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Preface

This manual lists discrepancies between what is written in the OSF/1 manuals and the actual operation of the operating system.

Applicable Documents

For more information, refer to the *Paragon™ System Technical Documentation Guide*.

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Bug List for OSF/1 Manuals

Intel Scalable Systems Division provides you with a set of OSF/1 manuals as well as a set of operating system manuals. The OSF/1 manuals were written by the Open Software Foundation and are printed by Prentice Hall. These manuals are the following:

OSF/1 Command Reference
OSF/1 Network Application Programmer's Guide
OSF/1 Programmer's Reference
OSF/1 System and Network Administrator's Reference
OSF/1 User's Guide

We have discovered some discrepancies between what is described in the OSF/1 manuals and how the operating system actually works. We list those discrepancies here.

The numbers on the lefthand side are tracking numbers used in our internal database. If you contact SSD Customer Service about these discrepancies, please use this buglist number. Refer to the Preface for information about how to contact SSD Customer Service.

The OSF/1 bug list was last updated on 3/10/95.

2635 OSF DOC opendir_r() and readdir_r() documentation
 incomplete

The function opendir_r() is a re-entrant function, so during compilation, the libc_r.a should be included, not the default libc.a. The OSF/1 documentation for opendir_r() and readdir_r() should specify in the manpage to include libc_r.a.

2636 OSF DOC Reference pages describe incorrect location for
 dirent.h

In the manpage for opendir() the include files mentioned are:
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/dirent.h>
dirent.h is in /usr/include and not in /usr/include/sys.

2673 OSF DOC The wc -k switch incorrectly listed in online
 manpages.

The wc -k switch is not supported in this release.

2788 OSF DOC Errors in man pages for 'sendmail' and 'mailx'

The manpage for sendmail claims that the sendmail.cf file is located in /var/adm/sendmail.cf. The file actually resides in /var/adm/sendmail/sendmail.cf.

2792 OSF DOC csplit manpage documents unsupported option

The csplit.1 manpage describes the "-n number" option, which is not supported.

2796 OSF DOC dd has four options that FAIL.

The dd manpage indicates that fskip=number, conv=iblock, conv=oblock and conv=notrunc are valid options. All four fail.

2800 OSF DOC The du manual page lists unsupported options.

The du manual page lists unsupported -k and -x options.

2804 OSF DOC The "env" manual page describes "-i" option, which
 is not supported.

The -i option for the env command is not supported.

- 2807 OSF DOC The at manual page lists unsupported "-f <file>" option.
- The -f option for the at command is not supported.
- 2808 OSF DOC The atq manual page lists unsupported "-q queueName" option.
- The "-q queueName" option for atq is not supported.
- 2812 OSF DOC fcntl(2) manual page doesn't show the status flags that can be used for SETFL.
- The F_SETFL flag in fcntl(2) is not complete. The manual pages do not mention that the status flags O_RDONLY, O_WRONLY etc. will not change values. The only ones that could be used are O_NONBLOCK, O_APPEND, O_DEFER, O_NDELAY, O_CREAT, O_TRUNC, O_SYNC and O_EXCL as specified in the fcntl.h. This should be mentioned in the manual pages for fcntl() under F_SETFL.
- 2813 OSF DOC The grep manual page describes 5 switches that aren't supported.
- The grep manual page describes five unsupported switches: E, F, f, h, and x.
- 2817 OSF DOC pg command does not perform "+" options on multiple-screen files
- If a file can be displayed on a single terminal screen, the options beginning with "+" do not operate and the entire file is displayed.
- If the file takes more than one page to display, the "+" options work correctly.
- 2866 OSF DOC stty command does not support "cs5" and "cs6" settings.
- The stty manpage lists four (4) character sizes that may be selected, cs5, cs6, cs7 and cs8. However, the first two cs5 and cs6 are not allowed.
- 2868 OSF DOC Manpages for commands "tc", "tp" and "top" are missing ..
- 2890 OSF DOC The mount(8) manpage should specify only the supported file system types ..

The manpage for the mount command specifies that there is support for ufs, nfs, s5fs, ffs and mfs. Emulator DFS code currently only supports UFS and NFS mounts. There is inconsistency in the manpages for fstab(4) and mount(8) in the file system types that are supported.

