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pathname pattern-matching types

Prolog

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Synopsis

```
#include <glob.h>
```

Description

The *<glob.h>* header shall define the structures and symbolic constants used by the *glob()* function.

The *<glob.h>* header shall define the **glob_t** structure type, which shall include at least the following members:

```
size_t    gl_pathc  Count of paths matched by pattern.
char      **gl_pathv Pointer to a list of matched pathnames.
size_t    gl_offs   Slots to reserve at the beginning of gl_pathv.
```

The *<glob.h>* header shall define the **size_t** type as described in *<sys/types.h>*.

The *<glob.h>* header shall define the following symbolic constants as values for the *flags* argument:

GLOB_APPEND

Append generated pathnames to those previously obtained.

GLOB_DOOFFS

Specify how many null pointers to add to the beginning of *gl_pathv*.

GLOB_ERR

Cause *glob()* to return on error.

GLOB_MARK

Each pathname that is a directory that matches *pattern* has a *<slash>* appended.

GLOB_NOCHECK

If *pattern* does not match any pathname, then return a list consisting of only *pattern*.

GLOB_NOESCAPE

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Do not sort the pathnames returned.

The `<glob.h>` header shall define the following symbolic constants as error return values:

GLOB_ABORTED

The scan was stopped because GLOB_ERR was set or `(*errfunc)()` returned non-zero.

GLOB_NOMATCH

The pattern does not match any existing pathname, and GLOB_NOCHECK was not set in *flags*.

GLOB_NOSPACE

An attempt to allocate memory failed.

The following shall be declared as functions and may also be defined as macros. Function prototypes shall be provided.

```
int glob(const char *restrict, int, int (*)(const char *, int),
        glob_t *restrict);
void globfree(glob_t *);
```

The following sections are informative.

Application Usage

None.

Rationale

None.

Future Directions

None.

See Also

[`<sys_types.h>`](#)

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Referenced By

`glob(3p)`.

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