The last four functions in <fenv.h> deal with the entire floating-point environment, not just the status flags or control modes. Each function returns zero if it succeeds at the operation it was asked to perform. Otherwise, it returns a nonzero value.

fegetenv

The fegetenv function attempts to retrieve the current floating-point environment from the processor and store it in the object pointed to by envp.

feholdexcept

The feholdexcept function (1) stores the current floating-point environment in the object pointed to by envp, (2) clears the floating-point status flags, and (3) attempts to install a non-stop mode—if available—for all floating-point exceptions (so that future exceptions won't cause a trap or stop).

fesetenv

The fesetenv function attempts to establish the floating-point environment represented by envp, which either points to a floating-point environment stored by a previous call of fegetenv or feholdexcept, or is equal to a floating-point environment macro such as FE_DFL_ENV. Unlike the feupdateenv function, fesetenv doesn't raise any exceptions. If a call of fegetenv is used to save the current floating-point environment, then a later call of fesetenv can restore the environment to its previous state.

feupdateenv

The feupdateenv function attempts to (1) save the currently raised floating-point exceptions, (2) install the floating-point environment pointed to by envp, and (3) raise the saved exceptions. envp either points to a floating-point environment stored by a previous call of fegetenv or feholdexcept, or is equal to a floating-point environment macro such as FE_DFL_ENV.

Q & A

Q: If the <inttypes.h> header includes the <stdint.h> header, why do we need the <stdint.h> header at all? [p. 709]

A:

The primary reason that <stdint.h> exists as a separate header is so that programs in a freestanding implementation may include it. (C99 requires conforming implementations—both hosted and freestanding—to provide the <stdint.h> header, but <inttypes.h> is required only for hosted implementations.) Even in a hosted environment, it may be advantageous to include <stdint.h> rather than <inttypes.h> to avoid defining all the macros that belong to the latter.

*Q: There are three versions of the modf function in <math.h>, so why isn't there a type-generic macro named modf? [p. 725]

A: Let's take a look at the prototypes for the three versions of modf:

```
double modf(double value, double *iptr);
float modff(float value, float *iptr);
long double modfl(long double value, long double *iptr);
```

modf is unusual in that it has a pointer parameter, and the type of the pointer isn't the same among the three versions of the function. (frexp and remquo have a

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