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

## 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;
               int
                        inumber;
                                                   /* +2 */
               int
                        flags;
                                                   /* +4: see below */
                        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:
                                                  /* +12: block numbers or device number */
               int
                        addr[8];
               int
                        actime[2];
                                                   /* +28: time of last access */
                                                  /* +32: time of last modification */
               int
                        modtime[2];
      };
      The flags are as follows:
       100000
                  i-node is allocated
       060000
                  2-bit file type:
             000000
                        plain file
             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)
       000007
                  read, write, execute (others)
SEE ALSO
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## DIAGNOSTICS

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