### ON GAUSS-KRONROD QUADRATURE FORMULAE OF CHEBYSHEV TYPE

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ABSTRACT. We prove that there is no positive measure  $d\sigma$  on (a, b) such that the corresponding Gauss-Kronrod quadrature formula is also a Chebyshev quadrature formula. The same is true if we consider measures of the form  $d\sigma(t) = \omega(t)dt$ , where  $\omega(t)$  is even, on a symmetric interval (-a, a), and the Gauss-Kronrod formula is required to have equal weights only for n even. We also show that the only positive and even measure  $d\sigma(t) = d\sigma(-t)$  on (-1, 1) for which the Gauss-Kronrod formula has all weights equal if n = 1, or has the form  $\int_{-1}^{1} f(t) d\sigma(t) = w \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} f(\tau_{\nu}) + w_1 f(1) + w \sum_{\mu=2}^{n} f(\tau_{\mu}^{*}) + w_1 f(-1) + R_n^{K}(f)$  for all  $n \ge 2$ , is the Chebyshev measure of the first kind  $d\sigma_C(t) = (1 - t^2)^{-1/2} dt$ .

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Let  $d\sigma$  be a positive measure on the interval (a, b), whose moments all exist,

(1.1) 
$$\mu_i = \int_a^b t^i \, d\sigma(t) < \infty, \qquad i = 0, \, 1, \, 2, \, \dots$$

The Gauss-Kronrod quadrature formula for  $d\sigma$  has the form

(1.2) 
$$\int_{a}^{b} f(t) \, d\sigma(t) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} \sigma_{\nu} f(\tau_{\nu}) + \sum_{\mu=1}^{n+1} \sigma_{\mu}^{*} f(\tau_{\mu}^{*}) + R_{n}^{K}(f) \,,$$

where  $\tau_{\nu} = \tau_{\nu}^{(n)}$  are the zeros of the *n*th-degree (monic) orthogonal polynomial  $\pi_n(\cdot) = \pi_n(\cdot; d\sigma)$ , and the  $\tau_{\mu}^* = \tau_{\mu}^{*(n)}$ ,  $\sigma_{\nu} = \sigma_{\nu}^{(n)}$ , and  $\sigma_{\mu}^* = \sigma_{\mu}^{*(n)}$  are determined such that (1.2) has maximum degree of exactness (at least) 3n + 1, i.e.,  $R_n^K(f) = 0$  for all  $f \in \mathbb{P}_{3n+1}$ . Then the  $\tau_{\mu}^*$  must be the zeros of a (monic) polynomial  $\pi_{n+1}^*(\cdot) = \pi_{n+1}^*(\cdot; d\sigma)$ , called the Stieltjes polynomial, which satisfies the orthogonality condition

(1.3) 
$$\int_{a}^{b} \pi_{n}(t) \pi_{n+1}^{*}(t) t^{i} d\sigma(t) = 0, \qquad i = 0, 1, \dots, n,$$

that is,  $\pi_{n+1}^*$  is orthogonal to all polynomials of lower degree with respect to the oscillatory measure  $d\sigma^*(t) = \pi_n(t)d\sigma(t)$  on (a, b). It can be shown that

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 $\pi_{n+1}^*$  is uniquely defined by (1.3) (see [1, §4]). However, since  $d\sigma^*$  changes sign on (a, b), the reality of the  $\tau_{\mu}^*$  cannot in general be assumed.

A quadrature rule

(1.4) 
$$\int_{a}^{b} f(t) d\sigma(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{i} f(t_{i}) + R_{n}^{C}(f)$$

with equal weights

(1.5) 
$$w_1^{(n)} = w_2^{(n)} = \dots = w_n^{(n)}$$

is called a Chebyshev quadrature rule, if the nodes  $t_k = t_k^{(n)}$  are real and if (1.4) has degree of exactness (at least) n. By setting f(t) = 1 in (1.4), we find, in view of (1.5),

(1.6) 
$$w_i = \frac{\mu_0}{n}, \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

It is well known that the only equally weighted (for all n) Gauss formula is the one relative to the Chebyshev measure of the first kind,  $d\sigma_C(t) = (1-t^2)^{-1/2}dt$  on (-1, 1) (see, e.g., [2, §4]). If the Gauss formula has the equicoefficient property only for n even, then among the positive measures of the form  $d\sigma(t) = \omega(t)dt$ , where  $\omega(t)$  is even, with symmetric support, the only one admitting such a formula is, up to a linear transformation,

(1.7) 
$$d\sigma_{\xi}(t) = \begin{cases} |t|(t^2 - \xi^2)^{-1/2}(1 - t^2)^{-1/2}dt, & t \in [-1, -\xi] \cup [\xi, 1], \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(see [3, §6]).

