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NAME

explain_execv_or_die – execute a file and report errors

SYNOPSIS

#include <libexplain/execv.h>

void explain_execv_or_die(const char *pathname, char *const*argv);

int explain_execv_on_error(const char *pathname, char *const*argv);

DESCRIPTION

The **explain_execv_or_die** function is used to call the *execv(3)* system call. On failure an explanation will be printed to *stderr*, obtained from the *explain_execv(3)* function, and then the process terminates by calling `exit(EXIT_FAILURE)`.

The **explain_execv_on_error** function is used to call the *execv(3)* system call. On failure an explanation will be printed to *stderr*, obtained from the *explain_execv(3)* function, but still returns to the caller.

*pathname*The pathname, exactly as to be passed to the *execv(3)* system call.*argv*The argv, exactly as to be passed to the *execv(3)* system call.**RETURN VALUE**

The **explain_execv_or_die** function only returns on success, see *execv(3)* for more information. On failure, prints an explanation and exits, it does not return.

The **explain_execv_on_error** function always returns the value return by the wrapped *execv(3)* system call.

EXAMPLE

The **explain_execv_or_die** function is intended to be used in a fashion similar to the following example:

```
explain_execv_or_die(pathname, argv);
```

SEE ALSO*execv(3)* execute a file*explain_execv(3)*explain *execv(3)* errors*exit(2)*

terminate the calling process

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