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enter\_m2

Enter a Macaulay2 session

### Description

Enter a Macaulay2 session

#### Usage

```
enter_m2(port = 27436L, timeout = 10)
```

#### **Arguments**

port port for Macaulay2 socket

timeout number of seconds before aborting

#### Value

TRUE invisibly

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2 be installed and an interactive session
enter_m2()
# m2 code below
1 + 1
a = 1
а
R = QQ[t,x,y,z]
I = ideal(t^4 - x, t^3 - y, t^2 - z)
gens gb I
exit
# back in R, the variable persists using m2()
m2("a")
m2("I")
\# we can also define variables in R that persist in m2
m2("b = 5")
enter_m2()
{\tt exit}
```

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```
## End(Not run)
```

factor\_n

Factor an integer into primes

### Description

Factor an integer into primes

### Usage

```
factor_n(n, code = FALSE, ...)
factor_n.(n, code = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

```
n an integer or a polynomial code return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)
```

#### Value

a data frame with integer columns prime and power or m2-pointer referencing the factorization in M2.

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```
(integer_pointer <- m2.("218700"))</pre>
m2_name(integer_pointer)
factor_n(integer_pointer, code = TRUE)
factor_n(integer_pointer)
factor_n(3234432540)
factor_n(323443254223453)
factor_n(rpois(1, 1e4))
##### known issues
# R doesn't handle big ints well. note in the following
\mbox{\tt\#} the m2 code number is different than the supplied number
factor_n(32344325422364353453, code = TRUE)
# this can be circumvented by passing a string instead
factor_n("32344325422364353453", code = TRUE)
# but if the factors are large, R can't handle the parsing well
factor_n("32344325422364353453")
# here's a workaround:
factor_pointer <- factor_n.("32344325422364353453")</pre>
m2_meta(factor_pointer, "ext_str")
extract_factors <- function(pointer) {</pre>
  require(stringr)
  str <- m2_meta(pointer, "ext_str")</pre>
  str <- str_sub(str, 19, -2)
  str <- str_extract_all(str, "\\{[0-9]+,[0-9]+\\}")[[1]]</pre>
  str <- str_sub(str, 2, -2)
  str <- str_split(str, ",")</pre>
  df <- as.data.frame(t(simplify2array(str)))</pre>
  names(df) <- c("prime", "power")</pre>
  df
(df <- extract_factors(factor_pointer))</pre>
# using gmp (currently broken)
# factor_n("32344325422364353453", gmp = TRUE)
m2("11 * 479 * 6138607975396537")
11 * 479 * 6138607975396537
## End(Not run)
```

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### **Description**

Factor a polynomial

#### Usage

```
factor_poly(mpoly, code = FALSE)
factor_poly.(mpoly, code = FALSE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
mpoly a character parseable by mp, an mpoly object, or a pointer to a polynomial in M2 code return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)
```

#### Value

a named list with elements factor (an mpolyList object) and power, an integer vector

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2 be installed and an interactive session
##### basic usage
ring("x", "y", coefring = "QQ")
factor_poly("x^4 - y^4")
# reference function
factor_poly.("x^4 - y^4")
##### different inputs
# factor_poly accepts mpoly objects:
(p \leftarrow mp("x^4 - y^4"))
factor_poly.(p)
factor_poly(p)
mp("(x-y) (x+y) (x^2+y^2)")
##### other examples
ring("x","y", "z", coefring = "QQ")
(p \leftarrow mp("(x^2 - y) (x^2 + y) (x + y)^2 (x - z)^2"))
factor_poly.(p)
factor_poly(p)
(p \leftarrow mp("(x-1)^3 (y-1)^3"))
factor_poly.(p)
```

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```
factor_poly(p)
## End(Not run)
```

