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Preamble

引言

The licenses for most software are designed to take away your freedom to share and change it. By contrast, the GNU General Public Licenses are intended to guarantee your freedom to share and change free software--to make sure the software is free for all its users.

就多数软件而言，许可证被设计用于剥夺你分享和修改软件的自由。相反，GNU通用公共许可证力图保障你分享和修改某程序全部版本的权利——确保自由软件对其用户来说是自由的。我们——自由软件基金会——将GNU通用公共许可证用于我们的大多数软件，并为一些其他作品的作者效仿。你也可以将本许可证用于你的程序。

This license, the Lesser General Public License, applies to some specially designated software packages--typically libraries--of the Free Software Foundation and other authors who decide to use it. You can use it too, but we suggest you first think carefully about whether this license or the ordinary General Public License is the better strategy to use in any particular case, based on the explanations below.

本许可证——宽松通用许可证是为软件包——最典型的是库——专门设计的，自由软件基金会和其他作者决定采用它。你也可以采用，但是我们建议你根据下午的解释，仔细思考本许可证还是通用公共许可证哪个更适合你采用。

When we speak of free software, we are referring to freedom of use, not price. Our General Public Licenses are designed to make sure that you have the freedom to distribute copies of free software (and charge for this service if you wish); that you receive source code or can get it if you want it; that you can change the software and use pieces of it in new free programs; and that you are informed that you can do these things.

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To protect your rights, we need to make restrictions that forbid distributors to deny you these rights or to ask you to surrender these rights. These restrictions translate to certain responsibilities for you if you distribute copies of the library or if you modify it.

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For example, if you distribute copies of the library, whether gratis or for a fee, you must give the recipients all the rights that we gave you. You must make sure that they, too, receive or can get the source code. If you link other code with the library, you must provide complete object files to the recipients, so that they can relink them with the library after making changes to the library and recompiling it. And you must show them these terms so they know their rights.

例如，你分发这类软件的副本，无论是收费或者免费，你必须授予接收者你拥有的所有权利。你必须保证他们也能收到或者能够获得源代码。如果你将本库链接到其他代码，你必须向接受者提供所有目标文件，以让他们修改本库之后也能重新链接和编译。并且你也要确保他们也知道他们的权利。

We protect your rights with a two-step method: (1) we copyright the library, and (2) we offer you this license, which gives you legal permission to copy, distribute and/or modify the library.

我们通过两个步骤保障你的权利：（1）声明本库的版权；（2）通过本许可证授予你合法地复制、分发和修改该软件的权利。

To protect each distributor, we want to make it very clear that there is no warranty for the free library. Also, if the library is modified by someone else and passed on, the recipients should know that what they have is not the original version, so that the original author's reputation will not be affected by problems that might be introduced by others.

为了保护每位分发者，我们明确声明：本库没有品质担保。另外，如果某人修改和发送本库，接受者应该明白这不是原始版本，因此其他人引入的问题不应该影响原作者的声誉。

Finally, software patents pose a constant threat to the existence of any free program. We wish to make sure that a company cannot effectively restrict the users of a free program by obtaining a restrictive license from a patent holder. Therefore, we insist that any patent license obtained for a version of the library must be consistent with the full freedom of use specified in this license.

最后，软件专利持续地威胁着每个自由程序。我们希望确保公司不能通过从专利持有人那里获得限制性许可来有效地限制免费程序的用户。因此，我们坚持认为，为某个版本的库获得的任何专利许可必须与该许可中规定的完全自由使用相一致。

Most GNU software, including some libraries, is covered by the ordinary GNU General Public License. This license, the GNU Lesser General Public License, applies to certain designated libraries, and is quite different from the ordinary General Public License. We use this license for certain libraries in order to permit linking those libraries into non-free programs.

大多数 GNU 软件，包括一些库，都采用普通 GNU 通用公共许可证。该许可证，即 GNU 宽松通用公共许可证，适用于某些指定的库，与普通通用公共许可证有很大不同。我们对某些库使用此许可证，以便允许将这些

库链接到非自由程序中。

When a program is linked with a library, whether statically or using a shared library, the combination of the two is legally speaking a combined work, a derivative of the original library. The ordinary General Public License therefore permits such linking only if the entire combination fits its criteria of freedom. The Lesser General Public License permits more lax criteria for linking other code with the library.

