

# The `zeckendorf` package

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# Part I.

# User manual

## 1. Mathematical background

Let us recall that the Fibonacci sequence starts with  $F_0 = 0$ ,  $F_1 = 1$ , and obeys the recurrence  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$  for  $n \geq 2$ . So  $F_2 = 1$ ,  $F_3 = 2$ ,  $F_4 = 3$  and by a simple induction  $F_k = k-1$ . Ahem, not at all! Here are the first few, starting at  $F_2 = 1$ :

1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233, 377, 610, 987, 1597, 2584...

**Zeckendorf's** Theorem says that any positive integer has a unique representation as a sum of the Fibonacci numbers  $F_n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , under the conditions that no two indices differ by one, and that no index is repeated. For example:

$$10 = 8 + 2$$

$$100 = 89 + 8 + 3$$

$$1,000 = 987 + 13$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
10,000 &= 6765 + 2584 + 610 + 34 + 5 + 2 \\
100,000 &= 75025 + 17711 + 6765 + 377 + 89 + 21 + 8 + 3 + 1 \\
1,000,000 &= 832040 + 121393 + 46368 + 144 + 55 \\
10,000,000 &= 9227465 + 514229 + 196418 + 46368 + 10946 + 4181 + 377 + 13 + 3 \\
100,000,000 &= F_{39} + F_{37} + F_{35} + F_{32} + F_{30} + F_{28} + F_{23} + F_{21} + F_{15} + F_{13} + F_{11} + F_9 + F_4
\end{aligned}$$

This is called the Zeckendorf representation, and it can be given either as above, or as the list of the indices (in decreasing or increasing order), or as a binary word which in the examples above are

$$\begin{aligned}
10 &= 10010_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
100 &= 1000010100_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
1,000 &= 100000000100000_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
10,000 &= 1010010000010001010_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
100,000 &= 100101000001001001010101_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
1,000,000 &= 10001010000000000010100000000_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
10,000,000 &= 1000001010010010100001000000100100_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
100,000,000 &= 10101001010100001010000010101010000100_{\text{Zeckendorf}} \\
1,000,000,000 &= 1010000100100001010101000001000101000101001_{\text{Zeckendorf}}
\end{aligned}$$

The least significant digit says whether the Zeckendorf representation uses  $F_2$  and so on from right to left (one may prefer to put the binary digits in the reverse order, but doing as above is more reminiscent of binary, decimal, or other representations using a given radix). In the next-to-last example the word length is  $39 - 2 + 1 = 38$ , and in general it is  $K - 1$  where  $K$  is the largest index such that  $F_K$  is at most equal to the given positive integer. For  $1,000,000,000$  this maximal index is  $44$  and indeed the associated word has length  $43$ .

In a Zeckendorf binary word the sub-word  $11$  never occurs, and this, combined with the fact that the leading digit is  $1$ , characterizes the Zeckendorf words.

**Donald Knuth** (whose name may ring some bells to  $\text{\TeX}$  users) has shown that defining  $a \circ b$  as  $\sum_i \sum_j F_{a_i+b_j}$  where the  $a_i$ 's and the  $b_j$ 's are the indices involved in the respective Zeckendorf representations of  $a$  and  $b$  is an associative operation on positive integers (it is obviously commutative).

The Fibonacci recurrence can also be prolonged to negative  $n$ 's, and it turns out that  $F_{-n} = (-1)^{n-1} F_n$ . **Donald Knuth** has shown that any relative integer has a unique representation as a sum of these ``NegaFibonacci'' numbers  $F_{-n}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , again with the condition that no index is repeated and no two indices differ by one. In the special case of zero, the representation is an empty sum. Here is the sequence of these ``NegaFibonacci'' numbers starting at  $n = -1$ :

$$1, -1, 2, -3, 5, -8, 13, -21, 34, -55, 89, -144, 233, -377, 610, -987 \dots$$

## 2. Use on the command line

Open a command line window and execute:

```
etex zeckendorf
```

then follow the displayed instructions.

The (T<sub>E</sub>X Live) `*tex` executables are not linked with the `readline` library, and this makes interactive use quite painful. If you are on a decent system, launch the interactive session rather via

```
rlwrap etex zeckendorf
```

for a smoother experience.

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As expected, add to the preamble:

```
\usepackage{zeckendorf}
```

There are no options.

`xintexpr` is loaded, macros are defined to go from integers to Zeckendorf representations and back, and to compute the Knuth multiplication of positive integers.

`\xintiieval` is extended with the functions `fib()`, `fibseq()`, `zeckindex()` and `zeck()`. The `$` is added to the syntax as infix operator (with same precedence as multiplication) doing the Knuth multiplication.

`\ZeckTheFN` This macro computes Fibonacci numbers.

```
\ZeckTheFN{100}, \ZeckTheFN{100 + 15}\newline
354224848179261915075, 483162952612010163284885
```

As shown, the argument can be an integer expression (only in the sense of `\inteval`, not in the one of `\xinteval`, for example you can not have powers only additions and multiplications). Negative arguments are allowed:

```
\ZeckTheFN{0}, \ZeckTheFN{-1}, \ZeckTheFN{-2}, \ZeckTheFN{-3},
\ZeckTheFN{-4}
0, 1, -1, 2, -3
```

The syntax of `\xintiieval` is extended via addition of a `fib()` function, which gives a convenient interface:

```
\xintiieval{seq(fib(n), n=-5..5, 10, 20, 100)}
5, -3, 2, -1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 55, 6765, 354224848179261915075
```

```
\xintiieval{seq(fib(2^n), n=1..7)}
1, 3, 21, 987, 2178309, 10610209857723, 251728825683549488150424261
```

`\ZeckTheFSeq` This computes not only one but a whole contiguous series of Fibonacci numbers but its output format is a sequence of braced numbers, and tools such as those of `xinttools` are needed to manipulate its output. For this reason it is not further documented here.

The syntax of `\xintiieval` is extended via addition of a `fibseq()` function, which gives a convenient interface:

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```
\xintiieval{fibseq(10,20)}\newline
```

```
[55, 89, 144, 233, 377, 610, 987, 1597, 2584, 4181, 6765]
```

Notice the square brackets used on output. In the terminology of `xintexpr`, the function produces a `nutple`. Use the `*` prefix to remove the brackets:

```
\xintiieval{reversed(*fibseq(-20,-10))}
```

```
-55, 89, -144, 233, -377, 610, -987, 1597, -2584, 4181, -6765
```

**IMPORTANT:** currently, `fibseq(a,b)` falls into an infinite loop if  $a \geq b$ . Use it only with  $a < b$ . Above we used the `reversed()` function to get the output in order from  $F_{-10}$  to  $F_{-20}$  and not from  $F_{-20}$  to  $F_{-10}$ .

**\ZeckIndex** This computes the largest index  $k$  such that  $F_k \leq x$ , where  $x$  is the input. The input is only  $f$ -expanded, if you need it to be an expression you must wrap it in `\xintiieval`.

The syntax of `\xintiieval` is extended via addition of a `zeckindex()` function, which gives a more convenient interface.

**IMPORTANT:** The input **must be positive** (for now). No check is made that this is the case.

**Note:** Input must not have more than a few thousand decimal digits.

