Time scales analogues of differential equations

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Plan of the talk

- 1. Preliminaries. Notation.
- 2. Exponential, hyperbolic and trigonometric functions on time scales. Short review of existing results.
- 3. New definition of the exponential function on \mathbb{T} , motivated by the Cayley transformation.
- 4. Cayley-hyperbolic and C-trigonometric functions on \mathbb{T} .
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 - modification of the q-calculus,
 - ullet Padé-analogues of the exponential function on \mathbb{T} ,
 - time scales analogue of the exact discretization,
 - dynamic systems on Lie groups.
 - Sine-Gordon equation on time scales.

1. Preliminaries. Notation

Time scale \mathbb{T} is any (non-empty) closed subset of \mathbb{R} .

Forward jump operator
$$\sigma(t) := \inf\{s \in \mathbb{T} : s > t\} =: t^{\sigma}$$

Backward jump operator
$$\rho(t) := \sup\{s \in \mathbb{T} : s < t\}$$

Graininess
$$\mu(t) := \sigma(t) - t$$
.

Rd-continuous function is continuous at right-dense points $(\sigma(t) = t)$ and has a finite limit at left-dense points $(\rho(t) = t)$.

Graininess μ **is always rd-continuous** (but is not continuous at points which are left-dense and right-scattered).

Delta derivative:
$$f^{\Delta}(t) := \lim_{\substack{s \to t \\ s \neq \sigma(t)}} \frac{f(\sigma(t)) - f(s)}{\sigma(t) - s}$$

Theorem (Hilger): Any rd-continuous function f has an antiderivative F (i.e., $F^{\Delta} = f$).

Nabla derivative:
$$f^{\nabla}(t) := \lim_{\substack{s \to t \\ s \neq \rho(t)}} \frac{f(\rho(t)) - f(s)}{\rho(t) - s} \; .$$

Hilger's exponential function, denoted by $e_{\alpha}(t, t_0)$, is the unique solution of the following initial value problem $(\alpha : \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C} \text{ is given})$:

$$x^{\Delta} = \alpha(t) x$$
, $x(t_0) = 1$.

Nabla exponential function, denoted by $\hat{e}_{lpha}(t,t_0)$, satisfies:

$$x^{\nabla} = \alpha(t) x$$
, $x(t_0) = 1$.

Continuous case $(\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R})$: $e_{\alpha}(t, t_0) = \hat{e}_{\alpha}(t, t_0) = \exp \int_{t_0}^{t} \alpha(t) \Delta t$.

$$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}, \quad \alpha(t) = z \quad \Rightarrow \quad e_{\alpha}(t) = \hat{e}_{\alpha}(t) = e^{zt}.$$

Discrete constant case $(\mathbb{T} = h\mathbb{Z}, \ \alpha(t) = z \in \mathbb{C})$:

$$e_z(t) = \left(1 + \frac{zt}{n}\right)^n, \qquad \hat{e}_z(t) = \left(1 - \frac{zt}{n}\right)^{-n}, \qquad t = nh.$$

2. Hyperbolic and trigonometric functions

$$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R} \implies \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{ix} + e^{-ix} \right) , \quad e^{-ix} = (e^{ix})^{-1}$$
 (!)

Unfortunatelly: $e_{-\alpha}(t,t_0) \neq e_{\alpha}^{-1}(t,t_0)$.

2.1. Hilger (1999):
$$\cosh_{\alpha}(t) = \frac{e_{\alpha}(t) + e_{\alpha}^{-1}(t)}{2}$$
 etc.

Advantages: $\cosh_{\alpha}^{2}(t) - \sinh_{\alpha}^{2}(t) = 1$,

Disadvantages: $\cosh^{\Delta}_{\alpha}(t)$ is not proportional to $\sinh_{\alpha}(t)$,

 $\cosh_{i\omega}(t) \notin \mathbb{R}$ (for $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$). How to define sine and cosine?

