

## – 1 KRALL-JACOBI POLYNOMIALS\*

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**Abstract.** We study a family of orthogonal polynomials which satisfy (apart from a 3-term recurrence relation) an eigenvalue equation involving a third order differential operator of Dunkl-type. The orthogonality measure of these polynomials consists in the continuous measure of the little  $-1$  Jacobi polynomials to which is added an arbitrary mass located at the point  $x = 0$ , the middle of the orthogonality interval. This provides the first nontrivial example of Krall-type polynomials with a point mass inside the orthogonality interval. These polynomials can be obtained by a Geronimus transform of the little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials in the limit  $q = -1$ .

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**1. Introduction.** Significant advances have been realized in the characterization of recently discovered families of  $-1$  orthogonal polynomials (OPs) that can be obtained as  $q \rightarrow -1$  limits of  $q$  polynomials of the Askey scheme. The striking feature of these OPs is that they are classical or bispectral and that they satisfy eigenvalue equations involving Dunkl-type operators [1] in addition to the mandatory 3-term recurrence relation. They have arisen already in a number of physical problems [2]–[7] and are connected with Jordan algebras [8].

At the top of the emerging  $-1$  scheme are the Bannai-Ito polynomials and their kernel partners ([9], Ch.1, Sect. 7), the complementary Bannai-Ito polynomials [10]. Both sets depend on 4 parameters. The Bannai-Ito polynomials are the eigensolutions of the most general operator which is of first order in Dunkl shifts, (i.e. first order in the operators  $T$  and  $R$  defined by  $Tf(x) = f(x + 1)$ ,  $Rf(x) = f(-x)$  on a function  $f(x)$ ) and which stabilizes polynomials of given degrees. The Bannai-Ito polynomials are positive definite and orthogonal on a finite set of  $N + 1$  points. In the limits where  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , they tend to the big  $-1$  Jacobi polynomials [11] which are orthogonal on  $[-1, -c] \cup [c, 1]$ . When  $c = 0$ , the little  $-1$  Jacobi polynomials [12] arise as a special case. A Bochner-type theorem establishes [13] that the big and little  $-1$  polynomials are the only families of OPs satisfying a differential-difference eigenvalue equation which is of first order in Dunkl-type operators.

The Bannai-Ito polynomials and their descendants all possess the Leonard duality property. (In fact, this led to their initial identification [14].) The dual  $-1$  Hahn polynomials [15] together with the generalized Gegenbauer [16] and Hermite polynomials [17, 18] are also bispectral but, obeying eigenvalue equations of second order in Dunkl operators, they fall beyond the scope of Leonard duality.

We continue here the exploration of  $-1$  orthogonal polynomials in that vein and look for another class of  $-1$  OPs verifying a higher differential-difference equation.

In the wake of Krall’s classification of OPs satisfying a fourth order differential equations [19], it is appreciated that the addition of discrete masses to the measure leads to OPs verifying higher order equations [20, 21, 22].

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In this connection, we present here a generalization of the little  $-1$  Jacobi polynomials with the following features: these orthogonal polynomials obey a differential-difference equation of third order in Dunkl operators and a mass is located at the middle of the orthogonality interval.

The outline of the paper is the following. In section 2, we offer a brief review of useful results on little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials. In section 3, we introduce the generalized little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials [23] that are eigensolutions of higher order  $q$ -difference equations. In section 4, focusing for definiteness on one of the simpler cases, we obtain and characterize a set of generalized little  $-1$  Jacobi polynomials by taking an appropriate  $q \rightarrow -1$  limit of certain polynomials of the preceding section. The paper ends with concluding remarks.

**2. Little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials.** The monic little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials are defined as

$$(2.1) \quad P_n(x; a, b) = (-1)^n \frac{q^{n(n-1)/2} (aq; q)_n}{(abq^{n+1}; q)_n} {}_2\phi_1 \left( \begin{matrix} q^{-n}, abq^{n+1} \\ aq \end{matrix} \middle| qx \right)$$

where  $(a; q)_n = (1-a)(1-aq) \cdots (1-aq^{n-1})$  is the  $q$ -shifted factorial and  ${}_2\phi_1$  denotes the  $q$ -hypergeometric function.

