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Extensions of a Theorem of J. L. Walsh

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let A_{ρ} denote the set of functions analytic in $|z| < \rho$ but not on $|z| = \rho$ ($1 < \rho < \infty$) and let $L_{n-1}(z; f)$ denote the Lagrange polynomial interpolant of $f(z) \in A_{\rho}$ in the *n*th roots of unity. If f(z) has the Taylor series expansion $f(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_{\nu} z^{\nu}$, set

$$P_{n-1,j}(z;f) := \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} a_{jn+\nu} z^{\nu}, \qquad j=0, 1, \dots.$$
(1.1)

Then we have the following generalization [2] of a beautiful result due to J. L. Walsh [12]:

THEOREM A. For $f \in A_o$, and any nonnegative integer *l*, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\{ L_{n-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} P_{n-1,j}(z;f) \right\} = 0, \quad \forall |z| < \rho^{l+2}, \quad (1.2)$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leq Z < \rho^{l+2}$. Moreover, (1.2) is best possible in the sense that it is not valid at each point of $|z| = \rho^{l+2}$ for all $f \in A_{\rho}$.

Recently, many generalizations of this theorem and other related results have appeared in the literature [1, 2, 5-7]. In what follows, we extend some of the results of [2] including a recently proven conjecture of theirs [10].

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More specifically, let m and n be positive integers and let $\omega = \exp(2\pi i/mn)$. Set $f_q(z) = f(z\omega^q)$, q = 0, 1, ..., m-1, and define the averages

$$A_{n-1}(z;f) := \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} L_{n-1}(z\omega^{-q};f_q)$$
(1.3)

and

$$A_{n-1,j}(z;f) := \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} P_{n-1,j}(z\omega^{-q};f_q), \qquad j=0,\,1,\dots.$$
(1.4)

From (1.1), it is easy to see that

$$A_{n-1,j}(z;f) = \begin{cases} P_{n-1,j}(z;f) & \text{if } j = sm, s = 0, 1, ..., \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We note that for $0 \le q \le m-1$, $L_{n-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q)|_{z=\omega^{jm+q}} = f_q(\omega^{jm}) = f(\omega^{jm+q}), j=0, 1, ..., n-1$, so that $L_{n-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q)$ may be considered as the Lagrange interpolant of f in the nodes $\{\omega^{jm+q}\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$.

Our main result is

THEOREM 1. Let $f \in A_{\rho}$ and *l* be a nonnegative integer. Let β be the least positive integer such that $\beta m > l$. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\{ A_{n-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1,j}(z;f) \right\} = 0, \qquad \forall |z| < \rho^{1+\beta m}, \quad (1.5)$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leq Z < \rho^{1+\beta m}$. Moreover, the result (1.5) is best possible.

Note that if m = l = 1, then Theorem 1 reduces to Walsh's original result. If m = 1 $(l \ge 0)$, then Theorem 1 yields Theorem 1 in [2].

In Section 2, we prove Theorem 1 and indicate related results. Section 3 is devoted to Hermite interpolation in the roots of unity. The results of this section indicate how those in [2, Sects. 3, 4] and [10, Sects. 1-4] are related. In the final section, some corresponding results for lacunary, 2-periodic lacunary, and general Hermite interpolation are outlined.

2. Average of Lagrange Interpolants

Proof of Theorem 1. Let Γ be any circle |w| = R with $1 < R < \rho$. It can be directly verified that

$$L_{n-1}(z;f) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(w)(w^n - z^n)}{(w - z)(w^n - 1)} \, dw \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$P_{n-1,j}(z;f) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(w)(w^n - z^n)}{(w - z) w^{(j+1)n}} dw, \qquad j = 0, 1, \dots.$$
(2.2)

Consequently,

$$L_{n-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} P_{n-1,j}(z;f) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(w) k(w,z) dw$$
 (2.3)

where

$$k(w, z) := \frac{(w^n - z^n)}{(w - z) w^n} \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} w^{-jn}.$$
 (2.4)

