

Interval-Division Numeral Systems (Supplement)

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Abstract

A companion to Interval-Division Numeral Systems. A working out of all remarks, corollaries, and exercises for the reader.

(If you notice any errors, please let me know. Thanks.)

Remark 1.1

$$\phi(\{a_n\}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \phi_k(\{a_n\}) \quad (1)$$

for every $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$.

Proof

$$\phi(\{a_n\}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \phi_k(\{a_n\})$$

Remark 1.2

$$\phi_{k+1}(\{a_n\}) \geq \phi_k(\{a_n\}) \quad (2)$$

for every $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ and every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{k+1}(\{a_n\}) &= \sum_{n=1}^{k+1} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} + \frac{a_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} \\ &= \phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{a_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} &\geq 0, \\ \phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{a_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} &\geq \phi_k(\{a_n\}), \\ \phi_{k+1}(\{a_n\}) &\geq \phi_k(\{a_n\}). \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 1.4

It follows from Lemma 1.3 that

$$\phi_k(\{a_n\}) < 1 \quad (3)$$

for every $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ and every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Proof

Let $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$

Suppose $k = 0$.

Then $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) = 0 < 1$.

Suppose $k > 0$.

Then by Lemma 1.3, $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) < \phi_0(\{a_n\}) + \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^0 b_m} = 0 + 1 = 1$.

So $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) < 1$ for every $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ and every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Remark 1.5

$$\phi_k(\{a_n\}) \geq 0 \tag{4}$$

for every $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ and every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Proof

By definition, $a_i \geq 0$ and $b_i > 0$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

So $\prod_{m=1}^n b_m > 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

So $\frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \geq 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

So $\sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \geq 0$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Or $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) \geq 0$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Suppose $k = 0$.

Then $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) = 0$.

So $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) \geq 0$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Remark 2.1

$\{a_n\}$ is terminating if and only if there exists some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\phi(\{a_n\}) = \phi_k(\{a_n\})$.

Proof

Let $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$, $\{b_n\} = \beta(\{a_n\})$.

Suppose $\{a_n\}$ is terminating.

Then there exists some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $a_n = 0$ for every $n > k$. So

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(\{a_n\}) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} + \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{0}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &= \phi_k(\{a_n\}).\end{aligned}$$

Suppose $\{a_n\}$ is non-terminating.

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $\{a_n\}$ is non-terminating, there exists some $k' > k$ such that $a_{k'} \neq 0$.

So $\frac{a_{k'}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k'} b_m} > 0$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_k(\{a_n\}) &= \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &< \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} + \frac{a_{k'}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k'} b_m} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{k'} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m} \\ &= \phi(\{a_n\}).\end{aligned}$$

So $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) \neq \phi(\{a_n\})$.

Corollary 2.2

It follows from Lemma 1.3 that

$$\phi(\{a_n\}) \leq \phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} \quad (5)$$

for every $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ and every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$, where $\{b_n\} = \beta(\{a_n\})$.

Proof

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

By Lemma 1.3, $\phi_{k'}(\{a_n\}) < \phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}$ for every $k' > k$.

So it follows from Remark 1.2 that $\phi_{k'}(\{a_n\}) < \phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}$ for every $k' \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}$ is an upper bound for the set of all $\phi_{k'}(\{a_n\})$ such that $k' \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

By Monotone Convergence Theorem, $\phi(\{a_n\})$ is the least upper bound of the set of all $\phi_{k'}(\{a_n\})$ such that $k' \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So $\phi(\{a_n\}) \leq \phi_k(\{a_n\}) + \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}$.

Lemma 3.1.a

It is trivial to show that $x_{k+1} \in [0, 1)$

Proof

Suppose $x_{k+1} < 0$.

Then $b_k x_k - a_k < 0$

So $x_k < \frac{a_k}{b_k}$.

But by our choice of a_k , $x_k \geq \frac{a_k}{b_k}$. This is a contradiction.

So $x_{k+1} \geq 0$.

Suppose $x_{k+1} \geq 1$.

Then $b_k x_k - a_k \geq 1$.

So $x_k \geq \frac{a_k + 1}{b_k}$.

But $a_k + 1 > a_k$, and $a_k + 1 \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So $a_k \neq \max \{a \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \frac{a}{b_k} \leq x_k\}$. This is a contradiction.

Therefore, $x_{k+1} < 1$.

So $x_{k+1} \in [0, 1)$.

Lemma 3.1.b

$\phi(\alpha_T(x)) = x$

Proof

Case k = 1

By definition, $x_1 = x$.

So by definition, $x_2 = b_1 x - a_1$.

Therefore, $\frac{x_2}{b_1} = x - \frac{a_1}{b_1}$.

Inductive Step

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Suppose $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

By definition $x_{k+2} = b_{k+1} x_{k+1} - a_{k+1}$.

So $x_{k+1} = \frac{x_{k+2} + a_{k+1}}{b_{k+1}}$.

So $\frac{x_{k+2}+a_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.
Therefore $\frac{x_{k+2}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^{k+1} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

Induction

By induction, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

In other words, $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \phi_k(\alpha_T(x))$.

Since $x_{k+1} \in [0, 1)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{0}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} \leq \frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} < \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}.$$

By Axiom 5, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists an $n > k$ such that $b_n > 1$.

So $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = 0$.

So by Squeeze Theorem, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = 0$.

Therefore, $0 = x - \phi(\alpha_T(x))$,

So $\phi(\alpha_T(x)) = x$.

Lemma 3.2.a

It is trivial to show that $x_{k+1} \in (0, 1]$.

Proof

Suppose $x_{k+1} \leq 0$.

Then $b_k x_k - a_k \leq 0$

So $x_k \leq \frac{a_k}{b_k}$.

