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1 OS Abstraction Layer Introduction

The goal of this library is to promote the creation of portable and reusable real time embedded system software. Given the necessary OS abstraction layer implementations, the same embedded software should compile and run on a number of platforms ranging from spacecraft computer systems to desktop PCs.

The OS Application Program Interfaces (APIs) are broken up into three major sections: Real Time Operating System APIs, File System APIs, and Interrupt/Exception APIs. The Real Time Operating System APIs cover functionality such as Tasks, Queues, Semaphores, Interrupts, etc. The File System API abstracts the file systems that may be present on a system, and has the ability to simulate multiple embedded file systems on a desktop computer for testing. The Interrupt/Exception APIs are for configuring interrupt and exception handlers.

Major changes from the first version of this API include the ability to create objects “on the fly”, meaning they do not require a pre-defined ID in order to create them; instead they return the ID of the created object. Also the corresponding delete functions have been added, allowing the user to create and delete OS objects dynamically. Another change has been the removal of functions that were application specific. This release is aimed at generic embedded systems, not necessarily flight software applications. The addition of the file system API is another major addition, along with a method of simulating embedded file systems on a desktop computer. Finally, the parameters and error return codes have been cleaned up for consistency.

Note on OSAL call restrictions: Each of these calls should be called from a task running in the context of an OSAL application. This means that the startup code should call `OS_API_init`, and each task/thread that is created should call `OS_TaskRegister`. In general, these calls should not be called from an ISR. There are a few exceptions, such as the ability to give a binary semaphore from an ISR.

2 Operating System API

2.1 Miscellaneous API

OS_API_Init

Syntax:

int32 OS_API_Init (void);

Description:

This function returns initializes the internal data structures of the OS Abstraction Layer. It must be called in the application startup code before calling any other OS routines.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS on a successful API init

OS_ERROR (or any value less than OS_SUCCESS) means the OSAL can not be initialized and therefore, additional OSAL calls should not be made.

Restrictions:

This function should be called by the startup code before any other OS calls. It should only be called once.

OS_printf

Syntax:

void OS_printf (const char String, ...);

Description:

This function provides a printing utility similar to printf. There is a #define OS_UTILITY_TASK_ON which, in the VxWorks operating systems, creates a utility task to which all the parameters to OS_printf are passed. The utility task then prints out the message. This is done so that print statements may be called from tasks that cannot block.

In the other OS's, (and if the #define is not present), OS_printf provides a pass through to printf.

This function takes all the parameters and formatting options of printf.

Parameters:

String: The text portion of the print
ellipsis: The other parameters to print

Returns:

Nothing

Restrictions:

None

OS_printf_disable

Syntax:

void OS_printf_disable(void);

Description:

This function disables the UART or console output of OS_printf. After this function is called, OS_printf will return immediately without trying to format or output any strings.

Parameters:

(none)

Returns:

Nothing

Restrictions:

None

OS_printf_enable

Syntax:

void OS_printf_enable(void);

Description:

This function enables the UART or console output of OS_printf. After this function is called, OS_printf will format and output strings that are passed to it.

Parameters:

(none)

Returns:

Nothing

Restrictions:

None

OS_Tick2Micros

Syntax:

int32 OS_Tick2Micros (void);

Description:

This function returns the number of microseconds per operating system tick. It is used for computing the delay time in the operating system calls.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

Microseconds per operating system tick.

Restrictions:

None

OS_GetLocalTime

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_GetLocalTime( OS_time_t * time_struct);
```

Description:

This function returns the local time of the machine it is on

Parameters:

time struct: A pointer to a OS_time_t structure that will hold the current time
 in seconds and milliseconds

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS

Restrictions:

None

OS_SetLocalTime

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_SetLocalTime( OS_time_t * time_struct);
```

Description:

This function allows the user to set the local time of the machine it is on

Parameters:

time struct: A pointer to a OS_time_t structure that holds the current time
 in seconds and milliseconds

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS

Restrictions:

None

OS_Milli2Ticks

Syntax:

int32 OS_Milli2Ticks (uint32 milli_seconds);

Description:

This function returns the equivalent number of system clock ticks for the give period of time in milliseconds. The number of ticks is rounded up if necessary

Parameters:

milli_seconds: Then number of milliseconds to convert to ticks

Returns:

Number of ticks in the given period of milliseconds.

Restrictions:

None

2.2 Queue API

OS_QueueCreate

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_QueueCreate ( uint32 *queue_id, const char *queue_name, uint32
                      queue_depth, uint32 data_size, uint32 flags );
```

Description:

This is the function used to create a queue in the operating system. Depending on the underlying operating system, the memory for the queue will be allocated automatically or allocated by the code that sets up the queue. Queue names must be unique; if the name already exists this function fails. Names cannot be NULL.

Parameters:

queue_id : an id to refer to a specific queue, is passed back to the caller

queue_name: This is a character string to identify the queue. It is used only for display purposes. Example "INPUT_QUEUE"

queue_depth: This is the maximum number of elements that can be stored in the queue.

data_size: This is the size of each data element on the queue. If the queue is setup to have variable sized items, it is the maximum size.

flags: **This parameter is currently ignored. All queues use the FIFO policy.**
A future release may support the following flags to alter the queue behavior:
OS_FIFO_QUEUE – use the FIFO queue policy (default)
OS_PRIORITY_QUEUE – use priority based queue policy
OS_FIXED_SIZE_QUEUE
OS_VARIABLE_SIZED_QUEUE

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if a pointer passed in is NULL
OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name passed in is too long
OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS if there are already the max queues created
OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN if the name is already being used on another queue
OS_ERROR if the OS create call fails
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_QueueDelete

Syntax:

int32 OS_QueueDelete (uint32 queue_id);

Description:

This is the function used to delete a queue in the operating system. This also frees the respective queue_id to be used again when another queue is created.

Parameters:

queue_id : an id to refer to the specific queue to be deleted

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in does not exist

OS_ERROR if the OS call to delete the queue fails

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_QueueGet

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_QueueGet ( uint32 queue_id, void *data, uint32 size, uint32 *size_copied,  
                   int32 timeout);
```

Description:

This function is used to retrieve a data item from an existing queue. The queue can be checked, pended on, or pended on with a timeout.

Parameters:

- queue_id :** This is the queue ID from the queue that was created.
- data:** This is a pointer to the buffer where the item gets copied.
- size:** This is the maximum size of the data element that is being read. If it is a fixed size queue, then only the number of bytes corresponding to the initial queue size will be copied.
- size_copied:** This is the actual size of the data (in bytes) that was copied.
- timeout:** This is the timeout value, in ticks for the queue get call. A value of OS_PEND (0) will cause the call to block until a message arrives. A value of OS_CHECK (-1) will cause the call to return immediately if there is nothing on the queue.

