

**NAME**

pthread\_getattr\_default\_np, pthread\_setattr\_default\_np, – get or set default thread-creation attributes

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#define _GNU_SOURCE      /* See feature_test_macros(7) */
#include <pthread.h>
```

```
int pthread_getattr_default_np(pthread_attr_t *attr);
int pthread_setattr_default_np(pthread_attr_t *attr);
```

Compile and link with *-pthread*.

**DESCRIPTION**

The **pthread\_setattr\_default\_np()** function sets the default attributes used for creation of a new thread—that is, the attributes that are used when **pthread\_create(3)** is called with a second argument that is **NULL**. The default attributes are set using the attributes supplied in *\*attr*, a previously initialized thread attributes object. Note the following details about the supplied attributes object:

- \* The attribute settings in the object must be valid.
- \* The *stack address* attribute must not be set in the object.
- \* Setting the *stack size* attribute to zero means leave the default stack size unchanged.

The **pthread\_getattr\_default\_np()** function initializes the thread attributes object referred to by *attr* so that it contains the default attributes used for thread creation.

**ERRORS****EINVAL**

(**pthread\_setattr\_default\_np()**) One of the attribute settings in *attr* is invalid, or the stack address attribute is set in *attr*.

**ENOMEM**

(**pthread\_setattr\_default\_np()**) Insufficient memory.

**VERSIONS**

These functions are available in glibc since version 2.18.

**ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see **attributes(7)**.

Interface	Attribute	Value
<b>pthread_getattr_default_np()</b> , <b>pthread_setattr_default_np()</b>	Thread safety	MT-Safe

**CONFORMING TO**

These functions are nonstandard GNU extensions; hence the suffix "\_np" (nonportable) in their names.

**EXAMPLE**

The program below uses **pthread\_getattr\_default\_np()** to fetch the default thread-creation attributes and then displays various settings from the returned thread attributes object. When running the program, we see the following output:

```
$ ./a.out
Stack size:      8388608
Guard size:     4096
Scheduling policy: SCHED_OTHER
Scheduling priority: 0
Detach state:    JOINABLE
Inherit scheduler: INHERIT
```

**Program source**

```
#define _GNU_SOURCE
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#include <pthread.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <errno.h>

#define errExitEN(en, msg) \
    do { errno = en; perror(msg); \
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE); } while (0)

static void
display_pthread_attr(pthread_attr_t *attr)
{
    int s;
    size_t stacksize;
    size_t guardsize;
    int policy;
    struct sched_param schedparam;
    int detachstate;
    int inheritsched;

    s = pthread_attr_getstacksize(attr, &stacksize);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_attr_getstacksize");
    printf("Stack size:           %zd\n", stacksize);

    s = pthread_attr_getguardsize(attr, &guardsize);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_attr_getguardsize");
    printf("Guard size:             %zd\n", guardsize);

    s = pthread_attr_getschedpolicy(attr, &policy);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_attr_getschedpolicy");
    printf("Scheduling policy:   %s\n",
        (policy == SCHED_FIFO) ? "SCHED_FIFO" :
        (policy == SCHED_RR) ? "SCHED_RR" :
        (policy == SCHED_OTHER) ? "SCHED_OTHER" : "[unknown]");

    s = pthread_attr_getschedparam(attr, &schedparam);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_attr_getschedparam");
    printf("Scheduling priority: %d\n", schedparam.sched_priority);

    s = pthread_attr_getdetachstate(attr, &detachstate);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_attr_getdetachstate");
    printf("Detach state:       %s\n",
        (detachstate == PTHREAD_CREATE_DETACHED) ? "DETACHED" :
        (detachstate == PTHREAD_CREATE_JOINABLE) ? "JOINABLE" :
        "???");

    s = pthread_attr_getinheritsched(attr, &inheritsched);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_attr_getinheritsched");

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        printf("Inherit scheduler:  %s\n",
               (inheritsched == PTHREAD_INHERIT_SCHED) ? "INHERIT" :
               (inheritsched == PTHREAD_EXPLICIT_SCHED) ? "EXPLICIT" :
               "???");
    }

int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int s;
    pthread_attr_t attr;

    s = pthread_getattr_default_np(&attr);
    if (s != 0)
        errExitEN(s, "pthread_getattr_default_np");

    display_pthread_attr(&attr);

    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}

```

**SEE ALSO**

**pthread\_attr\_getaffinity\_np(3), pthread\_attr\_getdetachstate(3), pthread\_attr\_getguardsize(3), pthread\_attr\_getinheritsched(3), pthread\_attr\_getschedparam(3), pthread\_attr\_getschedpolicy(3), pthread\_attr\_getscope(3), pthread\_attr\_getstack(3), pthread\_attr\_getstackaddr(3), pthread\_attr\_getstacksize(3), pthread\_attr\_init(3), pthread\_create(3), pthreads(7)**

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