

157. The Divergence of Interpolations. I

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The convergence of interpolation polynomials to a given function in the points which satisfy a certain condition has been studied sufficiently by Walsh and others.

Let $f(z)$ be a function which is single valued and analytic throughout the interior of the circle $C_R: |z|=R>0$ and which has singularities on C_R . Let $W_n(z)$ be a sequence of polynomials of respective degrees n such that the sequence of $W_n(z)/z^n$ converges to $\lambda(z)$ analytic and non-vanishing exterior to a circle $C_{R'}: |z|=R'<R$ and uniformly on any closed limited point set exterior to $C_{R'}$. Then the sequence of polynomials $S_n(z; f)$ of respective degrees n found by interpolation to $f(z)$ in all the zeros of $W_{n+1}(z)$ converges to $f(z)$ uniformly on any closed set interior to C_R .

But the divergence of $S_n(z; f)$ at every point exterior to C_R is not yet established in general, as far as I know. If we choose a certain condition of $W_n(z)$ which is stronger than the condition above-mentioned, the divergence at every point exterior to C_R can be proved. (Cf. T. Kakehashi: On the convergence-region of interpolation polynomials, *Journal of the Mathematical Society of Japan*, 6(1954).)

The purpose of this paper is to study the divergence of $S_n(z; f)$ which interpolate to $f(z)$ with singularities of a certain type on C_R , in the points which satisfy the condition mentioned formerly.

1. Let $\varphi(t)$ be the function single valued and analytic on the circle $C_R: |t|=R>0$, a be a point on C_R and m be a complex number. If the real part of m is positive, the integral

$$\int_{C_R} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt \quad ; \quad a=Re^{i\alpha}$$

exists. But if the real part of m is not positive, the above integral does not exist. For such cases, we define the finite part of the integral as follows:

$$(1) \quad \text{Pf.} \int_{C_R} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt = \int_{C_R} \psi(t) (t-a)^{m+p} dt,$$

where $\psi(t)$ is the function single valued and analytic defined by

$$(2) \quad \varphi(t) = \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{\varphi^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (t-a)^k + (t-a)^{p+1} \psi(t)$$

and p is the largest positive integer such that the real part of $m+p$ is zero or negative.

Now we can consider the following.

Lemma 1. *Let $\varphi(t)$ be the function single valued and analytic on and between the two circles C_R and $C_{R'}$: $|t|=R' < R$, and $a = Re^{i\alpha}$. Then*

$$(3) \quad \text{Pf. } \int_{C_R} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt = \int_{C_{R'}} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt.$$

From the definition of Pf. $\int_{C_R} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt$, we can easily verify the following equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pf. } \int_{C_R} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt &= \int_{C_R} \psi(t) (t-a)^{p+m} dt \\ &= \int_{C_{R'}} \psi(t) (t-a)^{p+m} dt = \int_{C_{R'}} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the lemma has been proved.

This lemma enables us to consider the integral on a contour on which the integrand has a certain type of singularities.

Let $\varphi(t)$ be the function single valued and analytic on the circle C_R : $|t|=R > 0$ and m be a complex number not equal to a positive integer. We define $Y_m(\varphi; a)$ by

$$(4) \quad Y_m(\varphi; a) = \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{2\pi i} \text{Pf. } \int_{C_R} \varphi(t) (t-a)^{m-1} dt : a = Re^{i\alpha},$$

where $(t-a)^{m-1}$ take the principal value if m is not zero or negative integer, and Pf. can be omitted if the real part of m is positive. In the case when m is a positive integer, we define $Y_m(\varphi; a)$ by

$$(5) \quad Y_m(\varphi; a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_R} \varphi(t) L_m(t-a) dt ; a = Re^{i\alpha}$$

$$m=1, 2, \dots,$$

where

$$(6) \quad \begin{cases} L_1(t) = \text{Log } t \\ L_2(t) = t(\text{Log } t - 1) \\ L_3(t) = \frac{t^2}{2!} \left(\text{Log } t - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ L_k(t) = \frac{t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \left(\text{Log } t - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \dots - \frac{1}{k-1} \right), \end{cases}$$

and $\text{Log } t$ is the principal value of $\log t$.

