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## ON CONVERGENCE OF $(2, 1, \dots, 1)$ -PERIODIC BRANCHED CONTINUED FRACTION OF THE SPECIAL FORM

$(2, 1, \dots, 1)$ -periodic branched continued fraction of the special form is defined. Conditions of convergence are established for 2-periodic continued fraction and  $(2, 1, \dots, 1)$ -periodic branched continued fraction of the special form. Truncation error bounds are estimated for these fractions under additional conditions.

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### INTRODUCTION

Periodic continued fractions are an important subclass of continued fractions

$$b_0 + \overline{D}_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{b_k} = b_0 + \cfrac{a_1}{b_1 + \cfrac{a_2}{b_2 + \dots}} = b_0 + \frac{|a_1|}{|b_1|} + \frac{|a_2|}{|b_2|} + \dots, \quad (1)$$

where  $a_i, b_0, b_i \in \mathbb{C}; i \geq 1$ . A fraction (1) is called  $p$ -periodic, if its elements satisfy the following conditions:  $a_{pn+k} = a_k$  and  $b_{pn+k} = b_k$ ;  $n \geq 0$ ;  $1 \leq k \leq p$ ;  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . L. Euler, D. Bernoulli, E. Kahl, E. Galios, A. Pringsheim, W. Leighton, O. Perron, R. Lane, H. Wall, W. Jones, W. Thron, H. Waadeland, L. Loretzen, A. F. Beardon etc. investigated  $p$ -periodic fractions. The reviews of corresponding results can be found in [5–7]. It is known (see [5, p. 181]), that the set

$$\Omega = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\arg(z + 1/4)| < \pi\} \quad (2)$$

is the convergence set of the 1-periodic continued fraction

$$1 + \frac{|c|}{|1|} + \frac{|c|}{|1|} + \dots \quad (3)$$

Moreover, attracting and repelling fixed points of the linear fractional transformation  $t(\omega) = 1 + c/\omega$  are the points

$$x = (1 + \sqrt{1 + 4c})/2, \quad y = (1 - \sqrt{1 + 4c})/2. \quad (4)$$

In [5, p. 49] it is proved that the the following relations are valid for the fraction (3)

$$P_n = \frac{x^{n+2} - y^{n+2}}{x - y}, \quad Q_n = \frac{x^{n+1} - y^{n+1}}{x - y}, \quad n \geq 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P_n}{Q_n} = x. \quad (5)$$

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## 1 MAIN RESULTS

We consider the branched continued fraction (BCF) of the special form

$$1 + \overline{D}_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i_k=1}^{i_{k-1}} \frac{a_{i(k)}}{1}, \quad (6)$$

where  $a_{i(k)} \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $i(k) \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}$  is a set of multiindex,  $\mathcal{I} = \{i_1 i_2 \dots i_k : 1 \leq i_k \leq i_{k-1}; k \geq 1; i_0 = N\}$ ,  $N$  is a fixed natural number. Some results according to these BCF are in [3, 4].

Continued fraction

$$1 + a_{i(m)} \left( 1 + \overline{D}_{q=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{i(m+q)}}{1} \right)^{-1},$$

where  $i(m) \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $i_m = i_{m+q} = r$ ,  $q \geq 1$ , is called the  $i(m)$ -th branch of the  $r$ -th order of BCF (6).

**Definition.** A fraction (6) is called  $\vec{p}$ -periodic branched continued fraction of the special form, where  $\vec{p} = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N)$ ,  $p_j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $j = \overline{1, N}$ , if all  $i(m)$ -th branches are the identical  $p_{i_m}$ -periodic continued fraction for each fixed  $i_m$ .

