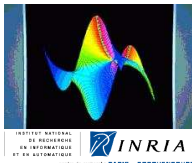


A Non-Holonomic Systems Approach to Special Function Identities

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I Introduction

Goal: Identities in Special Functions

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{k} \binom{n+k}{k} \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j}^3 \quad [\text{Strehl 1992}] \quad \text{binomial nbs}$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} x J_1(ax) I_1(ax) Y_0(x) K_0(x) dx = -\frac{\ln(1-a^4)}{2\pi a^2} \quad [\text{GIMo 1994}] \quad \text{Bessel fns}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{(1+2xy+4y^2) \exp\left(\frac{4x^2 y^2}{1+4y^2}\right)}{y^{n+1}(1+4y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} dy = \frac{H_n(x)}{[n/2]!} \quad [\text{Doetsch 1930}] \quad \text{orthog. poly.}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} i(k+i)^{k-1} (n-k+j)^{n-k} = (n+i+j)^n \quad [\text{Abel 1826}] \quad k^k$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{m-k} k! \binom{n-k}{m-k} \left\{ \begin{matrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{matrix} \right\} = \left\langle \begin{matrix} n \\ m \end{matrix} \right\rangle \quad [\text{Frobenius 1910}] \quad \text{Stirling 2nd kind, Eulerian nbs}$$

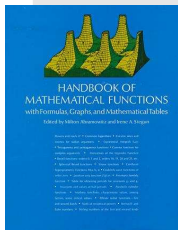
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{m}{k} B_{n+k} = (-1)^{m+n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{k} B_{m+k} \quad [\text{Gessel 2003}] \quad \text{Bernoulli nbs}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{k-1} \zeta(n, \alpha + \beta x) dx = \beta^{-k} B(k, n-k) \zeta(n-k, \alpha) \quad \text{Hurwitz's fn}$$

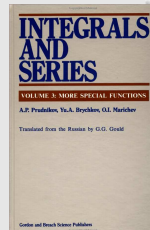
$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{\alpha-1} \text{Li}_n(-xy) dx = \frac{\pi(-\alpha)^n y^{-\alpha}}{\sin(\alpha\pi)} \quad \text{polylogarithm}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{s-1} \exp(xy) \Gamma(a, xy) dx = \frac{\pi y^{-s}}{\sin((a+s)\pi)} \frac{\Gamma(s)}{\Gamma(1-a)} \quad \text{incomplete gamma fn}$$

Equations are Better than Closed Forms!



linear differential/recurrence equations
+ initial conditions = data structure



Parametrized summation and integration algorithms

- $(q-)$ hypergeometric/hyperexponential: Zeilberger (1990), Paule–Schorn (1995); Riese (2003); Almkvist–Z. (1990)
- higher-order eqns: Zeilberger (1990), Takayama (1989–90), FC–BS (1998), FC (2000)
- Abel-type/Stirling/Euler and Bernoulli: Majewicz (1996); Kauers (2007); Chen & Sun (2009)
- previous classes and more: the present work

Three Ideas

Confinement (in finite-dim'l v.-s., resp. positive-dim'l modules)

“Higher-order” derivatives, $\partial^s(f)$, rewrite as linear combinations of a specific set of “lower-order” derivatives, $\partial^a(f)$, $a \in A$.

More than $\#A$ derivatives \rightarrow equation(s).

OLD/NEW

Polynomial growth (degree bound on coeffs of normal forms)

$$i \leq s \quad \Rightarrow \quad \partial^i(f) = \frac{1}{P_s} \sum_{a \in A} (\text{degree in } y \leq O(s^p)) \partial^a(f)$$

Sufficiently small $p \rightarrow$ equations(s) free of y .

NEW

Creative telescoping (\approx diff. under the int. sign + int. by parts)

Equation free of $y \rightarrow$ equation on integral/sum w.r.t. y .

Skew polynomial elimination or variant approaches.

OLD

II Algebraic Closures

Dimension of Ideals and ∂ -Finite Functions

Several eqns \rightarrow left Gröbner bases in $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{Q}(x, \dots) \langle \partial, \dots \rangle$.

