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# Uniform convergence of the Bieberbach polynomials in closed smooth domains of bounded boundary rotation

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## Abstract

Let  $G$  be a Jordan smooth domain of bounded boundary rotation, let  $z_0 \in G$ , and let  $w = \varphi_0(z)$  be the conformal mapping of  $G$  onto  $D(0, r_0) := \{w : |w| < r_0\}$  with the normalization  $\varphi_0(z_0) = 0, \varphi_0'(z_0) = 1$ . Let also  $\pi_n(z), n = 1, 2, \dots$ , be the Bieberbach polynomials for the pair  $(G, z_0)$ . We investigate the uniform convergence of these polynomials on  $\bar{G}$  and prove the estimate

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} := \max_{z \in \bar{G}} |\varphi_0(z) - \pi_n(z)| \leq \frac{c}{n^{1-\varepsilon}},$$

for some constant  $c = c(\varepsilon)$  independent of  $n$ .

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## 1. Introduction and new results

Let  $G$  be a finite simply connected domain in the complex plane  $C$  bounded by rectifiable Jordan curve  $L$ , and let  $z_0 \in G$ . By the Riemann mapping theorem, there exists a unique conformal mapping  $w = \varphi_0(z)$  of  $G$  onto  $D(0, r_0) := \{w : |w| < r_0\}$

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with the normalization  $\varphi_0(z_0) = 0, \varphi'_0(z_0) = 1$ . The radius  $r_0$  of this disc is called the conformal radius of  $G$  with respect to  $z_0$ . Let  $\psi_0(w)$  be the inverse to  $\varphi_0(z)$ . Let also  $G^- := ext L, D := D(0, 1) = \{w : |w| < 1\}, T := \partial D, D^- := \{w : |w| > 1\}$ , and let  $\varphi$  be the conformal mapping of  $G^-$  onto  $D^-$  normalized by

$$\varphi(\infty) = \infty, \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(z)/z > 0.$$

We denote by  $\psi$  the inverse mappings of  $\varphi$ .

For an arbitrary function  $f$  given on  $G$  we set

$$\|f\|_{L_2(G)}^2 := \int \int_G |f(z)|^2 d\sigma_z.$$

If the function  $f$  has a continuous extension to  $\bar{G}$  we use also the uniform norm

$$\|f\|_{\bar{G}} := \sup\{|f(z)|, z \in \bar{G}\}.$$

It is well known that the function  $\varphi_0(z)$  minimizes the integral  $\|f'\|_{L_2(G)}^2$  in the class of all functions analytic in  $G$  with the normalization  $f(z_0) = 0, f'(z_0) = 1$ . On the other hand, let  $\Pi_n$  be the class of all polynomials  $p_n$  of degree at most  $n$  satisfying the conditions  $p_n(z_0) = 0, p'_n(z_0) = 1$ . Then the integral  $\|p'_n\|_{L_2(G)}^2$  is minimized in  $\Pi_n$  by an unique polynomial  $\pi_n$  which is called the  $n$ th Bieberbach polynomial for the pair  $(G, z_0)$ .

As follows from the results due to Farrel and Markushevich, if  $G$  is a Caratheodory domain, then  $\|\varphi'_0 - \pi'_n\|_{L_2(G)} \rightarrow 0 (n \rightarrow \infty)$  and from this it follows that  $\pi_n(z) \rightarrow \varphi_0(z) (n \rightarrow \infty)$  for  $z \in G$ , uniformly on compact subsets of  $G$ .

First of all, the uniform convergence of the Bieberbach polynomials in the closed domain  $\bar{G}$  was investigated by Keldych. He showed [15] that if the boundary  $L$  of  $G$  is a smooth Jordan curve with bounded curvature then the following estimate holds for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ :

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq \frac{const}{n^{1-\varepsilon}}.$$

In [15] the author also gives an example of domains  $G$  with a Jordan rectifiable boundary  $L$  for which the appropriate sequence of the Bieberbach polynomials diverges on a set which is everywhere dense in  $L$ .

Furthermore, Mergelyan [16] has shown that the Bieberbach polynomials satisfy

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq \frac{const}{n^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}, \tag{1}$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , whenever  $L$  is a smooth Jordan curve.

