

NAME

uuid_parse – convert an input UUID string into binary representation

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <uuid.h>
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int uuid_parse(char *in, uuid_t uu);
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int uuid_parse_range(char *in_start, char *in_end, uuid_t uu);
```

DESCRIPTION

The **uuid_parse()** function converts the UUID string given by *in* into the binary representation. The input UUID is a string of the form 1b4e28ba–2fa1–11d2–883f–b9a761bde3fb (in **printf(3)** format "%08x-%04x-%04x-%04x-%012x", 36 bytes plus the trailing '\0').

The **uuid_parse_range()** function works like **uuid_parse()** but parses only range in string specified by *in_start* and *in_end* pointers.

RETURN VALUE

Upon successfully parsing the input string, 0 is returned, and the UUID is stored in the location pointed to by *uu*, otherwise –1 is returned.

CONFORMING TO

This library parses UUIDs compatible with OSF DCE 1.1, and hash based UUIDs V3 and V5 compatible with [RFC–4122](https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc4122) <<https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc4122>>.

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SEE ALSO

uuid(3), **uuid_clear(3)**, **uuid_compare(3)**, **uuid_copy(3)**, **uuid_generate(3)**, **uuid_is_null(3)**, **uuid_time(3)**, **uuid_unparse(3)**

REPORTING BUGS

For bug reports, use the issue tracker at <https://github.com/util-linux/util-linux/issues>.

AVAILABILITY

The **libuuid** library is part of the util-linux package since version 2.15.1. It can be downloaded from [Linux Kernel Archive](https://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/utils/util-linux/) <<https://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/utils/util-linux/>>.