud
- i 1200 baud
- j 1800 baud
- k 2400 baud
- l 4800 baud
- m 9600 baud
- P Autosequencing 300-1200-2400 baud dial-up line.
- Q Autosequencing 1200–2400–300 baud dial-up line.
- R Autosequencing 2400–300–1200 baud dial-up line.

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Name

graphics – The high-resolution graphics card interface.

Syntax

- # include <sys/graphics.h>
- # include <sys/ioctl.h>

Description

Graphics is a seekable device interface for the Tandy 6000 high-resolution graphics board. The interface works like a 19200 byte long text file. Each byte corresponds to eight pixels on a scan line. The graphics board scans the pixels left to right, starting with the most significant bit in each byte. The graphics board provides 240 display lines with 640 pixels per line. Because each byte stores 8 pixels, each line contains 80 bytes.

These *ioctl* commands are available with the graphics interface:

TIOCEXCL	Sets exclusive use on the device. This is the default mode when the device is first opened.
	No other users can open the device until it is closed, or until the current user invokes the
	TIOCNXCL ioctl command.

TIOCNXCL	Releases exclusive use of the device. This permits other users to open and	use the device
	while you have it open.	

GIOCGETC	Gets a copy of the graphics control word. The graphics control word controls various aspects
	of the operation of the graphics board. The control bits of this word are described below.

GIOCSETC	Sets the graphics control word. This ioctl command uses a pointer to the new control word
	data.

GIOCCBIC	Clears bits in the graphics control word. This ioctl command uses a pointer to the control
	word mask.

GIOCCBIS Sets bits in the graphics control word. This ioctl command uses a pointer to the control word mask.

You can set the following bits in the graphics control word:

GR_ENABLE	Enables the graphics board. This makes the contents of the graphics memory appear on the
	console display. This is a default setting.

GR_WAITS	Enables video memory wait periods. This reduces hashing when updating video memory.	
	This is a default.	

GR_INC_X Selects 'X' register increment mode when GR_X_RDCLK or GR_X_WRCLK is set. This is a default setting.

GR_DEC_X Selects 'X' register decrement mode when GR_X_RDCLK or GR_X_WRCLK is set.

GR_INC_Y Selects 'Y' register increment mode when GR_Y_RDCLK or GR_Y_WRCLK is set. This is a default setting.

GR_DEC_Y Selects 'Y' register decrement mode when GR_Y_RDCLK or GR_Y_WRCLK is set.

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GR_X_RDCLK

Selects increment or decrement mode of the 'X' register after each read operation from graphics memory. This is a default setting.

GR_X_WRCLK Selects increment or decrement mode of the 'X' register after each write operation to graphics memory. This is a default setting.

GR_Y_RDCLK Selects increment or decrement mode of the 'Y' register after each read operation from graphics memory. This is a default setting.

GR_Y_WRCLK Selects increment or decrement mode of the 'Y' register after each write operation to graphics memory. This is a default setting.

GR_AUTOCLK Selects increment mode of the 'Y' register. The 'Y' register is incremented and the 'X' register is set to zero whenever the contents of the 'X' register reaches 80 in increment mode. This is a default setting.

GR_W_ASYNC Selects asynchronous write mode. The write(S) system call will return immediately instead of awaiting output completion. This enables an application to continue running as long as the write(S) system call buffer remains intact until completion of the next I/O operation. Your applications should use dual buffering when running in asynchronous mode. If you do not use dual buffering, the display output will be unpredictable.

Files

/dev/graphics

See Also

console(M), screen(M)

Name

init - Process control initialization.

Syntax

/etc/init

Description

The *init* program is invoked as the last step of the boot procedure and as the first step in enabling terminals for user logins. *Init* is one of three programs (*init*, *getty*(M), and *login*(M)) used to initialize a system for execution.

Init creates a process for each terminal on which a user may log in. It begins by opening the console device, /dev/console, for reading and writing. It then invokes a shell which asks for a password to start the system in maintenance mode. The user may type the password or terminate the shell by typing ASCII end-of-file (CNTRL-D) at the console. If the shell terminates, init performs several steps to begin normal operation. It invokes a shell and reads the commands in the /etc/rc file. This command file performs housekeeping tasks such as removing temporary files, mounting file systems, and starting daemons. Then init reads the file /etc/ttys and forks several times to create a process for each terminal device in the file. Each line in the /etc/ttys lists the state of the line (0 for closed, 1 for open), the line mode, and the serial line (see ttys(M)). Each process opens the appropriate serial line for reading and writing, assigning the file descriptors 0, 1, and 2 to the line and establishing it as the standard input, output, and error files. If the serial line is connected to a modem, the process delays opening the line until someone has dialed up and a carrier has been established on the line.

Once *init* has opened a line, it executes the *getty* program, passing the line mode as an argument. The *getty* program reads the user's name and invokes login(M) to complete the login process (see getty(M) for details). *Init* waits until the user logs out by typing ASCII end-of-file (CNTRL-D) or by hanging up. It responds by waking up and removing the former user's login entry from the file **utmp**, which records current users, and makes a new entry in the file **wtmp**, which is a history of logins and logouts. Then the corresponding line is reopened and *getty* is reinvoked.

Init has special responses to the hangup, interrupt, and quit signals. The hangup signal SIGHUP causes init to change the system from normal operation to maintenance mode. The interrupt signal SIGINT causes init to read the ttys file again to open any new lines and close lines that have been removed. The quit signal SIGQUIT causes init to disallow any further logins. In general, these signals have a significant effect on the system and should not be used by a naive user. Instead, similar functions can be safely performed with the enable(C), disable(C), and shutdown(C) commands.

Init attempts to prevent thrashing caused by problems opening the line or having prompts echoed back to the computer. *Init* inserts a 20 second delay if *getty* terminates within 30 seconds after it was started, and repeats 40 times without ever running more than 2 minutes. If this occurs another 40 times, *init* will disable the line.

If getty runs more than 2 minutes, init assumes that the line is working properly. This can occur from one of two causes:

A user logged in on the line.

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is waiting for a user to log in, and is not receiving a lot of characters.

Getty resets the timer count after it determines that the line is working properly.

If *init* disables a line, it sends a mail message similar to the one below to "root". The message indicates the time that the line was disabled and identifies which line was disabled.

From root Thu Jul 10 13:15:01 1986

Subject: Init: Thrashing problem on line tty04.

This line will be disabled.

Init will never automatically disable the console. However, if you repeatedly type CONTROL-D at the console, *init* will insert a 20 second delay. Leave the keyboard alone for 2 minutes and the delay-insertion will stop.

If you enable a thrashing line, it will remain enabled for at least 20 minutes. It may take longer than 20 minutes to be disabled. Because *init* inserts 20 second pauses on a thrashing line, the thrashing line will not load the system very much.

Init also inserts a 10 second delay after it fails to open a tty device.

The "ps -ef" command will show you which terminals are active. You will see a variety of processes in the "COMMAND" column. These processes may include terminals which are not logged in. Here is a list of sample messages and descriptions which may occur due to unlogged terminals:

init O 04	Line tty04 is enabled, but has no carrier detect signal. This is normal, and typical of a dial-in line that is not in use. If this occurs on a direct-wired terminal that is turned on and should be working but is not, the cable is probably incorrectly connected.
init N 04	Line tty04 is enabled, and is executing a 1 second pause before starting <i>getty</i> . This is normal, but does not occur frequently. The line is apparently not thrashing.
- 3 or - 9	These processes indicate that <i>getty</i> is running on a line. The terminal line can be found under the "TTY" column on the "ps -f" display. The number after the "-" is the speed code from the /etc/ttys file. The number may be either a number or letter. This is normal, and is typical of a direct-wired terminal that is not logged in.
init T 04	Line tty04 is enabled, and is pausing for 20 seconds before starting <i>getty</i> because the line appears to be thrashing. This indicates trouble with the line or with what is connected to the line.
init F 04	Line tty04 is enabled, but the system was unable to open line tty04. The system is waiting 10 seconds before trying again. This indicates trouble with the line which may include:

No hardware for the line

Enabling the line while an outgoing *uucp* or *cu* call was in progress on the same line

The driver is hung

This display does not indicate that something is echoing characters back to the computer.

/etc/init Process 1 (see the "PID" column of the "ps -ef" display) should always show this. Other processes may display this briefly before changing to one of the other forms.

Init provides the ability to use a program other than /etc/getty for individual communication lines. This is desirable when you do not want the system to give users a "login:" prompt. It is also desirable when you do

not want to make the standard login available on a dial-up line.

You can specify an alternate *getty* program in the /etc/inittab file. Include one text line for each terminal that will use the alternate program. Each line contains four colon separated fields. The first field contains the character "0". The second field contains the terminal identifier. The terminal identifier is "co" for the console, or a two digit terminal number for other lines. The third field is empty. The fourth field contains the name of the alternate *getty* program for that terminal, and a optional space and argument. The program name and the optional argument must each be less than 32 characters long.

The standard /etc/getty may be invoked with a second argument consisting of a login name. *Getty* will automatically set up the line baud rate and other parameters. Then, *getty* invokes the appropriate login program without issuing any prompts. Normally, this login will not have a password, and a special program will be specified in the password file shell field. This enables the user to interact only with the specified program.

WARNING: Do not try to prevent the user from gaining access to a standard shell by entering something in profile and then specifying /bin/sh as the shell. This method is not secure. The user will be able to access a standard shell.

Since /etc/getty does not issue any prompts or accept any input, it can not perform automatic baud rate switching. It will use the first baud rate code specified in the /etc/ttys file. Here is an example of a /etc/inittab file:

0:01::/etc/getty bbs 0:02::/etc/getty

0:05::/etc/mygetty xyzfoo

This will run /etc/getty on line 1, but will automatically log in as "bbs". The password file entry might look like this:

bbs::204:20:Bulletin Board System:/usr/bbs/bbsprog

Init runs /usr/bbs/bbsprog when a call comes in on modem line tty01. The program might be a simple shell script that gives the latest news. The program could also be a complicated message system that asks the user for identification and provides different levels of access for different users.

