## NAME

installkernel - install a new kernel image

## **SYNOPSIS**

installkernel version zImage System.map [directory]

## **DESCRIPTION**

**installkernel** installs a new kernel image onto the system from the Linux source tree. It is called by the Linux kernel makefiles when **make install** is invoked there.

The new kernel is installed into  $\{directory\}/vmlinuz-\{version\}$ . If a symbolic link  $\{directory\}/vmlinuz$  already exists, it is refreshed by making a link from  $\{directory\}/vmlinuz$  to the new kernel, and the previously installed kernel is available as  $\{directory\}/vmlinuz.old$ .

## **BUGS**

installkernel resides in /sbin only because the Linux kernel makefiles call it from there. It should really be in /usr/sbin. It isn't needed to boot a system.