# Fontconfig Developers Reference, Version 2.4.2

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### 1. DESCRIPTION

Fontconfig is a library designed to provide system-wide font configuration, customization and application access.

### 2. FUNCTIONAL OVERVIEW

Fontconfig contains two essential modules, the configuration module which builds an internal configuration from XML files and the matching module which accepts font patterns and returns the nearest matching font.

#### 2.1. FONT CONFIGURATION

The configuration module consists of the FcConfig datatype, libexpat and FcConfigParse which walks over an XML tree and ammends a configuration with data found within. From an external perspective, configuration of the library consists of generating a valid XML tree and feeding that to FcConfigParse. The only other mechanism provided to applications for changing the running configuration is to add fonts and directories to the list of application-provided font files.

The intent is to make font configurations relatively static, and shared by as many applications as possible. It is hoped that this will lead to more stable font selection when passing names from one application to another. XML was chosen as a configuration file format because it provides a format which is easy for external agents to edit while retaining the correct structure and syntax.

Font configuration is separate from font matching; applications needing to do their own matching can access the available fonts from the library and perform private matching. The intent is to permit applications to pick and choose appropriate functionality from the library instead of forcing them to choose between this library and a private configuration mechanism. The hope is that this will ensure that configuration of fonts for all applications can be centralized in one place. Centralizing font configuration will simplify and regularize font installation and customization.

### 2.2. FONT PROPERTIES

While font patterns may contain essentially any properties, there are some well known properties with associated types. Fontconfig uses some of these properties for font matching and font completion. Others are provided as a convenience for the applications rendering mechanism.

Property Definitions

Property	CPP Symbol	Туре	Description
family	FC_FAMILY	String	Font family names
familylang	FC_FAMILYLANG	String	Language cooresponding to each family name
style	FC_STYLE	String	Font style. Overrides weight and slant
stylelang	FC_STYLELANG	String	Language cooresponding to each style name
fullname	FC_FULLNAME	String	Font face full name where different from family and family + style
fullnamelang	FC_FULLNAMELANG	String	Language cooresponding to each fullname
slant	FC_SLANT	Int	Italic, oblique or roman
weight	FC_WEIGHT	Int	Light, medium, demibold, bold or black
size	FC_SIZE	Double	Point size
width	FC_WIDTH	Int	Condensed, normal or expanded
aspect	FC_ASPECT	Double	Stretches glyphs horizontally before hinting
pixelsize	FC_PIXEL_SIZE	Double	Pixel size
spacing	FC_SPACING	Int	Proportional, dual-width, monospace or charcell
foundry	FC_FOUNDRY	String	Font foundry name
antialias	FC_ANTIALIAS	Bool	Whether glyphs can be antialiased
hinting	FC_HINTING	Bool	Whether the rasterizer should use hinting
hintstyle	FC_HINT_STYLE	Int	Automatic hinting style
verticallayout	FC_VERTICAL_LAYOUT	Bool	Use vertical layout
autohint	FC_AUTOHINT	Bool	Use autohinter instead of normal hinter
globaladvance	FC_GLOBAL_ADVANCE	Bool	Use font global advance data
file	FC_FILE	String	The filename holding the font
index	FC_INDEX	Int	The index of the font within the file
ftface	FC_FT_FACE	FT_Face	Use the specified FreeType face object
rasterizer	FC_RASTERIZER	String	Which rasterizer is in use
outline	FC_OUTLINE	Bool	Whether the glyphs are outlines
scalable	FC_SCALABLE	Bool	Whether glyphs can be scaled
scale	FC_SCALE	Double	Scale factor for point->pixel conversions

dpi	FC_DPI	Double	Target dots per inch
rgba	FC_RGBA	Int	unknown, rgb, bgr, vrgb,
			vbgr, none - subpixel geometry
minspace	FC_MINSPACE	Bool	Eliminate leading from line
			spacing
charset	FC_CHARSET	CharSet	Unicode chars encoded by
			the font
lang	FC_LANG	String	List of RFC-3066-style
			languages this font supports
fontversion	FC_FONTVERSION	Int	Version number of the font
capability	FC_CAPABILITY	String	List of layout capabilities in
			the font
embolden	FC_EMBOLDEN	Bool	Rasterizer should
			synthetically embolden the font

# 3. Datatypes

Fontconfig uses abstract datatypes to hide internal implementation details for most data structures. A few structures are exposed where appropriate.

# 3.1. FcChar8, FcChar16, FcChar32, FcBool

These are primitive datatypes; the FcChar\* types hold precisely the number of bits stated (if supported by the C implementation). FcBool holds one of two CPP symbols: FcFalse or FcTrue.

#### 3.2. FcMatrix

An FcMatrix holds an affine transformation, usually used to reshape glyphs. A small set of matrix operations are provided to manipulate these.

```
typedef struct _FcMatrix {
         double xx, xy, yx, yy;
} FcMatrix;
```

### 3.3. FcCharSet

An FcCharSet is an abstract type that holds the set of encoded unicode chars in a font. Operations to build and compare these sets are provided.

# **3.4. FcType**

Tags the kind of data stored in an FcValue.

### 3.5. FcValue

An FcValue object holds a single value with one of a number of different types. The 'type' tag indicates which member is valid.

```
typedef struct _FcValue {
    FcType type;
    union {
        const FcChar8 *s;
        int i;
        FcBool b;
        double d;
        const FcMatrix *m;
        const FcCharSet *c;
    } u;
} FcValue;
```

FcValue Members

Union member	Datatype
	_
(none)	(none)
i	int
d	double
S	char *
b	b
m	FcMatrix *
C	FcCharSet *
	(none) i d s b m

#### 3.6. FcPattern

holds a set of names with associated value lists; each name refers to a property of a font. FcPatterns are used as inputs to the matching code as well as holding information about specific fonts. Each property can hold one or more values; conventionally all of the same type, although the interface doesn't demand that.

#### 3.7. FcFontSet

```
typedef struct _FcFontSet {
    int nfont;
    int sfont;
    FcPattern **fonts;
} FcFontSet;
```

An FcFontSet contains a list of FcPatterns. Internally fontconfig uses this data structure to hold sets of fonts. Externally, fontconfig returns the results of listing fonts in this format. 'nfont' holds the number of patterns in the 'fonts' array; 'sfont' is used to indicate the size of that array.