```
\ZeckIndex{123456789123456789123456789123456789}
```

```
169
```

```
\ZeckTheFN{\ZeckIndex{123456789123456789123456789123456789}}
```

```
93202207781383214849429075266681969
```

```
\ZeckTheFN{1+\ZeckIndex{123456789123456789123456789123456789}}
```

```
150804340016807970735635273952047185
```

```
\ZeckIndex{\xintiieval{2^100}}
```

```
145
```

```
\xintiieval{zeckindex(2^100)}
```

```
145
```

```
\xintiieval{fib(zeckindex(2^100))}
```

```
898923707008479989274290850145
```

```
\xintiieval{2^100}
```

```
1267650600228229401496703205376
```

```
\xintiieval{fib(1 + zeckindex(2^100))}
```

```
1454489111232772683678306641953
```

```
\xintiieval{seq(zeckindex(10^n), n = 0..40)}
```

```
2, 6, 11, 16, 20, 25, 30, 35, 39, 44, 49, 54, 59, 63, 68, 73, 78, 83, 87,
92, 97, 102, 106, 111, 116, 121, 126, 130, 135, 140, 145, 150, 154, 159,
164, 169, 173, 178, 183, 188, 193
```

**\ZeckIndices** This computes the Zeck representation as a comma separated list of indices. The input is only  $f$ -expanded, if you need it to be an expression you must wrap it in `\xintiieval`.

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The macro is also known as `\ZeckZeck`.

The syntax of `\xintiieval` is extended via addition of a `zeck()` function, which gives a more convenient interface.

**IMPORTANT:** The input **must be positive**. No check is made that this is the case.

**Note:** Input must not have more than a few thousand decimal digits.

```
\ZeckZeck{123456789123456789123456789}
126, 123, 119, 117, 109, 104, 101, 95, 93, 90, 86, 84, 81, 76, 72, 69,
63, 61, 59, 55, 52, 50, 46, 41, 39, 37, 35, 33, 31, 29, 27, 25, 23, 20,
14, 11, 9, 6, 4, 2
```

The `zeck()` function produces a *nutple* (see `xintexpr` documentation), and this shows in the presence of brackets in the output. You can use the `*` prefix to unpack.

```
\xintiieval{zeck(123456789)}\newline
\xintiieval{reversed(zeck(123456789))}\newline
\xintiieval{*zeck(123456789)}\newline
\xintiieval{*reversed(zeck(123456789))}
[40, 36, 34, 28, 26, 24, 18, 16, 13, 7, 5, 2]
[2, 5, 7, 13, 16, 18, 24, 26, 28, 34, 36, 40]
40, 36, 34, 28, 26, 24, 18, 16, 13, 7, 5, 2
2, 5, 7, 13, 16, 18, 24, 26, 28, 34, 36, 40
```

The power of the `\xintiieval` syntax can be demonstrated:

```
\xintiieval{add(fib(n), n = *zeck(123456789))}
123456789

\xintiieval{add(fib(n), n = *zeck(123456789123456789123456789))}
123456789123456789123456789
```

**$\TeX$ -nical note:** There is also `\ZeckBList` which produces the indices as a sequence of braced items. To manipulate conveniently such outputs you need macros from `xinttools` or from `\TeX`3. It is easier to use the powerful `\xintiieval` interface such as for example:

```
The first five indices are \xintiieval{*zeck(123456789123456789123456789)[:5]}.
The first five indices are 126, 123, 119, 117, 109.
```

```
The Zeckendorf representation of 123456789123456789123456789 uses
\xintiieval{len(zeck(123456789123456789123456789))} Fibonacci numbers.
The Zeckendorf representation of 123456789123456789123456789 uses 40 Fibonacci num-
bers.
```

**\ZeckWord** This computes the Zeck representation as a binary word. The input is only *f*-expanded, if you need it to be an expression you must wrap it in `\xintiieval`.

**IMPORTANT:** The input **must be positive**. No check is made that this is the case.

**Note:** Input must not have more than a few thousand decimal digits.

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```
\ZeckWord{123456789}
1000101000000101010000010100100000101001
```

```
\ZeckWord{\xintiieval{2^40}}
10001000000010000010100000101010101010001000101010100010
```

As  $\TeX$  does not by default split long strings of digits at the line ends, we gave so far only some small examples. See `xint` or `bnumexpr` documentations for a `\printnumber` macro able to add linebreaks. Using such an auxiliary (a bit refined) we can for example obtain this:

```
\ZeckWord{\xintiieval{2^100}}
10100000100100101010101000100000000100100100101010001010010000100100
101001000000000101000010010101010000000101001000100000000010010010001
0010010100
```

Compare the above with the list of indices in the Zeckendorf representation: 145, 143, 137, 134, 131, 129, 127, 125, 123, 120, 111, 108, 105, 102, 100, 98, 94, 92, 89, 84, 81, 78, 76, 73, 64, 62, 57, 54, 52, 50, 48, 41, 39, 36, 32, 22, 19, 16, 12, 9, 6, 4.

**\ZeckNFromIndices** This computes an integer from a list of (comma separated) indices. These indices do not have to be positive, their order is indifferent and they can be repeated or differ by only one unit. The list is allowed to be empty. Contiguous commas (or commas separated only by space characters) act as a single one, a final comma is tolerated. A new  $f$ -expansion is done at each item, they can be ( $f$ -expandable) macros.

```
\ZeckNFromIndices{}\newline
\ZeckNFromIndices{100, , , 90, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30 , , , ,}
0
357128524055170099155
```

```
\ZeckIndices{357128524055170099155}
100, 90, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30
```

```
\ZeckIndices{\ZeckNFromIndices{100, 90, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30}}
100, 90, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30
```

```
\ZeckNFromIndices{3,-1,4,-1,5,-9,2,-6,5,-3}
46
```

There is no associated `\xintiieval` function (currently) but it is a one-liner in its syntax:

```
\xintiieval{add(fib(i), i= 100, 90, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30)}
357128524055170099155
```

```
\xintiieval{add(fib(i), i= 3, -1, 4, -1, 5, -9, 2, -6, 5, -3)}
46
```

```
\xintiieval{add(fib(i), i = *zeck(1e60))}
10000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000
```

**\ZeckNFromWord** This computes a positive integer from a binary word. The word can be arbitrary apart from not being empty.

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```
\ZeckNFromWord{1}, \ZeckNFromWord{11}, \ZeckNFromWord{111},  
\ZeckNFromWord{1111}, \ZeckNFromWord{11111}
```

1, 3, 6, 11, 19

```
\ZeckNFromWord{\xintReplicate{30}{10}}
4052739537880
```

```
\ZeckWord{4052739537880}
```

**\ZeckMul** This computes the Knuth multiplication of its two **positive** integer arguments. The two arguments are only  $f$ -expanded, you need to wrap each in an **\xintieval** if it is an expression.

The syntax of `\xintiiieval` is extended via addition of a `$` infix operator, which gives a more convenient interface.

$\backslash \text{ZeckKMul}\{100\}\{200\}$   
44800

`\ZeckKMul{\ZeckKMul{100}{200}}{300}`  
30079200

$\backslash\text{ZeckKMul}\{100\}\{\backslash\text{ZeckKMul}\{200\}\{300\}\}$   
30079200

```
\xintiieval{100 $ 200, (100 $ 200) $ 300, 100 $ (200 $ 300)}
44800, 30079200, 30079200
```

The implementation is done via the Knuth definition: each operand is converted to a Zeckendorf representation, the indices are added and the sum of Fibonacci numbers is computed. Let us mention here that we could have defined a `knuth()` function easily using the powerful `\xintieval` syntax:<sup>1</sup>

```
\xintNewFunction{knuth}[2]
  {add(fib(x), x = flat(ndmap(+, *zeck(#1); *zeck(#2);)))}
\xintiieval{knuth(100,200), knuth(knuth(100,200),300),
            knuth(100,knuth(200,300))}
44800.30079200.30079200
```

The advantage of knowing this is that we can now check that our intuition about what happens when we compute  $(a \text{ } \$ \text{ } b) \text{ } \$ \text{ } c$ , which Knuth proved to be the same as  $a \text{ } \$ \text{ } (b \text{ } \$ \text{ } c)$ , is valid:

