

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{27(x - \frac{2}{3} + 1)(x - \frac{2}{3} + 2)(x - \frac{2}{3} + 3)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{27} (x - \frac{2}{3})^{-3} \\
 \Delta y &= \frac{1}{27} (-3)(x - \frac{2}{3})^{-4} \\
 \Delta^2 y &= \frac{3}{27} \times 4 (x - \frac{2}{3})^{-5} \\
 &= \frac{12}{27 [(x - \frac{2}{3}) + 1][(x - \frac{2}{3}) + 2][(x - \frac{2}{3}) + 3][(x - \frac{2}{3}) + 4][(x - \frac{2}{3}) + 5]} \\
 &= \frac{12 \times 3}{27 (3x+1)(3x+4)(3x+7)(3x+10)(3x+13)} \\
 \Delta^2 y &= \frac{108}{(3x+1)(3x+4)(3x+7)(3x+10)(3x+13)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence showed.

14. Find the second differential of the polynomial

$$f(x) = x^4 - 12x^3 + 42x^2 - 30x + 9 \text{ with } h=2$$

sol First we shall express the given polynomial $f(x)$ in terms of factorial polynomial by synthetic division with $h=2$

	1	-12	42	-30	9
0	↓	0	0	0	0
	1	-12	42	-30	9
2	↓	2	-20	44	
	1	-10	22	14	
4	↓	4	-24		
	1	-6	-2		
	↓	6			
	1	0			

$$f(x) = x(4) - 2x(2) + 14x(1) + 9$$

$$\Delta f(x) = 8x(3) - 8x(1) + 28$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta^2 f(x) &= 48x(2) - 16 \rightarrow 48x(x-2) - 16 \\
 &\rightarrow 48x^2 - 96x - 16
 \end{aligned}$$

15. S.T $\Delta (5x^4 + 6x^3 + x^2 - x + 7) = 20x^{(3)} + 108x^{(2)} + 108x^{(1)} + 11$

sol

$$y = 5x^4 + 6x^3 + x^2 - x + 7$$

let $Ax^{(4)} + Bx^{(3)} + Cx^{(2)} + Dx^{(1)} + E$ be the factorial polynomial of y .

0		5	6	1	-1	7
		↓	0	0	0	0
1		5	6	1	-1	7
		↓	5	11	12	
2		5	11	12	11	
		↓	10	42		
3		5	21	54		
		↓	15			
		5	36			

$$\therefore y = 5x^{(4)} + 36x^{(3)} + 54x^{(2)} + 11x^{(1)} + 7$$

$$\Delta y = 20x^{(3)} + 108x^{(2)} + 108x^{(1)} + 11$$

16. Find the fn whose first difference is $x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x + 12$

sol

$$\text{or } \Delta y = x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x + 12$$

we express this in terms of factorial polynomial

0		1	3	5	12
		↓	0	0	0
1		1	3	5	12
		↓	1	4	
2		1	4	9	
		↓	2		
		1	6		

$$\Delta y = x^{(3)} + 6x^{(2)} + 9x^{(1)} + 12$$

$$\therefore y = \Delta^{-1} [x^{(3)} + 6x^{(2)} + 9x^{(1)} + 12]$$

$$= \frac{x^{(4)}}{4} + 2x^{(3)} + \frac{9x^{(2)}}{2} + 12x^{(1)} + c$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4} [x(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)] + 2[x(x-1)(x-2)] + \frac{9}{2}x(x-1) + 12x + c$$

17. If $y = \frac{1}{(3x+1)(3x+4)(3x+7)}$ S.T $\Delta^3 y = \frac{108}{(3x+1)(3x+4)(3x+7)(3x+10)(3x+13)}$

sol

$$y = \frac{1}{(3x+1)(3x+4)(3x+7)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{27(x+\frac{1}{3})(x+\frac{4}{3})(x+\frac{7}{3})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{27(x-\frac{2}{3}+1)(x-\frac{2}{3}+2)(x-\frac{2}{3}+3)} \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{27} \left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3}$$

$$\Delta y = \frac{1}{27} (-3) \left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)^{-4} \Rightarrow \Delta^2 y = \frac{1}{27} 3 \times 4 \left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)^{-5}$$

