

500. ON COEFFICIENTS FOR NUMERICAL DIFFERENTIATION AND INTEGRATION*

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The literature surces containing the tables of coefficients $a_{n,k}$ of formulas for numerical differentiation and integration of

$$\left(h \frac{d}{dx}\right)^n f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_{n,k} \Delta^{n+k-1} f(x),$$

$$\frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_{-1,k} \Delta^{k-1} f(x)$$

are briefly surveyed. The difference equation

$$(n+k-1) a_{n,k} = (2-n-k) a_{n,k-1} + n a_{n-1,k}$$

is solved. The formula

$$a_{n,k} = 0 \quad (k < 1), \quad a_{n,1} = 1, \quad \sum_{m=1}^k (-1)^m \frac{kn - mn - m + 1}{k - m + 1} a_{n,m} = 0 \quad (k > 1)$$

is derived and $a_{n,k}$ for $k \leq 7$ is calculated. The computer program for calculating $a_{n,k}$ is developed. An example of its application to regression is proposed.

A. ANDOYER [1] has calculated $a_{n,k}$ for $n = -2(1)7$, $k = 1(1)8 - n$; T. N. THIELE [2] for $n = -5(1)5$, $k = 1(1)8$; W. F. SHEPPARD [3] for $n = 1(1)8$, $k = 1(1)9 - n$; K. PEARSON and M. V. PEARSON [4] for $n = 2$, $k = 1(1)13$; W. G. BICKLEY and J. C. P. MILLER [5] for $n = 1(1)12$, $k = 1(1)13 - n$; A. N. LOWAN, H. E. SALZER and A. HILLMAN [6] for $n = 1(1)20$, $k = 1(1)21 - n$. See also [7, pp. 105–108].

The most complete table of coefficients for numerical differentiation was given by D. S. MITRINOVIĆ, R. S. MITRINOVIĆ and S. S. TURAJLIĆ [8]. Coefficients $A_{r,m}$, defined by

$$\prod_{j=1}^m (x+m-j) = \sum_{r=1}^m \frac{m!}{r!} A_{r,m} x^r,$$

were calculated for $m \leq 30$ by means of the formula $A_{r,m} = \frac{r!}{m!} S_m^r$ and by

the tables of STIRLING's numbers of the first order S_m^r which were formerly published by D. S. MITRINOVIĆ and R. S. MITRINOVIĆ. Using the previous notation, we can say that the paper [8] contains coefficients $a_{n,k}$ for $n = 1(1)29$, $k = 2(1)31 - n$. In [8] we also find $A_{m,m} = 1$, i. e., $a_{n,1} = 1$.

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If GREGORY interpolation formula

$$f(x + hs) = \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} \binom{s}{m} \Delta^m f(x)$$

(see for example [9, p. 56]) is differentiated n times with respect to s and provided that $s \rightarrow 0$, we get

$$a_{n,k} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{d}{ds} \right)^n \binom{s}{n+k-1} \quad (n \geq 0, k > 0),$$

[compare 10, p. 98].

The recurrent formula

$$\frac{d^m}{dp^m} ({}_p C_{r+1}) \Big|_{p=0} = \left[-r \frac{d^m}{dp^m} ({}_p C_r) \Big|_{p=0} + m \frac{d^{m-1}}{dp^{m-1}} ({}_p C_r) \Big|_{p=0} \right] / (r+1),$$

[see 11, p. 74], is equivalent with

$$mA_{r,m} = (m-1)A_{r,m-1} + rA_{r-1,m-1},$$

[see 8, p. 115], as well as with

$$(1) \quad (n+k-1)a_{n,k} = (2-n-k)a_{n,k-1} + na_{n-1,k}$$

because

$$a_{n,k} = (-1)^{k+1} A_{n,n+k-1}, \quad A_{n,n} = (-1)^{m-n} a_{n,m-n+1}$$

are valid.

Solving the equation (1) leads to the following result:

Equation (1) can be solved to within a single multiplicative constant. For $n+k=1$ it follows from (1) $a_{n,-n} = n a_{n-1,1-n}$, wherefrom $a_{-n,n} = a_{-1,1} / \Gamma(n)$ ($n > 0$), and

$$(2) \quad a_{n,-n} = 0 \quad (n \geq 0).$$

For $n+k=2$, from (1) it follows that: $a_{n,2-n} = n a_{n-1,2-n}$.