The orthogonality relation is

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_k P_n(q^k; a, b) P_m(q^k; a, b) = h_n \delta_{nm},$$

where  $h_n$  are appropriate normalization constants, and the normalized weight function is

$$(2.3) \quad w_k = \frac{(aq; q)_{\infty}}{(abq^2; q)_{\infty}} \frac{(bq; q)_k (aq)^k}{(q; q)_k}.$$

It is assumed that  $|q| < 1$ ,  $|aq| < 1$ ,  $|bq| < 1$ . The expansion coefficients of the little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials in  $P_n(x; a, b) = \sum_{s=0}^n B_n^{(s)} x^{n-s}$  are

$$(2.4) \quad B_n^{(s)} = b^{-s} \frac{(q^{-n}, a^{-1}q^{-n}; q)_s}{(q, a^{-1}b^{-1}q^{-2n}; q)_s},$$

where  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k; q)_n = (a_1, q)_n (a_2, q)_n \cdots (a_k, q)_n$ .

It is known that the little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials satisfy a second-order difference equation [24].

Introduce the functions of the second kind,

$$(2.5) \quad Q_n(z) = \int_a^b \frac{P_n(x)w(x)}{z-x} dx,$$

where  $w(x)$  is assumed to be the normalized weight function, i.e.

$$\int_a^b w(x) dx = 1.$$

The values of the functions  $Q_n(z)$ , at  $z = 0$  (an accumulation point of the orthogonality measure), are :

$$(2.6) \quad Q_n(0; a, b) = - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{P_n(q^k; a, b)w_k}{q^k}.$$

Using the  $q$ -binomial theorem and the  $q$ -Saalschütz formula (see, e.g., [25]) we have

$$(2.7) \quad Q_n(0; a, b) = (-1)^{n+1} a^n q^{n(n-1)/2} \frac{1-abq}{1-a} \frac{(q; q)_n (bq; q)_n}{(abq; q)_n (abq^{n+1}; q)_n}.$$

**3. Transformed  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials.** Let  $P_n(x)$  be orthogonal polynomials with measure localized on the interval  $[a, b]$ . Let  $w(x)$  be the corresponding normalized unit weight function and  $Q_n(z)$  be defined by (2.5). Let finally  $c$  be a point beyond the orthogonality interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $Q_n(c)$  exists.

Consider the Geronimus transformation [26, 27] of the polynomials  $P_n(x)$  at the point  $x = c$

$$(3.1) \quad \tilde{P}_n(x) = \mathcal{G}(c)P_n(x) = P_n(x) - \frac{\Phi_n}{\Phi_{n-1}}P_{n-1}(x), n = 1, 2, \dots, \tilde{P}_0(x) = 1,$$

where

$$(3.2) \quad \Phi_n = Q_n(c) + MP_n(c),$$

with  $M$  some arbitrary real parameter.

We note that if  $a = q^j, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , then

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi_n &= Q_n(0; q^j, b) + MP_n(0; q^j, b) \\ &= (-1)^n q^{n(n-1)/2} \frac{(q^{j+1}; q)_n}{(bq^{n+j+1}; q)_n} \left( M - q^{nj} \frac{(1-bq^{j+1})(bq; q)_j (q; q)_j}{(1-q^j)(q^{n+1}; q)_j (bq^{n+1}; q)_j} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The weight function  $\tilde{w}(x)$  of the polynomials  $\mathcal{G}(c)\{P_n(x)\}$  is

$$(3.4) \quad \tilde{w}(x) = \kappa \left( \frac{w(x)}{x-c} - M\delta(x-c) \right),$$

where  $\kappa$  is an appropriate normalization constant. The Geronimus transformation thus inserts a concentrated mass at the point  $x = c$ . The value of this mass depends on the parameter  $M$ . Now take for  $P_n(x)$  the little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials with  $a = q^j, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , and perform the Geronimus transformation (3.1) with  $\Phi_n$  given by (3.3). (In this case  $c = 0$ .)