The only Gauss-Kronrod formula known, which is almost of Chebyshev type, is the one relative to the Chebyshev measure of the first kind,

(1.8) 
$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(t)(1-t^2)^{-1/2} dt = \frac{\pi}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{3} f\left(\cos\frac{2i-1}{6}\pi\right) + R_1^{KC}(f),$$
$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(t)(1-t^2)^{-1/2} dt = \frac{\pi}{2n} \left[\frac{1}{2}f(-1) + \sum_{i=1}^{2n-1} f\left(\cos\frac{i\pi}{2n}\right) + \frac{1}{2}f(1)\right] + R_n^{KC}(f), \quad n \ge 2$$

(see, e.g., [6, equation (43)]). Incidentally, the second formula in (1.8) is the same as the Gauss-Lobatto formula for  $d\sigma_C(t) = (1 - t^2)^{-1/2} dt$  with 2n + 1 points, hence it has elevated degree of exactness 4n - 1.

Equally-weighted quadrature rules are useful in practice because they minimize the effect of random errors in the values of  $f(t_i)$  in (1.4). Therefore, it is interesting to examine if there are positive measures admitting Gauss-Kronrod formulae of Chebyshev type. In the next section we show that such measures do not exist. This is also the case if we consider measures of the form  $d\sigma(t) = \omega(t)dt$ , where  $\omega(t)$  is even, with symmetric support, and the Gauss-Kronrod formula is required to have equal weights only for n even. Naturally, one then wonders if there are at least other Gauss-Kronrod formulae of the form (1.8). In §3, we prove that the only positive and even measure  $d\sigma(t) = d\sigma(-t)$  on (-1, 1), which gives rise to a Gauss-Kronrod formula of the type (1.8), is  $d\sigma_C(t) = (1 - t^2)^{-1/2}dt$ . In both sections we follow the technique used by

Geronimus [4, 5] to show that the only Gauss formula of Chebyshev type is the one relative to the Chebyshev measure of the first kind.

# 2. Nonexistence of Gauss-Kronrod quadrature formulae of Chebyshev type

It is known that for any positive measure  $d\sigma$  on (a, b) the respective (monic) orthogonal polynomials  $\{\pi_i(\cdot; d\sigma)\}\$  satisfy a three-term recurrence relation of the form

(2.1) 
$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{-1}(t) &= 0, \quad \pi_0(t) = 1, \\ \pi_{i+1}(t) &= (t - \alpha_i)\pi_i(t) - \beta_i\pi_{i-1}(t), \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where the recursion coefficients  $\alpha_i = \alpha_i(d\sigma)$  and  $\beta_i = \beta_i(d\sigma)$  are given by the formulae

(2.2)  

$$\alpha_{i} = \frac{\int_{a}^{b} t[\pi_{i}(t)]^{2} d\sigma(t)}{\int_{a}^{b} [\pi_{i}(t)]^{2} d\sigma(t)}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\beta_{0} = \int_{a}^{b} d\sigma(t), \quad \beta_{i} = \frac{\int_{a}^{b} [\pi_{i}(t)]^{2} d\sigma(t)}{\int_{a}^{b} [\pi_{i-1}(t)]^{2} d\sigma(t)}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots,$$

hence  $\beta_i > 0$ , i = 0, 1, 2, ... Using (2.1) and induction, we can show that

(2.3)  
$$\pi_{n}(t) = t^{n} - \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_{i}\right) t^{n-1} + \left(\sum_{\substack{i, j=0\\i < j}}^{n-1} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \beta_{i}\right) t^{n-2} + \cdots, \qquad n \ge 1.$$

A similar formula can be obtained for the corresponding Stieltjes polynomial. Lemma 2.1. The Stieltjes polynomial  $\pi_{n+1}^*(\cdot; d\sigma)$  has the form

(2.4)  

$$\pi_{n+1}^{*}(t) = t^{n+1} - \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n} \alpha_{i}\right) t^{n} + \left(\sum_{\substack{i, j=0\\i < j}}^{n} \alpha_{i}\alpha_{j} - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \beta_{i}\right) t^{n-1} + \cdots, \quad n \ge 1.$$