$$= \frac{12}{27 \left((x-2/3)+1 \right) \left((x-2/3)+2 \right) \left((x-2/3)+3 \right) \left((x-2/3)+4 \right) \left((x-2/3)+5 \right)}$$

$$= \frac{12 \times 35}{27 (3x+1) (3x+4) (3x+7) (3x+10) (3x+13)}$$

$$= \frac{108}{(3x+1) (3x+4) (3x+7) (3x+10) (3x+13)}$$

Other difference operators

In this section we introduce the shift operator E and averaging operator μ

Def: The shift operator E is defined by,

$$\textcircled{*} E f(x) = f(x+h)$$

$$\text{Hence } E^2 f(x) = E f(x+h) = E f(x+2h)$$

In general for any positive integer n ,

$$\textcircled{*} E^n f(x) = f(x+nh)$$

The inverse operator E^{-1} is defined as

$$E^{-1} f(x) = f(x-h)$$

For any real number n we have,

$$E^n f(x) = f(x+nh)$$

$$\text{Note: } E^m E^n f(x) = E^{m+n} f(x)$$

Defn:- The averaging operator μ is defined by,

$$* \mu f(x) = \frac{f(x+h/2) + f(x-h/2)}{2}$$

There are several relations connecting the operators Δ , ∇ , S , E , μ and the differentiation operator D . These results are presented in the following theorem.

Theorem 6.4
proof:- $\Delta f(x)$

Hence

Theorem 6.5
proof:- $\nabla f(x)$

Hence,

Theorem
proof:- S

Theorem

proof:-

$\mu f(x)$

proof:-

Theorem 6.4 $E = 1 + \Delta$

proof:-

$$\Delta f(x) = f(x+h) - f(x)$$

$$= E f(x) - f(x)$$

$$= (E-1) f(x)$$

$$\text{Hence } \Delta = E-1$$

$$\therefore E = \Delta + 1$$

Theorem 6.5

$$\nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$$

proof

$$\nabla f(x) = f(x) - f(x-h)$$

$$= f(x) - E^{-1} f(x)$$

$$= (1 - E^{-1}) f(x)$$

$$\text{Hence, } \nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$$

Theorem 6.6

$$S = E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$$

proof:-

$$S f(x) = f(x+h/2) - f(x-h/2)$$

$$= E^{1/2} f(x) - E^{-1/2} f(x)$$

$$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) f(x)$$

$$S = E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$$

Theorem 6.7

$$\mu = \frac{E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}}{2}$$

proof:-

$$\mu f(x) = \frac{f(x+h/2) + f(x-h/2)}{2} \rightarrow \frac{E^{1/2} f(x) + E^{-1/2} f(x)}{2}$$

$$\mu f(x) = \left(\frac{E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}}{2} \right) f(x)$$

$$\mu = \frac{E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}}{2}$$

Theorem 6.8

$$S = E^{1/2} \nabla$$

proof:-

$$S f(x) = (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) f(x)$$

$$= E^{1/2} (1 - E^{-1}) f(x)$$

$$= E^{1/2} \nabla f(x) \text{ (using thm 6.5)}$$

$$S = E^{1/2} \nabla$$

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Theorem 6.9 $E = e^{hD}$

proof:-

The Taylor's series expansion of $y = f(x)$ is given by,

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + h f'(x) + \frac{h^2 f''(x)}{2!} + \dots + \frac{h^n f^{(n)}(x)}{n!} + \dots$$

$$E f(x) = f(x) + h D[f(x)] + \frac{h^2}{2!} D^2[f(x)] + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} D^n[f(x)] + \dots$$

$$= [1 + hD + \frac{h^2}{2!} D^2 + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} D^n + \dots] f(x)$$

$$\text{Hence, } E = 1 + hD + \frac{h^2}{2!} D^2 + \dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} D^n + \dots = e^{hD}$$

Thus $E = e^{hD}$

Theorem 6.10

$$D = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta - \frac{\Delta^2}{2} + \frac{\Delta^3}{3} - \dots \right]$$

proof:-

$$E = e^{hD} \text{ [by theorem 6.9]}$$

$$\therefore hD = \log E = \log(1 + \Delta)$$

$$= \Delta - \frac{\Delta^2}{2} + \frac{\Delta^3}{3} - \dots$$

$$D = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta - \frac{\Delta^2}{2} + \frac{\Delta^3}{3} - \dots \right]$$