Therefore, the uniform convergence of the sequence  $\{\pi_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  in  $\bar{G}$  and the estimate of the error  $\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}}$  depend on the geometric properties of boundary  $L$ . If  $L$  has a certain degree of smoothness, this error tends to zero with a certain speed. In the literature there are sufficiently many results about the uniform convergence of the Bieberbach polynomials in the closed domains  $\bar{G}$ . In several papers (see, for example, [1–3,9–11,13–16,18,19,21]) various estimates of the error  $\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}}$  and sufficient

conditions on the geometry of the boundary  $L$  are given to guarantee the uniform convergence of the Bieberbach polynomials on  $\bar{G}$ . Recently the important results in this area has been obtained by Andrievskii [2,3] and by Gaier [9–11]. In particular Andrievskii proved the uniform convergence of Bieberbach polynomials in closed domains with quasiconformal and piecewise-quasiconformal boundary, and Gaier obtained the results about the uniform convergence of these polynomials in closed domains with the various boundary constructions and also studied the cases when the rate of this convergence is quite close to the best possible rate in uniform polynomial approximation of the conformal mapping  $\varphi_0$ . It should also be pointed out the recent paper of Andrievskii and Pritsker [4], where they investigated the uniform convergence in closed domains with certain interior zero angles and discussed the critical order of tangency at this interior zero angle, separating the convergent behaviour of Bieberbach polynomials from the divergent one for sufficiently thin cusps.

But no improvement of the Mergelyan's estimation (1) in the above cited works, when the boundary of  $G$  is smooth has been observed. However, Mergelyan [16] stated it as a conjecture that the exponent  $\frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon$  in (1) could be replaced by  $1 - \varepsilon$ .

In [14] it has been possible for us to obtain some improvement of the above cited Mergelyan's estimation (1). From this result in particular it follows that if  $G$  is a finite domain with a smooth Jordan boundary, then

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq \text{const} \left( \frac{\ln n}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad n \geq 2,$$

which improves estimation (1).

Developing the idea used in [14] we shall prove the above cited Mergelyan's conjecture for a smooth domain of bounded boundary rotation.

Our main result states as

**Theorem 1.** *If  $G$  is a finite smooth domain of bounded boundary rotation, then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a constant  $c = c(\varepsilon)$  such that*

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq \frac{c}{n^{1-\varepsilon}}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

We shall use  $c, c_1, c_2, \dots$  to denote constants (in general, different in different relations) depending only on numbers that are not important for the questions of interest.

## 2. Auxiliary results

We denote by  $L^p(L)$  and  $E^p(G)$  the set of all measurable complex valued functions such that  $|f|^p$  is Lebesgue integrable with respect to arclength, and the Smirnov class of analytic functions in  $G$ , respectively. Each function  $f \in E^p(G)$  has a nontangential limit almost everywhere (a.e.) on  $L$ , and if we use the same notation for the nontangential limit of  $f$ , then  $f \in L^p(L)$ .

For  $p \geq 1$ ,  $L^p(L)$  and  $E^p(G)$  are Banach spaces with respect to the norm

$$\|f\|_{E^p(G)} = \|f\|_{L^p(L)} := \left( \int_L |f(z)|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p}.$$

For the further fundamental properties, see [6, pp. 168–185]; [12, pp. 438–453].

For a weight function  $\omega$  given on  $L$ , and  $p > 1$  we also set

$$L^p(L, \omega) := \{f \in L^1(L) : |f|^p \omega \in L^1(L)\},$$

$$E^p(G, \omega) := \{f \in E^1(G) : f \in L^p(L, \omega)\}.$$

We denote by  $A_p(L)$  the set of all weight functions  $\omega$  satisfying the Muckenhoupt condition, i.e.,

$$\sup_{z \in L} \sup_{r > 0} \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_{L \cap D(z,r)} \omega(\zeta) |d\zeta| \right) \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_{L \cap D(z,r)} [\omega(\zeta)]^{-1/(p-1)} |d\zeta| \right)^{p-1} < \infty, \quad 1 < p < \infty.$$

**Definition 1.** For  $g \in L^p = L^p(0, 2\pi)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , the function

$$\omega_p(\delta) = \omega_p(g, \delta) := \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |g(x+t) - g(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p}$$

is called the integral modulus of continuity of order  $p$  for  $g$ .

