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1. Introduction

1.1 Objective

This document presents the results of the robustness testing performed in the Real Time Executive for Multiprocessor Systems (RTEMS) version 4.5.0. This evaluation is performed in the scope of the Call-off Order number 02 under project Software Dependability and Safety Evaluations, ESTEC/Contract N° 16582/02/NL/PA.

The main goal of this document is to define the test cases to perform on RTEMS, as well as the results driven from these tests along with the methodology applied in the definition and execution of the tests.

1.2 Scope

This report the deliverable of the DL-RAMS02-02-02 of the Call-off Order number 02 under project Software Dependability and Safety Evaluations, ESTEC/Contract N° 16582/02/NL/PA and presents the results of WP310 and WP320.

1.3 Audience

This document is targeted at several groups of readers, namely:

- “Software Dependability and Safety Evaluations” team members and in particular the Call-off Order 2 team members.
- Space software staff involved in the development of RTEMS related software.
- Space software product assurance staff.
- Management and technical ESA/ESTEC staff.

1.4 Acronyms

| Acronyms | Description |
|----------|---|
| API | Application Programming Interface |
| CSW | Critical Software, S.A. |
| TBD | To Be Defined |
| TBC | To Be Confirmed |
| POSIX | Portable Operating System Interface |
| RAMS | Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and Safety |
| RTEMS | Real Time Executive for Multiprocessor Systems |

Table 1 Definitions and Acronyms

1.5 Document Structure

This document has the following structure:

- | | |
|-----------|--|
| Chapter 1 | Introduces the document, as well as the document scope, intended audience and a list of acronyms and references used through out the document. |
| Chapter 2 | Presents the test methodology and the fault model used in the robustness testing of RTEMS. |
| Chapter 3 | Presents the templates used for the definition of the test campaigns and test suits and the templates used for the presentation of the test cases results. |

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|-----------|--|
| Chapter 4 | Summarizes the results obtained in evaluation of the RTEMS 4.5.0. |
| Annex A | Presents the test campaigns and test suites definition as well the results of the execution of the tests. It also provides an analysis of the results of each of the test cases. |
| Annex B | Contains the source code of all of the workloads, including the Classic and POSIX, used in the evaluation of the RTEMS 4.5.0 |

Annex A and Annex B are available as a separate volume of this document.

1.6 References

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2. Test Methodology and Fault Model

2.1 Test Methodology

The methodology used in this robustness testing of the RTEMS real-time kernel, consists in testing the RTEMS API calls using out-of-bound parameters.

This methodology is composed by several phases:

- Preparation – including all the tasks needed to define the test cases.
- Test Execution – execution of the defined test cases.
- Log Analysis – analysis of the results of the test cases and identification of the RTEMS faults.

Preparation phase comprises the following tasks:

- Product Analysis and scope definition – analysis of the product under evaluation (i.e. the RTEMS 4.5.0) and selection of the API calls that will be subjected to the evaluation.
- Fault Model Definition – definition of the in-bound and out-of-bound values that will be used for each of the RTEMS data types.
- Construction of the workloads – definition and implementation of the applications that will exercise the RTEMS APIs.
- Definition of the test campaigns and test suites – definition of the test suites that will be used to automatically generate the test cases. Test suites are grouped logically in test campaigns.

The Test Execution phase follows the Preparation. During this phase test cases are executed and the results are collected in a database. This task is performed in unattended mode by Xception.

The final phase of the robustness testing is the Log Analysis. In this phase detailed analysis of the log of each test case is performed comparing the obtained results against the expected values. This phase can be time consuming. For this reason it is important to have a concise workload output that enables the analyst to quickly find out if the result of the test case is consistent with the input parameters or not.

