

Properties and applications of the zeros of classical continuous orthogonal polynomials

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The zeros of the Tchebyshev polynomials of the first kind

We consider the Tchebyshev polynomials of the first kind defined by

$$T_n(x) = \cos(n \arccos x).$$

It was shown that

- The sequence $\{T_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ is orthogonal on $(-1, 1)$ with respect to the weight function $w(x) = 1 - x^2$.



$$x_{n,k} = \cos \frac{2(n-k) - 1}{2n} \pi, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

are the zeros of $T_n(x)$ such that

$$-1 < x_{n,0} < x_{n,1} < \dots < x_{n,n-2} < x_{n,n-1} < 1.$$

That means $T_n(x)$ has exactly n simple zeros in the interval $(-1, 1)$ of orthogonality.

$p_n(x)$ has exactly n simple zeros in (a, b)

Theorem

If $\{p_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of polynomials orthogonal on (a, b) , with respect to the weight function $w(x)$, then the polynomial $p_n(x)$ has exactly n simple zeros in (a, b) .

Proof

Since $\deg(p_n(x)) = n$ the polynomial p_n has at most n real zeros. Suppose that $p_n(x)$ has $m \leq n$ distinct real zeros x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m in (a, b) of odd order (or multiplicity). We want to show that $m = n$. We consider the polynomial

$$p_n(x)q_m(x), \text{ with } q_m(x) = (x - x_1)(x - x_2) \cdots (x - x_m).$$

The zeros of $p_n(x)q_m(x)$ are of even order, therefore $p_n(x)q_m(x)$ does not change sign in (a, b) and then

$$\int_a^b w(x)p_n(x)q_m(x)dx \neq 0.$$

Since $\{p_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of orthogonal polynomials, this integral equals zero if $m < n$. Hence $m = n$, which implies that $p_n(x)$ has n distinct real zeros of odd order in (a, b) . This proves that all n zeros are distinct and simple.

The zeros of $p_n(x)$ and $p_{n+1}(x)$ separate each other

The zeros of $T_n(x)$ are

$$x_{n,k} = \cos \frac{2(n-k) - 1}{2n} \pi.$$

Can $T_n(x)$ and $T_{n+1}(x)$ have a common zero?

Theorem

If $\{p_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of orthogonal polynomials on the interval (a, b) with respect to the weight function $w(x)$, then the zeros of $p_n(x)$ and $p_{n+1}(x)$ separate each other.

Proof

Without loss of generality, we suppose $\{p_n\}_n$ is a monic sequence since $p_n = k_n x^n + \dots$ and $\frac{1}{k_n} p_n = x^n + \dots$ have the same zeros.

We substitute x , respectively, by $x_{n+1,k}$ and $x_{n+1,k+1}$ in the confluent form of the Darboux-Christoffel formula

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{p_k(x)^2}{h_k} = \frac{1}{h_n} \left(p'_{n+1}(x) p_n(x) - p_{n+1}(x) p'_n(x) \right)$$

to get

$$p'_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k}) p_n(x_{n+1,k}) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad p'_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k+1}) p_n(x_{n+1,k+1}) > 0.$$

Recall: (**Rolle's theorem**) If f is a continuous and differentiable function on $[a, b]$ such that $f(a) = f(b)$, there exists $x_0 \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(x_0) = 0$.

Proof

p_{n+1} is continuous, $p_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k}) = p_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k+1}) = 0$ and from Rolle's theorem, p'_{n+1} has exactly one zero in $(x_{n+1,k}, x_{n+1,k+1})$ (since the zeros of p_{n+1} are simple). It follows that $p'_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k})$ and $p'_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k+1})$ have opposite signs. From

$$p'_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k})p_n(x_{n+1,k}) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad p'_{n+1}(x_{n+1,k+1})p_n(x_{n+1,k+1}) > 0,$$

we deduce that $p_n(x_{n+1,k})$ and $p_n(x_{n+1,k+1})$ also have opposite signs. Since p_n is continuous, p_n has at least one zero in $(x_{n+1,k}, x_{n+1,k+1})$. This zero is $x_{n,k}$ since we have n intervals of type $(x_{n+1,k}, x_{n+1,k+1})$. Conclusion,

$$a < x_{n+1,1} < x_{n,1} < x_{n+1,2} < x_{n,2} < \cdots < x_{n+1,n} < x_{n,n} < x_{n+1,n+1} < b.$$

