

**NAME**

cos, cosf, cosl – cosine function

**LIBRARY**

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

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <math.h>
```

```
double cos(double x);
```

```
float cosf(float x);
```

```
long double cosl(long double x);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see **feature\_test\_macros(7)**):

**cosf()**, **cosl()**:

```
_ISOC99_SOURCE || _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L
```

```
|| /* Since glibc 2.19: */ _DEFAULT_SOURCE
```

```
|| /* glibc <= 2.19: */ _BSD_SOURCE || _SVID_SOURCE
```

**DESCRIPTION**

These functions return the cosine of  $x$ , where  $x$  is given in radians.

**RETURN VALUE**

On success, these functions return the cosine of  $x$ .

If  $x$  is a NaN, a NaN is returned.

If  $x$  is positive infinity or negative infinity, a domain error occurs, and a NaN 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 an infinity

*errno* is set to **EDOM** (but see **BUGS**). An invalid floating-point exception (**FE\_INVALID**) is raised.

**ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see **attributes(7)**.

Interface	Attribute	Value
<b>cos()</b> , <b>cosf()</b> , <b>cosl()</b>	Thread safety	MT-Safe

**STANDARDS**

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

The variant returning *double* also conforms to SVr4, 4.3BSD.

**BUGS**

Before glibc 2.10, the glibc implementation did not set *errno* to **EDOM** when a domain error occurred.

**SEE ALSO**

**acos(3)**, **asin(3)**, **atan(3)**, **atan2(3)**, **ccos(3)**, **sin(3)**, **sincos(3)**, **tan(3)**