

**NAME**

**cexp**, **cexpf**, **cexpl** - complex exponential functions

**LIBRARY**

Math Library (libm, -lm)

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <complex.h>
```

*double complex*

```
cexp(double complex z);
```

*float complex*

```
cexpf(float complex z);
```

*long double complex*

```
cexpl(long double complex z);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

The **cexp**(), **cexpf**(), and **cexpl**() functions compute the complex exponential of  $z$ , also known as  $\text{cis}(z)$ .

**RETURN VALUES**

For real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , **cexp**() behaves according to Euler's formula:

$$\mathbf{cexp}(x + I*y) = (\mathbf{e}^{**x} * \cos(y)) + (I * \mathbf{e}^{**x} * \sin(y))$$

Generally speaking, infinities, zeroes and NaNs are handled as would be expected from this identity given the usual rules of floating-point arithmetic. However, care is taken to avoid generating NaNs when they are not deserved. For example, mathematically we expect that  $\mathbf{cimag}(\mathbf{cexp}(x + I*0)) = 0$  regardless of the value of  $x$ , and **cexp**() preserves this identity even if  $x$  is infinity or NaN. Likewise,  $\mathbf{cexp}(-\text{infinity} + I*y) = 0$  and  $\mathbf{creal}(\mathbf{cexp}(\text{infinity} + I*y)) = \text{infinity}$  for any  $y$  (even though the latter property is only mathematically true for representable  $y$ .) If  $y$  is not finite, the sign of the result is indeterminate.

**SEE ALSO**

complex(3), exp(3), math(3)

**STANDARDS**

The **cexp**(), **cexpf**(), and **cexpl**() functions conform to ISO/IEC 9899:1999 ("ISO C99").