GNU libiberty

Phil Edwards et al.

Table of Contents

1 Using

To date, `libiberty` is generally not installed on its own. It has evolved over years but does not have its own version number nor release schedule.

Possibly the easiest way to use `libiberty` in your projects is to drop the `libiberty` code into your project's sources, and to build the library along with your own sources; the library would then be linked in at the end. This prevents any possible version mismatches with other copies of libiberty elsewhere on the system.

Passing '`--enable-install-libiberty`' to the `configure` script when building `libiberty` causes the header files and archive library to be installed when *make install* is run. This option also takes an (optional) argument to specify the installation location, in the same manner as '`--prefix`'.

For your own projects, an approach which offers stability and flexibility is to include `libiberty` with your code, but allow the end user to optionally choose to use a previously-installed version instead. In this way the user may choose (for example) to install `libiberty` as part of GCC, and use that version for all software built with that compiler. (This approach has proven useful with software using the GNU `readline` library.)

Making use of `libiberty` code usually requires that you include one or more header files from the `libiberty` distribution. (They will be named as necessary in the function descriptions.) At link time, you will need to add '`-liberty`' to your link command invocation.

2 Overview

Functions contained in `libiberty` can be divided into three general categories.

2.1 Supplemental Functions

Certain operating systems do not provide functions which have since become standardized, or at least common. For example, the Single Unix Specification Version 2 requires that the `basename` function be provided, but an OS which predates that specification might not have this function. This should not prevent well-written code from running on such a system.

Similarly, some functions exist only among a particular "flavor" or "family" of operating systems. As an example, the `bzero` function is often not present on systems outside the BSD-derived family of systems.

Many such functions are provided in `libiberty`. They are quickly listed here with little description, as systems which lack them become less and less common. Each function *foo* is implemented in '`foo.c`' but not declared in any `libiberty` header file; more comments and caveats for each function's implementation are often available in the source file. Generally, the function can simply be declared as `extern`.

2.2 Replacement Functions

Some functions have extremely limited implementations on different platforms. Other functions are tedious to use correctly; for example, proper use of `malloc` calls for the return value to be checked and appropriate action taken if memory has been exhausted. A group of "replacement functions" is available in `libiberty` to address these issues for some of the most commonly used subroutines.

All of these functions are declared in the '`libiberty.h`' header file. Many of the implementations will use preprocessor macros set by GNU Autoconf, if you decide to make use of that program. Some of these functions may call one another.

2.2.1 Memory Allocation

The functions beginning with the letter '`x`' are wrappers around standard functions; the functions provided by the system environment are called and their results checked before the results are passed back to client code. If the standard functions fail, these wrappers will terminate the program. Thus, these versions can be used with impunity.

2.2.2 Exit Handlers

The existence and implementation of the `atexit` routine varies amongst the flavors of Unix. `libiberty` provides an unvarying dependable implementation via `xatexit` and `xexit`.

2.2.3 Error Reporting

These are a set of routines to facilitate programming with the system `errno` interface. The `libiberty` source file '`strerror.c`' contains a good deal of documentation for these functions.

2.3 Extensions

`libiberty` includes additional functionality above and beyond standard functions, which has proven generically useful in GNU programs, such as obstacks and regex. These functions are often copied from other projects as they gain popularity, and are included here to provide a central location from which to use, maintain, and distribute them.

3 Obstacks

An *obstack* is a pool of memory containing a stack of objects. You can create any number of separate obstacks, and then allocate objects in specified obstacks. Within each obstack, the last object allocated must always be the first one freed, but distinct obstacks are independent of each other.

Aside from this one constraint of order of freeing, obstacks are totally general: an obstack can contain any number of objects of any size. They are implemented with macros, so allocation is usually very fast as long as the objects are usually small. And the only space overhead per object is the padding needed to start each object on a suitable boundary.

3.1 Creating Obstacks

The utilities for manipulating obstacks are declared in the header file 'obstack.h'.

struct obstack   [Data Type]
>   An obstack is represented by a data structure of type **struct obstack**. This structure
>   has a small fixed size; it records the status of the obstack and how to find the space in
>   which objects are allocated. It does not contain any of the objects themselves. You
>   should not try to access the contents of the structure directly; use only the functions
>   described in this chapter.

You can declare variables of type **struct obstack** and use them as obstacks, or you can allocate obstacks dynamically like any other kind of object. Dynamic allocation of obstacks allows your program to have a variable number of different stacks. (You can even allocate an obstack structure in another obstack, but this is rarely useful.)

All the functions that work with obstacks require you to specify which obstack to use. You do this with a pointer of type **struct obstack ***. In the following, we often say "an obstack" when strictly speaking the object at hand is such a pointer.

The objects in the obstack are packed into large blocks called *chunks*. The **struct obstack** structure points to a chain of the chunks currently in use.

The obstack library obtains a new chunk whenever you allocate an object that won't fit in the previous chunk. Since the obstack library manages chunks automatically, you don't need to pay much attention to them, but you do need to supply a function which the obstack library should use to get a chunk. Usually you supply a function which uses **malloc** directly or indirectly. You must also supply a function to free a chunk. These matters are described in the following section.

3.2 Preparing for Using Obstacks

Each source file in which you plan to use the obstack functions must include the header file 'obstack.h', like this:

```
#include <obstack.h>
```

Also, if the source file uses the macro **obstack_init**, it must declare or define two functions or macros that will be called by the obstack library. One, **obstack_chunk_alloc**, is used to allocate the chunks of memory into which objects are packed. The other, **obstack_chunk_free**, is used to return chunks when the objects in them are freed. These macros should appear before any use of obstacks in the source file.

Usually these are defined to use `malloc` via the intermediary `xmalloc` (see section "Unconstrained Allocation" in *The GNU C Library Reference Manual*). This is done with the following pair of macro definitions:

```
#define obstack_chunk_alloc xmalloc
#define obstack_chunk_free free
```

Though the memory you get using obstacks really comes from `malloc`, using obstacks is faster because `malloc` is called less often, for larger blocks of memory. See Section 3.10 [Obstack Chunks], page 11, for full details.

At run time, before the program can use a `struct obstack` object as an obstack, it must initialize the obstack by calling `obstack_init`.

`int obstack_init (`*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*`)`   [Function]
  Initialize obstack *obstack-ptr* for allocation of objects. This function calls the obstack's `obstack_chunk_alloc` function. If allocation of memory fails, the function pointed to by `obstack_alloc_failed_handler` is called. The `obstack_init` function always returns 1 (Compatibility notice: Former versions of obstack returned 0 if allocation failed).

Here are two examples of how to allocate the space for an obstack and initialize it. First, an obstack that is a static variable:

```
static struct obstack myobstack;
...
obstack_init (&myobstack);
```

Second, an obstack that is itself dynamically allocated:

```
struct obstack *myobstack_ptr
  = (struct obstack *) xmalloc (sizeof (struct obstack));

obstack_init (myobstack_ptr);
```

`obstack_alloc_failed_handler`   [Variable]
  The value of this variable is a pointer to a function that `obstack` uses when `obstack_chunk_alloc` fails to allocate memory. The default action is to print a message and abort. You should supply a function that either calls `exit` (see section "Program Termination" in *The GNU C Library Reference Manual*) or `longjmp` (see section "Non-Local Exits" in *The GNU C Library Reference Manual*) and doesn't return.

```
void my_obstack_alloc_failed (void)
...
obstack_alloc_failed_handler = &my_obstack_alloc_failed;
```

3.3 Allocation in an Obstack

The most direct way to allocate an object in an obstack is with `obstack_alloc`, which is invoked almost like `malloc`.

`void * obstack_alloc (`*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*`, `*int size*`)`   [Function]
  This allocates an uninitialized block of *size* bytes in an obstack and returns its address. Here *obstack-ptr* specifies which obstack to allocate the block in; it is the address of the `struct obstack` object which represents the obstack. Each obstack function or macro requires you to specify an *obstack-ptr* as the first argument.

This function calls the obstack's `obstack_chunk_alloc` function if it needs to allocate a new chunk of memory; it calls `obstack_alloc_failed_handler` if allocation of memory by `obstack_chunk_alloc` failed.

For example, here is a function that allocates a copy of a string *str* in a specific obstack, which is in the variable `string_obstack`:

```
struct obstack string_obstack;

char *
copystring (char *string)
{
  size_t len = strlen (string) + 1;
  char *s = (char *) obstack_alloc (&string_obstack, len);
  memcpy (s, string, len);
  return s;
}
```

To allocate a block with specified contents, use the function `obstack_copy`, declared like this:

void * obstack_copy (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void *address*,   [Function]
        int size)

> This allocates a block and initializes it by copying *size* bytes of data starting at *address*. It calls `obstack_alloc_failed_handler` if allocation of memory by `obstack_chunk_alloc` failed.

void * obstack_copy0 (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void *address*,   [Function]
        int size)

> Like `obstack_copy`, but appends an extra byte containing a null character. This extra byte is not counted in the argument *size*.

The `obstack_copy0` function is convenient for copying a sequence of characters into an obstack as a null-terminated string. Here is an example of its use:

```
char *
obstack_savestring (char *addr, int size)
{
  return obstack_copy0 (&myobstack, addr, size);
}
```

Contrast this with the previous example of `savestring` using `malloc` (see section "Basic Allocation" in *The GNU C Library Reference Manual*).

3.4 Freeing Objects in an Obstack

To free an object allocated in an obstack, use the function `obstack_free`. Since the obstack is a stack of objects, freeing one object automatically frees all other objects allocated more recently in the same obstack.

void obstack_free (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void *object*)   [Function]

> If *object* is a null pointer, everything allocated in the obstack is freed. Otherwise, *object* must be the address of an object allocated in the obstack. Then *object* is freed, along with everything allocated in *obstack* since *object*.

Note that if *object* is a null pointer, the result is an uninitialized obstack. To free all memory in an obstack but leave it valid for further allocation, call `obstack_free` with the address of the first object allocated on the obstack:

```
obstack_free (obstack_ptr, first_object_allocated_ptr);
```

Recall that the objects in an obstack are grouped into chunks. When all the objects in a chunk become free, the obstack library automatically frees the chunk (see Section 3.2 [Preparing for Obstacks], page 4). Then other obstacks, or non-obstack allocation, can reuse the space of the chunk.

3.5 Obstack Functions and Macros

The interfaces for using obstacks may be defined either as functions or as macros, depending on the compiler. The obstack facility works with all C compilers, including both ISO C and traditional C, but there are precautions you must take if you plan to use compilers other than GNU C.

If you are using an old-fashioned non-ISO C compiler, all the obstack "functions" are actually defined only as macros. You can call these macros like functions, but you cannot use them in any other way (for example, you cannot take their address).

Calling the macros requires a special precaution: namely, the first operand (the obstack pointer) may not contain any side effects, because it may be computed more than once. For example, if you write this:

```
obstack_alloc (get_obstack (), 4);
```

you will find that `get_obstack` may be called several times. If you use `*obstack_list_ptr++` as the obstack pointer argument, you will get very strange results since the incrementation may occur several times.

