



## ***Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'rawmemchr.3' command***

**\$ man rawmemchr.3**

MEMCHR(3)                   Linux Programmer's Manual                   MEMCHR(3)

### NAME

memchr, memrchr, rawmemchr - scan memory for a character

### SYNOPSIS

```
#include <string.h>

void *memchr(const void *s, int c, size_t n);

void *memrchr(const void *s, int c, size_t n);

void *rawmemchr(const void *s, int c);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature\_test\_macros(7)):

memrchr(), rawmemchr(): \_GNU\_SOURCE

### DESCRIPTION

The `memchr()` function scans the initial `n` bytes of the memory area pointed to by `s` for the first instance of `c`. Both `c` and the bytes of the memory area pointed to by `s` are interpreted as unsigned char.

The `memrchr()` function is like the `memchr()` function, except that it searches backward from the end of the `n` bytes pointed to by `s` instead of forward from the beginning.

The `rawmemchr()` function is similar to `memchr()`: it assumes (i.e., the programmer knows for certain) that an instance of `c` lies somewhere in the memory area starting at the location pointed to by `s`, and so performs an optimized search for `c` (i.e., no use of a `count` argument to limit the range of the search). If an instance of `c` is not found, the results are unpredictable. The following call is a fast means of lo?

cating a string's terminating null byte:

```
char *p = rawmemchr(s, '\0');
```

### RETURN VALUE

The memchr() and memrchr() functions return a pointer to the matching byte or NULL if the character does not occur in the given memory area.

The rawmemchr() function returns a pointer to the matching byte, if one is found. If no matching byte is found, the result is unspecified.

### VERSIONS

rawmemchr() first appeared in glibc in version 2.1.

memrchr() first appeared in glibc in version 2.2.

### ATTRIBUTES

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

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### CONFORMING TO

memchr(): POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008, C89, C99, SVr4, 4.3BSD.

The memrchr() function is a GNU extension, available since glibc 2.1.91.

The rawmemchr() function is a GNU extension, available since glibc 2.1.

### SEE ALSO

bstring(3), ffs(3), index(3), memmem(3), rindex(3), strchr(3), strp?

brk(3), strrchr(3), strsep(3), strspn(3), strstr(3), wmemchr(3)

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