NOTE: Taking E as the fundamental operator we have expressed the other operator $\Delta, \nabla, S, \mu, D$ in terms of E as

$$1. \Delta = E - 1 \quad 2. \nabla = 1 - E^{-1} \quad 3. S = E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$$

$$4. \mu = \frac{E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}}{2} \quad 5. D = \frac{1}{h} \log E$$

problem

$$1. \text{ P.T. } EV = VE = \Delta$$

$$\text{sol} \quad EV = E(1 - E^{-1}) = E - 1 = \Delta$$

$$\text{Also } VE = (1 - E^{-1})E = E - 1 = \Delta$$

$$2. \text{ P.T. } (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})(1 + \Delta)^{1/2} = 2 + \Delta$$

$$\text{sol} \quad (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})(1 + \Delta)^{1/2} = (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})E^{1/2}$$

$$= E + 1$$

$$= (1 + \Delta) + 1$$

$$= 2 + \Delta$$

$$3. \text{ P.T. } \Delta \nabla = \Delta - \nabla$$

$$\text{sol} \quad \Delta \nabla = (E - 1)(1 - E^{-1})$$

$$= E - 1 - 1 +$$

$$= E + E^{-1} -$$

$$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})^2$$

$$\Delta \nabla = S^2$$

$$\text{Also, } \Delta - \nabla = (E - 1) -$$

$$= E - 1 -$$

$$= E +$$

$$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})^2$$

$$\Delta - \nabla =$$

$$4. \text{ P.T. } EV^2 =$$

$$\text{sol} \quad \text{WKT } \mu =$$

$$\mu + 1/2 S$$

$$5. \text{ P.T. } \mu S =$$

$$\text{sol} \quad \frac{\Delta}{2} + \frac{\Delta E^{-1}}{2}$$

$$6. \text{ P.T. } 1 -$$

$$\text{sol} \quad \nabla$$

3. P.T $\Delta \nabla = \Delta - \nabla = S^2$

sol $\Delta \nabla = (1 - E^{-1})(E - 1)$

$= E - 1 - 1 + E^{-1}$

$= E + E^{-1} - 2$

$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})^2$

$\Delta \nabla = S^2$

Also, $\Delta - \nabla = (E - 1) - (1 - E^{-1})$

$= E - 1 - 1 + E^{-1}$

$= E + E^{-1} - 2$

$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})^2$

$\Delta - \nabla = S^2$

4. P.T $E^{1/2} = \mu + \frac{1}{2} S$

sol WKT $\mu = \frac{1}{2} (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})$ and $S = E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$

$\mu + \frac{1}{2} S = \frac{1}{2} (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}) + \frac{1}{2} (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) = E^{1/2}$

5. P.T $\mu S = \frac{\Delta}{2} + \frac{\Delta E^{-1}}{2}$

sol

$\frac{\Delta}{2} + \frac{\Delta E^{-1}}{2} = \frac{\Delta}{2} (1 + E^{-1})$

$= \frac{1}{2} (E - 1)(1 + E^{-1})$ ($\because \Delta = E - 1$)

$= \frac{1}{2} (E + E E^{-1} - 1 - E^{-1})$

$= \frac{1}{2} (E - E^{-1})$

$= \left(\frac{E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}}{2} \right) (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})$

$= \mu S$

\therefore [By defn
of μ & S]
(mu)

6. P.T $1 - e^{-hD} = \nabla$

sol WKT $D = \frac{1}{h} \log E$

$\therefore hD = \log E$

$e^{hD} = E$

$\frac{1}{e^{hD}} = \frac{1}{E} \rightarrow e^{-hD} = E^{-1} \rightarrow 1 - \nabla$

