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# **Sage Reference Manual: Monoids**

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Sage supports free monoids and free abelian monoids in any finite number of indeterminates.



## SEMIGROUPS DEFINED BY GENERATORS LIVING IN AN AMBIENT SEMIGROUP AND REPRESENTED BY AN AUTOMATON.

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```
class sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup.AutomaticMonoid(generators, ambient, one, mul,
                                                         category)
    Bases: sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup.AutomaticSemigroup
```

Initializes this semigroup.

TESTS:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(21)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family()), one=R.one()
sage: M.ambient() == R
True
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family())
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: AutomaticSemigroup requires at least one generator or 'one' to determine the ambient
```

**gens()**

Return the family of monoid generators of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(28)
sage: M = R.submonoid(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}))
sage: M.monoid_generators()
Finite family {1: 3, 2: 5}
```

Note that the monoid generators do not include the unit, unlike the semigroup generators:

```
sage: M.semigroup_generators()
Family (1, 3, 5)
```

**monoid\_generators()**

Return the family of monoid generators of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(28)
```

```
sage: M = R.submonoid(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}))
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```

Note that the monoid generators do not include the unit, unlike the semigroup generators:

```
sage: M.semigroup_generators()
Family (1, 3, 5)
```

**one()**

Return the unit of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(21)
sage: M = R.submonoid(())
sage: M.one()
1
sage: M.one().parent() is M
True
```

**semigroup\_generators()**

Return the generators of self as a semigroup.

The generators of a monoid  $M$  as a semigroup are the generators of  $M$  as a monoid and the unit.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: M = Monoids().free([1, 2, 3])
sage: M.semigroup_generators()
Family (1, F[1], F[2], F[3])
```

**class** sage.monoids.automatic\_semigroup.**AutomaticSemigroup**(*generators, ambient, one,*  
*mul, category*)

Bases: sage.structure.unique\_representation.UniqueRepresentation,  
sage.structure.parent.Parent

Semigroups defined by generators living in an ambient semigroup.

This implementation lazily constructs all the elements of the semigroup, and the right Cayley graph relations between them, and uses the latter as an automaton.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(12)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M in Monoids()
True
sage: M.one()
1
sage: M.one() in M
True
sage: g = M._generators; g
Finite family {1: 3, 2: 5}
sage: g[1]*g[2]
3
sage: M.some_elements()
[1, 3, 5, 9]
```



```
sage: M.list()
[1, 3, 5, 9]
```

```
sage: M.idempotents()
[1, 9]
```

As can be seen above, elements are represented by default the corresponding element in the ambient monoid. One can also represent the elements by their reduced word:

```
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: M.list()
[[], [1], [2], [1, 1]]
```

In case the reduced word has not yet been calculated, the element will be represented by the corresponding element in the ambient monoid:

```
sage: R = IntegerModRing(13)
sage: N = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: N.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: n = N.an_element()
sage: n
[1]
sage: n*n
9
```

Calling `construct()`, `cardinality()`, or `list()`, or iterating through the monoid will trigger its full construction and, as a side effect, compute all the reduced words. The order of the elements, and the induced choice of reduced word is currently length-lexicographic (i.e. the chosen reduced word is of minimal length, and then minimal lexicographically w.r.t. the order of the indices of the generators):

```
sage: M.cardinality()
4
sage: M.list()
[[], [1], [2], [1, 1]]
sage: g = M._generators

sage: g[1]*g[2]
[1]

sage: g[1].transition(1)
[1, 1]
sage: g[1] * g[1]
[1, 1]
sage: g[1] * g[1] * g[1]
[1]
sage: g[1].transition(2)
[1]
sage: g[1] * g[2]
[1]

sage: [ x.lift() for x in M.list() ]
[1, 3, 5, 9]
```

```
sage: G = M.cayley_graph(side = "twosided"); G
Looped multi-digraph on 4 vertices
sage: sorted(G.edges(), key=str)
[[[1, 1], [1, 1], (2, 'left')],
 [1, 1], [1, 1], (2, 'right')],
 [[1, 1], [1], (1, 'left')],
 [1, 1], [1], (1, 'right')],
 [[1], [1, 1], (1, 'left')],
 [1], [1, 1], (1, 'right')],
 [[1], [1], (2, 'left')],
 [1], [1], (2, 'right')],
 [[2], [1], (1, 'left')],
 [2], [1], (1, 'right')],
 [[2], [], (2, 'left')],
 [2], [], (2, 'right')],
 [[], [1], (1, 'left')],
 [], [1], (1, 'right')],
 [], [2], (2, 'left')],
 [], [2], (2, 'right')]]
sage: map(sorted, M.j_classes())
[[[], [2]], [[1, 1], [1]]]
sage: M.j_classes_of_idempotents()
[[[]], [[1, 1]]]
sage: M.j_transversal_of_idempotents()
[[1, 1]]

sage: map(attrcall('pseudo_order'), M.list())
[[1, 0], [3, 1], [2, 0], [2, 1]]
```

We can also use it to get submonoids from groups. We check that in the symmetric group, a transposition and a cycle generate the whole group:

```
sage: G5 = SymmetricGroup(5)
sage: N = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: G5([2,1,3,4,5]), 2: G5([2,3,4,5,1])}), one=G5.one())
sage: N.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: N.cardinality() == G5.cardinality()
True
sage: N.retract(G5((1,4,3,5,2)))
[1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2]
sage: N.from_reduced_word([1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2]).lift()
(1,4,3,5,2)
```

We can also create a semigroup of matrices, where we define the multiplication as matrix multiplication:

```
sage: M1=matrix([[0,0,1],[1,0,0],[0,1,0]])
sage: M2=matrix([[0,0,0],[1,1,0],[0,0,1]])
sage: M1.set_immutable()
sage: M2.set_immutable()
sage: def prod_m(x,y):
....:     z=x*y
....:     z.set_immutable()
....:     return z
....:
sage: Mon = AutomaticSemigroup([M1,M2], mul=prod_m, category=Monoids().Finite().Subobjects())
sage: Mon.cardinality()
24
```

```
sage: C = Mon.cayley_graph()
sage: C.is_directed_acyclic()
False
```

Let us construct and play with the 0-Hecke Monoid::

```
sage: W = WeylGroup(['A', 4]); W.rename("W")
sage: ambient_monoid = FiniteSetMaps(W, action="right")
sage: pi = W.simple_projections(length_increasing=True).map(ambient_monoid)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(pi, one=ambient_monoid.one()); M
A submonoid of (Maps from W to itself) with 4 generators
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: sorted(M._elements_set, key=str)
[[1], [2], [3], [4], []]
sage: M.construct(n=10)
sage: sorted(M._elements_set, key=str)
[[1, 2], [1, 3], [1, 4], [1], [2, 1], [2, 3], [2], [3], [4], []]
sage: elt = M.from_reduced_word([3, 1, 2, 4, 2])
sage: M.construct(up_to=elt)
sage: len(M._elements_set)
36
sage: M.cardinality()
120
```

