

NAME

mktemp — make temporary file name

SYNOPSIS

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char *mktemp (str)
char *str;
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DESCRIPTION

Mktemp creates a unique temporary file name from its argument. The string must contain a substring of trailing capital X's. These X's are replaced by the users process id. A *stat(2)* is then performed to see if the file exists. If it does, another name is generated, and the process is repeated. (Normally this should only be necessary if the system's process ids have wrapped around). In any case, *mktemp* returns a string containing the temporary file name.

SEE ALSO

mktmp(3)

DIAGNOSTICS

Mktemp returns the string / if it is unable to find a usable