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the given ID does not exist
OS_INVALID_POINTER if a pointer passed in is NULL
OS_QUEUE_EMPTY if the Queue has no messages on it to be recieved
OS_QUEUE_TIMEOUT if the timeout was OS_PEND and the time expired
OS_QUEUE_INVALID_SIZE if the size copied from the queue was not correct
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_QueuePut

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_QueuePut ( uint32 queue_id, void *data, uint32 size, uint32 flags);
```

Description:

This function is used to send data on an existing queue. The flags can be used to specify the behavior of the queue if it is full.

Parameters:

queue_id: This is the queue ID from the queue that was created.

data: This is a pointer to the data to be sent.

size: This is the size of the data element that is being sent.

flags: This parameter is currently unused.

In a future release, the flags will be used to send high priority messages or determine the calling tasks blocking behavior:

OS_QUEUE_BLOCK – specify that the task should block on a full queue during the send.

OS_QUEUE_NONBLOCK – this is the default behavior where the call will return an error on a full queue.

OS_QUEUE_URGENT – In the systems that support this feature, the message will be marked as high priority.

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the queue id passed in is not a valid queue

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the data pointer is NULL

OS_QUEUE_FULL if the queue cannot accept another message

OS_ERROR if the OS call returns an error

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_QueueGetIdByName

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_QueueGetIdByName (uint32 *queue_id, const char *queue_name);
```

Description:

This function takes a queue name and looks for a valid queue with this name and returns the id of that queue.

Parameters:

queue_id: The id of the queue, passed back to the caller.

queue_name: The name of the queue for which the id is being sought

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the name or id pointers are NULL

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG the name passed in is too long

OS_ERR_NAME_NOT_FOUND the name was not found in the table

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_QueueGetInfo

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_QueueGetInfo (uint32 queue_id, OS_queue_prop_t *queue_prop);
```

Description:

This function takes queue_id, and looks it up in the OS table. It puts all of the information known about that queue into a structure pointer to by queue_prop.

Parameters:

queue_id: The id of the queue to look up.

queue_prop: A pointer to a structure to hold a queue's information
 That information includes:
 free: whether or not it's in use
 id: the queue's OS id
 creator: the task that created this queue
 name: the string name of the queue

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if queue_prop is NULL
OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID given is not a valid queue
OS_SUCCESS if the info was copied over correctly

Restrictions:

None

2.3 Semaphore and Mutex API

OS_BinSemCreate

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemCreate(uint32 *sem_id, const char *sem_name,  
                      uint32 sem_initial_value, uint32 options);
```

Description:

This function creates a binary semaphore. Semaphore names must be unique; if the name already exists this function fails. Names cannot be NULL.

Parameters:

sem_id: a unique semaphore identifier passed back to the caller

sem_name: An arbitrary semaphore name.

sem_initial_value: the initial state of the semaphore.

options: This parameter is currently unused. It is reserved for future use.

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if sem_name or sem_id are NULL
OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name given is too long
OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS if all of the semaphore ids are taken
OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN if this is already the name of a binary semaphore
OS_SEM_FAILURE if the OS call failed
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemDelete

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemDelete ( uint32 sem_id );
```

Description:

This is the function used to delete a binary semaphore in the operating system. This also frees the respective sem_id to be used again when another semaphore is created.

Parameters:

sem_id : an id to refer to the specific semaphore to be deleted

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a valid binary semaphore

OS_SEM_FAILURE the OS call failed

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemFlush

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemFlush(uint32 sem_id);
```

Description:

This function releases all the tasks waiting on the given semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system.

Returns:

OS_SEM_FAILURE the semaphore was not previously initialized or is not
 in the array of semaphores defined by the system

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a binary semaphore

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemGive

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemGive(uint32 sem_id);
```

Description:

This function gives back a binary semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system.

Returns:

OS_SEM_FAILURE the semaphore was not previously initialized or is not
 in the array of semaphores defined by the system

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a binary semaphore

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemTake

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemTake(uint32 sem_id);
```

Description:

This function reserves a binary semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system.

Returns:

OS_SEM_FAILURE the semaphore was not previously initialized
 or is not in the array of semaphores defined by the system
OS_ERR_INVALID_ID the Id passed in is not a valid binar semaphore
OS_SEM_FAILURE if the OS call failed
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemTimedWait

Syntax:

int32 OS_BinSemTimeWait(uint32 sem_id , uint32 msec);

Description:

This function reserves a binary semaphore with a timeout.

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores that
 where defined in the system

msec: the timeout in milliseconds to wait

Returns:

OS_SEM_TIMEOUT if semaphore was not relinquished in time

OS_SUCCESS if success

OS_SEM_FAILURE is the semaphore call returned an error

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID passed in is not a valid semaphore ID

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemGetIdByName

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemGetIdByName (uint32 *sem_id, const char *sem_name);
```

Description:

This function takes a binary semaphore name and looks for a valid binary semaphore with this name and returns the id of that semaphore.

Parameters:

sem_id: The id of the semaphore, passed back to the caller.

sem_name: The name of the semaphore for which the id is being sought

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if semid or sem_name are NULL pointers

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name given is too long to have been stored

OS_ERR_NAME_NOT_FOUND if the name was not found in the table

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_BinSemGetInfo

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_BinSemGetInfo (uint32 sem_id, OS_mut_sem_prop_t *sem_prop);
```

Description:

This function takes `sem_id`, and looks it up in the OS table. It puts all of the information known about that semaphore into a structure pointer to by `sem_prop`

Parameters:

`sem_id`: The id of the semaphore to look up.

`sem_prop`: A pointer to a structure to hold a mutex's information
That information includes:
free: whether or not it's in use
id: the mutex's OS id
creator: the task that created this mutex
name: the string name of the mutex

Returns:

`OS_ERR_INVALID_ID` if the id passed in is not a valid semaphore
`OS_INVALID_POINTER` if the `sem_prop` pointer is null
`OS_SUCCESS` if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemCreate

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_CountSemCreate(uint32 *sem_id, const char *sem_name,  
                        uint32 sem_initial_value, uint32 options);
```

Description:

This function creates a counting semaphore. Semaphore names must be unique; if the name already exists this function fails. Names cannot be NULL.

Parameters:

sem_id: a unique semaphore identifier passed back to the caller

sem_name: An arbitrary semaphore name.

sem_initial_value: the initial state of the semaphore.

options: This parameter is currently unused. It is reserved for future use.

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if sem_name or sem_id are NULL
OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name given is too long
OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS if all of the semaphore ids are taken
OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN if this is already the name of a counting semaphore
OS_SEM_FAILURE if the OS call failed
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemDelete

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_CountSemDelete ( uint32 sem_id );
```

Description:

This is the function used to delete a counting semaphore in the operating system. This also frees the respective sem_id to be used again when another semaphore is created.

Parameters:

sem_id : an id to refer to the specific semaphore to be deleted

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a valid counting semaphore

OS_SEM_FAILURE the OS call failed

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemGive

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_CountSemGive(uint32 sem_id);
```

Description:

This function gives back a counting semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system.

Returns:

OS_SEM_FAILURE the semaphore was not previously initialized or is not
 in the array of semaphores defined by the system

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a counting semaphore

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemTake

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_CountSemTake(uint32 sem_id);
```

Description:

This function reserves a counting semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system.

Returns:

OS_SEM_FAILURE the semaphore was not previously initialized
 or is not in the array of semaphores defined by the system
OS_ERR_INVALID_ID the Id passed in is not a valid counting semaphore
OS_SEM_FAILURE if the OS call failed
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemTimedWait

Syntax:

int32 OS_CountSemTimeWait(uint32 sem_id , uint32 msec);

Description:

This function reserves a counting semaphore with a timeout.