The weight function  $\tilde{w}(x)$  for the polynomials  $\mathcal{G}(0)\{P_n(x)\}$  is

$$(3.5) \quad \tilde{w}(x) = \kappa \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \tilde{w}_k \delta(x - q^k) - M\delta(x) \right),$$

where

$$(3.6) \quad \tilde{w}_k = \frac{(q^{j+1}; q)_{\infty}}{(bq^{j+2}; q)_{\infty}} \frac{(bq^k; q)_k q^{jk}}{(q; q)_k}.$$

The coefficients  $B_n^{(s)}$  in the expansion

$$(3.7) \quad \tilde{P}_n(x) = \mathcal{G}(0)\{P_n(x; q^j, b)\} = \sum_{s=0}^n B_n^{(s)} x^{n-s}$$

have been given in [23]. In the same paper, it was shown that there exists an operator of the form

$$(3.8) \quad \mathcal{L}_q = \sum_{k=0}^{2N} a_k(q^{-N}x)T^{-N}\mathcal{D}_q^k,$$

with

$$(3.9) \quad a_k(x) = \sum_{s=0}^k \alpha_{ks}x^s, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2N,$$

$T$  the  $q$ -shift operator and  $\mathcal{D}_q$  the  $q$ -derivative operator, such that the orthogonal polynomials  $P_n(x)$  satisfy an eigenvalue equation of the kind

$$(3.10) \quad \mathcal{L}_q P_n(x) = \lambda_n P_n(x).$$

Consider the action of the operator  $\mathcal{L}_q$  upon the monomials  $x^n$ . From (3.8) and (3.9) we get

$$(3.11) \quad \mathcal{L}_q x^n = \sum_{s=0} A_n^{(s)} x^{n-s},$$

where

$$(3.12) \quad A_n^{(s)} = q^{N(s-n)}[n][n-1] \cdots [n-s+1]\pi_s(q^n),$$

and

$$(3.13) \quad \pi_s(q^n) = \alpha_{s0} + \sum_{i=1}^{2N-s} \alpha_{s+i,i}[n-s][n-s-1] \cdots [n-s-i+1]$$

are polynomials in  $z = q^n$  of degree not exceeding  $2N - s$ . It is clear that

$$(3.14) \quad A_n^{(s)} = 0, \quad s > 2N$$

(see [23]). The coefficients  $A_n^{(s)}$  completely characterize the operator  $\mathcal{L}_q$  and  $A_n^{(s)}$  are called the representation coefficients of the operator  $\mathcal{L}_q$ .

The coefficients  $A_n^{(s)}$  for the  $q$ -difference operator  $\mathcal{L}_q$  that has the polynomials  $\tilde{P}_n(x)$  (3.7) as eigenfunctions have been constructed in [23], they are the following

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} A_n^{(0)} &= \lambda_n \\ &= \frac{M(q-1)q^{-n(j+1)-1}(q^n; q)_{j+1}(bq^n; q)_{j+1}}{1 - q^{-j-1}} \\ &\quad - (q^{-n} - 1)(1 - bq^{n+j})(bq; q)_{j+1}(q; q)_{j-1}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} A_n^{(1)} &= (1 - q^{-n}) \left( Mq^{j(1-n)}(q^{n+1}; q)_j(bq^n; q)_j(1 - q^{n-1}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (q; q)_{j-1}(bq; q)_{j+1}(1 - q^{n+j-1}) \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} A_n^{(s)} &= M(q-1)q^{(s-n)(j+1)-1} \frac{(q^{-j}; q)_{s-1}(q^{n-s}; q)_{s+j+1}(bq^n; q)_{j-s+1}}{(q; q)_s} \\ &\quad \text{if } s \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Note that from the above formula it follows  $A_n^{(s)} = 0$  if  $s > j + 1$

**4. Limit of the Krall-Jacobi polynomials as  $q \rightarrow -1$ .** In this section we construct the  $q \rightarrow -1$  limit of the coefficients  $A_n^{(s)}$ . We take  $j = 2$  and put

$$(4.1) \quad q = -e^\epsilon, \quad b = -e^{\beta\epsilon},$$

Note that  $|qb| < 1$  implies that  $\beta + 1 > 0$ .

