

# An example of generalization of the Bernoulli numbers and polynomials to any dimension

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## Definition:

The numbers  $\mathcal{Z}e^{s_1, \dots, s_r}$  defined by

$$\mathcal{Z}e^{s_1, \dots, s_r} = \sum_{0 < n_r < \dots < n_1} \frac{1}{n_1^{s_1} \dots n_r^{s_r}},$$

where  $s_1, \dots, s_r \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\Re(s_1 + \dots + s_k) > k$ ,  $k \in \llbracket 1; r \rrbracket$ , are called multiple zeta values.

**Fact:** There exists at least three different ways to renormalize multiple zeta values at negative integers.

$$\mathcal{Z}e_{MP}^{0, -2}(0) = \frac{7}{720}, \quad \mathcal{Z}e_{GZ}^{0, -2}(0) = \frac{1}{120}, \quad \mathcal{Z}e_{FKMT}^{0, -2}(0) = \frac{1}{18}.$$

**Question:** Is there a group acting on the set of all possible multiple zeta values renormalisations?

**Main goal:** Define multiple Bernoulli numbers in relation with this.

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# Two Equivalent Definitions of Bernoulli Polynomials / Numbers

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First examples:

$$b_n = 1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}, 0, -\frac{1}{30}, 0, \frac{1}{42}, \dots$$

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$$\begin{aligned} B_0(x) &= 1 , \\ B_1(x) &= x - \frac{1}{2} , \\ B_2(x) &= x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6} , \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

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# On the Hurwitz Zeta Function

## Definition:

The Hurwitz Zeta Function is defined, for  $\Re s > 1$ , and  $z \in \mathbb{C} - \mathbb{N}_{<0}$ , by:

$$\zeta(s, z) = \sum_{n>0} \frac{1}{(n+z)^s} .$$

## Property:

$$\text{H1} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial z}(s, z) = -s\zeta(s+1, z). \\ \zeta(s, x+y) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{-s}{n} \zeta(s+n, x) y^n. \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{H2} \quad \zeta(s, z-1) - \zeta(s, z) = z^{-s}.$$

$$\text{H3} \quad \zeta(s, mz) = m^{-s} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \zeta\left(s, z + \frac{k}{m}\right) \text{ if } m \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$



# Link between the Hurwitz Zeta Function and the Bernoulli polynomials

## Property:

$s \mapsto \zeta(s, z)$  can be analytically extended to a meromorphic function on  $\mathbb{C}$ , with a simple pole located at 1.

**Remark:**  $\zeta(-n, z) = -\frac{B_{n+1}(z)}{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\zeta(-n, 0) = -\frac{b_{n+1}}{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

## Related properties:

	<u>Hurwitz zeta function</u>	<u>Bernoulli polynomials</u>
<i>Derivative property</i>	<b>H1</b>	<b>P4</b>
<i>Difference equation</i>	<b>H2</b>	<b>P5</b>
<i>Multiplication theorem</i>	<b>H3</b>	<b>P9</b>

## Consequence:

The extension from Bernoulli to multiple Bernoulli polynomials will be done using a generalization of the Hurwitz zeta function: the **Hurwitz multiple zeta functions**.

# On Hurwitz Multiple Zeta Functions

## Definition of Hurwitz Multiple Zeta Functions

$$\mathcal{H}e^{s_1, \dots, s_r}(z) = \sum_{0 < n_r < \dots < n_1} \frac{1}{(n_1 + z)^{s_1} \dots (n_r + z)^{s_r}}, \text{ if } z \in \mathbb{C} - \mathbb{N}_{<0} \text{ and } (s_1, \dots, s_r) \in (\mathbb{N}^*)^r, \text{ such that } s_1 \geq 2.$$

## Lemma 1: (B., J. Ecalle, 2012)

For all sequences  $(s_1, \dots, s_r) \in (\mathbb{N}^*)^r$ ,  $s_1 \geq 2$ , we have:

$$\mathcal{H}e^{s_1, \dots, s_r}(z-1) - \mathcal{H}e^{s_1, \dots, s_r}(z) = \mathcal{H}e^{s_1, \dots, s_r-1}(z) \cdot z^{-s_r}.$$

## Lemma 2:

The Hurwitz Multiple Zeta Functions multiply by the stuffle product (of  $\mathbb{N}^*$ ).

