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# Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'stailq.3' command

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STAILQ(3) Linux Programmer's Manual STAILQ(3)

NAME

STAILQ\_CONCAT, STAILQ\_EMPTY, STAILQ\_ENTRY, STAILQ\_FIRST, STAILQ\_FORE?

ACH, STAILQ\_HEAD, STAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER, STAILQ\_INIT, STAILQ\_IN?

SERT\_AFTER, STAILQ\_INSERT\_HEAD, STAILQ\_INSERT\_TAIL, STAILQ\_NEXT,

STAILQ\_REMOVE, STAILQ\_REMOVE\_HEAD, - implementation of a singly linked

tail queue

### **SYNOPSIS**

#include <sys/queue.h>

void STAILQ\_CONCAT(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head1, STAILQ\_HEAD \*head2);

int STAILQ\_EMPTY(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head);

STAILQ\_ENTRY(TYPE);

struct TYPE \*STAILQ\_FIRST(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head);

STAILQ\_FOREACH(struct TYPE \*var, STAILQ\_HEAD \*head, STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

STAILQ\_HEAD(HEADNAME, TYPE);

STAILQ\_HEAD STAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER(STAILQ\_HEAD head);

void STAILQ\_INIT(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head);

void STAILQ\_INSERT\_AFTER(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*listelm,

struct TYPE \*elm, STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void STAILQ\_INSERT\_HEAD(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*elm,

STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void STAILQ\_INSERT\_TAIL(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*elm,

STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

struct TYPE \*STAILQ\_NEXT(struct TYPE \*elm, STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void STAILQ\_REMOVE(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*elm, TYPE,

STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void STAILQ\_REMOVE\_HEAD(STAILQ\_HEAD \*head, STAILQ\_ENTRY NAME); DESCRIPTION

These macros define and operate on singly linked tail queues. In the macro definitions, TYPE is the name of a user-defined structure, that must contain a field of type STAILQ\_ENTRY, named NAME. The argu? ment HEADNAME is the name of a user-defined structure that must be de? clared using the macro STAILQ\_HEAD().

A singly linked tail queue is headed by a structure defined by the STAILQ\_HEAD() macro. This structure contains a pair of pointers, one to the first element in the tail queue and the other to the last ele? ment in the tail queue. The elements are singly linked for minimum space and pointer manipulation overhead at the expense of O(n) removal for arbitrary elements. New elements can be added to the tail queue after an existing element, at the head of the tail queue, or at the end of the tail queue. A STAILQ\_HEAD structure is declared as follows:

STAILQ\_HEAD(HEADNAME, TYPE) head;

where struct HEADNAME is the structure to be defined, and struct TYPE is the type of the elements to be linked into the tail queue. A pointer to the head of the tail queue can later be declared as:

struct HEADNAME \*headp;

(The names head and headp are user selectable.)

The macro STAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER() evaluates to an initializer for the tail queue head.

The macro STAILQ\_CONCAT() concatenates the tail queue headed by head2 onto the end of the one headed by head1 removing all entries from the former.

The macro STAILQ\_EMPTY() evaluates to true if there are no items on the tail queue.

The macro STAILQ\_ENTRY() declares a structure that connects the ele? ments in the tail queue.

The macro STAILQ\_FIRST() returns the first item on the tail queue or

NULL if the tail queue is empty.

The macro STAILQ\_FOREACH() traverses the tail queue referenced by head

in the forward direction, assigning each element in turn to var.

The macro STAILQ\_INIT() initializes the tail queue referenced by head.

The macro STAILQ\_INSERT\_HEAD() inserts the new element elm at the head of the tail queue.

The macro STAILQ\_INSERT\_TAIL() inserts the new element elm at the end of the tail queue.

The macro STAILQ\_INSERT\_AFTER() inserts the new element elm after the element listelm.

The macro STAILQ\_NEXT() returns the next item on the tail queue, or

NULL this item is the last.

The macro STAILQ\_REMOVE\_HEAD() removes the element at the head of the

tail queue. For optimum efficiency, elements being removed from the

head of the tail queue should use this macro explicitly rather than the

generic STAILQ\_REMOVE() macro.

The macro STAILQ\_REMOVE() removes the element elm from the tail queue.

## RETURN VALUE

STAILQ\_EMPTY() returns nonzero if the queue is empty, and zero if the queue contains at least one entry.

queue contains at least one entry.

STAILQ\_FIRST(), and STAILQ\_NEXT() return a pointer to the first or next

TYPE structure, respectively.

STAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER() returns an initializer that can be assigned

to the queue head.

#### CONFORMING TO

Not in POSIX.1, POSIX.1-2001 or POSIX.1-2008. Present on the BSDs

(STAILQ macros first appeared in 4.4BSD).

#### BUGS

The macro STAILQ\_FOREACH() doesn't allow var to be removed or freed within the loop, as it would interfere with the traversal. The macro STAILQ\_FOREACH\_SAFE(), which is present on the BSDs but is not present in glibc, fixes this limitation by allowing var to safely be removed from the list and freed from within the loop without interfering with

the traversal.

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EXAMPLES
    #include <stddef.h>
    #include <stdio.h>
    #include <stdlib.h>
    #include <sys/queue.h>
    struct entry {
      int data;
      STAILQ_ENTRY(entry) entries;
                                       /* Singly linked tail queue. */
   };
    STAILQ_HEAD(stailhead, entry);
   int
    main(void)
    {
      struct entry *n1, *n2, *n3, *np;
      struct stailhead head;
                                   /* Singly linked tail queue
                              head. */
      STAILQ_INIT(&head);
                                      /* Initialize the queue. */
      n1 = malloc(sizeof(struct entry)); /* Insert at the head. */
      STAILQ_INSERT_HEAD(&head, n1, entries);
      n1 = malloc(sizeof(struct entry)); /* Insert at the tail. */
      STAILQ_INSERT_TAIL(&head, n1, entries);
      n2 = malloc(sizeof(struct entry)); /* Insert after. */
      STAILQ_INSERT_AFTER(&head, n1, n2, entries);
      STAILQ_REMOVE(&head, n2, entry, entries);/* Deletion. */
      free(n2);
      n3 = STAILQ_FIRST(&head);
      STAILQ_REMOVE_HEAD(&head, entries); /* Deletion from the head. */
      free(n3);
      n1 = STAILQ_FIRST(&head);
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n1->data = 0;

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n1 = malloc(sizeof(struct entry));
        STAILQ_INSERT_HEAD(&head, n1, entries);
        n1 \rightarrow data = i;
      }
                           /* Forward traversal. */
      STAILQ_FOREACH(np, &head, entries)
        printf("%i\n", np->data);
                           /* TailQ Deletion. */
      n1 = STAILQ_FIRST(&head);
      while (n1 != NULL) {
        n2 = STAILQ_NEXT(n1, entries);
        free(n1);
        n1 = n2;
      }
      STAILQ_INIT(&head);
      exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
   }
SEE ALSO
    insque(3), queue(7)
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