

CoCoALib - Bug #938

ReadExpr: misreads $2/3^4$

06 Oct 2016 11:37 - John Abbott

Status:	Closed	Start date:	06 Oct 2016
Priority:	Urgent	Due date:	
Assignee:	John Abbott	% Done:	100%
Category:	Maths Bugs	Estimated time:	2.60 hours
Target version:	CoCoALib-0.99550 spring 2017	Spent time:	2.50 hours
Description			
After my change to ReadExpr so that it can read rational numbers, the fn now misreads " $2/3^4$ " and produces 16/81 instead of 2/81. Rectify! And add a test!			
Related issues:			
Related to CoCoA-5 - Feature #909: ReadExpr: decimal point		Closed	14 Jul 2016
Related to CoCoALib - Bug #936: ReadExpr: cannot handle exponent which is not...		Closed	05 Oct 2016

History

#1 - 06 Oct 2016 11:38 - John Abbott

It is a slightly subtle bug: at first sight it seems reasonable that $\langle \text{constant} \rangle^{\langle \text{integer} \rangle}$ should yield the obvious power of the constant, but this is not how I read $2/3^4$.

#2 - 07 Oct 2016 15:11 - John Abbott

- Related to Feature #909: ReadExpr: decimal point added

#3 - 07 Oct 2016 15:15 - John Abbott

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Assignee set to John Abbott
- % Done changed from 0 to 10

I see no choice but to make $2/3^4$ read as an expression $\text{div}(2, \text{power}(3,4))$, and this implies that all rationals expressed as explicit quotients have to be read as an expression $\text{div}(\dots, \dots)$.

#4 - 08 Oct 2016 21:55 - John Abbott

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- % Done changed from 10 to 90

I have fixed it now, and added a new test-RingElem5 for the function ReadExpr (for rational numbers).

Trickier than expected; also not so easy coming up with the various test cases.

#5 - 08 Oct 2016 22:10 - John Abbott

- Related to Bug #936: ReadExpr: cannot handle exponent which is not integer literal added

#6 - 09 Nov 2016 10:46 - John Abbott

- Target version changed from CoCoALib-0.99560 to CoCoALib-0.99550 spring 2017

#7 - 18 Nov 2016 22:23 - John Abbott

- *Status changed from Feedback to Closed*
- *% Done changed from 90 to 100*
- *Estimated time set to 2.60 h*