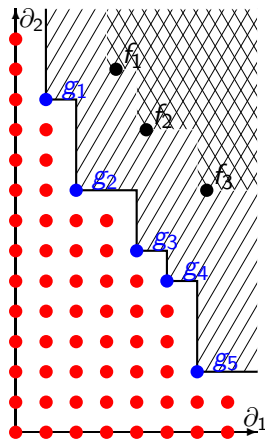
$$M_s(I) := \left\{ m : m \text{ is below the stairs} \right. \\ \left. \text{and of total degree } \leq s \right\}.$$

Theorem (Hilbert) & Definition

- For any I , there is an integer $\delta(I)$ such that $\#M_s(I) = O(s^{\delta(I)})$.
- $\delta(I)$ is the (Hilbert) dimension of I .

Definition (annihilator and ∂ -finiteness)

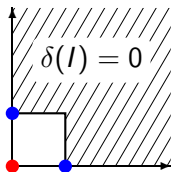
- $\text{ann } f := \{ P \in \mathcal{R} : P(f) = 0 \}$
- f is ∂ -finite $\Leftrightarrow \delta(\text{ann } f) = 0$



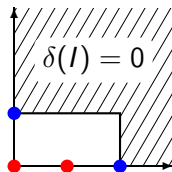
$$\text{GB}(f_1, \dots) = (g_1, \dots)$$

Examples

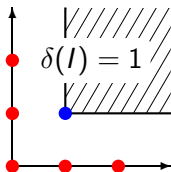
Binomial coeffs $\binom{n}{k}$ w.r.t. S_n, S_k ;
Hypergeometric sequences:



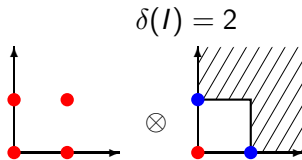
Bessel $J_\nu(x)$ w.r.t. S_ν, D_x ;
Orthogonal polys w.r.t. S_n, D_x :



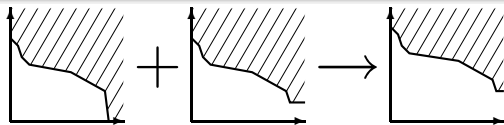
Stirling nbs w.r.t. S_n, S_k :



Abel-type w.r.t. S_m, S_k, S_r, S_s :



Algebraic Closure Properties in Positive Dimension



Proposition

NEW

δ of sum \leq max. of δ 's, δ of product \leq sum of δ 's, δ of der. $\leq \delta$.

Algorithm (for a product fg): for a *graded* ordering,

NEW

for $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, until $\delta(I) \leq$ bound:

for each $|\alpha| \leq s$, reduce $\partial^\alpha(fg)$ to a sum $\sum u_{\alpha;\beta,\gamma}(x)\partial^\beta(f)\partial^\gamma(g)$
over $\beta \in M_s(\text{ann } f), \gamma \in M_s(\text{ann } g)$

search for $Q(x)$ -linear relations, set I to the ideal they generate

return I , a subideal of $\text{ann } fg$

Example (Stirling numbers of the second kind): $\left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right\}, \delta(I) = 1,$

1st-order rec. $\xrightarrow{s=3} \left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right\} \left\{ \begin{matrix} m \\ k \end{matrix} \right\}, \delta(I) = 2,$ 2nd-order rec.

III Closures under \sum and \int

Creative Telescoping (Zeilberger, 1990)

$$U(x) = \int_a^b u(x, y) dy = ?$$

Given $A(x, D_x)$ and $B(x, y, D_x, D_y)$ such that

$$(A(x, D_x) - D_y B(x, y, D_x, D_y))(u) = 0,$$

integration leads by “telescoping” to

$$A(x, D_x)(U) = [B(x, y, D_x, D_y)(u)]_{y=a}^{y=b} \stackrel{\text{often}}{=} 0.$$

Definition (telescoping ideal of I w.r.t. y)

$$T_y(I) := (I + \partial_y \mathcal{R}_{x,y}) \cap \mathcal{R}_x \quad \text{where}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{x,y} := K(x, y)\langle \partial_x, \partial_y \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{R}_x := K(x)\langle \partial_x \rangle.$$

$$U_n = \sum_{k=a}^b u_{n,k}, \quad U(x) = \sum_{k=a}^b u_k(x), \quad U_n = \int_a^b u_n(y) dy.$$

Polynomial Growth and Creative Telescoping

Definition: an ideal has polynomial growth p w.r.t. $y \dots$ NEW

\dots if there exist polynomials $P_s(x, y)$, s.t. if $|a| + b \leq s$,

$P_s \partial_{x_1}^{a_1} \dots \partial_{x_\ell}^{a_\ell} \partial_y^b$ reduces to polys of degree $O(s^p)$ in y .