Hilger (1999):
$$\omega(t) = \text{const} \Rightarrow \cos_{\omega}(t) := \cos(\omega t)$$
 (?!)

Exact discretization!

2.2. Bohner, Peterson (2001):

$$\cosh_{\alpha}(t) = \frac{e_{\alpha}(t) + e_{-\alpha}(t)}{2}, \quad \cos_{\omega}(t) = \cosh_{i\omega}(t), \quad \text{etc.}$$

Advantages: $\omega \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \cos_{\omega}(t) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \sin_{\omega}(t) \in \mathbb{R},$

$$\sinh_{\alpha}^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha \cosh_{\alpha}(t)$$
, $\sin_{\omega}^{\Delta}(t) = \omega \cos_{\omega}(t)$, etc.

Disadvantages: in place of Pythagorean identities we have qualitatively different equalities, i.e.,

$$\cosh_{\alpha}^2(t)-\sinh_{\alpha}^2(t)=e_{-\mu\alpha^2}(t),\quad \cos_{\omega}^2(t)+\sin_{\omega}^2(t)=e_{\mu\omega^2}(t)\;.$$

Sine and cosine are not bounded.

3. New definition of the exponential function

The Cayley-exponential function $E_{\alpha}(t,t_0)$ satisfies the following initial value problem:

$$x^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha(t) \langle x(t) \rangle$$
, $x(t_0) = 1$,

where α is regressive (i.e., $\mu\alpha \neq \pm 2$) and rd-continuous on \mathbb{T} ,

and
$$\langle x(t) \rangle := \frac{x(t) + x(\sigma(t))}{2}$$
.

J.L.Cieśliński (2010), "New definitions of exponential, hyperbolic and trigonometric functions on time scales", *preprint* arXiv: 1003.0697 [math.CA].

Continuous case

$$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R} \quad \Rightarrow \quad E_{\alpha}(t) = \exp \int_{0}^{t} \alpha(\tau) d\tau.$$

Discrete case

$$\mathbb{T}=h\mathbb{Z},\; \alpha=\mathrm{const}, \quad \Rightarrow \quad E_{\alpha}(t)=\left(rac{1+rac{1}{2n}tlpha}{1-rac{1}{2n}tlpha}
ight)^{n}\;,\;\;t=nh.$$

Similar formulas (discrete case): Ferrand (1944), Duffin (1956), Zeilberger, Dym (1977), Date, Jimbo, Miwa (1982), Nijhoff, Quispel, Capel (1983), Iserles (2001), Mercat (2001).

Cayley-exponential (C-exponential) function E_{α} is given by

$$E_{\alpha}(t,t_0) := \exp\left(\int_{t_0}^t \zeta_{\mu(s)}(\alpha(s))\Delta s\right), \quad E_{\alpha}(t) := E_{\alpha}(t,0),$$

where α $(\alpha: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C})$ is *regressive* (i.e., $\mu\alpha \neq \pm 2$) and rd-continuous, and

$$\zeta_{\mu}(z) := \frac{1}{\mu} \log \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}z\mu}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z\mu}$$
, $\zeta_{0}(z) := z$, $\left(z = \frac{2}{h} \tanh \frac{h\zeta}{2}\right)$.

Classical Cayley transformation: $z \to \text{cay}(z,a) = \frac{1+az}{1-az}$ maps the imaginary axis into the unit circle.

Properties of the Cayley-exponential function:

1.
$$E_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma}, t_0) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\alpha(t)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\alpha(t)} E_{\alpha}(t, t_0)$$

2.
$$\overline{E_{\alpha}(t,t_0)} = E_{\bar{\alpha}}(t,t_0)$$
, $(E_{\alpha}(t,t_0))^{-1} = E_{-\alpha}(t,t_0)$

3.
$$E_{\alpha}(t,t_0) E_{\alpha}(t_0,t_1) = E_{\alpha}(t,t_1)$$

4.
$$E_{\alpha}(t, t_0)$$
 $E_{\beta}(t, t_0) = E_{\alpha \oplus \beta}(t, t_0)$

where
$$t^{\sigma} \equiv \sigma(t)$$
 and $\alpha \oplus \beta := \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 + \frac{1}{4}\mu^2\alpha\beta}$.

