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Special session on Special functions, orthogonal polynomials and applications, organized by Manuel Alfaro and Antonio Durán,
http://eventos.rsme.es/4762/section/4405/congreso-bienal-de-la-real-sociedad-matematica-espanola.html
March 20-24, 2017
Elliptic Hypergeometric Functions in Combinatorics, Integrable Systems and Physics Erwin Schrödinger Institute, Vienna, Austria
http://www.esi.ac.at/activities/events/2017/elliptic-hypergeometric-functions

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Centro Internacional de Encuentros Matemáticos (CIEM), Castro Urdiales, Cantabria, Spain http://www.opcop2017.unican.es

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http://eibpoa2017.weebly.com

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International Conference on Special Functions: Theory, Computation, and Applications City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/rcms/icsf2017/index.htm

June 26-30, 2017
OPSF-S7 Summer School on Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions, University of Kent, Canterbury, UK https://blogs.kent.ac.uk/opsf-summerschool

July 3-7, 2017
$14^{\text {th }}$ International Symposium on Orthogonal Polynomials, Special Functions and Applications (OPSFA14), University of Kent, Canterbury, UK http://www.kent.ac.uk/smsas/personal/opsfa

July 9-15, 2017
The XVIIth International Conference on Symmetry Methods in Physics, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia http://theor.jinr.ru/~symphys/2017

July 10-15, 2017
Computational Methods and Function Theory, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin, Poland http://cmft2017.umcs.lublin.pl

July 10-19, 2017
Foundations of Computational Mathematics, Barcelona, Spain
http://www.ub.edu/focm2017/index.html

## Topic \#1 _ OP - SF Net 24.1 __ January 15, 2017

From: Walter Van Assche (Walter.VanAssche@wis.kuleuven.be) Subject: SIAG-OPSF election results

Jim Crowley, executive director of SIAM, has informed me of the results of the election for the offices of the SIAM Activity Group "Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions".

| Elected Name | Position | E-mail Address |
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| Walter Van Assche | Chair | walter@wis.kuleuven.be |
| Andrei Martínez-Finkelshtein | Vice-Chair | andrei@ual.es |
| Sarah Post | Program Director | spost@hawaii.edu |
| Yuan Xu | Secretary | yuan@uoregon.edu |

I thank the members of our activity group for the confidence they have in me and Yuan for continuing our offices, and I welcome Andrei and Sarah as new officers. I look forward to working with them the next three years. The term of the elected officers starts January 1, 2017 and runs until December 31, 2019.

The past three years I had the pleasure to have Jeff Geronimo as vice-chair and Diego Dominici as program director. Many thanks for the service you gave to SIAG-OPSF and of course feel free to contact the new officers if you like to share some of your experiences and ideas.

My thanks also goes to all the nominated candidates. Your willingness for making some of your time available to serve the activity group is highly appreciated. We hope that you will still be available to our activity group in the future.

## Topic \#2 _ OP - SF Net 24.1 __ January 15, 2017

From: Mahishanka Withanachchi (mahiwith@math.tamu.edu)
Subject: Report by a Texas A\&M PhD student on the ICMAA meeting in Roorkee, India

First of all, I would like to thank SIAM for providing a travel grant to attend the International Conference on Mathematical Analysis and Applications (ICMAA 2016) and I also would like to thank Linda Thiel, SIAM director of programs and services and Walter Van Assche for facilitating my grant as quickly as possible.

Since I have not been able to attend any conferences in India, I was curious about the ICMAA conference and what the Indian Institute of Technology of Roorkee (IIT Roorkee) had to offer me during this 5 day conference. It didn't take long to realize that I was the only graduate student attending the conference from the United States and it was my pleasure to talk with so many great mathematicians from all over the world and share my
 views with them. Now, without any hesitation, I can tell that this is one of the best conferences I attended so far in my career as a third year graduate student at Texas A\&M University.