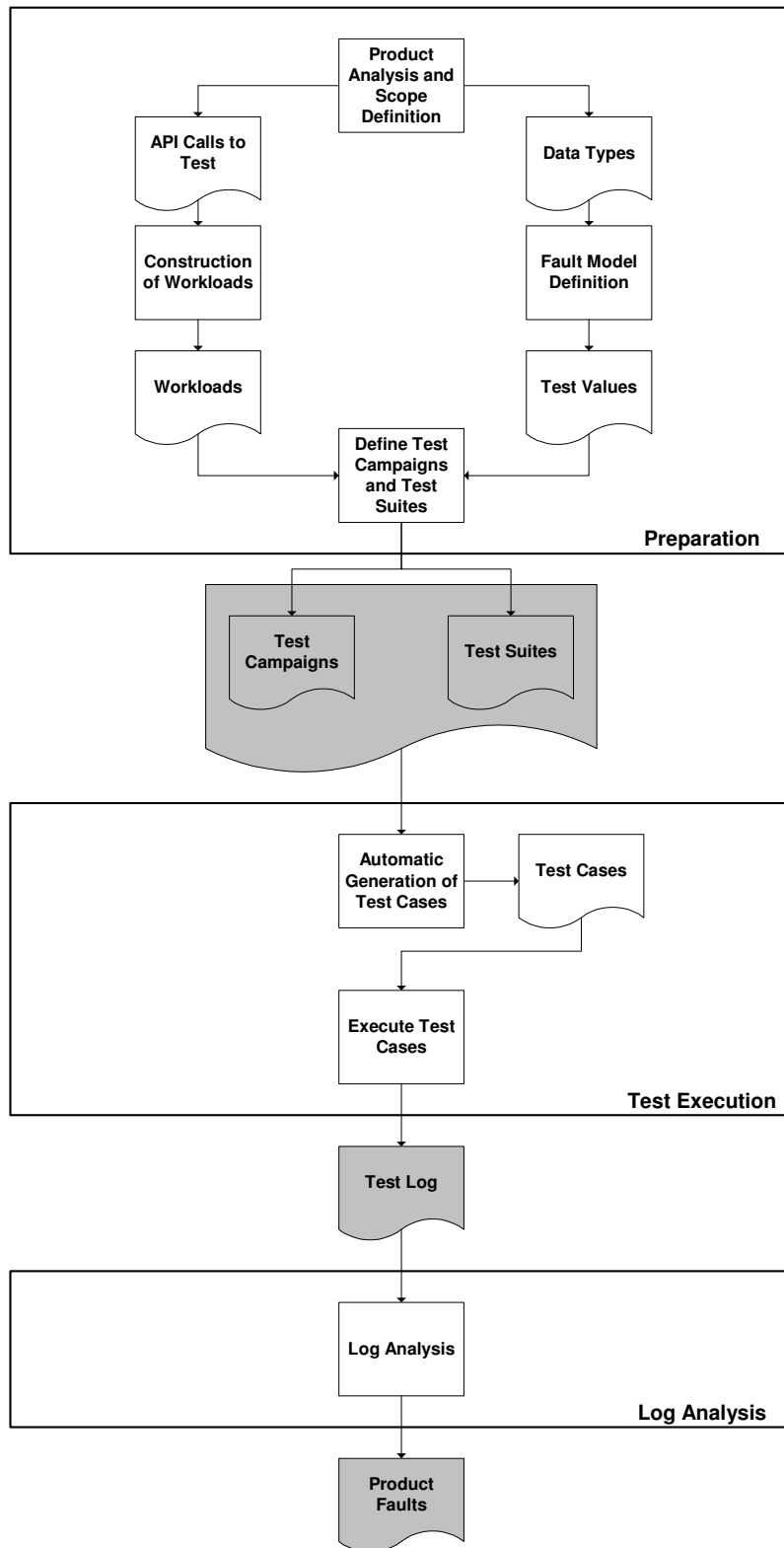


Figure 1 - Robustness Testing Methodology

The next sections provide details of the *Product Analysis and scope definition* and *Fault Model Definition* tasks performed in the evaluation of the RTEMS.

The definition of the test campaigns and test suites as well as the analysis of the test cases execution is presented in the annex A of this document.

The source code of the workloads can be found in annex B.

2.2 Product Analysis and Scope Definition

The Real Time Executive for Multiprocessor Systems (RTEMS) is a real time executive that provides a high performance environment for embedded critical and military applications including the following features:

- Multitasking capabilities;
- Homogeneous and heterogeneous multiprocessor systems support;
- Event-driven, priority based, pre-emptive scheduling;
- Optional rate monotonic scheduling;
- Intertask communication and synchronisation;
- Priority Inheritance mechanisms;
- Responsive interrupt management;
- Dynamic memory allocation;
- High level of user configurability.