The second line in the example runs a standard *getty* on line tty02. This is the same thing that is done when /etc/inittab does not contain an entry for tty02.

The third line in the example runs the custom program /etc/mygetty on line tty05. The program is passed the line speed character for line tty05 as the first argument, and "xyzfoo" as the second argument. The program /etc/mygetty must be able to interpret "xyzfoo" and perform the appropriate actions.

When a program is invoked in place of *getty*, the first argument is the speed code. The speed code is typically 9 for hardwired lines, and 3 for modems. The second argument is the optional argument specified in /etc/inittab. If the optional argument is not specified, the second argument is a zero length string. File descriptors 0, 1, and 2 are open to the line, but the baud rate and other terminal parameters are completely uninitialized. Your *getty* program must be able to set up these parameters before using the line. If you want to include automatic baud rate switching, you must do it yourself.

The program will be running as root. You will probably want to set the current user and group IDs to something else. One way to do this is to invoke *login* with the name of a user without a password. Next, invoke a shell consisting of the applications program that you want to run. See the warning of the previous page about system security.

If you do not invoke *login*, you will probably want to make your program do the following:

Make an entry in /etc/utmp and /usr/adm/wtmp so that the who command can list the user. To do this, put an entry in the nth slot in /etc/utmp where n = n

ttyslot(). Then add the record to the end of the /usr/adm/wtmp file. Your program may put whatever you like in the "user name" field. *Init* will make the logout records for you.

Set the user and group IDs to something other than root.

Set the HZ, TZ, TERM, HOME, and PATH environment variables. HZ and TZ are typically in /etc/default/login. TERM is typically in /etc/ttytype, although your program may instead ask the user for TERM.

Invoke an application program.

You will probably want to make your application program do some of the following things:

Ignore or trap the interrupt and quit characters. If your program does not do this, an interrupt or quit character will cause a logout.

Trap, but do **not** ignore the hangup signal.

When your *getty* program (or alternate *getty* program) terminates, it will restart. *Init* measures the time from logout to logout. *Init* will disable the line if it repeatedly terminates within 30 seconds. If your program is running on a dial-in line, it will not be invoked until the modem detects a carrier. Programs that only output a short message and do not accept input from the user will execute repeatedly on hardwired lines. *Init* will consider the program thrashing and will disable the line.

Files

/dev/tty*

/etc/utmp

/usr/adm/wtmp

/etc/ttys

/etc/rc

/etc/inittab

See Also

disable(C), enable(C), login(M), kill(C), sh(C), shutdown(C), ttys(M), getty(M)

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messages - Description of system console messages.

Description

This section describes the various system messages which may appear on the system console. The messages are categorized as follows:

Fatal

Recovery is impossible.

System inconsistency

A contradictory situation exists in the kernel.

Abnormal

A probably legitimate but extreme situation exists.

Hardware

Indicates a hardware problem.

Fatal system messages begin with "panic:" and indicate hardware problems or kernel inconsistencies that are too severe for continued operation. After displaying a fatal message, the system will stop. Rebooting is required.

System inconsistency messages indicate problems usually traceable to hardware malfunction, such as memory failure. These messages rarely occur since associated hardware problems are generally detected before such an inconsistency can occur.

Abnormal messages represent kernel operation problems, such as the overflow of critical tables. It takes extreme situations to bring these problems about, so they should never occur in normal system use.

Hardware messages normally specify the device, dev, that caused the error. Each message gives a device specification of the form nn/mm where nn is the major number of the device, and mm is its minor number. The command pipeline

ls -l /dev | grep nn | grep mm

may be used to list the name of the device associated with the given major and minor numbers.

System Messages

** ABNORMAL System Shutdown **

This message appears when errors occur during system shutdown. It is usually accompanied by other system messages. System inconsistency, fatal.

bad block on dev nn/mm

A nonexistent disk block was found on, or is being inserted in, the structure's free list. System inconsistency.

bad count on dev nn/mm

A structural inconsistency in the superblock of a file system. The system attempts a repair, but this message will probably be followed by more complaints about this file system. *System inconsistency*.

Bad free count on dev nn/mm

A structural inconsistency in the superblock of a file system. The system attempts a repair, but this

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message will probably be followed by more complaints about this file system. System inconsistency.

$iaddress > 2^24$

This indicates an attempted reference to an illegal block number, one so large that it could only occur on a file system larger than 8 billion bytes. *Abnormal*.

Inode table overflow

Each open file requires an inode entry to be kept in memory. When this table overflows the specific request (usually open(S) or creat(S)) is refused. Although not fatal to the system, this event may damage the operation of various spoolers, daemons, the mailer, and other important utilities. Anomalous results and missing data files are a common result. Abnormal.

interrupt from unknown device, vec=d

panic: unknown interrupt

This message indicates that an unknown, unused interrupt (number d) occured on the 68000. This usually indicates a 68000, or, more rarely, a Z80 hardware problem. *Hardware fatal*.

no file

There are too many open files, the system has run out of entries in its "open file" table. The warnings given for the message "inode table overflow" apply here. Abnormal.

no space on dev nn/mm

This message means that the specified file system has run out of free blocks. Although not normally as serious, the warnings discussed for "inode table overflow" apply: often user programs are written casually and ignore the error code returned when they tried to write to the disk; this results in missing data and "holes" in data files. The system administrator should keep close watch on the amount of free disk space and take steps to avoid this situation. *Abnormal*.

** Normal System Shutdown **

[Z80 Control System Halted]

This message appears when the system has been shutdown properly. It indicates that the machine may now be rebooted or powered down.

Out of inodes on dev nn/mm

The indicated file system has run out of free inodes. The number of inodes available on a file system is determined when the file system is created (using mkfs(C)). The default number is quite generous, this message should be very rare. The only recourse is to remove some worthless files from that file system, or dump the entire system to a backup device, run mkfs(C) with more inodes specified, and restore the files from backup. Abnormal.

out of text

When programs linked with the ld - i or -n switch are run, a table entry is made so that only one copy of the pure text will be in memory even if there are multiple copies of the program running. This message appears when this table is full. The system refuses to run the program which caused the overflow. Note that there is only one entry in this table for each different pure text program. Multiple copies of one program will not require multiple table entries. Each "sticky" program (see chmod(C)) requires a permanent entry in this table; nonsticky pure text programs require an entry only when there is at least one copy being executed. Abnormal.

panic: blkdev

An internal disk I/O request, already verified as valid, is discovered to be referring to a nonexistent disk. System inconsistency, fatal.

panic: devtab

An internal disk I/O request, already verified as valid, is discovered to be referring to a nonexistent disk. System inconsistency, fatal.

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panic: iinit

The super-block of the root file system could not be read. This message occurs only at boot time. *Hardware, fatal.*

panic: IO err in swap

A fatal I/O error occurred while reading or writing the swap area. Hardware, fatal.

panic: memory parity

A hardware memory failure trap has been taken. Hardware or system inconsistency, fatal.

panic: mmusub: chk

An error occurred during memory management operations. System inconsistency, fatal.

panic: no fs

A file system descriptor has disappeared from its table. System inconsistency, fatal.

panic: no imt

A mounted file system has disappeared from the mount table. System inconsistency, fatal.

panic: no procs

Each user is limited in the amount of simultaneous processes he can have; an attempt to create a new process when none is available or when the user's limit is exceeded is refused. That is an occasional event and produces no console messages; this panic occurs when the kernel has certified that a free process table entry is available and yet can't find one when it goes to get it. System inconsistency, fatal.

panic: Out of swap

There is insufficient space on the swap disk to hold a task. The system refuses to create tasks when it feels there is insufficient disk space, but it is possible to create situations to fool this mechanism. *Abnormal, fatal.*

panic: Timeout table overflow

The timeout table is full. Timeout requests are generated by device drivers, there should usually be room for one entry per system serial line plus ten more for other usages.

Supervisor trap *d* panic: trap in sys

The 68000 CPU has generated a TRAP number d while executing kernel or device driver code. This message is preceded with an information dump describing the trap. Hardware or system inconsistency, fatal.

panic: proc on q

The system attempts to queue a process already on the ready-to-run process queue. System inconsistency, fatal.

Warning: bad configuration, resetting to defaults.

The parameters specified with the "cfg" command require an unreasonable amount of memory be used for XENIX, and would leave the available user memory area too small to be usable. The system ignores table size parameters and uses the defaults. This message only occurs at boot time. This message may be caused by running a system with less memory than it ordinarily has. Abnormal.

Device Driver Messages

{Hard, Floppy, Cartridge} Drive n: <specific message>

These messages indicate a specific error, and include the following:

bad format

This means the user tried to read or write an unformatted or foreign disk.

MESSAGES (M)

Further I/O aborted until device closed Device closed; error cleared

This means an error occurred, and the driver refused to do any more I/O until the program closed the device.

active disk changed

This message means that the user changed a floppy while XENIX was doing I/O on it.

drive not ready active drive not ready

This means that the user tried to use a drive, and it was not ready. This can happen, for example, if the user tries to mount a floppy drive which has no disk in the drive.

drive write protected active drive write protected

The user tried to write to a drive which was write-protected.

{Hard, Floppy, Cartridge} Drive N: {hard, soft} error HHHH while {reading, writing, formatting} PLACE

An I/O error of some sort occurred. "hard" means the data was lost and "soft" means the data was written or read correctly.

PLACE will indicate where the error occured on the media and will include 'Cylinder', 'Head' or 'Side', and 'Sector'; or 'Block' numbers.

'HHHH' will be four digits of status information from the hardware that may be useful to technicians in case of hardware failure.

