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**Theorem.** (Mahler) Let f be a continuous function on the p-adic integers taking values in some finite extension K of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ , and for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , put  $a_n = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{n-i} \binom{n}{i} f(i)$ . Then  $a_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \binom{\cdot}{n}$  converges uniformly to f on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , and  $||f||_{\infty} = \sup_{n \ge 0} |a_n|_p$ , where  $||\cdot||_{\infty}$  denotes the sup norm.