

REMARK ON ORTHOGONAL POLYNOMIALS INDUCED
BY THE MODIFIED CHEBYSHEV MEASURE OF THE
SECOND KIND*

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Abstract. In this note we introduce a system of polynomials $\{\widehat{P}_k\}$ orthogonal with respect to the modified Chebyshev measure of the second kind,

$$d\widehat{\lambda}(t) = \frac{t + \frac{1}{2}c + \frac{1}{c}}{t + \frac{1}{2}c + \frac{1}{2c}} \sqrt{1-t^2} dt, \quad t \in [-1, 1],$$

where c is a positive real number, and determine the coefficients in the corresponding three-term recurrence relation for these polynomials in an analytical form.

1. Introduction

In this note we investigate polynomials orthogonal with respect to the moment functional

$$(1.1) \quad \mathcal{L}(P) = \int_{-1}^1 P(t) \frac{t + \frac{1}{2}c + \frac{1}{c}}{t + \frac{1}{2}c + \frac{1}{2c}} \sqrt{1-t^2} dt, \quad P \in \mathcal{P},$$

where $c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. The special case $c = 1$ has been considered in [4]. To make it more clear, Figure 1 displays graph of the rational part of the weight for $c = \sqrt{2}$. As c tends to 1, the singularity of the rational part tends

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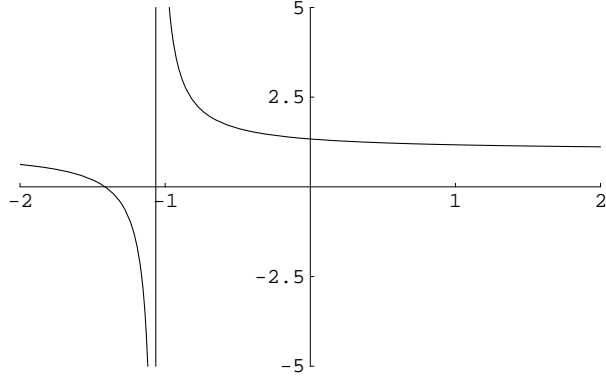


FIG. 1: Graph of the rational part of the weight in (1.1)

to -1 ; when c passes 1, the singularity of the rational part goes back to $-\infty$. Completely symmetric situation appears for $c < 0$. Namely, we can substitute $c := -c$, and after substitution $t := -t$, we get the same linear functional. Therefore, in the rest of this paper we only consider the case $c > 0$. Zero of the rational part is always bigger in modulus than the singularity.

We consider the modified measure

$$d\widehat{\lambda}(t) = \frac{t - \gamma}{t - \delta} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt, \quad t \in [-1, 1],$$

where $\gamma = -\frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{c}$ and $\delta = -\frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{2c}$. We pose the problem of determining the recurrence coefficients $\widehat{\alpha}_k = \alpha_k(d\widehat{\lambda})$, $\widehat{\beta}_k = \beta_k(d\widehat{\lambda})$, from those of the Chebyshev measure of the second kind, for which $\alpha_k = 0$, $\beta_k = 1/4$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\alpha_0 = 0$, $\beta_0 = \pi/2$.

The existence of $\{\widehat{P}_k\}$ is granted, since $d\widehat{\lambda}(t)$ is a positive measure on $[-1, 1]$ having finite moments of all orders

$$\mathcal{L}(t^k) = \int_{-1}^1 t^k \frac{t + \frac{1}{2}c + \frac{1}{c}}{t + \frac{1}{2}c + \frac{1}{2c}} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

The problem is solved in two steps. First, we consider the modification of the Chebyshev measure of the second kind by the linear divisor, for which we are using Algorithm 1 (see the next section). We get the coefficients $\widetilde{\alpha}_k$ and $\widetilde{\beta}_k$. Then, we apply Algorithm 2 (see Section 3), which modifies by linear factor, for computing the coefficients of the three-term recurrence relation for the measure $d\widehat{\lambda}(t)$, we finally get $\widehat{\alpha}_k$ and $\widehat{\beta}_k$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Similar measures, e.g. with the weight function $(1 - t^2)(1 - k^2 t^2)^{-1/2}$, $k^2 < 1$, were studied in [9]. There is also a great number on results for the so-called Szegő-Bernstein weight functions given by