### 3.8. FcStrSet, FcStrList

FcStrSet holds a list of strings that can be appended to and enumerated. Its unique characteristic is that the enumeration works even while strings are appended during enumeration. FcStrList is used during enumeration to safely and correctly walk the list of strings even while that list is edited in the middle of enumeration.

### 3.9. FcObjectSet

```
typedef struct _FcObjectSet {
    int nobject;
    int sobject;
    const char **objects;
} FcObjectSet;
```

holds a set of names and is used to specify which fields from fonts are placed in the the list of returned patterns when listing fonts.

## 3.10. FcObjectType

```
typedef struct _FcObjectType {
          const char *object;
          FcType type;
} FcObjectType;
```

marks the type of a pattern element generated when parsing font names. Applications can add new object types so that font names may contain the new elements.

#### 3.11. FcConstant

```
typedef struct _FcConstant {
    const FcChar8 *name;
    const char *object;
    int value;
} FcConstant;
```

Provides for symbolic constants for new pattern elements. When 'name' is seen in a font name, an 'object' element is created with value 'value'.

#### 3.12. FcBlanks

holds a list of Unicode chars which are expected to be blank; unexpectedly blank chars are assumed to be invalid and are elided from the charset associated with the font.

#### 3.13. FcFileCache

holds the per-user cache information for use while loading the font database. This is built automatically for the current configuration when that is loaded. Applications must always pass '0' when one is requested.

## 3.14. FcConfig

holds a complete configuration of the library; there is one default configuration, other can be constructed from XML data structures. All public entry points that need global data can take an optional FcConfig\* argument; passing 0 uses the default configuration. FcConfig objects hold two sets of fonts, the first

contains those specified by the configuration, the second set holds those added by the application at run-time. Interfaces that need to reference a particulat set use one of the FcSetName enumerated values.

#### 3.15. FcSetName

Specifies one of the two sets of fonts available in a configuration; FcSetSystem for those fonts specified in the configuration and FcSetApplication which holds fonts provided by the application.

#### 3.16. FcResult

Used as a return type for functions manipulating FcPattern objects.

FcResult Values	
Result Code	Meaning
FcResultMatch	Object exists with the specified ID
FcResultNoMatch	Object doesn't exist at all
FcResultTypeMismatch	Object exists, but the type doesn't match
FcResultNoId	Object exists, but has fewer values
	than specified
FcResultOutOfMemory	Malloc failed

#### 3.17. FcAtomic

Used for locking access to config files. Provides a safe way to update configuration files.

# 4. FUNCTIONS

These are grouped by functionality, often using the main datatype being manipulated.

#### 4.1. Initialization

These functions provide some control over how the library is initialized.

# **FcInitLoadConfig**

#### **Name**

FcInitLoadConfig — load configuration

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcConfig * FcInitLoadConfig(void);
```

# **Description**

Loads the default configuration file and returns the resulting configuration. Does not load any font information.

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# FcInitLoadConfigAndFonts

### Name

 ${\tt FcInitLoadConfigAndFonts} \color{red} \color{blue} - {\tt load\ configuration\ and\ font\ data}$ 

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcConfig * FcInitLoadConfigAndFonts(void);
```

Loads the default configuration file and builds information about the available fonts. Returns the resulting configuration.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcInit**

#### **Name**

FcInit — initialize fontconfig library

# **Synopsis**

#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcInit(void);

# **Description**

Loads the default configuration file and the fonts referenced therein and sets the default configuration to that result. Returns whether this process succeeded or not. If the default configuration has already been loaded, this routine does nothing and returns FcTrue.

#### **Version**

## **FcFini**

#### **Name**

FcFini — finalize fonconfig library

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcFini(void);
```

# **Description**

Frees all data structures allocated by previous calls to fontconfig functions. Fontconfig returns to an uninitialized state, requiring a new call to one of the FcInit functions before any other fontconfig function may be called.

### **Version**

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# **FcGetVersion**

#### **Name**

FcGetVersion — library version number

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
int FcGetVersion(void);
```

Returns the version number of the library.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcInitReinitialize**

#### Name

FcInitReinitialize — re-initialize library

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcInitReinitialize(void);
```

# **Description**

Forces the default configuration file to be reloaded and resets the default configuration.

### **Version**

# **FcInitBringUptoDate**

#### **Name**

FcInitBringUptoDate — reload configuration files if needed

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcInitBringUptoDate(void);
```

### **Description**

Checks the rescan interval in the default configuration, checking the configuration if the interval has passed and reloading the configuration if when any changes are detected.

### **Version**

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# 4.2. FcPattern

An FcPattern is an opaque type that holds both patterns to match against the available fonts, as well as the information about each font.

## **FcPatternCreate**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcPatternCreate} - {\tt Create} \; a \; {\tt pattern} \\$ 

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcPattern * FcPatternCreate(void);
```

# **Description**

Creates a pattern with no properties; used to build patterns from scratch.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcPatternDestroy**

### Name

FcPatternDestroy — Destroy a pattern

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcPatternDestroy(FcPattern *p);
```

## **Description**

Destroys a pattern, in the process destroying all related values.

## Version

# **FcPatternEqual**

#### **Name**

FcPatternEqual — Compare patterns

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternEqual(const FcPattern *pa, const FcPattern *pb);
```

# **Description**

Returns whether pa and pb are exactly alike.

### Version

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# **FcPatternEqualSubset**

#### Name

FcPatternEqualSubset — Compare portions of patterns

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternEqualSubset(const FcPattern *pa, const FcPattern *pb, const
FcObjectSet *os);
```

Returns whether pa and pb have exactly the same values for all of the objects in os.

### **Version**

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# **FcPatternHash**

#### Name

FcPatternHash — Compute a pattern hash value

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar32 FcPatternHash(const FcPattern *p);
```

# **Description**

Returns a 32-bit number which is the same for any two patterns which are equal.

### **Version**

### **FcPatternAdd**

#### **Name**

FcPatternAdd — Add a value to a pattern

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternAdd(FcPattern *p, const char *object, FcValue value, FcBool
append);
```

## **Description**

Adds a single value to the list of values associated with the property named 'object. If 'append is FcTrue, the value is added at the end of any existing list, otherwise it is inserted at the begining. 'value' is saved (with FcValueSave) when inserted into the pattern so that the library retains no reference to any application-supplied data structure.

