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2nd lecture L-pairs and dual system of orth. polys.

§2.1 orthogonal polynomials /  $\mathbb{C}$  with finite support

$$u_0(x) = 1, u_1(x), \dots, u_d(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$$

$$\deg u_i(x) = i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

orthogonal polynomials with support  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_d \in \mathbb{C}$   
 $(\theta_i \neq \theta_j)$

$$\text{if } \sum_{\nu=0}^d u_i(\theta_\nu) u_j(\theta_\nu) \mu_\nu = \frac{1}{k_i} \delta_{ij}, \quad \text{all } i, j$$

for some  $\mu_0, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_d \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\mu_\nu \neq 0, \quad 0 \leq \nu \leq d, \quad \sum_{\nu=0}^d \mu_\nu = 1$$

and  $k_0, k_1, \dots, k_d \in \mathbb{C}$

$$k_i \neq 0, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d, \quad k_0 = 1.$$

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$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  orth. polys. with support  $\{\theta_v\}_{v=0}^d$

$\Rightarrow$

$$(*) \quad x u_i(x) = c_i u_{i-1}(x) + a_i u_i(x) + b_i u_{i+1}(x), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

where  $u_{-1}(x) = 0, \quad b_d = 1$

$$u_{d+1}(x) = \frac{1}{b_0 b_1 \dots b_{d-1}} (x - \theta_0)(x - \theta_1) \dots (x - \theta_d)$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & b_0 & & & 0 \\ c_1 & a_1 & b_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & c_{d-1} & a_{d-1} & b_{d-1} & \\ & & c_d & a_d & \end{pmatrix}$$

tridiagonal matrix

irreducible

$c_i \neq 0, b_i \neq 0$  all  $i$

diagonalizable

with eigenvalues  $\{\theta_v\}_{v=0}^d$

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Conversely

$B$ : tridiagonal matrix  
 irreducible  
 diagonalizable with eigenvalues  $\{\theta_\nu\}_{\nu=0}^d$

$\Rightarrow$

$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  defined by (\*)

orth. polys. with support  $\{\theta_\nu\}_{\nu=0}^d$

$$k_0 = 1, \quad k_i = \frac{b_0 b_1 \dots b_{i-1}}{c_1 c_2 \dots c_i}, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$\mu_\nu = \frac{1}{k_d u'_{d+1}(\theta_\nu) u_d(\theta_\nu)}, \quad 0 \leq \nu \leq d$$

Christoffel number

Remark

$B$ : tridiagonal, irreducible, diagonalizable

$\Rightarrow$

Each eigenvalue of  $B$  has multiplicity 1.

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$$\mathcal{P} = \{ \text{orth. polys. with finite support} \}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{ \text{tridiagonal matrices that are irreducible} \\ \text{and diagonalizable} \}$$

$$\mathcal{P} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \mathcal{M}$$

$$\mathcal{P} \supset \mathcal{P}(\theta_0) = \{ \{u_i(x)\} \in \mathcal{P} \mid u_i(\theta_0) = 1 \text{ all } i \}$$

$$\mathcal{M} \supset \mathcal{M}(\theta_0) = \{ B \in \mathcal{M} \mid \text{row sum of } B = \theta_0 \}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\theta_0) \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \mathcal{M}(\theta_0)$$

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§2.2 dual systems of orth. polys.  
and L-pairs

$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  orth. polys. with support  $\{\theta_v\}_{v=0}^d$

$\{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  orth. polys. with support  $\{\theta_v^*\}_{v=0}^d$

dual

$\exists$  ordering  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_d$

$\exists$  ordering  $\theta_0^*, \theta_1^*, \dots, \theta_d^*$

$$u_j(\theta_i) = u_i^*(\theta_j^*) \quad \text{all } i, j$$

Remark

$$u_j(\theta_0) = u_0^*(\theta_j^*) = 1 \quad \text{all } j$$

$$u_i^*(\theta_0^*) = u_0(\theta_i) = 1 \quad \text{all } i$$

$$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d \in \mathcal{P}(\theta_0), \quad \{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d \in \mathcal{P}(\theta_0^*)$$

