

# Convergence Acceleration of Fourier Series by the Roots of the Laguerre Polynomial

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## Abstract

We apply the idea of Fourier-Pade approximation for accelerating the convergence of the truncated Fourier series. The resultant rational linear approximation of the smooth function  $f$  on  $[-1, 1]$  is constructed by the roots of the Laguerre polynomial that depends on the smoothness of the approximated function. Numerical results outlined the quality of approximations.

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## 1. Basic Formulae

Denote

$$S_N(f) = \sum_{n=-N}^N f_n e^{i\pi n x}, \quad f_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) e^{-i\pi n x} dx. \quad (1)$$

For a finite sequence of complex numbers  $\theta := \{\theta_k\}_{k=-p}^p$ ,  $p \geq 1$  we put

$$\Delta_n^0(\theta) = f_n, \quad \Delta_n^k(\theta) = \Delta_n^{k-1}(\theta) + \theta_k \operatorname{sgn}(n) \Delta_{(|n|-1)\operatorname{sgn}(n)}^{k-1}(\theta), \quad k \geq 1,$$

where  $\operatorname{sgn}(n) = 1$  if  $n \geq 0$  and  $\operatorname{sgn}(n) = -1$  if  $n < 0$ .

By  $R_N(f)$  denote the approximation error of the truncated Fourier series

$$R_N(f) = f(x) - S_N(f) = R_N^+(f) + R_N^-(f),$$

where

$$R_N^+(f) = \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} f_n e^{i\pi n x}, \quad R_N^-(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-N-1} f_n e^{i\pi n x}.$$

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Applying the Abel transformation, we get

$$R_N^+(f) = -e^{i\pi(N+1)x} \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{\theta_k \Delta_N^{k-1}(\theta)}{\prod_{s=1}^k (1 + \theta_s e^{i\pi x})} + \frac{1}{\prod_{k=1}^p (1 + \theta_k e^{i\pi x})} \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \Delta_n^p(\theta) e^{i\pi n x}.$$

Similar expansion of  $R_N^-(f)$  reduces to the following approximation ([2])

$$S_{p,N}(f) := \sum_{n=-N}^N f_n e^{i\pi n x} - e^{i\pi(N+1)x} \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{\theta_k \Delta_N^{k-1}(\theta)}{\prod_{s=1}^k (1 + \theta_s e^{i\pi x})} - e^{-i\pi(N+1)x} \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{\theta_{-k} \Delta_{-N}^{k-1}(\theta)}{\prod_{s=1}^k (1 + \theta_{-s} e^{-i\pi x})}$$

with the error

$$R_{p,N}(f) = f(x) - S_{p,N}(f) = R_{p,N}^+(f) + R_{p,N}^-(f),$$

where

$$R_{p,N}^{\pm}(f) := \frac{1}{\prod_{k=1}^p (1 + \theta_{\pm k} e^{\pm i\pi x})} \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \Delta_{\pm n}^p(\theta) e^{\pm i\pi n x}.$$

If  $\theta$  is the solution of system

$$\Delta_n^p(\theta) = 0, \quad n = -N - 1, \dots, -N - p; N + 1, \dots, N + p, \quad (2)$$

then approximation  $S_{p,N}(f)$  coincides with the Fourier-Pade approximation [1].

In this paper we introduce an alternative approach for determining the parameters  $\theta_k$  when the approximated function is smooth on  $[-1, 1]$ . The resultant approximates  $f$  by means of rational functions but realizes linear approximation.

We put

$$A_k(f) = f^{(k)}(1) - f^{(k)}(-1).$$

Further we suppose that

$$\theta_k = \theta_{-k} = 1 - \frac{\tau_k}{N}, \quad k = 1, \dots, p. \quad (3)$$

By  $\gamma_k(p), k = 0, \dots, p$  we denote the coefficients of the polynomial

$$\prod_{k=1}^p (1 + \tau_k x) \equiv \sum_{k=0}^p \gamma_k(p) x^k.$$

First we need the following Lemma.

**Lemma 1.** [2] Suppose  $f \in C^{q+p}[-1, 1]$ ,  $q \geq 0$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , and  $f^{(q+p)}$  is absolutely continuous on  $[-1, 1]$ . Then, if  $A_j(f) = 0$  for  $j = 0, \dots, q - 1$  and  $\theta_k$  are chosen as in (3), the following asymptotic expansion holds as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $n \geq N + 1$

$$\Delta_n^p(\theta) = A_q(f) \frac{(-1)^{n+p+1}}{2(i\pi)^{q+1}q!} \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{(q+p-k)!(-1)^k \gamma_k(p)}{N^k n^{q+p-k+1}} + o(n^{-q-p-1}).$$

