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PTHREAD_MUTEX_TIMEDLOCK(3P)POSIX Programmer's ManuaPTHREAD_MUTEX_TIMEDLOCK(3P)

PROLOG

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NAME

pthread_mutex_timedlock ? lock a mutex

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <pthread.h>
#include <time.h>
int pthread_mutex_timedlock(pthread_mutex_t *restrict mutex,
    const struct timespec *restrict abstime);
```

DESCRIPTION

The pthread_mutex_timedlock() function shall lock the mutex object referenced by mutex. If the mutex is already locked, the calling thread shall block until the mutex becomes available as in the pthread_mutex_lock() function. If the mutex cannot be locked without waiting for another thread to unlock the mutex, this wait shall be terminated when the specified timeout expires.

The timeout shall expire when the absolute time specified by abstime passes, as measured by the clock on which timeouts are based (that is, when the value of that clock equals or exceeds abstime), or if the ab?

solute time specified by `abstime` has already been passed at the time of the call.

The timeout shall be based on the `CLOCK_REALTIME` clock. The resolution of the timeout shall be the resolution of the clock on which it is based. The `timespec` data type is defined in the `<time.h>` header.

Under no circumstance shall the function fail with a timeout if the mutex can be locked immediately. The validity of the `abstime` parameter need not be checked if the mutex can be locked immediately.

As a consequence of the priority inheritance rules (for mutexes initialized with the `PRIO_INHERIT` protocol), if a timed mutex wait is terminated because its timeout expires, the priority of the owner of the mutex shall be adjusted as necessary to reflect the fact that this thread is no longer among the threads waiting for the mutex.

If mutex is a robust mutex and the process containing the owning thread terminated while holding the mutex lock, a call to `pthread_mutex_timedlock()` shall return the error value `[EOWNERDEAD]`. If mutex is a robust mutex and the owning thread terminated while holding the mutex lock, a call to `pthread_mutex_timedlock()` may return the error value `[EOWNERDEAD]` even if the process in which the owning thread resides has not terminated. In these cases, the mutex is locked by the thread but the state it protects is marked as inconsistent. The application should ensure that the state is made consistent for reuse and when that is complete call `pthread_mutex_consistent()`. If the application is unable to recover the state, it should unlock the mutex without a prior call to `pthread_mutex_consistent()`, after which the mutex is marked permanently unusable.

If mutex does not refer to an initialized mutex object, the behavior is undefined.

RETURN VALUE

If successful, the `pthread_mutex_timedlock()` function shall return zero; otherwise, an error number shall be returned to indicate the error.

ERRORS

The `pthread_mutex_timedlock()` function shall fail if:

EAGAIN The mutex could not be acquired because the maximum number of recursive locks for mutex has been exceeded.

EDEADLK

The mutex type is `PTHREAD_MUTEX_ERRORCHECK` and the current thread already owns the mutex.

EINVAL The mutex was created with the protocol attribute having the value `PTHREAD_PRIO_PROTECT` and the calling thread's priority is higher than the mutex' current priority ceiling.

EINVAL The process or thread would have blocked, and the abstime parameter specified a nanoseconds field value less than zero or greater than or equal to 1000 million.

ENOTRECOVERABLE

The state protected by the mutex is not recoverable.

EOWNERDEAD

The mutex is a robust mutex and the process containing the previous owning thread terminated while holding the mutex lock. The mutex lock shall be acquired by the calling thread and it is up to the new owner to make the state consistent.

ETIMEDOUT

The mutex could not be locked before the specified timeout expired.

The `pthread_mutex_timedlock()` function may fail if:

EDEADLK

A deadlock condition was detected.

EOWNERDEAD

The mutex is a robust mutex and the previous owning thread terminated while holding the mutex lock. The mutex lock shall be acquired by the calling thread and it is up to the new owner to make the state consistent.

This function shall not return an error code of `[EINTR]`.

The following sections are informative.

None.

APPLICATION USAGE

Applications that have assumed that non-zero return values are errors will need updating for use with robust mutexes, since a valid return for a thread acquiring a mutex which is protecting a currently inconsistent state is [EOWNERDEAD]. Applications that do not check the error returns, due to ruling out the possibility of such errors arising, should not use robust mutexes. If an application is supposed to work with normal and robust mutexes, it should check all return values for error conditions and if necessary take appropriate action.

RATIONALE

Refer to `pthread_mutex_lock()`.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

None.

SEE ALSO

`pthread_mutex_destroy()`, `pthread_mutex_lock()`, `time()`

The Base Definitions volume of POSIX.1-2017, Section 4.12, Memory Synchronization, `<pthread.h>`, `<time.h>`

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