*Proof.* Expanding  $\pi_{n+1}^*$  in terms of  $\pi_i$ , we have

(2.5) 
$$\pi_{n+1}^*(t) = \pi_{n+1}(t) + c_0\pi_n(t) + \dots + c_{n-1}\pi_1(t) + c_n\pi_0(t),$$

and then substituting into (1.3) with i = 0, 1 yields, by means of (2.2) and orthogonality,

(2.6) 
$$c_0 = 0, \quad c_1 = -\beta_{n+1}.$$

These, together with (2.3) and (2.5), imply (2.4).  $\Box$ 

We can now prove our main result.

**Theorem 2.2.** There is no positive measure  $d\sigma$  on (a, b) relative to which (1.2) is also a Chebyshev quadrature formula for each n = 1, 2, ...

*Proof.* Assume that there exists a positive measure  $d\sigma$  on (a, b) for which (1.2) is a Chebyshev quadrature formula, that is, has the form

(2.7) 
$$\int_{a}^{b} f(t) \, d\sigma(t) = \frac{\mu_{0}}{2n+1} \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} f(\tau_{\nu}) + \sum_{\mu=1}^{n+1} f(\tau_{\mu}^{*}) \right] + R_{n}^{K}(f).$$

Since for each n = 1, 2, ..., (2.7) is exact for f(t) = t and  $f(t) = t^2$ , we obtain

(2.8) 
$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} \tau_{\nu} + \sum_{\mu=1}^{n+1} \tau_{\mu}^{*} = (2n+1)m_{1}, \qquad \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} \tau_{\nu}^{2} + \sum_{\mu=1}^{n+1} \tau_{\mu}^{*2} = (2n+1)m_{2}^{2},$$

where  $m_1 = \mu_1 / \mu_0$  and  $m_2^2 = \mu_2 / \mu_0$ . Let

(2.9) 
$$p_{2n+1}(t) = \pi_n(t)\pi_{n+1}^*(t)$$

with  $\pi_n(t) = \prod_{\nu=1}^n (t - \tau_{\nu})$  and  $\pi_{n+1}^*(t) = \prod_{\mu=1}^{n+1} (t - \tau_{\mu}^*)$ . First, because of (2.8) we must have

(2.10) 
$$p_{2n+1}(t) = t^{2n+1} - (2n+1)m_1t^{2n} + \frac{2n+1}{2} \left[ (2n+1)m_1^2 - m_2^2 \right] t^{2n-1} + \cdots$$

Also, substituting  $\pi_n(t)$  and  $\pi_{n+1}^*(t)$  in (2.9) from (2.3) and (2.4), one finds, after a simple computation,

(2.11)

$$p_{2n+1}(t) = t^{2n+1} - \left(2\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_i + \alpha_n\right) t^{2n} \\ + \left[\left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_i\right)^2 + 2\sum_{\substack{i,j=0\\i< j}}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j - \left(2\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \beta_i + \beta_n + \beta_{n+1}\right)\right] t^{2n-1} + \cdots \right]$$

Equating the coefficients of  $t^{2n}$  and  $t^{2n-1}$  gives

(2.12)  
$$2\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_i + \alpha_n = (2n+1)m_1, \qquad n \ge 1,$$
$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_i\right)^2 + 2\sum_{\substack{i,j=0\\i< j}}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j - \left(2\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \beta_i + \beta_n + \beta_{n+1}\right)$$
$$= \frac{2n+1}{2} \left[(2n+1)m_1^2 - m_2^2\right], \qquad n \ge 1.$$

Now from (2.2) we find

(2.13)  $\alpha_0 = m_1, \qquad \beta_1 = m_2^2 - m_1^2,$ 

which, inserted into (2.12), yields, for n = 1,

(2.14)  $\alpha_1 = m_1, \qquad \beta_2 = \frac{1}{2}(m_2^2 - m_1^2),$ 

and for n = 2,

(2.15) 
$$\alpha_2 = m_1, \qquad \beta_3 = 0.$$

This contradicts the fact that  $\beta_3 > 0$ .  $\Box$ 

The negative result of Theorem 2.2 leads us to explore the possibility of having Gauss-Kronrod formulae with equal weights only for n even. We restrict our search among the positive measures of the type  $d\sigma(t) = \omega(t)dt$ , where  $\omega(t)$  is even, with symmetric support (-a, a). Thus, we want (1.2) to have the form