We check that the 0-Hecke monoid is 'J'-trivial and contains  $2^4$  idempotents::

```
sage: len(M.idempotents())
16
sage: all([len(j) == 1 for j in M.j_classes()])
True
```

TESTS::

```
sage: (g[1]).__hash__() == (g[1]*g[1]*g[1]).__hash__()
True
sage: g[1] == g[1]*g[1]*g[1]
True
sage: M.__class__
<class 'sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup.AutomaticMonoid_with_category'>
sage: TestSuite(M).run()
```

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(34)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(7)}), one=R.one())
sage: M[3] in M
True
```

We need to pass in the ambient monoid to `__init__` to guarantee `:class:'UniqueRepresentation'` works properly::

```
sage: R1 = IntegerModRing(12)
sage: R2 = IntegerModRing(16)
sage: M1 = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R1(3), 2: R1(5)}), one=R1.one())
sage: M2 = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R2(3), 2: R2(5)}), one=R2.one())
sage: M1 is M2
False
```

.. NOTE::

Unlike what the name of the class may suggest, this currently implements only a subclass of automatic semigroups; essentially the finite ones. See :wikipedia:'Automatic\_semigroup'.

.. WARNING::

:class:'AutomaticSemigroup' is designed primarily for finite semigroups. This property is not checked automatically (this would be too costly, if not undecidable). Use with care for an infinite semigroup, as certain features may require constructing all of it::

```
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup([2], category = Monoids().Subobjects()); M
A submonoid of (Integer Ring) with 1 generators
sage: M.retract(2)
2
sage: M.retract(3)    # not tested: runs forever trying to find 3
```

**class Element** (*ambient\_element, parent*)

Bases: sage.structure.element\_wrapper.ElementWrapper

TESTS:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(21)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family([2]))
sage: m = M(2); m
2
sage: type(m)
<class 'sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup.AutomaticSemigroup_with_category.element_class'>
```

**lift()**

Lift the element self into its ambient semigroup.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(18)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}))
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: m = M.an_element(); m
[1]
sage: type(m)
<class 'sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup.AutomaticSemigroup_with_category.element_class'>
sage: m.lift()
3
sage: type(m.lift())
<type 'sage.rings.finite_rings.integer_mod.IntegerMod_int'>
```

**reduced\_word()**

Return the length-lexicographic shortest word of self.

OUTPUT: a list of indexes of the generators

Obtaining the reduced word requires having constructed the Cayley graph of the semigroup up to self. If this is not the case, an error is raised.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(15)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.construct()
sage: for m in M: print m, m.reduced_word()
1  []
3  [1]
5  [2]
9  [1, 1]
0  [1, 2]
10 [2, 2]
12 [1, 1, 1]
6  [1, 1, 1, 1]

```

**transition(*i*)**

The multiplication on the right by a generator.

INPUT:

- *i* – an element from the indexing set of the generators

This method computes `self * self._generators[i]`.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(17)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: M.construct()
sage: a = M.an_element()
sage: a.transition(1)
[1, 1]
sage: a.transition(2)
[1, 2]

```

**AutomaticSemigroup.ambient()**

Return the ambient semigroup of `self`.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(12)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.ambient()
Ring of integers modulo 12

sage: M1=matrix([[0,0,1],[1,0,0],[0,1,0]])
sage: M2=matrix([[0,0,0],[1,1,0],[0,0,1]])
sage: M1.set_immutable()
sage: M2.set_immutable()
sage: def prod_m(x,y):
....:     z=x*y
....:     z.set_immutable()
....:     return z
....:
sage: Mon = AutomaticSemigroup([M1,M2], mul=prod_m)
sage: Mon.ambient()
Full MatrixSpace of 3 by 3 dense matrices over Integer Ring

```

**AutomaticSemigroup.an\_element()**

Return the first given generator of `self`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(16)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.an_element()
3
```

`AutomaticSemigroup.cardinality()`

Return the cardinality of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(12)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.cardinality()
4
```

TESTS:

```
sage: assert isinstance(M.cardinality(), Integer) # This did fail at some point
```

`AutomaticSemigroup.construct(up_to=None, n=None)`

Construct the elements of the self.

INPUT:

- `up_to` – an element of self or of the ambient semigroup.
- `n` – an integer or None (default: None)

This construct all the elements of this semigroup, their reduced words, and the right Cayley graph. If `n` is specified, only the `n` first elements of the semigroup are constructed. If `element` is specified, only the elements up to `ambient_element` are constructed.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: W = WeylGroup(['A', 3]); W.rename("W")
sage: ambient_monoid = FiniteSetMaps(W, action="right")
sage: pi = W.simple_projections(length_increasing=True).map(ambient_monoid)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(pi, one=ambient_monoid.one()); M
A submonoid of (Maps from W to itself) with 3 generators
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: sorted(M._elements_set, key=str)
[[1], [2], [3], []]
sage: elt = M.from_reduced_word([2, 3, 1, 2])
sage: M.construct(up_to=elt)
sage: len(M._elements_set)
19
sage: M.cardinality()
24
```

`AutomaticSemigroup.from_reduced_word(l)`

Return the element of self obtained from the reduced word `l`.

INPUT:

- `l` – a list of indices of the generators

---

**Note:** We do not save the given reduced word `l` as an attribute of the element, as some elements above in the branches may have not been explored by the iterator yet.

## EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: G4 = SymmetricGroup(4)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1:G4((1,2)), 2:G4((1,2,3,4))}), one=G4.one())
sage: M.from_reduced_word([2, 1, 2, 2, 1]).lift()
(1,3)
sage: M.from_reduced_word([2, 1, 2, 2, 1]) == M.retract(G4((3,1)))
True

```

`AutomaticSemigroup.gens()`

Return the family of generators of self.

## EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(28)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}))
sage: M.semigroup_generators()
Finite family {1: 3, 2: 5}

```

`AutomaticSemigroup.lift(x)`

Lift an element of self into its ambient space.

## EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(15)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: a = M.an_element()
sage: a.lift() in R
True
sage: a.lift()
3
sage: [m.lift() for m in M]
[1, 3, 5, 9, 0, 10, 12, 6]

```

`AutomaticSemigroup.list()`

Return the list of elements of self.

## EXAMPLES:

```

sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(12)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: M.list()
[[], [1], [2], [1, 1]]

```

## TESTS:

```

sage: assert isinstance(M.cardinality(), Integer) # This did fail at some point

```

`AutomaticSemigroup.product(x,y)`

Return the product of two elements in self. It is done by retracting the multiplication in the ambient semigroup.

## EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(12)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: a = M[1]
sage: b = M[2]
sage: a*b
[1]
```

`AutomaticSemigroup.repr_element_method(style='ambient')`

Sets the representation of the elements of the monoid.

INPUT:

- `style` – “ambient” or “reduced\_word”

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(17)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}), one=R.one())
sage: M.list()
[1, 3, 5, 9, 15, 8, 10, 11, 7, 6, 13, 16, 4, 14, 12, 2]
sage: M.repr_element_method("reduced_word")
sage: M.list()
[[], [1], [2], [1, 1], [1, 2], [2, 2], [1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 2], [1, 2, 2],
 [2, 2, 2], [1, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 2], [1, 1, 2, 2], [1, 1, 1, 1, 2],
 [1, 1, 1, 2, 2], [1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2]]
```

`AutomaticSemigroup.retract(ambient_element, check=True)`

Retract an element of the ambient semigroup into self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: S5 = SymmetricGroup(5); S5.rename("S5")
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1:S5((1,2)), 2:S5((1,2,3,4))}), one=S5.one())
sage: m = M.retract(S5((3,1))); m
(1,3)
sage: m.parent() is M
True
sage: M.retract(S5((4,5)), check=False)
(4,5)
sage: M.retract(S5((4,5)))
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: (4,5) not in A subgroup of (S5) with 2 generators
```

TESTS:

```
sage: len(M._retract.get_cache().keys())
24
```

`AutomaticSemigroup.semigroup_generators()`

Return the family of generators of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.automatic_semigroup import AutomaticSemigroup
sage: R = IntegerModRing(28)
sage: M = AutomaticSemigroup(Family({1: R(3), 2: R(5)}))
```



```
sage: M.semigroup_generators()  
Finite family {1: 3, 2: 5}
```



## MONOIDS

```
class sage.monoids.monoid.Monoid_class(names)
```

```
    Bases: sage.structure.parent.Parent
```

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.monoid import Monoid_class
sage: Monoid_class(('a','b'))
<class 'sage.monoids.monoid.Monoid_class_with_category'>
```

TESTS:

```
sage: F.<a,b,c,d,e> = FreeMonoid(5)
sage: TestSuite(F).run()
```

**gens()**

Returns the generators for self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F.<a,b,c,d,e> = FreeMonoid(5)
sage: F.gens()
(a, b, c, d, e)
```

```
sage.monoids.monoid.is_Monoid(x)
```

Returns True if x is of type Monoid\_class.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.monoid import is_Monoid
sage: is_Monoid(0)
False
sage: is_Monoid(ZZ)    # The technical math meaning of monoid has
...                   # no bearing whatsoever on the result: it's
...                   # a typecheck which is not satisfied by ZZ
...                   # since it does not inherit from Monoid_class.
False
sage: is_Monoid(sage.monoids.monoid.Monoid_class(('a','b')))
True
sage: F.<a,b,c,d,e> = FreeMonoid(5)
sage: is_Monoid(F)
True
```



## FREE MONOIDS

### AUTHORS:

- David Kohel (2005-09)
- Simon King (2011-04): Put free monoids into the category framework

Sage supports free monoids on any prescribed finite number  $n \geq 0$  of generators. Use the `FreeMonoid` function to create a free monoid, and the `gen` and `gens` functions to obtain the corresponding generators. You can print the generators as arbitrary strings using the optional `names` argument to the `FreeMonoid` function.

```
sage.monoids.free_monoid.FreeMonoid(index_set=None, names=None, commutative=False,  
                                     **kws)
```

Return a free monoid on  $n$  generators or with the generators indexed by a set  $I$ .

We construct free monoids by specifying either:

- the number of generators and/or the names of the generators
- the indexing set for the generators

### INPUT:

- `index_set` – an indexing set for the generators; if an integer, then this becomes  $\{0, 1, \dots, n - 1\}$
- `names` – names of generators
- `commutative` – (default: `False`) whether the free monoid is commutative or not

### OUTPUT:

A free monoid.

### EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F.<a,b,c,d,e> = FreeMonoid(); F  
Free monoid on 5 generators (a, b, c, d, e)  
sage: FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)  
Free monoid indexed by Integer Ring  
  
sage: F.<x,y,z> = FreeMonoid(abelian=True); F  
Free abelian monoid on 3 generators (x, y, z)  
sage: FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ, commutative=True)  
Free abelian monoid indexed by Integer Ring
```

```
class sage.monoids.free_monoid.FreeMonoidFactory  
Bases: sage.structure.factory.UniqueFactory
```

Create the free monoid in  $n$  generators.

### INPUT:

- `n` - integer
- `names` - names of generators

OUTPUT: free monoid

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: FreeMonoid(0, '')
Free monoid on 0 generators ()
sage: F.<a,b,c,d,e> = FreeMonoid(5); F
Free monoid on 5 generators (a, b, c, d, e)
sage: F(1)
1
sage: mul([ a, b, a, c, b, d, c, d ], F(1))
a*b*a*c*b*d*c*d
```

**create\_key** (*n, names*)

**create\_object** (*version, key, \*\*kws*)

**class** `sage.monoids.free_monoid.FreeMonoid_class` (*n, names=None*)

Bases: `sage.monoids.monoid.Monoid_class`

The free monoid on *n* generators.

**Element**

alias of `FreeMonoidElement`

**cardinality** ()

Return the cardinality of `self`, which is  $\infty$ .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(2005, 'a')
sage: F.cardinality()
+Infinity
```

**gen** (*i=0*)

The *i*-th generator of the monoid.

INPUT:

- *i* - integer (default: 0)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(3, 'a')
sage: F.gen(1)
a1
sage: F.gen(2)
a2
sage: F.gen(5)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
IndexError: Argument i (= 5) must be between 0 and 2.
```

**ngens** ()

The number of free generators of the monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(2005, 'a')
sage: F.ngens()
2005
```

```
sage.monoids.free_monoid.is_FreeMonoid(x)
```

Return True if  $x$  is a free monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.free_monoid import is_FreeMonoid
```

```
sage: is_FreeMonoid(5)
```

```
False
```

```
sage: is_FreeMonoid(FreeMonoid(7, 'a'))
```

```
True
```

```
sage: is_FreeMonoid(FreeAbelianMonoid(7, 'a'))
```

```
False
```

```
sage: is_FreeMonoid(FreeAbelianMonoid(0, ''))
```

```
False
```

```
sage: is_FreeMonoid(FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ))
```

```
True
```

```
sage: is_FreeMonoid(FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ))
```

```
False
```





## MONOID ELEMENTS

AUTHORS:

- David Kohel (2005-09-29)

Elements of free monoids are represented internally as lists of pairs of integers.

