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Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'tgammaf.3'

# \$ man tgammaf.3

TGAMMA(3) Linux Programmer's Manual TGAMMA(3) NAME tgamma, tgammaf, tgammal - true gamma function SYNOPSIS #include <math.h>

double tgamma(double x);

float tgammaf(float x);

long double tgammal(long double x);

Link with -lm.

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature\_test\_macros(7)):

tgamma(), tgammaf(), tgammal():

\_ISOC99\_SOURCE || \_POSIX\_C\_SOURCE >= 200112L

## DESCRIPTION

These functions calculate the Gamma function of x.

The Gamma function is defined by

 $Gamma(x) = integral from 0 to infinity of t^(x-1) e^-t dt$ 

It is defined for every real number except for nonpositive integers.

For nonnegative integral m one has

Gamma(m+1) = m!

and, more generally, for all x:

Gamma(x+1) = x \* Gamma(x)

Furthermore, the following is valid for all values of x outside the

poles:

Gamma(x) \* Gamma(1 - x) = PI / sin(PI \* x)

## **RETURN VALUE**

On success, these functions return Gamma(x).

If x is a NaN, a NaN is returned.

If x is positive infinity, positive infinity is returned.

If x is a negative integer, or is negative infinity, a domain error oc?

curs, and a NaN is returned.

If the result overflows, a range error occurs, and the functions return

HUGE\_VAL, HUGE\_VALF, or HUGE\_VALL, respectively, with the correct math?

ematical sign.

If the result underflows, a range error occurs, and the functions re?

turn 0, with the correct mathematical sign.

If x is -0 or +0, a pole error occurs, and the functions return

HUGE\_VAL, HUGE\_VALF, or HUGE\_VALL, respectively, with the same sign as

the 0.

# 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:

Domain error: x is a negative integer, or negative infinity

errno is set to EDOM. An invalid floating-point exception

(FE\_INVALID) is raised (but see BUGS).

Pole error: x is +0 or -0

errno is set to ERANGE. A divide-by-zero floating-point excep?

tion (FE\_DIVBYZERO) is raised.

Range error: result overflow

errno is set to ERANGE. An overflow floating-point exception

(FE\_OVERFLOW) is raised.

glibc also gives the following error which is not specified in C99 or

POSIX.1-2001.

Range error: result underflow

An underflow floating-point exception (FE\_UNDERFLOW) is raised,

and errno is set to ERANGE.

## VERSIONS

These functions first appeared in glibc in version 2.1.

### ATTRIBUTES

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see at?

tributes(7).

?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

?tgamma(), tgammaf(), tgammal() ? Thread safety ? MT-Safe ?

### CONFORMING TO

C99, POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008.

### NOTES

This function had to be called "true gamma function" since there is al? ready a function gamma(3) that returns something else (see gamma(3) for details).

### BUGS

Before version 2.18, the glibc implementation of these functions did

not set errno to EDOM when x is negative infinity.

Before glibc 2.19, the glibc implementation of these functions did not

set errno to ERANGE on an underflow range error. x

In glibc versions 2.3.3 and earlier, an argument of +0 or -0 incor?

rectly produced a domain error (errno set to EDOM and an FE\_INVALID ex?

ception raised), rather than a pole error.

## SEE ALSO

gamma(3), lgamma(3)

## COLOPHON

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