

A Reduction Approach to Creative Telescoping

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Outline

- ▶ Introduction to Creative Telescoping
- ▶ Creative Telescoping via Reductions
 - ▶ Rational case
 - ▶ Hyperexponential case
 - ▶ Hypergeometric case

Part 1. Introduction to Creative Telescoping

- ▶ What is creative telescoping
- ▶ Existence problems in creative telescoping
- ▶ Algorithms for creative telescoping

Wilf–Zeilberger theory

In the early 1990s, Wilf and Zeilberger developed an algorithmic theory for proving identities in combinatorics and special functions.

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 = \binom{2n}{n}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j}^2 \binom{n+2k-j}{2k} = \binom{n+k}{k}^2$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{\alpha-1} Li_n(-xy) dx = \frac{\pi(-\alpha)^n y^{-\alpha}}{\sin(\alpha\pi)}$$

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{e^{-px} T_n(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = (-1)^n \pi I_n(p)$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \sum_{k=1}^n \Delta_k \left(-\frac{1}{k} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

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$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\binom{2k}{k}^2}{(k+1)4^{2k}} = \sum_{k=0}^n \Delta_k \left(\frac{4k \binom{2k}{k}^2}{4^{2k}} \right) = \frac{(n+1) \binom{2n+2}{n+1}^2}{4^{2n+1}}$$

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Mathematics

Decision procedure for indefinite hypergeometric summation

(algorithm/binomial coefficient identities/closed form/symbolic computation/linear recurrences)

R. WILLIAM GOSPER, JR.

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$$\sum_{n=1}^m \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} aj^3 + bj^2 + cj + d}{\prod_{j=1}^n aj^3 + bj^2 + cj + e} = \frac{1 - \prod_{j=1}^m \frac{aj^3 + bj^2 + cj + d}{aj^3 + bj^2 + cj + e}}{e - d}$$

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Time	Conference Room 2
09:00 - 10:00	William Chen - The Art of Telescoping Chair: Dongming Wang
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break



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$$\zeta(3) =: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} = \frac{5}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^3 \binom{2n}{n}}.$$

$$b_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2, \quad a_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2 c_{n,k},$$

$$c_{n,k} = \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{m^3} + \sum_{m=1}^k \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{2m^3 \binom{n}{m} \binom{n+m}{m}}.$$

Then $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 6; b_0 = 1, b_1 = 5$ and each sequence $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ satisfies the recurrence (2).

$$n^3 u_n + (n-1)^3 u_{n-2} = (34n^3 - 51n^2 + 27n - 5) u_{n-1},$$
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Algebraic setting

Notation.

- ▶ \mathbb{F} : a field of characteristic zero;
- ▶ $\mathbb{F}(\mathbf{v})$: the field of rational functions in $\mathbf{v} = v_1, \dots, v_n$ over \mathbb{F} ;
- ▶ D_{v_i} : the partial **derivation** defined by

$$D_{v_i}(f(\mathbf{v})) = \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{v})}{\partial v_i}.$$

- ▶ S_{v_i} : the partial **shift** operator defined by

$$S_{v_i}(f(\mathbf{v})) = f(v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}, v_i + 1, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_n);$$

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$$F(1) = 2 = \binom{2}{1}$$

Then the identity is proved!

Example: Recurrence for Apéry numbers

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> with(SumTools) :
> with(Hypergeometric) :

Apéry numbers:  $b_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2$ 

> f := binomial(n, k)^2 * binomial(n + k, k)^2;
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> RHS := ZeilbergerRecurrence(eval(f,
n = n - 1), n, k, y, 0..n);
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$$F(0) = \sqrt{\pi} \quad \text{and} \quad F'(0) = -2\sqrt{\pi}$$

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ALGEBRAIC CURVES OVER FIELDS WITH DIFFERENTIATION

Ju. L. MANIN

A differential-algebraic homomorphism is constructed from the group of divisor classes of degree zero on a curve defined over a constant field with differentiation into the additive group of a finite-dimensional vector space over the constant field. A partial study of the kernel of this homomorphism is made.

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12. Elliptic curves. General case. In general, when there are no special restrictions on a, b the formulas obtained are much more complicated.