```
class sage.monoids.free_monoid_element.FreeMonoidElement (F, x, check=True)
    Bases: sage.structure.element.MonoidElement
```

Element of a free monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: a = FreeMonoid(5, 'a').gens()
sage: x = a[0]*a[1]*a[4]**3
sage: x**3
a0*a1*a4^3*a0*a1*a4^3*a0*a1*a4^3
sage: x**0
1
sage: x**(-1)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
TypeError: bad operand type for unary ~: 'FreeMonoid_class_with_category.element_class'
```

```
to_list (indices=False)
```

Return self as a list of generators.

If self equals  $x_{i_1}x_{i_2}\cdots x_{i_n}$ , with  $x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_n}$  being some of the generators of the free monoid, then this method returns the list  $[x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_n}]$ .

If the optional argument indices is set to True, then the list  $[i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n]$  is returned instead.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: M.<x,y,z> = FreeMonoid(3)
sage: a = x * x * y * x
sage: w = a.to_list(); w
[x, x, y, x]
sage: M.prod(w) == a
True
sage: w = a.to_list(indices=True); w
[0, 0, 1, 0]
sage: a = M.one()
sage: a.to_list()
[]
```

See also:

```
to_word()
```

**to\_word**(*alph=None*)

Return self as a word.

INPUT:

- alph* – (optional) the alphabet which the result should be specified in

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: M.<x,y,z> = FreeMonoid(3)
```

```
sage: a = x * x * y * x
```

```
sage: w = a.to_word(); w
```

```
word: xxyx
```

```
sage: w.to_monoid_element() == a
```

```
True
```

**See also:**

```
to_list()
```

```
sage.monoids.free_monoid_element.is_FreeMonoidElement(x)
```

## FREE ABELIAN MONOIDS

## AUTHORS:

- David Kohel (2005-09)

Sage supports free abelian monoids on any prescribed finite number  $n \geq 0$  of generators. Use the `FreeAbelianMonoid` function to create a free abelian monoid, and the `gen` and `gens` functions to obtain the corresponding generators. You can print the generators as arbitrary strings using the optional `names` argument to the `FreeAbelianMonoid` function.

EXAMPLE 1: It is possible to create an abelian monoid in zero or more variables; the syntax `T(1)` creates the monoid identity element even in the rank zero case.

```
sage: T = FreeAbelianMonoid(0, '')
sage: T
Free abelian monoid on 0 generators ()
sage: T.gens()
()
sage: T(1)
1
```

EXAMPLE 2: A free abelian monoid uses a multiplicative representation of elements, but the underlying representation is lists of integer exponents.

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, names='a,b,c,d,e')
sage: (a,b,c,d,e) = F.gens()
sage: a*b^2*e*d
a*b^2*d*e
sage: x = b^2*e*d*a^7
sage: x
a^7*b^2*d*e
sage: x.list()
[7, 2, 0, 1, 1]
```

```
sage.monoids.free_abelian_monoid.FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=None, names=None,
**kws)
```

Return a free abelian monoid on  $n$  generators or with the generators indexed by a set  $I$ .

We construct free abelian monoids by specifying either:

- the number of generators and/or the names of the generators
- the indexing set for the generators (this ignores the other two inputs)

## INPUT:

- `index_set` – an indexing set for the generators; if an integer, then this becomes  $\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$
- `names` – names of generators

OUTPUT:

A free abelian monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F.<a,b,c,d,e> = FreeAbelianMonoid(); F
Free abelian monoid on 5 generators (a, b, c, d, e)
sage: FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
Free abelian monoid indexed by Integer Ring
```

**class** sage.monoids.free\_abelian\_monoid.**FreeAbelianMonoidFactory**

Bases: sage.structure.factory.UniqueFactory

Create the free abelian monoid in  $n$  generators.

INPUT:

- $n$  - integer
- names - names of generators

OUTPUT: free abelian monoid

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: FreeAbelianMonoid(0, '')
Free abelian monoid on 0 generators ()
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, names = list("abcde"))
sage: F
Free abelian monoid on 5 generators (a, b, c, d, e)
sage: F(1)
1
sage: (a, b, c, d, e) = F.gens()
sage: mul([ a, b, a, c, b, d, c, d ], F(1))
a^2*b^2*c^2*d^2
sage: a**2 * b**3 * a**2 * b**4
a^4*b^7

sage: loads(dumps(F)) is F
True
```

**create\_key** ( $n, names$ )

**create\_object** ( $version, key$ )

**class** sage.monoids.free\_abelian\_monoid.**FreeAbelianMonoid\_class** ( $n, names$ )

Bases: sage.structure.parent\_gens.ParentWithGens

Free abelian monoid on  $n$  generators.

**Element**

alias of FreeAbelianMonoidElement

**cardinality** ()

Return the cardinality of self, which is  $\infty$ .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(3000, 'a')
sage: F.cardinality()
+Infinity
```

**gen** ( $i=0$ )

The  $i$ -th generator of the abelian monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, 'a')
sage: F.gen(0)
a0
sage: F.gen(2)
a2
```

**ngens()**

The number of free generators of the abelian monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(3000, 'a')
sage: F.ngens()
3000
```

`sage.monoids.free_abelian_monoid.is_FreeAbelianMonoid(x)`

Return True if  $x$  is a free abelian monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.free_abelian_monoid import is_FreeAbelianMonoid
sage: is_FreeAbelianMonoid(5)
False
sage: is_FreeAbelianMonoid(FreeAbelianMonoid(7, 'a'))
True
sage: is_FreeAbelianMonoid(FreeMonoid(7, 'a'))
False
sage: is_FreeAbelianMonoid(FreeMonoid(0, ''))
False
```



## ABELIAN MONOID ELEMENTS

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- David Kohel (2005-09)

EXAMPLES:

Recall the example from abelian monoids.

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, names = list("abcde"))
sage: (a, b, c, d, e) = F.gens()
sage: a*b^2*e*d
a*b^2*d*e
sage: x = b^2*e*d*a^7
sage: x
a^7*b^2*d*e
sage: x.list()
[7, 2, 0, 1, 1]
```

It is important to note that lists are mutable and the returned list is not a copy. As a result, reassignment of an element of the list changes the object.

```
sage: x.list()[0] = 0
sage: x
b^2*d*e
```

```
class sage.monoids.free_abelian_monoid_element.FreeAbelianMonoidElement(F, x)
    Bases: sage.structure.element.MonoidElement
```

Create the element  $x$  of the FreeAbelianMonoid  $F$ .

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, 'abcde')
sage: F
Free abelian monoid on 5 generators (a, b, c, d, e)
sage: F(1)
1
sage: a, b, c, d, e = F.gens()
sage: a^2 * b^3 * a^2 * b^4
a^4*b^7
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, 'abcde')
sage: a, b, c, d, e = F.gens()
sage: a in F
True
sage: a*b in F
True
```

**list()**

Return (a reference to) the underlying list used to represent this element. If this is a monoid in an abelian monoid on  $n$  generators, then this is a list of nonnegative integers of length  $n$ .

**EXAMPLES:**

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(5, 'abcde')
```

```
sage: (a, b, c, d, e) = F.gens()
```

```
sage: a.list()
[1, 0, 0, 0, 0]
```

```
sage.monoids.free_abelian_monoid_element.is_FreeAbelianMonoidElement(x)
```

Queries whether  $x$  is an object of type `FreeAbelianMonoidElement`.

