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Rate of Convergence of Hermite-Fejér Interpolation on the Unit Circle

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The paper deals with the order of convergence of the Laurent polynomials of Hermite-Fejér interpolation on the unit circle with nodal system, the n roots of a complex number with modulus one. The supremum norm of the error of interpolation is obtained for analytic functions as well as the corresponding asymptotic constants.

1. Introduction

The paper is devoted to study the Hermite-Fejér interpolation problem on the unit circle \mathbb{T} . This topic has attracted the interest of many researchers in recent years, and it has been the subject of several studies. In [1] Fejér's classical result is extended to the unit circle. It is well known that it ensures uniform convergence of Hermite-Fejér interpolants to continuous functions on $[-1, 1]$ taking as nodal system the Chebyshev points (see [2–4]). Specifically, in [1] the authors consider the nodal system of the n roots of a complex number with modulus one. Then it is proved that the Laurent polynomials of Hermite-Fejér interpolation for a given continuous function f on the unit circle uniformly converge to f .

In [5] second Fejér's theorem concerning the Hermite interpolation with nonvanishing derivatives is extended, to the unit circle. New conditions for the derivatives are obtained in order that the Hermite interpolants uniformly converge to continuous functions on the unit circle.

An algorithm for efficient computing of the coefficients of the Laurent polynomials of Hermite-Fejér and Hermite interpolation with equally spaced nodes on the unit circle was given in [6]. These results were extended to the bounded interval, and the corresponding expressions can be evaluated using the techniques given in [7]. Some results concerning

the convergence were obtained in [8]. The convergence of the Laurent polynomials of Hermite-Fejér interpolation has been studied in [8] for analytic functions defined on open sets containing the unit disk. The results describe the behavior outside and inside the unit disk and are extended to the case of Hermite interpolation, that is, with nonvanishing derivatives.

In the case of bounded interval, the supremum norm of the error of interpolation was studied in several papers (see [9]). In particular a lower bound for the order of convergence of Hermite-Fejér interpolation was obtained in [10] for general nodal systems. Now, in the present paper, we study the same problem for the error of interpolation on the unit circle by taking into account the results obtained in [8].

The organization of the paper is as follows. Section 2 is dedicated to obtain the results for the order of convergence for Laurent polynomials, in other words to the polynomial case. Section 3 contains the extension of the preceding results for analytic functions. The order of convergence and the asymptotic constants are deduced in our main result for analytic functions on an open disk containing the unit circle. As a consequence, the result is generalized to analytic functions outside an open disk with radius less than one, and it is also generalized, in Section 4, to analytic functions on an open annulus containing the unit circle. Finally, the last section is devoted to some numerical experiments to reveal the contributions of our results.

2. The Polynomial Case

Let $\{\alpha_j\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ be the n roots of a complex number λ with modulus 1. We recall that the Hermite interpolation problem on the unit circle \mathbb{T} with nodal system $\{\alpha_j\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ consists in obtaining a Laurent polynomial $H_{-(n-1),n}(z)$ of $\Lambda_{-(n-1),n}[z] = \text{span}\{z^k : -(n-1) \leq k \leq n\}$ that satisfies the following interpolation conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{-(n-1),n}(\alpha_j) &= u_j, & H'_{-(n-1),n}(\alpha_j) &= v_j, \\ j &= 0, \dots, n-1, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $\{u_j\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ and $\{v_j\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ are sets of fixed complex numbers.

The particular case when $v_j = 0$ for all j is called the Hermite-Fejér interpolation problem, and the corresponding interpolation polynomial is denoted by $HF_{-(n-1),n}(z)$. When $u_j = f(\alpha_j)$, $(0 \leq j \leq n-1)$, for a given function $f(z)$ defined on \mathbb{T} , we denote the Hermite-Fejér interpolation polynomial by $HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z)$. To estimate the interpolation error between $f(z)$ and $HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z)$ we consider their difference that we denote by

$$\Delta_n(f(z), z) = f(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z). \quad (2)$$

It is well known that $HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z)$ can be computed in terms of the fundamental polynomial of Hermite interpolation, $A_j(z)$, as follows:

$$HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} f(\alpha_j) A_j(z), \quad (3)$$

where $A_j(z)$ is given by $A_j(z) = \alpha_j^{n+1}(z^n - \lambda)^2/z^{n-1}n^2 \lambda^2(z - \alpha_j)^2$ and it holds that

$$|A_j(z)| = \frac{1}{n^2} \frac{|(z^n - \lambda)^2|}{|(z - \alpha_j)^2|} \leq 1 \quad \text{on } \mathbb{T}. \quad (4)$$

Representation (3) can be seen in [1], and (4) can be seen in [5].

