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- In practice, above Erasure Code (m=1) would be based on bytes - computation is done via modulo 256 arithmetic (addition and subtraction wrap around; division is not required)
- In practice, below computations are done in a **Galois Field** (we need to be able to additionally express subtraction and division and prefer to work with bytes)
- For simplicity and illustration, here, we use **the Rationales** in our calculations (*Q* is a field so all operations we need are well-defined)
- Including in assignments, etc., unless explicitly stated otherwise