In ISO C, each function has both a macro definition and a function definition. The function definition is used if you take the address of the function without calling it. An ordinary call uses the macro definition by default, but you can request the function definition instead by writing the function name in parentheses, as shown here:

```
char *x;
void *(*funcp) ();
/* Use the macro.  */
x = (char *) obstack_alloc (obptr, size);
/* Call the function.  */
x = (char *) (obstack_alloc) (obptr, size);
/* Take the address of the function.  */
funcp = obstack_alloc;
```

This is the same situation that exists in ISO C for the standard library functions. See section "Macro Definitions" in *The GNU C Library Reference Manual*.

Warning: When you do use the macros, you must observe the precaution of avoiding side effects in the first operand, even in ISO C.

If you use the GNU C compiler, this precaution is not necessary, because various language extensions in GNU C permit defining the macros so as to compute each argument only once.

3.6 Growing Objects

Because memory in obstack chunks is used sequentially, it is possible to build up an object step by step, adding one or more bytes at a time to the end of the object. With this technique, you do not need to know how much data you will put in the object until you come to the end of it. We call this the technique of *growing objects*. The special functions for adding data to the growing object are described in this section.

You don't need to do anything special when you start to grow an object. Using one of the functions to add data to the object automatically starts it. However, it is necessary to say explicitly when the object is finished. This is done with the function `obstack_finish`.

The actual address of the object thus built up is not known until the object is finished. Until then, it always remains possible that you will add so much data that the object must be copied into a new chunk.

While the obstack is in use for a growing object, you cannot use it for ordinary allocation of another object. If you try to do so, the space already added to the growing object will become part of the other object.

void **obstack_blank** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *int* `size`)   [Function]
>   The most basic function for adding to a growing object is `obstack_blank`, which adds space without initializing it.

void **obstack_grow** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void *`data`*, *int*   [Function]
>   `size`)
>   To add a block of initialized space, use `obstack_grow`, which is the growing-object analogue of `obstack_copy`. It adds *size* bytes of data to the growing object, copying the contents from *data*.

void **obstack_grow0** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void *`data`*, *int*   [Function]
>   `size`)
>   This is the growing-object analogue of `obstack_copy0`. It adds *size* bytes copied from *data*, followed by an additional null character.

void **obstack_1grow** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *char c*)   [Function]
>   To add one character at a time, use the function `obstack_1grow`. It adds a single byte containing *c* to the growing object.

void **obstack_ptr_grow** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void *`data`*)   [Function]
>   Adding the value of a pointer one can use the function `obstack_ptr_grow`. It adds `sizeof (void *)` bytes containing the value of *data*.

void **obstack_int_grow** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *int* `data`)   [Function]
>   A single value of type `int` can be added by using the `obstack_int_grow` function. It adds `sizeof (int)` bytes to the growing object and initializes them with the value of *data*.

void * **obstack_finish** (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Function]
>   When you are finished growing the object, use the function `obstack_finish` to close it off and return its final address.

Once you have finished the object, the obstack is available for ordinary allocation or for growing another object.

This function can return a null pointer under the same conditions as `obstack_alloc` (see Section 3.3 [Allocation in an Obstack], page 5).

When you build an object by growing it, you will probably need to know afterward how long it became. You need not keep track of this as you grow the object, because you can find out the length from the obstack just before finishing the object with the function `obstack_object_size`, declared as follows:

`int obstack_object_size` (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Function]

This function returns the current size of the growing object, in bytes. Remember to call this function *before* finishing the object. After it is finished, `obstack_object_size` will return zero.

If you have started growing an object and wish to cancel it, you should finish it and then free it, like this:

```
obstack_free (obstack_ptr, obstack_finish (obstack_ptr));
```

This has no effect if no object was growing.

You can use `obstack_blank` with a negative size argument to make the current object smaller. Just don't try to shrink it beyond zero length—there's no telling what will happen if you do that.

3.7 Extra Fast Growing Objects

The usual functions for growing objects incur overhead for checking whether there is room for the new growth in the current chunk. If you are frequently constructing objects in small steps of growth, this overhead can be significant.

You can reduce the overhead by using special "fast growth" functions that grow the object without checking. In order to have a robust program, you must do the checking yourself. If you do this checking in the simplest way each time you are about to add data to the object, you have not saved anything, because that is what the ordinary growth functions do. But if you can arrange to check less often, or check more efficiently, then you make the program faster.

The function `obstack_room` returns the amount of room available in the current chunk. It is declared as follows:

`int obstack_room` (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Function]

This returns the number of bytes that can be added safely to the current growing object (or to an object about to be started) in obstack *obstack* using the fast growth functions.

While you know there is room, you can use these fast growth functions for adding data to a growing object:

`void obstack_1grow_fast` (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *char c*)   [Function]

The function `obstack_1grow_fast` adds one byte containing the character *c* to the growing object in obstack *obstack-ptr*.

void obstack_ptr_grow_fast (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *void*   [Function]
        *data)
    The function `obstack_ptr_grow_fast` adds `sizeof (void *)` bytes containing the
    value of *data* to the growing object in obstack *obstack-ptr*.

void obstack_int_grow_fast (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *int*   [Function]
        data)
    The function `obstack_int_grow_fast` adds `sizeof (int)` bytes containing the value
    of *data* to the growing object in obstack *obstack-ptr*.

void obstack_blank_fast (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*, *int size*)   [Function]
    The function `obstack_blank_fast` adds *size* bytes to the growing object in obstack
    obstack-ptr without initializing them.

When you check for space using `obstack_room` and there is not enough room for what
you want to add, the fast growth functions are not safe. In this case, simply use the
corresponding ordinary growth function instead. Very soon this will copy the object to a
new chunk; then there will be lots of room available again.

So, each time you use an ordinary growth function, check afterward for sufficient space
using `obstack_room`. Once the object is copied to a new chunk, there will be plenty of
space again, so the program will start using the fast growth functions again.

Here is an example:

```
void
add_string (struct obstack *obstack, const char *ptr, int len)
{
  while (len > 0)
    {
      int room = obstack_room (obstack);
      if (room == 0)
        {
          /* Not enough room. Add one character slowly,
             which may copy to a new chunk and make room.   */
          obstack_1grow (obstack, *ptr++);
          len--;
        }
      else
        {
          if (room > len)
            room = len;
          /* Add fast as much as we have room for. */
          len -= room;
          while (room-- > 0)
            obstack_1grow_fast (obstack, *ptr++);
        }
    }
}
```

3.8 Status of an Obstack

Here are functions that provide information on the current status of allocation in an obstack.
You can use them to learn about an object while still growing it.

void * obstack_base (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Function]
> This function returns the tentative address of the beginning of the currently growing object in *obstack-ptr*. If you finish the object immediately, it will have that address. If you make it larger first, it may outgrow the current chunk—then its address will change!
>
> If no object is growing, this value says where the next object you allocate will start (once again assuming it fits in the current chunk).

void * obstack_next_free (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Function]
> This function returns the address of the first free byte in the current chunk of obstack *obstack-ptr*. This is the end of the currently growing object. If no object is growing, obstack_next_free returns the same value as obstack_base.

int obstack_object_size (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Function]
> This function returns the size in bytes of the currently growing object. This is equivalent to
>
>   obstack_next_free (*obstack-ptr*) - obstack_base (*obstack-ptr*)

3.9 Alignment of Data in Obstacks

Each obstack has an *alignment boundary*; each object allocated in the obstack automatically starts on an address that is a multiple of the specified boundary. By default, this boundary is 4 bytes.

To access an obstack's alignment boundary, use the macro obstack_alignment_mask, whose function prototype looks like this:

int obstack_alignment_mask (*struct obstack *obstack-ptr*)   [Macro]
> The value is a bit mask; a bit that is 1 indicates that the corresponding bit in the address of an object should be 0. The mask value should be one less than a power of 2; the effect is that all object addresses are multiples of that power of 2. The default value of the mask is 3, so that addresses are multiples of 4. A mask value of 0 means an object can start on any multiple of 1 (that is, no alignment is required).
>
> The expansion of the macro obstack_alignment_mask is an lvalue, so you can alter the mask by assignment. For example, this statement:
>
>   obstack_alignment_mask (obstack_ptr) = 0;
>
> has the effect of turning off alignment processing in the specified obstack.

Note that a change in alignment mask does not take effect until *after* the next time an object is allocated or finished in the obstack. If you are not growing an object, you can make the new alignment mask take effect immediately by calling obstack_finish. This will finish a zero-length object and then do proper alignment for the next object.

3.10 Obstack Chunks

Obstacks work by allocating space for themselves in large chunks, and then parceling out space in the chunks to satisfy your requests. Chunks are normally 4096 bytes long unless you specify a different chunk size. The chunk size includes 8 bytes of overhead that are

not actually used for storing objects. Regardless of the specified size, longer chunks will be allocated when necessary for long objects.

The obstack library allocates chunks by calling the function `obstack_chunk_alloc`, which you must define. When a chunk is no longer needed because you have freed all the objects in it, the obstack library frees the chunk by calling `obstack_chunk_free`, which you must also define.

These two must be defined (as macros) or declared (as functions) in each source file that uses `obstack_init` (see Section 3.1 [Creating Obstacks], page 4). Most often they are defined as macros like this:

```
#define obstack_chunk_alloc malloc
#define obstack_chunk_free free
```

Note that these are simple macros (no arguments). Macro definitions with arguments will not work! It is necessary that `obstack_chunk_alloc` or `obstack_chunk_free`, alone, expand into a function name if it is not itself a function name.

If you allocate chunks with `malloc`, the chunk size should be a power of 2. The default chunk size, 4096, was chosen because it is long enough to satisfy many typical requests on the obstack yet short enough not to waste too much memory in the portion of the last chunk not yet used.

`int obstack_chunk_size (`*`struct obstack *obstack-ptr`*`)`   [Macro]
    This returns the chunk size of the given obstack.

Since this macro expands to an lvalue, you can specify a new chunk size by assigning it a new value. Doing so does not affect the chunks already allocated, but will change the size of chunks allocated for that particular obstack in the future. It is unlikely to be useful to make the chunk size smaller, but making it larger might improve efficiency if you are allocating many objects whose size is comparable to the chunk size. Here is how to do so cleanly:

```
if (obstack_chunk_size (obstack_ptr) < new-chunk-size)
  obstack_chunk_size (obstack_ptr) = new-chunk-size;
```

3.11 Summary of Obstack Functions

Here is a summary of all the functions associated with obstacks. Each takes the address of an obstack (`struct obstack *`) as its first argument.

`void obstack_init (struct obstack *`*`obstack-ptr`*`)`
          Initialize use of an obstack. See Section 3.1 [Creating Obstacks], page 4.

`void *obstack_alloc (struct obstack *`*`obstack-ptr`*`, int `*`size`*`)`
          Allocate an object of *size* uninitialized bytes. See Section 3.3 [Allocation in an Obstack], page 5.

`void *obstack_copy (struct obstack *`*`obstack-ptr`*`, void *`*`address`*`, int `*`size`*`)`
          Allocate an object of *size* bytes, with contents copied from *address*. See Section 3.3 [Allocation in an Obstack], page 5.