We seek a linear relation

$$D^3\bar{\omega} + p^1 D\bar{\omega} + p^0 \bar{\omega} = 0$$

with undetermined coefficients p^1, p^0 . Separating total differentials gives

$$D^3\bar{\omega} + p^1 D\bar{\omega} + p^0 \bar{\omega} = a \left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{(D\epsilon_{\alpha})^3}{(3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a)^3} \frac{Y^2}{(X - \epsilon_{\alpha})^3} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{f_1 \epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + f_2 \epsilon_{\alpha} + f_3}{(3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a)^2} + p^1 \frac{\epsilon_{\alpha} (D\epsilon_{\alpha} + D\bar{\omega})}{(3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a)} + \epsilon_{\alpha} D^2 a + D^3 b \right] \cdot \frac{Y}{X - \epsilon_{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{2} g_2 X^2 + \left[p^0 + \frac{3}{4} (g_2 + h_0 - \frac{a g_1}{3}) - \frac{1}{2} p^1 h_0 - \frac{1}{2} l_1 \right] \frac{dX}{Y} + \left[\frac{3}{4} (g_1 + h_1) - \frac{1}{2} p^1 k_1 - \frac{1}{2} l_1 \right] \frac{X dX}{Y^2}.$$

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Abbreviating, we write

$$g_2 = -\sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{(D\epsilon_{\alpha})^2}{(3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a)^2}, \quad f_2 = -3 \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\epsilon_{\alpha} (D\epsilon_{\alpha})^2}{3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a}, \quad h_1 = \frac{2a^2 f_2 + 9b f_1 - 6a f_0}{8},$$

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$$g_0 = -2 \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 (D\epsilon_{\alpha})^2}{(3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a)^2}, \quad f_0 = -\sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{(D\epsilon_{\alpha})^2 \epsilon_{\alpha+1}^2 \epsilon_{\alpha+2}^2}{3\epsilon_{\alpha}^2 + a} + \frac{(D\bar{\omega})^2}{b},$$

$$k_1 = \frac{9b D\bar{\omega} - 6a D\bar{\omega}}{8}, \quad l_1 = \frac{9b D^2 \bar{\omega} - 6a D^2 \bar{\omega}}{8},$$

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The coefficients p^1 and p^0 can be found from the relations

$$p^0 + \frac{3}{4} (g_0 + h_0 - \frac{a g_1}{3}) - \frac{1}{2} p^1 k_0 - \frac{1}{2} l_0 = 0,$$

$$\frac{3}{4} (g_1 + h_1) - \frac{1}{2} p^1 k_1 - \frac{1}{2} l_1 = 0.$$

For a curve C_a of the special form $Y^2 = X(X-1)(X-u)$ (see [1]) the relation on the differentials is quite simple:

$$D^3 \bar{\omega} + \frac{2u-1}{u(u-1)} D\bar{\omega} + \frac{1}{4u(u-1)} \bar{\omega} = 0,$$

although even here $Z(\cdot)$ appears to be fairly complicated.

Example: differential equations for integrals

In 1958, Manin gave a method for showing that

$$F(x) = \oint_{\Gamma} f(x,y)dy, \quad \text{where } f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y(y-1)(y-x)}}$$

satisfies the Picard-Fuchs differential equation

$$u''(x) + \frac{2x-1}{x(x-1)}u'(x) + \frac{1}{4x(x-1)}u(x) = 0.$$

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> with(DEtools):
> f := 1/sqrt(y*(y-1)*(y-x));
      f := 1/
      sqrt(y (y-1) (y-x))
(1)
> ZT := Zeilberger(f, x, y, Dx);
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            [2 y (y-1)
             (-y+x) sqrt(-y (y-1) (-y+x))] ]
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Creative telescoping: the mixed case

Problem. For a term $f(x,k)$ in some class $\mathfrak{S}(x,k)$, find a linear differential operator $L \in \mathbb{F}(x)\langle D_x \rangle$ and $g \in \mathfrak{S}(x,k)$ s.t.

$$\underbrace{L(x, D_x)}_{\text{Telescoper}}(f) = \Delta_k(g)$$

Call g the **certificate** for L .