Example of the Jacobi polynomials

Consider the Jacobi polynomials:

$$P_n^{\alpha, \beta}(x) = \frac{(\alpha + 1)_n}{n!} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, n + \alpha + \beta + 1 \\ \alpha + 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{1 - x}{2} \right).$$

For $\alpha, \beta > -1$, they are orthogonal with respect to the weight function $w(x) = (1 - x)^\alpha (1 + x)^\beta$ on the interval $(-1, 1)$.

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Lagrange interpolation

The Gauss quadrature formula is of use for the approximation of integrals $\int_a^b f(x)w(x)dx$ in numerical analysis. In this section, we show how to use zeros of orthogonal polynomials in the computation of integrals.

If f is a continuous function in (a, b) and $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ are n distinct points in (a, b) , then there exists exactly one polynomial L , with $\deg(L) \leq n - 1$ such that $L(x_j) = f(x_j)$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. This polynomial L can easily be found by using Lagrange interpolation. Define

$$p(x) = (x - x_1)(x - x_2) \cdots (x - x_n)$$

and consider the Lagrange interpolation polynomial

$$L(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \frac{p(x)}{(x - x_k)p'(x_k)} = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \prod_{i=1, i \neq k}^n \frac{(x - x_i)}{(x_k - x_i)}.$$

f is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$

Let $\{p_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of polynomials orthogonal on (a, b) , with respect to the weight function $w(x)$, with n distinct real zeros $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$. If f is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$, then $f(x) - L(x)$ is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$ with at least the zeros $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$. Now define

$$f(x) = L(x) + r(x)p_n(x),$$

where $r(x)$ is a polynomial of degree $\leq n - 1$. This can also be written as

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \frac{p_n(x)}{(x - x_k)p'_n(x_k)} + r(x)p_n(x).$$

This implies that

$$\int_a^b f(x)w(x)dx = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \int_a^b \frac{p_n(x)}{(x - x_k)p'_n(x_k)} w(x)dx + \int_a^b p_n(x)r(x)w(x)dx$$

f is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$

Since $\deg(r(x)) \leq n - 1$, the latter integral equals zero, due to orthogonality. We thus have

$$\int_a^b f(x)w(x)dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{n,k}f(x_k)$$

with

$$\lambda_{n,k} := \int_a^b \frac{p_n(x)}{(x - x_k)p'_n(x_k)} w(x)dx, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

This is the **Gauss quadrature formula** which gives the value of the integral in the case that f is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$ if the values of $f(x_k)$ is known for the n zeros $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ of the polynomial p_n .

f is not a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$

If f is not a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 1$, this leads to an approximation of the integral

$$\int_a^b f(x)w(x)dx \approx \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{n,k}f(x_k)$$

with

$$\lambda_{n,k} := \int_a^b \frac{p_n(x)}{(x - x_k)p'_n(x_k)} w(x)dx, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

The coefficients $\{\lambda_{n,k}\}_{k=1}^n$ are called the Christoffel numbers. One can show that

$$\lambda_{n,k} = -\frac{k_{n+1}}{k_n} \frac{h_n}{p_{n+1}(x_{n,k})p'_n(x_{n,k})},$$

where k_n is the leading coefficient of p_n .