`void *obstack_copy0 (struct obstack *`*`obstack-ptr`*`, void *`*`address`*`, int `*`size`*`)`
          Allocate an object of *size*+1 bytes, with *size* of them copied from *address*, followed by a null character at the end. See Section 3.3 [Allocation in an Obstack], page 5.

void obstack_free (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, void *_object_)
> Free _object_ (and everything allocated in the specified obstack more recently than _object_). See Section 3.4 [Freeing Obstack Objects], page 6.

void obstack_blank (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, int _size_)
> Add _size_ uninitialized bytes to a growing object. See Section 3.6 [Growing Objects], page 8.

void obstack_grow (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, void *_address_, int _size_)
> Add _size_ bytes, copied from _address_, to a growing object. See Section 3.6 [Growing Objects], page 8.

void obstack_grow0 (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, void *_address_, int _size_)
> Add _size_ bytes, copied from _address_, to a growing object, and then add another byte containing a null character. See Section 3.6 [Growing Objects], page 8.

void obstack_1grow (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, char _data-char_)
> Add one byte containing _data-char_ to a growing object. See Section 3.6 [Growing Objects], page 8.

void *obstack_finish (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> Finalize the object that is growing and return its permanent address. See Section 3.6 [Growing Objects], page 8.

int obstack_object_size (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> Get the current size of the currently growing object. See Section 3.6 [Growing Objects], page 8.

void obstack_blank_fast (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, int _size_)
> Add _size_ uninitialized bytes to a growing object without checking that there is enough room. See Section 3.7 [Extra Fast Growing], page 9.

void obstack_1grow_fast (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_, char _data-char_)
> Add one byte containing _data-char_ to a growing object without checking that there is enough room. See Section 3.7 [Extra Fast Growing], page 9.

int obstack_room (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> Get the amount of room now available for growing the current object. See Section 3.7 [Extra Fast Growing], page 9.

int obstack_alignment_mask (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> The mask used for aligning the beginning of an object. This is an lvalue. See Section 3.9 [Obstacks Data Alignment], page 11.

int obstack_chunk_size (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> The size for allocating chunks. This is an lvalue. See Section 3.10 [Obstack Chunks], page 11.

void *obstack_base (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> Tentative starting address of the currently growing object. See Section 3.8 [Status of an Obstack], page 10.

void *obstack_next_free (struct obstack *_obstack-ptr_)
> Address just after the end of the currently growing object. See Section 3.8 [Status of an Obstack], page 10.

4 Function, Variable, and Macro Listing.

HOST_CHARSET   [Extension]
    This macro indicates the basic character set and encoding used by the host: more precisely, the encoding used for character constants in preprocessor '#if' statements (the C "execution character set"). It is defined by 'safe-ctype.h', and will be an integer constant with one of the following values:

    HOST_CHARSET_UNKNOWN
            The host character set is unknown - that is, not one of the next two possibilities.

    HOST_CHARSET_ASCII
            The host character set is ASCII.

    HOST_CHARSET_EBCDIC
            The host character set is some variant of EBCDIC. (Only one of the nineteen EBCDIC varying characters is tested; exercise caution.)

void* alloca (*size_t* `size`)   [Replacement]
    This function allocates memory which will be automatically reclaimed after the procedure exits. The libiberty implementation does not free the memory immediately but will do so eventually during subsequent calls to this function. Memory is allocated using xmalloc under normal circumstances.

    The header file 'alloca-conf.h' can be used in conjunction with the GNU Autoconf test AC_FUNC_ALLOCA to test for and properly make available this function. The AC_FUNC_ALLOCA test requires that client code use a block of preprocessor code to be safe (see the Autoconf manual for more); this header incorporates that logic and more, including the possibility of a GCC built-in function.

int asprintf (*char **`resptr`, const char *`format`, ...*)   [Extension]
    Like sprintf, but instead of passing a pointer to a buffer, you pass a pointer to a pointer. This function will compute the size of the buffer needed, allocate memory with malloc, and store a pointer to the allocated memory in *`*resptr`*. The value returned is the same as sprintf would return. If memory could not be allocated, minus one is returned and NULL is stored in *`*resptr`*.

int atexit (*void (*`f`)()*)   [Supplemental]
    Causes function *f* to be called at exit. Returns 0.

char* basename (*const char *`name`*)   [Supplemental]
    Returns a pointer to the last component of pathname *name*. Behavior is undefined if the pathname ends in a directory separator.

int bcmp (*char *`x`, char *`y`, int `count`*)   [Supplemental]
    Compares the first *count* bytes of two areas of memory. Returns zero if they are the same, nonzero otherwise. Returns zero if *count* is zero. A nonzero result only indicates a difference, it does not indicate any sorting order (say, by having a positive result mean *x* sorts before *y*).

void bcopy (*char *in*, *char *out*, *int* `length`)   [Supplemental]
>   Copies *length* bytes from memory region *in* to region *out*. The use of `bcopy` is depre-
>   cated in new programs.

void* bsearch (*const void *key*, *const void *base*, *size_t* `nmemb`,   [Supplemental]
>   *size_t* `size`, *int* (*`compar`)(*const void *, const void **))
>   Performs a search over an array of *nmemb* elements pointed to by *base* for a member
>   that matches the object pointed to by *key*. The size of each member is specified by
>   *size*. The array contents should be sorted in ascending order according to the *compar*
>   comparison function. This routine should take two arguments pointing to the *key* and
>   to an array member, in that order, and should return an integer less than, equal to,
>   or greater than zero if the *key* object is respectively less than, matching, or greater
>   than the array member.

char** buildargv (*char *sp*)   [Extension]
>   Given a pointer to a string, parse the string extracting fields separated by whitespace
>   and optionally enclosed within either single or double quotes (which are stripped off),
>   and build a vector of pointers to copies of the string for each field. The input string
>   remains unchanged. The last element of the vector is followed by a `NULL` element.
>
>   All of the memory for the pointer array and copies of the string is obtained from
>   `malloc`. All of the memory can be returned to the system with the single function
>   call `freeargv`, which takes the returned result of `buildargv`, as it's argument.
>
>   Returns a pointer to the argument vector if successful. Returns `NULL` if *sp* is `NULL` or
>   if there is insufficient memory to complete building the argument vector.
>
>   If the input is a null string (as opposed to a `NULL` pointer), then buildarg returns an
>   argument vector that has one arg, a null string.

void bzero (*char *mem*, *int* `count`)   [Supplemental]
>   Zeros *count* bytes starting at *mem*. Use of this function is deprecated in favor of
>   `memset`.

void* calloc (*size_t* `nelem`, *size_t* `elsize`)   [Supplemental]
>   Uses `malloc` to allocate storage for *nelem* objects of *elsize* bytes each, then zeros the
>   memory.

char* choose_temp_base (*void*)   [Extension]
>   Return a prefix for temporary file names or `NULL` if unable to find one. The current
>   directory is chosen if all else fails so the program is exited if a temporary directory
>   can't be found (`mktemp` fails). The buffer for the result is obtained with `xmalloc`.
>
>   This function is provided for backwards compatibility only. Its use is not recom-
>   mended.

char* choose_tmpdir ()   [Replacement]
>   Returns a pointer to a directory path suitable for creating temporary files in.

long clock (*void*)   [Supplemental]
>   Returns an approximation of the CPU time used by the process as a `clock_t`; divide
>   this number by 'CLOCKS_PER_SEC' to get the number of seconds used.

char* concat (*const char *s1, const char *s2*, ..., NULL)   [Extension]
> Concatenate zero or more of strings and return the result in freshly `xmalloc`ed memory. Returns `NULL` if insufficient memory is available. The argument list is terminated by the first `NULL` pointer encountered. Pointers to empty strings are ignored.

char** dupargv (*char **vector*)   [Extension]
> Duplicate an argument vector. Simply scans through *vector*, duplicating each argument until the terminating `NULL` is found. Returns a pointer to the argument vector if successful. Returns `NULL` if there is insufficient memory to complete building the argument vector.

int errno_max (*void*)   [Extension]
> Returns the maximum `errno` value for which a corresponding symbolic name or message is available. Note that in the case where we use the `sys_errlist` supplied by the system, it is possible for there to be more symbolic names than messages, or vice versa. In fact, the manual page for `perror(3C)` explicitly warns that one should check the size of the table (`sys_nerr`) before indexing it, since new error codes may be added to the system before they are added to the table. Thus `sys_nerr` might be smaller than value implied by the largest `errno` value defined in `<errno.h>`.
>
> We return the maximum value that can be used to obtain a meaningful symbolic name or message.

void expandargv (*int *argcp, char ***argvp*)   [Extension]
> The *argcp* and `argvp` arguments are pointers to the usual `argc` and `argv` arguments to `main`. This function looks for arguments that begin with the character '`@`'. Any such arguments are interpreted as "response files". The contents of the response file are interpreted as additional command line options. In particular, the file is separated into whitespace-separated strings; each such string is taken as a command-line option. The new options are inserted in place of the option naming the response file, and `*argcp` and `*argvp` will be updated. If the value of `*argvp` is modified by this function, then the new value has been dynamically allocated and can be deallocated by the caller with `freeargv`. However, most callers will simply call `expandargv` near the beginning of `main` and allow the operating system to free the memory when the program exits.

int fdmatch (*int fd1, int fd2*)   [Extension]
> Check to see if two open file descriptors refer to the same file. This is useful, for example, when we have an open file descriptor for an unnamed file, and the name of a file that we believe to correspond to that fd. This can happen when we are exec'd with an already open file (`stdout` for example) or from the SVR4 '`/proc`' calls that return open file descriptors for mapped address spaces. All we have to do is open the file by name and check the two file descriptors for a match, which is done by comparing major and minor device numbers and inode numbers.

FILE * fdopen_unlocked (*int fildes, const char * mode*)   [Extension]
> Opens and returns a `FILE` pointer via `fdopen`. If the operating system supports it, ensure that the stream is setup to avoid any multi-threaded locking. Otherwise return the `FILE` pointer unchanged.

int ffs (*int* `valu`)   [Supplemental]
>   Find the first (least significant) bit set in *valu*. Bits are numbered from right to left, starting with bit 1 (corresponding to the value 1). If *valu* is zero, zero is returned.

int filename_cmp (*const char* `*s1`, *const char* `*s2`)   [Extension]
>   Return zero if the two file names *s1* and *s2* are equivalent. If not equivalent, the returned value is similar to what `strcmp` would return. In other words, it returns a negative value if *s1* is less than *s2*, or a positive value if *s2* is greater than *s2*.
>
>   This function does not normalize file names. As a result, this function will treat filenames that are spelled differently as different even in the case when the two filenames point to the same underlying file. However, it does handle the fact that on DOS-like file systems, forward and backward slashes are equal.

int fnmatch (*const char* `*pattern`, *const char* `*string`, *int* `flags`)   [Replacement]
>   Matches *string* against *pattern*, returning zero if it matches, `FNM_NOMATCH` if not. *pattern* may contain the wildcards ? to match any one character, * to match any zero or more characters, or a set of alternate characters in square brackets, like '`[a-gt8]`', which match one character (`a` through `g`, or `t`, or `8`, in this example) if that one character is in the set. A set may be inverted (i.e., match anything except what's in the set) by giving ^ or ! as the first character in the set. To include those characters in the set, list them as anything other than the first character of the set. To include a dash in the set, list it last in the set. A backslash character makes the following character not special, so for example you could match against a literal asterisk with '`\*`'. To match a literal backslash, use '`\\`'.
>
>   `flags` controls various aspects of the matching process, and is a boolean OR of zero or more of the following values (defined in `<fnmatch.h>`):
>
>   FNM_PATHNAME
>   FNM_FILE_NAME
>   >   *string* is assumed to be a path name. No wildcard will ever match `/`.
>
>   FNM_NOESCAPE
>   >   Do not interpret backslashes as quoting the following special character.
>
>   FNM_PERIOD
>   >   A leading period (at the beginning of *string*, or if `FNM_PATHNAME` after a slash) is not matched by * or ? but must be matched explicitly.
>
>   FNM_LEADING_DIR
>   >   Means that *string* also matches *pattern* if some initial part of *string* matches, and is followed by `/` and zero or more characters. For example, '`foo*`' would match either '`foobar`' or '`foobar/grill`'.
>
>   FNM_CASEFOLD
>   >   Ignores case when performing the comparison.

