
Sage Reference Manual: Standard Commutative Rings

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INTEGERS

1.1 Ring \mathbb{Z} of Integers

The `IntegerRing_class` represents the ring \mathbb{Z} of (arbitrary precision) integers. Each integer is an instance of `Integer`, which is defined in a Pyrex extension module that wraps GMP integers (the `mpz_t` type in GMP).

```
sage: Z = IntegerRing(); Z
Integer Ring
sage: Z.characteristic()
0
sage: Z.is_field()
False
```

There is a unique instance of the `integer ring`. To create an `Integer`, coerce either a Python int, long, or a string. Various other types will also coerce to the integers, when it makes sense.

```
sage: a = Z(1234); b = Z(5678); print a, b
1234 5678
sage: type(a)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: a + b
6912
sage: Z('94803849083985934859834583945394')
94803849083985934859834583945394
```

```
sage.rings.integer_ring.IntegerRing()
Return the integer ring.
```

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: IntegerRing()
Integer Ring
sage: ZZ==IntegerRing()
True
```

```
class sage.rings.integer_ring.IntegerRing_class
Bases: sage.rings.ring.PrincipalIdealDomain
```

The ring of integers.

In order to introduce the ring \mathbb{Z} of integers, we illustrate creation, calling a few functions, and working with its elements.

```
sage: Z = IntegerRing(); Z
Integer Ring
sage: Z.characteristic()
```

```
0
sage: Z.is_field()
False
sage: Z.category()
Join of Category of euclidean domains
      and Category of infinite enumerated sets
      and Category of metric spaces
sage: Z(2^(2^5) + 1)
4294967297
```

One can give strings to create integers. Strings starting with `0x` are interpreted as hexadecimal, and strings starting with `0o` are interpreted as octal:

```
sage: parent('37')
<type 'str'>
sage: parent(Z('37'))
Integer Ring
sage: Z('0x10')
16
sage: Z('0x1a')
26
sage: Z('0o20')
16
```

As an inverse to `digits()`, lists of digits are accepted, provided that you give a base. The lists are interpreted in little-endian order, so that entry `i` of the list is the coefficient of base^i :

```
sage: Z([4, 1, 7], base=100)
70104
sage: Z([4, 1, 7], base=10)
714
sage: Z([3, 7], 10)
73
sage: Z([3, 7], 9)
66
sage: Z([], 10)
0
```

Alphanumeric strings can be used for bases 2..36; letters a to z represent numbers 10 to 36. Letter case does not matter.

```
sage: Z("sage", base=32)
928270
sage: Z("SAGE", base=32)
928270
sage: Z("Sage", base=32)
928270
sage: Z([14, 16, 10, 28], base=32)
928270
sage: 14 + 16*32 + 10*32^2 + 28*32^3
928270
```

We next illustrate basic arithmetic in \mathbb{Z} :

```
sage: a = Z(1234); b = Z(5678); print a, b
1234 5678
sage: type(a)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: a + b
6912
```

```

sage: b + a
6912
sage: a * b
7006652
sage: b * a
7006652
sage: a - b
-4444
sage: b - a
4444

```

When we divide two integers using `/`, the result is automatically coerced to the field of rational numbers, even if the result is an integer.

```

sage: a / b
617/2839
sage: type(a/b)
<type 'sage.rings.rational.Rational'>
sage: a/a
1
sage: type(a/a)
<type 'sage.rings.rational.Rational'>

```

For floor division, use the `//` operator instead:

```

sage: a // b
0
sage: type(a//b)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>

```

Next we illustrate arithmetic with automatic coercion. The types that coerce are: `str`, `int`, `long`, `Integer`.

```

sage: a + 17
1251
sage: a * 374
461516
sage: 374 * a
461516
sage: a/19
1234/19
sage: 0 + Z(-64)
-64

```

Integers can be coerced:

```

sage: a = Z(-64)
sage: int(a)
-64

```

We can create integers from several types of objects:

```

sage: Z(17/1)
17
sage: Z(Mod(19, 23))
19
sage: Z(2 + 3*5 + O(5^3))
17

```

Arbitrary numeric bases are supported; strings or list of integers are used to provide the digits (more details in `IntegerRing_class`):

```
sage: Z("sage",base=32)
928270
sage: Z([14, 16, 10, 28],base=32)
928270
```

The `digits` method allows you to get the list of digits of an integer in a different basis (note that the digits are returned in little-endian order):

```
sage: b = Z([4,1,7],base=100)
sage: b
70104
sage: b.digits(base=71)
[27, 64, 13]

sage: Z(15).digits(2)
[1, 1, 1, 1]
sage: Z(15).digits(3)
[0, 2, 1]
```

The `str` method returns a string of the digits, using letters a to z to represent digits 10..36:

```
sage: Z(928270).str(base=32)
'sage'
```

Note that `str` only works with bases 2 through 36.

TESTS:

```
sage: TestSuite(ZZ).run()
sage: list(ZZ)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
NotImplementedError: len() of an infinite set
```

`absolute_degree()`

Return the absolute degree of the integers, which is 1.

Here, absolute degree refers to the rank of the ring as a module over the integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.absolute_degree()
1
```

`characteristic()`

Return the characteristic of the integers, which is 0.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.characteristic()
0
```

`completion(p, prec, extras={})`

Return the completion of the integers at the prime p .

INPUT:

- `p` – a prime (or infinity)
- `prec` – the desired precision
- `extras` – any further parameters to pass to the method used to create the completion.

OUTPUT:

- The completion of \mathbb{Z} at p .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.completion(infinity, 53)
Real Field with 53 bits of precision
sage: ZZ.completion(5, 15, {'print_mode': 'bars'})
5-adic Ring with capped relative precision 15
```

degree()

Return the degree of the integers, which is 1.

Here, degree refers to the rank of the ring as a module over the integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.degree()
1
```

extension (*poly, names=None, embedding=None*)

Return the order generated by the specified list of polynomials.

INPUT:

- poly* – a list of one or more polynomials
- names* – a parameter which will be passed to `EquationOrder()`.
- embedding* – a parameter which will be passed to `EquationOrder()`.

OUTPUT:

- Given a single polynomial as input, return the order generated by a root of the polynomial in the field generated by a root of the polynomial.

Given a list of polynomials as input, return the relative order generated by a root of the first polynomial in the list, over the order generated by the roots of the subsequent polynomials.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.extension(x^2-5, 'a')
Order in Number Field in a with defining polynomial x^2 - 5
sage: ZZ.extension([x^2 + 1, x^2 + 2], 'a,b')
Relative Order in Number Field in a with defining polynomial
x^2 + 1 over its base field
```

fraction_field()

Return the field of rational numbers - the fraction field of the integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.fraction_field()
Rational Field
sage: ZZ.fraction_field() == QQ
True
```

gen (*n=0*)

Return the additive generator of the integers, which is 1.

INPUT:

- n* (default: 0) – In a ring with more than one generator, the optional parameter *n* indicates which generator to return; since there is only one generator in this case, the only valid value for *n* is 0.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.gen()
1
sage: type(ZZ.gen())
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

gens()

Return the tuple $(1,)$ containing a single element, the additive generator of the integers, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.gens(); ZZ.gens()[0]
(1,)
1
sage: type(ZZ.gens()[0])
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

is_field(*proof=True*)

Return False since the integers are not a field.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.is_field()
False
```

is_finite()

Return False since the integers are an infinite ring.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.is_finite()
False
```

is_integrally_closed()

Return that the integer ring is, in fact, integrally closed.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.is_integrally_closed()
True
```

is_noetherian()

Return True since the integers are a Noetherian ring.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.is_noetherian()
True
```

is_subring(*other*)

Return True if \mathbf{Z} is a subring of *other* in a natural way.

Every ring of characteristic 0 contains \mathbf{Z} as a subring.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.is_subring(QQ)
True
```

krull_dimension()

Return the Krull dimension of the integers, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.krull_dimension()
1
```

ngens()

Return the number of additive generators of the ring, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.ngens()
1
sage: len(ZZ.gens())
1
```

order()

Return the order (cardinality) of the integers, which is +Infinity.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.order()
+Infinity
```

parameter()

Return an integer of degree 1 for the Euclidean property of \mathbb{Z} , namely 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.parameter()
1
```

quotient(I, names=None)

Return the quotient of \mathbb{Z} by the ideal or integer I .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.quo(6*ZZ)
Ring of integers modulo 6
sage: ZZ.quo(0*ZZ)
Integer Ring
sage: ZZ.quo(3)
Ring of integers modulo 3
sage: ZZ.quo(3*QQ)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: I must be an ideal of ZZ
```

random_element(x=None, y=None, distribution=None)

Return a random integer.

INPUT:

- x, y integers – bounds for the result.

- **distribution** – a string:

- 'uniform'
- 'mpz_rrandomb'
- '1/n'
- 'gaussian'

OUTPUT:

- With no input, return a random integer.

If only one integer x is given, return an integer between 0 and $x - 1$.

If two integers are given, return an integer between x and $y - 1$ inclusive.

If at least one bound is given, the default distribution is the uniform distribution; otherwise, it is the distribution described below.

If the distribution ' $1/n$ ' is specified, the bounds are ignored.

If the distribution '`mpz_rrandomb`' is specified, the output is in the range from 0 to $2^x - 1$.

If the distribution '`gaussian`' is specified, the output is sampled from a discrete Gaussian distribution with parameter $\sigma = x$ and centered at zero. That is, the integer v is returned with probability proportional to $\exp(-v^2/(2\sigma^2))$. See `sage.stats.distributions.discrete_gaussian_integer` for details. Note that if many samples from the same discrete Gaussian distribution are needed, it is faster to construct a `sage.stats.distributions.discrete_gaussian_integer.DiscreteGaussianDistribution` object which is then repeatedly queried.

The default distribution for `ZZ.random_element()` is based on $X = \text{trunc}(4/(5R))$, where R is a random variable uniformly distributed between -1 and 1 . This gives $\Pr(X = 0) = 1/5$, and $\Pr(X = n) = 2/(5|n|(|n| + 1))$ for $n \neq 0$. Most of the samples will be small; -1 , 0 , and 1 occur with probability $1/5$ each. But we also have a small but non-negligible proportion of “outliers”; $\Pr(|X| \geq n) = 4/(5n)$, so for instance, we expect that $|X| \geq 1000$ on one in 1250 samples.

We actually use an easy-to-compute truncation of the above distribution; the probabilities given above hold fairly well up to about $|n| = 10000$, but around $|n| = 30000$ some values will never be returned at all, and we will never return anything greater than 2^{30} .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: [ZZ.random_element() for _ in range(10)]
[-8, 2, 0, 0, 1, -1, 2, 1, -95, -1]
```

The default uniform distribution is integers in $[-2, 2]$:

```
sage: [ZZ.random_element(distribution="uniform") for _ in range(10)]
[2, -2, 2, -2, -1, 1, -1, 2, 1, 0]
```

Here we use the distribution ' $1/n$ ':

```
sage: [ZZ.random_element(distribution="1/n") for _ in range(10)]
[-6, 1, -1, 1, 1, -1, 1, -1, -3, 1]
```

If a range is given, the default distribution is uniform in that range:

```
sage: ZZ.random_element(-10, 10)
-2
sage: ZZ.random_element(10)
2
sage: ZZ.random_element(10^50)
9531604786291536727294723328622110901973365898988
sage: [ZZ.random_element(5) for _ in range(10)]
[3, 1, 2, 3, 0, 0, 3, 4, 0, 3]
```

Notice that the right endpoint is not included:

```
sage: [ZZ.random_element(-2, 2) for _ in range(10)]
[1, -2, -2, -1, -2, -1, -1, -2, 0, -2]
```

We compute a histogram over 1000 samples of the default distribution:

```
sage: from collections import defaultdict
sage: d = defaultdict(lambda: 0)
sage: for _ in range(1000):
...     samp = ZZ.random_element()
...     d[samp] = d[samp] + 1

sage: sorted(d.items())
[(-1955, 1), (-1026, 1), (-357, 1), (-248, 1), (-145, 1), (-81, 1), (-80, 1), (-79, 1), (-75,
```

We return a sample from a discrete Gaussian distribution:

```
sage: ZZ.random_element(11.0, distribution="gaussian")
5
```

range (*start*, *end*=None, *step*=None)

Optimized range function for Sage integers.

AUTHORS:

- Robert Bradshaw (2007-09-20)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ.range(10)
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
sage: ZZ.range(-5,5)
[-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
sage: ZZ.range(0,50,5)
[0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45]
sage: ZZ.range(0,50,-5)
[]
sage: ZZ.range(50,0,-5)
[50, 45, 40, 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 5]
sage: ZZ.range(50,0,5)
[]
sage: ZZ.range(50,-1,-5)
[50, 45, 40, 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 5, 0]
```

It uses different code if the step doesn't fit in a long:

```
sage: ZZ.range(0,2^83,2^80)
[0, 1208925819614629174706176, 2417851639229258349412352, 3626777458843887524118528, 4835703
```

Make sure [trac ticket #8818](#) is fixed:

```
sage: ZZ.range(1r, 10r)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

residue_field (*prime*, *check*=True)

Return the residue field of the integers modulo the given prime, i.e. $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.

INPUT:

- prime - a prime number
- check - (boolean, default True) whether or not to check the primality of prime.

OUTPUT: The residue field at this prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = ZZ.residue_field(61); F
Residue field of Integers modulo 61
sage: pi = F.reduction_map(); pi
Partially defined reduction map:
  From: Rational Field
  To:   Residue field of Integers modulo 61
sage: pi(123/234)
6
sage: pi(1/61)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: Cannot reduce rational 1/61 modulo 61:
it has negative valuation
sage: lift = F.lift_map(); lift
Lifting map:
  From: Residue field of Integers modulo 61
  To:   Integer Ring
sage: lift(F(12345/67890))
33
sage: (12345/67890) % 61
33
```

Construction can be from a prime ideal instead of a prime:

```
sage: ZZ.residue_field(ZZ.ideal(97))
Residue field of Integers modulo 97
```

TESTS:

```
sage: ZZ.residue_field(ZZ.ideal(96))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: Principal ideal (96) of Integer Ring is not prime
sage: ZZ.residue_field(96)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: 96 is not prime
```

zeta ($n=2$)

Return a primitive n -th root of unity in the integers, or raise an error if none exists.

INPUT:

- n – (default 2) a positive integer

OUTPUT:

- an n -th root of unity in \mathbb{Z} .

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: ZZ.zeta()
-1
sage: ZZ.zeta(1)
1
sage: ZZ.zeta(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no nth root of unity in integer ring
sage: ZZ.zeta(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
ValueError: n must be positive in zeta()
```

```
sage.rings.integer_ring.crt_basis(X, xgcd=None)
```

Compute and return a Chinese Remainder Theorem basis for the list X of coprime integers.

INPUT:

- X – a list of Integers that are coprime in pairs.
- $xgcd$ – an optional parameter which is ignored.

OUTPUT:

- E - a list of Integers such that $E[i] \equiv 1 \pmod{X[i]}$ and $E[i] \equiv 0 \pmod{X[j]}$ for all $j \neq i$.

For this explanation, let $E[i]$ be denoted by E_i .

The E_i have the property that if A is a list of objects, e.g., integers, vectors, matrices, etc., where A_i is understood modulo X_i , then a CRT lift of A is simply

$$\sum_i E_i A_i.$$

ALGORITHM: To compute E_i , compute integers s and t such that

$$sX_i + t \prod_{j \neq i} X_j = 1.$$

Then

$$E_i = t \prod_{j \neq i} X_j.$$

Notice that equation (*) implies that E_i is congruent to 1 modulo X_i and to 0 modulo the other X_j for $j \neq i$.

COMPLEXITY: We compute $\text{len}(X)$ extended GCD's.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: X = [11, 20, 31, 51]
sage: E = crt_basis([11, 20, 31, 51])
sage: E[0]%X[0], E[1]%X[0], E[2]%X[0], E[3]%X[0]
(1, 0, 0, 0)
sage: E[0]%X[1], E[1]%X[1], E[2]%X[1], E[3]%X[1]
(0, 1, 0, 0)
sage: E[0]%X[2], E[1]%X[2], E[2]%X[2], E[3]%X[2]
(0, 0, 1, 0)
sage: E[0]%X[3], E[1]%X[3], E[2]%X[3], E[3]%X[3]
(0, 0, 0, 1)
```

```
sage.rings.integer_ring.is_IntegerRing(x)
```

Internal function: return True iff x is the ring \mathbb{Z} of integers.

TESTS:

```
sage: from sage.rings.integer_ring import is_IntegerRing
sage: is_IntegerRing(ZZ)
True
sage: is_IntegerRing(QQ)
False
sage: is_IntegerRing(parent(3))
True
```

```
sage: is_IntegerRing(parent(1/3))
False
```

1.2 Elements of the ring \mathbb{Z} of integers

AUTHORS:

- William Stein (2005): initial version
- Gonzalo Tornaria (2006-03-02): vastly improved python/GMP conversion; hashing
- Didier Deshommes (2006-03-06): numerous examples and docstrings
- William Stein (2006-03-31): changes to reflect GMP bug fixes
- William Stein (2006-04-14): added GMP factorial method (since it's now very fast).
- David Harvey (2006-09-15): added `nth_root`, `exact_log`
- David Harvey (2006-09-16): attempt to optimise Integer constructor
- Rishikesh (2007-02-25): changed `quo_rem` so that the rem is positive
- David Harvey, Martin Albrecht, Robert Bradshaw (2007-03-01): optimized Integer constructor and pool
- Pablo De Napoli (2007-04-01): `multiplicative_order` should return +infinity for non zero numbers
- Robert Bradshaw (2007-04-12): `is_perfect_power`, Jacobi symbol (with Kronecker extension). Convert some methods to use GMP directly rather than PARI, `Integer()`, `PY_NEW(Integer)`
- David Roe (2007-03-21): sped up valuation and `is_square`, added `val_unit`, `is_power`, `is_power_of` and `divide_knowing_divisible_by`
- Robert Bradshaw (2008-03-26): gamma function, multifactorials
- Robert Bradshaw (2008-10-02): bounded squarefree part
- David Loeffler (2011-01-15): fixed bug #10625 (`inverse_mod` should accept an ideal as argument)
- Vincent Delecroix (2010-12-28): added unicode in `Integer.__init__`
- David Roe (2012-03): deprecate `is_power()` in favour of `is_perfect_power()` (see [trac ticket #12116](#))

EXAMPLES:

Add 2 integers:

```
sage: a = Integer(3) ; b = Integer(4)
sage: a + b == 7
True
```

Add an integer and a real number:

```
sage: a + 4.0
7.000000000000000
```

Add an integer and a rational number:

```
sage: a + Rational(2)/5
17/5
```

Add an integer and a complex number:


```
sage: b = ComplexField().0 + 1.5
sage: loads((a+b).dumps()) == a+b
True
```

```
sage: z = 32
sage: -z
-32
sage: z = 0; -z
0
sage: z = -0; -z
0
sage: z = -1; -z
1
```

Multiplication:

```
sage: a = Integer(3) ; b = Integer(4)
sage: a * b == 12
True
sage: loads((a * 4.0).dumps()) == a*b
True
sage: a * Rational(2)/5
6/5
```

```
sage: list([2,3]) * 4
[2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3]
```

```
sage: 'sage'*Integer(3)
'sagesagesage'
```

COERCIONS:

Returns version of this integer in the multi-precision floating real field R:

```
sage: n = 9390823
sage: RR = RealField(200)
sage: RR(n)
9.3908230000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000e6
```

```
sage.rings.integer.GCD_list(v)
Return the greatest common divisor of a list of integers.
```

INPUT:

- v – list or tuple

Elements of v are converted to Sage integers. An empty list has GCD zero.

This function is used, for example, by `rings/arith.py`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.integer import GCD_list
sage: w = GCD_list([3,9,30]); w
3
sage: type(w)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

Check that the bug reported in [trac ticket #3118](#) has been fixed:

```
sage: sage.rings.integer.GCD_list([2,2,3])
1
```

The inputs are converted to Sage integers.

```
sage: w = GCD_list([int(3), int(9), '30']); w
3
sage: type(w)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

Check that the GCD of the empty list is zero (trac ticket #17257):

```
sage: GCD_list([])
0
```

class `sage.rings.integer.Integer`

Bases: `sage.structure.element.EuclideanDomainElement`

The `Integer` class represents arbitrary precision integers. It derives from the `Element` class, so integers can be used as ring elements anywhere in Sage.

`Integer()` interprets strings that begin with `0o` as octal numbers, strings that begin with `0x` as hexadecimal numbers and strings that begin with `0b` as binary numbers.

The class `Integer` is implemented in Cython, as a wrapper of the GMP `mpz_t` integer type.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(123)
123
sage: Integer("123")
123
```

Sage Integers support **PEP 3127** literals:

```
sage: Integer('0x12')
18
sage: Integer('-0o12')
-10
sage: Integer('+0b101010')
42
```

Conversion from PARI:

```
sage: Integer(pari('-10380104371593008048799446356441519384'))
-10380104371593008048799446356441519384
sage: Integer(pari('Pol([-3])'))
-3
```

additive_order()

Return the additive order of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ(0).additive_order()
1
sage: ZZ(1).additive_order()
+Infinity
```

binary()

Return the binary digits of self as a string.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: print Integer(15).binary()
1111
sage: print Integer(16).binary()
10000
sage: print Integer(16938402384092843092843098243).binary()
1101101011101100011110001110010010100111010001111111000101000000001011110000100000
```

binomial (*m*, *algorithm*='mpir')

Return the binomial coefficient “self choose *m*”.

INPUT:

- *m* – an integer
- *algorithm* – ‘mpir’ (default) or ‘pari’; ‘mpir’ is faster for small *m*, and ‘pari’ tends to be faster for large *m*

OUTPUT:

- integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 10.binomial(2)
45
sage: 10.binomial(2, algorithm='pari')
45
sage: 10.binomial(-2)
0
sage: (-2).binomial(3)
-4
sage: (-3).binomial(0)
1
```

The argument *m* or (self-*m*) must fit into unsigned long:

```
sage: (2**256).binomial(2**256)
1
sage: (2**256).binomial(2**256-1)
115792089237316195423570985008687907853269984665640564039457584007913129639936
sage: (2**256).binomial(2**128)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
OverflowError: m must fit in an unsigned long
```

TESTS:

```
sage: 0.binomial(0)
1
sage: 0.binomial(1)
0
sage: 0.binomial(-1)
0
sage: 13.binomial(2r)
78
```

Check that it can be interrupted ([trac ticket #17852](#)):

```
sage: alarm(0.5); (2^100).binomial(2^22, algorithm='mpir')
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
AlarmInterrupt
```

For PARI, we try 10 interrupts with increasing intervals to check for reliable interrupting, see [trac ticket #18919](#):

```
sage: from sage.ext.interrupt import AlarmInterrupt
sage: for i in [1..10]: # long time (5s)
....:     try:
....:         alarm(i/11)
....:         (2^100).binomial(2^22, algorithm='pari')
....:     except AlarmInterrupt:
....:         pass
```

bits()

Return the bits in self as a list, least significant first. The result satisfies the identity

```
x == sum(b*2^e for e, b in enumerate(x.bits()))
```

Negative numbers will have negative “bits”. (So, strictly speaking, the entries of the returned list are not really members of $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.)

This method just calls `digits()` with `base=2`.

SEE ALSO:

`nbits()` (number of bits; a faster way to compute `len(x.bits())`); and `binary()`, which returns a string in more-familiar notation.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 500.bits()
[0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]
sage: 11.bits()
[1, 1, 0, 1]
sage: (-99).bits()
[-1, -1, 0, 0, 0, -1, -1]
```

ceil()

Return the ceiling of self, which is self since self is an integer.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 6
sage: n.ceil()
6
```

class_number (*proof=True*)

Returns the class number of the quadratic order with this discriminant.

INPUT:

- `self` – an integer congruent to 0 or 1 mod 4 which is not a square
- `proof` (boolean, default `True`) – if `False` then for negative discriminants a faster algorithm is used by the PARI library which is known to give incorrect results when the class group has many cyclic factors.

OUTPUT:

(integer) the class number of the quadratic order with this discriminant.

Note: This is not always equal to the number of classes of primitive binary quadratic forms of discriminant D , which is equal to the narrow class number. The two notions are the same when $D < 0$, or $D > 0$ and the fundamental unit of the order has negative norm; otherwise the number of classes of forms is twice this class number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-163).class_number()
1
sage: (-104).class_number()
6
sage: [((4*n+1), (4*n+1).class_number()) for n in [21..29]]
[(85, 2),
 (89, 1),
 (93, 1),
 (97, 1),
 (101, 1),
 (105, 2),
 (109, 1),
 (113, 1),
 (117, 1)]
```

TESTS:

The integer must not be a square or an error is raised:

```
sage: 100.class_number()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: class_number not defined for square integers
```

The integer must be 0 or 1 mod 4 or an error is raised:

```
sage: 10.class_number()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: class_number only defined for integers congruent to 0 or 1 modulo 4
sage: 3.class_number()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: class_number only defined for integers congruent to 0 or 1 modulo 4
```

conjugate()

Return the complex conjugate of this integer, which is the integer itself.

EXAMPLES: sage: n = 205 sage: n.conjugate() 205

coprime_integers(m)

Return the positive integers $< m$ that are coprime to self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 8
sage: n.coprime_integers(8)
[1, 3, 5, 7]
sage: n.coprime_integers(11)
[1, 3, 5, 7, 9]
sage: n = 5; n.coprime_integers(10)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9]
sage: n.coprime_integers(5)
[1, 2, 3, 4]
```

```
sage: n = 99; n.coprime_integers(99)
[1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 4
```

AUTHORS:

•Naqi Jaffery (2006-01-24): examples

ALGORITHM: Naive - compute lots of GCD's. If this isn't good enough for you, please code something better and submit a patch.

crt (*y, m, n*)

Return the unique integer between 0 and mn that is congruent to the integer modulo m and to y modulo n . We assume that m and n are coprime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 17
sage: m = n.crt(5, 23, 11); m
247
sage: m%23
17
sage: m%11
5
```

denominator ()

Return the denominator of this integer, which of course is always 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = 5
sage: x.denominator()
1
sage: x = 0
sage: x.denominator()
1
```

digits (*base=10, digits=None, padto=0*)

Return a list of digits for *self* in the given base in little endian order.

The returned value is unspecified if *self* is a negative number and the digits are given.

INPUT:

- base* - integer (default: 10)
- digits* - optional indexable object as source for the digits
- padto* - the minimal length of the returned list, sufficient number of zeros are added to make the list minimum that length (default: 0)

As a shorthand for `digits(2)`, you can use `bits()`.

Also see `ndigits()`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 17.digits()
[7, 1]
sage: 5.digits(base=2, digits=["zero", "one"])
['one', 'zero', 'one']
sage: 5.digits(3)
[2, 1]
sage: 0.digits(base=10) # 0 has 0 digits
[]
```

```

sage: 0.digits(base=2) # 0 has 0 digits
[]
sage: 10.digits(16,'0123456789abcdef')
['a']
sage: 0.digits(16,'0123456789abcdef')
[]
sage: 0.digits(16,'0123456789abcdef',padto=1)
['0']
sage: 123.digits(base=10,padto=5)
[3, 2, 1, 0, 0]
sage: 123.digits(base=2,padto=3) # padto is the minimal length
[1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1]
sage: 123.digits(base=2,padto=10,digits=(1,-1))
[-1, -1, 1, -1, -1, -1, -1, 1, 1, 1]
sage: a=9939082340; a.digits(10)
[0, 4, 3, 2, 8, 0, 9, 3, 9, 9]
sage: a.digits(512)
[100, 302, 26, 74]
sage: (-12).digits(10)
[-2, -1]
sage: (-12).digits(2)
[0, 0, -1, -1]

```

We support large bases.

```

sage: n=2^6000
sage: n.digits(2^3000)
[0, 0, 1]

sage: base=3; n=25
sage: l=n.digits(base)
sage: # the next relationship should hold for all n,base
sage: sum(base^i*l[i] for i in range(len(l)))==n
True
sage: base=3; n=-30; l=n.digits(base); sum(base^i*l[i] for i in range(len(l)))==n
True

```

The inverse of this method – constructing an integer from a list of digits and a base – can be done using the above method or by simply using `ZZ()` with a base:

```

sage: x = 123; ZZ(x.digits(), 10)
123
sage: x == ZZ(x.digits(6), 6)
True
sage: x == ZZ(x.digits(25), 25)
True

```

Using `sum()` and `enumerate()` to do the same thing is slightly faster in many cases (and `balanced_sum()` may be faster yet). Of course it gives the same result:

```

sage: base = 4
sage: sum(digit * base^i for i, digit in enumerate(x.digits(base))) == ZZ(x.digits(base), base)
True

```

Note: In some cases it is faster to give a digits collection. This would be particularly true for computing the digits of a series of small numbers. In these cases, the code is careful to allocate as few python objects as reasonably possible.

```
sage: digits = range(15)
sage: l=[ZZ(i).digits(15,digits) for i in range(100)]
sage: l[16]
[1, 1]
```

This function is comparable to `str` for speed.