**Reminder:** If  $(\Omega, +)$  is a semi-group, the stuffle  $\sqcup$  is defined over  $\Omega^*$  by:

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon \sqcup u &= u \sqcup \varepsilon = u. \\ ua \sqcup vb &= (u \sqcup vb)a + (ua \sqcup v)b + (u \sqcup v)(a+b). \end{cases}$$

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## Definition:

Let  $x = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$  be an infinite commutative alphabet.

A series is said to be quasi-symmetric when its coefficient of  $x_1^{s_1} \cdots x_r^{s_r}$  is equal to this of  $x_{i_1}^{s_1} \cdots x_{i_r}^{s_r}$  for all  $i_1 < \cdots < i_r$ .

**Example :**  $M_{2,1}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = x_1^2 x_2 + x_1^2 x_3 + \cdots + x_1^2 x_n + \cdots + x_2^2 x_3 + \cdots$   
 $x_1 x_2^2$  is not in  $M_{2,1}$  but in  $M_{1,2}$ .

**Fact 1:**

- Quasi-symmetric functions span a vector space:  $QSym$ .
- A basis of  $QSym$  is given by the monomials  $M_I$ , for composition  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_r)$ :

$$M_{i_1, \dots, i_r}(X) = \sum_{0 < n_1 < \cdots < n_r} x_{n_1}^{i_1} \cdots x_{n_r}^{i_r}$$

**Fact 2:**

- $QSym$  is an algebra whose product is the stuffle product.
- $QSym$  is also a Hopf algebra whose coproduct  $\Delta$  is given by:

$$\Delta(M_{i_1, \dots, i_r}(x)) = \sum_{k=0}^r M_{i_1, \dots, i_k}(x) \otimes M_{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_r}(x) .$$

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## Heuristic:

$$B^{s_1, \dots, s_r}(z) = \text{Multiple (Divided) Bernoulli Polynomials} = \mathcal{H}e^{-s_1, \dots, -s_r}(z) .$$

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We want to define  $B^{s_1, \dots, s_r}(z)$  such that:

- their properties are similar to Hurwitz Multiple Zeta Functions' properties.
- their properties generalize these of Bernoulli polynomials.

## Main Goal:

Find some polynomials  $B^{s_1, \dots, s_r}$  such that:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B^n(z) = \frac{B_{n+1}(z)}{n+1} , \text{ where } n \geq 0 , \\ B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z+1) - B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z) = B^{n_1, \dots, n_{r-1}}(z)z^{n_r} , \text{ for } n_1, \dots, n_r \geq 0 , \\ \text{the } B^{n_1, \dots, n_r} \text{ multiply by the stuffle product.} \end{array} \right.$$

## Notation 1:

Let  $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n, \dots\}$  be a (commutative) alphabet of indeterminates. We denote:

$$\mathcal{B}^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(z) = \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_r \geq 0} B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z) \frac{Y_1^{n_1}}{n_1!} \cdots \frac{Y_r^{n_r}}{n_r!},$$

for all  $r \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $Y_1, \dots, Y_r \in X$ .

**Remark:**  $\mathcal{B}^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(z+1) - \mathcal{B}^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(z) = \mathcal{B}^{Y_1, \dots, Y_{r-1}}(z) e^{zY_r}$ .

## Notation 2:

Let  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n, \dots\}$  be a non-commutative alphabet. We denote:

$$\mathfrak{B}(z) = 1 + \sum_{r > 0} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} \mathcal{B}^{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_r}}(z) a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \in \mathbb{C}[z][[X]] \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle.$$

**Remark:**  $\mathfrak{B}(z+1) = \mathfrak{B}(z) \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{k > 0} e^{zX_k} a_k\right)$

# The abstract construction in the case of quasi-symmetric functions

Let see an analogue of  $\mathfrak{B}(z)$  where the multiple Bernoulli polynomials are replaced with the monomial functions  $M_l(x)$  of *QSym*:

$$M^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(x) := \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_r \geq 0} M_{n_1+1, \dots, n_r+1}(x) \frac{Y_1^{n_1}}{n_1!} \cdots \frac{Y_r^{n_r}}{n_r!}, \text{ for all } Y_1, \dots, Y_r \in X.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M} &:= 1 + \sum_{r > 0} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} M^{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_r}}(x) a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \\ &= 1 + \sum_{r > 0} \sum_{0 < p_1 < \dots < p_r} \prod_{i=1}^r \left( 1 + \sum_{k > 0} x_n e^{x_n X_k} a_k \right) M^{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_r}}(x) \\ &\xrightarrow{\quad} \prod_{n > 0} \left( 1 + \sum_{k > 0} x_n e^{x_n X_k} a_k \right) \in \mathbb{C}[[x]][[X]] \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

**Computation of the coproduct of  $\mathfrak{M}$ :** (which does not act on the  $X$ 's)

$$\Delta M^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^r M^{Y_1, \dots, Y_k}(x) \otimes M^{Y_{k+1}, \dots, Y_r}(x).$$

$$\Delta \mathfrak{M} = \mathfrak{M} \otimes \mathfrak{M}.$$



Property: (J. Y. Thibon, F. Chapoton, J. Ecalle, F. Menous, D. Sauzin, ...)

