

CSC 252: Computer Organization

Spring 2021: Lecture 4

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Announcement

- Programming Assignment 1 is out
 - Details: <https://www.cs.rochester.edu/courses/252/spring2021/labs/assignment1.html>
 - Due on Feb. 17, 11:59 PM
 - You have 3 slip days

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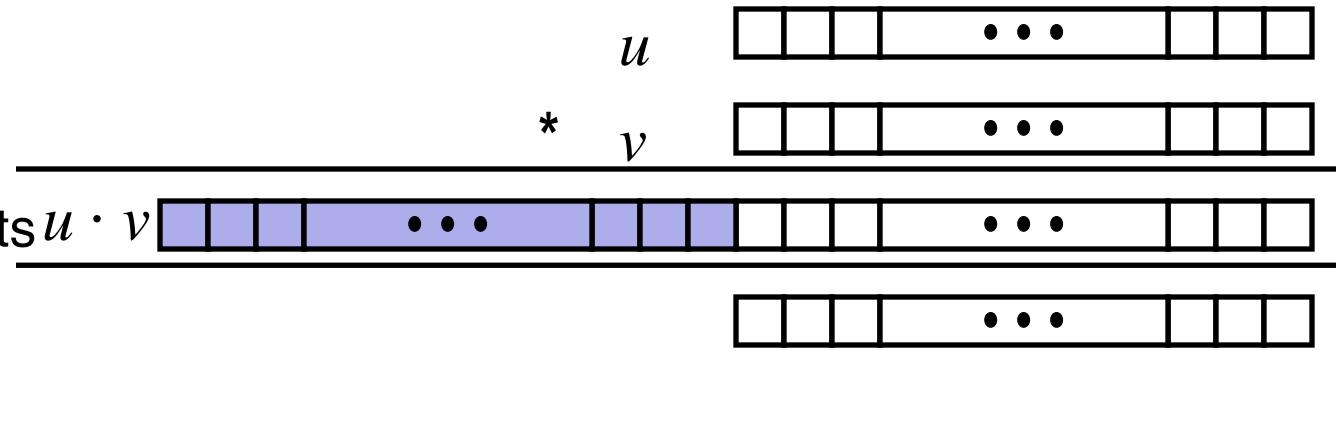
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- Programming assignment 1 is in C language. Seek help from TAs.
- TAs are best positioned to answer your questions about programming assignments!!!
- Programming assignments do NOT repeat the lecture materials. They ask you to synthesize what you have learned from the lectures and work out something new.

Unsigned Multiplication in C

Operands: w bits



True Product: 2^w bits $u \cdot v$ [blue box] ... [white box] ... [white box]

Discard w bits: w bits

- Standard Multiplication Function
 - Ignores high order w bits
- Effectively Implements the following:
 $\text{UMult}_w(u, v) = u \cdot v \bmod 2^w$

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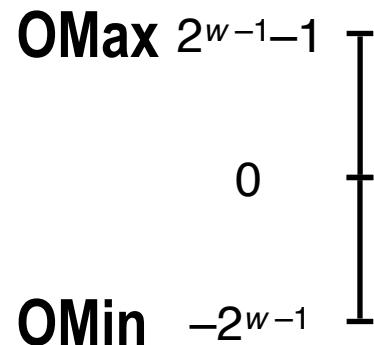
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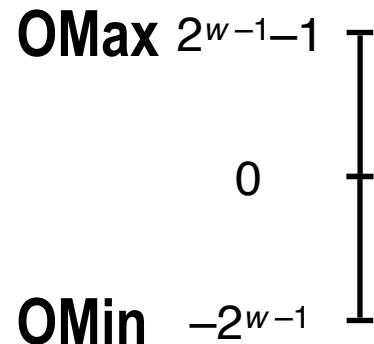
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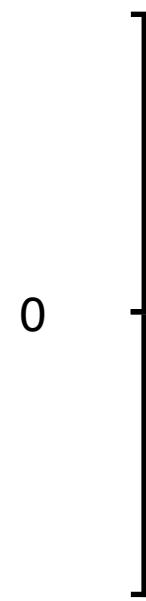
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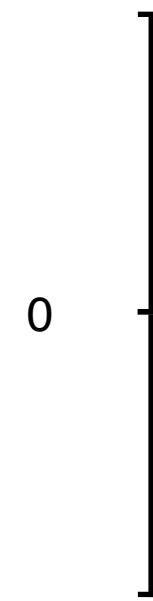
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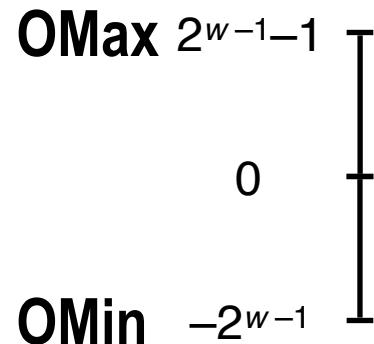
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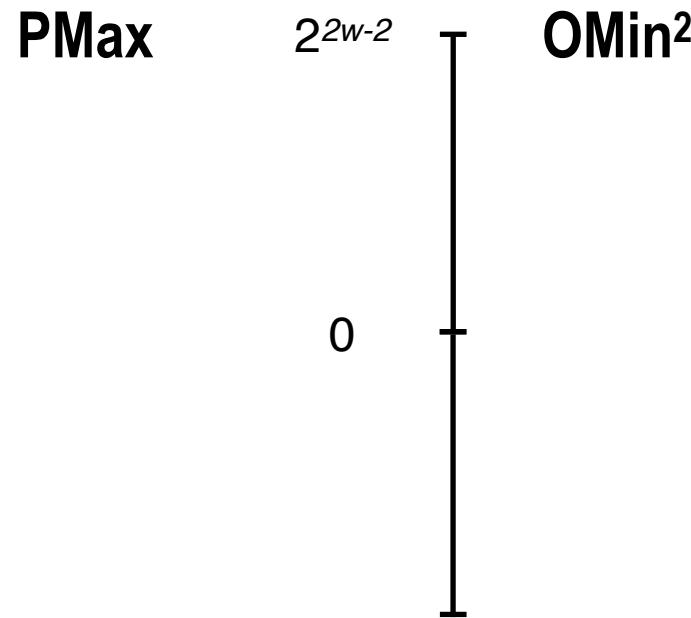
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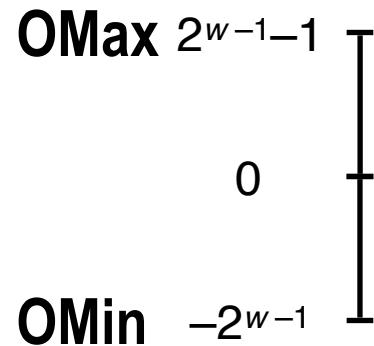
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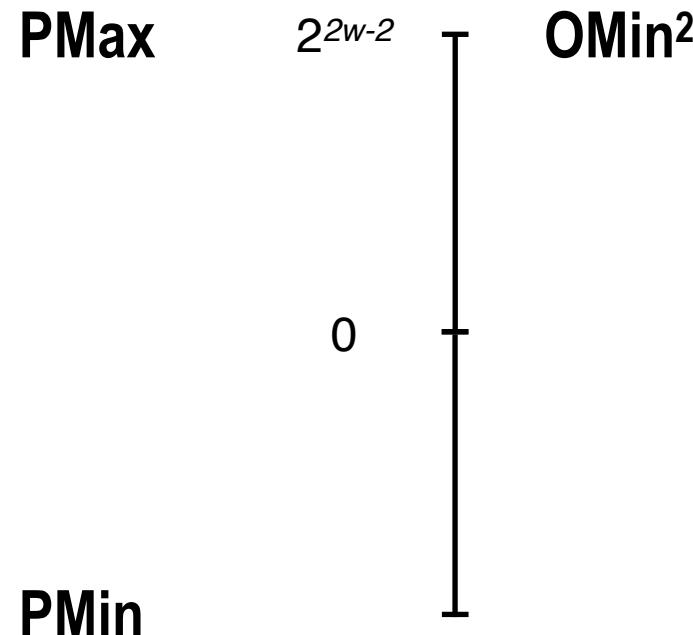
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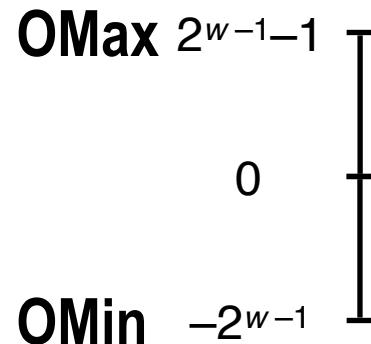
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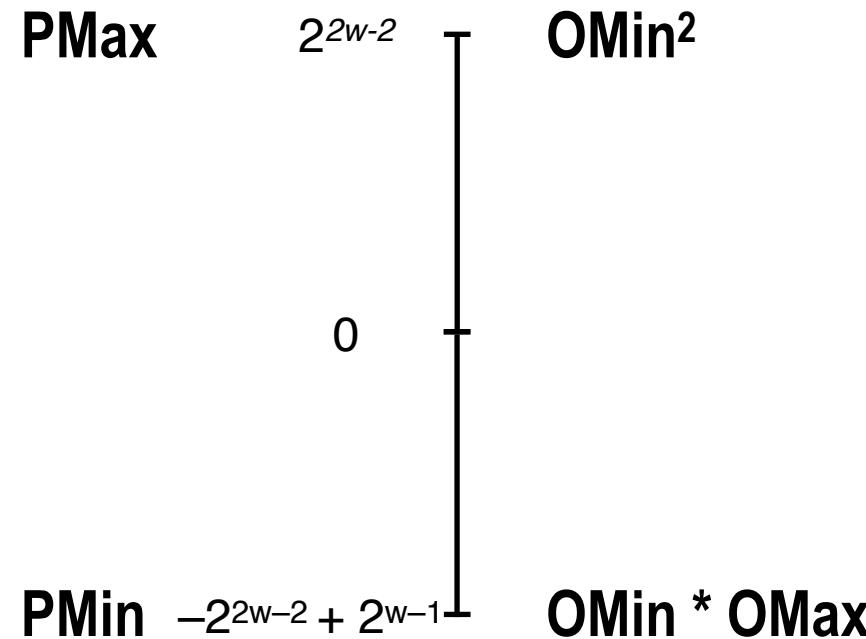
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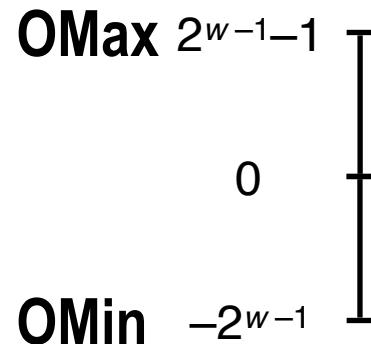
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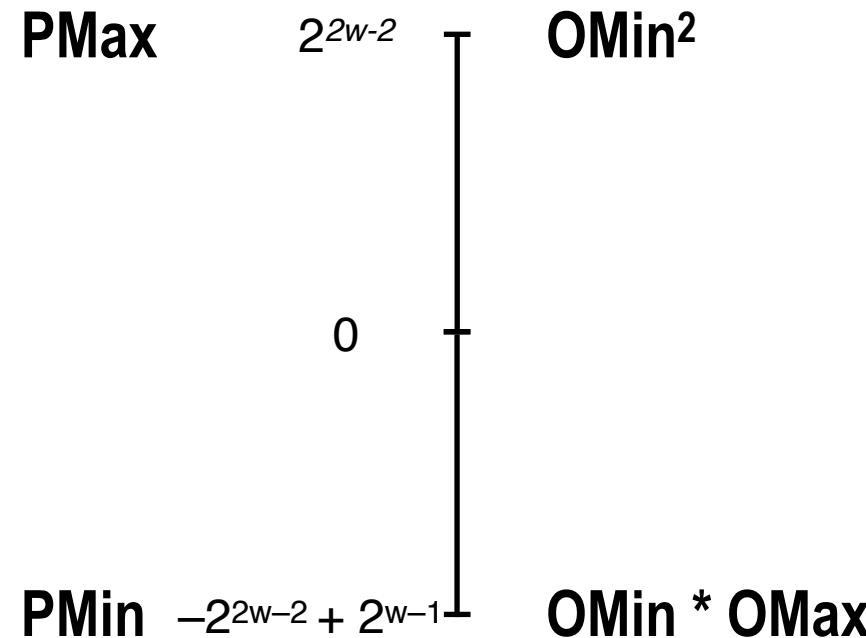
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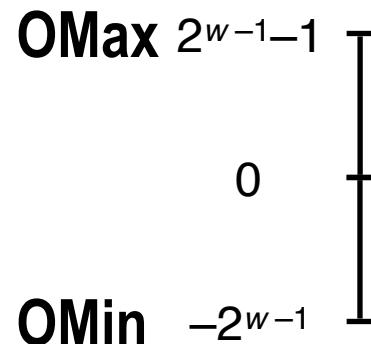
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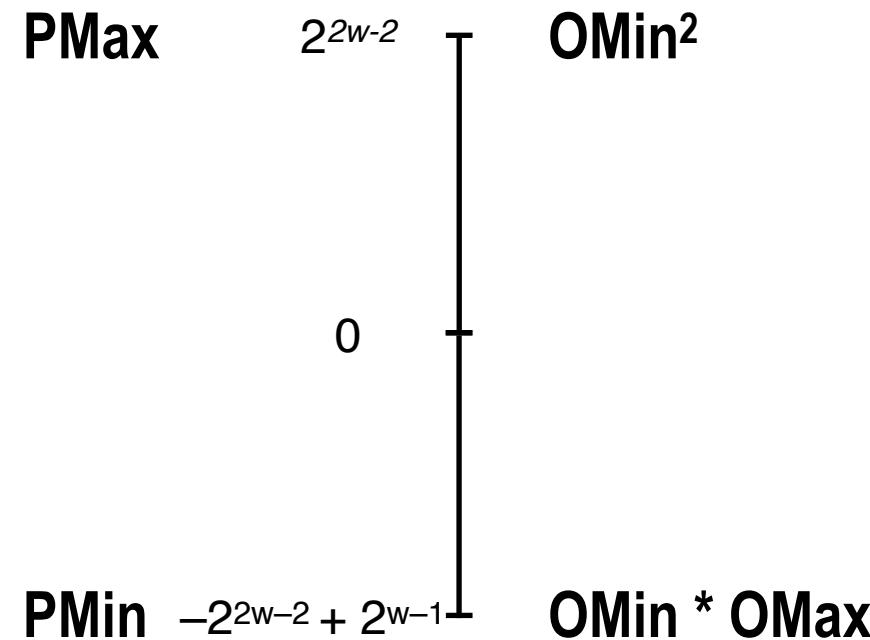
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- Exact results can be bigger than w bits
 - Up to $2w$ bits (both signed and unsigned)

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- Floating point representation
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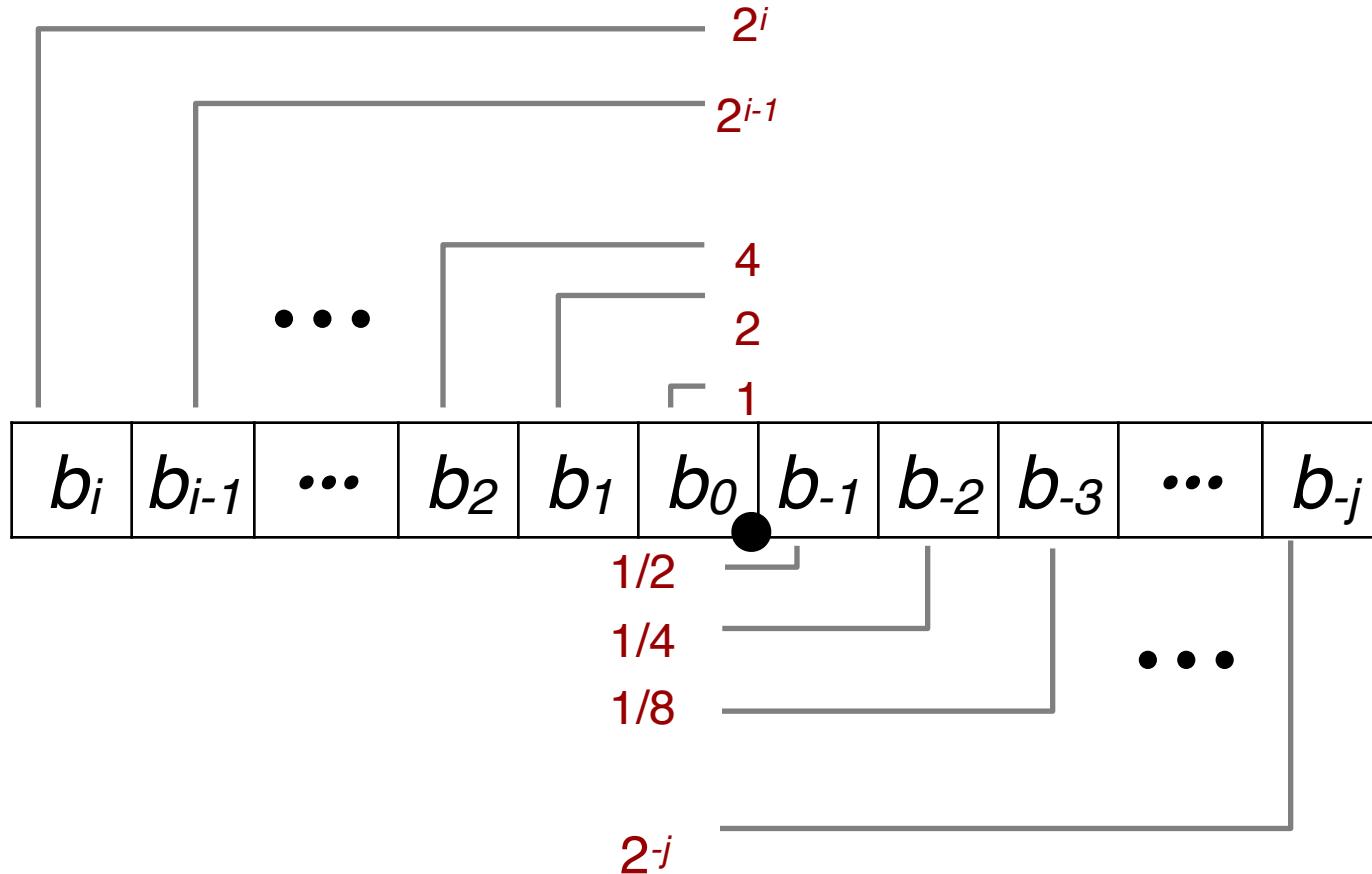