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$$\mathcal{P}(\theta_0) \Rightarrow \{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d \longleftrightarrow B \in M(\theta_0)$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\theta_0^*) \Rightarrow \{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d \longleftrightarrow B^* \in M(\theta_0^*)$$

### Proposition

$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d$ ,  $\{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  are dual

$\Leftrightarrow$

$\exists S$  non singular matrix

$$S^{-1} B S = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_0 & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & \theta_d \end{pmatrix} = D \quad \text{diagonal matrix}$$

$$S B^* S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_0^* & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & \theta_d^* \end{pmatrix} = D^* \quad \text{diagonal matrix}$$

$$B, D^* \in M_{d+1}(\mathbb{C}) \simeq \text{End}(V), \quad V = \mathbb{C}^{d+1}$$

eigenspace decomposition of  $B$

$$V = V_0 \oplus V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_d, \quad \dim V_i = 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$V_i = \langle \mathcal{S}_i \rangle, \quad B\mathcal{S}_i = \theta_i \mathcal{S}_i$$

$$S = (\mathcal{S}_0, \mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_d)$$

eigenspace decomposition of  $D^*$

$$V = V_0^* \oplus V_1^* \oplus \dots \oplus V_d^*, \quad \dim V_i^* = 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$V_i^* = \langle \mathcal{E}_i \rangle, \quad D^* \mathcal{E}_i = \theta_i^* \mathcal{E}_i$$

$$\mathcal{E}_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{(i)}$$

$$(i) \quad B V_i^* \subseteq V_{i-1}^* + V_i^* + V_{i+1}^*, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d, \quad V_{-1}^* = V_{d+1}^* = 0$$

$B$ : tridiagonal

$$D^* V_i \subseteq V_{i-1} + V_i + V_{i+1}, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d, \quad V_{-1} = V_{d+1} = 0$$

$$B^* = S^{-1} D^* S : \text{tridiagonal}$$

(ii)  $V$ : irreducible as a  $\langle B, D^* \rangle$ -module

$B$ : irreducible tridiagonal

$A, A^* \in \text{End}(V)$  diagonalizable,  $V \cong \mathbb{C}^{d+1}$

$$V = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d V_i, \quad \dim V_i = 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$A|_{V_i} = \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \alpha_i \neq \alpha_j$$

eigenspace decomposition of  $A$

$$V = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d V_i^*, \quad \dim V_i^* = 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$A^*|_{V_i^*} = \alpha_i^* \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \alpha_i^* \neq \alpha_j^*$$

eigenspace decomposition of  $A^*$

L-pair (Leonard pair)

if  $\exists$  ordering  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d$

$\exists$  ordering  $\alpha_0^*, \alpha_1^*, \dots, \alpha_d^*$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AV_i^* \subseteq V_{i-1}^* + V_i^* + V_{i+1}^*, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d, \quad V_{-1}^* = V_{d+1}^* = 0 \\ A^*V_i \subseteq V_{i-1} + V_i + V_{i+1}, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d, \quad V_{-1} = V_{d+1} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

and

$V$  is irreducible as an  $\langle A, A^* \rangle$ -module.



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$$A_1, A_1^* \in \text{End}(V) \quad L\text{-pair}$$

$$A_2, A_2^* \in \text{End}(V) \quad L\text{-pair}$$

$$(A_1, A_1^*) \simeq (A_2, A_2^*) \quad \text{isomorphic}$$

$$\exists \phi : V \longrightarrow V \quad \text{isomorphism as vector spaces}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{A_1, A_1^*} & V \\ \phi \downarrow & \curvearrowright & \downarrow \phi \\ V & \xrightarrow{A_2, A_2^*} & V \end{array}$$

$$A_2 = \phi A_1 \phi^{-1}$$

$$A_2^* = \phi A_1^* \phi^{-1}$$

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$$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U}_0) \ni \{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d \longleftrightarrow B \in M(\mathcal{U}_0)$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U}_0^*) \ni \{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d \longleftrightarrow B^* \in M(\mathcal{U}_0^*)$$

$$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d, \{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d : \text{dual}$$

$$\iff$$

$$B, D^* : L\text{-pair}$$

In this case,

$$(B, D^*) \simeq (D, B^*) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{isomorphic} \\ \text{as } L\text{-pairs} \end{array}$$

