

NAME

unw_init_remote -- initialize cursor for remote unwinding

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <libunwind.h>
```

```
int unw_init_remote(unw_cursor_t *c, unw_addr_space_t as, void *arg);
```

DESCRIPTION

The `unw_init_remote()` routine initializes the unwind cursor pointed to by `c` for unwinding in the address space identified by `as`. The `as` argument can either be set to `unw_local_addr_space` (local address space) or to an arbitrary address space created with `unw_create_addr_space()`.

The `arg` opaque pointer tells the address space exactly what entity should be unwound. For example, if `unw_local_addr_space` is passed in `as`, then `arg` needs to be a pointer to a context structure containing the machine-state of the initial stack frame. However, other address spaces may instead expect a process ID, a thread ID, or a pointer to an arbitrary structure which identifies the stack frame chain to be unwound. In other words, the interpretation of `arg` is entirely dependent on the address space in use; `libunwind` never interprets the argument in any way on its own.

Note that `unw_init_remote()` can be used to initiate unwinding in *any* process, including the local process in which the unwinder itself is running. However, for local unwinding, it is generally preferable to use `unw_init_local()` instead, because it is easier to use and because it may perform better.

RETURN VALUE

On successful completion, `unw_init_remote()` returns 0. Otherwise the negative value of one of the error-codes below is returned.

THREAD AND SIGNAL SAFETY

`unw_init_remote()` is thread safe. If the local address space is passed in argument `as`, this routine is also safe to use from a signal handler.

ERRORS**UNW_EINVAL**

`unw_init_remote()` was called in a version of `libunwind` which supports local unwinding only (this normally happens when defining `UNW_LOCAL_ONLY` before including `<libunwind.h>` and then calling `unw_init_remote()`).

UNW_EUNSPEC

An unspecified error occurred.

UNW_EBADREG

A register needed by `unw_init_remote()` wasn't accessible.

SEE ALSO

`libunwind(3libunwind)`, `unw_create_addr_space(3libunwind)`, `unw_init_local(3libunwind)`

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