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## **Calendar of Events:**

#### 2008

March 23-29, 2008 Disordered systems: Random Schrodinger Operators and Random Matrices http://www.mfo.de/cgi-bin/tagung\_espe?type=21&tnr=0813 Oberwolfach, Germany

May 15-17, 2008: Twelfth International Conference Devoted to the Memory of Academician Mykhailo Kravchuk (Krawtchouk) (1892-1942) Kyiv, Ukraine. Information: Ukraine, 03056, Kyiv-56, Peremohy Ave. 37, National Technical University of Ukraine (KPI), Phys.-Math. Departments, Corpus 7, Room 437, M. Kravchuk Conference, N. Virchenko; tel. (380) 44 454-97-40; e-mail: kravchukconf.@yandex.ru http://www.ams.org/mathcal/info/2008\_may15-17\_kyiv.html May 15-16, 2008: 3èmes Journées Approximation, Université de Lille 1, France http://math.univ-lille1.fr/~bbecker/ja2008/

May 19-20, 2008: Workshop on Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions on the occasion of the 50th birthday of Walter Van Assche, Leuven, Belgium 15.2 #1

http://wis.kuleuven.be/analyse/arno/walter50/WOPSF.html

June 3-9, 2008: Constructive Theory of Functions Campos do Jordão, Brazil, June 3-9, 2008 http://www.ibilce.unesp.br/CTF-08 #6

14.6,

June 16-26 2008: Foundations of Computational Mathematics, City University of Hong Kong at Hong Kong, China

WORKSHOP A6

Special functions and orthogonal polynomials ORGANISERS: Peter Clarkson, Guillermo Lopez, Mourad Ismail & Ed Saff

WORKSHOP B1

Asymptotic analysis ORGANISERS: Arno Kuijlaars & Roderick Wong

http://www.damtp.cam.ac.uk/user/na/FoCM/FoCM08/

June 22 - 28, 2008: 8th International Conference on Symmetries and Integrability of Difference Equations (SIDE 8), Ste-Adele, Quebec, Canada 14.6, #7 http://www.crm.umontreal.ca/SIDE8/index\_e.shtml

June 22-28, 2008: Combinatorics 2008 - Costermano, Verona, Italy. http://combinatorics.ing.unibs.it/

June 23 – 27, 2008 : Conference on Differential and Difference Equations and Applications 2008 (CDDEA 2008), Strečno (close to Žilina), Slovak Republic http://fpv.uniza.sk/cddea2008/page.php?id=19&action=show

June 30 - July 4, 2008: The European Consortium For Mathematics In Industry (ECMI 2008) Including minisymposium MS10: Asymptotic Analysis (Organisers: Diego Dominici and Richard Paris), University College London, England http://www.ecmi2008.org/

July 21-25, 2008: Workshop "Elliptic integrable systems, isomonodromy problems, and hypergeometric functions", Hausdorff Center for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany 15.1 #2 http://www.hausdorff-center.uni-bonn.de/elliptic-integrable-systems

July 21-25, 2008: Fourteenth International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications (ICDEA2008), Bahçeşehir University, İstanbul, Turkey http://icdea.bahcesehir.edu.tr/about.htm

August 12-18, 2008: Fifth International Conference of Applied Mathematics andComputing, Plovdiv, Bulgaria14.6, #9http://math.uctm.edu/conference2008/

August 13-19, 2008: XXVII International Colloquium on Group Theoretical Methods in Physics (Group-27), Yerevan, Armenia 14.6, #8 http://theor.jinr.ru/~group27/

September 8-12, 2008: International Workshop on Orthogonal Polynomials and Approximation Theory, in honor to the 60th Birthday of Guillermo López Lagomasino, Madrid. Spain 14.6, #10 http://www.uc3m.es/iwopa08/

September 15-19, 2008: SIMAI Congress (Italian Society for Applied and Industrial Mathematics), in cooperation with SIAM, Rome, Italy 15.2, #3 http://www.simai.eu