```
sage: n=3^100000
sage: n.digits(base=10)[-1] # slightly slower than str
1
sage: n=10^10000
sage: n.digits(base=10)[-1] # slightly faster than str
1
```

AUTHORS:

- Joel B. Mohler (2008-03-02): significantly rewrote this entire function

divide_knowing_divisible_by(*right*)

Returns the integer self / right when self is divisible by right.

If self is not divisible by right, the return value is undefined, and may not even be close to self/right for multi-word integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = 8; b = 4
sage: a.divide_knowing_divisible_by(b)
2
sage: (100000).divide_knowing_divisible_by(25)
4000
sage: (100000).divide_knowing_divisible_by(26) # close (random)
3846
```

However, often it's way off.

```
sage: a = 2^70; a
1180591620717411303424
sage: a // 11 # floor divide
107326510974310118493
sage: a.divide_knowing_divisible_by(11) # way off and possibly random
43215361478743422388970455040
```

divides(*n*)

Return True if self divides n.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Z = IntegerRing()
sage: Z(5).divides(Z(10))
True
sage: Z(0).divides(Z(5))
False
sage: Z(10).divides(Z(5))
False
```

divisors(*method=None*)

Returns a list of all positive integer divisors of the integer self.

EXAMPLES:


```

sage: (-3).divisors()
[1, 3]
sage: 6.divisors()
[1, 2, 3, 6]
sage: 28.divisors()
[1, 2, 4, 7, 14, 28]
sage: (2^5).divisors()
[1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32]
sage: 100.divisors()
[1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, 100]
sage: 1.divisors()
[1]
sage: 0.divisors()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: n must be nonzero
sage: (2^3 * 3^2 * 17).divisors()
[1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 17, 18, 24, 34, 36, 51, 68, 72, 102, 136, 153, 204, 306, 408, 612,
sage: a = odd_part(factorial(31))
sage: v = a.divisors(); len(v)
172800
sage: prod(e+1 for p,e in factor(a))
172800
sage: all([t.divides(a) for t in v])
True

sage: n = 2^551 - 1
sage: L = n.divisors()
sage: len(L)
256
sage: L[-1] == n
True

```

TESTS:

```

sage: prod(primes_first_n(64)).divisors()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
OverflowError: value too large
sage: prod(primes_first_n(58)).divisors()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
OverflowError: value too large # 32-bit
MemoryError: failed to allocate 288230376151711744 * 24 bytes # 64-bit

```

Check for memory leaks and ability to interrupt (the divisors call below allocates about 800 MB every time, so a memory leak will not go unnoticed):

```

sage: n = prod(primes_first_n(25))
sage: for i in range(20): # long time
....:     try:
....:         alarm(RDF.random_element(1e-3, 0.5))
....:         _ = n.divisors()
....:         cancel_alarm() # we never get here
....:     except AlarmInterrupt:
....:         pass

```

Test a strange method:

```
sage: 100.divisors(method='hey')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: method must be 'pari' or 'sage'
```

Note: If one first computes all the divisors and then sorts it, the sorting step can easily dominate the runtime. Note, however, that (non-negative) multiplication on the left preserves relative order. One can leverage this fact to keep the list in order as one computes it using a process similar to that of the merge sort algorithm.

euclidean_degree()

Return the degree of this element as an element of a euclidean domain.

If this is an element in the ring of integers, this is simply its absolute value.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ(1).euclidean_degree()
1
```

exact_log(m)

Returns the largest integer k such that $m^k \leq \text{self}$, i.e., the floor of $\log_m(\text{self})$.

This is guaranteed to return the correct answer even when the usual log function doesn't have sufficient precision.

INPUT:

- m - integer ≥ 2

AUTHORS:

- David Harvey (2006-09-15)
- **Joel B. Mohler (2009-04-08)** – rewrote this to handle small cases and/or easy cases up to 100x faster..

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(125).exact_log(5)
3
sage: Integer(124).exact_log(5)
2
sage: Integer(126).exact_log(5)
3
sage: Integer(3).exact_log(5)
0
sage: Integer(1).exact_log(5)
0
sage: Integer(178^1700).exact_log(178)
1700
sage: Integer(178^1700-1).exact_log(178)
1699
sage: Integer(178^1700+1).exact_log(178)
1700
sage: # we need to exercise the large base code path too
sage: Integer(1780^1700-1).exact_log(1780)
1699

sage: # The following are very very fast.
sage: # Note that for base m a perfect power of 2, we get the exact log by counting bits.
```

```

sage: n=2983579823750185701375109835; m=32
sage: n.exact_log(m)
18
sage: # The next is a favorite of mine. The log2 approximate is exact and immediately proven
sage: n=90153710570912709517902579010793251709257901270941709247901209742124;m=2135097213095
sage: n.exact_log(m)
4

sage: x = 3^100000
sage: RR(log(RR(x), 3))
100000.0000000000
sage: RR(log(RR(x + 100000), 3))
100000.0000000000

sage: x.exact_log(3)
100000
sage: (x+1).exact_log(3)
100000
sage: (x-1).exact_log(3)
99999

sage: x.exact_log(2.5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: Attempt to coerce non-integral RealNumber to Integer

```

exp (*prec=None*)

Returns the exponential function of self as a real number.

This function is provided only so that Sage integers may be treated in the same manner as real numbers when convenient.

INPUT:

- *prec* - integer (default: None): if None, returns symbolic, else to given bits of precision as in RealField

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: Integer(8).exp()
e^8
sage: Integer(8).exp(prec=100)
2980.9579870417282747435920995
sage: exp(Integer(8))
e^8

```

For even fairly large numbers, this may not be useful.

```

sage: y=Integer(145^145)
sage: y.exp()
e^250242070113490792104595852795536756979321836584215652603235924094327073065541632248761100
sage: y.exp(prec=53) # default RealField precision
+infinity

```

factor (*algorithm='pari', proof=None, limit=None, int_=False, verbose=0*)

Return the prime factorization of this integer as a formal Factorization object.

INPUT:

- *algorithm* - string

- 'pari' - (default) use the PARI library
 - 'kash' - use the KASH computer algebra system (requires the optional kash package)
 - 'magma' - use the MAGMA computer algebra system (requires an installation of MAGMA)
 - 'qsieve' - use Bill Hart's quadratic sieve code; WARNING: this may not work as expected, see qsieve? for more information
 - 'ecm' - use ECM-GMP, an implementation of Hendrik Lenstra's elliptic curve method.
- proof - bool (default: True) whether or not to prove primality of each factor (only applicable for 'pari' and 'ecm').
 - limit - int or None (default: None) if limit is given it must fit in a signed int, and the factorization is done using trial division and primes up to limit.

OUTPUT:

- a Factorization object containing the prime factors and their multiplicities

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 2^100 - 1; n.factor()
3 * 5^3 * 11 * 31 * 41 * 101 * 251 * 601 * 1801 * 4051 * 8101 * 268501
```

This factorization can be converted into a list of pairs (p, e) , where p is prime and e is a positive integer. Each pair can also be accessed directly by its index (ordered by increasing size of the prime):

```
sage: f = 60.factor()
sage: list(f)
[(2, 2), (3, 1), (5, 1)]
sage: f[2]
(5, 1)
```

Similarly, the factorization can be converted to a dictionary so the exponent can be extracted for each prime:

```
sage: f = (3^6).factor()
sage: dict(f)
{3: 6}
sage: dict(f)[3]
6
```

We use proof=False, which doesn't prove correctness of the primes that appear in the factorization:

```
sage: n = 920384092842390423848290348203948092384082349082
sage: n.factor(proof=False)
2 * 11 * 1531 * 4402903 * 10023679 * 619162955472170540533894518173
sage: n.factor(proof=True)
2 * 11 * 1531 * 4402903 * 10023679 * 619162955472170540533894518173
```

We factor using trial division only:

```
sage: n.factor(limit=1000)
2 * 11 * 41835640583745019265831379463815822381094652231
```

We factor using a quadratic sieve algorithm:

```
sage: p = next_prime(10^20)
sage: q = next_prime(10^21)
sage: n = p*q
sage: n.factor(algorithm='qsieve')
doctest:... RuntimeWarning: the factorization returned
```

by qsieve may be incomplete (the factors may not be prime)
 or even wrong; see qsieve? for details
 10000000000000000000039 * 10000000000000000000117

We factor using the elliptic curve method:

```
sage: p = next_prime(10^15)
sage: q = next_prime(10^21)
sage: n = p*q
sage: n.factor(algorithm='ecm')
100000000000000037 * 10000000000000000000117
```

TESTS:

```
sage: n = 42
sage: n.factor(algorithm='foobar')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Algorithm is not known
```

factorial()

Return the factorial $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots n$.

If the input does not fit in an unsigned long int a symbolic expression is returned.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: for n in xrange(7):
...     print n, n.factorial()
0 1
1 1
2 2
3 6
4 24
5 120
6 720
sage: 234234209384023842034.factorial()
factorial(234234209384023842034)
```

floor()

Return the floor of self, which is just self since self is an integer.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 6
sage: n.floor()
6
```

gamma()

The gamma function on integers is the factorial function (shifted by one) on positive integers, and $\pm\infty$ on non-positive integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: gamma(5)
24
sage: gamma(0)
Infinity
sage: gamma(-1)
Infinity
sage: gamma(-2^150)
```

Infinity

gcd(*n*)

Return the greatest common divisor of self and *n*.

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: gcd(-1,1)
1
sage: gcd(0,1)
1
sage: gcd(0,0)
0
sage: gcd(2,2^6)
2
sage: gcd(21,2^6)
1
```

global_height(*prec=None*)

Returns the absolute logarithmic height of this rational integer.

INPUT:

- *prec* (int) – desired floating point precision (default: default RealField precision).

OUTPUT:

(real) The absolute logarithmic height of this rational integer.

ALGORITHM:

The height of the integer *n* is $\log |n|$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ(5).global_height()
1.60943791243410
sage: ZZ(-2).global_height(prec=100)
0.69314718055994530941723212146
sage: exp(_)
2.000000000000000000000000000000
```

imag()

Returns the imaginary part of self, which is zero.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(9).imag()
0
```

inverse_mod(*n*)

Returns the inverse of self modulo *n*, if this inverse exists. Otherwise, raises a `ZeroDivisionError` exception.

INPUT:

- self - Integer
- *n* - Integer, or ideal of integer ring

OUTPUT:

- *x* - Integer such that $x * \text{self} = 1 \pmod{m}$, or raises `ZeroDivisionError`.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Call the `mpz_invert` GMP library function.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = Integer(189)
sage: a.inverse_mod(10000)
4709
sage: a.inverse_mod(-10000)
4709
sage: a.inverse_mod(1890)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: Inverse does not exist.
sage: a = Integer(19)**100000
sage: b = a*a
sage: c = a.inverse_mod(b)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: Inverse does not exist.
```

We check that #10625 is fixed:

```
sage: ZZ(2).inverse_mod(ZZ.ideal(3))
2
```

We check that #9955 is fixed:

```
sage: Rational(3)%Rational(-1)
0
```

inverse_of_unit()

Return inverse of self if self is a unit in the integers, i.e., self is -1 or 1. Otherwise, raise a `ZeroDivisionError`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1).inverse_of_unit()
1
sage: (-1).inverse_of_unit()
-1
sage: 5.inverse_of_unit()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: Inverse does not exist.
sage: 0.inverse_of_unit()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: Inverse does not exist.
```

is_integer()

Returns True as they are integers

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sqrt(4).is_integer()
True
```

is_integral()

Return True since integers are integral, i.e., satisfy a monic polynomial with integer coefficients.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(3).is_integral()
True
```

is_irreducible()

Returns True if self is irreducible, i.e. +/- prime

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = 2^31 - 1
sage: z.is_irreducible()
True
sage: z = 2^31
sage: z.is_irreducible()
False
sage: z = 7
sage: z.is_irreducible()
True
sage: z = -7
sage: z.is_irreducible()
True
```

is_norm(K, element=False, proof=True)

See `QQ(self).is_norm()`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: K = NumberField(x^2 - 2, 'beta')
sage: n = 4
sage: n.is_norm(K)
True
sage: 5.is_norm(K)
False
sage: 7.is_norm(QQ)
True
sage: n.is_norm(K, element=True)
(True, -4*beta + 6)
sage: n.is_norm(K, element=True)[1].norm()
4
sage: n = 5
sage: n.is_norm(K, element=True)
(False, None)
sage: n = 7
sage: n.is_norm(QQ, element=True)
(True, 7)
```

is_one()

Returns True if the integer is 1, otherwise False.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(1).is_one()
True
sage: Integer(0).is_one()
False
```

is_perfect_power()

Returns True if self is a perfect power, ie if there exist integers a and b , $b > 1$ with $\text{self} = a^b$.

See also:

- `perfect_power()`: Finds the minimal base for which this integer is a perfect power.
- `is_power_of()`: If you know the base already this method is the fastest option.
- `is_prime_power()`: Checks whether the base is prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(-27).is_perfect_power()
True
sage: Integer(12).is_perfect_power()
False

sage: z = 8
sage: z.is_perfect_power()
True
sage: 144.is_perfect_power()
True
sage: 10.is_perfect_power()
False
sage: (-8).is_perfect_power()
True
sage: (-4).is_perfect_power()
False
```

TESTS:

This is a test to make sure we work around a bug in GMP, see [trac ticket #4612](#).

```
sage: [ -a for a in xrange(100) if not (-a^3).is_perfect_power() ]
[]
```

`is_power_of(n)`

Returns True if there is an integer b with $\text{self} = n^b$.

See also:

- `perfect_power()`: Finds the minimal base for which this integer is a perfect power.
- `is_perfect_power()`: If you don't know the base but just want to know if this integer is a perfect power, use this function.
- `is_prime_power()`: Checks whether the base is prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(64).is_power_of(4)
True
sage: Integer(64).is_power_of(16)
False
```

TESTS:

```
sage: Integer(-64).is_power_of(-4)
True
sage: Integer(-32).is_power_of(-2)
True
sage: Integer(1).is_power_of(1)
True
sage: Integer(-1).is_power_of(-1)
True
sage: Integer(0).is_power_of(1)
```

```

False
sage: Integer(0).is_power_of(0)
True
sage: Integer(1).is_power_of(0)
True
sage: Integer(1).is_power_of(8)
True
sage: Integer(-8).is_power_of(2)
False
sage: Integer(-81).is_power_of(-3)
False

```

Note: For large integers `self`, `is_power_of()` is faster than `is_perfect_power()`. The following examples gives some indication of how much faster.

```

sage: b = lcm(range(1, 10000))
sage: b.exact_log(2)
14446
sage: t=cputime()
sage: for a in range(2, 1000): k = b.is_perfect_power()
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.53203299999999976
sage: t=cputime()
sage: for a in range(2, 1000): k = b.is_power_of(2)
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.0
sage: t=cputime()
sage: for a in range(2, 1000): k = b.is_power_of(3)
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.0320020000000000308

sage: b = lcm(range(1, 1000))
sage: b.exact_log(2)
1437
sage: t=cputime()
sage: for a in range(2, 10000): k = b.is_perfect_power() # note that we change the range from 1000 to 10000
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.172011000000000036
sage: t=cputime(); TWO=int(2)
sage: for a in range(2, 10000): k = b.is_power_of(TWO)
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.0040000000000000036
sage: t=cputime()
sage: for a in range(2, 10000): k = b.is_power_of(3)
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.040003000000000011
sage: t=cputime()
sage: for a in range(2, 10000): k = b.is_power_of(a)
sage: cputime(t) # random
0.02800199999999986

```

is_prime (*proof=None*)

Test whether `self` is prime.

INPUT:

- `proof` – Boolean or None (default). If False, use a strong pseudo-primality test (see `is_pseudoprime()`). If True, use a provable primality test. If unset, use the default

arithmetic proof flag.

Note: Integer primes are by definition *positive*! This is different than Magma, but the same as in PARI. See also the `is_irreducible()` method.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = 2^31 - 1
sage: z.is_prime()
True
sage: z = 2^31
sage: z.is_prime()
False
sage: z = 7
sage: z.is_prime()
True
sage: z = -7
sage: z.is_prime()
False
sage: z.is_irreducible()
True

sage: z = 10^80 + 129
sage: z.is_prime(proof=False)
True
sage: z.is_prime(proof=True)
True
```

When starting Sage the arithmetic proof flag is True. We can change it to False as follows:

```
sage: proof.arithmetic()
True
sage: n = 10^100 + 267
sage: timeit("n.is_prime()") # not tested
5 loops, best of 3: 163 ms per loop
sage: proof.arithmetic(False)
sage: proof.arithmetic()
False
sage: timeit("n.is_prime()") # not tested
1000 loops, best of 3: 573 us per loop
```

ALGORITHM:

Calls the PARI `isprime` function.

is_prime_power (*flag=None, proof=None, get_data=False*)

Return True if this integer is a prime power, and False otherwise.

A prime power is a prime number raised to a positive power. Hence 1 is not a prime power.

For a method that uses a pseudoprimalty test instead see `is_pseudoprime_power()`.

INPUT:

- `proof` – Boolean or None (default). If False, use a strong pseudo-primality test (see `is_pseudoprime()`). If True, use a provable primality test. If unset, use the default arithmetic proof flag.
- `get_data` – (default False), if True return a pair (p, k) such that this integer equals p^k with p a prime and k a positive integer or the pair $(self, 0)$ otherwise.

See also:

- `perfect_power()`: Finds the minimal base for which integer is a perfect power.
- `is_perfect_power()`: Doesn't test whether the base is prime.
- `is_power_of()`: If you know the base already this method is the fastest option.
- `is_pseudoprime_power()`: If the entry is very large.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 17.is_prime_power()
True
sage: 10.is_prime_power()
False
sage: 64.is_prime_power()
True
sage: (3^10000).is_prime_power()
True
sage: (10000).is_prime_power()
False
sage: (-3).is_prime_power()
False
sage: 0.is_prime_power()
False
sage: 1.is_prime_power()
False
sage: p = next_prime(10^20); p
1000000000000000000000039
sage: p.is_prime_power()
True
sage: (p^97).is_prime_power()
True
sage: (p+1).is_prime_power()
False
```

With the `get_data` keyword set to `True`:

```
sage: (3^100).is_prime_power(get_data=True)
(3, 100)
sage: 12.is_prime_power(get_data=True)
(12, 0)
sage: (p^97).is_prime_power(get_data=True)
(1000000000000000000000039, 97)
sage: q = p.next_prime(); q
10000000000000000000000129
sage: (p*q).is_prime_power(get_data=True)
(1000000000000000000000016800000000000000005031, 0)
```

The method works for large entries when *proof* = *False*:

```
sage: proof.arithmetic(False)
sage: ((10^500 + 961)^4).is_prime_power()
True
sage: proof.arithmetic(True)
```

We check that [trac ticket #4777](#) is fixed:

```
sage: n = 150607571^14
sage: n.is_prime_power()
True
```

is_pseudoprime()

Test whether self is a pseudoprime

This uses PARI's Baillie-PSW probabilistic primality test. Currently, there are no known pseudoprimes for Baillie-PSW that are not actually prime. However it is conjectured that there are infinitely many.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = 2^31 - 1
sage: z.is_pseudoprime()
True
sage: z = 2^31
sage: z.is_pseudoprime()
False
```

is_pseudoprime_power(get_data=False)

Test if this number is a power of a pseudoprime number.

For large numbers, this method might be faster than `is_prime_power()`.

INPUT:

- `get_data` – (default `False`) if `True` return a pair (p, k) such that this number equals p^k with p a pseudoprime and k a positive integer or the pair $(self, 0)$ otherwise.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = 10^200 + 357
sage: x.is_pseudoprime()
True
sage: (x^12).is_pseudoprime_power()
True
sage: (x^12).is_pseudoprime_power(get_data=True)
(1000...000357, 12)
sage: (997^100).is_pseudoprime_power()
True
sage: (998^100).is_pseudoprime_power()
False
sage: ((10^1000 + 453)^2).is_pseudoprime_power()
True
```

TESTS:

```
sage: 0.is_pseudoprime_power()
False
sage: (-1).is_pseudoprime_power()
False
sage: 1.is_pseudoprime_power()
False
```

is_square()

Returns `True` if self is a perfect square.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(4).is_square()
True
sage: Integer(41).is_square()
False
```

is_squarefree()

Returns `True` if this integer is not divisible by the square of any prime and `False` otherwise.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 100.is_squarefree()
False
sage: 102.is_squarefree()
True
sage: 0.is_squarefree()
False
```

is_unit()

Returns `true` if this integer is a unit, i.e., 1 or -1 .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: for n in xrange(-2,3):
...     print n, n.is_unit()
-2 False
-1 True
0 False
1 True
2 False
```

isqrt()

Returns the integer floor of the square root of self, or raises an `ValueError` if self is negative.

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: a = Integer(5)
sage: a.isqrt()
2

sage: Integer(-102).isqrt()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: square root of negative integer not defined.
```

jacobi(b)

Calculate the Jacobi symbol $\left(\frac{self}{b}\right)$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = -1
sage: z.jacobi(17)
1
sage: z.jacobi(19)
-1
sage: z.jacobi(17*19)
-1
sage: (2).jacobi(17)
1
sage: (3).jacobi(19)
-1
sage: (6).jacobi(17*19)
-1
sage: (6).jacobi(33)
0
sage: a = 3; b = 7
sage: a.jacobi(b) == -b.jacobi(a)
True
```

kronecker(b)

Calculate the Kronecker symbol $\left(\frac{self}{b}\right)$ with the Kronecker extension $(self/2) = (2/self)$ when *self* is odd, or $(self/2) = 0$ when *self* is even.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = 5
sage: z.kronecker(41)
1
sage: z.kronecker(43)
-1
sage: z.kronecker(8)
-1
sage: z.kronecker(15)
0
sage: a = 2; b = 5
sage: a.kronecker(b) == b.kronecker(a)
True
```

list()

Return a list with this integer in it, to be compatible with the method for number fields.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: m = 5
sage: m.list()
[5]
```

log(*m=None*, *prec=None*)

Returns symbolic log by default, unless the logarithm is exact (for an integer base). When precision is given, the RealField approximation to that bit precision is used.

This function is provided primarily so that Sage integers may be treated in the same manner as real numbers when convenient. Direct use of `exact_log` is probably best for arithmetic log computation.

INPUT:

- *m* - default: natural log base e
- *prec* - integer (default: None): if None, returns symbolic, else to given bits of precision as in RealField

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(124).log(5)
log(124)/log(5)
sage: Integer(124).log(5,100)
2.9950093311241087454822446806
sage: Integer(125).log(5)
3
sage: Integer(125).log(5,prec=53)
3.000000000000000
sage: log(Integer(125))
log(125)
```

For extremely large numbers, this works:

```
sage: x = 3^100000
sage: log(x,3)
100000
```

With the new Pynac symbolic backend, `log(x)` also works in a reasonable amount of time for this *x*:

```
sage: x = 3^100000
sage: log(x)
log(1334971414230...5522000001)
```

But approximations are probably more useful in this case, and work to as high a precision as we desire:

[illegible]

We can use non-integer bases, with default e:

```
sage: x.log(2.5,prec=53)
119897.784671579
```

We also get logarithms of negative integers, via the symbolic ring, using the branch from $-pi$ to pi :

```
sage: log(-1)
I*pi
```

The logarithm of zero is done likewise:

```
sage: log(0)
-Infinity
```

multifactorial (k)

Computes the k-th factorial $n!^{(k)}$ of self. For k=1 this is the standard factorial, and for k greater than one it is the product of every k-th terms down from self to k. The recursive definition is used to extend this function to the negative integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 5.multifactorial(1)
120
sage: 5.multifactorial(2)
15
sage: 23.multifactorial(2)
316234143225
sage: prod([1..23, step=2])
316234143225
sage: (-29).multifactorial(7)
1/2640
```

multiplicative_order()

Return the multiplicative order of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: ZZ(1).multiplicative_order()
1
sage: ZZ(-1).multiplicative_order()
2
sage: ZZ(0).multiplicative_order()
+Infinity
sage: ZZ(2).multiplicative_order()
+Infinity
```


ndigits (*base=10*)
Return the number of digits of self expressed in the given base.

INPUT:

- base - integer (default: 10)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 52
sage: n.ndigits()
2
sage: n = -10003
sage: n.ndigits()
5
sage: n = 15
sage: n.ndigits(2)
4
sage: n = 1000**1000000+1
sage: n.ndigits()
3000001
sage: n = 1000**1000000-1
sage: n.ndigits()
3000000
sage: n = 10**10000000-10**9999999
sage: n.ndigits()
10000000
```

next_prime (*proof=None*)
Return the next prime after self.

This method calls the PARI `nextprime` function.

INPUT:

- `proof` - bool or None (default: None, see `proof.arithmetic` or `sage.structure.proof`) Note that the global Sage default is `proof=True`

EXAMPLES:

[illegible]

Use `proof=False`, which is way faster since it does not need a primality proof:

```
sage: b = (2^1024).next_prime(proof=False)
sage: b - 2^1024
```

643

```
sage: Integer(0).next_prime()
2
sage: Integer(1001).next_prime()
1009
```

next_prime_power (*proof=None*)

Return the next prime power after self.

INPUT:

- *proof* - if `True` ensure that the returned value is the next prime power and if set to `False` uses probabilistic methods (i.e. the result is not guaranteed). By default it uses global configuration variables to determine which alternative to use (see `proof.arithmetic` or `sage.structure.proof`).

ALGORITHM:

The algorithm is naive. It computes the next power of 2 and go through the odd numbers calling `is_prime_power()`.

See also:

- `previous_prime_power()`
- `is_prime_power()`
- `next_prime()`
- `previous_prime()`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-1).next_prime_power()
2
sage: 2.next_prime_power()
3
sage: 103.next_prime_power()
107
sage: 107.next_prime_power()
109
sage: 2044.next_prime_power()
2048
```

TESTS:

```
sage: [(2**k-1).next_prime_power() for k in range(1,10)]
[2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512]
sage: [(2**k).next_prime_power() for k in range(10)]
[2, 3, 5, 9, 17, 37, 67, 131, 257, 521]

sage: for _ in range(10):
....:     n = ZZ.random_element(2**256).next_prime_power()
....:     m = n.next_prime_power().previous_prime_power()
....:     assert m == n, "problem with n = {}".format(n)
```

next_probable_prime ()

Returns the next probable prime after self, as determined by PARI.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: (-37).next_probable_prime()
2
sage: (100).next_probable_prime()
101
sage: (2^512).next_probable_prime()
13407807929942597099574024998205846127479365820592393377723561443721764030073546976801874298
sage: 0.next_probable_prime()
2
sage: 126.next_probable_prime()
127
sage: 144168.next_probable_prime()
144169

```

nth_root (*n*, *truncate_mode*=0)

Returns the (possibly truncated) *n*'th root of self.

INPUT:

- *n* - integer ≥ 1 (must fit in C int type).
- *truncate_mode* - boolean, whether to allow truncation if self is not an *n*'th power.

OUTPUT:

If *truncate_mode* is 0 (default), then returns the exact *n*'th root if self is an *n*'th power, or raises a `ValueError` if it is not.

If *truncate_mode* is 1, then if either *n* is odd or self is positive, returns a pair (root, *exact_flag*) where root is the truncated *n*th root (rounded towards zero) and *exact_flag* is a boolean indicating whether the root extraction was exact; otherwise raises a `ValueError`.

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EXAMPLES:

```

sage: Integer(125).nth_root(3)
5
sage: Integer(124).nth_root(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 124 is not a 3rd power
sage: Integer(124).nth_root(3, truncate_mode=1)
(4, False)
sage: Integer(125).nth_root(3, truncate_mode=1)
(5, True)
sage: Integer(126).nth_root(3, truncate_mode=1)
(5, False)

sage: Integer(-125).nth_root(3)
-5
sage: Integer(-125).nth_root(3, truncate_mode=1)
(-5, True)
sage: Integer(-124).nth_root(3, truncate_mode=1)
(-4, False)
sage: Integer(-126).nth_root(3, truncate_mode=1)
(-5, False)

```

```
sage: Integer(125).nth_root(2, True)
(11, False)
sage: Integer(125).nth_root(3, True)
(5, True)

sage: Integer(125).nth_root(-5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: n (=-5) must be positive

sage: Integer(-25).nth_root(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot take even root of negative number

sage: a=9
sage: a.nth_root(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 9 is not a 3rd power

sage: a.nth_root(22)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 9 is not a 22nd power

sage: ZZ(2^20).nth_root(21)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 1048576 is not a 21st power

sage: ZZ(2^20).nth_root(21, truncate_mode=1)
(1, False)
```

numerator()

Return the numerator of this integer.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = 5
sage: x.numerator()
5

sage: x = 0
sage: x.numerator()
0
```

odd_part()

The odd part of the integer n . This is $n/2^v$, where $v = \text{valuation}(n, 2)$.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Currently returns 0 when self is 0. This behaviour is fairly arbitrary, and in Sage 4.6 this special case was not handled at all, eventually propagating a `TypeError`. The caller should not rely on the behaviour in case self is 0.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: odd_part(5)
5
```

```
sage: odd_part(4)
1
sage: odd_part(factorial(31))
122529844256906551386796875
```

ord(*p*)

Return the *p*-adic valuation of self.

INPUT:

- *p* - an integer at least 2.

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: n = 60
sage: n.valuation(2)
2
sage: n.valuation(3)
1
sage: n.valuation(7)
0
sage: n.valuation(1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: You can only compute the valuation with respect to a integer larger than 1.
```

We do not require that *p* is a prime:

```
sage: (2^11).valuation(4)
5
```

ordinal_str()

Returns a string representation of the ordinal associated to self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: [ZZ(n).ordinal_str() for n in range(25)]
['0th',
'1st',
'2nd',
'3rd',
'4th',
...
'10th',
'11th',
'12th',
'13th',
'14th',
...
'20th',
'21st',
'22nd',
'23rd',
'24th']

sage: ZZ(1001).ordinal_str()
'1001st'

sage: ZZ(113).ordinal_str()
'113th'
sage: ZZ(112).ordinal_str()
```

```
'112th'
sage: ZZ(111).ordinal_str()
'111th'
```

perfect_power()

Returns (a, b) , where this integer is a^b and b is maximal.

If called on $-1, 0$ or 1 , b will be 1 , since there is no maximal value of b .

See also:

- `is_perfect_power()`: testing whether an integer is a perfect power is usually faster than finding a and b .
- `is_prime_power()`: checks whether the base is prime.
- `is_power_of()`: if you know the base already, this method is the fastest option.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 144.perfect_power()
(12, 2)
sage: 1.perfect_power()
(1, 1)
sage: 0.perfect_power()
(0, 1)
sage: (-1).perfect_power()
(-1, 1)
sage: (-8).perfect_power()
(-2, 3)
sage: (-4).perfect_power()
(-4, 1)
sage: (101^29).perfect_power()
(101, 29)
sage: (-243).perfect_power()
(-3, 5)
sage: (-64).perfect_power()
(-4, 3)
```

popcount()

Return the number of 1 bits in the binary representation. If `self < 0`, we return Infinity.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 123
sage: n.str(2)
'1111011'
sage: n.popcount()
6

sage: n = -17
sage: n.popcount()
+Infinity
```

powermod(exp, mod)

Compute `self**exp` modulo `mod`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = 2
sage: z.powermod(31, 31)
```

```

2
sage: z.powermod(0,31)
1
sage: z.powermod(-31,31) == 2^-31 % 31
True

```

As expected, the following is invalid:

```

sage: z.powermod(31,0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: cannot raise to a power modulo 0

```

powermodm_ui (*args, **kws)

Deprecated: Use `powermod()` instead. See [trac ticket #17852](#) for details.

previous_prime (proof=None)

Returns the previous prime before self.

This method calls the PARI `precprime` function.

