### COUNTING IN DOZENS

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Our common number system is decimal - based on ten. The dozen system uses twelve as the base, which is written 10, and is called do, for dozen. The quantity one gross is written 100, and is called gro. 1000 is called mo, representing the meg-gross, or great-gross.

In our customary counting, the places in our numbers represent successive powers of ten; that is, in 365, the 5 applies to units, the 6 applies to tens, and the 3 applies to tens-of-tens, or hundreds. Place value is even more important in dozenal counting. For example, 266 represents 5 units, 6 dozen, and 2 dozen-dozen, or gross. This number would be called 2 gro 6 do 5, and by a coincidence, represents the same quantity normally expressed as 365.

Place value is the whole key to dozenal arithmetic. Observe the following additions, remembering that we add up to a dozen before carrying one.

94	136	Five ft. nine in.	5.9
31	694	Three ft, two in.	3.2
96	3£2	Two ft. eight in.	2.8
$\overline{19\Sigma}$	1000	Eleven ft. seven in.	2.7

You will not have to learn the dozenal multiplication tables since you already know the 12-times table. Mentally convert the quantities into dozens, and set them down. For example, 7 times 9 is 63, which is 5 dozen and 3; so set down 53. Using this "which is" step, you will be able to multiply and divide dozenal numbers without referring to the dozenal multiplication table.

Conversion of small quantities is obvious. By simple inspection, if you are 35 years old, dozenally you are only  $2\mathcal{E}$ , which is two dozen and eleven. For larger numbers, the providing by 12, and the successive remainders are the desired dozenal numbers.

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Dozenal numbers may be converted to decimal numbers by setting down the units figure, adding to it 12 times the second figure, plus  $12^2$  (or 144) times the third figure, plus  $12^3$  (or 1728) times the fourth figure, and so on as far as needed. Or, to use a method corresponding to the illustration, keep dividing by  $\chi$ , and the successive remainders are the desired decimal number.

Fractions may be similarly converted by using successive multiplications, instead of divisions, by 12 or  $\pmb{\mathcal{X}}$ .

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All figures in italics are duodecimal.

#### THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Duodecimal Society of America was held at the Gramercy Park Hotel, New York City, on Thursday, 21 January 1954. President Beard called the meeting to order at 2030 EST., and advised that it had been thought advisable this year to restrict the meeting to the membership only, in order that there might be open discussion of the plans and prospects of the Society.

Our work in familiarizing the public with the use and application of the duodecimal base continues at about its usual pace. There has been only one issue of the Duodecimal Bulletin, but we have distributed, in addition, about 1800 sets of our literature. Among these were bulk orders for the annual convention of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics at Detroit, and for the convention of their Florida Council.

In continuation of his work with the encyclopedias, Mr. Andrews arranged for an article on duodecimals for the Encyclopedia Americana, and received expressions of interest in similar material for future revisions of the Encyclopedia Britannica and the Columbia Encyclopedia.

Three new members have been enrolled, but, since we have lost touch with one or two, the membership stands at 75. Some 400 names have been dropped from our mailing list, through a check by return postcard, and the list now includes about 1000 names.

The U.S. Department of Education is listing Mr. Andrews' "An Excursion in Numbers," in its catalog of available aids to education, and a similar listing by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics has been approved.

Treasurer Humphrey presented a very satisfactory report of the Society's financial condition. Increased mailing costs for the year were offset by there being only one issue of The Bulletin. Receipts were \$1325.80, of which \$301.16 was from initiation fees and dues, and contributions amounted to \$1024.64. Expenses of \$1430.30 exceeded receipts by \$104.50. The cash account was replenished by the sale of a bond from the Endowment Fund, (which now amounts to \$3000) and the balance carried forward is \$1062.48.

In expressing its thanks to Mr. Humphrey for his fine report the Society recorded its deep gratitude to those generous members who make our work possible.

Mr. Stevens reporting for the Nominating Committee, recommended that

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F. Fmerson Andrews William Shaw Crosby and Louis Paul d'Autremont

of the Class of 1954 of the Board of Directors be re-elected as the Class of 1957, and that the Nominating Committee be continued for another year without change. These elections were carried.

Mr. Beard announced that the Board of Directors had, that afternoon, re-elected the same staff of officers for the ensuing year.

Kingsland Camp displayed his new planisphere, finished in fine, heavy plastic and arranged for use in any latitude, with the constellations and those stars brighter than the 5th magnitude set forth with beautiful clarity. These are now available at \$10. each.

· Edward Pharo offered to arrange for the translation of An Excursion in Numbers into Esperanto, as he believes that those interested in this universal language would also be interested in the base best suited for universal use in numbers and measures.

With the serving of refreshments, the meeting dissolved into the warm discussion and interchange of ideas that is so much enjoyed.

## ORIGIN OF THE FOOT AND INCH by Warren H. Chapin

The language of most peoples contains a distinctive word for twenty, such as our score, and also special words for "half" and "quarter", which are aliquot parts of twenty, as if in prehistoric times when language was being formed, these were specially important numbers and fractions.