For $n=0$, from (1) it follows that $(k-1)a_{0,k} = (2-k)a_{0,k-1}$, wherefrom

$$(3) \quad a_{0,k} = 0 \quad (k \neq 1).$$

From (1), (2), (3) are also have $a_{n,k} = 0$ ($0 \leq n \leq -k$) while the other coefficients cannot be obtained from (1).

The following complete set of implications expresses the possibility of calculating the values of coefficients $a_{n,k}$, only by means of formula (1):

$$\begin{aligned} a_{0,1} &\Rightarrow a_{1,k} \quad (k > 0), \\ a_{n,1} \quad (0 < n \leq N) &\Rightarrow a_{n,k} \quad (0 < n < N, k \geq 1-n), \\ a_{n,1} \quad (0 < n \leq N) &\Rightarrow a_{N,k} \quad (k > 1-N), \\ a_{-1,k} \quad (2 \leq k < K) &\Rightarrow a_{n,k} \quad (-k < n < 0, 2 < k \leq K), \\ a_{n,1} \quad (-N \leq n \leq -1) &\Rightarrow a_{n,k} \quad (-1 \leq n \leq -N, n-N < k \leq n), \\ a_{n,-n} \quad (1 < n \leq N) &\Rightarrow a_{n,k} \quad (k \leq -n). \end{aligned}$$

Other complete sets of implications are also possible. However, if all values of $a_{n,k}$ were known, except $a_{-1,2}$ the value of the last item could be obtained only from (1):

$$a_{n,k} ((n+1)^2 + (k-2)^2 \neq 0) \not\Rightarrow a_{-1,2}.$$

From (1) the following implication ensues:

$$(4) \quad a_{n,1} = 1 \Rightarrow a_{n,k} = 0 \quad (k < 1).$$

On the basis of the definition of the generalized BERNOULLI's numbers

$$\left(\frac{1}{t} \log(1+t)\right)^n = \sum_{p=0}^{+\infty} \frac{n}{n+p} B_p^{(n+p)} \frac{t^p}{p!},$$

[see for example 7, p. 69], and using the definition of the coefficients $a_{n,k}$

$$(\log(1+\Delta))^n f(x) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_{n,k} \Delta^{n+k-1}\right) f(x)$$

we get

$$a_{n,k} = \frac{n}{(k-1)!(n+k-1)} B_{k-1}^{(n+k-1)}, \text{ i.e., } B_p^{(m)} = \frac{p! m}{m-p} a_{m-p,p-1}.$$

In [7, p. 103] we find $B_p^{(m)}$ for $p=0(1)3$.

N. E. NÖRLUND [12, p. 459] has calculated $B_p^{(m)}$ for $p=0(1)12$.

L. G. KELLY [13, p. 51] quotes the results equivalent to $a_{1,k}$ and $a_{n,k}$ ($k=1, 2, 3$).

F. B. HILDEBRAND [14, p. 182] gives the results equivalent to $a_{1,k}$ and $a_{n,k}$ ($k=1, 2, 3, 4$).

Three centuries ago J. GREGORY had given the formula

$$\frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+nh} f(t) dt = \sum_{m=0}^n f(m) - \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} C_{k+2} (\Delta^k f(0) + (-1)^k \Delta^k f(n-k))$$

equivalent to EULER—MACLAURIN formula

$$\frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+nh} f(t) dt = \sum_{m=0}^n f(m) - \frac{f(0)+f(n)}{2} - \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{h^{2k-1} B_{2k}}{(2k)!} (f^{(2k-1)}(n) - f^{(2k-1)}(0)),$$

[see for example 9, p. 129]. Coefficients $C_k (= a_{-1,k})$ were calculated by T. CLAUSEN for $k=2(1)13$; K. PEARSON for $k=1(1)14$; R. A. FISHER and F. YATES for $k=1(1)17$; A. N. LOWAN and H. SALZER for $k=1(1)20$. [See 7, p. 108].

