

Constructing measures of orthogonality with applications

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- In this talk we focus on usage of \mathfrak{F} for description of the *measure of orthogonality* of orthogonal polynomials.

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for $z, \alpha, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$, $(1-z)q^\gamma \notin q^{-\mathbb{Z}_+}$ and $q \in (0, 1)$, where ${}_1\phi_1$ is *q-confluent hypergeometric function* (proof in [F. Š., P. Šťovíček, LAA, 2013]).

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Typical example: For $x_k = z/(\nu + k - 1)$, the simple recurrence relation for \mathfrak{F} yields the well known formula for Bessel functions:

$$J_{\nu-1}(2z) = \frac{\nu}{z} J_{\nu}(2z) - J_{\nu+1}(2z).$$

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- As one easily verifies by induction, polynomials F_n and G_n can be expressed in terms of \mathfrak{F} ,

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The above limit relation yields the Hurwitz's asymptotic formula for Lommel polynomials

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$$G(\lambda, w; z) = \begin{cases} \psi_\lambda(z)\Phi(\lambda, w; z^{-1}) & \text{if } z \neq 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } z = 0. \end{cases}$$

Assuming $\lambda \in \ell^1(\mathbb{Z}_+)$ and $w \in \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}_+)$, function $G(\lambda, w; \cdot)$ is entire.

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- Furthermore, denoting by μ_k , $k \in \mathbb{N}$, zeros of $G(\lambda, w; \cdot)$, we have the Mittag-Leffler expansion

$$\Lambda_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda_k}{1 - \mu_k^{-1}z} = \frac{G(T\lambda, Tw; z)}{G(\lambda, w; z)}$$

where the convergence of the sum is local uniform in $z \notin \{\mu_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

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