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### **FcPatternAddWeak**

#### **Name**

FcPatternAddWeak — Add a value to a pattern with weak binding

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternAddWeak(FcPattern *p, const char *object, FcValue value,
FcBool append);
```

FcPatternAddWeak is essentially the same as FcPatternAdd except that any values added to the list have binding weak instead of strong.

#### Version

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# FcPatternAdd-Type

#### **Name**

FcPatternAddInteger, FcPatternAddDouble, FcPatternAddString, FcPatternAddMatrix, FcPatternAddCharSet, FcPatternAddBool — Add a typed value to a pattern

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternAddInteger(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int i);
FcBool FcPatternAddDouble(FcPattern *p, const char *object, double d);
FcBool FcPatternAddString(FcPattern *p, const char *object, const char *s);
FcBool FcPatternAddMatrix(FcPattern *p, const char *object, const FcMatrix *m);
FcBool FcPatternAddCharSet(FcPattern *p, const char *object, const FcCharSet *c);
FcBool FcPatternAddBool(FcPattern *p, const char *object, FcBool b);
```

### **Description**

These are all convenience functions that insert objects of the specified type into the pattern. Use these in preference to FcPatternAdd as they will provide compile-time typechecking. These all append values to any existing list of values.

#### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

### **FcPatternGet**

#### Name

FcPatternGet — Return a value from a pattern

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcResult FcPatternGet(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int id, FcValue *v);
```

# **Description**

Returns in v the id'th value associated with the property object. The value returned is not a copy, but rather refers to the data stored within the pattern directly. Applications must not free this value.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# FcPatternGet-Type

#### Name

FcPatternGetInteger, FcPatternGetDouble, FcPatternGetString, FcPatternGetMatrix, FcPatternGetCharSet, FcPatternGetBool — Return a typed value from a pattern

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcResult FcPatternGetInteger(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int n, int
*i);
FcResult FcPatternGetDouble(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int n, double
*d);
FcResult FcPatternGetString(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int n, char
**consts);
FcResult FcPatternGetMatrix(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int n, FcMatrix
**s);
FcResult FcPatternGetCharSet(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int n,
FcCharSet **c);
FcResult FcPatternGetBool(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int n, FcBool
*b);
```

## **Description**

These are convenience functions that call FcPatternGet and verify that the returned data is of the expected type. They return FcResultTypeMismatch if this is not the case. Note that these (like FcPatternGet) do not make a copy of any data structure referenced by the return value. Use these in preference to FcPatternGet to provide compile-time typechecking.

#### Version

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### **FcPatternBuild**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcPatternBuild, FcPatternVaBuild-Create\ patterns\ from\ arguments}$ 

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcPattern * FcPatternBuild(FcPattern *orig, ...);
FcPattern * FcPatternVaBuild(FcPattern *orig, va_list va);
```

Builds a pattern using a list of objects, types and values. Each value to be entered in the pattern is specified with three arguments:

- 1. Object name, a string describing the property to be added.
- 2. Object type, one of the FcType enumerated values
- 3. Value, not an FcValue, but the raw type as passed to any of the FcPatternAdd<type> functions. Must match the type of the second argument.

The argument list is terminated by a null object name, no object type nor value need be passed for this. The values are added to 'pattern', if 'pattern' is null, a new pattern is created. In either case, the pattern is returned. Example

```
pattern = FcPatternBuild (0, FC_FAMILY, FcTypeString, "Times", (char *) 0);
```

FcPatternVaBuild is used when the arguments are already in the form of a varargs value.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcPatternDel**

#### Name

FcPatternDel — Delete a property from a pattern

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternDel(FcPattern *p, const char *object);
```

Deletes all values associated with the property 'object', returning whether the property existed or not.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcPatternRemove**

#### Name

FcPatternRemove — Remove one object of the specified type from the pattern

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcPatternRemove(FcPattern *p, const char *object, int id);
```

# **Description**

Removes the value associated with the property 'object' at position 'id', returning whether the property existed and had a value at that position or not.

### Version

## **FcPatternPrint**

#### **Name**

FcPatternPrint — Print a pattern for debugging

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcPatternPrint(const FcPattern *p);
```

## **Description**

Prints an easily readable version of the pattern to stdout. There is no provision for reparsing data in this format, it's just for diagnostics and debugging.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcDefaultSubstitute**

#### Name

FcDefaultSubstitute — Perform default substitutions in a pattern

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcDefaultSubstitute(FcPattern *pattern);
```

Supplies default values for underspecified font patterns:

- Patterns without a specified style or weight are set to Medium
- Patterns without a specified style or slant are set to Roman
- Patterns without a specified pixel size are given one computed from any specified point size (default 12), dpi (default 75) and scale (default 1).

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcNameParse**

#### **Name**

FcNameParse — Parse a pattern string

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcPattern * FcNameParse(const char *name);
```

## **Description**

Converts name from the standard text format described above into a pattern.

### **Version**

# **FcNameUnparse**

#### **Name**

FcNameUnparse — Convert a pattern back into a string that can be parsed

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcNameUnparse(FcPattern *pat);
```

## **Description**

Converts the given pattern into the standard text format described above. The return value is not static, but instead refers to newly allocated memory which should be freed by the caller.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

### 4.3. FcFontSet

An FcFontSet simply holds a list of patterns; these are used to return the results of listing available fonts.

# **FcFontSetCreate**

#### Name

FcFontSetCreate — Create a font set

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcFontSet * FcFontSetCreate(void);
```

Creates an empty font set.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcFontSetDestroy**

#### Name

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcFontSetDestroy(FcFontSet *s);
```

# **Description**

Destroys a font set. Note that this destroys any referenced patterns as well.

### **Version**

### **FcFontSetAdd**

#### **Name**

FcFontSetAdd — Add to a font set

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcFontSetAdd(FcFontSet *s, FcPattern *font);
```

### **Description**

Adds a pattern to a font set. Note that the pattern is not copied before being inserted into the set.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# 4.4. FcObjectSet

An FcObjectSet holds a list of pattern property names; it is used to indiciate which properties are to be returned in the patterns from FcFontList.

# **FcObjectSetCreate**

#### Name

FcObjectSetCreate — Create an object set

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcObjectSet * FcObjectSetCreate(void);
```

Creates an empty set.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcObjectSetAdd**

### Name

FcObjectSetAdd — Add to an object set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcObjectSetAdd(FcObjectSet *os, const char *object);
```

# **Description**

Adds a proprety name to the set.

