

# The Exponential Solution to Quaternion Dynamic Equations Based on a New Quaternion Hyper-Complex Space with Hyper Argument

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## Abstract

In this short communication, we will introduce the notion of quaternion hyper argument to construct the non-commutative quaternion hyper argument space. By virtue of the structure of the Hilger complex plane and hyper argument space theory, we establish a theoretical framework of the quaternion hyper-complex space in which the new quaternion hyper-complex exponent, the hyper-complex logarithm are introduced. Note that the quaternion exponential functions introduced here is a solution of the linear homogeneous dynamic equation  $x^\Delta(t) = f(t)x(t)$  under the non-commutative quaternion function  $f$ .

## 1 Quaternion hyper argument space and calculus

The notion of quaternion was introduced by Hamilton in 1843, which provides a type of hyper-complex numbers and extends the field  $\mathbb{C}$  of the complex numbers to a novel non-commutative division ring under the addition and multiplication operation. The study quaternion dynamic equations becomes a hot topic and some basic results were established on time scales by Wang and Agarwal et al. (see [1–6]).

In the literature [4], some important notions of the hyper-complex polar form of the quaternion numbers and a notion of the quaternion hyper argument are presented as follows.

**Definition 1.1** ([4]). Let  $q = q_0 + q_1i + q_2j + q_3k \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\cos^{\mathbb{Q}}, \sin^{\mathbb{Q}} : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , we define the quaternion polar form of  $q$  by

$$q := |q|e^{\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} = |q|e^{\Theta} = |q|[\cos^{\mathbb{Q}}\Theta + \sin^{\mathbb{Q}}\Theta j],$$

where

$$\Theta = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}, \quad q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)} \in (-\pi, \pi], \quad \theta^{(3)} \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right],$$

$$\cos^{\mathbb{Q}}\Theta = \cos\theta^{(1)}\cos\theta^{(3)} + \sin\theta^{(1)}\cos\theta^{(3)}i, \quad \sin^{\mathbb{Q}}\Theta = \cos\theta^{(2)}\sin\theta^{(3)} + \sin\theta^{(2)}\sin\theta^{(3)}i,$$

and  $\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)}$  satisfy the following conditions:

- (i)  $\cos \theta^{(1)} = \frac{q_0}{\sqrt{q_0^2 + q_1^2}}$  and  $\sin \theta^{(1)} = \frac{q_1}{\sqrt{q_0^2 + q_1^2}}$  if  $q_0 + q_1i \neq 0$ ;  $\theta^{(1)} = 0$  if  $q_0 + q_1i = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $\cos \theta^{(2)} = \frac{q_2}{\sqrt{q_2^2 + q_3^2}}$  and  $\sin \theta^{(2)} = \frac{q_3}{\sqrt{q_2^2 + q_3^2}}$  if  $q_2j + q_3k \neq 0$ ;  $\theta^{(2)} = 0$  if  $q_2j + q_3k = 0$ ;
- (iii)  $\cos \theta^{(3)} = \frac{\sqrt{q_0^2 + q_1^2}}{|q|}$  and  $\sin \theta^{(3)} = \frac{\sqrt{q_2^2 + q_3^2}}{|q|}$  if  $q \neq 0$ ;  $\theta^{(1)} = \theta^{(2)} = \theta^{(3)} = 0$  if  $q = 0$ ,

we call  $\Theta$  the quaternion hyper-principle argument. Generally, we define the quaternion hyper argument  $\text{Arg}^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)$  of  $q$  satisfying

$$e^{\text{Arg}^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} := e^{\Upsilon} = \cos^{\mathbb{Q}} \Upsilon + \sin^{\mathbb{Q}} \Upsilon j,$$

where  $\Upsilon = (\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}, \alpha^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}} \in \Gamma_q$  and

$$\Gamma_q = \left\{ \Upsilon \mid \cos^{\mathbb{Q}} \Theta + \sin^{\mathbb{Q}} \Theta j = \cos^{\mathbb{Q}} \Upsilon + \sin^{\mathbb{Q}} \Upsilon j \right\}.$$

**Remark 1.1.** Let

$$q = |q|e^{(\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}}, \quad p = |p|e^{(\gamma^{(1)}, \gamma^{(2)}, \gamma^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}},$$

then

$$\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(qp) \neq (\theta^{(1)} + \gamma^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)} + \gamma^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)} + \gamma^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}$$

in general.

