

NAME

pthread_rwlock_init - initialize a read/write lock

LIBRARY

POSIX Threads Library (libpthread, -lpthread)

SYNOPSIS

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#include <pthread.h>
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int

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pthread_rwlock_init(pthread_rwlock_t *restrict lock, const pthread_rwlockattr_t *restrict attr);
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DESCRIPTION

The **pthread_rwlock_init()** function is used to initialize a read/write lock, with attributes specified by *attr*. If *attr* is NULL, the default read/write lock attributes are used.

The results of calling **pthread_rwlock_init()** with an already initialized lock are undefined.

RETURN VALUES

If successful, the **pthread_rwlock_init()** function will return zero. Otherwise an error number will be returned to indicate the error.

ERRORS

The **pthread_rwlock_init()** function will fail if:

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| [EAGAIN] | The system lacked the necessary resources (other than memory) to initialize the lock. |
| [ENOMEM] | Insufficient memory exists to initialize the lock. |
| [EPERM] | The caller does not have sufficient privilege to perform the operation. |

The **pthread_rwlock_init()** function may fail if:

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| [EBUSY] | The system has detected an attempt to re-initialize the object referenced by <i>lock</i> , a previously initialized but not yet destroyed read/write lock. |
| [EINVAL] | The value specified by <i>attr</i> is invalid. |

SEE ALSO

pthread_rwlock_destroy(3), pthread_rwlockattr_init(3), pthread_rwlockattr_setpshared(3)

STANDARDS

The **pthread_rwlock_init()** function is expected to conform to Version 2 of the Single UNIX Specification ("SUSv2").

HISTORY

The **pthread_rwlock_init()** function first appeared in FreeBSD 3.0.