We recall that for a continuous function $f(z)$ defined on \mathbb{T} , $HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z)$ converges to $f(z)$ uniformly on \mathbb{T} , as it can be seen in [1].

These results can be improved in case of polynomial functions. Indeed we can obtain nice explicit expressions for $HF_{-(n-1),n}(f(z), z)$ and $\Delta_n(f(z), z)$ for the polynomial case; that is, in this section we are going to use an algebraic polynomial or a Laurent polynomial in the role of $f(z)$.

Theorem 1. *Let k be a fixed positive integer number. For $n > k$ the following conditions hold that*

- (i) $HF_{-(n-1),n}(z^k, z) = (1 - k/n)z^k + (k\lambda/n)z^{k-n}$;
- (ii) $\Delta_n(z^k, z) = (k/n)z^k(1 - \lambda/z^n)$;
- (iii) $HF_{-(n-1),n}(z^k, z)$ converges to z^k uniformly on compact subsets K of $0 < |z| \geq 1$ with order of convergence $O(n^{-1})$;

- (iv) $HF_{-(n-1),n}(z^{-k}, z) = (1 - k/n)z^{-k} + (k/n\lambda)z^{-k+n}$;
- (v) $\Delta_n(z^{-k}, z) = (-k/n)z^{-k}(z^n/\lambda - 1)$;
- (vi) $HF_{-(n-1),n}(z^{-k}, z)$ converges to z^{-k} uniformly on compact subsets K of $0 < |z| \leq 1$ with order of convergence $O(n^{-1})$.

Proof. In order to obtain (i), take into account that when we evaluate the proposed Laurent polynomial $(1 - k/n)z^k + (k\lambda/n)z^{k-n}$ at α_j we have

$$\left(\frac{n-k}{n}\right)\alpha_j^k + \frac{k\lambda}{n}\alpha_j^{k-n} = \left(\frac{n-k}{n}\right)\alpha_j^k + \frac{k\lambda}{n\lambda}\alpha_j^k = \alpha_j^k, \quad (5)$$

that is, the interpolation conditions for the function are fulfilled. In the same way, when we evaluate the corresponding derivative at α_j we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{n-k}{n}\right)k\alpha_j^{k-1} + \frac{k\lambda}{n}(k-n)\alpha_j^{k-n-1} \\ = \left(\frac{n-k}{n}\right)k\alpha_j^{k-1} + \frac{k\lambda}{n\lambda}(k-n)\alpha_j^{k-1} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Thus the existence and uniqueness of the Hermite interpolation polynomial ensures (i).

- (ii) It is an immediate consequence of (i) and the definition of $\Delta_n(z^k, z)$.
- (iii) Take into account that

$$|n\Delta_n(z^k, z)| = k \left| z^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right) \right|, \quad (7)$$

where the last expression is uniformly bounded if $z \in K$ and n is large enough.

(iv), (v), and (vi) can be proved proceeding in the same way. \square

Remark 2. The resulting expressions for $\Delta_n(z^k, z)$ and $\Delta_n(z^{-k}, z)$, given in the preceding theorem, can be rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_n(z^k, z) &= \frac{1}{n} z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{z^n} \right) (z^k)', \\ \Delta_n(z^{-k}, z) &= \frac{1}{n} z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{\lambda} \right) (z^{-k}'). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Corollary 3. *The following hold.*

- (i) If $p_1(z)$ is a Laurent polynomial with nonnegative powers of z , that is, $p_1(z)$ is an algebraic polynomial, then

- (a) $\Delta_n(p_1(z), z) = \frac{1}{n} z((z^n - \lambda)/z^n)p_1'(z)$.
- (b) If K is a compact subset of $0 < |z| < 1$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} = \max_{z \in K} |zp_1'(z)|, \quad (9)$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{\infty, K}$ is the supremum norm on K .

