

**NAME**

ldap\_is\_ldap\_url, ldap\_url\_parse, ldap\_free\_urldesc - LDAP Uniform Resource Locator routines

**LIBRARY**

OpenLDAP LDAP (libldap, -lldap)

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <ldap.h>
```

```
int ldap_is_ldap_url( const char *url )
```

```
int ldap_url_parse( const char *url, LDAPURLDesc **ludpp )
```

```
typedef struct ldap_url_desc {  
    char *    lud_scheme; /* URI scheme */  
    char *    lud_host; /* LDAP host to contact */  
    int      lud_port; /* port on host */  
    char *    lud_dn; /* base for search */  
    char **   lud_attrs; /* list of attributes */  
    int      lud_scope; /* a LDAP_SCOPE_... value */  
    char *    lud_filter; /* LDAP search filter */  
    char **   lud_exts; /* LDAP extensions */  
    int      lud_crit_exts; /* true if any extension is critical */  
    /* may contain additional fields for internal use */  
} LDAPURLDesc;
```

```
void ldap_free_urldesc( LDAPURLDesc *ludp );
```

**DESCRIPTION**

These routines support the use of LDAP URLs (Uniform Resource Locators) as detailed in RFC 4516. LDAP URLs look like this:

```
ldap://hostport/dn[?attrs[?scope[?filter[?exts]]]]
```

where:

*hostport* is a host name with an optional "portnumber"

*dn* is the search base

*attrs* is a comma separated list of attributes to request

*scope* is one of these three strings:

base one sub (default=base)

*filter* is filter

*exts* are recognized set of LDAP and/or API extensions.

Example:

```
ldap://ldap.example.net/dc=example,dc=net?cn,sn?sub?(cn=*)
```

URLs that are wrapped in angle-brackets and/or preceded by "URL:" are also tolerated. Alternative LDAP schemes such as ldaps:// and ldapi:// may be parsed using the below routines as well.

**ldap\_is\_ldap\_url()** returns a non-zero value if *url* looks like an LDAP URL (as opposed to some other kind of URL). It can be used as a quick check for an LDAP URL; the **ldap\_url\_parse()** routine should be used if a more thorough check is needed.

**ldap\_url\_parse()** breaks down an LDAP URL passed in *url* into its component pieces. If successful, zero is returned, an LDAP URL description is allocated, filled in, and *ludpp* is set to point to it. If an error occurs, a non-zero URL error code is returned.

**ldap\_free\_urldesc()** should be called to free an LDAP URL description that was obtained from a call to **ldap\_url\_parse()**.

## SEE ALSO

**ldap(3)**

**RFC 4516** <<http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc4516.txt>>

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