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#### March 22-26, 2010

Recent Advances in Function Related Operator Theory, Rincon, Puerto Rico http://www.albany.edu/rafrot/

#### May 13-15, 2010

International Conference Devoted to the Memory of Academician M. Kravchuk (1892-1942) National Technical University of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine kravchukconf@yandex.ru

#### May 27-28, 2010

From A = B to Z = 60, a conference in honor of Doron Zeilberger's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ, USA 16.5 #1 http://math.rutgers.edu/events/Z60/

#### June 1-4, 2010

Conference on Random matrices, Centre de Mathématiques de Jussieu / Chevaleret, Paris, France

http://www.cmapx.polytechnique.fr/~benaych/conference/page\_con

#### June 14-18, 2010

Symmetries and Integrability of Difference Equations SIDE-9, Varna, Bulgaria

http://old.inrne.bas.bg/SIDE-9/

#### June 21-23, 2010

Conference on Special Functions and their Applications - CSFA 2010, Gwalior, India

http://www.ssfaindia.webs.com/conf.htm

#### June 21-25, 2010

"Functions and Operators", Krakow, Poland. http://www.im.uj.edu.pl/fao2010

#### June 24-27, 2010

ACA'10, Applications of Computer Algebra, including Special session on Computation of Special Functions, Vlore, Albania http://aca2010.info/index.php/aca2010/aca2010

#### July 4-7, 2010

Seventh international conference on Lattice Path Combinatorics and Applications, Siena, Italy http://www.unisi.it/eventi/lattice\_path\_2010

#### July 4-9, 2010

First Jaen Conference on Approximation, Ubeda, Spain 17.2 #4 http://www.ujaen.es/revista/jja

#### July 5-9, 2010

Orthogonal Polynomials in Probability Theory, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, USA 17.1 #1 http://www.math.tamu.edu/~manshel/OPPT/main.html

#### July 12-15, 2010

OPW - Orthogonal Polynomials, applications in Statistics and Stochastic Processes, Warwick, UK 17.2 #5 http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/statistics/crism/workshops/orthogonal -polynomials

#### July 12-16, 2010

SIAM Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA http://www.siam.org/meetings/an10/index.php

## July 12-16, 2010

International Workshop on Operator Theory and its Applications (IWOTA 2010), Technische Universität Berlin, Germany http://www3.math.tu-berlin.de/iwota\_2010/

#### July 19-23, 2010

16th International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications, Riga, Latvia http://icdea2010.lu.lv/

#### July 25 - 28, 2010

International Symposium on Symbolic and Algebraic Computation (ISSAC 2010), Technische Universität München, München, Germany http://www.issac-conference.org/2010/

#### August 2-6, 2010

Formal Power Series and Algebraic Combinatorics 2010 San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA, USA http://math.sfsu.edu/fpsac

#### August 16-December 17, 2010

MSRI Future Scientific Programs: Random Matrix Theory, Interacting Particle Systems and Integrable Systems Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley, California www.msri.org/calendar/programs/ProgramInfo/259/show\_program

#### August 19-27, 2010

International Congress of Mathematicians, Hyderabad, India http://www.icm2010.org.in/

#### September 13-17, 2010

Random Matrix Theory and Its Applications I Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley, California www.msri.org/calendar/workshops/WorkshopInfo/508/show\_workshop

#### September 17-19, 2010

Symmetry, Separation, Super-integrability and Special Functions (S4) Conference, in honor of Willard Miller on the occasion of his retirement, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA, 16.6 #1 http://math.umn.edu/conferences/s4/

#### September 20-21, 2010

MSRI-Connections for Women: An Introduction to Random Matrices Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley, California www.msri.org/calendar/workshops/WorkshopInfo/509/show\_workshop

#### October 10-15, 2010

New Perspectives in Univariate and Multivariate Orthogonal Polynomials, Banff International Research Station, Alberta, Canada 17.2 #6 http://www.birs.ca/birspages.php?task=displayevent&event\_id=10w5061

#### December 6-10, 2010

MSRI-Random Matrix Theory and its Applications II Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley, California http://www.msri.org/calendar/workshops/WorkshopInfo/517/show\_workshop