Let BCF (6) be a  $\vec{p}$ -periodic fraction. Then its elements satisfy the following conditions

$$\underbrace{a_r \dots r}_q = \underbrace{a_r \dots r}_s \quad \text{or} \quad a_{i(m)} \underbrace{r \dots r}_q = \underbrace{a_r \dots r}_s, \quad (7)$$

where  $q \geq 1$ ;  $q = n \cdot p_r + s$ ;  $r = \overline{1, N}$ ;  $s = \overline{1, p_r}$ ;  $m \geq 1$ ;  $i(m) \in \mathcal{I}$ ;  $r < i_m$ ;  $n \geq 0$ . Each  $i(m)$ -th branch of the  $r$ -th order is called the  $r$ -th branch of such fraction.

We introduce the notation  $\underbrace{a_r \dots r}_s = c_{r,s}$  for elements of the fraction (6). Then  $\vec{p}$ -periodic BCF can be written as follows

$$1 + \overline{D}_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i_k=1}^{i_{k-1}} \frac{c_{i_k,s}}{1}. \quad (8)$$

We investigate the convergence of  $(2, 1, \dots, 1)$ -periodic BCF with  $N$  branches

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \dots}}}} + \frac{c_{2,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \dots}}}} + \frac{c_{2,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \dots}}} + \dots + \frac{c_{N,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \dots}}} + \frac{c_{2,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \dots}}} + \dots + \frac{c_{N,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \dots}}} + \dots + \frac{c_{N,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{1 + \dots}}}. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

For this we define tails of  $\vec{p}$ -periodic BCF (8) with initial conditions:  $R_0^{(q,j)} = 1$ ,  $q = \overline{1, N}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , and the recurrence relations

$$\begin{cases} R_n^{(1,s)} = 1 + \frac{c_{1,s}}{R_{n-1}^{(1,s+1)}}, & 1 \leq s \leq p_1, \\ R_n^{(q,s)} = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{c_{k,1}}{R_{n-1}^{(k,2)}} + \frac{c_{q,s}}{R_{n-1}^{(q,s+1)}}, & q = \overline{1, N}; 1 \leq s \leq p_q, \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

where  $n \geq 1$ ,  $p_q \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $q = \overline{1, N}$ . Then  $R_n^{(q,j)} = R_n^{(q,s)}$  and  $R_n^{(q,m)} = R_n^{(q-1,1)} + c_{q,m}/R_{n-1}^{(q,m+1)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $q = \overline{1, N}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq p_q - 1$ ,  $p_q \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Thus, the  $n$ -th approximants of BCF (8) are equal to  $F_n = R_n^{(N,1)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $F_0 = 1$ .

For investigation of truncation error bounds of the fraction (8) we have used a formula for  $n \geq 0$ ,  $m > 0$ , that had been proved in [1], such as

$$F_{n+m} - F_n = \sum_{\vec{k} \in \mathcal{I}_{n+1}^{(N)}} \frac{c_{1,1}^{k_{1,1}} c_{1,2}^{k_{1,2}} c_{2,1}^{k_{2,1}} \cdots c_{N,1}^{k_{N,1}}}{\prod_{j=1}^{k_1} (R_{m+l_1-j}^{(1,j+1)} \cdot R_{l_1-j}^{(1,j+1)}) \cdots \prod_{j=1}^{k_N} (R_{m+n-j}^{(N,1)} \cdot R_{n-j}^{(N,1)})}, \quad (11)$$

where  $\mathcal{I}_{n+1}^{(N)} := \{\vec{k} = (k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N) : k_1 = k_{1,1} + k_{1,2}; k_l \geq 0; l = \overline{1, N}; \sum_{l=1}^N k_l = n+1\}$ ,  $l_i = n - \sum_{t=i+1}^N k_t$ ,  $R_{-1}^{(q,j)} = 1$ ,  $q = \overline{1, N}$ ,  $j = \overline{1, p_q}$ ,  $p_1 = 2$ ,  $p_2 = \dots = p_N = 1$ ,  $k_{r,s}$  is defined in [3]. Now we consider the 2-periodic continued fraction

$$1 + \frac{|a|}{|1|} + \frac{|b|}{|1|} + \frac{|a|}{|1|} + \frac{|b|}{|1|} + \dots \quad (12)$$