The first measure of length in history was the cubit, nominally the length of the forearm, from elbow to end of middle finger, but since this length would vary even among adult men, the Egyptians standardized their "Royal Cubit" at 20.62 of our inches, as shown most accurately in the Great Pyramid (Ency. Brit. Ancient Measures).

A nation of individuals, most of whom had no rules or pencils, or pockets to keep them in, could carry this standard around with them by checking in the marketplace, how many fingerbreadths to add to a certain fingertip to equal this standard.

In my case it takes four fingerbreadths added to length from elbow to tip of forefinger to equal above cubit, although my forearm is shorter than average. By laying four fingers down to start, butting elbow against them, I can measure off a length of 123¾" (6 cubits) with an error of less than ¼". Probably with everyday use many would become quite proficient at this.

Probably the above cubit was first dubdivided into twenty parts, each equaling 1.03 of our inches.

Later it was found that 12 of these inches made a convenient unit of length, which was widely spread over Europe and the Middle East, by travel and trade, as far away as Stonehenge, and was used in mediaeval England.

Since the Babylonian cubit was in general longer than the cubit of the Great Pyramid, the foot first transmitted by them throughout Europe by the Phoenician navigators, was longer than 12/20 of 20.62.

I was also interested in what the Mayas used for a cubit or foot. The only reference I can find is in these articles discussing the 20.62 cubit, which states that this same cubit of 20.68 appears in stone buildings of New Mexico. Did the ancient Mayas, Aztecs and Cliff Dwellers of America independently arrive at practically the same primary unit of length?

About the same time, and also of Egyptian or Babylonian origin, was a unit based on 1/2 of the diagonal of the above inch called the digit. The ancient Greeks used 16 of these digits to make

their foot of 11.66" as used in the Parthenon. This, when transmitted to Rome and subdivided into 12 parts, became the Roman foot of 12 unciae or inches, and was widely spread by them to England, etc.

Apparently the Greeks, and from them the Romans, selected the cubit of the Great Pyramid of 20.62 of our inches as the starting point to calculate their standards of length, because of the accuracy, durability and uniqueness of its construction.

The Greeks, using a system of halving and doubling or duplation in their arithmetic, preferred a foot subdivided into 16 parts or digits, a digit being 1/40 of the diagonal of the 20.62 cubit (.729"), the later Greek foot of the Parthenon being 16 of these digits or 11.66 of our inches.

This same foot of 11.66 was taken to Rome and finally divided duodecimally, and appears in old tables of Latin and Scandinavian countries.

If one takes the average of the two above standard feet, a surprisingly close value is obtained for the present English foot, thus:

12.37 = 12/20 of 20.62" cubit.

11.66 = 16/40 of diagonal of 20.62" cubit.

Average 12.01"= present English foot very nearly.

Our ancesters, as if to avoid the inconvenience of having two different lengths of feet, averaged them to a single standard.

How did these standards get to England with their close theoretical relation to the 20.62 cubit? I conjecture that Boethius, called by some the last learned Roman, who wrote a treatise of elementary arithmetic widely used as a text in the Middle Ages, might have known the origin of the different feet in use in the various Roman provinces, and suggested the compromise which resulted in the present English foot. 1,2,3

English or Saxon measures Drusus or Belgic measures

12 inches 1 foot
36 inches 1 yard
5½ yards 1 rod
20 inches 1 cubit
40 inches 1 ell or double cubit
10 cubits 1 rod
1/3 ell 1 Belgit foot

Since the time of the Sumerians, land has been measured in units of 10 cubits or 1 rod.

Drusus, Roman conqueror of what is now Belgium and Holland, could not get the natives to adopt the Roman measure for land. They preferred a system based on the above table, on which our land measures are based, with slight modification.

Alfred the Great studied in Rome for several years. Later, he, himself, translated into Saxon some of the works of Boethius. 1,2,3

King Edgar (Alfred's great-grandson) decreed that the measures at Winchester (Saxon capital) should be the standard.<sup>3</sup>

In the time of William the Conqueror, these Saxon standards were taken unchanged to Westminster.<sup>3</sup>

The length of the English foot has not changed appreciably in several centuries.  $^{\rm l}$ 

If the above is substantially correct, it shows how tenaciously the human race has clung to the inch throughout history; for the reason, I think, that the size of the inch is such that when working on any single piece of material by unaided eyesight, the bulk of all problems both in multiples and fractions comes within the multiplication and addition tables.

From this standpoint the centimeter (Metric barleycorn) is just right for a race of midgets with correspondingly finer eyesight.

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#### THE CONVERSION OF ENIAC PI by Ralph H. Beard

The computation of Pi to 2035 decimal places, and the computation of e to 2500 decimal places on the ENIAC at Aberdeen has been reported in M.T.A.C., v. 4, no 29, Jan. 1950. A review of that report was published in the Duodecimal Bulletin, v. 6, n. 2, Aug. 1950.

In examining the value published in the report, we were excited to discover that the decimal very nearly terminated at the 761st place. The figures for places 761 to 770 are as follows:

and the rounding of Pi as 5 in the 761st place gives an excellent value. But we became increasingly curious as to whether any similar phenomenon would occur in the duodecimal value.

