

# Analysis of Parameters of Multi-Base Representations of an Integer

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## Questions

How many representations  
does a number have?

How do these representations behave?

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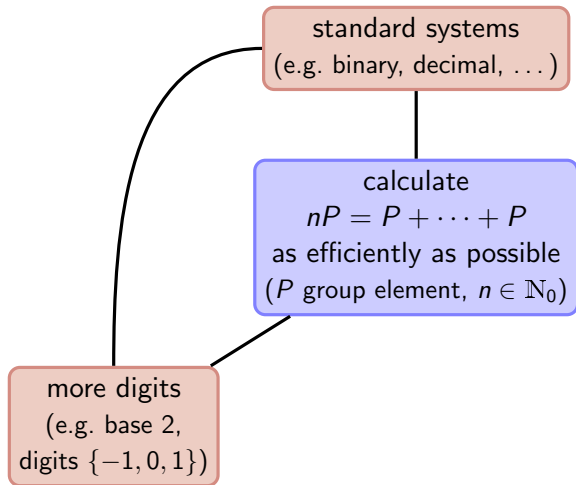
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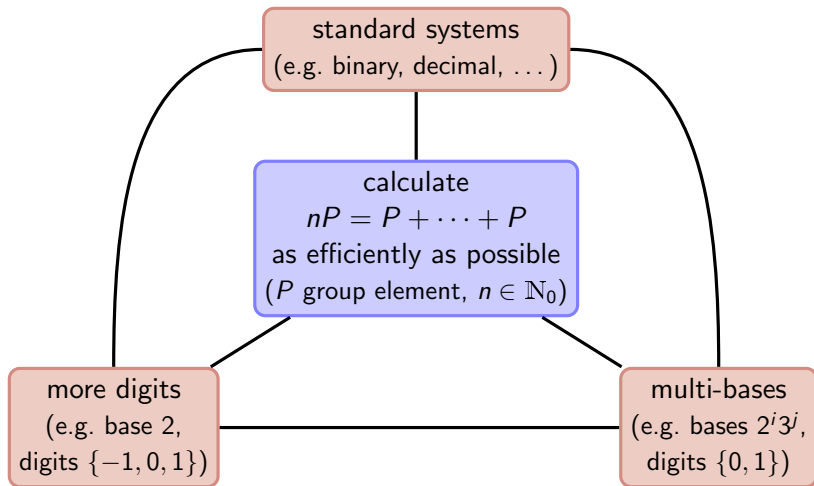
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- $\rightsquigarrow$  asymptotic formula
- generalization to 2– $p$ -expansions

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- *fix bases  $p_1, \dots, p_m$  ( $m \geq 2$ )*
- *fix digit set  $\{0, \dots, d - 1\}$*
- *number of multi-base representations  $P_n$  of  $n$*

$$\begin{aligned}\log P_n &= \kappa(\log n)^m \\ &+ C_1(\log n)^{m-1} \log \log n \\ &+ C_2(\log n)^{m-1} \\ &+ O((\log n)^{m-2} \log \log n)\end{aligned}$$

- *with*

$$\kappa = \frac{\log d}{m!} \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\log p_i}$$



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- asymptotic normal distribution of
  - sum of digits

$$\mu \sim \frac{\kappa(d-1)}{2 \log d} (\log n)^m$$

$$\sigma^2 \sim \frac{\kappa(d-1)(d+1)}{12 \log d} (\log n)^m$$

- Hamming weight

$$\mu \sim \frac{\kappa(d-1)}{d \log d} (\log n)^m$$

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- occurrence of a fixed digit

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- encode parameter:  $F(z, u)$

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- verify asymptotic behavior of moments
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