October 4-5, 2008: AMS Fall Western Section Meeting Vancouver, Canada, including Special Session on *Special Functions and Orthogonal Polynomials*, organized by Mizanur Rahman and Diego Dominici, http://www.ams.org/amsmtgs/2139 program ss2.html#title

October 11-13, 2008: International Conference on Applied Mathematics and Approximation Theory honoring P.L. Butzer on the occasion of his 80th birthday, Memphis, Tennessee, USA 15.1 #6 http://www.msci.memphis.edu/AMAT2008/ December 15-16, 2008: Rolling Waves in Leuven - a workshop on the occasion of Adhemar Bultheel's 60th Birthday, Leuven, Belgium 15.2, #2 http://www.cs.kuleuven.be/~raf/ade2008/

Topic #1------OP-SF NET 15.2------March 15, 2008From: Tom Koornwinder thk@science.uva.nlSubject: Leuven Workshop

Workshop on Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions on the occasion of the 50th birthday of Walter Van Assche, Leuven, Belgium, 19-20 May 2008. http://wis.kuleuven.be/analyse/arno/walter50/WOPSF.html

A two-day workshop will be held in Leuven, Belgium, to present recent advances in the fields of Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions. The workshop is dedicated to our friend and colleague Walter Van Assche, who has played a leading role in Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions during the last 25 years, and will continue to do so in the next 25 years to come.

The following speakers have agreed to give an invited lecture (50 minutes):

- Alexander Aptekarev (Moscow, Russia)
- Bernhard Beckermann (Lille, France)
- Jeffrey Geronimo (Georgia Tech, Atlanta, U.S.A.)
- Erik Koelink (Nijmegen, Netherlands)
- Francisco Marcellan (Madrid, Spain)
- Andrei Martinez-Finkelshtein (Almeria, Spain)

The following speakers are scheduled to present a short communication (25 minutes):

- Jorge Arvesu (Madrid, Spain)
- Amilcar Branquinho (Coimbra, Portugal)
- Yang Chen (London, U.K.)
- Peter Clarkson (Canterbury, U.K.)
- Manuel Dominguez de la Iglesia (Sevilla, Spain)
- Wolfgang Gawronski (Trier, Germany)
- Tom Koornwinder (Amsterdam, Netherlands)
- o Guillermo Lopez Lagomasino (Madrid, Spain)
- o Jesus Sanchez Dehesa (Granada, Spain)

Web page: http://wis.kuleuven.be/analyse/arno/walter50/WOPSF.html

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Related Event: A meeting 3<sup>èmes</sup> Journées Approximation will be held in nearby Lille, France, on May 15-16. See http://math.univ-lille1.fr/%7Ebbecker/ja2008/

Topic #2 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: Walter Van Assche Walter.VanAssche@wis.kuleuven.be Subject: Rolling Waves in Leuven

We are planning a workshop on Monday and Tuesday, December 15-16, 2008, at the Department of Computer Science, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium on the occasion of Adhemar Bultheel's 60th birthday. The following people have already expressed their intention to attend: Bernd Beckermann, Claude Brezinski, Annie Cuyt, Pablo Gonzalez-Vera, Maarten Jansen, Paul Levrie, Carlos Díaz Mendoza, Olav Njastad, Ramon Orive, Geert Uytterhoeven, Ward Van Aerschot, Joris Van Deun, Brigitte Verdonk.

The topic of the workshop are ROLLing WAVES R - Rational approximation O - Orthogonal functions L- Linear algebra L- Linear systems ing WAVE - WAVElets S - Signal processing People interested in attending the workshop and/or the banquet can register using the website http://www.cs.kuleuven.be/~raf/ade2008/

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Topic #3 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: Renato Spigler spigler@mat.uniroma3.it Subject: SIMAI 2008

## SIMAI2008 an international Conference in Rome (Italy) organized in cooperation with SIAM

The Italian Society for Applied and Industrial Mathematics (SIMAI) will held its 9th Congress in Rome, Italy <u>from September 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup></u>, 2008. This international event takes place every two years. This time it is being organized in cooperation with SIAM.

The hosting environment will be the beautiful downtown of Rome.