```
\xintNewFunction{knuththree}[3]
{add(fib(x), x= flat(ndmap(+, *zeck(#1); *zeck(#2); *zeck(#3);)))}
\xintiieval{knuththree(100, 200, 300)}
\newline
\xintiieval{knuththree(1000, 2000, 3000), (1000 $ 2000) $ 3000,
1000 $ (2000 $ 3000)}
```

<sup>1</sup>We could not have used `\xintdefiifunc` here to define `knuth()`, so we used the `\xintNewFunction` interface. The sole inconvenient is that when using `knuth()` it is as if we injected by hand the replacement expression, which will have to be parsed by `\xintiieval`.

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```
30079200
29998632000, 29998632000, 29998632000
```

**\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator** This takes as input one or more characters and make them work as infix operator inside of **\xintiieval** to compute the Knuth multiplication. The pre-defined use of **\$** for this will not be canceled. You need to also do **\ZeckDeleteOperator{}** if you want this meaning of **\$** to be lost. In general repeated usage will only extend the list of operators doing the Knuth multiplication without removing the previously defined ones, except if **\ZeckDeleteOperator** is used for them.

Careful! If you do for example **\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator{}** the meaning of **\*** in **\xintiieval** will be overwritten and is not recoverable (except for experts, of which there is only one). But if done inside a group or environment, the former meaning will be recovered on exit.

A possible choice is to use rather **\$\$**. This may help avoiding syntax highlighting problems in your editor (or make them worse as I am currently experimenting while writing this).

```
\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator{$$}
\xintiieval{100 $$ 200 $$ 300}
```

```
30079200
```

There are a few important points to stress:

- You can use a letter such as **o** as operator but it then must be used prefixed by **\string** which is not convenient:

```
\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator{o}
\xintiieval{100 \string o 200 \string o 300}
```

```
30079200
```

- In case your document uses Babel and some characters are catcode active, you must prefix them with **\string** in the argument of **\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator**, but **\string** is then *unnneeded* inside **\xintiieval** (requires **xintexpr 1.4n** or later).
- **There is no warning** if you overrule an already existing operator, hence break some parts of the syntax. For example **++** is already an operator. Worse, some such multi-character operators are defined for internal reasons and not documented at user level, so bad surprises can happen.
- Trying to set the period **.** as Knuth operator remains without effect. Avoid **..** which already exists in the syntax, but you can use **....**. However maybe it will be added to the syntax at some point!
- Do not use the semicolon **;** as this will break for example its use as in the definition of **knuththree()** in the previous item. You can (attow) choose **;;**.

```
\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator{;;}
\xintiieval{100 ;; 200 ;; 300}
```

```
30079200
```

Note that **;** is risky, see again the **knuththree()** example in previous item (spaces are ignored so **;** **\*** is like **;\*.**)



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All such choices however may break if `xintexpr` extends someday its list of built-in operators. By the way this package is in *alpha* stage and it is possible that `$` will be replaced by something else in future, and perhaps be used upstream in the syntax for some other task.

**\ZeckIndexedSum** This is a utility which produces (expandably)  $F_a + F_{a'} + \dots$  where  $a, a', \dots$  are the Zeckendorf indices in decreasing order and the Fibonacci numbers are represented by the letter **F** and the index as subscript. Can only be used from inside math mode.

$$\text{\$ZeckIndexedSum}\{1000000000000000\}\$.$$

$$F_{68} + F_{65} + F_{63} + F_{61} + F_{59} + F_{54} + F_{47} + F_{43} + F_{41} + F_{39} + F_{37} + F_{35} + F_{31} + F_{29} + F_{25} + F_{22} + F_{16} + F_9 + F_4 + F_2.$$

The `+` is actually injected by `\ZeckIndexedSumSep` which defaults to mean `+\allowbreak`, so that as shown above a linebreak can be inserted by `\TeX`.

`\ZeckExplicitSum` This is a utility which produces (expandably)  $F_a + F_{a'}$   
 $\dots$  where  $a, a', \dots$  are the Zeckendorf indices in decreasing  
order, and the Fibonacci numbers are written explicitly using decimal  
digits. May be used outside of math mode, but there will then be no  
spacing around the  $+$  signs.

$$\begin{aligned} & \$\backslash \text{ZeckExplicitSum}\{1000000000000000\} \$ . \\ & 72723460248141 + 17167680177565 + 6557470319842 + 2504730781961 + 956722026041 + \\ & 86267571272 + 2971215073 + 433494437 + 165580141 + 63245986 + 24157817 + \\ & 9227465 + 1346269 + 514229 + 75025 + 17711 + 987 + 34 + 3 + 1 . \end{aligned}$$

The `+` is actually injected by `\ZeckExplicitSumSep` which defaults to mean `+\allowbreak`, so that as shown above a linebreak can be inserted by TeX.

However, as one can see above and was already mentioned, `\TeX` and `\LaTeX` do not know out-of-the-box to split strings of digits at line endings. Hence the first line is squeezed, which is not pleasing, and a number extends nevertheless into the margin. The actual printing (and computation from the index) of the Fibonacci number is done via `\ZeckExplicit` whose default definition is to be an alias of `\ZeckTheFN`.

So if we redefine for example this way

```
\renewcommand\ZeckExplicitOne[1]{F_{\ZeckTheFN{#1}}}
```

we will simply reconstruct what `\ZackIndexedSum` does. Or, with the help of a `xinttools` utility we can inject breakpoints in between digits:

```
\renewcommand\ZeckExplicitOne[1]
  {\xintListWithSep{\allowbreak}{\ZeckTheFN{#1}}}
$\ZeckExplicitSum{1000000000000000}$.
72723460248141 + 17167680177565 + 6557470319842 + 2504730781961 + 956722
026041 + 86267571272 + 2971215073 + 433494437 + 165580141 + 63245986 + 241
57817 + 9227465 + 1346269 + 514229 + 75025 + 17711 + 987 + 34 + 3 + 1.
```

Expert  $\TeX$  users will know how to achieve a result such as this one, which pleasantly decorates the linebreaks:

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72723460248141 + 17167680177565 + 6557470319842 + 2504730781961 + 9567222  
026041 + 86267571272 + 2971215073 + 433494437 + 165580141 + 63245986 + 241  
57817 + 9227465 + 1346269 + 514229 + 75025 + 17711 + 987 + 34 + 3 + 1.

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You will need to input the core code using:

`\input zeckendorfcore.tex`

**IMPORTANT:** after this `\input`, the catcode regimen is a specific one (for example `_`, `:`, and `^` all have catcode letter). So, you will probably want to emit `\ZECKrestorecatcodes` immediately after this import, it will reset all modified catcodes to their values as prior to the import.

Then you can use the exact same interface as described in the previous section.

#### 5. Changes

**0.9alpha (2025/10/06)** Initial release.

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zeckendorfcore.tex, zeckendorf.tex, zeckendorf.sty,  
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A general remark is that expandable macros (usually) *f*-expand their arguments, and most are *f*-expandable. This *f*-expandability is achieved via `\expanded` triggers, diverging a bit from the overall style of the `xint` codebase (which predates availability of `\expanded`).

Extracts to `zeckendorffcore.tex`.

