NAME

log, logf, logl − natural logarithmic function

SYNOPSIS

#include <math.h>

double log(double *x***);**
float logf(float *x***);**
long double logl(long double *x***);**

Link with *−lm*.

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see **feature_test_macros**(7)):

logf(), **logl**():
_ISOC99_SOURCE || _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L
|| /* Since glibc 2.19: */ _DEFAULT_SOURCE
|| /* Glibc versions <= 2.19: */ _BSD_SOURCE || _SVID_SOURCE

DESCRIPTION

These functions return the natural logarithm of *x*.

RETURN VALUE

On success, these functions return the natural logarithm of *x*.

If *x* is a NaN, a NaN is returned.

If *x* is 1, the result is +0.

If *x* is positive infinity, positive infinity is returned.

If *x* is zero, then a pole error occurs, and the functions return -**HUGE_VAL**, -**HUGE_VALF**, or -**HUGE_VALL**, respectively.

If *x* is negative (including negative infinity), then a domain error occurs, and a NaN (not a number) 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:

Domain error: *x* is negative
errno is set to **EDOM**. An invalid floating-point exception (**FE_INVALID**) is raised.

Pole error: *x* is zero
errno is set to **ERANGE**. A divide-by-zero floating-point exception (**FE_DIVBYZERO**) is raised.

ATTRIBUTES

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see **attributes**(7).

Interface	Attribute	Value
log(), **logf**(), **logl**()	Thread safety	MT-Safe

CONFORMING TO

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

The variant returning *double* also conforms to SVr4, 4.3BSD, C89.

BUGS

In glibc 2.5 and earlier, taking the **log**() of a NaN produces a bogus invalid floating-point (**FE_INVALID**) exception.

SEE ALSO

cbrt(3), **clog**(3), **log10**(3), **log1p**(3), **log2**(3), **sqrt**(3)

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