Therefore,

$$L_{n-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} P_{n-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f_q(w) \, k(w, z\omega^{-q}) \, dw$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) \, \omega^{-q} k(t\omega^{-q}, z\omega^{-q}) \, dt$$
(2.5)

where we used the change of variable $t = w\omega^{q}$. In view of (1.3) and (1.4), the difference in (1.5) is given by

$$A_{n-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1,j}(z;f) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) k_1(t,z) dt$$
 (2.6)

where

$$k_1(t,z) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \omega^{-q} k(t\omega^{-q}, z\omega^{-q}).$$
 (2.7)

With the help of (2.4), we see that

$$k_1(t,z) = \frac{(t^n - z^n)}{(t-z) t^n} \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} t^{-jn} \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \omega^{jqn}\right).$$
(2.8)

The last sum in (2.8) is zero unless j = sm (>l), $s = \beta$, $\beta + 1,...$. Thus,

$$k_{1}(t, z) = \frac{(t^{n} - z^{n})}{(t - z) t^{n}} \sum_{s=\beta}^{\infty} t^{-smn}$$

$$= \frac{(t^{n} - z^{n})}{(t - z)(t^{mn} - 1) t^{(\beta - 1)mn + n}}.$$
(2.9)

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In order to bound the integral in (2.6), choose M so that $|f(t)| \leq M$ on Γ . Then for all $|z| \leq \mu$ ($\mu \geq \rho$), we have from (2.6) and (2.9)

$$\left|A_{n-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1,j}(z;f)\right| \leq \frac{MR(R^{n} + \mu^{n})}{(\mu - R)(R^{mn} - 1) R^{(\beta - 1)mn + n}}.$$
 (2.10)

The desired uniform and geometric convergence of (1.5) follows easily from (2.10) by using techniques similar to those in [2, p. 158].

To see that this is best possible, consider the special function $\hat{f}(z) := (\rho - z)^{-1} \in A_{\rho}$. It can be verified by direct computation that

$$A_{n-1}(z;\hat{f}) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1,j}(z;\hat{f}) = \frac{\rho^n - z^n}{(\rho - z)(\rho^{mn} - 1) \rho^{(\beta - 1)mn + n}}.$$

If we set $z = \rho^{1+\beta m}$ this last expression tends to $(\rho^{1+\beta m} - \rho)^{-1} > 0$ as $n \to \infty$. This completes the proof.

Remark 1. In [7] Rivlin obtained a result similar to Theorem 1 by using the least-squares approximation of degree n-1 to f on the (mn + d)th roots of unity $(d \ge 0)$. If l = 0 in (1.5) above, Theorem 1 reduces to Rivlin's result for the special case d = 0. (Actually, a more general averaging technique can be used to obtain Rivlin's result for $d \ge 0$. These methods along with some comments on the sharpness of this overconvergence (see [9]) will appear in a future paper.) To see this, note that if $\gamma = \mu n + \nu$, $0 \le \nu \le n - 1$, then $L_{n-1}(z; z^{\gamma}) = z^{\nu}$. Thus

$$L_{n-1}(z;f) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} a_{\mu n+\nu} z^{\nu}, \qquad (2.11)$$

or, since $f_q(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (a_{\nu} \omega^{q\nu}) z^{\nu}$,

$$L_{n-1}(z\omega^{-q};f_q) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \omega^{-\mu qn} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} a_{\mu n+\nu} z^{\nu}.$$

Upon averaging, we have

$$A_{n-1}(z;f) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} a_{\mu m n + \nu} z^{\nu}.$$

Consideration of (2.11) indicates that $A_{n-1}(z; f)$ is the polynomial $L_{mn-1}(z; f)$ truncated to a polynomial of degree n-1. That is, $A_{n-1}(z; f)$ is the least-squares approximation of degree n-1 to f on the (mn)th roots

of unity (see [7]). Also, from (1.1) it is clear that $A_{n-1,0}(z; f) \equiv P_{n-1}(z; f)$. Thus, for l = 0, (1.5) reduces to

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \{A_{n-1}(z; f) - P_{n-1}(z; f)\} = 0, \quad \forall |z| < \rho^{1+m}.$$
(2.12)

This is the result mentioned above.