"Lorentz velocity transformation", $\frac{2}{\mu}$ is an analogue of the speed of light.

4. C-hyperbolic and C-trigonometric functions.

$$\label{eq:cosh} \operatorname{Cosh}_{\alpha}(t) := \frac{E_{\alpha}(t) + E_{-\alpha}(t)}{2} \;, \quad \operatorname{Sinh}_{\alpha}(t) := \frac{E_{\alpha}(t) - E_{-\alpha}(t)}{2} \;,$$

$$\operatorname{Cos}_{\omega}(t) := \frac{E_{i\omega}(t) + E_{-i\omega}(t)}{2}, \quad \operatorname{Sin}_{\omega}(t) := \frac{E_{i\omega}(t) - E_{-i\omega}(t)}{2i}.$$

C-exponential function satisfies;

$$(E_{\alpha}(t))^{-1} = E_{-\alpha}(t) , \quad E_{\bar{\alpha}}(t) = \overline{E_{\alpha}(t)}.$$

Therefore, $\operatorname{Re}\alpha(t) \equiv 0 \Rightarrow |E_{\alpha}(t)| \equiv 1$,

which implies good properties of C-trigonometric functions.

Theorem.

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{Cosh}_{\alpha}^{2}(t) - \operatorname{Sinh}_{\alpha}^{2}(t) = 1 \ , \\ & \operatorname{Cosh}_{\alpha}^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha(t) \ \langle \operatorname{Sinh}_{\alpha}(t) \rangle \ , \quad \operatorname{Sinh}_{\alpha}^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha(t) \ \langle \operatorname{Cosh}_{\alpha}(t) \rangle \ , \\ & \operatorname{Cos}_{\omega}^{2}(t) + \operatorname{Sin}_{\omega}^{2}(t) = 1 \ , \\ & \operatorname{Cos}_{\omega}^{\Delta}(t) = -\omega(t) \ \langle \operatorname{Sin}_{\omega}(t) \rangle \ , \quad \operatorname{Sin}_{\omega}^{\Delta}(t) = \omega(t) \ \langle \operatorname{Cos}_{\omega}(t) \rangle \ , \end{split}$$

Theorem. If $\omega(t) = \text{const}$, then Cayley-sine and Cayley-cosine functions satisfy the equation ("harmonic oscillator on time scales"):

$$x^{\Delta\Delta} + \omega^2 \langle \langle x(t) \rangle \rangle = 0$$
, $\left(\langle \langle x(t) \rangle \rangle \equiv \frac{x^{\sigma\sigma} + 2x^{\sigma} + x}{4} \right)$.

5. \mathbb{T} -analogues of ODE motivated by numerical schemes

We consider a general ODE:

$$\dot{x}=f(x,t)$$
 , $t\in\mathbb{T}$, $x(t)\in\mathbb{C}^N$, $f(x(t),t)\in\mathbb{C}^N$

Standard time scales analogues:

Forward (explicit) Euler scheme
$$x^{\Delta}(t) = f(x(t), t)$$

Backward (implicit) Euler scheme
$$x^{\nabla}(t) = f(x(t), t)$$

What about other numerical schemes? ...

Trapezoidal rule (notation:
$$x = x(t)$$
, $x^{\sigma} = x(t^{\sigma})$)

autonomous case:
$$x^{\Delta} = \frac{1}{2} (f(x) + f(x^{\sigma}))$$

general case:
$$x^{\Delta} = \frac{1}{4} \left(f(x,t) + f(x^{\sigma},t) + f(x,t^{\sigma}) + f(x^{\sigma},t^{\sigma}) \right)$$

Remark.
$$f(x,t) = \alpha(t) x \Rightarrow x^{\Delta} = \langle \alpha \rangle \langle x \rangle$$

Yet more symmetric definition of the exponential function!

