

ON EULER METHODS OF SUMMABILITY FOR DOUBLE SERIES

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The two q th order Euler transforms of the sequence A_n

$$A_n^q = (q + 1)^{-n-1} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n+1}{k+1} q^{n-k} A_k$$

and

$$B_n^q = (q + 1)^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} q^{n-k} A_k$$

are equivalent for $q \geq 0$ in the sense that if either has a limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ the other has the same limit [1, p. 180].¹ For double sequences the corresponding transforms are

$$(1) \quad A_{mn}^q = (q + 1)^{-m-n-2} \sum_{h,k=0}^{m,n} \binom{m+1}{h+1} \binom{n+1}{k+1} q^{m+n-h-k} A_{hk},$$

$$(2) \quad B_{mn}^q = (q + 1)^{-m-n} \sum_{h,k=0}^{m,n} \binom{m}{h} \binom{n}{k} q^{m+n-h-k} A_{hk}.$$

This paper is concerned with two theorems regarding these transforms. Throughout the discussion $q \geq 0$.

THEOREM 1. *If A_{mn}^q has a limit as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$, then B_{mn}^q has that same limit and if B_{mn}^q has a limit and is bounded, then A_{mn}^q has that same limit but there do exist sequences for which B_{mn}^q has a limit but for which $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} A_{mn}^q$ does not exist for any $q \geq 0$.*

The relation

$$(3) \quad B_{mn}^q = q^2 A_{m-1,n-1}^q - q(q+1)(A_{m,n-1}^q + A_{m-1,n}^q) + (q+1)^2 A_{mn}^q$$

may be verified by substitution from (1) into the right-hand side. This relation may be written in the form

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} B_{mn}^q &= q^2 (A_{m-1,n-1}^q - A_{m,n-1}^q - A_{m-1,n}^q + A_{mn}^q) \\ &\quad - q(A_{m,n-1}^q + A_{m-1,n}^q - 2A_{mn}^q) + A_{mn}^q. \end{aligned}$$

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¹ Numbers in brackets refer to the references at the end of the paper.

From this relation (4) it follows that if $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} A_{mn}^q = A$, then $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} B_{mn}^q = A$.

Relation (3) can be used to express A_{mn}^q in terms of B_{mn}^q . First write (3) in the form

$$(q + 1)^2 A_{mn}^q = B_{mn}^q + q(q + 1)(A_{m,n-1}^q + A_{m-1,n}^q) - q^2 A_{m-1,n-1}^q.$$

In this replace $A_{m,n-1}^q$ and $A_{m-1,n}^q$, by the values which this relation gives for them. This yields

$$\begin{aligned} (q + 1)^2 A_{mn}^q &= B_{mn}^q + q(q + 1)^{-1}(B_{m,n-1}^q + B_{m-1,n}^q) \\ &\quad + q^2(A_{m,n-2}^q + A_{m-1,n-1}^q + A_{m-2,n}^q) \\ &\quad - q^3(q + 1)^{-1}(A_{m-1,n-2}^q + A_{m-2,n-1}^q). \end{aligned}$$

Successive repetitions of this procedure lead finally to the relation

$$(5) \quad (q + 1)^2 A_{mn}^q = \sum_{h,k=0}^{m,n} \left(\frac{q}{q + 1}\right)^{m+n-h-k} B_{hk}^q.$$

Relation (5) expresses A_{mn}^q as a transform of the sequence B_{mn}^q . The coefficients of the transformation satisfy the conditions for regularity [3, p. 23]. Hence if B_{mn}^q has the limit A and is bounded, then A_{mn}^q also has the limit A .

To see that there exist sequences for which the transform B_{mn}^q has a limit but for which $\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} A_{mn}^q$ does not exist for any $q \geq 0$ consider the sequence $A_{mn} = (-1)^n p^{2m+n-1} \{n(p+1) + p\}$, $p > 1$. For this sequence one may readily verify by substitution into (2) that $B_{mn}^p = 0$ whenever $n > 1$. Thus for this sequence the transform B_{mn}^p has the limit 0. But by substituting into (1) and simplifying one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} A_{mn}^q &= \left\{ \left(\frac{q + p^2}{q + 1}\right)^{m+1} - \left(\frac{q}{q + 1}\right)^{m+1} \right\} \\ &\quad \cdot \left(\frac{n + 1}{q + 1}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{p + 1}{p^3}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{q - p}{q + 1}\right)^n \\ &\quad + p^{-2} \left\{ \left(\frac{q + p^2}{q + 1}\right)^{m+1} - \left(\frac{q}{q + 1}\right)^{m+1} \right\} \\ &\quad \left\{ \left(\frac{q - p}{q + 1}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{q}{q + 1}\right)^{n+1} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and for $p > 1$ this does not have a limit for any $q \geq 0$. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

THEOREM 2. Let $A_{mn} = \sum_{h,k=0}^{m,n} a_{hk}$. If

$$(1) B_{mn}^1 = 2^{-m-n} \sum_{h,k=0}^{m,n} \binom{m}{h} \binom{n}{k} A_{hk}$$

has the limit A as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$, (2) A_{mn} is bounded and

$$(3) \lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} (m^{1/2} + n^{1/2})(mn)^{1/2} a_{mn} = 0,$$

then A_{mn} also has the limit A as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$.