Substituting into the  $A_n^{(s)}$  as given in (3.15)-(3.17) and taking the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$(4.2) \quad \frac{A_n^{(0)}}{\epsilon^3} \rightarrow E_n^{(0)} = \begin{cases} -8Mn(n+2)(n+1+\beta) + 8n(\beta+1)(\beta+3) & n \text{ even} \\ 8M(n+1)(n+\beta)(n+2+\beta) - 8(n+2+\beta)(\beta+1)(\beta+3) & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$(4.3) \quad \frac{A_n^{(1)}}{\epsilon^3} \rightarrow E_n^{(1)} = \begin{cases} 8Mn(n+2)(n+1+\beta) - 8n(\beta+1)(\beta+3), & n \text{ even} \\ 8(\beta+1)(\beta+3)(n+1) - 8M(n^2-1)(n+\beta), & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$(4.4) \quad \frac{A_n^{(2)}}{\epsilon^3} \rightarrow E_n^{(2)} = \begin{cases} 8Mn(n+2)(n-2), & n \text{ even} \\ -8M(n+1)(n-1)(n+\beta), & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$(4.5) \quad \frac{A_n^{(3)}}{\epsilon^3} \rightarrow E_n^{(3)} = \begin{cases} -8Mn(n+2)(n-2), & n \text{ even} \\ 8M(n+1)(n-1)(n-3), & n \text{ odd} \end{cases} .$$

and  $E_n^{(s)} = 0$  for  $s = 4, 5, 6, \dots$

Consider the form of the  $q$ -difference equation (3.10) in this limit. We divide both sides of (3.10) by  $\epsilon^3$  and introduce the operator  $L_\epsilon$  which acts on the polynomials  $\tilde{P}_n(x)$  as

$$(4.6) \quad L_\epsilon \tilde{P}_n(x) = \epsilon^{-3} \lambda_n \tilde{P}_n(x)$$

For monomials  $x^n$ , from (3.11) and (4.3)-(4.6) we have in the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$(4.7) \quad L_0 x^n = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{L_\epsilon}{\epsilon^3} x^n = E_n^{(0)} x^n + E_n^{(1)} x^{n-1} + E_n^{(2)} x^{n-2} + E_n^{(3)} x^{n-3}$$

This allows one to present the operator  $L_0 = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{L_\epsilon}{\epsilon^3}$  in the form

$$(4.8) \quad \begin{aligned} L_0 = & (-8M + 8Mx + 8Mx^2 - 8Mx^3) \partial_x^3 R \\ & + [-12M/x + 24M + 4\beta M + (36M + 8\beta M)x - (12\beta M + 48M)x^2] \partial_x^2 R \\ & + (12Mx + 4\beta Mx^2 - 12M/x - 4\beta M) \partial_x^2 + [(24M + 16\beta M - 8\beta^2 - 32\beta - 24) \\ & + 24M/x^2 + (4\beta - 12)M/x + (8\beta^2 - 36\beta M - 48M - 4\beta^2 M + 32\beta + 24)x] \partial_x R \\ & + [(4\beta^2 M + 12\beta M)x - (12 + 4\beta)M/x + 24M + 8\beta M] \partial_x \\ & + [12M/x^3 + 4\beta M/x^2 + (12 + 4\beta^2 + 4\beta M + 16\beta)/x \\ & + (8\beta M + 4\beta^2 M - 44\beta - 24 - 4\beta^3 - 24\beta^2)] (1 - R), \end{aligned}$$