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Fractional Binary Numbers



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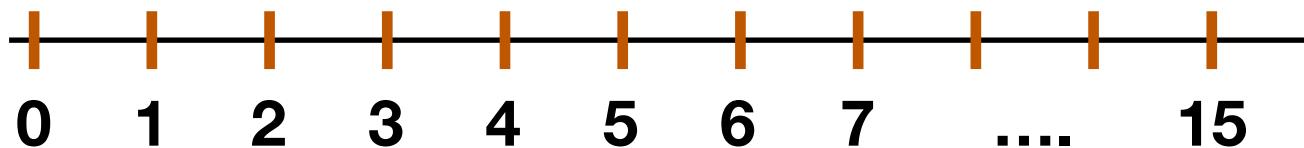
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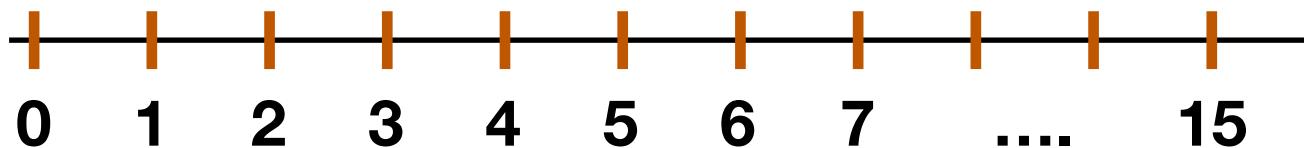
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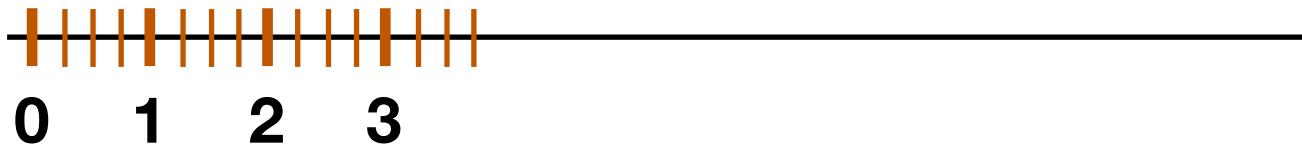
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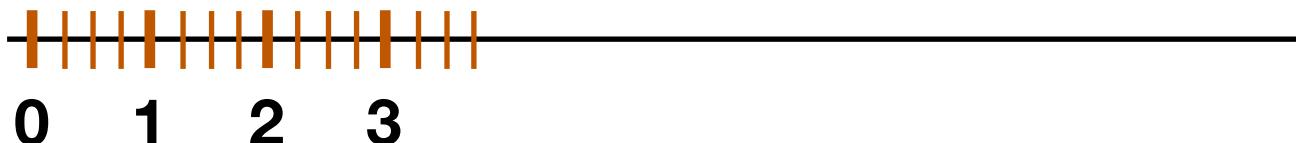


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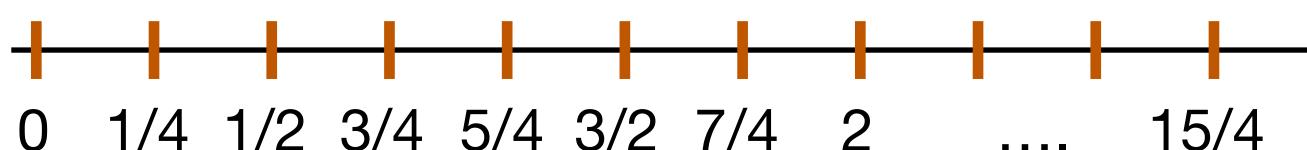
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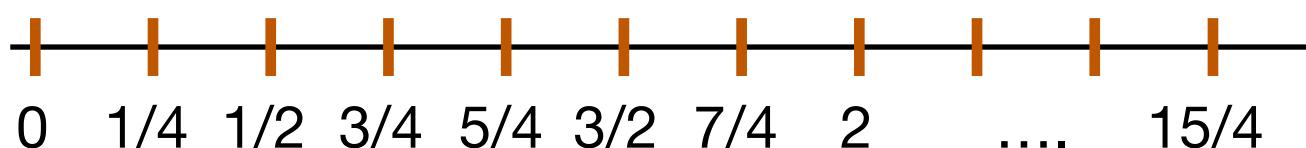
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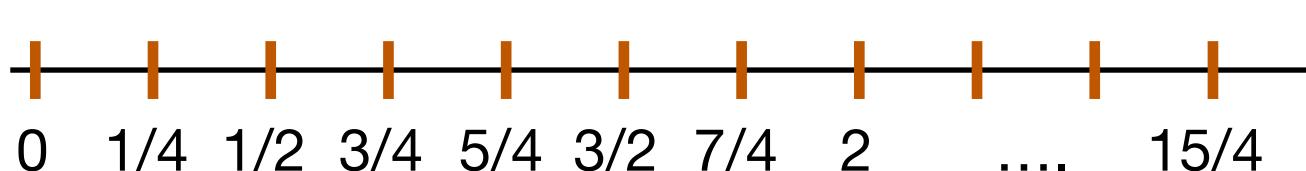


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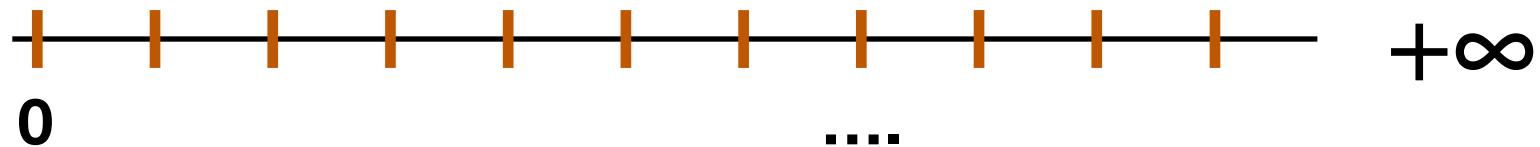
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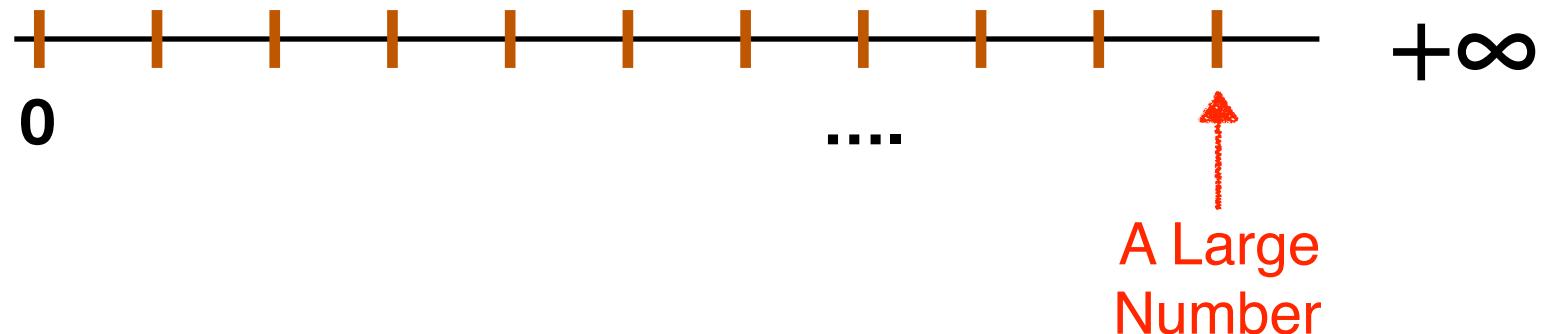
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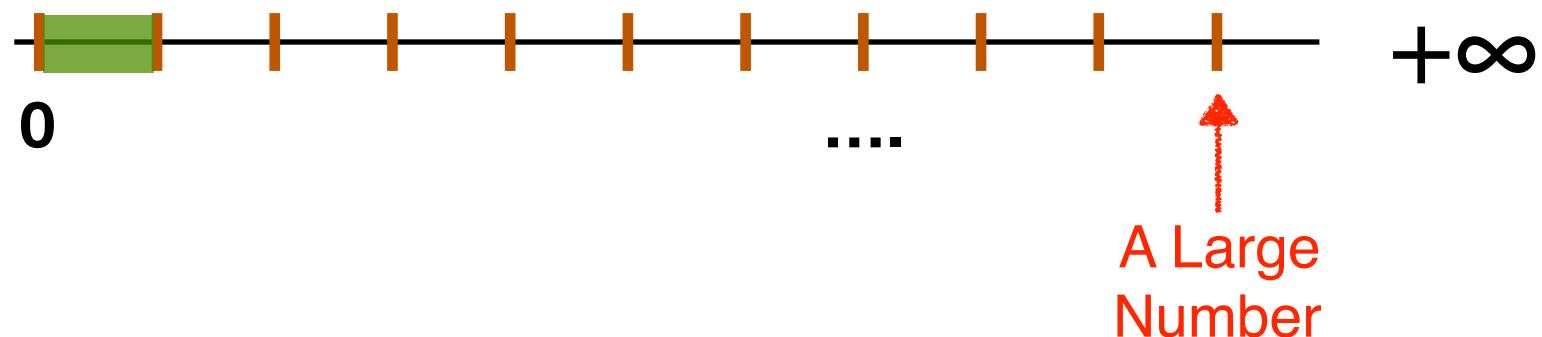
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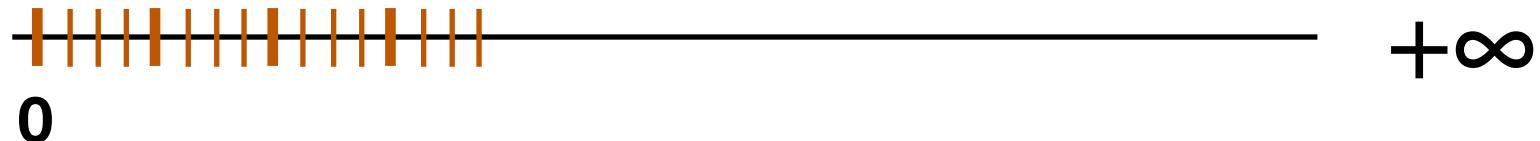
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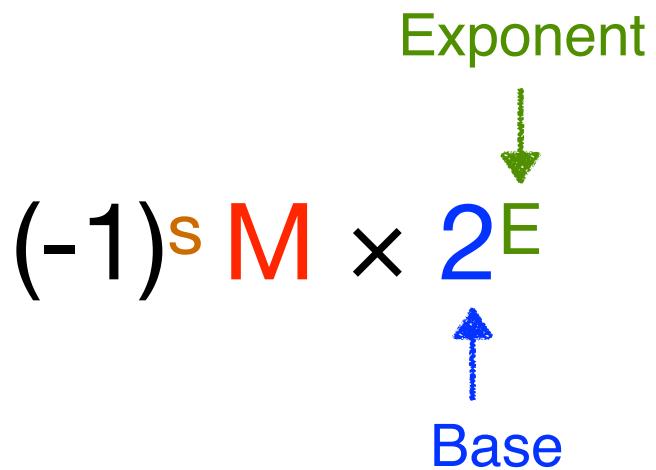
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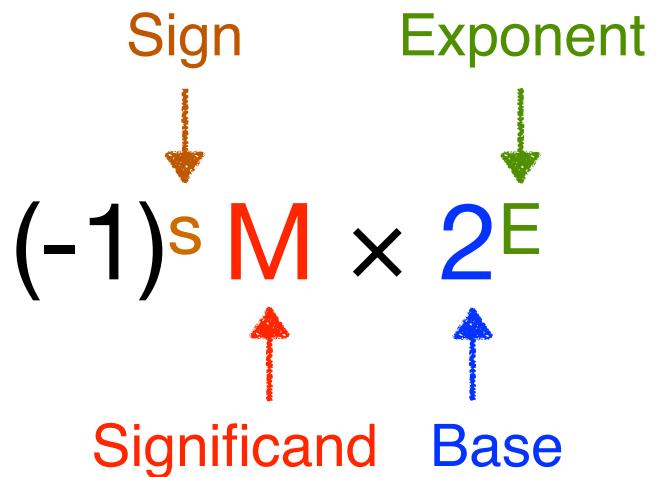
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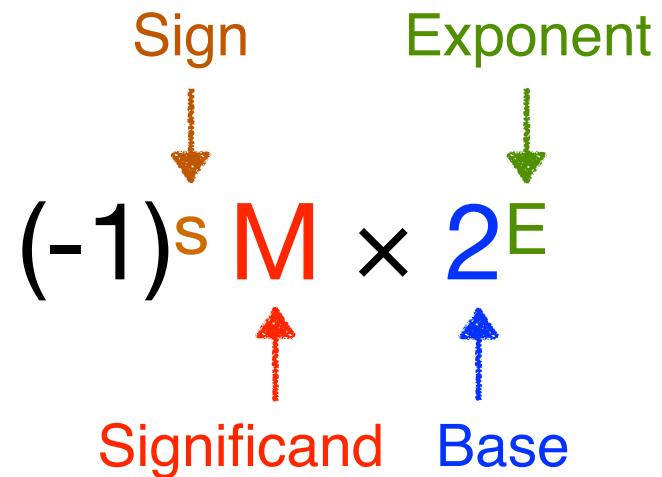
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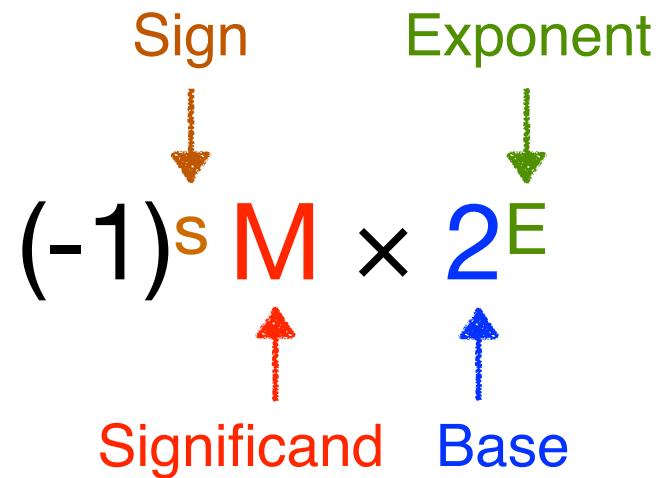


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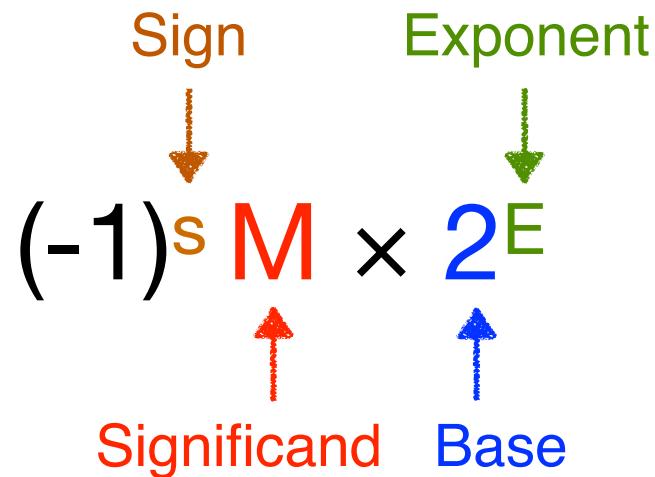
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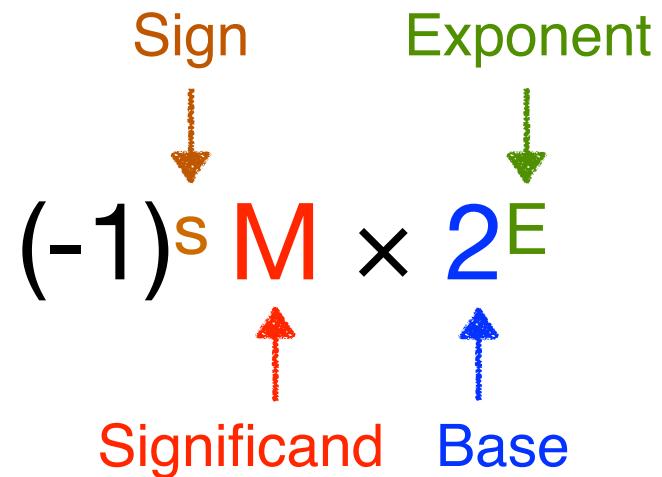


