

**NAME**

**ul** - do underlining

**SYNOPSIS**

**ul** [-i] [-t *terminal*] [*file ...*]

**DESCRIPTION**

The **ul** utility reads the named files (or standard input if none are given) and translates occurrences of underscores to the sequence which indicates underlining for the terminal in use, as specified by the environment variable **TERM**. The file */etc/termcap* is read to determine the appropriate sequences for underlining. If the terminal is incapable of underlining, but is capable of a standout mode then that is used instead. If the terminal can overstrike, or handles underlining automatically, **ul** degenerates to `cat(1)`. If the terminal cannot underline, underlining is ignored.

The following options are available:

**-i** Underlining is indicated by a separate line containing appropriate dashes ‘-’.

**-t *terminal***

Overrides the terminal type specified in the environment with *terminal*.

**ENVIRONMENT**

The **LANG**, **LC\_ALL**, **LC\_CTYPE** and **TERM** environment variables affect the execution of **ul** as described in `environ(7)`.

**EXIT STATUS**

The **ul** utility exits 0 on success, and >0 if an error occurs.

**SEE ALSO**

`man(1)`, `mandoc(1)`

**HISTORY**

The **ul** command appeared in 3.0BSD.