

NAME

tell — get file offset

SYNOPSIS

```
long tell (file)
int file;
```

DESCRIPTION

Tell returns the current read/write pointer associated with the open file whose descriptor is specified as argument.

NOTE

Tell has been replaced by *lseek(file,0L,0)*, which should be used in all new code. *Tell* merely calls *lseek* with the proper arguments, and is provided only for compatibility with existing code.

SEE ALSO

lseek(3)

DIAGNOSTICS

-1 returned for an unknown file descriptor.