FILE * fopen_unlocked (*const char* `*path`, *const char* `* mode`)   [Extension]
>   Opens and returns a `FILE` pointer via `fopen`. If the operating system supports it, ensure that the stream is setup to avoid any multi-threaded locking. Otherwise return the `FILE` pointer unchanged.

void freeargv (*char **vector*)   [Extension]
> Free an argument vector that was built using `buildargv`. Simply scans through *vector*, freeing the memory for each argument until the terminating NULL is found, and then frees *vector* itself.

FILE * freopen_unlocked (*const char * path*, *const char * mode*,   [Extension]
>   *FILE * stream*)
> Opens and returns a `FILE` pointer via `freopen`. If the operating system supports it, ensure that the stream is setup to avoid any multi-threaded locking. Otherwise return the `FILE` pointer unchanged.

long get_run_time (*void*)   [Replacement]
> Returns the time used so far, in microseconds. If possible, this is the time used by this process, else it is the elapsed time since the process started.

char* getcwd (*char *pathname*, *int len*)   [Supplemental]
> Copy the absolute pathname for the current working directory into *pathname*, which is assumed to point to a buffer of at least *len* bytes, and return a pointer to the buffer. If the current directory's path doesn't fit in *len* characters, the result is NULL and `errno` is set. If *pathname* is a null pointer, `getcwd` will obtain *len* bytes of space using `malloc`.

int getpagesize (*void*)   [Supplemental]
> Returns the number of bytes in a page of memory. This is the granularity of many of the system memory management routines. No guarantee is made as to whether or not it is the same as the basic memory management hardware page size.

char* getpwd (*void*)   [Supplemental]
> Returns the current working directory. This implementation caches the result on the assumption that the process will not call `chdir` between calls to `getpwd`.

int gettimeofday (*struct timeval *tp*, *void *tz*)   [Supplemental]
> Writes the current time to *tp*. This implementation requires that *tz* be NULL. Returns 0 on success, -1 on failure.

void hex_init (*void*)   [Extension]
> Initializes the array mapping the current character set to corresponding hex values. This function must be called before any call to `hex_p` or `hex_value`. If you fail to call it, a default ASCII-based table will normally be used on ASCII systems.

int hex_p (*int c*)   [Extension]
> Evaluates to non-zero if the given character is a valid hex character, or zero if it is not. Note that the value you pass will be cast to `unsigned char` within the macro.

unsigned int hex_value (*int c*)   [Extension]
> Returns the numeric equivalent of the given character when interpreted as a hexadecimal digit. The result is undefined if you pass an invalid hex digit. Note that the value you pass will be cast to `unsigned char` within the macro.
>
> The `hex_value` macro returns `unsigned int`, rather than signed `int`, to make it easier to use in parsing addresses from hex dump files: a signed `int` would be sign-extended when converted to a wider unsigned type — like `bfd_vma`, on some systems.

char* index (*char *s, int c*) [Supplemental]

> Returns a pointer to the first occurrence of the character c in the string s, or `NULL` if not found. The use of `index` is deprecated in new programs in favor of `strchr`.

void insque (*struct qelem *elem, struct qelem *pred*) [Supplemental]

void remque (*struct qelem *elem*) [Supplemental]

> Routines to manipulate queues built from doubly linked lists. The `insque` routine inserts *elem* in the queue immediately after *pred*. The `remque` routine removes *elem* from its containing queue. These routines expect to be passed pointers to structures which have as their first members a forward pointer and a back pointer, like this prototype (although no prototype is provided):

```
struct qelem {
  struct qelem *q_forw;
  struct qelem *q_back;
  char q_data[];
};
```

ISALPHA (*c*) [Extension]

ISALNUM (*c*) [Extension]

ISBLANK (*c*) [Extension]

ISCNTRL (*c*) [Extension]

ISDIGIT (*c*) [Extension]

ISGRAPH (*c*) [Extension]

ISLOWER (*c*) [Extension]

ISPRINT (*c*) [Extension]

ISPUNCT (*c*) [Extension]

ISSPACE (*c*) [Extension]

ISUPPER (*c*) [Extension]

ISXDIGIT (*c*) [Extension]

> These twelve macros are defined by 'safe-ctype.h'. Each has the same meaning as the corresponding macro (with name in lowercase) defined by the standard header 'ctype.h'. For example, `ISALPHA` returns true for alphabetic characters and false for others. However, there are two differences between these macros and those provided by 'ctype.h':
>
> - These macros are guaranteed to have well-defined behavior for all values representable by `signed char` and `unsigned char`, and for `EOF`.
> - These macros ignore the current locale; they are true for these fixed sets of characters:
>
> | | |
> |---|---|
> | ALPHA | *A-Za-z* |
> | ALNUM | *A-Za-z0-9* |
> | BLANK | *space tab* |
> | CNTRL | !PRINT |
> | DIGIT | *0-9* |
> | GRAPH | ALNUM \|\| PUNCT |
> | LOWER | *a-z* |
> | PRINT | GRAPH \|\| *space* |
> | PUNCT | `~!@#$%^&*()_-=+[{]}\|;:'",<.>/? |

```
SPACE       space tab \n \r \f \v
UPPER       A-Z
XDIGIT      0-9A-Fa-f
```

Note that, if the host character set is ASCII or a superset thereof, all these macros will return false for all values of `char` outside the range of 7-bit ASCII. In particular, both ISPRINT and ISCNTRL return false for characters with numeric values from 128 to 255.

ISIDNUM (*c*)   [Extension]
ISIDST (*c*)   [Extension]
IS_VSPACE (*c*)   [Extension]
IS_NVSPACE (*c*)   [Extension]
IS_SPACE_OR_NUL (*c*)   [Extension]
IS_ISOBASIC (*c*)   [Extension]

These six macros are defined by 'safe-ctype.h' and provide additional character classes which are useful when doing lexical analysis of C or similar languages. They are true for the following sets of characters:

```
IDNUM           A-Za-z0-9_
IDST            A-Za-z_
VSPACE          \r \n
NVSPACE         space tab \f \v \0
SPACE_OR_NUL    VSPACE || NVSPACE
ISOBASIC        VSPACE || NVSPACE || PRINT
```

const char* lbasename (*const char* *name*)   [Replacement]

Given a pointer to a string containing a typical pathname ('`/usr/src/cmd/ls/ls.c`' for example), returns a pointer to the last component of the pathname ('`ls.c`' in this case). The returned pointer is guaranteed to lie within the original string. This latter fact is not true of many vendor C libraries, which return special strings or modify the passed strings for particular input.

In particular, the empty string returns the same empty string, and a path ending in / returns the empty string after it.

const char* lrealpath (*const char* *name*)   [Replacement]

Given a pointer to a string containing a pathname, returns a canonical version of the filename. Symlinks will be resolved, and "." and ".." components will be simplified. The returned value will be allocated using `malloc`, or `NULL` will be returned on a memory allocation error.

const char* make_relative_prefix (*const char* *progname*, *const*   [Extension]
       char *bin_prefix*, *const char* *prefix*)

Given three paths *progname*, *bin_prefix*, *prefix*, return the path that is in the same position relative to *progname*'s directory as *prefix* is relative to *bin_prefix*. That is, a string starting with the directory portion of *progname*, followed by a relative pathname of the difference between *bin_prefix* and *prefix*.

If *progname* does not contain any directory separators, `make_relative_prefix` will search `PATH` to find a program named *progname*. Also, if *progname* is a symbolic link, the symbolic link will be resolved.

For example, if *bin_prefix* is /alpha/beta/gamma/gcc/delta, *prefix* is /alpha/beta/gamma/omega/, and *progname* is /red/green/blue/gcc, then this function will return /red/green/blue/../../omega/.

The return value is normally allocated via `malloc`. If no relative prefix can be found, return `NULL`.

char* make_temp_file (*const char *suffix*)   [Replacement]
> Return a temporary file name (as a string) or `NULL` if unable to create one. *suffix* is a suffix to append to the file name. The string is `malloc`ed, and the temporary file has been created.

void* memchr (*const void *s, int c, size_t n*)   [Supplemental]
> This function searches memory starting at **s* for the character *c*. The search only ends with the first occurrence of *c*, or after *length* characters; in particular, a null character does not terminate the search. If the character *c* is found within *length* characters of **s*, a pointer to the character is returned. If *c* is not found, then `NULL` is returned.

int memcmp (*const void *x, const void *y, size_t count*)   [Supplemental]
> Compares the first *count* bytes of two areas of memory. Returns zero if they are the same, a value less than zero if *x* is lexically less than *y*, or a value greater than zero if *x* is lexically greater than *y*. Note that lexical order is determined as if comparing unsigned char arrays.

void* memcpy (*void *out, const void *in, size_t length*)   [Supplemental]
> Copies *length* bytes from memory region *in* to region *out*. Returns a pointer to *out*.

void* memmove (*void *from, const void *to, size_t count*)   [Supplemental]
> Copies *count* bytes from memory area *from* to memory area *to*, returning a pointer to *to*.

void* mempcpy (*void *out, const void *in, size_t length*)   [Supplemental]
> Copies *length* bytes from memory region *in* to region *out*. Returns a pointer to *out +* *length*.

void* memset (*void *s, int c, size_t count*)   [Supplemental]
> Sets the first *count* bytes of *s* to the constant byte *c*, returning a pointer to *s*.

int mkstemps (*char *pattern, int suffix_len*)   [Replacement]
> Generate a unique temporary file name from *pattern*. *pattern* has the form:

> > *path*/ccXXXXXX*suffix*

> *suffix_len* tells us how long *suffix* is (it can be zero length). The last six characters of *pattern* before *suffix* must be 'XXXXXX'; they are replaced with a string that makes the filename unique. Returns a file descriptor open on the file for reading and writing.

void pex_free (*struct pex_obj obj*)   [Extension]
> Clean up and free all data associated with *obj*.

int pex_get_status (*struct pex_obj *obj*, *int* `count`, *int *vector*)   [Extension]
    Returns the exit status of all programs run using *obj*. *count* is the number of results
    expected. The results will be placed into *vector*. The results are in the order of the
    calls to `pex_run`. Returns 0 on error, 1 on success.

int pex_get_times (*struct pex_obj *obj*, *int* `count`, *struct pex_time*   [Extension]
    *vector)
    Returns the process execution times of all programs run using *obj*. *count* is the
    number of results expected. The results will be placed into *vector*. The results are in
    the order of the calls to `pex_run`. Returns 0 on error, 1 on success.