**Remark 1.2.** Let

$$\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}, \quad \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(\bar{q}) = (\gamma^{(1)}, \gamma^{(2)}, \gamma^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}},$$

then

$$\theta^{(1)} + \gamma^{(1)} = 0, \quad |\theta^{(2)} - \gamma^{(2)}| = \pi \quad \text{and} \quad \theta^{(3)} = \gamma^{(3)}.$$

**Remark 1.3.** Note that the quaternion hyper-principle argument

$$\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}$$

is unique for each fixed  $q$ .

**Remark 1.4.** Let

$$\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Arg}^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}, \alpha^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}, \quad n_1, n_2, n_3 \in \mathbb{Z},$$

then

$$\alpha^{(1)} = \theta^{(1)} + 2n_1\pi, \quad \alpha^{(2)} = \theta^{(2)} + 2n_2\pi, \quad \alpha^{(3)} = \theta^{(3)} + 2n_3\pi,$$

or

$$\alpha^{(1)} = \theta^{(1)} + 2n_1\pi, \quad \alpha^{(2)} = \theta^{(2)} + 2n_2\pi + \pi, \quad \alpha^{(3)} = -\theta^{(3)} + 2n_3\pi,$$

or

$$\alpha^{(1)} = \theta^{(1)} + 2n_1\pi + \pi, \quad \alpha^{(2)} = \theta^{(2)} + 2n_2\pi + \pi, \quad \alpha^{(3)} = \theta^{(3)} + 2n_3\pi + \pi,$$

etc., this indicates that  $\Gamma_q$  is an infinite set.

**Remark 1.5.** Note that

$$\left\{ q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}, \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}, \theta^{(3)} = 0 \right\} = \mathbb{C}$$

and

$$\left\{ q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}, \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}, \theta^{(3)} = 0, \theta^{(1)} = 0 \text{ or } \pi \right\} = \mathbb{R}.$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{(\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}} &= e^{\theta^{(1)}i} \text{ if } \theta^{(3)} = 0; \\ q \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } e^{(\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}} &= 1 \text{ if } \theta^{(3)} = \theta^{(1)} = 0; \\ e^{(\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}} &= e^{\theta^{(2)}i}j \text{ if } \theta^{(3)} = \frac{\pi}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 1.6.** Note that for  $\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}$ , it follows that

$$q = a + bj = |a|e^{\theta^{(1)}i} + |b|e^{\theta^{(2)}i}j = |q|(e^{\theta^{(1)}i} \cos \theta^{(3)} + e^{\theta^{(2)}i} \sin \theta^{(3)}j),$$

where  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ .

## 2 The quaternion hyper-complex space

**Definition 2.1** ([4]). Let  $h > 0$ ,  $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{C}_1 \times \mathbb{C}_2$ ,  $q = (q_0 + q_1i) + (q_2 + q_3i)j \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $q_0 + q_1i \in \mathbb{C}_1$  and  $q_2 + q_3i \in \mathbb{C}_2$ . Then  $\mathbb{C}_1$  is called the sub-complex plane of the quaternion hyper-complex space, and  $\mathbb{C}_2$  is called the imaginary-complex plane of the quaternion hyper-complex space. Moreover, we define the Hilger quaternion number set as

$$\mathbb{Q}_h := \left\{ q \in \mathbb{Q} : q \neq -\frac{1}{h} \right\}.$$

Let  $q = a + bj \in \mathbb{Q}_h$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\theta^{(1)} = \text{Im}_h(a)$ ,  $\theta^{(2)} = \text{Im}_h(b)$ ,  $\theta^{(3)} = \text{Im}_h(|a| + |b|j)$ , then the schematic diagram of the quaternion hyper-complex space is showed by **Figure 1**. For  $h = 0$ , then  $\mathbb{Q}_0 = \mathbb{Q}$ .

