

NAME fnmatch – match filename or pathname

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <fnmatch.h>
```

int fnmatch(const char *pattern, const char *string, int flags);

DESCRIPTION

The **fnmatch()** function checks whether the *string* argument matches the *pattern* argument, which is a shell wildcard pattern.

The *flags* argument modifies the behavior; it is the bitwise OR of zero or more of the following flags:

FNM_NOESCAPE

If this flag is set, treat backslash as an ordinary character, instead of an escape character.

FNM_PATHNAME

If this flag is set, match a slash in *string* only with a slash in *pattern*, and not by an asterisk (*) or a question mark (?) metacharacter, nor by a bracket expression ([]) containing a slash.

FNM_PERIOD

If this flag is set, a leading period in *string* has to be matched exactly by a period in *pattern*. A period is considered to be leading if it is the first character in *string*, or if both **FNM_PATHNAME** and **NAME** is set and the period immediately follows a slash.

FNM_FILE_NAME

This is a GNU synonym for **FNM_PATHNAME**.

FNM_LEADING_DIR

If this flag (a GNU extension) is set, the pattern is considered to be matched if it matches an initial segment of *string* which is followed by a slash. This flag is mainly for the internal use of *glibc* and is only implemented in certain cases.

FNM_CASEFOLD

If this flag (a GNU extension) is set, the pattern is matched case-insensitively.

RETURN VALUE

Zero if *string* matches *pattern*, **FNM_NOMATCH** if there is no match or another nonzero value if there is an error.

CONFORMING TO

POSIX.2. The **FNM_FILE_NAME**, **FNM.LEADING_DIR**, and **FNM_CASEFOLD** flags are GNU extensions.

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```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int fgetc(FILE *stream);
char *fgets(char *s, int size, FILE *stream);
int getc(FILE *stream);
int getchar(void);
int fputc(int c, FILE *stream);
int fputs(const char *s, FILE *stream);
int putc(int c, FILE *stream);
int putchar(int c);
```

DESCRIPTION

fgetc() reads the next character from *stream* and returns it as an *unsigned char* cast to an *int*, or **EOF** on end of file or error.

getc() is equivalent to **fgetc()** except that it may be implemented as a macro which evaluates *stream* more than once.

getchar() is equivalent to **getc(stdin)**.

fgets() reads in at most one less than *size* characters from *stream* and stores them into the buffer pointed to by *s*. Reading stops after an **EOF** or a newline. If a newline is read, it is stored into the buffer. A '\0' is stored after the last character in the buffer.

fputc() writes the character *c*, cast to an *unsigned char*, to *stream*.

fputs() writes the string *s* to *stream*, without its terminating null byte ('\0'). **putc()** is equivalent to **fputc()** except that it may be implemented as a macro which evaluates *stream* more than once.

putchar() is equivalent to **putc(c, stdout)**.

Calls to the functions described here can be mixed with each other and with calls to other output functions from the *stdio* library for the same output stream.

RETURN VALUE

fgetc(), **getc()** and **getchar()** return the character read as an *unsigned char* cast to an *int* or **EOF** on end of file or error.

fgets() returns *s* on success, and **NULL** on error or when end of file occurs while no characters have been read. **fputc()**, **putc()** and **putchar()** return the character written as an *unsigned char* cast to an *int* or **EOF** on error.

fputs() returns a nonnegative number on success, or **EOF** on error.

SEE ALSO

read(2), **write(2)**, **ferror(3)**, **fgetwc(3)**, **fgetws(3)**, **fopen(3)**, **freopen(3)**, **fseek(3)**, **getline(3)**, **getchar(3)**, **scanf(3)**, **ungetwc(3)**, **write(2)**, **ferror(3)**, **fopen(3)**, **fputwc(3)**, **fputws(3)**, **fseek(3)**, **fwrite(3)**, **gets(3)**, **putchar(3)**, **scanf(3)**, **unlocked_stdio(3)**

