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**NAME**

sleep – suspend execution for an interval

**SYNOPSIS**

**sleep** time

**DESCRIPTION**

*Sleep* suspends execution for *time* seconds. It is used to execute a command in a certain amount of time as in:

(sleep 105; command)&

or to execute a command every so often as in this shell command file:

```
while test 1
do
    command
    sleep 30
done
```

**SEE ALSO**

sleep (II)

**BUGS**

*Time* must be less than 65536 seconds.