

# QDF Background

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## 1 QDF Data Layout

This section defines the layout of data in a QDF

### 1.1 qtype

The enum `qtype_t` is defined as

```
typedef enum {
    Qerr = 0,
    Q0,
    B1, // boolean stored as bit
    BL, // boolean stored as bool
    I8, // signed 1-byte integer
    I16, // signed 2-byte integer
    I32, // signed 4-byte integer
    I64, // signed 8-byte integer
    BF16, // bfloat16 floating point
    FP32, // single precision floating point
    FP64, // double precision floating point
    UI8, // unsigned 1-byte integer
    UI16, // unsigned 2-byte integer
    UI32, // unsigned 4-byte integer
    UI64, // unsigned 8-byte integer
    SC, // constant length string
    TM, // struct tm as defined in time.h
} qtype_t;
```

### 1.2 q2c

The Lua table `q2c` is a mapping between a value of type `qtype_t` and a C type.

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I32	int32_t
TM	struct tm
FP32	float
Q0	void

Table 1: Qtypes to C Types

### 1.3 jtype

The enum `jtype_t` is defined as follows

```
typedef enum {
    j_error = 0,
    j_undef,
    j_nil,
    j_bool,
    j_string,
    j_number,
    j_date,
    j_array,
    j_object,
    // j_hashtable
} jtype_t;
```

### 1.4 QDF struct

The struct `qdf_rec_type` is defined as follows

```
typedef struct _qdf_rec_type {
    void *data;
    uint32_t size; // must be a multiple of 8
    bool is_mmap; // true => we have mmapped data not malloc'd it
    bool is_foreign; // true => do not free() or munmap()
    bool is_read_only; // true => don't modify
} QDF_REC_TYPE;
```

## 2 Read only helper functions

Table 2 lists helper functions that have been provided to you. They take as an argument an immutable pointer to `qdf_rec_type` and do **not** modify the location pointed to.

Return	Name	Args
bool	chk_qdf()	( const qdf_rec_type * const x)
qtype_t	get_qtype()	( const qdf_rec_type * const x)
jtype_t	get_jtype()	( const qdf_rec_type * const x)
UI4	get_length()	( const qdf_rec_type * const x)
const char *	get_read_arr_ptr()	( const qdf_rec_type * const x)
UI4	get_num_keys()	( const qdf_rec_type * const x)

Table 2: List of read only helper functions

## 2.1 chk\_qdf ()

Returns true if x is syntactically valid; false, otherwise

## 2.2 get\_qtype ()

Returns qtype\_t of x

## 2.3 get\_jtype ()

Returns jtype\_t of x

## 2.4 get\_length ()

If jtype\_t of x is j\_array, then returns length of array; else, returns 0.

## 2.5 get\_read\_arr\_ptr ()

If jtype\_t of x is j\_array, then returns NULL. If qtype\_t of x is Qerr or Q0, then returns NULL. Else, returns a pointer to the 0<sup>th</sup> element of the array. The data pointed to cannot be modified.

## 2.6 get\_num\_keys ()

If jtype\_t x is j\_object, then returns number of keys; else, returns 0.

## 3 Coalesce

Let x be a read only immutable pointer to qdf\_rec\_type. Let y be a read only immutable pointer to qdf\_rec\_type. Let z be a pointer to qdf\_rec\_type.

- qx := get\_qtype ()(x)

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- `qy := get_qtype()(y)`
  - `cqx := q2c[qx]`
  - `cqy := q2c[qy]`

```
T = { "coalesce", "_", cqx, "_", cqy }
foo = string.concat(T)
```

Create a function with name `foo` specified as above that prints “Hello World”