

On an Extension of Abel-Gontscharoff's Expansion Formula and Its Application to Multivariate Interpolation

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Abstract

Here presented is constructive generalization of Abel-Gontscharoff's series expansion to higher dimensions. Moreover, a constructive application to a problem of multivariate interpolation is investigated. Another approach of Kergin type multivariate interpolation by using Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomial is also discussed.

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1 Introduction

Throughout we should adopt various notations in the multiple-index system.

(i) Given $\nu \in \mathbb{N}^s$ with $\nu = (\nu_1, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_s)$. We denote

$$|\nu| := \sum_{i=1}^s \nu_i, \quad \nu! := \nu_1! \nu_2! \cdots \nu_s!$$

If $k \in \mathbb{N}^s$ such that $k \leq \nu$ (i.e., $k_i \leq \nu_i$, $1 \leq i \leq s$), then we denote

$$\binom{\nu}{k} := \binom{\nu_1}{k_1} \binom{\nu_2}{k_2} \cdots \binom{\nu_s}{k_s} = \frac{\nu!}{k!(\nu - k)!},$$

where $\nu - k = (\nu_1 - k_1, \nu_2 - k_2, \dots, \nu_s - k_s)$.

(ii) Given $\nu \in \mathbb{N}^s$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^s$ (or \mathbb{C}^s) with $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s)$. We denote

$$x^\nu := x_1^{\nu_1} x_2^{\nu_2} \cdots x_s^{\nu_s}.$$

(iii) Given $x, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^s$ (or \mathbb{C}^s). We denote

$$\partial^\nu f(x) := \frac{\partial^{|\nu|} f(x)}{\partial x_1^{\nu_1} \partial x_2^{\nu_2} \cdots \partial x_s^{\nu_s}}, \quad \partial^\nu f(\alpha) = \partial^\nu f(\alpha) = \partial^\nu f(x)|_{x=\alpha},$$

and if $\nu = \mathbf{0} = (0, \dots, 0)$ we denote $\partial^{\mathbf{0}} f(\alpha) = f(\alpha)$.

(iv) For $k \in \mathbb{N}^s$ we define $\alpha_k \in \mathbb{R}^s$ as a multiple sequence of dimension s , i.e.,

$$\alpha_k = (\alpha_k^{(1)}, \alpha_k^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_k^{(s)}), \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}^s).$$

Also, we write $\infty = (\infty, \dots, \infty)$.

The multivariate Taylor-Maclaurin expansion at $\mathbf{0}$ is given by

$$f(x) = \sum_{\nu \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{\nu!} \partial^\nu f(\mathbf{0}) x^\nu \tag{1.1}$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{|\nu| \leq r} \frac{1}{\nu!} \partial^\nu f(\mathbf{0}) x^\nu + \sum_{|\nu|=r+1} \frac{1}{\nu!} \partial^\nu f(\theta x) x^\nu, \tag{1.2}$$

where $0 < \theta < 1$ and $\theta x = (\theta x_1, \theta x_2, \dots, \theta x_s)$, $r \geq 1$.

For the simple case $s = 1$, let $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in \mathbb{C}$. Given $\beta_k \in \mathbb{C}$. It is known that Gould's algebraic identity takes the form

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} c(k) (x - \beta_k)^{n-k} = x^n, \quad (1.3)$$

in which $c(0) = 1$, and $c(k) \equiv c(k; \beta) \equiv c(k; \beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{k-1})$ is a kind of homogeneous polynomial, called the Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomial, of degree k in $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{k-1}$. For more details about $c(k)$, see Gould [1], Hsu [2], and He-Hsu-Shiue [3].

Let $\Gamma \equiv (\Gamma, +, \cdot)$ be the commutative ring of formal power series over \mathbb{C}^s (or \mathbb{R}^s), and let $\alpha_k \equiv (\alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \alpha_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)})$ ($k \in \mathbb{N}^s$) be a given multiple sequence. Then, what a basic result to be proved in this paper (cf. Section 3) is the following: For any $f \in \Gamma$ we have a formal series expansion of the form

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\partial^k f(d_k)}{k!} C(k; x - \alpha_0, x - \alpha_1, \dots, x - \alpha_{k-1}), \quad (1.4)$$

where $C(k; x - \alpha_0, x - \alpha_1, \dots, x - \alpha_{k-1})$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & C(k; x - \alpha_0, x - \alpha_1, \dots, x - \alpha_{k-1}) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^s c \left(k; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