    `struct pex_time` has the following fields of the type `unsigned long`: `user_seconds`,
    `user_microseconds`, `system_seconds`, `system_microseconds`. On systems which
    do not support reporting process times, all the fields will be set to `0`.

struct pex_obj * pex_init (*int* `flags`, *const char *pname*, *const*   [Extension]
    char *tempbase)
    Prepare to execute one or more programs, with standard output of each program fed
    to standard input of the next. This is a system independent interface to execute a
    pipeline.

    flags is a bitwise combination of the following:

    `PEX_RECORD_TIMES`
            Record subprocess times if possible.

    `PEX_USE_PIPES`
            Use pipes for communication between processes, if possible.

    `PEX_SAVE_TEMPS`
            Don't delete temporary files used for communication between processes.

    pname is the name of program to be executed, used in error messages. *tempbase* is a
    base name to use for any required temporary files; it may be `NULL` to use a randomly
    chosen name.

FILE * pex_input_file (*struct pex_obj *obj*, *int* `flags`, *const char*   [Extension]
    *in_name)
    Return a stream for a temporary file to pass to the first program in the pipeline as
    input.

    The name of the input file is chosen according to the same rules `pex_run` uses to
    choose output file names, based on *in_name*, *obj* and the `PEX_SUFFIX` bit in *flags*.

    Don't call `fclose` on the returned stream; the first call to `pex_run` closes it automat-
    ically.

    If *flags* includes `PEX_BINARY_OUTPUT`, open the stream in binary mode; otherwise,
    open it in the default mode. Including `PEX_BINARY_OUTPUT` in *flags* has no effect on
    Unix.

FILE * pex_input_pipe (*struct pex_obj *obj*, *int* `binary`)   [Extension]
    Return a stream *fp* for a pipe connected to the standard input of the first program in
    the pipeline; *fp* is opened for writing. You must have passed `PEX_USE_PIPES` to the
    `pex_init` call that returned *obj*.

You must close *fp* using `fclose` yourself when you have finished writing data to the pipeline.

The file descriptor underlying *fp* is marked not to be inherited by child processes.

On systems that do not support pipes, this function returns `NULL`, and sets `errno` to `EINVAL`. If you would like to write code that is portable to all systems the `pex` functions support, consider using `pex_input_file` instead.

There are two opportunities for deadlock using `pex_input_pipe`:

- Most systems' pipes can buffer only a fixed amount of data; a process that writes to a full pipe blocks. Thus, if you write to 'fp' before starting the first process, you run the risk of blocking when there is no child process yet to read the data and allow you to continue. `pex_input_pipe` makes no promises about the size of the pipe's buffer, so if you need to write any data at all before starting the first process in the pipeline, consider using `pex_input_file` instead.

- Using `pex_input_pipe` and `pex_read_output` together may also cause deadlock. If the output pipe fills up, so that each program in the pipeline is waiting for the next to read more data, and you fill the input pipe by writing more data to *fp*, then there is no way to make progress: the only process that could read data from the output pipe is you, but you are blocked on the input pipe.

const char * pex_one (*int* **flags**, *const char* ***executable**, *char* *   [Extension]
        const ***argv**, *const char* ***pname**, *const char* ***outname**, *const char* ***errname**,
        int ***status**, *int* ***err***)
> An interface to permit the easy execution of a single program. The return value and most of the parameters are as for a call to `pex_run`. *flags* is restricted to a combination of `PEX_SEARCH`, `PEX_STDERR_TO_STDOUT`, and `PEX_BINARY_OUTPUT`. *outname* is interpreted as if `PEX_LAST` were set. On a successful return, `*status` will be set to the exit status of the program.

FILE * pex_read_err (*struct pex_obj* ***obj**, *int* **binary**)   [Extension]
> Returns a `FILE` pointer which may be used to read the standard error of the last program in the pipeline. When this is used, `PEX_LAST` should not be used in a call to `pex_run`. After this is called, `pex_run` may no longer be called with the same *obj*. *binary* should be non-zero if the file should be opened in binary mode. Don't call `fclose` on the returned file; it will be closed by `pex_free`.

FILE * pex_read_output (*struct pex_obj* ***obj**, *int* **binary**)   [Extension]
> Returns a `FILE` pointer which may be used to read the standard output of the last program in the pipeline. When this is used, `PEX_LAST` should not be used in a call to `pex_run`. After this is called, `pex_run` may no longer be called with the same *obj*. *binary* should be non-zero if the file should be opened in binary mode. Don't call `fclose` on the returned file; it will be closed by `pex_free`.

const char * pex_run (*struct pex_obj* ***obj**, *int* **flags**, *const char*   [Extension]
        ***executable**, *char* * *const* ***argv**, *const char* ***outname**, *const char*
        errname**, *int* ***err)
> Execute one program in a pipeline. On success this returns `NULL`. On failure it returns an error message, a statically allocated string.

obj is returned by a previous call to `pex_init`.

flags is a bitwise combination of the following:

`PEX_LAST`   This must be set on the last program in the pipeline. In particular, it should be set when executing a single program. The standard output of the program will be sent to *outname*, or, if *outname* is `NULL`, to the standard output of the calling program. Do *not* set this bit if you want to call `pex_read_output` (described below). After a call to `pex_run` with this bit set, *pex_run* may no longer be called with the same *obj*.

`PEX_SEARCH`
              Search for the program using the user's executable search path.

`PEX_SUFFIX`
              outname is a suffix. See the description of *outname*, below.

`PEX_STDERR_TO_STDOUT`
              Send the program's standard error to standard output, if possible.

`PEX_BINARY_INPUT`
`PEX_BINARY_OUTPUT`
`PEX_BINARY_ERROR`
              The standard input (output or error) of the program should be read (written) in binary mode rather than text mode. These flags are ignored on systems which do not distinguish binary mode and text mode, such as Unix. For proper behavior these flags should match appropriately—a call to `pex_run` using `PEX_BINARY_OUTPUT` should be followed by a call using `PEX_BINARY_INPUT`.

`PEX_STDERR_TO_PIPE`
              Send the program's standard error to a pipe, if possible. This flag cannot be specified together with `PEX_STDERR_TO_STDOUT`. This flag can be specified only on the last program in pipeline.

executable is the program to execute. *argv* is the set of arguments to pass to the program; normally `argv[0]` will be a copy of *executable*.

outname is used to set the name of the file to use for standard output. There are two cases in which no output file will be used:

1. if `PEX_LAST` is not set in *flags*, and `PEX_USE_PIPES` was set in the call to `pex_init`, and the system supports pipes

2. if `PEX_LAST` is set in *flags*, and *outname* is `NULL`

Otherwise the code will use a file to hold standard output. If `PEX_LAST` is not set, this file is considered to be a temporary file, and it will be removed when no longer needed, unless `PEX_SAVE_TEMPS` was set in the call to `pex_init`.

There are two cases to consider when setting the name of the file to hold standard output.

1. `PEX_SUFFIX` is set in *flags*. In this case *outname* may not be `NULL`. If the *tempbase* parameter to `pex_init` was not `NULL`, then the output file name is the concatenation of *tempbase* and *outname*. If *tempbase* was `NULL`, then the output file name is a random file name ending in *outname*.

2. `PEX_SUFFIX` was not set in *flags*. In this case, if *outname* is not `NULL`, it is used as the output file name. If *outname* is `NULL`, and *tempbase* was not NULL, the output file name is randomly chosen using *tempbase*. Otherwise the output file name is chosen completely at random.

errname is the file name to use for standard error output. If it is `NULL`, standard error is the same as the caller's. Otherwise, standard error is written to the named file.

On an error return, the code sets `*err` to an `errno` value, or to 0 if there is no relevant `errno`.

const char * pex_run_in_environment (*struct pex_obj *obj, int*   [Extension]
     flags, const char *executable, char * const *argv, char * const *env, int
     env_size, const char *outname, const char *errname, int *err)
Execute one program in a pipeline, permitting the environment for the program to be specified. Behaviour and parameters not listed below are as for `pex_run`.

env is the environment for the child process, specified as an array of character pointers. Each element of the array should point to a string of the form `VAR=VALUE`, with the exception of the last element that must be `NULL`.

int pexecute (*const char *program, char * const *argv, const char*   [Extension]
     *this_pname, const char *temp_base, char **errmsg_fmt, char
     **errmsg_arg, int flags)
This is the old interface to execute one or more programs. It is still supported for compatibility purposes, but is no longer documented.

void psignal (*int signo, char *message*)   [Supplemental]
Print *message* to the standard error, followed by a colon, followed by the description of the signal specified by *signo*, followed by a newline.

int putenv (*const char *string*)   [Supplemental]
Uses `setenv` or `unsetenv` to put *string* into the environment or remove it. If *string* is of the form '`name=value`' the string is added; if no '`=`' is present the name is unset/removed.

int pwait (*int pid, int *status, int flags*)   [Extension]
Another part of the old execution interface.

long int random (*void*)   [Supplement]
void srandom (*unsigned int seed*)   [Supplement]
void* initstate (*unsigned int seed, void *arg_state, unsigned*   [Supplement]
     long n)
void* setstate (*void *arg_state*)   [Supplement]
Random number functions. `random` returns a random number in the range 0 to `LONG_MAX`. `srandom` initializes the random number generator to some starting point determined by *seed* (else, the values returned by `random` are always the same for each run of the program). `initstate` and `setstate` allow fine-grained control over the state of the random number generator.

char* reconcat (*char *optr*, *const char *s1*, ..., NULL)   [Extension]
>   Same as `concat`, except that if *optr* is not `NULL` it is freed after the string is created.
>   This is intended to be useful when you're extending an existing string or building up
>   a string in a loop:

```
str = reconcat (str, "pre-", str, NULL);
```

int rename (*const char *old*, *const char *new*)   [Supplemental]
>   Renames a file from *old* to *new*. If *new* already exists, it is removed.

char* rindex (*const char *s*, *int c*)   [Supplemental]
>   Returns a pointer to the last occurrence of the character *c* in the string *s*, or `NULL` if
>   not found. The use of `rindex` is deprecated in new programs in favor of `strrchr`.

int setenv (*const char *name*, *const char *value*, *int overwrite*)   [Supplemental]
void unsetenv (*const char *name*)   [Supplemental]
>   `setenv` adds *name* to the environment with value *value*. If the name was already
>   present in the environment, the new value will be stored only if *overwrite* is nonzero.
>   The companion `unsetenv` function removes *name* from the environment. This imple-
>   mentation is not safe for multithreaded code.