The internal architecture for RTEMS can be viewed as a set of layers that work closely with each other to provide the set of services to the real time applications. The executive interface presented to the application is formed by directives (RTEMS API Calls) grouped into logical sets called resource managers.

RTEMS 4.5.0 provides several APIs for real time application programming. Two of this APIs were subject to this evaluation: the Classic API and the POSIX API (see Figure 2 and Figure 3). The Classic is the native and older RTEMS API. The POSIX API is intended for compliance of the kernel with the IEEE Std 1003 POSIX standard.

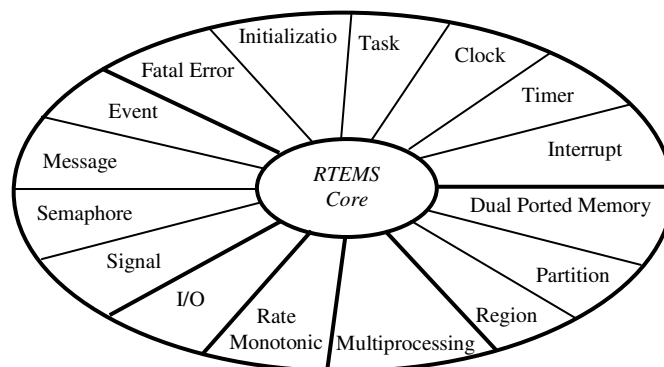


Figure 2. RTEMS Classic API Internal Architecture

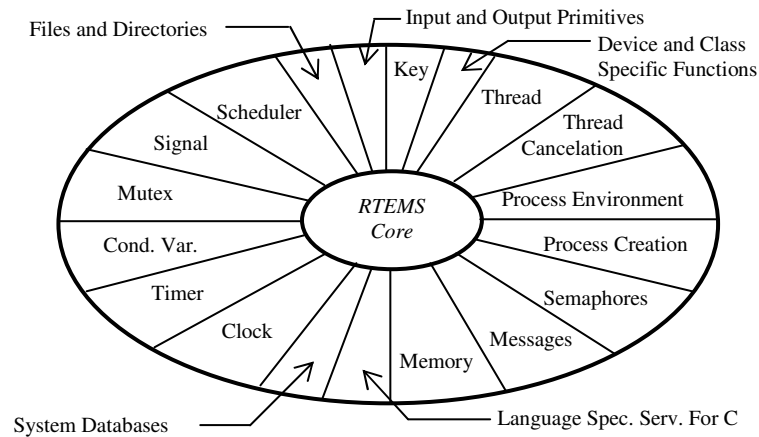


Figure 3 - RTEMS POSIX API Internal Architecture

Although almost all of the directives of the RTEMS Classic API were subject to this evaluation the same was not done for the POSIX API. For further details on the scope definition please refer to [1] chapter 3.

2.3 Fault Model Definition

The test values for the basic data types used in this evaluation were defined taking into account previous experience from the application of the robustness testing methodology at Critical Software SA and elsewhere namely from Ballista project [6].

Table 2 shows the test values used for basic data types.

| Type Name | Test Values ¹ |
|--------------------|---|
| char | 0, 255 |
| signed char | 0, -128, 127 |
| int | 0, 1, -1, 2147483647, -2147483648 |
| unsigned int | 0, 1, 18446744073709551615 |
| short int | 0, 1, -1, 32767, -32768 |
| unsigned short int | 0, 1, 65535 |
| long | 0, 1, -1, 9223372036854775807, -9223372036854775808 |
| unsigned long | 0, 1, 18446744073709551615 |
| pointers | NULL |

Table 2 - Test Values for Basic Data Types

Note that all RTEMS data types derive from these basic data types. Thus, the test values used for each of the RTEMS data types are the ones presented for the corresponding basic data type.

For complete list of the RTEMS data types and the respective test values please refer to [1].

2.4 Workloads

In order to perform the evaluation it is required to have some application that exercises the RTEMS directives under test. These applications are called the workloads.

¹ Test Values typically include MAXIMUM and MINIMUM values of the corresponding type.

