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# Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'nexttoward.3' command

# \$ man nexttoward.3

NEXTAFTER(3) Linux Programmer's Manual NEXTAFTER(3) NAME nextafter, nextafterf, nextafterl, nexttoward, nexttowardf, nexttowardl - floating-point number manipulation **SYNOPSIS** #include <math.h> double nextafter(double x, double y); float nextafterf(float x, float y); long double nextafterl(long double x, long double y); double nexttoward(double x, long double y); float nexttowardf(float x, long double y); long double nexttowardl(long double x, long double y); Link with -lm. Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature\_test\_macros(7)): nextafter(): \_ISOC99\_SOURCE || \_POSIX\_C\_SOURCE >= 200112L || \_XOPEN\_SOURCE >= 500 || /\* Since glibc 2.19: \*/ \_DEFAULT\_SOURCE || /\* Glibc versions <= 2.19: \*/ \_BSD\_SOURCE || \_SVID\_SOURCE nextafterf(), nextafterl(): \_ISOC99\_SOURCE || \_POSIX\_C\_SOURCE >= 200112L || /\* Since glibc 2.19: \*/ \_DEFAULT\_SOURCE || /\* Glibc versions <= 2.19: \*/ \_BSD\_SOURCE || \_SVID\_SOURCE

nexttoward(), nexttowardf();

\_XOPEN\_SOURCE >= 600 || \_ISOC99\_SOURCE ||

\_POSIX\_C\_SOURCE >= 200112L

# **DESCRIPTION**

The nextafter(), nextafterf(), and nextafterl() functions return the next representable floating-point value following x in the direction of y. If y is less than x, these functions will return the largest repre? sentable number less than x.

If x equals y, the functions return y.

The nexttoward(), nexttowardf(), and nexttowardl() functions do the same as the corresponding nextafter() functions, except that they have a long double second argument.

#### **RETURN VALUE**

On success, these functions return the next representable floatingpoint value after x in the direction of y.

If x equals y, then y (cast to the same type as x) is returned.

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

If x is finite, and the result would overflow, a range error occurs, and the functions return HUGE\_VAL, HUGE\_VALF, or HUGE\_VALL, respec? tively, with the correct mathematical sign.

If x is not equal to y, and the correct function result would be sub? normal, zero, or underflow, a range error occurs, and either the cor? rect value (if it can be represented), or 0.0, is returned.

# **ERRORS**

See math\_error(7) for information on how to determine whether an error has occurred when calling these functions.

The following errors can occur:

Range error: result overflow

errno is set to ERANGE. An overflow floating-point exception (FE\_OVERFLOW) is raised.

Range error: result is subnormal or underflows

errno is set to ERANGE. An underflow floating-point exception (FE\_UNDERFLOW) is raised.

# **ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see at? tributes(7).

?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

?nextafter(), nextafterf(), ? Thread safety ? MT-Safe ?

?nextafterl(), nexttoward(), ? ? ?

?nexttowardf(), nexttowardl() ? ?

#### **CONFORMING TO**

C99, POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008. This function is defined in IEC 559 (and the appendix with recommended functions in IEEE 754/IEEE 854).

#### **BUGS**

In glibc version 2.5 and earlier, these functions do not raise an un? derflow floating-point (FE\_UNDERFLOW) exception when an underflow oc? curs.

Before glibc version 2.23 these functions did not set errno.

#### SEE ALSO

nearbyint(3)

# **COLOPHON**

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