

NAME

cabs, cabsf, cabsl – absolute value of a complex number

LIBRARY

Math library (*libm*, *-lm*)

SYNOPSIS

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

```
double cabs(double complex z);
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float cabsf(float complex z);
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```
long double cabsl(long double complex z);
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DESCRIPTION

These functions return the absolute value of the complex number z . The result is a real number.

VERSIONS

These functions were added in glibc 2.1.

ATTRIBUTES

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see [attributes\(7\)](#).

Interface	Attribute	Value
cabs() , cabsf() , cabsl()	Thread safety	MT-Safe

STANDARDS

C99, POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008.

NOTES

The function is actually an alias for $\text{hypot}(a, b)$ (or, equivalently, $\text{sqrt}(a*a + b*b)$).

SEE ALSO

[abs\(3\)](#), [cimag\(3\)](#), [hypot\(3\)](#), [complex\(7\)](#)