

## :c:type:`uv\_udp\_t` --- UDP handle

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UDP handles encapsulate UDP communication for both clients and servers.

### Data types

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```
.. c:type:: uv_udp_t

    UDP handle type.
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```
.. c:type:: uv_udp_send_t

    UDP send request type.
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```
.. c:type:: uv_udp_flags

    Flags used in :c:func:`uv_udp_bind` and :c:type:`uv_udp_recv_cb`.

    ::

    enum uv_udp_flags {
        /* Disables dual stack mode. */
        UV_UDP_IPV6ONLY = 1,
        /*
         * Indicates message was truncated because read buffer was too small. The
         * remainder was discarded by the OS. Used in uv_udp_recv_cb.
         */
        UV_UDP_PARTIAL = 2,
        /*
         * Indicates if SO_REUSEADDR will be set when binding the handle in
         * uv_udp_bind.
         * This sets the SO_REUSEPORT socket flag on the BSDs and OS X. On other
         * Unix platforms, it sets the SO_REUSEADDR flag. What that means is that
         * multiple threads or processes can bind to the same address without error
         * (provided they all set the flag) but only the last one to bind will receive
         * any traffic, in effect "stealing" the port from the previous listener.
         */
        UV_UDP_REUSEADDR = 4,
        /*
         * Indicates that the message was received by recvmmsg, so the buffer provided
         * must not be freed by the recv_cb callback.
         */
        UV_UDP_MMSG_CHUNK = 8,
        /*
         * Indicates that the buffer provided has been fully utilized by recvmmsg and
         * that it should now be freed by the recv_cb callback. When this flag is set
         * in uv_udp_recv_cb, nread will always be 0 and addr will always be NULL.
         */
        UV_UDP_MMSG_FREE = 16,
        /*
         * Indicates if IP_RECVERR/IPV6_RECVERR will be set when binding the handle.
         * This sets IP_RECVERR for IPv4 and IPV6_RECVERR for IPv6 UDP sockets on
         * Linux. This stops the Linux kernel from suppressing some ICMP error messages
         * and enables full ICMP error reporting for faster failover.
         * This flag is no-op on platforms other than Linux.
         */
        UV_UDP_LINUX_RECVERR = 32,
        /*
         * Indicates that recvmmsg should be used, if available.
         */
        UV_UDP_RECVMMSG = 256
    };
```

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```
.. c:type:: void (*uv_udp_send_cb)(uv_udp_send_t* req, int status)

    Type definition for callback passed to :c:func:`uv_udp_send`, which is
    called after the data was sent.
```

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```
.. c:type:: void (*uv_udp_recv_cb)(uv_udp_t* handle, ssize_t nread, const uv_buf_t* buf, const struct sockaddr* addr, unsigned flags)

    Type definition for callback passed to :c:func:`uv_udp_recv_start`, which
    is called when the endpoint receives data.

    * `handle`: UDP handle
    * `nread`: Number of bytes that have been received.
      0 if there is no more data to read. Note that 0 may also mean that an
      empty datagram was received (in this case `addr` is not NULL). < 0 if
      a transmission error was detected; if using :man:`recvmmsg(2)` no more
      chunks will be received and the buffer can be freed safely.
    * `buf`: :c:type:`uv_buf_t` with the received data.
    * `addr`: ``struct sockaddr*`` containing the address of the sender.
      Can be NULL. Valid for the duration of the callback only.
    * `flags`: One or more or'ed UV_UDP_* constants.

    The callee is responsible for freeing the buffer, libuv does not reuse it.
    The buffer may be a null buffer (where `buf->base` == NULL and `buf->len` == 0)
```

on error.

When using `:man:recvmsg(2)`, chunks will have the `'UV_UDP_MMSG_CHUNK'` flag set, those must not be freed. If no errors occur, there will be a final callback with `'nread'` set to 0, `'addr'` set to NULL and the buffer pointing at the initially allocated data with the `'UV_UDP_MMSG_CHUNK'` flag cleared and the `'UV_UDP_MMSG_FREE'` flag set. If a UDP socket error occurs, `'nread'` will be `< 0`. In either scenario, the callee can now safely free the provided buffer.

.. versionchanged:: 1.40.0 added the `'UV_UDP_MMSG_FREE'` flag.

.. note::

The receive callback will be called with `'nread' == 0` and `'addr' == NULL` when there is nothing to read, and with `'nread' == 0` and `'addr' != NULL` when an empty UDP packet is received.

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.. c:enum:: uv\_membership

Membership type for a multicast address.

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```
typedef enum {
    UV_LEAVE_GROUP = 0,
    UV_JOIN_GROUP
} uv_membership;
```

## Public members

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.. c:member:: size\_t uv\_udp\_t.send\_queue\_size

Number of bytes queued for sending. This field strictly shows how much information is currently queued.

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.. c:member:: size\_t uv\_udp\_t.send\_queue\_count

Number of send requests currently in the queue awaiting to be processed.

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.. c:member:: uv\_udp\_t\* uv\_udp\_send\_t.handle

UDP handle where this send request is taking place.

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.. seealso:: The `:c:type:'uv_handle_t'` members also apply.

