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NAME
stat – get file status

SYNOPSIS
(stat = 18.)
sys stat; name; buf
stat(name, buf)
char *name;
struct inode *buf;
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## DESCRIPTION

*Name* points to a null-terminated string naming a file; *buf* is the address of a 36(10) byte buffer into which information is placed concerning the file. It is unnecessary to have any permissions at all with respect to the file, but all directories leading to the file must be readable. After *stat*, *buf* has the following structure (starting offset given in bytes):

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struct {
                 char
                          minor;
                                                     /* +0: minor device of i-node */
                                                     /* +1: major device */
                 char
                          major;
                          inumber
                                                     /* +2 */
                 int
                                                     /* +4: see below */
                 int
                          flags;
                          nlinks;
                                                     /* +6: number of links to file */
                 char
                                                     /* +7: user ID of owner */
                 char
                          uid;
                                                     /* +8: group ID of owner */
                 char
                          gid;
                                                     /* +9: high byte of 24-bit size */
                 char
                          size0;
                                                     /* +10: low word of 24-bit size */
                 int
                          size1:
                 int
                          addr[8];
                                                     /* +12: block numbers or device number */
                                                     /* +28: time of last access */
                 int
                          actime[2];
                                                     /* +32: time of last modification */
                          modtime[2];
                 int
         }:
        The flags are as follows:
          100000
                     i-node is allocated
          060000
                     2-bit file type:
                           plain file
                000000
                040000
                           directory
                020000
                           character-type special file
                060000
                           block-type special file.
          010000
                     large file
          004000
                     set user-ID on execution
          002000
                     set group-ID on execution
          000400
                     read (owner)
          000200
                     write (owner)
          000100
                     execute (owner)
                     read, write, execute (group)
          000070
          000007
                     read, write, execute (others)
SEE ALSO
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## DIAGNOSTICS

ls (I), fstat (II), fs (V)

Error bit (c-bit) is set if the file cannot be found. From C, a -1 return indicates an error.