A family of objects  $(B^{n_1, \dots, n_r})_{n_1, n_2, n_3, \dots \geq 0}$  multiply by the stuffle product if, and only if, there exists a character  $\chi_z$  of  $QSym$  such that

$$\chi_z(M_{n_1+1, \dots, n_r+1}(x)) = B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z) \quad (1)$$

## Consequences:

1.  $\chi_z$  can be extended to  $QSym[[X]]$ , applying it terms by terms.

$$\chi_z(M^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(x)) = B^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(z), \text{ for all } Y_1, \dots, Y_r \in X.$$

2. If  $B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}$  multiply the stuffle,  $\mathfrak{B} = \chi_z(\mathfrak{M})$  is “group-like” in  $\mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$ .

## Reformulation of the main goal

Find some polynomials  $B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}$  such that:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle \mathfrak{B}(z) | a_k \rangle = \frac{e^{zX_k}}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k} , \\ \mathfrak{B}(z+1) = \mathfrak{B}(z) \cdot \mathfrak{E}(z) , \text{ where } \mathfrak{E}(z) = 1 + \sum_{k>0} e^{zX_k} a_k , \\ \mathfrak{B} \text{ is a "group-like" element of } \mathbb{C}[z][[X]] \langle\langle A \rangle\rangle . \end{array} \right.$$

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# A singular solution

**Remainder:**  $\mathfrak{E}(z) = 1 + \sum_{k>0} e^{zX_k} a_k.$

From a false solution to a singular solution...

$$\mathcal{S}(z) = \prod_{n>0}^{\leftarrow} \mathfrak{E}(z-n) = 1 + \sum_{r>0} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} \frac{e^{z(X_{k_1} + \dots + X_{k_r})}}{\prod_{i=1}^r (e^{X_{k_i}} - 1)} a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \text{ is a}$$

false solution to system  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle \mathfrak{B}(z) | a_k \rangle = \frac{e^{zX_k}}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k}, \\ \mathfrak{B}(z+1) = \mathfrak{B}(z) \cdot \mathfrak{E}(z), \\ \mathfrak{B} \text{ is a "group-like" element of } \mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle. \end{array} \right.$

**Explanations:**

- $$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}(z) &= \cdots = \mathfrak{B}(z-n) \cdot \mathfrak{E}(z-n) \cdots \mathfrak{E}(z-1) \\ &= \cdots = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \mathfrak{B}(z-n) \right) \cdot \prod_{n>0}^{\leftarrow} \mathfrak{E}(z-n). \end{aligned}$$

- $$\mathcal{S}(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]((X))\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle, \mathcal{S}(z) \notin \mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle.$$

**Heuristic:** Find a correction of  $\mathcal{S}$ , to send it into  $\mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle.$

**Fact:** If  $\Delta(f)(z) = f(z-1) - f(z)$ ,  $\ker \Delta \cap z\mathbb{C}[z] = \{0\}$ .

**Consequence:** There exist a unique family of polynomials such that:

$$\begin{cases} B_0^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z+1) - B_0^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z) = B_0^{n_1, \dots, n_{r-1}}(z)z^{n_r} . \\ B_0^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(0) = 0 . \end{cases}$$

This produces a series  $\mathfrak{B}_0 \in \mathbb{C}[z][\![X]\!]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$  defined by:

$$\mathfrak{B}_0(z) = 1 + \sum_{r>0} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} B_0^{x_{k_1}, \dots, x_{k_r}}(z) a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} .$$

Lemma: (B., 2013)

- 1 The noncommutative series  $\mathfrak{B}_0$  is a “group-like” element of  $\mathbb{C}[z][\![X]\!]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$ .
- 2 The coefficients of  $\mathfrak{B}_0(z)$  satisfy a recurrence relation:

$$\begin{cases} B_0^{Y_1}(z) = \frac{e^{zY_1} - 1}{e^{Y_1} - 1} , \quad Y_1 \in X . \\ B_0^{Y_1, \dots, Y_r}(z) = \frac{B_0^{Y_1+Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_r}(z) - B_0^{Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_r}(z)}{e^{Y_1} - 1} , \quad Y_1, \dots, Y_r \in X . \end{cases}$$

- 3 The series  $\mathfrak{B}_0$  can be expressed in terms of  $\mathcal{S}$ :  $\mathfrak{B}_0(z) = (\mathcal{S}(0))^{-1} \cdot \mathcal{S}(z)$ .

