Linux System Prog'g

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References

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Topics

- Important header files
- Errors
- Linux API

Important Linux Header Files

directory entries

fcntl.h file control

mqueue.h message queues

pthread.h threads

regex.h regular expressions

termios.h terminal I/O

unistd symbolic constants

utime.h file times

arpa/inet.h internet definitions

netinet/in.h internet address family

netinet/tcp.h TCP definitions

• strings.h string operations

ulimit.h user limits

Linux Sys Header Files

• sys/ipc.h IPC

• sys/msg.h message queues

sys/mman.h memory management

sys/sem.h semaphores

sys/shm.h shared memory

sys/socket.h sockets interface

sys/stat.hfile status

sys/time.h time types

• sys/times.h process times

• sys/types.h primitive system types

sys/wait.h process control

Linux API Error Protocols

- Integer returns:
 - Success returns 0
 - Failure returns a small integer, often -1
- Pointer
 - Success returns pointer to content
 - Failure returns 0 (null)
- Find symbolic error names with
 - man 3 errno, and scroll down a little

Linux System Calls

- System calls list
- Annotated list of system calls
- Quick Reference for Linux System Calls
- Anatomy of Linux System Calls

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