If

$$\omega_p(g, t) = O(t^\alpha), \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1,$$

we say that  $g$  belongs to the class  $\Lambda_x^p$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $G$  be a domain with a smooth boundary  $L$ , and let  $\Phi(w) := \varphi'_0(\psi(w))$ . The function

$$\omega_p^*(\varphi'_0, \delta) := \sup_{|h| \leq \delta} \|\Phi(we^{ih}) - \Phi(w)\|_{L^p(T)} =: \omega_p(\Phi, \delta), \quad p > 1$$

is called the generalized integral modulus of continuity for  $\varphi'_0 \in E^p(G)$ .

This definition is correct. Indeed, if  $1/p_0 + 1/q_0 = 1$  and  $|h| \geq 0$ , by virtue of Hölder’s inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi(we^{ih})\|_{L^p(T)}^p &= \int_T |(\varphi'_0 \circ \psi)(we^{ih})|^p |dw| \\ &= \int_T |(\varphi'_0 \circ \psi)(w)|^p |dw| = \int_L |\varphi'_0(z)|^p |\varphi'(z)| |dz| \\ &\leq \left( \int_L |\varphi'_0(z)|^{pp_0} |dz| \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \int_L |\varphi'(z)|^{q_0} |dz| \right)^{1/q_0} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

because for the smooth domains  $\varphi'_0, \varphi' \in L^p(L)$ , for every  $p \geq 1$  [20].

Without loss of generality, we assume that the conformal radius  $r_0$  of  $G$  with respect to  $z_0$  equal to 1. Let  $\psi_0(e^{it}), 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ , be the conformal parametrization of the smooth boundary  $L$  and let  $\beta(t)$  be its tangent direction angle at the point  $\psi_0(e^{it})$ .

**Definition 3** (See, for example, Pommerenke [17, pp. 63–64]). The domain  $G$  is of bounded boundary rotation if  $\beta(t)$  has bounded variation, i.e. if

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |d\beta(t)| = \sup_{t_v} \sum_{v=1}^n |\beta(t_v) - \beta(t_{v-1})| < \infty$$

for all partitions  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 2\pi$ .

The following theorem holds.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $G$  be a finite smooth domain of bounded boundary rotation, and let  $p > 1$ . Then*

$$\psi'_0(e^{it}) \in \Lambda_{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}}^p,$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

**Proof.** Since  $L$  is smooth we have [17, Theorem 3.2, pp. 43–44]

$$\arg \psi'_0(e^{it}) = \beta(t) - t - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

for the conformal parametrization and

$$\log \psi'_0(w) = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{it} + w}{e^{it} - w} \left( \beta(t) - t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) dt, \quad w \in D. \tag{2}$$

It follows from (2) that

$$\psi''_0(w) = \frac{i\psi'_0(w)}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{it}}{(e^{it} - w)^2} \left( \beta(t) - t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) dt, \quad w \in D,$$

and also

$$\psi''_0(w) = -\frac{\psi'_0(w)}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \beta(t) - t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) d_t \left( \frac{1}{e^{it} - w} \right), \quad w \in D. \tag{3}$$

Since the function

$$\left( \beta(t) - t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \frac{1}{e^{it} - w}$$

is periodic, an integration by parts gives

$$\psi''_0(w) = \frac{\psi'_0(w)}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d(\beta(t) - t - \frac{\pi}{2})}{e^{it} - w}, \quad w \in D. \tag{4}$$

