

Representation of p -adic numbers in rational base numeration systems

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p -adic numbers

The set of **p -adic integers** is $\mathbb{Z}_p = \sum_{i \geq 0} a_i p^i$ with a_i in $\mathcal{A}_p = \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$. Notation: $\cdots a_2 a_1 a_0 \cdot \in \mathbb{Z}_p$.

The set of **p -adic numbers** is $\mathbb{Q}_p = \sum_{i \geq -k_0} a_i p^i$ with a_i in \mathcal{A}_p . Notation: $\cdots a_2 a_1 a_0 \cdot a_{-1} \cdots a_{-k_0} \in \mathbb{Q}_p$.

\mathbb{Q}_p is a commutative ring, and \mathbb{Z}_p is a subring of \mathbb{Q}_p .

p -adic valuation $v_p : \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is given by

$$n = p^{v_p(n)} n' \quad \text{with} \quad p \nmid n'.$$

For $x = \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$x = p^{v_p(x)} \frac{a'}{b'} \quad \text{with} \quad (a', b') = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (b', p) = 1.$$

The **p -metric** is defined on \mathbb{Q} by $d_p(x, y) = p^{-v_p(x-y)}$. It is an ultrametric distance.

Example

$$p = 10$$

Take $z_n =_{10} \overbrace{6 \cdots 6}^n 7$.

Then

$$z_n - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}(10)^{n+1}$$

and $v_{10}(z_n - \frac{1}{3}) = n + 1$ thus

$$d_{10}(z_n, \frac{1}{3}) = (10)^{-n-1} \rightarrow 0$$

Hence the 10-adic representation of $\frac{1}{3}$ is $\cdots 66667$.

$$p = 10$$

Take $s = \dots 109376.$ and $t = \dots 890625.$

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One can prove that

- $s =_2 0$ and $s =_5 1$
- $t =_2 1$ and $t =_5 0$.

Computer arithmetic

2's complement

In base 2, on n positions. $n = 8$:

$$01111111 = 127$$

$$00000001 = 1$$

$$00000000 = 0$$

$$11111111 = -1$$

$$10000000 = -128$$

Troncation of 2-adic numbers.

p prime

\mathbb{Q}_p is a field if and only if p is prime.

\mathbb{Q}_p is the completion of \mathbb{Q} with respect to d_p .

p -adic absolute value on \mathbb{Q} :

$$|x|_p = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, \\ p^{-v_p(x)} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

\mathbb{Q}_p is the quotient field of the ring of p -adic integers

$$\mathbb{Z}_p = \{x \in \mathbb{Q}_p \mid |x|_p \leq 1\}.$$

p -expansion of p -adic numbers

p prime

Algorithm

Let $x = \frac{s}{t}$, s an integer and t a positive integer.

- (i) If $s = 0$, return the empty word $\mathbf{a} = \varepsilon$.
- (ii) If t is co-prime to p , put $s_0 = s$ and for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ define s_{i+1} and $a_i \in \mathcal{A}_p$ by

$$\frac{s_i}{t} = \frac{ps_{i+1}}{t} + a_i.$$

Return $\mathbf{a} = \cdots a_2 a_1 a_0$.

- (iii) If t is not co-prime to p , multiply $\frac{s}{t}$ by p until $x p^\ell$ is of the form $\frac{s'}{t'}$, where t' is co-prime to p . Then apply (ii) returning $\mathbf{a}' = \cdots a'_2 a'_1 a'_0$. Return $\mathbf{a} = \cdots a_1 a_0 \cdot a_{-1} a_{-2} \cdots a_{-\ell} = \cdots a'_\ell \cdot a'_{\ell-1} \cdots a'_1 a'_0$.

\mathbf{a} is said to be the p -expansion of x and denoted by $\langle x \rangle_p$.

$$\ell = v_p(x)$$

Theorem

Let $x \in \mathbb{Q}_p$. Then the p -representation of x is

- 1. uniquely given,*
- 2. finite if, and only if, $x \in \mathbb{N}$,*
- 3. eventually periodic if, and only if, $x \in \mathbb{Q}$.*

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Representation of the natural integers:

Algorithm (MD algorithm)

Let s be a positive integer. Put $s_0 = s$ and for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$qs_i = ps_{i+1} + a_i \quad \text{with} \quad a_i \in \mathcal{A}_p$$

Return $\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -*expansion* of s : $\langle s \rangle_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}} = a_n \cdots a_1 a_0$.

$$s = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{a_i}{q} \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^i$$