We were appalled by the prospect of the labor involved in converting 761 places of decimals to duodecimals, but our curiosity would not allow us any peace. And the mechanics of the job started to become interesting. We have a 10-bank decimal Friden computer, and a test run was made on the conversion of 78 places, using blocks of 9 figures and a constant multiplier of 129. An awkward overlapping developed in the 19th figure of the products, but it was found that a constant multiplier of 128 would yield 18-figure products without overlap. It also became clear that to eliminate error it would be necessary to perform each step of the conversion twice and carefully compare the two separate results. In completing the multiplication of each step, 9 decimal figures would be extruded, and these had to be manually converted to 8 duodecimal figures by successive division by 12.

Upon the completion of the conversion of the rounded value of  $\pi$  for 535(761) places, the results were forwarded to George S. Terry for review. Mr. Terry commented that though the error in rounding was remarkably small, the conversion process for so many places would magnify it surprisingly. His clear exposition showed that rounding the 761st place to 5 involved an error of  $.0^7$  163 (or  $.000\ 000\ 016\ 3$ ) in that place, which was an error or  $.0^{767}$  163 in the first place. This minute error, multiplied by twelve 761 times, (that is, by  $12^{761}$ ) would produce 55 more whole number places than zeros in the product.

Consequently, it was decided to extend the conversion sufficiently to drive 535(761) good places. This required an extension to 609(873) terms for a reason peculiar to the plan of work used.

With 12<sup>8</sup> as the constant multiplier, there was an extrusion of 8 duodecimal figures at each step. But, since 9 figures were put into the Friden at each multiplication, the terminal cut-back consisted of 9 figures at each step. While this had the disadvantage of added work, it was more than offset by the increased dependability of the results, as being definitely free from possible modification by further terms.

The practice of doing the multiplication of an entire line of figures, then repeating the work again on separate work-sheets, and carefully comparing the two results, seems to be reliable. The supplemental results for the extended computation were carried through an overlap of 9 to 36 figures of the original work for reliable blending, - without the discovery of any error.

The completed conversion now includes 546(774) good places, and it seems reasonably safe to publish the results for 540(768) places, not as the conversion of a rounded figure, - but as the conversion of 768 places of the Eniac Pi.

It might be well to state that these conversion figures, while deemed reliable, cannot be regarded as positively accurate until both the Eniac computation, and this conversion of those decimal figures, have been confirmed by an independent repetition of this work. Our results follow.

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While we were in the swing of the conversion process, it was easy to do a brief conversion of Eniac e. So we added a run of 139(189) decimal places, which yielded a conversion of 120(168) good duodecimal places, as follows:

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While nothing developed in either of these conversions that was as exciting as the 761st decimal place of Pi, we did find good usable abbreviations of Pi at places 4, 20, and 99, and for e at places 6,  $18\ 3\%$ , and 62.

# SO YOU WANT TO REFORM WEIGHTS AND MEASURES by Paul Adams

Early essayists used to begin their endeavors by directing them to the "Gentle Reader". We may suppose that the writer in those days had some excuse for imagining that some real counterpart of the "gentle reader" existed to receive his efforts. At no time in history, however, could a writer on the subject of weights and measures reform have nourished a sustained belief in such an unreal audience. He would be far closer to the truth if he headed his work as being for the benefits of "Fellow Fanatics" or "Brother Bigots". Such an opening, apart from being more honest, would make the inevitable hail of brickbats and invectives come as less of a surprise to the perhaps well-intentioned author, and it might also serve to put the usually defenseless reader on his guard.

One of the striking aspects of the literature of weights and measures is the authoritarian vein in which it is almost all conceived and written. At first, one is inclined to believe that this is a field in which the amateur has no proper place, and it is only later, if one carries one's interest this far, that one begins to suspect that it is a field that only amateurs dare to enter. It might not even be too extreme to suggest that the complex nature of the subject is not likely to allow for any experts at all.

Before concluding my introductory remarks, it would indeed be in keeping with the spirit of the times to confess to past bigotry and biasedness about my subject -- but -- I have now seen the light and become a chastened and reformed character.

In the case of the sophisticated reader who doubts that the admission of sin can really be of much saving grace in such a subject, I can only console him with the further admission that I am with him all the way.

The original intention of this article was to illuminate some of the hidden hazards that almost invariably trap the unwary in their approach to metrological reform. Being trapped in this kind of sin doesn't seem bad at all to the sinner for he has plenty of company even if he doesn't agree with any of it. The worst that can happen to him is that in an after-life, he is compelled to live in a purgatory where each sinner must use his own system of weights and measures, Hell being reserved for those whose basic standards are to each other as infinitely repeating decimals... I make this theological point in hopes of striking terror into the hearts of those for whom there is still some hope.

One of the questions which always seem to plague the layman when he happens to stumble upon some reform or other is "Why?" It is a serious mistake for the enthusiastic reformer to enter into technicalities. The layman, while he might disclain the relationship, has a strong kinship with the metaphysician. He requires an answer that uplifts the soul and does away with his curiosity. In a pinch one can do away with the bit about "uplifting" but by no means leave our layman with any trace of curiosity. He would find this failure on our part unforgivable and hasten to consult other more weighty oracles. (I beg your pardon!)