#### January 3-5, 2011

ICMS-2011, International Conference on Mathematical Sciences in honour of Profesor A. M. Mathai, Kottayam, Kerala, India 17.2 #10 See page 20 of this issue

## June 5-11, 2011

Computational Complex Analysis and Approximation Theory (CCAAT 2011). in honor of Professor Nicolas Papamichael, Protaras, Cyprus

http://www.cyprusconferences.org/ccaat/

# Topic #1 ------ OP-SF NET 17.2 ------ March 15, 2010

From: Francisco J. Marcellán pacomarc@ing.uc3m.es Subject: Message from the Chair

Dear members of SIAG OPSF:

Following the ideas mentioned in my November message (OP-SF NET 16.6, Topic #1) we have submitted the following proposals to SIAM:

1. - Gabor Szegő Award

As you know, several SIAM Activity Groups promote special awards for researchers of their fields of activity. From our SIAG we have submitted to the President of SIAM the following proposals for consideration:

1.1.- Candidates for the Gabor Szegő Award must not be more 10 years from the defense of the PhD Thesis.

1.2.- According to the standard practices with other SIAG awards, SIAM will provide a plaque or certificate, but no cash award.

1.3.- The Selection Committee would be composed of the Chairman of our OPSF SIAG, two people proposed by our officers and two people from the Organizing Committee of OPSFA. We will respect gender rules for the composition of the Committee.

1.4.- Candidates must be nominated by two members of the SIAG and submit their CVs to be considered.

1.5.- An invited lecture in an OPSFA meeting , "The Gabor Szegő Lecture", together with a formal presentation ceremony of the prize is proposed.

The tentative timetable for the procedure will be from October 2010 (deadline for submission of applications) to February 2011 (the decision of the Committee). Your comments in order to improve the proposal would be welcome.

#### 2.- Services provided by our SIAG

First of all, our SIAG newsletter is our most visible activity of SIAG. As a consequence of the excellent work done by Diego Dominici and Martin Muldoon (thanks Diego and Martin) we receive every two months updated information concerning activities related to our fields of research interest. A more intensive feedback is needed in order to receive opinions about people attending meetings, job positions, book information, as well about mathematical problems.

Second, some other ways for internal and external communication are OPSF-Web, and OPSF-Talk.

OPSF-Net is a one-way information service (electronic newsletter) from the leadership to the membership via SIAM headquarters, but mirrored and archived for use by the general public at NIST and University of Amsterdam.

OPSF-Web is a place where the general public can find relevant information in several categories: names of current SIAG officers, the official SIAM membership list, conference calendar, links to the OPSF-Net archives and the OPSF-Talk archive, conference reports and proceedings, bibliographies, obituaries, positions available, and several other categories. As noted by others, OPSF-Web was created a long time ago and needs to be rejuvenated. The categories need to be reconsidered, and a more modern interface designed that is not just a long list of links. Bonita Saunders, our Webmaster, has begun to develop some ideas in this direction. Like OPSF-Net, OPSF-Web is a one-way information service. However, Bonita would like to develop a capability for the general public to enter relevant information directly into a form at the website, for example announcing job openings. (To avoid spam, the entries would need to be read and approved, and possibly edited, by a moderator before being released publicly.) She has begun to develop other ideas also, partly by looking at some of the other available websites that function as information services. I asked her not to make any substantive changes without prior approval from us, and suggested that we might ask her for a brief written proposal of her planned approach.

OPSF-Talk is a true two-way communication device (a listserv), but moderated to avoid spam. Originally it was intended as a way for people to ask for solutions or insights into technical questions but it has not been used very much. The immediacy of email, as opposed to clicking into a website, is a real advantage in drawing people's attention to new information, especially time-critical information such as job openings. A website is better for longer-term and archival purposes.

We have decided to transfer the distribution of OPSF-Talk from NIST to SIAM. One advantage for us is that SIAM will make sure the active membership of our group is always up to date on the mailing list. Also, we will have the authority to add anyone else. As moderators of OPSF-Talk we have named Diego Dominici and Bonita Saunders who have agreed to serve our community in this relevant role (thanks Diego and Bonita).

