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# **BaseHash Documentation**

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BaseHash is available on [PyPi](#), to install simply do `pip install basehash`. The source is available at the GitHub repository [python-basehash](#).

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## The heart of BaseHash

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### BaseHash Constants

The two constants of BaseHash are `HASH_LENGTH` and `GENERATOR`.

`HASH_LENGTH`, default set to 6, is used as a default hashing length, which can be overridden in `baseN.hash()`.

`GENERATOR` uses the [Golden Ratio](#), 1.618033988749894848, to determine the next highest prime, which is based on  $\text{base}^{\text{length}} - 1$ . `GENERATOR` can either be overridden globally or can be overridden within `base_hash` or `base_unhash`.

### prime

**prime** (*base, n, gen*)

Returns next highest prime. using  $\text{base}^n * \text{gen}$ .

### base\_encode

**base\_encode** (*num, alphabet*)

Encodes *int* num to *base* alphabet. Returns string

### base\_decode

**base\_decode** (*key, alphabet*)

Decodes *string* key from *string* alphabet (or base). Returns int

## base\_hash

**base\_hash** (*num*, *length*, *alphabet* [, *gen*=*GENERATOR* ])

Hashes *int* *num* to *string* *alphabet* (or *base*), *int* *length* digits long using the built in *base*.*GENERATOR*, which can be overridden. Returns *string*

## base\_unhash

**base\_unhash** (*key*, *alphabet* [, *gen*=*GENERATOR* ])

Unhashes *string* *key* from *string* *alphabet* (or *base*) using the built in *base*.*GENERATOR*, which can be overridden.

## base\_maximum

**base\_maximum** (*base*, *length*)

Returns maximum *int* that *int* *base* ^ *int* *length* can take. Returns *int*



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### Built-in BaseN

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BaseHash comes with a few built-in bases, Base36, Base52, Base56, Base58, Base62, and Base94.

#### BaseN.BASEN

```
BASE36 = 0123456789ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
BASE52 = 0123456789BCDFGHJKLMNPQRSTUVWXYZbdcfghjklmnpqrstvwxyz
BASE56 = 23456789ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
BASE58 = 123456789ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
BASE62 = 0123456789ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
BASE94 = !"#$%&'()*+,-./0123456789:;<=>?
@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ[\]^_`abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz{|}~
```

#### encode

`baseN.encode(num)`  
Encodes *int* num to baseN. Returns `base_encode(num, BASEN)`. Returns *string*

#### decode

`baseN.decode(key)`  
Decodes *string* key from baseN. Returns `base_decode(key, BASEN)`. Returns *int*

## hash

`baseN.hash(num[, length=HASH_LENGTH])`

Hashes *int* num to baseN at *int* length characters. Returns `base_hash(num, length, BASEN)`. Returns string

## unhash

`baseN.unhash(key)`

Unhashes *string* key from baseN. Returns `base_unhash(key, BASEN)`. Returns int

## maximum

`baseN.maximum([length=HASH_LENGTH])`

Returns maximum value for a hash of given *int* length. Returns `base_maximum(len(BASEN), length)` Returns int

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### Extending to BaseX

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Much work was put into generating prime numbers on the fly, allowing BaseHash to be extended to BaseX with ease. To extend the library, you just need to import `basehash.base` and call a few methods.

```
from basehash.base import *

# ALPHA must be a tuple
ALPHA = tuple('24680ACEGIKMOQSUWYbdfhjlnprtvxz')

# hash `num` to `ALPHA` at `length` characters
def hash(num, length=HASH_LENGTH):
    return base_hash(num, length, ALPHA)

# unhash `key` from `ALPHA`
def unhash(key):
    return base_unhash(key, ALPHA)

## optional methods:

# encode `num` to `ALPHA`
def encode(num):
    return base_encode(num, ALPHA)

# decode `key` from `ALPHA`
def decode(key):
    return base_decode(key, ALPHA)

# return maximum value for `hash` at `length`
def maximum(length=HASH_LENGTH):
    return base_maximum(len(ALPHA), length)
```



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