I really enjoyed the keynote talk of Walter Van Assche about multiple orthogonal polynomials. It was fascinating how one could use this approach to show the irrationality of the zeta function at specific integer values. I also enjoyed the plenary talks about Bohr's inequality and about univalent analytic, harmonic mappings in the complex plane. I could easily write a few pages about the talks I attended and how they may impact my research in the future, but I would like to save space and say I enjoyed all the talks that came close to my research interests.

My heartfelt gratitude goes to Anbhu Swaminathan and the organizing committee for
having this wonderful conference. I was very pleased to experience great Indian food and accommodation for five days, not to forget the extra effort Dr. Swaminathan had gone through to arrange the transportation back and forth from New Delhi to Roorkee, which took about 6 hours of driving in chaotic traffic. I'm sure all the invited participants enjoyed their time in Roorkee, based on discussions I had during the conference.

Finally, I would like to thank SIAM again for supporting graduate students in every possible way. I wish SIAM and specially the activity group of Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions to keep continuing this great work and I look forward to return this generosity to our research community via research and teaching in the future.

## Topic \#3 _ OP - SF Net 24.1 __ January 15, 2017

From: Patrick D. F. Ion (pion@umich.edu)
Subject: A special function concordance initiative from the IMKT
Recently the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation provided initial funding to set up the International Mathematical Knowledge Trust (IMKT), an organization committed to working toward the dream of a Global Digital Mathematics Library (GDML) endorsed by the International Mathematical Union in 2006. The PIs are Ingrid Daubechies (Duke U, North Carolina, USA) and Stephen Watt (U Waterloo, Ontario, Canada); the IMKT office will be in Waterloo. The proposal resulted from the work of the IMU's GDML Working Group.

A first initiative from the IMKT is to start a Special Functions Concordance. The mathematical community, researchers and users, will find such a resource useful in ensuring clarity for a widely used class of mathematical results. In addition, a concordance will be of value in exploring the capture of the semantics of a mathematical subject area in ways that can make use of, and be used by, computers. In this case, we have a subject that is commonly thought well explored and mostly settled, though clearly the readership here knows there's a lot yet to be done.

Goals we would like a Special Functions Concordance to achieve are:

- to provide a reliable public online resource of special functions (SF) definitions based on recognized community consensus
- to ensure that assertions of SF properties, such as identities between expressions involving SF, are checked and tested on a large scale by allowing comparison between evaluations in different symbolic systems and also numerically
- to be an example of mathematical knowledge disseminated with openness, clear provenance and warranties in a computable manner with modern tools, and so to display a step toward a GDML using modern tools and publication methods

A simple reminder is perhaps in order that there are matters for which it is useful to have publicly agreed upon and well specified conventions for computer handling. We need only think of the differences in published papers and computational systems that lead to varying results, sometimes in ways not obvious to their users: different normalizations in definitions, different conventions in cut choices (e.g., for inverse trigonometric functions), different choices for fundamental parameters (e.g., for elliptic functions), etc.

A possible outline of the development stages of a Special Functions Concordance is:

1. Carry out an inventory of SF occurrences in the main resources in the world that offer definitions and representation of SF.
2. Develop a corpus of reference definitions; this should be kept by a neutral broker of technical information. Associated with the definitions will be properties and relationships widely asserted and accepted, as well as information as to which systems contain them, and what the differences are between systems when they occur.
3. Add to the definitions collected corresponding expressions in standard mathematical data formats, with the various common syntaxes represented.
4. Carry out bulk verifications of properties and identities claimed for the SF in the knowledge base developed.
5. Record, as they become available, representations of the SF in various formal frameworks and check the property assertions within the formal systems.

The work that has to be done over these stages is not all equally demanding. An early rough inventory probably does not require additional funding but only voluntary collaboration. Settling on definitions will require checking of draft lists and conference calls, at least. The same is true of adding computable expressions. Doing a systematic and comprehensive job of both these activities will require some funding in the medium term. Setting up a bulk testing and verification system, then processing material through it, is also a task that needs resources.

