The right-hand side of (2·3) need not converge, but, if we assume that it does, expression (2·3) suggests the unbiased estimator for $\Delta(t)$

$$\hat{\Delta}(t) = n_1 t - n_2 t^2 + n_3 t^3 - \dots \ . \tag{2·4}$$

For the Shakespeare data with $t = 1$ this estimate is

$$\hat{\Delta}(1) = 11\,430. \tag{2·5}$$