(c) If K is a compact subset of $|z| = 1$ with no isolated points, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} = 2 \max_{z \in K} |p'_1(z)|. \quad (10)$$

(ii) If $p_2(z)$ is a Laurent polynomial with only negative powers of z , then

- (a) $\Delta_n(p_2(z), z) = 1/n \cdot z((z^n - \lambda)/\lambda) p'_2(z)$.
 (b) If K is a compact subset of $|z| < 1$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p_2(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} = \max_{z \in K} |z p'_2(z)|. \quad (11)$$

(c) If K is a compact subset of $|z| = 1$ with no isolated points, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p_2(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} = 2 \max_{z \in K} |p'_2(z)|. \quad (12)$$

Proof. (i) (a) It is a straightforward consequence of the previous remark.

(i) (b) First of all take into account that for each $z \in K$ it holds that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)| = |z p'_1(z)|. \quad (13)$$

Therefore, if $\max_{z \in K} |z p'_1(z)|$ is attained at $z_0 \in K$, then for each $z \in K$ the following relation holds:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)| = |z p'_1(z)| \leq |z_0 p'_1(z_0)|. \quad (14)$$

On the other hand, since for z_0 we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z_0)| = |z_0 p'_1(z_0)|$, then we obtain the result.

(i) (c) If z_0 is the point where $\max_{z \in K} |p'_1(z)|$ is attained, then for each $z \in K \subset \mathbb{T}$ it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} |n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)| &= |(z^n - \lambda) p'_1(z)| \\ &\leq 2 \max_{z \in K} |p'_1(z)| = 2 |p'_1(z_0)|, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} \leq 2 \max_{z \in K} |p'_1(z)|. \quad (16)$$

Due to the continuity of $p'_1(z)$, for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a neighborhood of z_0 , N_{z_0} , such that for $z \in N_{z_0}$ it is $|p'_1(z)| > |p'_1(z_0)| - \epsilon$. On the other hand, for n large enough any arc of \mathbb{T} contains points z with $z^n = -\lambda$, and therefore for some $z \in N_{z_0}$, with $z^n = -\lambda$, we have

$$|n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)| \geq 2 (|p'_1(z_0)| - \epsilon). \quad (17)$$

Then we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p_1(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} = 2 \max_{z \in K} |p'_1(z)|. \quad (18)$$

To obtain (ii) (a), (b), and (c) proceed in the same way. \square

Theorem 4. Let $p(z) = p_1(z) + p_2(z)$ be a Laurent polynomial with positive and negative powers of z , $p_1(z)$ and $p_2(z)$, respectively. It holds that

- (i) $\Delta_n(p(z), z) = 1/n \cdot z(z^n - \lambda)(p'_1(z)/z^n + p'_2(z)/\lambda)$;
 (ii) if K is a compact subset of \mathbb{T} with no isolated points, then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} \\ = \max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))|. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Proof. It is clear that $\max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))|$ exists, it is positive, and it is attained at a point (z_0, β_0) . We denote this maximum by m . Besides, since $(z^n/\lambda - 1)(p'_1(z) + (z^n/\lambda)p'_2(z))$ can be represented as $(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))$ with $\beta \in \mathbb{T}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(p(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} \\ \leq \max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))|. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Due to the continuity of $(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))$, for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a neighborhood of (z_0, β_0) , $N_{(z_0, \beta_0)}$, such that for $(z, \beta) \in N_{(z_0, \beta_0)}$ it is

$$|(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))| > m - \epsilon, \quad (21)$$

which implies, in particular, $m - |(\beta_0 - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta_0 p'_2(z))| < \epsilon$. Moreover, taking into account that for n large enough any arc $A \subset \mathbb{T}$, with $z_0 \in A$, contains points z with $z^n/\lambda = \beta_0$, then we have

$$\|n\Delta_n(p(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} \geq m - \epsilon. \quad (22)$$

\square

Remark 5. The previous result can be rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta_n(p(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} \\ \asymp \frac{\max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(p'_1(z) + \beta p'_2(z))|}{n}, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

where \asymp means that the sequences are equivalent.

3. Rate of Convergence for Analytic Functions on a Disk

In this section we extend the previous results to analytic functions. Indeed we study the supremum norm of $\Delta_n(F(z), z)$, $\|\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, C_\rho}$ for analytic functions F on an open disk containing \mathbb{T} along a circumference C_ρ of radius $\rho \geq 1$.