Implicit midpoint rule

autonomous case
$$x^{\Delta} = f\left(\frac{x + x^{\sigma}}{2}\right)$$

general case:
$$x^{\Delta} = \frac{1}{2} \left(f\left(\frac{x+x^{\sigma}}{2}, t\right) + f\left(\frac{x+x^{\sigma}}{2}, t^{\sigma}\right) \right)$$
 (?)

Discrete gradient method (a simplest case)

Hamiltonian H(p,q) = T(p) + V(q) yields $\dot{q} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial p}$, $\dot{p} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial q}$.

 \mathbb{T} -analogue:

$$q^{\Delta} = \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta p} , \qquad p^{\Delta} = -\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta q} .$$

where the "discrete gradient" is defined as

$$\frac{\Delta T}{\Delta p}(p) := \lim_{P \to p} \frac{T(p^{\sigma}) - T(P)}{p^{\sigma} - P}, \qquad \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta q}(q) := \lim_{Q \to q} \frac{V(q^{\sigma}) - V(Q)}{q^{\sigma} - Q}.$$

Theorem. On any time scale: T(p) + V(q) = const.

Classical harmonic oscillator
$$\ddot{q} + \omega_0^2 q = 0$$
, $q(t) \in \mathbb{R}$,

Implicit midpoint, trapezoidal and discrete gradient schemes yield the following \mathbb{T} -analogue of harmonic oscillator:

$$q^{\Delta\Delta} + \omega_0^2 \langle \langle q \rangle \rangle = 0$$
 $\langle \langle q \rangle \rangle := \frac{q^{\sigma\sigma} + 2q^{\sigma} + q}{4}$.

Solutions: C-sine and C-cosine functions (very good qualitative properties: bounded, often oscillatory-like).

Of course, all these schemes yield different results for other, nonlinear, equations.

6.1. New q-exponential function \mathcal{E}_q^x is defined as

$$\mathcal{E}_q^x := e_q^{\frac{x}{2}} E_q^{\frac{x}{2}} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 + q^k (1 - q) \frac{x}{2}}{1 - q^k (1 - q) \frac{x}{2}} ,$$

where e_q^x , E_q^x are standard q-exponential functions

Theorem:

$$\mathcal{E}_q^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{\{n\}!} ,$$

$$\{n\} := \frac{1+q+\ldots+q^{n-1}}{\frac{1}{2}(1+q^{n-1})} \equiv \frac{[n]}{\frac{1}{2}(1+q^{n-1})}.$$

New *q***-trigonometric functions** motivated by the Cayley transformation

$$Sin_q x = \frac{\mathcal{E}_q^{ix} - \mathcal{E}_q^{-ix}}{2i}$$
, $Cos_q x = \frac{\mathcal{E}_q^{ix} + \mathcal{E}_q^{-ix}}{2}$.

Properties:

$$Cos_q^2x + Sin_q^2x = 1 ,$$

$$D_q Sin_q x = \langle Cos_q x \rangle ,$$

$$D_q \mathcal{C}os_q x = -\langle \mathcal{S}in_q x \rangle ,$$

where D_q (q-derivative) is defined by $D_q f(x) := \frac{f(qx) - f(q)}{qx - x}$,

and
$$\langle f(x) \rangle := \frac{f(x) + f(qx)}{2}$$
.

6.2. Padé-analogues of the exponential function on ${\mathbb T}$

Padé approximant of e^x is a rational function $R_{j,k}(x) = \frac{P_j(x)}{Q_k(x)}$, where orders j,k are given, which agrees with e^x (at x=0) to the highest possible order.