Taking into account our SIAG must increase its activity in SIAM as a proof of our commitment, we will very please to receive your comments and remarks about these two points.

Sincerely yours, Paco Marcellán, Chair of SIAG on OPSF.

# Topic #2 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: Francisco J. Marcellán pacomarc@ing.uc3m.es Subject: Grants for postgraduates and postdocs in Spain

In the near future (March-April 2010) there will be available three positions (postgraduate positions for preparing a PhD thesis) in Orthogonal Polynomials and Approximation Theory. One of these fellowships is to work in in the group led by Paco Marcellán and Guillermo López Lagomasino in Madrid, and the other two, for preparing the PhD thesis in Seville in the group led by Antonio Durán. The duration of these positions is 4 years. Also in Seville, there will be available a postdoc position for two years.

Those interested please, as soon as possible, contact Guillermo López Lagomasino (in Madrid (http://gama.uc3m.es/) at lago@math.uc3m.es and Antonio Durán (in Sevilla http://euler.us.es/~opap/) at duran@us.es

## Topic #3 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Computation of Special Functions at ACA'10 During ACA'10, Applications of Computer Algebra, to be held in Vlore, Albania, during June 24-27, 2010, there will be a special session on Computation of Special Functions, organized by Diego Dominici and Veronika Pillwein. From the announcement:

"A possible way of defining the so-called "special functions" is to choose those mathematical functions which are widely used in scientific and technical applications, and of which many useful properties are known.

"A familiar classification of special functions is by increasing complexity, starting with polynomials and algebraic functions and progressing through the "elementary" or "lower" transcendental functions (logarithms, exponentials, trigonometric, etc.) to the "higher" transcendental functions (Bessel, parabolic cylinder, etc.) Special functions are used in all fields of science. The most wellknown application areas are physics, engineering, chemistry and computer science. Because of their importance, several books and a large collection of papers have been devoted to the numerical computation of these functions. But up to this date, even environments such as Maple, Mathematica, MATLAB and libraries such as IMSL, CERN and NAG offer no routines for the reliable evaluation of special functions. Here the notion of reliable indicates that, together with the function evaluation, a guaranteed upper bound on the total error or, equivalently, an enclosure for the exact result, is computed. At the same time, recently developed methods in symbolic computation are applied for the simplification and evaluation of quantities involving special functions.

"Many years ago proving special function identities was a tedious and error prone task which required long training and structural insight. Nowadays, scientists may choose among a variety of algorithms that are up to fulfilling the task of finding closed form expressions or reducing complexity by delivering a compact description in terms of difference or differential relations. With these programs, dealing with special functions is straight-forward, efficient and reliable.

"The goal of this session will be to understand the latest developments in the computation of special functions and the implementation of these procedures using computer algebra."

For further information on ACA'10, see: http://aca2010.info/index.php/aca2010/aca2010

Topic #4 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: Francisco J. Marcellán pacomarc@ing.uc3m.es Subject: First Jaén Conference on Approximation

The First Jaén Conference on Approximation will be held in Úbeda, Spain during July 4-9, 2010.

The aim of this conference is to provide a useful and pleasant forum for researchers in the relevant subjects. In this sense, the conference program has been designed to keep the group together for five days with a program of scientific and social activities.

The Conference will focus on some significant aspects of Approximation Theory, Computer Aided Geometric Design, and Numerical Methods as well as on the applications of these fields in other areas.

The Conference will take place at the Cultural Center "Hospital de Santiago" in Úbeda, a World Heritage Site.

The Conference will feature eight invited speakers who will give one-hour plenary talks. The confirmed invited speakers are F. Altomare (Università di Bari, Italy), C. Brezinski (Université de Lille I, France), N. Dyn (Tel Aviv University, Israel), D. S. Lubinsky (Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, USA) C. A. Micchelli (University of Albany, USA), J. M. Sanz-Serna (Universidad de Valladolid, Spain), V. Totik (University of South Florida, Tampa, USA - University of Szeged, Hungary), Yuan Xu (University of Oregon, USA)

The conference will include a special session dedicated to Prof. Mariano Gasca on the occasion of his retirement. Prof. Mariano Gasca, is closely related to Jaén. He was the first Director of the Jaén branch of the University of Granada as well as he is a member of the editorial board of Jaen Journal on Approximation, a member of the Scientific Committee of Úbeda Meeting on Approximation and he has many academic descendants in Jaén.