The relation

$$(7) \quad Y_m(\varphi'; a) = Y_{m-1}(\varphi; a) = \frac{d}{da} Y_m(\varphi; a)$$

is clear from the definition of Y_m by partial integrations. And the operation Y_m is linear in the sense that, for any two functions φ_1 and φ_2 analytic and single valued on C_R ,

$$Y_m(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2) = Y_m(\varphi_1) + Y_m(\varphi_2)$$

and for φ_n ; $n=1, 2, \dots$ analytic on C_R , if φ_n converges to zero uniformly on C_R as n tends to infinity,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} Y_m(\varphi_n) = 0.$$

These relations can be verified from the definitions of Y_m and φ_n .

For z interior to C_R , if we put $\varphi(t) = \frac{1}{t-z}$, we have for any complex number m

$$(8) \quad \begin{cases} Y_m\left(\frac{1}{t-z}; a\right) = \Gamma(1-m)(z-a)^{m-1}; & m \neq 1, 2, \dots, \\ Y_m\left(\frac{1}{t-z}; a\right) = L_m(z-a) & ; m = 1, 2, \dots, \end{cases}$$

where L_m are defined by (6).

Hereafter we denote $Y_m\left(\frac{1}{t-z}; a\right)$ by $y_m(z; a)$ for simplicity.

Let $\varphi(t)$ be a function single valued and analytic on and within the circle C_R . Then $Y_m\left(\frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z}; a\right)$ represents the function $\varphi(z)y_m(z; a)$ which is analytic and single valued within C_R but not analytic on C_R , that is, which has a pole or branch point at $z=a$.

2. In this paragraph, we consider the divergence properties of the power series of a function which is analytic interior to the circle C_R and which has singularities of Y_m type on C_R .

At first we consider the following.

Lemma 2. *Let $\varphi(t)$ be a function single valued and analytic on the circle C_R ; $|t|=R>0$. Then*

$$(9) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^m a^n Y_m(t^{-n}\varphi(t); a) = (-1)^{m-1} a^m \varphi(a).$$

If m is not a positive integer, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Y_m(t^{-n}; a) &= \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{2\pi i} \text{Pf.} \int_{C_R} t^{-n}(t-a)^{m-1} dt \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{2\pi i} \int_{C_{R'} \subset R' < R} t^{-n}(t-a)^{m-1} dt = \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{(n-1)!} \left[\frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} (t-a)^{m-1} \right]_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{(n-1)!} (m-1)(m-2) \dots (m-n+1) (-a)^{m-n} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \Gamma(1-m) \frac{(-m+1)(-m+2)\cdots(-m+n+1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots(n-1)} (-1)^{m-1} (-a)^{m-n}$$

$$\sim (-1)^{m-1} n^{-m} a^{m-n},$$

by the well-known formula

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdots (n-1)}{z(z+1)\cdots(z+n-1)} = \Gamma(z),$$

where \sim signifies that the ratio of both sides tends to 1 as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

If m is a positive integer, we have, for n greater than m ,

$$Y_m(t^{-n}; a) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left[\frac{d^{n-1}}{dt^{n-1}} L_m(t-a) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left[\frac{d^{n-m-1}}{dt^{n-m-1}} (t-a)^{-1} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{n-m-1} (n-m-1)!}{(n-1)!} (-a)^{m-n}$$

$$\sim (-1)^{m-1} n^{-m} a^{m-n}.$$

Thus the validity of (9) can be verified when $\varphi(t) \equiv 1$, that is for any complex number, we have

$$(10) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^m a^n Y_m(t^{-n}; a) = (-1)^{m-1} a^m.$$