#### 7.1. Loading `xintexpr` and setting catcodes

```

1 \input xintexpr.sty
2 \wlog{Package: zeckendorffcore 2025/10/06 v0.9alpha (JFB)}%
3 \edef\ZECKrestorecatcodes{\XINTrestorecatcodes}%
4 \def\ZECKrestorecatcodesendinput{\ZECKrestorecatcodes\noexpand\endinput}%
5 \XINTsetcatcodes%
```

Small helpers related to `\expanded`-based methods. But the package only has a few macros and these helpers are used only once or twice, some macros needing their own terminators due to various optimizations in the code organization.

```

6 \def\zeck_abort#1\xint:{{}}%
7 \def\zeck_done#1\xint:{\iffalse{\fi}}%
```

## 7.2. Support for computing Fibonacci numbers: \ZeckTheFN, \ZeckTheFSeq

The multiplicative algorithm is as in the `bnumexpr` manual (at 1.7b) termination is different.

`\Zeck@FPair` and `\Zeck@@FPair` are not public interface. The former is a wrapper of the latter to handle negative or zero argument.

The public `\ZeckTheFN` uses the `\Zeck@FPair` which accepts a negative or zero argument. The non public `\Zeck@@FN` uses `\Zeck@@FPair` and is thus limited to positive argument, also it remains in `\xintexpr` encapsulated format requiring `\xintthe` for explicit digits.

```

8 \def\Zeck@FPair#1{\expandafter\zeck@fpair\the\numexpr #1.}%
9 \def\zeck@fpair #1{%
10   \xint_UDzerominusfork
11     #1-\zeck@fpair_n
12     0#1\zeck@fpair_n
13     0-\zeck@fpair_p
14   \krof #1%
15 }%
16 \def\zeck@fpair_p #1.{\Zeck@@FPair{#1}}%
17 \def\zeck@fpair_n #1.{%
18   \ifodd#1 \expandafter\zeck@fpair_ei\else\expandafter\zeck@fpair_eii\fi
19   \romannumeral`&&\Zeck@@FPair{1-#1}%
20 }%
21 \def\zeck@fpair_ei{\expandafter\zeck@fpair_fi}%
22 \def\zeck@fpair_eii{\expandafter\zeck@fpair_fii}%
23 \def\zeck@fpair_fi#1;#2;%
24   \romannumeral0\xintiipro #2\expandafter\relax\expandafter;%
25   \romannumeral0\xintiipro -#1\relax;%
26 }%
27 \def\zeck@fpair_fii#1;#2;%
28   \romannumeral0\xintiipro -#2\expandafter\relax\expandafter;%
29   #1;%
30 }%
31 \def\Zeck@@FPair#1{%
32   \expandafter\Zeck@start
33   \romannumeral0\xintdectobin{\the\numexpr#1\relax};%
34 }%
35 \def\Zeck@start 1#1{%
36   \csname Zeck@#1\expandafter\endcsname
37   \romannumeral0\xintiipro 1\expandafter\relax\expandafter;%
38   \romannumeral0\xintiipro 0\relax;%
39 }%
40 \expandafter\def\csname Zeck@0\endcsname #1;#2;#3{%
41   \csname Zeck@#3\expandafter\endcsname
42   \romannumeral0\xintiipro (#1+2*#2)*#1\expandafter\relax\expandafter;%
43   \romannumeral0\xintiipro #1*#1+#2*#2\relax;%
44 }%
45 \expandafter\def\csname Zeck@1\endcsname #1;#2;#3{%
46   \csname Zeck@#3\expandafter\endcsname
47   \romannumeral0\xintiipro 2*(#1+#2)*#1+#2*#2\expandafter\relax\expandafter;%
48   \romannumeral0\xintiipro (#1+2*#2)*#1\relax;%
49 }%

```

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```
50 \expandafter\let\csname Zeck@\endcsname\empty
```

For individual Fibonacci numbers, we have non public `\Zeck@FN` and public `\ZeckTheFN`.

```
51 \def\Zeck@FN{\expandafter\zeck@fn\romannumeral`&&\Zeck@FPair}%
```

```
52 \def\zeck@fn#1;#2;#1}%
```

```
53 \def\ZeckTheFN{\xintthe\expandafter\zeck@fn\romannumeral`&&\Zeck@FPair}%
```

The computation of stretches of Fibonacci numbers is not needed for the package, but is provided for user convenience. This is lifted from the development version of the `\xintname` user manual, which refactored a bit the code which has been there for over ten years. As we want to add a `fibseq()` function to `\xintiieval`, it is better to make it *f-expandable*.

Here we also handle negative arguments but still require the second argument to be larger (more positive) than the first.

```
54 \def\ZeckTheFSeq#1#2{%#1=starting index, #2>#1=ending index
```

```
55   \expanded\bgroup\expandafter\ZeckTheF@Seq
```

```
56   \the\numexpr #1\expandafter.\the\numexpr #2.%
```

```
57 }%
```

The `#1+1` is because `\Zeck@FPair{N}` expands to `F_{N};F_{N-1};`, so here we will have `F_{A+1},F_{A};` as starting point. We want up to `F_B`. If `B=A+1` there will be nothing to do.

```
58 \def\ZeckTheF@Seq #1.#2.{%
```

```
59   \expandafter\ZeckTheF@Seq@loop
```

```
60   \the\numexpr #2-#1-1\expandafter.\romannumeral0\Zeck@FPair{#1+1}%
```

```
61 }%
```

Now leave in stream one coefficient, test if we have reached B and until then apply standard Fibonacci recursion. We insert `\xintthe` although not needed for typesetting but this is useful for matters of defining an associated `fibseq()` function.

```
62 \def\ZeckTheF@Seq@loop #1.#2;#3;% standard Fibonacci recursion
```

```
63   {\xintthe#3}\ifnum #1=\z@ \expandafter\ZeckTheF@Seq@end\fi
```

```
64   \expandafter\ZeckTheF@Seq@loop
```

```
65   \the\numexpr #1-1\expandafter.%
```

```
66   \romannumeral0\xintiexpro #2+#3\relax;#2;%
```

```
67 }%
```

```
68 \def\ZeckTheF@Seq@end#1;#2;{\xintthe#2}\iffalse{\fi}}%
```

### 7.3. `\ZeckNearIndex`, `\ZeckIndex`

If the ratio of logarithms was the exact mathematical value it would be certain (via rough estimates valid at least for say  $x \geq 20$ , and manual checks for lower  $x$ 's) that its integer rounding gives an integer  $K$  such that either  $K$  or  $K-1$  is the largest index  $J$  with  $F_J \leq x$ . But the computation is done with only about 8 or 9 digits of precision. So certainly this assumption would fail for  $x$  having more than one billion decimal digits, or even perhaps would become a bit risky with an input having ten million digits. But this is no worry for us because we can not hope to compute with more than say about 20000 digits. We are not at all worried about the rounding to an integer not giving the exact rounding of the theoretical exact ratio of logarithms, or perhaps not being the correct rounding of the actually computed numerical approximation. Indeed prior to rounding the computed numerical approximation, we are close to the exact theoretical one. If

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the numerical rounding differs from the exact rounding of the exact value, it must be that  $x$  is about mid-way (in log scale) between two consecutive Fibonacci numbers. So the numerical rounding can not be anything else than either  $J$  or  $J+1$ .

(the argument is more subtle than it looks, it is important as it means we do not have to add extraneous checks).

The formula with macros was obtained via an `\xintdeffloatfunc` and `\xintverbosetrue` after having set `\xintDigits*` to 8, and then we optimized a bit manually. The advantage here is that we don't have to set ourself `\xintDigits` and later restore it. We can not use `\XINTinFloatDiv` or `\XINTinFloatMul` if we don't set `\xintDigits` (which is user customizable) because they hardcode usage of `\XINTdigits`.

```
69 \def\ZeckNearIndex#1{\xintiRound{0}{%
70   \xintFloatDiv[8]{\PoorManLogBaseTen{\xintFloatMul[8]{2236068[-6]}{#1}}}%
71   {20898764[-8]}}%
72   }%
73 }%
```

Now we compute the actual maximal index. This macro is only for user interface, because when obtaining the Zeckendorf representation via the greedy algorithm, we will want for efficiency to not discard the computed pair of Fibonacci numbers, but proceed using it.

