Class Float < Numeric

Float objects represent real numbers using the native architecture's double-precision floating-point representation.

Class constants

DIG	Precision of Float (in decimal digits)
EPSILON	The smallest Float such that $1.0+$ EPSILON $\neq 1.0$
MANT_DIG	The number of mantissa digits (base RADIX)
MAX	The largest Float
MAX_10_EXP	The maximum integer x such that 10^x is a finite Float
MAX_EXP	The maximum integer x such that $FLT_RADIX^{(x-1)}$ is a finite Float
MIN	The smallest Float
MIN_10_EXP	The minimum integer x such that 10^x is a finite Float
MIN_EXP	The minimum integer x such that $FLT_RADIX^{(x-1)}$ is a finite Float
RADIX	The radix of floating-point representations
ROUNDS	The rounding mode for floating-point operations; possible values
	include
	-1 if the mode is indeterminate
	0 if rounding is toward zero
	1 if rounding is to nearest representable value
	2 if rounding is toward $+\infty$
	3 if rounding is toward $-\infty$

Instance methods

Arithmetic operations

Performs various arithmetic operations on flt.

```
flt
                     Addition
          numeric
flt
                     Subtraction
          numeric
flt
          numeric
                     Multiplication
flt
     /
          numeric
                     Division
                     Modulo
flt
     \%
          numeric
     **
                     Exponentiation
flt
          numeric
flt
    -@
                     Unary minus
```

Comparisons

Compares *flt* to other numbers.

<=>

 $flt \ll numeric \rightarrow -1, 0, +1$

Returns -1, 0, or +1 depending on whether flt is less than, equal to, or greater than numeric.

==

 $flt == obj \rightarrow \text{true or false}$

Returns true only if obj has the same value as flt. Contrast this with Float#eql?, which requires obj to be a Float.

```
1.0 == 1.0  # => true
(1.0).eql?(1.0)  # => true
1.0 == 1  # => true
(1.0).eql?(1)  # => false
```

abs

 $flt.abs \rightarrow numeric$

Returns the absolute value of flt.

```
(-34.56).abs # => 34.56
-34.56.abs # => 34.56
```

ceil

 $flt.ceil \rightarrow int$

Returns the smallest Integer greater than or equal to flt.

```
1.2.ceil # => 2
2.0.ceil # => 2
(-1.2).ceil # => -1
(-2.0).ceil # => -2
```

divmod

flt.divmod(*numeric*) \rightarrow *array*

See Numeric#divmod on page 617.

eql?

 $flt.eql?(obj) \rightarrow true or false$

Returns true only if obj is a Float with the same value as flt. Contrast this with Float#==, which performs type conversions.

```
1.0.eql?(1) # => false
1.0 == 1 # => true
```

fdiv

 $flt.fdiv(number) \rightarrow float$

1.9

Returns the floating-point result of dividing flt by number. Alias for Float#quo.

```
63.0.fdiv(9) # => 7.0
1234.56.fdiv(3.45) # => 357.84347826087
```

finite?

flt.finite? \rightarrow true or false

Returns true if *flt* is a valid IEEE floating-point number (it is not infinite, and nan? is false).

```
(42.0).finite? # => true
(1.0/0.0).finite? # => false
```

floor $flt.floor \rightarrow int$

Returns the largest integer less than or equal to flt.

```
1.2.floor # => 1
2.0.floor # => 2
(-1.2).floor # => -2
(-2.0).floor # => -2
```

infinite? $flt.infinite? \rightarrow nil, -1, +1$

Returns nil, -1, or +1 depending on whether flt is finite, $-\infty$, or $+\infty$.

```
(0.0).infinite? # => nil
(-1.0/0.0).infinite? # => -1
(+1.0/0.0).infinite? # => 1
```

$\textit{magnitude} \qquad \qquad \textit{flt.} \text{magnitude} \rightarrow \textit{float}$

Returns the magnitude of *flt* (the distance of *flt* from the origin of the number line). Synonym for Float#abs. See also Complex#magnitude.

modulo $flt.modulo(numeric) \rightarrow numeric$

Synonym for Float#%.

```
6543.21.modulo(137) # => 104.21
6543.21.modulo(137.24) # => 92.929999999999
```

nan? $ft.nan? \rightarrow true ext{ or false}$

Returns true if *flt* is an invalid IEEE floating-point number.

```
(-1.0).nan? # => false (0.0/0.0).nan? # => true
```

quo ____

1.9 Returns the floating-point result of dividing *flt* by *number*.

```
63.0.quo(9) # => 7.0
1234.56.quo(3.45) # => 357.84347826087
```

round $flt.round(digits=0) \rightarrow numeric$

1.9 Rounds *flt* to the nearest integer if the parameter is omitted or zero or rounds to the given number of digits.

```
1.5.round # => 2
(-1.5).round # => -2
3.14159.round # => 3
3.14159.round(4) # => 3.1416
3.14159.round(2) # => 3.14
```

$$\textbf{to_f} \qquad \qquad \textit{flt.} \\ \textbf{to_f} \rightarrow \textit{flt}$$

Returns flt.

 $flt.quo(number) \rightarrow float$

 $extbf{to_i}$ $extit{flt.to_i}
ightarrow extit{int}$

Returns flt truncated to an Integer.

to int $flt.to_int \rightarrow int$

Synonym for Float#to_i.

 $to_r flt.to_r \rightarrow number$

Converts *flt* to a rational number.

to_s $flt.to_s \rightarrow string$

Returns a string containing a representation of *flt*. As well as a fixed or exponential form of the number, the call may return NaN, Infinity, and -Infinity.

truncate flt.truncate \rightarrow int

Synonym for Float#to_i.

zero? *flt.*zero? → true or false

Returns true if flt is 0.0.