(2.16) 
$$\int_{-a}^{a} f(t)\omega(t) dt = \frac{\mu_0}{2n+1} \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} f(\tau_{\nu}) + \sum_{\mu=1}^{n+1} f(\tau_{\mu}^*) \right] + R_n^K(f), \qquad n = 2k.$$

Since  $d\sigma$  is an even measure with symmetric support, using orthogonality and (1.3), one easily shows by uniqueness that  $\pi_n$  and  $\pi_{n+1}^*$  are always either even or odd depending on the parity of n, that is,

(2.17) 
$$\begin{aligned} \pi_n(-t) &= (-1)^n \pi_n(t), \qquad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ \pi_{n+1}^*(-t) &= (-1)^{n+1} \pi_{n+1}^*(t), \qquad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the  $\tau_{\nu}$  and  $\tau_{\mu}^*$  in (2.16) are symmetric with respect to the origin. Setting  $f(t) = g(t^2)$ ,  $g \in \mathbb{P}_{[(3n+1)/2]}$ , where [.] denotes the integer part of a real number, it follows by symmetry that

(2.18) 
$$\int_0^a g(t^2)\omega(t) dt = \frac{\mu_0}{4k+1} \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^k g(\tau_\nu^2) + \sum_{\mu=1}^k g(\tau_\mu^{*2}) + \frac{1}{2}g(0) \right]$$
for all  $g \in \mathbb{P}_{3k}$ .

Letting  $t = x^{1/2}$ , so that  $dt = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}dx$ , we get

(2.19)  
$$\int_{0}^{a^{2}} g(x)\omega(x^{1/2})x^{-1/2} dx$$
$$= \frac{2\mu_{0}}{4k+1} \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^{k} g(\tau_{\nu}^{2}) + \sum_{\mu=1}^{k} g(\tau_{\mu}^{*2}) + \frac{1}{2}g(0) \right] \text{ for all } g \in \mathbb{P}_{3k}.$$

If  $\overline{\omega}(x) = \omega(x^{1/2})x^{-1/2}$  and  $\overline{a} = a^2$ , then  $\overline{\mu}_0 = \mu_0$ ,  $\overline{\tau}_\nu = \tau_\nu^2$ , and  $\overline{\tau}_\mu^* = \tau_\mu^{*2}$ , where for the rest of this section all the quantities carrying a bar refer to the measure  $d\overline{\sigma}(x) = \overline{\omega}(x)dx$  on  $(0, \overline{a})$ . Replacing x by t in (2.19), we obtain

(2.20) 
$$\int_0^{\overline{a}} g(t)\overline{\omega}(t) dt = \frac{\overline{\mu}_0}{2k+1/2} \left[ \sum_{\nu=1}^k g(\overline{\tau}_\nu) + \sum_{\mu=1}^k g(\overline{\tau}_\mu^*) + \frac{1}{2}g(0) \right]$$
for all  $g \in \mathbb{P}_{2k}$ .

Therefore, it comes down to examining if there exist Gauss-Kronrod formulae of the type (2.20), that is, one of the zeros of  $\overline{\pi}_{k+1}^*$  is 0, and all the weights are equal except the one corresponding to the node at 0.

Our findings are given in the following:

**Theorem 2.3.** There is no positive measure of the form  $d\sigma(t) = \omega(t)dt$ , where  $\omega(t)$  is even, with symmetric support (-a, a), for which (1.2) has equal weights for all n even.

*Proof.* To prove the theorem, it suffices to show that there is no Gauss-Kronrod formula of the type (2.20). If we assume that such a formula exists, by much the same way as in the proof of Theorem 2.2, we find that  $\overline{p}_{2k+1}$  (cf. (2.9)) must have the form