SCREEN(M)

Name

screen - The console screen interface.

Description

The screen device is a seekable interface to the console video memory. The interface works like a 1920 byte long text file. Each byte corresponds to a character on the console screen. The console screen provides 24 lines, each with 80 columns.

There are two ioctl commands supported by the screen interface:

TIOCEXCL Sets exclusive use on the device. This is the default mode when the device is first opened. No other users can open the device until it is closed, or until the current user invokes the TIOCNXCL *ioctl* command.

TIOCNXCL Releases exclusive use of the device. This permits other users to open and use it while you have it open.

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XENIX 6000 Configuration Kit

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The XENIX 6000 Configuration Kit lets you customize the kernel for your system by modifying the files in the /usr/sys/conf directory. To modify the kernel, you must first install the XENIX Software Development Tools of the XENIX Development System.

There are 3 steps to building a new kernel. They are:

- · Installing the configuration kit
- · Building the new XENIX kernel
- · Installing the new XENIX kernel

Information on the contents of /usr/sys/conf is given in Section 4. It is strongly suggested that you thoroughly read this document before attempting to customize your kernel.

1. Installing the Configuration Kit

Before installing the configuration kit, be sure that the version number of the kit matches the version number of your XENIX system.

- 1. Log in as root at the console.
- 2. Be sure that you do not have a file or directory named /usr/sys. If you do, rename it using the mv command, or remove it if you do not want to save it.
- 3. At the root prompt (#), type:

install <ENTER>

4. The screen shows the Installation Menu:

Installation Menu

- 1. to install
- q. to quit
- 5. Type 1 and press <ENTER> to install the configuration kit.
- 6. The screen shows:

Insert diskette in Drive 0 and press <ENTER>

Insert the Configuration Diskette into Drive 0, and press <ENTER>.

7. XENIX reads the files off the diskette. When all files are written to the hard disk, the screen shows:

Installation complete - Remove the diskette,
and press <ENTER>

- 8. Remove the Configuration Diskette from Drive 0, and press <ENTER>.
- 9. The screen shows the Installation Menu again. Type q and press <ENTER> to quit.

Your configuration kit is now installed. You can proceed to build a new kernel by first modifying the /usr/sys/conf/conf file.

2. Building the new XENIX Kernel

1. Again, log in as root. At the root prompt, type:

- 2. Using any XENIX editor, modify the conf file and any other files you wish to change. Detailed information on the conf file is given in Section 4.1.
- 3. When you finish editing the configuration files, type:

- 4. XENIX creates a new file called "xenix" in the /usr/sys/conf directory. XENIX also displays the size of the new "xenix."
- 5. If XENIX displays an error message, see the config(CP) and master(F) manual pages in your Development System manuals for more information. Also see the intermediate source file c.c that is produced.
- 6. Correct any problems and start again from Step 3.

The kernel that you build will be equivalent to the kernel 03.02.00 3(42b). It will not match exactly in size or contents. Do not attempt to apply patches to upgrade from 3(42) to 3(42a) or from 3(42a) to 3(42b). These patches have already been applied.

The kernel you are running on your system probably has some patches made to it by the /etc/drive and /etc/tz commands that are run during the system initialization procedure. This causes a few bytes of data to be different between the kernel you build and the kernel you are running. You make these patches to your new kernel during the installation procedure.

3. Installing a new XENIX Kernel

Before beginning, be sure that all users are logged off the system.

3.1 Kernel Installation

1. Log in as root. At the root prompt, type:

Note: After the next step, the ps(C) command will not function properly. Ps(C) and certain other commands use the /xenix file to obtain the addresses of variables in the kernel. These commands do not work properly if /xenix is missing or does not contain the currently running kernel. They will work again after the installation is complete. The qps(C) command continues to function.

2. The first thing you want to do is save the old kernel, especially if it is one distributed by Tandy or one that you were using successfully. This ensures that you have a good kernel to go back to if there is a problem with the new one. Save the kernel (/xenix) by renaming it. For example:

If for some reason you do not want to save the old kernel, you can remove it using the rm(C) command.

3. Move the new kernel, created in the previous section, to the root directory. Type:

4. Link the new kernel to /xenix by typing:

5. Shut down the system using /etc/haltsys:

sync; sync; /etc/haltsys <ENTER>

Do not use the shutdown command.

- 6. Reboot the system. XENIX now uses the new kernel. The ps command should function properly at this point.
- 7. Use the /etc/drive command to set the appropriate speed for the floppy disk drives. See the "System Defaults" chapter of the System Administrator's Guide to XENIX for information on using drives.
- 8. Use the /etc/tz command to set the proper time zone. Type:

/etc/tz <ENTER>

You are prompted for information on daylight savings time, location (United States or non-United States), and the appropriate time zone. If you are in the United States, you are prompted to enter a selection from a menu for the proper time zone. If you are outside the United States, you are prompted to enter the time as minutes from Greenwich Mean Time.

3.2 Recovering from an unusable kernel

If you cannot boot with the new kernel, or if it does not perform properly, you can switch back to the old kernel:

- 1. If you can shut down the system normally, do so. Press the Reset button.
- 2. At the boot prompt (Xenix Boot>), type the name of the old kernel previously saved. For example, type:

xenix.32 <ENTER>

- 3. When prompted, enter system maintenance mode by entering the root password.
- 4. At the root prompt, type:

rm /xenix <ENTER>

5. Link the old kernel to /xenix:

ln /xenix.32 /xenix <ENTER>

6. If you changed /dev/swap from the one used with the previous kernel, restore the previous version of /dev/swap. For example:

mv /dev/swap.old /dev/swap

7. Type <CTRL><D> to start the system normally.

4. Configuration

The conf file in /usr/sys/conf specifies the configuration. You should edit this file to reconfigure your kernel. Also included is conf.std, which is an extra copy of the standard distribution configuration. Do not change this file. Use it only as an example of a valid configuration.

For more information on configuration, refer to config(CP) and master(F) in your XENIX Development System Manuals. Any information in this document supersedes that in the Development System Manuals. Also, the examples given in config(CP) and master(F) do not apply directly to your computer. There is an example given in Section 4.2 that does apply to your computer.

Master(F) refers to a file /etc/master. This file is /usr/sys/conf/master in your configuration kit.

Config(CP) refers to a file dfile. This file is /usr/sys/conf/conf in your configuration kit.

The configuration kit is not intended to provide you with the capability to write your own device drivers. However, if you have a device driver you wish to add, some of the points you need to consider

are:

- 1. Add a line to the /usr/sys/conf/master file for the new device.
- 2. Include a line for the new device in the /usr/sys/conf/conf file.
- 3. Add the appropriate object file(s) to /usr/sys/io/libio.a using the ar(CP) command.
- 4. Create entries in /dev using the mknod(C) command and the major device numbers for the device as listed in the /usr/sys/conf/master file.
- 5. Build a new kernel and install it.

4.1 More on the conf file

You can look at the /usr/sys/conf/conf file by using the more command:

```
more /usr/sys/conf/conf <ENTER>
```

The file should look like this:

```
**
***
      Standard distribution XENIX configuration file
**
disk
console 1
printer 1
screen 1
*** note that the minor number 0377 causes the kernel to autoconfigure
        disk 0377
pipe
        disk 0377
        disk 0377 0 8000
swap
*** tunables
timezone (6*60)
maxprocmem 256
*** '0' causes the kernel to autoconfigure the number
sabufs
           0
inodes
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           0
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           0
texts
clists
           0
locks
```

4.1.1 Part 1 - Devices This part specifies the devices that are present. Disk, console, and printer are required. You can remove the others if you do not have the corresponding peripheral. Removing devices saves memory. Remember that the device does not function if it is removed from the configuration.

The following describes the devices that you can remove and how much memory they occupy:

acu This device refers to the dialer devices (/dev/cul* and /dev/cua*). This allows automatic dialing of Radio Shack modems. The driver occupies about 1 3/4 Kbytes.

screen This device refers to the screen-image memory for the console screen (/dev/screen) and the high-resolution graphics driver (/dev/graphics). Some application programs use these devices. The driver occupies about 1 1/2 Kbytes.

4.1.2 Part 2 - Swap This part specifies the devices to be used for root, pipe, and swap. Normally, you do not want to change root or pipe. However, you might want to change swap. For example, by moving the swap device to a low-activity hard disk, you might increase performance.

We recommend that you do not set the swap device as a floppy disk as this causes very slow performance.

Also, if you wish to change only the size of the swap area on Drive 0, you do not need to reconfigure the kernel. This is because the standard kernel uses an autoconfiguration option. Autoconfiguration tells XENIX to use the space after the file system on the device from which you booted (Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0) as the swap area. To change the swap area, save all your application and user files on Hard Drive 0, reinstall XENIX, and restore the files. During this procedure, XENIX asks if you want to use a non-standard swap area and builds the root file system of the correct size.

To create the swap area on any other drive, specify swap in the form:

The device# specifies the disk to be used for the swap area. The device# must be in octal. You can use the entire drive or the area left after a file system. The device numbers are:

Hard Disk:

Swap Area	Drive 0		Drive 1		Drive 2		Drive 3	
	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal
Entire Drive	32	040	40	050	48	060	56	070
Space after File System	34	042	42	052	50	062	58	072

Floppy Disk:

Swap Area	Drive 1		Dri	ve 2	Drive 3		
	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	
Entire Drive	8	010	16	020	24	030	
Space after File System	10	012	18	022	26	032	

Use the Octal device number for the conf file, and use the Decimal device number for the /etc/cfg command.

You can specify autoconfiguration for Drive 0 by using the device number 0377. If you specify autoconfiguration, the specified swap size and offset are not used. The standard kernel is set for autoconfiguration.

Offset specifies the number of blocks to reserve at the beginning of the disk partition before the swap area. Usually, you specify 0 so that disk space is not wasted. Offset is primarily useful for systems that do not have the "Space after File System" option available.