**INPUT:**

- $x$  – an object.

**OUTPUT:**

- True if  $x$  is an object of type `FreeAbelianMonoidElement`; False otherwise.



## HECKE MONOIDS

`sage.monoids.hecke_monoid.HeckeMonoid(W)`

Return the 0-Hecke monoid of the Coxeter group  $W$ .

INPUT:

- $W$  – a finite Coxeter group

Let  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  be the simple reflections of  $W$ . The 0-Hecke monoid is the monoid generated by projections  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_n$  satisfying the same braid and commutation relations as the  $s_i$ . It is of same cardinality as  $W$ .

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**Note:** This is currently a very basic implementation as the submonoid of sorting maps on  $W$  generated by the simple projections of  $W$ . It's only functional for  $W$  finite.

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See also:

- `CoxeterGroups`
- `CoxeterGroups.ParentMethods.simple_projections`
- `IwahoriHeckeAlgebra`

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: from sage.monoids.hecke_monoid import HeckeMonoid
sage: W = SymmetricGroup(4)
sage: H = HeckeMonoid(W); H
0-Hecke monoid of the Symmetric group of order 4! as a permutation group
sage: pi = H.monoid_generators(); pi
Finite family {1: ..., 2: ..., 3: ...}
sage: all(pi[i]^2 == pi[i] for i in pi.keys())
True
sage: pi[1] * pi[2] * pi[1] == pi[2] * pi[1] * pi[2]
True
sage: pi[2] * pi[3] * pi[2] == pi[3] * pi[2] * pi[3]
True
sage: pi[1] * pi[3] == pi[3] * pi[1]
True
sage: H.cardinality()
24
```



## INDEXED MONOIDS

AUTHORS:

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```
class sage.monoids.indexed_free_monoid.IndexedFreeAbelianMonoid(indices, prefix,
                                                                category=None,
                                                                names=None,
                                                                **kws)
```

Bases: `sage.monoids.indexed_free_monoid.IndexedMonoid`

Free abelian monoid with an indexed set of generators.

INPUT:

- `indices` – the indices for the generators

For the optional arguments that control the printing, see `IndexedGenerators`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.gen(15)^3 * F.gen(2) * F.gen(15)
F[2]*F[15]^4
sage: F.gen(1)
F[1]
```

Now we examine some of the printing options:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=Partitions(), prefix='A', bracket=False, scalar_mult='%')
sage: F.gen([3,1,1]) * F.gen([2,2])
A[2, 2]%A[3, 1, 1]
```

**Element**

alias of `IndexedFreeAbelianMonoidElement`

**gen**(*x*)

The generator indexed by *x* of `self`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.gen(0)
F[0]
sage: F.gen(2)
F[2]
```

**one**()

Return the identity element of `self`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.one()
1
```

**class** sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.**IndexedFreeAbelianMonoidElement** (*F, x*)

Bases: sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.IndexedMonoidElement

An element of an indexed free abelian monoid.

**dict** ()

Return self as a dictionary.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (a*c^3).dict()
{0: 1, 2: 3}
```

**length** ()

Return the length of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: elt = a*c^3*b^2*a
sage: elt.length()
7
sage: len(elt)
7
```

**class** sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.**IndexedFreeMonoid** (*indices, prefix, category=None, names=None, \*\*kwds*)

Bases: sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.IndexedMonoid

Free monoid with an indexed set of generators.

INPUT:

- *indices* – the indices for the generators

For the optional arguments that control the printing, see `IndexedGenerators`.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.gen(15)^3 * F.gen(2) * F.gen(15)
F[15]^3*F[2]*F[15]
sage: F.gen(1)
F[1]
```

Now we examine some of the printing options:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ, prefix='X', bracket=['|', '>'])
sage: F.gen(2) * F.gen(12)
X|2>*X|12>
```

**Element**

alias of `IndexedFreeMonoidElement`

**gen**(*x*)The generator indexed by *x* of *self*.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.gen(0)
F[0]
sage: F.gen(2)
F[2]

```

**one**()Return the identity element of *self*.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.one()
1

```

**class** sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.**IndexedFreeMonoidElement**(*F*, *x*)

Bases: sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.IndexedMonoidElement

An element of an indexed free abelian monoid.

**length**()Return the length of *self*.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: elt = a*c^3*b^2*a
sage: elt.length()
7
sage: len(elt)
7

```

**class** sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.**IndexedMonoid**(*indices*, *prefix*, *category=None*,  
*names=None*, \*\**kws*)Bases: sage.structure.parent.Parent, sage.structure.indexed\_generators.IndexedGenerators,  
sage.structure.unique\_representation.UniqueRepresentation

Base class for monoids with an indexed set of generators.

INPUT:

- *indices* – the indices for the generators

For the optional arguments that control the printing, see IndexedGenerators.

**cardinality**()Return the cardinality of *self*, which is  $\infty$  unless this is the trivial monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```

sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.cardinality()
+Infinity
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=())
sage: F.cardinality()
1

sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)

```

```
sage: F.cardinality()
+Infinity
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=())
sage: F.cardinality()
1
```

**gens()**

Return the monoid generators of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.monoid_generators()
Lazy family (Generator map from Integer Ring to
Free abelian monoid indexed by Integer Ring(i))_{i in Integer Ring}
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=tuple('abcde'))
sage: sorted(F.monoid_generators())
[F['a'], F['b'], F['c'], F['d'], F['e']]
```

**monoid\_generators()**

Return the monoid generators of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: F.monoid_generators()
Lazy family (Generator map from Integer Ring to
Free abelian monoid indexed by Integer Ring(i))_{i in Integer Ring}
sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=tuple('abcde'))
sage: sorted(F.monoid_generators())
[F['a'], F['b'], F['c'], F['d'], F['e']]
```

**class** sage.monoids.indexed\_free\_monoid.**IndexedMonoidElement** (*F, x*)

Bases: sage.structure.element.MonoidElement

An element of an indexed monoid.

This is an abstract class which uses the (abstract) method `_sorted_items()` for all of its functions. So to implement an element of an indexed monoid, one just needs to implement `_sorted_items()`, which returns a list of pairs  $(i, p)$  where  $i$  is the index and  $p$  is the corresponding power, sorted in some order. For example, in the free monoid there is no such choice, but for the free abelian monoid, one could want lex order or have the highest powers first.

Indexed monoid elements are ordered lexicographically with respect to the result of `_sorted_items()` (which for abelian free monoids is influenced by the order on the indexing set).

