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Grade 11/12 Math Circles October 25, 2023 P-adic numbers, Part 1 - Problem Set

- 1. What's $\dots 13131313_5 = ?$
- 2. Find the numbers $\frac{1}{7}, \frac{2}{7}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{7}, \frac{5}{7}, \frac{6}{7}$ as real numbers and as 10-adic numbers. What do you notice?
- 3. Using the following theorem: A p-adic number has an eventually periodic p-adic expansion if and only if it is rational, i.e. can be written as a fraction. Determine the periodic 5-adic expansion of $\frac{4}{3}$.
- 4. Show that a 2-adic integer that is a unit has a square root if and only if its last 3 digits are $\dots 001$.