Remark 2. If we allow *m* to vary and replace $A_{n-1}(z; f)$ by $A_{n-1}(z; f; m)$ to indicate the dependence on *m*, we have from (2.12)

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} A_{n-1}(z; f; m) = P_{n-1}(z; f).$$

This suggests that, in general, the average polynomial $A_{n-1}(z; f)$ is an appropriate "near-best" approximation to f(z) (see [4]). Results related to this observation will appear in a separate paper.

Let $C(D_{\rho})$ denote the functions continuous in $D_{\rho} = \{|z| \leq \rho\}$. We conclude this section with the statement of

THEOREM 2. Let $f(z) \in A_{\rho} \cap C(D_{\rho})$ and let β and l be as in Theorem 1. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\{ A_{n-1}(z; f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1,j}(z; f) \right\} = 0, \qquad \forall |z| \le \rho^{1+\beta m},$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leq Z < \rho^{1+\beta m}$.

3. HERMITE INTERPOLATION

In this section, we extend Theorem 1 stated above to the case of Hermite interpolation in the roots of unity. For r a nonnegative integer let $b_{rn-1}(z; f)$ be the unique polynomial which interpolates to $f \in A_{\rho}$ and its first (r-1) derivatives in the *n*th roots of unity. That is,

$$\frac{d^{\nu}}{dz^{\nu}}b_{rn-1}(z;f)|_{z=\omega^{jm}} = f^{(\nu)}(\omega^{jm}), \qquad j=0,\,1,...,\,n-1,$$
(3.1)

for v = 0, 1, ..., r - 1.

LEMMA 1. Fix $0 \le q \le m-1$. The polynomial $b_{m-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q)$ has the property that

$$\frac{d^{\nu}}{dz^{\nu}}b_{rn-1}(z\omega^{-q};f_q)|_{z=\omega^{jm+q}} = f^{(\nu)}(z)|_{z=\omega^{jm+q}}$$
(3.2)

for j = 0, 1, ..., n - 1 and v = 0, 1, ..., r - 1.

The proof of Lemma 1 follows immediately from (3.1).

Remark 3. Evidently, the polynomial on the left of (3.2) is the unique polynomial interpolant of f and its first (r-1) derivatives in the points $\{\omega_{j,n+q}^{j,n+q}\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$.

Now define

$$B_{rn-1,0}(z;f) := \sum_{\nu=0}^{rn-1} a_{\nu} z^{\nu}$$

$$B_{rn-1,j}(z;f) := \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} a_{\nu+(r+j-1)n} b_{rn-1}(z;g_{\nu,j}), \quad j=1,2,...,$$
(3.3)

where $g_{v,j}(z) := z^{v+(r+j-1)n}$. Finally, define the averages

$$H_{rn-1}(z;f) := \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} b_{rn-1}(z\omega^{-q};f_q)$$

$$H_{rn-1,j}(z;f) := \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} B_{rn-1,j}(z\omega^{-q};f_q), \qquad j=0, 1,....$$
(3.4)

We shall now prove

THEOREM 3. Let $f \in A_{\rho}$ and let l and β be as in Theorem 1. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\{ H_{rn-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{rn-1,j}(z;f) \right\} = 0, \qquad \forall |z| < \rho^{1+\beta m/r}, \quad (3.5)$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leq Z < \rho^{1+\beta m/r}$. Moreover, the result (3.5) is best possible.