**leading\_support()**

Return the support of the leading generator of self.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*a*c^3*a).leading_support()
1

sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*c^3*a).leading_support()
0
```

**support()**

Return a list of the objects indexing `self` with non-zero exponents.

## EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*a*c^3*b).support()
[0, 1, 2]

sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (a*c^3).support()
[0, 2]
```

**to\_word\_list()**

Return `self` as a word represented as a list whose entries are indices of `self`.

## EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*a*c^3*a).to_word_list()
[1, 0, 2, 2, 2, 0]

sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*c^3*a).to_word_list()
[0, 1, 2, 2, 2]
```

**trailing\_support()**

Return the support of the trailing generator of `self`.

## EXAMPLES:

```
sage: F = FreeMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*a*c^3*a).trailing_support()
0

sage: F = FreeAbelianMonoid(index_set=ZZ)
sage: a,b,c,d,e = [F.gen(i) for i in range(5)]
sage: (b*c^3*a).trailing_support()
2
```





## STRING MONOID ELEMENTS

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Elements of free string monoids, internal representation subject to change.

These are special classes of free monoid elements with distinct printing.

The internal representation of elements does not use the exponential compression of FreeMonoid elements (a feature), and could be packed into words.

**class** sage.monoids.string\_monoid\_element.**StringMonoidElement**(*S, x, check=True*)  
 Bases: sage.monoids.free\_monoid\_element.FreeMonoidElement

Element of a free string monoid.

**character\_count**()

Return the count of each unique character.

EXAMPLES:

Count the character frequency in an object comprised of capital letters of the English alphabet:

```
sage: M = AlphabeticStrings().encoding("abcbaf")
sage: sorted(M.character_count().items())
[(A, 2), (B, 2), (C, 1), (F, 1)]
```

In an object comprised of binary numbers:

```
sage: M = BinaryStrings().encoding("abcbaf")
sage: sorted(M.character_count().items())
[(0, 28), (1, 20)]
```

In an object comprised of octal numbers:

```
sage: A = OctalStrings()
sage: M = A([1, 2, 3, 2, 5, 3])
sage: sorted(M.character_count().items())
[(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 2), (5, 1)]
```

In an object comprised of hexadecimal numbers:

```
sage: A = HexadecimalStrings()
sage: M = A([1, 2, 4, 6, 2, 4, 15])
sage: sorted(M.character_count().items())
[(1, 1), (2, 2), (4, 2), (6, 1), (f, 1)]
```

In an object comprised of radix-64 characters:

```
sage: A = Radix64Strings()
sage: M = A([1, 2, 63, 45, 45, 10]); M
BC/ttK
sage: sorted(M.character_count().items())
[(B, 1), (C, 1), (K, 1), (t, 2), (/ , 1)]
```

**TESTS:**

Empty strings return no counts of character frequency:

```
sage: M = AlphabeticStrings().encoding("")
sage: M.character_count()
{}
sage: M = BinaryStrings().encoding("")
sage: M.character_count()
{}
sage: A = OctalStrings()
sage: M = A([])
sage: M.character_count()
{}
sage: A = HexadecimalStrings()
sage: M = A([])
sage: M.character_count()
{}
sage: A = Radix64Strings()
sage: M = A([])
sage: M.character_count()
{}
```

**coincidence\_index** (*prec=0*)

Returns the probability of two randomly chosen characters being equal.

**decoding** (*padic=False*)

The byte string associated to a binary or hexadecimal string monoid element.

**EXAMPLES:**

```
sage: S = HexadecimalStrings()
sage: s = S.encoding("A..Za..z"); s
412e2e5a612e2e7a
sage: s.decoding()
'A..Za..z'
sage: s = S.encoding("A..Za..z", padic=True); s
14e2e2a516e2e2a7
sage: s.decoding()
'\x14\xe2\xe2\xa5\x16\xe2\xe2\xa7'
sage: s.decoding(padic=True)
'A..Za..z'
sage: S = BinaryStrings()
sage: s = S.encoding("A..Za..z"); s
0100000100101110001011100101101001100001001011100010111001111010
sage: s.decoding()
'A..Za..z'
sage: s = S.encoding("A..Za..z", padic=True); s
10000001001110100011101000101101010000110011101000111010001011110
sage: s.decoding()
'\x82ttZ\x86tt^'
sage: s.decoding(padic=True)
'A..Za..z'
```

**frequency\_distribution** (*length=1, prec=0*)

Returns the probability space of character frequencies. The output of this method is different from that of the method `characteristic_frequency()`. One can think of the characteristic frequency probability of an element in an alphabet  $A$  as the expected probability of that element occurring. Let  $S$  be a string encoded using elements of  $A$ . The frequency probability distribution corresponding to  $S$  provides us with the frequency probability of each element of  $A$  as observed occurring in  $S$ . Thus one distribution provides expected probabilities, while the other provides observed probabilities.

INPUT:

- `length` – (default 1) if `length=1` then consider the probability space of monogram frequency, i.e. probability distribution of single characters. If `length=2` then consider the probability space of digram frequency, i.e. probability distribution of pairs of characters. This method currently supports the generation of probability spaces for monogram frequency (`length=1`) and digram frequency (`length=2`).
- `prec` – (default 0) a non-negative integer representing the precision (in number of bits) of a floating-point number. The default value `prec=0` means that we use 53 bits to represent the mantissa of a floating-point number. For more information on the precision of floating-point numbers, see the function `RealField()` or refer to the module `real_mpr`.

EXAMPLES:

Capital letters of the English alphabet:

```
sage: M = AlphabeticStrings().encoding("abcd")
sage: L = M.frequency_distribution().function()
sage: sorted(L.items())
```

```
[(A, 0.2500000000000000),
 (B, 0.2500000000000000),
 (C, 0.2500000000000000),
 (D, 0.2500000000000000)]
```

The binary number system:

```
sage: M = BinaryStrings().encoding("abcd")
sage: L = M.frequency_distribution().function()
sage: sorted(L.items())
[(0, 0.5937500000000000), (1, 0.4062500000000000)]
```

The hexadecimal number system:

```
sage: M = HexadecimalStrings().encoding("abcd")
sage: L = M.frequency_distribution().function()
sage: sorted(L.items())
```

```
[(1, 0.1250000000000000),
 (2, 0.1250000000000000),
 (3, 0.1250000000000000),
 (4, 0.1250000000000000),
 (6, 0.5000000000000000)]
```

Get the observed frequency probability distribution of digrams in the string “ABCD”. This string consists of the following digrams: “AB”, “BC”, and “CD”. Now find out the frequency probability of each of these digrams as they occur in the string “ABCD”:

```
sage: M = AlphabeticStrings().encoding("abcd")
sage: D = M.frequency_distribution(length=2).function()
sage: sorted(D.items())
[(AB, 0.3333333333333333), (BC, 0.3333333333333333), (CD, 0.3333333333333333)]
```

