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## On $m$-symmetric $d$-orthogonal polynomials

## Sur les polynômes d-orthogonaux m-symétriques

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#### Abstract

In this Note, we prove that all the components of a $d$-symmetric classical $d$-orthogonal are classical and in the case where the sequence is $m$-symmetric and $d$-orthogonal, we prove that the first component of an $m$-symmetric classical $d$-orthogonal is classical. That generalized the Douak and Maroni (1992) [8] results for the case $m=d$. Then we discuss, as far as we know, a new symmetric classical 3-PS.


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## R É S U M É

Dans cette Note, on montre que les composantes d'une suite $d$-symétrique $d$-orthogonale et classique sont aussi classiques. Dans le cas où la suite est $d$-orthogonale classique et $m$-symétrique, on montre que la première composante est $d$-orthogonale classique. On généralise ainsi les résultats de Douak et Maroni (1992) [8]. On donne à la fin de cette note un exemple d'une nouvelle suite 3 -orthogonale symétrique classique.
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## 1. Introduction

Let $\mathcal{P}$ be the vector space of polynomials with coefficients in $\mathbb{C}$ and let $\mathcal{P}^{\prime}$ be its algebraic dual. A polynomial sequence $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ in $\mathcal{P}$ is called a polynomial set (PS, for shorter) if $\operatorname{deg} P_{n}=n$ for all integer $n$. We denote by $\langle u, f\rangle$ the effect of the linear functional $u \in \mathcal{P}^{\prime}$ on the polynomial $f \in \mathcal{P}$. A natural extension of the notion of orthogonality was introduced by Van Iseghem [14] and Maroni [9] as follows:

Definition 1.1. Let $d$ be a positive integer and let $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ be a PS in $\mathcal{P}$. $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is called a $d$-orthogonal polynomial set ( $d$-OPS, for shorter) with respect to the $d$-dimensional functional vector $\Gamma={ }^{t}\left(\Gamma_{0}, \Gamma_{1}, \ldots, \Gamma_{d-1}\right)$ if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\left\langle\Gamma_{k}, P_{m} P_{n}\right\rangle=0, \quad m>n d+k, n \geqslant 0, k=0, \ldots, d-1, \\
\left\langle\Gamma_{k}, P_{n} P_{n d+k}\right\rangle \neq 0, \quad n \geqslant 0 .
\end{array}\right.
$$

For the particular case $d=1$, we meet the well known notion of orthogonality [7].

[^0]Definition 1.2. Let $m$ be a nonnegative integer. A PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is called $m$-symmetric if $P_{n}(w x)=w^{n} P_{n}(x)$ for all $n$, where $w=e^{\frac{2 \mathrm{in} \pi}{m+1}}$ an $(m+1)$-root of the unity.

For the particular case: $m=1$, we meet the well-known notion of symmetric PS [7]. A characteristic property of $m$ symmetric PS is given by the following:

Proposition 1.3. A PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is $m$-symmetric if and only if there exist $(m+1) P S s\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}, k=0, \ldots, m$, such that $P_{(m+1) n+k}(x)=$ $x^{k} P_{n}^{k}\left(x^{m+1}\right), n \geqslant 0$.

The PSs $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}, k=0, \ldots, m$, are called the components of the $m$-symmetric PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$.
There exist in the literature many works dealing with $m$-symmetric $d$-orthogonal polynomials for particular couples $(m, d)$. One of the main questions related to this notion asks to find properties satisfied by the components and corresponding to fixed ones satisfied by the involved $m$-symmetric $d$-OPS.

The case $(m, d)=(1,1)$ is widely known (see, for instance, Chihara [7]). The case $(m, d)=(m, 1), m>1$, corresponds to the orthogonality on certain sets in the complex domain and having some symmetrical properties. This case was investigated by Ben Cheikh [1] where the author unified some previous works written by Carlitz [6], Milovanovič [11], Marcellàn and Sansigre [10] and Ricci [12]. The case $(m, d)=(d, d), d>1$, was initiated by Douak and Maroni [8] where the authors characterized the $d$-symmetric $d$-OPSs by means of a lacunary $(d+1)$-order recurrence relation and showed the $d$-orthogonality of the components. Other results for these polynomials were derived by Ben Cheikh and Douak [2] and Ben Cheikh and Gaied [5]. In [4], the authors gave some characteristic properties for the $d$-symmetric classical $d$-orthogonal polynomials related to generating functions and recuro-differential equation. The aim of this Note is to generalize some results obtained by Douak and Maroni [8] to the case ( $m, d$ ) where $d>1$ and $m \leqslant d$. Without loosing the generality, in which follows we assume that the polynomials $P_{n}, n \geqslant 0$, are monic.