G. BOOLE [15, p. 61] quoted the results equivalent to

$$a_{-1,k} = \int_0^1 \binom{s}{k-1} ds \quad (k > 0).$$

L. G. KELLY [13, p. 57] quoted the result:

$$C_1 = 1, \quad C_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad C_{k+1} = \frac{C_k}{2} - \frac{C_{k-1}}{3} + \frac{C_{k-2}}{4} - \dots + (-1)^{k+1} \frac{C_1}{k+1},$$

equivalent to recurrent formula

$$(5) \quad a_{-1,1} = 1, \quad \sum_{m=1}^k \frac{(-1)^m}{k-m+1} a_{-1,m} = 0 \quad (k > 1).$$

We shall give the generalization of the recurrent formula (5) for arbitrarily fixed n . Starting from the known formula

$$\left(\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} E_n z^n \right)^p = \sum_{m=0}^{+\infty} D_m z^m \Rightarrow$$

$$D_0 = E_0^p, \quad D_m = \frac{1}{mE_0} \sum_{k=1}^m (kp + k - m) E_k D_{m-k} \quad (m \geq 1),$$

[see for example 16, p. 28], and

$$\left(h \frac{d}{dx} \right) f(x) = (\log(1 + \Delta)) f(x)$$

[see for example 12, p. 25], for coefficients $a_{n,k}$ of the development

$$h \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^n f(x) = \left(\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} a_{n,k} \Delta^{n-1+k} \right) f(x)$$

the following result is obtained

$$(6) \quad a_{n,k} = 0 \quad (k < 1), \quad a_{n,1} = 1, \quad \sum_{m=1}^k (-1)^m \frac{kn - mn - m + 1}{k - m + 1} a_{n,m} = 0 \quad (k > 1).$$

(5) follows from (6) for $n = -1$.

From (5) it follows that $a_{n,k} (k > 0)$ is a polynomial with respect to n

$$a_{n,1} = 1, \quad a_{n,2} = -\frac{1}{2}n, \quad a_{n,3} = \frac{1}{24}(3n^2 + 5n),$$

$$a_{n,4} = -\frac{1}{48}(n^3 + 5n^2 + 6n), \quad a_{n,5} = \frac{1}{5760}(15n^4 + 150n^3 + 485n^2 + 502n),$$

$$a_{n,6} = -\frac{1}{11520}(3n^5 + 50n^4 + 305n^3 + 802n^2 + 760n),$$

$$a_{n,7} = \frac{1}{2903040}(63n^6 + 1575n^5 + 15435n^4 + 73801n^3 + 171150n^2 + 152696n),$$

and a transcendent function with respect to k

$$(7) \quad a_{n,k} = \sum_{m=0}^{k-1} \frac{P_m(k)}{\Gamma(k-m)} \left(\frac{n}{2} \right)^{k-1-m},$$

where $P_m(k)$ is a polynomial with respect to k of order m

$$P_0(k) = 1, \quad P_1(k) = \frac{5}{12}(k-2), \quad P_2(k) = \frac{1}{288}(k-3)(25k-28),$$

$$P_3(k) = \frac{1}{51840}(k-4)(625k^2 - 1475k + 786), \dots$$

while $s \mapsto \Gamma(s)$ EULER gamma function. Observe that

$$P_{k-1}(k) = 0 \quad (k > 1).$$

Formula (6) is suitable for computer calculations, because the implication

$$a_{n,1} = 1 \Rightarrow a_{n,k} \quad (k > 1).$$

follows from it.

Fig. 1 represents the DIFF program, based on (6), generalizing

$$A(K) = a_{N,K} \quad (K = 1(1)L).$$

The DIFF program verifies the accuracy of the table in [8].