## API

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.. c:funciton:: int uv\_udp\_init(uv\_loop\_t\* loop, uv\_udp\_t\* handle)

Initialize a new UDP handle. The actual socket is created lazily. Returns 0 on success.

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.. c:funciton:: int uv\_udp\_init\_ex(uv\_loop\_t\* loop, uv\_udp\_t\* handle, unsigned int flags)

Initialize the handle with the specified flags. The lower 8 bits of the `'flags'` parameter are used as the socket domain. A socket will be created for the given domain. If the specified domain is `'AF_UNSPEC'` no socket is created, just like `:c:func:'uv_udp_init'`.

The remaining bits can be used to set one of these flags:

\* `'UV_UDP_RECVMMSG'`: if set, and the platform supports it, `:man:recvmsg(2)` will be used.

.. versionadded:: 1.7.0

.. versionchanged:: 1.37.0 added the `'UV_UDP_RECVMMSG'` flag.

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.. c:funciton:: int uv\_udp\_open(uv\_udp\_t\* handle, uv\_os\_sock\_t sock)

Opens an existing file descriptor or Windows SOCKET as a UDP handle.

Unix only:

The only requirement of the `'sock'` argument is that it follows the datagram

contract (works in unconnected mode, supports sendmsg()/recvmsg(), etc). In other words, other datagram-type sockets like raw sockets or netlink sockets can also be passed to this function.

.. versionchanged:: 1.2.1 the file descriptor is set to non-blocking mode.

.. note::  
The passed file descriptor or SOCKET is not checked for its type, but it's required that it represents a valid datagram socket.

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.. c:function:: int uv\_udp\_bind(uv\_udp\_t\* handle, const struct sockaddr\* addr, unsigned int flags)

Bind the UDP handle to an IP address and port.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init'.

:param addr: 'struct sockaddr\_in' or 'struct sockaddr\_in6' with the address and port to bind to.

:param flags: Indicate how the socket will be bound, ``UV\_UDP\_IPV6ONLY``, ``UV\_UDP\_REUSEADDR``, and ``UV\_UDP\_RECVERR`` are supported.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

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.. c:function:: int uv\_udp\_connect(uv\_udp\_t\* handle, const struct sockaddr\* addr)

Associate the UDP handle to a remote address and port, so every message sent by this handle is automatically sent to that destination. Calling this function with a 'NULL' 'addr' disconnects the handle. Trying to call 'uv\_udp\_connect()' on an already connected handle will result in an 'UV\_EISCONN' error. Trying to disconnect a handle that is not connected will return an 'UV\_ENOTCONN' error.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init'.

:param addr: 'struct sockaddr\_in' or 'struct sockaddr\_in6' with the address and port to associate to.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

.. versionadded:: 1.27.0

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.. c:function:: int uv\_udp\_getpeername(const uv\_udp\_t\* handle, struct sockaddr\* name, int\* namelen)

Get the remote IP and port of the UDP handle on connected UDP handles. On unconnected handles, it returns 'UV\_ENOTCONN'.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init' and bound.

:param name: Pointer to the structure to be filled with the address data. In order to support IPv4 and IPv6 'struct sockaddr\_storage' should be used.

:param namelen: On input it indicates the data of the 'name' field. On output it indicates how much of it was filled.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure

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.. c:function:: int uv\_udp\_getsockname(const uv\_udp\_t\* handle, struct sockaddr\* name, int\* namelen)

Get the local IP and port of the UDP handle.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init' and bound.

:param name: Pointer to the structure to be filled with the address data. In order to support IPv4 and IPv6 'struct sockaddr\_storage' should be used.

:param namelen: On input it indicates the data of the 'name' field. On output it indicates how much of it was filled.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

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.. c:function:: int uv\_udp\_set\_membership(uv\_udp\_t\* handle, const char\* multicast\_addr, const char\* interface\_addr, uv\_membership\_t membership)

Set membership for a multicast address

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init'.

:param multicast\_addr: Multicast address to set membership for.

:param interface\_addr: Interface address.

:param membership: Should be ``UV\_JOIN\_GROUP`` or ``UV\_LEAVE\_GROUP``.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

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.. c:function:: int uv_udp_set_source_membership(uv_udp_t* handle, const char* multicast_addr, const char* interface_addr, const char* source_addr)

    Set membership for a source-specific multicast group.

    :param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with
        :c:func:`uv_udp_init`.

    :param multicast_addr: Multicast address to set membership for.

    :param interface_addr: Interface address.

    :param source_addr: Source address.

    :param membership: Should be ``UV_JOIN_GROUP`` or ``UV_LEAVE_GROUP``.

    :returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

.. versionadded:: 1.32.0
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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_set_multicast_loop(uv_udp_t* handle, int on)

    Set IP multicast loop flag. Makes multicast packets loop back to
    local sockets.

    :param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with
        :c:func:`uv_udp_init`.

    :param on: 1 for on, 0 for off.

    :returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.
```

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_set_multicast_ttl(uv_udp_t* handle, int ttl)

    Set the multicast ttl.

    :param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with
        :c:func:`uv_udp_init`.

    :param ttl: 1 through 255.

    :returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.
```

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_set_multicast_interface(uv_udp_t* handle, const char* interface_addr)

    Set the multicast interface to send or receive data on.