int signo_max (*void*)   [Extension]
>   Returns the maximum signal value for which a corresponding symbolic name or mes-
>   sage is available. Note that in the case where we use the `sys_siglist` supplied by
>   the system, it is possible for there to be more symbolic names than messages, or vice
>   versa. In fact, the manual page for `psignal(3b)` explicitly warns that one should
>   check the size of the table (`NSIG`) before indexing it, since new signal codes may be
>   added to the system before they are added to the table. Thus `NSIG` might be smaller
>   than value implied by the largest signo value defined in `<signal.h>`.
>
>   We return the maximum value that can be used to obtain a meaningful symbolic
>   name or message.

int sigsetmask (*int set*)   [Supplemental]
>   Sets the signal mask to the one provided in *set* and returns the old mask (which, for
>   libiberty's implementation, will always be the value 1).

int snprintf (*char *buf*, *size_t n*, *const char *format*, ...)   [Supplemental]
>   This function is similar to sprintf, but it will print at most *n* characters. On error the
>   return value is -1, otherwise it returns the number of characters that would have been
>   printed had *n* been sufficiently large, regardless of the actual value of *n*. Note some
>   pre-C99 system libraries do not implement this correctly so users cannot generally
>   rely on the return value if the system version of this function is used.

char* spaces (*int count*)   [Extension]
>   Returns a pointer to a memory region filled with the specified number of spaces and
>   null terminated. The returned pointer is valid until at least the next call.

char* stpcpy (*char *dst*, *const char *src*)   [Supplemental]
>   Copies the string *src* into *dst*. Returns a pointer to *dst* + strlen(*src*).

char* stpncpy (*char *dst, const char *src, size_t len*)   [Supplemental]
>   Copies the string *src* into *dst*, copying exactly *len* and padding with zeros if necessary.
>   If *len* < strlen(*src*) then return *dst* + *len*, otherwise returns *dst* + strlen(*src*).

int strcasecmp (*const char *s1, const char *s2*)   [Supplemental]
>   A case-insensitive strcmp.

char* strchr (*const char *s, int c*)   [Supplemental]
>   Returns a pointer to the first occurrence of the character *c* in the string *s*, or NULL if
>   not found. If *c* is itself the null character, the results are undefined.

char* strdup (*const char *s*)   [Supplemental]
>   Returns a pointer to a copy of *s* in memory obtained from malloc, or NULL if insuffi-
>   cient memory was available.

const char* strerrno (*int errnum*)   [Replacement]
>   Given an error number returned from a system call (typically returned in errno),
>   returns a pointer to a string containing the symbolic name of that error number, as
>   found in <errno.h>.
>
>   If the supplied error number is within the valid range of indices for symbolic names,
>   but no name is available for the particular error number, then returns the string
>   'Error *num*', where *num* is the error number.
>
>   If the supplied error number is not within the range of valid indices, then returns
>   NULL.
>
>   The contents of the location pointed to are only guaranteed to be valid until the next
>   call to strerrno.

char* strerror (*int errnoval*)   [Supplemental]
>   Maps an errno number to an error message string, the contents of which are im-
>   plementation defined. On systems which have the external variables sys_nerr and
>   sys_errlist, these strings will be the same as the ones used by perror.
>
>   If the supplied error number is within the valid range of indices for the sys_errlist,
>   but no message is available for the particular error number, then returns the string
>   'Error *num*', where *num* is the error number.
>
>   If the supplied error number is not a valid index into sys_errlist, returns NULL.
>
>   The returned string is only guaranteed to be valid only until the next call to strerror.

int strncasecmp (*const char *s1, const char *s2*)   [Supplemental]
>   A case-insensitive strncmp.

int strncmp (*const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n*)   [Supplemental]
>   Compares the first *n* bytes of two strings, returning a value as strcmp.

char* strndup (*const char *s, size_t n*)   [Extension]
>   Returns a pointer to a copy of *s* with at most *n* characters in memory obtained
>   from malloc, or NULL if insufficient memory was available. The result is always NUL
>   terminated.

char* strrchr (*const char *s*, *int c*)   [Supplemental]

> Returns a pointer to the last occurrence of the character *c* in the string *s*, or NULL if not found. If *c* is itself the null character, the results are undefined.

const char * strsignal (*int signo*)   [Supplemental]

> Maps an signal number to an signal message string, the contents of which are implementation defined. On systems which have the external variable sys_siglist, these strings will be the same as the ones used by psignal().
>
> If the supplied signal number is within the valid range of indices for the sys_siglist, but no message is available for the particular signal number, then returns the string 'Signal *num*', where *num* is the signal number.
>
> If the supplied signal number is not a valid index into sys_siglist, returns NULL.
>
> The returned string is only guaranteed to be valid only until the next call to strsignal.

const char* strsigno (*int signo*)   [Extension]

> Given an signal number, returns a pointer to a string containing the symbolic name of that signal number, as found in <signal.h>.
>
> If the supplied signal number is within the valid range of indices for symbolic names, but no name is available for the particular signal number, then returns the string 'Signal *num*', where *num* is the signal number.
>
> If the supplied signal number is not within the range of valid indices, then returns NULL.
>
> The contents of the location pointed to are only guaranteed to be valid until the next call to strsigno.

char* strstr (*const char *string*, *const char *sub*)   [Supplemental]

> This function searches for the substring *sub* in the string *string*, not including the terminating null characters. A pointer to the first occurrence of *sub* is returned, or NULL if the substring is absent. If *sub* points to a string with zero length, the function returns *string*.

double strtod (*const char *string*, *char **endptr*)   [Supplemental]

> This ISO C function converts the initial portion of *string* to a double. If *endptr* is not NULL, a pointer to the character after the last character used in the conversion is stored in the location referenced by *endptr*. If no conversion is performed, zero is returned and the value of *string* is stored in the location referenced by *endptr*.

int strtoerrno (*const char *name*)   [Extension]

> Given the symbolic name of a error number (e.g., EACCES), map it to an errno value. If no translation is found, returns 0.

long int strtol (*const char *string*, *char **endptr*, *int base*)   [Supplemental]
unsigned long int strtoul (*const char *string*, *char*   [Supplemental]
         **endptr, *int base*)

> The strtol function converts the string in *string* to a long integer value according to the given *base*, which must be between 2 and 36 inclusive, or be the special value

0. If *base* is 0, `strtol` will look for the prefixes `0` and `0x` to indicate bases 8 and 16, respectively, else default to base 10. When the base is 16 (either explicitly or implicitly), a prefix of `0x` is allowed. The handling of *endptr* is as that of `strtod` above. The `strtoul` function is the same, except that the converted value is unsigned.

int strtosigno (*const char *name*)   [Extension]
    Given the symbolic name of a signal, map it to a signal number. If no translation is found, returns 0.

int strverscmp (*const char *s1, const char *s2*)   [Function]
    The `strverscmp` function compares the string *s1* against *s2*, considering them as holding indices/version numbers. Return value follows the same conventions as found in the `strverscmp` function. In fact, if *s1* and *s2* contain no digits, `strverscmp` behaves like `strcmp`.

    Basically, we compare strings normally (character by character), until we find a digit in each string - then we enter a special comparison mode, where each sequence of digits is taken as a whole. If we reach the end of these two parts without noticing a difference, we return to the standard comparison mode. There are two types of numeric parts: "integral" and "fractional" (those begin with a '0'). The types of the numeric parts affect the way we sort them:

- integral/integral: we compare values as you would expect.
- fractional/integral: the fractional part is less than the integral one. Again, no surprise.
- fractional/fractional: the things become a bit more complex. If the common prefix contains only leading zeroes, the longest part is less than the other one; else the comparison behaves normally.

    ```
    strverscmp ("no digit", "no digit")
        ⇒ 0     // same behavior as strcmp.
    strverscmp ("item#99", "item#100")
        ⇒ <0    // same prefix, but 99 < 100.
    strverscmp ("alpha1", "alpha001")
        ⇒ >0    // fractional part inferior to integral one.
    strverscmp ("part1_f012", "part1_f01")
        ⇒ >0    // two fractional parts.
    strverscmp ("foo.009", "foo.0")
        ⇒ <0    // idem, but with leading zeroes only.
    ```

    This function is especially useful when dealing with filename sorting, because filenames frequently hold indices/version numbers.

char* tmpnam (*char *s*)   [Supplemental]
    This function attempts to create a name for a temporary file, which will be a valid file name yet not exist when `tmpnam` checks for it. *s* must point to a buffer of at least `L_tmpnam` bytes, or be `NULL`. Use of this function creates a security risk, and it must not be used in new projects. Use `mkstemp` instead.

int unlink_if_ordinary (*const char**)   [Supplemental]
    Unlinks the named file, unless it is special (e.g. a device file). Returns 0 when the file was unlinked, a negative value (and errno set) when there was an error deleting the file, and a positive value if no attempt was made to unlink the file because it is special.

void **unlock_std_streams** (*void*)   [Extension]
>   If the OS supports it, ensure that the standard I/O streams, `stdin`, `stdout` and `stderr` are setup to avoid any multi-threaded locking. Otherwise do nothing.

void **unlock_stream** (*FILE * stream*)   [Extension]
>   If the OS supports it, ensure that the supplied stream is setup to avoid any multi-threaded locking. Otherwise leave the `FILE` pointer unchanged. If the *stream* is `NULL` do nothing.

int **vasprintf** (*char **resptr*, *const char *format*, *va_list args*)   [Extension]
>   Like `vsprintf`, but instead of passing a pointer to a buffer, you pass a pointer to a pointer. This function will compute the size of the buffer needed, allocate memory with `malloc`, and store a pointer to the allocated memory in **resptr*. The value returned is the same as `vsprintf` would return. If memory could not be allocated, minus one is returned and `NULL` is stored in **resptr*.

int **vfork** (*void*)   [Supplemental]
>   Emulates `vfork` by calling `fork` and returning its value.

int **vprintf** (*const char *format*, *va_list ap*)   [Supplemental]
int **vfprintf** (*FILE *stream*, *const char *format*, *va_list ap*)   [Supplemental]
int **vsprintf** (*char *str*, *const char *format*, *va_list ap*)   [Supplemental]
>   These functions are the same as `printf`, `fprintf`, and `sprintf`, respectively, except that they are called with a `va_list` instead of a variable number of arguments. Note that they do not call `va_end`; this is the application's responsibility. In `libiberty` they are implemented in terms of the nonstandard but common function `_doprnt`.

int **vsnprintf** (*char *buf*, *size_t n*, *const char *format*, *va_list ap*)   [Supplemental]
>   This function is similar to vsprintf, but it will print at most n characters. On error the return value is -1, otherwise it returns the number of characters that would have been printed had n been sufficiently large, regardless of the actual value of n. Note some pre-C99 system libraries do not implement this correctly so users cannot generally rely on the return value if the system version of this function is used.

int **waitpid** (*int pid*, *int *status*, *int*)   [Supplemental]
>   This is a wrapper around the `wait` function. Any "special" values of *pid* depend on your implementation of `wait`, as does the return value. The third argument is unused in `libiberty`.

