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Asymptotic zero distribution of random orthogonal polynomials

We consider random polynomials of the form $H_n(z) = \sum_{j=0}^n \xi_j q_j(z)$ where the $\{\xi_j\}$ are i.i.d. non-degenerate complex random variables, and the $\{q_j(z)\}$ are orthogonal polynomials (deg $q_j = j$) with respect to an appropriate compactly supported measure in the plane. The problem is to understand (probabilistically) the behavior of the zeros of H_n as $n \to \infty$.

Study of the Kac Ensemble, (when $q_j(z) = z^j$) goes back to the 1950's.

I will present recent results on the almost sure convergence and the convergence in probability of the zeros. This is work of Ibraguimov and Zaporozhets, D.Dauvergne and myself.