# Characterization of the set of solutions

**Reminder:** A family of multiple Bernoulli polynomials produces a series  $\mathfrak{B}$  such that:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathfrak{B}(z+1) = \mathfrak{B}(z) \cdot \mathfrak{E}(z) , \text{ where } \mathfrak{E}(z) = 1 + \sum_{k>0} e^{zX_k} a_k , \\ \mathfrak{B} \text{ is a "group-like" element of } \mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle , \\ \langle \mathfrak{B}(z) | a_k \rangle = \frac{e^{zX_k}}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k} . \end{array} \right.$$

**Proposition:** (B. 2013)

Any family of polynomials which are solution of the previous system comes from a noncommutative series  $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$  such that there exists  $\mathfrak{b} \in \mathbb{C}[[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$  satisfying:

1.  $\langle \mathfrak{b} | A_k \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k}$
2.  $\mathfrak{b}$  is "group-like"
3.  $\mathfrak{B}(z) = \mathfrak{b} \cdot \mathfrak{B}_0 = \mathfrak{b} \cdot (\mathcal{S}(0))^{-1} \cdot \mathcal{S}(z) .$

**Theorem:** (B., 2013)

The subgroup of "group-like" series of  $\mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$ , with vanishing coefficients in length 1, acts on the set of all possible multiple Bernoulli polynomials, *i.e.* on the set of all possible *algebraic* renormalization.

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## New Goal:

From  $\mathfrak{B}(z) = \mathfrak{b} \cdot \mathfrak{B}_0$ , determine a suitable series  $\mathfrak{b}$  such that the reflexion formula

$$(-1)^n B_n(1-z) = B_n(z), n \in \mathbb{N}$$

has a nice generalization.

For a generic series  $s \in \mathbb{C}[z][\mathbf{X}]\langle\langle \mathbf{A} \rangle\rangle$ ,

$$s(z) = \sum_{r \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} s^{X_{k_1}, \dots, X_{k_r}}(z) a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r},$$

we consider:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{s}(z) &= \sum_{r \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} s^{X_{k_r}, \dots, X_{k_1}}(z) a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \\ \tilde{s}(z) &= \sum_{r \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} s^{-X_{k_1}, \dots, -X_{k_r}}(z) a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \end{aligned}$$



# The reflection equation for $\mathfrak{B}_0(z)$

Proposition: (B. 2014)

Let  $sg = 1 + \sum_{r>0} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} (-1)^r a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} = \left(1 + \sum_{n>0} a_n\right)^{-1}$ . Then,

$$\tilde{S}(0) = (\bar{S}(0))^{-1} \cdot sg \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{S}(1-z) = (\bar{S}(z))^{-1}.$$

Corollary 1: (B. 2014)

For all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have:  $sg \cdot \tilde{\mathfrak{B}}_0(1-z) = (\overline{\mathfrak{B}}_0(z))^{-1}$ .

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_0^{-X, -Y, -Z}(1-z) &= -\mathcal{B}_0^{X, Y, Z}(z) - \mathcal{B}_0^{X+Y, Z}(z) - \mathcal{B}_0^{X, Y+Z}(z) \\ &\quad - \mathcal{B}_0^{X+Y+Z}(z) + \mathcal{B}_0^{Y, Z}(z) + \mathcal{B}_0^{Y+Z}(z). \end{aligned}$$

# The generalization of the reflection formula

Corollary 2: (B. 2014)

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}(1-z) \cdot \overline{\mathfrak{B}}(z) = \tilde{\mathfrak{b}} \cdot sg^{-1} \cdot \bar{\mathfrak{b}} . \quad (2)$$

**Remark:**  $\tilde{S}(0) \cdot sg^{-1} \cdot \overline{S}(0) = 1$ .

Heuristic:

A reasonable candidate for a multi-Bernoulli polynomial comes from the coefficients of a series  $\mathfrak{B}(z) = \mathfrak{b} \cdot \mathfrak{B}_0(z)$  where  $\mathfrak{b}$  satisfies:

1.  $\langle \mathfrak{b} | a_k \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k}$
2.  $\mathfrak{b}$  is “group-like”
3.  $\tilde{\mathfrak{b}} \cdot sg^{-1} \cdot \bar{\mathfrak{b}} = 1$  .

