Chapter 16

μC/OS-II Reference Manual

This chapter provides a reference to μ C/OS-II services. Each of the user-accessible kernel services is presented in alphabetical order. The following information is provided for each of the services:

- A brief description
- The function prototype
- The filename of the source code
- The #define constant needed to enable the code for the service
- A description of the arguments passed to the function
- A description of the returned value(s)
- Specific notes and warnings on using the service
- One or two examples of how to use the function

OS_ENTER_CRITICAL() OS_EXIT_CRITICAL()

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CPU.H	Task or ISR	N/A

OS_ENTER_CRITICAL() and OS_EXIT_CRITICAL() are macros used to disable and enable, respectively, the processor's interrupts.

Arguments

none

Returned Values

none

Notes/Warnings

- 1. These macros must be used in pairs.
- 2. If OS_CRITICAL_METHOD is set to 3, your code is assumed to have allocated local storage for a variable of type OS_CPU_SR, which is called cpu_sr, as follows

OSEventNameGet()

INT8U OSEventNameGet(OS_EVENT *pevent, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_CORE.C	Task or ISR	OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE

OSEventNameGet() allows you to obtain the name that you assigned to a semaphore, a mutex, a mailbox or a message queue. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a resource.

Arguments

pevent	mailbox or a queue. Where pointer is returned to your appl	ol block. pevent can point either to a semaphore, a mutex, a this function is concerned, the actual type is irrelevant. This ication when the semaphore, mutex, mailbox or queue is created excreate(), OSMboxCreate() and OSQCreate()).	
pname	is a pointer to an ASCII string that will receive the name of the semaphore, mutex, mailbox or queue. The string must be able to hold at least OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL character).		
err	a pointer to an error code and c	an be any of the following:	
	OS_NO_ERR	If the name of the semaphore, mutex, mailbox or queue was copied to the array pointed to by pname.	
	OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE	You are not pointing to either a semaphore, mutex, mailbox or message queue.	

You passed a NULL pointer for pevent.

Returned Values

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL

The size of the ASCII string placed in the array pointed to by pname or 0 if an error is encountered.

Notes/Warnings

1. The semaphore, mutex, mailbox or message queue must be created before you can use this function and obtain the name of the resource.

OSEventNameSet()

void OSEventNameSet(OS_EVENT *pevent, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_CORE.C	Task or ISR	OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE

OSEventNameSet() allows you to assign a name to a semaphore, a mutex, a mailbox or a message queue. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a resource.

Arguments

pevent

is a pointer to the event control block that you want to name. pevent can point either to a semaphore, a mutex, a mailbox or a queue. Where this function is concerned, the actual type is irrelevant. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore, mutex, mailbox or queue is created (see OSSemCreate(), OSMutexCreate(), OSMboxCreate() and OSQCreate()).

pname

is a pointer to an ASCII string that contains the name for the resource. The size of the string must be smaller than or equal to OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL character).

err

a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

OS_NO_ERR If the name of the semaphore, mutex, mailbox or queue was

copied to the array pointed to by pname.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to either a semaphore, mutex, mailbox or

message queue.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL You passed a NULL pointer for pevent.

Returned Values

none

Notes/Warnings

1. The semaphore, mutex, mailbox or message queue must be created before you can use this function and set the name of the resource.

```
OS_EVENT *PrinterSem;

void Task (void *pdata)
{
    INT8U err;

    pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        OSEventNameSet(PrinterSem, "Printer #1", &err);
        .
        .
     }
}
```

OSFlagAccept()

OS_FLAGS OSFlagAccept(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp, OS_FLAGS flags, INT8U wait_type,
INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
9	OS_FLAG.C	Task	OS_FLAG_EN && OS_FLAG_ACCEPT_EN

OSFlagAccept() allows you to check the status of a combination of bits to be either set or cleared in an event flag group. Your application can check for **any** bit to be set/cleared or **all** bits to be set/cleared. This function behaves exactly as OSFlagPend() does, except that the caller does NOT block if the desired event flags are not present.

Arguments

is a pointer to the event flag group. This pointer is returned to your application when the event

flag group is created [see OSFlagCreate()].

flags is a bit pattern indicating which bit(s) (i.e., flags) you wish to check. The bits you want are

specified by setting the corresponding bits in flags.

wait_type specifies whether you want **all** bits to be set/cleared or **any** of the bits to be set/cleared. You

can specify the following arguments:

 $\hbox{\tt OS_FLAG_WAIT_CLR_ALL} \qquad \hbox{\tt You check all bits in flags to be clear (0)}$

OS_FLAG_WAIT_CLR_ANY You check **any** bit in flags to be clear (0)

OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ALL You check all bits in flags to be set (1)

OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ANY You check any bit in flags to be set (1)

You can add $OS_FLAG_CONSUME$ if you want the event flag(s) to be consumed by the call. For example, to wait for any flag in a group and then clear the flags

that are present, set wait_type to

OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ANY + OS_FLAG_CONSUME

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

OS_NO_ERR No error

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to an event flag group

OS_FLAG_ERR_WAIT_TYPE You didn't specify a proper wait_type argument.

OS_FLAG_INVALID_PGRP You passed a NULL pointer instead of the event flag handle.

OS_FLAG_ERR_NOT_RDY The desired flags for which you are waiting are not available.

Returned Values

The flag(s) that cause the task to be ready or, 0 if either none of the flags are ready or an error occurred.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. The event flag group must be created before it is used.
- 2. This function does **not** block if the desired flags are not present.

IMPORTANT

The return value of OSFlagAccept() is different as of V2.70. In previous versions, OSFlagAccept() returned the current state of the flags and now, it returns the flag(s) that are ready, if any.

```
#define
         ENGINE_OIL_PRES_OK
                              0x01
#define ENGINE_OIL_TEMP_OK
                              0x02
#define ENGINE_START
                              0x04
OS_FLAG_GRP *EngineStatus;
void Task (void *pdata)
    INT8U
              err;
    OS_FLAGS value;
    pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        value = OSFlagAccept(EngineStatus,
                             ENGINE_OIL_PRES_OK + ENGINE_OIL_TEMP_OK,
                             OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ALL,
                             &err);
        switch (err) {
            case OS_NO_ERR:
                 /* Desired flags are available */
                 break;
            case OS_FLAG_ERR_NOT_RDY:
                 /* The desired flags are NOT available */
                 break;
```

OSFlagCreate()

OS_FLAG_GRP *OSFlagCreate(OS_FLAGS flags, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
9	OS_FLAG.C	Task or startup code	OS_FLAG_EN

OSFlagCreate() is used to create and initialize an event flag group.

Arguments

flags contains the initial value to store in the event flag group.

is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the event flag group has been

created.

OS_ERR_CREATE_ISR if you attempt to create an event flag group from an ISR.

OS_FLAG_GRP_DEPLETED if no more event flag groups are available. You need to

increase the value of OS_MAX_FLAGS in OS_CFG.H.

Returned Values

A pointer to the event flag group if a free event flag group is available. If no event flag group is available, OSFlagCreate() returns a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Event flag groups must be created by this function before they can be used by the other services.

OSFlagDel()

OS_FLAG_GRP *OSFlagDel(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp, INT8U opt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
9	OS_FLAG. C	Task	OS_FLAG_EN and OS_FLAG_DEL_EN

OSFlagDel() is used to delete an event flag group. This function is dangerous to use because multiple tasks could be relying on the presence of the event flag group. You should always use this function with great care. Generally speaking, before you delete an event flag group, you must first delete all the tasks that access the event flag group.

Arguments

pgrp	1	s a pointer to the event flag group. This pointer is returned to your application when the event flag group is created [see OSFlagCreate()].		
opt	specifies whether you want to delete the event flag group only if there are no pending tasks (OS_DEL_NO_PEND) or whether you always want to delete the event flag group regardless of whether tasks are pending or not (OS_DEL_ALWAYS). In this case, all pending task are readied.			
err	is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of following:			
	OS_NO_ERR	if the call is successful and the event flag group has been deleted.		
	OS_ERR_DEL_ISR	if you attempt to delete an event flag group from an ISR.		
	OS_FLAG_INVALID_PGRP	if you pass a NULL pointer in pgrp.		
	OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE	if pgrp is not pointing to an event flag group.		
	OS_ERR_INVALID_OPT	if you do not specify one of the two options mentioned in the opt argument.		
	OS_ERR_TASK_WAITING	if one or more task are waiting on the event flag group and you specify OS_DEL_NO_PEND.		

Returned Values

A NULL pointer if the event flag group is deleted or pgrp if the event flag group is not deleted. In the latter case, you need to examine the error code to determine the reason for the error.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. You should use this call with care because other tasks might expect the presence of the event flag group.
- 2. This call can potentially disable interrupts for a long time. The interrupt-disable time is directly proportional to the number of tasks waiting on the event flag group.

OSFlagNameGet()

INT8U OSFlagNameGet(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_FLAG.C	Task or ISR	OS_FLAG_NAME_SIZE

OSFlagNameGet() allows you to obtain the name that you assigned to an event flag group. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_FLAG_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a resource.

Arguments

pgrp is a pointer to the event flag group.

pname is a pointer to an ASCII string that will receive the name of the event flag group. The string

must be able to hold at least OS_FLAG_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL character).

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

OS_NO_ERR If the name of the semaphore, mutex, mailbox or queue was

copied to the array pointed to by pname.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to either a semaphore, mutex, mailbox or

message queue.

OS_ERR_INVALID_PGRP You passed a NULL pointer for pgrp.

Returned Values

The size of the ASCII string placed in the array pointed to by pname or 0 if an error is encountered.

Notes/Warnings

1. The event flag group must be created before you can use this function and obtain the name of the resource.

OSFlagNameSet()

void OSFlagNameSet(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by	
New in V2.60	OS_FLAG.C	Task or ISR	OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE	

OSFlagNameSet() allows you to assign a name to an event flag group. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_FLAG_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a resource.

Arguments

pgrp is a pointer to the event flag group that you want to name. This pointer is returned to your

application when the event flag group is created (see OSFlagCreate()).

pname is a pointer to an ASCII string that contains the name for the resource. The size of the string

must be smaller than or equal to OS_EVENT_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL

character).

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

OS_NO_ERR If the name of the event flag group was copied to the array

pointed to by pname.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to an event flag group.

OS_ERR_INVALID_PGRP You passed a NULL pointer for pgrp.

Returned Values

none

Notes/Warnings

1. The event flag group must be created before you can use this function to set the name of the resource.

```
OS_FLAG_GRP *EngineStatus;

void Task (void *pdata)
{
    INT8U err;

    pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        OSFlagNameSet(EngineStatus, "Engine Status Flags", &err);
        .
        .
        .
     }
}
```

OSFlagPend()

OS_FLAGS OSFlagPend(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp,

OS_FLAGS flags,
INT8U wait_type,
INT16U timeout,
INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
9	OS_FLAG.C	Task only	OS_FLAG_EN

OSFlagPend() is used to have a task wait for a combination of conditions (i.e., events or bits) to be set (or cleared) in an event flag group. You application can wait for **any** condition to be set or cleared or for **all** conditions to be set or cleared. If the events that the calling task desires are not available, then the calling task is blocked until the desired conditions are satisfied or the specified timeout expires.

Arguments

is a pointer to the event flag group. This pointer is returned to your application when the event

flag group is created [see OSFlagCreate()].

flags is a bit pattern indicating which bit(s) (i.e., flags) you wish to check. The bits you want are

specified by setting the corresponding bits in flags.

wait_type specifies whether you want **all** bits to be set/cleared or **any** of the bits to be set/cleared. You

can specify the following arguments:

 $\hbox{\tt OS_FLAG_WAIT_CLR_ALL} \qquad \hbox{\tt You check all bits in flags to be clear (0)}$

OS_FLAG_WAIT_CLR_ANY You check any bit in flags to be clear (0)

OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ALL You check **all** bits in flags to be set (1)

OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ANY You check **any** bit in flags to be set (1)

You can also specify whether the flags are consumed by adding OS_FLAG_CONSUME to the wait_type. For example, to wait for **any** flag in a group and then **clear** the flags that satisfy the condition, set wait_type to

OS FLAG WAIT SET ANY + OS FLAG CONSUME

timeout allows the task to resume execution if the desired flag(s) is(are) not received from the event

flag group within the specified number of clock ticks. A timeout value of 0 indicates that the task wants to wait forever for the flag(s). The maximum timeout is 65,535 clock ticks. The timeout value is not synchronized with the clock tick. The timeout count begins decrementing

on the next clock tick, which could potentially occur immediately.

err is a pointer to an error code and can be:

OS_NO_ERR No error.

OS_ERR_PEND_ISR You try to call OSFlagPend from an ISR, which is not

allowed.

OS_FLAG_INVALID_PGRP You pass a NULL pointer instead of the event flag handle.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to an event flag group.

OS_TIMEOUT The flags are not available within the specified amount of time.

OS_FLAG_ERR_WAIT_TYPE You don't specify a proper wait_type argument.