Example. Let $f(x,k) = \binom{2k}{k} \cdot x^k$. Then a telescoper for f and its certificate are

$$L = (1 - 4x)D_x - 2 \quad \text{and} \quad g = -\frac{k}{x} \cdot f.$$

\Downarrow

$$\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \binom{2k}{k} x^k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4x}}.$$

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Problem. For a term $f(n,y)$ in some class $\mathfrak{S}(n,y)$, find a linear **recurrence** operator $L \in \mathbb{F}(n)\langle S_n \rangle$ and $g \in \mathfrak{S}(n,y)$ s.t.

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Example. Let $f(n,y) = y^{n-1} \exp(-y)$. Then a telescoper for f and its certificate are

$$L = S_n - n \quad \text{and} \quad g = -y \cdot f.$$

\Downarrow

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^{+\infty} f(n,y) dy \quad \text{satisfies} \quad \Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n).$$

Handbooks of identities

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Hille-Hardy's identity

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k_1} \sum_{k_2} \frac{u^n n!}{(a+1)_n} \binom{n+a}{n-k_1} \frac{(-x)^{k_1}}{k_1!} \binom{n+a}{n-k_2} \frac{(-y)^{k_2}}{k_2!} \\ &= (1-u)^{-a-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(x+y)u}{1-u} \right\} \sum_n \frac{1}{n!(a+1)_n} \left(\frac{xyu}{(1-u)^2} \right)^n \end{aligned}$$

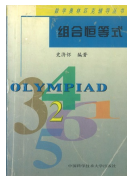
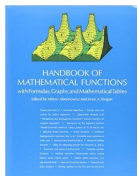
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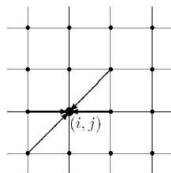
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Proof of Ira Gessel's lattice path conjecture

Manuel Kauers^a, Christoph Koutschan^a, and Doron Zeilberger^{b,1}

Theorem. Let $f(n; i, j)$ denote the number of Gessel walks going in n steps from $(0, 0)$ to (i, j) . Then $f(n; 0, 0) = 0$ if n is odd and

$$f(2n; 0, 0) = 16^n \frac{(5/6)_n (1/2)_n}{(5/3)_n (2)_n} \quad (n \geq 0),$$



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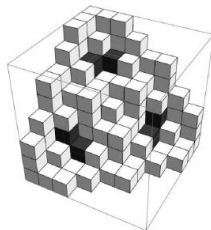
Proof of George Andrews's and David Robbins's q -TSP conjecture

Christoph Koutschan^{a,1}, Manuel Kauers^{b,2}, and Doron Zeilberger^c

Theorem 1. Let π/S_3 denote the set of orbits of a totally symmetric plane partition π under the action of the symmetric group S_3 . Then the orbit-counting generating function (ref. 3, p. 200, and ref. 2, p. 106) is given by

$$\sum_{\pi \in T(n)} q^{|\pi/S_3|} = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq n} \frac{1 - q^{i+j+k-1}}{1 - q^{i+j+k-2}}$$

where $T(n)$ denotes the set of totally symmetric plane partitions with largest part at most n .



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Tools: Combining Computer Algebra with

- ▶ Holonomic D-modules
- ▶ Differential and difference algebra
- ▶ Non-commutative polynomials
- ▶ ...

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Elimination Lemma. (Lipshitz1988)

Let $f(x, y)$ be D-finite over $\mathbb{F}(x, y)$. Then

$$\begin{cases} P(x, \mathbf{y}, D_x)(f) = 0 \\ Q(x, \mathbf{y}, D_y)(f) = 0 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow A(x, D_x, D_y)(f) = 0 \quad \text{with } \deg_{D_y}(A) \text{ minimal}$$



$A(x, D_x, \mathbf{0})$ is a telescoper for f

Existence problem: the bivariate case

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1990: Zeilberger proved that telescopers always exist for holonomic functions:

Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics 32 (1990) 321–368
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A holonomic systems approach to special functions identities *

Doron ZEILBERGER

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Existence problem: the bivariate case



1992: Wilf and Zeilberger proved that telescopers always exist for **proper** hypergeometric terms:

Invent. math. 108: 575–633 (1992)

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**An algorithmic proof theory for hypergeometric
(ordinary and “ q ”) multiset/integral identities**

Herbert S. Wilf* and Doron Zeilberger**

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Existence problem: the bivariate case



2002: Abramov and Le solved the existence problem for rational functions in two **discrete** variables:



Discrete Mathematics 259 (2002) 1–17

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A criterion for the applicability of Zeilberger's
algorithm to rational functions [☆]

S.A. Abramov^a, H.Q. Le^{b,*}

Existence problem: the bivariate case



2003: Abramov solved the existence problem for bivariate **hypergeometric** terms:



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When does Zeilberger's algorithm succeed?

