## NAME

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errdemon – error-logging daemon

### SYNOPSIS

/etc/errdemon [ filename ]

# DESCRIPTION

The error logging daemon *errdemon* collects error records from the operating system by reading the special file /dev/error and places them in the file *filename*. If *filename* is not specified when the daemon is activated, the file /errlog/errfile is used. Note that *filename* is created if it does not exist; otherwise, error records are appended to it, so that no previous error data is lost. No analysis of the error records is done by *errdemon*; that responsibility is left to *errpt*(1M). The error-logging daemon is terminated by sending it a software kill signal (signal 15). Only the super-user may start the daemon, and only one daemon may be active at any time. Normally the daemon is started from an entry in the lines file.

### FILES

/dev/error	source of error records
/errlog/errfile	repository for error records
/dev/systty	repository for error messages generated by the daemon.

#### DIAGNOSTICS

The diagnostics produced by errdemon are intended to be self-explanatory.

#### SEE ALSO

errpt (1M), kill(1), err(4), errdead(1), errfile(5)