Returned Values

The flag(s) that cause the task to be ready or, 0 if either none of the flags are ready or an error occurred.

Notes/Warnings

1. The event flag group must be created before it's used.

IMPORTANT

The return value of OSFlagPend() is different as of V2.70. In previous versions, OSFlagPend() returned the current state of the flags and now, it returns the flag(s) that are ready, if any.

```
#define ENGINE_OIL_PRES_OK
                              0x01
#define ENGINE_OIL_TEMP_OK
                              0x02
#define ENGINE_START
                              0 \times 04
OS_FLAG_GRP *EngineStatus;
void Task (void *pdata)
    INT8U
            err;
    OS_FLAGS value;
    pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        value = OSFlagPend(EngineStatus,
                           ENGINE_OIL_PRES_OK + ENGINE_OIL_TEMP_OK,
                           OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ALL + OS_FLAG_CONSUME,
                           10,
                           &err);
        switch (err) {
            case OS_NO_ERR:
              /* Desired flags are available */
                 break;
            case OS_TIMEOUT:
              /* The desired flags were NOT available before 10 ticks
occurred */
                 break;
```

OSFlagPendGetFlagsRdy()

OS_FLAGS OSFlagPendGetFlagsRdy(void)

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
Added in V2.60	OS_FLAG.C	Task only	OS_FLAG_EN

 ${\tt OSFlagPendGetFlagsRdy()}\ is\ used\ to\ obtain\ the\ flags\ that\ caused\ the\ current\ task\ to\ become\ ready\ to\ run.$ In other words, this function allows you to know "Who done It!"

Arguments

None

Returned Value

The value of the flags that caused the current task to become ready to run.

Notes/Warnings

1. The event flag group must be created before it's used.

```
#define ENGINE_OIL_PRES_OK
                              0x01
#define ENGINE_OIL_TEMP_OK
                             0x02
#define ENGINE_START
                              0x04
OS_FLAG_GRP *EngineStatus;
void Task (void *pdata)
    INT8U
            err;
    OS_FLAGS value;
   pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        value = OSFlagPend(EngineStatus,
                           ENGINE_OIL_PRES_OK + ENGINE_OIL_TEMP_OK,
                          OS_FLAG_WAIT_SET_ALL + OS_FLAG_CONSUME,
                          10,
                          &err);
        switch (err) {
           case OS_NO_ERR:
                flags = OSFlagPendGetFlagsRdy();  /* Find out who made
task ready */
                break;
           case OS_TIMEOUT:
                 /* The desired flags were NOT available before 10 ticks
occurred */
                break;
```

OSFlagPost()

OS_FLAGS OSFlagPost(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp, OS_FLAGS flags, INT8U opt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
9	OS_FLAG.C	Task or ISR	OS_FLAG_EN

You set or clear event flag bits by calling OSFlagPost(). The bits set or cleared are specified in a *bit mask*. OSFlagPost() readies each task that has its desired bits satisfied by this call. You can set or clear bits that are already set or cleared.

Arguments

is a pointer to the event flag group. This pointer is returned to your application when the event

flag group is created [see OSFlagCreate()].

specifies which bits you want set or cleared. If opt is OS_FLAG_SET, each bit that is set in

flags sets the corresponding bit in the event flag group. For example to set bits 0, 4, and 5, you set flags to 0x31 (note, bit 0 is the least significant bit). If opt is OS_FLAG_CLR, each bit that is set in flags will **clears** the corresponding bit in the event flag group. For example to

clear bits 0, 4, and 5, you specify flags as 0x31 (note, bit 0 is the least significant bit).

opt indicates whether the flags are set (OS_FLAG_SET) or cleared (OS_FLAG_CLR).

err is a pointer to an error code and can be:

OS_NO_ERR The call is successful.

OS_FLAG_INVALID_PGRP You pass a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to an event flag group.

OS_FLAG_INVALID_OPT You specify an invalid option.

Returned Value

The new value of the event flags.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Event flag groups must be created before they are used.
- The execution time of this function depends on the number of tasks waiting on the event flag group. However, the execution time is deterministic.
- 3. The amount of time interrupts are **disabled** also depends on the number of tasks waiting on the event flag group.

OSFlagQuery()

OS_FLAGS OSFlagQuery(OS_FLAG_GRP *pgrp, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
9	OS_FLAG.C	Task or ISR	OS_FLAG_EN && OS_FLAG_QUERY_EN

OSFlagQuery() is used to obtain the current value of the event flags in a group. At this time, this function does **not** return the list of tasks waiting for the event flag group.

Arguments

is a pointer to the event flag group. This pointer is returned to your application when the event

flag group is created [see OSFlagCreate()].

err is a pointer to an error code and can be:

OS_NO_ERR The call is successful.

OS_FLAG_INVALID_PGRP You pass a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE You are not pointing to an event flag groups.

Returned Value

The state of the flags in the event flag group.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. The event flag group to query must be created.
- 2. You can call this function from an ISR.

```
OS_FLAG_GRP *EngineStatusFlags;

void Task (void *pdata)
{
    OS_FLAGS flags;
    INT8U err;

    pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        .
        .
        flags = OSFlagQuery(EngineStatusFlags, &err);
        .
        .
     }
}
```

OSInit()

void OSInit(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	Startup code only	N/A

 ${\tt OSInit()}$ initializes ${\tt C/OS-II}$ and must be called prior to calling ${\tt OSStart()},$ which actually starts multitasking.

Arguments

none

Returned Values

none

Notes/Warnings

OSInit() must be called before OSStart().

```
void main (void)
{
    .
    .
    OSInit();    /* Initialize μC/OS-II */
    .
    .
    OSStart();    /* Start Multitasking */
}
```

OSIntEnter()

void OSIntEnter(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	ISR only	N/A

OSIntEnter() notifies _C/OS-II that an ISR is being processed, which allows μ C/OS-II to keep track of interrupt nesting. OSIntEnter() is used in conjunction with OSIntExit().

Arguments

none

Returned Values

none

Notes/Warnings

- 1. This function must not be called by task-level code.
- 2. You can increment the interrupt-nesting counter (OSIntNesting) directly in your ISR to avoid the overhead of the function call/return. It's safe to increment OSIntNesting in your ISR because interrupts are assumed to be disabled when OSIntNesting needs to be incremented.
- 3. You are allowed to nest interrupts up to 255 levels deep.

Example 1

(Intel 80x86, real mode, large model)

Use OSIntEnter() for backward compatibility with $\mu C/OS$.

```
ISRx PROC
            FAR
     PUSHA
                                     ; Save interrupted task's context
    PUSH
            ES
    PUSH
           DS
    CALL
           FAR PTR _OSIntEnter ; Notify \muC/OS-II of start of ISR
    POP
            DS
                                     ; Restore processor registers
    POP
            ES
    POPA
     IRET
                                     ; Return from interrupt
ISRX ENDP
```

Example 2 (Intel 80x86, real mode, large model)

```
ISRx
            PROC
                    FAR
            PUSHA
                                              ; Save interrupted task's
context
                    ES
            PUSH
             PUSH
            MOV
                    AX, SEG(_OSIntNesting) ; Reload DS
             MOV
                    DS, AX
                    BYTE PTR _OSIntNesting % \left( 1\right) =1 ; Notify \mu C/OS-II of start of
             INC
ISR
             POP
                    DS
                                              ; Restore processor registers
             POP
                    ES
             POPA
             IRET
                                              ; Return from interrupt
            ENDP
    ISRx
```

OSIntExit()

void OSIntExit(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	ISR only	N/A

OSIntExit() notifies μ C/OS-II that an ISR is complete, which allows μ C/OS-II to keep track of interrupt nesting. OSIntExit() is used in conjunction with OSIntEnter(). When the last nested interrupt completes, OSIntExit() determines if a higher priority task is ready to run, in which case, the interrupt returns to the higher priority task instead of the interrupted task.

Arguments

none

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

1. This function must not be called by task-level code. Also, if you decided to increment OSIntNesting, you still need to call OSIntExit().

Example

(Intel 80x86, real mode, large model)

```
ISRx
        PROC
                 FAR
        PUSHA
                                      ; Save processor registers
        PUSH
                 ES
        PUSH
                 DS
                 FAR PTR _OSIntExit ; Notify \mu\text{C/OS-II} of end of ISR
        CALL
        POP
                 DS
                                      ; Restore processor registers
                 ES
        POP
        POPA
        IRET
                                      ; Return to interrupted task
ISRx
        ENDP
```

OSMboxAccept()

void *OSMboxAccept(OS_EVENT *pevent);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task or ISR	OS_MBOX_EN && OS_MBOX_ACCEPT_EN

OSMboxAccept() allows you to see if a message is available from the desired mailbox. Unlike OSMboxPend(), OSMboxAccept() does not suspend the calling task if a message is not available. In other words, OSMboxAccept() is non-blocking. If a message is available, the message is returned to your application, and the content of the mailbox is cleared. This call is typically used by ISRs because an ISR is not allowed to wait for a message at a mailbox.

Arguments

pevent

is a pointer to the mailbox from which the message is received. This pointer is returned to your application when the mailbox is created [see OSMboxCreate()].

Returned Value

A pointer to the message if one is available; NULL if the mailbox does not contain a message.

Notes/Warnings

1. Mailboxes must be created before they are used.

OSMboxCreate()

OS_EVENT *OSMboxCreate(void *msg);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task or startup code	OS_MBOX_EN

OSMboxCreate() creates and initializes a mailbox. A mailbox allows tasks or ISRs to send a pointer-sized variable (message) to one or more tasks.

Arguments

msg

is used to initialize the contents of the mailbox. The mailbox is empty when msg is a NULL pointer. The mailbox initially contains a message when msg is non-NULL.

Returned Value

A pointer to the event control block allocated to the mailbox. If no event control block is available, OSMboxCreate() returns a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Mailboxes must be created before they are used.

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OSMboxDel()

OS_EVENT *OSMboxDel(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT8U opt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task	OS_MBOX_EN and
			OS_MBOX_DEL_EN

OSMboxDel() is used to delete a message mailbox. This function is dangerous to use because multiple tasks could attempt to access a deleted mailbox. You should always use this function with great care. Generally speaking, before you delete a mailbox, you must first delete all the tasks that can access the mailbox.

Arguments

pevent	is a pointer to the mailbox. This pointer is returned to your application when the mailbox is created [see $OSMboxCreate()$].		
opt	specifies whether you want to delete the mailbox only if there are no pending tasks (OS_DEL_NO_PEND) or whether you always want to delete the mailbox regardless of whether tasks are pending or not (OS_DEL_ALWAYS). In this case, all pending task are readied.		
err	is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of following:		
	OS_NO_ERR	if the call is successful and the mailbox has been deleted.	
	OS_ERR_DEL_ISR	if you attempt to delete the mailbox from an ISR.	
	OS_ERR_INVALID_OPT	if you don't specify one of the two options mentioned in the opt argument.	
	OS_ERR_TASK_WAITING	One or more tasks is waiting on the mailbox.	
	OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE	if pevent is not pointing to a mailbox.	
	OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL	if no more OS_EVENT structures are available.	

Returned Value

A NULL pointer if the mailbox is deleted or pevent if the mailbox is not deleted. In the latter case, you need to examine the error code to determine the reason.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. You should use this call with care because other tasks might expect the presence of the mailbox.
- 2. Interrupts are disabled when pended tasks are readied, which means that interrupt latency depends on the number of tasks that are waiting on the mailbox.
- 3. OSMboxAccept() callers do not know that the mailbox has been deleted.

OSMboxPend()

void *OSMboxPend(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT16U timeout, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task only	OS_MBOX_EN

OSMboxPend() is used when a task expects to receive a message. The message is sent to the task either by an ISR or by another task. The message received is a pointer-sized variable, and its use is application specific. If a message is present in the mailbox when OSMboxPend() is called, the message is retrieved, the mailbox is emptied, and the retrieved message is returned to the caller. If no message is present in the mailbox, OSMboxPend() suspends the current task until either a message is received or a user-specified timeout expires. If a message is sent to the mailbox and multiple tasks are waiting for the message, μ C/OS-II resumes the highest priority task waiting to run. A pended task that has been suspended with OSTaskSuspend() can receive a message. However, the task remains suspended until it is resumed by calling OSTaskResume().

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mailbox from which the message is received. This pointer is returned to your

application when the mailbox is created [see OSMboxCreate()].

timeout allows the task to resume execution if a message is not received from the mailbox within the

specified number of clock ticks. A timeout value of 0 indicates that the task wants to wait forever for the message. The maximum timeout is 65,535 clock ticks. The timeout value is not synchronized with the clock tick. The timeout count begins decrementing on the next clock

tick, which could potentially occur immediately.

err is a pointer to a variable that holds an error code. OSMboxPend() sets *err to one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if a message is received.

OS_TIMEOUT if a message is not received within the specified timeout

period.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a mailbox.

OS_ERR_PEND_ISR if you call this function from an ISR and μ C/OS-II suspends it.