Let  $\lambda = 1 + a + b$  and  $\lambda \neq 0$ . According to [5, Theorems 2.19, 2.20], [6, Theorem 1.6] we have that the even part and the odd part of the fraction (12) are equal to

$$1 + a \left( 1 + b + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{c_k}{d_k} \right)^{-1}, \quad 1 + a + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_k}{d_k}$$

respectively, where  $c_k = -ab$ ,  $d_k = 1 + a + b$ . Next, let  $P_\nu$ ,  $Q_\nu$  be the  $\nu$ -th nominator and the  $\nu$ -th denominator of 1-periodic continued fraction

$$1 + \frac{-ab/(1+a+b)^2}{|1|} + \frac{-ab/(1+a+b)^2}{|1|} + \dots, \quad \nu \geq 1. \quad (13)$$

Then, according to formulas (5), we have for  $k \geq 0$

$$P_k = \frac{\tilde{x}^{k+2} - \tilde{y}^{k+2}}{\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}}, \quad Q_k = \frac{\tilde{x}^{k+1} - \tilde{y}^{k+1}}{\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}},$$

where  $\tilde{x} = (1 + \sqrt{1 - 4ab/\lambda^2})/2$ ,  $\tilde{y} = (1 - \sqrt{1 - 4ab/\lambda^2})/2$ .

Let  $f_n^{(s)} = 1 + \sum_{k=s}^{n+s-1} \frac{a_k}{1}$  be the  $s$ -th tail of the fraction (12),  $n \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq s \leq n$ , where  $a_{2k-1} = a$ ,  $a_{2k} = b$ ,  $k \geq 1$ . Then the following formulas

$$f_{2\nu}^{(j)} = \frac{\lambda P_{\nu-1}}{-a_j Q_{\nu-1} + \lambda P_{\nu-1}}, \quad \nu > 0, \quad f_{2\nu+1}^{(j)} = \frac{-a_{j+1} Q_\nu + \lambda P_\nu}{Q_\nu}, \quad \nu \geq 0, \quad j = 1, 2,$$

are valid for the 1-st and 2-nd tails of 2-periodic continued fraction (12).

**Lemma.** Let the elements of 2-periodic fraction (12) satisfy the condition  $-ab/\lambda^2 \in \Omega$ , where  $\lambda = 1 + a + b$ ,  $\lambda \neq 0$ , and  $\Omega$  is defined by formula (2). Then:

1. the fraction (12) converges to value  $x = (1 + a - b + \lambda \sqrt{1 - 4ab/\lambda^2})/2$ ;

2. if  $f_{2k+1}^{(j)} \neq 0$ ,  $k \geq 0$ ,  $j = \overline{1, 2}$ , and  $| -a + \lambda P_k / Q_k | \geq \varepsilon_1 > 0$ ,  $k \geq 0$ , then truncation error bounds are valid

$$|f_n - x| \leq Cq^{[(n+1)/2]}, \quad n \geq 0, \quad (14)$$

where  $q = \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 4ab/\lambda^2}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4ab/\lambda^2}} \right| < 1$ ,  $C = \frac{|\tilde{x}| |\lambda| (1+q)^2}{(1-q)^2} \max \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon_2}, \frac{|a|}{\varepsilon_1^2} \right\}$ ,  $\varepsilon_2 = |b| + |\lambda|M$ ,  $M = |\tilde{x}|(1+q^2)/(1-q)$ ,  $\tilde{x} = (1 + \sqrt{1 - 4ab/\lambda^2})/2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $c = -ab/\lambda^2$ . Since  $c \in \Omega$ , then 1-periodic continued fraction (13) converges and its value is  $\tilde{x}$ , moreover  $|\tilde{x}| > |\tilde{y}|$ . Next, since  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} f_{2v+1} = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} f_{2v} = x$ . From this it follows that the fraction (12) converges and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n = x$ .