- $E_{1,0}^{\alpha}(t,t_0)=e_{\alpha}(t,t_0)$ delta exponential function
- $E_{0,1}^{\alpha}(t,t_0) = \hat{e}_{\alpha}(t,t_0)$ nabla exponential function
- $E_{1,1}^{\alpha}(t,t_0) = E_{\alpha}(t,t_0)$ Cayley-exponential function
- $E_{2,2}^{\alpha}(t^{\sigma}, t_0) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}\alpha\mu + \frac{1}{12}(\alpha\mu)^2}{1 \frac{1}{2}\alpha\mu + \frac{1}{12}(\alpha\mu)^2} E_{2,2}^{\alpha}(t, t_0) \text{, which satisfies:}$ $x^{\Delta} = \frac{\alpha}{1 + \frac{1}{12}(\alpha\mu)^2} \langle x \rangle \text{,} \qquad x^{\Delta} = \frac{\alpha}{1 \frac{1}{2}\alpha\mu + \frac{1}{12}(\alpha\mu)^2} x, \quad (x = E_{2,2}^{\alpha}).$
- Similarly: $E_{j,k}^{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t_0)$ (with "good" trigonometry for k=j).

6.3. Exact analogues of elementary/special functions on \mathbb{T}

Given $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$, we define its **exact analogue** $\tilde{f}: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C}$ as $\tilde{f}:=f|_{\mathbb{T}}$, i.e.,

$$\tilde{f}(t) := f(t) \quad (\text{for } t \in \mathbb{T}) .$$

The path $f \to \tilde{f}$ is obvious and unique, but how to find f corresponding to a given \tilde{f} ? For example, which function $a: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$ corresponds to a given function $\alpha: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C}$? The answer is obvious if $\alpha = \text{const.}$ What about other cases?

Exact exponential function on ${\mathbb T}$

Assumption: $\alpha = \text{const} \in \mathbb{C}$.

Definition.
$$E_{\alpha}^{ex}(t,t_0) := e^{\alpha(t-t_0)}$$
.

Theorem. The exact exponential function $E_{\alpha}^{ex}(t,t_0)$ satisfies

$$x^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha \ \psi_{\alpha}(t) \ \langle x(t) \rangle \ , \qquad x(t_0) = 1 \ ,$$

where $\psi_{\alpha}(t) = 1$ for right-dense points and

$$\psi_{\alpha}(t) = \frac{2}{\alpha\mu(t)} \tanh \frac{\alpha\mu(t)}{2}$$

for right-scattered points.

6.4. Dynamic systems on Lie groups

Natural generalizations of the Cayley transform:

- ullet Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} o ($ "quadratic") Lie group G,
- anti-Hermitean operators → unitary operators.

Lemma.
$$A \in \mathfrak{g} \Rightarrow (I - A)^{-1}(I + A) \in G$$
.

The dynamic system
$$\Phi^{\Delta}=A\langle\Phi\rangle$$
, i.e., $\Phi^{\sigma}=\frac{I+\frac{1}{2}\mu A}{I-\frac{1}{2}\mu A}\Phi$ is a natural \mathbb{T} -analogue of $\frac{d}{dt}\Phi=A\Phi$ (here $A\in\mathfrak{g},\ \Phi\in G$)

Another approach: J.L.Cieśliński (2007), "Pseudospherical surfaces on time scales: a geometric definition and the spectral approach", **J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 40** (2007) 12525-12538.

6.5. Sine-Gordon equation on time scales

Discrete case:
$$\frac{\sin(\frac{1}{4}\mu_x\mu_y\Phi^{\Delta_x\Delta_y})}{\frac{1}{4}\mu_x\mu_y} = \sin\langle\Phi\rangle ,$$

$$\langle \Phi \rangle := \frac{\Phi^{\sigma_x \sigma_y} + \Phi^{\sigma_x} + \Phi^{\sigma_y} + \Phi}{4}$$
. Extension on any \mathbb{T} : soon.

Lax pair: $\Psi^{\Delta_x} = U\Psi$, $\Psi^{\Delta_y} = V\Psi$, where U is linear in λ , V is linear in λ^{-1} .