当程序与库链接时，无论是静态链接还是使用共享库，两者的结合在法律上都是组合作品，是原始库的衍生作品。因此，只有当整个组合符合其自由标准时，普通通用公共许可证才允许此类链接。宽松许可证允许更宽松的标准来将其他代码与库链接。

We call this license the "Lesser" General Public License because it does Less to protect the user's freedom than the ordinary General Public License. It also provides other free software developers Less of an advantage over competing non-free programs. These disadvantages are the reason we use the ordinary General Public License for many libraries. However, the Lesser license provides advantages in certain special circumstances.

我们称此许可证为“宽松”通用公共许可证，因为它比普通通用公共许可证更能宽松地保护用户的自由。它还其他自由软件开发人员提供了比竞争性非自由程序更少的优势。这些缺点是我们对许多库使用普通公共许可证的原因。但是，较宽松的许可在某些特殊情况下提供了优势。

For example, on rare occasions, there may be a special need to encourage the widest possible use of a certain library, so that it becomes a de-facto standard. To achieve this, non-free programs must be allowed to use the library. A more frequent case is that a free library does the same job as widely used non-free libraries. In this case, there is little to gain by limiting the free library to free software only, so we use the Lesser General Public License.

例如，在极少数情况下，可能特别需要鼓励尽可能广泛地使用某个库，以便它成为事实上的标准。为此，必须允许非自由程序使用本库。更常见的情况是免费库与广泛使用的非免费库做同样的工作。在这种情况下，将免费库仅限于免费软件几乎没有什么好处，因此我们使用较宽松的通用公共许可证。

In other cases, permission to use a particular library in non-free programs enables a greater number of people to use a large body of free software. For example, permission to use the GNU C Library in non-free programs enables many more people to use the whole GNU operating system, as well as its variant, the GNU/Linux operating system.

在其他情况下，允许以非自由方式使用特定库程序使更多的人能够使用大量的免费软件。例如，在非自由程序中使用 GNU C 库的许可使更多人能够使用整个 GNU 操作系统及其变体 GNU/Linux 操作系统。

Although the Lesser General Public License is Less protective of the users' freedom, it does ensure that the user of a program that is linked with the Library has the freedom and the wherewithal to run that program using a modified version of the Library.

尽管较宽松的通用公共许可证对用户自由的保护较少，但它确实确保与库链接的程序的用户拥有使用库的修改版本运行该程序的自由和手段。

The precise terms and conditions for copying, distribution and modification follow. Pay close attention to the difference between a "work based on the library" and a "work that uses the library". The former contains code derived from the library, whereas the latter must be combined with the library in order to run.

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A "library" means a collection of software functions and/or data prepared so as to be conveniently linked with application programs (which use some of those functions and data) to form executables.

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The "Library", below, refers to any such software library or work which has been distributed under these terms. A "work based on the Library" means either the Library or any derivative work under copyright law: that is to say, a work containing the Library or a portion of it, either verbatim or with modifications and/or translated straightforwardly into another language. (Hereinafter, translation is included without limitation in the term "modification".)

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"Source code" for a work means the preferred form of the work for making modifications to it. For a library, complete source code means all the source code for all modules it contains, plus any associated interface definition files, plus the scripts used to control compilation and installation of the library.

作品的“源代码”是指对作品进行修改的首选形式。对于一个库，完整的源代码是指它包含的所有模块的所有源代码，加上任何相关的接口定义文件，加上用于控制库的编译和安装脚本。

Activities other than copying, distribution and modification are not covered by this License; they are outside its scope. The act of running a program using the Library is not restricted, and output from such a program is covered only if its contents constitute a work based on the Library (independent of the use of the Library in a tool for writing it). Whether that is true depends on what the Library does and what the program that uses the Library does.

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2. 你可以修改你的库或其任何部分的一个或多个副本，从而形成基于库的作品，并根据上文第 1 条的条款复制和分发此类修改或作品，前提是你还满足所有这些条件：

- a) The modified work must itself be a software library.
- a) 被修改的作品本身必须是一个软件库。
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- d) 如果修改后的库中的功能引用由使用该功能的应用程序提供的函数或数据，而不是作为调用该功能时传递的参数，那么你必须真诚地努力确保 如果应用程序不提供此功能或数据，该功能仍能执行并且获得有意义的结果。

(For example, a function in a library to compute square roots has a purpose that is entirely well-defined independent of the application. Therefore, Subsection 2d requires that any application-supplied function or table used by this function must be optional: if the application does not supply it, the square root function must still compute square roots.)

