

Random Orthogonal Polynomials: From matrices to point processes

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Particularly in the case where μ has finite support we may study the orthogonal polynomials to obtain information about the measure. If the measure is random this can be more useful than studying the measure directly.

OPUCs (part II): The Szegő Recursion

Suppose that $\Phi_0(z), \Phi_1(z), \dots$ are a family of OPUCs associated to a measure μ on $\partial\mathbb{D}$.

Define: $\Phi_k^*(z) = z^k \overline{\Phi_k(\frac{1}{z})}$.

Then:

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The associated Verblunsky coefficients $\{\alpha_k\}_{k=0}^{n-1}$ allow us to generate

$$\Phi_0(z), \Phi_1(z), \dots, \Phi_n(z) = \det(U_n - zI)$$

Notice that $\Phi_n(z)$ is not actually orthogonal to the previous polynomials with respect to μ_n .

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If we study μ_n defined as the spectral measure at \mathbf{e}_1 then

$$\mu_n = \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \delta_{e^{i\theta_k}}, \quad \text{where} \quad \sum q_k = 1.$$

and the weights $\{q_k\}$ are independent from the $\{\theta_k\}$ with

$$(q_1, \dots, q_n) \sim \text{Dirichlet}\left(\frac{\beta}{2}, \dots, \frac{\beta}{2}\right)$$

Verblunsky's for the β -circular ensemble

The joint density on the previous slide defines an n -point measure on the unit circle (or $[-\pi, \pi]$) for any $\beta > 0$. A set of angles with joint density

$$f(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) = \frac{1}{Z_{n,\beta}} \prod_{j < k} |e^{i\theta_j} - e^{i\theta_k}|^\beta. \quad (0.2)$$

is called the β -circular ensemble

Theorem (Killip-Nenciu)

Let $\mu_n = \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \delta_{e^{i\theta_k}}$ with $\{\theta_k\}$ having β -circular distribution and $(q_1, \dots, q_n) \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\frac{\beta}{2}, \dots, \frac{\beta}{2})$. then the associated Verblunsky coefficients will be independent with rotationally invariant distribution and

$$|\alpha_k|^2 \sim \begin{cases} \text{Beta}(1, \frac{\beta}{2}(n-k-1)) & k < n-1 \\ 1 & k = n-1 \end{cases}$$

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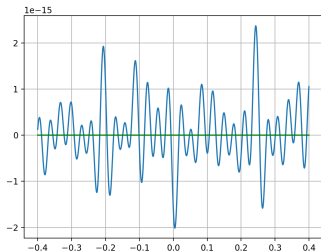
More generally define

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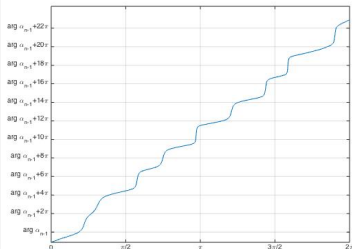
then...

$$N([0, x]) = \left\lfloor \frac{\omega_{n-1}(x) - \arg \bar{\alpha}_{n-1}}{2\pi} \right\rfloor$$

The counting function from $\omega_{n-1}(x)$ for Circular β



$P_{350}(x)$ for $n = 1000$



$\omega_{n-1}(x)$ for $n = 12$, $\beta = 4$.

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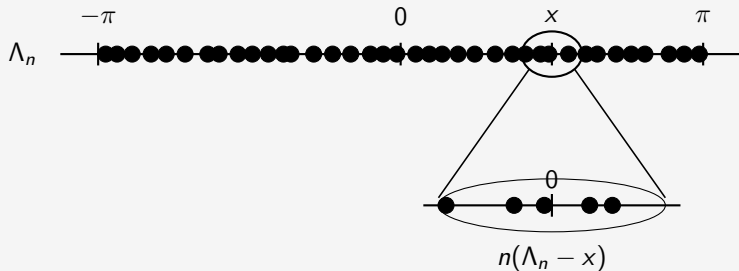
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If we reverse the order of the Verblunsky coefficients we get that $\omega_{n-1}(x) - nx$ is a martingale in n . The martingale central limit theorem will give the theorem.

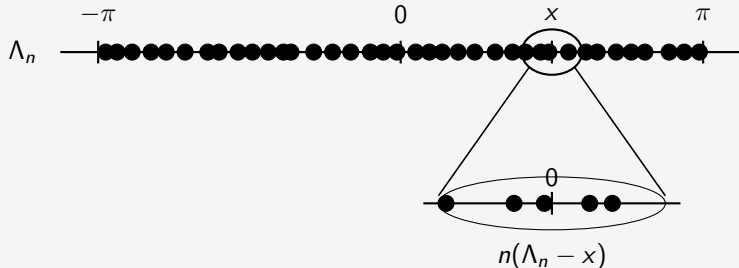
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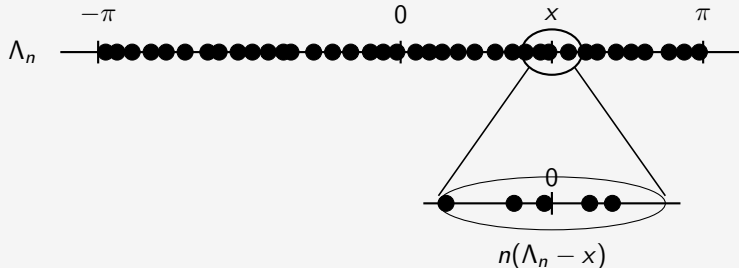
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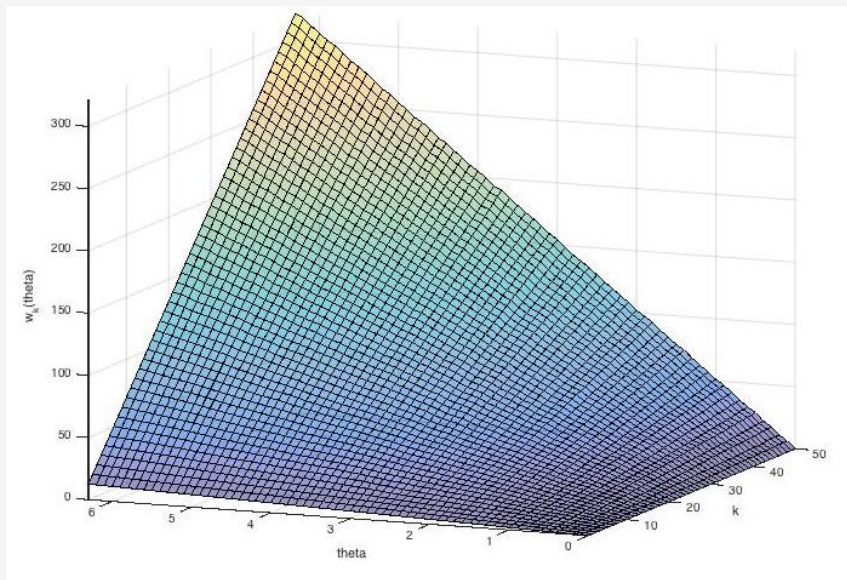
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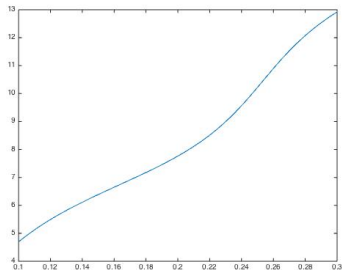
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We will focus near 0 which means we need to look at $\omega_{n-1}(x/n)$ in order to see the counting function.

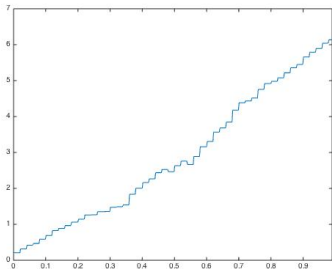
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$\omega_{40}(x)$ on $[0.1, 0.3]$ for $\beta = 4$



$\omega_{\lfloor 50t \rfloor}(\frac{5}{50})$ on $[0, .99]$ for $\beta = 4$

The bulk limit

Theorem (Killip-Stoiciu, Valkó-Virág)

Let $\{\dots < x_{-1} < 0 < x_0 < x_1 < \dots\}$ have β -circular distribution (in the argument), then

$$\{\dots, nx_{-1}, nx_0, nx_1, \dots\} \Rightarrow \text{Sine}_\beta \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

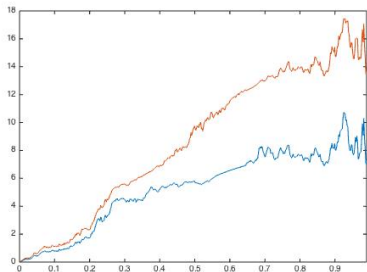
Sine_β may be characterized by its counting function which has distribution $N_\beta(\lambda) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_\lambda(t)}{2\pi}$ where

$$d\alpha_\lambda = \lambda \frac{\beta}{4} e^{-\frac{\beta}{4}t} dt + \text{Re}[(e^{-i\alpha_\lambda} - 1)d(B^{(1)} + iB^{(2)})], \quad \alpha_\lambda(0) = 0.$$

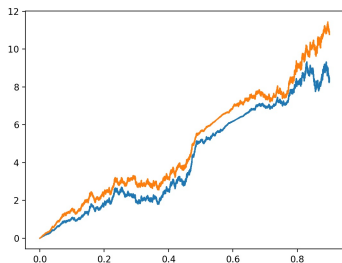
Morally: $\hat{\alpha}_\lambda(t) = \alpha_\lambda(-\frac{4}{\beta} \log(1-t)) \approx \omega_{\lfloor nt \rfloor}(\lambda/n)$. Under this time change $\hat{\alpha}_\lambda(0) = 0, t \in [0, 1)$

$$d\hat{\alpha}_\lambda(t) = \lambda dt + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\beta(1-t)}} \text{Re}[(e^{-i\hat{\alpha}_\lambda} - 1)d(B^{(1)} + iB^{(2)})].$$

Moral proof by picture



$\omega_{\lfloor 500t \rfloor} \left(\frac{10}{500} \right)$ and $\omega_{\lfloor 500t \rfloor} \left(\frac{14}{500} \right)$ for $\beta = 4$



$\hat{\alpha}_{10}(t)$ and $\hat{\alpha}_{14}(t)$ for $\beta = 4$

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Here you can not do as well with the counting function machinery (as of yet), but what about other questions?

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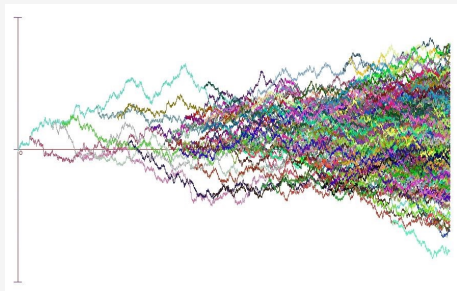
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- 5 Other questions on Sine_β (Dereudre, Hardy, Leblé, Maïda, Chhaibi, Najnudel)

Log-correlated fields and branching processes



Branching Brownian Motion
(Borrowed from Matt Roberts)

Models with log-correlated structure: Branching Random walk, Branching Brownian motion, log-correlated Gaussian field, characteristic polynomials of random matrices.

A few people who have worked in the area: Derrida-Spohn, Hu-Shi, Aïdékon-Shi, Arguin-Zindy

Full results for log-correlated Gaussian fields: Ding-Roy-Zeitouni

Log-correlated fields and Circular β

Conjecture (Fyodorov, Hiary, Keating)

For $\beta = 2$, and K_1, K_2 independent Gumble distributions

$$\sup_{z \in \partial \mathbb{D}} \log |\Phi_n(z)| - (\log n - \frac{3}{4} \log \log n) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(K_1 + K_2)$$

- 1st term: Arguin, Belius, Bourgade (2017)
- 2nd term: Paquette-Zeitouni (2017)
- tightness of the distribution ($\beta > 0$): Chhaibi, Mandaule, Najnudel (2018)

Recall that we said that $\hat{\alpha}_\lambda(t)$ was morally $2 \arg \Phi_{\lfloor nt \rfloor}(e^{i\lambda/n}) + t\lambda$. This gives that $2 \operatorname{Im} \log \Phi_n(e^{i\lambda/n})$ is comparable to $2\pi N(\lambda) - \lambda$. For $\operatorname{Sine}_\beta$ the analogous question is

$$\sup_{|\lambda| \leq x} (N_\beta(\lambda) - N_\beta(-\lambda) - \frac{\lambda}{\pi}) - C_\beta(\log x - \frac{3}{4} \log \log x) \Rightarrow ?$$

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Notice that

$$N(\lambda) - N(-\lambda) - \frac{\lambda}{\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \int_0^\infty (e^{-i\alpha\lambda(t)} - e^{-i\alpha-\lambda(t)}) dZ = \frac{1}{2\pi} M_\lambda(\infty)$$

Conjecture

$$\max_{0 \leq \lambda \leq x} M_\lambda(\infty) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\beta}\pi} (\log x - \frac{3}{4} \log \log x) \Rightarrow \xi.$$

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Let $M_k = A_{k-1}A_{k-2}\cdots A_0$ then we can look at the evolution of

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} f_{k+1}(\lambda) \\ f_{k+1}^*(\lambda) \end{bmatrix} &= e^{-i\lambda(k+1)/2} M_k^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_k(e^{i\lambda}) \\ \Phi_k^*(e^{i\lambda}) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\lambda/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda/2} \end{bmatrix}^{M_k^{-1}} \begin{bmatrix} f_k(\lambda) \\ f_k^*(\lambda) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where $A^B = B^{-1}AB$.

Theorem (Valkó, Virág)

Let μ_n be supported on n points and define $M(t) = M_{\lfloor m_n t \rfloor}$ for $t \in [0, n/m_n)$ and consider the differential operator τ acting on functions $g : [0, n/m_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ given by

$$\tau g = 2 \begin{bmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}^{M_t} g'(t), \quad g(0) \parallel \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad g\left(\frac{n}{m_n}\right) \parallel M_{n-1}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\alpha}_{n-1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues of τ are

$$\left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{R} : e^{i \frac{\lambda}{m_n}} \text{ is in the support of } \mu_n \right\}$$

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At this point we can see that $g_\mu(k/m_n) = f_k(\mu/m_n)$

Thank You!