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**$\beta$ -reciprocal polynomials.**

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Summary: A new class of polynomials  $p_n(x)$  known as  $\beta$ -reciprocal polynomials is defined. Given a parameter  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  that is not a root of  $-1$ , we show that the only  $\beta$ -reciprocal polynomials are  $p_n(x) \equiv x^n$ . When  $\beta$  is a root of  $-1$ , other polynomials are possible. For example, the Hermite polynomials are  $i$ -reciprocal,  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .

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