Denoting

$$M_p(r, \psi''_0) := \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |\psi''_0(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right)^{1/p}$$

from (4) we have

$$M_p^p(r, \psi''_0) = \frac{1}{\pi^p} \int_0^{2\pi} |\psi'_0(re^{i\theta}) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d(\beta(t) - t - \pi/2)}{e^{it} - re^{i\theta}}|^p d\theta$$

and applying Hölder’s inequality we find

$$M_p^p(r, \psi''_0) \leq \frac{1}{\pi^p} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |\psi'_0(re^{i\theta})|^{pp_0} d\theta \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d(\beta(t) - t - \pi/2)}{e^{it} - re^{i\theta}} \right|^{pq_0} d\theta \right)^{1/q_0},$$

where  $1/p_0 + 1/q_0 = 1$ . Since  $L$  is smooth the first integral is finite and hence

$$M_p^p(r, \psi''_0) \leq c_1 \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d(\beta(t) - t - \pi/2)}{e^{it} - re^{i\theta}} \right|^{pq_0} d\theta \right)^{1/q_0}$$

or

$$M_p(r, \psi''_0) \leq c_2 \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d(\beta(t) - t - \pi/2)}{e^{it} - re^{i\theta}} \right|^{pq_0} d\theta \right)^{1/(pq_0)}.$$

Applying Minkowski’s inequality to the right side we obtain that

$$M_p(r, \psi''_0) \leq c_2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{|e^{it} - re^{i\theta}|^{pq_0}} \right)^{1/(pq_0)} |d(\beta(t) - t - \pi/2)|. \tag{5}$$

Take into account the inequality

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{|e^{it} - re^{i\theta}|^{pq_0}} \leq \frac{c_3}{(1-r)^{pq_0-1}},$$

which can be verified easily, from relation (5) we get

$$M_p(r, \psi''_0) \leq \frac{c_4}{(1-r)^{\frac{pq_0-1}{pq_0}}} \int_0^{2\pi} |d(\beta(t) - t - \pi/2)|.$$

Since  $G$  is a domain of bounded boundary rotation, the function  $\beta(t) - t - \pi/2$  has bounded variation. This property implies that the last integral is also finite and then

$$M_p(r, \psi''_0) \leq \frac{c_5}{(1-r)^{1-\frac{1}{pq_0}}}.$$

Choosing the number  $q_0 > 1$  sufficiently close to 1 we have

$$M_p(r, \psi''_0) \leq \frac{c_5}{(1-r)^{1-\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}}},$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Now applying the well-known Hardy–Littlewood theorem (see for example [6, p. 78]) from the last inequality we deduce that  $\psi'_0(e^{it}) \in \Lambda_{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}}^p$ .

**Remark 1.** Note that for the smooth domains the statement of Theorem in general is false.

Indeed, consider the function

$$\psi(w) = 6w + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{w^{2k+1}}{k^2(2^k + 1)}, \quad w \in D.$$

Then

$$\psi'(w) = 6 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{w^{2k}}{k^2}.$$

Hence

$$\operatorname{Re} \psi'(w) \geq 6 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} > 1 \quad \text{for } w \in D.$$

Thus  $\psi$  is univalent. Furthermore,  $\psi'$  is continuous in  $\bar{D}$  and  $\psi'(w) \neq 0$ . It follows that the image domain is smoothly bounded.

Now take  $p = 2$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} A &:= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\psi'(e^{it+ih}) - \psi'(e^{it})|^2 dt \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4} |e^{i2kh} - 1|^2 = 4 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4} \sin^2(2^{k-1}h). \end{aligned}$$

We choose  $h = \pi/2^m$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then

$$A \geq \frac{4}{m^4},$$

which is not  $O(h^\alpha) = O(\frac{1}{2^{m\alpha}})$  for any  $\alpha > 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $G$  be a domain with a smooth boundary  $L$ , and let  $p > 1$ . Then

$$\|\varphi'_0 - S_n(\varphi'_0, \cdot)\|_{L^p(L)} \leq c\omega_{p+\varepsilon}(\Phi, 1/n),$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , where

$$S_n(\varphi'_0, z) := \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0)F_k(z), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

are the  $n$ th partial sums of the Faber series of  $\varphi'_0$ .