Now, let

$$\chi_h(q) = \begin{cases} \frac{\ln |1 + hq|}{h} & \text{for } h > 0, \\ q_0 & \text{for } h = 0, \end{cases} \quad \mathbb{A}_h(q) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{h} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1 + hq) & \text{for } h > 0, \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1 + hq) & \text{for } h = 0, \end{cases}$$

we introduce the hyper-complex cylinder transformation  $\xi_h^{\mathbb{Q}} : \mathbb{Q}_h \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_h^{\mathbb{Q}}$  by

$$\xi_h^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = \chi_h(q) + \mathbb{A}_h(q) = \begin{cases} \frac{\ln |1 + hq|}{h} + \frac{1}{h} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1 + hq) & \text{for } h > 0, \\ q_0 + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1 + hq) & \text{for } h = 0, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\mathbb{Z}_h^{\mathbb{Q}} = \left\{ q \in \mathbb{Q} : \theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)} \in \left( -\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h} \right], \theta^{(3)} \in \left[ 0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right\}.$$

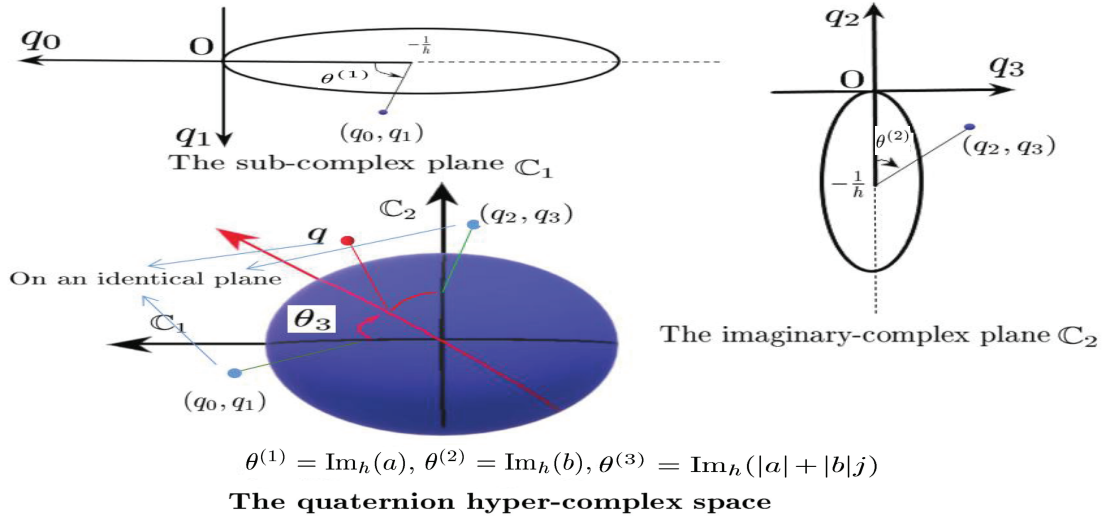


Figure 1. The geometric diagram of the quaternion hyper-complex space.

**Remark 2.1.** Let  $h > 0$ , the Hilger complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}_h = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid z \neq -\frac{1}{h}\}$ , then  $\mathbb{C}_h \subset \mathbb{Q}_h$ . In fact, let  $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}_h$  and  $\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}$ ,  $\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(p) = (\gamma^{(1)}, \gamma^{(2)}, \gamma^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) \oplus_{\mathbb{Q}} \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(p) &= \theta^{(1)}i + \gamma^{(1)}i, \\ \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) \ominus_{\mathbb{Q}} \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(p) &= \theta^{(1)}i - \gamma^{(1)}i, \\ b \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) &= b\theta^{(1)}i, \end{aligned}$$

where  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\theta^{(2)} = \theta^{(3)} = \gamma^{(2)} = \gamma^{(3)} = 0$ , it means that the operations  $\oplus_{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $\ominus_{\mathbb{Q}}$  will turn into the classical operations  $+$  and  $-$  when  $\theta^{(2)} = \theta^{(3)} = \gamma^{(2)} = \gamma^{(3)} = 0$ , by Remark 1.5, we can obtain  $\mathbb{C}_h \subset \mathbb{Q}_h$ .

Next, we will introduce the quaternion hyper-complex logarithm in the quaternion hyper-complex space.