For the evaluation of the RTEMS 4.5.0 it was decided to have one workload for each of the resource managers under test. Each of these workloads exercises the directives of the corresponding manager.

A total of 19 workloads were constructed during the preparation phase of this evaluation, 14 corresponding to the Classic API and 5 to the POSIX API.

| API | Workloads |
|--------------|-----------|
| Classic | 14 |
| POSIX | 5 |
| Total | 19 |

Table 3 - Workloads Defined

The source code of the defined workloads can be found in Annex B.

2.5 Definition of Test Campaigns and Test Suites

During the preparation phase of this evaluation test campaigns and test suites were defined. One campaign was defined for each of the RTEMS resource managers under test. Each campaign includes one test suite for each directive of the corresponding manager.

A total of 19 campaigns were defined, 14 for the Classic resource managers and 5 for the POSIX resource managers.

Table 4 shows the number of tests suites defined for both Classic and POSIX RTEMS APIs.

| API | Number of Test Suites |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| Classic | 56 |
| POSIX | 37 |
| Total | 93 |

Table 4 - Number of Test Suites Defined

3. Documentation Templates

The following templates are used throughout the document in the definition of the test campaigns, test suites and in the presentation of the test cases results.

3.1 Test Campaign Definition Template

The following table is used to specify the characteristics of a test campaign.

| Test Campaign Definition | |
|------------------------------|----|
| Campaign Identifier: | |
| Purpose: | |
| Workload File: | |
| Test Suites: | 1. |
| Workload Description: | |

Table 5 Test Campaign Definition Template

3.1.1 Campaign Identifier

This field identifies the test campaign name. The following naming convention is used:

RTEMS-CMP-<API INTERFACE ID>-<RTEMS MANAGER ID>

(e.g. RTEMS-CMP-CL-TSK)

- RTEMS – The acronym of the product under evaluation
- CMP – stands for campaign
- <API INTERFACE ID> - Identifier of the API to be tested by the campaign (refer to Table 6)
- <RTEMS MANAGER ID> - Identifier of the resource manager to be tested by the campaign (refer to Table 7).

| API Interface Abbreviation | Description |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| CL | Classic |
| PX | POSIX |

Table 6 API Interface Identifiers

| RTEMS Manager Abbreviation | Description | API Interface(s) |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| TSK | Task Manager | CL |
| INT | Interrupt Manager | CL |
| CLK | Clock Manager | CL, PX |
| TMR | Timer Manager | CL, PX |
| SMP | Semaphore Manager | CL |
| MSG | Message Manager | CL, PX |

| | | |
|-----|-------------------------|--------|
| EVT | Event Manager | CL |
| SGL | Signal Manager | CL, PX |
| PRT | Partition Manager | CL |
| RGN | Region Manager | CL |
| IO | Input Output Manager | CL |
| FER | Fatal Error Manager | CL |
| RMT | Rate Monotonic Manager | CL |
| UEX | User Extensions Manager | CL |
| MTX | Mutex Manager | PX |

Table 7 RTEMS Manager Identifiers

3.1.2 Purpose

Describes the purpose of this test campaign.

3.1.3 Workload File

Provides the name and reference to the related workload implementation file. The workloads source code can be found in the Annex B of this document.

3.1.4 Test Suites

Lists the test suites of this specific test campaign.

3.1.5 Workload Description

Provides details regarding to workload implementation.

3.2 Test Suite Definition Template

The following table is used in the definition of a test suite.

| Test Suite Definition |
|-------------------------------|
| Test Suite Identifier: |
| Purpose: |
| Fault Location(s): |
| Test Item: |
| Generated Test Cases: |

Table 8 Test Suite Definition Template

3.2.1 Test Suite Identifier

Uniquely identifies the test suite.