**Proof.** As we showed after definition 2,  $\Phi \in L^p(T)$  for every  $p \geq 1$ . Let us consider the functions  $\Phi^+$  and  $\Phi^-$  defined by

$$\Phi^+(w) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau)}{\tau - w} d\tau, \quad w \in D$$

and

$$\Phi^-(w) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau)}{\tau - w} d\tau, \quad w \in D^-.$$

Since  $\varphi'_0 \in E^p(G)$  for every  $p \geq 1$ , we can associate a formal Faber series

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k(\varphi'_0)F_k(z),$$

with the function  $\varphi_0$ , i.e.,

$$\varphi'_0(z) \sim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k(\varphi'_0)F_k(z),$$

where

$$a_k(\varphi'_0) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau)}{\tau^{k+1}} d\tau, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \tag{6}$$

are the Faber coefficients of  $\varphi'_0$ .

By well-known Privalov's Lemma  $\Phi = \Phi^+ - \Phi^-$  a.e. on  $T$ . Moreover,  $\Phi^+ \in E^p(D)$ ,  $\Phi^- \in E^p(D^-)$  and  $\Phi^-(\infty) = 0$ . Then from (6) we find

$$a_k(\varphi'_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau)}{\tau^{k+1}} d\tau = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi^+(\tau) - \Phi^-(\tau)}{\tau^{k+1}} d\tau = a_k(\Phi^+).$$

Namely, the  $k$ th Faber coefficient of  $\varphi'_0 \in E^p(G)$  is the  $k$ th-Taylor's coefficient of  $\Phi^+ \in E^p(D)$  at the origin. On the other hand, the relation  $\varphi'_0 \in E^p(G)$  implies

$$\int_L \frac{\varphi'_0(\zeta)}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta = 0, \quad z' \in G^-,$$

and considering the relation  $\Phi = \Phi^+ - \Phi^-$  which holds a.e. on  $T$  we have the equality

$$\varphi'_0(\zeta) = \Phi^+(\varphi(\zeta)) - \Phi^-(\varphi(\zeta)) \tag{7}$$

a.e. on  $L$ .



Let us take a  $z' \in G^-$ . Since  $\varphi'_0 \in E^p(G)$  for  $p \geq 1$ , using the well-known integral representation for the Faber polynomials  $F_k(z)$ ,

$$F_k(z') = \varphi^k(z') + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\varphi^k(\zeta)}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta,$$

and (7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(\varphi'_0, z') &= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) F_k(z') \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(z') + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(\zeta)}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\varphi'_0(\zeta)}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(z') + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(\zeta)}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\Phi^+(\varphi(\zeta))}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\Phi^-(\varphi(\zeta))}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to verify that  $\Phi^-(\varphi(\zeta)) \in E^p(G^-)$  for  $p \geq 1$  and  $\Phi^-(\varphi(\infty)) = 0$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{\Phi^-(\varphi(\zeta))}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta = -\Phi^-(\varphi(z'))$$

and we get

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(\varphi'_0, z') &= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(z') \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{[\sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(\zeta) - \Phi^+(\varphi(\zeta))]}{\zeta - z'} d\zeta - \Phi^-(\varphi(z')). \end{aligned}$$

Taking limit as  $z' \rightarrow z$  along all nontangential paths outside of  $L$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(\varphi'_0, z) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k(z) - \Phi^+(\varphi(z)) \right] \\ &\quad + [\Phi^+(\varphi(z)) - \Phi^-(\varphi(z))] + S_L \left( \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0) \varphi^k - \Phi^+ \circ \varphi \right) (z) \end{aligned}$$

holds a.e. on  $L$ . Further, taking relation (7) into account and applying the boundedness of the singular operator from  $L^p(L)$ ,  $p > 1$ , into itself and Hölder's

inequality, respectively, from the last equality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi'_0 - S_n(\varphi'_0, \cdot)\|_{L^p(L)} &\leq c_6 \left\| \Phi^+(\varphi(z)) - \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0)\varphi^k(z) \right\|_{L^p(L)} \\ &\leq c_6 \left\| \Phi^+(w) - \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\varphi'_0)w^k \right\|_{L^p(T, |\psi'|)} \\ &\leq c_7 \left\| \Phi^+(w) - \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\Phi^+)w^k \right\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)}, \end{aligned}$$