INPUT:

- `proof` - if `True` ensure that the returned value is the next prime power and if set to `False` uses probabilistic methods (i.e. the result is not guaranteed). By default it uses global configuration variables to determine which alternative to use (see `proof.arithmetic` or `sage.structure.proof`).

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: 10.previous_prime()
7
sage: 7.previous_prime()
5
sage: 14376485.previous_prime()
14376463

sage: 2.previous_prime()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no prime less than 2

```

An example using `proof=False`, which is way faster since it does not need a primality proof:

```

sage: b = (2^1024).previous_prime(proof=False)
sage: 2^1024 - b
105

```

previous_prime_power (proof=None)

Return the previous prime power before self.

INPUT:

- `proof` - if `True` ensure that the returned value is the next prime power and if set to `False` uses probabilistic methods (i.e. the result is not guaranteed). By default it uses global configuration variables to determine which alternative to use (see `proof.arithmetic` or `sage.structure.proof`).

ALGORITHM:

The algorithm is naive. It computes the previous power of 2 and go through the odd numbers calling the method `is_prime_power()`.

See also:

- `next_prime_power()`
- `is_prime_power()`
- `previous_prime()`
- `next_prime()`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 3.previous_prime_power()
2
sage: 103.previous_prime_power()
101
sage: 107.previous_prime_power()
103
sage: 2044.previous_prime_power()
2039

sage: 2.previous_prime_power()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no prime power less than 2
```

TESTS:

```
sage: [(2**k+1).previous_prime_power() for k in range(1,10)]
[2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512]
sage: [(2**k).previous_prime_power() for k in range(2, 10)]
[3, 7, 13, 31, 61, 127, 251, 509]

sage: for _ in range(10):
....:     n = ZZ.random_element(3,2**256).previous_prime_power()
....:     m = n.previous_prime_power().next_prime_power()
....:     assert m == n, "problem with n = {}".format(n)
```

`prime_divisors()`

The prime divisors of self, sorted in increasing order. If n is negative, we do *not* include -1 among the prime divisors, since -1 is not a prime number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = 1; a.prime_divisors()
[]
sage: a = 100; a.prime_divisors()
[2, 5]
sage: a = -100; a.prime_divisors()
[2, 5]
sage: a = 2004; a.prime_divisors()
[2, 3, 167]
```

`prime_factors()`

The prime divisors of self, sorted in increasing order. If n is negative, we do *not* include -1 among the prime divisors, since -1 is not a prime number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = 1; a.prime_divisors()
[]
sage: a = 100; a.prime_divisors()
[2, 5]
sage: a = -100; a.prime_divisors()
```



```
[2, 5]
sage: a = 2004; a.prime_divisors()
[2, 3, 167]
```

prime_to_m_part(*m*)

Returns the prime-to-*m* part of self, i.e., the largest divisor of self that is coprime to *m*.

INPUT:

- *m* - Integer

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 43434.prime_to_m_part(20)
21717
sage: 2048.prime_to_m_part(2)
1
sage: 2048.prime_to_m_part(3)
2048

sage: 0.prime_to_m_part(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: self must be nonzero
```

quo_rem(*other*)

Returns the quotient and the remainder of self divided by other. Note that the remainder returned is always either zero or of the same sign as other.

INPUT:

- other - the divisor

OUTPUT:

- *q* - the quotient of self/other
- *r* - the remainder of self/other

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: z = Integer(231)
sage: z.quo_rem(2)
(115, 1)
sage: z.quo_rem(-2)
(-116, -1)
sage: z.quo_rem(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: Integer division by zero

sage: a = ZZ.random_element(10**50)
sage: b = ZZ.random_element(10**15)
sage: q, r = a.quo_rem(b)
sage: q*b + r == a
True

sage: 3.quo_rem(ZZ['x'].0)
(0, 3)
```

TESTS:

The divisor can be rational as well, although the remainder will always be zero ([trac ticket #7965](#)):

```
sage: 5.quo_rem(QQ(2))
(5/2, 0)
sage: 5.quo_rem(2/3)
(15/2, 0)
```

radical (*args, **kws)

Return the product of the prime divisors of self. Computing the radical of zero gives an error.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(10).radical()
10
sage: Integer(20).radical()
10
sage: Integer(-100).radical()
10
sage: Integer(0).radical()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: Radical of 0 not defined.
```

rational_reconstruction (m)

Return the rational reconstruction of this integer modulo m, i.e., the unique (if it exists) rational number that reduces to self modulo m and whose numerator and denominator is bounded by $\sqrt{m/2}$.

INPUT:

- self – Integer
- m – Integer

OUTPUT:

- a Rational

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (3/7)%100
29
sage: (29).rational_reconstruction(100)
3/7
```

TESTS:

Check that [trac ticket #9345](#) is fixed:

```
sage: 0.rational_reconstruction(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: rational reconstruction with zero modulus
sage: ZZ.random_element(-10^6, 10^6).rational_reconstruction(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: rational reconstruction with zero modulus
```

real ()

Returns the real part of self, which is self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(-4).real()
-4
```

sign()

Returns the sign of this integer, which is -1, 0, or 1 depending on whether this number is negative, zero, or positive respectively.

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 500.sign()
1
sage: 0.sign()
0
sage: (-10^43).sign()
-1
```

sqrt (*prec=None, extend=True, all=False*)

The square root function.

INPUT:

- *prec* - integer (default: None): if None, returns an exact square root; otherwise returns a numerical square root if necessary, to the given bits of precision.
- *extend* - bool (default: True); if True, return a square root in an extension ring, if necessary. Otherwise, raise a `ValueError` if the square is not in the base ring. Ignored if *prec* is not None.
- *all* - bool (default: False); if True, return all square roots of self, instead of just one.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: Integer(144).sqrt()
12
sage: sqrt(Integer(144))
12
sage: Integer(102).sqrt()
sqrt(102)

sage: n = 2
sage: n.sqrt(all=True)
[sqrt(2), -sqrt(2)]
sage: n.sqrt(prec=10)
1.4
sage: n.sqrt(prec=100)
1.4142135623730950488016887242
sage: n.sqrt(prec=100, all=True)
[1.4142135623730950488016887242, -1.4142135623730950488016887242]
sage: n.sqrt(extend=False)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: square root of 2 not an integer
sage: Integer(144).sqrt(all=True)
[12, -12]
sage: Integer(0).sqrt(all=True)
[0]
sage: type(Integer(5).sqrt())
<type 'sage.symbolic.expression.Expression'>
sage: type(Integer(5).sqrt(prec=53))
<type 'sage.rings.real_mpfr.RealNumber'>
```

```
sage: type(Integer(-5).sqrt(prec=53))
<type 'sage.rings.complex_number.ComplexNumber'>
```

TESTS:

Check that [trac ticket #9466](#) is fixed:

```
sage: 3.sqrt(extend=False, all=True)
[]
```

sqrtrem()

Return (s, r) where s is the integer square root of self and r is the remainder such that $\text{self} = s^2 + r$. Raises `ValueError` if self is negative.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 25.sqrtrem()
(5, 0)
sage: 27.sqrtrem()
(5, 2)
sage: 0.sqrtrem()
(0, 0)
```

```
sage: Integer(-102).sqrtrem()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: square root of negative integer not defined.
```

squarefree_part (*bound=-1*)

Return the square free part of x (=self), i.e., the unique integer z that $x = zy^2$, with y^2 a perfect square and z square-free.

Use `self.radical()` for the product of the primes that divide self.

If self is 0, just returns 0.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: squarefree_part(100)
1
sage: squarefree_part(12)
3
sage: squarefree_part(17*37*37)
17
sage: squarefree_part(-17*32)
-34
sage: squarefree_part(1)
1
sage: squarefree_part(-1)
-1
sage: squarefree_part(-2)
-2
sage: squarefree_part(-4)
-1

sage: a = 8 * 5^6 * 101^2
sage: a.squarefree_part(bound=2).factor()
2 * 5^6 * 101^2
sage: a.squarefree_part(bound=5).factor()
2 * 101^2
sage: a.squarefree_part(bound=1000)
```

```

2
sage: a.squarefree_part(bound=2**14)
2
sage: a = 7^3 * next_prime(2^100)^2 * next_prime(2^200)
sage: a / a.squarefree_part(bound=1000)
49

```

str(base=10)

Return the string representation of self in the given base.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: Integer(2^10).str(2)
'10000000000'
sage: Integer(2^10).str(17)
'394'

sage: two=Integer(2)
sage: two.str(1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: base (=1) must be between 2 and 36

sage: two.str(37)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: base (=37) must be between 2 and 36

sage: big = 10^5000000
sage: s = big.str()           # long time (2s on sage.math, 2014)
sage: len(s)                  # long time (depends on above defn of s)
5000001
sage: s[:10]                  # long time (depends on above defn of s)
'1000000000'

```

support()

Return a sorted list of the primes dividing this integer.

OUTPUT: The sorted list of primes appearing in the factorization of this rational with positive exponent.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: factorial(10).support()
[2, 3, 5, 7]
sage: (-999).support()
[3, 37]

```

Trying to find the support of 0 gives an arithmetic error:

```

sage: 0.support()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: Support of 0 not defined.

```

test_bit(index)

Return the bit at index.

If the index is negative, returns 0.

Although internally a sign-magnitude representation is used for integers, this method pretends to use a two's complement representation. This is illustrated with a negative integer below.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: w = 6
sage: w.str(2)
'110'
sage: w.test_bit(2)
1
sage: w.test_bit(-1)
0
sage: x = -20
sage: x.str(2)
'-10100'
sage: x.test_bit(4)
0
sage: x.test_bit(5)
1
sage: x.test_bit(6)
1
```

trailing_zero_bits()

Return the number of trailing zero bits in self, i.e. the exponent of the largest power of 2 dividing self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 11.trailing_zero_bits()
0
sage: (-11).trailing_zero_bits()
0
sage: (11<<5).trailing_zero_bits()
5
sage: (-11<<5).trailing_zero_bits()
5
sage: 0.trailing_zero_bits()
0
```

trial_division (*bound='LONG_MAX', start=2*)

Return smallest prime divisor of self up to bound, beginning checking at start, or abs(self) if no such divisor is found.

INPUT:

- bound – a positive integer that fits in a C signed long
- start – a positive integer that fits in a C signed long

OUTPUT:

- a positive integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = next_prime(10^6)*next_prime(10^7); n.trial_division()
1000003
sage: (-n).trial_division()
1000003
sage: n.trial_division(bound=100)
10000049000057
sage: n.trial_division(bound=-10)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: bound must be positive
sage: n.trial_division(bound=0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

You can specify a starting point:

$$\text{val_unit}(p)$$

INPUT:

- p - an integer at least 2.

OUTPUT:

- `v_p(self)` - the p -adic valuation of `self`

- $u_p(\text{self}) - \text{self} / p^{v_p(\text{self})}$

EXAMPLE:

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valuation(*p*)Return the *p*-adic valuation of self.

INPUT:

- *p* - an integer at least 2.

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: n = 60
sage: n.valuation(2)
2
sage: n.valuation(3)
1
sage: n.valuation(7)
0
sage: n.valuation(1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: You can only compute the valuation with respect to a integer larger than 1.
```

We do not require that *p* is a prime:

```
sage: (2^11).valuation(4)
5
```

xgcd(*n*)Return the extended gcd of this element and *n*.

INPUT:

- *n* – an integer

OUTPUT:

A triple (*g*, *s*, *t*) such that *g* is the non-negative gcd of *self* and *n*, and *s* and *t* are cofactors satisfying the Bezout identity

$$g = s \cdot \text{self} + t \cdot n.$$

Note: There is no guarantee that the cofactors will be minimal. If you need the cofactors to be minimal use `_xgcd()`. Also, using `_xgcd()` directly might be faster in some cases, see [trac ticket #13628](#).

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 6.xgcd(4)
(2, 1, -1)
```

class `sage.rings.integer.IntegerWrapper`Bases: `sage.rings.integer.Integer`Rationale for the `IntegerWrapper` class:

With `Integers`, the allocation/deallocation function slots are hijacked with custom functions that stick already allocated `Integers` (with initialized `parent` and `mpz_t` fields) into a pool on “deallocation” and then pull them out whenever a new one is needed. Because `Integers` are so common, this is actually a significant savings. However, this does cause issues with subclassing a Python class directly from `Integer` (but that’s ok for a Cython class).

As a workaround, one can instead derive a class from the intermediate class `IntegerWrapper`, which sets statically its `alloc/dealloc` methods to the *original* `Integer` `alloc/dealloc` methods, before they are swapped manually for the custom ones.

The constructor of `IntegerWrapper` further allows for specifying an alternative parent to `IntegerRing()`.

`sage.rings.integer.LCM_list(v)`

Return the LCM of a list `v` of integers. Elements of `v` are converted to Sage integers if they aren't already.

This function is used, e.g., by `rings/arith.py`

INPUT:

• `v` - list or tuple

OUTPUT: integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.integer import LCM_list
sage: w = LCM_list([3, 9, 30]); w
90
sage: type(w)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

The inputs are converted to Sage integers.

```
sage: w = LCM_list([int(3), int(9), '30']); w
90
sage: type(w)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

`sage.rings.integer.free_integer_pool()`

class `sage.rings.integer.int_to_Z`

Bases: `sage.categories.morphism.Morphism`

Morphism from Python ints to Sage integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: f = ZZ.coerce_map_from(int); type(f)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.int_to_Z'>
sage: f(5r)
5
sage: type(f(5r))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: 1 + 2r
3
sage: type(1 + 2r)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

This is intended for internal use by the coercion system, to facilitate fast expressions mixing ints and more complex Python types. Note that (as with all morphisms) the input is forcibly coerced to the domain `int` if it is not already of the correct type which may have undesirable results:

```
sage: f.domain()
Set of Python objects of type 'int'
sage: f(1/3)
0
sage: f(1.7)
1
```


- David Harvey (2008-06): initial version

`sage.rings.bernm.bernm_bern_modp(p, k)`

Computes $B_k \bmod p$, where B_k is the k -th Bernoulli number.

If B_k is not p -integral, returns -1.

INPUT:

p – a prime k – non-negative integer

COMPLEXITY:

Pretty much linear in $\$p\$$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.bernm import bernm_bern_modp
```

```
sage: bernoulli(0) % 5, bernm_bern_modp(5, 0)
(1, 1)
```

```
sage: bernoulli(1) % 5, bernm_bern_modp(5, 1)
(2, 2)
```

```
sage: bernoulli(2) % 5, bernm_bern_modp(5, 2)
(1, 1)
```

```
sage: bernoulli(3) % 5, bernm_bern_modp(5, 3)
(0, 0)
```

```
sage: bernoulli(4), bernm_bern_modp(5, 4)
(-1/30, -1)
```

```
sage: bernoulli(18) % 5, bernm_bern_modp(5, 18)
(4, 4)
```

```
sage: bernoulli(19) % 5, bernm_bern_modp(5, 19)
(0, 0)
```

```
sage: p = 10000019; k = 1000
```

```
sage: bernoulli(k) % p
1972762
```

```
sage: bernm_bern_modp(p, k)
1972762
```

`sage.rings.bernm.bernm_bern_rat(k, num_threads=1)`

Computes k -th Bernoulli number using a multimodular algorithm. (Wrapper for `bernm` library.)

INPUT:

- k – non-negative integer

- `num_threads` – integer ≥ 1 , number of threads to use

COMPLEXITY:

Pretty much quadratic in $\$k\$$. See the paper “A multimodular algorithm for computing Bernoulli numbers”, David Harvey, 2008, for more details.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.bernm import bernm_bern_rat
```

```
sage: bernm_bern_rat(0)
1
```

```
sage: bernm_bern_rat(1)
-1/2
```

```
sage: bernm_bern_rat(2)
1/6
```

```

sage: bernmm_bern_rat(3)
0
sage: bernmm_bern_rat(100)
-94598037819122125295227433069493721872702841533066936133385696204311395415197247711/33330
sage: bernmm_bern_rat(100, 3)
-94598037819122125295227433069493721872702841533066936133385696204311395415197247711/33330

```

TESTS:

```

sage: lst1 = [ bernoulli(2*k, algorithm='bernmm', num_threads=2) for k in [2932, 2957, 3443, 3962, 3973] ]
sage: lst2 = [ bernoulli(2*k, algorithm='pari') for k in [2932, 2957, 3443, 3962, 3973] ]
sage: lst1 == lst2
True
sage: [ Zmod(101)(t) for t in lst1 ]
[77, 72, 89, 98, 86]
sage: [ Zmod(101)(t) for t in lst2 ]
[77, 72, 89, 98, 86]

```

1.4 Bernoulli numbers modulo p

AUTHOR:

- David Harvey (2006-07-26): initial version
- William Stein (2006-07-28): some touch up.
- David Harvey (2006-08-06): new, faster algorithm, also using faster NTL interface
- David Harvey (2007-08-31): algorithm for a single Bernoulli number mod p
- David Harvey (2008-06): added interface to bernmm, removed old code

`sage.rings.bernoulli_mod_p.bernoulli_mod_p(p)`

Returns the bernoulli numbers B_0, B_2, \dots, B_{p-3} modulo p .

INPUT:

p – integer, a prime

OUTPUT:

list – Bernoulli numbers modulo p as a list of integers $[B(0), B(2), \dots, B(p-3)]$.

ALGORITHM:

Described in accompanying latex file.

PERFORMANCE:

Should be complexity $O(p \log p)$.

EXAMPLES:

Check the results against PARI's C-library implementation (that computes exact rationals) for $p = 37$:

```

sage: bernoulli_mod_p(37)
[1, 31, 16, 15, 16, 4, 17, 32, 22, 31, 15, 15, 17, 12, 29, 2, 0, 2]
sage: [bernoulli(n) % 37 for n in xrange(0, 36, 2)]
[1, 31, 16, 15, 16, 4, 17, 32, 22, 31, 15, 15, 17, 12, 29, 2, 0, 2]

```

Boundary case:

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p(3)
[1]
```

AUTHOR:

– David Harvey (2006-08-06)

```
sage.rings.bernoulli_mod_p.bernoulli_mod_p_single(p, k)
```

Returns the bernoulli number $B_k \bmod p$.

If B_k is not p -integral, an ArithmeticError is raised.

INPUT:

p – integer, a prime k – non-negative integer

OUTPUT:

The k -th bernoulli number mod p .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p_single(1009, 48)
628
```

```
sage: bernoulli(48) % 1009
628
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p_single(1, 5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: p (=1) must be a prime >= 3
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p_single(100, 4)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: p (=100) must be a prime
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p_single(19, 5)
0
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p_single(19, 18)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: B_k is not integral at p
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p_single(19, -4)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: k must be non-negative
```

Check results against `bernoulli_mod_p`:

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p(37)
[1, 31, 16, 15, 16, 4, 17, 32, 22, 31, 15, 15, 17, 12, 29, 2, 0, 2]
sage: [bernoulli_mod_p_single(37, n) % 37 for n in xrange(0, 36, 2)]
[1, 31, 16, 15, 16, 4, 17, 32, 22, 31, 15, 15, 17, 12, 29, 2, 0, 2]
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p(31)
[1, 26, 1, 17, 1, 9, 11, 27, 14, 23, 13, 22, 14, 8, 14]
sage: [bernoulli_mod_p_single(31, n) % 31 for n in xrange(0, 30, 2)]
[1, 26, 1, 17, 1, 9, 11, 27, 14, 23, 13, 22, 14, 8, 14]
```

```
sage: bernoulli_mod_p(3)
[1]
sage: [bernoulli_mod_p_single(3, n) % 3 for n in xrange(0, 2, 2)]
[1]

sage: bernoulli_mod_p(5)
[1, 1]
sage: [bernoulli_mod_p_single(5, n) % 5 for n in xrange(0, 4, 2)]
[1, 1]

sage: bernoulli_mod_p(7)
[1, 6, 3]
sage: [bernoulli_mod_p_single(7, n) % 7 for n in xrange(0, 6, 2)]
[1, 6, 3]
```

AUTHOR:

– David Harvey (2007-08-31) – David Harvey (2008-06): rewrote to use bernmm library

`sage.rings.bernoulli_mod_p.verify_bernoulli_mod_p(data)`

Computes checksum for bernoulli numbers.

It checks the identity

$$\sum_{n=0}^{(p-3)/2} 2^{2n}(2n+1)B_{2n} \equiv -2 \pmod{p}$$

(see “Irregular Primes to One Million”, Buhler et al)

INPUT:

data – list, same format as output of `bernoulli_mod_p` function

OUTPUT:

bool – True if checksum passed

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.bernoulli_mod_p import verify_bernoulli_mod_p
sage: verify_bernoulli_mod_p(bernoulli_mod_p(next_prime(3)))
True
sage: verify_bernoulli_mod_p(bernoulli_mod_p(next_prime(1000)))
True
sage: verify_bernoulli_mod_p([1, 2, 4, 5, 4])
True
sage: verify_bernoulli_mod_p([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
False
```

This one should test that long longs are working:

```
sage: verify_bernoulli_mod_p(bernoulli_mod_p(next_prime(20000)))
True
```

AUTHOR: David Harvey

1.5 Integer factorization functions

AUTHORS:

- Andre Apitzsch (2011-01-13): initial version

`sage.rings.factorint.aurifeuillian` ($n, m, F=None, check=True$)

Return the Aurifeuillian factors $F_n^{\pm}(m^2n)$.

This is based off Theorem 3 of [Brent93].

INPUT:

- n – integer
- m – integer
- F – integer (default: None)
- $check$ – boolean (default: True)

OUTPUT:

A list of factors.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.factorint import aurifeuillian
sage: aurifeuillian(2,2)
[5, 13]
sage: aurifeuillian(2,2^5)
[1985, 2113]
sage: aurifeuillian(5,3)
[1471, 2851]
sage: aurifeuillian(15,1)
[19231, 142111]
sage: aurifeuillian(12,3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: n has to be square-free
sage: aurifeuillian(1,2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: n has to be greater than 1
sage: aurifeuillian(2,0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: m has to be positive
```

Note: There is no need to set F . It's only for increasing speed of `factor_aurifeuillian()`.

REFERENCES:

`sage.rings.factorint.factor_aurifeuillian` ($n, check=True$)

Return Aurifeuillian factors of n if $n = x^{(2k-1)x} \pm 1$ (where the sign is '-' if $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, and '+' otherwise) else n

INPUT:

- n – integer

OUTPUT:

List of factors of n found by Aurifeuillian factorization.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.rings.factorint import factor_aurifeuillian as fa
sage: fa(2^6+1)
[5, 13]
sage: fa(2^58+1)
[536838145, 536903681]
sage: fa(3^3+1)
[4, 1, 7]
sage: fa(5^5-1)
[4, 11, 71]
sage: prod(_) == 5^5-1
True
sage: fa(2^4+1)
[17]
sage: fa((6^2*3)^3+1)
[109, 91, 127]

```

TESTS:

```

sage: for n in [2, 3, 5, 6, 30, 31, 33]:
.....:     for m in [8, 96, 109201283]:
.....:         s = -1 if n % 4 == 1 else 1
.....:         y = (m^2*n)^n + s
.....:         F = fa(y)
.....:         assert(len(F) > 0 and prod(F) == y)

```

REFERENCES:

- <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/AurifeuillianFactorization.html>
- [Brent93] Theorem 3

`sage.rings.factorint.factor_cunningham(m, proof=None)`

Return factorization of self obtained using trial division for all primes in the so called Cunningham table. This is efficient if self has some factors of type $b^n + 1$ or $b^n - 1$, with b in $\{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12\}$.

You need to install an optional package to use this method, this can be done with the following command line:
`sage -i cunningham_tables`.

INPUT:

- `proof` – bool (default: None); whether or not to prove primality of each factor, this is only for factors not in the Cunningham table

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.rings.factorint import factor_cunningham
sage: factor_cunningham(2^257-1) # optional - cunningham
535006138814359 * 1155685395246619182673033 * 374550598501810936581776630096313181393
sage: factor_cunningham((3^101+1)*(2^60).next_prime(), proof=False) # optional - cunningham
2^2 * 379963 * 1152921504606847009 * 1017291527198723292208309354658785077827527

```

`sage.rings.factorint.factor_trial_division(m, limit='LONG_MAX')`

Return partial factorization of self obtained using trial division for all primes up to limit, where limit must fit in a C signed long.

INPUT:

- `limit` – integer (default: LONG_MAX) that fits in a C signed long

EXAMPLES:


```

sage: from sage.rings.factorint import factor_trial_division
sage: n = 920384092842390423848290348203948092384082349082
sage: factor_trial_division(n, 1000)
2 * 11 * 41835640583745019265831379463815822381094652231
sage: factor_trial_division(n, 2000)
2 * 11 * 1531 * 27325696005058797691594630609938486205809701

```

TESTS:

Test that trac ticket #13692 is solved:

```

sage: from sage.rings.factorint import factor_trial_division
sage: list(factor_trial_division(8))
[(2, 3)]

```

`sage.rings.factorint.factor_using_pari(n, int_=False, debug_level=0, proof=None)`

Factor this integer using PARI.

This function returns a list of pairs, not a Factorization object. The first element of each pair is the factor, of type Integer if `int_` is False or `int` otherwise, the second element is the positive exponent, of type `int`.

INPUT:

- `int_` – (default: False), whether the factors are of type `int` instead of `Integer`
- `debug_level` – (default: 0), debug level of the call to PARI
- `proof` – (default: None), whether the factors are required to be proven prime; if None, the global default is used

OUTPUT:

A list of pairs.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: factor(-2**72 + 3, algorithm='pari') # indirect doctest
-1 * 83 * 131 * 294971519 * 1472414939

```

Check that PARI's debug level is properly reset (trac ticket #18792):

```

sage: alarm(0.5); factor(2^1000 - 1, verbose=5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
AlarmInterrupt
sage: pari.get_debug_level()
0

```

1.6 Basic arithmetic with C integers

`class sage.rings.fast_arith.arith_int`

Bases: object

`gcd_int(a, b)`

`inverse_mod_int(a, m)`

`rational_recon_int(a, m)`

Rational reconstruction of a modulo m.

`xgcd_int(a, b)`

`class sage.rings.fast_arith.arith_llong`
 Bases: object

`gcd_longlong(a, b)`

`inverse_mod_longlong(a, m)`

`rational_recon_longlong(a, m)`

Rational reconstruction of a modulo m.

`sage.rings.fast_arith.prime_range(start, stop=None, algorithm='pari_primes', py_ints=False)`

List of all primes between start and stop-1, inclusive. If the second argument is omitted, returns the primes up to the first argument.

This function is closely related to (and can use) the primes iterator. Use algorithm “pari_primes” when both start and stop are not too large, since in all cases this function makes a table of primes up to stop. If both are large, use algorithm “pari_isprime” instead.

Algorithm “pari_primes” is faster for most input, but crashes for larger input. Algorithm “pari_isprime” is slower but will work for much larger input.

INPUT:

- start – lower bound

- stop – upper bound

- algorithm – string, one of:

- “pari_primes”: Uses PARI’s primes function. Generates all primes up to stop. Depends on PARI’s primepi function.

- “pari_isprime”: Uses a mod 2 wheel and PARI’s isprime function by calling the primes iterator.

- py_ints – boolean (default False), return Python ints rather than Sage Integers (faster)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: prime_range(10)
```

```
[2, 3, 5, 7]
```

```
sage: prime_range(7)
```

```
[2, 3, 5]
```

```
sage: prime_range(2000, 2020)
```

```
[2003, 2011, 2017]
```

```
sage: prime_range(2, 2)
```

```
[]
```

```
sage: prime_range(2, 3)
```

```
[2]
```

```
sage: prime_range(5, 10)
```

```
[5, 7]
```

```
sage: prime_range(-100, 10, "pari_isprime")
```

```
[2, 3, 5, 7]
```

```
sage: prime_range(2, 2, algorithm="pari_isprime")
```

```
[]
```

```
sage: prime_range(10**16, 10**16+100, "pari_isprime")
```

```
[100000000000000061, 100000000000000069, 100000000000000079, 100000000000000099]
```

```
sage: prime_range(10**30, 10**30+100, "pari_isprime")
```

```
[100000000000000000000000000000057, 100000000000000000000000000000099]
```

```
sage: type(prime_range(8)[0])
```

```
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

```
sage: type(prime_range(8,algorithm="pari_isprime")[0])
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

TESTS:

```
sage: prime_range(-1)
[]
sage: L = prime_range(25000,2500000)
sage: len(L)
180310
sage: L[-10:]
[2499923, 2499941, 2499943, 2499947, 2499949, 2499953, 2499967, 2499983, 2499989, 2499997]
```

A non-trivial range without primes:

```
sage: prime_range(4652360, 4652400)
[]
```

AUTHORS:

- William Stein (original version)
- Craig Citro (rewrote for massive speedup)
- Kevin Stueve (added primes iterator option) 2010-10-16
- Robert Bradshaw (speedup using Pari prime table, py_ints option)

1.7 Fast decomposition of small integers into sums of squares

Implement fast version of decomposition of (small) integers into sum of squares by direct method not relying on factorisation.

AUTHORS:

- Vincent Delecroix (2014): first implementation ([trac ticket #16374](#))

```
sage.rings.sum_of_squares.four_squares_pyx(n)
```

Return a 4-tuple of non-negative integers (i, j, k, l) such that $i^2 + j^2 + k^2 + l^2 = n$ and $i \leq j \leq k \leq l$.

The input must be lesser than $2^{32} = 4294967296$, otherwise an `OverflowError` is raised.

See also:

`four_squares()` is much more suited for large input

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.sum_of_squares import four_squares_pyx
sage: four_squares_pyx(15447)
(2, 5, 17, 123)
sage: 2^2 + 5^2 + 17^2 + 123^2
15447

sage: four_squares_pyx(523439)
(3, 5, 26, 723)
sage: 3^2 + 5^2 + 26^2 + 723^2
523439

sage: four_squares_pyx(2**32)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
OverflowError: ...
```

TESTS:

```
sage: four_squares_pyx(0)
(0, 0, 0, 0)

sage: s = lambda (x,y,z,t): x**2 + y**2 + z**2 + t**2
sage: all(s(four_squares_pyx(n)) == n for n in xrange(5000,10000))
True
```

`sage.rings.sum_of_squares.is_sum_of_two_squares_pyx(n)`

Return True if n is a sum of two squares and False otherwise.