The identifier used follows the naming convention:

RTEMS-TS-<API INTERFACE ID>-<RTEMS DIRECTIVE>

(e.g. RTEMS-TS-CL-TSKCRT)

- RTEMS – The acronym of the product under evaluation
- TS – stands for Test Suite

- <API INTERFACE ID> - Identifier of the API to be tested by the campaign (refer to Table 6)
- <RTEMS DIRECTIVE> - Identifier of the RTEMS directive (e.g API call) to be tested by the test suite (refer to Table 9).

| RTEMS API Abbreviation | API Name | API Interface(s) |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| TSKCRT | rtems_task_create | CL |
| TSKSTR | rtems_task_start | CL |
| TSKRST | rtems_task_restart | CL |
| TSKDLT | rtems_task_delete | CL |
| TSKRSM | rtems_task_resume | CL |
| TSKSPT | rtems_task_set_priority | CL |
| TSKMOD | rtems_task_mode | CL |
| CLKSET | rtems_clock_set | CL |
| CLKTCK | rtems_clock_tick | CL |
| TMRCRT | rtems_timer_create | CL |
| TMRDLT | rtems_timer_delete | CL |
| TMRFAF | rtems_timer_fire_after | CL |
| TMRWHN | rtems_timer_fire_when | CL |
| TMRRST | rtems_timer_reset | CL |
| INTCTC | rtems_interrupt_catch | CL |
| PRTCRT | rtems_partition_create | CL |
| PRTGBF | rtems_partition_get_buffer | CL |
| PRTRBF | rtems_partition_return_buffer | CL |
| PRTDLT | rtems_partition_delete | CL |
| UEXCRT | rtems_extension_create | CL |
| UEXDLT | rtems_extension_delete | CL |
| SMPCRT | rtems_semaphore_create | CL |
| SMPDLT | rtems_semaphore_delete | CL |
| SMPOBT | rtems_semaphore_obtain | CL |
| SMPRLS | rtems_semaphore_release | CL |
| SMPFLS | rtems_semaphore_flush | CL |
| SGLCTC | rtems_signal_catch | CL |
| SGLSND | rtems_signal_send | CL |
| RMTCRT | rtems_rate_monotonic_create | CL |
| RMTDLT | rtems_rate_monotonic_delete | CL |
| RMTCNL | rtems_rate_monotonic_cancel | CL |
| RMTPRD | rtems_rate_monotonic_period | CL |
| RGNCRT | rtems_region_create | CL |
| RGNGSG | rtems_region_get_segment | CL |
| RGNGSS | rtems_region_get_segment_size | CL |
| RGNDLT | rtems_region_delete | CL |
| RGNEXT | rtems_region_extend | CL |
| MSGCRT | rtems_message_queue_create | CL |
| MSGDLT | rtems_message_queue_delete | CL |
| MSGSND | rtems_message_queue_send | CL |
| MSGURG | rtems_message_queue_urgent | CL |
| MSGBRD | rtems_message_queue_broadcast | CL |

| | | |
|--------|---|----|
| MSGRCV | rtems_message_queue_receive | CL |
| MSGFSH | rtems_message_queue_flush | CL |
| MSGGNP | rtems_message_queue_get_message_pending | CL |
| PRTCRT | rtems_port_create | CL |
| PRTDLT | rtems_port_delete | CL |
| IOINI | rtems_io_initialize | CL |
| IOREG | rtems_io_register_name | CL |
| IOOPN | rtems_io_open | CL |
| IOCLS | rtems_io_close | CL |
| IOREAD | rtems_io_read | CL |
| IOWRT | rtems_io_write | CL |
| IOCTL | rtems_io_control | CL |
| FEROCC | rtems_fatal_error_occured | CL |
| EVTSND | rtems_event_send | CL |
| EVTRCV | rtems_event_receive | CL |
| SGLSAS | sigaddset | PX |
| SGLSDS | sigdelset | PX |
| SGLSFS | sigfillset | PX |
| SGLSES | sigemptyset | PX |
| SGLSAC | sigaction | PX |
| SGLPTK | pthread_kill | PX |
| SGLSPM | sigprocmask | PX |
| SGLKIL | kill | PX |
| SGLSUS | sigsuspend | PX |
| SGLSWI | sigwaitinfo | PX |
| SGLSTO | sigtimedout | PX |
| MTXMAI | pthread_mutexattr_init | PX |
| MTXMAD | pthread_mutexattr_destroy | PX |
| MTXAPT | pthread_mutexattr_setprotocol | PX |
| MTXACL | pthread_mutexattr_setprioceiling | PX |
| MTXASH | pthread_mutexattr_setpshared | PX |
| MTXINI | pthread_mutex_init | PX |
| MTXDTR | pthread_mutex_destroy | PX |
| MTXLCK | pthread_mutex_lock | PX |
| MTXTLK | pthread_mutex_trylock | PX |
| MTXTML | pthread_mutex_timedlock | PX |
| MTXULK | pthread_mutex_unlock | PX |
| MTXCEI | pthread_mutex_setprioceiling | PX |
| CLKCST | clock_settime | PX |
| CLKSLP | sleep | PX |
| CLKNNS | nanosleep | PX |
| CLKGET | clock_gettime | PX |
| TMRCRT | timer_create | PX |
| TMRDLT | timer_delete | PX |
| TMRSTM | timer_settime | PX |
| MSGOPN | mq_open | PX |
| MSGCLS | mq_close | PX |

