

**NAME**

mount – mount file system

**SYNOPSIS**

**/etc/mount** special file [ **-r** ]

**DESCRIPTION**

*Mount* announces to the system that a removable file system is present on the device corresponding to special file *special* (which must refer to a disk or possibly DECtape). The *file* must exist already; it becomes the name of the root of the newly mounted file system.

*Mount* maintains a table of mounted devices; if invoked without an argument it prints the table.

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

**SEE ALSO**

mount (II), mtab (V), umount (VIII)

**BUGS**

Mounting file systems full of garbage will crash the system.