where  $R$  is the reflection operator  $Rf(x) = f(-x)$ . We thus have that the polynomials  $\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x)$  are classical and satisfy the eigenvalue equation

$$(4.9) \quad L_0 \tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x) = \tilde{\lambda}_n \tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x),$$

where

$$(4.10) \quad \tilde{\lambda}_n = E_n^{(0)}.$$

The lower degree eigensolutions of (4.9) can be obtained directly as a check and as examples. We take

$$(4.11) \quad \tilde{\lambda}_1 = (\beta + 1)(\beta + 3)(16M - 8(\beta + 3)),$$

and find the first order polynomial solution

$$(4.12) \quad \tilde{P}_1^{(-1)}(x) = x - 1 + \frac{2\beta - 1 - \alpha}{2\beta - 3 - \alpha}.$$

The second-order polynomial solution is

$$(4.13) \quad \tilde{\lambda}_2 = (\beta + 3)(16\beta + 16 - 64M),$$

$$(4.14) \quad \tilde{P}_2^{(-1)}(x) = x^2 - \frac{2(4M - \beta - 1)}{(5 + \beta)(2M - \beta - 1)}x + \frac{2(\beta + 1)}{(5 + \beta)(2M - \beta - 1)}.$$

and the third-order polynomial solution

$$(4.15) \quad \tilde{\lambda}_3 = (3 + \beta)(5 + \beta)(32M - 8 - 8\beta),$$

$$(4.16) \quad \tilde{P}_3^{(-1)}(x) = x^3 - \frac{4(-2M + 1 + \beta)}{(7 + \beta)(-4M + \beta + 1)}x^2 - \frac{4}{7 + \beta}x + \frac{8(1 + \beta)}{(7 + \beta)(5 + \beta)(-4M + \beta + 1)}.$$

Other polynomial eigensolutions can be obtained in the  $q = -1$  limit of (3.1). The weight function (3.5) has the following moments

$$(4.17) \quad \tilde{c}_n = k \left( \frac{(q^2; q)_n}{(bq^3; q)_n} - \frac{1 - q^2}{1 - bq^3} M \delta_{n,0} \right)$$

with  $k$  a different normalization than  $\kappa$  in (3.5).

Using the parametrization (4.1) and taking the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we can directly obtain from the above relation the moments corresponding to the polynomials  $\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}$ .

$$(4.18) \quad \begin{aligned} \mu_{2n} = \mu_{2n-1} &= k \left[ \frac{(1)_n}{(\beta/2 + 3/2)_n} - \frac{2}{3 + \beta} M \delta_{n,0} \right] \\ &= k \left[ \frac{n!}{(\beta/2 + 3/2)_n} + M_0 \delta_{n,0} \right], \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where  $(x)_n = x(x + 1)(x + 2) \cdots (x + n - 1)$  is the ordinary Pochhammer symbol and  $M_0 = -2M/(3 + \beta)$ . The parameter  $M_0$  is the value of the concentrated mass inserted at the point  $x = 0$ . It is seen that  $M_0 > 0$  if  $M < 0$  (recall that condition  $\beta > -1$  is assumed).

Indeed, when  $M_0 = 0$  we have for the moments

$$(4.19) \quad \mu_0 = 1, \mu_{2n} = \mu_{2n-1} = \frac{(1)_n}{(\beta/2 + 3/2)_n}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

They correspond to a special case of the little -1 Jacobi polynomials [12]  $P_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(x)$  when  $\alpha = 1$ . Hence the moments (4.18) are associated with the perturbation of the measure for the little -1 Jacobi polynomials  $P_n^{(1,\beta)}(x)$  by the inserting of the concentrated mass  $M_0$  at the point  $x = 0$ .

It is then easily verified that

$$(4.20) \quad w(x) = \tilde{k} \left( |x|(1-x^2)^{(\beta-1)/2}(1+x) - \frac{4}{(1+\beta)(3+\beta)} M\delta(x) \right),$$

where

$$(4.21) \quad \tilde{k} = \frac{\Gamma(\beta/2 + 3/2)}{\Gamma(\beta/2 + 1/2)} k = \frac{\beta + 1}{2} k$$

is the orthogonality measure for these polynomials. Indeed we see that

$$(4.22) \quad \int_{-1}^1 w(x)x^n dx = \mu_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

with  $\mu_n$  given by (4.18).

