
Subject: Re: exp function bug

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Andy Loughe <afl@cdc.noaa.gov> wrote:

> Robert Cannon wrote:

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>> Can anyone tell me what is going on here, or if it happens on other

>> platforms?

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>> The first time I call exp (-710.72026d0) after starting idl I get:

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>> hera:~> idl

>> IDL. Version 4.0.1 (IRIX mipseb).

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>> IDL> print, exp (-710.72026d0)

>> 2.8462073e+134

>> IDL> print, exp (-710.72026d0)

>> 2.1782760e-309

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>> This is on an sgi crimson. I get the impression the same may happen on

>> an alpha, but for a different value - it has to be -710.72026d0 on the

>> sgi: -710.72025d0 works fine.....

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> For interest's sake...

> This does not happen on a SUN SparcStation running Solaris 2.5

Doesn't happen on a Mac either.

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