The solution to this dilemma is to give our layman a demonstration of the perfection that our reform achieves in giving the exact number of angels that can dance on the head of a pin as the perfect square of our basic linear unit. The consideration of the "why" of our reform is the beginning of salvation for the weights and measures sinner. This ordinarily requires considerable time.

Now time measure is silly in its very conception if we don't find a fundamental relation between events that concern human beings. This problem may be stated in a nutshell as finding the common need of a husband figuring out how long his wife will take in getting ready to go out and an atomic physicist in predicting the birth of twin neutrons. A unit of time measure based on this common need will give a least common multiple of history, allowing us to figure exactly, modified by  $\pi$ , of course, the time that must elapse between the Battle of Marathon and the very last world war fought by man. So much for time!

The nomenclature we are to use is a problem of real seriousness. Two schools of thought exist. There is the classic school which believes in returning to ancient languages for our unit names and relations, and the modern school which is sub-divided into advocates of slang and of theoretical phonetics. Fundamental to all schools, however, are monotonousness, lack of intelligibility and slavish conformity.

Favorers of weights and measures change must not neglect the legal aspects of their problem. No method to advance your cause from this angle should be overlooked. Hardest to accomplish is getting fellow exponents of your metrology into key positions in the legislative branches of government, or better still, into some governmental branch dealing directly with existing standards. Once in one of these vital spots, a judicious interpretation of legal terminology or an ingenious twist to a definition will gradually permit you to add to the already unpopular inefficiencies of the existing system. When you begin to detect signs of social unrest, you are then in an incomparable position of advantage from which to present your own reform.

Another legal goal for which we may strive is the compulsory use by a country of our weights and measures. "Compulsion". This is indeed a magic word and by saying it aloud to oneself, yoga fashion, visions of "unity" arise before one. After all, you say, only ignorance and apathy keep the people from adopting the improvements we propose. What then is more logical than to promote excellence by making the use of inferior measures both expensive and painful. Jail is really too good for the wretches who resist improvement.

Of course, as virtue is not always immediately recognized, we many find ourselves persecuted by some unscrupulous group of self-seekers who are using this method to gain arbitrary power. Should this situation develop, one must go immediately underground and keep the fire of freedom burning by smuggling in forbidden standards and ratios to be used even under the tyrant's eye. These contraband units, being smuggled in duty-free, are sold at a fancy profit. These profits, invested wisely, provide a comfortable stake for use on liberation day.

It is obvious that the weights and measures reformer lives essentially for the realization of three high purposes: 1. Unity 2. Naturalness and 3. Conformity to Number.

The ideal of Unity implies that one system of measures must surplant all other systems throughout the world. This awesome spectacle of everyone from Hottentots to Esquimaux using one set of measures is marred even in theory by the small detail that there is more than one reformer set upon realizing this aim. It is not hard to imagine, however, the force this high motive lends to the zeal of our lovers of efficiency, and we should not be surprised by the utter disregard of fact and the unethical behavior this noble vision excuses.

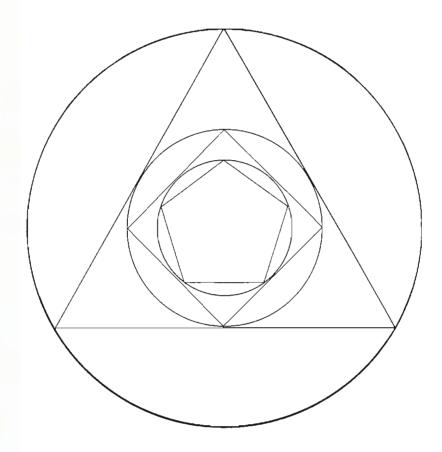
Aim Number Two deals with the setting up of physical standards based upon natural phenomena so that these standards can be reproduced or verified with accuracy and precision. It is here that the mystic, scientist, engineer, and business man meet in a melting-pot of chaotic values. In their midst may be heard proposals for taking the cube root of the diameter of the neutrino as the standard for all linear measures, as well as for taking a division of the cubit used in the Great Pyramid, provided it is corrected by a constant of divine origin. Over all may be heard, in rare moments of practical wisdom, the stolid "Nays" of work horses and their owners who are against all proposals with a remarkable lack of favoritism.

The loftiness of the third aim was and still is beyond dispute. Measures must be related to each other in the ratios of the number base. This conception of a great ideal was a marked step forward in man's fight against confusion and inefficiency. Here,

at last, was a point upon which exponents of 2, 8, 10, 12, 16, 60 and even 420 base number systems could agree. Death to confusion!

It is with these three axiomatic ideals that the novice in the field of metrological improvement must concern himself. Using these trinary principles to guide one's efforts towards reform and to avoid sin is an a priori must for the St. George with his yardstick lance in his struggle with matter.

