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Algorithm Hyper (Part II)

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1. Implementations of Algorithm Hyper in Mathematica

a) Outline of Algorithm Hyper

- Goal: solve $Ly = 0$

where $L = \sum_{i=0}^r p_i(n)N^i$, $p_i \in \mathcal{P}(F)$, $y \in \mathcal{H}(K)$
 K a field extension of F

- Algorithm: (for second-order linear recurrence)

consider $p_2(n)y(n+2) + p_1(n)y(n+1) + p_0(n)y(n) = 0$

1. Implementations of Algorithm Hyper in Mathematica

- **Algorithm:** (for second order linear recurrence)

consider
$$p_2(n)y(n+2) + p_1(n)y(n+1) + p_0(n)y(n) = 0$$

1. since solution $y \in \mathcal{H}(K)$, we set $y(n+1) = S(n)y(n)$ for some $S \in \mathcal{R}(K)$, substitute in the equation and cancel $y(n)$:

$$p_2(n)S(n+1)S(n)y(n) + p_1(n)S(n)y(n) + p_0(n)y(n) = 0$$

$$p_2(n)S(n+1)S(n) + p_1(n)S(n) + p_0(n) = 0$$

2. write $S(n)$ in the canonical form (Thm 5.3.1.) and substitute in the equation:

$$S(n) = z \frac{a(n)c(n+1)}{b(n)c(n)}$$

$$z^2 p_2(n)a(n+1)a(n)c(n+2) + z p_1(n)b(n+1)a(n)c(n+1) + p_0(n)b(n+1)b(n)c(n) = 0$$

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3. $a(n)$ is relatively prime with $c(n)$, $b(n)$ and $b(n+1)$, hence $a(n) \mid p_0(n)$.
Similarly, $b(n+1) \mid p_2(n)$. So we cancel factors $a(n)$ and $b(n+1)$ in the p_i 's :

$$z^2 \frac{p_2(n)}{b(n+1)} a(n+1) c(n+2) + z p_1(n) c(n+1) + \frac{p_0(n)}{a(n)} b(n) c(n) = 0$$

4. For each choice of $a(n)$ and $b(n)$, equate the leading coefficient in LHS to zero and solve quadratic equation for z .
5. For each choice of $a(n)$, $b(n)$ and z , solve auxiliary recurrence equation for $c(n)$, using Algorithm Poly.

1. Implementations of Algorithm Hyper in Mathematica

Remarks:

- generalization to higher order recurrences: Algorithm Poly in step 6 (method of undetermined coefficients) to a larger SLE.
- Maximal complexity if no hypergeometric solution exists (need to check all possible triples $(a(n), b(n), z)$).
- Check triples $(a(n), b(n), z)$ until generating $Ker(L) \cap \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_K)$ (Note: $Ker(L)$ may need more than just hypergeometric sequences to be spanned).
- Coefficient p'_i 's are in $\mathcal{P}(F)$, but hypergeometric solutions $y(n)$ are in $\mathcal{H}(K)$, because:
 - Splitting field for the p'_i 's
 - Splitting fields of the polynomial to solve for the constant z .
- Algorithm Hyper in Mathematica stops after first solution.
 - all solutions in $\mathcal{H}(K)$ by trying all triples $(a(n), b(n), z)$.
 - yields a generating set of $Ker(L) \cap \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_K)$, not necessarily a basis.

1. Implementations of Algorithm Hyper in Mathematica

a) Finding all hypergeometric solutions:

Example 1: $y(n + 2) - 2(n + 2)y(n + 1) + (n + 1)(n + 2)y(n) = 0$

- Algorithm Hyper gives a first solution:

-In[1]:= Hyper[y[n + 2] - 2 (n + 2) y[n + 1] + (n + 1) (n + 2) y[n] == 0, y[n]]

-Out[1]= {2 + n}

i.e. $S(n) = \frac{y(n+1)}{y(n)} = n + 2$ and a hypergeometric solution is $y(n) = (n + 1)!$.