The input must be smaller than $2^{32} = 4294967296$, otherwise an `OverflowError` is raised.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.sum_of_squares import is_sum_of_two_squares_pyx
sage: filter(is_sum_of_two_squares_pyx, range(30))
[0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 16, 17, 18, 20, 25, 26, 29]

sage: is_sum_of_two_squares_pyx(2**32)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
OverflowError: ...
```

`sage.rings.sum_of_squares.three_squares_pyx(n)`

If n is a sum of three squares return a 3-tuple (i, j, k) of Sage integers such that $i^2 + j^2 + k^2 = n$ and $i \leq j \leq k$. Otherwise raise a `ValueError`.

The input must be lesser than $2^{32} = 4294967296$, otherwise an `OverflowError` is raised.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.sum_of_squares import three_squares_pyx
sage: three_squares_pyx(0)
(0, 0, 0)
sage: three_squares_pyx(1)
(0, 0, 1)
sage: three_squares_pyx(2)
(0, 1, 1)
sage: three_squares_pyx(3)
(1, 1, 1)
sage: three_squares_pyx(4)
(0, 0, 2)
sage: three_squares_pyx(5)
(0, 1, 2)
sage: three_squares_pyx(6)
(1, 1, 2)
sage: three_squares_pyx(7)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 7 is not a sum of 3 squares
sage: three_squares_pyx(107)
(1, 5, 9)

sage: three_squares_pyx(2**32)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
```

```
OverflowError: ...
```

TESTS:

```
sage: s = lambda (x,y,z) : x**2 + y**2 + z**2
sage: for ijk in Subsets(Subsets(35000,15).random_element(),3):
....:     if s(three_squares_pyx(s(ijk))) != s(ijk):
....:         print "hey"
```

```
sage.rings.sum_of_squares.two_squares_pyx(n)
```

Return a pair of non-negative integers (i, j) such that $i^2 + j^2 = n$.

If n is not a sum of two squares, a `ValueError` is raised. The input must be lesser than $2^{32} = 4294967296$, otherwise an `OverflowError` is raised.

See also:

`two_squares()` is much more suited for large inputs

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.sum_of_squares import two_squares_pyx
sage: two_squares_pyx(0)
(0, 0)
sage: two_squares_pyx(1)
(0, 1)
sage: two_squares_pyx(2)
(1, 1)
sage: two_squares_pyx(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 3 is not a sum of 2 squares
sage: two_squares_pyx(106)
(5, 9)

sage: two_squares_pyx(2**32)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
OverflowError: ...
```

TESTS:

```
sage: s = lambda (x,y) : x**2 + y**2
sage: for ij in Subsets(Subsets(45000,15).random_element(),2):
....:     if s(two_squares_pyx(s(ij))) != s(ij):
....:         print "hey"

sage: for n in xrange(1,65536):
....:     if two_squares_pyx(n**2) != (0, n):
....:         print "hey"
....:     if two_squares_pyx(n**2+1) != (1, n):
....:         print "ho"
```

1.8 Utility classes for multi-modular algorithms

```
class sage.ext.multi_modular.MultiModularBasis
```

```
    Bases: sage.ext.multi_modular.MultiModularBasis_base
```

Class used for storing a MultiModular bases of a fixed length.

class `sage.ext.multi_modular.MultiModularBasis_base`

Bases: object

This class stores a list of machine-sized prime numbers, and can do reduction and Chinese Remainder Theorem lifting modulo these primes.

Lifting implemented via Garner's algorithm, which has the advantage that all reductions are word-sized. For each i precompute

$$s_{prod_j} = 1^{i-1} m_j \text{ and } s_{prod_j} = 1^{i-1} m_j^{-1} \pmod{m_i}$$

This class can be initialized in two ways, either with a list of prime moduli or an upper bound for the product of the prime moduli. The prime moduli is generated automatically in the second case:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([3, 5, 7]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [3, 5, 7]
```

```
sage: height = 52348798724
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base(height); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [4561, 17351, 28499]
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base(height); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [32573, 4339, 30859]
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base(height); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [16451, 14323, 28631]
```

```
sage: mm.prod()//height
128
```

TESTS:

```
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base((3,5,7)); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [3, 5, 7]
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base(primes(10,20)); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [11, 13, 17, 19]
```

There is no overflow if the modulus is below MAX_MODULUS

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MAX_MODULUS
sage: p0 = previous_prime(MAX_MODULUS)
sage: p1 = previous_prime(p0)
sage: MultiModularBasis_base([p0, p1]).crt([p0-1, p1-1])
-1
```

If we add another bit to the prime length then there is an overflow, as expected:

```
sage: p0 = previous_prime(2*MAX_MODULUS)
sage: p1 = previous_prime(p0)
sage: MultiModularBasis_base([p0, p1]).crt([p0-1, p1-1])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: given modulus cannot be manipulated in a single machine word
```

crt (b)

Calculate lift mod $\prod_{i=0}^{len(b)-1} m_i$.

In the case that offset > 0, $z[j]$ remains unchanged mod $\prod_{i=0}^{offset-1} m_i$

INPUT:

- b - a list of length at most self.n

OUTPUT:

Integer z where $z = b[i] \bmod m_i$ for $0 \leq i < \text{len}(b)$

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([10007, 10009, 10037, 10039, 17351])
sage: res = mm.crt([3,5,7,9]); res
8474803647063985
sage: res % 10007
3
sage: res % 10009
5
sage: res % 10037
7
sage: res % 10039
9
```

extend_with_primes (*plist*, *partial_products=None*, *check=True*)

Extend the stored list of moduli with the given primes in *plist*.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([1009, 10007]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [1009, 10007]
sage: mm.extend_with_primes([10037, 10039])
4
sage: mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [1009, 10007, 10037, 10039]
```

list ()

Return a list with the prime moduli.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([46307, 10007])
sage: mm.list()
[46307, 10007]
```

partial_product (*n*)

Returns a list containing precomputed partial products.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([46307, 10007]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [46307, 10007]
sage: mm.partial_product(0)
46307
sage: mm.partial_product(1)
463394149
```

TESTS:

```
sage: mm.partial_product(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
IndexError: beyond bound for multi-modular prime list
sage: mm.partial_product(-2)
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
IndexError: negative index not valid
```

precomputation_list()

Returns a list of the precomputed coefficients

$$\prod_j = 1^{i-1} m_j^{-1} (\text{mod } m_i)$$

where m_i are the prime moduli.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([46307, 10007]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [46307, 10007]
sage: mm.precomputation_list()
[1, 4013]
```

prod()

Returns the product of the prime moduli.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MultiModularBasis_base
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([46307]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [46307]
sage: mm.prod()
46307
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([46307, 10007]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [46307, 10007]
sage: mm.prod()
463394149
```

TESTS:

```
sage: mm = MultiModularBasis_base([]); mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli []
sage: len(mm)
0
sage: mm.prod()
1
```

class sage.ext.multi_modular.MutableMultiModularBasis

Bases: `sage.ext.multi_modular.MultiModularBasis`

Class used for performing multi-modular methods, with the possibility of removing bad primes.

next_prime()

Picks a new random prime between the bounds given during the initialization of this object, updates the precomputed data, and returns the new prime modulus.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MutableMultiModularBasis
sage: mm = MutableMultiModularBasis([10007])
sage: mm.next_prime()
4561          # 64-bit
4561L         # 32-bit
sage: mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [10007, 4561]
```


replace_prime(*ix*)

Replace the prime moduli at the given index with a different one, update the precomputed data accordingly, and return the new prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.ext.multi_modular import MutableMultiModularBasis
sage: mm = MutableMultiModularBasis([10007, 10009, 10037, 10039])
sage: mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [10007, 10009, 10037, 10039]
sage: mm.prod()
10092272478850909
sage: mm.precomputation_list()
[1, 5004, 6536, 6060]
sage: mm.partial_product(2)
1005306552331
sage: mm.replace_prime(1)
4561          # 64-bit
4561L         # 32-bit
sage: mm
MultiModularBasis with moduli [10007, 4561, 10037, 10039]
sage: mm.prod()
4598946425820661
sage: mm.precomputation_list()
[1, 2314, 3274, 3013]
sage: mm.partial_product(2)
458108021299
```

1.9 Miscellaneous arithmetic functions

`sage.arith.misc.CRT(a, b, m=None, n=None)`

Returns a solution to a Chinese Remainder Theorem problem.

INPUT:

- *a, b* - two residues (elements of some ring for which extended gcd is available), or two lists, one of residues and one of moduli.
- *m, n* - (default: `None`) two moduli, or `None`.

OUTPUT:

If *m, n* are not `None`, returns a solution *x* to the simultaneous congruences $x \equiv a \pmod{m}$ and $x \equiv b \pmod{n}$, if one exists. By the Chinese Remainder Theorem, a solution to the simultaneous congruences exists if and only if $a \equiv b \pmod{\gcd(m, n)}$. The solution *x* is only well-defined modulo $\text{lcm}(m, n)$.

If *a* and *b* are lists, returns a simultaneous solution to the congruences $x \equiv a_i \pmod{b_i}$, if one exists.

See also:

- `CRT_list()`

EXAMPLES:

Using `crt` by giving it pairs of residues and moduli:

```
sage: crt(2, 1, 3, 5)
11
sage: crt(13, 20, 100, 301)
28013
sage: crt([2, 1], [3, 5])
11
sage: crt([13, 20], [100, 301])
28013
```

You can also use upper case:

```
sage: c = CRT(2, 3, 3, 5); c
8
sage: c % 3 == 2
True
sage: c % 5 == 3
True
```

Note that this also works for polynomial rings:

```
sage: K.<a> = NumberField(x^3 - 7)
sage: R.<y> = K[]
sage: f = y^2 + 3
sage: g = y^3 - 5
sage: CRT(1, 3, f, g)
-3/26*y^4 + 5/26*y^3 + 15/26*y + 53/26
sage: CRT(1, a, f, g)
(-3/52*a + 3/52)*y^4 + (5/52*a - 5/52)*y^3 + (15/52*a - 15/52)*y + 27/52*a + 25/52
```

You can also do this for any number of moduli:

```
sage: K.<a> = NumberField(x^3 - 7)
sage: R.<x> = K[]
sage: CRT([], [])
0
sage: CRT([a], [x])
a
sage: f = x^2 + 3
sage: g = x^3 - 5
sage: h = x^5 + x^2 - 9
sage: k = CRT([1, a, 3], [f, g, h]); k
(127/26988*a - 5807/386828)*x^9 + (45/8996*a - 33677/1160484)*x^8 + (2/173*a - 6/173)*x^7 + (133/173)*x^6 + (1/173)*x^5 + (1/173)*x^4 + (1/173)*x^3 + (1/173)*x^2 + (1/173)*x + (1/173)
sage: k.mod(f)
1
sage: k.mod(g)
a
sage: k.mod(h)
3
```

If the moduli are not coprime, a solution may not exist:

```
sage: crt(4, 8, 8, 12)
20
sage: crt(4, 6, 8, 12)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: No solution to crt problem since gcd(8,12) does not divide 4-6

sage: x = polygen(QQ)
sage: crt(2, 3, x-1, x+1)
```

```

-1/2*x + 5/2
sage: crt(2,x,x^2-1,x^2+1)
-1/2*x^3 + x^2 + 1/2*x + 1
sage: crt(2,x,x^2-1,x^3-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: No solution to crt problem since gcd(x^2 - 1,x^3 - 1) does not divide 2-x

sage: crt(int(2), int(3), int(7), int(11))
58

```

`sage.arith.misc.CRT_basis(moduli)`
Returns a CRT basis for the given moduli.

INPUT:

- **moduli** - list of pairwise coprime moduli m which admit an extended Euclidean algorithm

OUTPUT:

- a list of elements a_i of the same length as m such that a_i is congruent to 1 modulo m_i and to 0 modulo m_j for $j \neq i$.

Note: The pairwise coprimality of the input is not checked.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: a1 = ZZ(mod(42,5))
sage: a2 = ZZ(mod(42,13))
sage: c1,c2 = CRT_basis([5,13])
sage: mod(a1*c1+a2*c2,5*13)
42

A polynomial example:
sage: x=polygen(QQ)
sage: mods = [x,x^2+1,2*x-3]
sage: b = CRT_basis(mods)
sage: b
[-2/3*x^3 + x^2 - 2/3*x + 1, 6/13*x^3 - x^2 + 6/13*x, 8/39*x^3 + 8/39*x]
sage: [[bi % mj for mj in mods] for bi in b]
[[1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1]]

```

`sage.arith.misc.CRT_list(v,moduli)`

Given a list v of elements and a list of corresponding moduli, find a single element that reduces to each element of v modulo the corresponding moduli.

See also:

- `crt()`

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: CRT_list([2,3,2], [3,5,7])
23
sage: x = polygen(QQ)
sage: c = CRT_list([3], [x]); c
3
sage: c.parent()
Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field

```

It also works if the moduli are not coprime:

```
sage: CRT_list([32,2,2],[60,90,150])
452
```

But with non coprime moduli there is not always a solution:

```
sage: CRT_list([32,2,1],[60,90,150])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: No solution to crt problem since gcd(180,150) does not divide 92-1
```

The arguments must be lists:

```
sage: CRT_list([1,2,3],"not a list")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Arguments to CRT_list should be lists
sage: CRT_list("not a list",[2,3])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Arguments to CRT_list should be lists
```

The list of moduli must have the same length as the list of elements:

```
sage: CRT_list([1,2,3],[2,3,5])
23
sage: CRT_list([1,2,3],[2,3])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Arguments to CRT_list should be lists of the same length
sage: CRT_list([1,2,3],[2,3,5,7])
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Arguments to CRT_list should be lists of the same length
```

TESTS:

```
sage: CRT([32r,2r,2r],[60r,90r,150r])
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```

`sage.arith.misc.CRT_vectors(X, moduli)`

Vector form of the Chinese Remainder Theorem: given a list of integer vectors v_i and a list of coprime moduli m_i , find a vector w such that $w = v_i \pmod{m_i}$ for all i . This is more efficient than applying `CRT()` to each entry.

INPUT:

- *X* - list or tuple, consisting of lists/tuples/vectors/etc of integers of the same length
- *moduli* - list of $\text{len}(X)$ moduli

OUTPUT:

- list - application of CRT componentwise.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CRT_vectors([[3,5,7],[3,5,11]], [2,3])
[3, 5, 5]
```

```
sage: CRT_vectors([vector(ZZ, [2,3,1]), Sequence([1,7,8],ZZ)], [8,9])
[10, 43, 17]
```

class sage.arith.misc.**Euler_Phi**

Return the value of the Euler phi function on the integer n . We defined this to be the number of positive integers $\leq n$ that are relatively prime to n . Thus if $n \leq 0$ then `euler_phi(n)` is defined and equals 0.

INPUT:

- n - an integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: euler_phi(1)
1
sage: euler_phi(2)
1
sage: euler_phi(3)
2
sage: euler_phi(12)
4
sage: euler_phi(37)
36
```

Notice that `euler_phi` is defined to be 0 on negative numbers and 0.

```
sage: euler_phi(-1)
0
sage: euler_phi(0)
0
sage: type(euler_phi(0))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

We verify directly that the phi function is correct for 21.

```
sage: euler_phi(21)
12
sage: [i for i in range(21) if gcd(21,i) == 1]
[1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20]
```

The length of the list of integers 'i' in `range(n)` such that the `gcd(i,n) == 1` equals `euler_phi(n)`.

```
sage: len([i for i in range(21) if gcd(21,i) == 1]) == euler_phi(21)
True
```

The phi function also has a special plotting method.

```
sage: P = plot(euler_phi, -3, 71)
```

AUTHORS:

- William Stein
- Alex Clemesha (2006-01-10): some examples

plot (*xmin=1, xmax=50, pointsize=30, rgbcolor=(0, 0, 1), join=True, **kws*)
Plot the Euler phi function.

INPUT:

- *xmin* - default: 1
- *xmax* - default: 50

- `pointsizes` - default: 30
- `rgbcolor` - default: (0,0,1)
- `join` - default: True; whether to join the points.
- `**kwds` - passed on

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: p = Euler_Phi().plot()
sage: p.ymax()
46.0
```

`sage.arith.misc.GCD(a, b=None, **kwargs)`

The greatest common divisor of a and b , or if a is a list and b is omitted the greatest common divisor of all elements of a .

INPUT:

- a, b - two elements of a ring with gcd or
- a - a list or tuple of elements of a ring with gcd

Additional keyword arguments are passed to the respectively called methods.

OUTPUT:

The given elements are first coerced into a common parent. Then, their greatest common divisor *in that common parent* is returned.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: GCD(97, 100)
1
sage: GCD(97*10^15, 19^20*97^2)
97
sage: GCD(2/3, 4/5)
2/15
sage: GCD([2, 4, 6, 8])
2
sage: GCD(srange(0, 10000, 10)) # fast !!
10
```

Note that to take the gcd of n elements for $n \neq 2$ you must put the elements into a list by enclosing them in `[...]`. Before #4988 the following wrongly returned 3 since the third parameter was just ignored:

```
sage: gcd(3, 6, 2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: gcd() takes at most 2 arguments (3 given)
sage: gcd([3, 6, 2])
1
```

Similarly, giving just one element (which is not a list) gives an error:

```
sage: gcd(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: 'sage.rings.integer.Integer' object is not iterable
```

By convention, the gcd of the empty list is (the integer) 0:

```
sage: gcd([])
0
sage: type(gcd([]))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

TESTS:

The following shows that indeed coercion takes place before computing the gcd. This behaviour was introduced in [trac ticket #10771](#):

```
sage: R.<x>=QQ[]
sage: S.<x>=ZZ[]
sage: p = S.random_element(degree=(0,10))
sage: q = R.random_element(degree=(0,10))
sage: parent(gcd(1/p,q))
Fraction Field of Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field
sage: parent(gcd([1/p,q]))
Fraction Field of Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field
```

Make sure we try QQ and not merely ZZ ([trac ticket #13014](#)):

```
sage: bool(gcd(2/5, 3/7) == gcd(SR(2/5), SR(3/7)))
True
```

Make sure that the gcd of Expressions stays symbolic:

```
sage: parent(gcd(2, 4))
Integer Ring
sage: parent(gcd(SR(2), 4))
Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(gcd(2, SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(gcd(SR(2), SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
```

Verify that objects without gcd methods but which can't be coerced to ZZ or QQ raise an error:

```
sage: F.<a,b> = FreeMonoid(2)
sage: gcd(a,b)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to find gcd
```

`sage.arith.misc.LCM(a, b=None)`

The least common multiple of a and b, or if a is a list and b is omitted the least common multiple of all elements of a.

Note that LCM is an alias for lcm.

INPUT:

- a, b - two elements of a ring with lcm or
- a - a list or tuple of elements of a ring with lcm

OUTPUT:

First, the given elements are coerced into a common parent. Then, their least common multiple *in that parent* is returned.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: lcm(97,100)
9700
sage: LCM(97,100)
9700
sage: LCM(0,2)
0
sage: LCM(-3,-5)
15
sage: LCM([1,2,3,4,5])
60
sage: v = LCM(range(1,10000))    # *very* fast!
sage: len(str(v))
4349
```

TESTS:

The following tests against a bug that was fixed in [trac ticket #10771](#):

```
sage: lcm(4/1,2)
4
```

The following shows that indeed coercion takes place before computing the least common multiple:

```
sage: R.<x>=QQ[]
sage: S.<x>=ZZ[]
sage: p = S.random_element(degree=(0,5))
sage: q = R.random_element(degree=(0,5))
sage: parent(lcm([1/p,q]))
Fraction Field of Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field
```

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Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(lcm(2, SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
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Symbolic Ring
```

Verify that objects without lcm methods but which can't be coerced to ZZ or QQ raise an error:

```
sage: F.<a,b> = FreeMonoid(2)
sage: lcm(a,b)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to find lcm
```

Check rational and integers ([trac ticket #17852](#)):

```
sage: lcm(1/2, 4)
4
sage: lcm(4, 1/2)
4
```


class `sage.arith.misc.Moebius`

Returns the value of the Moebius function of $\text{abs}(n)$, where n is an integer.

DEFINITION: $\mu(n)$ is 0 if n is not square free, and otherwise equals $(-1)^r$, where n has r distinct prime factors.

For simplicity, if $n = 0$ we define $\mu(n) = 0$.

IMPLEMENTATION: Factors or - for integers - uses the PARI C library.

INPUT:

- n - anything that can be factored.

OUTPUT: 0, 1, or -1

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: moebius(-5)
-1
sage: moebius(9)
0
sage: moebius(12)
0
sage: moebius(-35)
1
sage: moebius(-1)
1
sage: moebius(7)
-1

sage: moebius(0) # potentially nonstandard!
0
```

The moebius function even makes sense for non-integer inputs.

```
sage: x = GF(7)['x'].0
sage: moebius(x+2)
-1
```

plot ($xmin=0, xmax=50, pointsize=30, rgbcolor=(0, 0, 1), join=True, **kwds$)

Plot the Moebius function.

INPUT:

- $xmin$ - default: 0
- $xmax$ - default: 50
- $pointsize$ - default: 30
- $rgbcolor$ - default: (0,0,1)
- $join$ - default: True; whether to join the points (very helpful in seeing their order).
- $**kwds$ - passed on

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: p = Moebius().plot()
sage: p.ymax()
1.0
```

range ($start, stop=None, step=None$)

Return the Moebius function evaluated at the given range of values, i.e., the image of the list `range(start, stop, step)` under the Moebius function.

This is much faster than directly computing all these values with a list comprehension.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: v = moebius.range(-10,10); v
[1, 0, 0, -1, 1, -1, 0, -1, -1, 1, 0, 1, -1, -1, 0, -1, 1, -1, 0, 0]
sage: v == [moebius(n) for n in range(-10,10)]
True
sage: v = moebius.range(-1000, 2000, 4)
sage: v == [moebius(n) for n in range(-1000,2000, 4)]
True
```

class sage.arith.misc.**Sigma**

Return the sum of the k-th powers of the divisors of n.

INPUT:

- n - integer
- k - integer (default: 1)

OUTPUT: integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sigma(5)
6
sage: sigma(5,2)
26
```

The sigma function also has a special plotting method.

```
sage: P = plot(sigma, 1, 100)
```

This method also works with k-th powers.

```
sage: P = plot(sigma, 1, 100, k=2)
```

AUTHORS:

- William Stein: original implementation
- Craig Citro (2007-06-01): rewrote for huge speedup

TESTS:

```
sage: sigma(100,4)
106811523
sage: sigma(factorial(100),3).mod(144169)
3672
sage: sigma(factorial(150),12).mod(691)
176
sage: RR(sigma(factorial(133),20))
2.80414775675747e4523
sage: sigma(factorial(100),0)
39001250856960000
sage: sigma(factorial(41),1)
229199532273029988767733858700732906511758707916800
```

plot (xmin=1, xmax=50, k=1, pointsize=30, rgbcolor=(0, 0, 1), join=True, **kwds)

Plot the sigma (sum of k-th powers of divisors) function.

INPUT:

- xmin - default: 1

- xmax - default: 50
- k - default: 1
- pointsize - default: 30
- rgbcolor - default: (0,0,1)
- join - default: True; whether to join the points.
- **kwds - passed on

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: p = Sigma().plot()
sage: p.ymax()
124.0
```

```
sage.arith.misc.XGCD(a, b)
```

Return a triple (g, s, t) such that $g = s \cdot a + t \cdot b = \gcd(a, b)$.

Note: One exception is if a and b are not in a principal ideal domain (see [Wikipedia article Principal_ideal_domain](#)), e.g., they are both polynomials over the integers. Then this function can't in general return (g, s, t) as above, since they need not exist. Instead, over the integers, we first multiply g by a divisor of the resultant of a/g and b/g , up to sign.

INPUT:

- a, b - integers or more generally, element of a ring for which the xgcd make sense (e.g. a field or univariate polynomials).

OUTPUT:

- g, s, t - such that $g = s \cdot a + t \cdot b$
-

Note: There is no guarantee that the returned cofactors (s and t) are minimal.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: xgcd(56, 44)
(4, 4, -5)
sage: 4*56 + (-5)*44
4
```

```
sage: g, a, b = xgcd(5/1, 7/1); g, a, b
(1, 3, -2)
sage: a*(5/1) + b*(7/1) == g
True
```

```
sage: x = polygen(QQ)
sage: xgcd(x^3 - 1, x^2 - 1)
(x - 1, 1, -x)
```

```
sage: K.<g> = NumberField(x^2-3)
sage: g.xgcd(g+2)
(1, 1/3*g, 0)
```

```
sage: R.<a,b> = K[]
sage: S.<y> = R.fraction_field()[]
sage: xgcd(y^2, a*y+b)
(1, a^2/b^2, ((-a)/b^2)*y + 1/b)
```

```
sage: xgcd((b+g)*y^2, (a+g)*y+b)
(1, (a^2 + (2*g)*a + 3)/(b^3 + (g)*b^2), ((-a + (-g))/b^2)*y + 1/b)
```

Here is an example of a `xgcd` for two polynomials over the integers, where the linear combination is not the gcd but the gcd multiplied by the resultant:

```
sage: R.<x> = ZZ[]
sage: gcd(2*x*(x-1), x^2)
x
sage: xgcd(2*x*(x-1), x^2)
(2*x, -1, 2)
sage: (2*(x-1)).resultant(x)
2
```

```
sage.arith.misc.algdep(z, degree, known_bits=None, use_bits=None, known_digits=None,
                        use_digits=None, height_bound=None, proof=False)
```

Returns a polynomial of degree at most *degree* which is approximately satisfied by the number *z*. Note that the returned polynomial need not be irreducible, and indeed usually won't be if *z* is a good approximation to an algebraic number of degree less than *degree*.

You can specify the number of known bits or digits of *z* with `known_bits=k` or `known_digits=k`. PARI is then told to compute the result using $0.8k$ of these bits/digits. Or, you can specify the precision to use directly with `use_bits=k` or `use_digits=k`. If none of these are specified, then the precision is taken from the input value.

A height bound may be specified to indicate the maximum coefficient size of the returned polynomial; if a sufficiently small polynomial is not found, then `None` will be returned. If `proof=True` then the result is returned only if it can be proved correct (i.e. the only possible minimal polynomial satisfying the height bound, or no such polynomial exists). Otherwise a `ValueError` is raised indicating that higher precision is required.

ALGORITHM: Uses LLL for real/complex inputs, PARI C-library `algdep` command otherwise.

Note that `algebraic_dependency` is a synonym for `algdep`.

INPUT:

- *z* - real, complex, or *p*-adic number
- *degree* - an integer
- **height_bound** - an integer (default: `None`) specifying the maximum coefficient size for the returned polynomial
- *proof* - a boolean (default: `False`), requires `height_bound` to be set

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: algdep(1.8888888888888888, 1)
9*x - 17
sage: algdep(0.1212121212121212, 1)
33*x - 4
sage: algdep(sqrt(2), 2)
x^2 - 2
```

This example involves a complex number:

```
sage: z = (1/2)*(1 + RDF(sqrt(3)) *CC.0); z
0.5000000000000000 + 0.866025403784439*I
sage: p = algdep(z, 6); p
x^3 + 1
sage: p.factor()
(x + 1) * (x^2 - x + 1)
```

```
sage: z^2 - z + 1      # abs tol 2e-16
0.0000000000000000
```

This example involves a p -adic number:

```
sage: K = Qp(3, print_mode = 'series')
sage: a = K(7/19); a
1 + 2*3 + 3^2 + 3^3 + 2*3^4 + 2*3^5 + 3^8 + 2*3^9 + 3^11 + 3^12 + 2*3^15 + 2*3^16 + 3^17 + 2*3^18
sage: algdep(a, 1)
19*x - 7
```

These examples show the importance of proper precision control. We compute a 200-bit approximation to $\sqrt{2}$ which is wrong in the 33'rd bit:

```
sage: z = sqrt(RealField(200)(2)) + (1/2)^33
sage: p = algdep(z, 4); p
227004321085*x^4 - 216947902586*x^3 - 99411220986*x^2 + 82234881648*x - 211871195088
sage: factor(p)
227004321085*x^4 - 216947902586*x^3 - 99411220986*x^2 + 82234881648*x - 211871195088
sage: algdep(z, 4, known_bits=32)
x^2 - 2
sage: algdep(z, 4, known_digits=10)
x^2 - 2
sage: algdep(z, 4, use_bits=25)
x^2 - 2
sage: algdep(z, 4, use_digits=8)
x^2 - 2
```

Using the `height_bound` and `proof` parameters, we can see that πi is not the root of an integer polynomial of degree at most 5 and coefficients bounded above by 10:

```
sage: algdep(pi.n(), 5, height_bound=10, proof=True) is None
True
```

For stronger results, we need more precision:

```
sage: algdep(pi.n(), 5, height_bound=100, proof=True) is None
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: insufficient precision for non-existence proof
sage: algdep(pi.n(200), 5, height_bound=100, proof=True) is None
True

sage: algdep(pi.n(), 10, height_bound=10, proof=True) is None
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: insufficient precision for non-existence proof
sage: algdep(pi.n(200), 10, height_bound=10, proof=True) is None
True
```

We can also use `proof=True` to get positive results:

```
sage: a = sqrt(2) + sqrt(3) + sqrt(5)
sage: algdep(a.n(), 8, height_bound=1000, proof=True)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: insufficient precision for uniqueness proof
sage: f = algdep(a.n(1000), 8, height_bound=1000, proof=True); f
x^8 - 40*x^6 + 352*x^4 - 960*x^2 + 576
sage: f(a).expand()
```

0

TESTS:

```
sage: algdep(complex("1+2j"), 4)
x^2 - 2*x + 5
```

```
sage.arith.misc.algebraic_dependency(z, degree, known_bits=None, use_bits=None,
                                     known_digits=None, use_digits=None,
                                     height_bound=None, proof=False)
```

Returns a polynomial of degree at most *degree* which is approximately satisfied by the number *z*. Note that the returned polynomial need not be irreducible, and indeed usually won't be if *z* is a good approximation to an algebraic number of degree less than *degree*.

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INPUT:

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sage: factor(p)
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sage: algdep(z, 4, known_bits=32)
x^2 - 2
sage: algdep(z, 4, known_digits=10)
x^2 - 2
sage: algdep(z, 4, use_bits=25)
x^2 - 2
sage: algdep(z, 4, use_digits=8)
x^2 - 2

```

Using the `height_bound` and `proof` parameters, we can see that πi is not the root of an integer polynomial of degree at most 5 and coefficients bounded above by 10:

```

sage: algdep(pi.n(), 5, height_bound=10, proof=True) is None
True

```

For stronger results, we need more precision:

```

sage: algdep(pi.n(), 5, height_bound=100, proof=True) is None
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: insufficient precision for non-existence proof
sage: algdep(pi.n(200), 5, height_bound=100, proof=True) is None
True

sage: algdep(pi.n(), 10, height_bound=10, proof=True) is None
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: insufficient precision for non-existence proof
sage: algdep(pi.n(200), 10, height_bound=10, proof=True) is None
True

```

We can also use `proof=True` to get positive results:

```

sage: a = sqrt(2) + sqrt(3) + sqrt(5)
sage: algdep(a.n(), 8, height_bound=1000, proof=True)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: insufficient precision for uniqueness proof
sage: f = algdep(a.n(1000), 8, height_bound=1000, proof=True); f
x^8 - 40*x^6 + 352*x^4 - 960*x^2 + 576
sage: f(a).expand()
0

```

TESTS:

```
sage: algdep(complex("1+2j"), 4)
x^2 - 2*x + 5
```

`sage.arith.misc.bernoulli(n, algorithm='default', num_threads=1)`
Return the n-th Bernoulli number, as a rational number.

