

NAME

cacheflush - flush contents of instruction and/or data cache

SYNOPSIS

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#include <asm/cachectl.h>
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int cacheflush(char *addr, int nbytes, int cache);
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DESCRIPTION

cacheflush() flushes the contents of the indicated cache(s) for the user addresses in the range *addr* to *(addr+nbytes-1)*. *cache* may be one of:

ICACHE

Flush the instruction cache.

DCACHE

Write back to memory and invalidate the affected valid cache lines.

BCACHE

Same as (**ICACHE|DCACHE**).

RETURN VALUE

cacheflush() returns 0 on success or -1 on error. If errors are detected, *errno* will indicate the error.

ERRORS**EFAULT**

Some or all of the address range *addr* to *(addr+nbytes-1)* is not accessible.

EINVAL

cache is not one of **ICACHE**, **DCACHE**, or **BCACHE**.

CONFORMING TO

This Linux-specific system call is available only on MIPS-based systems. It should not be used in programs intended to be portable.

BUGS

The current implementation ignores the *addr* and *nbytes* arguments. Therefore, the whole cache is always flushed.

COLOPHON

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