

# Domains of orthogonality for generalized Chebyshev polynomials as semi-algebraic sets<sup>1</sup>

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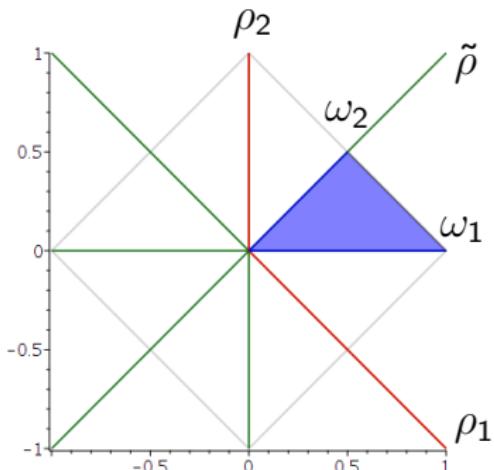
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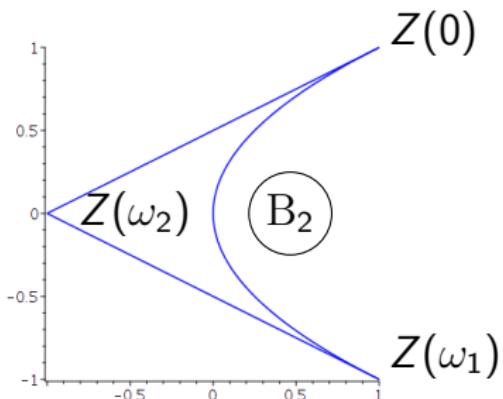
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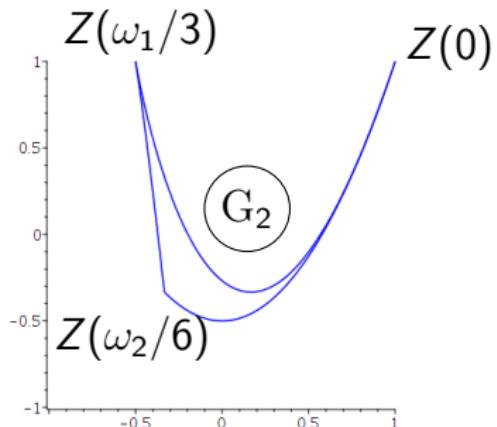
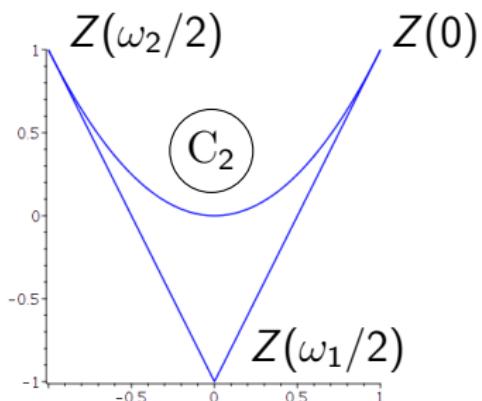
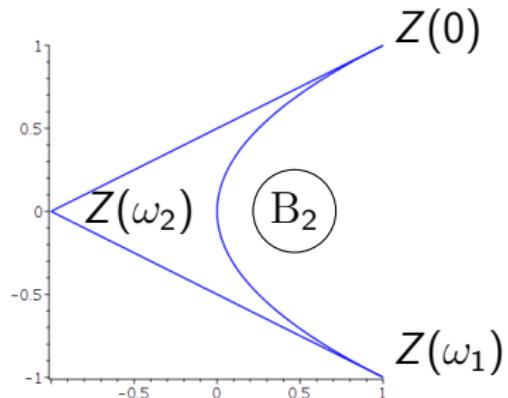
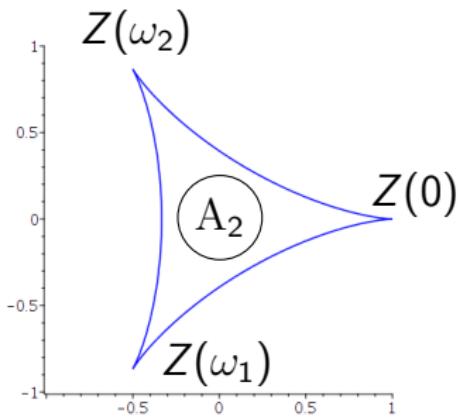
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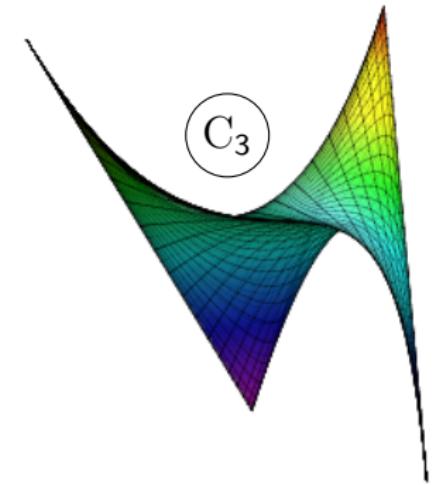
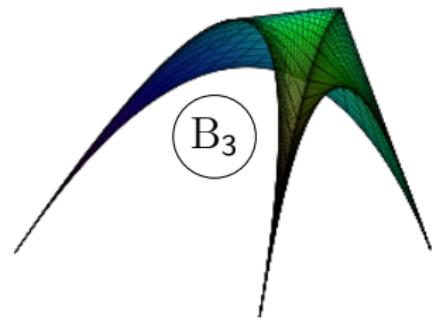
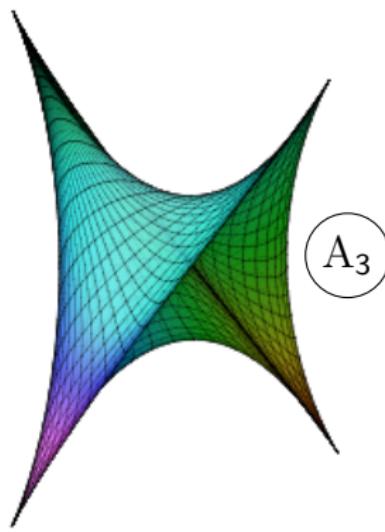


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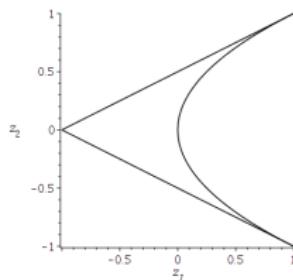
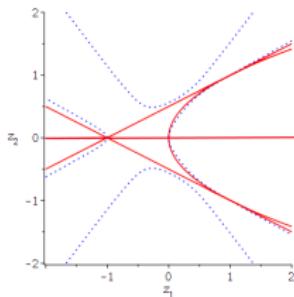
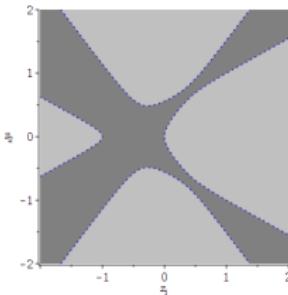
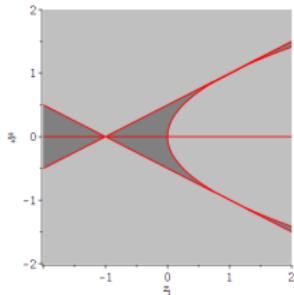
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$\text{Det}(H(z)) = 0$  (solid)

$\text{Trace}(H(z)) = 0$  (dots)

# Thanks for your attention.

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# Appendix A: Outline for the $B_n$ case

## Step ①

The orbit of  $x_1$  under the Weyl group is

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Apply the recurrence formula

$$\Theta_{2\omega_n} = 2^n \Theta_{\omega_n}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{j} \Theta_{\omega_j} - 1.$$

## Appendix B: Characterizing roots of polynomials

### Sturm Sylvester Theorem<sup>1</sup>

Consider  $f \in \mathbb{R}[t]$  of degree  $n$  and  $A := \mathbb{R}[t]/\langle f \rangle$ .

For  $q \in \mathbb{R}[t]$  define  $H_q : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $[p] \mapsto \text{Trace}(m_{qp^2})$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Sign } H_q = & \quad \# \text{ real roots } r \text{ of } f \text{ with } q(r) > 0 \\ & - \# \text{ real roots } r \text{ of } f \text{ with } q(r) < 0\end{aligned}$$

Choose  $q := 4 - t^2$ .

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