```
sage.monoids.string_monoid_element.is_AlphabeticStringMonoidElement(x)
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## FREE STRING MONOIDS

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Sage supports a wide range of specific free string monoids.

```
class sage.monoids.string_monoid.AlphabeticStringMonoid
    Bases: sage.monoids.string_monoid.StringMonoid_class
```

The free alphabetic string monoid on generators A-Z.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = AlphabeticStrings(); S
Free alphabetic string monoid on A-Z
sage: S.gen(0)
A
sage: S.gen(25)
Z
sage: S([ i for i in range(26) ])
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
```

```
characteristic_frequency (table_name='beker_piper')
```

Return a table of the characteristic frequency probability distribution of the English alphabet. In written English, various letters of the English alphabet occur more frequently than others. For example, the letter “E” appears more often than other vowels such as “A”, “I”, “O”, and “U”. In long works of written English such as books, the probability of a letter occurring tends to stabilize around a value. We call this value the characteristic frequency probability of the letter under consideration. When this probability is considered for each letter of the English alphabet, the resulting probabilities for all letters of this alphabet is referred to as the characteristic frequency probability distribution. Various studies report slightly different values for the characteristic frequency probability of an English letter. For instance, [Lew00] reports that “E” has a characteristic frequency probability of 0.12702, while [BekPip82] reports this value as 0.127. The concepts of characteristic frequency probability and characteristic frequency probability distribution can also be applied to non-empty alphabets other than the English alphabet.

The output of this method is different from that of the method `frequency_distribution()`. One can think of the characteristic frequency probability of an element in an alphabet  $A$  as the expected probability of that element occurring. Let  $S$  be a string encoded using elements of  $A$ . The frequency probability distribution corresponding to  $S$  provides us with the frequency probability of each element of  $A$  as observed occurring in  $S$ . Thus one distribution provides expected probabilities, while the other provides observed probabilities.

INPUT:

- `table_name` – (default “beker\_piper”) the table of characteristic frequency probability distribution to use. The following tables are supported:

- "beker\_piper" – the table of characteristic frequency probability distribution by Beker and Piper [BekPip82]. This is the default table to use.
- "lewand" – the table of characteristic frequency probability distribution by Lewand as described on page 36 of [Lew00].

OUTPUT:

- A table of the characteristic frequency probability distribution of the English alphabet. This is a dictionary of letter/probability pairs.

EXAMPLES:

The characteristic frequency probability distribution table of Beker and Piper [BekPip82]:

```
sage: A = AlphabeticStrings()
sage: table = A.characteristic_frequency(table_name="beker_piper")
sage: sorted(table.items())
```

```
[('A', 0.08200000000000000),
 ('B', 0.01500000000000000),
 ('C', 0.02800000000000000),
 ('D', 0.04300000000000000),
 ('E', 0.12700000000000000),
 ('F', 0.02200000000000000),
 ('G', 0.02000000000000000),
 ('H', 0.06100000000000000),
 ('I', 0.07000000000000000),
 ('J', 0.00200000000000000),
 ('K', 0.00800000000000000),
 ('L', 0.04000000000000000),
 ('M', 0.02400000000000000),
 ('N', 0.06700000000000000),
 ('O', 0.07500000000000000),
 ('P', 0.01900000000000000),
 ('Q', 0.00100000000000000),
 ('R', 0.06000000000000000),
 ('S', 0.06300000000000000),
 ('T', 0.09100000000000000),
 ('U', 0.02800000000000000),
 ('V', 0.01000000000000000),
 ('W', 0.02300000000000000),
 ('X', 0.00100000000000000),
 ('Y', 0.02000000000000000),
 ('Z', 0.00100000000000000)]
```

The characteristic frequency probability distribution table of Lewand [Lew00]:

```
sage: table = A.characteristic_frequency(table_name="lewand")
sage: sorted(table.items())
```

```
[('A', 0.08167000000000000),
 ('B', 0.01492000000000000),
 ('C', 0.02782000000000000),
 ('D', 0.04253000000000000),
 ('E', 0.12702000000000000),
 ('F', 0.02228000000000000),
 ('G', 0.02015000000000000),
 ('H', 0.06094000000000000),
 ('I', 0.06966000000000000),
 ('J', 0.00153000000000000),
```

```
( 'K', 0.007720000000000000),
( 'L', 0.040250000000000000),
( 'M', 0.024060000000000000),
( 'N', 0.067490000000000000),
( 'O', 0.075070000000000000),
( 'P', 0.019290000000000000),
( 'Q', 0.000950000000000000),
( 'R', 0.059870000000000000),
( 'S', 0.063270000000000000),
( 'T', 0.090560000000000000),
( 'U', 0.027580000000000000),
( 'V', 0.009780000000000000),
( 'W', 0.023600000000000000),
( 'X', 0.001500000000000000),
( 'Y', 0.019740000000000000),
( 'Z', 0.000740000000000000)]
```

Illustrating the difference between `characteristic_frequency()` and `frequency_distribution()`:

```
sage: A = AlphabeticStrings()
sage: M = A.encoding("abcd")
sage: FD = M.frequency_distribution().function()
sage: sorted(FD.items())
```

```
[(A, 0.250000000000000000),
 (B, 0.250000000000000000),
 (C, 0.250000000000000000),
 (D, 0.250000000000000000)]
```

```
sage: CF = A.characteristic_frequency()
sage: sorted(CF.items())
```

```
[( 'A', 0.082000000000000000),
 ( 'B', 0.015000000000000000),
 ( 'C', 0.028000000000000000),
 ( 'D', 0.043000000000000000),
 ( 'E', 0.127000000000000000),
 ( 'F', 0.022000000000000000),
 ( 'G', 0.020000000000000000),
 ( 'H', 0.061000000000000000),
 ( 'I', 0.070000000000000000),
 ( 'J', 0.002000000000000000),
 ( 'K', 0.008000000000000000),
 ( 'L', 0.040000000000000000),
 ( 'M', 0.024000000000000000),
 ( 'N', 0.067000000000000000),
 ( 'O', 0.075000000000000000),
 ( 'P', 0.019000000000000000),
 ( 'Q', 0.001000000000000000),
 ( 'R', 0.060000000000000000),
 ( 'S', 0.063000000000000000),
 ( 'T', 0.091000000000000000),
 ( 'U', 0.028000000000000000),
 ( 'V', 0.010000000000000000),
 ( 'W', 0.023000000000000000),
 ( 'X', 0.001000000000000000),
 ( 'Y', 0.020000000000000000),
 ( 'Z', 0.001000000000000000)]
```

## TESTS:

The table name must be either “baker\_piper” or “lewand”:

```
sage: table = A.characteristic_frequency(table_name="")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Table name must be either 'baker_piper' or 'lewand'.
sage: table = A.characteristic_frequency(table_name="none")
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
ValueError: Table name must be either 'baker_piper' or 'lewand'.
```

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**encoding** (*S*)

The encoding of the string *S* in the alphabetic string monoid, obtained by the monoid homomorphism

$A \rightarrow A, \dots, Z \rightarrow Z, a \rightarrow A, \dots, z \rightarrow Z$

and stripping away all other characters. It should be noted that this is a non-injective monoid homomorphism.

## EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = AlphabeticStrings()
sage: s = S.encoding("The cat in the hat."); s
THECATINTHEHAT
sage: s.decoding()
'THECATINTHEHAT'
```

`sage.monoids.string_monoid.AlphabeticStrings()`

Returns the string monoid on generators A-Z:  $\{A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z\}$ .

