NAME

close – close a file

SYNOPSIS

(close = 6.)

(file descriptor in r0)

sys close

close(fildes)

DESCRIPTION

Given a file descriptor such as returned from an *open, creat,* or *pipe* call, *close* closes the associated file. A close of all files is automatic on *exit,* but since processes are limited to 15 simultaneously open files, *close* is necessary for programs which deal with many files.

SEE ALSO

creat(II), open(II), pipe(II)

DIAGNOSTICS

The error bit (c-bit) is set for an unknown file descriptor. From C, a −1 indicates an error, 0 indicates success.