# Extensions of a Theorem of J. L. Walsh 

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## 1. Introduction

Let $A_{\rho}$ 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 $f(z)=\sum_{v=0}^{\infty} a_{v} z^{v}$, set

$$
\begin{equation*}
P_{n-1, j}(z ; f):=\sum_{v=0}^{n-1} a_{j n+v} z^{v}, \quad j=0,1, \ldots . \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

Theorem A. For $f \in A_{\rho}$, and any nonnegative integer $l$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\{L_{n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} P_{n-1 . j}(z ; f)\right\}=0, \quad \forall|z|<\rho^{\prime+2} \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

[^0]More specifically, let $m$ and $n$ be positive integers and let $\omega=$ $\exp (2 \pi i / m n)$. Set $f_{q}(z)=f\left(z \omega^{q}\right), q=0,1, \ldots, m-1$, and define the averages

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{n-1}(z ; f):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} L_{n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right) \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{n-1, j}(z ; f):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} P_{n-1, j}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right), \quad j=0,1, \ldots . \tag{1.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

From (1.1), it is easy to see that

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

We note that for $0 \leqslant q \leqslant m-1,\left.\quad L_{n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)\right|_{z=\omega^{j m+q}}=f_{q}\left(\omega^{j m}\right)=$ $f\left(\omega^{j m+q}\right), j=0,1, \ldots, n-1$, so that $L_{n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)$ may be considered as the Lagrange interpolant of $f$ in the nodes $\left\{\omega^{j m+q}\right\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$.
Our main result is
Theorem 1. Let $f \in A_{\rho}$ and $l$ be a nonnegative integer. Let $\beta$ be the least positive integer such that $\beta m>1$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\{A_{n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{1} A_{n-1, j}(z ; f)\right\}=0, \quad \forall|z|<\rho^{1+\beta m}, \tag{1.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

Note that if $m=l=1$, then Theorem 1 reduces to Walsh's original result. If $m=1(l \geqslant 0)$, 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 $\Gamma$ be any circle $|w|=R$ with $1<R<p$. It can be directly verified that

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{n-1}(z ; f)=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(w)\left(w^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(w-z)\left(w^{n}-1\right)} d w \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
P_{n-1, j}(z ; f)=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(w)\left(w^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(w-z) w^{(j+1) n}} d w, \quad j=0,1, \ldots \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently,

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

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
k(w, z):=\frac{\left(w^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(w-z) w^{n}} \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} w^{-j n} \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Therefore,

$$
\begin{align*}
L_{n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} P_{n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right) & =\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f_{q}(w) k\left(w, z \omega^{-q}\right) d w \\
& =\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) \omega^{-q} k\left(t \omega^{-q}, z \omega^{-q}\right) d t \tag{2.5}
\end{align*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1, j}(z ; f)=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) k_{1}(t, z) d t \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
k_{1}(t, z)=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \omega^{-q} k\left(t \omega^{-q}, z \omega^{-q}\right) . \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

With the help of (2.4), we see that

$$
\begin{equation*}
k_{1}(t, z)=\frac{\left(t^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(t-z) t^{n}} \sum_{j=l+1}^{\infty} t^{-j n}\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \omega^{j q n}\right) \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{align*}
k_{1}(t, z) & =\frac{\left(t^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(t-z) t^{n}} \sum_{s=\beta}^{\infty} t^{-s m n}  \tag{2.9}\\
& =\frac{\left(t^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(t-z)\left(t^{m n}-1\right) t^{(\beta-1) m n+n}}
\end{align*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|A_{n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1, j}(z ; f)\right| \leqslant \frac{M R\left(R^{n}+\mu^{n}\right)}{(\mu-R)\left(R^{m n}-1\right) R^{(\beta-1) m n+n}} \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

