

The range of vector-valued analytic functions, II

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The present paper is a continuation of [2]. We keep the notation of [2]. We write $I = \{t \in \mathbb{R}: 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$.

Theorem. *Let F be a pathwise connected set in a separable complex Banach space X and let $O \subset X$ be an open set containing F . There exists a continuous function $f: \bar{\Delta} - \{1\} \rightarrow X$, analytic on Δ and such that*

- (i) $f(\bar{\Delta} - \{1\}) \subset O$
- (ii) the cluster set of f at 1 is \bar{F} .

The proof of this theorem is almost identical with the proof of Theorem in [2] once we have proved the following lemma which enables to pass from balanced sets to arbitrary pathwise connected sets.

Lemma. *Let $f: I \rightarrow X$ be a path in a complex Banach space X satisfying $f(0) = 0$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $0 < r < 1$. Suppose that E is a closed subset of the boundary of Δ of linear measure 0 which does not contain a point z_0 , $|z_0| = 1$. Denote $D = \bar{\Delta} \cap K(r, z_0)$. There exists a continuous function $\Phi: \bar{\Delta} \rightarrow X$, analytic on Δ and having the following properties*

- (a) $\Phi(\bar{\Delta}) \subset f(I) + B_\varepsilon(X)$
- (b) $\|\Phi(z)\| < \varepsilon \quad (z \in \bar{\Delta} - D)$
- (c) $\|f(1) - \Phi(z_0)\| < \varepsilon$
- (d) $\Phi(z) = 0 \quad (z \in E)$.

Proof. By the Mergelyan theorem for vector-valued functions [1] there exists a polynomial $P: C \rightarrow X$ such that $\|f(z) - P(z)\| < \varepsilon/4$ ($z \in I$). Putting $Q(z) = P(z) - P(0)$ it is easy to see that there exists a neighbourhood U of I such that $Q(U) \subset f(I) + B_\varepsilon(X)$. Let $V \subset U$ be an open neighbourhood of $I - \{1\}$, containing the point 1 in its boundary and bounded by a Jordan curve contained in U . By the Riemann mapping theorem there exists a one-to-one analytic map φ from Δ onto V which [4, p. 282] has an extension $\bar{\varphi}$ which is a homeomorphism from $\bar{\Delta}$ onto \bar{V} . Composing

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it with a Möbius transformation if necessary we may assume that $\bar{\varphi}(0)=0$ and $\bar{\varphi}(1)=1$. By the Rudin—Carleson theorem [3, p. 81] there exists a continuous function $\eta: \bar{\Delta} \rightarrow \bar{\Delta}$, analytic on Δ and satisfying $\eta(z)=0$ ($z \in E$) and $\eta(z_0)=1$. Also there exists a peaking function for z_0 , i.e. a continuous function $\psi: \bar{\Delta} \rightarrow \bar{\Delta}$, analytic on Δ and satisfying $\psi(z_0)=1$, $|\psi(z)| < 1$ ($z \in \bar{\Delta} - \{z_0\}$) [3, p. 81]. There exists a neighbourhood $W \subset V$ of the point 0 such that $\|Q(z)\| < \varepsilon$ ($z \in W$). Let $T \subset \Delta$ be a neighbourhood of the point 0 such that $\varphi(T) \subset W$. Multiplying η with a suitable power of ψ if necessary we may assume that $\eta(\bar{\Delta} - D) \subset T$, $\eta(z_0)=1$ and $\eta(z)=0$ ($z \in E$). Put $\Phi = Q \circ \bar{\varphi} \circ \eta$. It is easy to check that Φ has all the required properties. Q.E.D.

Corollary. *Given any open connected set F in a separable complex Banach space X there exists an analytic function $f: \Delta \rightarrow X$ whose range is contained and dense in F .*

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