The main (invited) speakers will be Antonio Ambrosetti (SISSA, Trieste), Douglas N. Arnold (University of Minnesota, USA), Nicola Bellomo (Politecnico di Torino), Giovanni Ciccotti (Università di Roma ''La Sapienza''), Nicholas J. Higham (University of Manchester, UK), and Alfio Quarteroni (Politecnico di Milano & EPFL Lausanne).

Besides, there will be a number of minisymposia (usually several dozens), round tables, prizes to young mathematicians, and interactions with industrial representatives.

More information (in progress) can be found at the SIMAI site, http://www.simai.eu

Note that SIAM associates are entitled to the reduced conference fee as the members of SIMAI.

# Topic #4 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: Tom Koornwinder thk@science.uva.nl Subject: Death of Samuel Karlin

Samuel Karlin died on December 18, 2007 at the age of 83. See http://www.nytimes.com/2008/02/21/us/21karlin.html?\_r=1&ref=us&oref=slogin and

http://news-service.stanford.edu/news/2008/january9/karlin-010908.html Karlin contributed to orthogonal polynomials and special functions, often in joint papers with James McGregor. The topics included total positivity, birth and death problems, Hahn polynomials, special multivariable orthogonal polynomials, and determinants of orthogonal polynomials. Two of the longer papers by Karlin and McGregor appeared in the volume "Theory and application of special functions", R.A. Askey (ed.), Academic Press, 1975. See also a lengthy joint paper with Szegö on Turán determinants in J. Analyse Math. 8 (1960/1961), 1-157 (also in Vol. 3 of Szegö's collected papers).

# Topic #5 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: Tom Koornwinder thk@science.uva.nl Subject: Atle Selberg (1917-2007) and the Selberg Integral

News of the death of Atle Selberg on August 6, 2007, see http://www.ias.edu/newsroom/announcements/view/1186683853.html

and

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wpdyn/content/article/2007/08/18/AR200708180064.html serves as a reminder of the very substantial review "The importance of the Selberg integral" by Peter J. Forrester and S. Ole Warnaar in http://arxiv.org/abs/0710.3981

# Topic #6 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: AMAT 2008

International Conference on Applied Mathematics and Approximation Theory honoring P.L. Butzer on the occasion of his 80th birthday, Memphis, Tennessee, USA, October 11-13, 2008. http://www.msci.memphis.edu/AMAT2008/ This conference intends to bring together researchers from ALL areas of Applied Mathematics and Approximation Theory, such as ODEs, PDEs, Difference Equations, Applied Analysis, Computational Analysis, Signal Theory, and including traditional subfields of Approximation Theory as well as underfocused areas such as Positive Operators, Statistical Approximation, and Fuzzy Approximation. Other topics will also be included in this conference, such as Fractional Analysis, Semigroups, Inequalities, Special Functions, and Summability.

Previous conferences which had a similar approach to such diverse inclusiveness were held at the University of Memphis in March 1991, UC-Santa Barbara in May 1993, again at Memphis in March 1997 (AMS special session), and the University of Central Florida (at Orlando) in November 2002 (another AMS special session). Each of these conferences were followed up in proceedings publications by top publishers and in articles printed in major international journals.

For more information, see: http://www.msci.memphis.edu/AMAT2008/

Topic #7OP-SF NET 15.2March 15, 2008From: OP-SF NET EditorsSubject: Barry Simon Festschrift

From the web site http://www.ams.org./bookstore

Spectral Theory and Mathematical Physics: A Festschrift in Honor of Barry Simon's 60th Birthday, Edited by: **Fritz Gesztesy, Managing Editor**, *University of Missouri, Columbia, MO*, **Percy Deift**, *New York University, Courant Institute, NY*, **Cherie Galvez**, *California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA*, **Peter Perry**, *University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY*, and **Wilhelm Schlag**, *University of Chicago, IL* **Proceedings of Symposia in Pure Mathematics**, Volume 76, 2007; Part 1, xxvi+496 pp. ISBN: 978-0-8218-4248-5; Part 2, pp. i--x and 497--948. ISBN: 978-0-8218-4249-2