S.A. Abramov¹

Existence problem: the bivariate case



2005: W.Y.C. Chen, Hou and Mu solved the existence problem for bivariate q -hypergeometric terms:



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Applicability of the q -analogue of Zeilberger's
algorithm

William Y.C. Chen*, Qing-Hu Hou, Yan-Ping Mu

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Existence problem: the bivariate case



2012: C. and Singer solved the existence problem for bivariate rational functions in the **mixed** cases:

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Residues and telescopers for bivariate rational functions [☆]

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Existence problem: the bivariate case



2015: C., Chyzak, Feng, Fu and Li solved the existence problem for bivariate mixed hypergeometric terms:



On the existence of telescopers for mixed hypergeometric terms [☆]




Shaoshi Chen^a, Frédéric Chyzak^b, Ruyong Feng^a,
Guofeng Fu^a, Ziming Li^a

Existence problem: the **trivariate rational** case

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Existence Problem of Telescopers: Beyond the Bivariate Case *

Shaoshi Chen^{1,2}, Qing-Hu Hou³, George Labahn², Rong-Hua Wang⁴

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Remark. In the four mixed discrete case, the existence problem is solved by Chen, Du and Zhu.

Thursday 18th July 2019

	Conference Room 2	Conference Room 8
	Special Functions	Symbolic-Numeric I
	Chair: Frederic Chyzak	Chair: Anna Bigatti
10:30 - 10:55	Shaoshi Chen, Lixin Du and Chaochao Zhu - Existence Problem of Telescopers for Rational Functions in Three Variables: the Mixed Cases	Kisun Lee, Anton Leykin and Michael Burr - Effective certification of approximate solutions to systems of equations involving analytic functions

Generations of creative telescoping algorithms

1. Elimination in operator algebras / Sister Celine's algorithm (since ≈ 1947)
2. Zeilberger's algorithm and its generalizations (since ≈ 1990)
3. The Apagodu-Zeilberger ansatz (since ≈ 2005)
4. Reduction-based methods (≈ 2010)

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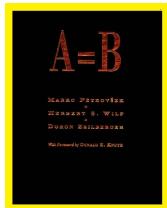
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Guess the certificate of L ?

Certificate

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$$L(x, D_x)(f) = D_y(g) \quad \text{for some } g \in \mathbb{F}(x, y).$$

Existence Theorem. Telescopers always exist for rational functions in $\mathbb{F}(x, y)$.

Integrability Problem. For $f \in \mathbb{F}(x, y)$, decide whether

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If such a g exists, f is said to be **D_y -integrable** in $\mathbb{F}(x, y)$.

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Additive Decomposition. Let $f \in \mathbb{E}(y)$ with $\mathbb{E} = \mathbb{F}(x)$.
Then

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where $g \in \mathbb{E}(y)$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{E}[y]$ with $\deg_y(a) < \deg_y(b)$
and b being **squarefree**. Moreover

$$f \text{ is } D_y\text{-integrable in } \mathbb{E}(y) \iff a = 0$$

If $\mathbb{E} = \mathbb{C}$, then

$$\int f dy = \underbrace{g}_{\text{Rational}} + \underbrace{\sum_{b(\beta_i)=0} c_i \log(y - \beta_i)}_{\text{Transcendental}}$$

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$$f = p_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} \frac{p_{i,j}}{q_i^j},$$

where $\deg_y(p_{i,j}) < \deg_y(q_i)$ and q_i **squarefree**.