Since  $c \in \Omega$ , all approximants of the fraction (13) are not equal to zero. It follows that  $f_{2n}^{(j)} \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $j = \overline{1, 2}$ . For  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \geq 1$  we estimate the difference  $|f_{n+2m} - f_n|$ , using formula (11). By virtue of  $\left| \frac{P_k}{Q_k} \right| = \left| \frac{\tilde{x}^{k+2} - \tilde{y}^{k+2}}{\tilde{x}^{k+1} - \tilde{y}^{k+1}} \right| = |\tilde{x}| \left| \frac{1 - (\tilde{y}/\tilde{x})^{k+2}}{1 - (\tilde{y}/\tilde{x})^{k+1}} \right|$  for  $k \geq 0$  the following inequalities are valid  $\mu \leq |P_k/Q_k| \leq M$ , where  $\mu = |\tilde{x}|(1-q)$ , and  $| -b + \lambda P_k / Q_k | \leq \varepsilon_2$ .

Let  $n$  and  $k$  be arbitrary natural numbers, moreover  $n = 2r+1$ ,  $k = r+m$ ,  $r \geq 0$ ,  $m \geq 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{2k+1} - f_{2r+1}| &= \frac{|a|^{r+1} |b|^{r+1}}{\prod_{q=1}^{r+1} \left( |f_{2k-2q+2}^{(2)}| |f_{2k-2q+1}^{(1)}| |f_{2r+1-2q+1}^{(2)}| |f_{2r+1-2q}^{(1)}| \right)}, \\ \prod_{q=1}^{r+1} |f_{2(k-q+1)}^{(2)} f_{2(k-q)+1}^{(1)}| &= |\lambda|^{r+1} \left| \frac{P_{k-1}}{-bQ_{k-r} + \lambda P_{k-r}} \right| \geq |\lambda|^{r+1} |\tilde{x}|^r \frac{(1-q)}{(1+q)\varepsilon_2}, \\ \prod_{q=1}^{r+1} |f_{2(r-q+1)}^{(2)} f_{2(r-q)+1}^{(1)}| &= |\lambda|^r |P_{r-1}| \geq |\lambda|^r |\tilde{x}|^r \frac{1-q}{1+q}. \end{aligned}$$

From this, we have

$$|f_{2k+1} - f_{2r+1}| \leq \frac{(ab/\lambda^2)^{r+1} |\lambda| (1-q)^2}{|x|^{2r} (1+q)^2 M} = \frac{|\tilde{y}|^{r+1} |\tilde{x}|^{r+1} |\lambda| (1+q)^2}{|\tilde{x}|^{2r+1} (1-q)^2 M} = C_1 \left| \frac{\tilde{y}}{\tilde{x}} \right|^{r+1},$$

where  $C_1 = |\lambda| |x| (1+q)^2 / ((1-q)^2 M)$ .

Let  $n$  and  $k$  be arbitrary natural numbers, moreover  $n = 2r+1$ ,  $k = r+m$ ,  $r \geq 0$ ,  $m \geq 0$ . Then, by analogy we have

$$|f_{2k} - f_{2r}| \leq \frac{|a|^{r+1} |b|^r (1+q)^2}{|\lambda|^{2r} |\tilde{x}|^{2r-1} (1-q)^2 \varepsilon_1^2} = C_2 \left| \frac{\tilde{y}}{\tilde{x}} \right|^r, \quad C_2 = \frac{|a| |\tilde{x}| (1+q)^2}{(1-q)^2 \varepsilon_1^2}.$$

Finally, we obtain truncation error bounds (14) for  $m \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\square$

Now we consider the linear fractional transformation

$$t_1(\omega) = 1 + \frac{c_{1,1}}{1 + \frac{c_{1,2}}{\omega}}. \quad (15)$$

Let  $X_1$  be the attracting fixed point of this transformation,  $X_j$ ,  $Y_j$  be the attracting and repelling fixed points of  $t_j(\omega) = X_{j-1} + c_{j,1}/\omega$ ,  $j = \overline{2, N}$ . It is known in [5, p. 190], that

$$X_1 = \left( \lambda - 2c_{1,2} + \lambda \sqrt{1 - 4c_{1,1}c_{1,2}/\lambda^2} \right) / 2. \quad (16)$$