```
74 \def\ZeckIndex{\expanded\zeckindex}%
75 \def\zeckindex#1{\expandafter\zeckindex_fork\romannumeral`&&@#1\xint:}%
76 \def\zeckindex_fork#1{%
77   \xint_UDzerominusfork
78   #1-\zeck_abort
79   0#1\zeck_abort
80   0-{\zeckindex_a#1}%
81   \krof
82 }%
83 \def\zeckindex_a #1\xint:{%
84   \expandafter\zeckindex_b
85   \the\numexpr\ZeckNearIndex{#1}\xint:#1\xint:
86 }%
87 \def\zeckindex_b #1\xint:{%
88   \expandafter\zeckindex_c
89   \romannumeral`&&@Zeck@@FPair{#1}#1\xint:
90 }%
91 \def\zeckindex_c #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
92   \xintiiifGt{\xintthe#1}{#4}%
93   {\{\expandafter\the\numexpr#3-1\relax}%
94   {\{#3}%
95 }%
```

### 7.4. \ZeckIndices, \ZeckZeck

As explained at start of code comments, I decided when packaging the whole thing to make macros  $f$ -expandable via `\expanded-trigger`, not `\romannumeral`.

This and other macros start by computing the max index. It then subtracts the Fibonacci number from the input and loops.

```
96 \def\ZeckIndices{\expanded\zeckindices}%
97 \let\ZeckZeck\ZeckIndices
```

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```
98 \def\zeckindices#1{\expandafter\zeckindices_fork\romannumeral`&&#1\xint:}%
99 \def\zeckindices_fork#1{%
100   \xint_UDzerominusfork
101   #1-\zeck_abort
102   0#1\zeck_abort
103   0-{\bgroup\zeckindices_a#1}%
104   \krof
105 }%
106 \def\zeckindices_a #1\xint: {%
107   \expandafter\zeckindices_b
108   \the\numexpr\ZeckNearIndex{#1}\xint:#1\xint:
109 }%
110 \def\zeckindices_b #1\xint: {%
111   \expandafter\zeckindices_c
112   \romannumeral`&&\Zeck@FPair{#1}#1\xint:
113 }%
114 \def\zeckindices_c #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint: {%
115   \xintiifGt{\xintthe#1}{#4}\zeckindices_A\zeckindices_B
116   #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:
117 }%
```

There is a slight annoyance here which is that we have to use the `\xintthe...` macros to have explicit digits so that we can test (and using higher level interface unavoidably boils down to looking at explicit digit tokens) if the first one is zero. But alas, the `xintexpr` manual has documented things such as `\xintiexprPrintOne` as being customizable, so there is a potentiality here for user modifications causing a crash, if a custom `\xintiexprPrintOne` prints `Z` or some other symbol in case of the zero value... We do have at our disposal `\xintthebareiieval` but it needs one more brace stripping step. So some `\xinttheunbracedbareiieval` is needed upstream and when this is done the code here will get updated.

```
118 \def\zeckindices_A#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint: {%
119   \the\numexpr#3-1\relax
120   \expandafter\zeckindices_loop
121   \romannumeral`&&\xinttheiexpr #4-#2\relax\xint:
122 }%
123 \def\zeckindices_B#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint: {%
124   #3%
125   \expandafter\zeckindices_loop
126   \romannumeral`&&\xinttheiexpr #4-#1\relax\xint:
127 }%
128 \def\zeckindices_loop#1{%
129   \xint_UDzerofork#1\zeck_done 0{, \zeckindices_a#1}\krof
130 }%
```

### 7.5. \ZeckBList

This is the variant which produces the results as a sequence of braced indices. Useful as support for a `zeck()` function.

Originally in `xint`, `xinttools`, the term ```list''` is used for braced items. In the user manual of this package I have been using ```list''` more colloquially for comma separated values. Here I stick with `xint` conventions but use `BList` (short for ```list of Braced`

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```

items') and not only ``List'' in the name.
131 \def\ZeckBList{\expanded\zeckblist}%
132 \def\zeckblist#1{\expandafter\zeckblist_fork\romannumeral`&&@#1\xint:}%
133 \def\zeckblist_fork#1{%
134   \xint_UDzerominusfork
135   #1-\zeck_abort
136   0#1\zeck_abort
137   0-{\bgroup\zeckblist_a#1}%
138   \krof
139 }%
140 \def\zeckblist_a #1\xint:{%
141   \expandafter\zeckblist_b
142   \the\numexpr\ZeckNearIndex{#1}\xint:#1\xint:
143 }%
144 \def\zeckblist_b #1\xint:{%
145   \expandafter\zeckblist_c
146   \romannumeral`&&@\Zeck@FPair{#1}#1\xint:
147 }%
148 \def\zeckblist_c #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
149   \xintiifGt{\xintthe#1}{#4}\zeckblist_A\zeckblist_B
150   #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:
151 }%
152 \def\zeckblist_A#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
153   {\the\numexpr#3-1\relax}%
154   \expandafter\zeckblist_loop
155   \romannumeral`&&\xinttheiexpr #4-#2\relax\xint:
156 }%
157 \def\zeckblist_B#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
158   {#3}%
159   \expandafter\zeckblist_loop
160   \romannumeral`&&\xinttheiexpr #4-#1\relax\xint:
161 }%
162 \def\zeckblist_loop#1{\xint_UDzerofork#1\zeck_done 0{\zeckblist_a#1}\krof}%

```

### 7.6. \ZeckIndexedSum, \ZeckExplicitSum

They are expandable, but need x-expansion. The first one assumes it expands in math mode. We use `\sb` because the current catcode of `_` is letter, and using `\sb` spares us some juggling.

```

163 \def\ZeckIndexedSumSep{+\allowbreak}%
164 \let\ZeckExplicitSumSep\ZeckIndexedSumSep
165 \def\ZeckExplicitOne{\xintthe\Zeck@FN}%
166 \def\ZeckIndexedSum#1{%
167   \expandafter\zeckindexedsum\expanded\zeckindices{#1},;%
168 }%
169 \def\zeckindexedsum#1{%
170   \if,#1\expandafter\xint_gob_til_sc\fi \zeckindexedsum_a#1%
171 }%
172 \def\zeckindexedsum_a#1,{F\sb{#1}\zeckindexedsum_b}%
173 \def\zeckindexedsum_b #1{%
174   \if,#1\expandafter\xint_gob_til_sc\fi
175   \ZeckIndexedSumSep\zeckindexedsum_a#1%

```



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```
176 }%
177 \def\ZeckExplicitSum#1{%
178   \expandafter\zeckexplicitsum\expanded\zeckindices{#1},;%
179 }%
180 \def\zeckexplicitsum#1{%
181   \if,#1\expandafter\xint_gob_til_sc\fi \zeckexplicitsum_a#1%
182 }%
183 \def\zeckexplicitsum_a#1,{\ZeckExplicitOne{#1}\zeckexplicitsum_b}%
184 \def\zeckexplicitsum_b #1{%
185   \if,#1\expandafter\xint_gob_til_sc\fi
186   \ZeckExplicitSumSep\zeckexplicitsum_a#1%
187 }%
```