INPUT:

- `n` - an integer
- `algorithm`:
 - 'default' – use 'flint' for $n \leq 300000$, and 'bernmm' otherwise (this is just a heuristic, and not guaranteed to be optimal on all hardware)
 - 'flint' – use the FLINT library
 - 'pari' – use the PARI C library
 - 'gap' – use GAP
 - 'gp' – use PARI/GP interpreter
 - 'magma' – use MAGMA (optional)
 - 'bernmm' – use bernmm package (a multimodular algorithm)
- `num_threads` - positive integer, number of threads to use (only used for bernmm algorithm)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: bernoulli(12)
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(50)
495057205241079648212477525/66
```

We demonstrate each of the alternative algorithms:

```
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='flint')
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='gap')
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='gp')
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='magma')           # optional - magma
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='pari')
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='bernmm')
-691/2730
sage: bernoulli(12, algorithm='bernmm', num_threads=4)
-691/2730
```

TESTS:

```
sage: algs = ['gap', 'gp', 'pari', 'bernmm', 'flint']
sage: test_list = [ZZ.random_element(2, 2255) for _ in range(500)]
sage: vals = [[bernoulli(i, algorithm = j) for j in algs] for i in test_list] # long time (up to 100s)
sage: union([len(union(x))==1 for x in vals]) # long time (depends on previous line)
[True]
sage: algs = ['gp', 'pari', 'bernmm']
sage: test_list = [ZZ.random_element(2256, 5000) for _ in range(500)]
sage: vals = [[bernoulli(i, algorithm = j) for j in algs] for i in test_list] # long time (up to 100s)
```



```
sage: union([len(union(x))==1 for x in vals]) # long time (depends on previous line)
[True]
```

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```
sage.arith.misc.binomial(x, m, **kws)
```

Return the binomial coefficient

$$\binom{x}{m} = x(x-1)\cdots(x-m+1)/m!$$

which is defined for $m \in \mathbf{Z}$ and any x . We extend this definition to include cases when $x - m$ is an integer but m is not by

$$\binom{x}{m} = \binom{x}{x-m}$$

If $m < 0$, return 0.

INPUT:

• x, m - numbers or symbolic expressions. Either m or $x-m$ must be an integer.

OUTPUT: number or symbolic expression (if input is symbolic)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.arith.misc import binomial
sage: binomial(5,2)
10
sage: binomial(2,0)
1
sage: binomial(1/2, 0)
1
sage: binomial(3,-1)
0
sage: binomial(20,10)
184756
sage: binomial(-2, 5)
-6
sage: binomial(-5, -2)
0
sage: binomial(RealField()('2.5'), 2)
1.8750000000000000
sage: n=var('n'); binomial(n,2)
1/2*(n - 1)*n
sage: n=var('n'); binomial(n,n)
1
sage: n=var('n'); binomial(n,n-1)
n
sage: binomial(2^100, 2^100)
1

sage: x = polygen(ZZ)
sage: binomial(x, 3)
1/6*x^3 - 1/2*x^2 + 1/3*x
sage: binomial(x, x-3)
1/6*x^3 - 1/2*x^2 + 1/3*x
```

If $x \in \mathbf{Z}$, there is an optional ‘algorithm’ parameter, which can be ‘mpir’ (faster for small values) or ‘pari’ (faster for large values):

```
sage: a = binomial(100, 45, algorithm='mpir')
sage: b = binomial(100, 45, algorithm='pari')
sage: a == b
True
```

TESTS:

We test that certain binomials are very fast (this should be instant) – see [trac ticket #3309](#):

```
sage: a = binomial(RR(1140000.78), 23310000)
```

We test conversion of arguments to Integers – see [trac ticket #6870](#):

```
sage: binomial(1/2, 1/1)
1/2
sage: binomial(10^20+1/1, 10^20)
10000000000000000000001
sage: binomial(SR(10**7), 10**7)
1
sage: binomial(3/2, SR(1/1))
3/2
```

Some floating point cases – see [trac ticket #7562](#), [trac ticket #9633](#), and [trac ticket #12448](#):

```
sage: binomial(1.,3)
0.0000000000000000
sage: binomial(-2.,3)
-4.0000000000000000
sage: binomial(0.5r, 5)
0.02734375
sage: a = binomial(float(1001), float(1)); a
1001.0
sage: type(a)
<type 'float'>
sage: binomial(float(1000), 1001)
0.0
```

Test more output types:

```
sage: type(binomial(5r, 2))
<type 'int'>
sage: type(binomial(5, 2r))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: type(binomial(5.0r, 2))
<type 'float'>
sage: type(binomial(5/1, 2))
<type 'sage.rings.rational.Rational'>
sage: R = Integers(11)
sage: b = binomial(R(7), R(3))
sage: b
2
sage: b.parent()
Ring of integers modulo 11
```

Test symbolic and uni/multivariate polynomials:

```

sage: x = polygen(ZZ)
sage: binomial(x, 3)
1/6*x^3 - 1/2*x^2 + 1/3*x
sage: binomial(x, 3).parent()
Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field

sage: K.<x,y> = Integers(7)[]
sage: binomial(y, 3)
-y^3 + 3*y^2 - 2*y
sage: binomial(y, 3).parent()
Multivariate Polynomial Ring in x, y over Ring of integers modulo 7

sage: n = var('n')
sage: binomial(n, 2)
1/2*(n - 1)*n

```

Invalid inputs:

```

sage: x = polygen(ZZ)
sage: binomial(x, x^2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: either m or x-m must be an integer

sage: k, i = var('k,i')
sage: binomial(k,i)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: either m or x-m must be an integer

sage: R6 = Zmod(6)
sage: binomial(R6(5), 2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: factorial(2) not invertible in Ring of integers modulo 6

sage: R7 = Zmod(7)
sage: binomial(R7(10), 7)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: factorial(7) not invertible in Ring of integers modulo 7

```

The last two examples failed to execute since $2!$ and $7!$ are respectively not invertible in $\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$. One can check that there is no well defined value for that binomial coefficient in the quotient:

```

sage: R6(binomial(5, 2))
4
sage: R6(binomial(5+6, 2))
1

sage: R7(binomial(3, 7))
0
sage: R7(binomial(10, 7))
1
sage: R7(binomial(17, 7))
2

```

For symbolic manipulation, you should use the function `binomial()` from the module `sage.functions.other`:

```
sage: from sage.functions.other import binomial
sage: binomial(k, i)
binomial(k, i)
```

```
sage.arith.misc.binomial_coefficients(n)
```

Return a dictionary containing pairs $\{(k_1, k_2) : C_{k,n}\}$ where $C_{k,n}$ are binomial coefficients and $n = k_1 + k_2$.

INPUT:

- n - an integer

OUTPUT: dict

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sorted(binomial_coefficients(3).items())
[(0, 3), 1), ((1, 2), 3), ((2, 1), 3), ((3, 0), 1)]
```

Notice the coefficients above are the same as below:

```
sage: R.<x,y> = QQ[]
sage: (x+y)^3
x^3 + 3*x^2*y + 3*x*y^2 + y^3
```

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- Fredrik Johansson

```
sage.arith.misc.continuant(v, n=None)
```

Function returns the continuant of the sequence v (list or tuple).

Definition: see Graham, Knuth and Patashnik, *Concrete Mathematics*, section 6.7: Continuants. The continuant is defined by

- $K_0() = 1$
- $K_1(x_1) = x_1$
- $K_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = K_{n-1}(x_n, \dots, x_{n-1})x_n + K_{n-2}(x_1, \dots, x_{n-2})$

If $n = \text{None}$ or $n > \text{len}(v)$ the default $n = \text{len}(v)$ is used.

INPUT:

- v - list or tuple of elements of a ring
- n - optional integer

OUTPUT: element of ring (integer, polynomial, etcetera).

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: continuant([1, 2, 3])
10
sage: p = continuant([2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 4, 1, 1, 6, 1, 1, 8, 1, 1, 10])
sage: q = continuant([1, 2, 1, 1, 4, 1, 1, 6, 1, 1, 8, 1, 1, 10])
sage: p/q
517656/190435
sage: continued_fraction([2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 4, 1, 1, 6, 1, 1, 8, 1, 1, 10]).convergent(14)
517656/190435
sage: x = PolynomialRing(RationalField(), 'x', 5).gens()
sage: continuant(x)
x0*x1*x2*x3*x4 + x0*x1*x2 + x0*x1*x4 + x0*x3*x4 + x2*x3*x4 + x0 + x2 + x4
sage: continuant(x, 3)
x0*x1*x2 + x0 + x2
```

```
sage: continuant(x, 2)
x0*x1 + 1
```

We verify the identity

$$K_n(z, z, \dots, z) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n-k}{k} z^{n-2k}$$

for $n = 6$ using polynomial arithmetic:

```
sage: z = QQ['z'].0
sage: continuant((z, z, z, z, z, z, z, z, z, z, z, z, z), 6)
z^6 + 5*z^4 + 6*z^2 + 1

sage: continuant(9)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: object of type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer' has no len()
```

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`sage.arith.misc.crt(a, b, m=None, n=None)`

Returns a solution to a Chinese Remainder Theorem problem.

INPUT:

- a, b - two residues (elements of some ring for which extended gcd is available), or two lists, one of residues and one of moduli.
- m, n - (default: None) two moduli, or None.

OUTPUT:

If m, n are not None, returns a solution x to the simultaneous congruences $x \equiv a \pmod{m}$ and $x \equiv b \pmod{n}$, if one exists. By the Chinese Remainder Theorem, a solution to the simultaneous congruences exists if and only if $a \equiv b \pmod{\gcd(m, n)}$. The solution x is only well-defined modulo $\text{lcm}(m, n)$.

If a and b are lists, returns a simultaneous solution to the congruences $x \equiv a_i \pmod{b_i}$, if one exists.

See also:

- `CRT_list()`

EXAMPLES:

Using `crt` by giving it pairs of residues and moduli:

```
sage: crt(2, 1, 3, 5)
11
sage: crt(13, 20, 100, 301)
28013
sage: crt([2, 1], [3, 5])
11
sage: crt([13, 20], [100, 301])
28013
```

You can also use upper case:

```
sage: c = CRT(2, 3, 3, 5); c
8
sage: c % 3 == 2
True
sage: c % 5 == 3
True
```

Note that this also works for polynomial rings:

```
sage: K.<a> = NumberField(x^3 - 7)
sage: R.<y> = K[]
sage: f = y^2 + 3
sage: g = y^3 - 5
sage: CRT(1, 3, f, g)
-3/26*y^4 + 5/26*y^3 + 15/26*y + 53/26
sage: CRT(1, a, f, g)
(-3/52*a + 3/52)*y^4 + (5/52*a - 5/52)*y^3 + (15/52*a - 15/52)*y + 27/52*a + 25/52
```

You can also do this for any number of moduli:

```
sage: K.<a> = NumberField(x^3 - 7)
sage: R.<x> = K[]
sage: CRT([], [])
0
sage: CRT([a], [x])
a
sage: f = x^2 + 3
sage: g = x^3 - 5
sage: h = x^5 + x^2 - 9
sage: k = CRT([1, a, 3], [f, g, h]); k
(127/26988*a - 5807/386828)*x^9 + (45/8996*a - 33677/1160484)*x^8 + (2/173*a - 6/173)*x^7 + (133/173)*x^6 + (1/173)*x^5 + (1/173)*x^4 + (1/173)*x^3 + (1/173)*x^2 + (1/173)*x + (1/173)
sage: k.mod(f)
1
sage: k.mod(g)
a
sage: k.mod(h)
3
```

If the moduli are not coprime, a solution may not exist:

```
sage: crt(4, 8, 8, 12)
20
sage: crt(4, 6, 8, 12)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: No solution to crt problem since gcd(8,12) does not divide 4-6

sage: x = polygen(QQ)
sage: crt(2, 3, x-1, x+1)
-1/2*x + 5/2
sage: crt(2, x, x^2-1, x^2+1)
-1/2*x^3 + x^2 + 1/2*x + 1
sage: crt(2, x, x^2-1, x^3-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: No solution to crt problem since gcd(x^2 - 1, x^3 - 1) does not divide 2-x

sage: crt(int(2), int(3), int(7), int(11))
58
```

`sage.arith.misc.dedekind_sum(p, q, algorithm='default')`

Return the Dedekind sum $s(p, q)$ defined for integers p, q as

$$s(p, q) = \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} \left(\left(\frac{i}{q} \right) \right) \left(\left(\frac{pi}{q} \right) \right)$$

where

$$\left(\left(x \right) \right) = \begin{cases} x - [x] - \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x \in \mathbf{Q} \setminus \mathbf{Z} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathbf{Z}. \end{cases}$$

Warning: Caution is required as the Dedekind sum sometimes depends on the algorithm or is left undefined when p and q are not coprime.

INPUT:

- p, q – integers
- `algorithm` – must be one of the following
 - ‘default’ - (default) use FLINT
 - ‘flint’ - use FLINT
 - ‘pari’ - use PARI (gives different results if p and q are not coprime)

OUTPUT: a rational number

EXAMPLES:

Several small values:

```
sage: for q in range(10): print [dedekind_sum(p, q) for p in range(q+1)]
[0]
[0, 0]
[0, 0, 0]
[0, 1/18, -1/18, 0]
[0, 1/8, 0, -1/8, 0]
[0, 1/5, 0, 0, -1/5, 0]
[0, 5/18, 1/18, 0, -1/18, -5/18, 0]
[0, 5/14, 1/14, -1/14, 1/14, -1/14, -5/14, 0]
[0, 7/16, 1/8, 1/16, 0, -1/16, -1/8, -7/16, 0]
[0, 14/27, 4/27, 1/18, -4/27, 4/27, -1/18, -4/27, -14/27, 0]
```

Check relations for restricted arguments:

```
sage: q = 23; dedekind_sum(1, q); (q-1)*(q-2)/(12*q)
77/46
77/46
sage: p, q = 100, 723 # must be coprime
sage: dedekind_sum(p, q) + dedekind_sum(q, p)
31583/86760
sage: -1/4 + (p/q + q/p + 1/(p*q))/12
31583/86760
```

We check that evaluation works with large input:

```
sage: dedekind_sum(3^54 - 1, 2^93 + 1)
459340694971839990630374299870/29710560942849126597578981379
sage: dedekind_sum(3^54 - 1, 2^93 + 1, algorithm='pari')
459340694971839990630374299870/29710560942849126597578981379
```

We check consistency of the results:

```
sage: dedekind_sum(5, 7, algorithm='default')
-1/14
sage: dedekind_sum(5, 7, algorithm='flint')
-1/14
sage: dedekind_sum(5, 7, algorithm='pari')
-1/14
sage: dedekind_sum(6, 8, algorithm='default')
-1/8
sage: dedekind_sum(6, 8, algorithm='flint')
-1/8
sage: dedekind_sum(6, 8, algorithm='pari')
-1/8
```

REFERENCES:

- [Wikipedia article Dedekind_sum](#)

`sage.arith.misc.differences` (*lis*, *n=1*)

Returns the *n* successive differences of the elements in *lis*.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: differences(prime_range(50))
[1, 2, 2, 4, 2, 4, 2, 4, 6, 2, 6, 4, 2, 4]
sage: differences([i^2 for i in range(1,11)])
[3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19]
sage: differences([i^3 + 3*i for i in range(1,21)])
[10, 22, 40, 64, 94, 130, 172, 220, 274, 334, 400, 472, 550, 634, 724, 820, 922, 1030, 1144]
sage: differences([i^3 - i^2 for i in range(1,21)], 2)
[10, 16, 22, 28, 34, 40, 46, 52, 58, 64, 70, 76, 82, 88, 94, 100, 106, 112]
sage: differences([p - i^2 for i, p in enumerate(prime_range(50))], 3)
[-1, 2, -4, 4, -4, 4, 0, -6, 8, -6, 0, 4]
```

AUTHORS:

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`sage.arith.misc.divisors` (*n*)

Returns a list of all positive integer divisors of the nonzero integer *n*.

INPUT:

- *n* - the element

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: divisors(-3)
[1, 3]
sage: divisors(6)
[1, 2, 3, 6]
sage: divisors(28)
[1, 2, 4, 7, 14, 28]
sage: divisors(2^5)
[1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32]
sage: divisors(100)
[1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, 100]
sage: divisors(1)
[1]
sage: divisors(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
```



```

ValueError: n must be nonzero
sage: divisors(2^3 * 3^2 * 17)
[1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 17, 18, 24, 34, 36, 51, 68, 72, 102, 136, 153, 204, 306, 408, 612, 1224]

```

This function works whenever one has unique factorization:

```

sage: K.<a> = QuadraticField(7)
sage: divisors(K.ideal(7))
[Fractional ideal (1), Fractional ideal (a), Fractional ideal (7)]
sage: divisors(K.ideal(3))
[Fractional ideal (1), Fractional ideal (3), Fractional ideal (-a + 2), Fractional ideal (-a - 2)]
sage: divisors(K.ideal(35))
[Fractional ideal (1), Fractional ideal (5), Fractional ideal (a), Fractional ideal (7), Fractional ideal (a+1)]

```

TESTS:

```

sage: divisors(int(300))
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50, 60, 75, 100, 150, 300]

```

`sage.arith.misc.eratosthenes(n)`

Return a list of the primes $\leq n$.

This is extremely slow and is for educational purposes only.

INPUT:

- n - a positive integer

OUTPUT:

- a list of primes less than or equal to n .

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: eratosthenes(3)
[2, 3]
sage: eratosthenes(50)
[2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47]
sage: len(eratosthenes(100))
25
sage: eratosthenes(213) == prime_range(213)
True

```

`sage.arith.misc.factor(n, proof=None, int_=False, algorithm='pari', verbose=0, **kws)`

Returns the factorization of n . The result depends on the type of n .

If n is an integer, returns the factorization as an object of type `Factorization`.

If n is not an integer, `n.factor(proof=proof, **kws)` gets called. See `n.factor??` for more documentation in this case.

Warning: This means that applying `factor` to an integer result of a symbolic computation will not factor the integer, because it is considered as an element of a larger symbolic ring.

EXAMPLE:

```

sage: f(n)=n^2
sage: is_prime(f(3))
False
sage: factor(f(3))
9

```

INPUT:

- `n` - an nonzero integer
- `proof` - bool or None (default: None)
- `int_` - bool (default: False) whether to return answers as Python ints
- `algorithm` - string
 - `'pari'` - (default) use the PARI c library
 - `'kash'` - use KASH computer algebra system (requires the optional kash package be installed)
 - `'magma'` - use Magma (requires magma be installed)
- `verbose` - integer (default: 0); PARI's debug variable is set to this; e.g., set to 4 or 8 to see lots of output during factorization.

OUTPUT:

- factorization of `n`

The `qsieve` and `ecm` commands give access to highly optimized implementations of algorithms for doing certain integer factorization problems. These implementations are not used by the generic `factor` command, which currently just calls PARI (note that PARI also implements sieve and `ecm` algorithms, but they aren't as optimized). Thus you might consider using them instead for certain numbers.

The factorization returned is an element of the class `Factorization`; see `Factorization??` for more details, and examples below for usage. A `Factorization` contains both the unit factor (+1 or -1) and a sorted list of (prime, exponent) pairs.

The factorization displays in pretty-print format but it is easy to obtain access to the (prime,exponent) pairs and the unit, to recover the number from its factorization, and even to multiply two factorizations. See examples below.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: factor(500)
2^2 * 5^3
sage: factor(-20)
-1 * 2^2 * 5
sage: f=factor(-20)
sage: list(f)
[(2, 2), (5, 1)]
sage: f.unit()
-1
sage: f.value()
-20
sage: factor(-next_prime(10^2) * next_prime(10^7))
-1 * 101 * 10000019

sage: factor(-500, algorithm='kash')      # optional - kash
-1 * 2^2 * 5^3

sage: factor(-500, algorithm='magma')     # optional - magma
-1 * 2^2 * 5^3

sage: factor(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: Prime factorization of 0 not defined.
sage: factor(1)
1
```

```
sage: factor(-1)
-1
sage: factor(2^(2^7)+1)
59649589127497217 * 5704689200685129054721
```

Sage calls PARI's factor, which has proof False by default. Sage has a global proof flag, set to True by default (see `sage.structure.proof.proof`, or `proof.[tab]`). To override the default, call this function with `proof=False`.

```
sage: factor(3^89-1, proof=False)
2 * 179 * 1611479891519807 * 5042939439565996049162197

sage: factor(2^197 + 1) # long time (2s)
3 * 197002597249 * 1348959352853811313 * 251951573867253012259144010843
```

Any object which has a factor method can be factored like this:

```
sage: K.<i> = QuadraticField(-1)
sage: factor(122 - 454*i)
(-3*i - 2) * (-i - 2)^3 * (i + 1)^3 * (i + 4)
```

To access the data in a factorization:

```
sage: f = factor(420); f
2^2 * 3 * 5 * 7
sage: [x for x in f]
[(2, 2), (3, 1), (5, 1), (7, 1)]
sage: [p for p,e in f]
[2, 3, 5, 7]
sage: [e for p,e in f]
[2, 1, 1, 1]
sage: [p^e for p,e in f]
[4, 3, 5, 7]
```

`sage.arith.misc.factorial(n, algorithm='gmp')`

Compute the factorial of n , which is the product $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots (n-1) \cdot n$.

INPUT:

- n - an integer
- `algorithm` - string (default: 'gmp'):
 - 'gmp' - use the GMP C-library factorial function
 - 'pari' - use PARI's factorial function

OUTPUT: an integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.arith.misc import factorial
sage: factorial(0)
1
sage: factorial(4)
24
sage: factorial(10)
3628800
sage: factorial(1) == factorial(0)
True
sage: factorial(6) == 6*5*4*3*2
True
```

```

sage: factorial(1) == factorial(0)
True
sage: factorial(71) == 71* factorial(70)
True
sage: factorial(-32)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: factorial -- must be nonnegative

```

PERFORMANCE: This discussion is valid as of April 2006. All timings below are on a Pentium Core Duo 2Ghz MacBook Pro running Linux with a 2.6.16.1 kernel.

- It takes less than a minute to compute the factorial of 10^7 using the GMP algorithm, and the factorial of 10^6 takes less than 4 seconds.
- The GMP algorithm is faster and more memory efficient than the PARI algorithm. E.g., PARI computes 10^7 factorial in 100 seconds on the core duo 2Ghz.
- For comparison, computation in Magma ≤ 2.12 -10 of $n!$ is best done using `*[1..n]`. It takes 113 seconds to compute the factorial of 10^7 and 6 seconds to compute the factorial of 10^6 . Mathematica V5.2 compute the factorial of 10^7 in 136 seconds and the factorial of 10^6 in 7 seconds. (Mathematica is notably very efficient at memory usage when doing factorial calculations.)

`sage.arith.misc.falling_factorial(x, a)`

Returns the falling factorial $(x)_a$.

The notation in the literature is a mess: often $(x)_a$, but there are many other notations: GKP: Concrete Mathematics uses $x^{\underline{a}}$.

Definition: for integer $a \geq 0$ we have $x(x-1) \cdots (x-a+1)$. In all other cases we use the GAMMA-function: $\frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x-a+1)}$.

INPUT:

- x - element of a ring
- a - a non-negative integer or

OR

- x and a - any numbers

OUTPUT: the falling factorial

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: falling_factorial(10, 3)
720
sage: falling_factorial(10, RR('3.0'))
720.0000000000000
sage: falling_factorial(10, RR('3.3'))
1310.11633396601
sage: falling_factorial(10, 10)
3628800
sage: factorial(10)
3628800
sage: a = falling_factorial(1+I, I); a
gamma(I + 2)
sage: CC(a)
0.652965496420167 + 0.343065839816545*I
sage: falling_factorial(1+I, 4)
4*I + 2

```

TESTS:

Check that [trac ticket #16770](#) is fixed:

AUTHORS:

INPUT:

OUTPUT: a tuple (a, b, c, d) of non-negative integers such that $n = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$ with $a \leq b \leq c \leq d$.

EXAMPLES:

TESTS:

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```
....: aa,bb,cc,dd = four_squares(n)
....: assert aa**2 + bb**2 + cc**2 + dd**2 == n
```

`sage.arith.misc.fundamental_discriminant(D)`

Return the discriminant of the quadratic extension $K = Q(\sqrt{D})$, i.e. an integer d congruent to either 0 or 1, mod 4, and such that, at most, the only square dividing it is 4.

INPUT:

- D - an integer

OUTPUT:

- an integer, the fundamental discriminant

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: fundamental_discriminant(102)
408
sage: fundamental_discriminant(720)
5
sage: fundamental_discriminant(2)
8
```

`sage.arith.misc.gcd(a, b=None, **kwargs)`

The greatest common divisor of a and b , or if a is a list and b is omitted the greatest common divisor of all elements of a .

INPUT:

- a, b - two elements of a ring with gcd or
- a - a list or tuple of elements of a ring with gcd

Additional keyword arguments are passed to the respectively called methods.

OUTPUT:

The given elements are first coerced into a common parent. Then, their greatest common divisor *in that common parent* is returned.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: GCD(97, 100)
1
sage: GCD(97*10^15, 19^20*97^2)
97
sage: GCD(2/3, 4/5)
2/15
sage: GCD([2, 4, 6, 8])
2
sage: GCD(srange(0, 10000, 10)) # fast !!
10
```

Note that to take the gcd of n elements for $n \neq 2$ you must put the elements into a list by enclosing them in `[...]`. Before #4988 the following wrongly returned 3 since the third parameter was just ignored:

```
sage: gcd(3, 6, 2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: gcd() takes at most 2 arguments (3 given)
sage: gcd([3, 6, 2])
1
```

Similarly, giving just one element (which is not a list) gives an error:

```
sage: gcd(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: 'sage.rings.integer.Integer' object is not iterable
```

By convention, the gcd of the empty list is (the integer) 0:

```
sage: gcd([])
0
sage: type(gcd([]))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

TESTS:

The following shows that indeed coercion takes place before computing the gcd. This behaviour was introduced in [trac ticket #10771](#):

```
sage: R.<x>=QQ[]
sage: S.<x>=ZZ[]
sage: p = S.random_element(degree=(0,10))
sage: q = R.random_element(degree=(0,10))
sage: parent(gcd(1/p,q))
Fraction Field of Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field
sage: parent(gcd([1/p,q]))
Fraction Field of Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field
```

Make sure we try QQ and not merely ZZ ([trac ticket #13014](#)):

```
sage: bool(gcd(2/5, 3/7) == gcd(SR(2/5), SR(3/7)))
True
```

Make sure that the gcd of Expressions stays symbolic:

```
sage: parent(gcd(2, 4))
Integer Ring
sage: parent(gcd(SR(2), 4))
Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(gcd(2, SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(gcd(SR(2), SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
```

Verify that objects without gcd methods but which can't be coerced to ZZ or QQ raise an error:

```
sage: F.<a,b> = FreeMonoid(2)
sage: gcd(a,b)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to find gcd
```

`sage.arith.misc.get_gcd(order)`

Return the fastest gcd function for integers of size no larger than *order*.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sage.arith.misc.get_gcd(4000)
<built-in method gcd_int of sage.rings.fast_arith.arith_int object at ...>
sage: sage.arith.misc.get_gcd(400000)
<built-in method gcd_longlong of sage.rings.fast_arith.arith_llong object at ...>
sage: sage.arith.misc.get_gcd(4000000000)
```

```
<function gcd at ...>
```

`sage.arith.misc.get_inverse_mod(order)`

Return the fastest inverse_mod function for integers of size no larger than *order*.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sage.arith.misc.get_inverse_mod(6000)
<built-in method inverse_mod_int of sage.rings.fast_arith.arith_int object at ...>
sage: sage.arith.misc.get_inverse_mod(600000)
<built-in method inverse_mod_longlong of sage.rings.fast_arith.arith_llong object at ...>
sage: sage.arith.misc.get_inverse_mod(6000000000)
<function inverse_mod at ...>
```

`sage.arith.misc.hilbert_conductor(a, b)`

This is the product of all (finite) primes where the Hilbert symbol is -1. What is the same, this is the (reduced) discriminant of the quaternion algebra (a, b) over \mathbb{Q} .

INPUT:

- *a*, *b* – integers

OUTPUT:

- squarefree positive integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: hilbert_conductor(-1, -1)
2
sage: hilbert_conductor(-1, -11)
11
sage: hilbert_conductor(-2, -5)
5
sage: hilbert_conductor(-3, -17)
17
```

AUTHOR:

- Gonzalo Tornaria (2009-03-02)

`sage.arith.misc.hilbert_conductor_inverse(d)`

Finds a pair of integers (a, b) such that `hilbert_conductor(a, b) == d`. The quaternion algebra (a, b) over \mathbb{Q} will then have (reduced) discriminant *d*.

INPUT:

- *d* – square-free positive integer

OUTPUT: pair of integers

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: hilbert_conductor_inverse(2)
(-1, -1)
sage: hilbert_conductor_inverse(3)
(-1, -3)
sage: hilbert_conductor_inverse(6)
(-1, 3)
sage: hilbert_conductor_inverse(30)
(-3, -10)
sage: hilbert_conductor_inverse(4)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```



```

...
ValueError: d needs to be squarefree
sage: hilbert_conductor_inverse(-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: d needs to be positive

```

AUTHOR:

- Gonzalo Tornaria (2009-03-02)

TESTS:

```

sage: for i in xrange(100):
....:     d = ZZ.random_element(2**32).squarefree_part()
....:     if hilbert_conductor(*hilbert_conductor_inverse(d)) != d:
....:         print "hilbert_conductor_inverse failed for d =", d

```

sage.arith.misc.**hilbert_symbol** (*a*, *b*, *p*, *algorithm*='pari')

Returns 1 if $ax^2 + by^2$ p -adically represents a nonzero square, otherwise returns -1 . If either a or b is 0, returns 0.

