

# Asymptotic Iteration Method for Hahn Difference Equations

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# What's the Asymptotic Iteration Method?

A way to solve a special class of differential equations

$$y''(x) = \lambda_0(x)y'(x) + s_0(x)y(x)$$

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## AIM Sequence

Define  $\lambda_n(x)$  to be

$$\lambda_n(x) = \lambda'_{n-1}(x) + s_{n-1}(x) + \lambda_0(x)\lambda_{n-1}(x)$$

and  $s_n(x)$  to be

$$s_n(x) = s'_{n-1}(x) + s_0(x)\lambda_{n-1}(x).$$

# What's the Asymptotic Iteration Method?

Terminating Condition and main conclusion

If  $\frac{s_n(x)}{\lambda_n(x)} = \frac{s_{n-1}(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)}$  then the solution is

$$y(x) = \exp\left(-\int^x \frac{s_n(t)}{\lambda_n(t)} dt\right) \\ \times \left[ C_2 + C_1 \int^x \exp\left(\int^t \left(\lambda_0(\tau) + 2\frac{s_n(\tau)}{\lambda_n(\tau)}\right) d\tau\right) dt \right]$$

# What's a Hahn Difference Equation?

## The Hahn Difference Operator

The Hahn operator  $\Delta_{q;w}$  was introduced by Wolfgang Hahn in 1948 and is defined as

$$\Delta_{q;w}y(x) = \frac{y(qx + w) - y(x)}{qx + w - x}, \quad 0 < q < 1, w > 0$$

It's a generalization of the  $q$ -derivative

$$D_qy(x) = \frac{y(qx) - y(x)}{qx - x}$$

and the finite difference operator

$$\Delta_wy(x) = \frac{y(x + w) - y(x)}{w}$$

# What's a Hahn Difference Equation?

## The Hahn Difference Operator

We can even get the ordinary derivative by taking the limit of both these

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & D_q y(x) & & \\ & \nearrow^{w \rightarrow 0} & & \searrow_{q \rightarrow 1} & \\ \Delta_{q;w} y(x) & \overset{\quad q \rightarrow 1 \quad w \rightarrow 0 \quad}{\underset{\quad w \rightarrow 0 \quad q \rightarrow 1 \quad}{\dashrightarrow}} & \frac{d}{dx} y(x) & & \\ & \searrow_{q \rightarrow 1} & & \nearrow_{w \rightarrow 0} & \\ & & \Delta_w y(x) & & \end{array}$$

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Why was it created?

So what did Hahn do with this operator?

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Why was it created?

## Über Orthogonalpolynome, die $q$ -Differenzgleichungen genügen.

VON WOLFGANG HAHN in Berlin.

(Eingegangen am 9. 8. 1948.)

### § 1. Problemstellung.

Es sei  $M_0, M_1, \dots, M_n, \dots$  eine Zahlenfolge. Die Hankelschen Determinanten

$$D_{0,n} = |M_{i+k}| \quad (i, k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1)$$

mögen für alle  $n$  von Null verschieden sein. Die Polynome

$$(1.1) \quad p_n(x) = \frac{1}{D_{0,n}} \begin{vmatrix} M_0 & M_1 & \dots & M_n \\ M_1 & M_2 & \dots & M_{n+1} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ M_{n-1} & M_n & \dots & M_{2n-1} \\ 1 & x & \dots & x^n \end{vmatrix}$$

genügen bekanntlich einer dreigliedrigen linearen Rekursionsformel

$$(1.2) \quad p_n(x) = (x + \alpha_n) p_{n-1}(x) + \beta_n p_{n-2}(x).$$

Sind alle  $D_{0,n}$  positiv (und damit alle  $\beta_n$  negativ), so existieren mindestens eine „Belegungsfunktion“  $\psi(x)$  und ein reelles Intervall  $(a, b)$  derart, daß

$$\int_a^b x^n d\psi(x) = M_n, \quad \int_a^b p_n(x) p_m(x) d\psi(x) = 0 \quad (m \neq n).$$

I'm not sure!



# What's a Hahn Difference Equation?

## The Difference Equation

The second order linear homogeneous Hahn difference equation is

$$\Delta_{q;w}^2 y(x) = \lambda(x) \Delta_{q;w} y(x) + s(x) y(x)$$

In general there is no known solution

The extension of the Asymptotic Iteration Method(AIM) to Hahn operator is called qw-AIM.