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

If we set $z=\rho^{1+\beta m}$ this last expression tends to $\left(\rho^{1+\beta m}-\rho\right)^{-1}>0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. 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 $(m n+d)$ th roots of unity $(d \geqslant 0)$. 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 $d \geqslant 0$. 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 $\gamma=\mu n+v, 0 \leqslant v \leqslant n-1$, then $L_{n-1}\left(z ; z^{\nu}\right)=z^{\nu}$. Thus

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{n-1}(z ; f)=\sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} a_{\mu n+v} z^{v} \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

or, since $f_{q}(z)=\sum_{v=0}^{\infty}\left(a_{v} \omega^{q v}\right) z^{v}$,

$$
L_{n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)=\sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \omega^{-\mu q n} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} a_{\mu n+v} z^{v}
$$

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 $L_{m n-1}(z ; f)$ 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 ( $m n$ )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

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\{A_{n-1}(z ; f)-P_{n-1}(z ; f)\right\}=0, \quad \forall|z|<\rho^{1+m} \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

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)

$$
\lim _{m \rightarrow \infty} A_{n-1}(z ; f ; m)=P_{n-, 1}(z ; f)
$$

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

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

$$
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\{A_{n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} A_{n-1, j}(z ; f)\right\}=0, \quad \forall|z| \leqslant \rho^{1+\beta m},
$$

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

## 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 $b_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ 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,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.\frac{d^{v}}{d z^{v}} b_{r n-1}(z ; f)\right|_{z=\omega^{j m}}=f^{(v)}\left(\omega^{j m}\right), \quad j=0,1, \ldots, n-1 \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $v=0,1, \ldots, r-1$.
Lemma 1. Fix $0 \leqslant q \leqslant m-1$. The polynomial $b_{r n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)$ has the property that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.\frac{d^{v}}{d z^{v}} b_{r n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)\right|_{z=\omega^{j m+q}}=\left.f^{(v)}(z)\right|_{z=\omega^{j m+q}} \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

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 $\left\{\omega^{j n+q}\right\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$.

Now define

$$
\begin{align*}
& B_{r n-1,0}(z ; f):=\sum_{v=0}^{r n-1} a_{v} z^{v} \\
& B_{r n-1, j}(z ; f):=\sum_{v=0}^{n-1} a_{v+(r+j-1) n} b_{r n-1}\left(z ; g_{v, j}\right), \quad j=1,2, \ldots, \tag{3.3}
\end{align*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{align*}
& H_{r n-1}(z ; f):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} b_{r n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)  \tag{3.4}\\
& H_{r n-1, j}(z ; f):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} B_{r n-1, j}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right), \quad j=0,1, \ldots
\end{align*}
$$

We shall now prove

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\{H_{r n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)\right\}=0, \quad \forall|z|<\rho^{1+\beta m / r} \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leqslant Z<\rho^{1+\beta m / r}$. 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 $j=r-1, r-2, \ldots$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
b_{r n-1}\left(z ; g_{0, j-r+1}\right)=\sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \Delta_{\lambda}(j) z^{\lambda n} \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

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

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
b_{r n-1}\left(z ; g_{v, j}\right)=z^{v} b_{r n-1}\left(z ; g_{0, j}\right)=z^{v} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1}\binom{r+j-1}{\lambda}\left(z^{n}-1\right)^{\lambda} \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

$0 \leqslant v \leqslant n-1, j=0,1, \ldots$. Equation (3.6) follows directly from (3.7).
Proof of Theorem 3. In [2, p. 165] it was shown that

$$
\begin{equation*}
b_{r n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} B_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(w) K(w, z) d w \tag{3.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
K(w, z):=\frac{w^{n}-z^{n}}{w-z} \sum_{j=l+r}^{\infty} \frac{b_{r n-1}\left(z ; g_{0, j-r+1}\right)}{w^{(j+1) n}} \tag{3.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
K(w, z)=\frac{w^{n}-z^{n}}{w-z} \sum_{j=l+r}^{\infty} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \frac{\Delta_{\lambda}(j) z^{\lambda n}}{w^{(j+1) n}} \tag{3.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Appealing to (3.8) we find

$$
\begin{align*}
& b_{r n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} B_{r n-1, j}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right) \\
& \quad=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) \omega^{-q} K\left(t \omega^{-q}, z \omega^{-q}\right) d t . \tag{3.11}
\end{align*}
$$

