

NAME

expm1, expm1f, expm1l - exponential minus 1

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <math.h>
```

```
double expm1(double x);
float expm1f(float x);
long double expm1l(long double x);
```

Link with *-lm*.

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see [feature_test_macros\(7\)](#)):

```
expm1():
    _BSD_SOURCE || _SVID_SOURCE || _XOPEN_SOURCE >= 500 ||
    _XOPEN_SOURCE && _XOPEN_SOURCE_EXTENDED || _ISOC99_SOURCE ||
    _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L;
    or cc -std=c99
expm1f(), expm1l():
    _BSD_SOURCE || _SVID_SOURCE || _XOPEN_SOURCE >= 600 || _ISOC99_SOURCE ||
    _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L;
    or cc -std=c99
```

DESCRIPTION

expm1(x) returns a value equivalent to

$\exp(x) - 1$

It is computed in a way that is accurate even if the value of *x* is near zero—a case where *exp(x) - 1* would be inaccurate due to subtraction of two numbers that are nearly equal.

RETURN VALUE

On success, these functions return *exp(x) - 1*.

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

If *x* is +0 (-0), +0 (-0) is returned.

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

If *x* is negative infinity, -1 is returned.

If the result overflows, a range error occurs, and the functions return **-HUGE_VAL**, **-HUGE_VALF**, or **-HUGE_VALL**, respectively.

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, overflow

errno is set to **ERANGE** (but see [BUGS](#)). An overflow floating-point exception (**FE_OVERFLOW**) is raised.

ATTRIBUTES

Multithreading (see [pthreads\(7\)](#))

The **expm1()**, **expm1f()**, and **expm1l()** functions are thread-safe.

CONFORMING TO

C99, POSIX.1-2001.

BUGS

For some large negative x values (where the function result approaches -1), **expm1()** raises a bogus underflow floating-point exception.

For some large positive x values, **expm1()** raises a bogus invalid floating-point exception in addition to the expected overflow exception, and returns a NaN instead of positive infinity.

Before version 2.11, the glibc implementation did not set *errno* to **ERANGE** when a range error occurred.

SEE ALSO

[exp\(3\)](#), [log\(3\)](#), [log1p\(3\)](#)

COLOPHON

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