int **writeargv** (*const char **argv*, *FILE *file*)   [Extension]
>   Write each member of ARGV, handling all necessary quoting, to the file named by FILE, separated by whitespace. Return 0 on success, non-zero if an error occurred while writing to FILE.

int **xatexit** (*void (*fn) (void)*)   [Function]
>   Behaves as the standard `atexit` function, but with no limit on the number of registered functions. Returns 0 on success, or -1 on failure. If you use `xatexit` to register functions, you must use `xexit` to terminate your program.

void* xcalloc (*size_t* `nelem`, *size_t* `elsize`)   [Replacement]

> Allocate memory without fail, and set it to zero. This routine functions like `calloc`, but will behave the same as `xmalloc` if memory cannot be found.

void xexit (*int* `code`)   [Replacement]

> Terminates the program. If any functions have been registered with the `xatexit` replacement function, they will be called first. Termination is handled via the system's normal `exit` call.

void* xmalloc (*size_t*)   [Replacement]

> Allocate memory without fail. If `malloc` fails, this will print a message to `stderr` (using the name set by `xmalloc_set_program_name`, if any) and then call `xexit`. Note that it is therefore safe for a program to contain `#define malloc xmalloc` in its source.

void xmalloc_failed (*size_t*)   [Replacement]

> This function is not meant to be called by client code, and is listed here for completeness only. If any of the allocation routines fail, this function will be called to print an error message and terminate execution.

void xmalloc_set_program_name (*const char* `*name`)   [Replacement]

> You can use this to set the name of the program used by `xmalloc_failed` when printing a failure message.

void* xmemdup (*void* `*input`, *size_t* `copy_size`, *size_t* `alloc_size`)   [Replacement]

> Duplicates a region of memory without fail. First, *alloc_size* bytes are allocated, then *copy_size* bytes from *input* are copied into it, and the new memory is returned. If fewer bytes are copied than were allocated, the remaining memory is zeroed.

void* xrealloc (*void* `*ptr`, *size_t* `size`)   [Replacement]

> Reallocate memory without fail. This routine functions like `realloc`, but will behave the same as `xmalloc` if memory cannot be found.

char* xstrdup (*const char* `*s`)   [Replacement]

> Duplicates a character string without fail, using `xmalloc` to obtain memory.

char* xstrerror (*int* `errnum`)   [Replacement]

> Behaves exactly like the standard `strerror` function, but will never return a `NULL` pointer.

char* xstrndup (*const char* `*s`, *size_t* `n`)   [Replacement]

> Returns a pointer to a copy of *s* with at most *n* characters without fail, using `xmalloc` to obtain memory. The result is always NUL terminated.

Appendix A Licenses

A.1 GNU LESSER GENERAL PUBLIC LICENSE

Version 2.1, February 1999

Copyright © 1991, 1999 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
51 Franklin Street - Fifth Floor, Boston, MA 02110-1301, USA

Everyone is permitted to copy and distribute verbatim copies
of this license document, but changing it is not allowed.

[This is the first released version of the Lesser GPL. It also counts
as the successor of the GNU Library Public License, version 2, hence the
version number 2.1.]

A.1.1 Preamble

The licenses for most software are designed to take away your freedom to share and change it. By contrast, the GNU General Public Licenses are intended to guarantee your freedom to share and change free software—to make sure the software is free for all its users.

This license, the Lesser General Public License, applies to some specially designated software—typically libraries—of the Free Software Foundation and other authors who decide to use it. You can use it too, but we suggest you first think carefully about whether this license or the ordinary General Public License is the better strategy to use in any particular case, based on the explanations below.

When we speak of free software, we are referring to freedom of use, not price. Our General Public Licenses are designed to make sure that you have the freedom to distribute copies of free software (and charge for this service if you wish); that you receive source code or can get it if you want it; that you can change the software and use pieces of it in new free programs; and that you are informed that you can do these things.

To protect your rights, we need to make restrictions that forbid distributors to deny you these rights or to ask you to surrender these rights. These restrictions translate to certain responsibilities for you if you distribute copies of the library or if you modify it.

For example, if you distribute copies of the library, whether gratis or for a fee, you must give the recipients all the rights that we gave you. You must make sure that they, too, receive or can get the source code. If you link other code with the library, you must provide complete object files to the recipients, so that they can relink them with the library after making changes to the library and recompiling it. And you must show them these terms so they know their rights.

We protect your rights with a two-step method: (1) we copyright the library, and (2) we offer you this license, which gives you legal permission to copy, distribute and/or modify the library.

To protect each distributor, we want to make it very clear that there is no warranty for the free library. Also, if the library is modified by someone else and passed on, the recipients should know that what they have is not the original version, so that the original author's reputation will not be affected by problems that might be introduced by others.

Finally, software patents pose a constant threat to the existence of any free program. We wish to make sure that a company cannot effectively restrict the users of a free program by obtaining a restrictive license from a patent holder. Therefore, we insist that any patent license obtained for a version of the library must be consistent with the full freedom of use specified in this license.

Most GNU software, including some libraries, is covered by the ordinary GNU General Public License. This license, the GNU Lesser General Public License, applies to certain designated libraries, and is quite different from the ordinary General Public License. We use this license for certain libraries in order to permit linking those libraries into non-free programs.

When a program is linked with a library, whether statically or using a shared library, the combination of the two is legally speaking a combined work, a derivative of the original library. The ordinary General Public License therefore permits such linking only if the entire combination fits its criteria of freedom. The Lesser General Public License permits more lax criteria for linking other code with the library.

We call this license the *Lesser* General Public License because it does *Less* to protect the user's freedom than the ordinary General Public License. It also provides other free software developers Less of an advantage over competing non-free programs. These disadvantages are the reason we use the ordinary General Public License for many libraries. However, the Lesser license provides advantages in certain special circumstances.

For example, on rare occasions, there may be a special need to encourage the widest possible use of a certain library, so that it becomes a de-facto standard. To achieve this, non-free programs must be allowed to use the library. A more frequent case is that a free library does the same job as widely used non-free libraries. In this case, there is little to gain by limiting the free library to free software only, so we use the Lesser General Public License.

In other cases, permission to use a particular library in non-free programs enables a greater number of people to use a large body of free software. For example, permission to use the GNU C Library in non-free programs enables many more people to use the whole GNU operating system, as well as its variant, the GNU/Linux operating system.

Although the Lesser General Public License is Less protective of the users' freedom, it does ensure that the user of a program that is linked with the Library has the freedom and the wherewithal to run that program using a modified version of the Library.

The precise terms and conditions for copying, distribution and modification follow. Pay close attention to the difference between a "work based on the library" and a "work that uses the library". The former contains code derived from the library, whereas the latter must be combined with the library in order to run.

A.1.2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR COPYING, DISTRIBUTION AND MODIFICATION

0. This License Agreement applies to any software library or other program which contains a notice placed by the copyright holder or other authorized party saying it may be distributed under the terms of this Lesser General Public License (also called "this License"). Each licensee is addressed as "you".

A "library" means a collection of software functions and/or data prepared so as to be conveniently linked with application programs (which use some of those functions and data) to form executables.

The "Library", below, refers to any such software library or work which has been distributed under these terms. A "work based on the Library" means either the Library or any derivative work under copyright law: that is to say, a work containing the Library or a portion of it, either verbatim or with modifications and/or translated straightforwardly into another language. (Hereinafter, translation is included without limitation in the term "modification".)

"Source code" for a work means the preferred form of the work for making modifications to it. For a library, complete source code means all the source code for all modules it contains, plus any associated interface definition files, plus the scripts used to control compilation and installation of the library.

Activities other than copying, distribution and modification are not covered by this License; they are outside its scope. The act of running a program using the Library is not restricted, and output from such a program is covered only if its contents constitute a work based on the Library (independent of the use of the Library in a tool for writing it). Whether that is true depends on what the Library does and what the program that uses the Library does.

1. You may copy and distribute verbatim copies of the Library's complete source code as you receive it, in any medium, provided that you conspicuously and appropriately publish on each copy an appropriate copyright notice and disclaimer of warranty; keep intact all the notices that refer to this License and to the absence of any warranty; and distribute a copy of this License along with the Library.

   You may charge a fee for the physical act of transferring a copy, and you may at your option offer warranty protection in exchange for a fee.

2. You may modify your copy or copies of the Library or any portion of it, thus forming a work based on the Library, and copy and distribute such modifications or work under the terms of Section 1 above, provided that you also meet all of these conditions:

   a. The modified work must itself be a software library.

   b. You must cause the files modified to carry prominent notices stating that you changed the files and the date of any change.

   c. You must cause the whole of the work to be licensed at no charge to all third parties under the terms of this License.

   d. If a facility in the modified Library refers to a function or a table of data to be supplied by an application program that uses the facility, other than as an argument passed when the facility is invoked, then you must make a good faith effort to ensure that, in the event an application does not supply such function or table, the facility still operates, and performs whatever part of its purpose remains meaningful.

      (For example, a function in a library to compute square roots has a purpose that is entirely well-defined independent of the application. Therefore, Subsection 2d requires that any application-supplied function or table used by this function must be optional: if the application does not supply it, the square root function must still compute square roots.)

These requirements apply to the modified work as a whole. If identifiable sections of that work are not derived from the Library, and can be reasonably considered independent and separate works in themselves, then this License, and its terms, do not apply to those sections when you distribute them as separate works. But when you distribute the same sections as part of a whole which is a work based on the Library, the distribution of the whole must be on the terms of this License, whose permissions for other licensees extend to the entire whole, and thus to each and every part regardless of who wrote it.

Thus, it is not the intent of this section to claim rights or contest your rights to work written entirely by you; rather, the intent is to exercise the right to control the distribution of derivative or collective works based on the Library.

In addition, mere aggregation of another work not based on the Library with the Library (or with a work based on the Library) on a volume of a storage or distribution medium does not bring the other work under the scope of this License.

3. You may opt to apply the terms of the ordinary GNU General Public License instead of this License to a given copy of the Library. To do this, you must alter all the notices that refer to this License, so that they refer to the ordinary GNU General Public License, version 2, instead of to this License. (If a newer version than version 2 of the ordinary GNU General Public License has appeared, then you can specify that version instead if you wish.) Do not make any other change in these notices.

   Once this change is made in a given copy, it is irreversible for that copy, so the ordinary GNU General Public License applies to all subsequent copies and derivative works made from that copy.

   This option is useful when you wish to copy part of the code of the Library into a program that is not a library.

4. You may copy and distribute the Library (or a portion or derivative of it, under Section 2) in object code or executable form under the terms of Sections 1 and 2 above provided that you accompany it with the complete corresponding machine-readable source code, which must be distributed under the terms of Sections 1 and 2 above on a medium customarily used for software interchange.

   If distribution of object code is made by offering access to copy from a designated place, then offering equivalent access to copy the source code from the same place satisfies the requirement to distribute the source code, even though third parties are not compelled to copy the source along with the object code.

5. A program that contains no derivative of any portion of the Library, but is designed to work with the Library by being compiled or linked with it, is called a "work that uses the Library". Such a work, in isolation, is not a derivative work of the Library, and therefore falls outside the scope of this License.