- J.L.Cieśliński, "Pseudospherical surfaces on time scales...",
- **J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 40** (2007) 12525-12538.

Open problem: to extend the Ablowitz-Ladik spectral problem on time scales.

7. Conclusions and future directions

- Differential equations have no unique 'natural' time scales analogues. It is worthwhile to consider different numerical schemes in this context.
- Dynamic systems preserving integrals of motion and Lyapunov functions (discrete gradient method).
- Inequalities of Gronwall type.
- New developments in the q-calculus (e.g., modifications of q-gamma function and of the Jackson integral).
- Laplace and Fourier transformations.
- Locally exact T-analogues of elementary functions.

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Exponential function

Exponential function on \mathbb{T} (Hilger, 1990)

$$e_{\alpha}(t, t_0) := \exp\left(\int_{t_0}^t \xi_{\mu(s)}(\alpha(s)) \Delta s\right) ,$$

$$e_{\alpha}(t) := e_{\alpha}(t, 0) ,$$

where

$$\xi_{\mu}(z) := \frac{1}{\mu} \log(1 + z\mu)$$
 (for $\mu > 0$) $\xi_{0}(z) := z$.

Assumption: α is μ -regressive (i.e., $\mu\alpha \neq -1$) and rd-continuous.

Properties of Hilger's exponential function:

1.
$$e_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma}, t_0) = (1 + \mu(t)\alpha(t)) e_{\alpha}(t, t_0)$$
,

2.
$$(e_{\alpha}(t,t_0))^{-1} = e_{\ominus}^{\mu}(t,t_0)$$
,

3.
$$e_{\alpha}(t,t_0)$$
 $e_{\alpha}(t_0,t_1) = e_{\alpha}(t,t_1)$,

4.
$$e_{\alpha}(t,t_{0}) \ e_{\beta}(t,t_{0}) = e_{\alpha \oplus^{\mu}\beta}(t,t_{0})$$

where α, β rd-continuous and μ -regressive, $t^{\sigma} \equiv \sigma(t)$,

$$\alpha \oplus^{\mu} \beta := \alpha + \beta + \mu \alpha \beta$$
 and $\ominus^{\mu} \alpha := \frac{-\alpha}{1 + \mu \alpha}$.

Theorem: $E_{\alpha}(t,t_0)=e_{\beta}(t,t_0)$, if

$$\alpha(t) = \frac{\beta(t)}{1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\beta(t)}, \quad \beta(t) = \frac{\alpha(t)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\alpha(t)}.$$

Proof (sketch). We denote $x(t) = E_{\alpha}(t, t_0)$ and consider a right-scattered t (i.e., $t^{\sigma} \neq t$). Then:

$$x^{\Delta}(t) = \alpha(t)\langle x(t)\rangle \iff \frac{x(t^{\sigma}) - x(t)}{t^{\sigma} - t} = \alpha(t) \frac{x(t^{\sigma}) + x(t)}{2}.$$

Hence (using
$$\mu(t) = t^{\sigma} - t$$
): $x(t^{\sigma}) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\alpha(t)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\alpha(t)} x(t)$.

Therefore,
$$x^{\Delta} = \frac{x(t^{\sigma}) - x(t)}{\mu(t)} = \frac{\alpha(t)x(t)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu(t)\alpha(t)} = \beta(t)x(t)$$
,

which means that $x(t) = e_{\beta}(t, t_0)$.

Numerical advantages of E_{α}

$$E_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu\alpha}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu\alpha} = 1 + \alpha\mu + \frac{1}{2}(\alpha\mu)^{2} + \frac{1}{4}(\alpha\mu)^{3} + \dots ,$$

$$e_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t) = 1 + \alpha \mu ,$$

$$\widehat{e}_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha\mu} = 1 + \alpha\mu + (\alpha\mu)^{2} + \dots$$

Continuous case:

$$\exp(\alpha\mu) = 1 + \alpha\mu + \frac{1}{2}(\alpha\mu)^2 + \frac{1}{6}(\alpha\mu)^3 + \dots$$