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores that
 where defined in the system

msec: the timeout in milliseconds to wait

Returns:

OS_SEM_TIMEOUT if semaphore was not relinquished in time

OS_SUCCESS if success

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID passed in is not a valid semaphore ID

OS_SEM_FAILURE if the semaphore call returned an error

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemGetIdByName

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_CountSemGetIdByName (uint32 *sem_id, const char *sem_name);
```

Description:

This function takes a counting semaphore name and looks for a valid counting semaphore with this name and returns the id of that semaphore.

Parameters:

sem_id: The id of the semaphore, passed back to the caller.

sem_name: The name of the semaphore for which the id is being sought

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if semid or sem_name are NULL pointers

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name given is too long to have been stored

OS_ERR_NAME_NOT_FOUND if the name was not found in the table

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_CountSemGetInfo

Syntax:

int32 OS_CountSemGetInfo (uint32 sem_id, OS_mut_sem_prop_t *sem_prop);

Description:

This function takes sem_id, and looks it up in the OS table. It puts all of the information known about that semaphore into a structure pointer to by sem_prop

Parameters:

sem_id: The id of the semaphore to look up.

sem_prop: A pointer to a structure to hold a mutex's information
 That information includes:
 free: whether or not it's in use
 id: the mutex's OS id
 creator: the task that created this mutex
 name: the string name of the mutex

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a valid semaphore

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the sem_prop pointer is null

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_MutSemCreate

Syntax:

int32 OS_MutSemCreate(uint32 *sem_id, const char *sem_name, uint32 options);

Description:

This function creates a mutex semaphore. Semaphore names must be unique; if the name already exists this function fails. Names cannot be NULL.

Parameters:

sem_id: a unique semaphore identifier passed back to the caller

sem_name: An arbitrary semaphore name.

options: This parameter is currently unused. It is reserved for future use.

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if sem_id or sem_name are NULL

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the sem_name is too long to be stored

OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS if there are no more free mutex Ids

OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN if there is already a mutex with the same name

OS_SEM_FAILURE if the OS call failed

OS_INVALID_SEM_VALUE if initial value of semaphore is 0

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_MutSemDelete

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_MutSemDelete ( uint32 sem_id );
```

Description:

This is the function used to delete a binary semaphore in the operating system. This also frees the respective sem_id to be used again when another mutex is created.

Parameters:

sem_id : an id to refer to the specific semaphore to be deleted

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a valid mutex

OS_ERR_SEM_NOT_FULL if the mutex is empty

OS_SEM_FAILURE if the OS call failed

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_MutSemGive

Syntax:

int32 OS_MutSemGive (uint32 sem_id);

Description:

This function releases a mutex semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if success

OS_SEM_FAILURE if the semaphore was not previously initialized

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a valid mutex

Restrictions:

None

OS_MutSemTake

Syntax:

int32 OS_MutSemTake (uint32 sem_id);

Description:

This function allocates a mutex semaphore

Parameters:

sem_id: an index identifying the semaphore in the an array of semaphores
 that where defined in the system

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if success

OS_SEM_FAILURE if the semaphore was not previously initialized or is
 not in the array of semaphores defined by the system

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID the id passed in is not a valid mutex

Restrictions:

None

OS_MutSemGetIdByName

Syntax:

int32 OS_MutSemGetIdByName (uint32 *sem_id, const char *sem_name);

Description:

This function takes a mutex name and looks for a valid mutex semaphore with this name and returns the id of that semaphore.

Parameters:

sem_id: The id of the semaphore, passed back to the caller.

sem_name: The name of the semaphore for which the id is being sought

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if semid or sem_name are NULL pointers

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name given is too long to have been stored

OS_ERR_NAME_NOT_FOUND if the name was not found in the table

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_MutSemGetInfo

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_MutSemGetInfo (uint32 sem_id, OS_mut_sem_prop_t *sem_prop);
```

Description:

This function takes sem_id, and looks it up in the OS table. It puts all of the information known about that mutex into a structure pointer to by sem_prop

Parameters:

sem_id: The id of the mutex to look up.

sem_prop: A pointer to a structure to hold a mutex's information
 That information includes:
 free: whether or not it's in use
 id: the mutex's OS id
 creator: the task that created this mutex
 name: the string name of the mutex

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the id passed in is not a valid semaphore
OS_INVALID_POINTER if the sem_prop pointer is null
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

2.4 Task Control API

OS_TaskCreate

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_TaskCreate(uint32 *task_id, const char *task_name,  
                    const void *function_pointer, const uint32 *stack_pointer,  
                    uint32 stack_size, uint32 priority, uint32 flags);
```

Description:

Creates a task and passes back the id of the task created. Task names must be unique; if the name already exists this function fails. Names cannot be NULL.

Parameters:

task_id:	a reference to the task just created, is passed back to the caller
task_name:	an arbitrary character string to identify the task by.
function_pointer:	an entry point to the task (task Main routine)
stack_size:	The size of the stack to be allocated for the task
priority:	An integer between 1 and 255 specifying the new task's priority. 1 = highest, 255 = lowest.
flags:	optional flags to pass. Currently only OS_FP_ENABLED is supported which enables floating point context saving for the task.

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if any of the necessary pointers are NULL
OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name of the task is too long to be copied
OS_ERR_INVALID_PRIORITY if the priority is bad
OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS if there can be no more tasks created
OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN if the name specified is already used by a task
OS_ERROR if the operating system calls fail
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskDelete

Syntax:

int32 OS_TaskDelete (uint32 task_id);

Description:

This function is used to delete a task in the operating system. This also frees the respective task_id to be used again when another task is created.

Parameters:

task_id : an id to refer to the specific task to be deleted

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID given to it is invalid

OS_ERROR if the OS delete call fails

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskInstallDeleteHandler

Syntax:

int32 OS_TaskInstallDeleteHandler(void *function_pointer);

Description:

This function is used to install a callback that is called when the task is deleted. The callback is called when OS_TaskDelete is called with the task ID. A task delete handler is useful for cleaning up resources that a task creates, before the task is removed from the system.

Parameters:

function_pointer : The address of the callback function. The function should have the prototype : void functionname(void);

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID given to it is invalid
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskExit

Syntax:

void OS_TaskDelete (void);

Description:

This function allows a task to delete itself (exit). It frees its task Id to be used again by another task. This function doesn't delete any resources used by the task.

Parameters:

None

Returns:

None

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskDelay

Syntax:

Int32 OS_TaskDelay(uint32 millisecond);

Description:

Causes the current thread to be suspended from execution for the period of millisecond.

Parameters:

millisecond: time interval to delay.

Returns:

OS_ERROR if sleep fails

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskSetPriority

Syntax:

int OS_TaskSetPriority(uint32 task_id, uint32 new_priority);

Description:

Sets the priority for the specified task.

Parameters:

task_id: The predefined task ID. The task must be created.

new_priority: The new priority, between 1 and 255.

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID passed to it is invalid

OS_ERR_INVALID_PRIORITY if the priority is greater than the max allowed

OS_ERROR if the OS call to change the priority fails

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskRegister

Syntax:

```
int OS_TaskRegister(void);
```

Description:

Registers the task, performing application and OS specific initialization.
This function should be called at the start of each task.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if there the specified ID could not be found

OS_ERROR if the OS call fails

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

This function should be called at the start of each application task.