Evidently, the classical Abel-Gontscharoff series expansion (i.e., Abel-Gontscharoff interpolation series) is a particular case of (1.4) and (1.5) with $s = 1$. Also we shall show that a multivariate polynomial $\Phi_r(x) \equiv \Phi_r(f; x) \in \pi_r^s$ (the set of all polynomials of degree $\leq k$ in s variables) of the form (with $r \geq 1$)

$$\Phi_r(f; x) = \sum_{|k| \leq r} \frac{\partial^k f(\alpha_k)}{k!} C(k; x - \alpha_0, x - \alpha_1, \dots, x - \alpha_{k-1}) \quad (1.6)$$

just solves a general problem for multivariate interpolation. This will be discussed latter in Section 3.

There are still two other types of multivariate generalization of Abel-Gontscharoff interpolation series. One of them has been mentioned briefly in Remark 8 of our paper [3]. The second one has been given

in a recent paper by one of the authors in [4], in which the classic Abel-Gontscharoff interpolation is extended to the multivariate Kergin interpolation by using a differential operator generated from Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomial. A summary of the results will be sketched in Section 4. In the last section, Section 5, we give an algorithm for computing the Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomial defined by (1.5).

2 Lemmas Needed

Lemma 2.1 *(A multivariate form of Gould's identity) Let $x \in \mathbf{C}^s$ and $\nu, k \in \mathbf{N}^s$, and denote $\beta^{(i)} \equiv (\beta_0^{(i)}, \beta_1^{(i)}, \dots, \beta_{k_i-1}^{(i)})$, ($i = 1, 2, \dots$). We have an algebraic identity of the form*

$$x^\nu = \sum_{k \leq \nu} \binom{\nu}{k} \Pi_{i=1}^s c(k_i; \beta^{(i)}) (x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)})^{\nu_i - k_i}. \quad (2.7)$$

Proof. Application of (1.3) to each of the s factors of $x^\nu = x_1^{\nu_1} x_2^{\nu_2} \cdots x_s^{\nu_s}$ yields the result expression (2.7). ■

Lemma 2.2 *Let $\nu \in \mathbf{N}^s$, $x \in \mathbf{C}^s$, and $\alpha_k \equiv (\alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \alpha_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)})$ with $k \in \mathbf{N}^s$. Then we have*

$$\partial^\nu \Pi_{i=1}^s c(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)}) \Big|_{x=\alpha_\nu} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \nu \neq k, \\ k! & \text{if } \nu = k. \end{cases} \quad (2.8)$$

Proof. This follows easily from a repeated application of the equation (2.8) of our paper [3]. Indeed, in accordance with Proposition 2.1 of [3] we see that the left-hand side of (2.8) can be re-written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^{|\nu|}}{\partial x_1^{\nu_1} \partial x_2^{\nu_2} \cdots \partial x_s^{\nu_s}} \Pi_{i=1}^s Q_{k_i}(x_i) \Big|_{x=\alpha_\nu} = \Pi_{i=1}^s Q_{k_i}^{(\nu_i)}(\alpha_{\nu_i}^{(i)}) \\ & = \Pi_{i=1}^s \nu_i! \delta_{\nu_i k_i} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \nu \neq k, \\ k! & \text{if } \nu = k, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

wherein $\delta_{\cdot, \cdot}$ is the Kronecker symbol. ■

3 Main Theorems and Remarks

Theorem 3.1 *Let $\{\alpha_k\}$ be a given s -multiple sequence with $\alpha_k \equiv \left(\alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \alpha_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)}\right) \in \mathbb{C}^s$ (or \mathbb{R}^s) and $k \in bN^s$. Then for any $f \in \Gamma(bC^s)$ we have the formal series expansion formula*

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\partial^k f(\alpha_k)}{k!} \Pi_{i=1}^s c\left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)}\right), \quad (3.9)$$

where $x \in \mathbb{C}^s$ (or \mathbb{R}^s), and $c\left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)}\right)$ are Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomials with degrees $k_i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. For brevity let us denote

$$\beta^{(i)} \equiv \left(\beta_0^{(i)}, \beta_1^{(i)}, \dots, \beta_{k_i-1}^{(i)}\right), \quad C(k; \beta) \equiv \Pi_{i=1}^s c(k_i; \beta^{(i)}).$$