$\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -expansions – properties

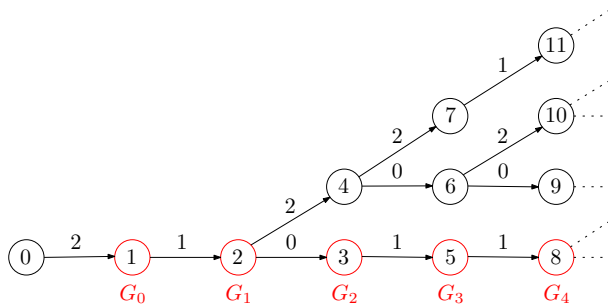
$$L_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}} = \{w \in \mathcal{A}_p^* \mid w \text{ is } \frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}\text{-expansion of some } s \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

- $L_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}}$ is prefix-closed,
- any $u \in \mathcal{A}_p^+$ is a suffix of some $w \in L_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}}$,
- $L_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}}$ is not context-free (if $q \neq 1$),
- $\pi : \mathcal{A}_p^+ \mapsto \mathbb{Q}$ the evaluation map. If $v, w \in L_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}}$, then

$$v \preceq w \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \pi(v) \leq \pi(w).$$

$T_{\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}}$ – tree of nonnegative integers

$$p = 3, q = 2$$



Children of the vertex n are given by $\frac{1}{q}(pn + a) \in \mathbb{N}, a \in \mathcal{A}_p$.

$$G_0 = 1, \quad G_{i+1} = \left\lceil \frac{p}{q} G_i \right\rceil$$

In AFS 2008, the **right infinite** words that label the infinite paths of $T_{\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}}$ are defined as the admissible $\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}$ -expansions of positive real numbers, of the form $.a_{-1}a_{-2}\cdots$, and it is proved that every positive real in $[0, 1]$ has exactly one $\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}$ -expansion, but for an infinite countable subset of reals which have more than one such expansion.

No periodic expansion.

Connection with the problem of the distribution of the powers of a rational number modulo 1 (Mahler 1968).

MD algorithm – the negative case

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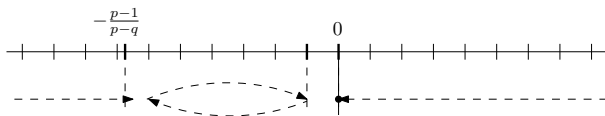
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Properties of $(s_i)_{i \geq 0}$:

- (i) $(s_i)_{i \geq 1}$ is negative,
- (ii) if $s_i < -\frac{p-1}{p-q}$, then $s_i < s_{i+1}$,
- (iii) if $-\frac{p-1}{p-q} \leq s_i < 0$, then $-\frac{p-1}{p-q} \leq s_{i+1} < 0$.



In which fields does it work?

$$s = s_n \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{a_i}{q} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^i$$

We want:

$$\left| s - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{a_i}{q} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^i \right|_r = |s_n|_r \left| \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^n \right|_r \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Hence, if $p = r_1^{j_1} r_2^{j_2} \dots r_k^{j_k}$, the $\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -expansion of s “works” only in \mathbb{Q}_{r_ℓ} , $\ell = 1, \dots, k$. The speed of convergence is then $\approx r^{-j_\ell n}$.

$\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -expansions of negative integers

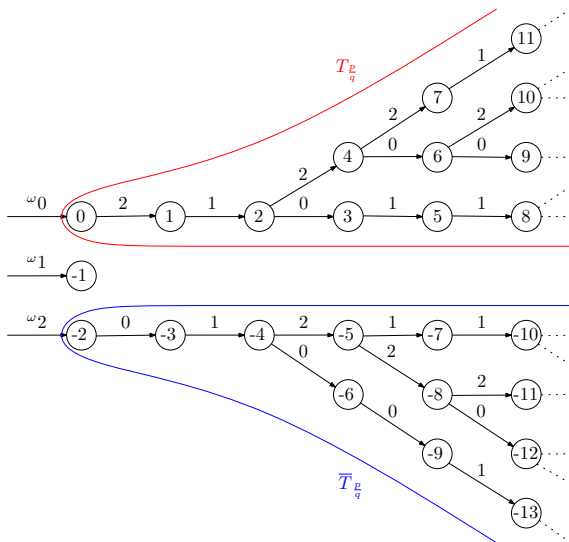
Proposition

Let k be a positive integer, and denote $B = \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{p-q} \right\rfloor$. Then:

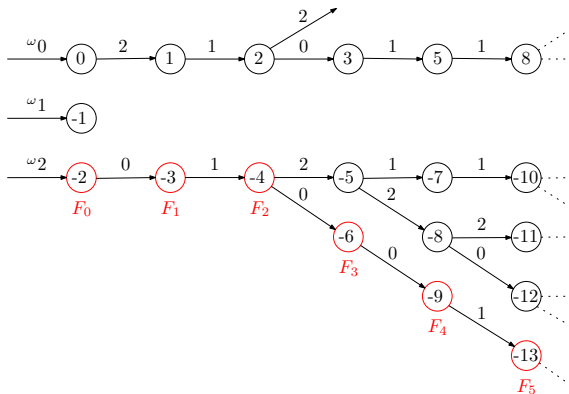
- (i) if $k \leq B$, then $\langle -k \rangle_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}} = {}^\omega b$ with $b = k(p-q)$,
- (ii) otherwise, $\langle -k \rangle_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}} = {}^\omega bw$ with $w \in \mathcal{A}_p^+$ and $b = B(p-q)$.

$\overline{T}_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}}$ – tree of negative integers

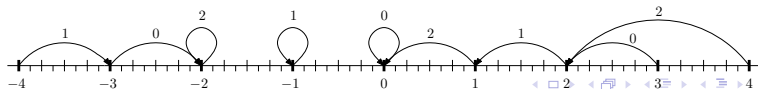
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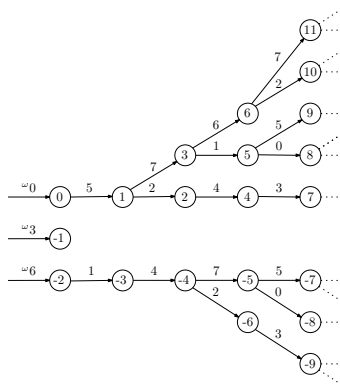
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$$F_0 = -B = -\left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{p-q} \right\rfloor, \quad F_{i+1} = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{q} F_i \right\rfloor$$



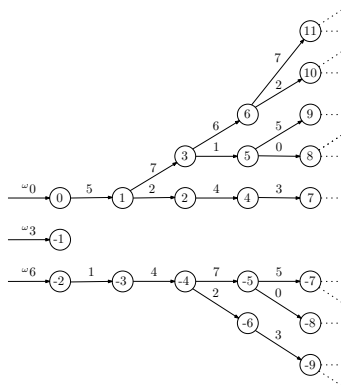
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The trees $\overline{T}_{\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}}$ and $T_{\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}}$ are isomorphic if and only if

$$\frac{p-1}{p-q} \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -expansions of negative integers – properties

- for $q = 1$ and p prime we get the standard p -adic representation,

$$\bar{L}_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}} = \{w \in \mathcal{A}_p^* \mid {}^\omega bw \text{ is } \frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}\text{-expansion of } s \leq -B, b \notin \text{Pref}(w)\}$$

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MD algorithm for rationals

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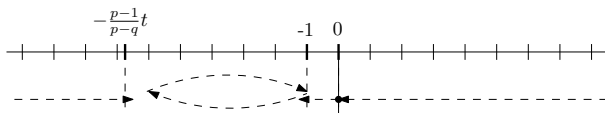
Examples

x	$\langle x \rangle_{\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}}$	$(s_i)_{i \geq 0}$	abs. values
$p = 3, q = 2$			
5	2101	5, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, ...	all
-5	${}^\omega 2012$	-5, -3, -2, -2, -2, ...	3
11/4	201	11, 6, 4, 0, 0, ...	all
11/8	${}^\omega 1222$	11, 2, -4, -8, -8, -8, ...	3
11/5	${}^\omega (02)2112$	11, 4, 1, -1, -4, -6, -4, -6, ...	3
$p = 30, q = 11$			
5	11 25	5, 1, 0, 0, ...	all
-5	${}^\omega 19 8 5$	-5, -2, -1, -1, ...	2, 3, 5
11/7	${}^\omega (12 21 5) 23 13$	11, 1, -5, -3, -6, -5, ...	2, 3, 5

MD algorithm – properties

For the sequence $(s_i)_{i \geq 1}$ from the MD algorithm we have:

- (i) if $s > 0$ and $t = 1$, $(s_i)_{i \geq 1}$ is eventually zero,
- (ii) if $s > 0$ and $t > 1$, $(s_i)_{i \geq 1}$ is either eventually zero or eventually negative,
- (iii) if $s < 0$, $(s_i)_{i \geq 1}$ is negative,
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Proposition

Let $x = \frac{s}{t} \in \mathbb{Q}$. Then $\langle x \rangle_{\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}}$ is eventually periodic with period less than $\frac{p-1}{p-q}t$.

