

Extensions of discrete classical orthogonal polynomials beyond the orthogonality

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where

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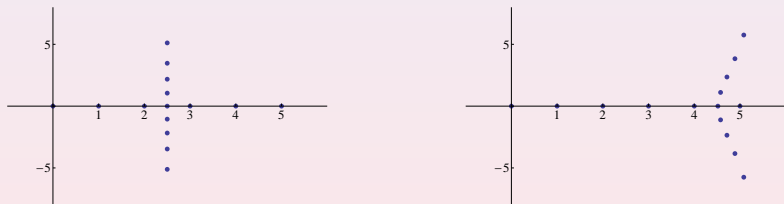


Figure: Zeros of $h_{15}^{1,1}(x; 5)$ (left) and $h_{15}^{1,15}(x; 5)$ (right)

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A characterization Theorem for the Hahn polynomials

Theorem: Let N be a non-negative integer and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ such that: $-\alpha, -\beta \notin \{1, 2, \dots, N, N+2, \dots\}$, and $-\alpha - \beta \notin \{1, 2, \dots, 2N+1, 2N+3, \dots\}$. Then the family of Hahn polynomials is a OPS with respect to the Δ -Sobolev inner product:

$$(f, g)_S = \sum_{x=0}^N f(x)g(x)\rho^{\alpha,\beta}(x; N) + \int_C (\Delta^{N+1}f(z))(\Delta^{N+1}g(z))\omega^{\alpha,\beta}(z; N)dz,$$

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Orthogonality relations for Meixner polynomials with general parameter

The Meixner polynomials and continuous Hahn polynomials are related through the following limit relation:

$$\lim_{|t| \rightarrow \infty} (-i)^n p_n(ix; 0, -t/c, t, \beta) = M_n(x; \beta, c), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Proposition: For any $\beta, c \in \mathbb{C}$, $c \notin [0, \infty)$ and $-\beta \notin \mathbb{N}$, the following property of orthogonality for the Meixner polynomials fulfills:

$$\int_C M_n(z; c, \beta) z^m \Gamma(-z) \Gamma(\beta+z) (-c)^z dz = 0, \quad 0 \leq m < n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where C is a complex contour from $-\infty i$ to ∞i separating the increasing poles $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ from the decreasing poles $\{-\beta, -\beta - 1, -\beta - 2, \dots\}$.

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Finally...

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