

Multiple Orthogonal Polynomials

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- ② The boundary values $Y_{\pm}(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0+} Y(x \pm i\epsilon)$ exist for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and satisfy

$$Y_+(x) = Y_-(x) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & w_1(x) & w_2(x) & \cdots & w_r(x) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

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$$Y(z) = \begin{pmatrix} P_{\vec{n}}(z) & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \frac{P_{\vec{n}}(x)w_1(x)}{x-z} dx & \cdots & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \frac{P_{\vec{n}}(x)w_r(x)}{x-z} dx \\ -2\pi i \gamma_1 P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_1}(z) & -\gamma_1 \int \frac{P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_1}(x)w_1(x)}{x-z} dx & \cdots & -\gamma_1 \int \frac{P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_1}(x)w_r(x)}{x-z} dx \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ -2\pi i \gamma_r P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_r}(z) & -\gamma_r \int \frac{P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_r}(x)w_1(x)}{x-z} dx & \cdots & -\gamma_r \int \frac{P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_r}(x)w_r(x)}{x-z} dx \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{\gamma_j} = \frac{1}{\gamma_j(\vec{n})} = \int x^{n_j-1} P_{\vec{n}-\vec{e}_j} w_j(x) dx, \quad 1 \leq j \leq r.$$

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where

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$$\int_a^b x^k \left(A_{n,m}(x) + w(x) B_{n,m}(x) \right) w_1(x) dx = 0, \quad 0 \leq k \leq n+m-2,$$

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This brings in the measure $d\sigma(t) = w_2(t) dt$ on the interval $[c, d]$

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Variational conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}2U(x; \nu_1) - q_1 U(x; \nu_2) &= \ell_1, & x \in [a, b], \\2q_1 U(x; \nu_2) - U(x; \nu_1) &= \ell_2, & x \in [c, d],\end{aligned}$$

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- 4 Behavior near a, b, c, d under control.

Steepest descent for oscillatory Riemann-Hilbert problems

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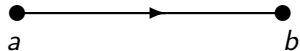
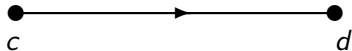
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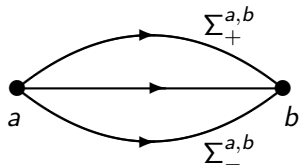
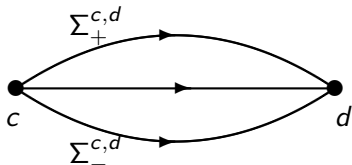
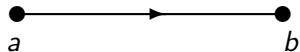
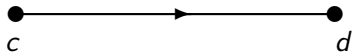
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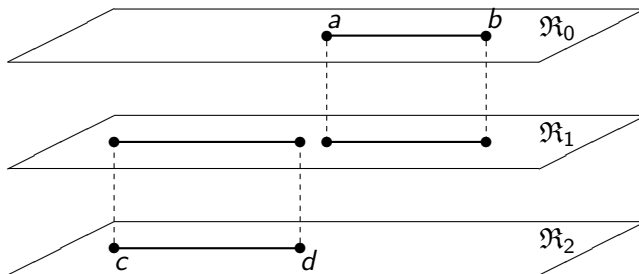
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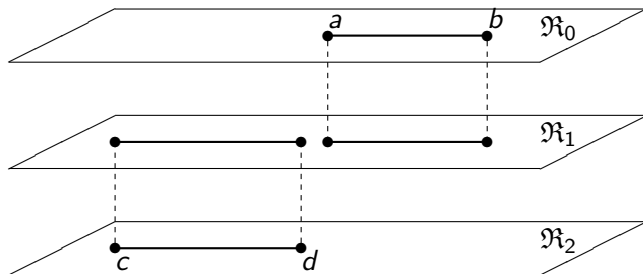
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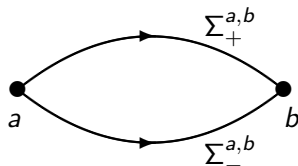
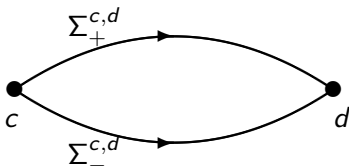
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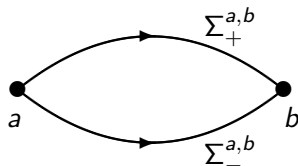
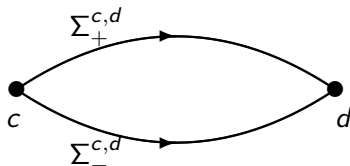
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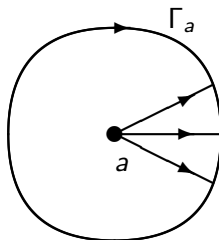
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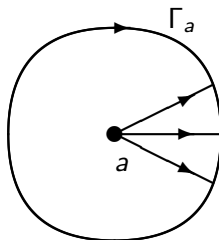
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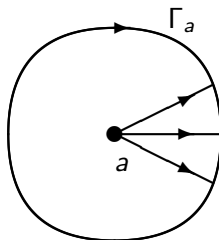
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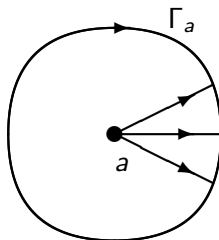


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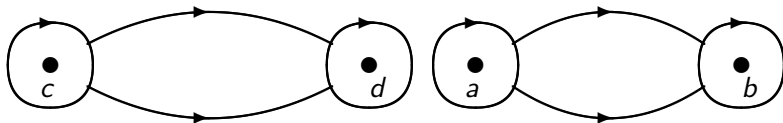
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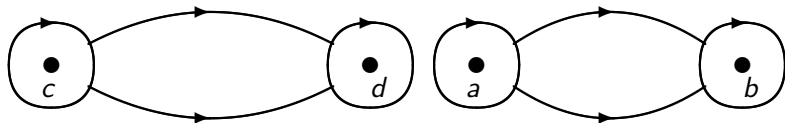
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$$P_{n,m}(z) = \frac{D_0(z)}{D_0(\infty)} N_1(\psi_0(z)) e^{(n+m)g_1(z)}.$$

For x on closed intervals of (a, b) one has

$$P_{n,m}(x) = 2i \frac{|D_0^+(x)|}{D_0(\infty)} [N_1(\psi_0^+(x)) + \mathcal{O}(1/n)] \\ \times \sin\left((n+m)\varphi_1(x) + \arg D_0^+(x)\right).$$

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