Theorem 6. Let $F(z)$ be a nonconstant analytic function defined on an open disk $D(0, R)$, with $R > 1$, and let

$HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)$ be its Hermite-Fejér interpolation polynomial corresponding to the n roots of λ . If C_ρ is the circumference with radius ρ , ($1 \leq \rho < R$), and $\| \cdot \|_{\infty, C_\rho}$ is the supremum norm on C_ρ , then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$ satisfying

$$\frac{C_1}{n} \leq \|F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, C_\rho} \leq \frac{C_2}{n}. \quad (24)$$

Proof. We exclude the constant case because we have $F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z) = 0$ in this situation. So let $F(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ be a nonconstant analytic function. Taking into account that the evaluation of z^{k+ln} at α_j is $\alpha_j^{k+ln} = \alpha_j^k \alpha_j^{ln} = \alpha_j^k \lambda^l$, we have $HF_{-(n-1),n}(z^{k+ln}, z) = \lambda^l HF_{-(n-1),n}(z^k, z)$. Then by using Theorem 1 we can write

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z) &= \underbrace{\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k z^k}_{(1)} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{k}{n} a_k z^k \right)}_{(2)} \\ &+ \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{-k\lambda}{n} a_k z^{-(n-k)} \right)}_{(3)} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a_{k+ln} \lambda^l \right) \frac{k-n}{n} z^k}_{(4)} \\ &+ \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a_{k+ln} \lambda^l \right) \frac{-k}{n} z^{-(n-k)}}_{(5)}. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Let z be a point belonging to $C_\rho = \{z : |z| = \rho\}$ with $\rho \geq 1$ and R_1 , such that $\rho < R_1 < R$. Then there exists a positive constant K_1 , such that for n large enough we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(1)| &= \left| \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k z^k \right| \leq \frac{(\rho/R_1)^n}{1 - \rho/R_1} \leq K_1 \left(\frac{1}{R_1} \right)^n, \\ |(4)| &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a_{k+ln} \lambda^l \right) \frac{k-n}{n} z^k \right| \leq \frac{(1/R_1)^n}{1 - 1/R_1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\rho}{R_1} \right)^k \\ &= \frac{R_1}{R_1 - 1} \frac{1}{R_1^n} \frac{1 - (\rho/R_1)^n}{1 - \rho/R_1} \leq K_1 \left(\frac{1}{R_1} \right)^n, \\ |(5)| &\leq K_1 \left(\frac{1}{R_1} \right)^n. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Now we consider (2) and (3) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} |(2) + (3)| &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{k}{n} a_k z^k + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{-k\lambda}{n} a_k z^{-(n-k)} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{z}{n} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k a_k z^{k-1} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left| \frac{z}{n} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right) \left(F'(z) - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k a_k z^{k-1} \right) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\rho}{n} \left| 1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right| \left(\|F'\|_{\infty, C_\rho} + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k \frac{1}{R_1^k} \rho^{k-1} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{2\rho}{n} \left(\|F'\|_{\infty, C_\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k \left(\frac{\rho}{R_1} \right)^k \right) \\ &= \frac{2\rho}{n} \left(\|F'\|_{\infty, C_\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{n(\rho/R_1)^n}{1 - \rho/R_1} + \left(\frac{\rho}{R_1} \right)^{n+1} \frac{1}{(1 - \rho/R_1)^2} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

So we obtain that there exists a positive constant C_2 , such that for n large enough

$$\|F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, C_\rho} \leq \frac{C_2}{n}. \quad (28)$$

In order to obtain the lower bound we use the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} &|(2) + (3)| - |(1)| - |(4)| - |(5)| \\ &\leq |F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)|. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

For an arbitrary $z \in C_\rho$ and n large enough we have

$$-3K_1 \left(\frac{1}{R_1} \right)^n \leq -|(1)| - |(4)| - |(5)|. \quad (30)$$

On the other hand, as the zeros of $F'(z)$ cannot have accumulation points on $D(0, R)$, then for $\epsilon > 0$ there exist an arc $A(C_\rho) \subset C_\rho$ and a positive constant $m_1 = \|F'\|_{\infty, C_\rho}$, such that

$$0 < m_1 - \epsilon \leq |F'(z)| \quad \forall z \in A(C_\rho). \quad (31)$$

Next we study two different cases $\rho > 1$ and $\rho = 1$.

