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Julia:

- JIT (Just-In-Time) compiled language
- interactive shell
- modern language features
- fast on trivial operations
- easy integration of existing C-libraries
- (easy) access to C++-libraries
- garbage collected
- (strongly) typed

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What is actually there?

- git repositories for Nemo, hecke and antic
- basic rings: \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{F}_q , \mathbb{Q}_p
- polynomial rings and residue class rings
- linear algebra over basic rings
- number fields
- orders and ideals
- maximal orders and ideals
- factor base and relations for the class group
- Euler product with error guarantees
- processing of unit group
- sparse linear algebra
- lattice enumeration

What is missing (for now)?

- top-level class group
- fast(er) maximal order
- fast(er) factorisation
- quality control: documentation, profiling and testing
- use of subfields, Brauer characters
- *p*-adic techniques
- parallelisation

Dreaming:

- (good) linear algebra over number fields
- non-commutative orders
- function fields
- class field theory
- strong integration of (Gap, Polymake, Singular) into Julia
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- Galois groups and automorphisms
- Galois cohomology
- representation theory
- the rest

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- Julia: http://www.julialang.org
- Nemo: http://www.nemocas.org
- hecke http://github.com/thofma/hecke

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