### 7.7. \ZeckWord

This is slightly more complicated than \ZeckIndices and \ZeckBList because we have to keep track of the previous index to know how many zeros to inject.

```
188 \def\ZeckWord{\expanded\zeckword}%
189 \def\zeckword#1{\expandafter\zeckword_fork\romannumeral`&&@#1\xint:}%
190 \def\zeckword_fork#1{%
191   \xint_UDzerominusfork
192   #1-\zeck_abort
193   0#1\zeck_abort
194   0-{\bgroup\zeckword_a#1}%
195   \krof
196 }%
197 \def\zeckword_a #1\xint: {%
198   \expandafter\zeckword_b\the\numexpr\ZeckNearIndex{#1}\xint:
199   #1\xint:
200 }%
201 \def\zeckword_b #1\xint: {%
202   \expandafter\zeckword_c\romannumeral`&&@\Zeck@FPair{#1}#1\xint:
203 }%
204 \def\zeckword_c #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint: {%
205   \xintiifGt{\xintthe#1}{#4}\zeckword_A\zeckword_B
206   #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:
207 }%
208 \def\zeckword_A#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint: {%
209   \expandafter\zeckword_d
210   \romannumeral`&&@\xinttheiexpr#4-#2\expandafter\relax\expandafter\xint:
211   \the\numexpr#3-1.%
212 }%
213 \def\zeckword_B#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint: {%
214   \expandafter\zeckword_d
215   \romannumeral`&&@\xinttheiexpr#4-#1\relax\xint:
216   #3.%
217 }%
218 \def\zeckword_d #1%
219   {\xint_UDzerofork#1\zeckword_done0{1\zeckword_e}\krof #1}%
220 \def\zeckword_done#1\xint:#2.{1\xintReplicate{#2-2}{0}\iffalse{\fi}}%
221 \def\zeckword_e #1\xint: {%
222   \expandafter\zeckword_f\the\numexpr\ZeckNearIndex{#1}\xint:
```

```

223   #1\xint:
224 }%
225 \def\zeckword_f #1\xint:{%
226   \expandafter\zeckword_g\romannumeral`&&\Zeck@FPair{#1}#1\xint:
227 }%
228 \def\zeckword_g #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
229   \xintiifGt{\xintthe#1}{#4}\zeckword_gA\zeckword_gB
230   #1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:
231 }%
232 \def\zeckword_gA#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
233   \expandafter\zeckword_h
234   \the\numexpr#3-1\expandafter.%
235   \romannumeral`&&\xinttheiexpr #4-#2\relax\xint:
236 }%
237 \def\zeckword_gB#1;#2;#3\xint:#4\xint:{%
238   \expandafter\zeckword_h
239   \the\numexpr#3\expandafter.%
240   \romannumeral`&&\xinttheiexpr #4-#1\relax\xint:
241 }%
242 \def\zeckword_h #1.#2\xint:#3.{%
243   \xintReplicate{#3-#1-1}{0}%
244   \zeckword_d #2\xint:#1.%
245 }%

```

### 7.8. The Knuth Multiplication: \ZeckKMul

Here a `\romannumeral0` trigger is used to match `\xintiisum`. Although it induces defining one more macro we obide by the general coding style of `xint` with a CamelCase then a lowercase macro, rather than having them merged as only one.

```

246 \def\ZeckKMul{\romannumeral0\zeckkmul}%
247 \def\zeckkmul#1#2{\expandafter\zeckkmul_a
248   \expanded{\ZeckIndices{#1}%
249   ,;%
250   \ZeckIndices{#2}%
251   ,,%}
252 }%

```

The space token at start of `#2` after first one is not a problem as it ends up in a `\numexpr` anyhow.

```

253 \def\zeckkmul_a{\expandafter\xintiisum\expanded{{\iffalse}}\fi
254   \zeckkmul_b}%
255 \def\zeckkmul_b#1;#2,{%
256   \if\relax#2\relax\expandafter\zeckkmul_done\fi
257   \zeckkmul_c{#2}#1,\zeckkmul_b#1;%
258 }%
259 \def\zeckkmul_c#1#2,{%
260   \if\relax#2\relax\expandafter\xint_gobble_iii\fi
261   {\xintthe\Zeck@FN{#1+#2}}\zeckkmul_c{#1}%
262 }%
263 \def\zeckkmul_done#1;{\iffalse{{\fi}}}%

```

### 7.9. \ZeckNFromIndices

Spaces before commas are not a problem they disappear in `\numexpr`.

Each item is *f*-expanded to check not empty, but perhaps we could skip expanding, as they end up in `\numexpr`. Advantage of expansion of each item is that at any location we can generate multiple indices if desired.

```

264 \def\ZeckNFromIndices{\romannumeral0\zecknfromindices}%
265 \def\zecknfromindices#1{\expandafter\zecknfromindices_a\romannumeral`&&@#1,;}%
266 \def\zecknfromindices_a{\expandafter\xintiisum\expanded{{\iffalse}}\fi
267           \zecknfromindices_b
268 }%
269 \def\zecknfromindices_b#1{%
270   \if;#1\xint_dothis\zecknfromindices_done\fi
271   \if;#1\xint_dothis\zecknfromindices_skip\fi
272   \xint_orthat\zecknfromindices_c #1%
273 }%
274 \def\zecknfromindices_c #1,{%
275   {\ZeckTheFN{#1}}\expandafter\zecknfromindices_b\romannumeral`&&@%
276 }%
277 \def\zecknfromindices_skip,{\expandafter\zecknfromindices_b\romannumeral`&&@}%
278 \def\zecknfromindices_done;{\iffalse{{\fi}}}%

```

### 7.10. \ZeckNFromWord

The `\xintreversedigits` will *f*-expand its argument.

```

279 \def\ZeckNFromWord{\romannumeral0\zecknfromword}%
280 \def\zecknfromword#1{%
281   \expandafter\zecknfromword_a\romannumeral0\xintreversedigits{#1};%
282 }%
283 \def\zecknfromword_a{%
284   \expandafter\xintiisum\expanded{{\iffalse}}\fi\zecknfromword_b 2.%
285 }%
286 \def\zecknfromword_b#1.#2{%
287   \if;#2\expandafter\zecknfromword_done\fi
288   \if#21{\xintthe\Zeck@@FN{#1}}\fi
289   \expandafter\zecknfromword_b\the\numexpr#1+1.%
290 }%
291 \def\zecknfromword_done#1.{\iffalse{{\fi}}}%

```

### 7.11. Extension of the \xintiieval syntax with fib(), fibseq(), zeck() and zeckindex() functions

`fib()` and `fibseq()` accept negative arguments, but `fibseq(a,b)` must be with  $b > a$ , else falls into an infinite loop. `zeck()` and `zeckindex()` require, but do not check, that their argument is positive.

We also add support for these functions to `\xinteval` and `\xintfloateval`. Arguments are then truncated (not rounded) to integers.

```

292 \def\XINT_iiexpr_func_fib #1#2#3%
293 {%
294   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
295     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:one

