

**NAME**

PCRE2 - Perl-compatible regular expressions (revised API)

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <pcre2.h>
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int pcre2_config(uint32_t what, void *where);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

This function makes it possible for a client program to find out which optional features are available in the version of the PCRE2 library it is using. The arguments are as follows:

*what* A code specifying what information is required

*where* Points to where to put the information

If *where* is NULL, the function returns the amount of memory needed for the requested information. When the information is a string, the value is in code units; for other types of data it is in bytes.

If **where** is not NULL, for PCRE2\_CONFIG\_JITTARGET, PCRE2\_CONFIG\_UNICODE\_VERSION, and PCRE2\_CONFIG\_VERSION it must point to a buffer that is large enough to hold the string. For all other codes it must point to a uint32\_t integer variable. The available codes are:

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_BSR         Indicates what \R matches by default:

    PCRE2\_BSR\_UNICODE

    PCRE2\_BSR\_ANYCRLF

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_COMPILED\_WIDTHS Which of 8/16/32 support was compiled

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_DEPTHLIMIT   Default backtracking depth limit

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_HEAPLIMIT   Default heap memory limit

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_JIT         Availability of just-in-time compiler  
                          support (1=yes 0=no)

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_JITTARGET   Information (a string) about the target  
                          architecture for the JIT compiler

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_LINKSIZE   Configured internal link size (2, 3, 4)

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_MATCHLIMIT   Default internal resource limit

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_NEVER\_BACKSLASH\_C Whether or not \C is disabled

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_NEWLINE     Code for the default newline sequence:  
                          PCRE2\_NEWLINE\_CR  
                          PCRE2\_NEWLINE\_LF  
                          PCRE2\_NEWLINE\_CRLF  
                          PCRE2\_NEWLINE\_ANY

PCRE2\_NEWLINE\_ANYCRLF

PCRE2\_NEWLINE\_NUL

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_PARENSLIMIT Default parentheses nesting limit

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_RECURRENCELIMIT Obsolete: use PCRE2\_CONFIG\_DEPTHLIMIT

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_STACKRECURSE Obsolete: always returns 0

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_UNICODE Availability of Unicode support (1=yes  
0=no)

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_UNICODE\_VERSION The Unicode version (a string)

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_VERSION The PCRE2 version (a string)

The function yields a non-negative value on success or the negative value

PCRE2\_ERROR\_BADOPTION otherwise. This is also the result for the

PCRE2\_CONFIG\_JITTARGET code if JIT support is not available. When a string is requested, the function returns the number of code units used, including the terminating zero.

There is a complete description of the PCRE2 native API in the [pcre2api](#) page and a description of the POSIX API in the [pcre2posix](#) page.