### Remark

$$A, A^* \in \text{End}(V) \quad L\text{-pair}$$

Then

$\exists$  a basis of  $V$ , the matrix  $B$  of  $A \in M(\mathcal{U}_0)$   
the matrix  $D^*$  of  $A^*$  is diagonal

and

$\exists$  a basis of  $V$ , the matrix  $D$  of  $A$  is diagonal  
the matrix  $B^*$  of  $A^* \in M(\mathcal{U}_0^*)$

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§2.3 Leonard's theorem - classification of dual systems of orth. polys.

$$(a)_i = a(a+1) \cdots (a+i-1), \quad i=1, 2, \dots$$

$$(a)_0 = 1$$

shifted factorial

$${}_{r+1}F_r \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r+1} \\ b_1, \dots, b_r \end{matrix} ; x \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_i \cdots (a_{r+1})_i}{(b_1)_i \cdots (b_r)_i} \frac{x^i}{i!}$$

hypergeometric series

$$(a; q)_i = (1-a)(1-aq) \cdots (1-aq^{i-1}), \quad i=1, 2, \dots$$

$$(a; q)_0 = 1$$

q-shifted factorial

$${}_{r+1}\phi_r \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r+1} \\ b_1, \dots, b_r \end{matrix} ; q, x \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1; q)_i \cdots (a_{r+1}; q)_i}{(b_1; q)_i \cdots (b_r; q)_i} \frac{x^i}{(q; q)_i}$$

basic hypergeometric series

(q-hypergeometric series)

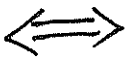
$$q \rightarrow 1, \quad {}_{r+1}\phi_r \rightarrow {}_{r+1}F_r$$

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Theorem (Leonard 1982, Bannai - Ito 1984)

$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d$ ,  $\{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  : a dual system of orthogonal polynomials with support  $\{\theta_v\}_{v=0}^d$ ,  $\{\theta_v^*\}_{v=0}^d$ , respectively



$\{u_i(x)\}_{i=0}^d$ ,  $\{u_i^*(x)\}_{i=0}^d$  : a dual system of  $q$ -Racah polynomials or its limiting case

$$u_i(x) = {}_4\phi_3 \left( \begin{matrix} q^{-i}, s^* q^{i+1}, q^{-y}, s q^{y+1} \\ q^{-d}, r_1 q, r_2 q \end{matrix} ; q, q \right)$$

$$x = \xi(y) = \theta_0 + h \frac{1}{q^y} (1 - q^y)(1 - s q^{y+1})$$

$$\theta_i = \xi(i), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$u_i^*(x) = {}_4\phi_3 \left( \begin{matrix} q^{-i}, s q^{i+1}, q^{-y}, s^* q^{y+1} \\ q^{-d}, r_1 q, r_2 q \end{matrix} ; q, q \right)$$

$$x = \xi^*(y) = \theta_0^* + h^* \frac{1}{q^y} (1 - q^y)(1 - s^* q^{y+1})$$

$$\theta_i^* = \xi^*(i), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

(details in 6th lecture)

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§ 2.4 Terwilliger's Theorem - Classification of  $L$ -pairs  
start with

$$A, A^* \in \text{End}(V), \quad V \cong \mathbb{C}^{d+1}$$

$L$ -pair

$$V = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d V_i \quad \text{e. s. decomp. of } A, \quad \dim V_i = 1$$

$$= \bigoplus_{i=0}^d V_i^* \quad \text{e. s. decomp. of } A^*, \quad \dim V_i^* = 1$$

$$\begin{cases} AV_i^* \subseteq V_{i-1}^* + V_i^* + V_{i+1}^*, & V_{-1}^* = V_{d+1}^* = 0 \\ A^*V_i \subseteq V_{i-1} + V_i + V_{i+1}, & V_{-1} = V_{d+1} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Set

$$U_i = (V_0^* + \dots + V_i^*) \cap (V_i + \dots + V_d), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

weight space

Then

$$V = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d U_i \quad \dim U_i = 1, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

weight space decomposition

(split decomposition)