gb

Compute a Grobner basis with Macaulay2

### **Description**

Compute a Grobner basis with Macaulay2

#### Usage

```
gb(..., control = list(), raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE)
gb.(..., control = list(), raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE)
gb_(x, control = list(), raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE, ...)
gb_.(x, control = list(), raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

... ...

control a list of options, see examples

raw\_chars if TRUE, the character vector will not be parsed by mp, saving time (default:

FALSE). the down-side is that the strings must be formated for M2 use directly,

as opposed to for mp. (e.g. "x\*y+3" instead of "x y + 3")

code return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)

x a character vector of polynomials to be parsed by mp, a mpolyList object, an

ideal or pointer to an ideal

#### **Details**

gb uses nonstandard evaluation; gb\_ is the standard evaluation equivalent.

### Value

an mpolyList object of class m2\_grobner\_basis or a m2\_grobner\_basis\_pointer pointing to the same

#### See Also

```
mp, use_ring
```

gb

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
##### basic usage
# the last ring evaluated is the one used in the computation
ring("t","x","y","z", coefring = "QQ")
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")
# here's the code it's running in M2
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z", code = TRUE)
##### different versions of gb
# standard evaluation version
poly\_chars \leftarrow c("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")
gb_(poly_chars)
# reference nonstandard evaluation version
gb.("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")
# reference standard evaluation version
gb_.(poly_chars)
##### different inputs to gb
# ideals can be passed to gb
I \leftarrow ideal("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")
gb_{I}(I)
# note that gb() works here, too, since there is only one input
gb(I)
# ideal pointers can be passed to gb
I. <- ideal.("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")
gb_(I.)
# setting raw_chars is a bit faster, because it doesn't use ideal()
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z", raw_chars = TRUE, code = TRUE)
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z", raw_chars = TRUE)
##### more advanced usage
# the control argument accepts a named list with additional
```

## End(Not run)

ideal

Create a new ideal in Macaulay2

### Description

Create a new ideal in Macaulay2

### Usage

```
ideal(..., raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE)
ideal.(..., raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE)
ideal_(x, raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE, ...)
ideal_.(x, raw_chars = FALSE, code = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_ideal'
print(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'm2 ideal list'
   print(x, ...)
    radical(ideal, ring, code = FALSE, ...)
    radical.(ideal, ring, code = FALSE, ...)
    saturate(I, J, code = FALSE, ...)
    saturate.(I, J, code = FALSE, ...)
    quotient(I, J, code = FALSE, ...)
   quotient.(I, J, code = FALSE, ...)
   primary_decomposition(ideal, code = FALSE, ...)
   primary_decomposition.(ideal, code = FALSE, ...)
   dimension(ideal, code = FALSE, ...)
   ## S3 method for class 'm2_ideal'
    e1 + e2
   ## S3 method for class 'm2_ideal'
    e1 * e2
   ## S3 method for class 'm2_ideal'
    e1 == e2
   ## S3 method for class 'm2_ideal'
    e1 ^ e2
Arguments
    raw_chars
                    if TRUE, the character vector will not be parsed by mp, saving time (default:
                    FALSE). the down-side is that the strings must be formated for M2 use directly,
                    as opposed to for mp. (e.g. "x*y+3" instead of "x y + 3")
    code
                    return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)
```

a listing of polynomials. several formats are accepted, see examples.

an ideal object of class m2\_ideal or m2\_ideal\_pointer

the referent ring in Macaulay2

ideals for arithmetic

ideals or objects parsable into ideals

### Value

x ideal

ring I, J

e1, e2

a reference to a Macaulay2 ideal

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
##### basic usage
ring("x", "y", coefring = "QQ")
ideal("x + y", "x^2 + y^2")
##### different versions of gb
# standard evaluation version
poly_chars <- c("x + y", "x^2 + y^2")
ideal_(poly_chars)
# reference nonstandard evaluation version
ideal.("x + y", "x^2 + y^2")
# reference standard evaluation version
ideal_.(poly_chars)
##### different inputs to gb
ideal_{(x + y'', x^2 + y^2'')}
ideal_(mp(c("x + y", "x^2 + y^2")))
ideal_(list("x + y", "x^2 + y^2"))
##### predicate functions
I <- ideal ("x + y", "x^2 + y^2") 
I. <- ideal.("x + y", "x^2 + y^2")
is.m2_ideal(I)
is.m2_ideal(I.)
is.m2_ideal_pointer(I)
is.m2_ideal_pointer(I.)
##### ideal radical
I \leftarrow ideal("(x^2 + 1)^2 y", "y + 1")
radical(I)
radical.(I)
```

