

# The Powers Sums, Bernoulli Numbers, **Bernoulli Polynomials Rethinked**

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Abstract

Utilizing translation operators we get the powers sums on arithmetic progressions and the Bernoulli polynomials of order *m* under the form of differential operators acting on monomials. It follows that (d/dn - d/dz) applied on a power sum has a meaning and is exactly equal to the Bernoulli polynomial of the same order. From this new property we get the formula giving powers sums in term of sums of successive derivatives of Bernoulli polynomial multiplied with primitives of the same order of *n*. Then by changing the two arguments z, n into Z = z(z-1),  $\lambda$  where  $\lambda$  designed the 1<sup>st</sup> order power sums and proving that Bernoulli polynomials of odd order vanish for arguments equal to 0, 1/2, 1, we obtain easily the Faulhaber formula for powers sums in term of polynomials in  $\lambda$  having coefficients depending on Z. These coefficients are found to be derivatives of odd powers sums on integers expressed in Z. By the way we obtain the link between Faulhaber formulae for powers sums on integers and on arithmetic progressions. To complete the work we propose tables for calculating in easiest manners possibly the Bernoulli numbers, the Bernoulli polynomials, the powers sums and the Faulhaber formula for powers sums.

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Bernoulli Numbers, Bernoulli Polynomials, Powers Sums, Faulhaber Conjecture, Shift Operator, Operator Calculus

# **1. Introduction**

The problem of calculating the sums of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  powers of *n* first integers

$$\sum n^m = \sum_{k=1}^n k^m \tag{1.1}$$

is investigated from antiquity by mathematicians around the world.

We learn for examples in the thesis of Coen [1] as so as in Edwards [2] that at the beginning of the 11<sup>th</sup> century ibn al-Haytham had developed the formulae

$$\sum n = \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2}, \quad \sum n^2 = \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{6}, \quad \sum n^3 = \frac{n^4}{4} + \frac{n^3}{2} - \frac{n^2}{4}$$
(1.2)

In 15<sup>th</sup> century his successors had found

$$\sum n^4 = \frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{n^4}{2} + \frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n}{30}$$
(1.3)

About two centuries quietly passed until the day in 1631 when Faulhaber [3] published at Ulm the prodigious results for sums of odd powers from  $\sum n$  until  $\sum n^{17}$  in term of powers of  $\sum n$ . One may find more details on the works of Faulhaber in the reference [4].

After Faulhaber, in 1636 French mathematicians Fermat utilizing the figurate numbers and in 1656 Pascal utilizing results of arithmetic triangle, found also recurrence formulae for calculating  $\sum n^m$  from lower-order sums [5].

Then in 1713 in his posthumous *Ars conjectandi*, Jacob Bernoulli [6], mentioning Faulhaber, published the lists of ten first  $\sum n^m$ . It is plausible that from this list he observed that  $\sum n^m$  may be written in terms of the numbers  $B_k$ which are the same for all m

$$\sum n^{m} = \frac{1}{m+1} \sum_{j=0}^{m} (-)^{j} {\binom{m+1}{j}} B_{j} n^{m+1-j}.$$
(1.4)

This famous conjectured formula of Bernoulli was proven in 1755 based on the calculus of finite difference by Euler [7], a researcher working with the Bernoulli brothers at Zurich. As informed by Raugh [8], Euler had followed de Moivre in given  $B_k$  the denomination Bernoulli numbers, introduced the Bernoulli polynomials in 1738 via the generating function

$$\frac{t}{e^{t}-1}e^{zt} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} B_{m}(z)t^{m}$$
(1.5)

Returning to the Faulhaber conjecture saying that  $S_m(n)$  is a polynomial in  $S_1(n)$  for all m

$$S_{m}(n) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} A_{j}^{(m)} S_{1}^{j}(n)$$
(1.6)

we know that Jacobi [9] has the merit of giving the right proof for this conjecture and moreover calculating the first six Faulhaber coefficients  $A_j^{(m)}$  although he did not get a formula for obtaining all of them. Another merit of Jacobi consists in pioneering the use of the derivative with respect to *n* when observing that

$$\sum n^{m} = \frac{1}{m+1} \left( B_{m+1} \left( n+1 \right) - B_{m+1} \left( 0 \right) \right)$$
(1.7)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}n}\sum n^{m} = B_{m}\left(n\right) = m\sum n^{m-1} + B_{m}$$
(1.8)

Long years passed until Edwards [10] showed how to obtain the Faulhaber

coefficients by matrix inversion and Knuth [4] by identification of coefficients of odd powers of n in Bernoulli formula with those in Faulhaber conjecture. Nevertheless the methods of Edwards and Knuth are not easy to apply.