### **Version**

# **FcObjectSetDestroy**

### Name

FcObjectSetDestroy — Destroy an object set

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcObjectSetDestroy(FcObjectSet *os);
```

## **Description**

Destroys an object set.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcObjectSetBuild**

#### Name

FcObjectSetBuild, FcObjectSetVaBuild — Build object set from args

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcObjectSet * FcObjectSetBuild(const char *first, ...);
FcObjectSet * FcObjectSetVaBuild(const char *first, va_list va);
```

These build an object set from a null-terminated list of property names.

### Version

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## 4.5. FreeType specific functions

While the fontconfig library doesn't insist that FreeType be used as the rasterization mechanism for fonts, it does provide some convenience functions.

# **FcFreeTypeCharIndex**

#### **Name**

FcFreeTypeCharIndex — map Unicode to glyph id

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
#include <fcfreetype.h>
FT_UInt FcFreeTypeCharIndex(FT_Face face, FcChar32 ucs4);
```

## **Description**

Maps a Unicode char to a glyph index. This function uses information from several possible underlying encoding tables to work around broken fonts. As a result, this function isn't designed to be used in performance sensitive areas; results from this function are intended to be cached by higher level functions.

### **Version**

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# **FcFreeTypeCharSet**

#### Name

FcFreeTypeCharSet — compute unicode coverage

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
#include <fcfreetype.h>
FcCharSet * FcFreeTypeCharSet(FT_Face face, FcBlanks *blanks);
```

## **Description**

Scans a FreeType face and returns the set of encoded Unicode chars. This scans several encoding tables to build as complete a list as possible. If 'blanks' is not 0, the glyphs in the font are examined and any blank glyphs not in 'blanks' are not placed in the returned FcCharSet.

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# **FcFreeTypeQuery**

#### **Name**

FcFreeTypeQuery — compute pattern from font file (and index)

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
#include <fcfreetype.h>
FcPattern * FcFreeTypeQuery(const char *file, int id, FcBlanks *blanks, int *count);
```

# **Description**

Constructs a pattern representing the 'id'th font in 'file'. The number of fonts in 'file' is returned in 'count'.

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# **FcFreeTypeQueryFace**

#### Name

FcFreeTypeQueryFace — compute pattern from FT\_Face

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
#include <fcfreetype.h>
FcPattern * FcFreeTypeQueryFace(const FT_Face face, const char *file, int id,
FcBlanks *blanks);
```

# **Description**

Constructs a pattern representing 'face'. 'file' and 'id' are used solely as data for pattern elements (FC\_FILE, FC\_INDEX and sometimes FC\_FAMILY).

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#### 4.6. FcValue

FcValue is a structure containing a type tag and a union of all possible datatypes. The tag is an enum of type *FcType* and is intended to provide a measure of run-time typechecking, although that depends on careful programming.

# **FcValueDestroy**

#### Name

FcValueDestroy — Free a value

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcValueDestroy(FcValue v);
```

## **Description**

Frees any memory referenced by v. Values of type FcTypeString, FcTypeMatrix and FcTypeCharSet reference memory, the other types do not.

#### **Version**

### **FcValueSave**

#### **Name**

FcValueSave — Copy a value

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcValue FcValueSave(FcValue v);
```

### **Description**

Returns a copy of v duplicating any object referenced by it so that v may be safely destroyed without harming the new value.

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### 4.7. FcCharSet

An FcCharSet is a boolean array indicating a set of unicode chars. Those associated with a font are marked constant and cannot be edited. FcCharSets may be reference counted internally to reduce memory consumption; this may be visible to applications as the result of FcCharSetCopy may return it's argument, and that CharSet may remain unmodifiable.

# **FcCharSetCreate**

#### **Name**

FcCharSetCreate — Create an empty character set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcCharSet * FcCharSetCreate(void);
```

# **Description**

FcCharSetCreate allocates and initializes a new empty character set object.

### Version

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# **FcCharSetDestroy**

### Name

FcCharSetDestroy — Destroy a character set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcCharSetDestroy(FcCharSet *fcs);
```

## **Description**

FcCharSetDestroy decrements the reference count fcs. If the reference count becomes zero, all memory referenced is freed.

### Version

## **FcCharSetAddChar**

#### Name

FcCharSetAddChar — Add a character to a charset

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcCharSetAddChar(FcCharSet *fcs, FcChar32 ucs4);
```

## **Description**

FcCharSetAddChar adds a single unicode char to the set, returning FcFalse on failure, either as a result of a constant set or from running out of memory.

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# **FcCharSetCopy**

### Name

FcCharSetCopy — Copy a charset

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcCharSet * FcCharSetCopy(FcCharSet *src);
```

Makes a copy of src; note that this may not actually do anything more than increment the reference count on src.

### **Version**

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# **FcCharSetEqual**

#### Name

FcCharSetEqual — Compare two charsets

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcCharSetEqual(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

# **Description**

Returns whether a and b contain the same set of unicode chars.

### **Version**

## **FcCharSetIntersect**

### Name

FcCharSetIntersect — Intersect charsets

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcCharSet * FcCharSetIntersect(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

# **Description**

Returns a set including only those chars found in both a and b.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcCharSetUnion**

#### Name

FcCharSetUnion — Add charsets

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcCharSet * FcCharSetUnion(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

Returns a set including only those chars found in either a or b.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcCharSetSubtract**

#### Name

FcCharSetSubtract — Subtract charsets

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcCharSet * FcCharSetSubtract(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

# **Description**

Returns a set including only those chars found in a but not b.

### **Version**

# **FcCharSetHasChar**

### Name

FcCharSetHasChar — Check a charset for a char

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcCharSetHasChar(const FcCharSet *fcs, FcChar32 ucs4);
```

# **Description**

Returns whether fcs contains the char ucs4.

# Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcCharSetCount**

#### Name

FcCharSetCount — Count entries in a charset

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar32 FcCharSetCount(const FcCharSet *a);
```

Returns the total number of unicode chars in a.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcCharSetIntersectCount**

#### Name

FcCharSetIntersectCount — Intersect and count charsets

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar32 FcCharSetIntersectCount(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

# **Description**

Returns the number of chars that are in both a and b.