    :param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with
        :c:func:`uv_udp_init`.

    :param interface_addr: interface address.

    :returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.
```

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_set_broadcast(uv_udp_t* handle, int on)

    Set broadcast on or off.

    :param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with
        :c:func:`uv_udp_init`.

    :param on: 1 for on, 0 for off.

    :returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.
```

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_set_ttl(uv_udp_t* handle, int ttl)

    Set the time to live.

    :param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with
        :c:func:`uv_udp_init`.

    :param ttl: 1 through 255.

    :returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.
```

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_send(uv_udp_send_t* req, uv_udp_t* handle, const uv_buf_t bufs[], unsigned int nbufs, const struct sockaddr* addr, uv_udp_send_cb cb)

    Send data over the UDP socket. If the socket has not previously been bound
    with :c:func:`uv_udp_bind` it will be bound to 0.0.0.0
    (the "all interfaces" IPv4 address) and a random port number.

    On Windows if the `addr` is initialized to point to an unspecified address
    (``0.0.0.0`` or ``::``) it will be changed to point to ``localhost``.
```

This is done to match the behavior of Linux systems.

For connected UDP handles, 'addr' must be set to 'NULL', otherwise it will return 'UV\_EISCONN' error.

For connectionless UDP handles, 'addr' cannot be 'NULL', otherwise it will return 'UV\_EDESTADDRREQ' error.

:param req: UDP request handle. Need not be initialized.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init'.

:param bufs: List of buffers to send.

:param nbufs: Number of buffers in 'bufs'.

:param addr: 'struct sockaddr\_in' or 'struct sockaddr\_in6' with the address and port of the remote peer.

:param send\_cb: Callback to invoke when the data has been sent out.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

.. versionchanged:: 1.19.0 added ``0.0.0.0`` and ``::`` to ``localhost`` mapping

.. versionchanged:: 1.27.0 added support for connected sockets

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_try_send(uv_udp_t* handle, const uv_buf_t bufs[], unsigned int nbufs, const struct sockaddr* addr)
```

Same as :c:func:'uv\_udp\_send', but won't queue a send request if it can't be completed immediately.

For connected UDP handles, 'addr' must be set to 'NULL', otherwise it will return 'UV\_EISCONN' error.

For connectionless UDP handles, 'addr' cannot be 'NULL', otherwise it will return 'UV\_EDESTADDRREQ' error.

:returns: >= 0: number of bytes sent (it matches the given buffer size).  
< 0: negative error code ('UV\_EAGAIN' is returned when the message can't be sent immediately).

.. versionchanged:: 1.27.0 added support for connected sockets

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_recv_start(uv_udp_t* handle, uv_alloc_cb alloc_cb, uv_udp_recv_cb recv_cb)
```

Prepare for receiving data. If the socket has not previously been bound with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_bind' it is bound to 0.0.0.0 (the "all interfaces" IPv4 address) and a random port number.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init'.

:param alloc\_cb: Callback to invoke when temporary storage is needed.

:param recv\_cb: Callback to invoke with received data.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

.. note::  
When using :man:'recvmsg(2)', the number of messages received at a time is limited by the number of max size dgrams that will fit into the buffer allocated in 'alloc\_cb', and 'suggested\_size' in 'alloc\_cb' for udp\_recv is always set to the size of 1 max size dgram.

.. versionchanged:: 1.35.0 added support for :man:'recvmsg(2)' on supported platforms).  
The use of this feature requires a buffer larger than 2 \* 64KB to be passed to 'alloc\_cb'.

.. versionchanged:: 1.37.0 :man:'recvmsg(2)' support is no longer enabled implicitly, it must be explicitly requested by passing the 'UV\_UDP\_RECVMSG' flag to :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init\_ex'.

.. versionchanged:: 1.39.0 :c:func:'uv\_udp using recvmsg' can be used in 'alloc\_cb' to determine if a buffer sized for use with :man:'recvmsg(2)' should be allocated for the current handle/platform.

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_using_recvmsg(uv_udp_t* handle)
```

Returns 1 if the UDP handle was created with the 'UV\_UDP\_RECVMSG' flag and the platform supports :man:'recvmsg(2)', 0 otherwise.

.. versionadded:: 1.39.0

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```
.. c:function:: int uv_udp_recv_stop(uv_udp_t* handle)
```

Stop listening for incoming datagrams.

:param handle: UDP handle. Should have been initialized with :c:func:'uv\_udp\_init'.

:returns: 0 on success, or an error code < 0 on failure.

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```
.. c:function:: size_t uv_udp_get_send_queue_size(const uv_udp_t* handle)
```

Returns 'handle->send\_queue\_size'.

.. versionadded:: 1.19.0

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.. c:function:: size\_t uv\_udp\_get\_send\_queue\_count(const uv\_udp\_t\* handle)

Returns `handle->send\_queue\_count`.

.. versionadded:: 1.19.0

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.. seealso:: The :c:type:`uv\_handle\_t` API functions also apply.