$\nabla = 1 - e^{-hD}$

$$T. \text{ p.T } \Delta + \nabla = \frac{\Delta}{\nabla} - \frac{\nabla}{\Delta}$$

$$\text{sol} \text{ WKT } \Delta = E^{-1} \text{ and } \nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta}{\nabla} - \frac{\nabla}{\Delta} &= \frac{E^{-1}}{1-E^{-1}} - \frac{1-E^{-1}}{E^{-1}} \rightarrow \frac{(E^{-1})^2 - (1-E^{-1})^2}{(1-E^{-1})(E^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{(E^{-1} - 1 + E^{-1})(E^{-1} + 1 - E^{-1})}{(E^{-1} - 1 + E^{-1})} \rightarrow E^{-1} + 1 - E^{-1} \\ &= \Delta + \nabla \end{aligned}$$

$$8. \text{ p.T } \delta = \Delta E^{-1/2} \text{ and hence p.T } E = \left(\frac{\Delta}{\delta}\right)^2$$

$$\text{sol} \Delta E^{-1/2} f(x) = \Delta f(x-h/2)$$

$$= f(x-h/2+h) - f(x-h/2)$$

$$= f(x+h/2) - f(x-h/2)$$

$$= \delta f(x)$$

$$\Delta E^{-1/2} = \delta$$

$$E^{-1/2} = \delta / \Delta$$

$$E^{1/2} = \Delta / \delta$$

$$E = \left(\frac{\Delta}{\delta}\right)^2$$

$$9. \text{ p.T } hD = \log(1+\Delta) = -\log(1-\nabla) = \sinh^{-1}(\mu\delta)$$

$$\text{sol} \text{ WKT } E = e^{hD} \text{ (by thm 6.9)}$$

$$e^{hD} = 1 + \Delta$$

Taking logarithm on both sides we have $hD = \log(1+\Delta)$

$$\text{Also } \nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$$

$$E^{-1} = 1 - \nabla$$

$$(e^{hD})^{-1} = 1 - \nabla$$

$$\text{ie, } e^{-hD} = 1 - \nabla$$

Taking logarithm on both sides we have,

$$-hD = \log(1-\nabla)$$

$$hD = -\log(1-\nabla)$$

$$\sinh(hD) = \frac{e^{hD} - e^{-hD}}{2} \text{ [by defn of \& hyperbolic fn]}$$

$$= \frac{E - E^{-1}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})(E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})$$

$$= \left(\frac{E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2}}{2}\right)(E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})$$

$$= \mu\delta$$

$$\therefore hD = \sinh^{-1}(\mu\delta)$$

$$10. \text{ p.T } \frac{1}{2} S^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{sol} \frac{1}{2} S^2 + S \sqrt{1 + \frac{S^2}{4}}$$

$$11. \text{ p.T } \nabla f(x)$$

$$\text{sol} \text{ WKT } \nabla$$

we prove

$$\nabla f(x) =$$

\therefore The

Let us

\therefore \nabla

Now, \nabla

for

\therefore \Delta

$$10. \text{ p.t. } \frac{1}{2} S^2 + S \sqrt{1 + \frac{S^2}{4}} = \Delta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sol)} \quad \frac{1}{2} S^2 + S \sqrt{1 + \frac{S^2}{4}} &= \frac{1}{2} S \left[S + 2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{S^2}{4}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} S (S + \sqrt{4 + S^2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} S [(E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) + 4 + (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2})^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} S [(E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) + \sqrt{(E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})^2}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} S [(E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) + (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} S [2E^{1/2}] \\ &= S E^{1/2} \Rightarrow (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) E^{1/2} \\ &= E^{-1} \\ &= \Delta \end{aligned}$$

11. p. $\nabla^r f(x) = \Delta^r f(x-r)$ for any positive integer r .

sol) WKT $\nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$ and $\Delta = E^{-1}$

we prove the required result by induction on r when $r=1$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(x) &= (1 - E^{-1}) f(x) \\ &= f(x) - f(x-1) \\ &= \Delta f(x-1) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The result is true for $r=1$

Let us assume that the result is true for $r=k$

$$\therefore \nabla^k f(x) = \Delta^k f(x-k)$$

$$\text{Now, } \nabla^{k+1} f(x) = \nabla (\nabla^k f(x))$$

$$= \nabla (\Delta^k f(x-k))$$

$$= (1 - E^{-1}) \Delta^k f(x-k)$$

$$= \Delta^k f(x-k) - \Delta^k f(x-k-1)$$

$$= \Delta^k f(x-k) - \Delta^k f(x-(k+1))$$

$$= \Delta^k [f(x-k) - f(x-(k+1))]$$

$$= \Delta^k [\Delta f(x-(k+1))]$$

$$= \Delta^{k+1} f(x-(k+1)) \quad \text{Hence the result is true}$$

for $r=k+1$

$\therefore \Delta^r f(x) = \Delta^r f(x-r)$ for all natural numbers r .

