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ABS(3) Linux Programmer's Manual **ABS(3)** 

NAME

abs, labs, llabs, imaxabs - compute the absolute value of an integer

### **SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <stdlib.h>
  int abs(int j);
  long labs(long j);
  long long llabs(long long j);
  #include <inttypes.h>
  intmax_t imaxabs(intmax_t j);
Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature_test_macros(7)):
  llabs():
    _ISOC99_SOURCE || _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L
```

# **DESCRIPTION**

The abs() function computes the absolute value of the integer argument j. The labs(), llabs(), and imaxabs() functions compute the absolute value of the argument j of the appropriate integer type for the func? tion.

## **RETURN VALUE**

Returns the absolute value of the integer argument, of the appropriate integer type for the function.

### **ATTRIBUTES**

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

tributes(7).

?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

?abs(), labs(), ? Thread safety ? MT-Safe ?

?llabs(), imaxabs() ? ? ?

#### **CONFORMING TO**

POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008, C99, SVr4, 4.3BSD. C89 only includes the abs() and labs() functions; the functions llabs() and imaxabs() were added in C99.

#### **NOTES**

Trying to take the absolute value of the most negative integer is not defined.

The llabs() function is included in glibc since version 2.0. The imax? abs() function is included in glibc since version 2.1.1.

For Ilabs() to be declared, it may be necessary to define

\_ISOC99\_SOURCE or \_ISOC9X\_SOURCE (depending on the version of glibc)
before including any standard headers.

By default, GCC handles abs(), labs(), and (since GCC 3.0) llabs() and imaxabs() as built-in functions.

#### SEE ALSO

cabs(3), ceil(3), fabs(3), floor(3), rint(3)

## COLOPHON

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