

NAME

pthread_getattr_default_np, pthread_setattr_default_np, – get or set default thread-creation attributes

LIBRARY

POSIX threads library (*libpthread*, *-lpthread*)

SYNOPSIS

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

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

DESCRIPTION

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

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

The **pthread_getattr_default_np()** function initializes the thread attributes object referred to by *attr* so that it contains the default attributes used for thread creation.

ERRORS**EINVAL**

(**pthread_setattr_default_np()**) One of the attribute settings in *attr* is invalid, or the stack address attribute is set in *attr*.

ENOMEM

(**pthread_setattr_default_np()**) Insufficient memory.

VERSIONS

These functions are available since glibc 2.18.

ATTRIBUTES

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

Interface	Attribute	Value
pthread_getattr_default_np() , pthread_setattr_default_np()	Thread safety	MT-Safe

STANDARDS

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

EXAMPLES

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

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

Program source

```

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

int
main(void)
{
    int s;
    pthread_attr_t attr;

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

    display_pthread_attr(&attr);

    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```

SEE ALSO

pthread_attr_getaffinity_np(3), pthread_attr_getdetachstate(3), pthread_attr_getguardsize(3), pthread_attr_getinheritsched(3), pthread_attr_getschedparam(3), pthread_attr_getschedpolicy(3), pthread_attr_getscope(3), pthread_attr_getstack(3), pthread_attr_getstackaddr(3), pthread_attr_getstacksize(3), pthread_attr_init(3), pthread_create(3), pthreads(7)