Letting

$$
\begin{equation*}
K^{(j, \lambda)}(t, z):=\frac{t^{n}-z^{n}}{(t-z) t^{(j+1) n}} \Lambda_{\lambda}(j) z^{\lambda n}\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \omega^{n q(j-\lambda)}\right) \tag{3.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
H_{r n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(t) K_{1}(t, z) d t \tag{3.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
K_{1}(t, z):=\sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{j=t+r}^{\infty} K^{(j, \lambda)}(t, z) . \tag{3.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

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

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

$$
\begin{align*}
K_{1}(t, z) & =\sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=\mu_{\lambda}}^{\infty} K^{(\lambda+s m, \lambda)}(t, z)  \tag{3.16}\\
& =\frac{\left(t^{n}-z^{n}\right)}{(t-z)} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=\mu_{i}}^{\infty} \Delta_{\lambda}(\lambda+s m) \frac{z^{\lambda n}}{t^{(\lambda+s m) n}} .
\end{align*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
|K(t, z)| \leqslant \frac{|z|^{r n}}{R^{(r+\beta m) n}} M \tag{3.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{align*}
& H_{r n-1}(z ; \hat{f})-\sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{r n-1, j}(z ; \hat{f}) \\
& \quad=\sum_{\lambda=0}^{r-1} \sum_{s=\mu_{i}}^{\infty} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} \Delta_{\lambda}(\lambda+s m) \frac{z^{v+i n}}{\rho^{1+v+(\lambda+s m) n}} . \tag{3.18}
\end{align*}
$$

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
H_{r n-1}(z ; \hat{f})-\sum_{j=0}^{l} H_{r n-1, j}(z ; \hat{f})=\frac{1}{\rho} \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} \frac{\Delta_{r-1}(r-1+\beta m)}{\rho^{(n-v) \beta m / r}}+\mathcal{O}\left(\rho^{-m n}\right) \tag{3.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since (3.19) does not vanish as $n \rightarrow \infty$ the theorem is proved.
Remark 5. Write $H_{r n-1}(z ; f ; m) \equiv H_{r n-1}(z ; f)$. As in Section 2 (see Remark 2), we have

$$
\lim _{m \rightarrow \infty} H_{r n-1}(z ; f ; m)=B_{r n-1,0}(z ; f) .
$$

## 4. Extensions to Some Birkhoff Problems

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

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.\frac{d^{m_{v}}}{d z^{m_{v}}} b_{r n-1}^{*}(z ; f)\right|_{z=\omega^{j m}}=f^{\left(m_{v}\right)}\left(\omega^{j m}\right) . \quad(j=0,1, \ldots, n-1) \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for $v=0,1, \ldots, r-1$. Note that if $m_{v}=v, v=0,1, \ldots, r-1$, then this definition reduces to (3.1). Next, let $B_{r n-1,0}^{*}(z ; f)$ denote the sum of the first $r n$ terms of the Taylor series expansion for $f$ and define $B_{r n-1, j}^{*}(z ; f), j=1,2, \ldots$, using (3.3) by replacing $b_{r n-1}\left(z ; g_{v, j}\right)$ with $b_{r n-1}^{*}\left(z ; g_{v, j}\right)$ there. Define the averages $H_{r n-1}^{*}(z ; f)$ and $H_{r n-1, j}^{*}(z ; f)$ 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 $\beta$ be as in Theorem 1. Then the result of Theorem 3 remains valid with $H_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ and $H_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)$ replaced by $H_{r n-1}^{*}(z ; f)$ and $H_{r n-1, j}^{*}(z ; f)(j=0,1, \ldots, l)$, respectively.

