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

## \$ man log.3

**SYNOPSIS** 

LOG(3) Linux Programmer's Manual LOG(3)

NAME

log, logf, logl - natural logarithmic function

#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

 $\parallel$  /\* Glibc versions <= 2.19: \*/ \_BSD\_SOURCE  $\parallel$  \_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 oc? curs, 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 excep? tion (FE\_DIVBYZERO) is raised.

### **ATTRIBUTES**

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