The Christoffel numbers are all positive

The Christoffel numbers are all positive. This can be shown as follows. We have

$$\lambda_{n,k} = \int_a^b l_{n,k}(x)w(x)dx, \text{ with } l_{n,k} = \frac{p_n(x)}{(x-x_k)p'_n(x_k)}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Then $l_{n,k}^2 - l_{n,k}$ is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2n - 2$, which vanishes at the zeros of p_n , namely $x_{n,1}, x_{n,2}, \dots, x_{n,n}$. We can write

$$l_{n,k}(x)^2 - l_{n,k}(x) = p_n(x)q(x),$$

where $q(x)$ is a polynomial of degree $\leq n - 2$. Then

$$\int_a^b (l_{n,k}(x)^2 - l_{n,k}(x))w(x)dx = \int_a^b p_n(x)q(x)w(x)dx = 0,$$

since $\deg(q(x)) \leq n - 2$, consequently

$$\lambda_{n,k} = \int_a^b l_{n,k}(x)w(x)dx = \int_a^b l_{n,k}(x)^2w(x)dx > 0.$$

Exercise

Consider

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x+3} = \int_a^b f(x)w(x)dx,$$

where $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$, $a = -1$, $b = 1$, $w(x) = 1$. We want to use the zeros of the second degree Legendre polynomial

$$L_n(x) = {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, n+1 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{1-x}{2} \right),$$

orthogonal with respect to $w(x) = 1$ on $[-1, 1]$, i.e.,

$$L_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(-1 + 3x^2),$$

to estimate this integral.

Solution

The zeros of $L_2(x)$ are $x_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $x_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$.

We have

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x+3} \approx \lambda_{2,1}f(x_1) + \lambda_{2,2}f(x_2) = \frac{\lambda_{2,1}}{x_1+3} + \frac{\lambda_{2,2}}{x_2+3},$$

where

$$\lambda_{2,k} = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{L_2(x)}{(x-x_k)L_2'(x_k)} w(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\frac{1}{2}(-1+3x^2)}{(x-x_k)3x_k} dx, k=1,2,$$

i.e., $\lambda_{2,1} = \lambda_{2,2} = 1$ and

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x+3} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}+3\right)} + \frac{1}{\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}+3\right)} = 0.69231.$$

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Exercise

The Chebyshev polynomials of the second kind defined by

$$U_n(x) = \frac{\sin(n+1)\theta}{\sin\theta}, \quad x = \cos\theta, \quad 0 < \theta < \pi.$$

For this family,

$$k_n = 2^n, \quad h_n = \int_{-1}^1 U_n(x)U_n(x)(1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

and the zeros of U_n in increasing order are

$x_{n,k} = \cos\theta_{n,k} = \cos\frac{n-k+1}{n+1}\pi$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. We want to show that

$$\int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x^2}x^4 dx = \frac{\pi}{16}.$$

Exercise

We show using

$$\lambda_{n,k} = -\frac{k_{n+1}}{k_n} \frac{h_n}{p_{n+1}(x_{n,k})p'_n(x_{n,k})},$$

that $\lambda_{n,k} = \frac{\pi \sin^2 \theta_{n,k}}{n+1}$.

- 1 Show that in the case of this integral, $n = 3$.
- 2 Compute the zeros of $U_3(x)$ and show that

$$\lambda_{3,1} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \lambda_{3,2} = \frac{1}{4} \pi, \quad \lambda_{3,3} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

- 3 Deduce that

$$\int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} x^4 dx = \frac{\pi}{16}.$$

Hermite interpolating polynomial

Consider $n + 1$ distinct real numbers $\{z_{n,i}\}_{i=0}^n$ and let $f \in \mathcal{C}^1[-1, 1]$, then there exists a unique polynomial $Q_{2n+1}(f; z)$ of degree at most $2n + 1$ such that

$$\begin{cases} Q_{2n+1}(f; z_{n,i}) = f(z_{n,i}), & i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \\ Q'_{2n+1}(f; z_{n,i}) = f'(z_{n,i}), & i = 0, 1, \dots, n. \end{cases}$$

The polynomial $Q_{2n+1}(f; z)$ is called the Hermite interpolating polynomial for f .