NAME `isalnum`, `isalpha`, `isascii`, `isblank`, `iscntrl`, `isdigit`, `isgraph`, `islower`, `isprint`, `ispunct`, `isspace`, `isupper`, `isxdigit`, `pace_1`, `isupper_1`, `isxdigit_1`, `isalpha_1`, `isblank_1`, `iscntrl_1`, `isprint_1`, `ispunct_1`, `isspace_1`, `isupper_1`, `isxdigit_1` – character classification functions

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <ctype.h>
int isalnum(int c);
int isalpha(int c);
int iscntrl(int c);
int isdigit(int c);
int isgraph(int c);
int islower(int c);
int isprint(int c);
int ispunct(int c);
int isspace(int c);
int isupper(int c);
int isxdigit(int c);
int isascii(int c);
int isblank(int c);
```

DESCRIPTION

These functions check whether *c*, which must have the value of an *unsigned char* or EOF, falls into a certain character class according to the specified locale. The functions without the “_1” suffix perform the check based on the current locale.

The functions with the “_1” suffix perform the check based on the locale specified by the locale object **LC_GLOBAL_LOCALE** (see `duplocale(3)`) or not a valid locale object handle.

The list below explains the operation of the functions without the “_1” suffix; the functions with the “_1” suffix differ only in using the locale object *locale* instead of the current locale.

isalnum()

checks for an alphanumeric character; it is equivalent to `(isalpha(c) || isdigit(c))`.

isalpha()

checks for an alphabetic character; in the standard “C” locale, it is equivalent to `(isupper(c) || islower(c))`. In some locales, there may be additional characters for which `isalpha()` is true—letters which are neither uppercase nor lowercase.

isascii()

checks whether *c* is a 7-bit *unsigned char* value that fits into the ASCII character set.

isblank()

checks for a blank character; that is, a space or a tab.

iscntrl()

checks for a control character.

isdigit()

checks for a digit (0 through 9).

isgraph()

checks for any printable character except space.

isspace()

checks for a lowercase character.

isprint()

checks for any printable character including space.

ispunct()

checks for any printable character which is not a space or an alphanumeric character.

isspace()

checks for white-space characters. In the “C” and “POSIX” locales, these are: space, form-feed (“\n”), newline (“\n”), carriage return (“\r”), horizontal tab (“\t”), and vertical tab (“\v”).

isupper()

checks for an uppercase letter.

isxdigit()

checks for hexadecimal digits, that is, one of 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 a b c d e f A B C D E F.

RETURN VALUE

The values returned are nonzero if the character *c* falls into the tested class, and zero if not.

ATTRIBUTES

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

Interface	Attribute	Value
<code>isalnum()</code> , <code>isalpha()</code> , <code>isascii()</code> , <code>isblank()</code> , <code>iscntrl()</code> , <code>isdigit()</code> , <code>isgraph()</code> , <code>islower()</code> , <code>isprint()</code> , <code>ispunct()</code> , <code>isspace()</code> , <code>isupper()</code> , <code>isxdigit()</code>	Thread safety	MT-Safe

NOTES

The standards require that the argument *c* for these functions is either EOF or a value that is representable in the type *unsigned char*. If the argument *c* is of type *char*, it must be cast to *unsigned char*, as in the following example:

```
char c; ... res = toupper((unsigned char) c);
```

This is necessary because *char* may be the equivalent of *signed char*, in which case a byte where the top bit is set would be sign extended when converting to *int*, yielding a value that is outside the range of *unsigned char*.

The details of what characters belong to which class depend on the locale. For example, `isupper()` will not recognize an A-umlaut (Ä) as an uppercase letter in the default C locale.

SEE ALSO

`isalnum(3)`, `isalpha(3)`, `isblank(3)`, `iscntrl(3)`, `islower(3)`, `isprint(3)`, `isupper(3)`, `isspace(3)`,
`ispunct(3)`, `iswspace(3)`, `iswupper(3)`, `iswdxigit(3)`, `newlocale(3)`, `setlocale(3)`, `towlower(3)`,
`toupper(3)`, `useocale(3)`, `asci(7)`, `locale(7)`

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