

# Bernoulli symbol on multiple zeta values at negative integers

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## Bernoulli Numbers & Bernoulli Polynomials

#### Definition

Bernoulli numbers  $B_n$  and Bernoulli polynomials  $B_n(x)$  are given by their exponential generating functions:  $(B_{2n+1} = 0)$ 

$$\frac{t}{e^t-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n \frac{t^n}{n!} \text{ and } \frac{t e^{\mathbf{x}t}}{e^t-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(\mathbf{x}) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

#### **Examples**

$$1^{n} + 2^{n} + \dots + N^{n} = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} {n+1 \choose i} B_{n+1-i} N^{i} = \frac{B_{n+1} (N+1) - B_{n+1}}{n+1}.$$

Riemann-zeta: for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ 

$$\zeta(2n) = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(2\pi)^{2n} B_{2n}}{2(2n)!}, \ \zeta(-n) = -\frac{B_{n+1}}{n+1} = (-1)^n \frac{B_{n+1}}{n+1}.$$

## Umbral Calculus

#### Key Idea:

$$\mathcal{B}^n \mapsto \mathcal{B}_n$$
: i.e., super index $\leftrightarrow$ lower index.

Why?

## Simplification

$$B_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} B_{n-k} x^k = (\mathcal{B} + x)^n.$$

#### And

$$1^{n} + \dots + N^{n} = \frac{B_{n+1}(N+1) - B_{n+1}}{n+1} = \frac{1}{n+1} \left( (B+N+1)^{n+1} - B^{n+1} \right)$$
$$= \Delta_{N+1} \circ \left( \int_{0}^{t} (B+x)^{n} dx \right) \Big|_{t=0} \left( = \left( \Delta \cdot \int \right) \circ B_{n}(x) \right)$$



# Umbral Calculus (Cont.)

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Norlünd:

$$\left(\frac{t}{e^{t}-1}\right)^{p}e^{tx} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n}^{(p)}(x) \frac{t^{n}}{n!} \Leftrightarrow B_{n}^{(p)} = \left(\underbrace{\mathcal{B}_{1} + \dots + \mathcal{B}_{p}}_{i \text{ i.i.d.}} + x\right)^{n}$$

Bernoulli-Barnes: for  $\mathbf{a}=(a_1,\ldots,a_p)$ ,  $|\mathbf{a}|=\prod\limits_{l=1}^p a_l\neq 0$ 

$$e^{tx}\prod_{i=1}^{p}\frac{t}{e^{a_{i}t}-1}=\sum_{i=0}^{\infty}B_{n}(\mathbf{a};x)\frac{t^{n}}{n!}\Leftrightarrow B_{n}(\mathbf{a};x)=\frac{1}{|\mathbf{a}|}\left(x+\mathbf{a}\cdot\vec{\mathcal{B}}\right)^{n}$$

## MZV:Defintion

#### Recall

Riemann-zeta: for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , the AC  $\zeta(-n) = (-1)^n \frac{B_{n+1}}{n+1}$ .

#### Definition

$$\zeta_{r}(n_{1},\ldots,n_{r}) = \sum_{0 < k_{1} < \cdots < k_{r}} \frac{1}{k_{1}^{n_{1}} \cdots k_{r}^{n_{r}}} = \sum_{k_{1},\ldots,k_{r}=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k_{1}^{n_{1}}(k_{1} + k_{2})^{n_{2}} \cdots (k_{1} + \cdots + k_{r})^{n_{r}}}$$

B. Sadaoui's analytic continuation is based on Raabe's identity by linking

$$Y_{a}(n) = \int_{[1,\infty)^{r}} \frac{dx}{(x_{1} + a_{1}) \cdots (x_{1} + a_{1} + \cdots + x_{r} + a_{r})^{n_{r}}}$$

to the multiple zeta function

$$Z(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} \frac{1}{(k_1 + z_1)^{n_1} \cdots (k_1 + z_1 + \dots + k_r + z_r)^{n_r}}$$