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**Goal:** Characterise the solutions of  $\begin{cases} \tilde{u} \cdot sg^{-1} \cdot \bar{u} = 1 . \\ u \text{ is "group-like"} . \end{cases}$

Proposition: (B., 2014)

Let us denote  $\sqrt{sg^{-1}} = 1 + \sum_{r>0} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} \frac{(-1)^r}{2^{2r}} \binom{2r}{r} a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \dots$

Any "group-like" solution  $u$  of  $\tilde{u} \cdot sg^{-1} \cdot \bar{u} = 1$  comes from a "primitive" series  $\mathfrak{v}$  satisfying

$$\bar{\mathfrak{v}} + \tilde{\mathfrak{v}} = 0 ,$$

and is given by:

$$u = \exp(\mathfrak{v}) \cdot \sqrt{sg} .$$

If moreover  $\langle u | a_k \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k}$ , then necessarily, we have:

$$\langle \mathfrak{v} | a_k \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k} + \frac{1}{2} := f(X_k) .$$

# The choice of a series $\mathfrak{v}$

**New goal:** Find a nice series  $\mathfrak{v}$  satisfying:

1.  $\mathfrak{v}$  is “primitive”.      2.  $\bar{\mathfrak{v}} + \tilde{\mathfrak{v}} = 0$ .      3.  $\langle \mathfrak{v} | a_k \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{X_k} - 1} - \frac{1}{X_k} + \frac{1}{2} = f(X_k)$ .

**Remark:**  $\langle \mathfrak{v} | a_k \rangle$  is an odd formal series in  $X_k \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Generalization:**  $\tilde{\mathfrak{v}} = -\mathfrak{v}$ , so  $\bar{\mathfrak{v}} = \mathfrak{v}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathfrak{v} | a_{k_1} a_{k_2} \rangle = -\frac{1}{2} f(X_{k_1} + X_{k_2}), \text{ but does not determine } \langle \mathfrak{v} | a_{k_1} a_{k_2} a_{k_3} \rangle.$$

A restrictive condition:

A natural condition is to have:

$$\text{there exists } \alpha_r \in \mathbb{C} \text{ such that } \langle \mathfrak{v} | a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \rangle = \alpha_r f(X_{k_1} + \cdots + X_{k_r}).$$

Now, there is a unique “primitive” series  $\mathfrak{v}$  satisfying this condition and the new goal:

$$\langle \mathfrak{v} | a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \rangle = \frac{(-1)^{r-1}}{r} f(X_{k_1} + \cdots + X_{k_r}).$$

## Definition : (B., 2014)

The series  $\mathfrak{B}(z)$  and  $\mathfrak{b}$  defined by

$$\begin{cases} \mathfrak{B}(z) &= \exp(\mathfrak{v}) \cdot \sqrt{Sg} \cdot (S(0))^{-1} \cdot S(z) \\ \mathfrak{b} &= \exp(\mathfrak{v}) \cdot \sqrt{Sg} \end{cases}$$

are noncommutative series of  $\mathbb{C}[z][[X]]\langle\langle A \rangle\rangle$  whose coefficients are respectively the exponential generating functions of multiple Bernoulli polynomials and multiple Bernoulli numbers.

## Example:

The exponential generating function of bi-Bernoulli polynomials and numbers are respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n_1, n_2 \geq 0} B^{n_1, n_2}(z) \frac{X^{n_1}}{n_1!} \frac{Y^{n_2}}{n_2!} &= -\frac{1}{2}f(X+Y) + \frac{1}{2}f(X)f(Y) - \frac{1}{2}f(X) + \frac{3}{8} \\ &+ f(X) \frac{e^{zY} - 1}{e^Y - 1} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{zY} - 1}{e^Y - 1} \\ &+ \frac{e^{z(X+Y)} - 1}{(e^X - 1)(e^{X+Y} - 1)} - \frac{e^{zY} - 1}{(e^X - 1)(e^Y - 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

