

Developments with b -additive and q -multiplicative finite free convolutions

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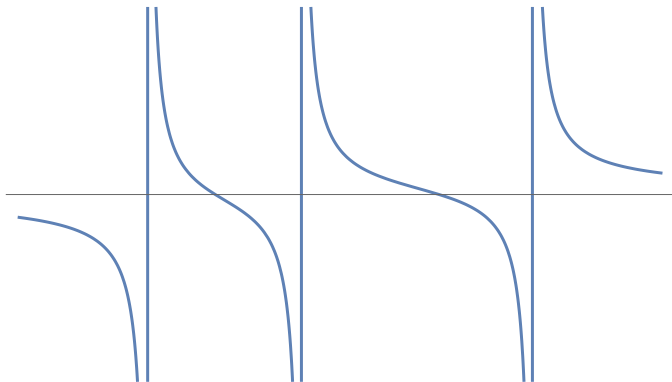
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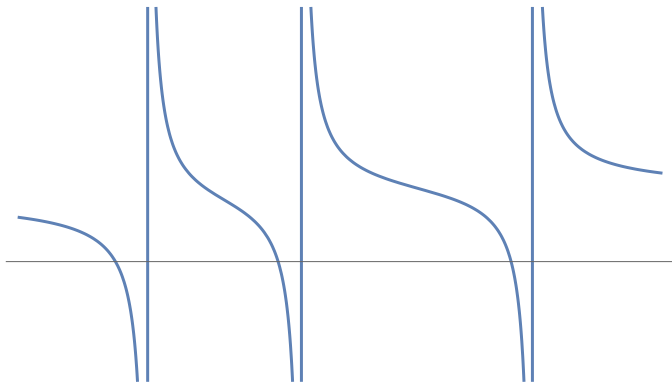
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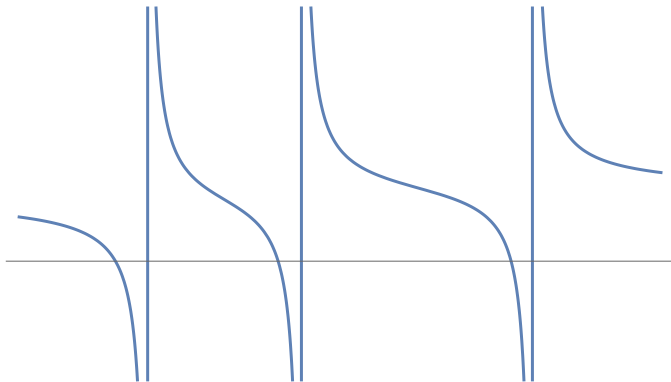
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Example

If $p(x) = x^2 + 2x + 2$ then $p(D) = D^2 + 2D + 2I$. p is not real rooted, but $p(D)$ preserves all real rooted quadratic polynomials.

The Classical Convolutions

Definition

Given $p = \sum a_k x^k$, $r = \sum b_k x^k$, we define the (Walsh) additive convolution and (Grace-Szego) multiplicative convolution

$$(p \boxplus^n r)(x) = \sum_k D^k p(0) D^{n-k} r(x)$$

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Theorem (Random Matrix Interpretation)

Given positive definite matrices A, B such that $\chi_A, \chi_B = p, r$, we have

$$\mathbb{E}_{O_n} \chi(A + PBP^T) = p \boxplus^n r$$

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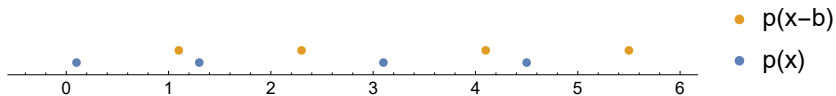
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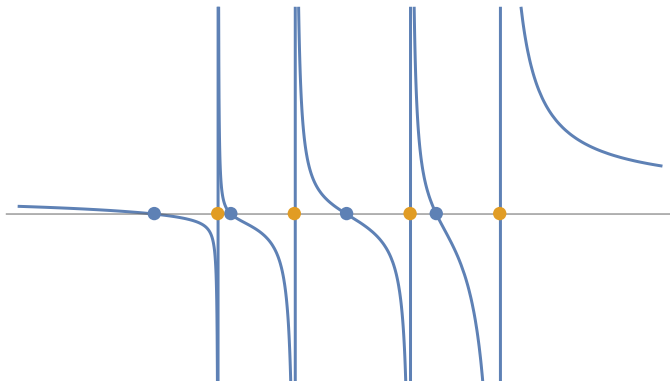
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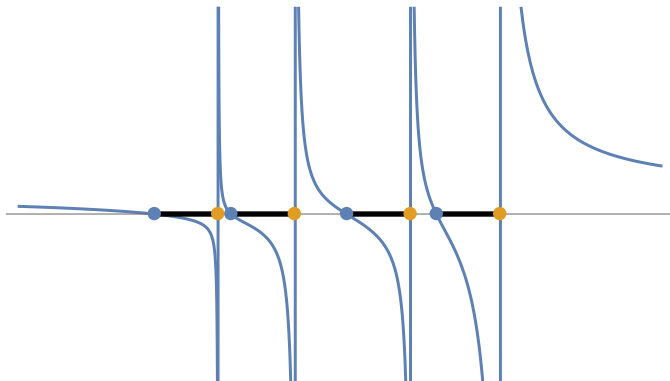
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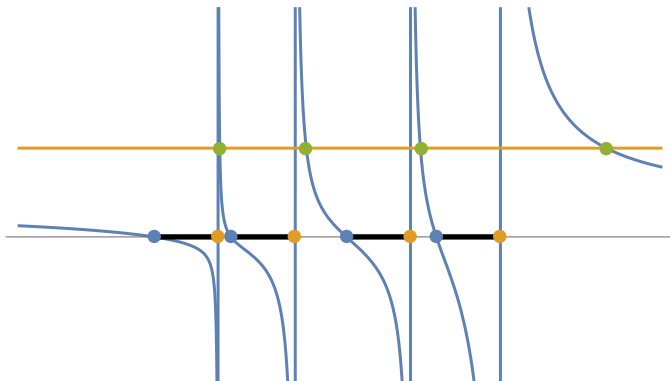
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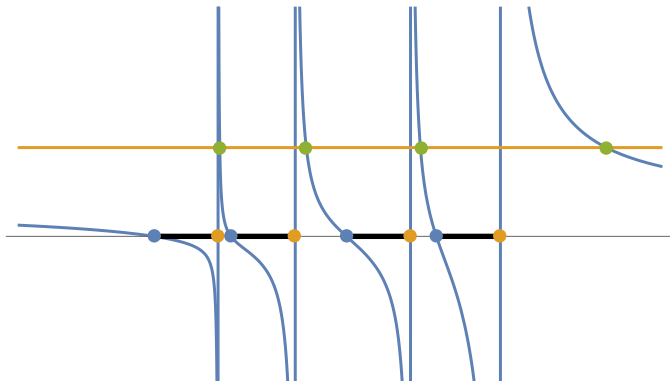
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Shifting graph: $\frac{p(x)}{p(x-b)} = \alpha \iff \frac{p(x) - \alpha p(x-b)}{p(x-b)} = 0$



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Lemma

$p(x) \mapsto p(x) - \alpha p(x - b)$ preserves b -mesh when $\alpha > 0$

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Theorem (Branden, Krasikov, Shapiro)

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Lemma (Q-Lagrange Interpolation)

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Theorem (Marcus, Spielman, Srivastava)

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Remark

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