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bigfloat	<i>High-Precision Numeric Vectors</i>
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**Description**

bigfloat() and as\_bigfloat() construct a vector designed to store numbers with 50 decimal digits of precision.

is\_bigfloat() checks if an object is of class bignum\_bigfloat.

**Usage**

```
bigfloat(x = character())
```

```
as_bigfloat(x)
```

```
is_bigfloat(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    Object to be coerced or tested.

**Value**

An S3 vector of class bignum\_bigfloat.

**See Also**

[NA\\_bigfloat\\_](#) to represent missing values.

[format\(\)](#) for pretty printing.

[vignette\("operations"\)](#) for supported operations.

**Examples**

```
# default options limit displayed precision
bigfloat(1) / 3

# display full precision
format(bigfloat(1) / 3, sigfig = 50, notation = "dec")
```

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**biginteger***Arbitrary-Precision Integer Vectors*

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**Description**

`biginteger()` and `as_biginteger()` construct a vector designed to store *any* integer.  
`is_biginteger()` checks if an object is of class `bignum_biginteger`.

**Usage**

```
biginteger(x = character())

as_biginteger(x)

is_biginteger(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x`                    Object to be coerced or tested.

**Value**

An S3 vector of class `bignum_biginteger`.

**See Also**

[NA\\_biginteger\\_](#) to represent missing values.  
[format\(\)](#) for pretty printing.  
[vignette\("operations"\)](#) for supported operations.

**Examples**

```
# default options limit displayed precision
biginteger(2)^50L

# display full precision
format(biginteger(2)^50L, notation = "dec")

# lossy casts raise a warning
biginteger(c(2, 2.5, 3))
```

```
# suppress warnings if they are expected
suppressWarnings(biginteger(c(2, 2.5, 3)))

# unsigned integers can be specified as hexadecimal
biginteger("0xffffffff")
```

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bignum-arith

*Arithmetic operations*


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## Description

[biginteger](#) and [bigfloat](#) vectors support the standard arithmetic operations. The base R documentation can be found at [Arithmetic](#).

## Value

These arithmetic operations are **type-stable**, which means the output type depends only on the input types (not the input values). A [biginteger](#) vector is returned when the result must be an integer (e.g., addition of two integers). Otherwise a [bigfloat](#) vector is returned.

The following table summarizes the return type for each combination, where "integer-like" refers to integer and [biginteger](#) vectors and "float-like" refers to double and [bigfloat](#) vectors.

Input 1	Operator	Input 2	Result
Integer-like	+, -, *, ^, %%	Integer-like	-> biginteger
Integer-like	+, -, *, ^, %%	Float-like	-> bigfloat
Float-like	+, -, *, ^, %%	Integer-like	-> bigfloat
Float-like	+, -, *, ^, %%	Float-like	-> bigfloat
Any	/	Any	-> bigfloat
Any	%!%	Any	-> biginteger

## See Also

Other bignum operations: [bignum-compare](#), [bignum-math](#), [bignum-special](#)

## Examples

```
x <- biginteger(5)
y <- bigfloat(2)

+x
-x
x + y
x - y
x * y
x / y
x^y
```

```
x %% y  
x %/% y
```

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bignum-compare      *Comparison operations*

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### Description

[biginteger](#) and [bigfloat](#) vectors support the standard comparison operations. The base R documentation can be found at [Comparison](#).

### Value

A logical vector.

### See Also

Other bignum operations: [bignum-arith](#), [bignum-math](#), [bignum-special](#)

### Examples

```
x <- biginteger(5)  
y <- bigfloat(2)  
  
x < y  
x > y  
x <= y  
x >= y  
x == y  
x != y
```

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bignum-constants      *Constants*

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### Description

`NA_biginteger_` and `NA_bigfloat_` support missing values.  
`bigpi` is a higher precision version of [pi](#).

### Usage

```
NA_biginteger_  
  
NA_bigfloat_  
  
bigpi
```

**Value**

A `biginteger` or `bigfloat` vector of length 1.

**See Also**

`NA` and `pi` are the base constants.

**Examples**

```
NA_biginteger_

NA_bigfloat_

# default options limit displayed precision
bigpi

# display full precision
format(bigpi, sigfig = 50, notation = "dec")
```

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bignum-format

*Format a bignum vector*


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**Description**

Customize how a `biginteger` or `bigfloat` vector is displayed. The precision can be controlled with a number of significant figures, or with a maximum or fixed number of digits after the decimal point. You can also choose between decimal, scientific and hexadecimal notations.

