

Socket:

## SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>

#include <sys/socket.h>

int socket(int domain, int type, int protocol);
```

The `socket` has the indicated type, which specifies the communication

semantics. Currently defined types are:

`SOCK_STREAM` Provides sequenced, reliable, two-way, connection-based byte streams. An out-of-band data transmission mechanism may be supported.

`SOCK_DGRAM` Supports datagrams (connectionless, unreliable messages of a fixed maximum length).

`SOCK_SEQPACKET` Provides a sequenced, reliable, two-way connection-based data transmission path for datagrams of fixed maximum length; a consumer is required to read an entire packet with each input system call.

`SOCK_RAW` Provides raw network protocol access.

`SOCK_RDM` Provides a reliable datagram layer that does not guarantee ordering.

`SOCK_PACKET` Obsolete and should not be used in new programs

## Bind

### SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>

#include <sys/socket.h>

int bind(int sockfd, const struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t addrlen);
```

When a socket is created with `socket(2)`, it exists in a name space (address family) but has no address assigned to it. `bind()` assigns the address specified by `addr` to the socket referred to by the file descriptor `sockfd`.

The actual structure passed for the `addr` argument will depend on the address family. The `sockaddr` structure is defined as something like:

```
struct sockaddr {

    sa_family_t sa_family;

    char        sa_data[14];

}
```

### RETURN VALUE

On success, zero is returned. On error, -1 is returned

## Listen

### SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>

#include <sys/socket.h>

int listen(int sockfd, int backlog);
```

### RETURN VALUE

On success, zero is returned. On error, -1 is returned

`listen()` marks the socket referred to by `sockfd` as a passive socket, that is, as a socket that will be used to accept incoming connection requests using `accept`

accept

## SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>

#include <sys/socket.h>

int accept(int sockfd, struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t *addrlen);


#define _GNU_SOURCE          /* See feature_test_macros(7) */

#include <sys/socket.h>

int accept4(int sockfd, struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t *addrlen, int flags);
```

The following values can be bitwise ORed in flags to obtain different behavior:

**SOCK\_NONBLOCK** Set the `O_NONBLOCK` file status flag on the new open file description. Using this flag saves extra calls to `fcntl(2)` to achieve the same result.

**SOCK\_CLOEXEC** Set the close-on-exec (`FD_CLOEXEC`) flag on the new file descriptor. See the description of the `O_CLOEXEC` flag in `open(2)` for reasons why this may be useful.

## RETURN VALUE

On success, these system calls return a nonnegative integer that is a file descriptor for the accepted socket. On error, -1 is returned

connect

## SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>
```

```
#include <sys/socket.h>
```

```
int connect(int sockfd, const struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t addrlen);
```

The `connect()` system call connects the socket referred to by the file descriptor `sockfd` to the address specified by `addr`.

## RETURN VALUE

If the connection or binding succeeds, zero is returned. On error, -1