- If I tell you that there is a number where:

- Fraction = 0101
- $s = 1$
- $E = 10$
- You could reconstruct the number as $(-1)^1 1.0101 \times 2^{10}$

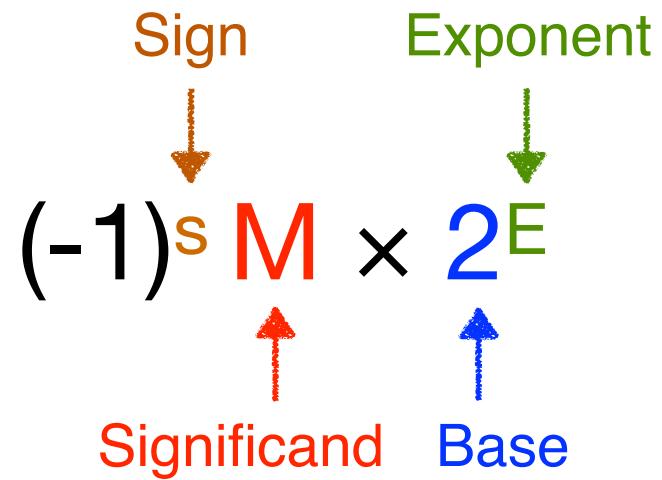
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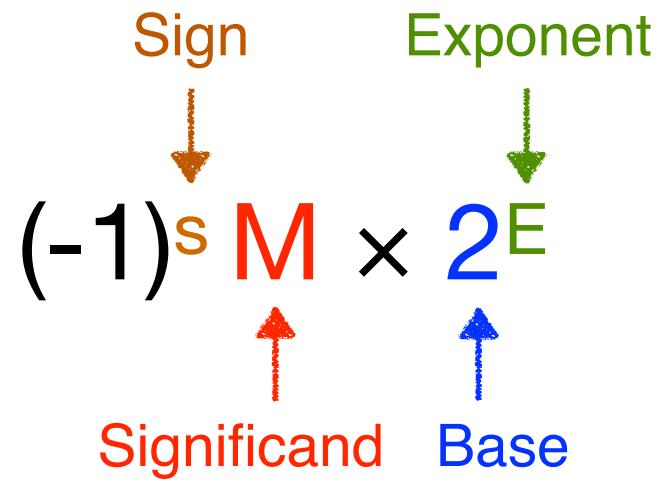
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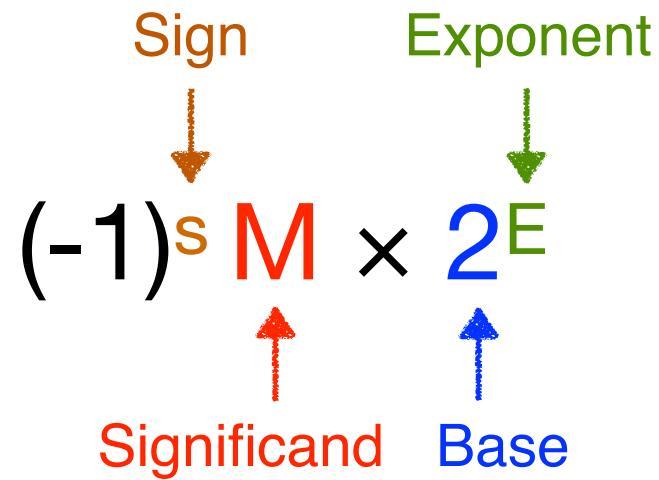
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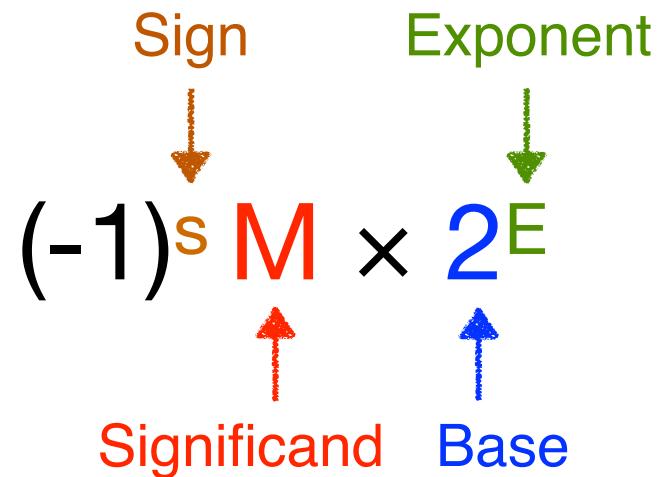
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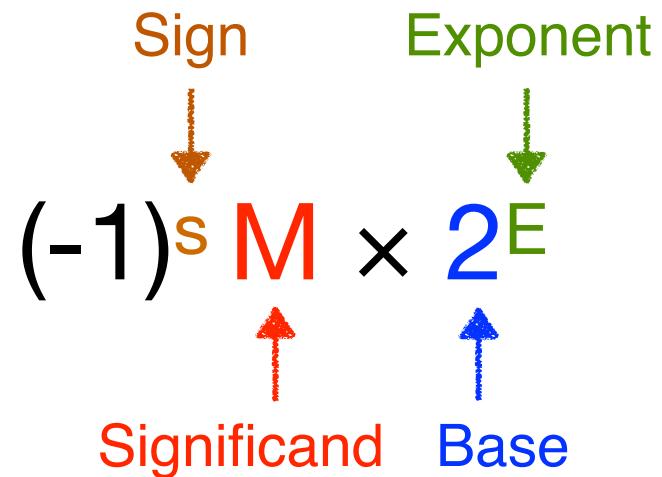
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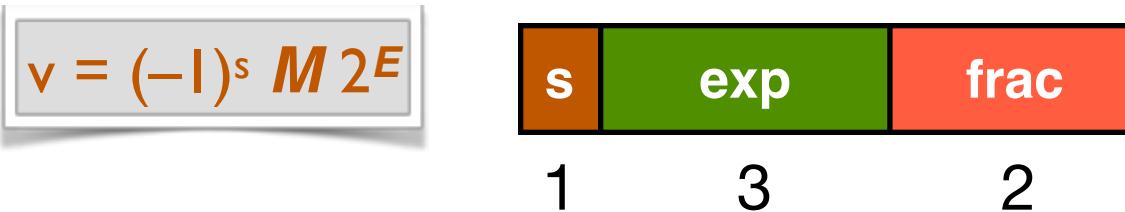


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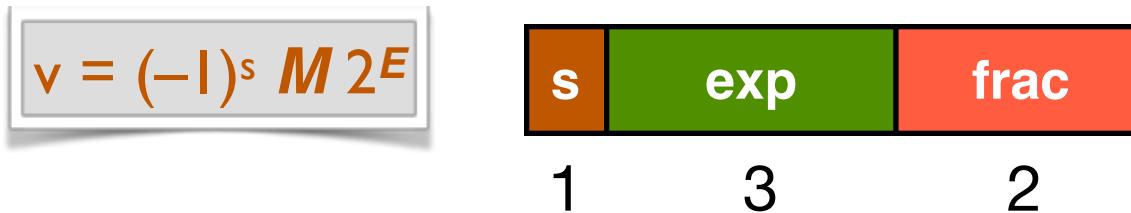


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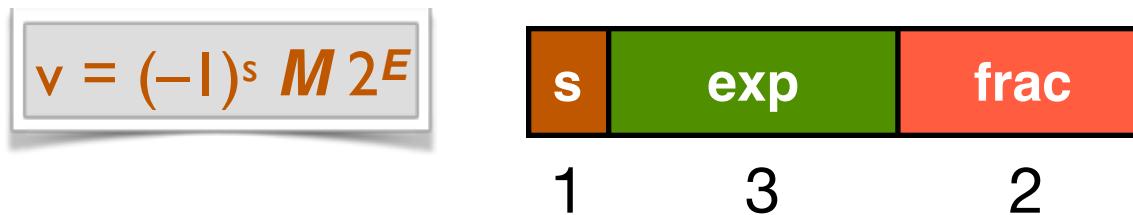
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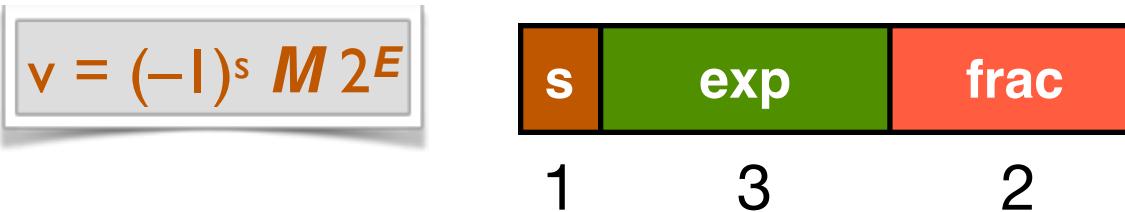
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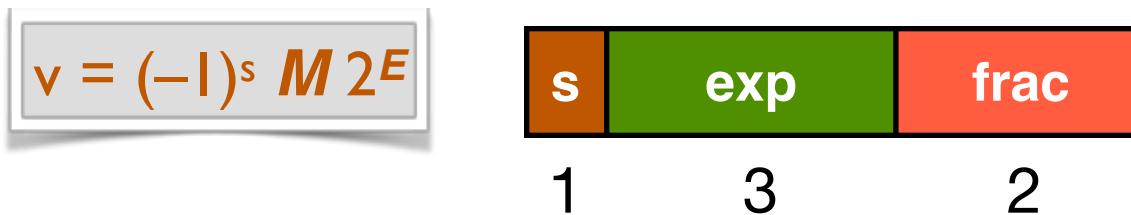
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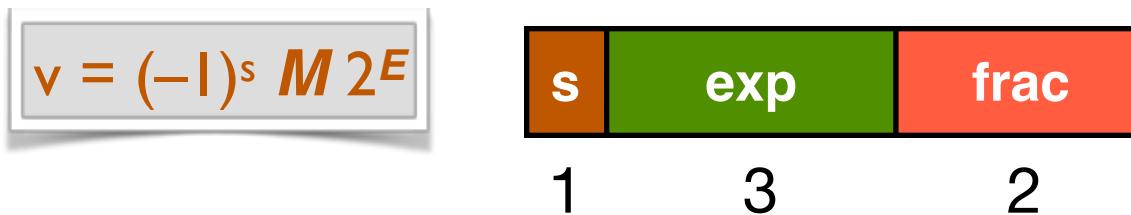
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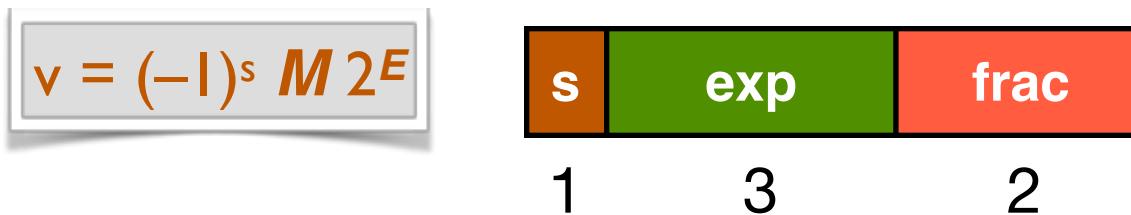
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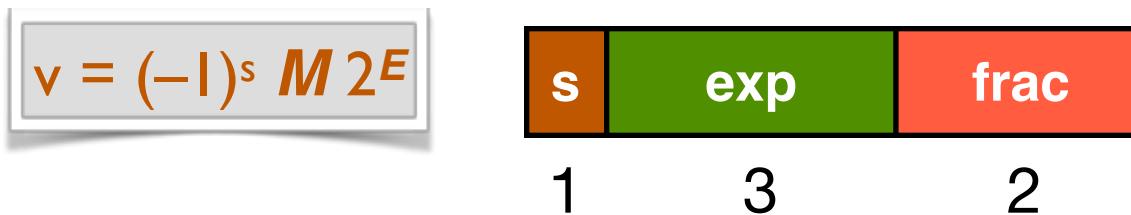
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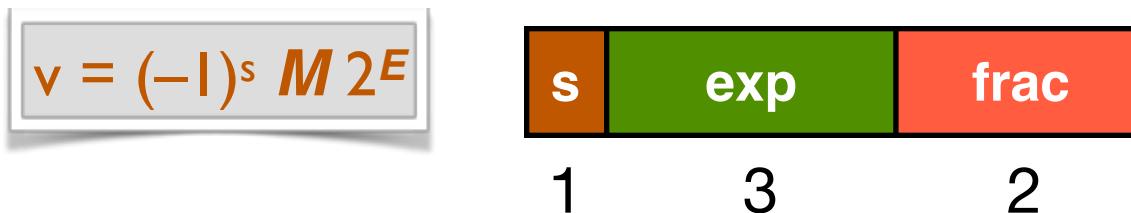
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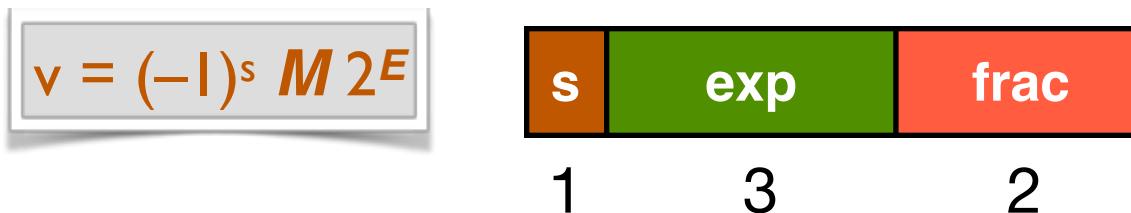
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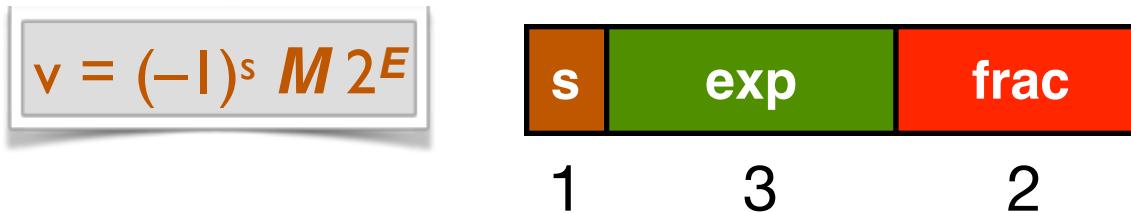
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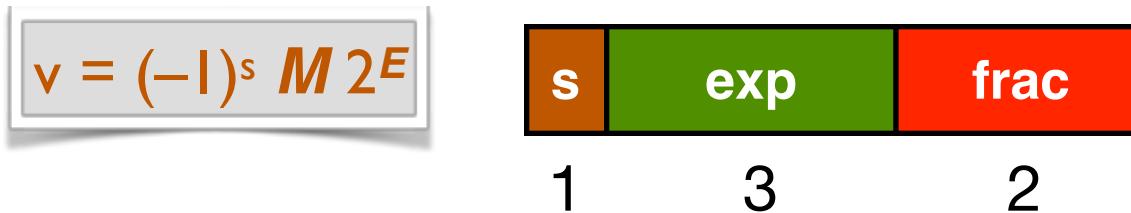


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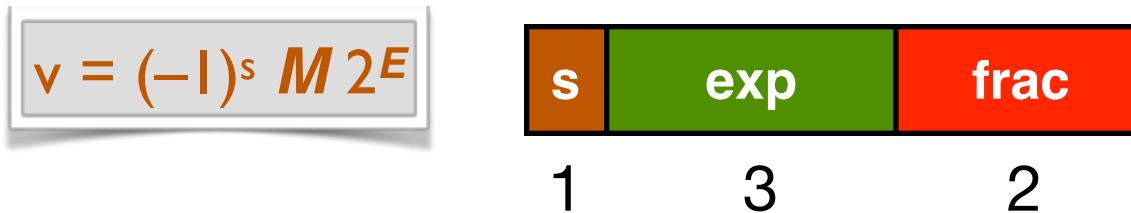
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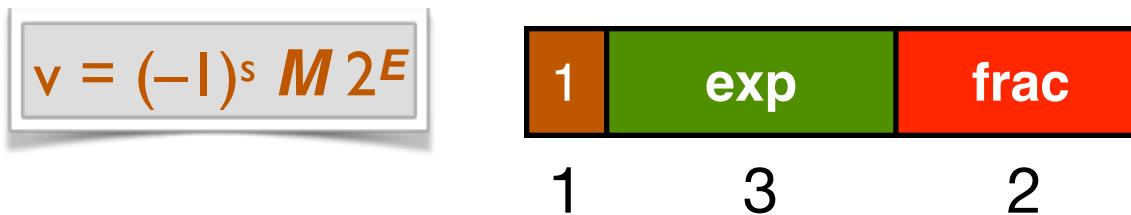
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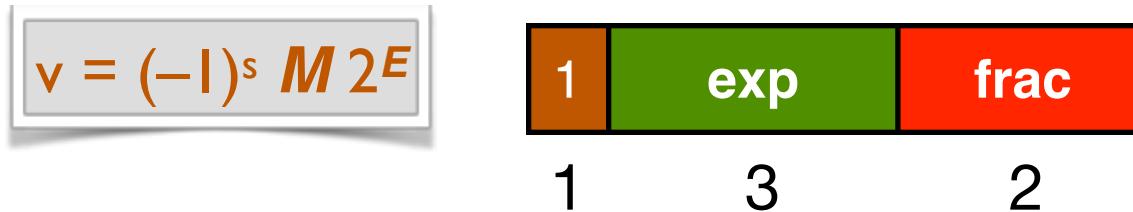
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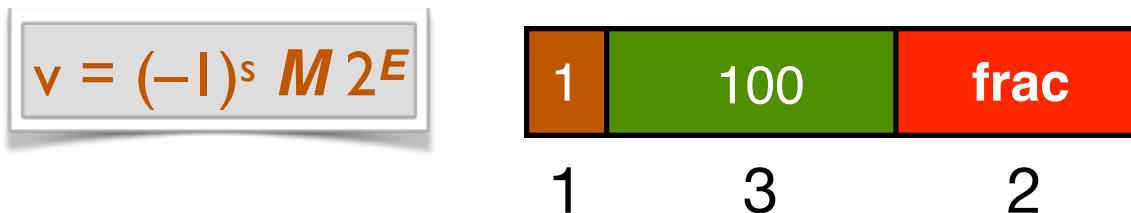
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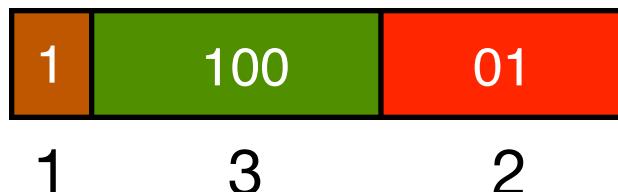