```
##### ideal dimension
I \leftarrow ideal_(c("(x^2 + 1)^2 y", "y + 1"))
dimension(I)
# dimension of a line
ring("x", "y", coefring = "QQ")
I <- ideal("y - (x+1)")
dimension(I)
# dimension of a plane
ring("x", "y", "z", coefring = "QQ")
I <- ideal("z - (x+y+1)")</pre>
dimension(I)
##### ideal quotients and saturation
ring("x", "y", "z", coefring = "QQ")
(I <- ideal("x^2", "y^4", "z + 1"))
(J <- ideal("x^6"))
quotient(I, J)
quotient.(I, J)
saturate(I)
saturate.(I)
saturate(I, J)
saturate(I, mp("x"))
saturate(I, "x")
ring("x", "y", coefring = "QQ")
saturate(ideal("x y"), "x^2")
# saturation removes parts of varieties
# solution over R is x = -1, 0, 1
ring("x", coefring = "QQ")
I \leftarrow ideal("(x-1) x (x+1)")
saturate(I, "x") # remove x = 0 from solution
ideal("(x-1) (x+1)")
##### primary decomposition
ring("x", "y", "z", coefring = "QQ")
I \leftarrow ideal("(x^2 + 1) (x^2 + 2)", "y + 1")
primary_decomposition(I)
primary_decomposition.(I)
```

is is

```
I \leftarrow ideal("x (x + 1)", "y")
primary_decomposition(I)
# variety = z axis union x-y plane
(I <- ideal("x z", "y z"))
dimension(I) # = max dimension of irreducible components</pre>
(Is <- primary_decomposition(I))</pre>
dimension(Is)
##### ideal arithmetic
ring("x", "y", "z", coefring = "RR")
# sums (cox et al., 184)
(I \leftarrow ideal("x^2 + y"))
(J <- ideal("z"))
I + J
# products (cox et al., 185)
(I <- ideal("x", "y"))
(J <- ideal("z"))
I * J
# equality
(I <- ideal("x", "y"))
(J <- ideal("z"))
I == J
I == I
# powers
(I <- ideal("x", "y"))
I^3
## End(Not run)
```

Macaulay2 object tests

## Description

is

Predicate functions for Macaulay2 objects.

#### Usage

```
is.m2(x)
is.m2_pointer(x)
is.ring(x)
```

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```
is.m2_polynomialring(x)
is.m2_polynomialring_pointer(x)
is.m2_grobner_basis(x)
is.m2_ideal(x)
is.m2_ideal_pointer(x)
is.m2_ideal_list(x)
is.m2_ideal_list_pointer(x)
is.m2_ideal_list_pointer(x)
is.m2_module(x)
is.m2_module(x)
is.m2_matrix(x)
is.m2_matrix_pointer(x)
is.m2_list(x)
is.m2_array(x)
is.m2_sequence(x)
```

### Arguments

x an object

### Value

logical(1)

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
R <- ring(c("x1", "x2", "x3"))
is.m2(R)
is.ring(R)
is.ring(10)
is.ring(mp("x+1"))
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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m2r

Macaulay2 in R

#### **Description**

Back-end connections to Macaulay2 (http://www.math.uiuc.edu/Macaulay2/)