(i) If $\rho > 1$ it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\rho}{n} \left| 1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right| \left(m_1 - \epsilon - \left| \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k a_k z^{k-1} \right| \right) \\ &\leq |(2) + (3)| \quad \text{for } z \in A(C_\rho) \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

and, as before, for n large enough there exist positive constants D and E , such that for $z \in C_\rho$ we have

$$\left| \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k a_k z^{k-1} \right| \leq \frac{\rho^n}{R_1^n} n D \leq \frac{E}{n}. \quad (33)$$

Thus for n large enough and $z \in A(C_\rho)$ we have

$$0 < \frac{\rho}{n} \left| 1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right| \left(m_1 - \frac{E}{n} \right) < |(2) + (3)|. \quad (34)$$

Then there exists $M > 0$ satisfying

$$\frac{M}{n} < \frac{\rho}{n} \left| 1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right| \left(m_1 - \frac{E}{n} \right) < |(2) + (3)|. \quad (35)$$

(ii) If $\rho = 1$, we consider an arc $\mathcal{A}(C_\rho) \subset A(C_\rho)$ with $|z^n - \lambda| > m_2 > 0$ for $z \in \mathcal{A}(C_\rho)$ and a positive constant $m_2 > 0$. Then

$$\left| \frac{z}{n} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{z^n} \right) \right| = \frac{1}{n} \left| \frac{z^n - \lambda}{z^n} \right| = \frac{1}{n} |z^n - \lambda| > \frac{m_2}{n}. \quad (36)$$

Proceeding in the same way as in the previous case we have $(m_2/n)(m_1 - E/n) < |(2) + (3)|$. Thus there exists $M > 0$, such that

$$\frac{M}{n} < |(2) + (3)|. \quad (37)$$

Taking into account (35) and (37) we have for n large enough, $\rho \geq 1$ and $z \in \mathcal{A}(C_\rho)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{M}{n} - 3K_1 \left(\frac{1}{R_1} \right)^n \\ \leq |F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)| \\ \leq \|F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, C_\rho}. \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Then it is straightforward that there exists C_1 , such that

$$\frac{C_1}{n} < \|F(z) - HF_{-(n-1),n}(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, C_\rho} \quad (39)$$

for n large enough. \square

Remark 7. Notice that

- (i) the constants C_1 and C_2 are closely related to the supremum norm $\|F'\|_{\infty, C_\rho}$;
- (ii) clearly we can obtain an analogous result for nonconstant analytic function defined on $|z| > r$ with $r < 1$.

4. Rate of Convergence for Analytic Functions on an Annulus

Next we deal with the case of analytic functions on an open annulus containing \mathbb{T} . We obtain explicit expressions for $n\Delta_n(F(z), z)$ and the asymptotic behavior of its supremum norm; that is, we obtain the order of convergence and the asymptotic constant.

Throughout this section we consider a function F with Laurent expansion at $z = 0$ given by $F(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ which converges on an annulus containing \mathbb{T} . Then there exist $C > 0$ and r , $0 < r < 1$, such that $|a_{-k}|, |a_k| < Cr^k$ for every $k \geq 0$.

For each $n \geq 2$ we denote by $P_{n-2}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} a_k z^k$ and by $\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z) = \sum_{k=n-1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$. In the same way we

denote by $Q_{n-2}(z) = \sum_{k=-n-2}^{-1} a_k z^k$ and by $\tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-(n-1)} a_k z^k$ (if $n = 2$, $Q_{n-2}(z) = 0$).

Furthermore we denote by $P(z) = P_{n-2}(z) + \tilde{P}_{n-2}(z)$ and by $Q(z) = Q_{n-2}(z) + \tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z)$.

Then we have the following decompositions of $F(z)$ for each $n \geq 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= P(z) + Q(z) \\ &= P_{n-2}(z) + \tilde{P}_{n-2}(z) \\ &\quad + Q_{n-2}(z) + \tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z). \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

By using this notation for the decompositions of $F(z)$ we obtain the following results.

Lemma 8. *In our conditions it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned} n\Delta_n(\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z) + \tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z), z) &= o(r_1^n) \\ \text{for each } r_1 \text{ with } r < r_1 < 1, z \in \mathbb{T}. \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

Proof. If $|z| = 1$ we have $|\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z)| \leq C(r^{n-1}/(1-r))$ and $|\tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z)| \leq C(r^{n-1}/(1-r))$. On the other hand, by using (3) and (4) we have for $z \in \mathbb{T}$

$$\begin{aligned} |HF_{-(n-1),n}(\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z), z)| &= \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \tilde{P}_{n-2}(\alpha_j) A_j(z) \right| \leq nC \frac{r^{n-1}}{1-r}, \\ |HF_{-(n-1),n}(\tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z), z)| &= \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \tilde{Q}_{n-2}(\alpha_j) A_j(z) \right| \leq nC \frac{r^{n-1}}{1-r}. \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