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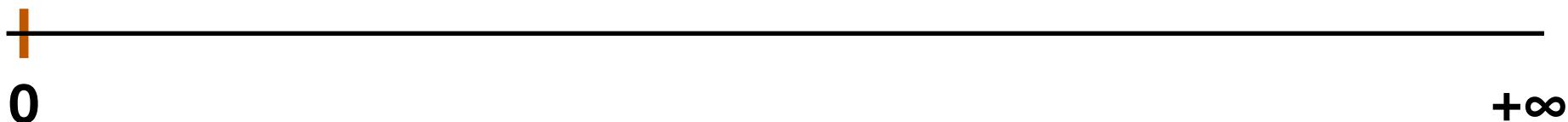
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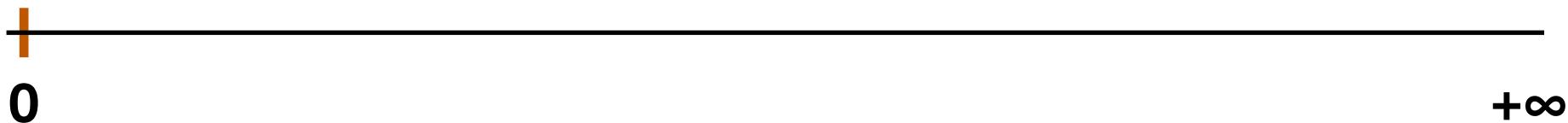


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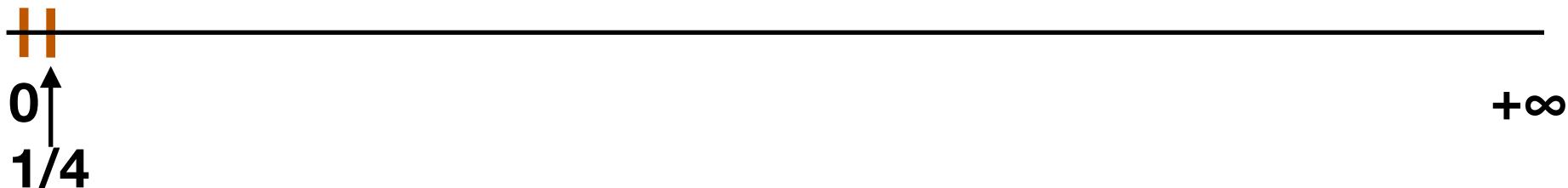


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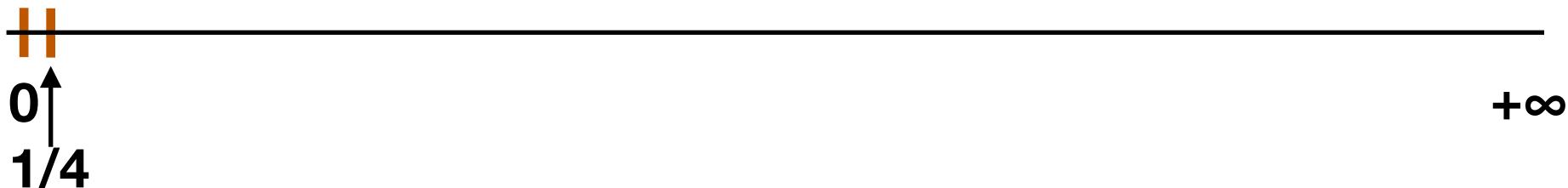


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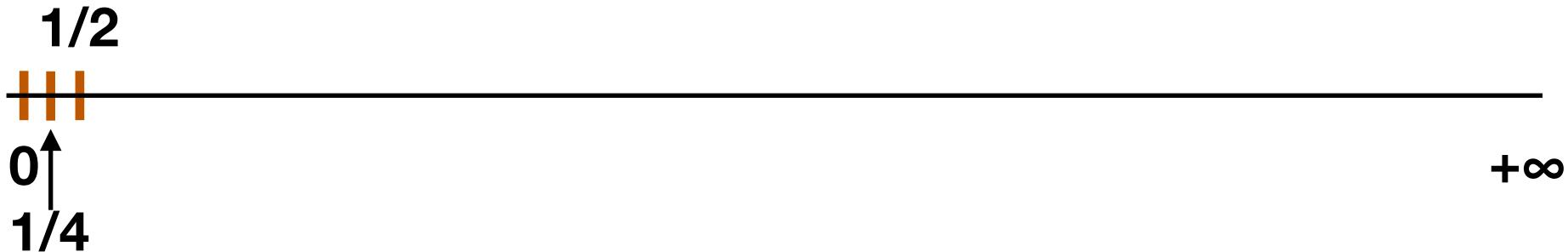


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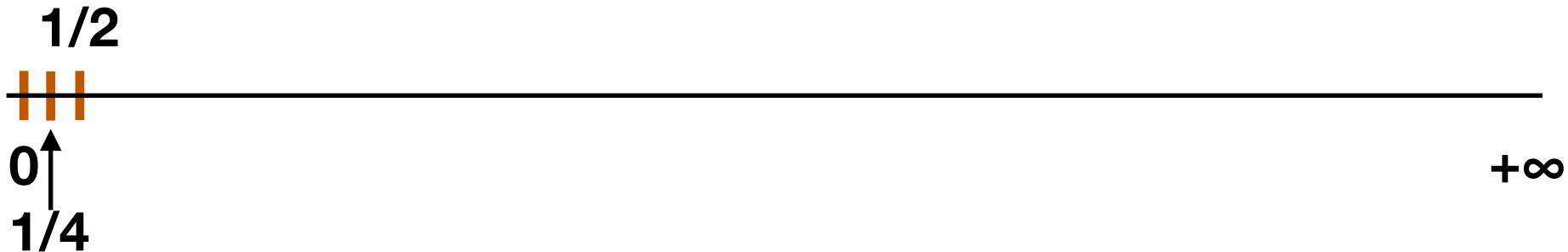


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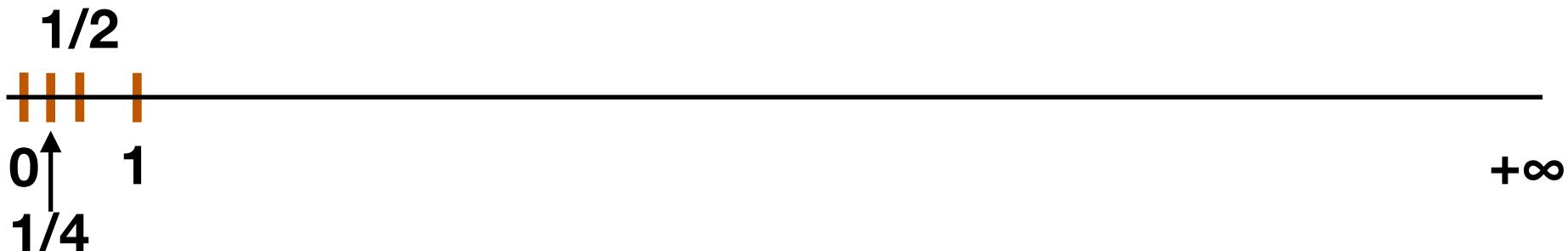


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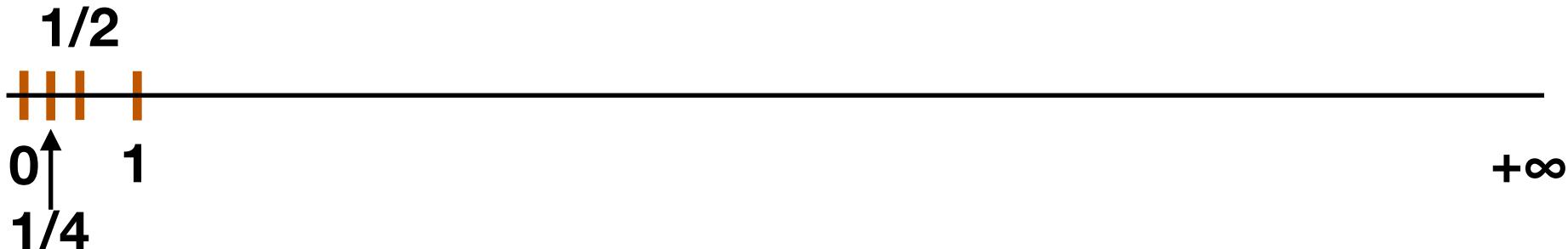


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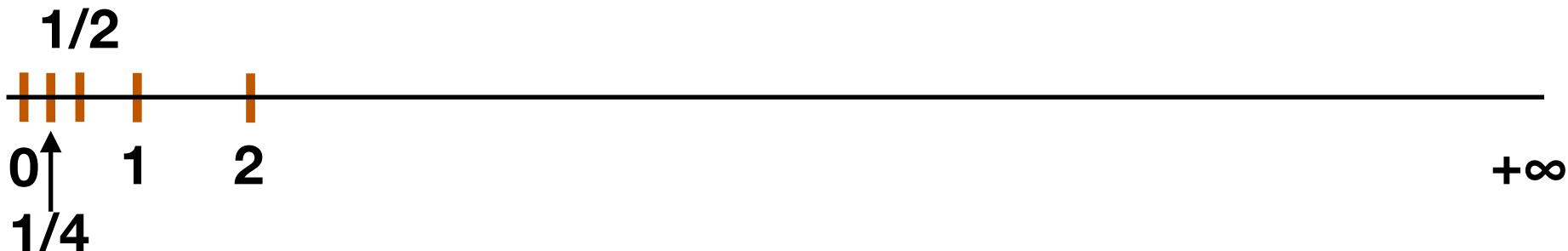


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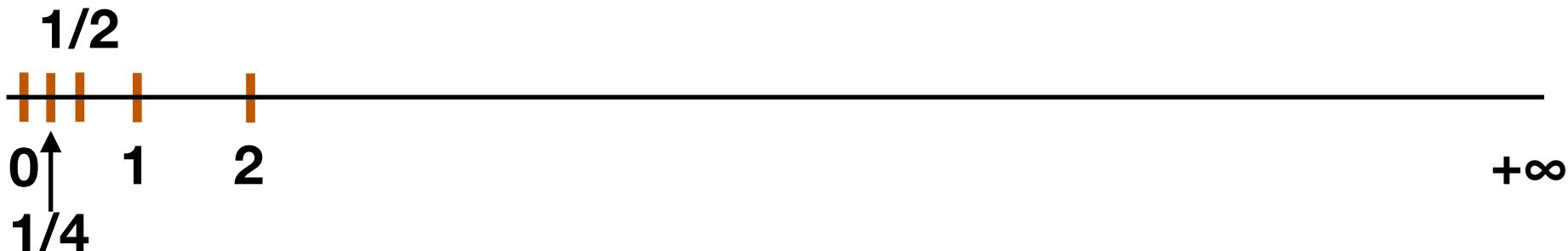


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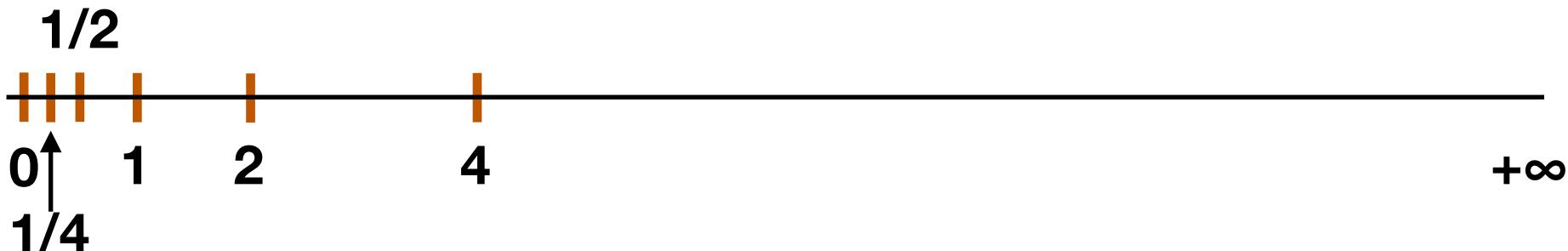


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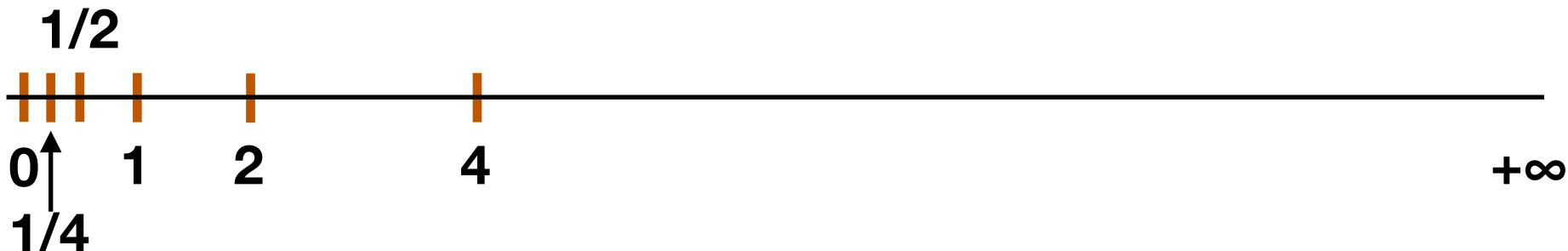


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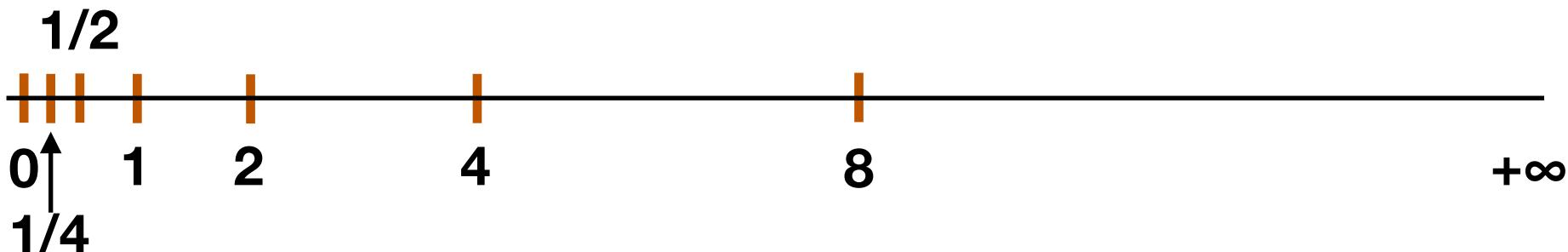


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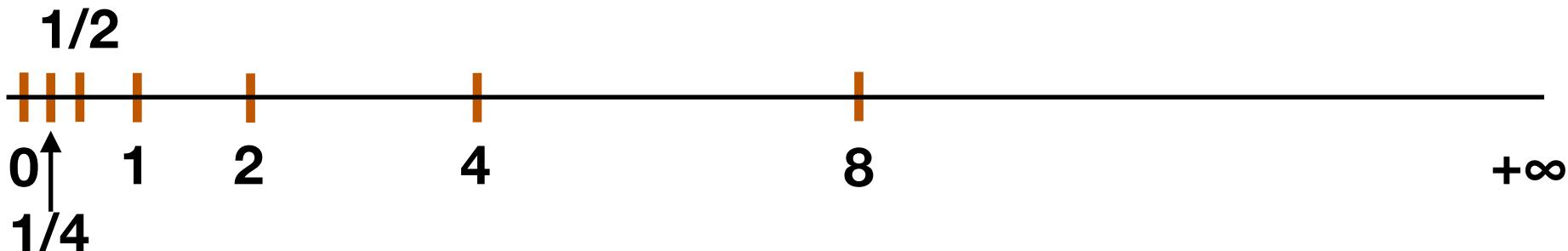