Note that the orthogonality measure is positive definite if  $M < 0$  (i.e. the value  $M_0$  of the concentrated mass is positive).

In the following we determine the three term recurrence relation that the polynomials  $\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x)$  verify. It is already known that the little  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials satisfy the relation

$$(4.23) \quad P_{n+1} + b_n P_n + u_n P_{n-1} = x P_n,$$

and that the recurrence coefficients are defined by

$$u_n = A_{n-1} C_n, \quad b_n = A_n + C_n,$$

where  $A_n, C_n$  are given as

$$(4.24) \quad A_n = q^n \frac{(1-aq^{n+1})(1-abq^{n+1})}{(1-abq^{2n+1})(1-abq^{2n+2})}, \quad C_n = aq^n \frac{(1-q^n)(1-bq^n)}{(1-abq^{2n+1})(1-abq^{2n})}.$$

Under the Geronimus transformation

$$(4.25) \quad \tilde{P}_n(x) = P_n(x) - B_n P_{n-1}(x),$$

with  $B_n = \frac{\Phi_n}{\Phi_{n-1}}$  and  $\Phi_n$  defined by (3.3), one obtains the three term recurrence relation

$$(4.26) \quad \tilde{P}_{n+1} + \tilde{b}_n \tilde{P}_n + \tilde{u}_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} = x \tilde{P}_n,$$

with coefficients

$$(4.27) \quad \tilde{u}_1 = \frac{\phi_1}{\phi_0^2} \quad \tilde{u}_n = \frac{u_{n-1} B_n}{B_{n-1}}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots$$

$$(4.28) \quad \tilde{b}_0 = b_0 + \frac{\phi_1}{\phi_0} \quad \tilde{b}_n = b_n + B_{n+1} - B_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

When we set  $a = q^2, q = -e^\epsilon, b = -e^{\beta\epsilon}$  and take the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , Eq. (4.26) reduces to

$$(4.29) \quad \tilde{P}_{n+1}^{(-1)} + \tilde{b}_n^{(-1)}\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)} + \tilde{u}_n^{(-1)}\tilde{P}_{n-1}^{(-1)} = x\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}.$$

Here the coefficients are

$$(4.30) \quad \tilde{b}_n^{(-1)} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (b_n + B_{n+1} - B_n) = b_n^{(-1)} + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (B_{n+1} - B_n)$$

$$(4.31) \quad \tilde{u}_n^{(-1)} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{u_{n-1}B_n}{B_{n-1}} = u_{n-1}^{(-1)} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{B_n}{B_{n-1}},$$

where

$$(4.32) \quad u_n^{(-1)} = -\frac{n(n+2)}{(2n+1+\beta)(2n+3+\beta)}, \quad b_n^{(-1)} = 1$$

when  $n$  is even, and

$$(4.33) \quad u_n^{(-1)} = -\frac{(n+\beta)(n+2+\beta)}{(2n+1+\beta)(2n+3+\beta)}, \quad b_n^{(-1)} = -1$$

when  $n$  is odd. Note that

$$(4.34) \quad \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} B_n = \lim_{q \rightarrow -1} \frac{\Phi_n}{\Phi_{n-1}} = \begin{cases} \frac{n+2}{2n+1+\beta} \frac{M-[(3+\beta)(1+\beta)]/[n(n+1+\beta)]}{M-[(3+\beta)(1+\beta)]/[n(n+1+\beta)]} & \text{n even} \\ -\frac{n+2+\beta}{2n+1+\beta} \frac{M-[(3+\beta)(1+\beta)]/[(n+1)(n+2+\beta)]}{M-[(3+\beta)(1+\beta)]/[(n+1)(n+2+\beta)]} & \text{n odd} \end{cases} .$$