for every  $p_0 > 1$ . Now applying the appropriate result from  $L^p$  approximation (see for example [5, Theorem 2.3, formula (2.11), p. 205] due to Stechkin) we get

$$\left\| \Phi^+(w) - \sum_{k=0}^n a_k(\Phi^+)w^k \right\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)} \leq c\omega_{pp_0}(\Phi^+, 1/n),$$

where

$$\omega_{pp_0}(\Phi^+, 1/n) = \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \|\Phi^+(we^{ih}) - \Phi^+(w)\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)},$$

and find that

$$\|\varphi'_0 - S_n(\varphi'_0, \cdot)\|_{L^p(L)} \leq c_8\omega_{pp_0}(\Phi^+, 1/n). \tag{8}$$

Since

$$\Phi^+ = \frac{1}{2}\Phi + S_T(\Phi),$$

a.e. on  $T$ , from the last two inequality we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{pp_0}(\Phi^+, 1/n) &\leq \frac{1}{2} \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \|\Phi(we^{ih}) - \Phi(w)\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)} \\ &\quad + \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \|S_T(\Phi)(we^{ih}) - S_T(\Phi)(w)\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)}. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

On the other hand, since

$$S_T(\Phi)(w) := (P.V) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau)}{\tau - w} d\tau, \quad |w| = 1,$$

and therefore

$$S_T(\Phi)(we^{ih}) := (P.V) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau e^{ih})}{\tau - w} d\tau, \quad |w| = 1,$$

we have

$$S_T(\Phi)(we^{ih}) - S_T(\Phi)(w) = (P.V) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\Phi(\tau e^{ih}) - \Phi(\tau)}{\tau - w} d\tau, \quad |w| = 1.$$

Now applying the boundedness of the singular operator from  $L^p(T), p > 1$ , into itself we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \|S_T(\Phi)(we^{ih}) - S_T(\Phi)(w)\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)} &\leq c_9 \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \|\Phi(we^{ih}) - \Phi(w)\|_{L^{pp_0}(T)} \\ &= c_9 \omega_{pp_0}\left(\Phi, \frac{1}{n}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Then from (8) to (10) we derive the inequality

$$\|\varphi'_0 - S_n(\varphi'_0, \cdot)\|_{L^p(L)} \leq c\omega_{pp_0}(\Phi, 1/n).$$

Choosing the number  $p_0 > 1$  sufficiently close to 1 we finally from here have

$$\|\varphi'_0 - S_n(\varphi'_0, \cdot)\|_{L^p(L)} \leq c\omega_{p+\varepsilon}(\Phi, 1/n). \quad \square$$

**Lemma 1.** *If  $p > 1$  and  $G$  is a smooth domain of bounded boundary rotation, then*

$$\omega_p(\Phi, 1/n) \leq \frac{c}{n^{p-\varepsilon}}$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

**Proof.** In fact, by Hölder’s inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi(we^{ih}) - \Phi(w)\|_{L^p(T)} &= \left(\int_T |\varphi'_0[\psi(we^{ih})] - \varphi'_0[\psi(w)]|^p |dw|\right)^{1/p} \\ &= \left(\int_T \left| \frac{1}{\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))]} - \frac{1}{\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]} \right|^p |dw|\right)^{1/p} \\ &= \left(\int_T \left| \frac{\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))] - \psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]}{\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))]\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]} \right|^p |dw|\right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \left(\int_T |\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))] - \psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]|^{pp_0} |dw|\right)^{1/(pp_0)} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_T \frac{|dw|}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))]\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]|^{pq_0}}\right)^{1/(pq_0)} \\ &= A_1 B_1, \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

where  $1/p_0 + 1/q_0 = 1$ . Later if  $1/p_1 + 1/q_1 = 1$ , then applying again Hölder’s inequality we get

$$B_1 := \left(\int_T \frac{1}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))] \cdot \psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]|^{pq_0}} |dw|\right)^{1/(pq_0)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \left( \int_T \frac{1}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]|^{pq_0p_1}} |dw| \right)^{1/(pq_0p_1)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_T \frac{1}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))]|^{pq_0q_1}} |dw| \right)^{1/(pq_0q_1)} =: B_{11}B_{12} \end{aligned}$$