The proof of Theorem 4 is similar to that of Theorem 3. The only major modification is that of replacing $A_{r-1}(j)$ (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 $0 \leqslant \tilde{m}_{0}<\cdots<\tilde{m}_{r_{2}-1}$ be two sequences of integers. Write $r=r_{1}+r_{2}$ and require that $m_{v}^{\prime} \leqslant v n, v=0,1, \ldots, r-1$ where $0=m_{0}^{\prime} \leqslant m_{1}^{\prime}<\cdots<m_{r-1}^{\prime}$ is the set $\left\{m_{v}\right\} \cup\left\{\tilde{m}_{v}\right\}$ arranged in increasing order. In this subsection, we will use $\omega:=\exp (\pi i / m n)$ where, as before, $m$ and $n$ are positive integers. Let $S_{\varphi}=\left\{\omega^{2 j m+4}\right\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ for $q=0,1, \ldots$, $2 m-1$. Let $\tilde{b}_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ be the 2-periodic lacunary polynomial interpolant which satisfies (see [10, Sect. 5])

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\frac{d^{m_{v}}}{d z^{m_{v}}} \tilde{b}_{r n-1}(z ; f)=f^{\left(m_{v}\right)}(z), & \forall z \in S_{0} \text { and } v=0,1, \ldots, r_{1}-1, \\
\frac{d^{m_{v}}}{d z^{\tilde{m}_{v}}} \tilde{b}_{r n-1}(z ; f)=f^{\left(\tilde{m}_{v}\right)}(z), \quad \forall z \in S_{m} \text { and } v=0,1, \ldots, r_{2}-1 . \tag{4.2}
\end{array}
$$

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

Finally, define the averages

$$
\begin{align*}
& \tilde{H}_{r n-1}(z ; f):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \tilde{b}_{r n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right) \\
& \tilde{H}_{r n-1, j}(z ; f):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \tilde{B}_{r n-1, j}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right), \quad j=0,1, \ldots, \tag{4.3}
\end{align*}
$$

where we have again used the notation $f_{q}(z)=f\left(z \omega^{q}\right)$. Note that $\tilde{b}_{r n-1}\left(z \omega^{-q} ; f_{q}\right)$ is the unique 2-periodic lacunary interpolant of $\left(0, m_{1}, \ldots\right.$, $m_{r_{1}-1}$ ) interpolation on $S_{q}$ and ( $\tilde{m}_{0}, \tilde{m}_{1}, \ldots, \tilde{m}_{r_{2}-1}$ ) interpolation on $S_{m+4}$ for $q=0,1, \ldots, m-1$. 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 $\beta$ as in Theorem 1. Using the above notation, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty}\left\{\tilde{H}_{r n-1}(z ; f)-\sum_{j=0}^{1} \tilde{H}_{r n-1 . j}(z ; f)\right\}=0, \quad \forall|z|<\rho^{1+\beta m / r}, \tag{4.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

the convergence being uniform and geometric for all $|z| \leqslant Z<\rho^{1+\beta m / r}$. 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 $\tilde{b}_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ be defined by (4.2) upon interchanging the roles of $S_{0}$ and $S_{m}$ there. (Note that $\tilde{\tilde{b}}_{r n-1}(z ; f) \equiv$ $\tilde{b}_{m-1}\left(z \omega^{-m} ; f_{m}\right)$.) Next, define new averages $\tilde{\tilde{H}}_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ and $\tilde{\tilde{H}}_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)$, $j=0,1, \ldots$, using (4.3) with the obvious modifications. If we let $R_{m-1}(z ; f)$ $\left(R_{r n--1, j}(z ; f)\right)$ denote the average of $\tilde{H}_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ and $\tilde{\tilde{H}}_{r n-1}(z ; f)$ $\left(\tilde{H}_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)\right.$ and $\tilde{\tilde{H}}_{r n-1, j}(z ; f)$ ), 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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