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Idea: For $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, compute

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- ▶ until $\exists \eta_0, \dots, \eta_i \in \mathbb{F}(x)$ with $\eta_i \neq 0$ s.t.

$$\sum_{j=0}^i \eta_j a_j = 0 \quad \iff \quad \underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^i \eta_j D_x^j(f)}_{\text{telescoper}} = D_y \left(\underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^i \eta_j g_j}_{\text{certificate}} \right).$$

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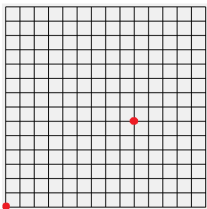
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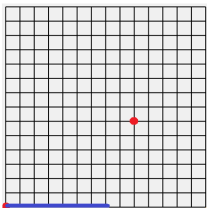
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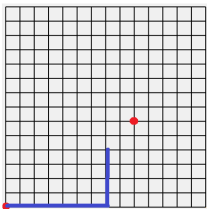
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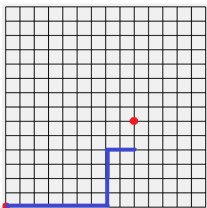
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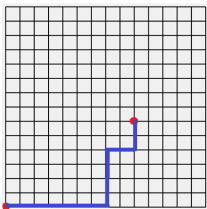
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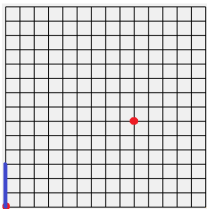
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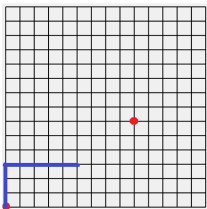
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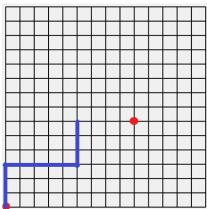
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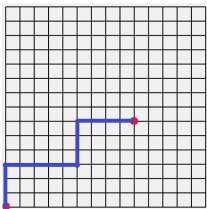
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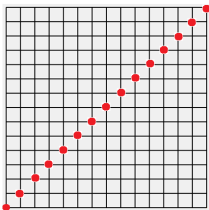
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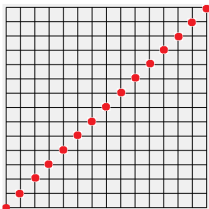
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Rational Telescoping: the discrete case

Telescoping Problem. For $f \in \mathbb{F}(x, y)$, find $L \in \mathbb{F}(x)\langle S_x \rangle$ such that

$$L(x, S_x)(f) = \Delta_y(g) \quad \text{for some } g \in \mathbb{F}(x, y).$$

Remark. Telescopers **may not** exist in this case.

$$f = 1/(x^2 + y^2) \text{ has no telescoper.}$$

Summability Problem. For $f \in \mathbb{F}(x, y)$, decide whether

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Dispersion and shift-free polynomials

Definition. For $p \in \mathbb{E}[y]$, the **dispersion** of p in y is

$$\begin{aligned}\text{disp}_y(p) &= \max\{i \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \gcd(p(y), p(y+i)) \neq 1\} \\ &= \max\{i \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \exists \alpha \in \overline{\mathbb{E}} \text{ s.t. } p(\alpha) = p(\alpha+i) = 0\}\end{aligned}$$

Example. Let $p = y(y-x)(y-x+3)(y+x)$. Then $\text{disp}_y(p) = 3$.

Definition. $p \in \mathbb{E}[y]$ is **shift-free** in y if $\text{disp}_y(p) = 0$.

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Theorem. (AbramovLe2002) Let $f \in \mathbb{F}(x, y)$. Then f has a telescoper in $\mathbb{F}(x)\langle S_x \rangle$ if and only if

$$f = \Delta_y(g) + \frac{a}{b_1 \cdots b_n},$$

where $g \in \mathbb{F}(x, y)$, $a, b_i \in \mathbb{F}[x, y]$ and the b_i 's are **integer-linear**.

Examples. $f_1 = 1/(x^2 + y^2)$ has no telescoper since $x^2 + y^2$ is not integer-linear and $f_2 = 1/((x + y)(3x + 2y))$ has a telescoper.

Telescoping via reduction

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Reduction-based creative telescoping.