It has been suggested that only scientific study of the world in which we live determines our weights and measures, but I favor writing our all embracing ideals on the back of a postage stamp. This may be neatly folded and placed over the navel where one may contemplate it for twelve lunar cycles by monochromatic moonlight. Following this procedure religiously should enable the practitioner to give birth to perfection.



# THE FIBONACCI SERIES AND RECIPROCALS by Harry C. Robert, Jr.

Jerome S. Meyer, in his book "Fun With Mathematics", World Publishing Company, 1952, credits Professor Jekuthiel Ginsburg with pointing out that the reciprocal of 89 (base ten) produces the Fibonacci Series. 80 is the eleventh member of the series written base ten.

Thus:

.01

2
3
5
8
13
21
34
55
89
.0112359550 etc. = 1
89

The manner in which this curiosity is presented by Meyer as "the reciprocal of the eleventh Fibonacci number", makes it appear that Mr. Meyer, at least, and possibly Professor Ginsburg, also have missed the rather interesting general case.

The general case has nothing to do with the reciprocal of a Fibonacci number. Thus 75, the dozen base number corresponding to the base ten 89 does not have the same property. However, X2 does have it -

Thus:

.01

2

3

5

8

11

19

2X

47

75

100

.0112359303 etc. =  $\frac{1}{\chi \Sigma}$ 

For any base B, the number  $(B^2-B-1)$  has this same property. For base eight, base three and base two,  $(B^2-B-1)$  is a Fibonacci number. For other  $B \leq \text{dozen}$  this is not so. The Fibonacci connection appears to be the fact that the equation (B-B-1=0) gives the ratio between successive terms of the Fibonacci Series, that is  $\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$  and  $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

If we want our Fibonacci Series spaced two places apart in the reciprocal we use the reciprocal of  $(B^4 - B^2 - 1)$ .

Thus for the dozen base -

In decimals  $\frac{1}{9899} = .000\underline{10102030508} \ \underline{13} \ \underline{21} \ \text{etc.}$ 

If you prefer three spaces, use  $(B^6 - B^3 - 1)$ .

If you want only the even terms of the Fibonacci Series, use  $(B^2 - 3B + 1)$ .

Thus: 
$$.01$$
 $.01$ 
 $.01$ 
 $.09$ 
 $.013X17 \text{ etc. } \frac{1}{.91}$ 

Using  $(B^4 - 3B^2 + 1)$ 

$$\frac{1}{2901} = .00\underline{10308} \ \underline{19} \ 48$$

and  $(B^6 - 3B^3 + 1)$  gives

$$\frac{1}{229001} = .000001003008019047100$$
.

All this can be proved by simple algebraic operations. Thus by division -

$$\frac{1}{B^2 - B - 1} = \frac{1}{B^2} + \frac{1}{B^3} + \frac{2}{B^3} + \frac{3}{B^4} + \frac{3}{B^5} + \frac{5}{B^6} + \frac{8}{B^7} + \cdots + \frac{Fn}{B^{n+1}}$$
 (n  $\to \infty$ )

Here we have an interesting algebraic fallacy - a paradox of the infinite -

Let B = 1 in the above expression and we have

$$-1 = 1 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 5 + 8 + \cdots + F_n (n \to \infty)$$

That is, sum of Fibonacci Series = - 1

By letting B = 0 in  $(B^2 - B - 1)$  we get another fallacy,  $\infty = -1$ . By equating the two false values of (-1) we get the obvious true result: Sum =  $\infty$ .

I have not determined for what values of B the series may be convergent - but certainly it diverges for all negative values of  $(B^2 - B - 1)$ . More correctly, it has no sum for these values.

The following has no connection with the Fibonacci numbers, but the same methods can be used to generate other interesting series.

Thus from 
$$(B^2 - 2B + 1) - \frac{1}{\chi_I} = .0123456 \dots \text{ etc.}$$

from 
$$(B^4 - 2B^2 + 1)$$
  $\frac{1}{2001} = .000102030405060708$  etc. ...

From this one can predict that  $\frac{1}{2001}$  has a cycle of 120 figures

and that  $\frac{1}{22222000001}$  has a cycle of 5222226 figures.

Consecutive powers in the reciprocals are given by the form (Bm - a).

Thus: 
$$\frac{1}{B^m - a} = \frac{a^0}{B^m} + \frac{a^1}{B^{2m}} + \frac{a^2}{B^{3m}} + \frac{a^3}{B^{4m}} + \cdots + \frac{a^n}{B^{m-(n+1)}}$$

Thus: 
$$\frac{1}{29} = .010309 23 6 ...$$

Thus the reciprocal of  $X\Sigma$  which we obtained by adding the Fibonacci Series can also be obtained by adding powers of 11.