Let  $x_i = q^i x + w \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} q^k$ , the  $i^{th}$  composition of  $qx + w$ . The second order linear homogeneous Hahn difference equation

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} \left[ 1 - q^i ((q-1)x + w) \frac{s_{n-1}(x_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x_i)} \right]} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{q^i ((q-1)x + w)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x_i)}}{\prod_{j=0}^i \left[ 1 - q^j ((q-1)x + w) \frac{s_{n-1}(x_j)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x_j)} \right] \prod_{j=0}^{\infty} \left[ 1 + q^{i+j} ((q-1)x + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x_{i+j})}{\lambda_{n-1}(x_{i+j})} \right]}$$

for  $0 < q < 1$ ,  $w > 0$  provided that

$$\frac{s_n(x)}{\lambda_n(x)} = \frac{s_{n-1}(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)} \text{ equivalently } \delta_n := s_n(x)\lambda_{n-1}(x) - \lambda_n(x)s_{n-1}(x) = 0.$$

First  $x_i = q^i x + w \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} q^k$  is just the  $i$ 'th composition of  $qx + w$

$$x_0 = x$$

$$x_1 = qx + w$$

$$x_2 = q(qx + w) + w = q^2x + qw + w$$

$$x_3 = q(q(qx + w) + w) + w = q^3x + q^2w + qw + w$$

...

$$x_i = q^i x + w \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} q^k.$$

Note that if  $i \rightarrow \infty$  and  $x_i$  converges then  $x_i \rightarrow \frac{w}{1-q} := w_0$

# qw-AIM

How do we get there?

Start by differentiating the original equation

$$\Delta_{q:w}^2 y(x) = \lambda_0(x) \Delta_{q:w} y(x) + s_0(x) y(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{q:w}^3 y(x) &= \Delta_{q:w} [\lambda_0(x) \Delta_{q:w} y(x)] + \Delta_{q:w} [s_0(x) y(x)] \\ &= \lambda_0(qx + w) \Delta_{q:w}^2 y(x) + \Delta_{q:w} y(x) \Delta_{q:w} \lambda_0(x) \\ &\quad + s_0(qx + w) \Delta_{q:w} y(x) + y(x) \Delta_{q:w} s_0(x) \\ &= \lambda_0(qx + w) [\lambda_0(x) \Delta_{q:w} y(x) + s_0(x) y(x)] \\ &\quad + \Delta_{q:w} y(x) \Delta_{q:w} \lambda_0(x) + s_0(qx + w) \Delta_{q:w} y(x) \\ &\quad + y(x) \Delta_{q:w} s_0(x) \\ &= \Delta_{q:w} y(x) [\Delta_{q:w} \lambda_0(x) + \lambda_0(qx + w) \lambda_0(x) + s_0(qx + w)] \\ &\quad + y(x) [\lambda_0(qx + w) s_0(x) + \Delta_{q:w} s_0(x)] \\ &= \lambda_1(x) \Delta_{q:w} y(x) + s_1(x) y(x) \end{aligned}$$

# qw-AIM

## the qw-AIM Sequence

This is where we get our qw-AIM sequence

$$\Delta_{q:w}^{n+2}y(x) = \lambda_n(x)\Delta_{q:w}y(x) + s_n(x)y(x)$$

so

$$\lambda_n(x) = \Delta_{q:w}\lambda_{n-1}(x) + \lambda_{n-1}(qx + w)\lambda_0(x) + s_{n-1}(qx + w)$$

$$s_n(x) = \Delta_{q:w}s_{n-1}(x) + \lambda_{n-1}(qx + w)s_0(x)$$

Consider the ratio

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta_{q;w}^{n+2}y(x)}{\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(x)} &= \frac{\lambda_n(x)\Delta_{q;w}y(x) + s_n(x)y(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)\Delta_{q;w}y(x) + s_{n-1}(x)y(x)} \\ &= \frac{\lambda_n(x) \left[ \Delta_{q;w}y(x) + \frac{s_n(x)}{\lambda_n(x)}y(x) \right]}{\lambda_{n-1}(x) \left[ \Delta_{q;w}y(x) + \frac{s_{n-1}(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)}y(x) \right]}. \end{aligned}$$

If the *terminating condition*  $\frac{s_n}{\lambda_n} = \frac{s_{n-1}}{\lambda_{n-1}}$  is satisfied we have

$$\frac{\Delta_{q;w}^{n+2}y(x)}{\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(x)} = \frac{\lambda_n(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)} \text{ or } \Delta_{q;w}\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(x) = \frac{\lambda_n(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)}\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(x).$$

This is actually a first order difference equation in  $\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(x)$ !

# qw-AIM

## The first order homogeneous difference equation

We can actually solve the first order difference equation

$$\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(x) = \frac{\Delta_{q;w}^{n+1}y(w_0)}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 + q^i((q-1)x + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]}.$$

With some more manipulation...