(2.21) 
$$\overline{p}_{2k+1}(t) = t^{2k+1} - \left(2k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\overline{m}_1 t^{2k} + \frac{2k + 1/2}{2} \left[\left(2k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\overline{m}_1^2 - \overline{m}_2^2\right] t^{2k-1} + \cdots,$$

where  $\overline{m}_1 = \overline{\mu}_1/\overline{\mu}_0$  and  $\overline{m}_2^2 = \overline{\mu}_2/\overline{\mu}_0$ . Then from (2.21) and (2.11), with  $\overline{p}_{2k+1}$  in place of  $p_{2n+1}$ , we obtain the equations

$$2\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \overline{\alpha}_i + \overline{\alpha}_k = \left(2k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\overline{m}_1, \qquad k \ge 1,$$

$$(2.22) \qquad \left(\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \overline{\alpha}_i\right)^2 + 2\sum_{\substack{i,j=0\\i< j}}^k \overline{\alpha}_i \overline{\alpha}_j - \left(2\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \overline{\beta}_i + \overline{\beta}_k + \overline{\beta}_{k+1}\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{2k + 1/2}{2} \left[\left(2k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\overline{m}_1^2 - \overline{m}_2^2\right], \qquad k \ge 1,$$

where  $\overline{\alpha}_i = \alpha_i(d\overline{\sigma})$  and  $\overline{\beta}_i = \beta_i(d\overline{\sigma})$ . From (2.13) we have

(2.23) 
$$\overline{\alpha}_0 = \overline{m}_1, \qquad \overline{\beta}_1 = \overline{m}_2^2 - \overline{m}_1^2.$$

Then (2.22) gives, for k = 1,

(2.24) 
$$\overline{\alpha}_1 = \frac{1}{2}\overline{m}_1, \qquad \overline{\beta}_2 = \frac{1}{4}(\overline{m}_2^2 - \frac{1}{2}\overline{m}_1^2),$$

and for k = 2,

(2.25) 
$$\overline{\alpha}_2 = \frac{3}{2}\overline{m}_1, \qquad \overline{\beta}_3 = -\frac{1}{4}\overline{m}_1^2,$$

which contradicts the fact that  $\overline{\beta}_3 > 0$ .  $\Box$ 

## 3. Gauss-Kronrod quadrature formulae almost of Chebyshev type

Throughout this section  $d\sigma$  is a positive and even measure  $d\sigma(t) = d\sigma(-t)$ on (-1, 1). Then some of the quantities and formulae of the previous sections take a special form. First, it is clear from (1.1) that

(3.1) 
$$\mu_i = 0 \quad \text{for all } i \text{ odd.}$$

Also,  $\pi_i$  is either even or odd depending on the parity of *i* (cf. (2.17)). Then it follows from (2.2) that

(3.2) 
$$\alpha_i = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Moreover, (2.4) with n = 1 implies

(3.3) 
$$\pi_2^*(t) = t^2 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2),$$

hence (cf. (2.9) with n = 1)

(3.4) 
$$p_3(t) = \pi_1(t)\pi_2^*(t) = t^3 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2)t = \pi_3(t),$$

where for the last equality in (3.4) we used (2.3) and (2.17). Therefore, for n = 1, the Gauss-Kronrod formula is the 3-point Gauss formula. (The same is true if the support of  $d\sigma$  is any interval symmetric with respect to the origin.) We want to determine if there are any other positive and even measures  $d\sigma$  on (-1, 1), besides the Chebyshev measure of the first kind, for which the Gauss-Kronrod formula has the form

(3.5) 
$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(t) d\sigma(t) = \frac{\mu_0}{3} [f(\tau_1) + f(\tau_1^*) + f(\tau_2^*)] + R_1^K(f),$$
$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(t) d\sigma(t) = w \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} f(\tau_{\nu}) + w_1 f(-1) + w \sum_{\mu=2}^{n} f(\tau_{\mu}^*) + w_1 f(1) + R_n^K(f), \qquad n \ge 2,$$

that is, for all  $n \ge 2$  two of the zeros of  $\pi_{n+1}^*$  are  $\pm 1$ , and all the weights are equal except those corresponding to the nodes at  $\pm 1$ .

The existence of quadrature formulae of this kind is described in the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** The only positive and even measure  $d\sigma$  on (-1, 1) for which the Gauss-Kronrod quadrature formula has the form (3.5) is the Chebyshev measure of the first kind  $d\sigma_C(t) = (1 - t^2)^{-1/2} dt$ .

*Proof.* We proceed along the lines of the proof of Theorem 2.2. Assume that for the positive and even measure  $d\sigma$  on (-1, 1) the Gauss-Kronrod formula is of the type (3.5). First, (3.1) implies that  $m_1 = \mu_1/\mu_0 = 0$ . Then from (2.13) we find

(3.6) 
$$\beta_1 = m_2^2$$
,

where  $m_2^2 = \mu_2/\mu_0$ , and for n = 1, as in the proof of Theorem 2.2 (cf. (2.14)), we get

(3.7) 
$$\beta_2 = \frac{1}{2}m_2^2$$
.