### **Version**

## **FcCharSetSubtractCount**

### Name

FcCharSetSubtractCount — Subtract and count charsets

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar32 FcCharSetSubtractCount(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

# **Description**

Returns the number of chars that are in a but not in b.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcCharSetIsSubset**

#### Name

FcCharSetIsSubset — Test for charset inclusion

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcCharSetIsSubset(const FcCharSet *a, const FcCharSet *b);
```

Returns whether a is a subset of b.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcCharSetFirstPage**

#### Name

FcCharSetFirstPage — Start enumerating charset contents

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar32 FcCharSetFirstPage(const FcCharSet *a, FcChar32[FC_CHARSET_MAP_SIZE]
map, FcChar32 *next);
```

# **Description**

Builds an array of bits marking the first page of Unicode coverage of a. Returns the base of the array. next contains the next page in the font.

### Version

# **FcCharSetNextPage**

#### **Name**

FcCharSetNextPage — Continue enumerating charset contents

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar32 FcCharSetNextPage(const FcCharSet *a, FcChar32[FC_CHARSET_MAP_SIZE]
map, FcChar32 *next);
```

## **Description**

Builds an array of bits marking the Unicode coverage of a for page \*next. Returns the base of the array. next contains the next page in the font.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

#### 4.8. FcMatrix

FcMatrix structures hold an affine transformation in matrix form.

# **FcMatrixInit**

#### **Name**

FcMatrixInit — initialize an FcMatrix structure

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixInit(FcMatrix *matrix);
```

# **Description**

FcMatrixInit initializes matrix to the identity matrix.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcMatrixCopy**

### Name

FcMatrixCopy — Copy a matrix

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixCopy(const FcMatrix *matrix);
```

## **Description**

FcMatrixCopy allocates a new FcMatrix and copies mat into it.

### Version

# **FcMatrixEqual**

#### **Name**

FcMatrixEqual — Compare two matrices

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixEqual(const FcMatrix *matrix1, const FcMatrix *matrix2);
```

## **Description**

FcMatrixEqual compares matrix1 and matrix2 returning FcTrue when they are equal and FcFalse when they are not.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcMatrixMultiply**

### Name

FcMatrixMultiply — Multiply matrices

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixMultiply(FcMatrix *result, const FcMatrix *matrix1, const
FcMatrix *matrix2);
```

FcMatrixMultiply multiplies matrix1 and matrix2 storing the result in result.

## **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcMatrixRotate**

#### Name

FcMatrixRotate — Rotate a matrix

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixRotate(FcMatrix *matrix, double cos, double sin);
```

# **Description**

FcMatrixRotate rotates matrix by the angle who's sine is sin and cosine is cos. This is done by multiplying by the matrix:

```
cos -sin
sin cos
```

## Version

## **FcMatrixScale**

### Name

FcMatrixScale — Scale a matrix

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixScale(FcMatrix *matrix, double sx, double dy);
```

# **Description**

FcMatrixScale multiplies matrix x values by sx and y values by sy. This is done by multiplying by the matrix:

```
sx 0
0 sy
```

## Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcMatrixShear**

#### Name

FcMatrixShear — Shear a matrix

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcMatrixShear(FcMatrix *matrix, double sh, double sv);
```

FcMatrixShare shears matrix horizontally by sh and vertically by sv. This is done by multiplying by the matrix:

```
1 sh
sv 1
```

## **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# 4.9. FcConfig

An FcConfig object holds the internal representation of a configuration. There is a default configuration which applications may use by passing 0 to any function using the data within an FcConfig.

# **FcConfigCreate**

#### Name

FcConfigCreate — Create a configuration

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcConfig * FcConfigCreate(void);
```

# **Description**

Creates an empty configuration.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigDestroy**

#### **Name**

FcConfigDestroy — Destroy a configuration

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcConfigDestroy(FcConfig *config);
```

## **Description**

Destroys a configuration and any data associated with it. Note that calling this function with the return from FcConfigGetCurrent will place the library in an indeterminate state.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigSetCurrent**

#### Name

FcConfigSetCurrent — Set configuration as default

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigSetCurrent(FcConfig *config);
```

## **Description**

Sets the current default configuration to config. Implicitly calls FcConfigBuildFonts if necessary, returning FcFalse if that call fails.

#### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigGetCurrent**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcConfigGetCurrent} \ -- \ Return \ current \ configuration$ 

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcConfig * FcConfigGetCurrent(void);
```

## **Description**

Returns the current default configuration.

### **Version**

# **FcConfigUptoDate**

#### Name

FcConfigUptoDate — Check timestamps on config files

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigUptoDate(FcConfig *config);
```

## **Description**

Checks all of the files related to config and returns whether the in-memory version is in sync with the disk version.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigBuildFonts**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcConfigBuildFonts} \begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{--Build font database} \\ \end{tabular}$ 

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigBuildFonts(FcConfig *config);
```

Builds the set of available fonts for the given configuration. Note that any changes to the configuration after this call have indeterminate effects. Returns FcFalse if this operation runs out of memory.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigGetConfigDirs**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcConfigGetConfigDirs} \color{red} - {\tt Get\ config\ directories}$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcStrList * FcConfigGetConfigDirs(FcConfig *config);
```

## **Description**

Returns the list of font directories specified in the configuration files for config. Does not include any subdirectories.

### **Version**

# **FcConfigGetFontDirs**

#### **Name**

FcConfigGetFontDirs — Get font directories

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcStrList * FcConfigGetFontDirs(FcConfig *config);
```

## **Description**

Returns the list of font directories in config. This includes the configured font directories along with any directories below those in the filesystem.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigGetConfigFiles**

### Name

FcConfigGetConfigFiles — Get config files

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcStrList * FcConfigGetConfigFiles(FcConfig *config);
```

Returns the list of known configuration files used to generate config. Note that this will not include any configuration done with FcConfigParse.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigGetCache**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcConfigGetCache} \ -- \ {\tt Get\ cache\ filename}$ 

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
char * FcConfigGetCache(FcConfig *config);
```

# **Description**

Returns the name of the file used to store per-user font information.