Following Coen, we know the existence of the work *Bernoulli numbers: bibliography* (1713-1990) of Dilcher [11] which contained 1956 references by 839 authors!

Concerning the more general problem of powers sums on arithmetic progressions

$$S_m(z,n) = z^m + (z+1)^m + \dots + (z+(n-1))^m$$
(1.9)

we remark the recent formula given by Dattoli, Cesarano, Lorenzutta [12] in term of Bernoulli polynomials

$$S_m(z,n) = \frac{1}{m+1} \left( B_{m+1}(z+n) - B_{m+1}(z) \right)$$
(1.10)

and the formula of Chen, Fu, Zhang [13] in term of sums of powers of  $S_1(z, n)$ 

$$2mS_{2m-1}(z,n) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} {\binom{2m}{2j}} B_{2m-2j}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(2S_1(z,n)z + B_1^2(z)\right)^j - B_{2m}(z) \quad (1.11)$$

which are not easy to apply.

After these authors we have proposed a method leading to the formula [14]

$$S_{2k+1}(z,n) = \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{j!} \hat{S}_{2k+1}^{(j)}(Z) (2S_1(z,n))^j$$
(1.12)

where Z = z(z-1) and  $\hat{S}_m(Z) \equiv S_m(z)$ .

The Faulhaber formula is thus obtained but we see that the method for obtaining it is cumbersome and the practice calculations of  $\hat{S}_m(Z) \equiv S_m(z)$  for obtaining the Faulhaber coefficients fastidious.

Rethinking the problem, we observe that an arithmetic progression is a matter of translation, that there is a somehow symmetry between n, z and  $S_1(n), Z$  and  $\partial_n, \partial_z$  so that finally we found a more concise method for resolving the problem and theoretically and practically that we will expose in the following paragraphs.

# 2. Representation of a Power Sums and Bernoulli Polynomials by Differential Operators

Let

$$S_{m}(z,n) = z^{m} + (z+1)^{m} + \dots + (z+(n-1))^{m}$$
  
=  $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (z+k)^{m}, z \in C$  (2.1)

be the powers sums on an arithmetic progression and

$$S_m(n) \equiv S_m(0,n) = 0^m + 1^m + \dots + (n-1)^m$$
(2.2)

the powers sums of the first integers.

We may utilize the shift or translation operator

$$e^{a\partial_z} f(z) = f(z+a)$$
(2.3)

to get the differential representation

$$S_m(z,n) = \left(1 + e^{\partial_z} + \dots + e^{(n-1)\partial_z}\right) z^m = \frac{e^{n\partial_z} - 1}{e^{\partial_z} - 1} z^m, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$
(2.4)

which gives directly the relations

$$\partial_z S_m(z,n) = \frac{\mathrm{e}^{n\partial_z} - 1}{\mathrm{e}^{\partial_z} - 1} \partial_z z^m \tag{2.5}$$

$$\partial_z S_m(z,n) = m S_{m-1}(z,n)$$
(2.6)

and the generating function

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} S_m(z,n) \frac{t^m}{m!} = \frac{e^{n\partial_z} - 1}{e^{\partial_z} - 1} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^m t^m}{m!} = \frac{e^{nt} - 1}{e^t - 1} e^{zt}$$
(2.7)

Because (2.4) is valid for all integers n it is also valid for all real and complex values so that we may write

$$\partial_n S_m(z,n) = \frac{\partial_z e^{n\partial_z}}{e^{\partial_z} - 1} z^m$$
(2.8)