$$w_1(t) = \frac{\rho(t)}{\sqrt{1 - t^2}}, \quad w_2(t) = \rho(t)\sqrt{1 - t^2}, \quad w_3(t) = \rho(t)\sqrt{\frac{1 - t}{1 + t}},$$

where ρ is a polynomial positive on the interval $(-1, 1)$ (see [10], [2]). Similar weight function

$$w(t) = \frac{\sqrt{1 - t^2}}{1 - \mu t^2}, \quad \mu \leq 1,$$

has also been studied in [6]. For the Chebyshev measure of the first kind the same modification has been studied in [7]. Finally, in [1] one may find similar results even when the supporting set has two disjoint components.

2. Linear Divisors

To begin with, we consider a linear divisor

$$d\tilde{\lambda}(t) = \frac{1}{t - \delta} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt, \quad t \in [-1, 1], \quad \delta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [-1, 1],$$

where $\delta = -\frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{2c}$.

In order to be able to apply the modification (see Algorithm 1 given below), we must have the value of the Cauchy integral

$$\rho_0(\delta) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\delta - t} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt, \quad \delta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [-1, 1].$$

Lemma 2.1. *The value of the Cauchy integral is*

$$\rho_0(\delta) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\delta - t} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt = (\sqrt{\delta^2 - 1} + \delta)\pi.$$

Proof. Using the second Euler's substitution $\sqrt{1 - t^2} = 1 + mt$, we get

$$t = -\frac{2m}{1 + m^2}, \quad dt = \frac{2(m^2 - 1)}{(1 + m^2)^2} dm.$$

Now, it follows

$$\int \frac{1}{\delta - t} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt = -2 \int \frac{(m^2 - 1)^2}{(\delta m^2 + 2m + \delta)(1 + m^2)^2} dm,$$

which can be solved as an integral of the rational function. Now, we get

$$\frac{(m^2 - 1)^2}{(\delta m^2 + 2m + \delta)(1 + m^2)^2} = \frac{\delta}{1 + m^2} - \frac{2m}{(1 + m^2)^2} + \frac{1 - \delta^2}{\delta m^2 + 2m + \delta}.$$

The rest of the proof is now obvious. \square

Before proving the next theorem, Algorithm 1 is presented and is going to be used to prove Theorem 1. Both Algorithms 1 and 2 can be found, for example, in [5, p. 123–129].

ALGORITHM 1 (Modification by a linear divisor)

Initialization:

$$(2.1) \quad \tilde{\alpha}_0 = \delta - \frac{\beta_0}{\rho_0(\delta)}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_0 = -\rho_0(\delta), \quad q_0 = -\frac{\beta_0}{\rho_0(\delta)}.$$

Continuation: For $k = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ do

$$(2.2) \quad e_{k-1} = \alpha_{k-1} - \delta - q_{k-1},$$

$$\tilde{\beta}_k = q_{k-1}e_{k-1},$$

$$(2.3) \quad q_k = \beta_k/e_{k-1},$$

$$(2.4) \quad \tilde{\alpha}_k = q_k + e_{k-1} + \delta.$$

Theorem 2.1. *The coefficients of the three-term recurrence relation for the measure*

$$d\tilde{\lambda}(t) = \frac{1}{t + \frac{c}{2} + \frac{1}{2c}} \sqrt{1 - t^2} dt, \quad t \in [-1, 1],$$

are

$$\tilde{\alpha}_0 = -\frac{1}{2c}, \quad \tilde{\alpha}_k = 0 \quad \text{for } k \geq 1$$

and

$$\tilde{\beta}_0 = \frac{\pi}{c}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_k = \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{for } k \geq 1.$$

Proof. The coefficients $\tilde{\alpha}_0$ and $\tilde{\beta}_0$ are computed directly from (2.1). Also, it is useful to compute the coefficients $\tilde{\alpha}_1$ and $\tilde{\beta}_1$ as the basis of mathematical induction. Using Algorithm 1, for $k = 1$ we get

$$\tilde{\alpha}_1 = 0, \quad \tilde{\beta}_1 = \frac{1}{4}.$$

The rest of the proof follows using an induction argument. Thus, let the statement be true for k and we need to prove it for $k + 1$. Combing (2.2) and (2.4) we get

$$\tilde{\alpha}_k = 0 = q_k + e_{k-1} + \delta = q_k - \delta - q_{k-1} + \delta,$$

wherefrom it follows

$$(2.5) \quad q_k = q_{k-1}.$$

Now, from (2.4) we get

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{k+1} = q_{k+1} + e_k + \delta = q_{k+1} - \delta - q_k + \delta = q_{k+1} - q_k.$$

Using (2.3), it follows

$$q_{k+1} = \frac{1}{4e_k},$$

and from (2.5)

$$(2.6) \quad e_k = e_{k-1}.$$

Finally, we get

$$\tilde{\alpha}_k = \frac{1}{4e_{k-1}} - q_k = q_k - q_k = 0.$$

From (2.5) and (2.6), it follows

$$\tilde{\beta}_{k+1} = q_k e_k = q_{k-1} e_{k-1} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

This completes the proof. \square

3. Linear Factors

Let us consider a linear factor

$$d\hat{\lambda}(t) = (t - \gamma)d\tilde{\lambda}(t), \quad t \in [-1, 1], \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [-1, 1],$$

where $\gamma = -\frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{c}$.

Before presenting Algorithm 2, we have to stress that in this algorithm we use already computed coefficients $\tilde{\alpha}_k$ and $\tilde{\beta}_k$ to get the coefficients of the three-term recurrence relation for the measure $d\hat{\lambda}(t)$, $\hat{\alpha}_k$ and $\hat{\beta}_k$, for $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

ALGORITHM 2 (Modification by a linear factor)

Initialization:

$$e_{-1} = 0.$$

Continuation: For $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ do

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} q_k &= \tilde{\alpha}_k - e_{k-1} - \gamma, \\ \tilde{\beta}_k &= (\tilde{\alpha}_0 - \gamma)\tilde{\beta}_0 \quad \text{if } k = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.2) \quad \tilde{\beta}_k = q_k e_{k-1} \quad \text{if } k > 0,$$

$$(3.3) \quad e_k = \tilde{\beta}_{k+1}/q_k,$$

$$(3.4) \quad \hat{\alpha}_k = \gamma + q_k + e_k.$$

Theorem 3.1. *The coefficients of the three-term recurrence relation for the measure*

$$d\hat{\lambda}(t) = \frac{t + \frac{c}{2} + \frac{1}{c}}{t + \frac{c}{2} + \frac{1}{2c}} \sqrt{1-t^2} dt, \quad t \in [-1, 1],$$

are

$$(3.5) \quad \hat{\alpha}_k = -\frac{Apq^k}{(1+pq^k)(1+pq^{k+1})}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0,$$

and

$$(3.6) \quad \hat{\beta}_k = \frac{(1+pq^{k-1})(1+pq^{k+1})}{4(1+pq^k)^2}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

where

$$A = \frac{c^4 + 4}{c(2 + c^2 + \sqrt{c^4 + 4})}, \quad p = \frac{\sqrt{c^4 + 4} - c^2}{\sqrt{c^4 + 4} + c^2}, \quad q = \frac{2 + c^2 - \sqrt{c^4 + 4}}{2 + c^2 + \sqrt{c^4 + 4}}.$$

Proof. First, we prove that

$$(3.7) \quad e_k = \frac{2 + c^2 - \sqrt{c^4 + 4}}{4c} \frac{1 + pq^k}{1 + pq^{k+1}}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0,$$

wherefrom the rest of the statement of this theorem follows directly. The proof is given by induction. For $k = 0$ from (3.7) we have $e_0 = c/(2+2c^2)$ that we can also obtain from Algorithm 2, putting $k = 0$. So, let the statement be true for $k-1$. From (3.1) and (3.3) it follows

$$(3.8) \quad e_k = \frac{1/4}{q_k} = -\frac{1}{4(e_{k-1} + \gamma)}.$$

Using elementary calculus we get

$$-4 \left(\frac{2 + c^2 - \sqrt{c^4 + 4}}{4c} \cdot \frac{1 + pq^{k-1}}{1 + pq^k} - \frac{c}{2} - \frac{1}{c} \right) = \frac{4c}{2 + c^2 - \sqrt{c^4 + 4}} \cdot \frac{1 + pq^{k+1}}{1 + pq^k}.$$

The term on the right side of the previous equation is $1/e_k$, which is exactly stated in (3.8).