.01
 11
 121
 1331
 14641
 15XX51
 1749361

1 / 
$$\chi_{\mathcal{L}}$$
 = .01123593 etc.

and the following two series have equal sums -

$$\frac{1}{10^{2}} + \frac{12}{10^{4}} + \frac{35}{10^{6}} + \frac{91}{10^{8}} + \frac{12x}{10^{x}} + \dots + \frac{(10F_{n-1} + F_{n})}{10^{n+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10^{2}} + \frac{11}{10^{4}} + \frac{11^{2}}{10^{6}} + \frac{11^{3}}{10^{8}} + \frac{11^{4}}{10^{x}} + \dots + \frac{11 \frac{n-1}{2}}{10^{n+1}}$$

# PRODUCTS REPEATING INTEGERS OF FACTORS by George S. Terry

In the Bulletin of Dec. 1947, Vol. 3, No. 4, p. 17, a few decimal examples were given of numbers whose factors were composed of the same numerals as their product. Instances were shown that comparison be made with similar duodecimal cases.

Results depend on congruence modulo Base-less-one (decimally casting out nines). Since integers in the factors are the same as integers in the product, both sum and product of remainders after casting out from factors are the same (mod. B-1) as the remainder after casting out from the product.

$$r_a + r_b \equiv r_a r_b \equiv r_{ab} \mod (B-1)$$

$$41.35 = 1435 \qquad 81 \cdot 2b = 1826$$

$$5 + 8 \equiv 5(8) \equiv 4 \mod 9 \qquad 9 + 8 \equiv 9(8) \equiv 6 \mod 2$$

Pairs of remainders thus admissable are:

Decimal 
$$(0.0)$$
  $(2.2)$   $(3.6)$   $(5.8)$   
Duodecimal  $(0.0)$   $(2.2)$   $(3.7)$   $(4.5)$   $(6.2)$   $(8.9)$ 

Two figure decimal factors were studied by Biddle in Math: Questions 1911, p. 60, with the following results:

21.87	21.60	15 • 93
	41.35	27 •81
	51.30	80 • 86

Corresponding duodecimal results are:

In either list the first column holds for any even Base since the product of (2B-1) with (B-2) B + (B/2 + 2) is  $B^3$  + (B-2)  $B^2$  + 2B + (B/2 + 2).

The second column holds for any composite Base for if  $B^2 = pq$  with p > q, the product of (p + B) with (Bq + 1) is  $B^3 + B^2q + (p + B)$ .

The third column holds only for the Base under consideration.

Method for check. Take any congruent pair (a b) with product just over 1000. Continue adding (B-1) to a and (B-1)a to the product.

For three figure factors, which were not listed by Biddle, we have for a similar column 1, the product of (B-1)  $(B^2-1)$  with (B-1  $(B^2+1)$  for any Base., e.g. 891.909 or XL1.20L.

For column 2, if  $B^4$  = pg with p in two integers, (Bp + 1) ( $B^2$  + q) gives 12 (14) results duodecimally 141.200 to 281.216. Decimally six results from 161.725 to 801.225.

Also if p is a multiple of the Base, (Bp+1) (B+q) gives six results duodecimally from  $201 \cdot 610$  to  $901 \cdot 150$ . Decimally four results from  $201 \cdot 510$  to  $801 \cdot 135$ .

Other algebraic results may be found from the following decimal and duodecimal lists.

#### DECIMAL FACTORS

135.801	216.864	281 • 443	351.900	468.612	630.855
140.926	216 • 981	281.650	351 • 909	468 • 891	641.650
141.840	$221 \cdot 782$	$284 \cdot 926$	356 • 431	470.542	650 • 704
146.938	225.801	296 • 851	356 • 926	473.800	650 • 875
150.930	225 .810		360 • 936	476.941	650.983
152 . 761	231 • 534	300.501	366 • 948	482 • 890	657 • 864
152.824	231.543	300.510	369.981	489.582	680.926
156.942	231.588	311.422	371 • 470	491.845	681.759
158.701	231.750	315.423	381.969	172 010	001 107
161.725	231.759	317.425	383.971	524.623	720.936
165.951	240.651	317 • 461	392 • 863	530.635	750.906
167.701	246.510	320.926	392 • 926	533.641	765.963
176.926	248.881	321.678	$395 \cdot 491$	533.686	776.992
179.725	248.926	321.975	396.414	534.591	788 • 926
117 123	251.500	323.410	370 414	540.846	100 720
001 510		0 - 2 0	100 (70		0.00
201.510	251.608	323.671	420.678	545.899	800.860
201.600	251.860	323 . 806	422.581	546.840	807 • 984
201.627	252.801	327.591	431.707	549.891	$825 \cdot 957$
201.897	255.807	336 • 951	431.725	563.953	843 876
204.516	260 • 401	338.692	431 .878	570 • 834	$855 \cdot 927$
204.615	261 • 486	341.626	432 • 891	572 • 926	$858 \cdot 951$
210.501	261 • 585	342.963	435·870	585.630	875 • 902
210.600	269.581	350.401	437.602	588.951	891.909
210.870	269.842	350.410	446.908	590.845	891.945
210.906	270.810	350.725	461.524	593.662	894.906
210.915	275.719	351 - 387	464.926		896 • 926
215.635	276.822	351 • 414	465.831	624.780	953.986
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#### DUODECIMAL FACTORS