So far, there have been some initial contacts with significant stakeholders in the world of Special Functions (e.g., NIST DLMF, Wolfram Research, Maple, INRIA DDMF, NAG, Sage and some academics). There should soon be a mailing-list set up and further teleconferencing to involve more of the community in both planning and doing. A useful concordance can only be achieved with collaboration and understanding by many committed experts.

To express interest in this initiative or to volunteer to help, e-mail sf-concord@imkt.org, or enquiries to Patrick D. F. Ion (pion@umich.edu), Chair of IMU/Committee on Electronic Information and Communication, GDML Working Group.

## Topic \#4 __ OP - SF Net 24.1 __ January 15, 2017

From: Tom Koornwinder (T.H.Koornwinder@uva.nl)
Subject: Published obituary on Mizan Rahman

Tom Koornwinder would like to inform the readership of OP-SF Net that the following obituary by Mourad Ismail and Erik Koelink on Mizan Rahman was published.
"In memoriam: Mizan Rahman" by Mourad E.H. Ismail and Erik Koelink (including publication list), Journal of Approximation Theory, 201 (2016), 87-97;
http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jat.2015.09.001

From: Tom Koornwinder (T.H.Koornwinder@uva.nl)
Subject: Jackson's third $q$-Bessel function versus the Hahn-Exton $q$-Bessel function
It is well known [1] that names of functions in our field are often historically incorrect. If these names are already in use for a long time then it is impossible to still change them in the light of later historical findings. But if the historically incorrect name was introduced more recently then there is still some chance to change the name and give credit to the person who first introduced the function. Here I want to make a case for Jackson's third $q$-Bessel function rather than Hahn-Exton $q$-Bessel function.

In our (Swarttouw and me) 1992 paper [2] (please refer also to the slightly corrected version [3] on arXiv in 2012) we traced back the third $q$-Bessel function to Hahn (1953) in a special case and Exton (1978) in general. So we introduced the name Hahn-Exton $q$-Bessel function, and this name was also used in the subsequent literature. But later Mourad Ismail [4, p. 184] found these functions already in a paper by Jackson [5, p. 201] in 1904. This was reason for him to propose the name Jackson's third $q$-Bessel function, and this name has been used since then in quite some papers. But the name with Hahn-Exton also persists in papers until the present day. Please use the name with Jackson in future. Of course you may also mention the earlier name when you introduce the function in the paper.

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## Topic \#6 _ OP - SF Net 24.1 _ January 15, 2017

From: OP-SF Net Editors
Subject: Preprints in arXiv.org

The following preprints related to the fields of orthogonal polynomials and special functions were posted or cross-listed to one of the subcategories of arXiv.org during November and December 2016. This list has been separated into two categories.