If  $n \ge 2$ , since  $d\sigma$  is an even measure with symmetric support, the  $\tau_{\nu}$  and  $\tau_{\mu}^{*}$  in the second formula in (3.5) are symmetric with respect to the origin. Also, this formula is exact for f(t) = 1 and  $f(t) = t^2$ ; hence we obtain, after setting  $w_1 = cw$ ,

(3.8) 
$$(2n+2c-1)w = \mu_0,$$
$$w\left(\sum_{\nu=1}^n \tau_{\nu}^2 + \sum_{\mu=2}^n \tau_{\mu}^{*2} + 2c\right) = \mu_2,$$

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from which it follows that

(3.9) 
$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} \tau_{\nu}^{2} + \sum_{\mu=2}^{n} \tau_{\mu}^{*2} + 2 = (2n + 2c - 1)m_{2}^{2} + 2(1 - c).$$

Because of this,  $p_{2n+1}$  (cf. (2.9)) must have the form

(3.10) 
$$p_{2n+1}(t) = t^{2n+1} - \left[ \left( n + c - \frac{1}{2} \right) m_2^2 + 1 - c \right] t^{2n-1} + \cdots$$

Moreover, from (2.11) and (3.2) we have

(3.11) 
$$p_{2n+1}(t) = t^{2n+1} - \left(2\sum_{i=1}^{n-1}\beta_i + \beta_n + \beta_{n+1}\right)t^{2n-1} + \cdots$$

By equating the coefficients of  $t^{2n-1}$ , we derive the equation

(3.12) 
$$2\sum_{i=1}^{n-1}\beta_i + \beta_n + \beta_{n+1} = \left(n+c-\frac{1}{2}\right)m_2^2 + 1 - c, \qquad n \ge 2.$$

Applying (3.12) for two successive values of n, and then subtracting the two equations, we get

(3.13) 
$$\beta_n + \beta_{n+2} = m_2^2, \qquad n \ge 2,$$

which, by means of (3.7), gives

(3.14) 
$$\beta_{2j} = \frac{1}{2}m_2^2, \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

Now using (1.3) with i = 2, 3, (2.1), and orthogonality, we find, after a lengthy but straightforward computation, that  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  in (2.5), when  $d\sigma$  is an even measure, are given by

(3.15) 
$$c_2 = 0, \quad c_3 = (\beta_{n-1} - \beta_{n+2})\beta_{n+1}.$$

Then from (2.5), (2.6), (3.15), and (2.1) we get analytic expressions for  $\pi_3^*$  and  $\pi_4^*$ ,

(3.16) 
$$\begin{aligned} \pi_3^*(t) &= t^3 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3)t, \\ \pi_4^*(t) &= t^4 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_4)t^2 + \beta_1\beta_3 + \beta_1\beta_4 + \beta_2\beta_4 - \beta_4\beta_5. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\pi_3^*(\pm 1) = 0$  and  $\pi_4^*(\pm 1) = 0$ , we obtain the equations

(3.17) 
$$\begin{aligned} 1 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3) &= 0, \\ 1 - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_4) + \beta_1 \beta_3 + \beta_1 \beta_4 + \beta_2 \beta_4 - \beta_4 \beta_5 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

These, together with

$$\beta_1 = 2\beta_2 = 2\beta_4$$

(3.19) 
$$\beta_4(\beta_3 - \beta_5) = 0,$$

which, on account of  $\beta_4 > 0$ , gives

$$(3.20) \qquad \qquad \beta_3 = \beta_5.$$

Then (3.13) implies

(3.21)  $\beta_{2j+1} = \frac{1}{2}m_2^2, \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots,$ 

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so finally

(3.22) 
$$\beta_1 = m_2^2, \qquad \beta_i = \frac{1}{2}m_2^2, \qquad i = 2, 3, \ldots.$$

Substituting  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$  from (3.22) into the first equation in (3.17), we obtain

$$(3.23) mmes m_2^2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore,

(3.24) 
$$\beta_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \qquad \beta_i = \frac{1}{4}, \quad i = 2, 3, \dots,$$

and  $d\sigma$  is the Chebyshev measure of the first kind.  $\Box$ 

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