In general, you should not call OSMboxPend() from an ISR,

but C/OS-II checks for this situation anyway.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Returned Value

OSMboxPend() returns the message sent by either a task or an ISR, and *err is set to OS_NO_ERR. If a message is not received within the specified timeout period, the returned message is a NULL pointer, and *err is set to OS_TIMEOUT.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Mailboxes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You should not call OSMboxPend() from an ISR.

```
OS_EVENT *CommMbox;
void CommTask(void *pdata)
    INT8U err;
     void *msg;
     pdata = pdata;
     for (;;) {
        msg = OSMboxPend(CommMbox, 10, &err);
        if (err == OS_NO_ERR) {
            . /* Code for received message
                                                               * /
         } else {
             . /* Code for message not received within timeout */
```

OSMboxPost()

INT8U OSMboxPost(OS_EVENT *pevent, void *msg);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task or ISR	OS_MBOX_EN &&
			OS_MBOX_POST_EN

OSMboxPost() sends a message to a task through a mailbox. A message is a pointer-sized variable and, its use is application specific. If a message is already in the mailbox, an error code is returned indicating that the mailbox is full. OSMboxPost() then immediately returns to its caller, and the message is not placed in the mailbox. If any task is waiting for a message at the mailbox, the highest priority task waiting receives the message. If the task waiting for the message has a higher priority than the task sending the message, the higher priority task is resumed, and the task sending the message is suspended. In other words, a context switch occurs.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mailbox into which the message is deposited. This pointer is returned to your

application when the mailbox is created [see OSMboxCreate()].

is the actual message sent to the task. msg is a pointer-sized variable and is application specific.

You must never post a NULL pointer because this pointer indicates that the mailbox is empty.

Returned Value

OSMboxPost() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the message is deposited in the mailbox.

OS_MBOX_FULL if the mailbox already contains a message.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a mailbox.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a pointer to NULL.

OS_ERR_POST_NULL_PTR if you are attempting to post a NULL pointer. By convention a

NULL pointer is not supposed to point to anything.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Mailboxes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You must never post a NULL pointer because this pointer indicates that the mailbox is empty.

OSMboxPostOpt()

INT8U OSMboxPostOpt(OS_EVENT *pevent, void *msg, INT8U opt);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task or ISR	OS_MBOX_EN and
			OS_MBOX_POST_OPT_EN

OSMboxPostOpt() works just like OSMboxPost() except that it allows you to post a message to **multiple** tasks. In other words, OSMboxPostOpt() allows the message posted to be broadcast to **all** tasks waiting on the mailbox. OSMboxPostOpt() can actually replace OSMboxPost() because it can emulate OSMboxPost().

OSMboxPostOpt() is used to send a message to a task through a mailbox. A message is a pointer-sized variable, and its use is application specific. If a message is already in the mailbox, an error code is returned indicating that the mailbox is full. OSMboxPostOpt() then immediately returns to its caller, and the message is not placed in the mailbox. If any task is waiting for a message at the mailbox, OSMboxPostOpt() allows you either to post the message to the highest priority task waiting at the mailbox (opt set to OS_POST_OPT_NONE) or to all tasks waiting at the mailbox (opt is set to OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST). In either case, scheduling occurs and, if any of the tasks that receives the message have a higher priority than the task that is posting the message, then the higher priority task is resumed, and the sending task is suspended. In other words, a context switch occurs.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mailbox. This pointer is returned to your application when the mailbox is

created [see OSMboxCreate()].

msg is the actual message sent to the task(s). msg is a pointer-sized variable and is application

specific. You must never post a NULL pointer because this pointer indicates that the mailbox is

empty.

opt specifies whether you want to send the message to the highest priority task waiting at the mailbox (when opt is set to OS_POST_OPT_NONE) or to all tasks waiting at the mailbox (when

opt is set to OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST).

Returned Value

err is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the message has been sent.

OS_MBOX_FULL if the mailbox already contains a message. You can only send

 \boldsymbol{one} message at a time to a mailbox, and thus the message \boldsymbol{must}

be consumed before you are allowed to send another one.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a mailbox.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_POST_NULL_PTR if you are attempting to post a NULL pointer. By convention, a

NULL pointer is not supposed to point to anything.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Mailboxes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You must **never** post a NULL pointer to a mailbox because this pointer indicates that the mailbox is empty.
- 3. If you need to use this function and want to reduce code space, you can disable code generation of OSMboxPost() because OSMboxPostOpt() can emulate OSMboxPost().
- 4. The execution time of OSMboxPostOpt() depends on the number of tasks waiting on the mailbox if you set opt to OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST.

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OSMboxQuery()

INT8U OSMboxQuery(OS_EVENT *pevent, OS_MBOX_DATA *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
10	OS_MBOX.C	Task or ISR	OS_MBOX_EN && OS_MBOX_QUERY_EN

OSMboxQuery() obtains information about a message mailbox. Your application must allocate an OS_MBOX_DATA data structure, which is used to receive data from the event control block of the message mailbox. OSMboxQuery() allows you to determine whether any tasks are waiting for a message at the mailbox and how many tasks are waiting (by counting the number of 1s in the .OSEventTbl[] field). You can also examine the current contents of the mailbox. Note that the size of .OSEventTbl[] is established by the #define constant OS_EVENT_TBL_SIZE (see uCOS_II.H).

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mailbox. This pointer is returned to your application when the mailbox is

created [see OSMboxCreate()].

pdata is a pointer to a data structure of type OS_MBOX_DATA, which contains the following fields:

Returned Value

OSMboxQuery() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a message mailbox.

Notes/Warnings

1. Message mailboxes must be created before they are used.

OSMemCreate()

OS_MEM *OSMemCreate(void *addr, INT32U nblks, INT32U blksize, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
12	OS_MEM.C	Task or startup code	OS_MEM_EN

OSMemCreate() creates and initializes a memory partition. A memory partition contains a user-specified number of fixed-size memory blocks. Your application can obtain one of these memory blocks and, when done, release the block back to the partition.

Arguments

addr	is the address of the start of a memory area that is used to create fixed-size memory blocks. Memory partitions can be created either using static arrays or malloc() during startup.		
nblks	contains the number of memory blocks available from the specified partition. You must specify at least two memory blocks per partition.		
blksize	specifies the size (in bytes) of each memory block within a partition. A memory block must be large enough to hold at least a pointer.		
err	is a pointer to a variable that he	olds an error code. OSMemCreate() sets *err to:	
	OS_NO_ERR	if the memory partition is created successfully	
	OS_MEM_INVALID_ADDR	if you are specifying an invalid address (i.e., addr is a ${\tt NULL}$ pointer)	
	OS_MEM_INVALID_PART	if a free memory partition is not available	
	OS_MEM_INVALID_BLKS	if you don't specify at least two memory blocks per partition	
	OS_MEM_INVALID_SIZE	if you don't specify a block size that can contain at least a pointer variable	

Returned Value

OSMemCreate() returns a pointer to the created memory-partition control block if one is available. If no memory-partition control block is available, OSMemCreate() returns a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Memory partitions must be created before they are used.

OSMemGet()

void *OSMemGet(OS_MEM *pmem, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
12	OS_MEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_MEM_EN

OSMemGet obtains a memory block from a memory partition. It is assumed that your application knows the size of each memory block obtained. Also, your application must return the memory block [using OSMemPut()] when it no longer needs it. You can call OSMemGet() more than once until all memory blocks are allocated.

Arguments

pmem is a pointer to the memory-partition control block that is returned to your application from the

OSMemCreate() call.

err is a pointer to a variable that holds an error code. OSMemGet() sets *err to one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if a memory block is available and returned to your application.

OS_MEM_NO_FREE_BLKS if the memory partition doesn't contain any more memory

blocks to allocate.

OS_MEM_INVALID_PMEM if pmem is a NULL pointer.

Returned Value

OSMemGet() returns a pointer to the allocated memory block if one is available. If no memory block is available from the memory partition, OSMemGet() returns a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Memory partitions must be created before they are used.

OSMemNameGet()

INT8U OSMemNameGet(OS_MEM *pmem, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_MEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_MEM_NAME_SIZE

OSMemNameGet() allows you to obtain the name that you assigned to a memory partition. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_MEM_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a resource.

Arguments

pmem is a pointer to the memory partition.

pname is a pointer to an ASCII string that will receive the name of the memory partition. The string

must be able to hold at least OS_MEM_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL character).

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

copied to the array pointed to by pname.

OS_ERR_INVALID_PMEM You passed a NULL pointer for pmem.

Returned Values

The size of the ASCII string placed in the array pointed to by pname or 0 if an error is encountered.

Notes/Warnings

1. The memory partition must be created before you can use this function and obtain the name of the resource.

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OSMemNameSet()

void OSMemNameSet(OS_MEM *pmem, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_MEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_MEM_NAME_SIZE

OSMemNameSet() allows you to assign a name to a memory partition. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_MEM_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a resource.

Arguments

pmem is a pointer to the memory partition that you want to name. This pointer is returned to your

application when the memory partition is created (see OSMemCreate()).

pname is a pointer to an ASCII string that contains the name for the resource. The size of the string

must be smaller than or equal to $OS_MEM_NAME_SIZE$ characters (including the NUL character).

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

OS_NO_ERR If the name of the event flag group was copied to the array

pointed to by pname.

OS_ERR_INVALID_PMEM You passed a NULL pointer for pmem.

Returned Values

none

Notes/Warnings

1. The memory partition must be created before you can use this function to set the name of the resource.

```
OS_MEM *CommMem;

void Task (void *pdata)
{
   INT8U err;

   pdata = pdata;
   for (;;) {
        OSMemNameSet(CommMem, "Comm. Buffer", &err);
        .
        .
    }
}
```

OSMemPut()

INT8U OSMemPut(OS_MEM *pmem, void *pblk);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
12	OS_MEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_MEM_EN

OSMemPut() returns a memory block to a memory partition. It is assumed that you return the memory block to the appropriate memory partition.

Arguments

pmem is a pointer to the memory-partition control block that is returned to your application from the

OSMemCreate() call.

pblk is a pointer to the memory block to be returned to the memory partition.

Returned Value

OSMemPut() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if a memory block is available and returned to your application.

OS_MEM_FULL if the memory partition can not accept more memory blocks.

This code is surely an indication that something is wrong because you are returning more memory blocks than you

obtained using OSMemGet().

OS_MEM_INVALID_PMEM if pmem is a NULL pointer.

OS_MEM_INVALID_PBLK if pblk is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Memory partitions must be created before they are used.

2. You must return a memory block to the proper memory partition.

OSMemQuery()

INT8U OSMemQuery(OS_MEM *pmem, OS_MEM_DATA *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
12	OS_MEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_MEM_EN && OS_MEM_QUERY_EN

OSMemQuery() obtains information about a memory partition. Basically, this function returns the same information found in the OS_MEM data structure but in a new data structure called OS_MEM_DATA. OS_MEM_DATA also contains an additional field that indicates the number of memory blocks in use.

Arguments

pmem is a pointer to the memory-partition control block that is returned to your application from the

OSMemCreate() call.

pdata is a pointer to a data structure of type OS_MEM_DATA, which contains the following fields

```
void *OSAddr; /* Points to beginning address of the memory partition
*/
void *OSFreeList; /* Points to beginning of the free list of memory
blocks */
INT32U OSBlkSize; /* Size (in bytes) of each memory block
*/
INT32U OSNBlks; /* Total number of blocks in the partition
*/
INT32U OSNFree; /* Number of memory blocks free
*/
INT32U OSNUsed; /* Number of memory blocks used
*/
```

Returned Value

OSMemQuery() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if a memory block is available and returned to your application.

OS_MEM_INVALID_PMEM if pmem is a NULL pointer.

OS_MEM_INVALID_PDATA if pdata is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Memory partitions must be created before they are used.

OSMutexAccept()

INT8U OSMutexAccept(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
8	OS_MUTEX.C	Task	OS_MUTEX_EN

OSMutexAccept() allows you to check to see if a resource is available. Unlike OSMutexPend(), OSMutexAccept() does not suspend the calling task if the resource is not available. In other words, OSMutexAccept() is non-blocking.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mutex that guards the resource. This pointer is returned to your application

when the mutex is created [see OSMutexCreate()].

err is a pointer to a variable used to hold an error code. OSMutexAccept() sets *err to one of

the following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a mutex.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_PEND_ISR if you call OSMutexAccept() from an ISR.

Returned Value

If the mutex is available, OSMutexAccept() returns 1. If the mutex is owned by another task, OSMutexAccept() returns 0.

- 1. Mutexes must be created before they are used.
- 2. This function **must not** be called by an ISR.
- 3. If you acquire the mutex through OSMutexAccept(), you **must** call OSMutexPost() to release the mutex when you are done with the resource.

OSMutexCreate()

OS_EVENT *OSMutexCreate(INT8U prio, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
8	OS_MUTEX.C	Task or startup code	OS_MUTEX_EN

OSMutexCreate() is used to create and initialize a mutex. A mutex is used to gain exclusive access to a resource.