INPUT:

- a*, *b* - integers
- p* - integer; either prime or -1 (which represents the archimedean place)
- algorithm* - string
 - 'pari' - (default) use the PARI C library
 - 'direct' - use a Python implementation
 - 'all' - use both PARI and direct and check that the results agree, then return the common answer

OUTPUT: integer (0, -1, or 1)

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: hilbert_symbol (-1, -1, -1, algorithm='all')
-1
sage: hilbert_symbol (2, 3, 5, algorithm='all')
1
sage: hilbert_symbol (4, 3, 5, algorithm='all')
1
sage: hilbert_symbol (0, 3, 5, algorithm='all')
0
sage: hilbert_symbol (-1, -1, 2, algorithm='all')
-1
sage: hilbert_symbol (1, -1, 2, algorithm='all')
1
sage: hilbert_symbol (3, -1, 2, algorithm='all')
-1

sage: hilbert_symbol(QQ(-1)/QQ(4), -1, 2) == -1
True
sage: hilbert_symbol(QQ(-1)/QQ(4), -1, 3) == 1
True

```

AUTHORS:

- William Stein and David Kohel (2006-01-05)

`sage.arith.misc.integer_ceil(x)`

Return the ceiling of x .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: integer_ceil(5.4)
```

```
6
```

```
sage: integer_ceil(x)
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
```

```
NotImplementedError: computation of ceil of x not implemented
```

`sage.arith.misc.integer_floor(x)`

Return the largest integer $\leq x$.

INPUT:

- x - an object that has a floor method or is coercible to int

OUTPUT: an Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: integer_floor(5.4)
```

```
5
```

```
sage: integer_floor(float(5.4))
```

```
5
```

```
sage: integer_floor(-5/2)
```

```
-3
```

```
sage: integer_floor(RDF(-5/2))
```

```
-3
```

```
sage: integer_floor(x)
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
```

```
NotImplementedError: computation of floor of x not implemented
```

`sage.arith.misc.inverse_mod(a, m)`

The inverse of the ring element a modulo m .

If no special `inverse_mod` is defined for the elements, it tries to coerce them into integers and perform the inversion there

```
sage: inverse_mod(7, 1)
```

```
0
```

```
sage: inverse_mod(5, 14)
```

```
3
```

```
sage: inverse_mod(3, -5)
```

```
2
```

`sage.arith.misc.is_power_of_two(n)`

This function returns True if and only if n is a power of 2

INPUT:

- n - integer

OUTPUT:

- True - if n is a power of 2
- False - if not

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: is_power_of_two(1024)
True
sage: is_power_of_two(1)
True
sage: is_power_of_two(24)
False
sage: is_power_of_two(0)
False
sage: is_power_of_two(-4)
False

```

`sage.arith.misc.is_prime(n)`

Return True if n is a prime number, and False otherwise.

Use a provable primality test or a strong pseudo-primality test depending on the global arithmetic proof flag.

INPUT:

- n - the object for which to determine primality

See also:

- `is_pseudoprime()`
- `sage.rings.integer.Integer.is_prime()`

AUTHORS:

- Kevin Stueve kstueve@uw.edu (2010-01-17): delegated calculation to `n.is_prime()`

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: is_prime(389)
True
sage: is_prime(2000)
False
sage: is_prime(2)
True
sage: is_prime(-1)
False
sage: is_prime(1)
False
sage: is_prime(-2)
False

sage: a = 2**2048 + 981
sage: is_prime(a)      # not tested - takes ~ 1min
sage: proof.arithmetic(False)
sage: is_prime(a)      # instantaneous!
True
sage: proof.arithmetic(True)

```

`sage.arith.misc.is_prime_power(n, flag=None, get_data=False)`

Test whether n is a positive power of a prime number

This function simply calls the method `Integer.is_prime_power()` of Integers.

INPUT:

- n – an integer

- `get_data` – if set to `True`, return a pair (p, k) such that this integer equals p^k instead of `True` or $(self, 0)$ instead of `False`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: is_prime_power(389)
True
sage: is_prime_power(2000)
False
sage: is_prime_power(2)
True
sage: is_prime_power(1024)
True
sage: is_prime_power(1024, get_data=True)
(2, 10)
```

The same results can be obtained with:

```
sage: 389.is_prime_power()
True
sage: 2000.is_prime_power()
False
sage: 2.is_prime_power()
True
sage: 1024.is_prime_power()
True
sage: 1024.is_prime_power(get_data=True)
(2, 10)
```

TESTS:

```
sage: is_prime_power(-1)
False
sage: is_prime_power(1)
False
sage: is_prime_power(QQ(997^100))
True
sage: is_prime_power(1/2197)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: no conversion of this rational to integer
sage: is_prime_power("foo")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to convert 'foo' to an integer
```

`sage.arith.misc.is_pseudoprime(n, flag=None)`

Test whether n is a pseudo-prime

The result is *NOT* proven correct - *this is a pseudo-primality test!*.

INPUT:

- n – an integer

Note: We do not consider negatives of prime numbers as prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: is_pseudoprime(389)
True
```

```

sage: is_pseudoprime(2000)
False
sage: is_pseudoprime(2)
True
sage: is_pseudoprime(-1)
False
sage: factor(-6)
-1 * 2 * 3
sage: is_pseudoprime(1)
False
sage: is_pseudoprime(-2)
False

```

TESTS:

Deprecation warning from [trac ticket #16878](#):

```

sage: is_pseudoprime(127, flag=0)
doctest:...: DeprecationWarning: the keyword 'flag' is deprecated and no longer used
See http://trac.sagemath.org/16878 for details.
True

```

`sage.arith.misc.is_pseudoprime_power(n, get_data=False)`

Test if n is a power of a pseudoprime.

The result is *NOT* proven correct - *this IS a pseudo-primality test!*. Note that a prime power is a positive power of a prime number so that 1 is not a prime power.

INPUT:

- n - an integer
- `get_data` - (boolean) instead of a boolean return a pair (p, k) so that n equals p^k and p is a pseudoprime or $(n, 0)$ otherwise.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: is_pseudoprime_power(389)
True
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(2000)
False
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(2)
True
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(1024)
True
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(-1)
False
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(1)
False
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(997^100)
True

```

Use of the `get_data` keyword:

```

sage: is_pseudoprime_power(3^1024, get_data=True)
(3, 1024)
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(2^256, get_data=True)
(2, 256)
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(31, get_data=True)
(31, 1)
sage: is_pseudoprime_power(15, get_data=True)

```

(15, 0)

`sage.arith.misc.is_pseudoprime_small_power(n, bound=None, get_data=False)`

Deprecated version of `is_pseudoprime_power`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: is_pseudoprime_small_power(1234)
doctest:...: DeprecationWarning: the function is_pseudoprime_small_power() is deprecated, use is
See http://trac.sagemath.org/16878 for details.
False
sage: is_pseudoprime_small_power(3^1024, get_data=True)
[(3, 1024)]
```

`sage.arith.misc.is_square(n, root=False)`

Returns whether or not n is square, and if n is a square also returns the square root. If n is not square, also returns `None`.

INPUT:

- n - an integer
- `root` - whether or not to also return a square root (default: `False`)

OUTPUT:

- `bool` - whether or not a square
- `object` - (optional) an actual square if found, and `None` otherwise.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: is_square(2)
False
sage: is_square(4)
True
sage: is_square(2.2)
True
sage: is_square(-2.2)
False
sage: is_square(CDF(-2.2))
True
sage: is_square((x-1)^2)
True

sage: is_square(4, True)
(True, 2)
```

`sage.arith.misc.is_squarefree(n)`

Test whether n is square free.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: is_squarefree(100)
False
sage: is_squarefree(101)
True

sage: R = ZZ['x']
sage: x = R.gen()
sage: is_squarefree((x^2+x+1) * (x-2))
True
```

```

sage: is_squarefree((x-1)**2 * (x-3))
False

sage: O = ZZ[sqrt(-1)]
sage: I = O.gen(1)
sage: is_squarefree(I+1)
True
sage: is_squarefree(O(2))
False
sage: O(2).factor()
(-I) * (I + 1)^2

```

This method fails on domains which are not Unique Factorization Domains:

```

sage: O = ZZ[sqrt(-5)]
sage: a = O.gen(1)
sage: is_squarefree(a - 3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: non-principal ideal in factorization

```

sage.arith.misc.**jacobi_symbol**(a, b)

The Jacobi symbol of integers a and b, where b is odd.

Note: The `kronecker_symbol()` command extends the Jacobi symbol to all integers b.

If

$$b = p_1^{e_1} * \dots * p_r^{e_r}$$

then

$$(a|b) = (a|p_1)^{e_1} \dots (a|p_r)^{e_r}$$

where $(a|p_j)$ are Legendre Symbols.

INPUT:

- a - an integer
- b - an odd integer

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: jacobi_symbol(10, 777)
-1
sage: jacobi_symbol(10, 5)
0
sage: jacobi_symbol(10, 2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: second input must be odd, 2 is not odd

```

sage.arith.misc.**kronecker**(x, y)

The Kronecker symbol $(x|y)$.

INPUT:

- x - integer
- y - integer

OUTPUT:

•an integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: kronecker_symbol(13,21)
-1
sage: kronecker_symbol(101,4)
1
```

This is also available as `kronecker()`:

```
sage: kronecker(3,5)
-1
sage: kronecker(3,15)
0
sage: kronecker(2,15)
1
sage: kronecker(-2,15)
-1
sage: kronecker(2/3,5)
1
```

`sage.arith.misc.kronecker_symbol(x,y)`

The Kronecker symbol $(x|y)$.

INPUT:

• x – integer

• y – integer

OUTPUT:

•an integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: kronecker_symbol(13,21)
-1
sage: kronecker_symbol(101,4)
1
```

This is also available as `kronecker()`:

```
sage: kronecker(3,5)
-1
sage: kronecker(3,15)
0
sage: kronecker(2,15)
1
sage: kronecker(-2,15)
-1
sage: kronecker(2/3,5)
1
```

`sage.arith.misc.lcm(a,b=None)`

The least common multiple of a and b , or if a is a list and b is omitted the least common multiple of all elements of a .

Note that LCM is an alias for lcm.

INPUT:

- a, b - two elements of a ring with lcm or
- a - a list or tuple of elements of a ring with lcm

OUTPUT:

First, the given elements are coerced into a common parent. Then, their least common multiple *in that parent* is returned.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: lcm(97, 100)
9700
sage: LCM(97, 100)
9700
sage: LCM(0, 2)
0
sage: LCM(-3, -5)
15
sage: LCM([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
60
sage: v = LCM(range(1, 10000))    # *very* fast!
sage: len(str(v))
4349
```

TESTS:

The following tests against a bug that was fixed in [trac ticket #10771](#):

```
sage: lcm(4/1, 2)
4
```

The following shows that indeed coercion takes place before computing the least common multiple:

```
sage: R.<x>=QQ[]
sage: S.<x>=ZZ[]
sage: p = S.random_element(degree=(0, 5))
sage: q = R.random_element(degree=(0, 5))
sage: parent(lcm([1/p, q]))
Fraction Field of Univariate Polynomial Ring in x over Rational Field
```

Make sure we try QQ and not merely ZZ ([trac ticket #13014](#)):

```
sage: bool(lcm(2/5, 3/7) == lcm(SR(2/5), SR(3/7)))
True
```

Make sure that the lcm of Expressions stays symbolic:

```
sage: parent(lcm(2, 4))
Integer Ring
sage: parent(lcm(SR(2), 4))
Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(lcm(2, SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
sage: parent(lcm(SR(2), SR(4)))
Symbolic Ring
```

Verify that objects without lcm methods but which can't be coerced to ZZ or QQ raise an error:

```
sage: F.<a, b> = FreeMonoid(2)
sage: lcm(a, b)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
TypeError: unable to find lcm
```

Check rational and integers (trac ticket #17852):

```
sage: lcm(1/2, 4)
4
sage: lcm(4, 1/2)
4
```

`sage.arith.misc.legendre_symbol(x, p)`

The Legendre symbol $(x|p)$, for p prime.

Note: The `kronecker_symbol()` command extends the Legendre symbol to composite moduli and $p = 2$.

INPUT:

- x - integer
- p - an odd prime number

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: legendre_symbol(2, 3)
-1
sage: legendre_symbol(1, 3)
1
sage: legendre_symbol(1, 2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: p must be odd
sage: legendre_symbol(2, 15)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: p must be a prime
sage: kronecker_symbol(2, 15)
1
sage: legendre_symbol(2/3, 7)
-1
```

`sage.arith.misc.mqrr_rational_reconstruction(u, m, T)`

Maximal Quotient Rational Reconstruction.

For research purposes only - this is pure Python, so slow.

INPUT:

- u, m, T - integers such that $m > u \geq 0, T > 0$.

OUTPUT:

Either integers n, d such that $d > 0$, $\gcd(n, d) = 1$, $n/d = u \bmod m$, and $T \cdot d \cdot |n| < m$, or None.

Reference: Monagan, Maximal Quotient Rational Reconstruction: An Almost Optimal Algorithm for Rational Reconstruction (page 11)

This algorithm is probabilistic.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: mqrr_rational_reconstruction(21, 3100, 13)
(21, 1)
```

`sage.arith.misc.multinomial(*ks)`

Return the multinomial coefficient

INPUT:

- An arbitrary number of integer arguments k_1, \dots, k_n
- A list of integers $[k_1, \dots, k_n]$

OUTPUT:

Returns the integer:

$$\binom{k_1 + \dots + k_n}{k_1, \dots, k_n} = \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n k_i)!}{\prod_{i=1}^n k_i!} = \prod_{i=1}^n \binom{\sum_{j=1}^i k_j}{k_i}$$

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: multinomial(0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 0)
3
sage: multinomial([0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 0])
3
sage: multinomial(3, 2)
10
sage: multinomial(2^30, 2, 1)
618970023101454657175683075
sage: multinomial([2^30, 2, 1])
618970023101454657175683075
```

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`sage.arith.misc.multinomial_coefficients(m, n)`

Return a dictionary containing pairs $\{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_m) : C_{k,n}\}$ where $C_{k,n}$ are multinomial coefficients such that $n = k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_m$.

INPUT:

- `m` - integer
- `n` - integer

OUTPUT: dict

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sorted(multinomial_coefficients(2, 5).items())
[(0, 5), 1), ((1, 4), 5), ((2, 3), 10), ((3, 2), 10), ((4, 1), 5), ((5, 0), 1)]
```

Notice that these are the coefficients of $(x + y)^5$:

```
sage: R.<x,y> = QQ[]
sage: (x+y)^5
x^5 + 5*x^4*y + 10*x^3*y^2 + 10*x^2*y^3 + 5*x*y^4 + y^5
```

```
sage: sorted(multinomial_coefficients(3, 2).items())
[(0, 0, 2), 1), ((0, 1, 1), 2), ((0, 2, 0), 1), ((1, 0, 1), 2), ((1, 1, 0), 2), ((2, 0, 0), 1)]
```

ALGORITHM: The algorithm we implement for computing the multinomial coefficients is based on the following result:

..math:

$$\binom{n}{k_1, \dots, k_m} = \frac{k_1+1}{n-k_1} \sum_{i=2}^m \binom{n}{k_1+1, \dots, k_{i-1}, \dots}$$

e.g.:

```
sage: k = (2, 4, 1, 0, 2, 6, 0, 0, 3, 5, 7, 1) # random value
sage: n = sum(k)
sage: s = 0
sage: for i in range(1, len(k)):
....:     ki = list(k)
....:     ki[0] += 1
....:     ki[i] -= 1
....:     s += multinomial(n, *ki)
sage: multinomial(n, *k) == (k[0] + 1) / (n - k[0]) * s
True
```

TESTS:

```
sage: multinomial_coefficients(0, 0)
{(): 1}
sage: multinomial_coefficients(0, 3)
{}
```

`sage.arith.misc.next_prime(n, proof=None)`

The next prime greater than the integer n . If n is prime, then this function does not return n , but the next prime after n . If the optional argument `proof` is `False`, this function only returns a pseudo-prime, as defined by the PARI `nextprime` function. If it is `None`, uses the global default (see `sage.structure.proof.proof`)

INPUT:

- n - integer
- `proof` - bool or `None` (default: `None`)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: next_prime(-100)
2
sage: next_prime(1)
2
sage: next_prime(2)
3
sage: next_prime(3)
5
sage: next_prime(4)
5
```

Notice that the `next_prime(5)` is not 5 but 7.

```
sage: next_prime(5)
7
sage: next_prime(2004)
2011
```

`sage.arith.misc.next_prime_power(n)`

Return the smallest prime power greater than n .

Note that if n is a prime power, then this function does not return n , but the next prime power after n .

This function just calls the method `Integer.next_prime_power()` of `Integers`.

See also:

- `is_prime_power()` (and `Integer.is_prime_power()`)
- `previous_prime_power()` (and `Integer.previous_prime_power()`)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: next_prime_power(1)
2
sage: next_prime_power(2)
3
sage: next_prime_power(10)
11
sage: next_prime_power(7)
8
sage: next_prime_power(99)
101
```

The same results can be obtained with:

```
sage: 1.next_prime_power()
2
sage: 2.next_prime_power()
3
sage: 10.next_prime_power()
11
```

Note that 2 is the smallest prime power:

```
sage: next_prime_power(-10)
2
sage: next_prime_power(0)
2
```

`sage.arith.misc.next_probable_prime(n)`

Returns the next probable prime after self, as determined by PARI.

INPUT:

- `n` - an integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: next_probable_prime(-100)
2
sage: next_probable_prime(19)
23
sage: next_probable_prime(int(99999999))
1000000007
sage: next_probable_prime(2^768)
155251809230070893514897948846250255525688601711669661113905203802605095268637688633087840882864
```

`sage.arith.misc.nth_prime(n)`

Return the `n`-th prime number (1-indexed, so that 2 is the 1st prime.)

INPUT:

- `n` - a positive integer

OUTPUT:

- the `n`-th prime number

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: nth_prime(3)
5
sage: nth_prime(10)
29

sage: nth_prime(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: nth prime meaningless for non-positive n (=0)
```

TESTS:

```
sage: all(prime_pi(nth_prime(j)) == j for j in range(1, 1000, 10))
True
```

`sage.arith.misc.number_of_divisors(n)`
Return the number of divisors of the integer n .

INPUT:

- n - a nonzero integer

OUTPUT:

- an integer, the number of divisors of n

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: number_of_divisors(100)
9
sage: number_of_divisors(-720)
30
```

`sage.arith.misc.odd_part(n)`
The odd part of the integer n . This is $n/2^v$, where $v = \text{valuation}(n, 2)$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: odd_part(5)
5
sage: odd_part(4)
1
sage: odd_part(factorial(31))
122529844256906551386796875
```

`sage.arith.misc.power_mod(a, n, m)`
The n -th power of a modulo the integer m .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: power_mod(0, 0, 5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: 0^0 is undefined.
sage: power_mod(2, 390, 391)
285
sage: power_mod(2, -1, 7)
4
sage: power_mod(11, 1, 7)
4
sage: R.<x> = ZZ[]
sage: power_mod(3*x, 10, 7)
```

```
4*x^10
```

```
sage: power_mod(11,1,0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: modulus must be nonzero.
```

`sage.arith.misc.previous_prime(n)`

The largest prime $< n$. The result is provably correct. If $n \leq 1$, this function raises a `ValueError`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: previous_prime(10)
7
sage: previous_prime(7)
5
sage: previous_prime(8)
7
sage: previous_prime(7)
5
sage: previous_prime(5)
3
sage: previous_prime(3)
2
sage: previous_prime(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no previous prime
sage: previous_prime(1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no previous prime
sage: previous_prime(-20)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no previous prime
```

`sage.arith.misc.previous_prime_power(n)`

Return the largest prime power smaller than n .

The result is provably correct. If n is smaller or equal than 2 this function raises an error.

This function simply call the method `Integer.previous_prime_power()` of `Integers`.

See also:

- `is_prime_power()` (and `Integer.is_prime_power()`)
- `next_prime_power()` (and `Integer.next_prime_power()`)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: previous_prime_power(3)
2
sage: previous_prime_power(10)
9
sage: previous_prime_power(7)
5
sage: previous_prime_power(127)
125
```

The same results can be obtained with:

```
sage: 3.previous_prime_power()
2
sage: 10.previous_prime_power()
9
sage: 7.previous_prime_power()
5
sage: 127.previous_prime_power()
125
```

Input less than or equal to 2 raises errors:

```
sage: previous_prime_power(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no prime power less than 2
sage: previous_prime_power(-10)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no prime power less than 2

sage: n = previous_prime_power(2^16 - 1)
sage: while is_prime(n):
....:     n = previous_prime_power(n)
sage: factor(n)
251^2
```

`sage.arith.misc.prime_divisors(n)`

The prime divisors of n .

INPUT:

- n – any object which can be factored

OUTPUT:

A list of prime factors of n . For integers, this list is sorted in increasing order.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: prime_divisors(1)
[]
sage: prime_divisors(100)
[2, 5]
sage: prime_divisors(2004)
[2, 3, 167]
```

If n is negative, we do *not* include -1 among the prime divisors, since -1 is not a prime number:

```
sage: prime_divisors(-100)
[2, 5]
```

For polynomials we get all irreducible factors:

```
sage: R.<x> = PolynomialRing(QQ)
sage: prime_divisors(x^12 - 1)
[x - 1, x + 1, x^2 - x + 1, x^2 + 1, x^2 + x + 1, x^4 - x^2 + 1]
```

`sage.arith.misc.prime_factors(n)`

The prime divisors of n .

INPUT:

- `n` – any object which can be factored

OUTPUT:

A list of prime factors of `n`. For integers, this list is sorted in increasing order.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: prime_divisors(1)
[]
sage: prime_divisors(100)
[2, 5]
sage: prime_divisors(2004)
[2, 3, 167]
```

If `n` is negative, we do *not* include -1 among the prime divisors, since -1 is not a prime number:

```
sage: prime_divisors(-100)
[2, 5]
```

For polynomials we get all irreducible factors:

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sage: R.<x> = PolynomialRing(QQ)
sage: prime_divisors(x^12 - 1)
[x - 1, x + 1, x^2 - x + 1, x^2 + 1, x^2 + x + 1, x^4 - x^2 + 1]
```

`sage.arith.misc.prime_powers(start, stop=None)`

List of all positive primes powers between `start` and `stop-1`, inclusive. If the second argument is omitted, returns the prime powers up to the first argument.

INPUT:

- `start` - an integer. If two inputs are given, a lower bound for the returned set of prime powers. If this is the only input, then it is an upper bound.
- `stop` - an integer (default: None). An upper bound for the returned set of prime powers.

OUTPUT:

The set of all prime powers between `start` and `stop` or, if only one argument is passed, the set of all prime powers between 1 and `start`. The number n is a prime power if $n = p^k$, where p is a prime number and k is a positive integer. Thus, 1 is not a prime power.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: prime_powers(20)
[2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 16, 17, 19]
sage: len(prime_powers(1000))
193
sage: len(prime_range(1000))
168

sage: a = [z for z in range(95,1234) if is_prime_power(z)]
sage: b = prime_powers(95,1234)
sage: len(b)
194
sage: len(a)
194
sage: a[:10]
[97, 101, 103, 107, 109, 113, 121, 125, 127, 128]
sage: b[:10]
[97, 101, 103, 107, 109, 113, 121, 125, 127, 128]
sage: a == b
```

True

```
sage: prime_powers(100) == [i for i in range(100) if is_prime_power(i)]
True
```

```
sage: prime_powers(10, 7)
[]
sage: prime_powers(-5)
[]
sage: prime_powers(-1, 3)
[2]
```

TESTS:

Check that output are always Sage integers ([trac ticket #922](#)):

```
sage: v = prime_powers(10)
sage: type(v[0])
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

```
sage: prime_powers(0, 1)
[]
sage: prime_powers(2)
[]
sage: prime_powers(3)
[2]
```

```
sage: prime_powers("foo")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to convert 'foo' to an integer
```

```
sage: prime_powers(6, "bar")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to convert 'bar' to an integer
```

Check that long input are accepted ([trac ticket #17852](#)):

```
sage: prime_powers(61)
[2, 3, 4, 5]
sage: prime_powers(61, 101)
[7, 8, 9]
```

`sage.arith.misc.prime_to_m_part(n, m)`

Returns the prime-to-m part of n, i.e., the largest divisor of n that is coprime to m.

INPUT:

- `n` - Integer (nonzero)
- `m` - Integer

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: 240.prime_to_m_part(2)
15
sage: 240.prime_to_m_part(3)
80
```

```
sage: 43434.prime_to_m_part(20)
21717
```

Returns an iterator over all primes between start and stop-1, inclusive. This is much slower than `prime_range`, but potentially uses less memory. As with `next_prime()`, the optional argument `proof` controls whether the numbers returned are guaranteed to be prime or not.

This command is like the `xrange` command, except it only iterates over primes. In some cases it is better to use `primes` than `prime_range`, because `primes` does not build a list of all primes in the range in memory all at once. However, it is potentially much slower since it simply calls the `next_prime()` function repeatedly, and `next_prime()` is slow.

- `start` - an integer - lower bound for the primes
- `stop` - an integer (or infinity) optional argument - giving upper (open) bound for the primes
- `proof` - bool or None (default: None) If True, the function yields only proven primes. If False, the function uses a pseudo-primality test, which is much faster for really big numbers but does not provide a proof of primality. If None, uses the global default (see `sage.structure.proof.proof`)

- an iterator over primes from start to stop-1, inclusive

[illegible]

```
sage: for a in range(-10, 50):
....:     for b in range(-10, 50):
....:         assert list(primes(a,b)) == list(filter(is_prime, xrange(a,b)))
sage: sum(primes(-10, 9973, proof=False)) == sum(filter(is_prime, range(-10, 9973)))
True
sage: for p in primes(10, infinity):
....:     if p > 20: break
....:     print p
11
13
17
19
sage: next(p for p in primes(10,oo)) # checks alternate infinity notation
11
```

```
sage.arith.misc.primes_first_n(n, leave_pari=False)
```

Return the first n primes.

INPUT:

- n - a nonnegative integer

OUTPUT:

- a list of the first n prime numbers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: primes_first_n(10)
[2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29]
sage: len(primes_first_n(1000))
1000
sage: primes_first_n(0)
[]
```

```
sage.arith.misc.primitive_root(n, check=True)
```

Return a positive integer that generates the multiplicative group of integers modulo n , if one exists; otherwise, raise a `ValueError`.

A primitive root exists if $n = 4$ or $n = p^k$ or $n = 2p^k$, where p is an odd prime and k is a nonnegative number.

INPUT:

- n – a non-zero integer
- `check` – bool (default: `True`); if `False`, then n is assumed to be a positive integer possessing a primitive root, and behavior is undefined otherwise.

OUTPUT:

A primitive root of n . If n is prime, this is the smallest primitive root.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: primitive_root(23)
5
sage: primitive_root(-46)
5
sage: primitive_root(25)
2
sage: print [primitive_root(p) for p in primes(100)]
[1, 2, 2, 3, 2, 2, 3, 2, 5, 2, 3, 2, 6, 3, 5, 2, 2, 2, 2, 7, 5, 3, 2, 3, 5]
sage: primitive_root(8)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no primitive root
```

Note: It takes extra work to check if n has a primitive root; to avoid this, use `check=False`, which may slightly speed things up (but could also result in undefined behavior). For example, the second call below is an order of magnitude faster than the first:

```
sage: n = 10^50 + 151 # a prime
sage: primitive_root(n)
11
sage: primitive_root(n, check=False)
11
```

TESTS:

Various special cases:

```
sage: primitive_root(-1)
0
sage: primitive_root(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no primitive root
sage: primitive_root(1)
0
sage: primitive_root(2)
1
sage: primitive_root(3)
2
sage: primitive_root(4)
3
```

We test that various numbers without primitive roots give an error - see [trac ticket #10836](#):

```
sage: primitive_root(15)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no primitive root
sage: primitive_root(16)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no primitive root
sage: primitive_root(1729)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no primitive root
sage: primitive_root(4*7^8)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no primitive root
```

`sage.arith.misc.quadratic_residues(n)`

Return a sorted list of all squares modulo the integer n in the range $0 \leq x < |n|$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: quadratic_residues(11)
[0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 9]
sage: quadratic_residues(1)
[0]
sage: quadratic_residues(2)
[0, 1]
sage: quadratic_residues(8)
[0, 1, 4]
sage: quadratic_residues(-10)
[0, 1, 4, 5, 6, 9]
sage: v = quadratic_residues(1000); len(v);
159
```

`sage.arith.misc.radical(n, *args, **kws)`

Return the product of the prime divisors of n .

This calls `n.radical(*args, **kws)`. If that doesn't work, it does `n.factor(*args, **kws)` and returns the product of the prime factors in the resulting factorization.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: radical(2 * 3^2 * 5^5)
30
sage: radical(0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: Radical of 0 not defined.
sage: K.<i> = QuadraticField(-1)
sage: radical(K(2))
i + 1
```

The next example shows how to compute the radical of a number, assuming no prime > 100000 has exponent > 1 in the factorization:

```
sage: n = 2^1000-1; n / radical(n, limit=100000)
125
```

`sage.arith.misc.random_prime(n, proof=None, lbound=2)`

Returns a random prime p between $lbound$ and n (i.e. $lbound \leq p \leq n$). The returned prime is chosen uniformly at random from the set of prime numbers less than or equal to n .