If  $1/p_2 + 1/q_2 = 1$ , then by Hölder’s inequality

$$\begin{aligned} B_{11} &:= \left( \int_T \frac{1}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]|^{pq_0p_1}} |dw| \right)^{1/(pq_0p_1)} \\ &= \left( \int_L \frac{|\varphi'(z)|}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(z)]|^{pq_0p_1}} |dz| \right)^{1/(pq_0p_1)} \leq \left( \int_L |\varphi'(z)|^{p_2} |dz| \right)^{1/(pq_0p_1p_2)} \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_L \frac{1}{|\psi'_0[\varphi_0(z)]|^{pq_0p_1q_2}} |dz| \right)^{1/(pq_0p_1q_2)} \\ &\leq c_{10} \left( \int_L |\varphi'_0(z)|^{pq_0p_1q_2} |dz| \right)^{1/(pq_0p_1q_2)} < \infty, \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

because

$$\varphi'_0, \varphi' \in L^p(L)$$

for every  $p > 1$  [20]. The finiteness of  $B_{12}$  may be proved similarly. Finally, from (11) and (12) we conclude that

$$\|\Phi(we^{ih}) - \Phi(w)\|_{L^p(T)} \leq c_{11}A_1.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_p(\Phi, 1/n) &= \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \|\Phi(we^{ih}) - \Phi(w)\|_{L^p(T)} \\ &\leq c_{11} \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} \left( \int_T |\psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih}))] - \psi'_0[\varphi_0(\psi(w))]|^{pp_0} |dw| \right)^{1/(pp_0)}, \end{aligned}$$

and by virtue of Theorem 2 we have

$$\omega_p(\Phi, 1/n) \leq c_{12} \sup_{|h| \leq 1/n} |\varphi_0(\psi(we^{ih})) - \varphi_0(\psi(w))|^{\frac{1}{pp_0} - \varepsilon}.$$

Since for a smooth boundary  $L$ , the mapping functions  $\varphi_0$  and  $\psi$  belong to the Hölder class on  $L$  and on  $T$ , respectively, with exponent  $1 - \varepsilon$ , for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , from the last inequality we derive

$$\omega_p(\Phi, 1/n) \leq \frac{c}{n^{\frac{1}{pp_0} - \varepsilon}}.$$

Choosing here the number  $p_0 > 1$  sufficiently close to 1 we get

$$\omega_p(\Phi, 1/n) \leq \frac{c}{n^p},$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .  $\square$

**3. Proof of main result**

For the mapping  $\varphi_0$  and a weight function  $\omega$  we set

$$\varepsilon_n(\varphi'_0)_2 := \inf_{p_n} \|\varphi'_0 - p_n\|_{L_2(G)}, \quad E_n^\circ(\varphi'_0)_2 := \inf_{p_n} \|\varphi'_0 - p_n\|_{L^2(L)},$$

$$E_n^\circ(\varphi'_0, \omega)_2 := \inf_{p_n} \|\varphi'_0 - p_n\|_{L^2(L, \omega)},$$

where  $\inf$  is taken over all polynomials  $p_n$  of degree at most  $n$ .

Developing the idea used in [14] we apply a traditional method based on the extremal property of Bieberbach polynomials and also the inequality connecting the values  $\varepsilon_n(\varphi'_0)_2$  and  $E_n^\circ(\varphi'_0, \omega)_2$  established in [7].

**Proof of Theorem 1.** Since  $G$  is a smooth domain the functions  $|\varphi'_0|$  and  $1/|\varphi'|$  belong to  $L^p(L)$  for every  $p > 1$  by Warschawski and Schober [20, Theorem 3]. Hölder’s inequality then gives  $\varphi'_0 \in L^2(L, 1/|\varphi'|)$ . Hence by definition we have  $\varphi'_0 \in E^2(G, 1/|\varphi'|)$ . On the other hand by Israfilov [14, Lemma 12],  $1/|\varphi'| \in A_p(L)$  for every  $p > 1$ . Result [7, Theorem 11, Remark (ii)] now implies that, for  $\varphi'_0, \omega := 1/|\varphi'|$  and  $p = 2$ ,

$$\varepsilon_n(\varphi'_0)_2 \leq c_{13} n^{-\frac{1}{2}} E_n^\circ\left(\varphi'_0, \frac{1}{|\varphi'|}\right)_2. \tag{13}$$