If you elect to use the "Space after File System" option, you must first make a file system. You cannot make a file system on a drive that you are currently using. That is, the drive cannot be mounted. Also, if the drive already contains a file system, the file system will be overwritten with the new (empty) file system.

To make the file system, first use the diskstat command to determine the amount of available space on the disk. Type:

diskstat x < ENTER >

Replace x with the hard disk drive number. Note the number of blocks diskstat returns.

You must now decide how many of those blocks to use for *swapsize* and how many to use for the file system. The number of blocks you select must be a multiple of 17 (1 track). You should use at least 2006 blocks for *swapsize*. If you have a large system, you should use at least 4097 blocks as *swapsize*. You must create the file system prior to specifying the swap area. Use the /etc/mkfs command:

```
/etc/mkfs /dev/hdx nnnnn 9 17 <ENTER>
```

Replace x with the drive number and nnnn with the number of blocks for the file system. The file system size is the number of available blocks (returned by diskstat) minus swapsize.

Note: The maximum swapsize that can be used is 32759 blocks (16379K).

If you elect to use the "Entire Drive" option, use the diskstat command to determine the amount of available space on the disk. Type:

```
diskstat x < ENTER >
```

Replace x with the drive number. The number returned is the amount of available space you can use for *swapsize*. You do not have to make a file system on the drive with this option.

After changing the swap device, you must remake /dev/swap so that the ps command and other programs get the correct information when looking at the swap device. You should first save the old /dev/swap:

```
mv /dev/swap /dev/swap.old <ENTER>
```

Then, use the mknod command to create the new /dev/swap:

```
mknod /dev/swap b 01 device# <ENTER>
```

Be sure to use the same device number that you used earlier. Now, type these commands:

```
chown sys /dev/swap <ENTER> chgrp sys /dev/swap <ENTER> chmod 640 /dev/swap <ENTER>
```

Examples:

```
swap disk 0377 0 8000
```

This is the standard configuration for the swap space. It uses the autoconfiguration mode to use the available space on the boot drive.

Suppose you have a 15-meg hard disk as Drive 2 and wish to use it for swap space. You don't need the entire drive for swap space, so you use the first part of the drive for a file system and the last part for swap. The available space is 30770 blocks. You decide on a swap space of 3400 blocks. You then create a file system with the command:

```
/etc/mkfs /dev/hd2 27370 9 17
```

You can now use the swap specification:

```
swap disk 062 0 3400
```

This example tells XENIX to use 3400 blocks after the file system on Drive 2 as the swap space. The file system must already be created. You would now use the commands described earlier to remake the /dev/swap device.

In many cases, the kernel can be configured without using the configuration kit, but using the /etc/cfg command. To set the swap device to Hard Drive 2 as in the example above, you would use the command:

```
/etc/cfg -n /xenix swapdev=1,50 swplo=0 nswap=3400
```

Note that the device number must be in decimal. This modifies the installed kernel (/xenix) to use

Hard Drive 2 for swap space. The change does not take effect until you reboot. Before rebooting, you must create a file system on Drive 2 and remake /dev/swap.

4.1.3 Part 3 - Tunable Parameters This part specifies a number of parameters called "tunables." These parameters let you set defaults for your XENIX system. The following describes each tunable and the default used if you don't specify it.

Most of these parameters are more conveniently set using /etc/cfg or /etc/tz.

daylight

Sets daylight savings time to on or off. The value 1 indicates that daylight savings time applies during the appropriate part of the year. The value 0 indicates that daylight savings time never applies. It is best to use /etc/tz to set "daylight" and "timezone" because /etc/tz also sets the environment variables that XENIX uses when displaying the date and time. In general, this value is only used when there is no TZ environment variable. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 1.

timezone

Specifies the number of minutes west of Greenwich Mean Time. Specify

8*60 for Pacific Standard Time

7*60 for Mountain Standard Time

6*60 for Central Standard Time

5*60 for Eastern Standard Time

It is best to use /etc/tz to set "daylight" and "timezone" because /etc/tz also sets the environment variables that XENIX uses when displaying the date and time. In general, this value is only used when there is no TZ environment variable. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 6*60 (Central Standard Time).

maxprocmem

Sets the maximum amount (Kbytes) of memory that one process can use. This prevents a process from using the entire system memory. We recommend that you do not change this parameter. However, if you do, be sure that your swap space is at least four times the amount you set for "maxprocmem."

The maximum amount of memory that any process can use is the total user memory (displayed at boot time) minus 4K. Do not set "maxprocmem" higher than total user memory minus 4K. If you set "maxprocmem" smaller than 256, you might not be able to run some programs or even boot the system. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 256.

Maxprocmem can be more conveniently changed with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix maxmem=max <ENTER>

where max is the value of "maxprocmem" in Kbytes.

maxproc

Sets the maximum number of processes any one user id can run at one time. This number includes all processes, regardless of the number of terminals the user might be using. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 15.

Maxproc can be more conveniently changed with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix maxprocs=max <ENTER>

calls

Sets the maximum number of time delays that can be pending in the kernel at any one time. Normally, you do not need to increase this value unless you significantly increase the value for "procs." The console message "Timeout table overflow" indicates that you need to increase the value of "calls." Each callout structure occupies approximately 12 bytes. Default = 25.

mounts

Sets the maximum number of file systems that can be mounted at any one time. This number includes the root, but does not include devices that are not currently mounted (for example, swap). Different partitions of the same disk that contain different mounted file systems use separate mount structures. Each mount structure occupies approximately 14 bytes. Default = 8.

The following parameters affect the size of various kernel tables. A value of 0 indicates autoconfiguration, and the value used depends on the total amount of memory at boot time. The default value in all cases is autoconfiguration. Most of these parameters can also be set with /etc/cfg. The examples using /etc/cfg modify the currently running kernel, /xenix. You can modify a different kernel by specifying a different file name after -n.

procs

Sets the maximum number of processes that can run in the system at one time. This number includes all system processes: swapper, /etc/init, /etc/cron, /etc/update, gettys (enabled lines), cron processes, etc. If a user program or the shell returns a "No more processes" message, you might need to increase either "procs" or "maxproc." Each process structure occupies approximately 46 bytes.

The procs parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix procs=number <ENTER>

texts

Sets the maximum number of different shared-text programs that can be run at one time. Programs with the "sticky bit" (chmod u+t) set count even if not currently executing. Almost every distributed XENIX program is shared-text, as well as various shells (sh, csh, csh10, vsh, and tsh). Shell scripts are not shared-text. Several users running the same program simultaneously use one text structure for that program. The console message "out of text" indicates that the value for "texts" needs to be increased. The value of "texts" is fixed at 2/3 of "procs," and increasing "texts" can be done only by increasing "procs." Each text structure occupies approximately 14 bytes.

coremap

Contains information about free memory. The value of "coremap" is half of the value of "procs" and cannot be changed without changing "procs." The memory used is included in the figure for "procs."

swapmap

Contains information about free swap space. The value of "swapmap" is half of the value of "procs" and cannot be changed without changing "procs." The memory used is included in the figure for "procs."

inodes

Sets the maximum number of different files that can be open at one time. This number includes mounted file systems, current working directories, current root directories, special device files, semaphores, pipes, shared-memory segments, tty devices, directories, and ordinary files. Several processes opening the same file count as only one inode structure. If you receive the console message "Inode table overflow," you might need to increase the inode value. If you receive the console message "Out of inodes on dev xx/yy," do not increase the value for "inode." This means that the disk ran out of space to store inodes. Increasing the value of "inode" does not solve this problem. (Delete some files from the disk in question instead.) Each inode structure occupies approximately 78 bytes.

The inodes parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix inodes=number <ENTER>

files

Sets the maximum number of opens that can be active at one time. Each open to a file is counted as a different file structure. However, open files passed from a parent process to a child process use a single file structure. Current working directories, current root directories, and mounted file systems do not require a file structure.

However, if a program opens a directory, it is counted as a file structure. Pipes require two file structures: one for each end of the pipe. If you receive the console message "no file" or the error message "File table overflow," increase the value for "files." Each file structure occupies approximately 10 bytes. The limit for "files" should be equal to or slightly greater than the value set for "inodes."

The files parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix files=number <ENTER>

locks

Sets the maximum number of file locks that can be in effect at one time. See locking(S) for more information on file locks. Very few programs supplied with the XENIX Runtime (core) or Development System use file locking. Some applications might use extensive file locking. Each lock structure occupies approximately 20 bytes.

The locks parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix locks=number <ENTER>

clists

Sets the maximum number of clists for the system. Clists store characters that are waiting for input to or output from a terminal. Increasing the number of clists allowed increases the number of characters that the kernel can hold before the system starts to lose characters. Remember that transferring a continuous high-speed stream of data with no character loss is only possible with flow control (^S/^Q) or a positive acknowledgement protocol arranged between the other system and the program running on your XENIX system. Each clist occupies approximately 30 bytes and holds from 1 to approximately 24 characters.

The clists parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix clists=number <ENTER>

sabufs

Sets the number of disk buffers available in the disk cache. Increasing the value of "sabufs" might increase the performance of your system. Each disk buffer occupies approximately 554 bytes. (See also hashbuf.) The number of buffers is automatically increased to use as much space as possible between the end of the kernel and the next multiple of 4096 bytes for buffers.

The sabufs parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix buffers=number <ENTER>

hashbuf

Sets the number of hash buffers available. Regardless of the value specified, hashbuf is the next higher power of 2 above the value of "sabufs." (For example, if you set "sabufs" to a value between 64 and 127, inclusive, hashbuf is 128.) This parameter is not configurable except by changing "sabufs." Each hashbuf occupies approximately 12 bytes.