Defining now the set of polynomials  $B_m(z)$  by the differential representation

$$B_m(z) = \frac{\partial_z}{e^{\partial_z} - 1} z^m \tag{2.9}$$

we see that  $B_m(z)$  verify

$$B_m(z+1) - B_m(z) = \partial_z z^m \tag{2.10}$$

$$B'_{m}(z) = mB_{m-1}(z)$$
(2.11)

and have the generating function

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m(z) \frac{t^m}{m!} = \frac{t}{e^t - 1} e^{zt} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{t}{2} + \dots} e^{zt} = \left(1 - \frac{t}{2} + \dots\right) (1 + zt + \dots) \quad (2.12)$$

allowing the identification of them with Bernoulli polynomials defined by Euler [7] and giving the first of them

$$B_0(z) = 1, \quad B_1(z) = z - \frac{1}{2}.$$
 (2.13)

The Bernoulli polynomials are linked to powers sums according to formulae (2.5), (2.8), (2.9) by the relations

$$\partial_z S_m(z,n) = \left(e^{n\partial_z} - 1\right) \frac{\partial_z}{e^{\partial_z} - 1} z^m = \left(e^{n\partial_z} - 1\right) B_m(z) = B_m(z+n) - B_m(z) \quad (2.14)$$

$$\partial_n S_m(z,n) = e^{z\partial_n} B_m(n) = B_m(z+n)$$
(2.15)

which lead to the followed beautiful formula where the second member does not depend on n

$$\left(\partial_n - \partial_z\right) S_m(z, n) = B_m(z) \tag{2.16}$$

Besides it leads also to the formula

 $\partial_n S_m(z,n) = m S_{m-1}(z,n) + B_m(z)$ (2.17)

which jointed with (2.15) gives rise to the historic Jacobi conjectured formula [9]

$$\partial_n S_m(n) = m S_{m-1}(n) + B_m(0) = B_m(n)$$
 (2.18)

From (2.18) we see that  $B_m(0)$  are identifiable with Bernoulli numbers  $B_m$ .

#### 3. The Powers Sums

1) Powers sums in terms of Bernoulli polynomials and powers of n

From the Equation (2.16) and the boundary condition  $S_m(z,0) = 0$  we get immediately the solution of (2.16)

$$S_{m}(z,n) = \frac{1}{\partial_{n} - \partial_{z}} B_{m}(z)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{m} \partial_{z}^{k} \partial_{n}^{-k} B_{m}(z) n$$
(3.1)

which may be put under the algorithmic form very easy to remember

$$S_m(z,n) = B_m(z)n + B_m^{(1)}(z)\frac{n^2}{2!} + \dots + B_m^{(m)}(z)\frac{n^{m+1}}{(m+1)!}$$
(3.2)

or taking into account (2.11)

$$S_{m}(z,n) = B_{m}(z)n + \dots + m(m-1)\cdots(m-k+1)B_{m-k}(z)\frac{n^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} + \dots + m!B_{0}(z)\frac{n^{m+1}}{(m+1)!}$$

Putting z = 0 in (3.2) and replacing  $B_{m-k}(0)$  with  $B_{m-k}$  we recognize the famous Bernoulli formula [6]

$$S_m(n) = B_m n + \dots + \binom{m}{k} B_{m-k} \frac{n^{k+1}}{k+1} + \dots + B_0 \frac{n^{m+1}}{m+1}$$
(3.3)

2) The Faulhaber formula on powers sums

In  $S_m(z,n)$  instead of utilizing z and n for arguments let us utilize

$$Z = z(z-1)$$
 and  $\lambda = S_1(z,n) = \left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)n + \frac{n^2}{2}$  (3.4)

Because

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}Z}{\mathrm{d}z} = 2B_1(z), \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}Z}{\mathrm{d}n} = 0, \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}\lambda}{\mathrm{d}n} = B_1(z) + n, \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}\lambda}{\mathrm{d}z} = n \tag{3.5}$$

we have

$$\partial_n = \left(B_1(z) + n\right)\partial_\lambda \tag{3.6}$$

$$\partial_z = 2B_1(z)\partial_Z + n\partial_\lambda \tag{3.7}$$

$$\partial_{n} - \partial_{z} \equiv B_{1}(z)\partial_{\lambda} - 2B_{1}(z)\partial_{z}$$
  
$$\equiv B_{1}(z)(\partial_{\lambda} - 2\partial_{z})$$
(3.8)

Equation (2.16) becomes

$$\left(\partial_{\lambda} - 2\partial_{Z}\right)S_{m}\left(z,n\right) = B_{1}^{-1}\left(z\right)B_{m}\left(z\right)$$
(3.9)