Therefore, for $\mu \neq 0$,

 $E_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t)$ is a **second-order approximation** of $\exp(\alpha\mu)$, while $e_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t)$ and $\hat{e}_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma},t)$ are of the first order only.

q-Calculus

Standard q-exponential functions e_q^x , E_q^x

(definitions and notation are much older than the time scales!)

$$e_q^x = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^j}{[j]!} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - (1-q)q^k x)^{-1},$$

$$E_q^x = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{1}{2}j(j-1)} \frac{x^j}{[j]!} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 + (1-q)q^k x) = (e_q^{-x})^{-1} = e_{1/q}^x.$$

where
$$[j]! = [1][2]...[j]$$
, $[j] = 1 + q + ... + q^{j-1}$, i.e.,

$$[j]! = 1 \cdot (1+q) \cdot (1+q+q^2) \cdot \dots \cdot (1+q+\dots+q^{j-1}),$$

$$q^{\frac{1}{2}j(1-j)}[j]! = 1 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{q}\right) \cdot \ldots \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{q} + \ldots + \frac{1}{q^{j-1}}\right).$$

 $q\text{-}\mathsf{Exponentials}$ in terms of exponential functions on $\mathbb{T}=\overline{q^{\mathbb{N}_0}}$

$$q < 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e_q^x = \hat{e}_x(1,0), \quad E_q^x = e_x(1,0),$$
 $q > 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e_q^x = e_x(1,0), \quad E_q^x = \hat{e}_x(1,0),$

$$\mathcal{E}_q^x = E_x(1,0), \quad \mathcal{E}_{1/q}^x = E_x(1,0),$$

Note that
$$\mathcal{E}^x_{1/q} = \mathcal{E}^x_q$$
, $E^x_q = e^x_{1/q}$.

Let
$$\mathbb{T}=q^{\mathbb{N}_0}$$
 $(0< q<1)$, and $lpha(t)=x.$ Then
$$e_x(t)=\prod_{j=k}^\infty \left(1+(1-q)q^jx\right)\,,\quad t=q^k.$$

Standard *q*-trigonometric functions

$$\sin_q x = \frac{e_q^{ix} - e_q^{-ix}}{2i}$$
, $\sin_q x = \frac{E_q^{ix} - E_q^{-ix}}{2i}$,

$$\cos_q x = \frac{e_q^{ix} + e_q^{-ix}}{2}, \quad \cos_q x = \frac{E_q^{ix} + E_q^{-ix}}{2},$$

Properties:

$$\cos_q x \, \cos_q x + \sin_q x \, \sin_q x = 1$$

$$D_q \sin_q x = \cos_q x$$
, $D_q \cos_q x = -\sin_q x$,

$$D_q \operatorname{Sin}_q x = \operatorname{Cos}_q(qx)$$
, $D_q \operatorname{Cos}_q x = -\operatorname{Sin}_q(qx)$.

where
$$D_q$$
 (q-derivative) is defined by $D_q f(x) := \frac{f(qx) - f(q)}{qx - x}$.

Positively regressive functions

Definition. Function $\alpha : \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}$ is called *positively regressive*, if for all $t \in \mathbb{T}^{\kappa}$ we have $|\alpha(t)\mu(t)| < 2$.

Theorem. If $\alpha : \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{R}$ is *rd-continuous* and *positively regressive*, then the Cayley-exponential function E_{α} is positive (i.e., $E_{\alpha}(t) > 0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{T}$).

Theorem. The set of real *positively regressive* functions is an abelian group with respect to the addition \oplus .

Attention. The set of all regressive functions is not closed with respect to the addition \oplus . In order to show this fact it is enough to take α, β such that $\mu^2 \alpha \beta = -4$. Then $\alpha \oplus \beta$ is infinite.