(例如，库中计算平方根的函数有一个完全明确定义的独立于应用程序的目的。因此，第2条d款要求任何应用程序提供的函数或此函数使用的数据必须是可选的：如果应用程序不提供它，平方根函数仍必须计算平方根。)

These requirements apply to the modified work as a whole. If identifiable sections of that work are not derived from the Library, and can be reasonably considered independent and separate works in themselves, then this License, and its terms, do not apply to those sections when you distribute them as separate works. But when you distribute the same sections as part of a whole which is a work based on the Library, the distribution of

the whole must be on the terms of this License, whose permissions for other licensees extend to the entire whole, and thus to each and every part regardless of who wrote it.

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Thus, it is not the intent of this section to claim rights or contest your rights to work written entirely by you; rather, the intent is to exercise the right to control the distribution of derivative or collective works based on the Library.

因此，本条的目的不是声明你的权利或者与由你编写的作品的权利抗辩；相反，目的是行使控制衍生品发行或发行的权利基于本库的集体作品。

In addition, mere aggregation of another work not based on the Library with the Library (or with a work based on the Library) on a volume of a storage or distribution medium does not bring the other work under the scope of this License.

此外，仅将不基于本库的另一作品与本库（或基于本库的作品）聚合在存储或分发介质上不会使其他作品处于本许可证的范围内。

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This option is useful when you wish to copy part of the code of the Library into a program that is not a library.

当你希望复制本库的部分代码到一个程序而不是库中时，该选项很有用。

4. You may copy and distribute the Library (or a portion or derivative of it, under Section 2) in object code or executable form under the terms of Sections 1 and 2 above provided that you accompany it with the complete corresponding machine-readable source code, which must be distributed under the terms of Sections 1 and 2 above on a medium customarily used for software interchange.

你可以根据上文第1条和第2条的条款以目标代码或可执行形式复制和分发本库（或根据第2条要求其部分或衍生品），前提是你随附完整的相应机器可读源代码，必须根据上文第1条和第2条的条款在通常用于软件交换的介质上分发。

If distribution of object code is made by offering access to copy from a designated place, then offering equivalent access to copy the source code from the same place satisfies the requirement to distribute the source code, even though third parties are not compelled to copy the source along with the object code.

如果目标代码的分发是通过提供从指定位置复制的访问权限进行的，那么提供同一地址复制源代码的等效访问权限满足分发源代码的要求，即使第三方没有被迫复制源代码连同目标代码。

5. A program that contains no derivative of any portion of the Library, but is designed to work with the Library by being compiled or linked with it, is called a "work that uses the Library". Such a work, in isolation, is not a derivative work of the Library, and therefore falls outside the scope of this License.

不包含本库的任何部分的衍生程序，但被设计为通过编译或链接与本库一起工作的程序，称为“使用本库的作品”。这样的作品，单独来看，不是本库的衍生作品，因此不属于本许可的范围。

However, linking a "work that uses the Library" with the Library creates an executable that is a derivative of the Library (because it contains portions of the Library), rather than a "work that uses the library". The executable is therefore covered by this License. Section 6 states terms for distribution of such executables.

但是，将“使用本库的作品”与本库链接会创建一个可执行文件，该可执行文件是本库的衍生品（因为它包含本库的部分），而不是“使用本库的作品”。因此，可执行文件包含在本许可证中。第6条规定了此类可执行文件的分发条款。

When a "work that uses the Library" uses material from a header file that is part of the Library, the object code for the work may be a derivative work of the Library even though the source code is not. Whether this is true is especially significant if the work can be linked without the Library, or if the work is itself a library. The threshold for this to be true is not precisely defined by law.

当“使用本库的作品”使用作为本库一部分的头文件中的材料时，作品的目标代码可能是本库的衍生品，即使源代码不是。如果作品可以在没有本库的情况下链接，或者作品本身就是一个库，那么这是否属实尤其重要。法律并未明确规定这一点的门槛。

If such an object file uses only numerical parameters, data structure layouts and accessors, and small macros and small inline functions (ten lines or less in length), then the use of the object file is unrestricted, regardless of whether it is legally a derivative work. (Executables containing this object code plus portions of the Library will still fall under Section 6.)

如果这样的目标文件仅使用数值参数、数据结构布局和访问器以及小型宏和小型内联函数（长度不超过10行），则目标文件的使用不受限制，无论它是否合法衍生品。（包含此目标代码和部分库的可执行文件仍在第6条涵盖范围内。）

Otherwise, if the work is a derivative of the Library, you may distribute the object code for the work under the terms of Section 6. Any executables containing that work also fall under Section 6, whether or not they are linked directly with the Library itself.

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6. As an exception to the Sections above, you may also combine or link a "work that uses the Library" with the Library to produce a work containing portions of the Library, and distribute that work under terms of your choice, provided that the terms permit modification of the work for the customer's own use and reverse engineering for debugging such modifications.

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