There exists a basis $\{A_{n,i}(z), B_{n,i}(z), i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$
 $(A_{n,i}(z), B_{n,i}(z) \in \mathbb{R}_{2n+1}[z]$, for each $i = 0, 1, \dots, n)$ such that

$$Q_{2n+1}(f; z) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(z_{n,i})A_{n,i}(z) + \sum_{i=0}^n f'(z_{n,i})B_{n,i}(z).$$

Hermite interpolating polynomial

For $f(z) = 1$, $z \in [-1, 1]$,

$$1 = Q_{2n+1}(f; z) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(z_{n,i}) A_{n,i}(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n A_{n,i}(z),$$

that is

$$\sum_{i=0}^n A_{n,i}(z) = 1.$$

Looking for necessary conditions on $A_{n,i}(z)$ and $B_{n,i}(z)$ for the condition

$$\begin{cases} Q_{2n+1}(f; z_{n,i}) = f(z_{n,i}), & i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \\ Q'_{2n+1}(f; z_{n,i}) = f'(z_{n,i}), & i = 0, 1, \dots, n. \end{cases}$$

to be satisfied, we get

$$\begin{cases} A_{n,i}(z_{n,j}) = \delta_{ij} \text{ and } B_{n,i}(z_{n,j}) = 0, & i, j = 0, 1, \dots, n \\ A'_{n,i}(z_{n,j}) = 0 \text{ and } B'_i(z_{n,j}) = \delta_{ij}, & i, j = 0, 1, \dots, n. \end{cases}$$

Hermite interpolating polynomial

Let $\{l_{n,i}(z), i = 0, 1, \dots, n\}$ be the Lagrange basis polynomials in $\mathbb{R}_n[z]$ (the set of polynomials of degree at most n with real coefficients) defined by

$$l_{n,k}(z) = \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq k}}^n \left(\frac{z - z_{n,i}}{z_{n,k} - z_{n,i}} \right), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

then the Hermite basis polynomials $\{A_{n,i}(z), B_{n,i}(z), i = 0, 1, \dots, n\}$ in $\mathbb{R}_{2n+1}[z]$ are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{n,i}(z) &= (1 - 2(z - z_{n,i})l'_{n,i}(z_{n,i}))l_{n,i}^2(z), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \\ B_{n,i}(z) &= (z - z_{n,i})l_{n,i}^2(z), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

This means that the Hermite interpolation polynomials are given in terms of the Lagrange basis polynomials as

$$Q_{2n+1}(f; z) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(z_{n,i}) \left(1 - 2(z - z_{n,i})l'_{n,i}(z_{n,i}) \right) l_{n,i}^2(z) + \sum_{i=0}^n f'(z_{n,i}) (z - z_{n,i}) l_{n,i}^2(z)$$

Newton polynomial

We can show by direct calculus that for the Newton polynomial

$$N_k(z) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 0 \\ (z - z_{n+1,0})(z - z_{n+1,1}) \cdots (z - z_{n+1,k-1}), & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq n+1, \end{cases}$$

we have

$$l_{n,i}(z) = \frac{N_{n+1}(z)}{(z - z_{n+1,i})N'_{n+1}(z_{n+1,i})} \quad \text{and} \quad 2l'_{n,i}(z_{n+1,i}) = \frac{N''_{n+1}(z_{n+1,i})}{N'_{n+1}(z_{n+1,i})}.$$

Let $0 < \theta < \pi$, set $z = \cos \theta$ and define for $n = 0, 1, \dots$

$$T_n(z) = \cos(n\theta).$$

The roots $z_{n,k}$ of $T_n(z)$ in increasing order are given by

$$z_{n,k} = \cos \theta_{n,k}, \quad \text{with } \theta_{n,k} = \frac{(2(n-k) - 1)\pi}{2n}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

Main result

For this polynomial family, we have

$$A_{1,n,i}(z) = (1 - zz_{n+1,i}) \left(\frac{T_{n+1}(z)}{(n+1)(z - z_{n+1,i})} \right)^2.$$

Let us now state and prove the interpolation and approximation result for the first kind Chebyshev polynomials.

Theorem

Let $f \in C[-1, 1]$, the Hermite interpolation polynomials $Q_{2n+1}(f; z)$ (at the zeros $z_{n+1,k}$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$, of the Chebyshev polynomials $T_{n+1}(z)$ which satisfies

$$\begin{cases} Q_{2n+1}(f; z_{n+1,i}) = f(z_{n+1,i}), & i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \\ Q'_{2n+1}(f; z_{n+1,i}) = 0, & i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \end{cases}$$

converge uniformly on $[-1, 1]$ to f .