| | | |
|---------|------------|----|
| MSGULK | mq_unlink | PX |
| MSGSEND | mq_send | PX |
| MSGRCV | mq_receive | PX |
| MSGNTF | mq_notify | PX |
| MSGSAT | mq_setattr | PX |

Table 9 - RTEMS Directives Identifiers

3.2.2 Purpose

Describes the purpose of the test suite.

3.2.3 Fault Location(s)

Identifies the location of the API call that will be used to perform the test. It includes the filename of the workload and the line(s) number(s) in which the call is performed.

3.2.4 Test Item

Signature of RTEMS API under test (e.g. `rtms_task_delete (rtms_id id)`).

3.2.5 Generated Test Cases

Number of test cases automatically generated by Xception.

3.3 Test Case Result Template

Each of the test cases in which a fault on the RTEMS is uncovered will be presented in this document using the template described in this section.

| TEST CASE RESULT |
|-------------------------------------|
| Test case result identifier: |
| Input Specification: |
| Fault Description: |
| Notes: |

Table 10 Test Case Result Template

3.3.1 Test Case Result Identifier

Uniquely identifies the test case result.

The identifier used follows the naming convention:

RTEMS-TCR-<API INTERFACE ID>-<RTEMS DIRECTIVE>

(e.g. RTEMS-TCR-CL-TSKCRT)

- RTEMS – The acronym of the product under evaluation
- TCR – stands for Test Case Result

- <API INTERFACE ID> - Identifier of the API tested by the test case (refer to Table 6)
- <RTEMS DIRECTIVE> - Identifier of the RTEMS directive (e.g API call) tested by the test case (refer to Table 9).

3.3.2 Input Specification

Specifies the parameter changed and the test value used in the test case.

3.3.3 Fault Description

Describes the fault uncovered in the execution of the test case.

3.3.4 Notes

Provides further information regarding to the test case.

4. Results Summary

Two different APIs of the RTEMS 4.5.0 were subject to this evaluation:

- RTEMS Classic API and
- RTEMS POSIX API.

During the evaluation of the Classic API 527 test cases were defined. The execution of these test cases uncovers 34 faults. Table 11 shows the distribution of the test cases and faults among the several RTEMS managers and directives.

| Manager | Directive | Test Cases | Faults |
|-----------|--|------------|--------|
| Task | rtems_task_create | 18 | 2 |
| | rtems_task_start | 7 | 1 |
| | rtems_task_restart | 6 | 0 |
| | rtems_task_delete | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_task_resume | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_task_set_priority | 9 | 1 |
| | rtems_task_set_mode | 9 | 0 |
| Interrupt | rtems_interrupt_catch | 5 | 0 |
| Clock | rtems_clock_set | 42 | 0 |
| | rtems_clock_get | 26 | 0 |
| Timer | rtems_timer_create | 21 | 1 |
| | rtems_timer_delete | 6 | 0 |
| | rtems_timer_fire_after | 8 | 1 |
| | rtems_timer_fire_when | 26 | 1 |
| | rtems_timer_fire_cancel | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_timer_fire_reset | 3 | 0 |
| Semaphore | rtems_semaphore_create | 15 | 1 |
| | rtems_semaphore_delete | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_semaphore_obtain | 9 | 0 |
| | rtems_semaphore_release | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_semaphore_flush | 3 | 0 |
| Message | rtems_message_queue_create | 31 | 4 |
| | rtems_message_queue_delete | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_message_queue_send | 7 | 0 |
| | rtems_message_queue_urgent | 7 | 0 |
| | rtems_message_queue_broadcast | 10 | 1 |
| | rtems_message_queue_receive | 13 | 1 |
| | rtems_message_queue_flush | 6 | 1 |
| | rtems_message_queue_get_number_pending | 6 | 1 |
| Event | rtems_event_send | 6 | 0 |
| | rtems_event_receive | 12 | 0 |
| Signal | rtems_signal_catch | 4 | 0 |
| | rtems_signal_send | 6 | 1 |
| Partition | rtems_partition_create | 16 | 1 |
| | rtems_partition_get_buffer | 4 | 1 |
| | rtems_partition_return_buffer | 4 | 0 |
| | rtems_partition_delete | 3 | 0 |
| Region | rtems_region_create | 16 | 1 |

