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***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'memmem.3'***

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**NAME**

memmem - locate a substring

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#define _GNU_SOURCE        /* See feature_test_macros(7) */
#include <string.h>

void *memmem(const void *haystack, size_t haystacklen,
             const void *needle, size_t needlelen);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

The memmem() function finds the start of the first occurrence of the substring needle of length needlelen in the memory area haystack of length haystacklen.

**RETURN VALUE**

The memmem() function returns a pointer to the beginning of the substring, or NULL if the substring is not found.

**ATTRIBUTES**

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

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**CONFORMING TO**

This function is not specified in POSIX.1, but is present on a number of other systems.

## BUGS

In glibc 2.0, if needle is empty, memmem() returns a pointer to the last byte of haystack.

This is fixed in glibc 2.1.

## SEE ALSO

bstring(3), strstr(3)

## COLOPHON

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