m2\_call

Call and reset a Macaulay2 process

### Description

Call and reset a Macaulay2 process

#### Usage

```
m2r_version_number()
start_m2(port = 27436L, timeout = 10, attempts = 10, cloud = FALSE,
  hostname = m2r_cloud_url())
stop_m2()
reset_m2(port = 27436L, timeout = 10, attempts = 10,
  hostname = "ec2-52-10-66-241.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com")
m2(code, timeout = -1)
m2.(code, timeout = -1)
## S3 method for class 'm2_pointer'
print(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

port port for Macaulay2 socket

timeout number of seconds before aborting

attempts numer of times to try to make connection

cloud use a cloud?

hostname the remote host to connect to; defaults to the Amazon EC2 instance

code Macaulay2 code

x formal argument for print method

...

#### Value

m2 return value

m2\_matrix

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
m2("1 + 1")
m2.("1 + 1")
m2("factor 32004")
\# run a chunk of m2 code, only pulling the end value back into R
m2("
 R = QQ[a..d]
 I = ideal(a^3-b^2*c, b*c^2-c*d^2, c^3)
 G = gens gb I
# illustrate the persistent connection
m2("a = 1 + 1")
m2("a")
reset_m2()
m2("a")
m2.("peek(QQ[x,y,z])")
m2("peek(QQ[x,y,z])")
# m2 returns in its ext_str position the result of running
\mbox{\tt\#} to
ExternalString on the return value of the chunk of code
\mbox{\tt\#} you run. in principle, to
ExternalString provides the code
# needed to recreate the m2 object of interest. however,
\mbox{\tt\#} does not work for all objects represtable in the m2 language.
\# in particular, mutable objects are not supported.
# this is what happens when you look at those:
m2.("new MutableList from {1,2,3}")
m2("new MutableList from {1,2,3}")
## End(Not run)
```

m2\_matrix

Create a new matrix in Macaulay2

#### **Description**

Create a new matrix in Macaulay2

### Usage

```
m2_matrix(mat, ring, name, code = FALSE)
m2_matrix.(mat, ring, name, code = FALSE)
m2_numrows(x, code = FALSE, ...)
```

m2\_matrix

```
m2_numcols(x, code = FALSE, ...)
m2_length(x, code = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_matrix'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_image'
print(x, ...)
m2_kernel(mat, name, code = FALSE)
m2_kernel.(mat, name, code = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

mat a matrix

ring a ring containing the matrix entries

name the m2\_name of the object, which is it's name on the M2 side

code return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)

x formal argument for print method

...

#### Value

a reference to a Macaulay2 ring

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
##### basic usage
(mat <- m2\_matrix(matrix(c(1,2,3,4,5,6), nrow = 3, ncol = 2))
m2_matrix(matrix(c(1,2,3,4,5,6), nrow = 3, ncol = 2))
m2_name(mat)
m2(m2_name(mat))
m2(sprintf("class(%s)", m2_name(mat)))
(mat \leftarrow m2\_matrix.(matrix(c(1,2,3,4,5,6), nrow = 3, ncol = 2)))
##### known issues
ring("x", "y", "z", coefring = "QQ")
 \label{eq:matrix} \text{matrix}( \text{mp}(\text{c}("x","y","x+y","y-2","x-3","y-z")), \text{ nrow = 2, ncol = 3)} 
m2_matrix(mat, code = TRUE)
m2_matrix(mat)
# the above is an mpoly problem, not a m2r problem
# mpoly does not have a data structure for matrices (as of 12/2016)
```

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```
mat_chars <- sapply(m2_matrix(mat), print, silent = TRUE)
dim(mat_chars) <- c(2, 3)
mat_chars

m2_numrows(mat)
m2_numcols(mat)
m2_parse(mat)

(mat <- m2_matrix(matrix(c(1,2),nrow=1)))
m2_kernel(mat)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

m2\_parser

Convert a M2 object into an R object

#### **Description**

Convert a M2 object into an R object

#### Usage

```
m2_parse(s)
## S3 method for class 'm2_integer'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_float'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_complex'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_string'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_boolean'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_list'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_array'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_sequence'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'm2_symbol'
print(x, ...)
```

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```
## S3 method for class 'm2_option'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'm2_hashtable'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'm2_module'
print(x, ...)