- Calling all hypergeometric solutions gives:

-In[2]:= Hyper[y[n + 2] - 2 (n + 2) y[n + 1] + (n + 1) (n + 2) y[n] == 0, y[n], Solutions → All]

-Out[2]= {1 + n, (1 + n)²/n, 2 + n}

- This gives the generating set:

$\{ n! ; \frac{(n!)^2}{(n-1)!} ; (n + 1)! \}$ containing the basis $\{ n! ; \frac{(n!)^2}{(n-1)!} \}$. (the 3rd solution is the sum of the first two).

1. Implementations of Algorithm Hyper in Mathematica

a) Finding all hypergeometric solutions:

Example 2:
$$y(n + 2) - (2n + 1)y(n + 1) + (n^2 - 3)y(n) = 0$$

- Algorithm Hyper gives a first solution:

-In[1]:= Hyper[y[n + 2] - (2 n + 1) y[n + 1] + (n^2 - 3) y[n] == 0, y[n]
Warning: irreducible factors of degree > 1 in trailing coefficient; some solutions may not be found

-Out[1]= {}

i.e. no solution in $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{Q})$

→ consider splitting field of trailing coefficient p_0 , $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$

- Calling all hypergeometric solutions in $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}))$ gives:

-In[2]:= Hyper[y[n + 2] - 2 (n + 2) y[n + 1] + (n + 1) (n + 2) y[n] == 0, y[n], Quadratics → True, Solutions → All]

-Out[2]= {- $\sqrt{3}$ + n, $\sqrt{3}$ + n}

i.e. $S(n) = \frac{y(n+1)}{y(n)} = \pm\sqrt{3} + n$ and hypergeometric solutions is $y(n) = (\pm\sqrt{3})_n$.

2. Finding all hypergeometric solutions and more

- Considering all possible triples $(a(n), b(n), z)$ in Algo Hyper
 - all solutions in $\mathcal{H}(K)$
 - actually a generating set for $\text{Ker}(L) \cap \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_K)$
- Another method:
 - find a first hypergeometric solution
 - reduce the order of the recurrence equation (i.e. factorize the recurrence operator)
 - look for a hypergeometric solution for the reduced recurrence,
 - ... (repeat)
 - factorization of the linear recurrence operator L as a composition of first-order linear recurrence operators $L = L_k L_{k-1} \dots L_1$.
 - solutions from a larger class of sequences, the *d'Alembertian sequences*, i.e. sequence of the form $y = h_1 \sum (h_2 \sum (\dots \sum h_k))$, where $y = \sum h$ means $\Delta y(n) = y(n+1) - y(n) = h(n)$

2. Finding all hypergeometric solutions and more

a) **Outline of reducing order of L**

consider a second-order linear recurrence:

$$p_2(n)y(n+2) + p_1(n)y(n+1) + p_0(n)y(n) = 0$$

1. Algo Hyper gives a first hypergeometric solution $h_1 \in \mathcal{H}(K)$.
Note: $L_1 h_1 = 0$, for some L_1 of first order (since by definition $p_1(n)h_1(n+1) + p_0(n)h_1(n) = 0$, for some p_0 and $p_1 \in \mathcal{P}(K)$).
2. look for a solution of the form $y(n) = h_1 \sum h_2$, where $h_2 \in \mathcal{H}(K)$.
→ substituting for $y(n)$ in $Ly = 0$
→ a first order recurrence equation which admits $h_2 \in \mathcal{H}(K)$ as a solution.
3. We obtained two solutions h_1 and $h_1 \sum h_2$ which span $\text{Ker}(L) \cap \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_K)$.
(Note that $h_1 \sum h_2$ is not necessarily hypergeometric.)

2. Finding all hypergeometric solutions and more

Remarks:

- Euclidean division in the ring of linear recurrence operators with coefficients in $\mathcal{R}(K)$:
 - shift operator N distributes and commutes with linear recurrence operators (rule: $Np(n) = p(n+1)N$),
→ define a multiplication and a division with rest of linear recurrence operators.
 - Let $y \in \mathcal{S}(K)$ s.t. $Ly = 0$, and let M of minimal order such that $My = 0$.
→ division of L by M : $L = QM + R$, Q and R linear recurrence operators, $\text{ord}(R) < \text{ord}(M)$.
Since L and M annihilate y , so does R which is then necessarily the zero operator.
Hence the operator with minimal order annihilating y is a factor of the operator L .
Conversely, if $My = 0$ then obviously $QMy = 0$ for any Q .
- solving $Ly = 0$ is equivalent to factorizing the linear operator as $L = L_2L_1$ where L_1 is the annihilating operator of y of minimal order.
When y is hypergeometric the minimal operator L_1 is of first order.