Arguments

prio is the priority inheritance priority (PIP) that is used when a high priority task attempts to

acquire the mutex that is owned by a low priority task. In this case, the priority of the low

priority task is raised to the PIP until the resource is released.

is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the mutex has been created.

OS_ERR_CREATE_ISR if you attempt to create a mutex from an ISR.

OS_PRIO_EXIST if a task at the specified priority inheritance priority already

exists.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if no more OS_EVENT structures are available.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if you specify a priority with a higher number than

OS_LOWEST_PRIO.

Returned Value

A pointer to the event control block allocated to the mutex. If no event control block is available, OSMutexCreate() returns a NULL pointer.

- 1. Mutexes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You **must** make sure that prio has a higher priority than **any** of the tasks that use the mutex to access the resource. For example, if three tasks of priority 20, 25, and 30 are going to use the mutex, then prio must be a number **lower** than 20. In addition, there **must not** already be a task created at the specified priority.

OSMutexDel()

OS_EVENT *OSMutexDel(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT8U opt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
8	OS_MUTEX.C	Task	OS_MUTEX_EN and
			OS_MUTEX_DEL_EN

OSMutexDel() is used to delete a mutex. This function is dangerous to use because multiple tasks could attempt to access a deleted mutex. You should always use this function with great care. Generally speaking, before you delete a mutex, you must first delete all the tasks that can access the mutex.

Arguments

pevent	is a pointer to the mutex. This pointer is returned to your application when the mutex is created [$see OSMutexCreate()$].		
opt	specifies whether you want to delete the mutex only if there are no pending tasks (OS_DEL_NO_PEND) or whether you always want to delete the mutex regardless of whether tasks are pending or not (OS_DEL_ALWAYS). In this case, all pending task are readied.		
err	is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of th following:		
	OS_NO_ERR	if the call is successful and the mutex has been deleted.	
	OS_ERR_DEL_ISR	if you attempt to delete a mutex from an ISR.	
	OS_ERR_INVALID_OPT	if you don't specify one of the two options mentioned in the opt argument.	
	OS_ERR_TASK_WAITING	if one or more task are waiting on the mutex and you specify OS_DEL_NO_PEND.	
	OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE	if pevent is not pointing to a mutex.	
	OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL	if no more OS_EVENT structures are available.	

Returned Value

A NULL pointer if the mutex is deleted or pevent if the mutex is not deleted. In the latter case, you need to examine the error code to determine the reason.

Notes/Warnings

1. You should use this call with care because other tasks might expect the presence of the mutex.

OSMutexPend()

void OSMutexPend(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT16U timeout, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
8	OS_MUTEX.C	Task only	OS_MUTEX_EN

OSMutexPend() is used when a task desires to get exclusive access to a resource. If a task calls OSMutexPend() and the mutex is available, then OSMutexPend() gives the mutex to the caller and returns to its caller. Note that nothing is actually given to the caller except for the fact that if err is set to OS_NO_ERR, the caller can assume that it owns the mutex. However, if the mutex is already owned by another task, OSMutexPend() places the calling task in the wait list for the mutex. The task thus waits until the task that owns the mutex releases the mutex and thus the resource or until the specified timeout expires. If the mutex is signaled before the timeout expires, _C/OS-II resumes the highest priority task that is waiting for the mutex. Note that if the mutex is owned by a lower priority task, then OSMutexPend() raises the priority of the task that owns the mutex to the PIP, as specified when you created the mutex [see OSMutexCreate()].

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mutex. This pointer is returned to your application when the mutex is created

[see OSMutexCreate()].

timeout is used to allow the task to resume execution if the mutex is not signaled (i.e., posted to) within

the specified number of clock ticks. A timeout value of 0 indicates that the task desires to wait forever for the mutex. The maximum timeout is 65,535 clock ticks. The timeout value is not synchronized with the clock tick. The timeout count starts being decremented on the next clock

tick, which could potentially occur immediately.

err is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. OSMutexPend() sets *err to one

of the following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the mutex is available.

OS_TIMEOUT if the mutex is not available within the specified timeout.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a mutex to OSMutexPend().

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_PEND_ISR if you attempt to acquire the mutex from an ISR.

Returned Value

none

- 1. Mutexes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You should **not** suspend the task that owns the mutex, have the mutex owner wait on any other $\mu C/OS$ -II objects (i.e., semaphore, mailbox, or queue), and delay the task that owns the mutex. In other words, your code should hurry up and release the resource as quickly as possible.

OSMutexPost()

INT8U OSMutexPost(OS_EVENT *pevent);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
8	OS_MUTEX.C	Task	OS_MUTEX_EN

A mutex is signaled (i.e., released) by calling OSMutexPost(). You call this function only if you acquire the mutex by first calling either OSMutexAccept() or OSMutexPend(). If the priority of the task that owns the mutex has been raised when a higher priority task attempts to acquire the mutex, the original task priority of the task is restored. If one or more tasks are waiting for the mutex, the mutex is given to the highest priority task waiting on the mutex. The scheduler is then called to determine if the awakened task is now the highest priority task ready to run, and if so, a context switch is done to run the readied task. If no task is waiting for the mutex, the mutex value is simply set to available (0xFF).

Arguments

pevent

is a pointer to the mutex. This pointer is returned to your application when the mutex is created [see OSMutexCreate()].

Returned Value

OSMutexPost() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the mutex is released.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a mutex to OSMutexPost().

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_POST_ISR if you attempt to call OSMutexPost() from an ISR.

OS_ERR_NOT_MUTEX_OWNER if the task posting (i.e., signaling the mutex) doesn't actually

own the mutex.

- 1. Mutexes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You cannot call this function from an ISR.

```
OS_EVENT *DispMutex;
void TaskX (void *pdata)
  INT8U err;
   pdata = pdata;
   for (;;) {
       err = OSMutexPost(DispMutex);
       switch (err) {
          case OS_NO_ERR: /* Mutex signaled */
              break;
          case OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE:
              break;
          case OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL:
              break;
          case OS_ERR_POST_ISR:
              break;
```

OSMutexQuery()

INT8U OSMutexQuery(OS_EVENT *pevent, OS_MUTEX_DATA *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
8	OS_MUTEX.C	Task	OS_MUTEX_EN && OS_MUTEX_QUERY_EN

OSMutexQuery() is used to obtain run-time information about a mutex. Your application must allocate an OS_MUTEX_DATA data structure that is used to receive data from the event control block of the mutex. OSMutexQuery() allows you to determine whether any task is waiting on the mutex, how many tasks are waiting (by counting the number of 1s) in the .OSEventTbl[] field, obtain the PIP, and determine whether the mutex is available (1) or not (0). Note that the size of .OSEventTbl[] is established by the #define constant OS_EVENT_TBL_SIZE (see uCOS_II.H).

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the mutex. This pointer is returned to your application when the mutex is created [see OSMutexCreate()].

pdata is a pointer to a data structure of type OS_MUTEX_DATA, which contains the following fields

Returned Value

OSMutexQuery() returns one of these error codes:

```
OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a mutex to OSMutexQuery().

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_QUERY_ISR if you attempt to call OSMutexQuery() from an ISR.
```

- 1. Mutexes must be created before they are used.
- 2. You cannot call this function from an ISR.

In this example, we check the contents of the mutex to determine the highest priority task that is waiting for it.

```
OS_EVENT *DispMutex;
void Task (void *pdata)
   OS_MUTEX_DATA mutex_data;
   INT8U
                 err;
                highest; /* Highest priority task waiting on mutex
   INT8U
   INT8U
                x_i
   INT8U
                y;
   pdata = pdata;
   for (;;) {
       err = OSMutexQuery(DispMutex, &mutex_data);
       if (err == OS_NO_ERR) {
           if (mutex_data.OSEventGrp != 0x00) {
                      = OSUnMapTbl[mutex_data.OSEventGrp];
                      = OSUnMapTbl[mutex_data.OSEventTbl[y]];
               highest = (y << 3) + x;
           }
```

OSQAccept()

void *OSQAccept(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or ISR	OS_Q_EN

OSQAccept() checks to see if a message is available in the desired message queue. Unlike OSQPend(), OSQAccept() does not suspend the calling task if a message is not available. In other words, OSQAccept() is non-blocking. If a message is available, it is extracted from the queue and returned to your application. This call is typically used by ISRs because an ISR is not allowed to wait for messages at a queue.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the message queue from which the message is received. This pointer is returned

to your application when the message queue is created [see OSQCreate()].

err is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. OSQAccept() sets *err to one of

the following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the mutex is available.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a queue to OSQAccept().

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_Q_EMPTY if the queue doesn't contain any messages.

Returned Value

A pointer to the message if one is available; NULL if the message queue does not contain a message or the message received is a NULL pointer. If a message was available in the queue, it will be removed before OSQAccept() returns.

- 1. Message queues must be created before they are used.
- 2. The API (Application Programming Interface) has changed for this function in V2.60 because you can now post NULL pointers to queues. Specifically, the err argument has been added to the call.

OSQCreate()

OS_EVENT *OSQCreate(void **start, INT8U size);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or startup code	OS_Q_EN

OSQCreate() creates a message queue. A message queue allows tasks or ISRs to send pointer-sized variables (messages) to one or more tasks. The meaning of the messages sent are application specific.

Arguments

start is the base address of the message storage area. A message storage area is declared as an array

of pointers to voids.

size is the size (in number of entries) of the message storage area.

Returned Value

 ${\tt OSQCreate()}$ returns a pointer to the event control block allocated to the queue. If no event control block is available, ${\tt OSQCreate()}$ returns a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Queues must be created before they are used.

OSQDel()

OS_EVENT *OSQDel(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT8U opt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task	OS_Q_EN and OS_Q_DEL_EN

OSQDel() is used to delete a message queue. This function is dangerous to use because multiple tasks could attempt to access a deleted queue. You should always use this function with great care. Generally speaking, before you delete a queue, you must first delete all the tasks that can access the queue.

Arguments

is a pointer to the queue. This pointer is returned to your application when the queue is created pevent [see OSQCreate()]. specifies whether you want to delete the queue only if there are no pending tasks opt (OS_DEL_NO_PEND) or whether you always want to delete the queue regardless of whether tasks are pending or not (OS_DEL_ALWAYS). In this case, all pending task are readied. is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of the err following: if the call is successful and the queue has been deleted. OS_NO_ERR if you attempt to delete the queue from an ISR. OS_ERR_DEL_ISR if you don't specify one of the two options mentioned in the OS_ERR_INVALID_OPT opt argument. OS_ERR_TASK_WAITING if one or more tasks are waiting for messages at the message if pevent is not pointing to a queue. OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if no more OS_EVENT structures are available. OS ERR PEVENT NULL

Returned Value

A NULL pointer if the queue is deleted or pevent if the queue is not deleted. In the latter case, you need to examine the error code to determine the reason.

- 1. You should use this call with care because other tasks might expect the presence of the queue.
- 2. Interrupts are disabled when pended tasks are readied, which means that interrupt latency depends on the number of tasks that are waiting on the queue.

```
OS_EVENT *DispQ;

void Task (void *pdata)
{
    INT8U err;

    pdata = pdata;
    while (1) {
        .
        .
        DispQ = OSQDel(DispQ, OS_DEL_ALWAYS, &err);
        if (DispQ == (OS_EVENT *)0) {
            /* Queue has been deleted */
        }
        .
        .
        .
     }
}
```

OSQFlush()

INT8U *OSQFlush(OS_EVENT *pevent);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or ISR	OS_Q_EN && OS_Q_FLUSH_EN

OSQFlush() empties the contents of the message queue and eliminates all the messages sent to the queue. This function takes the same amount of time to execute regardless of whether tasks are waiting on the queue (and thus no messages are present) or the queue contains one or more messages.

Arguments

pevent

is a pointer to the message queue. This pointer is returned to your application when the message queue is created [see OSQCreate()].

Returned Value

OSQFlush() returns one of the following codes:

```
OS_NO_ERR if the message queue is flushed.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you attempt to flush an object other than a message queue.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.
```

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Queues must be created before they are used.
- 2. You should use this function with great care because, when to flush the queue, you LOOSE the references to what the queue entries are pointing to and thus, you could cause 'memory leaks'. In other words, the data you are pointing to that's being referenced by the queue entries should, most likely, need to be deallocated (i.e. freed). To flush a queue that contains entries, you should instead repeateadly use OSQAccept().

OSQPend()

void *OSQPend(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT16U timeout, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task only	OS_Q_EN

OSQPend() is used when a task wants to receive messages from a queue. The messages are sent to the task either by an ISR or by another task. The messages received are pointer-sized variables, and their use is application specific. If at least one message is present at the queue when OSQPend() is called, the message is retrieved and returned to the caller. If no message is present at the queue, OSQPend() suspends the current task until either a message is received or a user-specified timeout expires. If a message is sent to the queue and multiple tasks are waiting for such a message, then μ C/OS-II resumes the highest priority task that is waiting. A pended task that has been suspended with OSTaskSuspend() can receive a message. However, the task remains suspended until it is resumed by calling OSTaskResume().