INPUT:

- n - an integer ≥ 2 .
- `proof` - bool or None (default: None) If False, the function uses a pseudo-primality test, which is much faster for really big numbers but does not provide a proof of primality. If None, uses the global default (see `sage.structure.proof.proof`)
- `lbound` - an integer ≥ 2 lower bound for the chosen primes

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: random_prime(100000)
88237
sage: random_prime(2)
2
```

Here we generate a random prime between 100 and 200:

```
sage: random_prime(200, lbound=100)
149
```

If all we care about is finding a pseudo prime, then we can pass in `proof=False`

```
sage: random_prime(200, proof=False, lbound=100)
149
```

TESTS:

```
sage: type(random_prime(2))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: type(random_prime(100))
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
sage: random_prime(1, lbound=-2) #caused Sage hang #10112
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: n must be greater than or equal to 2
sage: random_prime(126, lbound=114)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: There are no primes between 114 and 126 (inclusive)
```

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`sage.arith.misc.rational_reconstruction(a, m, algorithm='fast')`

This function tries to compute x/y , where x/y is a rational number in lowest terms such that the reduction of x/y modulo m is equal to a and the absolute values of x and y are both $\leq \sqrt{m/2}$. If such x/y exists, that pair is unique and this function returns it. If no such pair exists, this function raises `ZeroDivisionError`.

An efficient algorithm for computing rational reconstruction is very similar to the extended Euclidean algorithm. For more details, see Knuth, Vol 2, 3rd ed, pages 656-657.

INPUT:

- `a` – an integer
- `m` – a modulus
- `algorithm` – (default: 'fast')
 - 'fast' – a fast implementation using direct MPIR calls in Cython.

OUTPUT:

Numerator and denominator n, d of the unique rational number $r = n/d$, if it exists, with n and $|d| \leq \sqrt{N/2}$. Return $(0, 0)$ if no such number exists.

The algorithm for rational reconstruction is described (with a complete nontrivial proof) on pages 656-657 of Knuth, Vol 2, 3rd ed. as the solution to exercise 51 on page 379. See in particular the conclusion paragraph right in the middle of page 657, which describes the algorithm thus:

This discussion proves that the problem can be solved efficiently by applying Algorithm 4.5.2X with $u = m$ and $v = a$, but with the following replacement for step X2: If $v3 \leq \sqrt{m/2}$, the algorithm terminates. The pair $(x, y) = (|v2|, v3 * \text{sign}(v2))$ is then the unique solution, provided that x and y are coprime and $x \leq \sqrt{m/2}$; otherwise there is no solution. (Alg 4.5.2X is the extended Euclidean algorithm.)

Knuth remarks that this algorithm is due to Wang, Kornerup, and Gregory from around 1983.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: m = 100000
sage: (119*inverse_mod(53,m))%m
11323
sage: rational_reconstruction(11323,m)
119/53

sage: rational_reconstruction(400,1000)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: rational reconstruction of 400 (mod 1000) does not exist

sage: rational_reconstruction(3, 292393)
3
sage: a = Integers(292393)(45/97); a
204977
sage: rational_reconstruction(a, 292393, algorithm='fast')
45/97
sage: rational_reconstruction(293048, 292393)
Traceback (most recent call last):
```

```
...
ArithmeticError: rational reconstruction of 655 (mod 292393) does not exist
sage: rational_reconstruction(0, 0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ZeroDivisionError: rational reconstruction with zero modulus
sage: rational_reconstruction(0, 1, algorithm="foobar")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: unknown algorithm 'foobar'
```

sage.arith.misc.**rising_factorial**(x, a)

Returns the rising factorial $(x)^a$.

The notation in the literature is a mess: often $(x)^a$, but there are many other notations: GKP: Concrete Mathematics uses $x^{\overline{a}}$.

The rising factorial is also known as the Pochhammer symbol, see Maple and Mathematica.

Definition: for integer $a \geq 0$ we have $x(x+1) \cdots (x+a-1)$. In all other cases we use the GAMMA-function: $\frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{\Gamma(x)}$.

INPUT:

- x - element of a ring
- a - a non-negative integer or
- x and a - any numbers

OUTPUT: the rising factorial

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: rising_factorial(10, 3)
1320
```

```
sage: rising_factorial(10, RR('3.0'))
1320.0000000000000
```

```
sage: rising_factorial(10, RR('3.3'))
2826.38895824964
```

```
sage: a = rising_factorial(1+I, I); a
gamma(2*I + 1)/gamma(I + 1)
sage: CC(a)
0.266816390637832 + 0.122783354006372*I
```

```
sage: a = rising_factorial(I, 4); a
-10
```

See `falling_factorial(I, 4)`.

```
sage: x = polygen(ZZ)
sage: rising_factorial(x, 4)
x^4 + 6*x^3 + 11*x^2 + 6*x
```

TESTS:

Check that [trac ticket #14858](#) is fixed:

```
sage: bool(rising_factorial(-4, 2) ==
....:      rising_factorial(-4, SR(2))) ==
```



```
....:      rising_factorial(SR(-4), SR(2))
True
```

Check that [trac ticket #16770](#) is fixed:

```
sage: d = var('d')
sage: type(rising_factorial(d, 0))
<type 'sage.symbolic.expression.Expression'>
```

AUTHORS:

- Jaap Spies (2006-03-05)

`sage.arith.misc.sort_complex_numbers_for_display(nums)`

Given a list of complex numbers (or a list of tuples, where the first element of each tuple is a complex number), we sort the list in a “pretty” order. First come the real numbers (with zero imaginary part), then the complex numbers sorted according to their real part. If two complex numbers have a real part which is sufficiently close, then they are sorted according to their imaginary part.

This is not a useful function mathematically (not least because there’s no principled way to determine whether the real components should be treated as equal or not). It is called by various polynomial root-finders; its purpose is to make doctest printing more reproducible.

We deliberately choose a cumbersome name for this function to discourage use, since it is mathematically meaningless.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: import sage.arith.misc
sage: sort_c = sort_complex_numbers_for_display
sage: nums = [CDF(i) for i in range(3)]
sage: for i in range(3):
....:     nums.append(CDF(i + RDF.random_element(-3e-11, 3e-11),
....:                    RDF.random_element()))
....:     nums.append(CDF(i + RDF.random_element(-3e-11, 3e-11),
....:                    RDF.random_element()))
sage: shuffle(nums)
sage: sort_c(nums)
[0.0, 1.0, 2.0, -2.862406201002009e-11 - 0.7088740263015161*I, 2.2108362706985576e-11 - 0.436810
```

`sage.arith.misc.squarefree_divisors(x)`

Iterator over the squarefree divisors (up to units) of the element x .

Depends on the output of the `prime_divisors` function.

INPUT:

- x – an element of any ring for which the `prime_divisors` function works.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: list(squarefree_divisors(7))
[1, 7]
sage: list(squarefree_divisors(6))
[1, 2, 3, 6]
sage: list(squarefree_divisors(12))
[1, 2, 3, 6]
```

TESTS:

Check that the first divisor (i.e. 1) is a Sage integer (see [trac ticket #17852](#)):

```
sage: a = next(squarefree_divisors(14))
sage: a
1
sage: type(a)
<type 'sage.rings.integer.Integer'>
```

`sage.arith.misc.subfactorial(n)`

Subfactorial or rencontres numbers, or derangements: number of permutations of n elements with no fixed points.

INPUT:

- n - non negative integer

OUTPUT:

- integer - function value

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: subfactorial(0)
1
sage: subfactorial(1)
0
sage: subfactorial(8)
14833
```

AUTHORS:

- Jaap Spies (2007-01-23)

`sage.arith.misc.sum_of_k_squares(k, n)`

Write the integer n as a sum of k integer squares if possible; otherwise raise a `ValueError`.

INPUT:

- k – a non-negative integer
- n – an integer

OUTPUT: a tuple (x_1, \dots, x_k) of non-negative integers such that their squares sum to n .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sum_of_k_squares(2, 9634)
(15, 97)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(3, 9634)
(0, 15, 97)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(4, 9634)
(1, 2, 5, 98)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(5, 9634)
(0, 1, 2, 5, 98)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(6, 11^1111-1)
(19215400822645944253860920437586326284, 37204645194585992174252915693267578306, 347365481947739
sage: sum_of_k_squares(7, 0)
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(30, 999999)
(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 3, 7, 44, 999)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(1, 9)
(3,)
sage: sum_of_k_squares(1, 10)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
```

```

ValueError: 10 is not a sum of 1 square
sage: sum_of_k_squares(1, -10)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: -10 is not a sum of 1 square
sage: sum_of_k_squares(0, 9)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 9 is not a sum of 0 squares
sage: sum_of_k_squares(0, 0)
()
sage: sum_of_k_squares(7, -1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: -1 is not a sum of 7 squares
sage: sum_of_k_squares(-1, 0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: k = -1 must be non-negative

```

`sage.arith.misc.three_squares(n)`

Write the integer n as a sum of three integer squares if possible; otherwise raise a `ValueError`.

INPUT:

• n – an integer

OUTPUT: a tuple (a, b, c) of non-negative integers such that $n = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ with $a \leq b \leq c$.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: three_squares(389)
(1, 8, 18)
sage: three_squares(946)
(9, 9, 28)
sage: three_squares(2986)
(3, 24, 49)
sage: three_squares(7^100)
(0, 0, 1798465042647412146620280340569649349251249)
sage: three_squares(11^111-1)
(616274160655975340150706442680, 901582938385735143295060746161, 6270382387635744140394001363065)
sage: three_squares(7 * 2^41)
(1048576, 2097152, 3145728)
sage: three_squares(7 * 2^42)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 30786325577728 is not a sum of 3 squares
sage: three_squares(0)
(0, 0, 0)
sage: three_squares(-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: -1 is not a sum of 3 squares

```

TESTS:

```

sage: for _ in xrange(100):
....:     a = ZZ.random_element(2**16, 2**20)
....:     b = ZZ.random_element(2**16, 2**20)
....:     c = ZZ.random_element(2**16, 2**20)

```

```
....:      n = a**2 + b**2 + c**2
....:      aa,bb,cc = three_squares(n)
....:      assert aa**2 + bb**2 + cc**2 == n
```

ALGORITHM:

See <http://www.schorn.ch/howto.html>

`sage.arith.misc.trial_division(n, bound=None)`

Return the smallest prime divisor \leq bound of the positive integer n , or n if there is no such prime. If the optional argument bound is omitted, then $\text{bound} \leq n$.

INPUT:

- n - a positive integer
- bound - (optional) a positive integer

OUTPUT:

- int - a prime $p \leq \text{bound}$ that divides n , or n if there is no such prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: trial_division(15)
3
sage: trial_division(91)
7
sage: trial_division(11)
11
sage: trial_division(387833, 300)
387833
sage: # 300 is not big enough to split off a
sage: # factor, but 400 is.
sage: trial_division(387833, 400)
389
```

`sage.arith.misc.two_squares(n)`

Write the integer n as a sum of two integer squares if possible; otherwise raise a `ValueError`.

INPUT:

- n - an integer

OUTPUT: a tuple (a, b) of non-negative integers such that $n = a^2 + b^2$ with $a \leq b$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: two_squares(389)
(10, 17)
sage: two_squares(21)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: 21 is not a sum of 2 squares
sage: two_squares(21^2)
(0, 21)
sage: a,b = two_squares(10000000000000000129); a,b
(4418521500, 8970878873)
sage: a^2 + b^2
100000000000000000129
sage: two_squares(2^222+1)
(253801659504708621991421712450521, 2583712713213354898490304645018692)
sage: two_squares(0)
```

```
(0, 0)
sage: two_squares(-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: -1 is not a sum of 2 squares
```

TESTS:

```
sage: for _ in xrange(100):
....:     a = ZZ.random_element(2**16, 2**20)
....:     b = ZZ.random_element(2**16, 2**20)
....:     n = a**2 + b**2
....:     aa,bb = two_squares(n)
....:     assert aa**2 + bb**2 == n
```

ALGORITHM:

See <http://www.schorn.ch/howto.html>

`sage.arith.misc.valuation(m, *args, **kws)`

Return the valuation of `m`.

This function simply calls the `m.valuation()` method. See the documentation of `m.valuation()` for a more precise description.

Note that the use of this functions is discouraged as it is better to use `m.valuation()` directly.

Note: This is not always a valuation in the mathematical sense. For more information see: `sage.rings.finite_rings.integer_mod.IntegerMod_int.valuation`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: valuation(512, 2)
9
sage: valuation(1, 2)
0
sage: valuation(5/9, 3)
-2
```

Valuation of 0 is defined, but valuation with respect to 0 is not:

```
sage: valuation(0, 7)
+Infinity
sage: valuation(3, 0)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: You can only compute the valuation with respect to a integer larger than 1.
```

Here are some other examples:

```
sage: valuation(100, 10)
2
sage: valuation(200, 10)
2
sage: valuation(243, 3)
5
sage: valuation(243*10007, 3)
5
sage: valuation(243*10007, 10007)
1
```

```

sage: y = QQ['y'].gen()
sage: valuation(y^3, y)
3
sage: x = QQ[['x']].gen()
sage: valuation((x^3-x^2)/(x-4))
2
sage: valuation(4r, 2r)
2
sage: valuation(1r, 1r)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: You can only compute the valuation with respect to a integer larger than 1.

```

sage.arith.misc.**xgcd**(a, b)

Return a triple (g, s, t) such that $g = s \cdot a + t \cdot b = \gcd(a, b)$.

Note: One exception is if a and b are not in a principal ideal domain (see [Wikipedia article Principal_ideal_domain](#)), e.g., they are both polynomials over the integers. Then this function can't in general return (g, s, t) as above, since they need not exist. Instead, over the integers, we first multiply g by a divisor of the resultant of a/g and b/g , up to sign.

INPUT:

- a, b - integers or more generally, element of a ring for which the `xgcd` make sense (e.g. a field or univariate polynomials).

OUTPUT:

- g, s, t - such that $g = s \cdot a + t \cdot b$

Note: There is no guarantee that the returned cofactors (s and t) are minimal.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: xgcd(56, 44)
(4, 4, -5)
sage: 4*56 + (-5)*44
4

sage: g, a, b = xgcd(5/1, 7/1); g, a, b
(1, 3, -2)
sage: a*(5/1) + b*(7/1) == g
True

sage: x = polygen(QQ)
sage: xgcd(x^3 - 1, x^2 - 1)
(x - 1, 1, -x)

sage: K.<g> = NumberField(x^2-3)
sage: g.xgcd(g+2)
(1, 1/3*g, 0)

sage: R.<a,b> = K[]
sage: S.<y> = R.fraction_field()[]
sage: xgcd(y^2, a*y+b)
(1, a^2/b^2, ((-a)/b^2)*y + 1/b)
sage: xgcd((b+g)*y^2, (a+g)*y+b)
(1, (a^2 + (2*g)*a + 3)/(b^3 + (g)*b^2), ((-a + (-g))/b^2)*y + 1/b)

```

Here is an example of a `xgcd` for two polynomials over the integers, where the linear combination is not the gcd but the gcd multiplied by the resultant:

```
sage: R.<x> = ZZ[]
sage: gcd(2*x*(x-1), x^2)
x
sage: xgcd(2*x*(x-1), x^2)
(2*x, -1, 2)
sage: (2*(x-1)).resultant(x)
2
```

`sage.arith.misc.xkcd(n='')`

This function is similar to the `xgcd` function, but behaves in a completely different way.

INPUT:

- `n` - an integer (optional)

OUTPUT:

This function outputs nothing it just prints something. Note that this function does not feel itself at ease in a html deprived environment.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: xkcd(353) # optional - internet
<html><font color='black'><h1>Python</h1><img src="http://imgs.xkcd.com/comics/python.png" title
```

`sage.arith.misc.xlcm(m, n)`

Extended lcm function: given two positive integers m, n , returns a triple (l, m_1, n_1) such that $l = \text{lcm}(m, n) = m_1 \cdot n_1$ where $m_1 | m, n_1 | n$ and $\text{gcd}(m_1, n_1) = 1$, all with no factorization.

Used to construct an element of order l from elements of orders m, n in any group: see `sage/groups/generic.py` for examples.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: xlcm(120, 36)
(360, 40, 9)
```

See also:

- *Integer Range*
- *Positive Integers*
- *Non Negative Integers*
- *The set of prime numbers*

RATIONALS

2.1 Field \mathbb{Q} of Rational Numbers

The class `RationalField` represents the field \mathbb{Q} of (arbitrary precision) rational numbers. Each rational number is an instance of the class `Rational`.

Interactively, an instance of `RationalField` is available as `QQ`:

```
sage: QQ
Rational Field
```

Values of various types can be converted to rational numbers by using the `__call__` method of `RationalField` (that is, by treating `QQ` as a function).

```
sage: RealField(9).pi()
3.1
sage: QQ(RealField(9).pi())
22/7
sage: QQ(RealField().pi())
245850922/78256779
sage: QQ(35)
35
sage: QQ('12/347')
12/347
sage: QQ(exp(pi*I))
-1
sage: x = polygen(ZZ)
sage: QQ((3*x)/(4*x))
3/4
```

TEST:

```
sage: Q = RationalField()
sage: Q == loads(dumps(Q))
True
sage: RationalField() is RationalField()
True
```

AUTHORS:

- Niles Johnson (2010-08): [trac ticket #3893](#): `random_element()` should pass on `*args` and `**kwargs`.
- Travis Scrimshaw (2012-10-18): Added additional docstrings for full coverage. Removed duplicates of `discriminant()` and `signature()`.

class sage.rings.rational_field.**RationalField**

Bases: sage.misc.fast_methods.Singleton, sage.rings.number_field.number_field_base.NumberField

The class RationalField represents the field \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = long(901824309821093821093812093810928309183091832091)
sage: b = QQ(a); b
901824309821093821093812093810928309183091832091
sage: QQ(b)
901824309821093821093812093810928309183091832091
sage: QQ(int(93820984323))
93820984323
sage: QQ(ZZ(901824309821093821093812093810928309183091832091))
901824309821093821093812093810928309183091832091
sage: QQ('-930482/9320842317')
-930482/9320842317
sage: QQ((-930482, 9320842317))
-930482/9320842317
sage: QQ([9320842317])
9320842317
sage: QQ(pari(39029384023840928309482842098430284398243982394))
39029384023840928309482842098430284398243982394
sage: QQ('sage')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to convert sage to a rational
```

Conversion from the reals to the rationals is done by default using continued fractions.

```
sage: QQ(RR(3929329/32))
3929329/32
sage: QQ(-RR(3929329/32))
-3929329/32
sage: QQ(RR(1/7)) - 1/7
0
```

If you specify an optional second base argument, then the string representation of the float is used.

```
sage: QQ(23.2, 2)
6530219459687219/281474976710656
sage: 6530219459687219.0/281474976710656
23.200000000000000
sage: a = 23.2; a
23.200000000000000
sage: QQ(a, 10)
116/5
```

Here's a nice example involving elliptic curves:

```
sage: E = EllipticCurve('11a')
sage: L = E.lseries().at1(300)[0]; L
0.2538418608559106843377589233...
sage: O = E.period_lattice().omega(); O
1.26920930427955
sage: t = L/O; t
0.20000000000000000
sage: QQ(RealField(45)(t))
1/5
```

absolute_degree()

Return the absolute degree of \mathbb{Q} which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.absolute_degree()
1
```

absolute_discriminant()

Return the absolute discriminant, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.absolute_discriminant()
1
```

algebraic_closure()

Return the algebraic closure of self (which is $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$).

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.algebraic_closure()
Algebraic Field
```

characteristic()

Return 0 since the rational field has characteristic 0.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: c = QQ.characteristic(); c
0
sage: parent(c)
Integer Ring
```

class_number()

Return the class number of the field of rational numbers, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.class_number()
1
```

completion(*p*, *prec*, *extras*={})

Return the completion of \mathbb{Q} at p .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.completion(infinity, 53)
Real Field with 53 bits of precision
sage: QQ.completion(5, 15, {'print_mode': 'bars'})
5-adic Field with capped relative precision 15
```

complex_embedding(*prec*=53)

Return embedding of the rational numbers into the complex numbers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.complex_embedding()
Ring morphism:
  From: Rational Field
  To:   Complex Field with 53 bits of precision
  Defn: 1 |--> 1.000000000000000
sage: QQ.complex_embedding(20)
```

```
Ring morphism:
  From: Rational Field
  To:   Complex Field with 20 bits of precision
  Defn: 1 |--> 1.0000
```

construction()

Returns a pair (functor, parent) such that functor(parent) returns self.

This is the construction of \mathbb{Q} as the fraction field of \mathbb{Z} .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.construction()
(FractionField, Integer Ring)
```

degree()

Return the degree of \mathbb{Q} which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.degree()
1
```

discriminant()

Return the discriminant of the field of rational numbers, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.discriminant()
1
```

embeddings(K)

Return list of the one embedding of \mathbb{Q} into K , if it exists.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.embeddings(QQ)
[Ring Coercion endomorphism of Rational Field]
sage: QQ.embeddings(CyclotomicField(5))
[Ring Coercion morphism:
  From: Rational Field
  To:   Cyclotomic Field of order 5 and degree 4]
```

K must have characteristic 0:

```
sage: QQ.embeddings(GF(3))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no embeddings of the rational field into K.
```

extension(poly, names, check=True, embedding=None)

Create a field extension of \mathbb{Q} .

EXAMPLES:

We make a single absolute extension:

```
sage: K.<a> = QQ.extension(x^3 + 5); K
Number Field in a with defining polynomial x^3 + 5
```

We make an extension generated by roots of two polynomials:

```

sage: K.<a,b> = QQ.extension([x^3 + 5, x^2 + 3]); K
Number Field in a with defining polynomial x^3 + 5 over its base field
sage: b^2
-3
sage: a^3
-5

```

gen($n=0$)

Return the n -th generator of \mathbf{Q} .

There is only the 0-th generator which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ.gen()
1

```

gens()

Return a tuple of generators of \mathbf{Q} which is only $(1,)$.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ.gens()
(1,)

```

is_absolute()

\mathbf{Q} is an absolute extension of \mathbf{Q} .

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ.is_absolute()
True

```

is_field(*proof=True*)

Return True, since the rational field is a field.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ.is_field()
True

```

is_finite()

Return False, since the rational field is not finite.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ.is_finite()
False

```

is_prime_field()

Return True since \mathbf{Q} is a prime field.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ.is_prime_field()
True

```

is_subring(K)

Return True if \mathbf{Q} is a subring of K .

We are only able to determine this in some cases, e.g., when K is a field or of positive characteristic.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.is_subring(QQ)
True
sage: QQ.is_subring(QQ['x'])
True
sage: QQ.is_subring(GF(7))
False
sage: QQ.is_subring(CyclotomicField(7))
True
sage: QQ.is_subring(ZZ)
False
sage: QQ.is_subring(Frac(ZZ))
True
```

maximal_order()

Return the maximal order of the rational numbers, i.e., the ring \mathbb{Z} of integers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.maximal_order()
Integer Ring
sage: QQ.ring_of_integers ()
Integer Ring
```

ngens()

Return the number of generators of \mathbb{Q} which is 1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.ngens()
1
```

number_field()

Return the number field associated to \mathbb{Q} . Since \mathbb{Q} is a number field, this just returns \mathbb{Q} again.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.number_field() is QQ
True
```

order()

Return the order of \mathbb{Q} which is ∞ .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.order()
+Infinity
```

places (*all_complex=False, prec=None*)

Return the collection of all infinite places of self, which in this case is just the embedding of self into \mathbb{R} .

By default, this returns homomorphisms into \mathbb{R} . If *prec* is not None, we simply return homomorphisms into `RealField(prec)` (or `RDF` if *prec*=53).

There is an optional flag *all_complex*, which defaults to False. If *all_complex* is True, then the real embeddings are returned as embeddings into the corresponding complex field.

For consistency with non-trivial number fields.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.places()
[Ring morphism:
```


Any extra positional or keyword arguments are passed through to `sage.rings.integer_ring.IntegerRing_class.random_element()`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.random_element()
-4
sage: QQ.random_element()
0
sage: QQ.random_element()
-1/2
```

In the following example, the resulting numbers range from $-5/1$ to $5/1$ (both inclusive), while the smallest possible positive value is $1/10$:

```
sage: QQ.random_element(5, 10)
-2/7
```

Extra positional or keyword arguments are passed through:

```
sage: QQ.random_element(distribution='1/n')
0
sage: QQ.random_element(distribution='1/n')
-1
```

range_by_height (*start, end=None*)

Range function for rational numbers, ordered by height.

Returns a Python generator for the list of rational numbers with heights in `range(start, end)`. Follows the same convention as Python `range`, see `range?` for details.

See also `__iter__()`.

EXAMPLES:

All rational numbers with height strictly less than 4:

```
sage: list(QQ.range_by_height(4))
[0, 1, -1, 1/2, -1/2, 2, -2, 1/3, -1/3, 3, -3, 2/3, -2/3, 3/2, -3/2]
sage: [a.height() for a in QQ.range_by_height(4)]
[1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3]
```

All rational numbers with height 2:

```
sage: list(QQ.range_by_height(2, 3))
[1/2, -1/2, 2, -2]
```

Nonsensical integer arguments will return an empty generator:

```
sage: list(QQ.range_by_height(3, 3))
[]
sage: list(QQ.range_by_height(10, 1))
[]
```

There are no rational numbers with height ≤ 0 :

```
sage: list(QQ.range_by_height(-10, 1))
[]
```

relative_discriminant ()

Return the relative discriminant, which is 1.

EXAMPLES:


```
sage: QQ.relative_discriminant()
1
```

residue_field(p , *check=True*)

Return the residue field of \mathbb{Q} at the prime p , for consistency with other number fields.

INPUT:

- p - a prime integer.
- *check* (default True) - if True check the primality of p , else do not.

OUTPUT: The residue field at this prime.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.residue_field(5)
Residue field of Integers modulo 5
sage: QQ.residue_field(next_prime(10^9))
Residue field of Integers modulo 1000000007
```

selmer_group(S , m , *proof=True*, *orders=False*)

Compute the group $\mathbb{Q}(S, m)$.

INPUT:

- S – a set of primes
- m – a positive integer
- *proof* – ignored
- *orders* (default False) – if True, output two lists, the generators and their orders

OUTPUT:

A list of generators of $\mathbb{Q}(S, m)$ (and, optionally, their orders in $\mathbb{Q}^\times/(\mathbb{Q}^\times)^m$). This is the subgroup of $\mathbb{Q}^\times/(\mathbb{Q}^\times)^m$ consisting of elements a such that the valuation of a is divisible by m at all primes not in S . It is equal to the group of S -units modulo m -th powers. The group $\mathbb{Q}(S, m)$ contains the subgroup of those a such that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[m]{a})/\mathbb{Q}$ is unramified at all primes of \mathbb{Q} outside of S , but may contain it properly when not all primes dividing m are in S .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.selmer_group((), 2)
[-1]
sage: QQ.selmer_group((3,), 2)
[-1, 3]
sage: QQ.selmer_group((5,), 2)
[-1, 5]
```

The previous examples show that the group generated by the output may be strictly larger than the ‘true’ Selmer group of elements giving extensions unramified outside S .

When m is even, -1 is a generator of order 2:

```
sage: QQ.selmer_group((2,3,5,7,), 2, orders=True)
([-1, 2, 3, 5, 7], [2, 2, 2, 2, 2])
sage: QQ.selmer_group((2,3,5,7,), 3, orders=True)
([2, 3, 5, 7], [3, 3, 3, 3])
```

selmer_group_iterator(S , m , *proof=True*)

Return an iterator through elements of the finite group $\mathbb{Q}(S, m)$.

INPUT:

- S – a set of primes
- m – a positive integer
- `proof` – ignored

OUTPUT:

An iterator yielding the distinct elements of $\mathbf{Q}(S, m)$. See the docstring for `selmer_group()` for more information.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: list(QQ.selmer_group_iterator((), 2))
[1, -1]
sage: list(QQ.selmer_group_iterator((2,), 2))
[1, 2, -1, -2]
sage: list(QQ.selmer_group_iterator((2,3), 2))
[1, 3, 2, 6, -1, -3, -2, -6]
sage: list(QQ.selmer_group_iterator((5,), 2))
[1, 5, -1, -5]
```

signature()

Return the signature of the rational field, which is $(1, 0)$, since there are 1 real and no complex embeddings.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.signature()
(1, 0)
```

some_elements()

Return some elements of \mathbf{Q} .

See `TestSuite()` for a typical use case.

OUTPUT:

An iterator over 100 elements of \mathbf{Q} .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: tuple(QQ.some_elements())
(1/2, -1/2, 2, -2,
 0, 1, -1, 42,
 2/3, -2/3, 3/2, -3/2,
 4/5, -4/5, 5/4, -5/4,
 6/7, -6/7, 7/6, -7/6,
 8/9, -8/9, 9/8, -9/8,
 10/11, -10/11, 11/10, -11/10,
 12/13, -12/13, 13/12, -13/12,
 14/15, -14/15, 15/14, -15/14,
 16/17, -16/17, 17/16, -17/16,
 18/19, -18/19, 19/18, -19/18,
 20/441, -20/441, 441/20, -441/20,
 22/529, -22/529, 529/22, -529/22,
 24/625, -24/625, 625/24, -625/24,
 ...)
```

zeta(n=2)

Return a root of unity in `self`.

INPUT:

- n – integer (default: 2) order of the root of unity

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ.zeta()
-1
sage: QQ.zeta(2)
-1
sage: QQ.zeta(1)
1
sage: QQ.zeta(3)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: no n-th root of unity in rational field
```

`sage.rings.rational_field.frac(n, d)`

Return the fraction n/d .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.rational_field import frac
sage: frac(1, 2)
1/2
```

`sage.rings.rational_field.is_RationalField(x)`

Check to see if x is the rational field.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.rational_field import is_RationalField as is_RF
sage: is_RF(QQ)
True
sage: is_RF(ZZ)
False
```

2.2 Rational Numbers

AUTHORS:

- William Stein (2005): first version
- William Stein (2006-02-22): floor and ceil (pure fast GMP versions).
- Gonzalo Tornaria and William Stein (2006-03-02): greatly improved python/GMP conversion; hashing
- William Stein and Naqi Jaffery (2006-03-06): height, sqrt examples, and improve behavior of sqrt.
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- John Cremona (2009-05-15): added support for local and global logarithmic heights.
- Travis Scrimshaw (2012-10-18): Added doctests for full coverage.
- Vincent Delecroix (2013): continued fraction

TESTS:

```
sage: a = -2/3
sage: a == loads(dumps(a))
True
```

class `sage.rings.rational.Q_to_Z`
Bases: `sage.categories.map.Map`

A morphism from \mathbb{Q} to \mathbb{Z} .

TESTS:

```
sage: type(ZZ.convert_map_from(QQ))
<type 'sage.rings.rational.Q_to_Z'>
```

section()

Return a section of this morphism.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: sage.rings.rational.Q_to_Z(QQ, ZZ).section()
Natural morphism:
  From: Integer Ring
  To:   Rational Field
```

class `sage.rings.rational.Rational`
Bases: `sage.structure.element.FieldElement`

A rational number.

Rational numbers are implemented using the GMP C library.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = -2/3
sage: type(a)
<type 'sage.rings.rational.Rational'>
sage: parent(a)
Rational Field
sage: Rational('1/0')
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: unable to convert 1/0 to a rational
sage: Rational(1.5)
3/2
sage: Rational('9/6')
3/2
sage: Rational((2^99, 2^100))
1/2
sage: Rational(("2", "10"), 16)
1/8
sage: Rational(QQbar(125/8).nth_root(3))
5/2
sage: Rational(AA(209735/343 - 17910/49*golden_ratio).nth_root(3) + 3*AA(golden_ratio))
53/7
sage: QQ(float(1.5))
3/2
sage: QQ(RDF(1.2))
6/5
```

Conversion from PARI:

```
sage: Rational(pari('-939082/3992923'))
-939082/3992923
sage: Rational(pari('Pol([-1/2])')) #9595
-1/2
```

Conversions from numpy:

```
sage: import numpy as np
sage: QQ(np.int8('-15'))
-15
sage: QQ(np.int16('-32'))
-32
sage: QQ(np.int32('-19'))
-19
sage: QQ(np.uint32('1412'))
1412
```

```
sage: QQ(np.float16('12'))
12
```

absolute_norm()

Returns the norm from \mathbb{Q} to \mathbb{Q} of x (which is just x). This was added for compatibility with NumberFields

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (6/5).absolute_norm()
6/5

sage: QQ(7/5).absolute_norm()
7/5
```

additive_order()

Return the additive order of `self`.

OUTPUT: integer or infinity

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(0).additive_order()
1
sage: QQ(1).additive_order()
+Infinity
```

ceil()

Return the ceiling of this rational number.

OUTPUT: Integer

If this rational number is an integer, this returns this number, otherwise it returns the floor of this number +1.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 5/3; n.ceil()
2
sage: n = -17/19; n.ceil()
0
sage: n = -7/2; n.ceil()
-3
sage: n = 7/2; n.ceil()
4
```

```
sage: n = 10/2; n.ceil()
5
```

charpoly (*var*)

Return the characteristic polynomial of this rational number. This will always be just `var - self`; this is really here so that code written for number fields won't crash when applied to rational numbers.

INPUT:

- `var` - a string

OUTPUT: Polynomial

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1/3).charpoly('x')
x - 1/3
```

AUTHORS:

- Craig Citro

conjugate ()

Return the complex conjugate of this rational number, which is the number itself.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 23/11
sage: n.conjugate()
23/11
```

content (*other*)

Return the content of `self` and `other`, i.e. the unique positive rational number c such that `self/c` and `other/c` are coprime integers.

`other` can be a rational number or a list of rational numbers.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = 2/3
sage: a.content(2/3)
2/3
sage: a.content(1/5)
1/15
sage: a.content([2/5, 4/9])
2/45
```

continued_fraction ()

Return the continued fraction of that rational.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (641/472).continued_fraction()
[1; 2, 1, 3, 1, 4, 1, 5]

sage: a = (355/113).continued_fraction(); a
[3; 7, 16]
sage: a.n(digits=10)
3.141592920
sage: pi.n(digits=10)
3.141592654
```

It's almost pi!

continued_fraction_list (*type*='std')

Return the list of partial quotients of this rational number.

INPUT:

- *type* - either “std” (the default) for the standard continued fractions or “hj” for the Hirzebruch-Jung ones.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (13/9).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[1, 2, 4]
```

```
sage: 1 + 1/(2 + 1/4)
```

```
13/9
```

```
sage: (225/157).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
sage: 1 + 1/(2 + 1/(3 + 1/(4 + 1/5)))
```

```
225/157
```

```
sage: (fibonacci(20)/fibonacci(19)).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2]
```

```
sage: (-1/3).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[-1, 1, 2]
```

Check that the partial quotients of an integer n is simply $[n]$:

```
sage: QQ(1).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[1]
```

```
sage: QQ(0).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[0]
```

```
sage: QQ(-1).continued_fraction_list()
```

```
[-1]
```

Hirzebruch-Jung continued fractions:

```
sage: (11/19).continued_fraction_list("hj")
```

```
[1, 3, 2, 3, 2]
```

```
sage: 1 - 1/(3 - 1/(2 - 1/(3 - 1/2)))
```

```
11/19
```

```
sage: (225/137).continued_fraction_list("hj")
```

```
[2, 3, 5, 10]
```

```
sage: 2 - 1/(3 - 1/(5 - 1/10))
```

```
225/137
```

```
sage: (-23/19).continued_fraction_list("hj")
```

```
[-1, 5, 4]
```

```
sage: -1 - 1/(5 - 1/4)
```

```
-23/19
```

denom ()

Returns the denominator of this rational number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = 5/13
```

```
sage: x.denom()
```

```
13
```

```
sage: x = -9/3
```

```
sage: x.denom()
1
```

denominator()

Returns the denominator of this rational number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = -5/11
sage: x.denominator()
11
sage: x = 9/3
sage: x.denominator()
1
```

factor()

Return the factorization of this rational number.

OUTPUT: Factorization

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-4/17).factor()
-1 * 2^2 * 17^-1
```

Trying to factor 0 gives an arithmetic error:

```
sage: (0/1).factor()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: Prime factorization of 0 not defined.
```

floor()

Return the floor of this rational number as an integer.

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: n = 5/3; n.floor()
1
sage: n = -17/19; n.floor()
-1
sage: n = -7/2; n.floor()
-4
sage: n = 7/2; n.floor()
3
sage: n = 10/2; n.floor()
5
```

gamma(*prec=None*)

Return the gamma function evaluated at `self`. This value is exact for integers and half-integers, and returns a symbolic value otherwise. For a numerical approximation, use keyword `prec`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: gamma(1/2)
sqrt(pi)
sage: gamma(7/2)
15/8*sqrt(pi)
sage: gamma(-3/2)
4/3*sqrt(pi)
```



```
sage: gamma(6/1)
120
sage: gamma(1/3)
gamma(1/3)
```

This function accepts an optional precision argument:

```
sage: (1/3).gamma(prec=100)
2.6789385347077476336556929410
sage: (1/2).gamma(prec=100)
1.7724538509055160272981674833
```

global_height (*prec=None*)

Returns the absolute logarithmic height of this rational number.

INPUT:

- *prec* (int) – desired floating point precision (default: default RealField precision).

OUTPUT:

(real) The absolute logarithmic height of this rational number.

ALGORITHM:

The height is the sum of the total archimedean and non-archimedean components, which is equal to $\max(\log(n), \log(d))$ where n, d are the numerator and denominator of the rational number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = QQ(6/25)
sage: a.global_height_arch() + a.global_height_non_arch()
3.21887582486820
sage: a.global_height()
3.21887582486820
sage: (1/a).global_height()
3.21887582486820
sage: QQ(0).global_height()
0.0000000000000000
sage: QQ(1).global_height()
0.0000000000000000
```

global_height_arch (*prec=None*)

Returns the total archimedean component of the height of this rational number.

INPUT:

- *prec* (int) – desired floating point precision (default: default RealField precision).

OUTPUT:

(real) The total archimedean component of the height of this rational number.

ALGORITHM:

Since \mathbb{Q} has only one infinite place this is just the value of the local height at that place. This separate function is included for compatibility with number fields.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = QQ(6/25)
sage: a.global_height_arch()
0.0000000000000000
sage: (1/a).global_height_arch()
```

```
1.42711635564015
sage: (1/a).global_height_arch(100)
1.4271163556401457483890413081
```

global_height_non_arch (*prec=None*)

Returns the total non-archimedean component of the height of this rational number.

INPUT:

- *prec* (int) – desired floating point precision (default: default RealField precision).

OUTPUT:

(real) The total non-archimedean component of the height of this rational number.

ALGORITHM:

This is the sum of the local heights at all primes p , which may be computed without factorization as the log of the denominator.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = QQ(5/6)
sage: a.support()
[2, 3, 5]
sage: a.global_height_non_arch()
1.79175946922805
sage: [a.local_height(p) for p in a.support()]
[0.693147180559945, 1.09861228866811, 0.000000000000000]
sage: sum([a.local_height(p) for p in a.support()])
1.79175946922805
```

height ()

The max absolute value of the numerator and denominator of *self*, as an *Integer*.

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = 2/3
sage: a.height()
3
sage: a = 34/3
sage: a.height()
34
sage: a = -97/4
sage: a.height()
97
```

AUTHORS:

- Naqi Jaffery (2006-03-05): examples

Note: For the logarithmic height, use `global_height()`.

imag ()

Returns the imaginary part of *self*, which is zero.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1/239).imag()
0
```

is_S_integral ($S=[]$)

Determine if the rational number is S-integral.

x is S-integral if $x.\text{valuation}(p) \geq 0$ for all p not in S , i.e., the denominator of x is divisible only by the primes in S .

INPUT:

- S – list or tuple of primes.

OUTPUT: bool

Note: Primality of the entries in S is not checked.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(1/2).is_S_integral()
False
sage: QQ(1/2).is_S_integral([2])
True
sage: [a for a in range(1,11) if QQ(101/a).is_S_integral([2,5])]
[1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10]
```

is_S_unit ($S=None$)

Determine if the rational number is an S-unit.

x is an S-unit if $x.\text{valuation}(p) == 0$ for all p not in S , i.e., the numerator and denominator of x are divisible only by the primes in S .

INPUT:

- S – list or tuple of primes.

OUTPUT: bool

Note: Primality of the entries in S is not checked.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(1/2).is_S_unit()
False
sage: QQ(1/2).is_S_unit([2])
True
sage: [a for a in range(1,11) if QQ(10/a).is_S_unit([2,5])]
[1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10]
```

is_integer ()Determine if a rational number is integral (i.e is in \mathbb{Z}).

OUTPUT: bool

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(1/2).is_integer()
False
sage: QQ(4/4).is_integer()
True
```

is_integral ()Determine if a rational number is integral (i.e is in \mathbb{Z}).

OUTPUT: bool

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(1/2).is_integral()
False
sage: QQ(4/4).is_integral()
True
```

is_norm(*L*, *element=False*, *proof=True*)

Determine whether *self* is the norm of an element of *L*.

INPUT:

- *L* – a number field
- *element* – (default: *False*) boolean whether to also output an element of which *self* is a norm
- *proof* – If *True*, then the output is correct unconditionally. If *False*, then the output assumes GRH.

OUTPUT:

If *element* is *False*, then the output is a boolean *B*, which is *True* if and only if *self* is the norm of an element of *L*. If *element* is *True*, then the output is a pair (*B*, *x*), where *B* is as above. If *B* is *True*, then *x* an element of *L* such that *self* == *x*.norm(). Otherwise, *x* is *None*.

ALGORITHM:

Uses PARI's `bnfisnorm`. See `_bnfisnorm()`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: K = NumberField(x^2 - 2, 'beta')
sage: (1/7).is_norm(K)
True
sage: (1/10).is_norm(K)
False
sage: 0.is_norm(K)
True
sage: (1/7).is_norm(K, element=True)
(True, 1/7*beta + 3/7)
sage: (1/10).is_norm(K, element=True)
(False, None)
sage: (1/691).is_norm(QQ, element=True)
(True, 1/691)
```

The number field doesn't have to be defined by an integral polynomial:

```
sage: B, e = (1/5).is_norm(QuadraticField(5/4, 'a'), element=True)
sage: B
True
sage: e.norm()
1/5
```

A non-Galois number field:

```
sage: K.<a> = NumberField(x^3-2)
sage: B, e = (3/5).is_norm(K, element=True); B
True
sage: e.norm()
3/5

sage: 7.is_norm(K)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
```

`NotImplementedError`: `is_norm` is not implemented unconditionally for norms from non-Galois nu
sage: `7.is_norm(K, proof=False)`
 False

AUTHORS:

- Craig Citro (2008-04-05)
- Marco Streng (2010-12-03)

is_nth_power (*n*)

Returns True if self is an *n*-th power, else False.

INPUT:

- n* - integer (must fit in C int type)

Note: Use this function when you need to test if a rational number is an *n*-th power, but do not need to know the value of its *n*-th root. If the value is needed, use `nth_root()`.

AUTHORS:

- John Cremona (2009-04-04)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(25/4).is_nth_power(2)
True
sage: QQ(125/8).is_nth_power(3)
True
sage: QQ(-125/8).is_nth_power(3)
True
sage: QQ(25/4).is_nth_power(-2)
True

sage: QQ(9/2).is_nth_power(2)
False
sage: QQ(-25).is_nth_power(2)
False
```

is_one ()

Determine if a rational number is one.

OUTPUT: bool

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(1/2).is_one()
False
sage: QQ(4/4).is_one()
True
```

is_padic_square (*p*)

Determines whether this rational number is a square in \mathbf{Q}_p (or in R when *p* = infinity).

INPUT:

- p* - a prime number, or infinity

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(2).is_padic_square(7)
True
```

```
sage: QQ(98).is_padic_square(7)
True
sage: QQ(2).is_padic_square(5)
False
```

TESTS:

```
sage: QQ(5/7).is_padic_square(int(2))
False
```

is_perfect_power (*expected_value=False*)

Returns True if self is a perfect power.

INPUT:

- `expected_value` - (bool) whether or not this rational is expected be a perfect power. This does not affect the correctness of the output, only the runtime.

If `expected_value` is False (default) it will check the smallest of the numerator and denominator is a perfect power as a first step, which is often faster than checking if the quotient is a perfect power.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (4/9).is_perfect_power()
True
sage: (144/1).is_perfect_power()
True
sage: (4/3).is_perfect_power()
False
sage: (2/27).is_perfect_power()
False
sage: (4/27).is_perfect_power()
False
sage: (-1/25).is_perfect_power()
False
sage: (-1/27).is_perfect_power()
True
sage: (0/1).is_perfect_power()
True
```

The second parameter does not change the result, but may change the runtime.

```
sage: (-1/27).is_perfect_power(True)
True
sage: (-1/25).is_perfect_power(True)
False
sage: (2/27).is_perfect_power(True)
False
sage: (144/1).is_perfect_power(True)
True
```

This test makes sure we workaround a bug in GMP (see [trac ticket #4612](#)):

```
sage: [ -a for a in xrange(100) if not QQ(-a^3).is_perfect_power() ]
[]
sage: [ -a for a in xrange(100) if not QQ(-a^3).is_perfect_power(True) ]
[]
```

is_square ()

Return whether or not this rational number is a square.

OUTPUT: bool

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = 9/4
sage: x.is_square()
True
sage: x = (7/53)^100
sage: x.is_square()
True
sage: x = 4/3
sage: x.is_square()
False
sage: x = -1/4
sage: x.is_square()
False
```

list()

Return a list with the rational element in it, to be compatible with the method for number fields.

OUTPUT:

- list - the list [self]

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: m = 5/3
sage: m.list()
[5/3]
```

local_height (p , $prec=None$)

Returns the local height of this rational number at the prime p .

INPUT:

- p – a prime number
- $prec$ (int) – desired floating point precision (default: default RealField precision).

OUTPUT:

(real) The local height of this rational number at the prime p .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = QQ(25/6)
sage: a.local_height(2)
0.693147180559945
sage: a.local_height(3)
1.09861228866811
sage: a.local_height(5)
0.000000000000000
```

local_height_arch ($prec=None$)

Returns the Archimedean local height of this rational number at the infinite place.

INPUT:

- $prec$ (int) – desired floating point precision (default: default RealField precision).

OUTPUT:

(real) The local height of this rational number x at the unique infinite place of \mathbf{Q} , which is $\max(\log(|x|), 0)$.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = QQ(6/25)
sage: a.local_height_arch()
0.0000000000000000
sage: (1/a).local_height_arch()
1.42711635564015
sage: (1/a).local_height_arch(100)
1.4271163556401457483890413081
```

minpoly(var='x')

Return the minimal polynomial of this rational number. This will always be just $x - \text{self}$; this is really here so that code written for number fields won't crash when applied to rational numbers.

INPUT:

- var - a string

OUTPUT: Polynomial

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1/3).minpoly()
x - 1/3
sage: (1/3).minpoly('y')
y - 1/3
```

AUTHORS:

- Craig Citro

mod_ui(n)

Return the remainder upon division of `self` by the unsigned long integer `n`.

INPUT:

- n - an unsigned long integer

OUTPUT: integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-4/17).mod_ui(3)
1
sage: (-4/17).mod_ui(17)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: The inverse of 0 modulo 17 is not defined.
```

multiplicative_order()

Return the multiplicative order of `self`.

OUTPUT: Integer or infinity

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: QQ(1).multiplicative_order()
1
sage: QQ('1/-1').multiplicative_order()
2
sage: QQ(0).multiplicative_order()
+Infinity
sage: QQ('2/3').multiplicative_order()
+Infinity
```



```
sage: QQ('1/2').multiplicative_order()
+Infinity
```

norm()

Returns the norm from \mathbb{Q} to \mathbb{Q} of x (which is just x). This was added for compatibility with NumberFields.

OUTPUT:

- Rational - reference to self

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1/3).norm()
1/3
```

AUTHORS:

- Craig Citro

nth_root(n)

Computes the n -th root of `self`, or raises a `ValueError` if `self` is not a perfect n -th power.

INPUT:

- `n` - integer (must fit in C int type)

AUTHORS:

- David Harvey (2006-09-15)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (25/4).nth_root(2)
5/2
sage: (125/8).nth_root(3)
5/2
sage: (-125/8).nth_root(3)
-5/2
sage: (25/4).nth_root(-2)
2/5

sage: (9/2).nth_root(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: not a perfect 2nd power

sage: (-25/4).nth_root(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: cannot take even root of negative number
```

numer()

Return the numerator of this rational number.

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: x = -5/11
sage: x.numer()
-5
```

numerator()

Return the numerator of this rational number.

EXAMPLE:

```
sage: x = 5/11
sage: x.numerator()
5

sage: x = 9/3
sage: x.numerator()
3
```

ord(p)

Return the power of p in the factorization of self.

INPUT:

• p - a prime number

OUTPUT:

(integer or infinity) Infinity if self is zero, otherwise the (positive or negative) integer e such that $\text{self} = m * p^e$ with m coprime to p .

Note: See also `val_unit()` which returns the pair (e, m) . The function `ord()` is an alias for `valuation()`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = -5/9
sage: x.valuation(5)
1
sage: x.ord(5)
1
sage: x.valuation(3)
-2
sage: x.valuation(2)
0
```

Some edge cases:

```
sage: (0/1).valuation(4)
+Infinity
sage: (7/16).valuation(4)
-2
```

period()

Return the period of the repeating part of the decimal expansion of this rational number.

ALGORITHM:

When a rational number n/d with $(n, d) = 1$ is expanded, the period begins after s terms and has length t , where s and t are the smallest numbers satisfying $10^s = 10^{s+t} \pmod{d}$. In general if $d = 2^a 3^b m$ where m is coprime to 10, then $s = \max(a, b)$ and t is the order of 10 modulo d .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1/7).period()
6
sage: RR(1/7)
0.142857142857143
sage: (1/8).period()
1
sage: RR(1/8)
```

```

0.1250000000000000
sage: RR(1/6)
0.1666666666666667
sage: (1/6).period()
1
sage: x = 333/106
sage: x.period()
13
sage: RealField(200)(x)
3.1415094339622641509433962264150943396226415094339622641509

```

prime_to_S_part ($S=[]$)

Returns `self` with all powers of all primes in S removed.

INPUT:

- S - list or tuple of primes.

OUTPUT: rational

Note: Primality of the entries in S is not checked.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: QQ(3/4).prime_to_S_part()
3/4
sage: QQ(3/4).prime_to_S_part([2])
3
sage: QQ(-3/4).prime_to_S_part([3])
-1/4
sage: QQ(700/99).prime_to_S_part([2, 3, 5])
7/11
sage: QQ(-700/99).prime_to_S_part([2, 3, 5])
-7/11
sage: QQ(0).prime_to_S_part([2, 3, 5])
0
sage: QQ(-700/99).prime_to_S_part([])
-700/99

```

real ()

Returns the real part of `self`, which is `self`.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: (1/2).real()
1/2

```

relative_norm ()

Returns the norm from \mathbb{Q} to \mathbb{Q} of x (which is just x). This was added for compatibility with NumberFields

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: (6/5).relative_norm()
6/5

sage: QQ(7/5).relative_norm()
7/5

```

round ($mode='away'$)

Returns the nearest integer to `self`, rounding away from 0 by default, for consistency with the builtin

Python round.

INPUT:

- `self` - a rational number
- `mode` - a rounding mode for half integers:
 - ‘toward’ rounds toward zero
 - ‘away’ (default) rounds away from zero
 - ‘up’ rounds up
 - ‘down’ rounds down
 - ‘even’ rounds toward the even integer
 - ‘odd’ rounds toward the odd integer

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (9/2).round()
5
sage: n = 4/3; n.round()
1
sage: n = -17/4; n.round()
-4
sage: n = -5/2; n.round()
-3
sage: n.round("away")
-3
sage: n.round("up")
-2
sage: n.round("down")
-3
sage: n.round("even")
-2
sage: n.round("odd")
-3
```

sign()

Returns the sign of this rational number, which is -1, 0, or 1 depending on whether this number is negative, zero, or positive respectively.

OUTPUT: Integer

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (2/3).sign()
1
sage: (0/3).sign()
0
sage: (-1/6).sign()
-1
```

sqrt (*prec=None, extend=True, all=False*)

The square root function.

INPUT:

- `prec` – integer (default: `None`): if `None`, returns an exact square root; otherwise returns a numerical square root if necessary, to the given bits of precision.

- EXAMPLES:

AUTHORS:

- `squarefree_part()`

EXAMPLES:

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```
sage: b = a/a.squarefree_part()
sage: b, b.is_square()
(1/4, True)
sage: a = 24/5
sage: a.squarefree_part()
30
```

str(base=10)

Return a string representation of self in the given base.

INPUT:

- base – integer (default: 10); base must be between 2 and 36.

OUTPUT: string

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-4/17).str()
'-4/17'
sage: (-4/17).str(2)
'-100/10001'
```

Note that the base must be at most 36.

```
sage: (-4/17).str(40)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: base (=40) must be between 2 and 36
sage: (-4/17).str(1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: base (=1) must be between 2 and 36
```

support()

Return a sorted list of the primes where this rational number has non-zero valuation.

OUTPUT: The set of primes appearing in the factorization of this rational with nonzero exponent, as a sorted list.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-4/17).support()
[2, 17]
```

Trying to find the support of 0 gives an arithmetic error:

```
sage: (0/1).support()
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ArithmeticError: Support of 0 not defined.
```

trace()

Returns the trace from \mathbb{Q} to \mathbb{Q} of x (which is just x). This was added for compatibility with NumberFields.

OUTPUT:

- Rational - reference to self

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (1/3).trace()
1/3
```

AUTHORS:

- Craig Citro

trunc()

Round this rational number to the nearest integer toward zero.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (5/3).trunc()
1
sage: (-5/3).trunc()
-1
sage: QQ(42).trunc()
42
sage: QQ(-42).trunc()
-42
```

val_unit(p)

Returns a pair: the p -adic valuation of `self`, and the p -adic unit of `self`, as a [Rational](#).

We do not require the p be prime, but it must be at least 2. For more documentation see [Integer.val_unit\(\)](#).

INPUT:

- p - a prime

OUTPUT:

- int - the p -adic valuation of this rational
- Rational - p -adic unit part of `self`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: (-4/17).val_unit(2)
(2, -1/17)
sage: (-4/17).val_unit(17)
(-1, -4)
sage: (0/1).val_unit(17)
(+Infinity, 1)
```

AUTHORS:

- David Roe (2007-04-12)

valuation(p)

Return the power of p in the factorization of `self`.

INPUT:

- p - a prime number

OUTPUT:

(integer or infinity) Infinity if `self` is zero, otherwise the (positive or negative) integer e such that `self` = $m * p^e$ with m coprime to p .

Note: See also [val_unit\(\)](#) which returns the pair (e, m) . The function [ord\(\)](#) is an alias for [valuation\(\)](#).

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: x = -5/9
sage: x.valuation(5)
1
sage: x.ord(5)
1
sage: x.valuation(3)
-2
sage: x.valuation(2)
0
```

Some edge cases:

```
sage: (0/1).valuation(4)
+Infinity
sage: (7/16).valuation(4)
-2
```

class sage.rings.rational.**Z_to_Q**

Bases: sage.categories.morphism.Morphism

A morphism from **Z** to **Q**.**section()**

Return a section of this morphism.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: f = QQ.coerce_map_from(ZZ).section(); f
Generic map:
  From: Rational Field
  To:   Integer Ring
```

This map is a morphism in the category of sets with partial maps (see [trac ticket #15618](#)):

```
sage: f.parent()
Set of Morphisms from Rational Field to Integer Ring in Category of sets with partial maps
```

class sage.rings.rational.**int_to_Q**

Bases: sage.categories.morphism.Morphism

A morphism from **int** to **Q**.sage.rings.rational.**integer_rational_power**(*a*, *b*)Compute a^b as an integer, if it is integral, or return None. The positive real root is taken for even denominators.

INPUT:

- *a* – an Integer
- *b* – a positive Rational

OUTPUT:

 a^b as an Integer or None

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.rational import integer_rational_power
sage: integer_rational_power(49, 1/2)
7
sage: integer_rational_power(27, 1/3)
```



```

3
sage: integer_rational_power(-27, 1/3) is None
True
sage: integer_rational_power(-27, 2/3) is None
True
sage: integer_rational_power(512, 7/9)
128

sage: integer_rational_power(27, 1/4) is None
True
sage: integer_rational_power(-16, 1/4) is None
True

sage: integer_rational_power(0, 7/9)
0
sage: integer_rational_power(1, 7/9)
1
sage: integer_rational_power(-1, 7/9) is None
True
sage: integer_rational_power(-1, 8/9) is None
True
sage: integer_rational_power(-1, 9/8) is None
True

```

`sage.rings.rational.is_Rational(x)`

Return true if x is of the Sage rational number type.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.rings.rational import is_Rational
sage: is_Rational(2)
False
sage: is_Rational(2/1)
True
sage: is_Rational(int(2))
False
sage: is_Rational(long(2))
False
sage: is_Rational('5')
False

```

`sage.rings.rational.make_rational(s)`

Make a rational number from s (a string in base 32)

INPUT:

- s - string in base 32

OUTPUT: Rational

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: (-7/15).str(32)
'-7/f'
sage: sage.rings.rational.make_rational('-7/f')
-7/15

```

`sage.rings.rational.rational_power_parts(a, b, factor_limit=100000)`

Compute rationals or integers c and d such that $a^b = c * d^b$ with d small. This is used for simplifying radicals.

INPUT:

- `a` – a rational or integer
- `b` – a rational
- `factor_limit` – the limit used in factoring `a`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.rings.rational import rational_power_parts
sage: rational_power_parts(27, 1/2)
(3, 3)
sage: rational_power_parts(-128, 3/4)
(8, -8)
sage: rational_power_parts(-4, 1/2)
(2, -1)
sage: rational_power_parts(-4, 1/3)
(1, -4)
sage: rational_power_parts(9/1000, 1/2)
(3/10, 1/10)
```

TESTS:

Check if [trac ticket #8540](#) is fixed:

```
sage: rational_power_parts(3/4, -1/2)
(2, 3)
sage: t = (3/4)^(-1/2); t
2/3*sqrt(3)
sage: t^2
4/3
```

2.3 Finite simple continued fractions

Sage implements the field `ContinuedFractionField` (or `CFF` for short) of finite simple continued fractions. This is really isomorphic to the field \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers, but with different printing and semantics. It should be possible to use this field in most cases where one could use \mathbb{Q} , except arithmetic is *much* slower.

EXAMPLES:

We can create matrices, polynomials, vectors, etc., over the continued fraction field:

```
sage: a = random_matrix(CFF, 4)
sage: a
[ [-1; 2] [-1; 1, 94] [0; 2] [-12]]
[ [-1] [0; 2] [-1; 1, 3] [0; 1, 2]]
[ [-3; 2] [0] [0; 1, 2] [-1]]
[ [1] [-1] [0; 3] [1]]
sage: f = a.charpoly()
sage: f
[1]*x^4 + ([-2; 3])*x^3 + [14; 1, 1, 1, 9, 1, 8]*x^2 + ([-13; 4, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2])*x + [-6]
sage: f(a)
[[0] [0] [0] [0]]
[[0] [0] [0] [0]]
[[0] [0] [0] [0]]
[[0] [0] [0] [0]]
sage: vector(CFF, [1/2, 2/3, 3/4, 4/5])
([0; 2], [0; 1, 2], [0; 1, 3], [0; 1, 4])
```

AUTHORS:

- Niles Johnson (2010-08): `random_element()` should pass on `*args` and `**kwargs` ([trac ticket #3893](#)).

class `sage.rings.contfrac.ContinuedFractionField`

Bases: `sage.structure.unique_representation.UniqueRepresentation`,
`sage.rings.ring.Field`

The field of rational implemented as continued fraction.

The code here is deprecated since in all situations it is better to use `QQ`.

See also:

`continued_fraction()`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF
QQ as continued fractions
sage: CFF([0, 1, 3, 2])
[0; 1, 3, 2]
sage: CFF(133/25)
[5; 3, 8]

sage: CFF.category()
Category of fields
```

The continued fraction field inherits from the base class `sage.rings.ring.Field`. However it was initialised as such only since [trac ticket #11900](#):

```
sage: CFF.category()
Category of fields
```

class `Element` (*x1, x2=None*)

Bases: `sage.rings.continued_fraction.ContinuedFraction_periodic`,
`sage.structure.element.FieldElement`

A continued fraction of a rational number.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF(1/3)
[0; 3]
sage: CFF([1, 2, 3])
[1; 2, 3]
```

`ContinuedFractionField.an_element()`

Returns a continued fraction.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.an_element()
[-1; 2, 3]
```

`ContinuedFractionField.characteristic()`

Return 0, since the continued fraction field has characteristic 0.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: c = CFF.characteristic(); c
0
sage: parent(c)
Integer Ring
```

`ContinuedFractionField.is_exact()`

Return True.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.is_exact()
True
```

`ContinuedFractionField.is_field(proof=True)`

Return True.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.is_field()
True
```

`ContinuedFractionField.is_finite()`

Return False, since the continued fraction field is not finite.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.is_finite()
False
```

`ContinuedFractionField.order()`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.order()
+Infinity
```

`ContinuedFractionField.random_element(*args, **kws)`

Return a somewhat random continued fraction (the result is either finite or ultimately periodic).

INPUT:

- args, kws - arguments passed to `QQ.random_element`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.random_element() # random
[0; 4, 7]
```

`ContinuedFractionField.some_elements()`

Return some continued fractions.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: CFF.some_elements()
([0], [1], [1], [-1; 2], [3; 1, 2, 3])
```

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