Happily from the definition of  $B_m(z)$  by differential operators (2.9) we may write down

$$B_{m}(-z) = \frac{-\partial_{z}}{e^{-\partial_{z}} - 1} (-z)^{m}$$
  
=  $e^{\partial_{z}} \frac{-\partial_{z}}{1 - e^{\partial_{z}}} (-z)^{m}$   
=  $(-)^{m} B_{m}(z+1)$  (3.10)

which jointed with (2.10) leads to the important properties

$$B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0, B_{2k+1}\left(1\right) = -B_{2k+1}\left(0\right) = B_{2k+1}\left(0\right) + \delta_{k,0}$$
(3.11)

$$2B_1(0) = -1 \tag{3.12}$$

$$B_1^{-1}(z)B_{2k+1}(z) = 0$$
 for  $z = 0, z = 1, k > 0$  (3.13)

As an polynomial of order 2k having  $z_0, z_1$  for roots may be put by identification of coefficients under the form of a homogeneous polynomial of order k in  $(z-z_0)(z-z_1)$  we obtain the important property:

 $B_1^{-1}(z)B_{2k+1}(z)$  is a homogeneous polynomial of order k in Z = z(z-1) k > 0 (3.14)

By the way we notify that because  $S_{2k+1}(n) = 0$  for n = 0,1 it is also a homogeneous polynomial of order (k+1) in u = n(n-1) as conjectured Faulhaber and proven somehow by Jacobi.

Moreover the calculations of the quoted polynomials in Z or in u may be done thank to the hereinafter Table 3.

Jointed (3.14) with the formula came from the Jacobi formula (2.18)

$$2\partial_{z}S_{2k+1}(z) = B_{1}^{-1}(z)B_{2k+1}(z)$$
(3.15)

we may define a polynomial  $\hat{S}_{k}(Z)$  of order k depending on Z such that

$$\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \equiv S_{2k+1}(Z)$$
(3.16)

$$2\partial_{Z}\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \equiv B_{1}^{-1}(z)B_{2k+1}(z)$$
(3.17)

The definition of  $\hat{S}_k(Z)$  by (3.16) differs a little in index with its definition in [15].

Thank to these considerations we get the solution of (3.9) corresponding to the boundary condition  $S_m(z,0) = 0$  under the form

$$S_{2k+1}(z,n) = (\partial_{\lambda} - 2\partial_{Z})^{-1} 2\hat{S}'_{k+1}(Z)$$
  
=  $\sum_{j=0}^{k} \partial_{Z}^{j+1} \hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \partial_{2\lambda}^{-j}(2\lambda)$  (3.18)

or under the algorithmic form

$$S_{2k+1}(z,n) = \hat{S}'_{k+1}(Z)\frac{(2\lambda)^{1}}{1!} + \hat{S}''_{k+1}(Z)\frac{(2\lambda)^{2}}{2!} + \dots + \hat{S}^{(k+1)}_{k+1}(Z)\frac{(2\lambda)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!}$$
(3.19)

where we see that the Faulhaber coefficients are successive derivations beginning from the first one of the power sums on integers writing under the form  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \equiv S_{2k+1}(z)$ .

Curiously by replacing z with n and consequently Z with u = n(n-1) in the definition  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \equiv S_{2k+1}(z)$  we get the very important and very interesting formula linking the Faulhaber powers sums on integers and on arithmetic progressions

$$S_{2k+1}(n) = \hat{S}_{k+1}(u) \tag{3.20}$$

For examples

$$\hat{S}_{3}(Z) = \frac{Z^{3}}{6} - \frac{Z^{2}}{12} \Longrightarrow S_{5}(n) = \frac{u^{3}}{6} - \frac{u^{2}}{12} = \frac{n^{6}}{6} - \frac{n^{5}}{2} + \frac{5n^{4}}{12} - \frac{n^{2}}{12}$$
(3.21)

$$S_{7}(n) = \frac{u^{4}}{8} - \frac{u^{3}}{6} + \frac{u^{2}}{12} \Longrightarrow \hat{S}_{4}(Z) = \frac{Z^{4}}{8} - \frac{Z^{3}}{6} + \frac{Z^{2}}{12}$$
(3.22)