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the queue from which the messages are received. This pointer is returned to your

application when the queue is created [see OSQCreate()].

timeout allows the task to resume execution if a message is not received from the mailbox within the

specified number of clock ticks. A timeout value of 0 indicates that the task wants to wait forever for the message. The maximum timeout is 65,535 clock ticks. The timeout value is not synchronized with the clock tick. The timeout count starts decrementing on the next clock tick,

which could potentially occur immediately.

err is a pointer to a variable used to hold an error code. OSQPend() sets *err to one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if a message is received.

OS_TIMEOUT if a message is not received within the specified timeout.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a message queue.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

OS_ERR_PEND_ISR if you call this function from an ISR and μ C/OS-II has to

suspend it. In general, you should not call OSQPend() from an

ISR. _C/OS-II checks for this situation anyway.

Returned Value

OSQPend() returns a message sent by either a task or an ISR, and *err is set to OS_NO_ERR. If a timeout occurs, OSQPend() returns a NULL pointer and sets *err to OS_TIMEOUT.

- 1. Queues must be created before they are used.
- 2. You should not call OSQPend() from an ISR.
- 3. OSQPend() was changed in V2.60 to allow it to receive NULL pointer messages.

```
OS_EVENT *CommQ;
void CommTask(void *data)
    INT8U err;
     void *msg;
     pdata = pdata;
     for (;;) {
        msg = OSQPend(CommQ, 100, &err);
        if (err == OS_NO_ERR) {
                                                       * /
         . /* Message received within 100 ticks!
        } else {
                  /* Message not received, must have timed out */
```

OSQPost()

INT8U OSQPost(OS_EVENT *pevent, void *msg);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or ISR	OS_Q_EN && OS_Q_POST_EN

OSQPost() sends a message to a task through a queue. A message is a pointer-sized variable, and its use is application specific. If the message queue is full, an error code is returned to the caller. In this case, OSQPost() immediately returns to its caller, and the message is not placed in the queue. If any task is waiting for a message at the queue, the highest priority task receives the message. If the task waiting for the message has a higher priority than the task sending the message, the higher priority task resumes, and the task sending the message is suspended; that is, a context switch occurs. Message queues are first-in first-out (FIFO), which means that the first message sent is the first message received.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the queue into which the message is deposited. This pointer is returned to your

application when the queue is created [see OSQCreate()].

msg is the actual message sent to the task. msg is a pointer-sized variable and is application specific.

As of V2.60, you are allowed to post a NULL pointer.

Returned Value

OSQPost() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the message is deposited in the queue.

OS_Q_FULL if the queue is already full.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a message queue.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

- 1. Queues must be created before they are used.
- 2. As of V2.60, you are now allowed to post a NULL pointer. It is up to you're application to check the err variable accordingly.

```
OS_EVENT *CommQ;
INT8U CommRxBuf[100];
void CommTaskRx (void *pdata)
     INT8U err;
     pdata = pdata;
     for (;;) {
        err = OSQPost(CommQ, (void *)&CommRxBuf[0]);
        switch (err) {
            case OS_NO_ERR:
                 /* Message was deposited into queue */
                 break;
            case OS_Q_FULL:
                                                       * /
                 /* Queue is full
                Break;
```

OSQPostFront()

INT8U OSQPostFront(OS_EVENT *pevent, void *msg);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or ISR	OS_Q_EN && OS_Q_POST_FRONT_EN

OSQPostFront() sends a message to a task through a queue. OSQPostFront() behaves very much like OSQPost(), except that the message is inserted at the front of the queue. This means that OSQPostFront() makes the message queue behave like a last-in first-out (LIFO) queue instead of a first-in first-out (FIFO) queue. The message is a pointer-sized variable, and its use is application specific. If the message queue is full, an error code is returned to the caller. OSQPostFront() immediately returns to its caller, and the message is not placed in the queue. If any tasks are waiting for a message at the queue, the highest priority task receives the message. If the task waiting for the message has a higher priority than the task sending the message, the higher priority task is resumed, and the task sending the message is suspended; that is, a context switch occurs.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the queue into which the message is deposited. This pointer is returned to your

application when the queue is created [see OSQCreate()].

is the actual message sent to the task. msg is a pointer-sized variable and is application specific.

As of V2.60, you are allowed to post a NULL pointer.

Returned Value

OSQPostFront() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the message is deposited in the queue.

OS_Q_FULL if the queue is already full.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a message queue.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Queues must be created before they are used.
- 2. As of V2.60, you are now allowed to post a NULL pointer. It is up to you're application to check the err variable accordingly.

```
OS_EVENT *CommQ;
INT8U CommRxBuf[100];
void CommTaskRx (void *pdata)
     INT8U err;
     pdata = pdata;
     for (;;) {
        err = OSQPostFront(CommQ, (void *)&CommRxBuf[0]);
        switch (err) {
            case OS_NO_ERR:
                 /* Message was deposited into queue */
                 break;
            case OS_Q_FULL:
                                                       * /
                 /* Queue is full
                break;
```

OSQPostOpt()

INT8U OSQPostOpt(OS_EVENT *pevent, void *msg, INT8U opt);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or ISR	OS_Q_EN && OS_Q_POST_OPT_EN

OSQPOSTOPT() is used to send a message to a task through a queue. A message is a pointer-sized variable, and its use is application specific. If the message queue is full, an error code is returned indicating that the queue is full. OSQPOSTOPT() then immediately returns to its caller, and the message is not placed in the queue. If any task is waiting for a message at the queue, OSQPOSTOPT() allows you to either post the message to the highest priority task waiting at the queue (opt set to OS_POST_OPT_NONE) or to all tasks waiting at the queue (opt is set to OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST). In either case, scheduling occurs, and, if any of the tasks that receive the message have a higher priority than the task that is posting the message, then the higher priority task is resumed, and the sending task is suspended. In other words, a context switch occurs.

 $\label{eq:osqpostopt()} OSQPostOpt() \ emulates \ both \ OSQPost() \ and \ OSQPostFront() \ and \ allows \ you \ to \ post \ a \ message \ to \ multiple \ tasks. \ In other words, it allows the message posted to be broadcast to \ all \ tasks \ waiting \ on the queue. \\ OSQPostOpt() \ can \ actually \ replace \ OSQPost() \ and \ OSQPostFront() \ because \ you \ specify \ the \ mode \ of \ operation \ via \ an \ option \ argument, \ opt. \ Doing \ this \ allows \ you \ to \ reduce \ the \ amount \ of \ code \ space \ needed \ by \ \mu C/OS-II.$

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the queue. This pointer is returned to your application when the queue is created

[see OSQCreate()].

msg is the actual message sent to the task(s). msg is a pointer-sized variable, and what msg points to

is application specific. As of V2.60, you are now allowed to post a NULL pointer.

opt determines the type of POST performed:

OS_POST_OPT_NONE POST to a single waiting task [identical to OSQPost()].

OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST POST to **all** tasks waiting on the queue.

OS_POST_OPT_FRONT POST as LIFO [simulates OSQPostFront()].

Below is a list of **all** the possible combination of these flags:

OS_POST_OPT_NONE is identical to OSQPost()

OS_POST_OPT_FRONT is identical to OSQPostFront()

OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST is identical to OSQPost() but broadcasts msg to all waiting

tasks

OS_POST_OPT_FRONT + OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST

is identical to OSQPostFront() except that broadcasts msg to

all waiting tasks.

Returned Value

err is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the message has been sent.

OS_Q_FULL if the queue can no longer accept messages because it is full.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a mailbox.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Queues must be created before they are used.
- 2. If you need to use this function and want to reduce code space, you can disable code generation of OSQPost() (set OS_Q_POST_EN to 0 in OS_CFG.H) and OSQPostFront() (set OS_Q_POST_FRONT_EN to 0 in OS_CFG.H) because OSQPostOpt() can emulate these two functions.
- 3. The execution time of OSQPostOpt() depends on the number of tasks waiting on the queue if you set opt to OS_POST_OPT_BROADCAST.

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OSQQuery()

INT8U OSQQuery(OS_EVENT *pevent, OS_Q_DATA *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
11	OS_Q.C	Task or ISR	OS_Q_EN && OS_QUERY_EN

OSQQuery() obtains information about a message queue. Your application must allocate an OS_Q_DATA data structure used to receive data from the event control block of the message queue. OSQQuery() allows you to determine whether any tasks are waiting for messages at the queue, how many tasks are waiting (by counting the number of 1s in the .OSEventTbl[] field), how many messages are in the queue, and what the message queue size is. OSQQuery() also obtains the next message that is returned if the queue is not empty. Note that the size of .OSEventTbl[] is established by the #define constant OS_EVENT_TBL_SIZE (see uCOS_II.H).

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the message queue. This pointer is returned to your application when the queue is

created [see OSQCreate()].

pdata is a pointer to a data structure of type OS_Q_DATA, which contains the following fields

Returned Value

OSQQuery() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a message queue.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Message queues must be created before they are used.

OSSchedLock()

void OSSchedLock(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	Task or ISR	OS_SCHED_LOCK_EN

OSSchedLock() prevents task rescheduling until its counterpart, OSSchedUnlock(), is called. The task that calls OSSchedLock() keeps control of the CPU even though other higher priority tasks are ready to run. However, interrupts are still recognized and serviced (assuming interrupts are enabled). OSSchedLock() and OSSchedUnlock() must be used in pairs. μ C/OS-II allows OSSchedLock() to be nested up to 255 levels deep. Scheduling is enabled when an equal number of OSSchedUnlock() calls have been made.

Arguments

none

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

1. After calling OSSchedLock(), your application must not make system calls that suspend execution of the current task; that is, your application cannot call OSTimeDly(), OSTimeDlyHMSM(), OSFlagPend(), OSSemPend(), OSMutexPend(), OSMboxPend(), or OSQPend(). Because the scheduler is locked out, no other task is allowed to run, and your system will lock up.

OSSchedUnlock()

void OSSchedUnlock(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	Task or ISR	OS_SCHED_LOCK_EN

OSSchedUnlock() re-enables task scheduling whenever it is paired with OSSchedLock().

Arguments

none

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

 After calling OSSchedLock(), your application must not make system calls that suspend execution of the current task; that is, your application cannot call OSTimeDly(), OSTimeDlyHMSM(), OSFlagPend(), OSSemPend(), OSMutexPend(), OSMboxPend(), or OSQPend(). Because the scheduler is locked out, no other task is allowed to run, and your system will lock up.

OSSemAccept()

INT16U OSSemAccept(OS_EVENT *pevent);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_SEM_EN &&
			OS_SEM_ACCEPT_EN

OSSemAccept() checks to see if a resource is available or an event has occurred. Unlike OSSemPend(), OSSemAccept() does not suspend the calling task if the resource is not available. In other words, OSSemAccept() is non-blocking. Use OSSemAccept() from an ISR to obtain the semaphore.

Arguments

pevent

is a pointer to the semaphore that guards the resource. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore is created [see OSSemCreate()].

Returned Value

When OSSemAccept() is called and the semaphore value is greater than 0, the semaphore value is decremented, and the value of the semaphore before the decrement is returned to your application. If the semaphore value is 0 when OSSemAccept() is called, the resource is not available, and 0 is returned to your application.

Notes/Warnings

1. Semaphores must be created before they are used.

OSSemCreate()

OS_EVENT *OSSemCreate(INT16U value);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task or startup code	OS_SEM_EN

OSSemCreate() creates and initializes a semaphore. A semaphore

- allows a task to synchronize with either an ISR or a task (you initialize the semaphore to 0),
- gains exclusive access to a resource (you initialize the semaphore to a value greater than 0), and
- signals the occurrence of an event (you initialize the semaphore to 0).

Arguments

value

is the initial value of the semaphore and can be between 0 and 65,535. A value of 0 indicates that a resource is not available or an event has not occurred.

Returned Value

OSSemCreate() returns a pointer to the event control block allocated to the semaphore. If no event control block is available, OSSemCreate() returns a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Semaphores must be created before they are used.

```
OS_EVENT *DispSem;

void main (void)
{

.
.
.
OSInit(); /* Initialize μC/OS-II */
.
.
.
DispSem = OSSemCreate(1); /* Create Display Semaphore */
.
.
.
OSStart(); /* Start Multitasking */
}
```

OSSemDel()

OS_EVENT *OSSemDel(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT8U opt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task	OS_SEM_EN and OS_SEM_DEL_EN

OSSemDel() is used to delete a semaphore. This function is dangerous to use because multiple tasks could attempt to access a deleted semaphore. You should always use this function with great care. Generally speaking, before you delete a semaphore, you must first delete all the tasks that can access the semaphore.