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Structural form.

$$\left(\int f(y) dy\right) = u_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \log(u_i)$$

\Downarrow

$$H = \exp\left(\int f(y) dy\right) = \exp(u_0) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m u_i^{c_i}$$

Hyperexponential integrability

Integrability Problem. For a hyperexp. $H(y)$, decide whether

$$H = D_y(G) \quad \text{for hyperexp. } G \text{ over } \mathbb{E}(y).$$

If such a G exists, H is said to be **hyperexp. D_y -integrable**. Note that $G = u \cdot H$ for some $u \in \mathbb{E}(y)$.

Example. $\exp(y)$ is hyperexp. D_y -integrable but not $\exp(y^2)$.

Fact. Let $f = D_y(H)/H \in \mathbb{E}(y)$. Then

H is hyperexp. D_y -integrable



$D_y(u(y)) + f \cdot u(y) = 1$ has a solution in $\mathbb{E}(y)$.

Almkvist–Zeilberger's algorithm

Let $f = D_y(H)/H$. Find a **rational** solution of

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1 Decompose

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where $p, q, r \in \mathbb{E}[y]$ and q, r satisfies

$$\gcd(r, q - jD_y(r)) = 1 \quad \text{for all } j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

2 Find a **polynomial** solution of

$$p = (q + D_y(r))v(y) + rD_y(v(y))$$

3 If $v \in \mathbb{E}[y]$ exists, return $u := (rv/p)$.



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$$H = \exp\left(\int f dy\right) = \underbrace{S}_{\text{rational part}} \cdot \exp\left(\int K dy\right)$$

Remark. $K = 0 \Rightarrow H \in \mathbb{E}(y)$.

Geddes-Le-Li's reduction

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Then $\exists g \in \mathbb{E}(y), u, v \in \mathbb{E}[y]$ s.t.

$$H = D_y(g \cdot T) + \left(\frac{u}{q^*} + \frac{v}{b}\right) \cdot T,$$

where q^* is the **squarefree** part of q and $\deg_y(u) < \deg_y(q^*)$.

Remark. If $H \in \mathbb{E}(y)$, then **G-L-L = H-O**.

Proposition. H is hyperexp. D_y -integrable if and only if

- ▶ $u = 0$;
- ▶ $bD_y(w) + aw = v$ has a polynomial solution in $\mathbb{E}[y]$.

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- ▶ $\frac{r}{b \cdot q^*}$ is **unique**;
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Hermite reduction for $D_x^i(H)$

Hermite reduction in y decomposes H as

$$H = D_y(g_0 \cdot T) + \frac{r_0}{b \cdot q^*} \cdot T \quad \text{with } T = \exp(Jdx + Kdy) ,$$