# qw-AIM

## The first order homogeneous difference equation

$$\Delta_{q:w}^{n+1} y(x) = \frac{\Delta_{q:w}^{n+1} y(w_0)}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 + q^i ((q-1)x + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]}$$

$$\lambda_{n-1}(x) \Delta_{q:w} y(x) + s_{n-1}(x) y(x) = \frac{\Delta_{q:w}^{n+1} y(w_0)}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 + q^i ((q-1)x + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]}$$

$$\Delta_{q:w} y(x) = -\frac{s_{n-1}(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)} y(x) + \frac{\Delta_{q:w}^{n+1} y(w_0)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x) \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 + q^i ((q-1)x + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]}$$

This is a *non-homogeneous first order equation*.

We can solve this too!

## qw-AIM

### The first order non-homogeneous difference equation

We know the solution to the non-homogeneous case, thus

$$\Delta_{q:w}y(x) = -\frac{s_{n-1}(x)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x)}y(x) + \frac{\Delta_{q:w}^{n+1}y(w_0)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x) \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 + q^i((q-1)x + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]}$$

has solution

$$y(x) = \frac{y(w_0)}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 - q^i((q-1)x + w) \frac{s_{n-1}(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]} - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{q^i((q-1)x + w) \Delta_{q:w}^{n+1}y(w_0)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i) \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} [1 + q^i((q-1)x'_i + w) \frac{\lambda_n(x'_i)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_i)}]}}{\prod_{j=0}^i [1 - q^j((q-1)x + w) \frac{s_{n-1}(x'_j)}{\lambda_{n-1}(x'_j)}]}$$

which is the final solution.

# qw-AIM

What does this mean?

If we have a difference equation, we can check if it's qw-AIM sequence satisfies the terminating condition  $\delta_n = 0$ . If it does then we have the solution!

# qw-AIM

## Example 1

For  $q < 1$

$$\Delta_{q;w}^2 y(x) = x \Delta_{q;w} y(x) - y(x)$$

$$\lambda_0(x) = x$$

and

$$s_0(x) = -1.$$

So  $\lambda_1(x) = qx^2 + wx$  and  $s_1(x) = -(qx + w)$ . It follows that

$$\frac{s_0(x)}{\lambda_0(x)} = \frac{-1}{x} = \frac{-(qx + w)}{qx^2 + wx} = \frac{s_1(x)}{\lambda_1(x)}$$

# qw-AIM

## Example 1

Our solution is

$$\begin{aligned}y(x) &= \frac{1}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} \left[ 1 - q^i ((q-1)x + w) \frac{s_0(x_i)}{\lambda_0(x_i)} \right]} \\&= \frac{1}{\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} \left[ 1 - q^i ((q-1)x + w) \frac{-1}{x_i} \right]} \\&= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=0}^k \left[ 1 + \frac{q^i ((q-1)x + w)}{(q^i x + w [i]_q)} \right]} \\&= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{q^{1+k} + [k+1]_q w} \\&= \frac{(1-q)x}{w}.\end{aligned}$$

# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric Equation

$$(ex^2 + 2fx + g)\Delta_{q;w}^2 y(x) + (2\epsilon x + \gamma)\Delta_{q;w} y(x) + \tau y(x) = 0$$

# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric Equation

$$\Delta_{q;w}^2 y(x) = - \underbrace{\frac{2\epsilon x + \gamma}{ex^2 + 2fx + g}}_{\lambda_0(x)} \Delta_{q;w} y(x) - \underbrace{\frac{\tau}{ex^2 + 2fx + g}}_{s_0(x)} y(x)$$

# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric Equation

$$\delta_1 = s_1(x)\lambda_0(x) - \lambda_1(x)s_0(x) = \tau(2\epsilon + \tau) \text{ so } \delta_1 = 0 \text{ if } \tau = 0 \text{ or } \tau = -2\epsilon$$



# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric equation

After substitution and simplification, the solution is

$$y(x) = x + \frac{\gamma}{2\epsilon}$$

# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric equation

Going a step farther  $\delta_2 = \tau(2\epsilon + \tau)((1 + q)(e + 2\epsilon) + \tau)$   
so if  $\tau = -(1 + q)(e + 2\epsilon)$  we can get the solution

# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric equation

$$y(x) = x^2 + \frac{(2f+\gamma)(1+q)+2\epsilon w}{(1+q)e+2\epsilon q}x + \frac{2\epsilon gq+\gamma(2f_\gamma+2\epsilon w)+e((1+q)g+\gamma w)}{(e+2\epsilon)((1+q)e+2\epsilon q)}$$

# qw-AIM

## Hyper-geometric equation

And in general we can get a solution for each  $\tau$  as

$$\tau_n = - \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} q^j \right) \left( 2\epsilon + e \sum_{j=0}^{n-2} q^j \right)$$

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