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the semaphore. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore is created [see OSSemCreate()]. specifies whether you want to delete the semaphore only if there are no pending tasks opt (OS_DEL_NO_PEND) or whether you always want to delete the semaphore regardless of whether tasks are pending or not (OS_DEL_ALWAYS). In this case, all pending task are readied. is a pointer to a variable that is used to hold an error code. The error code can be one of the err following: OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful and the semaphore has been deleted. if you attempt to delete the semaphore from an ISR. OS_ERR_DEL_ISR if you don't specify one of the two options mentioned in the OS_ERR_INVALID_OPT opt argument. OS_ERR_TASK_WAITING if one or more tasks are waiting on the semaphore. if pevent is not pointing to a semaphore. OS ERR EVENT TYPE OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if no more OS_EVENT structures are available.

Returned Value

A NULL pointer if the semaphore is deleted or pevent if the semaphore is not deleted. In the latter case, you need to examine the error code to determine the reason.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. You should use this call with care because other tasks might expect the presence of the semaphore.
- 2. Interrupts are disabled when pended tasks are readied, which means that interrupt latency depends on the number of tasks that are waiting on the semaphore.

OSSemPend()

void OSSemPend(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT16U timeout, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task only	OS_SEM_EN

OSSemPend() is used when a task wants exclusive access to a resource, needs to synchronize its activities with an ISR or a task, or is waiting until an event occurs. If a task calls OSSemPend() and the value of the semaphore is greater than O, OSSemPend() decrements the semaphore and returns to its caller. However, if the value of the semaphore is O, OSSemPend() places the calling task in the waiting list for the semaphore. The task waits until a task or an ISR signals the semaphore or the specified timeout expires. If the semaphore is signaled before the timeout expires, $\mu C/OS-II$ resumes the highest priority task waiting for the semaphore. A pended task that has been suspended with OSTaskSuspend() can obtain the semaphore. However, the task remains suspended until it is resumed by calling OSTaskResume().

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the semaphore. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore

is created [see OSSemCreate()].

timeout allows the task to resume execution if a message is not received from the mailbox within the

specified number of clock ticks. A timeout value of 0 indicates that the task waits forever for the message. The maximum timeout is 65,535 clock ticks. The timeout value is not synchronized with the clock tick. The timeout count begins decrementing on the next clock

tick, which could potentially occur immediately.

err is a pointer to a variable used to hold an error code. OSSemPend() sets *err to one of the

following:

OS_NO_ERR if the semaphore is available.

OS_TIMEOUT if the semaphore is not signaled within the specified timeout.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a semaphore.

OS_ERR_PEND_ISR if you called this function from an ISR and $\mu C/OS$ -II has to

suspend it. You should not call OSSemPend() from an ISR.

 $\mu\text{C/OS-II}$ checks for this situation.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

1. Semaphores must be created before they are used.

OSSemPost()

INT8U OSSemPost(OS_EVENT *pevent);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_SEM_EN

A semaphore is signaled by calling OSSemPost(). If the semaphore value is 0 or more, it is incremented, and OSSemPost() returns to its caller. If tasks are waiting for the semaphore to be signaled, OSSemPost() removes the highest priority task pending for the semaphore from the waiting list and makes this task ready to run. The scheduler is then called to determine if the awakened task is now the highest priority task ready to run.

Arguments

pevent

is a pointer to the semaphore. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore is created [see OSSemCreate()].

Returned Value

OSSemPost() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the semaphore is signaled successfully.

OS_SEM_OVF if the semaphore count overflows.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a semaphore.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Semaphores must be created before they are used.

```
OS_EVENT *DispSem;
void TaskX (void *pdata)
     INT8U err;
     pdata = pdata;
     for (;;) {
        err = OSSemPost(DispSem);
        switch (err) {
           case OS_NO_ERR:
                 /* Semaphore signaled */
                 break;
            case OS_SEM_OVF:
                /* Semaphore has overflowed */
                break;
```

OSSemQuery()

INT8U OSSemQuery(OS_EVENT *pevent, OS_SEM_DATA *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_SEM_EN && OS_SEM_QUERY_EN

OSSemQuery() obtains information about a semaphore. Your application must allocate an OS_SEM_DATA data structure used to receive data from the event control block of the semaphore. OSSemQuery() allows you to determine whether any tasks are waiting on the semaphore and how many tasks are waiting (by counting the number of 1s in the .OSEventTbl[] field) and obtains the semaphore count. Note that the size of .OSEventTbl[] is established by the #define constant OS_EVENT_TBL_SIZE (see uCOS_II.H).

Arguments

pevent is a pointer to the semaphore. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore

is created [see OSSemCreate()].

pdata is a pointer to a data structure of type OS_SEM_DATA, which contains the following fields

Returned Value

OSSemQuery() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if you don't pass a pointer to a semaphore.

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL if pevent is is a NULL pointer.

Notes/Warnings

1. Semaphores must be created before they are used.

In this example, the contents of the semaphore is checked to determine the highest priority task waiting at the time the function call was made.

```
OS_EVENT *DispSem;
void Task (void *pdata)
      OS_SEM_DATA sem_data;
      INT8U
                  err;
                  highest; /* Highest priority task waiting on sem. */
      INT8U
      INT8U
      INT8U
                  y;
      pdata = pdata;
      for (;;) {
         err = OSSemQuery(DispSem, &sem_data);
         if (err == OS_NO_ERR) {
            if (sem_data.OSEventGrp != 0x00) {
                       = OSUnMapTbl[sem_data.OSEventGrp];
                        = OSUnMapTbl[sem_data.OSEventTbl[y]];
                highest = (y << 3) + x;
            }
```

OSSemSet()

void OSSemSet(OS_EVENT *pevent, INT16U cnt, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
7	OS_SEM.C	Task or ISR	OS_SEM_EN && OS_SEM_SET_EN

OSSemSet() is used to change the current value of the semaphore count. This function would normally be used when a semaphore is used as a signaling mechanism. OSSemSet() can then be used to reset the count to any value. If the semaphore count is already 0 then, the count is only changed if there are no tasks waiting on the semaphore.

Arguments

is a pointer to the semaphore that is used as a signaling mechanism. This pointer is returned to your application when the semaphore is created [see OSSemCreate()].

cnt is the desired count that you want the semaphore set to.

err is a pointer to a variable used to hold an error code. OSSemSet() sets *err to one of the following:

OS_NO_ERR if the count was changed or, not changed because there was one or more tasks waiting on the semaphore.

OS_ERR_EVENT_TYPE if pevent is not pointing to a semaphore.

if pevent is a NULL pointer.

Returned Value

OS_ERR_PEVENT_NULL

None

Notes/Warnings

1. You should **NOT** use this function if the semaphore is used to protect a shared resource.

OSStart()

void OSStart(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	Startup code only	N/A

 ${\tt OSStart()} \ \, \text{starts multitasking under } \mu\text{C/OS-II.} \ \, \text{This function is typically called from your startup code but after you call } \\ {\tt OSInit()}.$

Arguments

none

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

1. OSInit() must be called prior to calling OSStart(). OSStart() should only be called once by your application code. If you do call OSStart() more than once, it does not do anything on the second and subsequent calls.

OSStatInit()

void OSStatInit(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	Startup code only	OS_TASK_STAT_EN &&
			OS_TASK_CREATE_EXT_EN

OSStatInit() determines the maximum value that a 32-bit counter can reach when no other task is executing. This function must be called when only one task is created in your application and when multitasking has started; that is, this function must be called from the first and, only, task created.

Arguments

none

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

none

OSTaskChangePrio()

INT8U OSTaskChangePrio(INT8U oldprio, INT8U newprio);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task only	OS_TASK_CHANGE_PRIO_EN

OSTaskChangePrio() changes the priority of a task.

Arguments

oldprio is the priority number of the task to change.

newprio is the new task's priority.

Returned Value

OSTaskChangePrio() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the task's priority is changed.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if either the old priority or the new priority is equal to or exceeds OS_LOWEST_PRIO.

OS_PRIO_EXIST if newprio already exists.

OS_PRIO_ERR if no task with the specified old priority exists (i.e., the task specified by oldprio does not exist).

Notes/Warnings

1. The desired priority must not already have been assigned; otherwise, an error code is returned. Also, OSTaskChangePrio() verifies that the task to change exists.

OSTaskCreate()

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task or startup code	OS_TASK_CREATE_EN

OSTaskCreate() creates a task so it can be managed by _C/OS-II. Tasks can be created either prior to the start of multitasking or by a running task. A task cannot be created by an ISR. A task must be written as an infinite loop, as shown below, and must not return.

 ${\tt OSTaskCreate()} \ is \ used \ for \ backward \ compatibility \ with \ \mu C/OS \ and \ when \ the \ added \ features \ of \\ {\tt OSTaskCreateExt()} \ are \ not \ needed.$

Depending on how the stack frame is built, your task has interrupts either enabled or disabled. You need to check with the processor-specific code for details.

```
void Task (void *pdata)
                           /* Do something with 'pdata'
      for (;;) {
                          /* Task body, always an infinite loop.
         /* Must call one of the following services:
               OSMboxPend()
               OSFlagPend()
               OSMutexPend()
               OSQPend()
               OSSemPend()
               OSTimeDly()
               OSTimeDlyHMSM()
               OSTaskSuspend()
                                    (Suspend self)
               OSTaskDel()
                                    (Delete self)
```

Arguments

task is a pointer to the task's code.

pdata is a pointer to an optional data area used to pass parameters to the task when it is created.

Where the task is concerned, it thinks it is invoked and passes the argument pdata. pdata can be used to pass arguments to the task created. For example, you can create a generic task that handles an asynchronous serial port. pdata can be used to pass this task information about the serial port it has to manage: the port address, the baud rate, the number of bits, the parity, and

more.

ptos is a pointer to the task's top-of-stack. The stack is used to store local variables, function

parameters, return addresses, and CPU registers during an interrupt. The size of the stack is determined by the task's requirements and the anticipated interrupt nesting. Determining the size of the stack involves knowing how many bytes are required for storage of local variables for the task itself and all nested functions, as well as requirements for interrupts (accounting for nesting). If the configuration constant OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 1, the stack is assumed to grow downward (i.e., from high to low memory). ptos thus needs to point to the highest *valid* memory location on the stack. If OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 0, the stack is assumed to grow in

the opposite direction (i.e., from low to high memory).

prio is the task priority. A unique priority number must be assigned to each task, and the lower the

number, the higher the priority (i.e., the task importance).

Returned Value

OSTaskCreate() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the function is successful.

OS_PRIO_EXIST if the requested priority already exists.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if prio is higher than OS_LOWEST_PRIO.

OS NO MORE TCB if μC/OS-II doesn't have any more OS TCBs to assign.

OS_ERR_TASK_CREATE_ISR if you attempted to create the task from an ISR.

Notes/Warnings

1. The stack for the task must be declared with the OS_STK type.

- 2. A task must always invoke one of the services provided by μ C/OS-II to wait for time to expire, suspend the task, or wait for an event to occur (wait on a mailbox, queue, or semaphore). This allows other tasks to gain control of the CPU.
- 3. You should not use task priorities 0, 1, 2, 3, OS_LOWEST_PRIO-3, OS_LOWEST_PRIO-2, OS_LOWEST_PRIO-1, and OS_LOWEST_PRIO because they are reserved for use by μ C/OS-II. This leaves you with up to 56 application tasks.

This example shows that the argument that <code>Taskl()</code> receives is not used, so the pointer <code>pdata</code> is set to <code>NULL</code>. Note that I assume the stack grows from high to low memory because I pass the address of the highest valid memory location of the stack <code>TasklStk[]</code>. If the stack grows in the opposite direction for the processor you are using, pass <code>&TasklStk[0]</code> as the task's top-of-stack.

Assigning pdata to itself is used to prevent compilers from issuing a warning about the fact that pdata is not being used. In other words, if I had not added this line, some compilers would have complained about 'WARNING - variable pdata not used.'

```
OS_STK Task1Stk[1024];
void main (void)
      INT8U err;
      OSInit();
                              /* Initialize μC/OS-II
      OSTaskCreate(Task1,
                   (void *)0,
                   &Task1Stk[1023],
                   25);
      OSStart();
                               /* Start Multitasking
                                                                    * /
}
void Task1 (void *pdata)
      pdata = pdata;
                                /* Prevent compiler warning
      for (;;) {
                                 /* Task code
      }
```

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You can create a generic task that can be instantiated more than once. For example, a task that handles a serial port could be passed the address of a data structure that characterizes the specific port (i.e., port address and baud rate). Note that each task has its own stack space and its own (different) priority. In this example, I arbitrarily decided that COM1 is the most important port of the two.

```
OS_STK
          *Comm1Stk[1024];
COMM_DATA CommlData;
                               /* Data structure containing COMM port
* /
                                /* Specific data for channel 1
* /
OS_STK
          *Comm2Stk[1024];
COMM_DATA Comm2Data;
                               /* Data structure containing COMM port
*/
                                /* Specific data for channel 2
*/
void main (void)
   INT8U err;
  OSInit();
                               /* Initialize μC/OS-II
                                /* Create task to manage COM1
   OSTaskCreate(CommTask,
                (void *)&Comm1Data,
                &Comm1Stk[1023],
                25);
                                /* Create task to manage COM2
   OSTaskCreate(CommTask,
                (void *)&Comm2Data,
                &Comm2Stk[1023],
                26);
  OSStart();
                               /* Start Multitasking
}
void CommTask (void *pdata)
                               /* Generic communication task
```

OSTaskCreateExt()

```
INT8U OSTaskCreateExt(void
                              (*task)(void *pd),
                       void
                                *pdata,
                       OS STK
                               *ptos,
                       INT8U
                                prio,
                       INT16U
                                id,
                       OS_STK
                               *pbos,
                       INT32U
                                stk_size,
                       void
                                *pext,
                       INT16U
                                opt);
```

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task or startup code	N/A

OSTaskCreate(), except that it allows you to specify additional information about your task to μ C/OS-II. Tasks can be created either prior to the start of multitasking or by a running task. A task cannot be created by an ISR. A task must be written as an infinite loop, as shown below, and must not return. Depending on how the stack frame is built, your task has interrupts either enabled or disabled. You need to check with the processor-specific code for details. Note that the first four arguments are exactly the same as the ones for OSTaskCreate(). This was done to simplify the migration to this new and more powerful function. It is highly recommended that you use OSTaskCreateExt() instead of the older OSTaskCreate() function because it's much more flexible.