```

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```

296   {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckTheFN#3}}}%
297 }%
298 \def\ZeckTheFNnum#1{\ZeckTheFN{\xintNum{#1}}}%
299 \def\XINT_expr_func_fib #1#2#3%
300 {%
301   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
302     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:one
303     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckTheFNnum#3}}}%
304 }%
305 \let\XINT_flexpr_func_fib\XINT_expr_func_fib
306 \def\XINT_iiexpr_func_fibseq #1#2#3%
307 {%
308   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
309     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:two
310     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckTheFSeq#3}}}%
311 }%
312 \def\ZeckTheFSeqnum#1#2{\ZeckTheFSeq{\xintNum{#1}}{\xintNum{#2}}}%
313 \def\XINT_expr_func_fibseq #1#2#3%
314 {%
315   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
316     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:two
317     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckTheFSeqnum#3}}}%
318 }%
319 \let\XINT_flexpr_func_fibseq\XINT_expr_func_fibseq
320 \def\XINT_iiexpr_func_zeckindex #1#2#3%
321 {%
322   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
323     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:one
324     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckIndex#3}}}%
325 }%
326 \def\ZeckIndexnum#1{\ZeckIndex{\xintNum{#1}}}%
327 \def\XINT_expr_func_zeckindex #1#2#3%
328 {%
329   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
330     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:one
331     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckIndexnum#3}}}%
332 }%
333 \let\XINT_flexpr_func_zeckindex\XINT_expr_func_zeckindex
334 \def\XINT_iiexpr_func_zeck #1#2#3%
335 {%
336   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
337     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:one
338     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckBList#3}}}%
339 }%
340 \def\ZeckBListnum#1{\ZeckBList{\xintNum{#1}}}%
341 \def\XINT_expr_func_zeck #1#2#3%
342 {%
343   \expandafter #1\expandafter #2\expandafter{%
344     \romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:one
345     {\romannumeral`&&\ZeckBListnum#3}}}%
346 }%
347 \let\XINT_flexpr_func_zeck\XINT_expr_func_zeck

```

## 7.12. Extension of the \xintiieval syntax with \$ as infix operator for the Knuth multiplication

Unfortunately, contrarily to `bnumexpr`, `xintexpr` (at 1.4o) has no public interface to define an infix operator, and the macros it defines to that end have acquired another meaning at end of loading `xintexpr.sty`, so we have to copy quite a few lines of code. This is provisory and will be removed when `xintexpr.sty` will have been updated. We also copy/adapt `\bnumdefinfix`.

We test for existence of `\xintdefinfix` so as to be able to update upstream and not have to sync it immediately. But perhaps upstream will choose some other name than `\xintdefinfix`...

```

348 \ifdefined\xintdefinfix
349   \def\zeckdefinfix{\xintdefinfix {iiexpr}}%
350 \else
351 \ifdefined\xint_noxpd\else\let\xint_noxpd\unexpanded\fi % support old xint
352 \def\ZECK_defbin_c #1#2#3#4#5#6#7#8%
353 {%
354   \XINT_global\def #1##1% \XINT_#8_op_<op>
355   {%
356     \expanded{\xint_noxpd{#2{##1}}\expandafter}%
357     \romannumeral`&&\expandafter#3\romannumeral`&&\XINT_expr_getnext
358   }%
359   \XINT_global\def #2##1##2##3##4% \XINT_#8_exec_<op>
360   {%
361     \expandafter##2\expandafter##3\expandafter
362     {\romannumeral`&&\XINT:NEhook:f:one:from:two{\romannumeral`&&#7##1##4}}%
363   }%
364   \XINT_global\def #3##1% \XINT_#8_check_-_<op>
365   {%
366     \xint_UDsignfork
367     ##1{\expandafter#4\romannumeral`&&#5}%
368     -{#4##1}%
369     \krof
370   }%
371   \XINT_global\def #4##1##2% \XINT_#8_checkp_<op>
372   {%
373     \ifnum ##1>#6%
374       \expandafter#4%
375       \romannumeral`&&\csname XINT_#8_op_#2\expandafter\endcsname
376     \else
377       \expandafter ##1\expandafter ##2%
378     \fi
379   }%
380 }%

```

ATTENTION there is lacking at end here compared to the `bnumexpr` version an adjustment for updating minus operator, if some other right precedence than 12, 14, 17 is used. Doing this would requiring copying still more, so is not done.

```

381 \def\ZECK_defbin_b #1#2#3#4#5%
382 {%
383   \expandafter\ZECK_defbin_c
384   \csname XINT_#1_op_#2\expandafter\endcsname

```

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```

385 \csname XINT_#1_exec_#2\expandafter\endcsname
386 \csname XINT_#1_check_#2\expandafter\endcsname
387 \csname XINT_#1_checkp_#2\expandafter\endcsname
388 \csname XINT_#1_op_-\romannumeral\ifnum#4>12 #4\else12\fi\expandafter\endcsname
389 \csname xint_c_\romannumeral#4\endcsname
390 #5%
391 {#1}% #8 for \ZECK_defbin_c
392 \XINT_global
393 \expandafter
394 \let\csname XINT_expr_precedence_#2\expandafter\endcsname
395 \csname xint_c_\romannumeral#3\endcsname
396 }%

```

These next two currently lifted from [bnumexpr](#) with some adaptations, see previous comment about precedences.

```

397 \def\zeckdefinfix #1#2#3#4%
398 {%
399 \edef\ZECK_tmpa{#1}%
400 \edef\ZECK_tmpa{\xint_zapspaces_o\ZECK_tmpa}%
401 \edef\ZECK_tmpl{\the\numexpr#3\relax}%
402 \edef\ZECK_tmpl
403 {\ifnum\ZECK_tmpl<4 4\else\ifnum\ZECK_tmpl<23 \ZECK_tmpl\else 22\fi\fi}%
404 \edef\ZECK_tmpr{\the\numexpr#4\relax}%
405 \edef\ZECK_tmpr
406 {\ifnum\ZECK_tmpr<4 4\else\ifnum\ZECK_tmpr<23 \ZECK_tmpr\else 22\fi\fi}%
407 \ZECK_defbin_b {iiexpr}\ZECK_tmpa\ZECK_tmpl\ZECK_tmpr #2%
408 \expandafter\ZECK_dotheitselfes\ZECK_tmpa\relax
409 \unless\ifcsname
410 XINT_iiexpr_exec_-\romannumeral\ifnum\ZECK_tmpr>12 \ZECK_tmpr\else 12\fi
411 \endcsname
412 \xintMessage{zeckendorf}{Error}{Right precedence not among accepted values.}%
413 \errhelp{Accepted values include 12, 14, and 17.}%
414 \errmessage{Sorry, you can not use \ZECK_tmpr\space as right precedence.}%
415 \fi
416 \ifxintverbose
417 \xintMessage{zeckendorf}{info}{infix operator \ZECK_tmpa\space
418 \ifxintglobaldefs globally \fi
419 does
420 \xint_noxpd{#2}\MessageBreak with precedences \ZECK_tmpl, \ZECK_tmpr;}%
421 \fi
422 }%
423 \def\ZECK_dotheitselfes#1#2%
424 {%
425 \if#2\relax\expandafter\xint_gobble_ii
426 \else
427 \XINT_global
428 \expandafter\edef\csname XINT_expr_itself_#1#2\endcsname{#1#2}%
429 \unless\ifcsname XINT_expr_precedence_#1\endcsname
430 \XINT_global
431 \expandafter\edef\csname XINT_expr_precedence_#1\endcsname
432 {\csname XINT_expr_precedence_\ZECK_tmpl\endcsname}%
433 \XINT_global
434 \expandafter\odef\csname XINT_iiexpr_op_#1\endcsname

```

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```

435             {\csname XINT_iiexpr_op_\ZECK_tmpa\endcsname}%
436     \fi
437 \fi
438 \ZECK_dotheitselfes{#1#2}%
439}%
440\fi

```

There is no ``undefine operator'' in `bnumexpr` currently. Experimental, I don't want to spend too much time. I sense there is a potential problem with multi-character operators related to ``undoing the themselves'', because of the mechanism which allows to use for example `;;` as short-cut for `;;; if`; `;;` was not pre-defined when `;;;` got defined. To undefine `;;`, I would need to check if it really has been aliased to `;;;`, and I don't do the effort here.

