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FDIM(3P) POSIX Programmer's Manual FDIM(3P)

PROLOG

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NAME

fdim, fdimf, fdiml ? compute positive difference between two floating-point numbers

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <math.h>

double fdim(double x, double y);

float fdimf(float x, float y);

long double fdiml(long double x, long double y);
```

DESCRIPTION

The functionality described on this reference page is aligned with the ISO C standard. Any conflict between the requirements described here and the ISO C standard is unintentional. This volume of POSIX.1-2017 defers to the ISO C standard.

These functions shall determine the positive difference between their arguments. If x is greater than y , $x-y$ is returned. If x is less than or equal to y , $+0$ is returned.

An application wishing to check for error situations should set `errno`

to zero and call `feclearexcept(FE_ALL_EXCEPT)` before calling these functions. On return, if `errno` is non-zero or `fetestexcept(FE_INVALID | FE_DIVBYZERO | FE_OVERFLOW | FE_UNDERFLOW)` is non-zero, an error has occurred.

RETURN VALUE

Upon successful completion, these functions shall return the positive difference value.

If $x-y$ is positive and overflows, a range error shall occur and `fdim()`, `fdimf()`, and `fdiml()` shall return the value of the macro `HUGE_VAL`, `HUGE_VALF`, and `HUGE_VALL`, respectively.

If the correct value would cause underflow, a range error may occur, and `fdim()`, `fdimf()`, and `fdiml()` shall return the correct value, or (if the IEC 60559 Floating-Point option is not supported) an implementation-defined value no greater in magnitude than `DBL_MIN`, `FLT_MIN`, and `LDBL_MIN`, respectively.

If x or y is NaN, a NaN shall be returned.

ERRORS

The `fdim()` function shall fail if:

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If the integer expression `(math_errhandling & MATH_ERRNO)` is non-zero, then `errno` shall be set to `[ERANGE]`. If the integer expression `(math_errhandling & MATH_ERREXCEPT)` is non-zero, then the overflow floating-point exception shall be raised.

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The following sections are informative.

EXAMPLES

None.

APPLICATION USAGE

On error, the expressions (`math_errhandling` & `MATH_ERRNO`) and (`math_errhandling` & `MATH_ERREXCEPT`) are independent of each other, but at least one of them must be non-zero.

RATIONALE

None.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

None.

SEE ALSO

`feclearexcept()`, `fetestexcept()`, `fmax()`, `fmin()`

Section 4.20, Treatment of Error Conditions for Mathematical Functions,
<math.h>

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