Notes:

- The variables daylight, timezone, maxprocmem, and maxproc do not affect the size of the kernel.
- The variables coremap, swapmap, texts, and hashbuf cannot be set directly. Instead, they are changed with another variable. Changing the other variable affects the memory used by these tables.
- The variables procs, inodes, files, mounts, locks, and calls specify the size of various system tables. Making them larger (if you are not having any problems) does not increase system performance. In fact, the larger kernel can decrease system performance due to a smaller user memory and increased swapping. If you are having problems with table overflows, check what was happening at the time the problem occurred. It is often better to avoid running tasks that use too many processes than to

attempt to reconfigure the kernel. Infinitely recursive shell scripts will eventually exceed any limit. Avoid starting dozens of background jobs simultaneously when they could be run a few at a time.

• The autoconfiguration values for sabufs, inodes, files, locks, procs, and clists change with system memory size, according to the following table. The row marked "MINIMUMS" indicates the lowest value that can be specified for that parameter. If a lower number is specified, it is ignored and instead, the number appropriate for the system memory size is used for that parameter. No message is given.

	Sabufs	Inodes	Files	Locks	Procs	Clists
MINIMUMS	32	60	60	20	20	50
Memory Sizes						
0.5 meg - 0.875 meg	50	100	100	200	60	200
1.0 meg - 1.375 meg	100	100	100	200	60	200
1.5 meg - 1.875 meg	200	120	120	240	70	200
2.0 meg - 2.375 meg	300	140	140	280	80	200
2.5 meg - 2.875 meg	300	160	160	320	90	200
3.0 meg - up	300	200	200	400	100	200

Installing more than 1 meg of memory requires the 6000 MMU (26-6020).

- If the kernel does not have enough memory to have 256K of user memory plus all of the requested table size parameters, it displays the message "Warning: Bad Configuration, resetting to defaults" when the system is booted and uses the autoconfiguration values for all the table size parameters.
- The kernel's size is rounded up to the next multiple of 4096 bytes. If the kernel can fit more buffers in the otherwise unused area between the kernel and the next multiple of 4096 bytes, it increases the number of buffers automatically.

4.2 Example

Suppose that your system has one hard drive, 512K of memory, and no terminals. The applications you run include large MBASIC programs that need as much memory as possible. You do not have a modern or need the screen device. Speed is a consideration, but the system must be able to handle large processes. Therefore, you want to raise the number for "maxprocmem" to 420.

Your system's users also run complicated shell scripts that sometimes run over the process-per-user limit of 15. Therefore, you raise the limit of "maxproc" to 25.

After raising these variables, you decide to cut the size of most system tables in half or use the minimums if they are larger. However, because file locking was apparently never used and there will not be another user to lock out, you want to cut the number of locks available to 20.

The resulting configuration is:

```
**
      Custom Xenix configuration file for single-user system
**
disk
console 1
printer 1
*** note that the minor number 0377 causes the kernel to autoconfigure
root
        disk 0377
pipe
        disk 0377
        disk 0377 0 8000
*** tunables
timezone (6*60)
maxprocmem 404
*** '0' causes the kernel to autoconfigure the number
sabufs
           32
inodes
           60
           60
files
mounts
           4
procs
           30
           75
clists
locks
           20
maxproc
```

After building this kernel, you notice that the kernel is approximately 12K smaller than the distribution kernel. However, this does not quite reach the goal of running 420K processes. The actual user memory available is:

```
512K - 120K = 392K
```

The largest process that can be run is 4K less than this. The largest value for "maxprocmem" in this case is 388K. If it turns out that this is not large enough, you will have to reduce the size of the kernel further, or get some more memory.

Name

configuration - configurable items in the XENIX kernel.

Description

There are many configuration parameters in the XENIX kernel that can be tuned to the user's requirements. Several different commands are used to set and examine these parameters. This list identifies the parameters, the appropriate command to use for setting it, and where to get more information.

The configuration kit documentation referred to below comes with the XENIX 6000 Configuration Kit (Cat. No. 700-3043). It also contains linkable object modules to build new kernels.

A reboot is required after changing most of the parameters before the new value will take effect.

Time Zone and Daylight Savings Time

The default time zone and whether daylight savings time is in effect (at the appropriate time during the year for the USA) or not can be set with the /etc/tz command or the configuration kit. This information is used by many commands to display times when there is no TZ environment variable. This information is initially set by /etc/tz when the core system is installed. /etc/tz takes no arguments and prompts for the information required. See /etc/tz and the configuration kit documentation (daylight and timezone parameters and instructions for installing a new kernel) for more information.

Maximum Process Size

The maximum process size is a limit on the sum of the text, data, and stack areas of a running process. The maximum process size in distributed XENIX kernels is 256K. It can be increased with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (maxmem=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (maxprocmem parameter) for more information.

Maximum Number of Processes Per User

There is a set maximum on the number of processes that can be run by any one user id. The user "root" is exempt from the limit. Logging in more than once or running at(C) jobs does not increase the number of processes that can run under one user id. The default limit is 15 processes. This can be increased with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (maxprocs=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (maxproc parameter) for more information.

Clock Speed

The time-of-day clock might run fast or slow on a given system, due to manufacturing tolerances, temperature, and other variables. The /etc/adj_clock command can be used to make fine adjustments to the clock speed. These changes take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. The default setting is an approximate value for the "average" system. See adj clock(C).

Floppy Drive Configuration

Different models of computers have different types of floppy drives. The system installation procedure provides normal values for drive step rate, whether to wait for the motor to start up, and whether the drive can detect media changes. There is one set of values for Model II systems and another for Models 12, 16, and 6000. The /etc/drive command is used to change the settings. These changes take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. See drive(C).

Read-after-Write Verification

Automatic read-after-write verification can be set for floppy drives, hard drives, and cartridges independently of each other with the /etc/verify command. These changes take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. See verify(C).

Automatic Reboot

The autoboot(C) command controls two features, autoboot and automatic reboot. It can be used to set up automatic reboot, which reboots the system if there is a panic or the system is shut down with haltsys(C). The autoboot feature, which brings up the system after it is reset, is

not a kernel patch but involves installing different versions of the boot track. These options can be set with the /etc/autoboot command. The changes will take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. See autoboot(C).

System Node Name

The system node name is returned by the uname(S) system call, and the uname(C) command. While most programs distributed with XENIX determine the system name from the /etc/systemid file, some programs use the uname(S) system call. The /etc/cfg command can be used to set the node name. The initial value is a zero-length string. The uname(C) command prints it as "(empty)." See cfg(M) (nodename='name' parameter) for more information.

Swap Device

XENIX uses a disk partition for swapping processes out of memory when they won't all fit. This partition is normally the "back half" of the boot device (Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0). It is sometimes desirable to move the swap area to a different drive for speed (reduce seeking between the root and swap areas) or space reasons. See hd(M) for a description of hard disk partitions, and execute "ls -1 /dev/hd*" to see hard disk devices and their device numbers. The swap device (major and minor device number), offset from the beginning of the partition (in blocks, and usually 0), and the length of the swap area (in blocks) must be specified. The swap device can be changed with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (swapdev, swplo, and nswap parameters) and the configuration kit documentation (swap parameter) for more information.

Disk Cache Buffers

Disk cache buffers hold information from disk that has been recently used. If there are many buffers, disk reads can be avoided because recently accessed information is already in the buffers. On the other hand, too many buffers result in less memory for user processes and more swapping. The number of disk cache buffers can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of buffers is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (buffers=n parameter) for more information and the table of defaults. See the configuration kit documentation (sabufs parameter) for further detail.

Maximum Open Inodes

An "inode" is a kernel data structure that corresponds to an open file. The inode table in the kernel must have room for an entry for each different open file. The size of the inode table can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of inode table entries is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (inodes=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (inodes parameter) for more information.

Maximum Open Files

The open file table in the kernel must have room for an entry for each active file open. This is different from the "Maximum Open Inodes" parameter since several opens of the same file count as one inode and several open files. The size of the open file table can be set with the |etc/cfg| command or the configuration kit. The default number of file table entries is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (files=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (files parameter) for more information.

Maximum System Processes

The system has a maximum number of processes that can be run at one time. This number can be changed with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of process table entries is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (procs=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (procs parameter) for more information.

Character Buffers

Console and serial data transmission require buffers called "clists" in the kernel. The requirement for buffers increases with the number of terminals simultaneously in use and with the transmission speed. The number of character lists can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the

configuration kit. See cfg(M) (clists=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (clists parameter) for more information.

Maximum File Locks

The file locking facility requires an entry in the file lock table for each simultaneously active file lock. Very few programs distributed with the XENIX Core System or Development System use file locking. Applications might use it extensively. The number of file locks can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (locks=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (locks parameter) for more information.

Maximum Mounted File Systems

There is a limit to the number of simultaneous mounted file systems (including the root file system). The default value is 8. This value can be changed with the configuration kit. See the configuration kit documentation (mounts parameter) for more information.

Maximum Pending Time Delays

Drivers in the kernel require a "callout" table entry to re-activate a driver after a time limit has passed. The requirement for callout entries is based mostly on the number of processes and the number of devices requiring timeouts (terminals especially). The default maximum number of callout entries is 25. This value can be changed with the configuration kit. See the configuration kit documentation (calls parameter) for more information.

Root File System Device

The root file system is normally the first partition on the drive that you boot from (Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0). You can use the configuration kit to change this. Note that you still have to boot from Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0 and keep a copy of the new kernel on the boot drive and the new root drive. You are responsible for setting up the new root file system. See the configuration kit documentation (root parameter) for more information.

Pipe File System Device

Pipes need temporary disk storage. Normally the pipe file system device is the same as the root file system device. You can use the configuration kit to change this. Normally the pipe device is the same as the (possibly moved) root device or a device used for temporary storage. You must have a file system on the pipe device before booting. See the configuration kit documentation (pipe parameter) for more information.