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$$\times \sum_{l_{1},...,l_{r}} \binom{\bar{n}+r-\bar{k}}{l_{1}} \binom{k_{2}}{l_{2}} \cdots \binom{k_{r}}{l_{r}} B_{l_{1}} \cdots B_{l_{r}},$$

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## $\mathcal{C}$ symbol

## Theorem(L. Jiu, V. H. Moll and C. Vignat)

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where

$$C_1^n = \frac{\mathcal{B}_1^n}{2}, C_{1,2}^n = \frac{(C_1 + \mathcal{B}_2)^n}{2}, \dots, C_{1,\dots,k+1}^n = \frac{(C_{1,\dots,k} + \mathcal{B}_{k+1})^n}{2}$$

#### Example

$$\zeta(-n) = (-1)^n \, \mathcal{C}^{n+1} = (-1)^n \, \frac{B_{n+1}}{n+1}. \quad \zeta_2(-n,0) = (-1)^n \, \mathcal{C}_1^{n+1} \cdot (-1)^0 \, \mathcal{C}_{1,2}^{0+1} \\
= (-1)^n \, \frac{C_1 + B_2}{1} \cdot C_1^{n+1} \\
= (-1)^n \, (\mathcal{C}_1^{n+2} + B_2 \mathcal{C}_1^{n+1}) \\
= (-1)^n \left[ \frac{B_{n+2}}{n+2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{B_{n+1}}{n+1} \right].$$

## Results

## Theorem(L. Jiu, V. H. Moll and C. Vignat)

$$\zeta_r(n_1,\ldots,n_r;z_1,\ldots,z_r) := \sum_{k_1,\ldots,k_r>0} \frac{1}{(k_1+z_1)^{n_1}\cdots(k_1+z_1+\cdots+k_r+z_r)^{n_r}}$$

$$\zeta_r(-n_1,\ldots,-n_r;z_1,\ldots,z_r) := \prod_{k=1}^r (-1)^{n_k} (\mathcal{C}_{1,\ldots,k}+z_k)^{n_k+1},$$

where  $(C_{1,...,k+1} + x)^n = (C_{1,...,k} + B_{k+1} + x)^n / n$ .



# Theorem(L. Jiu, V. H. Moll and C. Vignat)

Recurrence:

$$\zeta_{r}\left(-\mathsf{n};\mathsf{z}\right) = \frac{\left(-1\right)^{n_{r}}}{n_{r}+1} \sum_{l=0}^{n_{r}+1} \binom{n_{r}+1}{l} \left(-1\right)^{l} \zeta_{r-1}\left(-\mathsf{n}_{r-2},-n_{r-1}-l;\mathsf{z}_{r-1}\right) B_{n_{1}+1-l}\left(\mathsf{z}_{r}\right);$$

Contiguity: for  $\mathcal{Z}_r^l = \zeta_r(-\mathbf{n}_{r-1}, -n_r - l; \mathbf{z})$ :

$$\zeta_r(-\mathbf{n}; \mathbf{z}_{r-1}, z_r + 1) = \zeta_r(-\mathbf{n}; \mathbf{z}_{r-1}, z_r) + (-1)^{n_r} (z_r - \mathcal{Z}_{r-1})^{n_r};$$



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#### Generating Function

$$F_r(w_1, \dots, w_r) := \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_r \ge 0} \frac{w_1^{n_1} \cdots w_r^{n_r}}{n_1! \cdots n_r!} \zeta_r(-n_1, \dots, -n_r)$$
  
=  $(F_1(w_r, -\partial_{r-1}) \cdots F_1(w_r, -\partial_1)) \bullet F_1(w_1, 0)$ .

where  $\partial_i = \partial/\partial w_i$  and

$$F_1(w,z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{w^n}{n!} \zeta(-n,z) = \frac{e^{-wz}}{e^{-w}-1} - \frac{1}{w}.$$

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This shows the two appoaches, by Raabe's identity and Euler-Maclaurin summation formula, lead to analytic continuations of MZVs, which coincide on negative integer values.

Why?

Well,.... I do not know.....



## What's Next



- Raabe's identity and Euler-Maclaurin summation formula;
- Probabilitistic aspect;
- Bernoulli symbol on other areas;

Thank you