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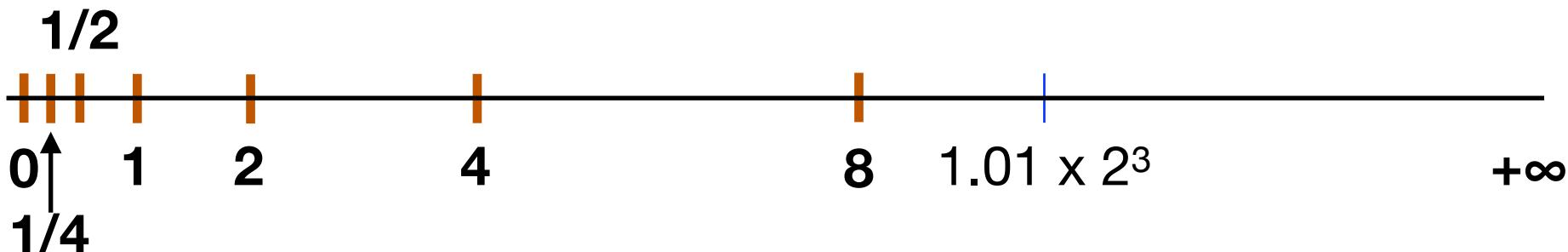


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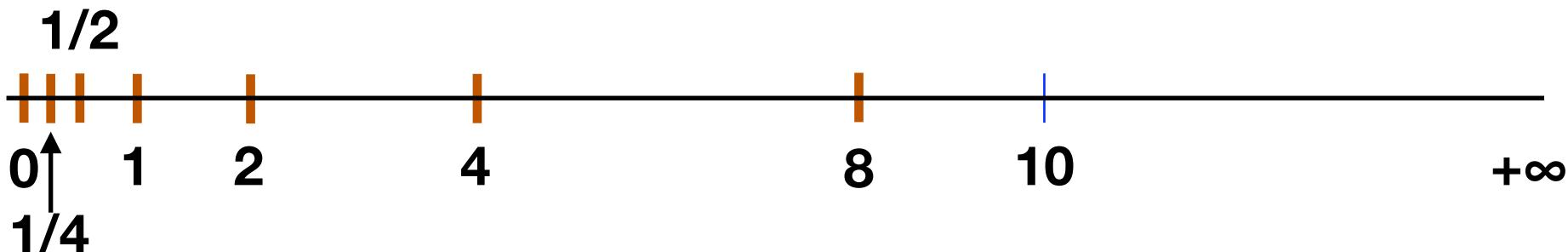


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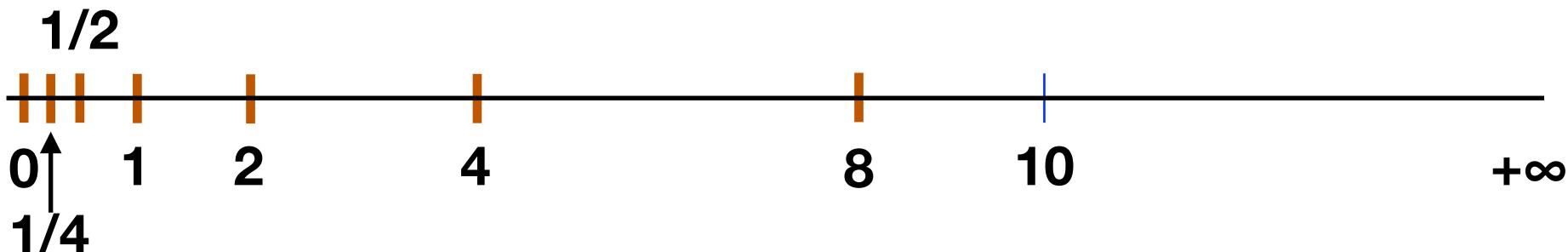


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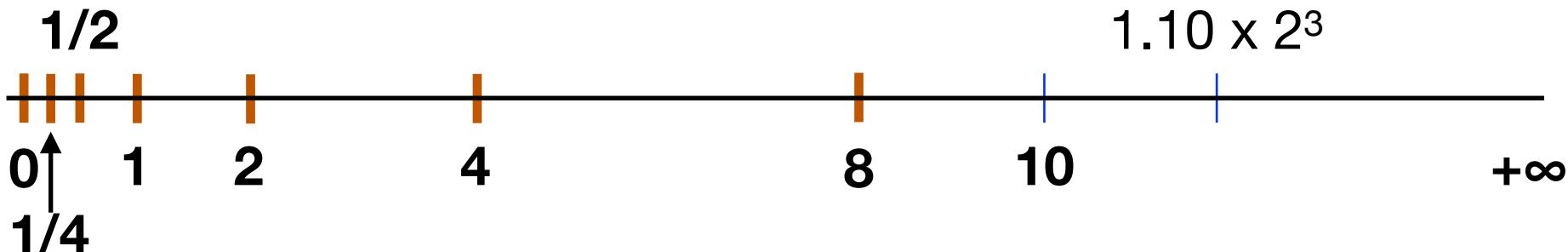


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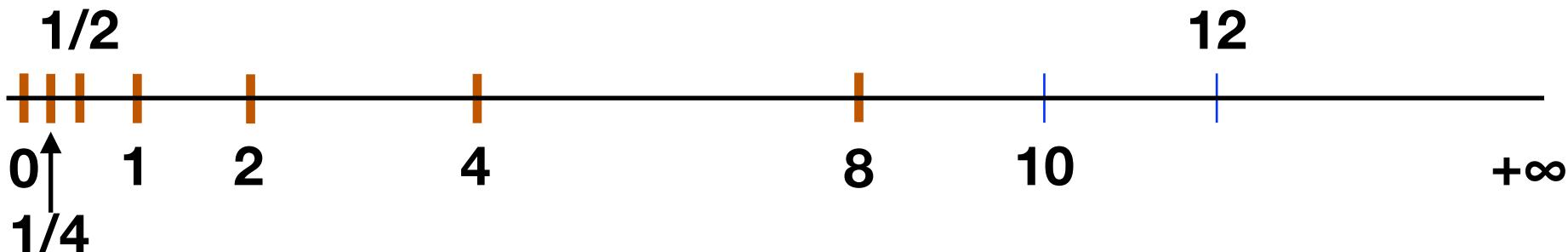


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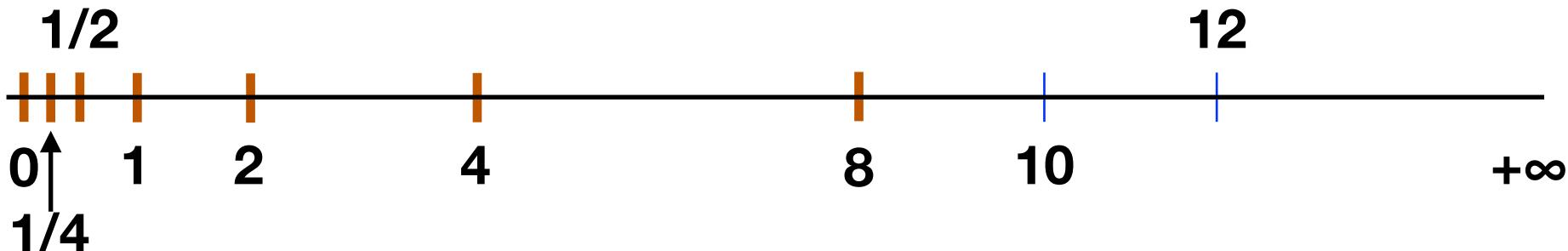


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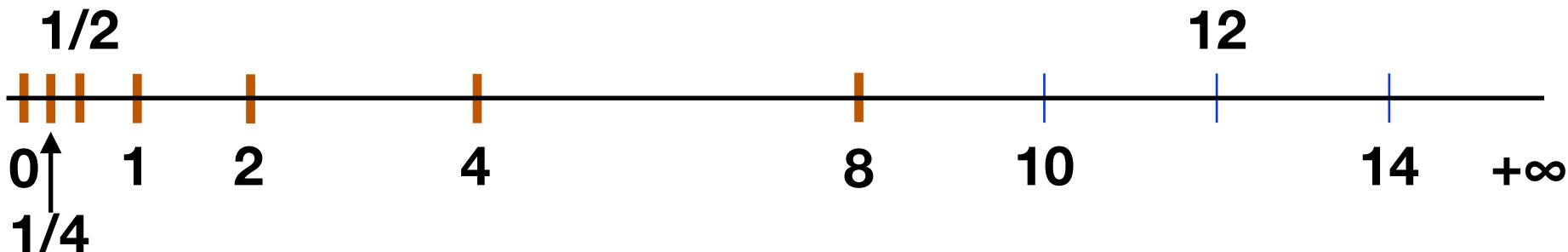


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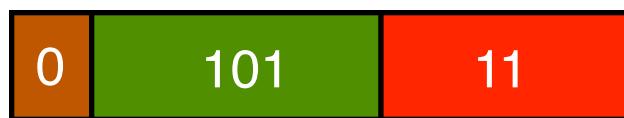


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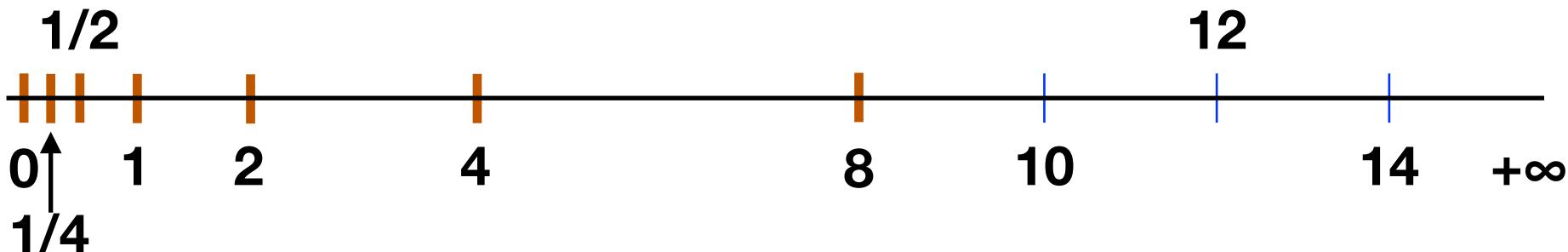


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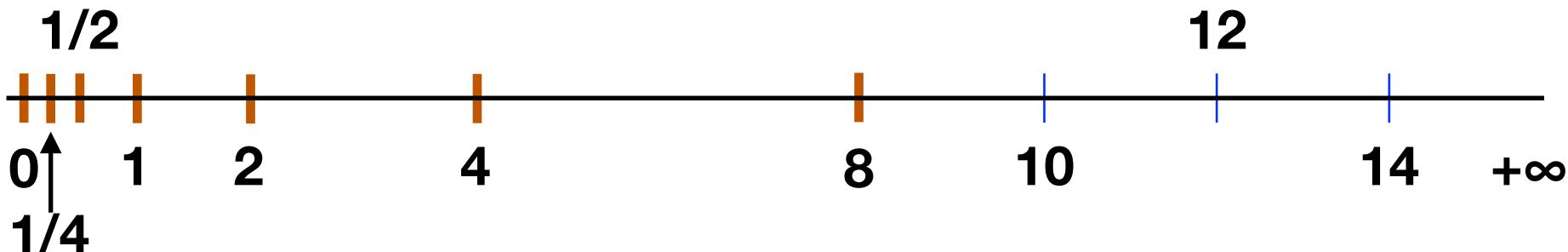


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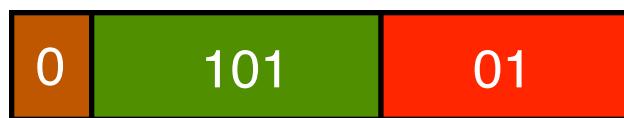


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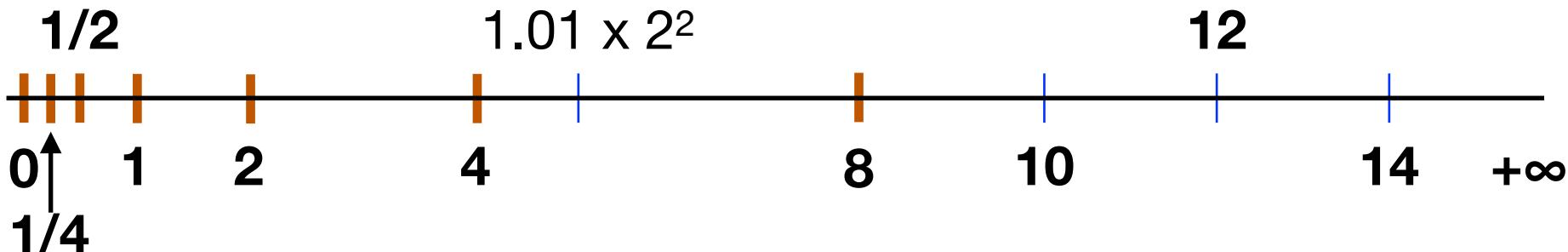


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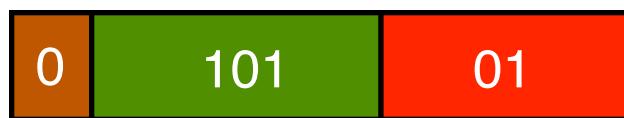


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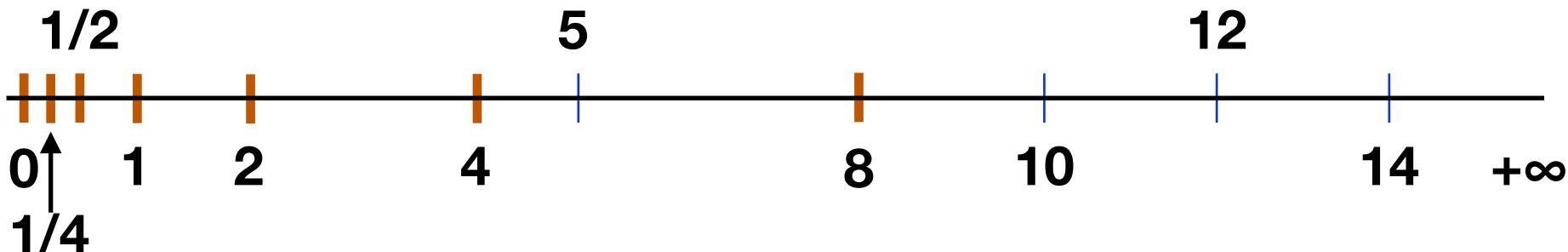


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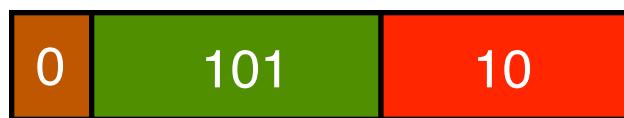


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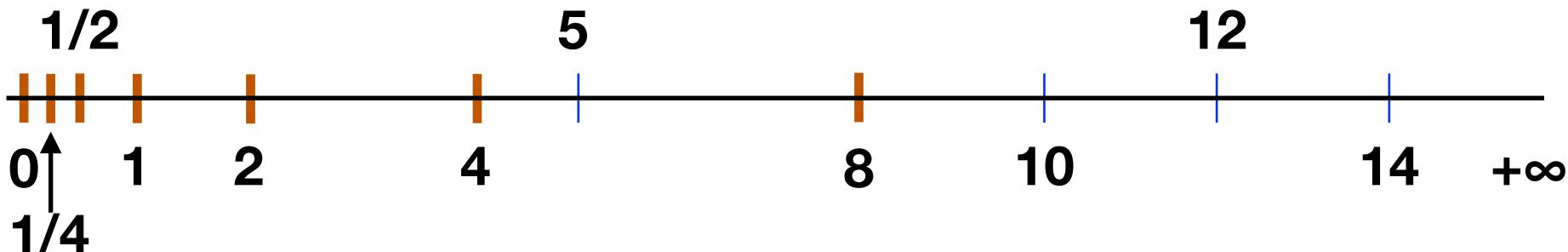


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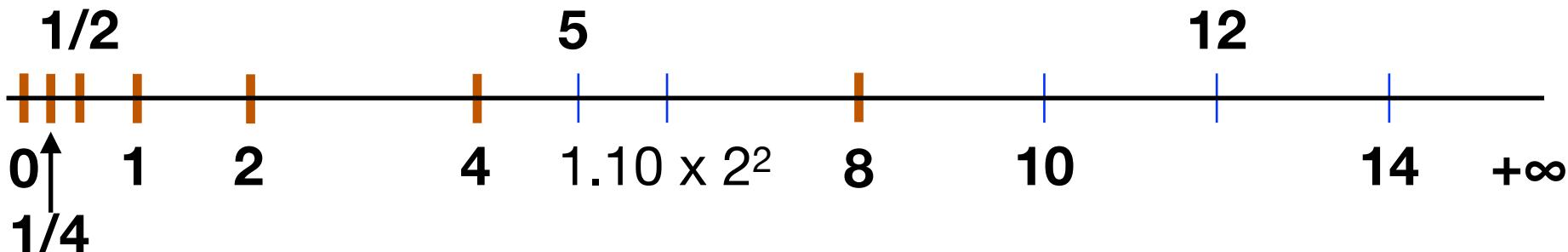