12. Taking $h=1$ find $(\Delta + \nabla)^2 f(x)$ where $f(x) = x^2 + x$
 sol

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta + \nabla)^2 f(x) &= (E-1 + 1-E^{-1})^2 (x^2 + x) \\ &= (E-E^{-1})^2 (x^2 + x) \\ &= (E^2 + E^{-2} - 2E) (x^2 + x) \\ &= [(x+2)^2 + (x+2)] + [(x-2)^2 + (x-2)] - 2(x^2 + x) \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

13. P.T $y_4 = y_3 + \Delta y_2 + \Delta^2 y_1 + \Delta^3 y_1$

sol

$$\begin{aligned} y_3 + \Delta y_2 + \Delta^2 y_1 + \Delta^3 y_1 &= y_3 + (E-1)y_2 + (E-1)^2 y_1 + (E-1)^3 y_1 \\ &= y_3 + y_3 - y_2 + (E^2 - 2E + 1)y_1 + (E^3 - 3E^2 + 3E - 1)y_1 \\ &= 2y_3 - y_2 + y_3 - 2y_2 + y_1 + y_4 - 3y_3 + 3y_2 - y_1 \\ &= y_4 \end{aligned}$$

14. P.T $\Delta^2 y_2 = \nabla^2 y_4$

sol

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 y_2 &= (E-1)^2 y_2 \\ &= (E^2 - 2E + 1)y_2 \\ &= y_4 - 2y_3 + y_2 \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 y_4 &= (1-E^{-1})^2 y_4 \\ &= (1 - 2E^{-1} + E^{-2}) y_4 \\ &= y_4 - 2y_3 + y_2 \quad \text{--- (2)} \end{aligned}$$

From (1) & (2) we get

$$\Delta^2 y_2 = \nabla^2 y_4$$

15. given $u_0 = 2$ $u_1 = 11$ $u_2 = 80$ $u_3 = 200$ $u_4 = 100$ $u_5 = 8$
 find $\nabla^5 u_5$ i. without constructing the difference table
 ii. by constructing the difference table.

sol:-

i. WKT $\nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^5 u_5 &= (1 - E^{-1})^5 u_5 \\ &= 4_5 5E^{-1}(u_5) + 10E^{-2}(u_5) - 10E^{-3}(u_5) + 5E^{-4}(u_5) - E^{-5}(u_5) \\ &= u_5 - 5u_4 + 10u_3 - 10u_2 + 5u_1 - u_0 \\ &= 8 - 500 + 2000 - 800 + 55 - 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^5 u_5 = 761$$

ii. we have $\nabla^n u(x) = \Delta^n u(x-n)$

Hence $\nabla^5 u_5 = \Delta^5 u_0$

we construct the forward difference table.

x	u	Δu	$\Delta^2 u$	$\Delta^3 u$	$\Delta^4 u$	$\Delta^5 u$
0	2	9	60	-9	-262	761
1	11	69	51	-271	449	
2	80	120	-220	228		
3	200	-100	8			
4	100	-92				
5	8					

$$\nabla^5 u_5 = \Delta^5 u_0 = 761$$

16. If $u_0 = 1$ $u_1 = 5$ $u_2 = 8$ $u_3 = 3$ $u_4 = 7$ $u_5 = 0$ Find $\Delta^5 u_0$

sol $\Delta^5 u_0 = (E - 1)^5 u_0$

$$(E^5 - 5E^4 + 10E^3 - 10E^2 + 5E - 1) u_0$$

$$= E^5 u_0 - 5E^4 u_0 + 10E^3 u_0 - 10E^2 u_0 + 5E u_0 - u_0$$

$$= u_5 - 5u_4 + 10u_3 - 10u_2 + 5u_1 - u_0$$

$$= -35 + 30 - 80 + 25 - 1$$

$$\Delta^5 u_0 = -61$$

17. Estimate the missing term in the following table

x	0	1	2	3	4
$u(x)$	1	3	9	-	81

Explain why the resulting value differs from 33

sol

Let the missing term in $u(x)$ be a

consider $\Delta^4 u_0 = 0$

(since 4 values are given)

$$\therefore (E - 1)^4 u_0 = 0$$

$$(E^4 - 4E^3 + 6E^2 - 4E + 1) u_0 = 0$$

$$u_4 - 4u_3 + 6u_2 - 4u_1 + u_0 = 0$$

$$81 - 4a + 54 - 12 + 1 = 0$$

$$124 - 4a = 0$$

$$a = 31$$

we understand from the data that $u(x)$ satisfies the relation $u(x) = 3^x$ while estimating for $u(3)$ the basic assumption is that $u(x)$ is a polynomial of degree 3. But 3^x is not a polynomial but an exponential fn. Hence the assumption is violated in this case and so we are not getting $u(3) = 3^3 = 27$.

