

NOTE ON THE RELATION BETWEEN CONTINUITY AND DEGREE OF POLYNOMIAL APPROXI- MATION IN THE COMPLEX DOMAIN*

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1. *Introduction.* It is the purpose of the present note to establish the following theorems:

THEOREM I. *Let C be an analytic Jordan curve in the z -plane and let $f(z)$ be defined in \bar{C} , the closed limited point set bounded by C . For each n , $n=1, 2, \dots$, let a polynomial $P_n(z)$ of degree n in z exist such that*

$$(1) \quad |f(z) - P_n(z)| \leq \frac{M}{n^{p+\alpha}}, \quad z \text{ in } \bar{C}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,$$

where M is a constant independent of n and z , and p is a non-negative integer. Then $f(z)$ is analytic in C and continuous in \bar{C} ; the p th derivative $f^{(p)}(z)$ exists on C in the one-dimensional sense and satisfies the condition

$$(2) \quad |f^{(p)}(z_1) - f^{(p)}(z_2)| \leq L |z_1 - z_2|^\alpha |\log |z_1 - z_2||^\beta, \\ z_1, z_2 \text{ on } C,$$

where $\beta=0$ if $\alpha < 1$, and $\beta=1$ if $\alpha=1$, and where L is a constant independent of z_1 and z_2 .

THEOREM II. *Let E , with boundary C , be a closed limited point set in the z -plane whose complement K is connected, and is regular in the sense that there exists a function $w=\phi(z)$ which maps K conformally but not necessarily uniformly onto $|w| > 1$ so that the points at infinity in the two planes correspond to each other. Let the locus $C_R: |\phi(z)| = R > 1$, consist of a finite number of mutually exterior analytic Jordan curves. Let $f(z)$ be defined in E , and for each n , $n=1, 2, \dots$, let a polynomial $P_n(z)$ of degree n in z exist such that*

$$(3) \quad |f(z) - P_n(z)| \leq \frac{M}{n^{p+\alpha+1}R^n}, \quad z \text{ in } E, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,$$

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