2908 OSF DOC Option missing from synopsis in manual page for the at command.

In the printed manual page, the -o option that is listed in the Flags section for the at command, is not found in the Synopsis section.

2913 OSF DOC Error in manpage and reference manual for col command.

In the OSF/1 Command Reference under the col command, there is a -l option in the Synopsis section that is not in the Flags section.

The -h option is found in the manpage but not in the OSF/1 Command Reference.

2914 OSF DOC The diff command manual page describes unsupported -C option.

The diff online manual page describes an unsupported -C option.

2916 OSF DOC manpage for finger command is different from OSF command reference manual.

There are discrepancies between the manual page for the finger command and the description in the OSF/1 Command Reference.

2920 OSF DOC Error in manpage for the join command

The join command manual page under flags lists "-o file.field". This should be "-o number.field".

2921 OSF DOC Error in lpq man page.

In the lpq manpage, "[+][number]" should be "[+ [number]]".

2924 OSF DOC Error in mailx manpage and OSF/1 Command Reference manual.

For the command mailx, both the online and printed manpage list the option "-f file". It should be "-f [file]". The description in the Flags section, indicates that file is optional. Executing the

command also shows that it is optional.

2926 OSF DOC Error in rsh manpage and OSF/1 Command Reference.

In the Synopsis section for the rsh command of both the manpage and OSF/1 Command Reference, "[command][args]" should be "[command [args]]".

2929 OSF DOC manpage example is in error for uux command.

For the uux command, both the manpage and OSF/1 Command Reference have an error in example 3, 2nd paragraph, first sentence. The file names that are in bold should be switched.

2931 OSF DOC Error in manpage and OSF/1 Command Reference example for yacc command.

yacc - manpage errors in example "The Parser Source Code":
 in list section:
 list stat '0 should be list stat '0'
 list error '0 should be list error '0'
 in stat section:
 printf("%d0,\$1); should be printf("%d0", \$1);
 in yyerror section:
 printf(stderr,"%s0,s); should be printf(stderr,"%s0",s);
 These errors also occur in the OSF/1 Command Reference.

2935 OSF DOC Error in nm command documentation.

According to the command, nm usage is as follows:
 usage: /usr/bin/nm [-o|x|d] [-v|n] [-hefuprTV] file ...
 The nm online manpage shows usage as:
 nm [-defhnoOrTuvx8] [file ...]
 The OSF/1 Command Reference shows nm usage as:
 nm [-defhnoOrTuvx] [file...]

2953 OSF DOC Error in mail command documentation.

For the UNIX mail command, command usage shows the following options:
 usage: binmail [-erpqt] [-d directory | -f file] [persons]

 The associated manpage shows the following options:
 mail [-e] | [-pqrt] [-d directory_path] | [-f file]
 mail user ... [<file]
 binmail [-e] | [-pqrt] [-d directory_path] | [-f file]
 binmail user ... [< file]

 The OSF/1 Command Reference shows the following options:
 mail|binmail [-e]||[-pqrt] [-f file]

mail|binmail user ... [<file]

2962 OSF DOC Error in opendir() documentation.

The OSF/1 Command Reference for opendir(), mentions the existence of opendir_r(), which is not currently supported. The online documentation correctly does not describe opendir_r().

2966 OSF DOC On-line manual page for select(2) incomplete.

The macros are missing. Current text incorrectly indicates they follow immediately,

2979 OSF DOC On-line reference for cut command describes unsupported -b switch.

The -b switch is unsupported.

2988 OSF DOC Error in ftp command documentation.

The ftp command subcommands do not agree with what is given in the ftp manpages and OSF/1 Command Reference in the following ways:

The subcommands image, rstatus and rhelp are not documented in the manpage and reference manual.

The subcommands reget and restart which are documented in the manpage and OSF/1 Command Reference are not supported by the ftp command.

2989 OSF DOC Error in tftp command documentation.

The netascii subcommand is missing from the tftp manpage and the OSF/1 Command Reference.

2990 OSF DOC The tftp command manual page synopsis is missing command line description.

The synopsis section of the tftp manpage does not show how to execute tftp in the command line mode as described in the description section.