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$$F_i : V \longrightarrow U_i \quad \text{projection}$$

$$R = A - \sum_{i=0}^d \alpha_i F_i, \quad \alpha_i : \text{eigenvalue of } A \text{ on } V_i$$

$$L = A^* - \sum_{i=0}^d \alpha_i^* F_i, \quad \alpha_i^* : \text{eigenvalue of } A^* \text{ on } V_i^*$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} R U_i = U_{i+1}, & 0 \leq i \leq d, & U_{d+1} = 0 \\ L U_i = U_{i-1}, & 0 \leq i \leq d, & U_{-1} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$R$  raises  $\{U_i\}_{i=0}^d$

$L$  lowers  $\{U_i\}_{i=0}^d$

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Conversely, start with

$$V = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d U_i, \quad \dim U_i = 1$$

$$F_i : V \longrightarrow U_i \quad \text{projection.}$$

Given

$$\begin{cases} \vartheta_0, \vartheta_1, \dots, \vartheta_d \in \mathbb{C}, & \vartheta_i \neq \vartheta_j \\ \vartheta_0^*, \vartheta_1^*, \dots, \vartheta_d^* \in \mathbb{C}, & \vartheta_i^* \neq \vartheta_j^* \end{cases}$$

and

$$R, L \in \text{End}(V) \quad \text{raising, lowering maps}$$

$$\begin{cases} R U_i = U_{i+1}, & 0 \leq i \leq d, & U_{d+1} = 0 \\ L U_i = U_{i-1}, & 0 \leq i \leq d, & U_{-1} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Set

$$\begin{cases} A = R + \sum_{i=0}^d \vartheta_i F_i \\ A^* = L + \sum_{i=0}^d \vartheta_i^* F_i \end{cases}$$

Such  $A, A^* \in \text{End}(V)$  are called  
a pre L-pair.

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Choose  $u_0 \in U_0$ ,  $u_0 \neq 0$

Set  $u_i = R^i u_0$ .

Then  $U_i = \mathbb{C} u_i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq d$

and

$$L u_{i+1} = \lambda_i u_i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq d-1$$

for some  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}^\times = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ .

The data  $(\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^d, \{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^d, \{\lambda_i\}_{i=0}^{d-1})$

determines the isomorphism class of  
a pre  $L$ -pair  $A, A^* \in \text{End}(V)$ .

If  $\theta_i \neq \theta_j$ ,  $\theta_i^* \neq \theta_j^*$ ,  $i \neq j \in \{0, 1, \dots, d\}$

and  $\lambda_i \neq 0$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq d-1$ ,

then  $(\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^d, \{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^d, \{\lambda_i\}_{i=0}^{d-1})$

is the data of some pre  $L$ -pair  $A, A^*$ .



Theorem (Terwilliger 2001)

$A, A^* \in \text{End}(V)$  pre  $L$ -pair

with data  $(\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^d, \{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^d, \{\lambda_i\}_{i=0}^{d-1})$ .

Then

$A, A^*$  are an  $L$ -pair

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$\theta_i = \theta_0 + h \frac{1}{q^i} (1 - q^i)(1 - sq^{i+1}), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$\theta_i^* = \theta_0^* + h^* \frac{1}{q^i} (1 - q^i)(1 - s^*q^{i+1}), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d$$

$$\lambda_i = hh^* q^{-2i-1} (1 - q^{i+1})(1 - q^{i-d})(1 - r_1 q^{i+1})(1 - r_2 q^{i+1}), \quad 0 \leq i \leq d-1$$

for some  $r_1, r_2, s, s^*, h, h^*, \theta_0, \theta_0^*$  and  $q \in \mathbb{C}$

$$r_1 r_2 = ss^* q^{d+1}$$

$$hh^* \neq 0, \quad q^i \neq 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d$$

$$s, s^* \notin \{q^{-2}, q^{-3}, \dots, q^{-2d}\}$$

$$r_1, r_2 \notin \{q^{-1}, q^{-2}, \dots, q^{-d}\} \cup \{s^*q, s^*q^2, \dots, s^*q^d\} \quad \text{if } s^* \neq 0$$

$$r_2 = 0, \quad r_1 \notin \{q^{-1}, q^{-2}, \dots, q^{-d}\} \cup \{sq, sq^2, \dots, sq^d\} \quad \text{if } s^* = 0$$

or the limiting case

(details in 5th lecture)