18. Given an estimate of the population is 1971 from the following table

Year	1941	1951	1961	1971	1981	1991
population in lakhs	363	391	421	?	467	501

sol Let the population in 1971 be a let $u_0 = 363$ $u_1 = 391$

$$u_2 = 421 \quad u_3 = a \quad u_4 = 467 \quad u_5 = 501$$

since five values are given $\Delta^5 u_0 = 0$

$$(E-1)^5 u_0 = 0$$

$$(E^5 - 5E^4 + 10E^3 - 10E^2 + 5E - 1) u_0 = 0$$

$$u_5 - 5u_4 + 10u_3 - 10u_2 + 5u_1 - u_0 = 0$$

$$501 - 2335 + 10a - 4210 + 1955 - 363 = 0$$

$$10a - 4452 = 0$$

$$a = 445.2 \text{ lakhs}$$

Hence the estimated population in 1971 is 445.2 lakhs

19. Given that $u_0 + u_8 = 80$ $u_1 + u_7 = 10$ $u_2 + u_6 = 5$ $u_3 + u_5 = 10$
Find u_4

sol Since 4 values are given $\Delta^4 u(x) = 0$ for all $n \geq 4$

In particular $\Delta^8 u_0 = 0$ Hence $(E-1)^8 u_0 = 0$

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$$u_8 - 8u_7 + 28u_6 - 56u_5 + 70u_4 - 56u_3 + 28u_2 - 8u_1 + u_0 = 0$$

$$(u_0 + u_8) - 8(u_1 + u_7) + 28(u_2 + u_6) - 56(u_3 + u_5) + 70u_4 = 0$$

$$80 - 80 + 140 - 560 + 70u_4 = 0$$

$$70u_4 = 480$$

$$u_4 = 6$$

20. Given that $u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = 25$, $u_4 = 29$, $u_5 + u_6 = 113$ find the polynomial $u(x)$ and hence find u_0 .

solⁿ since three values are given $u(x)$ is a polynomial of degree 2.

$$\text{let } u(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$\text{we note } u_1 = a + b + c \quad u_2 = 4a + 2b + c \quad u_3 = 9a + 3b + c$$

$$\text{or } u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = 25$$

$$14a + 6b + 3c = 25 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Now } u_4 = 29 \Rightarrow 16a + 4b + c = 29 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$u_5 + u_6 = 113 \Rightarrow 61a + 11b + 2c = 113 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

solving (1), (2) & (3) we get $a = 2$, $b = -1$, $c = 1$

$$\therefore u(x) = 2x^2 - x + 1$$

$$\text{Now, } u_0 = 100a + 10b + c = 200 - 10 + 1$$

$$u_0 = 191$$

$$21. \text{ If } u_1 = (12-x)(4+x) \quad u_2 = (5-x)(4-x) \quad u_3 = (2+18)(x+6) \times$$

$u_4 = 94$ obtain a value of x assuming second difference constant

solⁿ Since the second order differences are assumed to be constant the third order differences of the fn u will all be zero

$$\Delta^3 u = 0 \quad \text{Hence } (E-1)^3 u = 0$$

$$(E^3 - 3E^2 + 3E - 1)u = 0$$

$$u_4 - 3u_3 + 3u_2 - u_1 = 0$$

$$94 - 3(x+18)(x+6) + 3(5-x)(4-x) - (12-x)(4+x) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } x^2 - 107x - 218 = 0$$

$$(x-109)(x+2) = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } x = 109 \quad x = -2$$

22. P.T $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) x^3 = 6x$

sol

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) x^3 &= \Delta^2 E^{-1}(x^3) \\ &= \Delta^2(x-1)^3 \\ &= \Delta^2(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1)\end{aligned}$$

let $y = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1$

we now express y as factorial polynomial.