3002 OSF DOC tftp command error code non-descriptive and not documented in manpage

If you attempt to use the "get" command of "tftp" on an invalid directory, you get the error message "Error code 2". This error message is not useful, and the manual page for "tftp" is no help. However, the "tftpd" manpage does give some information pertinent to the problem.

3017 OSF DOC rlogin command out of sync with manpage

rlogin command usage show -8L option, manpage shows -8. Also, example in manpage shows "-e \". This is not acceptable by the command.

3018 OSF DOC Problems with units documentation

There is not a section for the units command in the OSF Command Reference Manual. The manpage does not tell how to exit from the command. The manpage describes the file called /usr/share/lib/unittab. The system does not have this file, but has /usr/share/lib/units instead.

3037 OSF DOC Documented options to nm command "O" and "8" not supported.

3048 OSF DOC strace(8) and writesrv(8) manpages have reviewer notes.

3049 OSF DOC Date manpage specified "%C" and "%e" formats that are not supported.

The manpage for the "date" command lists the formats "%C" (century) and "%e" (day of the month). However, these formats are not supported; using them results in the error message "bad format character".

3067 OSF DOC Documentation claims signal() maintained for compatibility. It is not.

SIGCHLD signals from parallel children do not properly invoke signal handler when the handler is set up using signal() instead of sigaction().

3090 OSF DOC umask.2 manpage references "umask(1)", which does not exist.

The umask.2 manpage section "RELATED INFORMATION" lists "umask(1)". Umask is a shell built-in command, and is not a separate command. There is no umask.1 manpage.

3126 OSF DOC Problem in "-h" option example for the acctcom command documentation

Both the man page and the System and Network Administrator's Reference manual show and example of output from the "-h" option of the acctcom command. This example output is missing the word TIME under START as follows:

```
ACCOUNTING RECORDS FROM: day mon date hh:mm:ss yy
COMMAND          START    END      REAL    CPU    HOG
NAME             USER    TTYNAME  TIME   (SECS) (SECS)  FACTOR
```

3127 OSF DOC acctmerg command documentation - wrong label name
in table

In both the manpage and System and Network Administrator's Reference manual, there is a table of column headings. The label for heading 5 should be PRI_MEM instead of NPRI_MEM. The heading 6 label is correct with NPRI_MEM.

3146 OSF DOC Misspelled word in hypot(3) manpage

3176 OSF DOC typo in Network Applications Programmer's Guide

In the Prentice Hall OSF manual Network Applications Programmer's Guide there is a typo on page 3-23. Under the discussion on the t_free function the text should read:

t_free (Optional) Frees storage for a data structure that was previously
 allocated by t_alloc

It currently says that the function frees memory allocated by t_free.

3227 OSF DOC Manpages missing for command "diskutil" and
"diskpart" ..

3300 OSF DOC References to ranlib should be removed from the
Paragon system.

3367 OSF DOC man page says seekdir() is an int function,
dirent.h prototypes void

The manual page for seekdir() says it is an "int" function, but it is prototyped as a "void" function in the <dirent.h> include file.

3375 OSF DOC newfs -i switch documented incorrectly in man page

3386 OSF DOC Missing manpages for disk utility programs

3392 OSF DOC "su" manpage does not document the "-c" option.

Although the manpage does not document the "-c" option, the su command does recognize and execute accordingly this option. The "-c" option allows su to execute the single command specified with the "-c" option and then exit.

3559 OSF DOC Documentation error in write(2) man page

3582 OSF DOC On-line man page missing for gethostent(3)

When "man gethostent" is executed, the man page for sethostent(3) is returned.

The Prentice-Hall printed manuals have both calls on the same page, but there is no information on the `gethostent(3)` call on line.

The Prentice-Hall Programmer's Reference page 1-229 has two typos. Each reference to `sethostent()` should be refernces to `gethostent()`. The `sethostent` call returns type `void`, so this makes no sense.

3590 OSF DOC `rmdir()` returns `errno` values that are not consistent with man page

Under some circumstances, when `rmdir()` fails the `errno` value does not correspond with the reason for the failure as described in the `rmdir(2)` man page.