OS_TaskGetId

Syntax:

Int32 OS_TaskGetId (void);

Description:

This function returns a unique identification number for task/thread where this routine was called.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

Task Id of the calling task

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskGetIdByName

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_TaskGetIdByName (uint32 *task_id, const char *task_name);
```

Description:

This function takes a task name and looks for a valid task with this name and returns the id of that task.

Parameters:

task_id: The id of the task, passed back to the caller.

task_name: The name of the task for which the id is being sought

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the pointers passed in are NULL

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name to be found is too long to begin with

OS_ERR_NAME_NOT_FOUND if the name wasn't found in the table

OS_SUCCESS if SUCCESS

Restrictions:

None

OS_TaskGetInfo

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_TaskGetInfo (uint32 task_id, OS_task_prop_t *task_prop);
```

Description:

This function takes task_id, and looks it up in the OS table. It puts all of the information known about that task into a structure pointer to by task_prop

Parameters:

task_id: The id of the task to look up.

task_prop: A pointer to a structure to hold a task's information
 That information includes:
 creator: the task that created this task
 stack_size: the size of the stack for this task
 priority: this task's current priority
 name: the string name of the task

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID passed to it is invalid
OS_INVALID_POINTER if the task_prop pointer is NULL
OS_SUCCESS if it copied all of the relevant info over

Restrictions:

None

2.5 Dynamic Loader and Symbol API

The Dynamic Loader and Symbol API are defined in OSAL 2.11, but not implemented. This API is intended to work with the vxWorks dynamic loader, the CEXP dynamic loader for RTEMS, and the dlopen/dlsym API on Linux.

OS_SymbolLookup

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_SymbolLookup (uint32 *SymbolAddress, char *SymbolName);
```

Description:

This function will lookup the address of a symbol.

Parameters:

*SymbolAddress: A pointer to the variable where the address of the symbol will be stored.

*SymbolName: The name of the symbol to look up.

Returns:

OS_ERROR if the symbol is not found.

OS_INVALID_POINTER if one of the parameters are NULL.

OS_SUCCESS if the symbol is found.

Restrictions:

Some operating systems do not support symbol table lookup.

OS_SymbolTableDump

Syntax:

int32 OS_SymbolTableDump (char *filename, uint32 SizeLimit);

Description:

This function dumps the system symbol table to the specified filename.

Parameters:

filename: The full path/filename to save the symbol table.

SizeLimit: The maximum size in bytes to write to the file. This parameter is used to limit the amount of data that can be written to a filesystem. The symbol table file could be quite large, and could fill a RAM disk or other embedded storage device.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if the symbol table was written to the file.

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the filename is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_INVALID if the filename is invalid

OS_ERROR if there was a problem writing the symbol table to the file.

Restrictions:

None

OS_ModuleLoad

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_ModuleLoad ( uint32 *ModuleId, char *FileName,  
                      OS_ModuleInfo_t *OptLoadAddress );
```

Description:

This function loads a new ELF object module into the operating system. This is intended for the loader in Traditional Real Time Operating Systems (RTOSs) such as vxWorks. The ELF object loader will load an “unlinked” object module into the system, resolve the external references, and enter it’s global symbols into the system symbol table for use. The dynamic loaders available include the vxWorks object loader and the RTEMS/Linux based CEXP. The desktop operating systems have a way of implementing this as well (dlopen, dlsym on linux, OS X, cygwin)

Parameters:

*ModuleId: A pointer to where the module ID will be stored.

*FileName: The path/filename of the module to load.

*OptLoadAddress: This is a pointer to an optional structure to specify the load information for the module. The structure contains address information for the Code Segment (Text), Initialized Data (data), and Uninitialized Data (BSS). This structure can be used to locate a module at these specific addresses (if the underlying operating system supports it)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if the load was successful.

OS_ERROR if there was a problem with the load.

OS_INVALID_POINTER if one of the parameters is a NULL pointer

OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS if the module table is full

OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN if the module name is in use

Restrictions:

None

OS_ModuleUnload

Syntax:

int32 OS_ModuleUnload (uint32 ModuleId);

Description:

This function unloads the specified module from the system. Not all operating system module loaders support the unload function.

Parameters:

ModuleId: The ID of the module to unload.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if the unload was successful.

OS_ERROR if there was a problem with unloading the module
(will be expanded as the function is implemented)

Restrictions:

None

OS_ModuleInfo

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_ModuleInfo ( uint32 ModuleId, OS_ModuleInfo_t *ModuleInfo);
```

Description:

This function fills out the OS_ModuleInfo_t structure with data about the module identified by ModuleId. The OS_ModuleInfo_t structure contains the following fields: CodeAddress, CodeSize, DataAddress, DataSize, BSSAddress, BSSSize, and Flags. The primary use is to obtain the location of the dynamically loaded module.

Parameters:

ModuleId: The ID of the module to unload.

*ModuleInfo: A pointer to the structure where the module information will be stored.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if the module information was retrieved.

OS_ERROR if there was a problem with getting the module information, or the module is invalid.

Restrictions:

None

2.6 Timer API

The timer API is a generic interface to the OS timer facilities. It is implemented using the POSIX timers on Linux and vxWorks and the native timer API on RTEMS. The OS X version is not complete, and will have to be simulated, since the POSIX timer API is not supported on OS X. Cygwin support is TBD. The number of timers supported is controlled by the configuration parameter `OS_MAX_TIMERS`.

OS_TimerCreate

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_TimerCreate (uint32 *timer_id, const char *timer_name, uint32
*clock_accuracy, OS_TimerCallback_t callback_ptr)
```

Description:

This function creates a new timer and associates a callback routine.

Parameters:

`*timer_id` A pointer to the variable where the OSAL ID of the new timer will be stored.

`*timer_name`: The name of the timer to be created.

`*clock_accuracy`: A pointer to the variable where the accuracy of the timer is stored. The accuracy is in microseconds. This parameter will give an indication of the minimum clock resolution of the timer.

`callback_ptr`: The function pointer of the timer callback or ISR that will be called by the timer. The user's function is declared as follows:

```
void timer_callback(uint32 timer_id)
```

Where the `timer_id` is passed in to the function by the OSAL.

Returns:

`OS_INVALID_POINTER` if one of the pointer parameters is zero.

`OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG` if the name parameter is too long.

`OS_ERR_NAME_TAKEN` if the name is already in use by another timer.

`OS_ERR_NO_FREE_IDS` if all of the timers are already allocated.

`OS_TIMER_ERR_INVALID_ARGS` if the callback pointer is zero.

`OS_TIMER_ERR_UNAVAILABLE` if the timer cannot be created.

`OS_SUCCESS` if the timer has been created successfully.

Restrictions:

Depending on the OS, the `timer_callback` function may be similar to an interrupt service routine. System calls that cause the code to block are generally not supported.

