

Multiple Orthogonal Polynomials

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Rodrigues formula:

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{|\vec{n}|} \prod_{j=1}^r (|\vec{n}| + \alpha_j + \beta + 1)_{n_j} (1-x)^\beta P_{\vec{n}}^{\vec{\alpha},\beta}(x) \\ = \prod_{j=1}^r \left(x^{-\alpha_j} \frac{d^{n_j}}{dx^{n_j}} x^{n_j + \alpha_j} \right) (1-x)^{|\vec{n}| + \beta}. \end{aligned}$$

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Limit relation:

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \beta^{|\vec{n}|} P_{\vec{n}}^{\vec{\alpha},\beta}(x/\beta) = L_{\vec{n}}^{\vec{\alpha}}(x).$$

Recurrence relation:

$$xP_{\vec{n}}(x) = P_{\vec{n}+\vec{e}_k}(x) + b_{\vec{n},k}P_{\vec{n}}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^r a_{\vec{n},j}P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_j}(x)$$

$$a_{\vec{n},j} = \frac{n_j(n_j + \alpha_j)(|\vec{n}| + \beta)}{(|\vec{n}| + n_j + \alpha_j + \beta + 1)(|\vec{n}| + n_j + \alpha_j + \beta)(|\vec{n}| + n_j + \alpha_j + \beta - 1)} \\ \times \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{|\vec{n}| + \alpha_i + \beta}{|\vec{n}| + n_i + \alpha_i + \beta} \prod_{i \neq j} \frac{n_j + \alpha_j - \alpha_i}{n_j - n_i + \alpha_j - \alpha_i}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq r,$$

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Differential equation:

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Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} f(x_{k,2n}) = \int_0^1 f(x) v_2(x) dx,$$

for every continuous function f on $[0, 1]$, where

$$v_2(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3} (1 + \sqrt{1-x})^{1/3} + (1 - \sqrt{1-x})^{1/3}}{4\pi x^{2/3} \sqrt{1-x}}.$$

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where v_r is given by

$$\begin{aligned} v_r(x) &= \frac{r+1}{\pi} \frac{1}{|x'(\varphi)|} \\ &= \frac{r+1}{\pi x} \frac{\sin \varphi \sin r\varphi \sin(r+1)\varphi}{|(r+1) \sin r\varphi - r \sin(r+1)\varphi e^{i\varphi}|^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$x = \frac{(\sin(r+1)\varphi)^{r+1}}{\sin \varphi (\sin r\varphi)^r}, \quad 0 < \varphi < \frac{\pi}{r+1}.$$

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Theorem (Van Assche)

Let $\vec{n} = (\lfloor q_1 n \rfloor, \dots, \lfloor q_r n \rfloor)$, where $q_j > 0$ ($1 \leq j \leq r$) and $q_1 + \dots + q_r = 1$. Suppose

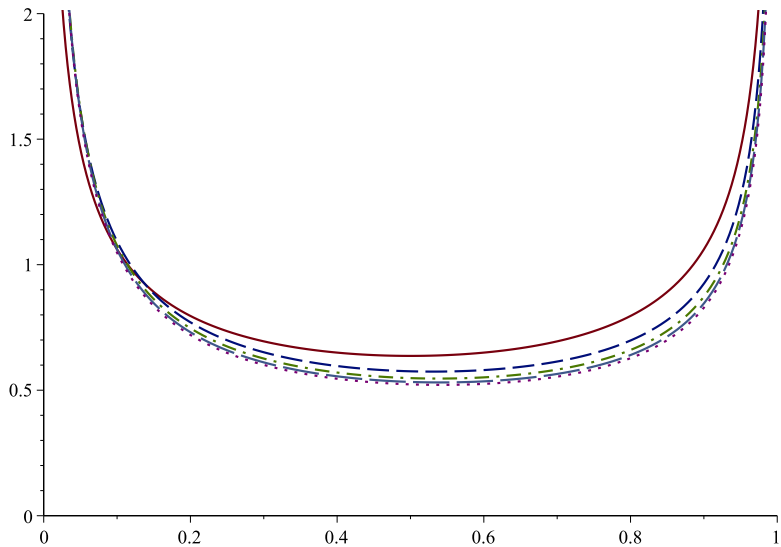
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{\vec{n},j} = a_j, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_{\vec{n},k} = b_j.$$

Then uniformly on compact sets of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P_{\vec{n} + \vec{e}_k}(x)}{P_{\vec{n}}(x)} = z - b_k,$$

where z is the solution of the algebraic equation

$$x - z = \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{a_j}{z - b_j}, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} z - x = 0.$$



$r = 1$ (solid), $r = 2$ (dash), $r = 3$ (dash dot), $r = 4$ (long dash), $r = 5$ (point)

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One problem arises: $\zeta(1) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} = \infty$: additional interpolation conditions are needed, such as

$$A_{\vec{n},1}(1) = 0$$

for type I Hermite-Padé approximation.

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