

On coherence relations between quasi-definite linear functionals and Sobolev orthogonal polynomials

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Abstract: In this talk we consider the non-coherence relation

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n+1}^{[i]}(x) + a_n^{[1]}P_n^{[i]}(x) + a_n^{[2]}P_{n-1}^{[i]}(x) + b_n(Q_{n+1}(x) + c_nQ_n(x)) \\ = (1 + b_n)R_{n+1}(x) + d_nR_n(x), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where the sequences $\{P_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$, $\{Q_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$ and $\{R_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$ are orthogonal with respect to quasi-definite linear functionals u , v and w , respectively, with $P_k^{[i]}(x) := \frac{P_{k+i}^{(i)}(x)}{(k+1)^i}$, $i = 0, 1$, and $a_n^{[i]}b_nc_nd_n(1 + b_n) \neq 0$, $n \geq 0$. Furthermore the linear functionals u and v are related through the rational relation $\rho u = v$ where $\deg \rho > 1$. We pointed out that (??) is linked to the concept of *symmetric (1, 1)-coherent pairs* and, under certain conditions on the linear functionals, it can become a coherence relation. Under such conditions, we analyze an inverse problem associated with (??) as well as a direct problem where $i = 1$, $a_n^{[2]}, c_n, d_n = 0$ and $b_n = 1$, for $n \geq 0$. Thereby we exhibit conditions under which the sequence $\{R_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$ is orthogonal with respect to a Borel positive measure μ supported on an infinite subset on the real line. The case when $\{Q_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$ and $\{P_n(x)\}_{n \geq 0}$ are the classical Chebyshev polynomials of the first and second kinds, respectively, is studied, as well as algebraic properties of the monic *Sobolev* polynomials, orthogonal with respect to the *Sobolev inner product*

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p, q \rangle_S &= \int_{-1}^1 p(x)q(x)(1-x^2)^{-1/2}dx + \lambda_1 \int_{-1}^1 p'(x)q'(x)(1-x^2)^{1/2}dx \\ &+ \lambda_2 \int_{-1}^1 p''(x)q''(x)d\mu(x), \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$.