Exact discretization

Modified delta derivative

$$x^{\Delta'_{\alpha}}(t) := \lim_{\substack{s \to t \\ s \neq \sigma(t)}} \frac{x(t^{\sigma}) - x(s)}{\delta_{\alpha}(t^{\sigma} - s)}$$

where $\delta_{\alpha}(\mu) := \frac{2}{\alpha} \tanh \frac{\alpha \mu}{2}$.

Lemma. $x^{\Delta}(t) = \psi_{\alpha}(t)x^{\Delta'_{\alpha}}(t)$.

Lemma. Exact exponential function $E_{\alpha}^{ex}(t,t_0)$ satisfies

$$x^{\Delta'_{\alpha}}(t) = \alpha \langle x(t) \rangle$$
, $x(t_0) = 1$.

This is the **exact discretization** of the equation $\dot{x} = \alpha x$.

Exact analogues of **hyperbolic** and **trigonometric** functions on \mathbb{T} .

$$\begin{split} \cosh^{ex}_{\alpha}(t) &= \frac{E^{ex}_{\alpha}(t) + E^{ex}_{-\alpha}(t)}{2} = \cosh \alpha t \ , \\ \sinh^{ex}_{\alpha}(t) &= \frac{E^{ex}_{\alpha}(t) - E^{ex}_{-\alpha}(t)}{2} = \sinh \alpha t \ . \\ \cos^{ex}_{\omega}(t) &= \frac{E^{ex}_{i\omega}(t) + E^{ex}_{-i\omega}(t)}{2} = \cos \omega t \ , \\ \sin^{ex}_{\omega}(t) &= \frac{E^{ex}_{i\omega}(t) - E^{ex}_{-i\omega}(t)}{2i} = \sin \omega t \ . \end{split}$$

The last two definitions coincide with Hilger's definitions.

These functions satisfy rather complicated dynamic equations which simplify greatly in the case $\mu = \text{const.}$

Exact harmonic oscillator on \mathbb{T} .

If $\mu(t)={\rm const},~\omega(t)={\rm const},~{\rm then}~\cos^{ex}_{\omega}~{\rm and}~\sin^{ex}_{\omega}~{\rm satisfy}$

$$x^{\Delta\Delta}(t) + \omega^2 \phi^2(\omega \mu) \langle \langle x(t) \rangle \rangle = 0 ,$$

or, equivalently,

$$x^{\Delta\Delta}(t) + \omega^2 \left(\operatorname{sinc} \frac{\omega\mu}{2}\right)^2 x(t^{\sigma}) = 0$$
,

where $\operatorname{sinc}(x) := \frac{\sin x}{x}$ (for $x \neq 0$), $\operatorname{sinc}(0) := 1$.

Another equivalent form of this equation reads

$$x^{\Delta''_{\omega}\Delta''_{\omega}}(t) + \omega^2 x(t) = 0.$$

 $x^{\Delta''_{\omega}}$ is another modification of the delta derivative.

$$x^{\Delta''_{\omega}}(t) = \lim_{\substack{s \to t \\ s \neq \sigma(t)}} \frac{x(t^{\sigma}) - x(s)\cos(\omega t^{\sigma} - \omega s)}{\omega^{-1}\sin(\omega t^{\sigma} - \omega s)}.$$

In order to avoid infinite values of $x^{\Delta''_{\omega}}$ we assume $|\omega\mu(t)|<\pi$. All positively regressive constant functions ω obviously satisfy this requirement.

Lemma. If x = x(t) solves the equation $\ddot{x} + \omega^2 x = 0$ (defined for $t \in \mathbb{R}$), then

$$(x(t)|_{t\in\mathbb{T}})^{\Delta''_{\omega}} = \dot{x}(t)|_{t\in\mathbb{T}}.$$

Lemma.

$$x^{\Delta}(t) = \operatorname{sinc}(\omega \mu) \ x^{\Delta''_{\omega}}(t) - \frac{1}{2}\mu \omega^2 \left(\operatorname{sinc}\frac{\omega \mu}{2}\right)^2 x(t) \ .$$