$\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -representation of r -adic numbers

r, r_1, r_2, \dots prime numbers. p an integer > 1 .

Definition

A left infinite word $\dots a_{-k_0+1} a_{-k_0}$, $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$, over \mathcal{A}_p is a $\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -representation of $x \in \mathbb{Q}_r$ if $a_{-k_0} > 0$ or $k_0 = 0$ and

$$x = \sum_{i=-k_0}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{q} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^i$$

with respect to $|\cdot|_r$.

$$\text{Let } p = r_1^{j_1} r_2^{j_2} \cdots r_k^{j_k}.$$

Theorem

Let $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{r_i}$ for some $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$.

- (i) If $k = 1$ (i.e. p is a power of a prime), there exists a unique $\frac{1}{q}$ -representation of x in \mathbb{Q}_{r_1} .
- (ii) If $k > 1$, there exist uncountably many $\frac{1}{q}$ -representations of x in \mathbb{Q}_{r_i} .

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Let $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ and let $i_1, \dots, i_\ell \in \{1, \dots, k\}$, $\ell < k$, be distinct.

- (i) There exist uncountably many $\frac{1}{q}$ -representations which work in all fields $\mathbb{Q}_{r_{i_1}}, \dots, \mathbb{Q}_{r_{i_\ell}}$.
- (ii) There exists a unique $\frac{1}{q}$ -representation which works in all fields $\mathbb{Q}_{r_1}, \dots, \mathbb{Q}_{r_k}$; namely, the $\frac{1}{q}$ -expansion $\langle x \rangle_{\frac{1}{q}}$.
- (iii) The $\frac{1}{q}$ -expansion $\langle x \rangle_{\frac{1}{q}}$ is the only $\frac{1}{q}$ -representation which is eventually periodic.

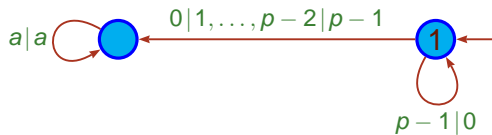
$$p = 30, q = 11$$

The following are aperiodic $\frac{1}{q}$ -representations of 1 in both fields \mathbb{Q}_2 and \mathbb{Q}_3 :

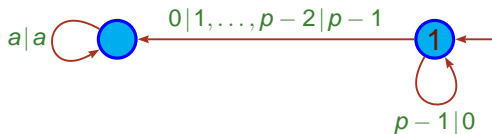
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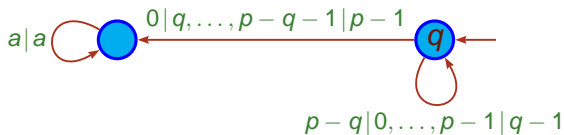
p -odometer



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$\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$ -odometer



Conversion from p -expansions to $\frac{1}{q}$ -expansions

Right on-line denumerable transducer:

$z_0 = 0, i = 0$ and, for $i \geq 0$

$$(z_i, i) \xrightarrow{a|b} (z_{i+1}, i+1),$$

with $a, b \in \mathcal{A}_p$ such that

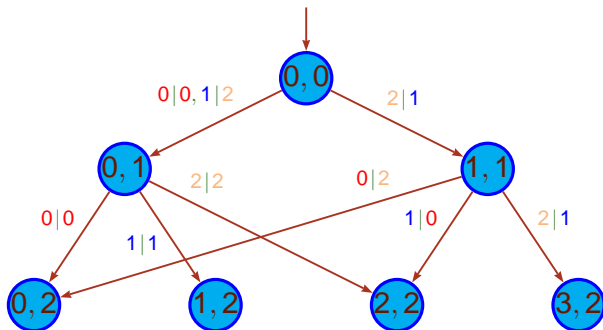
$$aq^i + z_i = \frac{b}{q} + \frac{p}{q}z_{i+1}.$$

Input: $\dots a_1 a_0 \in \mathbb{N}\mathcal{A}_p$ such that $x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i p^i \in \mathbb{Z}_r$ with r prime factor of p

Output: $\dots b_1 b_0 \in \mathbb{N}\mathcal{A}_p$ such that $x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_i}{q} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^i$.

The converter **cannot be finite**.

Base 3 to $\frac{1}{2}$ -system convertor



On ${}^{\mathbb{N}}\mathcal{A}_p$ define a distance δ :

for $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in {}^{\mathbb{N}}\mathcal{A}_p$, $\delta(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = 2^{-i}$ with $i = \min\{j \in \mathbb{N} \mid a_j \neq b_j\}$.