**Theorem.** Let  $\mu = -c_{1,1}c_{1,2}/\lambda^2$ ,  $\lambda = 1 + c_{1,1} + c_{1,2}$ ,  $\lambda \neq 0$ ,  $\mu \in \Omega_1$ , where  $\Omega_1$  is defined by the formula (2), and let the elements of the fraction (9) satisfy the following conditions  $c_{j,1} \in \Omega_j$ ,  $j = \overline{2, N}$ , where  $\Omega_j = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\arg(z + X_{j-1}^2/4)| < \pi\}$ . Then:

1. the fraction (9) converges and its value is  $F = X_N$ ;
2. moreover, if  $R_{2n+1}^{(j,1)} \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ ;  $| -c_{1,1} + \lambda P_k/Q_k | \geq \varepsilon_1 > 0$ ,  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$|c_{j,1}| < \frac{1}{4} \prod_{k=1}^{j-1} r_p, \quad j = \overline{2, N}, \quad (17)$$

where  $r_1 = |\lambda||\tilde{x}| \frac{(1-\rho_1)\varepsilon_1}{(1+\rho_1)\varepsilon_2}$ ,  $r_k = \nu_k^2$ ,  $\nu_k = (1+d_k)/2$ ,  $d_k = \sqrt{1-4|c_{k,1}|/\prod_{m=1}^{k-1} r_m}$ ,  $k = \overline{2, N}$ ,  $\tilde{x} = (1 + \sqrt{1-4c_{1,1}c_{1,2}/\lambda^2})/2$ ,  $\varepsilon_2 = |c_{1,2}| + |\lambda||\tilde{x}|(1+\rho_1^2)/(1-\rho_1)$ , then for  $n \geq 1$  the truncation error bounds are valid

$$|F_n - F| \leq L \cdot \binom{N-1}{N+n-1} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{\rho_1})^{n+1} - \rho^{n+1}}{\rho_1/\rho - \sqrt{\rho_1}}, \quad (18)$$

where  $\rho_1 = \left| \frac{1 - \sqrt{1-4c_{1,1}c_{1,2}/\lambda^2}}{1 + \sqrt{1-4c_{1,1}c_{1,2}/\lambda^2}} \right|$ ,  $\rho = \max_{j=\overline{2, N}} \{\rho_j\}$ ,  $\rho_j = \frac{1}{(1+d_j)^2}$ ,  $L = \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{M_j}{\nu_j^4}$ ,  $M_1 = \left( \frac{1+\rho_1}{1-\rho_1} \right)^2 \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_1 \rho_1}$ ,  $M_j = \max \left\{ 1, \frac{|c_{j,1}|}{\rho_j \prod_{m=1}^j \nu_m} \right\}$ ,  $\nu_1 = \min \left\{ \varepsilon_1, \frac{|\lambda||\tilde{x}|(1-\rho_1)}{2\varepsilon_2} \right\}$ ,  $j = \overline{2, N}$ .

*Proof.* By induction on  $q$  we prove the convergence of the sequence  $\{R_n^{(q,1)}\}_{n=1}^\infty$ ,  $q = \overline{1, N}$ .

For  $q = 1$  the convergence of the sequence  $\{R_n^{(1,1)}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  follows from Lemma, i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n^{(1,1)} = X_1$ , where  $X_1$  is defined by the formula (16). By induction hypothesis the following relations  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n^{(k,1)} = X_k$ ,  $X_k \neq 0$ ,  $Y_k \neq 0$ , hold for  $q = k$ , where  $2 \leq k \leq N-1$ . We write  $R_n^{(q,1)}$  for  $q = k+1$  and for the arbitrary natural  $n$  as follows

$$R_n^{(k+1,1)} = R_n^{(k,1)} + \frac{c_{k+1,1}}{|R_{n-1}^{(k,1)}|} + \dots + \frac{c_{k+1,1}}{|R_0^{(k,1)}|}.$$