# 4. Obtaining Practically Bernoulli Numbers, Bernoulli Functions and Powers Sums

#### 4.1. Calculations of Bernoulli Numbers

For calculating  $B_m$  we remark that from

$$B_{m}(z+y) = e^{z\partial_{y}}B_{m}(y) = B_{m}(y) + \dots + \frac{1}{k!}z^{k}B_{m}^{(k)}(y) + \dots + z^{m}B_{0}(y)$$
$$B_{m}(z) = B_{m} + \dots + \binom{m}{k}z^{k}B_{m-k} + \dots + z^{m}B_{0}$$
(4.1)

and (2.10) we get the recursion relation

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$$B_{m}(1) - B_{m}(0) = \delta_{m1} = \binom{m}{1} B_{m-1} + \dots + \binom{m}{k} B_{m-k} + \dots + B_{0}$$
(4.2)

which may be written under the matrix form

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & & \cdots & \\ 1 & 2 & & & \cdots & \\ 1 & 3 & 3 & & \cdots & \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & \cdots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ \begin{pmatrix} m+1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m+1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} & & & \cdots & \begin{pmatrix} m+1 \\ m \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ B_3 \\ \vdots \\ B_m \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
(4.3)

This matrix equation may be resolved by doing by hand or by program linear combinations over lines from the second one in order to replace them with lines each containing only some non-zero rational numbers.

For instance for calculating successively  $\{B_0, B_1, B_2, B_4, B_6, \dots, B_{18}\}$  we may utilize the matrix equation

Matrix equation for calculating  $B_m$ .

We remark that the last line of this matrix has replaced the line

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 19\\i \end{pmatrix}, i = 0, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 \right\} \text{ Some results are}$$
$$B_0 = 1, \quad B_0 + 2B_1 = 0, \quad B_1 + 3B_2 = 0, \quad -B_2 + 7B_6 = 0$$
$$2052B_1 - 775B_6 + 19B_{18} = 0 = -\frac{1026}{19} - \frac{775}{19 \times 42} + B_{18} = -\frac{43867}{798} + B_{18}$$

#### 4.2. Calculations of Bernoulli Polynomials

For calculating Bernoulli polynomials, we remark that (2.11) and the Jacobi formula (2.18) give rise to the relations

$$B_m(z) = m \int_0^z B_{m-1}(t) dt + B_m$$
(4.5)

$$S_m(n) = \int_0^n B_m(t) dt \tag{4.6}$$

which, knowing  $B_0(z) = 1$ , permits the easy calculations of all the Bernoulli polynomials and the powers sums on integers  $S_m(n)$  from the set of Bernoulli numbers  $\{B_0, B_1, \dots, B_m\}$  as we may see hereafter in Table 1.

#### 4.3. Calculations of Powers Sums as Polynomials in n

For calculating  $S_m(z,n)$  we utilize the algorithmic formula (3.2) and get the results shown in Table 2.

#### 4.4. Calculations of Faulhaber Powers Sums

Practically for transforming  $S_{2k+1}(z)$  into  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z)$  from which one obtains the Faulhaber coefficients let us remark that

$$z^{2k+2} = Z^{k+1} + \binom{k+1}{1} z^{2k+1} - \binom{k+1}{2} z^{2k} + \dots + \binom{k+1}{k+1} z^{k+1}$$
(4.7)

so that we may replace the first term  $z^{2k+2}$  of  $S_{2k+1}(z)$  with  $Z^{k+1}$  minus a polynomial in z. The polynomial in z so obtained must begin with a term in  $z^{2k}$  and not  $z^{2k+1}$  so that we may continue to replace in it  $z^{2k}$  with a term in  $Z^k$ 

