

Methods and applications of orthogonal matrix polynomials satisfying differential equations

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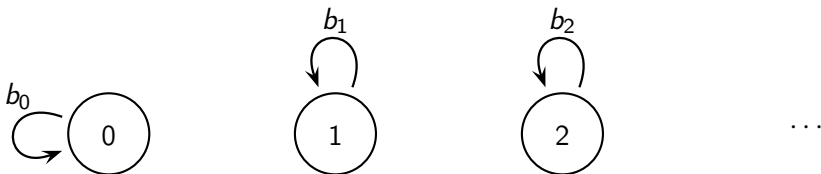


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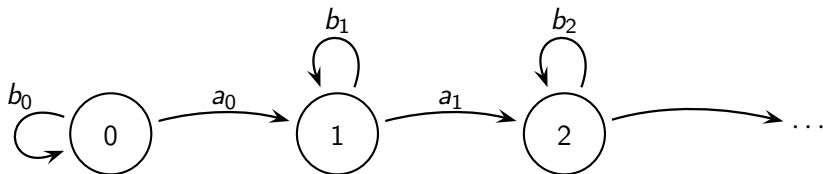
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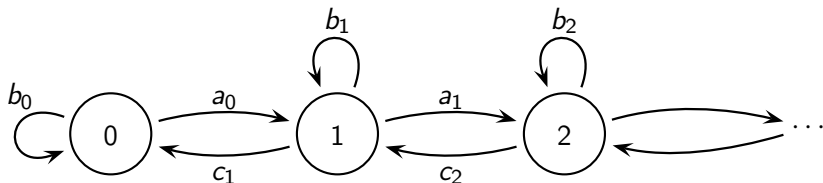
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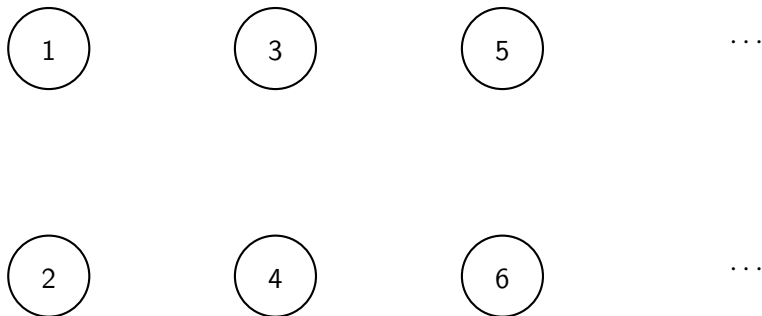
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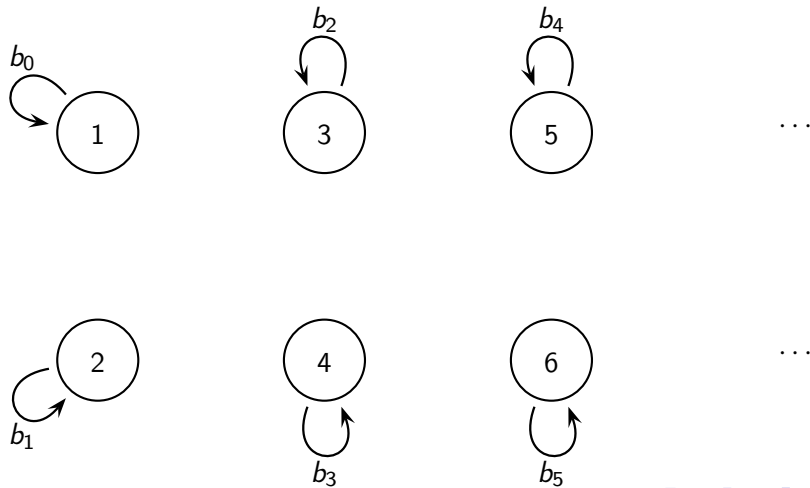
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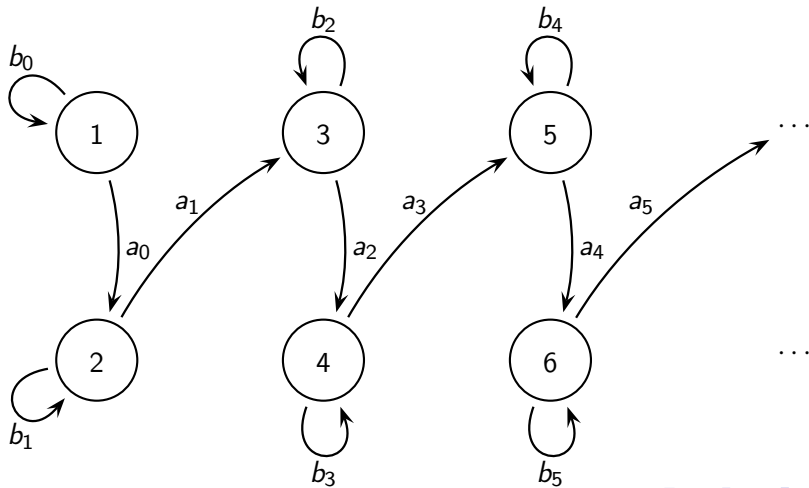
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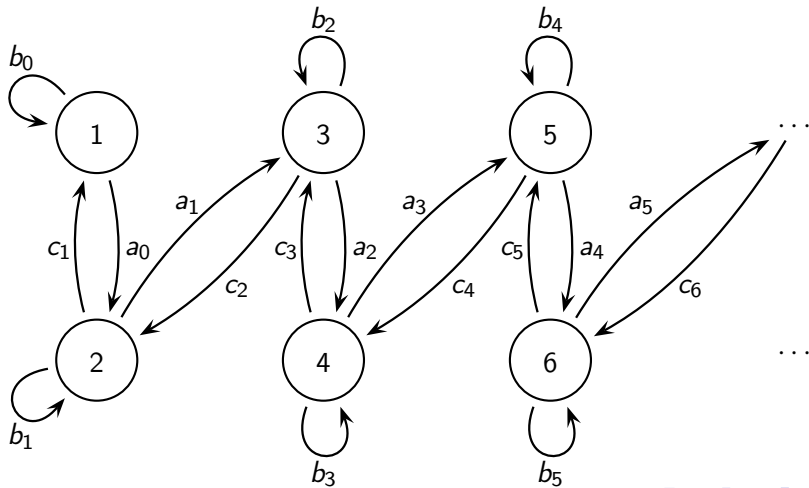
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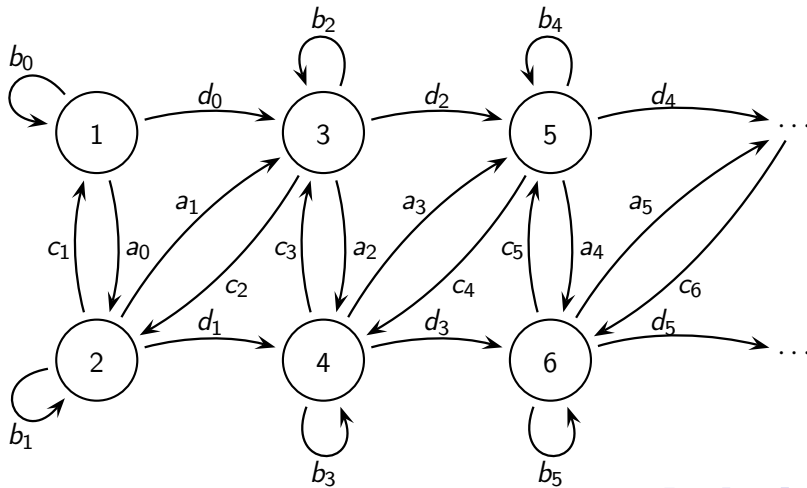
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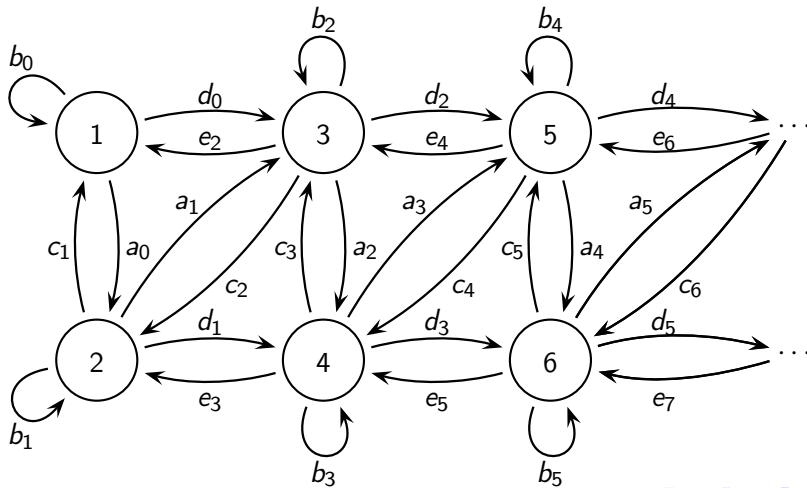
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Grünbaum-Mdl (2008)

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Pacharoni-Tirao (2006)

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Theorem (Durán-Grünbaum, 2006)

Consider the following instance of the Dirac's equation

$$T'(t) = \left(\tilde{A} + \frac{\tilde{B}}{t} \right) T(t)$$

$$\tilde{A} = \sqrt{1 - 1/(4a)^2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/2 & a - 1/2 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then $W(t) = t^{\alpha+1} e^{-t} T(t) e^{-D_{\tilde{A}} t} H e^{-D_{\tilde{A}}^* t} T^*(t)$, where $H = e^{D_{\tilde{A}}} T^{-1}(1) (T^{-1})^*(1) e^{D_{\tilde{A}}^*}$ allows for the following second order differential operator

$$D = \partial^2 t I + \partial^1 (-t I + 2E + (\alpha + 1)I) + \partial^0 (-E + E_0)$$

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