Then we can write

$$\begin{aligned} |\Delta_n(\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z) + \tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z), z)| \\ \leq |\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z)| + |\tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z)| \\ + |HF_{-(n-1),n}(\tilde{P}_{n-2}(z), z)| \\ + |HF_{-(n-1),n}(\tilde{Q}_{n-2}(z), z)| \\ \leq C \left(\frac{r^{n-1}}{1-r} + \frac{r^{n-1}}{1-r} + n \frac{r^{n-1}}{1-r} + n \frac{r^{n-1}}{1-r} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

and the result is proved. \square

Lemma 9. *In our conditions the following holds.*

- (i) For $z \in \mathbb{T}$ and r_1 , such that $r < r_1 < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} n\Delta_n(P_{n-2}(z), z) &= z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{z^n} \right) P'_{n-2}(z) \\ &= z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{z^n} \right) P'(z) + o(r_1^n). \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

TABLE 1

p	n	Max detected in K_1 of $ n\Delta_n(F(z), z) / P'(1) - Q'(1) $	Max detected in K_2 of $ n\Delta_n(F(z), z) / P'(1) - Q'(1) $
4	16	0.713835	1.68672
6	64	0.939856	1.9788
8	256	0.997746	1.99866
10	1024	0.995921	1.99992
12	4096	0.998066	1.99999
14	16384	1.00795	2.

TABLE 2

p	n	Max detected in K_1 of $ n\Delta_n(F(z), z) / P'(1) - Q'(1) $	Max detected in K_2 of $ n\Delta_n(F(z), z) / P'(1) - Q'(1) $
4	16	1.40634	1.90275
6	64	1.53754	1.99369
8	256	1.56734	1.99959
10	1024	1.57482	1.99957
12	4096	1.57653	2.
14	16384	1.57144	2.

(ii) For $z \in \mathbb{T}$ and r_1 , such that $r < r_1 < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} n\Delta_n(Q_{n-2}(z), z) &= z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{\lambda} \right) Q'_{n-2}(z) \\ &= z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{\lambda} \right) Q'_{(z)} + o(r_1^n). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

Proof. (i) Take into account (i) (a) in Corollary 3 in order to prove the first equality. To obtain the second equality take into account that for $|z| = 1$, $P'_{n-2}P'(z) = o(r_1)^n$, and $z((z^n - \lambda)/z^n)$ is bounded.

(ii) Proceed in the same way. \square

Theorem 10. In our conditions the following holds.

(i) For $z \in \mathbb{T}$ and r_1 such that $r < r_1 < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} n\Delta_n(F(z), z) &= z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{z^n} \right) P'(z) \\ &+ z \left(\frac{z^n - \lambda}{\lambda} \right) Q'(z) + o(r_1^n). \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

(ii) If K is a compact subset of \mathbb{T} with no isolated points, then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, K} \\ = \max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(P'(z) + \beta Q'(z))|. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Proof. (i) It is a straightforward from previous lemmas.

To prove (ii) use the same technique as in Theorem 4. \square

5. Numerical Tests

In this section we present some numerical experiments concerning the main results in Sections 3 and 4.

Theorem 10 ensures that under appropriate assumptions,

$$\frac{\|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, K}}{\max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(P'(z) + \beta Q'(z))|} \rightarrow 1. \quad (48)$$

Moreover from the proofs of Lemmas 8 and 9 we can predict where this limit can be observed. In fact near z_0 , when (z_0, β_0) is the point where the maximum of $\max_{z \in K, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(P'(z) + \beta Q'(z))|$ is attained, we would observe the convergence.

A second interesting point is that when the maximum $\max_{z \in \mathbb{T}, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(P'(z) + \beta Q'(z))|$ is attained at a unique point, then for a compact set K with $z_0 \notin K$:

$$\frac{\|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, K}}{\max_{z \in \mathbb{T}, \beta \in \mathbb{T}} |(\beta - 1)(P'(z) + \beta Q'(z))|} \rightarrow l < 1. \quad (49)$$

We have developed some numerical examples to see these phenomena about Theorem 10.