### Version

# **FcConfigGetFonts**

#### **Name**

FcConfigGetFonts — Get config font set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcFontSet * FcConfigGetFonts(FcConfig *config, FcSetName set);
```

## **Description**

Returns one of the two sets of fonts from the configuration as specified by set.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigGetBlanks**

#### Name

FcConfigGetBlanks — Get config blanks

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBlanks * FcConfigGetBlanks(FcConfig *config);
```

Returns the FcBlanks object associated with the given configuration, if no blanks were present in the configuration, this function will return 0.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigGetRescanInverval**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcConfigGetRescanInverval} - {\tt Get\ config\ rescan\ interval}$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
int FcConfigGetRescanInverval(FcConfig *config);
```

## **Description**

Returns the interval between automatic checks of the configuration (in seconds) specified in <code>config</code>. The configuration is checked during a call to FcFontList when this interval has passed since the last check.

### **Version**

# **FcConfigSetRescanInverval**

### Name

 ${\tt FcConfigSetRescanInverval} - {\tt Set\ config\ rescan\ interval}$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigSetRescanInverval(FcConfig *config, int rescanInterval);
```

## **Description**

Sets the rescan interval; returns FcFalse if an error occurred.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigAppFontAddFile**

#### Name

FcConfigAppFontAddFile — Add font file to font database

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigAppFontAddFile(FcConfig *config, const char *file);
```

Adds an application-specific font to the configuration.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigAppFontAddDir**

#### Name

FcConfigAppFontAddDir — Add fonts from directory to font database

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigAppFontAddDir(FcConfig *config, const char *);
```

# **Description**

Scans the specified directory for fonts, adding each one found to the application-specific set of fonts.

#### **Version**

# **FcConfigAppFontClear**

#### **Name**

FcConfigAppFontClear — Remove all app fonts from font database

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcConfigAppFontClear(FcConfig *config);
```

# **Description**

Clears the set of application-specific fonts.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigSubstituteWithPat**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcConfigSubstituteWithPat--Execute\ substitutions}$ 

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigSubstituteWithPat(FcConfig *config, FcPattern *p_pat, FcMatchKind kind);
```

Performs the sequence of pattern modification operations, if kind is FcMatchPattern, then those tagged as pattern operations are applied, else if kind is FcMatchFont, those tagged as font operations are applied and p\_pat is used for  $\langle test \rangle$  elements with target=pattern.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigSubstitute**

#### Name

FcConfigSubstitute — Execute substitutions

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigSubstitute(FcConfig *config, FcPattern *p, FcMatchKind kind);
```

# **Description**

Calls FcConfigSubstituteWithPat setting p\_pat to NULL.

### **Version**

## **FcFontMatch**

#### **Name**

FcFontMatch — Return best font

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcPattern * FcFontMatch(FcConfig *config, FcPattern *p, FcResult *result);
```

## **Description**

Returns the font in *config* most close matching *p*. This function should be called only after FcConfigSubstitute and FcDefaultSubstitute have been called for *p*; otherwise the results will not be correct.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcFontSort**

#### Name

FcFontSort — Return list of matching fonts

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcFontSet * FcFontSort(FcConfig *config, FcPattern *p, FcBool trim, FcCharSet
**csp, FcResult *result);
```

Returns the list of fonts sorted by closeness to p. If trim is FcTrue, elements in the list which don't include Unicode coverage not provided by earlier elements in the list are elided. The union of Unicode coverage of all of the fonts is returned in csp, if csp is not NULL. This function should be called only after FcConfigSubstitute and FcDefaultSubstitute have been called for p; otherwise the results will not be correct.

The returned FcFontSet references FcPattern structures which may be shared by the return value from multiple FcFontSort calls, applications must not modify these patterns. Instead, they should be passed, along with p to FcFontRenderPrepare which combines them into a complete pattern.

The FcFontSet returned by FcFontSort is destroyed by caling FcFontSetDestroy.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcFontRenderPrepare**

#### **Name**

FcFontRenderPrepare — Prepare pattern for loading font file

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcPattern * FcFontRenderPrepare(FcConfig *config, FcPattern *pat, FcPattern *font);
```

# **Description**

Creates a new pattern consisting of elements of font not appearing in pat, elements of pat not appearing in font and the best matching value from pat for elements appearing in both. The result is passed to FcConfigSubstitute with kind FcMatchFont and then returned.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcFontList**

#### Name

FcFontList — List fonts

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcFontSet * FcFontList(FcConfig *config, FcPattern *p, FcObjectSet *os);
```

# **Description**

Selects fonts matching p, creates patterns from those fonts containing only the objects in os and returns the set of unique such patterns.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigFilename**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcConfigFilename} - {\tt Find} \ a \ config \ file$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
char * FcConfigFilename(const char *name);
```

### **Description**

Given the specified external entity name, return the associated filename. This provides applications a way to convert various configuration file references into filename form.

A null or empty name indicates that the default configuration file should be used; which file this references can be overridden with the FC\_CONFIG\_FILE environment variable. Next, if the name starts with  $\sim$ , it refers to a file in the current users home directory. Otherwise if the name doesn't start with '/', it refers to a file in the default configuration directory; the built-in default directory can be overridden with the FC\_CONFIG\_DIR environment variable.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcConfigParseAndLoad**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcConfigParseAndLoad} \color{red} - \textbf{load} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{configuration} \ \textbf{file}$ 

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcConfigParseAndLoad(FcConfig *config, const FcChar8 *file);
```

Walks the configuration in 'file' and constructs the internal representation in 'config'. Any include files referenced from within 'file' will be loaded with FcConfigLoad and also parsed. If 'complain' is FcFalse, no warning will be displayed if 'file' does not exist.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# 4.10. FcObjectType

Provides for application-specified font name object types so that new pattern elements can be generated from font names.

# **FcNameRegisterObjectTypes**

#### Name

FcNameRegisterObjectTypes — Register object types

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcNameRegisterObjectTypes(const FcObjectType *types, int ntype);
```

# **Description**

Register ntype new object types.

### **Version**

# **FcNameUnregisterObjectTypes**

#### Name

FcNameUnregisterObjectTypes — Unregister object types

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcNameUnregisterObjectTypes(const FcObjectType *types, int ntype);
```

## **Description**

Unregister ntype object types.

## Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcNameGetObjectType**

#### **Name**

FcNameGetObjectType — Lookup an object type

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
const FcObjectType * FcNameGetObjectType(const char *object);
```

Return the object type for the pattern element named object.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

### 4.11. FcConstant

Provides for application-specified symbolic constants for font names.