## 2. m-Symmetric d-OPSs

### 2.1. Characterizations of m-symmetric d-OPSs

Let $d$ be a positive integer and $m$ be a nonnegative integer satisfying $m \leqslant d$. Next, we give a necessary condition on $m$ and $d$ to have an $m$-symmetric $d$-OPS and two characterizations of $m$-symmetric $d$-OPSs. We denote by $\tilde{X}^{k}$ the multiplication operator by $x^{k}$ in $\mathcal{P}$.

Theorem 2.1. Let $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ be a d-OPS. Then the following properties are equivalent:
(i) The PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is m-symmetric.
(ii) $d+1$ is a multiple of $m+1$, say $d+1=p(m+1)$, and the $P S\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ satisfies $a(d+1)$-order recurrence relation of type

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} P_{n}=P_{n+1}+\sum_{j=1}^{p} \gamma_{n, j} P_{n-j(m+1)+1} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $\gamma_{n, p} \neq 0$ and the convention $P_{-n}=0$ for all $n \geqslant 1$.
Proof. (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) Since $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ is a $d$-OPS, it satisfies a ( $d+1$ )-order recurrence relation of type (cf. [9]):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} P_{n}=P_{n+1}+\sum_{k=0}^{d} \alpha_{k, n-d+k} P_{n-d+k}, \quad \alpha_{0, n-d} \neq 0 \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Take the polynomials in (2) at $w x$, and use the fact that the PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is $m$-symmetric, we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} P_{n}=P_{n+1}+\sum_{k=0}^{d} \alpha_{k, n-d+k} w^{k-d-1} P_{n-d+k} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Comparing the coefficients of $P_{n-d}$ in (2) and (3) we deduce that $w^{d+1}=1$ since $\alpha_{0, n-d} \neq 0$. It follows then $d+1$ is a multiple of $m+1$. If we compare the coefficients of $P_{n-d-k}$ in (2) and (3) we deduce that

$$
\tilde{X} P_{n}=P_{n+1}+\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \alpha_{j(m+1), n-d+j(m+1)} P_{n-d+j(m+1)}=P_{n+1}+\sum_{j=1}^{p} \gamma_{n, j} P_{n-j(m+1)+1}, \quad \text { with } \gamma_{n, p} \neq 0
$$

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) From (1) we get $P_{j}(x)=x^{j}$ for $0 \leqslant j \leqslant m$. The result is obtained by induction.

### 2.2. Properties of the components

As an analogue of the Hahn's characterization for classical polynomials when $d=1$, Douak and Maroni [8] introduced the concept of classical $d$-orthogonal polynomials as follows:

Definition 2.2. A PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is called classical $d$-orthogonal if and only if both $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ and $\left\{(1 /(n+1)) P_{n+1}^{\prime}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ are d-orthogonal.

They showed that if $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is a $d$-symmetric $d$-OPS, all the components $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}, k=0, \ldots, d$, are $d$-orthogonal and if moreover $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ is classical, the first component $P_{n}^{0}$ is classical. In this subsection, we generalize these two results by proving that they remain true for $m$-symmetric $d$-OPS and we improve the second one by proving that all the $d+1$ components are classical.

Theorem 2.3. Let $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ be an $m$-symmetric $d$-OPS. Then its components $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0, k=0, \ldots, m$, are $d$-orthogonal.
Proof. Since $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is an $m$-symmetric $d$-OPS, it verifies the following recurrence relation:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} P_{n}=P_{n+1}+\sum_{j=1}^{p} \alpha_{j, n} P_{n+1-j(m+1)}, \quad \alpha_{p, n-d} \neq 0 \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