3817 OSF DOC `wait(2)` man page does not match functionality of OS

The `wait(2)` manual page describes some functionality that is not currently implemented in Paragon OSF/1. This includes the `wait4()` function and the options `WNOWAIT`, `WCONTINUED`, and `WSTOPPED`.

3910 OSF DOC The manpage for `sigaction` is incorrect.

The manual page for `sigaction()` says that the default action for `SIGCONT` is to terminate the process. It should say that the default action is to start the process if it is stopped.

3919 OSF DOC `/etc/csh.login` not being recognized as system login script

Page 7-23 of the OSF User's Guide says that "`csh`" uses the file `/etc/csh.login` as the system login script. This is not correct: "`csh`" does not have a system login script, and ignores `/etc/csh.login` completely.

4076 OSF DOC `core(4)` manpage refers to nonexistent `<sys/core.h>` include file

The `core(4)` manual page refers to an include file `<sys/core.h>`, which does not exist.

4108 OSF DOC The `crontab` man page documents the `-e` switch, which is not there

4116 OSF DOC `iconv(1)` man page refers to algorithms not used to convert files

The `iconv(1)` man page refers to the following converter

directories:

```
Algorithmic converters  /usr/lib/nls/loc/iconv/*
Table converters       /usr/lib/nls/loc.iconvTable/*
```

However:

- (1) These directories don't exist.
- (2) The program does not actually use them; it is hard-wired to accept only the character sets pc850 and 88591 to convert between. No converter information is read in.

4176 OSF DOC ifconfig.8 manpage has typo error.

The examples in the ifconfig manual page state that the local loopback interface is "lo0." This should be "l00."

4178 OSF DOC mailstats -S option does not work. But -f does.

The mailstats.8 manpage documents the "-S" option, to specify an alternate file to use. However the mailstats command fails when this option is specified with the following message:

```
mailstats: illegal option -- S
If the "-f" option is used it works.
usage: mailstats [-f file]
```

4208 OSF DOC fsck(8) man page does NOT show "-o" switch, electronic one does

The OSF/1 System and Network Administrator's Reference, page 1-83 does not show the -o switch in the command synopsis. The online manual page is correct.

4411 OSF DOC lseek(2) man page states negative file positions are valid

The lseek(2) man page describes the offset parameter as follows:

```
Specifies a value, in bytes, that is used in conjunction with the whence parameter to set the file pointer. A negative value causes seeking in the reverse direction. The resulting file position may also be negative.
```

The last sentence is incorrect, since the OSF/1AD server does not support negative file positions.

4445 OSF DOC exports(4) man page does not say how to restart

export daemon

The exports(4) manual page does not say that you can use the following command to restart the export daemon:

```
kill -HUP <pid of mount daemon>
```

You must do the above any time you modify /etc/exports. If you do not do this, the modification will not take effect until you reboot.

4473 OSF DOC The man page and the include file for signal.h do not agree.

The signal(4) manual page incorrectly states that the name for the interactive stop signal (<Ctrl-Z>) is SIGSTP. The correct name in <signal.h> is SIGTSTP.

4752 OSF DOC Documentation of OSF/1 pthread library call should include all lib search path.

The manual pages for pthreads calls, such as pthread_create(3), state only that the calls are in the Threads Library (libpthreads.a). However, libpthreads.a depends on several other libraries.

To link a serial program that uses any pthreads calls, you must currently use a compiler command line like this:

```
icc -o myprog myprog.c -lpthreads -lc_r
```

To link a parallel (-nx) program that uses pthreads calls, you must currently use a compiler command line like this:

```
icc -o myprog myprog.c -lnx -lpthreads -lc_r -nx
```

(Note that -lnx is required as well as -nx, and the -lnx must precede the -lpthreads.)

5218 OSF DOC mklost+found(8) manpage erroneous reference to "mkfs"

The mklost+found(8) manpage states that "mkfs" always creates "lost+found" directories. However, "mkfs" does not exist; it should say "fsck" instead. (Note that "fsck" only creates a "lost+found" directory if it finds orphaned files.)