Proposition

The conversion from p-expansions to $\frac{1}{q}p$ -expansions

$$\begin{aligned} \chi : {}^{\mathbb{N}}\mathcal{A}_p &\rightarrow {}^{\mathbb{N}}\mathcal{A}_p \\ \mathbf{a} &\mapsto \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

such that $x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i p^i = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_i}{q} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^i \in \mathbb{Z}_r$ realized by the converter is Lipschitz, and thus uniformly continuous for the δ -topology.

Remark: the inverse conversion is also realizable by a right on-line transducer.

Corollary

The digits in a $\frac{1}{q}p$ -expansion are uniformly distributed.

$\frac{p}{q}$ -representations

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Put $s_0 = s$ and for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ define s_{i+1} and $a_i \in \mathcal{A}_p$ by

$$q \frac{s_i}{t} = p \frac{s_{i+1}}{t} + q a_i.$$

Return the $\frac{p}{q}$ -expansion of x : $\langle x \rangle_{\frac{p}{q}} = \cdots a_2 a_1 a_0$.

$$s = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^i$$

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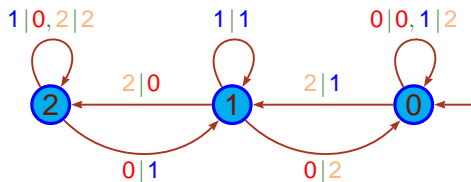
There exists a finite right sequential transducer \mathcal{C} converting the $\frac{p}{q}$ -representation of any $x \in \mathbb{Z}_r$, r prime factor of p , to its $\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}$ -representation; the inverse of \mathcal{C} is also a finite right sequential transducer.

There is a one-to-one mapping between the sets of all $\frac{p}{q}$ - and $\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}$ -representations of elements of \mathbb{Z}_r which preserves eventual periodicity.

One can say that the $\frac{p}{q}$ - and $\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}$ - numeration systems are **isomorphic**.

Right sequential transducer from $\frac{p}{q}$ to $\frac{1}{q} \frac{p}{q}$

$$p = 3, q = 2$$



Negative rational base

One can also define representations of the form

$$\sum \frac{a_i}{q} \left(-\frac{p}{q}\right)^i, \quad \text{and} \quad \sum a_i \left(-\frac{p}{q}\right)^i$$

with $a_i \in \mathcal{A}_p$, by modifying the MD and MDbis algorithms by

$$q \frac{s_i}{t} = -p \frac{s_{i+1}}{t} + a_i$$

and

$$q \frac{s_i}{t} = -p \frac{s_{i+1}}{t} + qa_i$$

Negative rational base

Definition (Kátai and Szabó 1975)

A **Canonical Number System** is a positional numeration system in which every integer (positive or negative) has a unique finite expansion of the form $a_n \cdots a_0$.

Proposition

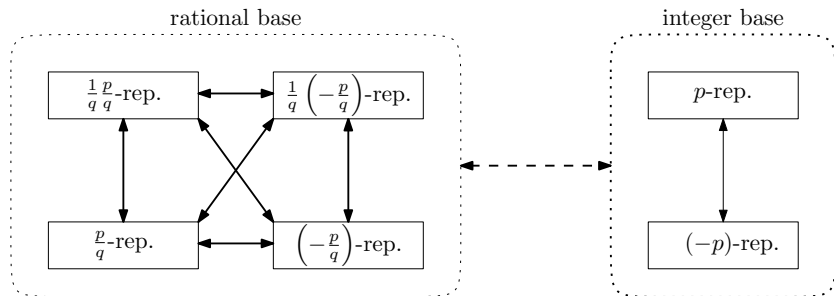
The $\frac{1}{q}(-\frac{p}{q})$ - and the $(-\frac{p}{q})$ - numeration systems are CNS.

The $(-\frac{p}{q})$ - numeration system has been previously considered by Gilbert (1991).

Conversions

Theorem

The conversion from the $\frac{1}{q}\frac{p}{q}$ (resp. the $\frac{p}{q}$) -representation of any $x \in \mathbb{Z}_r$, r prime factor of p , to its $\frac{1}{q}(-\frac{p}{q})$ (resp. its $(-\frac{p}{q})$) representation is realizable by a finite right sequential transducer ; the inverse conversion as well.



↔ finite conversion by finite sequential transducer

↔ infinite conversion by on-line algorithm