# **FcNameRegisterConstants**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcNameRegisterConstants} - {\tt Register\, symbolic\, constants}$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcNameRegisterConstants(const FcConstant *consts, int nconsts);
```

## **Description**

Register nconsts new symbolic constants.

### Version

# **FcNameUnregisterConstants**

### Name

FcNameUnregisterConstants — Unregister symbolic constants

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcNameUnregisterConstants(const FcConstant *consts, int nconsts);
```

# **Description**

Unregister nconsts symbolic constants.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcNameGetConstant**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcNameGetConstant--Lookup\ symbolic\ constant}$ 

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
const FcConstant * FcNameGetConstant(FcChar8 *string);
```

Return the FcConstant structure related to symbolic constant string.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcNameConstant**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcNameConstant} \begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{FcNameConstant} \end{tabular} \begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{Get the value for a symbolic constant} \end{tabular}$ 

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcNameConstant(FcChar8 *string, int *result);
```

# **Description**

Returns whether a symbolic constant with name *string* is registered, placing the value of the constant in *result* if present.

### Version

#### 4.12. FcBlanks

An FcBlanks object holds a list of Unicode chars which are expected to be blank when drawn. When scanning new fonts, any glyphs which are empty and not in this list will be assumed to be broken and not placed in the FcCharSet associated with the font. This provides a significantly more accurate CharSet for applications.

### **FcBlanksCreate**

#### Name

FcBlanksCreate — Create an FcBlanks

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBlanks * FcBlanksCreate(void);
```

## **Description**

Creates an empty FcBlanks object.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcBlanksDestroy**

### **Name**

FcBlanksDestroy — Destroy and FcBlanks

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcBlanksDestroy(FcBlanks *b);
```

## **Description**

Destroys an FcBlanks object, freeing any associated memory.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcBlanksAdd**

### Name

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcBlanksAdd(FcBlanks *b, FcChar32 ucs4);
```

## **Description**

Adds a single character to an FcBlanks object, returning FcFalse if this process ran out of memory.

## **Version**

## **FcBlanksIsMember**

#### **Name**

FcBlanksIsMember — Query membership in an FcBlanks

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcBlanksIsMember(FcBlanks *b, FcChar32 ucs4);
```

## **Description**

Returns whether the specified FcBlanks object contains the indicated Unicode value.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

### 4.13. FcAtomic

These functions provide a safe way to update config files, allowing ongoing reading of the old config file while locked for writing and ensuring that a consistent and complete version of the config file is always available.

## **FcAtomicCreate**

#### Name

 ${\tt FcAtomicCreate} -- create \ an \ FcAtomic \ object$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcAtomic * FcAtomicCreate(const FcChar8 *file);
```

## **Description**

Creates a data structure containing data needed to control access to file. Writing is done to a separate file. Once that file is complete, the original configuration file is atomically replaced so that reading process always see a consistent and complete file without the need to lock for reading.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcAtomicLock**

#### **Name**

FcAtomicLock — lock a file

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcAtomicLock(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

## **Description**

Attempts to lock the file referenced by <code>atomic</code>. Returns FcFalse if the file is locked by another process, else returns FcTrue and leaves the file locked.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcAtomicNewFile**

#### Name

FcAtomicNewFile — return new temporary file name

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcAtomicNewFile(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

# **Description**

Returns the filename for writing a new version of the file referenced by atomic.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcAtomicOrigFile**

### **Name**

FcAtomicOrigFile — return original file name

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcAtomicOrigFile(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

# **Description**

Returns the file refernced by atomic.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcAtomicReplaceOrig**

### Name

FcAtomicReplaceOrig — replace original with new

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcAtomicReplaceOrig(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

## **Description**

Replaces the original file referenced by atomic with the new file.

### **Version**

# **FcAtomicDeleteNew**

### Name

FcAtomicDeleteNew — delete new file

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcAtomicDeleteNew(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

# **Description**

Deletes the new file. Used in error recovery to back out changes.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcAtomicUnlock**

### Name

FcAtomicUnlock — unlock a file

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcAtomicUnlock(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

Unlocks the file.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcAtomicDestroy**

#### Name

FcAtomicDestroy — destroy an FcAtomic object

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcAtomicDestroy(FcAtomic *atomic);
```

# **Description**

 $Destroys \ \textit{atomic}.$ 

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# 4.14. File and Directory routines

These routines work with font files and directories, including font directory cache files.

# **FcFileScan**

#### **Name**

FcFileScan — scan a font file

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcFileScan(FcFontSet *set, FcStrSet *dirs, FcFileCache *cache,
FcBlanks *blanks, const char *file, FcBool force);
```

## **Description**

Scans a single file and adds all fonts found to set. If force is FcTrue, then the file is scanned even if associated information is found in cache. If file is a directory, it is added to dirs.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcDirScan**

#### Name

FcDirScan — scan a font directory

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcDirScan(FcFontSet *set, FcStrSet *dirs, FcFileCache *cache, FcBlanks
*blanks, const char *dir, FcBool force);
```

Scans an entire directory and adds all fonts found to set. If force is FcTrue, then the directory and all files within it are scanned even if information is present in the per-directory cache file or cache. Any subdirectories found are added to dirs.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcDirSave**

#### **Name**

FcDirSave — save a directory cache

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcDirSave(FcFontSet *set, FcStrSet *dirs, const char *dir);
```

## **Description**

Creates the per-directory cache file for dir and populates it with the fonts in set and subdirectories in dirs.

### Version

## **FcDirCacheValid**

#### **Name**

FcDirCacheValid — check directory cache timestamp

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcDirCacheValid(const FcChar8 *cache_file);
```

## **Description**

Returns FcTrue if cache\_file is no older than the directory containing it, else FcFalse.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

#### 4.15. FcStrSet and FcStrList

A data structure for enumerating strings, used to list directories while scanning the configuration as directories are added while scanning.

# **FcStrSetCreate**

### Name

FcStrSetCreate — create a string set

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcStrSet * FcStrSetCreate(void);
```

Create an empty set.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrSetMember**

### Name

 ${\tt FcStrSetMember---check\ set\ for\ membership}$ 

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcStrSetMember(FcStrSet *set, const FcChar8 *s);
```

# **Description**

Returns whether s is a member of set.