5322 OSF DOC Mistake in stat(2) man page: lstat()

5323 OSF DOC ls(1) and df(1) man pages document incorrect block size

Both the "ls" and "du" commands convert from bytes to blocks using a block size of 1024. However, the ls(1) and du(1) manpages state that a 512-byte block is used. (The du(1) manpage also documents a "-k" switch to display in 1024-byte blocks, but this switch is not actually supported.)

Note that the "find" command is correctly documented as displaying blocks in 1024-byte units when the -ls switch is used.

5335 OSF DOC man pages wrongly names unlocked_fseek, and ilk as fseek_unlock

5687 OSF DOC Duplicate manpages & manpages without numeric extension.

5738 OSF DOC Documentation errors in manpage restore(8)

In the restore(8) manpage, the following example is incorrect:

```
cd mnt restore -r
```

It should be:

```
cd mnt
restore -r
```

Also, the filename "restoresymtab" is incorrect; the actual name of the file is "restoresymtable".

5986 OSF DOC Some options in tail's manpage are not supported

The tail(1) manpage documents the switches -n, -c, +<number>m, and -<number>m, which are not currently supported.

5993 OSF DOC -perm mode described in manpage not supported in find

6031 OSF DOC Man page for sigaction refers to u_context structure

The sigaction(2) manpage says the process state is in a structure called "u_context". However, the actual name of this structure is "sigcontext".

- 6033 OSF DOC tput does not recognize keyword "init" as illustrated in examples.
- 6271 OSF DOC The tty manpage has errors and is somewhat inconsistent.
- 6507 OSF DOC GET_GETBREAK not defined in ulimit.h (UL_GETBREAK is)

The ulimit(3) manpage in the OSF/1 Programmer's Reference states that the symbolic constant GET_GETBREAK should be delivered to ulimit() to get the maximum possible break value. However, the actual name of this constant in <ulimit.h> is UL_GETBREAK.

- 6614 OSF DOC Malloc man page does not refer to prototype in stdlib.h

The malloc man page and OSF/1 Programmer's Reference Manual do not refer to the include file <stdlib.h>, where the malloc function is actually declared to be a (void *).

- 6629 OSF DOC Error in example in varargs(3) manpage

The varargs(3) manpage provides an example which does not compile properly. The error is in the following lines:

```
execl(va_alist)
      va_dcl
{ va_alist ap;
```

If you change "va_alist ap;" to "va_list ap;" it compiles without error.

- 6634 OSF DOC head option "-c bytes" and "-n lines" do not work.

The head(1) manpage documents the -c and -n switches, but they are not supported. Also, the optional "-" option identifying character is required.

- 6636 OSF DOC The atrm "-a" option does not work as advertised.

The -a switch is documented in the atrm(1) manpage, but it isn't implemented. Using -a causes atrm to fail with the following error:

```
Usage: atrm [-f|-i] [-] [job #|username]
```

- 6654 OSF DOC man page for mt has wrong default for the tape device.

- 7035 OSF DOC pthread_cleanup_pop() manpage needs longjmp() under "related info"
- 7036 OSF DOC pthread_cleanup_push() needs other functs listed under related info
- 7037 OSF DOC pthread_exit() manpage needs discussion of cleanup funct stack, more...
- 7038 OSF DOC pthread_join() manpage needs to state join is a cancellation point, more ...
- 7039 OSF DOC pthread_setcancel() manpage "related info" section enhanced
- 7040 OSF DOC pthread_testcancel() has difficult sentence, needs expanded "related info" sec.
- 7044 OSF DOC od (octal dump) -N flag doesn't work as documented in man
- 7103 OSF DOC du man page does not match command
- 7169 OSF DOC The man page for "dump" states that /dev/rmt0h is the default device
- 7205 OSF DOC pthread_attr_getstacksize man page spec's *attr not attr
- 7206 OSF DOC pthread_attr_setstacksize(3) man page incorrect in minor ways
- 7209 OSF DOC pthread_cond_signal(3) man page specs cond instead of *cond
- 7210 OSF DOC pthread_cond_timedwait(3) man page has many problems
- 7211 OSF DOC pthread_cond_wait(3) man page spec's objects rather than pointers to obj's.
- 7212 OSF DOC pthread_keycreate(3) man page confusing regarding "value" parameter
- 7238 OSF DOC errno returned by shutdown() call is bogus
- 7321 OSF DOC vipw manpage has mkpasswd in /usr/bin rather than /usr/sbin