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| | rtems_region_get_segment | 17 | 2 |
| | rtems_region_get_segment_size | 20 | 3 |
| | rtems_region_extend | 7 | 0 |
| | rtems_region_delete | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_region_return_segment | 4 | 1 |
| IO | rtems_io_initialize | 7 | 0 |
| | rtems_io_register_name | 8 | 2 |
| | rtems_io_open | 7 | 1 |
| | rtems_io_close | 7 | 0 |
| | rtems_io_read | 7 | 1 |
| | rtems_io_write | 7 | 1 |
| | rtems_io_control | 7 | 1 |
| Fatal Error | rtems_fatal_error_occured | 3 | 0 |
| Rate Monotonic | rtems_rate_monotonic_create | 6 | 1 |
| | rtems_rate_monotonic_delete | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_rate_monotonic_cancel | 3 | 0 |
| | rtems_rate_monotonic_period | 12 | 0 |
| User Extensions | rtems_extension_create | 14 | 1 |
| | rtems_extension_delete | 3 | 0 |
| Total | | 527 | 34 |

Table 11 - Summary results of the Classic API Evaluation

During the evaluation of the POSIX API 528 test cases were defined. The execution of these test cases uncover 16 faults. Table 12 shows the distribution of the test cases and faults among the several RTEMS managers and directives.

| Manager | Directive | Test Cases | Faults |
|---------|---------------|------------|--------|
| Clock | clock_settime | 8 | 0 |
| | clock_gettime | 8 | 0 |
| | sleep | 3 | 0 |
| | nanosleep | 13 | 0 |
| Timer | timer_create | 18 | 3 |
| | timer_delete | 3 | 0 |
| | timer_settime | 8 | 0 |
| Message | mq_open | 33 | 3 |
| | mq_close | 3 | 0 |
| | mq_unlink | 2 | 0 |
| | mq_send | 13 | 0 |
| | mq_receive | 13 | 0 |
| | mq_notify | 15 | 0 |
| | mq_setattr | 43 | 0 |
| Signal | sigaddset | 8 | 0 |
| | sigdelset | 8 | 0 |
| | sigfillset | 3 | 0 |
| | sigemptyset | 3 | 0 |
| | sigaction | 25 | 1 |
| | pthread_kill | 18 | 1 |
| | sigprocmask | 11 | 0 |
| | kill | 10 | 1 |

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|-------|----------------------------------|----|------------|
| | sigsuspend | 3 | 2 |
| | sigwaitinfo | 14 | 0 |
| | sigtimedwait | 19 | 0 |
| Mutex | pthread_mutexattr_init | 25 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutexattr_destroy | 25 | 1 |
| | pthread_mutexattr_setprotocol | 30 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutexattr_setprioceiling | 30 | 1 |
| | pthread_mutexattr_setpshared | 30 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutex_init | 28 | 1 |
| | pthread_mutex_destroy | 3 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutex_lock | 3 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutex_trylock | 3 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutex_timedlock | 8 | 0 |
| | pthread_mutex_unlock | 3 | 1 |
| | pthread_mutex_setprioceiling | 35 | 0 |
| | Total | | 528 |

Table 12 - Summary Results of the POSIX API Evaluation

The overall number of test cases and faults is shown in Table 13.

| API | Test Cases | Faults |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| Classic | 527 | 34 |
| POSIX | 528 | 15 |
| Total | 1055 | 49 |

Table 13 - Overall Results