Remark 4. Theorem 3 generalizes Theorem 1 of the previous section in the sense that it reduces to the latter in the case r = 1. If m = 1, Theorem 3 reduces to Theorem 3 of [2].

For the proof of Theorem 3, we will need the following lemma.

LEMMA 2. For j = r - 1, r - 2,..., we have

$$b_{rn-1}(z; g_{0,j-r+1}) = \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \Delta_{\lambda}(j) \, z^{\lambda n}$$
(3.6)

where

$$\Delta_{\lambda}(j) := \sum_{\mu=\lambda}^{r-1} (-1)^{\mu-\lambda} {j \choose \mu} {\mu \choose \mu-\lambda}.$$

Proof. From [2, Eqs. (3.4) and (4.4)] there follows

$$b_{rn-1}(z; g_{\nu,j}) = z^{\nu} b_{rn-1}(z; g_{0,j}) = z^{\nu} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \binom{r+j-1}{\lambda} (z^n-1)^{\lambda}, \quad (3.7)$$

 $0 \le v \le n-1$, $j = 0, 1, \dots$. Equation (3.6) follows directly from (3.7).

Proof of Theorem 3. In [2, p. 165] it was shown that

$$b_{rn-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} B_{rn-1,j}(z;f) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(w) K(w,z) \, dw \qquad (3.8)$$

where

$$K(w, z) := \frac{w^n - z^n}{w - z} \sum_{j=l+r}^{\infty} \frac{b_{rn-1}(z; g_{0,j-r+1})}{w^{(j+1)n}}.$$
(3.9)

(Here, we have again used Γ to denote any circle |w| = R, $1 < R < \rho$.) Using Lemma 2, we see that

$$K(w, z) = \frac{w^n - z^n}{w - z} \sum_{j=l+r}^{\infty} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \frac{d_{\lambda}(j) z^{\lambda n}}{w^{(j+1)n}}.$$
 (3.10)

Appealing to (3.8) we find

$$b_{m-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} B_{m-1,j}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q)$$

= $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) \, \omega^{-q} K(t\omega^{-q}, z\omega^{-q}) \, dt.$ (3.11)

Letting

$$K^{(j,\lambda)}(t,z) := \frac{t^n - z^n}{(t-z) t^{(j+1)n}} \Delta_{\lambda}(j) z^{\lambda n} \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \omega^{nq(j-\lambda)}\right) \quad (3.12)$$

and with the help of (3.4) and (3.11), we see that the difference in (3.5) is given by

$$H_{m-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{m-1,j}(z;f) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) K_1(t,z) dt \qquad (3.13)$$

where

$$K_1(t, z) := \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{j=l+r}^{\infty} K^{(j,\lambda)}(t, z).$$
(3.14)

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From (3.12), we see that $K^{(j,\lambda)}(t, z) \equiv 0$ unless $j - \lambda = sm$, $s = \mu_{\lambda}, \mu_{\lambda} + 1,...$, where

$$\mu_{\lambda} := \begin{cases} \frac{r+l-\lambda}{m}, & \text{if } m \text{ divides } (r+l-\lambda), \\ \left[\frac{r+l-\lambda}{m}\right] + 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
(3.15)

(Definition (3.15) follows from the fact that $sm \ge r + l - \lambda$.) This together with (3.12) and (3.14) yields

$$K_{1}(t,z) = \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=\mu_{\lambda}}^{\infty} K^{(\lambda+sm,\lambda)}(t,z)$$

= $\frac{(t^{n}-z^{n})}{(t-z)} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=\mu_{\lambda}}^{\infty} \Delta_{\lambda}(\lambda+sm) \frac{z^{\lambda n}}{t^{(\lambda+sm)n}}.$ (3.16)

Since $\mu_{\lambda} \ge \beta$ for $\lambda = 0, 1, ..., r - 1$, we have for $|z| > \rho$ and |t| = R

$$|K(t,z)| \leq \frac{|z|^{rn}}{R^{(r+\beta m)n}} M$$
(3.17)

where M is a constant that does not depend on n. This last inequality can be used to establish (3.5).