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 \quad \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ \downarrow & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right. \\ 1 \quad \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ \downarrow & 1 & -2 & \end{array} \right| -1 \\ 2 \quad \left| \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ \downarrow & 2 & \end{array} \right| 1 \\ \quad \quad \quad 1 \quad 1^0 \end{array}$$

$$y = x^{(3)} + x^{(1)} - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= \Delta(x^{(3)} + x^{(1)} - 1) \\ &= 3x^{(2)} + 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta^2 y = 3 \times 2x^{(1)} + 0 = 6x$$

Hence, $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) x^3 = 6x$.

23. P.T i. $\nabla^2 y_8 = y_8 - 2y_7 + y_6$ ii. $\nabla^2 y_5 = y_5 - 2y_4 + y_3$

sol i. $\nabla^2 y_8 = \nabla(\nabla y_8)$

$$= \nabla(y_8 - y_7)$$

$$= \nabla y_8 - \nabla y_7$$

$$= (y_8 - y_7) - (y_7 - y_6)$$

$$\nabla^2 y_8 = y_8 - 2y_7 + y_6$$

ii.

$$\nabla^2 y_5 = \nabla(\nabla y_5)$$

$$= \nabla\left(\frac{y_{11}}{\Delta} - \frac{y_9}{\Delta}\right)$$

$$= \Delta \frac{y_{11}}{\Delta} - \Delta \frac{y_9}{\Delta}$$

$$= (y_6 - y_5) - (y_5 - y_4)$$

$$\nabla^2 y_5 = y_6 - 2y_5 + y_4$$

24. Explain the difference b/w $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) f(x)$ and $\frac{\Delta^2 f(x)}{E f(x)}$ & find the value of these when $f(x) = x^2$

sol $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) f(x) = ((E-1)^2 E^{-1}) f(x)$
 $= (E-2+1) f(x)$
 $= f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h) \quad \text{--- (1)}$

Also, $\frac{\Delta^2 f(x)}{E f(x)} = \frac{(E-1)^2 f(x)}{E f(x)}$
 $= \frac{(E^2 - 2E + 1) f(x)}{f(x+h)}$
 $= \frac{f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) + f(x)}{f(x+h)} \quad \text{--- (2)}$

from (1) & (2) we note that $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) f(x) \neq \frac{\Delta^2 f(x)}{E f(x)}$
 taking $f(x) = x^2$ in (1) & (2) we have,

$\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right) f(x) = (x+h)^2 - 2x^2 + (x-h)^2 = 2h^2$
 $\frac{\Delta^2 f(x)}{E f(x)} = \frac{(x+2h)^2 - 2(x+h)^2 + x^2}{(x+h)^2} = \frac{2h}{x+h}$

summation of series

The concept of finite differences can be applied to find the sum to n terms of given series

let $S_n = v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_n = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i$

let $v_i = \Delta u_i$ so that $u_i = \Delta^{-1} u_i$

$\therefore v_i = \Delta u_i = u_{i+1} - u_i \quad (\text{Taking } h=1)$

Thus, $v_1 = u_2 - u_1$

$v_2 = u_3 - u_2$

$v_n = u_{n+1} - u_n$

here $S_n = v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_n = u_{n+1} - u_1 = \Delta^{-1} v_{n+1} - \Delta^{-1} v_1$

Theorem 6.11 Montmort's theorem

$$u_0 + u_1 x + u_2 x^2 + \dots = \frac{u_0}{1-x} + \frac{x \Delta u_0}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{x^2 \Delta^2 u_0}{(1-x)^3} + \dots$$

proof:-

$$u_0 + u_1 x + u_2 x^2 + \dots = u_0 + x u_1 + x^2 u_2 + \dots$$

$$= u_0 + x E u_0 + x^2 E^2 u_0 + \dots$$

$$= [1 + x E + x^2 E^2 + \dots] u_0$$

$$= (1 - x E)^{-1} u_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - x E)} u_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - x(1 + \Delta))} u_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - x - x \Delta} u_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)(1 - \frac{x \Delta}{1-x})} u_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)} \left(1 - \frac{x \Delta}{1-x} \right)^{-1} u_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-x} \left[1 + \frac{x \Delta}{1-x} + \frac{x^2 \Delta^2}{(1-x)^2} + \dots \right] u_0$$