- 7331 OSF DOC ptrace PT_READ_U man page needs more info
- 7435 OSF DOC R1.1 manpage inconsistent with implementation of touch command
- 7598 OSF DOC umount -f doesn't work
- 7796 OSF DOC chown does not work as the manpage indicates
- 7880 OSF DOC wait(2) man page incorrect w.r.t pthreads programs
- 7898 OSF DOC alarm(2) manpage spec's <sys/unistd.h>, should be <unistd.h>
- 7947 OSF DOC exec(2) return of EAGAIN not documented
- 8023 OSF DOC Missing information from openpty man page
- 8064 OSF DOC shutdown(8) man page has incorrect description of time argument
- 8066 OSF DOC forkpty(3) man page suggests including file <??>
- 8068 OSF DOC strerr(8) man page is incomplete, needs more information
- 8073 OSF DOC route(8) man page does not match functionality of route command
- 8099 OSF DOC major error in memccpy(3) man page - (wrong description)
- 8110 OSF DOC strncmp(3) man page entry is missing; strcmp(3) has two
- 8120 OSF DOC unsetenv man page referes to nonexisten parameter, "value"
- 8142 OSF DOC pthread_setspecific() manpage confusing about "destroying value"
- 8143 OSF DOC sigaction(2) manpage doesn't define "synchronous signals"
- 8144 OSF DOC sigwait() man page needs to reference sigprocmask()

- 8169 OSF DOC signal() manpage: SIGQUIT and SIGEMT also cause core dump
- 8208 OSF DOC There is an error in memchr(3) man page.
- 8245 OSF DOC task_basic_info structure documented wrong in "Mach 3 Kernel Interfaces" docume.
- 8478 OSF DOC Inconsistency in the online manpage and in the OSF ref manual on diskusg ...
- 8479 OSF DOC Typo in the setquota manpage ...
- 8541 OSF DOC The auths.1 manpage is empty.
- 8668 OSF DOC "ps -o pagein,majflt" doesn't work
- 8677 OSF DOC Problems with chown and access manpages.
- 8694 OSF DOC The mkcatdefs.1 manpage synopsis incorrect: [symbol_name] is not optional
- 8707 OSF DOC manpage of sigpending() showed strange characters.
- 8881 OSF DOC ifconfig manpage is missing discussion on interface_id syntax (e.g. '<11>em0')
- 8884 OSF DOC netstat manpage is missing discussion on -I interface syntax (e.g. -I '<10>em0')
- 8900 OSF DOC ifconfig manpage incorrectly defines some of the parameters
- 8963 OSF DOC Serious problems with "unlocked" calls in OSF manpages
- 9004 OSF DOC "cut" man page is wrong
- 9039 OSF DOC typos in atoi(3) man page
- 9063 OSF DOC man pages for inetd incorrectly says -d option logs debug info into logfile
- 9144 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/crypt.
- 9145 OSF DOC who: -m switch documented, not supported
- 9147 OSF DOC telephone_number or systemname are required args

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9152 OSF DOC Eqn, neqn and checkeq don't have man pages.

9153 OSF DOC -mm option missing in diction manpage.

9156 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/mkdep

9157 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/msgs

9158 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/style

9159 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/suggest

9160 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/whatabout

9165 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/addbib

9174 OSF DOC Manpage for /usr/bin/indent is missing ...

9240 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/deliv

9245 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/enroll

9254 OSF DOC No manpage for /usr/bin/indxib

9498 OSF DOC No manpage for smd.

9551 OSF DOC On line man page of getclock() expressed wrong formula for time interval in nsec

9592 OSF DOC The mknod manpage does not mention that a FIFO cannot be created on a NFS dir.

9815 OSF DOC error in setrlimit()/getrlimit() online man page

9833 OSF DOC random(3) doesn't match the implementation

9877 OSF DOC Inconsistency of the default device between dump and manpage.

10458 OSF DOC touch command man page and executable disagree on use

11229 OSF DOC setsockopt(2) manpage gives wrong variable types for SO_SNDTIMEO & SO_RCVTIMEO

12259 OSF DOC mt(1) man page defaults need updating

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