Since  $c_{k+1,1} \in \Omega_{k+1}$ , the linear fractional transformation  $\hat{t}_{k+1}(\omega) = \frac{c_{k+1,1}/X_k^2}{1+\omega}$  is loxodromic and from (C) of the [5, Theorem 4.13] we have, that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n^{(k+1,1)} = X_{k+1}$ , where  $X_{k+1} = -y_{k+1}$  and  $y_{k+1}$  is the repelling fixed point of  $\hat{t}_{k+1}(\omega)$ . Next, since  $c_{k+1,1} \neq 0$ , then  $X_{k+1} \neq 0$ ,  $Y_{k+1} \neq 0$ . Hence,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n = X_N$ .

Let  $k$  and  $m$  be arbitrary integer numbers and  $1 \leq k \leq m$ ,  $m \geq 1$ ,  $k = [k_1/2]$ , where  $k_1$  is defined by the formula (11). By virtue of  $\lambda \neq 0$ ,  $R_n^{(1,2)} = f_n^{(2)}$  and  $R_n^{(1,1)} = f_n^{(1)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$\prod_{j=1}^k \left| R_{2\nu+1}^{(1,2)} \right| \left| R_{2\nu}^{(1,1)} \right| \geq |\lambda|^k \left| \frac{-c_{1,1}Q_\nu + \lambda P_\nu}{-c_{1,1}Q_{\nu-k} + \lambda P_{\nu-k}} \right| \geq |\lambda|^k |\tilde{x}|^k \frac{(1-\rho_1)\varepsilon_1}{(1+\rho_1)\varepsilon_2},$$

where  $\nu = (m+l_1)/2 - j$  and  $l_1$  is defined by formula (11). If  $\nu = (m+1-l_1)/2 - j$ , then

$$\prod_{j=1}^k \left| R_{2\nu+1}^{(1,2)} \right| \left| R_{2\nu}^{(1,1)} \right| \geq |\lambda|^k \left| \frac{-c_{1,1}Q_\nu + \lambda P_\nu}{-c_{1,1}Q_{\nu-k} + \lambda P_{\nu-k}} \right| \geq |\lambda|^k |\tilde{x}|^k.$$

Next, we have

$$\prod_{j=1}^k \frac{|c_{1,1}c_{1,2}|}{|R_{2m+l_1-2j+1}^{(1,j+1)} R_{2m+l_1-2j}^{(1,j+1)}||R_{l_1-2j+1}^{(1,j+1)} R_{l_1-2j}^{(1,j+1)}|} \leq \frac{1}{C^2} \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{|c_{1,1}c_{1,2}|/\lambda^2}{|\tilde{x}|^2} = M_1 \left| \frac{\tilde{y}}{\tilde{x}} \right|^k.$$

Moreover, according to Lemma the inequality  $|R_n^{(1)}| \geq \nu_1$  holds.

Let  $n$  be arbitrary natural number. By induction on  $q$  we prove that the following inequalities are valid

$$|R_n^{(q,1)}| \geq \prod_{j=1}^q \nu_j, \quad q = \overline{2, N}. \quad (19)$$

For  $q = 2$  we can write the tail  $R_n^{(2,1)}$  in the form

$$R_n^{(2,1)} = R_n^{(1,1)} + \frac{c_{2,1}|}{|R_{n-1}^{(1,1)}|} + \dots + \frac{c_{2,1}|}{|R_0^{(1,1)}|} = R_n^{(1,1)} h_n^{(2,1)}, \quad n \geq 1,$$

where for  $r = 2$  and

$$h_n^{(r,1)} = 1 + \frac{c_{r,1}/R_n^{(r-1,1)} R_{n-1}^{(r-1,1)}}{|1|} + \frac{c_{r,1}/R_{n-1}^{(r-1,1)} R_{n-2}^{(r-1,1)}}{|1|} + \dots + \frac{c_{r,1}/R_1^{(r-1,1)} R_0^{(r-1,1)}}{|1|}. \quad (20)$$