## Examples of explicit expression for multiple Bernoulli numbers:

Consequently, we obtain explicit expressions like, for  $n_1, n_2, n_3 > 0$ :

$$b^{n_1, n_2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{b_{n_1+1}}{n_1+1} \frac{b_{n_2+1}}{n_2+1} - \frac{b_{n_1+n_2+1}}{n_1+n_2+1} \right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} b^{n_1, n_2, n_3} &= + \frac{1}{6} \frac{b_{n_1+1}}{n_1+1} \frac{b_{n_2+1}}{n_2+1} \frac{b_{n_3+1}}{n_3+1} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{b_{n_1+n_2+1}}{n_1+n_2+1} \frac{b_{n_3+1}}{n_3+1} + \frac{b_{n_1+1}}{n_1+1} \frac{b_{n_2+n_3+1}}{n_2+n_3+1} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{3} \frac{b_{n_1+n_2+n_3+1}}{n_1+n_2+n_3+1}. \end{aligned}$$

**Remark:** If  $n_1 = 0$ ,  $n_2 = 0$  or  $n_3 = 0$ , the expressions are not so simple...

# Table of Multiple Bernoulli Numbers in length 2

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# Properties satisfied by multiple Bernoulli polynomials 1

Proposition: (B., 2013)

The multiple Bernoulli polynomials  $B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}$  multiply the stuffle.

Theorem: (B., 2014)

**P'1** All multiple Bernoulli numbers satisfy :  $b^{2p_1, \dots, 2p_r} = 0$  .

**P'2** If  $n_r > 0$ ,  $B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(0) = B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(1)$  .

**P'5**  $B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z+1) - B^{n_1, \dots, n_r}(z) = B^{n_1, \dots, n_r-1}(z) \cdot z^{n_r}$  .

**P'6** There exists a reflexion formula for multiple Bernoulli polynoms:  
 $\widetilde{\mathfrak{B}}(1-z) \cdot \overline{\mathfrak{B}}(z) = 1$  .

**P'7** The truncated multiple sums of powers  $S_N^{s_1, \dots, s_r}$ , defined by

$$S_N^{s_1, \dots, s_r} = \sum_{0 \leq n_r < \dots < n_1 < N} n_1^{s_1} \dots n_r^{s_r}$$

are given by the coefficients of  $\mathfrak{B}_0(N)$  .



## Properties satisfied by multiple Bernoulli polynomials 2

Proposition: (B. 2014)

For all positive integers  $n_1, \dots, n_r$ ,  $b^{n_1, \dots, n_r} = b^{n_r, \dots, n_1}$ .

Proposition: (B., 2014)

For a series  $s(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z][\mathbf{X}][\langle \mathbf{A} \rangle]$ , let us define  $\Delta(s)(z)$  by:

$$\Delta(s)(z) = \sum_{r \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r > 0} X_{k_1} \cdots X_{k_r} \langle s(z) | a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r} \rangle a_{k_1} \cdots a_{k_r}.$$

$\Delta$  is a derivation, and :

**P'4** The derivation of multiple Bernoulli polynomials are given by:

$$\partial_z \mathfrak{B}(z) = \Delta \left( \mathfrak{b} \cdot S(0)^{-1} \right) \cdot \left( \mathfrak{b} \cdot S(0)^{-1} \right)^{-1} \cdot \mathfrak{B}(z) + \Delta(\mathfrak{B}(z)).$$

Proposition: (B., 2015)

**P'3** The recurrence relation of bi-Bernoulli numbers is (partially) given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \left( \sum_{k=0}^p \sum_{l=0}^q \binom{p}{k} \binom{q}{l} be^{k,l} - be^{p,q} \right) = \\
 \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p+1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{q+1} \right) \\
 + \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p+1} \right) be^q + be^p \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{q+1} \right) \\
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 - be^p + \frac{3}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

if  $p, q > 0$ .

1. We have respectively defined the Multiple (divided) Bernoulli Polynomials and Multiple (divided) Bernoulli Numbers by:

$$\begin{cases} \mathfrak{B}(z) &= \exp(\mathfrak{v}) \cdot \sqrt{Sg} \cdot (S(0))^{-1} \cdot S(z) \\ \mathfrak{b} &= \exp(\mathfrak{v}) \cdot \sqrt{Sg} \end{cases}$$

They both multiply the stuffle.

2. The Multiple Bernoulli Polynomials satisfy a nice generalization of:

- the nullity of  $b_{2n+1}$  if  $n > 0$ .
- the symmetry  $B_n(1) = B_n(0)$  if  $n > 1$ .
- the difference equation  $\Delta(B_n)(x) = nx^{n-1}$ .
- the reflection formula  $(-1)^n B_n(1-x) = B_n(x)$ .

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !**