

# Method of series expansions for orthogonal polynomials

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The aim of this talk is to communicate an idea that, **in some instances**, can be used to extricate the asymptotic behavior of  $\{p_n(z)\}$  out of its reproducing kernel

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The reproducing property is that

$$Q(z) = \int K(z, \zeta) Q(\zeta) d\mu(\zeta)$$

for every polynomial  $Q$ .

The method has its own limitations, but I believe some ideas will be fruitful in contexts other than those discussed here.

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Sometimes, the polynomials are a dense subset of some Hilbert space of analytic functions in which point evaluation functionals  $f \mapsto f(\zeta)$  are bounded and the unique function  $K(z, \zeta)$  such that

$$f(\zeta) = \langle f, K(\cdot, \zeta) \rangle$$

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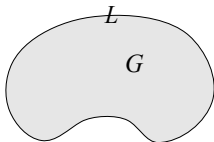
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- If  $d\mu = \frac{1}{\pi}|D(z)|^2|\prod_{k=1}^m(z-a_k)|^2|dz|$  on  $|z|=1$ , with  $|a_k|<1$ , then

$$K(z,\zeta) = \frac{1}{[1-z\bar{\zeta}]^2 D(z)\overline{D(\zeta)}} \frac{1}{[\prod_{k=1}^m(1-\bar{a}_k z)(1-a_k\bar{\zeta})]}$$

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- If  $d\mu = \frac{1}{\pi}dA$  is the area measure restricted to the interior  $G$  of some Jordan curve  $L$ , then



$$K(z, \zeta) = \frac{\varphi(z)\overline{\varphi(\zeta)}}{[1 - \varphi(z)\overline{\varphi(\zeta)}]^2}, \quad z, \zeta \in G,$$

where  $\varphi$  is any conformal map of  $G$  onto the unit disk  $|z| < 1$ .

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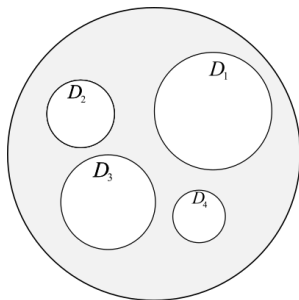
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Some notation we will use:

$$\mathbb{D}_r := \{z : |z| < r\}, \quad \mathbb{T}_r := \{z : |z| = r\}$$

# Circular Multiply Connected Domains (CMCDs)

Let  $\mathbb{D}_1$  be the unit disk, and let  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_N$  be  $N \geq 1$  closed disks inside the unit disk that lie exterior to each other:



Consider the multiply connected domain

$$\mathcal{D} := \mathbb{D}_1 \setminus \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^N D_k \right).$$

We refer to  $\mathcal{D}$  as a *circular multiply connected domain*, or a CMCD.

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Then, we consider polynomials  $p_n(z)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , orthonormal over  $\mathcal{D}$ :

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We want to understand how  $p_n(z)$  behaves as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .



# Construction of expansions

Let  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta)$  be some modified Cauchy kernel, meaning that

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta) = \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta)}{\zeta - z}$$

where  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta)$  is analytic in each variable for  $\zeta$  in some annulus  $\rho < |\zeta| < 1/\rho$  and  $z$  is some open disk  $|z| < 1/\rho$ ,  $\rho < 1$ .

For instance, we could take  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta) = A(\zeta)B(z)$  the product of two entire functions.

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$$f_{n,2k+2}(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{\zeta^{-n} f_{n,2k+1}(\zeta)_-}{\zeta - z} d\zeta, \quad |z| \neq 1$$

Then, one can prove that for all  $n$  sufficiently large,

$$\mathcal{P}_n(z) := \begin{cases} z^n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f_{n,2k}(z), & |z| > 1, \\ - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f_{n,2k+1}(z), & |z| < 1, \end{cases}$$

is a monic polynomial of degree  $n$ , and so is

$$\frac{\mathcal{P}'_{n+1}(z)}{n+1}$$

as well.

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If we now choose

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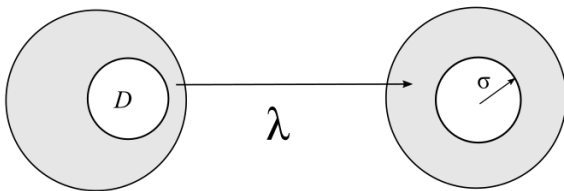
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will do. Now our task is to find

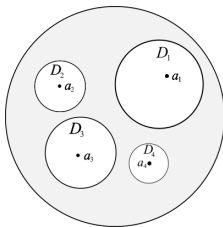
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There is a unique automorphism  $\lambda$  of the unit disk of the form

$$\lambda(z) = \frac{z - a}{1 - z\bar{a}}$$

such that  $\lambda(D)$  is a disk centered at the origin.



For each  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ , let



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be such that  $\lambda_k(D_k)$  is a disk centered at the origin.

- $\sigma_k$  denotes the radius of  $\lambda_k(D_k)$ , and
- $\lambda_k^{-1}$  denotes the inverse of  $\lambda_k$ .



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$$\tau = T_{k_n} T_{k_{n-1}} \cdots T_{k_2} T_{k_1}, \quad 1 \leq k_i \leq N, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

together with  $\tau_0(z) = z$ .

Here, each function  $\tau$  as above is a Möbius transformation that takes  $\mathbb{D}$  into  $D_{k_n}$ .

Let

$$\mathcal{T}_k = \{\tau : \tau = T_k \cdots\}, \quad k = 1, \dots, N.$$

Let

$$\rho := \max\{|a_k| : 1 \leq k \leq N\}$$

### Theorem

*The series  $\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} |\tau'(z)|$  converges for all  $|z| < 1/\rho$  and*

$$\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta) = \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{\tau'(z)}{[1 - \tau(z)\bar{\zeta}]^2}, \quad z, \zeta \in \mathbb{D}_1.$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta) = \frac{\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, 1/\bar{\zeta})}{\zeta^2}$$

can be accomplished by choosing, for instance,

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{D}}(z, \zeta) := \frac{1}{\zeta} \cdot \frac{z}{\zeta - z} + \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}^*} \left[ \frac{1}{\zeta - \tau(0)} \cdot \frac{\tau(z) - \tau(0)}{\zeta - \tau(z)} \right].$$

where

$$\mathcal{T}^* = \mathcal{T} \setminus \{\tau_0\}$$

Then, after some work using the series expansions, we can get the following results.

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*For  $n$  sufficiently large, we have*

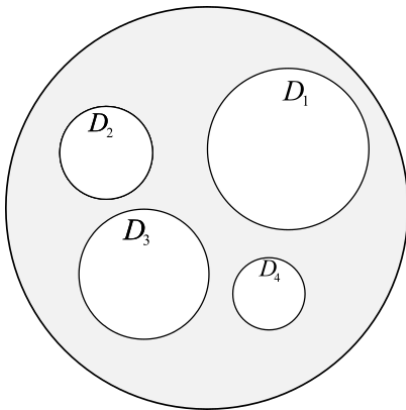
$$P_n(z) = \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} [\tau(z)]^n \tau'(z) [1 + o(1)], \quad z \in \mathbb{D}_{1/\rho},$$

*locally uniformly as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $\mathbb{D}_{1/\rho}$ . Equivalently,*

$$P_n(z) = z^n \cdot [1 + o(1)] + \sum_{j=1}^N P_n(T_j(z)) T_j'(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}_{1/\rho}.$$

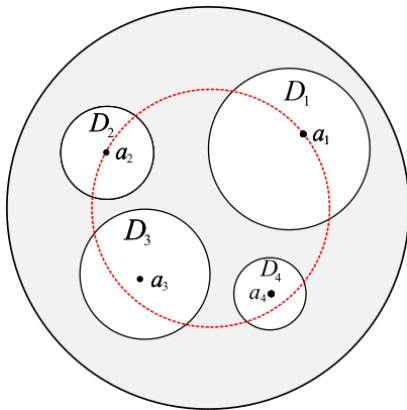
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(i) For all  $r \in (\rho, \rho^{-1})$ ,

$$\frac{P_n(z)}{z^n} = 1 + O(\eta_r^n), \quad |z| \geq r,$$

where

$$\eta_r := r^{-1} \max_{1 \leq j \leq s, |z|=r} |T_j(z)| < 1.$$

(ii) When  $|z| = \rho$  but  $z \notin \{a_1, \dots, a_s\}$ ,

$$\frac{P_n(z)}{z^n} = 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right),$$

while for  $z = a_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq s$ ,

$$\frac{P_n(a_j)}{a_j^n} = \frac{1}{1 - \sigma_j^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$