OS_TimerSet

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_TimerSet ( uint32 timer_id, uint32 start_msec, uint32 interval_msec );
```

Description:

This function programs the timer with a start time and an optional interval time. The start time is the time in microseconds when the user callback function will be called. If the interval time is non-zero, the timer will be reprogrammed with that interval in microseconds to call the user callback function periodically. If the start time is zero, the timer will be disabled.

Parameters:

timer_id: The ID of the timer to program.

start_msec: The start time in microseconds of when to first call the user callback function. If this parameter is zero, the timer will be disabled.

interval_msec: The interval time in microseconds of what the periodic timer will be programmed for. The user callback function will be called every “interval_msec” seconds after the initial start time. If this parameter is zero, then the timer will only call the user callback function once after the start_msec time.

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the timer_id is not valid.

OS_TIMER_ERR_INTERNAL if there was an error programming the OS timer.

OS_SUCCESS if the timer was programmed successfully.

Restrictions:

The resolution of the times specified is limited to the clock accuracy returned in the OS_TimerCreate call. If the times specified in the start_msec or interval_msec parameters are less than the accuracy, they will be rounded up to the accuracy of the timer.

OS_TimerDelete

Syntax:

int32 OS_TimerDelete (uint32 timer_id)

Description:

This function deletes the specified timer.

Parameters:

ModuleId: The ID of the timer to delete.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS if the deletion of the timer was successful.

OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the timer_id is invalid.

OS_TIMER_ERR_INTERNAL if there was a problem deleting the timer in the host OS.

Restrictions:

None

OS_TimerGetIdByName

Syntax:

int32 OS_TimerGetIdByName (uint32 *timer_id, const char *timer_name);

Description:

This function takes a timer name and looks for a valid timer with this name and returns the id of that timer.

Parameters:

*timer_id: The id of the timer, passed back to the caller.

timer_name: The name of the timer for which the id is being sought

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the name or id pointers are NULL

OS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG the name passed in is too long

OS_ERR_NAME_NOT_FOUND the name was not found in the table

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_TimerGetInfo

Syntax:

int32 OS_TimerGetInfo (uint32 timer_id, OS_timer_prop_t *timer_prop);

Description:

This function takes timer_id, and looks it up in the OS table. It puts all of the information known about that timer into a structure pointer to by timer_prop.

Parameters:

timer_id: The id of the timer to look up.

timer_prop: A pointer to a structure to hold a timer's information
 That information includes:
 creator: the OS task ID of the task that created this timer
 name: the string name of the timer
 start_time: the start time in microseconds, if any
 interval_time: the interval time in microseconds, if any
 accuracy: the accuracy of the timer in microseconds

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if timer_prop pointer is NULL
OS_ERR_INVALID_ID if the ID given is not a valid timer
OS_SUCCESS if the info was copied over correctly

Restrictions:

None

2.6 Network API

OS_NetworkGetID

Syntax:

int32 OS_NetworkGetID(void);

Description:

Returns the network ID similar to the unix call “gethostid”.

Parameters:

none.

Returns:

OS_ERROR if the operating system calls fail

OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_NetworkGetHostName

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_NetworkGetHostName(char *host_name,  
                             uint32 name_len);
```

Description:

Returns the network name of the system.

Parameters:

none.

Returns:

OS_ERROR if the operating system calls fail
OS_INVALID_POINTER if the host_name pointer is NULL
OS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

3 File System API

3.1 Introduction

The File System API is a thin wrapper around a selection of POSIX file APIs. In addition the File System API presents a common directory structure and volume view regardless of the underlying system type. For example, vxWorks uses MS-DOS style volume names and directories. For example, a vxWorks RAM disk might have the volume “RAM:0”. With this File System API, volumes are represented as Unix-style paths where each volume is mounted on the root file system:

- RAM:0/file1.dat becomes /mnt/ram/file1.dat
- FL:0/file2.dat becomes /mnt/fl/file2.dat

This abstraction allows the applications to use the same paths regardless of the implementation and it also allows file systems to be simulated on a desktop system for testing. On a desktop Linux system, the file system abstraction can be set up to map virtual devices to a regular directory. This is accomplished through the **OS_mkfs** call, **OS_mount** call, and a BSP specific volume table that maps the virtual devices to real devices or underlying file systems.

In order to make this file system volume abstraction work, a “Volume Table” needs to be provided in the Board Support Package of the application. The table has the following fields:

- **Device Name:** This is the name of the virtual device that the Application uses. Common names are “ramdisk1”, “flash1”, or “volatile1” etc. But the name can be any unique string.
- **Physical Device Name:** This is an implementation specific field. For vxWorks it is not needed and can be left blank. For a File system based implementation, it is the “mount point” on the root file system where all of the volume will be mounted. A common place for this on Linux could be a user’s home directory, “/tmp”, or even the current working directory “.”. In the example of “/tmp” all of the directories created for the volumes would be under “/tmp” on the Linux file system. For a real disk device in Linux, such as a RAM disk, this field is the device name “/dev/ram0”.
- **Volume Type:** This field defines the type of volume. The types are: FS_BASED which uses the existing file system, RAM_DISK which uses a RAM_DISK device in vxWorks, RTEMS, or Linux, FLASH_DISK_FORMAT which uses a flash disk that is to be formatted before use, FLASH_DISK_INIT which uses a flash disk with an existing format that is just to be initialized before it’s use, EEPROM which is for an EEPROM or PROM based system.
- **Volatile Flag:** This flag indicates that the volume or disk is a volatile disk (RAM disk) or a non-volatile disk, that retains its contents when the system is rebooted. This should be set to TRUE or FALSE.

- **Free Flag:** This is an internal flag that should be set to FALSE or zero.
- **Is Mounted Flag:** This is an internal flag that should be set to FALSE or zero. Note that a “pre-mounted” FS_BASED path can be set up by setting this flag to one.
- **Volume Name:** This is an internal field and should be set to a space character “ ”.
- **Mount Point Field:** This is an internal field and should be set to a space character “ ”.
- **Block Size Field:** This is used to record the block size of the device and does not need to be set by the user.

Example Volume Tables:

1. A volume table for vxWorks with a RAM disk and a FLASH disk:

```
OS_VolumeInfo_t OS_VolumeTable [NUM_TABLE_ENTRIES] =
{
  {"/ramdev0", " ", RAM_DISK, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"/eeprom", " ", ATA_DISK, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"unused", "unused", FS_BASED, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"unused", "unused", FS_BASED, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 }
};
```

2. A volume table for Linux using the host disk to simulate the file systems:

```
OS_VolumeInfo_t OS_VolumeTable [NUM_TABLE_ENTRIES] =
{
  {"/ramdev0", "/tmp", FS_BASED, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"/eeprom", "/tmp", FS_BASED, FALSE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"unused", "unused", FS_BASED, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"unused", "unused", FS_BASED, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 }
};
```

3. A volume table for RTEMS, which has a RAM disk and a pre-mounted path to an existing directory:

```
OS_VolumeInfo_t OS_VolumeTable [NUM_TABLE_ENTRIES] =
{
  {"/ramdev0", "/dev/nvda", RAM_DISK, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 512 },
  {"/eeprom", "/eeprom", FS_BASED, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE, "CF", "/eeprom", 512 },
  {"unused", "unused", FS_BASED, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 },
  {"unused", "unused", FS_BASED, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, " ", " ", 0 }
};
```

Note that in the RTEMS case, the RAM disk is created using the RTEMS Non Volatile disk device (/dev/nvda). The OSAL currently uses the RTEMS Non Volatile disk as a RAM disk type. In the future the OSAL may support the regular RAM disk or both. The “pre-mounted” path in the second table entry is for an EEPROM drive. Since RTEMS has a Unix style root file system, the OSAL currently does not use virtual paths. The OSAL path is equivalent to the RTEMS path. In other words, the OSAL virtual path of “/eeprom/my-dir/file.dat” maps to “/eeprom/my-dir/file.dat” on the actual RTEMS file system.

