

# A Geometric approach to Polynomial and Rational Approximation

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Thm: (Runge) Suppose  $K \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  compact,  $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$  connected,  $f$  holomorphic in a nbhd. of  $K$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then  $\exists$  poly.  $p$  s.t.

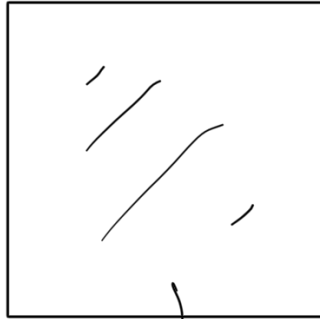
$$\sup_{z \in K} |p(z) - f(z)| < \epsilon.$$

Goal: construct approximations  $p$  with good understanding of  $p$  off  $K$ .

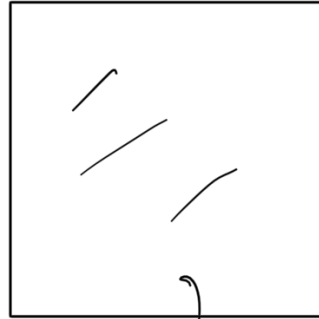
this is not trivial?

e.g.:

$\mathbb{K}$



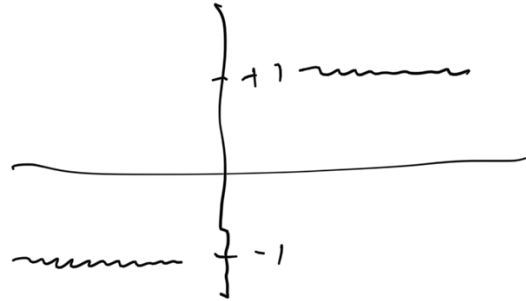
$f_n$   
-1



+1

Runge  $\Rightarrow$

$$|p_n - f_n| < 1/n$$



Our approach to "Runge" is as follows

① approximate  $f: \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  by a  $\leftarrow$  holomorphic proper  $B: \Omega \supseteq \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \Omega' \supseteq f(\mathbb{K})$  ( $\Omega, \Omega'$  open)

② extend  $B: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega'$  quasiregularly to  $B: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , such that  $B$  is "close" to holomorphic i.e. has "small dilatation"

③ Apply Measurable Riemann Mapping Thm. to give quasiconformal  $\Phi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $\mathcal{B} \circ \Phi^{-1}$  is holom. (hence a polynomial) so that

$$\mathcal{B} \circ \Phi^{-1} \simeq \mathcal{B} \simeq \mathcal{F} \text{ on } \mathbb{K}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\Phi(z) \simeq z$$