For further information, see http://www.ujaen.es/revista/jja

## Topic #5 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Warwick Workshop on Orthogonal Polynomials

A workshop **OPW** - **Orthogonal Polynomials, applications in Statistics and Stochastic Processes**, will be held in Warwick, UK, July 12-15, 2010.

From the Workshop web site:

This workshop aims to bring together a wide variety of scientists that have made important contributions to the theory and applications of Orthogonal Polynomials, with the purpose of investigating the frontiers of the theory and the possibilities of its extension and further applicability in Statistics and Probability. Topics that are aimed to be covered include (but are not limited to): Canonical correlation analysis for copulae; Hypergroups and Spectral analysis of discrete and continuous stochastic processes; Random Matrices and Random Covariance Functions.

The workshop will host 18 invited speakers

Igor Borisov (Sobolev Inst.), Persi Diaconis (Stanford), Stephen Evans (Berkeley), Patrik Ferrari (Bonn), Bob Griffiths (Oxford), Mourad Ismail (UCF), Kshitij Khare (USF), Angelo Koudou (Nancy), Arno Kuijlaars (Louvain), Rupert Lasser (München), Gerard Letac (Toulouse), Neil O'Connell (Warwick), Eric Rains (CalTech), Evgeny Strahov (Jerulasem), Ryszard Szwarc (Wroclaw), Pierre Van Moerbecke (Louvain) (to confirm), Michael Voit (Dortmund), Jacek Wesolowski (Warsaw).

and will be open to contributed talks and posters. We aim to provide support for career-young researchers willing to participate.

## Workshop organizers:

Persi Diaconis (Stanford) Bob Griffiths (Oxford) Dario Spanò (Warwick), Chair Jon Warren (Warwick) Nikos Zygouras (Warwick)

For further information, see http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/statistics/crism/workshops/orthogonal -polynomials

Topic #6 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject : BIRS Workshop on Multivariate Orthogonal Polynomials

A conference "New Perspectives in Univariate and Multivariate Orthogonal Polynomials", will be held at the Banff International Research Station, Alberta, Canada during October 10-15 2010.

## From the conference web site

**Organizers**: Plamen Iliev (Georgia Institute of Technology), Tom Bloom (University of Toronto), Jeffrey Geronimo (Georgia Institute of Technology), Doron Lubinsky (Georgia Institute of Technology), Edward Saff (Vanderbilt University).

### Objectives of Workshop

The focus of the conference will be univariate and multivariate orthogonal polynomials, especially their spectral theory, and asymptotic behavior. The aim is to bring together experts who have different approaches to these questions – for example those using pluripotential theory and those using real multivariate techniques, as well as those involved in spectral theory and asymptotics in the univariate case. Most orthogonal polynomial workshops have tended to separate real techniques from complex ones, and univariate from multivariate perspectives. There has not been any meeting focusing on this cross-section of researchers in these varying directions in the past few years. We expect the communication of ideas and methods from these different approaches will encourage new techniques and research across several topics.

Program of the Workshop

There will be about 6 one hour long talks and 30 half hour talks. There will be ample time in between for questions, and discussion. There will be a focused problem session during the conference – probably half way though, so that participants can consider these for a few days during their stay in Banff.

Relevance, Importance and Timeliness

In recent years, asymptotics and spectral theory of orthogonal polynomials have been used to study random matrices, combinatorial questions, Toda lattices, discrete Schrodinger operators and weighted approximation. The real and complex, univariate and multivariate techniques that underlie some of these asymptotics have been undergoing rapid development. The problems within the focus of the conference are widely applied, highly regarded, and very active areas of research. The conference would be timely, and have a different focus from any other that we know of. Between 5 and 10 of the participants will be young researchers (including some graduate students and postdocs).

For further information, see

http://www.birs.ca/birspages.php?task=displayevent&event\_id=10w5061

# Topic #7 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Preprints in arXiv.org

The following preprints related to the fields of orthogonal polynomials and special functions were posted or cross-listed to one of the subcategories of arXiv.org mostly during January and February 2010.