To see that (3.5) is best possible, consider again the special function $\hat{f}(z) = (\rho - z)^{-1}$. Using (3.1)-(3.4), it can be verified directly that

$$H_{rn-1}(z;\hat{f}) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{rn-1,j}(z;\hat{f}) = \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=\mu_{\lambda}}^{\infty} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \Delta_{\lambda}(\lambda + sm) \frac{z^{\nu+\lambda n}}{\rho^{1+\nu+(\lambda+sm)n}}.$$
 (3.18)

Using Lemma 2 in [2] and recalling that $\mu_{\lambda} \ge \beta$, we have for $z = \rho^{1 + \beta m/r}$

$$H_{rn-1}(z;\hat{f}) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{rn-1,j}(z;\hat{f}) = \frac{1}{\rho} \sum_{\nu=0}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_{r-1}(r-1+\beta m)}{\rho^{(n-\nu)\beta m/r}} + \mathcal{O}(\rho^{-mn}).$$
(3.19)

Since (3.19) does not vanish as $n \to \infty$ the theorem is proved.

Remark 5. Write $H_{rn-1}(z; f; m) \equiv H_{rn-1}(z; f)$. As in Section 2 (see Remark 2), we have

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} H_{rn-1}(z; f; m) = B_{rn-1,0}(z; f).$$

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4. EXTENSIONS TO SOME BIRKHOFF PROBLEMS

A. Lacunary interpolation. For a positive integer r, let $\{m_v\}_{v=0}^{r-1}$ be a sequence of nonnegative integers satisfying $0 = m_0 < m_1 < \cdots < m_{r-1}$ and $m_v \leq vn \ (v = 0, 1, ..., r-1)$. In [3] it was proven that the Hermite-Birkhoff problem of $(0, m_1, ..., m_{r-1})$ interpolation in the *n*th roots of unity has a unique solution. Let $b_{m-1}^*(z; f)$ be this polynomial of degree rn-1, i.e.,

$$\frac{d^{m_v}}{dz^{m_v}}b^*_{m-1}(z;f)|_{z \approx \omega^{jm}} = f^{(m_v)}(\omega^{jm}) \quad (j=0, 1, ..., n-1),$$
(4.1)

for v = 0, 1, ..., r - 1. Note that if $m_v = v, v = 0, 1, ..., r - 1$, then this definition reduces to (3.1). Next, let $B_{rn-1,0}^*(z; f)$ denote the sum of the first *rn* terms of the Taylor series expansion for f and define $B_{rn-1,j}^*(z; f), j = 1, 2, ...,$ using (3.3) by replacing $b_{rn-1}(z; g_{v,j})$ with $b_{rn-1}^*(z; g_{v,j})$ there. Define the averages $H_{rn-1}^*(z; f)$ and $H_{rn-1,j}^*(z; f)$ in an analogous manner using (3.4). We now state the following modified version of Theorem 3.

THEOREM 4. Let $f \in A_{\rho}$ and let l and β be as in Theorem 1. Then the result of Theorem 3 remains valid with $H_{rn-1}(z; f)$ and $H_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$ replaced by $H^*_{rn-1}(z; f)$ and $H^*_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$ (j = 0, 1, ..., l), respectively.

The proof of Theorem 4 is similar to that of Theorem 3. The only major modification is that of replacing $\Delta_{r-1}(j)$ (see Lemma 2) by a sum involving determinants as was done in [3].

