NAME

date - print and set the date

## SYNOPSIS

date [ mmddhhmm[yy] ]

## DESCRIPTION

If no argument is given, the current date is printed to the second. If an argument is given, the current date is set. The first *mm* is the month number; *dd* is the day number in the month; *hh* is the hour number (24 hour system); the second *mm* is the minute number; *yy* is the last 2 digits of the year number and is optional. For example:

## date 10080045

sets the date to Oct 8, 12:45 AM. The current year is the default if no year is mentioned. The system operates in GMT. *Date* takes care of the conversion to and from local standard and daylight time.

## DIAGNOSTICS

'bad conversion' if the argument is syntactically incorrect.

**BUGS**