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proof

$z, z_{n+1,i} \in [-1, 1] \Rightarrow zz_{n+1,i} \in [-1, 1]$ and then $1 - zz_{n+1,i} \geq 0$, thus $A_{1,n,i}(z) \geq 0$. From $\sum_{i=0}^n A_{n,i}(z) = 1$, we have $f(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(z)A_{1,n,i}(z)$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ and $z \in [-1, 1]$. We want to show that

$$\exists N_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } \forall n \geq N_\epsilon, |f(z) - Q_{1,2n+1}(f; z)| < \epsilon.$$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z) - Q_{1,2n+1}(f; z)| &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^n (f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})) A_{1,n,i}(z) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^n |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z). \end{aligned}$$

f continuous on $[-1, 1]$ and $[-1, 1]$ is compact implies f is uniformly continuous on $[-1, 1]$. That is

$\exists \delta_\epsilon > 0$ such that $\forall x, y \in [-1, 1], |x - y| < \delta_\epsilon$ implies $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$.

Let $I_{n,\epsilon,z} := \{i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\} : |z - z_{n+1,i}| < \delta_\epsilon\}$ and

$J_{n,\epsilon,z} := \{i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\} : |z - z_{n+1,i}| \geq \delta_\epsilon\}$. Then

$I_{n,\epsilon,z} \cup J_{n,\epsilon,z} = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ and $I_{n,\epsilon,z} \cap J_{n,\epsilon,z} = \emptyset$,



proof

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^n |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) &= \sum_{i \in I_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) \\ &+ \sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z). \end{aligned}$$

If $i \in I_{n,\epsilon,z}$, $|z - z_{n+1,i}| < \delta_\epsilon$ and then $|f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ such that

$$\sum_{i \in I_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \sum_{i \in I_{n,\epsilon,z}} A_{1,n,i}(z) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \sum_{i=0}^n A_{1,n,i}(z) = \frac{\epsilon}{2},$$

where we use respectively the fact that $A_{1,n,i}(z) \geq 0$, $I_{n,\epsilon,z} \subset \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{i=0}^n A_{1,n,i}(z) = 1$.

$f \in \mathcal{C}[-1, 1]$ implies f is bounded. That is, $\exists M > 0$ such that

$|f(z)| < M$, $\forall z \in [-1, 1]$. Therefore

$$|f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| \leq |f(z)| + |f(z_{n+1,i})| \leq 2M.$$

proof

So

$$\sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) \leq 2M \sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} A_{1,n,i}(z).$$

We have

$$i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z} \Rightarrow |z - z_{n+1,i}| \geq \delta_\epsilon \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{|z - z_{n+1,i}|^2} \leq \frac{1}{\delta_\epsilon^2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} |z| \leq 1, |z_{n+1,i}| \leq 1 &\Rightarrow |zz_{n+1,i}| \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow -1 \leq zz_{n+1,i} \leq 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq 1 - zz_{n+1,i} \leq 2 &\Rightarrow 1 - zz_{n+1,i} \leq 2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|T_{n+1}(z)| = |\cos(n+1)\theta| \leq 1.$$

This leads to

$$\sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) \leq 2M \sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} (1 - zz_{n+1,i}) \left(\frac{T_{n+1}(z)}{(n+1)(z - z_{n+1,i})} \right)^2$$

proof

Since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4M}{\delta_\epsilon^2(n+1)} \right) = 0,$$

then for $\frac{\epsilon}{2} > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \exists N_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } \forall n \geq N_\epsilon, \frac{4M}{\delta_\epsilon^2(n+1)} &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) &< \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

In conclusion, we have $\forall n \geq N_\epsilon$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^n |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) &\leq \sum_{i \in I_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{1,n,i}(z) \\ + \sum_{i \in J_{n,\epsilon,z}} |f(z) - f(z_{n+1,i})| A_{n,i}(z) &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $(Q_{1,2n+1}(f; z))_n$ converges uniformly to f on $[-1, 1]$.

Thank for your attention