In view of Lemma 1 and system (2) we get the following system for determining the numbers  $\tau_k$

$$\sum_{k=0}^p \frac{(q+p-k)!(-1)^k \gamma_k(p)}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{N}\right)^{q+p-k+1}} = 0, \quad s = 1, \dots, p.$$

Expansion into Taylor series in terms of  $1/N$  leads to the following equations

$$\sum_{k=0}^p (-1)^k \gamma_k(p) (m+q+p-k)! = 0, \quad m = 0, \dots, p-1.$$

From here we get

$$\gamma_k(p) = \binom{p}{k} \frac{(q+p)!}{(q+p-k)!}, \quad k = 0, \dots, p, \quad \gamma_0(p) = 1.$$

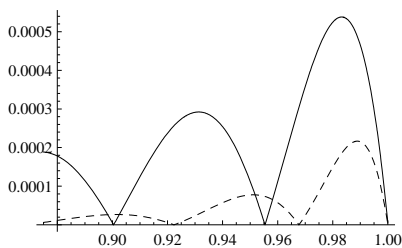


Figure 1: Absolute errors while approximating (??) by the truncated Fourier series (solid line) and rational approximation for  $p = 1$  (dashed line) when  $N = 16$  and  $q = 2$ .

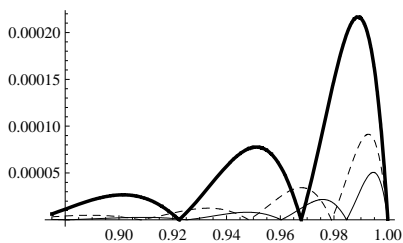


Figure 2: Absolute errors while approximating (4) by the rational approximation for  $p=1$  (thick solid line),  $p = 2$  (dashed line) and  $p = 3$  (thin solid line) when  $N = 16$  and  $q = 2$ .

Taking into account the definition of  $\gamma_k$  we obtain the equation

$$(p+q)! \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{(-1)^k}{(p-k)! k! (q+k)!} x^k = 0,$$

with Laguerre polynomial ([3])  $L_p^q(x)$  in the left hand side that has positive single roots  $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^p$  satisfying the condition  $x_k = \tau_k$ . Now  $S_{p,N}(f)$  with  $\theta_k$  defined by (3), where  $\tau_k$  are the roots of the Laguerre polynomial  $L_p^q(x)$ , realizes rational linear approximation of the smooth function  $f$  on  $[-1, 1]$ .

It is easy to check that for  $p = 1$  we have  $\tau_1 = 1 + q$  and for  $p = 2$  we get  $\tau_1 = q + 2 + \sqrt{q+2}$  and  $\tau_2 = q + 2 - \sqrt{q+2}$ .

**2. Numerical Illustrations** Consider the following simple function

$$f(x) = (1 - x^2)^2 \sin(x - 0.5). \quad (4)$$

Figures 1 and 2 compare truncated Fourier series with the rational approximations at the point  $x = 1$ . Figure 3 shows the plots of the absolute errors on the interval  $[-0.5, 0.5]$  while approximating (4) by the truncated Fourier series and rational approximations.

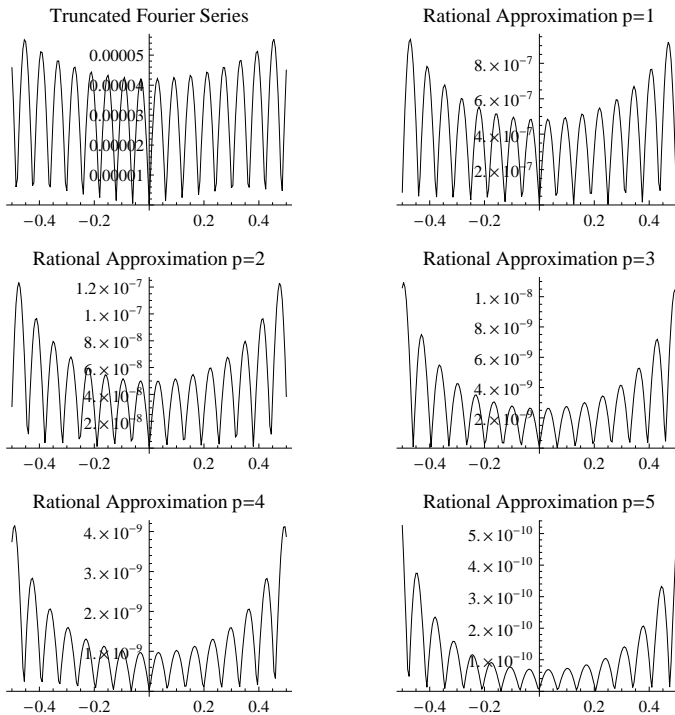


Figure 3: Absolute errors while approximating (4) by the truncated Fourier series and rational approximations on the interval  $[-0.5, 0.5]$  for  $N = 16$  and  $q = 2$ .

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