**Definition 2.2** ([4]). Let  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $q \neq 0$ . We define the quaternion hyper-complex logarithm by

$$\text{Log}^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) := \ln |q| + \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q).$$

**Remark 2.2.** Note that  $e^{\text{Log}^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} = q$  for any nonzero quaternion number  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ . In fact,

$$e^{\text{Log}^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} = e^{\ln |q| + \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} = e^{\ln |q|} e^{\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} = |q| e^{\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q)} = q.$$

**Remark 2.3.** Let  $q, p \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,

$$\arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(q) = (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ and } \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(p) = (\gamma^{(1)}, \gamma^{(2)}, \gamma^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}},$$

then

$$\text{Log}^{\mathbb{Q}}(qp) = \ln |q| + \ln |p| + (\theta^{(1)}, \theta^{(2)}, \theta^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}} \oplus_{\mathbb{Q}} (\gamma^{(1)}, \gamma^{(2)}, \gamma^{(3)})^{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

### 3 The quaternion hyper-complex exponential function and dynamic equation on time scales

**Definition 3.1** ([4]). Let  $t, s \in \mathbb{T}$ ,  $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $1 + \mu(t)f(t) \neq 0$  for any  $t \in \mathbb{T}^\kappa$ , then we define  $\widehat{x}(t, t_0)$  and  $\widetilde{x}(t, t_0)$  as follows:

- (i)  $\widehat{x}(t, s) := e^s \int_s^t \frac{\ln|1+\mu(\tau)f(\tau)|}{\mu(\tau)} \Delta\tau + \int_s^t \frac{1}{\mu(\tau)} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1+\mu(\tau)f(\tau)) \Delta\tau$  if  $\mu(\tau) > 0$  for any  $\tau \in [s, t]_{\mathbb{T}}$ .
- (ii) If  $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{u} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1 + uf(t)) = \Theta(t)$  and  $\Theta(t)$  is an integrable quaternion hyper argument function, then we define

$$\widetilde{x}(t, s) := e^s \int_s^t f_0(\tau) d\tau + \int_s^t \Theta(\tau) d\tau$$

if  $\mu(\tau) = 0$  for any  $\tau \in [s, t]_{\mathbb{T}}$ , where  $f(t) = f_0(t) + f_1(t)i + f_2(t)j + f_3(t)k$ .

Generally, Based on the hyper-complex cylinder transformation  $\xi_{\mu(t)}^{\mathbb{Q}} : \mathbb{Q}_h \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_h^{\mathbb{Q}}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{\mu(t)}^{\mathbb{Q}}(f(t)) &= \chi_{\mu(t)}(f(t)) + \mathbb{A}_{\mu(t)}(f(t)) \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{\ln|1 + \mu(t)f(t)|}{\mu(t)} + \frac{1}{\mu(t)} \cdot \arg^{\mathbb{Q}}(1 + \mu(t)f(t)) & \text{for } \mu(t) > 0, \\ f_0(t) + \Theta(t) & \text{for } \mu(t) = 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

we define the quaternion hyper-complex exponential function by

$$e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(t, s) := e^s \int_s^t \xi_{\mu(\tau)}^{\mathbb{Q}}(f(\tau)) \Delta\tau = e^s \int_s^t \chi_{\mu(\tau)}(f(\tau)) \Delta\tau + \int_s^t \mathbb{A}_{\mu(\tau)}(f(\tau)) \Delta\tau.$$

The following result is valid.

**Theorem 3.1** ([4]). Let  $s, r, t \in \mathbb{T}$ ,  $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $1 + \mu(t)f(t) \neq 0$  for any  $t \in \mathbb{T}^\kappa$ . Then

- (i)  $e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(s, s) = 1$ ;
- (ii)  $e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(t, r)e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(r, s) = e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(t, s)$ ;
- (iii)  $(e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(t, s))^{\Delta} = f(t)e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(t, s)$ ;
- (iv)  $(e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(s, t))^{\Delta} = e_f^{\mathbb{Q}}(s, t)(1 + \mu(t)f(t))^{-1}[-f(t)]$  if  $t$  is a right scattered point on  $\mathbb{T}$ .

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