As a final observation, let us identify the matrix orthogonal polynomials that the even (or odd) part of the  $\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x)$  define. Split the polynomials  $\tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x)$  into its even ( $E_n$ ) and odd ( $O_n$ ) parts:

$$(4.35) \quad \tilde{P}_n^{(-1)}(x) = E_n(x) + O_n(x).$$

From the recurrence relation (4.29), we have

$$(4.36) \quad \begin{aligned} x^2 E_n &= E_{n+2} + (\tilde{b}_{n+1}^{(-1)} + \tilde{b}_n^{(-1)})E_{n+1} + (\tilde{u}_{n+1}^{(-1)} + \tilde{u}_n^{(-1)} + (\tilde{b}_n^{(-1)})^2)E_n \\ &+ (\tilde{b}_n^{(-1)} + \tilde{b}_{n-1}^{(-1)})\tilde{u}_n^{(-1)}E_{n-1} + \tilde{u}_{n-1}^{(-1)}\tilde{u}_n^{(-1)}E_{n-2}. \end{aligned}$$

With the redefinition  $E_n = \sigma_n F_n$ ,  $\sigma_n = \sqrt{\tilde{u}_1^{(-1)}\tilde{u}_2^{(-1)} \dots \tilde{u}_n^{(-1)}}$ , it is easy to see that the polynomial  $F_n$  satisfies the five-term recurrence relation,

$$(4.37) \quad x^2 F_n(x) = c_{n,0}F_n + c_{n,1}F_{n-1} + c_{n+1,1}F_{n+1} + c_{n,2}F_{n-2} + c_{n+2,2}F_{n+2}$$

where the coefficients are

$$(4.38) \quad \begin{aligned} c_{n,0} &= (\tilde{u}_{n+1}^{(-1)} + \tilde{u}_n^{(-1)} + (\tilde{b}_n^{(-1)})^2), \quad c_{n,1} = (\tilde{b}_{n-1}^{(-1)} + \tilde{b}_n^{(-1)})\sqrt{\tilde{u}_n^{(-1)}}, \\ c_{n,2} &= \sqrt{\tilde{u}_n^{(-1)}\tilde{u}_{n-1}^{(-1)}}. \end{aligned}$$

From the theorem in [28], the matrix polynomials  $\{P_n(x)\}$  defined by

$$(4.39) \quad P_n(x) = \begin{pmatrix} R_{2,0}(F_{2n})(x) & R_{2,1}(F_{2n})(x) \\ R_{2,0}(F_{2n+1})(x) & R_{2,1}(F_{2n+1})(x) \end{pmatrix}$$



satisfy the matrix three term recurrence relation

$$(4.40) \quad xP_n(x) = D_{n+1}P_{n+1}(x) + E_nP_n(x) + D_n^*P_{n-1}(x)$$

where

$$(4.41) \quad D_n = \begin{pmatrix} c_{2n,2} & 0 \\ c_{2n,1} & c_{2n+1,2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_n = \begin{pmatrix} c_{2n,0} & c_{2n+1,1} \\ c_{2n+1,1} & c_{2n+1,0} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The polynomials  $R_{N,m}(p)(x)$  are defined by

$$(4.42) \quad R_{N,m}(p)(x) = \sum_{n=0}^K \frac{p^{(nN+m)}(0)}{(nN+m)!} x^n,$$

where  $K$  is the integer part of  $(\deg(p(x)) - m)/N$

**5. Conclusion.** To sum up, we have added to the exploration of  $-1$  polynomials by introducing some  $-1$  Krall-Jacobi polynomials. We focused on the simplest positive definite case. They have been obtained from generalized  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials through a limiting procedure and have remarkable features. Noteworthy is the fact that they obey a third-order differential-difference eigenvalue equation involving the reflection operator. The 3-term recurrence relation has also been determined. Finally let us stress that this presents an interesting example of OPs whose measure involves a discrete mass at the center of the orthogonality interval (rather than at its boundary which is more common).

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