m2_toggle_gmp()
get_m2_gmp()
```

#### **Arguments**

```
s a character(1), typically the result of running toExternalString on an M2 object x an object to be printed ... ...
```

#### Value

an R object

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
m2("1+1")
m2.("1+1")
m2_parse(m2.("1+1"))
m2("QQ[x,y]")
m2.("QQ[x,y]")
m2_parse(m2.("QQ[x,y]"))
get_m2_gmp()
m2("3/2") %>% m2_parse()
m2_toggle_gmp() # gmp on
m2("3/2") %>% m2_parse()
m2("6/4") %>% m2_parse()
m2("3345234524352435432/223454325235432524352433245") %>% m2_parse()
m2\_toggle\_gmp() # gmp off
m2("50!") %>% m2_parse()
m2\_toggle\_gmp() # gmp on
m2("50!") %>% m2_parse()
m2_toggle_gmp() # gmp off
## End(Not run)
```

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m2\_path

Set path to Macaulay2 (M2)

#### **Description**

This function sets the path to external programs either by (1) passing it a character string or (2) using file.choose.

### Usage

```
set_m2_path(path = NULL)
get_m2_path()
get_m2_con()
get_m2_procid()
get_m2_port()
```

#### **Arguments**

path

A character string, the path to M2

#### **Details**

When m2r is loaded it attempts to find M2. How it looks depends on your operating system.

If you're using a Mac or Linux machine, it looks based on your system's path. Unfortunately, R changes the system path in such a way that the path that R sees is not the same as the path that you'd see if you were working in the terminal. (You can open the Terminal app on a Mac by going to /Applications/Utilities/Terminal.) Consequently, m2r tries to guess the file in which your path is set. To do so, it first checks if your home directory (type echo ~/ in the terminal to figure out which directory this is if you don't know) for the file named .bash\_profile. If this file is present, it runs it and then checks your system's path variable (echo \$PATH). If it's not present, it does the same for .bashrc and then .profile. In any case, once it has its best guess at your path, it looks for "M2".

On Windows, m2r just defaults to the cloud implementation. Local M2 instances are not currently supported on Windows.

#### Value

An invisible character string, the path found. More importantly, the function has the side effect of setting the global m2r option "m2\_path"

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
getOption("m2r")
get_m2_path()
set_m2_path()
## each of these functions can be used statically as well
(m2\_path \leftarrow get\_m2\_path())
set_m2_path("/path/to/m2/directory")
get_m2_path()
set_m2_path(m2_path) # undoes example
# if you'd like to use the cloud, after you library(m2r)
\# and before you use m2() type
set_m2_path(NULL)
# alternatively, if you have already been using m2, do:
stop_m2()
set_m2_path(NULL)
m2("1+1")
## End(Not run)
```

m2\_utility

Utility tools for M2

### Description

Utility tools for M2

### Usage

```
m2_name(x)
m2_name(x) <- value
m2_meta(x, m2_attr)
m2_meta(x, m2_attr) <- value
m2_structure(x = NA, m2_name, m2_class, m2_meta, base_class)
m2_exists(name)
m2_ls(all.names = FALSE)</pre>
```

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```
m2_rm(name)
m2_getwd()
```

#### Arguments

an object of class m2 Χ the value to assign value the name of an M2 attribute m2\_attr m2\_name m2\_name M2 attribute m2\_class m2\_class M2 attribute  $m2\_meta\ M2\ attribute$  $m2\_meta$ base\_class a base class; an R class to use for dispatching if there is no relevant method for the other classes (e.g. m2) a string; the name of a M2 object name if TRUE, all registered Macaulay2 variables, including ones internally used by all.names m2r, will be returned

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
m2("a = 5")
m2_ls()
m2_exists("a")
m2("b = 1")
m2_exists(c("a","b","c"))
m2_getwd()
x <- 1
class(x) <- "m2"
attr(x, "m2\_meta") \leftarrow list(a = 1, b = 2)
m2_meta(x)
m2_meta(x, "b")
m2_meta(x, "b") <- 5
m2_meta(x, "b")
# R <- ring(c("x1", "x2", "x3"))
# m2_name(R)
# m2(sprintf("class %s", m2_name(R)))
# m2_1s()
# m2_rm(m2_name(R))
# m2_1s()
# m2(paste("class", m2_name(R)))
m2_ls()
m2_ls(all.names = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

phc phc

phc PHCpack

### Description

Call PHCpack to solve a zero-dimensional system

### Usage

```
solve_system(mpolyList)
solve_system.(mpolyList)
mixed_volume(mpolyList)
```

#### **Arguments**

mpolyList An mpolyList object

#### **Details**

Note that solve\_system() doesn't take in an input ring because the solver only works over the complex numbers.