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0028

Cyclic sieving for generalised non-crossing partitions associated to complex reflection groups of exceptional type

Authors: Christian Krattenthaler (Universität Wien), Thomas W. Müller (Queen Mary)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0030

Cyclic sieving for generalised non-crossing partitions associated to complex reflection groups of exceptional type - the details Authors: Christian Krattenthaler (Universität Wien), Thomas W. Müller (Queen Mary)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0034

New identities involving q-Euler polynomials of higher order Authors: Taekyun Kim, Y. H. Kim

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0469

On some classical problems concerning \$L\_{\infty}\$-extremal polynomials with constraints Authors: Franz Peherstorfer

# http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0478

Orthogonal polynomials on several intervals: accumulation points of recurrence coefficients and of zeros Authors: Franz Peherstorfer

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0491

Asymptotic representation of minimal polynomials on several intervals Authors: Franz Peherstorfer

http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1277

Piecewise Certificates of Positivity for matrix polynomials Authors: Ronan Quarez (IRMAR)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1573

Euler number and polynomials of higher order Authors: Taekyun Kim

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2219

Asymptotic zero distribution of complex orthogonal polynomials associated with Gaussian quadrature Authors: A. Deano, D. Huybrechs, A.B.J. Kuijlaars

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2835

Various applications of the (exponential) complete Bell polynomials Authors: Donal F. Connon

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3134

Some Properties of Macdonald Polynomials with Prescribed Symmetry Authors: W. Baratta

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3400

A New Generating Function of (q-) Bernstein Type Polynomials and their Interpolation Function Authors: Yilmaz Simsek, Mehmet Acikgoz

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3683

Orthogonal polynomials of compact simple Lie groups Authors: Maryna Nesterenko, Jiri Patera, Agnieszka Tereszkiewicz

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3820

A note on moments of derivatives of characteristic polynomials Authors: Paul-Olivier Dehaye

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0034

New identities involving q-Euler polynomials of higher order Authors: Taekyun Kim, Y. H. Kim

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.0271

Approximation by polynomials and Blaschke products having all zeros on a circle

Authors: David W. Farmer, Pamela Gorkin

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.0372

Roots of the derivative of the Riemann zeta function and of characteristic polynomials Authors: Eduardo Dueñez, David W. Farmer, Sara Froehlich, Chris Hughes, Francesco Mezzadri, Toan Phan

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.0862

Polynomials Related to Harmonic Numbers and Evaluation of Harmonic Number Series II Authors: Ayhan Dil, Veli Kurt

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.1118

Orthogonality of Hermite polynomials in superspace and Mehler type formulae Authors: Kevin Coulembier, Hendrik De Bie, Frank Sommen

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2060

On Complex (non analytic) Chebyshev Polynomials in \$\bbC^2\$ Authors: I. Moale, P. Yuditskii

# http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2230

Discriminants and Nonnegative Polynomials Authors: Jiawang Nie

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2314

On Burkholder function for orthogonal martingales and zeros of Legendre polynomials Authors: Alexander Borichev, Prabhu Janakiraman, Alexander Volberg

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2517

The Airy transform and the associated polynomials Authors: D. Babusci, G. Dattoli, D. Sacchetti

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2666

Exceptional orthogonal polynomials and the Darboux transformation Authors: David Gomez-Ullate, Niky Kamran, Robert Milson

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3221

Some remarks on Ramanujan sums and cyclotomic polynomials Authors: László Tóth

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3735

Recurrence relation for Jones polynomials Authors: Barbu Berceanu, Abdul Rauf Nizami

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3746

Optimal stopping, Appell polynomials and Wiener-Hopf factorization representations of excessive functions of Lévy processes Authors: Paavo Salminen

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3967

Polynomial Solutions of Differential Equations Authors: H. Azad, M. T. Mustafa

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4657

A Survey on q-Polynomials and their Orthogonality Properties Authors: Roberto S. Costas-Santos, Joaquin F. Sanchez-Lara

http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4987

q-deformed harmonic and Clifford analysis and the q-Hermite and Laguerre polynomials Authors: Kevin Coulembier, Frank Sommen