Also we shall make the substitutions $\beta_j^{(i)} = x_i - \beta_j^{(i)}$, ($i, j \in \mathbb{N}$). Then using Lemma 1.1 and the multivariate Taylor expansion, we see that $f(x)$ can be formally expanded as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{\nu \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\partial^\nu f(\mathbf{0})}{\nu!} x^\nu \\ &= \sum_{\nu \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\partial^\nu f(\mathbf{0})}{\nu!} \sum_{k \leq \nu} \binom{\nu}{k} \Pi_{i=1}^s c(k_i; \beta^{(i)}) \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)}\right)^{\nu_i - k_i} \\ &= \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \sum_{\nu \geq k} \frac{\partial^\nu f(\mathbf{0})}{(\nu - k)!} \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)}\right)^{\nu_i - k_i} \end{aligned}$$

By substituting $\mu = \nu - k = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_s)$ into the right-hand side of the last equation we can write it as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \sum_{\mu \geq k} \frac{\partial^{\mu+k} f(\mathbf{0})}{\mu!} \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)}\right)^{\mu_i} \\
&= \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \sum_{\mu \geq k} \frac{1}{\mu!} \partial^\mu (\partial^k f(\mathbf{0})) \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)}\right)^{\mu_i} \\
&= \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \partial^k f \left(x_1 - \beta_{k_1}^{(1)}, x_2 - \beta_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, x_s - \beta_{k_s}^{(s)}\right) \\
&= \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{k!} \partial^k f \left(\alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \alpha_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)}\right) \\
&\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^s c \left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)}\right),
\end{aligned}$$

which is just the right-hand side of Eq. (3.9).

■

For the case $\alpha_k \equiv (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s) \equiv a \in \mathbb{C}^s$, so that $\alpha_j^{(i)} = a_i$, we see that (3.9) implies the multivariate Taylor expansion as a consequence, namely

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\partial^k f(kt)}{k!} \prod_{i=1}^s x_i (x_i - k_i t_i)^{k_i-1}, \quad (3.10)$$

where $k \in \mathbb{N}^s$, $x, t \in \mathbb{C}^s$ and $kt \equiv (k_1 t_1, k_2 t_2, \dots, k_s t_s)$.

Theorem 3.2 *Given $\alpha_k \equiv (\alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \alpha_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)}) \in \mathbb{C}^s$ with $k \in \mathbb{N}^s$, let $f(x) \in \Gamma$ (over \mathbb{C}^s). Then the s -variate Abel-Gontscharoff polynomial of degree r ($r \geq 1$) given by*

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi_r(x) &= \Phi_r(f; x) \\
&= \sum_{|k| \leq r} \frac{\partial^k f(\alpha_k)}{k!} \prod_{i=1}^s c \left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)}\right)
\end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

satisfies the interpolation conditions

$$\begin{cases} \Phi_r(\alpha_0) = f(\alpha_0), & \left(\alpha_0 \equiv (\alpha_0^{(1)}, \alpha_0^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_0^{(s)})\right), \\ \partial^\nu \Phi_r(x)|_{x=\alpha_\nu} = \partial^\nu f(\alpha_\nu), & 1 \leq |\nu| \leq r. \end{cases} \quad (3.12)$$

Proof. In the first place, notice that $c(j; \beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{j-1}) = 0$ for $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $j \geq 1$ and $\beta_0 = 0$. Thus we have

$$\Pi_{i=1}^s c \left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)} \right) \Big|_{x=\alpha_0} = 0, \quad (|k| \geq 1).$$

Moreover, $c(0; \beta) = 1$. So it follows that

$$\Phi_r(\alpha_0) = \Phi_r(f; x)|_{x=\alpha_0} = \partial^0 f(\alpha_0) = f(\alpha_0).$$

Furthermore, for $|\nu| \geq 1$ we have by using Lemma 2.2

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial^\nu \Phi_r(x) \Big|_{x=\alpha_\nu} \\ &= \sum_{|k| \leq r} \frac{\partial^k f(\alpha_k)}{k!} \partial^\nu \Pi_{i=1}^s c \left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)} \right) \Big|_{x=\alpha_\nu} \\ &= \frac{\partial^k f(\alpha_k)}{k!} \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0 & (k \neq \nu) \\ k! & (k = \nu) \end{array} \right\} = \partial^\nu f(\alpha_\nu). \end{aligned}$$