where $b = \text{denom}(K)$ and $\text{denom}(J) \mid b$. Then

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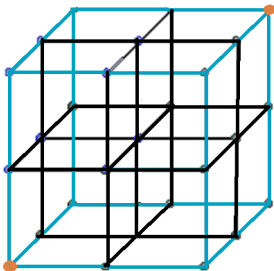
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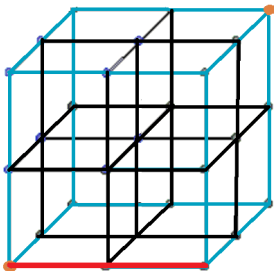
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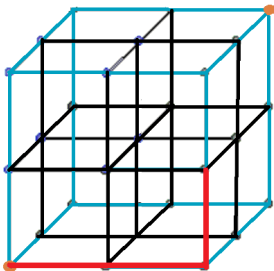
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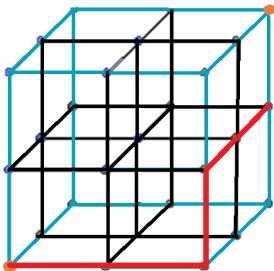
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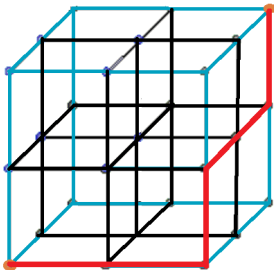
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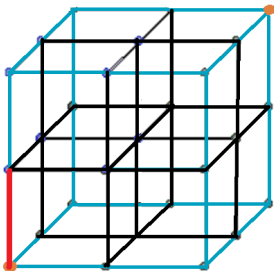
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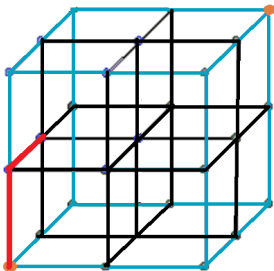
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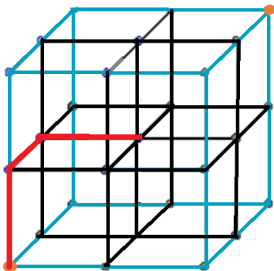
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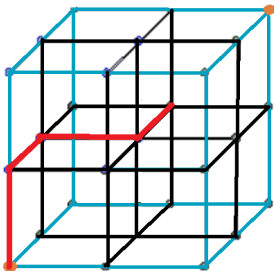
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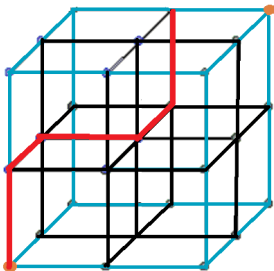
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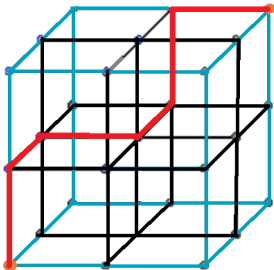
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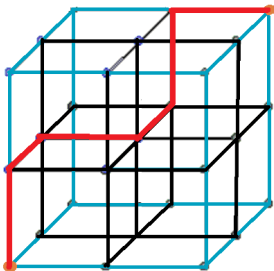
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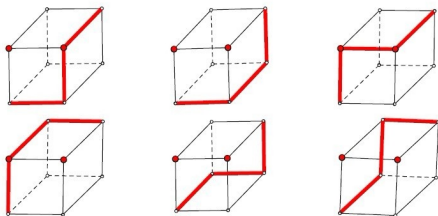
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Summability Problem. For a hypergeom. $H(k)$, decide whether

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If such a G exists, H is said to be **hypergeom. S_k -summable**. Note that $G = u \cdot H$ for some $u \in \mathbb{E}(k)$.

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1 Compute Gosper's form

$$f = \frac{S_k(p)}{p} \cdot \frac{q}{r},$$

where $p, q, r \in \mathbb{E}[k]$ and q, r satisfies

$$\gcd(q(k), r(k+j)) = 1 \quad \text{for all } j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

2 Find a **polynomial** solution of

$$p = q \cdot S_k(v(k)) - S_k^{-1}(r) \cdot v(y)$$

3 If $v \in \mathbb{E}[k]$ exists, return $u := S_k^{-1}(r)v/p$.



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Remark. $K = 1 \Rightarrow H \in \mathbb{E}(k)$.

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Additive Decomposition. Let $H = S \cdot T$ with

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Then $\exists g \in \mathbb{E}(k)$ and $u, v \in \mathbb{E}[k]$ s.t.

$$H = \Delta_k(g \cdot T) + \left(\frac{u}{\tilde{q}} + \frac{v}{b} \right) \cdot T,$$

where \tilde{q} is **shift-free**, $\deg_k(u) < \deg_k(\tilde{q})$, and

$$\gcd\left(\tilde{q}, S_k^{-\ell}(a)\right) = \gcd\left(\tilde{q}, S_k^{\ell}(b)\right) = 1 \quad \text{for all } \ell \geq 0.$$

Remark. If $H \in \mathbb{E}(k)$, then **Abramov–Petkovšek = Abramov**.

Proposition. H is hypergeom. S_y -summable if and only if

- ▶ $u = 0$;
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Modified Abramov–Petkovšek (MAP) reduction

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MAP reduction decomposes H as

$$H = S \cdot T = \underbrace{\Delta_k(g \cdot T)}_{\text{summable}} + \underbrace{\frac{r}{b \cdot \tilde{q}} \cdot T}_{\text{non-summable}}$$

where

- ▶ $\deg_k(r) < \deg_k(\tilde{q}) + \max\{\deg_y(a), \deg_y(b)\}$ with \tilde{q} being shift-free;
- ▶ h is hypergeom. S_y -summable $\Leftrightarrow r = 0$.

We call $r/(b \cdot \tilde{q}) \cdot T$ the **residual form** of H , which is not **unique**.

