#### **NAME**

pcre-config - program to return PCRE configuration

### **SYNOPSIS**

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pcre-config [--prefix] [--exec-prefix] [--version] [--libs]
[--libs16] [--libs32] [--libs-cpp] [--libs-posix]
[--cflags] [--cflags-posix]
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### **DESCRIPTION**

**pcre-config** returns the configuration of the installed PCRE libraries and the options required to compile a program to use them. Some of the options apply only to the 8-bit, or 16-bit, or 32-bit libraries, respectively, and are not available if only one of those libraries has been built. If an unavailable option is encountered, the "usage" information is output.

### **OPTIONS**

--prefix Writes the directory prefix used in the PCRE installation for architecture independent files (/usr on many systems, /usr/local on some systems) to the standard output.

### --exec-prefix

Writes the directory prefix used in the PCRE installation for architecture dependent files (normally the same as **--prefix**) to the standard output.

- **--version** Writes the version number of the installed PCRE libraries to the standard output.
- **--libs** Writes to the standard output the command line options required to link with the 8-bit PCRE library (**-lpcre** on many systems).
- **--libs16** Writes to the standard output the command line options required to link with the 16-bit PCRE library (**-lpcre16** on many systems).
- --libs32 Writes to the standard output the command line options required to link with the 32-bit PCRE library (-lpcre32 on many systems).
- **--libs-cpp** Writes to the standard output the command line options required to link with PCRE's C++ wrapper library (**-lpcrecpp -lpcre** on many systems).
- **--libs-posix** Writes to the standard output the command line options required to link with PCRE's POSIX API wrapper library (**-lpcreposix -lpcre** on many systems).
- **--cflags** Writes to the standard output the command line options required to compile files that use

PCRE (this may include some -I options, but is blank on many systems).

# --cflags-posix

Writes to the standard output the command line options required to compile files that use PCRE's POSIX API wrapper library (this may include some **-I** options, but is blank on many systems).

# **SEE ALSO**

pcre(3)

### **AUTHOR**

This manual page was originally written by Mark Baker for the Debian GNU/Linux system. It has been subsequently revised as a generic PCRE man page.

# **REVISION**

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