Example Code to initialize the file systems in the generic Application code regardless of the implementation:

```
/*
** Init the Non-volatile device
*/
RetStatus = OS_mkfs(0, "/eedev0", "CF", 0, 0 );
if ( RetStatus != OS_SUCCESS )
{
    printf("Error Initializing Non-Volatile(FLASH) Volume\n");
}

RetStatus = OS_mount("/eedev0", "/cf");
if ( RetStatus != OS_SUCCESS )
{
    printf("Error Mounting Non-Volatile(FLASH) Volume\n");
}

/*
** Create the Volatile, or RAM disk device
*/
RetStatus = OS_mkfs(0, "/ramdev0", "RAM", 512, 2048 );
if ( RetStatus != OS_SUCCESS )
{
    printf("Error Initializing Volatile(RAM) Volume\n");
}

RetStatus = OS_mount("/ramdev0", "/ram");
if ( RetStatus != OS_SUCCESS )
{
    printf("Error Mounting Volatile(RAM) Volume\n");
}
```

3.2 File Descriptors in the OSAL

The OSAL uses abstracted file descriptors. This means that the file descriptors passed back from the OS_open and OS_creat calls will only work with other OSAL OS_* calls. The reasoning for this is as follows:

Because the OSAL now keeps track of all file descriptors, OSAL specific information can be associated with a specific file descriptor in an OS independent way. For instance, the path of the file that the file descriptor points to can be easily retrieved. Also, the OSAL task ID of the task that opened the file can also be retrieved easily. Both of these pieces of information are very useful when trying to determine statistics for a task, or the entire system. This information can all be retrieved with a single API, OS_FDGetInfo.

Realizing that we cannot provide all of the file system calls that everyone would need, we also provide the underlying OS's file descriptor for any valid OSAL file descriptor. This way, you can manipulate the underlying file descriptor as needed.

There are some small drawbacks with the OSAL file descriptors. Because the related information is kept in a table., there is a `#define` called `OS_MAX_NUM_OPEN_FILES` that defines the maximum number of file descriptors available. This is a configuration parameter, and can be changed to fit your needs.

Also, if you open or create a file *not* using the OSAL calls (`OS_open` or `OS_creat`) then none of the other `OS_*` calls that accept a file descriptor as a parameter will work (the results of doing so are undefined). Therefore, if you open a file with the underlying OS's open call, you must continue to use the OS's calls until you close the file descriptor. Be aware that by doing this your software may no longer be OS agnostic.

3.3 File API

OS_creat

Syntax:

int32 OS_creat (const char *path, int32 access);

Description:

Creates a file specified by const char *path, with read/write permissions by access. The file is also automatically opened by the OS_creat call.

Parameters:

path: The absolute pathname of the file to be created.

access: The access modes with which to open a file. Valid options include OS_WRITE_ONLY or OS_READ_WRITE.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if path is NULL

OS_FS_PATH_TOO_LONG if path exceeds the maximum number of chars

OS_FS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name of the file is too long

OS_FS_ERROR if permissions are unknown or OS call fails

OS_FS_ERR_NO_FREE_FDS if there are no free file descriptors left in the
OSAL's file descriptor table

A file descriptor if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_open

Syntax:

int32 OS_open (const char *path, int32 access, uint32 mode);

Description:

This function opens a file specified by path with permissions as granted by access. Mode is unused.

Parameters:

- path: The absolute pathname of the file to be opened.
- access: The access mode with which to open a file. Options include OS_READ_ONLY, OS_WRITE_ONLY or OS_READ_WRITE.
- mode: The file permissions. This parameter is passed through to the native open call, but will be ignored. The file mode (or permissions) are ignored by the POSIX open call when the O_CREAT access flag is not passed in.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if path is NULL
OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if path exceeds the max number of chars
OS_FS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name of the file is too long
OS_FS_ERROR if permissions are unknown or OS call fails
OS_FS_ERR_NO_FREE_FDS if there are no free file descriptors left in the OSAL's file descriptor table
A file descriptor if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_close

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_close ( int32 filedes);
```

Description:

This function will close the file pointed to by filedes.

Parameters:

filedes: A positive integer that points to an entry in a file descriptor table.
 It is used to refer to a file when it is open.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERROR if file descriptor could not be closed
OS_FS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_read

Syntax:

int32 OS_read (int32 filedes, void* buffer, uint32 nbytes);

Description:

This function will read nbytes bytes of the file described by filedes and put the read bytes into buffer.

Parameters:

filedes: A positive integer that points to an entry in a file descriptor table. It is used to refer to a file when it is open.

buffer: A pre-allocated section of memory used to store the read contents of the file

nbytes: The number of bytes to be read from the file

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if buffer is a null pointer

OS_FS_ERROR if OS call failed

The number of bytes read if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_write

Syntax:

int32 OS_write (int32 filedes, void* buffer, uint32 nbytes);

Description:

This function will read nbytes bytes of the file described by filedes and put the read bytes into buffer.

Parameters:

filedes: A positive integer that points to an entry in a file descriptor table. It is used to refer to a file when it is open.

buffer: A pre-allocated section of memory used to store the data to be written to the file

nbytes: The maximum number of bytes to copy to the file

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if buffer is NULL

OS_FS_ERROR if OS call failed

The number of bytes written if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_chmod

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_read (const char *path, uint32 access);
```

Description:

This function is unimplemented at this time.

Parameters:

*path	The name/path of the file
access	the access flags

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_UNIMPLEMENTED

Restrictions:

OS_stat

Syntax:

int32 OS_stat (const char *path, os_fstat_t *filestats);

Description:

This function will fill an os_fs_stat_t structure with information about the file specified by path.

Parameters:

path: The absolute path to the file to get information about.

filestats: a pointer to a os_fs_stat_t where the information will be stored.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if path or filestats is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the path is too long to be stored locally

OS_FS_ERROR id the OS call failed

OS_FS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_lseek

Syntax:

int32 OS_lseek (int32 filedes, int32 offset, uint32 whence);

Description:

This function will move the read/write pointer of a file to filedes to offset.

Parameters:

filedes: A positive integer that points to an entry in a file descriptor table. It is used to refer to a file when it is open.

offset: The number of bytes to offset the read/write pointer from its position pointed to by whence.

whence: Tells offset where to begin offsetting. Has three values:
OS SEEK SET – start at the beginning of the file
OS SEEK CUR – start at the current read/write pointer
OS SEEK END – start at the then of the file

Returns:

The new offset from the beginning of the file
OS_FS_ERROR if OS call failed

Restrictions:

None

OS_remove

Syntax:

int32 OS_remove (const char *path);

Description:

This function removes the file specified by path from the drive.

Parameters:

path: The absolute path to the file to be removed

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS if the driver returns OK

OS_FS_ERROR if there is no device or the driver returns error

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if path is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if path is too long to be stored locally

OS_FS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the name of the file to remove is too long
to be stored locally

Restrictions:

None

OS_rename

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_rename(const char *old, const char *new);
```

Description:

This function renames the specified file “old” to a new name “new”.

Parameters:

old: The absolute path to the file to be renamed.

new: The new absolute path of the file.

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS if the rename works

OS_FS_ERROR if the file could not be opened or renamed

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if old or new are NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the paths given are too long to be stored
locally

OS_FS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the new name is too long to be stored
locally

Restrictions:

Most operating systems will not support renaming a file across mounted volumes. To do this, use the OS_mv function.

OS_cp

Syntax:

int32 OS_cp(const char * src, const char *dest);

Description:

This function copies the specified file *src* to a new file *dest*.

Parameters:

src: The absolute path to the file to be copied.

dest: The new absolute path of the file.

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS if the copy works

OS_FS_ERROR if the file could not be copied.

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if *src* or *dest* are NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the paths given are too long to be stored
locally

OS_FS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the new name is too long to be stored
locally

Restrictions:

None

OS_mv

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_mv(const char * src, const char *dest);
```

Description:

This function moves the specified file *src* to a new file *dest*.

Parameters:

src: The absolute path to the file to be moved.

dest: The new absolute path of the file.