XENIX 6000 Configuration Kit

Catalog Number 700-3043

The XENIX 6000 Configuration Kit lets you customize the kernel for your system by modifying the files in the /usr/sys/conf directory. To modify the kernel, you must first install the XENIX Software Development Tools of the XENIX Development System.

There are 3 steps to building a new kernel. They are:

- Installing the configuration kit
- · Building the new XENIX kernel
- Installing the new XENIX kernel

Information on the contents of /usr/sys/conf is given in Section 4. It is strongly suggested that you thoroughly read this document before attempting to customize your kernel.

1. Installing the Configuration Kit

Before installing the configuration kit, be sure that the version number of the kit matches the version number of your XENIX system.

- 1. Log in as root at the console.
- 2. Be sure that you do not have a file or directory named /usr/sys. If you do, rename it using the my command, or remove it if you do not want to save it.
- At the root prompt (#), type:

install <ENTER>

The screen shows the Installation Menu:

Installation Menu _____ 1. to install

- q. to quit
- 5. Type 1 and press <ENTER> to install the configuration kit.
- 6. The screen shows:

Insert diskette in Drive 0 and press <ENTER>

Insert the Configuration Diskette into Drive 0, and press <ENTER>.

7. XENIX reads the files off the diskette. When all files are written to the hard disk, the screen shows:

> Installation complete - Remove the diskette, and press <ENTER>

- 8. Remove the Configuration Diskette from Drive 0, and press <ENTER>.
- 9. The screen shows the Installation Menu again. Type q and press <ENTER> to quit.

Your configuration kit is now installed. You can proceed to build a new kernel by first modifying the /usr/sys/conf/conf file.

2. Building the new XENIX Kernel

1. Again, log in as root. At the root prompt, type:

```
cd /usr/sys/conf <ENTER>
```

- 2. Using any XENIX editor, modify the conf file and any other files you wish to change. Detailed information on the conf file is given in Section 4.1.
- 3. When you finish editing the configuration files, type:

- 4. XENIX creates a new file called "xenix" in the /usr/sys/conf directory. XENIX also displays the size of the new "xenix."
- 5. If XENIX displays an error message, see the config(CP) and master(F) manual pages in your Development System manuals for more information. Also see the intermediate source file c.c that is produced.
- 6. Correct any problems and start again from Step 3.

The kernel that you build will be equivalent to the kernel 03.02.00 3(42b). It will not match exactly in size or contents. Do not attempt to apply patches to upgrade from 3(42) to 3(42a) or from 3(42a) to 3(42b). These patches have already been applied.

The kernel you are running on your system probably has some patches made to it by the /etc/drive and /etc/tz commands that are run during the system initialization procedure. This causes a few bytes of data to be different between the kernel you build and the kernel you are running. You make these patches to your new kernel during the installation procedure.

3. Installing a new XENIX Kernel

Before beginning, be sure that all users are logged off the system.

3.1 Kernel Installation

1. Log in as root. At the root prompt, type:

```
cd /usr/sys/conf <ENTER>
```

Note: After the next step, the ps(C) command will not function properly. Ps(C) and certain other commands use the /xenix file to obtain the addresses of variables in the kernel. These commands do not work properly if /xenix is missing or does not contain the currently running kernel. They will work again after the installation is complete. The qps(C) command continues to function.

2. The first thing you want to do is save the old kernel, especially if it is one distributed by Tandy or one that you were using successfully. This ensures that you have a good kernel to go back to if there is a problem with the new one. Save the kernel (/xenix) by renaming it. For example:

```
mv /xenix /xenix.32 <ENTER>
```

If for some reason you do not want to save the old kernel, you can remove it using the rm(C) command.

3. Move the new kernel, created in the previous section, to the root directory. Type:

```
mv xenix /xenix.32.new <ENTER>
```

4. Link the new kernel to /xenix by typing:

5. Shut down the system using /etc/haltsys:

sync; sync; /etc/haltsys <ENTER>

Do not use the shutdown command.

- 6. Reboot the system. XENIX now uses the new kernel. The ps command should function properly at this point.
- 7. Use the /etc/drive command to set the appropriate speed for the floppy disk drives. See the "System Defaults" chapter of the System Administrator's Guide to XENIX for information on using drives.
- 8. Use the /etc/tz command to set the proper time zone. Type:

/etc/tz <ENTER>

You are prompted for information on daylight savings time, location (United States or non-United States), and the appropriate time zone. If you are in the United States, you are prompted to enter a selection from a menu for the proper time zone. If you are outside the United States, you are prompted to enter the time as minutes from Greenwich Mean Time.

3.2 Recovering from an unusable kernel

If you cannot boot with the new kernel, or if it does not perform properly, you can switch back to the old kernel:

- 1. If you can shut down the system normally, do so. Press the Reset button.
- 2. At the boot prompt (Xenix Boot>), type the name of the old kernel previously saved. For example, type:

xenix.32 <ENTER>

- 3. When prompted, enter system maintenance mode by entering the root password.
- 4. At the root prompt, type:

rm /xenix <ENTER>

5. Link the old kernel to /xenix:

ln /xenix.32 /xenix <ENTER>

6. If you changed /dev/swap from the one used with the previous kernel, restore the previous version of /dev/swap. For example:

mv /dev/swap.old /dev/swap

7. Type <CTRL><D> to start the system normally.

4. Configuration

The conf file in /usr/sys/conf specifies the configuration. You should edit this file to reconfigure your kernel. Also included is conf.std, which is an extra copy of the standard distribution configuration. Do not change this file. Use it only as an example of a valid configuration.

For more information on configuration, refer to config(CP) and master(F) in your XENIX Development System Manuals. Any information in this document supersedes that in the Development System Manuals. Also, the examples given in config(CP) and master(F) do not apply directly to your computer. There is an example given in Section 4.2 that does apply to your computer.

Master(F) refers to a file /etc/master. This file is /usr/sys/conf/master in your configuration kit.

Config(CP) refers to a file dfile. This file is /usr/sys/conf/conf in your configuration kit.

The configuration kit is not intended to provide you with the capability to write your own device drivers. However, if you have a device driver you wish to add, some of the points you need to consider

are:

- 1. Add a line to the /usr/sys/conf/master file for the new device.
- 2. Include a line for the new device in the /usr/sys/conf/conf file.
- 3. Add the appropriate object file(s) to /usr/sys/io/libio.a using the ar(CP) command.
- 4. Create entries in /dev using the mknod(C) command and the major device numbers for the device as listed in the /usr/sys/conf/master file.
- 5. Build a new kernel and install it.

4.1 More on the conf file

You can look at the /usr/sys/conf/conf file by using the more command:

```
more /usr/sys/conf/conf <ENTER>
```

The file should look like this:

```
***
      Standard distribution XENIX configuration file
**
disk
console 1
printer 1
screen 1
*** note that the minor number 0377 causes the kernel to autoconfigure
root
        disk 0377
        disk 0377
pipe
        disk 0377 0 8000
swap
*** tunables
timezone (6*60)
maxprocmem 256
*** '0' causes the kernel to autoconfigure the number
sabufs
inodes
           0
files
           0
procs
texts
           0
           0
clists
```

4.1.1 Part 1 - Devices This part specifies the devices that are present. Disk, console, and printer are required. You can remove the others if you do not have the corresponding peripheral. Removing devices saves memory. Remember that the device does not function if it is removed from the configuration.

The following describes the devices that you can remove and how much memory they occupy:

acu This device refers to the dialer devices (/dev/cul* and /dev/cua*). This allows automatic dialing of Radio Shack modems. The driver occupies about 1 3/4 Kbytes.

Screen This device refers to the screen-image memory for the console screen (/dev/screen) and the high-resolution graphics driver (/dev/graphics). Some application programs use these devices. The driver occupies about 1 1/2 Kbytes.

4.1.2 Part 2 - Swap This part specifies the devices to be used for root, pipe, and swap. Normally, you do not want to change root or pipe. However, you might want to change swap. For example, by moving the swap device to a low-activity hard disk, you might increase performance.

We recommend that you do not set the swap device as a floppy disk as this causes very slow performance.

Also, if you wish to change only the size of the swap area on Drive 0, you do not need to reconfigure the kernel. This is because the standard kernel uses an autoconfiguration option. Autoconfiguration tells XENIX to use the space after the file system on the device from which you booted (Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0) as the swap area. To change the swap area, save all your application and user files on Hard Drive 0, reinstall XENIX, and restore the files. During this procedure, XENIX asks if you want to use a non-standard swap area and builds the root file system of the correct size.

To create the swap area on any other drive, specify swap in the form:

The device# specifies the disk to be used for the swap area. The device# must be in octal. You can use the entire drive or the area left after a file system. The device numbers are:

Hard Disk:

Swap Area	Drive 0		Drive 1		Drive 2		Drive 3	
	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal
Entire Drive	32	040	40	050	48	060	56	070
Space after File System	34	042	42	052	50	062	58	072

Floppy Disk:

Swap Area	Drive 1		Dri	ve 2	Drive 3		
	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	Dec.	Octal	
Entire Drive	8	010	16	020	24	030	
Space after File System	10	012	18	022	26	032	

Use the Octal device number for the conf file, and use the Decimal device number for the /etc/cfg command.

You can specify autoconfiguration for Drive 0 by using the device number 0377. If you specify autoconfiguration, the specified swap size and offset are not used. The standard kernel is set for autoconfiguration.

Offset specifies the number of blocks to reserve at the beginning of the disk partition before the swap area. Usually, you specify 0 so that disk space is not wasted. Offset is primarily useful for systems that do not have the "Space after File System" option available.

If you elect to use the "Space after File System" option, you must first make a file system. You cannot make a file system on a drive that you are currently using. That is, the drive cannot be mounted. Also, if the drive already contains a file system, the file system will be overwritten with the new (empty) file system.