<pre> SUBROUTINE DIFF(N,L,A) DIMENSION A(1) A(1)=1. DO 2 K=2,L B=0. I=K*N+1 JJ=K-1 DO 1 J=1,JJ I=I-N+1 C=K-J+1 1 B=I*A(J)/C+B 2 A(K)=B/JJ DO 3 K=2,L,2 3 A(K)=-A(K) RETURN END </pre>	<table border="0"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><i>n</i></th> <th colspan="3" style="text-align: center;"><i>c_n</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>-1</td><td>1.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>00000 000</td></tr> <tr><td>0</td><td>0.57721</td><td>56649</td><td>01532 861</td></tr> <tr><td>1</td><td>0.07281</td><td>58454</td><td>83676 725</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>-0.00484</td><td>51815</td><td>96436 159</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>-0.00034</td><td>23057</td><td>36717 224</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>0.00009</td><td>68904</td><td>19394 471</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>-0.00000</td><td>66110</td><td>31810 842</td></tr> <tr><td>6</td><td>-0.00000</td><td>03316</td><td>24090 875</td></tr> <tr><td>7</td><td>0.00000</td><td>01046</td><td>20945 845</td></tr> <tr><td>8</td><td>-0.00000</td><td>00087</td><td>33218 100</td></tr> <tr><td>9</td><td>0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>94782 778</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>56584 219</td></tr> <tr><td>11</td><td>-0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>06768 690</td></tr> <tr><td>12</td><td>0 00000</td><td>00000</td><td>00349 212</td></tr> <tr><td>13</td><td>0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>00004 410</td></tr> <tr><td>14</td><td>-0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>00002 400</td></tr> <tr><td>15</td><td>0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>00000 217</td></tr> <tr><td>16</td><td>-0.00000</td><td>00000</td><td>00000 010</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>n</i>	<i>c_n</i>			-1	1.00000	00000	00000 000	0	0.57721	56649	01532 861	1	0.07281	58454	83676 725	2	-0.00484	51815	96436 159	3	-0.00034	23057	36717 224	4	0.00009	68904	19394 471	5	-0.00000	66110	31810 842	6	-0.00000	03316	24090 875	7	0.00000	01046	20945 845	8	-0.00000	00087	33218 100	9	0.00000	00000	94782 778	10	0.00000	00000	56584 219	11	-0.00000	00000	06768 690	12	0 00000	00000	00349 212	13	0.00000	00000	00004 410	14	-0.00000	00000	00002 400	15	0.00000	00000	00000 217	16	-0.00000	00000	00000 010
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EXAMPLE. From D. S. MITRINOVIĆ's correspondence, I am familiar with RIEMANN's zeta function

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} \quad (\operatorname{Re} s > 1)$$

for $s = 1.01(0.01)21.31$ with thirty decimals, calculated by R. E. SHAFER [17]. Using the values $\zeta(s)$ from these tables, the values of the function

$$g(s) = \zeta(s) - \frac{1}{s-1} \quad (s \neq 1)$$

can easily be calculated. Function $s \mapsto g(s)$ is analytical and has only an apparent singularity for $s = 1$ in the finite complex plane. That is why we should adopt:

$$g(1) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1} g(s) = C,$$

where $C = 0.5772156649 \dots$ is EULER's constant, [compare 20, p. 1088].

Forming the differences $\Delta^k g(s)$ ($k = 1(1)13$), by the application of the quoted program, the tables of coefficients c_n of LAURENT's series of RIEMANN's zeta function

$$(8) \quad \zeta(s) = \sum_{n=-1}^{+\infty} c_n (s-1)^n$$

is obtained.

According to J. P. GRAM [18, p. 317], the table of coefficients c_n with 9 decimals was calculated by J. L. W. V. JENSEN [19] and with 16 decimals by J. P. GRAM [20]. Coefficients c_n may also be obtained by means of

$$c_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \frac{(\log k)^n}{k} - \frac{(\log m)^{n+1}}{n+1} \right).$$

[compare 21, p. 807]. By Table 1 it is possible to calculate the value $\zeta(s)$ with over 15 decimals on the disc $|s-1| \leq 1$. For $\operatorname{Re} s \leq 1$ the value of the analytically extended function $\zeta(s)$ is obtained, by means of formula

$$\zeta(s) = -\Gamma(1-s) + \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^s} - \frac{\Gamma(n+1-s)}{\Gamma(n+1)} \right) \quad (\operatorname{Re} s > 0),$$

[see 22, p. 56]. The paper by J. P. GRAM [18] contains the table of the function $\zeta(s)$ for $s = -24(0.1)24$ with ten decimals. The values of this table for $s = -1.5(0.1)3.5$ are verified up to the row (8).

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