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121 · 26% 21 123 · 219 21	4 · 203 300 · 601 5 · 209 300 · 610 6 · X81 300 · 927	382•X10 391•580 393•410	524 • 994 526 • 607 528 • X24	6X9 · L25 6XX · L88 6L1 · X78
136·X61 23	7.001 301.410 70.951 301.500 80.231 301.600	393 · X62 395 · 721 397 · 414	531 ·8X1 531 ·£80 533 · 7X5	6£3 · 955 700 · 9£5
146 · X10 23 150 · 901 23	303 · 415 1 · 948 303 · 514 1 · £28 306 · \$\times 27	3X0 · 418 3X1 · 430 3X5 · 842	541 · £60 544 · 904 545 · XX9	709 · £69 730 · 935 753 · 907
160 · X13 23 161 · 900 24	6 · 6 41 310 · 401 0 · 901 310 · 500	3X6 •X37	546 • XX7 548 • XOO	759·935 765·203
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#### CONVERSION MULTIPLES

Numbers, which read duodecimally, are 2, 3, 4 etc., times their value read decimally, are conversion multiples. Four conversion doubles were given in the Bulletin of Dec. 1950 and a complete list of a dozen pairs of such doubles were given by H.K. Humphrey in the Bulletin of Oct. 1951 together with the formula for their discovery.

This is an interesting recreation inasmuch as the result may be directly obtained working either decimally or duodecimally. In fact the office adding machine will give results for higher multiples than doubles with little labor though care is necessary.

Multiples have been found in every case unless, as in the case of trebles, the positive coefficient is greater than ten times the negative ones. See p. 16, Oct. 1952 Bulletin.

Numbers read duodecimally which are N times the same number read decimally.

N = 2. Twenty one results as published in Bulletin.

N = 3. No results possible.

N = 4. 1586 62568 · 1590 06368 · 1645 82768

N = 6. Same as for N = 5 with zero added.

N = 7. 13 97886 38673 · 29 67984 28382 14 55360 09306 · 29 68192 72539 15 09470 51826

 $\cdot$  N = 8. No results possible.

N = 9. No results possible.

N = Ten. 1560 64673 11590 1615 86397 63478 1615 86406 26638

N = Twelve. Same as for N = Ten with zero added.

N = Eleven. Thirteen. Fourteen. No results possible.

N = Fifteen. 2 28616 36780 37713 · 4 67481 70895 11539 2 33583 38347 10186 · 4 67481 70900 27899 3 48186 15617 37960 · 4 72466 96817 72913 3 52877 57041 35313 · 2 33603 09770 22933

N = Eighteen. Same results as for N = Fifteen with zero added.

FRACTIONS WITH EQUAL NUMERAL PRODUCTS by Harry C. Robert, Jr.

(see previous paper on A MATHEMATICAL RECREATION) (in Bulletin, Vol. 9, No. 1, April 1953, p. 24)

This study concerns certain fractions whose separate products of the numerals in the numerator, - over the products of the numerals in the denominator, - remain of the same value. The earlier report made a brief statement of the problem and gave examples on several bases. The study has been continued, and this paper amends the previous report, detailing the recent development of our explorations.

- 1. The Base Twelve results stated are found to be incomplete,  $\frac{18}{25}$  and  $\frac{26}{25}$  being omitted.
- The method given in Scripta is laborious. First step may be to get a simpler method of finding all solutions for various Bases.
- 3. Let Base = B. Then  $\frac{aB + b}{cB d} = \frac{ab}{cd}$

Transposing and regrouping B  $\left[\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{d}\right] = \left[\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right]$  and since

b > d and c > a, both sides are negative so we change signs:-

$$B\left(\frac{1}{d} - \frac{1}{b}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{c}\right)$$

A small table of differences between reciprocals is all that we need to obtain solutions for any Base. The Scripta method has to be repeated for each Base. The small table on the next page suffices to Base Sixteen.

4. The method of using the table is simple and can be used for any Base. Let us take  $\frac{1}{18}$  and test for results on various Bases.

	/12														1/156
														132	2/143 1,
													110		
												50			4/119 1/
											.92			, -	
1/d										92,		,	•		
/a and									09/	•					
	1/7							1/48			-				
Value	1/6						1/36	1/20	1/16	1/13	2/28	1/10	99//	2/19	$1/\mathcal{X}$
	1/5					1/26	37/38	3/34	4/39	$1/\mathcal{X}$	24/9	7/50	8/55	3/2%	2/13
	1/4				1/18	1/10	3/24	1/8	5/30	3/18	7/38	1/6	77/6	5/24	05/3
	1/3			1/10	2/13	1/6	4/19	5/20	2/9	7/26	8/29	1/4	$\chi/33$	98/3	
	1/2		1/6	1/4	$3/\chi$	1/3	5/12	3/8	7/16	2/5	9/1%	5/10	27/33	3/7	11/26
	1/1	1/2	2/3	3/4	4/5	9/9	1/9	8/1	6/8	$\chi/6$	$3/\chi$	2/10	10/11	11/12	19/13
Values	of 'b and $1/c$														
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 $\frac{1}{18}$  is in  $\begin{cases} \text{line } 1/5 \\ \text{column } 1/4 \end{cases}$  so a solution may be  $\frac{a5}{c4}$  on any Base.