This Festschrift had its origins in a conference called SimonFest held at Caltech, March 27-31, 2006, to honor Barry Simon's 60th birthday. It is not a proceedings volume in the usual sense since the emphasis of the majority of the contributions is on reviews of the state of the art of certain fields, with particular focus on recent developments and open problems. The bulk of the articles in this Festschrift are of this survey form, and a few review Simon's contributions to a particular area. Part 1 contains surveys in the areas of Quantum Field Theory, Statistical Mechanics, Nonrelativistic Two-Body and \$N\$-Body Quantum Systems, Resonances, Quantum Mechanics with Electric and Magnetic Fields, and the Semiclassical Limit. Part 2 contains surveys in the areas of Random and Ergodic Schrödinger Operators, Singular Continuous Spectrum, Orthogonal Polynomials, and Inverse Spectral Theory. In several cases, this collection of surveys portrays both the history of a subject and its current state of the art. Exhaustive lists of references enhance the presentation offered in these surveys.

A substantial part of the contributions to this Festschrift are survey articles on the state of the art of certain areas with special emphasis on open problems. This will benefit graduate students as well as researchers who want to get a quick, yet comprehensive introduction into an area covered in this volume.

The section on Orthogonal Polynomials and Inverse Spectral Theory contains the articles:

Percy Deift: Riemann-Hilbert Methods in the Theory of Orthogonal Polynomials, 715-740;

Fritz Gesztesy, Inverse Spectral Theory as Influenced by Barry Simon, 741-820;

Leonid Golinskii and Vilmos Totik, Orthogonal Polynomials: From Jacobi to Simon, 821-874;

Sergey Khrushchev, Orthogonal Polynomials: The First Minutes, 875-905;

Rowan Killip, Spectral Theory via Sum Rules, 907-930.

## Topic #8 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

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 January and February 2008.

http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0065 Krall--type Orthogonal Polynomials in several variables Authors: Lidia Fernandez, Teresa E. Perez, Miguel A. Pinar, Yuan Xu Comments: 10 pages Subjects: Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0069

\$q\$-Analogue of the Dunkl transform on the real line Authors: Néji Bettaibi, Rym H. bettaieb Comments: 20 pages. to appear in Tamsui Oxford Journal Sciences Subjects: Quantum Algebra (math.QA)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.4137

Continuous biorthogonality of the elliptic hypergeometric function Authors: V.P. Spiridonov Comments: 22 pages Subjects: Quantum Algebra (math.QA); Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.0722

Relative Asymptotic of Multiple Orthogonal Polynomials for Nikishin Systems Authors: Abey López García, Guillermo López Lagomasino Comments: 30 pages Subjects: Complex Variables (math.CV)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.2886

q-Abel polynomials Authors: Johann Cigler Comments: 14 pages Subjects: Combinatorics (math.CO)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.0271

Generic exponential sums associated to Laurent polynomials in one variable Authors: Chunlei Liu Subjects: Number Theory (math.NT); Algebraic Geometry (math.AG)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.1454

Macdonald polynomials at \$t=q^k\$ Authors: Jean-Gabriel Luque (IGM, IGM-LabInfo) Comments: 19pp Subjects: Combinatorics (math.CO)

http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.1487

Sunyer-i-Balaguer's Almost Elliptic Functions and Yosida's Normal Functions Authors: S. Ju. Favorov Comments: 26 pages, Bibliography 21 item Subjects: Complex Variables (math.CV); Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.2475

A Note on Generating Functions for Hausdorff Moment Sequences Authors: Oliver Roth, Luis Salinas, Stephan Ruscheweyh Subjects: Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA); Complex Variables (math.CV)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.1440

Determination of some generalised Euler sums involving the digamma function Authors: Donal F. Connon Comments: 11 pages Subjects: Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA); Number Theory (math.NT)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.3832

Searching for Strange Hypergeometric Identities By Sheer Brute Force Authors: Moa Apagodu, Doron Zeilberger Comments: 6 pages Subjects: Combinatorics (math.CO)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.3497

