

# Two-variable orthogonal polynomials of big $q$ -Jacobi type

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## Abstract

A four-parameter family of orthogonal polynomials in two variables is defined by

$$P_{n,k}(x, y; a, b, c, d; q) := P_{n-k}(y; a, bcq^{2k+1}, dq^k; q) y^k (dq/y; q)_k P_k(x/y; c, b, d/y; q) \\ (n \in \mathbb{N}; k = 0, 1, \dots, n),$$

where  $q \in (0, 1)$ ,  $0 < aq, bq, cq < 1$ ,  $d < 0$ , and  $P_m(t; \alpha, \beta, \gamma; q)$  are univariate big  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials,

$$P_m(t; \alpha, \beta, \gamma; q) := {}_3\phi_2 \left( \begin{matrix} q^{-m}, \alpha\beta q^{m+1}, t \\ \alpha q, \gamma q \end{matrix} \middle| q; q \right) \quad (m \geq 0)$$

(see, e.g., [1, Section 7.3]). These polynomials form an extension of Dunkl's bivariate (little)  $q$ -Jacobi polynomials [2]. We prove orthogonality property of the new polynomials, and show that they satisfy a three-term relation in a vector-matrix notation, as well as a second-order partial  $q$ -difference equation.

We give some basic properties of the new polynomials. First, we show that they form an orthogonal system with respect to the linear functional  $\mathbf{u}$  defined by

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, p \rangle := \int_{dq}^{aq} \int_{dq}^{cqy} \frac{(dq/y, x/(cy), x/d, y/a, y/d; q)_\infty}{y(d/(cy), cqy/d, x/y, bx/d, y; q)_\infty} p(x, y) d_q x d_q y,$$

where  $p$  is any two-variable polynomial. Second, we proved that the following three-term relations hold:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x \mathbb{P}_n &= A_{n,1} \mathbb{P}_{n+1} + B_{n,1} \mathbb{P}_n + C_{n,1} \mathbb{P}_{n-1}, \\ y \mathbb{P}_n &= A_{n,2} \mathbb{P}_{n+1} + B_{n,2} \mathbb{P}_n + C_{n,2} \mathbb{P}_{n-1} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (n \geq 0),$$

where we used the notation  $\mathbb{P}_n := [P_{n,0}, P_{n,1}, \dots, P_{n,n}]^T$ , and  $A_{n,i}$ ,  $B_{n,i}$  and  $C_{n,i}$  are tridiagonal ( $i = 1$ ) or diagonal ( $i = 2$ ) matrices of appropriate dimensions. Last, we showed that for any  $n \geq 0$ , the polynomial vector  $\mathbb{P}_n$  satisfies the linear second-order partial  $q$ -difference equation in the form

$$l_{11} D_{q,x} D_{q^{-1},x} \mathbb{P}_n + l_{22} D_{q,y} D_{q^{-1},y} \mathbb{P}_n + l_{12}^- D_{q^{-1},x} D_{q^{-1},y} \mathbb{P}_n \\ + l_{12}^+ D_{q,x} D_{q,y} \mathbb{P}_n + m_1 D_{q,x} \mathbb{P}_n + m_2 D_{q,y} \mathbb{P}_n = \lambda_n \mathbb{P}_n,$$

with  $\lambda_n := [n]_q q^{1-n} (abcq^{n+2} - 1)/(q - 1)$ , and the polynomial coefficients  $l_{11}(x)$ ,  $l_{22}(y)$ ,  $l_{12}^\pm(x, y)$ ,  $m_1(x)$ ,  $m_2(y)$  being given explicitly. Here  $D_{q^\pm 1, x}$  and  $D_{q^\pm 1, y}$  are partial  $q$ -derivative operators, and we let

$$D_{q^\pm 1, z} \mathbb{P}_n := [D_{q^\pm 1, z} P_{n,0}, D_{q^\pm 1, z} P_{n,1}, \dots, D_{q^\pm 1, z} P_{n,n}]^T \quad (z = x, y).$$

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