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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 inode {
                                            /* +0: minor device of i-node */
        char
                 minor;
                                            /* +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
 001000
            save text image after execution
 000400
            read (owner)
 000200
            write (owner)
 000100
            execute (owner)
 000070
            read, write, execute (group)
            read, write, execute (others)
 000007
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SEE ALSO

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

DIAGNOSTICS

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