Form the difference

$$B_{4m,4n}^1 - A_{2m,2n} = 2^{-4m-4n} \sum_{h,k=0}^{4m,4n} \binom{4m}{h} \binom{4n}{k} (A_{hk} - A_{2m,2n}).$$

Separate this difference into 9 parts S_1, S_2, \dots, S_9 corresponding respectively to the intervals of summation

$$\begin{matrix} (0 \leq h \leq m), & (0 \leq h \leq m), & (0 \leq h \leq m), \\ (0 \leq k \leq n), & (n < k < 3n), & (3n \leq k \leq 4n), \\ (m < h < 3m), & (m < h < 3m), & (m < h < 3m), \\ (0 \leq k \leq n), & (n < k < 3n), & (3n \leq k \leq 4n), \\ (3m \leq h \leq 4m), & (3m \leq h \leq 4m), & (3m \leq h \leq 4m), \\ (0 \leq k \leq n), & (n < k < 3n), & (3n \leq k \leq 4n). \end{matrix}$$

Since

$$2^{-4m} \sum_{h=0}^{4m} \binom{4m}{h} = 1,$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-4m} \sum_{h=0}^m \binom{4m}{h} = 0 \text{ [2, p. 511]}, \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-4m} \sum_{h=3m}^{4m} \binom{4m}{h} = 0,$$

and A_{mn} is bounded it follows that each of the parts $S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4, S_6, S_7, S_8, S_9$ has the limit zero as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus if S_5 has the limit zero it will follow that the difference $B_{4m,4n}^1 - A_{2m,2n}$ has the limit zero.

Let $Q_{m,n}$ denote the largest of the numbers $((m+h)^{1/2} + (n+k)^{1/2}) \cdot ((m+h)(n+k))^{1/2} \cdot |a_{m+h,n+k}|$ for $m < h < 3m$ and $n < k < 3n$. Then for all h, k in these intervals

$$\begin{aligned} & |A_{hk} - A_{2m,2n}| \\ & \leq (|2m - h| \cdot 3n + |2n - k| \cdot 2m) \frac{Q_{m,n}}{(m^{1/2} + n^{1/2})(mn)^{1/2}} \end{aligned}$$

if $mn \neq 0$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |S_5| &\leq 2^{-4m-4n} \sum_{h,k=m+1,n+1}^{3m-1,3n-1} \binom{4m}{h} \binom{4n}{k} (|2m-h| \cdot 3n \\ &\quad + |2n-k| \cdot 2m) \frac{Q_{mn}}{(m^{1/2} + n^{1/2}) \cdot (mn)^{1/2}} \\ &\leq \left\{ 3n \cdot 2^{-4m} \sum_{h=m+1}^{3m-1} |2m-h| \cdot \binom{4m}{h} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2m \cdot 2^{-4n} \sum_{k=n+1}^{3n-1} |2n-k| \cdot \binom{4n}{k} \right\} \frac{Q_{mn}}{(m^{1/2} + n^{1/2}) \cdot (mn)^{1/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\sum_{h=m+1}^{3m-1} |2m-h| \cdot \binom{4m}{h} < 2 \sum_{h=0}^{2m} (2m-h) \binom{4m}{h}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{h=0}^{2m} (2m-h) \binom{4m}{h} \\ &= 2m \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{h=0}^{4m} \binom{4m}{h} + \frac{1}{2} \binom{4m}{2m} \right\} - 4m \sum_{h=1}^{2m} \binom{4m-1}{h-1} \\ &= m \left\{ 2^{4m} + \binom{4m}{2m} - 4 \sum_{h=0}^{2m-1} \binom{4m-1}{h} \right\} = m \binom{4m}{2m}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|S_5| < \left\{ 6mn \cdot 2^{-4m} \binom{4m}{2m} + 4mn \cdot 2^{-4n} \binom{4n}{2n} \right\} \frac{Q_{mn}}{(m^{1/2} + n^{1/2}) \cdot (mn)^{1/2}}.$$

Since

$$2^{-2n} \binom{2n}{n} \cong (\pi n)^{-1/2}$$

[2, p. 385] it then follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |S_5| &< \left\{ 6mn(2\pi m)^{-1/2}(1 + e_m) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 4mn(2\pi n)^{-1/2}(1 + e_n) \right\} \frac{Q_{mn}}{(m^{1/2} + n^{1/2}) \cdot (mn)^{1/2}} \end{aligned}$$

where $e_m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and $e_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus

$$|S_5| < \left\{ \frac{6n^{1/2}(1 + e_m) + 4m^{1/2}(1 + e_n)}{m^{1/2} + n^{1/2}} \right\} \cdot Q_{mn}.$$

Since the quantity in braces is bounded and $Q_{mn} \rightarrow 0$ it then follows that $S_5 \rightarrow 0$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence the difference $B_{4m,4n}^1 - A_{2m,2n}$ has the limit zero. With only slight modifications of this argument it can be shown that $B_{4m,4n}^1 - A_{2m+1,2n}$, $B_{4m,4n}^1 - A_{2m,2n+1}$, and $B_{4m,4n}^1 - A_{2m+1,2n+1}$ have the limit zero. The proof of the theorem is then complete.

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