Mapping properties of fundamental operators in harmonic analysis related to Bessel operators Authors: Jorge J. Betancor, Eleonor Harboure, Adam Nowak, Beatriz Viviani Comments: 31 pages with 2 figures Subjects: Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0802.1764

Riemann Hypothesis may be proved by induction Authors: R. M. Abrarov, S. M. Abrarov Comments: 5 pages Subjects: General Mathematics (math.GM)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0633

From Bombieri's Mean Value Theorem to the Riemann Hypothesis Authors: Fu-Gao Song Comments: 7 pages, 0 figure Subjects: General Mathematics (math.GM)

http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.1858

Lectures on random matrix models. The Riemann-Hilbert approach Authors: Pavel M. Bleher Subjects: Mathematical Physics (math-ph)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.4072

The Riemann Hypothesis and the Zeros of the General L-Functions Authors: Fayang Qiu Comments: 4 pages, no figures Subjects: General Mathematics (math.GM)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.4939

Bispectral commutative difference operators for some multivariable Askey-Wilson polynomials Authors: Plamen Iliev Subjects: Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0329

Euler Numbers and polynomials associated with zeta functions Authors: Taekyun Kim Comments: 12 pages Subjects: Number Theory (math.NT)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0480

Analytic Continuation of q-Euler numbers and polynomials Authors: T. Kim Comments: 5 pages Subjects: Number Theory (math.NT)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.2443

Staircase Macdonald polynomials and the \$q\$-Discriminant Authors: Adrien Boussicault (IGM), Jean-Gabriel Luque (IGM) Comments: 14 pp Subjects: Combinatorics (math.CO)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.3964

Cluster multiplication in stable tubes via generalized Chebyshev polynomials Authors: G. Dupont Comments: 31 pages, 7 figures Subjects: Representation Theory (math.RT); Rings and Algebras (math.RA)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0891

Elliptic integral evaluations of Bessel moments Authors: David H. Bailey, Jonathan M. Borwein, David Broadhurst, M. L. Glasser Comments: 51 pages, 1 Postscript figure, uses amsmath.sty, added references Subjects: High Energy Physics - Theory (hep-th); High Energy Physics -Phenomenology (hep-ph); Mathematical Physics (math-ph)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.2996

Using integrals of squares of certain real-valued special functions to prove that the Pólya  $Xi^*(z)$  function, the functions K\_{iz}(a), a > 0, and some other entire functions have only real zeros Authors: George Gasper Comments: 8 pages Subjects: Complex Variables (math.CV); Classical Analysis and ODEs (math.CA)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.3704

\$q\$-Chaos Authors: Marius Junge, Hun Hee Lee Comments: 22 pages Subjects: Operator Algebras (math.OA); Functional Analysis (math.FA)

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0801.0978

On the multiple q-Genocchi and Euler numbers Authors: Taekyun Kim Comments: 11 pages Subjects: Number Theory (math.NT)

# Topic #9 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: About the Activity Group

The SIAM Activity Group on Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions consists of a broad set of mathematicians, both pure and applied. The Group also includes engineers and scientists, students as well as experts. We have around 140 members scattered about in more than 20 countries. Whatever your specialty might be, we welcome your participation in this classical, and yet modern, topic. Our WWW home page is:

## http://math.nist.gov/opsf/

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For several years the Activity Group sponsored a printed Newsletter, most recently edited by Rafael Yanez. Back issues are accessible at: http://www.mathematik.uni-kassel.de/~koepf/siam.html

Given the widespread availability of email and the Internet, the need for the printed Newsletter has decreased. Discussions are underway concerning whether an annual printed Newsletter or Annual Report should be instituted.

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Finally, the Activity Group operates an email discussion group, called OP-SF Talk. To subscribe, send the email message

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to listproc@nist.gov. To contribute an item to the discussion, send email to opsftalk@nist.gov. The archive of all messages is accessible at:

http://math.nist.gov/opsftalk/archive

# Topic #10 ----- OP-SF NET 15.2 ----- March 15, 2008

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Submitting contributions to OP-SF NET

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