```

441 \ifdefined\xintdef infix
442 \else
443 \ifdefined\xint_noxpd\else\let\xint_noxpd\unexpanded\fi % support old xint
444 \def\ZECK_undefbin_b #1#2%
445 {%
446   \XINT_global\expandafter\let
447     \csname XINT_#1_op_#2\endcsname\xint_undefined
448   \XINT_global\expandafter\let
449     \csname XINT_#1_exec_#2\endcsname\xint_undefined
450   \XINT_global\expandafter\let
451     \csname XINT_#1_check_#2\endcsname\xint_undefined
452   \XINT_global\expandafter\let
453     \csname XINT_#1_checkp_#2\endcsname\xint_undefined
454   \XINT_global\expandafter\let
455     \csname XINT_expr_precedence_#2\endcsname\xint_undefined
456   \XINT_global\expandafter\let
457     \csname XINT_expr_itself_#2\endcsname\xint_undefined
458}%
459 \def\zeckundef infix #1%
460 {%
461   \edef\ZECK_tmpa{#1}%
462   \edef\ZECK_tmpa{\xint_zapspaces_o\ZECK_tmpa}%
463   \ZECK_undefbin_b {iiexpr}\ZECK_tmpa
464}% \ifxintverbose
465   \xintMessage{zeckendorff}{Warning}{infix operator \ZECK_tmpa\space
466     has been DELETED!}%
467}% \fi
468}%
469\fi

```

We do not define the extra `\chardef`'s as does `bnumexpr` to allow more user choices of precedences, not only because nobody will ever use the feature, but also because it needs extra configuration for minus unary operator. (as mentioned above)

Attention, this is like `\bnumdef infix` and thus does not have same order of arguments as the `\ZECK_defbin_b` above.

```

470 \zeckdef infix{$}{\ZeckKMul}{14}{14}% $ (<-only to tame Emacs/AUCTeX highlighting)
471 \def\ZeckSetAsKnuthOperator#1{\zeckdef infix{#1}{\ZeckKMul}{14}{14}}%
472 \def\ZeckDeleteOperator#1{\zeckundef infix{#1}}%

```

ATTENTION! we leave the modified catcodes in place! (the question mark has regained

its catcode other though).

## 8. Interactive code

Extracts to `zeckendorf.tex`.

```

1 \input zeckendorfc core.tex
2 \xintexprSafeCatcodes
3
4 \def\ZeckCmdQ{\iftrue{\iffalse}
5 \let\ZeckCmdX\ZeckCmdQ
6 \let\ZeckCmdx\ZeckCmdQ
7 \let\ZeckCmdq\ZeckCmdQ
8
9 \newif\ifzeckindices
10 \def\ZeckCmdL{\zeckindices true
11 \def\ZeckFromN{\ZeckIndices}\def\ZeckToN{\ZeckNFromIndices}}
12 \let\ZeckCmdl\ZeckCmdL
13
14 \def\ZeckCmdB{\zeckindices false
15 \def\ZeckFromN{\ZeckWord}\def\ZeckToN{\ZeckNFromWord}}
16 \let\ZeckCmdW\ZeckCmdB
17 \let\ZeckCmdb\ZeckCmdB
18 \let\ZeckCmdw\ZeckCmdB
19
20 \newif\ifzeckfromN
21 \zeckfromN true
22 \def\ZeckConvert{\csname Zeck\ifzeckfromN From\else To\fi N\endcsname}
23 \def\ZeckCmdT{\ifzeckfromN\zeckfromN false\else\zeckfromN true\fi}
24 \let\ZeckCmdt\ZeckCmdT
25
26 \newif\ifzeckmeasuretimes
27 \expandafter\def\csname ZeckCmd@\endcsname{%
28 \ifdefined\xinttheseconds
29 \ifzeckmeasuretimes\zeckmeasuretimes false\else\zeckmeasuretime true\fi
30 \else
31 \immediate\write128{Sorry, this requires xintexpr 1.4n or later.}%
32 \fi
33 }
34
35 \newif\ifzeckevalonly
36 \def\ZeckCmdE{\ifzeckevalonly\zeckevalonly false\else\zeckevalonly true\fi}
37 \let\ZeckCmde\ZeckCmdE
38
39 \ZeckCmdL
40
41 \def\ZeckInviteA{commands: (Q)uit, (L)ist, (W)ord, (T)oggle, (E)val-only or @.}
42
43 \newlinechar10
44 \immediate\write128{}
45 \immediate\write128{Welcome to Zeckendorf 0.9alpha (2025/10/06, JFB).}
46
```



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```

47 \immediate\write128{Command summary (lowercase accepted):^^J
48     Q to quit. Also X.^^J
49     L for Zeckendorf representations as lists of indices.^^J
50     W for Zeckendorf representations as binary words. Also B.^^J
51     T to toggle the direction of conversions.^^J
52     E to toggle to and from \string\xintiieval-only mode.^^J
53     @ to toggle measurement of execution times.}
54 \immediate\write128{}
55 \immediate\write128{%
56     Integer input can be an \noexpand\xintiieval expression (but first^^J%
57     character must not be a command letter).^^J% Examples:^^J%
58     \space\space Examples: 2^100, 1e100, 100!, add(fib(n),n=2..10).^^J%
59     \space\space -> fib() function computes Fibonacci numbers.^^J%
60     \space\space -> infix operator $ implements Knuth multiplication.^^J%
61 \space\space\space\space\space E.g. (100$200)$300 or 100$(200$300) or 100$200$300.^^J%$
62     List input can (expand to) any comma separated list of integers.^^J%
63     \space\space It is also evaluated in \string\xintiieval.^^J%
64     \space\space Examples: 2..13 or seq(2^i, i=1, 5, 7).^^J%
65     Binary word input is not restricted to be a Zeckendorf word.^^J%
66     \space\space It is evaluated in an \string\edef.}
67 \immediate\write128{}
68 \immediate\write128{**** empty input is not supported! no linebreaks in input! ****}
69
70 \xintloop
71 \immediate\write128{\ZeckInviteA}
72 \message{\ifzeckevalonly (eval only mode, hit E to exit it)\else
73     \ifzeckfromN Integer -> \ifzeckindices indices\else binary word\fi
74     \else
75     \ifzeckindices Indices \else Binary word \fi
76     -> integer\fi\fi
77     : }

```

Space token at end of `\zeckbuf` is not a problem to us. But a `\par` token would be.

```

78 \read-1to\zeckbuf
79 \edef\zeckbuffirst{\expandafter\xintFirstItem\expandafter
80     {\detokenize\expandafter{\zeckbuf\relax}}}%
81 }
82 \ifcsname ZeckCmd\zeckbuffirst\endcsname
83     \csname ZeckCmd\zeckbuffirst\expandafter\endcsname
84 \else
85     \ifzeckfromN\edef\ZeckIn{\xintiieval{\zeckbuf}}\else
86     \ifzeckindices\edef\ZeckIn{\xintiieval{\zeckbuf}}\else
87     \edef\ZeckIn{\zeckbuf}%
88     \fi
89     \fi

```

Using the conditional so that this can also be used by default with older xint

```

90 \ifzeckmeasuretimes\xintresettimer\fi
91 \immediate\write128{\ifzeckevalonly\ZeckIn\else\ZeckConvert{\ZeckIn}\fi}%
92 \immediate\write128{\ifzeckmeasuretimes
93     \ifzeckevalonly Evaluation \else Conversion \fi
94     took \xinttheseconds s^^J\fi}
95 \fi

```

## 9. $\text{\LaTeX}$ code

```
96 \iftrue
97 \repeat
98
99 \immediate\write128{Bye. Results are also in log file (hard-wrapped too, alas).}
100 \bye
```

## 9. $\text{\LaTeX}$ code

Extracts to [zeckendorf.sty](#).

```
1 \NeedsTeXFormat{LaTeX2e}
2 \ProvidesPackage{zeckendorf}
3   [2025/10/06 v0.9alpha Zeckendorf representations of big integers (JFB)]%
4 \RequirePackage{xintexpr}
5 \input zeckendorfc core.tex
6 \ZECKrestorecatcodesendinginput%
```