We apply the operator $\tilde{X}$ on both sides of (4) and we replace $\tilde{X} P_{q}$ by a relation of type (4). We obtain a relation of type $\tilde{X}^{2} P_{n}=P_{n+2}+\sum_{j=1}^{2 p} \alpha_{2, j, n} P_{n+2-j(m+1)}$, with $\alpha_{2,2 p, n} \neq 0$. By iteration, we deduce that for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n \geqslant r d$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X}^{r} P_{n}=P_{n+r}+\sum_{j=1}^{r p} \alpha_{r, j, n} P_{n+r-j(m+1)} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $\alpha_{r, r p, n} \neq 0$. Thus $\tilde{X}^{m+1} P_{n(m+1)+k}=P_{(n+1)(m+1)+k}+\sum_{j=1}^{p(m+1)=d+1} \alpha_{m+1, j, n(m+1)+k} P_{(n-j+1)(m+1)+k}$, which is equivalent to $\tilde{X}^{m+1} P_{n(m+1)+k}=P_{(n+1)(m+1)+k}+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \alpha_{j, n-d+j} P_{(n-d+j)(m+1)+k}$, with $\alpha_{0, n-d} \neq 0$. It results that $x^{m+1} P_{n}^{k}\left(x^{m+1}\right)=$ $P_{n+1}^{k}\left(x^{m+1}\right)+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \alpha_{j, n-d+j} P_{n-d+j}^{k}\left(x^{m+1}\right)$, with $\alpha_{0, n-d} \neq 0$. In other words $\tilde{X} P_{n}^{k}=P_{n+1}^{k}+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \alpha_{j, n-d+j} P_{n-d+j}^{k}, \alpha_{0, n-d} \neq 0$. Then $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}, k=0, \ldots, m$, is a $d$-OPS.

### 2.2.1. Classical d-OPSs

Douak and Maroni showed in [8] that if $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ is a $d$-symmetric classical $d$-OPS, then the first component $\left\{P_{n}^{0}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ is classical. Next, we prove that all the components $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0, k=0, \ldots, d$, are classical and if $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is $m$-symmetric and classical, we prove that the first component is classical. We state the following:

Theorem 2.4. If $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is a d-symmetric classical d-OPS, then its components $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}, k=0, \ldots, d$, are classical d-orthogonal.
Proof. Since $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ and $\left\{A_{n}=(1 /(n+1)) P_{n+1}^{\prime}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ are $d$-symmetric $d$-orthogonal, it results from Theorem 2.3 that the families $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ and $\left\{A_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ are $d$-orthogonal, $k=0, \ldots, d$. Our goal here is to prove that the family $\left\{P_{n}^{k}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ is classical. It is enough to prove that the PS $\left\{K_{n}^{k}=(1 /(n+1))\left(P_{n+1}^{k}\right)^{\prime}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ verifies a recurrence relation of type (2).

Case $k=0$. We recall that $P_{n+1}^{0}\left(x^{d+1}\right)=P_{(n+1)(d+1)}(x)$. Then taking derivatives in both sides of this relation, we obtain:

$$
\begin{equation*}
x^{d} K_{n}^{0}\left(x^{d+1}\right)=A_{(n+1)(d+1)-1}(x) \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\left\{A_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is $d$-symmetric and $d$-orthogonal, we replace in (5) $r$ by $d+1$ and $n$ by $(n+1)(d+1)-1$, we have:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{X}^{d+1} A_{(n+1)(d+1)-1} & =A_{(n+2)(d+1)-1}+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \beta_{j,(n+2-j)(d+1)} A_{(n+2-j)(d+1)-1}+\gamma_{n-d} A_{(n+1-d)(d+1)-1} \\
& =A_{(n+2)(d+1)-1}+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \beta_{d+1-j,(n-d+j+1)(d+1)} A_{(n-d+j+1)(d+1)-1},
\end{aligned}
$$

with $\beta_{d+1,(n-d+1)(d+1)} \neq 0$. Then $x^{d+1} K_{n}^{0}\left(x^{d+1}\right)=K_{n+1}^{0}\left(x^{d+1}\right)+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \beta_{d+1-j,(n-d+j+1)(d+1)} K_{n-d+j}^{0}\left(x^{d+1}\right)$. Thus $\tilde{X} K_{n}^{0}=K_{n+1}^{0}+$ $\sum_{j=0}^{d} C_{n-d+j} K_{n-d+j}^{0}, C_{n-d} \neq 0$, which means that $\left\{P_{n}^{0}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is classical and $d$-orthogonal.