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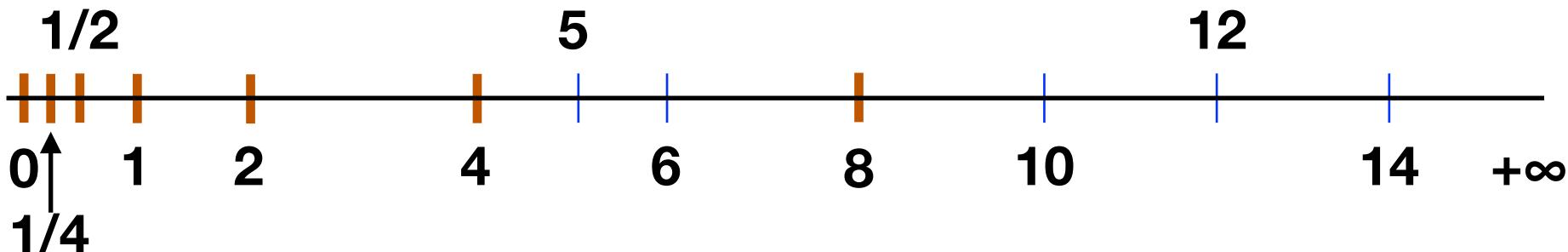


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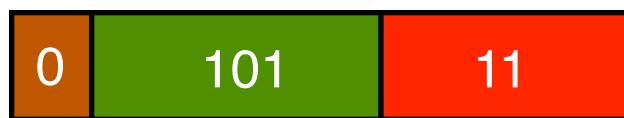


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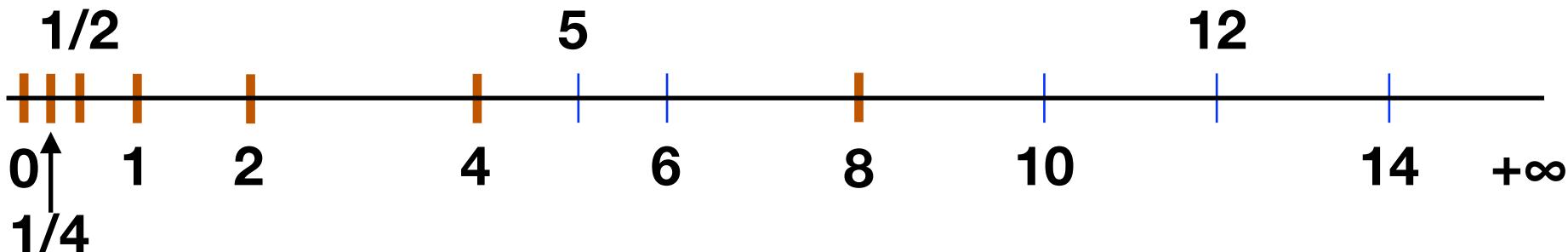


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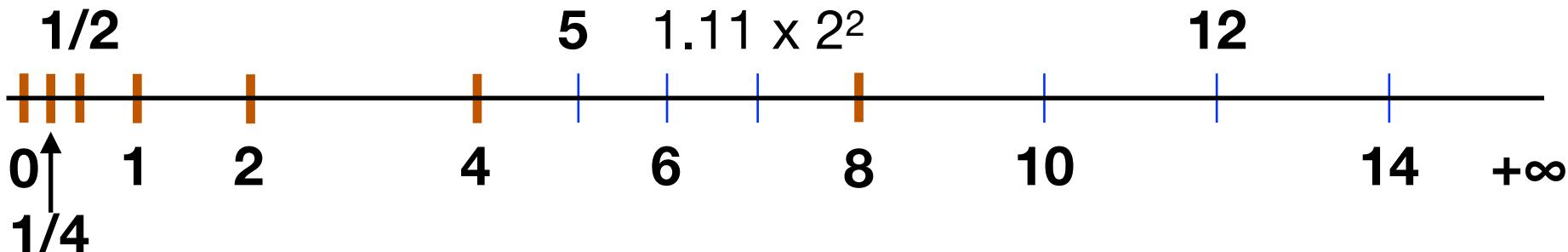


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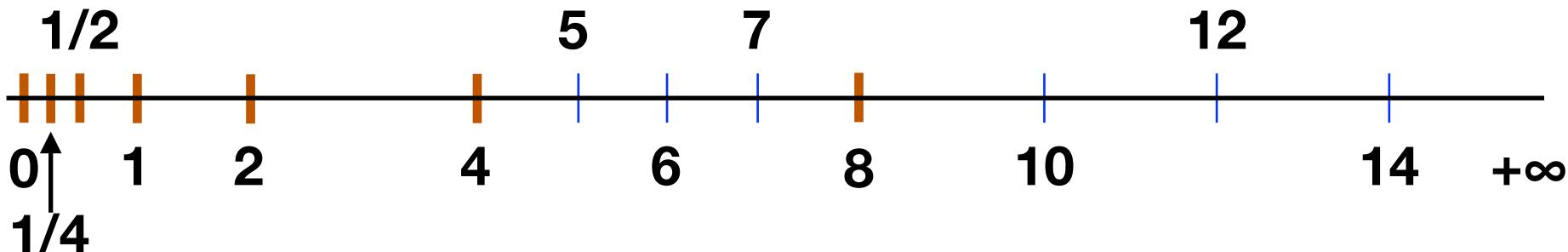


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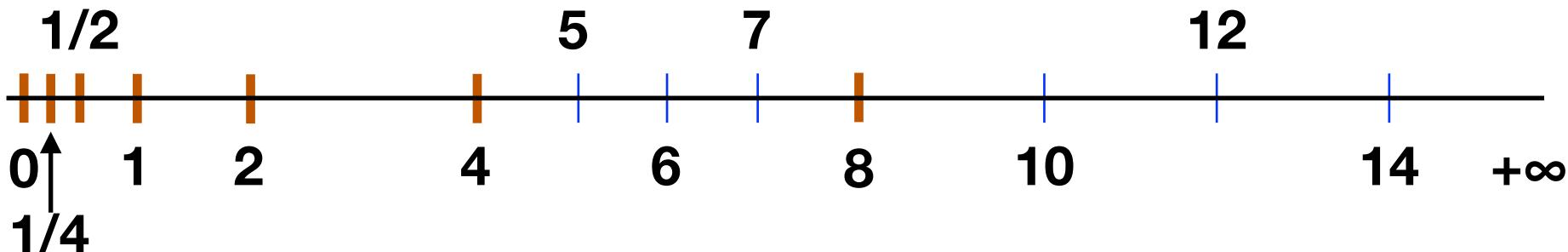


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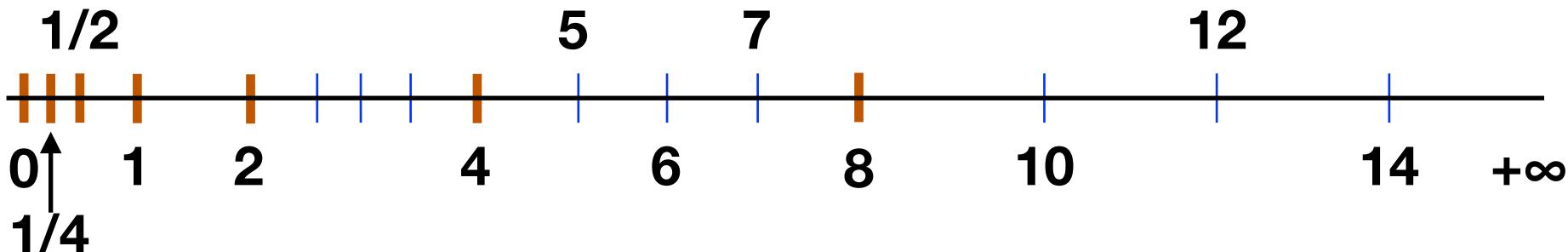


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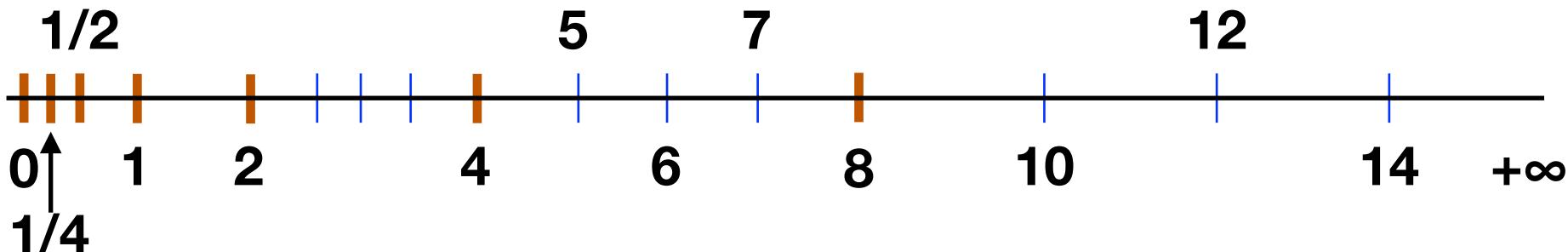


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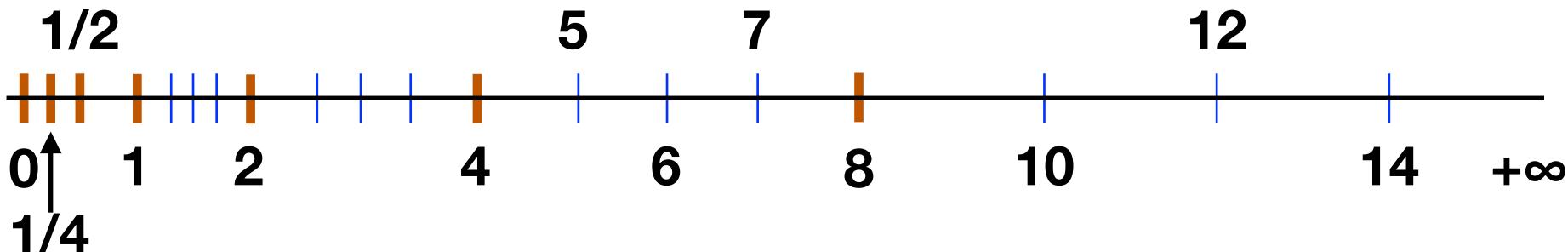


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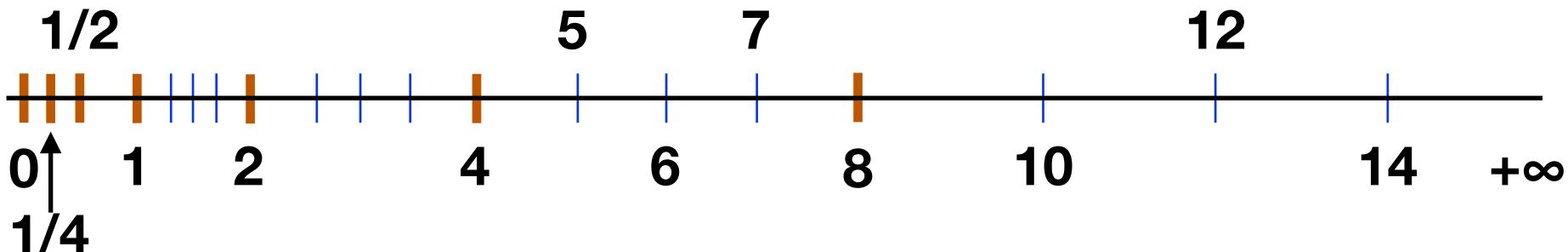


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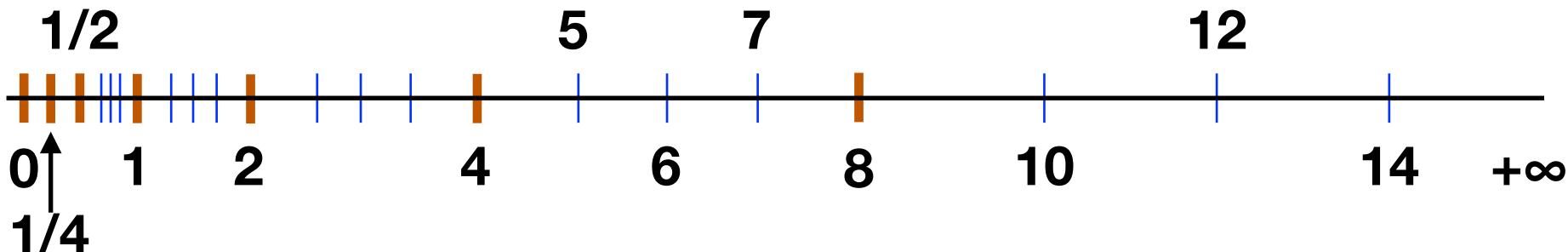


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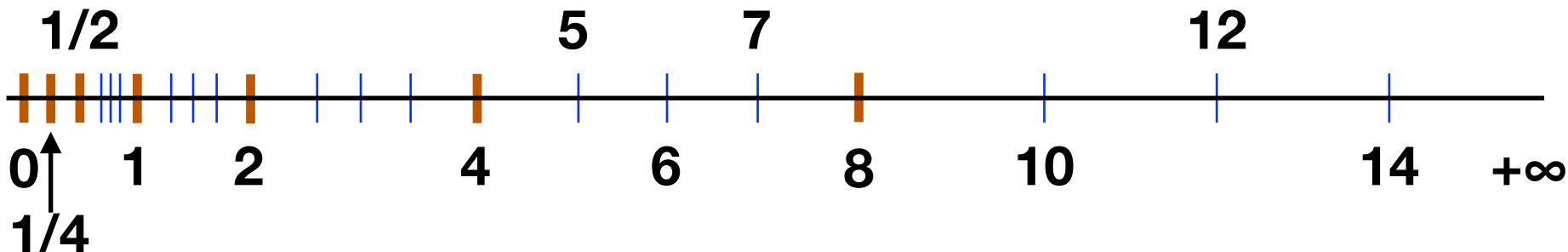


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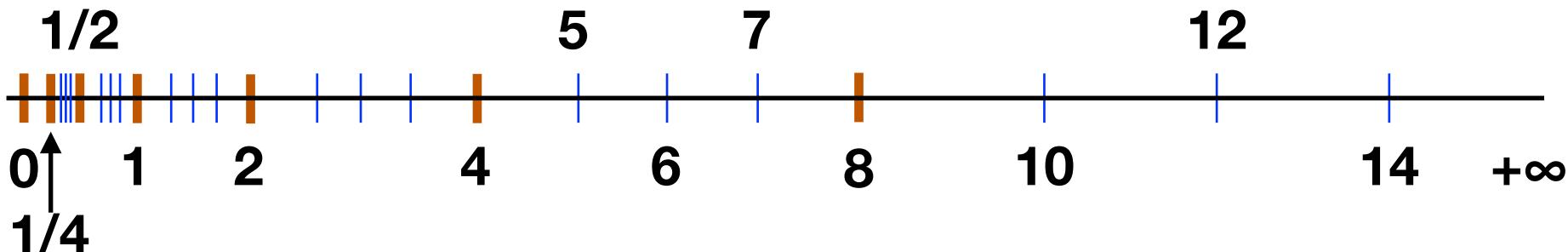


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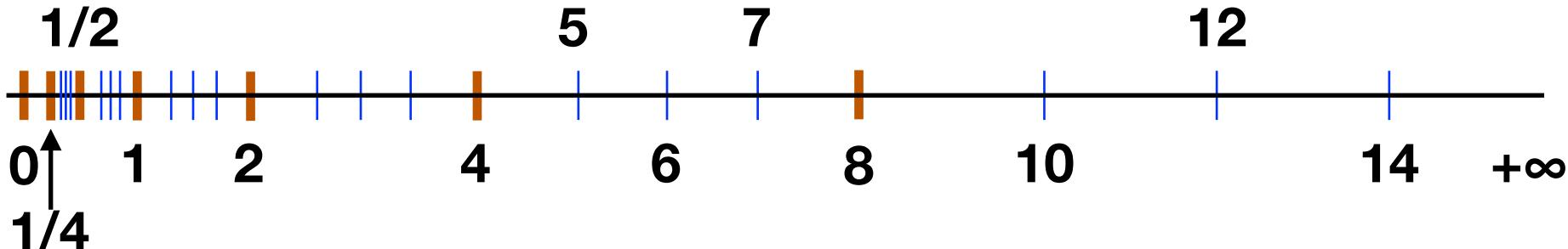
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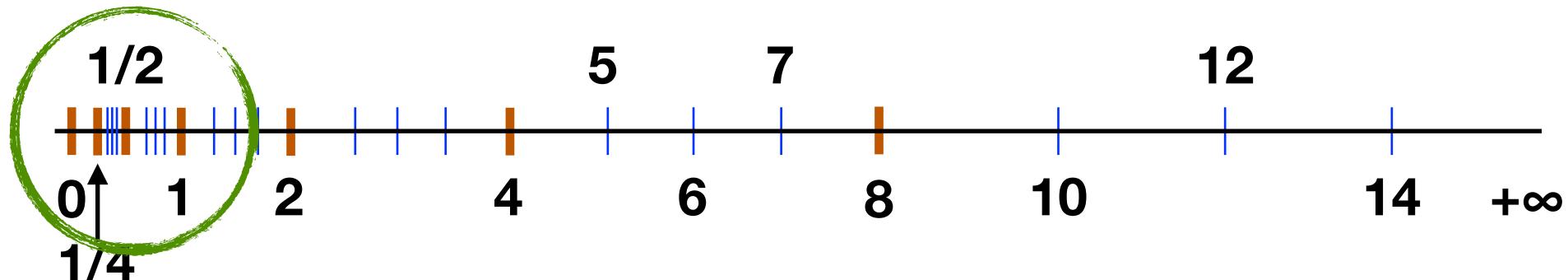
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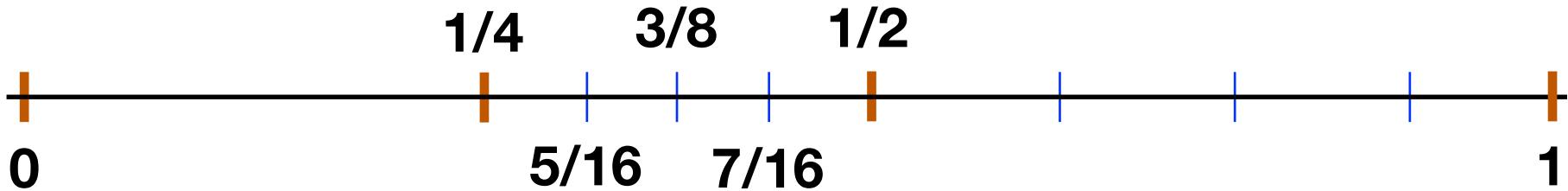