Table 1. Obtaining	$B_m($	z),	$S_m$	n	) from	$B_m$
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B <sub>m</sub>	$B_m(z) = m \int_0^z B_{m-1}(z) + B_m$	$S_m(n) = \int_0^n B_m(n)$
$B_0 = 1$	$B_0(z) = 1$	$S_0(n) = \frac{n}{1}$
$B_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$	$B_1(z) = z - \frac{1}{2}$	$S_1(n) = \frac{n^2}{2} - \frac{n}{2}$
$B_2 = \frac{1}{6}$	$B_2(z) = z^2 - z + \frac{1}{6}$	$S_2(n) = \frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{6}$
$B_{3} = 0$	$B_3(z) = z^3 - \frac{3z^2}{2} + \frac{z}{2}$	$S_3(n) = \frac{n^4}{4} - \frac{n^3}{2} + \frac{n^2}{4}$
$B_4 = \frac{-1}{30}$	$B_4(z) = z^4 - 2z^3 + z^2 - \frac{1}{30}$	$S_4(n) = \frac{n^5}{5} - \frac{n^4}{2} + \frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n}{30}$
$B_{5} = 0$	$B_5(z) = z^5 - \frac{5}{2}z^4 + \frac{5}{3}z^3 - \frac{z}{6}$	$S_5(n) = \frac{n^6}{6} - \frac{n^5}{2} + \frac{5n^4}{12} - \frac{n^2}{12}$
$B_6 = \frac{1}{42}$	$B_6(z) = z^6 - 3z^5 + \frac{5}{2}z^4 - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{1}{42}$	$S_6(n) = \frac{n^7}{7} - \frac{n^6}{2} + \frac{n^5}{12} - \frac{n^3}{36} + \frac{n}{42}$
$B_7 = 0$	$B_{7}(z) = z^{7} - \frac{7}{2}z^{6} + \frac{7}{2}z^{5} - \frac{7}{6}z^{3} + \frac{1}{42}z$	$S_{7}(n) = \frac{n^{8}}{8} - \frac{n^{7}}{2} + \frac{7n^{6}}{12} - \frac{7n^{4}}{24} + \frac{n^{2}}{84}$

**Table 2.** Obtaining  $S_m(z,n)$  from  $B_m(z)$ .

$\overline{B_m(z)}$	$S_m(z,n) = B_m(z)n + B_m'(z)\frac{n^2}{2!} + \dots + B_m^{(m)}(z)\frac{n^{m+1}}{(m+1)!}$
$\overline{B_0(z)} = 1$	$S_0(z,n) = n$
$B_1(z) = z - \frac{1}{2}$	$S_1(z,n) = (z - \frac{1}{2})n + \frac{n^2}{2!}$
$B_2(z) = z^2 - z + \frac{1}{6}$	$S_2(z,n) = (z^2 - z + \frac{1}{6})n + (2z - 1)\frac{n^2}{2!} + 2\frac{n^3}{3!}$
$B_3(z) = z^3 - \frac{3z^2}{2} + \frac{z}{2}$	$S_3(z,n) = (z^3 - \frac{3z^2}{2} + \frac{z}{2})n + (3z^2 - 3z + \frac{1}{2})\frac{n^2}{2!}$
	$+(6z-3)\frac{n^3}{3!}+6\frac{n^4}{4!}$

minus a polynomial in z. The operations continue so on until finish.

By this operation we observe that we may omit all odd powers terms in z before and during the transformation of  $S_{2k+1}(z)$  into  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z)$  for k > 0. From these remarks we may establish **Table 3** of transformation.

This algorithm for obtaining  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z)$  gives rise astonishingly to the easy calculation of the Faulhaber formula for  $S_{2k+1}(z,n)$ .

As examples we have

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$$S_1(z) = \frac{z^2}{2} - \frac{z}{2} \to S_1^-(z) = \frac{z^2}{2} \to \hat{S}_1(Z) = \frac{Z}{2}$$
  
 $S_1(z,n) = \frac{1}{2}2\lambda = \lambda$ 
(4.8)
•  $S_3(n) = \frac{n^4}{4} - \frac{n^3}{2} + \frac{n^2}{4} \to S_3^-(z) = \frac{z^4}{4} \to \hat{S}_2(Z) = \frac{1}{4}Z^2$ 