Case $k \geqslant 1$. The PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is classical $d$-symmetric $d$-orthogonal, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} P_{n}=P_{n+1}+b_{n-d} P_{n-d}, \quad b_{n-d} \neq 0 . \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Moreover since $\left\{A_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is $d$-symmetric and $d$-orthogonal, $\tilde{X} A_{n}=A_{n+1}+a_{n-d} A_{n-d}$, with $a_{n-d} \neq 0$. Taking derivatives in both sides of (7) and $x^{k} P_{n+1}^{k}\left(x^{d+1}\right)=P_{(n+1)(d+1)+k}(x)$, we obtain:

$$
\begin{equation*}
P_{n+1}=A_{n+1}+\left((n+1-d) b_{n+1-d}-(n+1) a_{n-d}\right) A_{n-d} . \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then $k P_{n+1}^{k}+(d+1)(n+1) \tilde{X} K_{n}^{k}=((n+1)(d+1)+k)\left(A_{n+1}^{k}+a_{n(d+1)+k} A_{n}^{k}\right)$.
From (8), we deduce that $P_{n(d+1)+k}=A_{n(d+1)+k}+\left(((n-1)(d+1)+k) b_{(n-1)(d+1)+k}-(n(d+1)+k) a_{(n-1)(d+1)+k}\right) \times$ $A_{(n-1)(d+1)+k}$ and then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} K_{n}^{k}=A_{n+1}^{k}+\delta_{n, k} A_{n}^{k} . \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

We recall that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X} A_{n}^{k}=A_{n+1}^{k}+\sum_{j=0}^{d} a_{k, n-d+j} A_{n-d+j}^{k}, \quad \text { with } a_{k, n-d} \neq 0 \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Replace in this equation $n$ by $n+1$ and $A_{j+1}^{k}$ by $\tilde{X} K_{j}^{k}-\delta_{j, k} A_{j}^{k}$, to obtain: $\tilde{X}^{2} K_{n}^{k}=\tilde{X} K_{n+1}^{k}+\sum_{j=0}^{d} b_{k, n-d+j} \tilde{X} K_{n-d+j}^{k}+$ $c_{k, n-d-1} A_{n-d-1}^{k}$. If $c_{k, n-d-1} \neq 0$ for a suitable $n$, then $A_{n-d-1}^{k}(0)=0$, and from (9) $A_{n-d}^{k}(0)=0$. Then from (10), we deduce that $A_{1}=0$ which is impossible.

Theorem 2.5. Let $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ be an m-symmetric classical d-OPS, then its first component $\left\{P_{n}^{0}\right\}_{n} \geqslant 0$ is a classical d-OPS.
Proof. Since the PS $\left\{A_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ is $m$-symmetric $d$-orthogonal, it fulfills (5). We replace $r$ by $m+1$ and $n$ by $(n+1)(m+1)-1$ in this relation to obtain: $\tilde{X}^{m+1} A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1}=A_{(n+2)(m+1)-1}+\sum_{j=1}^{d+1} \gamma_{n, j} A_{(n+2-j)(m+1)-1}$, with $\gamma_{n, n-d} \neq 0$. Thus

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{X}^{m+1} A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1}=A_{(n+2)(m+1)-1}+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \alpha_{n-d+j} A_{(n-d+j+1)(m+1)-1}, \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $\alpha_{n-d} \neq 0$. If we take derivatives in both sides of the relation $P_{n+1}^{0}\left(x^{m+1}\right)=P_{(n+1)(m+1)}(x)$, we obtain:

$$
\begin{equation*}
x^{m} K_{n}^{0}\left(x^{m+1}\right)=A_{(n+1)(m+1)-1}(x) \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $K_{n}^{0}=(1 /(n+1))\left(P_{n+1}^{0}\right)^{\prime}$. From (11) and (12) we deduce that $x^{m+1} x^{m} K_{n}^{0}\left(x^{m+1}\right)=x^{m} K_{n+1}^{0}\left(x^{m+1}\right)+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \alpha_{n-d+j} x^{m}$. $K_{n-d+j}^{0}\left(x^{m+1}\right)$, with $\alpha_{n-d} \neq 0$, which is equivalent to $\tilde{X} K_{n}^{0}=K_{n+1}^{0}+\sum_{j=0}^{d} \alpha_{n-d+j} K_{n-d+j}^{0}$, with $\alpha_{n-d} \neq 0$, and the desired result follows.

## 3. Example

We introduce, as far as we know, a new 3-OPS defined by a generating function. Using the identity 2, Problem 7, p. 213 in [13] and Theorem 1 in [3], one can easily prove that the PS $\left\{P_{n}\right\}_{n \geqslant 0}$ generated by: $e^{t^{m+1}}{ }_{0} F_{r}\left(\begin{array}{c}- \\ b_{1}, \ldots, b_{r}\end{array}-x t\right)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_{n}(x) t^{n}$ is $m$-symmetric classical $((m+1)(r+1)-1)$-orthogonal. Moreover the corresponding $m+1$ components are also classical $((m+1)(r+1)-1)$-orthogonal.

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