

**NAME**

**luaotload-tool** – generate and query the Luaoftload font names database

**SYNOPSIS**

**luaotload** [ –bDcffFiIpquivVwh ]

**luaotload** --update [ --force ] [ --quiet ] [ --verbose ] [ --prefer-texmf ] [ --dry-run ]

**luaotload** --find=FONTNAME [ --fuzzy ] [ --info ] [ --inspect ]

**luaotload** --flush-lookups

**luaotload** --cache=DIRECTIVE

**luaotload** --list=CRITERION[:VALUE] [ --fields=F1,F2,...,Fn ]

**luaotload** --help

**luaotload** --version

**luaotload** --show-blacklist

**DESCRIPTION**

**luaotload**–tool accesses the font names database that is required by the *Luaotload* package. There are two general modes: **update** and **query**.

- **update**: update the database or rebuild it entirely;
- **query**: resolve a font name or display close matches.

A third mode for clearing the lookup cache is currently experimental.

Note that if the script is named **mkluatexfontdb** it will behave like earlier versions (<=1.3) and always update the database first. Also, the verbosity level will be set to 2.

**OPTIONS****update mode**

**--update, -u**

Update the database; indexes new fonts.

**--force, -f**

Force rebuilding of the database; re-indexes all fonts.

**--prefer-texmf, -p**

Organize the file name database in a way so that it prefer fonts in the *TEXMF* tree over system fonts if they are installed in both.

**--dry-run, -D**

Don't load fonts, scan directories only. (For debugging file system related issues.)

**query mode**

**--find=NAME**

Resolve a font name; this looks up <name> in the database and prints the file name it is mapped to.

**--fuzzy, -F**

Show approximate matches to the file name if the lookup was unsuccessful (requires **--find**).

**--info, -i**

Display basic information to a resolved font file (requires **--find**).

**--inspect, -I**

Display detailed information by loading the font and analyzing the font table; very slow! For the meaning of the returned fields see the LuaTeX documentation. (requires **--find**).

**--warnings, -w**

Print the warnings generated by the fontloader library (assumes **-I**). Automatically enabled if the verbosity level exceeds 2.

**--show-blacklist, -b**

Show blacklisted files (not directories).

**--list=CRITERION**

Show entries, where *CRITERION* is one of the following:

1. the character \*, selecting all entries;
2. a field of a database entry, for instance *fullname* or *units\_per\_em*, according to which the output will be sorted; or
3. an expression of the form **field:value** to limit the output to entries whose **field** matches **value**.

**--fields=FIELDS**

Comma-separated list of fields that should be printed. The default is *fullname,version*. (Only meaningful with **--list**.)

**font and lookup caches****--flush-lookups**

Clear font name lookup cache (experimental).

**--cache=DIRECTIVE**

Cache control, where *DIRECTIVE* is one of the following:

1. **purge** -> delete Lua files from cache;
2. **erase** -> delete Lua and Luc files from cache;
3. **show** -> print stats.

**miscellaneous****--verbose=N, -v**

Set verbosity level to *n* or the number of repetitions of **-v**.

**--quiet**

No verbose output (log level set to zero).

**--log=CHANNEL**

Redirect log output (for database troubleshooting), where *CHANNEL* can be

1. **stdout** -> all output will be dumped to the terminal; or

2. **file** -> write to a file to the temporary directory (the name will be chosen automatically (**experimental!**)).

**--version, -V**

Show version number and exit.

**--help, -h**

Show help message and exit.

**FILES**

The font name database is usually located in the directory **texmf-var/lua-tex-cache/generic/names/** (**\$TEXMF CACHE** as set in **texmf.cnf**) of your *TeX Live* distribution as **luaotload-names.lua**. The experimental lookup cache will be created as **luaotfloat-lookup-cache.lua** in the same directory. Both files are safe to delete, at the cost of regenerating them with the next run of *LuaTeX*.

**SEE ALSO**

**luatex** (1), **lua** (1)

- **texdoc luaotload** to display the manual for the *Luaotload* package
- Luaotload development <https://github.com/lualatex/luaotload>
- LuaLaTeX mailing list <http://tug.org/pipermail/lualatex-dev/>
- **LuaTeX** <http://luatex.org/>
- **ConTeXt** <http://wiki.contextgarden.net>
- **Luaotload on CTAN** <http://ctan.org/pkg/luaotload>

**BUGS**

Tons, probably.

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