

**NAME**

ttytype – terminal device to default terminal type mapping

**DESCRIPTION**

The */etc/ttytype* file associates **termcap**(5)/**terminfo**(5) terminal type names with tty lines. Each line consists of a terminal type, followed by whitespace, followed by a tty name (a device name without the */dev/*) prefix.

This association is used by the program **tset**(1) to set the environment variable **TERM** to the default terminal name for the user's current tty.

This facility was designed for a traditional time-sharing environment featuring character-cell terminals hardwired to a UNIX minicomputer. It is little used on modern workstation and personal UNIX systems.

**FILES**

*/etc/ttytype*  
the tty definitions file.

**EXAMPLE**

A typical */etc/ttytype* is:

```
con80x25 tty1
vt320 ttys0
```

**SEE ALSO**

**termcap**(5), **terminfo**(5), **agetty**(8), **mingetty**(8)

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