Now, if *m* is odd, then $(m+1-2^{N-3})/2$ is an integer which may be taken as the value of *b* since it satisfies the conditions (7). It is easily seen that the set (6), in which $b = (m+1-2^{N-3})/2$ and *c* is determined by (8), is not the set (4). However, if *m* is even and not equal to 2^{N-3} , then $b = (m+2-2^{N-3})/2$ and *c* determined by (8) are integers which satisfy (7) and yield a set (6) which is not the set (4). But if $m = 2^{N-3}$, then $N \ge 6$ and b = 2 satisfies the conditions (7) on *b* and yields a set (6) which is not the set (4).

An interesting choice of integers b and c is that given by $b = (m+1-2^{N-4})/2$ if m is odd and less than or equal to $(2^{N-4}+2^{N-3}-1)$, but by $b = (m-2^{N-4})/2$ if m is even and less than or equal to $(2^{N-4}+2^{N-3})$. Then (6) require no rearrangement, and c is respectively b or b+1. The resulting integers (6) differ from (4) when $m \neq 2^{N-4}+2^{N-3}-1$, $2^{N-4}+2^{N-3}$.

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HAUSDORFF METHODS OF SUMMATION WHICH INCLUDE ALL OF THE CESÀRO METHODS

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1. Introduction. The transformation¹

$$\sigma_m = \sum_{n=0}^m C_{m,n} \Delta^{m-n} c_n \cdot s_n,$$

where $c_n = \int_0^1 u^n d\phi(u)$ and $\{s_n\}$ is a given sequence, defines a regular method of summation of the sequence $\{s_n\}$ provided that $\phi(u)$ is of bounded variation on the interval $0 \le u \le 1$, continuous at u = 0, and

$$\phi(u) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } u = 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } u = 1, \\ \frac{1}{2} [\phi(u - 0) + \phi(u + 0)] & \text{if } 0 \le u < 1. \end{cases}$$

If these conditions of regularity are fulfilled the sequence $\{c_n\}$ is said to be a regular moment sequence (briefly a regular sequence), the mass function $\phi(u)$ is said to be a regular mass function, and the method of summation involved is called a Hausdorff method of summation ([1] or [2]) and is designated by the symbol $[H, \phi(u)]$.

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