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Abstract

Partial sum polynomials are defined from a generating function. The generating function and the partial sum polynomials of even degree can be represented as a certain kind of linear combination of squares. Of particular interest are the coefficients b_k in such sums. Examples of partial sum polynomials include Fibonacci polynomials of the 2nd kind, defined by $P_n(z) = z^2 P_{n-2}(z) + z P_{n-1}(z) + 1$, with $P_0(z) = 1$ and $P_1(z) = 1 + z$.