But by our choice of a_k , $x_k > \frac{a_k}{b_k}$. This is a contradiction.

So $x_{k+1} > 0$.

Suppose $x_{k+1} > 1$.

Then $b_k x_k - a_k > 1$.

So $x_k > \frac{a_k+1}{b_k}$.

But $a_k + 1 > a_k$, and $a_k + 1 \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So $a_k \neq \max \{a \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid \frac{a}{b_k} < x_k\}$. This is a contradiction.

Therefore, $x_{k+1} \leq 1$.

So $x_{k+1} \in (0, 1]$.

Lemma 3.2.b

$\phi(\alpha_N(x)) = x$

Proof

Case $k = 1$

By definition, $x_1 = x$.

So by definition, $x_2 = b_1x - a_1$.

Therefore, $\frac{x_2}{b_1} = x - \frac{a_1}{b_1}$.

Inductive Step

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Suppose $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

By definition $x_{k+2} = b_{k+1}x_{k+1} - a_{k+1}$.

So $x_{k+1} = \frac{x_{k+2} + a_{k+1}}{b_{k+1}}$.

So $\frac{x_{k+2} + a_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

Therefore $\frac{x_{k+2}}{\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^{k+1} \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

Induction

By induction, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{a_n}{\prod_{m=1}^n b_m}$.

In other words, $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \phi_k(\alpha_N(x))$.

Since $x_{k+1} \in (0, 1]$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{0}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} < \frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} \leq \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}.$$

By Axiom 5, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists an $n > k$ such that $b_n > 1$.

So $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = 0$.

So by Squeeze Theorem, $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = 0$.

Therefore, $0 = x - \phi(\alpha_N(x))$,

So $\phi(\alpha_N(x)) = x$.

Remark 3.3.a

$\alpha_N(x)$ is always non-terminating.

Proof

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

By the proof of Lemma 3.2.b, $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} = x - \phi_k(\alpha_N(x))$.

And $x_{k+1} \in (0, 1]$.

So $x_{k+1} > 0$,

So $\frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m} > 0$

So $x - \phi_k(\alpha_N(x)) > 0$.

Therefore, $\phi_k(\alpha_N(x)) \neq x = \phi(\alpha_N(x))$.
 So by Remark 2.1, $\alpha_N(x)$ is non-terminating.

Remark 3.3.b

$\alpha_T(x)$ is terminating if and only if there is some terminating $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\phi(\{a_n\}) = x$.

Proof

Suppose that there is no terminating $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\phi(\{a_n\}) = x$.

If $\alpha_T(x) \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\phi(\alpha_T(x)) = x$.

So $\alpha_T(x)$ cannot be terminating.

Suppose that there exists some terminating $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\phi(\{a_n\}) = x$.

Assume $x = 1$.

Then by Corollary 1.4, $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) < x$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So $\{a_n\}$ is non-terminating, and, by contradiction, $x \neq 1$.

Therefore, $x \in [0, 1)$.

So by Lemma 3.1, $\alpha_T(x) \in \mathcal{A}$.

Assume $\alpha_T(x) \neq \{a_n\}$

Let $\{b_n\} = \beta(\{a_n\})$.

Then by Lemma 2.4, there exists some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x - \phi_k(\alpha_T(x)) = \frac{1}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}$.

But by the proof of Lemma 3.1.b, there exists some $x_{k+1} \in [0, 1)$ such that $x - \phi_k(\alpha_T(x)) = \frac{x_{k+1}}{\prod_{m=1}^k b_m}$.

So $x_{k+1} = 1 \notin [0, 1)$. (Contradiction.)

Therefore $\alpha_T(x) = \{a_n\}$.

So $\alpha_T(x)$ is terminating.

Corollary 3.4

As a consequence of Theorem 2 and Remark 3.3, $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$ if and only if $\{a_n\} = \alpha_T(x)$ or $\{a_n\} = \alpha_N(x)$ for some $x \in [0, 1]$.

Proof

Suppose $\{a_n\} = \alpha_T(x)$ or $\{a_n\} = \alpha_N(x)$ for some $x \in [0, 1]$.

Then by Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$.

Suppose $\{a_n\} \in \mathcal{A}$.

Then $\phi(\{a_n\}) = x$ for some $x \in [0, 1]$.

Suppose $x = 1$.

Then by Corollary 1.4, $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) < x$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

So by Remark 2.1, $\{a_n\}$ is non-terminating.
 By Lemma 3.2, $\alpha_N(x) \in \mathcal{A}$.
 By Remark 3.3, $\alpha_N(x)$ is non-terminating.
 So by Lemma 2.5, $\{a_n\} = \alpha_N(x)$.

Suppose $x = 0$
 Then by Remark 1.5, $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) \geq x$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.
 And by Monotone Convergence Theorem, $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) \leq x$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.
 So $\phi_k(\{a_n\}) = x$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.
 So by Remark 3.2, $\{a_n\}$ is terminating.
 By Lemma 3.1, $\alpha_T(x) \in \mathcal{A}$.
 By Remark 3.3, since $\{a_n\}$ is terminating, $\alpha_T(x)$ is terminating.
 So by Lemma 2.5, $\{a_n\} = \alpha_T(x)$.

Suppose $x \in (0, 1)$.
 Then by Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, $\alpha_T(x), \alpha_N(x) \in \mathcal{A}$.
 Suppose $\{a_n\}$ is terminating.
 Then by Remark 3.3, since $\{a_n\}$ is terminating, $\alpha_T(x)$ is terminating.
 So by Lemma 2.5, $\{a_n\} = \alpha_T(x)$.
 Suppose $\{a_n\}$ is non-terminating.
 By Remark 3.3, $\alpha_N(x)$ is non-terminating.
 So by Lemma 2.5, $\{a_n\} = \alpha_N(x)$.