### Value

```
(currently) the output of an m2() call (string?)
```

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
# for this to work, you need to have modified your
# init-PHCpack.m2 file instead of changing your .bashrc
# file to establish the path of phc
# (**clarify**, maybe checkout algstat::polySolve)

(mpolyList <- mp(c("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z", "x+y+z")))
solve_system(mpolyList)
mixed_volume(mpolyList)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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ring

Create a new ring in Macaulay2

#### **Description**

Create a new ring in Macaulay2

#### Usage

```
ring(..., coefring = m2_coefrings(), order = m2_termorders(),
    code = FALSE)

ring.(..., coefring = m2_coefrings(), order = m2_termorders(),
    code = FALSE)

ring_(vars, coefring = m2_coefrings(), order = m2_termorders(),
    code = FALSE, ...)

ring_.(vars, coefring = m2_coefrings(), order = m2_termorders(),
    code = FALSE, ...)

m2_coefrings()

m2_termorders()

## S3 method for class 'm2_polynomialring'
print(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

coefring coefficient ring (default: "CC")
order a term order (default: "grevlex")
code return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)
vars vector of variable names
x formal argument for print method

#### Value

a reference to a Macaulay2 ring

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snf

Smith normal form

### Description

For an integer matrix M, this computes the matrices D, P, and Q such that D = PMQ, which can be seen as an analogue of the singular value decomposition. All are integer matrices, and P and Q are unimodular (have determinants +- 1).

### Usage

```
snf(mat, code = FALSE)
snf.(mat, code = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

```
mat a matrix (integer entries)
code return only the M2 code? (default: FALSE)
```

#### Value

```
a list of integer matrices D, P, and Q
```

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
##### basic usage
M <- matrix(c(
  2, 4, 4,
  -6, 6, 12,
 10, -4, -16
), nrow = 3, byrow = TRUE)
snf(M)
(mats <- snf(M))</pre>
P \leftarrow mats\P; D \leftarrow mats\D; Q \leftarrow mats\Q
                           # = D
P %*% M %*% Q
solve(P) %*% D %*% solve(Q) # = M
det(P)
det(Q)
M <- matrix(c(</pre>
    1, 2, 3,
1, 34, 45,
  2213, 1123, 6543,
    0, 0, 0
), nrow = 4, byrow = TRUE)
(mats <- snf(M))</pre>
P \leftarrow mats$P; D \leftarrow mats$D; Q \leftarrow mats$Q
P %*% M %*% Q
                           # = D
##### other options
snf.(M)
snf(M, code = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

str\_m2

Give the structure of a Macaulay2 ring

#### **Description**

Give the structure of a Macaulay2 ring

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#### Usage

```
str_m2(object, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
object An m2 object ...
```

#### Value

Invisible the object passed in.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: requires Macaulay2
a <- m2("1")
R <- ring(c("x1", "x2", "x3"))
str_m2(R)
str_m2.default(R)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

use\_ring

Set Macaulay2 ring

### Description

use\_ring() sets the default referent ring on the Macaulay2 side using the use function.

#### Usage

```
use_ring(ring)
```

### Arguments

ring

a m2\_ring (ring), m2\_ring\_pointer (ring.), or a character string containing the name of a ring in Macaulay2

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```
factor_poly("x^4 + 1")

QQtxyz <- ring("t","x","y","z", coefring = "QQ")
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")

ring("x", "y", "z", "t", coefring = "QQ")
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")

use_ring(QQtxyz)
gb("t^4 - x", "t^3 - y", "t^2 - z")

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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