Example 11. Let $F(z)$ be $F(z) = P(z) + Q(z) = e^z + 1/(z - a)$ with $a \in (0, 1)$. It is easy to see that the corresponding maximum with $K = \mathbb{T}$ is attained at $(z_0, \beta_0) = (1, -1)$. Furthermore the maximum value is $2|P'(1) - Q'(1)|$, and it is unique. For $n = 2^p$, $p = 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14$ we obtain the corresponding Hermite-Fejér approximants (based on the n roots of 1) the corresponding $\Delta_n(F(z), z)$, and we evaluate the quotient

$$\frac{|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)|}{|P'(1) - Q'(1)|} \quad (50)$$

in 5000 random points of the arc $K_1 = [e^{(\pi/6)i}, e^{(\pi/2)i}] \subset \mathbb{T}$. As we have said the maximum of the quotients must converge to a value less than 2. As a second part of the example we evaluate the quotients in 1000 random points of the arc $K_2 = [e^{0i}, e^{(2\pi/n)i}] \subset \mathbb{T}$. This second sequence must converge to 2; notice that the great number of evaluations gives an estimate of the supremum norm.

TABLE 3

p	n	Max detected in K_1 of $ n\Delta_n(F(z), z) / 1.005F'(1.005) $	Max detected in K_2 of $ n\Delta_n(F(z), z) / 1.005F'(1.005) $
4	16	1.88649	1.35356
6	64	1.67554	1.72464
8	256	1.25126	1.27855
10	1024	0.9862	1.0064
12	4096	0.980863	1.
14	16384	0.980855	1.

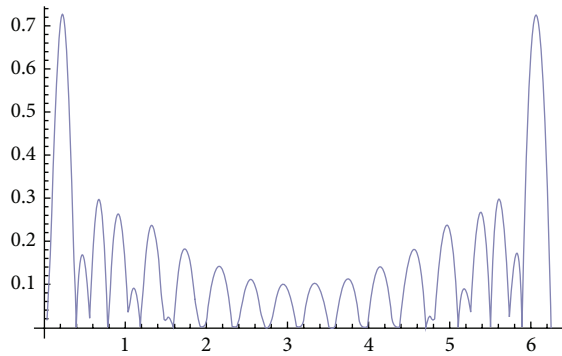


FIGURE 1

Table 1 shows the results observed for $a = 0.5$.

Figure 1 shows the graphic of $|\Delta_n(F(z), e^{ix})|$ for $a = .5$, $n = 16$, and $x \in [0, 2\pi]$. In this graphic we can see given in the following we can see that the maximum of the error is attained near to $x_1 = 0$ or near $x_1 = 2\pi$ and its corresponding points in \mathbb{T} are near to $z = 1$.

Table 2 shows the results observed for $a = 0.01$.

Next we are going to apply Theorem 6. This result and the details of its proof claim that for an analytic function $F(z)$, a compact arc K of radius $\rho > 1$ and under the corresponding assumptions,

$$\frac{\|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, K}}{\max_{z \in K} |zF'(z)|} \rightarrow 1 \quad (51)$$

and the convergence can be increasing or decreasing; really it depends on the sign of $|1 - 1/z^n| - 1$.

We must point out that outside the unit disc the algorithms for Hermite-Fejér interpolation can be unstable, so we deal with a compact set near \mathbb{T} .

Example 12. Let $F(z)$ be $F(z) = e^z$, and let K , K_1 , and K_2 be the arcs $[1.005, 1.005e^{i(\pi/4)}]$, $[1.005e^{i(\pi/16)}, 1.005e^{i(\pi/4)}]$, and $[1.005, 1.005e^{i(\pi/32)}]$, respectively. It is easy to see that $\max_{z \in K} |zF'(z)|$ is attained at 1.005. So we can observe $\|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, K_2} / \max_{z \in K} |zF'(z)|$ tending to 1 and $\|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)\|_{\infty, K_1} / \max_{z \in K} |zF'(z)|$ tending to a number $l < 1$. For $n = 2^p$, $p = 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14$ we obtain the corresponding Hermite-Fejér approximants, and the

corresponding $\Delta_n(F(z), z)$, and we obtain 5000 evaluations for the quotient

$$\frac{|n\Delta_n(F(z), z)|}{1.005F'(1.005)} \quad (52)$$

in random points of the arc K_1 . As we have said the maximum of quotients must converge to a value less than 1. As a second part of the example we obtain 1000 evaluations for the quotients in random points of the arc K_2 , and this second sequence must converge to 1. Notice that the great number of evaluations gives an estimation of the supremum norm. Table 3 shows the observed results.

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