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS if the move works

OS_FS_ERROR if the file could not be moved

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if *src* or *dest* are NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the paths given are too long to be stored
locally

OS_FS_ERR_NAME_TOO_LONG if the new name is too long to be stored
locally

Restrictions:

None, but it should be noted that a move across volumes will result in a file copy and delete.

OS_ShellOutputToFile

Syntax:

int32 OS_ShellOutputToFile (char * Cmd, int32 OS_fd);

Description:

This function passes a command to the 'shell' of the underlying operating system. It directs the output from the command to the file specified by OS_fd.

Parameters:

char *Cmd:	The command to pass to the OS
int32 OS_fd:	This is the abstract file descriptor to which the output of the command is written.

Returns:

N/A.

Restrictions:

None

OS_FDGetInfo

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_TFDGetInfo (int32 filedes, OS_FDTableEntry *fd_prop);
```

Description:

This function takes a file descriptor, and looks it up in the OSAL's file descriptor table. It puts all of the information known about that file descriptor into a structure pointer to by fd_prop.

The OS_FDTableEntry structure contains the following information:

```
int32  OSfd;                /* The underlying OS's file descriptor */
char   Path [OS_MAX_PATH_LEN]; /* The absolute path to the open file */
uint32 User;                /* The task ID of the task that opened the file */
uint8  IsValid;             /* A flag showing if this FD is in use or not */
```

Parameters:

filedes: The OSAL's abstracted file descriptor to look up

task_prop: A pointer to a structure to hold a file descriptor's information

Returns:

OS_ERR_INVALID_FD if the files descriptor passed to it is invalid

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the fr_prop pointer is NULL

OS_FS_SUCCESS if it copied all of the relevant info over

Restrictions:

None

OS_FileOpenCheck

Syntax:

int32 OS_FileOpenCheck (char *Filename);

Description:

This function takes a filename and determines if the file is open. The function will return success if the file is open.

Parameters:

Filename The name of the file to check

Returns:

OS_INVALID_POINTER if the Filename pointer is NULL

OS_FS_SUCCESS if the file is open

OS_FS_ERROR if the file is not open

Restrictions:

This will only work with files opened through the OSAL.

OS_CloseAllFiles

Syntax:

int32 OS_CloseAllFiles (void);

Description:

This function closes all files that are open in the OSAL. These files must have been opened through the OSAL.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS if the close operations returned without error

OS_FS_ERROR if there was an error returned while closing any of the files

Restrictions:

This will only work on files opened through the OSAL.

OS_CloseFileByName

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_CloseFileByName ( char *Filename);
```

Description:

This function will close the file with the given filename.

Parameters:

Filename: A string that matches the name that was used to open
 The file in the OSAL OS_open call.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERROR if the file could not be closed
OS_FS_SUCCESS if the file was found and closed

Restrictions:

The file must be currently open through the OSAL and the path/filename string must match the name used when opening the file. For example: If the OS_open function was passed “/eeprom/dir1/myfile.dat”, this functions Filename string must match, it cannot be “myfile.dat”.

3.4 Directory API

OS_mkdir

Syntax:

int32 OS_mkdir (const char *path, uint32 access);

Description:

This function will create a directory specified by path.

Parameters:

path: The absolute pathname of the directory to be created.

access: unused.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if path is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the path is too long to be stored locally

OS_FS_ERROR if the OS call fails

OS_FS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_opendir

Syntax:

os_dirp_t OS_opendir(const char *path);

Description:

This function will open the specified directory for reading.

Parameters:

path: The absolute pathname of the directory to be opened for reading

Returns:

NULL if path is NULL, path is too long, OS call fails
a pointer to a directory if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_closedir

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_closedir( const char *path);
```

Description:

This function will close the specified directory.

Parameters:

path: The absolute pathname of the directory to be closed.

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS if success
OS_FS_ERROR if close failed

Restrictions:

None

OS_readdir

Syntax:

os_dirent_t* OS_readdir(os_dirp_t directory);

Description:

This function will return a pointer to a os_dirent_t structure which will hold all of the information about a directory.

Parameters:

directory: A directory descriptor pointer that was returned from a call to OS_opendir.

Returns:

A pointer to the next entry for success
NULL if error or end of directory is reached

Restrictions:

None

OS_rewinddir

Syntax:

```
void OS_rewinddir( os_dirp_t directory);
```

Description:

This function will reset the directory pointer to the beginning on the currently open directory.

Parameters:

directory: A directory descriptor pointer that was returned from a call to OS_opendir.

Returns:

N/A

Restrictions:

None

OS_rmdir

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_rmdir( const char *path);
```

Description:

This function will remove the specified directory from the file system.

Parameters:

path: The absolute pathname of the directory to be removed.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if path is NULL

OS_FS_ER_PATH_TOO_LONG

Restrictions:

None

3.5 Disk API

OS_mkfs

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_mkfs (char* address, char *devname, char *volname, uint32 blocksize,  
               uint32 numblocks);
```

Description:

This function will format a volume with a file system. This is highly dependent on the underlying OS and the support for formatting volumes from the OSAL in each OS. In addition, the actual file system format that happens depends on how the device is defined in the OS volume table. For example: in vxWorks, this function could format a DOS file system on vxWorks RAM disk. On RTEMS, this function could format an RFS file system on an RTEMS RAM disk. On Linux, this function may simply set up a path mapping between the “OSAL” path and the linux path.

Parameters:

address: The address at which to start the new disk. If address == 0, then space will be allocated by the OS.

devname: The name of the “generic” drive.

volname: The name of the volume – only used in VxWorks.

blocksize: The size of a single block on the drive.

numblocks: The amount of blocks to allocated for the drive.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if devname is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_DRIVE_NOT_CREATED if the OS calls to create the drive failed

OS_FS_ERR_DEVICE_NOT_FREE if the volume table is full

OS_FS_SUCCESS on creating the disk

Restrictions:

None

OS_rmfs

Syntax:

int32 OS_rmfs (char *devname);

Description:

This function will remove or un-map the target file system. Note that this is not the same as un-mounting the file system.

Parameters:

devname: The name of the “generic” drive.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if devname is NULL
OS_FS_ERROR if the devname cannot be found in the table
OS_FS_SUCCESS on removing the filesystem

Restrictions:

None

OS_initfs

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_initfs (char* address, char *devname, char *volname, uint32 blocksize,  
                uint32 numblocks);
```

Description:

This function will initialize (without reformatting) a drive on the target with without erasing the existing file system.

Parameters:

address: The address at which to start the new disk. If address == 0, then space will be allocated by the OS.

devname: The name of the “generic” drive.

volname: The name of the volume – only used in VxWorks.

blocksize: The size of a single block on the drive.

numblocks: The amount of blocks to allocated for the drive.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if devname is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the name is too long

OS_FS_ERR_DEVICE_NOT_FREE if the volume table is full

OS_FS_ERR_DRIVE_NOT_CREATED if the OS calls to create the drive failed

OS_FS_SUCCESS on creating the disk

Restrictions:

None

OS_mount

Syntax:

int32 OS_mount (const char *devname, char* mountpoint);

Description:

This function will mount a disk volume to the filesystem tree.

Parameters:

devname: The name of the drive to mount. devname is the same from OS_mkfs

mountpoint: The name to call this disk from now on.

Returns:

OS_FS_SUCCESS

OS_FS_ERROR

OS_FS_DRIVE_NOT_CREATED

Restrictions:

None

OS_unmount

Syntax:

int32 OS_unmount (const char *mountpoint);

Description:

This function will unmount a drive from the file system and make all open file descriptors useless.

