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PROLOG

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NAME

encrypt ? encoding function (CRYPT)

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <unistd.h>

void encrypt(char block[64], int edflag);
```

DESCRIPTION

The encrypt() function shall provide access to an implementation-defined encoding algorithm. The key generated by setkey() is used to encrypt the string block with encrypt().

The block argument to encrypt() shall be an array of length 64 bytes containing only the bytes with values of 0 and 1. The array is modified in place to a similar array using the key set by setkey(). If edflag is 0, the argument is encoded. If edflag is 1, the argument may be decoded (see the APPLICATION USAGE section); if the argument is not decoded, errno shall be set to [ENOSYS].

The encrypt() function shall not change the setting of errno if successful. An application wishing to check for error situations should

set `errno` to 0 before calling `encrypt()`. If `errno` is non-zero on re-
turn, an error has occurred.

The `encrypt()` function need not be thread-safe.

RETURN VALUE

The `encrypt()` function shall not return a value.

ERRORS

The `encrypt()` function shall fail if:

`ENOSYS` The functionality is not supported on this implementation.

The following sections are informative.

EXAMPLES

None.

APPLICATION USAGE

Historical implementations of the `encrypt()` function used a rather
primitive encoding algorithm.

In some environments, decoding might not be implemented. This is re-
lated to some Government restrictions on encryption and decryption rou-
tines. Historical practice has been to ship a different version of the
encryption library without the decryption feature in the routines sup-
plied. Thus the exported version of `encrypt()` does encoding but not de-
coding.

RATIONALE

None.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

A future version of the standard may mark this interface as obsolete or
remove it altogether.

SEE ALSO

`crypt()`, `setkey()`

The Base Definitions volume of POSIX.1?2017, `<unistd.h>`

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