

**NAME**

mknod – make a directory or a special file

**SYNOPSIS**

(mknod = 14.; not in assembler)

**sys mknod; name; mode; addr**

**mknod(name, mode, addr)**

**char \*name;**

**DESCRIPTION**

*Mknod* creates a new file whose name is the null-terminated string pointed to by *name*. The mode of the new file (including directory and special file bits) is initialized from *mode*. The first physical address of the file is initialized from *addr*. Note that in the case of a directory, *addr* should be zero. In the case of a special file, *addr* specifies which special file.

*Mknod* may be invoked only by the super-user.

**SEE ALSO**

mkdir (I), mknod (VIII), fs (V)

**DIAGNOSTICS**

Error bit (c-bit) is set if the file already exists or if the user is not the super-user. From C, a -1 value indicates an error.