



*On a sequence of polynomials generated  
by a Kapteyn series of the second kind*

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## Kapteyn series

Kapteyn series were introduced around 1900 by *Willem Kapteyn*

- ▶ Kapteyn series of the first kind:

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} \alpha_k^\nu J_{\nu+k}((\nu+k)z)$$



- ▶ Kapteyn series of the *second kind*:

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} \alpha_k^{\mu,\nu} J_{\mu+k}((\mu+\nu+2k)z) J_{\nu+k}((\mu+\nu+2k)z)$$

where

- $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{C}$
- $J_\nu(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n}{\Gamma(\nu+n+1)n!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{\nu+2n}$  the *Bessel function* of the first kind

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- solved 1819 by Bessel *Analytische Auflösung der Kepler'schen Aufgabe* using a different method introducing Bessel functions of the first kind

$$J_n(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(nE - z \sin E) dE, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\hookrightarrow \quad E(M) = M + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n} J_n(n\varepsilon) \sin(nM)$$

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## *Conjecture*

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- ▶ Maple: *gfun* (Salvy+Zimmermann)
- ▶ Mathematica: *GeneratingFunctions* (Mallinger),  
*Guess* (Kauers)
- ▶ Sage: *ore\_algebra* (Kauers et al)

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*Example* Binomial coefficient:

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*Counterexample* Stirling numbers of the second kind  $S_2(n, k) = \left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right\}$

$$S_2(n+1, k+1) - (k+1)S_2(n, k+1) - S_2(n, k) = 0$$

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with the *Pochhammer symbol*  $(a)_n = a(a+1)\cdots(a+n-1)$ .

## *The non-holonomic systems approach*

- ▶ *Summation algorithms for Stirling number identities*, Kauers (JSC'07)
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*Example identities:*

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} i(k+i)^{k-1} (n-k+j)^{n-k} = (n+i+j)^n$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{m-k} k! \binom{n-k}{m-k} \left\{ \begin{matrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{matrix} \right\} = E_1(n, m)$$

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## *Classical proof (skipping some steps)*

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It can be shown that

$$c(n, k) = \frac{4^{n+k}}{k!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{3n+1} [\Delta_x^k C_{n,k}(x)]_{x=0}$$

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$$C_{n,k}(x) = (x - k + 3n + \frac{3}{2})_{k-2n-1} (x+1)_n r_n(x).$$

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c[1 + n, 3 + k]}, n, k, 3, StartPoint -> {1, 1}, Infolevel -> 3]  
80 terms
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collecting nonzero points...

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1 solutions predicted.

refined system: 135 eqns, 35 vars

Q.

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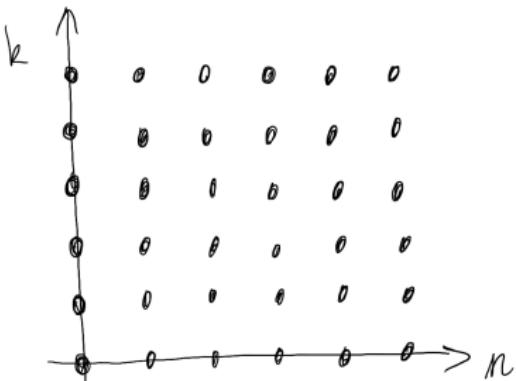
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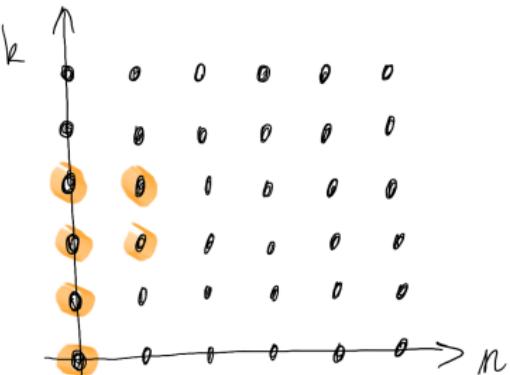
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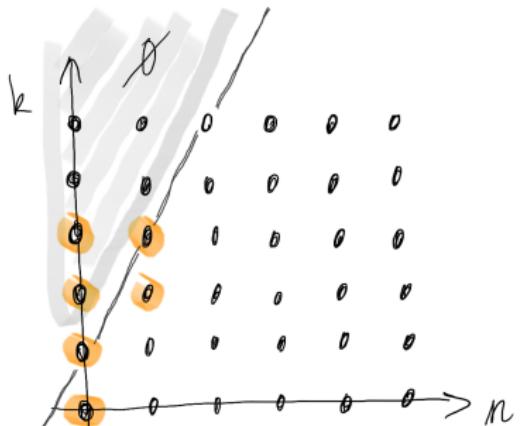
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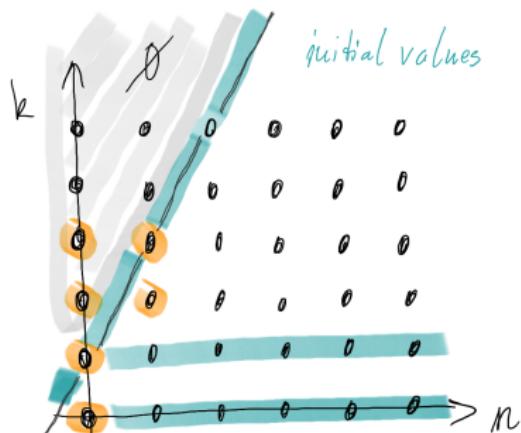
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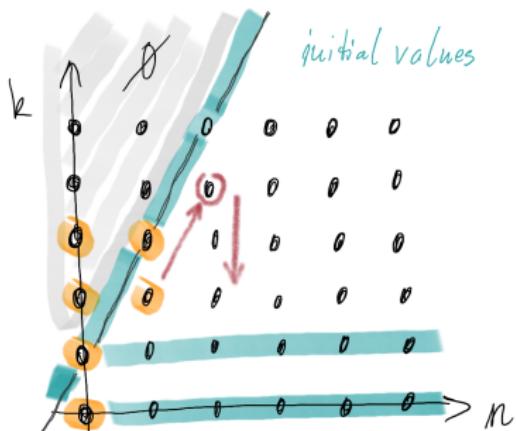
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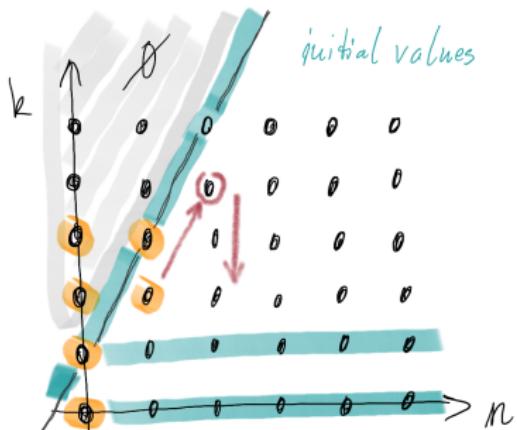


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Then,  $P_n(x) \in \mathbb{N}[x]$ .

## *Some links*

- ▶ Algorithmic Combinatorics at RISC  
<https://combinatorics.risc.jku.at/>
- ▶ Manuel Kauers  
<http://kauers.de/>
- ▶ Christoph Koutschan  
<http://www.koutschan.de/software.php>
- ▶ Calculations  
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*Thank you!*