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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'imaxdiv\_t.3'

# \$ man imaxdiv\_t.3 SYSTEM\_DATA\_TYPES(7) Linux Programmer's Manual SYSTEM\_DATA\_TYPES(7) NAME system\_data\_types - overview of system data types DESCRIPTION aiocb Include: <aio.h>. struct aiocb { aio fildes; /\* File descriptor \*/ int off t aio offset; /\* File offset \*/ volatile void \*aio\_buf; /\* Location of buffer \*/ aio\_nbytes; /\* Length of transfer \*/ size t aio\_reqprio; /\* Request priority offset \*/ int struct sigevent aio\_sigevent; /\* Signal number and value \*/ int aio\_lio\_opcode;/\* Operation to be performed \*/ **}**; For further information about this structure, see aio(7). Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later. See also: aio\_cancel(3), aio\_error(3), aio\_fsync(3), aio\_read(3), aio\_return(3), aio\_suspend(3), aio\_write(3), lio\_listio(3) clock t Include: <time.h> or <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <sys/time.h>. Used for system time in clock ticks or CLOCKS\_PER\_SEC (defined in <time.h>). Ac?

cording to POSIX, it shall be an integer type or a real-floating type.

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Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: times(2), clock(3)
clockid t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <time.h>.
    Used for clock ID type in the clock and timer functions. According to POSIX, it
    shall be defined as an arithmetic type.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: clock_adjtime(2), clock_getres(2), clock_nanosleep(2), timer_create(2),
    clock getcpuclockid(3)
dev t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <sys/stat.h>.
    Used for device IDs. According to POSIX, it shall be an integer type. For further
    details of this type, see makedev(3).
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: mknod(2), stat(2)
div_t
    Include: <stdlib.h>.
    typedef struct {
      int quot; /* Quotient */
      int rem; /* Remainder */
    } div_t;
    It is the type of the value returned by the div(3) function.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: div(3)
double_t
    Include: <math.h>.
    The implementation's most efficient floating type at least as wide as double. Its
    type depends on the value of the macro FLT_EVAL_METHOD (defined in <float.h>):
    0
         double_t is double.
         double_t is double.
    2
         double_t is long double.
    For other values of FLT_EVAL_METHOD, the type of double_t is implementation-de?
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Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: the float_t type in this page.
fd_set
    Include: <sys/select.h>. Alternatively, <sys/time.h>.
    A structure type that can represent a set of file descriptors. According to POSIX,
    the maximum number of file descriptors in an fd_set structure is the value of the
    macro FD_SETSIZE.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: select(2)
fenv t
    Include: <fenv.h>.
    This type represents the entire floating-point environment, including control modes
    and status flags; for further details, see fenv(3).
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: fenv(3)
fexcept_t
    Include: <fenv.h>.
    This type represents the floating-point status flags collectively; for further de?
    tails see fenv(3).
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: fenv(3)
FILE
    Include: <stdio.h>. Alternatively, <wchar.h>.
    An object type used for streams.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: fclose(3), flockfile(3), fopen(3), fprintf(3), fread(3), fscanf(3),
    stdin(3), stdio(3)
float t
    Include: <math.h>.
    The implementation's most efficient floating type at least as wide as float. Its
    type depends on the value of the macro FLT_EVAL_METHOD (defined in <float.h>):
    0
         float_t is float.
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float\_t is double.

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float t is long double.
    For other values of FLT_EVAL_METHOD, the type of float_t is implementation-defined.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: the double_t type in this page.
gid_t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <grp.h>, <pwd.h>, <signal.h>, <stropts.h>,
    <sys/ipc.h>, <sys/stat.h>, or <unistd.h>.
    A type used to hold group IDs. According to POSIX, this shall be an integer type.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: chown(2), getgid(2), getegid(2), getgroups(2), getresgid(2), getgrnam(2),
    credentials(7)
id_t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <sys/resource.h>.
    A type used to hold a general identifier. According to POSIX, this shall be an in?
    teger type that can be used to contain a pid_t, uid_t, or gid_t.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: getpriority(2), waitid(2)
imaxdiv t
    Include: <inttypes.h>.
    typedef struct {
      intmax_t quot; /* Quotient */
      intmax_t rem; /* Remainder */
    } imaxdiv t;
    It is the type of the value returned by the imaxdiv(3) function.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: imaxdiv(3)
intmax t
    Include: <stdint.h>. Alternatively, <intypes.h>.
    A signed integer type capable of representing any value of any signed integer type
    supported by the implementation. According to the C language standard, it shall be
    capable of storing values in the range [INTMAX_MIN, INTMAX_MAX].
    The macro INTMAX_C() expands its argument to an integer constant of type intmax_t.
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The length modifier for intmax\_t for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of

functions is j; resulting commonly in %jd or %ji for printing intmax\_t values.

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

Bugs: intmax\_t is not large enough to represent values of type \_\_int128 in imple? mentations where \_\_int128 is defined and long long is less than 128 bits wide.

See also: the uintmax\_t type in this page.

## intN\_t

Include: <stdint.h>. Alternatively, <inttypes.h>.

int8\_t, int16\_t, int32\_t, int64\_t

A signed integer type of a fixed width of exactly N bits, N being the value speci? fied in its type name. According to the C language standard, they shall be capable of storing values in the range [INTN\_MIN, INTN\_MAX], substituting N by the appro? priate number.

According to POSIX, int8\_t, int16\_t, and int32\_t are required; int64\_t is only re? quired in implementations that provide integer types with width 64; and all other types of this form are optional.

The length modifiers for the intN\_t types for the printf(3) family of functions are expanded by macros of the forms PRIdN and PRIiN (defined in <inttypes.h>); result? ing for example in %"PRId64" or %"PRIi64" for printing int64\_t values. The length modifiers for the intN\_t types for the scanf(3) family of functions are expanded by macros of the forms SCNdN and SCNiN, (defined in <inttypes.h>); resulting for exam? ple in %"SCNd8" or %"SCNi8" for scanning int8\_t values.

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: the intmax\_t, uintN\_t, and uintmax\_t types in this page.

## intptr\_t

Include: <stdint.h>. Alternatively, <inttypes.h>.

A signed integer type such that any valid (void \*) value can be converted to this type and back. According to the C language standard, it shall be capable of stor? ing values in the range [INTPTR\_MIN, INTPTR\_MAX].

The length modifier for intptr\_t for the printf(3) family of functions is expanded by the macros PRIdPTR and PRIiPTR (defined in <inttypes.h>); resulting commonly in %"PRIdPTR" or %"PRIiPTR" for printing intptr\_t values. The length modifier for intptr\_t for the scanf(3) family of functions is expanded by the macros SCNdPTR and SCNiPTR, (defined in <inttypes.h>); resulting commonly in %"SCNdPTR" or %"SCNiPTR"

for scanning intptr t values. Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later. See also: the uintptr\_t and void \* types in this page. Iconv Include: <locale.h>. /\* Values in the "C" locale: \*/ struct Iconv { /\* "." \*/ char \*decimal\_point; /\* "" \*/ char \*thousands\_sep; /\* "" \*/ char \*grouping; \*mon\_decimal\_point; /\* "" \*/ char \*mon\_thousands\_sep; /\* "" \*/ char \*mon\_grouping; char char \*positive\_sign; char \*negative\_sign; \*currency\_symbol; /\* "" \*/ char frac\_digits; char /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char p\_cs\_precedes; char n cs precedes; /\* CHAR MAX \*/ p\_sep\_by\_space; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char n\_sep\_by\_space; char p\_sign\_posn; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ n\_sign\_posn; char /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ \*int\_curr\_symbol; /\* "" \*/ char int\_frac\_digits; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char int\_p\_cs\_precedes; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char char int\_n\_cs\_precedes; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char int\_p\_sep\_by\_space; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char int\_n\_sep\_by\_space; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char int\_p\_sign\_posn; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/ char int\_n\_sign\_posn; /\* CHAR\_MAX \*/

Contains members related to the formatting of numeric values. In the "C" locale,

its members have the values shown in the comments above.

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Conforming to: C11 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: setlocale(3), localeconv(3), charsets(5), locale(7)
ldiv_t
    Include: <stdlib.h>.
    typedef struct {
      long quot; /* Quotient */
      long rem; /* Remainder */
    } ldiv_t;
    It is the type of the value returned by the ldiv(3) function.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: Idiv(3)
lldiv_t
    Include: <stdlib.h>.
    typedef struct {
      long long quot; /* Quotient */
      long long rem; /* Remainder */
    } Ildiv_t;
    It is the type of the value returned by the Ildiv(3) function.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: Ildiv(3)
off_t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <aio.h>, <fcntl.h>, <stdio.h>,
    <sys/mman.h>, <sys/stat.h.h>, or <unistd.h>.
    Used for file sizes. According to POSIX, this shall be a signed integer type.
    Versions: <aio.h> and <stdio.h> define off_t since POSIX.1-2008.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    Notes: On some architectures, the width of this type can be controlled with the
    feature test macro _FILE_OFFSET_BITS.
    See also: lseek(2), mmap(2), posix_fadvise(2), pread(2), truncate(2), fseeko(3),
    lockf(3), posix_fallocate(3), feature_test_macros(7)
pid_t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <fcntl.h>, <sched.h>, <signal.h>,
    <spawn.h>, <sys/msg.h>, <sys/sem.h>, <sys/shm.h>, <sys/wait.h>, <termios.h>,
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<time.h>, <unistd.h>, or <utmpx.h>.
    This type is used for storing process IDs, process group IDs, and session IDs. Ac?
    cording to POSIX, it shall be a signed integer type, and the implementation shall
    support one or more programming environments where the width of pid_t is no greater
    than the width of the type long.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: fork(2), getpid(2), getpid(2), getsid(2), gettid(2), getpgid(2),
    kill(2), pidfd_open(2), sched_setscheduler(2), waitpid(2), sigqueue(3), creden?
    tials(7),
ptrdiff t
    Include: <stddef.h>.
    Used for a count of elements, and array indices. It is the result of subtracting
    two pointers. According to the C language standard, it shall be a signed integer
    type capable of storing values in the range [PTRDIFF_MIN, PTRDIFF_MAX].
    The length modifier for ptrdiff_t for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of
    functions is t; resulting commonly in %td or %ti for printing ptrdiff_t values.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: the size t and ssize t types in this page.
regex_t
    Include: <regex.h>.
    typedef struct {
      size_t re_nsub; /* Number of parenthesized subexpressions. */
    } regex_t;
    This is a structure type used in regular expression matching. It holds a compiled
    regular expression, compiled with regcomp(3).
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: regex(3)
regmatch_t
    Include: <regex.h>.
    typedef struct {
      regoff_t rm_so; /* Byte offset from start of string
                    to start of substring */
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regoff\_t rm\_eo; /\* Byte offset from start of string of

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substring */
    } regmatch_t;
    This is a structure type used in regular expression matching.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: regexec(3)
regoff_t
    Include: <regex.h>.
    According to POSIX, it shall be a signed integer type capable of storing the
    largest value that can be stored in either a ptrdiff_t type or a ssize_t type.
    Versions: Prior to POSIX.1-2008, the type was capable of storing the largest value
    that can be stored in either an off_t type or a ssize_t type.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: the regmatch_t structure and the ptrdiff_t and ssize_t types in this
    page.
sigevent
    Include: <signal.h>. Alternatively, <aio.h>, <mqueue.h>, or <time.h>.
    struct sigevent {
      int
                 sigev_notify; /* Notification type */
      int
                 sigev_signo; /* Signal number */
      union sigval sigev_value; /* Signal value */
      void
                 (*sigev_notify_function)(union sigval);
                         /* Notification function */
      pthread_attr_t *sigev_notify_attributes;
                         /* Notification attributes */
    };
    For further details about this type, see sigevent(7).
    Versions: <aio.h> and <time.h> define sigevent since POSIX.1-2008.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: timer_create(2), getaddrinfo_a(3), lio_listio(3), mq_notify(3)
    See also the aiocb structure in this page.
siginfo_t
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Include: <signal.h>. Alternatively, <sys/wait.h>.

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typedef struct {
      int
             si_signo; /* Signal number */
      int
             si_code; /* Signal code */
      pid_t si_pid; /* Sending process ID */
      uid_t si_uid; /* Real user ID of sending process */
      void *si_addr; /* Address of faulting instruction */
      int
             si_status; /* Exit value or signal */
      union sigval si_value; /* Signal value */
    } siginfo t;
    Information associated with a signal. For further details on this structure (in?
    cluding additional, Linux-specific fields), see sigaction(2).
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: pidfd_send_signal(2), rt_sigqueueinfo(2), sigaction(2), sigwaitinfo(2),
    psiginfo(3)
sigset_t
    Include: <signal.h>. Alternatively, <spawn.h>, or <sys/select.h>.
    This is a type that represents a set of signals. According to POSIX, this shall be
    an integer or structure type.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: epoll_pwait(2), ppoll(2), pselect(2), sigaction(2), signalfd(2), sigpend?
    ing(2), sigprocmask(2), sigsuspend(2), sigwaitinfo(2), signal(7)
sigval
    Include: <signal.h>.
    union sigval {
      int
            sigval_int; /* Integer value */
      void *sigval_ptr; /* Pointer value */
    };
    Data passed with a signal.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: pthread_sigqueue(3), sigqueue(3), sigevent(7)
    See also the sigevent structure and the siginfo_t type in this page.
size_t
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Include: <stddef.h> or <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <aio.h>, <glob.h>, <grp.h>,

<iconv.h>, <monetary.h>, <mqueue.h>, <ndbm.h>, <pwd.h>, <regex.h>, <search.h>,
<signal.h>, <stdio.h>, <stdib.h>, <string.h>, <strings.h>, <sys/mman.h>,
<sys/msg.h>, <sys/sem.h>, <sys/shm.h>, <sys/socket.h>, <sys/uio.h>, <time.h>,
<unistd.h>, <wchar.h>, or <wordexp.h>.

Used for a count of bytes. It is the result of the sizeof operator. According to the C language standard, it shall be an unsigned integer type capable of storing values in the range [0, SIZE\_MAX]. According to POSIX, the implementation shall support one or more programming environments where the width of size\_t is no greater than the width of the type long.

The length modifier for size\_t for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of func? tions is z; resulting commonly in %zu or %zx for printing size\_t values.

Versions: <aio.h>, <glob.h>, <grp.h>, <iconv.h>, <mqueue.h>, <pwd.h>, <signal.h>, and <sys/socket.h> define size\_t since POSIX.1-2008.

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: read(2), write(2), fread(3), fwrite(3), memcmp(3), memcpy(3), memset(3), offsetof(3)

See also the ptrdiff\_t and ssize\_t types in this page.

# ssize\_t

Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <aio.h>, <monetary.h>, <mqueue.h>, <stdio.h>, <sys/msg.h>, <sys/socket.h>, <sys/uio.h>, or <unistd.h>.

Used for a count of bytes or an error indication. According to POSIX, it shall be a signed integer type capable of storing values at least in the range [-1, SSIZE\_MAX], and the implementation shall support one or more programming environ? ments where the width of ssize\_t is no greater than the width of the type long.

Glibc and most other implementations provide a length modifier for ssize\_t for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of functions, which is z; resulting commonly in %zd or %zi for printing ssize\_t values. Although z works for ssize\_t on most im? plementations, portable POSIX programs should avoid using it?for example, by con? verting the value to intmax\_t and using its length modifier (j).

Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: read(2), readlink(2), readv(2), recv(2), send(2), write(2)

See also the ptrdiff\_t and size\_t types in this page.

suseconds\_t Page 11/17

Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <sys/select.h>, or <sys/time.h>. Used for time in microseconds. According to POSIX, it shall be a signed integer type capable of storing values at least in the range [-1, 1000000], and the imple? mentation shall support one or more programming environments where the width of suseconds\_t is no greater than the width of the type long. Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later. See also: the timeval structure in this page. time\_t Include: <time.h> or <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <sched.h>, <sys/msg.h>, <sys/select.h>, <sys/sem.h>, <sys/shm.h>, <sys/stat.h>, <sys/time.h>, or <utime.h>. Used for time in seconds. According to POSIX, it shall be an integer type. Versions: <sched.h> defines time\_t since POSIX.1-2008. Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later. See also: stime(2), time(2), ctime(3), difftime(3) timer\_t Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <time.h>. Used for timer ID returned by timer\_create(2). According to POSIX, there are no defined comparison or assignment operators for this type. Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later. See also: timer\_create(2), timer\_delete(2), timer\_getoverrun(2), timer\_settime(2) timespec Include: <time.h>. Alternatively, <aio.h>, <mqueue.h>, <sched.h>, <signal.h>, <sys/select.h>, or <sys/stat.h>. struct timespec { time\_t tv\_sec; /\* Seconds \*/ long tv nsec; /\* Nanoseconds \*/ **}**; Describes times in seconds and nanoseconds. Conforming to: C11 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later. See also: clock\_gettime(2), clock\_nanosleep(2), nanosleep(2), timerfd\_gettime(2), timer\_gettime(2) timeval

Include: <sys/time.h>. Alternatively, <sys/resource.h>, <sys/select.h>, or

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<utmpx.h>.
    struct timeval {
      time_t tv_sec; /* Seconds */
      suseconds_t tv_usec; /* Microseconds */
    };
    Describes times in seconds and microseconds.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: gettimeofday(2), select(2), utimes(2), adjtime(3), futimes(3), timer?
    add(3)
uid t
    Include: <sys/types.h>. Alternatively, <pwd.h>, <signal.h>, <stropts.h>,
    <sys/ipc.h>, <sys/stat.h>, or <unistd.h>.
    A type used to hold user IDs. According to POSIX, this shall be an integer type.
    Conforming to: POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    See also: chown(2), getuid(2), geteuid(2), getresuid(2), getpwnam(2), creden?
    tials(7)
uintmax_t
    Include: <stdint.h>. Alternatively, <intypes.h>.
    An unsigned integer type capable of representing any value of any unsigned integer
    type supported by the implementation. According to the C language standard, it
    shall be capable of storing values in the range [0, UINTMAX_MAX].
    The macro UINTMAX_C() expands its argument to an integer constant of type uint?
    max t.
    The length modifier for uintmax_t for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of
    functions is j; resulting commonly in %ju or %jx for printing uintmax_t values.
    Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.
    Bugs: uintmax_t is not large enough to represent values of type unsigned __int128
    in implementations where unsigned __int128 is defined and unsigned long long is
    less than 128 bits wide.
    See also: the intmax_t type in this page.
uintN_t
    Include: <stdint.h>. Alternatively, <inttypes.h>.
    uint8_t, uint16_t, uint32_t, uint64_t
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An unsigned integer type of a fixed width of exactly N bits, N being the value specified in its type name. According to the C language standard, they shall be capable of storing values in the range [0, UINTN\_MAX], substituting N by the appro? priate number.

According to POSIX, uint8\_t, uint16\_t, and uint32\_t are required; uint64\_t is only required in implementations that provide integer types with width 64; and all other types of this form are optional.

The length modifiers for the uintN\_t types for the printf(3) family of functions are expanded by macros of the forms PRIuN, PRIoN, PRIxN, and PRIXN (defined in <inttypes.h>); resulting for example in %"PRIu32" or %"PRIx32" for printing uint32\_t values. The length modifiers for the uintN\_t types for the scanf(3) fam? ily of functions are expanded by macros of the forms SCNuN, SCNoN, SCNxN, and SCNXN (defined in <inttypes.h>); resulting for example in %"SCNu16" or %"SCNx16" for scanning uint16\_t values.

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: the intmax\_t, intN\_t, and uintmax\_t types in this page.

#### uintptr\_t

Include: <stdint.h>. Alternatively, <inttypes.h>.

An unsigned integer type such that any valid (void \*) value can be converted to this type and back. According to the C language standard, it shall be capable of storing values in the range [0, UINTPTR\_MAX].

The length modifier for uintptr\_t for the printf(3) family of functions is expanded by the macros PRIuPTR, PRIoPTR, PRIxPTR, and PRIXPTR (defined in <inttypes.h>); re? sulting commonly in %"PRIuPTR" or %"PRIxPTR" for printing uintptr\_t values. The length modifier for uintptr\_t for the scanf(3) family of functions is expanded by the macros SCNuPTR, SCNoPTR, SCNxPTR, and SCNXPTR (defined in <inttypes.h>); re? sulting commonly in %"SCNuPTR" or %"SCNxPTR" for scanning uintptr\_t values.

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: the intptr\_t and void \* types in this page.

## va list

Include: <stdarg>. Alternatively, <stdio.h>, or <wchar.h>.

Used by functions with a varying number of arguments of varying types. The func? tion must declare an object of type va\_list which is used by the macros

va start(3), va arg(3), va copy(3), and va end(3) to traverse the list of argu? ments.

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: va\_start(3), va\_arg(3), va\_copy(3), va\_end(3)

void \*

According to the C language standard, a pointer to any object type may be converted to a pointer to void and back. POSIX further requires that any pointer, including pointers to functions, may be converted to a pointer to void and back.

Conversions from and to any other pointer type are done implicitly, not requiring casts at all. Note that this feature prevents any kind of type checking: the pro? grammer should be careful not to convert a void \* value to a type incompatible to that of the underlying data, because that would result in undefined behavior.

This type is useful in function parameters and return value to allow passing values of any type. The function will typically use some mechanism to know the real type of the data being passed via a pointer to void.

A value of this type can't be dereferenced, as it would give a value of type void, which is not possible. Likewise, pointer arithmetic is not possible with this type. However, in GNU C, pointer arithmetic is allowed as an extension to the standard; this is done by treating the size of a void or of a function as 1. A consequence of this is that size of is also allowed on void and on function types, and returns 1.

The conversion specifier for void \* for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of functions is p.

Versions: The POSIX requirement about compatibility between void \* and function pointers was added in POSIX.1-2008 Technical Corrigendum 1 (2013).

Conforming to: C99 and later; POSIX.1-2001 and later.

See also: malloc(3), memcmp(3), memcpy(3), memset(3)

See also the intptr\_t and uintptr\_t types in this page.

# **NOTES**

The structures described in this manual page shall contain, at least, the members shown in their definition, in no particular order.

Most of the integer types described in this page don't have a corresponding length modi? fier for the printf(3) and the scanf(3) families of functions. To print a value of an in?

teger type that doesn't have a length modifier, it should be converted to intmax\_t or uintmax\_t by an explicit cast. To scan into a variable of an integer type that doesn't have a length modifier, an intermediate temporary variable of type intmax\_t or uintmax\_t should be used. When copying from the temporary variable to the destination variable, the value could overflow. If the type has upper and lower limits, the user should check that the value is within those limits, before actually copying the value. The example below shows how these conversions should be done.

## Conventions used in this page

In "Conforming to" we only concern ourselves with C99 and later and POSIX.1-2001 and later. Some types may be specified in earlier versions of one of these standards, but in the interests of simplicity we omit details from earlier standards.

In "Include", we first note the "primary" header(s) that define the type according to ei? ther the C or POSIX.1 standards. Under "Alternatively", we note additional headers that the standards specify shall define the type.

#### **EXAMPLES**

The program shown below scans from a string and prints a value stored in a variable of an integer type that doesn't have a length modifier. The appropriate conversions from and to intmax\_t, and the appropriate range checks, are used as explained in the notes section above.

```
#include <stdint.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
int
main (void)
{
    static const char *const str = "500000 us in half a second";
    suseconds_t us;
    intmax_t tmp;
    /* Scan the number from the string into the temporary variable */
    sscanf(str, "%jd", &tmp);
    /* Check that the value is within the valid range of suseconds_t */
    if (tmp < -1 || tmp > 1000000) {
```

```
fprintf(stderr, "Scanned value outside valid range!\n");
         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
      }
      /* Copy the value to the suseconds_t variable 'us' */
      us = tmp;
      /* Even though suseconds_t can hold the value -1, this isn't
        a sensible number of microseconds */
      if (us < 0) {
         fprintf(stderr, "Scanned value shouldn't be negative!\n");
         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
      }
      /* Print the value */
      printf("There are %jd microseconds in half a second.\n",
           (intmax_t) us);
      exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
   }
SEE ALSO
    feature_test_macros(7), standards(7)
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```