Parameters:

mountpoint: The name of the drive to unmount.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if name is NULL

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the absolute path given is too long

OS_FS_ERROR if the OS calls failed

OS_FS_SUCCESS if success

Restrictions:

None

OS_GetPhysDriveName

Syntax:

int32 OS_GetPhysDriveName (char * PhysDriveName, char * MountPoint);

Description:

This function will return the name of the physical drive underlying the abstracted file system given the abstracted mount point of that drive.

Parameters:

PhysDriveName: The name of the physical drive is copied into this pointer

MountPoint: The mountpoint of the drive in the OS Abstraction Layer

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if either parameter is NULL

OS_FS_ERROR if the mount point was not found

OS_SUCCESS on getting the name of the drive

Restrictions:

None

OS_fsBlocksFree

Syntax:

int32 OS_fsBlocksFree (const char *name);

Description:

This function will return the number of blocks free in the file system.

Parameters:

name: The name of the drive to check for free blocks.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if name is NULL

OS_FS_ERROR if the OS call failed

OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the name is too long

The number of blocks free in a volume if success

Restrictions:

This function should work for vxWorks, Linux, and RTEMS RFS file systems. It will not work on the RTEMS DOS file systems.

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OS_fsBytesFree

Syntax:

int32 OS_fsBytesFree (const char *name, uint64 *bytes_free);

Description:

This function will return the number of bytes free in the file system.

Parameters:

name: The name of the drive to check for free blocks. This can also be the name of an existing file in that file system.

bytes_free: The number of bytes available in the file system. This will be filled out by the function.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if name or bytes_free is NULL
OS_FS_ERR_PATH_TOO_LONG if the name is too long
OS_FS_ERROR if the underlying OS call failed
OS_FS_SUCCESS if the call completed successfully

Restrictions:

This function should work for vxWorks, Linux, and RTEMS RFS file systems. It will not work on the RTEMS DOS file systems.

OS_chkfs

Syntax:

os_fshealth_t OS_chkfs (const char *name, boolean repair);

Description:

This function will check the file system integrity, and may or may not repair it, depending on repair.

Parameters:

name: The name of the drive to check integrity.

Returns:

OS_FS_ERR_INVALID_POINTER if name is NULL

OS_FS_SUCCESS if success

OS_FS_ERROR if the OS calls fail

Restrictions:

Note: Currently this function only works in VxWorks.

4 Interrupt/Exception API

4.1 System Interrupt API

Notes:

The following API definitions use the 'Interrupt Number' parameter. The Abstraction Layer will translate this value to a vector number or to a Mask number – all depends on the specific architecture.

The IntDisable/Enable functions are a good way of abstracting the architecture, but the mask/unmask functions may still be needed. They can be removed if not needed.

The Exception functions may not be supported on all architectures. Some processors do not have the ability to enable or disable processor exceptions.

OS_IntAttachHandler

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_IntAttachHandler ( uint32 InterruptNumber, void * InerruptHandler ,  
                           int32 parameter ) ;
```

Description:

The call associates a specified C routine to a specified interrupt number. Upon occurring of the InterruptNumber , the InerruptHandler routine will be called and passed the *parameter*.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Interrupt Number that will cause the start of the ISR

InerruptHandler: The ISR associated with this interrupt

parameter: The parameter that is passed to the ISR

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS

OS_INVALID_INT_NUM -- Note: This return code is only valid in RTEMS.

OS_INVALID_POINTER

OS_ERROR

Restrictions:

The attached routine must not invoke certain OS system functions that may block. This function is unimplemented in POSIX/Linux.

OS_IntEnable

Syntax:

int32 OS_IntEnable (int32 Ilevel) ;

Description:

Enable the corresponding interrupt number.

Parameters :

IntLevel: The Interrupt Number to be enabled
 ENABLE_ALL_INTR (-1)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS
OS_INVALID_INT_NUM
OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None

OS_IntDisable

Syntax:

int32 OS_IntDisable (int32 Level) ;

Description:

Disable the corresponding interrupt number.

Parameters:

Level: The Interrupt Number to be disabled
 DISABLE_ALL_INTR (-1)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS
OS_INVALID_INT_NUM
OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None

OS_IntLock

Syntax:

int32 OS_IntLock (void) ;

Description:

Locks out all interrupts.

Parameters:

None

Returns:

Previous state of interrupt locking before OS_IntLock was called

Restrictions:

None

OS_IntUnlock

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_IntUnlock (int32 IntLevel) ;
```

Description:

Enables previous state of interrupts

Parameters:

IntLevel: The level of interrupts to restore. This is usually what is returned from OS_IntLock

Returns:

Previous state of interrupt locking before OS_IntLock was called

Restrictions:

None

OS_IntAck

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_IntAck ( int32 InterruptNumber ) ;
```

Description:

Acknowledge the corresponding interrupt number.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Interrupt Number to be Acknowledged.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS

OS_INVALID_INT_NUM

OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None

4.2 System Exception API

OS_ExcAttachHandler

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_ExcAttachHandler ( uint32 ExceptionNumber, void * ExceptionHandler ,  
                           int32 parameter ) ;
```

Description:

The call associates a specified C routine to a specified exception number. Upon occurring of Exception Number , the ExceptionHandler routine will be called and passed the *parameter*.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Exception Number that triggers the call.

InerruptHandler: The handler for this exception

parameter: The parameter that is passed to the Exception handler.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS

OS_INVALID_EXC_NUM

OS_INVALID_POINTER

OS_ERROR

Restrictions:

The attached routine must not invoke certain OS system functions that may block.

OS_ExcEnable

Syntax:

int32 OS_ExcEnable (int32 ExceptionNumber) ;

Description:

Enable/unmask the corresponding exception number.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Exception Number to be enabled
 ENABLE_ALL_EXC (-1)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS
OS_INVALID_EXC_NUM
OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None

OS_ExcDisable

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_ExcDisable ( int32 ExceptionNumber ) ;
```

Description:

Disable/mask the corresponding exception number.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Exception Number to be disabled
 DISABLE_ALL_EXC (-1)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS
OS_INVALID_EXC_NUM
OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None

4.3 System FPU Exception API

OS_FPUExcAttachHandler

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_FPUExcAttachHandler ( uint32 ExceptionNumber, void * ExceptionHandler,  
                               int32 parameter ) ;
```

Description:

The call associates a specified C routine to a specified FPU exception number. When the specified FPU Exception occurs , the ExceptionHandler routine will be called and passed the *parameter*.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Exception Number that triggers the call.

InterruptHandler: The handler for this exception

parameter: The parameter that is passed to the Exception handler.

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS

OS_INVALID_EXC_NUM

OS_INVALID_POINTER

OS_ERROR

Restrictions:

The attached routine must not invoke certain OS system functions that may block.

OS_FPUExcEnable

Syntax:

int32 OS_FPUExcEnable (int32 ExceptionNumber) ;

Description:

Enable/unmask the corresponding exception number.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Exception Number to be enabled
 ENABLE_ALL_EXC (-1)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS
OS_INVALID_EXC_NUM
OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None

OS_FPUExcDisable

Syntax:

```
int32 OS_FPUExcDisable ( int32 ExceptionNumber ) ;
```

Description:

Disable/mask the corresponding exception number.

Parameters:

InterruptNumber: The Exception Number to be disabled
 DISABLE_ALL_EXC (-1)

Returns:

OS_SUCCESS
OS_INVALID_EXC_NUM
OS_ERROR other errors

Restrictions:

None