Multiply by the Base (expressed duodecimally since the table is so expressed) we have:-

Base Six,  $\frac{6}{18} = \frac{3}{2}$  which occurs in  $\begin{bmatrix} \text{column } 1/2 \\ \text{line } 1/5 \end{bmatrix}$  Solution  $\frac{25}{54}$ 

Base Ten,  $\frac{\chi}{18} = 1/2$  which occurs in  $\begin{cases} \text{column } 1/1 \\ \text{line } 1/2 \end{cases}$  Solution  $\frac{15}{24}$ 

Base Twelve  $\frac{10}{18} = 3/5$  which does not occur.

Base Fifteen  $\frac{13}{18} = 3/4$  which occurs in  $\begin{bmatrix} \text{column } 1/1 \\ \text{line } 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$  Solution  $\frac{15}{44}$ 

Base Sixteen  $\frac{14}{18}$  = 4/5 which occurs in  $\begin{pmatrix} \text{column } 1/4 \\ \text{line } 1/5 \end{pmatrix}$  Solution  $\frac{45}{54}$ 

For any Base we use only the lines above the reciprocal 1/Base and the columns to the left of the one headed 1/B-1.

We only have to multiply those fractions which are smaller than 1/B for each Base, since all values in the table of solutions are less than unity. Reciprocals of these solutions follow as a matter of course.

The small number of fractional differences to be checked for each Base are near the right side of the table. After multiplying by B, the corresponding fraction will be found near the left of the table. All computations can be made Base Twelve, converting individual integers, if necessary, as the last operation. Base Ten could be used for the table in same way if desired.

5. The formula in the Bulletin, though incomplete, may be the most general formula that can be written for this interesting bit of "trivia".

It might be preferable to write this general formula as follows:

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$$\frac{\left(\frac{B}{M}-1\right)\left(B-N\right)}{\left(\frac{B}{N}-1\right)\left(B-M\right)} = \frac{N}{M}$$

where M and N are all of the divisors of B such that

$$B > M > N \ge 1$$

If there are "n" such divisors, including 1, there will be a total of  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  solutions given by this formula.

- 6. It appears that when B is prime there are no solutions given either by the general formula or otherwise. Also note that no prime, Q,  $\frac{B+1}{2} > Q > B-1$ , appears as an integer in any of the listed solutions.
- 7. When B is odd, all four integers in solutions given by the general formula are even. Dividing each by 2 gives another solution. In other cases where the four integers are not relatively prime, other divisors can also be used.
- 8. When B = 6p 2, there are three solutions of the form.

$$\frac{(p) (3p)}{(3p) (3p - 1)}$$

$$\frac{(1) (3p)}{(3p) (2p)}$$

$$\frac{(1) (3p - 1)}{(p) (2p)}$$

Note: Composite values of p might be expected to extend number of solutions, but this does not appear to be the case. Should be checked on large Bases.

When p = 1 B = 4, the above gives only one solution. For all other cases, all three solutions appear.

For Base Ten, p = 2, and we get three of the Base Ten solutions not given by the General Formula. That is,

9. When B = 10p + 4, there are three solutions of the form.

$$\frac{(p) (4p + 1)}{(4p + 1) (4p)}$$

$$\frac{(1) (4p + 1)}{(4p + 1) (3p + 1)}$$

$$\frac{(1) (4p)}{(p) (3p + 1)}$$

Note diagonal arrangement same as for General Form.

When p=1, there is one solution.  $p \not\equiv 2$  gives all three. These solutions can be multiplied by 2 to give another set of solutions. When multiplied by 3, solutions are identical with some given by the General Formula.

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by dividing same by 3/3.

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- 2. Note that the arrangement of General and Special Form solutions all show a consistent pattern on the diagonals of the four integers.
- 10. The Special Cases in nearly every case have three integers transposed or rotated from one of the regular forms. In nearly every case the denominators of "Specials" contain high powers. Every denominator of "Specials" contains at least a square.
- 11. Two particular patterns of specials are noted, but not all specials fall in these categories.
  - (a) One case exists where a previous solution which may be either regular or special itself, furnishes two numerators for the same denominator to produce two additional solutions. Thus -

Base 10 
$$\frac{18}{26}$$
 (regular) gives  $\frac{18}{25}$  and  $\frac{26}{25}$ 

Base 
$$13 \frac{2\chi}{39}$$
 (special) gives  $\frac{2\chi}{88}$  and  $\frac{39}{88}$ 

(b) The second definite pattern results in adding 10 to the numerator and 11 to the denominator to produce a second special solution. The denominator integers are equal for this pattern. Thus -

Base 9 
$$\frac{16}{44}$$
 gives  $\frac{26}{55}$ 

Base 
$$12 \frac{17}{55}$$
 gives  $\frac{27}{66}$ 

and 
$$\frac{2(10)}{99}$$
  $\frac{3(10)}{x}$ 

Base  $13 \frac{19}{66}$  by adding  $\frac{20}{22}$  gives  $\frac{39}{88}$  which is one of the other special patterns.

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