From [2, Lemma 2] it follows: if elements of the reversed fractions  $h_n^{(2,1)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , satisfy the condition  $|a_n| < |a| < 1/4$ , then the inequality  $|h_n^{(2,1)}| \geq \nu_2$  holds. From this we have  $\left| \frac{c_{2,1}}{R_n^{(1,1)} R_{n-1}^{(1,1)}} \right| < \frac{|c_{2,1}|}{r_1} < \frac{1}{4}$ . Thus the inequality  $|h_n^{(2,1)}| \geq \nu_2$  is valid. Moreover,  $|R_n^{(2,1)}| \geq \nu_1 \nu_2$ .

By induction hypothesis the inequalities (19) hold for  $q = s$ , where  $3 \leq s \leq N - 1$ . We write  $R_n^{(q,1)}$  for  $q = s + 1$  as follows

$$R_n^{(s+1,1)} = R_n^{(s,1)} + \frac{c_{s+1,1}|}{|R_{n-1}^{(s,1)}|} + \dots + \frac{c_{s+1,1}|}{|R_0^{(s+1,1)}|} = R_n^{(s,1)} h_n^{(s+1,1)}, \quad n \geq 1,$$

where  $h_n^{(s+1,1)}$  is reversed continued fraction, that is defined by the formula (20). Its elements satisfy the conditions  $\left| \frac{c_{s+1,1}}{R_n^{(s,1)} R_{n-1}^{(s,1)}} \right| < \frac{|c_{s+1,1}|}{\prod_{j=1}^q r_j} < \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $r_j = \nu_j^2$ . Thus, we have  $|h_n^{(s+1,1)}| \geq \nu_{s+1}$ , moreover, the following relations hold

$$\left| R_n^{(s+1,1)} \right| = \left| R_n^{(s,1)} \right| |h_n^{(s+1,1)}| > \prod_{j=1}^{s+1} \nu_j.$$

To prove the inequality (18) we have to estimate the following relations

$$\prod_{r=1}^{k_j} \frac{|c_{j,1}|}{|R_{l_j+2m-r}^{(j,1)} R_{l_j-r}^{(j,1)}|} = M_j \prod_{r=1}^{[k_j/2]} \frac{|c_{j,1}|}{|R_{l_j+2m-2r+1}^{(j,1)} R_{l_j+2m-2r}^{(j,1)}|} \cdot \prod_{r=1}^{[k_j/2]} \frac{|c_{j,1}|}{|R_{l_j-2r+1}^{(j,1)} R_{l_j-2r}^{(j,1)}|}, \quad j = \overline{2, N},$$

where  $k_j$  is defined by the formula (11). Since for the arbitrary natural  $n$

$$\frac{|c_{j,1}|}{|R_n^{(j,1)} R_{n-1}^{(j,1)}|} = \frac{|c_{j,1}| / |R_n^{(j-1,1)} R_{n-1}^{(j-1,1)}|}{|h_n^{(j,1)} h_{n-1}^{(j,1)}|} < \frac{1/4}{\nu_j^2} = \frac{1}{(1+d_j)^2} = \rho_j, \quad j = \overline{2, N},$$

then for  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \geq 1$

$$|F_{n+2m} - F_n| \leq \sum_{k_1=0}^{n+1} \rho_1^{[k_1/2]} \rho^{n+1-k_1} \leq L \cdot \binom{N-1}{N+n-1} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{\rho_1})^{n+1} - \rho^{n+1}}{\rho_1/\rho - \sqrt{\rho_1}}.$$

Finally, we obtain the truncation error bounds (18) for  $m \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\square$

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Означенено (2, 1, ..., 1)-періодичний гіллястий ланцюговий дріб спеціального вигляду. Доведено ознаки збіжності 2-періодичного неперервного дробу та (2, 1, ..., 1)-періодичного дробу гіллястого ланцюгового дробу спеціального вигляду. Встановлено оцінку швидкості збіжності цього дробу при додаткових умовах.

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