B. Two-periodic lacunary interpolation. Let r_1 and r_2 be positive integers and let $0 = m_0 < m_1 < \cdots < m_{r_1-1}$ and $0 \le \tilde{m}_0 < \cdots < \tilde{m}_{r_2-1}$ be two sequences of integers. Write $r = r_1 + r_2$ and require that $m'_v \le vn$, v = 0, 1, ..., r-1where $0 = m'_0 \le m'_1 < \cdots < m'_{r-1}$ is the set $\{m_v\} \cup \{\tilde{m}_v\}$ arranged in increasing order. In this subsection, we will use $\omega := \exp(\pi i/mn)$ where, as before, *m* and *n* are positive integers. Let $S_q = \{\omega^{2jm+q}\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ for q = 0, 1, ..., 2m-1. Let $\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z; f)$ be the 2-periodic lacunary polynomial interpolant which satisfies (see [10, Sect. 5])

$$\frac{d^{m_v}}{dz^{m_v}}\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z;f) = f^{(m_v)}(z), \qquad \forall z \in S_0 \text{ and } v = 0, 1, ..., r_1 - 1,$$

$$\frac{d^{m_v}}{dz^{m_v}}\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z;f) = f^{(m_v)}(z), \qquad \forall z \in S_m \text{ and } v = 0, 1, ..., r_2 - 1.$$
(4.2)

Next, let $\tilde{B}_{rn-1,0}(z; f)$ and $\tilde{B}_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$, j = 1, 2,..., be defined by using (3.3) with $b_{rn-1}(z; g_{v,j})$ replaced by $\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z; g_{v,j})$ when appropriate.

Finally, define the averages

$$\begin{split} \tilde{H}_{m-1}(z;f) &:= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \tilde{b}_{m-1}(z\omega^{-q};f_q) \\ \tilde{H}_{m-1,j}(z;f) &:= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \tilde{B}_{m-1,j}(z\omega^{-q};f_q), \qquad j=0, 1, ..., \end{split}$$
(4.3)

where we have again used the notation $f_q(z) = f(z\omega^q)$. Note that $\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z\omega^{-q}; f_q)$ is the unique 2-periodic lacunary interpolant of $(0, m_1, ..., m_{r_1-1})$ interpolation on S_q and $(\tilde{m}_0, \tilde{m}_1, ..., \tilde{m}_{r_2-1})$ interpolation on S_{m+q} for q = 0, 1, ..., m-1. Using an argument similar to that given for Theorem 3 of Section 3 and the results of [10, Sect. 5], one can verify the following extension of Theorem 1 in [10].

THEOREM 5. Let $f \in A_{\rho}$ and l and β as in Theorem 1. Using the above notation, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\{ \tilde{H}_{m-1}(z;f) - \sum_{j=0}^{l} \tilde{H}_{m-1,j}(z;f) \right\} = 0, \qquad \forall |z| < \rho^{1+\beta m/r}, \quad (4.4)$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leq Z < \rho^{1+\beta m/r}$. Moreover, the result (4.4) is best possible.

Actually, we can obtain a different result along these lines using an idea similar to the averages used in Rivlin [7] for interpolation on the Tchebycheff nodes and extrema. Let $\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z; f)$ be defined by (4.2) upon interchanging the roles of S_0 and S_m there. (Note that $\tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z; f) \equiv \tilde{b}_{rn-1}(z\omega^{-m}; f_m)$.) Next, define new averages $\tilde{H}_{rn-1}(z; f)$ and $\tilde{H}_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$, j=0, 1,..., using (4.3) with the obvious modifications. If we let $R_{rn-1}(z; f)$ ($R_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$) denote the average of $\tilde{H}_{rn-1}(z; f)$ and $\tilde{\tilde{H}}_{rn-1}(z; f)$ ($\tilde{H}_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$ and $\tilde{\tilde{H}}_{rn-1,j}(z; f)$), then Theorem 5 is valid for these averages if the radius of overconvergence is replaced by $\rho^{1+2\beta m/r}$.

C. *Mixed Hermite interpolation*. Consideration of [10, Sect. 6] suggests that we consider extensions of Theorem 3 using mixed Hermite interpolation. Such extensions analogous to Theorem 5 are easily seen to hold.

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