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3458

Feynman graph polynomials Authors: Christian Bogner, Stefan Weinzierl

http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2345

Jucys-Murphy elements, orthogonal matrix integrals, and Jack measures Authors: Sho Matsumoto

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0299

The solutions of four \$q\$-functional equations Authors: Jun-Ming Zhu

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4384

A Proof of George Andrews' and David Robbins' \$q\$-TSPP Conjecture Authors: Christoph Koutschan, Manuel Kauers, Doron Zeilberger

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0494

Unconditional and Conditional Large Gaps between the zeros of the Riemann Zeta-Function Authors: S. H. Saker

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1495

An elegant refinement of a double inequality for the gamma function Authors: Feng Qi, Bai-Ni Guo

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1496

Two monotonic functions involving gamma function and volume of unit ball Authors: Feng Qi, Bai-Ni Guo

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1571

Dedekind's eta-function and Rogers-Ramanujan identities Authors: S. Ole Warnaar, Wadim Zudilin

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1824

On the Mellin transforms of powers of Hardy's function Authors: Aleksandar lvic

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1869

Analytic Continuation of some zeta functions Authors: Gautami Bhowmik (LPP)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2013

Analytic van der Corput Lemma for p-adic and F\_q((t)) oscillatory integrals, singular Fourier transforms, and restriction theorems Authors: Raf Cluckers

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2340

The asymptotics a Bessel-kernel determinant which arises in Random Matrix Theory Authors: Torsten Ehrhardt

## http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2660

Jacobian Elliptic Functions, Continued Fractions and Ramanujan Quantities Authors: Nikos Bagis, M.L. Glasser

http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2889

Fractional Vector Calculus and Fractional Special Function Authors: Ming-Fan Li, Ji-Rong Ren, Tao Zhu

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2911

Gamma,Psi,Bernoulli Functions via Hurwitz Zeta Function Authors: Vivek V.Rane

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2962

A method for locating where the real part of the Riemann zeta function becomes negative for its real argument greater than one Authors: Dominic C. Milioto

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3400

A New Generating Function of (q-) Bernstein Type Polynomials and their Interpolation Function Authors: Yilmaz Simsek, Mehmet Acikgoz

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3814

Area Littlewood-Paley functions associated with Hermite and Laguerre operators Authors: J.J. Betancor, S.M. Molina, L. Rodriguez-Mesa

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.4007

Jacob's ladders and the asymptotic formula for short and microscopic parts of the Hardy-Littlewood integral of the function  $|| = 1/2 + it|^4$ Authors: Jan Moser

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.4611

A completely monotonic function involving the tri- and tetra-gamma functions Authors: Feng Qi, Bai-Ni Guo

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.0362

New zero free regions for the derivatives of the Riemann zeta function Authors: Thomas Binder, Sebastian Pauli, Filip Saidak

http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.0976

Interlacing of real zeros of Bessel functions Authors: Tamas Palmai, Barnabas Apagyi

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.1175

Maass waveforms arising from sigma and related indefinite theta functions Authors: Sander Zwegers

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.1344

Factorization procedure and new generalized Hermite functions Authors: Marco A. Reyes, M. Ranferi Gutierrez

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.1616

Landau-Siegel zeros and zeros of the derivative of the Riemann zeta function Authors: David W. Farmer, Haseo Ki

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.1682

Probabilistic interpretation of the Möbius function identity and the Riemann Hypothesis Authors: R. M. Abrarov, S. M. Abrarov

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.1679

On the intersections of Fibonacci, Pell, and Lucas numbers Authors: Max A. Alekseyev

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2327

Picard solution of Painlevé VI and related tau-functions Authors: Vladimir V. Mangazeev

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2443

An amortized-complexity method to compute the Riemann zeta function Authors: G.A. Hiary

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2598

Integral representations of hypergeometric functions of confluent type from the WZNW conformal field theory Authors: Hajime Nagoya, Juanjuan Sun

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2685

A class of higher order Painleve systems arising from integrable hierarchies of type A Authors: Takao Suzuki

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2695

An Unconditional large gap between the Zeros of the Riemann Zeta-Function and Existence of Conditional Large Gaps Authors: S. H. Saker