$$= \frac{u_0}{1-x} + \frac{x \Delta u_0}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{x^2 \Delta^2 u_0}{(1-x)^3} + \dots$$

problems

1. Sum the series to n terms of $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 + \dots$

sol The n th terms of the series is given by

$$V_n = n(n+1)(n+2) = (n+2)(n+1)n$$

$$= (n+2)^{(3)} \text{ (with } h=1)$$

$$\therefore S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \Delta^{-1} V_{n+1} - \Delta^{-1} V_1$$

$$= \Delta^{-1} (n+3)^3 - \Delta^{-1} V_1$$

$$S_n = \frac{(n+3)^4}{4} - 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (n+3)(n+2)(n+1)n$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{4} n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)$$

2. Sum to n

sol The n th

$$V_n = n(n+1)$$

$$= n^3 + n$$

we express

0	1
	↓
1	1
	↓
2	1
	↓
	1

$$\therefore V_n = n^3 + n$$

$$\text{Now, } S_n =$$

3. use

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots$$

sol

Th

$$V_n =$$

$$\therefore S_n$$

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2. Sum to n terms of the series $1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 + \dots$

Sol The n^{th} term of the series is

$$V_n = n(n+2)(n+4) \\ = n^3 + 6n^2 + 8n$$

We express $n^3 + 6n^2 + 8n$ as factorial polynomial with $h=1$.

0	1	6	8	0
	↓	0	0	0
1	1	6	8	10
	↓	1	7	
2	1	7	15	
	↓	2		
	1	9		

$$\therefore V_n = n^{(3)} + 9n^{(2)} + 15n^{(1)}$$

$$\text{Now, } S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \Delta^{-1} V_{n+1} - \Delta^{-1} V_1$$

$$= \Delta^{-1} [(n+1)^{(3)} + 9(n+1)^{(2)} + 15(n+1)^{(1)}] - 0$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)^{(4)}}{4} + \frac{9(n+1)^{(3)}}{3} + \frac{15(n+1)^{(2)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)n(n-1)(n-2)}{4} + 3(n+1)n(n-1) + \frac{15}{2}(n+1)n$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)}{4} [n^2 - 3n + 2 + 12n - 12 + 30]$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(n^2 + 9n + 20)}{4} \rightarrow \frac{n(n+1)(n+4)(n+5)}{4}$$

3. Use the method of finite differences to prove

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(n+1)}{6}$$

Sol

The n^{th} term of the series is given by,

$$U_n = n^2 = n(n-1) + n = n^{(2)} + n^{(1)}$$

$$\therefore S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \Delta^{-1} V_{n+1} - \Delta^{-1} V_1$$

$$= \Delta^{-1} [(n+1)^{(2)} + (n+1)^{(1)}] - 0$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)^{(3)}}{3} - \frac{(n+1)^{(2)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)n(n-1)}{3} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$= n(n+1) \left(\frac{2n-2+3}{6} \right)$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

4. Sum to n term of the series $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \dots$

sol: The n th term of the series is given by,

$$v_n = \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = (n-1)^{-3}$$

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i = \Delta^{-1}_{v_{n+1}} - \Delta^{-1}_{v_1}$$

Now, $\Delta^{-1}_{v_{n+1}} = \Delta^{-1}_{n^{-3}} = \frac{-n^{-2}}{2}$

$$= \frac{-1}{2(n+1)(n+2)}$$

$$\Delta^{-1}_{v_1} = \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$S_n = \frac{-1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$$

5. Find the sum to infinity of the series $1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3x + 3 \cdot 4x^2 + \dots$

sol: Comparing the given series with $u_0 + u_1x + u_2x^2 + \dots$ we get $u_0 = 2$ $u_1 = 6$ $u_2 = 12$ $u_3 = 20$

The difference table for these values is given below,

u	Δu	$\Delta^2 u$	$\Delta^3 u$
$u_0 = 2$			
$u_1 = 6$	4	2	0
$u_2 = 12$	6	2	
$u_3 = 20$	8		

By Montmort's theorem,

$$1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3x + 3 \cdot 4x^2 + \dots = \frac{u_0}{1-x} + \frac{x \Delta u_0}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{x^2 \Delta^2 u_0}{(1-x)^3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{1-x} + \frac{4x}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{2x^2}{(1-x)^3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1-x)^3}.$$

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