

NAME

ppvisiz - return size of pattern variable information

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <ppsubs.h>
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int pperrno; /* error type external */
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unsigned ppvisiz(headptr)
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struct PPHEAD *headptr; /* pointer to pattern header */
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DESCRIPTION

ppvisiz() returns the size (in bytes) of the variable argument information part of the pattern file with header pointed to by **headptr**. If **ppvisiz()** returns a **NULL** and **pperrno == NULL**, then the pattern is not a variable pattern (i.e., no variable arguments required). This is the only case where a **NULL** return value indicates a normal (no-error) termination.

SEE ALSO

pattern(5L)

DIAGNOSTICS

ppvisiz() returns a **NULL** when an error occurs and sets the value of the external **pperrno** to one of the following values:

- PPBADPAT** - The internal format of the pattern was not correct. This could occur if the pattern was not made by **ppmkpat(1L)** or if the pattern had been scribbled.
- PPNOVI** - This error occurs when the pattern format type is not standard. Only standard format type patterns have variable argument information included in the pattern file.