## OP-SF Net Subscriber E-Prints

http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.00548
A uniform asymptotic expansion for the incomplete gamma functions revisited R. B. Paris
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01020
Relative Szegő asymptotics for Toeplitz determinants
Maurice Duits, Rostyslav Kozhan
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.02217
Wronskians of theta functions and series for $1 / \pi$
Alex Berkovich, Heng Huat Chan, Michael J. Schlosser
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.02560
Bôcher and abstract contractions of 2nd order quadratic algebras
M. A. Escobar Ruiz, E. G. Kalnins, W. Miller, Jr., E. Subag
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.03547
CMV biorthogonal Laurent polynomials. II: Christoffel formulas for Geronimus-Uvarov perturbations
Gerardo Ariznabarreta, Manuel Mañas, Alfredo Toledano
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.03831
Supersymmetric Casimir Energy and $S L(3, \mathbb{Z})$ Transformations
Frederic Brünner, Diego Regalado, Vyacheslav P. Spiridonov
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.04973
Macdonald symmetry at $q=1$ and a new class of inv-preserving bijections on words Maria Gillespie, Ryan Kaliszewski, Jennifer Morse
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.05256
Some elementary observations on Narayana polynomials and related topics II: $q$-Narayana polynomials
Johann Cigler
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.05285
Connection formulas for the Ablowitz-Segur solutions of the inhomogeneous Painlevé II equation
Dan Dai, Weiying Hu
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.05696
Laplace-type integral representations of the generalized Bessel function and of the Dunkl
kernel of type $B_{2}$
Bechir Amri, Nizar Demni
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.05775
Explicit (Polynomial!) Expressions for the Expectation, Variance and Higher Moments of the Size of a $(2 n+1,2 n+3)$-core partition with Distinct Parts
Anthony Zaleski, Doron Zeilberger
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.06724
Log-concavity and Turán-type inequalities for the generalized hypergeometric function S. I. Kalmykov, D. B. Karp
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.08028
A fast and spectrally convergent algorithm for fractional integral and differential equations with half-integer order terms
Nick Hale, Sheehan Olver
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.08064
Two families of orthogonal polynomials on the unit circle from basic hypergeometric functions
A. Sri Ranga
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.08806
Hypergeometric heritage of W.N. Bailey. With an appendix: Bailey's letters to F. Dyson Wadim Zudilin
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.08932
Spherical functions approach to sums of random Hermitian matrices
Arno B. J. Kuijlaars, Pablo Román
http://arxiv.org/abs/1611.09250
The $q$-Onsager algebra and multivariable $q$-special functions
Pascal Baseilhac, Luc Vinet, Alexei Zhedanov
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Between the stochastic six vertex model and Hall-Littlewood processes
Alexei Borodin, Alexey Bufetov, Michael Wheeler
http://arxiv.org/abs/1612.00051
Images of Maass-Poincaré series in the lower half-plane
Nickolas Andersen, Kathrin Bringmann, Larry Rolen
http://arxiv.org/abs/1612.01149
Nikishin systems on star-like sets: ratio asymptotics of the associated multiple orthogonal polynomials
Abey López-García, Guillermo López Lagomasino
http://arxiv.org/abs/1612.01486
A linear system of differential equations related to vector-valued Jack polynomials on the torus
Charles F. Dunkl
http://arxiv.org/abs/1612.01916
Large gap asymptotics at the hard edge for product random matrices and Muttalib-Borodin ensembles
Tom Claeys, Manuela Girotti, Dries Stivigny
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Extended relativistic Toda lattice and L-orthogonal polynomials on the real line and on the unit circle
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David Gómez-Ullate, Yves Grandati, Robert Milson
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Erik Koelink
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Generalized Sobolev orthogonal polynomials, matrix moment problems and integrable systems
Gerardo Ariznabarreta, Manuel Mañas, Piergiulio Tempesta
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$q$-Analogues of two product formulas of hypergeometric functions by Bailey Michael J. Schlosser
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Invariant properties for Wronskian type determinants of classical and classical discrete orthogonal polynomials under an involution of sets of positive integers
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Roy Oste, Joris Van der Jeugt
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Marco Bertola, Alexander Tovbis
http://arxiv.org/abs/1612.09196
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Wolter Groenevelt

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The growth of polynomials orthogonal on the unit circle with respect to a weight $w$ that satisfies $w, w^{-1} \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})$
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" $\sin ^{2} \varphi$ is odious to me, even though Laplace made use of it; should it be feared that $\sin ^{2} \varphi$ might become ambiguous, which would perhaps never occur, or at most very rarely when speaking of $\sin \left(\varphi^{2}\right)$, well then, let us write $(\sin \varphi)^{2}$, but not $\sin ^{2} \varphi$, which by analogy should signify $\sin (\sin \varphi)$.

Carl Friedrich Gauss (1777-1855),
in a letter to astronomer Heinrich Christian Schumacher, September 23, 1839 (much thanks to Juan José Moreno Balcázar, Universidad de Almería, Spain, for pointing out the correct date of the correspondence).