### Version

### **FcStrSetAdd**

### Name

FcStrSetAdd — add to a string set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcStrSetAdd(FcStrSet *set, const FcChar8 *s);
```

# **Description**

Adds a copy of s to set.

# Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrSetAddFilename**

#### Name

FcStrSetAddFilename — add a filename to a string set

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcStrSetAddFilename(FcStrSet *set, const FcChar8 *s);
```

Adds a copy s to set, The copy is created with FcStrCopyFilename so that leading '~' values are replaced with the value of the HOME environment variable.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcStrSetDel**

### Name

FcStrSetDel — delete from a string set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcStrSetDel(FcStrSet *set, const FcChar8 *s);
```

# **Description**

Removes s from set, returning FcTrue if s was a member else FcFalse.

### **Version**

# **FcStrSetDestroy**

### Name

FcStrSetDestroy — destroy a string set

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcStrSetDestroy(FcStrSet *set);
```

# **Description**

Destroys set.

## Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrListCreate**

### Name

FcStrListCreate — create a string iterator

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcStrList * FcStrListCreate(FcStrSet *set);
```

Creates an iterator to list the strings in set.

### Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrListNext**

#### Name

FcStrListNext — get next string in iteration

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrListNext(FcStrList *list);
```

# **Description**

Returns the next string in set.

### **Version**

### **FcStrListDone**

#### **Name**

FcStrListDone — destroy a string iterator

### **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
void FcStrListDone(FcStrList *list);
```

## **Description**

Destroys the enumerator list.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# 4.16. String utilities

Fontconfig manipulates many UTF-8 strings represented with the FcChar8 type. These functions are exposed to help applications deal with these UTF-8 strings in a locale-insensitive manner.

## FcUtf8ToUcs4

### Name

FcUtf8ToUcs4 — convert UTF-8 to UCS4

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
int FcUtf8ToUcs4 (FcChar8 *src, FcChar32 *dst, int len);
```

Converts the next Unicode char from src into dst and returns the number of bytes containing the char. src nust be at least len bytes long.

## Version

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## FcUcs4ToUtf8

### **Name**

FcUcs4ToUtf8 — convert UCS4 to UTF-8

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
int FcUcs4ToUtf8(FcChar32 src, FcChar8 dst[FC_UTF8_MAX_LEN]);
```

# **Description**

Converts the Unicode char from src into dst and returns the number of bytes needed to encode the char.

### **Version**

# FcUtf8Len

#### **Name**

FcUtf8Len — count UTF-8 encoded chars

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcUtf8Len(FcChar8 *src, int len, int *nchar, int *wchar);
```

### **Description**

Counts the number of Unicode chars in *len* bytes of *src*. Places that count in *nchar*. *wchar* contains 1, 2 or 4 depending on the number of bytes needed to hold the largest unicode char counted. The return value indicates whether *src* is a well-formed UTF8 string.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# FcUtf16ToUcs4

#### Name

FcUtf16ToUcs4 — convert UTF-16 to UCS4

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
int FcUtf16ToUcs4(FcChar8 *src, FcEndian endian, FcChar32 *dst, int len);
```

Converts the next Unicode char from src into dst and returns the number of bytes containing the char. src must be at least len bytes long. Bytes of src are combined into 16-bit units according to endian.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## FcUtf16Len

#### Name

FcUtf16Len — count UTF-16 encoded chars

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcBool FcUtf16Len(FcChar8 *src, FcEndian endian, int len, int *nchar, int
*wchar);
```

### **Description**

Counts the number of Unicode chars in 1en bytes of src. Bytes of src are combined into 16-bit units according to endian. Places that count in nchar. wchar contains 1, 2 or 4 depending on the number of bytes needed to hold the largest unicode char counted. The return value indicates whether string is a well-formed UTF16 string.

#### **Version**

# **FcStrCopy**

### Name

FcStrCopy — duplicate a string

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrCopy(const FcChar8 *s);
```

# **Description**

Allocates memory, copies s and returns the resulting buffer. Yes, this is strdup, but that function isn't available on every platform.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrDowncase**

#### Name

FcStrDowncase — create a lower case translation of a string

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrDowncase(const FcChar8 *s);
```

Allocates memory, copies s, converting upper case letters to lower case and returns the allocated buffer.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrCopyFilename**

#### Name

FcStrCopyFilename — copy a string, expanding '~'

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrCopyFilename(const FcChar8 *s);
```

# **Description**

Just like FcStrCopy except that it converts any leading '~' characters in s to the value of the HOME environment variable. Returns NULL if '~' is present in s and HOME is unset.

### Version

# **FcStrCmplgnoreCase**

#### **Name**

FcStrCmpIgnoreCase — compare UTF-8 strings ignoring ASCII case

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
int FcStrCmpIgnoreCase(const FcChar8 *s1, const FcChar8 *s2);
```

## **Description**

Returns the usual <0, 0, >0 result of comparing s1 and s2. This test is case-insensitive in the ASCII range and will operate properly with UTF8 encoded strings, although it does not check for well formed strings.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcStrStr**

#### Name

FcStrStr — locate UTF-8 substring

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrStr(const char *s1, const char *s2);
```

Returns the location of s2 in s1. Returns NULL if s2 is not present in s1. This test will operate properly with UTF8 encoded strings, although it does not check for well formed strings.

#### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

# **FcStrStrIgnoreCase**

#### **Name**

 ${\tt FcStrStrIgnoreCase} \color{red} \color{blue} - {\tt locate\ UTF-8\ substring\ ignoring\ ASCII\ case}$ 

## **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrStrIgnoreCase(const char *s1, const char *s2);
```

## **Description**

Returns the location of s2 in s1, ignoring ASCII case. Returns NULL if s2 is not present in s1. This test is case-insensitive in the ASCII range and will operate properly with UTF8 encoded strings, although it does not check for well formed strings.

#### Version

## **FcStrDirname**

#### **Name**

FcStrDirname — directory part of filename

# **Synopsis**

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrDirname(const FcChar8 *file);
```

# **Description**

Returns the directory containing file. This is returned in newly allocated storage which should be freed when no longer needed.

### **Version**

Fontconfig version 2.4.2

## **FcStrBasename**

#### Name

FcStrBasename — last component of filename

```
#include <fontconfig.h>
FcChar8 * FcStrBasename(const FcChar8 *file);
```

Returns the filename of file stripped of any leading directory names. This is returned in newly allocated storage which should be freed when no longer needed.

# Version