

CM summary - chapter 2

Terminology

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| H_n | harmonic number $H_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$ $H_0 = 0$ |
| Δ | difference operator $\Delta f(x) = f(x+1) - f(x)$ |
| E | shift operator $E f(x) = f(x+1)$ |
| D | derivative operator |
| $\sum f(x)\delta x$ | indefinite sum |
| $\sum_a^b f(x)\delta x$ | definite sum |
| Σ | antidifference operator $\Delta f(n) = g(n) \iff \sum g(n)\delta n = f(n)$ $\Delta f(n) = g(n) \implies \sum_a^b g(n) = f(b) - f(a)$ $\Delta f(n) = g(n) \implies \sum_a^b g(x)\delta x = -\sum_b^a g(x)\delta x$ |

Finite calculus analogies with integral calculus

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Delta f(x) & \longleftrightarrow & \sum f(x)\delta x \\
 \updownarrow & & \updownarrow \\
 Df(x) & \longleftrightarrow & \int f(x)dx
 \end{array}$$

In the above $\delta x = 1$ ([reference](#))

Falling/Rising factorial identities

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^{-m} &= \frac{1}{(x+1)\dots(x+m)} && \text{for } m > 0 \\
 x^{\underline{m}} &= \frac{x!}{(x-n)!} = (x-n+1)(x-n+2)\dots(x-1)x && \text{for } m > 0 \\
 x^{+2} &= x(x-1) \\
 x^{+1} &= x \\
 x^{\underline{0}} &= 1 \\
 x^{-1} &= \frac{1}{x+1} \\
 x^{-2} &= \frac{1}{(x+1)(x+2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Summation by parts

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| Difference of a product | $\Delta(u \cdot v) = u\Delta v + E v \Delta u$ |
| Summation by parts | $\sum u \cdot \Delta v = uv - \sum E v \Delta u$ E is applied only to the term immediately after it |

Finite difference table

(table 55 in the book)

| $f(x)$ | $\Delta f(x)$ | note |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| $x^{\underline{m}}$ | $m \cdot x^{\underline{m-1}}$ | |
| H_x | $\frac{1}{x+1} = x^{-1}$ | |
| c^x | $(c-1)c^x$ | |
| $\frac{x^{\underline{m+1}}}{m+1}$ | $x^{\underline{m}}$ | $m \neq -1$ |
| $c \cdot u$ | $c \cdot \Delta u$ | |
| $u + v$ | $\Delta u + \Delta v$ | |
| $\frac{c^x}{c-1}$ | c^x | |
| 2^x | 2^x | |

Sum/Product properties

| sum property | product property |
|--|---|
| $\sum_{k \in K} c a_k = c \sum_{k \in K} a_k$ | $\prod_{k \in K} a_k^c = \left(\prod_{k \in K} a_k \right)^c$ |
| $\sum_{k \in K} a_k + b_k = \sum_{k \in K} a_k + \sum_{k \in K} b_k$ | $\prod_{k \in K} a_k b_k = \prod_{k \in K} a_k \cdot \prod_{k \in K} b_k$ |
| $\sum_{\substack{k \in K \\ j \in J}} a_{j,k} = \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{j \in J} a_{j,k}$ | $\prod_{\substack{k \in K \\ j \in J}} a_{j,k} = \prod_{k \in K} \prod_{j \in J} a_{j,k}$ |
| $\sum_{k \in K} a_k = \sum_{k \in K} a_{p(k)}$ | $\prod_{k \in K} a_k = \prod_{k \in K} a_{p(k)}$ |
| $\sum_{k \in K} a_k = \sum_k a_k \cdot [k \in K]$ | $\prod_{k \in K} a_k = \prod_k a_k^{[k \in K]}$ |
| $\sum_{k \in K} 1 = K $ | $\prod_{k \in K} c = c^{ K }$ |