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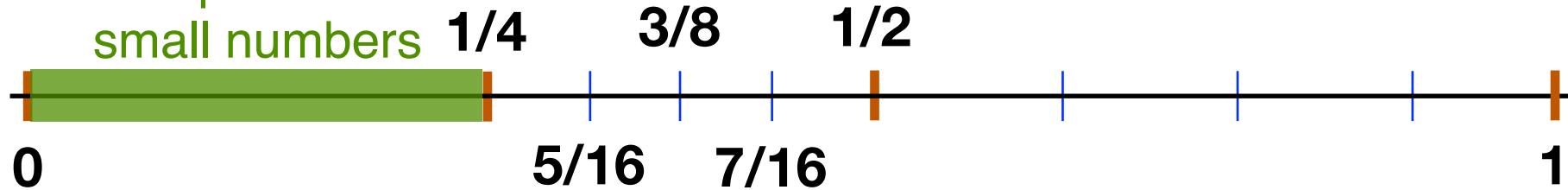
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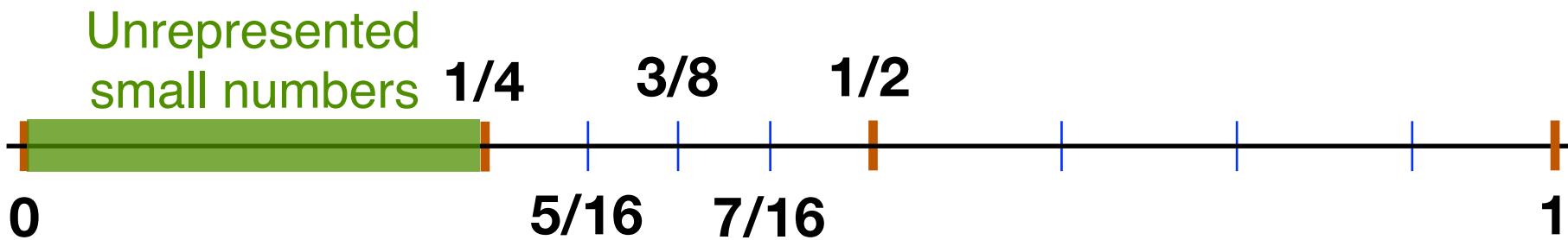
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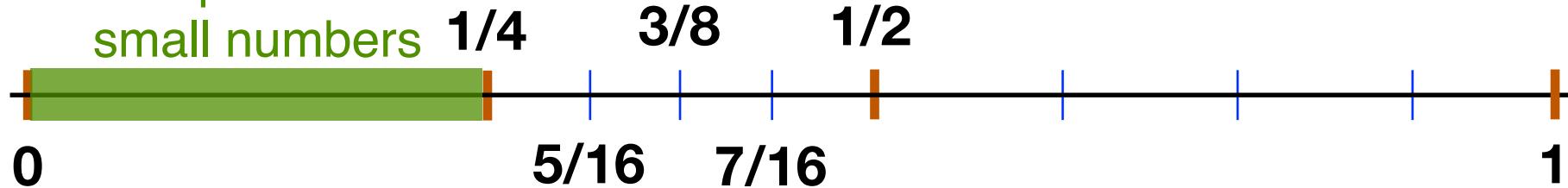
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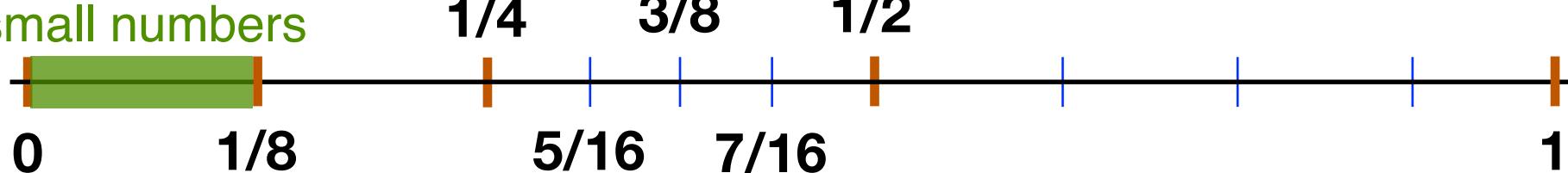
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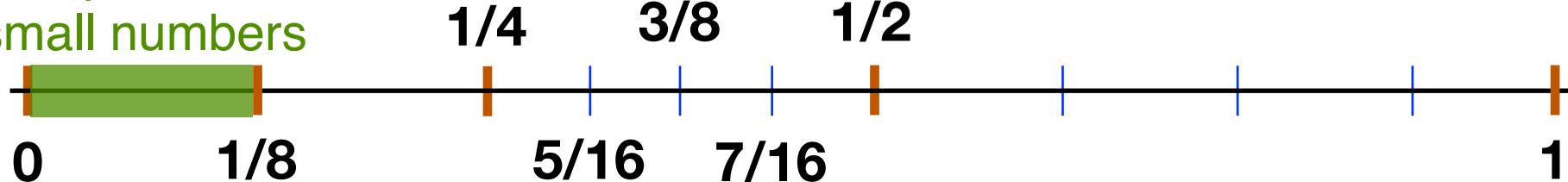
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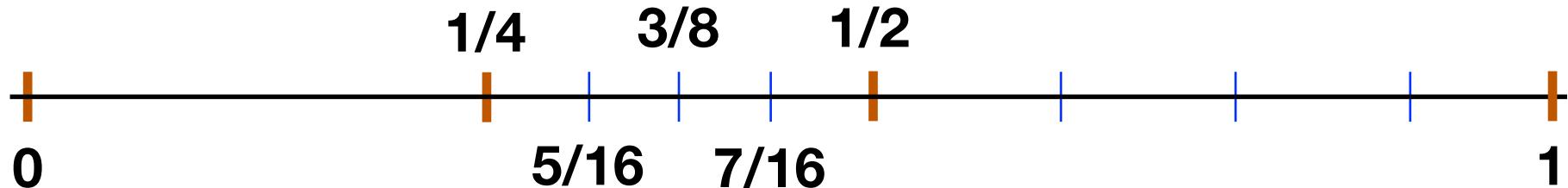
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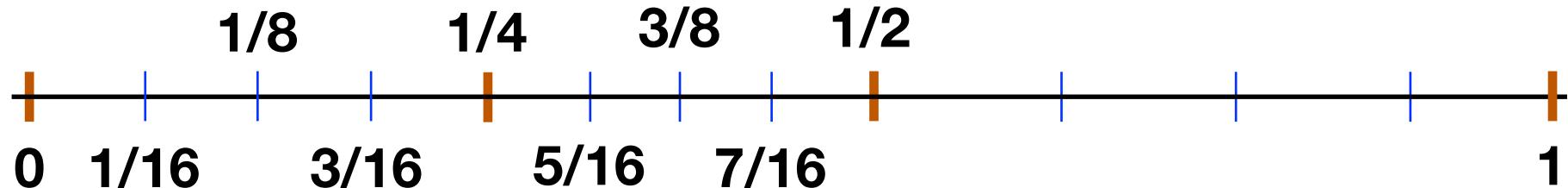
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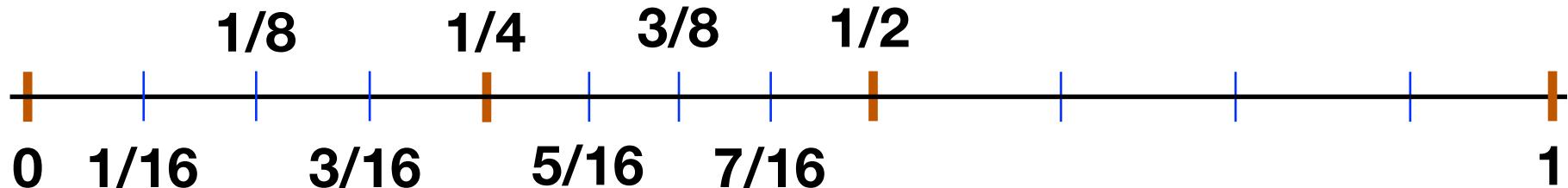
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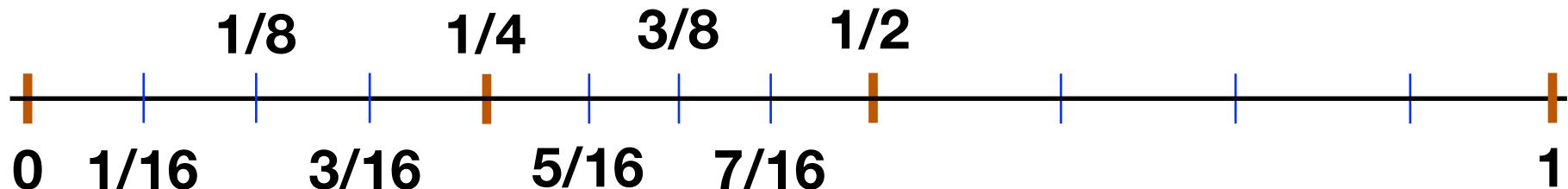
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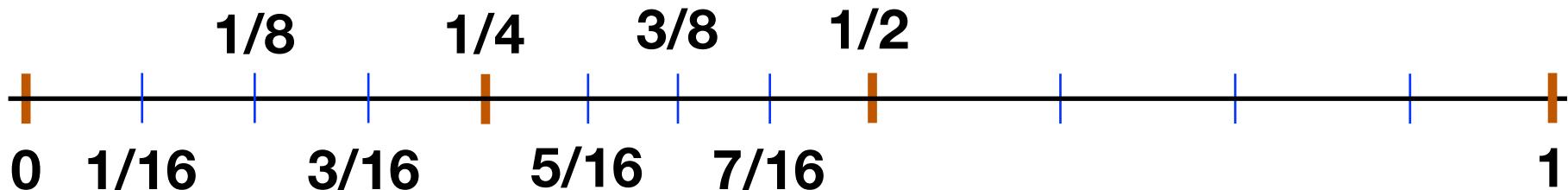
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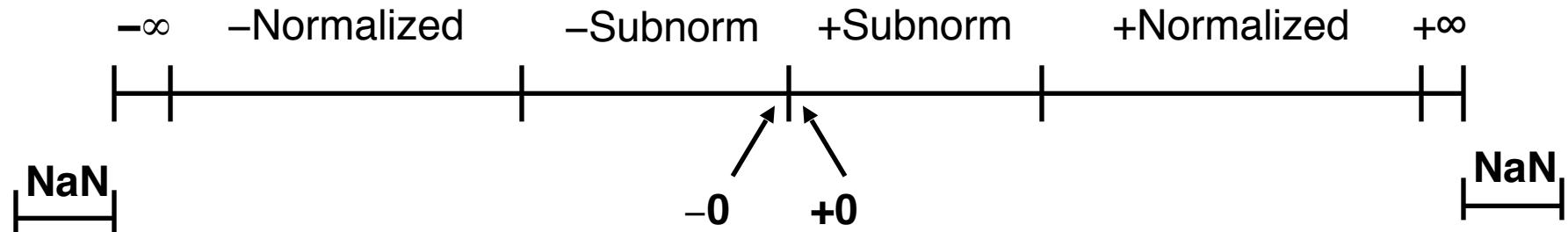
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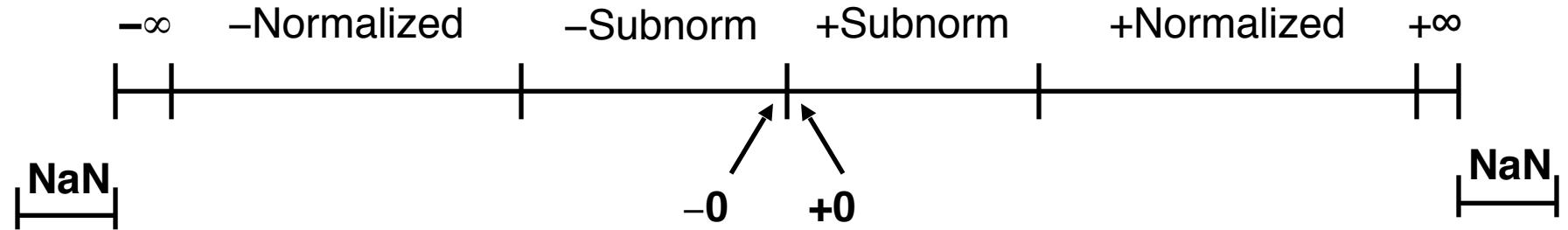
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 - Represent NaNs

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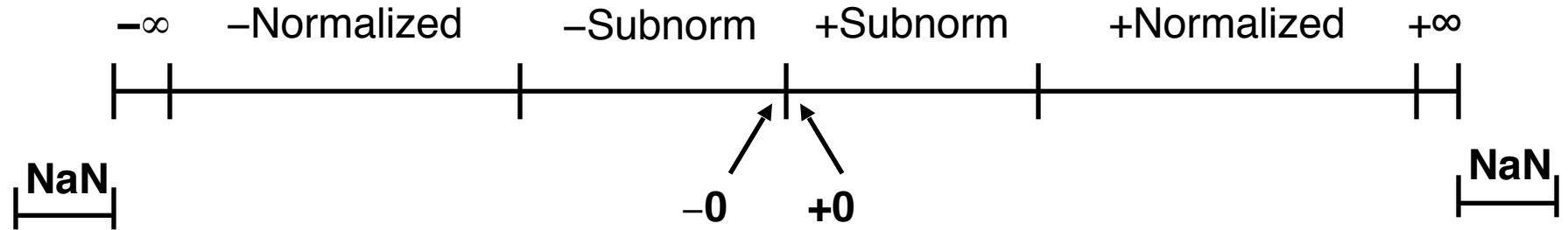
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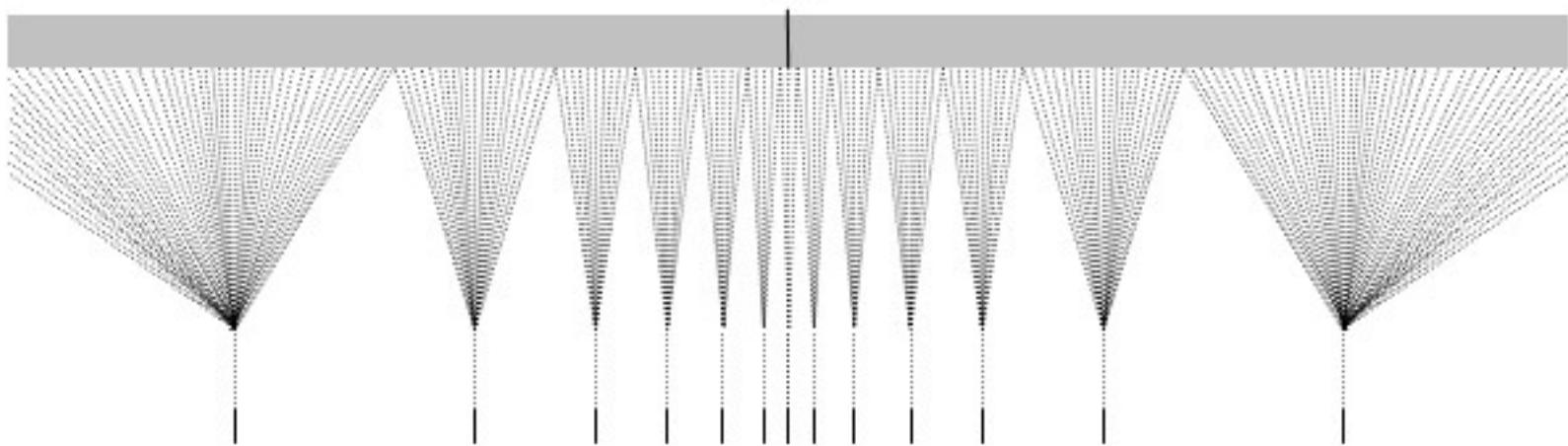
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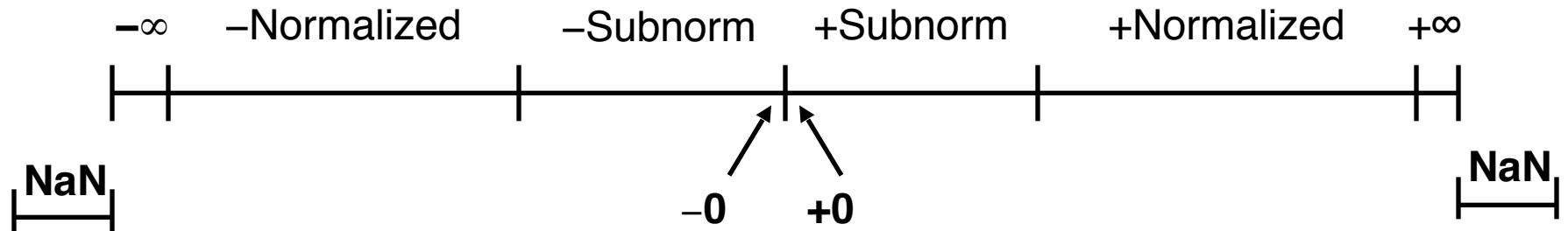