The default formatting applied when printing depends on the type of object:

- **standalone vector:** consults `"bignum.sigfig"` and `"bignum.max_dec_width"`
- **tibble column:** consults `"pillar.sigfig"` and `"pillar.max_dec_width"`

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bignum_biginteger'
format(
  x,
  ...,
  sigfig = NULL,
  digits = NULL,
  notation = c("fit", "dec", "sci", "hex")
)

## S3 method for class 'bignum_bigfloat'
format(x, ..., sigfig = NULL, digits = NULL, notation = c("fit", "dec", "sci"))
```

## Arguments

x	A <a href="#">biginteger</a> or <a href="#">bigfloat</a> vector.
...	These dots are for future extensions and must be empty.
sigfig	Number of significant figures to show. Must be positive. Cannot be combined with <code>digits</code> . If both <code>sigfig</code> and <code>digits</code> are unspecified, then consults the "bignum.sigfig" option (default: 7).
digits	Number of digits to show after the decimal point. Positive values indicate the exact number of digits to show. Negative values indicate the maximum number of digits to show (terminal zeros are hidden if there are no subsequent non-zero digits). Cannot be combined with <code>sigfig</code> .
notation	How should the vector be displayed? Choices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• "fit": Use decimal notation if it fits, otherwise use scientific notation. Consults the "bignum.max_dec_width" option (default: 13).</li><li>• "dec": Use decimal notation, regardless of width.</li><li>• "sci": Use scientific notation.</li><li>• "hex": Use hexadecimal notation (positive <a href="#">biginteger</a> only).</li></ul>

## Value

Character vector

## Examples

```
# default uses decimal notation
format(bigfloat(1e12))

# until it becomes too wide, then it uses scientific notation
format(bigfloat(1e13))

# hexadecimal notation is supported for positive integers
format(biginteger(255), notation = "hex")

# significant figures
format(bigfloat(12.5), sigfig = 2)

# fixed digits after decimal point
format(bigfloat(12.5), digits = 2)

# maximum digits after decimal point
format(bigfloat(12.5), digits = -2)
```

**Description**

[biginteger](#) and [bigfloat](#) vectors support many of the standard mathematical operations. The base R documentation can be found by searching for the individual functions (e.g. [mean\(\)](#)).

**Value**

The returned value depends on the individual function. We recommend reading the base R documentation for a specific function to understand the expected result.

**See Also**

Other bignum operations: [bignum-arith](#), [bignum-compare](#), [bignum-special](#)

**Examples**

```
# summary
x <- bigfloat(1:5)
sum(x)
prod(x)
max(x)
min(x)
range(x)
mean(x)

# cumulative
x <- bigfloat(1:5)
cumsum(x)
cumprod(x)
cummax(x)
cummin(x)

# rounding
x <- bigfloat(1.5)
floor(x)
ceiling(x)
trunc(x)

# miscellaneous
x <- bigfloat(2)
abs(x)
sign(x)
sqrt(x)

# logarithms and exponentials
x <- bigfloat(2)
log(x)
```



```
log10(x)
log2(x)
log1p(x)
exp(x)
expm1(x)

# trigonometric
x <- bigfloat(0.25)
cos(x)
sin(x)
tan(x)
acos(x)
asin(x)
atan(x)
cospi(x)
sinpi(x)
tanpi(x)

# hyperbolic
x <- bigfloat(0.25)
cosh(x)
sinh(x)
tanh(x)
acosh(bigfloat(2))
asinh(x)
atanh(x)

# special functions
x <- bigfloat(2.5)
gamma(x)
lgamma(x)
digamma(x)
trigamma(x)
factorial(x)
lfactorial(x)
```

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bignum-special

*Check for special values*

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## Description

[biginteger](#) and [bigfloat](#) support missing values (via `NA_biginteger_` and `NA_bigfloat_` respectively).

[bigfloat](#) additionally supports positive and negative infinity and 'Not a Number' values. Usually these are the result of a calculation, but they can also be created manually by casting from [numeric](#) to [bigfloat](#).

These functions check for the presence of these special values. The base R documentation can be found at [is.na\(\)](#) and [is.finite\(\)](#).

**Value**

A logical vector.

**See Also**

Other bignum operations: [bignum-arith](#), [bignum-compare](#), [bignum-math](#)

**Examples**

```
x <- bigfloat(c(0, NA, Inf, -Inf, NaN))

is.na(x)
is.finite(x)
is.infinite(x)
is.nan(x)
```

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 seq.bignum\_vctr

*Sequences of bignum vectors*


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**Description**

Generate a regular sequence of [biginteger](#) or [bigfloat](#) values.

When calling seq(), exactly two of the following must be specified:

- to
- by
- Either length.out or along.with

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bignum_vctr'
seq(from, to = NULL, by = NULL, length.out = NULL, along.with = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

from	Start value of the sequence. Always included in the result. A <a href="#">biginteger</a> or <a href="#">bigfloat</a> scalar.
to	Stop value of the sequence. Only included in the result if by divides the interval between from and to exactly. to is cast to the type of from.
by	Amount to increment the sequence by. by is cast to the type of from.
length.out	Length of the resulting sequence.
along.with	Vector who's length determines the length of the resulting sequence.
...	These dots are for future extensions and must be empty.

**Value**

A sequence with the type of from.

**Examples**

```
seq(biginteger(0), 10, by = 2)
```

```
seq(biginteger(0), 10, length.out = 3)
```

```
seq(biginteger(0), by = 3, length.out = 3)
```

```
seq(bigfloat(0), by = -0.05, length.out = 6)
```

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