For the asymptotics on  $|z| < \rho$ , we need a few items:

$$\theta_j := \text{Arg } a_j, \quad \beta_j := \frac{1}{a_j} - a_j, \quad \mathcal{T}_j := \{T_j \tau : \tau \in \mathcal{T}\}$$

$$\mathcal{H} := \{z : \text{Re}(z) < 0\}$$

For each  $1 \leq j \leq s$ , we define

$$\Theta_j(t) := t \sum_{v \in \mathbb{Z}} \sigma_j^{2v} \exp(\overline{\beta_j} \sigma_j^{2v} t), \quad t \in e^{i\theta_j} \mathcal{H}$$

and

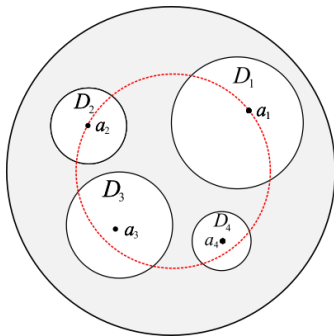
$$\mathcal{J}_{j,n}(z) := - \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T} \setminus \mathcal{T}_j} \frac{\lambda'_j(\tau(z))}{\lambda_j(\tau(z))} \Theta_j(n\lambda_j(\tau(z))) \tau'(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}_\rho.$$

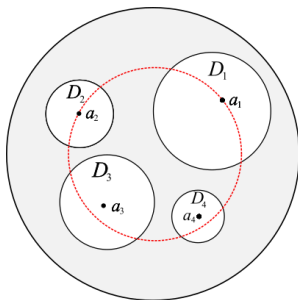
The functions  $\mathcal{J}_{j,n}$  are bounded on compacts of  $\mathbb{D}_\rho$ .

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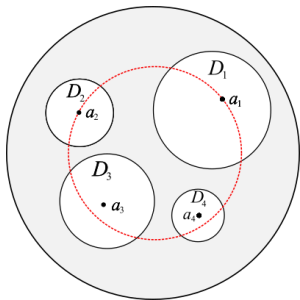
$$\frac{nP_n(z)}{\rho^n} = (1 - \rho^2) \sum_{j=1}^s e^{in\theta_j} g_{j,n}(z) + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$





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Given a subsequence  $\{n_k\} \subset \mathbb{N}$ , the sequence  $\{\Theta_1(n_k t)\}$  converges normally on  $\operatorname{Re}(t) < 0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle \log_{\sigma_1^2} n_k \rangle = q \in [0, 1),$$

in which case

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Theta_1(n_k t) = \Theta_1(\sigma_1^{2q} t)$$

and thus by the asymptotic representation,

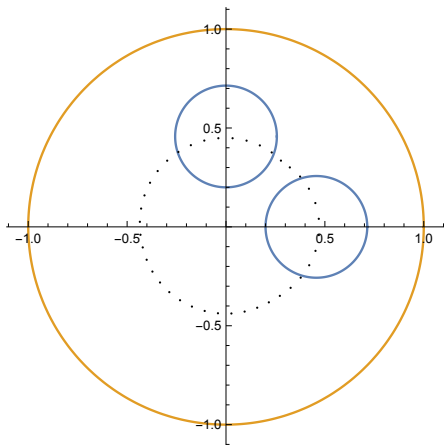
$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n_k P_{n_k}(z)}{a_1^{n_k}} = - \frac{\lambda_1'(z)(1 - a_1^2)}{\lambda_1(z)} \Theta_1(\sigma_1^{2q} \lambda_1(z)).$$

Thus, the sequence  $\{na_1^{-n}P_n(z)\}$  has for normal limit points on  $|z| < a_1$  the continuous one-parameter family of functions

$$\left\{ -\frac{\lambda'(z)(1-a_1^2)}{\lambda_1(z)}\Theta_1(\sigma_1^{2q}\lambda_1(z)) : q \in [0,1) \right\}.$$

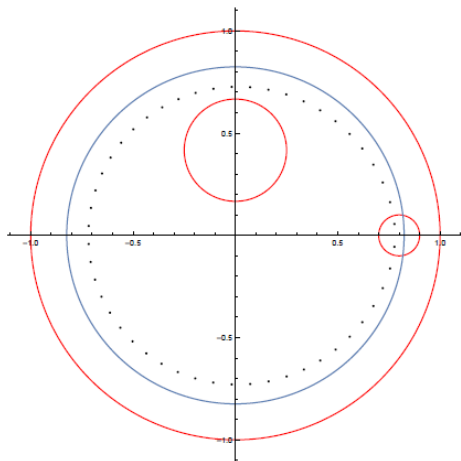
How about the zeros of  $P_n$ ?

Most of them will accumulate toward the circle  $|z| = \rho$ .



Zeros of  $P_n$  for  $n = 40$





Zeros of  $P_n$  for  $n = 50$

Thank you!