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Chapter 1

Classes

1.1 factor.util – utilities for factorization

- Classes
 - FactoringInteger
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This module uses following type:

factorlist:

factorlist is a list which consists of pairs (base, index). Each pair means $base^{index}$. The product of those terms expresses whole prime factorization.

1.1.1 FactoringInteger - keeping track of factorization

Initialize (Constructor)

$FactoringInteger(number: integer) \rightarrow FactoringInteger$

This is the base class for factoring integers.

number is stored in the attribute number. The factors will be stored in the attribute factors, and primality of factors will be tracked in the attribute primality.

The given number must be a composite number.

Attribute

number:

The composite number.

factors:

Factors known at the time being referred.

primality:

A dictionary of primality information of known factors. True if the factor is prime, False composite, or None undetermined.

Methods

1.1.1.1 getNextTarget - next target

```
\texttt{getNextTarget}(\texttt{self}, \texttt{cond:} \textit{function} = \texttt{None}) \rightarrow \textit{integer}
```

Return the next target which meets cond.

If cond is not specified, then the next target is a composite (or undetermined) factor of **number**.

cond should be a binary predicate whose arguments are base and index. If there is no target factor, LookupError will be raised.

1.1.1.2 getResult - result of factorization

```
getResult(self) \rightarrow factors
```

Return the currently known factorization of the **number**.

1.1.1.3 register – register a new factor

```
\begin{array}{l} \textbf{register(self, divisor: } integer, \textbf{ isprime: } bool = \texttt{None)} \\ \rightarrow \end{array}
```

Register a divisor of the **number** if the divisor is a true divisor of the number.

The number is divided by the divisor as many times as possible.

The optional argument isprime tells the primality of the divisor (default to undetermined).

1.1.1.4 sortFactors – sort factors

```
sortFactors(self) \rightarrow
```

Sort factors list.

This affects the result of $\mathbf{getResult}$.

Examples

```
>>> A = factor.util.FactoringInteger(100)
>>> A.getNextTarget()
100
>>> A.getResult()
[(100, 1)]
>>> A.register(5, True)
>>> A.getResult()
[(5, 2), (4, 1)]
>>> A.sortFactors()
>>> A.getResult()
[(4, 1), (5, 2)
>>> A.primality
{4: None, 5: True}
>>> A.getNextTarget()
4
```

1.1.2 FactoringMethod – method of factorization

Initialize (Constructor)

FactoringMethod() ightarrow FactoringMethod

Base class of factoring methods.

All methods defined in **factor.methods** are implemented as derived classes of this class. The method which users may call is **factor** only. Other methods are explained for future implementers of a new factoring method.

Methods

1.1.2.1 factor - do factorization

```
\begin{array}{ll} {\it factor(self, number: integer, return\_type: str='list', need\_sort: bool=False\ )} \\ &\rightarrow {\it factorlist} \end{array}
```

Return the factorization of the given positive integer number.

The default returned type is a **factorlist**.

A keyword option return_type can be as the following:

- 1. 'list' for default type (factorlist).
- 2. 'tracker' for FactoringInteger.

Another keyword option need_sort is Boolean: True to sort the result. This should be specified with return_type='list'.

1.1.2.2 †continue factor - continue factorization

Continue factoring of the given tracker and return the result of factorization.

The default returned type is **FactoringInteger**, but if **return_type** is specified as 'list' then it returns **factorlist**. The primality is judged by a function specified in **primeq** optional keyword argument, which default is **primeq**.

1.1.2.3 \dagger find – find a factor

```
{
m find}({
m self},\,{
m target:}\,integer,\,{
m **}{
m options}\,\,) \,
ightarrow\,integer
```

Find a factor from the target number.

This method has to be overridden, or **factor** method should be overridden not to call this method.

1.1.2.4 †generate – generate prime factors

```
	ext{generate}(	ext{self}, 	ext{target: } integer, 	ext{**options}) 
ightarrow integer
```

Generate prime factors of the target number with their valuations.

The method may terminate with yielding (1, 1) to indicate the factorization is incomplete.

This method has to be overridden, or **factor** method should be overridden not to call this method.