We are now in a position to prove the lemma for $\varphi(t)$ in general. At first we consider the case when the real part of m is negative. In this case, $\varphi(t)$ can be expanded to

$$\varphi(t) = \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{\varphi^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (t-a)^k + (t-a)^{p+1} \psi(t)$$

where $\psi(t)$ is a function single valued and analytic on C_R and p is the largest positive integer such that the real part of $m+p$ is zero or negative. And we have

$$n^m a^n Y_m(t^{-n} \varphi(t); a) = n^m a^n \varphi(a) Y_m(t^{-n}; a)$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{\varphi^{(k)}(a)}{k!} \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{\Gamma(1-m-k)} n^m a^n Y_{m+k}(t^{-n}; a)$$

$$+ n^m a^n \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{\Gamma(-m-p)} Y_{m+p+1}(t^{-n} \psi(t); a),$$

and if $m+p$ is zero, the last term must be replaced by

$$n^m a^n \frac{\Gamma(1-m)}{2\pi i} \int_{C_R} t^{-n} \psi(t) dt.$$

The first term of the right side members tends to $(-1)^{m-1} a^m \varphi(a)$ and others tend to zeros as n tends to infinity, by (10) and the boundedness of $a^n Y_{m+p+1}(t^{-n} \psi(t); a)$. The relation (9) has been proved in this case.

In the case when the real part of m is zero or positive, putting

$$\varphi(t) = \varphi(a) + \varphi'(a)(t-a) + (t-a)^2\psi(t),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^m a^n Y_m(t^{-n}\varphi(t); a) &= n^m a^n \varphi(a) Y_m(t^{-n}; a) \\ &+ n^m a^n \varphi'(a) Y_m(t^{-n}(t-a); a) + n^m a^n Y_m(t^{-n}(t-a)^2\psi(t); a). \end{aligned}$$

The first term of the right side members tends to $(-1)^{m-1} a^m \varphi(a)$ and the second tends to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$ by (10). And we can verify that the last term tends to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$ by partial integrations as the $(p+1)$ th derivative of $\psi(t)(t-a)^{m+1}$ or $\psi(t)(t-a)^2 L_m(t-a)$ is continuous, where p is the largest positive integer not greater than the real part of m .

Now the lemma has been established.

Let $\varphi(z)$ be a function single valued and analytic on and within the circle C_R . Partial sums of the power series of the function $\varphi(z)y_m(z; a)$ is represented by

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} P_n(z, \varphi y_m) &= Y_m\left(\frac{t^{n+1}-z^{n+1}}{t^{n+1}} \frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z}; a\right); \\ &n=0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

$P_n(z; \varphi y_m)$ are polynomials of respective degrees n , and (11) is valid even for z exterior to C_R .

Theorem 1. *Let $\varphi(z)$ be a function which is single valued and analytic on and within the circle $C_R: |z|=R>0$ and which does not vanish at $z=a$. Let $P_n(z; \varphi y_m)$ be partial sums of the power series of $\varphi(z)y_m(z; a)$. Then*

$$(12) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^m \left(\frac{a}{z}\right)^n P_n(z; \varphi y_m) = A \neq 0$$

for z exterior to C_R , where A is a complex number non-vanishing and dependent on a, z and φ . Accordingly, $P_n(z; \varphi y_m)$ diverges at every point exterior to C_R .

The linearity of Y_m enables us the following calculations. That is, for a point z exterior to C_R ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^m \left(\frac{a}{z}\right)^n P_n(z; \varphi y_m) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ Y_m \left[n^m \left(\frac{a}{z}\right)^n \frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z}; a \right] - n^m a^n Y_m \left[t^{-(n+1)} \frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z}; a \right] \right\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -n^m a^n Y_m \left(t^{-(n+1)} \frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z}; a \right). \end{aligned}$$

The function $\frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z}$ being single valued and analytic on and within the circle C_R and not vanishing at $t=a$, we can verify the relation (12) by lemma 2. Thus the theorem has been established.