From (3.2) and (3.3) it follows

$$\widehat{\beta}_k = q_k e_{k-1} = \frac{\widetilde{\beta}_{k+1}}{e_k} e_{k-1} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{e_{k-1}}{e_k},$$

which is exactly (3.6).

Now, (3.5) is a direct consequence of (3.4) and (3.7). \square

4. Explicit Expression for Polynomials \widehat{P}_n

Using the following two theorems we give explicit expression for the polynomial system $\{\widehat{P}_n\}$.

Theorem 4.1. *The polynomial system orthogonal with respect to the measure $d\widetilde{\lambda}(t)$ is given by*

$$\widetilde{P}_k(x) = U_k(x) - \widetilde{\alpha}_0 U_{k-1}(x),$$

where $\widetilde{\alpha}_0 = -1/(2c)$ and U_n is the Chebyshev polynomial of the second kind, defined by (see [8])

$$U_n(\cos \theta) = \frac{\sin(n+1)\theta}{\sin \theta}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

Proof. The statement is true for $k = 1$ and $k = 2$. Indeed, we have

$$\widetilde{P}_1(x) = (x - \widetilde{\alpha}_0) \widetilde{P}_0(x) = x - \widetilde{\alpha}_0 = U_1(x) - \widetilde{\alpha}_0 U_0(x)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{P}_2(x) &= (x - \widetilde{\alpha}_1) \widetilde{P}_1(x) - \widetilde{\beta}_1 \widetilde{P}_0(x) = x(U_1(x) - \widetilde{\alpha}_0 U_0(x)) - \beta_1 U_0 \\ &= xU_1(x) - \beta_1 U_0(x) - \widetilde{\alpha}_0 x U_0(x) = U_2(x) - \widetilde{\alpha}_0 U_1(x). \end{aligned}$$

Let the statement be true for $k - 1$ and k , and we need to prove it for $k + 1$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{P}_{k+1}(x) &= (x - \tilde{\alpha}_k)\tilde{P}_k(x) - \tilde{\beta}_k\tilde{P}_{k-1}(x) \\ &= (x - \tilde{\alpha}_k)(U_k(x) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_{k-1}(x)) - \tilde{\beta}_k(U_{k-1}(x) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_{k-2}(x)) \\ &= (xU_k(x) - \tilde{\beta}_kU_{k-1}(x)) - \tilde{\alpha}_0(xU_{k-1}(x) - \beta_kU_{k-2}(x)) \\ &= U_{k+1}(x) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_k(x). \quad \square\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can express directly our polynomial system $\{\hat{P}_n\}$, using Chebyshev polynomials of the second kind $\{U_n\}$.

Theorem 4.2. *Let $d\tilde{\lambda}(t)$ be quasi-definite and $\gamma = -\frac{1}{2}c - \frac{1}{c}$ be such that $\tilde{P}_k(\gamma) \neq 0$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $d\hat{\lambda}(t) = (t - \gamma)d\tilde{\lambda}(t)$. Then $d\hat{\lambda}(t)$ is also quasi-definite and polynomials $\{\hat{P}_n\}$ are the monic formal orthogonal polynomials with respect to $d\hat{\lambda}(t)$, and can be expressed in the form*

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{P}_n(t, \gamma) &= \frac{\tilde{P}_{n+1}(t) - \frac{\tilde{P}_{n+1}(\gamma)}{\tilde{P}_n(\gamma)}\tilde{P}_n(t)}{t - \gamma} \\ &= \frac{U_{n+1}(t) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_n(t) - \frac{U_{n+1}(\gamma) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_n(\gamma)}{U_n(\gamma) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_{n-1}(\gamma)}(U_n(t) - \tilde{\alpha}_0U_{n-1}(t))}{t - \gamma}.\end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof of this theorem is a consequence of Theorem 1.55 from [5, p. 38]. \square

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