   However, linking a "work that uses the Library" with the Library creates an executable that is a derivative of the Library (because it contains portions of the Library), rather than a "work that uses the library". The executable is therefore covered by this License. Section 6 states terms for distribution of such executables.

   When a "work that uses the Library" uses material from a header file that is part of the Library, the object code for the work may be a derivative work of the Library even though the source code is not. Whether this is true is especially significant if the work

can be linked without the Library, or if the work is itself a library. The threshold for this to be true is not precisely defined by law.

If such an object file uses only numerical parameters, data structure layouts and accessors, and small macros and small inline functions (ten lines or less in length), then the use of the object file is unrestricted, regardless of whether it is legally a derivative work. (Executables containing this object code plus portions of the Library will still fall under Section 6.)

Otherwise, if the work is a derivative of the Library, you may distribute the object code for the work under the terms of Section 6. Any executables containing that work also fall under Section 6, whether or not they are linked directly with the Library itself.

6. As an exception to the Sections above, you may also combine or link a "work that uses the Library" with the Library to produce a work containing portions of the Library, and distribute that work under terms of your choice, provided that the terms permit modification of the work for the customer's own use and reverse engineering for debugging such modifications.

   You must give prominent notice with each copy of the work that the Library is used in it and that the Library and its use are covered by this License. You must supply a copy of this License. If the work during execution displays copyright notices, you must include the copyright notice for the Library among them, as well as a reference directing the user to the copy of this License. Also, you must do one of these things:

   a. Accompany the work with the complete corresponding machine-readable source code for the Library including whatever changes were used in the work (which must be distributed under Sections 1 and 2 above); and, if the work is an executable linked with the Library, with the complete machine-readable "work that uses the Library", as object code and/or source code, so that the user can modify the Library and then relink to produce a modified executable containing the modified Library. (It is understood that the user who changes the contents of definitions files in the Library will not necessarily be able to recompile the application to use the modified definitions.)

   b. Use a suitable shared library mechanism for linking with the Library. A suitable mechanism is one that (1) uses at run time a copy of the library already present on the user's computer system, rather than copying library functions into the executable, and (2) will operate properly with a modified version of the library, if the user installs one, as long as the modified version is interface-compatible with the version that the work was made with.

   c. Accompany the work with a written offer, valid for at least three years, to give the same user the materials specified in Subsection 6a, above, for a charge no more than the cost of performing this distribution.

   d. If distribution of the work is made by offering access to copy from a designated place, offer equivalent access to copy the above specified materials from the same place.

   e. Verify that the user has already received a copy of these materials or that you have already sent this user a copy.

   For an executable, the required form of the "work that uses the Library" must include any data and utility programs needed for reproducing the executable from it. However,

as a special exception, the materials to be distributed need not include anything that is normally distributed (in either source or binary form) with the major components (compiler, kernel, and so on) of the operating system on which the executable runs, unless that component itself accompanies the executable.

It may happen that this requirement contradicts the license restrictions of other proprietary libraries that do not normally accompany the operating system. Such a contradiction means you cannot use both them and the Library together in an executable that you distribute.

7. You may place library facilities that are a work based on the Library side-by-side in a single library together with other library facilities not covered by this License, and distribute such a combined library, provided that the separate distribution of the work based on the Library and of the other library facilities is otherwise permitted, and provided that you do these two things:

    a. Accompany the combined library with a copy of the same work based on the Library, uncombined with any other library facilities. This must be distributed under the terms of the Sections above.

    b. Give prominent notice with the combined library of the fact that part of it is a work based on the Library, and explaining where to find the accompanying uncombined form of the same work.

8. You may not copy, modify, sublicense, link with, or distribute the Library except as expressly provided under this License. Any attempt otherwise to copy, modify, sublicense, link with, or distribute the Library is void, and will automatically terminate your rights under this License. However, parties who have received copies, or rights, from you under this License will not have their licenses terminated so long as such parties remain in full compliance.

9. You are not required to accept this License, since you have not signed it. However, nothing else grants you permission to modify or distribute the Library or its derivative works. These actions are prohibited by law if you do not accept this License. Therefore, by modifying or distributing the Library (or any work based on the Library), you indicate your acceptance of this License to do so, and all its terms and conditions for copying, distributing or modifying the Library or works based on it.

10. Each time you redistribute the Library (or any work based on the Library), the recipient automatically receives a license from the original licensor to copy, distribute, link with or modify the Library subject to these terms and conditions. You may not impose any further restrictions on the recipients' exercise of the rights granted herein. You are not responsible for enforcing compliance by third parties with this License.

11. If, as a consequence of a court judgment or allegation of patent infringement or for any other reason (not limited to patent issues), conditions are imposed on you (whether by court order, agreement or otherwise) that contradict the conditions of this License, they do not excuse you from the conditions of this License. If you cannot distribute so as to satisfy simultaneously your obligations under this License and any other pertinent obligations, then as a consequence you may not distribute the Library at all. For example, if a patent license would not permit royalty-free redistribution of the Library by all those who receive copies directly or indirectly through you, then the only way

you could satisfy both it and this License would be to refrain entirely from distribution of the Library.

If any portion of this section is held invalid or unenforceable under any particular circumstance, the balance of the section is intended to apply, and the section as a whole is intended to apply in other circumstances.

It is not the purpose of this section to induce you to infringe any patents or other property right claims or to contest validity of any such claims; this section has the sole purpose of protecting the integrity of the free software distribution system which is implemented by public license practices. Many people have made generous contributions to the wide range of software distributed through that system in reliance on consistent application of that system; it is up to the author/donor to decide if he or she is willing to distribute software through any other system and a licensee cannot impose that choice.

This section is intended to make thoroughly clear what is believed to be a consequence of the rest of this License.

12. If the distribution and/or use of the Library is restricted in certain countries either by patents or by copyrighted interfaces, the original copyright holder who places the Library under this License may add an explicit geographical distribution limitation excluding those countries, so that distribution is permitted only in or among countries not thus excluded. In such case, this License incorporates the limitation as if written in the body of this License.

13. The Free Software Foundation may publish revised and/or new versions of the Lesser General Public License from time to time. Such new versions will be similar in spirit to the present version, but may differ in detail to address new problems or concerns.

    Each version is given a distinguishing version number. If the Library specifies a version number of this License which applies to it and "any later version", you have the option of following the terms and conditions either of that version or of any later version published by the Free Software Foundation. If the Library does not specify a license version number, you may choose any version ever published by the Free Software Foundation.

14. If you wish to incorporate parts of the Library into other free programs whose distribution conditions are incompatible with these, write to the author to ask for permission. For software which is copyrighted by the Free Software Foundation, write to the Free Software Foundation; we sometimes make exceptions for this. Our decision will be guided by the two goals of preserving the free status of all derivatives of our free software and of promoting the sharing and reuse of software generally.

NO WARRANTY

15. BECAUSE THE LIBRARY IS LICENSED FREE OF CHARGE, THERE IS NO WARRANTY FOR THE LIBRARY, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW. EXCEPT WHEN OTHERWISE STATED IN WRITING THE COPYRIGHT HOLDERS AND/OR OTHER PARTIES PROVIDE THE LIBRARY "AS IS" WITHOUT WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THE ENTIRE RISK AS TO THE QUALITY AND PERFORMANCE OF THE LIBRARY IS WITH

YOU. SHOULD THE LIBRARY PROVE DEFECTIVE, YOU ASSUME THE COST OF ALL NECESSARY SERVICING, REPAIR OR CORRECTION.

16. IN NO EVENT UNLESS REQUIRED BY APPLICABLE LAW OR AGREED TO IN WRITING WILL ANY COPYRIGHT HOLDER, OR ANY OTHER PARTY WHO MAY MODIFY AND/OR REDISTRIBUTE THE LIBRARY AS PERMITTED ABOVE, BE LIABLE TO YOU FOR DAMAGES, INCLUDING ANY GENERAL, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THE USE OR INABILITY TO USE THE LIBRARY (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LOSS OF DATA OR DATA BEING RENDERED INACCURATE OR LOSSES SUSTAINED BY YOU OR THIRD PARTIES OR A FAILURE OF THE LIBRARY TO OPERATE WITH ANY OTHER SOFTWARE), EVEN IF SUCH HOLDER OR OTHER PARTY HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

END OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A.1.3 How to Apply These Terms to Your New Libraries

If you develop a new library, and you want it to be of the greatest possible use to the public, we recommend making it free software that everyone can redistribute and change. You can do so by permitting redistribution under these terms (or, alternatively, under the terms of the ordinary General Public License).

To apply these terms, attach the following notices to the library. It is safest to attach them to the start of each source file to most effectively convey the exclusion of warranty; and each file should have at least the "copyright" line and a pointer to where the full notice is found.

```
one line to give the library's name and an idea of what it does.
Copyright (C) year  name of author

This library is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify it
under the terms of the GNU Lesser General Public License as published by
the Free Software Foundation; either version 2.1 of the License, or (at
your option) any later version.

This library is distributed in the hope that it will be useful, but
WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY; without even the implied warranty of
MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.  See the GNU
Lesser General Public License for more details.

You should have received a copy of the GNU Lesser General Public
License along with this library; if not, write to the Free Software
Foundation, Inc., 51 Franklin Street, Fifth Floor, Boston, MA 02110-1301,
USA.
```

Also add information on how to contact you by electronic and paper mail.

You should also get your employer (if you work as a programmer) or your school, if any, to sign a "copyright disclaimer" for the library, if necessary. Here is a sample; alter the names:

```
Yoyodyne, Inc., hereby disclaims all copyright interest in the library
'Frob' (a library for tweaking knobs) written by James Random Hacker.

signature of Ty Coon, 1 April 1990
Ty Coon, President of Vice
```

That's all there is to it!

A.2 BSD

Copyright © 1990 Regents of the University of California. All rights reserved.

Redistribution and use in source and binary forms, with or without modification, are permitted provided that the following conditions are met:

1. Redistributions of source code must retain the above copyright notice, this list of conditions and the following disclaimer.

2. Redistributions in binary form must reproduce the above copyright notice, this list of conditions and the following disclaimer in the documentation and/or other materials provided with the distribution.

3. [rescinded 22 July 1999]

4. Neither the name of the University nor the names of its contributors may be used to endorse or promote products derived from this software without specific prior written permission.

THIS SOFTWARE IS PROVIDED BY THE REGENTS AND CONTRIBUTORS "AS IS" AND ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE DISCLAIMED. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE REGENTS OR CONTRIBUTORS BE LIABLE FOR ANY DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROCUREMENT OF SUBSTITUTE GOODS OR SERVICES; LOSS OF USE, DATA, OR PROFITS; OR BUSINESS INTERRUPTION) HOWEVER CAUSED AND ON ANY THEORY OF LIABILITY, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, STRICT LIABILITY, OR TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE OR OTHERWISE) ARISING IN ANY WAY OUT OF THE USE OF THIS SOFTWARE, EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGE.

Index

A

B

C

D

E

F

G

H

I

L