For the polynomials  $q_n(z)$ , best approximating  $\varphi'_0$  in the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{L_2(G)}$ , we set

$$Q_n(z) := \int_{z_0}^z q_n(t) dt, \quad t_n(z) := Q_n(z) + [1 - q_n(z_0)](z - z_0).$$

Then  $t_n(z_0) = 0, t'_n(z_0) = 1$  and from (13) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\varphi'_0 - t'_n\|_{L_2(G)} \\ &= \|\varphi'_0 - q_n - 1 + q_n(z_0)\|_{L_2(G)} \leq \varepsilon_n(\varphi'_0)_2 + \|1 - q_n(z_0)\|_{L_2(G)} \\ &\leq c_{13} n^{-\frac{1}{2}} E_n^\circ\left(\varphi'_0, \frac{1}{|\varphi'|}\right)_2 + \|\varphi'_0(z_0) - q_n(z_0)\|_{L_2(G)}. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

On the other hand, by the inequality

$$|f(z_0)| \leq \frac{\|f\|_{L_2(G)}}{\text{dist}(z_0, L)},$$

which holds for every analytic function  $f$  with  $\|f\|_{L_2(G)} < \infty$ , from (14) and (13), we get

$$\|\varphi'_0 - t'_n\|_{L_2(G)} \leq c_{13} n^{-\frac{1}{2}} E_n^\circ\left(\varphi'_0, \frac{1}{|\varphi'|}\right)_2 + \frac{\varepsilon_n(\varphi'_0)_2}{\text{dist}(z_0, L)} \leq c_{14} n^{-\frac{1}{2}} E_n^\circ\left(\varphi'_0, \frac{1}{|\varphi'|}\right)_2.$$

According to the extremal property of the polynomials  $\pi_n$  we have

$$\|\varphi'_0 - \pi'_n\|_{L_2(G)} \leq c_{15} n^{-\frac{1}{2}} E_n^\circ\left(\varphi'_0, \frac{1}{|\varphi'|}\right)_2. \tag{15}$$

Further applying Andrievskii’s [2] polynomial lemma (see also [8], for a simpler proof and more general result),

$$\|p_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq c(\ln n)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|p'_n\|_{L_2(G)},$$

which holds for every polynomial  $p_n$  of degree  $\leq n$  with  $p_n(z_0) = 0$ , and using the familiar method of Simonenko [18] and Andrievskii [2] (described in detail in [9]), from (15) we get

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq c_{16} \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} E_n^\circ \left(\varphi'_0, \frac{1}{|\varphi'|}\right)_2,$$

and later by Hölder’s inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} &\leq c_{16} \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \inf_{p_n} \|\varphi'_0 - p_n\|_{L^2(L, 1/|\varphi'|)} \\ &\leq c_{16} \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|\varphi'_0 - S_n\|_{L^2(L, 1/|\varphi'|)} \\ &\leq c_{16} \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|\varphi'_0 - S_n\|_{L^{2p_0}(L)} \|1/|\varphi'|\|_{L^{q_0}(L)}^{1/2} \\ &\leq c_{17} \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|\varphi'_0 - S_n\|_{L^{2p_0}(L)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $1/p_0 + 1/q_0 = 1$ .

Then by virtue of Theorem 3 (in the case of  $p := 2p_0$ ) we have

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq c_{17} \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \omega_{2p_0+\varepsilon}(\Phi, 1/n), \quad n \geq 2$$

for every  $p_0 > 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Now applying Lemma 1 (in the case of  $p := 2p_0$ ) and choosing the number  $p_0$  sufficiently close to 1 we get

$$\|\varphi_0 - \pi_n\|_{\bar{G}} \leq c \left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{n^{2-\varepsilon}} \leq \frac{c}{n^{1-\varepsilon}}. \quad \square$$

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