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4127

More than 41% of the zeros of the zeta function are on the critical line Authors: Hung Bui, Brian Conrey, Matthew Young

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4171

Two arguments that the nontrivial zeros of the Riemann zeta function are irrational Authors: Marek Wolf

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4511

The matrix Stieltjes moment problem: a description of all solutions Authors: Sergey M. Zagorodnyuk

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2213

Asymptotics for a special solution to the second member of the Painleve I hierarchy

Authors: T. Claeys

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.3466

Multiple analogues of binomial coefficients and related families of special numbers Authors: Hasan Coskun

http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1766

Approximation diophantienne et approximants de Hermite-Padé de type I de fonctions exponentielles Authors: Samy Khémira, Paul Voutier

http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.2685

A class of higher order Painleve systems arising from integrable hierarchies of type A Authors: Takao Suzuki

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3634

Asymptotics of the instantons of Painleve I Authors: Stavros Garoufalidis, Alexander Its, Andrei Kapaev, Marcos Marino

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1812

A classification of sharp tridiagonal pairs Authors: Tatsuro Ito, Kazumasa Nomura, Paul Terwilliger

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/1001.2764

Double affine Hecke algebras of rank 1 and the \$Z\_3\$-symmetric Askey-Wilson relations Authors: Tatsuro Ito, Paul Terwilliger

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# Topic #8 ------ OP-SF NET 17.2 ------ March 15, 2010

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: About the Activity Group

The SIAM Activity Group on Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions consists of a broad set of mathematicians, both pure and applied. The Group also includes engineers and scientists, students as well as experts. We have around 140 members scattered about in more than 20 countries. Whatever your specialty might be, we welcome your participation in this classical, and yet modern, topic. Our WWW home page is:

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# Topic #9 ------ OP-SF NET 17.2 ------ March 15, 2010

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Submitting contributions to OP-SF NET

To contribute a news item to OP-SF NET, send email to poly@siam.org with a copy to one of the OP-SF Editors dominicd@newpaltz.edu or muldoon@yorku.ca. Contributions to OP-SF NET 17.3 should be sent by May 1, 2010.

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#### Registration

All participants will have to be registered and the registration form in word format is available from www. stcp.ac.in. Early registration is recommended since the number of participants will be limited.

| Registration Fees For                          | foreign participants | For Indian participants |
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Information concerning hotels and their charges will be provided later. We also plan to have a cultural event, and a short sightseeing trip.

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## Topic #11 ----- OP-SF NET 17.2 ----- March 15, 2010

From: Tom Koornwinder <T.H.Koornwinder@uva.nl> Subject: Open problem

Fernando Mario de Oliveira Filho formulates in his thesis [2, p.47] the following open problem.

**Problem 1.** Let  $R_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x) := P_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x)/P_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(1)$  be a normalized Jacobi polynomial and let  $x_{n,1}^{(\alpha,\beta)} < \ldots < x_{n,n}^{(\alpha,\beta)}$  be its successive zeros. For  $\alpha \ge 0$  and -1 < x < 1 let k be such that

$$\min\{R_j^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x) \mid j = 0, 1, \ldots\} = R_k^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x)$$
(1)

(such k exists). Is it true that the sequence

$$R_0^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x), R_1^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x), \dots, R_k^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x)$$
(2)

is decreasing?

**Remark 1.** Because of the identity

$$(k+\alpha+1)(1-x)R_k^{(\alpha+1,\alpha)}(x) = (\alpha+1)\left(R_k^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x) - R_{k+1}^{(\alpha,\alpha)}(x)\right),$$

a necessary condition for (1) to hold for given k is that  $x_{k-1,k-1}^{(\alpha+1,\alpha)} \leq x \leq x_{k,k}^{(\alpha+1,\alpha)}$ . But then the sequence (2) is decreasing. Hence, Problem 1 is equivalent to the question whether (1) is true for  $x_{k-1,k-1}^{(\alpha+1,\alpha)} \leq x \leq x_{k,k}^{(\alpha+1,\alpha)}$ .

**Remark 2.** As shown in [1, §7], [2, Theorem 3.8], formula (1) is true for  $x = x_{k-1,k-1}^{(\alpha+1,\alpha+1)}$ .

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