**Table 3.** Change of  $z^{2k+2}$  in change of  $S_{2k+1}(z)$  into  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} z^{2} \to Z\delta_{k0} \\ z^{4} \to Z^{2} \\ z^{6} \to Z^{3} - {3 \choose 2} z^{4} = Z^{3} - 3Z^{2} \\ z^{8} \to Z^{4} - {4 \choose 2} z^{6} - {4 \choose 4} z^{4} = Z^{4} - 6Z^{3} + 17Z^{2} \\ z^{10} \to Z^{5} - 10z^{8} - 5z^{6} = Z^{5} - 10Z^{4} + 55Z^{3} - 95Z^{2} \\ z^{12} \to Z^{6} - 15z^{10} - 15z^{8} - z^{6} \\ z^{14} \to Z^{7} - 21z^{12} - 35z^{10} - 7z^{8} \\ z^{16} \to Z^{8} - 28z^{14} - 70z^{12} - 28z^{10} - z^{8} \\ z^{18} \to Z^{9} - 36z^{16} - 126z^{14} - 84z^{12} - 9z^{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$S_{3}(z,n) = \frac{Z}{2} \frac{2\lambda}{1!} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{4\lambda^{2}}{2!} = Z\lambda + \lambda^{2}$$

$$(4.9)$$
•  $S_{5}(n) = \frac{n^{6}}{6} - \frac{n^{5}}{2} + \frac{5n^{4}}{12} - \frac{n^{2}}{12} \rightarrow S_{5}^{-}(z) = \frac{z^{6}}{6} + \frac{5z^{4}}{12}$ 

$$\hat{S}_{3}(Z) = \frac{1}{6}Z^{3} - \frac{1}{12}Z^{2}$$

$$S_{5}(n) = \frac{1}{6}u^{3} - \frac{1}{12}u^{2}$$

$$S_{5}(z,n) = \hat{S}_{3}'(Z)\frac{2\lambda}{1!} + \hat{S}_{3}''(Z)\frac{4\lambda^{2}}{2!} + \hat{S}_{3}'''(Z)\frac{8\lambda^{3}}{3!}$$

$$= \left(Z^{2} - \frac{Z}{3}\right)\lambda + \left(Z - \frac{1}{6}\right)2\lambda^{2} + \frac{4}{3}\lambda^{3}$$

$$(4.10)$$

• 
$$B_{7}(z) = z^{7} - \frac{7}{2}z^{6} + \frac{7}{2}z^{5} - \frac{7}{6}z^{3} + \frac{1}{42}z$$
  
 $S_{7}(n) = \frac{n^{8}}{8} - \frac{n^{7}}{2} + \frac{7n^{6}}{12} - \frac{7n^{4}}{24} + \frac{n^{2}}{84} \rightarrow S_{7}^{-}(z) = \frac{z^{8}}{8} + \frac{7z^{6}}{12} - \frac{7z^{4}}{24}$   
 $\hat{S}_{4}(Z) = \frac{1}{8}(Z^{4} - 6Z^{3} + 17Z^{2}) + \frac{7}{12}(Z^{3} - 3Z^{2}) - \frac{7}{24}Z^{2}$   
 $= \frac{1}{8}Z^{4} - \frac{1}{6}Z^{3} + \frac{1}{12}Z^{2}$   
 $S_{7}(n) = \frac{1}{8}u^{4} - \frac{1}{6}u^{3} + \frac{1}{12}u^{2}$   
 $S_{7}(z, n) = \hat{S}'_{4}(Z)\frac{2\lambda}{1!} + \hat{S}''_{4}(Z)\frac{4\lambda^{2}}{2!} + (3Z - 1)\frac{8\lambda^{3}}{3!} + 3\frac{16\lambda^{4}}{4!}$  (4.11)

# 5. Formula for Even Powers Sums $S_{2k}(z,n)$

By derivation of  $S_{2k+1}(z,n)$  with respect to z and remarking that  $\partial_z Z = 2z - 1, \ \partial_z \lambda = n$ 

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(5.1)

we obtain the formulae giving  $S_{2k}(z,n)$  in function of  $Z, \lambda, z, n$ 

$$(2k+1)S_{2k}(z,n) = \partial_z S_{2k+1}(z,n) = 2(B_1(z)\partial_z + n\partial_{2\lambda})S_{2k+1}(z)$$
(5.2)

$$= 2 \left( B_{1}(z) \partial_{z} + n \partial_{2\lambda} \right) \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} S_{k+1}^{(j)}(Z) \frac{(2\lambda)^{j}}{j!}$$
(5.3)

$$= 2B_{1}\left(z\right)\left(S_{k+1}^{(2)}\left(Z\right)\frac{\left(2\lambda\right)^{1}}{1!} + S_{k+1}^{(3)}\left(Z\right)\frac{\left(2\lambda\right)^{2}}{2!} + \cdots\right) + 2n\left(S_{k+1}^{(1)}\left(Z\right)\frac{\left(2\lambda\right)^{0}}{0!} + S_{k+1}^{(2)}\left(Z\right)\frac{\left(2\lambda\right)^{1}}{1!} + \cdots\right)\right)$$
(5.4)