Arguments

task is a pointer to the task's code.

is a pointer to an optional data area, which is used to pass parameters to the task when it is pdata

created. Where the task is concerned, it thinks it is invoked and passes the argument pdata. pdata can be used to pass arguments to the task created. For example, you can create a generic task that handles an asynchronous serial port. pdata can be used to pass this task information about the serial port it has to manage: the port address, the baud rate, the number of

bits, the parity, and more.

is a pointer to the task's top-of-stack. The stack is used to store local variables, function ptos parameters, return addresses, and CPU registers during an interrupt.

> The size of this stack is determined by the task's requirements and the anticipated interrupt nesting. Determining the size of the stack involves knowing how many bytes are required for storage of local variables for the task itself and all nested functions, as well as requirements for interrupts (accounting for nesting).

> If the configuration constant OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 1, the stack is assumed to grow downward (i.e., from high to low memory), ptos thus needs to point to the highest valid memory location on the stack. If OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 0, the stack is assumed to grow in the opposite direction (i.e., from low to high memory).

> is the task priority. A unique priority number must be assigned to each task: the lower the number, the higher the priority (i.e., the importance) of the task.

> is the task's ID number. At this time, the ID is not currently used in any other function and has simply been added in OSTaskCreateExt() for future expansion. You should set id to the same value as the task's priority.

> is a pointer to the task's bottom-of-stack. If the configuration constant OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 1, the stack is assumed to grow downward (i.e., from high to low memory); thus, pos must point to the lowest valid stack location. If OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 0, the stack is assumed to grow in the opposite direction (i.e., from low to high memory); thus, pbos must point to the highest valid stack location. pbos is used by the stack-checking function OSTaskStkChk().

> specifies the size of the task's stack in number of elements. If OS_STK is set to INT8U, then stk_size corresponds to the number of bytes available on the stack. If OS_STK is set to INT16U, then stk_size contains the number of 16-bit entries available on the stack. Finally, if OS STK is set to INT32U, then stk size contains the number of 32-bit entries available on the stack.

> is a pointer to a user-supplied memory location (typically a data structure) used as a TCB extension. For example, this user memory can hold the contents of floating-point registers during a context switch, the time each task takes to execute, the number of times the task is switched in, and so on.

> contains task-specific options. The lower 8 bits are reserved by μ C/OS-II, but you can use the upper 8 bits for application-specific options. Each option consists of one or more bits. The option is selected when the bit(s) is set. The current version of μC/OS-II supports the following options:

OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK specifies whether stack checking is allowed for the task.

specifies whether the stack needs to be cleared. OS TASK OPT STK CLR

OS_TASK_OPT_SAVE_FP specifies whether floating-point registers are saved. This option is only valid if your processor has floating-point hardware and the processor-specific code saves the floating-point registers.

Refer to uCOS_II.H for other options.

prio

id

pbos

stk_size

pext

opt

Returned Value

OSTaskCreateExt() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the function is successful.

OS_PRIO_EXIST if the requested priority already exists.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if prio is higher than OS_LOWEST_PRIO.

OS_NO_MORE_TCB if _C/OS-II doesn't have any more OS_TCBs to assign.

OS_ERR_TASK_CREATE_ISR if you attempted to create the task from an ISR.

Notes/Warnings

1. The stack must be declared with the OS_STK type.

- A task must always invoke one of the services provided by μC/OS-II to wait for time to expire, suspend the
 task, or wait an event to occur (wait on a mailbox, queue, or semaphore). This allows other tasks to gain
 control of the CPU.
- 3. You should not use task priorities 0, 1, 2, 3, OS_LOWEST_PRIO-3, OS_LOWEST_PRIO-2, OS_LOWEST_PRIO-1, and OS_LOWEST_PRIO because they are reserved for use by μ C/OS-II. This leaves you with up to 56 application tasks.

- E1(1) The task control block is extended using a user-defined data structure called OS_TASK_USER_DATA, which in this case contains the name of the task as well as other fields.
- E1(2) The task name is initialized with the standard library function strcpy().
- E1(4) Note that stack checking has been enabled for this task, so you are allowed to call OSTaskStkChk().
- E1(3) Also, assume here that the stack grows downward on the processor used (i.e., OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 1; TOS stands for top-of-stack and BOS stands for bottom-of-stack).

```
typedef struct {
                     /* User defined data structure */
(1)
   char OSTaskName[20];
   INT16U OSTaskCtr;
   INT16U OSTaskExecTime;
   INT32U OSTaskTotExecTime;
} OS_TASK_USER_DATA;
OS_STK TaskStk[1024];
TASK_USER_DATA TaskUserData;
void main (void)
    INT8U err;
     OSInit();
                                       /* Initialize μC/OS-II
                                                                 * /
    strcpy(TaskUserData.TaskName, "MyTaskName"); /* Name of task
                                                                * /
(2)
    err = OSTaskCreateExt(Task,
             (void *)0,
             &TaskStk[1023], /* Stack grows down (TOS) */
(3)
             10,
             &TaskStk[0],
                                       /* Stack grows down (BOS) */
(3)
             1024,
             (void *)&TaskUserData,
                                       /* TCB Extension
             OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK);
                                       /* Stack checking enabled */
(4)
     OSStart();
                                       /* Start Multitasking
}
void Task(void *pdata)
    pdata = pdata;
                                        /* Avoid compiler warning */
    for (;;) {
                                        /* Task code
```

```
·
}
}
```

- E2(1) We now create a task, but this time on a processor for which the stack grows upward. The Intel MCS-51 is an example of such a processor. In this case, OS_STK_GROWTH is set to 0.
- E2(2) Note that stack checking has been enabled for this task so you are allowed to call OSTaskStkChk() (TOS stands for top-of-stack and BOS stands for bottom-of-stack).

```
OS_STK *TaskStk[1024];
void main (void)
     INT8U err;
     OSInit();
                                            /* Initialize μC/OS-II
                                                                        * /
      err = OSTaskCreateExt(Task,
               (void *)0,
               &TaskStk[0],
                                           /* Stack grows up (TOS)
(1)
               10,
               10,
                                           /* Stack grows up (BOS)
                                                                        */
               &TaskStk[1023],
(1)
               1024,
               (void *)0,
               OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK);
                                           /* Stack checking enabled */
(2)
      OSStart();
                                             /* Start Multitasking
                                                                        */
}
void Task (void *pdata)
     pdata = pdata;
                                           /* Avoid compiler warning */
      for (;;) {
                                             /* Task code
                                                                        * /
      }
```

OSTaskDel()

INT8U OSTaskDel(INT8U prio);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task only	OS_TASK_DEL_EN

OSTaskDel() deletes a task by specifying the priority number of the task to delete. The calling task can be deleted by specifying its own priority number or OS_PRIO_SELF (if the task doesn't know its own priority number). The deleted task is returned to the dormant state. The deleted task can be re-created by calling either OSTaskCreate() or OSTaskCreateExt() to make the task active again.

Arguments

prio

is the priority number of the task to delete. You can delete the calling task by passing OS_PRIO_SELF, in which case the next highest priority task is executed.

Returned Value

OSTaskDel() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR	if the task doesn't delete itself.
OS_TASK_DEL_IDLE	if you try to delete the idle task, which is of course is not allowed.
OS_TASK_DEL_ERR	if the task to delete does not exist.
OS_PRIO_INVALID	if you specify a task priority higher than OS_LOWEST_PRIO.
OS_TASK_DEL_ISR	if you try to delete a task from an ISR.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. OSTaskDel() verifies that you are not attempting to delete the μ C/OS-II idle task.
- 2. You must be careful when you delete a task that owns resources. Instead, consider using OSTaskDelReq() as a safer approach.

OSTaskDelReq()

INT8U OSTaskDelReq(INT8U prio);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task only	OS_TASK_DEL_EN

OSTaskDelReq() requests that a task delete itself. Basically, use OSTaskDelReq() when you need to delete a task that can potentially own resources (e.g., the task might own a semaphore). In this case, you don't want to delete the task until the resource is released. The requesting task calls OSTaskDelReq() to indicate that the task needs to be deleted. Deletion of the task is, however, deferred to the task being deleted. In other words, the task is actually deleted when it regains control of the CPU. For example, suppose Task 10 needs to be deleted. The task wanting to delete this task (example Task 5) calls OSTaskDelReq(10). When Task 10 executes, it calls OSTaskDelReq(OS_PRIO_SELF) and monitors the return value. If the return value is OS_TASK_DEL_REQ, then Task 10 is asked to delete itself. At this point, Task 10 calls OSTaskDelReq(10) and checking the return code. If the return code is OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST, then Task 5 knows that Task 10 has been deleted. Task 5 might have to check periodically until OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST is returned.

Arguments

pric

is the task's priority number of the task to delete. If you specify OS_PRIO_SELF, you are asking whether another task wants the current task to be deleted.

Returned Value

OSTaskDelReq() returns one of the following error codes:

OS_NO_ERR	if the task deletion has been registered.		
OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST	if the task does not exist. The requesting task can monitor this return code to see if the task is actually deleted.		
OS_TASK_DEL_IDLE	if you ask to delete the idle task (which is obviously not allowed).		
OS_PRIO_INVALID	if you specify a task priority higher than OS_LOWEST_PRIO or do not specify OS_PRIO_SELF.		
OS_TASK_DEL_REQ	if a task (possibly another task) requests that the running task be deleted.		

Notes/Warnings

1. OSTaskDelReq() verifies that you are not attempting to delete the $\mu C/OS$ -II idle task.

```
void TaskThatDeletes (void *pdata) /* My priority is 5
{
    INT8U err;
     for (;;) {
       if (err == OS_NO_ERR) {
          while (err != OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST) {
             err = OSTaskDelReq(10);
             OSTimeDly(1); /* Wait for task to be deleted
* /
                               /* Task #10 has been deleted
     }
}
void TaskToBeDeleted (void *pdata) /* My priority is 10
*/
{
 pdata = pdata;
 for (;;) {
     OSTimeDly(1);
    if (OSTaskDelReq(OS_PRIO_SELF) == OS_TASK_DEL_REQ) {
       /* Release any owned resources;
* /
      /* De-allocate any dynamic memory;
       OSTaskDel(OS_PRIO_SELF);
 }
```

OSTaskNameGet()

INT8U OSTaskNameGet(INT8U prio, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_TASK.C	Task or ISR	OS_TASK_NAME_SIZE

OSTaskNameGet() allows you to obtain the name that you assigned to a task. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_TASK_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a task.

Arguments

prio is the priority of the task from which you would like to obtain the name from. If you specify OS_PRIO_SELF, you would obtain the name of the current task.

pname is a pointer to an ASCII string that will receive the name of the task. The string must be able to

hold at least OS_TASK_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL character).

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

pname.

OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST The task you specified was not created or has been deleted.

OS_PRIO_INVALID If you specified an invalid priority - a priority higher than the

idle task (OS_LOWEST_PRIO) or you didn't specify

OS_PRIO_SELF.

Returned Values

The size of the ASCII string placed in the array pointed to by pname or 0 if an error is encountered.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. The task must be created before you can use this function and obtain the name of the task.
- 2. You must ensure that you have sufficient storage in the destination string to hold the name of the task.

}

OSTaskNameSet()

void OSTaskNameSet(INT8U prio, char *pname, INT8U *err);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
New in V2.60	OS_TASK.C	Task or ISR	OS_TASK_NAME_SIZE

OSTaskNameSet() allows you to assign a name to a task. The name is an ASCII string and the size of the name can contain up to OS_TASK_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL termination). This function is typically used by a debugger to allow associating a name to a task.

Arguments

prio is the priority of the task that you want to name. If you specify OS_PRIO_SELF, you would set

the name of the current task.

pname is a pointer to an ASCII string that hold the name of the task. The string must be smaller than

or equal to OS_TASK_NAME_SIZE characters (including the NUL character).

err a pointer to an error code and can be any of the following:

OS_NO_ERR If the name of the task was set.

OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST The task you specified was not created or has been deleted.

OS_PRIO_INVALID If you specified an invalid priority - a priority higher than the

idle task (OS_LOWEST_PRIO) or you didn't specify

OS_PRIO_SELF.

Returned Values

None.

Notes/Warnings

1. The task must be created before you can use this function to set the name of the task.

```
void Task (void *pdata)
{
    INT8U err;

    pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        OSTaskNameSet(OS_PRIO_SELF, "Engine Task", &err);
        .
        .
        .
     }
}
```

OSTaskQuery()

INT8U OSTaskQuery(INT8U prio, OS_TCB *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task or ISR	N/A

OSTaskQuery() obtains information about a task. Your application must allocate an OS_TCB data structure to receive a snapshot of the desired task's control block. Your copy contains *every* field in the OS_TCB structure. You should be careful when accessing the contents of the OS_TCB structure, especially OSTCBNext and OSTCBPrev, because they point to the next and previous OS_TCBs in the chain of created tasks, respectively. You could use this function to provide a debugger kernel awareness.

Arguments

prio is the priority of the task from which you wish to obtain data. You can obtain information about

the calling task by specifying OS_PRIO_SELF.

pdata is a pointer to a structure of type OS_TCB, which contains a copy of the task's control block.

Returned Value

OSTaskQuery() returns one of these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_PRIO_ERR if you try to obtain information from an invalid task.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if you specify a priority higher than OS_LOWEST_PRIO.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. The fields in the task control block depend on the following configuration options (see OS_CFG.H):
 - OS_TASK_CREATE_EN
 - OS_Q_EN
 - OS_FLAG_EN
 - OS_MBOX_EN
 - OS_SEM_EN
 - OS_TASK_DEL_EN

OSTaskResume()

INT8U OSTaskResume(INT8U prio);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task only	OS_TASK_SUSPEND_
			EN

 ${\tt OSTaskResume()} \ \ resumes \ \ a \ \ task \ \ suspended \ \ through \ \ the \ \ OSTaskSuspend() \ \ function. \ \ In \ \ fact, \\ {\tt OSTaskResume()} \ \ is the only function that can unsuspend a suspended task. \\$

Arguments

prio specifies the priority of the task to resume.

Returned Value

OSTaskResume() returns one of the these error codes:

```
OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_TASK_RESUME_PRIO if the task you are attempting to resume does not exist.

OS_TASK_NOT_SUSPENDED if the task to resume has not been suspended.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if prio is higher or equal to OS_LOWEST_PRIO.
```

Notes/Warnings

none

OSTaskStkChk()

INT8U OSTaskStkChk(INT8U prio, OS_STK_DATA *pdata);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task code	OS_TASK_CREATE_E
			XT

OSTaskStkChk() determines a task's stack statistics. Specifically, it computes the amount of free stack space, as well as the amount of stack space used by the specified task. This function requires that the task be created with OSTaskCreateExt() and that you specify OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK in the opt argument.

Stack sizing is done by walking from the bottom of the stack and counting the number of 0 entries on the stack until a nonzero value is found. Of course, this assumes that the stack is cleared when the task is created. For that purpose, you need to set OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CLR to 1 as an option when you create the task. You could set OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CLR to 0 if your startup code clears all RAM and you never delete your tasks. This reduces the execution time of OSTaskCreateExt().

Arguments

prio

is the priority of the task about which you want to obtain stack information. You can check the

stack of the calling task by passing OS_PRIO_SELF.

pdata

is a pointer to a variable of type OS_STK_DATA, which contains the following fields:

```
/* Number of bytes free on the stack
INT32U OSFree;
INT32U OSUsed;
                      /* Number of bytes used on the stack
```

Returned Value

OSTaskStkChk() returns one of the these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR	if you specify valid arguments and the call is successful.
OS_PRIO_INVALID	if you specify a task priority higher than OS_LOWEST_PRIO or you don't specify OS_PRIO_SELF.
OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST	if the specified task does not exist.
OS_TASK_OPT_ERR	if you do not specify OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK when the task was created by OSTaskCreateExt() or if you create the task by using OSTaskCreate().

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Execution time of this task depends on the size of the task's stack and is thus nondeterministic.
- 2. Your application can determine the total task stack space (in number of bytes) by adding the two fields .OSFree and .OSUsed of the OS_STK_DATA data structure.
- Technically, this function can be called by an ISR, but because of the possibly long execution time, it is not advisable.

OSTaskSuspend()

INT8U OSTaskSuspend(INT8U prio);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
4	OS_TASK.C	Task only	OS_TASK_SUSPEND_EN

OSTaskSuspend() suspends (or blocks) execution of a task unconditionally. The calling task can be suspended by specifying its own priority number or OS_PRIO_SELF if the task doesn't know its own priority number. In this case, another task needs to resume the suspended task. If the current task is suspended, rescheduling occurs, and μ C/OS-II runs the next highest priority task ready to run. The only way to resume a suspended task is to call OSTaskResume().

Task suspension is additive, which means that if the task being suspended is delayed until n ticks expire, the task is resumed only when both the time expires and the suspension is removed. Also, if the suspended task is waiting for a semaphore and the semaphore is signaled, the task is removed from the semaphore-wait list (if it is the highest priority task waiting for the semaphore), but execution is not resumed until the suspension is removed.

Arguments

prio

specifies the priority of the task to suspend. You can suspend the calling task by passing OS_PRIO_SELF, in which case, the next highest priority task is executed.

Returned Value

OSTaskSuspend() returns one of the these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR	if the call is successful.
OS_TASK_SUSPEND_IDLE	if you attempt to suspend the _C/OS-II idle task, which is not allowed.
OS_PRIO_INVALID	if you specify a priority higher than the maximum allowed (i.e., you specify a priority of OS_LOWEST_PRIO or more) or you don't specify OS_PRIO_SELF.
OS_TASK_SUSPEND_PRIO	if the task you are attempting to suspend does not exist.

Notes/Warnings

- 1. OSTaskSuspend() and OSTaskResume() must be used in pairs.
- 2. A suspended task can only be resumed by OSTaskResume().

OSTimeDly()

void OSTimeDly(INT16U ticks);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
5	OS_TIME.C	Task only	N/A

OSTimeDly() allows a task to delay itself for an integral number of clock ticks. Rescheduling always occurs when the number of clock ticks is greater than zero. Valid delays range from one to 65,535 ticks. A delay of 0 means that the task is not delayed, and OSTimeDly() returns immediately to the caller. The actual delay time depends on the tick rate (see OS_TICKS_PER_SEC in the configuration file OS_CFG.H).

Arguments

ticks

is the number of clock ticks to delay the current task.

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Note that calling this function with a value of 0 results in no delay, and the function returns immediately to the caller
- 2. To ensure that a task delays for the specified number of ticks, you should consider using a delay value that is one tick higher. For example, to delay a task for at least 10 ticks, you should specify a value of 11.

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OSTimeDlyHMSM()

void OSTimeDlyHMSM (INT8U hours, INT8U minutes, INT8U seconds, INT8U
milli);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
5	OS_TIME.C	Task only	N/A

OSTimeDlyHMSM() allows a task to delay itself for a user-specified amount of time specified in hours, minutes, seconds, and milliseconds. This format is more convenient and natural than ticks. Rescheduling always occurs when at least one of the parameters is nonzero.

Arguments

hours is the number of hours the task is delayed. The valid range of values is 0 to 255.

minutes is the number of minutes the task is delayed. The valid range of values is 0 to 59.

seconds is the number of seconds the task is delayed. The valid range of values is 0 to 59.

milli is the number of milliseconds the task is delayed. The valid range of values is 0 to 999. Note that the resolution of this argument is in multiples of the tick rate. For instance, if the tick rate is set to 100Hz, a delay of 4ms results in no delay. The delay is rounded to the nearest tick. Thus,

a delay of 15ms actually results in a delay of 20ms.

Returned Value

OSTimeDlyHMSM() returns one of the these error codes:

OS_NO_ERR if you specify valid arguments and the call is successful.

OS_TIME_INVALID_MINUTES if the minutes argument is greater than 59.

OS_TIME_INVALID_SECONDS if the seconds argument is greater than 59.

OS_TIME_INVALID_MILLI if the milliseconds argument is greater than 999.

OS_TIME_ZERO_DLY if all four arguments are 0.

Notes/Warnings

1. Note that OSTimeDlyHMSM(0,0,0,0) (i.e., hours, minutes, seconds, milliseconds) results in no delay, and the function returns to the caller. Also, if the total delay time is longer than 65,535 clock ticks, you cannot abort the delay and resume the task by calling OSTimeDlyResume().

OSTimeDlyResume()

INT8U OSTimeDlyResume(INT8U prio);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
5	OS_TIME.C	Task only	N/A

 ${\tt OSTimeDlyResume()} \ \ resumes \ \ a \ \ task \ \ that \ \ has \ \ been \ \ delayed \ \ through \ \ a \ \ call \ \ to \ \ either \ \ OSTimeDly() \ \ or \ \ OSTimeDlyHMSM().$

Arguments

prio specifies the priority of the task to resume.

Returned Value

OSTimeDlyResume() returns one of the these error codes:

```
OS_NO_ERR if the call is successful.

OS_PRIO_INVALID if you specify a task priority greater than OS_LOWEST_PRIO.

OS_TIME_NOT_DLY if the task is not waiting for time to expire.

OS_TASK_NOT_EXIST if the task has not been created.
```

Notes/Warnings

- 1. Note that you must not call this function to resume a task that is waiting for an event with timeout. This situation makes the task look like a timeout occurred (unless you desire this effect).
- 2. You cannot resume a task that has called OSTimeDlyHMSM() with a combined time that exceeds 65,535 clock ticks. In other words, if the clock tick runs at 100Hz, you cannot resume a delayed task that called OSTimeDlyHMSM(0, 10, 55, 350) or higher.

```
(10 minutes * 60 + (55 + 0.35) seconds) * 100 ticks/second
```

OSTimeGet()

INT32U OSTimeGet(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
5	OS_TIME.C	Task or ISR	N/A

OSTimeGet() obtains the current value of the system clock. The system clock is a 32-bit counter that counts the number of clock ticks since power was applied or since the system clock was last set.

Arguments

none

Returned Value

The current system clock value (in number of ticks).

Notes/Warnings

none

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OSTimeSet()

void OSTimeSet(INT32U ticks);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
5	OS_TIME.C	Task or ISR	N/A

OSTimeSet() sets the system clock. The system clock is a 32-bit counter that counts the number of clock ticks since power was applied or since the system clock was last set.

Arguments

ticks is the desired value for the system clock, in ticks.

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

none

OSTimeTick()

void OSTimeTick(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
5	OS_TIME.C	Task or ISR	N/A

OSTimeTick() processes a clock tick. μ C/OS-II checks all tasks to see if they are either waiting for time to expire [because they called OSTimeDly() or OSTimeDlyHMSM()] or waiting for events to occur until they timeout.

Arguments

none

Returned Value

none

Notes/Warnings

1. The execution time of OSTimeTick() is directly proportional to the number of tasks created in an application. OSTimeTick() can be called by either an ISR or a task. If called by a task, the task priority should be very high (i.e., have a low priority number) because this function is responsible for updating delays and timeouts.

Example

(Intel 80x86, real mode, large model)

```
_OSTickISR PROC FAR
              PUSHA
                                                  ; Save processor context
              PUSH ES
              PUSH DS
              MOV
                     AX, SEG(_OSIntNesting)
                                                ; Reload DS
              MOV
              INC
                     BYTE PTR DS:_OSIntNesting
                                                 ; Notify \mu C/OS-II of ISR
                     BYTE PTR DS:_OSIntNesting, 1 ; if (OSIntNesting == 1)
              CMP
              JNE
                     SHORT _OSTickISR1
                     AX, SEG(_OSTCBCur)
              MOV
                                           ; Reload DS
                     DS, AX
              MOV
                     BX, DWORD PTR DS:_OSTCBCur ; OSTCBCur->OSTCBStkPtr = SS:SP
              LES
              MOV
                     ES:[BX+2], SS
              MOV
                     ES:[BX+0], SP
              CALL FAR PTR _OSTimeTick
                                                 ; Process clock tick
                                                 ; User Code to clear interrupt
              CALL FAR PTR _OSIntExit
                                                 ; Notify \mu \text{C/OS-II} of end of ISR
                                                  ; Restore processor registers
              POP DS
              POP ES
              POPA
              IRET
                                                 ; Return to interrupted task
```

OSVersion()

INT16U OSVersion(void);

Chapter	File	Called from	Code enabled by
3	OS_CORE.C	Task or ISR	N/A

OSVersion() obtains the current version of $\mu C/OS\text{-II}$.

Arguments

none

Returned Value

The version is returned as *x.yy* multiplied by 100. For example, v2.60 is returned as 260.

Notes/Warnings

none