

On Euler's Summability

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Knopp has proved the following theorems on introducing Euler's summability. In this paper I will briefly prove them by using Anonholdclebsch notation.

Let p be 0 or a positive integer, put $w = E(z) = \frac{z}{q+1-qz} (q = 2^p - 1)$, and then in the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$, put $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n w^{n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n^{(p)} z^{n+1}$ formally. Then we get the following theorems.

Theorem I.

$$a_n^{(p)} = \frac{1}{(q+1)^{n+1}} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} a_\nu \quad (1)$$

$$a_n^{(p+p')} = \frac{1}{(q+1)^{n+1}} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} a_\nu^{(p')} \quad (2)$$

where p' is 0 or a positive integer.

Theorem II.

$$\frac{a_n}{q+1} = \sum (-1)^\nu \binom{n}{\nu} (q+1)^{n-\nu} a_{n-\nu}^{(p)} q^\nu$$

Theorem III.

$$a_0^{(p)} + a_1^{(p)} + \dots + a_{n-1}^{(p)} = \frac{1}{(q+1)^n} \sum \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} S_\nu$$

where $S_0 = 0$, $S_\nu = a_0 + a_1 + \dots + a_{\nu-1}$

Theorem III will be shown as below,

$$\sum a_n w^{n+1} = \sum a_n^{(p)} z^{n+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-z} = \frac{1+qw}{1-w}$$

therefore

$$(1+qw) \frac{\sum a_n w^{n+1}}{1-w} = \frac{\sum a_n^{(p)} z^{n+1}}{1-z}$$

$$\therefore (1+qw) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n w^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n^{(p)} z^n \quad (1)$$

where

$$a_0^{(p)} + a_1^{(p)} + \dots + a_{n-1}^{(p)} = s_n^{(p)}$$

From (1), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_{n+1} w^{n+1} + q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n w^{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n^{(p)} z^n \quad (2)$$

If we substitute $w = E(z)$ in the left hand side of (2), and calculate the coefficients of z^n by using Theorem I, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(q+1)^n} \left\{ \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{\nu} q^{n-1-\nu} s_{\nu+1} + q \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{\nu} q^{n-1-\nu} s_{\nu} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{(q+1)^n} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} s_{\nu} \end{aligned}$$

In this paper I will prove the above theorems by using Anonhold-clebsch notation.

Proof of theorem (I)

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n w^{n+1} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n w^{n+1} = \frac{w}{1-aw} \frac{w}{1-a} = \frac{1}{\frac{q+1}{z} - q - a} \\ &= \frac{1}{(q+1) - (q+a)z} = \frac{z}{q+1} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{q+a}{q+1}z} \\ &= \sum \frac{z}{q+1} \left(\frac{q+a}{q+1} \right)^n z^n \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_n^{(p)} &= \frac{(q+a)^n}{(q+1)^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{(q+1)^{n+1}} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} a_{\nu} = \frac{1}{q+1} \left(\frac{q+a}{q+1} \right)^n \\ (2) \quad & \frac{1}{(q+1)^{n+1}} \sum_{\nu=0}^n \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} a_{\nu} (p') \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{q+1} \left(\frac{q+a(p')}{q+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{(q+1)(q'+1)} \frac{\left(q + \frac{q'+a}{q'+1} \right)^n}{(q+1)^n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{q'+1} \left(\frac{q'+a}{q'+1} \right)^n = a_n^{(\rho+\rho')}$$

where $q' = 2\rho' - 1$, $q'' = 2^{\rho+\rho'} - 1$

Proof of theorem II.

Theorem II will be rewritten as follows,

$$\frac{a_n}{q+1} = \left\{ (q+1)a^{(\rho)} - q \right\}^n$$

By theorem I,

$$\frac{a_n}{q+1} = \left\{ (q+1) \frac{q+a}{q+1} - q \right\}^n = \frac{a^n}{q+1} = \frac{a_n}{q+1}$$

Proof of theorem III.

$$S_n^{(\rho)} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a^{(\rho)i} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(q+a)^i}{(q+1)^{i+1}} = \frac{1}{q+1} \frac{1 - (q+a/q+1)^n}{1 - \frac{q+a}{q+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(q+1)^n} \frac{(q+1)^n - (q+a)^n}{1-a} = \frac{1}{(q+1)^n} \sum \binom{n}{\nu} \frac{q^{n-\nu}(1-a)^\nu}{1-a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(q+1)^n} \sum \binom{n}{\nu} q^{n-\nu} (a_0 + a_1 + \dots + a^{\nu-1})$$

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