- $f = \binom{n}{k}$: $P_s = (k+1)_s (n+1-k)_s$ **confines** shifts of order $\leq s$ in dim. $O(s^1)$ over $K(n) \rightarrow$ Pascal's formula.
- $f = \frac{a(x, y_1, \dots, y_r)}{b(x, y_1, \dots, y_r)}$: $P_s = b^{s+1}$ **confines** derivatives of order $\leq s$ in dim. $O(s^r)$ over $K(x) \rightarrow$ elimination of y_1, \dots, y_r possible.

Theorem: $\delta(T_y(I)) \leq \max(\delta(I) + p - 1, 0)$. NEW

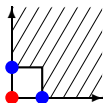
Corollary (sufficient condition for creative telescoping) NEW

$\delta(I) + p - 1 < \ell \Rightarrow$ identities exist for the sum/int. w.r.t. y .

Examples with Polynomial Growth $p = 1$

- Proper hypergeometric (Wilf & Zeilberger, 1992):

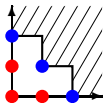
$$Q(n, k) \xi^k \frac{\prod_{i=1}^u (a_i n + b_i k + c_i)!}{\prod_{i=1}^v (u_i n + v_i k + w_i)!},$$



Q polynomial, a_i, b_i, u_i, v_i integers.

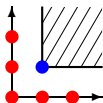
- Differentially finite (“holonomic”; Takayama, 1992).
- Stirling: $\delta = 1 \rightarrow$ for ≥ 3 vars, e.g., Frobenius:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{m-k} k! \binom{n-k}{m-k} \begin{Bmatrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} n \\ m \end{Bmatrix}.$$



- Abel type: $\delta = 2 \rightarrow$ for ≥ 4 vars, e.g., Abel:

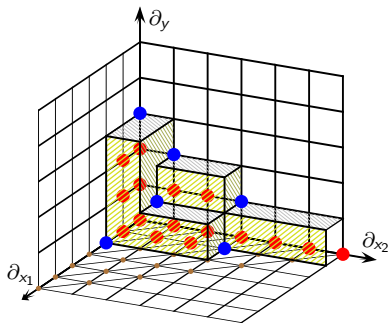
$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} i(k+i)^{k-1} (n-k+j)^{n-k} = (n+i+j)^n.$$



Zeilberger's Fast Algorithm Extended to $\delta > 0$

NEW

- ① (q -)Hypergeometric: Zeilberger 1990 (impl.: Schorn, Riese).
- ② ∂ -finite ($\delta = 0$): Chyzak 2000 (impl.: Koutschan, Pech).
- ③ Non- ∂ -finite (NEW): for a *graded* ordering,



for $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, until $\delta(J) \leq \text{bound}$:

$$\text{set } A := \sum_{|\alpha| \leq s} \eta_\alpha(x) \partial^\alpha$$

for undetermined coeffs η_α

$$\text{set } B := \sum_{\beta \in M_{s-1}(I)} \phi_\beta(x, y) \partial^\beta$$

for undetermined coeffs $\phi_\beta(y)$

reduce $A - \partial_y B$ onto the basis $M_s(I)$

extract coeffs to form a linear system

of first order w.r.t. ∂_y

solve and set J to the ideal of the A 's

return the pairs (A, B)

IV Conclusion

Conclusion

- Summary:
 - Linear differential/recurrence equations as a data structure;
 - Confinement + polynomial growth + creative telescoping → identities;
 - Input dimension + polynomial growth → output dimension.
- Also in this work:
 - Fasenmyer's style algorithm possible;
 - Multiple summation/integration.
- Future & Open questions:
 - Hilbert-driven approach should be possible;
 - Replace polynomial growth by something **intrinsic**;
 - **Bounds** → identities + their size + **complexity** of algorithms;
 - Exploit symmetries;
 - Structured Padé-Hermite approximants;
 - Understand **non-minimality**.