2. Finding all hypergeometric solutions and more

b) Solutions in d'Alembertian sequences:

Example:
$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{3k}{k} \binom{3n-3k}{n-k}$$

- Zeilberger Algo gives L such that $Ly = 0$:

$$L = 8(n+2)(2n+3)N^2 - 6(36n^2 + 99n + 70)N + 81(3n+2)(3n+4)$$

- Algo Hyper gives a unique solution in $\text{Ker}(L) \cap \mathcal{H}(K)$:

-In[2]:= Hyper[8 (n + 2) (2 n + 3) y[n + 2] - 6 (36 n^2 + 99 n + 70) y[n + 1] + 81 (3 n + 2) (3 n + 4) y[n] == 0, y[n], Solutions → All]

-Out[2]= {27/4}

i.e. $S(n) = \frac{y(n+1)}{y(n)} = \frac{27}{4}$ and the fundamental hypergeometric solution is $y(n) = \left(\frac{27}{4}\right)^n$.

- We divide L by the factor $L_1 = 4N - 27$ corresponding to the solution above,
 $\rightarrow L = L_2 L_1$, with $L_2 = 2(n+2)(2n+3)N - 3(3n+2)(3n+4)$.

2. Finding all hypergeometric solutions and more

b) Solutions in d'Alembertian sequences:

- We divide L by the factor $L_1 = 4N - 27$ corresponding to the solution above,
→ $L = L_2 L_1$, with $L_2 = 2(n+2)(2n+3)N - 3(3n+2)(3n+4)$.

- The first order recurrence $L_2 y = 0$ writes $y(n+1) = \frac{3(3n+2)(3n+4)}{2(n+2)(2n+3)} y(n)$
→ hypergeometric solution $y(n) = \frac{\binom{3n}{n}}{3n-1}$.

- Hence a second fundamental solution for the first recurrence equation is:

$$y(n) = \left(\frac{27}{4}\right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\binom{3k}{k}}{3k-1} \left(\frac{27}{4}\right)^{-k}$$

- Considering the initial values $y(0) = 1$ and $y(1) = 6$ we get the solution:

$$y(n) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{27}{4}\right)^n \left(1 - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\binom{3k+3}{k+1}}{3k+2} \left(\frac{27}{4}\right)^{-k}\right)$$

2. Finding all hypergeometric solutions and more

b) Finding all solutions in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_K)$: (i.e. all closed form solutions)

Note:

- If $h \in \mathcal{H}_K$ ($Lh \neq 0$), then $Lh \in \mathcal{H}_K$ and is similar to h
(write $r = Nh/h$, substitute in Lh and factor out h)
- If $h \in \mathcal{H}_K$ s.t. $Lh = 0$ and $h = \sum_{i=1}^k h_i$ for h_i 's pairwise dissimilar, then $Lh_i = 0$ for all i
(if $Lh_i \neq 0$ write $Lh_i = r_i h_i$, substitute in $Lh = 0$, yields $\sum_{i=1}^k h_i = 0$ then $r_i = 0$ since h_i are dissimilar)
- If $h \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_K)$ s.t. $Lh = 0$ then $h = \sum_{i=1}^k h_i$ for h_i 's s.t. $Lh_i = 0$ for all i .
sum of similar hypergeometric terms is either hypergeometric or zero,
so write $h = \sum_{i=1}^k h_i$ with h_i 's pairwise dissimilar hypergeometric,
then substitute in $Lh = 0$, then follows $Lh_i = 0$ for all i by previous remark.

It follows that all solutions in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_K)$ are spanned by the solutions in \mathcal{H}_K obtained by Algorithm Hyper.

Thank you