To make the file system, first use the diskstat command to determine the amount of available space on the disk. Type:

diskstat x < ENTER >

Replace x with the hard disk drive number. Note the number of blocks diskstat returns.

You must now decide how many of those blocks to use for *swapsize* and how many to use for the file system. The number of blocks you select must be a multiple of 17 (1 track). You should use at least 2006 blocks for *swapsize*. If you have a large system, you should use at least 4097 blocks as *swapsize*. You must create the file system prior to specifying the swap area. Use the /etc/mkfs command:

```
/etc/mkfs /dev/hdx nnnnn 9 17 <ENTER>
```

Replace x with the drive number and nnnn with the number of blocks for the file system. The file system size is the number of available blocks (returned by diskstat) minus swapsize.

Note: The maximum swapsize that can be used is 32759 blocks (16379K).

If you elect to use the "Entire Drive" option, use the diskstat command to determine the amount of available space on the disk. Type:

```
diskstat x < ENTER >
```

Replace x with the drive number. The number returned is the amount of available space you can use for *swapsize*. You do not have to make a file system on the drive with this option.

After changing the swap device, you must remake /dev/swap so that the ps command and other programs get the correct information when looking at the swap device. You should first save the old /dev/swap:

```
mv /dev/swap /dev/swap.old <ENTER>
```

Then, use the mknod command to create the new /dev/swap:

```
mknod /dev/swap b 01 device# <ENTER>
```

Be sure to use the same device number that you used earlier. Now, type these commands:

```
chown sys /dev/swap <ENTER>
chgrp sys /dev/swap <ENTER>
chmod 640 /dev/swap <ENTER>
```

Examples:

```
swap disk 0377 0 8000
```

This is the standard configuration for the swap space. It uses the autoconfiguration mode to use the available space on the boot drive.

Suppose you have a 15-meg hard disk as Drive 2 and wish to use it for swap space. You don't need the entire drive for swap space, so you use the first part of the drive for a file system and the last part for swap. The available space is 30770 blocks. You decide on a swap space of 3400 blocks. You then create a file system with the command:

```
/etc/mkfs /dev/hd2 27370 9 17
```

You can now use the swap specification:

```
swap disk 062 0 3400
```

This example tells XENIX to use 3400 blocks after the file system on Drive 2 as the swap space. The file system must already be created. You would now use the commands described earlier to remake the /dev/swap device.

In many cases, the kernel can be configured without using the configuration kit, but using the /etc/cfg command. To set the swap device to Hard Drive 2 as in the example above, you would use the command:

```
/etc/cfg -n /xenix swapdev=1,50 swplo=0 nswap=3400
```

Note that the device number must be in decimal. This modifies the installed kernel (/xenix) to use

Hard Drive 2 for swap space. The change does not take effect until you reboot. Before rebooting, you must create a file system on Drive 2 and remake /dev/swap.

4.1.3 Part 3 - Tunable Parameters This part specifies a number of parameters called "tunables." These parameters let you set defaults for your XENIX system. The following describes each tunable and the default used if you don't specify it.

Most of these parameters are more conveniently set using /etc/cfg or /etc/tz.

daylight

Sets daylight savings time to on or off. The value 1 indicates that daylight savings time applies during the appropriate part of the year. The value 0 indicates that daylight savings time never applies. It is best to use /etc/tz to set "daylight" and "timezone" because /etc/tz also sets the environment variables that XENIX uses when displaying the date and time. In general, this value is only used when there is no TZ environment variable. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 1.

timezone

Specifies the number of minutes west of Greenwich Mean Time. Specify

8*60 for Pacific Standard Time

7*60 for Mountain Standard Time

6*60 for Central Standard Time

5*60 for Eastern Standard Time

It is best to use /etc/tz to set "daylight" and "timezone" because /etc/tz also sets the environment variables that XENIX uses when displaying the date and time. In general, this value is only used when there is no TZ environment variable. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 6*60 (Central Standard Time).

maxprocmem

Sets the maximum amount (Kbytes) of memory that one process can use. This prevents a process from using the entire system memory. We recommend that you do not change this parameter. However, if you do, be sure that your swap space is at least four times the amount you set for "maxprocmem."

The maximum amount of memory that any process can use is the total user memory (displayed at boot time) minus 4K. Do not set "maxprocmem" higher than total user memory minus 4K. If you set "maxprocmem" smaller than 256, you might not be able to run some programs or even boot the system. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 256.

Maxprocmem can be more conveniently changed with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix maxmem=max <ENTER>

where max is the value of "maxprocmem" in Kbytes.

maxproc

Sets the maximum number of processes any one user id can run at one time. This number includes all processes, regardless of the number of terminals the user might be using. This parameter does not affect the size of the kernel. Default = 15.

Maxproc can be more conveniently changed with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix maxprocs=max <ENTER>

calls

Sets the maximum number of time delays that can be pending in the kernel at any one time. Normally, you do not need to increase this value unless you significantly increase the value for "procs." The console message "Timeout table overflow" indicates that you need to increase the value of "calls." Each callout structure occupies approximately 12 bytes. Default = 25.

mounts

Sets the maximum number of file systems that can be mounted at any one time. This number includes the root, but does not include devices that are not currently mounted (for example, swap). Different partitions of the same disk that contain different mounted file systems use separate mount structures. Each mount structure occupies approximately 14 bytes. Default = 8.

The following parameters affect the size of various kernel tables. A value of 0 indicates autoconfiguration, and the value used depends on the total amount of memory at boot time. The default value in all cases is autoconfiguration. Most of these parameters can also be set with /etc/cfg. The examples using /etc/cfg modify the currently running kernel, /xenix. You can modify a different kernel by specifying a different file name after -n.

procs

Sets the maximum number of processes that can run in the system at one time. This number includes all system processes: swapper, /etc/init, /etc/cron, /etc/update, gettys (enabled lines), cron processes, etc. If a user program or the shell returns a "No more processes" message, you might need to increase either "procs" or "maxproc." Each process structure occupies approximately 46 bytes.

The procs parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix procs=number <ENTER>

texts

Sets the maximum number of different shared-text programs that can be run at one time. Programs with the "sticky bit" (chmod u+t) set count even if not currently executing. Almost every distributed XENIX program is shared-text, as well as various shells (sh, csh, csh10, vsh, and tsh). Shell scripts are not shared-text. Several users running the same program simultaneously use one text structure for that program. The console message "out of text" indicates that the value for "texts" needs to be increased. The value of "texts" is fixed at 2/3 of "procs," and increasing "texts" can be done only by increasing "procs." Each text structure occupies approximately 14 bytes.

coremap

Contains information about free memory. The value of "coremap" is half of the value of "procs" and cannot be changed without changing "procs." The memory used is included in the figure for "procs."

swapmap

Contains information about free swap space. The value of "swapmap" is half of the value of "procs" and cannot be changed without changing "procs." The memory used is included in the figure for "procs."

inodes

Sets the maximum number of **different** files that can be open at one time. This number includes mounted file systems, current working directories, current root directories, special device files, semaphores, pipes, shared-memory segments, tty devices, directories, and ordinary files. Several processes opening the same file count as only one inode structure. If you receive the console message "Inode table overflow," you might need to increase the inode value. If you receive the console message "Out of inodes on dev xx/yy," do not increase the value for "inode." This means that the disk ran out of space to store inodes. Increasing the value of "inode" does not solve this problem. (Delete some files from the disk in question instead.) Each inode structure occupies approximately 78 bytes.

The inodes parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix inodes=number <ENTER>

files

Sets the maximum number of opens that can be active at one time. Each open to a file is counted as a different file structure. However, open files passed from a parent process to a child process use a single file structure. Current working directories, current root directories, and mounted file systems do not require a file structure.

However, if a program opens a directory, it is counted as a file structure. Pipes require two file structures: one for each end of the pipe. If you receive the console message "no file" or the error message "File table overflow," increase the value for "files." Each file structure occupies approximately 10 bytes. The limit for "files" should be equal to or slightly greater than the value set for "inodes."

The files parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix files=number <ENTER>

locks

Sets the maximum number of file locks that can be in effect at one time. See locking(S) for more information on file locks. Very few programs supplied with the XENIX Runtime (core) or Development System use file locking. Some applications might use extensive file locking. Each lock structure occupies approximately 20 bytes.

The locks parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix locks=number <ENTER>

clists

Sets the maximum number of clists for the system. Clists store characters that are waiting for input to or output from a terminal. Increasing the number of clists allowed increases the number of characters that the kernel can hold before the system starts to lose characters. Remember that transferring a continuous high-speed stream of data with no character loss is only possible with flow control (^S/^Q) or a positive acknowledgement protocol arranged between the other system and the program running on your XENIX system. Each clist occupies approximately 30 bytes and holds from 1 to approximately 24 characters.

The clists parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix clists=number <ENTER>

sabufs

Sets the number of disk buffers available in the disk cache. Increasing the value of "sabufs" might increase the performance of your system. Each disk buffer occupies approximately 554 bytes. (See also hashbuf.) The number of buffers is automatically increased to use as much space as possible between the end of the kernel and the next multiple of 4096 bytes for buffers.

The sabufs parameter can also be set with the command:

/etc/cfg -n /xenix buffers=number <ENTER>

hashbuf

Sets the number of hash buffers available. Regardless of the value specified, hashbuf is the next higher power of 2 above the value of "sabufs." (For example, if you set "sabufs" to a value between 64 and 127, inclusive, hashbuf is 128.) This parameter is not configurable except by changing "sabufs." Each hashbuf occupies approximately 12 bytes.