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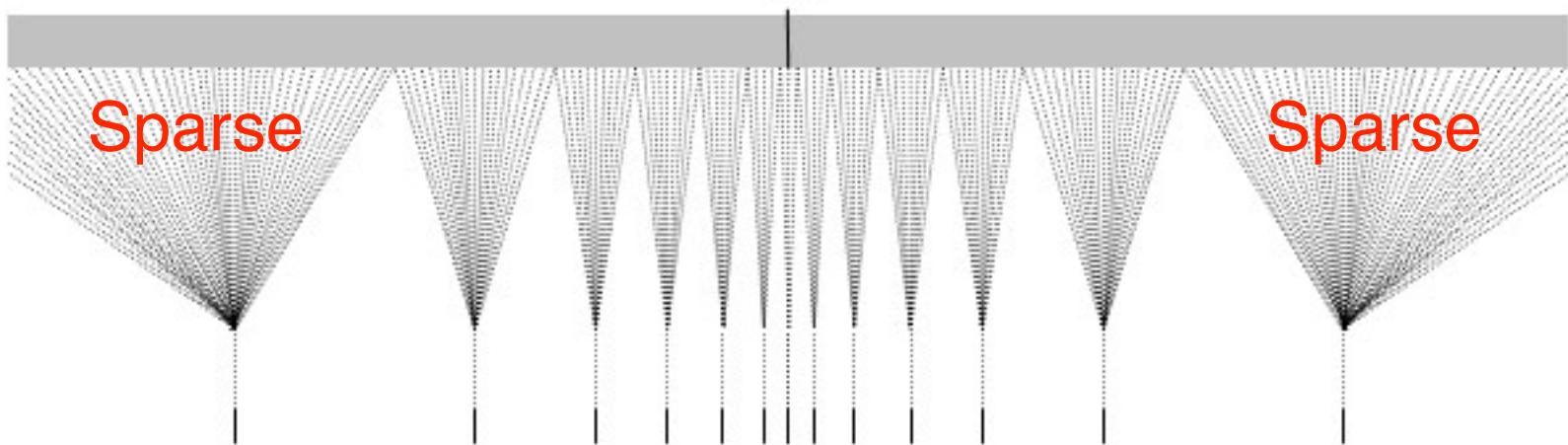


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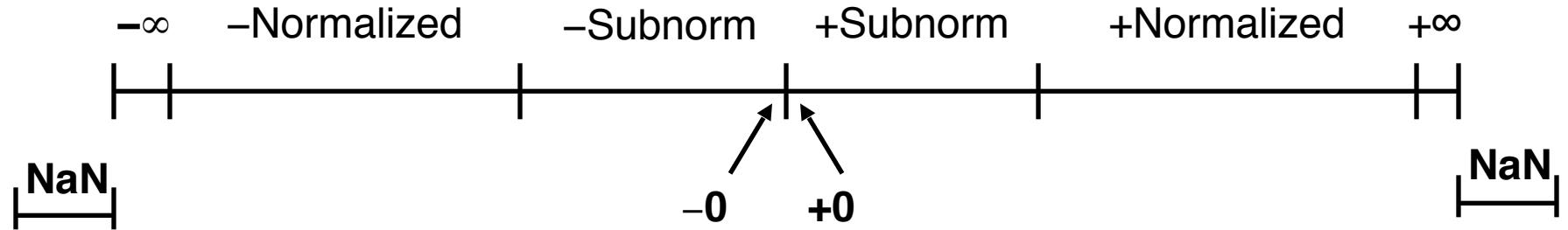


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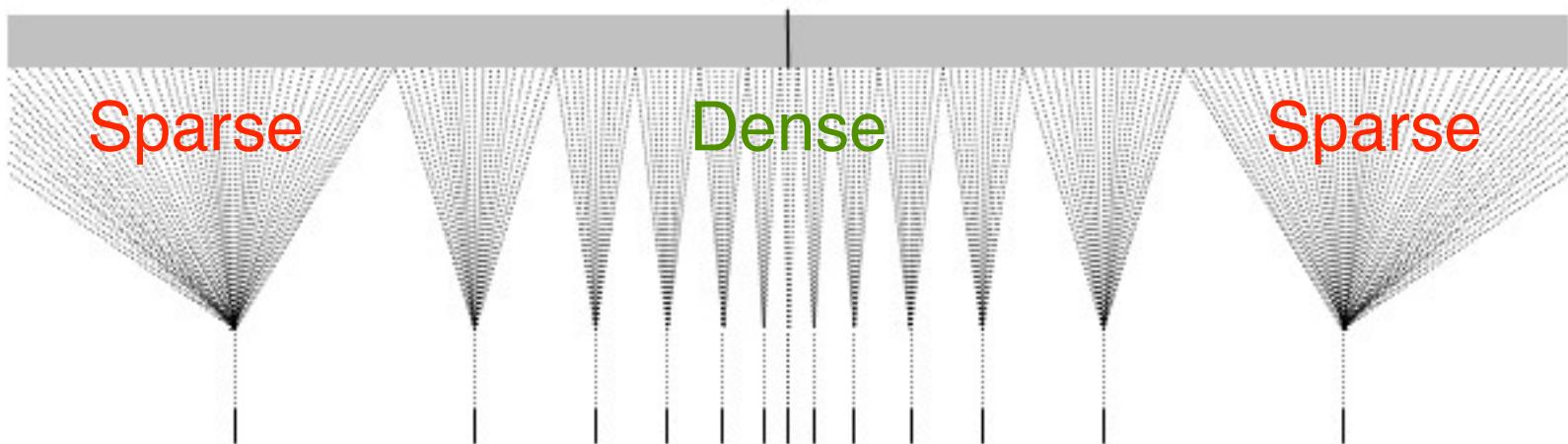


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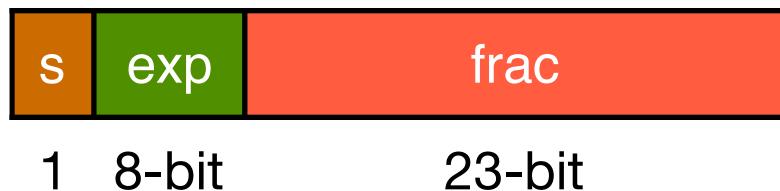
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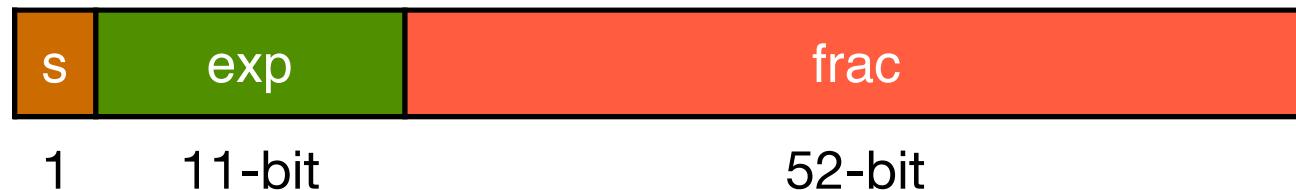
- Background: Fractional binary numbers and fixed-point
- Floating point representation
- IEEE 754 standard
- Rounding, addition, multiplication
- Floating point in C
- Summary

IEEE 754 Floating Point Standard

- Single precision: 32 bits



- Double precision: 64 bits



IEEE Floating Point

- IEEE Standard 754
 - Established in 1985 as uniform standard for floating point arithmetic
 - Before that, many idiosyncratic formats
 - Supported by all major CPUs (and even GPUs and other processors)
- Driven by numerical concerns
 - Nice standards for rounding, overflow, underflow
 - Hard to make fast in hardware
 - Numerical analysts predominated over hardware designers in defining standard

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- Floating point representation
- IEEE 754 standard
- Rounding, addition, multiplication
- Floating point in C
- Summary

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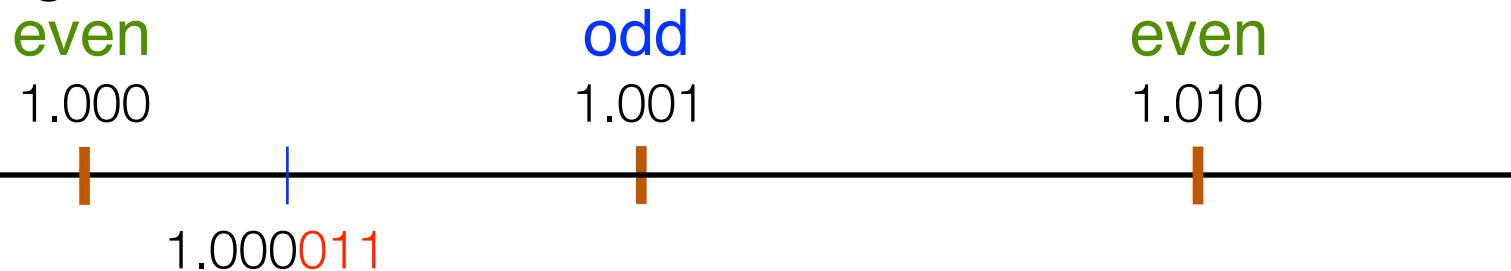
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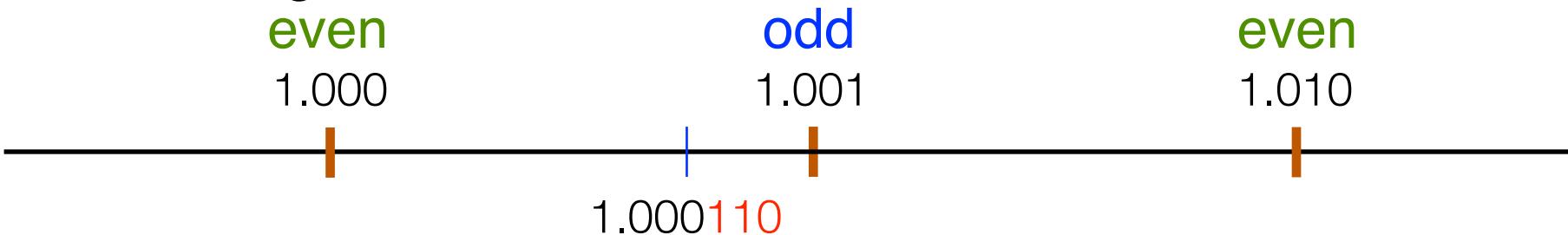


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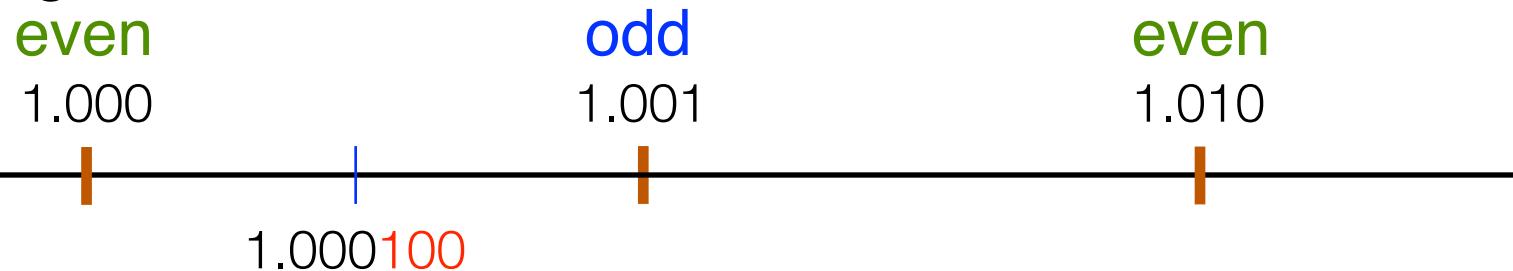
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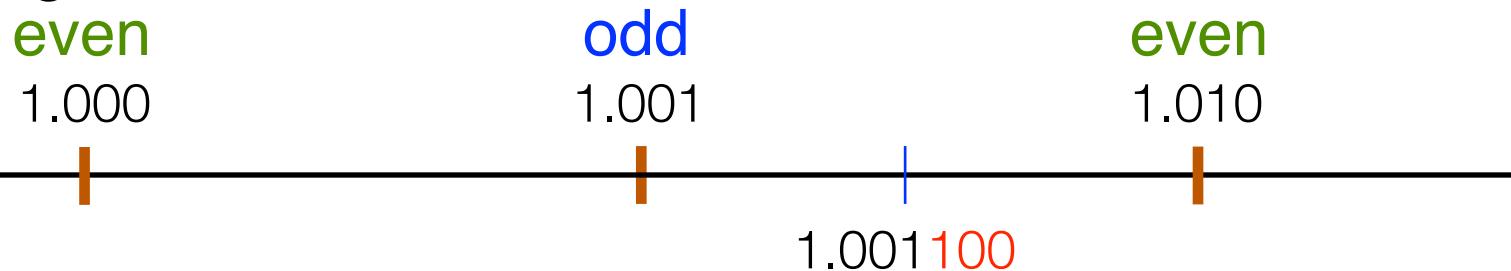


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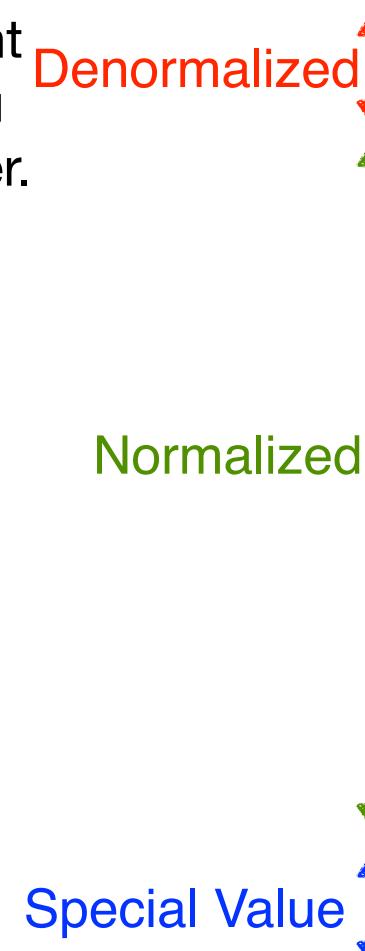
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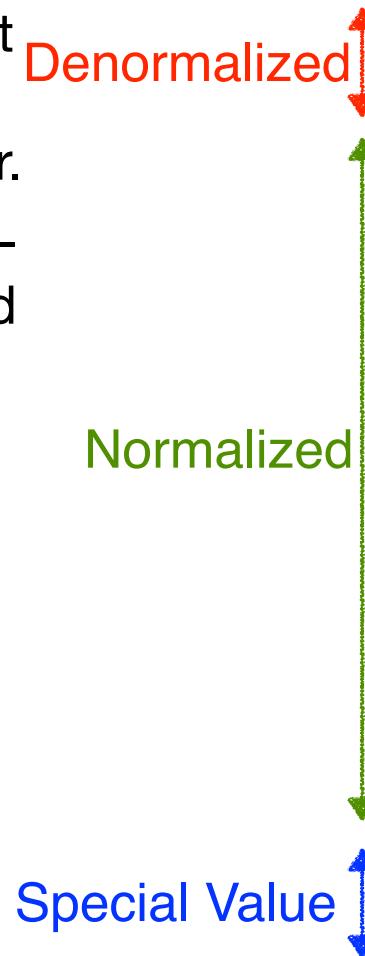
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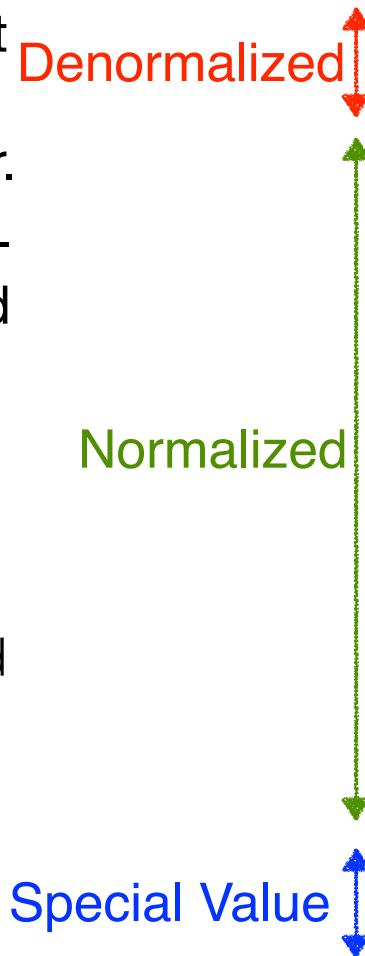
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