NAME

pthread_attr_setinheritsched, pthread_attr_getinheritsched - set/get inherit-scheduler attribute in thread attributes object

SYNOPSIS

#include <pthread.h>

int pthread_attr_setinheritsched(pthread_attr_t *attr**,**
int inheritsched**);**
int pthread_attr_getinheritsched(const pthread_attr_t *attr**,**
int *inheritsched**);**

Compile and link with *-pthread*.

DESCRIPTION

The **pthread_attr_setinheritsched**() function sets the inherit-scheduler attribute of the thread attributes object referred to by *attr* to the value specified in *inheritsched*. The inherit-scheduler attribute determines whether a thread created using the thread attributes object *attr* will inherit its scheduling attributes from the calling thread or whether it will take them from *attr*.

The following scheduling attributes are affected by the inherit-scheduler attribute: scheduling policy (pthread_attr_setschedpolicy(3)), scheduling priority (pthread_attr_setschedparam(3)), and contention scope (pthread_attr_setscope(3)).

The following values may be specified in *inheritsched*:

PTHREAD_INHERIT_SCHED
Threads that are created using *attr* inherit scheduling attributes from the creating thread; the scheduling attributes in *attr* are ignored.

PTHREAD_EXPLICIT_SCHED
Threads that are created using *attr* take their scheduling attributes from the values specified by the attributes object.

The default setting of the inherit-scheduler attribute in a newly initialized thread attributes object is **PTHREAD_INHERIT_SCHED**.

The **pthread_attr_getinheritsched**() returns the inherit-scheduler attribute of the thread attributes object *attr* in the buffer pointed to by *inheritsched*.

RETURN VALUE

On success, these functions return 0; on error, they return a nonzero error number.

ERRORS

pthread_attr_setinheritsched() can fail with the following error:

EINVAL
Invalid value in *inheritsched*.

POSIX.1 also documents an optional **ENOTSUP** error ("attempt was made to set the attribute to an unsupported value") for **pthread_attr_setinheritsched**().

ATTRIBUTES

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

Interface	Attribute	Value
pthread_attr_setinheritsched(), **pthread_attr_getinheritsched**()	Thread safety	MT-Safe

CONFORMING TO

POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008.

BUGS

As at glibc 2.8, if a thread attributes object is initialized using pthread_attr_init(3), then the scheduling policy of the attributes object is set to **SCHED_OTHER** and the scheduling priority is set to 0. However, if the inherit-scheduler attribute is then set to **PTHREAD_EXPLICIT_SCHED**, then a thread created using the attribute object wrongly inherits its scheduling attributes from the creating thread. This bug does not occur if either the scheduling policy or scheduling priority attribute is explicitly set in the thread attributes object before calling pthread_create(3).

EXAMPLE

See pthread_setschedparam(3).

SEE ALSO

pthread_attr_init(3), pthread_attr_setschedparam(3), pthread_attr_setschedpolicy(3), pthread_attr_setscope(3), pthread_create(3), pthread_setschedparam(3), pthread_setschedprio(3), pthreads(7), sched(7)

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