For examples

• 
$$\hat{S}_{2}(Z) = \frac{1}{4}Z^{2}$$
,  $\hat{S}'_{2}(Z) = \frac{1}{2}Z$ ,  $\hat{S}''_{2}(Z) = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $3S_{2}(z,n) = 2B_{1}(z)S''_{2}(Z)2\lambda + 2nS'_{2}(Z) + 2nS''_{2}(Z)2\lambda$   
 $= (2z-1)\lambda + (Z+2\lambda)n$ 
(5.5)

• 
$$\hat{S}_{3}(Z) = \frac{Z^{3}}{6} - \frac{Z^{2}}{12}, \hat{S}'_{3}(Z) = \frac{Z^{2}}{2} - \frac{Z}{6}, \hat{S}''_{3}(Z) = Z - \frac{1}{6}, \hat{S}'''_{3}(Z) = 1$$
  
 $5S_{4}(z,n) = 2B_{1}(z)(\hat{S}''_{3}(Z)2\lambda + 2\lambda^{2}) + 2n(\hat{S}'_{3}(Z) + \hat{S}''_{3}(Z)2\lambda + 2\lambda^{2})$  (5.6)

#### 6. Remarks and Conclusions

The main particularity of this work consists in obtaining  $S_m(z,n)$  as the transform of  $z^m$  by a differential operator, as so as the Bernoulli polynomial  $B_m(z)$ , from which we deduce the new formula  $(\partial_n - \partial_z)S_m(z,n) = B_m(z)$  and get immediately  $S_m(z,n)$  as polynomials in *n*. From which we get also the property saying that  $B_1^{-1}(z)B_{2k+1}(z)$  is a homogeneous polynomial of order *k* in Z = z(z-1).

The second particularity consists in performing the change of arguments from z into Z = z(z-1) and n into  $\lambda = S_1(z,n)$  in order to get the relation  $(\partial_n - \partial_z) = B_1(z)(\partial_{2\lambda} - \partial_z)$  which gives rise to the Faulhaber formula of  $S_m(z,n)$ . From this formula we see that the Faulhaber coefficients are successive derivatives of the function  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \equiv S_{2k+1}(z)$  where  $S_{2k+1}(n)$  are powers sums on integers.

The relation  $\hat{S}_{k+1}(Z) \equiv S_{2k+1}(z)$  leads also to the Faulhaber formula  $S_{2k+1}(n) \equiv \hat{S}_{k+1}(u)$  where u = n(n-1).

The third particularity of this work is proposing a method for obtaining easily the Bernoulli numbers  $B_m$  from a matrix equation, then of

$$B_{m}(z) = m \int_{0}^{z} B_{m-1}(z) + B_{m}$$
$$S_{m}(z) = \int_{0}^{z} B_{m}(z)$$
$$S_{m}(z,n) = B_{m}(z)n + B_{m}^{(1)}(z)\frac{n^{2}}{2!} + \cdots$$

$$S_{2k+1}(z,n) = \hat{S}'_{k+1}(Z) \frac{(2\lambda)^{1}}{1!} + \hat{S}^{(2)}_{k+1}(Z) \frac{(2\lambda)^{2}}{2!} + \cdots$$
$$S_{2k+1}(n) = \hat{S}_{k+1}(u)$$

As conclusion we think that the calculations of powers sums are greatly facilitated by the utilization of derivation operators  $\partial_z$ ,  $\partial_n$  and the translation operator  $\exp(a\partial_z)$ , parts of Operator Calculus.

Operator calculus, which is very different from Heaviside operational calculus, is thus merited to be known and introduced into Mathematical Analysis. Moreover it just had a solid foundation and many interesting applications for instance in the domains of Special functions, Differential equations, Fourier, Laplace and other transforms, quantum mechanics [14].

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