## OUTPUT:

•Free alphabetic string monoid on A-Z.

## EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = AlphabeticStrings(); S
Free alphabetic string monoid on A-Z
sage: x = S.gens()
sage: x[0]
A
sage: x[25]
Z
```

**class** `sage.monoids.string_monoid.BinaryStringMonoid`

Bases: `sage.monoids.string_monoid.StringMonoid_class`

The free binary string monoid on generators  $\{0, 1\}$ .

**encoding** (*S*, *padic=False*)

The binary encoding of the string *S*, as a binary string element.

The default is to keep the standard ASCII byte encoding, e.g.

```
A = 65 -> 01000001
B = 66 -> 01000010
.
.
.
Z = 90 -> 01001110
```



rather than a 2-adic representation  $65 \rightarrow 10000010$ .

Set `padic=True` to reverse the bit string.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = BinaryStrings()
sage: S.encoding('A')
01000001
sage: S.encoding('A', padic=True)
10000010
sage: S.encoding(' ', padic=True)
00000100
```

`sage.monoids.string_monoid.BinaryStrings()`  
Returns the free binary string monoid on generators  $\{0, 1\}$ .

OUTPUT:

•Free binary string monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = BinaryStrings(); S
Free binary string monoid
sage: u = S('')
sage: u

sage: x = S('0')
sage: x
0
sage: y = S('1')
sage: y
1
sage: z = S('01110')
sage: z
01110
sage: x*y^3*x == z
True
sage: u*x == x*u
True
```

**class** `sage.monoids.string_monoid.HexadecimalStringMonoid`  
Bases: `sage.monoids.string_monoid.StringMonoid_class`

The free hexadecimal string monoid on generators  $\{0, 1, \dots, 9, a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ .

**encoding** (*S*, *padic=False*)

The encoding of the string *S* as a hexadecimal string element.

The default is to keep the standard right-to-left byte encoding, e.g.

```
A = '\x41' -> 41
B = '\x42' -> 42
.
.
.
Z = '\x5a' -> 5a
```

rather than a left-to-right representation  $A = 65 \rightarrow 14$ . Although standard (e.g., in the Python constructor 'xhh'), this can be confusing when the string reads left-to-right.

Set `padic=True` to reverse the character encoding.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = HexadecimalStrings()
sage: S.encoding('A')
41
sage: S.encoding('A', padic=True)
14
sage: S.encoding(' ', padic=False)
20
sage: S.encoding(' ', padic=True)
02
```

`sage.monoids.string_monoid.HexadecimalStrings()`

Returns the free hexadecimal string monoid on generators  $\{0, 1, \dots, 9, a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ .

OUTPUT:

•Free hexadecimal string monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = HexadecimalStrings(); S
Free hexadecimal string monoid
sage: x = S.gen(0)
sage: y = S.gen(10)
sage: z = S.gen(15)
sage: z
f
sage: x*y^3*z
0aaaf
```

**class** `sage.monoids.string_monoid.OctalStringMonoid`

Bases: `sage.monoids.string_monoid.StringMonoid_class`

The free octal string monoid on generators  $\{0, 1, \dots, 7\}$ .

`sage.monoids.string_monoid.OctalStrings()`

Returns the free octal string monoid on generators  $\{0, 1, \dots, 7\}$ .

OUTPUT:

•Free octal string monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = OctalStrings(); S
Free octal string monoid
sage: x = S.gens()
sage: x[0]
0
sage: x[7]
7
sage: x[0] * x[3]^3 * x[5]^4 * x[6]
033355556
```

**class** `sage.monoids.string_monoid.Radix64StringMonoid`

Bases: `sage.monoids.string_monoid.StringMonoid_class`

The free radix 64 string monoid on 64 generators.

`sage.monoids.string_monoid.Radix64Strings()`

Returns the free radix 64 string monoid on 64 generators

```
A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K,L,M,N,O,P,Q,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Y,Z,
a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l,m,n,o,p,q,r,s,t,u,v,w,x,y,z,
0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,+/,
```

OUTPUT:

- Free radix 64 string monoid.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = Radix64Strings(); S
Free radix 64 string monoid
sage: x = S.gens()
sage: x[0]
A
sage: x[62]
+
sage: x[63]
/
```

```
class sage.monoids.string_monoid.StringMonoid_class(n, alphabet=())
Bases: sage.monoids.free_monoid.FreeMonoid_class
```

A free string monoid on  $n$  generators.

**alphabet** ()

**gen** ( $i=0$ )

The  $i$ -th generator of the monoid.

INPUT:

- $i$  – integer (default: 0)

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = BinaryStrings()
sage: S.gen(0)
0
sage: S.gen(1)
1
sage: S.gen(2)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
IndexError: Argument i (= 2) must be between 0 and 1.
sage: S = HexadecimalStrings()
sage: S.gen(0)
0
sage: S.gen(12)
c
sage: S.gen(16)
Traceback (most recent call last):
...
IndexError: Argument i (= 16) must be between 0 and 15.
```



## UTILITY FUNCTIONS ON STRINGS

`sage.monoids.string_ops.coincidence_discriminant(S, n=2)`

Input: A tuple of strings, e.g. produced as decimation of transposition ciphertext, or a sample plaintext. Output: A measure of the difference of probability of association of character pairs, relative to their independent one-character probabilities.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = strip_encoding("The cat in the hat.")
sage: coincidence_discriminant([ S[i:i+2] for i in range(len(S)-1) ])
0.0827001855677322
```

`sage.monoids.string_ops.coincidence_index(S, n=1)`

The coincidence index of the string S.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = strip_encoding("The cat in the hat.")
sage: coincidence_index(S)
0.120879120879121
```

`sage.monoids.string_ops.frequency_distribution(S, n=1, field=None)`

The probability space of frequencies of n-character substrings of S.

`sage.monoids.string_ops.strip_encoding(S)`

The upper case string of S stripped of all non-alphabetic characters.

EXAMPLES:

```
sage: S = "The cat in the hat."
sage: strip_encoding(S)
'THECATINTHEHAT'
```



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