Notes:

- The variables daylight, timezone, maxprocmem, and maxproc do not affect the size of the kernel.
- The variables coremap, swapmap, texts, and hashbuf cannot be set directly. Instead, they are changed with another variable. Changing the other variable affects the memory used by these tables.
- The variables procs, inodes, files, mounts, locks, and calls specify the size of various system tables. Making them larger (if you are not having any problems) does not increase system performance. In fact, the larger kernel can decrease system performance due to a smaller user memory and increased swapping. If you are having problems with table overflows, check what was happening at the time the problem occurred. It is often better to avoid running tasks that use too many processes than to

attempt to reconfigure the kernel. Infinitely recursive shell scripts will eventually exceed any limit. Avoid starting dozens of background jobs simultaneously when they could be run a few at a time.

• The autoconfiguration values for sabufs, inodes, files, locks, procs, and clists change with system memory size, according to the following table. The row marked "MINIMUMS" indicates the lowest value that can be specified for that parameter. If a lower number is specified, it is ignored and instead, the number appropriate for the system memory size is used for that parameter. No message is given.

	Sabufs	Inodes	Files	Locks	Procs	Clists
MINIMUMS	32	60	60	20	20	50
Memory Sizes						
0.5 meg - 0.875 meg	50	100	100	200	60	200
1.0 meg - 1.375 meg	100	100	100	200	60	200
1.5 meg - 1.875 meg	200	120	120	240	70	200
2.0 meg - 2.375 meg	300	140	140	280	80	200
2.5 meg - 2.875 meg	300	160	160	320	90	200
3.0 meg - up	300	200	200	400	100	200

Installing more than 1 meg of memory requires the 6000 MMU (26-6020).

- If the kernel does not have enough memory to have 256K of user memory plus all of the requested table size parameters, it displays the message "Warning: Bad Configuration, resetting to defaults" when the system is booted and uses the autoconfiguration values for all the table size parameters.
- The kernel's size is rounded up to the next multiple of 4096 bytes. If the kernel can fit more buffers in the otherwise unused area between the kernel and the next multiple of 4096 bytes, it increases the number of buffers automatically.

4.2 Example

Suppose that your system has one hard drive, 512K of memory, and no terminals. The applications you run include large MBASIC programs that need as much memory as possible. You do not have a modern or need the screen device. Speed is a consideration, but the system must be able to handle large processes. Therefore, you want to raise the number for "maxprocmem" to 420.

Your system's users also run complicated shell scripts that sometimes run over the process-per-user limit of 15. Therefore, you raise the limit of "maxproc" to 25.

After raising these variables, you decide to cut the size of most system tables in half or use the minimums if they are larger. However, because file locking was apparently never used and there will not be another user to lock out, you want to cut the number of locks available to 20.

The resulting configuration is:

```
**
***
      Custom Xenix configuration file for single-user system
**
disk
console 1
printer 1
*** note that the minor number 0377 causes the kernel to autoconfigure
        disk 0377
root
        disk 0377
pipe
        disk 0377 0 8000
swap
*** tunables
timezone (6*60)
maxprocmem 404
*** '0' causes the kernel to autoconfigure the number
sabufs
inodes
           60
files
           60
mounts
           4
procs
           30
           75
clists
locks
           20
maxproc
           25
```

After building this kernel, you notice that the kernel is approximately 12K smaller than the distribution kernel. However, this does not quite reach the goal of running 420K processes. The actual user memory available is:

```
512K - 120K = 392K
```

The largest process that can be run is 4K less than this. The largest value for "maxprocmem" in this case is 388K. If it turns out that this is not large enough, you will have to reduce the size of the kernel further, or get some more memory.

Name

configuration - configurable items in the XENIX kernel.

Description

There are many configuration parameters in the XENIX kernel that can be tuned to the user's requirements. Several different commands are used to set and examine these parameters. This list identifies the parameters, the appropriate command to use for setting it, and where to get more information.

The configuration kit documentation referred to below comes with the XENIX 6000 Configuration Kit (Cat. No. 700-3043). It also contains linkable object modules to build new kernels.

A reboot is required after changing most of the parameters before the new value will take effect.

Time Zone and Daylight Savings Time

The default time zone and whether daylight savings time is in effect (at the appropriate time during the year for the USA) or not can be set with the /etc/tz command or the configuration kit. This information is used by many commands to display times when there is no TZ environment variable. This information is initially set by /etc/tz when the core system is installed. /etc/tz takes no arguments and prompts for the information required. See /etc/tz and the configuration kit documentation (daylight and timezone parameters and instructions for installing a new kernel) for more information.

Maximum Process Size

The maximum process size is a limit on the sum of the text, data, and stack areas of a running process. The maximum process size in distributed XENIX kernels is 256K. It can be increased with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (maxmem=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (maxprocmem parameter) for more information.

Maximum Number of Processes Per User

There is a set maximum on the number of processes that can be run by any one user id. The user "root" is exempt from the limit. Logging in more than once or running at(C) jobs does not increase the number of processes that can run under one user id. The default limit is 15 processes. This can be increased with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (maxprocs=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (maxproc parameter) for more information.

Clock Speed

The time-of-day clock might run fast or slow on a given system, due to manufacturing tolerances, temperature, and other variables. The /etc/adj_clock command can be used to make fine adjustments to the clock speed. These changes take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. The default setting is an approximate value for the "average" system. See adj_clock(C).

Floppy Drive Configuration

Different models of computers have different types of floppy drives. The system installation procedure provides normal values for drive step rate, whether to wait for the motor to start up, and whether the drive can detect media changes. There is one set of values for Model II systems and another for Models 12, 16, and 6000. The /etc/drive command is used to change the settings. These changes take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. See drive(C).

Read-after-Write Verification

Automatic read-after-write verification can be set for floppy drives, hard drives, and cartridges independently of each other with the /etc/verify command. These changes take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. See verify(C).

Automatic Reboot

The autoboot(C) command controls two features, autoboot and automatic reboot. It can be used to set up automatic reboot, which reboots the system if there is a panic or the system is shut down with haltsys(C). The autoboot feature, which brings up the system after it is reset, is

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not a kernel patch but involves installing different versions of the boot track. These options can be set with the /etc/autoboot command. The changes will take effect immediately, without needing to reboot. See autoboot(C).

System Node Name

The system node name is returned by the uname(S) system call, and the uname(C) command. While most programs distributed with XENIX determine the system name from the /etc/systemid file, some programs use the uname(S) system call. The /etc/cfg command can be used to set the node name. The initial value is a zero-length string. The uname(C) command prints it as "(empty)." See cfg(M) (nodename='name' parameter) for more information.

Swap Device

XENIX uses a disk partition for swapping processes out of memory when they won't all fit. This partition is normally the "back half" of the boot device (Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0). It is sometimes desirable to move the swap area to a different drive for speed (reduce seeking between the root and swap areas) or space reasons. See hd(M) for a description of hard disk partitions, and execute "ls -l /dev/hd*" to see hard disk devices and their device numbers. The swap device (major and minor device number), offset from the beginning of the partition (in blocks, and usually 0), and the length of the swap area (in blocks) must be specified. The swap device can be changed with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (swapdev, swplo, and nswap parameters) and the configuration kit documentation (swap parameter) for more information.

Disk Cache Buffers

Disk cache buffers hold information from disk that has been recently used. If there are many buffers, disk reads can be avoided because recently accessed information is already in the buffers. On the other hand, too many buffers result in less memory for user processes and more swapping. The number of disk cache buffers can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of buffers is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (buffers=n parameter) for more information and the table of defaults. See the configuration kit documentation (sabufs parameter) for further detail.

Maximum Open Inodes

An "inode" is a kernel data structure that corresponds to an open file. The inode table in the kernel must have room for an entry for each different open file. The size of the inode table can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of inode table entries is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (inodes=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (inodes parameter) for more information.

Maximum Open Files

The open file table in the kernel must have room for an entry for each active file open. This is different from the "Maximum Open Inodes" parameter since several opens of the same file count as one inode and several open files. The size of the open file table can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of file table entries is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (files=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (files parameter) for more information.

Maximum System Processes

The system has a maximum number of processes that can be run at one time. This number can be changed with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. The default number of process table entries is based on system memory size. See cfg(M) (procs=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (procs parameter) for more information.

Character Buffers

Console and serial data transmission require buffers called "clists" in the kernel. The requirement for buffers increases with the number of terminals simultaneously in use and with the transmission speed. The number of character lists can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the

configuration kit. See cfg(M) (clists=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (clists parameter) for more information.

Maximum File Locks

The file locking facility requires an entry in the file lock table for each simultaneously active file lock. Very few programs distributed with the XENIX Core System or Development System use file locking. Applications might use it extensively. The number of file locks can be set with the /etc/cfg command or the configuration kit. See cfg(M) (locks=n parameter) and the configuration kit documentation (locks parameter) for more information.

Maximum Mounted File Systems

There is a limit to the number of simultaneous mounted file systems (including the root file system). The default value is 8. This value can be changed with the configuration kit. See the configuration kit documentation (mounts parameter) for more information.

Maximum Pending Time Delays

Drivers in the kernel require a "callout" table entry to re-activate a driver after a time limit has passed. The requirement for callout entries is based mostly on the number of processes and the number of devices requiring timeouts (terminals especially). The default maximum number of callout entries is 25. This value can be changed with the configuration kit. See the configuration kit documentation (calls parameter) for more information.

Root File System Device

The root file system is normally the first partition on the drive that you boot from (Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0). You can use the configuration kit to change this. Note that you still have to boot from Hard Drive 0 or Floppy Drive 0 and keep a copy of the new kernel on the boot drive and the new root drive. You are responsible for setting up the new root file system. See the configuration kit documentation (root parameter) for more information.

Pipe File System Device

Pipes need temporary disk storage. Normally the pipe file system device is the same as the root file system device. You can use the configuration kit to change this. Normally the pipe device is the same as the (possibly moved) root device or a device used for temporary storage. You must have a file system on the pipe device before booting. See the configuration kit documentation (pipe parameter) for more information.

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