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Generalized Hypergeometric Functions

The generalized Hypergeometric function is defined as

$${}_pF_q(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p; b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q; z)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_n (a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_1)_n (b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \cdot \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\prod_{s=1}^p (a_s)_n}{\prod_{s=1}^q (b_s)_n} \right) \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

In which no denominator parameter b_s is zero or a negative integer. If any a_p is zero or negative integer then the series terminates.

p = Number of factors in Numerator
 q = Number of factors in Denominator

Properties: (a) If $p \leq q$, the series converges for all finite z .

If a 's and b 's are equal and z is finite then this is cgt. If a 's $<$ b 's and z is finite then it is convergent.

(b) If $p = q+1$ the series converges for $|z| < 1$ and diverges for $|z| > 1$

If $p = q+1$ i.e. If $p=4, q=3$
 Denominator term is one less than numerator and $|z| < 1$ then it is cgt. and if $|z| > 1$ then it diverges

(c) If $p > q+1$ the series diverges for $z \neq 0$

If $p=5$, then $q=3$ at least 2 less than p then for $z \neq 0$ the series always diverges.

* If the series terminates there is no question of convergence and the conclusion (b) & (c) do not apply.

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* If it does not terminate then it is dgt.

* A finite series is always convergent

If $p = \alpha + 1$, then the series in (2) is absolutely convergent on the circle $|z| = 1$ if

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\sum_{s=1}^{\infty} b_s - \sum_{s=1}^p a_s\right) > 0$$

* If both p & α or any one of them is zero then we use the — dash notation for the absence of parameter

eg of $F_1(-; b; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{(b)_n n!}$

or $F_1(-; -; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$

The Exponential and Binomial Functions:

$F_1(-; -; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} = e^z$ if $p \in \mathbb{N}$ both are zero

If we use one numerator parameter and no denominator parameter then

$$F_1(a; -; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n z^n}{n!} = (1-z)^{-a}$$

A Differential Equation: Previously ordinary by Riemann.

function $F(a, b, c, z)$ satisfies DE

$z(1-z) \frac{dw}{dz} + [c - (a+b+1)z] w - abw = 0$ or in terms of diff. operator $\frac{d}{dz} \left(z \frac{dw}{dz} \right)$, DE is

$$[z(z+c-1) - z(z+a)(z+b)] w = 0$$

Now we will derive DE using generalized Hypergeometric function

$$w = {}_pF_q = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_n (a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_1)_n (b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{dw}{dz} = z \frac{dw}{dz} = z K K^{n-1}, \quad K z^n$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 0 \prod_{j=1}^q (0 + b_j - 1) \omega &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \prod_{j=1}^q \frac{(k + b_j - 1)}{\prod_{j=1}^q (b_j)_k} \prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_k \cdot \frac{z^k}{k!} \\
 &= \sum_{k=p}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(k-1)!} \frac{(k + b_1 - 1)(k + b_2 - 1) \dots (k + b_q - 1)}{(b_1)_k (b_2)_k \dots (b_q)_k} \prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_k \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(k-1)!} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_k (k + b_1 - 1)(k + b_2 - 1) \dots (k + b_q - 1)}{[b_1(b_1+1) \dots (b_1+k-1)] [b_2(b_2+1) \dots (b_2+k-1)] \dots [b_q(b_q+1) \dots (b_q+k-1)]} \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(k-1)!} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_k}{[b_1(b_1+1) \dots (b_1+k-1)] [b_2(b_2+1) \dots (b_2+k-1)] \dots [b_q(b_q+1) \dots (b_q+k-1)]} \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(k-1)!} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_k}{(b_1)_{k-1} (b_2)_{k-1} \dots (b_q)_{k-1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Replace k by k+1.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{k+1}}{k!} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_{k+1}}{\prod_{j=1}^q (b_j)_k} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)(a_i+1) \dots (a_i + (k+1) - 1)}{\prod_{j=1}^q (b_j)_k} \cdot \frac{z^{k+1}}{k!} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p (a_i + k) \prod_{i=1}^p (a_i)_k}{\prod_{j=1}^q (b_j)_k} \cdot \frac{z^{k+1}}{k!} \\
 &= z \prod_{i=1}^p (a_i + 1) \omega
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \prod_{j=1}^q (0 + b_j - 1) \omega = z \prod_{i=1}^p (a_i + 1) \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(0 \prod_{j=1}^q (0 + b_j - 1) - z \prod_{i=1}^p (a_i + 1) \right) \omega = 0$$

where no b_j is a non-positive integer

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A Simple Integral:

Theorem: If $p \leq q+1$ and $\operatorname{Re}(b_1) > \operatorname{Re}(a_1) > 0$, there is no one $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q$ is zero or non-negative integer, $|z| < 1$, then

$${}_pF_q \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z \right] = \frac{\Gamma(b_1)}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(b_1-a_1)} \int_0^1 t^{a_1-1} (1-t)^{b_1-a_1-1} {}_{p-1}F_{q-1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_2, a_3, \dots, a_p \\ b_2, b_3, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; zt \right] dt$$

Proof: Consider:

$${}_pF_q \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_n (a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_1)_n (b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(a_1+n)}{\Gamma(a_1)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(b_1)}{\Gamma(b_1+n)} \frac{(a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(b_1)}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(b_1-a_1)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(a_1+n) \Gamma(b_1-a_1)}{\Gamma(b_1+n)} \cdot \frac{(a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(b_1)}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(b_1-a_1)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\int_0^1 t^{a_1+n-1} (1-t)^{b_1-a_1-1} dt \right] \frac{(a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

Since the series (1) is uniformly convergent, therefore.

$${}_pF_q \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; z \right] = \frac{\Gamma(b_1)}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(b_1-a_1)} \int_0^1 t^{a_1-1} (1-t)^{b_1-a_1-1} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{(zt)^n}{n!} \right) dt$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(b_1)}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(b_1-a_1)} \int_0^1 t^{a_1-1} (1-t)^{b_1-a_1-1} {}_{p-1}F_{q-1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_2, a_3, \dots, a_p \\ b_2, b_3, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} ; zt \right] dt$$

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Theorem: If $\operatorname{Re}(c) > \operatorname{Re}(b) > 0$, $|z| < 1$, then.

$${}_mF_n \left[\begin{matrix} a, \frac{b}{m}, \frac{b+1}{m}, \dots, \frac{b+m-1}{m}; \\ \frac{c}{m}, \frac{c+1}{m}, \dots, \frac{c+m-1}{m}; \end{matrix} z \right]$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} dt$$

Proof: ${}_mF_n \left[\begin{matrix} a, \frac{b}{m}, \frac{b+1}{m}, \dots, \frac{b+m-1}{m}; \\ \frac{c}{m}, \frac{c+1}{m}, \dots, \frac{c+m-1}{m}; \end{matrix} z \right]$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n \left(\frac{b}{m}\right)_n \left(\frac{b+1}{m}\right)_n \dots \left(\frac{b+m-1}{m}\right)_n}{\left(\frac{c}{m}\right)_n \left(\frac{c+1}{m}\right)_n \dots \left(\frac{c+m-1}{m}\right)_n} \cdot \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_{mn}}{(c)_{mn}} \cdot \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (b)_{mn} = m^{mn} \left(\frac{b}{m}\right)_n \left(\frac{b+1}{m}\right)_n \dots \left(\frac{b+m-1}{m}\right)_n$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(b+mn)}{\Gamma(c+mn)} \cdot \frac{(a)_n z^n}{n!} \quad \text{since } (b)_{mn} = \frac{\Gamma(b+mn)}{\Gamma(b)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(b+mn)\Gamma(c-b)}{\Gamma(c+mn)} (a)_n \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\int_0^1 t^{b+mn-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} dt \right] \frac{(a)_n z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(zt)^n (a)_n}{n!} \right] dt$$

$$\therefore (1-t)^{-a} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c-b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} dt$$

(Some Results on ${}_mF_n$
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