Hence Theorem 3.2 is proved. ■

With the notation given by (1.5) the polynomial defined by (3.11) may be written in a more compact form, namely

$$\Phi_r(f; x) = \sum_{|k| \leq r} \frac{\partial^k f(\alpha_k)}{k!} C(k; x - \alpha_0, x - \alpha_1, \dots, x - \alpha_{k-1}), \quad (3.13)$$

where $x \in \mathbb{C}^s$, $k \in \mathbb{N}^s$, and $\{\alpha_k\}$ is a given sequence with $\alpha_k \in \mathbb{C}^s$. Certainly, $\Phi_r(f; x)$ may be called the s -variate Abel-Gontscharoff interpolation polynomial of degree r .

The difference $\rho_r(f; x) = f(x) - \Phi_r(f; x)$ is called a remainder of the expression (3.9). From the viewpoint of numerical analysis, it may be of interest to find some useful expression for $\rho_r(f; x)$ ($r \geq 1$). In the following, we present an expression of $\rho_r(f; x)$ by using Lemma 2.1.

Theorem 3.3 *Given $\alpha_k \equiv (\alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \alpha_{k_2}^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)}) \in \mathbb{C}^s$ with $k \in \mathbb{N}^s$, let $f(x) \in \Gamma$ (over \mathbb{C}^s). Then the s -variate Abel-Gontscharoff polynomial of degree r ($r \geq 1$) given by (3.11) has remainder*

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_r(f; x) &= \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \frac{\partial^k f \left((1+\theta)x_1 + \alpha_{k_1}^{(1)}, \dots, (1+\theta)x_s + \alpha_{k_s}^{(s)} \right)}{k!} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^s c \left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

where $0 < \theta < 1$ and $\theta x = (\theta x_1, \theta x_2, \dots, \theta x_s)$.

Proof. Comparing Eqs. (1.1)-(1.2) and (3.9)-(3.11) and using Lemma 2.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_r(f; x) &= \sum_{|\nu|=r+1} \frac{1}{\nu!} \partial^\nu f(\theta x) x^\nu \\ &= \sum_{|\nu|=r+1} \frac{1}{\nu!} \partial^\nu f(\theta x) \sum_{k \leq \nu} \binom{\nu}{k} \prod_{i=1}^s c(k_i; \beta^{(i)}) \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)} \right)^{\nu_i - k_i} \\ &= \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \sum_{\nu \geq k} \frac{\partial^\nu f(\theta x)}{(\nu - k)!} \prod_{i=1}^s \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)} \right)^{\nu_i - k_i}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $\mu = \nu - k$ into the right-hand side of the above equation yields

$$\begin{aligned} &\rho_r(f; x) \\ &= \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \sum_{\mu \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\partial^{\mu+k} f(\theta x)}{\mu!} \prod_{i=1}^s \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)} \right)^{\mu_i} \\ &= \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \sum_{\mu \geq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{\mu!} \partial^\mu \left(\partial^k f(\theta x) \right) \prod_{i=1}^s \left(x_i - \beta_{k_i}^{(i)} \right)^{\mu_i} \\ &= \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \frac{C(k; \beta)}{k!} \partial^k \left((1+\theta)x_1 - \beta_{k_1}^{(1)}, \dots, (1+\theta)x_s - \beta_{k_s}^{(s)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{|k| \leq r+1} \partial^k \left((1+\theta)x_1 - \beta_{k_1}^{(1)}, \dots, (1+\theta)x_s - \beta_{k_s}^{(s)} \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{k!} \prod_{i=1}^s c \left(k_i; x_i - \alpha_0^{(i)}, x_i - \alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, x_i - \alpha_{k_i-1}^{(i)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

Obviously, the remainder in (1.2) is a special case of expression (3.14). ■

4 Kergin type interpolation

5 Algorithm on the computation of Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomials

In order to make (3.13) (or (3.9) really available, it needs to devise some algorithms for computing the Abel-Gontscharoff-Gould polynomials defined by (1.5). In this section we shall discuss the computation of the polynomials.

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