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Proposition. Let $K \in \mathbb{F}(y)$ be shift-reduced and $\sigma_y(T)/T = K$.

Let $r_1 \cdot T, r_2 \cdot T$ be two residual forms w.r.t. K . Then \exists a residual form r'_1 w.r.t. K s.t.

$$r_1 T = \Delta_y(g \cdot T) + r'_1 T \quad \text{and} \quad (r'_1 + r_2) \cdot T \text{ is a residual form.}$$

Bivariate hypergeometric terms

Definition. $H(n, k)$ is **hypergeometric** over $\mathbb{F}(n, k)$ if

$$g := \frac{S_n(H)}{H}, \quad f := \frac{S_k(H)}{H} \in \mathbb{F}(n, k).$$

Examples.

$$\frac{1}{n+k}, \quad 2^n 3^k, \quad \binom{n}{k}, \quad (n+k)!, \quad \Gamma(2n+3k), \dots$$

Ore–Sato Theorem.

$$H = f(n, k) \lambda^n \mu^k \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{\Gamma(a_i n + b_i k + c_i)}{\Gamma(u_i n + v_i k + w_i)},$$

where $f \in \mathbb{F}(n, k)$, $\lambda, \mu, c_i, w_i \in \mathbb{F}$ and $a_i, b_i, u_i, v_i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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Softwares

▶ MAPLE:

- 1 EKHAD by Zeilberger
- 2 DEtools:-Zeilberger by Le
- 3 SumTools[Hypergeometric]:-Zeilberger by Le
- 4 Mgfund:-creative_telescoping by Chyzak
- 5 **ReductionCT** by C., Huang, Kauers, and Li
- 6 ...

▶ MATHEMATICA:

- 1 fastZeil: Zb by Paule and Schorn
- 2 HolonomicFunctions: CreativeTelescoping by Koutschan
- 3 ...

▶ Maxima: Zeilberger by Fabrizio Caruso

▶ Reduce: zeilberg by Wolfram Koepf

▶ ...

4th generation: the reduction approach

Goal. Separating the computations of telescopers and certificates

▶ Differential case:

- ▶ Bostan, C., Chyzak, Li (2010): bivariate rational functions
- ▶ Bostan, C, Chyzak, Li, Xin (2013): bivariate hyperexp. funks
- ▶ Bostan, Lairez, Salvy (2013): multivariate rational functions
- ▶ C., Kauers, Koutschan (2016): bivariate algebraic functions
- ▶ C., van Hoeij, Kauers, Koutschan (2018): fuchsian D-finite
- ▶ van der Hoeven (2017, 2018), Bostan, Chyzak, Lairez, Salvy (2018): D-finite functions

▶ Shift case:

- ▶ C., Huang, Kauers, Li (2015): bivariate hypergeom. terms
- ▶ Huang (2016): new bounds for hypergeom. creative telescoping
- ▶ Giesbrecht, Huang, Labahn, Zima (2019): faster algorithm
- ▶ C., Hou, Huang, Labahn, Wang (2019): trivariate rational

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Open Problem 1. Multivariate extension of Gosper's algorithm

Given a multivariate hypergeometric term $H(k_1, \dots, k_d)$ over $\mathbb{F}(k_1, \dots, k_d)$, decide whether there exist hypergeometric terms G_1, \dots, G_d such that

$$H = \Delta_{k_1}(G_1) + \dots + \Delta_{k_d}(G_d).$$

Remark. Bivariate rational case: ChenSinger (2014), HouWang (2015). Multivariate rational case: ChenDu (2019).

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Open Problem 2. Picard's problem (1889)

Given a rational function $f \in \mathbb{C}(x, y, z)$, decide whether there exist $u, v, w \in \mathbb{C}(x, y, z)$ such that

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Remark. The bivariate case was solved by Picard in 1889.

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2. Given an $L \in \mathbb{F}(x)\langle D_x \rangle$, decide whether there exists a hyperexponential function $H(x, y)$ s.t. L is a telescoper for H .

Remark. Petkovsek recently made some progress on this problem.

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Open Problem 4. Computational challenges

For $d = 4, 5, \dots, 12$, prove recurrence equations for the diagonal of the rational series $1/(1 - \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{x_i}{1-x_i})$ conjectured in the paper

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